# Overview of The Ottawa Hospital Transplantation and Cellular Therapy Programme

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#### Overview

- Background & History
- Oversight
- Structure
- Activities
- Special Programmes
  - CAR T Cells
  - Autoimmune Diseases
- Questions

#### WHY WE ARE HERE



## What is a transplant? What are CAR T Cells?

#### Transplants

- Collection and reinfusion of cells that can regrow the bone marrow and immune system
- Auto: uses the patients own cells to support very high dose radio/chemotherapy
  - Less complicated
- Allo: providing a new immune system to recognize and kill the bad cells
  - The pre-transplant conditioning therapy may also provide some antitumor benefit
  - More complicated

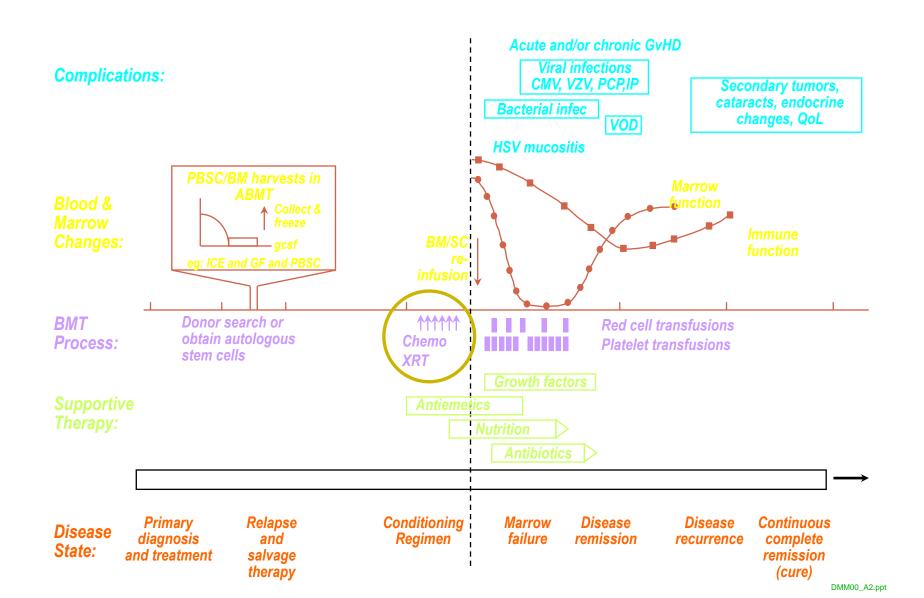
#### CAR T Cells

- A "new" targeted therapy
- Uses patients own immune system cells (T cells)
- They are collected and genetically modified to recognize a marker on the patients lymphoma/leukemia
- They are expanded and reinfused into the patient
- Often called a "living drug"

# When are transplants used?

- Not as a "Hail Mary"
- When the benefit to the patient (disease control/cure) out weighs the risks of the therapy
- Standard as part of first treatment strategy for many patients (AML, ALL, other bone marrow disorders, MM)
- Often as second or subsequent line of therapy when less intensive approaches have not worked (NHL, HD, germ cell tumors, some leukemia pts, some patients with autoimmune diseases etc.)

#### Very High Level Overview of a "Transplant"



#### TOH TCT PROGRAMME: HISTORY

- BMT program established in 1981
- 1st URD Transplant: 1988
- 1st Autologous Transplant: 1990
- Outpatient BMT program established in 1994
- 1<sup>st</sup> Haploidentical Transplant: 1995
- 1st FACT Accreditation: July 2000
- 1st Transplant for Multiple Sclerosis 2001
- 1st CAR-T Cell Patient: 2019





#### **STRUCTURE**



LBH started the programme Established the culture



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#### **ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP**



**Cameron Love** 

President



Suzanne Madore

**EVP & Chief Clinical Officer** 



**Dennis Garvin** 

Executive Director, Clinical Operations



Julie Renaud

Director, Regional Cancer Care



Tania Baird

Clinical Manager, TCT Inpatient & Day Hospital Units



Carey Landry TCT Coordination Unit Program Manager, Outpatient Clinic (Module L)



Karen Lawrence

Clinical Manager, 6E Hematology Inpatient Unit & MDCU



McDiarmid, Sheryl

APN, CVAD, Therapeutic Apheresis and Hemoglobinopathy Programs, and Stem Cell Transplant Program

Manager, Collection Facility TCT Advanced Practice RN



Holmes, Laurie Ann

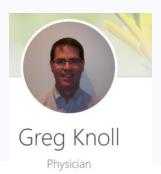
Nurse Educator



**Amber Killam** 

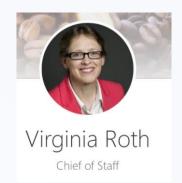
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#### MEDICAL LEADERSHIP



Chair & Head, Department of Medicine







Marc Carrier

Physician

Chief, Hematology



Chris Bredeson

Head, Malignant Hematology & TCT Medical Director, Transplant & Cellular Therapy Programme

#### **Transplant Physicians**

Dr. D. Allan\*\*

Dr. H. Atkins

Dr. I. Bence-Bruckler\*

Dr. C Bredeson

Dr. J. Fulcher\*

Dr. L. B. Huebsch

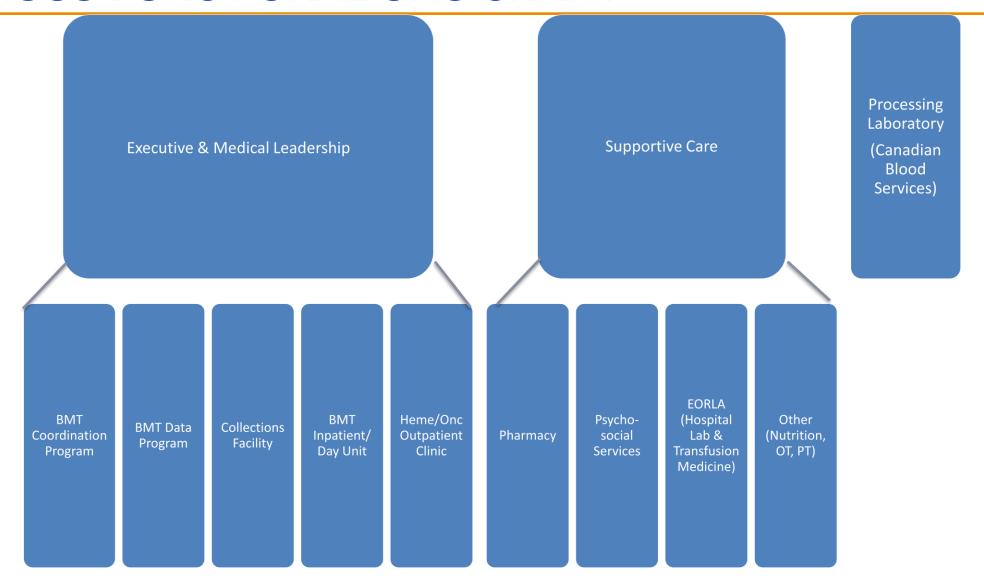
Dr. N. Kekre

Dr. M. Kennah

Dr. M. Sabloff\*

\*Ward service/on-call rotations only
\*\*Processing Lab Medical Director

#### **CROSS-FUNCTIONAL ORG CHART**



#### **OVERSIGHT**



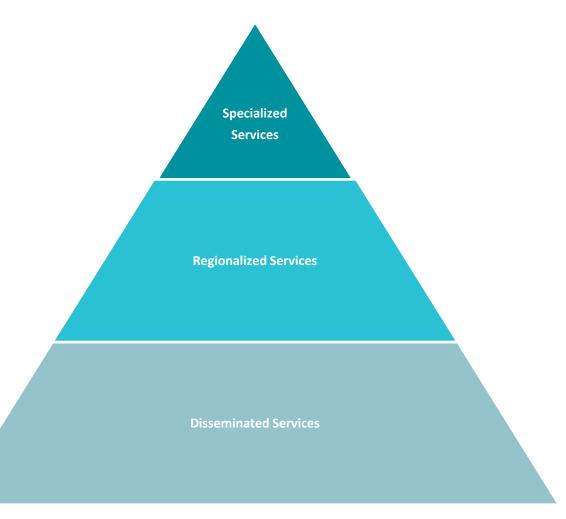
- CB inherited the programme
- Built on existing strengths

# Provincial Oversight from CCO: What is Specialized Services Oversight?

What is Specialized Service?

- Low-volume
- High complexity
- High cost
- Not available in every LHIN
- Involve a rapidly evolving knowledge base and high degree of specialization

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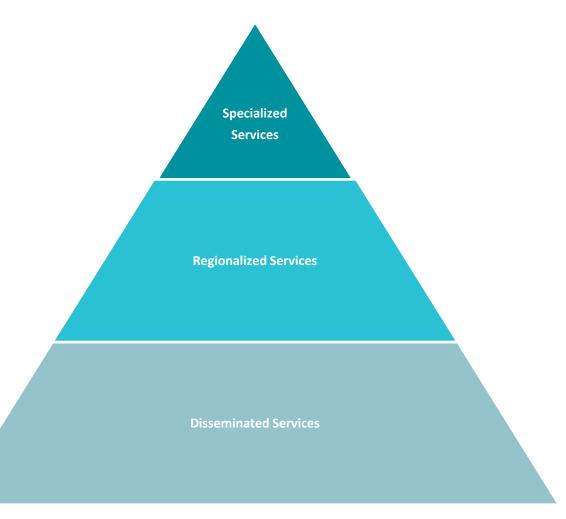


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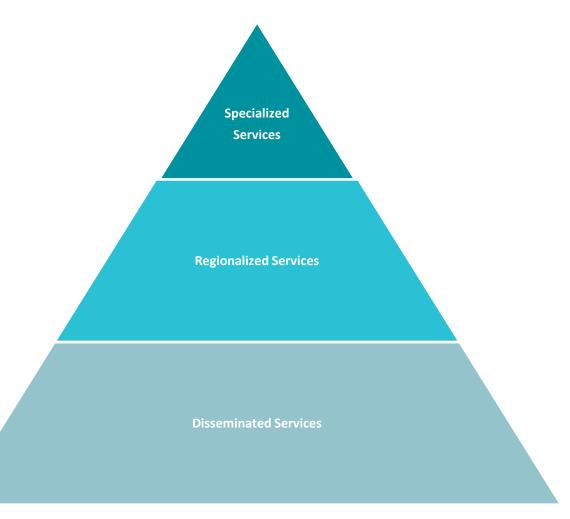


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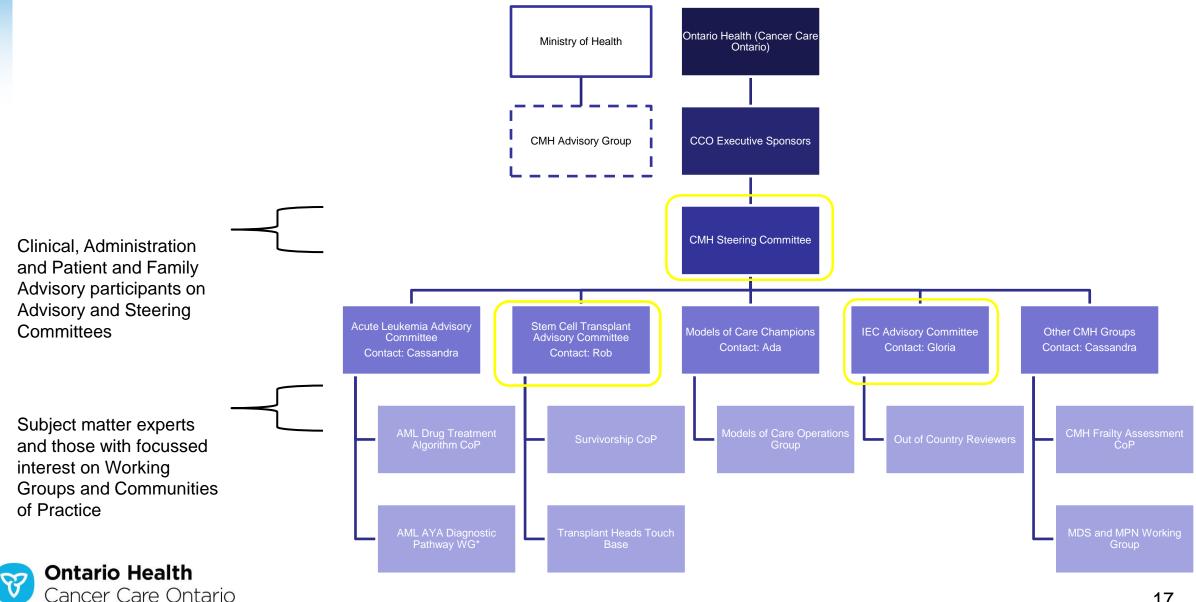




## What do we accomplish at/with CCO

- Increase access to transplants
  - Capacity building
  - Day +1 transfers
  - New models of care
- Funding transplants and now CAR T therapy
  - Provincial/interprovincial activity in a regional hospital
- Enhance quality
  - Promoting FACT accreditation for all programmes in Ontario
- Facilitating Equitable Access Nationally
  - CAR T Cell therapy for out of region and out of province patients

#### **CMH Stakeholder Engagement Model and Governance**



<sup>\*</sup> Joint effort with the Pediatric Oncology Group of Ontario

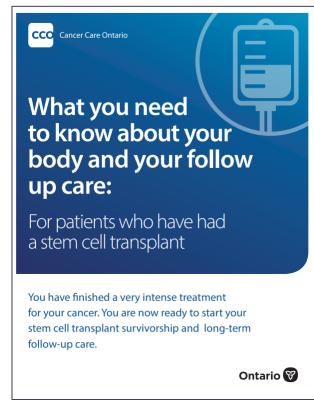
#### Clinical resources

#### **Stem Cell Transplant Survivorship Care Post-Transplant**

- A CCO webpage has been launched to host clinical position statements and patient education information for the unique survivorship and long-term follow-up care needs of patients following an autologous or allogeneic stem cell transplant.
- The webpage can be found <u>here</u>.

#### **Stem Cell Transplant Survivorship Patient Pamphlet**

- A Post-Stem Cell Transplant Survivorship patient pamphlet has been developed to share with post-transplant patients.
- The pamphlet is hosted on the SCT Survivorship Care Post-Transplant webpage.





#### The Facts About FACT

- Federation for Accreditation of Cellular Therapy
- International standard (called JACIE in Europe)
- Establishes standards programmes must meet
- Covers all aspects from infrastructure to personnel to procedures
- Annual reporting and q3yr site visits





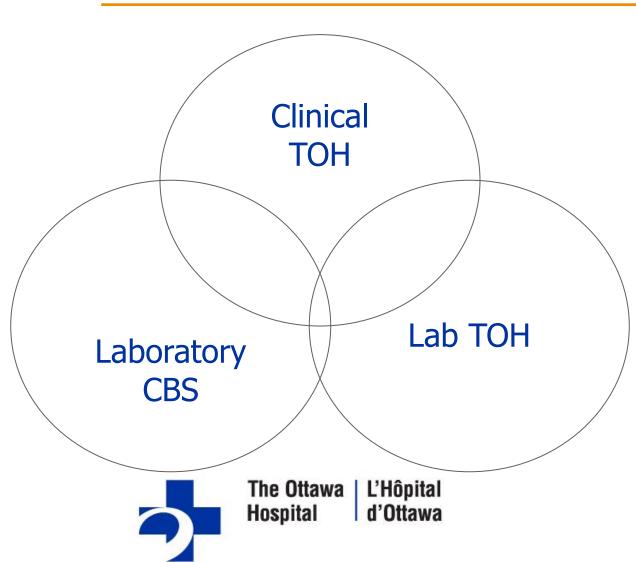
Back to TOH Program ...

also complex

- Whether with us a short time or a long time, always family
- We like our picnics

#### **TOH BMT PROGRAM**





A Collaboration of the TOH Clinical and Laboratory Programs:

- Division of Clinical Hematology
- Division of Laboratory Hematology

And the Ottawa Centre of the Canadian Blood Services

- Stem Cell Processing Laboratory
- Flow Cytometry Laboratory
- OneMatch Donor Registry

#### **COLLABORATIONS**

- Canadian Blood Services Cell Processing Lab
  - Follows GMP guidelines; FACT, AABB Accredited;
  - >300 products processed/year;
  - Performs cryopreservation, storage, distribution, QC, testing, CD34+ selection and more...
- OneMatch Stem Cell and Marrow Network Donor Registry
- EORLA On-site third party lab
  - ASHI accredited HLA typing laboratory
  - Pathology, Biochemistry, Microbiology
- VERSITI (Blood Center of Wisconsin) Chimerism testing
- CHEO Cytogenetics; Virology Laboratory
- Ontario Health CCO / Provincial networks
- Cellular Therapy Transplant Canada (CBMTG)
- CIBMTR / BMTCTN



#### **CLINICAL PROGRAM: THE PEEPS**

- Academic Program
  - Attending Hematologists
  - Clinical Associates (Hospitalists)
  - TCT and Hematology Fellows
  - Multidisciplinary Team
    - Clinical Associates, APN, NP, PAs, Trainees, Nurses, Dietician, Pharmacists, Occupational Therapist, Physiotherapist, Social Worker, Psychologist
  - Radiation Oncology
  - Hematopathology



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- Consulting/Support Services
  - Infectious Diseases
  - Rapid Assessment Clinical Evaluation (RACE)
  - Intensive Care
  - Pulmonary
  - GI
  - Psychiatry
  - Palliative Care
  - Dermatology
  - etc

#### **BMT / MALIGNANT HEMATOLOGY FOOTPRINT**

Patients can transition between each location as medically required

**Inpatient Unit** 

5 West

-20 private rooms

**Intensive Care Unit** 



Day Hospital: 5 West

- -9 single, 2 semi rooms
- -12 hrs/day, 365 days/yr

**MDCU** 

-12 + 8 beds/chairs (chemo/supp care/procedures)

Apheresis

- Graft collections, ECP

**Outpatient Clinics** 

-Modules L & J

(pre- and post-BMT visits)

**Emergency Room** 



# BMT PROGRAM - OVERVIEW

- Capacity >250 cellular therapy treatments / year
- In the midst of capital expansion
- Average 15-20 inpatients
- Average 10-15 day hospital patients
- Group practice model
- Average 100+ outpatient visits/week:
  - Consult
  - Planning
  - Acute follow up
  - Longterm follow up
  - Urgent CAR T referrals

# The Team

- DA our link to CBS
- Active research mentor for trainees



#### TCT Central Activities

- TCT Office
  - Giselle Villeneuve
  - Shandy Jean
  - Bluette Riel
  - Jill Pajel
  - Kelly Vien
- TCT Coordination
  - Matt Granger
- Search Coord / FACT Guru
  - Carolina Cieniak











#### More Central Activities





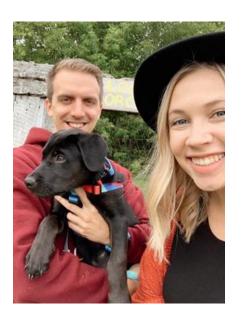


- Nancy Agnew
- Debbie Bastien
- Matthew Paquette



- Hayley Mills
- Nicole Neocleous
- Kalina Abrol
- Carter Sullivan





### Module L/J

- Clinic Reception
  - Lama Arbach
  - Marc Leblanc
  - Emile Gauthier
- Clinic Nurses
  - Jen Halkali (vaccines)
  - Virginia Mullins
  - Lana Bols
  - Alana Cragg
  - Amanda Plourde
  - Helen Szadowski







- Elizabeth Drouin MD
- Erin Mutterback NP
- Linda Hamelin NP









# 5W/Out Patient TCT (apparently a shy bunch)

- Nursing Leadership 5W
  - Tania Baird
  - Katrine Richer
- Physio/OT
  - Leeanne (PT)
  - Roxanne (PT asst)
  - Nciole (OT)
- Social Workers
  - Jennifer Diamant
  - Esther Doucette
- Nutritionist
  - Dianne Marcotte

- MD Extenders
  - Michael Hodgins
  - John Cockburn
  - James Taylor
  - Kira Slivitzky
- Pharmacists
  - Michelle 1 (Boyce)
  - Michelle 2 (Delbaere)
  - Connor Prince
  - (Harry Hopkins!)
- Environmental services

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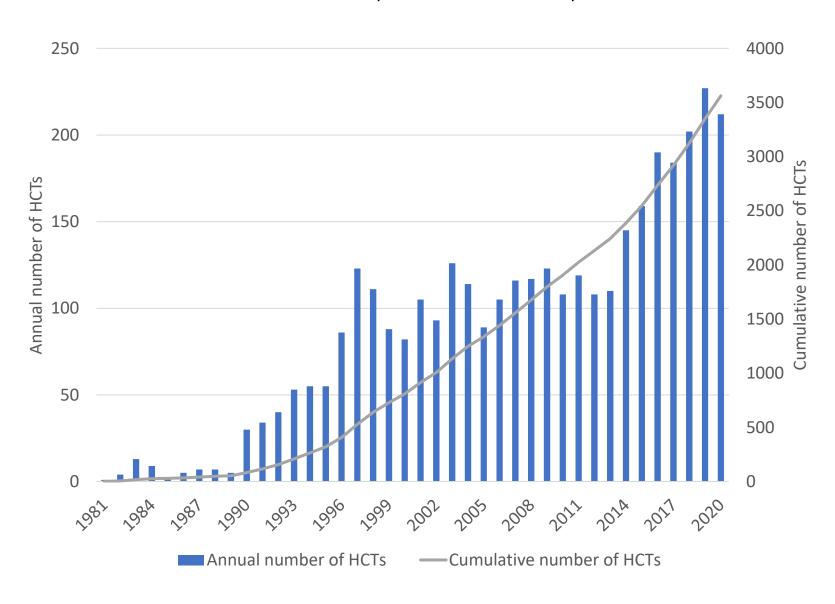




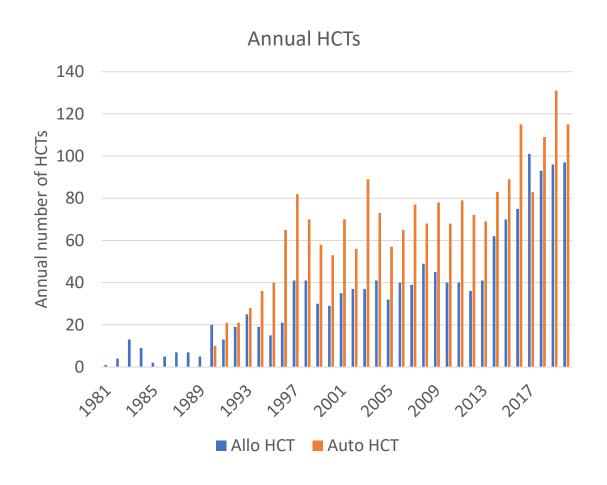
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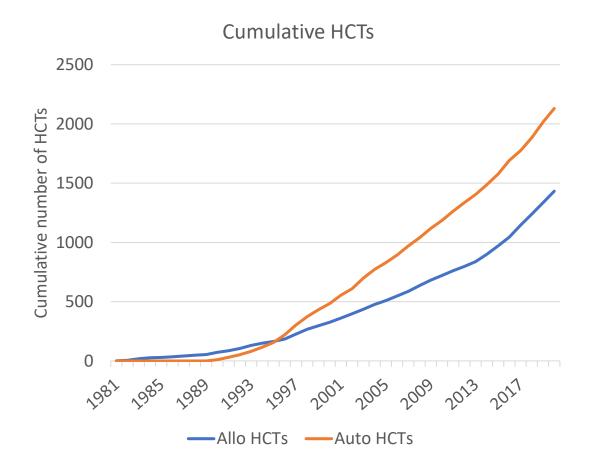
MK the future of our programme
Set up clinical CAR T Cell programme
that serves Ontario and Maritimes

#### Total Number of Transplants since Inception at TOH



#### Transplant Types since inception at TOH





# Catchment Area: Come from away...



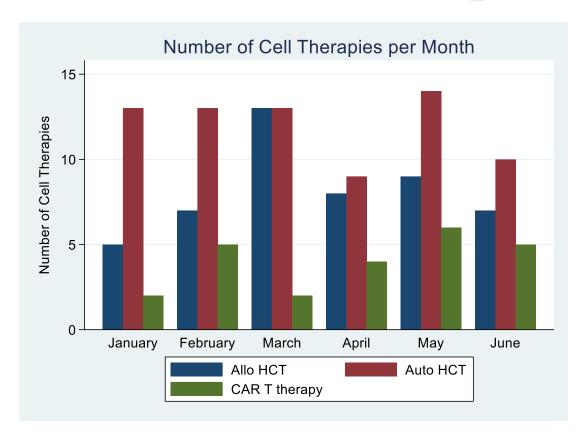
- Allos (donor transplants)
  - Eastern Ontario to ~Peterborough
  - All Northern Ontario
  - Nfld and Labrador
- Auto (self transplants)
  - Eastern Ont, T Bay, West PQ
  - All Canada for Autoimmune Pts
- CAR T Cells
  - Ont, NB, PEI, NL
- Unrelated Donors
  - All of Canada

# Breakdown of Patients by Program

	2020 (Jan 1 <sup>st</sup> – Dec 30 <sup>th</sup> )	2021 (Jan 1 <sup>st</sup> – June 30 <sup>th</sup> )
Ontario	196	123
Ottawa (TOH/Ottawa)	139	82
Thunder Bay (TBRHSC)	13	14
Sudbury (HSN)	18	9
Kingston (KHSC/KGH)	18	13
Hamilton (HHS/Hamilton)	2	1
London (LHSC)	2	2
Other ON	4	2
Quebec	15	12
Gatineau	14	10
Other Quebec	1	2
Newfoundland	1	9
Prince Edward Island	0	1

Data includes all transplant and cell therapies

## Number of Transplants and Cellular Therapies

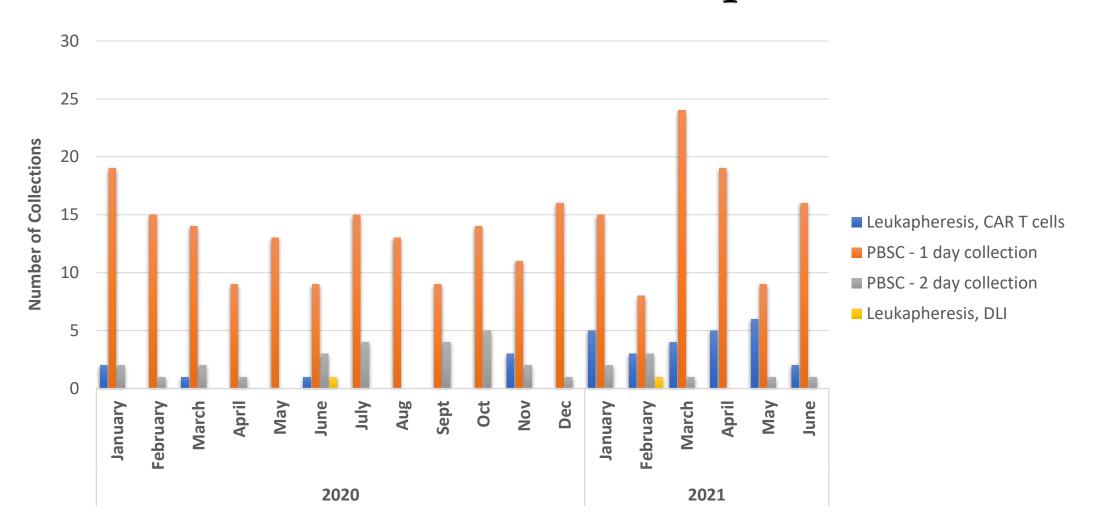


	Number of Cell Therapies			
	ALLO	AUTO	CAR T cells	Total
January	5	13	2	20
February	7	13	5	25
March	13	13	2	28
April	8	9	4	21
May	9	14	6	29
June	7	10	5	22
TOTAL	49	72	24	145

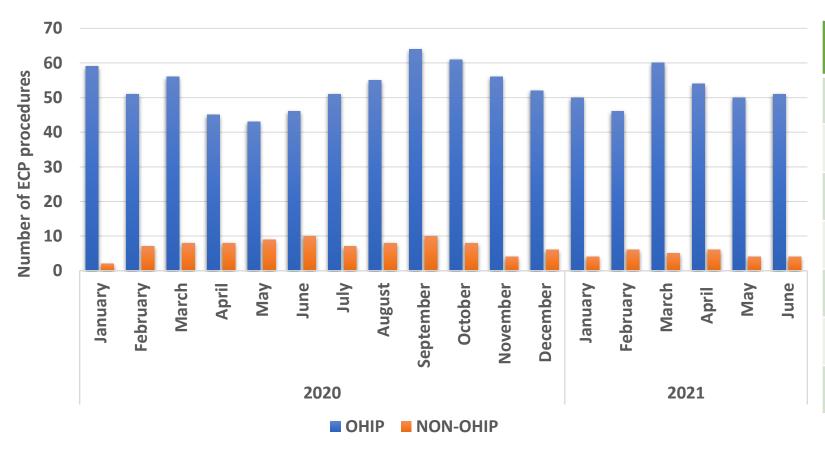
Note: Related ALLO = 11

Unrelated ALLO = 38

## Number of Collections per Month

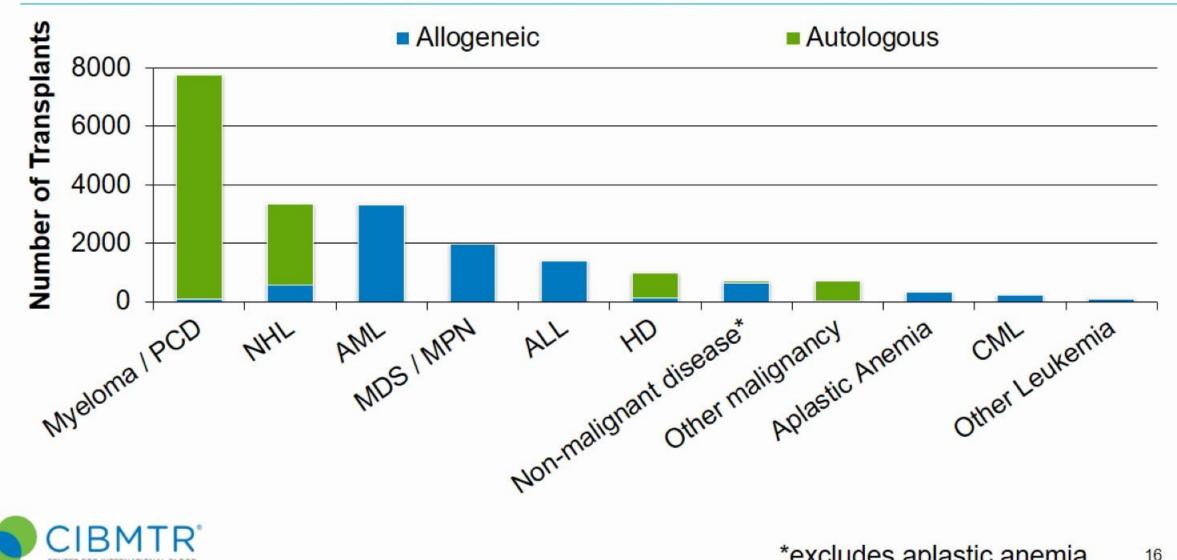


### Number of ECP Procedures



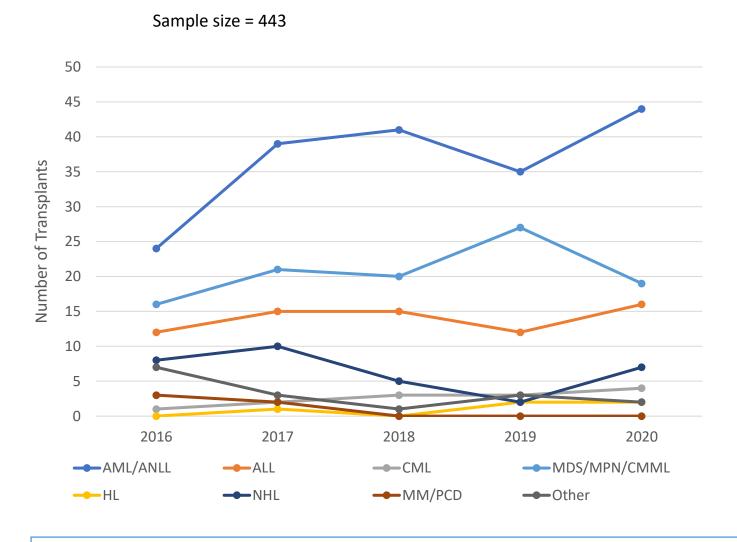
	Number of Patients		Number of Procedures	
	NHL	GVHD	NHL	GVHD
January	6	17	12	42
February	6	19	12	40
March	6	18	13	52
April	7	18	14	46
May	7	17	13	41
June	6	17	16	39

### Indications for Hematopoietic Cell Transplant in the US, 2019





#### Trend of Allogeneic HCT infused at TOH by disease between 2016-2020



#### Inclusion criteria

- All age groups
- Only TOH infused recipients between 2016-2020
- Source and Type of HCT: PBSC and BM both related and unrelated
- Include both Canadian and International donors

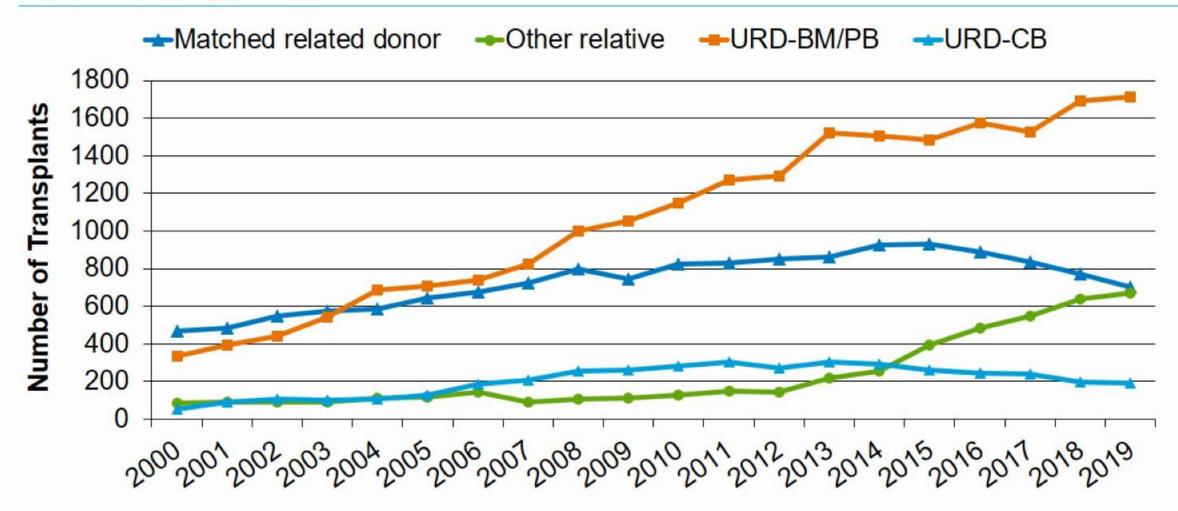
#### Exclusion criteria

- Infusions at other centers
- Source of HCT: exclude DLI

Note: others includes SAA and inherited disorders of metabolism

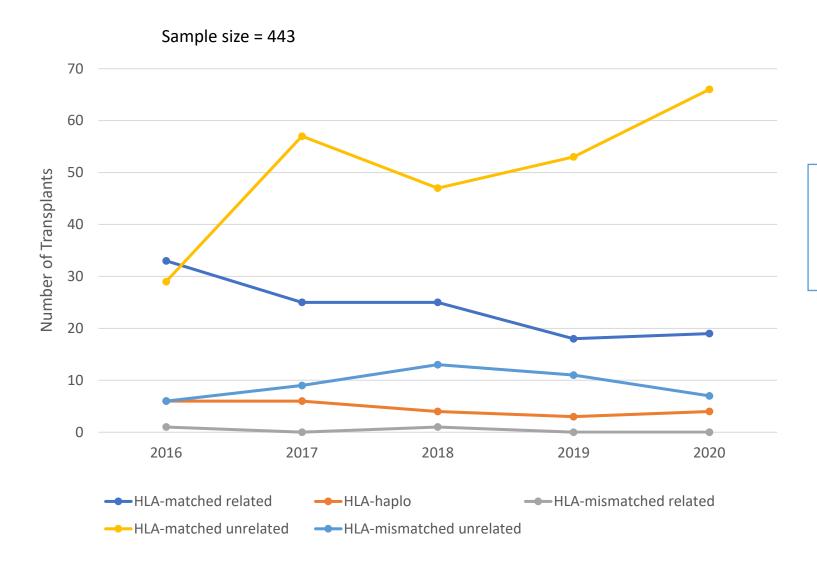
Summary: Relative change in number of allo HCTs is greatest for AML (83.3% increase)

# Trends in allogeneic HCT for Acute Myelogenous Leukemia (AML) by Donor Type in the US



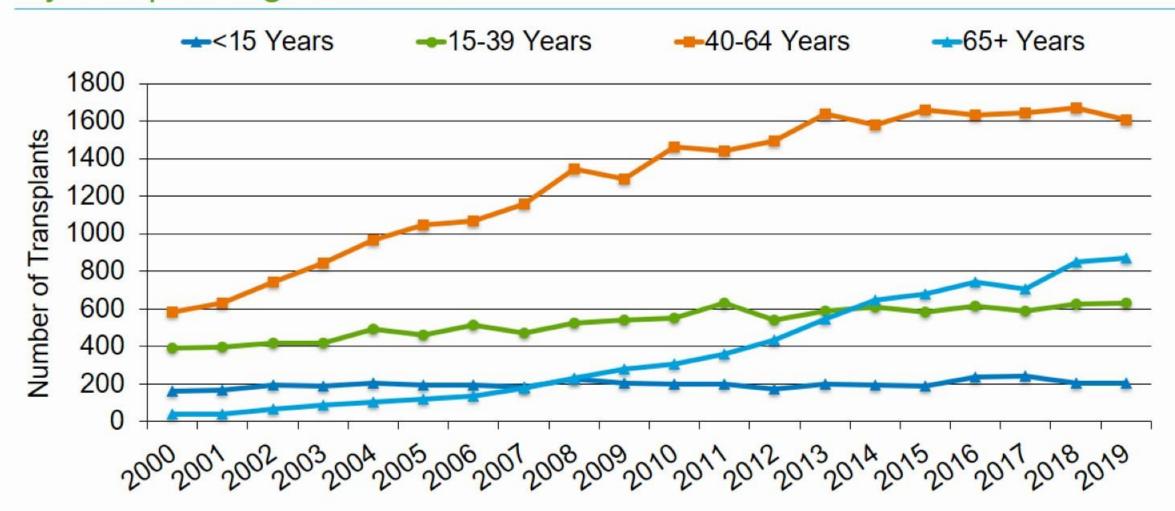


#### Trend of Allogeneic HCT infused at TOH by donor type between 2016-2020



Summary: Allo transplants with HLAmatched unrelated donors have increased over the years whereas all other donor types have decreased.

# Trends in allogeneic HCT for Acute Myelogenous Leukemia (AML) by Recipient Age in the US





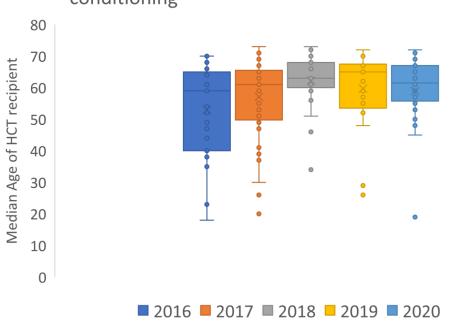
# Median Age of Allogeneic HCT Recipient following myeloablative or reduced intensity conditioning regimen by year





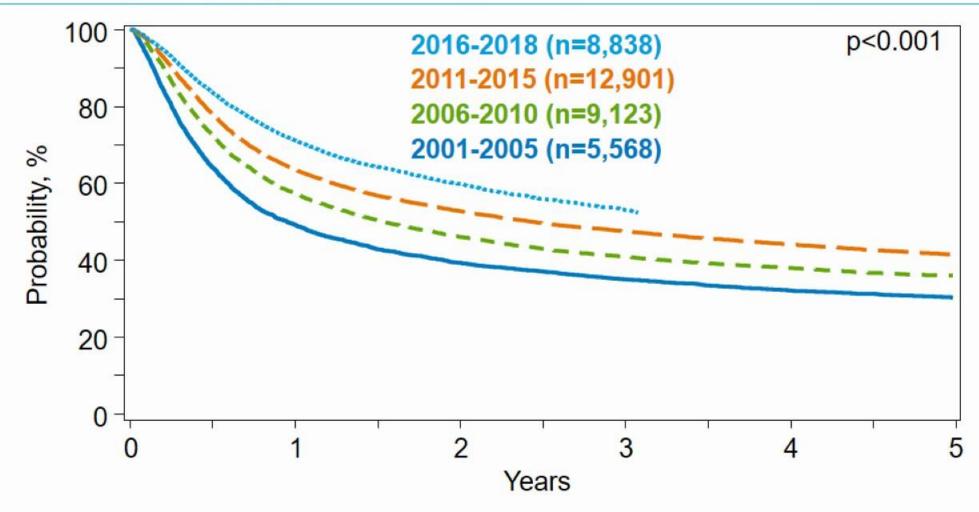
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
N	40	55	57	58	57
Median Age	43	47	50	54	51

## Median Age of HCT recipient for reduced intensity conditioning



	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
N	35	42	33	25	38
Median Age	59	61	63	65	61.5

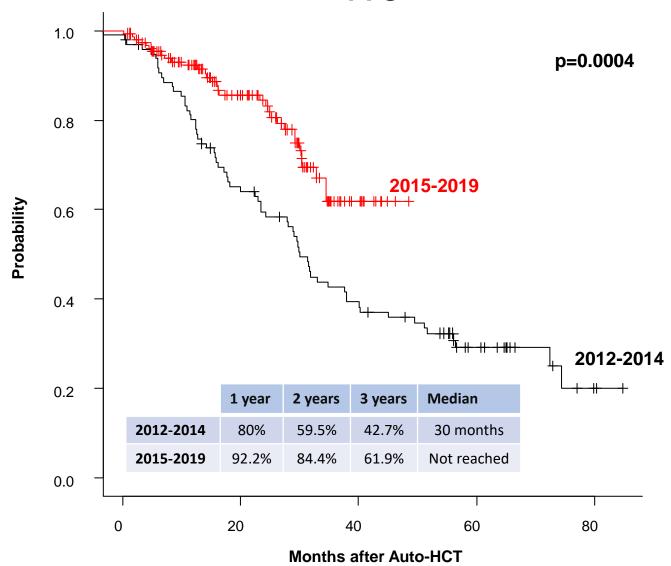
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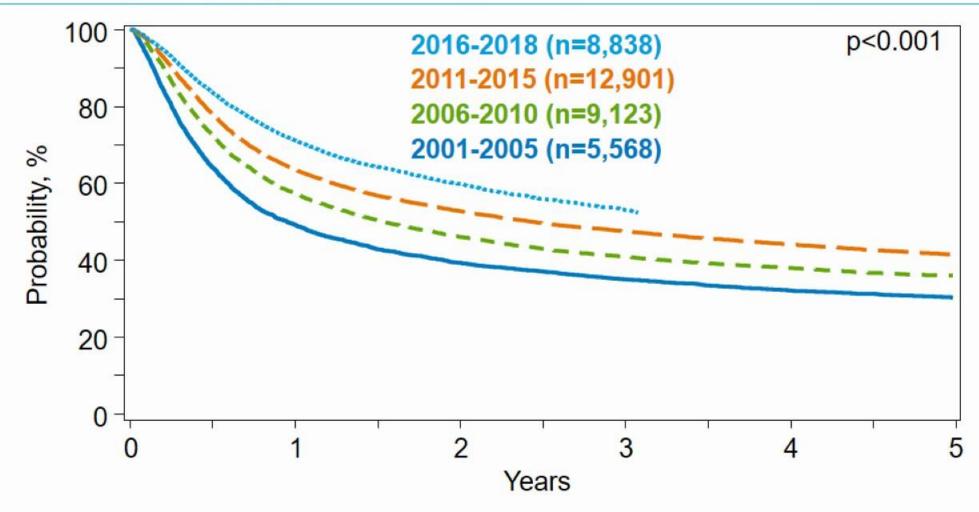


## ALL AUTO-HCT FOR MULTIPLE MYELOMA (2012-2019)



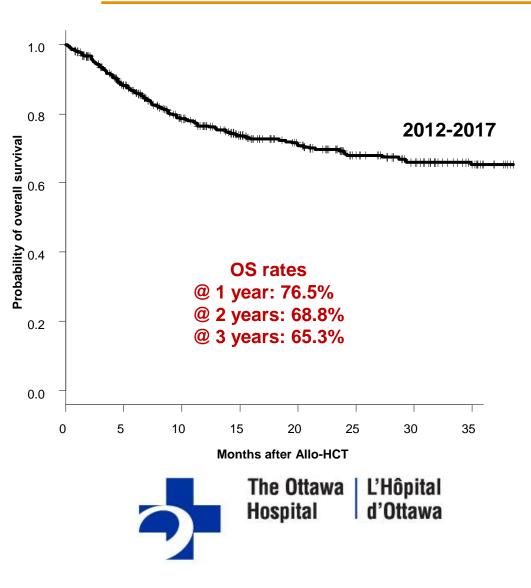


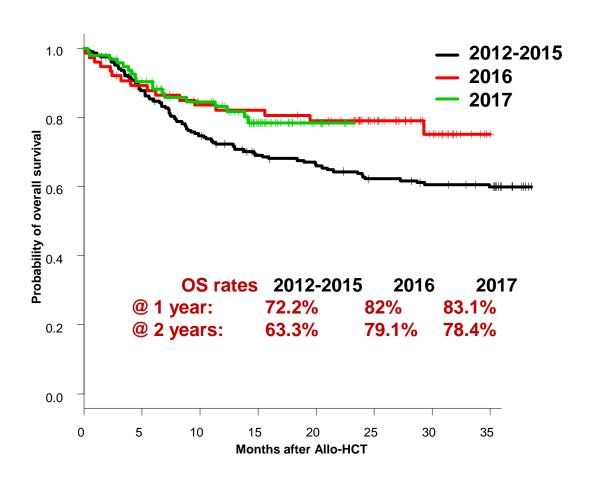
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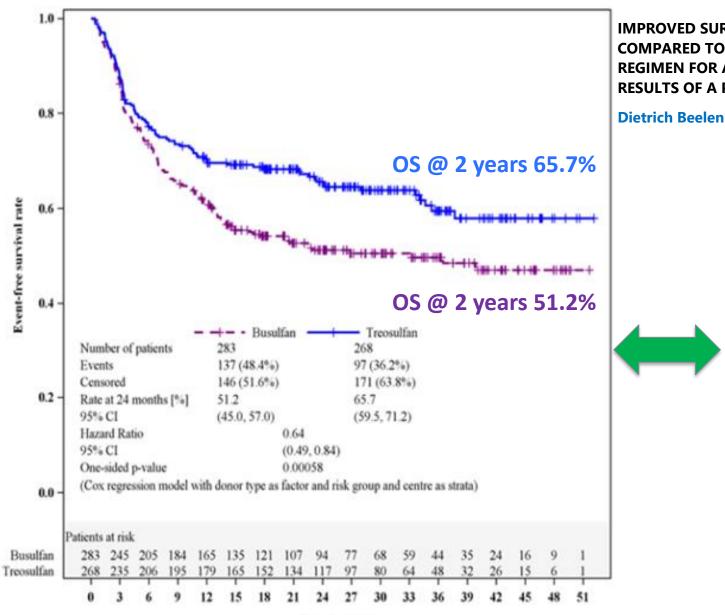


### **ALLO-HCT: OVERALL SURVIVAL**





### **ADVANCES IN THE CONDITIONING SETTINGS**



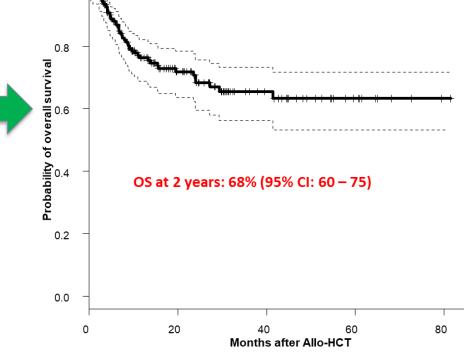
Time [months]

IMPROVED SURVIVAL OF AML- AND MDS-PATIENTS AFTER TREOSULFAN-BASED COMPARED TO REDUCED-INTENSITY BUSULFAN-BASED CONDITIONING-REGIMEN FOR ALLOGENEIC HAEMATOPOIETIC CELL TRANSPLANTATION: FINAL RESULTS OF A PROSPECTIVE RANDOMISED PHASE-III-TRIAL

Dietrich Beelen<sup>1</sup> et al. EBMT 2019

#### TOH TCT PROGRAMME



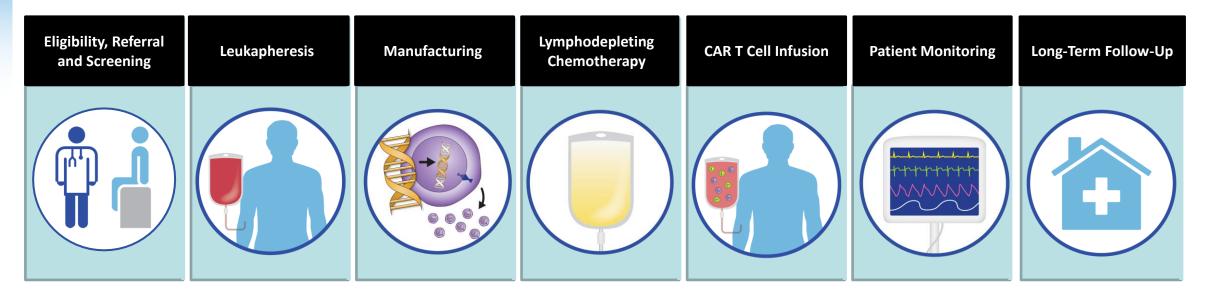


## CAR T CELLS

- NK also the future of our programme
- Nationally recognized for developing made in Canada CAR T Cells with BIOCANRx



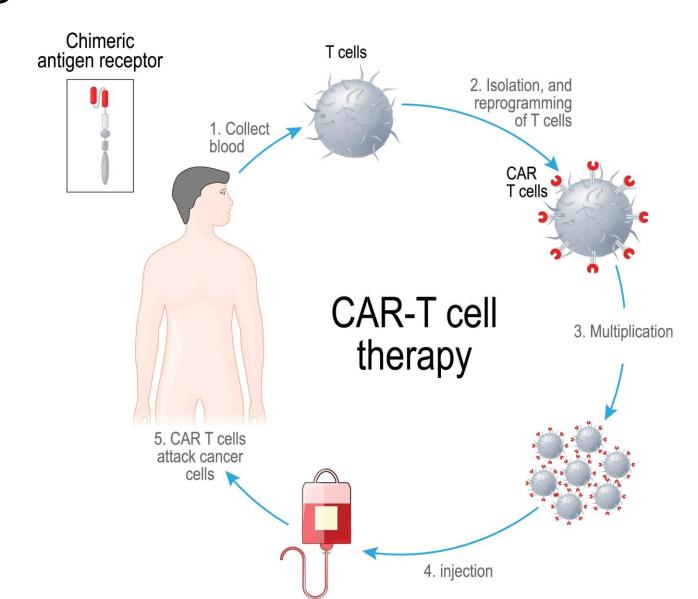
## **CAR-T Cell Treatment Journey Overview**



#### Path for referring centre:

- Begins with referral to an approved treatment centre
- Referring site plays active role in salvage, bridging therapy and long-term patient care and monitoring
- Repatriation back to referring physician for follow up expected 4 weeks after infusion

## CAR T CELLS



### Lymphoma Indications: Yescarta & Kymriah

- Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL) not otherwise specified
- High grade B-cell lymphoma with MYC and BCL2 and/or BCL6 rearrangements (double or triple hit by FISH) or not otherwise specified
- DLBCL arising from follicular lymphoma
- Primary mediastinal large B-cell lymphoma (PMBCL) axicabtagene ciloleucel

#### **Exclusions:**

 Richter transformation (DLBCL from CLL), mantle cell lymphoma, Burkitt lymphoma, follicular lymphoma

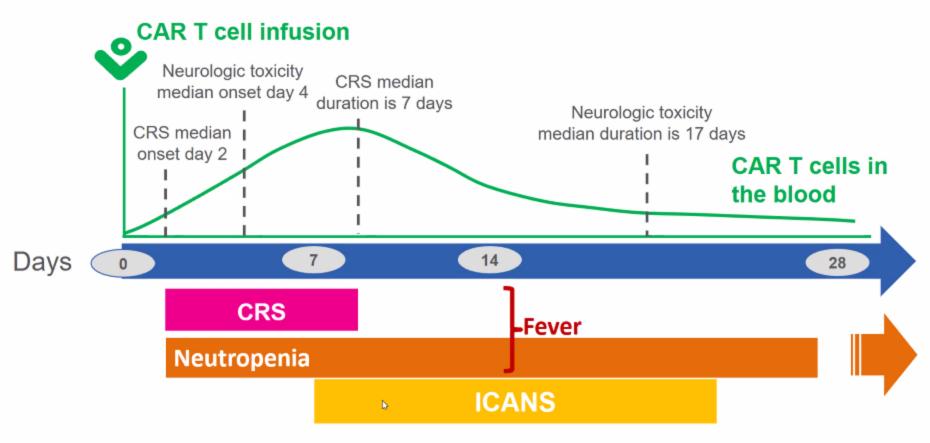


### **Leukemia Indication: Kymriah**

- Patient has CD19+ B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL)
- Patient is 25 years of age or younger
- Disease status is refractory, relapsed after allogeneic stem cell transplant (SCT), is ineligible for SCT, or has experienced second or later relapse.



#### **Toxicities related to CAR T-cells infusion**



98% of all patients recovered from neurologic adverse reactions 98% of all patients recovered from CRS

Adapted from Lee DW, et al. *Blood*. 2014;124:188-195. 2.

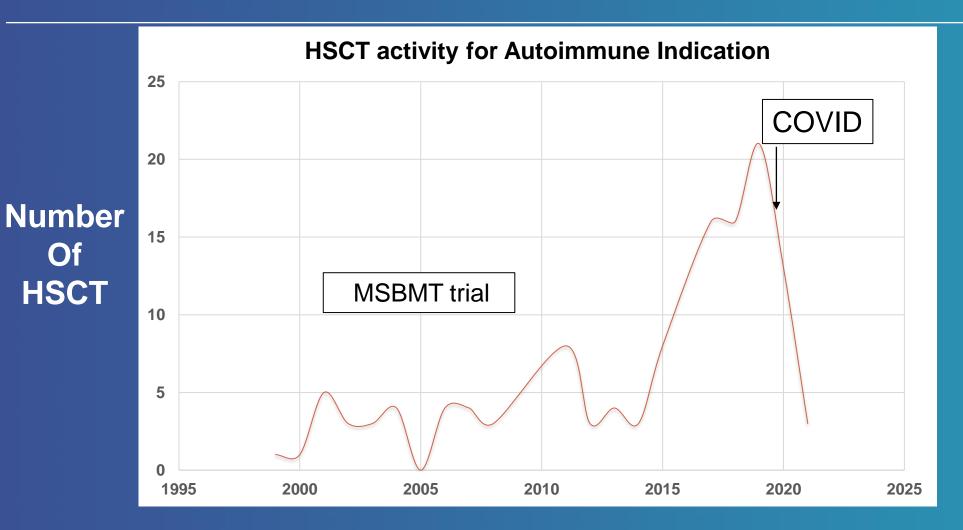
# Autologous HCT for Autoimmune Diseases

- HA an internationally recognized innovator
- Has a fondness for Hawaiian shirts



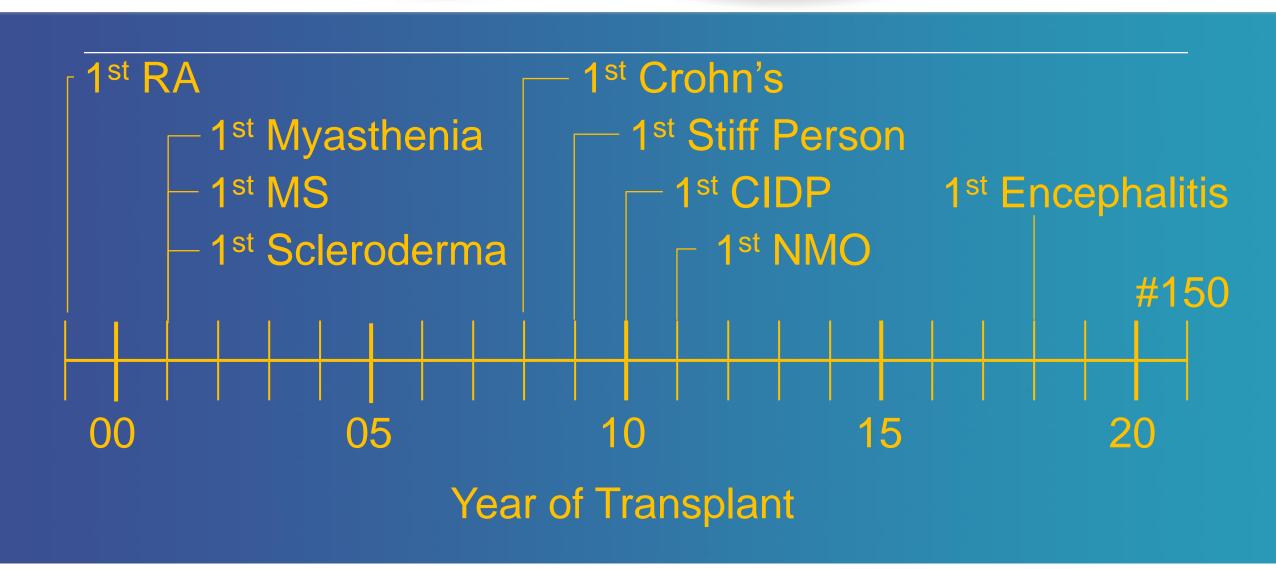


## HSCT for AID – slow adoption but accelerating



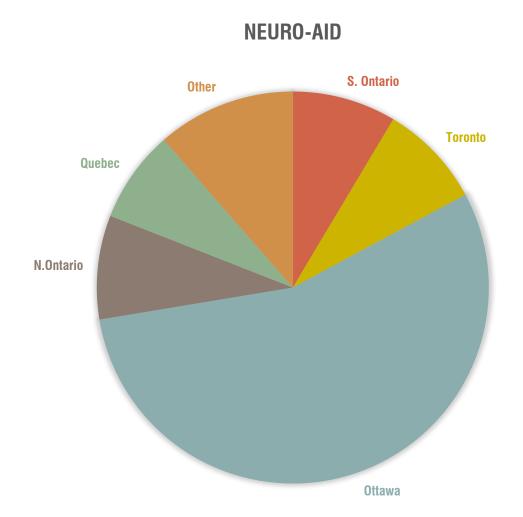


## "Build it and they will come?" or "nothing left to try?"

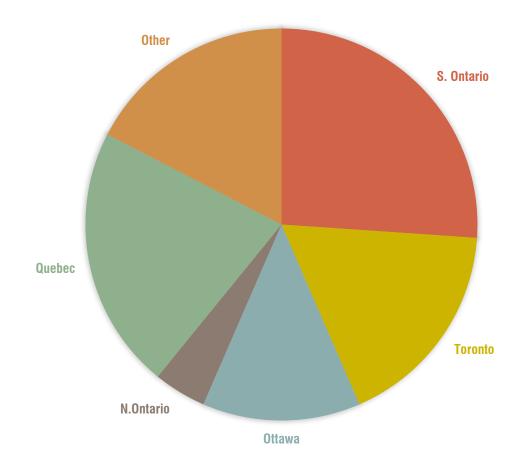




# Geographic Region of Patients.

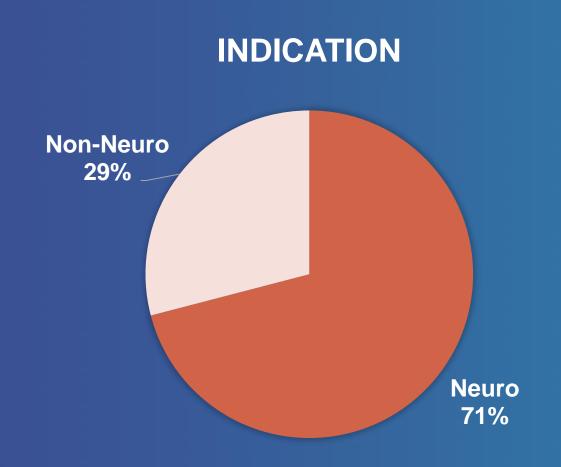


#### RHEUM-AID





## **Stem Cell Transplant Indication – Neuro AID**



Indication	
Multiple Sclerosis	72
Myasthenia Gravis	12
CIDP	7
Stiff Person Syndrome	7
Neuromyelitis Optica	6
Autoimmune Encephalitis	3
Total	107



# AutoHSCT for MS – Clinical Relapse

#### **Before HSCT**

Clinical Data on 42 pts

- 195.9 pt-years follow-up
- 206 relapse
- 1.1 relapses/pt/year

MRI Data on 53 pts

- 283 scans
- 108 scans with new or enhancing lesions

#### **After HSCT**

Clinical Data on 42 pts

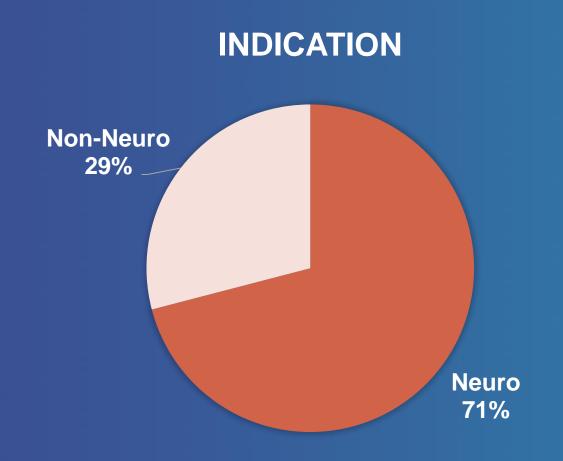
- 288 pt-years follow-up
- 0 relapses
- 0 relapses/pt/year

MRI Data on 52 pts

- 650 scans
- 2 scan with new or enhancing lesion



## Stem Cell Transplant Indication – Non-Neuro AID



Indication	
Scleroderma	26
Rheumatoid Arthritis	4
PSC	5
Crohn's Disease	6
ITP	1
APLS	1
Total	44



# Scleroderma - Skin Remodeling

Prior to HSCT









6 weeks after HSCT



My happy place...