

# Calling All Super Heroes

## Exploring Clinical Trials: Updates on the latest research in the fields of transplant and cellular therapies

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*Let's go!*

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# Objectives

- ✓ Explain how clinical trials have advanced treatment options for patients with hematologic diseases undergoing transplantation and cellular therapy
- ✓ Identify new treatments that are being explored right now in clinical trials
- ✓ Explain how the Jason Carter Clinical Trials Program can help you connect patients to clinical trials



*Grab your cape.*



# Clinical Trial Basics

Two main types of clinical trials

- ✓ **Observational:** Collection of medical data during standard care treatments – allows for retrospective analysis of effectiveness and outcomes:
  - ✓ CIBMTR maintains largest US database
- ✓ **Interventional:** Investigates a treatment that is different than standard treatment – drug, cells, dose, process, timing

# Clinical Trial Basics

## Interventional:

- ✓ **Phase 1:** Designed to test the safety of a new therapy and maybe a glimpse of efficacy and explore what side effects can happen at different doses
  - ✓ Usually a small group of patients 5-50
  - ✓ Typically, not for newly diagnosed patients, but for relapsed or refractory disease
  - ✓ Example: A new drug, DS-32, to treat relapsed ALL, given at escalating doses with numerous blood draws testing drug levels (pharmacokinetics (PK) – goal is to find the highest dose that is safe to give

# Clinical Trial Basics

## Interventional:

- ✓ **Phase 2:** Designed to test if a therapy is effective
  - ✓ Larger group ~40 – 120 patients
  - ✓ Not always testing new drugs, may test existing drugs for new indications or new combinations
  - ✓ Example: A drug, nivolumab, to treat refractory multiple myeloma (currently, nivolumab is FDA approved to treat Hodgkin lymphoma)
  - ✓ Many designs combine Phase 1 and 2 in one trial

# Clinical Trial Basics

## Interventional:

- ✓ **Phase 3:** Designed to test if a therapy works better than an existing therapy
  - ✓ Usually over a hundred patients
  - ✓ Will often use randomization, placebos, blinding, and double-blinding
  - ✓ Example: Itacitinib + steroids versus placebo + steroids to treat acute graft-versus-host disease after allogeneic BMT
  - ✓ Randomized, double-blind, often placebo trials are the “**Gold Standard**” in clinical trial design
- ✓ **Phase 4:** Post-market surveillance for a therapy that has recently been FDA approved

# Why conduct clinical trials in BMT?

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- **Because not enough patients benefit. The status quo is not good enough!**
- Outcomes have improved, but GVHD-free, relapse free survival rates are still far too low (30-40%)
- Too many patients relapse
- Too many patients lucky enough to stay in remission suffer from acute or chronic GVHD or remain on immune suppressing drugs
- Still way too much toxicity, particularly in older patients



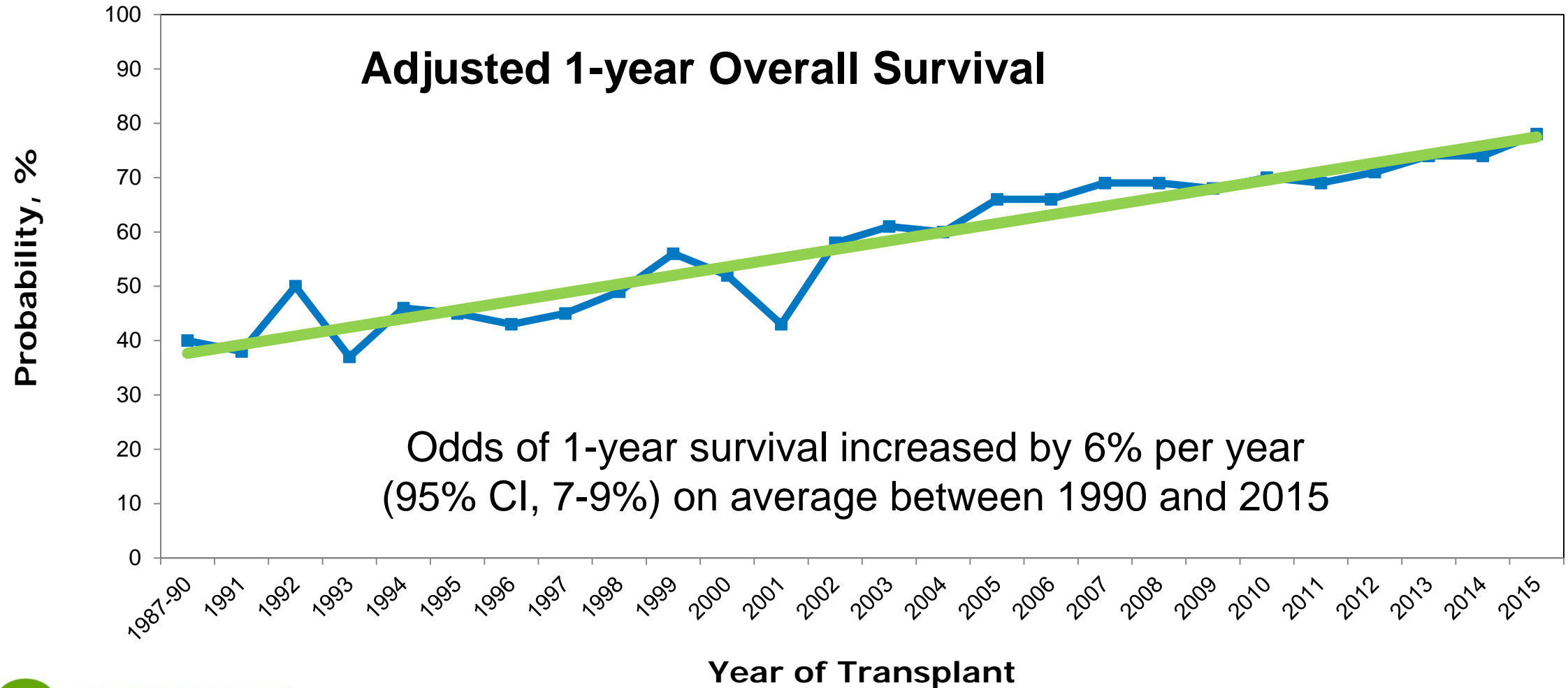
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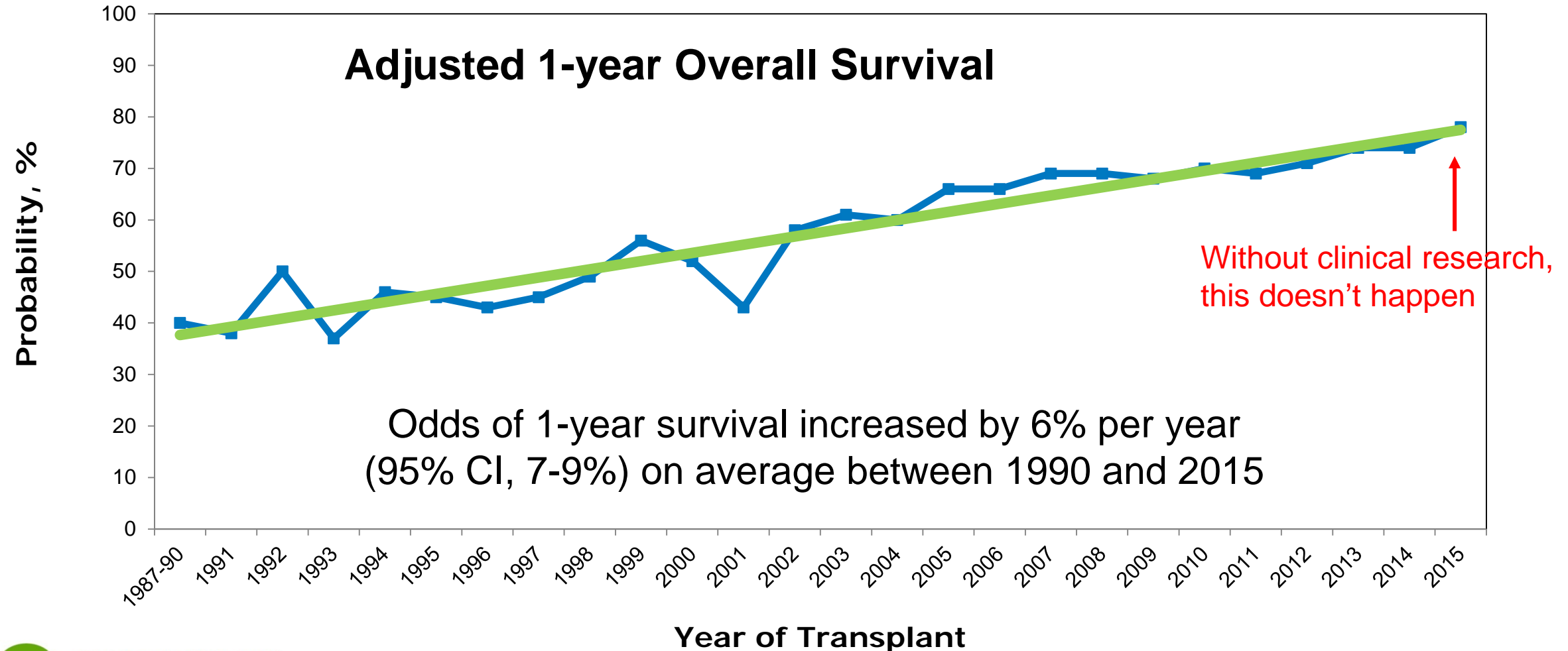
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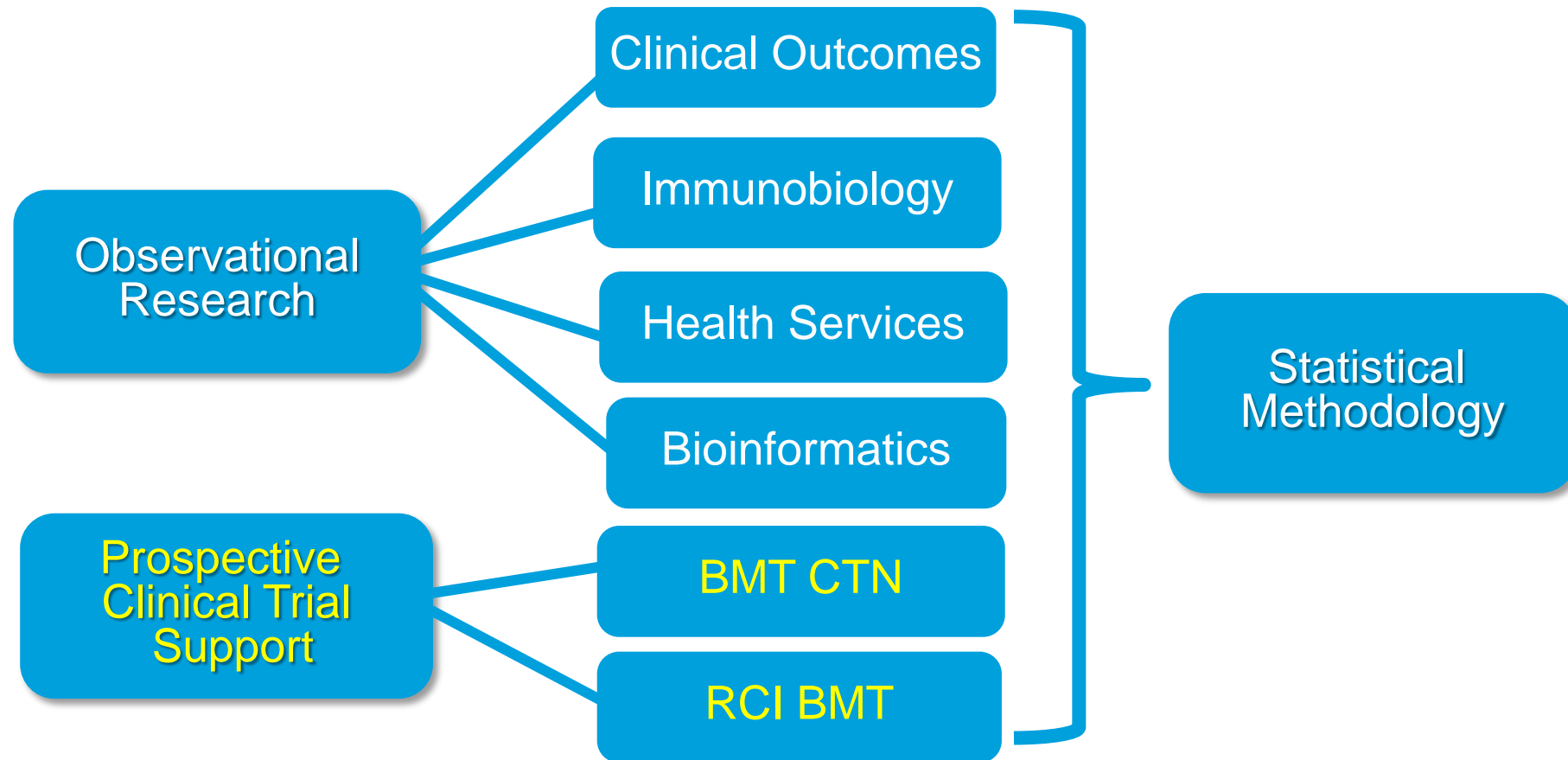


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# CIBMTR Research Programs



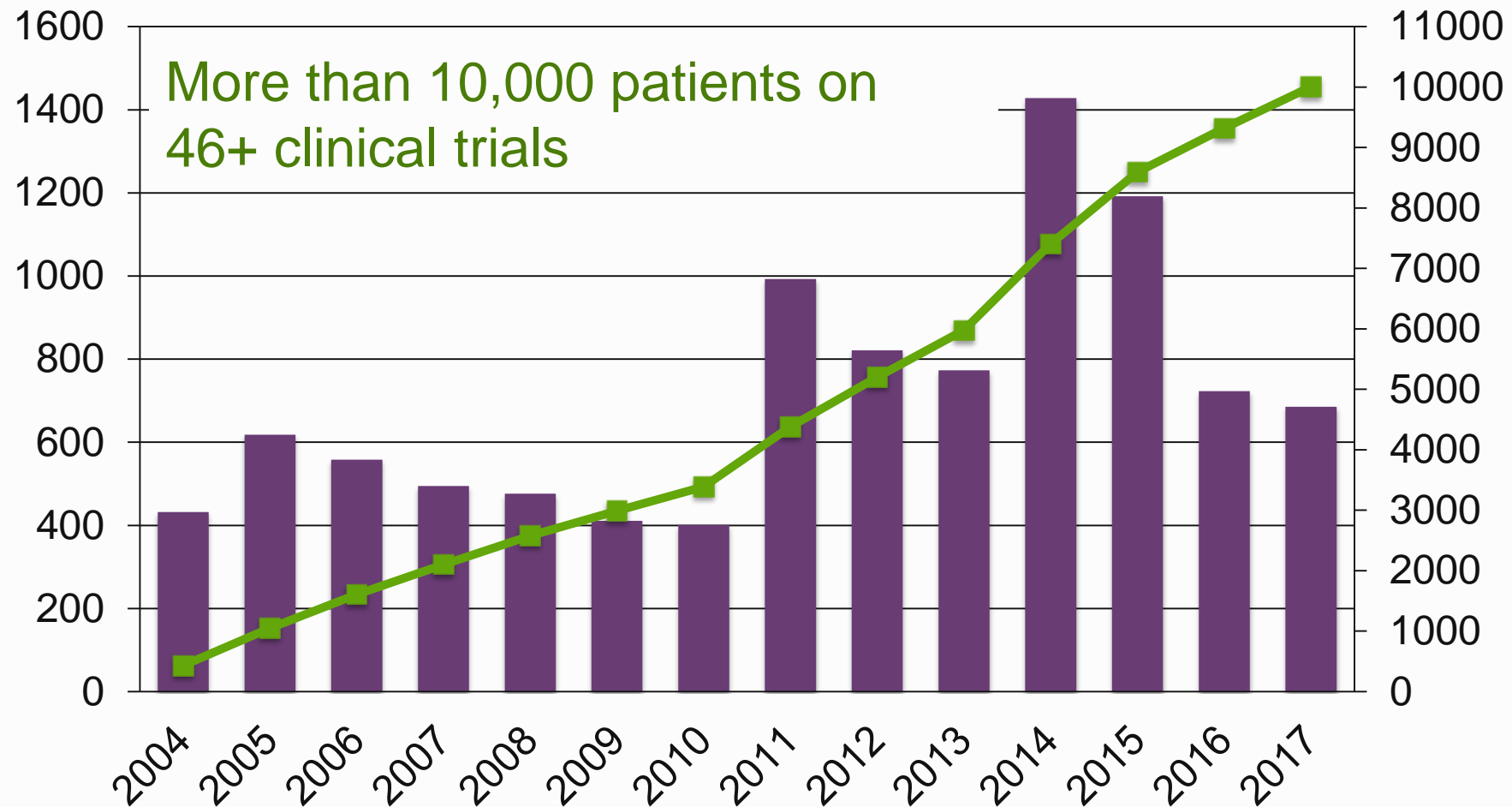
# Blood and Marrow Transplant Clinical Trials Network (BMT CTN)

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- Established: Sept. 2001; renewed 2006, 2011, 2017
  - 20 Core Centers/Consortia
  - >80 Affiliate Centers
  - 1 Data and Coordinating Center: CIBMTR, NMDP/Be The Match, Emmes Corporation
- Highly productive academic network
  - 46 Trials Opened; 10 currently active
  - 2 FDA registration trials in progress
  - **Uses CIBMTR database to inform trial design and generate prospective control populations**



# BMT CTN Yearly and Cumulative Accrual to all Protocols, 2004-2017 >10,000 patients



# High priority studies where clinical trials are needed

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- Prevention of relapse in AML/MDS
- Prevention of acute/chronic GVHD
- Role of haploidentical vs matched unrelated donor and/or cord blood
- Better treatments for active GVHD

# GVHD Target population

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- Acute GVHD
  - Prevention
  - Treatment
    - Risk based or all?
    - New onset or steroid refractory?
- Chronic GVHD
  - New onset
  - Steroid refractory/dependent



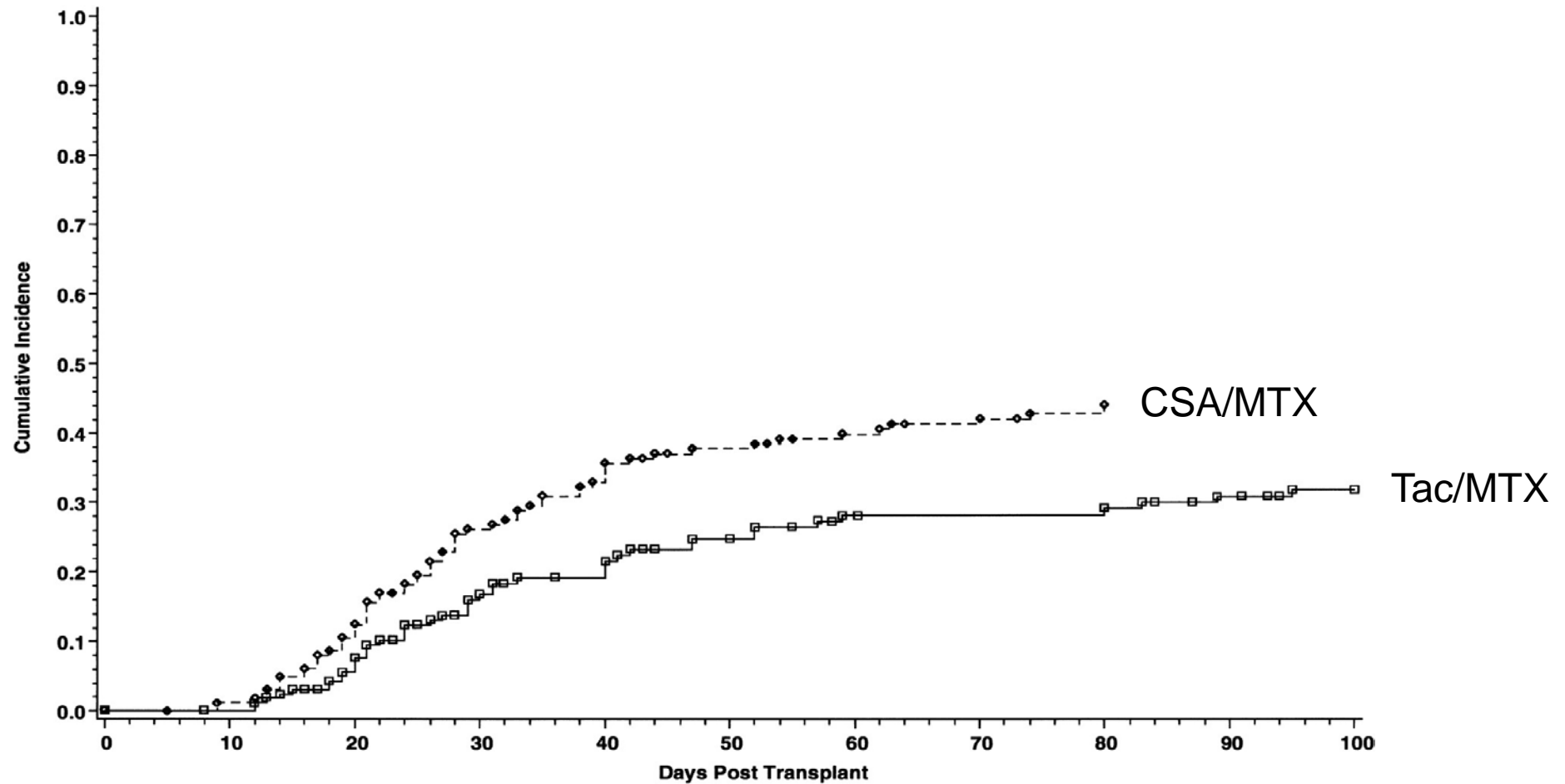
# Current acute GVHD clinical trial landscape

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- **Prophylaxis**

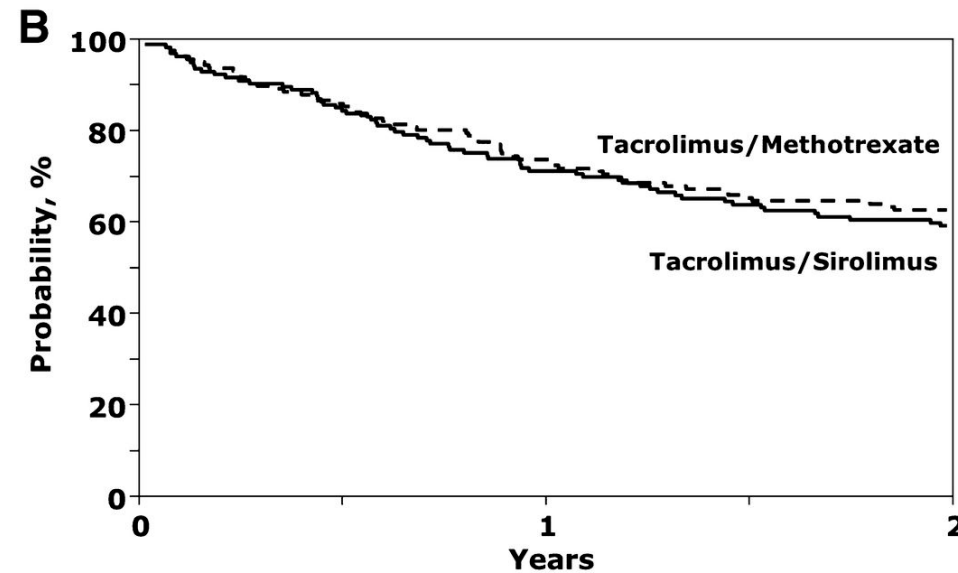
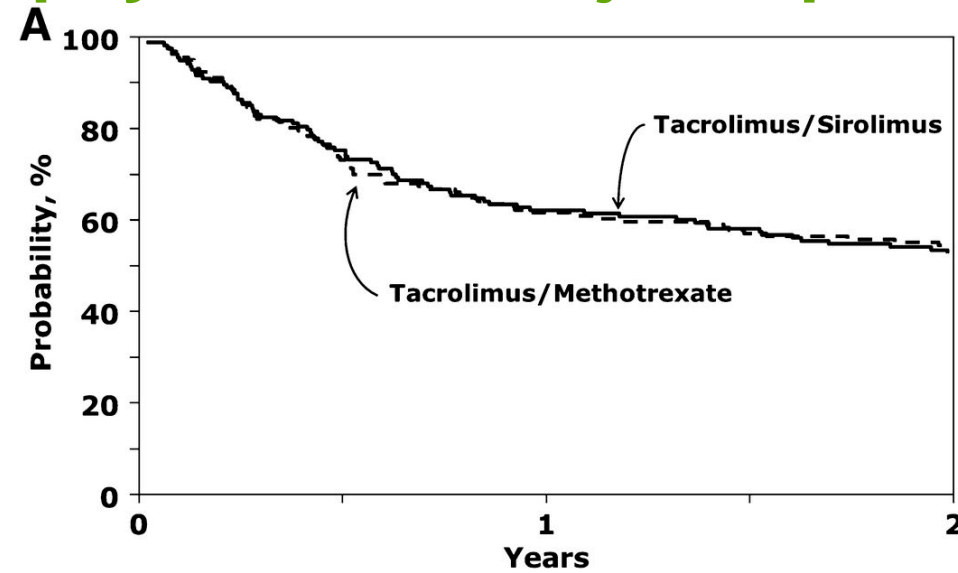
- BMT CTN 1203 (completed; leading to Phase 3 trial)
- BMT CTN 1301 (just completed)
- BMS: Abatacept (7/8 and 8/8 unrelated; completed)
- Takeda: Vedolizumab (phase II)
- Incyte: Itacitinib (phase I/II)
- Oncoimmune: CD24Fc (Phase I/II)
- COG: Lactobacillus phase III
- Others
  - Tocilizumab
  - Ruxolitinib
  - PRO 140 (CCR5 antibody)
  - Other small studies

# Cumulative incidence of grade II-IV acute GVHD of 165 patients who received cyclosporine/methotrexate vs tacrolimus/methotrexate



Voravit Ratanatharathorn et al. Blood 1998;92:2303-2314

# BMT CTN 0402: Sirolimus Based GVHD Prophylaxis; no major improvement



# BMT CTN 1203

A Multi-center Phase II Trial of Randomized  
Novel Approaches for Graft-versus-Host  
Disease Prevention Compared to  
Contemporary Controls

## **PROGRESS I** trial

Prevention and Reduction Of GVHD and  
Relapse and Enhancing Survival after  
Stem cell transplantation

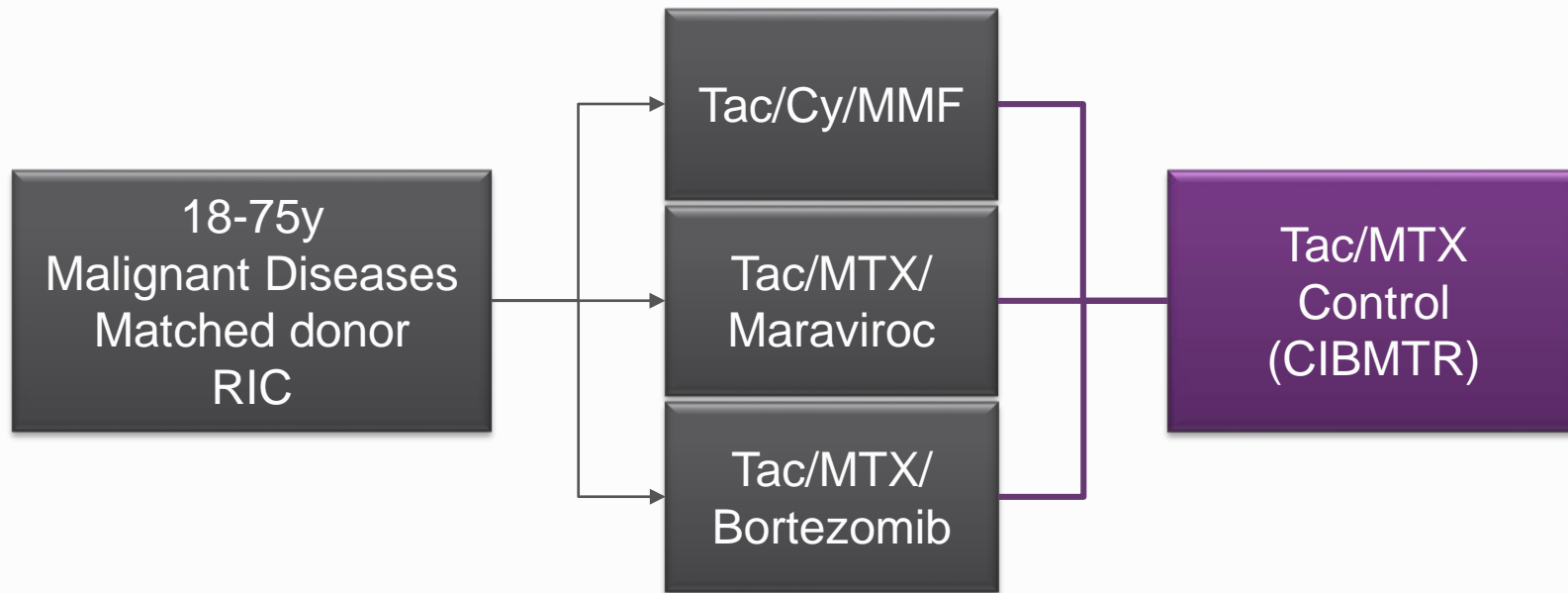


# Primary Objective

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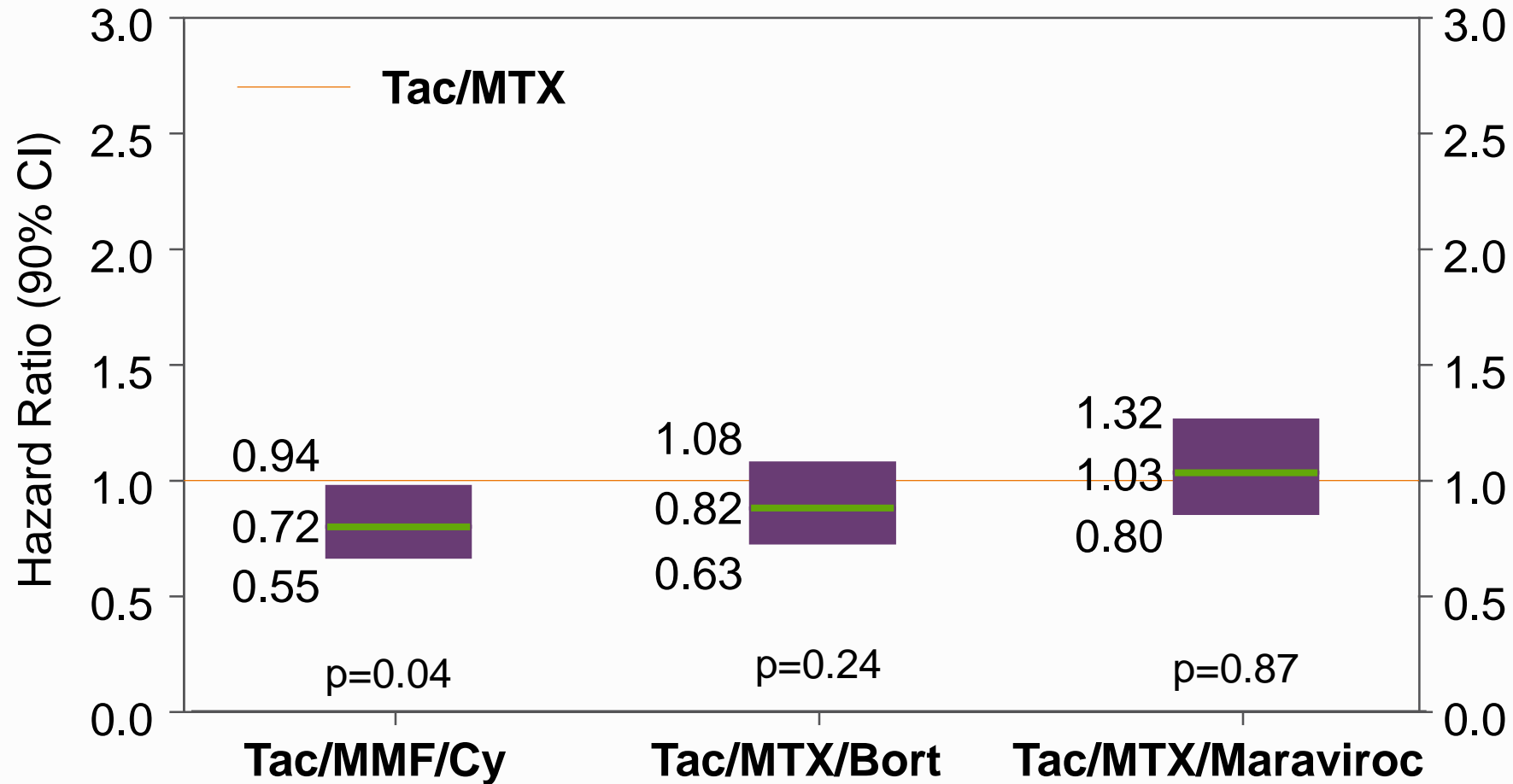
- Compare GVHD/relapse-free survival (GRFS) after hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT) between each of three GVHD prophylaxis approaches and a contemporary control.
- GRFS Primary endpoint defined: time to event
  - Grade III-IV Acute GVHD
  - Chronic requiring systemic therapy
  - Disease relapse or progression
  - Death

# BMT CNT #1203: Study Outline

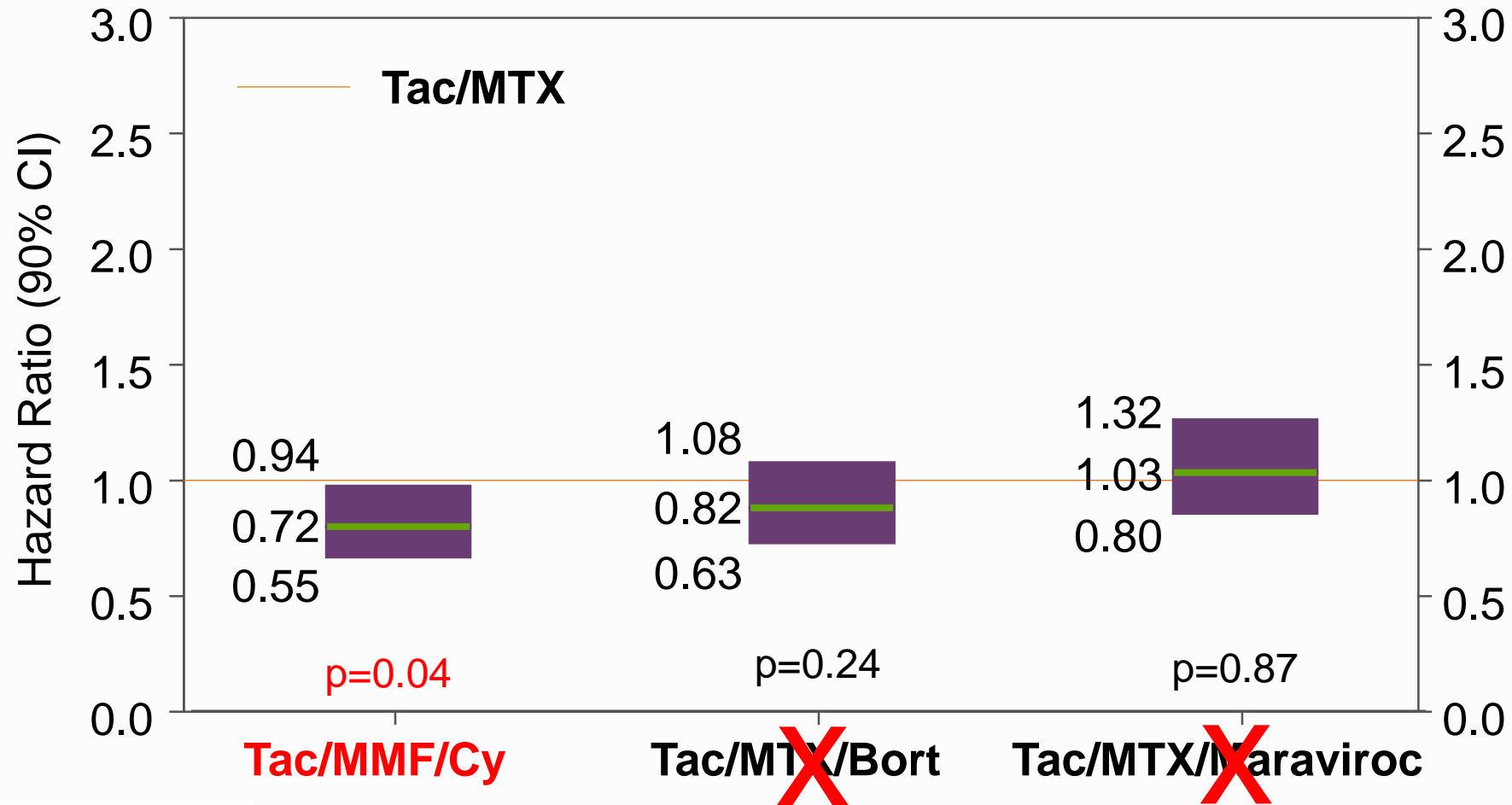


# GRFS by Treatment Arm

## Compared to Tac/MTX Controls



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**Randomized, Multicenter, Phase III Trial of  
Tacrolimus/Methotrexate versus Post-  
Transplant Cyclophosphamide/Tacrolimus/  
Mycophenolate Mofetil in Reduced Intensity  
Conditioning Allogeneic Peripheral Blood  
Stem Cell Transplantation**

**BMT CTN 1703 – PROGRESS III**

# BMT CTN 1301

A Randomized, Multi-Center, Phase III Trial  
of Calcineurin Inhibitor-Free Interventions  
for Prevention of Graft-versus Host-Disease

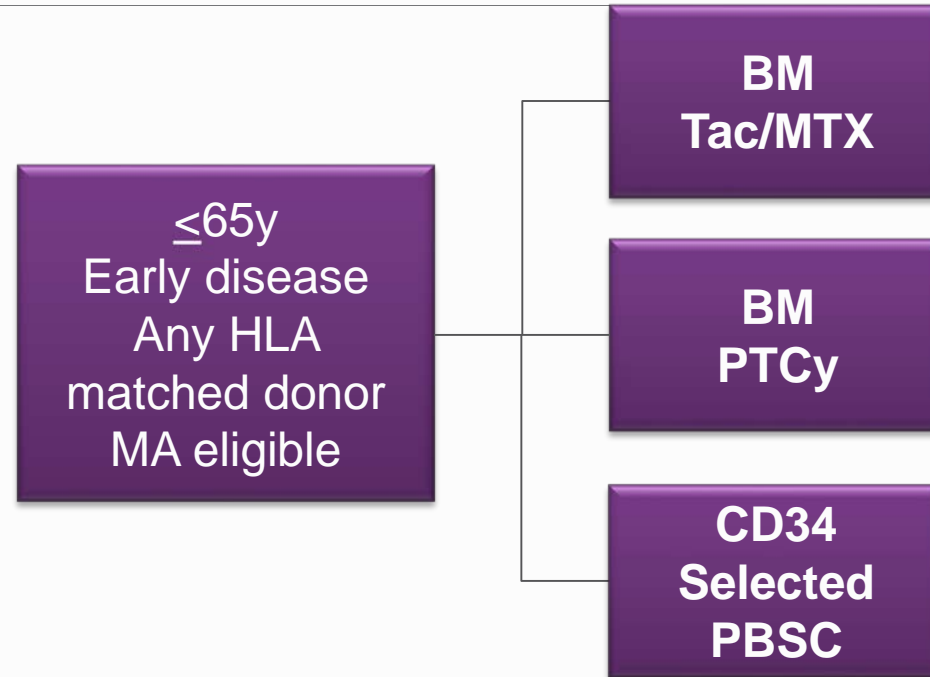
**PROGRESS II trial**  
Prevention and Reduction Of GVHD and  
Relapse and Enhancing Survival after Stem  
cell transplantation



**Progress**

Prevention and Reduction Of Gvhd and Relapse  
and Enhancing Survival after Stem cell transplantation

# BMT CTN 1301 CNI free Trial: 3-arm Phase III



- 345 (115/arm): 85% power to detect a 20% difference over the 22% baseline of the chronic GVHD/relapse-free survival [CRFS] primary endpoint.

# Abatacept GVHD Prophylaxis in mismatched unrelated transplants

Figure 1. Comparison of Key Outcomes between the ABA2 Cohort (CNI + MTX + Abatacept) and CIBMTR Matched Controls Prophylaxed with CNI + MTX.

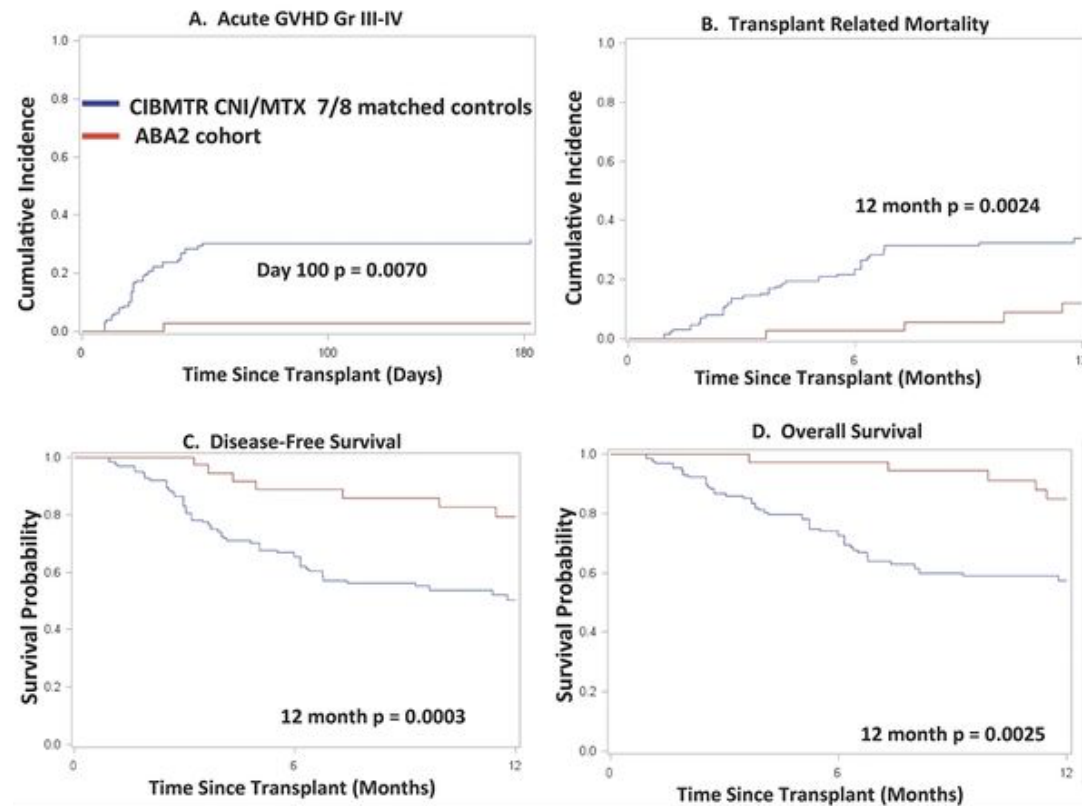
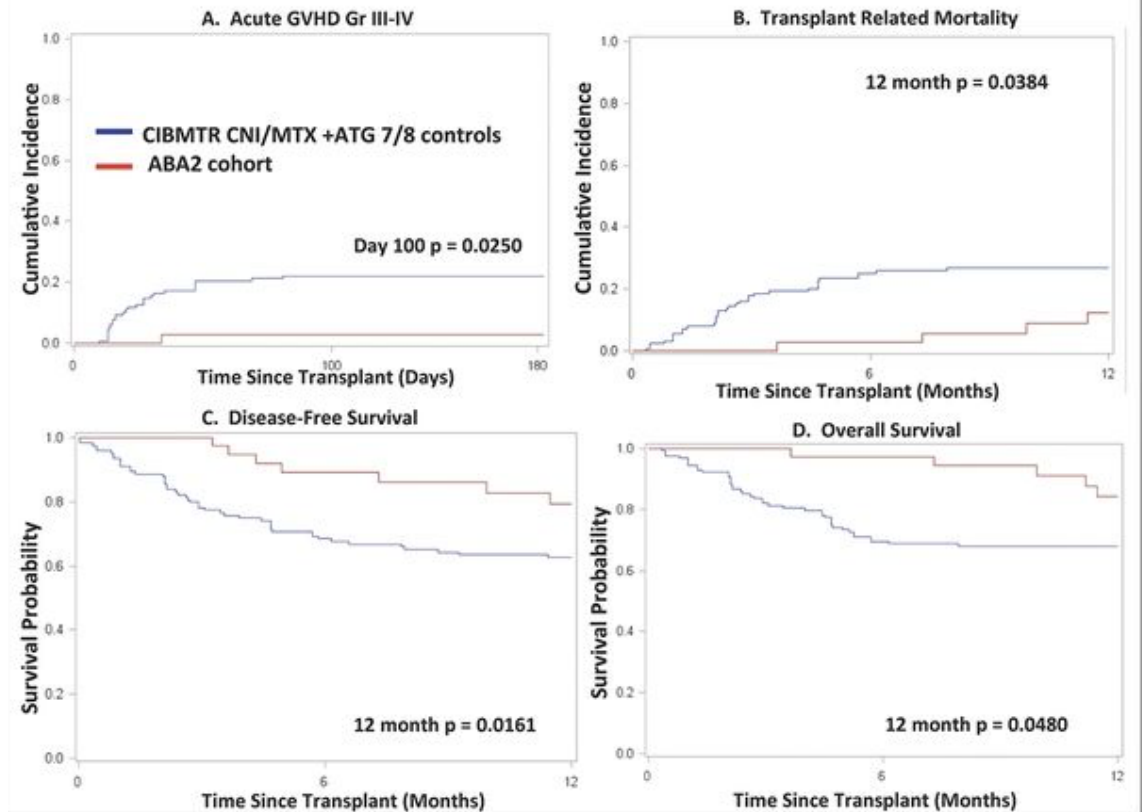


Figure 2. Comparison of Key Outcomes between the ABA2 Cohort (CNI + MTX + Abatacept) and CIBMTR Matched Controls Prophylaxed with CNI + MTX+ATG.



Are we really moving the needle using  
pharmacological agents to prevent GVHD?

# Graft Manipulation to avoid GVHD

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## Selective T-cell depletion

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Naïve (CD45RA) T-cell depletion (NCT 00914940)

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Photodynamic inactivation (NCT 01794299)

Suicide gene modification (Casp9) (NCT 01744223)

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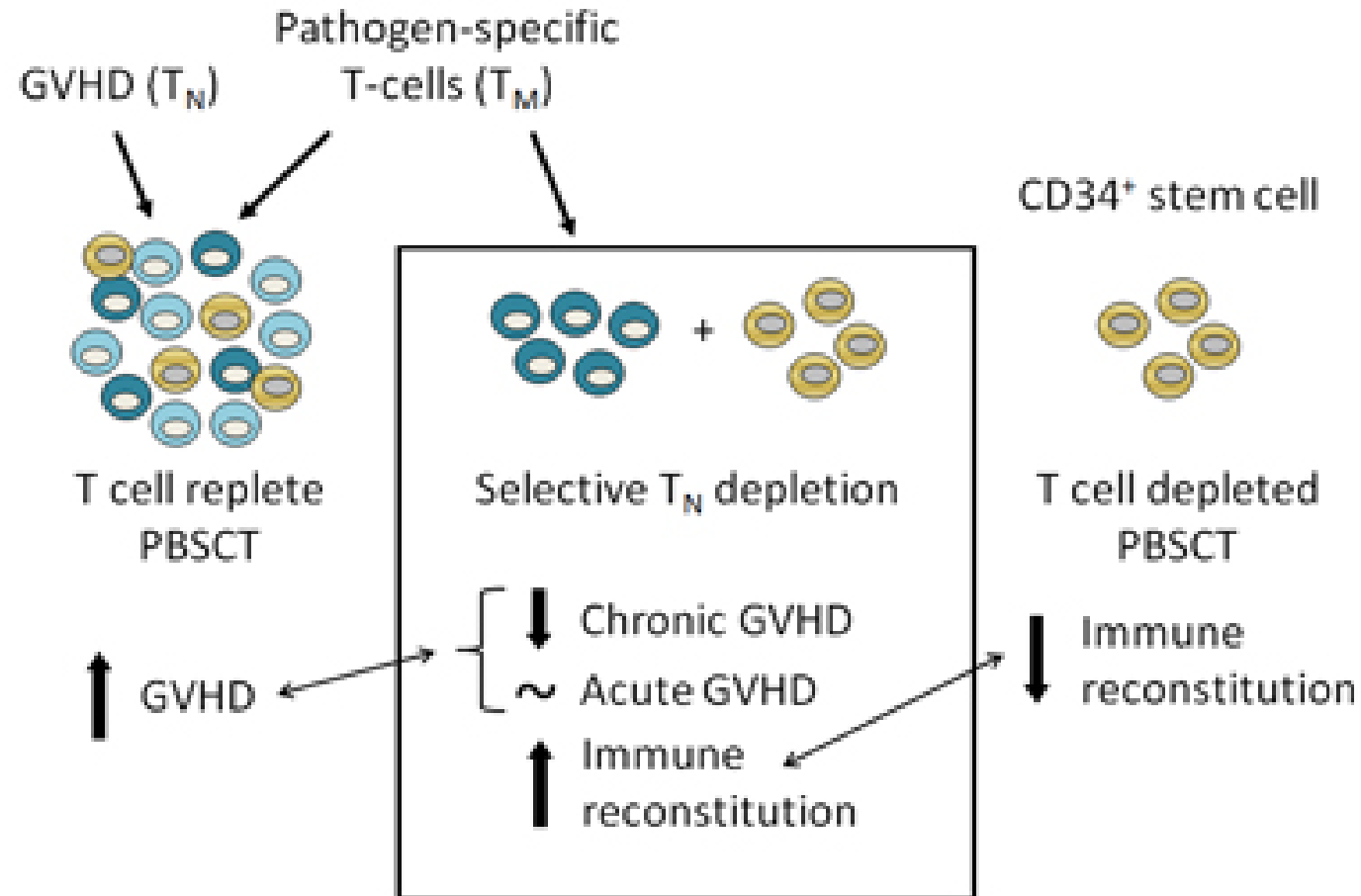
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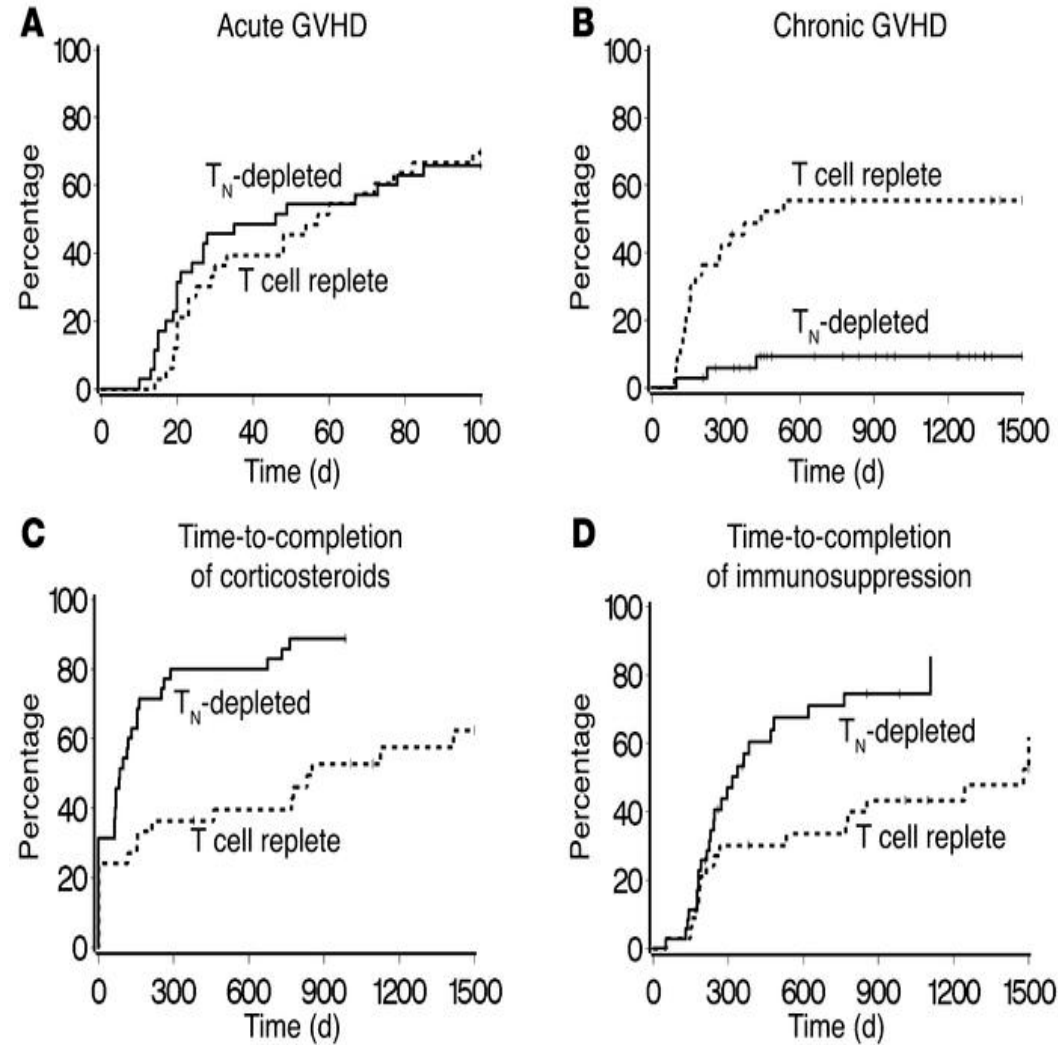
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# Selective versus total T-cell depletion





# Outcomes of acute leukemia patients transplanted with naive T cell-depleted stem cell grafts



**Multi-center phase II randomized controlled trial of naïve T  
cell depletion for prevention of chronic graft-versus-host  
disease in children and young adults**

**Resource for Clinical Investigation in Blood and Marrow  
Transplantation (RCI BMT) PROTOCOL 16-NTCD  
Pediatric Blood and Marrow Transplant Consortium (PBMTc)  
GVH1701**

**Version 1.0**

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# Current acute GVHD clinical trial landscape

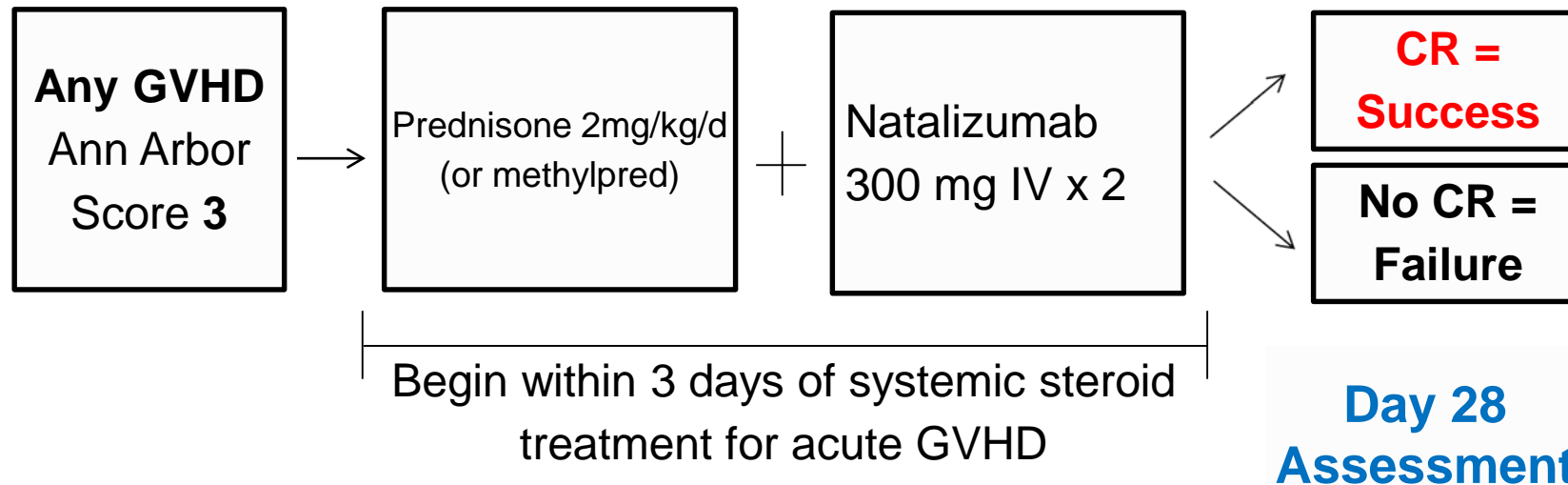
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- **Steroids alone remains gold standard (BMT CTN 0802)**
- **Treatment (newly diagnosed)**
  - BMT CTN 1501 (low risk: steroids versus sirolimus)
  - MAGIC Consortium (high risk: steroids + natalizumab phase II)
  - Germany high risk (steroids plus ECP)
  - **Zemaira: AAT + steroids or placebo phase III for GI GVHD**
    - **BMT CTN 1705 in planning**
  - Incyte: INCB039910 + steroids in high risk (planned)
  - Many others

# Risk-based treatment of new onset acute GVHD

# PRIMARY TREATMENT: HIGH RISK GVHD (USA)

## PHASE II NATALIZUMAB STUDY SCHEMA



- High BM score (AA3) GVHD = high NRM (45%), low steroid response @ day 28 (30%)
- Treatment failure due to Steroid Resistant GI GVHD
- Test whether adding natalizumab will increase CR rate @ day 28 to 45%
- **KEY ASSUMPTION: 20% of screened patients would enroll**

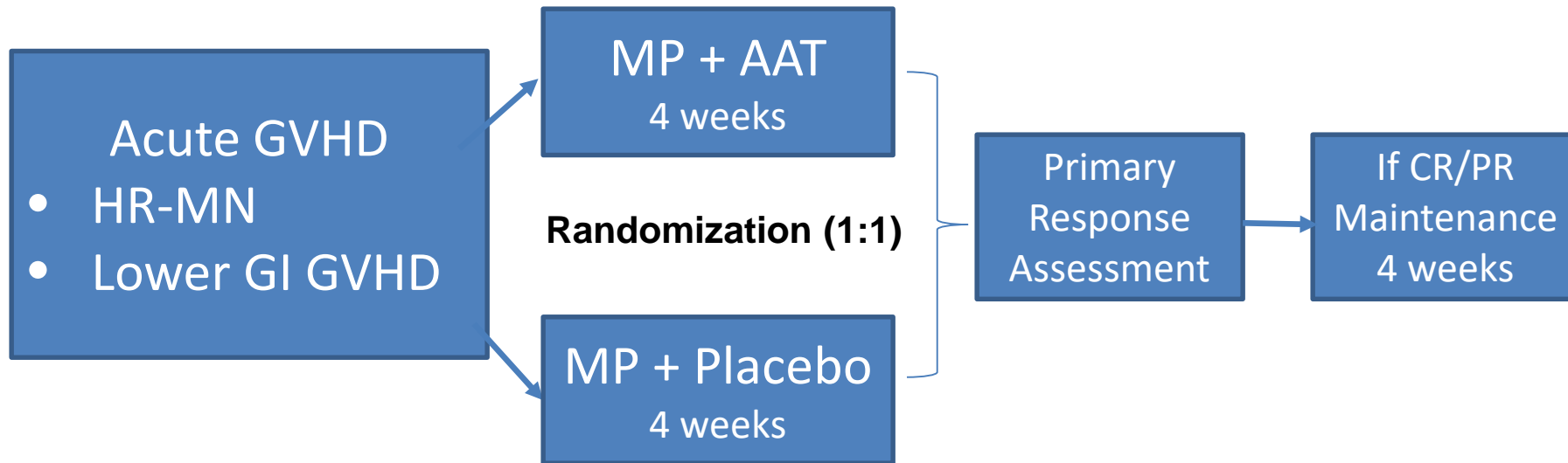
**BMT CTN 1705**  
**Alpha 1 – Antitrypsin**  
**(AAT, ZEMAIRA®) for the Treatment of High Risk Acute**  
**Graft vs. Host Disease (GVHD)**

Study Chairs: John Magenau & Amin Alousi

Protocol Officer: Mehdi Hamadani

# BMT CTN 1705 Design

Phase III Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo Controlled



**MP, methylprednisolone (1.6 mg/kg/day or equivalent)**

**A Randomized, Phase II, Multicenter, Open  
Label Study Evaluating Sirolimus and  
Prednisone in Patients with Refined  
Minnesota Standard Risk, Ann Arbor 1/2  
Confirmed Acute Graft-Versus-Host Disease**

**BMT CTN PROTOCOL 1501**



# Objectives

- Primary
  - Rate of CR/PR at day 28 after randomization in patients with Ann Arbor 1/2 biomarker status
- Secondary
  - CR/PR +  $\leq 0.25\text{mg/kg/day}$  prednisone at day 28 post randomization
  - Additional response time points
  - Steroid exposure
  - Infectious complications
  - Toxicity
  - Disease-free and GVHD-free survival
  - Patient-reported outcomes
  - Steroid myopathy

**Previously Untreated, Standard-Risk Acute GVHD,  
Diagnosed According to Refined Minnesota Criteria**



Eligible patients randomized 1:1 to either  
Sirolimus or Prednisone



Randomized to Sirolimus

Randomized to Prednisone



Biomarker Assessment



**AA 1/2**  
**(Assessed for Primary  
Endpoint)**

**AA 3**  
**(Assessed for Secondary  
Descriptive Analysis)**

# Clinical Trials of Graft or Donor Source

# Five Year Results of BMT CTN 0201

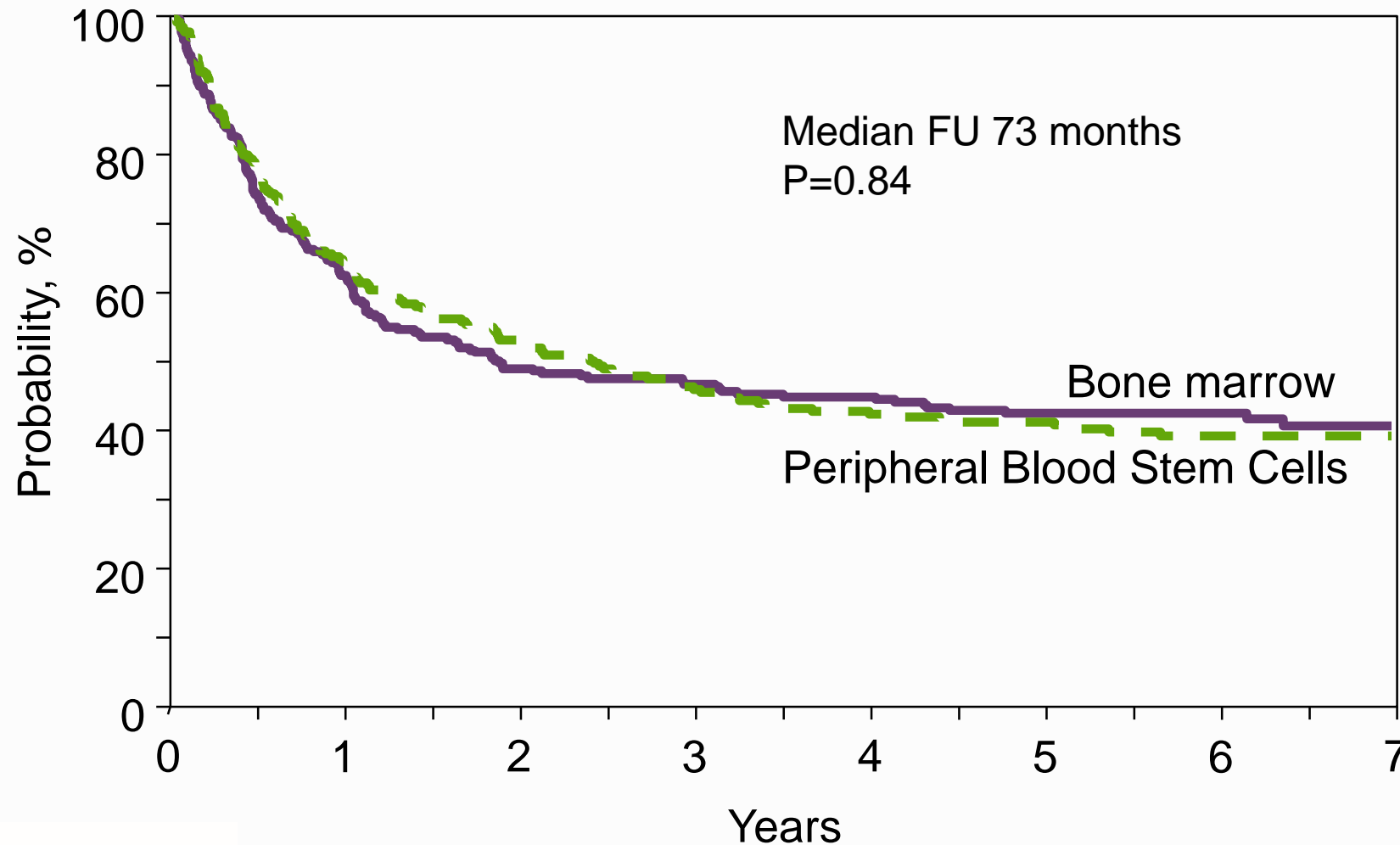
Unrelated donor bone marrow is associated  
with better psychological well-being and  
less burdensome chronic GVHD symptoms  
than peripheral blood

# Parent Trial Eligibility Criteria

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- Age up to 66 years
- First transplant
- Acute and chronic leukemia, MDS, MF
- 5/6 or 6/6 match at HLA-A, B, DRB1
  - 98% 7/8 or 8/8 matched
- No active infection

# Overall Survival



# Five year results of BM vs. PB

QOL scale	Bone marrow (n=102)	Peripheral blood (n=93)	P value	Clinically significant difference <sup>1</sup>	Difference between BM and PB (95% CI) <sup>2</sup>
<b>FACT-BMT TOI (↑ better) Mean +/- SE</b>	<b>76.7 +/- 1.6 (n=79)</b>	<b>70.5 +/- 1.9 (n=69)</b>	<b>0.014</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>6.2 (1.3-11.1)</b>
<b>MHI – Psychological well-being (↑ better) Mean +/- SE</b>	<b>78.9 +/- 1.7 (n=80)</b>	<b>72.2 +/- 1.9 (n=72)</b>	<b>0.011</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>6.7 (1.6-11.8)</b>
<b>MHI-Psychological Distress (↓ better) Mean +/- SE</b>	<b>16.0 +/- 1.3 (n=80)</b>	<b>19.0 +/- 1.5 (n=71)</b>	<b>0.128</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>-3.0 (-6.8,0.9)</b>
<b>Chronic GVHD symptoms (↓better) Mean +/- SE</b>	<b>13.1 +/- 1.5 (n=80)</b>	<b>19.3 +/- 1.6 (n=72)</b>	<b>0.004</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>-6.3 (-10.5, -2.0)</b>
FACT-BMT TOI, Functional Assessment of Cancer Therapy, Bone Marrow Transplant Trial Outcome Index; MHI, Mental Health Inventory; GVHD, Graft-versus-Host Disease; SE, standard error <sup>1</sup> 0.5 x STD <sup>2</sup> Adjusted for enrollment values and missing data using inverse probability weighting using significant clinical characteristics					

# Conclusions

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- At 5 years after HCT, recipients of unrelated donor BM, compared with PB, have:
  - Better psychological well-being
  - Less burdensome chronic GVHD symptoms
  - Are 50% more likely to go back to work
  - Similar survival, relapse, TRM
- No outcome for which PB was better
- PB is still used for >75% of unrelated donor transplants!



# Clinical Trials to Prevent Relapse

# Strategies to mitigate post allograft relapse in AML

- Current approaches
  - Augmenting/optimizing conditioning
    - Targeted busulfan
    - Additional drugs
    - Modulating/escalating TBI
      - Tomotherapy, IMRT
    - Radioimmunotherapy
    - Addition of non-conventional agents
  - Post/peri transplant therapy
    - Cellular
      - T-cells (non-specific, antigen specific), NK cells, CARTs, TCRs, other
    - Maintenance agents
      - » HMA, TKI (Flt3 inh, Jak inh), IMiDs,
      - » Antibodies (anti CD33, antiKIR, etc), cytokines (IL15, others)
      - » Checkpoint blockade (CTLA4, PD1, others)
  - Optimizing allograft composition
    - We should be studying graft composition/manipulation more

# **BMT CTN 1506**

**A Multi-Center, Randomized, Double-Blind,  
Placebo-Controlled Phase III trial of the FLT3  
Inhibitor Gilteritinib Administered as  
Maintenance Therapy Following Allogeneic  
Transplant for Patients with FLT3-ITD AML**

**Study Chairs: Yi-Bin Chen, MD, Mark Levis, MD, PhD**

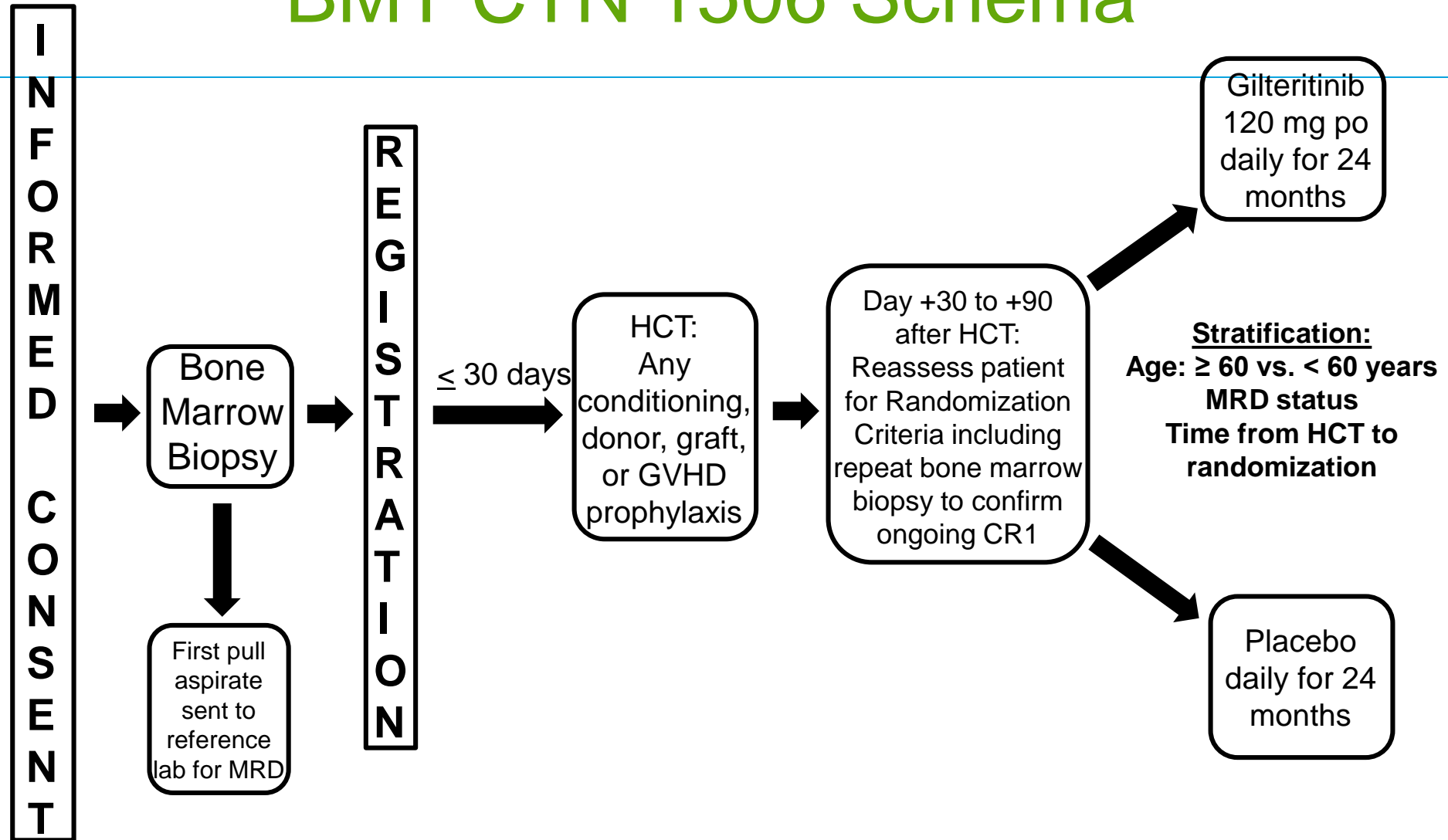
# BMT CTN 1506

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## – Primary objective

- Compare 2-year leukemia-free survival (LFS) between the two arms
  - Measured from the time of randomization
  - Morphological relapse as defined in Revised IWG criteria (reappearance of leukemic blasts in the PB or  $\geq 5\%$  blasts in the BM not attributable to any other cause)

# BMT CTN 1506 Schema





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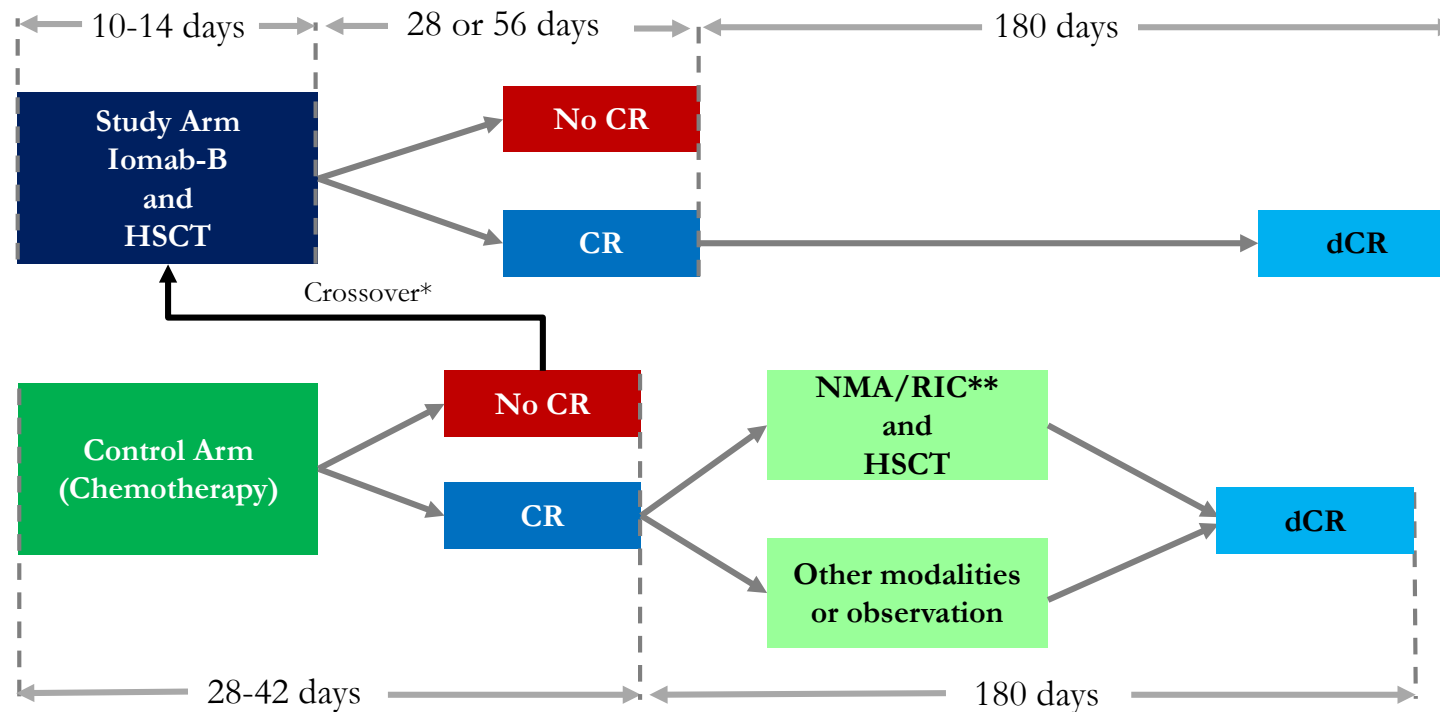
**Anti-CD45 mAb BC8 Radiolabeled with I<sup>131</sup> for HSCT  
Bone Marrow Conditioning**



**STUDY OF IOMAB-B IN ELDERLY  
RELAPSED/REFRACTORY AML**

# Pivotal Phase 3 SIERRA Trial Design

- ♦ Trial design as discussed with FDA<sup>1</sup>:
  - Single pivotal study, pending trial results
  - Patient population: patients 55 years of age or older relapsed or refractory AML<sup>2</sup>
  - 1:1 randomization
  - Trial arms: study arm and control arm with physician's choice of conventional care with curative intent
  - Trial size: 150 patients total, 75 patients per arm



\*Control arm subjects with no CR are offered crossover to Iomab-B for ethical reasons.

\*\*Nonmyeloablative Conditioning/Reduced Intensity Conditioning.

1. Based on the End of Phase II meeting and subsequent communications with the FDA.
2. Refractory is defined as either primary failure to achieve a complete remission after 2 cycles of induction therapy; relapsed after <6 months in complete remission; second or higher relapse; or relapsed disease not responding to intensive salvage therapy



# Many other studies designed to reduce relapse

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- NK-cells
  - Several
  - BMT CTN 1803
- Oral azacytidine
- Vyxeos
- Panabinostat
- Others



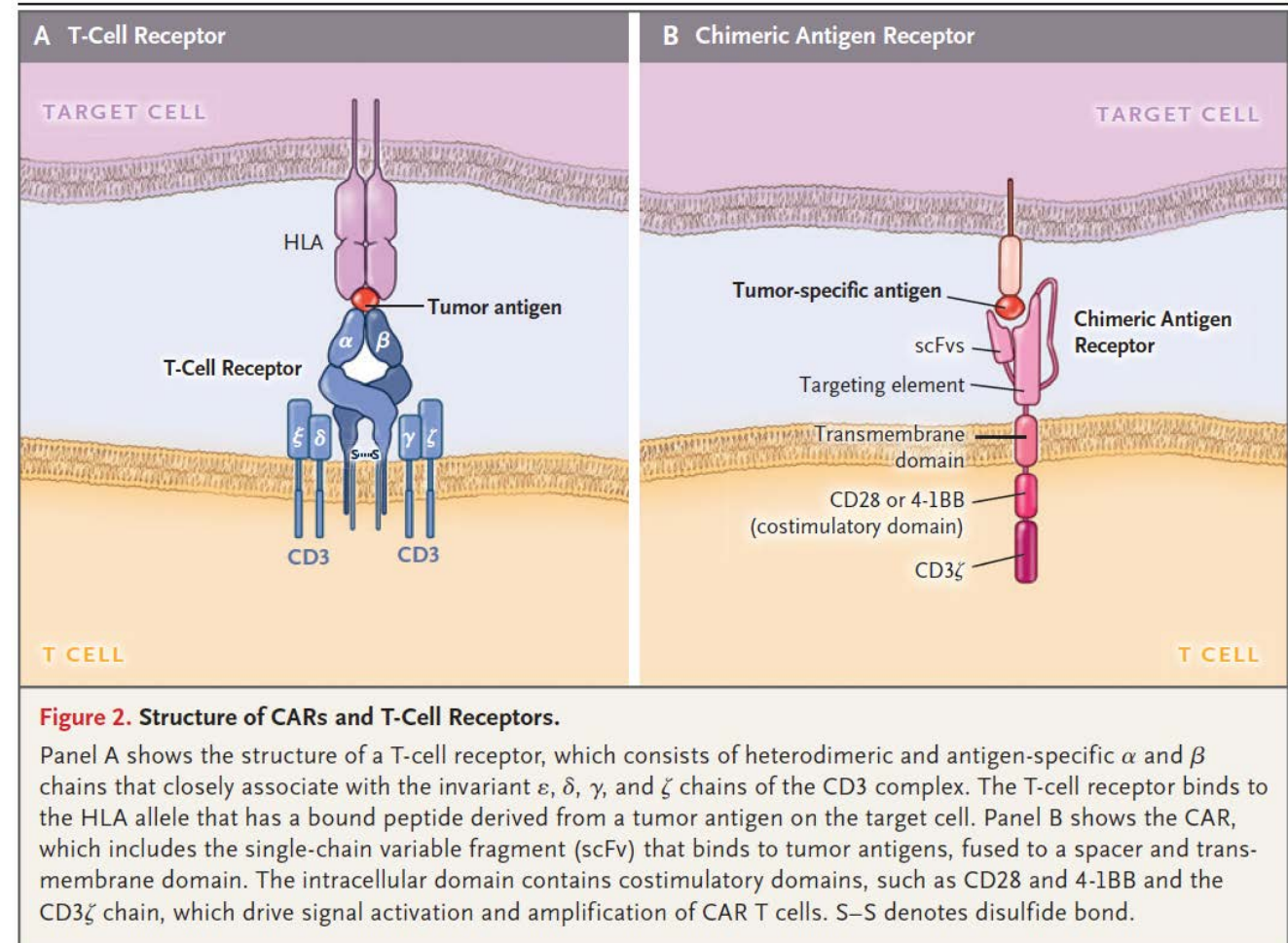
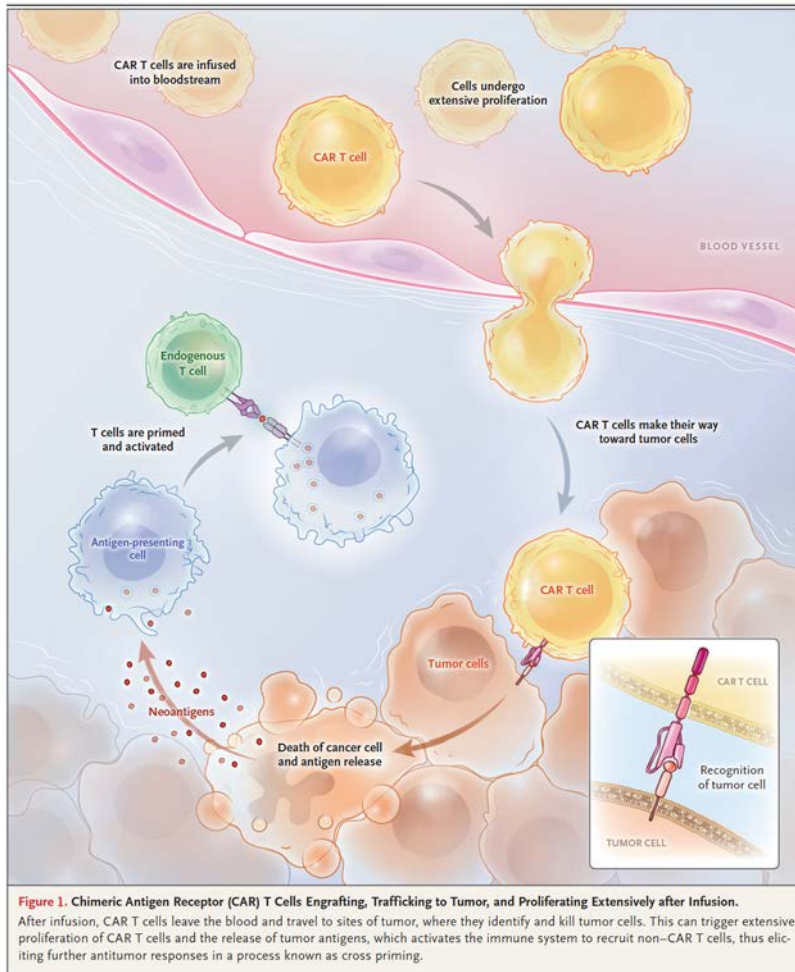
# Cellular Immunotherapy for Cancer

# What is adoptive cellular therapy?

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- Strategy based on ex vivo manipulation of immune cells to enhance anti-tumor activity
- Autologous or allogeneic immune cells transferred to a recipient to elicit an anti-neoplastic effect

# Chimeric Antigen Receptor Therapy



# Efficacy and Toxicity of CAR T-cell Therapy

**Table 1. Responses to CAR T-Cell Therapy.\***

Disease	Response Rate <i>percent</i>	Comments	Reference
<b>Leukemia</b>			
B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (in adults)	83–93	High initial remission rates; unresolved issue is whether CAR T-cell therapy is definitive therapy or should be followed by allogeneic hematopoietic stem-cell therapy	Park et al., <sup>35</sup> Davila et al., <sup>36</sup> Turtle et al. <sup>37</sup>
B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (in children)	68–90	Approximately 25% of patients reported to have a relapse with CD19-negative or CD19-low leukemia; CD22 CAR T cells may improve survival among some patients with CD19 relapses	Maude et al., <sup>34</sup> Maude et al., <sup>38</sup> Fry et al., <sup>39</sup> Lee et al. <sup>40</sup>
Chronic lymphocytic leukemia	57–71	Relapse is rare in patients who have a complete response; ibrutinib appears to increase response rates	Porter et al., <sup>41</sup> Turtle et al. <sup>42</sup>
<b>Lymphoma</b>			
Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma	64–86	Approximately 40–50% of patients reported to have a durable complete response	Turtle et al., <sup>43</sup> Kochenderfer et al., <sup>44</sup> Schuster et al., <sup>45</sup> Neelapu et al. <sup>46</sup>
Follicular lymphoma	71	At a median follow-up of 28.6 mo, the response was maintained in 89% of patients who had a response	Schuster et al. <sup>45</sup>
Transformed follicular lymphoma	70–83	A total of 3 of 3 patients with transformed follicular lymphoma had a complete response	Turtle et al., <sup>43</sup> Schuster et al., <sup>45</sup> Neelapu et al. <sup>46</sup>
Refractory multiple myeloma	25–100	B-cell maturation antigen CAR T cells; stringent complete response in approximately 25% of patients	Ali et al., <sup>47</sup> Fan et al., <sup>48</sup> Berdeja et al. <sup>49</sup>
<b>Solid tumors</b>			
Glioblastoma	ND	In case report from phase 2 study, complete response on magnetic resonance imaging after intravenous and cerebrospinal fluid administration of CAR T cells; response lasted 7.5 mo	Brown et al. <sup>50</sup>
Pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma	17	In one patient with liver metastasis, CAR T-cell treatment produced a complete metabolic response in the liver but was ineffective against the primary pancreatic tumor	Beatty et al. <sup>51</sup>

\* ND denotes not determined.

**Table 2. Reported Toxic Effects of CAR T Cells.**

CAR Specificity and Adverse Effect	Reference
<b>CD19 CAR</b>	
B-cell aplasia and hypogammaglobulinemia	Kochenderfer et al., <sup>52</sup> Kalos et al. <sup>53</sup>
Cytokine release syndrome	Davila et al., <sup>36</sup> Lee et al., <sup>54</sup> Teachey et al. <sup>55</sup>
Dermatitis	Rubin et al. <sup>56</sup>
Hematophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis and macrophage activation syndrome	Grupp et al., <sup>32</sup> Porter et al., <sup>41</sup> Teachey et al. <sup>55</sup>
Neurologic effects such as ataxia and aphasia	Brudno and Kochenderfer <sup>57</sup>
Cerebral edema	Gust et al. <sup>58</sup>
B-cell maturation antigen CAR: the cytokine release syndrome	Riches et al. <sup>59</sup>
Mesothelin CAR: anaphylaxis (antibody to murine single-chain variable fragments)	Maus et al. <sup>60</sup>
Carbonic anhydrase IX CAR: cholangitis (on-target)	Lamers et al. <sup>61</sup>
HER2/neu CAR: lethal cytokine release syndrome	Morgan et al. <sup>62</sup>
Carcinoembryonic antigen–related cell-adhesion molecule 5 (CEACAM5) CAR: hemorrhagic colitis (on-target)	Thistlethwaite et al. <sup>63</sup>

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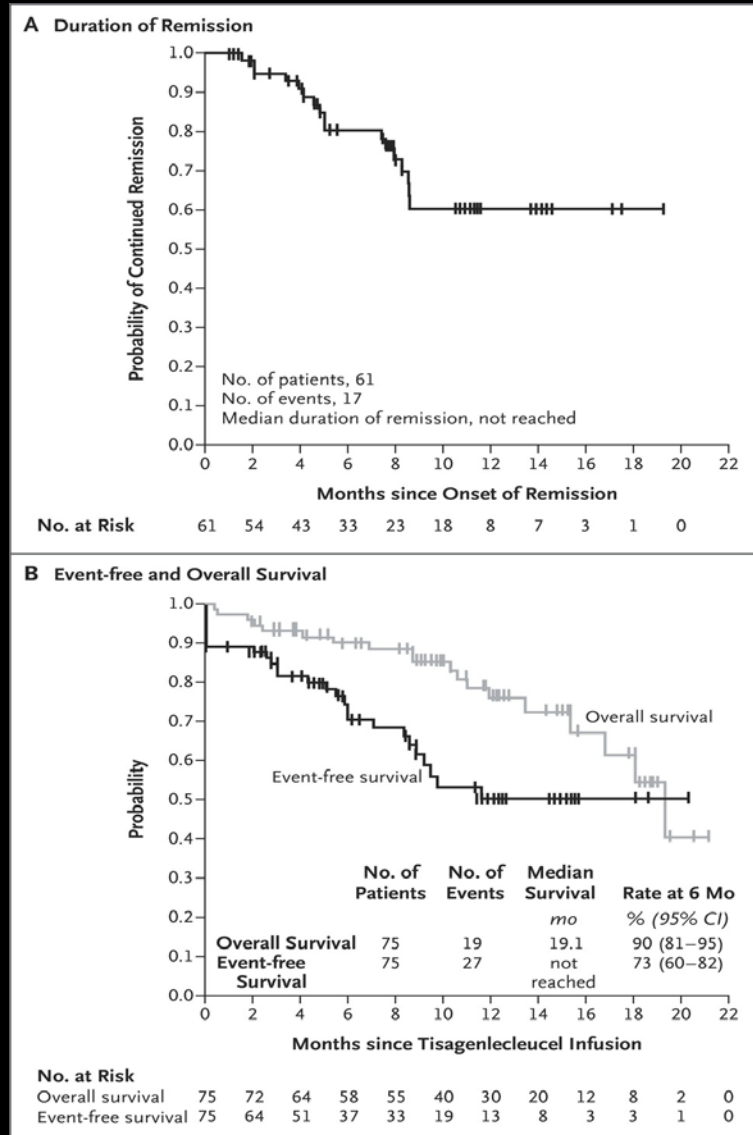
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# Duration of Remission, Event-free Survival, and Overall Survival.





# ZUMA-1: Objective Response

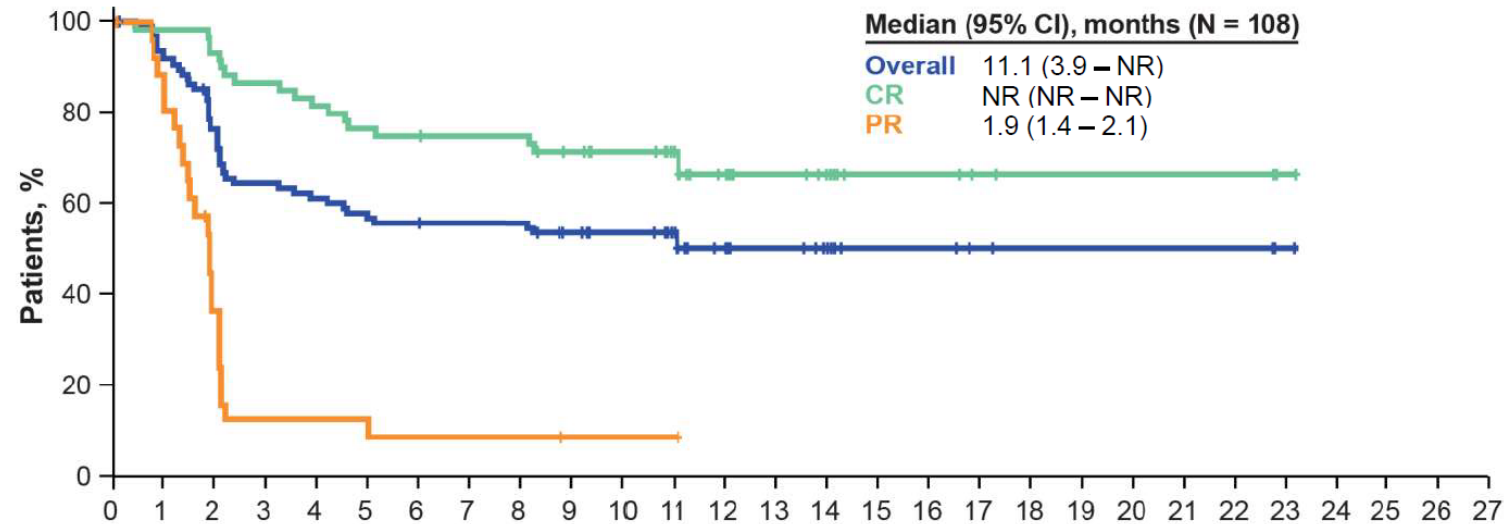
	Phase 2 Primary Analysis N = 101		Phase 1 and 2 Updated Analysis N = 108	
Median follow-up, mo	8.7		15.4	
	ORR	CR	ORR	CR
Best objective response, %	82	54	82	58
Ongoing, %	44	39	42	40

- 57% of patients in phase 1 obtained a CR
- In the updated analysis, 23/60 patients with either a PR (11/35) or SD (12/25) at the first tumor assessment (1 mo post-axi-cel) subsequently achieved CR up to 15 months post-infusion without additional therapy
  - Median (range) time to conversion from PR to CR = 64 (49 – 424) days

Response was evaluated by investigator assessment.

CR, complete response; ORR, objective response rate; PR, partial response; SD, stable disease.

# ZUMA-1: Duration of Response by Best Objective Response



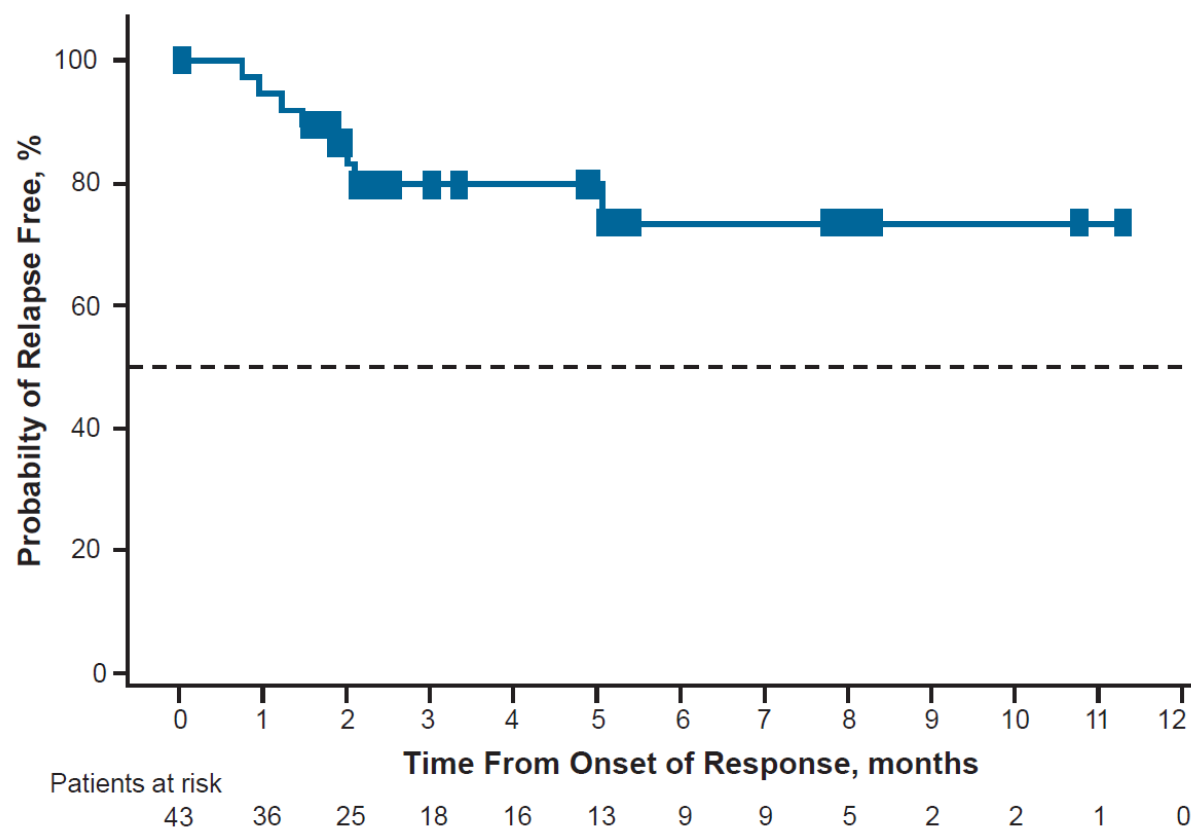
Patients at Risk										Duration of Response, months															
Overall	89	82	67	56	53	49	48	47	47	42	38	31	19	16	12	6	6	4	3	3	3	3	3	1	0
CR	63	61	58	53	50	47	46	45	45	41	37	30	19	16	12	6	6	4	3	3	3	3	3	1	0
PR	26	21	9	3	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	0												

- Median duration of CR has not been reached
- 3/7 (43%) phase 1 patients have ongoing CR at 24 months

CR, complete response; NR, not reached; PR, partial response.



# JULIET: Duration of Response, 74% Relapse Free at 6 Months



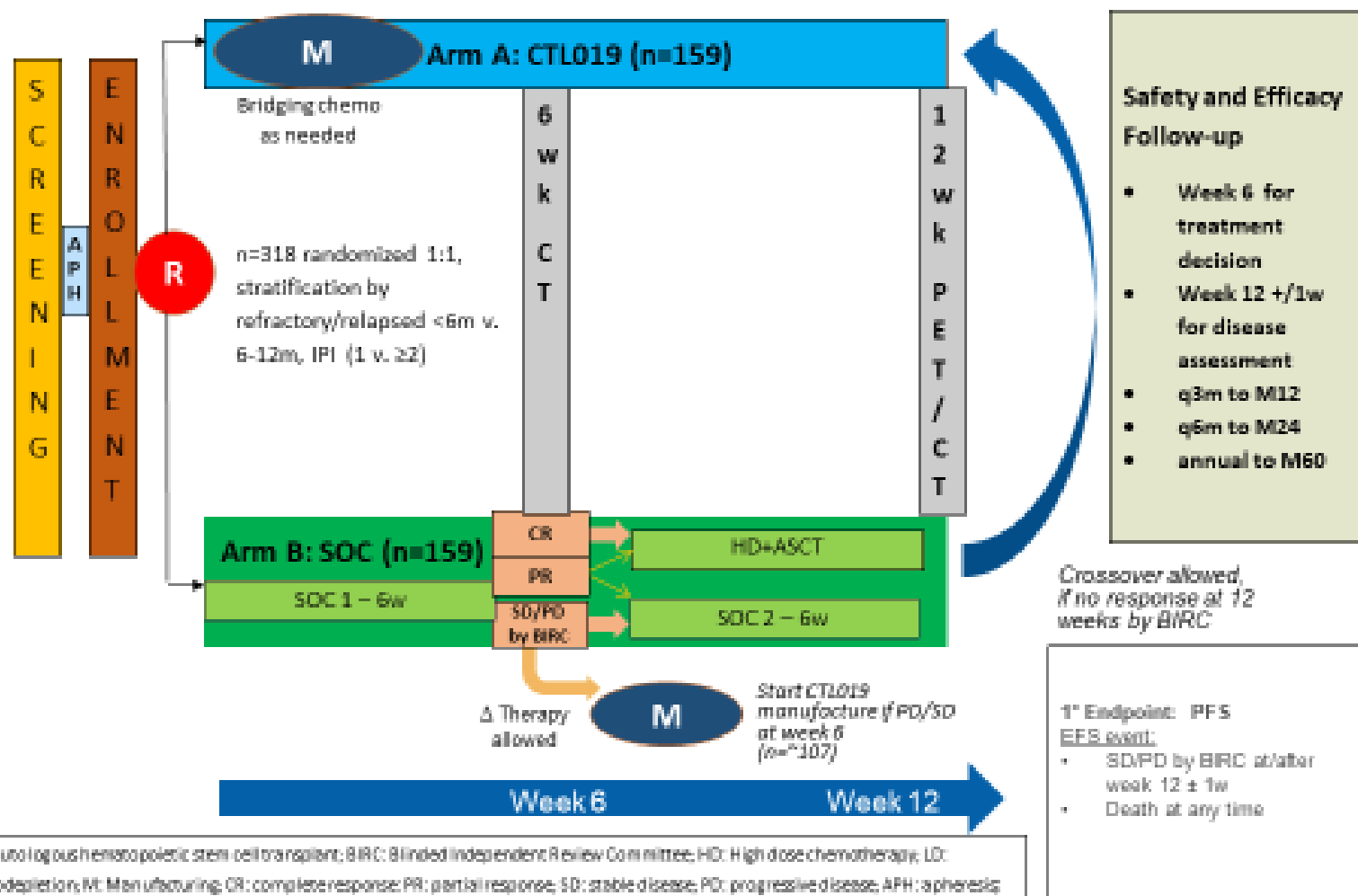
Efficacy analysis set = all patients who received a tisagenlecleucel infusion  $\geq 3$  months prior to data-cut date.

- Median DOR and OS not reached
- Almost all patients in CR at month 3 remained in CR
- No patients proceeded to transplant while in response

CR, complete response; DOR, duration of response;  
OS, overall response.

# CTL019H2301 Amended Design Proposal

Randomization upfront at time of 1<sup>st</sup> relapse (<12 months from R-CHOP)



# Other studies evaluating CAR T-cells vs SOC in NHL

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- Zuma-7: Kite
  - Salvage chemo + High dose chemotherapy and autograft vs treatment with axicabtagene ciloleucel (Yescarta)
- Juno/Celgene
  - Similar phase 3 randomized trial

# BCMA CAR T-cells targeting Multiple Myeloma

human scFv

Lentivirus

Fully human

EGFRt

Sources: *Curr. Hematol. Malign. Rep.* **12**, 119–125 (2017); company representatives.

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# TCR T-cells now in trials in solid tumors

**Table 1 Selected solid tumor TCR gene therapy clinical trials**

Sponsor	Agent	Antigen target	Indication	Stage
NCI	Anti-NY-ESO-1 mTCR PBL	NY-ESO-1	Various solid tumors	Phase 2
NCI	Anti-MAGE-A3-DP4-TCR	MAGE-A3	Various solid tumors	Phase 2
Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center/ Juno Therapeutics	WT1: JTCR016	WT1	Mesothelioma, NSCLC	Phase 1/2
GlaxoSmithKline/ Adaptimmune	NY-ESO-1c259T	NY-ESO-1	Synovial sarcoma	Phase 1/2
GlaxoSmithKline/ Adaptimmune	NY-ESO-1c259T	NY-ESO-1	NSCLC	Phase 1/2
GlaxoSmithKline/ Adaptimmune	NY-ESO-1c259T	NY-ESO-1	Ovarian cancer	Phase 1/2
Adaptimmune	AFFc233T	AFP	Hepatocellular cancer	Phase 1
Adaptimmune	MAGE-A4c1032T	MAGE-A4	Various solid tumors	Phase 1
Adaptimmune	MAGE-A10c796T	MAGE-A10	NSCLC	Phase 1
Adaptimmune	MAGE-A10c796T	MAGE-A10	Bladder, head & neck, melanoma	Phase 1
Kite Pharma	KITE-718	MAGE-A3/A6	MAGE-A3/A6-positive tumors	Phase 1
Parker Institute for Cancer Immunotherapy/ Univ. of Pennsylvania	Anti-NY-ESO-1 TCR, CRISPR to delete PD-1 & autologous TCRs	NY-ESO-1	Multiple myeloma, sarcoma, melanoma	Phase 1
Bellicum Pharmaceuticals	BPX-701	PRAME	AML, MDS, uveal melanoma	Phase 1
Immatics Biotechnologies (Tuebingen, Germany)	IMA-201	(proprietary)	Various solid tumors	Phase 1
NCI/Kite Pharma	KITE-439	HPV-16 E7	HPV-associated cancers	Phase 1
Fred Hutchinson/Juno	Anti-mesothelin TCR	Mesothelin	Pancreatic cancer	Phase 1 pending

NSCLC: non-small cell lung cancer; AML: acute myeloid leukemia; MDS: myelodysplastic syndrome, PRAME: preferentially expressed antigen in melanoma; HPV: human papilloma virus.

# Finding Clinical Trials: there are resources but also challenges

## Health System Clinical Trials Office:

- ✓ Call center and/or website
  - ✓ (+) Quickly able to determine eligibility and enroll
  - ✓ (-) Some research groups may not have efficient referral processes
  - ✓ (-) Limited to your own institution's trials

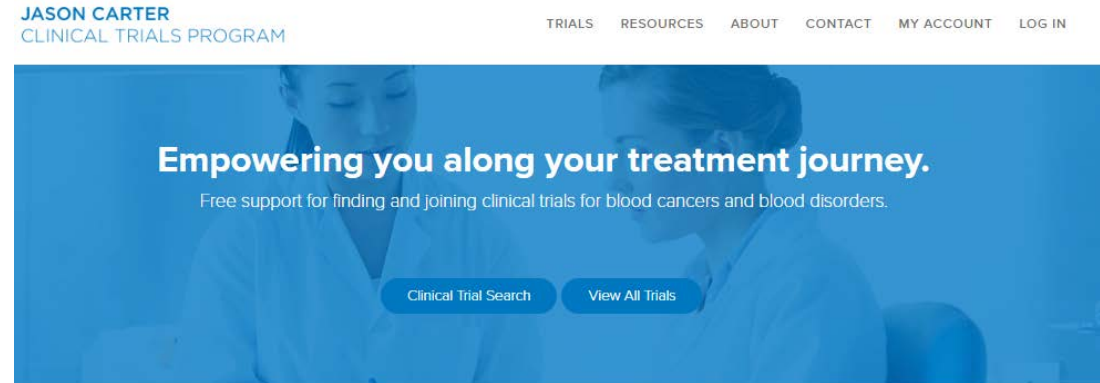
## ClinicalTrials.gov

- ✓ (+) All available trials throughout the U.S. are listed
- ✓ (+) Search function is highly customizable
- ✓ (-) Trial descriptions are inconsistent and with filled scientific jargon
- ✓ (-) No option for interacting with a subject matter expert to assist in the search

# Jason Carter Clinical Trials Program

To help people with blood cancers, blood disorders, and immune systems diseases find and join clinical trials

- **One-on-one support** for patients & families to help answers questions and guide their clinical trials search
- **Online search tool** with patient-friendly trial descriptions:  
[JasonCarterClinicalTrialsProgram.org](http://JasonCarterClinicalTrialsProgram.org)
- **Clinical trial resources** to learn about cancer treatments and clinical trials



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# JCCTP Search Tool

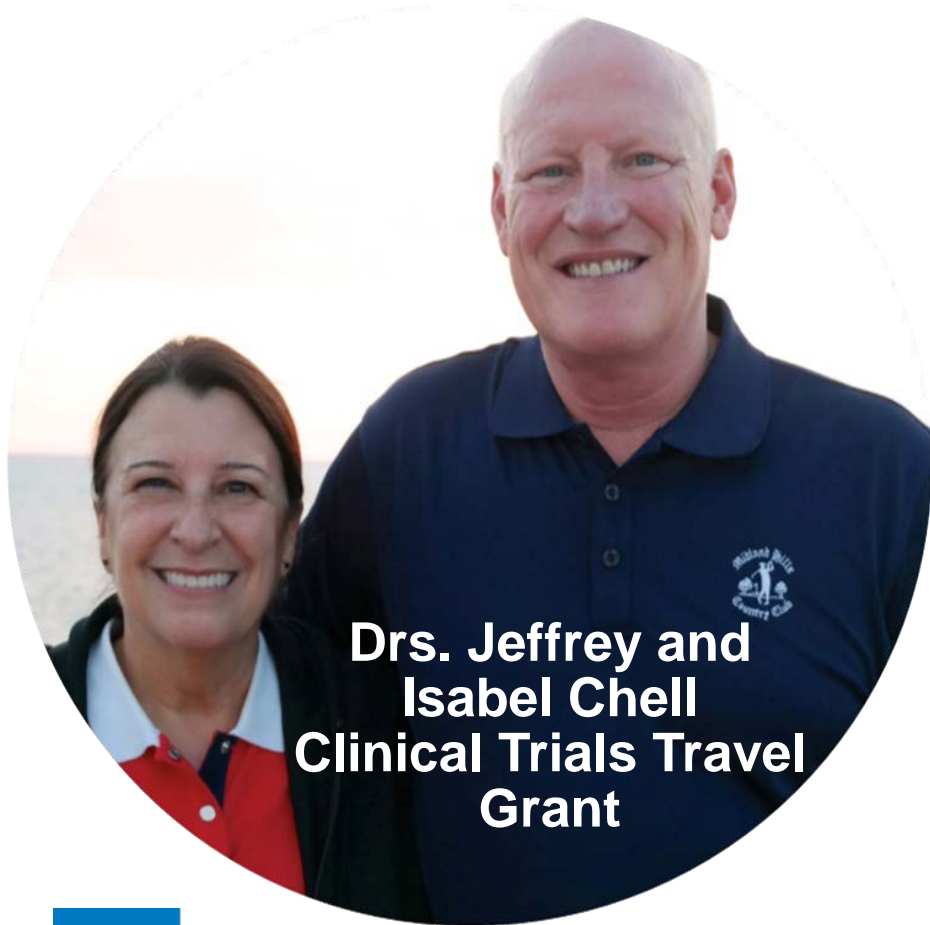
[www.jcctp.org](http://www.jcctp.org)

- Search over 1,100 clinical trials that are:
  - U.S. based
  - Actively recruiting participants
  - Phase 1, 2, or 3
- Trials for:
  - Blood cancers
  - Blood disorders
  - Immunodeficiency diseases
  - Blood or marrow transplant (BMT) complications, such as graft-versus-host disease (GVHD)
- Includes therapies beyond transplant, such as new chemotherapies and targeted immunotherapies (CAR-T, mAb, small molecule inhibitors)

The screenshot displays the JCCTP Search Tool interface. On the left is a search filter panel with fields for 'Disease, treatment or keywords' (containing 'CAR-T'), 'Patient age (years)' (containing '35'), and 'Previous transplant' (radio buttons for 'Yes' and 'No', with 'No' selected). There is a checked option for 'Limit search location' with a sub-field 'Within 50 miles of' containing 'Washington, D.C., USA'. A 'SEARCH' button and a 'Log in to save this search' link are at the bottom of the filter panel. Below the filter panel is a banner for 'Questions? Contact our Clinical Trial Patient Education Specialist' with the phone number '1-888-814-8610' and email 'clinicaltrials@jcctp.org'. On the right, the 'United States Clinical Trial Search' results page shows '8 Results'. The first result is 'CAR T-cells (CD30+) to treat Hodgkin lymphoma or non-Hodgkin lymphoma (NHL)' with 'Phase 1', '1 Location', and NCT ID 'NCT03049449'. The second result is 'CAR T-cells (CD19) to treat advanced B-cell cancers' with 'Phase 1', '1 Location', and NCT ID 'NCT02659943'. The third result is 'CAR T cells (CD19) to treat diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL)' with 'Phase 1', '1 Location', and NCT ID 'NCT02659943'. Each result includes a 'To find out:' section with bullet points and a 'Status: Recruiting' indicator.



# Clinical Trials Travel Assistance Grant



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For patients who need a clinical trial to treat blood cancer or blood disorder. Transplant is **not** a requirement.

Provides financial assistance for travel and accommodations needed to get to a clinical trial

Must meet income and minimum travel requirements

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Applications on [BeTheMatchClinical.org](https://www.BeTheMatchClinical.org) and [JCCTP.org](https://www.JCCTP.org)

Questions: email [PatientGrants@nmdp.org](mailto:PatientGrants@nmdp.org) or call (763) 406-8114

# Conclusion

- ✓ Clinical trials are important for all health care professionals to understand
- ✓ Advances in medicine are only possible through the execution of clinical trials
- ✓ Research in transplant and cellular therapy has never been more diverse or more exciting
- ✓ Helping your patients find clinical trials is a very important part of delivering the highest level of care

# ***Thank you!***



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