



# Achilles Therapeutics

Precision Cell Therapy Targeting All Tumor Cells

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# Working to transform the treatment of solid tumors with precision T cell therapy



**Company  
founded**  
2016



**Nasdaq IPO:  
ACHL**  
2021



**Early clinical  
proof of concept**  
2022



**Clinical  
update**  
Q4 2023



**Global Headquarters**  
London, UK



**Two active clinical  
programs with near-term  
clinical milestones**

**Emerging PoC for  
cNeT in NSCLC**

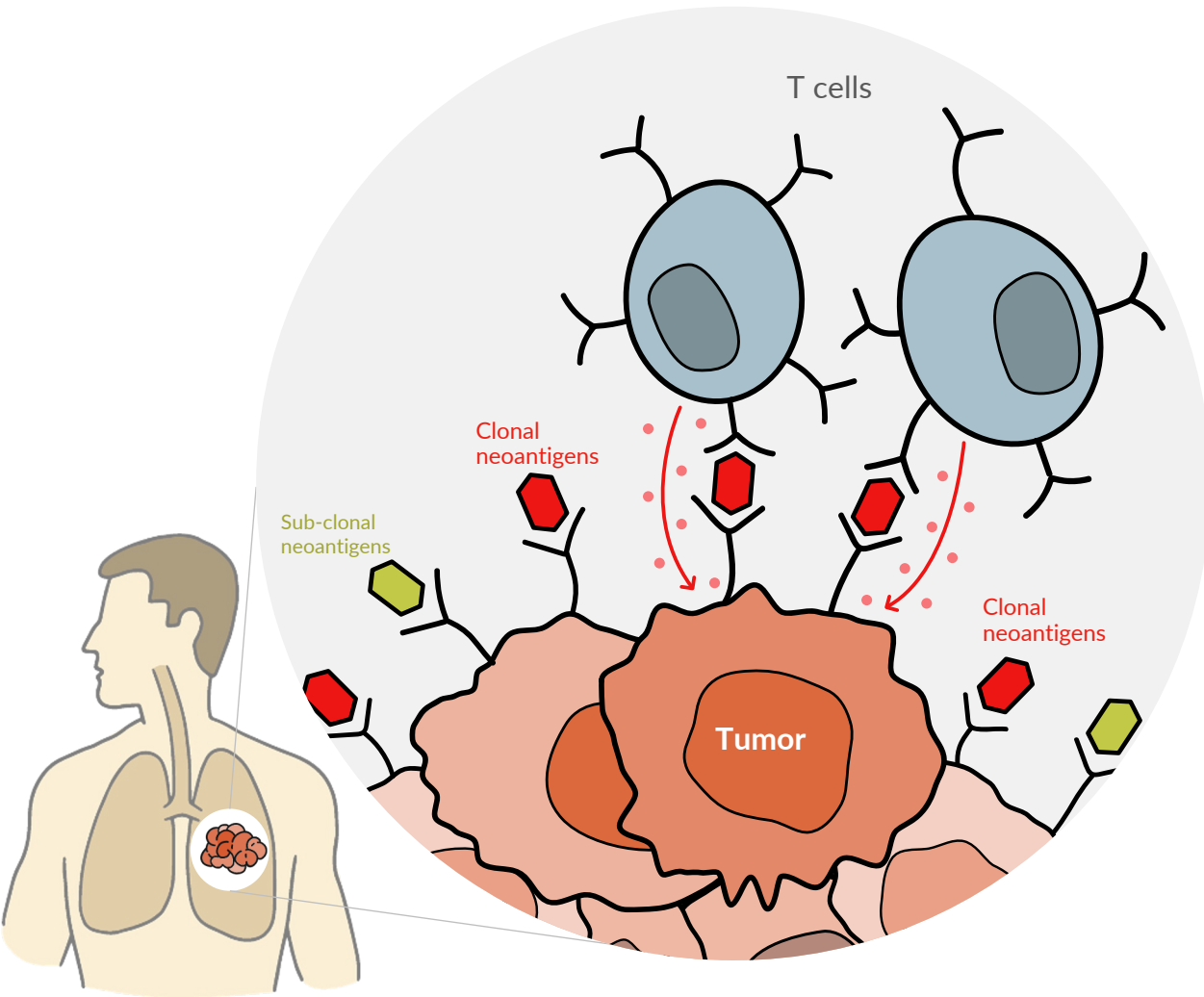
**\$144 M<sup>1</sup> cash supports  
operations through 2025**

**~200 employees**

**U.S. Headquarters**  
Philadelphia, PA



# Targeting clonal neoantigens with patented technology, linking mechanism and potency



**Clonal neoantigens:  
a novel and ideal cancer  
target**

**Only present on all  
cancer cells & absent  
from healthy tissue**

**World leading, patented  
capability to identify  
clonal neoantigens**

**Identifying the most  
potent and immunogenic  
targets**

**Quantify and  
characterize tumor-  
reactive T cells in the  
patient**

**Demonstrated target  
engagement supporting  
mechanism of action**

# Experienced leadership with decades in cell therapy drug development



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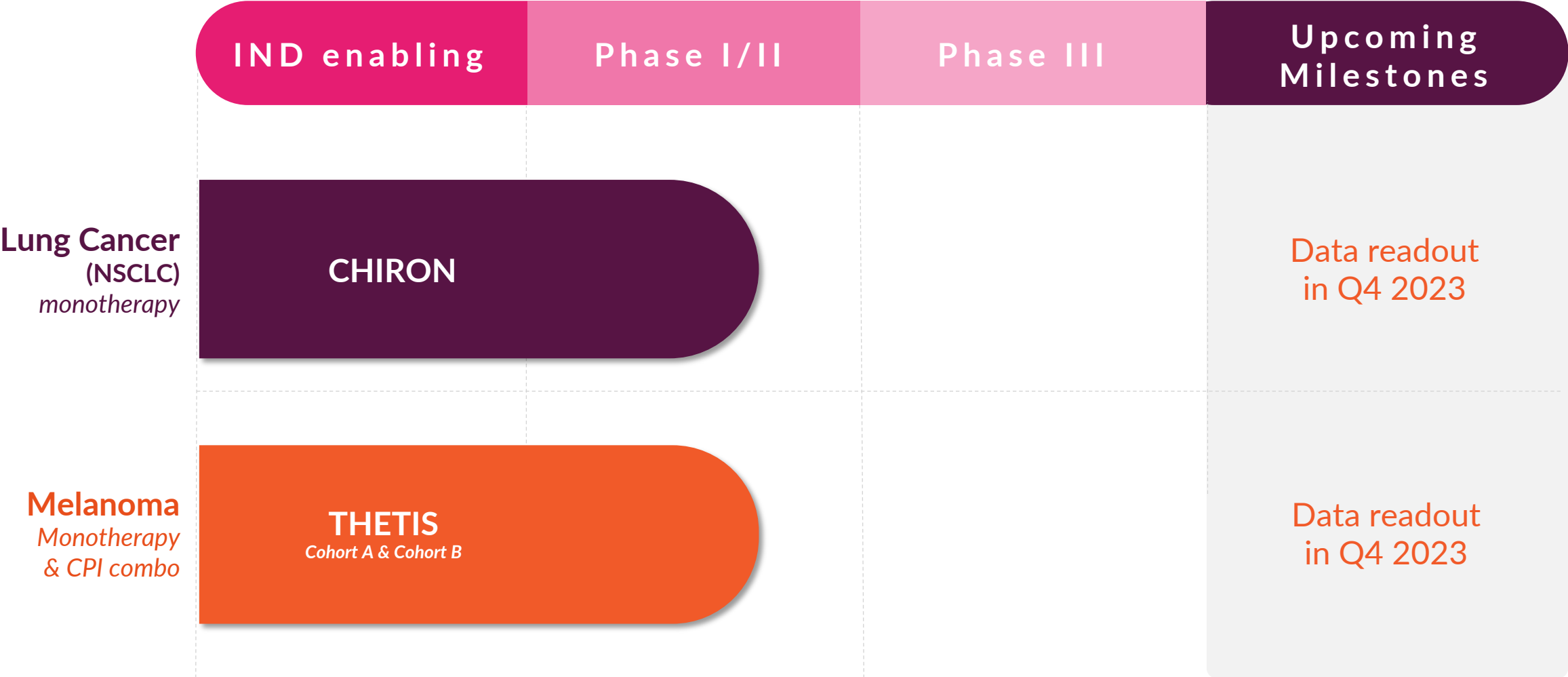
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# Differentiated pipeline of precision T cell therapies across multiple solid tumors



# Cancer is driven by mutations to DNA which create targets for the immune system



DNA damage causes **genetic alterations** which can **lead to cancer**



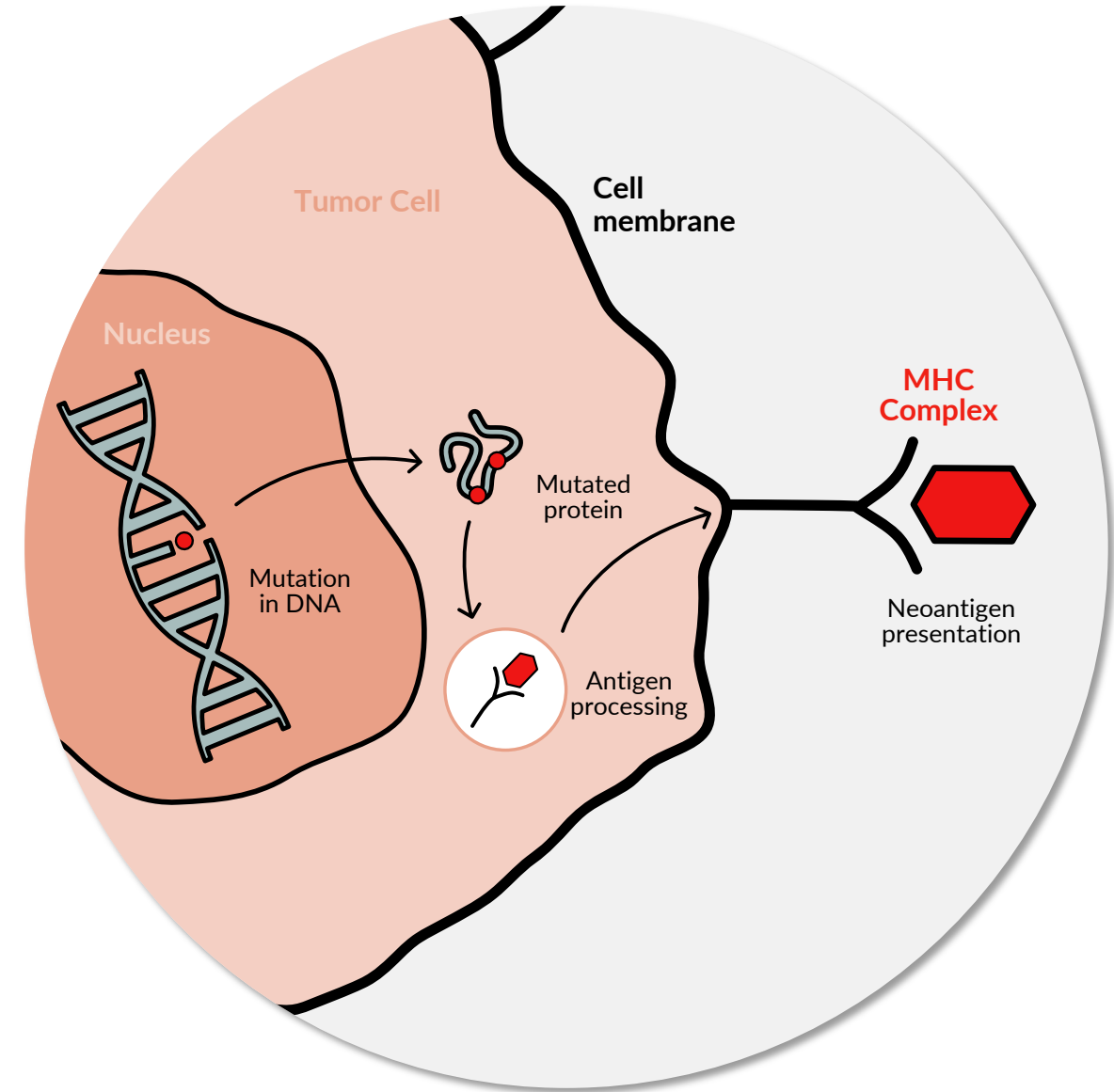
Mutated proteins from these **alterations** **create antigens**



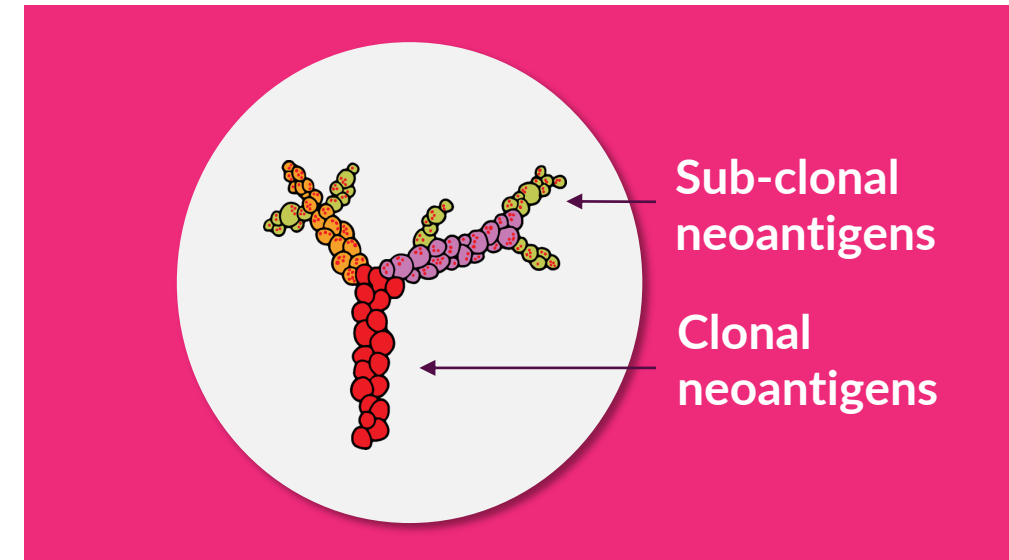
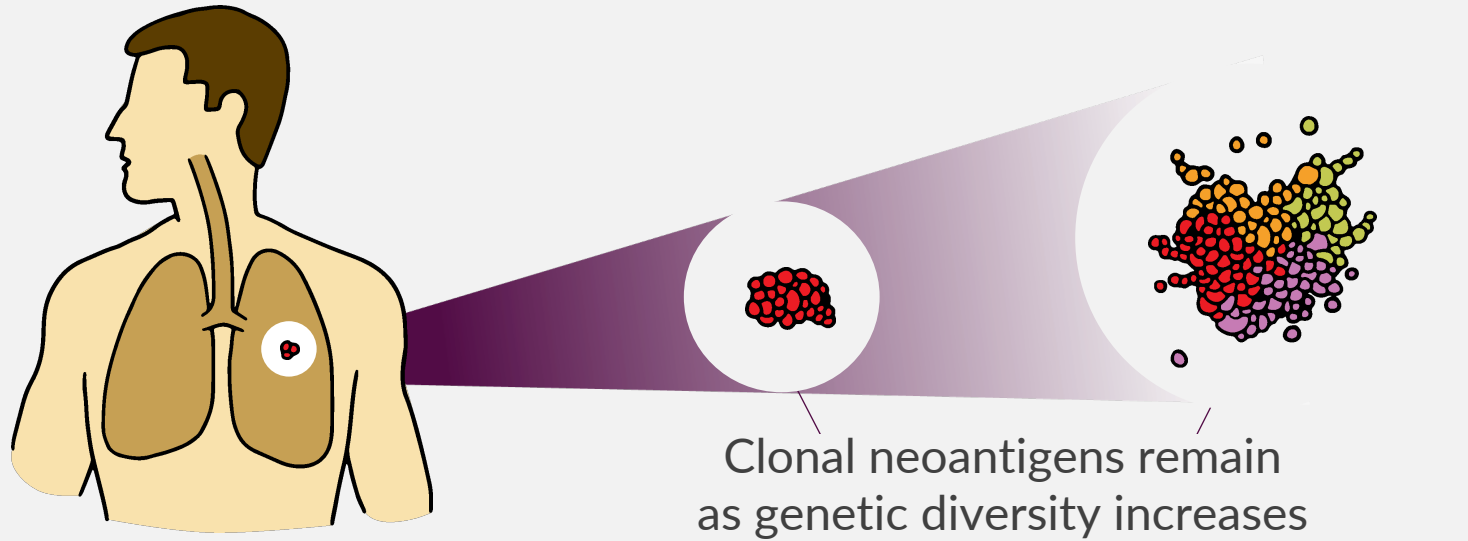
**Neoantigens** presented on cell surface via MHC molecules **recognized by T cells**



T cells will recognize neoantigens as foreign and **destroy the tumor cell**



# The landmark TRACERx study demonstrated that clonal neoantigens are on all tumor cells



Tumors constantly **evolve** and acquire new **mutations**

Original, clonal mutations passed down and **remain in all tumor cells**<sup>1-4</sup>

Achilles can **identify clonal mutations** for each patient & target multiple antigens **only on tumor cells**<sup>2-4</sup>

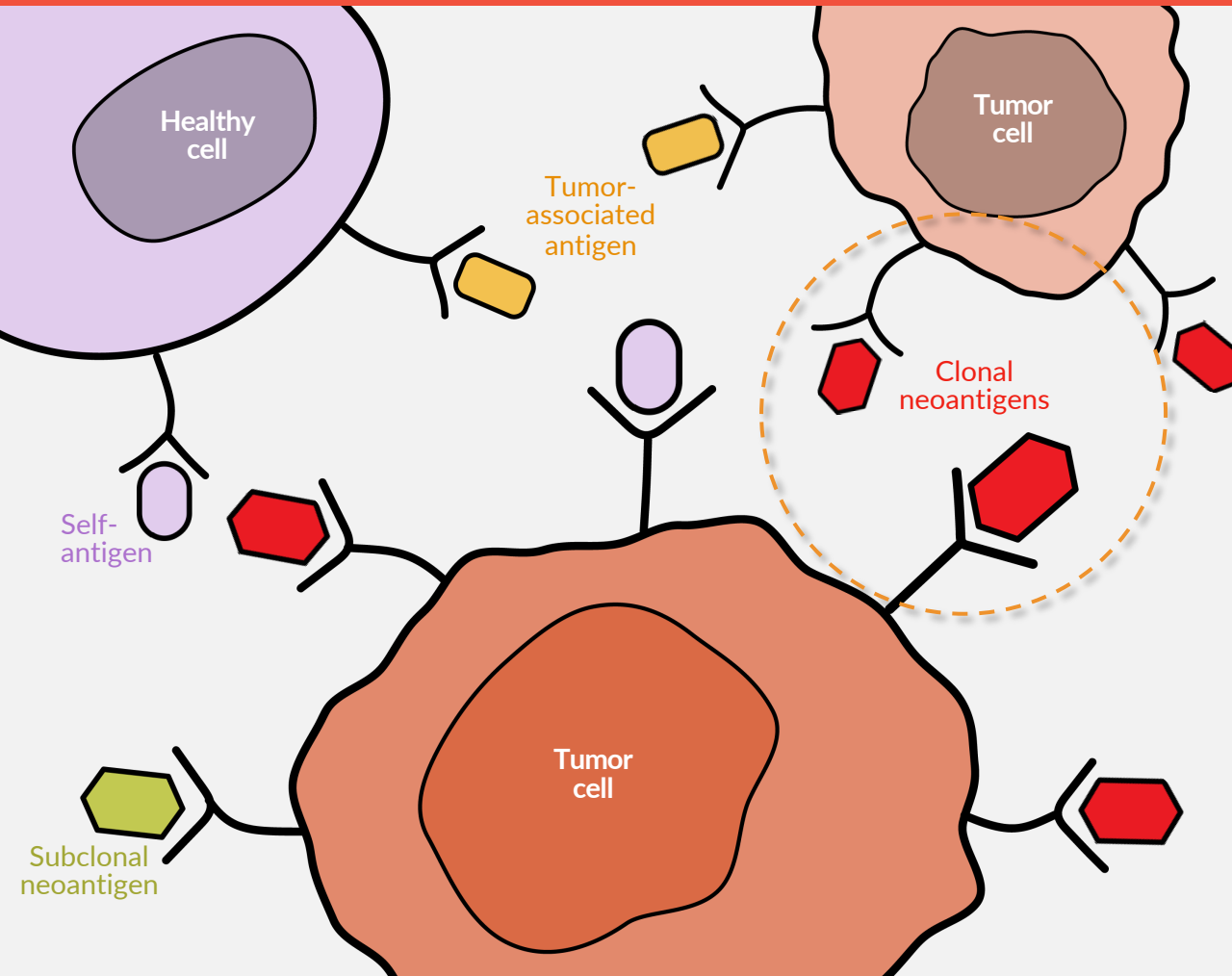


# Clinical evidence supports clonal neoantigens as the best targets to attack solid tumors



Clonals are the only known targets present on all tumor cells & absent from healthy tissue

Multiple clinical modalities validate neoantigens but only clonals drive overall survival



Neoantigen-reactive T cells correlated with **improved outcomes** for **CPI and TIL** therapy<sup>1-3</sup>

Only clonal neoantigens are correlated with **overall survival** in **checkpoint (CPI) therapy**<sup>4-7</sup>

Presence of subclonal neoantigens can be **detrimental** to the activity of **CPI**<sup>8</sup>

**mRNA vaccines targeting neoantigens** clinically validated showing **recurrence-free survival benefit** vs anti-PD-1 alone<sup>7</sup>

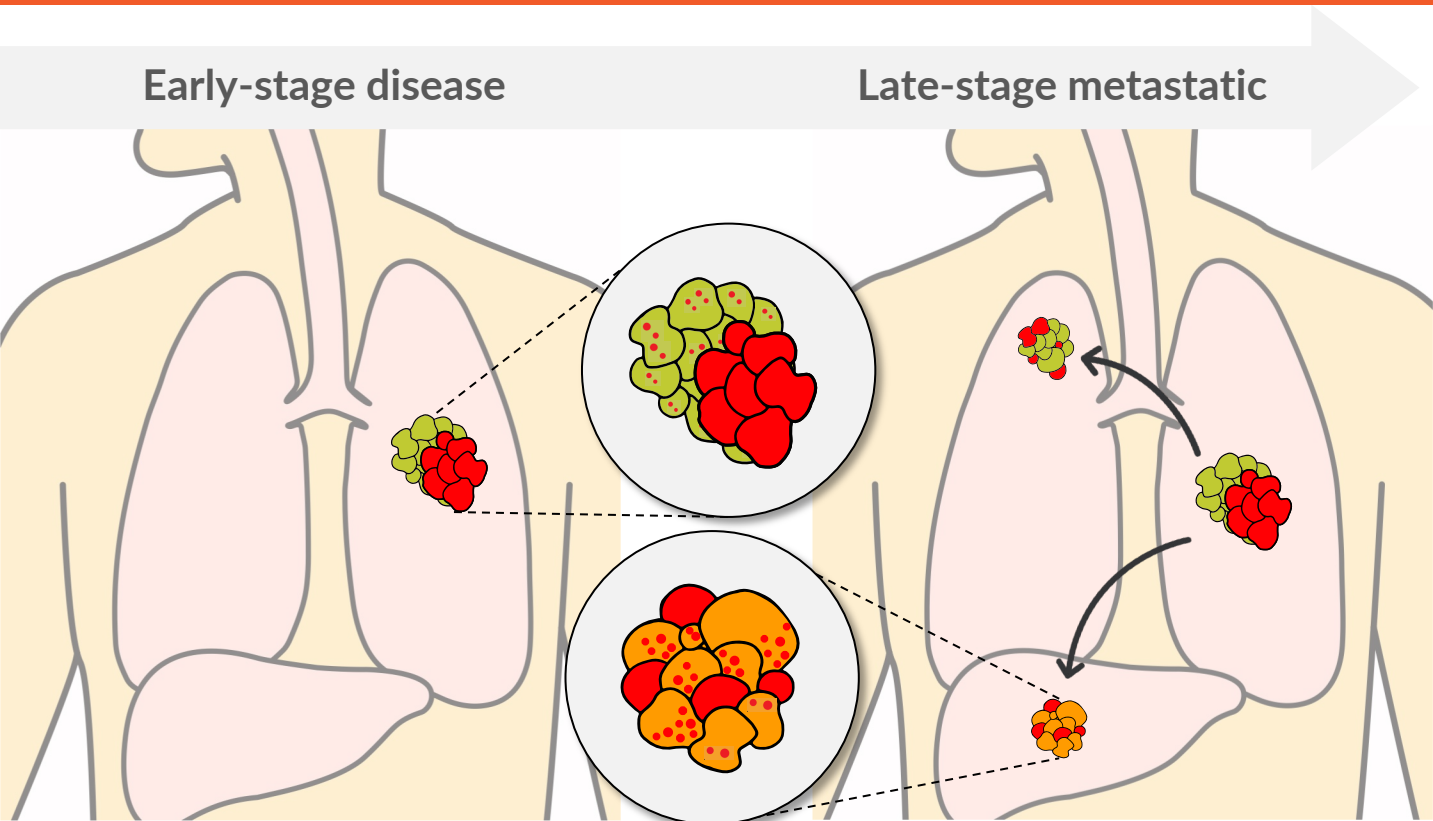
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# TRACERx is a unique asset that enables Achilles' neoantigen identification capability



815 patients enrolled with early stage to advanced NSCLC and followed over several years



Biopsies taken over five years tracking disease progression

Genetic analysis confirms clonal neoantigens are conserved at all tumor sites

## TRACER<sub>x</sub>

Largest longitudinal real-world patient data set of its kind<sup>1-4</sup>

Extensive sequencing data (>4,000 biopsy samples) identify clonal neoantigens at primary and metastatic sites<sup>1-4</sup>

Clonal neoantigens identified by specific sequence “signatures” using patent protected PELEUS platform

# PELEUS™: A patent protected world-leading AI-platform for identifying the most potent and immunogenic targets



**Superior clonal calling** using multi-region analysis proven to overcome limitations of traditional VAF based methods<sup>1</sup>



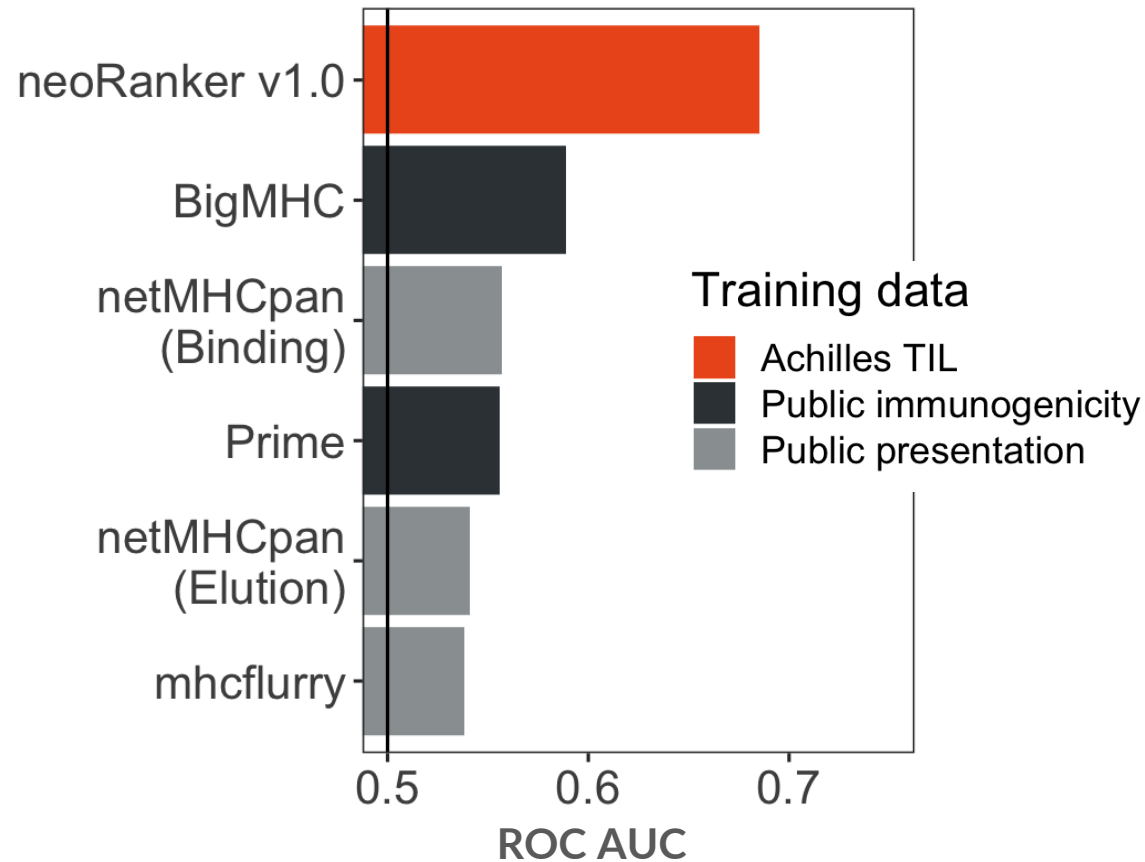
**Selecting most immunogenic targets with AI** using our proprietary, validated “neoRanker” tool; identifies >70% of all T cell reactivities in just 30 antigens

**Mitigates immune evasion<sup>2</sup>** prioritizing antigens not impacted by immune evasion mechanisms (i.e. loss of HLA heterozygosity)



## Immunogenicity ranking benchmark

Validation dataset of TIL derived *bona fide* neoantigen T cell reactivities  
(patients = 21, true positives = 166)



## High quality source data

**Unique training dataset is proprietary**  
while other tools rely on limited public  
databases ranking ability

At least **twice as good as the next best**  
state-of-the-art deep learning models<sup>1</sup>

**Only v1.0 - Significant potential for  
further improvements**

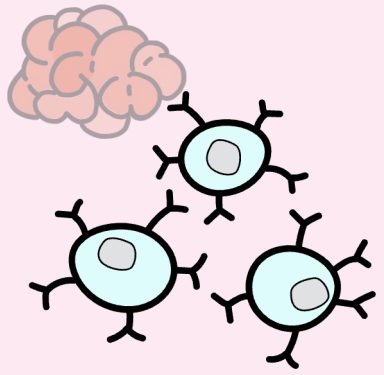
# Clonal neoantigens can be targeted with a range of therapeutic modalities



Current Achilles approach

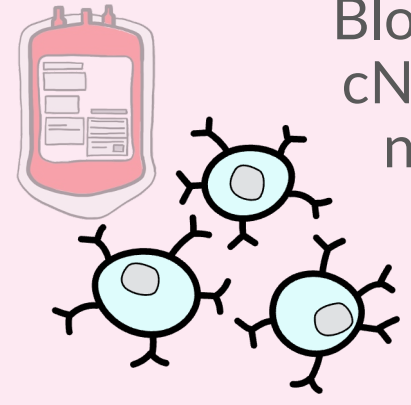
## TIL-based cNeT

Clinically validated across multiple solid tumor settings



## Blood-based cNeT

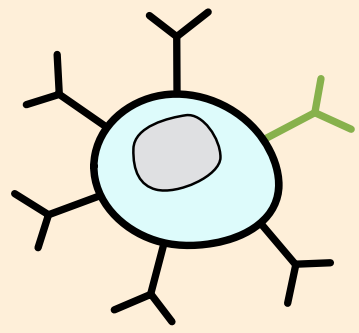
Blood as source of cNeT, without the need for surgery



Alternative modalities

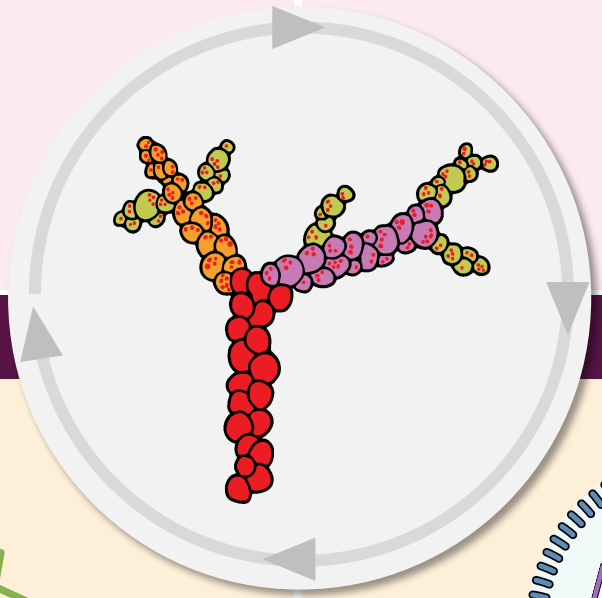
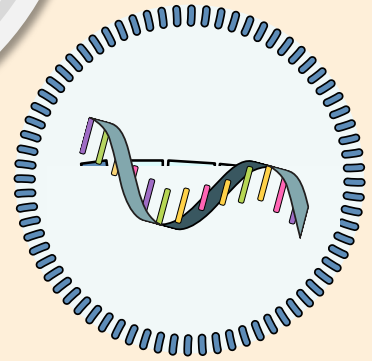
## TCR-therapy

T cells engineered with receptors that target shared neoantigens



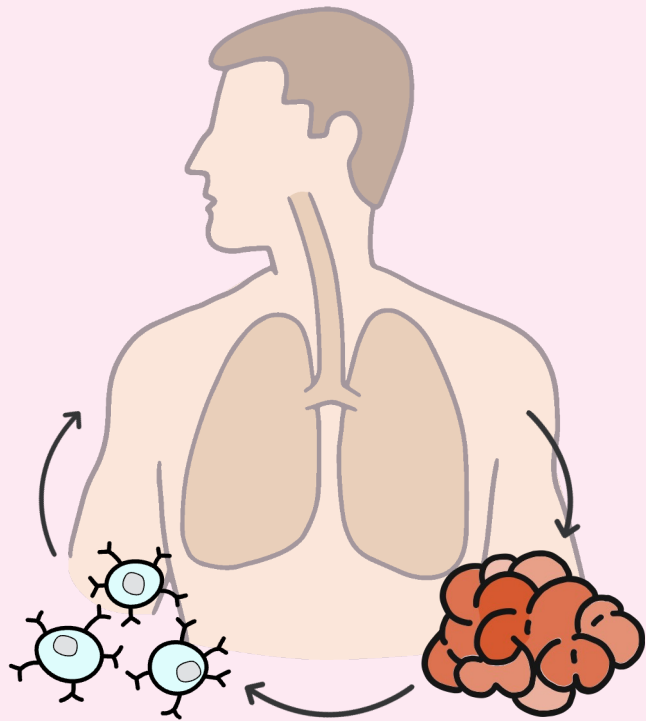
## Clonal neoantigen vaccines

mRNA vaccines using highly immunogenic clonal neoantigens to improve efficacy





## TIL: impressive clinical responses seen in multiple late-stage settings



31% ORR TIL monoTx in PD-1 refractory **melanoma** (n=153)<sup>1</sup>



21% ORR TIL monoTx in PD-1 refractory **NSCLC** (n=28)<sup>2</sup>



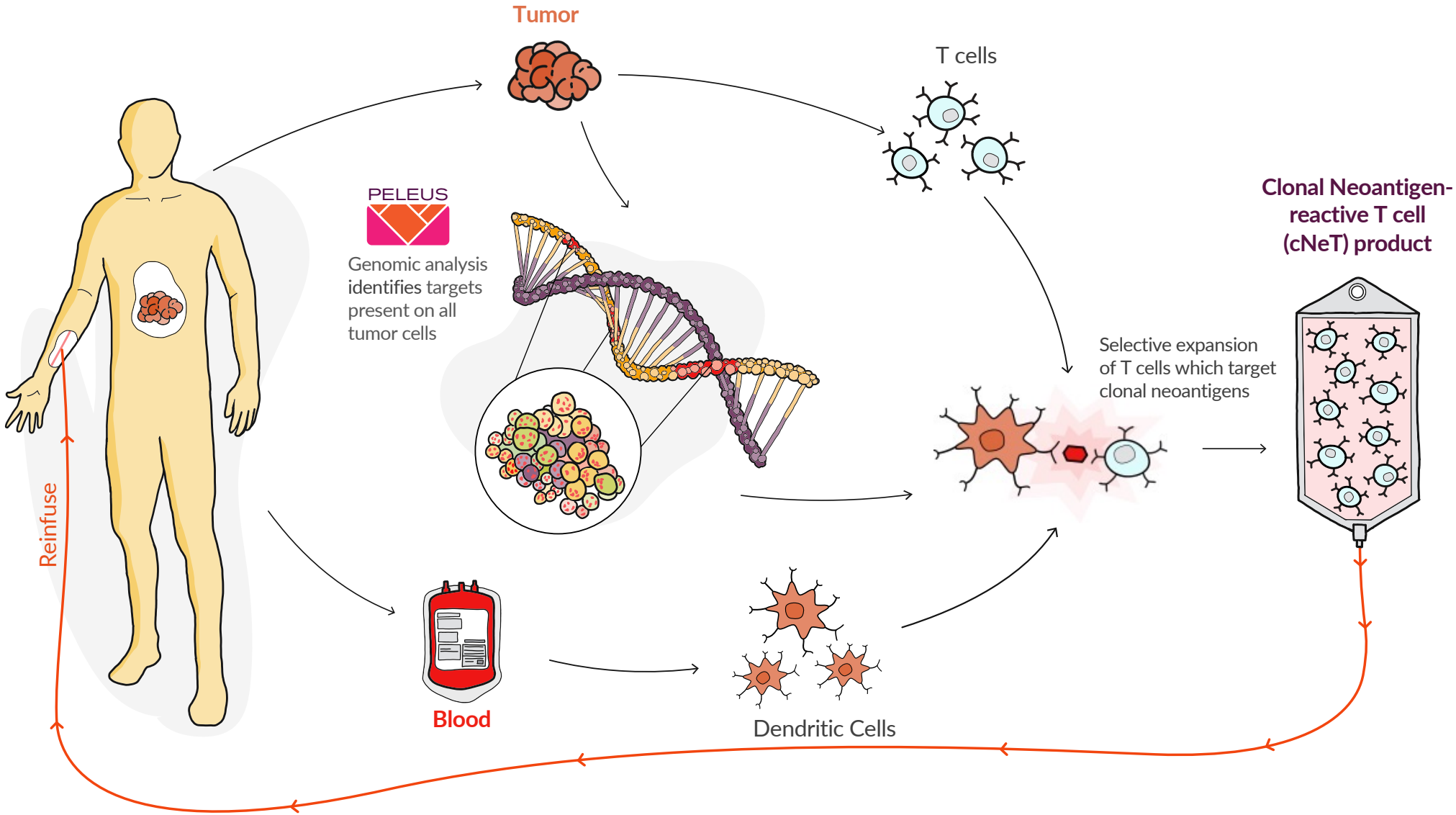
44% ORR TIL monoTx in pre-treated **cervical cancer** (n=27)<sup>3</sup>

Standard **TIL therapy uses non-specific expansion with no control** or ability to quantify the final active component in the cell product

cNeT aim to **improve on traditional TIL** therapy by prospectively targeting clonal neoantigens to create a **more potent, tumor-reactive product**

# Achilles process delivers precision clonal neoantigen targeting T cell therapy (cNeT)

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



# Two studies open in advanced NSCLC and melanoma



## 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) and biomarkers of clinical activity

Ongoing in UK, Europe 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)

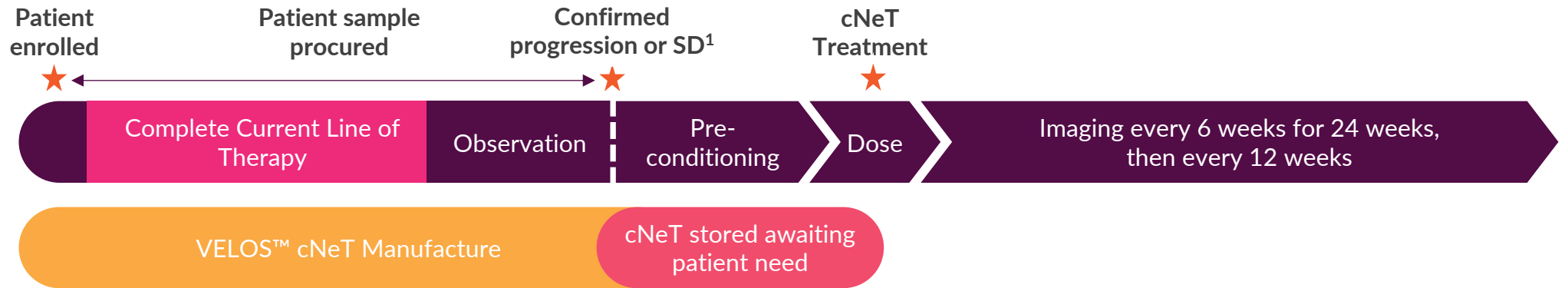
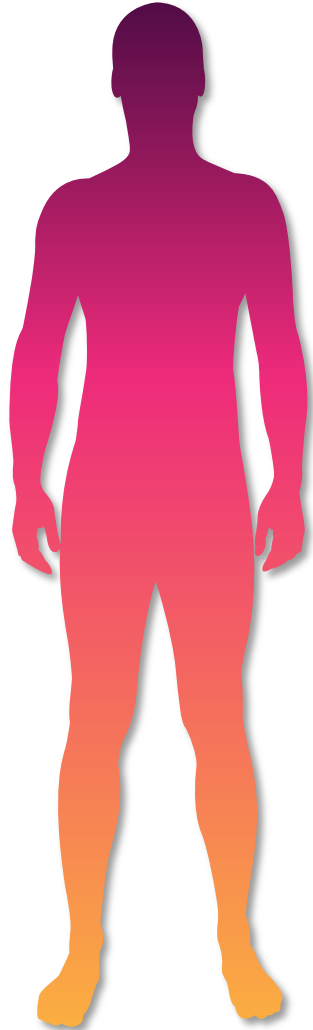
- n = up to 20 checkpoint refractory patients; Open-label
- CPI dosed 7-13 days prior to cNeT and restarted day 14 post-cNeT

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Ongoing in UK and Europe, expanding to US



# cNeT therapies will be readily delivered within standard treatment pathways



**Manufacturing**

Manufactured and cryopreserved for infusion

**Tolerable pre-conditioning**

Lower, more tolerable pre-conditioning (cy/flu)

**Low IL-2**

Lower dose IL-2 vs existing TIL therapies



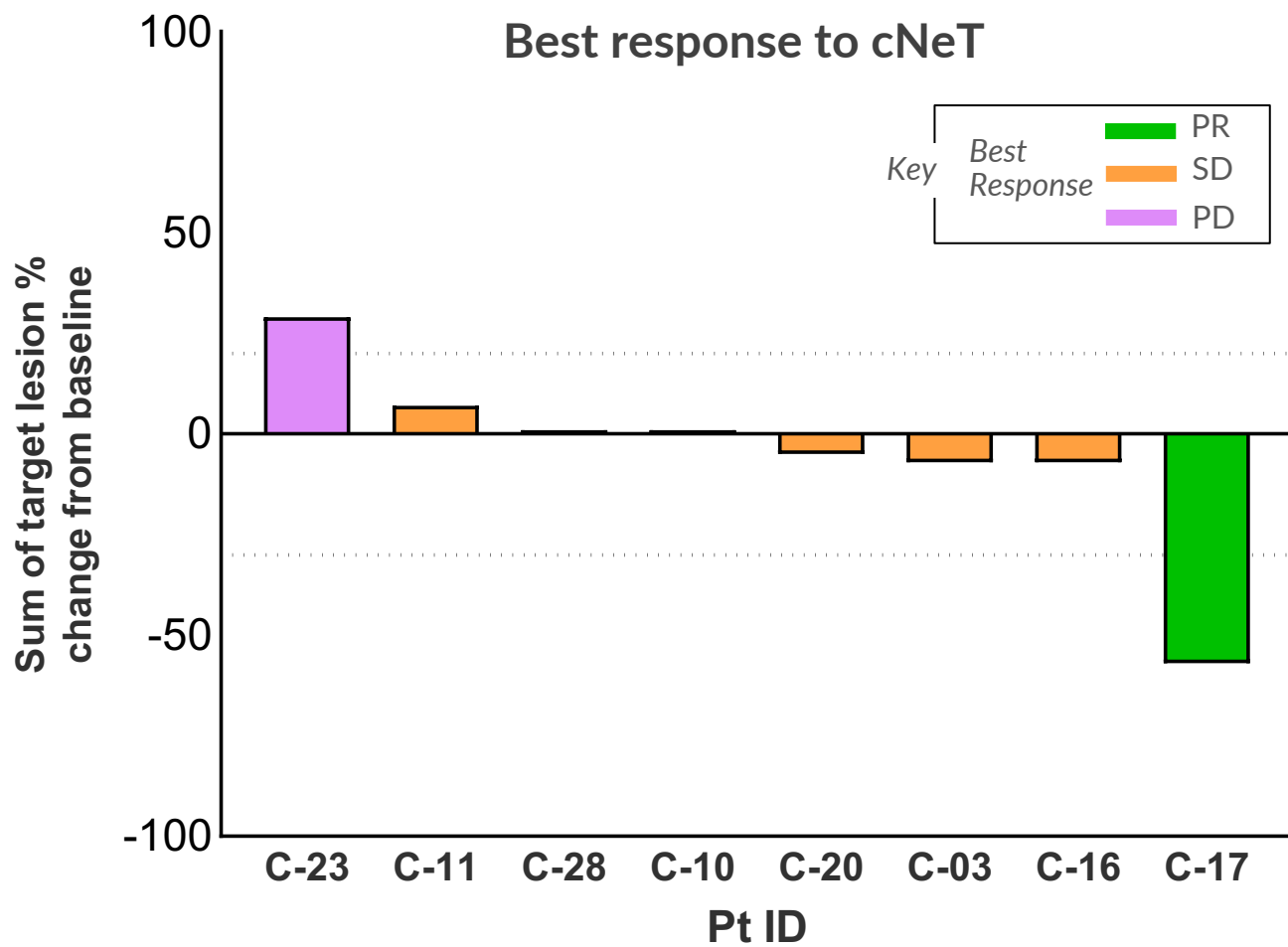
## Heavily pretreated patients with advanced cancer

- Eight advanced unresectable or metastatic NSCLC patients (CHIRON)
- Six relapsed/refractory melanoma patients (THETIS)
- Two median lines of prior therapy, all patients refractory to checkpoint inhibitor (CPI)
- All patients had progressive disease at time of lymphodepletion
- Process improvements delivering median cNeT dose of 78M (n=3 dosed patients)

## cNeT tolerability profile<sup>1</sup>

- Tolerability similar to standard TIL
- No new cNeT-related SAEs or dose-limiting toxicities since last report (ESMO 2022)
- Lower dose lymphodepletion and lower dose IL-2 well tolerated
  - 124/130 (95%) scheduled IL-2 doses delivered
- Lymphopenia and neutropenia the most common AEs

## 8 CHIRON (NSCLC) patients dosed with Best Response of PR and SD<sup>1</sup>



### Early proof-of-concept demonstrated in NSCLC

- Disease control at >12 weeks observed in 5 of 7 evaluable patients (71%), including one PR (>36 weeks)
- 4 of 7 (57%) out to >18 weeks

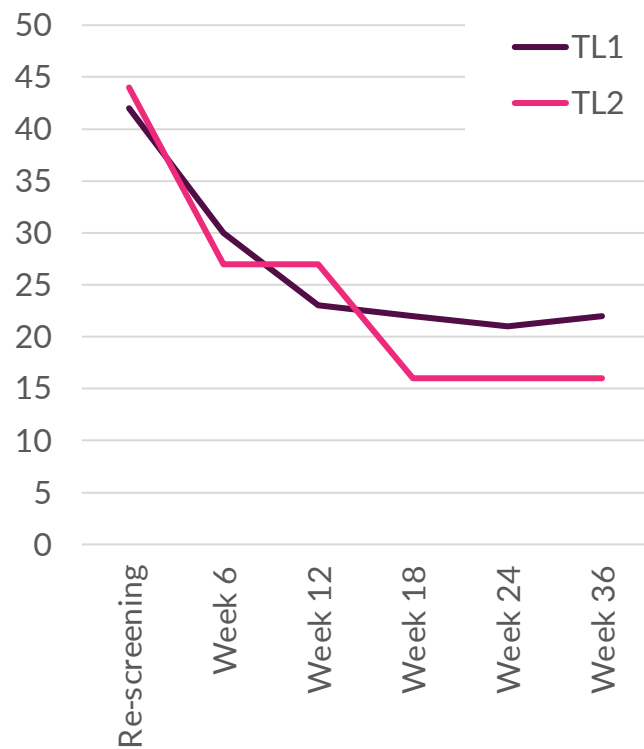
### PR and SD with lower dose lymphodepletion and IL-2

- Supports potential for wider applicability of cNeT, including in an ambulatory setting

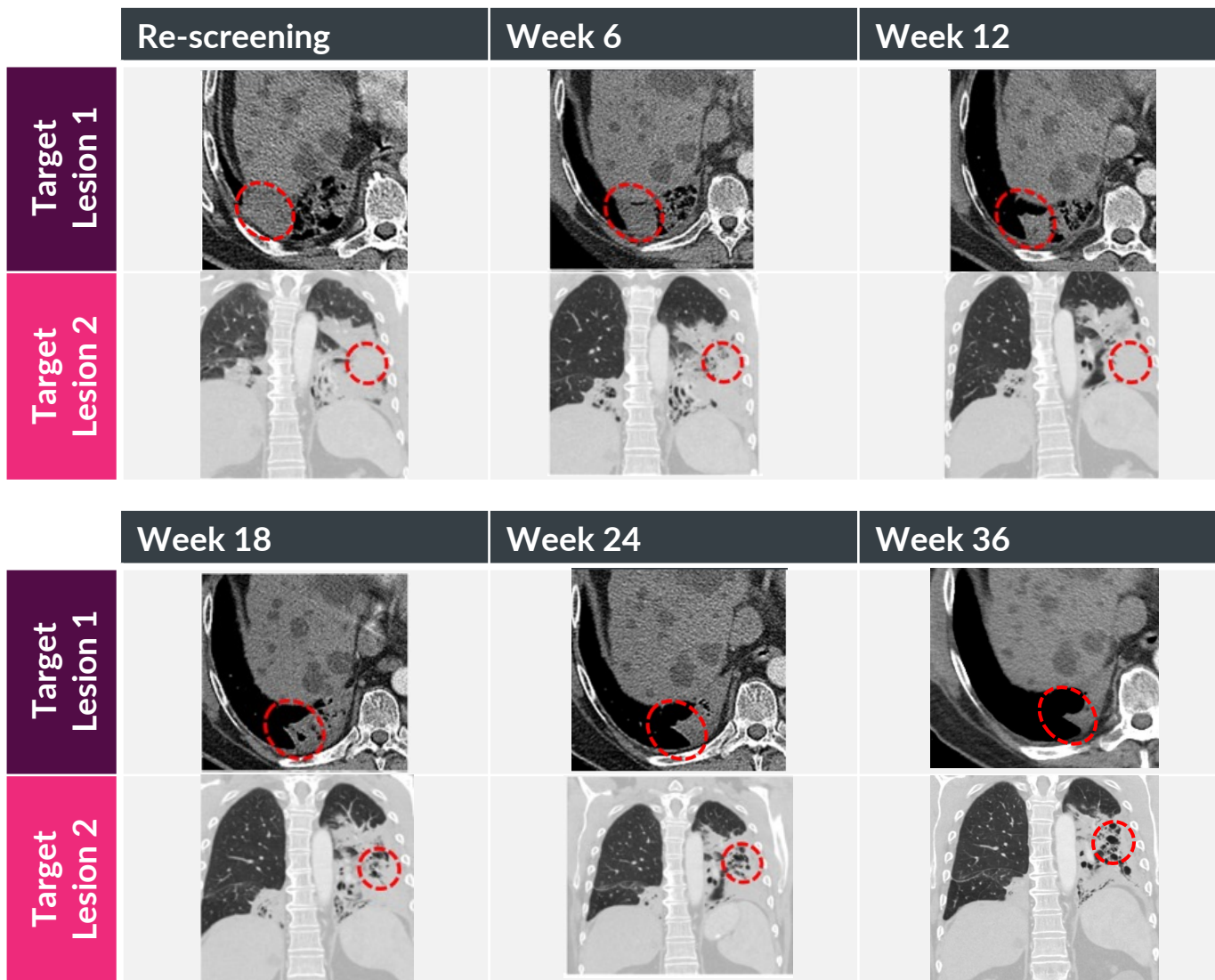
# Patient C-17: 56% reduction in total target lesion size vs. baseline at week 36



Target lesion (TL) size<sup>1</sup>  
mm, C-17



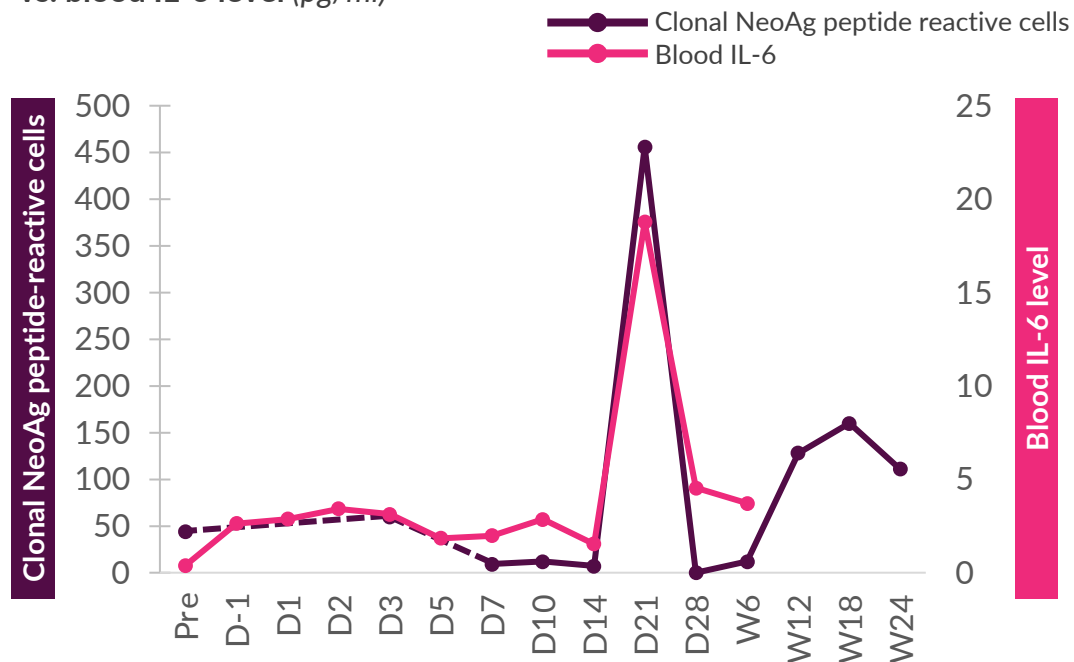
Total target lesion reduction of **56%** at week 36,  
with a **64%** reduction in Target Lesion 2



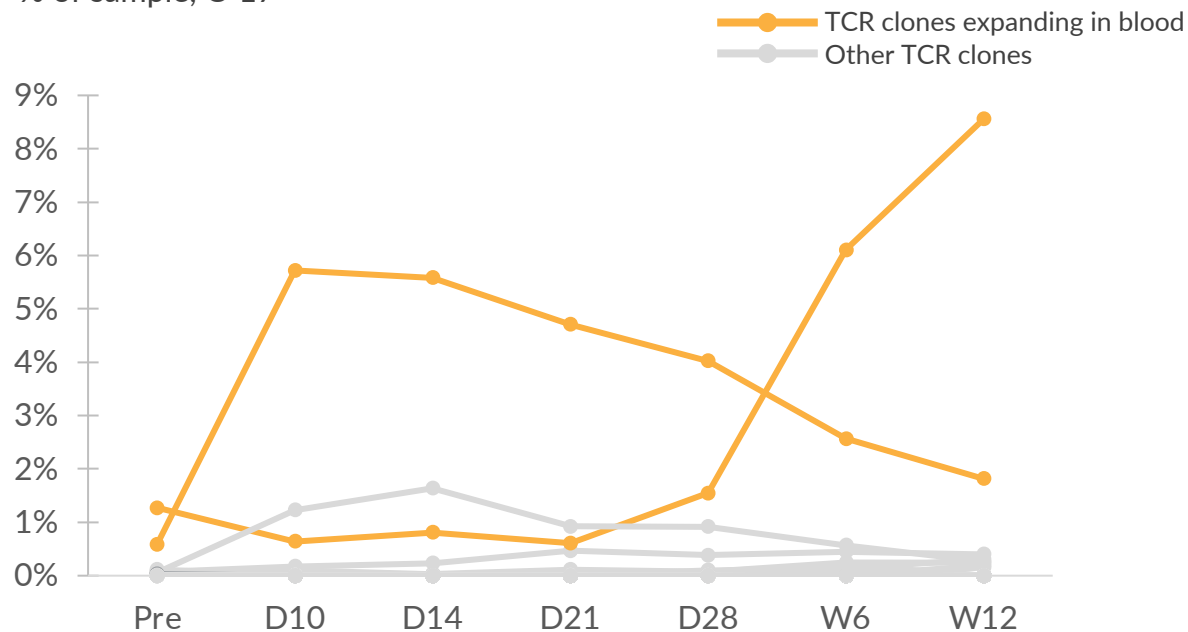
# Patient C-17: cNeTs expand and persist beyond week 12 coincident with tumor regression



Clonal neoantigen peptide-reactive cells in blood (normalized spot count) vs. blood IL-6 level (pg/ml)



Detection of T cell receptors from the product % of sample, C-17

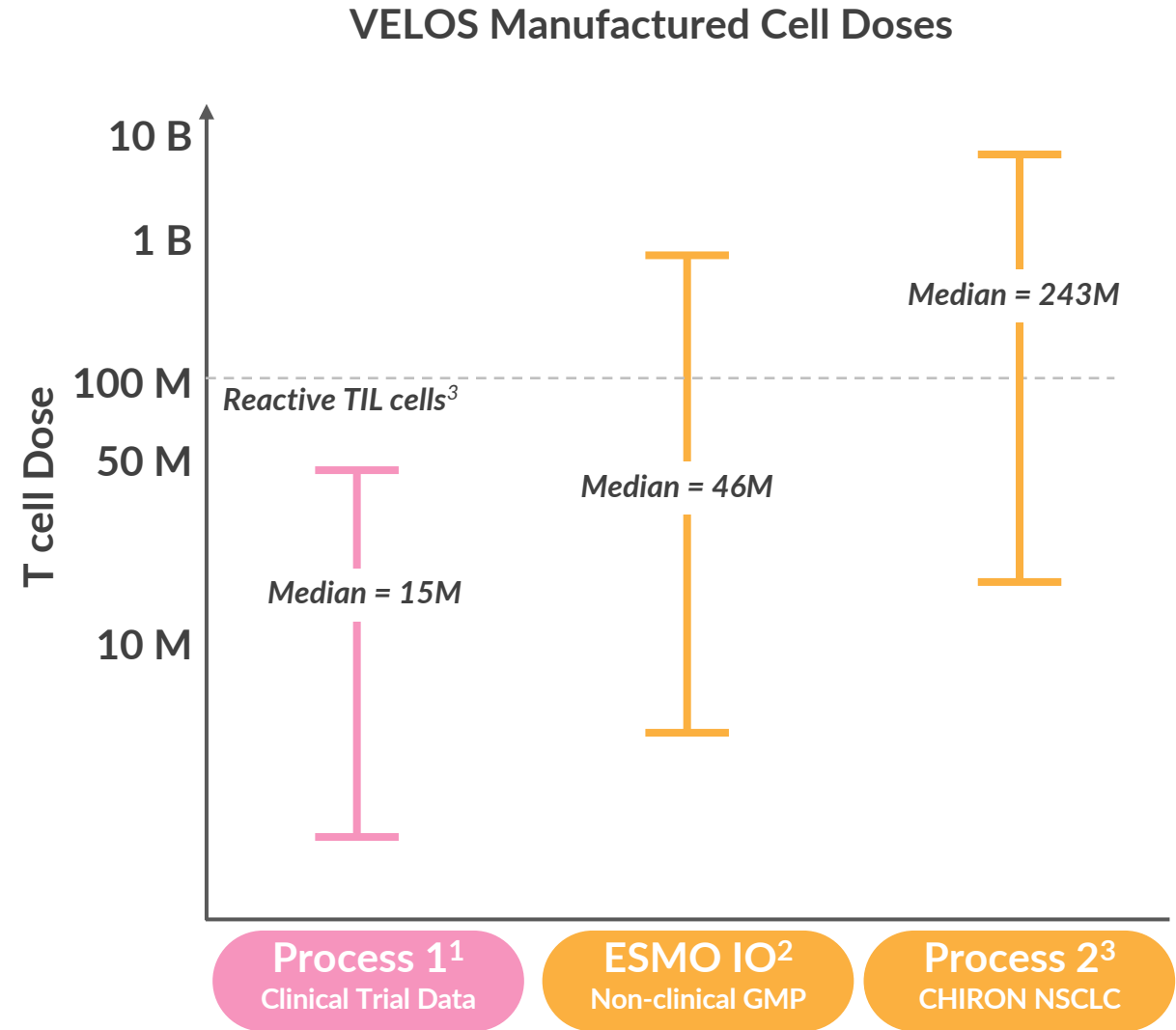


Clonal neoantigen reactive T cells detected in blood-post dosing, with peak at Day 21 – coincident with peak in serum cytokine associated with T cell activity (IL-6)

T cell clones that are clonal neoantigen-specific are identified expanding in the patient beyond 12 weeks and to a greater extent than other patients



	Process 1	Process 2
Pre-Expansion	T cells are harvested from the tumor	Optimized upfront TIL extraction + cytokines boost for 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





## Lymphodepletion & IL-2 well tolerated



- Lower dose lymphodepletion and IL-2 and 95% of IL-2 doses well tolerated
- Supports potential for wider applicability of cNeT, including in an ambulatory setting

## Early PoC in NSCLC



- Disease control >12 weeks in 71% patients, including one PR (>36 weeks)
- Potential for deep, durable clinical responses with reduced lymphodepletion and IL-2

## cNeT Driving Anti-tumor Activity



- Engraftment & cytokine profiles supportive of cNeT driving anti-tumor activity
- Active cNeT peak expansion at day 21 coincides with peak in IL-6 (marker of activity)

## Clinical data

- Clinical and translational updates for 15-20 new patients in Q4 2023
- NSCLC (CHIRON) monotherapy and melanoma (THETIS) monotherapy and in combination with check-point inhibitor (anti-PD-1)

# Efficient scale-up of GMP manufacturing to align with clinical and commercial need



Flexible manufacturing allows efficient alignment of scale-up

GMP facilities at Royal Free Hospital in London and Catapult site in Stevenage, UK support global clinical trial manufacturing

Identified and initiated tech transfer to CDMO in Philadelphia, USA, in preparation for expansion

Design work complete for GMP modular facility to support late-stage clinical and commercial supply







## Clinical



Dose & **deliver data from 15-20 additional patients** with cNeT monotherapy (lung & melanoma) and CPI combo (melanoma)

**Drive additional confirmed responses** in CHIRON and THETIS patients with higher cNeT doses

## Translational



**Leverage world-class translational science** platform to define actionable cNeT features of response

## Process



Continue **PELEUS™** and **process development** to optimize dose and **identify new sources of clonal neoantigens**



## Targeting clonal neoantigens: a novel class of cancer target present on all tumor cells

We have developed a proprietary patent protected AI platform (PELEUS®) that is validated on real world patient data (TRACERx) and which can be used to identify personal clonal neoantigens



## Controlled precision therapy

Scientific platform that can quantify, characterize and track tumor reactive T cells, target engagement and mechanism of action



## Emerging PoC for cNeT in NSCLC

Durable disease control achieved with cNeT monotherapy, 71% (5/7) NSCLC patients (including 1 PR and 4 SDs) with encouraging safety and tolerability



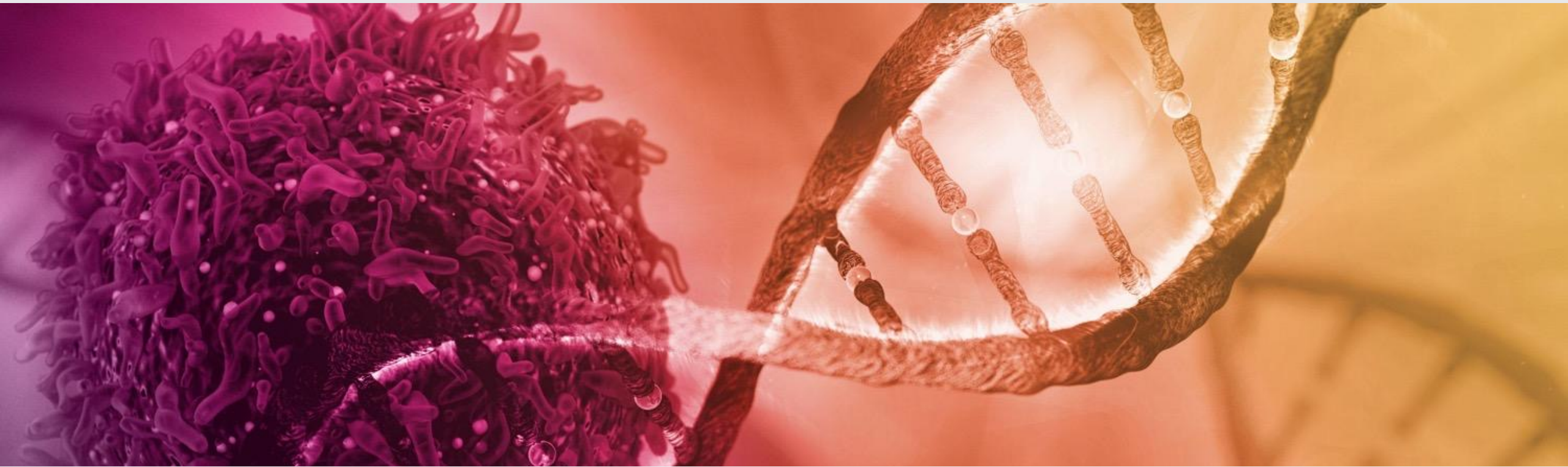
## Near-term clinical milestones

Clinical and translational updates in 2023: 15-20 new patients across NSCLC (CHIRON) monotherapy and melanoma (THETIS) monotherapy and in combination with check-point inhibitor (anti-PD-1)



## Strong cash position supports all planned operations through 2025

Cash runway of \$144M as of June 30, 2023



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