# CIK-Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) platform Life Science Summit 2014

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#### "CAR" is a breakthrough technology

**Emma Whitehead: the first** 

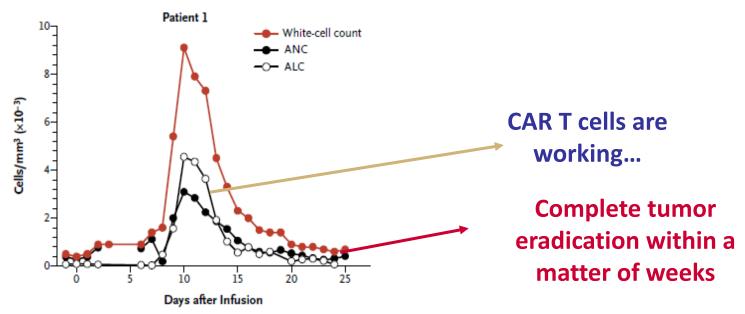
**B-ALL child cured with CAR-T** 

(ref: Dr. Carl June at UPenn)



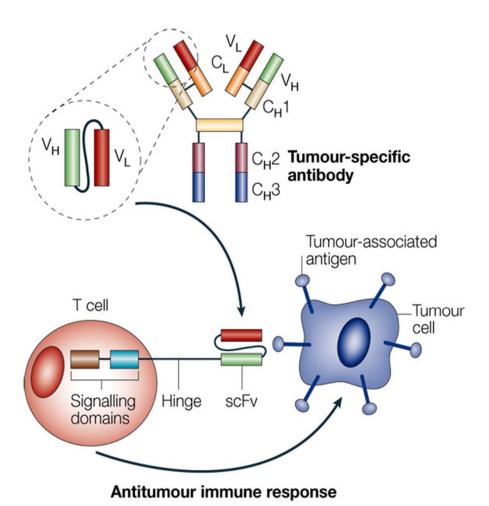


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#### "CAR": a genetically engineered adoptive cell therapy



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- T-cells from the patient or donor obtain binding properties of a mAb
- Targeting tumor antigen
- No MHC restriction for antigen recognition
- Strong intracellular signal leading to potent cytokine secretion
- Penetration of tumor infiltrated organs
- Immunological memory and persistence of the therapeutic effect



## Keen industry and investor interest in CAR-T

Biotech originator	Partner	Deals and raises	Latest stage R&D candidate
Juno Therapeutics	MSKCC, Fred Hutchinson, Seattle Children	<ul> <li>Series A round closed in</li> <li>12/2013</li> <li>&gt; \$300 M in capital raises</li> <li>within past 12 months</li> </ul>	Phase-1/2 pipeline
Kite Pharma		- IPO in 8/2014, raised \$130 M - Pre-IPO: \$85 M since 2011 - \$1.2 B market cap	Ph-1/2a & phase-2; two lead targets
Cellectis	Pfizer	- \$2.8 B deal 6/14, with \$80 M upfront, plus > \$185 M in milestone payments per target - Market cap: \$250 M	Pre-clinical pipeline
BlueBird Bio	Celgene, Baylor	<ul><li>Partnering deal in 3/2103</li><li>\$225 M per therapeutic target</li><li>Market cap: \$1.3 B</li></ul>	Pre-clinical stage pipeline
Novartis	UPenn, Carl June	<ul><li>R&amp;D support in 2012</li><li>\$20 M contribution</li><li>Major investment in CMC capabilities in 2014</li></ul>	Phase-2, FDA breakthrough status



#### First clinical results are stunning, yet...

- A large percentage of patients is not eligible or fails
  - e.g. not enough CAR cells can be generated from autologous source
  - 10 30% failure rate
  - Significant toxicity ("Cytokine Storm")
- Most development work focused on CD19 target
- Most development work focused on autologous setting
  - Graft versus Host Disease associated with T-cells used in allo-setting
- CAR-T approaches typically use viral transfection methods
  - Overhang of manufacturing and regulatory complexities

CAR technology is not yet optimized.

⇒ There is a strong case for different approaches



## Formula's approach is distinct





#### Formula's CAR technology is based on CIK cells

Today virtually all CARs are **T-cell** based

Formula's technology focuses on Cytokine Induced Killer (CIK) CAR cells

- CIK have both T-cell and NK (Natural Killer) -like properties
  - Different cell types, particularly NK cells may provide a broader effect
  - CIKs are not MHC restricted
  - Non-CAR CIK cells were successfully used in cancer therapy
- Potential for less GvHD
  - CIK cells were shown to have less GvHD compared to T-cells
  - Relevant in an allogeneic setting

New targets CD23 and CD 123 in addition to CD19



#### Formula's manufacturing process is proprietary

Formula's technology is based on NON-viral transfection, with stable expression

- May offer regulatory and manufacturing advantages
- Proprietary, simplified and potentially less expensive manufacturing process
- => Formula's distinct CAR technology could have a variety of clinical, regulatory, CMC, commercial advantages
- ✓ Pre-clinical POC established; planned start of ph-1 trial in 4Q2015
- ✓ GMP manufacturing capabilities established at academic institution
- Achieve human PoC for 2 targets within 2-3 years
- Near-term value inflection point opening partnering and exit opportunities



## **CAR-CIK** pipeline

#### Targeting minimal residual disease settings in areas of high unmet need

Indication	Sponsor	Discovery	Pre-clin. PoC	Pre-IND	Phase 1 2015
CD 19 - ALL post allo SCT – establish clinical PoC for platform	Academic / Formula				
CD 123 - AML	Academic / Formula				
CD 23 - B-cell malignancies	Academic / Formula				
Other targets	Formula				



#### **Funding plan**

#### Bridge financing

- \$500,000 +
- Potential interest already for initial \$150,000
- Structure => convertible note with 25 % discount over B-round valuation
- Capital raise targeted to start in early November; closing targeted for January

#### VC financing

- Minimum funding target: \$10 million
  - PoC study (per target): \$ 3.5 million
  - GMP manufacturing \$ 2 million
  - Pre-Clinical work: \$1.5 million
- Capital raise starting in November; closing targeted for March 2015
- Strategic partnering activities (incl. corporate VCs) in parallel



## Management

Name	Title	Past affiliations
Maurits Geerlings, MD, MBA	Chief Executive Officer	Infinity Pharma; Cephalon; Prism Pharma; Alexion Pharma; Actinium Pharma; MSKCC
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Mort Collins, PhD	Director	Battelle Ventures; Data Science Ventures; Cardinal Ventures; The Liposome Company; Alkermes; numerous Life science companies boards	
Advisors			
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Dave Williams	Formerly, Chairman & CEO of Sanofi Pasteur		
Tommy Thompson	Formerly, US Secretary of Health & Human Services		
Frederick ("Fred") Frank	Vice Chairman at Burrill & Company; Chairman at Burrill Securities		



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