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CAR T Cell Therapies

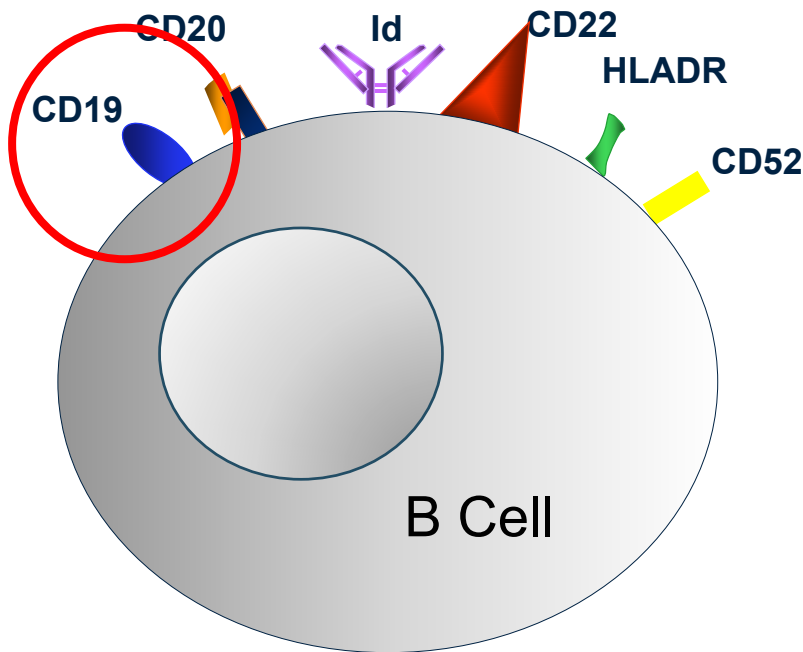
The State of the Science of
Hematopoietic Stem Cell Treatment and Disability:
A Workshop

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Cell-Surface Proteins are Targets for New Therapies



- Many cancer cells have well characterized surface proteins
- These proteins can be targeted to kill the cell with:
 - Monoclonal antibody
 - Engineered antibody
 - Immune (T) cells

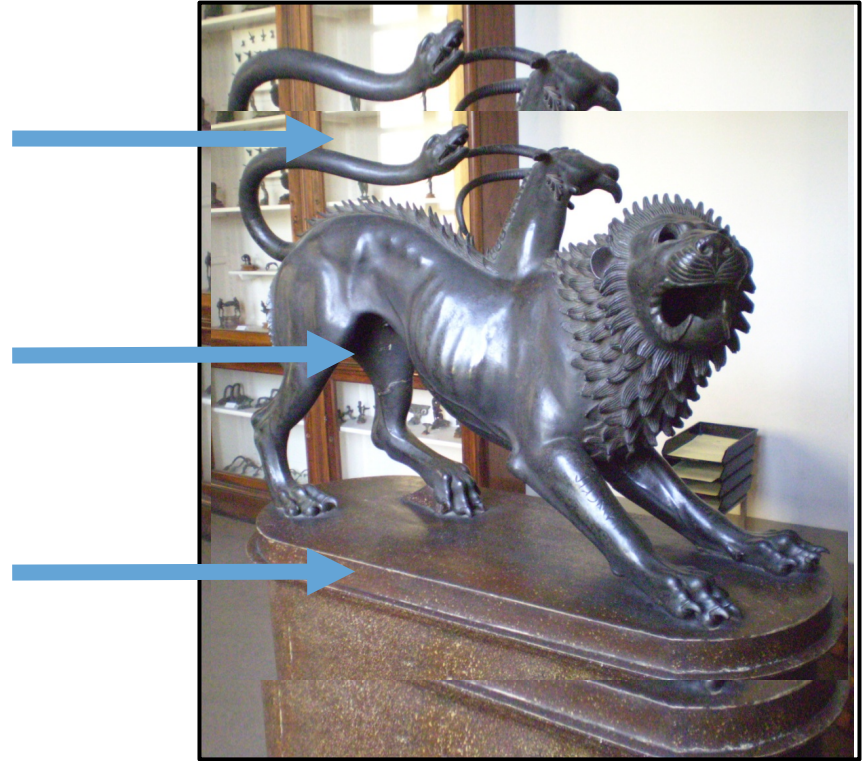


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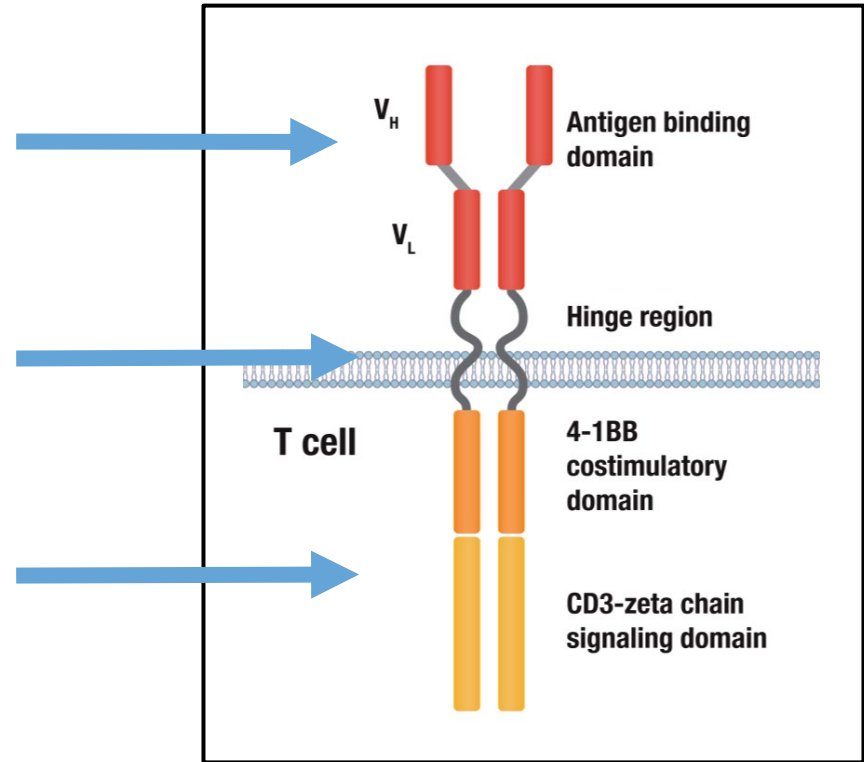
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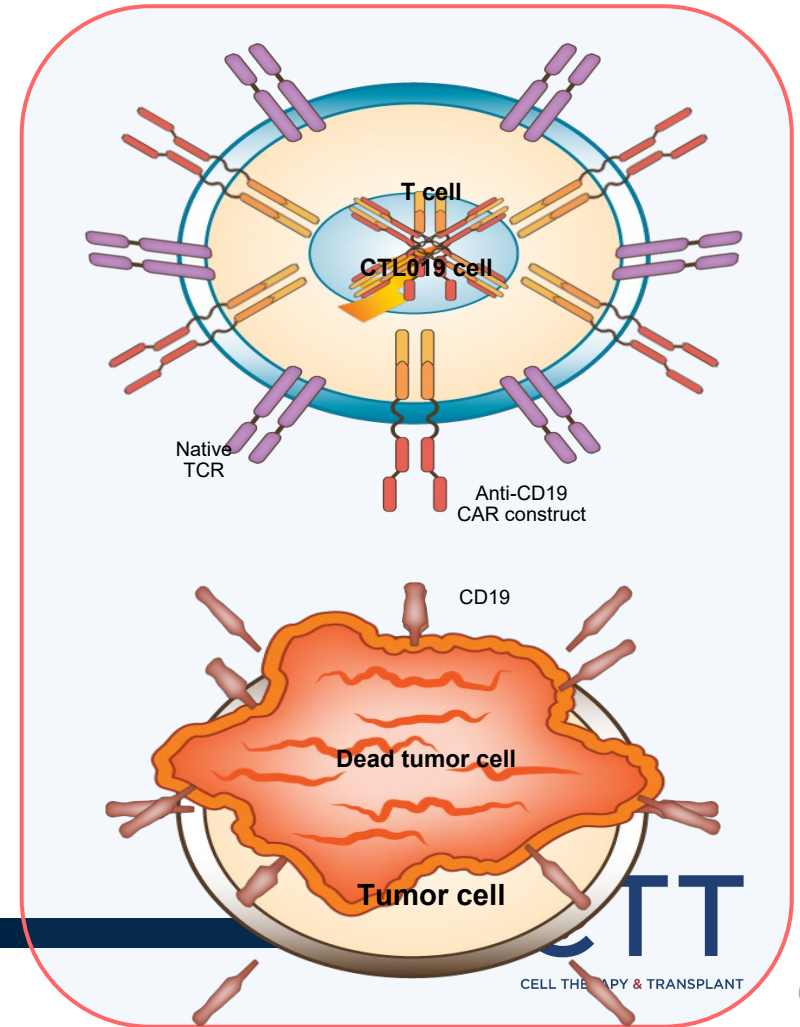
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Targeting CD19 with CAR-Modified T cells

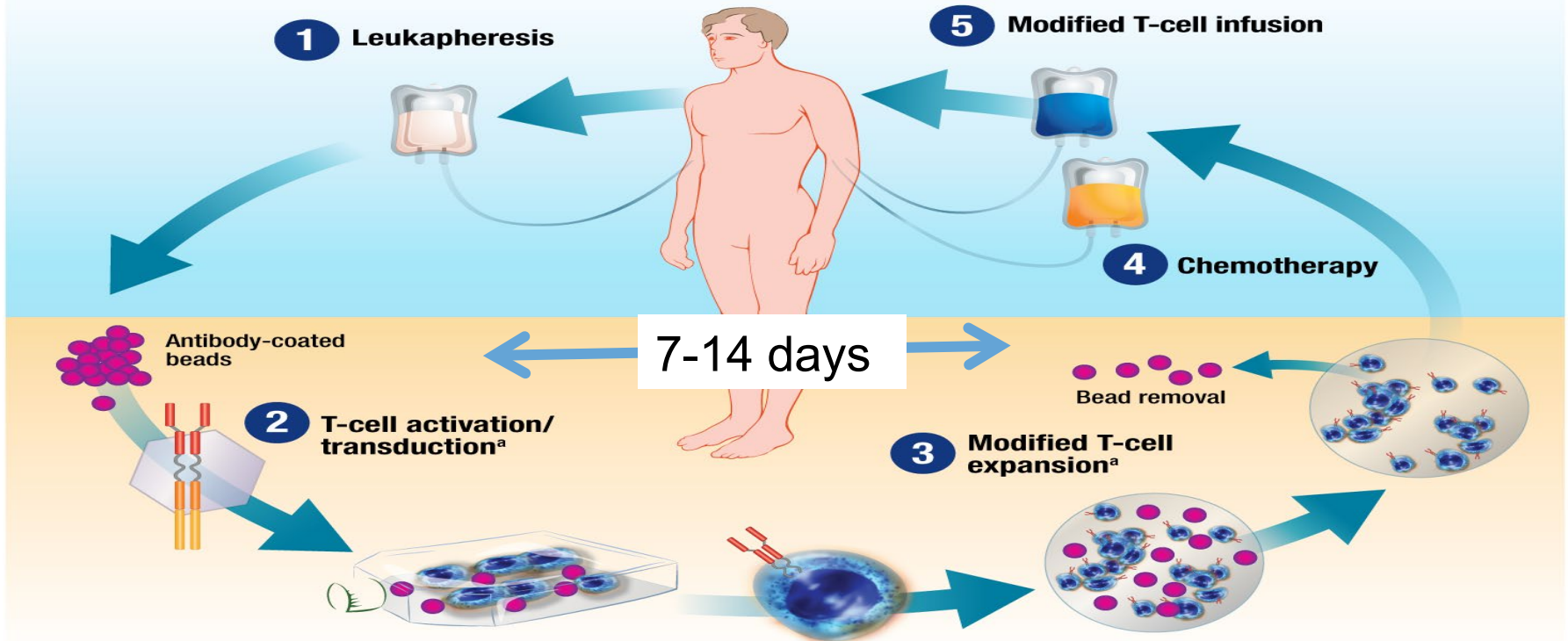
- ▶ Gene transfer (lentiviral (HIV-like) vector) bring new gene coding for CAR protein into T cell, conferring novel antigen specificity
- ▶ CAR modified T cells can now recognize and kill CD19+ cells



CAR T cells for B cell malignancies: Why all the excitement?

Disease	Standard therapy	CAR T cells
Relapsed, refractory ALL	Almost no probability of remission or cure	80-90% CR rates 50-60% LFS at 6-12 mo
Relapsed, refractory NHL	Almost no probability of remission or cure	50-70% CR 30-40% DFS
Relapsed, refractory CLL	Almost no probability of remission or cure	50-70% CR 30-40% DFS
Relapsed, refractory MM	Almost no probability of remission or cure	80%-100 ORR 33-74% DFS

Overview of CAR T Cell Therapy



^a Cellular reprogramming and ex vivo expansion are conducted at a cell processing facility.



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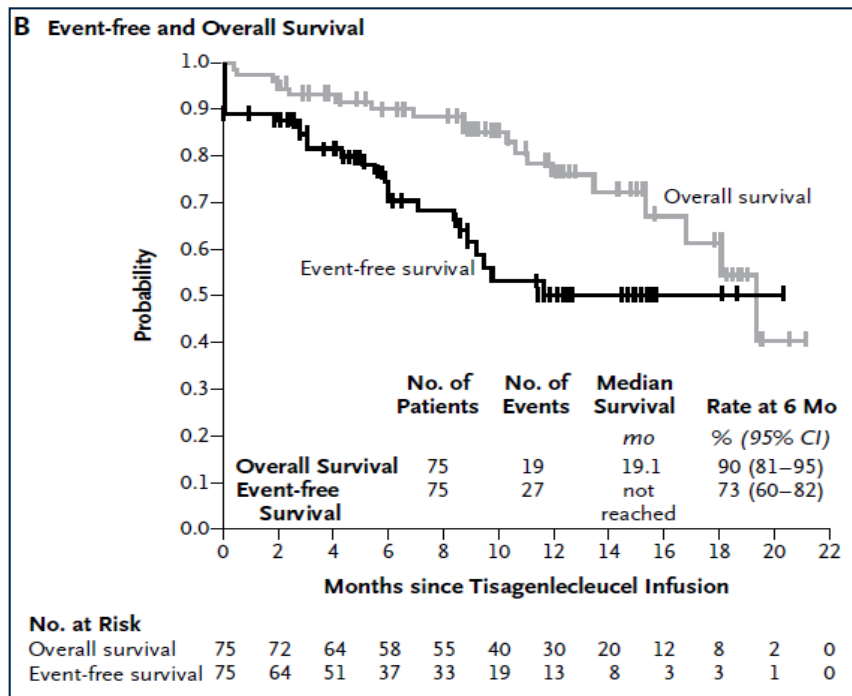
ALL: Rationale for Novel Therapies

- Prognosis for relapsed or refractory ALL poor
- Median survival < 1yr
- 3 yr survival <25%
- Allogeneic SCT for refractory ALL largely ineffective
- There is a desperate need for newer, more effective therapies for advanced and high risk ALL.



Eliana Study: Ped & AYA ALL: Outcomes Post CART19 (tisagenlecleucel)¹

- EFS & OS for entire infused cohort



N=75 Ped&AYA ALL

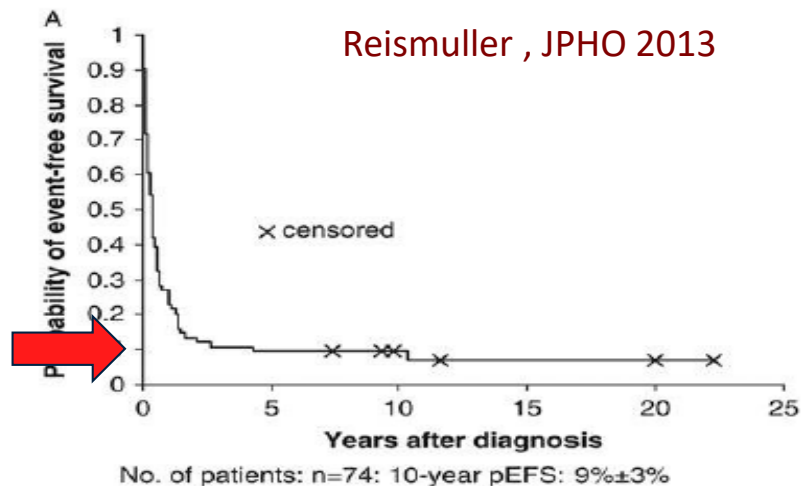


81%=MRD Neg CR

Only 8 Proceeded to HSCT in CR

Led to FDA approval of
CTL019
(tisagenlecleucel,
Kymriah) Aug 30, 2017.

Prognosis of 2nd or Greater Relapse of ALL: Impact of CAR T cell



10-30% remission rate

EFS 9%



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FDA approved CAR T products

There are 5 FDA approved CAR T cell products for 5 indications

Indication	Product
ALL: Pediatric and young adults (up to age 25)	Tisagenlecleucel (tisa-cel)
Relapsed/refractory large B cell lymphoma (DLBCL, tFL, +/-PMBCL)	Tisa-cel Axicabtagene ciloleucel (axi-cel), Lisocabtagene maraleucel (liso-cel)
R/R Follicular lymphoma	Axi-cel
R/R Mantle cell lymphoma	Brexucabtagene autoleucel (brexu-cel)
R/R Multiple myeloma	Idecabtagene vicleucel (ide-cel)

Choosing a CAR-T product, location of care and managing patients

It's all about the toxicity....

CRS, Neurologic Toxicity, B Cell Aplasia



Toxicity: CAR T cells

- ▶ No significant acute infusional toxicity
- ▶ Tumor lysis syndrome
- ▶ Cytokine Release Syndrome (CRS)
- ▶ Neurologic toxicity
- ▶ Long-term B cell aplasia and hypogammaglobulinemia due to inability to make antibodies in some responding patients (toxicity or efficacy?) may increase risk infections
 - Supported with intravenous immunoglobulin (IVIG)



Cytokine Release Syndrome after CAR T Cell Therapy

- ▶ Correlates with CAR T activation and expansion resulting in intensive immune activation.
- ▶ Clinical syndrome: A mild to very severe “flu-like” syndrome
 - Onset 1-14 days after infusion, duration 1-10 days
 - Fevers in all patients (up to 105/41 deg)
 - Muscle and joint pain, anorexia, nausea, diarrhea
 - Capillary leak, leading to hypotension, hypoxia
 - May be self-limited or require anti-cytokine intervention
 - CRS-related mortality low but possible (<5%)
 - Biochemical changes
 - Marked increase in IL6
 - Dramatic elevations in ferritin (MAS/HLH), CRP

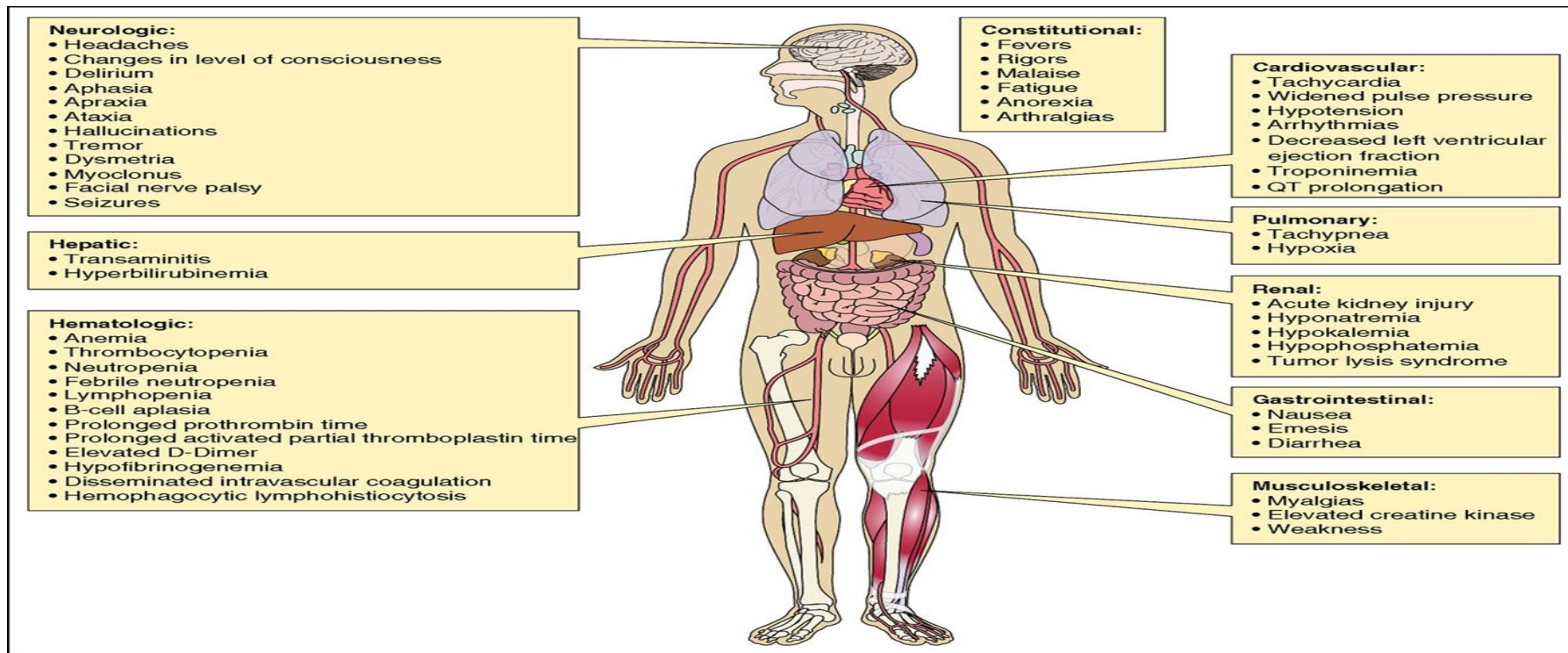


Neurologic Toxicity

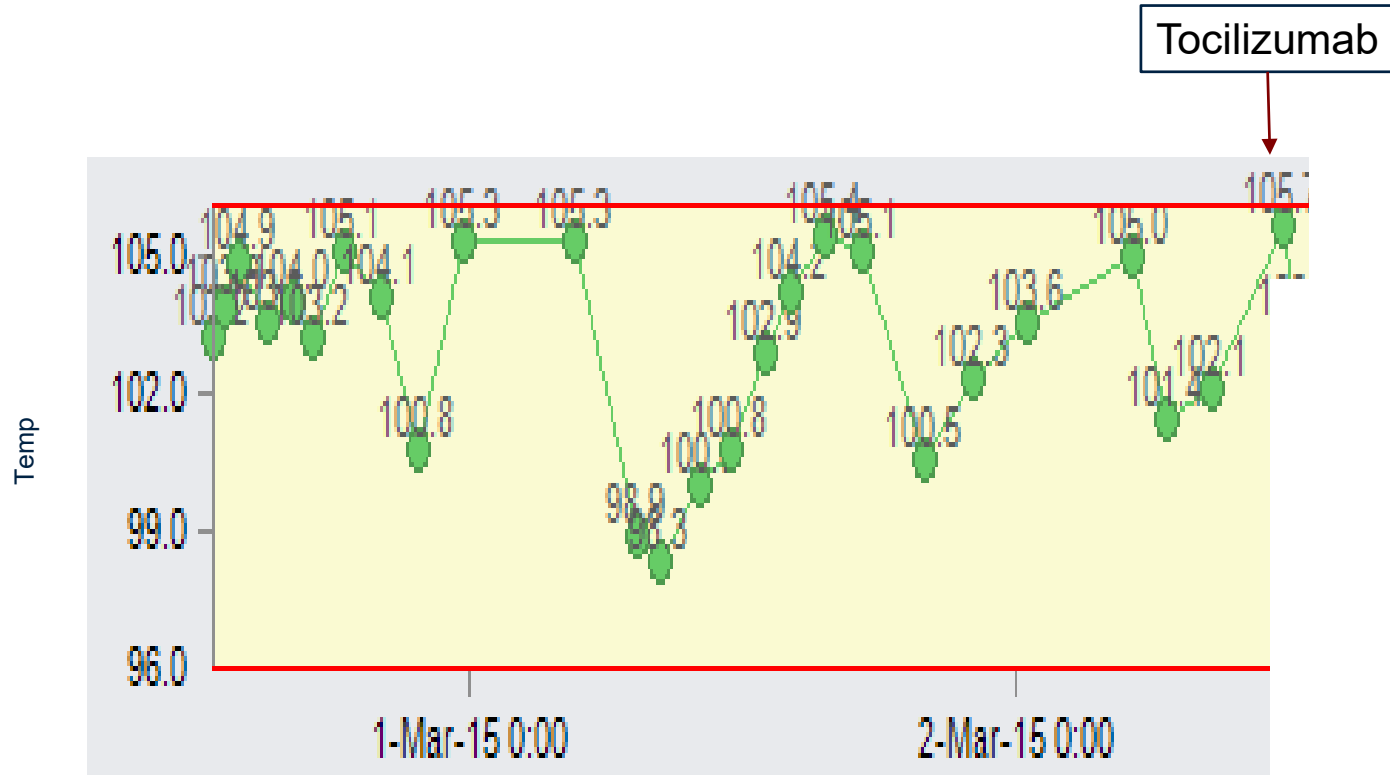
- Less well understood; less defined management
- Symptoms:
 - Expressive aphasia (esp naming objects/people); perseveration, global aphasia
 - Often awake and alert
 - Encephalopathy
 - Tremor, myoclonus, seizures
 - Apraxia, dysgraphia
- Onset: within days to 2-3 weeks after CAR T
 - During or after resolution of systemic CRS
- Self limited; rare cases cerebral edema/death



CRS toxicities by organ system



CRS After CAR T: Fever response to tocilizumab



CAR T-cell Therapy and Toxicities- Key Points

- ▶ Major unique acute toxicities include CRS and neurologic toxicities
 - Neurologic toxicity managed with corticosteroids
- ▶ Almost all patients recover by day 30 (or day 90) after infusion with limited long term toxicities.
- ▶ Hypogammaglobulinemia (poor antibody production) is a long term toxicity
 - Possible increased risk of infection
 - Managed with IVIG infusions when appropriate.



Using CAR-T in the real world: Outpatient care

Select appropriate patient

- ♦ Physically 'stable'
 - EF 40–45% or NYHA <gr3; CrCL >40, Cr <1.6–2.0, LFTs and pulmonary function 'adequate'
- ♦ Reliable
- ♦ Within 1 hour of transplant center if outpatient treatment
- ♦ Caregiver available

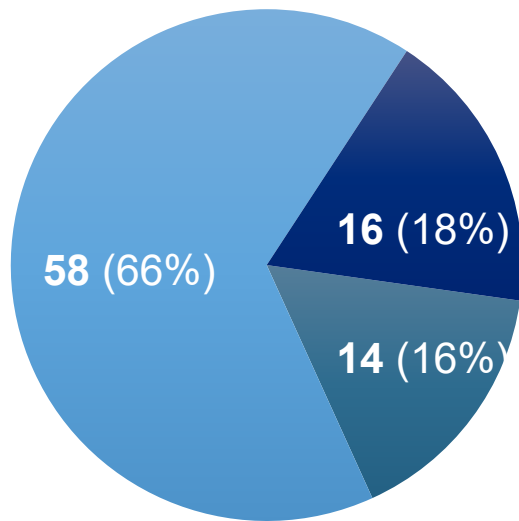
Select appropriate product

- ♦ Toxicity (CRS, NT) is predictable (tisa-cel > axi-cel)
- ♦ Gradual in onset

Available resources

- ♦ Outpatient expertise available around the clock
- ♦ Easily accessible
- ♦ Telemedicine or in-person evaluations frequently (2x/week minimum)
- ♦ Staff training

Toxicity profile conducive for outpatient management: Tisacel outpatients at University of Pennsylvania (2018–2020), N=88



- Not admitted within 30 days
- Admitted within 30 days
- Admitted within 3 days

■ 1st Qtr ■ 2nd Qtr ■ 3rd Qtr

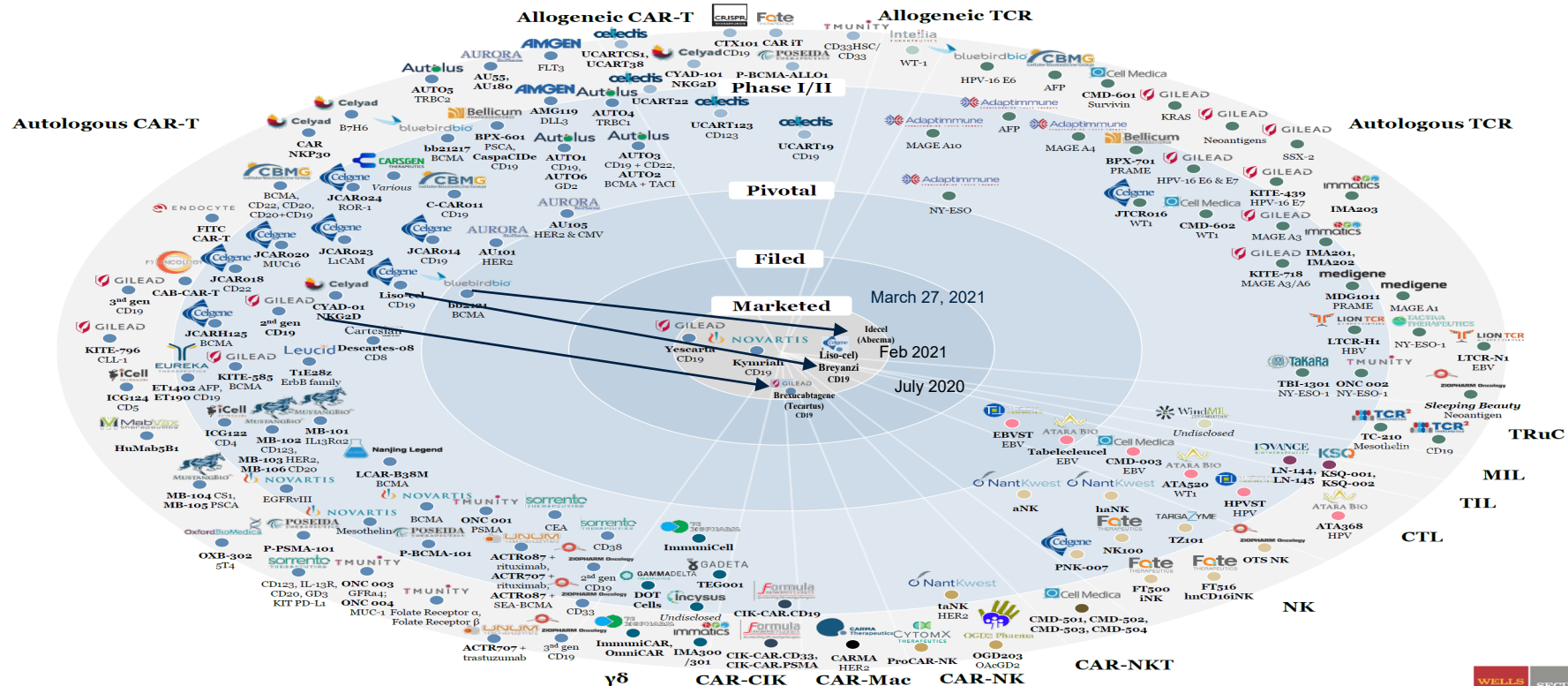
Median time to admission = 4 days post infusion



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- EAP: expanded access program
- Unpublished experience, UPenn

Cell Therapy Landscape: 2018-2021 View



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- ▶ Many patients alive in CR well beyond 12mo
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Discussion and Questions





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