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# GENERATION OF OFF-THE-SHELF TCR-LESS CAR T CELLS FROM RENEWABLE PLURIPOTENT CELLS

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# THE RISE AND APPROVAL OF CAR T-CELL THERAPY



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Human T-lymphocyte cytotoxicity and proliferation directed by a single chimeric TCRζ /CD28 receptor

John Maher, Renier J. Brentiens, Gertrude Gunset, Isabelle Rivière, and Michel Sadelain\* © 2002 Nature Publishing Group http://biotech.nature.com Leading Edge **Bench to Bedside** Cell CD19 CAR T Cells Michel Sadelain Center for Cell Engineering, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center (MSKCC), New York, NY 10065, USA Correspondence: m-sadelain@ski.mskcc.org http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.cell.2017.12.002 2nd-generation CD28 T cell Antibody CAR receptor Autologous CAR therapy T cell CAR T cells are infused

CAR



**FDA News Release** 

#### FDA approval brings first gene therapy to the United States

CAR T-cell therapy approved to treat certain children and young adults with B-cell acute

# FDA approves CAR-T cell therapy to treat adults with certain types of large B-cell lymphoma

Yescarta is the second gene therapy product approved in the U.S.

(tisagenlecleucel) Suspension for IV infusion



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following conditioning

chemotherapy that enhances function and expansion

#### **CAR T-CELL THERAPY –** GENERATION 1.0

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Impaired Starting Material | Random & Variable T-Cell Engineering | Complex Logistics Single Dose Paradigm | Heterogeneous Drug Product | Expensive

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# CAR T-CELL THERAPY – THE OFF-THE-SHELF VISION

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Adapted from: Themeli, Riviere & Sadelain, Cell Stem Cells, 2015

## **CAR T-CELL THERAPY –** GENERATION 2.0

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Healthy Banked Starting Material | One-time Uniform iPSC Engineering | Scalable Logistics Multiple Dose Paradigm | Homogeneous Drug Product | Cost-Effective

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One-time Editing Event

Single iPSC



# WT TRAC TRAC-1928z Image: WT Image:

Genomic Assessment

#### Phenotypic Assessment

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# **PRODUCTION OF TCR-LESS CAR T CELLS** MASTER IPSC LINE FOR T-CELL PRODUCTION

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iProgenitor **iDouble Positive** iPSC iCD34 iT Cells T Cell T Cell 0.041 0.67 CD4 **A O** CD8a 50.7 <sup>10</sup> 10.079 99.9 <sup>∞</sup> 22.3 75.8 21 27 69.9 CD8b 10 SSEA4 CD4 CD34 CD7 40.6 10 10 10.053 24 09 0.79 CD43 104 **TRA181** CD8a CD8a CD5 = 100s / 1000s **Master iPSC Line Single Manufacturing Campaign** 1x10<sup>11</sup> TCR-less CAR T Cells Frozen Doses per Run

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#### FT819 – CAR19 ACTIVITY **RESPONSIVE | CYTOTOXIC | SPECIFIC**

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#### **Cytokine Production**



# Day 28 FT819 TRAC-iT CD19+ Day 28 FT819 TRAC-iT CD19-21 41 81 61 321 64 281

#### Antigen-specific Cytotoxicity



## **CONCLUSION / ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

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- CAR T cells can be robustly manufactured from a multi-point engineered master iPSC line
- The master iPSC line is self-renewing and can be used repeatedly without sourcing new donor material or re-engineering cells
- A single manufacturing campaign yields large quantities of CAR T cells
- We are developing FT819, an off-the-shelf T cell therapy which completely lacks TCR expression, has controlled CAR19 expression through TRAC insertion and has CD16 expression for ADCC
- FT819 is an off-the-shelf CAR T cell therapy with the potential to improve safety and efficacy, address antigen escape, broaden patient accessibility and reduce cost of manufacture and delivery





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