



# Achilles Therapeutics

AI-Powered Precision TIL Therapy

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# Experienced leadership with decades in cell therapy drug development



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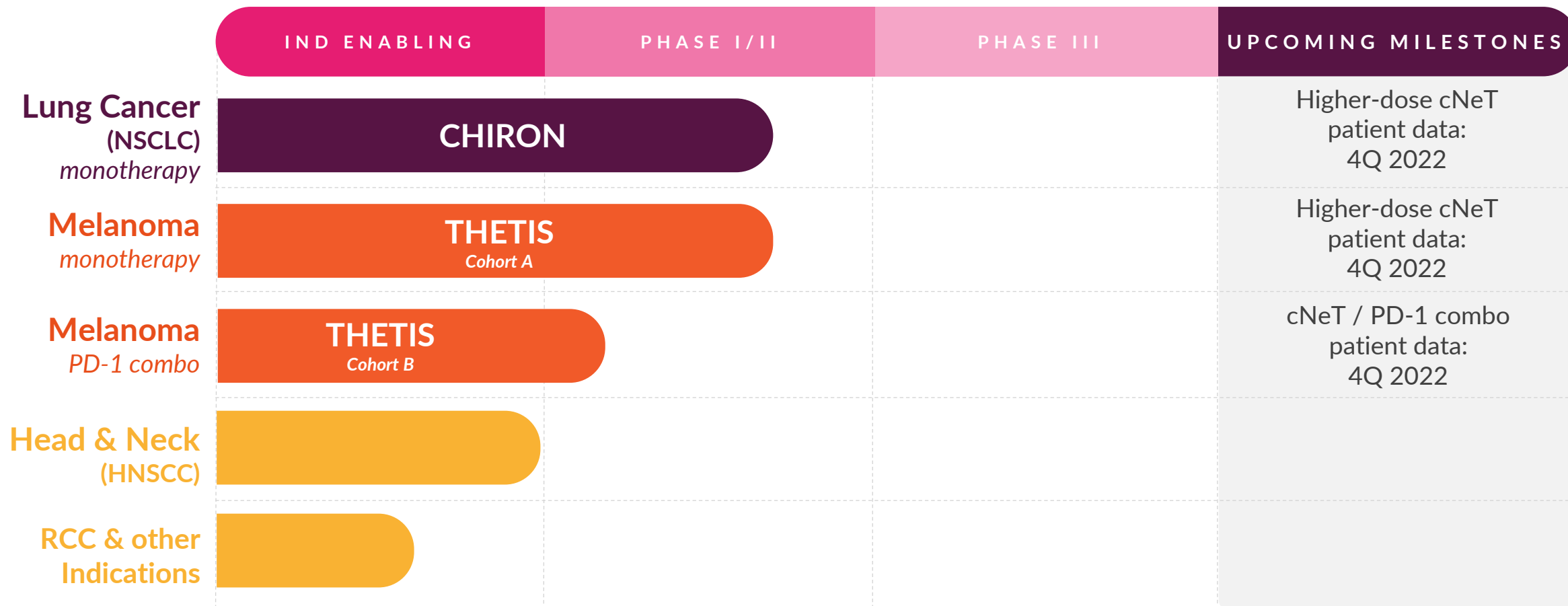
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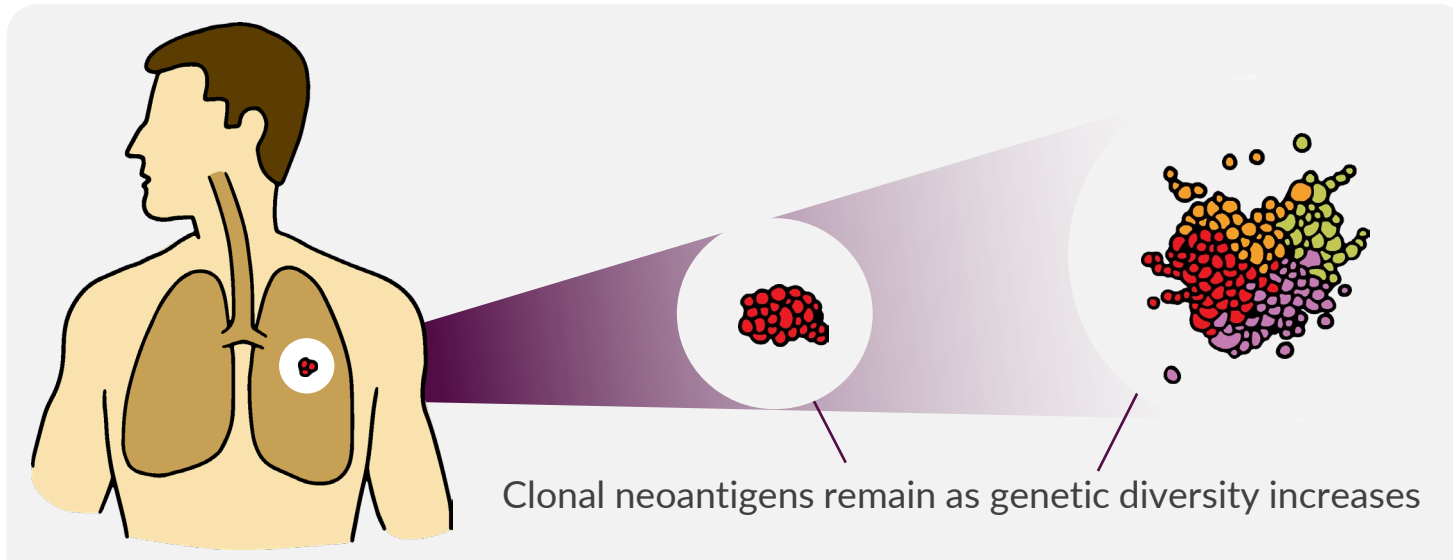
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# Differentiated pipeline of precision T cell therapies across multiple solid tumors

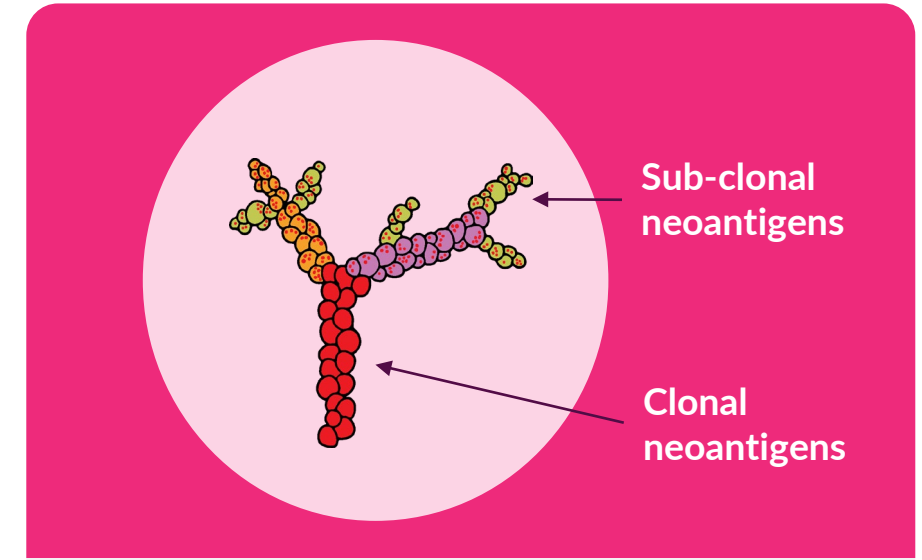




# Ideal cancer targets: clonal neoantigens present on all tumor cells and absent from healthy tissue



- Tumors are constantly evolving and acquiring new mutations
- Genetic diversity enables tumors to develop resistance to standard therapies (e.g., loss of a target) which leads to disease relapse
- Despite increased genetic diversity the original mutations (clonal neoantigens) always remain<sup>1</sup>
- Achilles' technology identifies the original (clonal) mutations and enables targeting of multiple antigens present only on tumor cells



## Clonal neoantigens are

- Original mutations formed early in tumor evolution
- Expressed on all cancer cells<sup>1</sup> and absent from healthy tissue
- Found in multiple tumor types as tumor evolution principles apply across multiple solid cancers

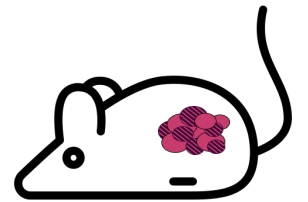
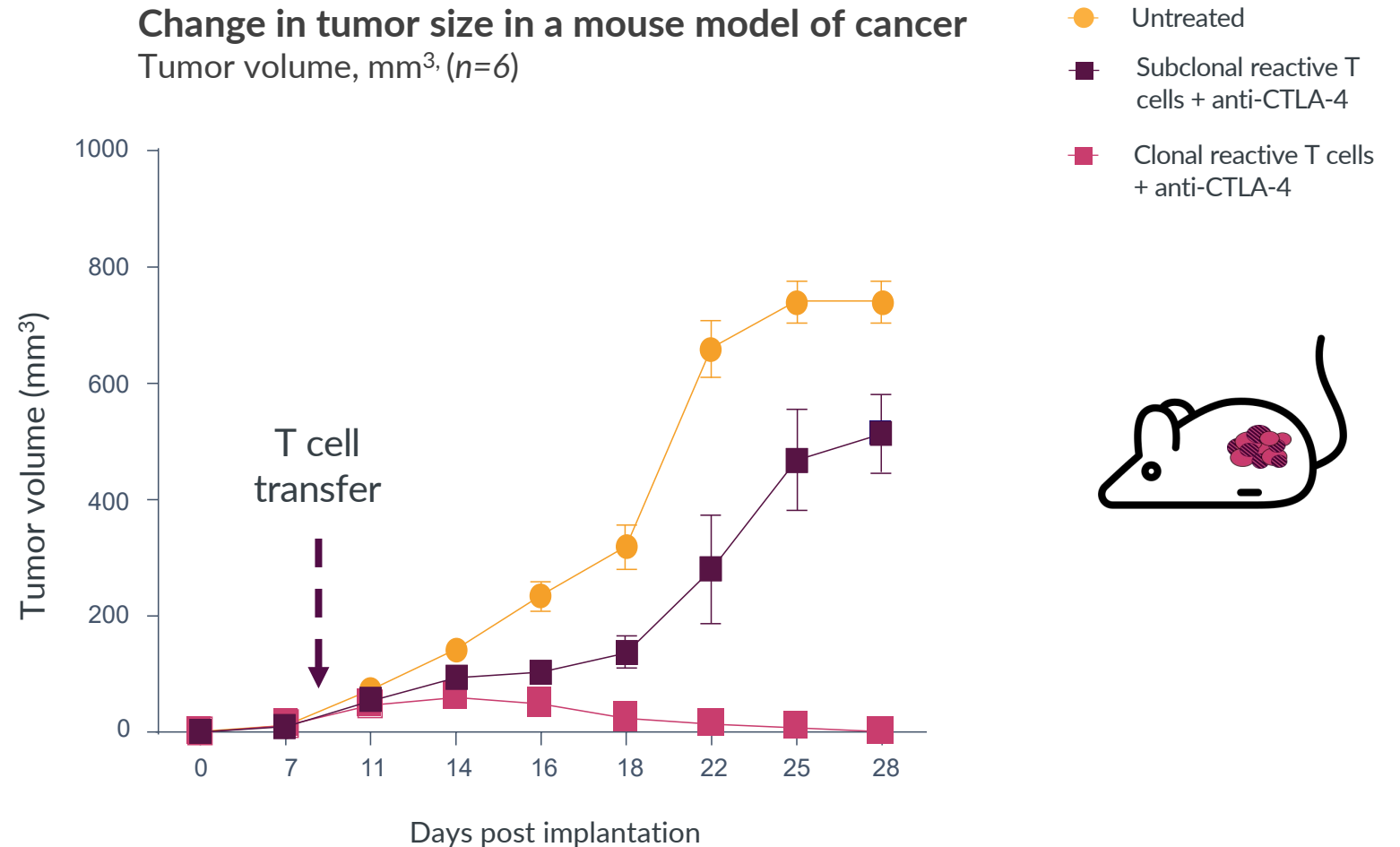
# Clonality is key to the eradication of tumors



Mice implanted with tumor cells expressing sub-clonal (on a sub-set of cells) and clonal (on all cells) antigens

Mice were then treated with murine T cells reactive to sub-clonal (■) and clonal antigens (■)

Targeting clonal antigens expressed on every tumor cell leads to complete tumor regression in this model





## Clonal neoantigen identification is computationally complex

- Solving the heterogeneity problem requires processing of very large DNA data sets
- The process requires multiple steps and has no universally accepted protocol
- 22 groups using the same DNA sequencing data showed <20% overlap of neoantigen identification<sup>1</sup>



*Compares tumor DNA to healthy DNA to differentiate clonal and subclonal neoantigens*

## Achilles has developed an AI-powered solution

- Accurate neoantigen identification requires an advanced computational approach
- AI and machine learning have been developed to enable accurate and rapid processing of very large complex data sets
- Neoantigen predictions are then validated with real-world patient data



# Achilles AI-platform is validated with two types of real-world patient data



## TRACER<sub>X</sub>

- Commercial rights to the largest longitudinal patient data set<sup>1-4</sup>
- 3,200 tumor regions collected from 795 NSCLC patients over 5 years
- Multi-region data from primary & metastatic sites to confirm clonal status
- Unparalleled network of 15 NHS sites

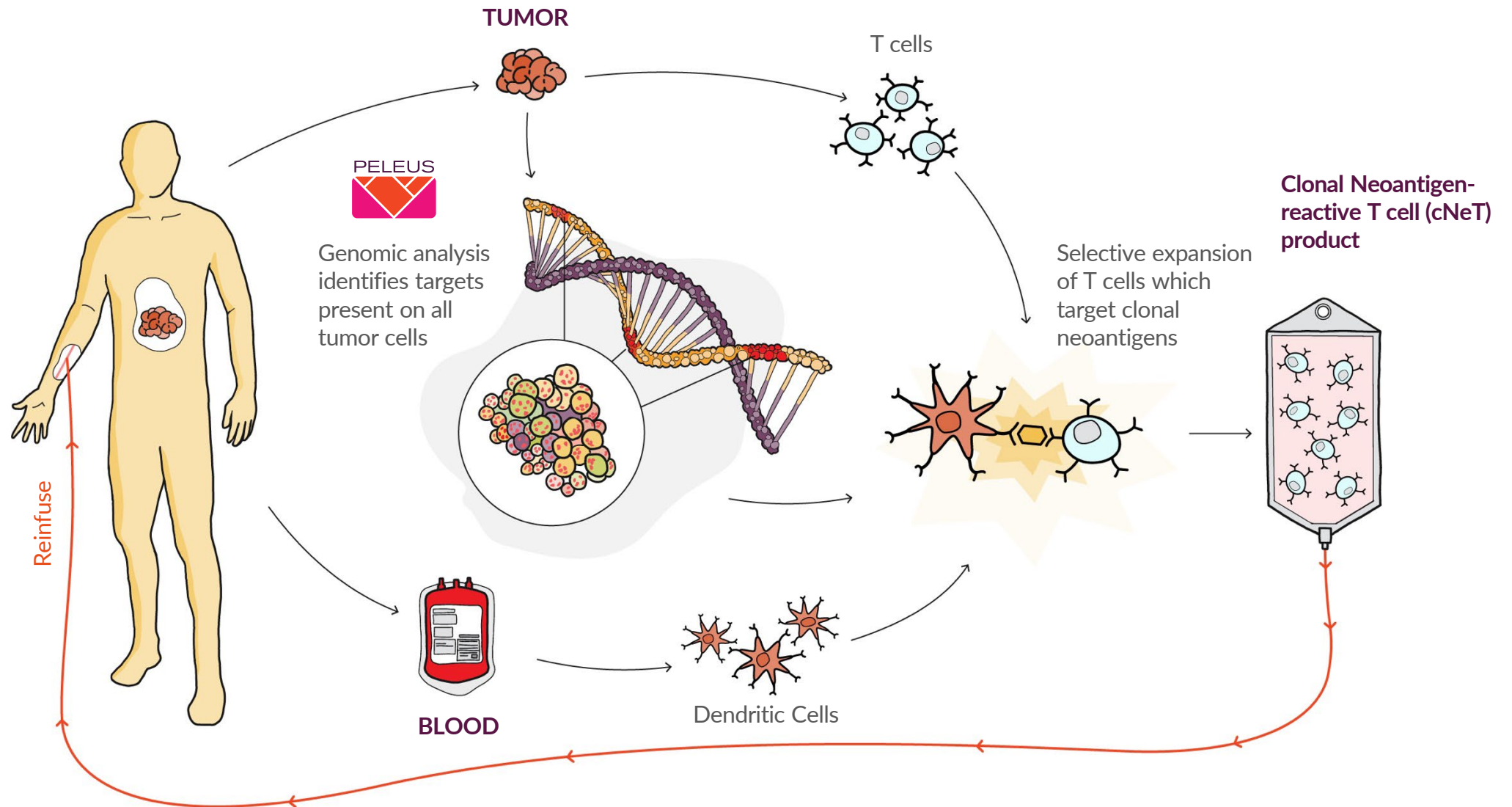


## Reactive T cells are identified against clonal neoantigens

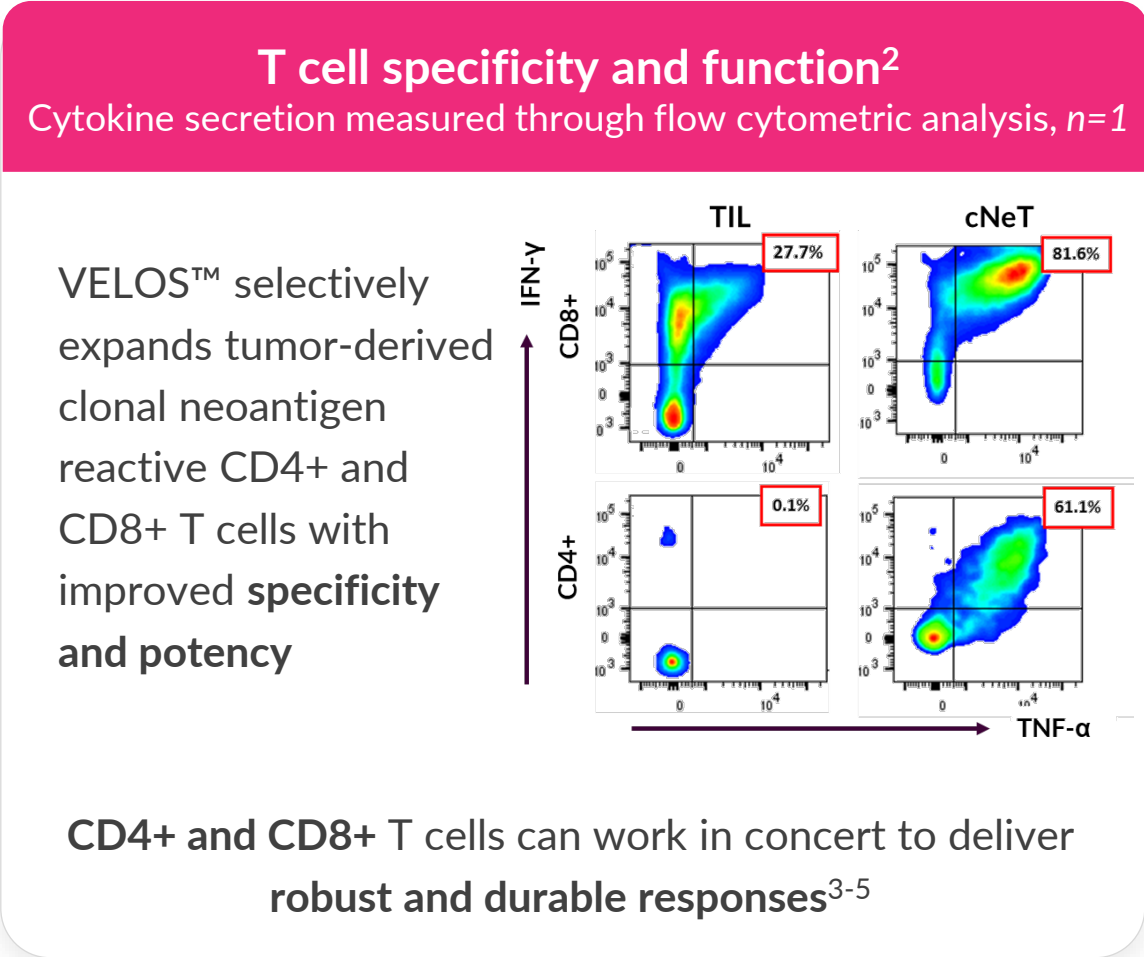
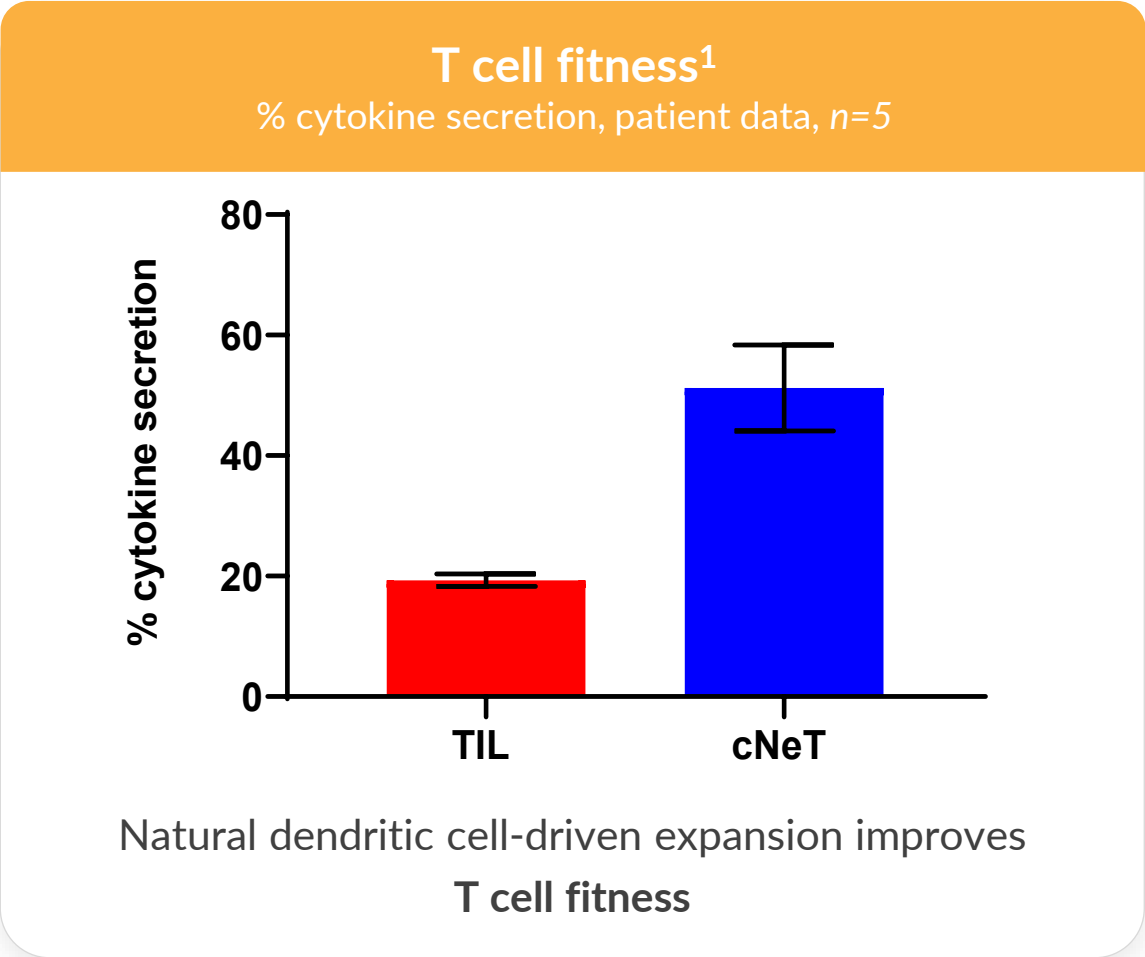
- Identification of T cells reactive to predicted clonal neoantigens in patient samples validates the PELEUS<sup>®</sup> platform
- Over 120 patients prospectively analyzed to date across multiple cancer types
- Patient tumor samples validate and train PELEUS<sup>®</sup> AI predictions

# VELOS™ process delivers precision clonal neoantigen targeting TIL therapy

Cutting edge personalized genomics and machine learning enable targeting of all cancer cells



# cNeT have improved specificity, function and fitness compared to standard TIL



1. Achilles data measuring the ability of T cells to produce inflammatory cytokines in response to the same polyclonal stimulation

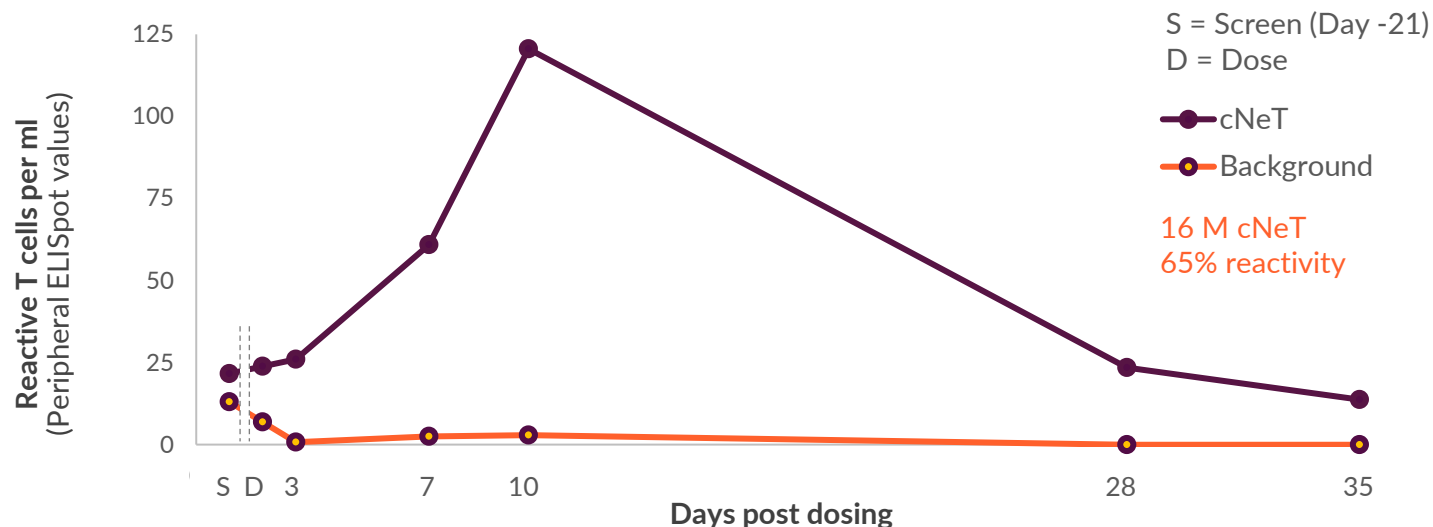
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3. Hunder et al., NEJM, 2008  
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5. Antony et al. J Immunol, 2005



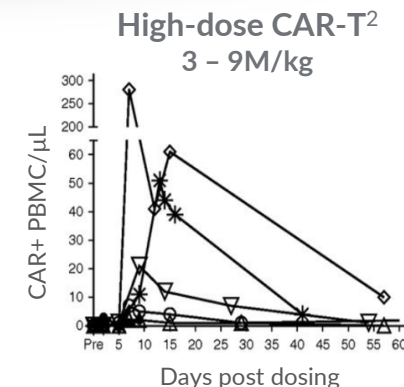
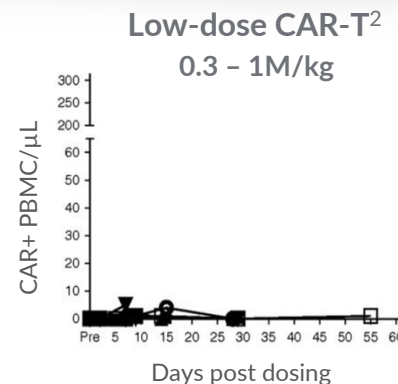
## The Achilles cNeT platform allows:

- Quantification of tumor reactivity and cNeT dose for each product (not possible with TIL therapy)
- Determination if increasing cNeT dose improves cNeT persistence and activity as seen in CAR-T therapy
- Correlation of cNeT dose and persistence with anti-tumor effect
- Product release on cNeT dose and basis for potency assays

### Melanoma Patient Case Study<sup>1</sup>: Expansion and detection of cNeT post-dosing



*cNeT have similar patterns of expansion as seen in CAR-T*



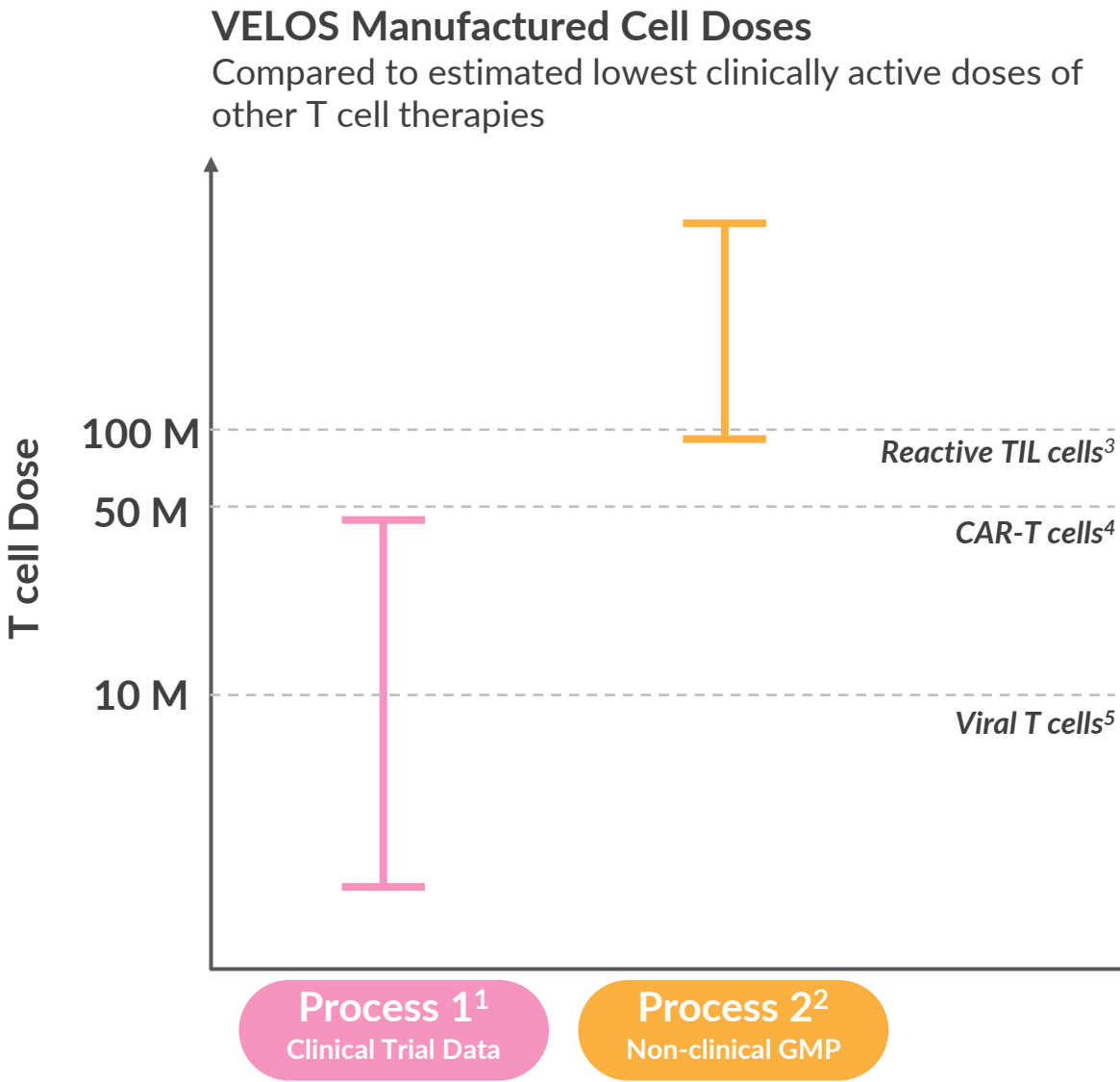
# Aim to deliver clinical doses of >100M cNeT from our VELOS™ manufacturing process



	Process 1	Process 2
Pre-Expansion	T cells are harvested from the tumor	Cytokines boost tumor-reactive cell harvest
Expansion	Dendritic cells loaded with clonal peptides activate and drive cNeT expansion	Optimized DC-driven co-culture followed by short T cell boost increases final cNeT dose

Process 2

- Identical manufacturing timeline to Process 1
- Maintains high functional cell fitness and effector memory phenotype
- Approved in UK, France, Germany & Spain



1. SITC 2021 Poster 543  
2. ESMO IO 2021 Poster 58P

3. J Clin Invest 2021, Kristensen  
4. Blood 2017, Mueller  
5. Lancet 2003, Peggs



# Achilles has two ongoing Phase I/IIa clinical trials



## CHIRON Advanced NSCLC

### Monotherapy

- Advanced unresectable or metastatic Stage III-Stage IV NSCLC
- Never-smokers and EGFR/ALK/Ros-1 mut excluded
- Open-label
- n = up to 40
- Option to open Cohort B in combination with a PD-1 inhibitor

Evaluating safety, tolerability and activity (RECIST), biomarkers of clinical activity and bespoke ctDNA assay

Ongoing in UK, EU and US

## THETIS Melanoma

### Cohort A – Monotherapy

- Recurrent or metastatic malignant melanoma (n = up to 40); Open-label
- Acral, uveal and mucosal melanoma excluded

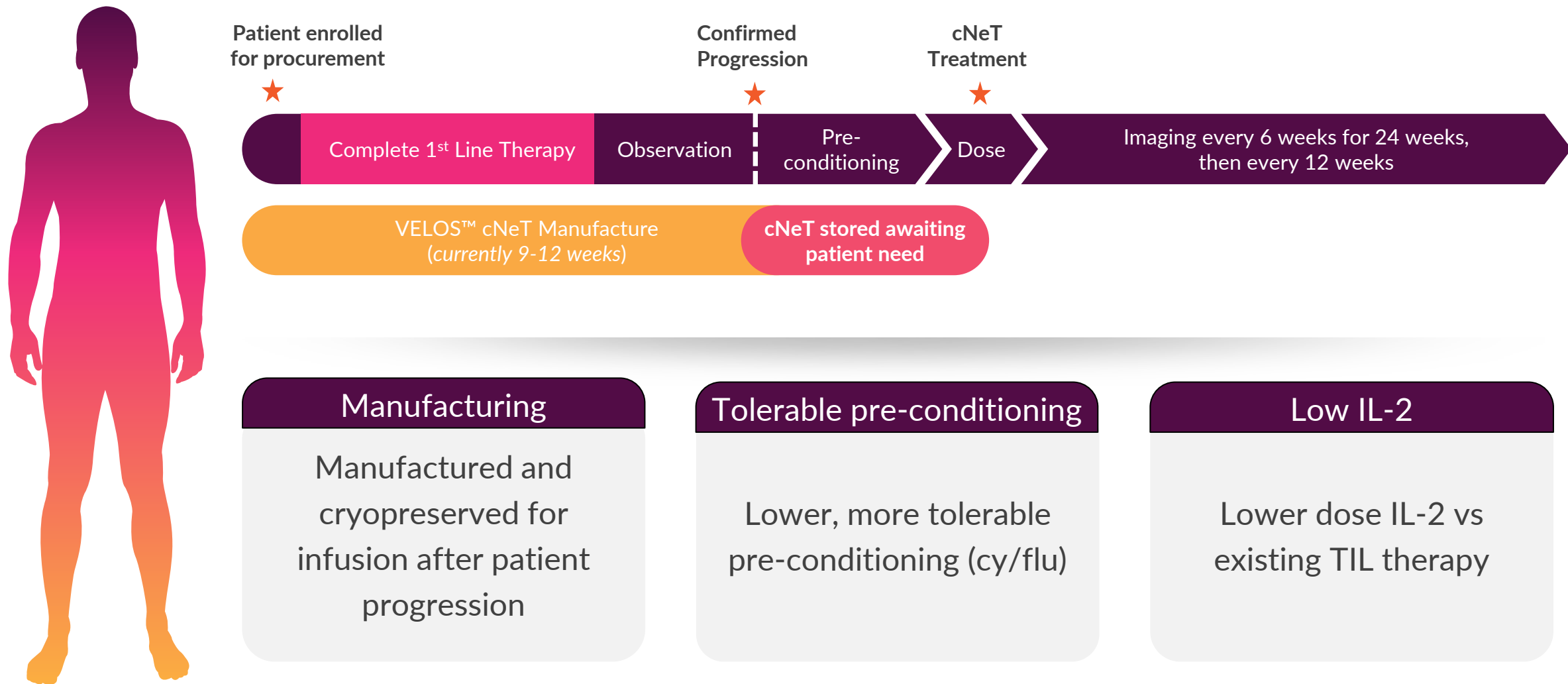
### Cohort B – Combination with PD-1 inhibitor (nivolumab)

- n = up to 20 checkpoint refractory patients; Open-label
- CPI dosed 7-13 days prior to cNeT and restarted day 14 post-cNeT

Evaluating safety, tolerability and activity (RECIST)

Ongoing in UK, expanding to EU & US

# cNeT therapies can be readily delivered within standard treatment pathways





## Heavily pretreated patients with advanced cancer

- 2.5 median lines of prior therapy
- 14.2m median cNeT dose<sup>1</sup> in monotherapy
- All had progressive disease at time of lymphodepletion
- Five recurrent or metastatic malignant melanoma patients (THETIS)
- Three advanced unresectable or metastatic NSCLC patients (CHIRON)

## cNeT tolerability profile

- Tolerability similar to standard TIL products not enriched for cNeT reactivities
- No higher-grade adverse events more commonly associated with the use of higher doses of IL-2
- Three SAEs deemed unlikely related and one ICANS event deemed to be possibly related to cNeT treatment



Activity 6-weeks post treatment

- **Stable disease** in 5 of 8 patients<sup>1</sup>
- **Tumor reduction** in 2 of 4 lesions (55% and 90%) in patient with highest cell dose
- **Engraftment** in 5 of 7 patients, with dose associated response
- **2 to 28 reactivities observed** in 7 of 8 cNeT
- Median dose of 14.2 M

Patient	cNeT Dose (M)	Reactivity	Engrafted <sup>2</sup>	Best Response
C-03	0.1	0.20%	--	SD
T-12	2	13%	Y	SD
T-09	12	9%	N	SD
C-11	13	41%	Y	SD
T-05	16	65%	Y	PD
C-10	21	3%	N	SD
T-11	42	5%	Y	PD
T-02 <sup>3</sup>	287	77%	Y	PD

Median 2.5 lines of prior therapy

Next steps: Explore higher-dose cNeT monotherapy and combination with PD-1 inhibitor

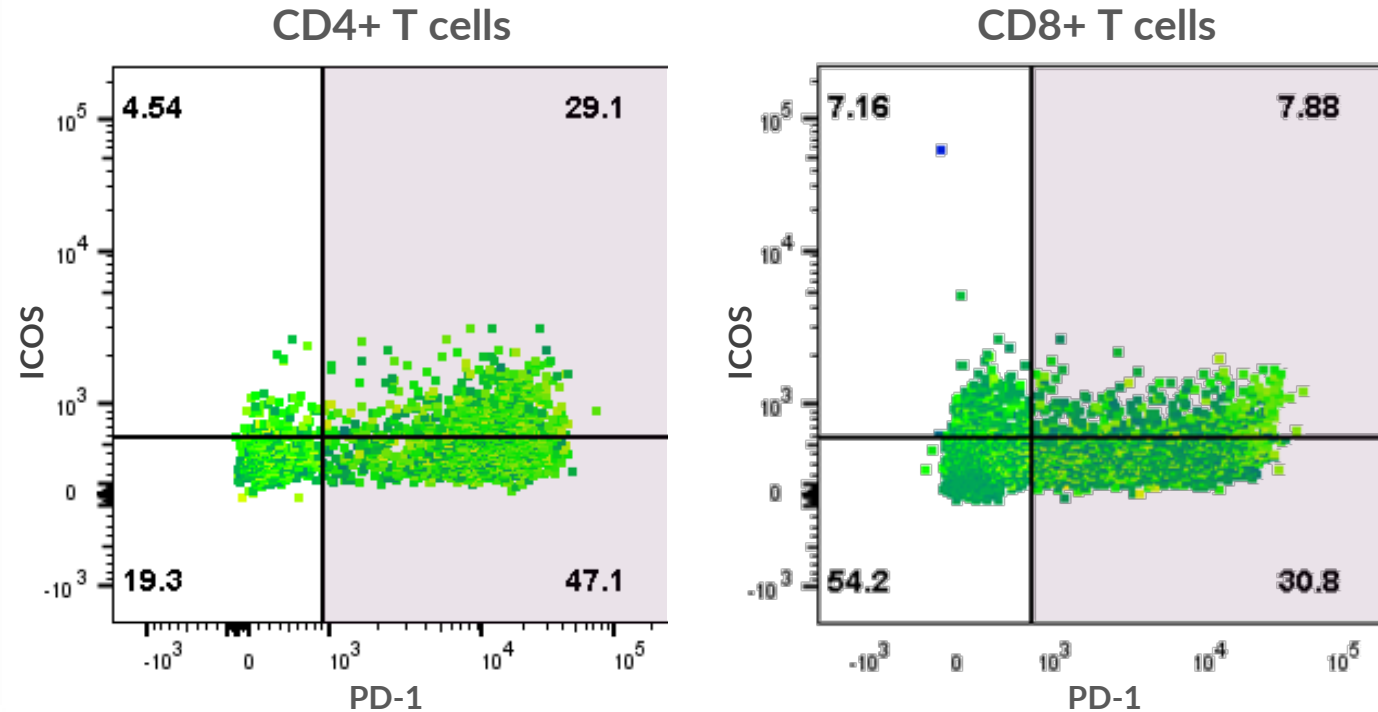


## Checkpoint molecules in immune regulation

- Normal immune regulation uses immune checkpoints to inhibit T cells from attacking healthy tissue
- Our data show PD-1 checkpoint is upregulated on a fraction of cNeT which could partially reduce anti-tumor activity<sup>1</sup>
- Targeting PD-1 with checkpoint inhibition could further increase cNeT activity

## TIL-derived cNeT express elevated levels of PD-1 upon antigen encounter<sup>1</sup>

Cell surface marker flow cytometric analysis (n=1)





# Scale-up of GMP manufacturing for late stage clinical trials and commercial launch



## Royal Free Hospital



GMP facility supporting FiH studies

## Cell & Gene Therapy Catapult



GMP facility supporting open and closed manufacturing process to support clinical and commercial supply

## Center for Breakthrough Medicine



GMP facility in partnership with CBM, a CDMO in Greater Philadelphia

## Hayes



GMP modular facility to support multiple indications for late stage clinical and commercial supply

Online

2019

Peak Capacity

50  
annual doses

2022

200  
annual doses

2023

150-400\*  
annual doses

2025/2026

1,000+  
annual doses

\*Initial plan of 150-200 doses with potential for expansion



\$202M

CURRENT CASH BALANCE<sup>1</sup>

2Q 2025

CURRENT CASH RUNWAY

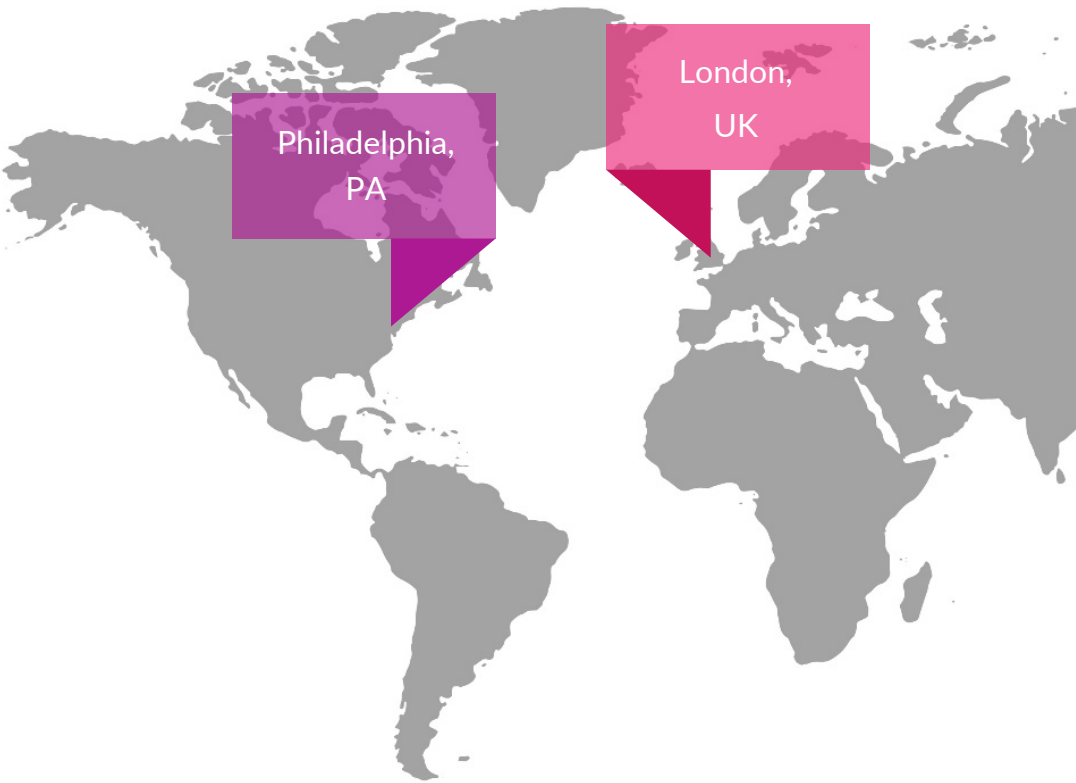
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1. As of June 30, 2022

# Key anticipated 2022 milestones and updates



	2022			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Higher-dose cNeT (Process 2)		First Patient Dose (Process 2) ✓		Initial Process 2 monotherapy patient data
PD-1 + cNeT combo (Process 1 & 2)	Open CPI combo cohort (melanoma) ✓		First Patient Dose (combo)	Initial combo patient data
Facilities and Manufacturing	Establish US HQ and R&D ✓	Catapult GMP License & US CDMO Partnership ✓		
Tumor Archiving Program (TAP)		Initiate TAP program ✓		

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