

# 1st EDUCATIONAL MEETING ON EBMT HIGHLIGHT

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## Welcome Address,

It gives us pleasure to invite you, for the post EBMT meeting. This will be the first annual meeting for the colleagues and physicians who are working at BMT Centers. Cappadocia is always a vibrant and popular venue. Not only will you be coming to an exciting city Kayseri but also to an exciting meeting

In 2013 we want to start to celebrate all that is good about Bone Marrow Transplantation and in addition, the meeting content particularly with respect to basic and translational science.

Wherever possible we will try to bring together basic and translational science when discussing challenging transplant topics. We will continue our focus on reporting recent developments, and education at all levels. The meeting will take place in the Genome and Stem cell Center at Erciyes University, ideally situated to allow you to concentrate on the meeting during the day and close enough to be able to enjoy Cappadocia entertainment in the evening.

There are no venues that can compete with Cappadocia for historical, cultural, and social facilities in Turkey.

Whatever your interests be assured that at post EBMT 2013 you will be able to combine work, education and pleasure of the highest quality.

See you in Cappadocia, Kayseri!

Dr. Ali Ünal

Dr. Mustafa Çetin

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## Scientific Program

- 8.45- 9.00 - **Welcome Adress:** Fahrettin Keleştemur-Osman İlhan-Ali Ünal- Mustafa Çetin
- 9.00- 9.45 - **Chairs:** Osman İlhan, Ali Ünal
- ACUTE LEUKEMIA: RISK ADAPTED TRANSPLANT
- *Ahmet Elmaağaçlı*
- 9.45-10.30 - **Chairs:** Mehmet Ali Özcan, İsmet Aydoğdu
- MDS: STEM CELL TRANSPLANTATION AND HYPOMETHYLATED AGENTS
- *Mehmet Ali Özcan, Hakan Göker*
- 10.30-10.45 - Coffee Break
- 10.45-11.15 - **Chairs:** Mustafa N.Yenerel, Mehmet Yılmaz
- NST - RIC :NON-MYELOABLATIVE CONDITIONING, DLI AND CELL THERAPY IN HEMATOLOGICAL MALIGNANCIES
- *Shimon Slavin, Ali Uğur Ural*
- 11.15-12.30 - **Chairs:** Hakan Özdoğu, İsmail Sarı
- HAPLOIDENTICAL TRANSPLANT (T CELL SELECTION)
- *Zafer Gülbaş, Mustafa Çetin*

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# Haploidentical Transplantation

The often forgotten options..... From nightmare to dream



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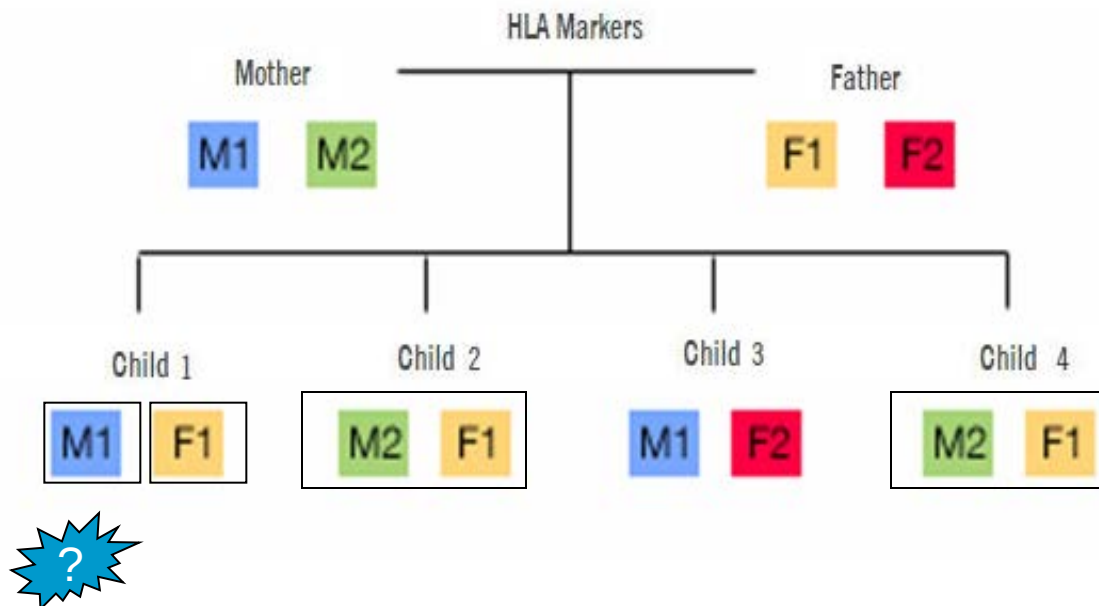
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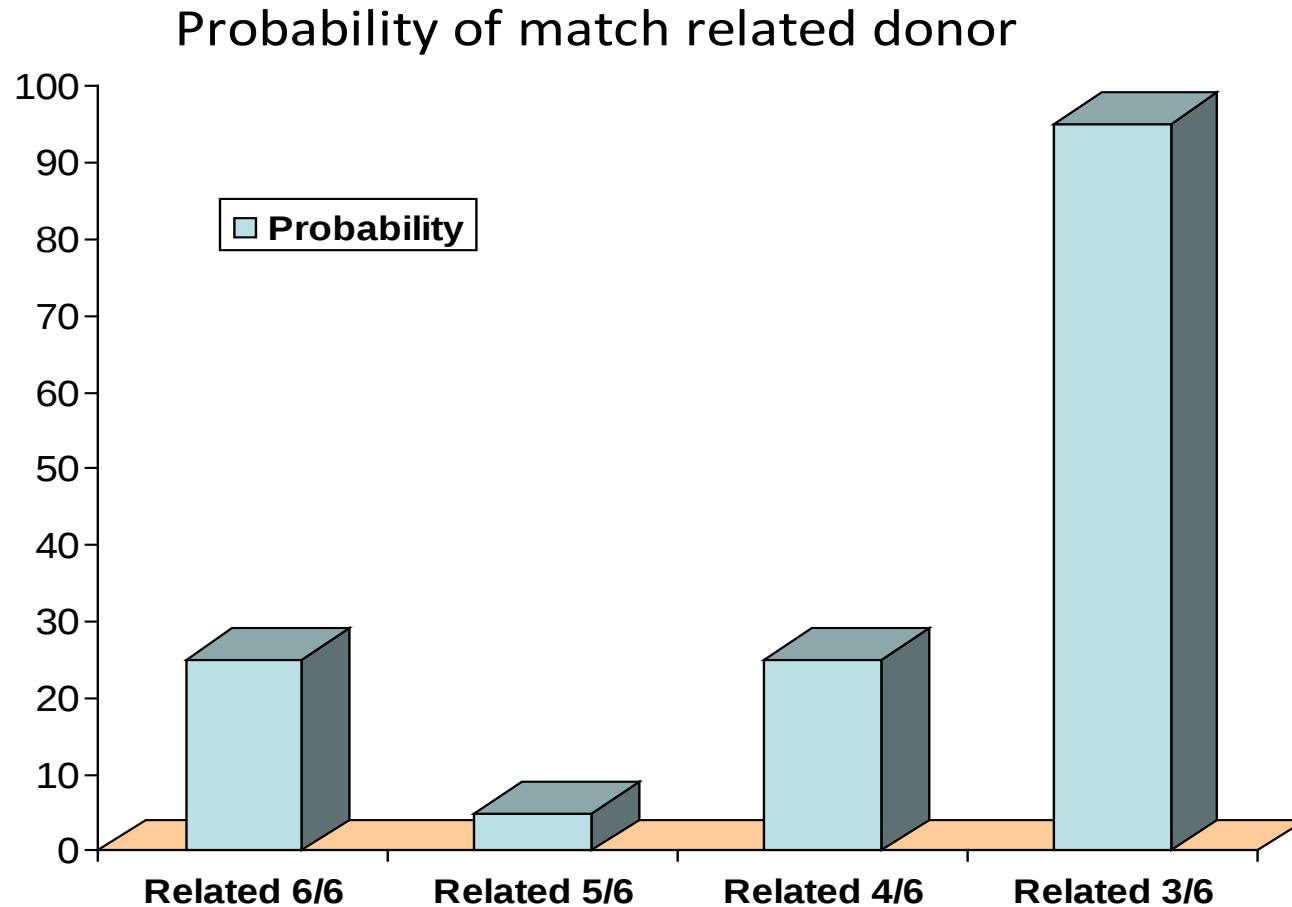
# Background

- *Clinical Problem: Allogeneic Graft Availability*
- *Early studies using T- cell replete marrow grafts*
- *Earlier efforts to improve the results*
  - *More effective and selective T cell depletion*
  - *The use of GCSF-mobilized PBSC instead BM (Mega-dose concept)*
  - *NK cell alloreactivity (KIR mismatch)*
  - *Non-myeloablative regimens*
- *New Modalities to Improve Outcome*
  - *Manipulated: “ $\alpha\beta$ T cells Depletion induced tolerance ”  $\gamma\delta$ T cell+ NK cell+ DC's supported & Role of the  $\gamma\delta$ T cell*
  - *Unmanuplated: “ drug induced tolerance” Selective Allodepletion by Post Transplantation Cyclophosphamide*
  - *Erciyes University results*

# Children's possible HLA Combinations



# Clinical Problem: Allogeneic Graft Availability



# Clinical Problem: Allogeneic Graft Availability

What to do if no matched sibling donor available ?

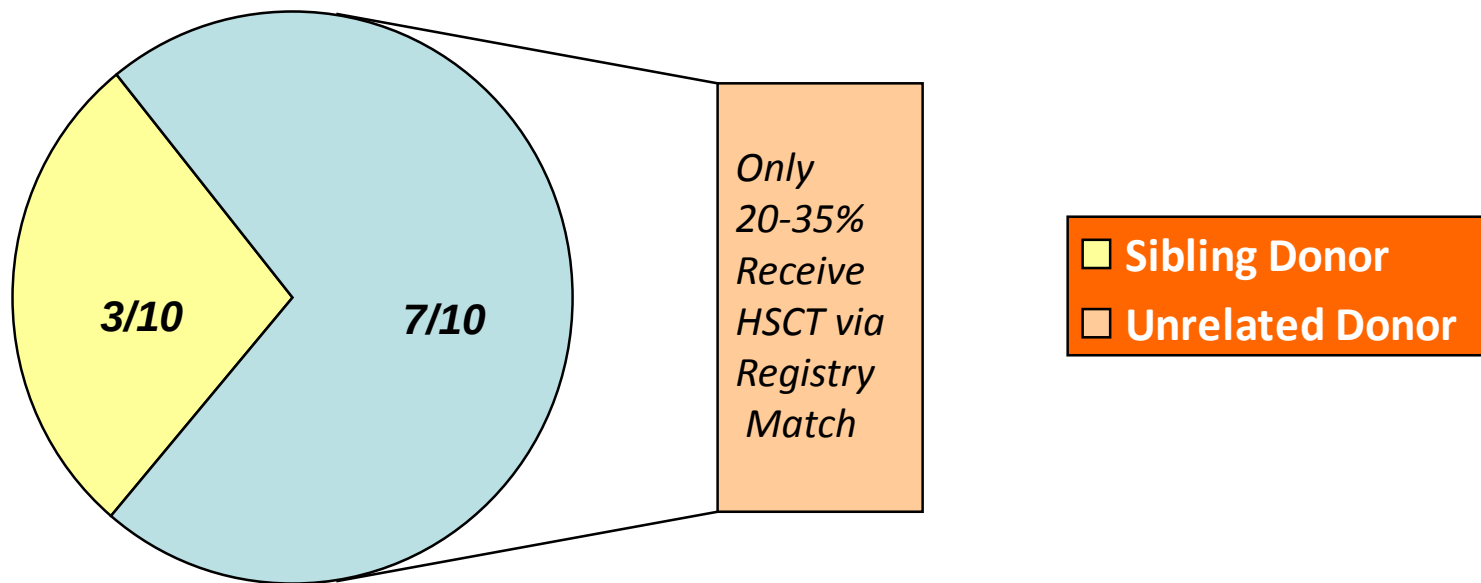
- Look for alternative donors:
  - Matched unrelated donor
  - Mismatched related donor
  - Umbilical cord blood

## Choice of Donor for SCT

| Choice | Family Donor | Unrelated Donor | Unrelated CB |
|--------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 1st    | mSD or mCB   |                 |              |
| 2nd    | mFD or 5/6   | 10/10           | 6/6          |
| 3rd    | <4/6 (hID)   | 9/10            | >5/6 or <4/6 |

# Clinical Problem: Allogeneic Graft Availability

## Hematology Patients Needing HSCT



# Clinical Problem: Allogeneic Graft Availability

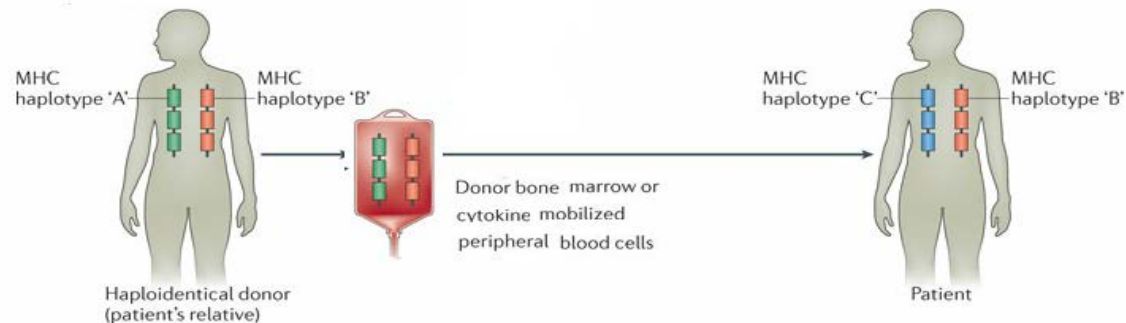
## Major Obstacles for Matched Unrelated Donor Transplant

- Chance of Match: 60-70% for Caucasians
  - $\leq 10\%$  for Ethnic Minorities
- Cumbersome searching, typing and harvesting
  - Median time 4 months.
- Many such patients do not maintain a remission or survive the long waiting period until a donation is available

# Potential advantages and disadvantages of different types of stem cell donor

| DONOR                        | AVAILABILITY                                     | ACCESS<br>(RE-ACCESS)      | COST            | REJECT<br>(RISK)          | ENGRAFTMENT<br>(SPEED) | GVHD<br>(RISK)  | GVL             | IMMUNE<br>RECONST |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| <b>SIBLING<br/>Matched</b>   | <b>20-30 %</b>                                   | <b>Fast<br/>(yes)</b>      | <b>low</b>      | <b>low</b>                | <b>fast</b>            | <b>low</b>      | <b>T</b>        | <b>fast</b>       |
| <b>UNRELATED<br/>Matched</b> | <b>10/10=40%<br/>&gt;9/10=70%<br/>Ethnic=20%</b> | <b>slow<br/>(possible)</b> | <b>high</b>     | <b>low</b>                | <b>moderate</b>        | <b>moderate</b> | <b>T</b>        | <b>moderate</b>   |
| <b>CB<br/>Unrelated</b>      | <b>&gt;5/6=40%<br/>&gt;4/6=70%</b>               | <b>fast<br/>(no)</b>       | <b>high</b>     | <b>low</b>                | <b>slow</b>            | <b>low</b>      | <b>T<br/>NK</b> | <b>moderate</b>   |
| <b>HAPLO<br/>Family</b>      | <b>&gt;90%</b>                                   | <b>Immediate<br/>(yes)</b> | <b>moderate</b> | <b>Moderate<br/>(low)</b> | <b>fast</b>            | <b>low</b>      | <b>T<br/>NK</b> | <b>very slow</b>  |

# Haploidentical Transplantation



## Advantages

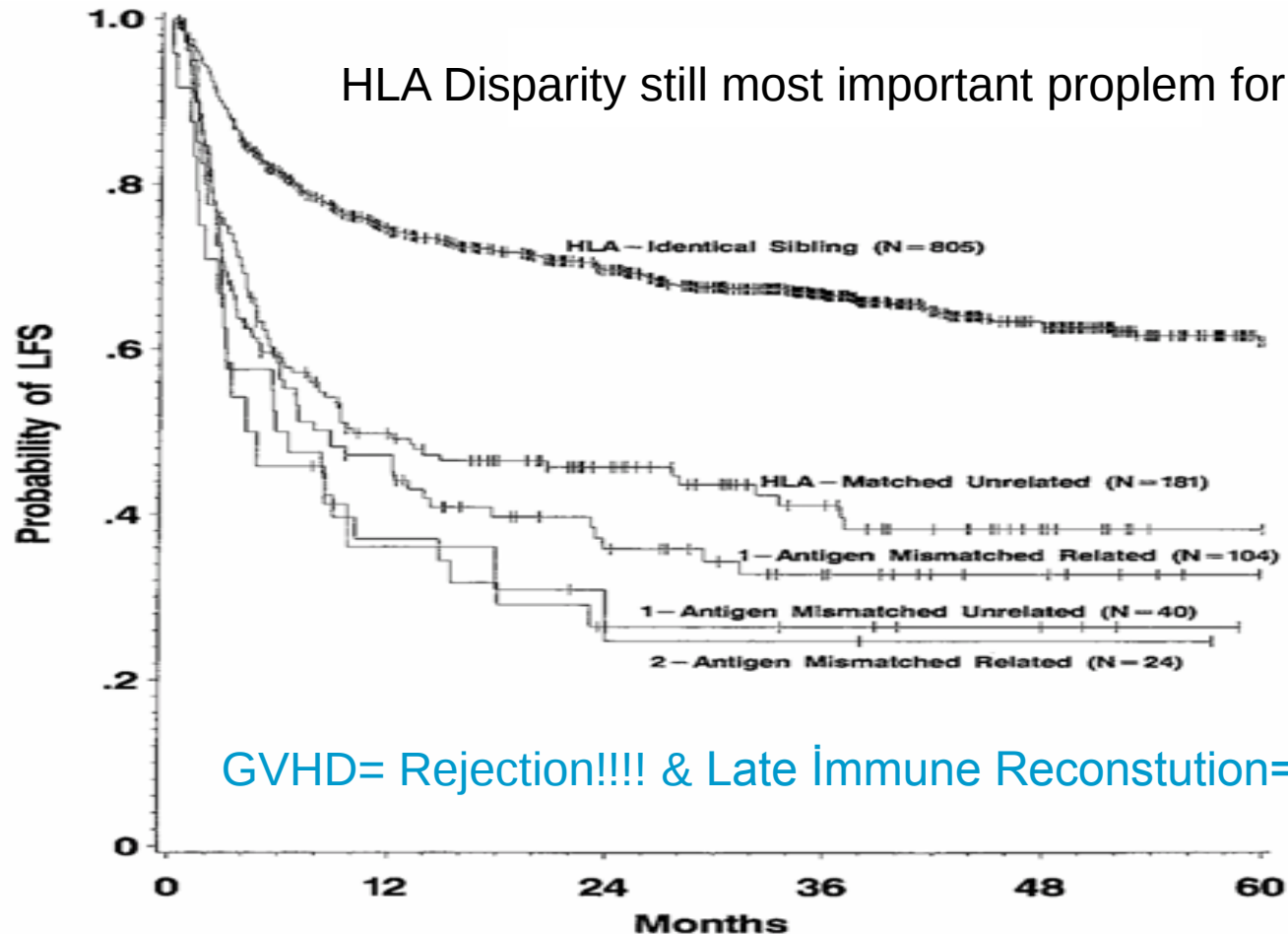
- Nearly all patients have a donor
- Immediate donor availability
- Financial implications:

*Considerable expenditure of additional typing and procurement of unrelated donor graft can be avoided.*

## Disadvantages

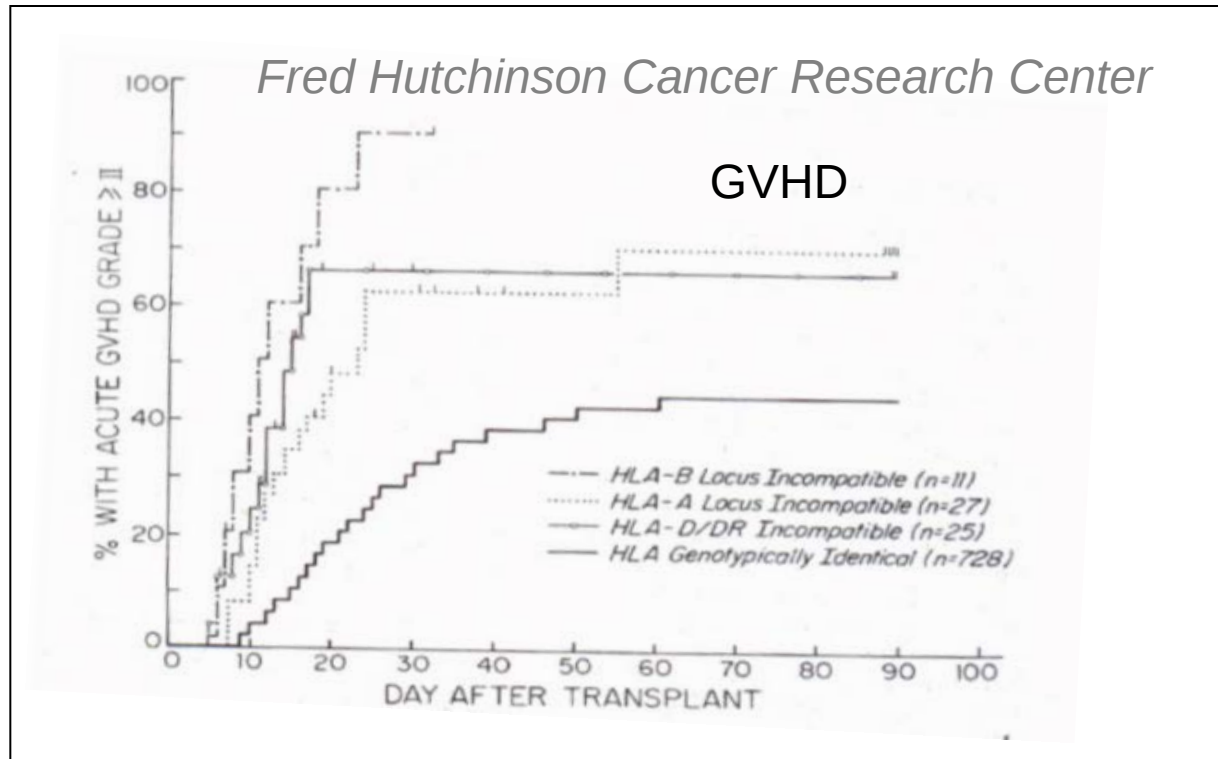
- HLA barriers:
  - Graft rejection
  - GVHD
  - Immune dysregulation

# HLA Disparity and Survival



GVHD= Rejection!!!! & Late Immune Reconstitution= TRM

# HLA Disparity and GVHD



Haploidentical transplant using 2-3 HLA loci mismatched transplant is associated with a higher incidence of GVHD, delayed engraftment and graft failure

# ***Haploidentical Transplantation:***

## ***Early studies using T- cell replete marrow grafts***

1. Early 1990's
2. T-cell replete marrow graft,
3. Lethal conditioning,
4. GVHD prophylaxis with CSP +/- MTX
5. Largely disappointing
6. High incidence of non relapsed mortality (especially CMV),
7. Severe GVHD and Graft Rejection (up to 30%)

Beatty PG, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 1985;313:765-771.

Anasetti C, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 1989;320:197-204.

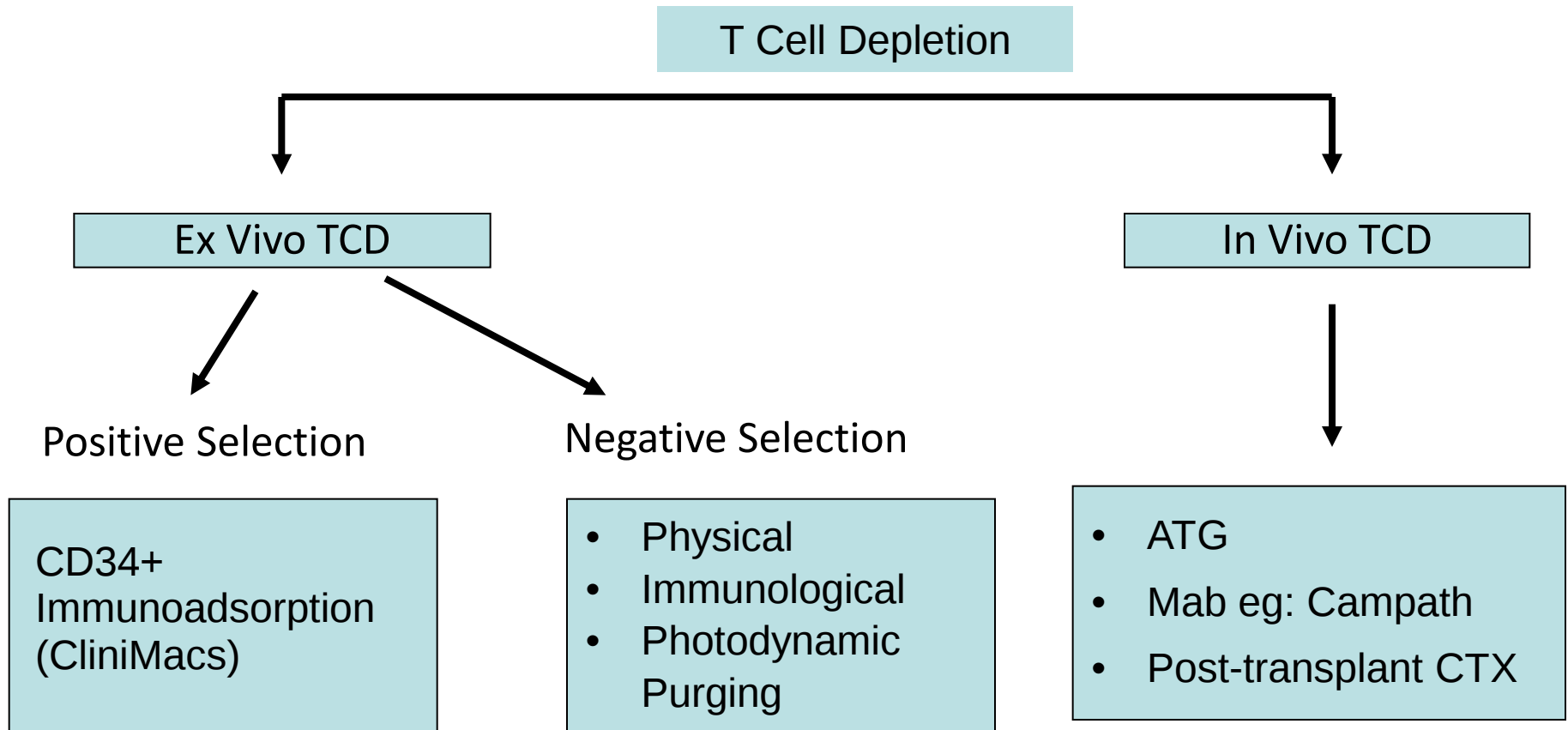
Powles RL, et al.. *Lancet.* 1983;1:612-615.

Szydlo R, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 1997;15:1767-1777

## *Earlier efforts to improve the results ; from 2000's onwards*

- *Substituting cyclophosphamide with fludarabine*
- *Total dose of radiation was decreased from 6 to 4 Gy.*
- *The use of GCSF to promote engraftment was eliminated from the protocol since 1999 following the observation that it impaired immune reconstitution.*
- *More effective and selective T cell depletion*
- *The use of GCSF-mobilized PBSC instead BM (Mega-dose concept)*
- *NK cell alloreactivity (KIR mismatch)*
- *Non-myeloablative regimens*

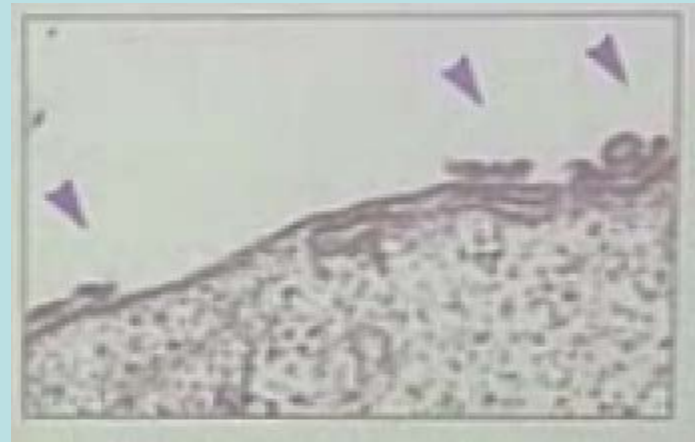
# More effective and selective T cell depletion



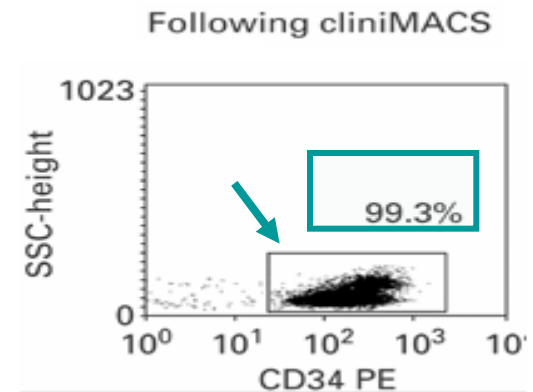
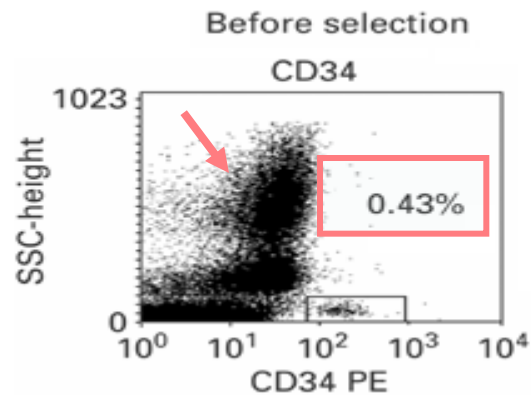
# *Ex vivo* T cell Depletions



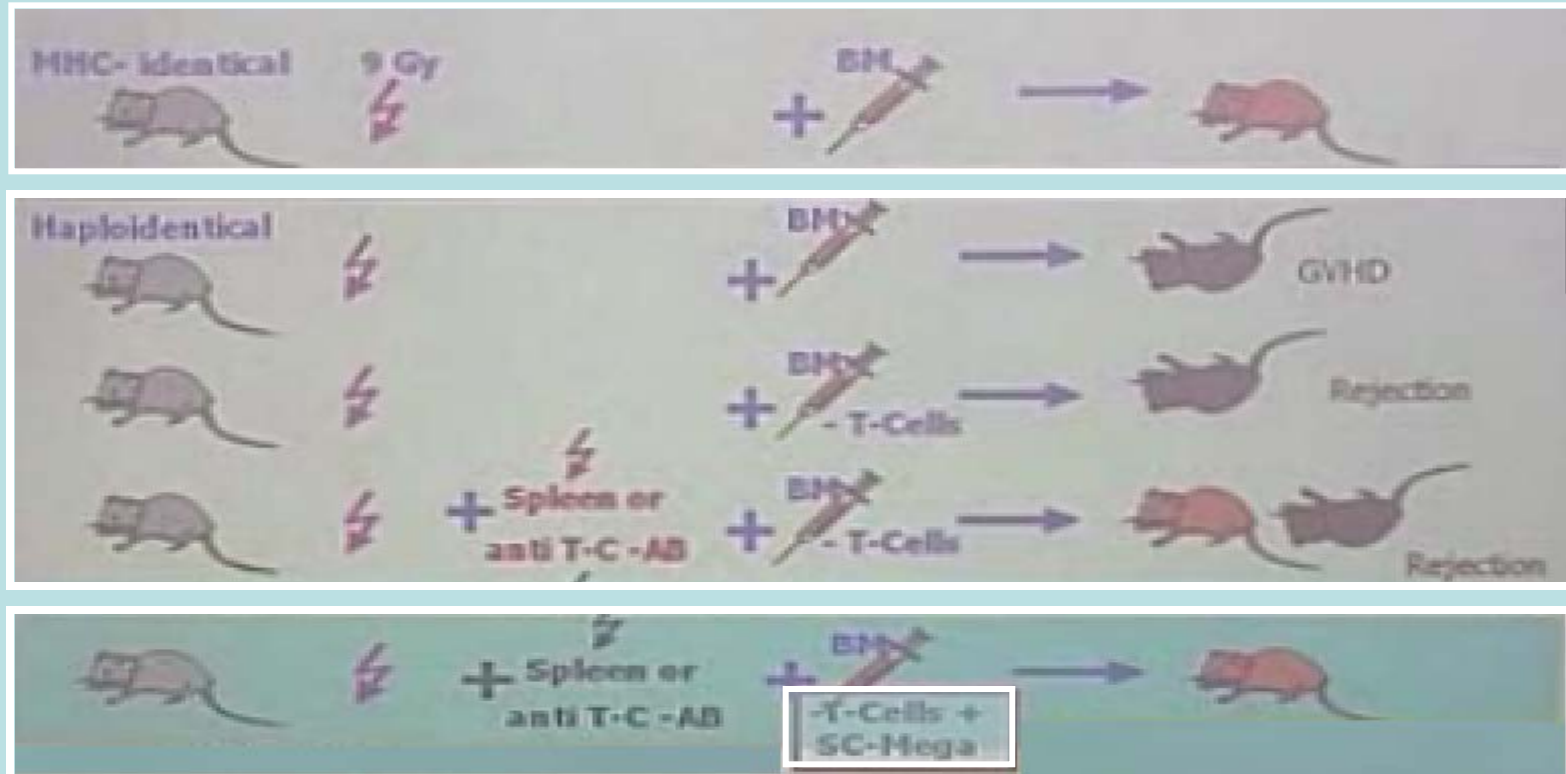
**CD34+  
Stem cell**



**Micro beads on the cell surface**



# Haploidentical transplantation: Mouse model" Megadose Concept"



**Megadose SC & CTLp (responsible from rejection): VETO EFFECT**

# *Milestones of Haploidentical Transplantation*

## *initial successful experiences of Tcell depleted process*



1994: pp 3948-3955

### **Successful Engraftment of T-Cell–Depleted Haploidentical “Three-Loci” Incompatible Transplants in Leukemia Patients by Addition of Recombinant Human Granulocyte Colony-Stimulating Factor–Mobilized Peripheral Blood Progenitor Cells to Bone Marrow Inoculum**

By Franco Aversa, Antonio Tabilio, Adelmo Terenzi, Andrea Velardi, Franca Falzetti, Claudia Giannoni, Roberta Iacucci, Tiziana Zei, Maria Paola Martelli, Cesare Gambelunghe, Massimo Rossetti, Pierfranco Caputo, Paolo Latini, Cynthia Aristei, Carlo Raymond, Yair Reisner, and Massimo F. Martelli



1998; 339:1186-1193

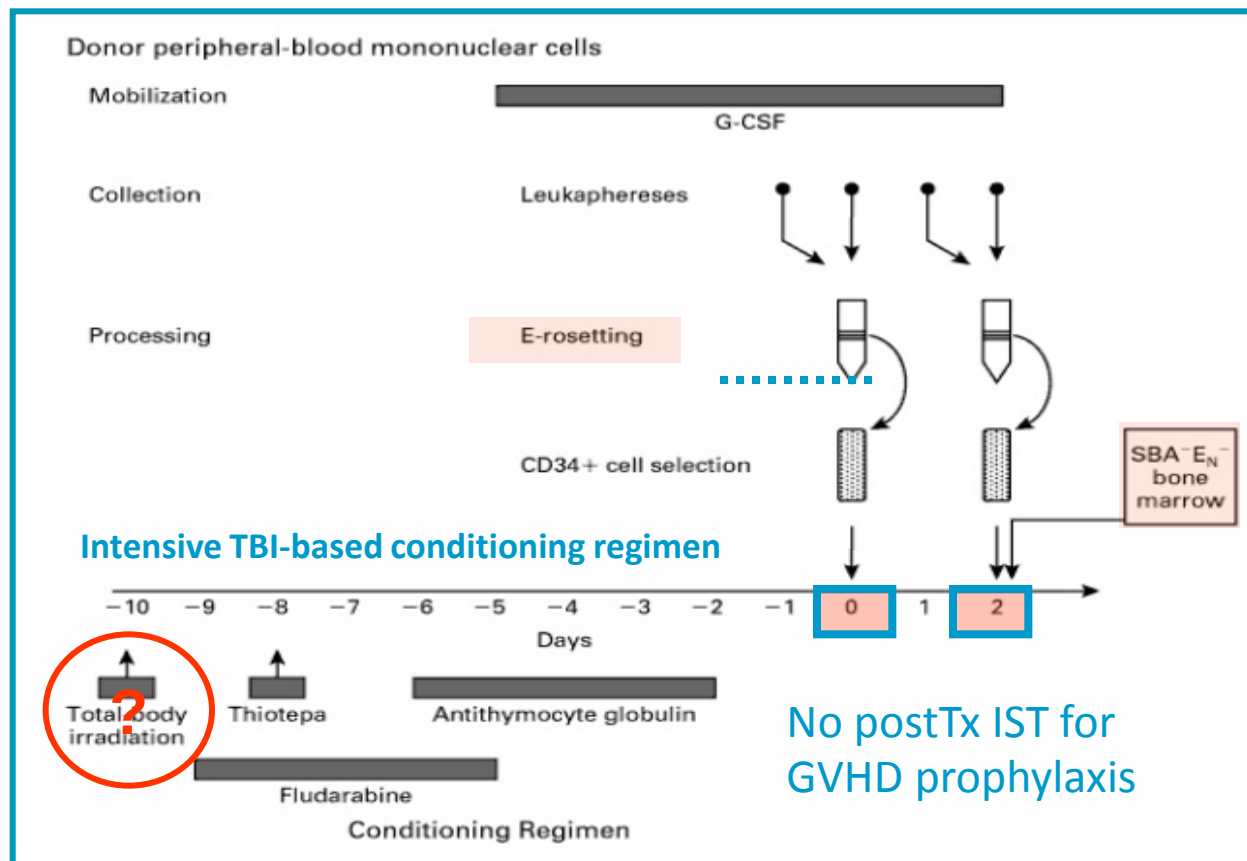
#### **ORIGINAL ARTICLE**

### **Treatment of High-Risk Acute Leukemia with T-Cell–Depleted Stem Cells from Related Donors with One Fully Mismatched HLA Haplotype**

Franco Aversa, M.D., Antonio Tabilio, M.D., Andrea Velardi, M.D., Isabel Cunningham, M.D., Adelmo Terenzi, M.D., Franca Falzetti, M.D., Loredana Ruggeri, M.D., Giuliana Barbabietola, M.D., Cynthia Aristei, M.D., Paolo Latini, M.D., Yair Reisner, Ph.D., Massimo F. Martelli, M.D., Rita Felicini, M.D., Flavio Falcinelli, M.D., Alessandra Carotti, M.D., Katia Perruccio, M.D., Stelvio Ballanti, M.D., Antonella Santucci, M.D., and Cesare Gambelunghe, M.D.

## Perugia Grup: Aversa 1998

Treatment of high-risk acute leukemia with T-cell-depleted stem cells from related donors with one fully mismatched HLA haplotype.



43 patients with high risk leukemia received BM/ GCSF mobilised PBSC from family with one matched haplotype (3/6 matched)

Both ex vivo depleted of T cells by soybean agglutination and E-rosetting

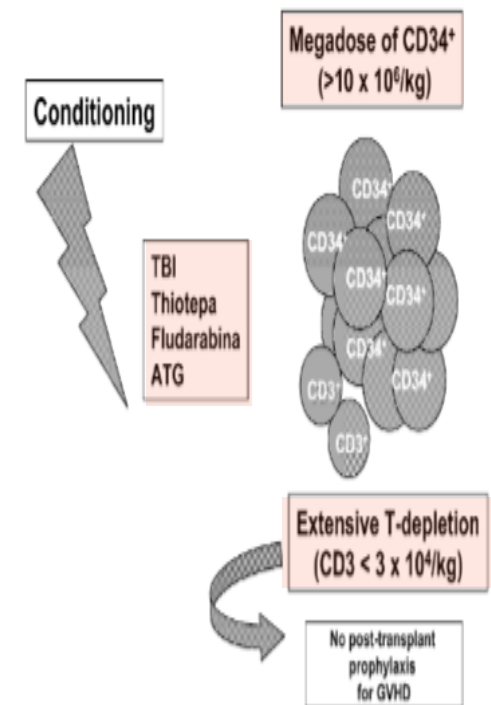
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*'Mega-dose' approach to overcome MHC barrier (generating 'veto effect')*

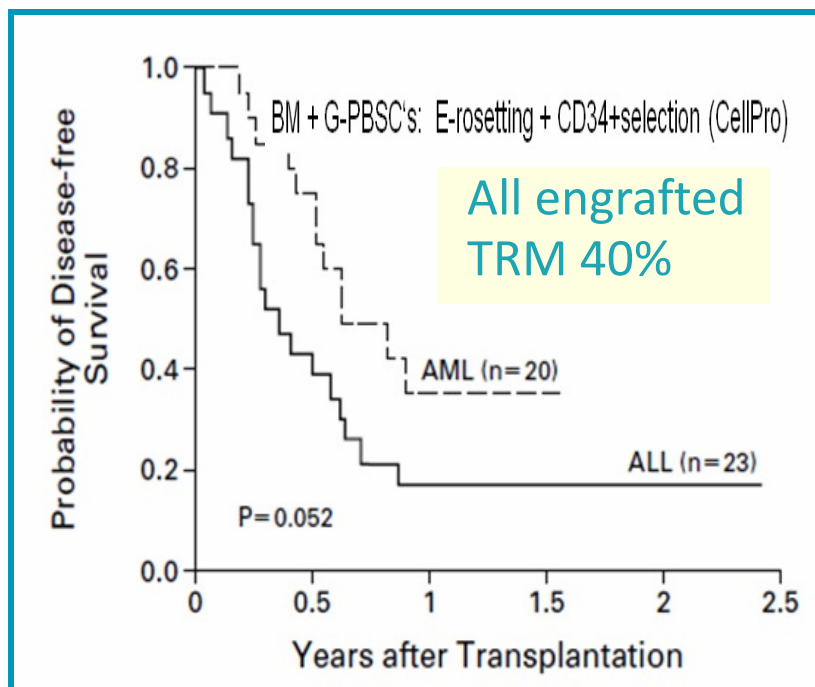
- Conditioning: TBI+ATG
- Grafts:  $9 \pm 5 \times 10^6$  CD34 cell/kg megadose
- Extensively T cell-depleted :  $3 \pm 2 \times 10^4$  CD3 cells /kg
- No immunosuppressive treatment after Transplantation for prophylaxis against GVHD
- 100% WBC/PLT Engraftment

### Factors Involved in Engraftment of T-Cell-Depleted Haploidentical HSC Transplant



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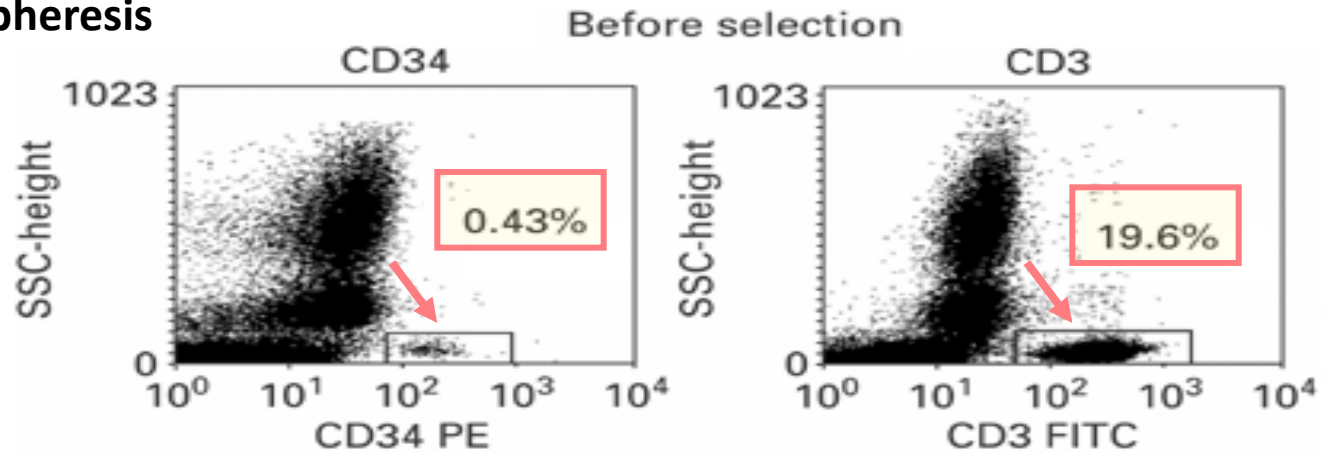
| CAUSE OF DEATH                      | NO. OF PATIENTS (N= 17) |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Infection                           | 11                      |
| Bacterial                           | 5                       |
| Pseudomonas                         | 3                       |
| Staphylococcus                      | 2                       |
| Fungal                              | 5                       |
| Aspergillus                         | 3                       |
| Candida                             | 2                       |
| Viral                               | 1                       |
| Cytomegalovirus                     | 1                       |
| B-cell lymphoproliferative disease  | 2                       |
| Other                               | 4                       |
| Embolism                            | 1                       |
| Renal failure                       | 1                       |
| Acute respiratory distress syndrome | 2                       |

*With the T cell depletion reasonable engraftment and acceptable GVHD: But still, high relapse rate and infection*

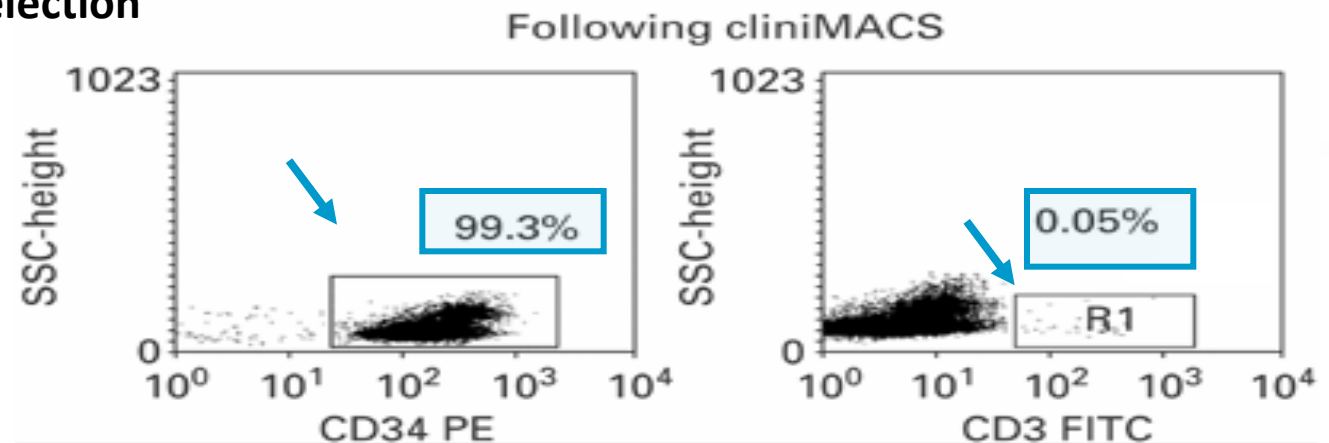
## Tübingen Group: 2001

Megadose transplantation of purified peripheral blood CD34<sup>+</sup> Progenitor cells from HLA-mismatched parental donors in children

### Apheresis



### Selection

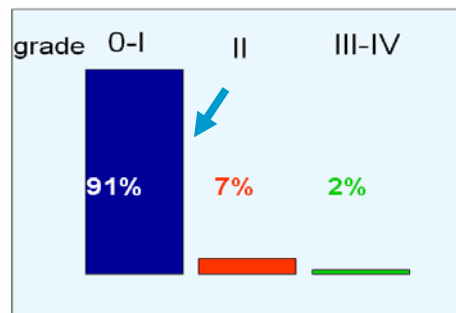
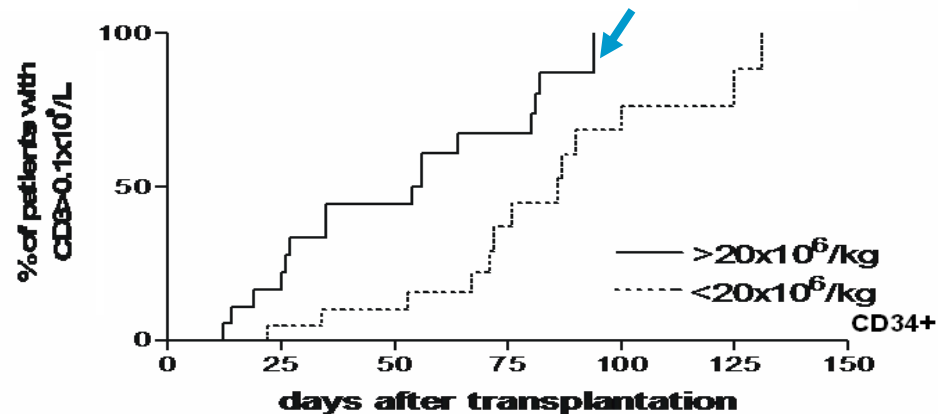


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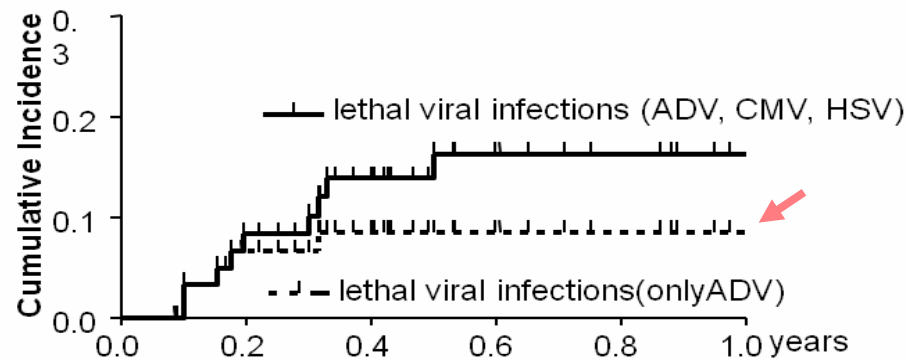
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### Reconstitution of CD3<sup>+</sup> T-cells after haploidentical With CD34<sup>+</sup> positively selected stem cells

TRM: 26 %

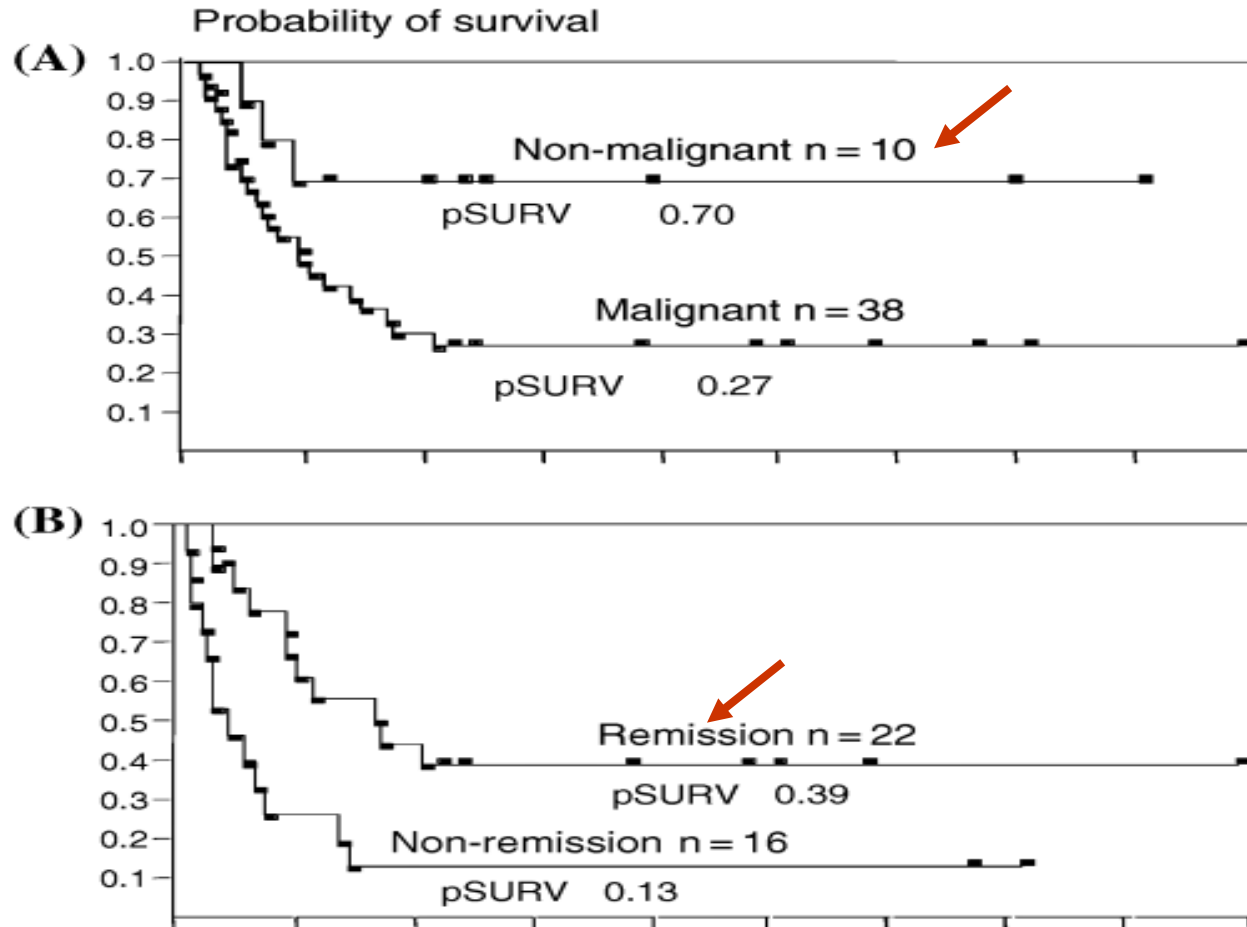


T-cells: 10 000/kg (range 5000- 31000)



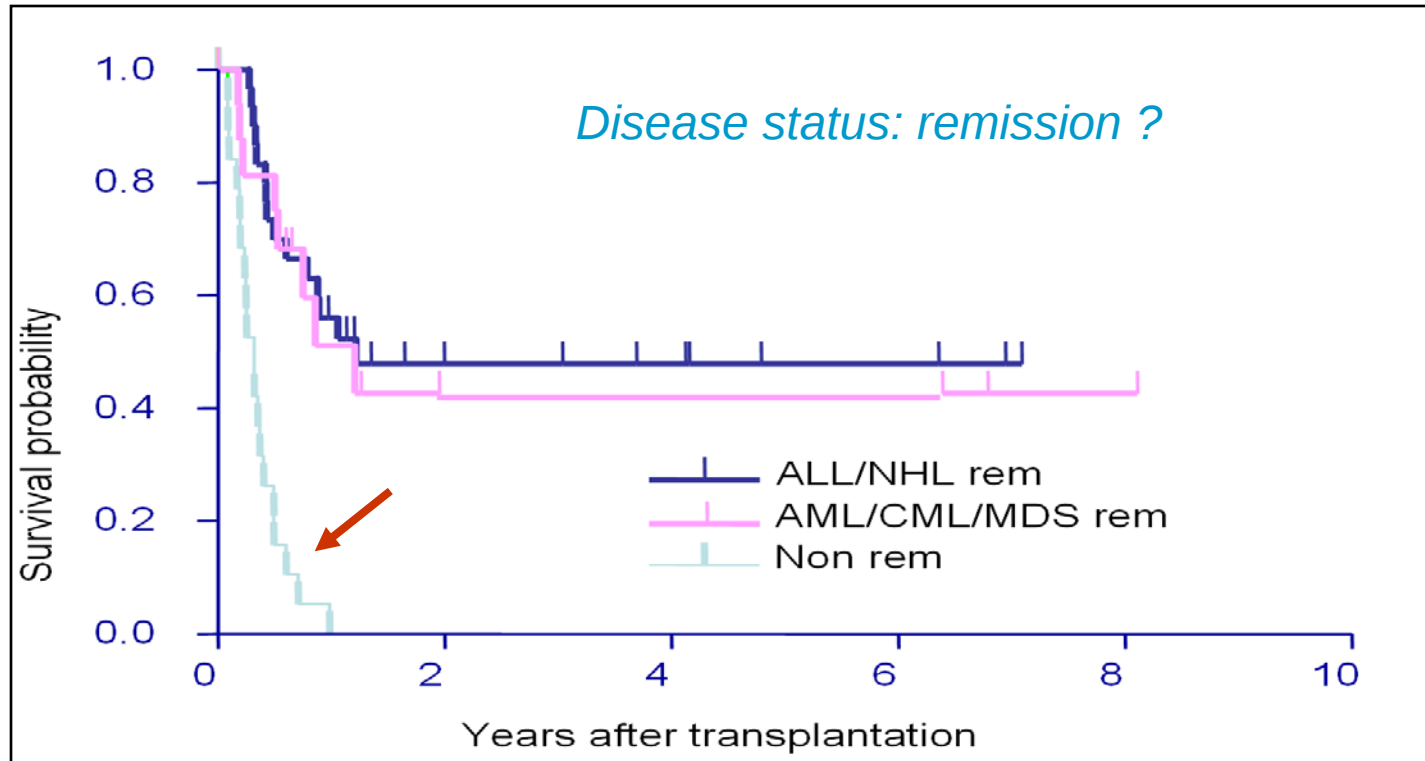
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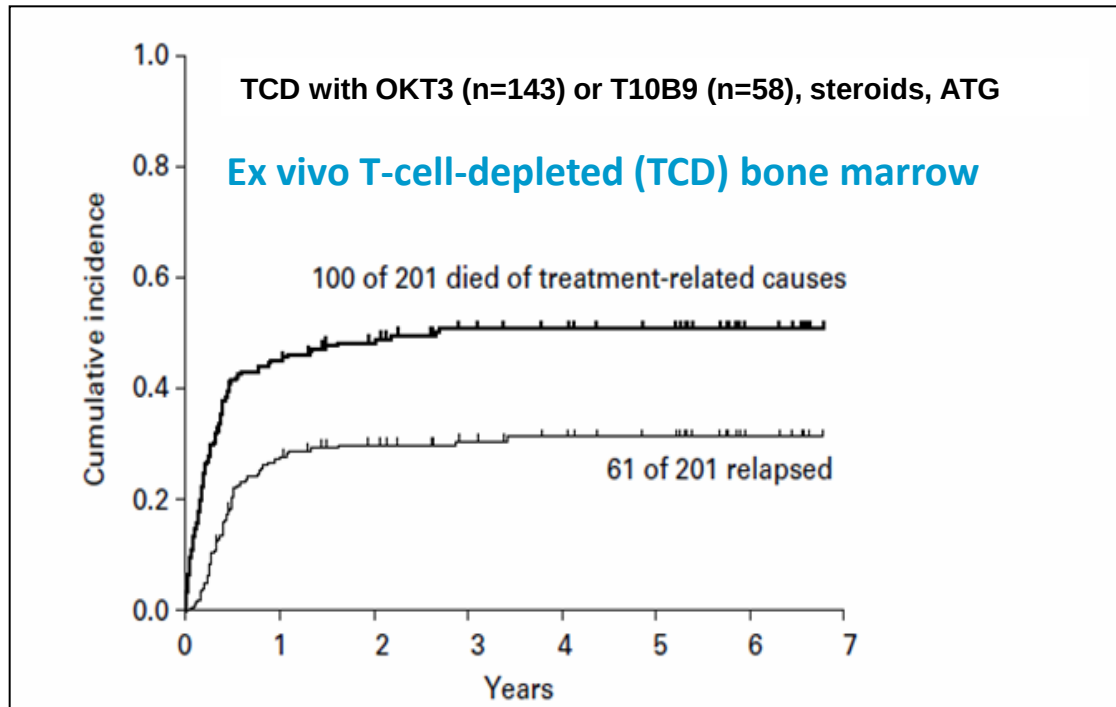
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*Remission most related parameter for EFS after haploidentical tx.*

**Mehta 2004:**

Bone marrow transplantation from partially HLA-mismatched family Donors for acute leukemia: single center experience of 201 patients.

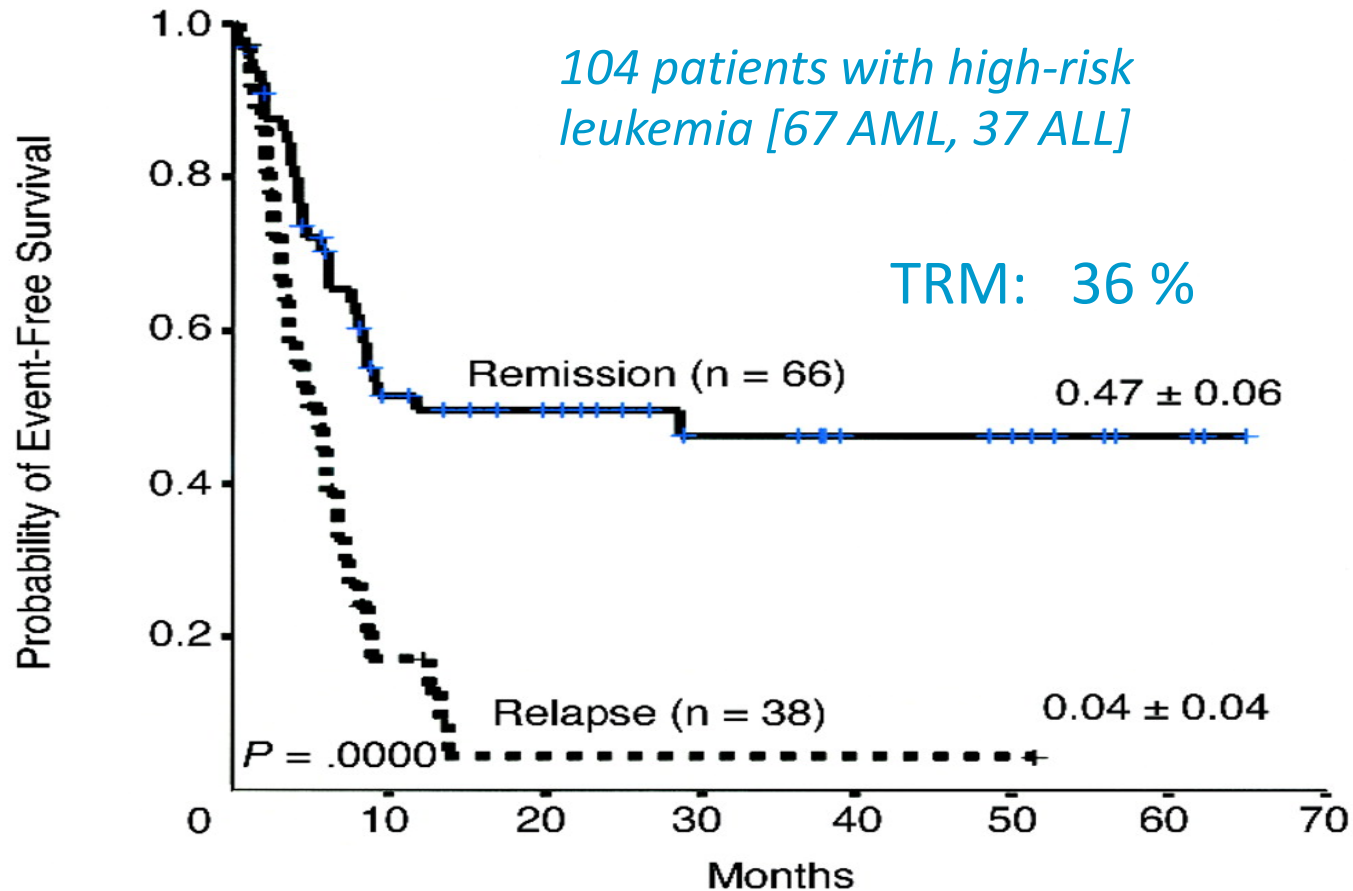


5 year OS @ PFS: 19% @ 18 %,

5 year relapse @ TRM: 31 % @ 51%,

# Perugia Group : CD34+ selection with Clinimacs

Full Haplotype-Mismatched Hematopoietic Stem-Cell Transplantation: A Phase II Study in Patients With Acute Leukemia at High Risk of Relapse





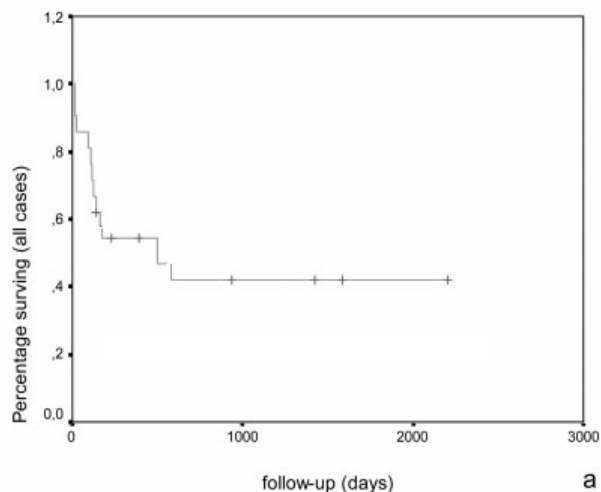
## ***Turkish Experience :*** ***Poor prognostic nonmalignant disorders***



### G-CSF-mobilized haploidentical peripheral blood stem cell transplantation in children with poor prognostic nonmalignant disorders

Fikret Arpacı,<sup>1\*</sup> İlhan Tezcan,<sup>2</sup> Okan Kuzhan,<sup>1</sup> Nevin Yalman,<sup>3</sup> Duygu Uçkan,<sup>4</sup> Ahmet Emin Kürekçi,<sup>5</sup>  
Aydan İkinciogulları,<sup>6</sup> Ahmet Özet,<sup>1</sup> and Atilla Tanyeli<sup>7</sup>

**Between 2000 and 2005, 25 children with poor prognostic nonmalignant disorders,**



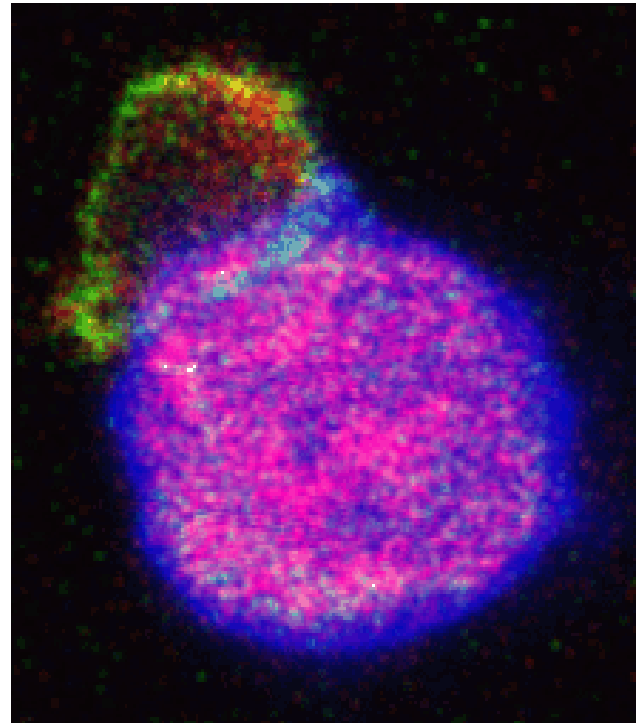
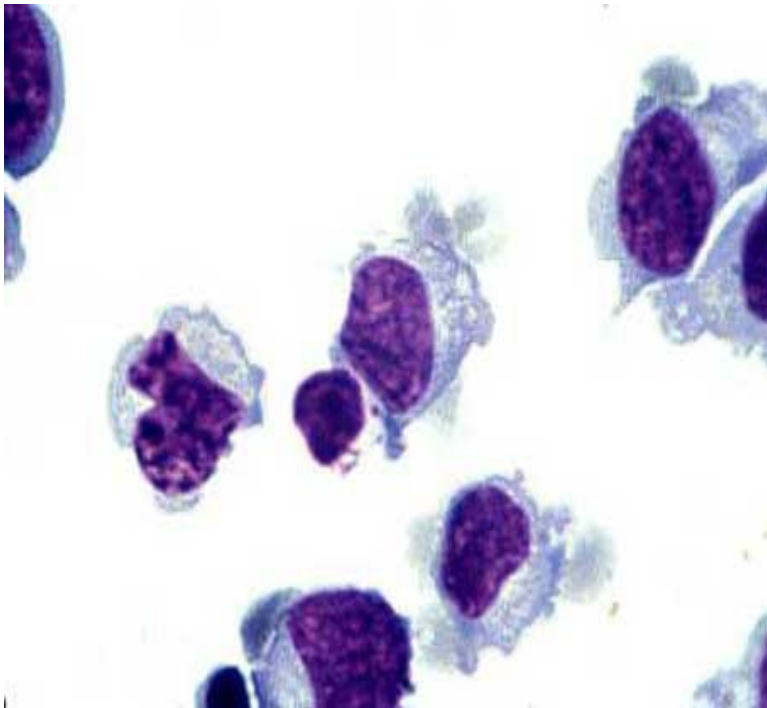
T-cell depletion (CliniMACS)

Severe combined immunodeficiency (n=16),

osteopetrosis (n = 2), MDS (n =1),

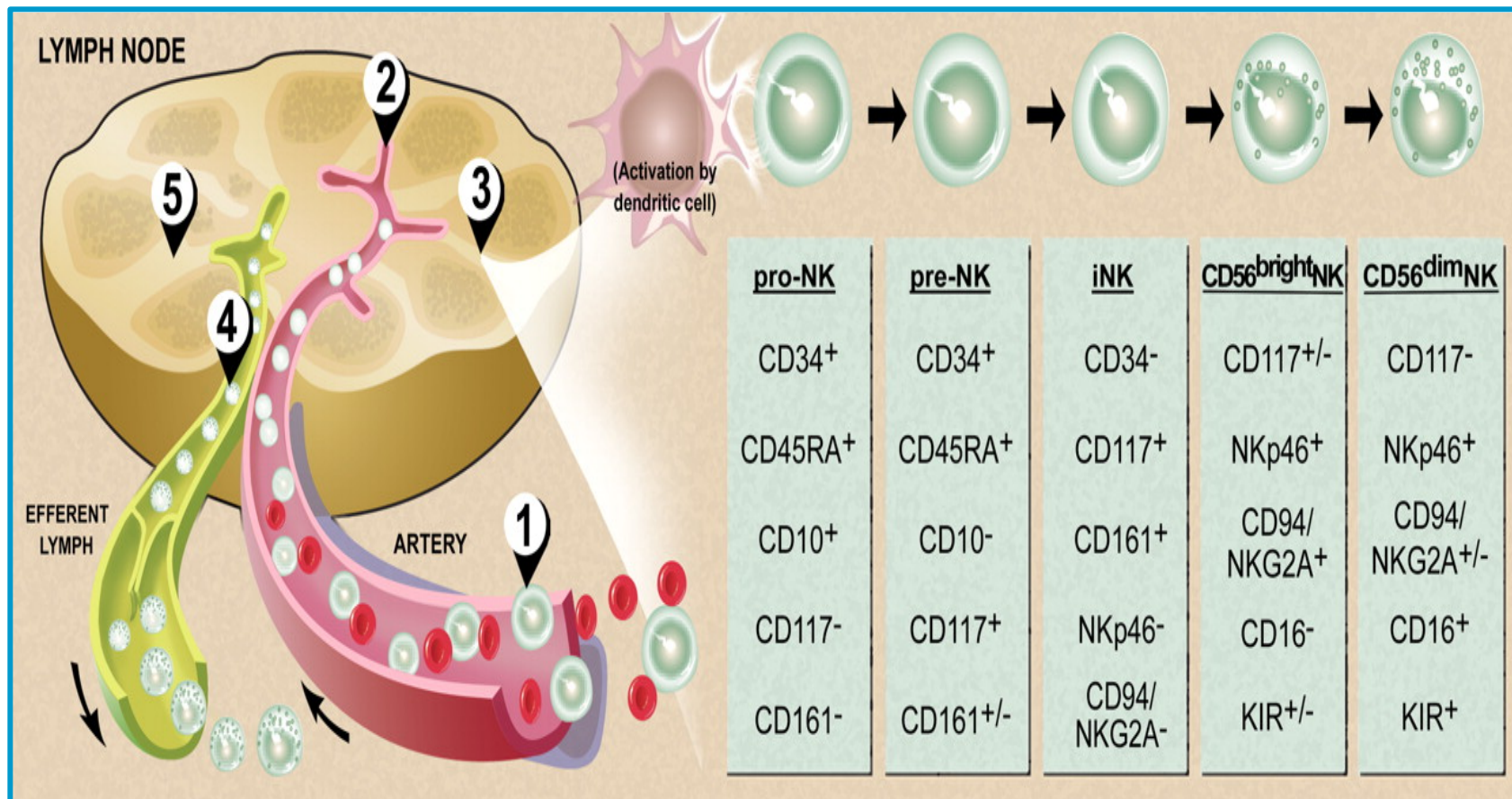
Amegakaryocytic thrombocytopenia (n= 1),

and aplastic anemia (n=5)



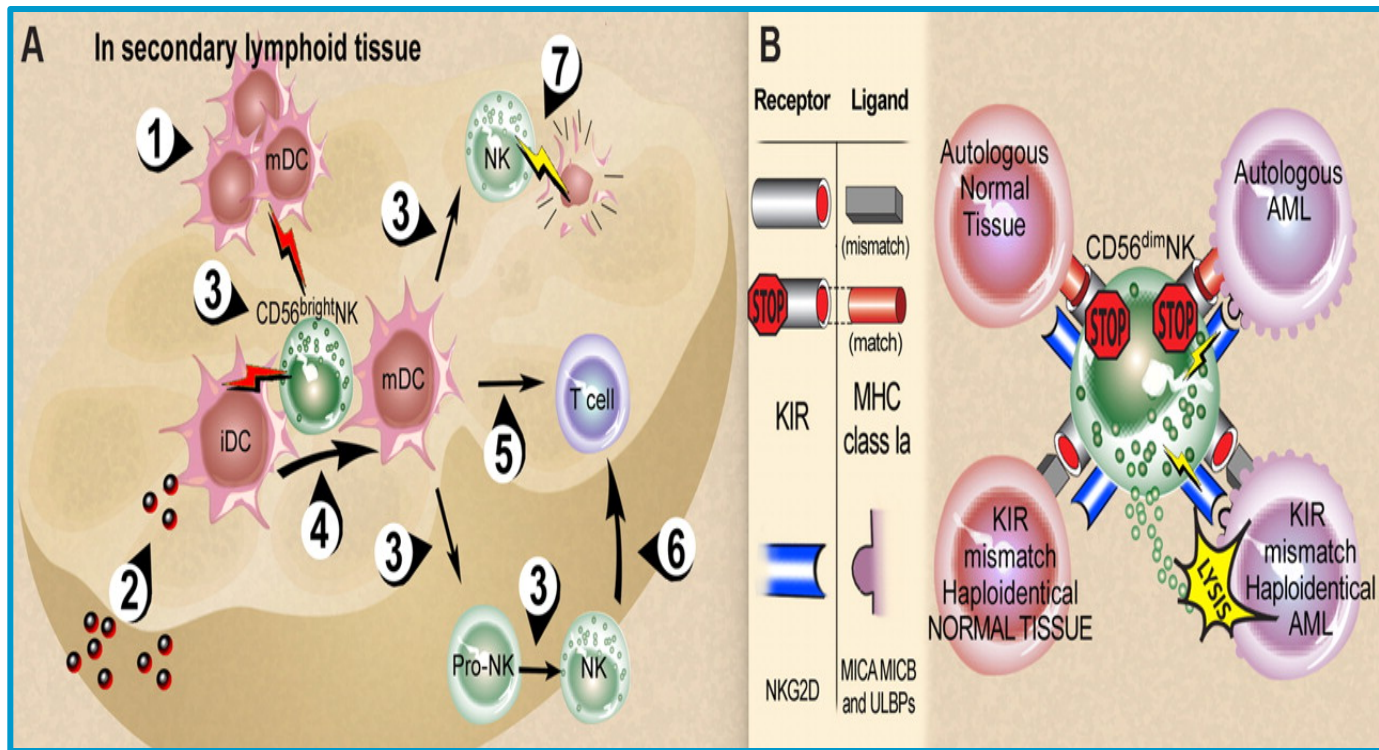
*The new concept of NK alloreactivity & antitumoral effect*

# Role of Natural Killer cell alloreactivity in HLA-mismatched hematopoietic stem cell transplantation.



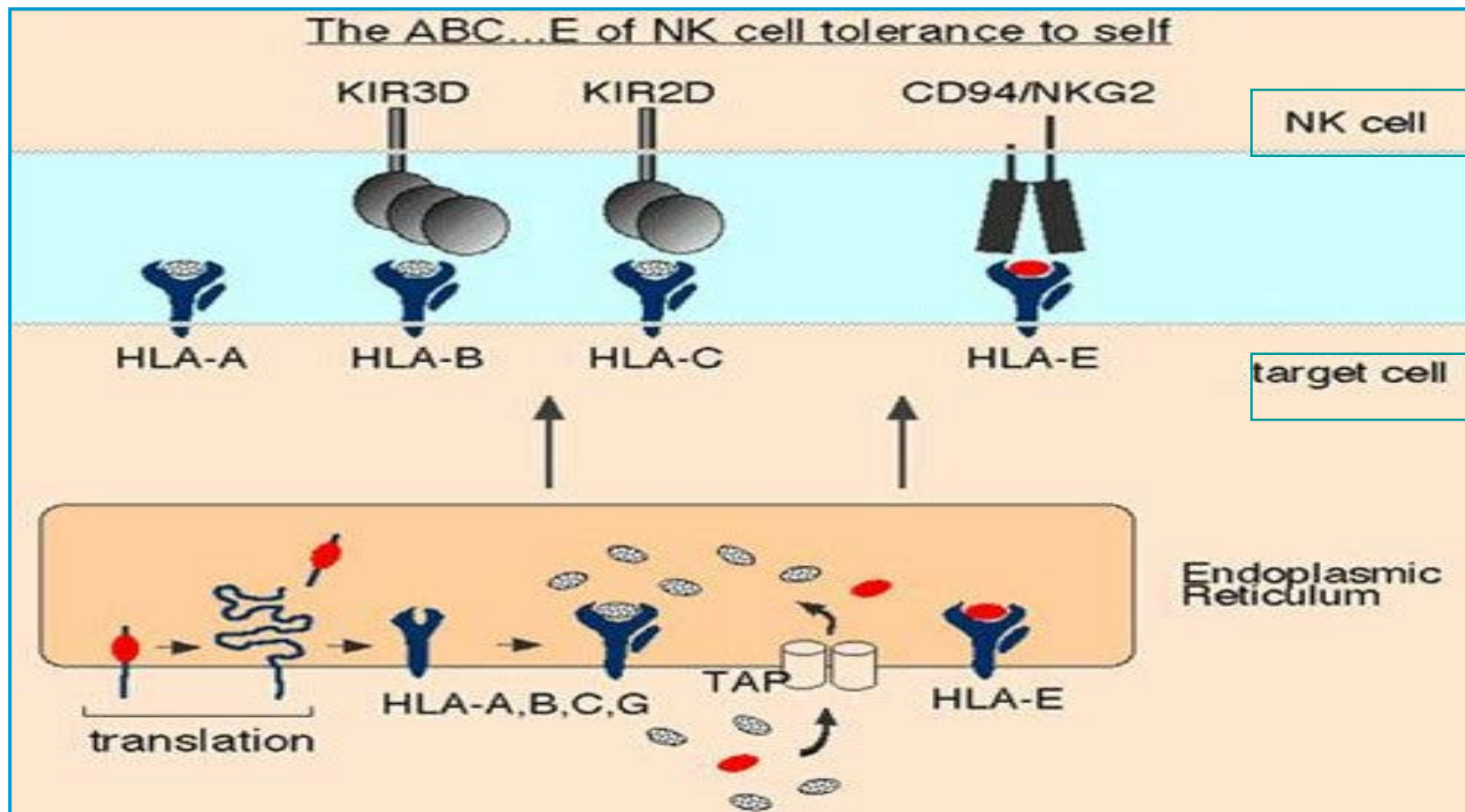
Maturing CD56dim NK cells return to the circulation via the efferent lymph, whereas some CD56bright NK cells remain within the secondary lymphoid tissue to interact with DCs.

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**CD56bright and CD56dim NK-cell interactions.**

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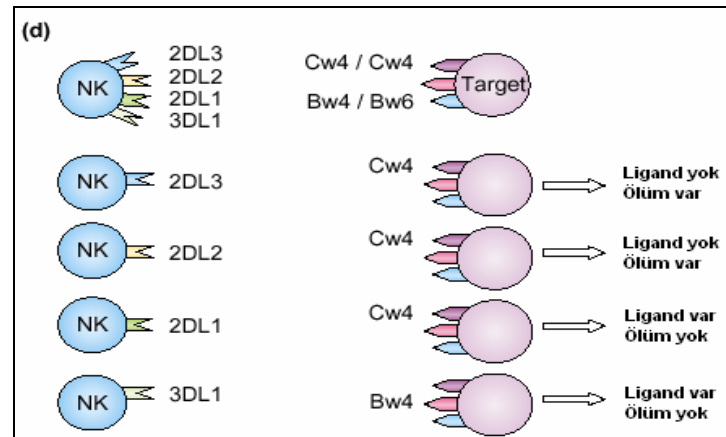
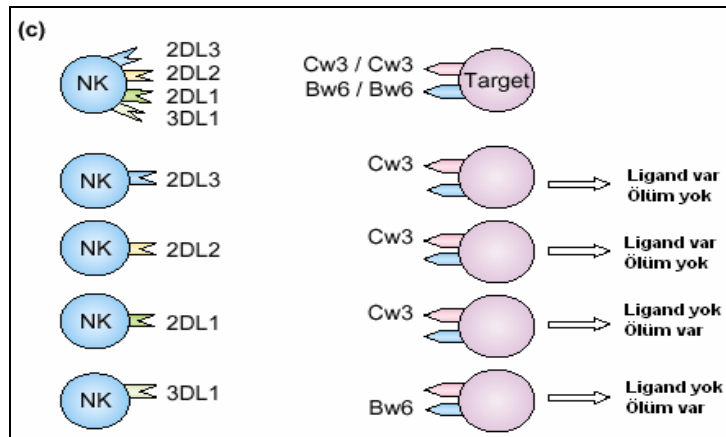
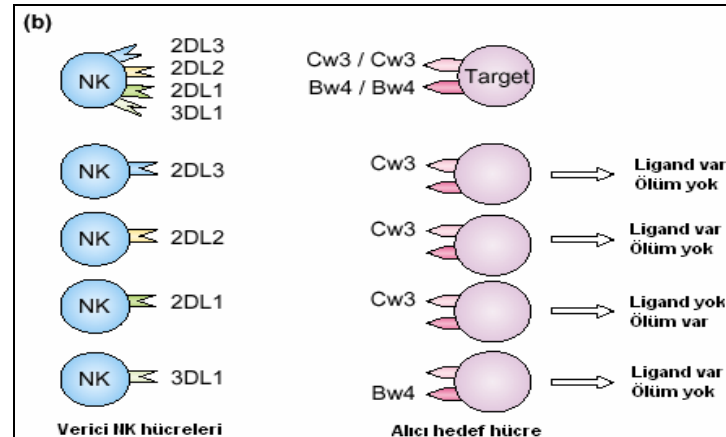
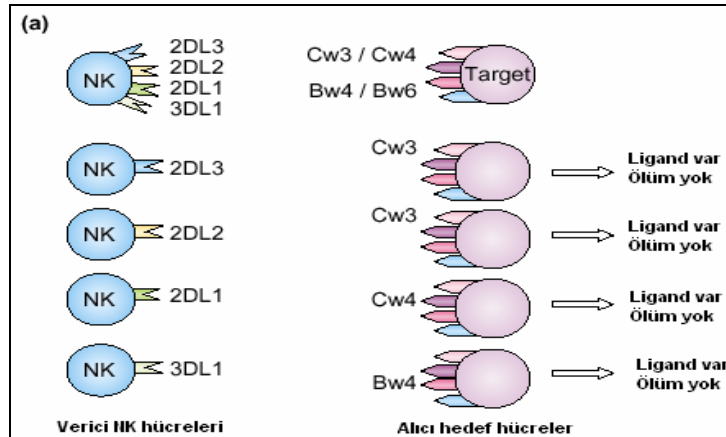
KIR mismatch in HLA direction can create an alloreactive constellation

## Selecting NK alloreactive donor

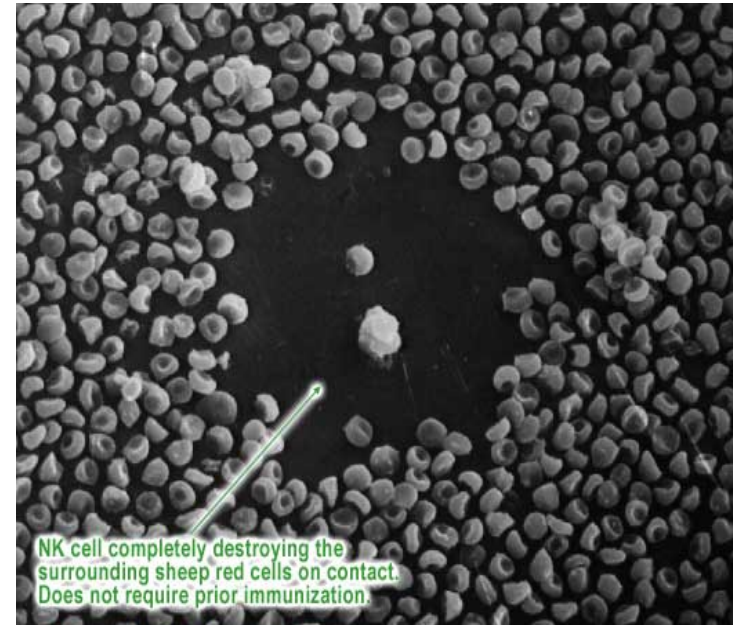
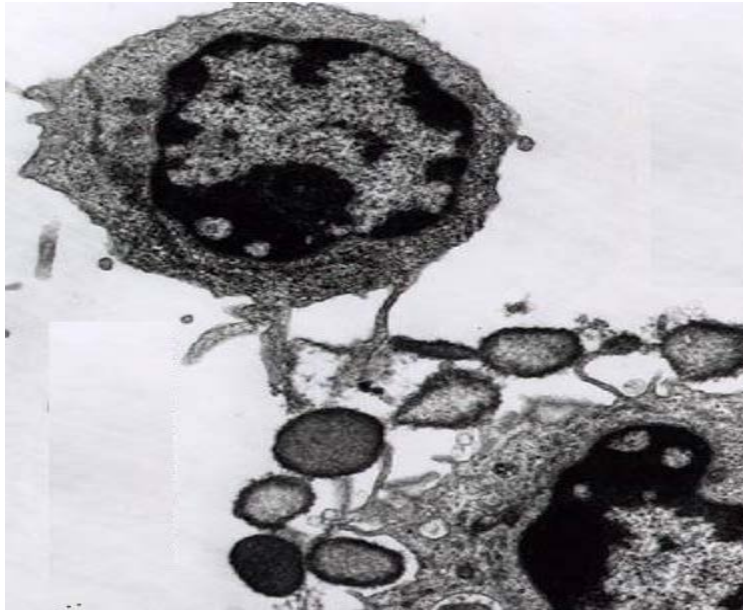
Table 2. Donor/recipient combinations predicting NK cell alloreactivity in the GvH direction.

| Recipient HLA type                    | HLA type of NK alloreactive donor* |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Group 1 HLA-C, Group 2 HLA-C, HLA-Bw4 | No NK alloreactive donor           |
| Group 1 HLA-C, Group 2 HLA-C          | HLA-Bw4                            |
| Group 1 HLA-C, HLA-Bw4                | Group 2 HLA-C                      |
| Group 2 HLA-C, HLA-Bw4                | Group 1 HLA-C                      |
| Group 1 HLA-C                         | Group 2 HLA-C and/or HLA-Bw4       |
| Group 2 HLA-C                         | Group 1 HLA-C and/or HLA-Bw4       |

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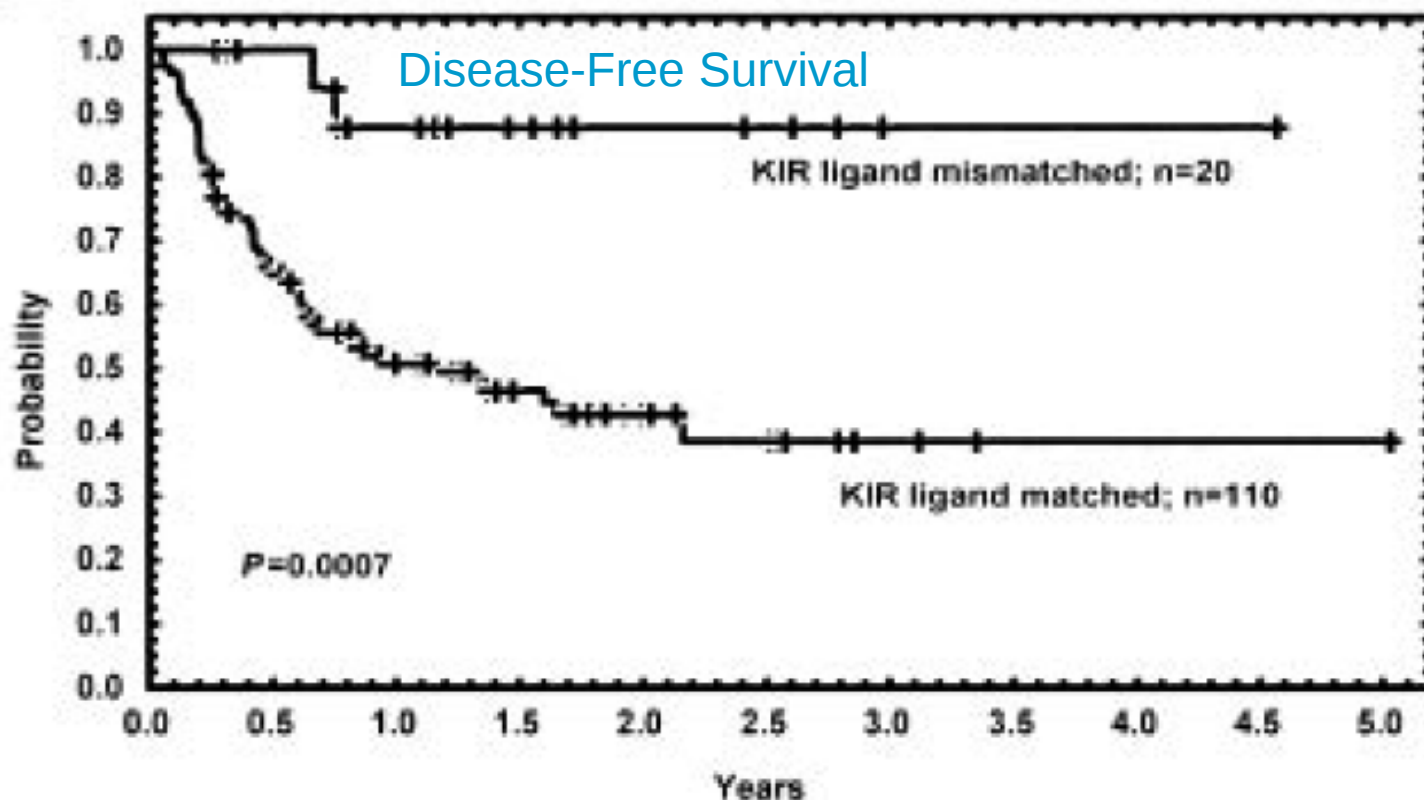
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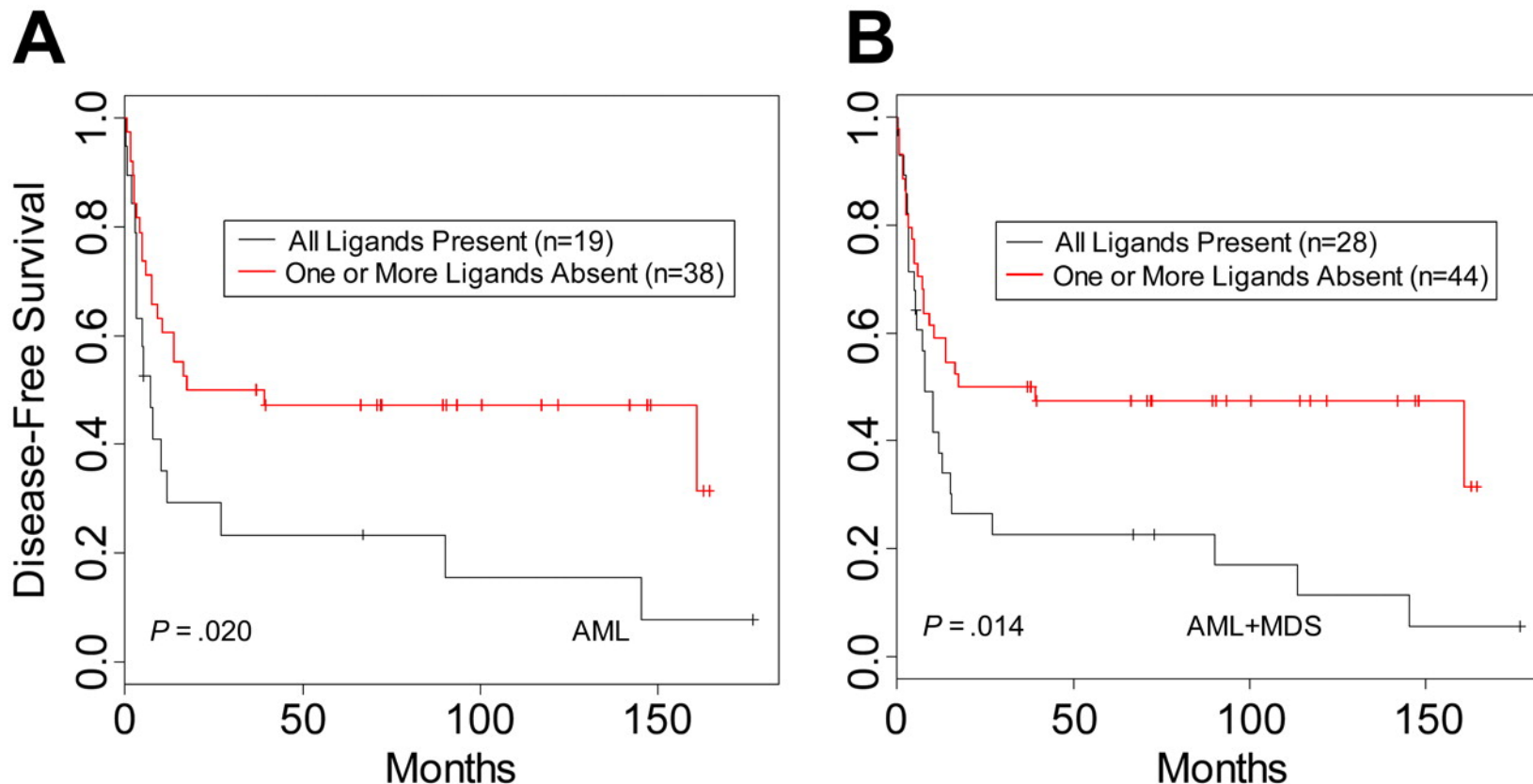
- Kendinden (otolog) olmayan epitoplarla karşılaşan NK hücreler KIR repertuarı aracılığıyla tanımladığı hücreleri Graenzim-perforin aracılığı ile öldürür veya apoptozise sevkeder.
- Bu yolla tümör hücreleri virüs ve bakteriyle karşılaşmış hücre grupları diğer koruyucu sistemlerin devreye girmesinden çok daha önce etkili bir savunma platformu oluşturur.

## Survival advantage with KIR ligand incompatibility in hematopoietic stem cell transplantation from unrelated donors

Sebastian Giebel, Franco Locatelli, Teresa Lamparelli, Andrea Velardi, Stella Davies, Guido Frumento, Rita Maccario, Federico Bonetti, Jerzy Wojnar, Miryam Martinetti, Francesco Frassoni, Giovanna Giorgiani, Andrea Bacigalupo, and Jerzy Holowiecki

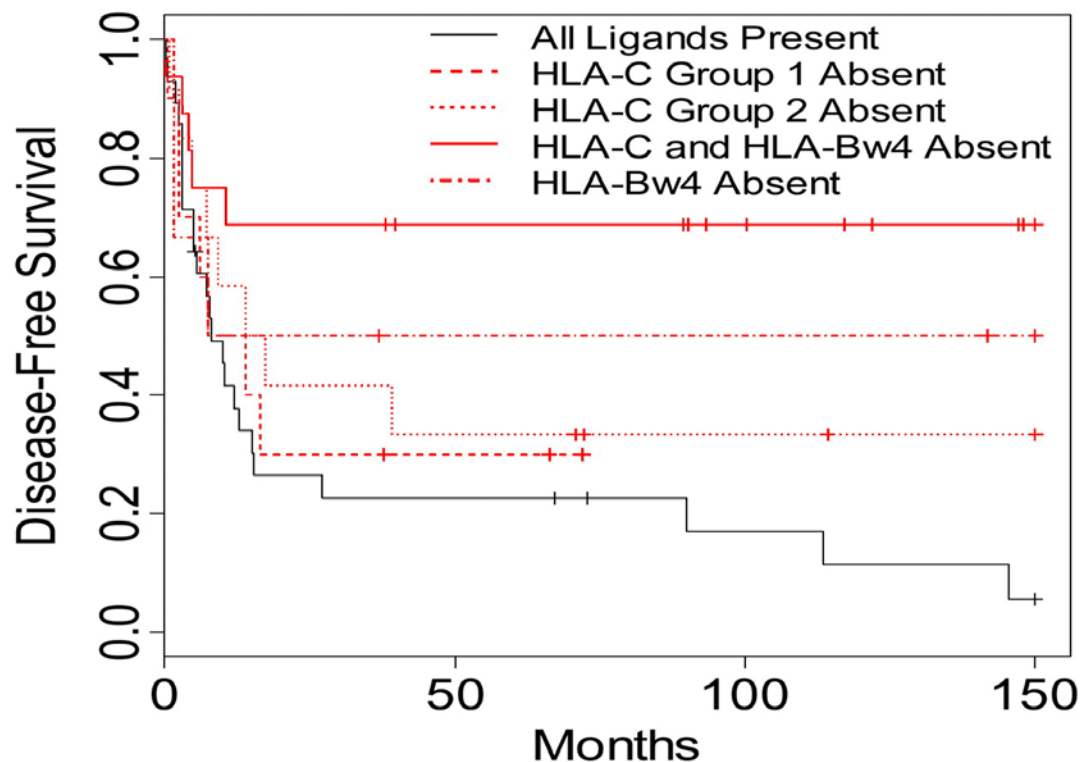


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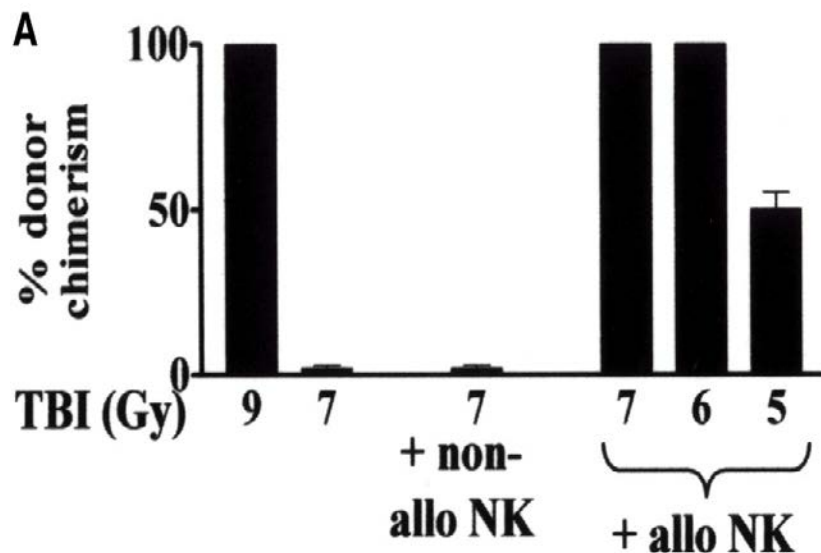


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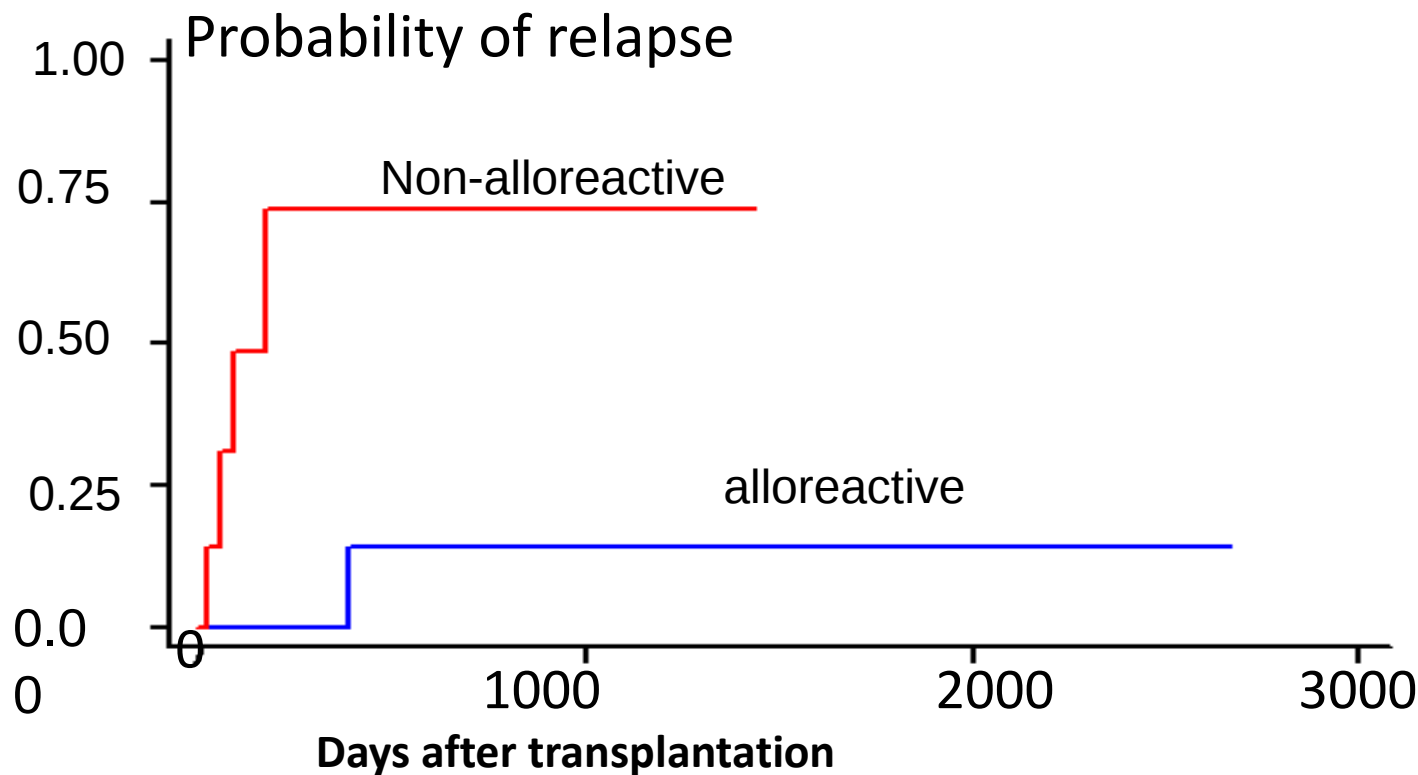


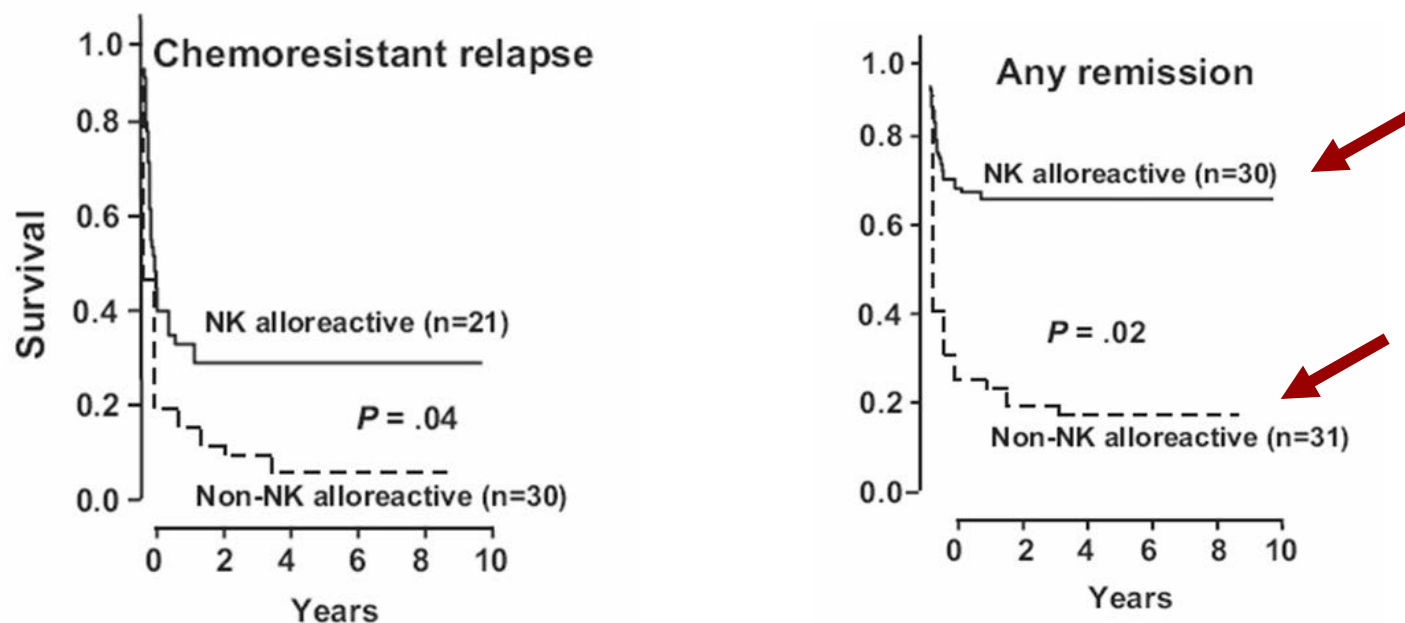
Alloreactive NK cells facilitate engraftment in mice



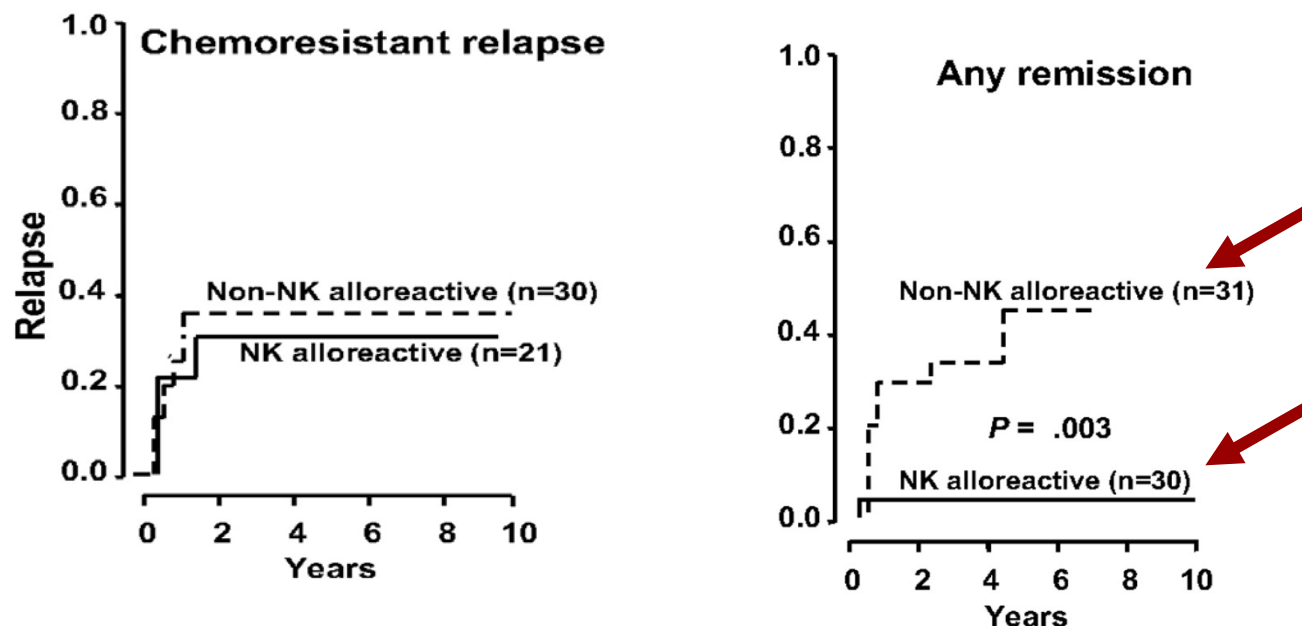
In mice, the pretransplant infusion of alloreactive NK cells obviated the need for high-intensity conditioning and reduced GVHD.

Alloreactive NK cells support antitumor activity

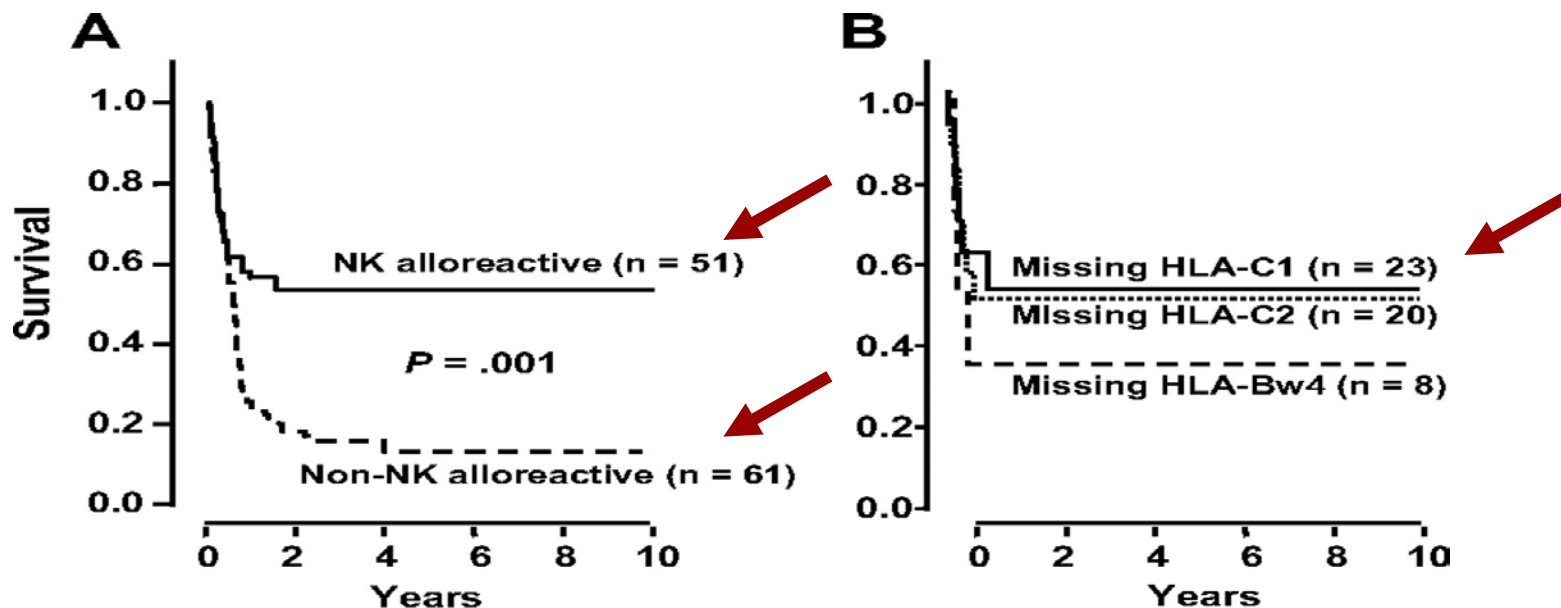




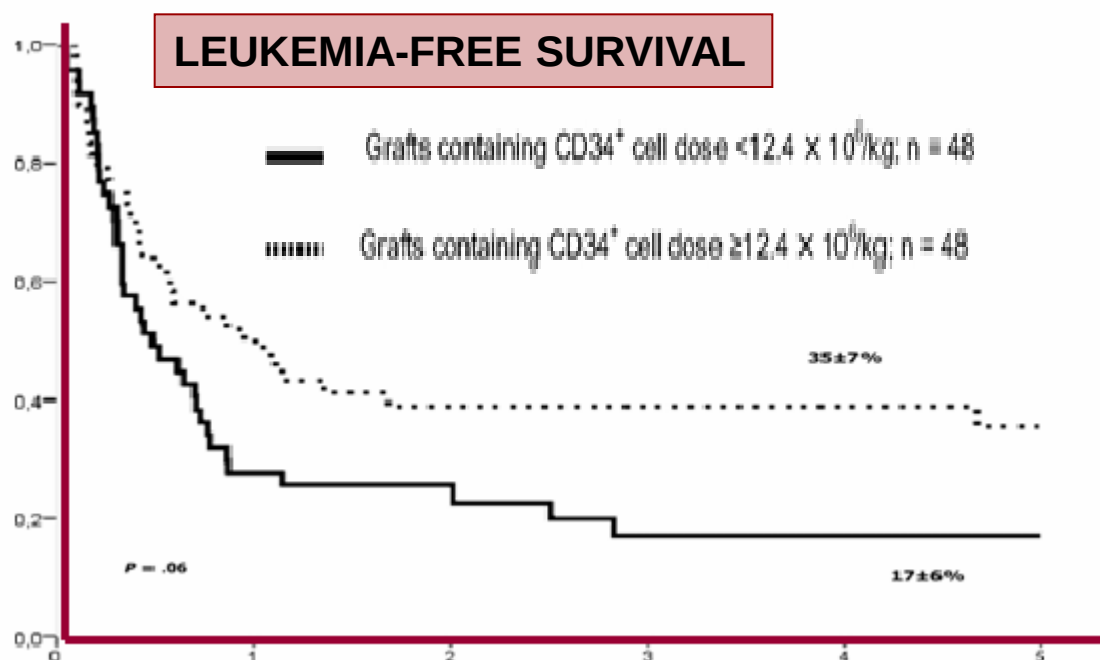
**Figure 4. Transplantation from haploidentical NK alloreactive donors improves EFS.** (A) EFS in patients transplanted in relapse from NK-alloreactive versus non-NK alloreactive donors. (B) EFS in patients transplanted in CR from NK alloreactive versus non-NK alloreactive donors.



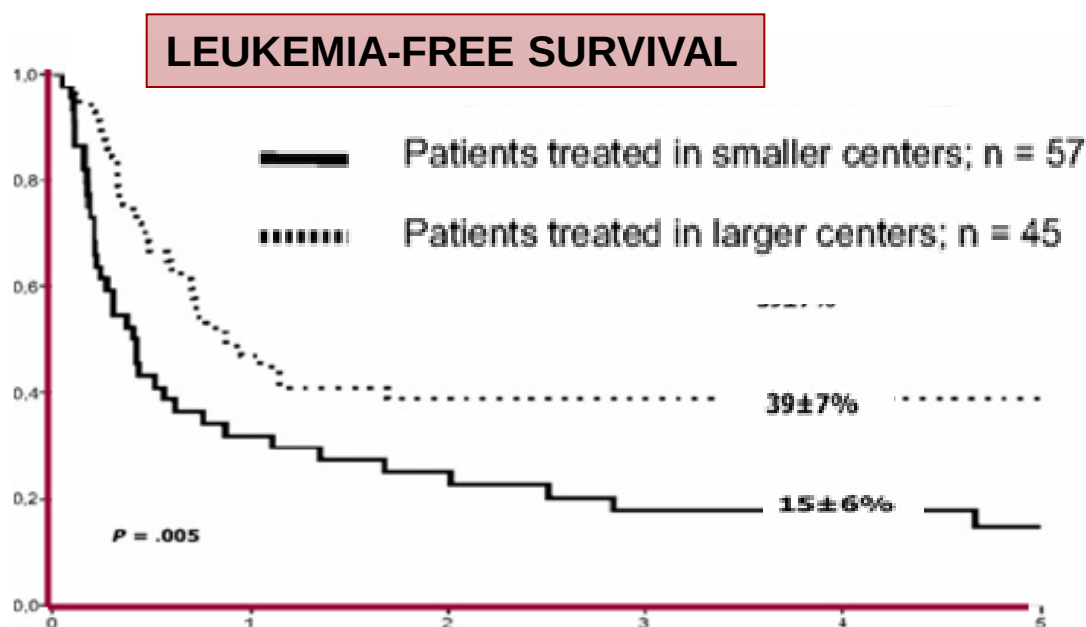
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**Figure 5. EFS according to NK cell alloreactivity and to specific KIR ligand mismatches.** (A) EFS after transplantation from NK-alloreactive donors versus non-NK alloreactive donors in the entire series of 112 haploidentical transplant recipients. (B) EFS after transplantation from NK-alloreactive donors according to the specific donor KIR ligand that was missing in the recipient. Solid line indicates HLA-C 1; dotted line, HLA-C 2; broken line, HLA-Bw4.



Leukemia-free survival of patients with ALL in remission according to CD34<sup>+</sup> cell dose in the graft.

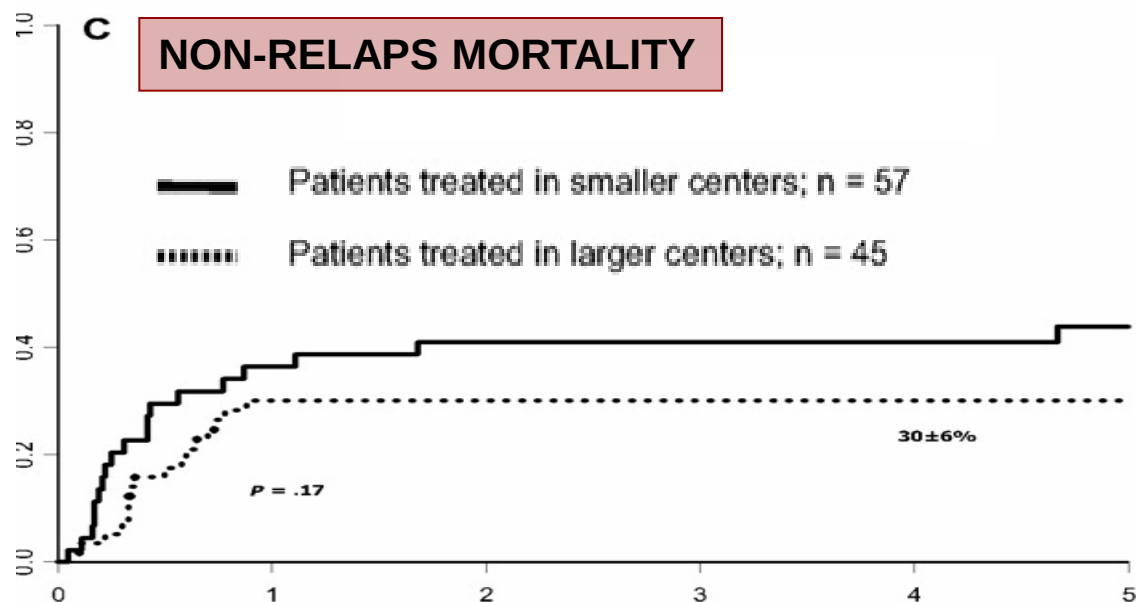


Leukemia-free survival after haploHSCT in children with ALL according to number of alloHSCTs performed in participating transplant centers



European Blood and Marrow Transplant group

Results and factors influencing outcome after fully haploidentical hematopoietic stem cell transplantation in children with very high-risk acute lymphoblastic leukemia: impact of center size



Cumulative incidence of nonrelapse mortality in patients with ALL in remission only, according to number of haploH SCTs

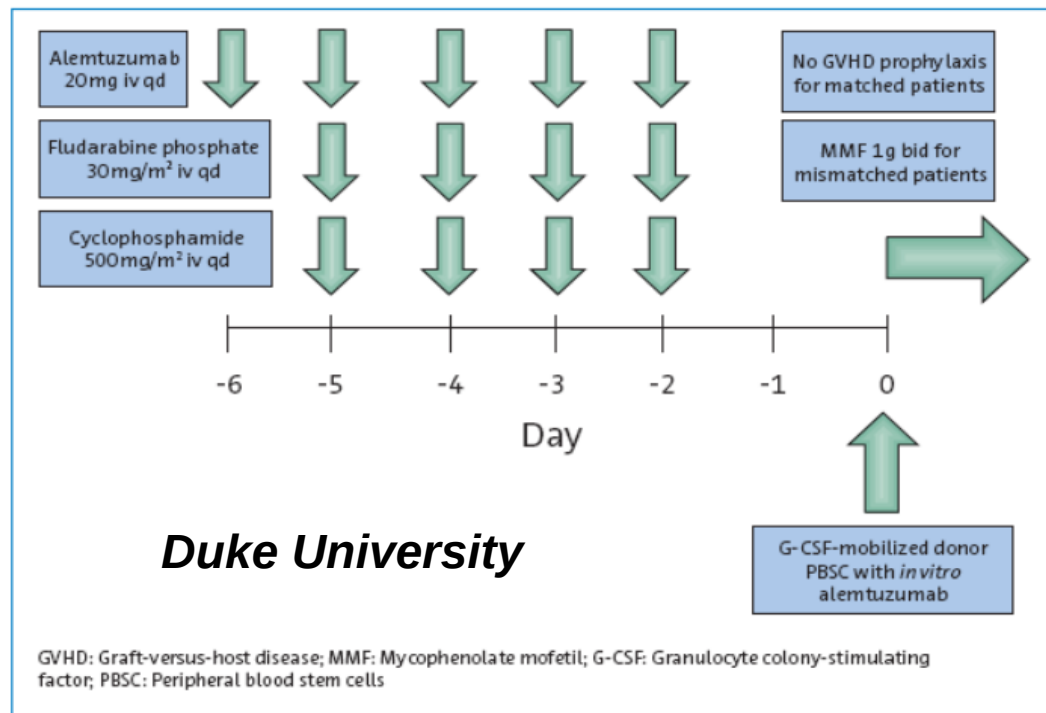
## Limitations of the approach using “megadose” of extensively T cell-depleted GCSF mobilized PBSC cells and Myeloablative conditioning

- Many patients are too old to receive ablative conditioning.
- Concern of slow engraftment or graft failure in patients receiving a lower cell dose (delayed engraftment at CD34 doses less than  $8 \times 10^6/\text{kg}$  )
- Considerable demand on both the donors and the pheresis service for the following reasons: 1) **Long hours and multiple days of pheresis, can be exhausting with a slight increase in pheresis-related adverse effects to donors; 2) Time-consuming and labor-intensive for the pheresis and stem cell processing laboratory staff**
- Regimen related toxicity and high TRM between 25-40%.

Nonmyeloablative approach ?????

# Partially Matched, Nonmyeloablative Allogeneic Transplantation: Clinical Outcomes and Immune Reconstitution

## Protocol & Patient and Disease Characteristics



**Figure 1** Treatment schema

No. of patients 49  
Age 48 (range 17-65)

Diagnosis no. (%)  
Lymphoma/Myeloma 15  
CML 2  
Leukemia/ MDS 29  
MPD 3

Pre-transplant Rx no. (%)  
Prior autoSCT 12 (25)  
Previously untreated 2 (4)  
No of prior regimen  
Median 3  
Range 0-8

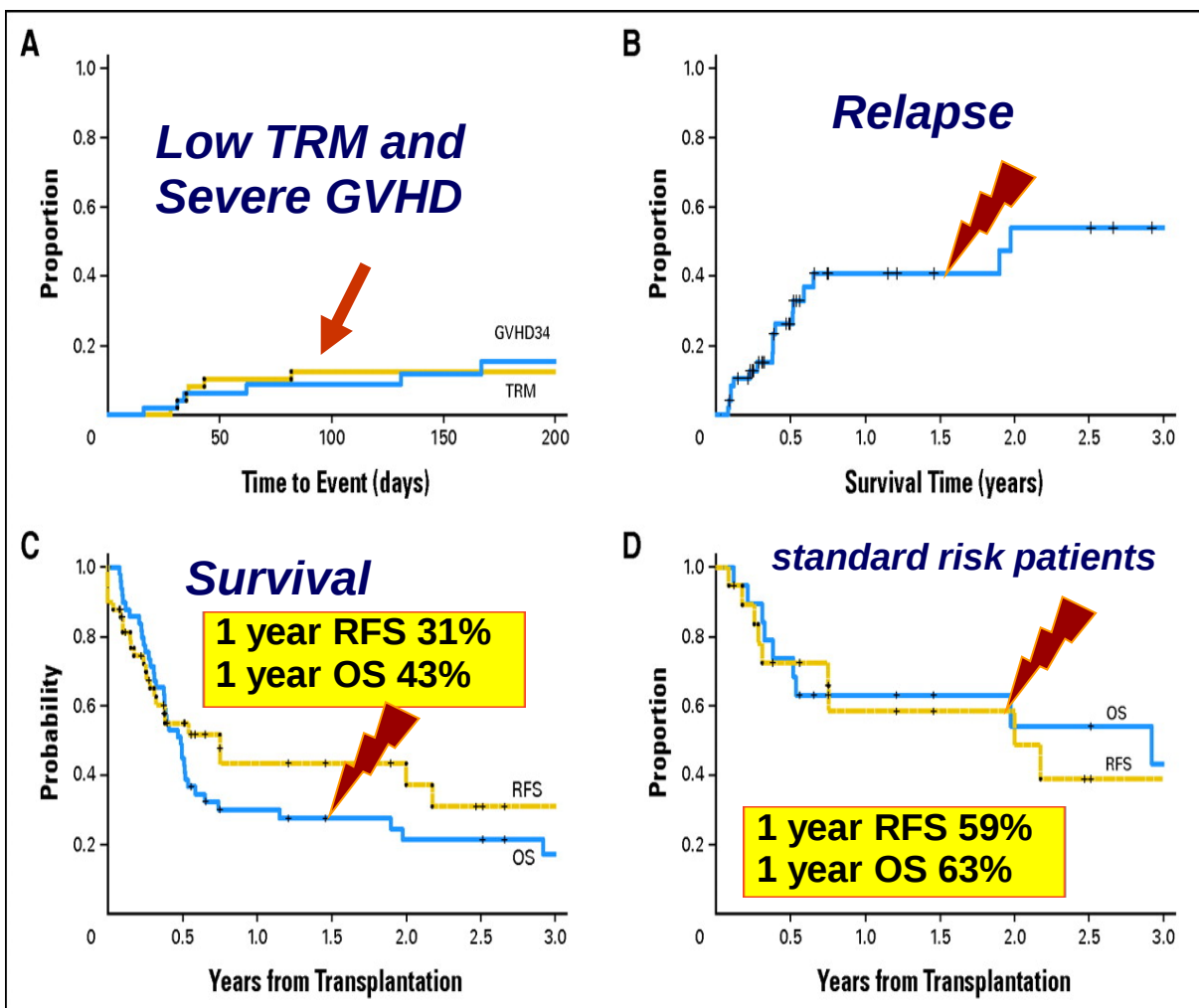
## Partially Matched, Nonmyeloablative Allogeneic Transplantation: Clinical Outcomes and Immune Reconstitution

- *Successful engraftment in 94% of patients*
  - *Low treatment related mortality rates of 10.2% in the first 100 days.*
  - *Severe GVHD ( $\geq$  grade 3) of 8%.*
- *>50% not in first CR at transplantation*
  - *High CR rate of 75% was achieved*

Engraftment and Response of All Patients After Partially HLA-Matched Nonmyeloablative Allogeneic Transplantation (N = 49)

| Engraftment and Response                                  | No. of Patients | %  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----|
| Median donor engraftment at time after transplantation, % |                 |    |
| 0.5 months                                                | 72              |    |
| 1.5 months                                                | 87              |    |
| 3 months                                                  | > 98            |    |
| 6 months                                                  | > 98            |    |
| 12 months                                                 | > 98            |    |
| Graft failure                                             |                 |    |
| Primary                                                   | 3               | 6  |
| Aplasia                                                   | 1               |    |
| MDS                                                       | 1               |    |
| Chronic myeloid leukemia blast crisis                     | 1               |    |
| Secondary                                                 | 4               | 8  |
| Cytomegalovirus/ganciclovir                               | 3               |    |
| Respiratory syncytial virus/ribavirin                     | 1               |    |
| Disease status at transplantation                         |                 |    |
| CR1 (MDS or high-risk AML) or untreated                   | 7               | 14 |
| First PR or CR2                                           | 12              | 24 |
| PD or refractory disease                                  | 30              | 61 |
| Response to transplantation                               |                 |    |
| CR                                                        | 37              | 75 |
| PR                                                        | 5               | 10 |
| SD or PD                                                  | 7               | 14 |

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Cause of Death and Incidence of Acute GVHD

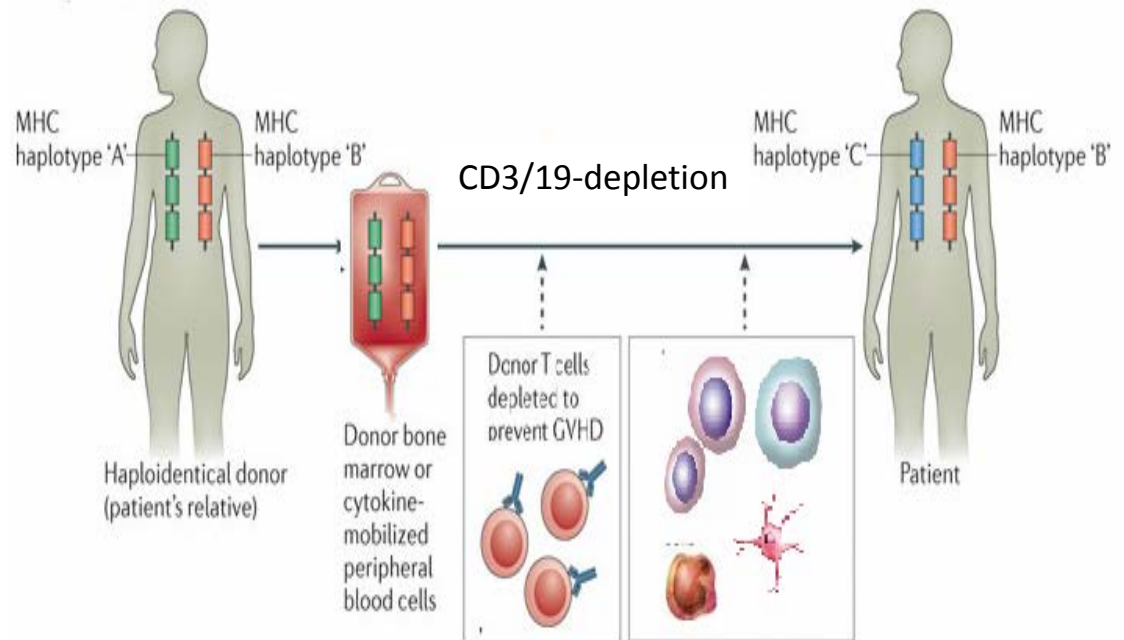
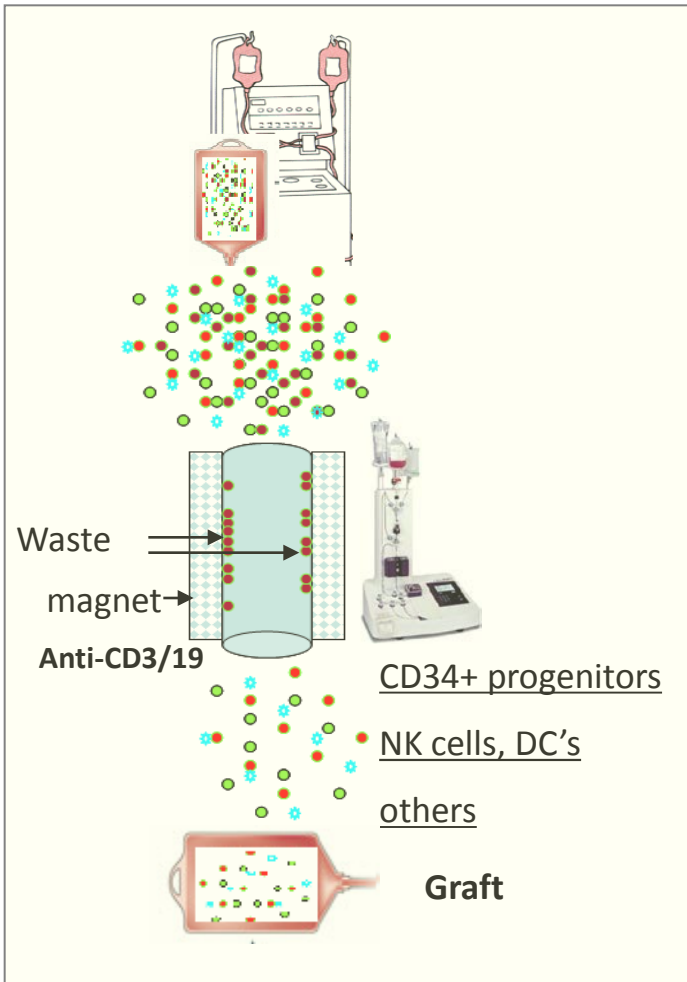
| Death and GVHD                 | No. of Patients | %  |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|----|
| Cause of death                 |                 |    |
| Progressive disease            | 24              | 49 |
| Infections                     | 11              | 22 |
| PTLD                           | 2               | 4  |
| Hemolytic anemia               | 1               | 2  |
| Neurotoxicity                  | 1               | 2  |
| Acute GVHD                     |                 |    |
| Grade 2                        | 4               | 8  |
| Grade 3                        | 3               | 6  |
| Grade 4                        | 1               | 2  |
| Grade 2-4                      | 8               | 16 |
| Grade 3-4                      | 4               | 8  |
| Chronic GVHD/failure to thrive |                 |    |
| Limited                        | 5               |    |
| Extensive                      | 2               |    |

# CYTOTHERAPY

The Journal of Cell Therapy

**Another concept in 2000's : CD3/CD19 depletion and RIC**  
**CD3/19-negative depletion strategy of mobilized PBSC's :**

A one-step large-scale Method for T-and B-cell depletion of Mobilized PBSC for allogeneic transplantation.



## Haploidentical allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplantation in adults using CD3/CD19 depletion and reduced intensity conditioning: An update

Table 1. Graft composition after CD3/CD19 depletion

| Cell population        | CD34 selection ( <i>n</i> = 17) | CD3/CD19 depletion ( <i>n</i> = 19) |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Total cell number pre  | $5.8 \times 10^{10}$            | $5.0 \times 10^{10}$                |
| Total cell number post | $0.03 \times 10^{10}$           | $1.5 \times 10^{10}$                |
| T cells                | 0.11%                           | 0.003%                              |
| T-cell depletion       | 4.6 log                         | 4.4 log                             |
| CD19+ cells            | not done                        | 0.003%                              |
| Stem cell purity       | 97.5%                           | 0.97%                               |
| Stem cell recovery     | 78%                             | 59%                                 |
| NK cells/kg BW         | $0.003 \times 10^6$             | $35 \times 10^6$                    |
| Monocytes/kg BW        | $0.3 \times 10^6$               | $130 \times 10^6$                   |
| Granulocytes/kg BW     | $0.3 \times 10^6$               | $38 \times 10^6$                    |

Values were determined by flow cytometry pre and post each immunomagnetic selection/depletion procedure. Numbers present medians of all evaluable procedures.

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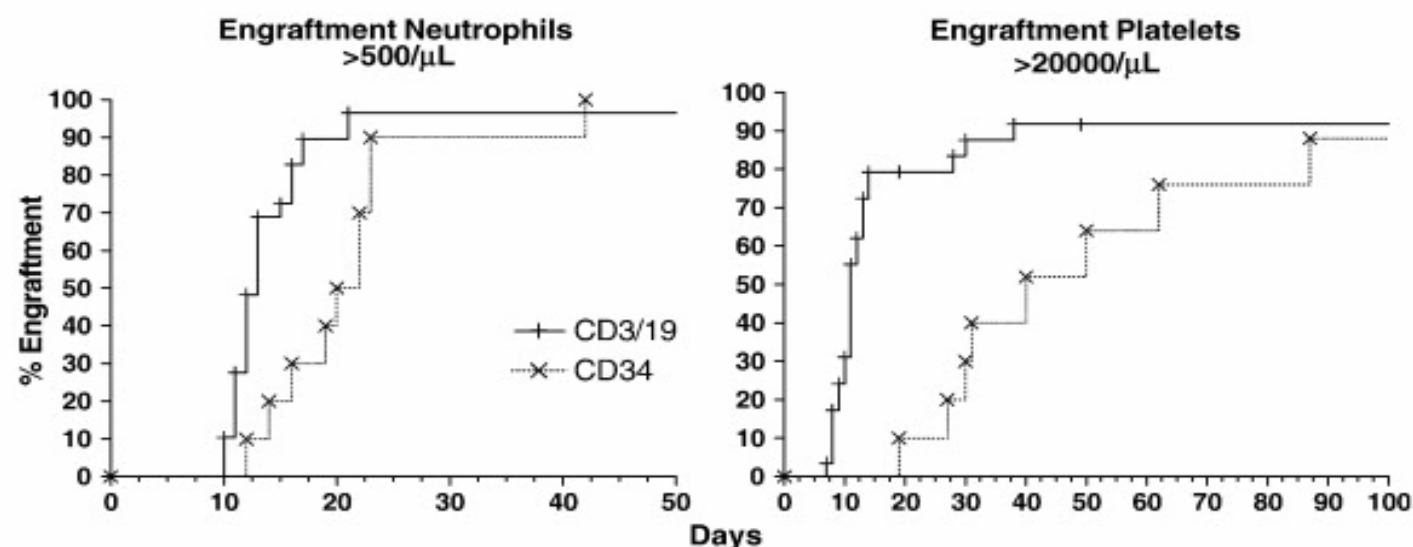


Fig. 1. Time to recovery of neutrophils and platelets. Percentage of patients engrafted by time from the day of transplantation in a cumulative curve for neutrophils > 500/ $\mu$ L and platelets > 20000/ $\mu$ L. Dotted line indicates recovery of historical patients after intensive conditioning and CD34 selection.

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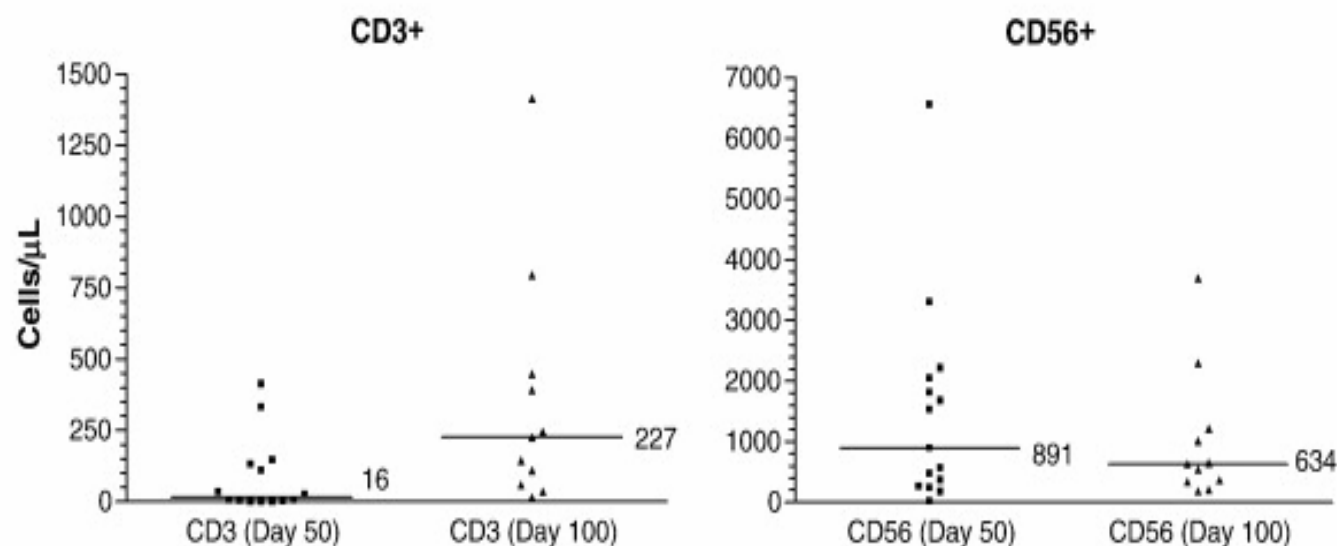


Fig. 2. Count of CD3+ T cells and CD56+ NK cells on days +50 and +100. Absolute CD3 and CD56+ count in 16 evaluable patients on days +50 and +100 ( $\pm$  20 days) after HCT.

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TRM , 100 days, 6/29 (20%)

idiopathic pneumonia

syndrome ( $n = 1$ ),

mucormycosis ( $n = 1$ ),

pneumonia ( $n = 3$ )

GVHD ( $n = 1$ ).

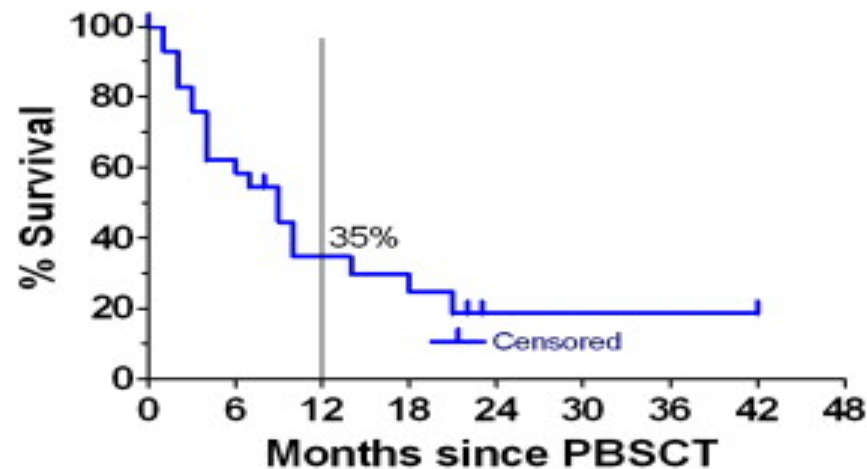
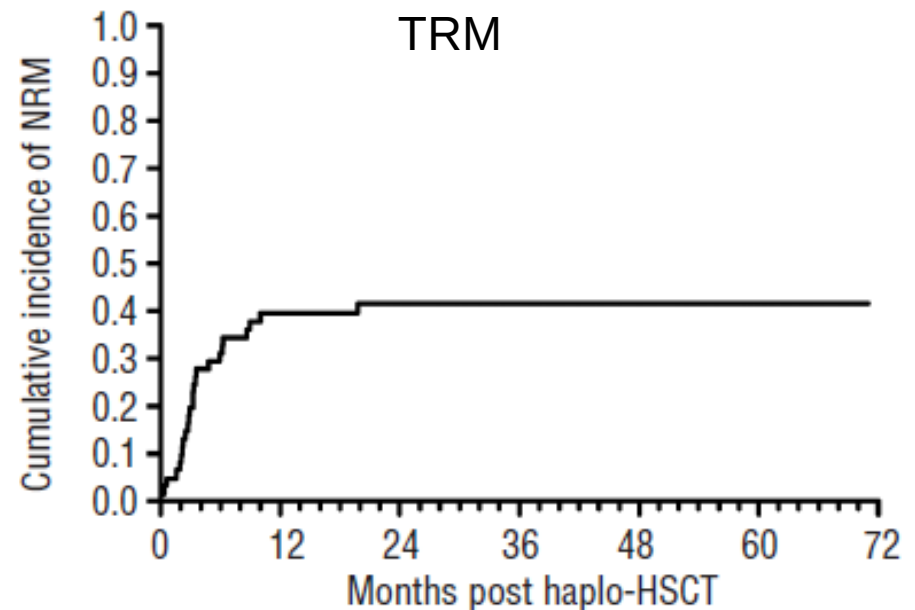
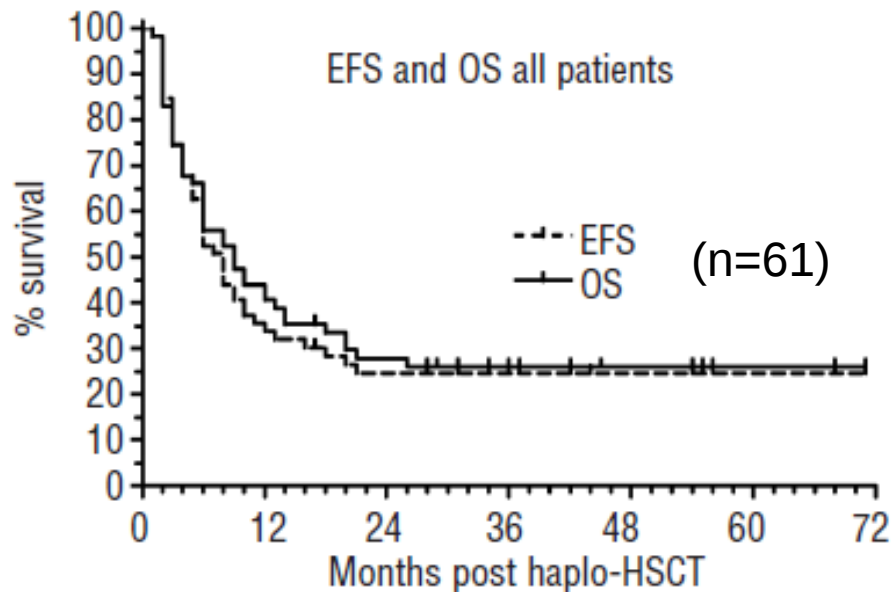


Fig. 3. Kaplan-Meier estimate of disease free and overall survival.

Overall survival is 9/29 patients (35%) with a median follow-up of 241 days



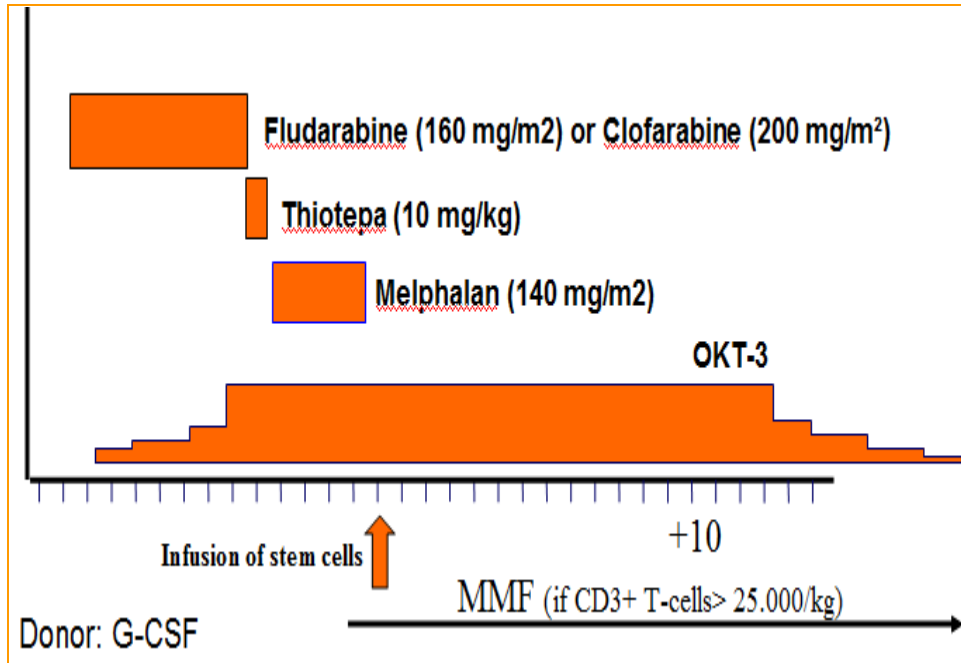
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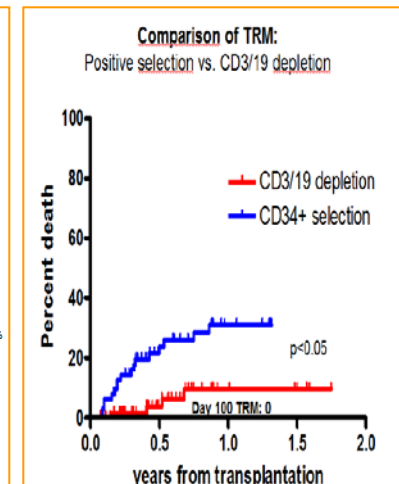
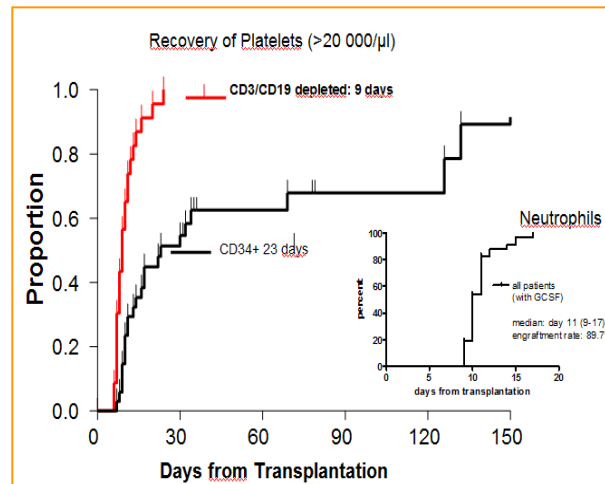
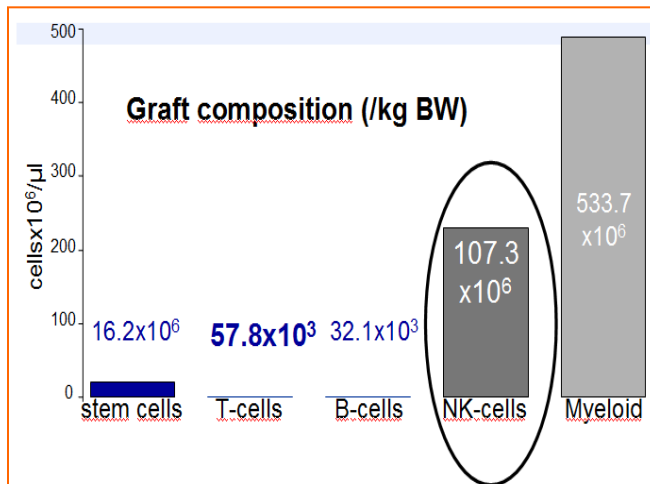
### Rapid increase of NK cells, delayed T-and B-cell reconstitution

Federmann B. ...Bethge W. Immune reconstitution after haploidentical hematopoietic cell transplantation: Impact of reduced intensity conditioning and CD3/CD19 depleted grafts. **Leukemia** 2011; **25**: 121.

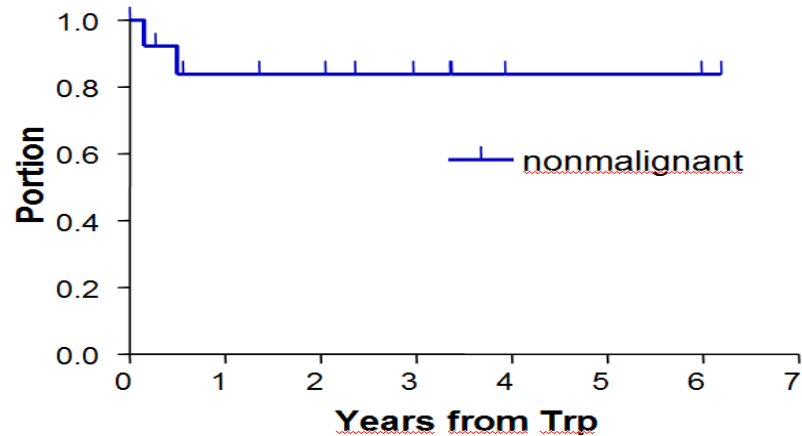
# CD3/19-depleted haploidentical PBSC's using RIC regimen



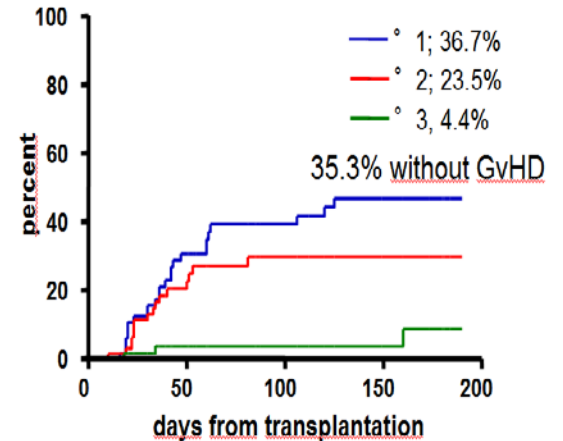
| Diagnosis            | n=106     | Remission status | Remission status | 2 <sup>nd</sup> SCT |
|----------------------|-----------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| ALL                  | 28        | CR1-3=21         | NR=7             | 11                  |
| AML                  | 22        | CR1-3=8          | NR=14            | 4                   |
| MDS                  | 10        | RA=3             | RAEB-T=7         | 4                   |
| <b>Solid Tumors</b>  | <b>32</b> |                  |                  |                     |
| Neuroblastoma        | 19        | CR1=7            | PR/NR=11         | 18                  |
| Rhabdomyosarkoma     | 6         |                  | PR=6             | 1                   |
| Ewings Sarkoma       | 6         | CR=1             | PR=5             | 3                   |
| Synovial Sarkoma     | 1         | CR=1             |                  |                     |
| <b>Non-malignant</b> | <b>14</b> |                  |                  |                     |
| SAA, PNH, SCID       | 8         | INBORN ERRORS    | 4                |                     |



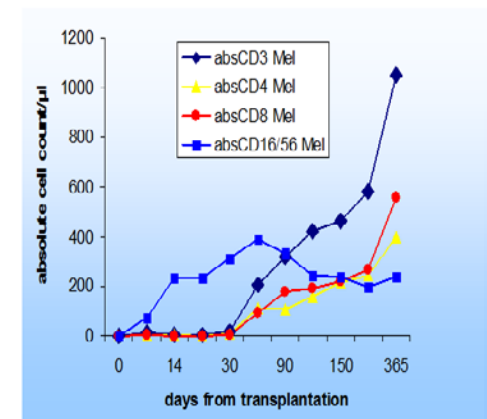
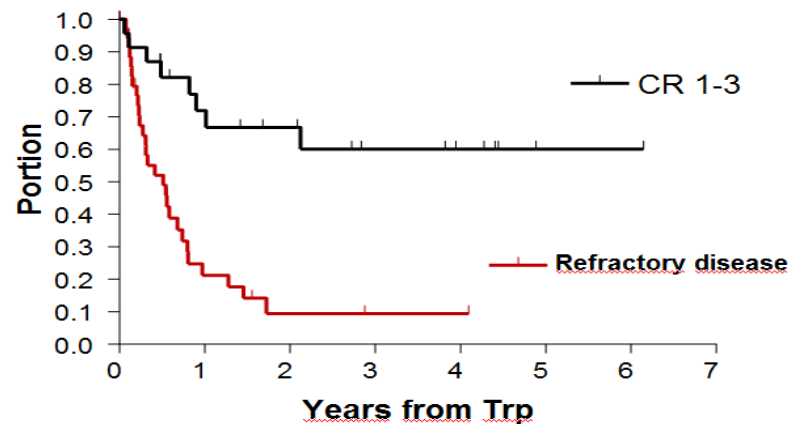
## EFS: nonmalignant diseases



## Incidence of GvHD (grade 1-3)

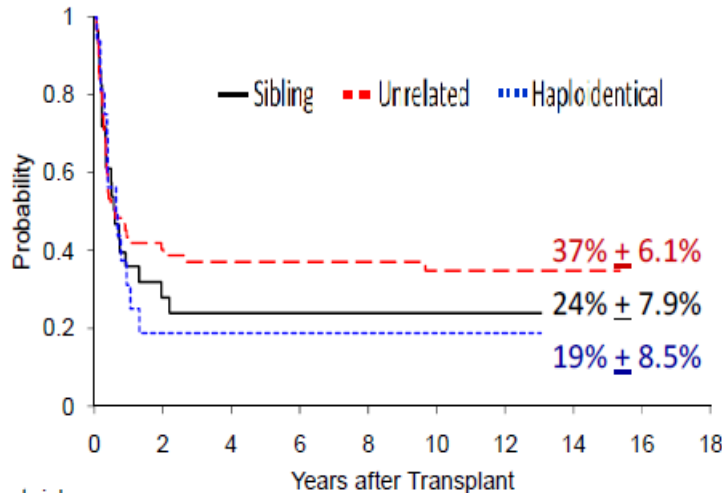


## EFS (hematological malignancies)

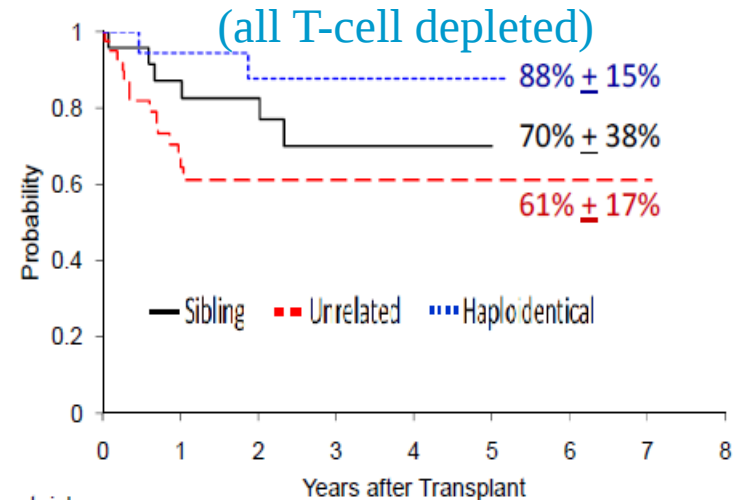


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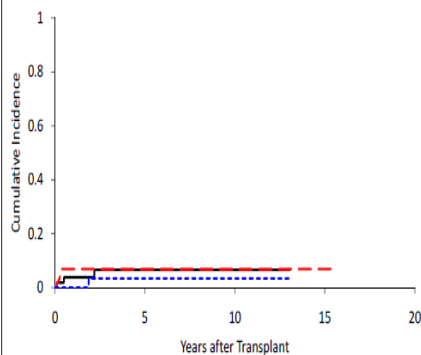
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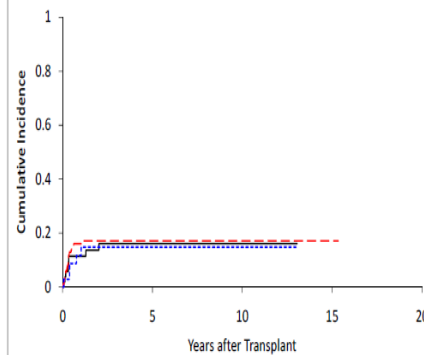
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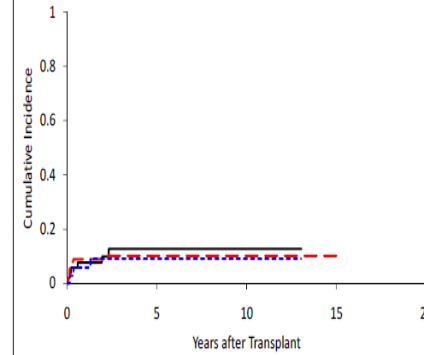
GVHD



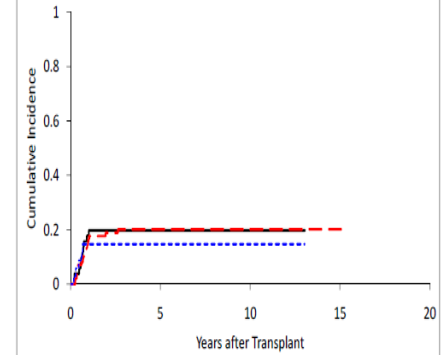
Regimen Toxicity



Infection



Relapse



# What we have learned from the older studies

- *Tcell depleted megadose HSC's may prevent rejection and support homing but dont increase GVHD*
- *NK alloreactivity induce not only antitumor effect but also stronger engraftment*
- *Center effect may be more important in haploidentical setting*
- *Non-myeloablative transplant may decrease TRM but relapse rate main cause of death*

But.. Graft rejection, infection and relaps still very important problems

# New Modalities to Improve Outcome

**Manipulated:** “ $\alpha\beta$ T cells Depletion induced tolerance”

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## $\gamma\delta$ T cells might serve as important effectors with limited side effects after allo-SCT ?

### **V $\delta$ 2+ $\gamma\delta$ T cells**

Best  
characterized



1-5% of  
peripheral  
CD3+ T cells

### **V $\delta$ 2- $\gamma\delta$ T cells**



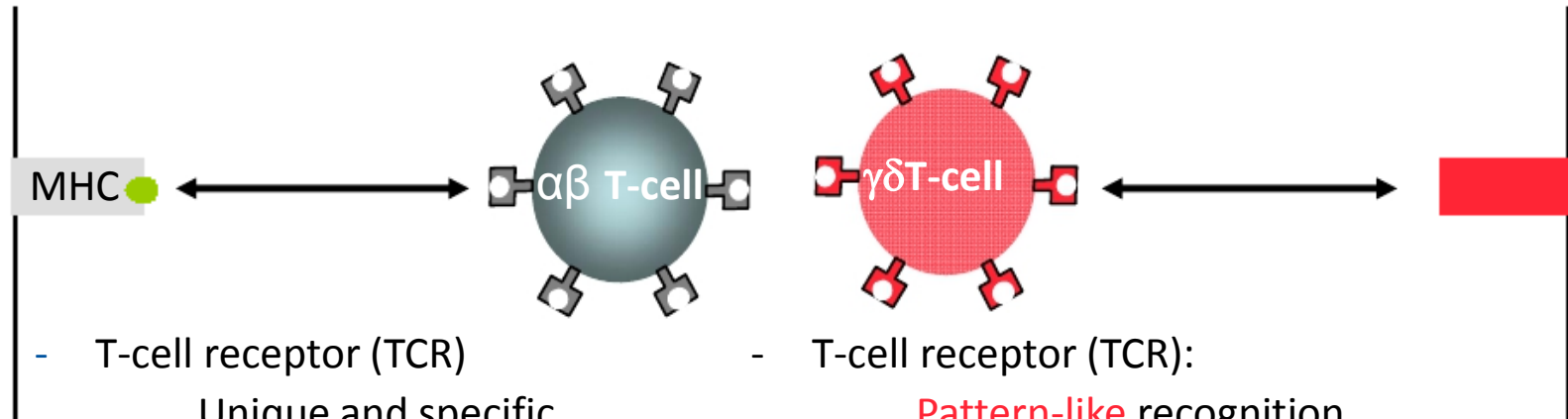
Up to 50% of  
tissue CD3+ T cells

### **Anti-viral and anti-tumor activity!**

belong to the six-of-the-best & unique  
contributions of  $\gamma\delta$ T cells to  
immunology

*P. Vantourout & A. Hayday Nat Rev Immunol 2013*

# $\gamma\delta$ T cells might overcome major hurdles of a $\alpha\beta$ T-cell based immunotherapies



- T-cell receptor (TCR)  
Unique and specific  
interaction

- T-cell receptor (TCR):  
**Pattern-like** recognition  
of ligands

- Applicable to a subset of patients

- Applicable to a **broad** patient population

- Helpful and harmful
  - Recognize transformed cells
  - Recognize virally-infected cells
  - Mediate graft-versus-host-disease

- Interesting target specificities:
  - Recognize transformed cells
  - Recognize virally-infected cells
  - **Do not mediate graft-versus-host-disease**

Tackle major problems during  
allogeneic stem cell transplantation

# Key observations after allo-SCT

- **Paradoxical finding after allo-SCT in the era of good anti-viral drugs:**

- CMV infection associates with a decreased relapse rate



Behrendt et al. BBMT 2009

Elmaagacli et al. Blood 2011

## **Association studies investigating $\gamma\delta$ T-cells after allo-SCT**

- – Increased  $\gamma\delta$ T-cells are observed after CMV infection



Knight et al. Blood 2010

- An increase in  $\gamma\delta$ T-cells after allo SCT associates with an improved survival



Godder al. BMT 2007

- Certain subsets of  $\gamma\delta$ T-cells can be reactive against solid tumor cells



Halary et al. Exp Med 2005

## Hypothesis

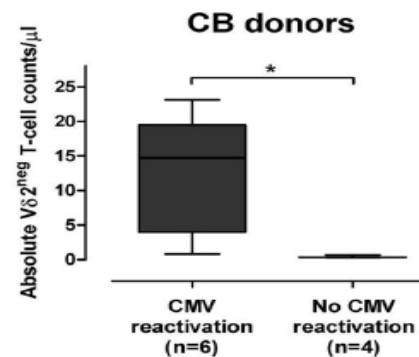
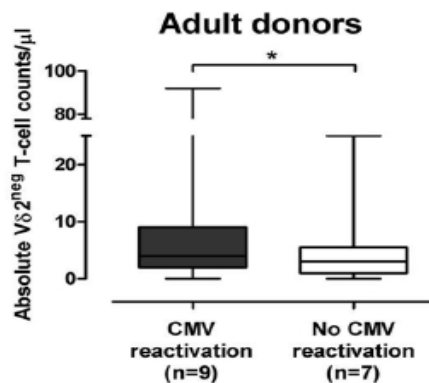
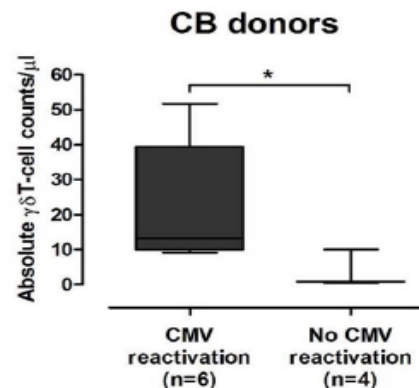
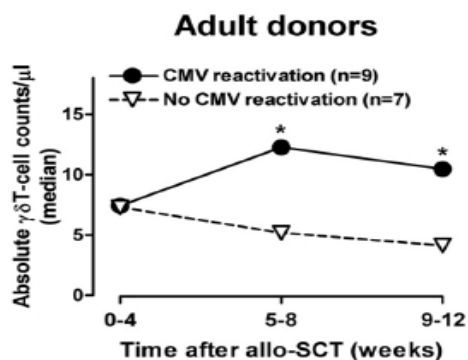
Do  $\gamma\delta$ T-cells elicited after CMV-reactivation mediate anti-CMV and anti-leukemia reactivity,

thus contribute to the observed “paradoxical” improved survival after CMV-reactivation?

- Conventional grafts (16 patients)
- Cord blood (CB) grafts (10 patients)

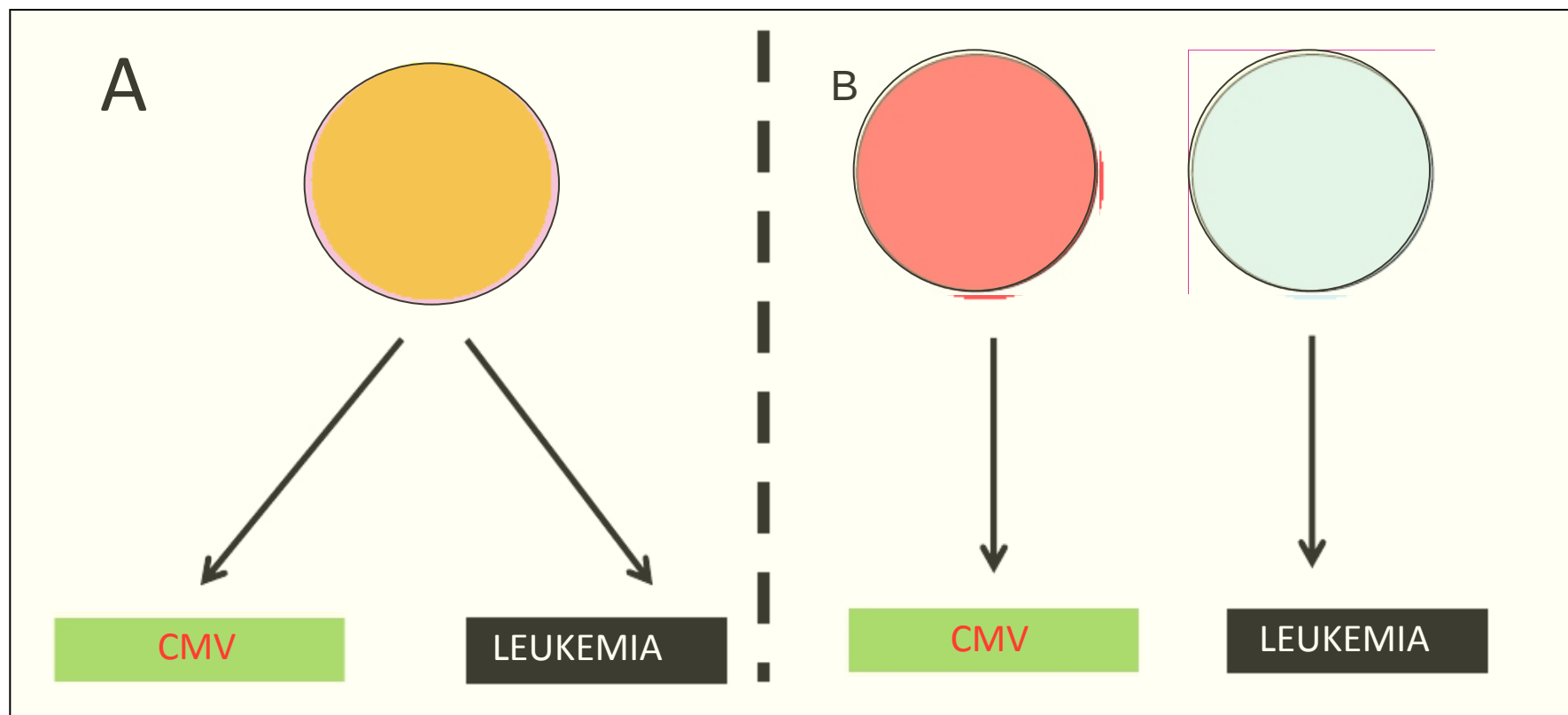
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## V $\delta$ 2neg $\gamma\delta$ T-cells expand during CMV- reactivation after allo-SCT

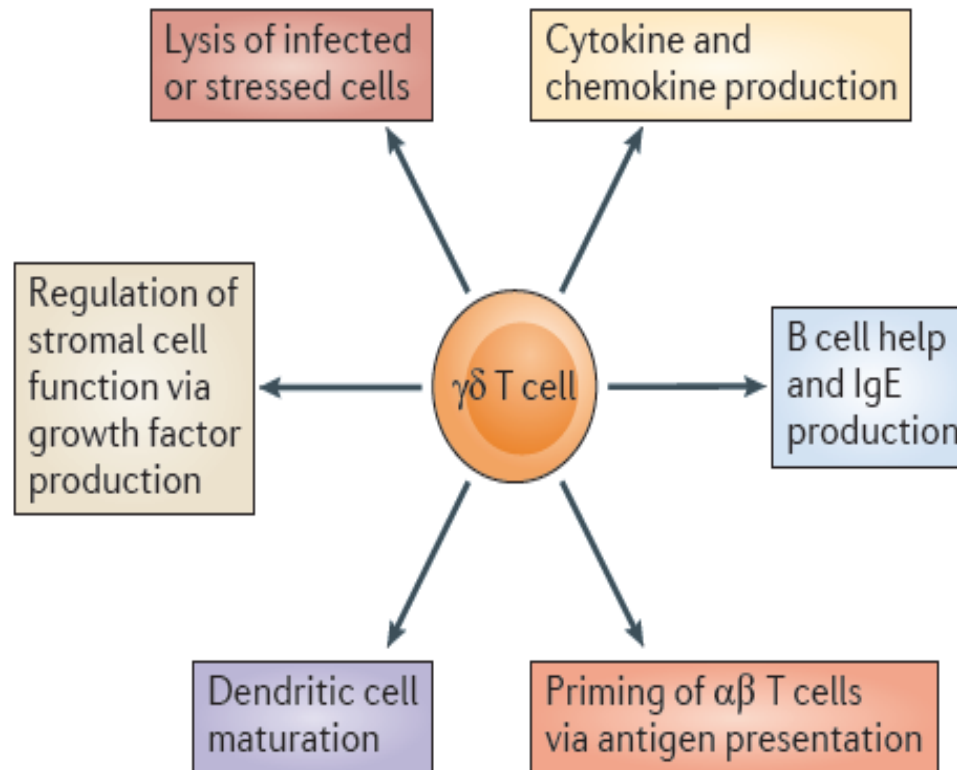


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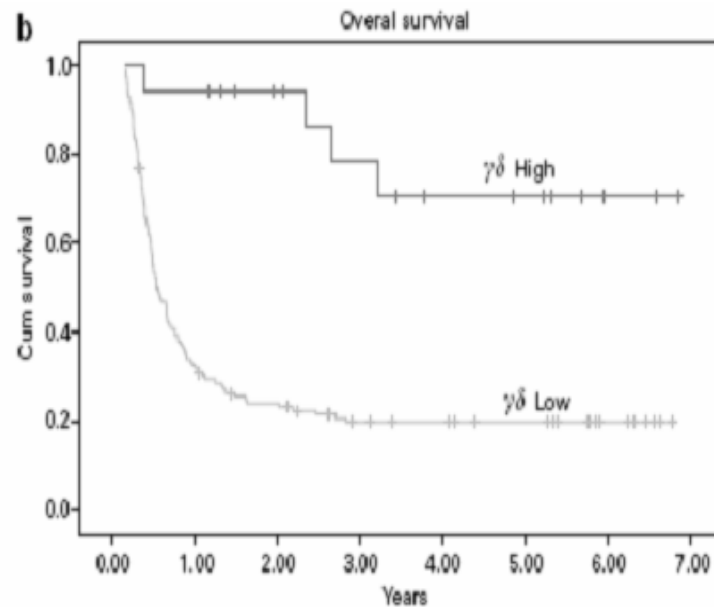
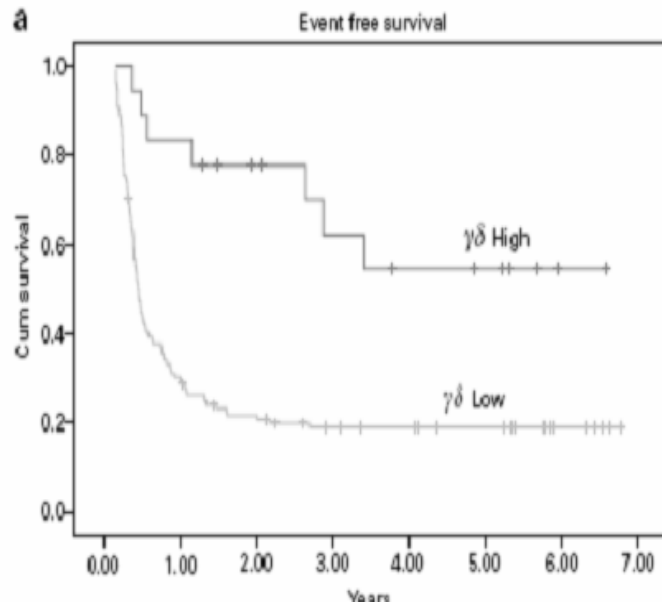
Are CMV- and leukemia-reactivity found within the same or distinct  $V\delta 2_{\text{neg}}$  T cell populations?



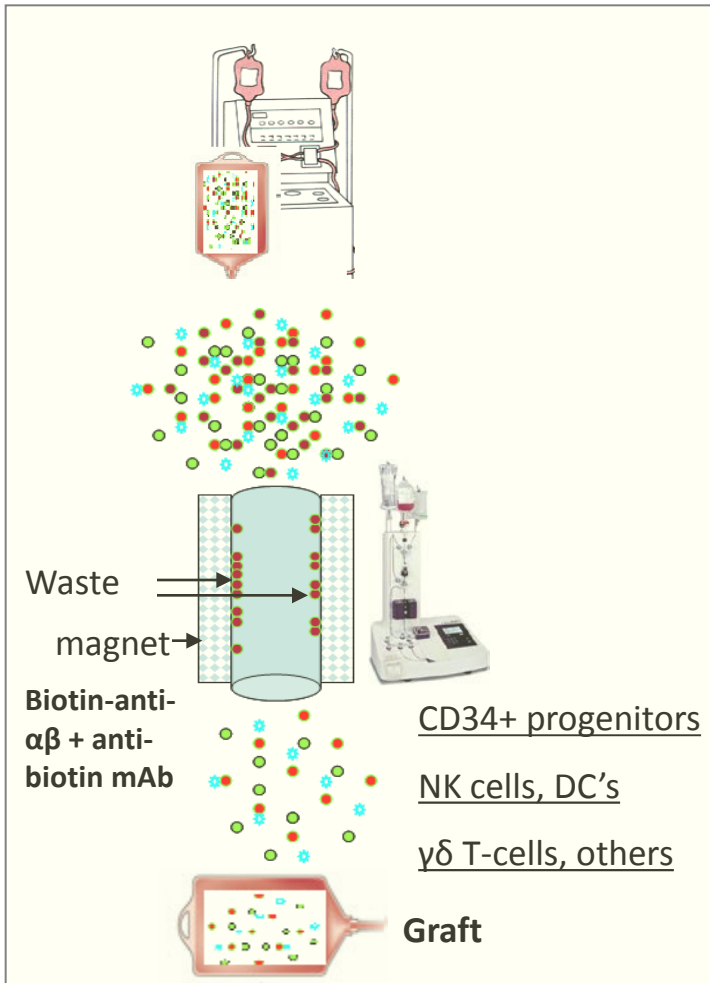
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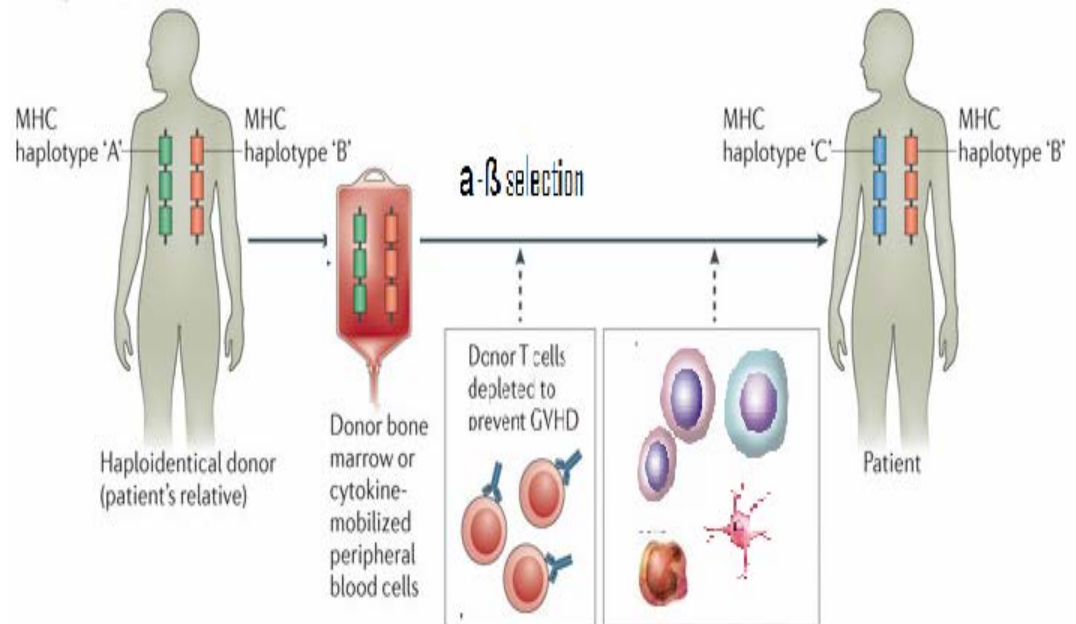
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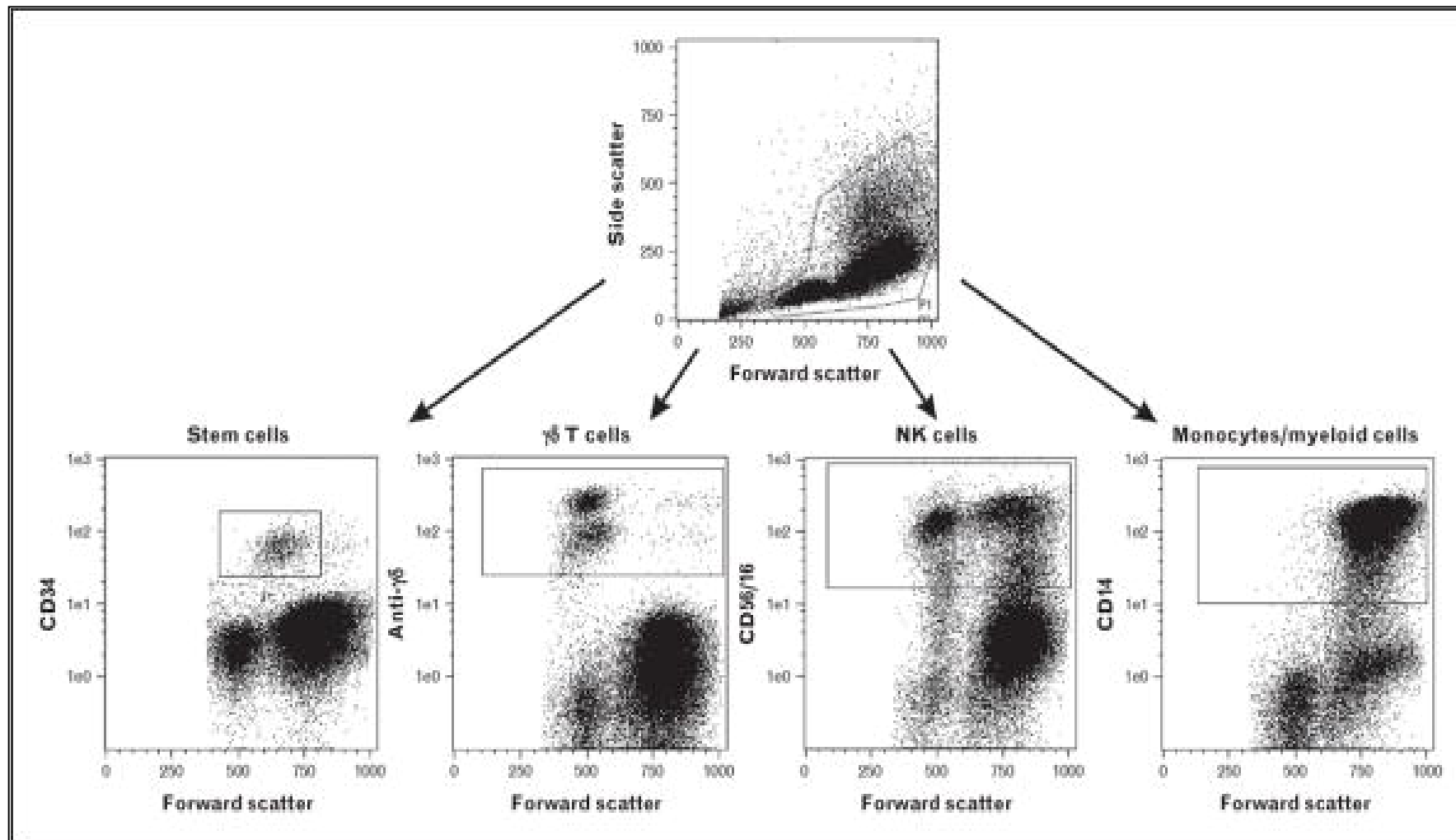
## New modality for Haploidentical Tx: $\alpha\beta^+$ T /19-negative depletion strategy of mobilized PBSC's



A large scale method for the selective  
Depletion of  $\alpha\beta^+$  T lymphocytes from PBSC  
for allogeneic Transplantation



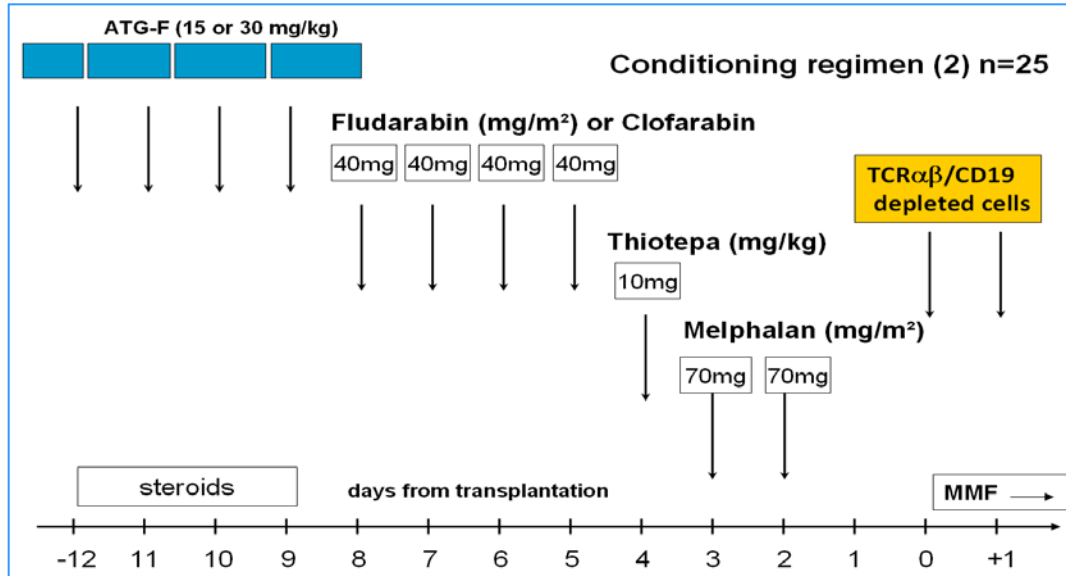
## Negative depletion of CD3+ and TcR[alpha][beta]+ T cells. Handgretinger, Rupert



Flow cytometric analysis of a TcR[alpha][beta]/CD19-depleted graft. A forward/side scatter analysis of mobilized peripheral stem cells and the cell composition after TcR[alpha][beta]/CD19 depletion is depicted. The depleted graft is composed of CD34+ stem cells, TcR[gamma][delta]+ T cells, CD56/16+ natural killer (NK) cells and CD14+ monocytes (own unpublished data).



# Tübingen Experience: TcR $\alpha\beta$ T-cell depletion



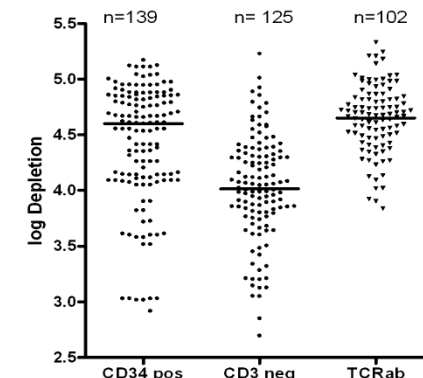
## Patients (children, n=35)

| Diagnosis                                | n=              |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| ALL                                      | 20              |
| AML/MDS/JMML                             | 9               |
| Nonmalignant                             | 4               |
| Solid tumors                             | 2               |
| Disease status                           | n=              |
| CR2-CR6                                  | 17 (55%)        |
| NR/active disease                        | 11 (45%)        |
| <b>2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> SCT</b> | <b>23 (65%)</b> |

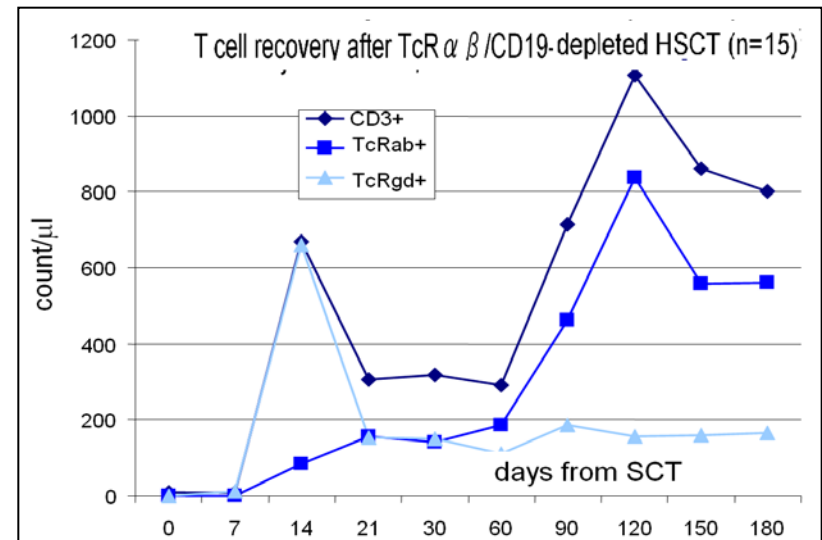
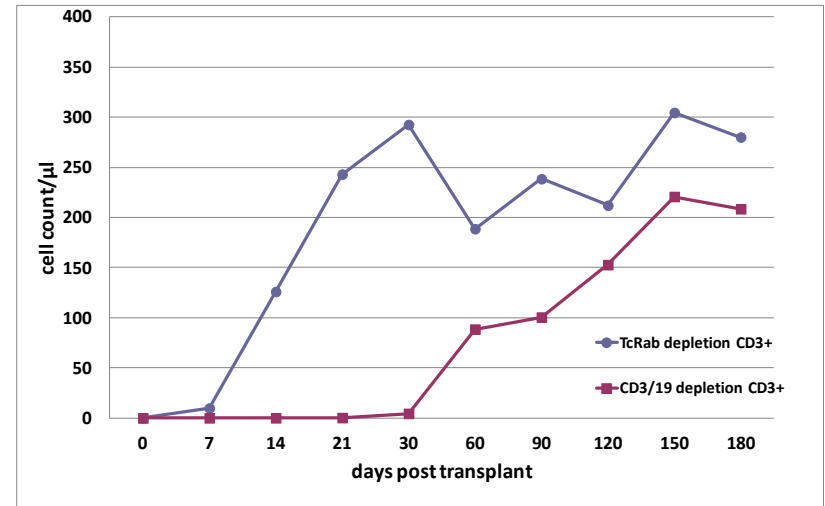
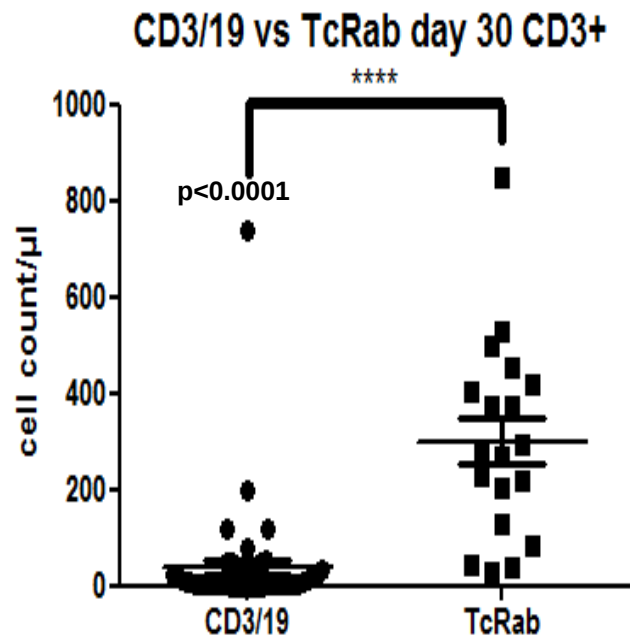
## Graft composition after TCR $\alpha\beta$ /CD19 depletion

|        | CD34+<br>x10 <sup>6</sup> /kg | CD3+<br>x10 <sup>6</sup> /kg | CD19+<br>x10 <sup>3</sup> /kg | CD56+<br>x10 <sup>6</sup> /kg | CD14+<br>x10 <sup>6</sup> /kg | $\alpha\beta$ TcR+<br>x10 <sup>3</sup> /kg | $\gamma\delta$ TcR+<br>x10 <sup>6</sup> /kg |
|--------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| min    | 5                             | 4.6                          | 46                            | 35                            | 351                           | 1.6                                        | 5                                           |
| max    | 38                            | 41.8                         | 528                           | 192.2                         | 811                           | 46.4                                       | 30                                          |
| median | 12                            | 13.6                         | 110                           | 107.4                         | 618                           | 18.9                                       | 11                                          |

## Efficacy of TcR $\alpha\beta$ T-cell depletion



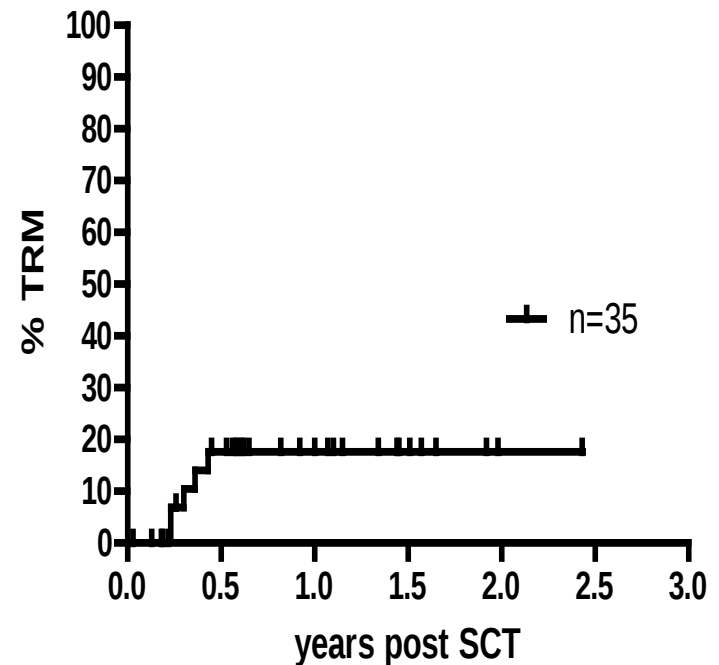
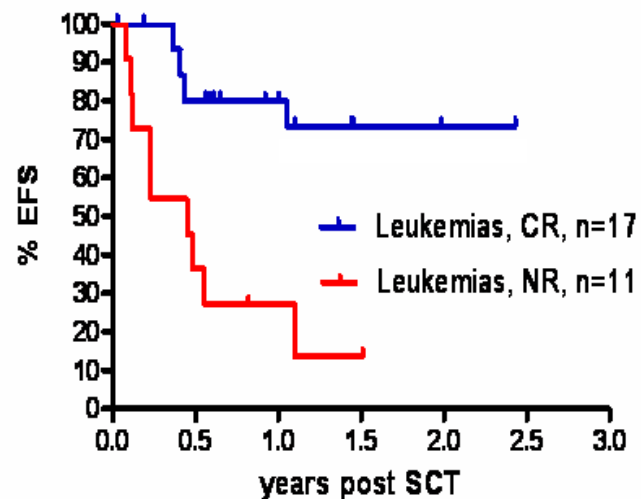
## Comparison of CD3+ recovery: CD3/19 vs TCR $\alpha\beta$ /CD19 depletion





# Tubingen Experience: TcR $\alpha\beta$ T-cell depletion

EFS: according to remission status & Transplant-related mortality



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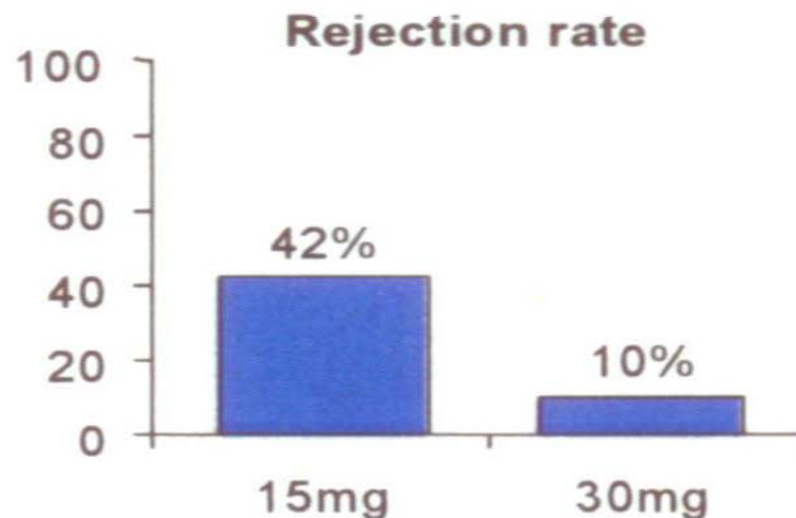
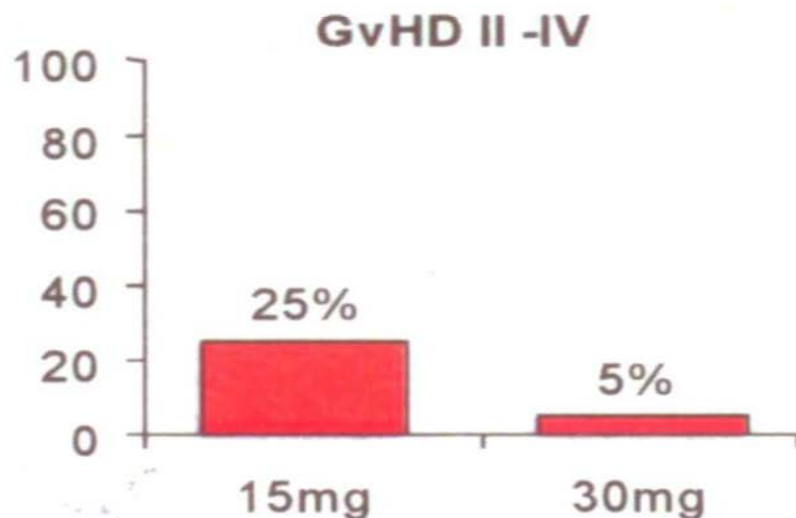
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|                                    | 15 mg/kg ATG F                   | 30 mg/kg ATG F |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Rejection</b>                   | 3/7 (42%)                        | 2/20 (10%)     |
| <b>Engraftment</b>                 | After reconditioning: 7/7 (100%) | 20/20 (100%)   |
| <b>ANC &gt;500/μl (median)</b>     | 9 days                           | 9 days         |
| <b>GvHD II-IV in non-rejectors</b> | 1/4 (25%)                        | 1/18 (5%)      |
| <b>Extended chronic GvHD</b>       | 1/4                              | 1/18           |





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- HLA haploidentical hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT) is largely employed in children with life-threatening non-malignant disorders.
- Recently developed novel method of *ex vivo* T-cell depletion based on the selective elimination of  $\alpha\beta^+$  T cells through labeling with a biotinylated anti-TCR  $\alpha\beta$  antibody, followed by incubation with an anti-biotin antibody conjugated to paramagnetic beads (CliniMACS®, Miltenyi Biotec, Germany) has been developed
- B cells have been removed through an anti-CD19 monoclonal antibody, to prevent post-transplant EBV-associated lymphoproliferative disease (PTLD)

"All patients were transplanted from 1 parent (10 from the mother and 3 from the father), the median number of CD34<sup>+</sup> cells,  $\alpha\beta$  CD3<sup>+</sup> cells and B cells infused being  $17.8 \times 10^6/\text{kg}$ ,  $0.64 \times 10^5/\text{kg}$  and  $5.3 \times 10^6/\text{kg}$ , respectively"



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### Patients:

- n=13 (n=7males)
- Median age at transplantation being 3 yr and 9 mo (range 0.3-28.7)
- Primary diseases:
  - 4 patients with severe combined immune deficiency (SCID)
  - 3 Fanconi anemia (FA)
  - 2 severe aplastic anemia (SAA)
  - 1 each immune deficiency with polyendocrinopathy, enteropathy, X-linked (IPEX), congenital amegakaryocytic thrombocytopenia (CAMT), hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis (HLH) and thalassemia with autoimmune hemolytic anemia

### Methods:

- “Conditioning regimen consisted of:
  - Treosulfan and fludarabine (FLU) in 7 children (4 SCID, 1 IPEX, 1 HLH and 1 CAMT)
  - FLU and cyclophosphamide in 5 (3 FA and 2 SAA) and busulphan, FLU and thiotepa in 1 child (thalassemia)
  - All patients were given anti-thymocyte globulin (ATG Fresenius; 3 mg/kg/day) on days -5 through -3 before allografting and, to prevent PTLT, rituximab (200 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) on day -1
  - No patient received pharmacological prophylaxis for graft-versus-host disease (GVHD) after the allograft”



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### Results:

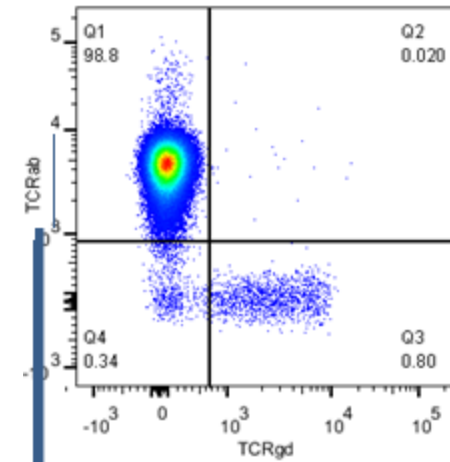
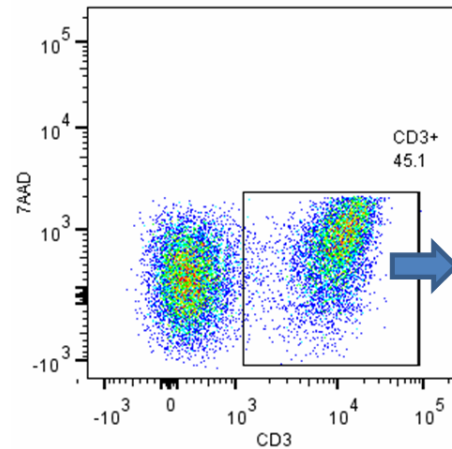
- Median time to recovery:
  - Neutrophil recovery being 13 days (range 8-19)
  - Platelet recovery :11 days (range 7-40)
- One SAA patient and one patient with thalassemia who had primary graft failure were successfully re-transplanted, the first one from the same parent and the second one from the other parent
- No patient experienced secondary graft failure
- Acute skin GVHD grade I/II occurred in 3 patients, limited skin chronic GVHD occurred in 1 of the 8 patients at risk
- No patient had visceral acute GVHD
- “The median chimerism is 100% (range 85-100). Noteworthy, all patients with primary immune disorders and FA are alive and disease-free. T-cell recovery was initially sustained by gd T cells, while, after 45 days from the allograft,  $\alpha\beta$  T cells predominated”

“With a median follow-up of 209 days (range 37-543), 11 out of the 13 (84%) patients are alive and disease-free, the Karnofsky/Lansky score being 100”

The transplantation-related mortality of 15% observed in this cohort is comparable to that observed using a HLA-matched UV

If confirmed in a larger cohort of patients and with a longer follow-up, these results suggest that this transplant option be offered to any child lacking a HLA-identical sibling”

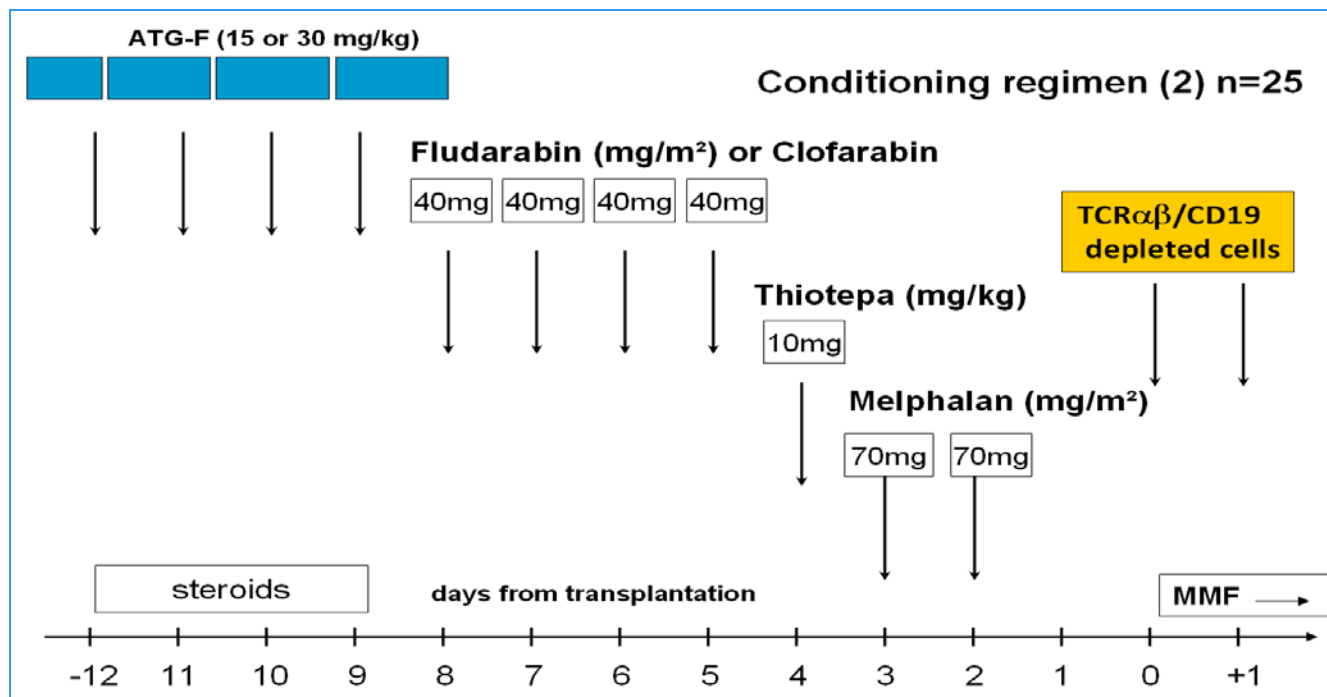
# Erciyes University Experience: TcR $\alpha\beta$ T-cell depletion



| Fraktion | Vol | Conc 10e6 | Total WBCs 10e9 | Viability | %TCRab |
|----------|-----|-----------|-----------------|-----------|--------|
| Original | 150 | 340       | 51              | 99        | 12,52  |
| Target   | 389 | 114       | 44,35           | 98        | 0,02   |



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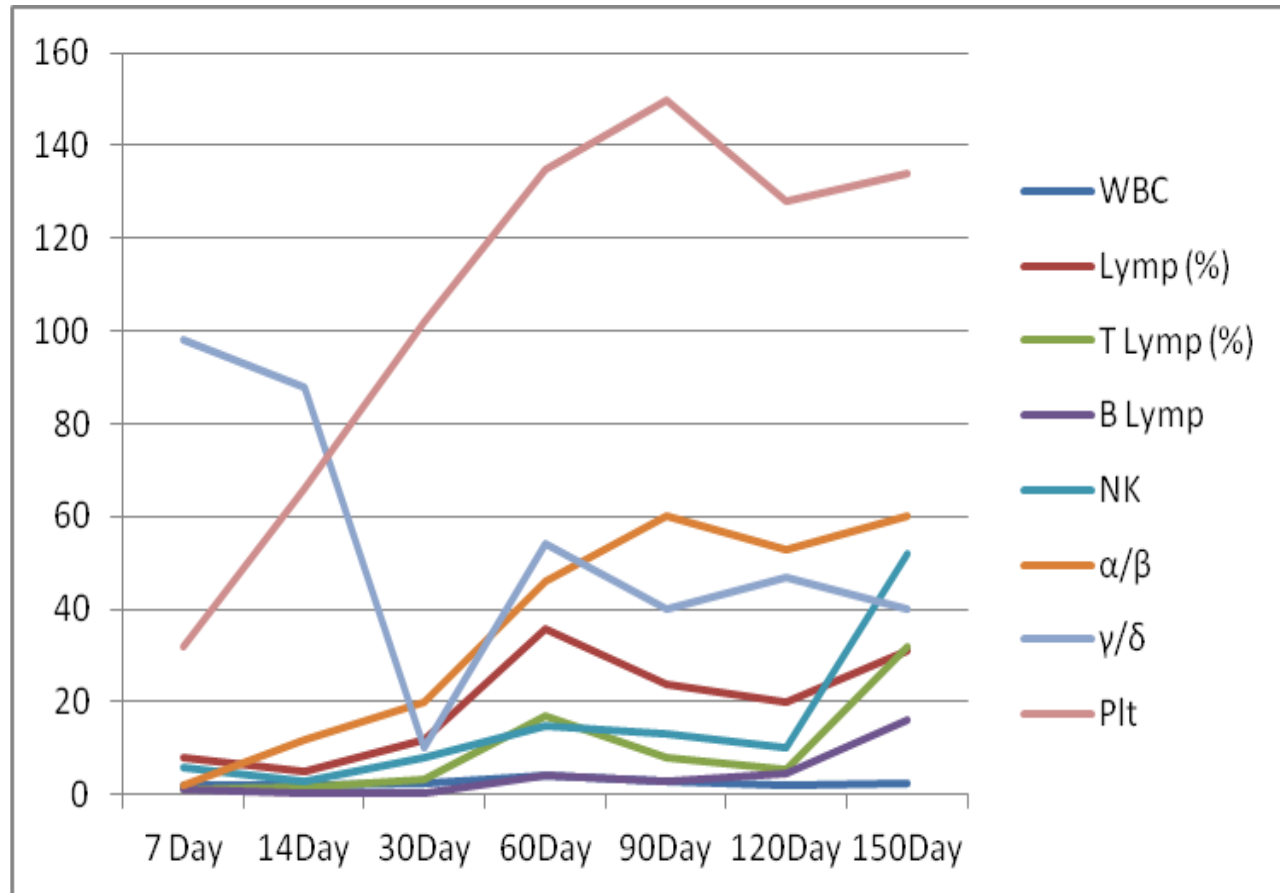


## Erciyes University Experience: TcRαβ T-cell depletion

| DURUM<br>TX ÖNCESİ | NÖTROFİL<br>ENG | TROMBOSİT<br>ENG | GVHD                                                                                    | KİMERİZM<br>SONUÇLARI | Tx<br>SONRASI | SON<br>DURUM              |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| REMİSYON CR2       | 12              | 13               | YOK                                                                                     | 99                    | CR            | SAĞ CR                    |
| REMİSYON CR1       | 11              | 12               | YOK                                                                                     | 96                    | CR            | SAĞ CR                    |
| REMİSYON CR3       | 40              |                  | YOK                                                                                     | 100                   | CR            | SAĞ CR                    |
| REMİSYON CR1       | 10              | 12               |                                                                                         | 100                   | CR            | SAĞ CR                    |
| %15 BLAST          | 11              | 12               | aGVHD                                                                                   | 100                   | CR            | EX                        |
|                    |                 |                  |                                                                                         |                       | CR            | NÜKS(EKSTRA<br>MEDÜLLER)  |
| REMİSYON CR3       | 12              | 12               | YOK                                                                                     | 100                   |               |                           |
| REMİSYON CR2       | 13              | 12               | YOK                                                                                     | 97                    | CR            | NÜKS                      |
| REMİSYON           | 14              | 12               | YOK                                                                                     | 97                    | CR            | SAĞ CR                    |
| REMİSYON CR1       | 28              | 35               | YOK                                                                                     | 0                     | CR            | NÜKS                      |
| CR1> BLAST         | 12              | 13               | YOK                                                                                     |                       | CR            | EX                        |
|                    |                 |                  |                                                                                         |                       | CR            | NÜKS (EKSTRA<br>MEDÜLLER) |
| BLAST              | 12              | 18               | YOK                                                                                     | 100                   |               |                           |
| REMİSYON CR2       | 14              | 20               | YOK                                                                                     |                       | CR            | SAĞ CR                    |
| REMİSYON CR3       | 10              | 14               | YOK                                                                                     | 99                    | CR            | SAĞ CR                    |
| REMİSYON+CR2       |                 |                  | YOK                                                                                     |                       | CR            | SAĞ CR                    |
| CR2> BLAST         | 12              | 12               | YOK  | 98,5                  | CR            | SAĞ CR                    |

| SAA         | 9  | 12 | YOK      | 0    | -  | SAĞ |
|-------------|----|----|----------|------|----|-----|
| SAA         | 10 | 13 | YOK      | 99,3 | CR | SAĞ |
| CR2         | 9  | 12 | YOK      | 99,8 | CR | SAĞ |
| CR1 + BLAST | 10 | 12 | GRADE II | 99,2 | CR | SAĞ |
| CR2         | 11 | 13 | YOK      | 0    | -  | SAĞ |

## Erciyes University Experience: TcR $\alpha\beta$ T-cell depletion



# New Modalities to Improve Outcome

**Manipulated:** “ $\alpha\beta$ T cells Depletion induced tolerance”

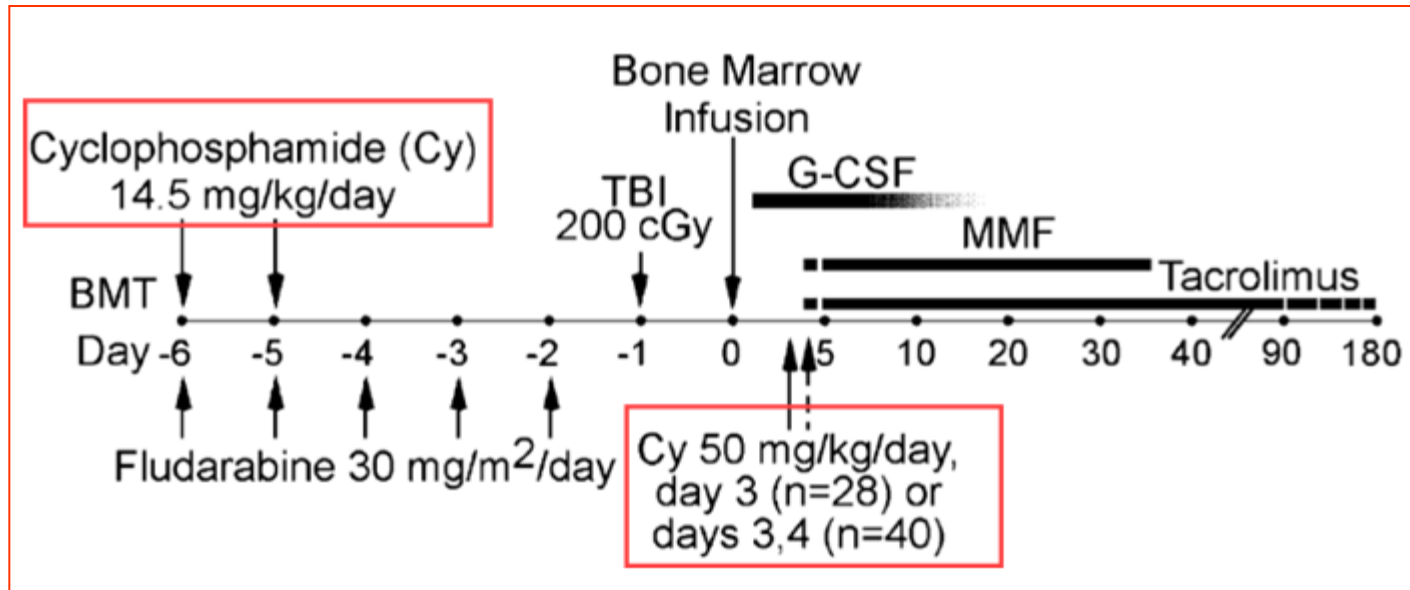
$\gamma\delta$ T cell+ NK cell+ DC's supported & Role of the  $\gamma\delta$ T cell

**Unmanuplated:** “drug induced tolerance”

Selective Allodepletion by Post Transplantation Cyclophosphamide

# Nonmyeloablative Haplo-SCT with High Dose Post-Transplantation Cy

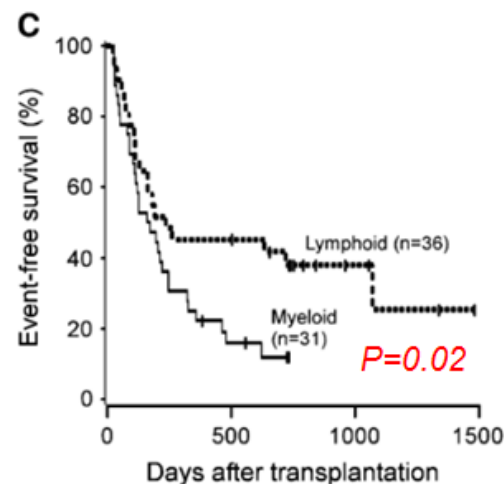
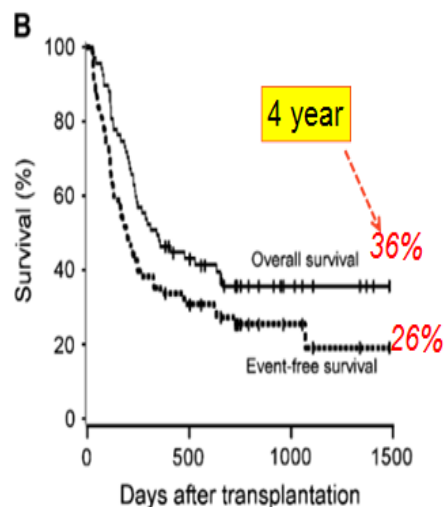
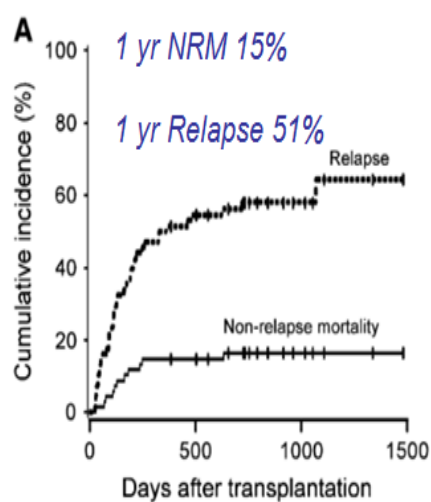
## The John Hopkins' / FHCRC Approach



*High-dose cyclophosphamide (Cy), when administered in a narrow window after transplantation, depletes alloreactive T-cells from the donor and host, and can inhibit both GVHD and graft rejection.. Takes advantage of the heightened cytotoxic sensitivity of proliferating, alloreactive T-cells over non-alloreactive, resting T-cells to being killed by a DNA damaging agent*

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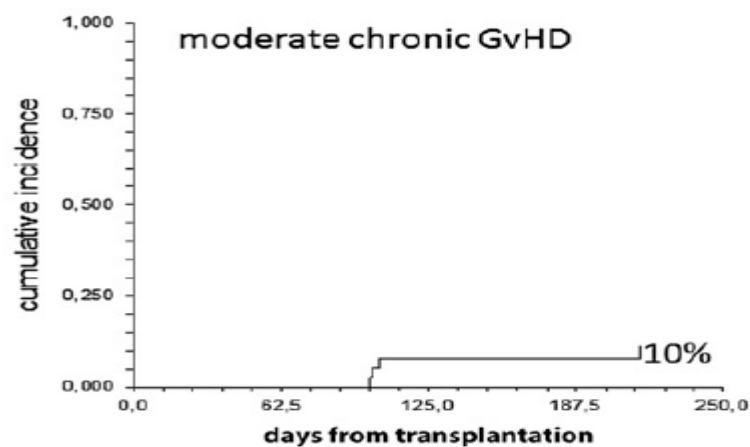
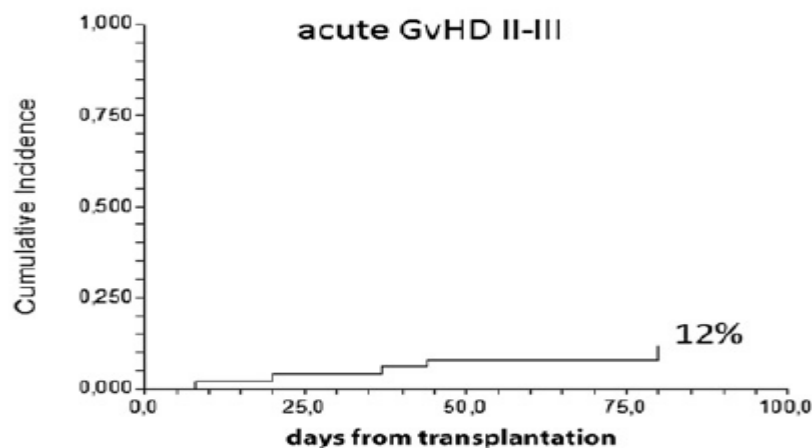
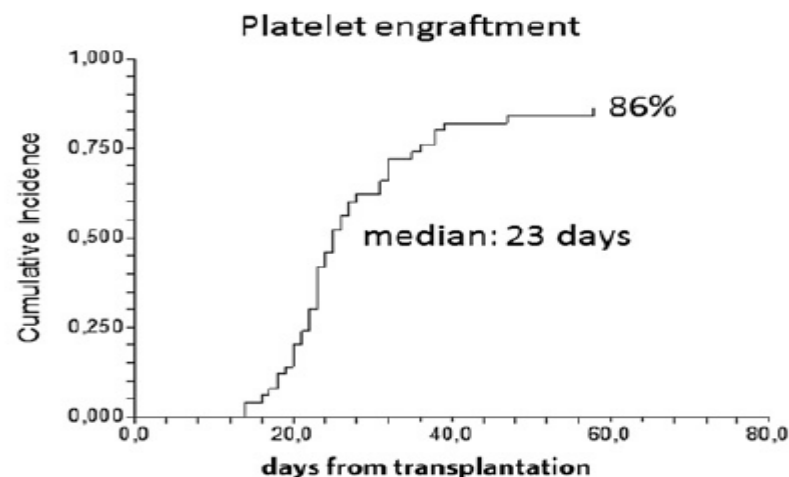
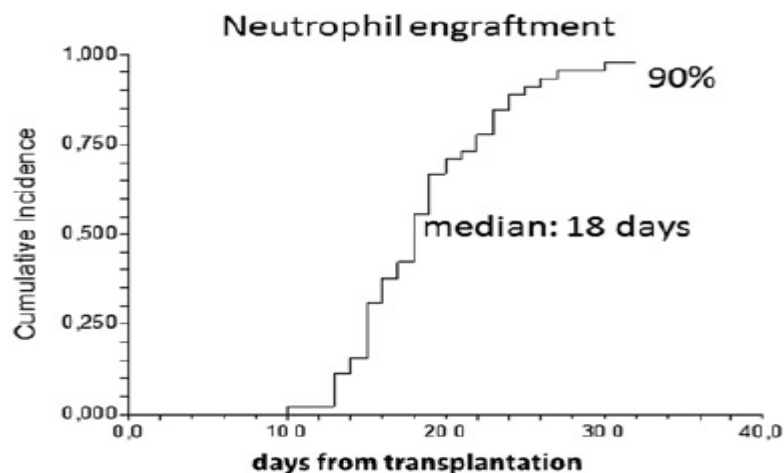
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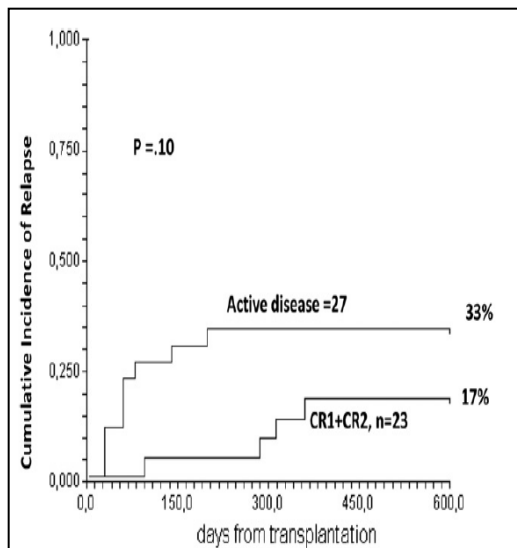
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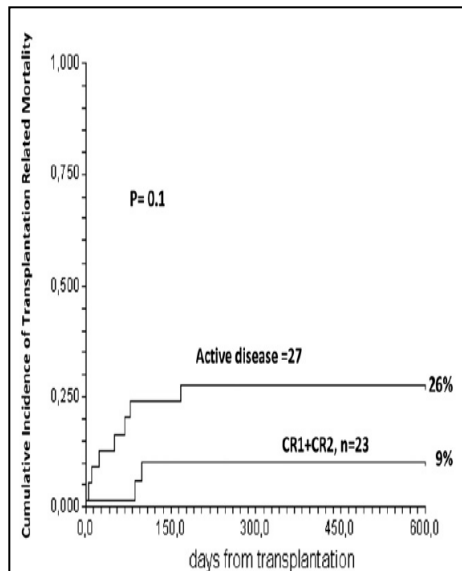
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**Figure 4.** Cumulative incidence (CI) of transplantation-related mortality (TRM) in patients stratified for disease phase. There is a trend for a lower TRM in complete response (CR)1 + CR2 patients (17%) as compared to patients with active disease (33%) ( $P = .10$ ).



**Figure 3.** Cumulative incidence (CI) of transplantation-related mortality (TRM) in patients stratified for disease phase. There is a trend for a lower TRM in complete response (CR)1 + CR2 patients (9%) as compared to patients with active disease (26%) ( $P = .10$ ).

**Table 3**

Clinical Outcome of Patients

|                                         |                    |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Follow-up of surviving patients in days | 303 (119-596)      |
| Engraftment                             |                    |
| Day of neutrophil $0.5 \times 10^9/L$   | 18 (13-30)         |
| Day of platelet $20 \times 10^9/L$      | 23 (14-58)         |
| aGVHD                                   |                    |
| Grade 0-I                               | 44 (88%)           |
| Grade II-III                            | 6 (12%)            |
| cGVHD                                   |                    |
| No                                      | 18 74%             |
| Minimal                                 | 6 16%              |
| Moderate                                | 4 10%              |
| Severe                                  | 0 0%               |
| Day +100 TRM                            | n = 8 (16%)        |
| Overall TRM                             | n = 9 (18%)        |
| Relapse                                 | n = 13 (26%)       |
| Relapse-related death                   | n = 7 (14%)        |
| Surviving                               | n = 34 (68%)       |
| Follow-up                               | 333 days (149-623) |

aGVHD indicates acute graft-versus-host disease; cGVHD, chronic graft-versus-host disease; TRM, transplantation-related mortality.

# Strategies to Improve Outcome of Haploidentical Transplant

- Selective T cell depletion
  - o CD4 or CD8 depletion
  - o Insertion of suicide genes into T cells
  - o Removal of alloreactive T cells
  - o Memory cell depletion
- Harnessing beneficial effect of NK/KIR ligand mismatched alloreactivity (GVL without GVHD)
- Prophylactic /Pre-emptive DLI/ NK Infusion
- Cotransplantation of Mesenchymal Stem Cells
- Addition of Regulatory T cells
- Adoptive Immunotherapy and Vaccination

# Conclusion (I)

1. Haploidentical SCT provides opportunity for patients to benefit from HSCT when 6/6 MSD is not available
2. Presents easier logistic and practical alternative to MUD transplant
3. Recent advances with effective TCD and RIC significantly low early TRM and GVHD, & enhance the therapeutic benefits of haploSCT

# Conclusion (II)

New directions in selective allodepletion, adoptive immunotherapy (Tregs, NK, MSCs), improvement in DLI may eliminate risk of severe GVHD, while preserving anti-tumor effect and promote rapid immune reconstitution.

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