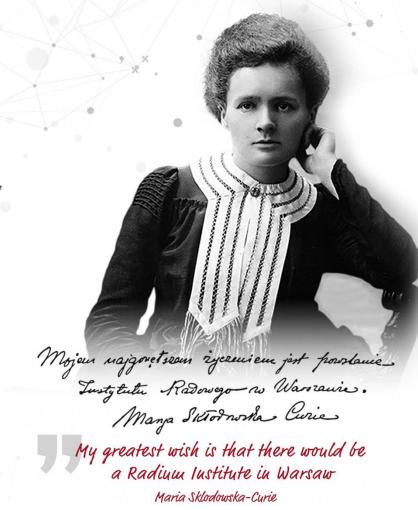


CAR-T cell therapy in hematology

Poland

Jan Walewski





"Independent Poland should have it's own Radium Institute"

🖟 Maria Sklodowska-Curie, Chicago 1921



Radium Institute, 1932



Maria Sklodowska-Curie National Research Institute of Oncology, 2020



Maria Sklodowska-Curie planting a tree during the opening ceremony of the Radium Institute, 1932



Maria Sklodowska Curie's tree, 2020



Headquarters 2020, Warsaw









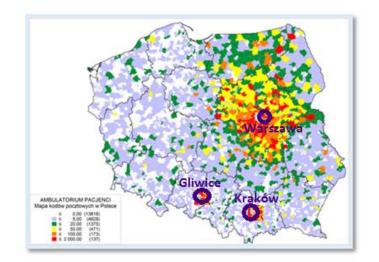
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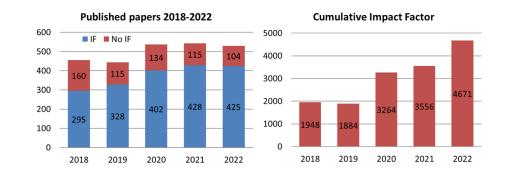
Maria Skłodowska-Curie National Research Institute of Oncology is a leading comprehensive cancer center in Poland



	Numbers per year
Outpatients consultations	680 000
Outpatient treatments	120 000
Inpatient admissions	130 000
Hospital beds	1 400
New patient referrals	50 000
Follow up patients	700 000
Clinical trials in oncology	> 500
Employees	> 5 000

Annual budget: EUR ~430 M

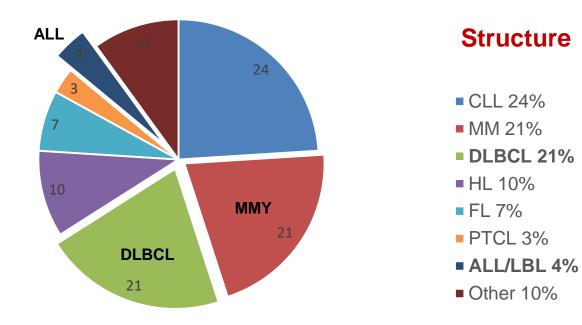






Neoplasms of lymphoid tissue, Poland 2020

n	6 860
% of all cancer	5







Department of Lymphoid Malignancies, MSCI Warszawa

⇒ CAR-T cell program under certification process

Main patient pathways

Integrated therapy

800 - 1 000 new patients/yr

Hemato-Oncology Inte	nsive Care Unit (24 beds)			Hemato-Oncology Ward (25 beds)
30 patients/m	HCT Unit (8 single HEPA-filtered rooms)	One-day a	dmissions (7 beds)	50 patients/m
0	7-8 patients/m	400) patients/m	
	Apheresis Room (3 units)			









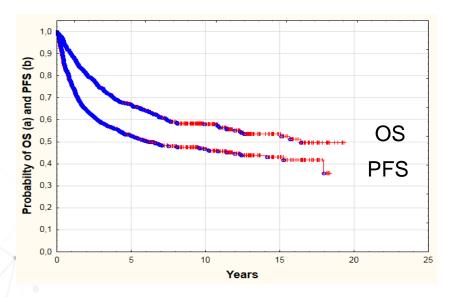


Intensive immuno- chemotherapy	Hematopietic cell transplantation	Regular immuno- chemotherapy	Radiotherapy	Salvage therapy and complications
20%	15% (80 pts/yr)	20%	15%	30%
– Burkitt	– Hodgkin	- DLBCL	– Hodgkin	- CNS
- Mediastinal	- Myeloma	– Hodgkin	- DLBCL	– Hodgkin
 Lymphoblastic 	- DLBCL	Myeloma	Myeloma	Medistinal
- CNS	Mantle cell	Indolent	Indolent	Myeloma

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Patient survival after auto-HCT for recurrent disease



Survival from the date of transplant

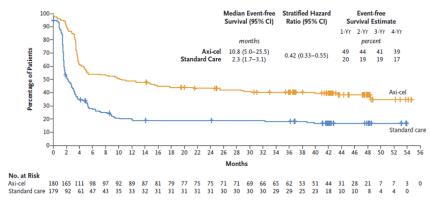
OS (95% CI)		PFS (95% CI)
5-yr	67% (64%, 70%)	62% (59%, 67%)
10-yr	58% (54%, 62%)	45% (41%, 49%)

Median follow-up: 47 months (1-232)

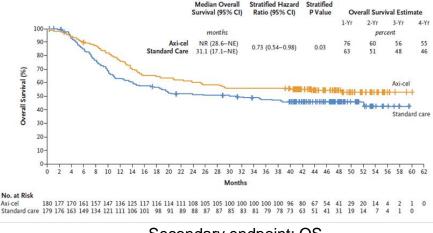
Median time to progression: 29 months (1-222)



Survival with axi-cel in large B-cell lymphoma







Secondary endpoint: OS

At a median follow-up of 47.2 months, axi-cel as **second-line** treatment for patients with early relapsed or refractory large B-cell lymphoma resulted in significantly longer overall survival than standard care: **OS 55% vs. 46%, EFS 39% vs. 17%.**

FDA, EMA - approved CAR T-cell Therapies (May 2022)

	Commercial CAR T-cell therapy	Target	Indication	Date of EMA marketing authorization	Date of FDA marketing authorization
Keimbursed in Poland	tisagenlecleucel/Kymriah®	CD19	Paediatric 3L+ ALL	September 2018 (EMA, 2021b)	August 2017 (FDA, 2021c)
ဌ			3L+ DLBCL	September 2018 (EMA, 2021b)	May 2018 (FDA, 2021c)
=			3L+ HGBL	=	May 2018 (FDA, 2021c)
Sec			3L+ DLBCL from FL	_	May 2018 (FDA, 2021c)
ב ה			3L+ FL	March 2022/positive CHMP opinion received (EMA, 2022c)	_
	axicabtagene ciloleucel/Yescarta®	CD19	3L+ DLBCL	September 2018 (EMA, 2021d)	October 2017 (FDA, 2022c)
2			2L+ DLBCL	-	April 2022 (FDA, 2022b)
			3L+ PMBCL	September 2018 (EMA, 2021d)	October 2017 (FDA, 2022c)
			3L+ HGBL		October 2017 (FDA, 2022c)
			3L+ DLBCL from FL	_	October 2017 (FDA, 2022c)
			4L+ FL (EMA) 3L+ FL (FDA)	April 2022/positive CHMP opinion received (EMA, 2022d)	April 2021 (FDA, 2022c)
	brexucabtagene autoleucel/Tecartus®	CD19	3L+ MCL (EMA) 2L+ MCL (FDA)	December 2020 (EMA, 2021c)	July 2020 (FDA, 2021d)
			Adult 2L+ ALL	_	October 2021 (FDA, 2021d)
	isocabtagene maraleucel/Breyanzi®	CD19	3L+ DLBCL	April 2022 (EMA, 2022a)	February 2021 (FDA, 2021b)
			3L+ PMBCL	April 2022 (EMA, 2022a)	February 2021 (FDA, 2021b)
			3L+ HGBL	_	February 2021 (FDA, 2021b)
			3L+ DLBCL from FL	_	February 2021 (FDA, 2021b)
			3L+ FL (grade 3B)	April 2022 (EMA, 2022a)	February 2021 (FDA, 2021b)
	idecabtagene vicleucel/Abecma®	BCMA	4L+ MM (EMA) 5L+ MM (FDA)	August 2021 (EMA, 2021a)	March 2021 (FDA, 2021a)
	ciltacabtagene autoleucel/Carvykti®	BCMA	4L+ MM (EMA) 5L+ MM (FDA)	March 2022/positive CHMP opinion received (EMA, 2022b)	February 2022 (FDA, 2022a)



Therapeutic program B.65:

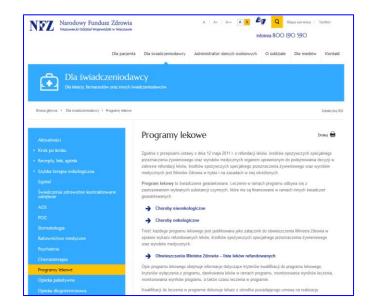
VII: Tisagenlecleucel Since November 2021:

- Central accrual [Expert Committee named by the NFZ]
- rrB-ALL
- <25 y/o
- PS≥ 50%
- Life expectancy ≥3 m
- At least one of the following:
 - 1. ≥2nd BM relapse
 - 2. BM relapse ≥4 m after allo-HSCT
 - 3. Primary refractory ALL: no CR after 2 induction cycles or 1 reinduction cycle
 - 4. Ph+ALL failed ≥2 TKI lines or ineligible for TKI
 - Ineligible or no donor for allo-HSCT

Therapeutic program B.65:

VII.: Therapy of patients with ALL - Tisagenlecleucel

Period	NOV 2021 – APR 2023
No.	15
M/F	10/5
Alive	11/15
Death (M/F)	2/2





Therapeutic program B.93/B.12:

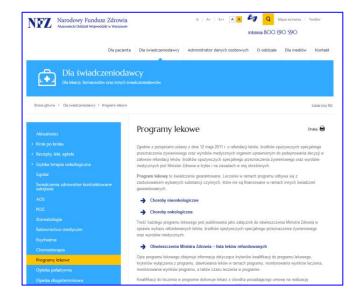
III.B.: Therapy of patients with large B-cel lymphoma – CAR-T Since May 2022:

- Central accrual [Expert Committee named by the NFZ]
- Axi-cel
 - DLBCL
 - HGBL
 - tFL
 - PMBL
- Tisa-cel
 - DLBCL
 - HGBL
 - tFL
- ≥18 y/o
- ECOG PS 0-1
- Life expectancy ≥3 m
- Prior 2 or more lines of tx
- Resistance to the last tx or PD <12 m after ASCT</p>

Therapeutic program B.93/B.12:

III.B.: Therapy of patients with large B-cel lymphoma – CAR-T

Period	MAY 2022 - APR 2023		
	Axi-cel	Tisa-cel	
No.	16	29	
M/F		23/6	
Alive	12/16	20/29	





Department of Bone Marrow Transplantation and Onco-Hematology



In-patient units:

- HSCT-A (11 beds)
- HSCT-B (20 beds)
- Hematology (28 beds)

Total no. beds: 59, including 31 HEPA-filtered with laminar flow

Apheresis unit

 6 cell separators (Spectra Optia)

Out-patient unit

Stem Cell Bank

Stem cell laboratory

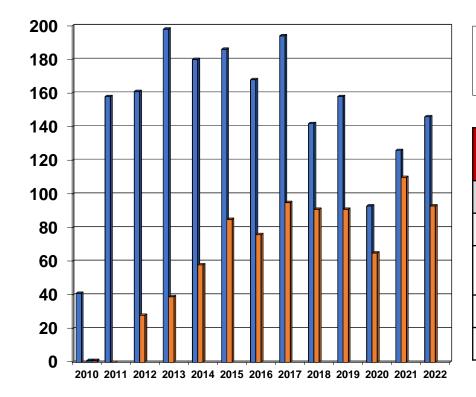
- Flow cytometry
- Molecular biology
- Cytogenetics
- Cell culture
- Graft engineering

Gliwice Staff

Head: prof. Sebastian Giebel

- Deputy Director for Clinical Matters – COI Gliwice
- President of the Polish Adult Leukemia Group
- V-ce President of the Polish Lymphoma Research Group
- Leader of ALL subcommittee of the Acute Leukemia Working Party of the EBMT
- 20 physicians, including 15 specialists of hematology/transplantation medicine
- 1 clinical psychologist
- 48 nurses
- 10 biologists/chemists
- 23 other staff members

Hematopoietic stem cell transplantation MSCI Gliwice



■Auto ■Allo

HSCT (2010-2022)	N
Auto	1 950
Allo	800
matched sibling	247
unrelated	460
haplo	93



CAR T-cells at MSCI Gliwice

Year	Axi-cel (DLBCL)	Tisa-cel (DLBCL+ALL)	Cilta-cel (MM)	Total
2020	3	1	-	4
2021	1	2	-	3
2022	2	6	1	9
2023	3	2	1	6
Total	9	11	2	22

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Access to CAR-T therapy in Poland



Commercial CAR-T cerified centers in Poland



CAR-T in Poland

- First patient treated: October 2019
- Kymriah reimbursed for ALL: September 2021
- Kymriah/Yescarta reimbursed for NHL (restricted to patients resistant to last line of systemic therapy or relapsed within 12 months after autoHCT): May 2022
- Janssen products used within CARTITUDE-4 and CARTITUDE-5 for MM: 2021-now

	NHL (Kymriah)	NHL (Yescarta)	ALL (Kymriah)	MM (Janssen)	TOTAL
Wroclaw (Children)	-	-	22	-	22
Poznan	7	16	2	4	29
Gliwice	9	9	1	1	20
Warsaw (IHiT)	6	-	-	7	13
Warsaw (WUM)	4	-	-	-	4
Gdansk	2	-	-	4	6
Katowice	4	-	-	-	4
TOTAL	32	25	25	16	98



Research





Project: Polish Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-cell Network (CAR-NET)

financed by the Medical Research Agency, Poland, from state budget funds

Target: aggressive B-cell lymphomas (B-NHL) and B-cell precursor acute lymphoblastic leukemia (BCP-ALL)

Budget: 100 MLN PLN/ 18 MLN EUR

Date: 01/01/2021 – 12/31/2026



The GOALS of the Project:

- Optimization of therapy based on research and production in Poland (National Research Institute of Oncology, Warsaw)
- 2. Developing CAR T-cells for new indications,
- Improving availability by reducing costs of the product and by creating a network of competent centers,
- Creating modern scientific and clinical background for the development of CAR-T cell therapy.

Tasks

- Implementing production of CAR T-cells in Poland
- 2. Conducting 3 non-commercial clinical trials in hematological malignancies
- Initiating pe-clinical studies in solid tumors and autoimmune diseases
- 4. Trainings, network of clinical centers
- 5. Translational studies
- Core facility for studies on CAR Tcells





Leader	Warsaw Medical University					
Production, clinical	2. Warsaw, Gliwice (National Institute of Oncology)					
trials, research,	3. Kielce (Cancer Center)					
Clinical trials,	4. Warsaw (Institute of Hematology and Transfusion					
research	Medicine)					
	5. Warsaw (University Hospital)					
	6. Poznań (University Hospital)					
	7. Bydgoszcz (University Hospital)					
	8. Łódź (University Hospital)					
	9. Szczecin (University Hospital)					
Research	10. Poznań (Medical University)					
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CAR-NET (Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-cell Network)









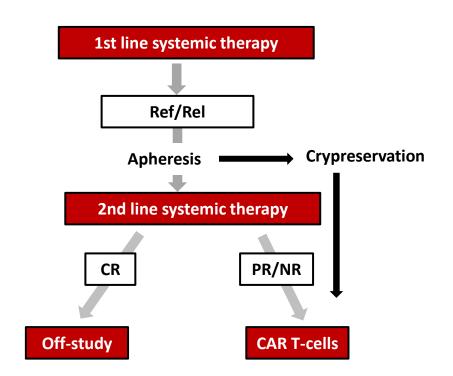
CAR-NET: clinical trials "Pre-emptive" T-cell collection



Rationale:

- 9%-33% patients in clinical trials fail to receive CAR T-cell treatment due to: collection/production issues, deterioration of patient clinical condition or death
- Resistance/relapse after CAR T-cell therapy may be caused by inadequate effector cell function

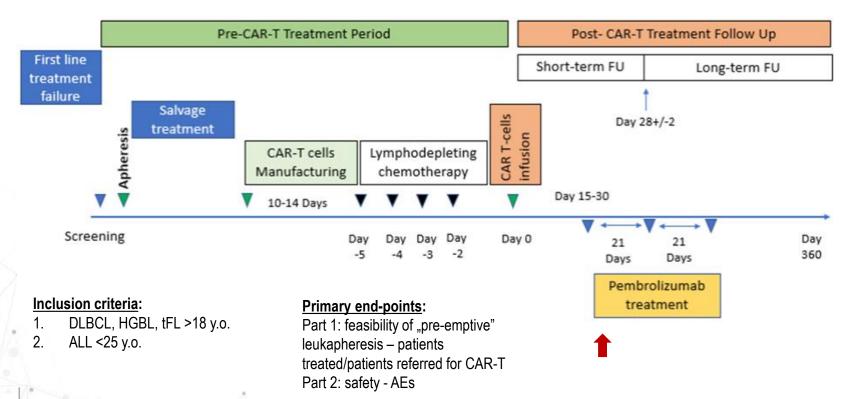
Early T-cell collection and cryopreservation may prevent these issues



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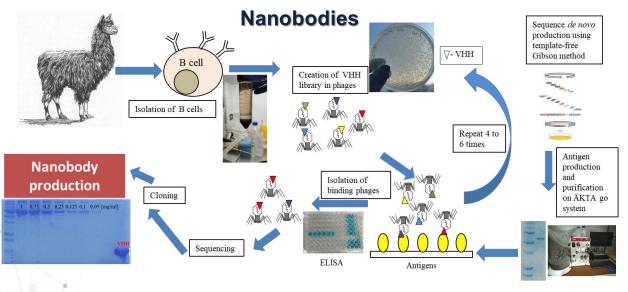
CAR-NET-1: Study design



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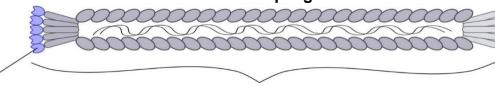


CAR-NET-2 ("nano" CD19 CARs)



- 20 different anti-CD19 nanobodies from alpaca identified
- The strongest nanobodies in ELISA test were cloned into CAR backbone
- Functional, cytotoxic tests on DLBCL cell line in progress



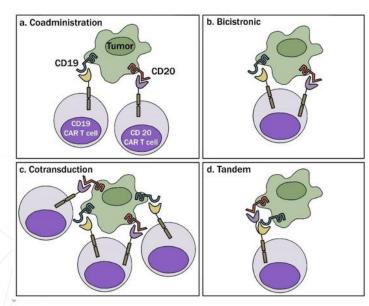


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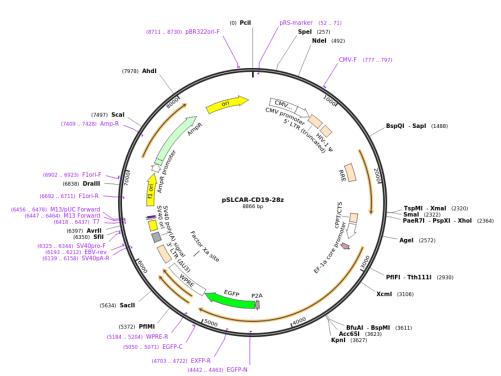


CAR-NET-3 (bicistronic switch-off/on anti CD19/22 CARs)

Created with SnapGene



Cronk RJ et al, Cancers 2020





CAR-NET: Clinical trials

Trial	Aim	Phase	Production	Indication	N	Period
CAR- NET-1	Feasibility, safety, and efficacy of anti-CD19 CAR T-cells with "pre-emptive" T-cell collection	II	Commercial	DLBCL, ALL	40/60	2023-2024
CAR- NET-2	Safety and efficacy of genuine anti-CD19 "nano" CAR T-cells" with "pre-emptive" T-cell collection	1/11	CAR-NET	DLBCL	110 /160	2024-2025
CAR- NET-3	Safety and efficacy of genuine bicistronic "switch-on/switch-off" anti- CD19/CD22 CAR T-cells	I	CAR-NET	ALL	30	2024-2025

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Translational agenda

- CAR T-cell in vivo expansion and persistance
- 2. CAR T-cell immunophenotyping and epigenetics
- 3. Cytokine in vivo production
- Macrophages and myeloid derived suppressor cells in tumor microenvironment

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