

A wide-angle, low-angle night photograph of a European town. In the foreground, there's a mix of modern and traditional architecture, including a building with a prominent red roof and a white building with a blue roof. In the background, a large, ornate Gothic-style church with multiple towers and spires is brightly lit from within, casting a warm glow against the dark sky. The overall atmosphere is vibrant and festive.

Advanced cell therapy

BHS Educational Session



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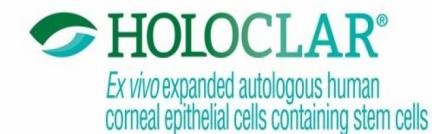
Advanced Therapy Medicinal Products (ATMPs)

Gene Therapy
Medicinal Products

Somatic Cell Therapy
Medicinal Products

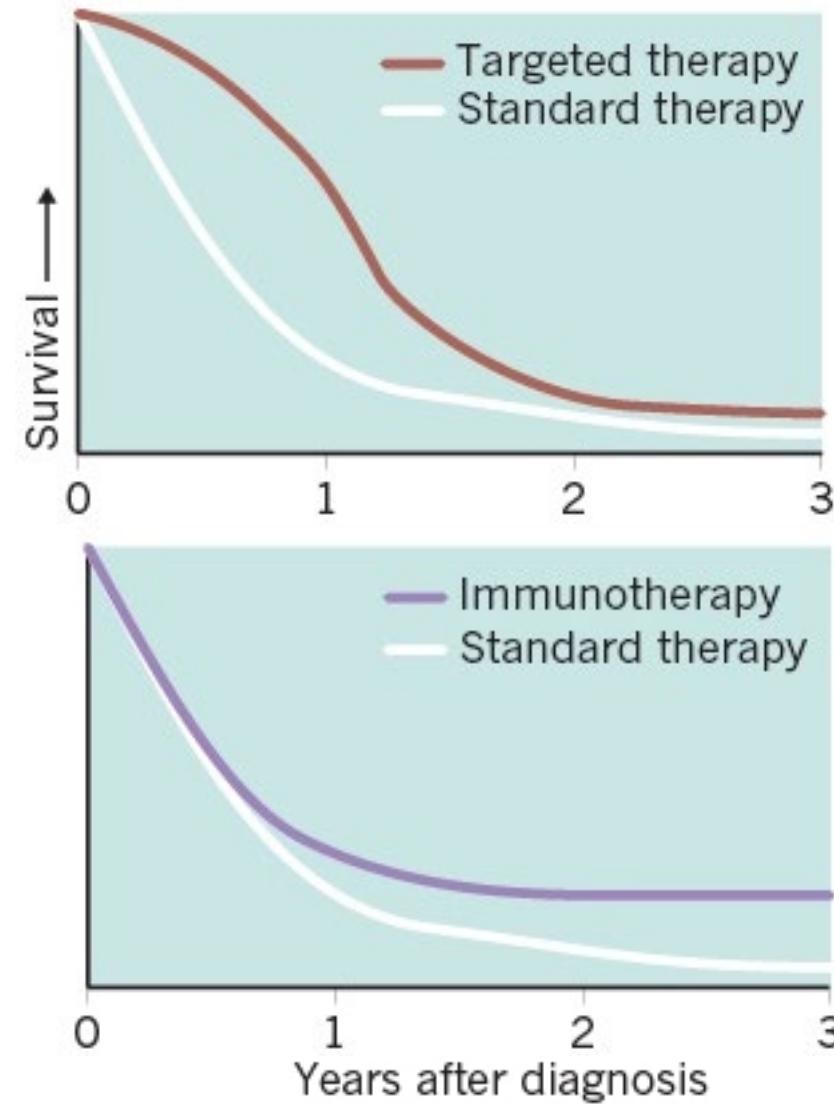
Tissue Engineering
Products

Genetically Modified Cells

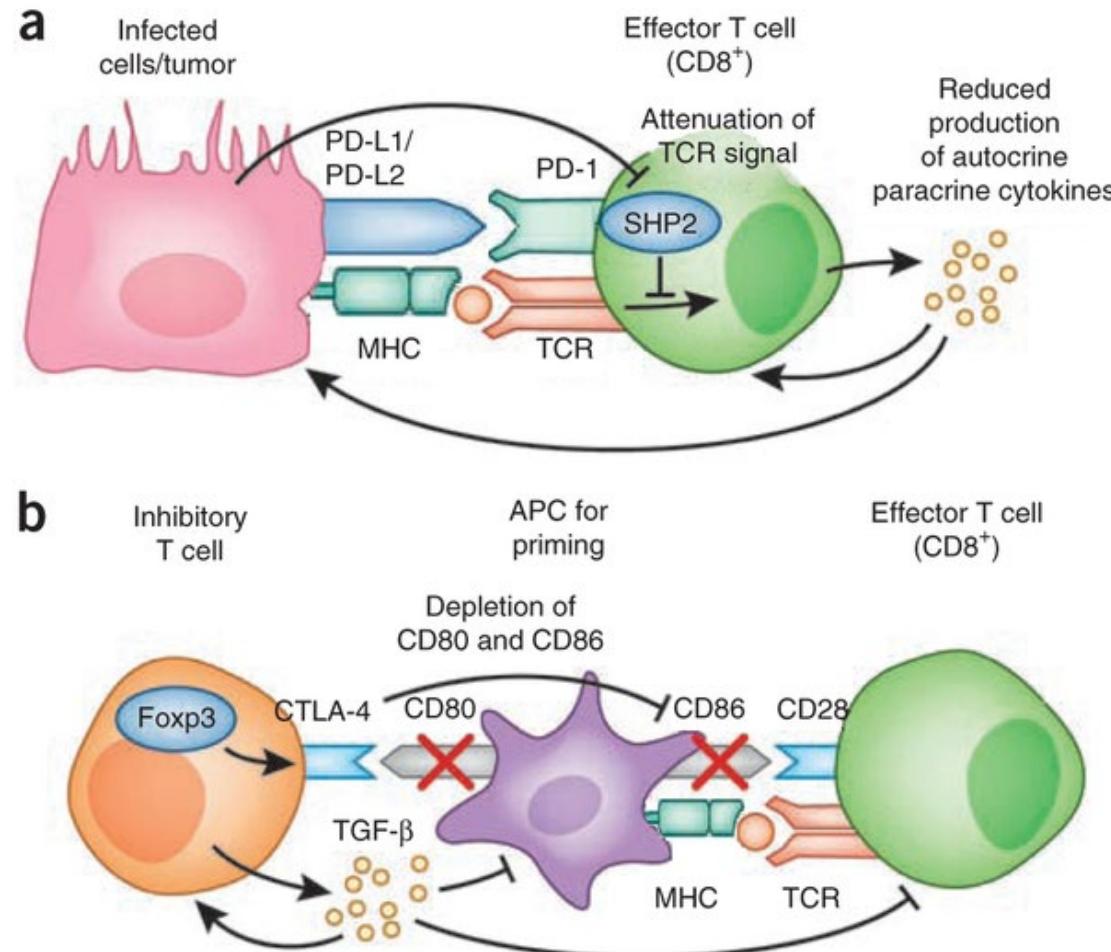


Treatment options for cancer

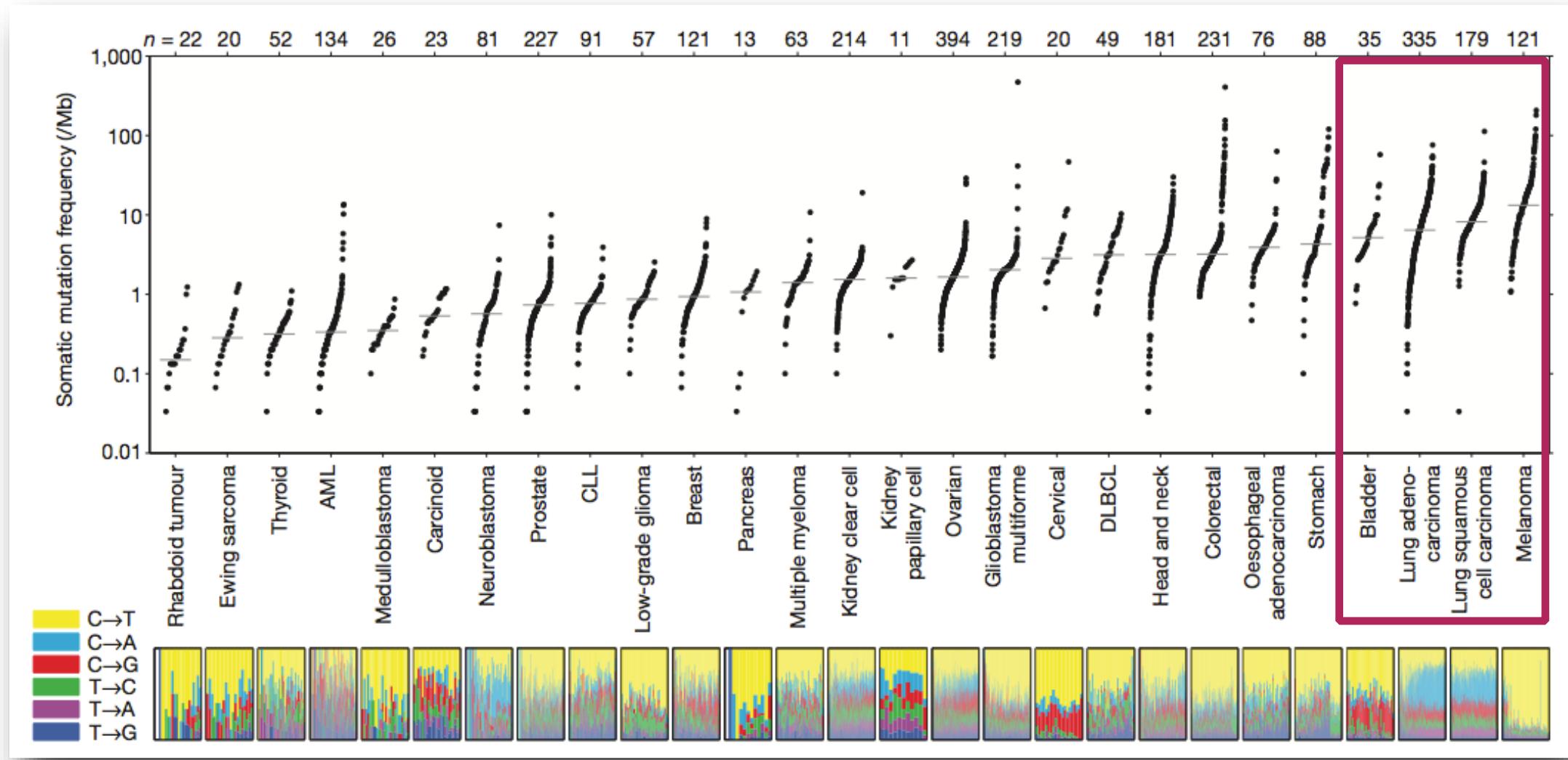
- Classic triad
 - Surgery
 - Radiotherapy
 - Chemotherapy
 - (Hormonal)
- New kids on the block
 - Targeted therapy
 - Immunotherapy



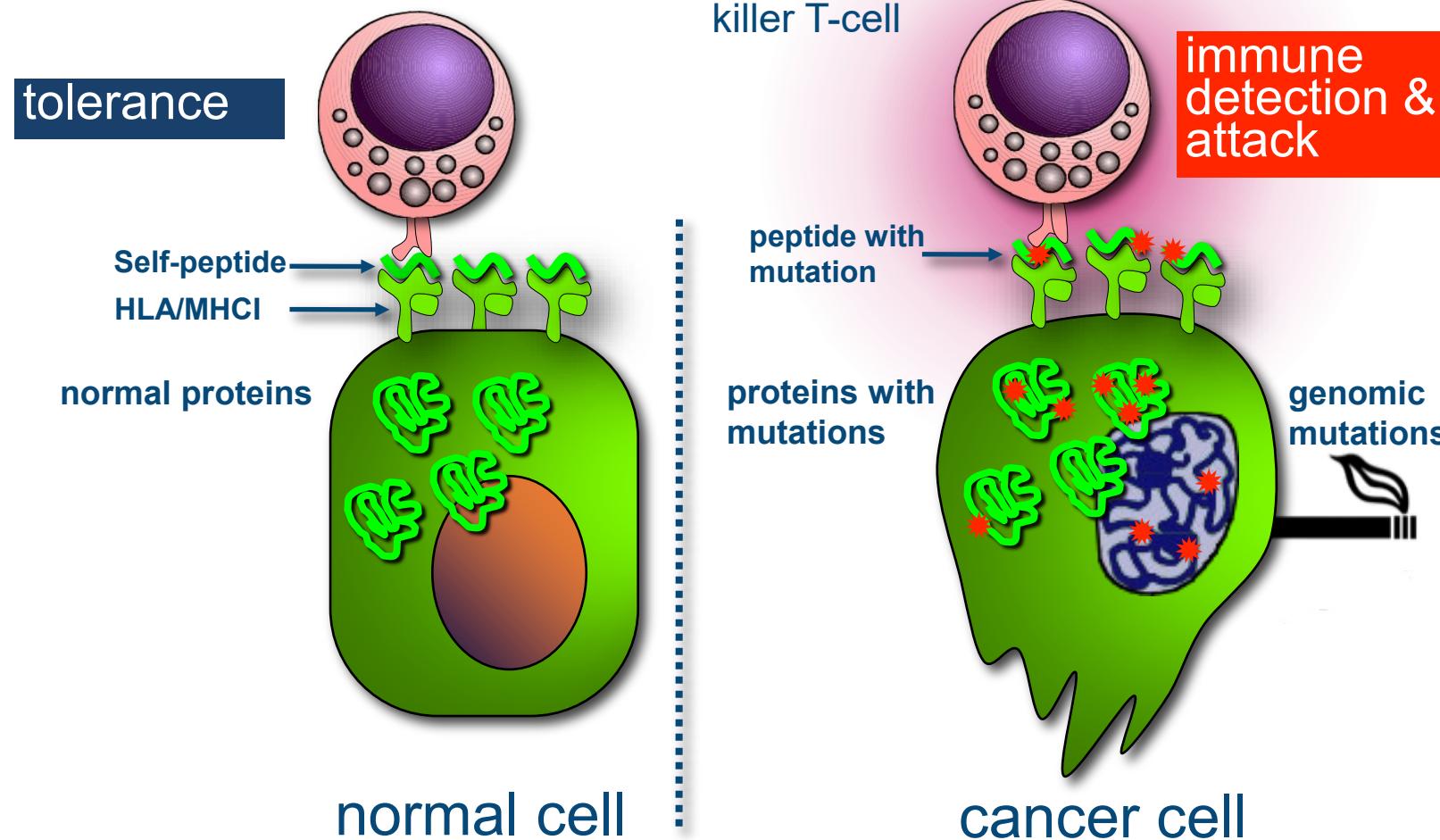
Part I Active immune therapy



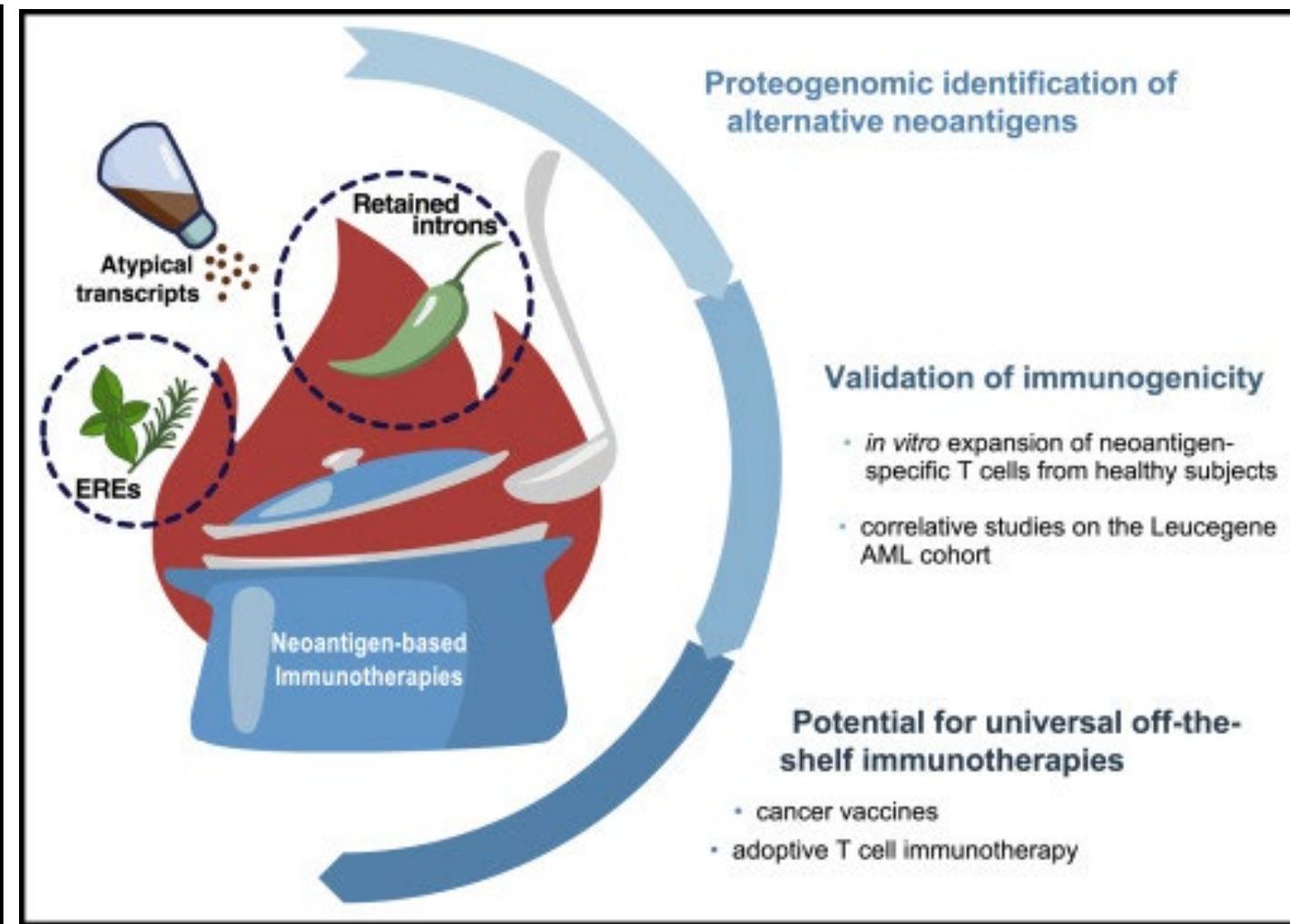
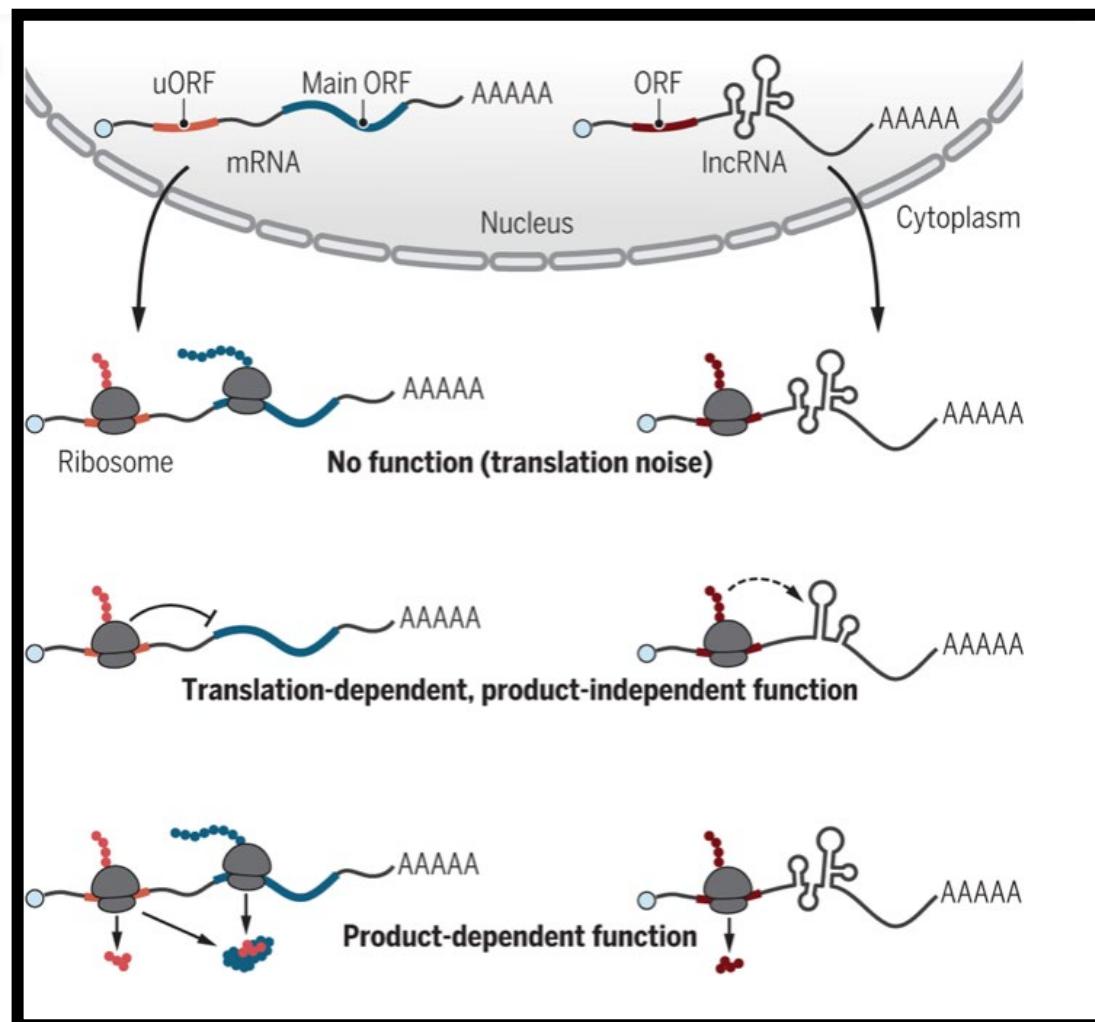
CANCER MUTATIONAL LOAD vs IMMUNOGENICITY



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EXPRESSION AND TRANSLATION OF SILENT DNA



Wei and Guo Science 2020
Ehx Immunity 2021

TUMOR-SPECIFIC ANTIGENS

MUTATIONS

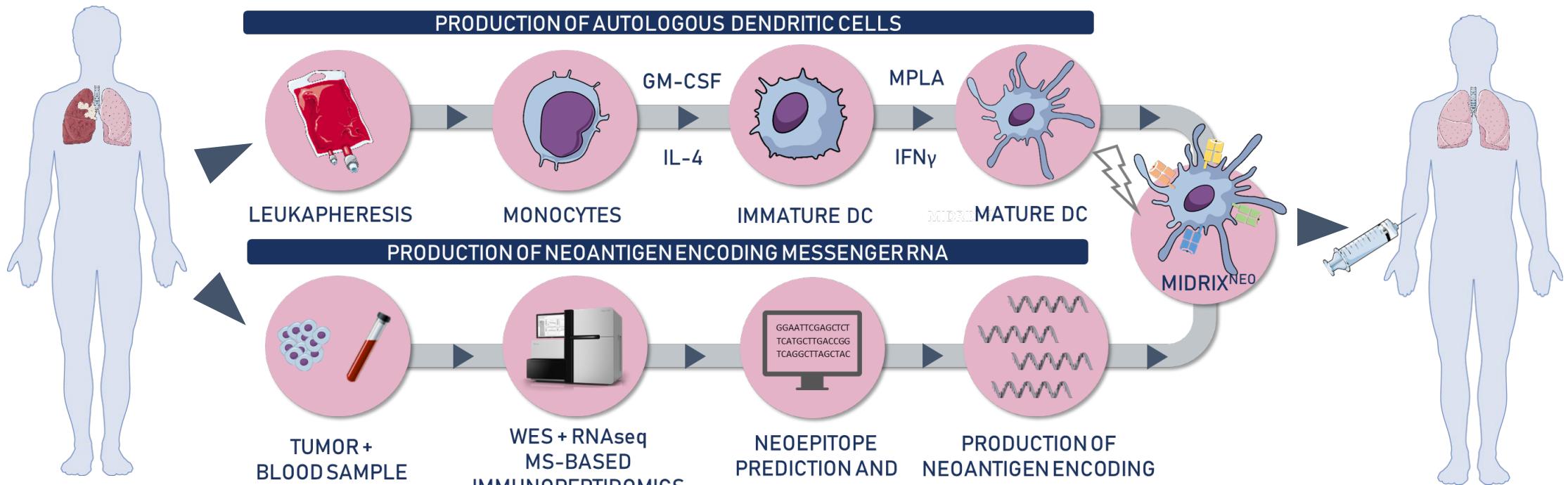
- Patient-specific
- Associated with favourable prognosis
- High expression
- Bind to MHC
- Immune “non-self”
- Immune responses
- Can induce remission

EPIGENETICS

- General expression
- ?
- Low expression
- Preferentially bind to MHC
- Immune “self” ?
- Immune responses ?
- Can induce remission ?



| MIDRIX^{NEO}: ATMP Design



6 patients with resectable NSCLC

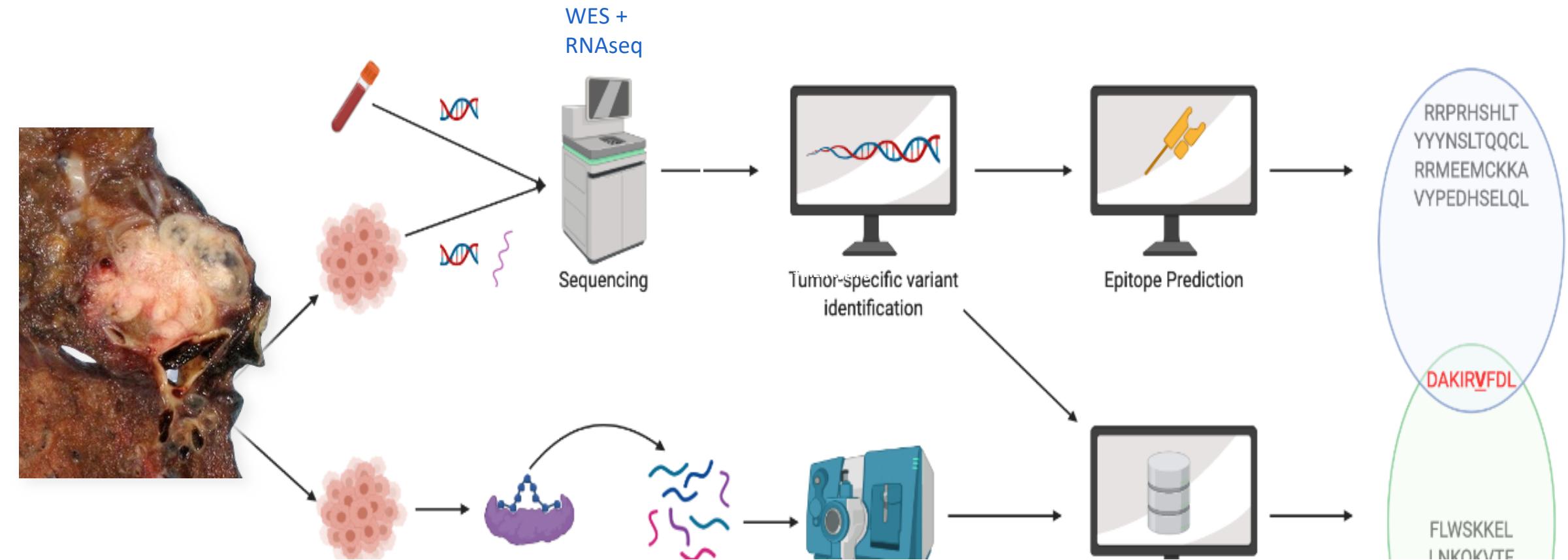
Intrapatient dose escalation
Dose 1 -> Dose 5
 10×10^6 DC -> 100×10^6 DC

MIDRIX^{NEO}-LUNG patient case 1808-05

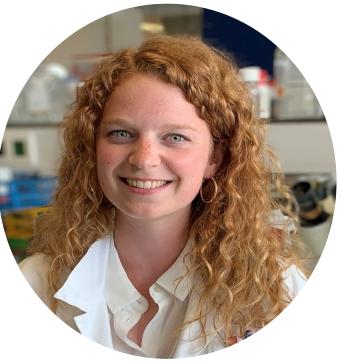


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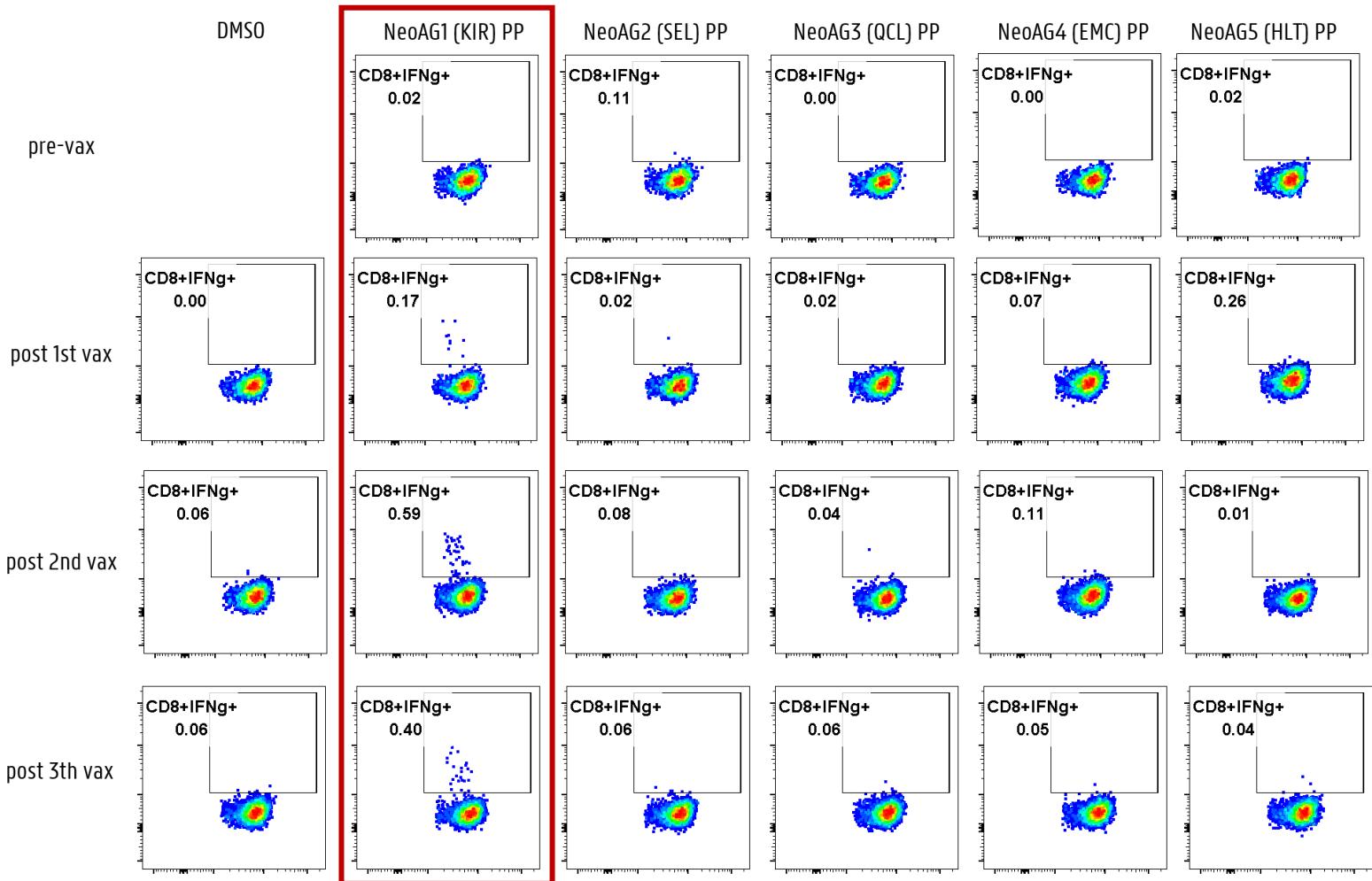
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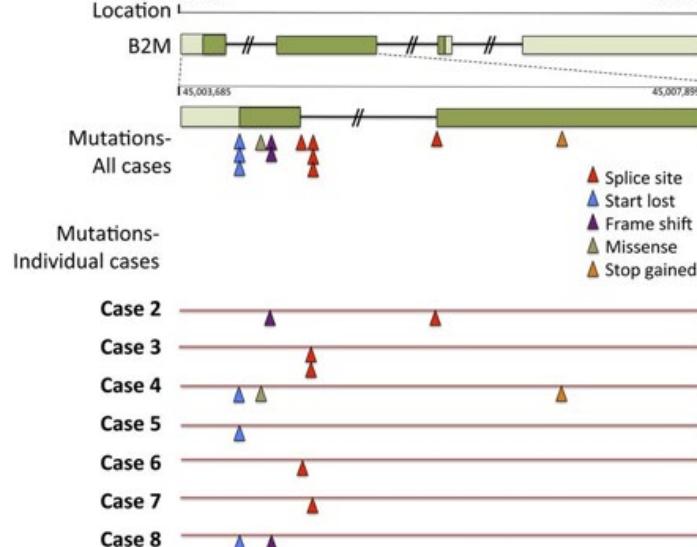
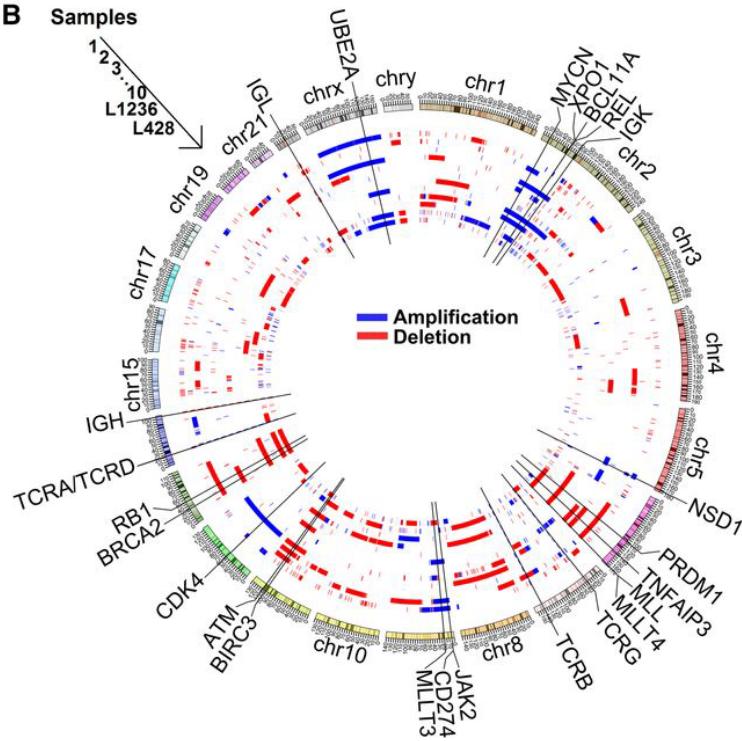


NB:

- no reactivity in TILs
- no CD4 responses in blood

Immune therapy : Hodgkin's Disease

B Samples



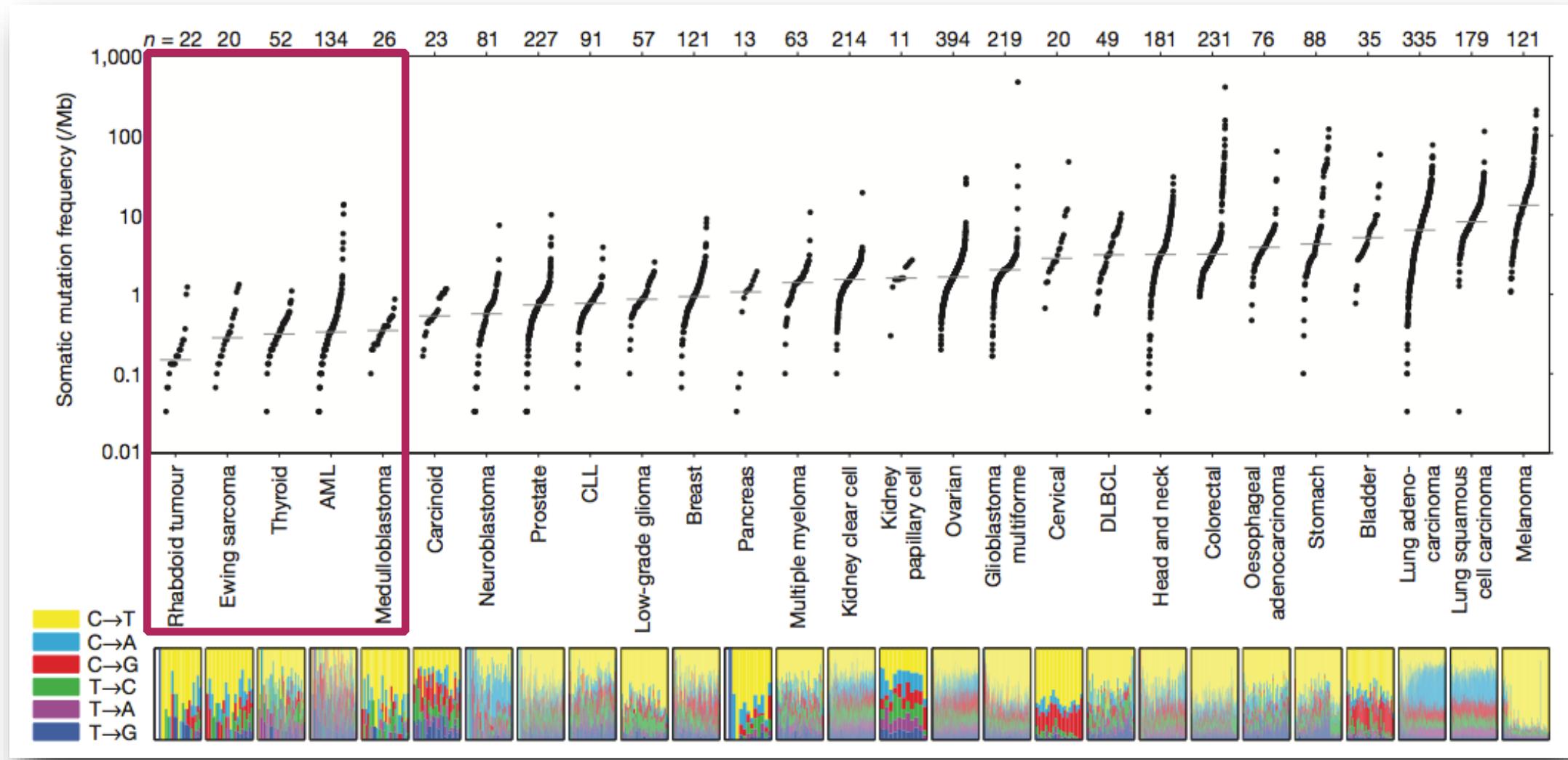
- Chemotherapy
- Immune checkpoint inhibitors
- Combination therapy

- CD30 CAR-T cells
- EBV-specific CTL

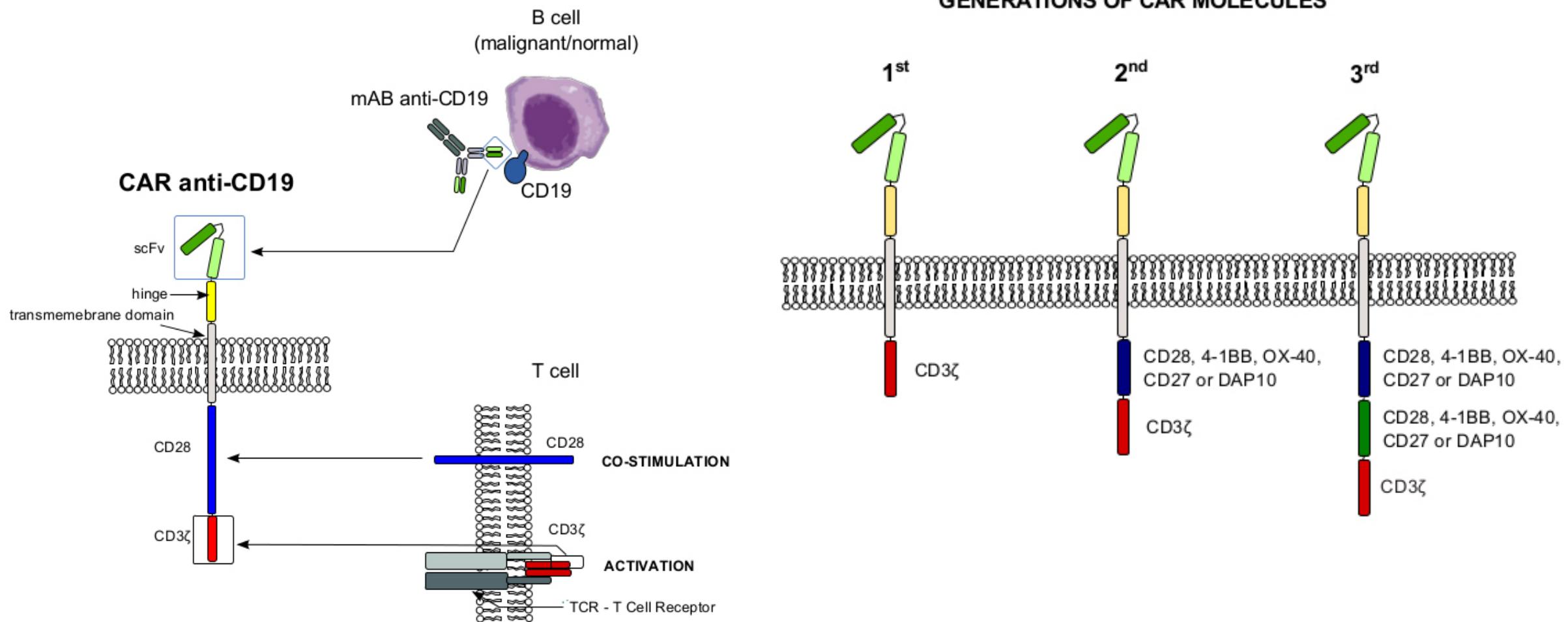
Part II Passive immune therapy



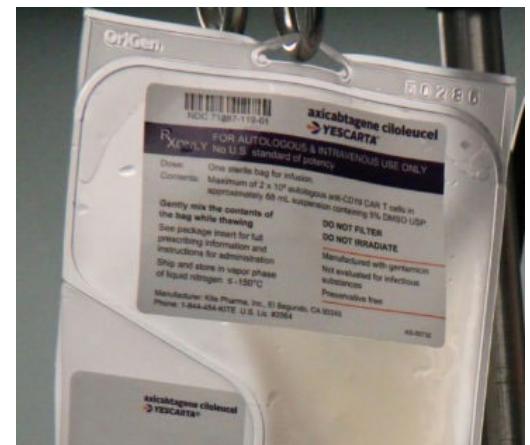
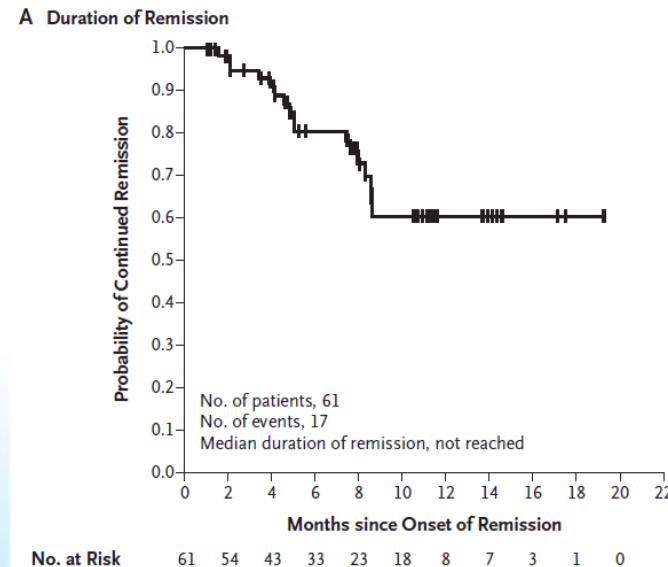
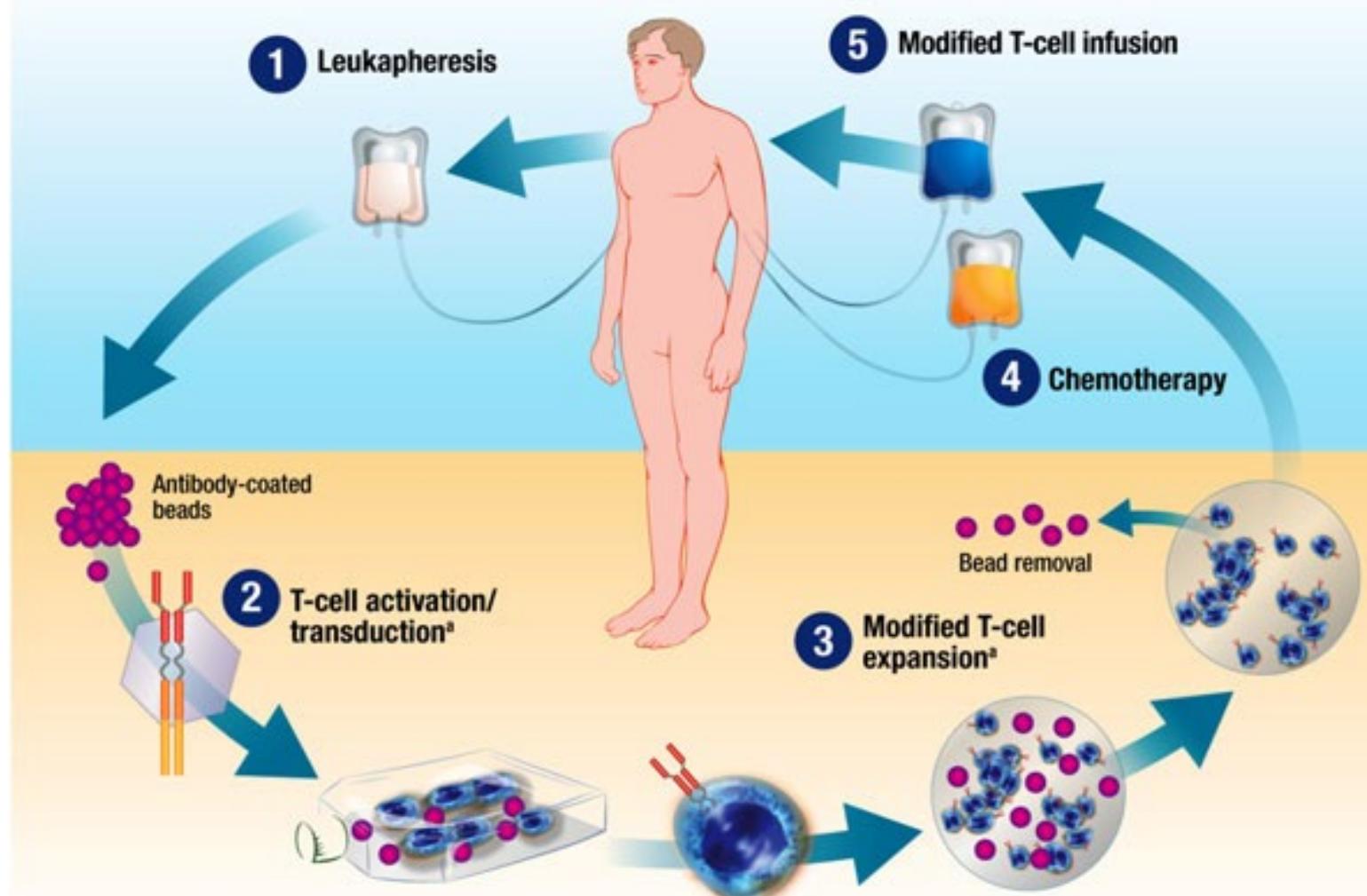
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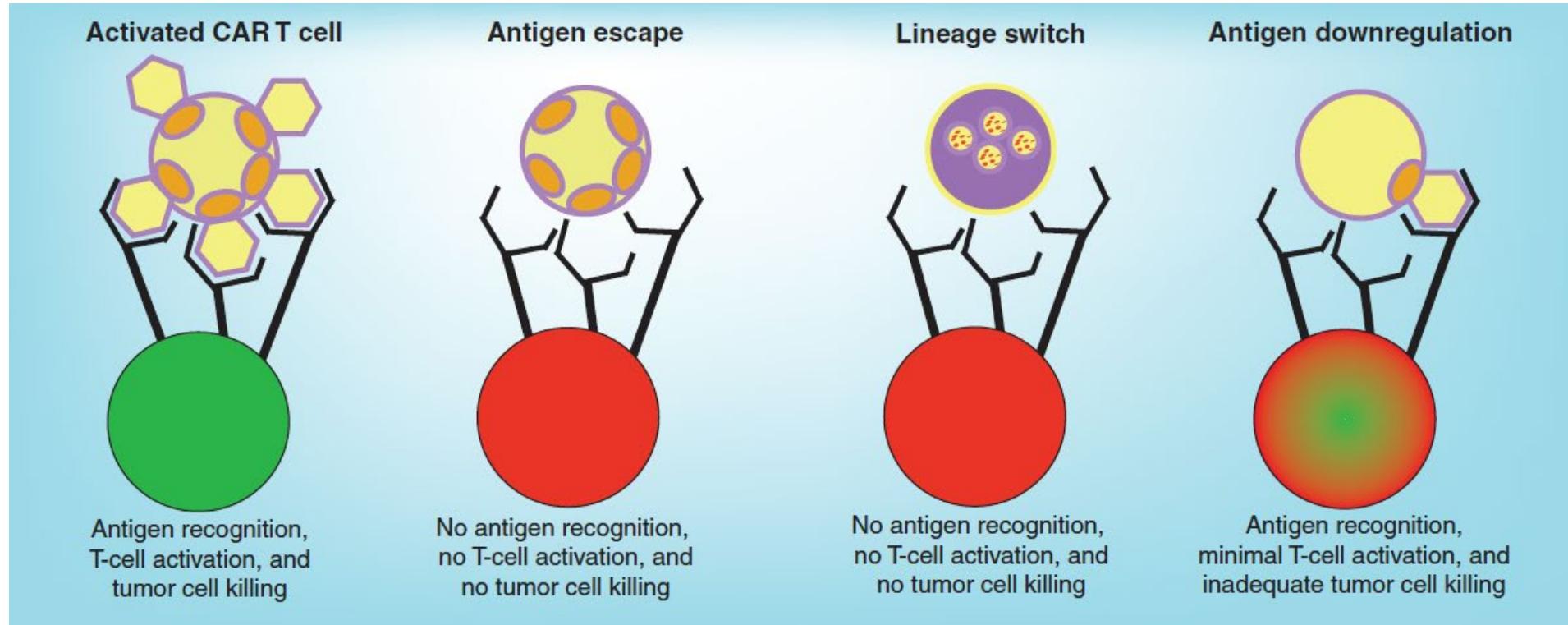
Chimeric Antigen Receptors



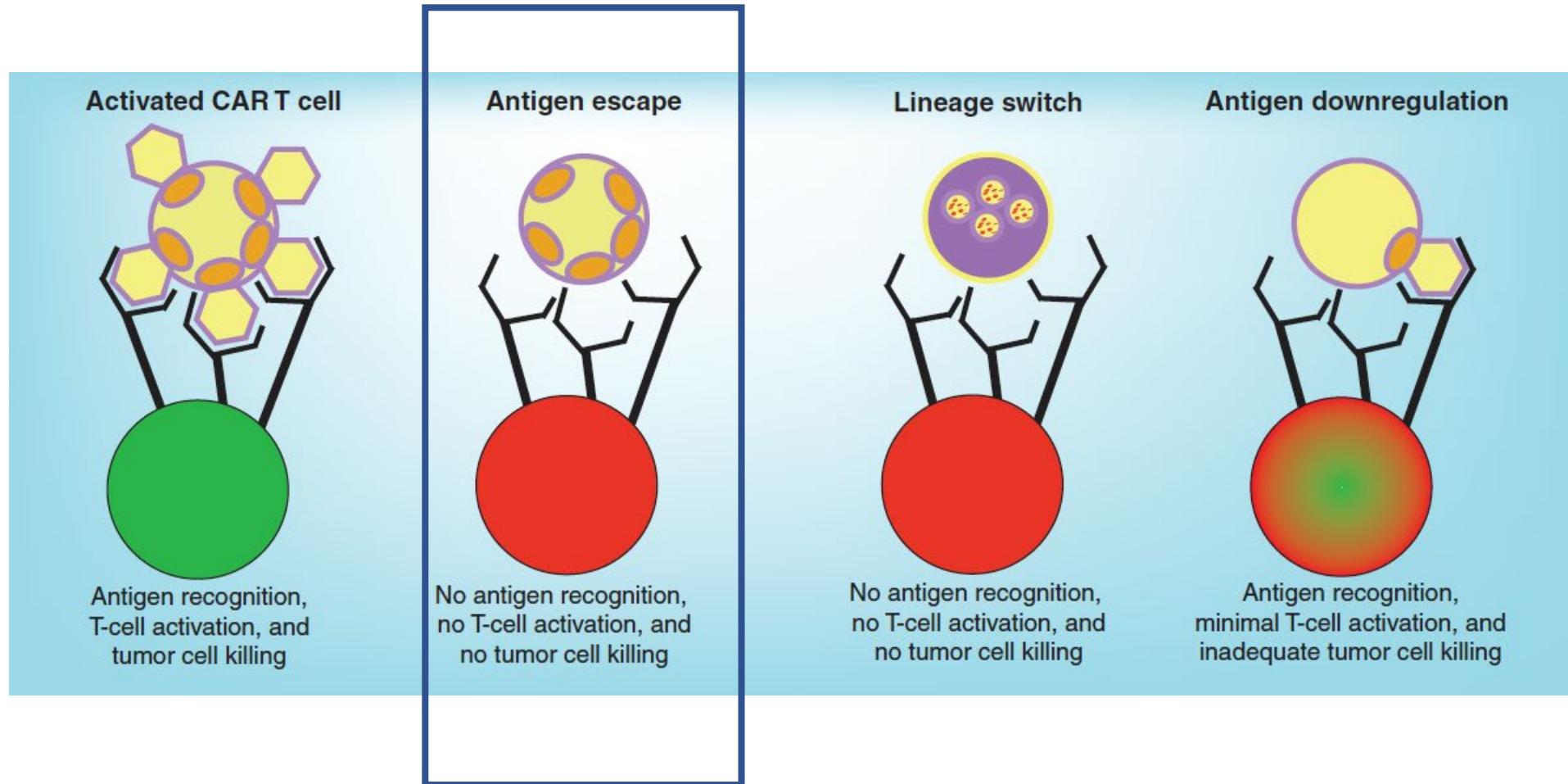
CAR-T Cell Therapy



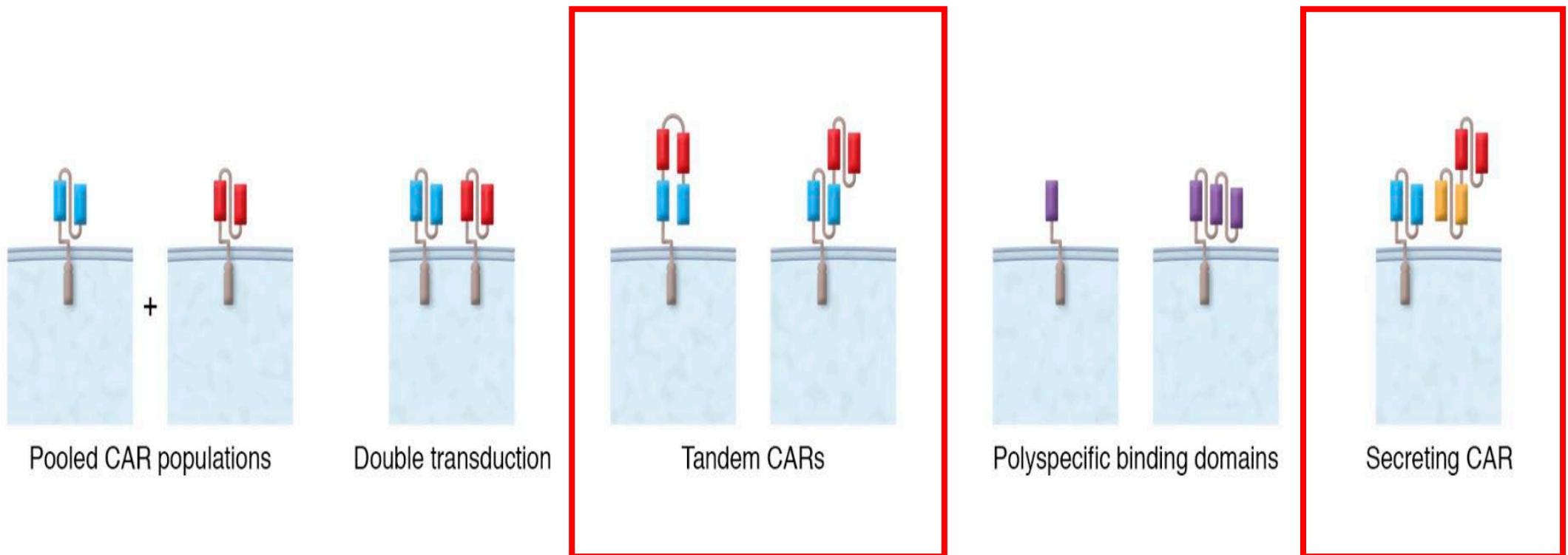
Antigen negative relapse



Antigen negative relapse

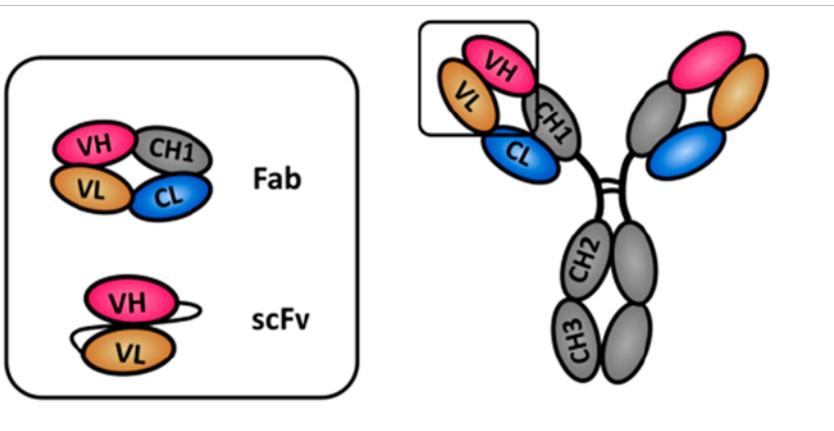


Dual-specific approaches

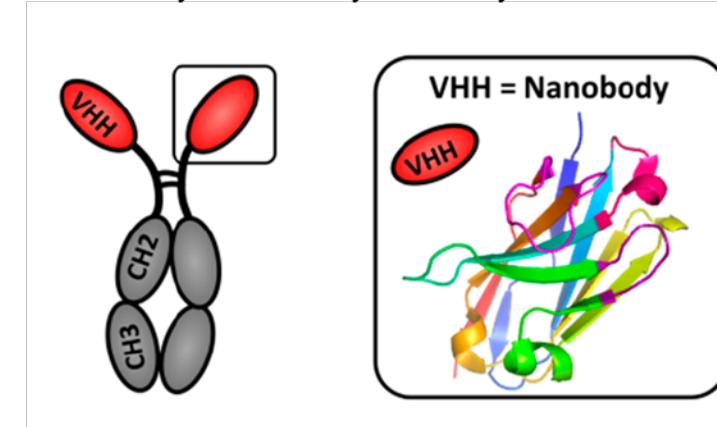


nanoCARs

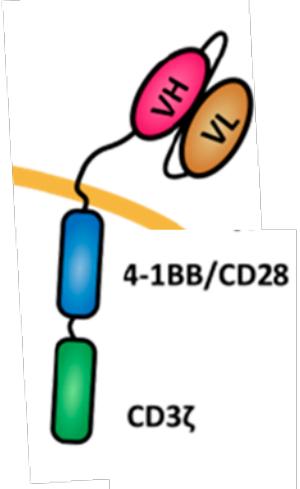
conventional antibody



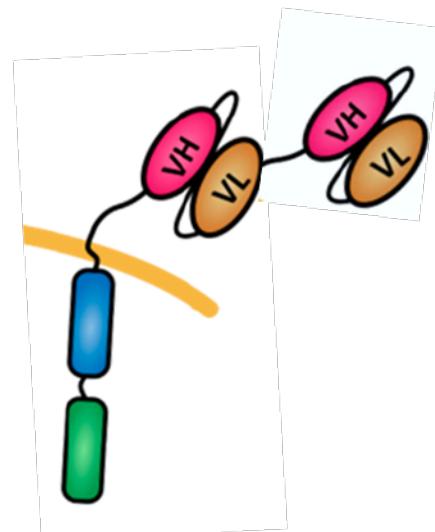
heavy chain only antibody



scFv based CAR



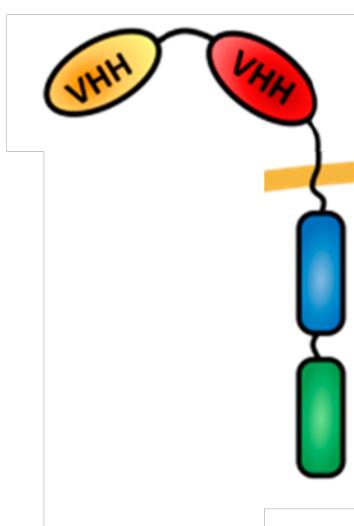
Tandem CARCAR



VHH based CAR nanoCAR



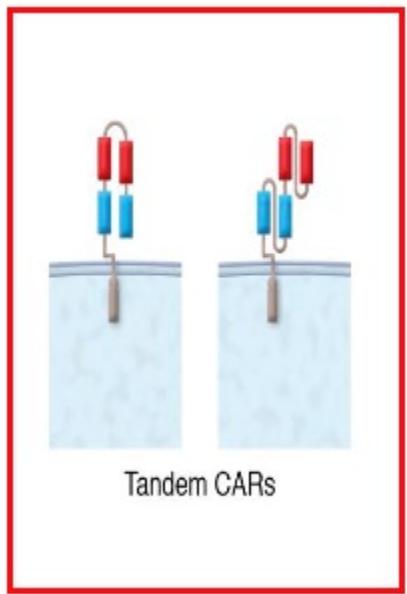
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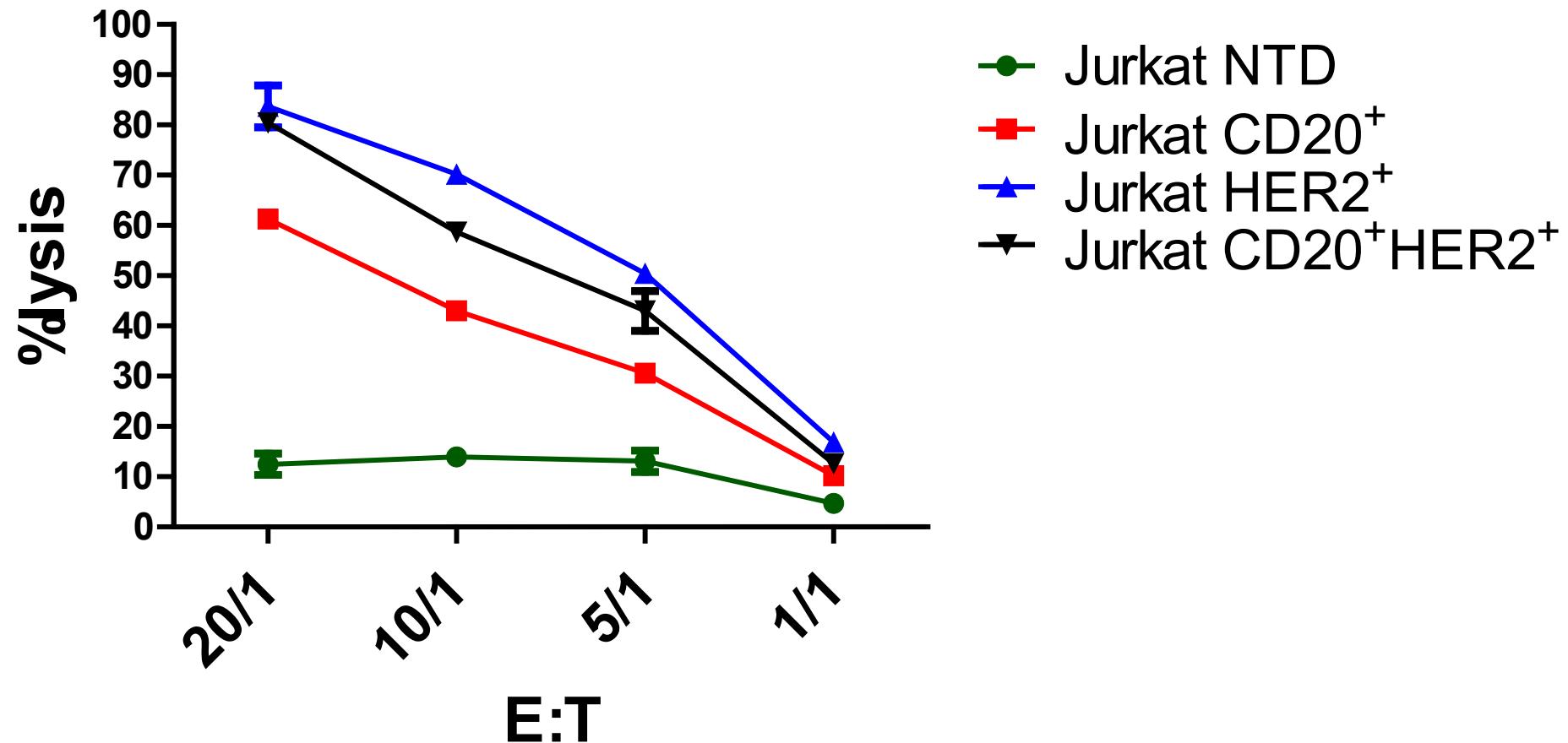
Dual-specific nanoCARs



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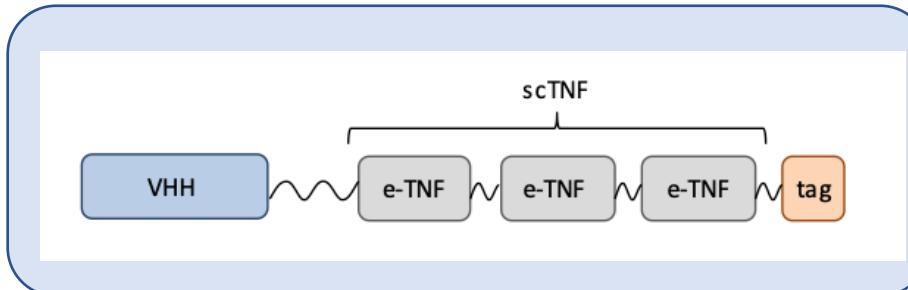


CD20-HER2 nanoCAR

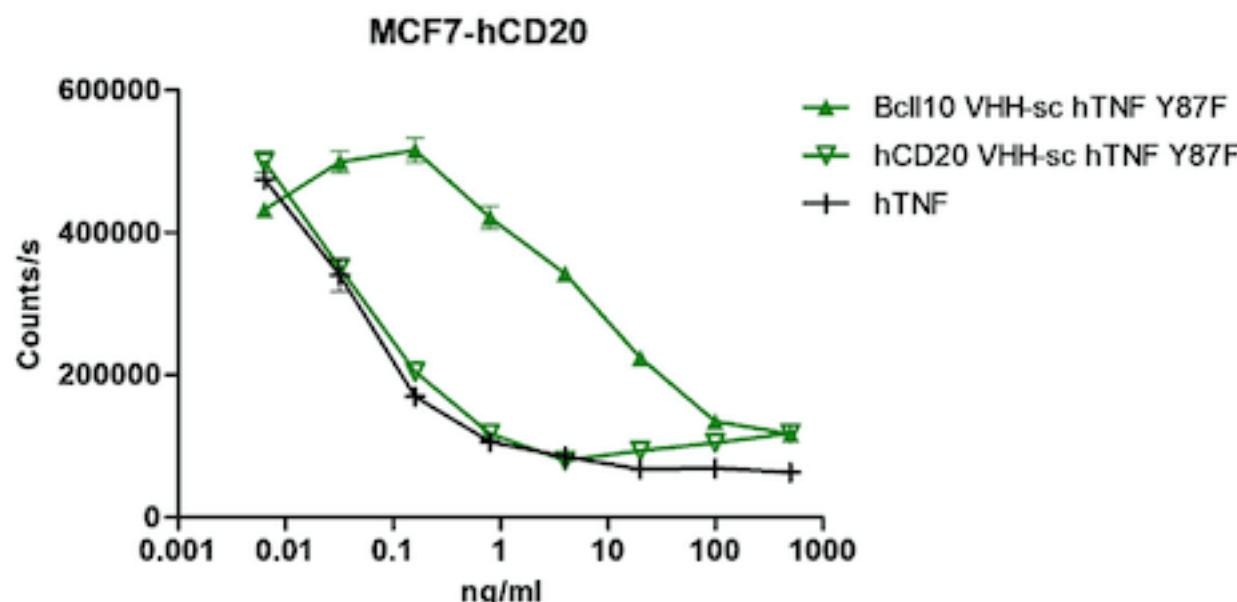
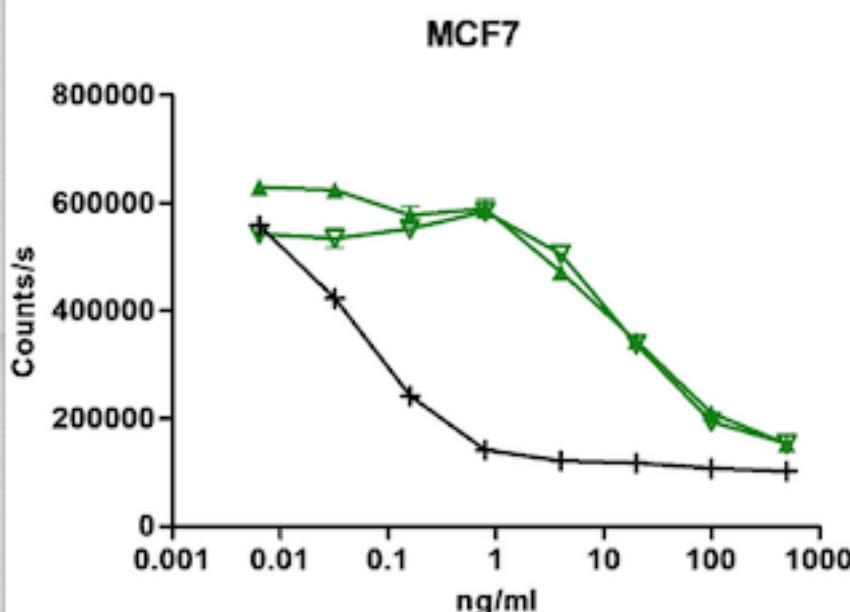




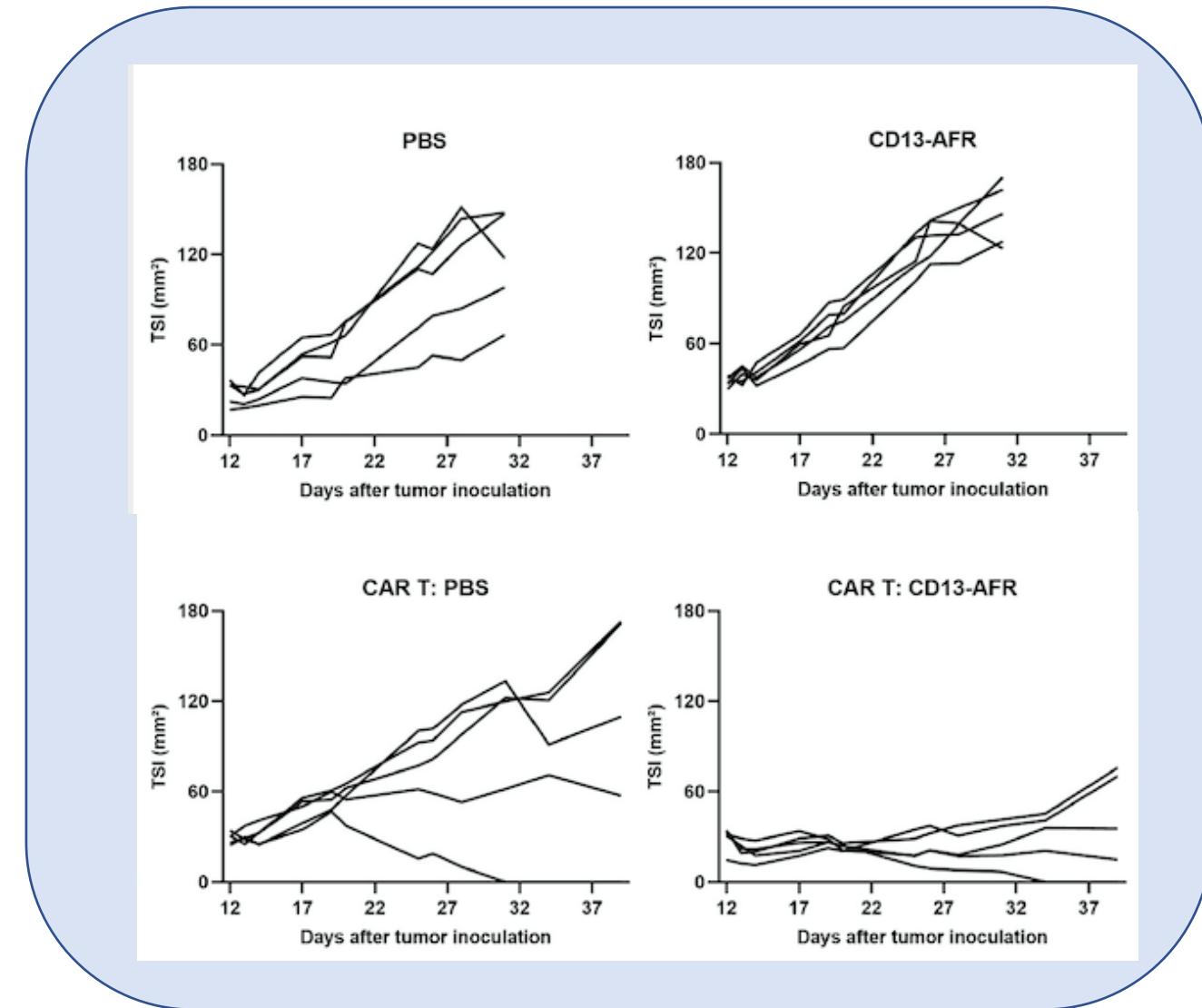
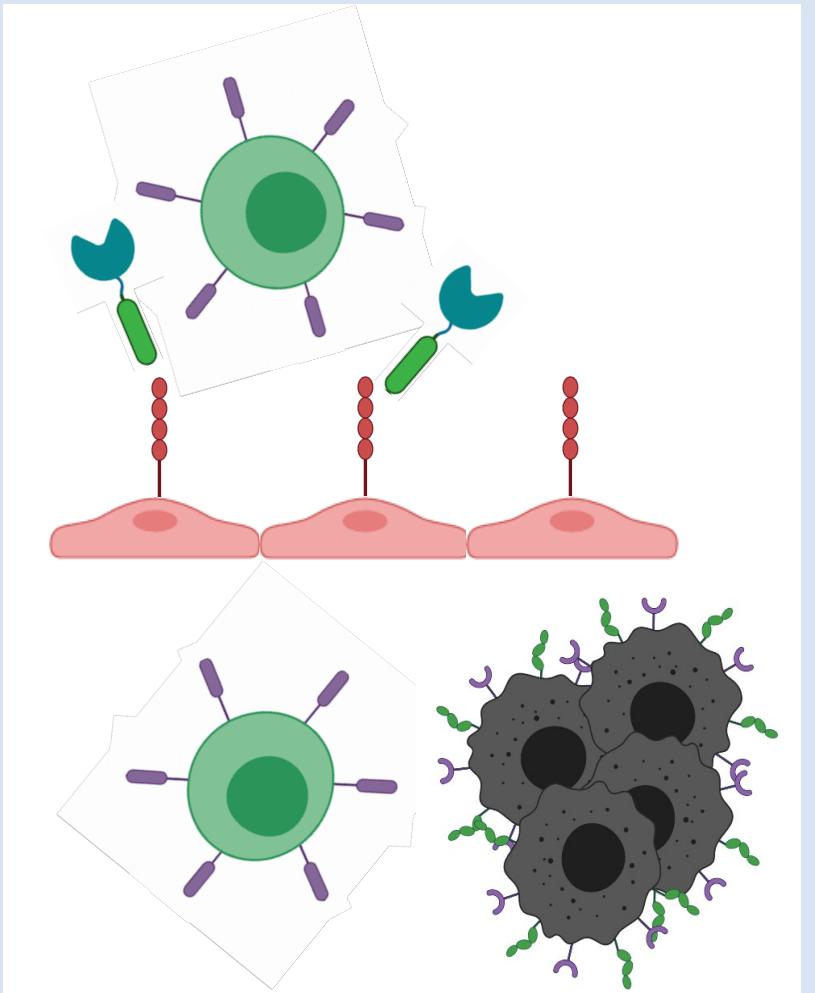
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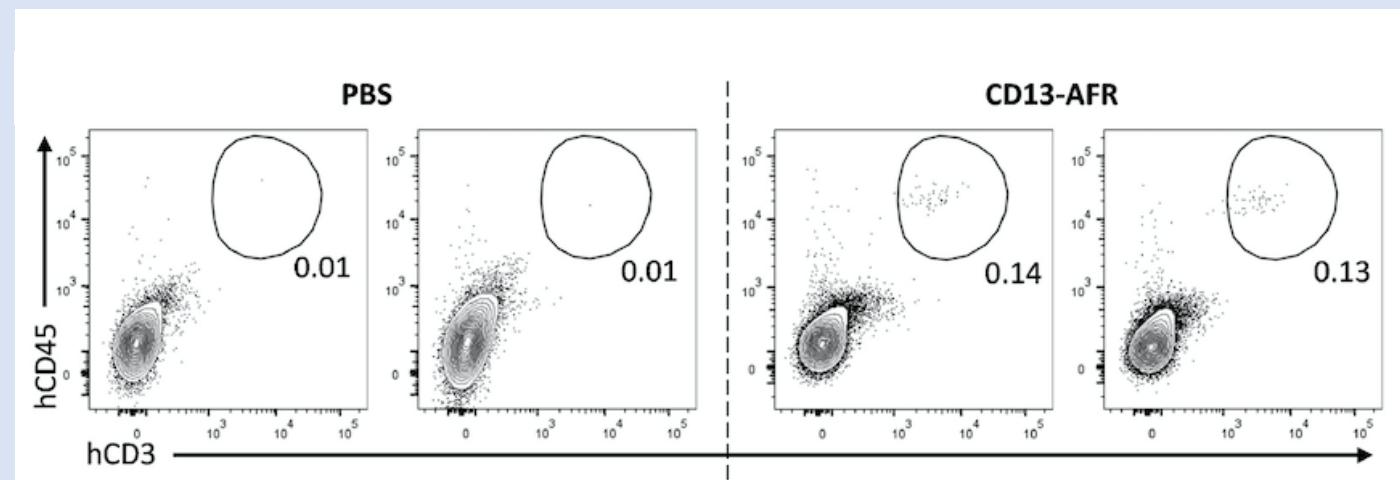
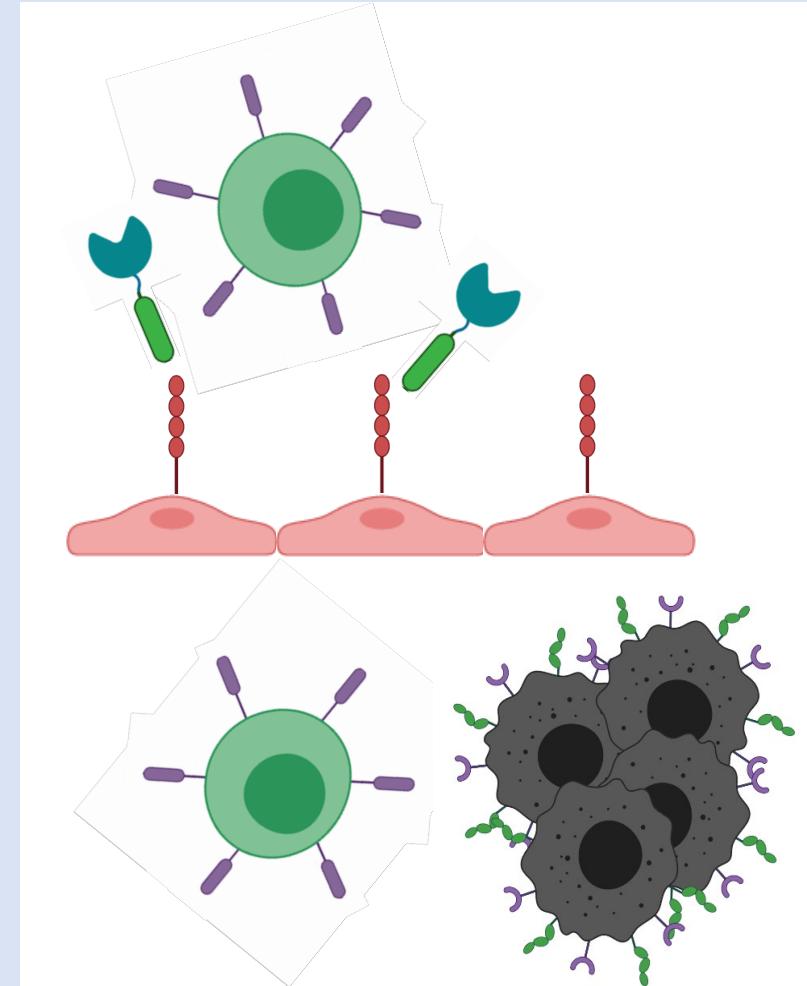
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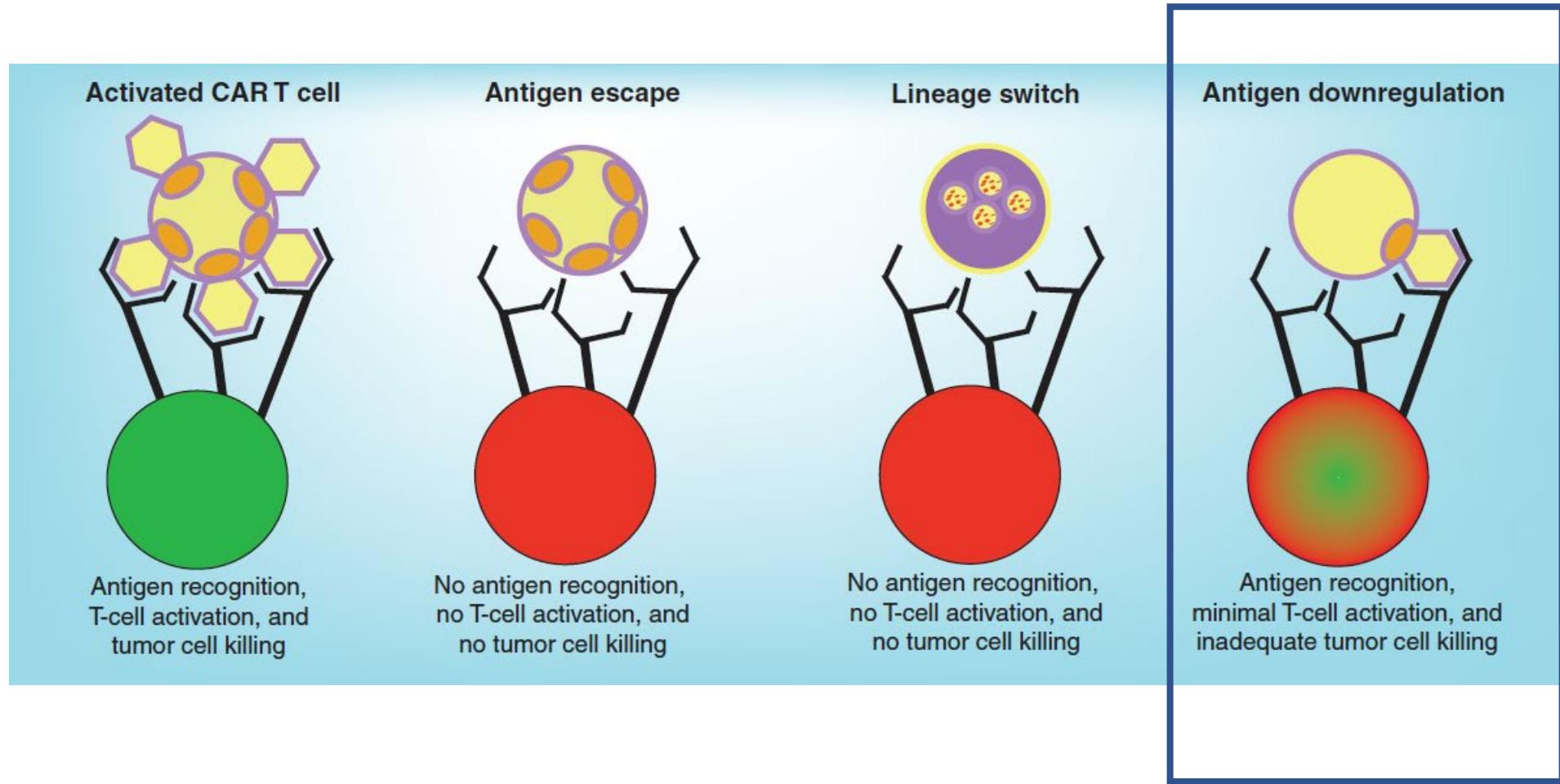
Nanobody based dual specific targeting



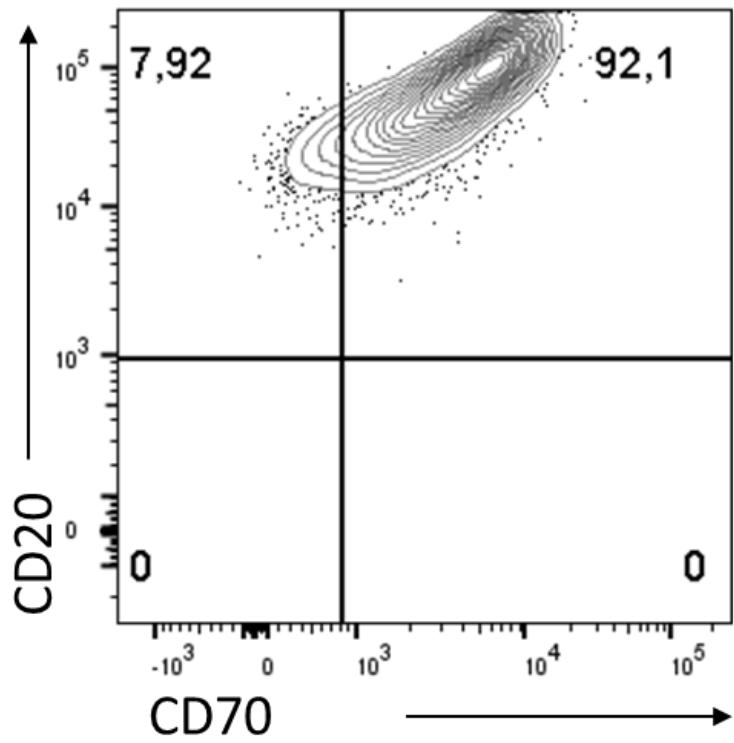
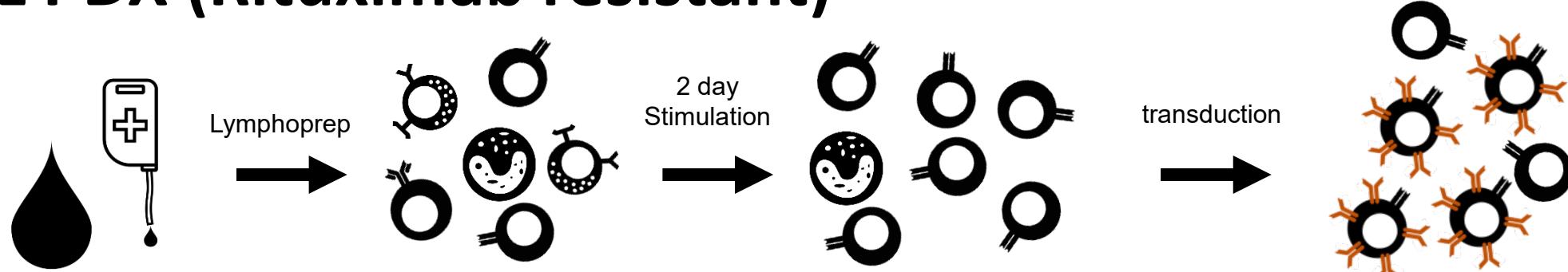
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Antigen negative relapse



DLBCL PDX (Rituximab resistant)



DLBCL



nanoCART
intravenous

Immune therapy : CAR-T

Target antigen

- Expression
- Off-target

Examples:

- CD19
- BCMA

Potency

- Checkpoint inhibitors
- Actakinies/cytokines
- Dual specificity
- TCR-based CAR
- CRISPR engineered
- Off the shelf CAR
- ...



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