



Personalised Neoantigen Therapies: State of the Art Neoantigen Immunogenicity Prediction

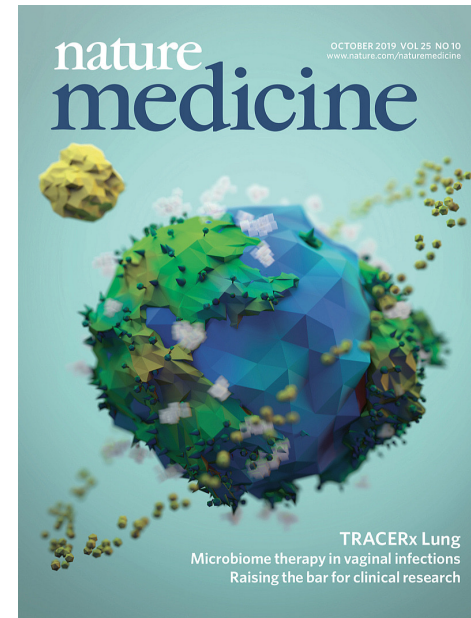
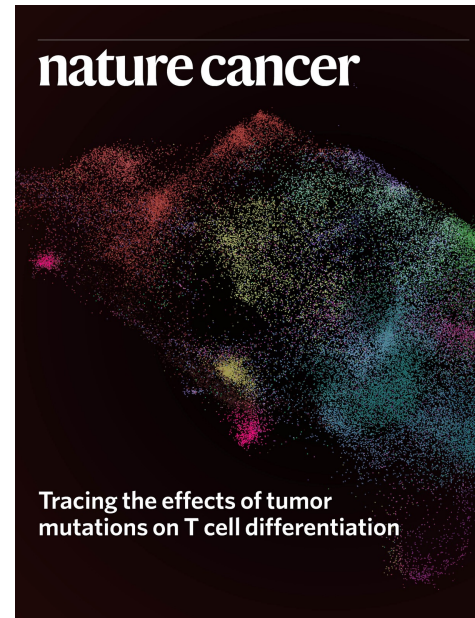
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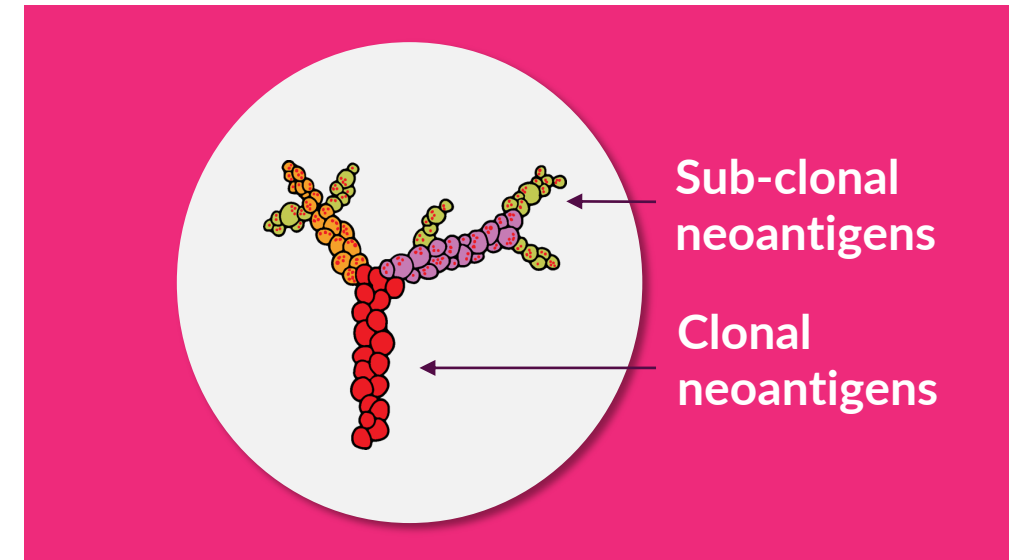
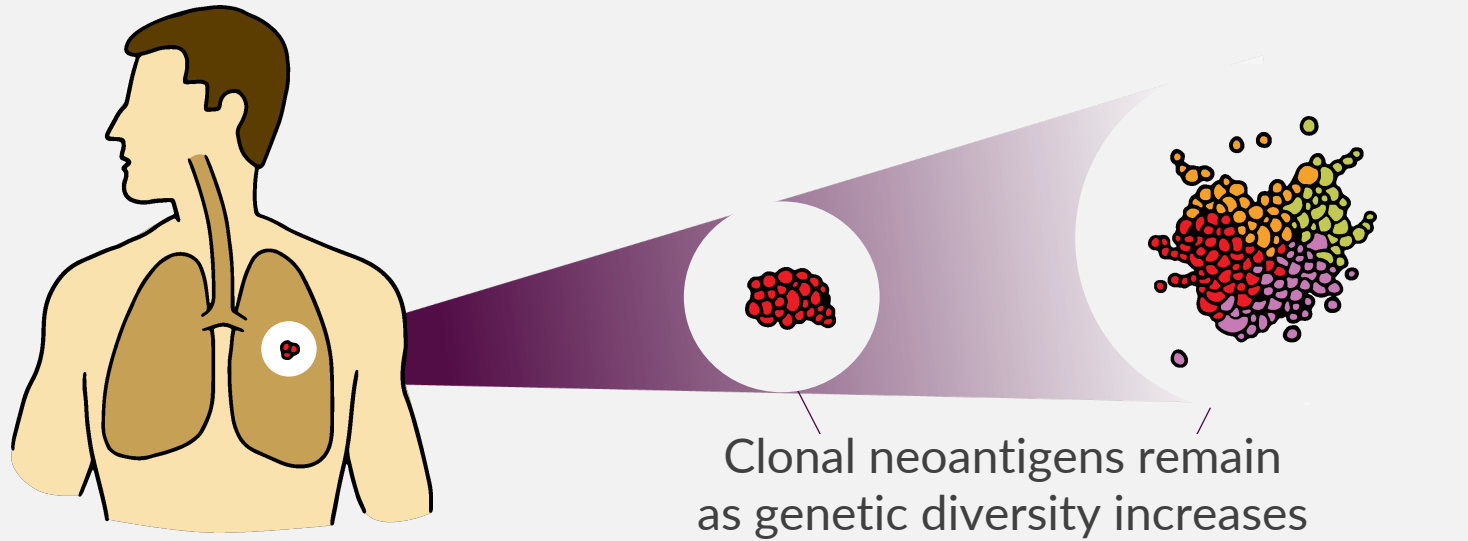
TRACERx: the largest longitudinal real-world NSCLC patient dataset



- Over 9 years, 815 patients enrolled with adv/ NSCLC
- Extensive multi-region sequencing of >4,000 biopsy samples
- 250 investigators based at 19 hospital sites in UK
- 25+ publications with ~6000 citations



The landmark TRACERx study demonstrated that clonal neoantigens are on all tumour cells



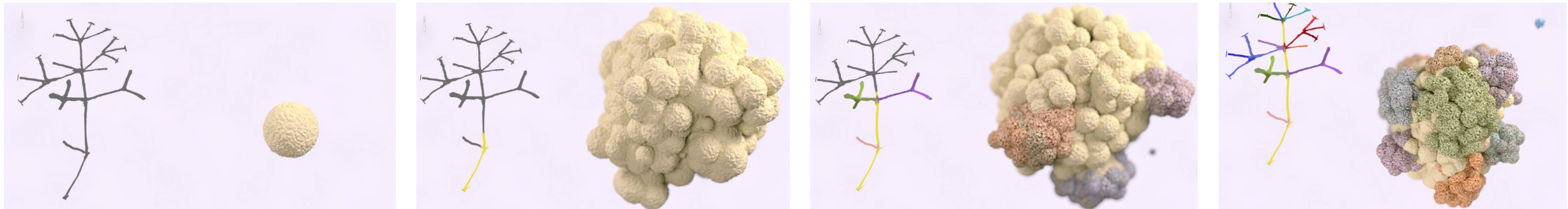
Tumours constantly **evolve** and acquire new **mutations**

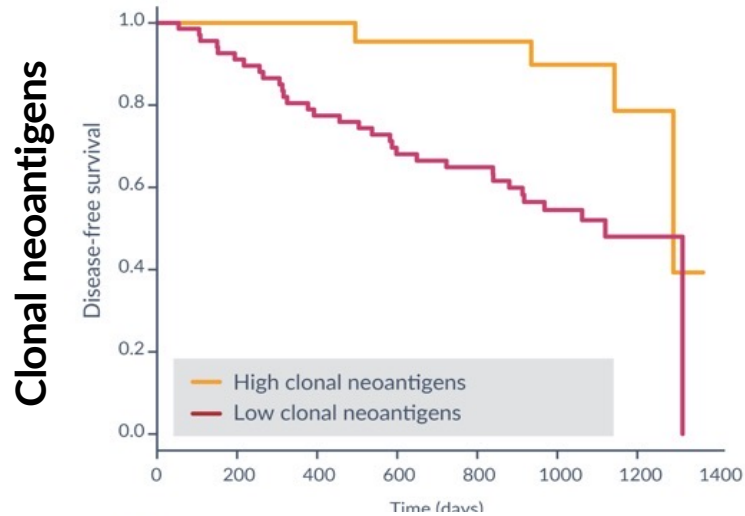
Original, clonal mutations passed down and **remain in all tumour cells**¹⁻⁴

Achilles can **identify clonal mutations** for each patient & target multiple antigens **only on tumour cells**²⁻⁴

TRACERx played a significant role in furthering our understanding of tumour evolution and heterogeneity, revealing the importance of clonal neoantigens as targets for treating solid tumours

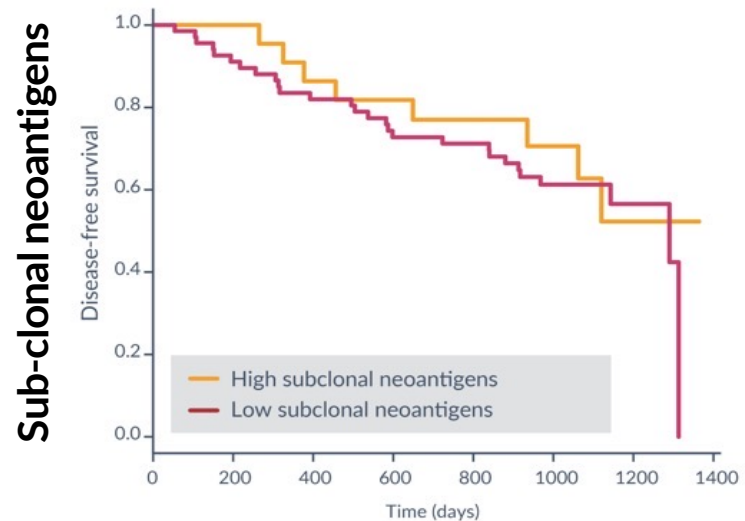
- Clonal mutations occur early in tumour evolution and are present in all tumour cells including metastases¹
 - Clonal neoantigen reactive T cells are found in all tumour regions in NSCLC²
- Subclonal mutations occur later in the tumour evolution and so are found only in a subset of tumour cells
 - Subclonal neoantigens can be detrimental to immune response through subclonal distraction³





Clonality is the driver of disease-free survival

- Patients with high clonal neoantigen burden have an improved disease-free survival
- This is not seen in patients with high sub-clonal neoantigen burden



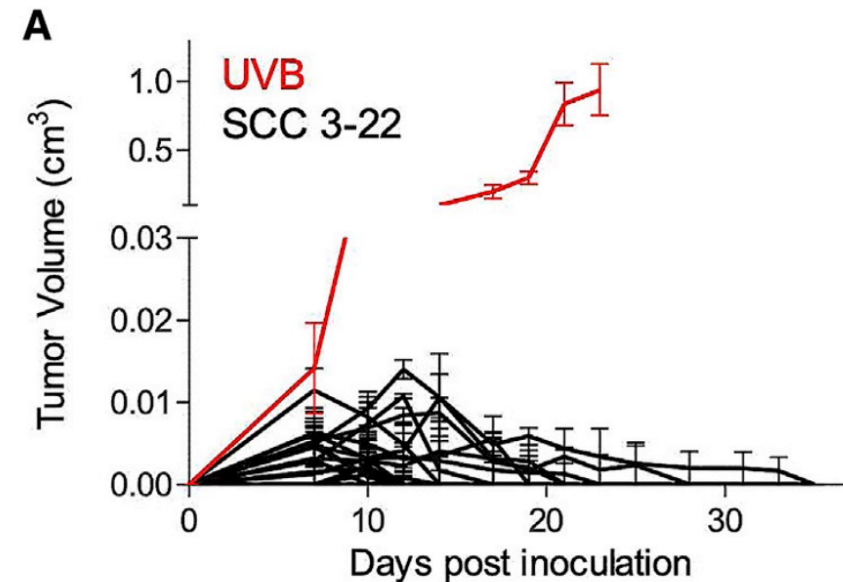
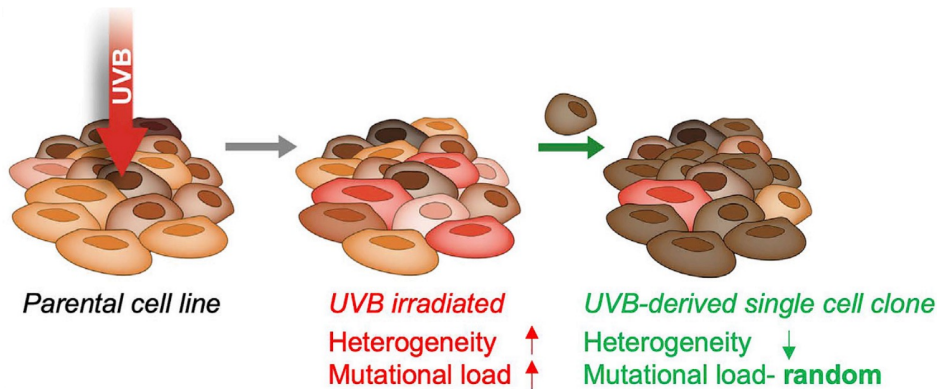
The higher the number of clonal neoantigens, the greater the chance of immune recognition and successful elimination of all cancer cells



UVB-Induced Tumor Heterogeneity Diminishes Immune Response in Melanoma

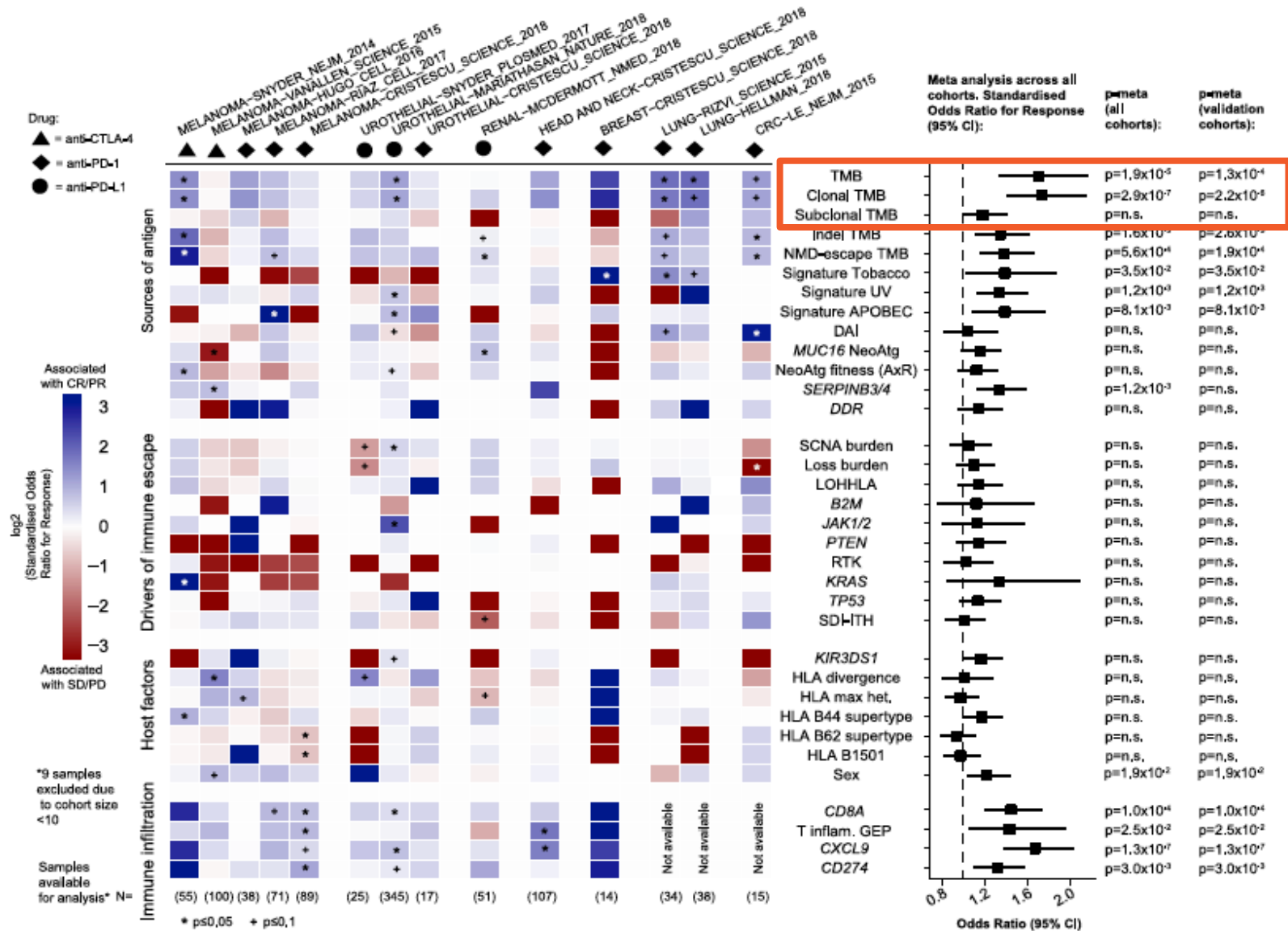


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Clonal but not subclonal mutational burden predicts CPI response

Meta-analysis of CPI response in >1,000 patients across 7 indications

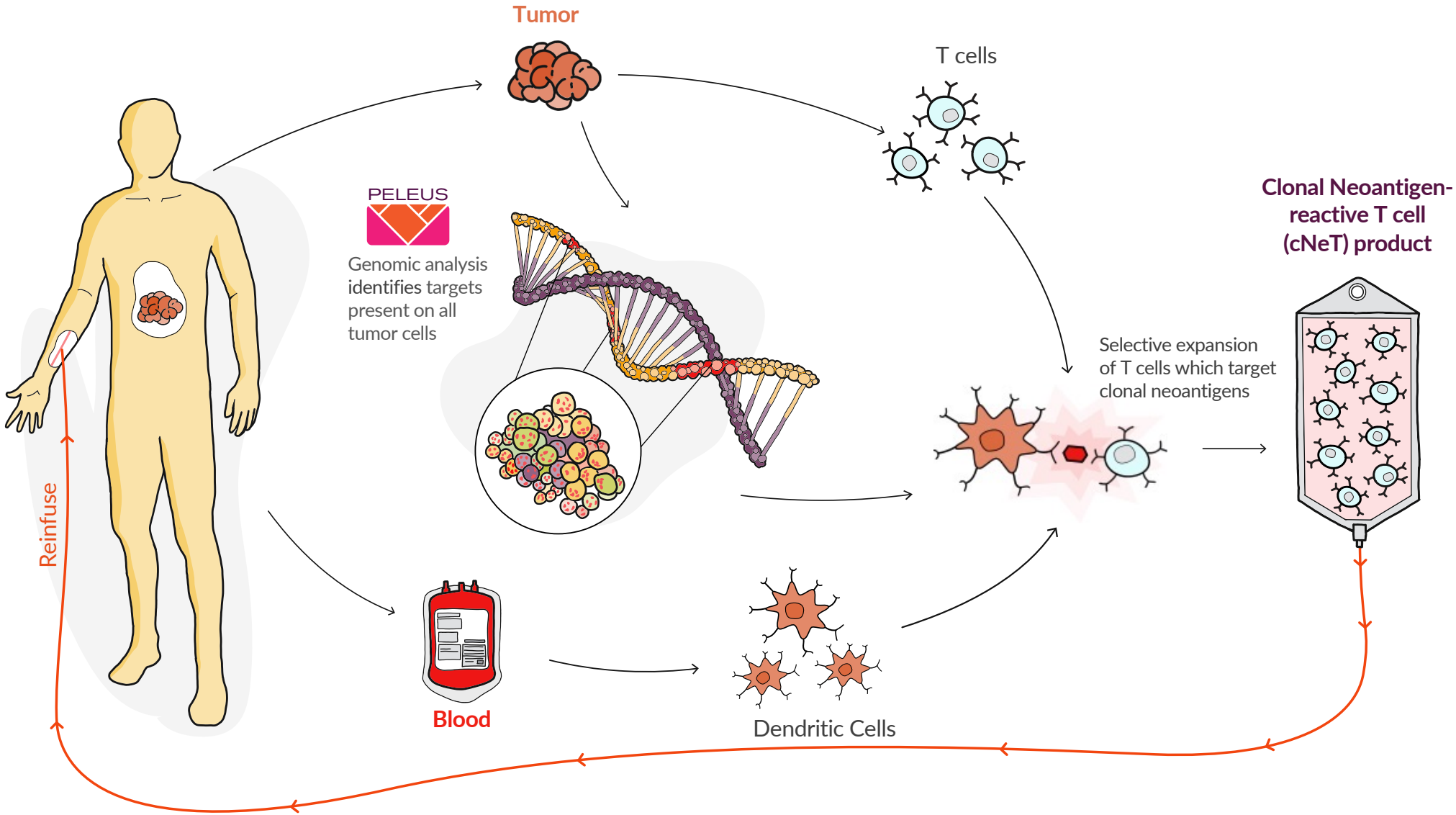


A meta-analysis performed by our scientific founding team (Swanton & Quezada) demonstrated the importance of clonal neoantigens in checkpoint inhibitor (CPI) response across indications:

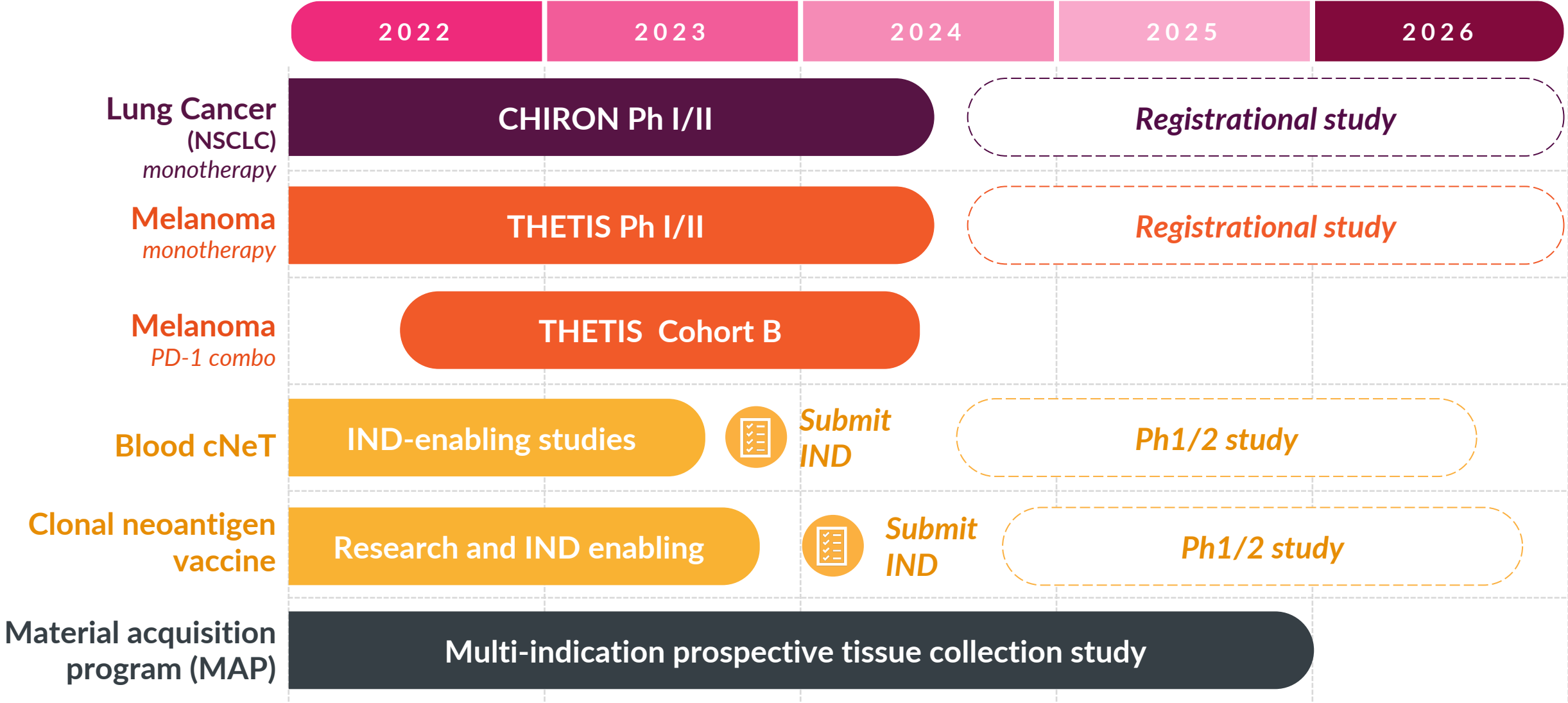
- Melanoma
- Lung
- Renal
- Head & neck
- Breast
- Bladder
- Colorectal

Achilles process delivers precision clonal neoantigen targeting T cell therapy (cNeT)

Cutting edge personalized genomics and machine learning enable targeting of all cancer cells



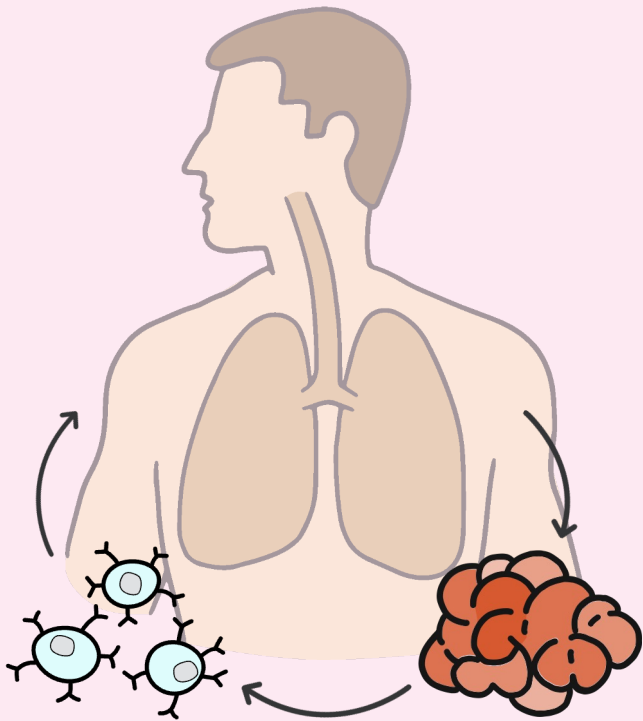
Differentiated pipeline of precision T cell therapies across multiple solid tumours



Delivered emerging proof of concept for cNeT therapy showing durable clinical benefit and encouraging safety and tolerability data ¹



Ph I/II interim clinical data in advanced NSCLC patients Potential for deep, durable clinical responses with reduced lymphodepletion and IL-2

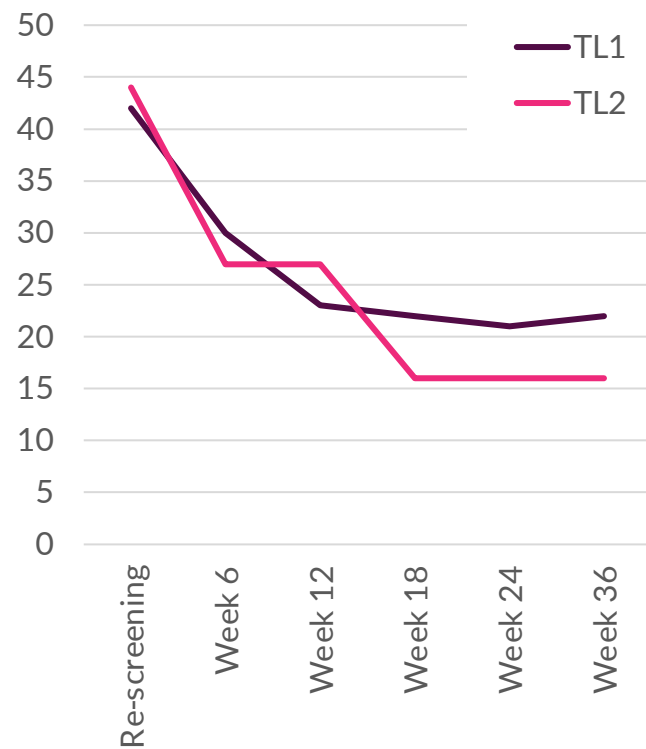


- **Lower dose lymphodepletion and IL-2** and 95% of IL-2 doses well tolerated
- Supports potential for wider applicability of cNeT, including in an ambulatory setting
- **Disease control >12 weeks in 71% patients, including one PR (>36 weeks)**
- Engraftment & cytokine profiles **supportive of cNeT driving anti-tumour activity**
- Active cNeT peak expansion at day 21 coincides with peak in IL-6 (marker of activity)

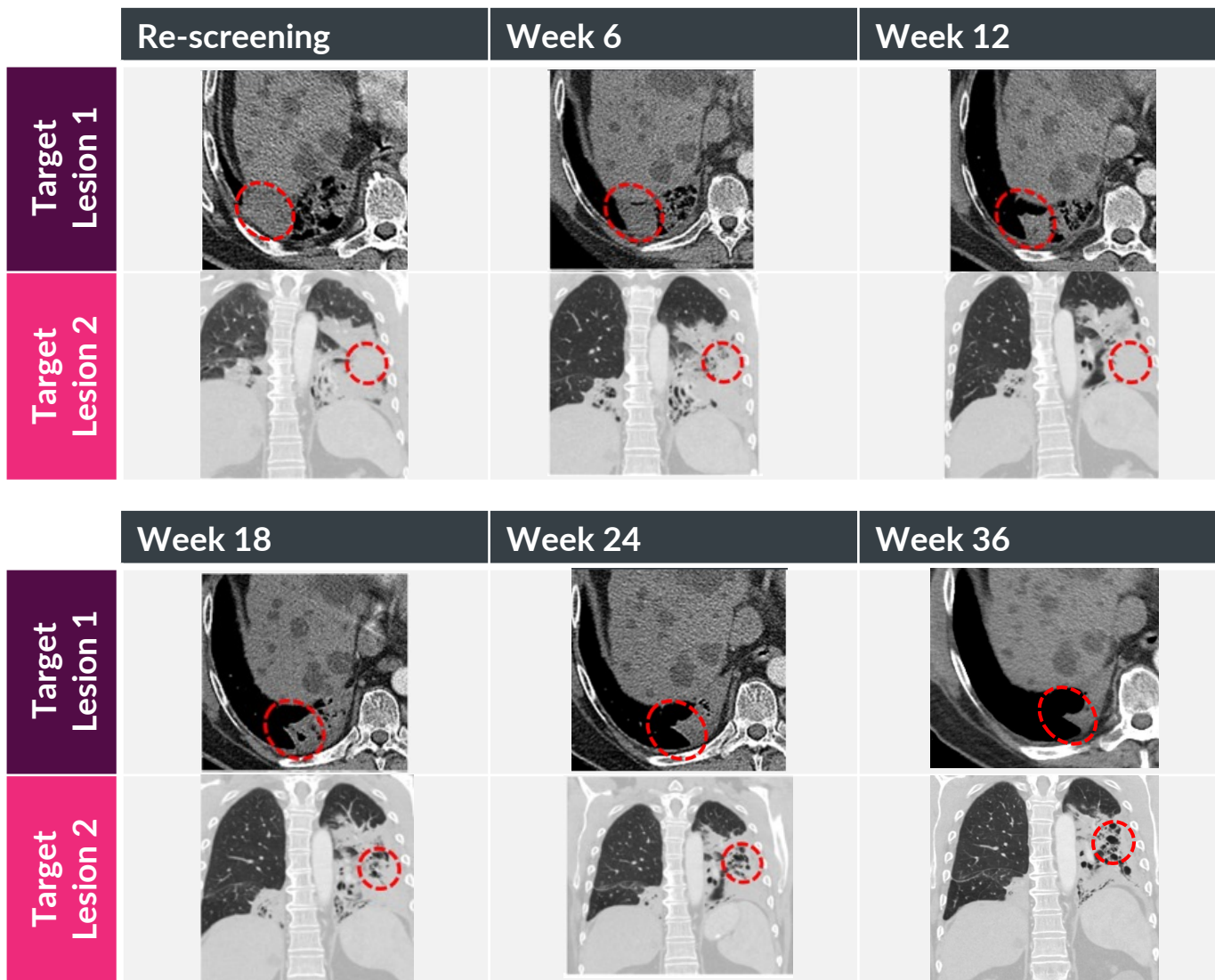
Patient C-17: 56% reduction in total target lesion size vs. baseline at week 36



Target lesion (TL) size¹
mm, C-17



Total target lesion **reduction of 56%** at week 36,
with a **64% reduction** in Target Lesion 2





World-leading, bioinformatics platform

Patented clonal neoantigen identification



PELEUS is the only platform using multi-region analysis and the only method to accurately identify clonals¹

Proprietary AI and machine learning for validated prediction of target immunogenicity

Platform prioritizes antigens for a polyfunctional response to minimize immune evasion²

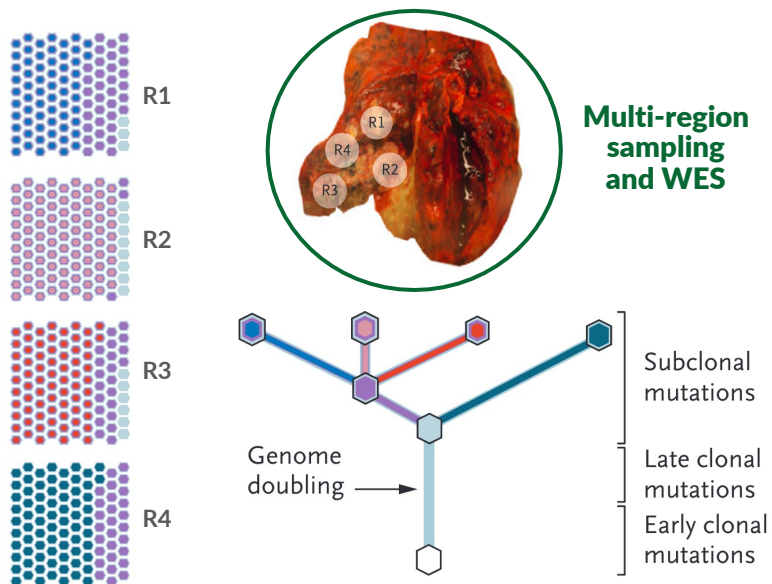
Only Achilles has capability to accurately identify clonals from multi-region sequencing



TRACER_x

The TRACER_x consortium established the **importance of multi-region sampling for identifying true clonals** by manually mapping the evolution of each patient's tumour

“Without multi-region whole-exome sequencing, 76% of subclonal mutations could have appeared to be clonal”



PELEUS™

Achilles Therapeutics has developed an **automated Bayesian model to infer clonality from multiple tumour samples and avoid clonal illusion** without the need for manual curation

Informed and validated against TRACER_x

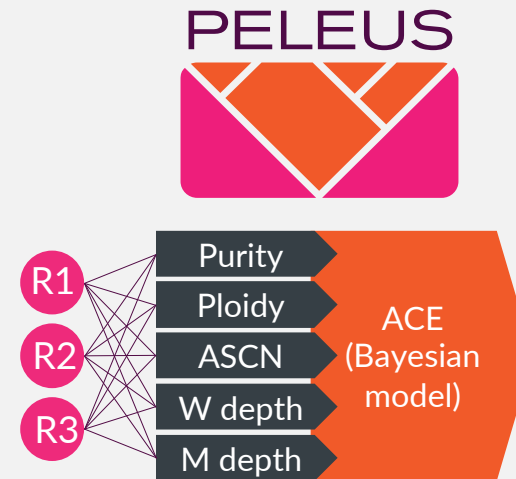
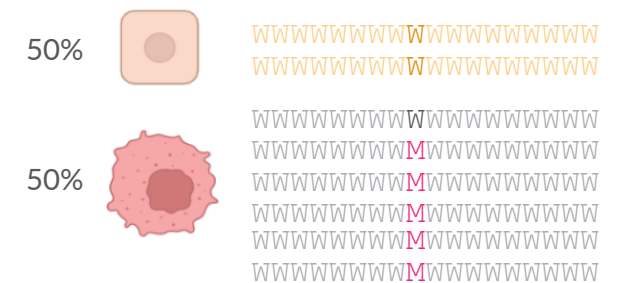


Illustration: Sub-clonal mutation followed by amplification

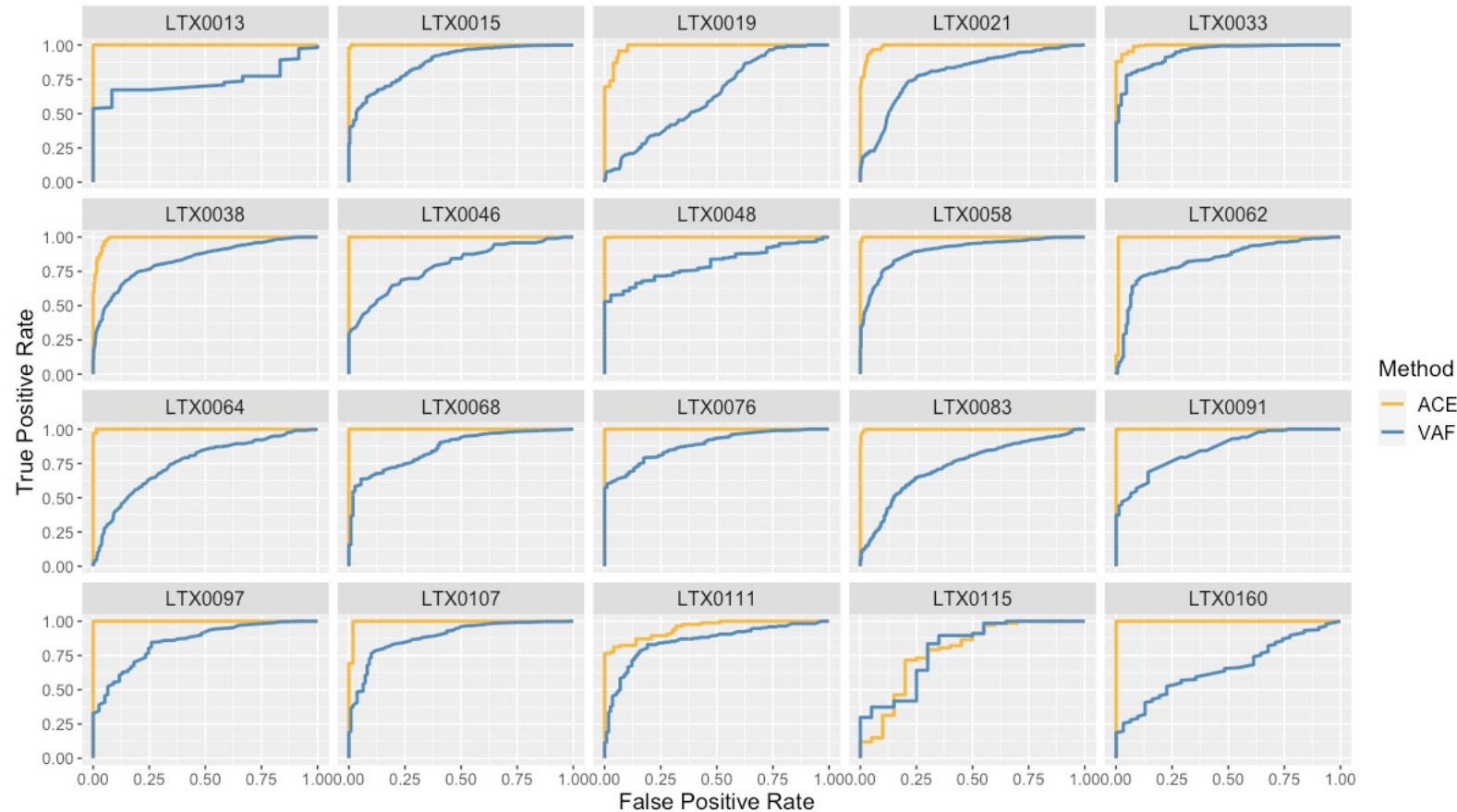


Other methods such as VAF may mistake this for a clonal mutation

Multi region PELEUS™ clonality ranking substantially outperforms single region VAF method



TRACERx clonality ranking benchmark (n=20 TRACERx patients, 2-7 regions per patient)



PELEUS performance is consistent across varying levels of mutation burden and ITH

ROC AUC

	VAF	PELEUS
Mean	0.78	0.98
Standard Dev	0.16	0.05

ROC AUC measures skill to rank clonal neoantigens ahead of sub clonal neoantigens

- VAF gets this right 3.5 times for every 1 mistake, on average
- PELEUS gets this right 49 times for every 1 mistake, on average
- PELEUS performance is highly consistent across different patients

PELEUS target lists are consistently highly clonal across different patient tumour clonal architectures

Real-world cancer patient immunogenicity data is the foundation of our model



>80 patients

>10,000 clonal neoantigens screened

>500 memory responses

Patient samples
5 indications from material acquisition program & trials

Culture TIL or memory cells from blood

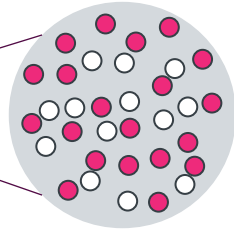
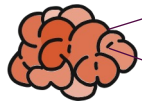
Synthesise clonal neoantigen peptides and **enrich the T cells**

Expand the reactive cells and re-stimulate

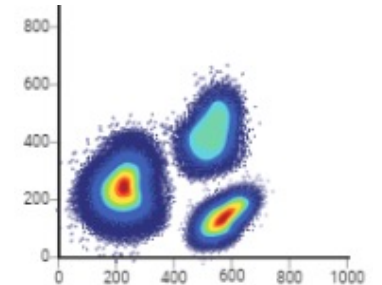
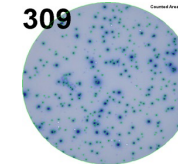
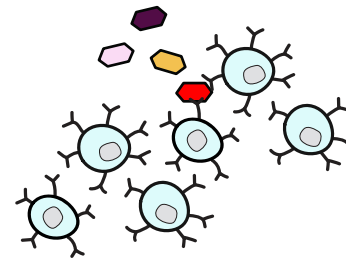
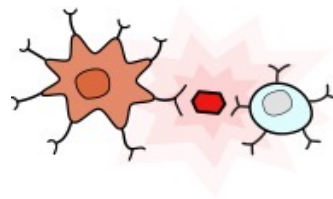
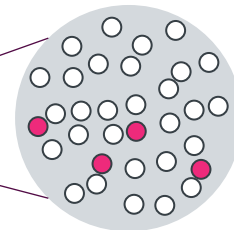
Validate immunogenicity

Characterise T cells

Tumours



Peripheral blood samples



Benefits of our platform

TIL or circulating specific cells are **more relevant than viral datasets**

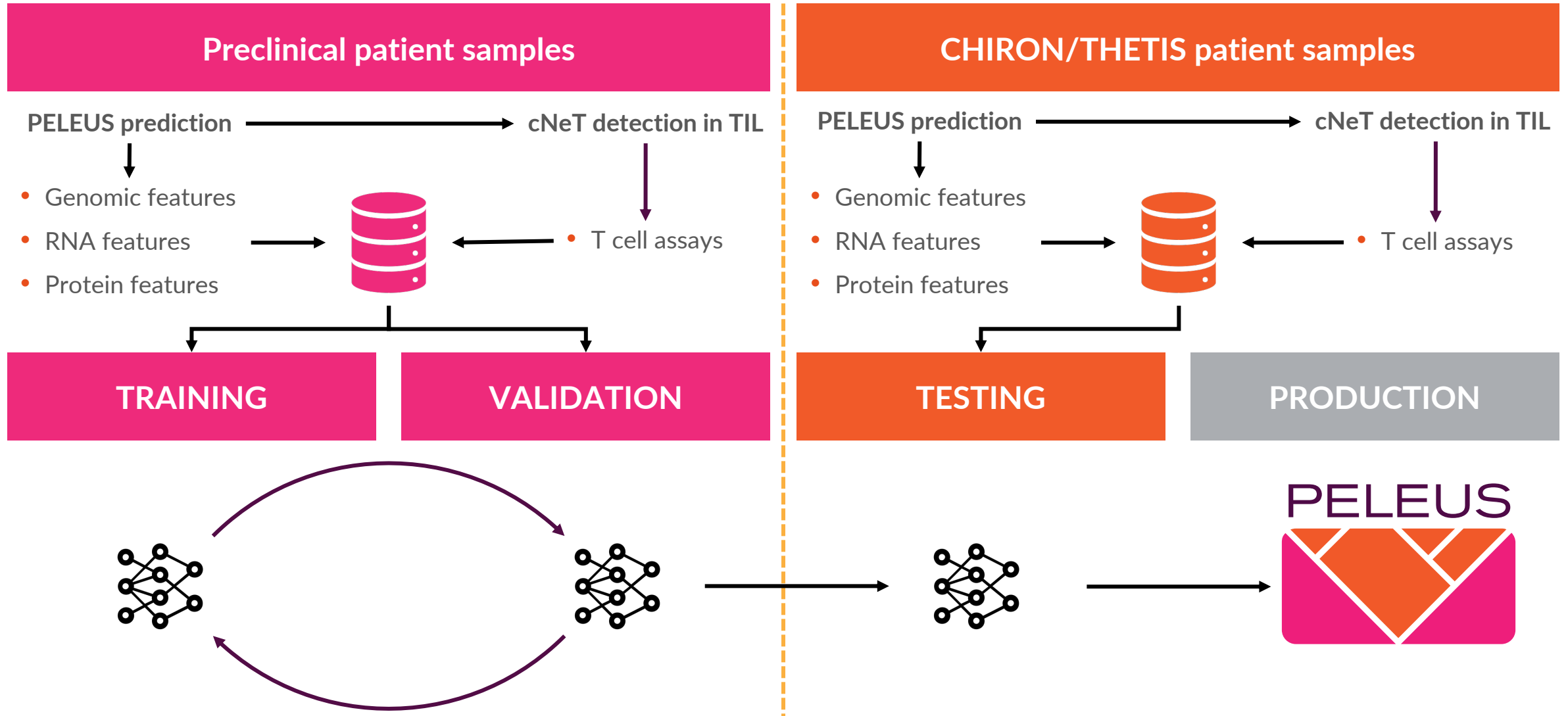
Up to 200 peptides per patient provides enormous **breadth across the mutations with minimal bias**

Enrichment improves **sensitivity of detection**

ELISpot detects non-immunogenic and **immunogenic neoantigens** to feed into our model

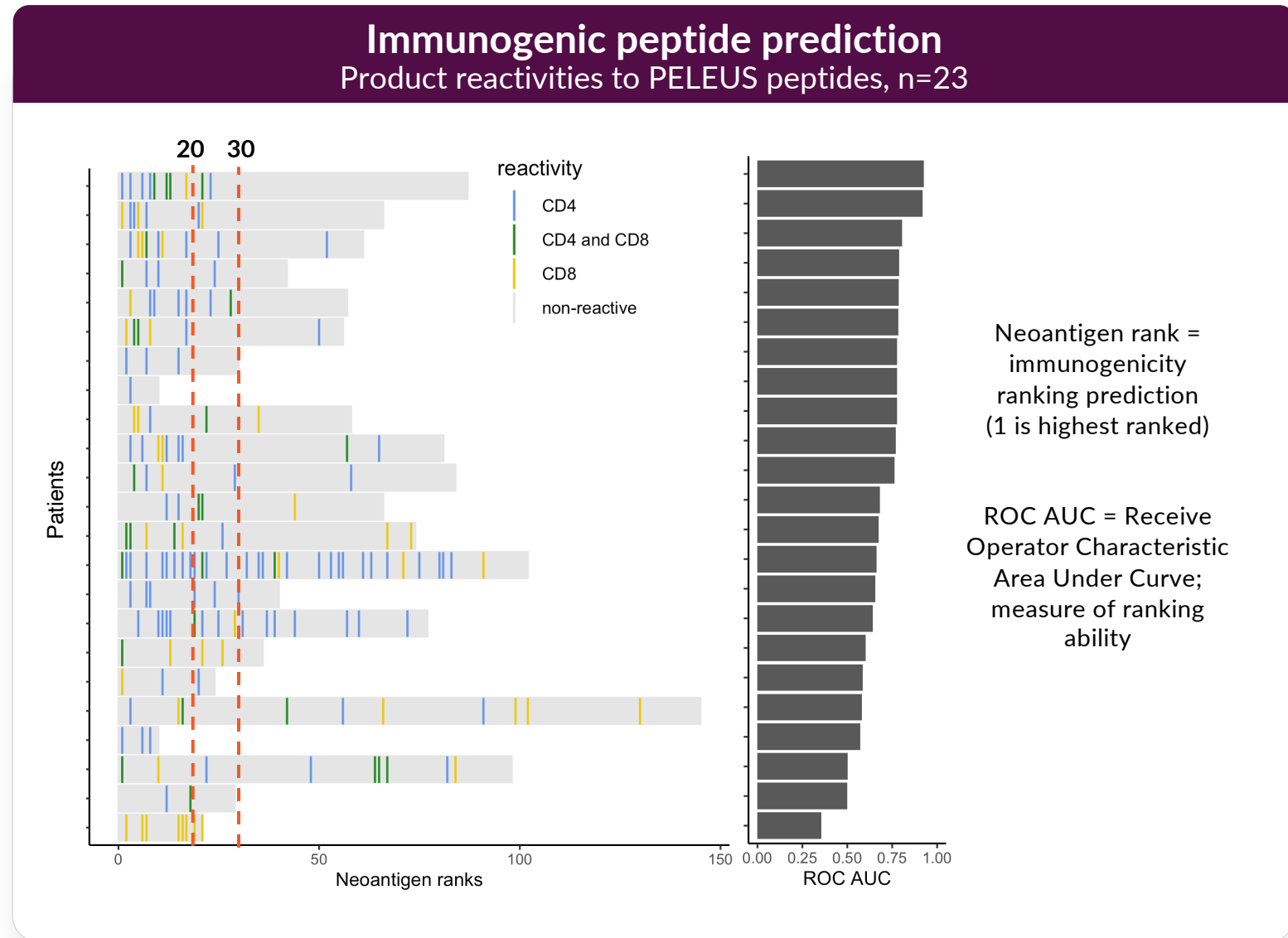
Characterisation of CD4/CD8 using a second assay with flow cytometry provides **confirmation of hits**

Developing an AI tool to enhance PELEUS™ capability to prioritise immunogenic neoantigens





- **Novel AI tool** trained with TIL-derived immunogenicity data predicts both **CD8+ and CD4+ responses** to clonal neoantigens
- Reactivity screens use **up to 200 peptides per patient** creating a sizeable and unbiased dataset for training
- **59% of reactivities** are found in the **top 20 ranked peptides** with a mean of 4.3 (range 1-10) per patient
- **72% of reactivities** are found in the **top 30 ranked peptides** with a mean of 5.4 (range 1-13) per patient

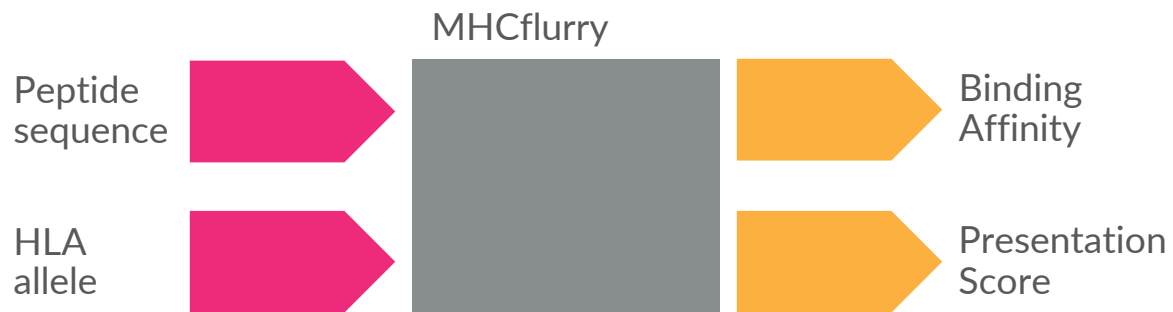
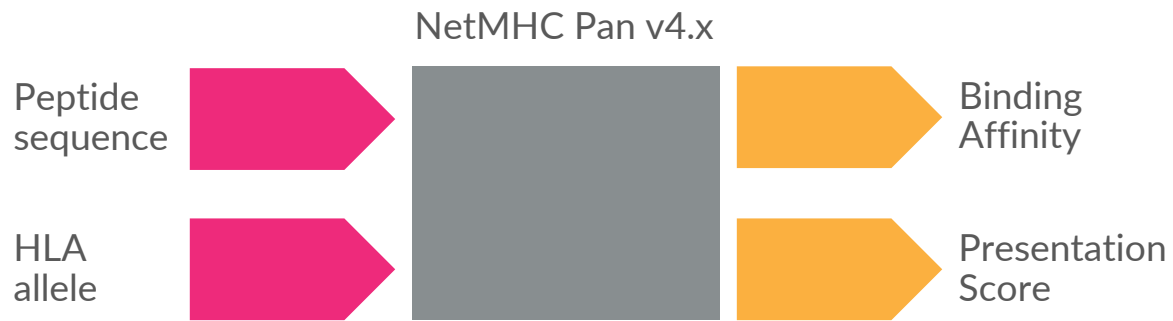


Benchmarking against representative methods used in the field



Methods trained to predict antigen binding and presentation
(Public data HLA – antigen binding affinity / immunopeptidome eluted ligand data, viral antigens, TAA)

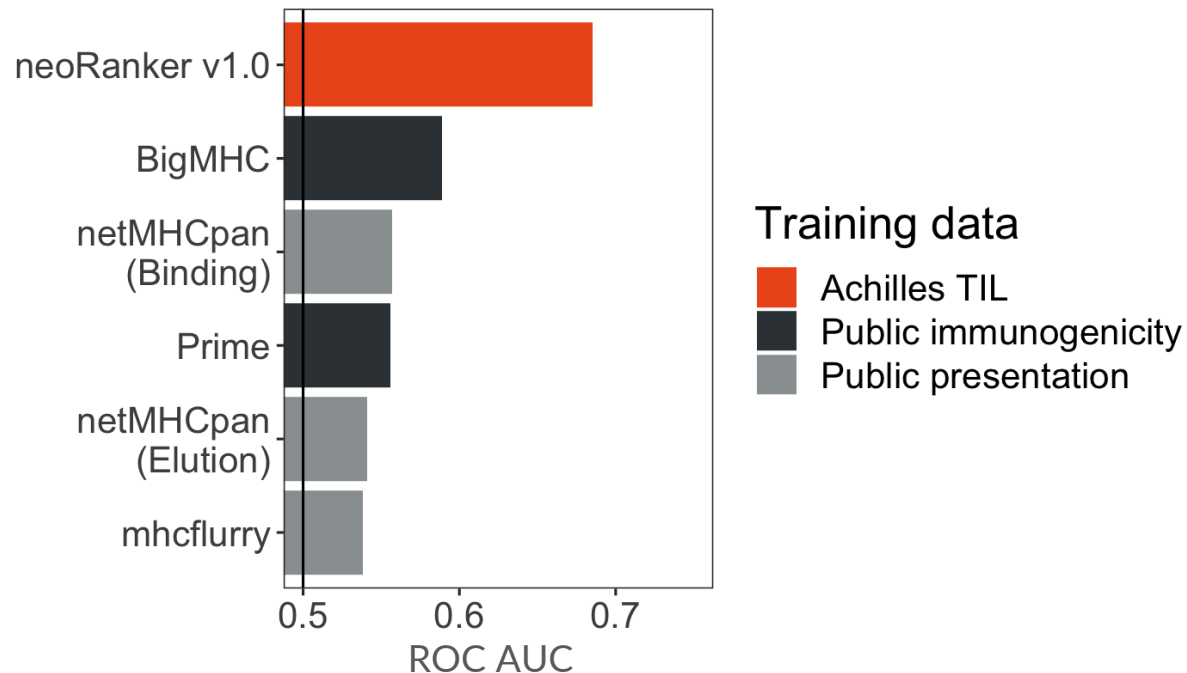
Methods employing transfer learning to fine tune a binding/presentation model to predict immunogenicity
(TAA and neopeptide immunogenicity)





Immunogenicity ranking benchmark

Validation dataset of TIL derived *bona fide* neoantigen T cell reactivities
(patients = 21, true positives = 166)



- Our unique training dataset is proprietary whilst competitor tools rely on limited public databases
- Achilles outperforms competition and is at least **50% better than BigMHC** and **73% better than NetMHC** as measured by ROC AUC
- **Potential to further improve ranking ability**



Data

- Collect more data
- Refinement of existing data
- Higher throughput assays
- Alternative data streams

Models

- Error analysis
- New feature engineering
- More flexible models
- Transfer learning

Biology

- Incorporate domain knowledge
- Broadening definition of reactivity
- Clinical validation in clinical trials
- Ability to predict *de novo* priming

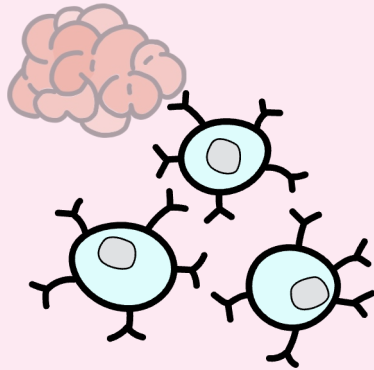
Clonal neoantigens can be targeted with a range of therapeutic modalities



Current Achilles approach

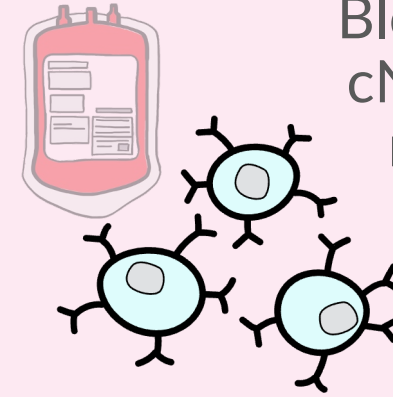
TIL-based cNeT

Clinically validated across multiple solid tumour settings



Blood-based cNeT

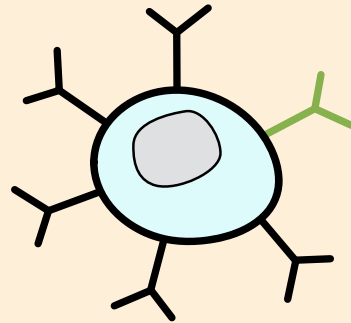
Blood as source of cNeT, without the need for surgery



Alternative modalities

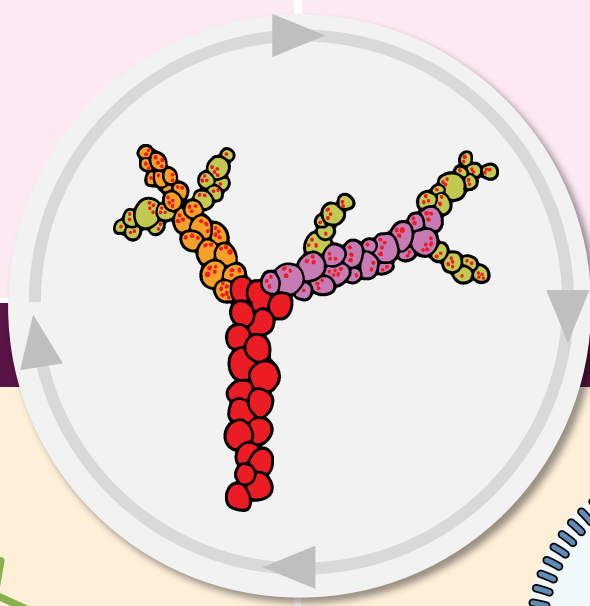
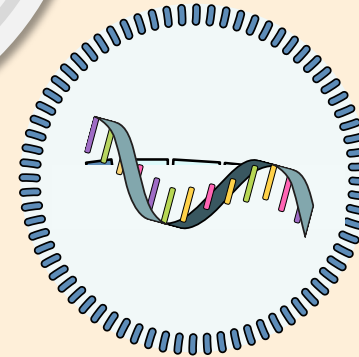
TCR-therapy

T cells engineered with receptors that target shared neoantigens



Clonal neoantigen vaccines

mRNA vaccines using highly immunogenic clonal neoantigens to improve efficacy





Clinical



Dose & **deliver data from 15-20 additional patients** with cNeT monotherapy (lung & melanoma) and CPI combo (melanoma)

Drive additional confirmed responses in CHIRON and THETIS patients with higher cNeT doses

Translational



Leverage world-class translational science platform to define actionable cNeT features of response

Process



Continue **PELEUS™** and **process development** to optimize dose and **identify new sources of clonal neoantigens**



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