



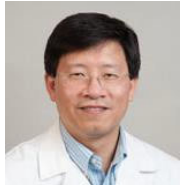
# CDR3 Therapeutics Investment Prospectus

# CDR3 THERAPEUTICS TEAM

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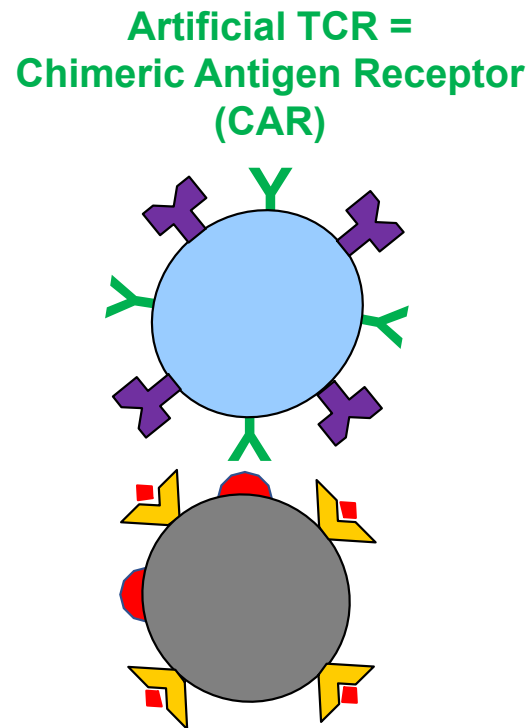
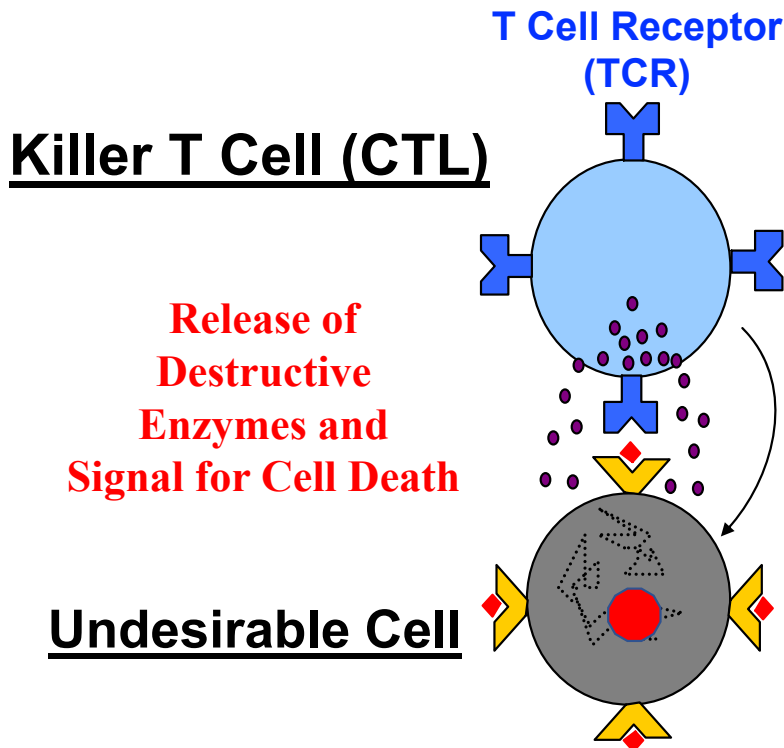
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# CANCER BREAKTHROUGH: GENETIC RETARGETING OF KILLER T CELLS

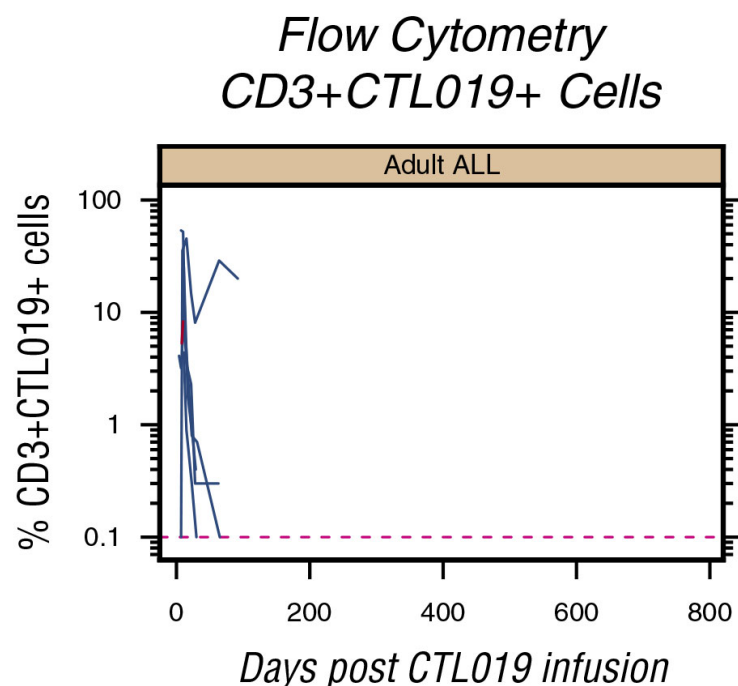
Breakthrough treatment for B cell lymphomas/leukemias: **Retargeting killer T cells** by genetic engineering to deliver **CARs** (CAR-T cells, Kymriah from Kite/Gilead)



- Each CTL normally has a single TCR that determines its natural target
- Delivering a gene for another TCR or CAR can **re-target** a CTL as desired

# T CELL GENE THERAPY: THE PROMISE BUT THE CURRENT SETBACK

## Current CAR-T cell treatment: Engineered T cells gone within weeks



- Stalled success: Failure against solid tumors and chronic viral infections that need **sustained** responses
- Current method for CAR-T:  
**Laboratory-expanded/processed  
blood T cells**

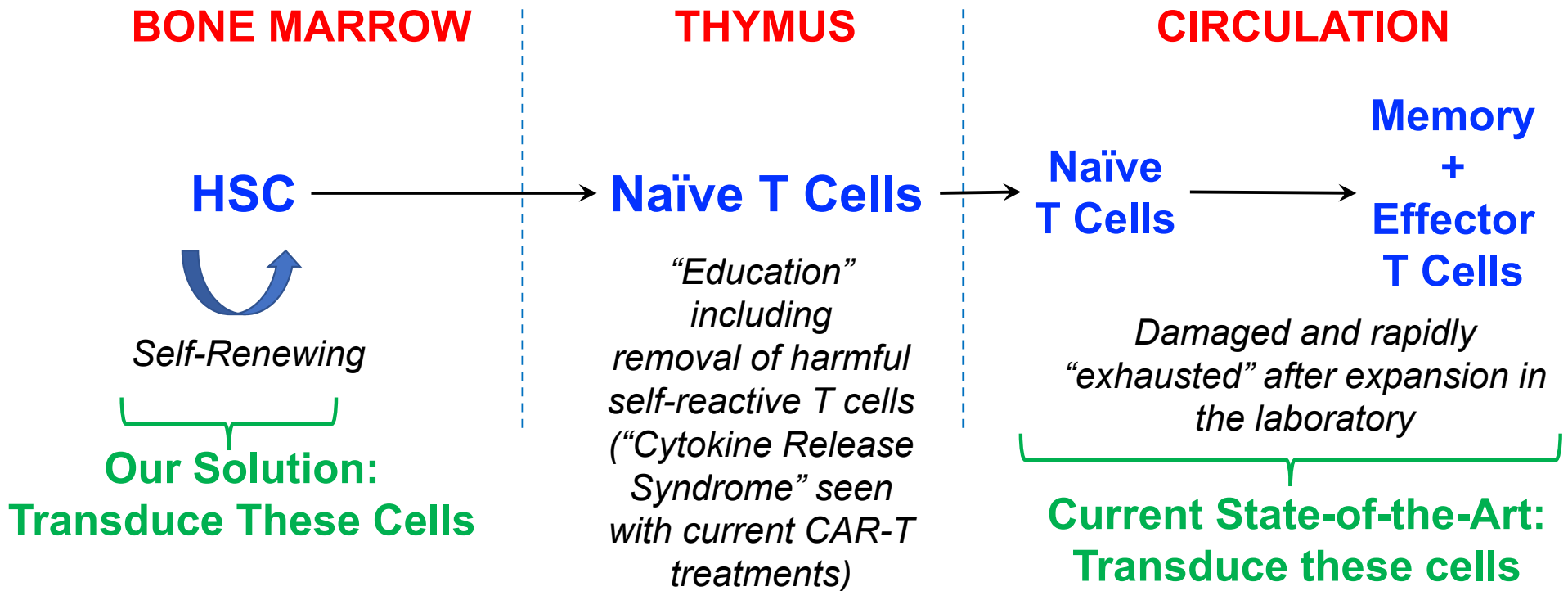
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- Current attempted solutions are downstream of the problem:  
Genetic modifications to ***alter the biology*** (changed death/growth pathways, genome editing to avoid immunosurveillance, also important in cancer biology) of the damaged T cells
- Our unique solution: Have the body make healthy T cells; put the retargeting gene into hematopoietic stem cells (***HSCs***) that create engineered T cells normally

# T CELL GENE IMMUNOTHERAPY: OUR SOLUTION EMPLOY NORMAL *IN VIVO* PRODUCTION OF T CELLS



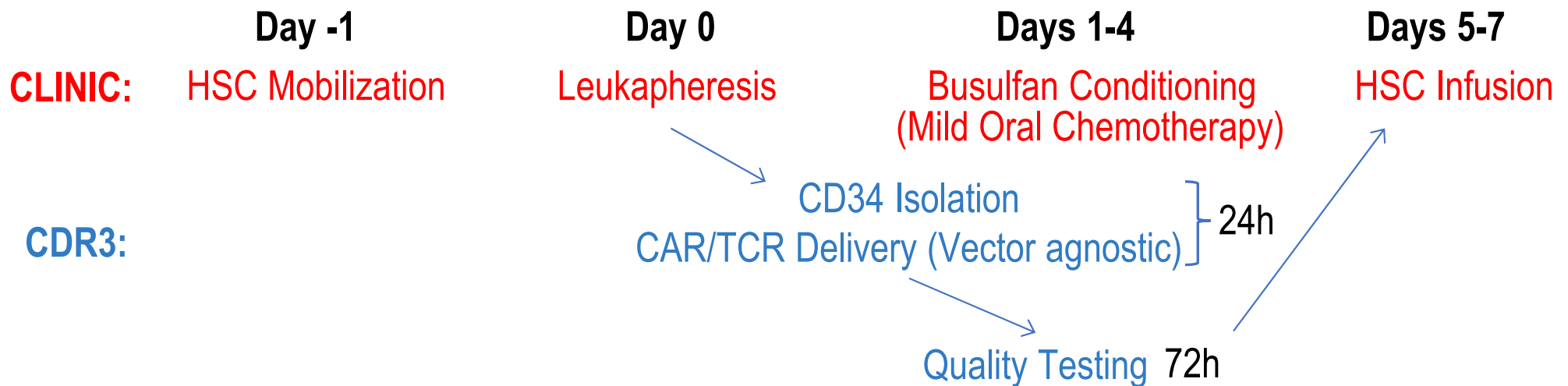
# CURRENT T CELL GENE IMMUNOTHERAPY VS CDR3 STEM CELL GENE IMMUNOTHERAPY



	Current T Cell Approach	CDR3 HSC Approach
<b>Cell Processing</b>	Large scale laboratory expansion	No expansion
<b>Cell Engraftment</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered by <i>ex vivo</i> expansion <input type="checkbox"/> Rapid death <input type="checkbox"/> Limited low persistence	<input type="checkbox"/> Long term engraftment <input type="checkbox"/> Continuous/persistent production of healthy normal T cells <i>in vivo</i>
<b>Lymphodepletion</b>	Yes	No
<b>Cell Development/Function</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Late stage cells <input type="checkbox"/> Reduced functions (limited ability to grow, survive, distribute)	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal development in the body <input type="checkbox"/> Normal functions
<b>Potential to Avoid CRS/Off-Target Effects</b>	No	Yes (Thymic selection)

*Using proprietary patented IP exclusively licensed from UCLA, CARs or TCRs are transduced into patient stem cells that engraft in the bone marrow to provide a permanent supply of functional killer T cells targeting the cancer or virus-infected cells*

# CDR3 STEM CELL IMMUNOTHERAPY: POTENTIALLY AN *OUTPATIENT* PROCEDURE



## Advantages Versus Current Peripheral T Cell Therapies

- Rapid: 5-7 days versus 21-28 days
- No toxic lymphodepletion required; may avoid hospitalization
- Fewer transduced cells needed since they self-expand *in vivo* (less risk for cancer)

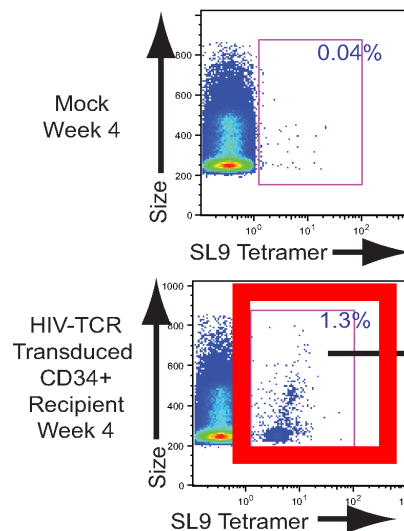
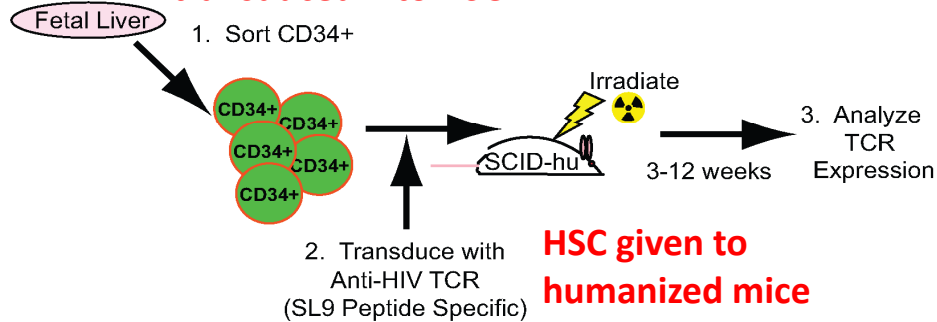
## CDR3 Process Is:

- Quicker
- More Effective
- Safer
- Cheaper

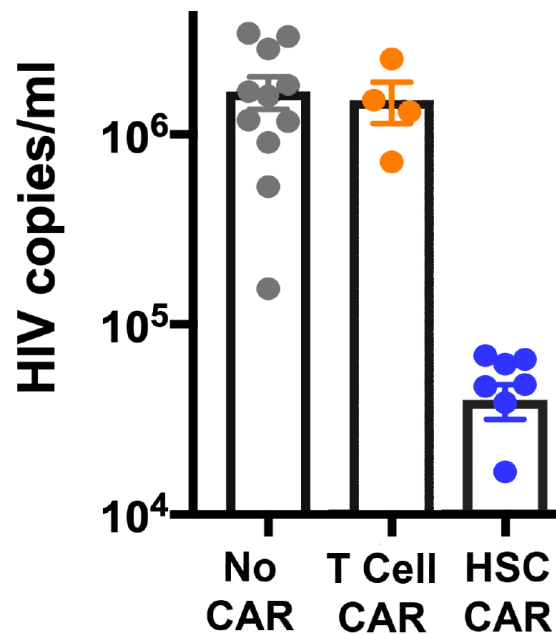


# PROOF-OF-CONCEPT: HIV IMMUNOTHERAPY HUMANIZED MOUSE MODEL TCR HSC THERAPY

## TCR against HIV transduced into HSC

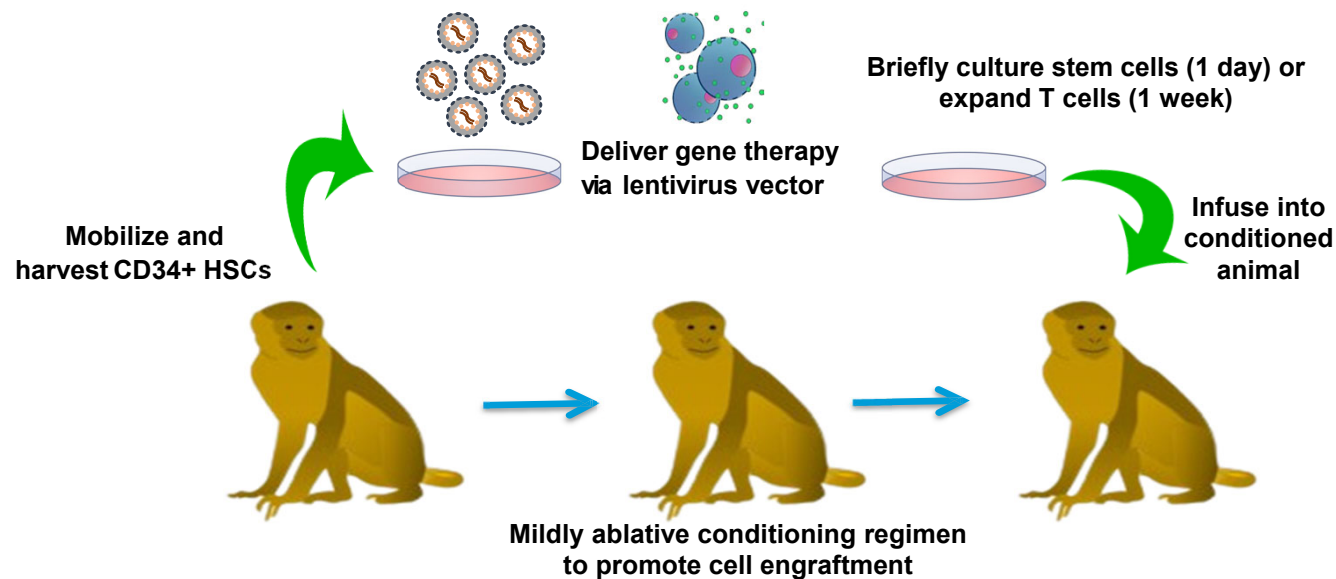


HSC develop into human T cells with the TCR



CARs delivered via HSC suppress HIV better than CARs delivered via peripheral T cells

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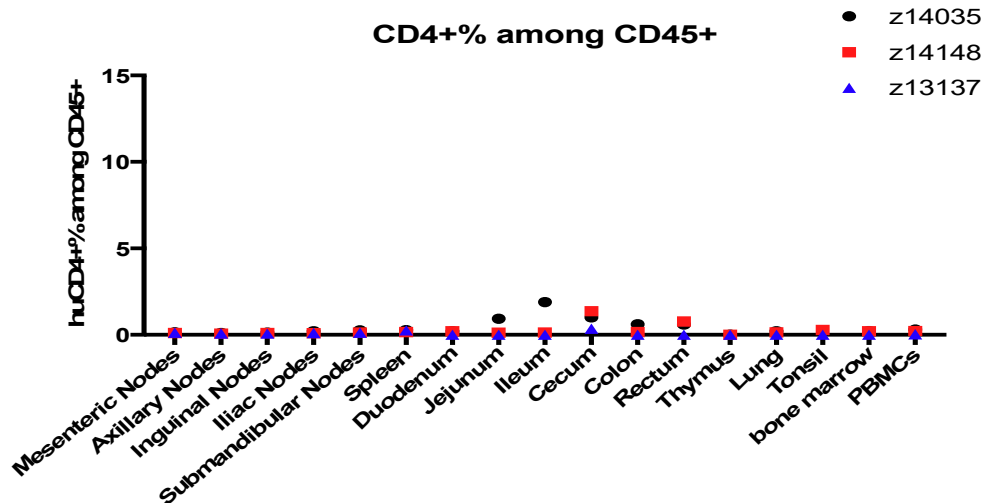


- Long-term ( $\geq 2$  year) persistence, safe and non-toxic
- Formation of engineered T cells residing in many anatomical sites like normal T cells
- Engineered T cells reactive against HIV both in laboratory testing and reducing virus in the animals

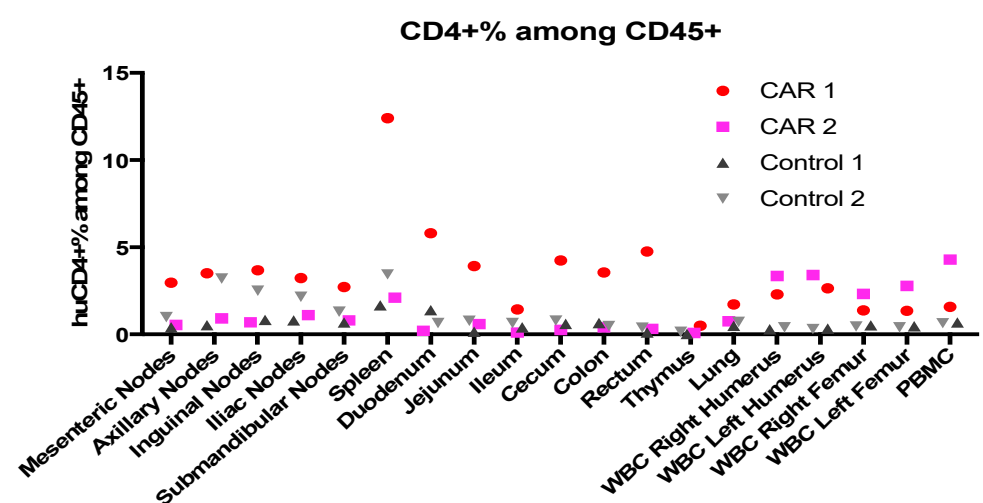
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**Current Technology  
Delivered by Peripheral T Cells**



**CDR3 Approach  
Delivered by HSC**



*Standard CAR delivery through blood T cells produces CAR-T cells that don't normally move through different body tissues, but HSCs produce healthy CAR-T that normally distribute*

*In collaboration with Dr. Chris Peterson, Dr. Hans-Peter Kiem et al.*

# T CELL GENE IMMUNOTHERAPY: THE NEED

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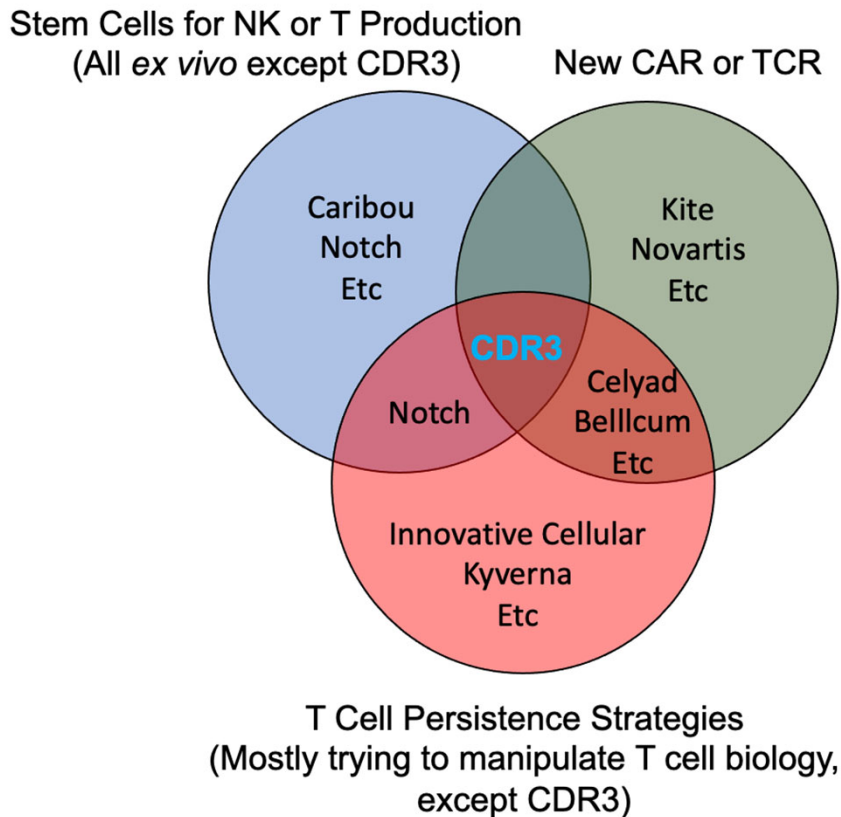


- Despite current limitations (only six FDA cleared CARs since 2017 against two B cell targets), the T cell gene therapy market is projected to reach **\$17.3B by 2027**

<https://www.acumenresearchandconsulting.com/t-cell-therapy-market>

- Our technology will greatly broaden the market to include currently untreatable cancers and chronic viral infections

# COMPETITORS:



- Stem cells: Other companies are not putting them into patients (just using in the lab to make other cell types)
- New CAR/TCR: Companies such as Kite are based entirely on one or a few new CARs/TCRs
- T cell persistence: Other companies are trying to alter T cells *after* they have become abnormal; only CDR3 has the body make normal T cells

## Autologous cell therapy (similar to Kite and Juno services)

- Current market price is \$373K for Yescarta and \$475K for Kymriah
- Patient cells processed at regional CDR3 lab and shipped to clinic
- Our current estimated net cell production cost is ~\$75K/patient once scaled
- Estimated revenue at 70% GM of \$250,000 per patient
- Cell processing SOP the same for all indications, differing only by receptor
- Potentially significant cost savings, especially if outpatient

# INITIAL DISEASE TARGETS TO ESTABLISH OUR PLATFORM TECHNOLOGY: HPV AND CMV



## Human Papillomavirus (HPV)-associated cancers (5% of all cancers worldwide)

- Head/neck, cervical, vagina/vulvar, penile, anal, others
- \$16.3 billion in 2018 and growing at a 4.5% CAGR

## Cytomegalovirus (CMV)

- Benign chronic infection in most healthy people, but severe life-threatening infection in people with weakened immune systems
- “Orphan Disease” status in transplant patients (\$1.2 billion in 2020, growing at a 12.3% CAGR)

## HIV and other chronic viral infections (Projected to reach \$44.2 billion by 2026)

- <https://www.globenewswire.com/news-release/2020/02/20/1987756/0/en/Antiviral-Drugs-Market-Worth-USD-44-2-billion-by-2026-at-3-2-CAGR-Rising-Prevalence-of-HIV-to-Fuel-Growth-Fortune-Business-Insights.html>
- <https://www.delveinsight.com/report-store/cytomegalovirus-cmv-infection-market>

# PARALLEL CANDIDATES TO A HUMAN PROOF-OF-CONCEPT TRIAL: ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES



Target Disease	TCR or CAR Available	Animal Testing Data	Orphan Disease	Disease with No Effective Treatments	Patient Already Getting HSC Transplant
Advanced HPV-Associated Cancer	No*	No*	No	Yes	No
CMV Prevention in Bone Marrow Transplantation	Yes	No**	Yes	No	Yes
HIV***	Yes	Yes	No	No	No

\* In discussion for potential licensure of a TCR that has already been in human trials with peripheral T cells

\*\* In progress

\*\*\* Proof-of-concept, potential for grant funding



## SEED ROUND FUNDING GOAL: \$5M



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- *Goal: Within two years, complete all pre-clinical development to start a phase I FDA trial for at least one disease indication that will provide proof-of-concept for our therapeutic platform*
  - Convertible note
  - Discount Rate 20%
  - Interest 4%
  - Valuation Cap \$50M

## PURSUING THE QUICKEST PATH TO IND FOR PROOF-OF-CONCEPT OF THE PLATFORM

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- Secure additional IP from founders' ongoing grant-funded research by exclusive licensing through UCLA
- Accelerate paths to clinical trials for **HPV-cancer** and **CMV**:
  - Production of HPV TCR for pre-clinical testing (in parallel with existing TCR license opportunity)
  - Pre-clinical animal testing of HPV TCR and CMV CAR

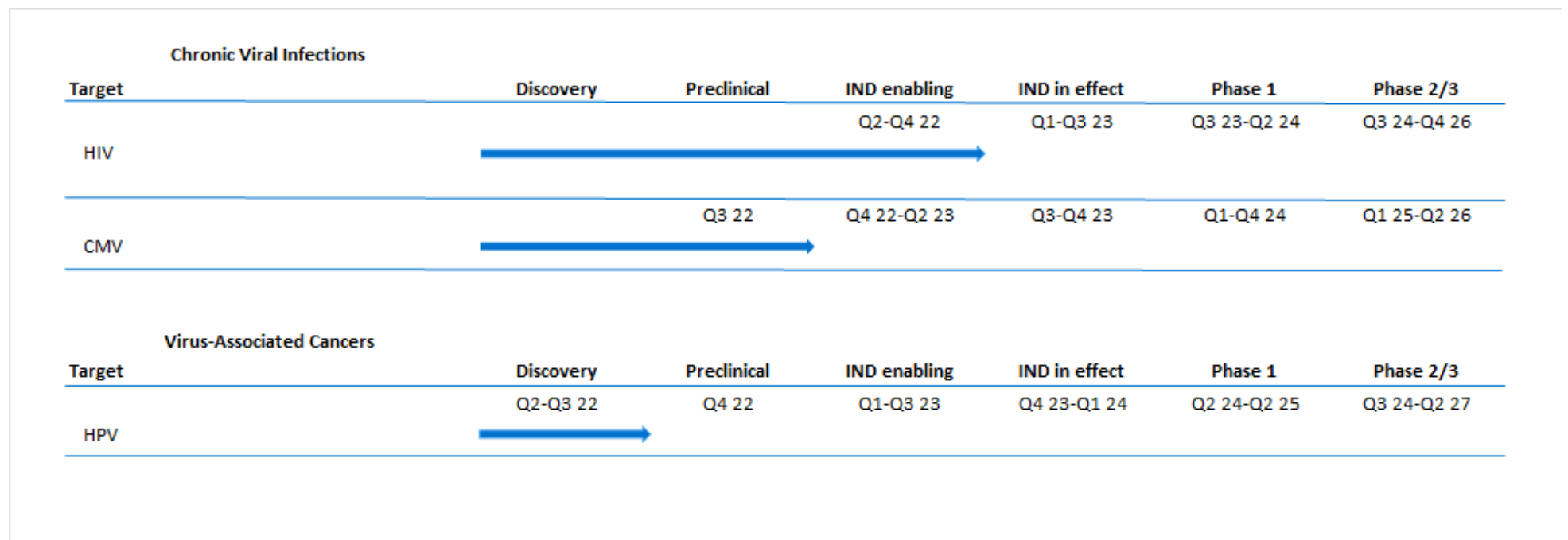
## GOAL OF SEED FUNDING: QUICKEST PATH TO IND FOR ONE OR MORE DISEASES

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- Laboratory "incubator space" at UCLA/CNSI to establish GMP processes (\$2,500/month)
- Prodigy machine, GMP cell processing unit (\$500k)
- Staff scientist for process development and NIH SBIR grant applications for non-dilutional funding (\$150k/year)
- Outsourced large batch GMP vectors for both pre-clinical testing and eventual clinical trial (\$300k/vector)
- Regulatory specialist for pre-IND discussions with FDA (\$150k/year)

# THERAPEUTIC DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE



Platform IND for all future clinical trials because the patient conditioning regimen and treatment protocol is the same for all chronic viral infections and virus-associated cancers

# WHAT SETS US APART

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- Unique hematopoietic stem cell-based technology
- Portfolio of patented and proprietary CARs and expertise to create new CARs and TCRs against any virus or virus-associated cancer
- Founders with >75 years of combined viral immunology research experience, receiving >\$100 million grant funding from NIH, California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM), and other agencies

# SOME KEY PEER-REVIEWED STUDIES



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