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Working to transform the treatment of solid tumors with precision T cell therapy



Company founded 2016	Nasdaq IPO: ACHL 2021	Early clinical proof of concept 2022	Clinical update Q1 2024	Clinical update H2 2024
Global Headquarters London, UK		Two active clinical programs with near-term	Catapult Cell and Gene Therapy Centre Stevenage, UK	
		Emerging PoC for cNeT in NSCLC		
		\$132M ¹ cash supports operations through 2025		
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Clinical-stage precision targeting for solid tumors using clonal neoantigen-reactive T cells (cNeT)



Clinical data continue to support clonal neoantigens as critical targets in solid tumor immunotherapy Neoantigens have been correlated with clinical benefit across multiple therapeutic modalities including checkpoint inhibitors, mRNA vaccines and TIL therapy



Clinical update on 18 patients with improved manufacturing process (~10-fold dose increase) Favorable tolerability profile but no new objective responses observed. Updated clinical study incorporates enhanced conditioning to drive improved cNeT engraftment and clinical activity



Translational science providing critical mechanistic insight for TIL based and related therapies

Building a deep understanding of factors that can impact clinical activity focused on T cell engraftment and persistence, markers of cell function and impact of immune evasion at the antigen level



Second clinical update to follow in H2 2024 with meaningful enhanced conditioning cohort



Strong cash position supports all planned operations through 2025 Cash runway of \$132M as of December 31, 2023

Clonal neoantigens: A critical and clinically validated target class in solid tumour immunotherapy

Clonals are the only known target present on all tumor cells & absent from healthy tissue

Multiple clinical modalities validate neoantigens but only clonals drive overall survival

Tumor Healthy cell cell **Tumor** associated antigen Clonal neoantigens antig Tumor cell neoantigen

Neoantigen-reactive T cells correlated with improved outcomes in checkpoint inhibitor (CPI) and TIL therapy¹⁻³

mRNA vaccines targeting neoantigens have demonstrated recurrence-free survival benefit vs anti-PD-1 alone⁴

Tumor heterogeneity and subclonal neoantigens impair response to CPI⁵⁻⁷

Only clonal neoantigens are correlated with overall survival in CPI therapy⁸⁻¹⁰

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PELEUS[™]: A patent protected world-leading AI-platform for identifying the most potent and immunogenic targets

PELEUS



Superior clonal calling: only platform to use multi-region analysis proven to overcome limitations of traditional VAF based methods¹

Most immunogenic targets: our proprietary and validated
"neoRanker" AI-technology can identify >70% of all T cell reactivities in just 30 antigens (at least twice as good as current deep-learning tools)

Mitigates immune evasion:² PELEUS prioritizes antigens not impacted by immune evasion mechanisms (i.e. loss of HLA heterozygosity)

Clonal neoantigens can be targeted with a number of therapeutic modalities



Current Achilles approach $_{\mathsf{T}}$

Alternative modalities

TIL-based cNeT

TIL-based therapy is clinically validated across multiple solid tumor settings



Blood as source of cNeT, without the need for surgery

Blood-based cNeT

Clonal neoantigen vaccines



TCR-therapy

T cells engineered with receptors that target "off-theshelf" shared neoantigens



mRNA vaccines using highly immunogenic clonal neoantigens to improve efficacy





Several lines of clinical evidence support neoantigen reactive T cells driving efficacy in TIL Tx TIL-based studies have demonstrated impressive clinical responses in multiple solid tumor settings¹⁻³

Improved clinical outcomes in TIL therapy are correlated with high neoantigen load and the presence of neoantigen reactive T cells⁴⁻⁸



Achilles' approach enriches for the active component of TIL therapy (neoantigen reactive T cells) and seeks to improve activity by targeting the most immunogenic clonal neoantigens

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Updated programs in advanced NSCLC and metastatic melanoma



NSCLC, Stage III-Stage IV (*n*=40, open label)

Cohort A – Monotherapy (enhanced lymphodepletion¹ and low dose IL-2)

Cohort C – Monotherapy (enhanced lymphodepletion¹ and high dose IL-2²)

All NSCLC patients receive enhanced lymphodepletion (Flu/Cy)¹

THETIS* Advanced Melanoma Melanoma, metastatic malignant (n=40, open-label)

Cohort A – Monotherapy (low dose IL-2)

Cohort C – Monotherapy (high dose IL-2)²

Evaluating safety, tolerability, clinical activity (RECIST) and biomarkers of clinical activity

Ongoing in UK, Europe and US

Summary Interim clinical update on 18 patients



• We have dosed 18 new patients since last update with a median cNeT dose of 172M

- -15 patients were dosed using low intensity lymphodepletion and IL-2 (host conditioning)
- Favourable safety profile, similar to standard TIL
- 25% of high dose (>100M cNeT) patients demonstrated some tumor reduction but we did not observe any new objective responses
- We observed early peaks of cNeT post infusion but limited persistence beyond 28 days
 - Clinical study protocols have been updated to include enhanced host conditioning (EHC) aligned to standard TIL to drive improved cNeT persistence and clinical activity
- Three patients dosed to date with enhanced host-conditioning (EHC) showing significantly improved cNeT engraftment kinetics
 - All three patients showed significantly improved cNeT engraftment and persistent engraftment in the two evaluable patients
 - Best response observed for NSCLC patient (C-66) with stable disease (-14% tumor volume) at week 6
- Meaningful clinical update with enhanced host conditioning planned for H2 2024

Clinical update in NSCLC and melanoma

15 (of 18) patients were dosed using low intensity host conditioning





Achilles translational science platform enables detailed mechanistic comparison to recently approved standard TIL therapy



	Cell dose	Function	Host conditioning	Mechanism
TIL Tx	Stochastic expansion (clonal and subclonal) with median reactive doses estimated at 210-420 M cells ¹	TIL therapies express key markers of tumor migration and anti- tumor activity ²	Industry standard host conditioning able to deliver durable tumor- reactive T cell engraftment ^{3,4}	Unable to characterize and track tumor-reactive component of product
cNeT	Median cNeT dose of 172 M for last 18 patients dosed and 611 M in last 10 products manufactured	Highly functional, expressing markers of activation, tumor migration and anti- tumor activity	Trial protocol now updated to evaluate enhanced lymphodepletion and IL-2 aligned to standard TIL	We measure active component in product characterization and patient tracking to deconvolute mechanism of action

cNeT are functional and active, consistent with reported TIL data

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Activation and anti-tumour activity

- Anti-tumor activity markers (TNFa/IFNg) highly expressed
- TIGIT highly expressed and low levels of exhaustion marker PD-1 correlated with TIL response¹

Tumor migration

• High expression of tumor migration marker CXCR3

Memory phenotype

- High proportion of effector memory T cells, as seen in standard TIL¹
- Expression profile consistent with a less terminally differentiated cell type (e.g., high CD27²)







- Over **10-fold improvement in cNeT doses** across Process 1 to Process 2
- Optimisation of T cell extraction conditions and implementation of automated cell harvesting delivering significant improvements in cNeT yields

Lack of cNeT persistence observed when using low intensity host conditioning





- Early peaks of cNeTs detected post dosing at levels comparable to those observed in standard TIL therapy where objective responses have been observed^{1,2}
- However, subsequent and rapid cNeT decay suggest lack of persistence likely leading to lack of clinical activity

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Sustained persistence of reactive TCR clones associated with partial response seen in patient C-17 and standard TIL studies





cNeTs persisted beyond 6 months - longer than any other cNeT patient and similar to kinetics seen in standard TIL studies



Total target lesion reduction of 56% at week 36

Immune evasion not detected: No HLA allele loss with even distribution of peptides across alleles

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First melanoma patient dosed following enhanced conditioning demonstrated improved cNeT persistence with clinical activity likely impacted by immune evasion





- Significantly improved cNeT persistence compared to low intensity conditioning; cNeTs account for ~4% of all the T cell receptors detected in the blood beyond 28 days
- Progressive disease at Week 6: reduction in size of some of the target lesions (-4% overall) but progression observed in nontarget lesions
- Tumor exhibited high immune evasion with loss of expression of three different HLA molecules
- The clonal neoantigen targeted by CD8⁺ cNeTs was predicted to be presented by one of the lost HLA molecules, likely preventing tumor recognition by CD8⁺ cNeTs

NSCLC patients (C-61 and C66) showed significant improvement in cNeT persistence with enhanced host conditioning (enhanced lymphodepletion and IL-2)







- Patient C-66 and C-61 show significant early peaks (>60% of all T cell receptors detected) with sustained detection of cNeTs in blood post dosing
- Data from both patients consistent with improved engraftment driven by the enhanced conditioning
- C-66 had stable disease at week 6, with reduction in tumor volume (-14%) and low immune evasion of targeted clonal neoantigens
- C-61 experienced progressive disease at week 4 and withdrew from the study

All Patients Dosed (n=32)

Partial response Stable disease
Progressive disease
B Cohort B (+ CPI)
Cohort C (+ enhanced host-conditioning)

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Best response to cNeT (n=12) 100 50 -50 B Β -100 T-02 T-49 Γ-34 T-05 T-52 T-53 Γ-12 T-48 T-09 T-23 Γ-19 T-1 287M 216M 265M 1.6B 42M 14M 43M 2M 25M 12M 99M 16M



Safety



- Tolerability in line with standard TIL therapies with majority of adverse events related to the host conditioning
- No observed impact of cNeT dose on tolerability

Engraftment & persistence



- Optimized host conditioning key to enable T cell persistence; elevated product doses (>100 M) and cell phenotype cannot compensate for low intensity conditioning
- IL-2 and lymphodepletion are likely to independently contribute to T cell persistence; Achilles' data in 2H 2024 aim to evaluate parameters independently to inform optimal regime

Immune evasion



- Almost half of all NSCLC patients will have some level of HLA loss and ~16% will have lost at least three different HLA molecules¹
- Achilles' approach is focused on targeting antigens for which there are retained HLA molecules which can be used to prioritize antigens for cNeT therapy
- In addition, immune evasion status can be used to select targets in neoantigen vaccines where antigen cargo is limited and screen patients in TCR-T approaches





Meaningful clinical update in H2 2024 with cNeT monotherapy (NSCLC & melanoma) with enhanced host conditioning



Aiming to demonstrate improved cNeT persistence and clinical activity with optimized dose, functionality and host conditioning

Translational



Leverage world-class translational science platform to link cNeT dose, persistence and immune evasion with clinical activity



Optimized Process 2 delivering significant improvement with median cNeT dose of 611 M for last 10 products manufactured

Continue PELEUS[™] and process development to optimize dose, immunogenicity ranking and tracking of immune evasion status