



# Creating transformative gene-based medicines for serious diseases

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Leading gene editing company focused on translating revolutionary CRISPR/Cas9 technology into transformative therapies



**Advancing CRISPR in the clinic** with CTX001™ in  $\beta$ -thalassemia and sickle cell disease



**Next-generation immuno-oncology platform** underlying wholly-owned, potentially best-in-class gene-edited allogeneic cell therapies CTX110™, CTX120™ and CTX130™



**Enabling regenerative medicine 2.0** with CRISPR/Cas9-edited allogeneic stem cells



**Advancing *in vivo* applications** based on in-licensed technologies, platform improvement and strategic partnerships

# The CRISPR/Cas9 Revolution

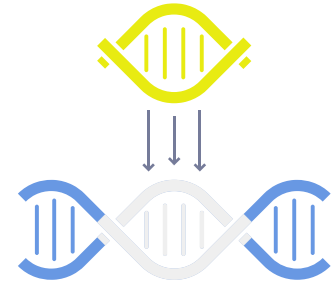
A **SPECIFIC**, **EFFICIENT** and **VERSATILE** tool for editing genes



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*“If scientists can dream of a genetic manipulation,  
CRISPR can now make it happen”*

Science

# Our Pipeline



PROGRAM	RESEARCH	IND-ENABLING	CLINICAL	MARKETED	STATUS	PARTNER	STRUCTURE
<div> Hemoglobinopathies</div>							
CTX001™: β-thalassemia	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>				Enrolling	<div></div>	Collaboration
CTX001™: Sickle cell disease (SCD)	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>				Enrolling		Collaboration
<div> Immuno-oncology</div>							
CTX110™: Anti-CD19 allogeneic CAR-T	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>				Enrolling		Wholly-owned
CTX120™: Anti-BCMA allogeneic CAR-T	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>				Enrolling		Wholly-owned
CTX130™: Anti-CD70 allogeneic CAR-T	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>						Wholly-owned
<div> Regenerative medicine</div>							
Type I diabetes mellitus	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>					<div></div>	Collaboration
<div> In vivo approaches</div>							
Glycogen storage disease Ia (GSD Ia)	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>					<div></div>	Wholly-owned
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Myotonic dystrophy type 1 (DM1)	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>						Collaboration
Cystic fibrosis (CF)	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>						License

Additional undisclosed, early stage programs subject to collaboration or license agreements with Vertex and Bayer



# Hemoglobinopathies – Devastating Blood Diseases

## Sickle Cell Disease (SCD) and $\beta$ -Thalassemia

Blood disorders caused by mutations  
in the  $\beta$ -globin gene



Sickled



Normal Cell



Thalassemic

Significant worldwide burden

ANNUAL BIRTHS

300K

SCD



60K

$\beta$ -thalassemia

High morbidity and mortality



Anemia



Pain



Early death

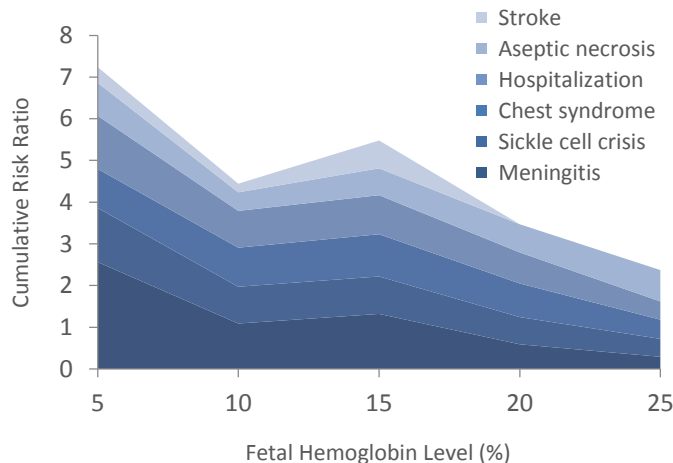
Heavy burden of patient care



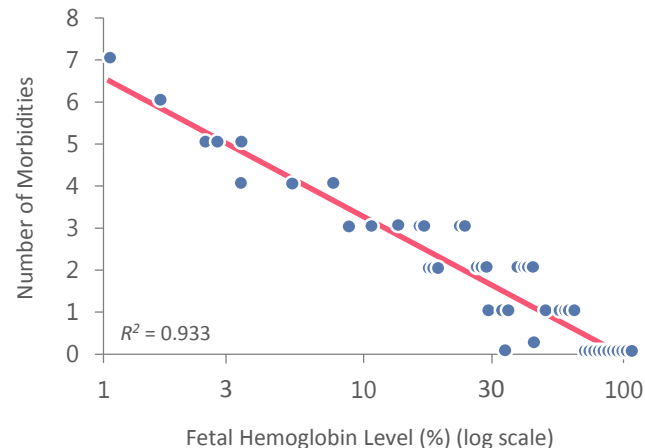
Frequent transfusions and hospitalizations

# Our Approach – Upregulating Fetal Hemoglobin

## Symptoms in SCD and $\beta$ -Thalassemia Decrease as HbF Level Increases



Powars, et al. Blood 1984



Musallam, et al. Blood 2012

- **Naturally occurring genetic variants** cause a condition known as **hereditary persistence of fetal hemoglobin (HPFH)**, which **leads to reduced or no symptoms** in patients with SCD and  $\beta$ -thalassemia
- **Our gene editing strategy aims to mimic these variants in symptomatic patients**, an approach supported by well-understood genetics

# Pioneering CRISPR Trials



## Design

Phase 1/2, international, multi-center, open-label, single arm studies to assess the safety and efficacy of CTX001 in patients with  $\beta$ -thalassemia and SCD, respectively

## Target enrollment

45 patients between 18 - 35 years of age with transfusion dependent thalassemia (TDT), including  $\beta^0/\beta^0$  genotypes

45 patients between 18 - 35 years of age with severe SCD and a history of  $\geq 2$  vaso-occlusive crises/year over the previous two years

## Primary endpoint

Proportion of patients achieving sustained transfusion reduction for at least 6 months starting 3 months after CTX001 infusion

Proportion of patients with HbF  $\geq 20\%$ , sustained for at least 3 months starting 6 months after CTX001 infusion

**Potential to expand into registrational trials**, as well as into additional age cohorts, if supported by safety and efficacy



# First Patient Successfully Treated in CLIMB THAL-111



## Patient baseline

Genotype	$\beta^0$ /IVS-I-110
Gender	F
Age at consent, years	19
Pre-study pRBC transfusions, episodes/year <sup>2</sup>	16.5

## Treatment characteristics

- Successful engraftment<sup>1</sup>
  - Neutrophil engraftment at study day 33
  - Platelet engraftment at study day 37
- Initial safety profile consistent with myeloablative busulfan conditioning and autologous HSCT
- 2 SAEs occurred, neither considered related to CTX001 by study investigator, both resolved:
  - Veno-occlusive liver disease attributed to busulfan conditioning
  - Pneumonia in the presence of neutropenia

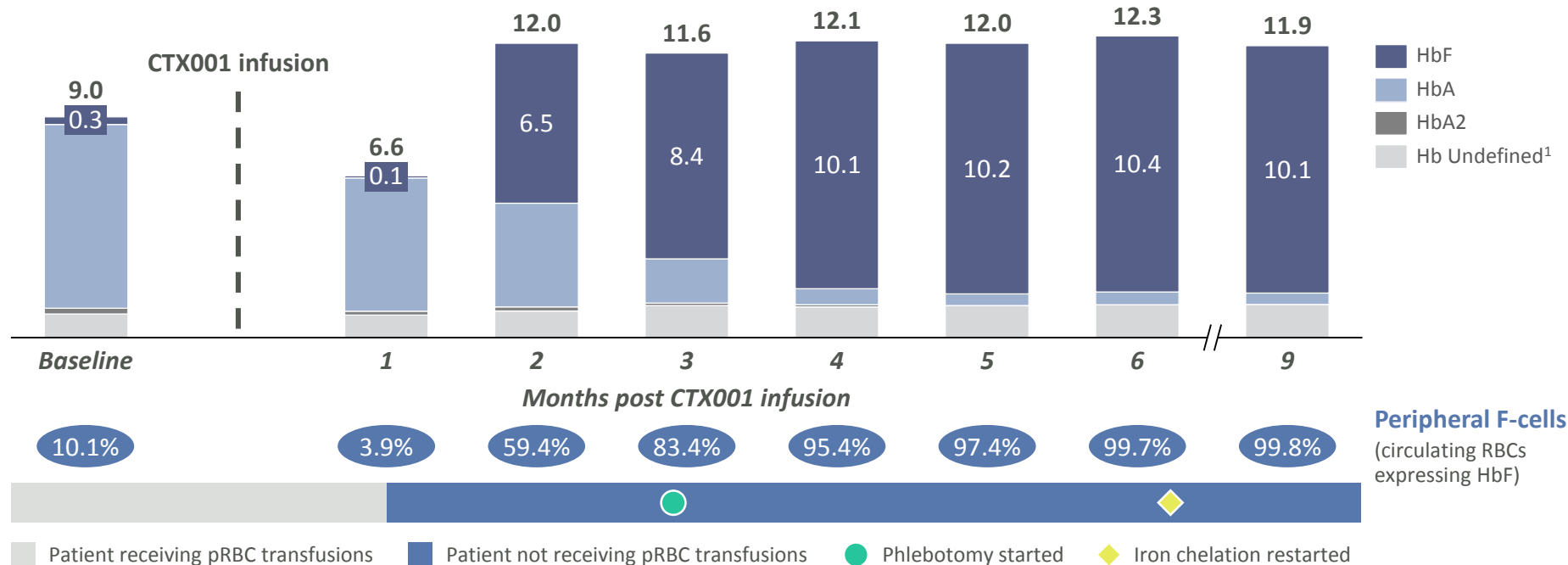
Data disclosed November 19, 2019

<sup>1</sup> Neutrophil engraftment defined as absolute neutrophil count  $\geq 500$  cells/ $\mu$ L for three consecutive days, and platelet engraftment defined as unsupported platelet count  $\geq 20,000$ / $\mu$ L

<sup>2</sup> Annualized rate during the two years prior to consenting for the study

# First TDT Patient Treated is Transfusion Free with Sustained HbF > 10 g/dL

Hemoglobin fractionation over time pre and post CTX001 infusion, Hemoglobin (g/dL)



Data disclosed November 19, 2019

1 Hb adducts and other variants

# First Patient Successfully Treated in CLIMB SCD-121

## Patient baseline

Genotype	$\beta^s/\beta^s$
Gender	F
Age at consent, years	33
Pre-study VOCs, VOCs/year <sup>2</sup>	7

## Treatment characteristics

- Successful engraftment<sup>1</sup>
  - Neutrophil engraftment at study day 30
  - Platelet engraftment at study day 30
- Initial safety profile consistent with myeloablative busulfan conditioning and autologous HSCT
- 3 SAEs occurred, none considered related to CTX001 by study investigator, all resolved:
  - Sepsis in the presence of neutropenia
  - Cholelithiasis
  - Abdominal pain

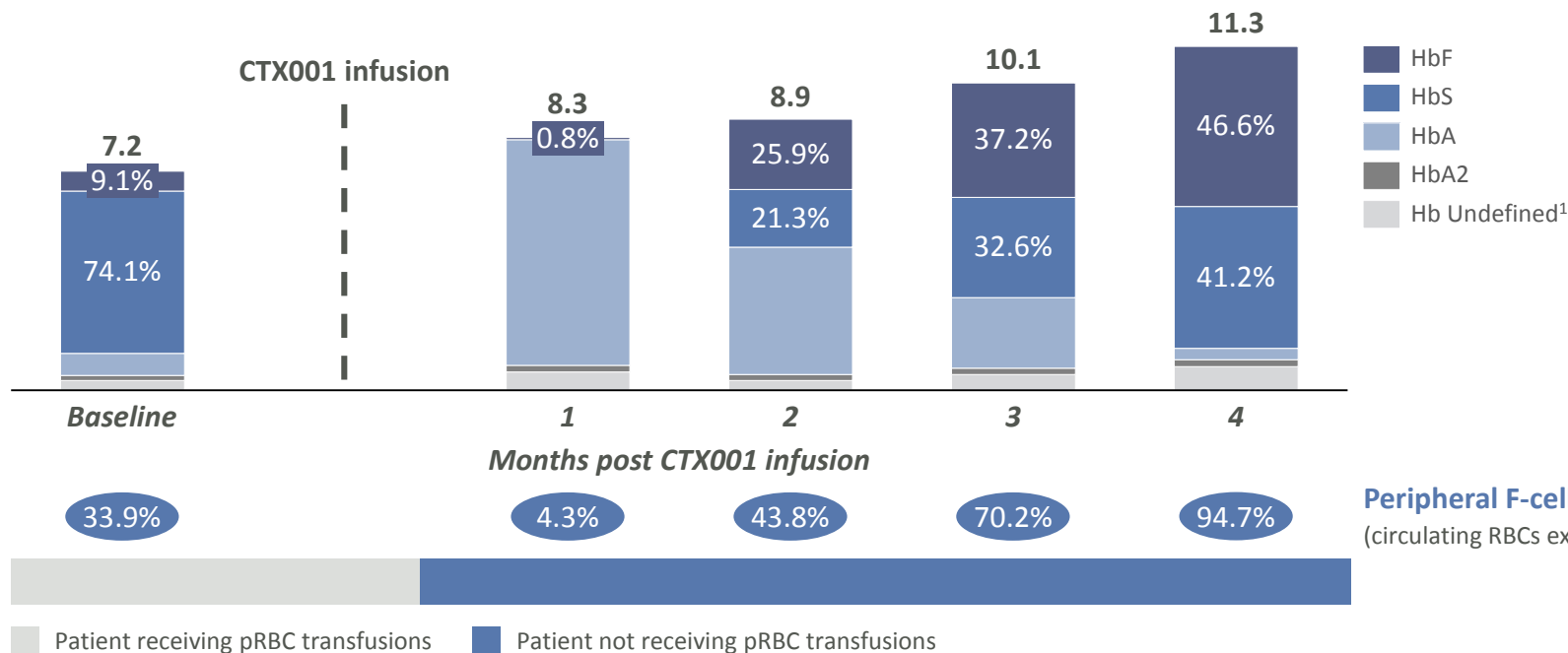
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<sup>1</sup> Neutrophil engraftment defined as absolute neutrophil count  $\geq 500$  cells/ $\mu$ L for three consecutive days, and platelet engraftment defined as unsupported platelet count  $\geq 50,000$ / $\mu$ L

<sup>2</sup> Annualized rate during the two years prior to consenting for the study

# First SCD Patient Treated had 46.6% HbF at 4 Months after CTX001 Infusion

Hemoglobin fractionation over time pre and post CTX001 infusion, % of total g/dL hemoglobin



Patient has had no reported VOCs since CTX001 infusion

# CRISPR Enables the Next Generation of I/O Cell Therapy



## ALLOGENEIC CAR-T

- Off-the-shelf
- More potent starting material
- More consistent product
- Broader access
- Flexible dosing (e.g., re-dosing)

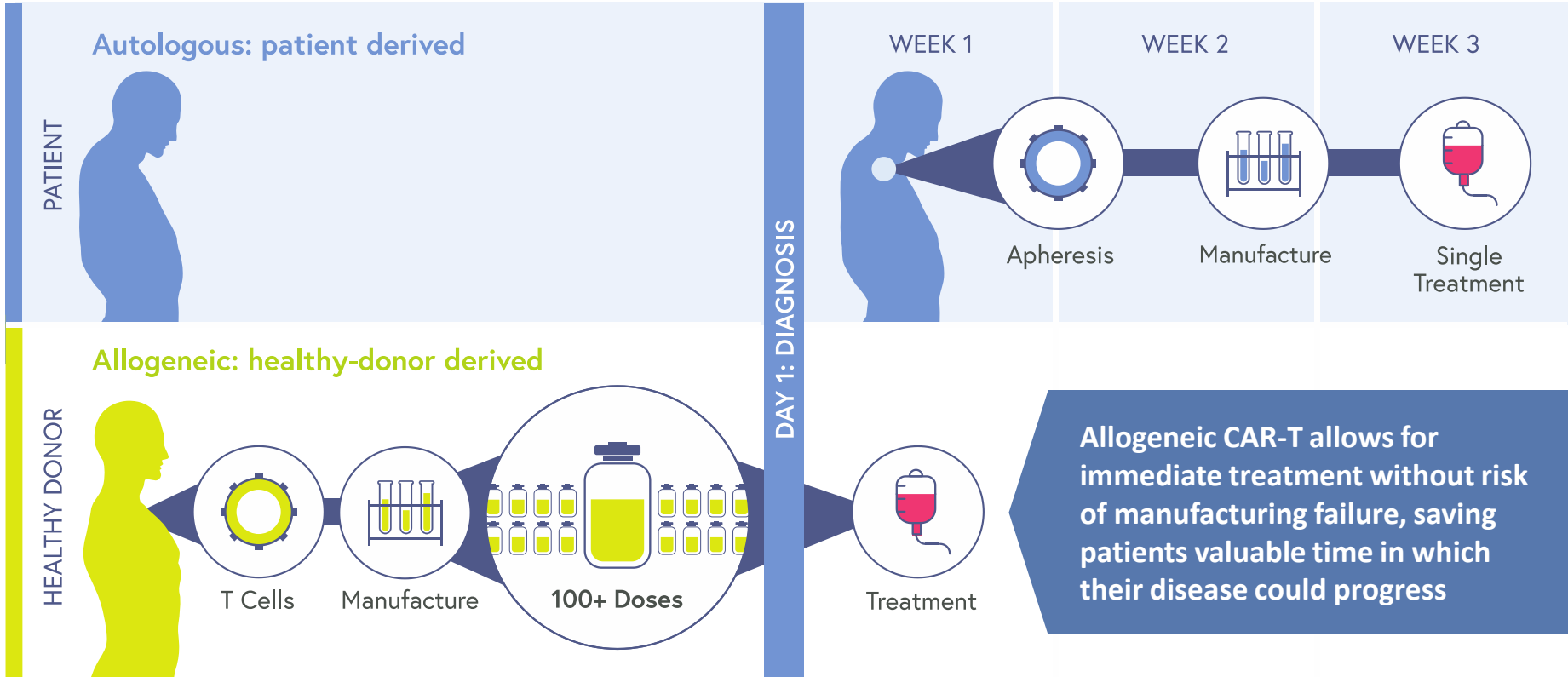
## SOLID TUMOR EFFICACY

- Avoid exhaustion
- Modulate suppressive TMEs
- Target tumors with greater selectivity
- Sense and respond via genetic circuits
- Recruit endogenous immunity

# Allogeneic CAR-T Therapy Has Transformative Potential

## Before Patient Diagnosis

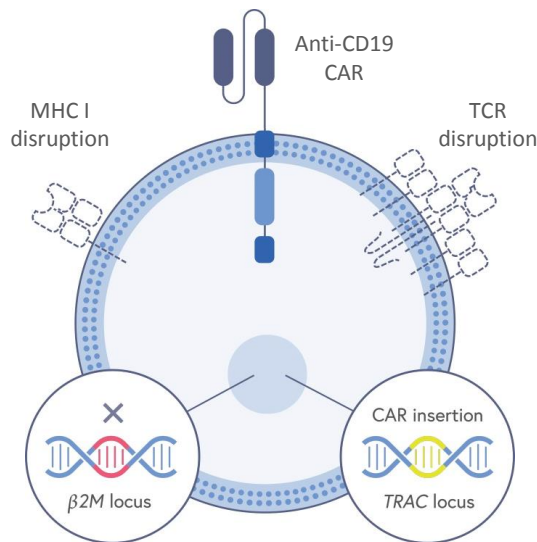
## After Patient Diagnosis



# CRISPR-Edited Allogeneic T Cell Design

## Initial Allogeneic CAR-T Candidate – CTX110

- **Improve persistence in the allo setting** with  $\beta$ 2M knock-out to eliminate MHC I expression

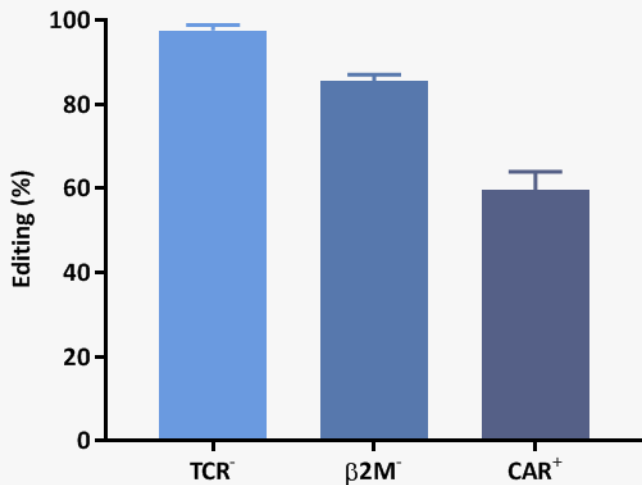


- **Prevent GvHD** via TCR disruption
- **Improve safety and potency by precise insertion** of CAR construct into *TRAC* locus

Multiplex editing in one step

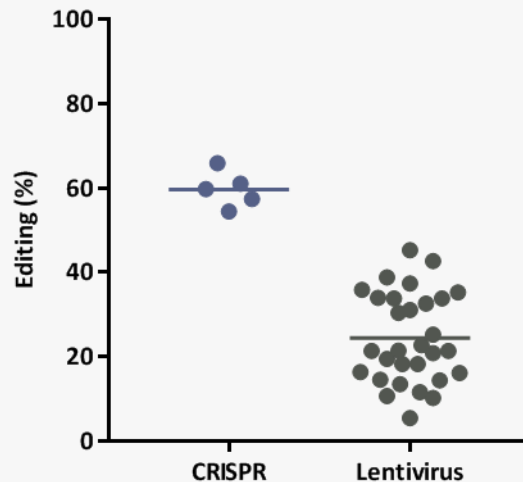
# CRISPR Editing Allows for a More Consistent Product

## Precise and Efficient Editing to Produce CTX110



**Consistently high** editing across **5 different donors**  
**>50% of cells have all three desired edits**

## Greater Consistency than Viral Approaches



**54-66%** CAR<sup>+</sup> range with CRISPR  
vs. **6-45%** for lentiviral CAR-T<sup>1</sup>

1. Maude, *et al.* NEJM 2014



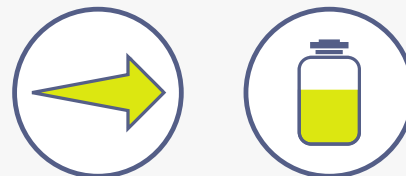
# Initial Allogeneic CAR-T Trials for CTX110 and CTX120

**CRSP-ONC-001 and CRSP-ONC-002: Single-arm trials to assess the safety and efficacy of CTX110 and CTX120, respectively**



## Patients and Sites

- CTX110 – Subjects with relapsed or refractory (r/r) B-cell malignancies, starting with adult patients with r/r non-Hodgkin lymphoma
- CTX120 – Subjects with r/r multiple myeloma
- Conducted at sites with CAR-T or cell therapy experience



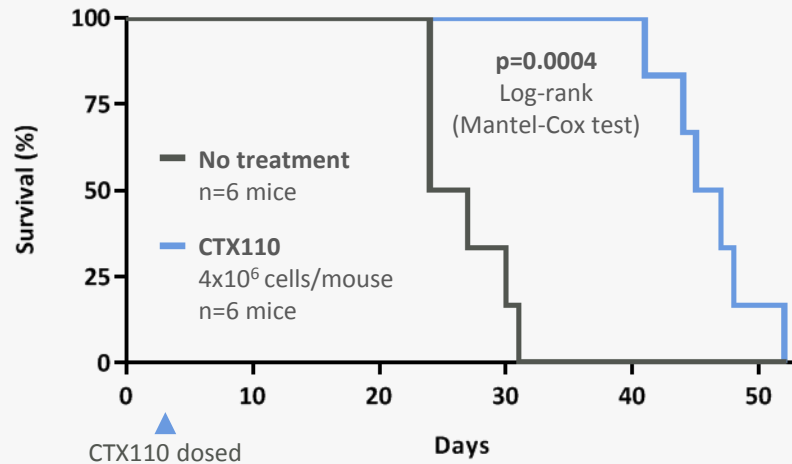
## Trial Design and Dosing

- Dose escalation followed by dose expansion cohort
- Allogeneic CAR-T enables simplified trial design with short screening timeframe, no apheresis, no bridging chemo, and on-site availability of CAR-T cell product
- Lymphodepleting chemotherapy regimen administered before CAR-T infusion

# CTX110/CTX120 – Novel Approach Against Validated Targets

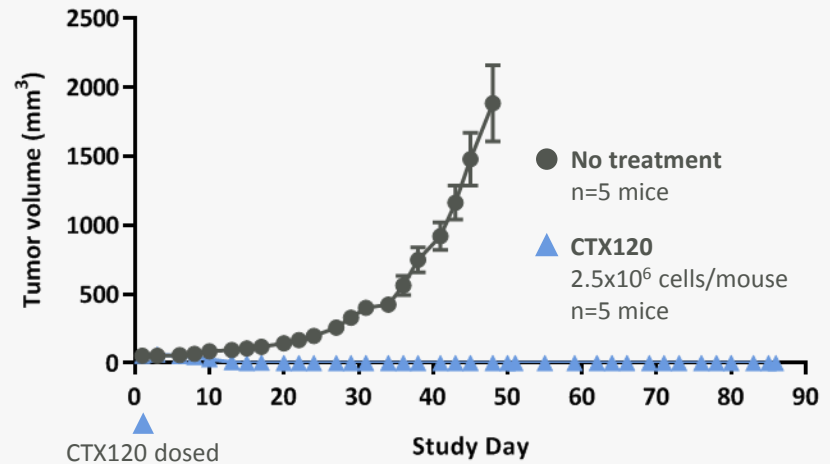
## CTX110 – Anti-CD19 Allogeneic CAR-T

Prolonged survival in disseminated Nalm6 B-ALL xenograft tumor model



## CTX120 – Anti-BCMA Allogeneic CAR-T

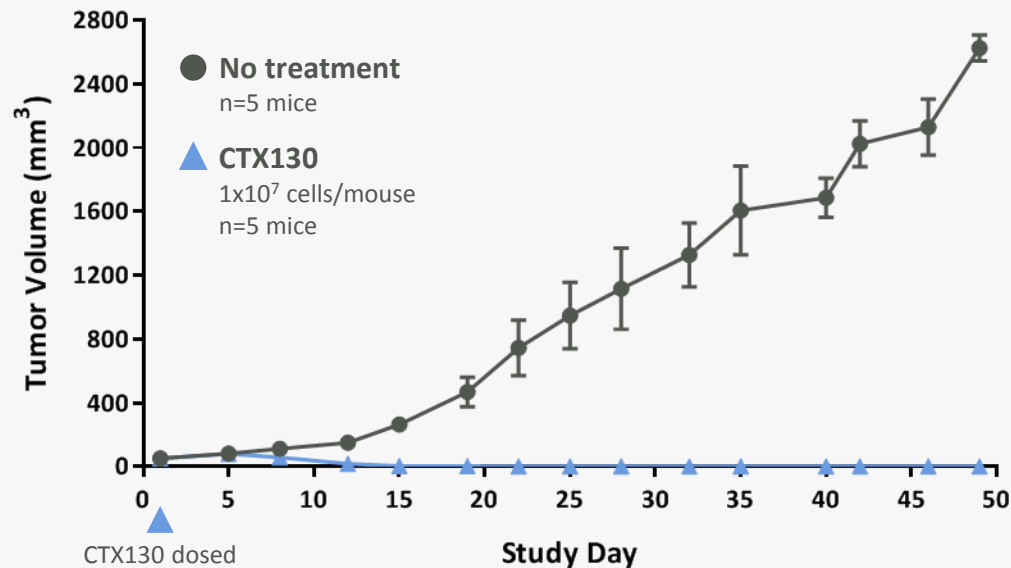
Subcutaneous RPMI-8226 multiple myeloma model completely eliminated



**Strong anti-tumor activity observed with healthy donor-derived CAR-T cells – potential for better outcomes than autologous CAR-T given poor health of patient T cells**

# CTX130 – Anti-CD70 Program as a Bridge to Solid Tumors

## Subcutaneous A498 Renal Cell Carcinoma Model Completely Eliminated



## CTX130

- Anti-CD70 allogeneic CAR-T
- Additional editing beyond TCR and  $\beta$ 2M knock-outs
- For both heme and solid tumors

## Strong rationale for targeting CD70 for solid tumors

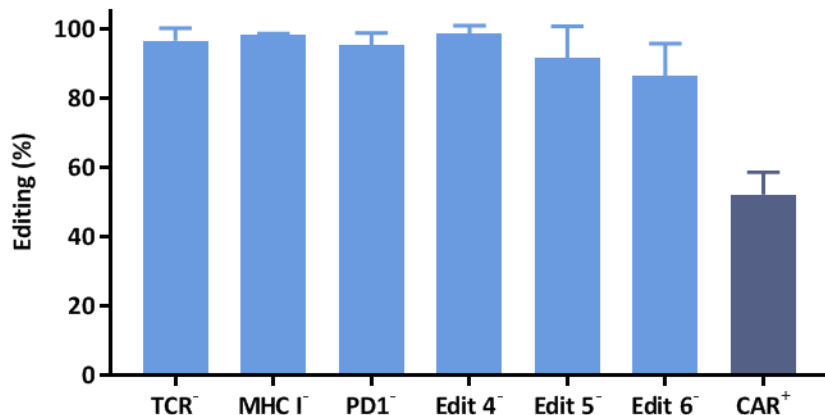
- Initial focus on clear cell renal cell carcinoma – immune-infiltrated disease and >80% CD70-positive
- Minimal CD70 expression on healthy tissues<sup>1</sup>

1. Adam, *et al.* Br J Cancer 2006

# Rapid Generation of Novel Candidates Using CRISPR

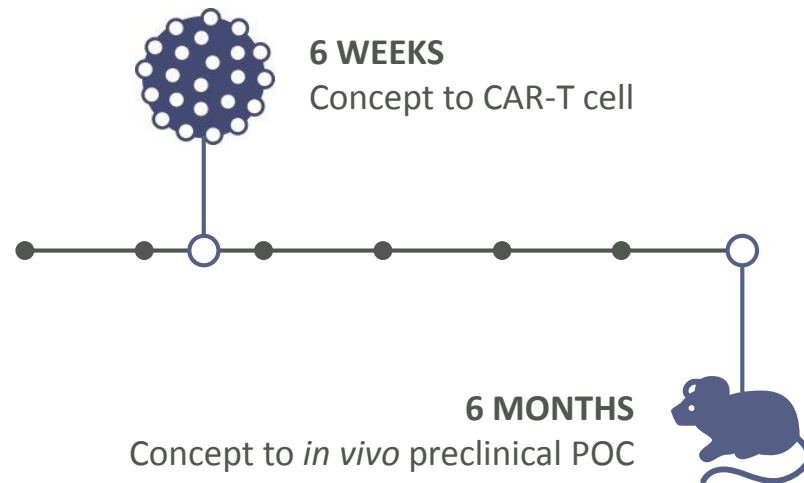
## Multiplex Editing

Single-shot sextuple knock-out plus CAR insertion performed at high efficiency



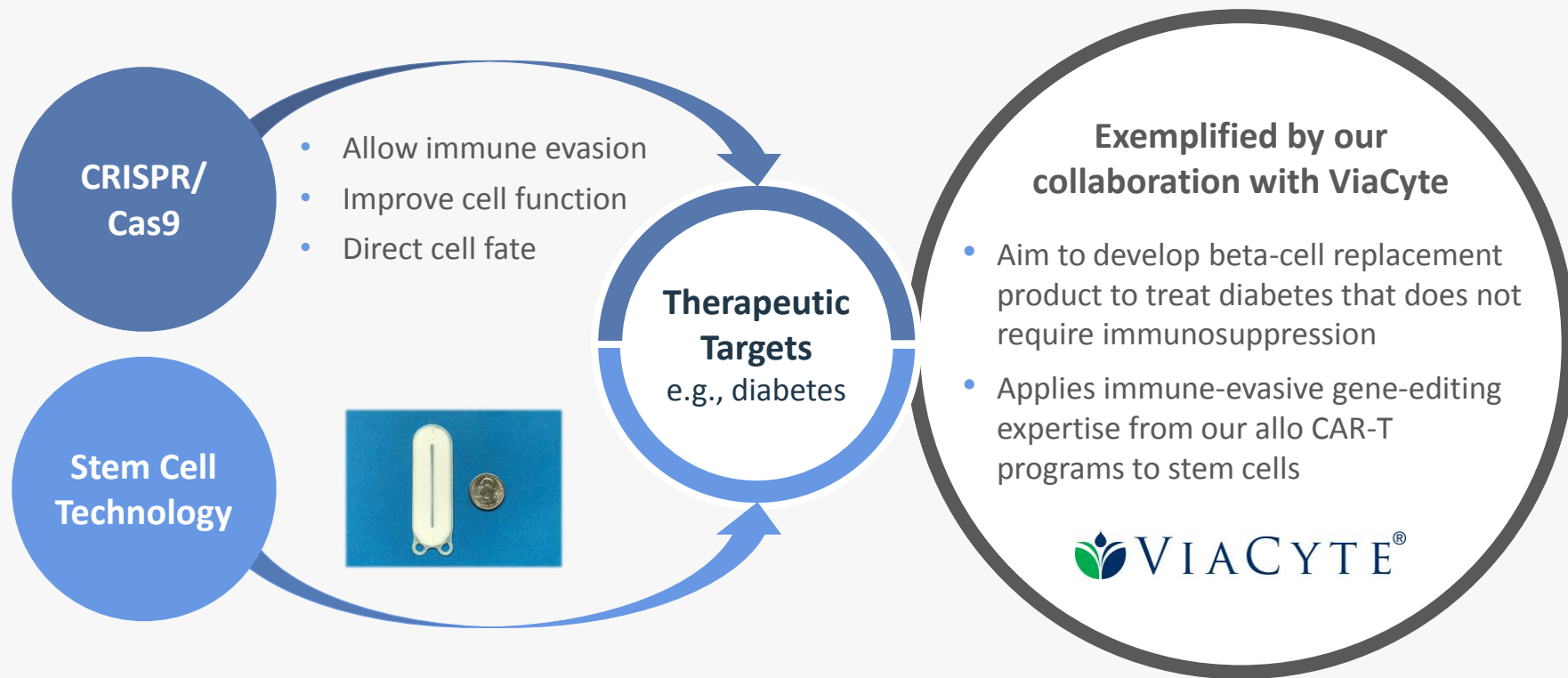
Septuple-edited CAR-T cells show **no viability decrease, no cytokine-independent growth and robust target-specific cytotoxicity**

## Speed of Discovery



# CRISPR Enables Regenerative Medicine 2.0

## CRISPR/Cas9 Technology Opens Broader Applications for Regenerative Medicine



# Unlocking *In Vivo* Applications of CRISPR/Cas9

## AAV Vectors for Neuromuscular Indications

- **Adeno-associated virus (AAV)** to deliver Cas9 and gRNA to muscle, the nervous system and other tissues
- Collaboration with StrideBio to improve tissue specificity and reduce immunogenicity
- Programs include DMD and DM1 in collaboration with Vertex, as well as other early research programs



## LNPs for Liver Indications

- **Lipid nanoparticles (LNPs)** containing mRNA encoding Cas9 and gRNA for delivery to the liver
- Lipid technology from MIT and mRNA technology from CureVac
- Programs include GSD Ia and other early research programs

Enabling collaborations



# Optimizing the CRISPR/Cas9 Platform

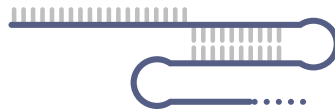
## Nuclease Engineering

Enhance CRISPR/Cas9 system through protein engineering



## Guide RNA Optimization

Identify optimal guide RNA formats and sequences for therapeutic editing



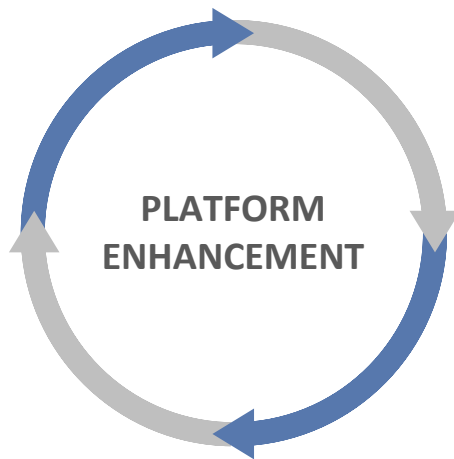
## Advanced Editing

Improve efficiency of gene correction and multiplexing



## Synthetic Biology

Engineer improved cellular therapeutics



# Strong U.S. and Global Foundational IP Position



## United States

**Charpentier / UC Berkeley / U. Vienna granted patents of broad scope; multiple applications progressing**

23

Patents of broad scope granted, including the patent involved in the first interference

4

Patent applications of broad scope allowed

>45

Additional patent applications moving forward in parallel with both broad and narrow claims

2<sup>nd</sup>

Interference declared June 2019 to determine who was first to invent CRISPR/Cas9 gene editing in eukaryotic cells



## Europe and Global

**Charpentier / UC Berkeley / U. Vienna granted foundational patents, including use in eukaryotes**

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Patents of broad scope granted in the EU

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Patents of broad scope granted in the UK, Germany, Japan, China, Singapore, Hong Kong, Ukraine, Israel, Australia, New Zealand, Mexico, South Africa and elsewhere

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Jurisdictions worldwide in which applications with both broad and narrow claims are advancing

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