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National Institutes of Health Cell Therapy Production at the Biopharmaceutical Development Program, FNLCR











Months since Tisagenlecleucel Infusion

 No. at Risk

 Overall survival
 75
 72
 64
 58
 55
 40
 30
 20
 12
 8
 2
 0

 Event-free survival
 75
 64
 51
 37
 33
 19
 13
 8
 3
 3
 1
 0

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CAR-T Cell Therapy

- What is a CAR
 - Chimeric Antigen Receptor
- Retains the functionality of a Tcell with the antigen recognition properties of antibody
- Customized receptor
 - Extracellular antigen-binding domain
 - Intracellular signaling domain of T cells



Making a CAR-T Cell (autologous transplant)



- Apheresis, then select T-cells
- Stimulation and Transduction
- Expansion
- Lymphodepletion
- Infusion

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Traditional 'open' manufacturing production process



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DCTD/NCI Cell Therapy for Cancer at FNLCR

- Current open production platform has capacity and reproducibility challenges
- Reproducible manufacturing and testing results in reproducible science
- Use of closed system at FNLCR can support multi-center trials and/or tech transfer for point-of-care
- cGMP production capability for virus, plasmid, and cell products
- Collaborate with FDA, NIST, other stakeholders to standardize product testing





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CliniMACS[®] Prodigy – Automated Cell Processing System for GMP Cell Manufacturing



- Integrated cell processing from starting material to final cellular product:
 - Sample preparation
 - Cell washing & density gradient separation
 - MACS cell separation
 - Cell activation
 - Genetic modification
 - Cell culture
 - Final product formulation
- Enabling complex processes
 - Automated & controlled system
 - Closed single-use tubing set





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Decision Points and Progress to Date

Decision	Progress		
Use closed manufacturing system	Miltenyi Prodigies acquiredBDP staff trained		
Initiate process development in ISO7 cGMP space	 Prodigies installed in the BDP Virus Production Facility (VPF) 		
Tech transfer existing CAR T manufacturing and testing	 Tech transfer of CD19/CD22 CAR T-cells from Dept Transfusion Medicine NIH Clinical Center to BDP ongoing Assay development for product release ongoing 		
Manufacture CAR T for clinical trail	 Process development for CD33 CAR T-cell production initiated BDP is manufacturing site for CD33 CAR T-cell for pediatric AML trial sponsored by National Marrow Donor Program NCI PI is Dr. Narali Shah Multi-site trial will result in establishing centralized manufacturing logistics 		
Increase cell/virus production capacity	Renovations to B2300/B2310 initiated		

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Prodigy system has a small footprint in VPF



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BDP current capacity: 2 Prodigy units in BDP = 4 patients/month



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Plenty of space in VPF to add additional Prodigy units



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Scale of current workspace demonstrates space available to increase capacity

BDP Virus Production Facility (VPF)

- ISO7 manufacturing resource
- Independent HVAC
 system
- Locker rooms with unidirectional flow
- Fill/finish area



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Tech transfer: CD19/CD22 CAR T-cell production at BDP



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Anti-CD19/22 CAR T-Cell Manufacturing Tech Transfer Process Flow (9-day process)



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CD19/22 CAR T-cell Tech Transfer

Process Parameters	BDP Run 1 (Cryopreserved apheresis - HemaCare)	BDP Run 2 (Fresh apheresis - NIH CC)	NIH Clinical Center (n=4)
Total Nucleated Cells Pre-selection (x10 ⁹)	2.08	1.74	0.95 - 6.55
Total Nucleated Cells Post-selection (x10 ⁸)	6.36	5.31	2.8 - 26.0
T-cell Recovery Post-selection (%)	51	60	66 - 84
CD4 ⁺ /CD8 ⁺ Purity Post-selection (%)	94.6	101.4	>95
B-cell Density Post-selection (%)	1.2	0.5	0.2 - 0.3
Fold Expansion	23.2	29.9	8.8 - 16.9
Total Nucleated Cells (x10 ⁹)	2.77	3.29	1.01 - 1.88
Viable CD3 ⁺ (%)	99.6	99.7	>99
CD4 ⁺ /CD8 ⁺ ratio	0.74	1.64	1.5 - 2.5
B-cell Density Post-expansion (%)	0.3	0.0	0.0 - 0.1
Transduction Efficiency - Protein L (%)	74.7	65.4	54.6 - 76.5
Fransduced viable CD3 ⁺ (CAR ⁺) cells (x10 ⁹)	2.06	2.15	0.5 - 1.4

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CD19/CD22 CAR T-cell Transduction Efficiency similar to NIH DTM



- The DTM Protein L staining and flow cytometry protocol was followed.
- Flow cytometry was performed using a Miltenyi Biotec MACSQuant Analyzer 10

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Future planning

- DCTD/NCI Workshop on Cell Therapy for Solid Tumors, Dec 10-11, 2018.
 Guidance from cell immunotherapy community, FDA and other stakeholders for continued NCI investment prioritization.
- Convert B2300/B2310 labs into cell therapy production suite to re-utilize VPF for virus production. Renovations estimated for completion in Sept 2019.
- Gain experience in centralized manufacturing logistics for supporting multi-center clinical trials from the DCTD/BDP.
- BDP development of in-process and release testing SOPs for improved reproducibility and faster tech transfer to point-of-care options.

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Logistics of centralized cell therapy manufacturing will be developed in support of initial CD33 CAR T-cell trial for AML (Sponsor is NMDP, sites: NIH CC, CHOP, Colorado, UCLA)

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Summary

- Miltenyi Prodigy systems installed in BDP VPF, staff trained, units are under operation in ISO7 cGMP environment
- > Tech transfer of CD19/CD22 CAR T-cells from DTM/NIH CC to BDP ongoing
- Assay development is underway at the BDP for in-process and release assays supporting CAR T-cell production
- Renovation design for new cGMP suite completed, construction initiation expected Nov 2018
- > Upcoming DCTD/NCI workshop Dec 10-11, 2018



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Questions?

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