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# Allo CAR-T

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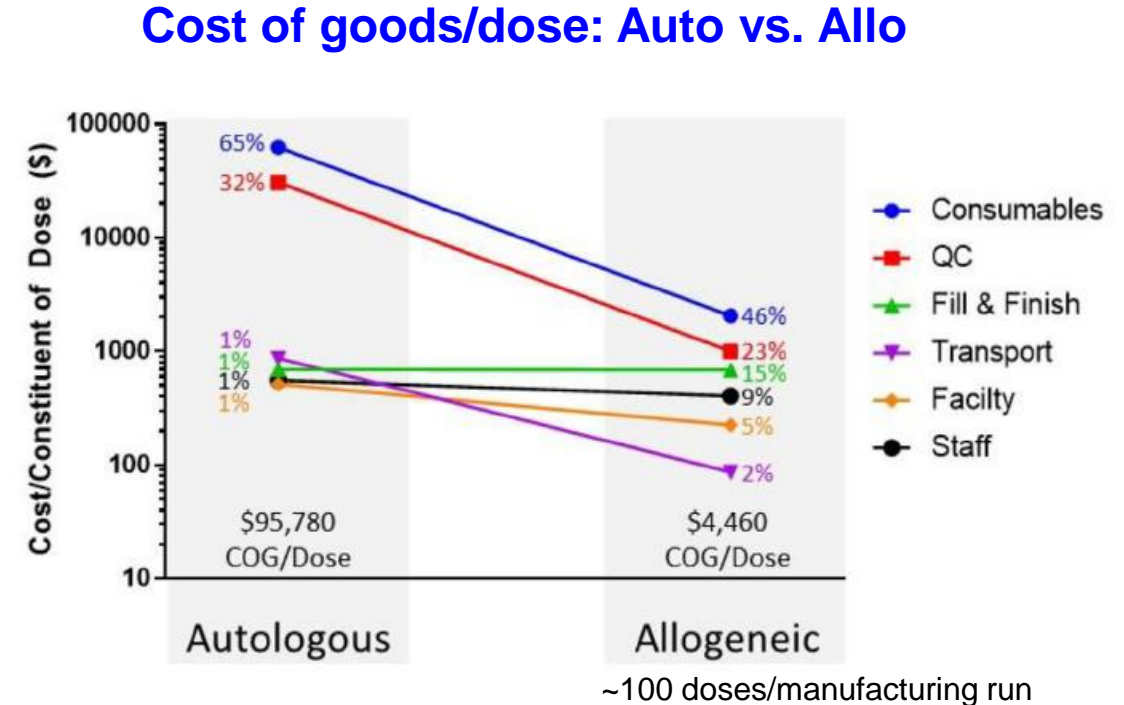
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# Rationale for allogeneic CAR T-cell therapy

- Potential to improve **efficacy** as the T-cell fitness is expected to be better than autologous products
- **Consistent** product quality
- **No wait period** as they are off-the-shelf
- Improve **access** at non-transplant centers
- Potential to **lower the cost** of CAR T-cell therapy
- Long-term B-cell aplasia and hypogammaglobulinemia less likely
- Long-term risk of insertional mutagenesis less likely

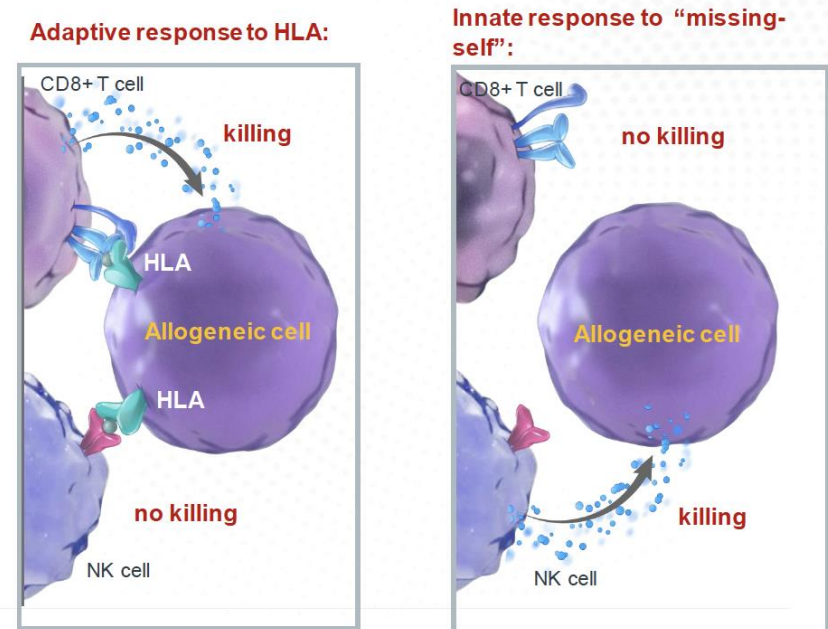


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# Challenges for allogeneic CAR T-cell therapy

- GVHD
  - Mediated by  $\alpha\beta$  T cells
  - May be overcome by TCR knock-out or by using alternative cell types such as NK cells, NKT,  $\gamma\delta$  T cells
- Graft rejection
  - Mediated by  $\alpha\beta$  T cells and NK cells

## Graft rejection by T and NK cells



# Allogeneic CAR-T with intensified lymphodepletion

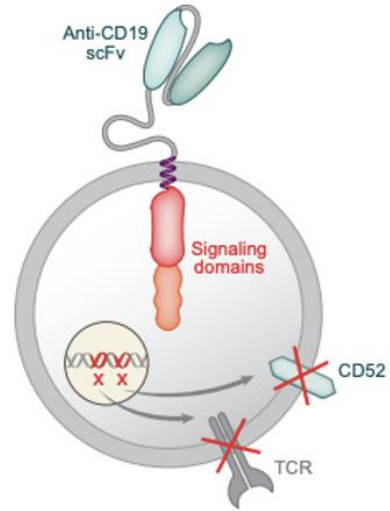
***'Brute force approach' for immune evasion:*** Eliminate host T cells and NK cells for few weeks to allow allo CAR T cells to expand and mediate antitumor effects

Product / Sponsor	Cell type	CAR Target	GVHD prevention	Allorejection strategy	Additional comments
<b>ALLO-501/A</b> Allogene	$\alpha\beta$ T cells	CD19	TCR KO (TALEN)	Anti-CD52 Ab + Standard Cy/Flu	CD52 KO
<b>PBCAR0191</b> Precision Bio	$\alpha\beta$ T cells	CD19	TCR KO (ARCUS)	Enhanced Cy/Flu	
<b>CB-010</b> Caribou Biosciences	$\alpha\beta$ T cells	CD19	TCR KO (Cas9 chRNDA)	High-dose Cy/Flu	PD1 KO
<b>ADI-001</b> Adicet Bio	$\gamma\delta$ T cells	CD20	Cell type	Enhanced Cy/Flu	

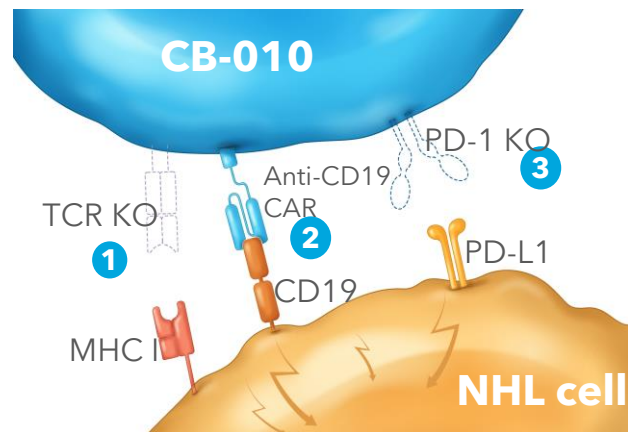
# Allogeneic CAR T products in NHL

(GVHD prevention but no built-in immune evasion)

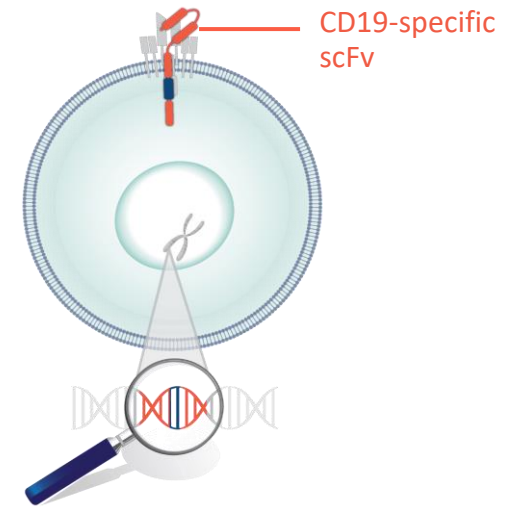
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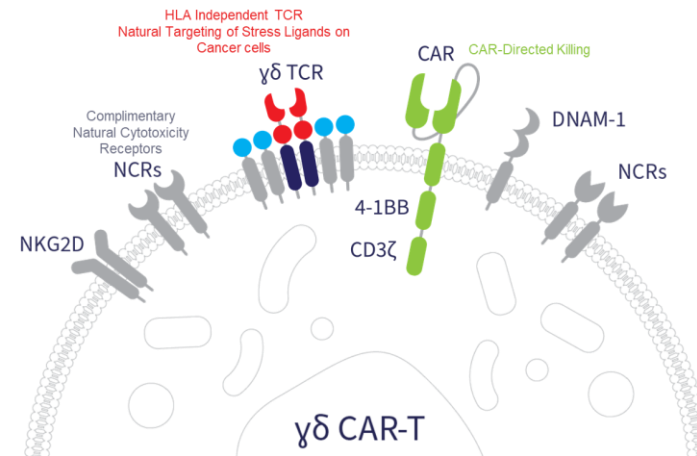
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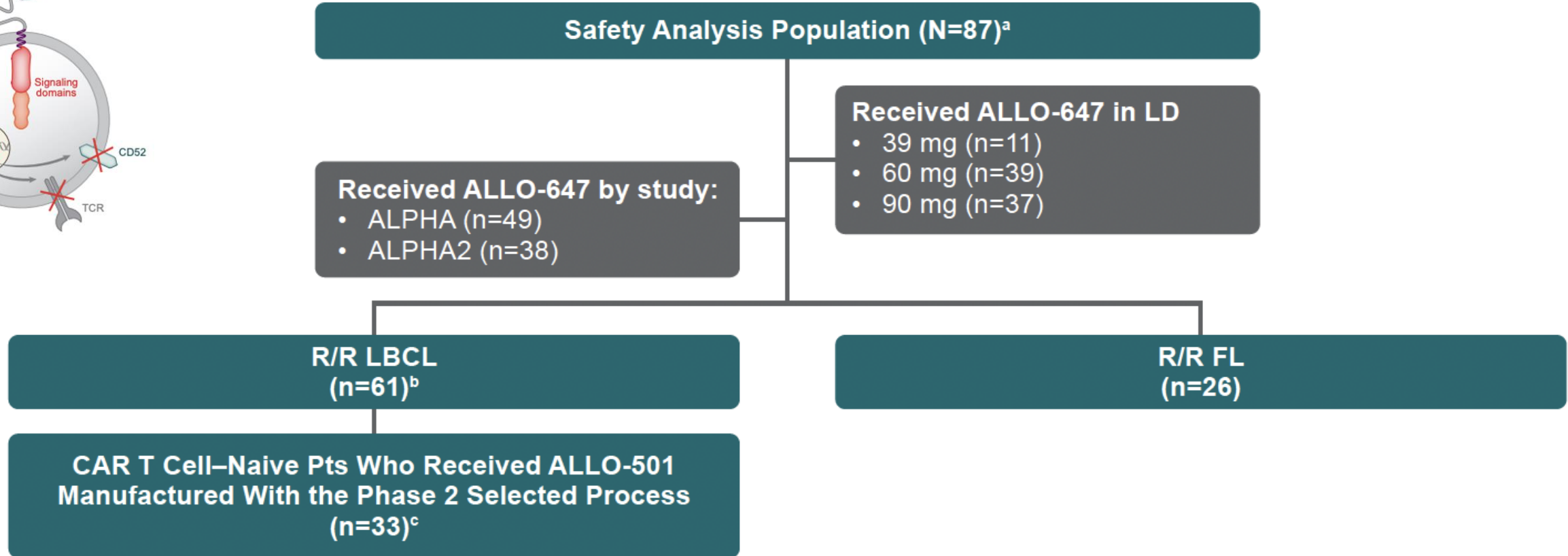
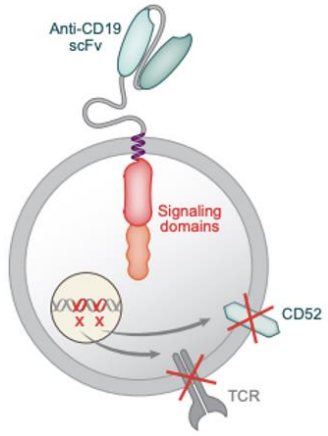
**PBCAR0191**



**ADI-001**



# ALPHA 1&2 Studies: Patient disposition



# ALPHA 1&2 Studies: Baseline characteristics

Characteristic	All (N=87)	LBCL		FL (n=26)
		All LBCL (n=61)	CAR T Cell–Naive Pts Who Received ALLO-501/501A Manufactured With the Phase 2 Selected Process (n=33)	
Median age, years (range)	64 (31-77)	64 (31-76)	66 (31-76)	64 (34-77)
Stage IV disease, n (%)	51 (59)	40 (66)	19 (58)	11 (42)
ECOG PS 1, n (%)	61 (70)	48 (79)	26 (79)	13 (50)
Baseline LDH >ULN, n (%)	54 (62)	44 (72)	22 (67)	10 (38)
IPI score 3-5, n (%)	43 (49)	35 (57)	19 (58)	8 (31)
Germinal center subtype, n (%)	42 (48)	38 (62)	18 (55)	4 (15)
Double or triple hit, n (%)	23 (26)	20 (33)	10 (30)	3 (12)
Median number of prior regimens, n (range)	3 (2-12)	3 (2-9)	3 (2-8)	4 (2-12)
Prior autologous transplant, n (%)	6 (7)	6 (10)	3 (9)	0
Extranodal disease, n (%)	48 (55)	36 (59)	19 (58)	12 (46)



# ALPHA 1&2 Studies: Safety

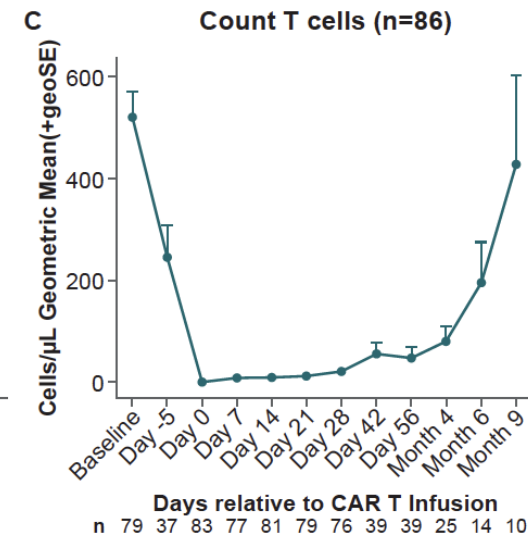
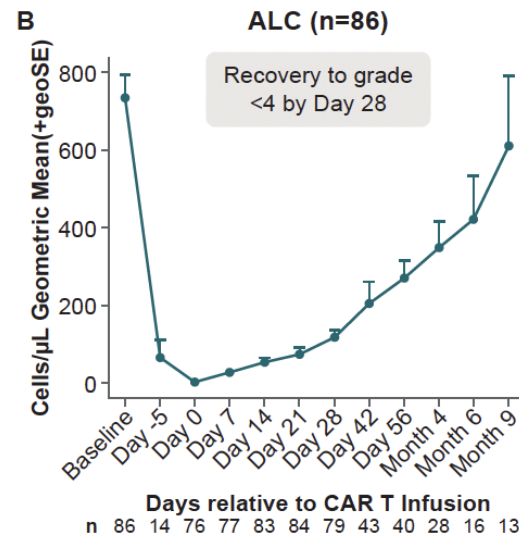
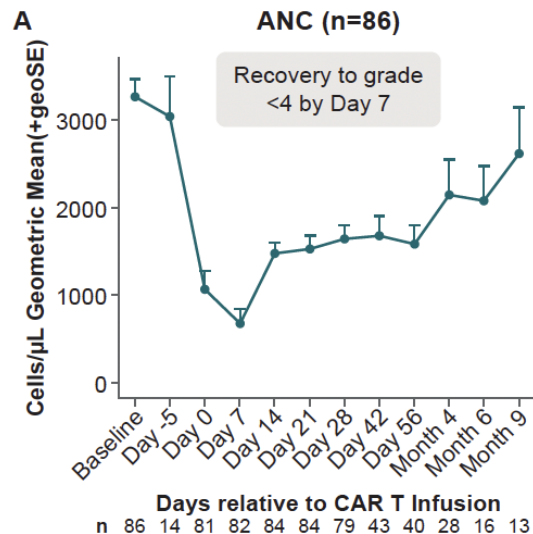
TEAEs, n (%)	All (N=87)		LBCL				FL (n=26)	
			All LBCL (n=61)		CAR T Cell–Naive Pts Who Received ALLO-501/501A Manufactured With the Phase 2 Selected Process (n=33)			
	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3
<b>CRS</b>	21 (24)	1 (1)	17 (28)	1 (2)	8 (24)	0	4 (15)	0
<b>ICANS</b>	1 (1)	0	1 (2)	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Neurotoxicity</b>	24 (28)	3 (3)	19 (31)	3 (5)	13 (39)	2 (6)	5 (19)	0
<b>GvHD</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>IRR</b>	48 (55)	5 (6)	31 (51)	4 (7)	16 (48)	3 (9)	17 (65)	1 (4)
<b>Infections</b>	50 (57)	18 (21)	34 (56)	13 (21)	19 (58)	5 (15)	16 (62)	5 (19)

# ALPHA 1&2 Studies: Infections (>5% Any grade)

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	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3	Any Grade	Grade ≥3
<b>Viral infections</b>	34 (39)	12 (14)	22 (36)	9 (15)	13 (39)	4 (12)	12 (46)	3 (12) <sup>a</sup>
CMV	22 (25)	8 (9)	16 (26)	7 (11)	10 (30)	4 (12)	6 (23)	1 (4)
COVID-19	5 (6)	1 (1)	2 (3)	1 (2)	2 (6)	1 (3)	3 (12)	0
<b>Other infections</b>	25 (29)	12 (14) <sup>b</sup>	16 (26)	8 (13)	8 (24)	5 (15)	9 (35)	4 (15) <sup>b</sup>
Pneumonia	8 (9)	6 (7) <sup>b</sup>	4 (7)	4 (7)	4 (12)	3 (9)	4 (15)	3 (12) <sup>b</sup>
Sepsis	5 (6)	5 (6)	4 (7)	3 (5)	2 (6)	2 (6)	1 (4)	1 (4)
<b>Bacterial infections</b>	10 (11)	4 (5)	9 (15)	4 (7)	3 (9)	2 (6)	1 (4)	0
<b>Fungal infections</b>	7 (8)	2 (2)	5 (8)	1 (2)	2 (6)	0	2 (8)	1 (4)

# ALPHA 1&2 Studies: Prolonged cytopenias (Grade $\geq 3$ )

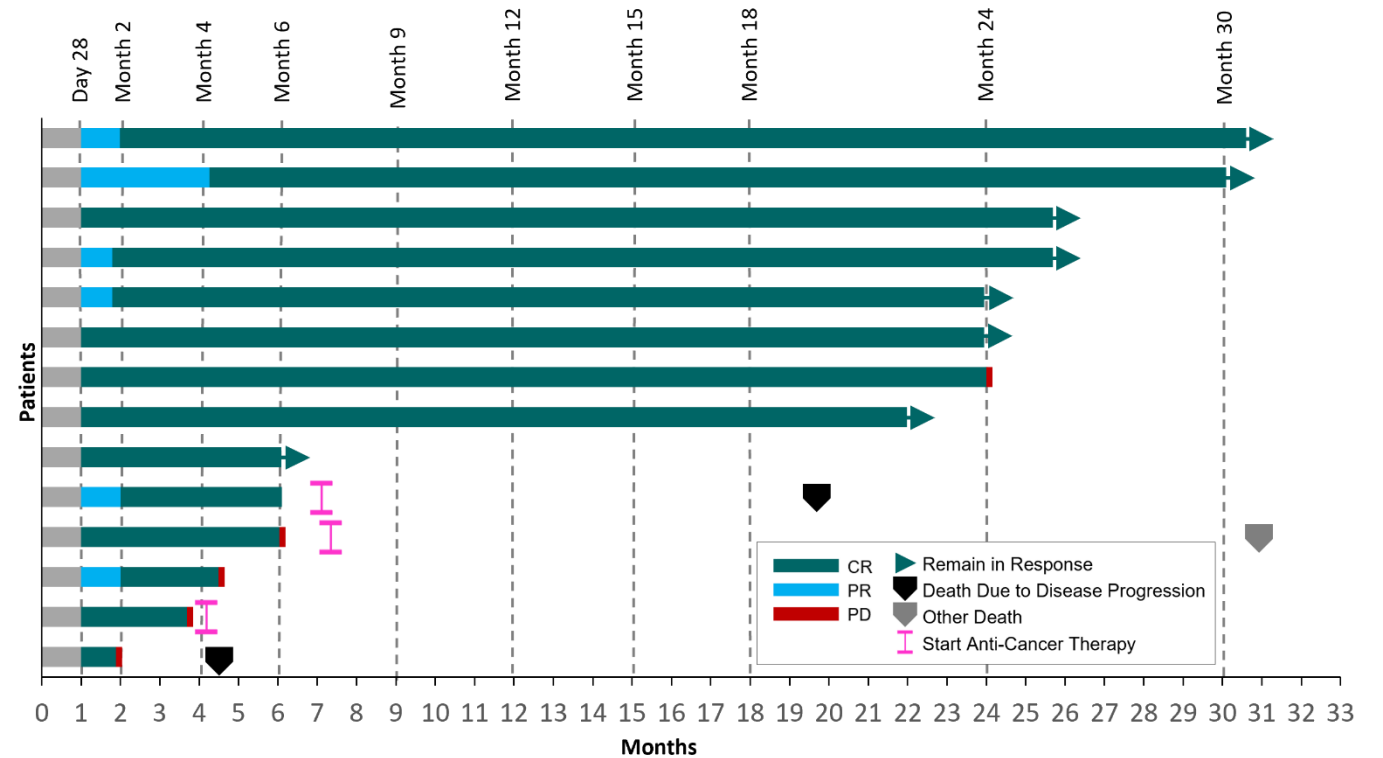
Time	All (N=87)	LBCL		FL (n=26)
		All LBCL (n=61)	CAR T Cell-Naive Pts Who Received ALLO-501/501A Manufactured With the Phase 2 Selected Process (n=33)	
Day 28, n (%)	25 (29)	20 (33)	11 (33)	5 (19)
Day 56, n (%)	17 (20)	14 (23)	7 (21)	3 (12)
Day 121 (Month 4), n (%)	13 (15)	11 (18)	6 (18)	2 (8)



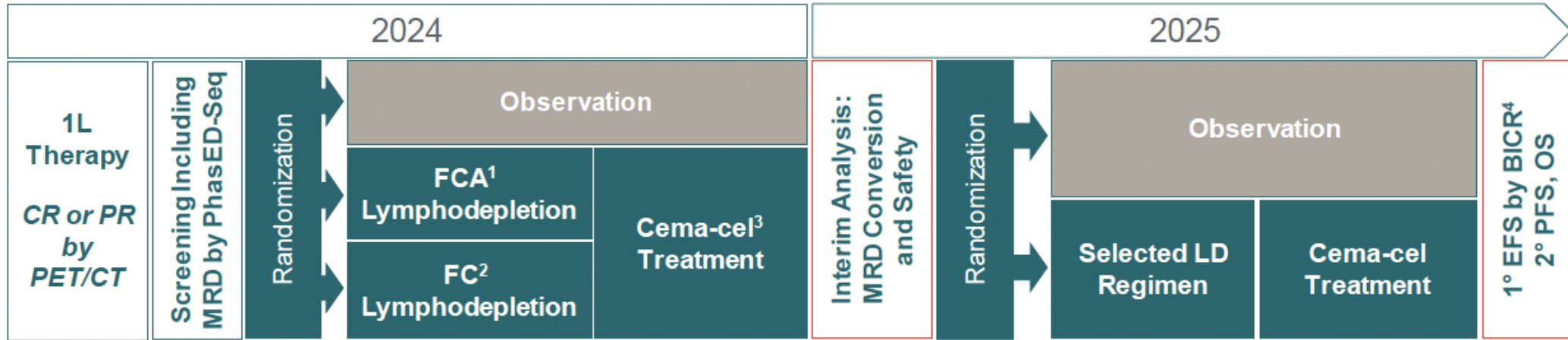
# ALPHA 1&2 Studies: Efficacy

## CAR naïve LBCL

	All (N=33)	Phase 2 Regimen (N=12)
ORR, n (%)	19 (58)	8 (67)
CRR, n (%)	14 (42)	7 (58)
6 months CRR*, n (%)	10 (30)	5 (42)



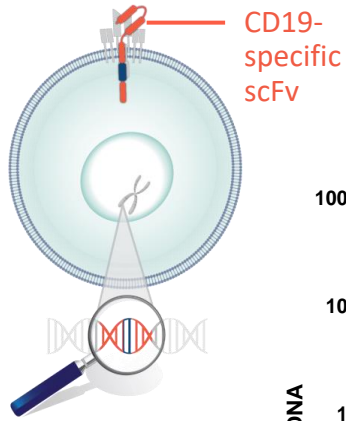
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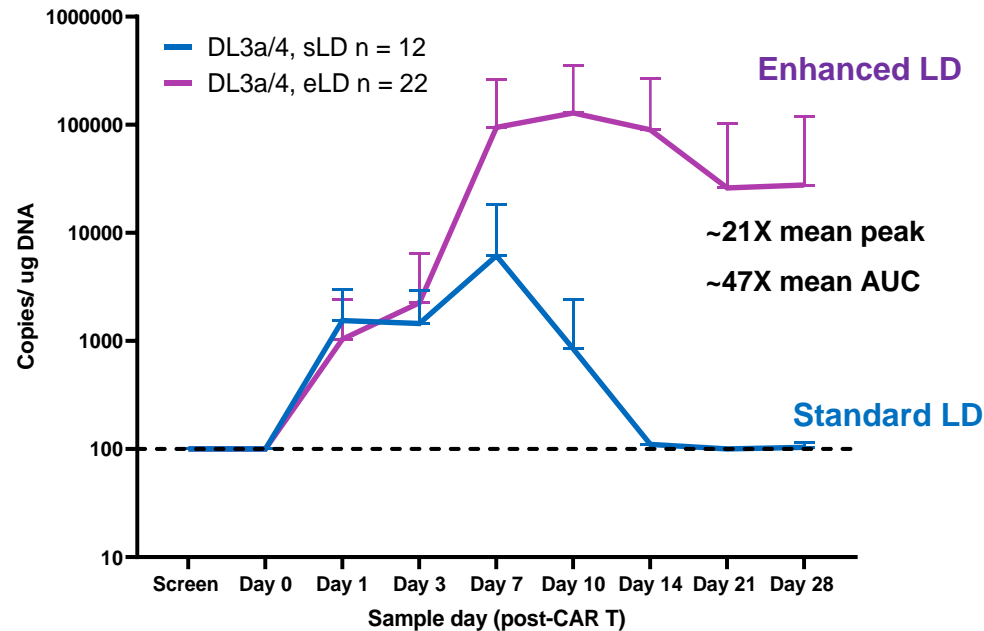
## ALPHA3 Startup Underway, Enrollment Projected to Commence Mid-2024

- All LBCL potentially eligible: no upfront risk assessment (e.g., IPI score, double-hit, HGBCL)
- Approximately 110 patients in observation and treatment arms
  - All patients treated with “Selected LD Regimen” during LD selection will count toward pivotal sample
  - Continuous enrollment planned, no pause in enrollment for LD regimen selection
- Expected median time to EFS in observation arm ~8 months

# PBCAR0191: Safety, efficacy, and cellular kinetics in r/r LBCL

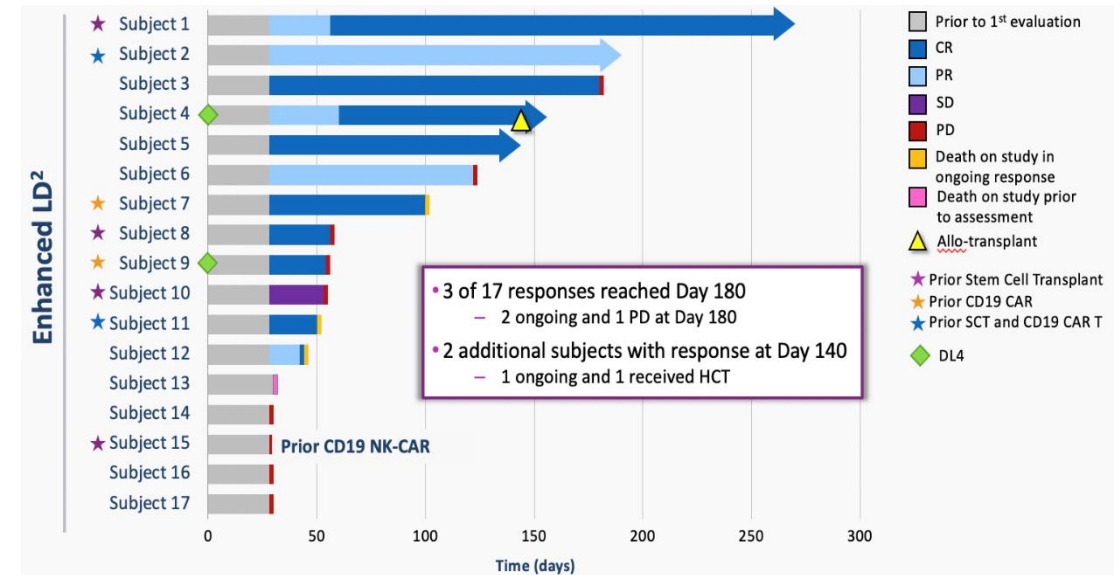


## PBCAR0191 (CD19 $\alpha\beta$ CAR)



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ORR/CR rate % = 69/56



- No GvHD, Grade  $\geq 3$  NE or CRS
- Higher rate of grade  $\geq 3$  infections with enhanced LD

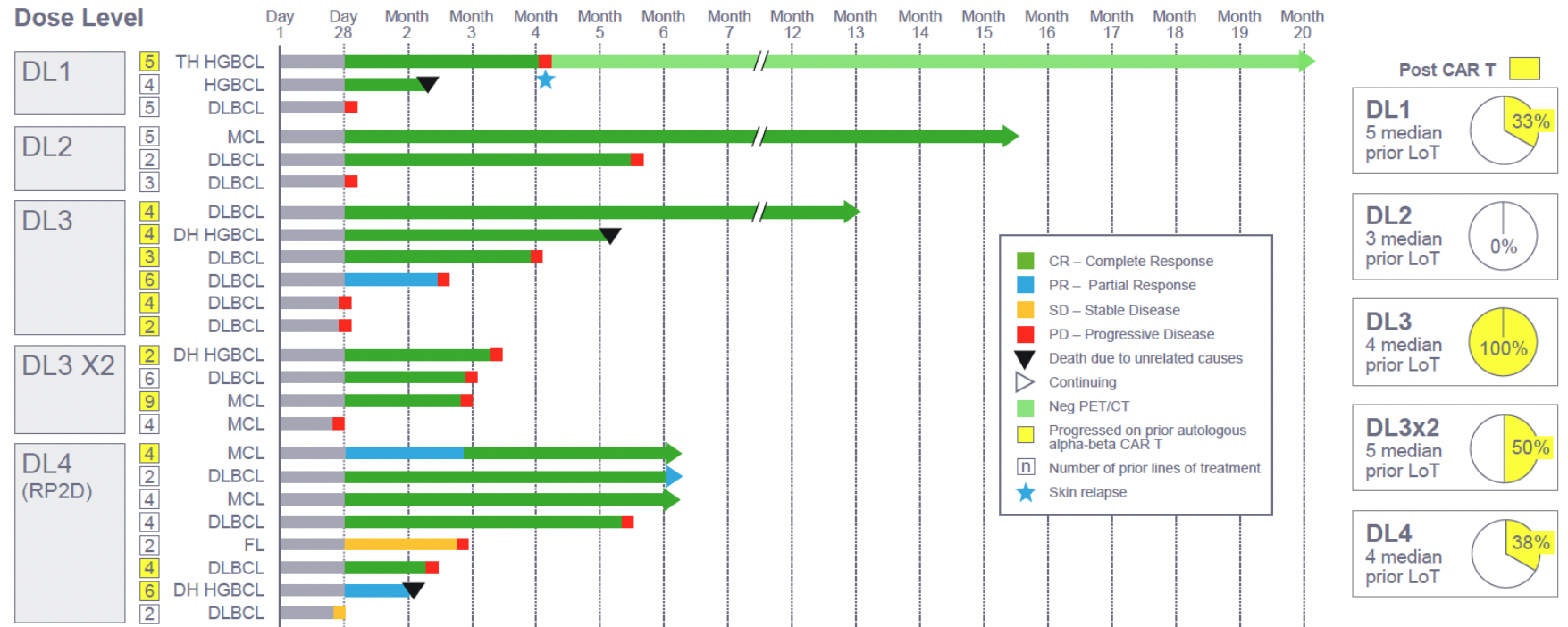
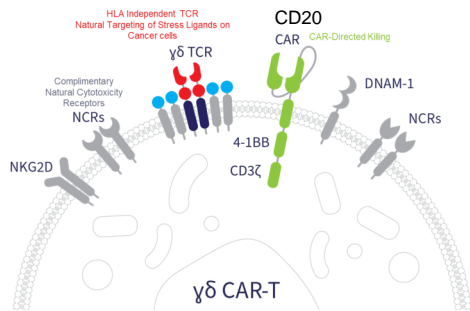
# ADI-001: Safety and efficacy

**N = 24**

**ORR = 71%; CR rate = 63%**

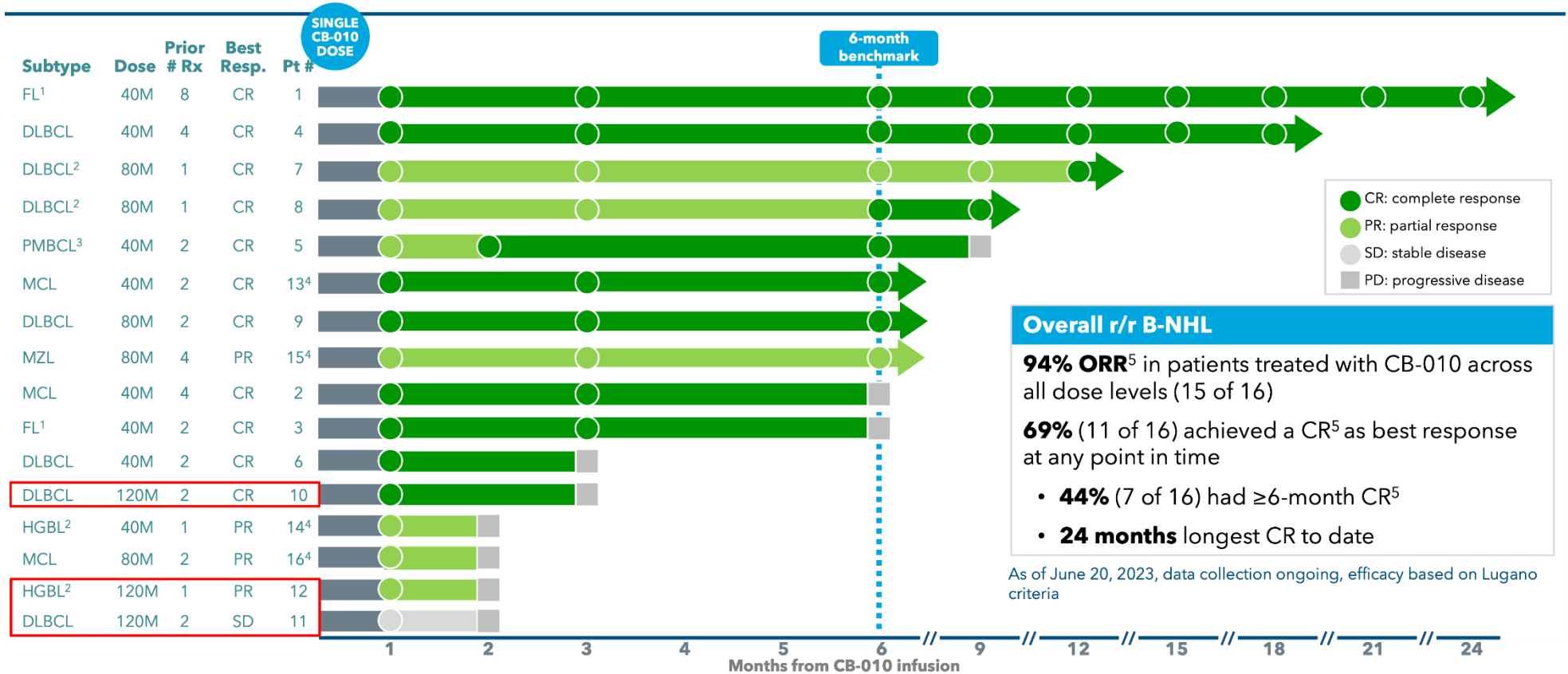
**6-month CR rate – 33% at DL4**

- **Grade  $\geq 3$  CRS = 4%**
- **Grade  $\geq 3$  ICANS = 4%**
- **No GVHD**





# CB-010: Efficacy





# Allogeneic CAR-T with hypoimmune strategy

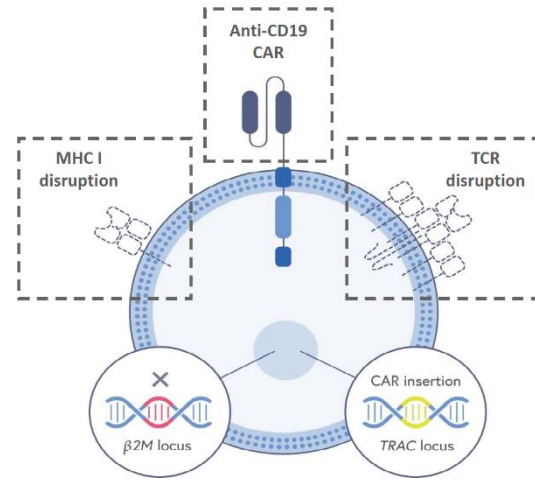
***'Refined approach' for immune evasion:*** Make the allo CAR T cells invisible to host T and/or NK cells to allow their expansion and mediate antitumor effects

Product / Sponsor	Cell type	CAR Target	GVHD prevention	Allorejection strategy	Additional comments
<b>CTX110</b> CRISPR Therapeutics	$\alpha\beta$ T cells	CD19	TCR KO	B2M KO	Standard Cy/Flu
<b>CTX130</b> CRISPR Therapeutics	$\alpha\beta$ T cells	CD70	TCR KO	B2M KO	Standard Cy/Flu CD70 KO
<b>KUR-502</b> Athenex	iNKT cells	CD19	Cell type	B2M & CD74 down regulation	Standard Cy/Flu IL-15 transgene
<b>CNTY-101</b> Century Therapeutics	iPSC CAR NK	CD19	Cell type	B2M KO, CIITA KO, & HLA-E overexpression	Standard Cy/Flu IL-15 transgene
<b>SC291</b> Sana Biotechnology	$\alpha\beta$ T cells	CD19	TCR KO	B2M KO, CIITA KO, & CD47 overexpression	Standard Cy/Flu

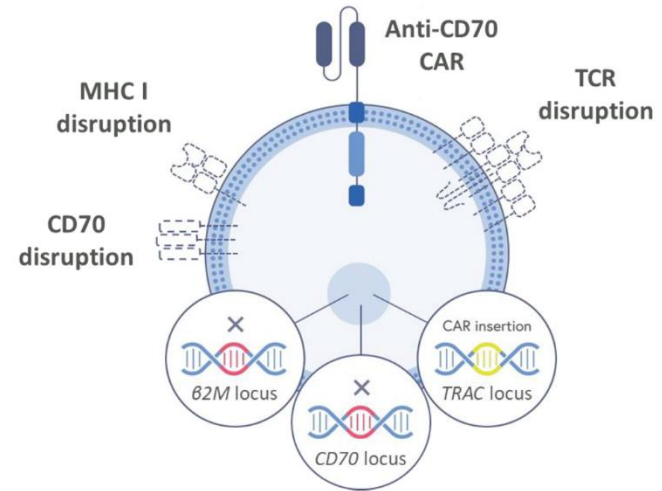
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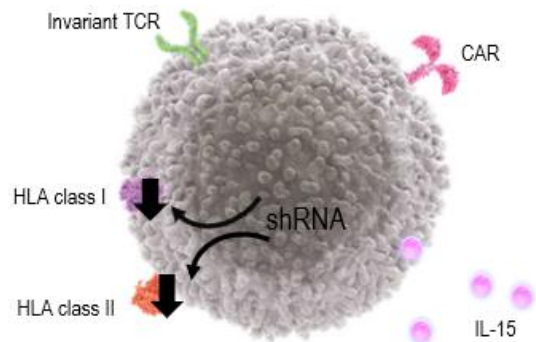
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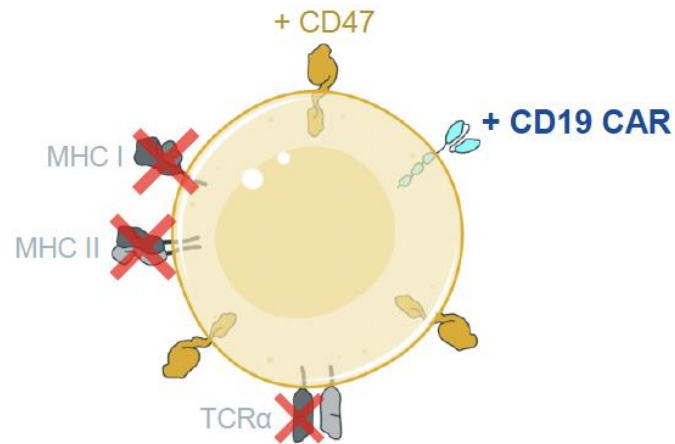
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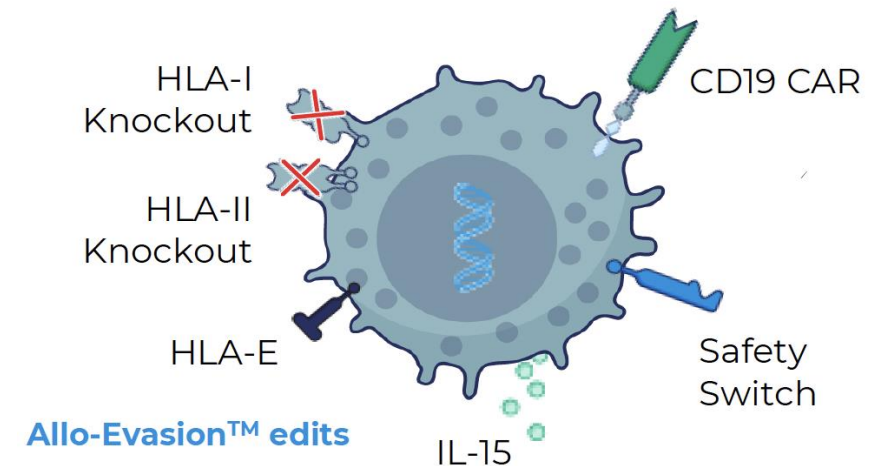
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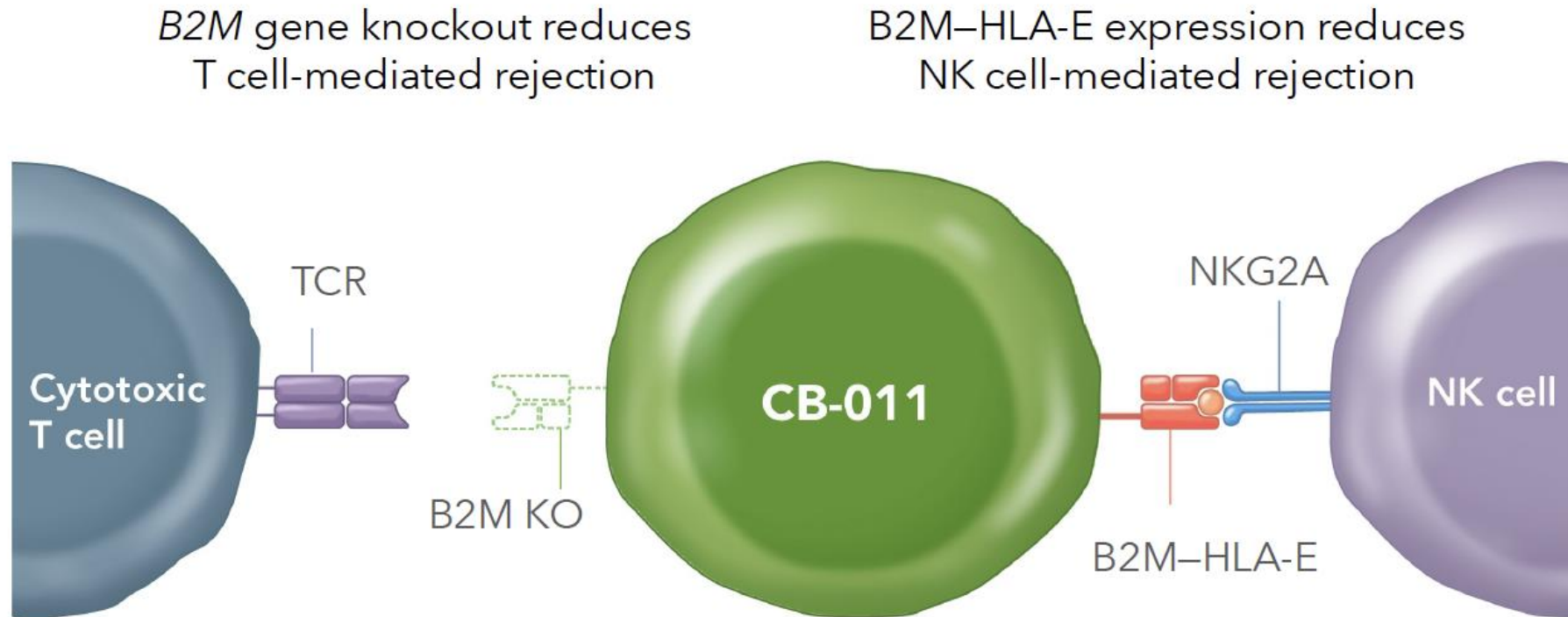
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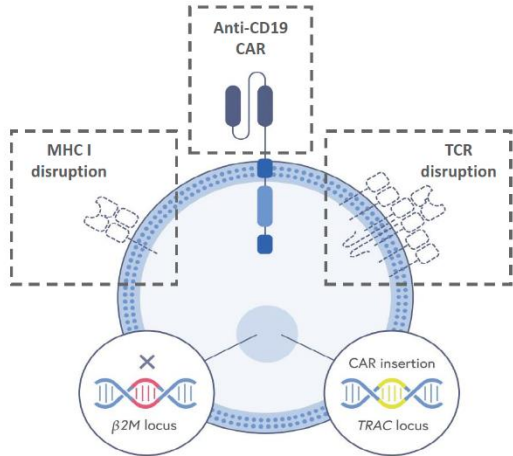
### CNTY-101



# Immune evasion of host T and NK cells

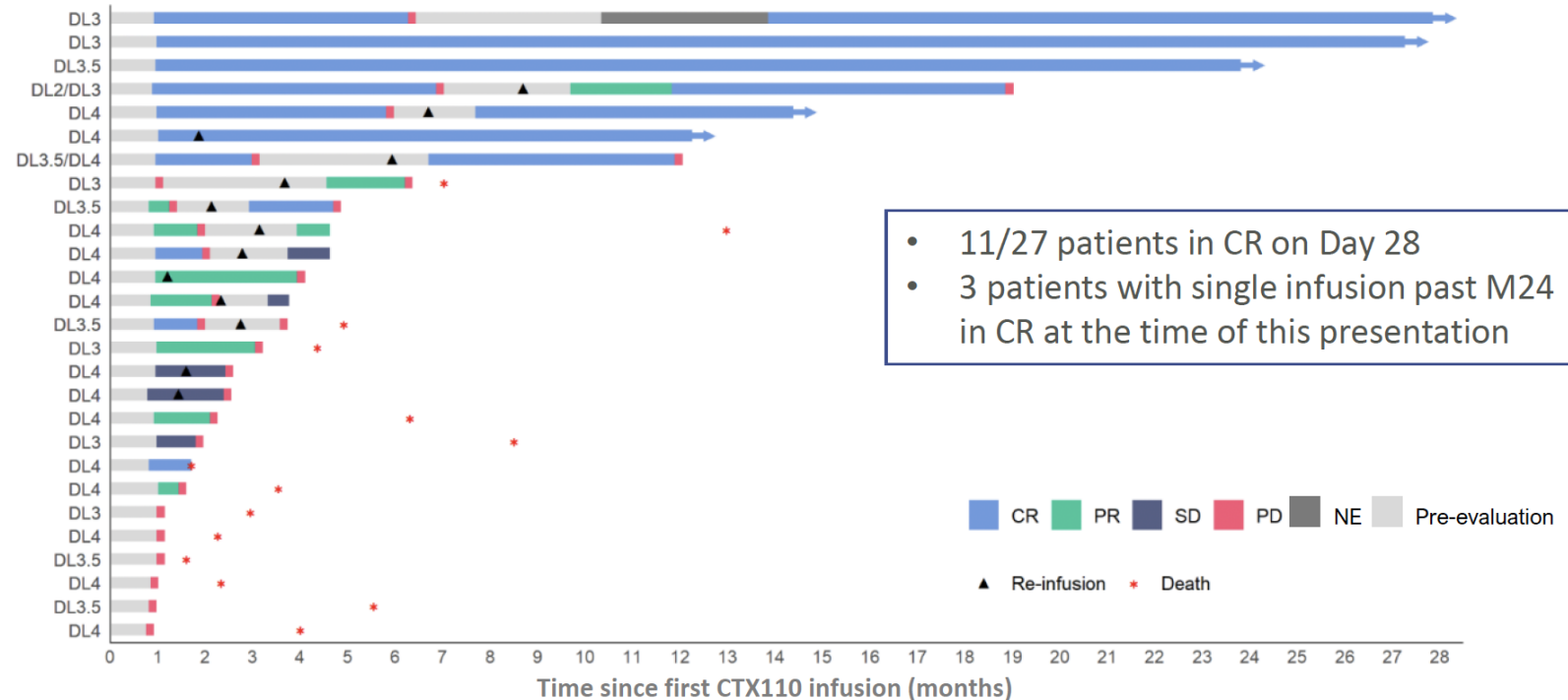


# CTX110: Safety and efficacy in LBCL



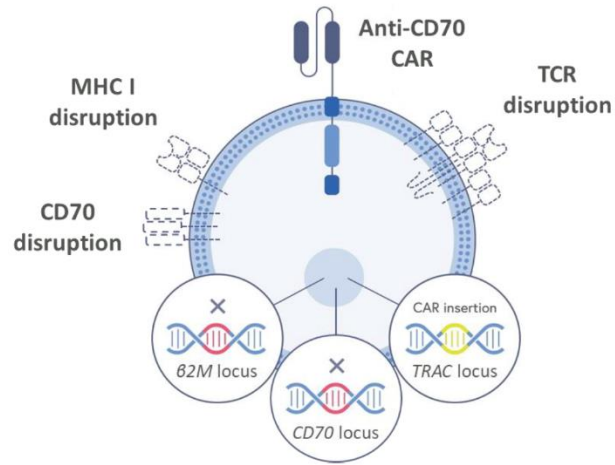
Cell dose (CAR+ T cells)	DL1-DL2 30-100x10 <sup>6</sup> N=6 <sup>2</sup>	DL3 300x10 <sup>6</sup> N=6	DL3.5 450x10 <sup>6</sup> N=6	DL4 600x10 <sup>6</sup> N=14	≥1 Infusion at DL≥3 N=27
<b>Overall Response Rate (ORR), n (%)</b>	1 (0.16)	4 (66.7)	4 (66.7)	9 (64.3)	18 (66.7)
<b>CR</b>	1 (0.16)	2 (33.3)	4 (66.7)	4 (28.6)	11 (40.7)
<b>PR</b>	0	2 (33.3)	0	5 (35.7)	7 (25.9)

- **No grade ≥3 CRS**
- **Grade ≥3 ICANS = 6%**
- **No GVHD**



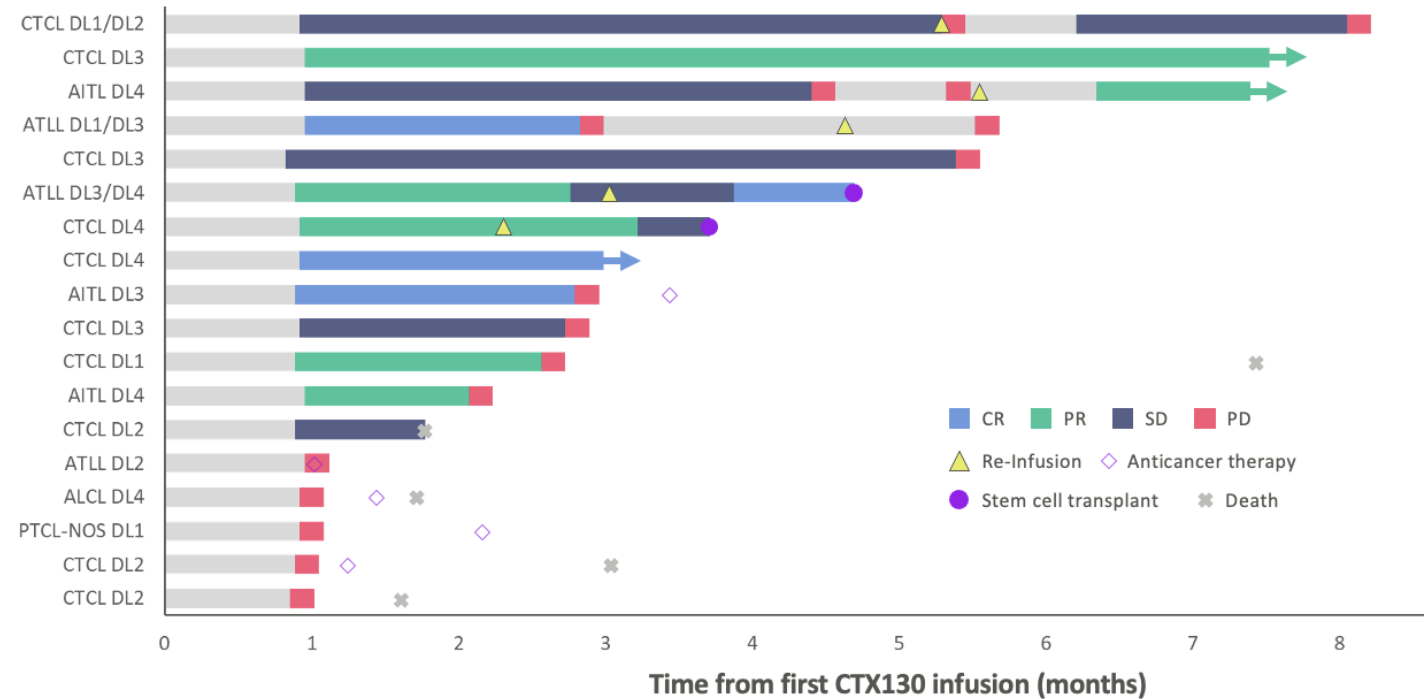
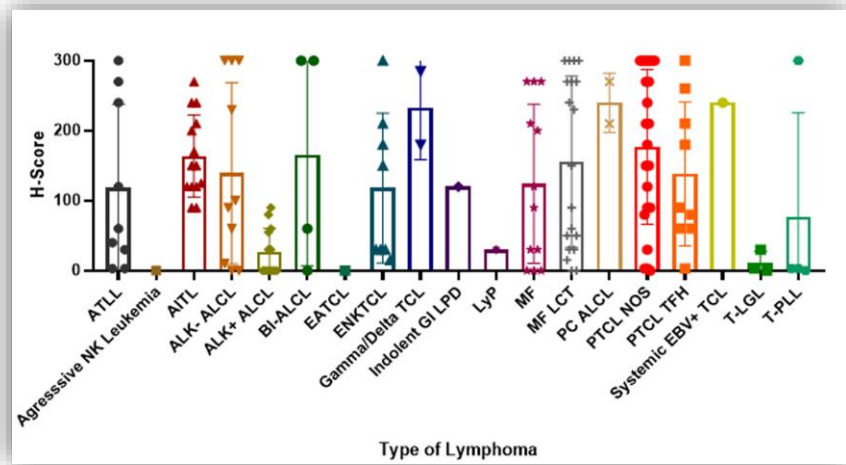
- 11/27 patients in CR on Day 28
- 3 patients with single infusion past M24 in CR at the time of this presentation

# CTX130: Safety and efficacy in T cell lymphomas

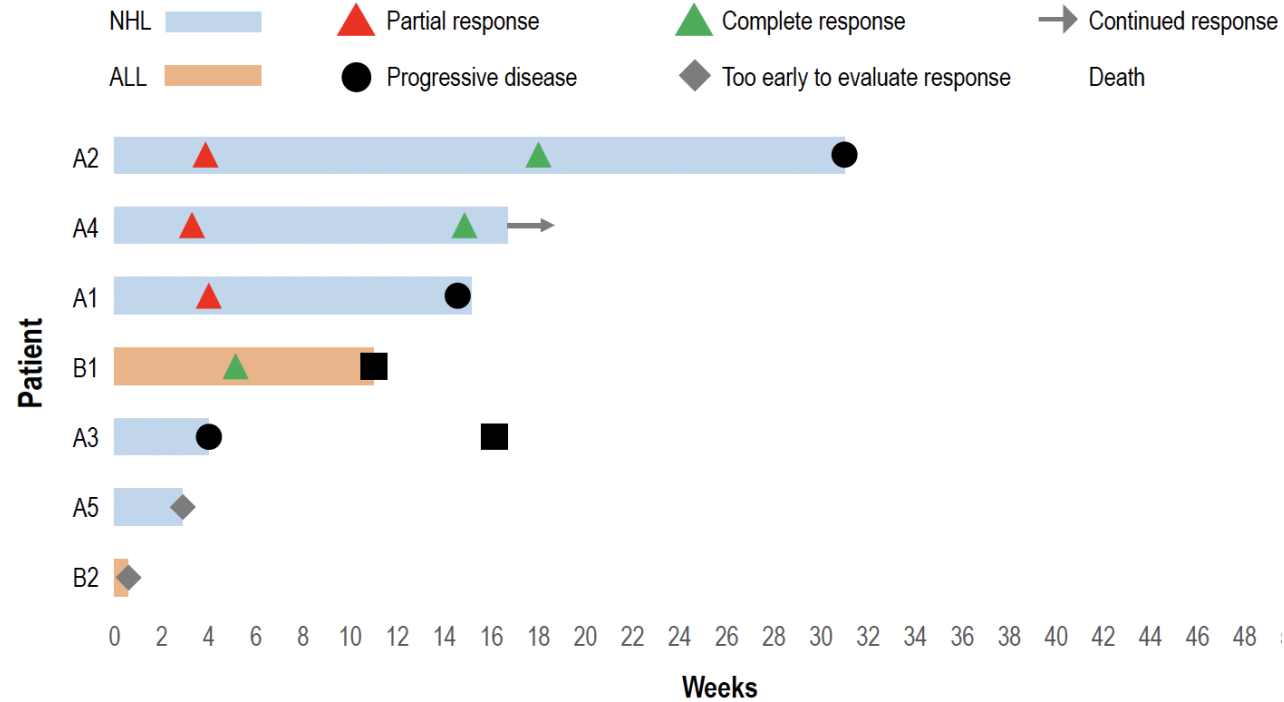
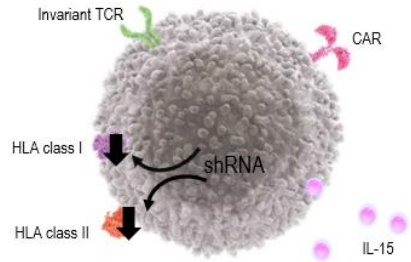


- No grade  $\geq 3$  CRS
- No grade  $\geq 3$  ICANS
- No GVHD

**N = 18 (10  $\geq$  DL3)**  
**ORR  $\geq$  DL3 = 70%**  
**CR rate  $\geq$  DL3 = 30%**

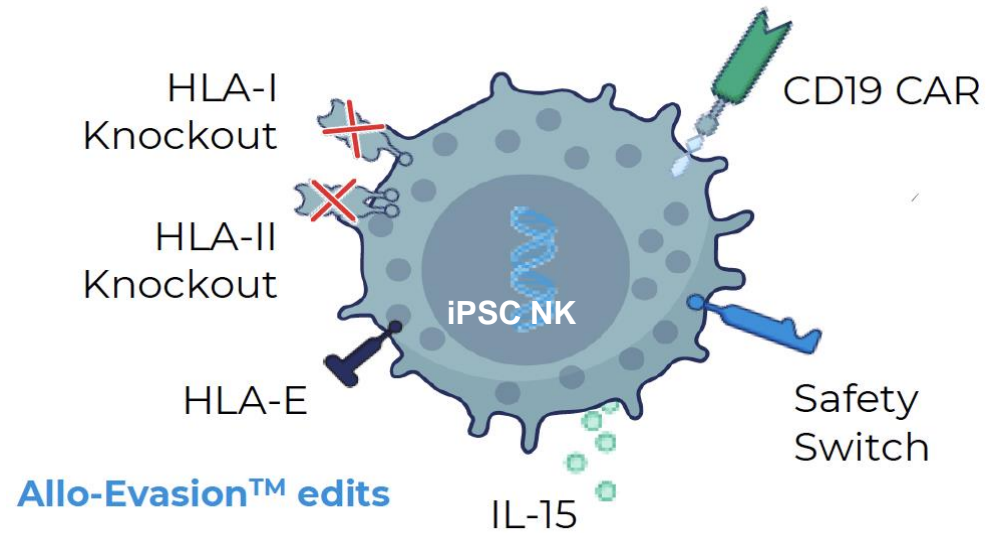


# KUR-502 (iNKT): Safety and efficacy



- **1 Grade 1 CRS**
- **No ICANS**
- **No GVHD**

# CNTY-101: Safety and efficacy



**N = 7 (DL1 and DL2)**

5 LBCL, 1 FL, 1 MZL

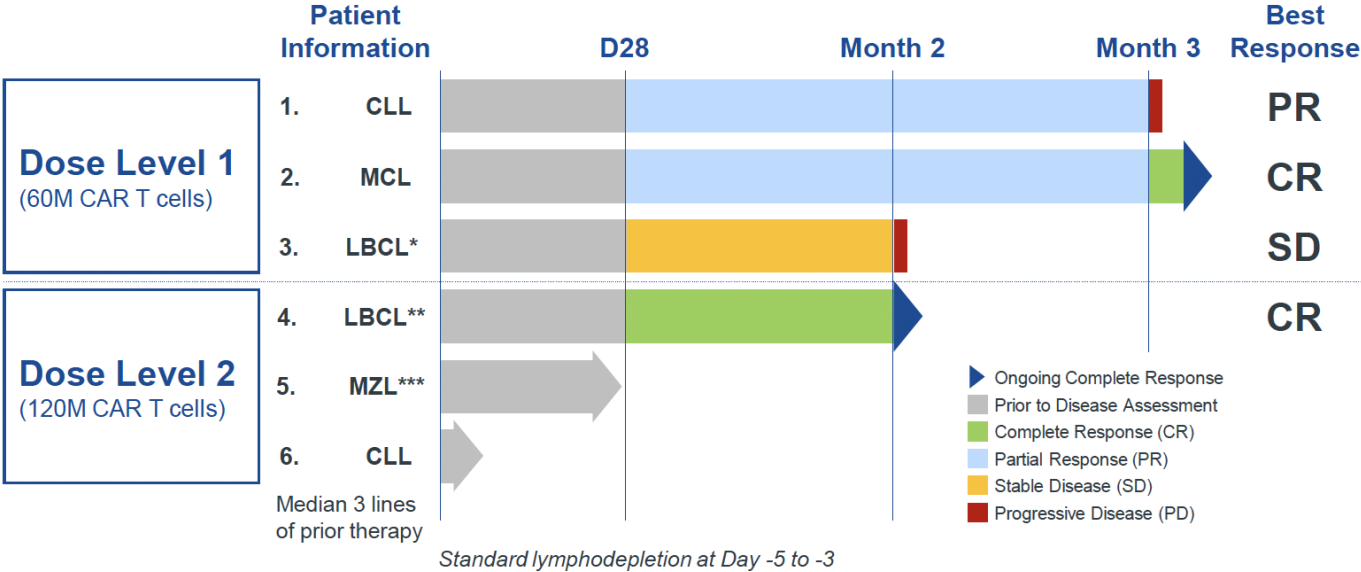
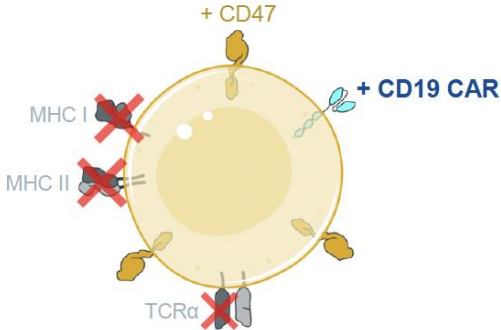
**ORR = 3 (42%)**

**CR rate = 2 (29%)**

No major toxicities



# SC291: Safety and efficacy



**Safety**

- No dose limiting toxicities
- No SC291-related SAEs
- No CRS or ICANS
- No Grade 3 or higher infections



# Allogeneic CAR T-cell therapy: Summary

- CRS and ICANS similar to autologous CAR T
- GVHD can be prevented by TCR KO or using alternative cell types such as NK, NKT, or  $\gamma\delta$  T cells
- Response rates in LBCL with allogeneic CAR T is comparable to autologous CAR T regardless of the cell type ( $\alpha\beta$ ,  $\gamma\delta$ , NK, iNKT)
- But durability of responses is suboptimal
- Persistence for 1 month is likely not sufficient to maintain durability of responses
- More effective approaches to prevent immune rejection that are needed to improve *in vivo* expansion and persistence of allogeneic CAR products and durability

***Thank you for your attention!***

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