



Achilles Therapeutics

Precision T cell therapies to treat solid tumors

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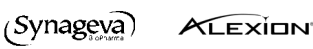
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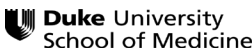


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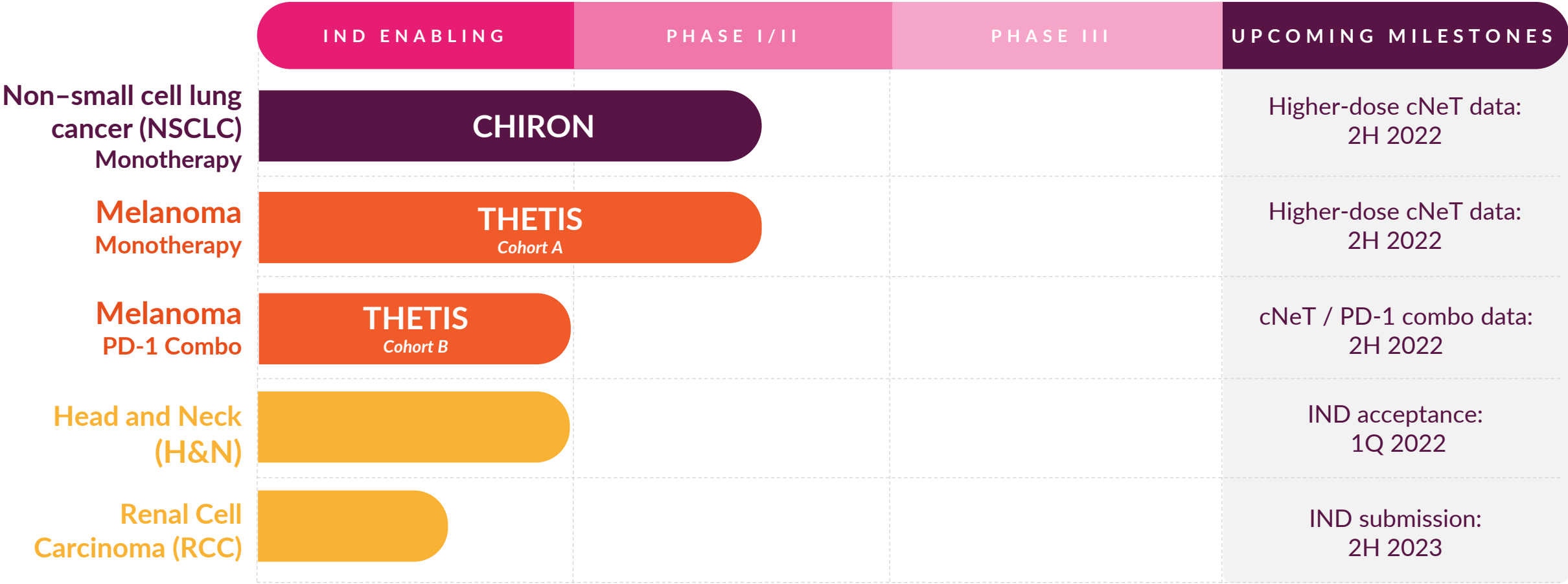
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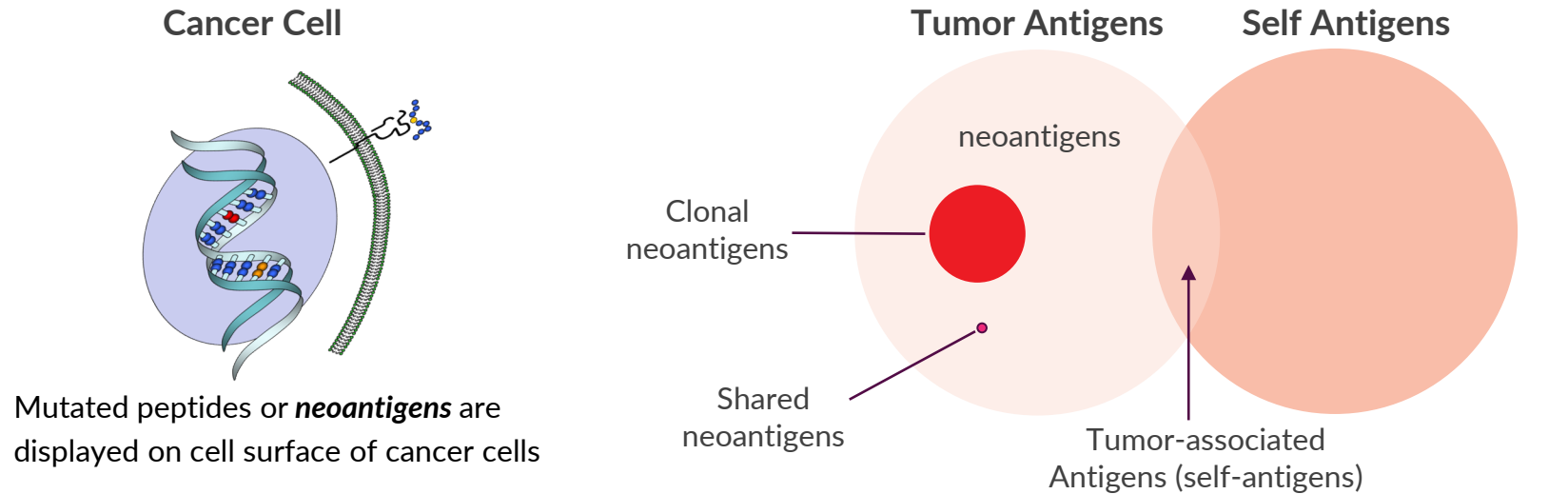


Differentiated and focused pipeline of precision T cell therapies across solid tumors

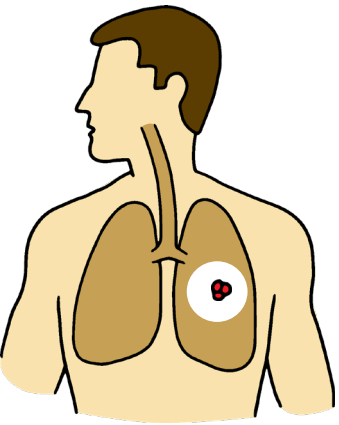


Clonal neoantigens are novel tumor-specific targets present on all tumor cells...

... but they have been challenging to identify



Mutated peptides or **neoantigens** are displayed on cell surface of cancer cells



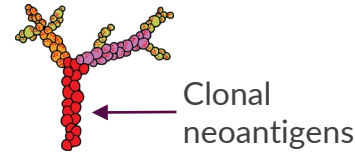
Clonal neoantigens are the original mutations formed early and **present on all cancer cells**



Over time the development of **new mutations** (subclonal neoantigens) creates genetic heterogeneity¹ which confounds treatment with standard therapies



Achilles has developed proprietary technology to distinguish and identify each patient's **clonal neoantigens** present on their tumor cells



Clonal neoantigens are:

A subset of neoantigens formed early in tumor evolution

Expressed on all tumor cells including metastases¹

Absent from healthy cells and tissues



The ability to identify clonal neoantigens has been challenging because of the lack of **multi-region, longitudinal, deep sequencing data** and bioinformatics to confirm **true clonality**

Unique and industry leading capability to identify clonal neoantigens

Using proprietary TRACERx patient study and PELEUS bioinformatics platform to define clonality



TRACERx Clinical study and database of tumor evolution

Longitudinal data across 5 yrs from over 780 NSCLC patients^{1,2,3,4}

One of the largest deep sequencing, multi-region and multi-time point bioinformatic data sets with over 3,000 tumor samples

Applicable across solid tumor types

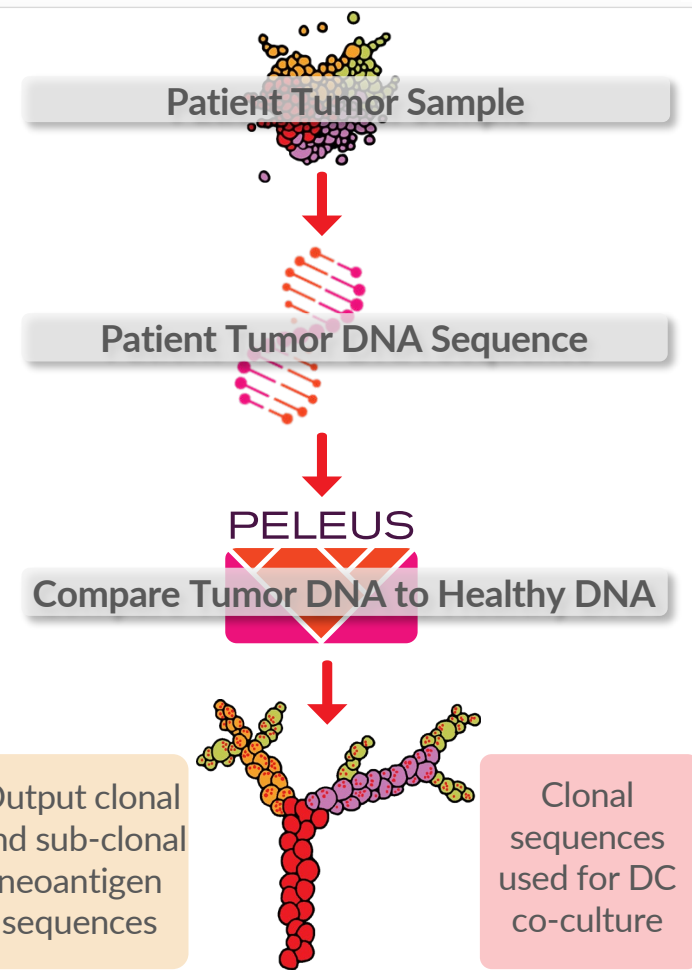


Proprietary bioinformatics platform

Industrialized extensive data from TRACERx into proprietary algorithms

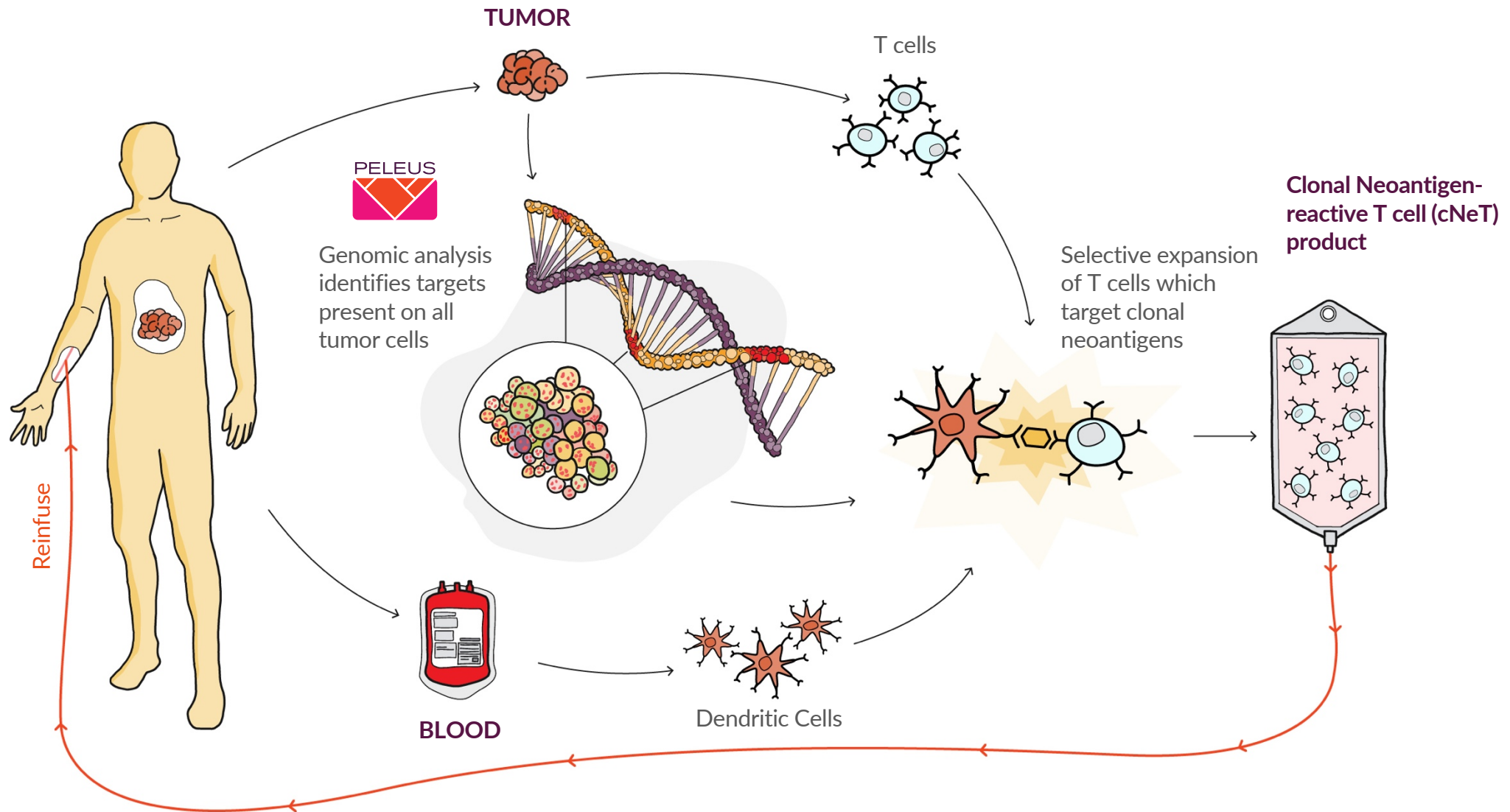
Designed and trained using TRACERx data

Sophisticated algorithms distinguish tumor DNA from non-tumor DNA and clonal from sub-clonal neoantigens for each patient



Precision TIL therapy targeting clonal neoantigens

Using cutting edge personalized genomics to target all cancer cells in the patient



Achilles cNeT generated by VELOS™ manufacturing can overcome standard TIL limitations



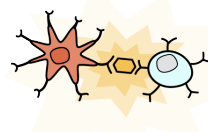
cNeT: Clonal neoantigen-reactive T cells generated by VELOS manufacturing offer precision & potency

Precision expansion of T cells targets patient-specific clonal neoantigens



Correlates with the efficacy of TIL¹ and checkpoint inhibitors²

DC-driven T cell expansion and low levels of IL-2 increase fitness and expand patient eligibility



Drives CD4+ and CD8+ T cell anti-tumor immunity

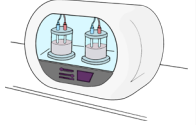
Measurable and trackable



Antigen-specific potency
T cell engraftment and expansion capabilities

In vivo cNeT quantification and tracking post-dosing

Proprietary commercial-scale process



Designed to be a closed, automated manufacturing process, delivering competitive commercial COGS

Standard TIL: Despite impressive results, opportunities exist for improvement of standard TIL therapies

Non-specific expansion of all T cells

No control over which antigens are targeted

Expansion using high doses of IL-2

T cells with reduced fitness and anti-tumor activity³

Unknown potency and expansion

Product makeup unknown and cells cannot be tracked following administration

Manufacturing based on an academic process

Developed in the 1980s

1. Lauss et al., Nature Comm, 2017

2. Snyder et al., NEJM, 2014

3. Gattinoni et al. J Clin Invest, 2005

Achilles' cNeT therapy targets patient-specific clonal neoantigens expressed on all tumor cells



Tumor associated antigens

Present on some tumor cells and on healthy tissue

Fate
THERAPEUTICS

Adaptimmune
TRANSFORMING T CELL THERAPY

TMUNITY

TCR²
THERAPEUTICS

MARKER
THERAPEUTICS

Unselected Neoantigens

Present on some tumor cells

IOVANCE
BIOTHERAPEUTICS

InstilBio

BIONTECH

OBSIDIAN
THERAPEUTICS

Lyell

neogene
THERAPEUTICS

genocea

PACT pharma

Clonal neoantigens

Present on all tumor cells, absent from healthy tissue



Achilles has a unique capability to target clonal neoantigens

We believe our process can deliver tumor specificity and potency improvements over standard TIL

Strong evidence that neoantigens are attractive targets in oncology



Positive efficacy outcomes with checkpoint inhibitors correlated with mutational burden

Neoantigens are likely being targeted by T cells following checkpoint therapy

NEJM, 2014
Snyder et al

Clinical benefit in TIL therapy improves with increased neoantigens

Neoantigens are the likely targets for TIL therapy

Nature Comms, 2017
M Lauss et al

Frequency of neoantigen reactive T cells within TIL correlated with improved survival

Neoantigens are the likely targets for TIL therapy

J Clin Invest, 2021
N Kristensen et al

Adoptive transfer of TIL targeting a single neoantigen delivered tumor reduction and long-term disease control

Neoantigens are the likely targets for TIL therapy and targeting a single neoantigen can deliver long term disease control

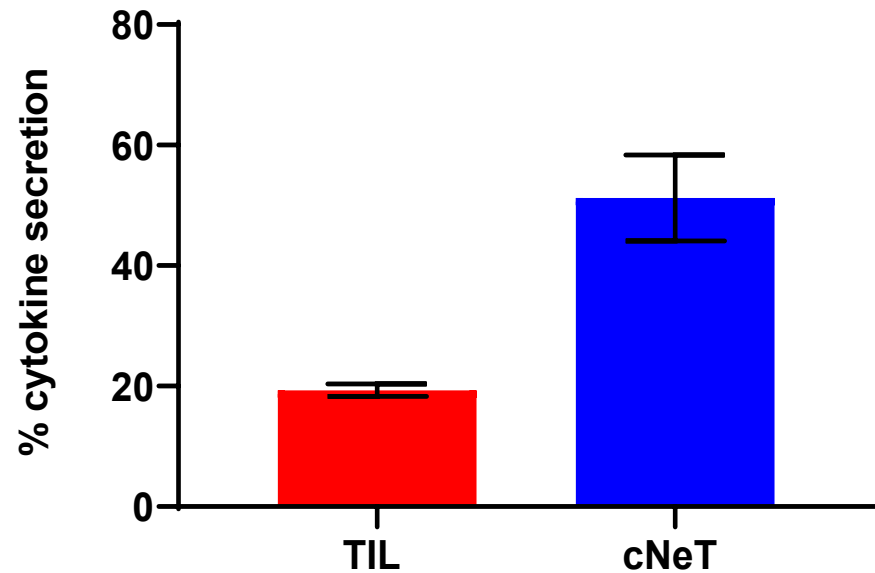
Science, 2014
E Tran et al

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



T cell fitness¹

% cytokine secretion, patient data, n=5



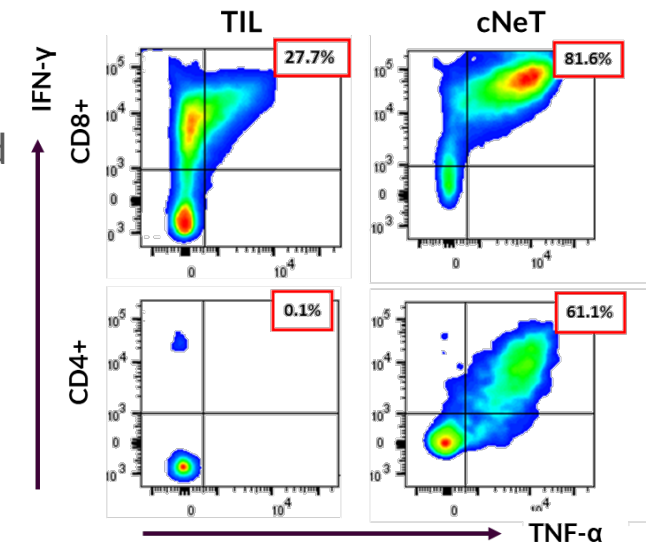
Natural dendritic cell-driven expansion improves
T cell fitness

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

T cell specificity and function²

Cytokine secretion measured through flow cytometric analysis, n=1

VELOS selectively expands tumor-derived clonal neoantigen reactive CD4+ and CD8+ T cells with improved **specificity and potency**.



CD4+ and CD8+ T cells can work in concert to deliver
robust and durable responses³⁻⁵

2. Achilles' data measuring the production of inflammatory cytokines in response to clonal neoantigens
3. Hunder et al., NEJM, 2008
4. Church et al., Eur J Immunol, 2014
5. Antony et al. J Immunol, 2005

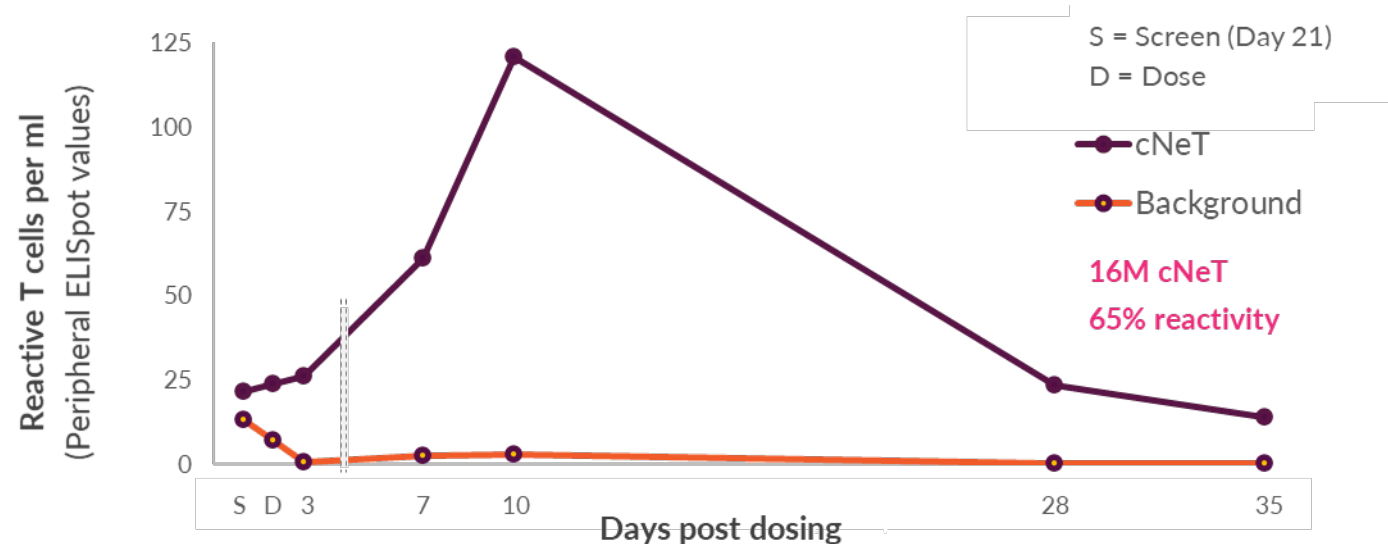
Achilles can leverage established regulatory principles to develop a potency assay



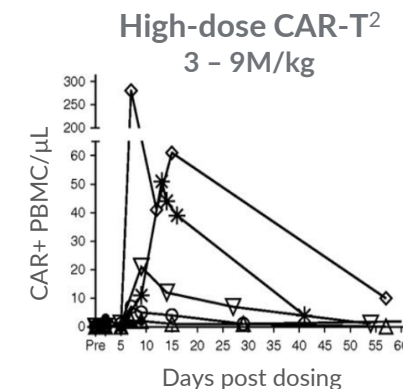
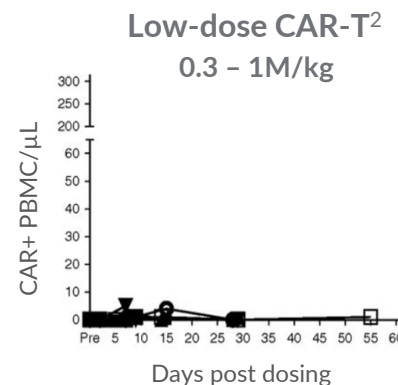
The Achilles Platform allows:

- Quantification of cNeT reactivity
- Calculation of the cNeT dose of each product
- Use of cNeT reactivity as both a release criterion and potency measure
- Correlation of infused cNeT dose with anti-tumor effect
- Determination if increasing cNeT dose will improve cNeT persistence (area under the curve & peak) as seen in CAR-T therapy
- Determination if increasing AUC correlates with positive clinical outcomes as seen with CAR-T therapy

Melanoma Patient Case Study¹: Expansion and detection of cNeT post-dosing



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



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)

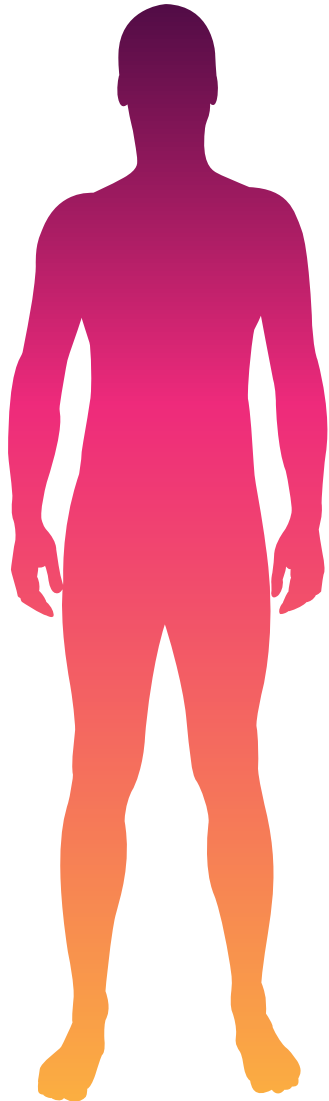
- n = up to 20 checkpoint refractory patients; Open-label
- Checkpoint dosed 7-13 days prior to cNeT and restarted day 14 post-cNeT

Evaluating safety, tolerability and activity (RECIST)

Ongoing in UK, expanding to EU & US

CHIRON and THETIS trial design

cNeT therapies can be readily delivered within standard treatment pathways



Patient enrolled
for procurement



Complete 1st Line Therapy

Observation

Confirmed
Progression



Pre-
conditioning

cNeT
Treatment



Dose

Imaging every 6 weeks for 24 weeks,
then every 12 weeks

cNeT Manufacture

cNeT stored awaiting
patient need

cNeT can be manufactured
during checkpoint therapy

cNeT are manufactured then
cryopreserved to await infusion
after patient progression

cNeT can be delivered within
standard treatment pathway

Pre-conditioning uses lower,
CAR-T like, cyclophosphamide
+ fludarabine regimen that is
well tolerated

Low-dose IL-2 regimen less
toxic than used in existing TIL
therapy

THETIS (melanoma) has active
CPI combo arm (Cohort B)

1st CPI dose given 7 to 13
days before cNeT

CPI restarts 14 days after
cNeT



Patient summary

Data from first 8 patients following scan
6 weeks post-cNeT infusion

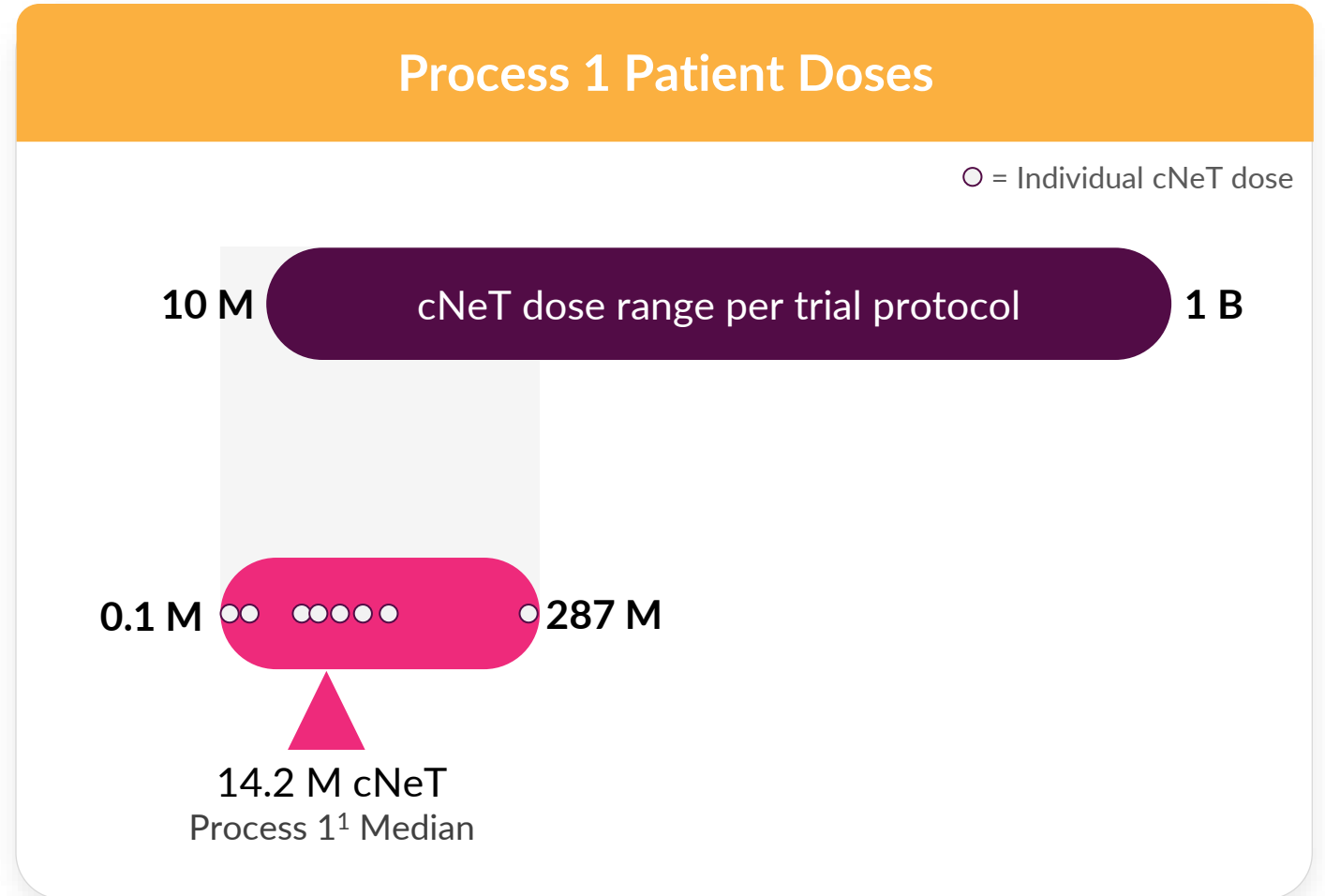
- 3 in CHIRON, 5 in THETIS

Median 2.5 lines of prior therapy

Median dose of 14.2m cNeT

- Low end of prospectively targeted
therapeutic range

All had progressive disease at time of
lymphodepletion



cNeT tolerability and activity from the first eight patients treated in CHIRON & THETIS



Tolerability

- **Tolerability similar to standard TIL** products not enriched for cNeT reactivities, most higher-grade AEs from lymphodepletion regimen
- **No higher-grade adverse** events more commonly associated with the use of higher doses of IL-2
- **Three CRS** events and **one ICANS** event deemed to be possibly related to cNeT treatment
- Previously disclosed case of encephalopathy subsequently deemed **unlikely related to cNeT**

Activity (Process 1)

Patient	cNeT Dose (M)	Reactivity	Engrafted ¹	Best Response
T-02	287	77%	Y	PD
C-03	0.1	0.2%	--	SD
C-10	21	3%	N	SD
T-05	16	65%	Y	PD
C-11	13	41%	Y	SD
T-09	12	9%	N	SD
T-11	42	5%	Y	PD
T-12	2	13%	Y	SD

- **Stable disease** at 6 weeks post-dosing in 5 of 8 patients²
- **Tumor reduction** in 2 of 4 lesions of approx. 55% and 90% in patient that received the highest cell dose
- Range of **2 to 28 reactivities observed** in 7 of 8 products
- **Evidence of engraftment** in 5 of 7 patients, with highest dose associated with highest engraftment

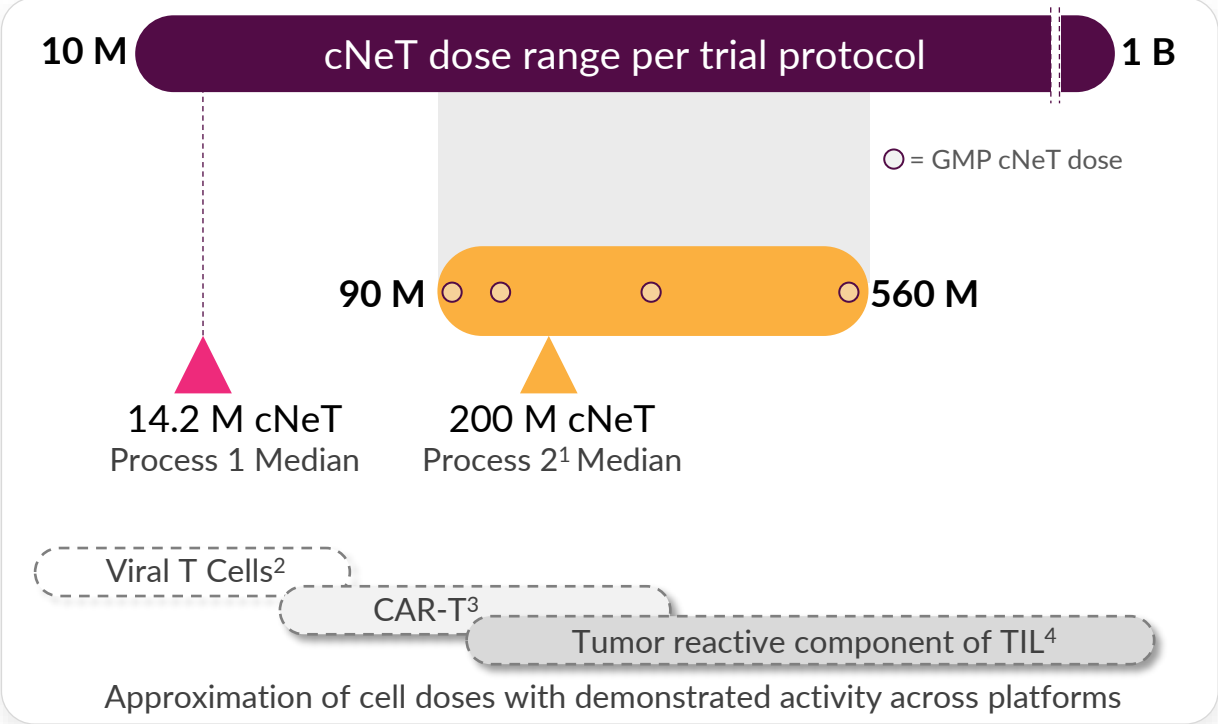
Next steps: Explore higher-dose cNeT monotherapy and combination with PD-1 inhibitor

VELOS Process 2 yielded >10-fold higher median cNeT doses in GMP validation runs

Targeting pre-expansion and expansion steps provided a consistent boost in TIL and cNeT



	Process 1	Process 2
Pre-Expansion	T cells are harvested from the tumor	Additional cytokines boost the harvest of tumor reactive cells
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



VELOS Process 2

- Identical manufacturing timeline to Process 1
- Cells maintain a high functional fitness and effector memory phenotype
- Expect Process 2 to produce a significantly higher median cNeT dose (>10 fold)

1. ESMO IO 2021 Poster 58P

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

Our process has been designed from the ground up for commercial scale
Closed processing to be incorporated into clinical supply in 2022



End-to-end closed process enables operation in simplified, lower cost GMP facility



Tumor collection device

Tumor is collected in our bespoke device to **close** the process from procurement



Closed tumor processing

Closed processing at our GMP facilities reduces COGs, **eliminates human operator** steps and drives scale-up

Targeting a 6-8 week commercial process from tumor sample collection to product release

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



Royal Free Hospital (UK)



GMP facility supporting FiH studies

Cell & Gene Therapy Catapult (UK)



Supports both open and fully closed manufacturing process

Hayes (UK)



GMP modular facility

Supports multiple indications for late stage clinical studies and commercial supply
Includes in-house peptide manufacturing

Online

2019

2022

2024

Peak Dose Capacity

50

200

1,000+

Initiated tech transfer to a US manufacturing facility expected to be online in 2H 2023



\$282M

CURRENT CASH BALANCE¹

~\$23M

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1Q 2024

CURRENT CASH RUNWAY

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1. As of September 30, 2021


Key anticipated milestones



2021

- ☒ 6-pt FiH cNeT data
- ☒ Open clinical sites in US and EU
- ☒ Enroll first patient in the US
- ☒ Monotherapy data with Process 1 cNeT
- ☒ Process 2 GMP data update (ESMO I-O)
- ☒ File IND in HNSCC

2022

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- ☐ Dose 1st patient with higher-dose cNeT (Process 2)
 - ☐ Establish US R&D facility
 - ☐ License Cell & Gene Therapy Catapult facility
 - ☐ Initiate tumor archiving program (TAP)
 - ☐ Dose 1st US patient
 - ☐ Additional low-dose (Process 1) monotherapy data
 - ☐ Monotherapy data from higher-dose cNeT (Process 2)
 - ☐ Combination data from PD-1 / cNeT

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