

Realizing the full promise of gene editing to transform lives

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Graphite Bio: Realizing the full promise of gene editing



Powerful Next-Generation UltraHDR™ Gene Editing Platform

- Harnessing the power of **high-efficiency homology directed repair** to fulfill the original goal of CRISPR gene editing
- “Find & replace” genes anywhere in the genome – correct, replace, insert
- Preclinical validation across a wide range of cell types and diseases



Robust Pipeline of Potential One-Time Cures

- Initial focus on HSC-based cures for serious and life-threatening diseases
- **First-in-industry approach to directly correct** the sickle cell mutation
- Nulabeglogene autogedtemcel (nula-cel), formerly GPH101, **initial POC data anticipated mid-2023**
- R&D programs designed to validate broad platform capabilities

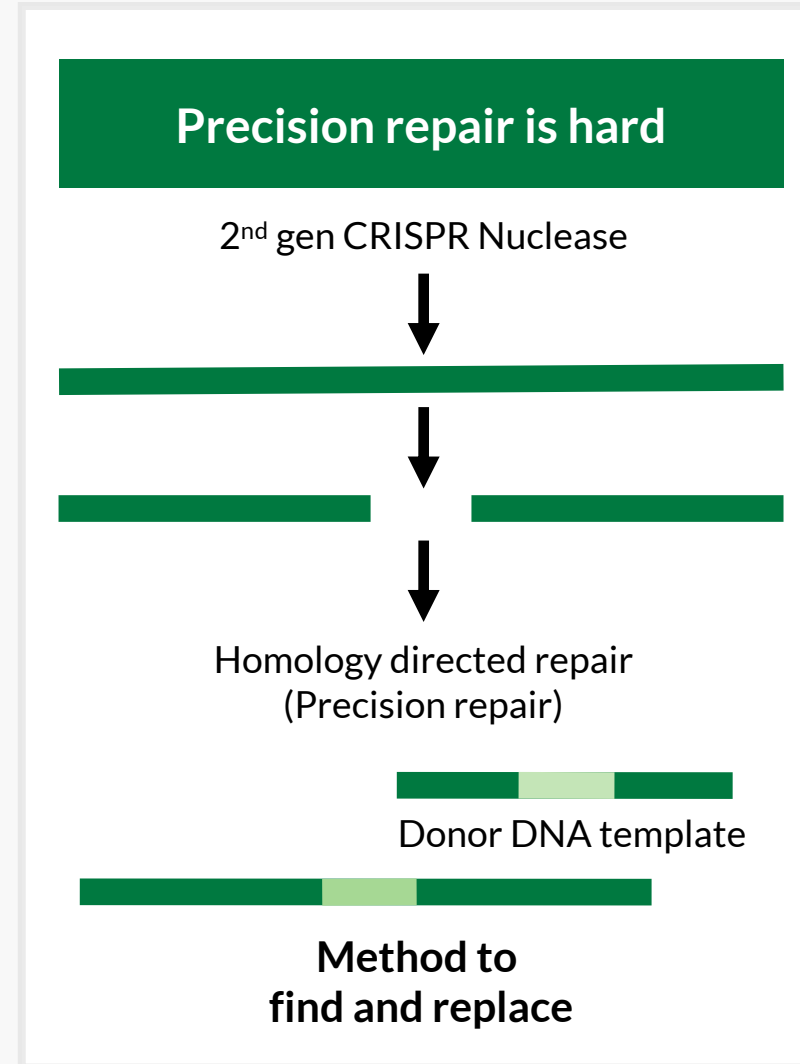
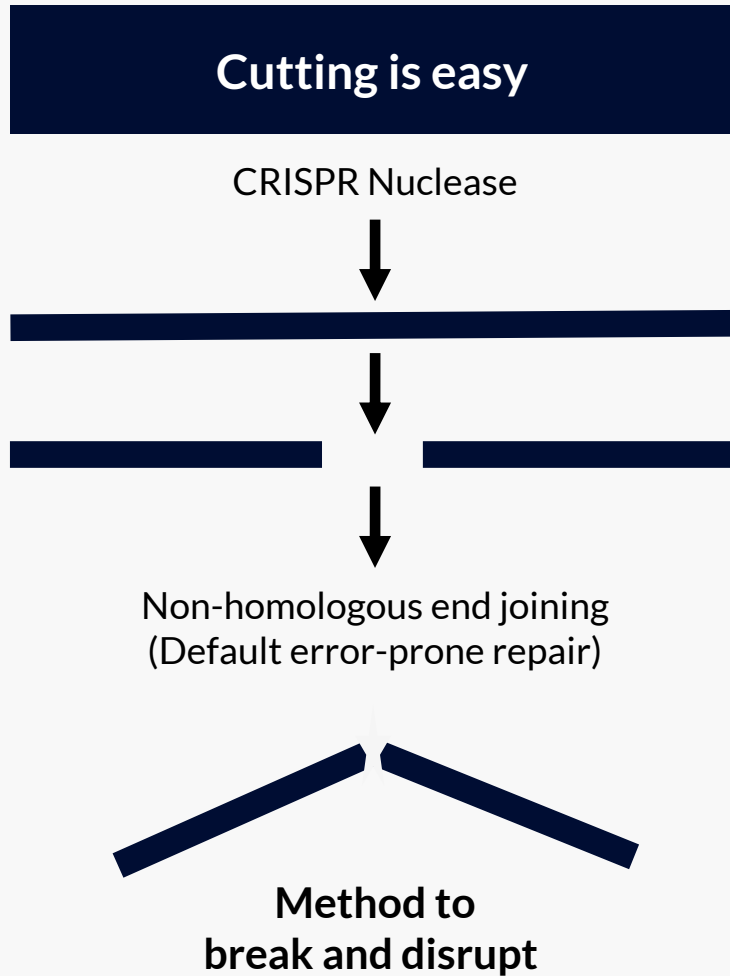


Poised to Deliver for Patients

- Founded by Stanford University genetic medicine pioneers
- Experienced management team and board with track record of developing innovative therapies
- \$328.3 million in cash, cash equivalents and investments in marketable securities (as of 6/30/2022); **cash runway into 4Q 2024**



Harnessing the power of homology directed repair to unleash the full potential of CRISPR gene editing



Homology directed repair

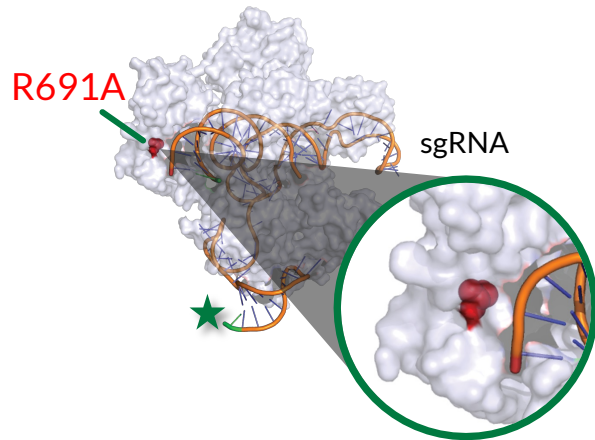
- The original goal of gene editing and CRISPR technology
- The most precise DNA editing system in nature
- Takes CRISPR beyond cutting and knock-outs – able to fix genetic lesions anywhere in the genome
- Has been historically difficult to achieve at high efficiencies until now



Our UltraHDR™ Platform: Building on CRISPR technology to 'find & replace' any gene

FIND:

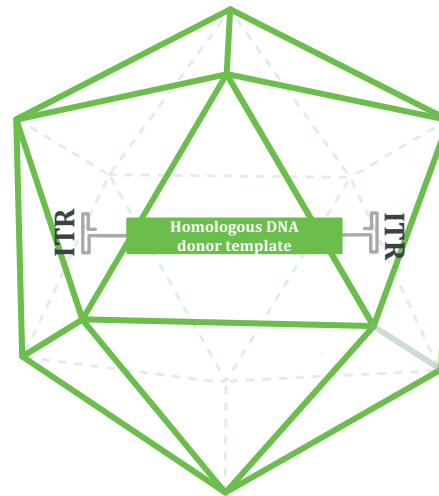
Proprietary HiFi Cas9 RNP / modified guide RNA finds gene and precisely cuts



- Retains high activity
- Reduced off-target edits by 30- to 100-fold
- Minimized cellular response

REPLACE:

AAV6 delivers donor DNA template to drive high-efficiency HDR



- Non-integrating
- Up to 4kb template
- Enables high-efficiency HDR
- One lot may treat 1000s of patients

OPTIMIZE:

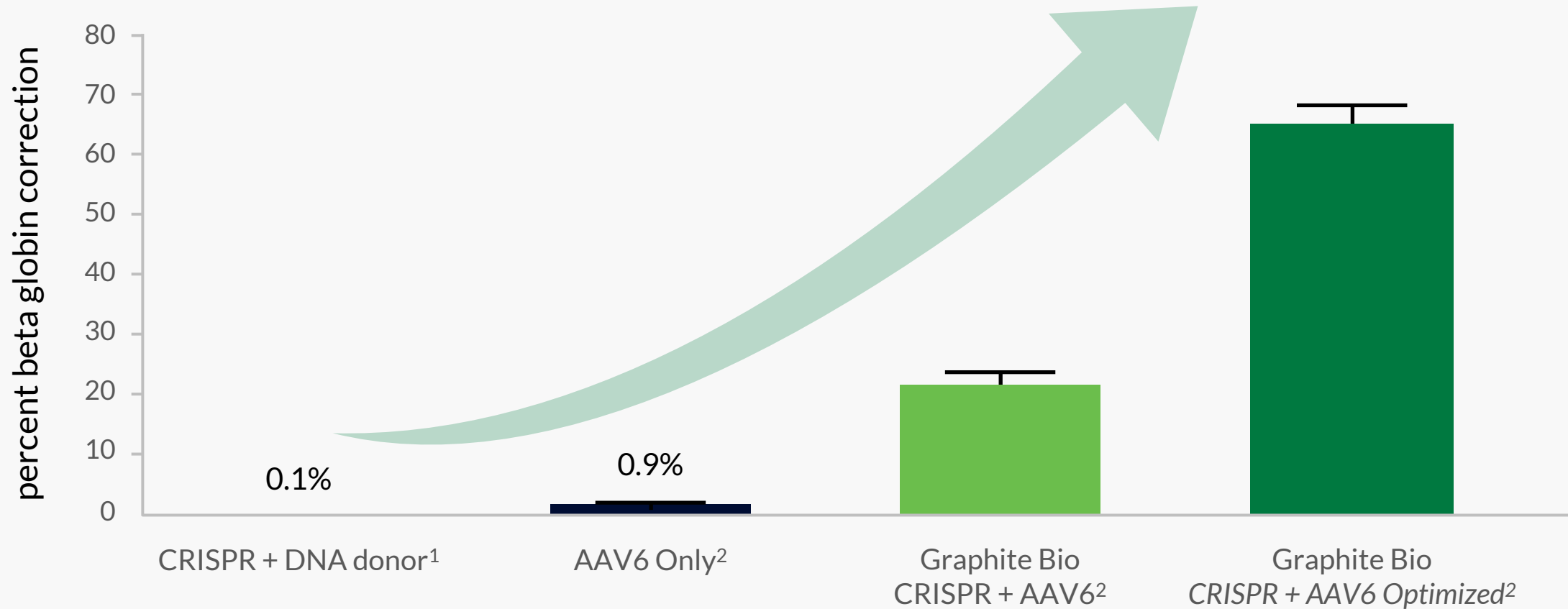
Stem cells prepared and optimized for HDR



- HSC biology expertise and culture optimization
- Unprecedented editing efficiencies as high as 70%
- Successful GMP manufacturing



Our UltraHDR™ Platform has generated unprecedented gene editing efficiencies in primary human cells, including HSPCs

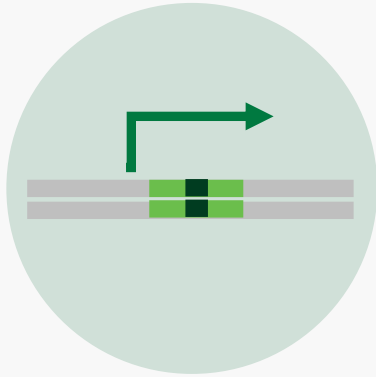


HSPC, hematopoietic stem and progenitor cells.

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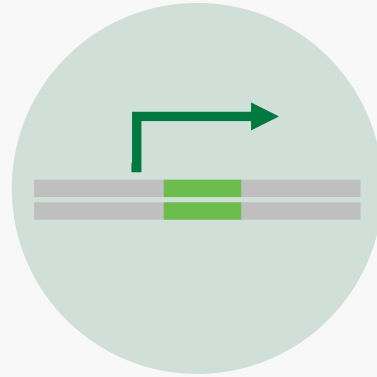
Our UltraHDR™ Platform is designed to enable a broad array of applications: Precisely correct, replace and insert genes



Gene Correction

Correct point mutations or short DNA stretches in endogenous locus

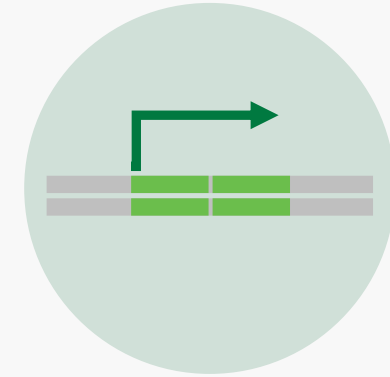
(e.g., sickle cell disease)



Gene Replacement

Replace gene driven by own promoter

(e.g., beta-thalassemia, X-linked severe combined immunodeficiency syndrome (XSCID))



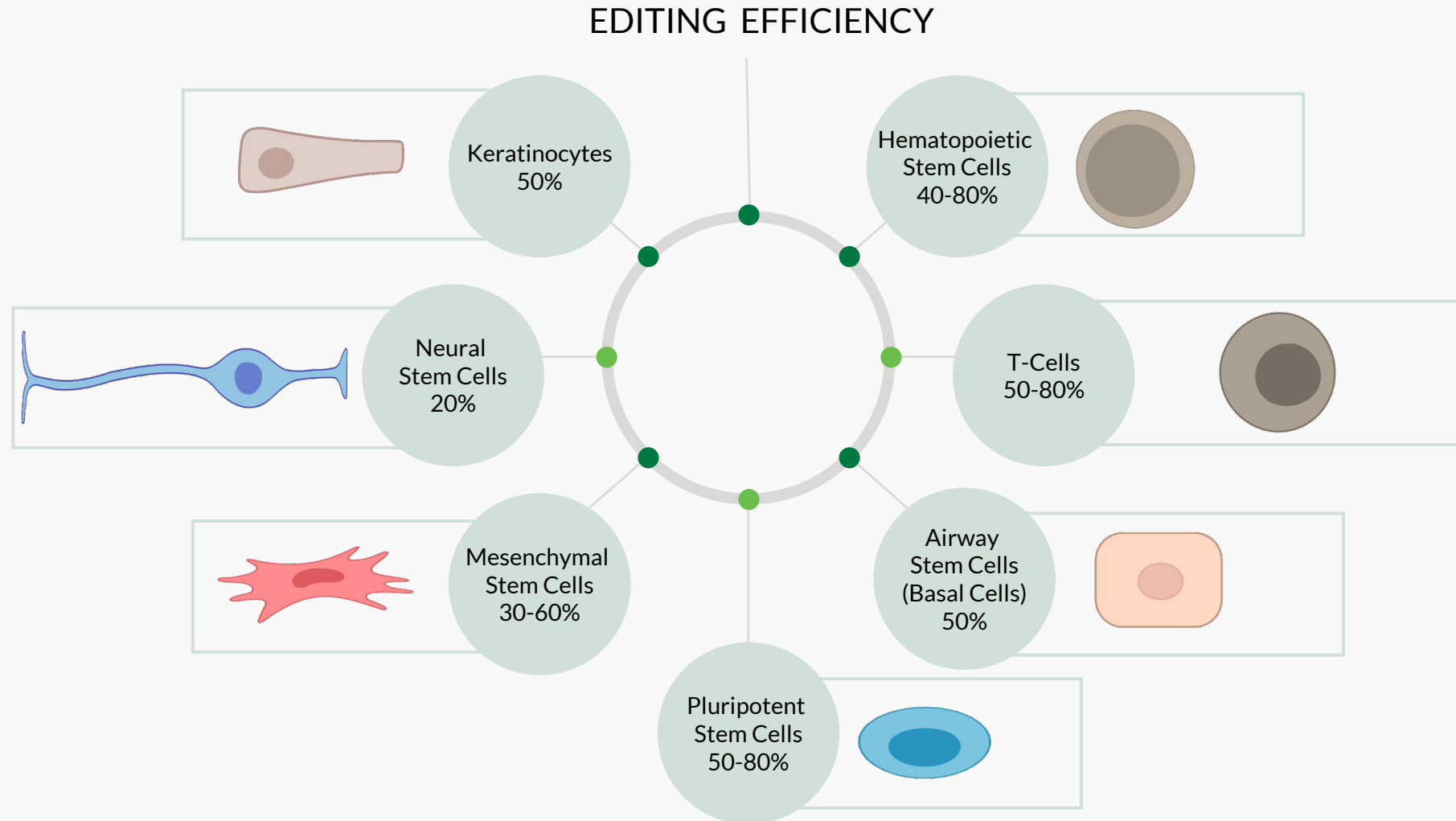
Targeted Gene Insertion

Knock-in promoter gene expression cassette into safe harbor location

(e.g., alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency, Gaucher disease)



Our UltraHDR™ Platform is highly efficient across a wide range of cell types – yielding broad potential



Bonafont, Porteus et al. Homology-Directed Repair-based Ex Vivo Gene Editing for Recessive Dystrophic Epidermolysis Bullosa Correction in Somatic Stem Cells. Submitted to Molecular Therapy; Dever et al. CRISPR/Cas9 β -globin gene targeting in human haematopoietic stem cells. Nature 539, 384–389(2016); Wiebking, Lahiri, Roncarolo, Porteus et. al. Genome editing of donor derived T-cells to generate allogenic chimeric antigen receptor modified T cells. Haematologica 20210; 105; Vaidyanathan, Porteus et. al. High-efficiency, selection-free gene repair in airway stem cells from CF Patients rescues CFTR function in differentiated epithelia. Cancer Stem Cell 26; 1-11, January 2, 2019.; Martin, Porteus et. al. Highly Efficient and Marker-free Genome Editing of Human Pluripotent Stem Cells by CRISPR-Cas9 RNP and AAV6 Donor-Mediated Homologous Recombination. Cancer Stem Cell 24, 821-828. May 2, 2019; Srifa, Porteus et. al. Cas9-AAV6-engineered human mesenchymal stromal cells improved cutaneous wound healing in diabetic mice. Nature Communications 2020, 11:2470; Dever, Gomez-Ospina, Porteus et. al. CRISPR/Cas9 Genome Engineering in Engraftable Human Brain-Derived Neural Stem Cells. iScience 15, 524-535. May 31, 2019.



Our strategy

Our goal

Severe SCD,
beta-thalassemia



Demonstrate potential for
definitive cure by targeting
disease-causing gene

Targeted conditioning to expand
eligible patients and addressable diseases
Alpha-1 antitrypsin
deficiency, Gaucher



Leverage targeted gene insertion
capabilities

Platform enhancements and
optimizations



Leverage technology
across a range
of other cell types







Autoimmune, CNS,
oncology, regenerative



Deliver **one-time
outpatient cures**
across a range of
serious genetic
diseases



Developing therapies with curative potential for serious, genetic diseases

PROGRAM / INDICATION	APPLICATION	DISCOVERY / VALIDATION	IND-ENABLING	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	NEXT ANTICIPATED MILESTONE	COMMERCIAL RIGHTS
nula-cel (formerly GPH101) Sickle cell disease (SCD)	Gene correction	[Progress bar: 75% complete]			[Progress bar: 25% complete]		Initial POC data (mid-2023)	 GRAPHITE BIO
GPH102 Beta-thalassemia	Gene replacement	[Progress bar: 40% complete]			[Progress bar: 60% complete]		IND submission (mid-2024)	 GRAPHITE BIO
Therapeutic protein production (alpha-globin) Alpha-1 antitrypsin (AAT) deficiency	Targeted gene insertion	[Progress bar: 15% complete]			[Progress bar: 85% complete]		Program nomination	 GRAPHITE BIO
Non-genotoxic conditioning (NGTC) Undisclosed targets	Engraftment	[Progress bar: 15% complete]			[Progress bar: 85% complete]		Program nomination	 GRAPHITE BIO
GPH201 X-linked severe combined immunodeficiency syndrome (XSCID)	Gene replacement	[Progress bar: 40% complete]			Academic collaboration		IND submission	 GRAPHITE BIO
GPH301 Gaucher disease - Type 1	Targeted gene insertion	[Progress bar: 40% complete]			[Progress bar: 60% complete]		Advance with NGTC	 GRAPHITE BIO

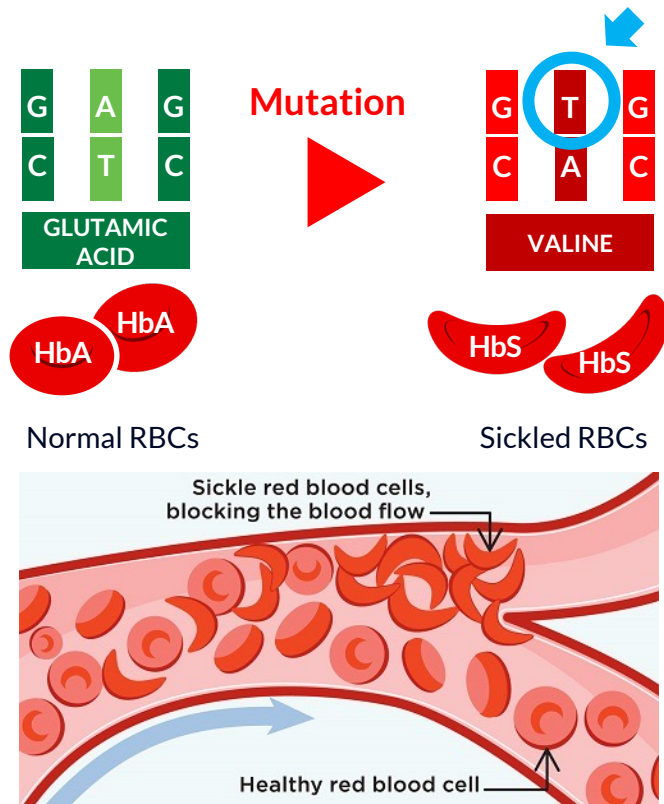




Sickle Cell Disease: Direct Correction of the Genetic Mutation To Restore Adult Hemoglobin Expression

Sickle cell disease is one of the most prevalent monogenic diseases

SCD is caused by a point mutation in the human beta-globin gene^{1,2}



About SCD

- Affects ~100,000 people in the U.S. and millions worldwide
- Carrier state essentially normal; protects against malarial infection

Lifelong complications and early mortality

- Results in hemolytic anemia, chronic pain, VOC, ACS, progressive end-organ damage and, ultimately, shortened lifespan¹⁻⁸
- 30-year reduced life expectancy in U.S.⁶

Limited treatment options

- The only available cure for SCD, allogeneic HSCT, carries significant risk and substantial burden⁹⁻¹¹
 - Lack of well-matched donors
 - Need for immunosuppression
 - Risk of graft-versus-host disease and graft rejection
- Currently available non-curative therapies are palliative and do not impact irreversible chronic organ damage or prevent early mortality

ACS, acute chest syndrome; HbA, adult hemoglobin; HbS, hemoglobin sickle cell; HSCT, hematopoietic stem cell transplant; RBC, red blood cell; SCD, sickle cell disease; VOC, vaso-occlusive crisis.

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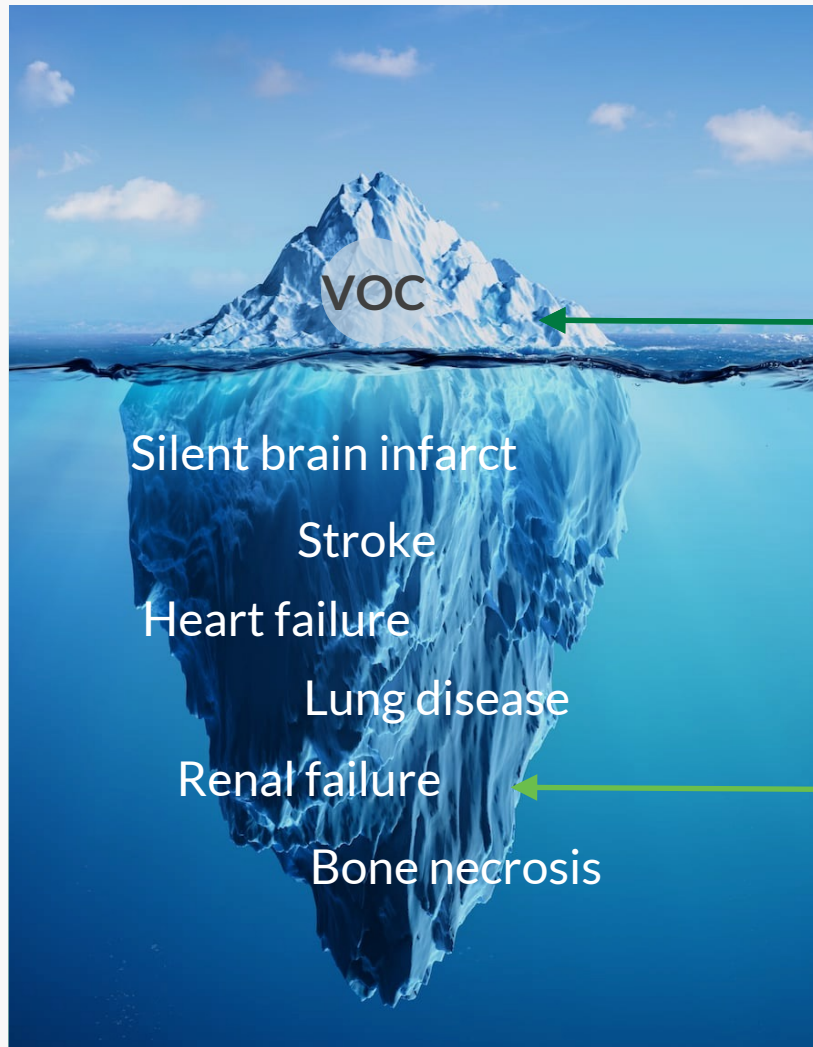
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Curing sickle cell requires more than reducing acute pain episodes

Gene correction has the potential to address all SCD morbidities



VOC

- The initial endpoint in clinical trials
- Experienced by some patients
- Reduction/elimination only addresses the tip of the iceberg of SCD morbidities

Organ Damage

- Leading indication for referral to transplant (stroke and silent infarct prevention)
- Leading cause of death among SCD complications
- No effective treatments

**Outcomes from
allo-HSCT**
(with normal or sickle trait donor)

Reduction/
elimination of VOC

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Prevention of progressive
organ damage

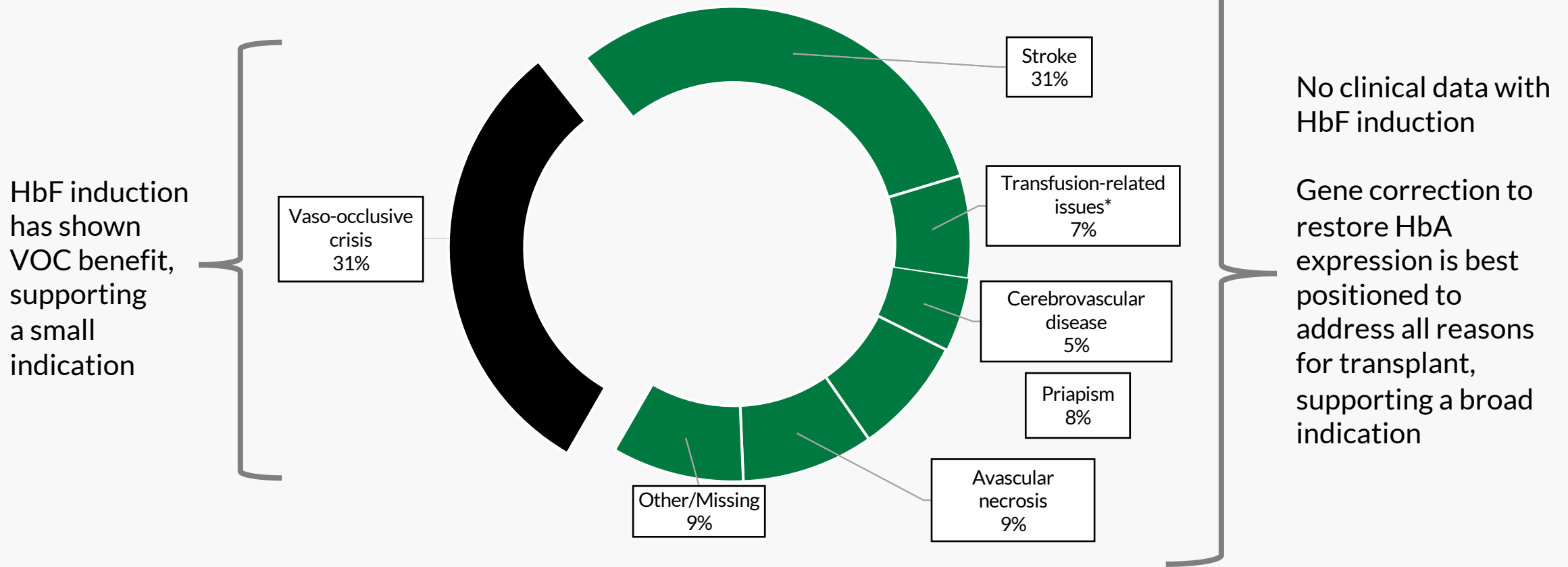
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CURE



Only a small proportion of patients are referred for transplant due to acute pain episodes

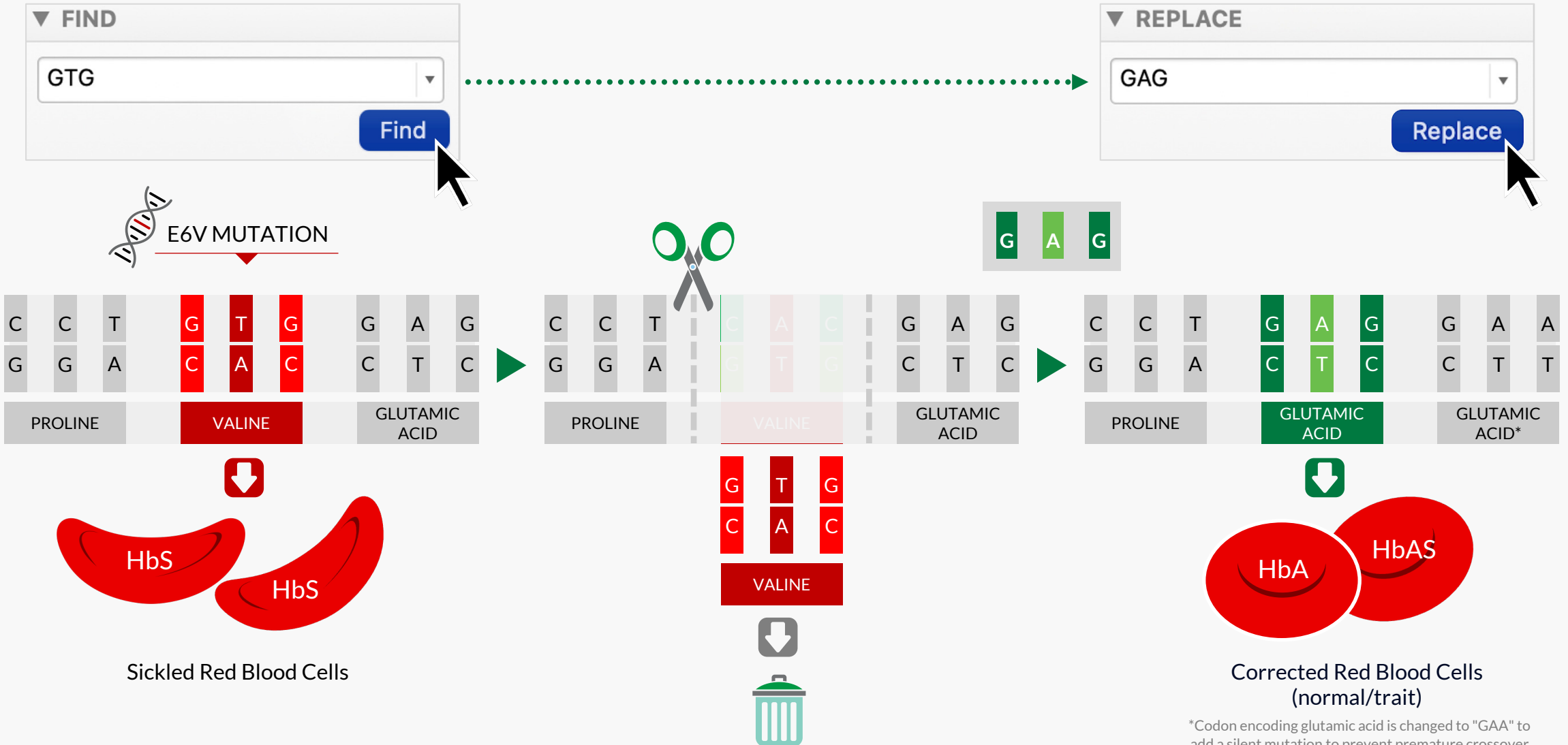
Reasons adults and adolescents are referred for allo-HSCT



*include excessive transfusion requirements, >2 alloantibodies and chronic transfusion
HbA, adult hemoglobin; HbF, fetal hemoglobin; allo-HSCT, allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation; VOC, vaso-occlusive crisis.
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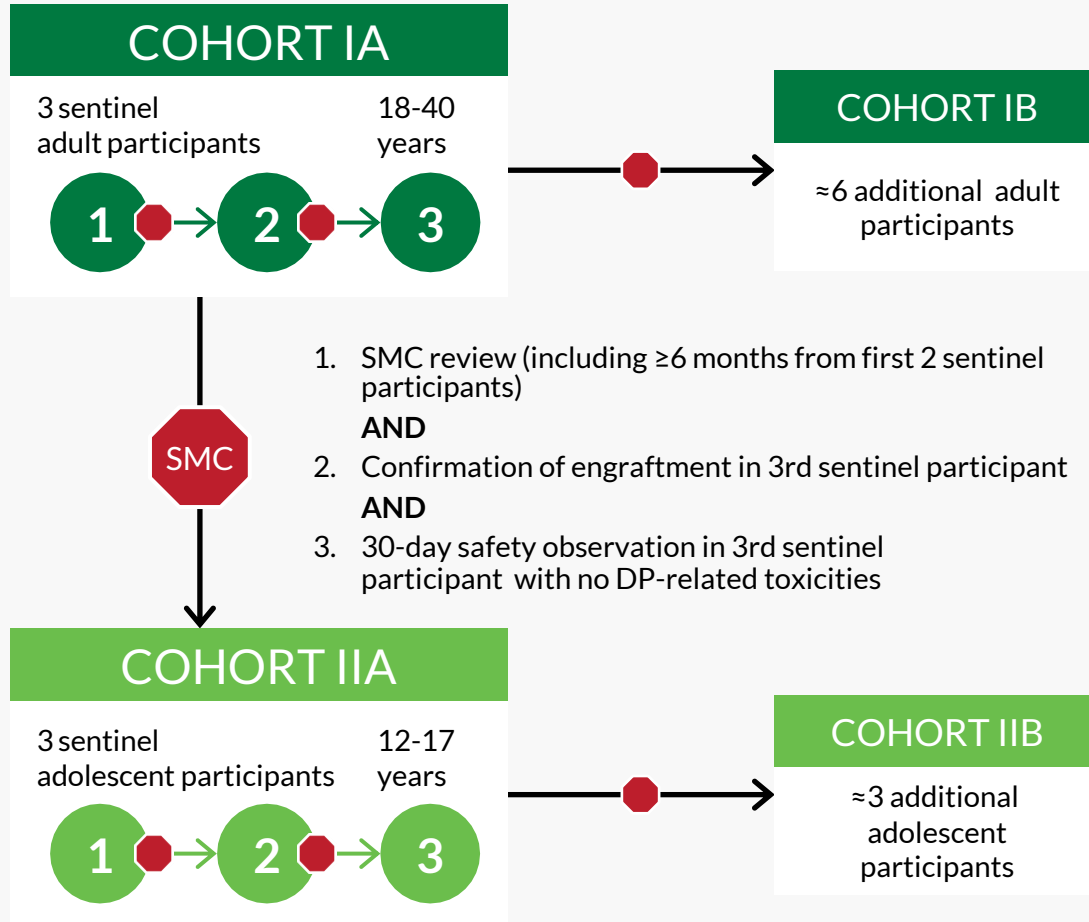
Our approach: Precisely correct the disease-causing mutation in the beta-globin gene to reduce HbS and restore HbA expression



*Codon encoding glutamic acid is changed to "GAA" to add a silent mutation to prevent premature crossover



nula-cel Phase 1/2 CEDAR clinical trial design



● Engraftment and 30 days with no DP-related toxicities before treating the next participant



Primary Objective

Evaluate the safety of treatment with nula-cel in participants with severe SCD



Secondary Objectives

Evaluate the efficacy and pharmacodynamics of treatment with nula-cel in participants with severe SCD

- Levels of HbA, HbS, and total Hb
- Measurements of peripheral myeloid gene correction in cells
- Episodes of VOC and ACS following nula-cel infusion



Exploratory Objectives

Evaluate PROs, erythrocyte function, characterization of gene correction rates, and change from baseline in select SCD characteristics and organ function

- Cerebral hemodynamics and oxygen delivery (by MRA/MRI)
- Improvements in SCD-related events and changes in organ function (e.g., heart, brain, kidney, liver)
- Measurements of RBC health and function
- Characterization of gene correction rates



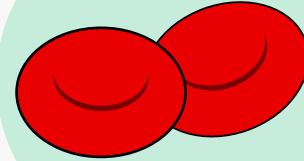
Building evidence to support nula-cel's differentiation using translational and clinical endpoints



Initial clinical data

Assessed using established tests and endpoints

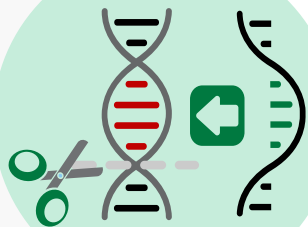
- Total Hb, levels of HbA and HbS
- Reticulocytes and other hemolysis markers
- Clinical events like VOCs and ACS



RBC health

Assays to demonstrate normalization of RBC function and pancellular protection

- HbA/HbS distribution in each RBC*
- Oxygen affinity*
- RBC sickling, deformability and "stickiness"*



Gene correction

Characterize gene correction rates in various types of blood cells

- White blood cells
- Reticulocytes*
- Bone marrow-derived cells



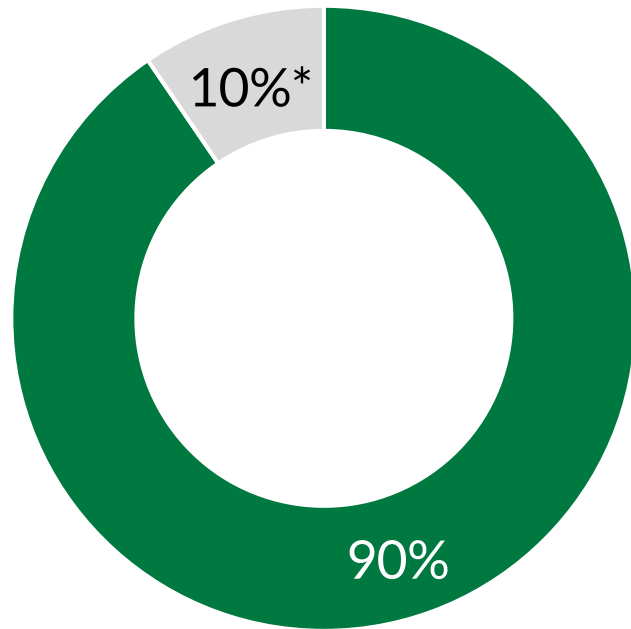
End organ damage

Endpoints to demonstrate impact on the brain

- TCD velocity, a clinically validated and regulatory endpoint, to assess risk of stroke*
- Cerebral blood flow to assess risk of silent infarcts*
- Measurement of cognitive function*



Gene correction to restore HbA expression viewed as the ideal genetic outcome by KOLs and physicians



- Most preferred gene correction as it could **correct the underlying sickle cell mutation** by converting HbS production to HbA
- Gene correction seen as potentially more efficacious and durable

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Correction of the sickle cell mutation to normal hemoglobin A – this is the ideal genetic outcome.

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– KOL at Graphite Bio’s SCD Gene Correction Webinar

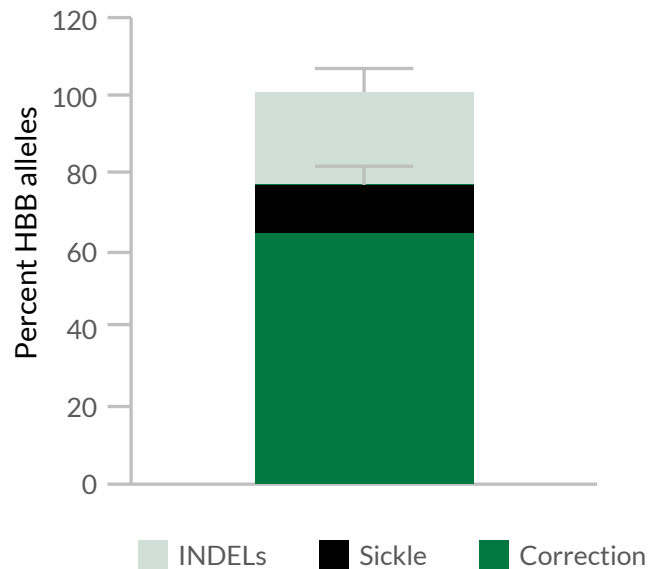
N = 21 (16 KOLs, 5 physicians) who treat SCD. KOLs and physicians were probed on the theoretical treatment strategy and were not shown efficacy or safety data. *Those who did not select gene correction expressed uncertainty around probability of technical success.

HbA, adult hemoglobin; HbS, sickle hemoglobin; KOL, key opinion leader; SCD, sickle cell disease.



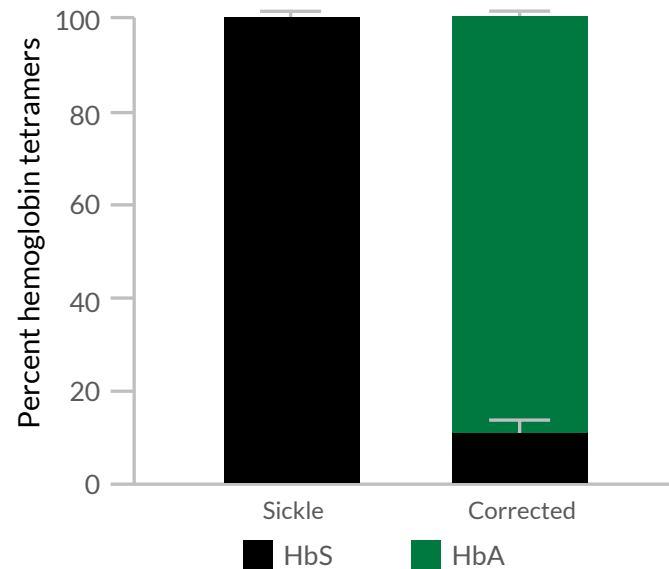
nula-cel preclinical gene correction data show potential to deliver similar outcomes to allo-HSCT and restore curative sickle trait biology

High-efficiency gene correction in SCD patient HSPCs¹



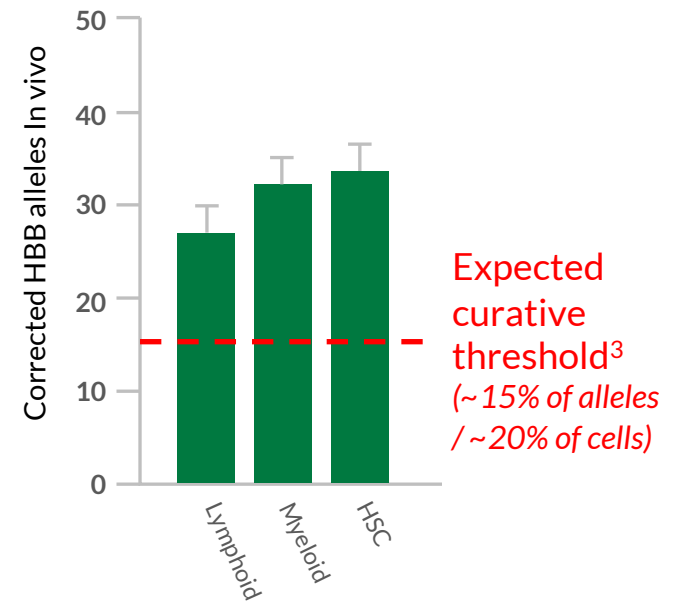
Gene correction efficiency in SCD patient derived HSPCs exceed expected curative threshold (n=6 experiments, 2 patient donors)

Elimination of HbS and restoration of HbA



RBC differentiation *ex vivo*, >90% normal hemoglobin⁴ (n=6 experiments, 2 patient donors)

Corrected stem cells engraft *in vivo* at >2x curative threshold



Edited HSCs show long-term persistence, multilineage production (16 weeks) (n=7 mice)

Source: Lattanzi, Roncarolo, Dever, & Porteus. Development of β -globin gene correction in human hematopoietic stem cells as a potential durable treatment for sickle cell disease. *Sci. Transl. Med.* 13, eabf2444 (2021).

1. HSPCs - CD34+ hematopoietic stem and progenitor cells.

2. HSC - hematopoietic stem cells capable of long-term engraftment and multilineage differentiation.

3. Magnani et al. Extensive multilineage analysis in patients with mixed chimerism after allogeneic transplantation for sickle cell disease: insight into hematopoiesis and engraftment thresholds for gene therapy. *Haematologica*, (2019). Fitzhugh et al. *Blood* 2017 Oct 26;130(17):1946-1948. curative threshold approximately 15% alleles / 20% cells.

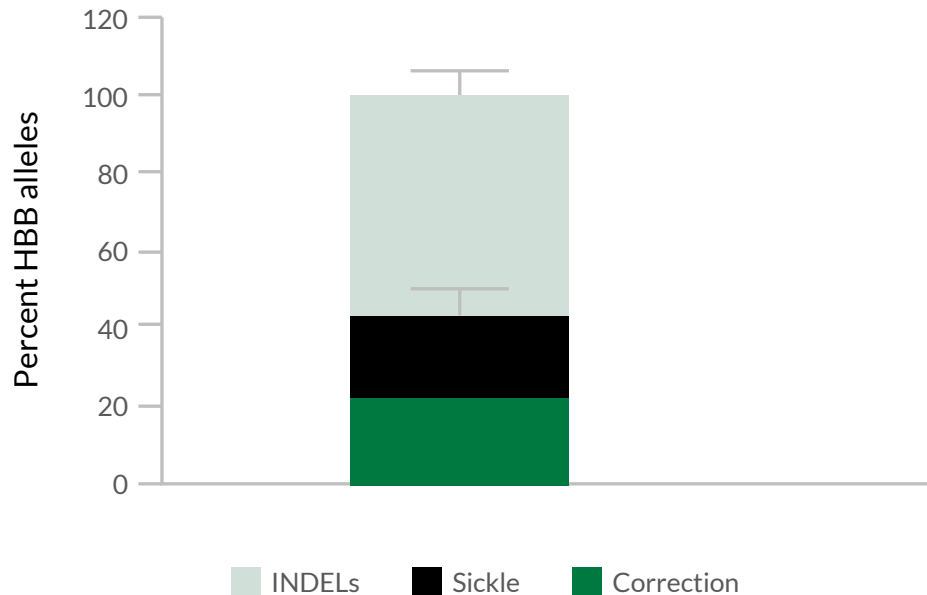
4. Background HbF not included for ease of comparison. HbS is sickle hemoglobin protein. HbA is normal adult hemoglobin protein.



SCD mice achieving curative gene correction threshold show dramatic improvements in HbA expression

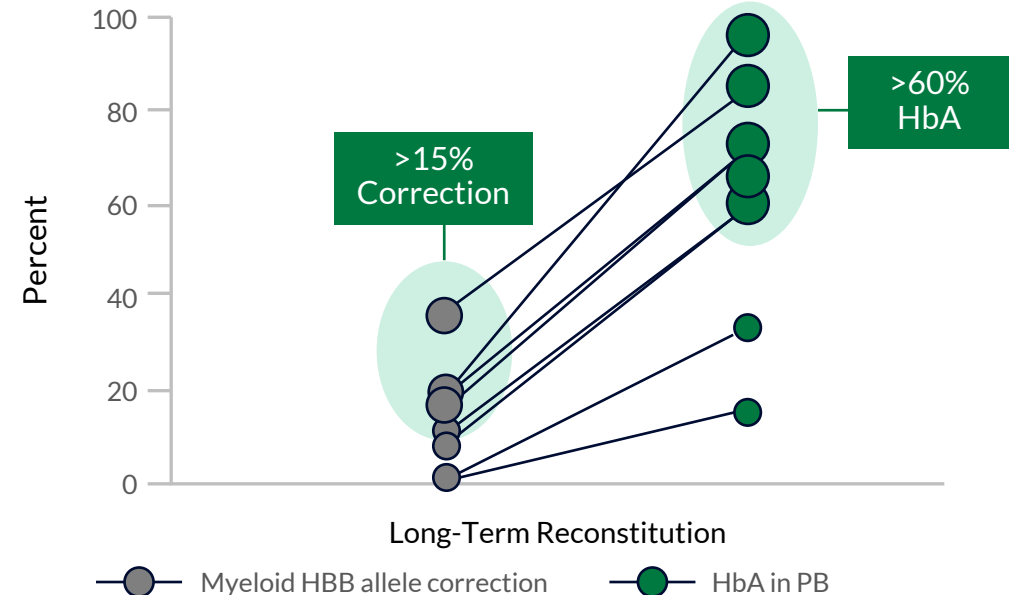
Townes Mouse
(high bar SCD model)

Correct mutation in sickle mouse HSCs



Less efficient than human (process not optimized for mouse cells) (n=8 experiments)

Measure HSC *in vivo* function



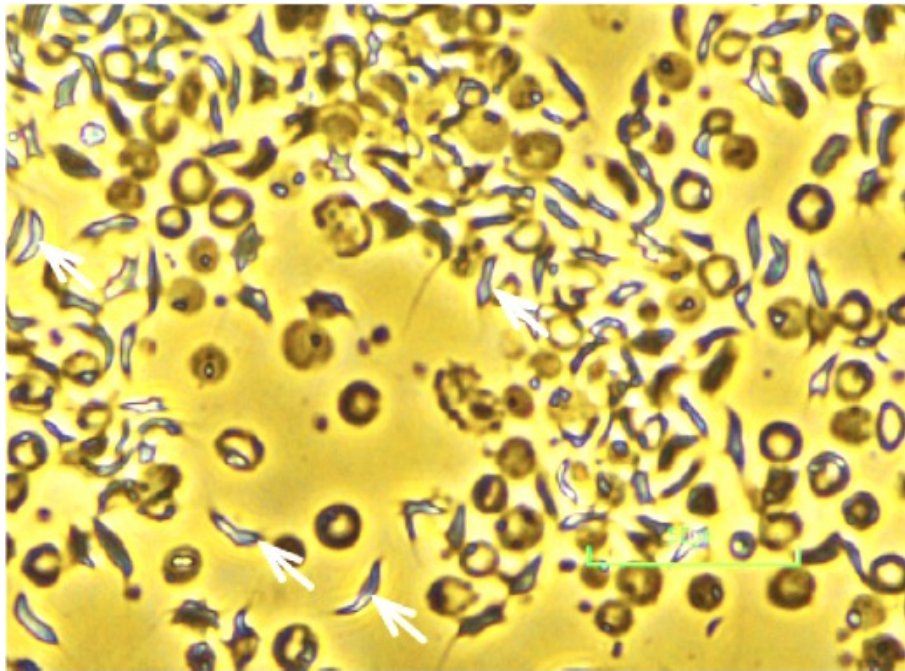
1. Gene corrected HSCs engraft (myeloid correction)
2. Survival bias for corrected RBCs leads to \uparrow HbA



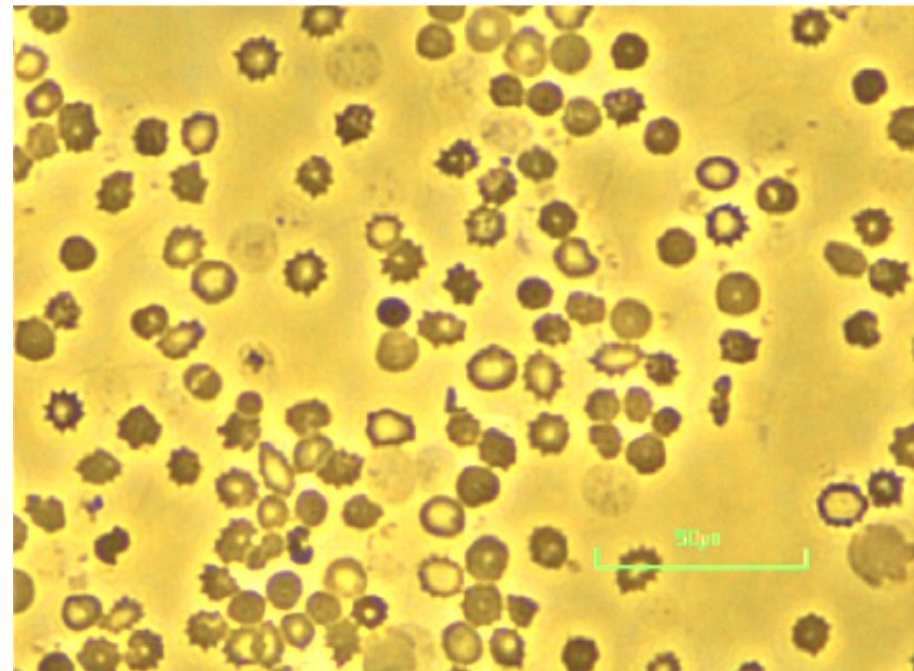
Gene correction eliminates red blood cell sickling

Townes Mouse
(high bar SCD model)

HBB-Sickle



Mouse A (HBB-corrected)



Metabisulphite assay

Eliminates sickling and restores normal RBC lifespan¹

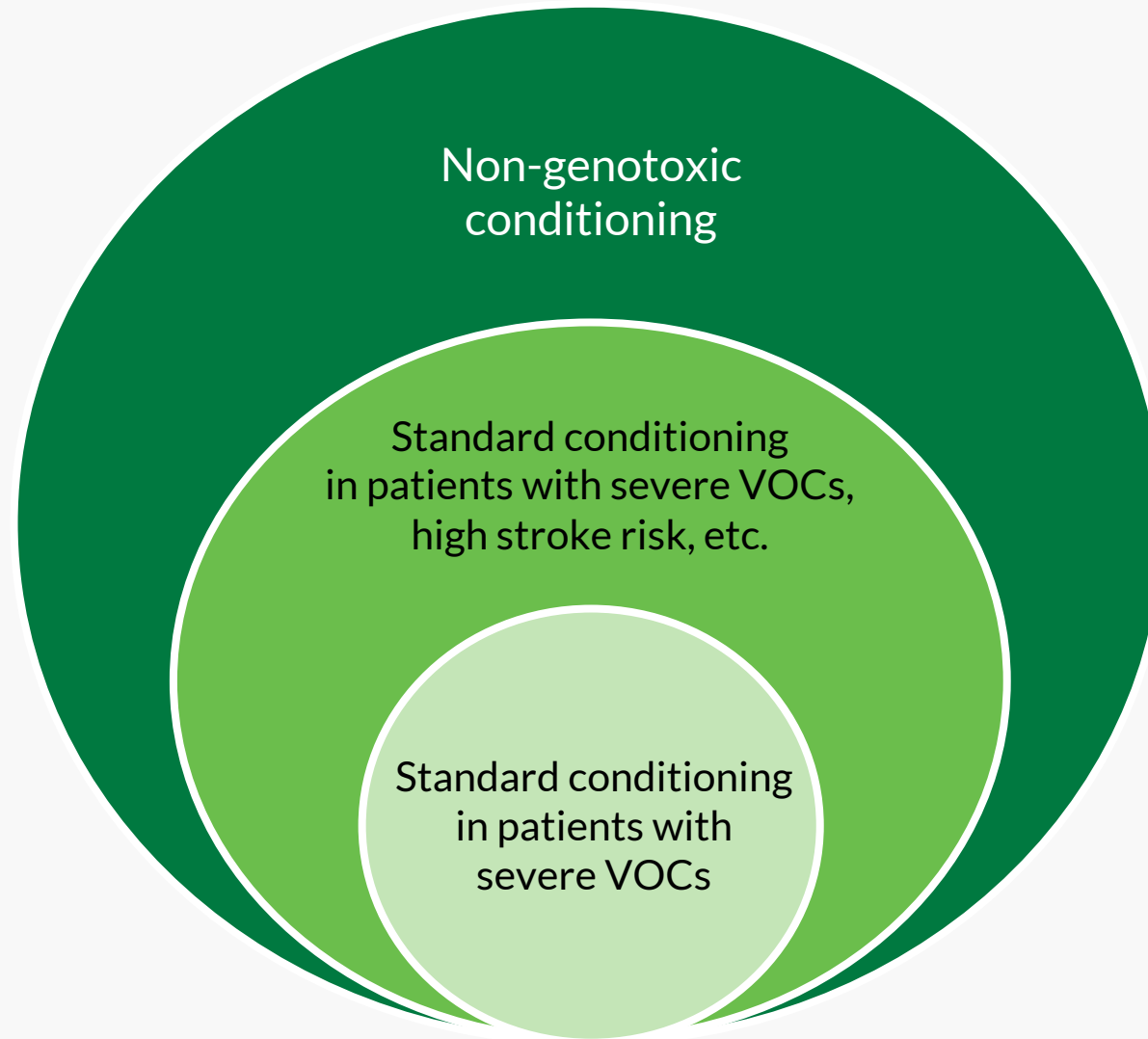
Source Wilkinson, Dever et al. Cas9-AAV6 gene correction of beta-globin in autologous HSCs improves sickle cell disease erythropoiesis in mice. Nature Communications 12, 686 (2021).

1. Red blood cell (RBC) half-life sickle mouse 2.3 days, gene corrected mouse up to 19 days, wild type 25 days (normal from literature ~16 days). Belcher et al., ISRN Oxidative Medicine, 2013, 1-9.






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Addressing all SCD morbidities plus advancements in conditioning can significantly increase the number of patients who can benefit from nula-cel



Gene correction with nula-cel is highly differentiated from indirect approaches and has high potential for cure

	Cure with allo-HSCT 	Gene correction with nula-cel 	Transgenic globin addition 	CRISPR HbF induction 	Base editing conversion to variant 
Directly correct the SCD-causing genetic mutation	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
Restore HbA expression	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
Directly reduce HbS production	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓
Reduce/eliminate VOCs	✓	Initial POC data anticipated in mid-2023	✓	✓	Unknown
Demonstrate normalization of RBC function and pancellular protection	✓		Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Prevent progression of end organ damage	✓		Unknown	Unknown	Unknown

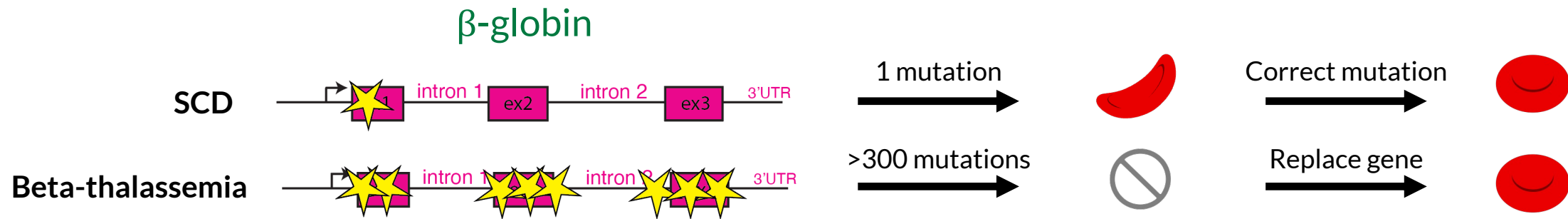




Gene Replacement and Targeted Gene Insertion Programs

Beta-thalassemia gene replacement: Targeting the beta-globin gene to restore HbA expression

Harnessing synergies across our UltraHDR™ platform to uniquely restore gene function



About beta-thalassemia

- Inherited blood disorder characterized by reduced levels of functional hemoglobin¹
- Caused by more than 300+ mutations in the beta-globin gene²
- ~68,000 people born with disease each year worldwide³
- Individuals with severe disease begin receiving medical attention between 6-24 months of age³
- 80-90 million people around the world reported to be carriers³

Urgent medical need

- Results in anemia requiring frequent red blood cell transfusions, with severe patients needing blood every 2-4 weeks⁴
- 70% of deaths are caused by cardiac complications due to iron overload as a result of the disease and chronic blood transfusions⁴

Synergistic with SCD gene correction program

- Complementary beta-hemoglobinopathy patient populations
- Identical gRNA and HiFi Cas9 gene editing components

HbA, adult hemoglobin; SCD, sickle cell disease.

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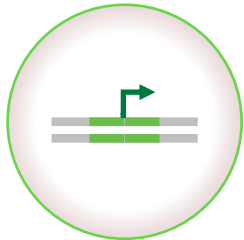
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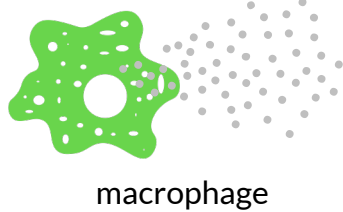
Beyond genetic blood and immune disease: Targeted gene insertion to enable potentially permanent therapeutic protein production

CCR5 locus – Tissue specific protein production (exogenous promoter)

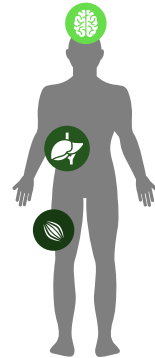
Targeted gene insertion



Lineage-specific expression



Organ-specific expression



Lysosomal storage diseases

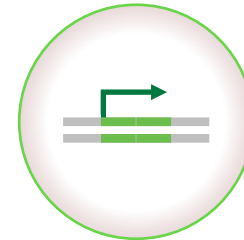
- Gaucher*
- MPS*
- Krabbe*
- Pompe
- Fabry

CNS therapeutic protein delivery

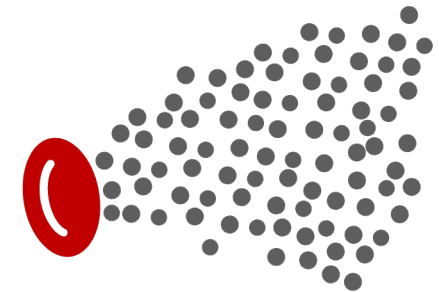
- GBA Parkinson's
- Progranulin
- Antibodies

α -globin locus – produce high plasma protein levels (endogenous promoter)

Targeted gene insertion



RBC-specific expression



- Alpha-1 antitrypsin (AAT) deficiency
- Hemophilia A/B
- PKU



Graphite Bio: Realizing the full promise of gene editing



Powerful Next-Generation UltraHDR™ Gene Editing Platform

- Harnessing the power of **high-efficiency homology directed repair** to fulfill the original goal of CRISPR gene editing
- “Find & replace” genes anywhere in the genome – correct, replace, insert
- Preclinical validation across a wide range of cell types and diseases



Robust Pipeline of Potential One-Time Cures

- Initial focus on HSC-based cures for serious and life-threatening diseases
- **First-in-industry approach to directly correct** the sickle cell mutation
- Nulabeglogene autogedtemcel (nula-cel), formerly GPH101, **initial POC data anticipated mid-2023**
- R&D programs designed to validate broad platform capabilities



Poised to Deliver for Patients

- Founded by Stanford University genetic medicine pioneers
- Experienced management team and board with track record of developing innovative therapies
- \$328.3 million in cash, cash equivalents and investments in marketable securities (as of 6/30/2022); **cash runway into 4Q 2024**



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