

Lifecycle Management: Challenges and Lessons Learned from Kymriah[™] (CD19 CAR T)

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Agenda

Kymriah[™] (CD19 CAR T) Overview

Early Development and Transfer

Characterization and Process Development

Process Validation and Launch

Challenges / Lessons Learned

The Next Chapter of Kymriah[™]

Novartis CTL019 CAR-T Cell Therapy





Early Development and Transfer

Early Clinical Development Historical Timeline

Year	Learning	Reference
1997	CD3/CD28-bead costimulation for CD4+ T cells	Levine at al. JI 159:592
1998	Large scale production of CD3/CD28 costimulated CD4+ T cells	Levine et al. J Hematotherapy 7:437
2000	CD4 and CD8 respond differently to CD3/CD28 costimulation; double positives sign of immuno senencensce	Laux et al. Clin. Immunol. 96:187
2002	Adoptive transfer of CD3/CD28 costimulated CD4	Levine et al. Nat. Med. 8:47
2003	GMP Bioreactor-based process for autologous T cell therapy	Hami et al. BioProcess J 2: 23 (Xcyte Therapies)
2004	CML remission post CD3/CD28 costimulated autologous T cells	Rapoport et al. BM Transplantation 33:53.
2006	DLI with allo donor cells expanded with CD3/CD28 costimulation; CD14 depletion >20% monos	Porter et al. Blood 107:1325
2011	Autologous CAR+ T cells for anti-leukemic memory	Kalos et al. Sci Transl. Med 3:1
2011	CAR+ T cells in CLL	Porter et al. NEJM 265:725.
2012- 2014	Tech transfer from UPenn to Novartis	Novartis documents

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Key Considerations in Kymriah[™] **During Transfer**

- Transfer + Process Improvements
- Open systems to closed where feasible
 - Water bath to Plasmatherm
 - Open Product Transfers to Luer Connections
 - Open bead wash step to closed process
 - Replace Luer Connections wherever possible with tube welding
- Manual to automatic
 - Manual Ficoll to automated Sepax



Process Transfer



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Process Transfer (cont)



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Characterization and Process Development

Process Characterization Approach



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PC Implementation



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Process Validation and Launch

Initial Development Thru Qualification



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Initial Process Validation Approach



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Continued Development and Launch



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Current Process Validation Approach



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Challenges / Lessons Learned

Consistent CTL019 T-cell product from individual patient material



Continual Learnings on Cell Growth



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The Next Chapter of Kymriah[™]

Near Term Process Improvements

- Additional steps moved from luer to tube weld connections
- More pre-assembled components
- Earlier introduction of cells to the WBR
- More robust cell selection
- Move to automation, particularly around de-beading, harvest and formulation
- Switch to vector produced via more robust/scalable methods
- Additions of secondary sources for key raw materials

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Next Gen Manufacturing

• Automated, closed system, minimized footprint



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