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MiNK Therapeutics advancing novel medicines and optimal combinations that are accessible and scalable



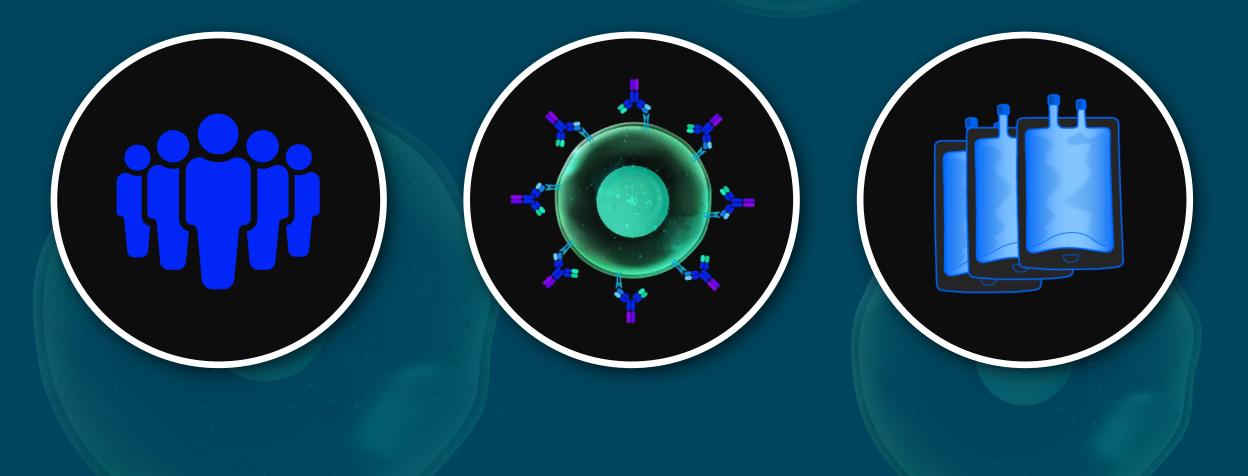
# Invariant Natural Killer T Cells

**iNKTs** 

# Draw Cells from Healthy Donors

Isolate & Expand Cells

# Administer via Infusion





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# Dr. Manuel Hidalgo

Chief of the Division of Hematology and Medical Oncology at Weill Cornell Medicine and New York-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center

# Cancer Treatment: What is Working and How Can We Improve?

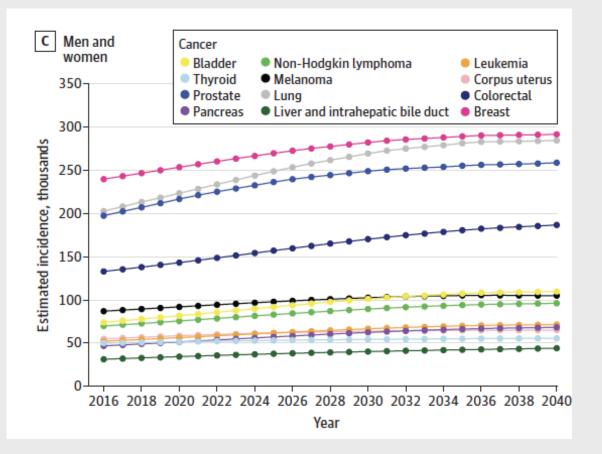
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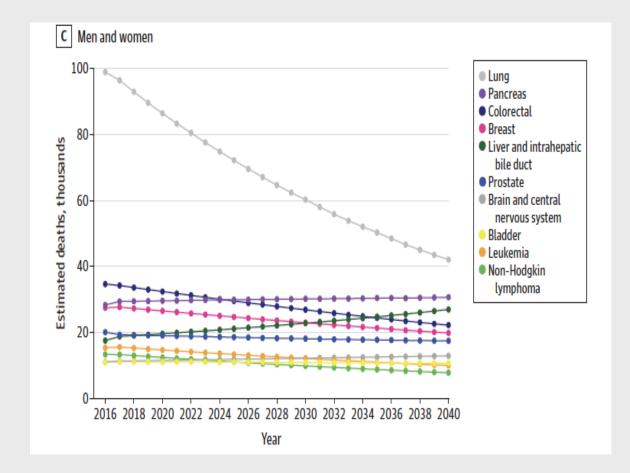
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# **Estimated Projection Cancer Incidence and Death**



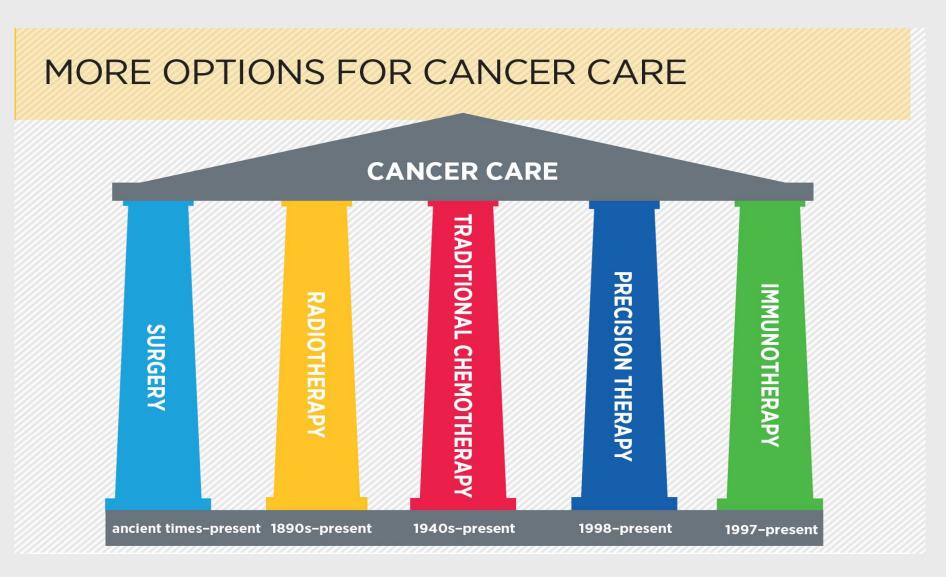


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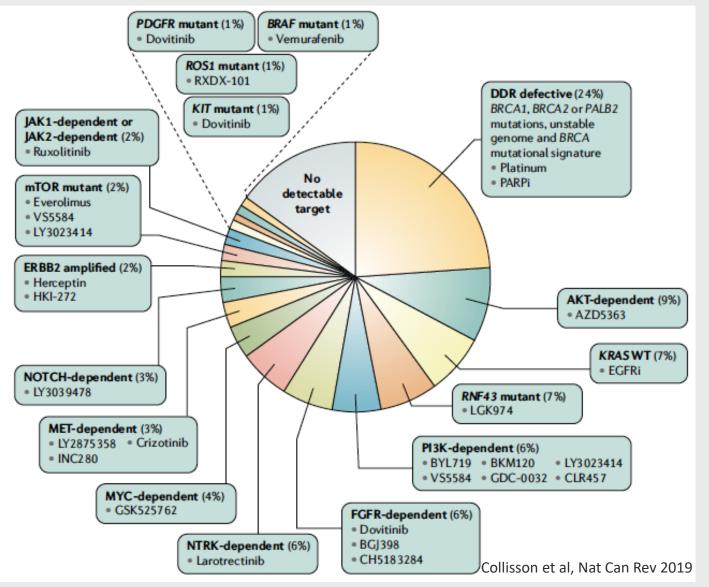
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# **Pillars of Cancer Care**



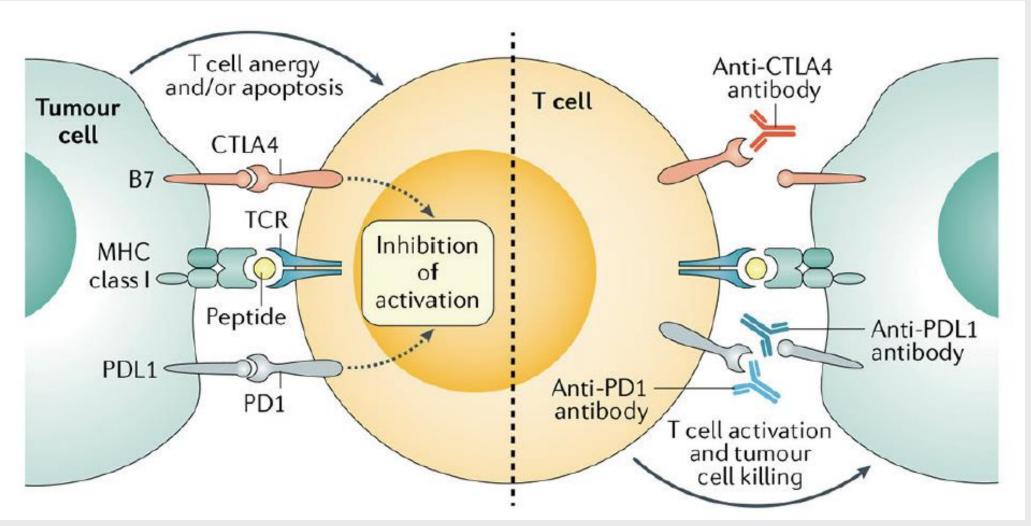
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# **Putative Targets and Inhibitors**



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# **Approved IO Targets**

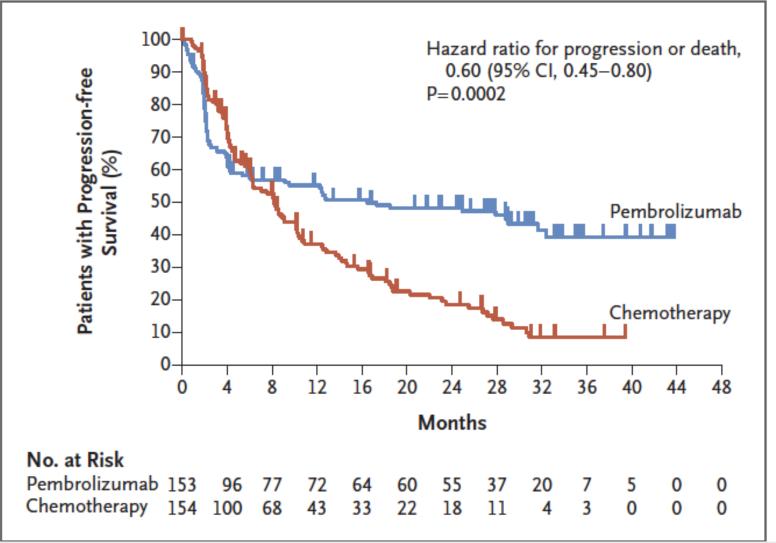


Ganesh et al, Nat Rev Gastroenterol Hepatol 2019

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# **Pembrolizumab in MSI CRC**

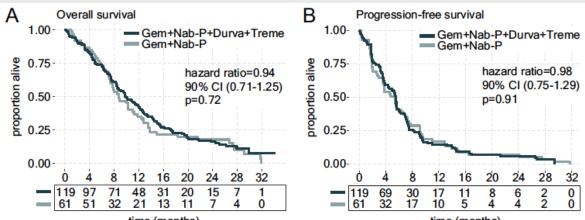


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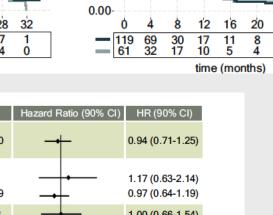
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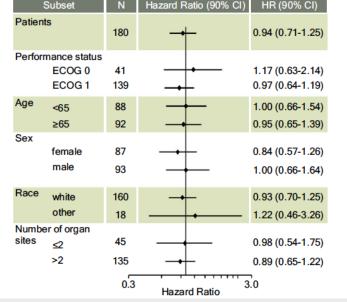
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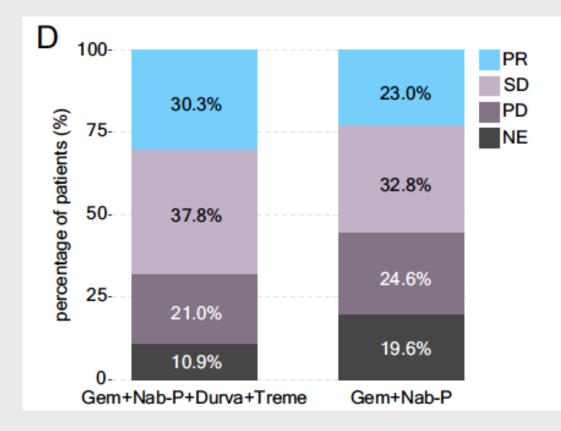
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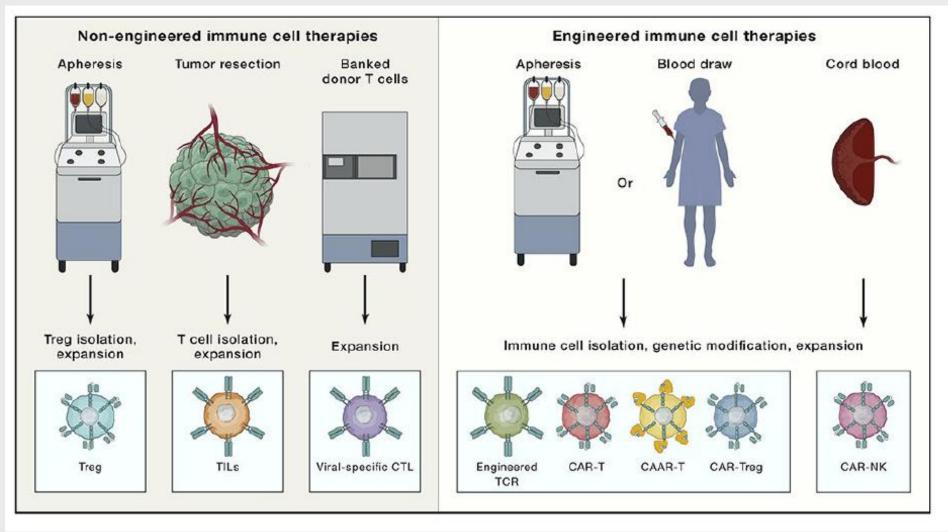


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Renouf at al, Nat Com 2022

# **The Continuum of Immune Cell Therapies**

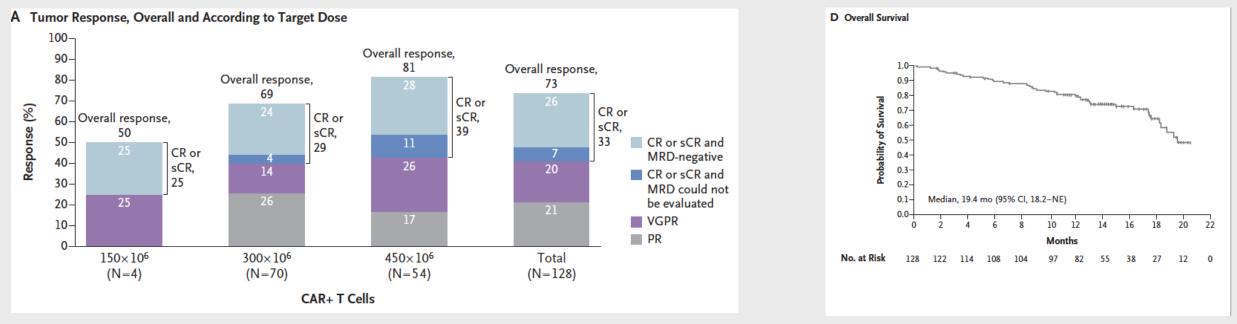


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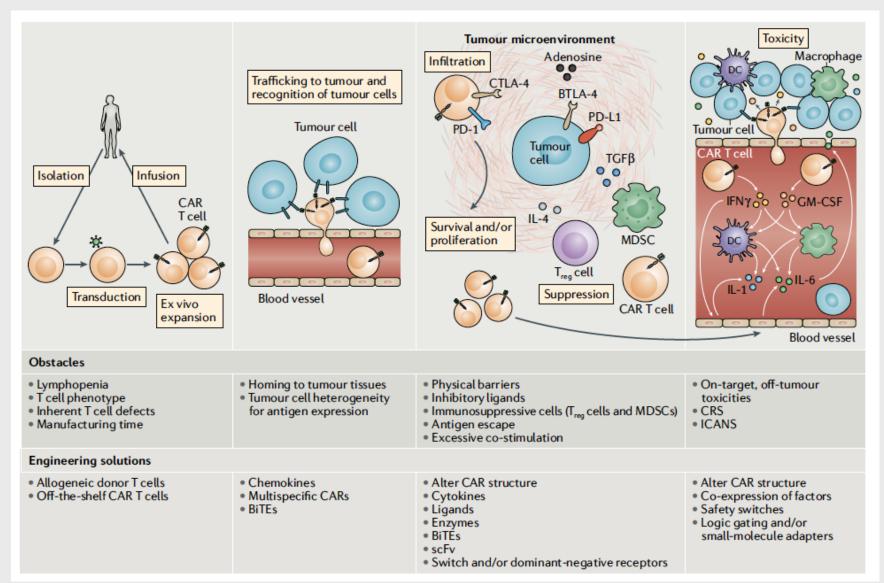
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Munshi et al, NEJM 2021

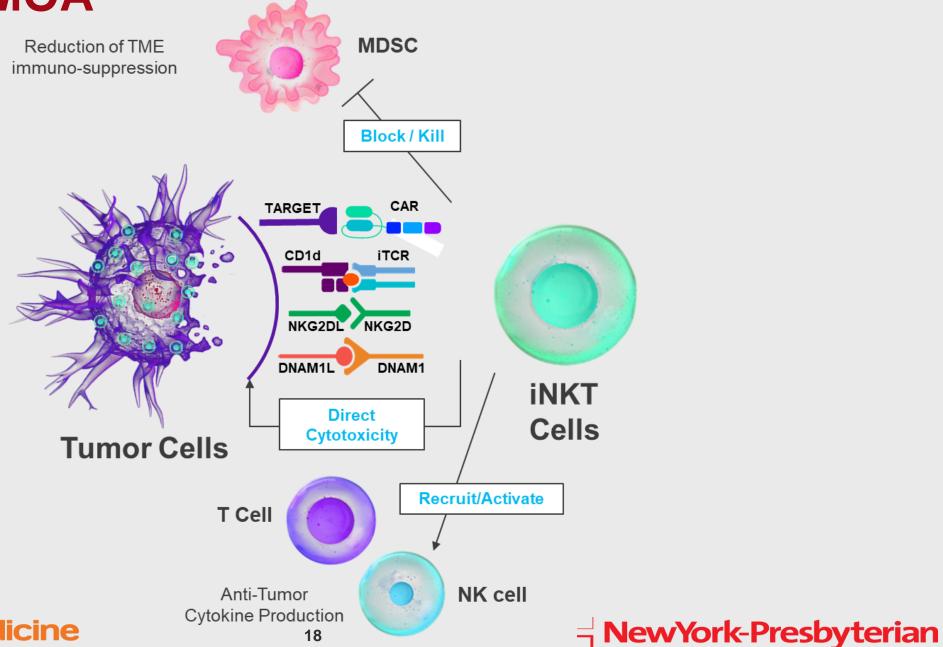
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# **Challenges with CAR T cells**



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# **iNKT cells MOA**



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# Today we will hear...

- Allogeneic unmodified iNKTs (agenT-797) show reductions in target and non-target lesions or disease stabilization in patients with solid tumor cancers when administered alone [27%] and in combination with pembrolizumab (KEYTRUDA®) or nivolumab (OPDIVO®) [66%].
- agenT-797 shows 70% survival in severe viral ARDS compared to reference controls (~10%); potential for a variant agnostic approach to severe infections and pulmonary diseases.
- MiNK's FAP-CAR-iNKT, MiNK-215, demonstrates robust efficacy in NSCLC models, promoting curative responses, eliminating tumor burden in the lungs, and enhancing tumor specific CD8+ T cell infiltration through tumor stroma.
- MiNK-413 is a differentiated allogeneic IL-15-armored-BCMA-CAR-iNKT, a next generation approach to overcome the limitations of current autologous cell therapies.
- Allo-iNKTs (agenT-797) reinvigorates partially exhausted T cells and improves effector functions within the tumor microenvironment; critical mechanisms in rescuing PD-1 refractory tumors.

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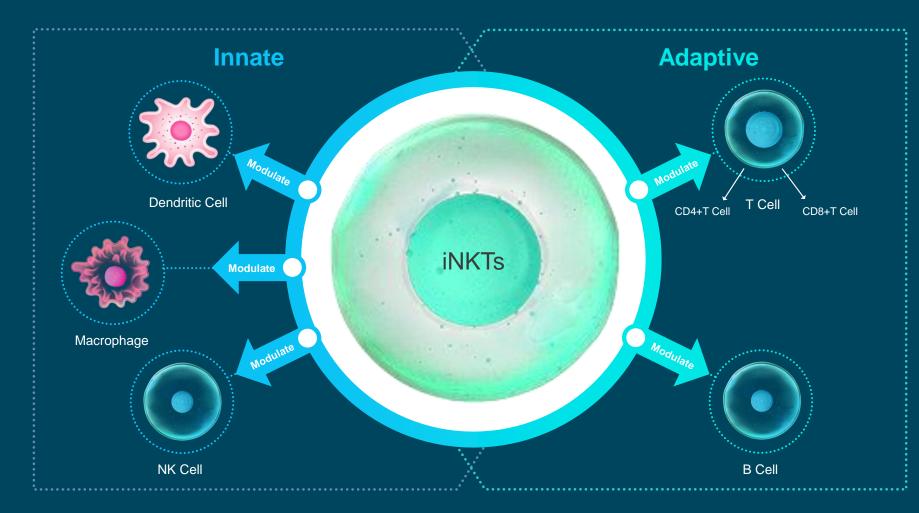
# Dr. Mark Exley, PhD

### Scientific Advisory Board Member, MiNK

- Expert in INKT biology and therapeutics in cancers, infections, auto-immunity and inflammation.
- Associate Editor of Clinical Immunology and >120 peer-reviewed publicatoins
- Faculty at Harvard Medical School
- Co-founder of NKT Therapeutics Inc.
- Professor at University of Manchester, UK.



# iNKT Cells are Distinct in the Cell Therapy Landscape, Combining both Innate and Adaptive Immunity



#### **Rapid Response**

Distinct T cells that possess the effector function of adaptive immune cells, but also the rapid activation kinetics of innate immune cells

#### **Potent Activity**

While rare in circulation, iNKTs can **amplify & accelerate** immune surveillance and response

#### **Flexible Platform**

**Polarization** of iNKTs towards pro- or anti-inflammatory states can tailor activity for specific indications



# iNKT Cells Directly Attack Tumor Cells, Recruit Host Immunity, and Reshape Tumor Microenvironment

#### **iNKT Anti-Cancer Mechanism**

#### **Direct tumor killing**

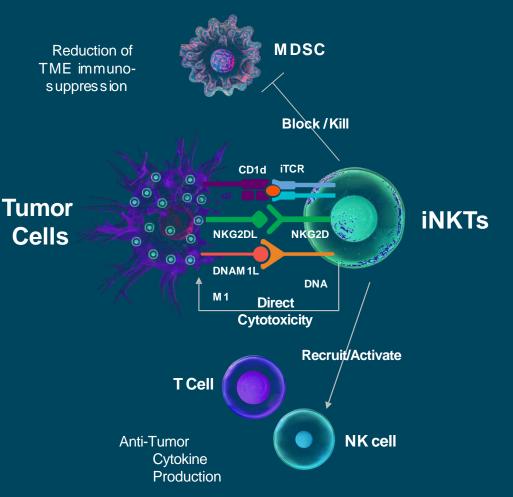
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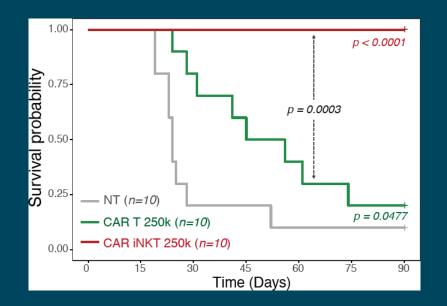
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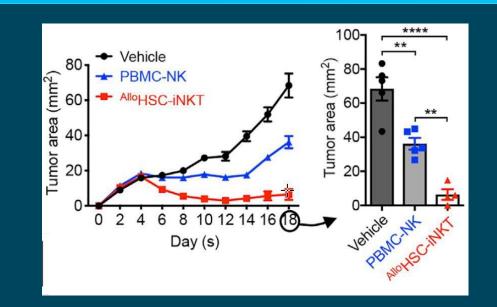
# iNKTs Promote Superior Tumor Control and Survival Relative to T and NK Cells

CAR-iNKT Promote Superior Survival vs CAR-Ts Through Direct Killing & Host Immunity Induction



- CD19-CAR-iNKTs promoted superior tumor control relative to CAR-T cells, resulting in **survival of all mice**
- CAR-iNKTs uniquely induce host CD8 T-cell responses, resulting in a potent antitumor effect lasting longer than the persistence of allogeneic cells

iNKT Outperform NK Cells Through Intrinsic NK Function



- iNKT cells more effectively suppress tumor growth than NK cells
- iNKTs promote superior antitumor responses through increased expression of NK activating receptors, reduction of NK inhibiting receptors and production of cytotoxic molecules



# **iNKTs in ARDS and Viral Infections**

#### **iNKT Anti-Infection Mechanism**

#### **Direct viral killing**

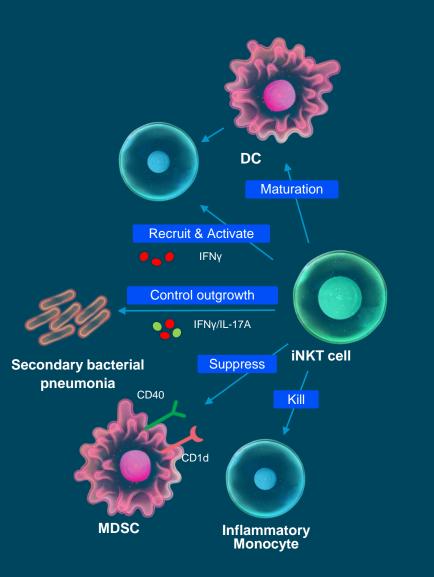
- Recognition of CD1d ligands in diseased tissue and activation through the invariant TCR
- Recognition of stress-signals through activating NK receptors, NKG2D, DNAM1

#### **Recruitment of host immunity**

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#### **Conditioning of infection site**

- Kills inflammatory monocytes (protects airway epithelium)
- Induces maturation of immature DCs
- Dampens pro-inflammatory cytokines (i.e. IL-1, IL-6)





# iNKT Cells Have Benefits Beyond Other Cell Therapies

		iNKT Cells	T Cells	NK Cells	γδ <mark>T Cells</mark>
	Tumor homing and persistence	$\checkmark$	×	X	$\checkmark$
POTENT CANCER KILLING	Orchestrate innate and adaptive immune responses	$\checkmark$	×	×	×
	Modulate suppressive myeloid compartment	$\checkmark$	X	X	X
	No TCR engineering needed for allogeneic application				
ENHANCED TOLERABILITY	No lymphodepletion; naturally suppresses GvHD	$\checkmark$	×	×	×
	Ability to multi-dose and administer without lymphodepletion	$\checkmark$	×	?	?
OFF-THE-SHELF APPROACH	Scalable, off-the-shelf proprietary process scaling >10,000 doses/yr	<ul> <li></li> </ul>			



# Dr. David Einstein, MD

#### Lead Investigator

- Genitourinary Medical Oncologist, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
- Assistant Professor, Harvard Medical School
- Director, GU Oncology Clinical Research, Beth Israel-Lahey Network
- Principal Investigator of the DF/HCC GU Rapid Autopsy Program
- Young Investigator and Challenge Awards from the Prostate Cancer Foundation for investigation of immunogenic prostate cancer
- Principal Investigator or Co-Investigator on multiple DF/HCC clinical trials of immune-based and targeted therapies for GU cancers





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## Allo-INKTs (agent-797) Alone or In Combination with PD-1 Inhibitors Builds on Observations of Activity of iNKTs in Solid Tumors





Autologous INKTs in Solid Tumors	Clinical Outcomes			
Head and Neck Cancer (SCCHN)	ORR: 50%			
Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC)	SD: 67% (4/6)			
Advanced Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC)	mOS: 13 months Historical: <6 months			
<b>Favorable safety with f</b> our Grade 3 AEs (n=43 patients in 5 trials); no serious cytokine release or neurotoxicity; up to 1 billion cells per patient, comparable to approved cell therapies <sup>1</sup>				

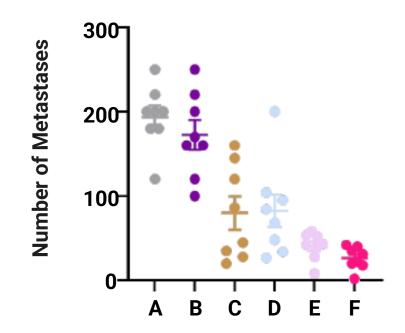


# Syngeneic Checkpoint Inhibitor-Resistant Melanoma Tumor Model (B16-Ova)

**iNKT Cells Plus Checkpoint Inhibitors Show Solid Tumor Elimination** 

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A Control B Fc enhanced CTLA-4 + PD-1 C iNKT activator D iNKT activator + PD-1
E iNKT activator + Fc enhanced CTLA-4
F iNKT activator + Fc enhanced CTLA-4 + PD-1

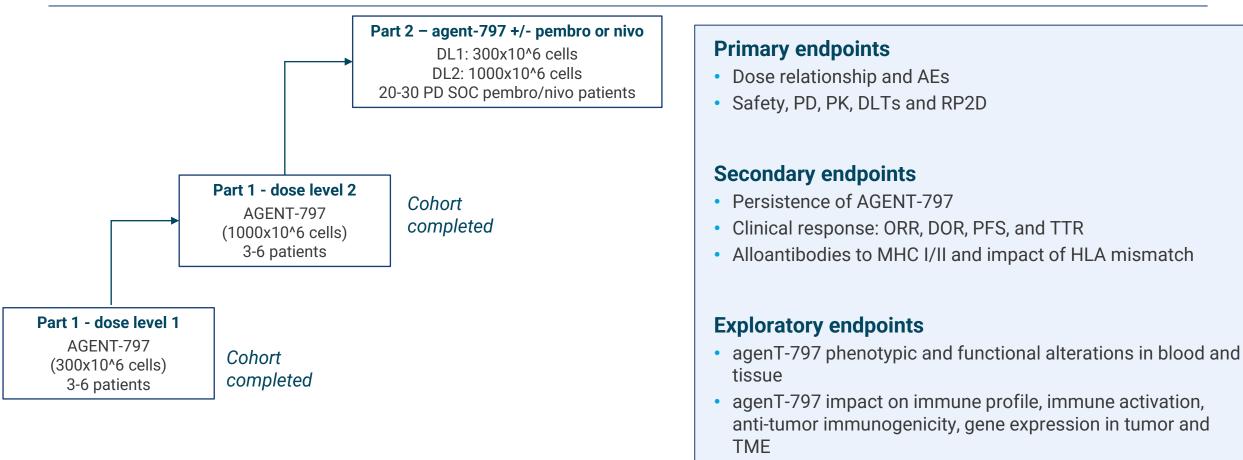
- Endogenous iNKTs activated by administration of α-GalCer
- Activated iNKTs show effective tumor infiltration and reduction
- Combination of activated iNKTs with PD-1 and CTLA-4 checkpoint antibodies show clearance of lung metastases



# Phase 1 Trial of agent-797 (allo-iNKTs) Monotherapy or in Combination with Pembrolizumab or Nivolumab in Solid Tumors

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• Impact of HLA mismatch on iNKT persistence and activity

Expansions at RP2D in solid tumor cancers, including but not limited to NSCLC, HCC, prostate



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Phase 1 Overview

	DL1 4.3x10 <sup>6</sup> cells/kg	DL1 4.3 x 10 <sup>6</sup> cells/kg + pembro/nivo	DL2 1.4 x 10 <sup>7</sup> cells/kg	Total
	N=8	N=3	N=14	N=25
Age				
Median (range)	60 (30-73)	62 (62-76)	57 (54-66)	62 (30-76)
Sex, n (%)				
Male	2 (25.0)	3 (100.0)	11 (78.6)	16 (64.0)
Female	6 (75.0)	0	3 (21.4)	9 (36.0)
Patient Disposition				
Early d/c	6 (75.0)	1 (33.3)	2 (14.3)	9 (36.0)
Death	1 (12.5)	0	0	1 (4.0)
Progression	5 (62.5)	1 (33.3)	2 (14.3)	8 (32.0)

### • Trial Launch May 2022

- Efficacy Evaluable/Enrolled: 14/25
- Heavily pretreated with median ~4 prior lines of therapy
- Median follow-up ~18 weeks
- Favorable safety; no CRS or neurotoxicity



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### agenT-797 Shows Early Signs of Clinical Activity in Solid Tumors

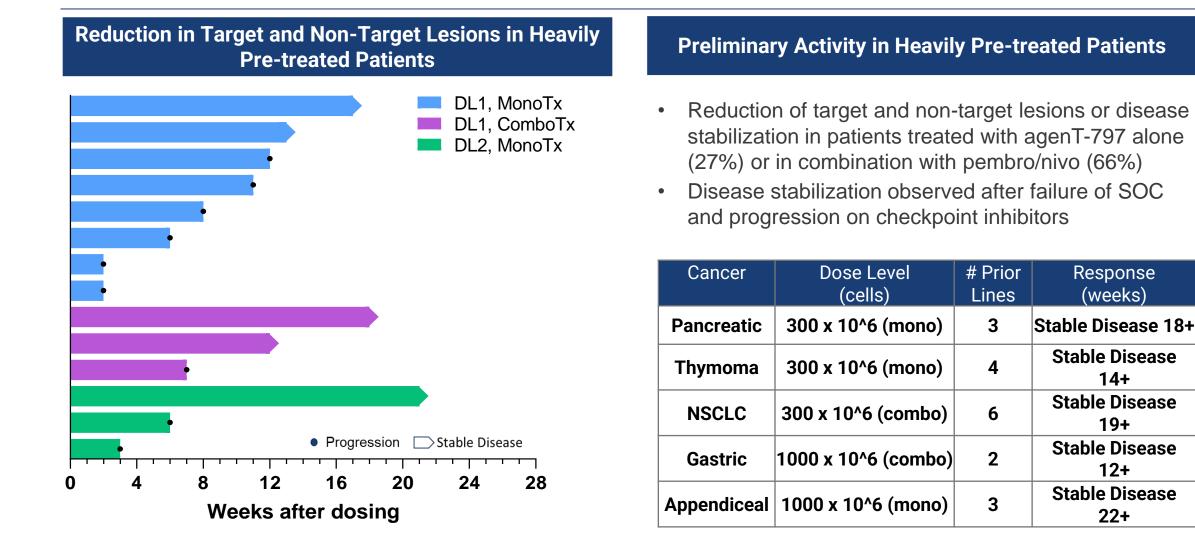
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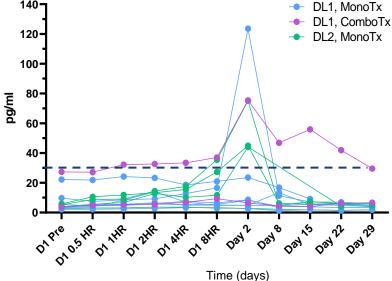
### agenT-797 Can Be Dosed Alone and In Combo with Anti-PD-1 with **Favorable Tolerability Profile**

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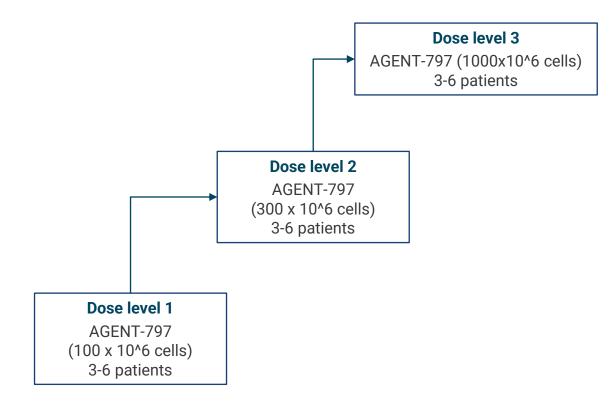
No DLTs and Few Related AEs		No Cytokine Release Syndrome or Neurotoxicity		agenT-797 Shows Modulation of IFNX		
Summary of Related Adverse Events	Solid Tumors (n=25)					
Any AE grade ≥ 3	8 (32%)				140 –	
Any TRAE grade ≥ 3	1 (4%)	IL-1β 6 - <u>*</u> 25	<b>IL-6</b>	CRP	-	← DL1, MonoTx ← DL1, ComboTx
Any irAE	0 (0%)	- 20	- 0-	80 T	120-	- DL2, MonoTx
Any TRAE leading to discontinuation	0 (0%)	4- <u> </u>	· - ·		100 80 E 80 60	
Any TRAE leading to dose interruption	0 (0%)				හි 60- - 40-	
Any TRAE leading to death	0 (0%)	P16 D1.D8 D1529	Pre DI De DI STA	Pre 01.08 15.29	20-	

- Solid tumors: one TRAE of grade ≥3 (anemia)
- Multiple myeloma: TEAEs of grade ≥3 were observed in 2 subjects (thrombocytopenia)
- Most common TEAEs were fatigue, nausea, constipation, dizziness, anemia



# Phase 1 Trial of agenT-797 in R/R Multiple Myeloma After ≥3 Prior Lines of Therapy





#### Enrollment completed in all dose levels

#### **Primary endpoints**

- Dose relationship and AEs
- Safety, PD, PK, DLTs and MTD

#### **Secondary endpoints**

- Persistence of AGENT-797
- Clinical response: ORR, DOR, PFS, and TTR
- Alloantibodies to MHC I/II and impact of HLA mismatch

#### **Exploratory endpoints**

- agenT-797 phenotypic/functional alterations
- agenT-797 impact on immune profile, immune activation, anti-tumor immunogenicity, gene expression and TME
- Impact of HLA mismatch on iNKT persistence and activity



### agenT-797 Shows Early Clinical and Biomarker Activity in r/r Multiple Myeloma After ≥3 Prior Lines of Therapy

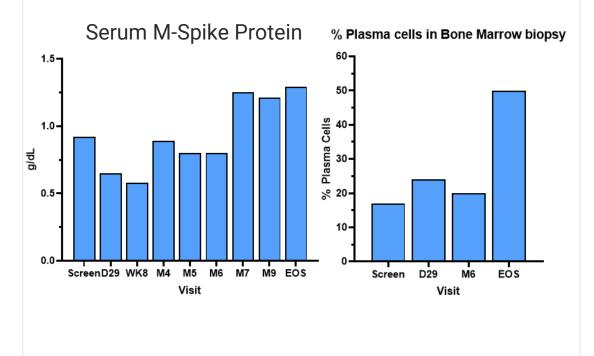


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Durable disease stabilization for over 10 months in heavily pre-treated patients

Patient	Dose Level (cells)	# Prior Lines	Response (months)
1	100 x 10^6	6	SD10
2	100 x 10^6	6	PD
3	100 x 10^6	4	PD
4	300 x 10^6	4	PD
5	300 x 10^6	3	PD
6	300 x 10^6	7	SD2+
7	1000 x 10^6	2	PD
8	1000 x 10^6	6	PD

Case Study: Reduction in M-spike protein and stabilization of plasma cell levels



# agenT-797 Administered Without Lymphodepletion in MM with a Favorable Safety Profile

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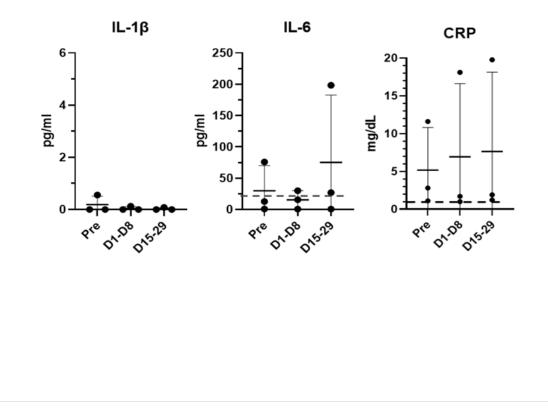


#### No DLTs and Few Related AEs

	Multiple Myeloma (n=12)
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### **Summary and Future Directions**



- agenT-797 alone and in combination with anti-PD-1 is well tolerated across multiple doses and shows early signals of clinical and biomarker activity in patients with solid tumors and multiple myeloma
- No evidence of cytokine release, neurotoxicity, or immune related adverse events
- Observations may be related to INKT conversion of partially exhausted CD8+ T cells (SITC #372), or effector functions within the tumor microenvironment (SITC #372)
- agenT-797 expansion trials in cohorts designed to expand benefit beyond available SOC, including, but not limited to lung and liver cancers are under development with agenT-797 alone and in combination with CPIs (anti-PD-1; NCT05108623)
- Considerations for future trial development
  - Triplet therapies based on tolerability and pre-clinical justification for combination with Agenus pipeline CPIs
  - Tolerability also supports moving into earlier disease spaces with potentially less immunosuppressive tumor immune microenvironments





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Abstract Number: 372

agenT-797, a native allogeneic "off-theshelf" invariant natural killer T (iNKT) cell therapy product improves effector functions within the tumor microenvironment

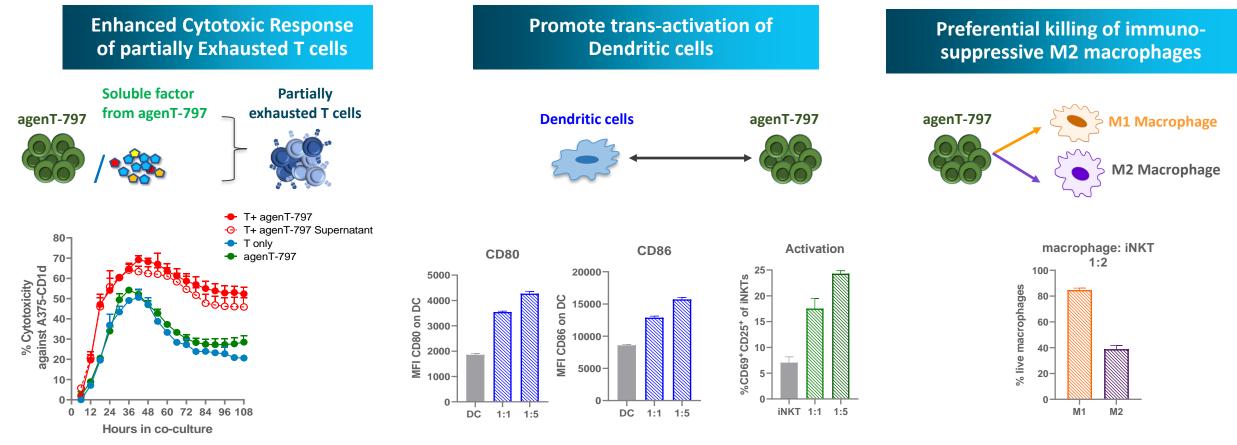


# Novel therapeutic approaches therapies are required for redirecting dysfunctional T cells and myeloid cells for anti-tumor functions

- T cell exhaustion is a common phenomenon that occurs due to prolonged antigen exposure during cancer and chronic viral infection. Despite the promising therapeutic effects of CAR-T therapy on hematological malignancies, limited effect on solid tumors and patients suffering from relapse is known with this therapy.
- Myeloid cells are most abundant immune cells in the tumor microenvironment which play a central role in mediating immunosuppression through direct contact or secretion of soluble factors.
- agenT-797 is a native allogeneic "off-the-shelf" iNKT cell therapy product which is in clinical trial for heme malignancies, solid tumor and COVID. Here, we show that agenT-797 modulate the immune responses in tumor microenvironment by
  - 1. enhancing the killing potential of partially exhausted T cells
  - 2. activating the dendritic cells
  - 3. targeting immuno-suppressive macrophages



# agenT-797 Improved Anti-Tumor Activity of Immune Cells that are Present in the Tumor Microenvironment



 agenT-797 enhances tumor killing by re-invigorating partially exhausted CD8<sup>+</sup>T cells via soluble factors • Activating dendritic cells which can promote activation of T cells through enhanced antigen presentation

agenT-797 selectively kills M2 macrophages while preserving M1 macrophages for anti-tumor responses





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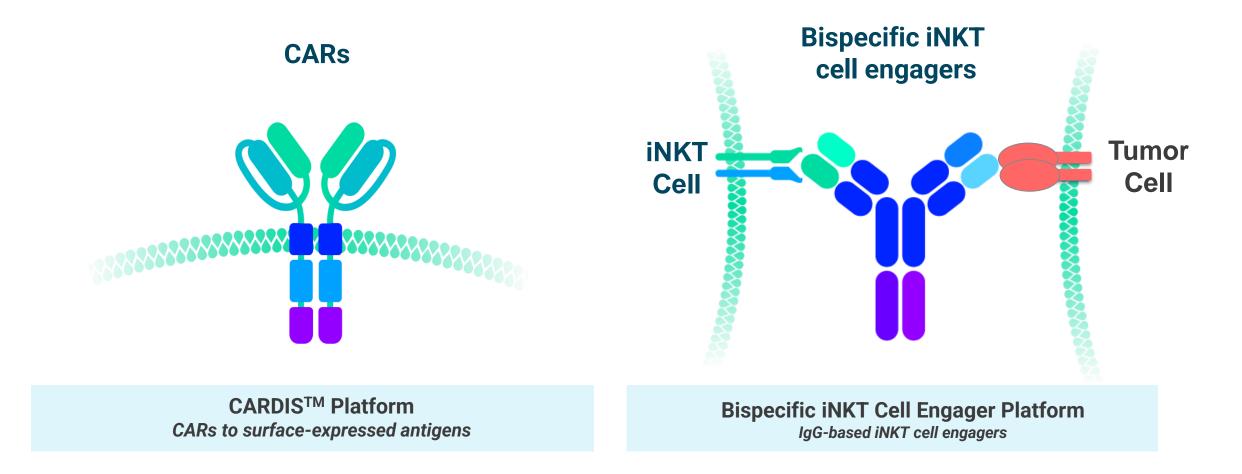
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Optimizing iNKT Cells Our Platforms for CAR-INKT and INKT-Engagers



#### iNKT Cell Anti-Tumor Activity Can be Enhanced by CARs and Engagers





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#### **iNKT Anti-Cancer Mechanism**

#### **Direct tumor killing**

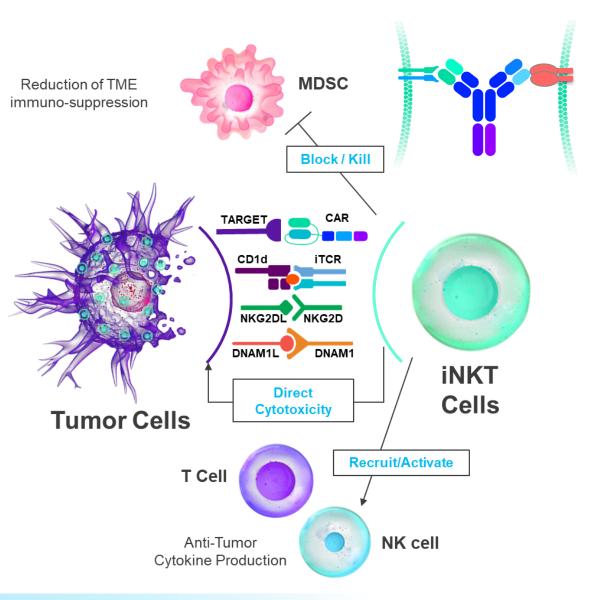
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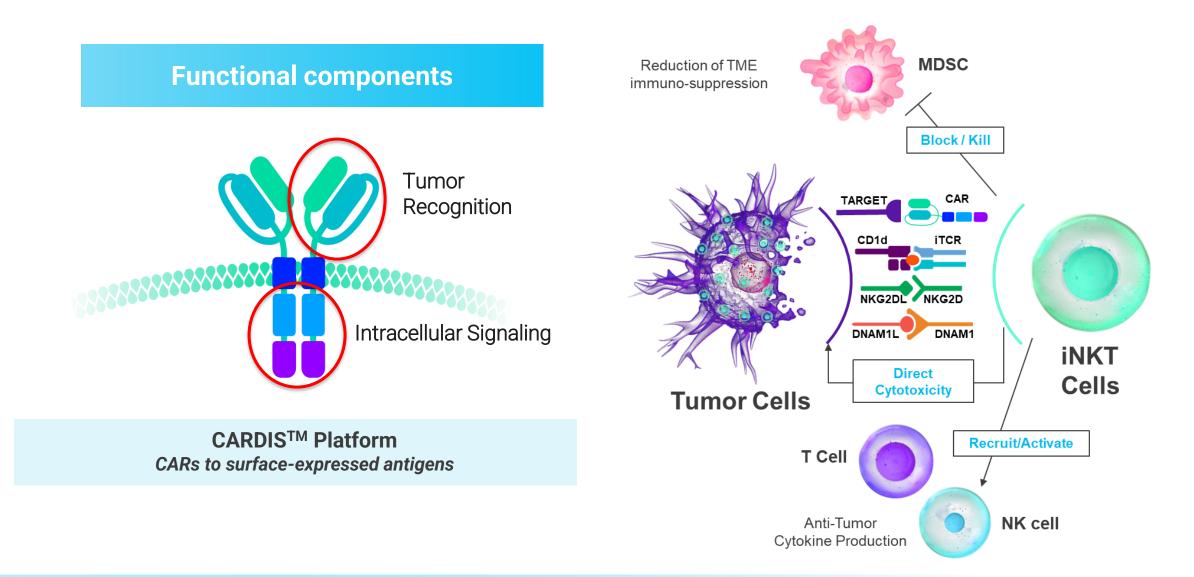
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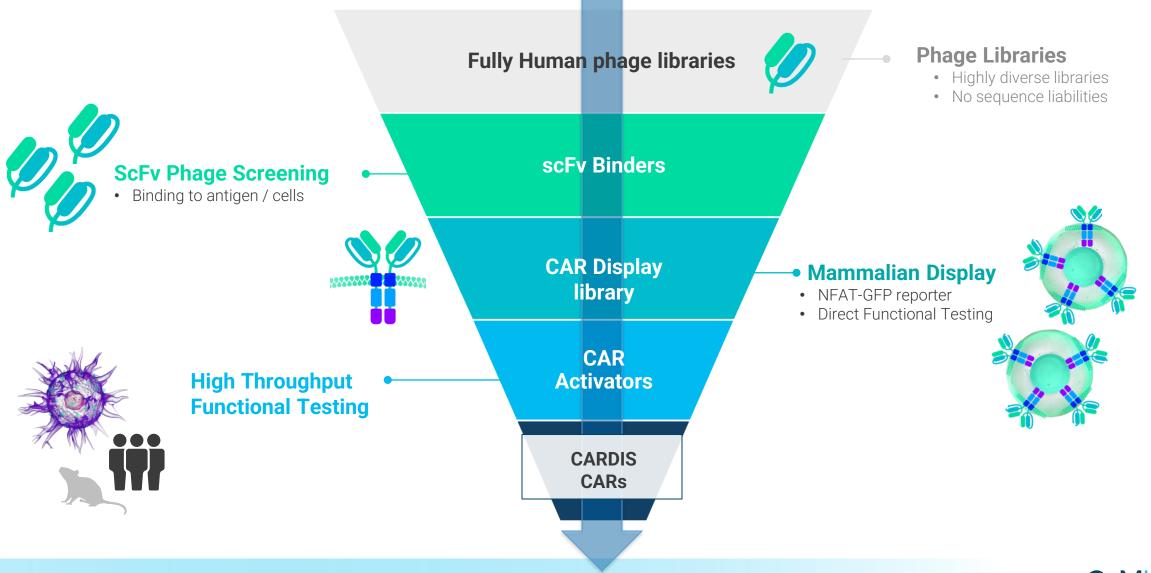


#### **CARDIS Platform - Chimeric Antigen Receptors for iNKT cells**



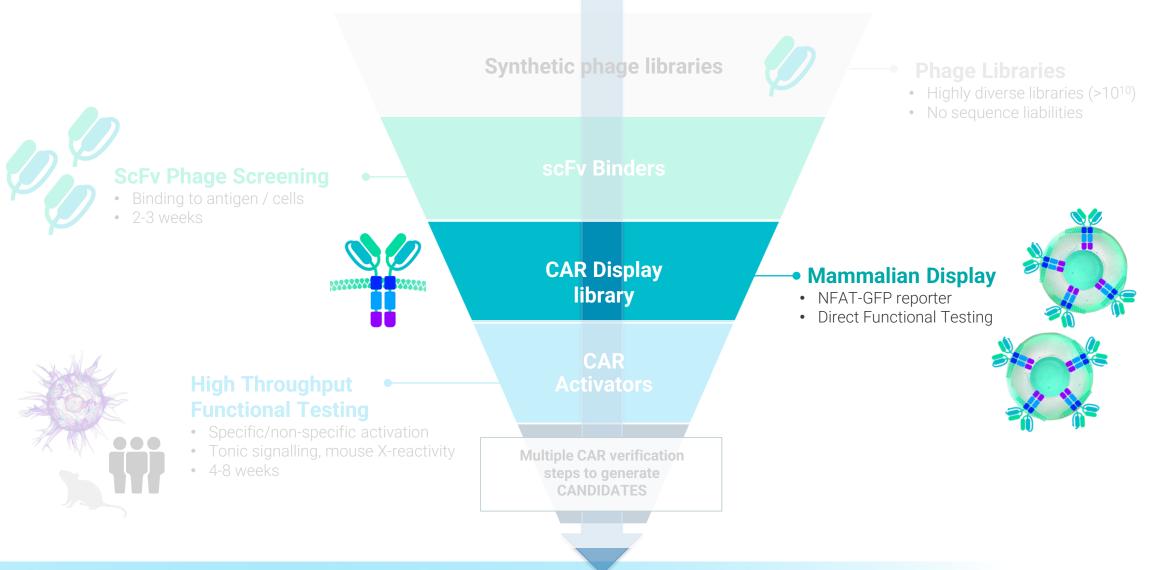


#### **CARDIS Platform Enables Rapid Selection of Potent and Highly specific CARs**



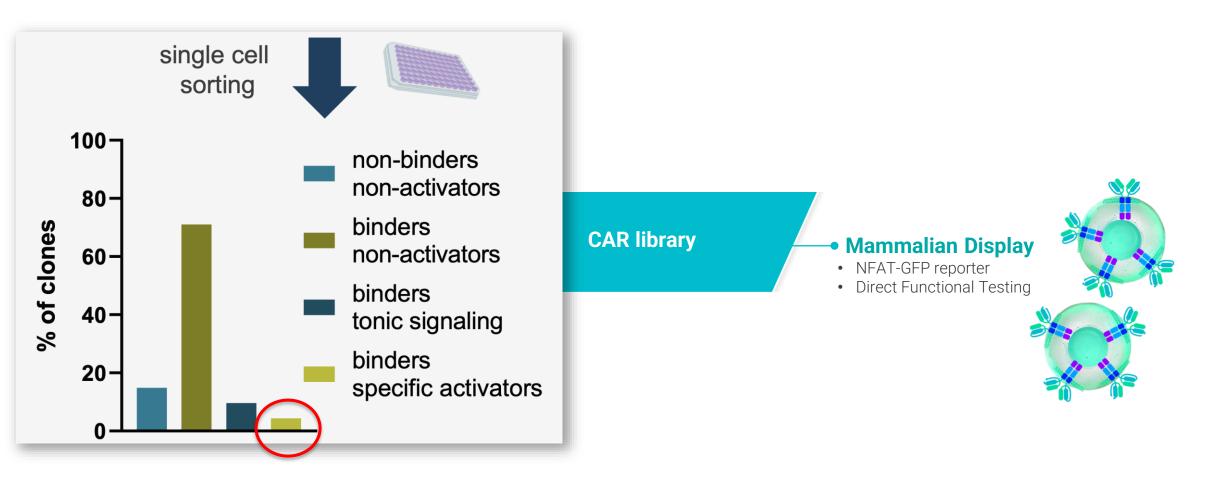


#### **CAR Display – the value-add step of CARDIS<sup>™</sup>**





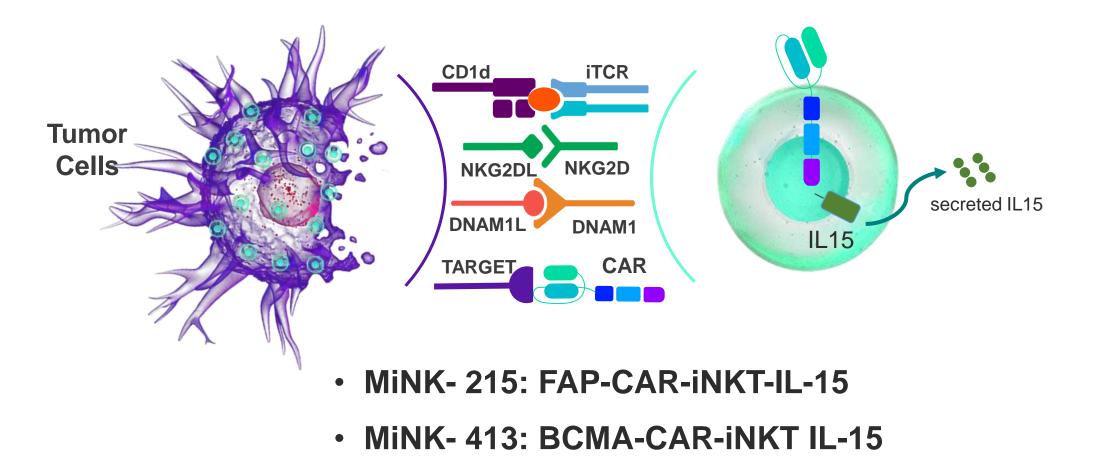
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<1% of target binders make functional CARs – industry challenge



#### MiNK CAR-iNKT portfolio – our most advanced programs







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Development of an allogenic FAP-CARiNKT product to target tumor stroma and modulate the Tumor Microenvironment

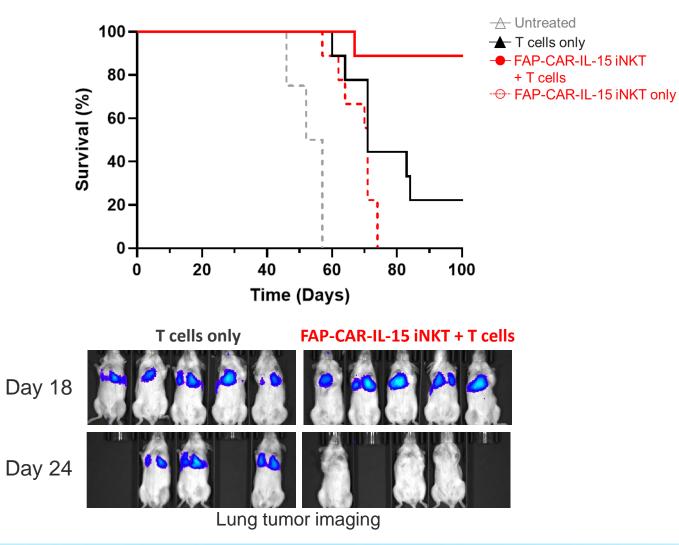


### MiNK FAP-CAR-IL-15 iNKT Cell Therapy Promotes Curative Responses in NSCLC Tumor-Bearing Mice

- MiNK FAP-CAR iNKT delays tumor engraftment through changing the tumor microenvironment and preventing tumor growth
- FAP-CAR-IL-15 iNKT appears to eliminate tumors more effectively than tumor specific T cells
- MiNK FAP-CAR iNKT promotes survival through enhancement of tumor-specific T cells activity
- MiNK FAP-CAR iNKT enhances infiltration and survival of tumor-specific T cells within the core of the tumor
- MiNK FAP-CAR iNKT has curative potential in one of the most prevalent and deadly cancer in which the immune system and PD-1 therapies are not enough
- MiNK FAP-CAR iNKT is a first of a kind product showing tremendous benefit toward a target widely expressed in lethal cancers



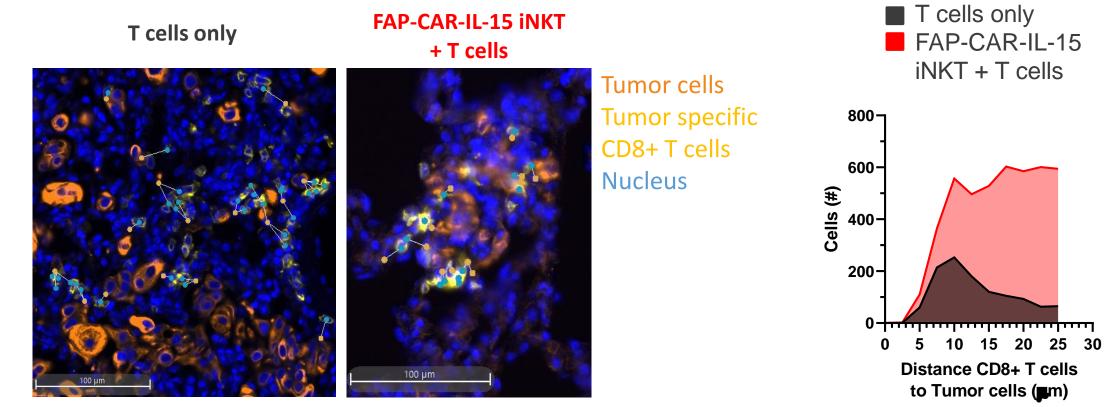
## MiNK FAP-CAR-IL-15 iNKT Cell Therapy Promotes Curative Responses in NSCLC Tumor-Bearing Mice



- NSCLC xenograft tumor model developing an immunosuppressive stroma resistant to tumor-specific T cell infiltration and activity
- FAP-CAR-IL-15 iNKT delays tumor engraftment in targeting the stroma that supports its growth
- 6 days post infusion, FAP-CAR-IL-15 iNKT treated lungs are mostly cleared while tumor specific T cells alone do not
- FAP-CAR-IL-15 iNKT promotes survival through enhancement of tumor-specific T cells activity



# FAP-CAR-IL-15 iNKT Enhances Infiltration of Tumor-Specific CD8+ T cells to Clear Tumor



- In absence of FAP-CAR iNKT, tumor-specific T cells remain excluded from the tumor core
- FAP-CAR-IL-15 iNKT cells increases the number of CD8+ T cells infiltrating the core of the tumor promoting tumor clearance





#### Eleni Chantzoura, PhD

Director Discovery, MiNK

# R&D 2 DAY

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MiNK-413: a Next generation armored allogenic BCMA-CAR-iNKT product



#### MiNK-413: Not another BCMA CAR T-Cell Therapy

MiNK-413 for Multiple Myeloma: allogenic BCMA-CAR iNKT cell therapy opportunity for partnership

Why are we better?

1. CARDIS - functional selection

2. iNKT cells - more than just kill tumor cells

3. Manufacturing process - >5000 doses from a single healthy donor

Limitations of BCMA CAR-T cell therapy:

- 1. Sub-optimal CARs
- 2. Clinical challenges
- 3. Logistical challenges



### **Therapy in Multiple Myeloma: Room for Improvement**

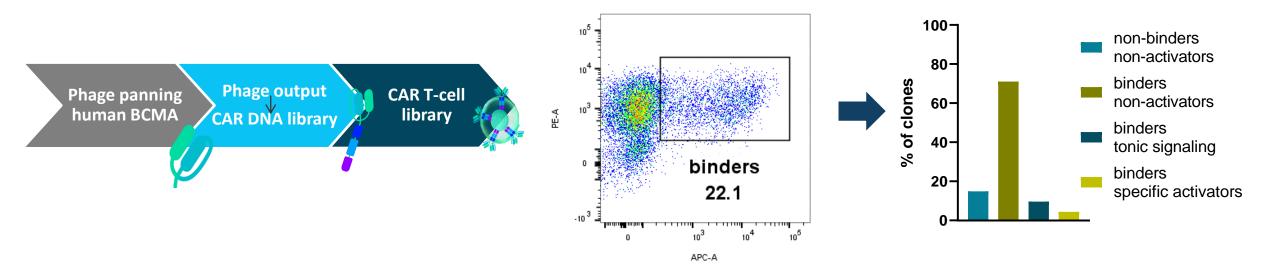
□ Sub-optimal CARs

□ Clinical Challenges

Manufacturing Limitations



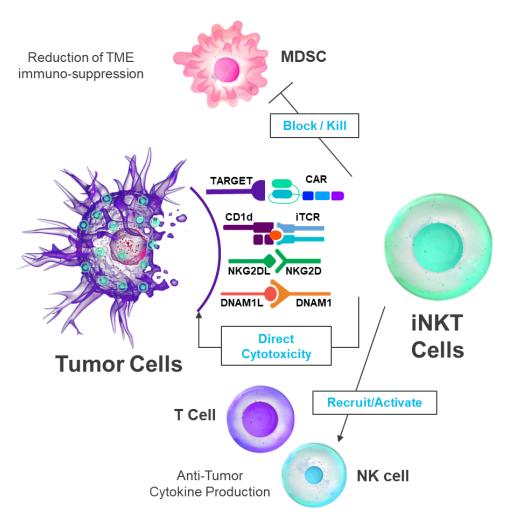
# **Sub-optimal CARs - Immunogenicity**



### **CARDIS: High-Throughput Identification of Functional CARs**



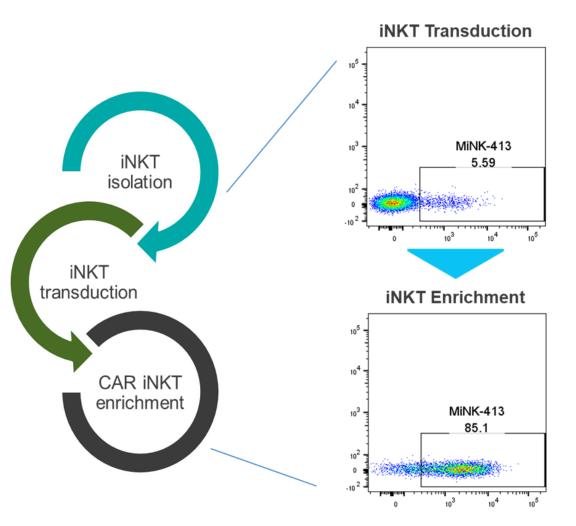
# **Clinical challenges – Multiple Myeloma is still incurable**



#### BCMA CAR iNKT cells do more than just kill the tumor cells



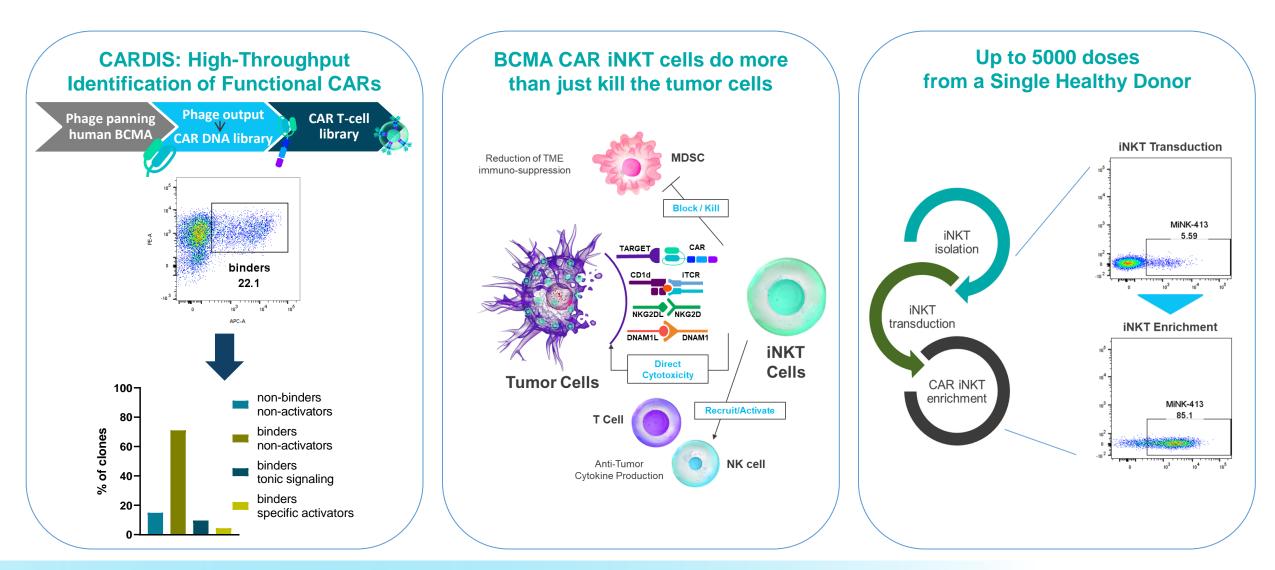
## Manufacturing and Logistical Challenges



Up to 5000 doses from a single healthy donor



## MiNK-413: Not another BCMA CAR T-Cell Therapy







# R&D 2 DAY

Unlocking the constraints of cell therapy manufacturing to enable scalable, accessible, and affordable treatments

#### Joy Zhou, PhD

Head of CMC, MiNK Therapeutics



#### **Curative Efficacy of Cell Therapy with Rapid Accessibility and Affordability**

MiNK unlocks constraints of cell therapy large scale manufacturing to enable an **accessible** and **affordable** treatment

#### Available Autologous Cell Therapy Dynamics

Cost of Goods (per treatment): >\$500K per patient\*

Production Scalability: **1 batch = 1 patient \*\*** 

Availability (from qualification of treatment to time treatment is delivered):
2-3 months \*\*\*

\* recently approved SKYSONA from Bluebird bio to treat CALD (active cerebral adrenoleukodystrophy) priced at \$3M per dose
\*\* a batch is a single production run that typically spans 3-4 weeks
\*\*\* when a patient requires the treatment, there needs to be a production run followed by release, which together take 10-12 weeks)

#### MiNK Allogeneic Cell Products

Target cost of Goods (per treatment): ≤\$10K per patient\*

Production Scalability: 1 batch ≥5,000 patients\*

Availability (from qualification of treatment to time treatment is delivered): <br/><1 day\*\*

 \* includes release, packaging, labeling, etc. – we expect to achieve these COGS and production scale levels in 2024 based on 300M cells per dose
 \*\* our product will be available off the shelf as a cryopreserved product



#### Internal Manufacturing Path to Achieve ≥700,000 DOSES PER YEAR

We've designed production capacity with commercial ready mfg suite to produce ≥ 700,000 doses/year production potential

Cell expansion	Harvest & Purification	Formulating & Fill/Finish
(2-3 weeks)	(<1 day)	(< 1 day)
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Proprietary reagents for INKT purification; proprietary process for INKT activation Estimated 3-week manufacturing time and 5,000 doses per batch is designed to achieve ~600-700,000 doses per year





# Dr. Terese Hammond

- Program Medical Director, Providence Saint John's Health Center and pulmonary critical care expert
- Pioneering work in clinical and translational science in critical care of COVID-19

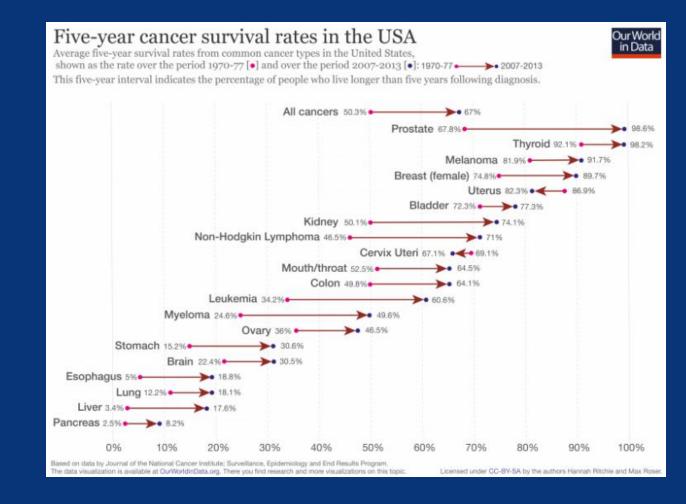
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The Future of Cell Therapy and precision medicine for ARDS and critical illness

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# Mortality of Critical Illness Exceeds Most Cancers

- Mortality Rates
  - Sepsis: 25-50%
  - ARDS: 35-45%
  - COVID-19: 30.9% overall and 35.7% mechanically ventilated
  - COVID-19 ECMO: 40-70%
  - Ruptured AAA: 80%
  - SAH: 20-50%



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# iNKT Development in ARDS and Viral Infections

Versatile & critical cells for suppressing inflammatory cytokines, fighting infection, and reducing relapse in patients

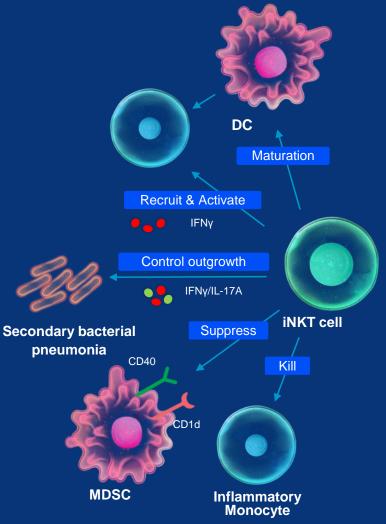
#### Acute Respiratory Distress (ARDS)

Acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) is inflammation driven respiratory failure in COVID, Flu, Sepsis and other infections

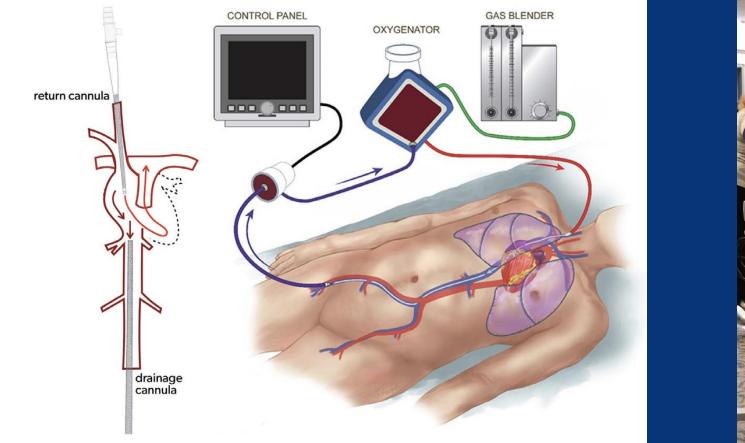
ARDS represents nearly 1M patients in ICU and 40% die

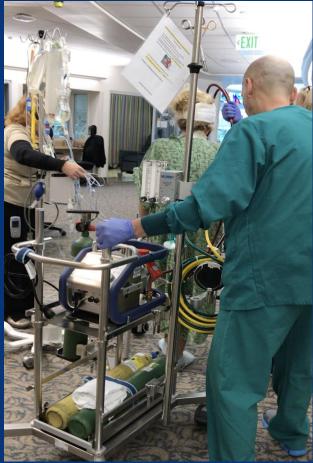
iNKTs home to lung, dampen inflammatory cytokines (IL-1 & IL-6), clear virus, and may prevent reinfection

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## VV-ECMO is LUNG BYPASS





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Saint John's Health Center # Providence Gajkowski, Evan F., et al. "ELSO guidelines for adult and pediatric extracorporeal membrane oxygenation circuits." *ASAIO Journal* 68.2 (2022): 133-152.

### agenT-797 (allogeneic unmodified iNKTS) in subjects with moderate to severe acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) secondary to SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19)

- All participants to receive a single infusion of agenT-797 in doses of 100, 300, 1000, × 10<sup>6</sup> cells
- Subjects were eligible if they were infected with a diagnosis of moderate to severe ARDS secondary to SARs-Cov-2 or influenza per Berlin Definition (2012)

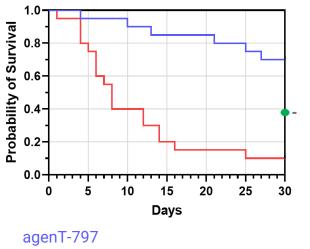
**Patient Demographics** 

Variable	Cohort 1	Cohort 2	Cohort 3	Total
agenT-797 dose level (cells)	100 X 10^6	300 X 10^6	1000 X 10^6	
Subjects dosed (n)	3	4	13	20
Age				
Median (range)	67 (66-77)	71.5 (64-75)	62 (26-75)	66.5 (26-77)
Sex, n (%)				
Male	2 (66.7)	1 (25.0)	7 (53.8)	10 (50.0)
Female	1 (33.3)	3 (75.0)	6 (46.2)	10 (50.0)
Patient disposition				
Early Discontinuation	0	1 (25.0)	5 (38.5)	6 (30.0)
Death	0	1 (25.0)	5 (38.5)	6 (30.0)



# agenT-797 Shows Improved Survival and Favorable Safety Profile in Severe ARDS

70% Survival Compared to 10% Case Control

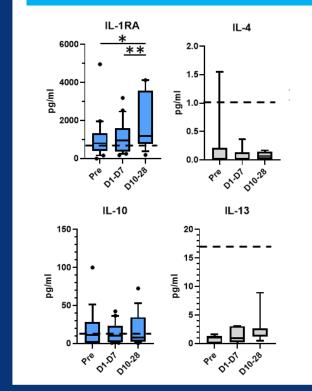


Comparative control

Reduced Incidence of Secondary Infections, including Pneumonia

N (%)	Dose Level 1 (n=3)	Dose Level 2 (n=4)	Dose Level 3 (n=13)
Pneumonia	2 (67)	3 (75)	2 (15)
Bacteraemia	2 (67)	0	1 (8)
Urinary tract infection	0	3 (75)	1 (8)
Fungaemia	0	1 (25)	1 (8)
Cytomegalovirus viraemia	0	0	1 (8)
Lung abscess	1 (33)	0	0
Pneumonia klebsiella	0	1 (25)	0
Sepsis	1 (33)	0	0
Septic shock	0	0	1 (8)
Upper respiratory tract infection	1 (33)	0	0

Increased Anti-Inflammatory Response



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# agenT-797 is Well Tolerated With Potential for Redosing

#### **No DLTs and Few Related AEs**

N (%)	All doses (n=20)
Any AE grade $\geq$ 3	19 (95)
Any TRAE grade ≥ 3	1 (5)
Any TRAE leading to discontinuation	0 (0)
Any TRAE leading to dose interruption	0 (0)
Any TRAE leading to death	0 (0)

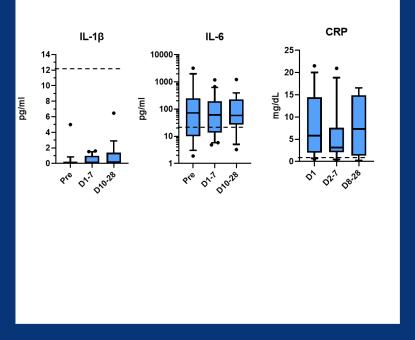
- Most TEAEs were grade 1, 2 and consistent with severe Covid19/ARDS (anemia, fever, acute kidney injury)
- One grade 4 TRAE of dyspnea

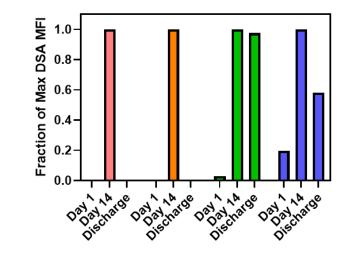
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#### No Cytokine Release Syndrome

**Transient Antibody Response Suggests Redosing Potential** 







## INKT Therapy Shifting the Paradigm for Critical Infections

- Severe lung infections induce hyper-inflammation causing life-threatening disorders
- iNKT cells improve the disease course in severe viral infections of the lung
  - Destroy immunosuppressive MDSCs
  - Improve anti-viral immune responses
  - Reduce injury of the lung by limiting infiltration of inflammatory monocytes
  - Aid the clearance of viral infection-associated secondary bacterial pneumonia
- In severe COVID-19 the activation level of iNKT cells is predictive of clinical outcomes
- iNKT cells show resilience in the face of therapeutic steroids (dexamethasone in COVID-19) and potentially other immunotherapies (Cellcept in lung transplantation)
- Observations suggest that INKTs are "intelligent"; customizing a local response on contact



# R&D 2 DAY

#### agenT-797 Biosignatures in Solid Tumors and COVID-19/ARDS

#### **Marco Purbhoo**

Director Translational Research MiNK Therapeutics



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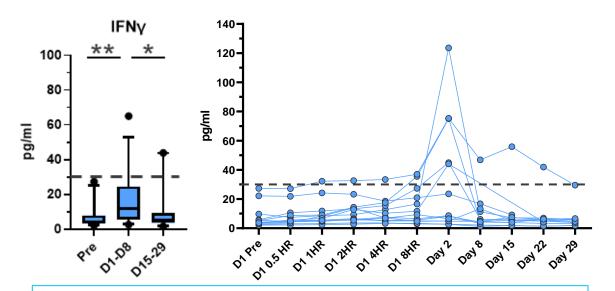
- agenT-797 represents a balanced iNKT cell-based drug product capable of responses across the pro- and anti- inflammatory spectrum
- In solid tumors an anti-inflammatory tumor microenvironment suppresses immune cell infiltration and activation →Pro-inflammatory iNKT response
- In viral-associated ARDS dysregulated hyperactivated immune responses result in acute injury of the lung

 $\rightarrow$  Anti-inflammatory iNKT response



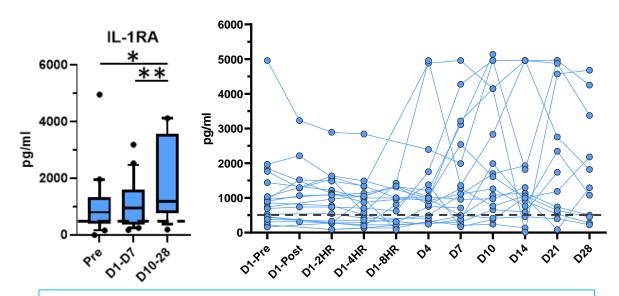
#### agenT-797 Biosignatures in Solid Tumors and COVID-19/ARDS

agenT-797 shows Pro-inflammatory signature in patients with Solid Tumors



Detection of key iNKT cell effector cytokine (IFN $\gamma$ ) consistent with rapid iNKT activation in the solid tumor setting and initiation of iNKT driven Th1 immune responses, including Dendritic cell activation and T cell/NK cell tumor recruitment.

agenT-797 shows anti-inflammatory signature in patients with ARDS



Enhancement of key anti-inflammatory cytokine (IL-1RA) levels suggests activation of mechanisms to downregulate the dysfunctional, hyperactivated immune response underlying viral-associated ARDS.





## Lydia Lynch, PhD

#### Scientific Advisory Board Member, MiNK

- Director of the Metabolic Core and Principal Investigator of Lynch Lab Harvard Medical School.
- Associate Professor of Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School.

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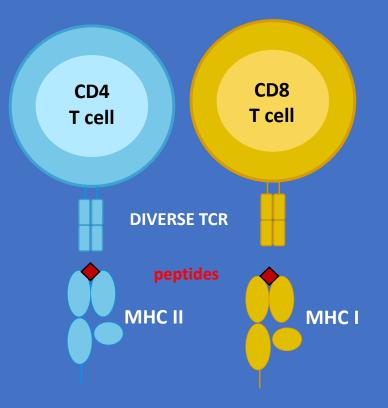
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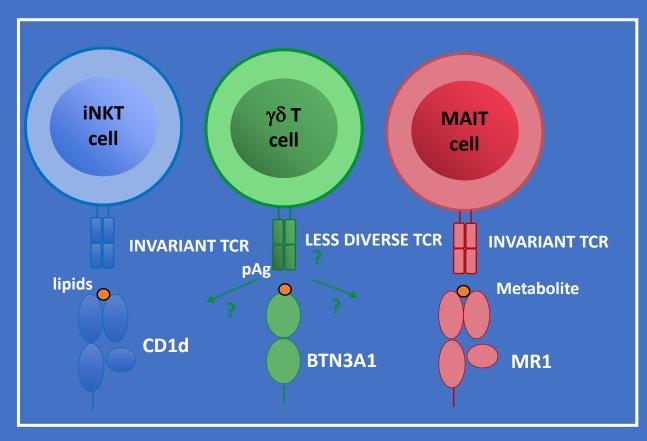




## The Key Drivers and Regulators of Immunity – a Perspective

Innate T cells are an unappreciated, and understudied regulator in the body





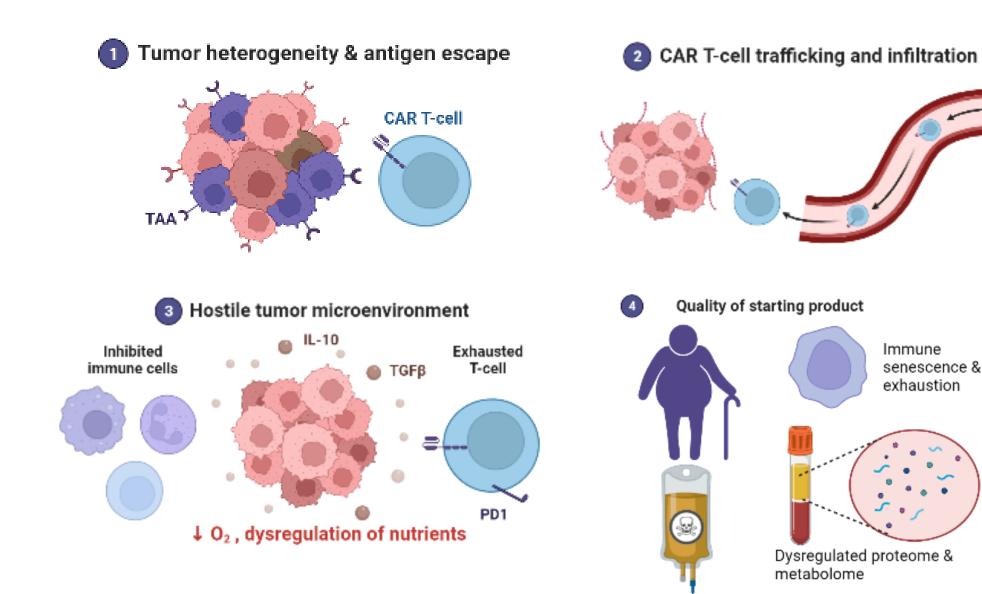
#### Some reasons for limited success of ACT for solid tumors

Immune

senescence &

Side effects

exhaustion

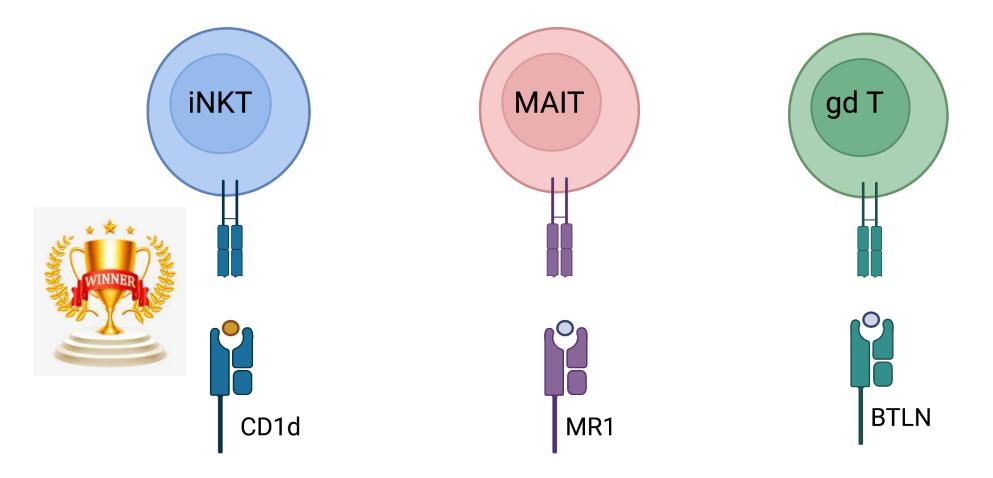


Features that make innate T cells a preferred choice for adoptive cell therapy

- Not MHC restricted V No GVHD, Off the shelf therapy
- Recognize stress
- Tissue resident
- Not circulating

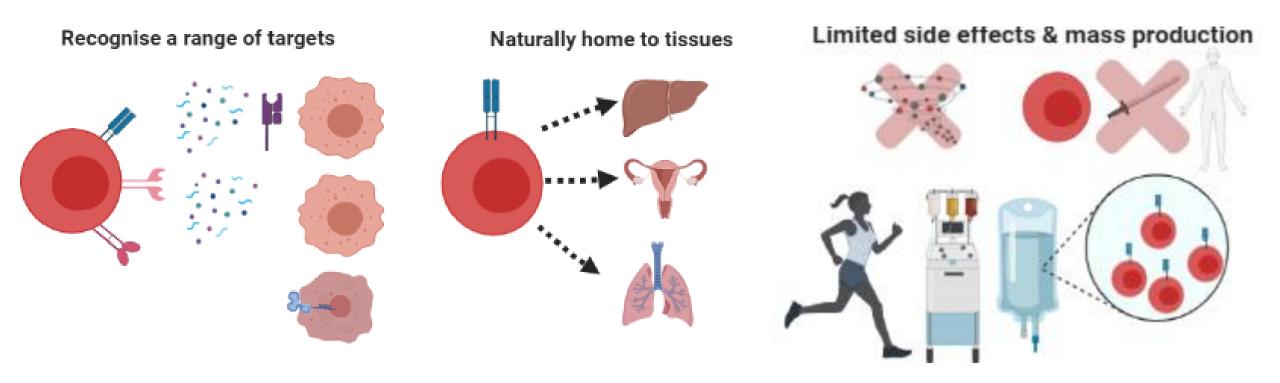
- ✓ No need to know antigen
- ✓ Natural homing to tissue
- ✓ Suited for the metabolic environment of tissue

#### Which innate T cell is best? Unbiased competition



Can kill in vivo Help other cells kill Known antigen – can expand Can kill Can produce IL-17 in tumors May require antigen Limited expansion Can kill No IL-17 in human tumor Dont require antigen Limited expansion

#### iNKT cells naturally address problems with current ACT



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MiNK Therapeutics have <u>demonstrated</u> how iNKT cells are an excellent choice for immunotherapy.

They have proven that their inherent features that we long suspected would be beneficial for ACT, actually are

How might we make them even better?

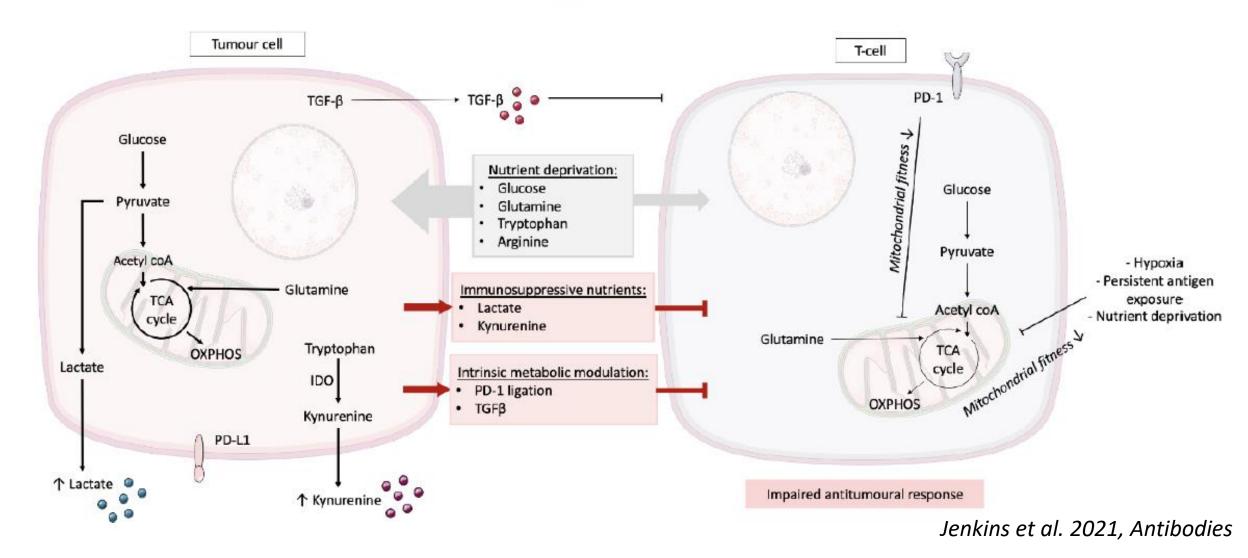
#### MiNK FAP-CAR-IL-15 iNKT Cell

### **BCMA CAR iNKT-Cell**

**CARDIS<sup>TM</sup> Platform** 

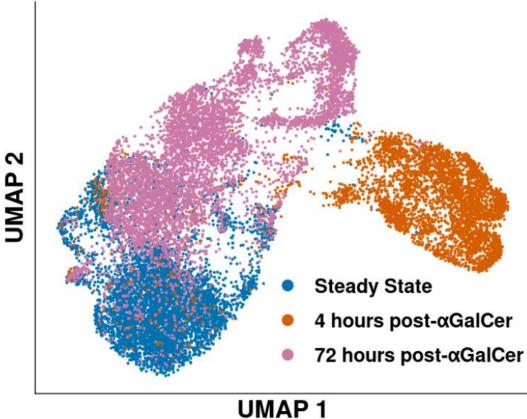
**Future Approach: Metabolic Reprogramming** 

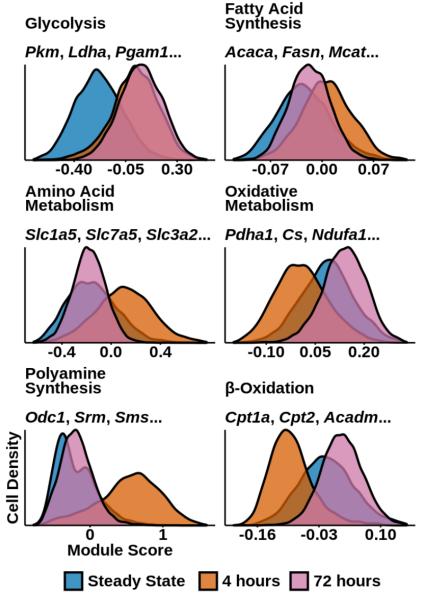
#### Mitochondrial fitness essential for tumor activity



#### Transcriptional and metabolic programs associated with iNKT subsets and states

scRNA Seq - 16,500 iNKT cells





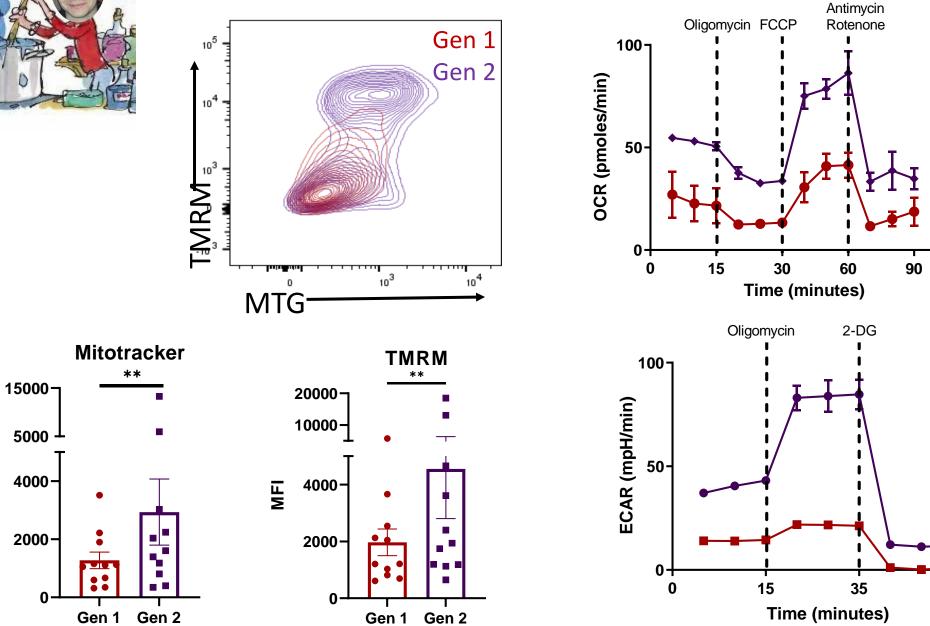
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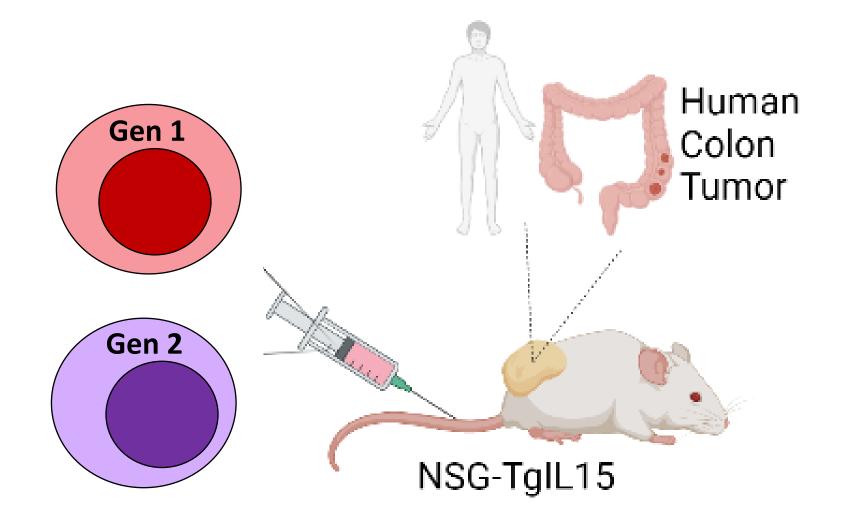
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## Improved metabolic fitness

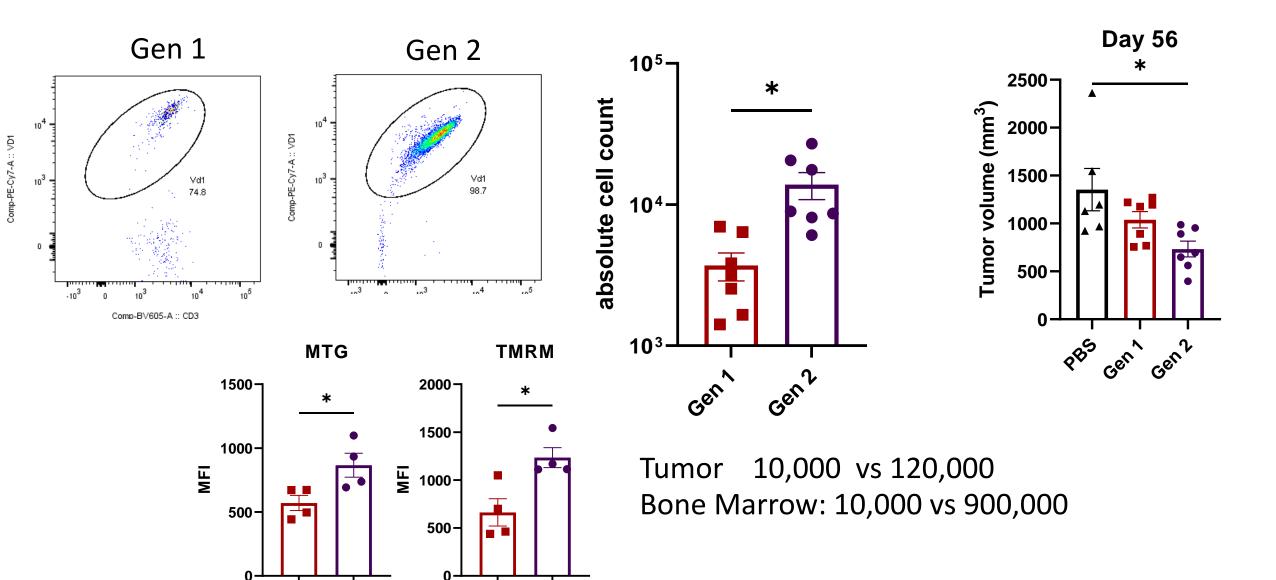
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# Gold standard test for both mitochondrial fitness and stability of phenotype is *in vivo*



### Gen 2 cells persist in tumor



Gen 2

Gen 1

Gen 1

Gen 2

#### iNKT cells are the Swiss Army Knife of the immune system

Graft Versus Host Disease

#### Metabolism

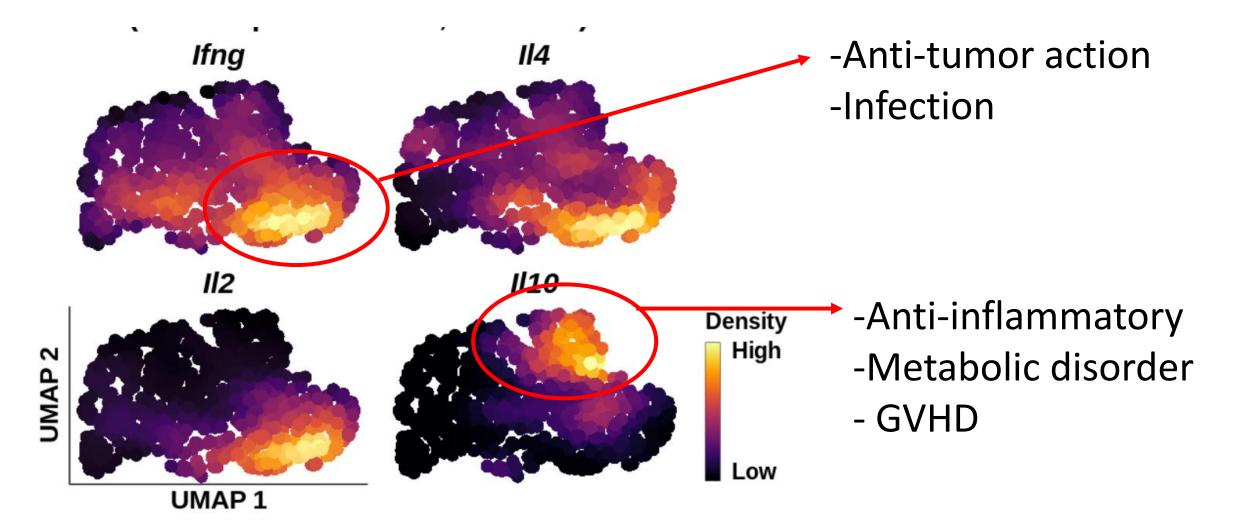
- Type 2 Diabetes
- Reduction of inflammation associated with obesity

#### Cancer

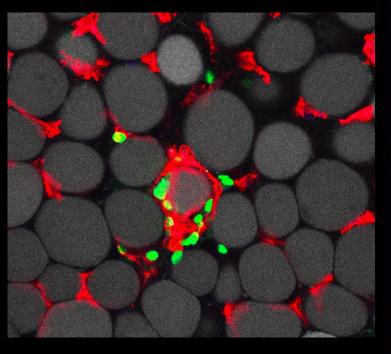
### Infection

Requirement for checkpoint efficacy

Weight and Energy Expenditure Harness transcriptional and metabolic programs associated with iNKT subsets for different conditions



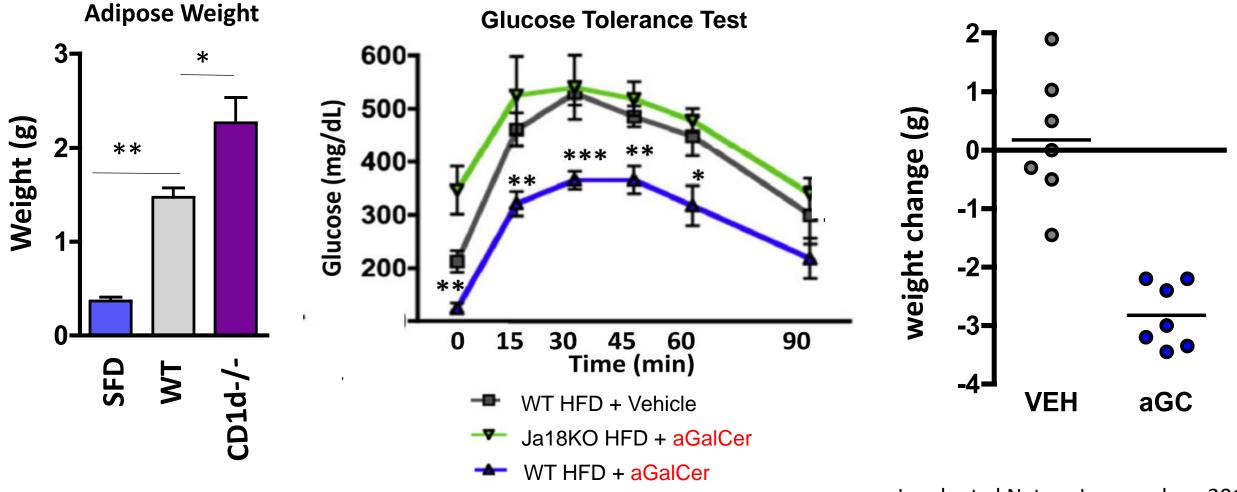
## iNKT cells patrolling adipose





iNKT cells

# Anti-inflammatory iNKT cells reverse metabolic disease in obesity



Lynch et al Nature Immunology 2015 Lynch et al Immunity 2012

# Innate iNKT cells



- Versatile
- Transactivate of other cells
  - Conductor of the immune orchestra
- Can be expanded
- Can be manipulated for distinct functions





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