



# Achilles Therapeutics

AI-Powered Precision Cell Therapy Targeting All Tumor Cells

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# Transforming the treatment of solid tumors with precision T cell therapy



**Company  
founded**  
2016



**Nasdaq IPO:  
ACHL**  
2021



**Early clinical  
proof of concept**  
2022



**Clinical  
update**  
2023



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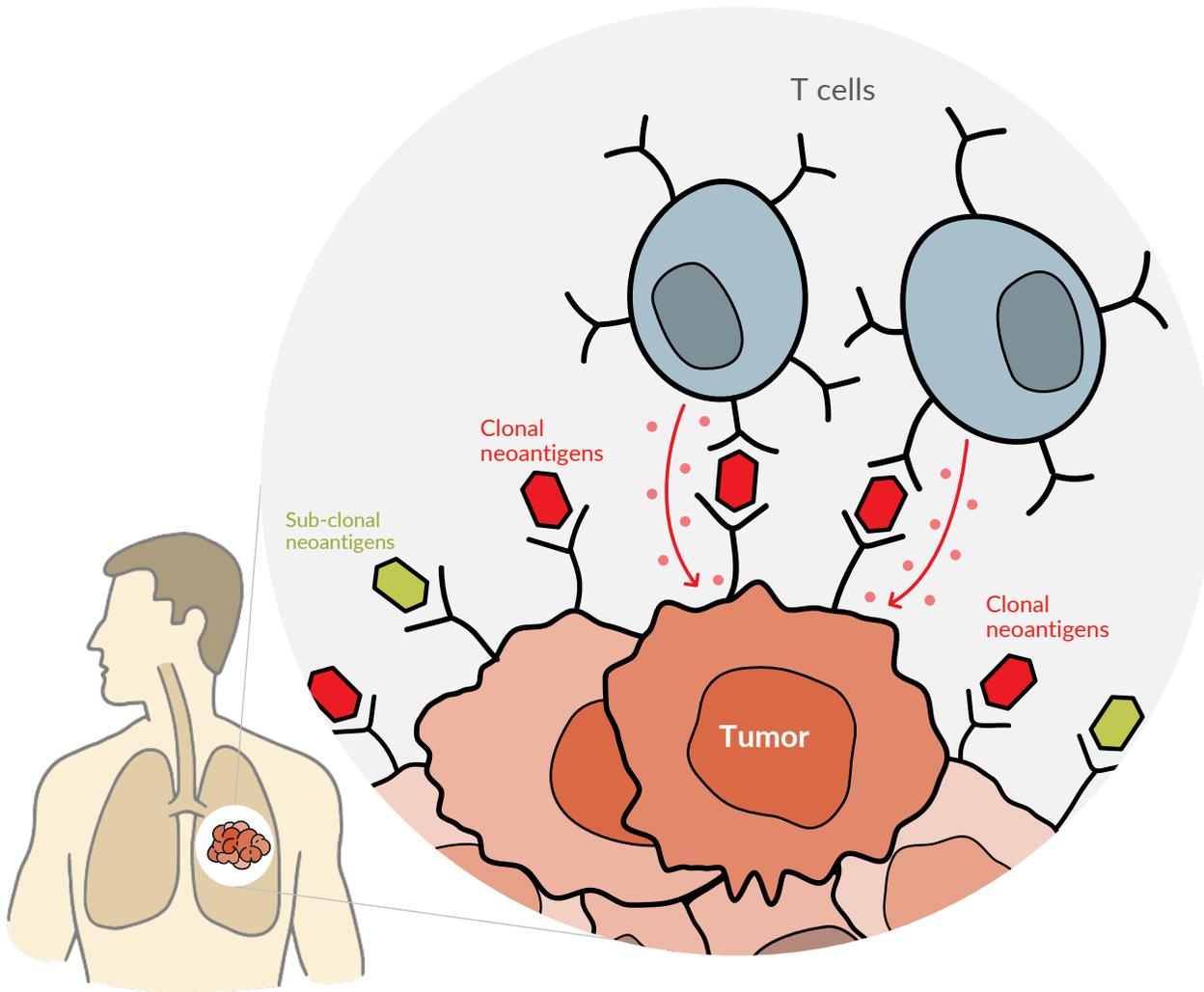


**Two active clinical  
programs**

~200 employees

**\$173M cash**

# Targeting clonal neoantigens with patented technology, linking mechanism and potency



**Clonal neoantigens:  
a novel and ideal cancer  
target**

**Only target present on  
all cancer cells, absent  
from healthy tissue**

**Unique and world leading  
capability to identify  
clonal neoantigens**

**Only neoantigen  
platform validated on  
real world data**

**World class scientific  
platform**

**Demonstrated target  
engagement supporting  
mechanism of action**



## Targeting clonal neoantigens: a novel class of cancer target present on all tumor cells

We have developed a proprietary patent protected AI platform (PELEUS®) that is validated on real world patient data (TRACERx) and which can be used to identify personal clonal neoantigens



## Controlled precision therapy

Scientific platform that can quantify, characterize and track tumor reactive T cells, target engagement and mechanism of action



## Emerging PoC for cNeT in NSCLC

Durable disease control achieved with cNeT monotherapy, 71% (5/7) NSCLC patients (including 1 PR and 4 SDs) with encouraging safety and tolerability



## Near-term clinical milestones

Clinical and translational updates in 2023: 15-20 new patients across NSCLC (CHIRON) monotherapy and melanoma (THETIS) monotherapy and in combination with check-point inhibitor (anti-PD-1)



## Strong cash position supports all planned operations into mid-2025

Cash runway of \$173M (£143M) as of December 31, 2022

# Experienced leadership with decades in cell therapy drug development



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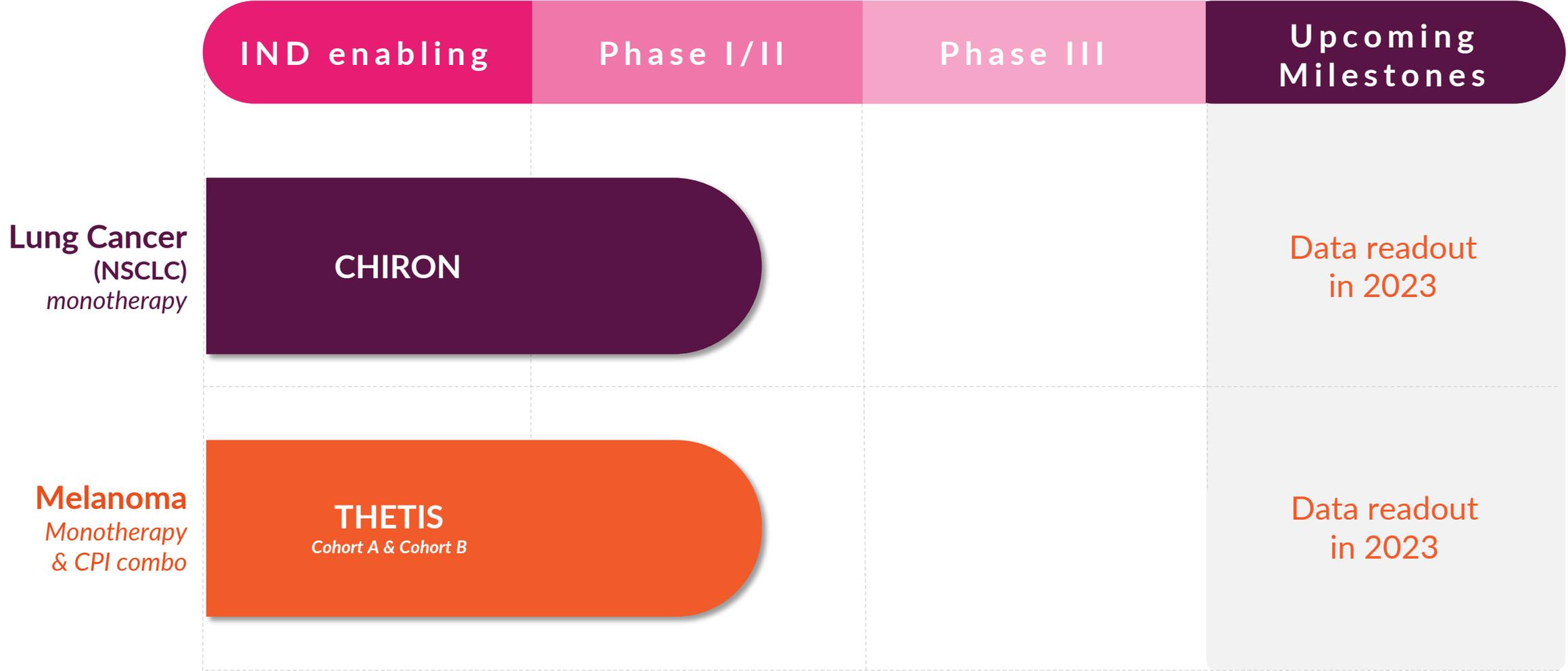
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# Differentiated pipeline of precision T cell therapies across multiple solid tumors



# Cancer is driven by mutations to DNA which create targets for the immune system



DNA damage causes genetic alterations which can lead to cancer



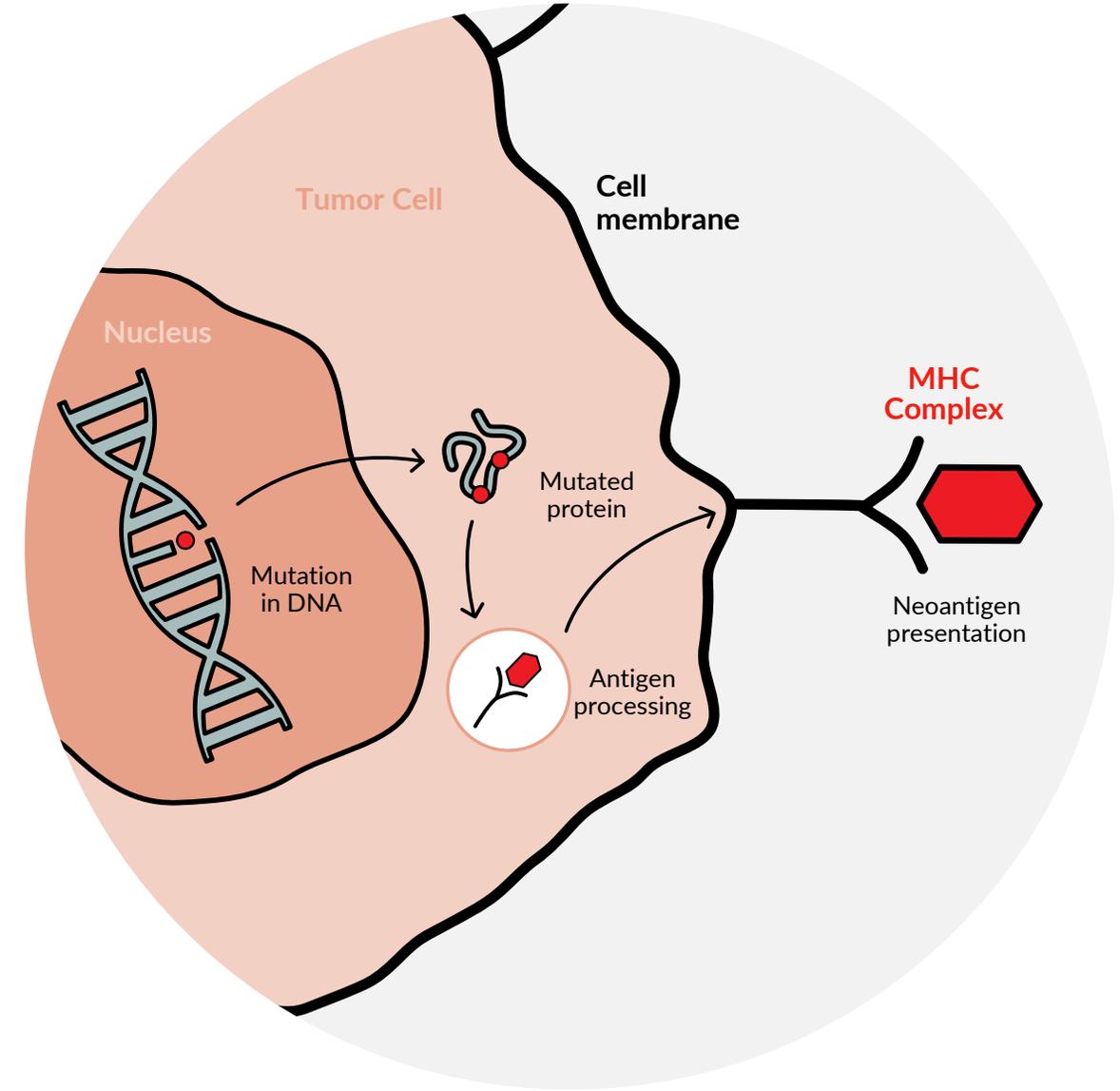
Mutated proteins from these alterations create antigens for the immune system



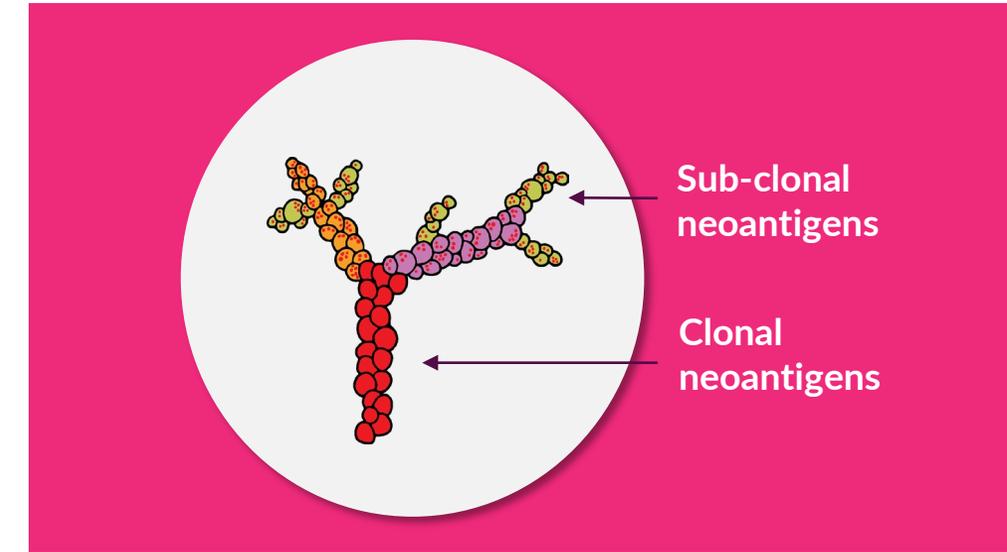
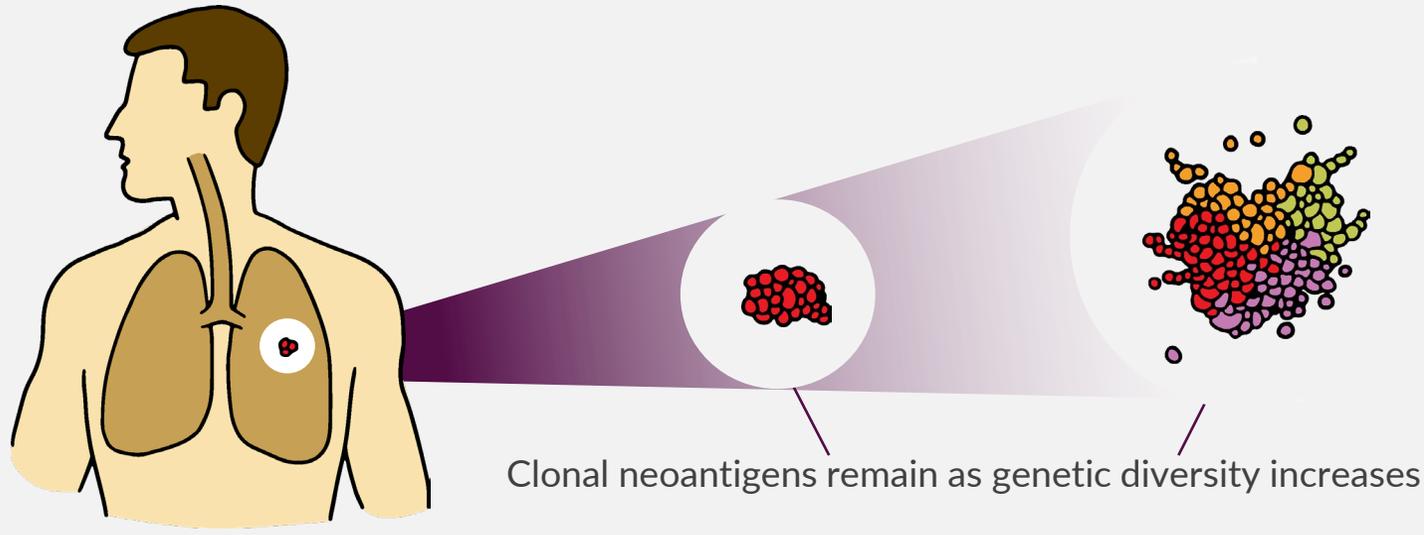
Neoantigens presented on cell surface via MHC molecules recognized by T cells



T cells will recognize neoantigens as foreign and destroy the tumor cell



# A landmark study (TRACERx) demonstrated that a specific group of neoantigens (clonal neoantigens) are present on all tumor cells in cancers

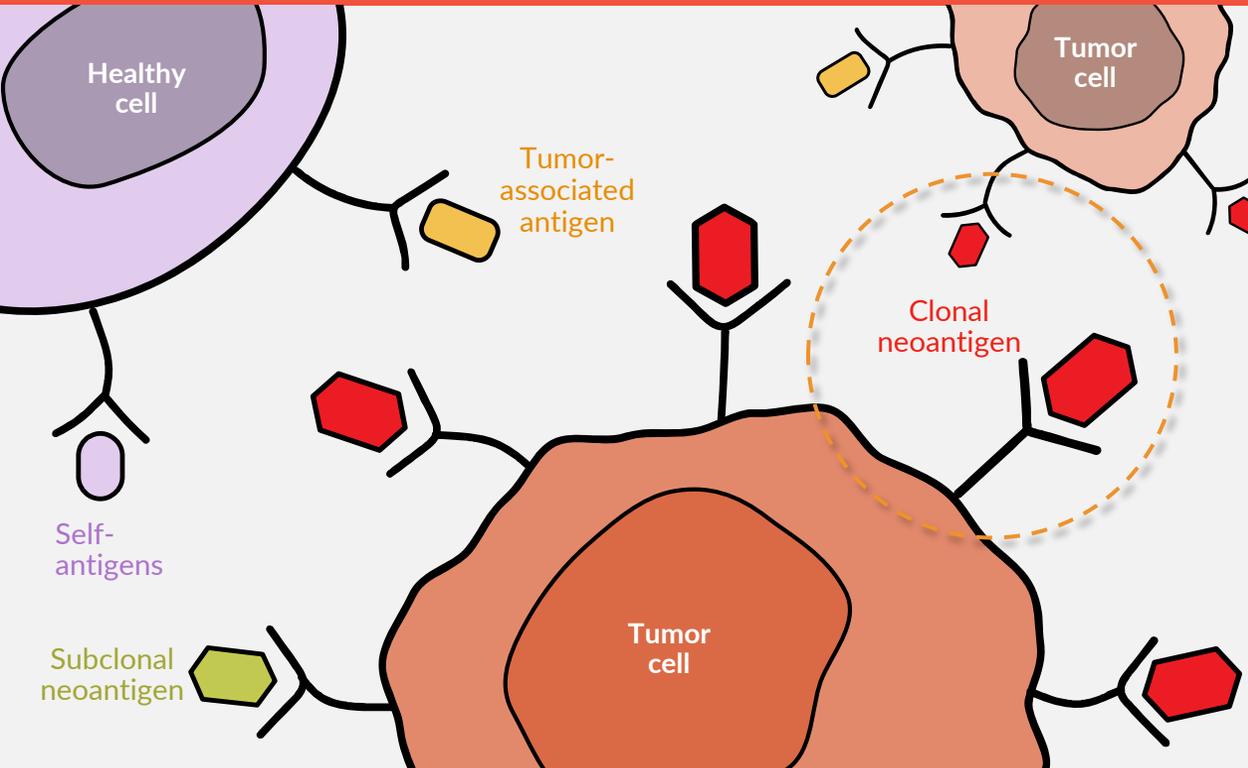


- Tumors are constantly evolving and acquiring new mutations
- This genetic diversity enables tumors to develop resistance to standard therapies
- However, original mutations (clonal neoantigens) are passed down and remain present in all tumor cells<sup>1-4</sup>
- We can identify the original clonal mutations for each patient and so can target multiple antigens present only on tumor cells<sup>2-4</sup>

# Multiple lines of clinical evidence support neoantigens as relevant cancer targets and clonal neoantigens as the predominant predictive biomarker for positive clinical outcome



## Clonal neoantigens: the only known target present on all tumor cells and absent from healthy tissue



## Multiple lines of evidence link neoantigens with positive clinical outcomes

- Neoantigen-reactive T cells are correlated with **improved outcomes** for **CPI and TIL** therapy<sup>1-3</sup>
- **Disease-free survival** is driven by the presence of **clonal neoantigens** in untreated NSCLC<sup>4</sup>
- Evidence that clonal neoantigens are the driver of **overall survival** in **checkpoint (CPI) therapy**<sup>5-7</sup>
- **mRNA vaccines targeting neoantigens** now clinically validated showing **recurrence-free survival benefit** vs anti-PD-1 alone<sup>8</sup>

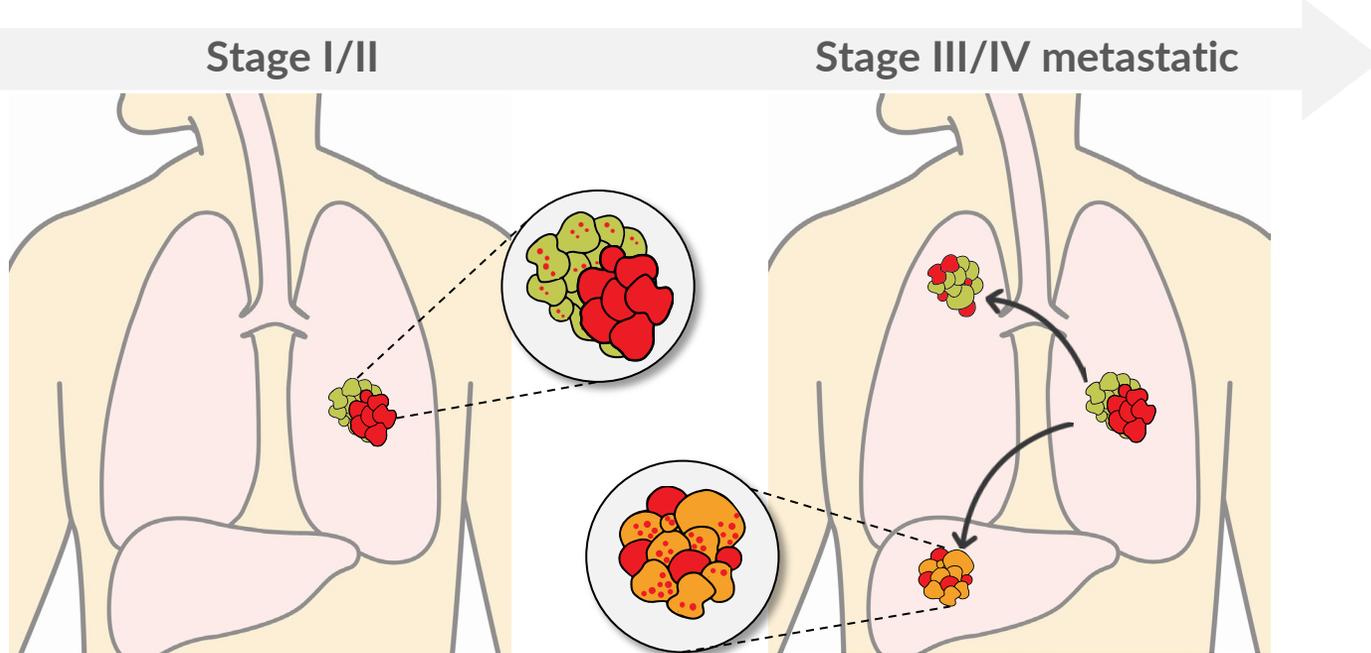
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# TRACERx is a unique asset that enables Achilles' neoantigen identification capability



TRACERx: patients (815) enrolled with early stage to advanced NSCLC and followed over several years with extensive tumor sampling, DNA sequencing and neoantigen analysis



- Biopsies taken over five years tracking disease progression
- DNA sequencing and bioinformatic analysis confirm which neoantigens (clonal) are conserved at all tumor sites (red)

## TRACER<sub>x</sub>

- TRACERx is the **largest longitudinal real-world patient data** set of its kind<sup>1-4</sup>
- **Unique asset** with a network of 15 NHS hospital sites using a harmonised protocol
- Extensive sequencing data (>4,000 biopsy samples across 815 patients) **identify clonal neoantigens** at **primary and metastatic sites**<sup>1-4</sup>
- Clonals neoantigens proven to be present in **all tumor sites, at all time points**<sup>4</sup>
- Clonal neoantigens can be identified by their specific sequence “signatures” using our **patent protected** PELEUS platform



## AI-powered neoantigen prediction

- Neoantigen identification requires an advanced computational approach
- AI and machine learning developed to enable reliable and rapid processing of complex patient DNA data
- Our neoantigen prediction method is patented and validated with real-world patient data

*Compares tumor DNA to healthy DNA to differentiate clonal and subclonal neoantigens*



*Method for identification of clonal neoantigens can be applied to multiple tumor types*

## PELEUS: An industry leading neoantigen platform

- Uniquely positioned to validate our clonal neoantigen predictions (>10,000 predicted clonal neoantigens validated with human patient data)
- Our AI-platform can predict neoantigen immunogenicity based on real world T cell reactivity data
- Our extensive real-world patient datasets can be mined for targetable mutations and associated TCRs

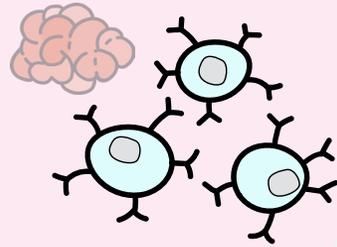
# Clonal neoantigens can be targeted with a range of therapeutic modalities



Current Achilles approach

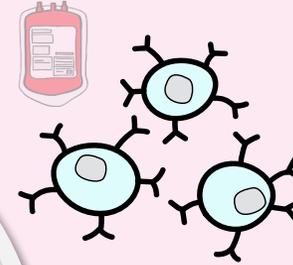
## TIL-based cNeT

Sourcing cNeT from TIL – a clinically validated approach across multiple solid tumor settings



## Blood-based cNeT (cNeT)

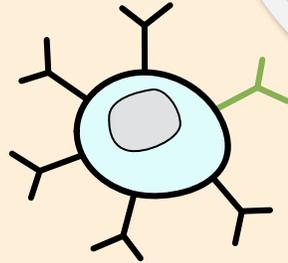
Investigational approach exploring use of blood as source of cNeT, without the need for surgery



Alternative modalities

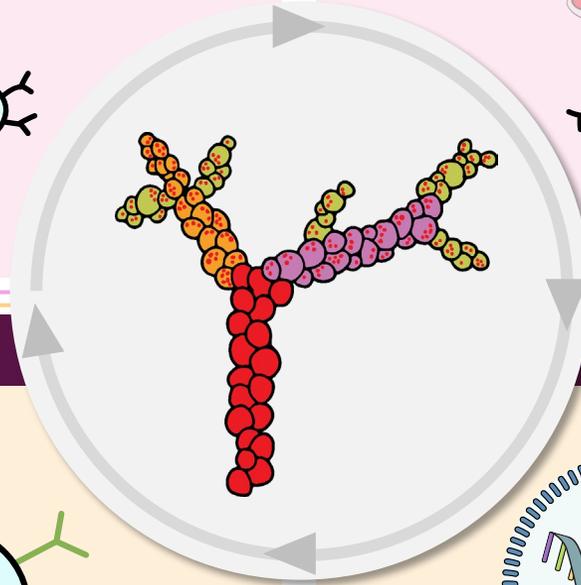
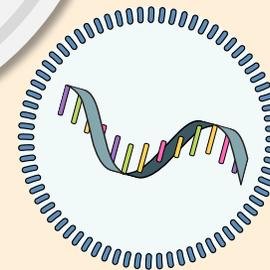
## TCR-therapy for shared neoantigens

Engineered TCR therapy equips activated T cells with specific receptors that can target shared neoantigens



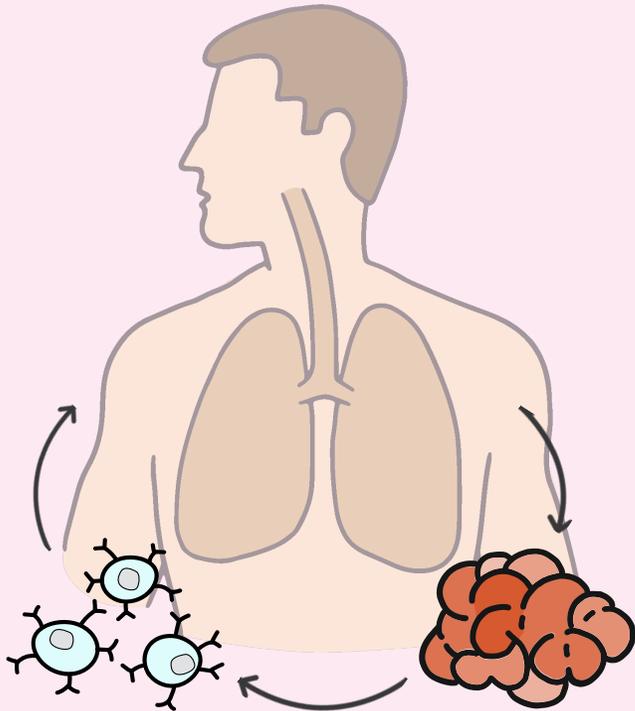
## Clonal neoantigen vaccines (mRNA)

Instruct cells in the body to translate RNA to make clonal neoantigens, which activate an immune response





## TIL: impressive clinical responses seen in multiple late-stage settings



31% ORR TIL monoTx in PD-1 refractory **melanoma** (n=153)<sup>1</sup>



21% ORR TIL monoTx in PD-1 refractory **NSCLC** (n=28)<sup>2</sup>

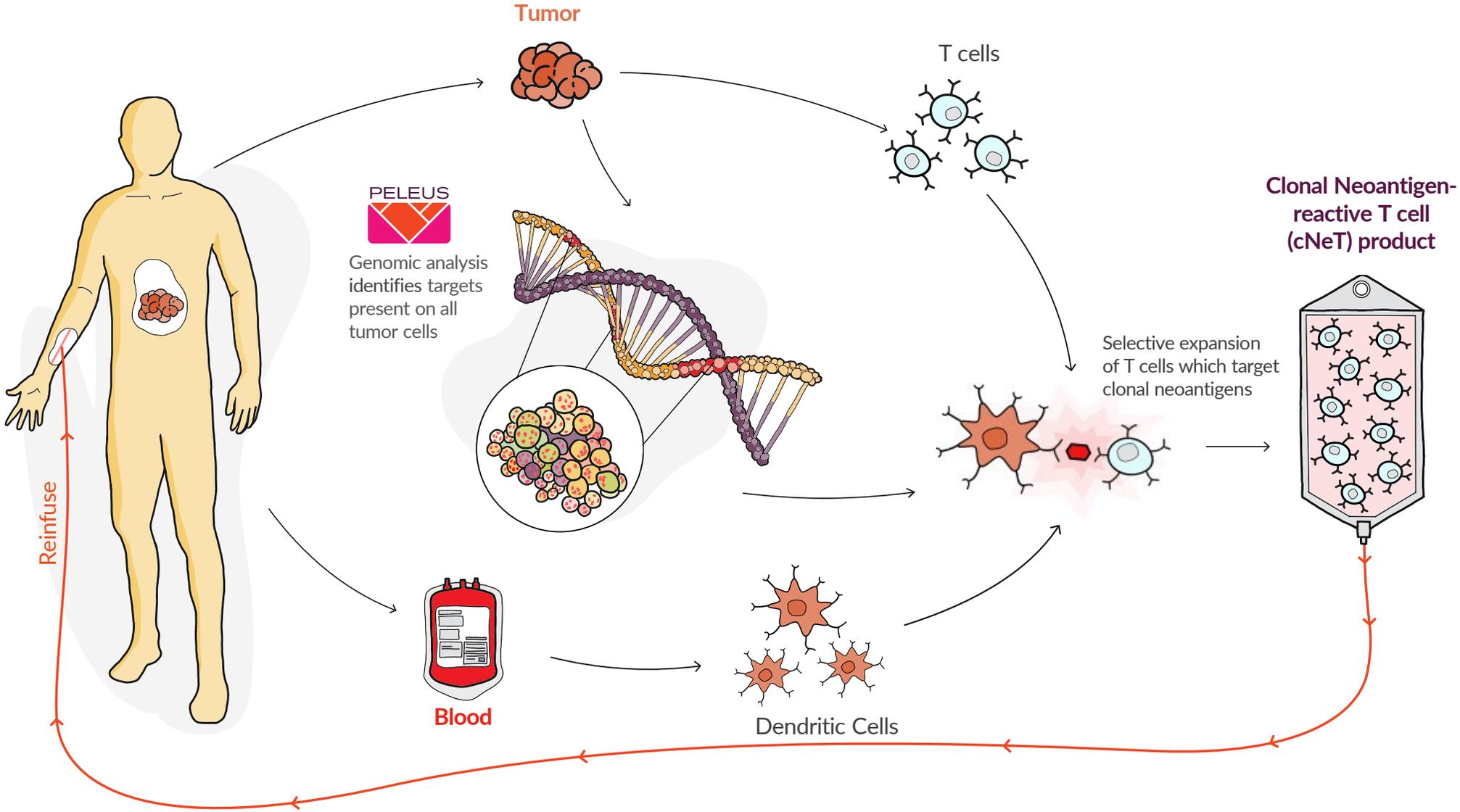


44% ORR TIL monoTx in pre-treated **cervical cancer** (n=27)<sup>3</sup>

- TIL therapy uses uncontrolled expansion that will enrich both sub-clonal and clonal neoantigen reactive T cells and can result in T cell exhaustion
- Opportunity to **build on and improve traditional TIL** therapy: by prospectively targeting clonal neoantigens we aim to enrich the tumor reactive component and deliver a **more potent product**

# Achilles process delivers precision clonal neoantigen targeting T cell therapy (cNeT)

Cutting edge personalized genomics and machine learning enable targeting of all cancer cells



# Two studies open in advanced NSCLC and melanoma



## CHIRON Advanced NSCLC

### Monotherapy

- Advanced unresectable or metastatic Stage III-Stage IV NSCLC
- Never-smokers and EGFR/ALK/Ros-1 mut excluded
- Open-label
- n = up to 40
- Option to open Cohort B in combination with a PD-1 inhibitor

Evaluating safety, tolerability and activity (RECIST) and biomarkers of clinical activity

Ongoing in UK, Europe and US

## THETIS Melanoma

### Cohort A – Monotherapy

- Recurrent or metastatic malignant melanoma (n = up to 40); Open-label
- Acral, uveal and mucosal melanoma excluded

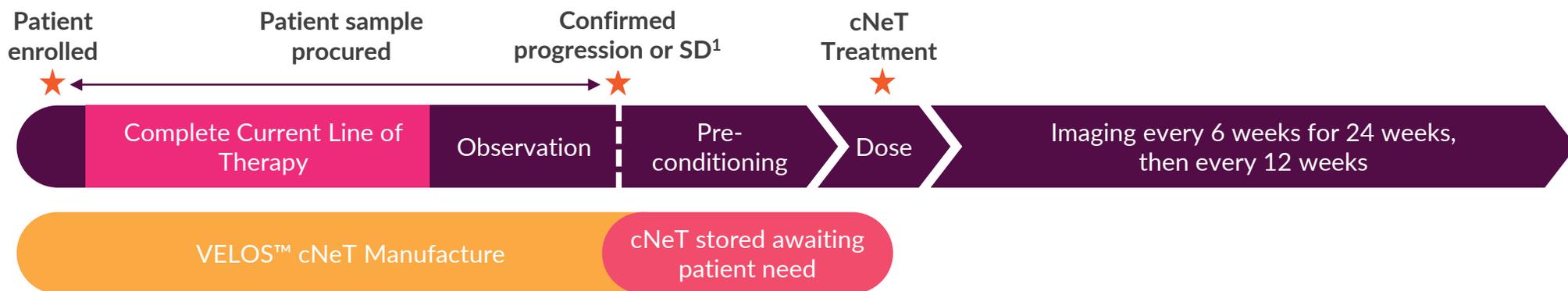
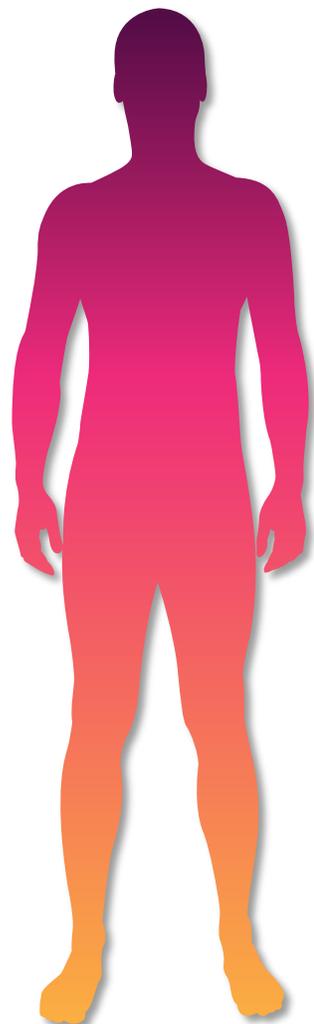
### Cohort B – Combination with PD-1 inhibitor (nivolumab)

- n = up to 20 checkpoint refractory patients; Open-label
- CPI dosed 7-13 days prior to cNeT and restarted day 14 post-cNeT

Evaluating safety, tolerability and activity (RECIST) and biomarkers of clinical activity

Ongoing in UK and Europe, expanding to US

# cNeT therapies will be readily delivered within standard treatment pathways



**Manufacturing**

Manufactured and cryopreserved for infusion

**Tolerable pre-conditioning**

Lower, more tolerable pre-conditioning (cy/flu)

**Low IL-2**

Lower dose IL-2 vs existing TIL therapies



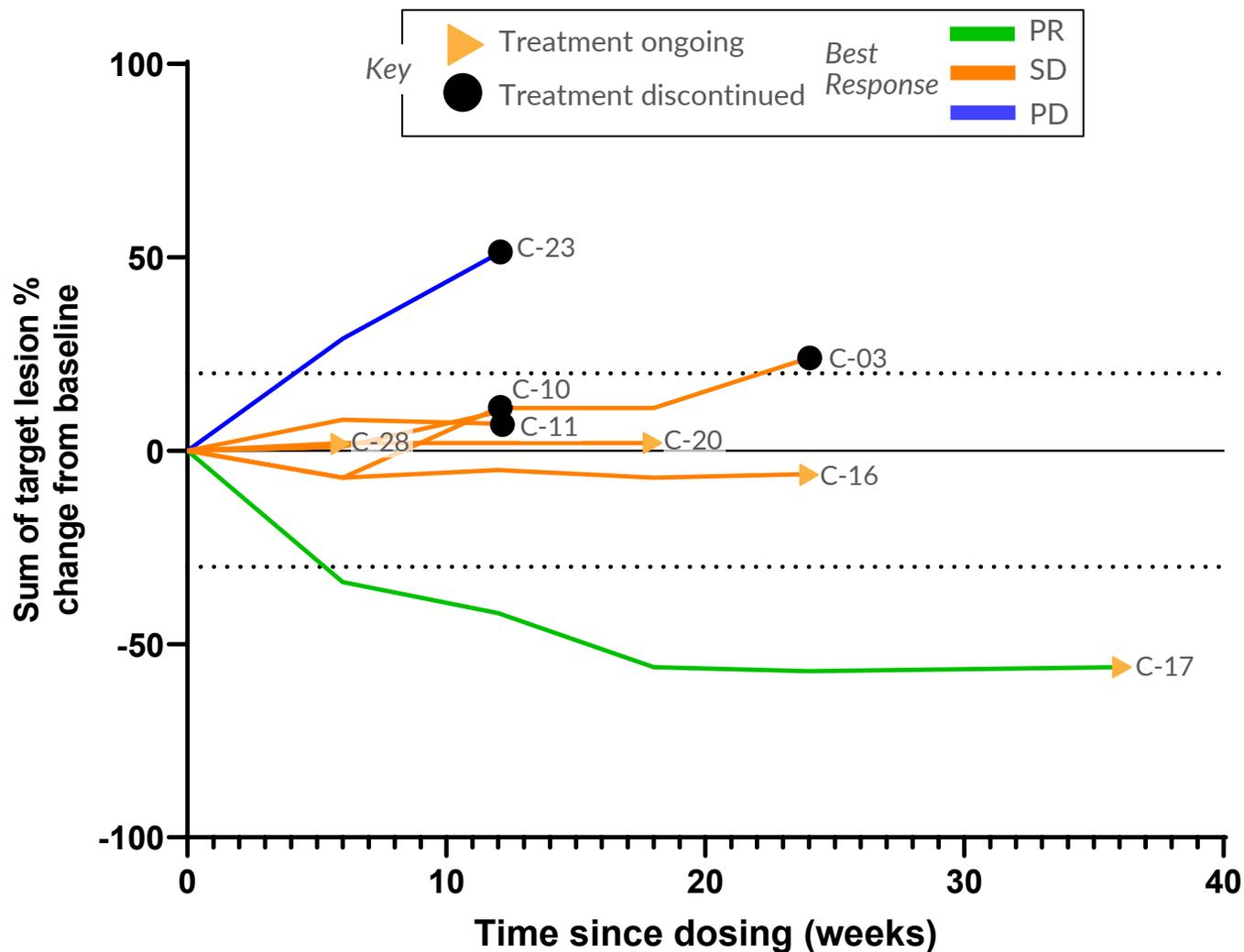
## Heavily pretreated patients with advanced cancer

- Eight advanced unresectable or metastatic NSCLC patients (CHIRON)
- Six relapsed/refractory melanoma patients (THETIS)
- Two median lines of prior therapy, all patients refractory to checkpoint inhibitor (CPI)
- All patients had progressive disease at time of lymphodepletion
- Process improvements delivering median cNeT dose of 78M (n=3 dosed patients)

## cNeT tolerability profile<sup>1</sup>

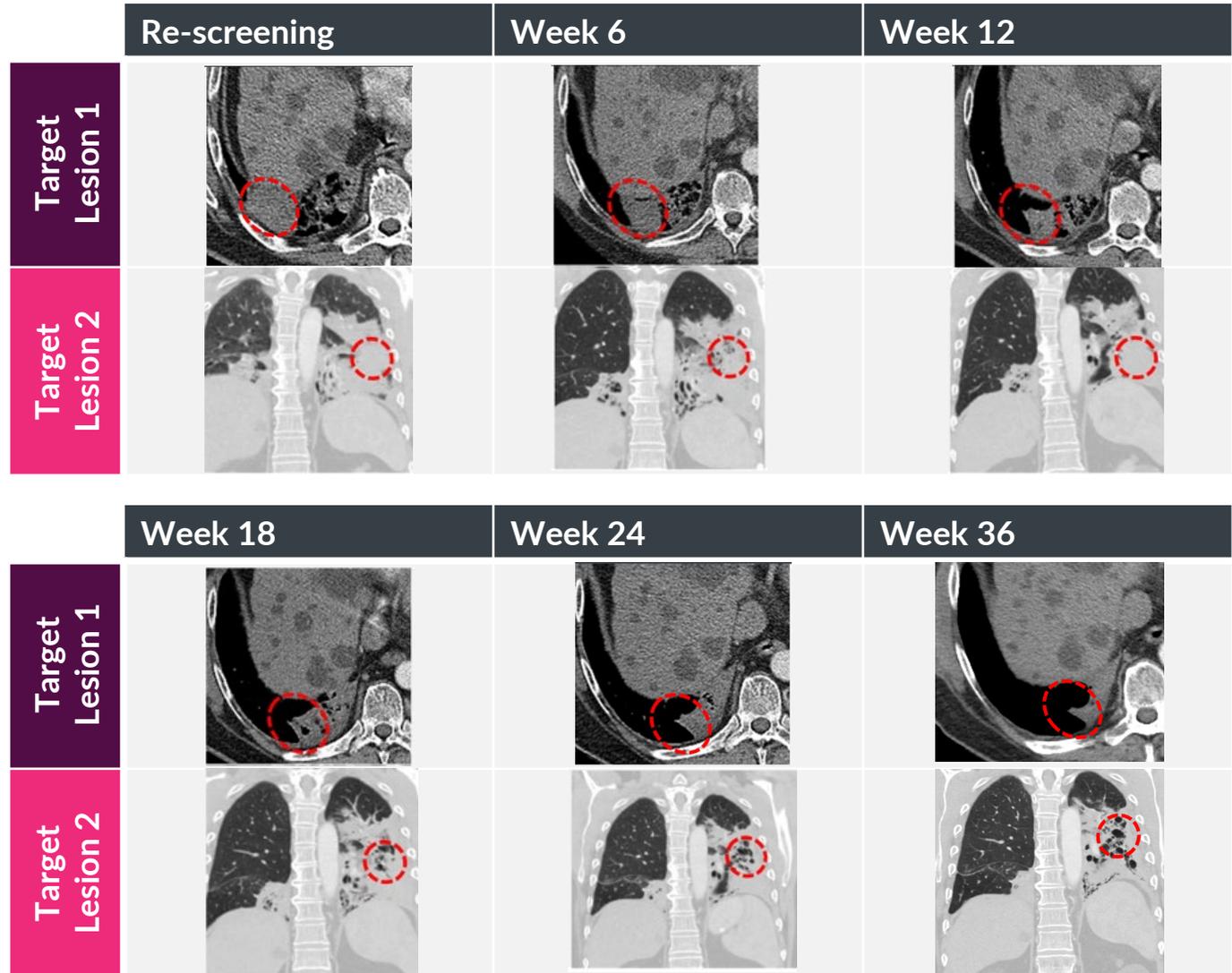
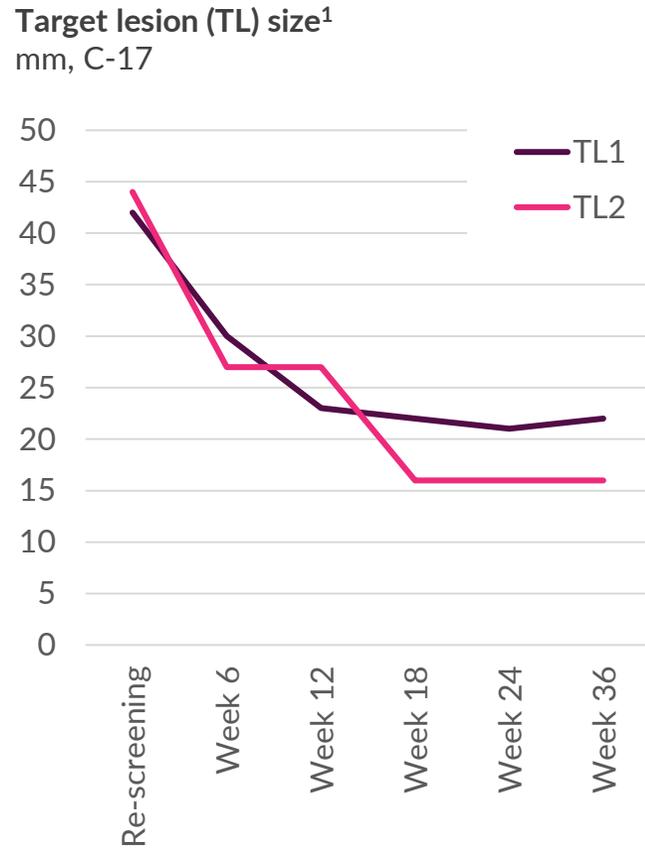
- Tolerability similar to standard TIL
- No new cNeT-related SAEs or dose-limiting toxicities since last report (ESMO 2022)
- Lower dose lymphodepletion and lower dose IL-2 well tolerated
  - 124/130 (95%) scheduled IL-2 doses delivered
- Lymphopenia and neutropenia the most common AEs

# 8 CHIRON (NSCLC) patients dosed with Best Response of PR and SD<sup>1</sup>



- **Early proof-of-concept demonstrated in NSCLC**
  - Disease control at >12 weeks observed in 5 of 7 evaluable patients (71%), including one PR (>36 weeks)
  - 4 of 7 (57%) out to >18 weeks
- **PR/SD with lower dose lymphodepletion and IL-2**
  - Supports potential for wider applicability of cNeT, including in an ambulatory setting

# Patient C-17: 56% reduction in total target lesion size vs. baseline at week 36

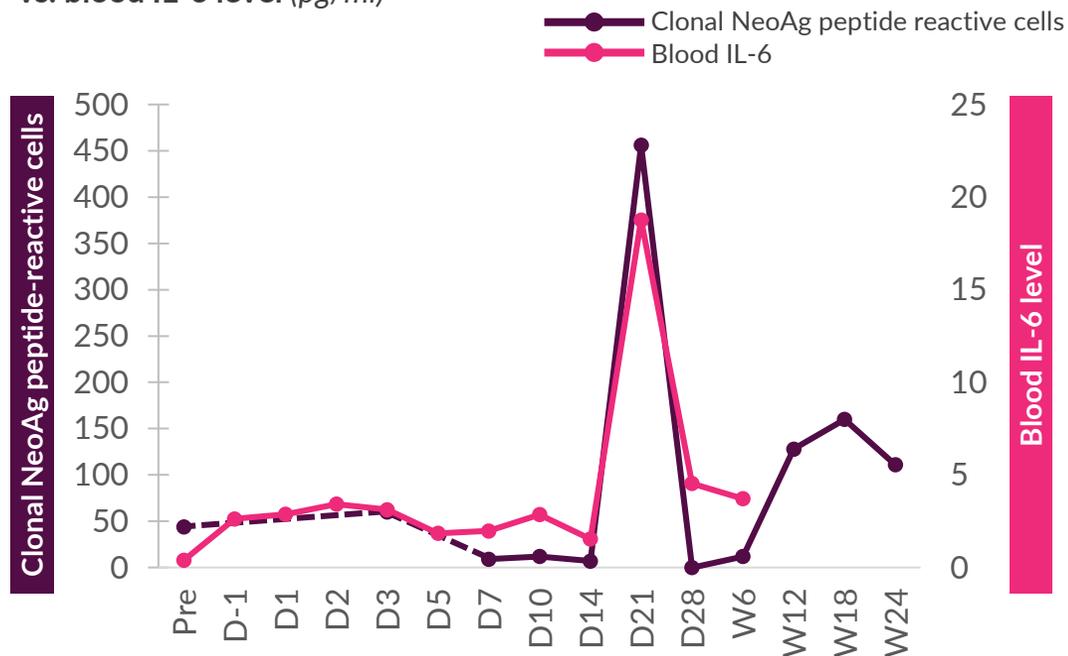


Total target lesion reduction of 56% at wk 36, with a 64% reduction in Target Lesion 2

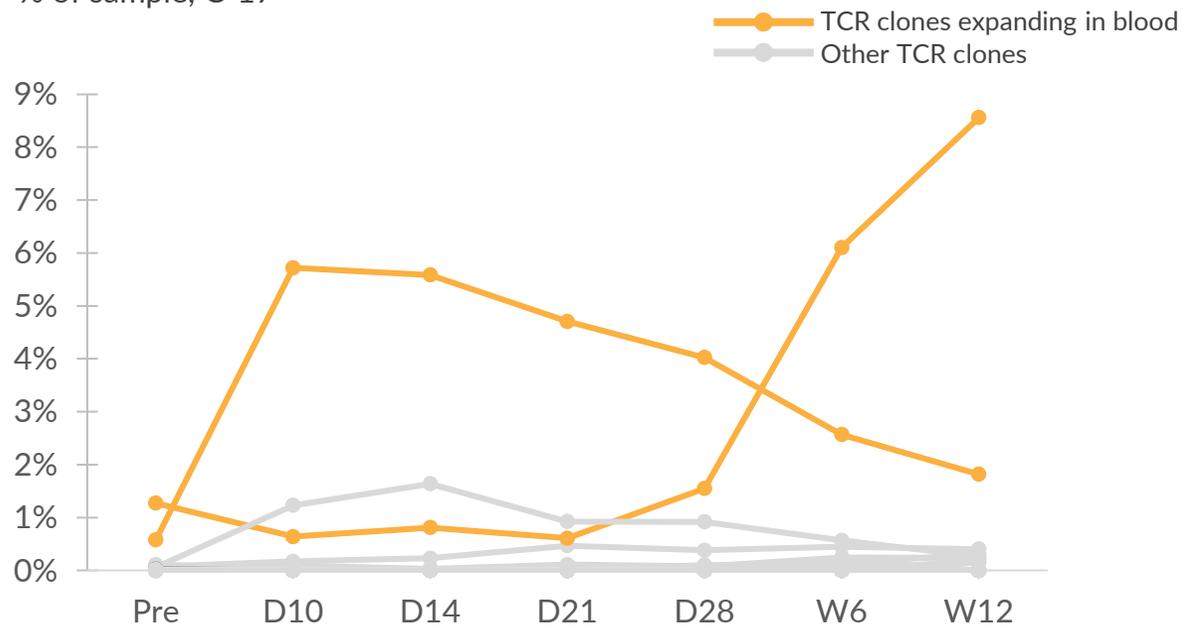
# Patient C-17: cNeTs expand and persist beyond week 12 coincident with tumor regression



Clonal neoantigen peptide-reactive cells in blood (normalized spot count) vs. blood IL-6 level (pg/ml)



Detection of T cell receptors from the product % of sample, C-17



Clonal neoantigen reactive T cells detected in blood-post dosing, with peak at Day 21 - coincident with peak in serum cytokine associated with T cell activity (IL-6)

T cell clones that are clonal neoantigen-specific are identified expanding in the patient beyond 12 weeks and to a greater extent than other patients



## Lymphodepletion & IL-2 well tolerated



- Lower dose lymphodepletion and IL-2 and 95% of IL-2 doses well tolerated
- Supports potential for wider applicability of cNeT, including in an ambulatory setting

## Early PoC in NSCLC



- Disease control >12 weeks in 71% patients, including one PR (>36 weeks<sup>1</sup>)
- Potential for deep, durable clinical responses with reduced lymphodepletion and IL-2

## cNeT Driving Anti-tumor Activity



- Engraftment & cytokine profiles supportive of cNeT driving anti-tumor activity
- Active cNeT peak expansion at day 21 coincides with peak in IL-6 (marker of activity)

# Efficient scale-up of GMP manufacturing to align with clinical and commercial need



- Flexible manufacturing allows efficient alignment of scale-up
- GMP facilities at Royal Free Hospital in London and Catapult site in Stevenage, UK currently support global clinical trial manufacturing
- Identified and initiated tech transfer to CDMO in Philadelphia, USA, in preparation for expansion
- Design work complete for GMP modular facility to support late stage clinical and commercial supply



Center for Breakthrough Medicine



Additional Capacity



## Clinical



Dose & **deliver data from 15-20 additional patients** with cNeT monotherapy (lung & melanoma) and CPI combo (melanoma)

**Drive additional confirmed responses** in CHIRON and THETIS patients with higher cNeT doses

## Translational



**Leverage world-class translational science** platform to define actionable cNeT features of response

## Process



Continue **PELEUS™** and **process development** to optimize dose and **identify new sources of clonal neoantigens**



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