

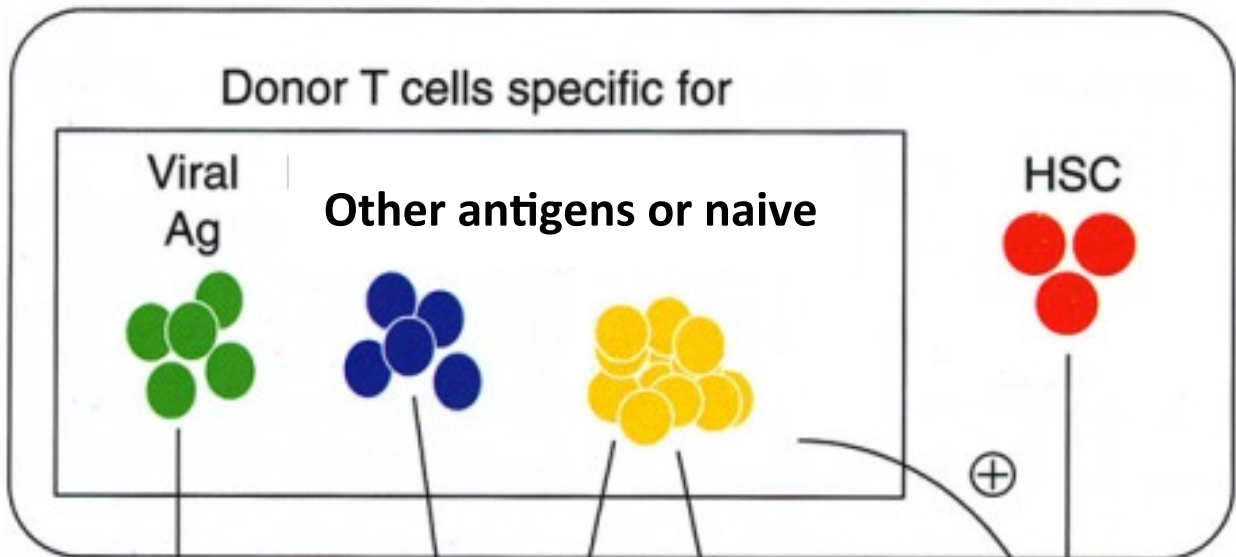
# **Le terapie cellulari post allotrapianto**

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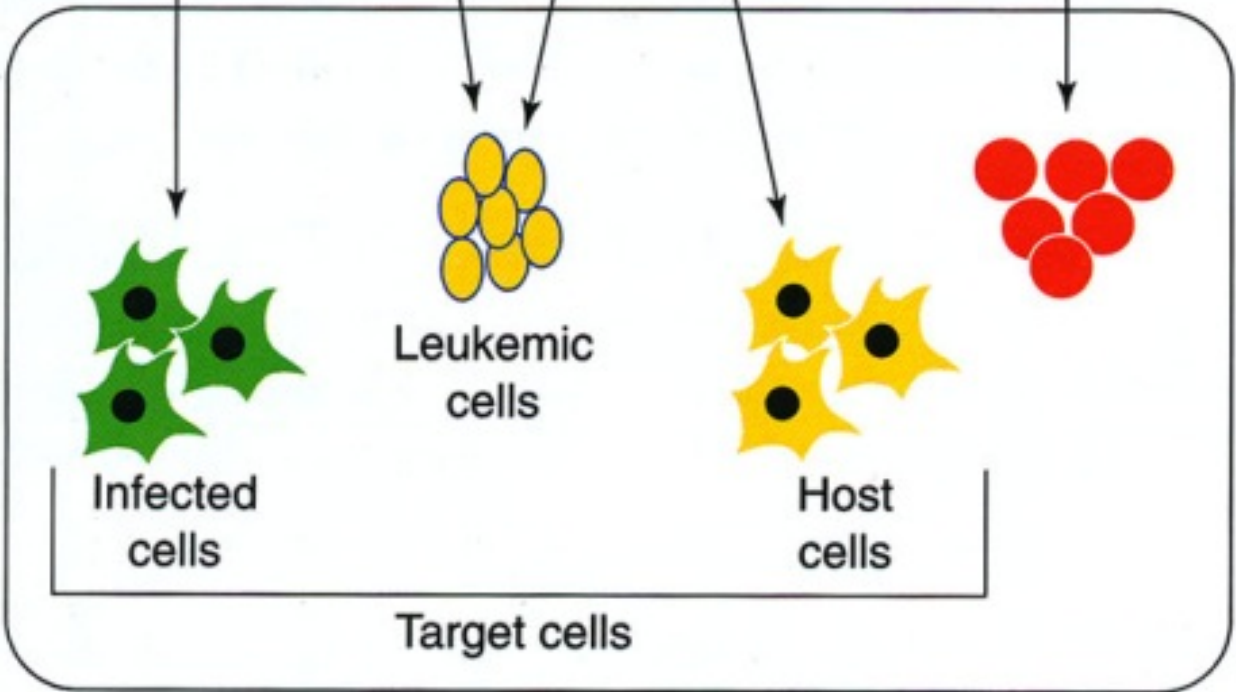
- Nothing in biology makes sense except in the light of evolution (1973)
- Theodosius Dobzansky (1900-1975)

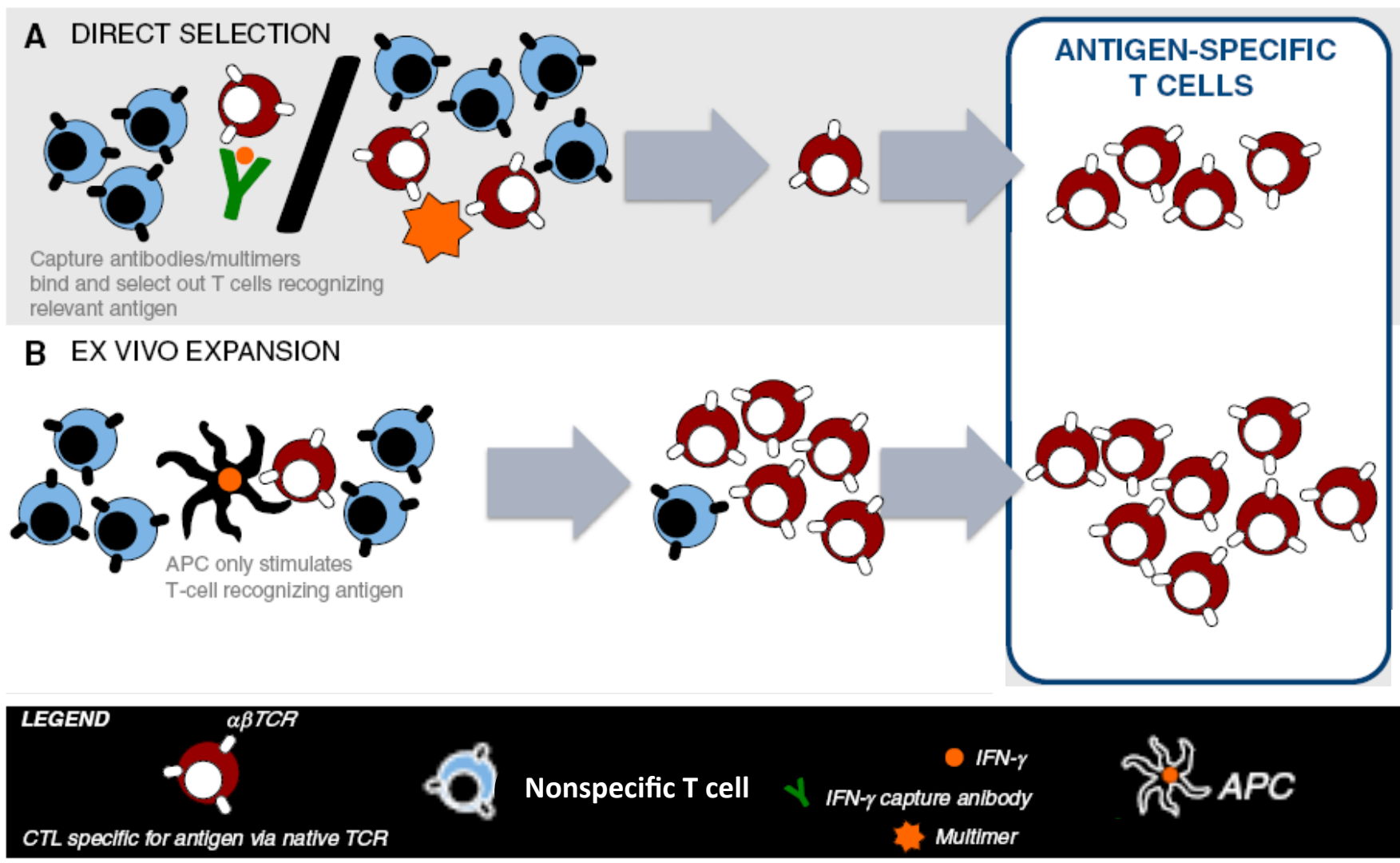
Bone marrow transplant



GVI GVL GVHD Engraftment

Recipient

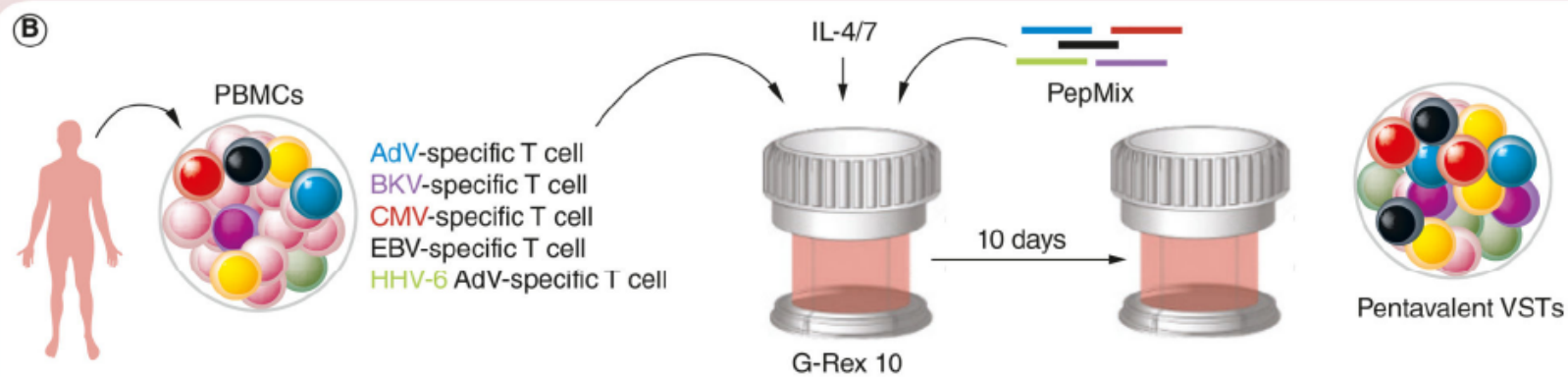
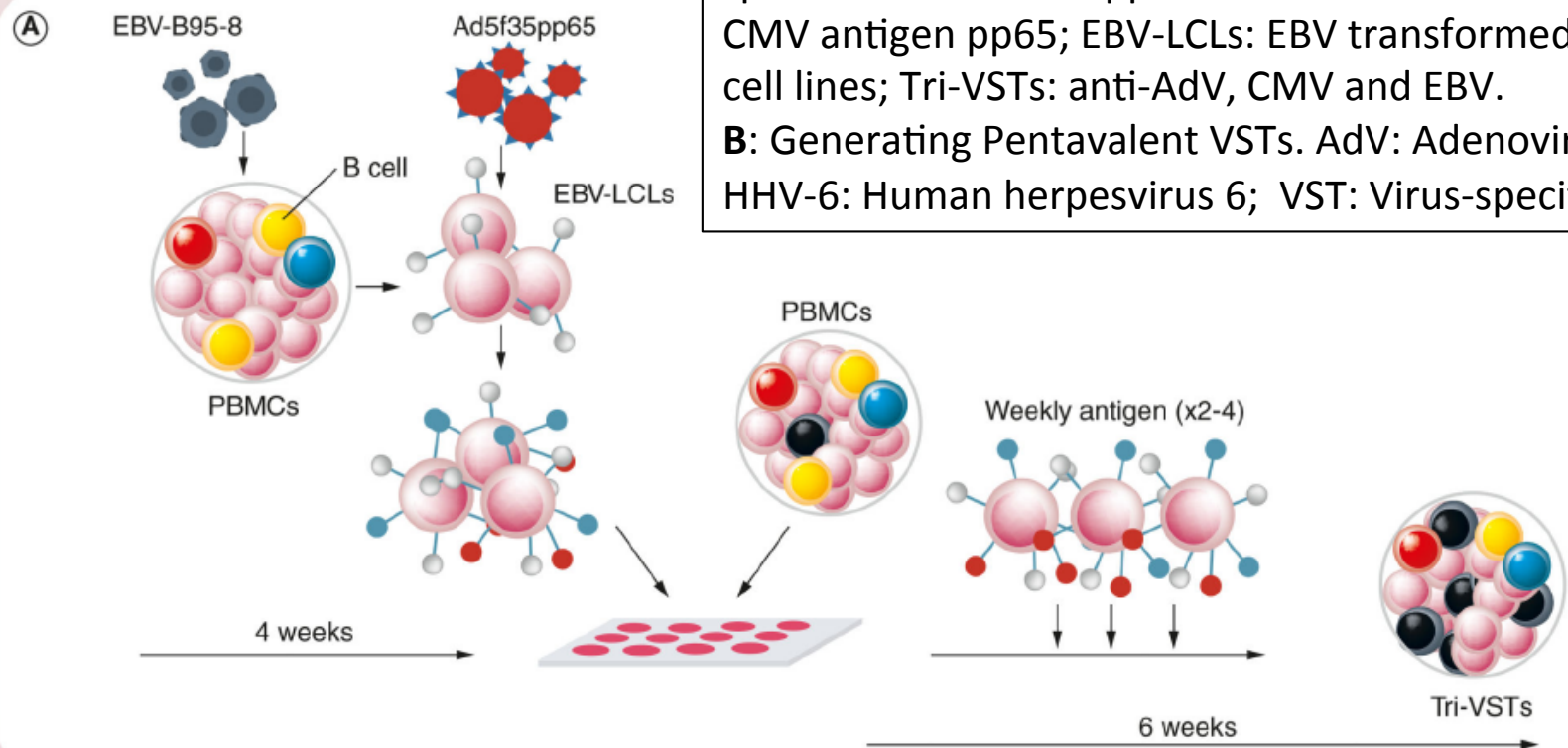




# Generation of *ex vivo* expanded virus-specific T cells

**A:** Manufacturing procedure for generating AdV, EBV and CMV-specific VSTs. Ad5f35pp65: Adenoviral vector encoding for the CMV antigen pp65; EBV-LCLs: EBV transformed lymphoblastoid cell lines; Tri-VSTs: anti-AdV, CMV and EBV.

**B:** Generating Pentavalent VSTs. AdV: Adenovirus; BKV: BK virus; HHV-6: Human herpesvirus 6; VST: Virus-specific T cell.

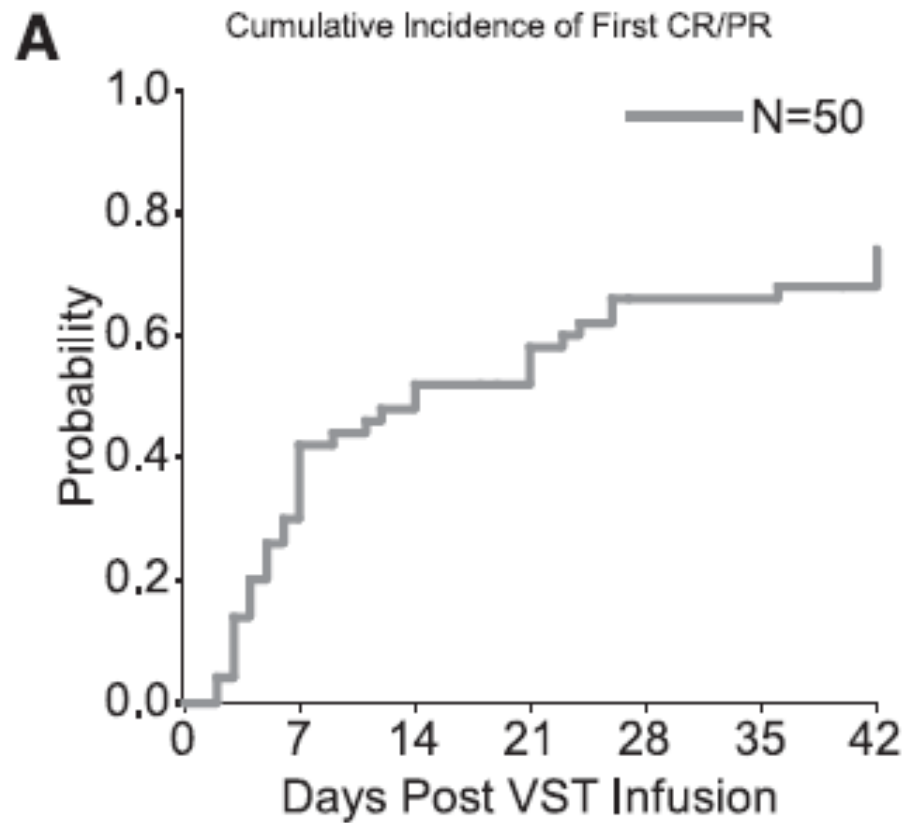


A total of 32 lines were produced and characterized, 18 of which were administered to the 50 study patients (Baylor College, Houston, Texas, US). The selection of lines for infusion was based on the specificity of the line for the target virus through a shared HLA allele, as well as the overall level of HLA match.

## Banked third-party VST to treat severe viral infections

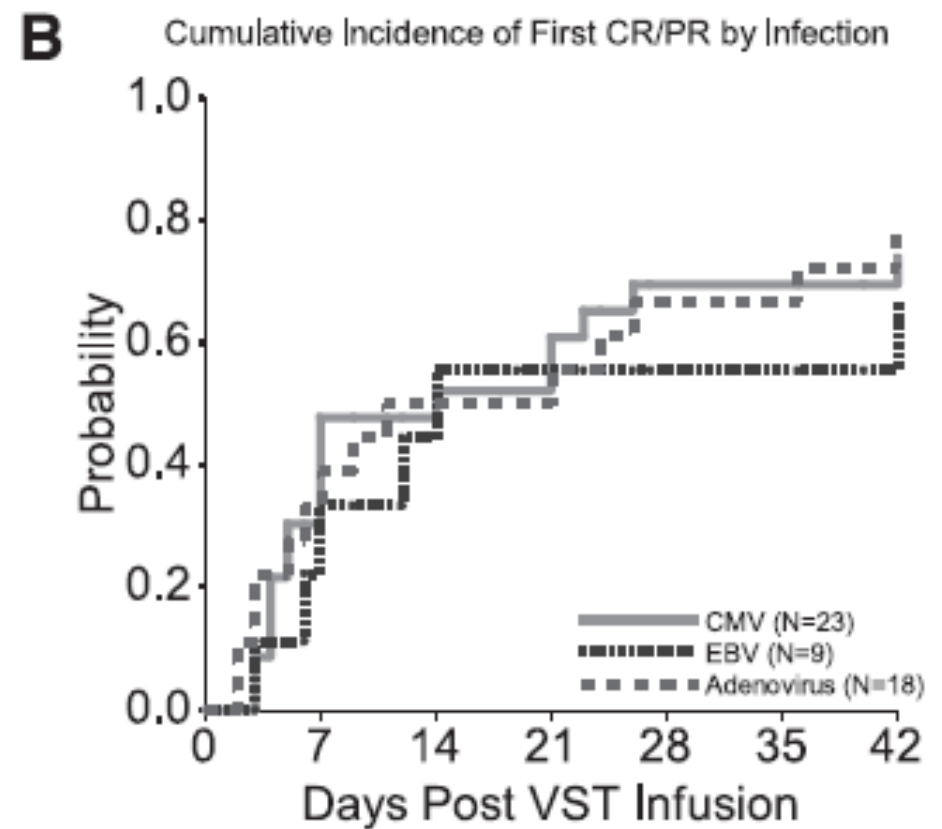
	Infection cohort			Total (n=50)
	AdV (n=18)	CMV (n=23)	EBV (n=9)	
<b>HLA match (recipient to first VST line) (n, %)*</b>				
1/6	5 (27.8)	4 (17.4)	3 (33.3)	12 (24.0)
2/6	9 (50.0)	12 (52.2)	3 (33.3)	24 (48.0)
3/6	3 (16.7)	6 (26.1)	3 (33.3)	12 (24.0)
4/6	1 (5.6)	1 (4.3)	0 (0.0)	2 (4.0)
<b>Number of infusions (n, %)</b>				
1	15 (83.3)	17 (73.9)	4 (44.4)	36 (72.0)
2	2 (11.1)	4 (17.4)	1 (11.1)	7 (14.0)
3	1 (5.6)	2 (8.7)	3 (33.3)	6 (12.0)
4	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
5	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
6	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (11.1)	1 (2.0)

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At day 42: Overall

74.0 (95% CI: 58.5-89.5)



At day 42:

CMV 73.9 (95% CI: 51.2-96.6)

EBV 66.7 (95% CI: 36.9-96.5)

AdV 77.8 (95% CI: 53.7-100)



**Table 5. Maximal acute GVHD grade within 45 days of first infusion**

Virus	Maximum acute GVHD grade									
	0		I		II		III		IV	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
CMV (n = 23)	19	(82.6)	3	(13.0)	1	(4.4)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)
EBV (n = 9)	8	(88.9)	1	(11.1)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)
AdV (n = 18)	15	(83.3)	2	(11.1)	0	(0.0)	1	(5.6)	0	(0.0)
Total (n = 50)	42	(84.0)	6	(12.0)	1	(2.0)	1	(2.0)	0	(0.0)

## Allogeneic virus-specific T cells with HLA alloreactivity do not produce GVHD in human subjects

The authors reviewed their clinical experience with adoptive transfer of allogeneic HSCT donor derived virus specific CTLs in 153 recipients, including 73 where there was an HLA mismatch.

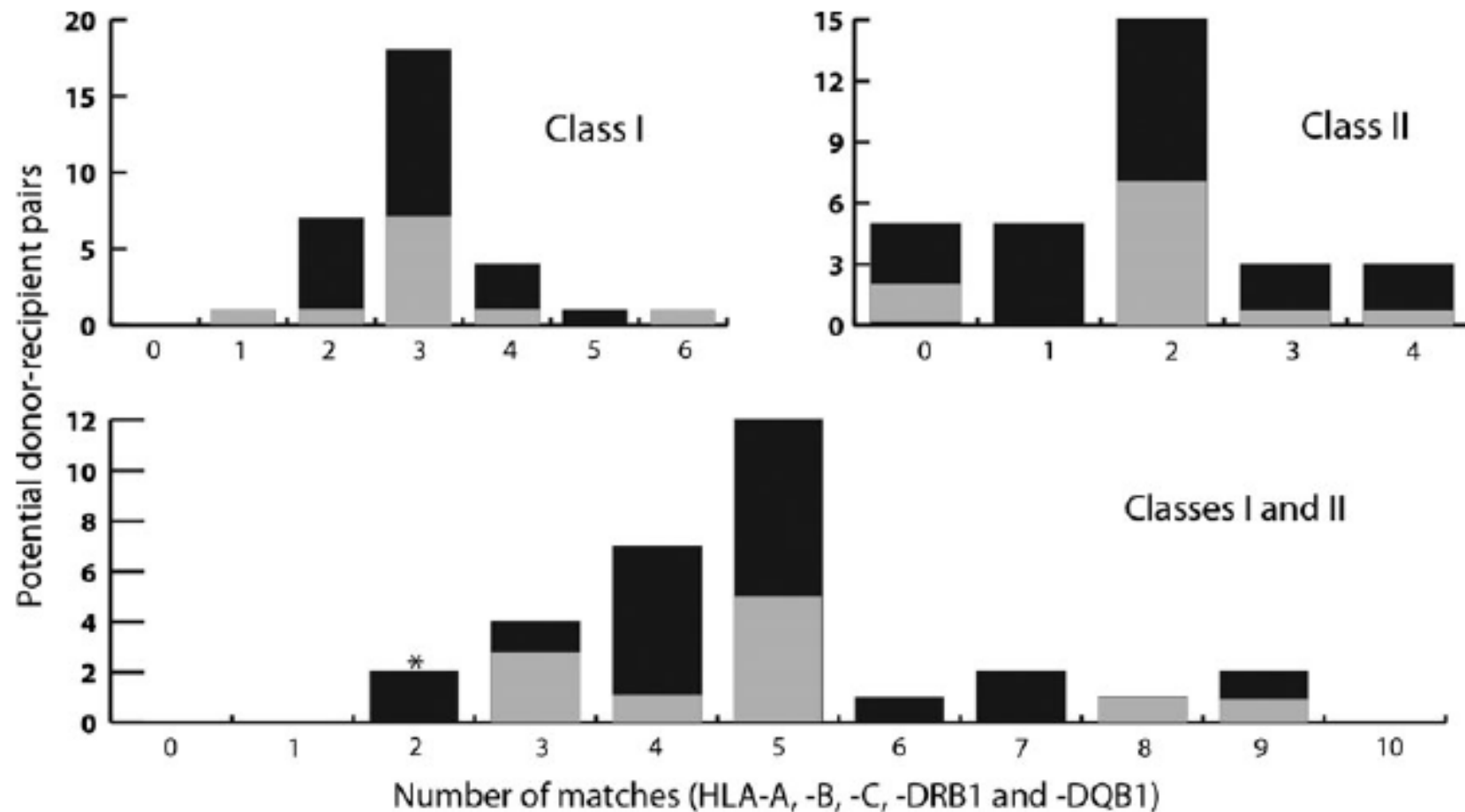
**Table 1. Overall incidence of acute GVHD**

Study	Donor/recipient matching	No. of patients	Acute GVHD
EBV-specific CTLs	Haploidentical family member	13	1 grade 1 (preexisting)
	Mismatched unrelated donor	34	2 grade 1 1 grade 2
	Matched donor	67	3 grade 1 1 grade 2
Bivirus-specific CTLs	Haploidentical family member	6	None
	Mismatched unrelated donor	5	None
	Matched donor	3	None
Trivirus-specific CTLs	Haploidentical family member	9	None
	Mismatched unrelated donor	6	1 grade 1
	Matched donor	10	1 grade 1



15 well-selected New Zealand donors could cover 57% of the Scottish patient population. This rose to 85% with 25 donors.  $25\text{--}50 \times 10^9$  mononuclear cells (MNCs) were collected from each of 25 donors into 10 bags by apheresis, cryopreserved in 10% dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO), then shipped to the UK in vapour phase liquid nitrogen (Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service)..

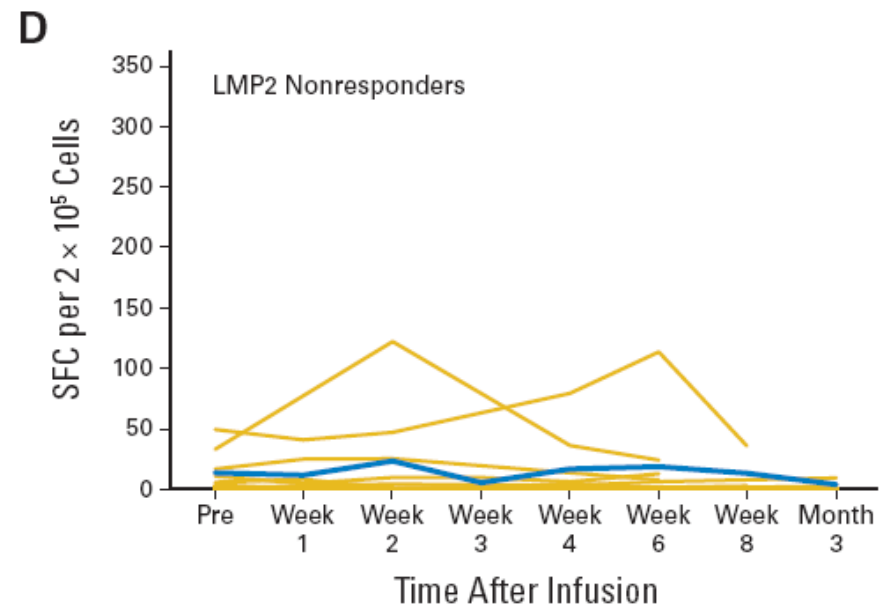
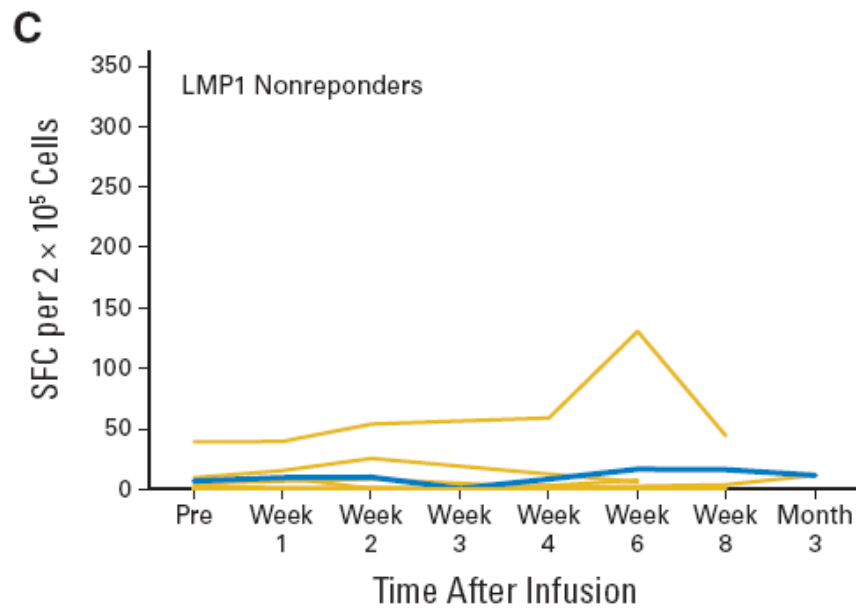
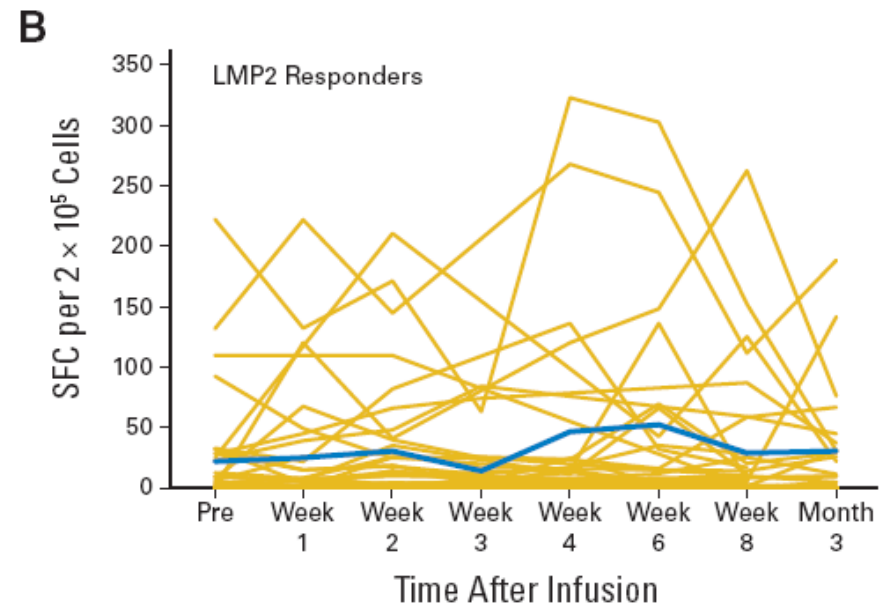
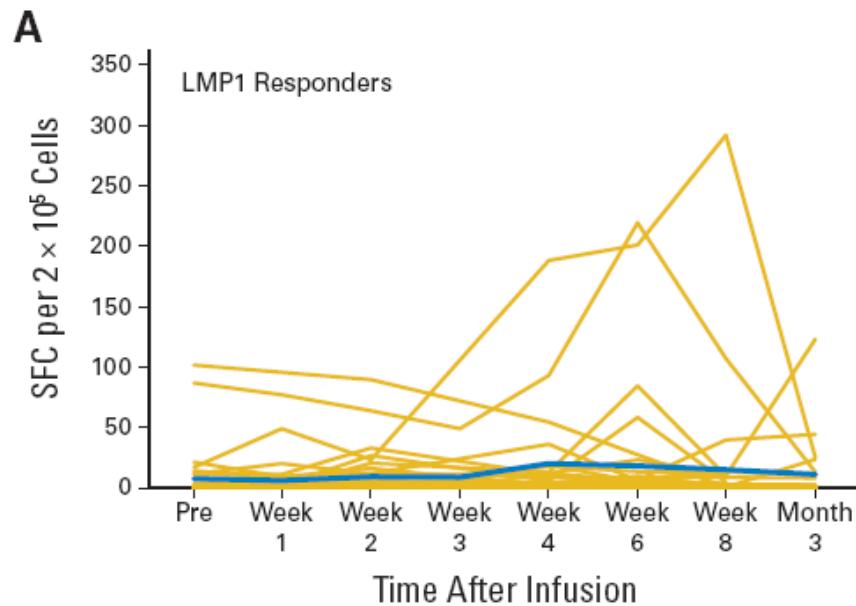
## EBV specific banks to treat EBV associated lymphoproliferative disease



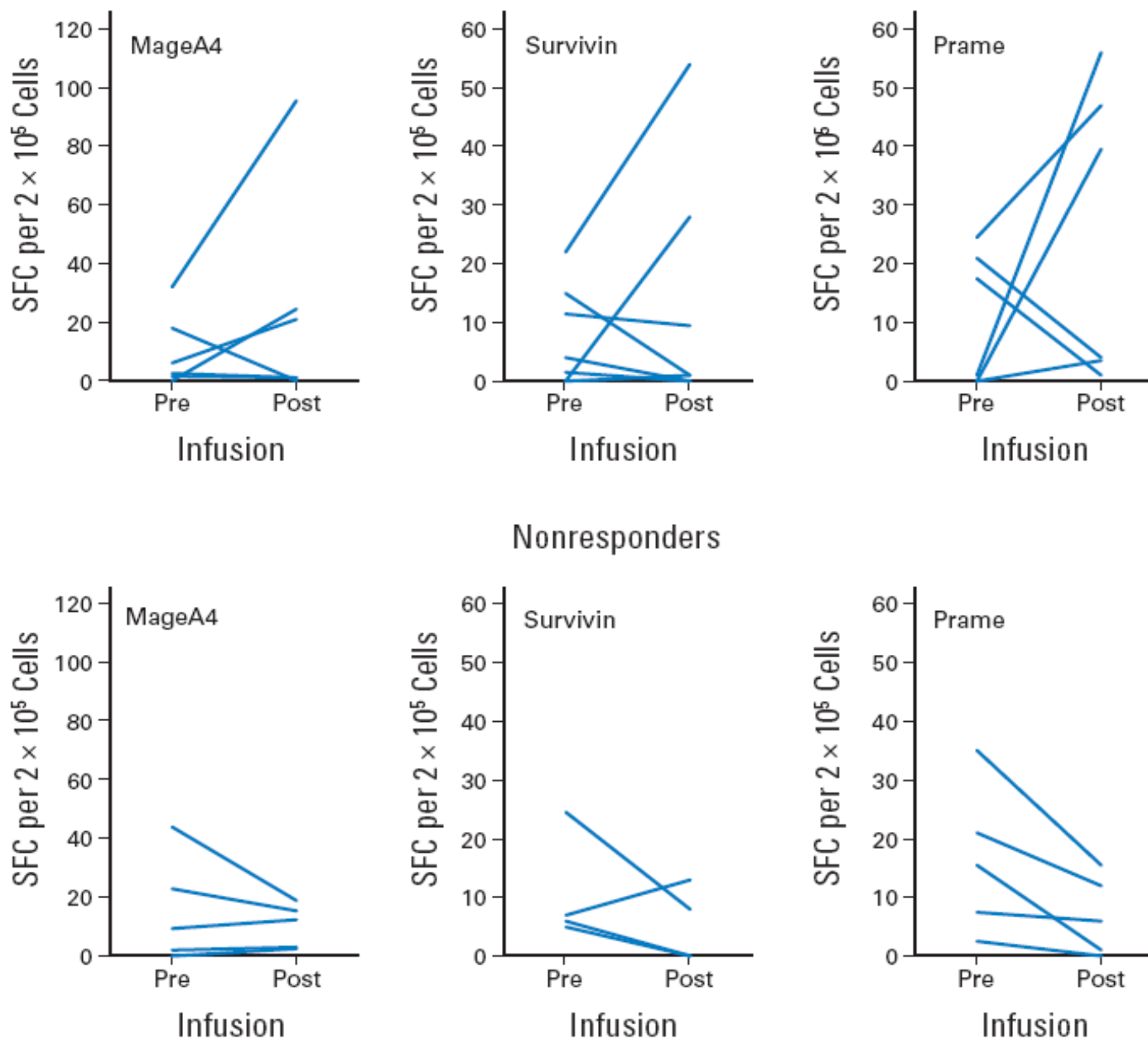
Human leucocyte antigen matching of donors with recipients. The number of matches at five human leucocyte antigen (HLA) loci are shown as histograms of the best matched prospective recipient–donor pairs. Matches that resulted in cytotoxic T lymphocyte infusions are shown in grey, those that did not in black. For two pairs, information was only available at HLA class I.



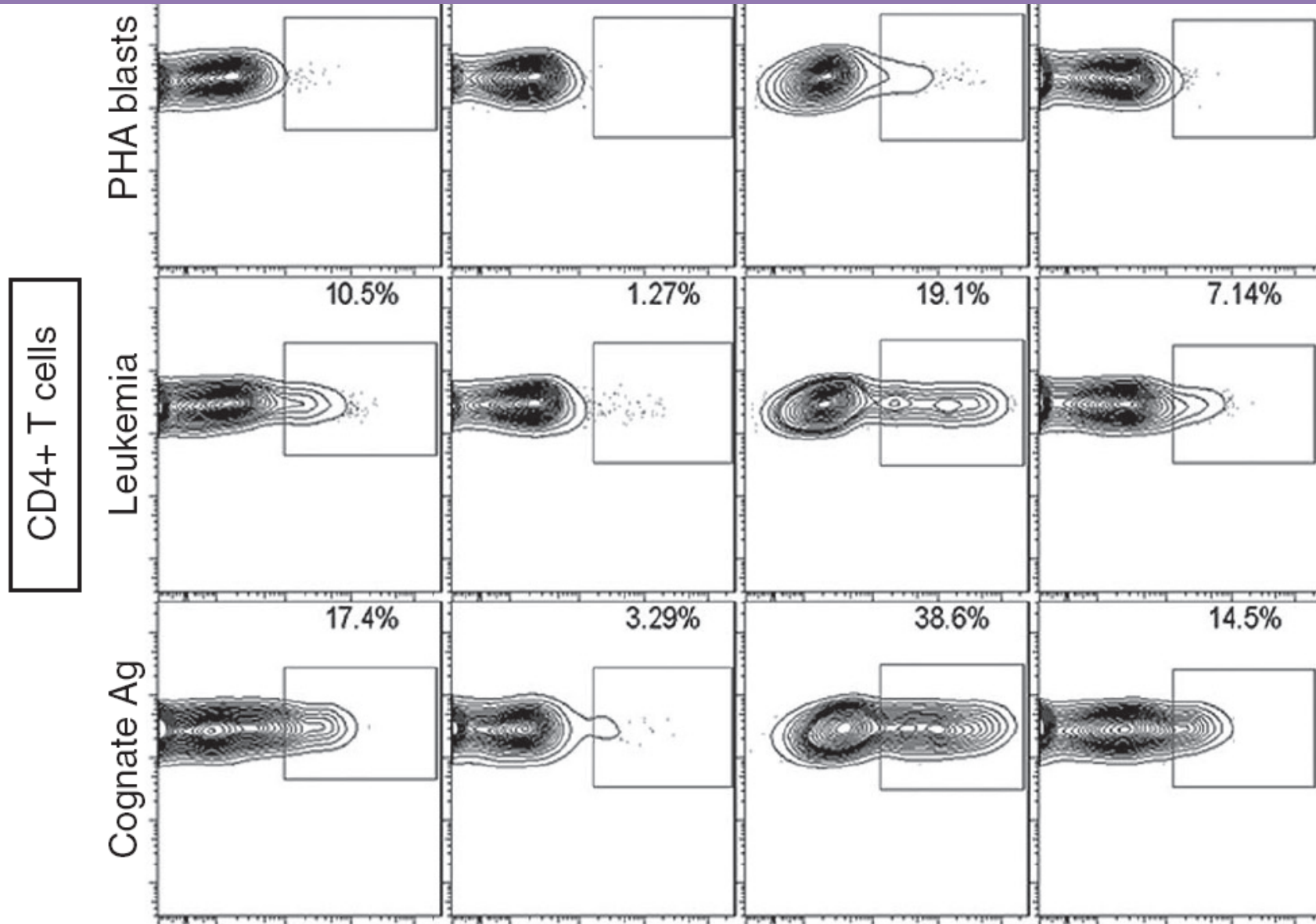
# Type II or III EBV positive lymphoma treated with autologous LMP CTL Frequency of LMP specific and tumor antigen specific T cells



# Type II or III EBV positive lymphoma treated with autologous LMP CTL Evidence for epitope spreading in 12 patients with lymphoma



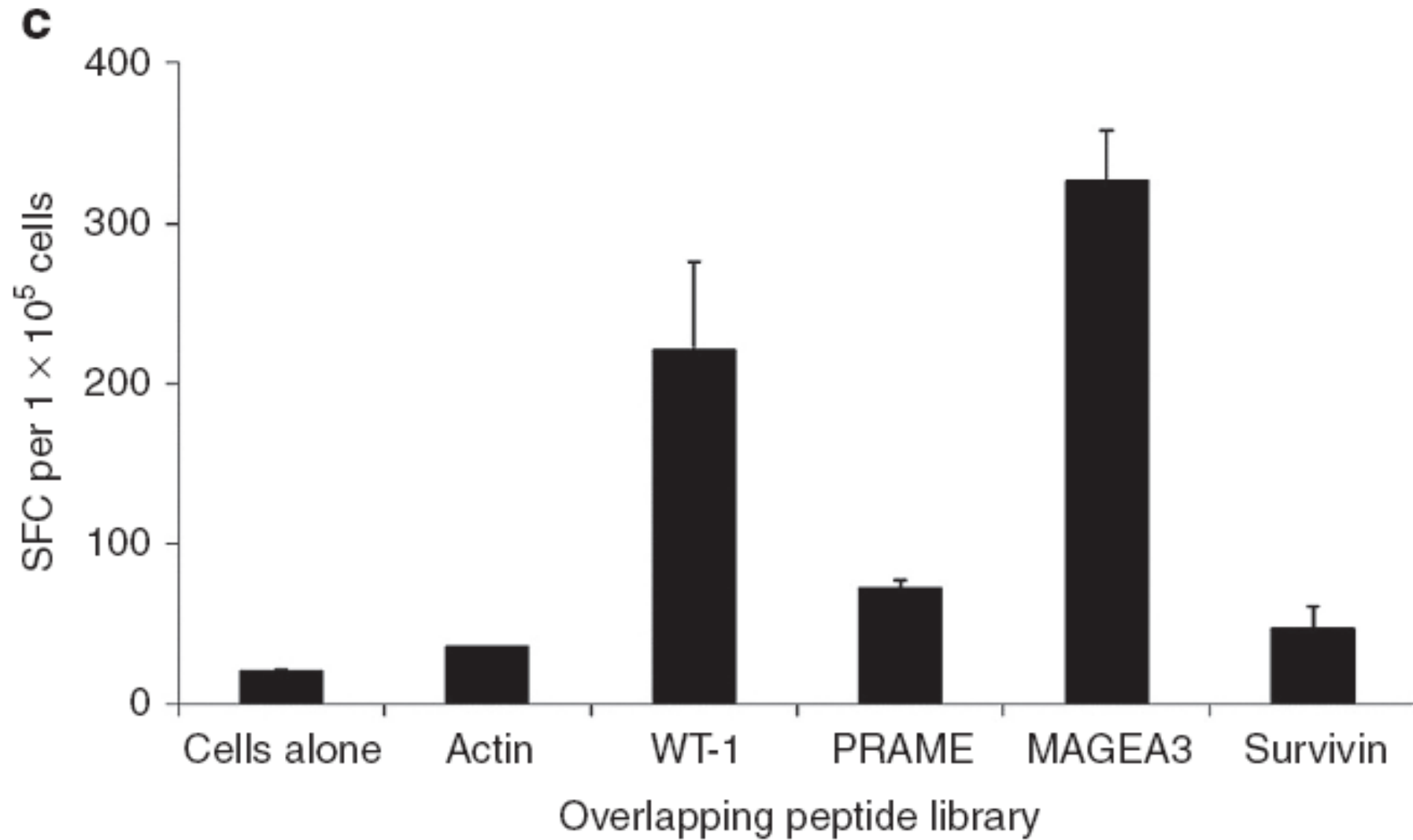
# GVL without GVH by Multivirus specific T cells



12 yrs boy with RR-ALL haplotransplanted from the mother



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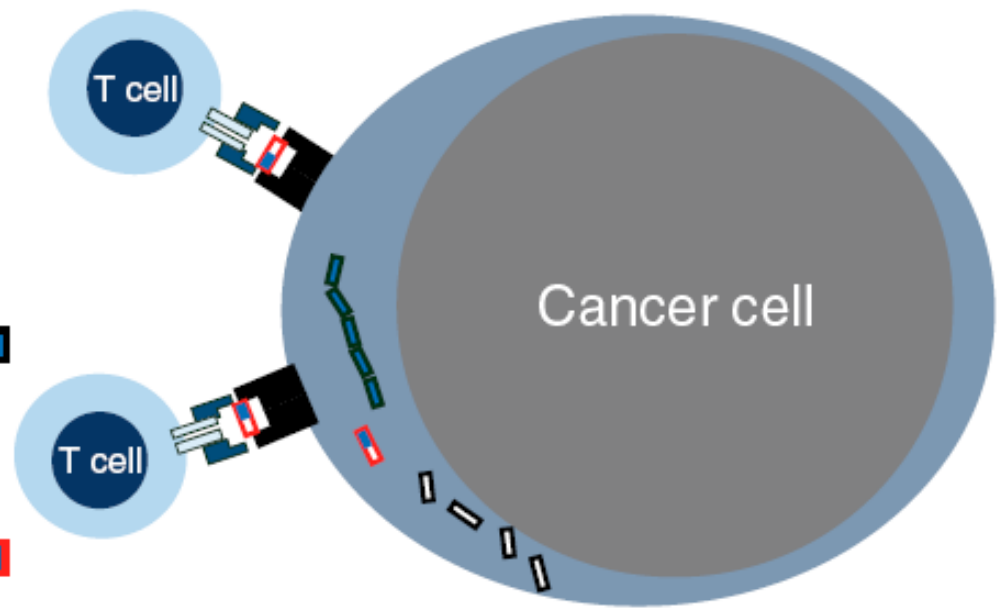
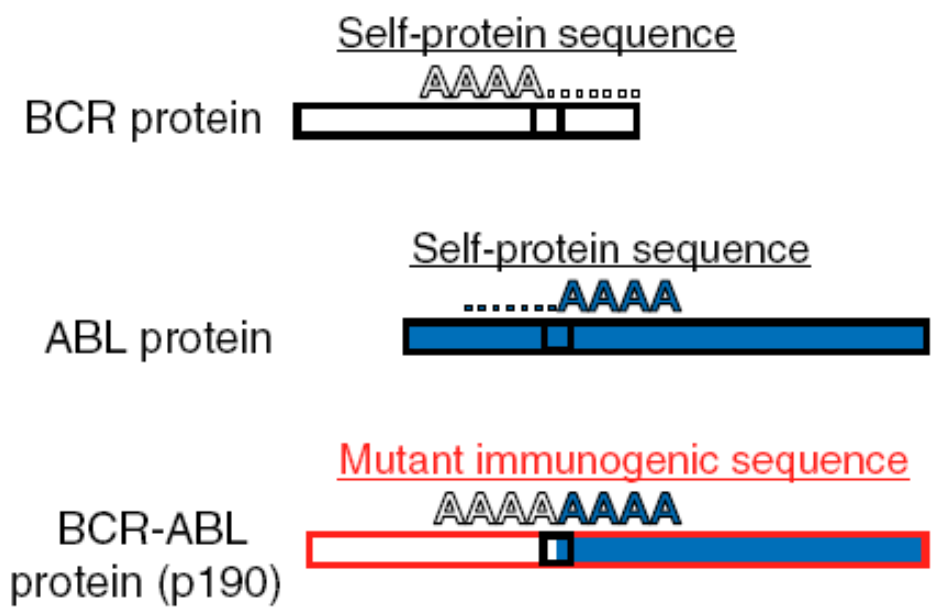
# Generation and administration of HA-1-specific T-cell lines for the treatment of patients with relapsed leukemia after allogeneic stem cell transplantation

**Table 1.** Characteristics of the HA-1-specific CD8<sup>+</sup> T-cell lines generated for *in vivo* administration.

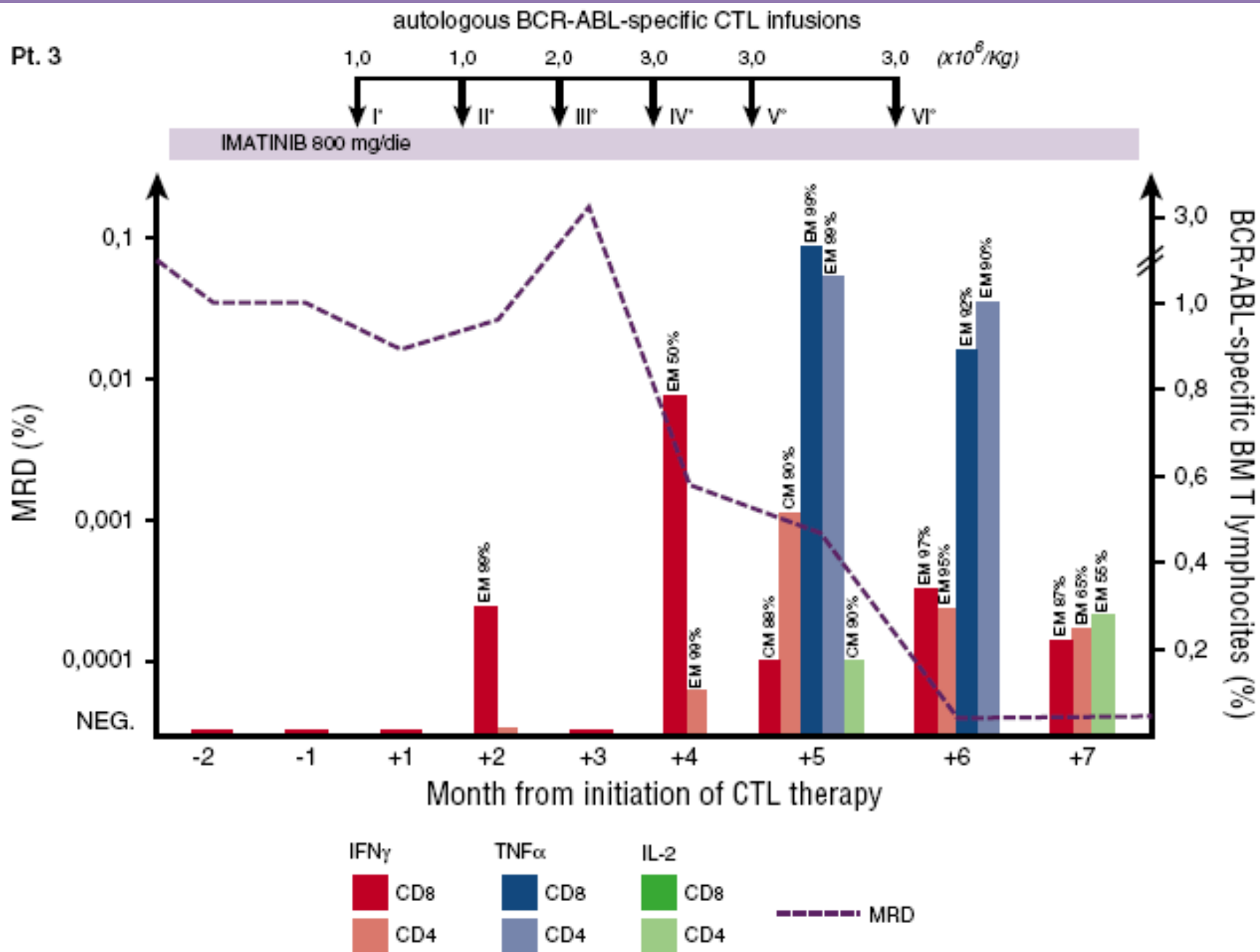
CTL Line	Culture period (days)	Cells (x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	CD8 <sup>+</sup> HA-1 <sup>+</sup> T cells (x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Composition T-cell line (% positive cells)			Phenotype HA-1 <sup>+</sup> T cells (% positive cells)					Cytotoxicity (% lysis) <sup>1</sup>			
				CD4	CD8	CD8 <sup>+</sup> HA-1 <sup>+</sup>	CD45RO	CD45RA	CCR7	CD27	CD28	PHA <sup>2</sup> donor - peptide	PHA <sup>2</sup> donor + peptide <sup>3</sup>	PHA patient	Leukemia
<b>Administered</b>															
NMJ - 1	30	869	243	12	84	27	84	51	1	93	30	8	72	56	n.a.
KHP	38	56	11	3	89	19	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	5	57	30	61 <sup>4</sup>
AHP - 2	35	325	20	1	61	6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6 <sup>4</sup>	63 <sup>4</sup>	68 <sup>4</sup>	13 <sup>4</sup>
<b>Not-administered</b>															
NMJ - 2	34	30	11	20	80	36	98	2	5	85	11	1	58	43	n.a.
UBW	29	600	60	1	70	10	99	29	0	74	85	1	59	64	35
FPW - 3	28	6200	372	9	91	6	97	21	2	71	75	2	39	64 <sup>4</sup>	60 <sup>4</sup>
VWX	35	239	14	11	70	6	99	7	0	30	73	3	83	34	n.a.
AHP - 3	37	660	224	1	82	34	99	0	8	4	46	0	61	37	32
AHP - 4	36	3600	252	2	90	7	99	0	8	12	18	0	38	35	36 <sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Percentage lysis after 4 h in a <sup>51</sup>Cr release assay, E:T ratio of 30:1; <sup>2</sup>PHA blasts; <sup>3</sup>Pulsed with HA-1 peptide; <sup>4</sup>lysis after 24 h and E:T ratio 10:1; n.a.: not available.

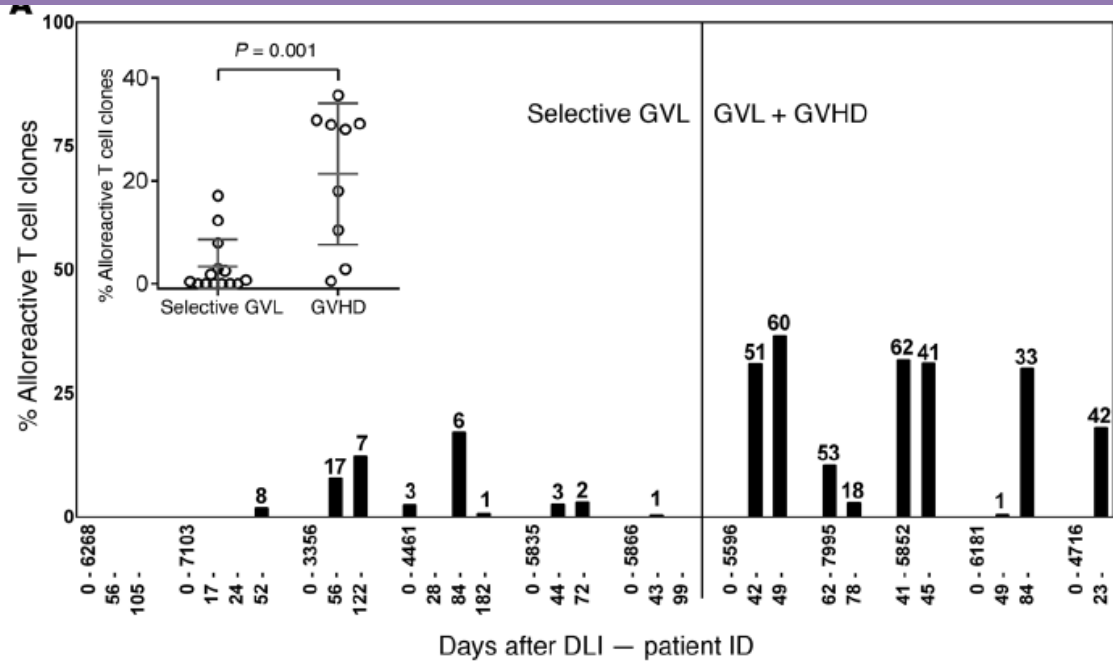
Three patients were treated with HA-1-specific T-cell lines. After infusion, no toxicity was observed, showing that administration of these T-cell lines was safe. Although in one patient, during a period of stable disease, HA-1-specific T cells could be detected in the peripheral blood and bone marrow, no clear clinical response occurred in these patients.



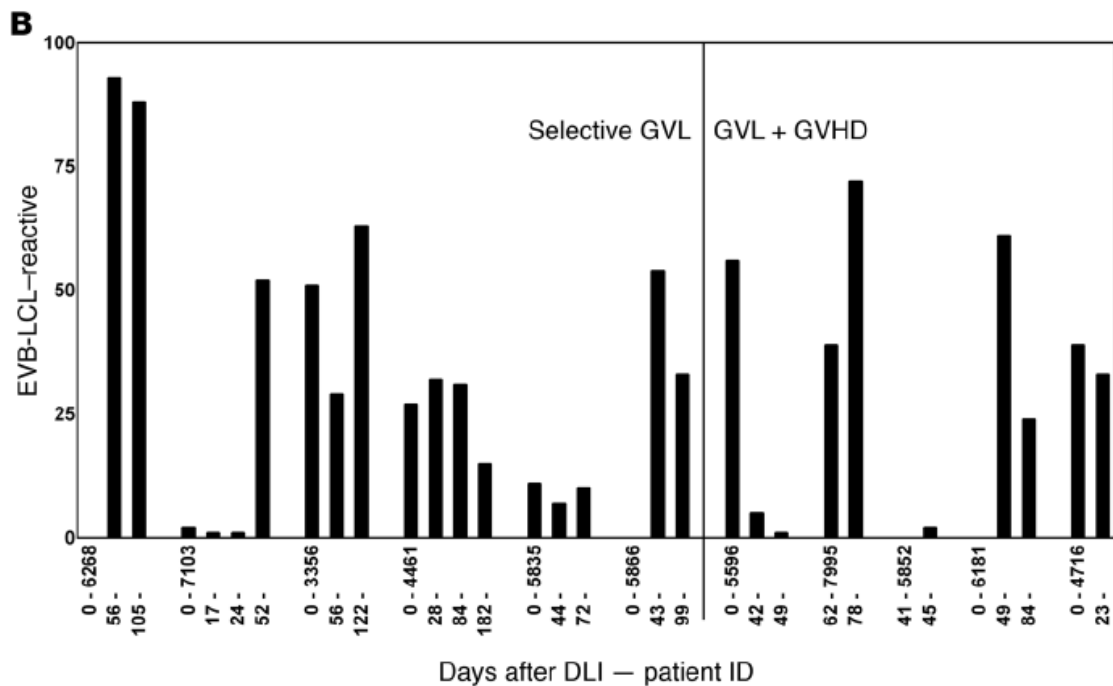
# BCR-ABL-specific T-cell therapy in Ph1 ALL patients on tyrosine-kinase inhibitors

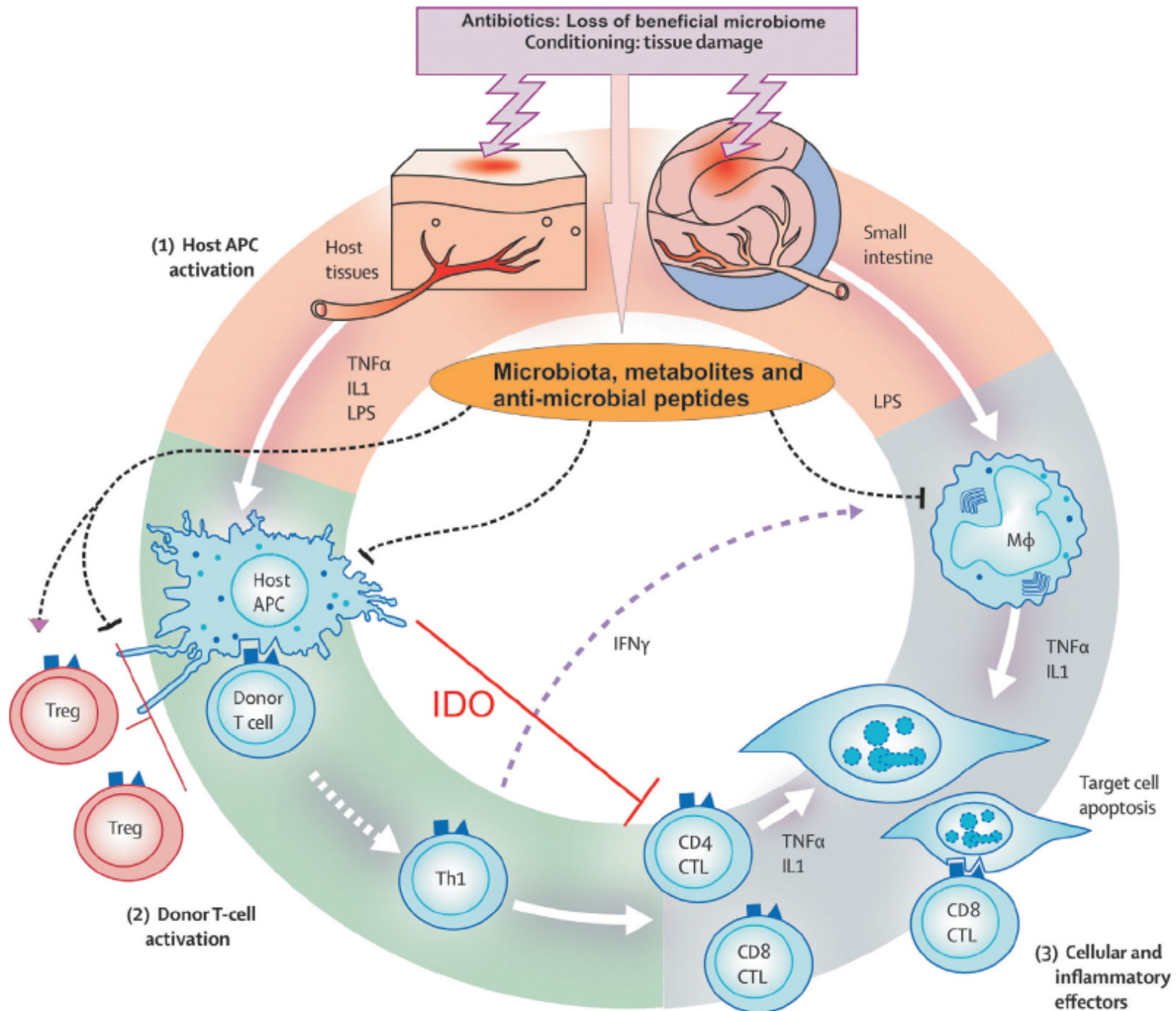


# Selective GVL depends on magnitude and diversity of the alloreactive T cell response: frequencies of alloreactive T cells



Absolute numbers of identified alloreactive T cells clones are depicted on top of the bars.





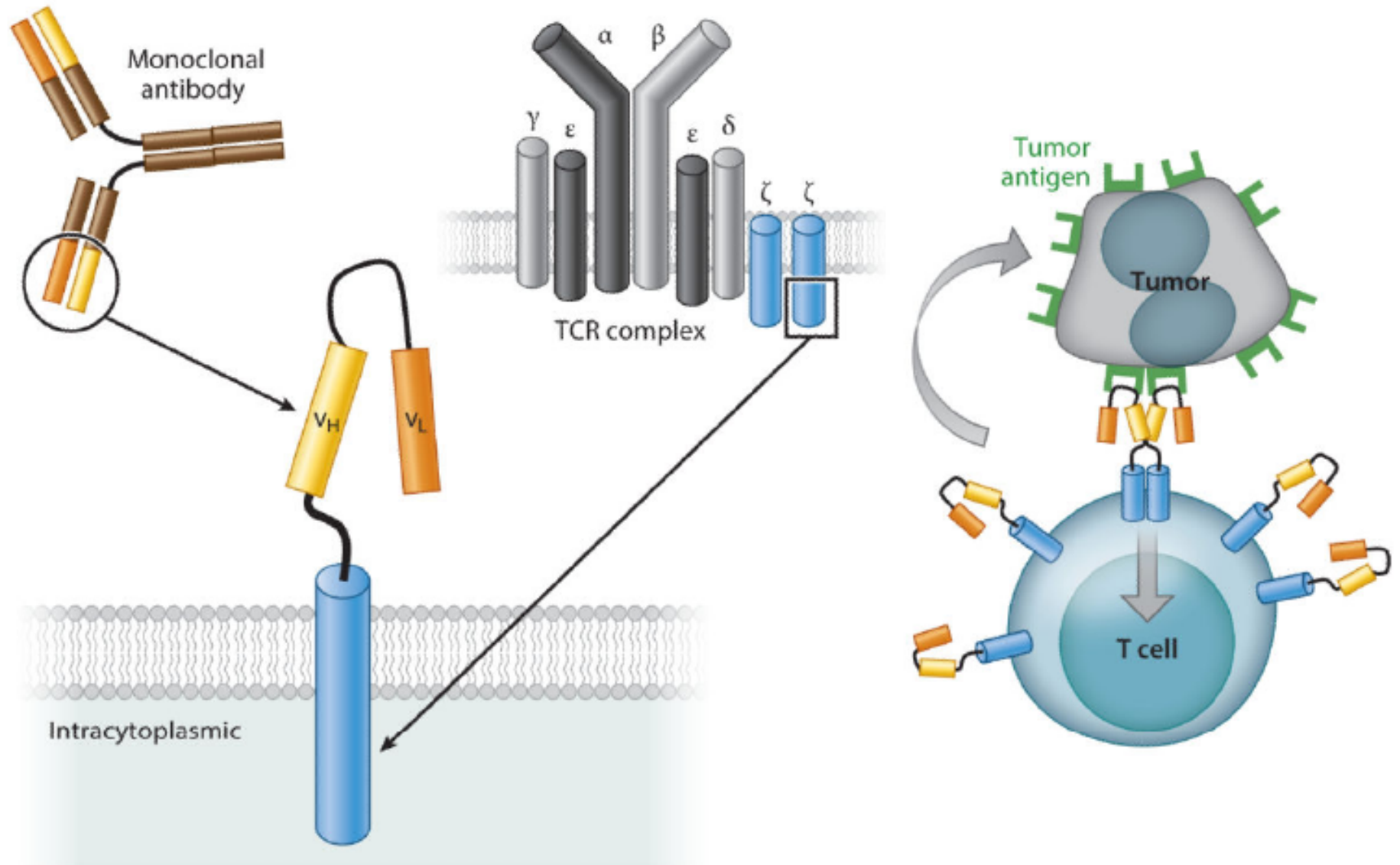
## Adoptive immunotherapy in canine chimeras

DLT (time after marrow transplant)	No. of dogs			Survival time
	Studied	With GVHD	Alive	
—	9	0	9	>2 yr, >2 yr, >2 yr, >2 yr, >2 yr, >2 yr, >2 yr, >2 yr, >2 yr
Day 1+2	2	2	0	51 days, 83 days
Day 21+22	2	2	0	56 days, 72 days
Day 61+62	7	0	7	>2 yr, >2 yr, >2 yr, >2 yr, >2 yr, >2 yr, >2 yr
2 years <sup>a</sup>	1	0	1	>2 yr.
4.5 years <sup>a</sup>	1	0	1	>2 yr.

<sup>a</sup> These dogs had served as controls for 2 years. DLT, donor lymphocyte transfusion.



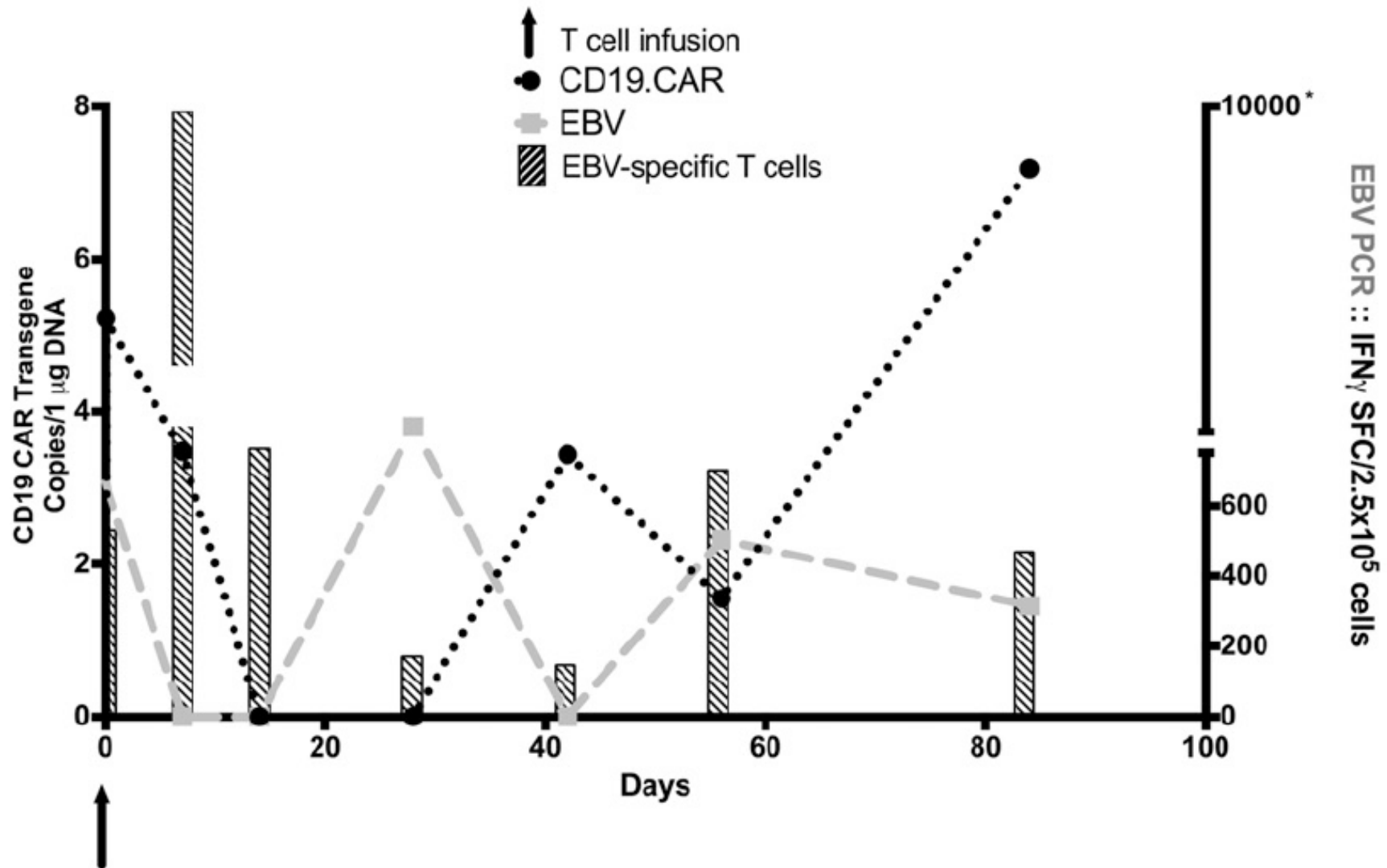
# Basic structure of first generation chimeric antigen receptors (CARs)





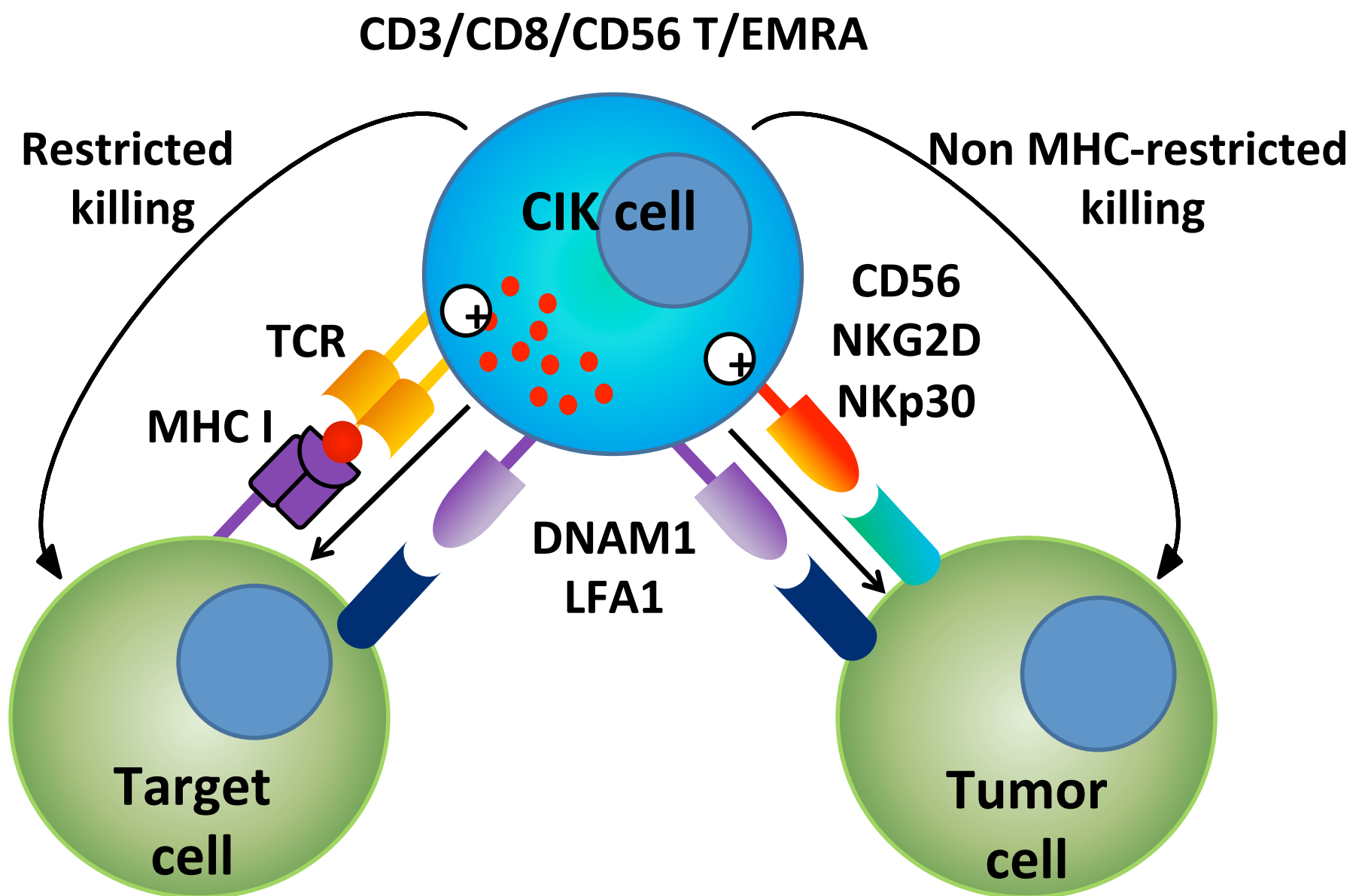
# Donor derived CD19 (CAR) redirected VST for B-cell malignancies relapsed after allo BMT

**B**



EBV reactivation and immune responses in patient 7. Detection of EBV-DNA viral load by Q-PCR (light gray squares), CD19.CAR transgene by Q-PCR (black circles), and EBV-specific T-cell responses (striped bars) by IFN $\gamma$  ELISpot in the PB are illustrated. Arrows denote time of CD19.CAR-VSTs infusions.

This patient is described in complete response after 8 months follow up.



Adapted by Pievani et al, Blood, 2011

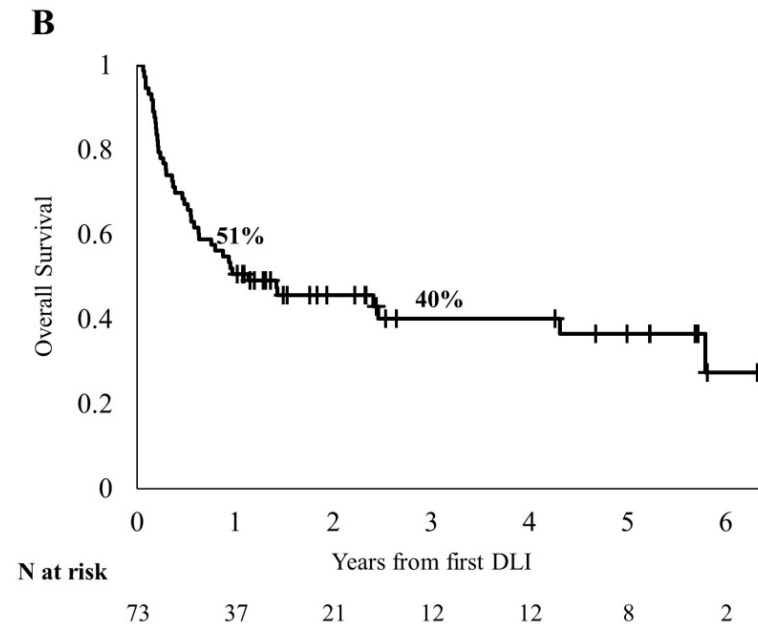
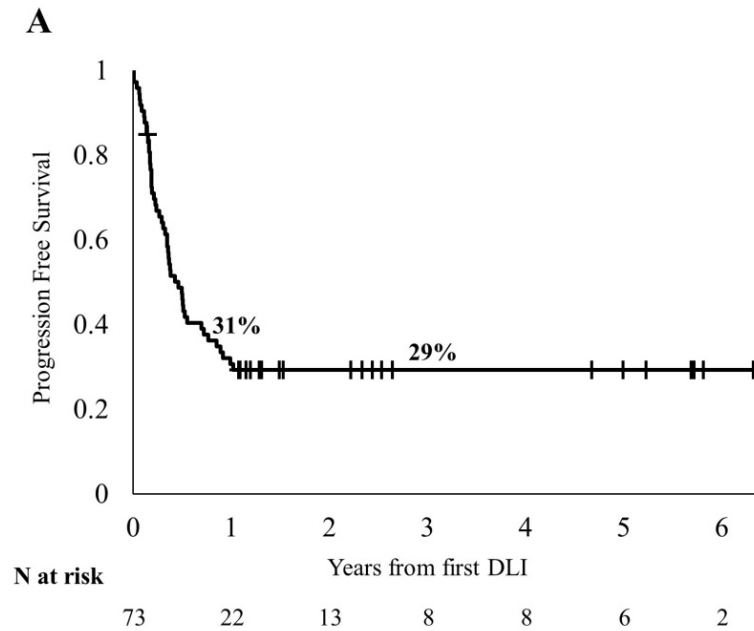
# Phase II study: Clinical Response

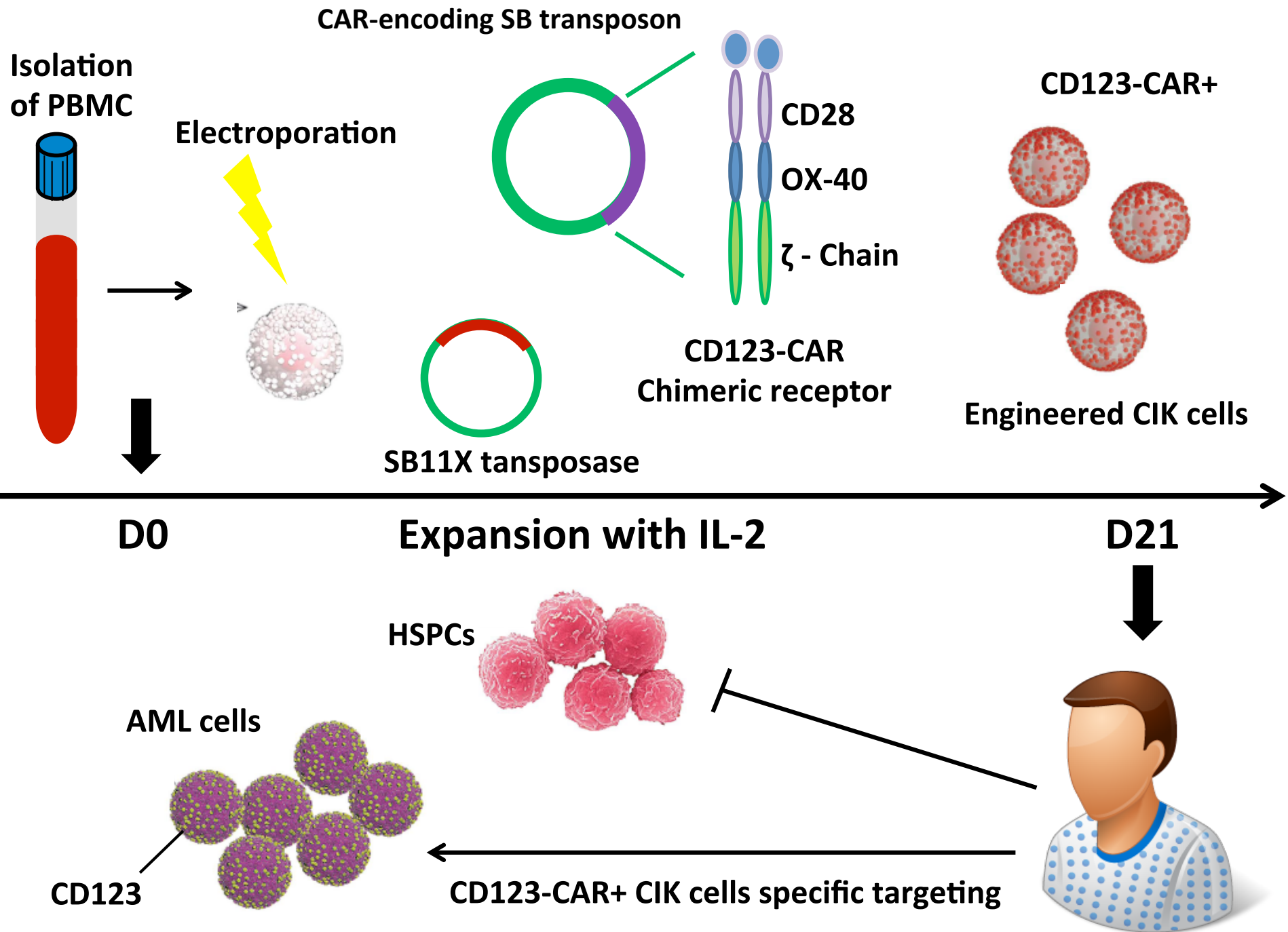
	N	%	
Total evaluable patients	73		
Complete remission	19	26	} 22 (30%) response
Partial remission	3	4	
Stable disease	8	11	
Progression of disease	41	56	
Early death	2	3	

# Phase II study: Toxicity

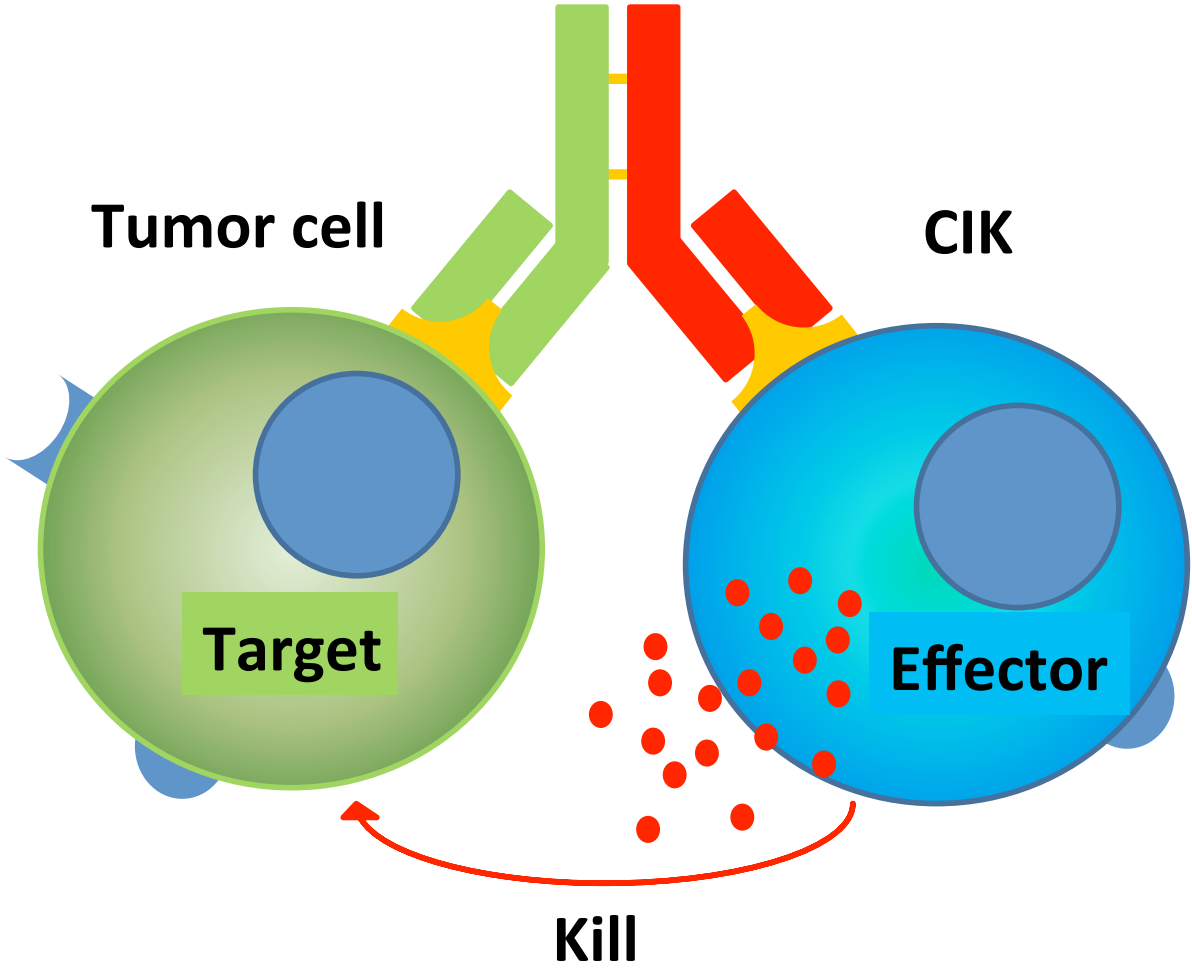
	Grade	N patients (%)	N insurgence during or after DLI treatment	N insurgence during or after CIK treatment
aGvHD	1-2	7 (9)	5	2
	3-4	5 (7)	3	2
cGvHD*	Mild	4 (5)	0	4
	Moderate	5 (7)	0	5
	Severe	2 (3)	1	1
Hemolytic Anemia	N.A.	1 (2)	0	1

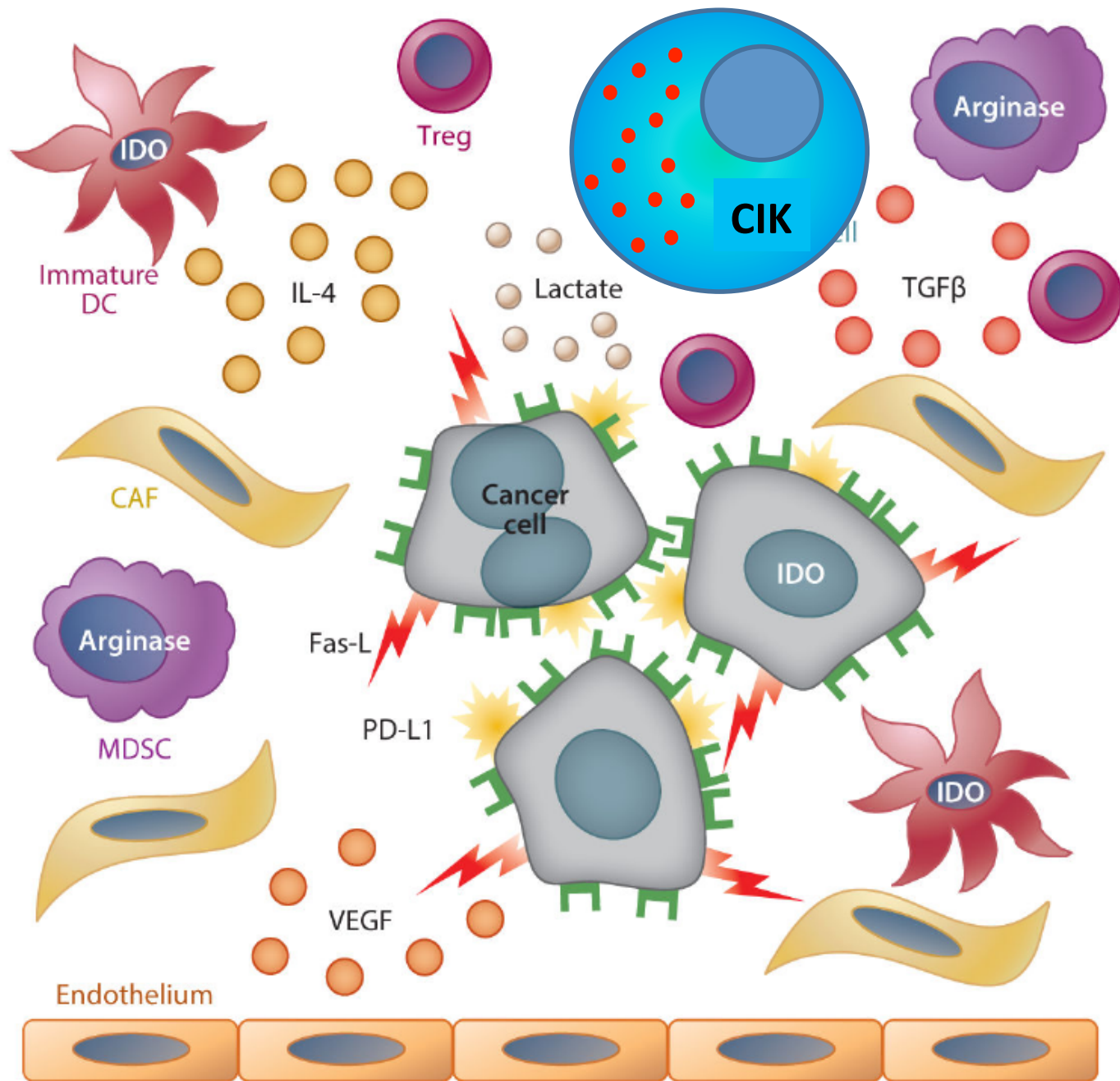
# Phase II study: PFS and OS





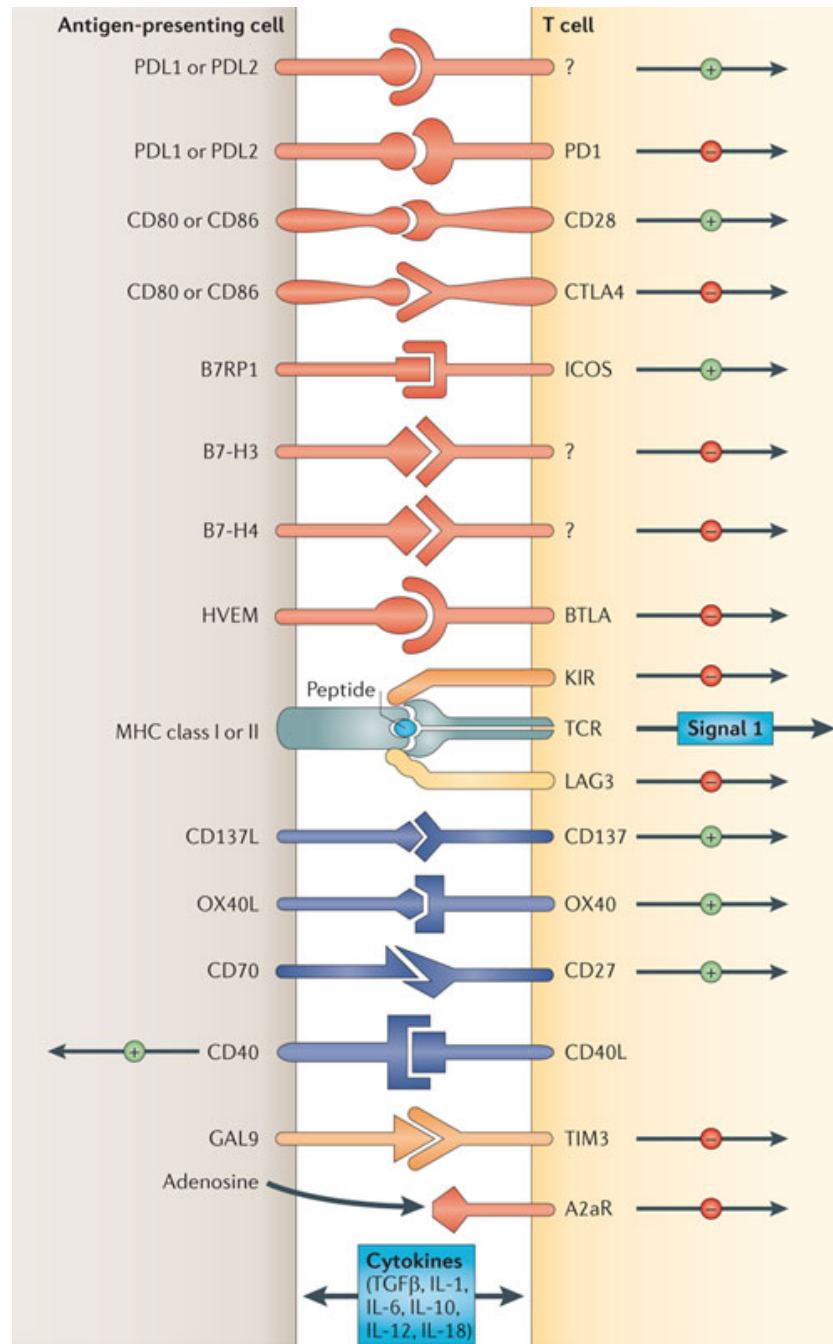
# Bispecific antibody





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Pardoll D. et al, Nature Reviews Cancer, 2012

- L'immunità è perfettamente capace di combattere le infezioni e costituisce un esempio di risposta adattativa a una fortissima pressione selettiva (morte precoce).
- L'immunità non è perfettamente capace di combattere i tumori perché questi non sono una forza selettiva, insorgendo, per lo più, dopo la generazione dei figli.
- Forse si possono immaginare strategie terapeutiche cellulari di combinazione (massimizzando gli effetti (GVL+GVI) e riducendo la tossicità (GVH)).



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