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Agenda

- Introduction to Achilles Therapeutics
- ESGCT Review
- THETIS/CHIRON PI/IIa update
- VELOS™ Manufacturing Process 2 update
- Q&A



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Precision TIL therapy



Two open-label Phase I/IIa clinical trials ongoing in NSCLC and melanoma and next program to enter the clinic in 2022



Interim analysis across NSCLC & melanoma (Process 1) highlights engraftment kinetics, product characterization, and ability to define tumor-reactive component; Open Process 2 high-dose cohort with patient data in 2H 2022



Designing a closed, automated and scalable manufacturing process to deliver over 1,000 doses annually to supply late stage clinical trials and initial commercial products; GMP modular facility is a blueprint for global commercial supply

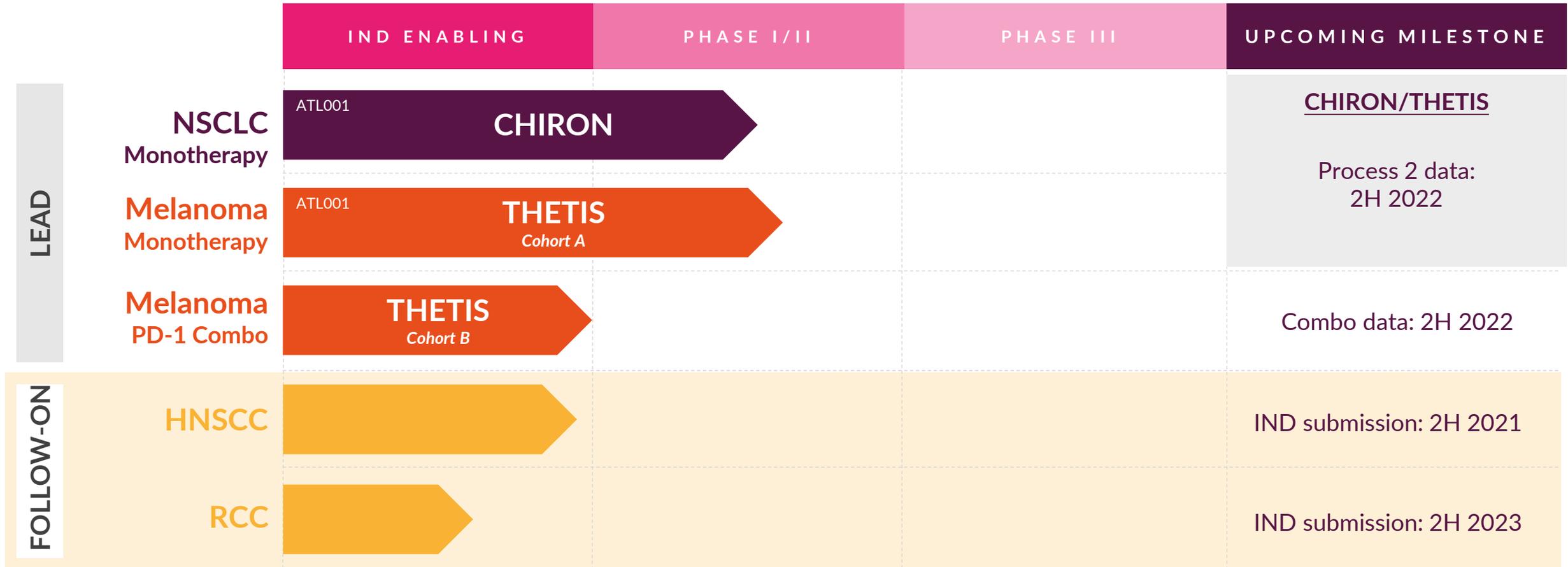


Science based on pioneering research led by Profs. Charlie Swanton, Karl Peggs, Mark Lowdell and Sergio Quezada into tumor evolution, immune-regulation and the translation of precision T cell therapies



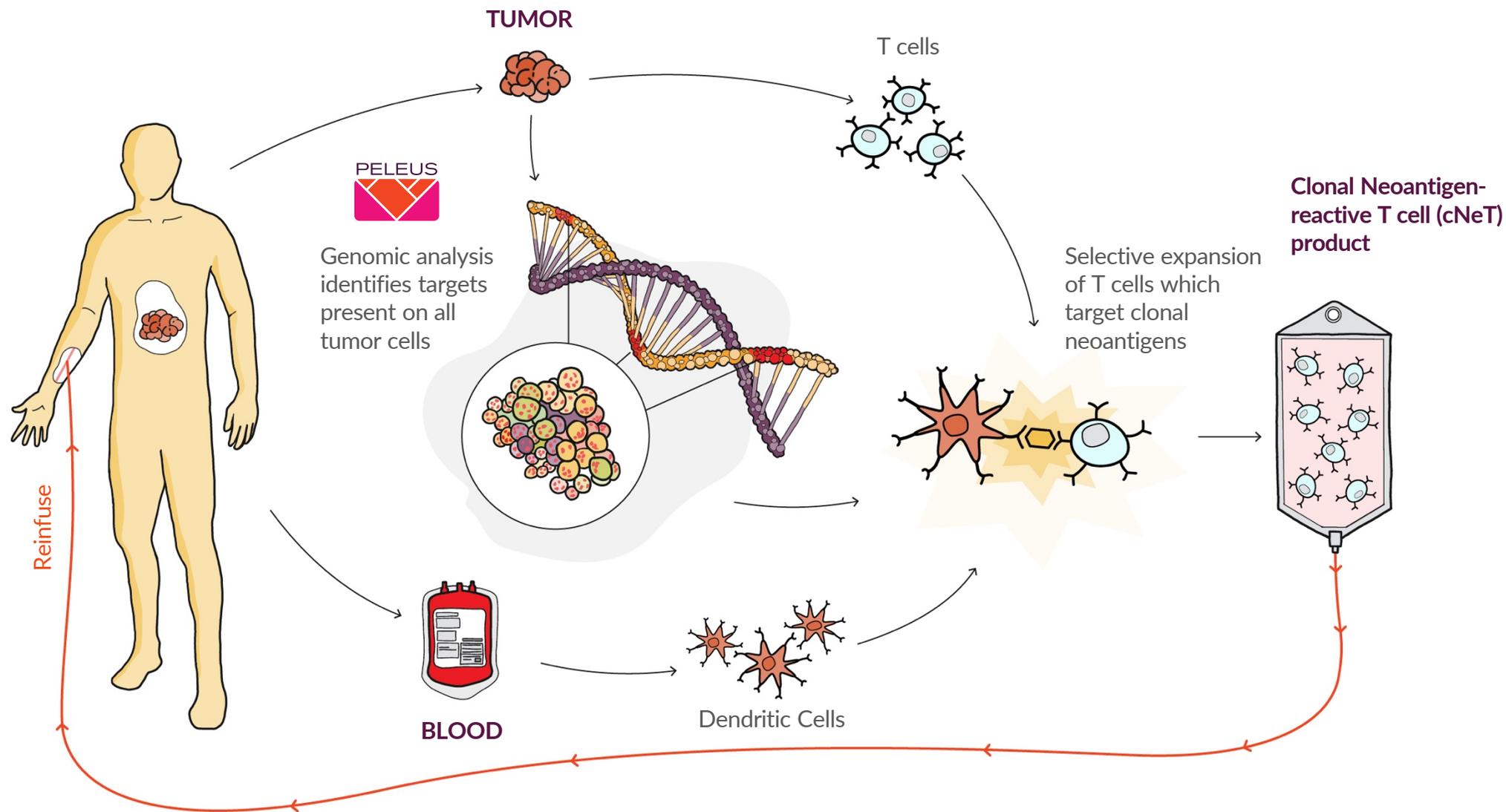
Financed to complete ongoing phase I/IIa clinical trials, expand manufacturing capacity and bring additional programs into the clinic with September 30 cash of \$282M

Our current pipeline

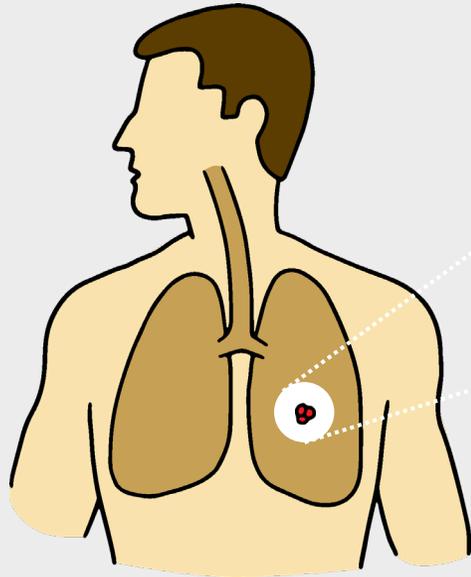


Precision TIL therapy targeting clonal neoantigens

Using cutting edge personalized genomics to target all cells in a patient's tumor



Achilles has developed proprietary technology to target all tumor cells



Tumors are **clonal in origin** and originate from a group of cells that are exactly the same



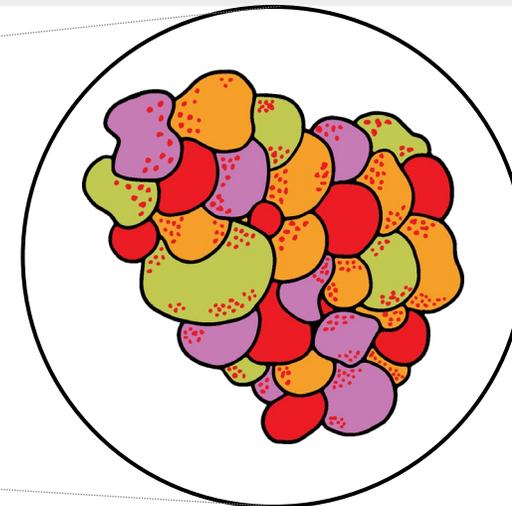
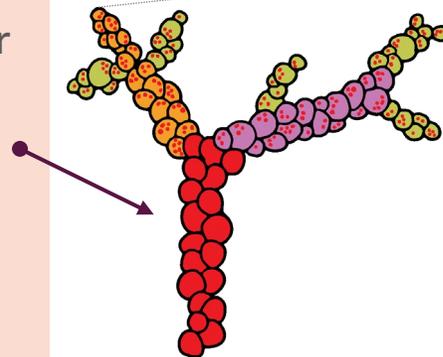
Tumors evolve, developing many new mutations resulting in **heterogeneity** that enables them to evade targeting¹



To kill all of the tumor cells we believe you need to target the **clonal neoantigens formed early in tumor evolution**

Achilles has developed proprietary technology to identify the original tumor mutations **present on all cancer cells, clonal neoantigens**

We are able to identify and **target multiple clonal neoantigens** with our Clonal Neoantigen-reactive T cell (cNeT) therapy



Clonal neoantigens are present on **primary tumors and all metastases**



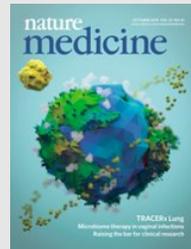
TRACERx

A clinical study of tumor evolution

The TRACERx study comprises **multi-region, longitudinal, data from over 780 NSCLC patients** collected over a period of 5 years^{1,2,3,4}

Over **3,000 tumor region samples**, comprising **one of the largest** bioinformatic data sets of its kind

The learnings from TRACERx **can be applied to other solid tumors**



PELEUS®

A proprietary platform to identify clonal neoantigens

We have developed the proprietary **PELEUS** platform, which can identify the patient's unique clonal neoantigens

The PELEUS platform has been built using the **extensive data from TRACERx** combined with our own **proprietary statistical models**

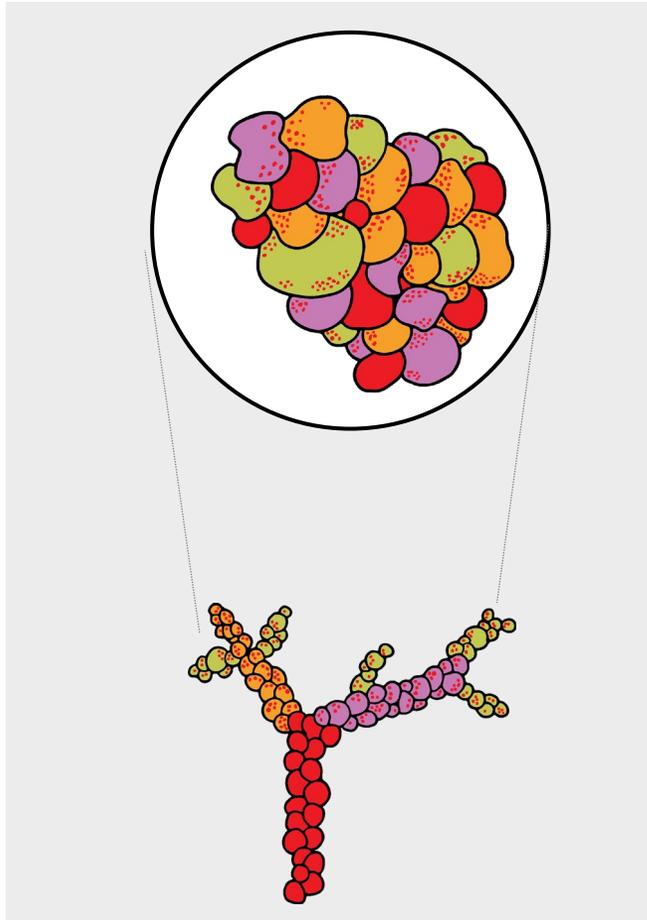
The PELEUS platform is **trained and improved** using new TRACERx data

Our precision TIL therapy specifically targets clonal neoantigens



Clonal neoantigens represent the ideal targets for solid tumor treatment

Unique proteins expressed on every cancer cell within a patient but not on healthy tissue



- Achilles has a unique capability to **target clonal neoantigens**
- Our process can **deliver tumor specificity and potency** improvements over standard TIL
- Clonal neoantigens are **better targets than tumor associated antigens**, which are present on some tumor cells and on healthy tissue
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Achilles is building a transformative oncology business



-  Two ongoing clinical trials with near-term data readouts and plans to add new indications
-  Exclusive access to TRACERx, which gives the unique capability to address clonal neoantigens
-  cNeT platform can target multiple cancer antigens present in all tumor cells
-  Technology allows us to develop a potency-based release assay
-  Robust and commercially scalable manufacturing process designed to be fully closed and automated
-  Cash to complete planned I/IIa clinical trials, expand manufacturing capacity, and broaden pipeline

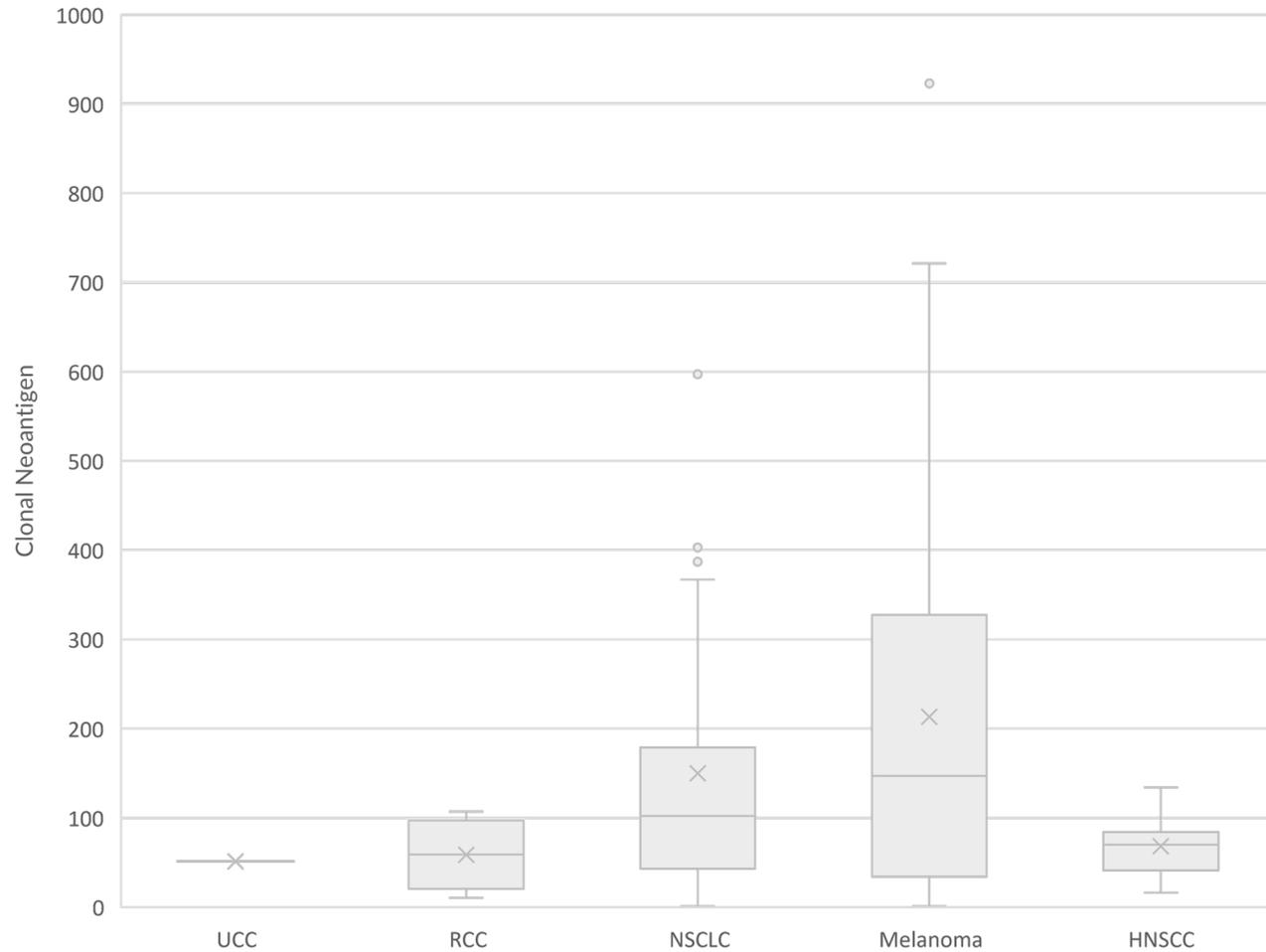


Multicentre, prospective research protocol for development of a clonal neoantigen-reactive T cell therapy pipeline across multiple tumour types

ESCGT 2021

Highlights of presentation given on October 22, 2021

Full presentation at <https://ir.achillestx.com/events-and-presentations>

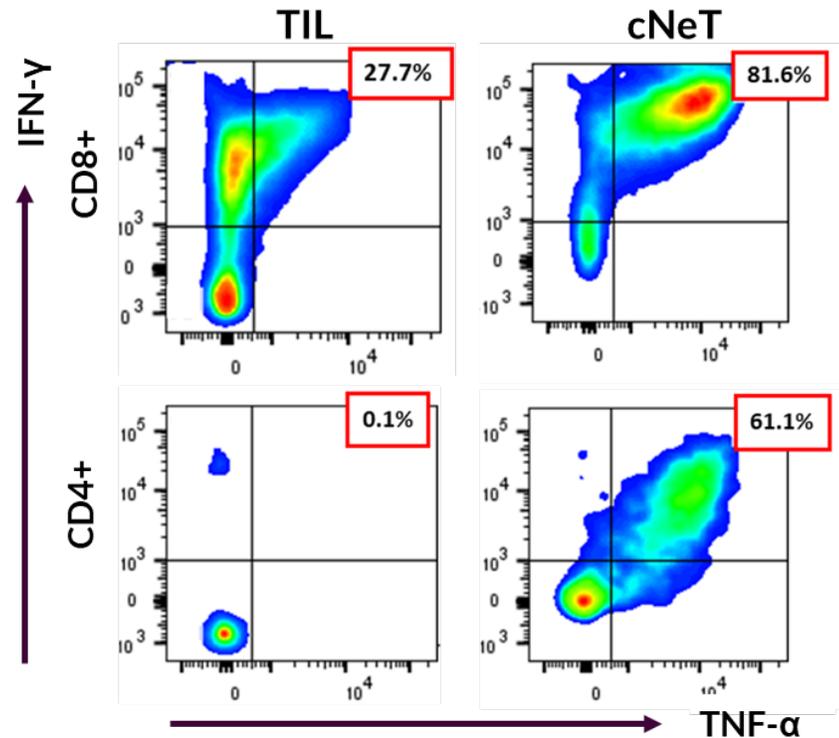


- At time of data cut-off for submission, **n=90 samples** had undergone analysis with **PELEUS™**
- A median of **71 clonals** were identified in Head and Neck samples (n=16)
- This is consistent with what we observe in large **public data sets (TCGA)** where the **median is 68**
- This is a lower median than **NSCLC (107)** and **Melanoma (156)**
- Data for **renal (n=4)** and **bladder (n=1)** still **immature** at time of data cut-off

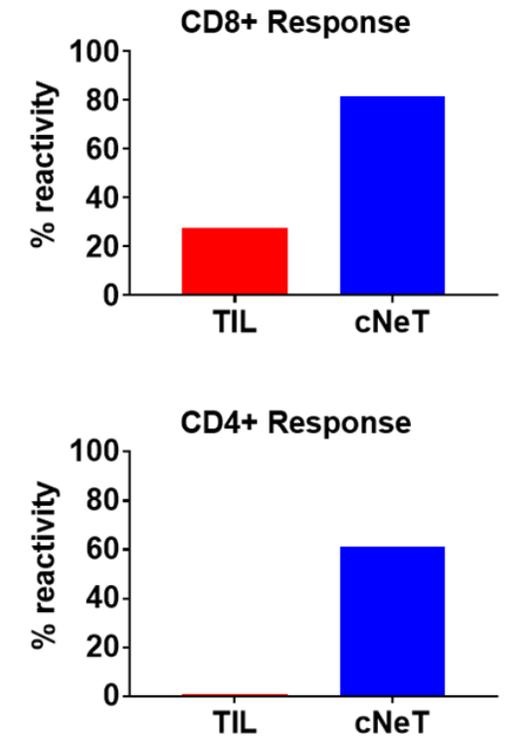


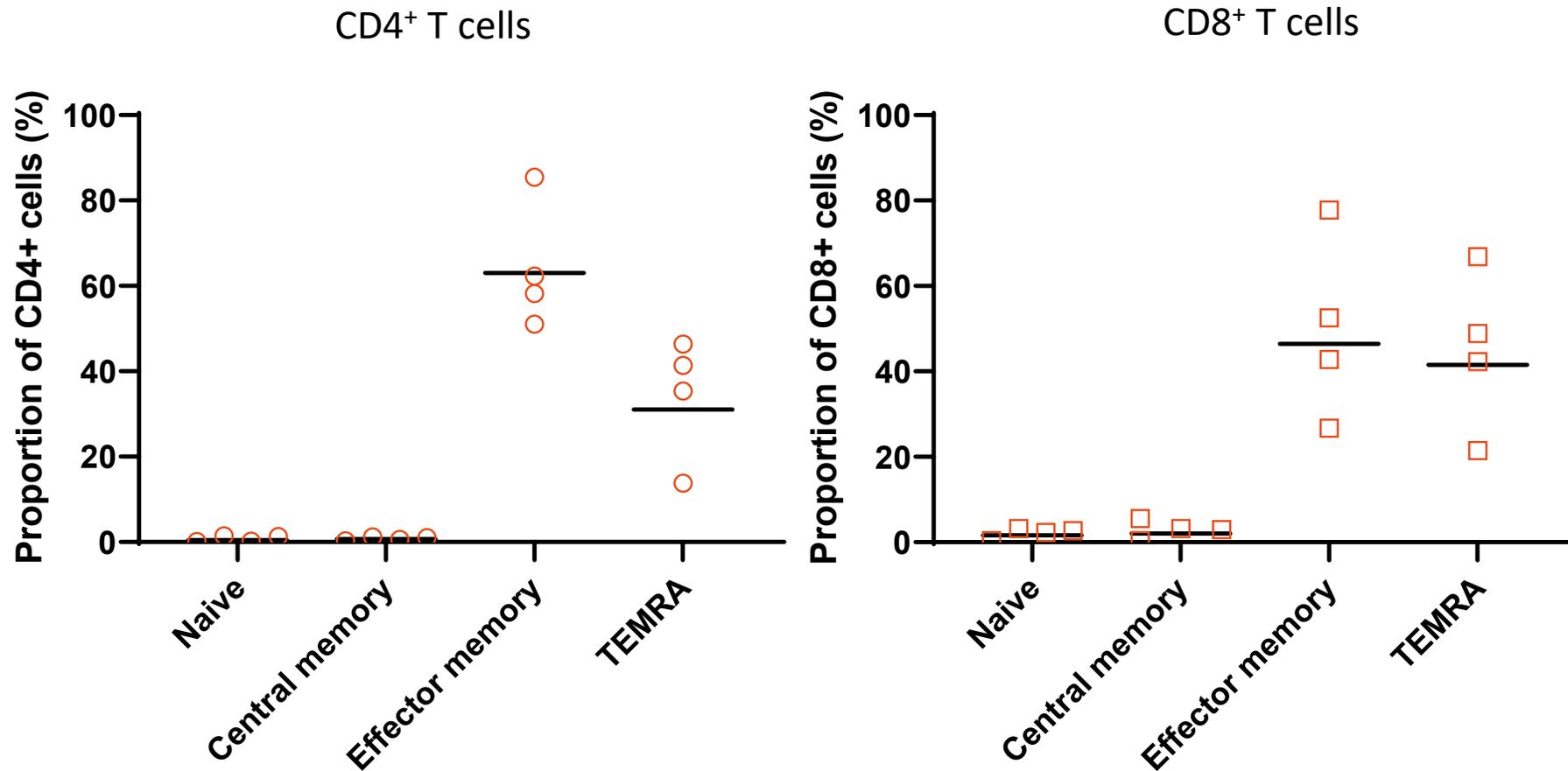
- **VELOS™ manufacturing process** expands **TILs** from tumour fragments whilst **monocyte-derived dendritic cells** are generated from whole blood
- These are then co-cultured after dendritic cells are **pulsed with neoantigen peptides** (determined by PELEUS™) to drive the expansion
- The process delivers both **CD4+ and CD8+ T cells**. There is a strong body of pre-clinical data which shows **CD4+ and CD8+ T cells** can work in concert to deliver **robust and durable responses**¹⁻³

T cell specificity and potency⁴
Cytokine secretion measured through flow cytometric analysis, n=1



T cell specificity and potency⁴
% reactivity, n=1





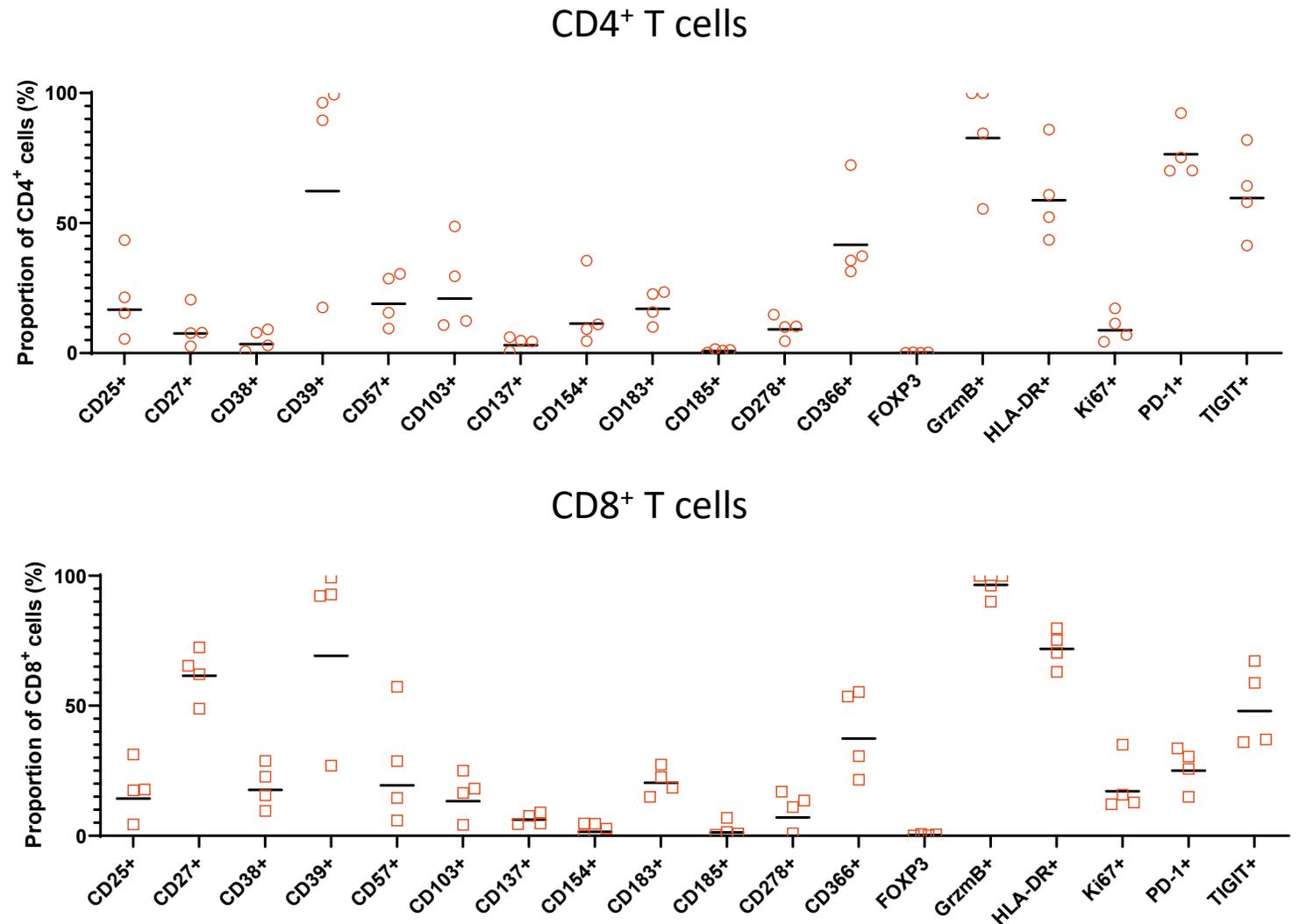
Memory phenotype is dominated by effector memory cells in the process

Full phenotyping of all CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ cells



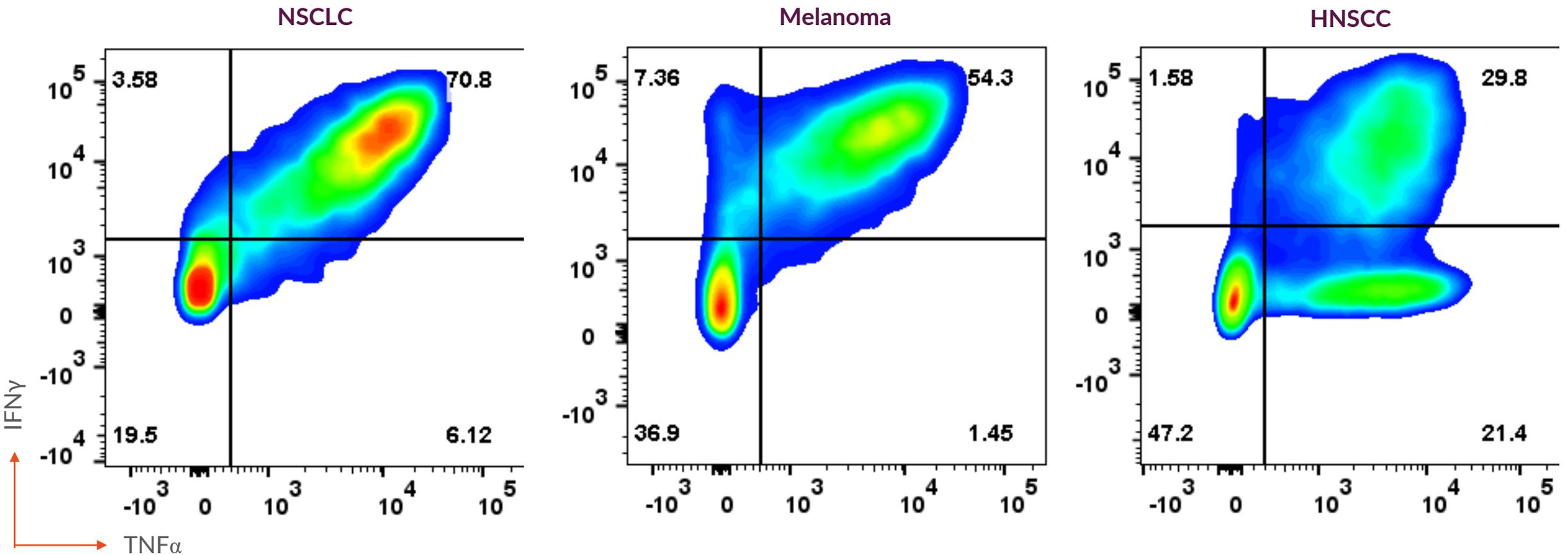
Favourable pattern of phenotypes within both cell types:

- **Conservation of CD25** expression
- **High levels of CD27** expression in CD8⁺ cells
- **Low expression of CD57**



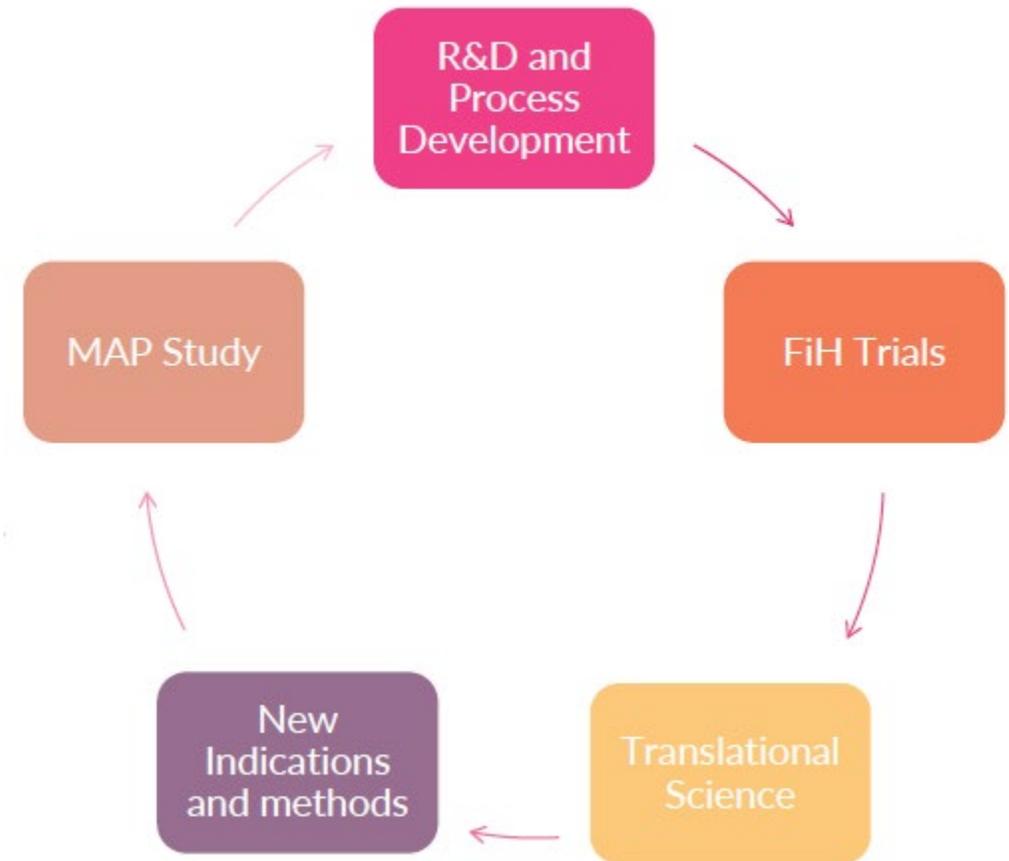
VELOS™ generates with highly potent cNeT cells

Gated CD3⁺-Overnight stimulation with neoantigen peptide pools





- The **Material Acquisition Platform (MAP)** study has been extremely successful in the accumulation of a broad set of tumour-related materials
- MAP continues to expand into new countries and indications
- Initial data suggests **TIL extraction and cNeT production is possible across a range of solid malignancies** and patient characteristics
- Elucidating this information will help to enable the **expansion of Achilles' interventional trials of cNeT** products in new indications
- Future participants will help establish the possibility of **blood-derived cNeT products**, without need for surgical procurement of tissue





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Background

Ex-vivo expanded tumour infiltrating lymphocytes (TIL) show promise in delivering durable responses among several solid tumour indications.

However, characterising, quantifying and tracking the active component of TIL therapy remains challenging as the expansion process does not distinguish between tumour reactive and bystander T-cells. Achilles Therapeutics has developed ATL001, a patient-specific TIL-based product, manufactured using the VELOS™ process (Figure 1) that specifically targets clonal neoantigens present in all tumour cells within a patient.

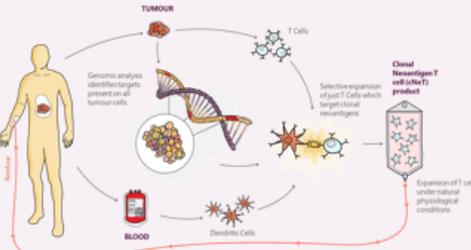


Figure 1. VELOS™ Process

Two Phase I/IIa clinical trials of ATL001 are ongoing in patients with advanced Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer, CHIRON (NCT04032847), and metastatic or recurrent melanoma, THETIS (NCT03997474).

Extensive product characterisation and immune-monitoring are performed through Achilles' manufacturing and translational science programme. This enables precise quantification and characterisation of the active component of this therapy – clonal neoantigen-reactive T cells (cNeT) during manufacture and following patient administration, offering unique insight into the mechanism of action of ATL001 and aiding the development of next generation processes.

Results

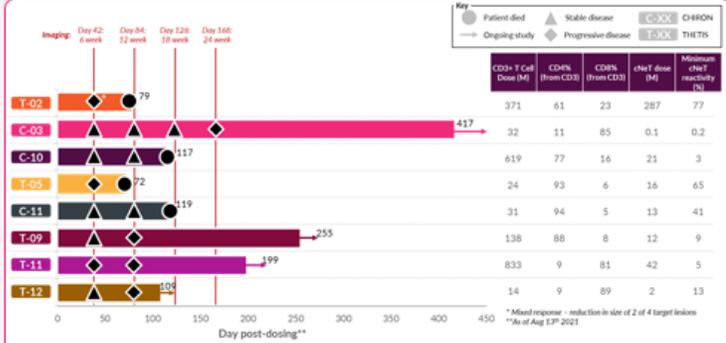


Figure 2. Dosed patients outcomes (based on RECIST v1.1) following ATL001 and characteristics

Immuno-monitoring shows heterogenous response to Short- and Long master peptide pools (SMP, LMP) at Re-Screening (RS) and subsequent to dosing (D0)

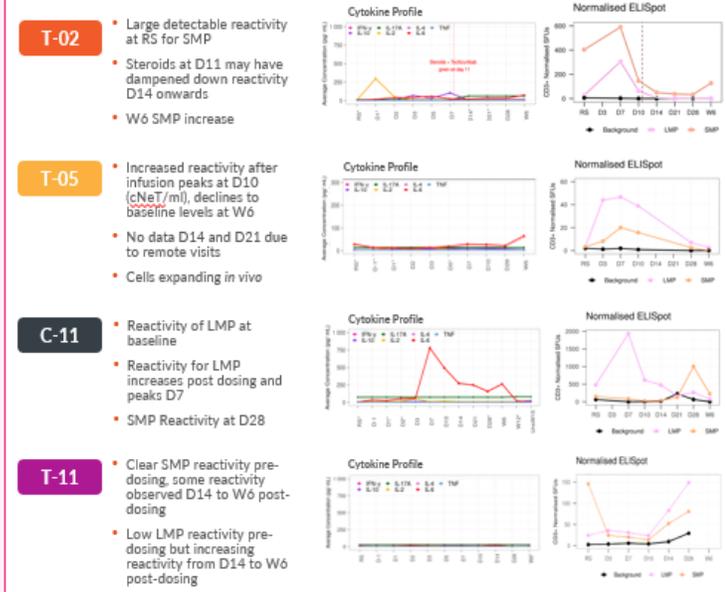


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8 patients dosed to date

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- Median cNeT dose infused in this initial cohort was 14.2M (within a trial defined target range of 10-1000M)
- Unique single peptide reactivities were observed in 7 of 8 products (range 0 – 28, mean 8.6)
- cNeT were detected in 5/8 patients post dosing
- Best disease response was stable disease, with no objective radiological responses (RECIST v1.1) demonstrated to date from low doses of ATL001 generated using VELOS™ Process 1
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VELOS™ generates polyfunctional cNeT cells

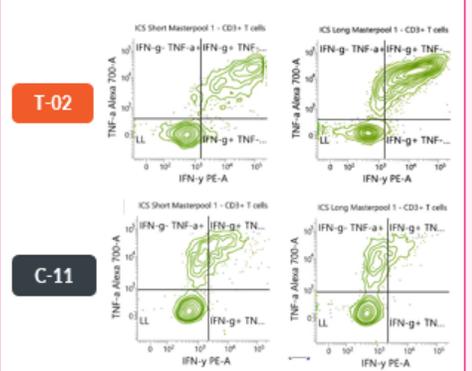


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	Cellulitis	1
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	Neutropenic sepsis	1
	Sepsis	1
	Urinary tract infection	1
	Hypophosphataemia	2
Metabolism and nutrition disorders	Inguinal mass	1
	Musculoskeletal chest pain	1
Musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders	Neuralgia	1
	Neurotoxicity**	1
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Nervous system disorders	Pulmonary embolism	1
	Dyspnoea	2
	Hypoxia	1
	Pleural effusion	1
	Tachypnoea	1
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Methods

ATL001 was manufactured using procured tumour and matched whole blood from 8 patients enrolled in the THETIS (n=5) and CHIRON (n=3) clinical trials. Following administration of ATL001, peripheral blood samples were collected up to week 6.

- The active component of the product was detected via re-stimulation with clonal neoantigen peptide pools and evaluation of IFN-γ and/or TNF-α production.
- Deconvolution of individual reactivities was achieved via ELISPOT assays, normalised to T-cell component of PBMC.
- Immune reconstitution was evaluated by flow cytometry.
- cNeT expansion was evaluated by restimulation of isolated PBMCs with peptide pools and individual peptide reactivities (ELISPOT).

Future Directions

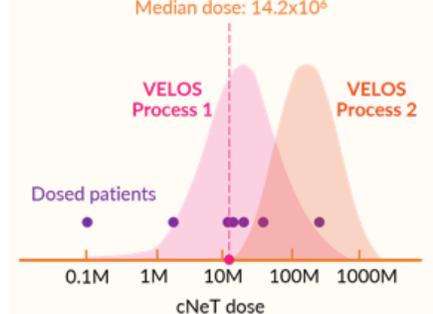


Figure 5. cNeT doses in dosed patients and projected dose range for VELOS™ Process 2

For more information of VELOS™ Process 2, please see SITC Poster Number: 193; presented by Joseph Robinson, PhD, Senior Scientist, Achilles Therapeutics

Conclusions

These data underscore our ability to sensitively detect, quantify and track the patient-specific cNeT component of ATL001 – during manufacture and post dosing. Our move to Process 2 allows dosing with higher cNeT numbers, up to 1000M. As the dataset matures, these metrics of detection and expansion will be correlated with product, clinical and genomic characteristics to determine variables associated with peripheral cNeT dynamics and clinical response.



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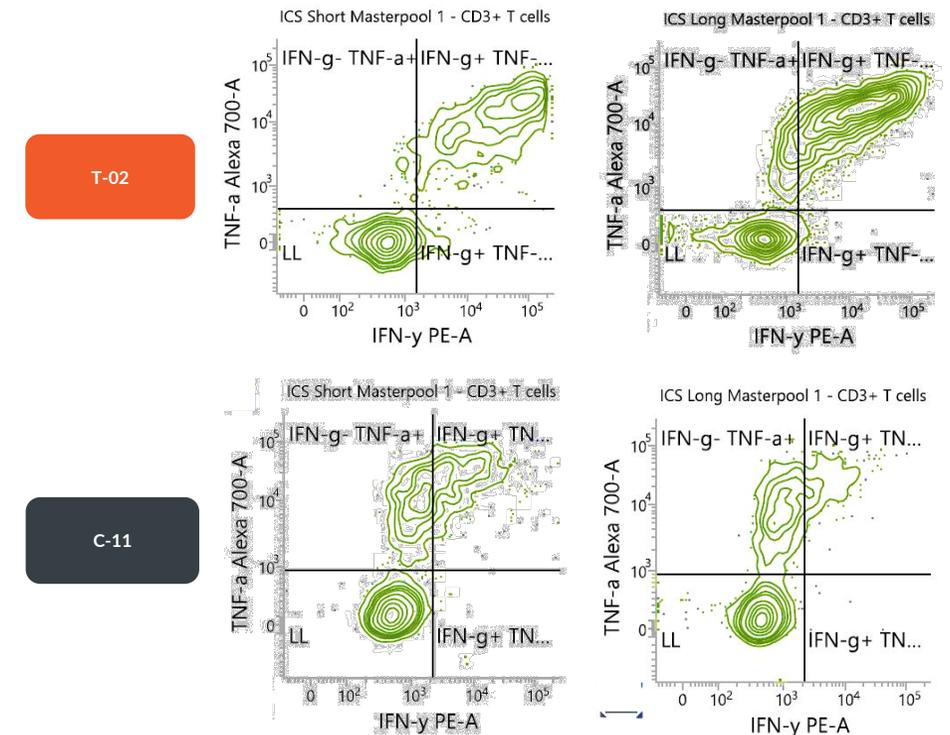


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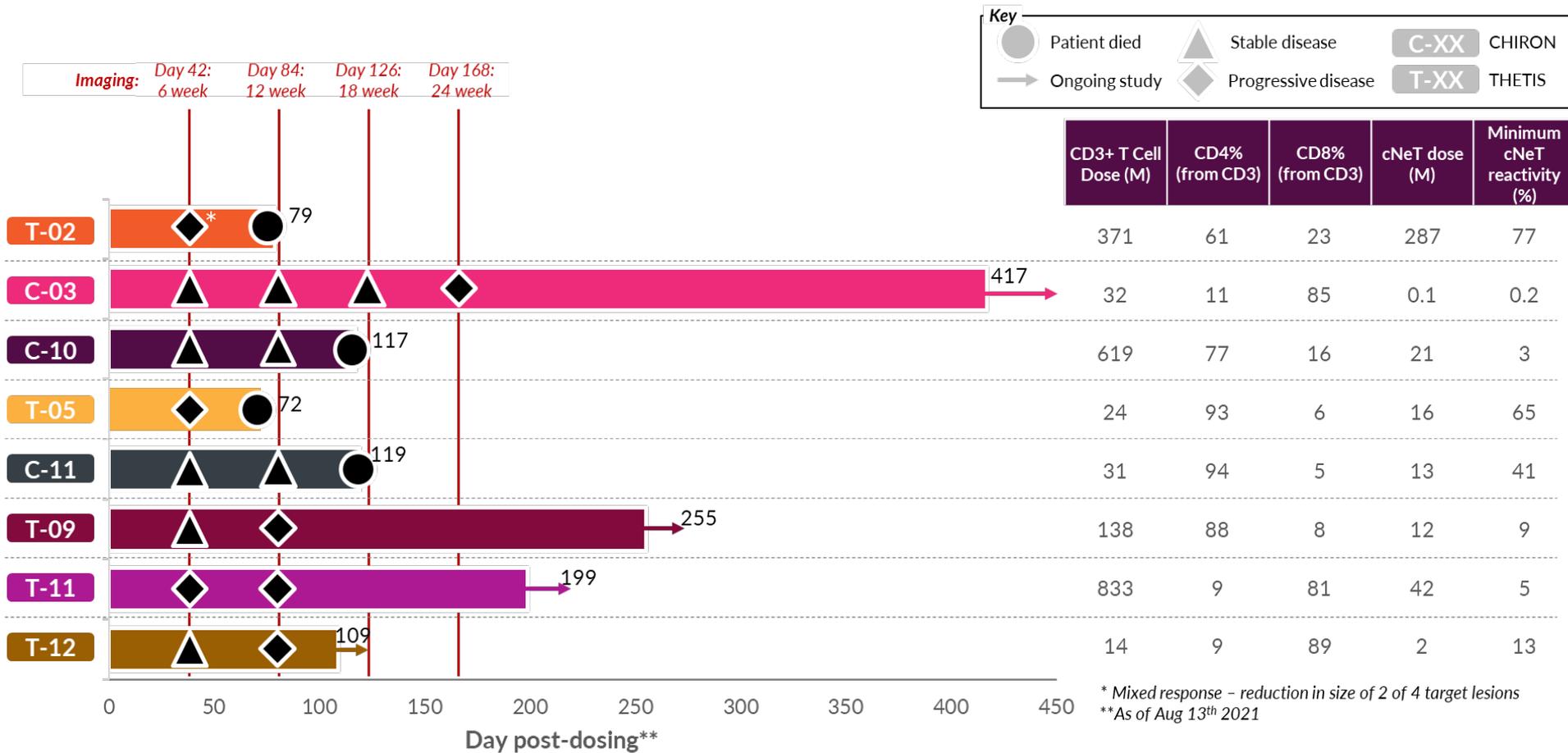


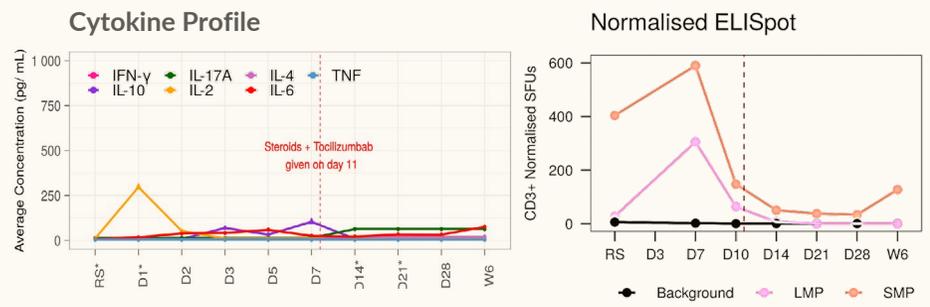


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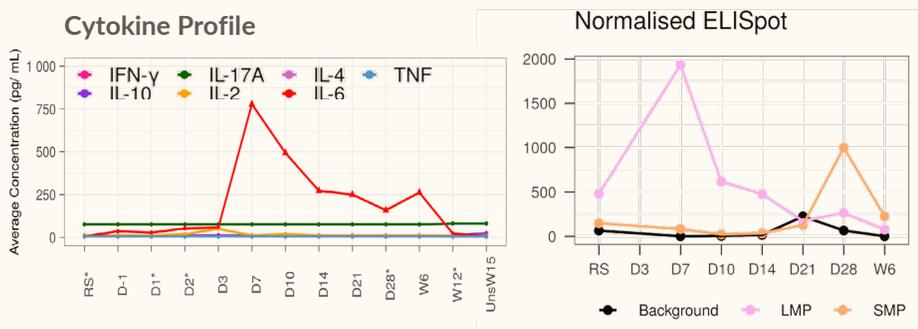
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- Large detectable reactivity at RS for SMP
- Steroids at D11 may have dampened down reactivity D14 onwards
- W6 SMP increase



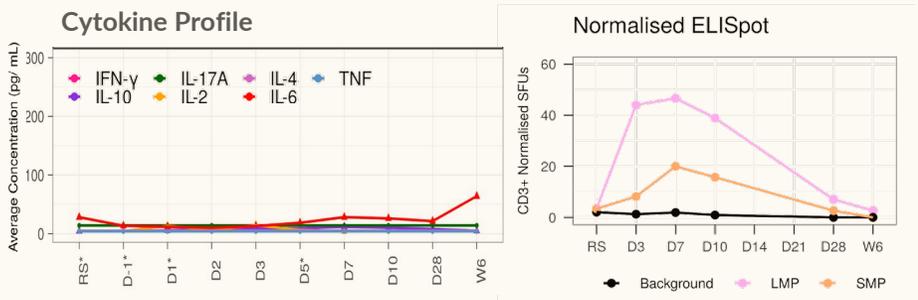
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- Reactivity of LMP at baseline
- Reactivity for LMP increases post dosing and peaks D7
- SMP Reactivity at D28



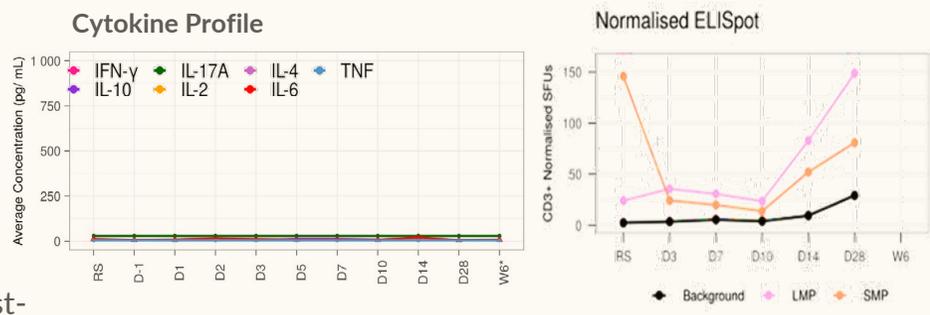
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- Increased reactivity after infusion peaks at D10 (cNeT/ml), declines to baseline levels at W6
- No data D14 and D21 due to remote visits
- Cells expanding in vivo



T-11

- Clear SMP reactivity pre-dosing, some reactivity observed D14 to W6 post-dosing
- Low LMP reactivity pre-dosing but increasing reactivity from D14 to W6 post-dosing





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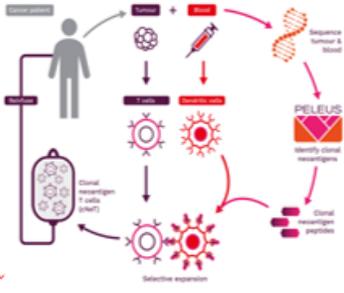
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Introduction

Adoptive transfer of ex-vivo expanded Tumour-Infiltrating Lymphocytes (TIL) has shown promise in the clinic. However, the non-specific expansion of TILs and the lack of understanding of the active component of TIL has resulted in poor correlation between clinical response and dose as well as poor understanding of response and resistance mechanisms. The VELOS™ manufacturing process generates a precision and personalised treatment modality by targeting clonal neoantigens with the incorporation of an antigen-specific expansion step to enrich the product for these specificities. Achilles has developed a second VELOS™ process to boost the neoantigen-reactive cell dose while maintaining key qualitative features associated with function. Here we report the in-depth characterisation of clonal neoantigen-reactive T cells (cNeT) products expanded using the two VELOS™ processes.

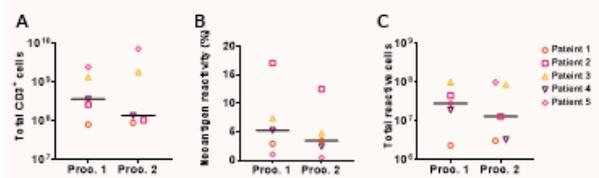
Methods

- Matched tumours and peripheral blood from patients undergoing routine surgery were obtained from patients with primary NSCLC (n=3) or metastatic melanoma (n=2) (NCT03517917).
- TIL were expanded from tumour fragments in the presence of IL-2.
- Peptide pools, corresponding to the clonal mutations identified using the PELEUS™ bioinformatics platform, were generated.
- cNeT were expanded by co-culture of TIL with peptide-pulsed autologous dendritic cells.
- For VELOS™ Process 2 additional media supplementation was added throughout the process. Cell expansion was boosted at the end of the co-culture with an optimized stimulation cocktail.
- Neoantigen reactivity was assessed using our proprietary potency assay with peptide pool rechallenge followed by intracellular cytokine staining. Single peptide reactivities were identified using ELISpot and flow cytometric analysis for in-depth phenotyping of cNeT was performed.



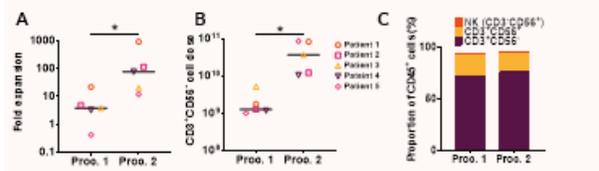
Results

Figure 1: Clonal neoantigen specific TIL can be identified following the culture of tumour fragments in VELOS™ Process 2



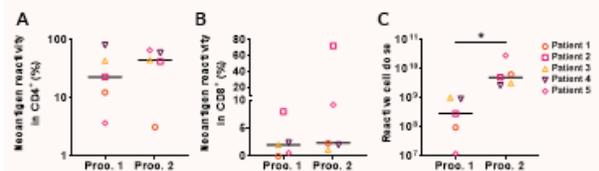
Following culture of tumour fragments with IL2, processes 1 and 2 yielded similar numbers of TIL (A; values scaled to tumour mass). Achilles' proprietary potency assay was used to identify the proportion of clonal neoantigen reactive cells within the TIL (B). The total number of clonal neoantigen reactive TIL was similar in Processes 1 and 2 (C). Lines at median; n=5.

Figure 2: VELOS™ Process 2 generates a 29 fold greater number of T cells



During the selective expansion phase of the VELOS™ process, Process 2 gave a greater fold expansion of T cells (A; lines at median) and an increase in total T cells generated (B; values scaled to tumour mass; lines at median). The majority of cells generated by both processes were CD3+CD56+ (C; bars show means). * p<0.05 one tailed Wilcoxon test, n=5.

Figure 3: VELOS™ Process 2 generates a 18 fold greater number of cNeT



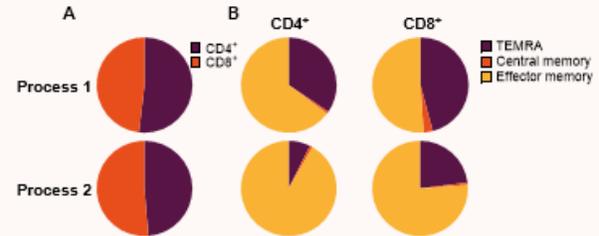
Using Achilles' proprietary potency assay, the active drug component (cNeT) was quantified for both CD4+ (A) and CD8+ (B) cells. No difference in the proportion of cNeT was observed between Process 1 and Process 2. The overall number of cNeT generated by Process 2 was significantly higher than was generated by Process 1. Lines at medians; * p<0.05 one tailed Wilcoxon test; n=5.

Figure 4: VELOS™ Process 2 generates a product with multiple clonal neoantigen reactivities

Patient	Single peptide reactivities		
	Process 1	Process 2	Difference
1	1	4	+3
2	1	3	+2
3	2	5	+3
4	2	17	+15
5	No data	18	N/A

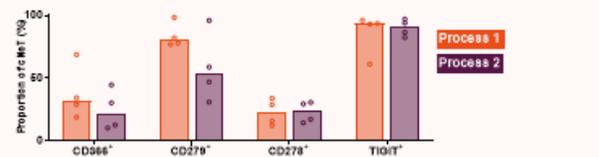
The number of individual clonal neoantigen reactivities was determined by ELISpot. VELOS™ Process 2 generated a product with reactivities to multiple clonal neoantigens without loss of reactivities compared to Process 1. For patient 5, insufficient cells were generated by Process 1 to carry out ELISpot.

Figure 5: VELOS™ Process 2 generates a product made up of mainly CD4+ and CD8+ effector memory cells



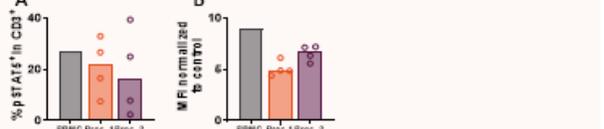
Phenotyping was carried out by flow cytometry at the end of the co-culture period. The VELOS™ processes generated products made up of both CD4+ and CD8+ cells (A; n=5). Products were primarily effector memory cells (CD45RA⁻CD197⁺) with some TEMRA cells (CD45RA⁺CD197⁻) and few central memory cells (CD45RA⁺CD197⁺). The products of Process 2 had a lower proportion TEMRA cells compared to Process 1 (B; n=4). Pie charts show mean frequencies.

Figure 6: cNeT from VELOS™ Process 2 express similar levels of immune checkpoint molecules



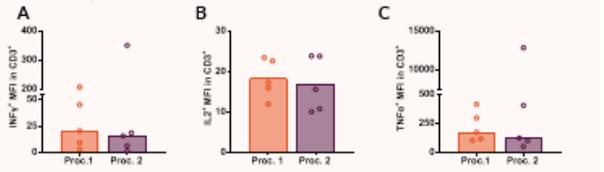
Restimulation with clonal neoantigen peptide pools and staining for cytokine secreting cells enables phenotyping of the active drug component of the product of the VELOS™ process. cNeT from Process 2 showed no increase in immune checkpoint molecules compared to cNeT from Process 1. Bars at median; n=4.

Figure 7: T cells from VELOS™ Process 2 retain sensitivity to IL2



T cells were stimulated with low dose IL2 (100IU/ml) and phosphorylation of STAT5 was measured by flow cytometry. Phosphorylation occurred in similar proportions of CD3+ cells in both processes (A). Geometric mean fluorescence intensity (MFI) of pSTAT5 staining was also similar (B). Bars at median; n=4.

Figure 8: T cells from VELOS™ Process 2 retain capacity to secrete cytokines



T cells were stimulated with a poly clonal stimulus (Staphylococcal Enterotoxin B) and cytokine production was measured using Achilles proprietary potency assay. CD3+ cells from Process 1 and Process 2 generated similar amounts of INFγ (A), IL2 (B) and TNFα (C). Graphs show geometric mean fluorescence intensity (MFI) normalized to control; bars at median; n=5.

Conclusions

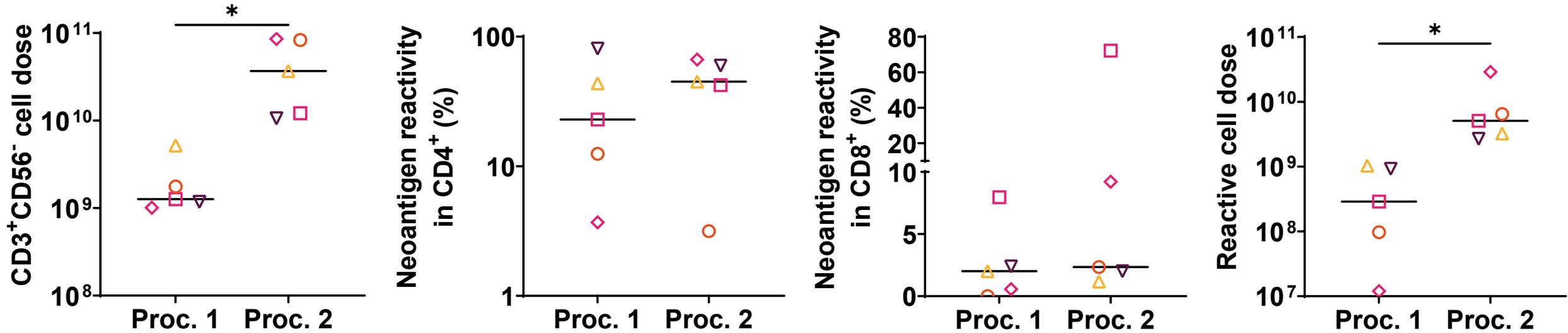
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- This proof of concept data supports the transfer of VELOS™ Process 2 to clinical manufacture for two first in human studies for treatment of solid cancer.

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- The proportion of cNeT in CD4⁺ cells was similar between processes
- The proportion of cNeT in CD8⁺ cells was similar between processes
- Median cNeT was 18 fold higher in process 2 compared to process 1

- Patient 1
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- △ Patient 3
- ▽ Patient 4
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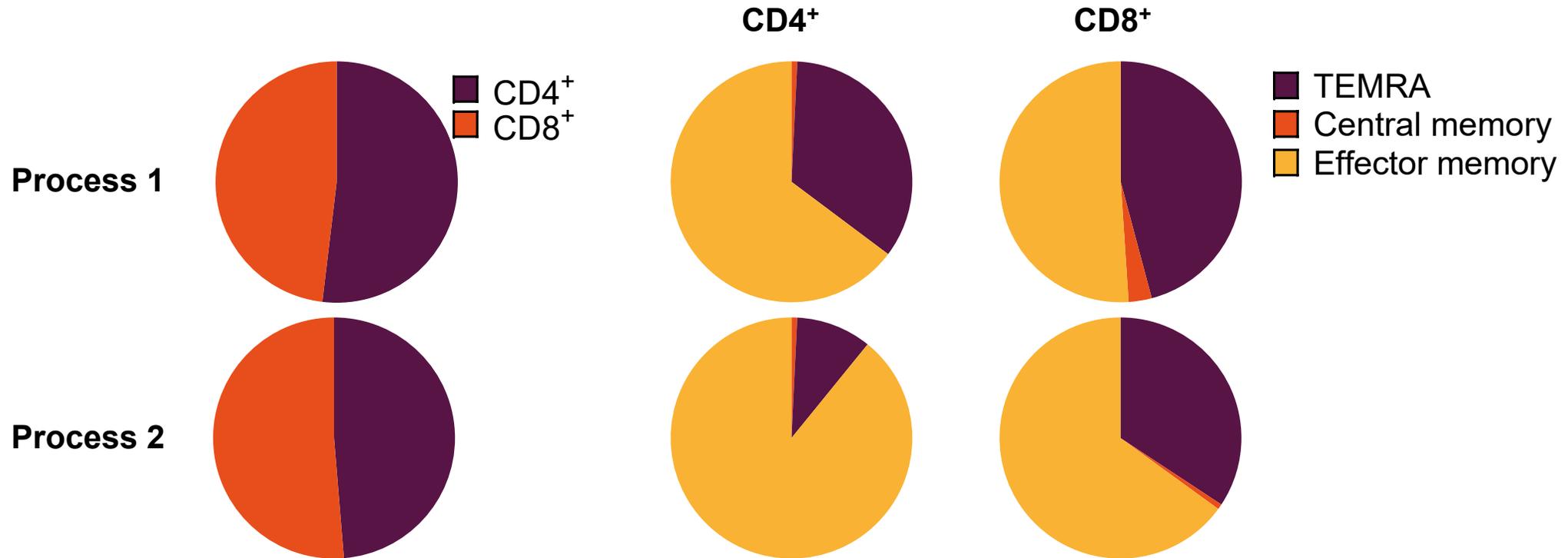
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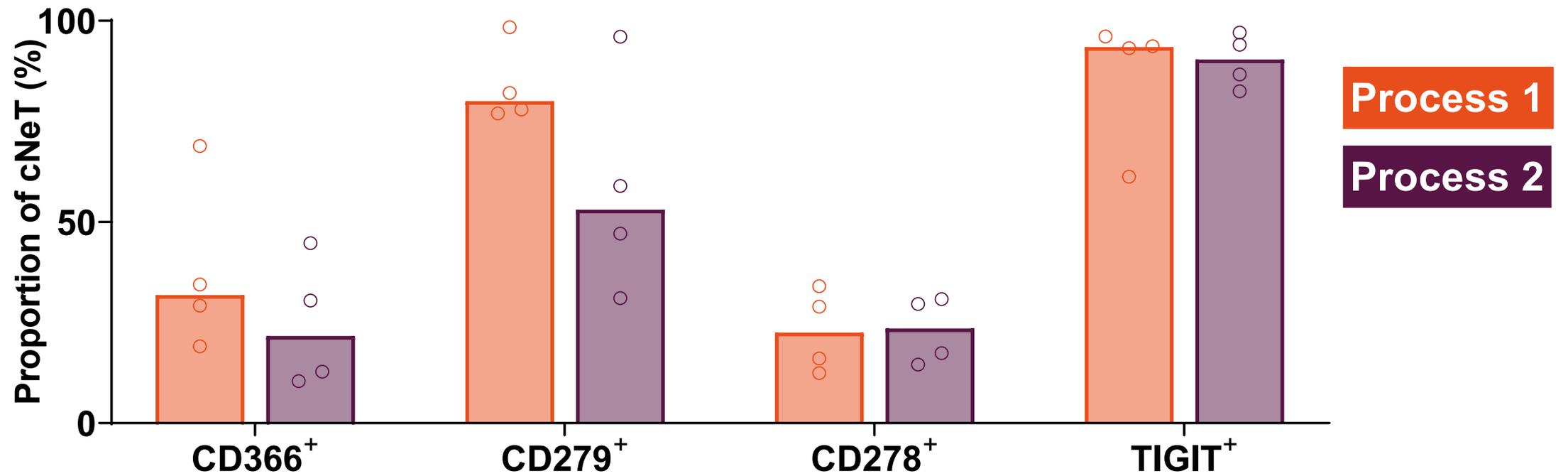
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The VELOS™ Process 2 product is mainly CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ effector memory cells

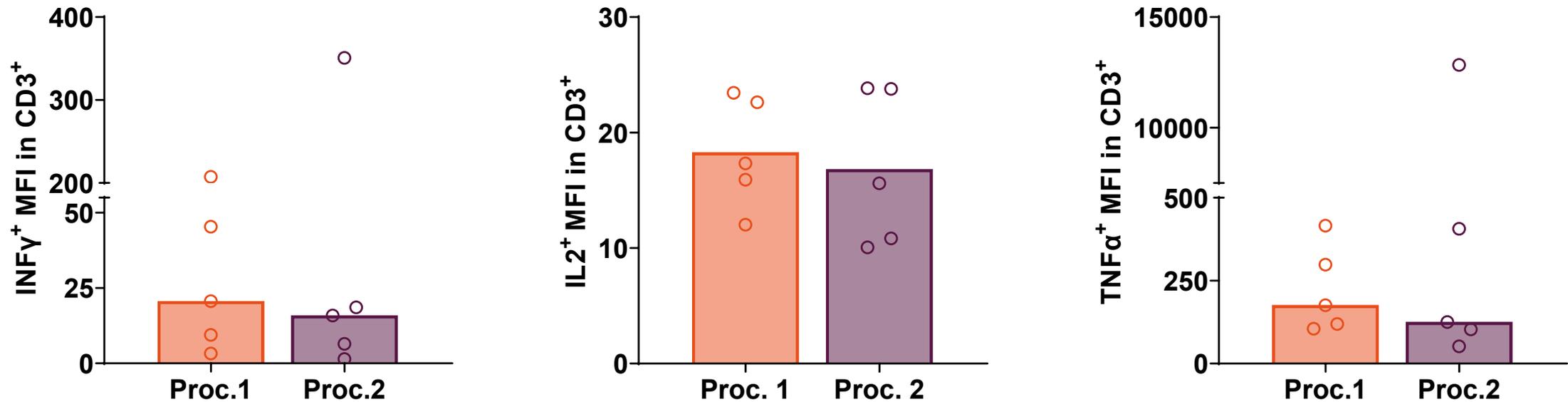


- The proportion of CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ cells was similar between processes
- The majority of CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ had effector memory phenotype (CD45RA⁻CD197⁻)
- The products of Process 2 appear to have a lower proportion of TEMRA (CD45RA⁺CD197⁻) compared to Process 1

cNeT from VELOS™ Process 2 express similar levels of immune checkpoint molecules



T cells from VELOS™ Process 2 retain capacity to secrete cytokines



- The ability to produce cytokines is a key marker of T cell functionality
- T cells from both processes produced similar amount of cytokines in response to polyclonal stimulus



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cNeT dose	18 fold increase
Phenotype	Similar
Cytokine production	Similar



Summary & Milestones

Our proprietary VELOS™ manufacturing process builds on standard TIL therapy but leverages clonal neoantigen targeting to deliver a more precise and potent product



VELOS

Manufacturing
process

Precision platform

Selective expansion of tumor targeting T cells

- Prospectively target patient-specific clonal neoantigens shown to correlate with anti-tumor activity^{1,2}
- Able to quantify the active component (cNeT) in each product and track post-dosing in blood or tissue
- Enable a mechanistic understanding of cNeT therapy (e.g., dose response) and a path to a robust potency assay

Potent product

Potent polyclonal product

- VELOS process delivers a polyclonal product able to target multiple cancer antigens present on all tumor cells
- Products contain both T helper (CD4+) and cytotoxic T cells (CD8+) subtypes
- Natural dendritic cell process reduces the need for IL-2 in the VELOS process and post-dosing



Potency Assay

- Regulatory authorities require demonstration that the product contains an active component **of a specific identity and potency**
- Potency can be defined as the specific ability of the product to **effect a given result** that should take effect through the product's **mechanism of action**
- Timeline for interaction with regulatory authorities established and **will have an agreed upon plan prior to registrational studies**

Achilles cNeT

- With our platform **we can quantify the cNeT** component as a percentage of the total T cells (cNeT reactivity) and **calculate the cNeT dose** of each product
- cNeT reactivity can be used as both a **release criterion and potency measure**
- We believe that cNeT is the active component of TIL and will **correlate with anti-tumor effect**
- Further **phenotypic and functional characteristics** of cNeT can be measured to develop potency assays

Key anticipated clinical milestones



2021

2022

Reported 6-pt FiH data in cNeT monotherapy

Open clinical sites in US and EU

Enroll first patient in the US

Monotherapy data with Process 1 cNeT

Process 2 GMP data update

File IND in HNSCC

1H

1st patient dosed with Process 2 cNeT

Initiate tumor archiving program

Interim data from Process 2 cNeT monotherapy

Additional Process 1 monotherapy data

Interim data from PD-1 / cNeT combo

Monotherapy data with Process 2 cNeT

2H

Achilles is building a transformative oncology business



-  Two ongoing clinical trials with near-term data readouts and plans to add new indications
-  Exclusive access to TRACERx, which gives the unique capability to address clonal neoantigens
-  cNeT platform can target multiple cancer antigens present in all tumor cells
-  Technology allows us to develop a potency-based release assay
-  Robust and commercially scalable manufacturing process designed to be fully closed and automated
-  Cash to complete planned I/IIa clinical trials, expand manufacturing capacity, and broaden pipeline