



European Society for Blood and Marrow Transplantation

# Cellular Therapy & Immunobiology Working Party

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## Mission Statement of CTIWP

To understand the immunological events occurring upon haematopoietic stem cell transplantation and to implement cellular therapy approaches to improve transplantation outcomes

**Actions to be implemented:**

- Promote retrospective and prospective trials of cell/gene therapy
- Map GMP facilities spread in Europe
- Improve EBMT Registry, with a dedicated registry for cellular products, and clinical trials of cell and cell-based gene therapy
- Implement EBMT Cellular Repository for Cell/gene therapy clinical trials
- Promote partnerships with the International and European Societies of Cell/Gene Therapy and with major investors in the field

## Non-Interventional Prospective Studies

### NK Cell Allo-Reactivity

The role of donor vs. recipient NK cell allo-reactivity in haploidentical hematopoietic transplantation for AML and ALL

PI's: A. Velardi, L. Ruggeri

Donor-versus-recipient NK cell allo-reactivity is a key therapeutic element in the success of HLA haplotype mismatched ("haploidentical") hematopoietic stem cell transplants for acute myeloid leukemia. The role of NK cell allo-reactivity will be assessed separately in T cell depleted and T cell replete transplants in patients with 1) AML or ALL in any remission; and 2) AML or ALL in chemo-resistant relapse.

Aim: to collect **200 patients**  
 Collaborating WP's: PDWP-ALWP

**Update March 2015**

- Participating centers: N=17
- Cohort: 94 patients from 7 centers
- MED-B forms completed: N=49
- MED-C forms completed: N=40

**Final request for participation is sent in March 2015.**  
**Center participation forms available at the EBMT booth.**

### Thymic Function

Recipient pretransplant thymic function as a biomarker of transplant outcome after allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation (allo-HSCT) given for primary ALL and AML

PI: A. Toubert

The primary aim of this study is to evaluate the impact of pretransplant thymic function on disease relapse and relapse-free survival in patients who undergo allo-HSCT in European Centers. The final goal of the study would be to assess whether recipient pre-transplant TREC (T-cell receptor excision circles) could be a useful prognostic biomarker in allo-HSCT and in which groups of patients.

Aim: to collect **800 patients**  
 Collaborating WP's: PDWP-ALWP

**Update March 2015**

- Registered centers: N=24
- Expected number of inclusions: N≈800-1200
- Cohort: 2 patients from 24 centers

**Participating centers, please include your patients**

## Retrospective Studies

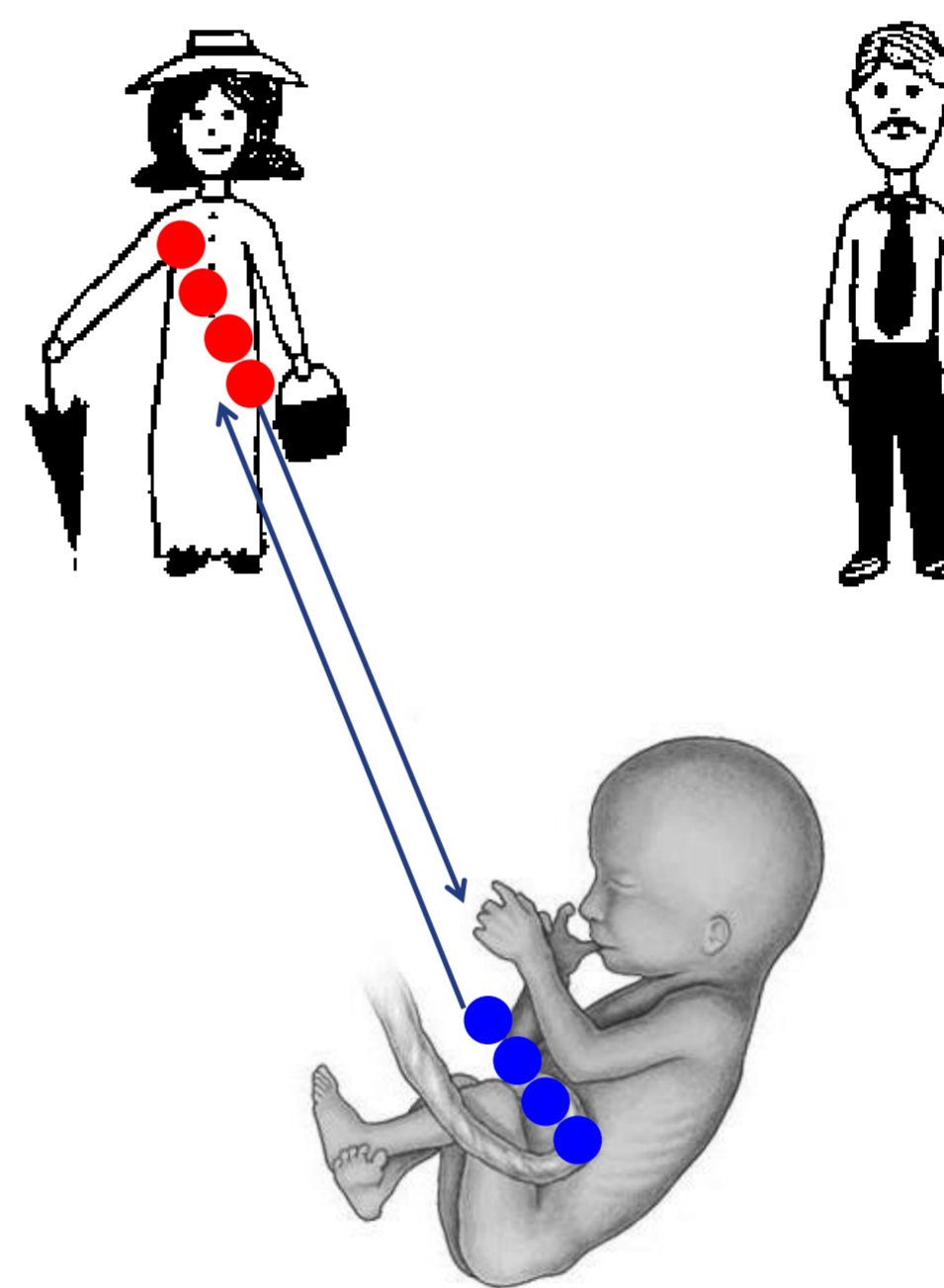
### Two Combined Studies

These studies are combined within one questionnaire.  
 The MED-C/additional information is queried through a web based questionnaire.

The role of parent/child and sibling/sibling immune interactions (Inherited Paternal vs Non-inherited Maternal Antigens) in clinical outcomes after haploidentical transplantation for leukemia under diverse protocols

PI's: J.J. van Rood, F.H.J. Claas, M. Oudshoorn, D. Roelen, A. Velardi

Mother IMA/NIMA      Father IPA/NIPA



**NIMA** = non inherited maternal antigens  
**NIPA** = non inherited paternal antigens  
**IMA** = inherited maternal antigens  
**IPA** = inherited paternal antigens

Patient IMA/IPA

#### Example web based questionnaire

IMMUNE RECONSTITUTION AT 3 MONTHS

PLEASE NOTE THE HIGHEST:

Number of CD3+ T cells between day 60 and day 90 after transplantation

CD3+ Unit (cells/microL)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not evaluated	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown
Date (yyyy-mm-dd)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Number of CD4+ T cells between day 60 and day 90 after transplantation

CD4+ Unit (cells/microL)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not evaluated	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown
Date (yyyy-mm-dd)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Identifying immunological biomarkers predicting clinical outcome after haploidentical stem cell transplantation under diverse protocols

PI's: A. Bondanza, C. Bonini, A. Toubert, A. Velardi

Collaborating WP's: PDWP-ALWP

**Update March 2015**

- Participating centers: N=8
- Cohort: 469 patients from 8 centers
- MED-B completed: N=446
- MED-C completed: N=411
- NetQ completed: N=443
- HLA completed: N=415

**Participating centers, please complete the MED-B/C/NetQ questionnaires**

## Meetings

### EBMT Congress 2015 Istanbul

#### CTIWP Business Meeting

Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 07:00-08:50  
 Room: 3B/12

#### CTIWP Session

Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 13:45-15:15  
 Room: Üsküdar Hall 3

## CTIWP Data Office

For participation in, or information on CTIWP studies, please contact the CTIWP at the EBMT Data Office in Leiden, The Netherlands:

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