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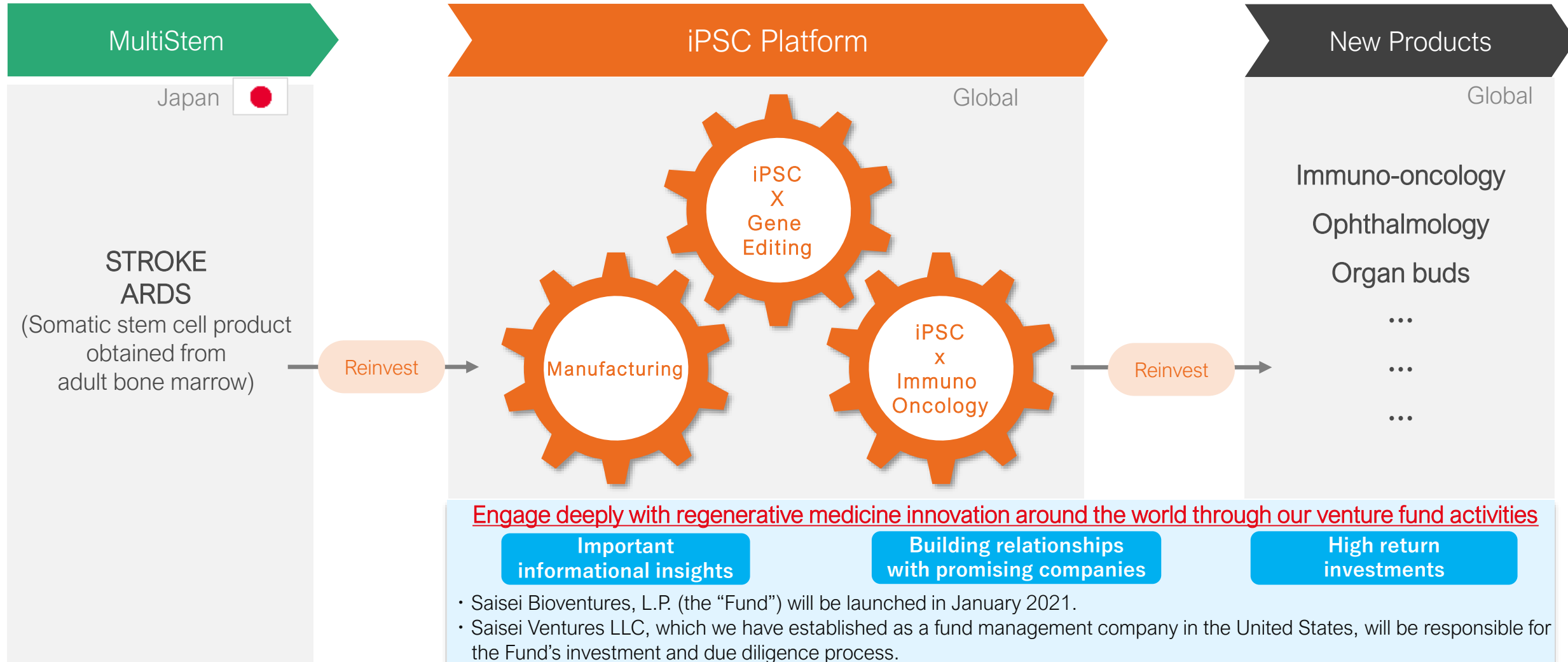
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Generate near term profits in stroke and ARDS indications;

Reinvest profits in our innovative iPSC platform to create next generation therapies for the global market;



Pipeline



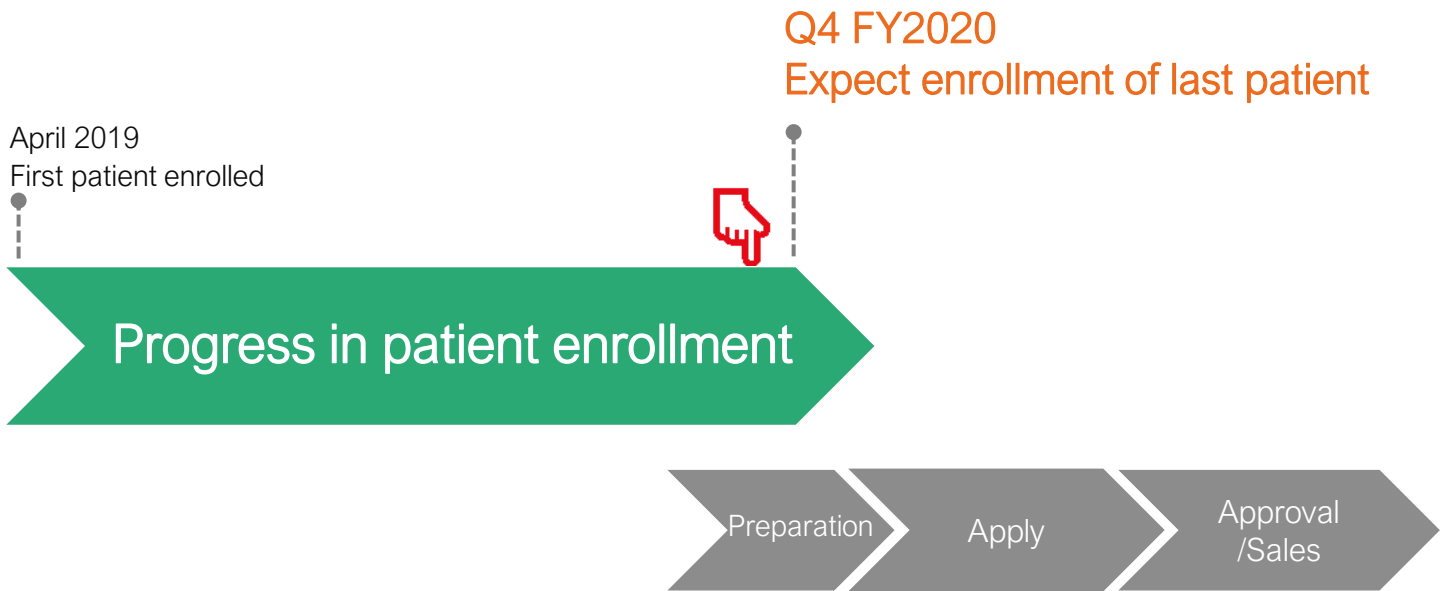
Market	Field	Development Code	Indication	Pre-clinical test	Clinical trial	Apply-approve	On Market	Progress status
Japan	Somatic Stem Cell Regenerative Medicine	HLCM051	Ischemic Stroke					Expect full enrollment of patients in Q4 FY2020
			ARDS					Expect full enrollment of patients in Q4 FY2020
	iPSC Regenerative Medicine	HLCR011	Wet AMD					Undergoing preparation for clinical trial Joint development with Sumitomo Dainippon Pharma
		HLCL041	Metabolic Liver Disease					Joint research with Yokohama City University
		HLCN061	Solid Tumors					Research and development of genetically modified NK cells(*1) Joint research with the National Cancer Center Japan

Market	Field	Development code	Indication	Pre-Clinical test	Phase 1 trial	Phase 2 trial	Phase 3 trial	Apply-approve	On Market	Progress status
US EU	iPSC Regenerative Medicine	HLCR012	Dry AMD							
US		HLCN061	Solid Tumors							Research and development of genetically modified NK cells(*1)

*1) NK Cells : Natural Killer Cells

Ongoing Phase 2 trial for patients with pneumonia induced ARDS in Japan (ONE-BRIDGE study)
Cohort for COVID-19 induced ARDS patients was initiated and full enrollment was completed in August 2020

| Development Plan



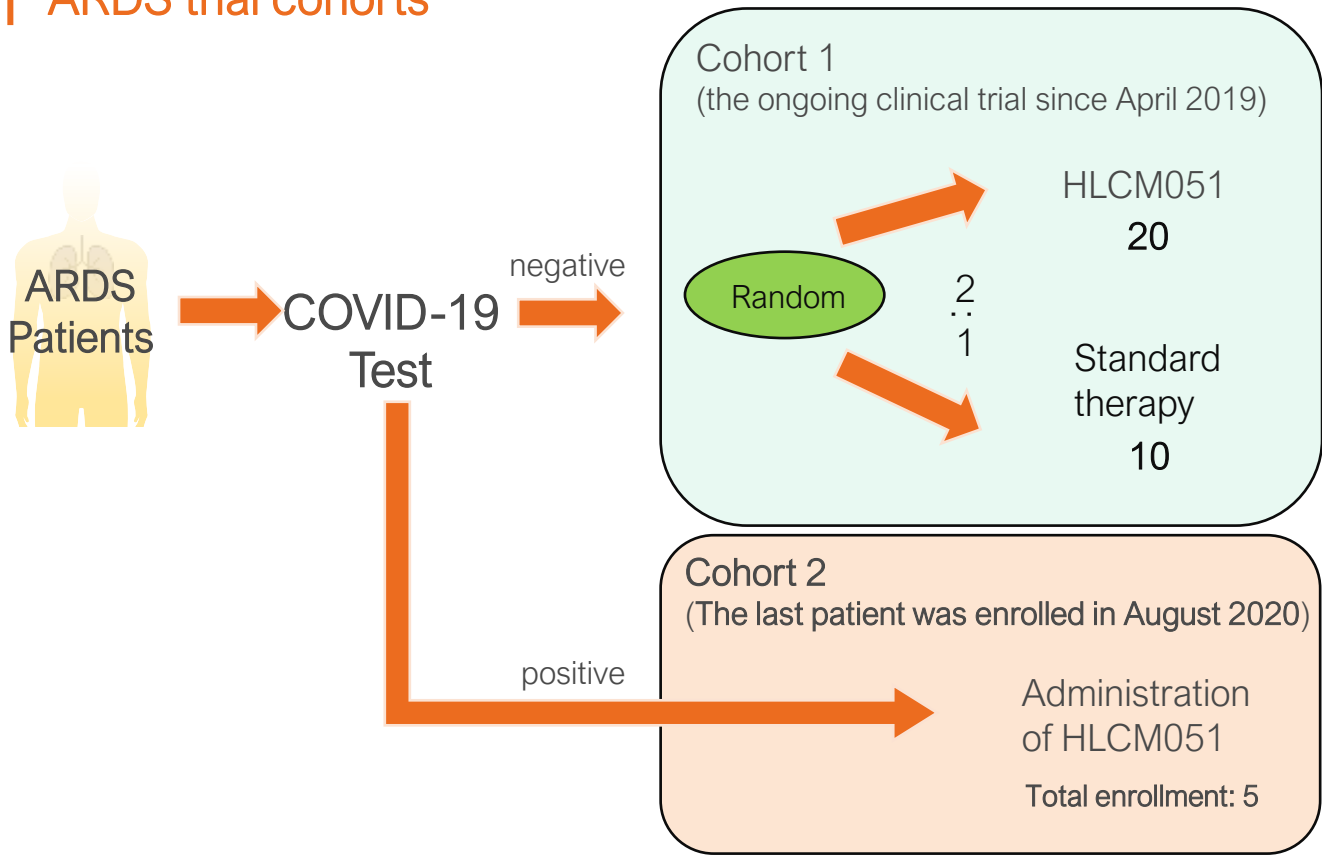
| Overview of ONE-BRIDGE study

Clinical Trial	Efficacy and Safety Study of HLCM051 (MultiStem®) For Pneumonic Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ONE-BRIDGE)
Subjects	Patients with pneumonia induced ARDS
Conditions	Open label, Standard therapy-controlled
Enrollment	30 (HLCM051: 20, Standard therapy: 10) Randomized
Primary Endpoint	The number of days out of 28 in which a ventilator was not used for the patient (i.e. ventilator free days)

HLCM051 has been designated as an orphan regenerative medicine product for use in the treatment of ARDS.

The new group of patients with COVID-19 pneumonia (Cohort 2) is separated from the ongoing treatment group (Cohort 1). The addition of this COVID-19 cohort should not effect the originally planned clinical trial.

| ARDS trial cohorts

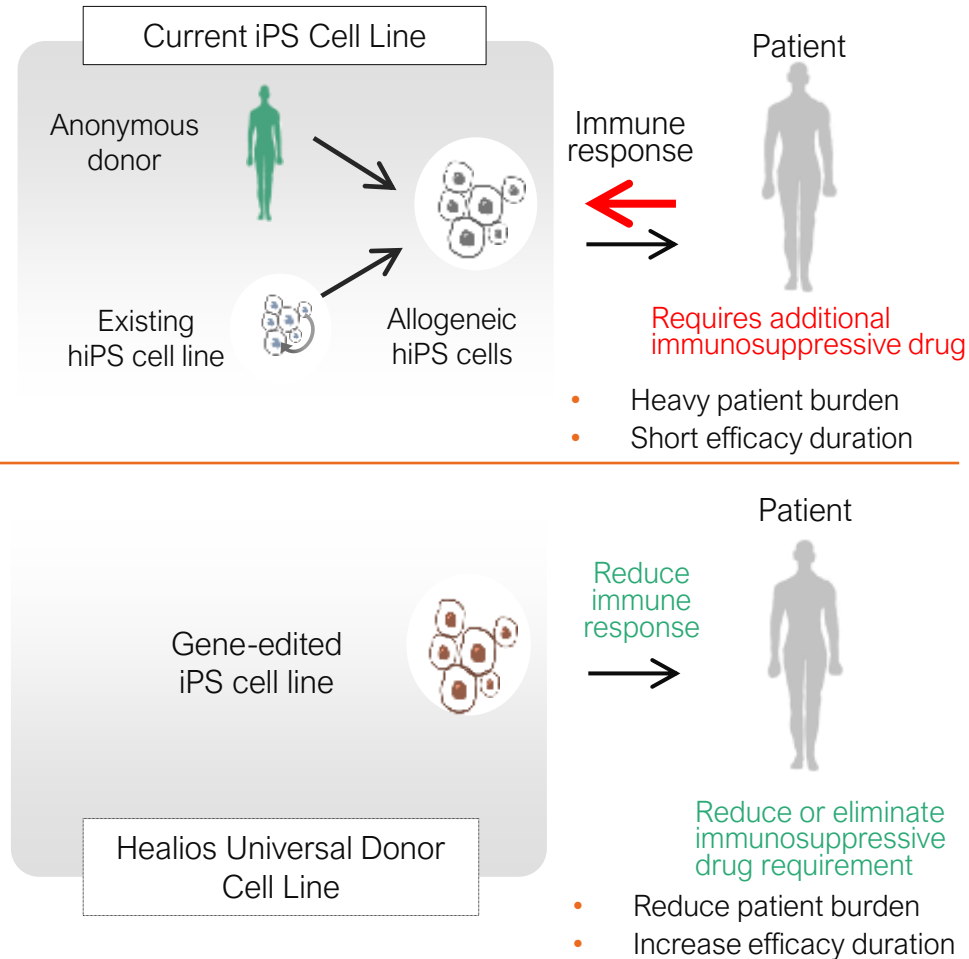


| Overview of the ARDS trial

	Cohort1	Cohort 2
Initiation of the trial	April 2019	Started in April 2020 Enrollment completed in August 2020
Subjects	Patients with pneumonia induced ARDS	Patients with pneumonia-induced ARDS caused by COVID-19
Enrollment	30 (HLCM051: 20, Standard therapy: 10)	Approximately 5 (HLCM051: 5)
Objective	Efficacy and safety evaluation	Safety evaluation

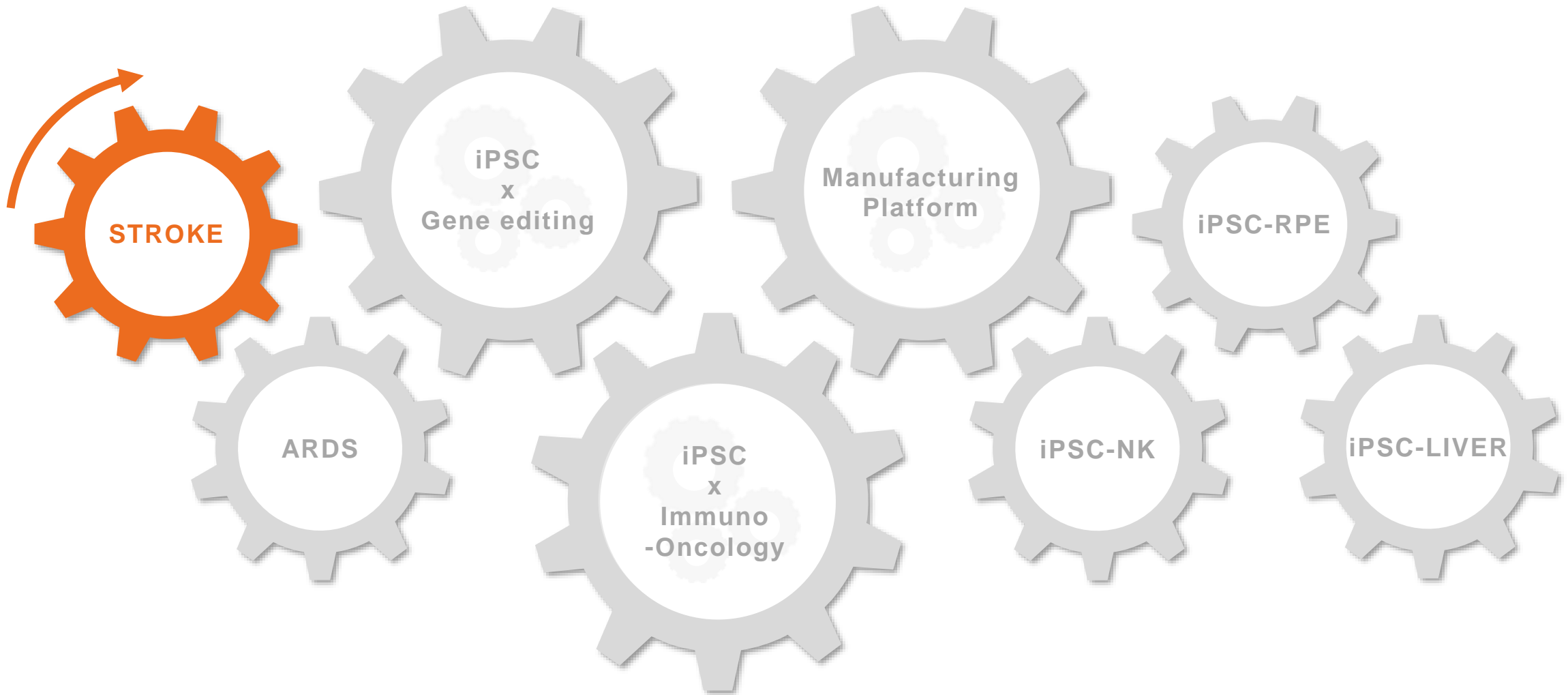
Cohort 2 was conducted at more than 15 facilities in the ONE-BRIDGE trial

Proprietary gene-edited iPSC platform: “Universal Donor Cells”



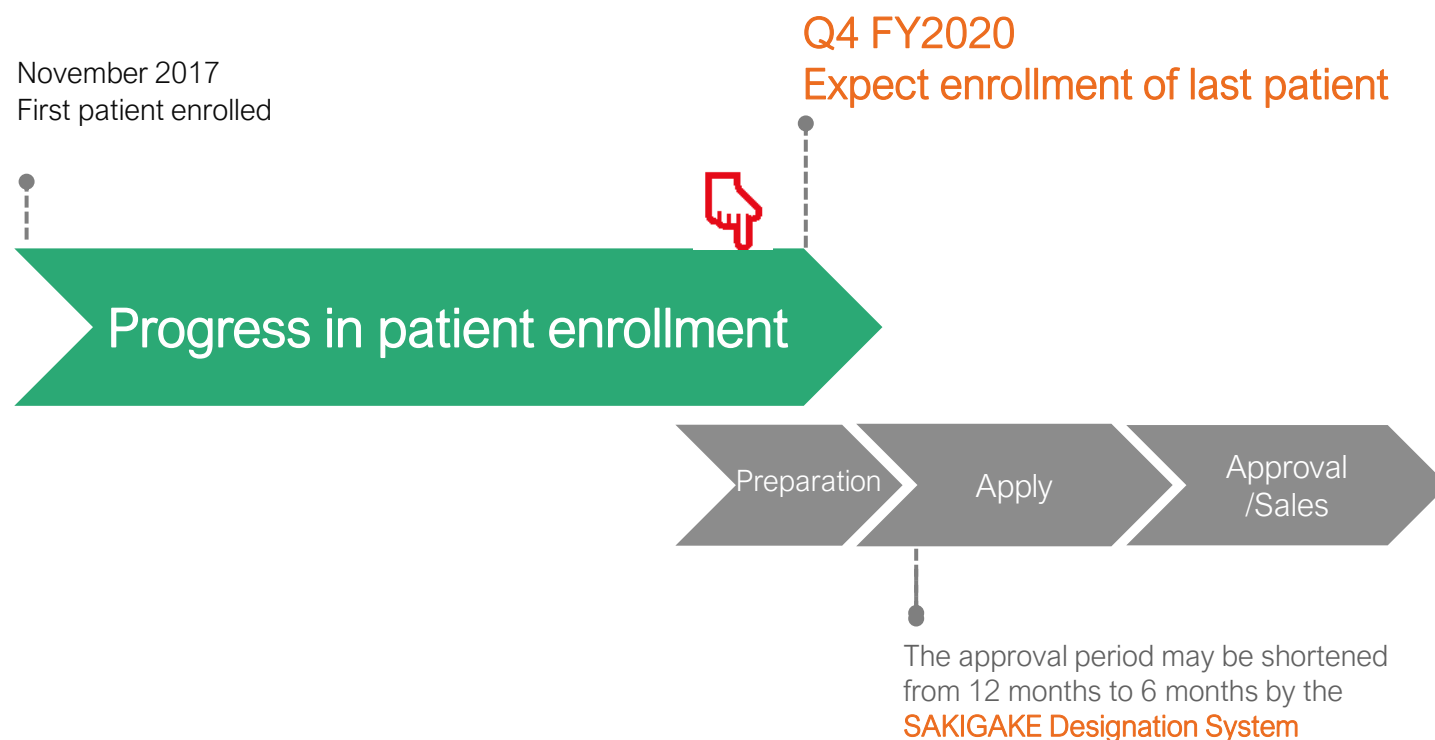
Targeted cell programming through gene editing

- In October 2020, establishment of a clinical grade line that can be clinically applied to humans in each of Japan, the United States and Europe
- Generating hypoimmunogenic human pluripotent stem cells (universal donor cells or UDCs) as a starting material for allogeneic transplantation
- Leading the development of a clinical grade universal donor cell line in accordance with global standards.
- There are no problems with clinical use at present after consulting the FDA and PMDA
- Discussing usage in relation to therapies for various diseases with several companies and academia.



Ongoing Placebo-Controlled, Double-Blind, Phase 2/3 Efficacy and Safety Trial of HLCM051 (MultiStem®) in Patients With Ischemic Stroke

Development Plan



Overview of TREASURE study

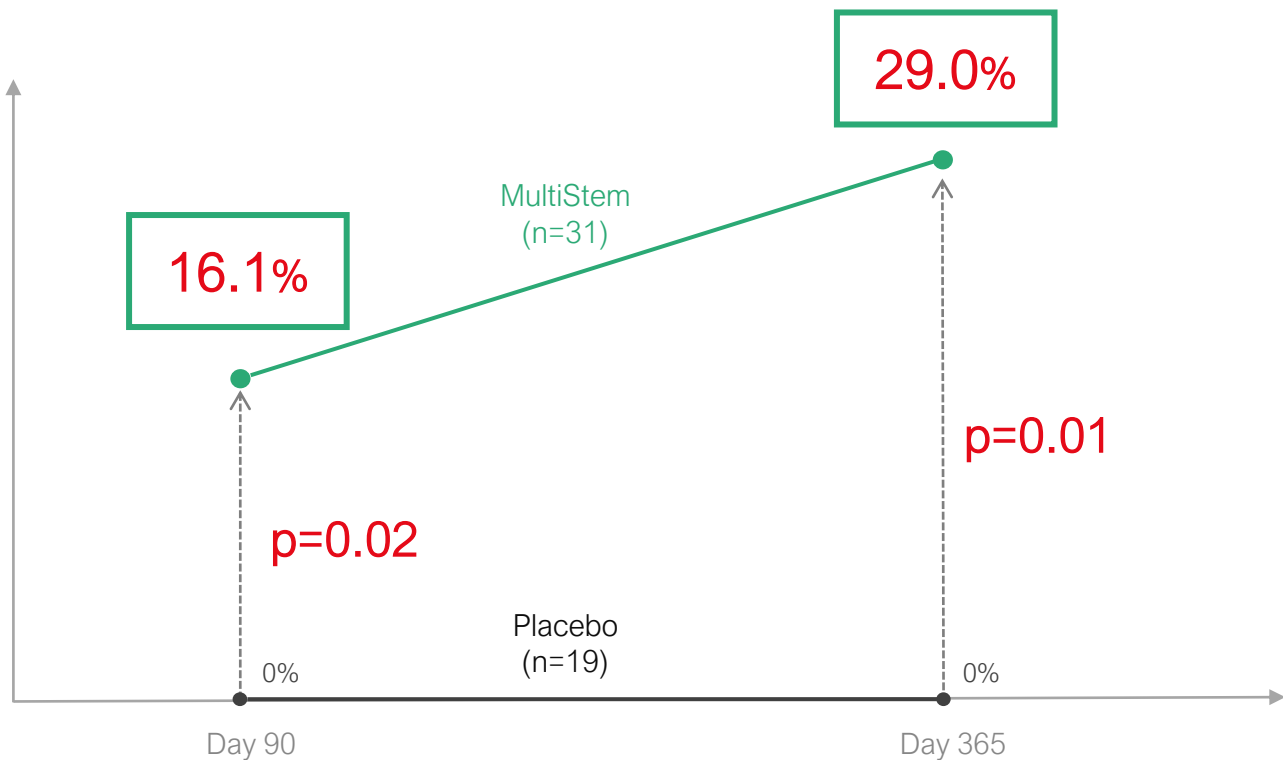
Trial	Placebo-Controlled, Double-Blind, Phase 2/3 Efficacy and Safety Trial of HLCM051 (MultiStem®) in Patients With Ischemic Stroke (TREASURE study)
Subjects	Ischemic stroke within 18 to 36 hours
Conditions	Placebo-Controlled, Double-Blind
Enrollment	220 (HLCM051 [n=110], placebo [n=110], randomized)
Primary Endpoints	Proportion of subjects with an excellent outcome defined by functional assessments [Time Frame: Day 90]

- “Excellent Outcome” is defined as achieving mRS ≤1, NIHSS ≤1, and BI ≥95. mRS, NIHSS, and BI are the three major indices of functional assessment for stroke patients.

The proportion of patients who achieved Excellent Outcome was **statistically significant** in the group of patients who received MultiStem within 36 hours of the onset of cerebral infarction

Analysis of the Double-blind study conducted by Athersys

Overview of the Analysis



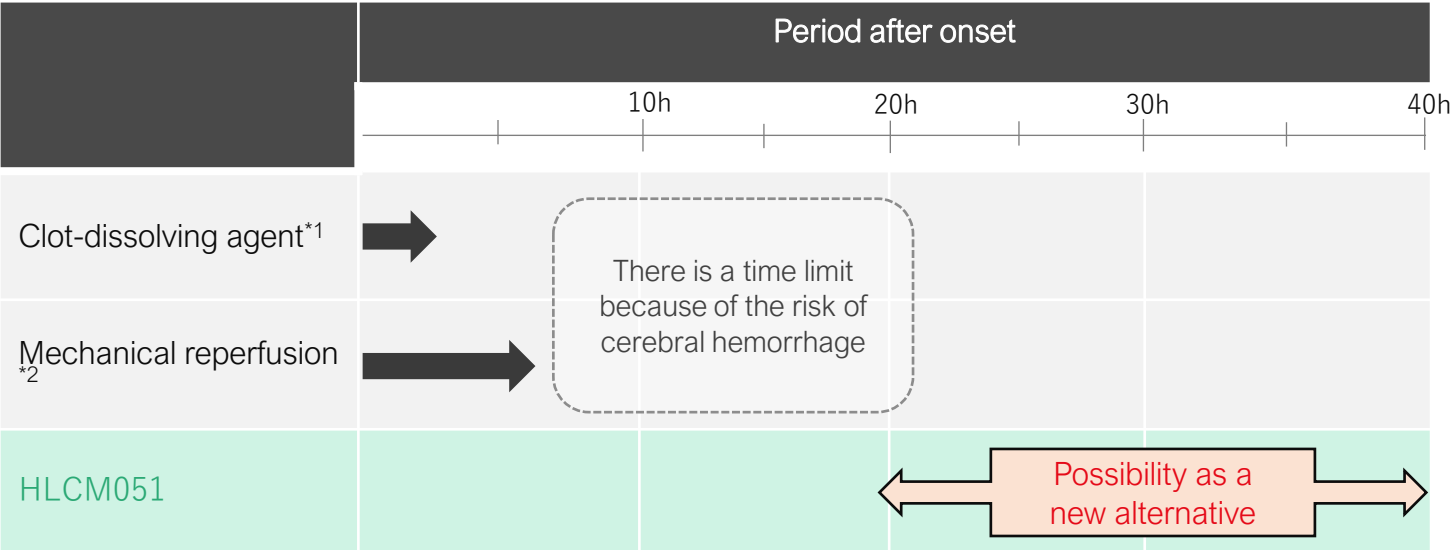
Trial	The placebo-controlled double-blind Phase 2 study conducted by Athersys in the US and the UK (MASTERS study)
Subjects	Administered MultiStem or Placebo within 36 hours of the onset of stroke
Endpoint	Proportion of subjects with an Excellent Outcome on Day 90 and Day 365

*<Excellent Outcome> is defined as mRS score of ≤1 (scale, 0 to 6), NIHSS score of ≤1 (scale, 0 to 42), and BI score of ≥95 (scale, 0 to 100).

(Source) This material was based on *Lancet Neurol.* 2017 May;16(5):360-368; 16 360–68 Supplementary appendix Table 5

Expected development of a new therapy that can be applied in a longer treatment window period following the onset of ischemic stroke (ability to help more patients)

Treatment in Accordance with the Period After Onset



※1 Dissolves blood clots in the brain vessels
※2 Insertion of the catheter into a blood vessel and recovery of the thrombus directly with a wire.

Ischemic Stroke

Ischemic stroke, which represents the most common form of stroke (70 - 75% of cases in Japan), is caused by a blockage of blood flow in the brain that cuts off the supply of oxygen and nutrients, resulting in tissue loss.

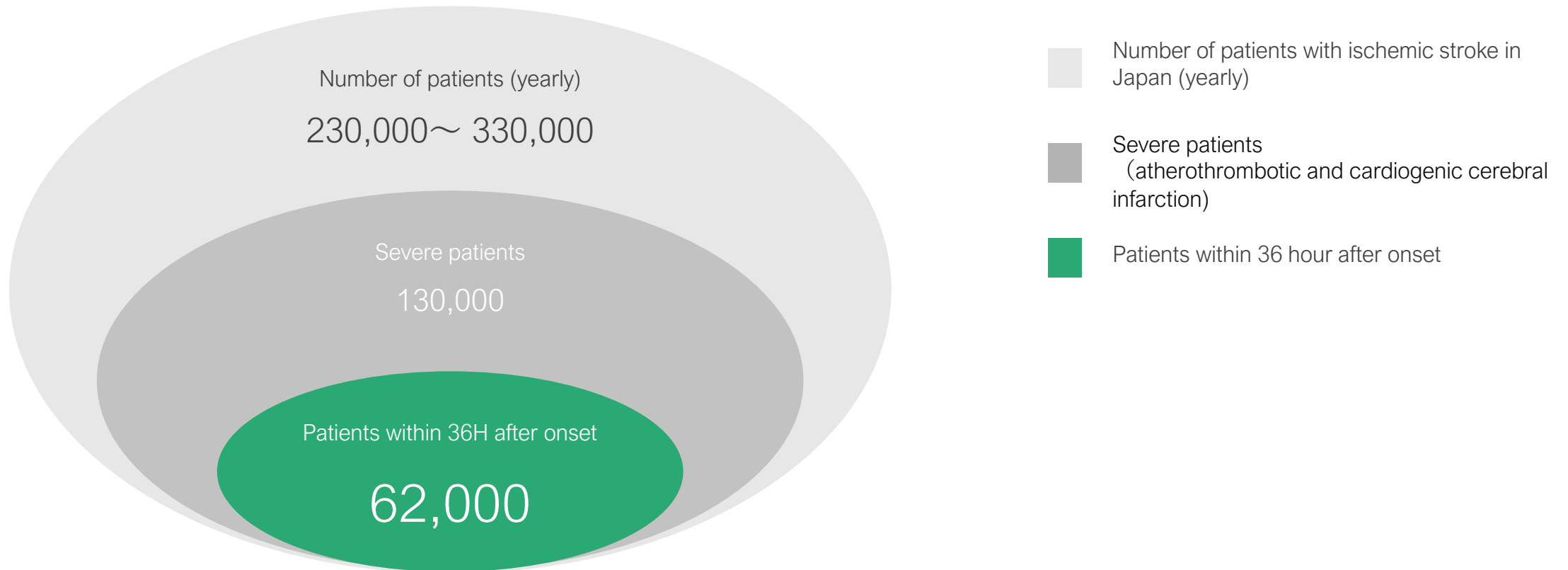


(Source) Athersys

It is estimated that 37.9% of bedridden patients and 21.7% of persons who were in need of care were affected by ischemic stroke.

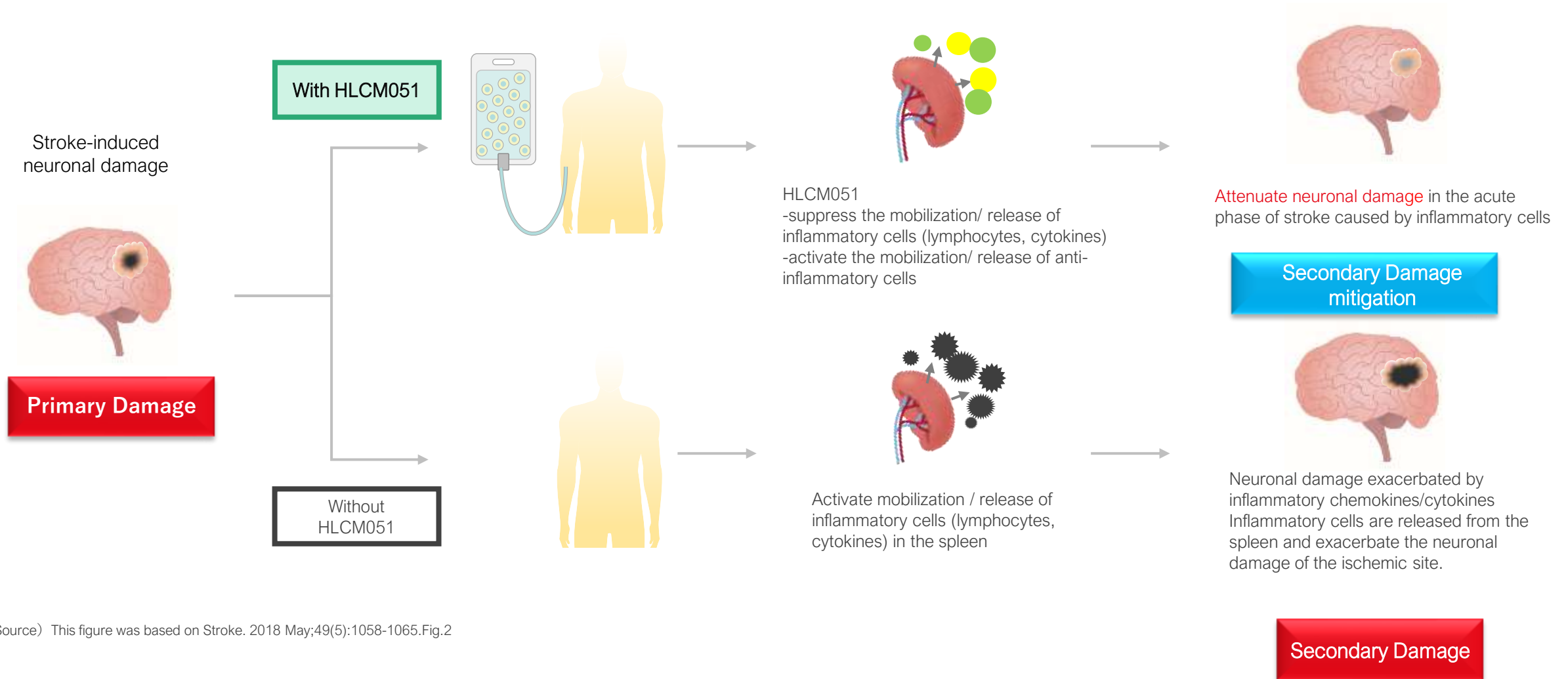
(Note) This material was prepared to explicitly describe the major therapeutic options for ischemic stroke and their treatment window periods after onset. Appropriate treatments are conducted according to patients' conditions and classification of their symptoms. Experimental or investigational treatments not included in the above are also performed.

The number of patients in Japan targeted for HLCM051 is estimated to be 62,000 a year

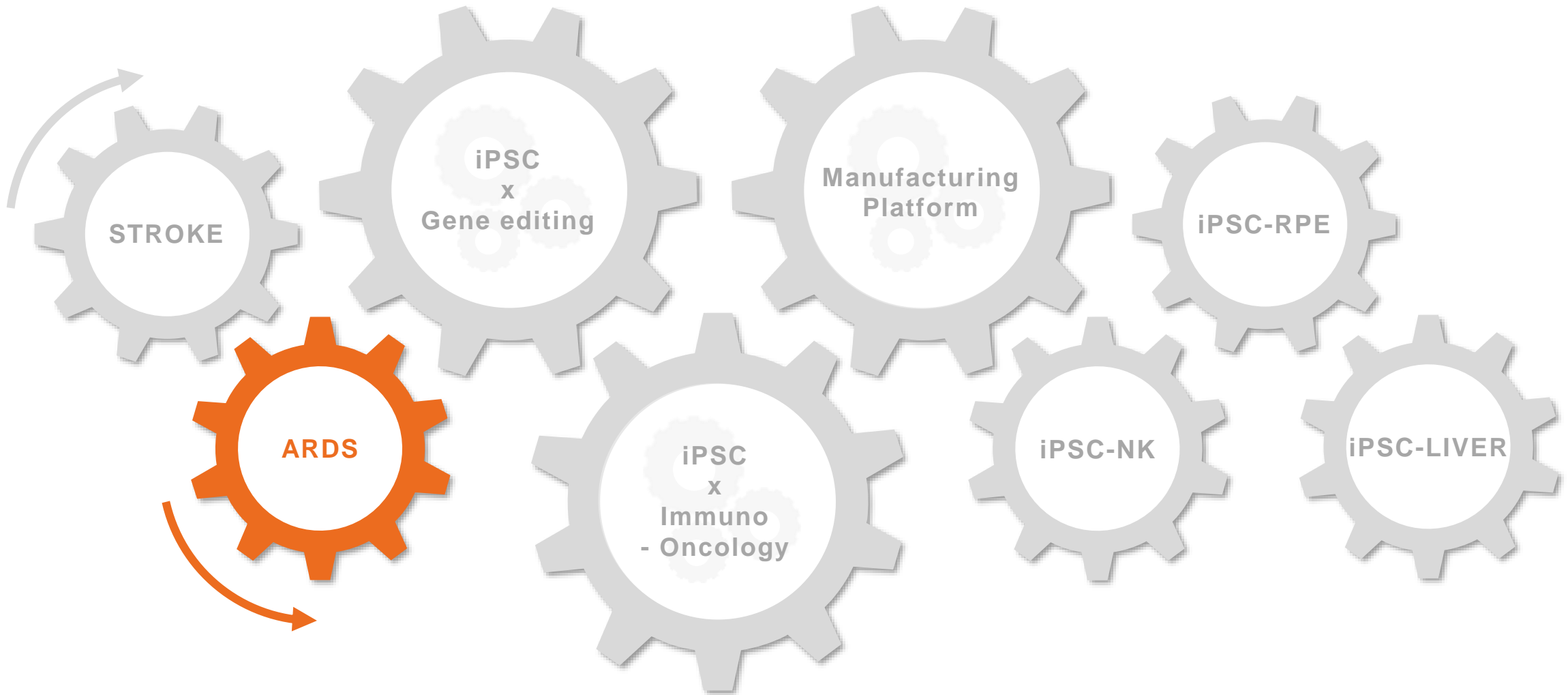


(Source) Healios estimated the annual number of new patients with ischemic stroke in Japan according to materials issued by the Fire and Disaster Management Agency, the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communication, and the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare – DATAMONITOR epidemiological estimates also shown as upper end of range.

(Source) Healios estimated the percentage of patients who reach the hospital within 36 hours after onset at 47% according to the results of its market research.



(Source) This figure was based on Stroke. 2018 May;49(5):1058-1065.Fig.2



There is demand for new treatments for ARDS that will lead to improvements in patients' symptoms and prognosis

| About ARDS

Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS) is a **general term for the symptoms of acute respiratory failure** suddenly occurring in all seriously ill patients. The major causes are severe pneumonia, septicemia, trauma etc.

Inflammatory cells are activated in response to these diseases or injuries, **causing damage to the tissue of the lungs**. As a result, water accumulates in the lungs, leading to acute respiratory failure.



(Source) Athersys

Typically, ARDS is said to occur within 24 to 48 hours of the onset of the illness or injury that caused it. **The mortality rate is approximately 30 to 58%*.**

(* ARDS treatment guideline 2016)

| Current Treatment

Artificial respiration using an endotracheal tube or mask is used to treat for respiratory failure in an intensive care unit (ICU). However, it is known that prolonged use of a ventilator worsens a patient's prognosis.

At present, **there are no therapeutic drugs** that can make a direct improvement to a patient's vital prognosis when ARDS develops. There is demand for new treatments for ARDS that will lead to improvements in patients' symptoms and prognosis.

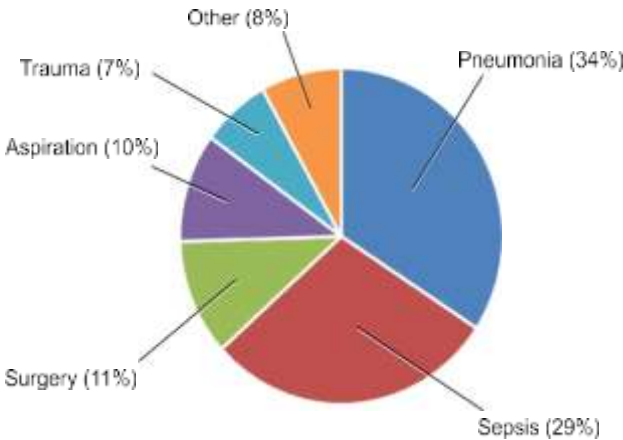
Number of ARDS patients in Japan estimated approximately 7,000~12,000 per year

Approximately 1/3 of ARDS cases caused by pneumonia

Epidemiological data

Epidemiological data	Incidence rate	The estimated number of ARDS patients in Japan * 1
Epidemiology, Patterns of Care, and Mortality for Patients With Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome in Intensive Care Units in 50 Countries. Source : JAMA.2016; 315(8): 788-800	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 0.42 cases per ICU bed• 10.4% of ICU admissions• 23.4% of patients requiring mechanical ventilation	11,937
Epidemiology of Acute Lung Injury (ALI) / Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS) in Chiba Prefecture Source : Journal of Japanese Association for Acute Medicine 2007; 18(6): 219-228	6.1 per 100,000 persons	7,320

Underlying diseases of ARDS



Approximately one-third of ARDS cases are caused by pneumonia. Seasonal infections may progress from pneumonia to ARDS. Some data indicate that approximately 71%*2 of avian-origin influenza A (H7N9) infections result in ARDS.

* 1 (Source) The number of ARDS patients in Japan is estimated by Healios based on the incidence rate of epidemiological data and the total demographical population in Japan.

* 2 (Source) Gao HN. et al., *N Engl J Med.* 2013 Jun 13;368(24):2277-85.

(Source) Respiratory Investigation; 55(4): 257-263

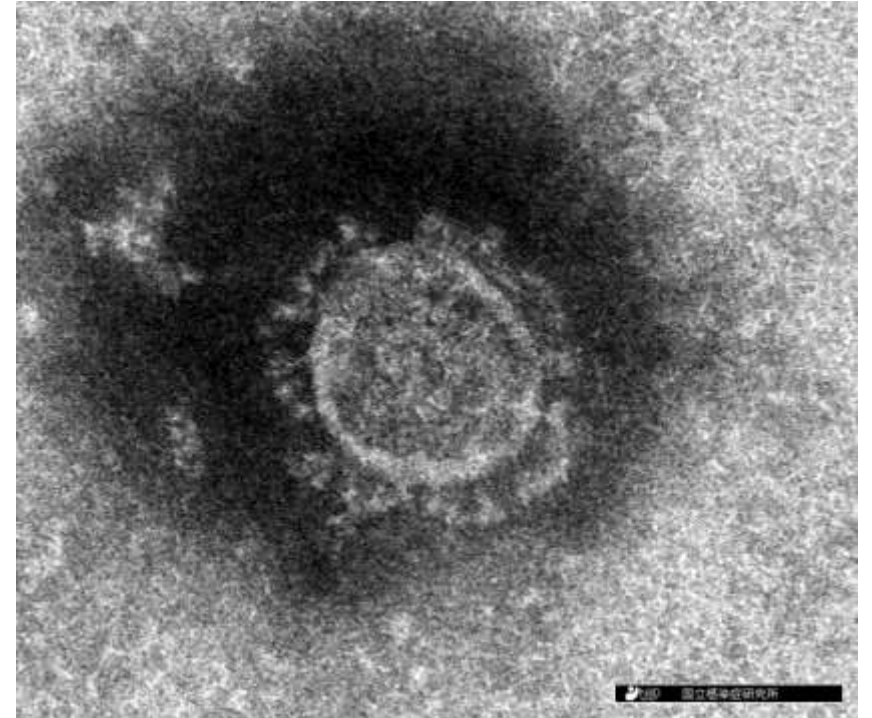
- In 2019, an outbreak of SARS-CoV-2 was first identified near Wuhan City, China, followed by a COVID -19 pandemic.

- According to the data published on the initial group of cases of the new coronavirus (COVID-19) in Wuhan, 31 to 41.8% of hospitalized patients developed ARDS and ARDS complications were confirmed in **54 to 93% of fatal cases^{*1}^{*2}, indicating that ARDS is a major cause of mortality in COVID-19 patients.**

(Note) As the above two reports studied the initial group of patients, the incidence rate and mortality of ARDS patients is expected to fluctuate depending on the current situation in each country.

- Athersys, Inc., our partner company based in the United States, has initiated a Phase II/III clinical trial evaluating MultiStem for COVID-19 induced ARDS. On May 5 (local time), the first patient was enrolled in this trial.

Electron micrograph of SARS-CoV-2



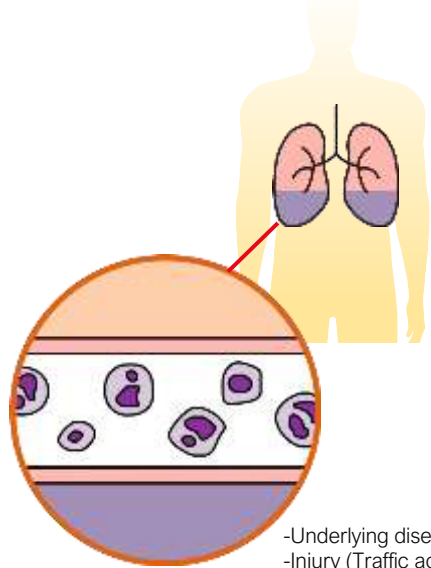
(Source) The National Institute of Infectious disease

(Source) *1 Zhou F, et al. Lancet. 2020 Mar 11. pii: S0140-6736(20)30566-3

(Source) *2 Wu C , et al. JAMA Intern Med. 2020 Mar 13. doi: 10.1001

Following intravenous administration after ARDS, HLCM051 accumulates in the lungs and controls excessive inflammation, protects damaged tissue and promotes restoration.

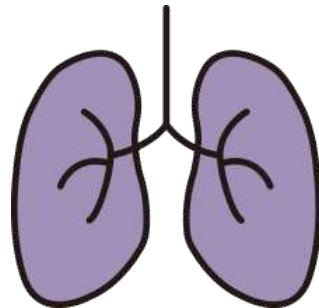
Inflammatory cells are released



-Underlying disease (pneumonia, etc.)
-Injury (Traffic accident, etc.)

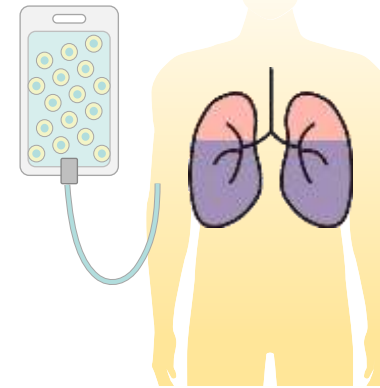
When the tissue is damaged, inflammatory cells are released in large quantities.

Inflammatory cells attack the lungs



The inflammatory cells attack the lungs. As a result, hypoxia develops and the patient falls into severe respiratory failure.

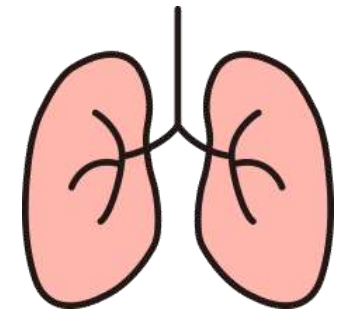
HLCM051 Administered



- Suppresses excessive inflammation in the lungs.
- Protects damaged tissue and facilitates healing.

HLCM051 accumulates in the lungs as a result of intravenous administration.

Lung function improves



We can anticipate earlier ventilator removal and a lower mortality rate.

Based on one-year follow-up summary results, an evaluation of quality-of-life suggests further potential benefits from MultiStem treatment including faster rehabilitation.

No serious adverse events were observed.

Analysis of the Double-blind study conducted by Athersys

	MultiStem	Placebo
Mortality	25%	40%
Ventilator- free (VF) days	12.9 days	9.2 days
Intensive Care Unit (ICU) free days	10.3 days	8.1 days

Post-hoc Analysis of patients in severe condition and pneumonia-induced ARDS

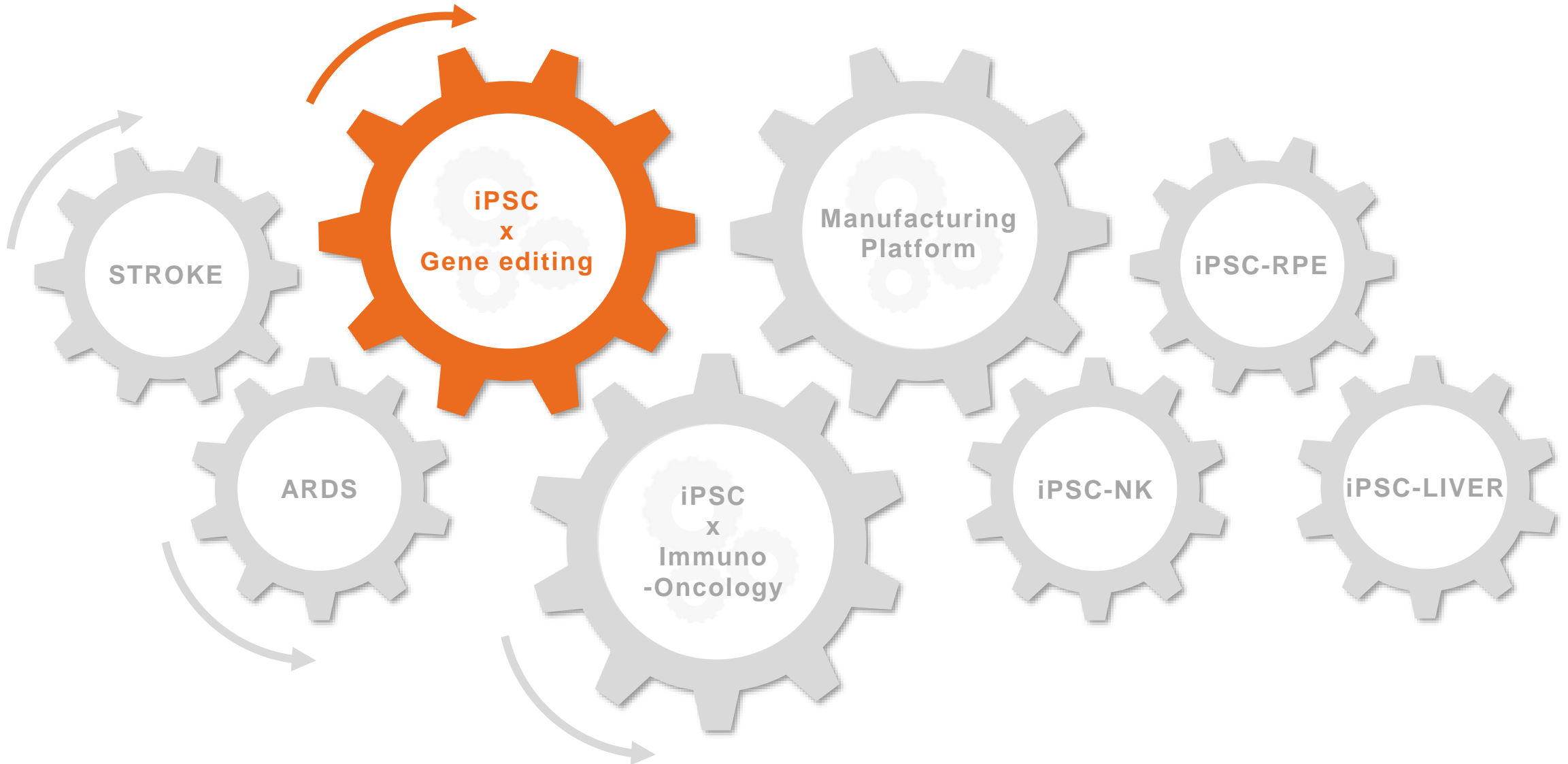
	MultiStem	Placebo
Mortality	20%	50%
Ventilator- free (VF) days	14.8 days	7.5 days
Intensive Care Unit (ICU) free days	12.0 days	5.0 days

In the above analysis based on data obtained 90 days after administration, the mortality rate and the number of ventilator-free days (VFD) within a 28-day post-administration period et al. tended to improve in the MultiStem group compared with the placebo group. The results of the 1-year follow-up after administration showed a similar trend.

Overview of the Analysis

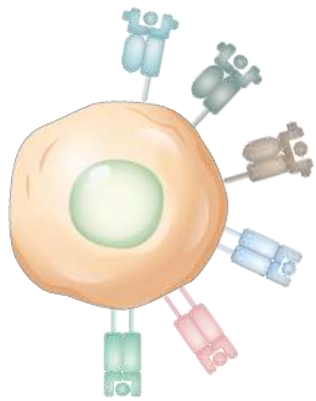
Clinical trial	Exploratory clinical trial (Phase 1/2) conducted by Athersys in US and UK (MUST-ARDS study)
Subjects	ARDS patients administered MultiStem or Placebo intravenously (In Phase 2 trial, MultiStem 20, Placebo 10)
Endpoints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mortality- Ventilator Free days (The number of the days out of 28 in which a ventilator was not used for the patient)- ICU Free Days (The number of the days out of 28 in which the patient was out of Intensive Care Unit)

(Source) Athersys



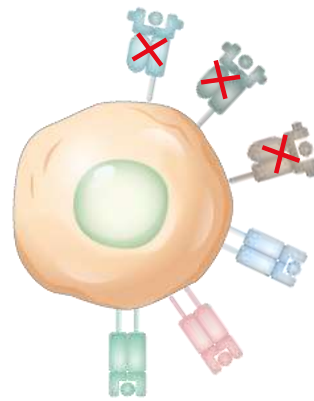
HLA knockout procedure to generate HEALIOS Universal Donor Cells

Clinical grade MCB



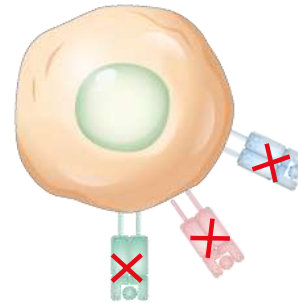
Knock-out
HLA Class I

HLA Class I KO
(intermediate)



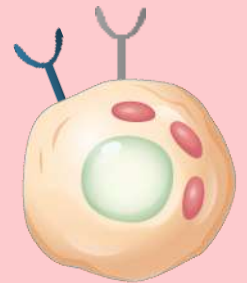
Knock-out
HLA Class II

HLA Class I/II KO
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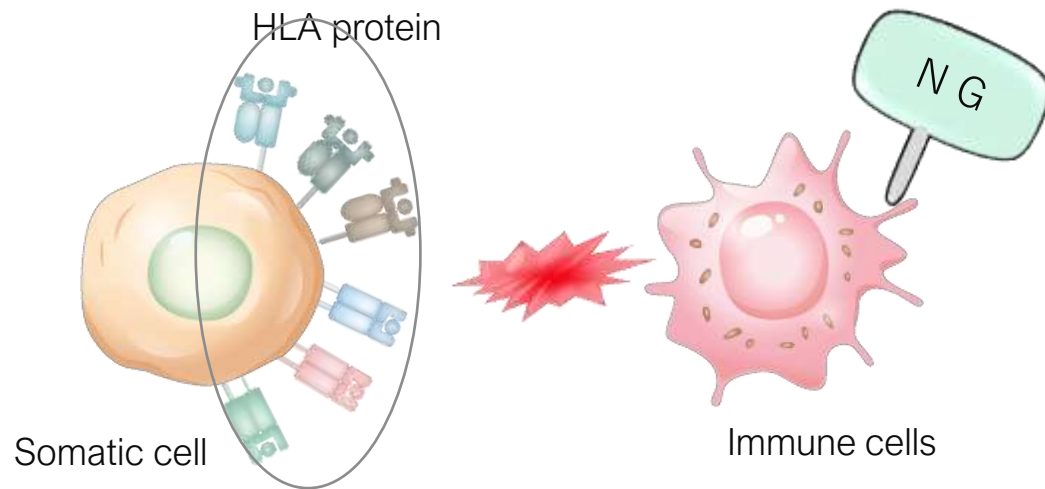
Knock-in
gene X,Y,...
suicide gene

HEALIOS
Universal Donor Cells



HLA (human leukocyte antigen) protein:

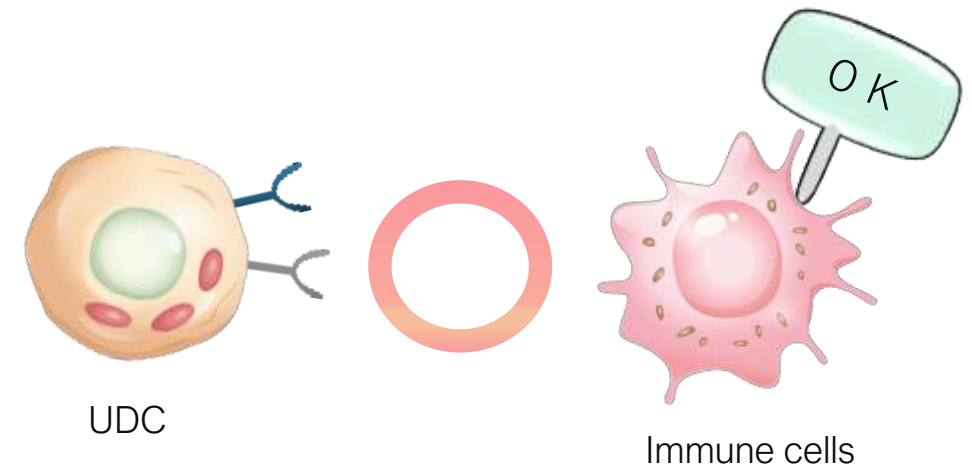
- HLA is a group of cell-surface proteins that are encoded by the MHC (major histocompatibility complex) gene and responsible for the regulation of the immune system.
- There are a myriad of HLA variations
- Immune cells distinguish between autologous and allogeneic cells and tissue.



HLA protein mismatch causes immune rejection

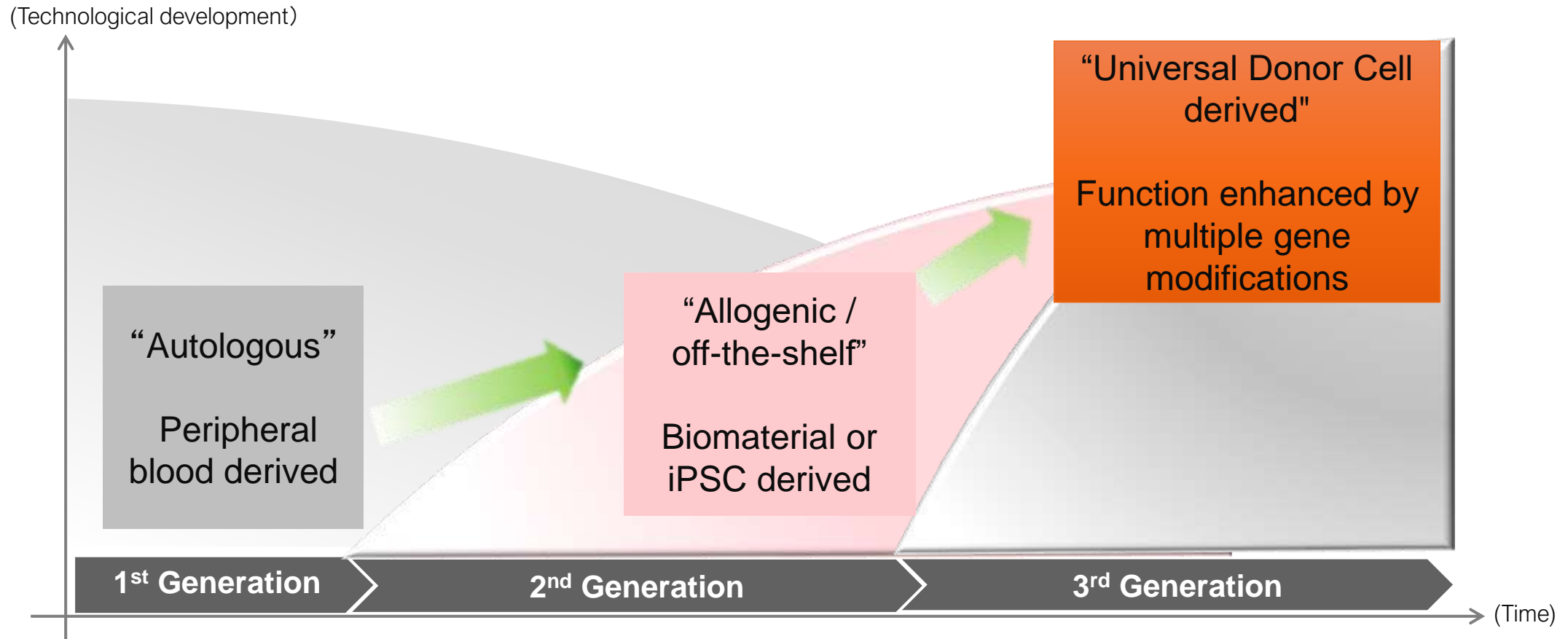
UDC:

- Deletion of HLA protein
- Introduction of immunosuppression-related molecules
- Introduction of suicide genes as a safety mechanism

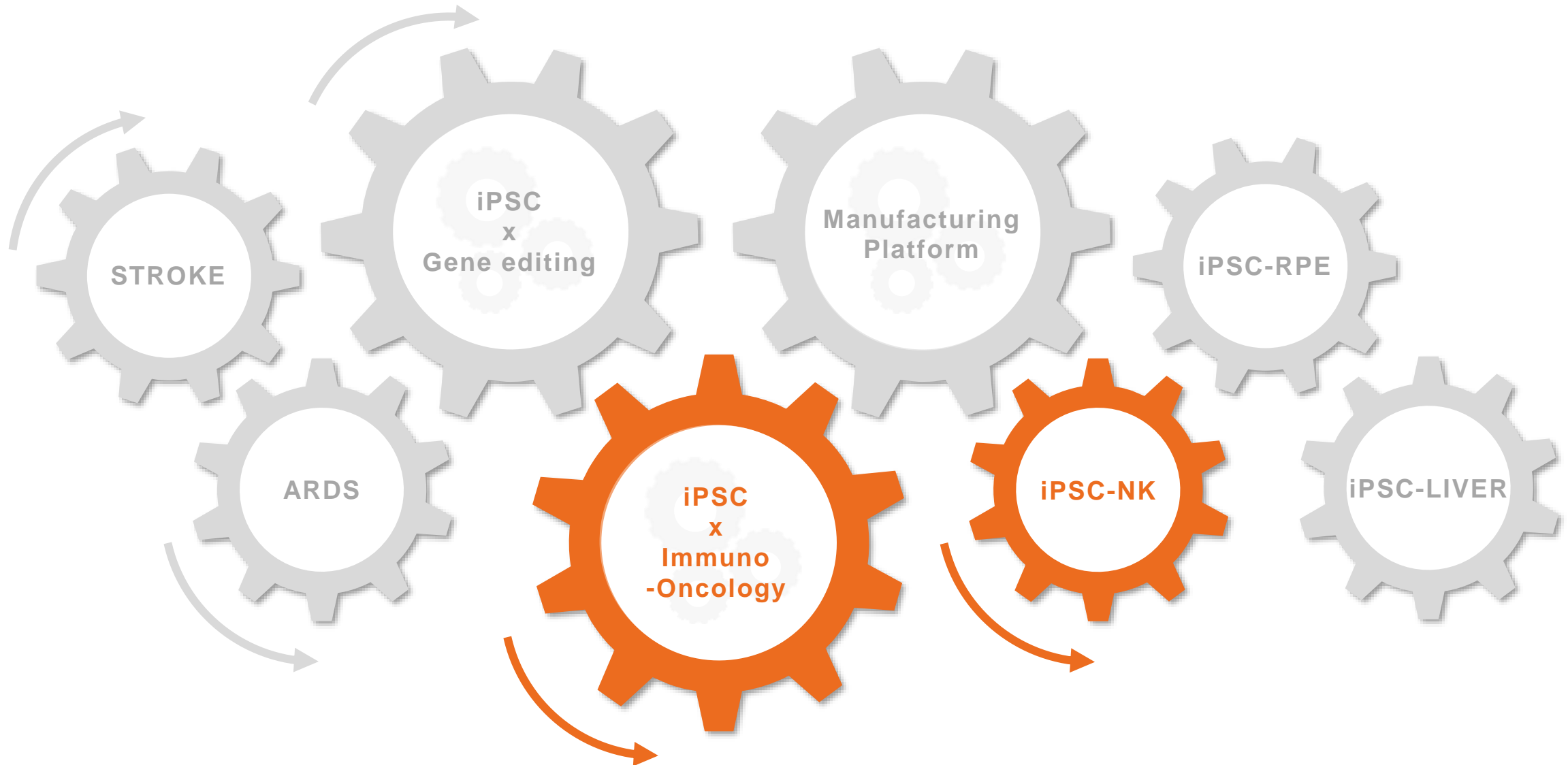


UDC is a safer and more versatile iPSC cell

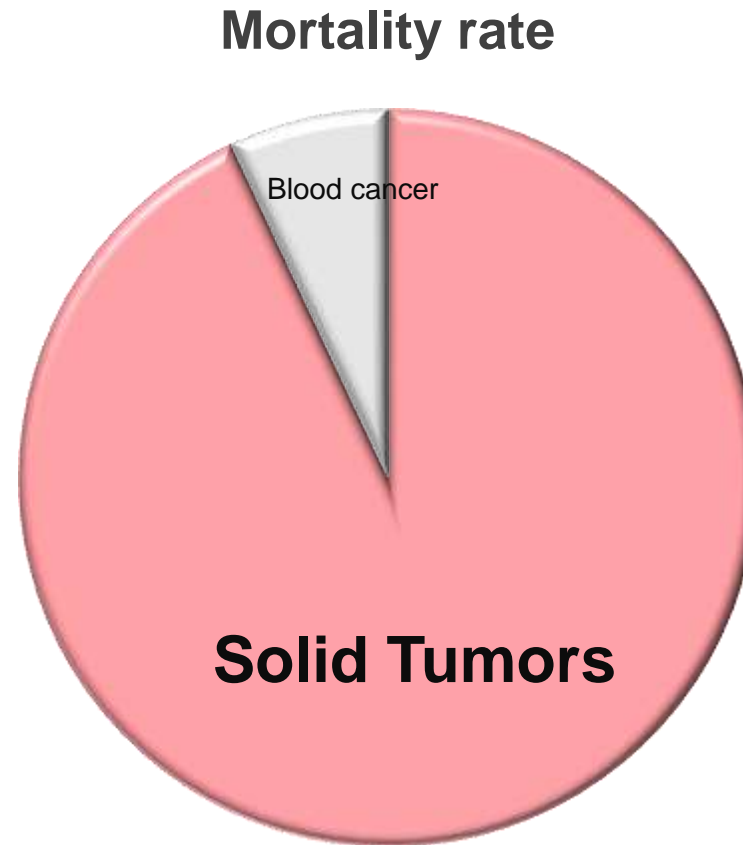
By using UDCs, graft rejection may be avoided, and sustained efficacy may be expected.
Target an off-the-shelf product: stable production and quality with lower cost of goods.



* See Appendix for additional explanation.



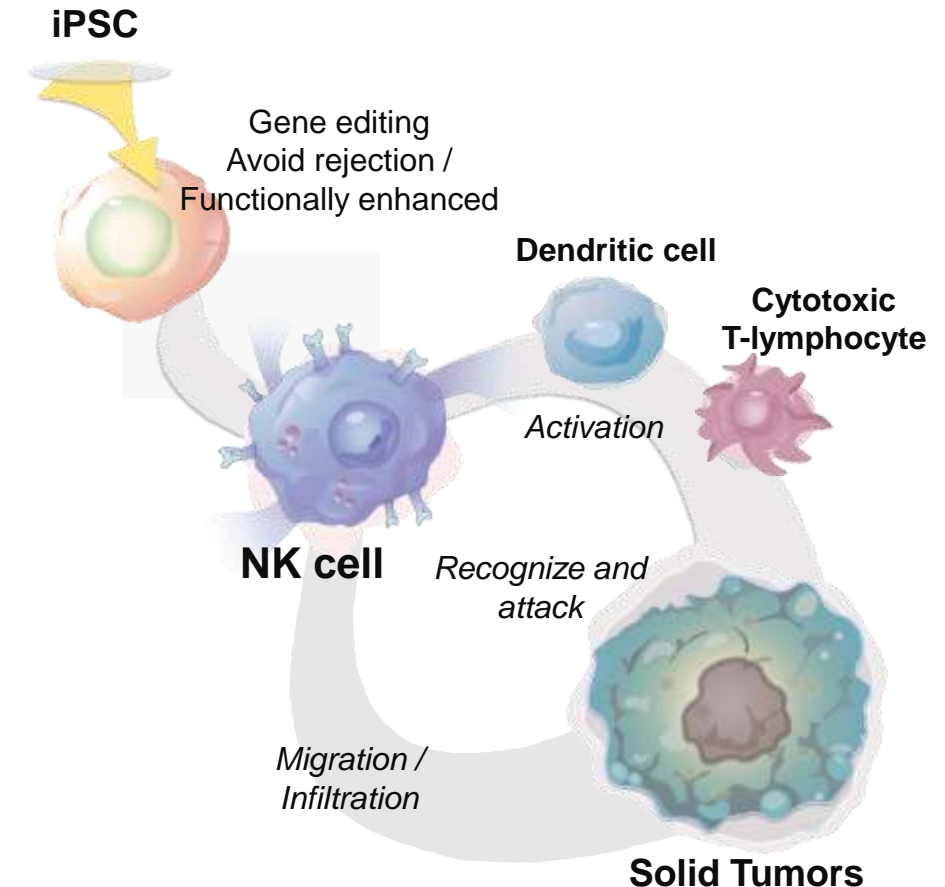
The No.1 cause of death in Japan is cancer
(approximately 90% of which are caused by solid tumors)



(出所)国立がん研究センターがん情報サービス「がん登録・統計」(人口動態統計) .2018

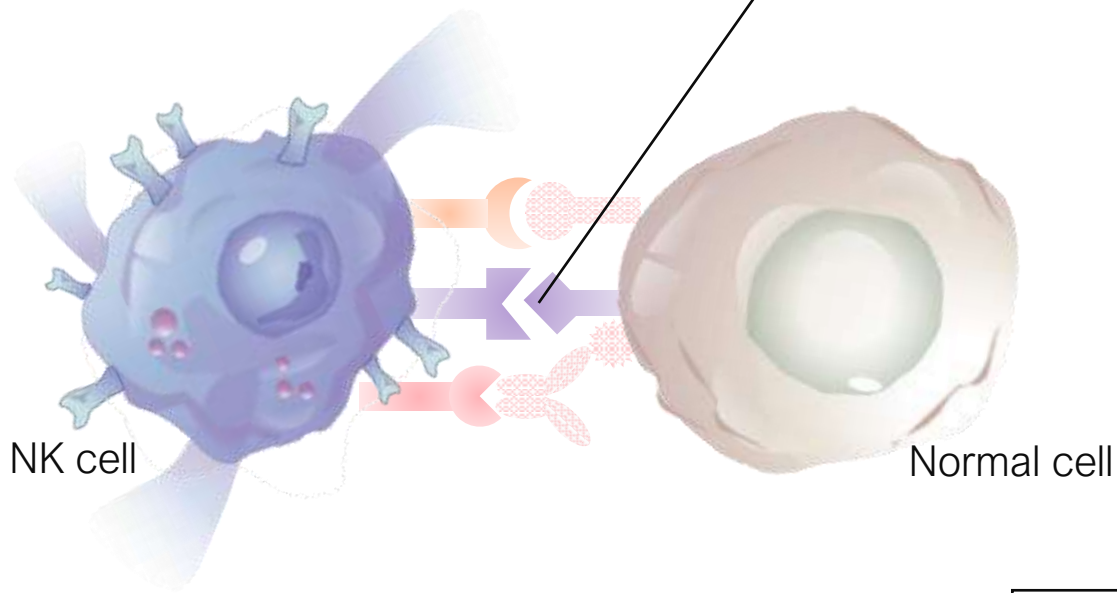
Natural killer (NK) cells, a type of white blood cell, plays a central role in a cell mediated defense system that human bodies naturally have, and attacks cancer cells and virus-infected cells.

- Best in class, enhanced anti-tumor efficacy by introducing/modulating various factors related to NK cells killing activity
- Broad applicability across tumor types irrespective of specific cancer antigens
- Life-extension, promotion of healing, relief of symptoms, and improvement of quality of life.



Normal cells

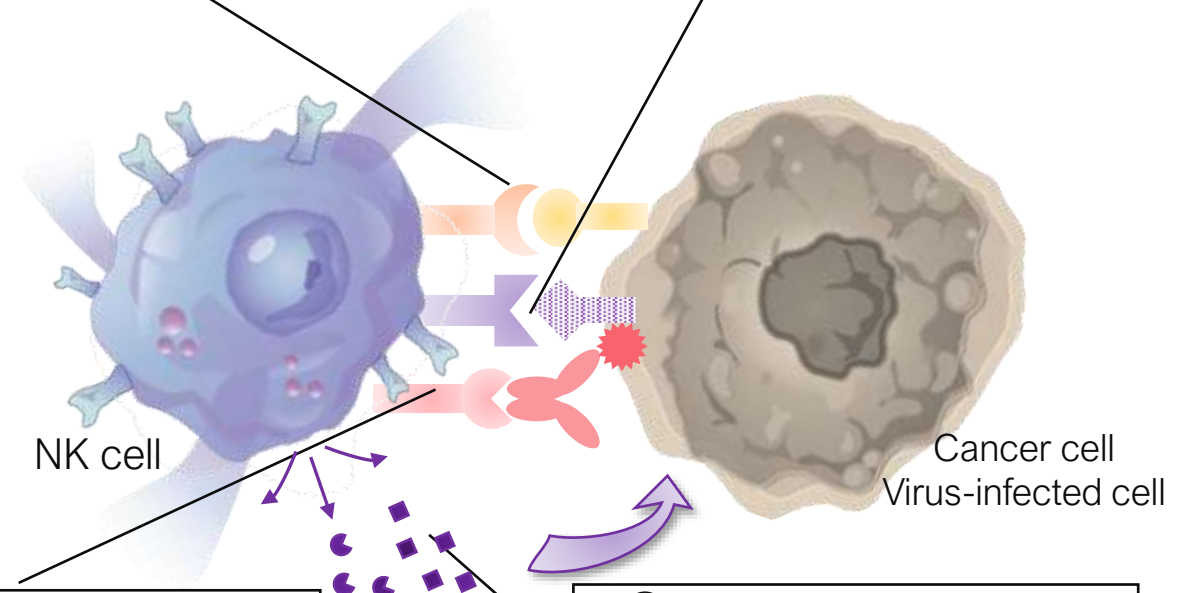
NK cells do not attack normal cells by recognizing normal marker



Cancerous or virus-infected cells

① Activated by abnormal markers

② Release the brake allowing for the attack



③ Recognize the antibodies that are attacking the cancer and further activate.

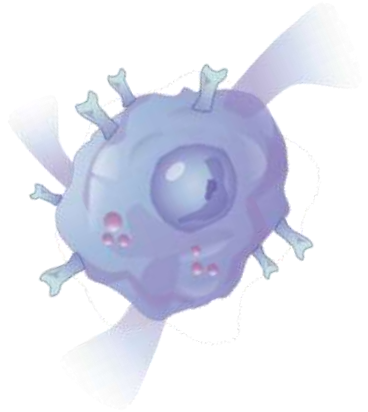
④ Release the degrading enzymes and destroy cancer cells

	HEALIOS	Company-A		Company-B		Company-C
	iPS Cell	iPS Cell①	iPS Cell②	Cell①	Cell②	Cord blood
Recognizes cancer cells	✓		✓		✓	✓
Enhanced function in combination with antibodies	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Migrates to cancer cells	✓					
Attracts host immune cells	✓					
Activates surrounding T-cells and dendritic cells	✓		✓			✓
Self-activation and maintenance of survival	✓		✓			✓
Avoids immune rejection in patients	✓					

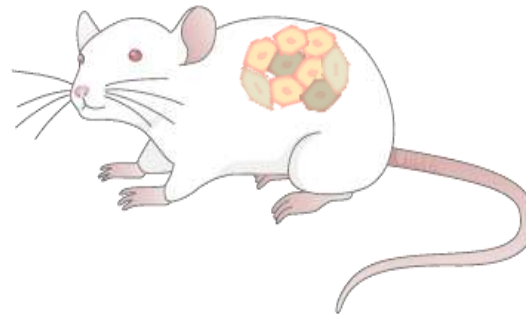
(Source) Adapted by Healios from public information



The National Cancer
Center Japan



Gene edited
NK cells



PDX

Research utilizing PDX (Patient-Derived Xenograft)

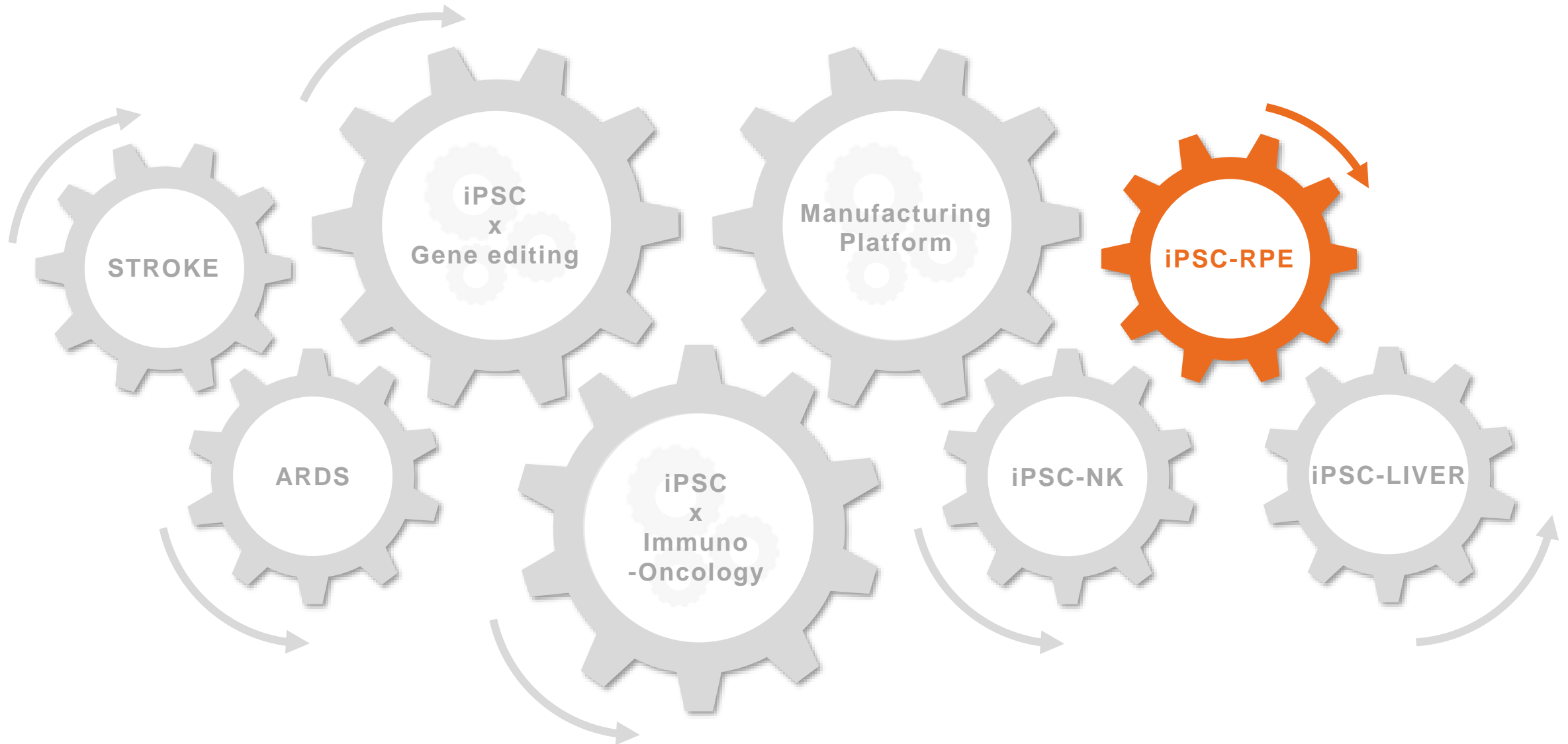
- Investigate the expression of several molecules recognized by HLCN061
- Clarify the characteristics of solid cancers to which HLCN061 exerts antitumor effects

Based on the results of these studies

PDX models * 1 will be used to consider what solid cancers we should target with our therapy.

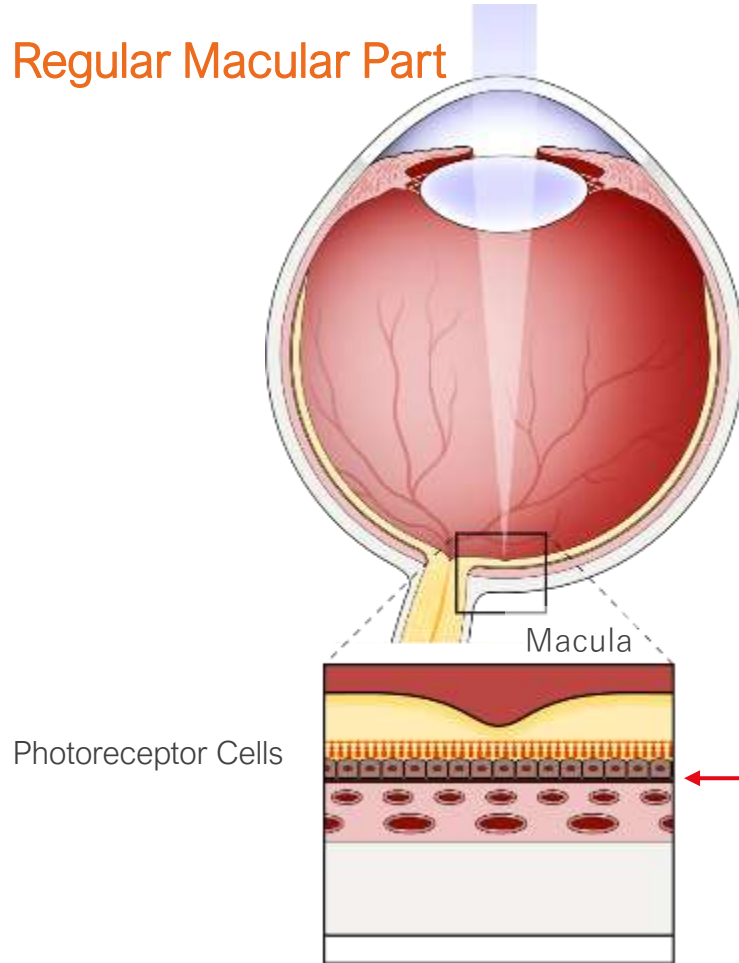
*1 PDX models

Transplant human patient cancer tissue into immunodeficient mice
Dramatically improves the predictability of clinical response



Age-related Macular Degeneration (AMD) causes Retinal Pigment Epithelial (RPE) cells to degenerate, which damages function

Regular Macular Part



Photoreceptor Cells

Retinal Pigment Epithelial (RPE) Cell

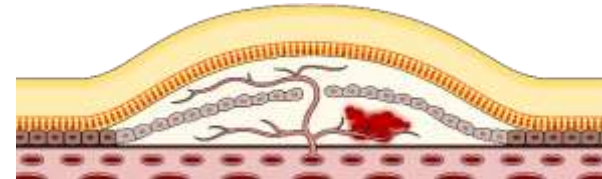
Developed Dry-AMD

Immunity barrier maintained
→ Degeneration of photoreceptor → Dry AMD



Wet AMD

Destruction of immunity barrier → Invasion of immune cells
→ Inflammation → Wet AMD



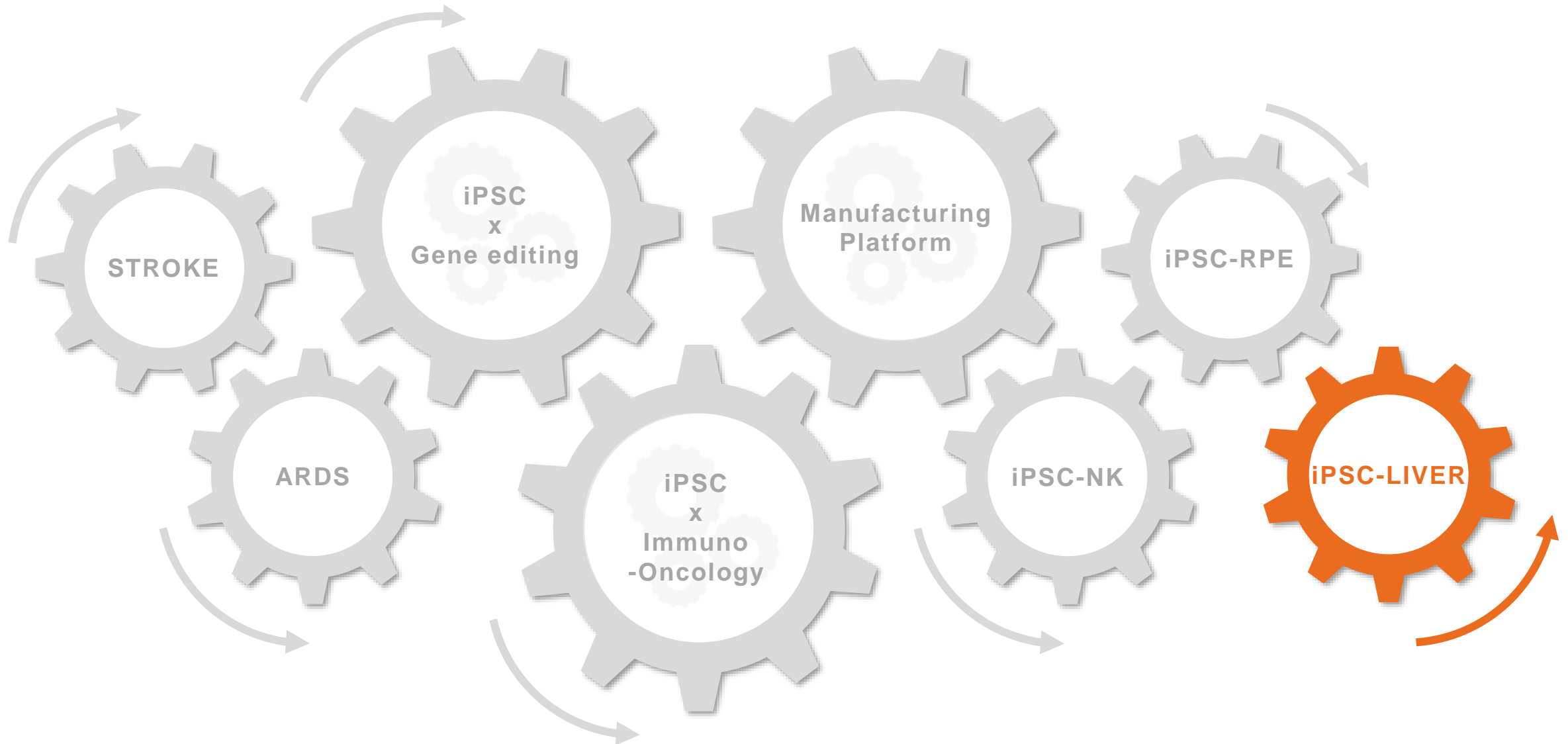
In Japan, HEALIOS and Dainippon Sumitomo Pharma jointly develop a treatment using iPSC cell-derived RPE cells.

Sighregen, a joint venture with Sumitomo Dainippon Pharma, is establishing a manufacturing facility

“SMaRT”, the Manufacturing Plant for Regenerative Medicine & Cell Therapy by Sumitomo Dainippon Pharma

Sighregen rents the facility in SMaRT and is establishing the iPSC-RPE manufacturing system and facility for iPSC-RPE cell products





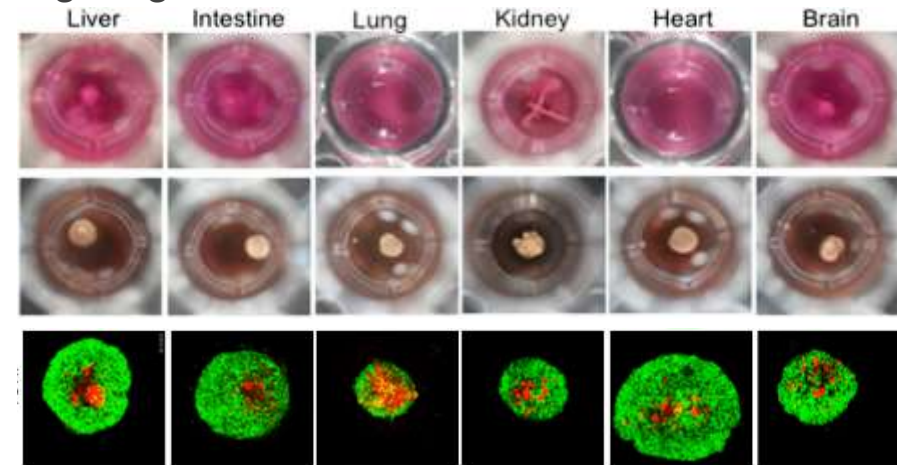
By creating an "Organ Bud" of each organ with iPS cells, we have laid the groundwork for paradigm shifting therapies to emerge for various severe disease.

UDCs allow for the realization of organ replacement using organ buds.



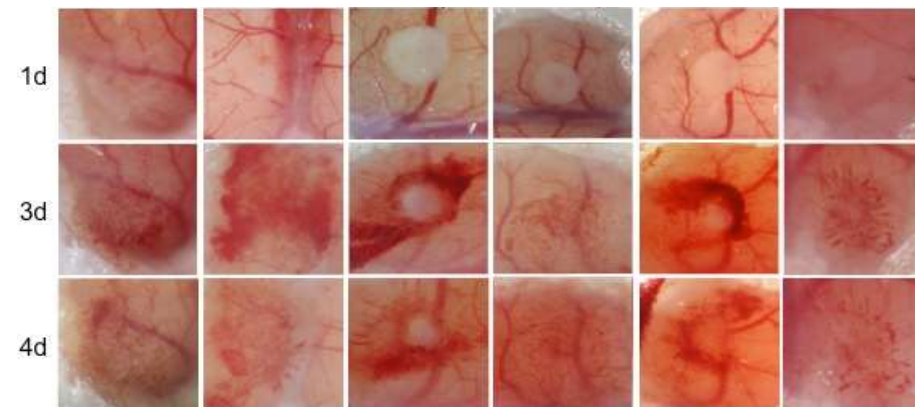
The vascularization was confirmed in vivo by transplantation to mice.

(Sours) Japan Science and Technology Agency Science News "Diverse Approaches in Regenerative Medicine from Cell to Tissue/Organ" (Distributed October 3, 2013)
<https://sciencechannel.jst.go.jp/M130001/detail/M130001005.html>



Transplanted to mice

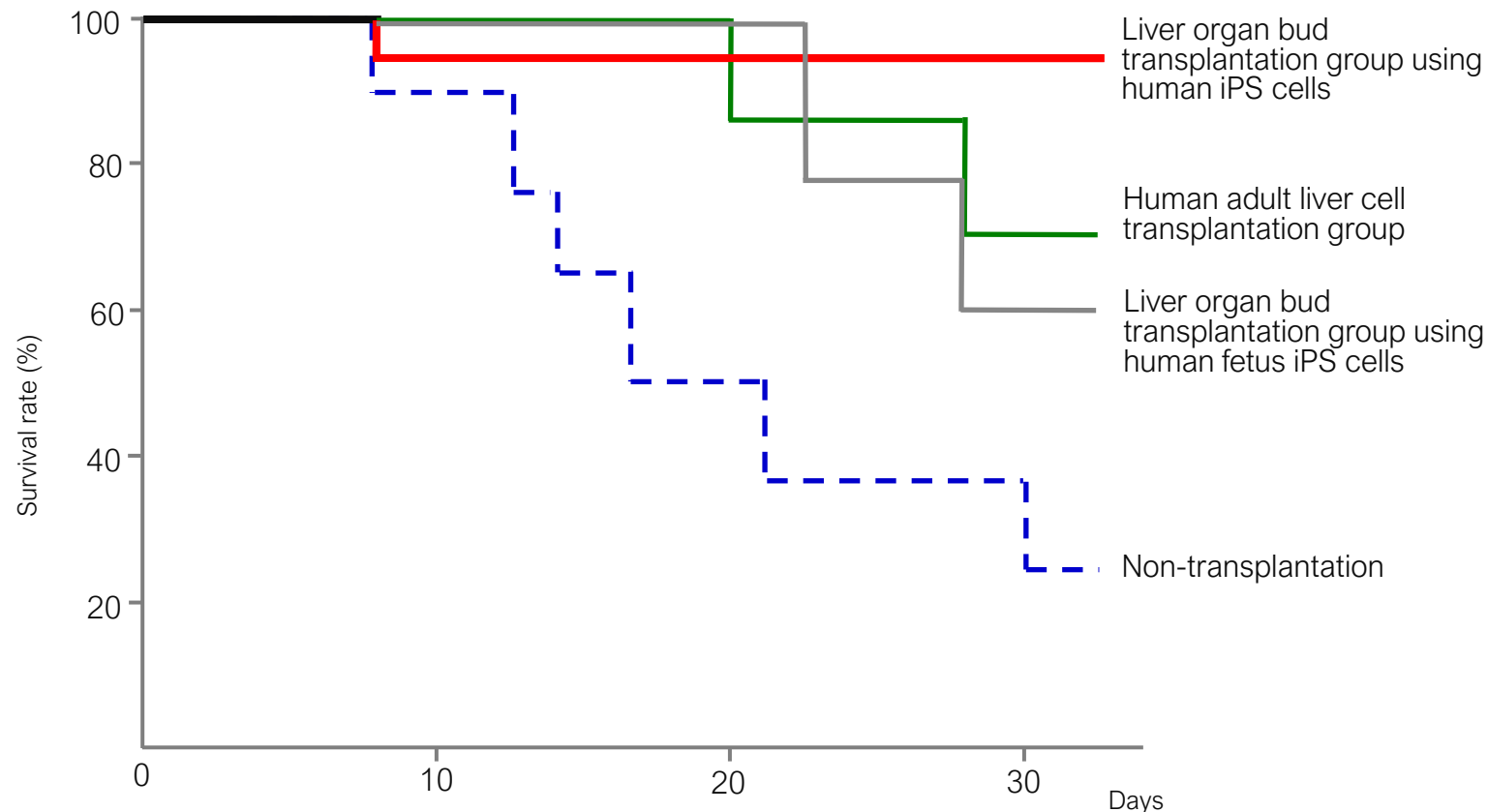
Green : Cells of each organ
 Red : Vascular endothelial cell
 Black : MSC



(Sours) Modified from Takebe T. et al., Cell Stem Cell, 2015

Survival rate improves significantly in transplantation experiments

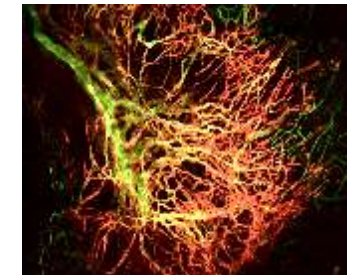
Treatment effects of liver bud transplantation to mouse using hiPSC



(Source) Adapted by Healios from Takebe, T, et al. Nature, 499 (7459), (2013)

Process

Process by which organ forms from organ bud links mouse's vascular network autonomously



(Source) Takebe, T., et al.
Nature Protocols, 9, 396–409 (2014)



Financial Highlights

HEALIOS K.K. (the “Company”) hereby announced that, at the executive officers meeting held on February 13, 2020, it has resolved to voluntarily adopt International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) as its accounting standard for its consolidated financial statements instead of the Japanese Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (“J-GAAP”) from the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020 as follows.

The Company decided to adopt IFRS voluntarily in order to improve the international comparability of its financial information in the capital markets.

The disclosures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020 are as follows:

Accounting period		Disclosure materials	Accounting standards
Fiscal year ending December 31, 2020	1st to 3rd quarters	Quarterly Earnings Report	IFRS
		Quarterly Report	IFRS
	Year end	Earnings Report	IFRS
		Consolidated Financial Statements (Note	IFRS
		Annual Securities Report	IFRS

(Note) The Company discloses the information in its consolidated financial statements from the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020.

(Units: one million US dollar)

	FY2019 Q3(YTD)	FY2020 Q3(YTD)		
			YoY variance	Main reasons for increase/decrease
Sales	0.75	0.19	-0.56	Milestone revenue was recorded only in the first quarter of the previous year, resulting in a decrease in revenue compared to the same period last year.
Operating income	-27.63	-27.21	0.42	Mainly due to increase in SG&A expenses -\$1.74mn and decrease in R&D expenses +\$2.46mn.
Net income	-27.36	-37.33	-9.96	Mainly due to increase in finance costs -\$8.98mn as a result of change in fair value of derivatives embedded in convertible bonds (non-cash) -\$6.28mn and increase in the carrying amount of bonds by the amortized cost method (non-cash) -\$2.47mn.
R&D expenses	21.47	19.01	-2.46	
Number of employees	108	110	2	

(Note) * Financial figures for the third quarter of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019 are presented in accordance with IFRS.

* For details of the financial figures, please refer to the summary of the financial results for the third quarter announced today.

* Adopt average exchange rate (JPY/USD) over respective 9-month periods for P&L; FY2019 Q3 109.12 yen per dollar and FY2020 Q3 107.54 yen per dollar.

Details of financial expenses

In the third quarter, we recorded financial expenses of ¥1,079 million. This was mainly due to the recording of ¥676 million in derivatives expenses^{*1}, ¥372 million in interest on bonds^{*2}, and ¥26 million in interest expenses.

*1 Derivative expenses

Derivative expenses are the net unrealized gains/losses on the convertible bond-type bonds with subscription rights to shares, which our company issued to overseas investors in July 2019, at fair value as of the end of the third quarter. These are non-cash expenses booked in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), which was introduced by the Company in the first quarter of the fiscal year ending December 2020.

*2. Interest on bonds

Of the total interest on bonds of 372 million yen posted in the third quarter, 342 million yen was charged to income using the amortized cost method. As in *1 above, this is a non-cash expense recorded in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), which was introduced in the first quarter of the fiscal year ending December 2020.

Under JGAAP, convertible bond issuances were accounted for as liabilities and issue fees were accounted for as expenses. Under International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), however, proceeds, after deducting issue fees from convertible bond issuances, are accounted for as liabilities and equity, based on a certain standard. As a result, the difference between the face value of convertible bonds and the amount recorded as liabilities is amortized (expensed) over the period.

Balance sheet

(Units: one million US dollar)

		December 31, 2019	September 30, 2020		
				Variance	Main reasons for increase/decrease
Total assets	Current assets	176.86 (75.7%)	147.46 (64.8%)	-29.40	Mainly due to decrease in cash equivalents –\$28.58mn. (cash equivalent balance at 09/30/20 was \$138.41mn)
	Non-current assets	56.75 (24.3%)	80.07 (35.2%)	23.32	Mainly due to increase in other financial assets +\$17.69mn as a result of the acquisition of additional shares of Athersys, Inc. and a rise in Athersys shares.
		233.61 (100.0%)	227.53 (100.0%)	-6.08	
Total liabilities	Current liabilities	17.93 (7.7%)	48.44 (21.3%)	30.51	Mainly due to increase in bonds and loans payable +\$23.63mn and other financial liabilities +\$6.76mn.
	Non-current liabilities	103.01 (44.1%)	89.36 (39.3%)	-13.66	Mainly due to decrease in bonds and loans payable –\$17.13mn and increase in lease obligations +\$1.84mn.
		120.94 (51.8%)	137.80 (60.6%)	16.85	
Total equity		112.67 (48.2%)	89.74 (39.4%)	-22.93	Mainly due to net loss -\$37.33mn and increase in other components of equity +\$7.70mn as a result of a rise in Athersys shares.
Total liabilities and equity		233.61 (100.0%)	227.53 (100.0%)	-6.08	

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* Adopt spot rate (JPY/USD) at end of fiscal period for B/S ; FY2019 Q4 109.56 yen per dollar and FY2020 Q3 105.80 yen per dollar.



Appendix

Company Overview

About us

Company Name	HEALIOS K.K.
Representative	Hardy TS Kagimoto, MD, Chairman and CEO
Establishment	February 24, 2011
Paid in Capital	4,905 million yen(As of September 30, 2020)
Head office	Yurakucho Denki Bldg. North Tower 19F, 1-7-1 Yurakucho, Chiyoda-ku ,Tokyo 100-0006, Japan
Number of Employees	110 (As of September 30, 2020)
Business	Research, development and manufacturing of cell therapy/ regenerative medicine products
Research Institution	Kobe (77 : (Ph.D. Holders :Over 30 people) As of March, 2020) Yokohama
Affiliated Company	Sighregen Co., Ltd. (Joint Venture with Sumitomo Dainippon Pharma Co., Ltd.)
Subsidiary	• Healios NA Inc. (Established in February 2018) • Organoid Neogenesis Laboratory Inc. (Established in June 2018 to promote the practical use of organ bud technology)

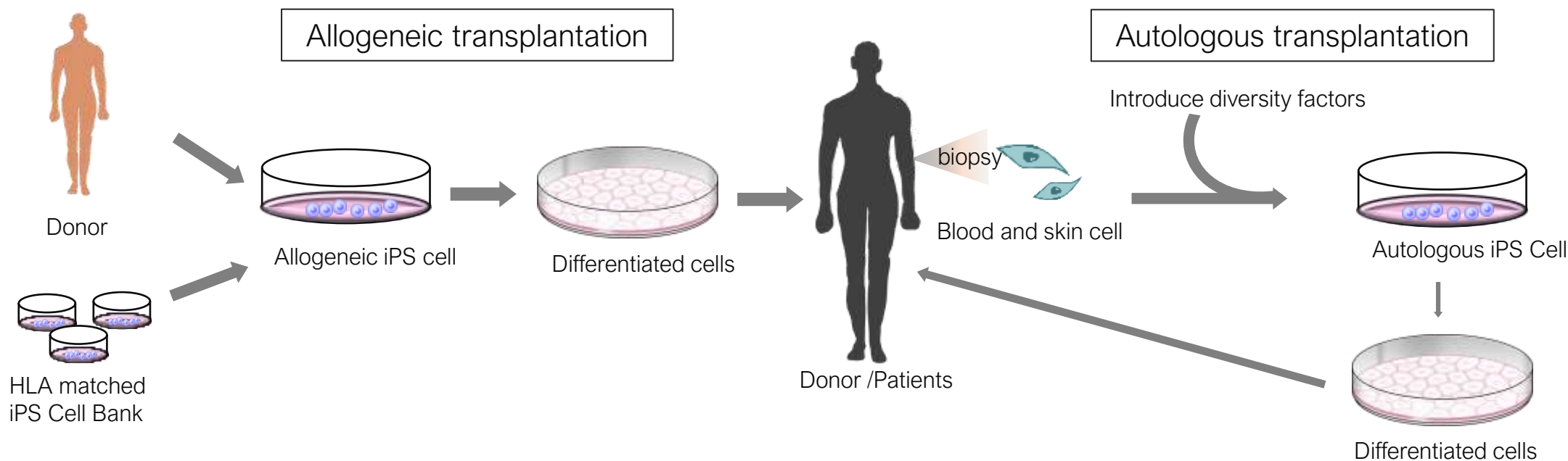
	Company	In the field of iPSC Regenerative Medicine	In the field of Somatic Stem Cell Regenerative Medicine
2011	Establishment of the company		
2012	Tokyo office opened		
2013		A patent licensing agreement concluded with RIKEN Joint Development Agreement with Sumitomo Dainippon Pharma Co., Ltd.	
2014		Joint research with Yokohama City University on Organ buds	
2015	Listed on Tokyo Stock Exchange (MOTHERS)		
2016		Start universal donor cell research	HLCM051 license agreement with Athersys, Inc. Clinical trial for ischemic stroke initiated
2017	A business and capital alliance with Nikon BBG250 Business transfer		
2018	Establishment of Healios NA, Inc. in the US Establishment of Organoid Neogenesis Laboratory Inc	CRADA with National Eye Institute Sighregen establishes a manufacturing facility in SMaRT	Strategic investment and collaboration expansion with Athersys ARDS development & clinical trial initiated
2019	Expansion of alliance with Nikon	Changes in joint development framework with Sumitomo Dainippon Pharma	
2020	Establishment of Sales and Marketing Department Establishment of a new Healios research facility	In-house development of gene-modified natural killer cells (HLCN061) Establishment of UDC research line and clinical grade line Joint research with the National Cancer Center Japan	COVID-19 induced ARDS clinical trial cohort enrollment completed

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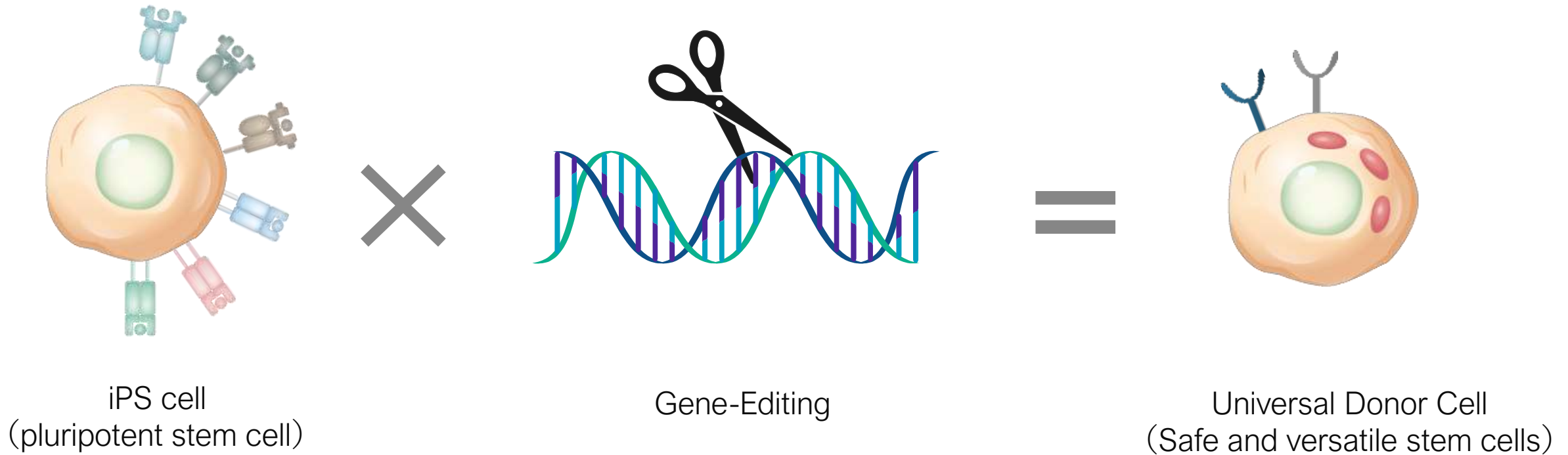
iPSC Platform

iPSC Platform: Allogeneic iPS cells (Universal Donor Cell: UDC) that suppress immune rejection



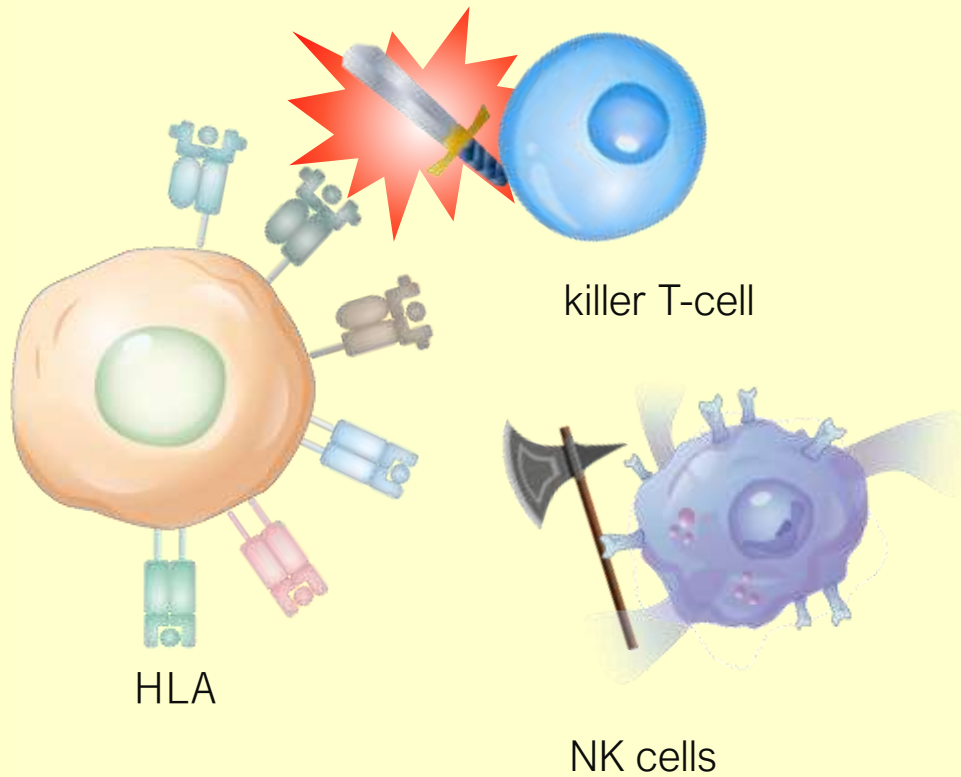
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	Autologous iPS Cell	Existing iPS/ES cell lines	HLA matched iPS Cell Bank	UDC
Immune rejection	None	Occurs (Immunosuppressive drugs are required)	Under consideration	None
Manufacturing term	Several months~1 year (Need to make from each patient)	Ready-to-use (One line)	Ready-to-use (Multiple lines required)	Ready-to-use (One line of gene-edited cell)
Cost	Very high	Low	High	Low

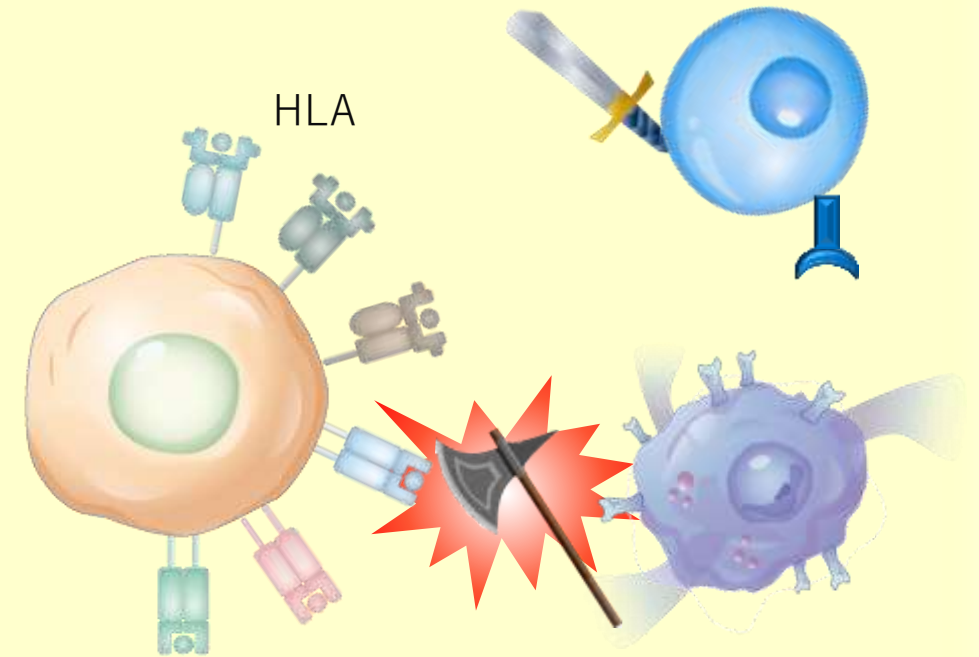


By using gene editing technology to produce iPS cells that avoid immune rejection, it is possible to realize universal iPS cells that can respond to the need for “one cell for all patients.”

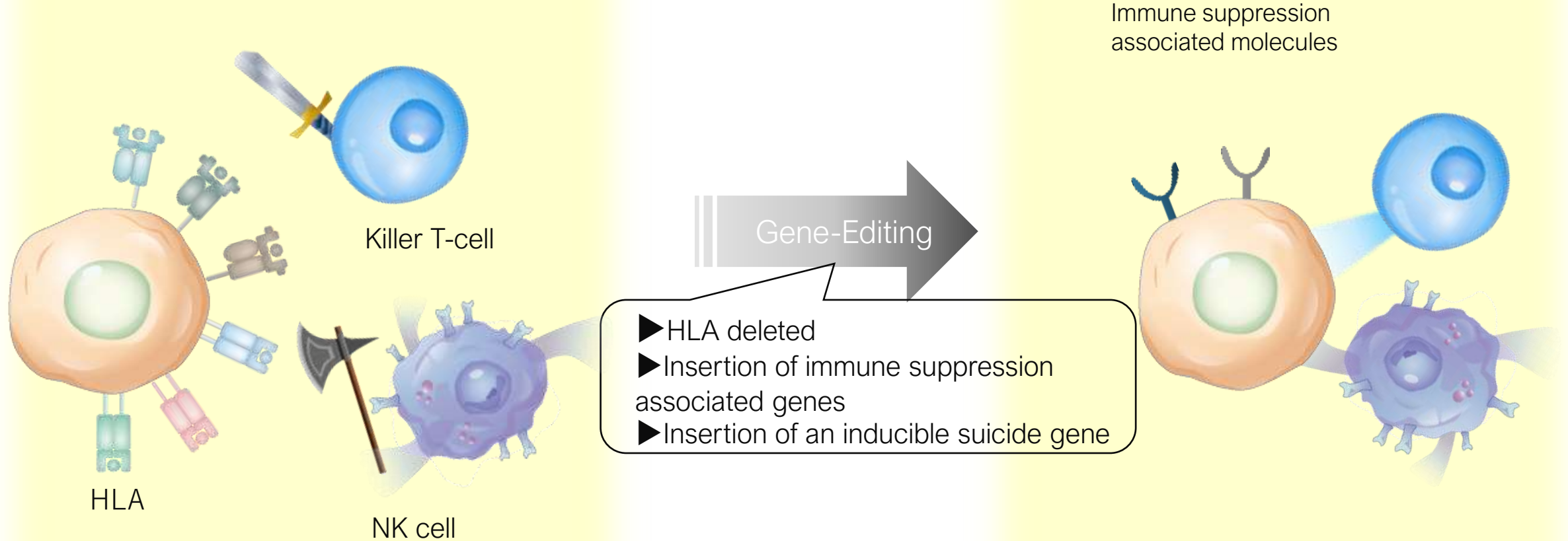
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HLA protein deletion

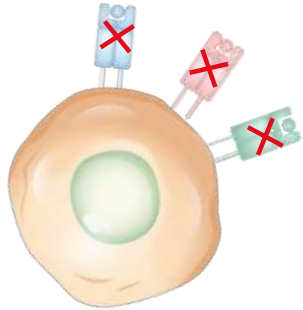


Immune response

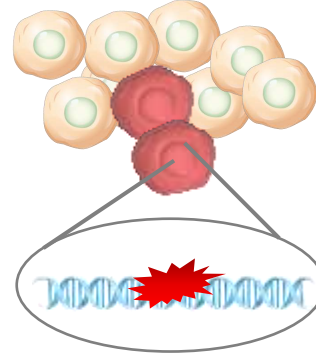


➡ We will produce the immune rejection free iPS cell and realize the safe and universal cell therapy.

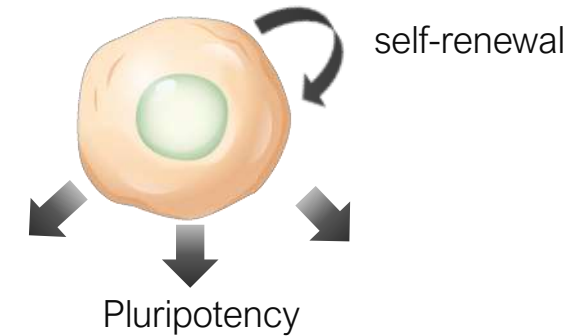
① Check of Gene editing



② Absence of malignant mutations



③ Retain the properties of iPS cells

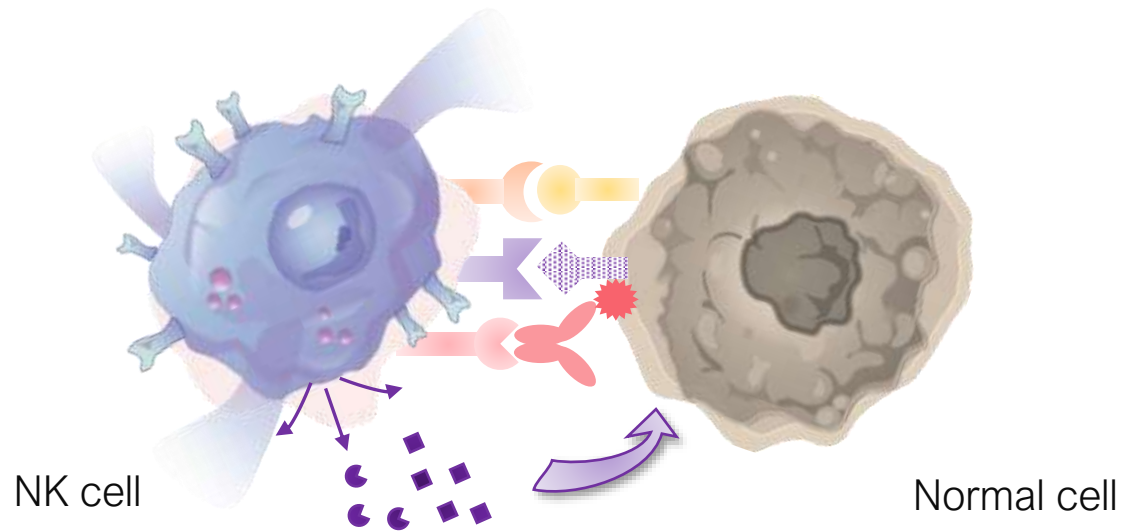


Quality check item	Contents
Check of gene editing	Identification of target region sequence
Expression level of HLA proteins	Loss of HLA Class I expression
	Loss of HLA Class II expression
Transgene expression	Expression of immune suppression associated molecules
	Expression of suicide genes
Gene mutation	No off target issues
	Normal karyotype
	None of cancer associated gene
Attribution	Sterility
	Endotoxin free
	Mycoplasma free
	Gene expression analyses (Comparison with the parent cell line)
	Expression of undifferentiated markers
	Pluripotency (triploblastic differentiation)
	None of immunogenicity
	Function of suicide genes



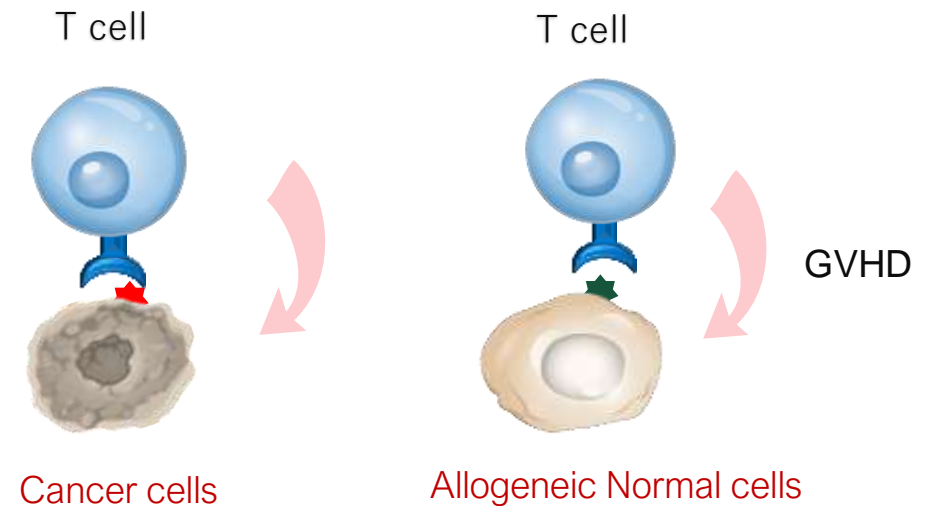
NK Cells

NK Cells :

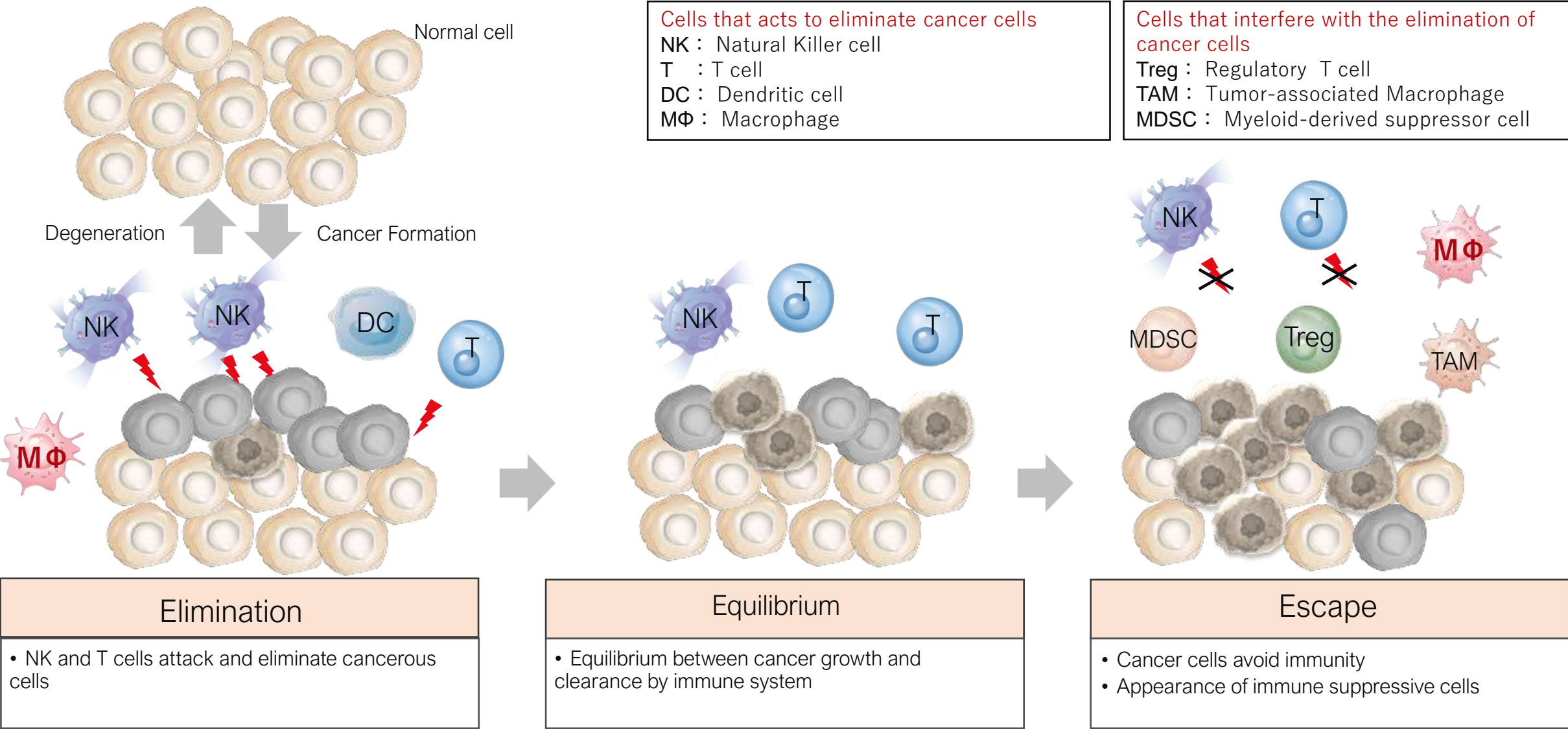


- NK cells are large granular lymphocytes (LGL) and critical to the innate immune system. The role of NK cells is to recognize and attack abnormal cells, such as cancer cells and virus-infected cells.

Superiority of NK cells to T cells



- Graft-versus-host disease (GVHD) occur in allogeneic T cells
- Solid cancers are heterogeneous and have few relevant targets of cancer antigens
- Cytokine syndrome occur in T cells



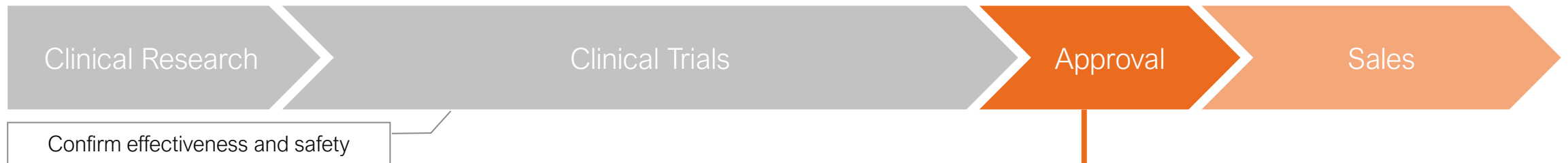
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Drastic reduction in the trial time period and number of patients with “Conditional and Time-limited Authorization System”.

Insurance is listed at ‘Conditional and Time-limited Authorization ’ stage.

Conditional and Time-limited Authorization System

Traditional process of development



Development process upon introduction of early approval system



Orphan regenerative medicine designation is available in cases of rare diseases with small patient numbers and no existing direct treatments.

【Criteria for designation as a rare disease】

1. Number of patients with this disease in Japan is lower than 50,000
2. Unmet medical needs
 - A serious target disease with very high medical needs
 - No alternative drug, medical device, regenerative medicine, or therapy exists
 - A significantly higher efficacy and safety than that of existing drugs, medical devices, or regenerative medicines can be expected
3. A theoretical basis for using regenerative medicines exists and the developmental plan is considered appropriate

【Benefits of receiving orphan designation】

- Granting of subsidies to reduce development expenses
- Tax measures, priority advice and consultations and priority review
- Longer Reexamination period

ARDS is also a rare disease with an estimated incidence of 7,000 to 12,000 patients per year.

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