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# Mission to Create Life-Saving Therapies For Patients With Cancer and Other Diseases With High Unmet Needs



## **Proprietary Gene Circuit Technologies**

Synthetic biology platform enables enhanced precision, control, and activity to be programmed into cell and gene therapies



## IND for First-in-Class CAR-NK Cell Therapy in 2H 2023

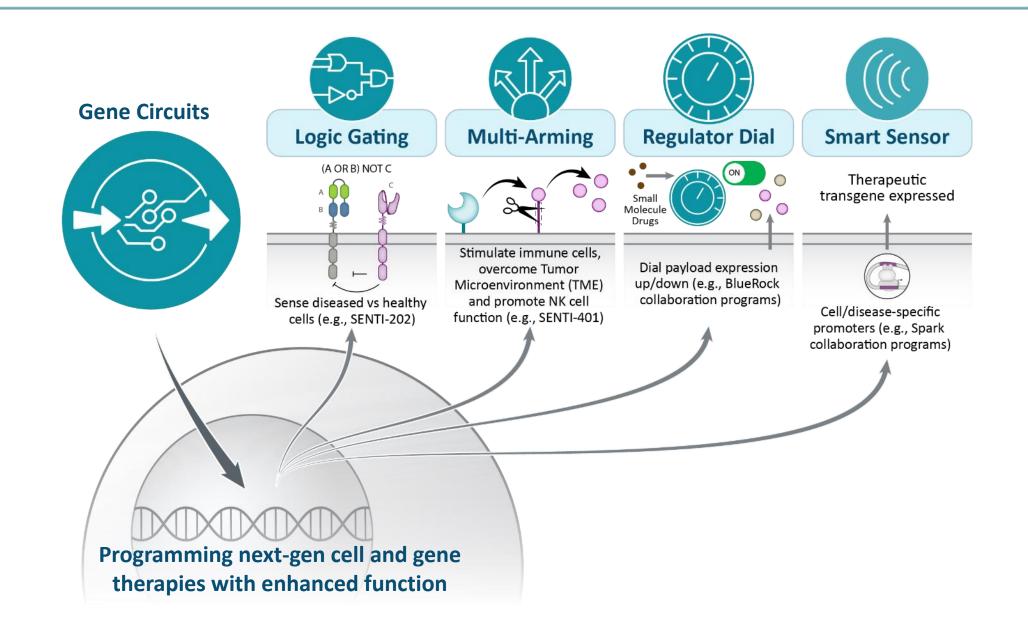
Pipeline aims to solve challenges of liquid and solid tumors with Logic Gating and Multi-Arming, starting with SENTI-202 in AML

## **Strategic Partnerships in Non-Oncology Indications**

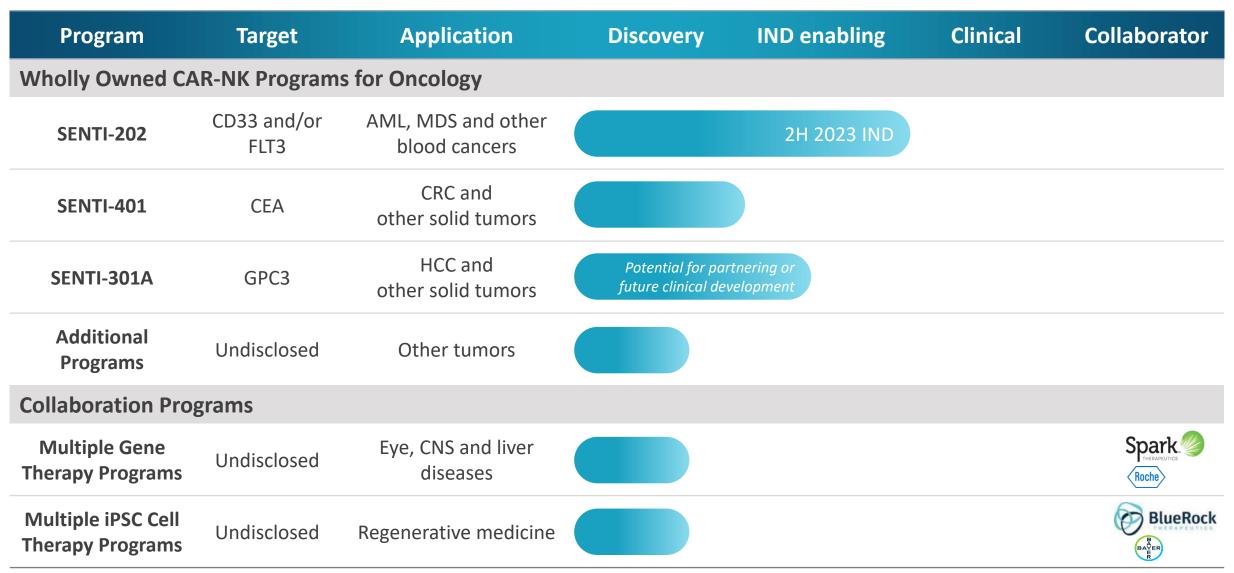
Collaborations with Spark (Roche) and BlueRock (Bayer) to program gene circuits into next-gen AAV and iPSC-derived cell therapies

# Gene Circuit Technologies for Enhanced Precision, Control, and Activity





## Internal Focus on Oncology, Partnering to Support Non-Oncology Indications





## Re-imagining Cancer Treatment with Gene Circuit-Powered CAR-NK Cells



#### **Gene circuits for smarter cancer therapies**

- ✓ Protect healthy cells with NOT Logic Gate
- ✓ Avoid antigen escape with OR Logic Gate
- ✓ Increase cancer killing with cytokine Multi-Arming
- ✓ Empower a variety of modalities including NK and T cells

#### Peripheral blood NKs unlock many advantages

- ✓ True NK function over other cell sources such as iPSCs
- ✓ Extensive clinical experience¹
- ✓ Well-tolerated with no/minimal CRS, neuro tox, GvHD²
- ✓ 19% CR rate (aggregated) in 105 R/R AML patients²

## **Proprietary crIL-15 to increase NK cell function**

Persistence and durability are key limitations of unengineered NK cells

- ✓ crIL-15 increases CAR-NK cancer killing and persistence
- ✓ crlL-15 activates neighboring immune cells in the endogenous immune system a key feature for treating solid tumors

## Off-the-shelf manufacturing for broader access

- ✓ Scalable and cost-effective manufacturing process
- Proprietary expansion and cryopreservation processes
- Extensive donor selection process to minimize variability

# Expanding the Range of CAR Cell Therapies Beyond CD19/BCMA With Potentially Enhanced Efficacy and Precision

SENTI-301A **SENTI-202 SENTI-401** (Focus on AML) (Focus on CRC) (Focus on HCC) + Activating CAR Elimination of cancer cells + Inhibitory CAR NA\* Protection of healthy cells + Calibrated release IL-15 (crIL-15) Enhanced NK cell expansion, persistence and tumor killing + IL-21 Multi-Arming Overcoming immunosuppressive TME

<sup>\*</sup> GPC3 is selectively expressed on cancer cells

## SENTI-202 Is a First-In-Class Cell Therapy Program With Focus on AML



# Bivalent CD33 and/or FLT3 activating CAR **Endomucin inhibitory CAR** to protect healthy cells Healthy cell protection EMCN Persistence, activation of CAR-NK and immune cells Calibrated release

#### Multi-Armed, off-the-shelf, selective CAR-NK

- OR GATE: bivalent CD33 and/or FLT3 activation →
  potential for deep and durable responses in acute
  myeloid leukemia (AML) and other blood cancers
- NOT GATE: inhibition by endomucin (EMCN)
   protective antigen selectively expressed on
   healthy hematopoietic stem cells (HSCs) →
   potential for improved safety and increased
   therapeutic window
- crIL-15 → potential for increased cell expansion,
   persistence, and tumor killing

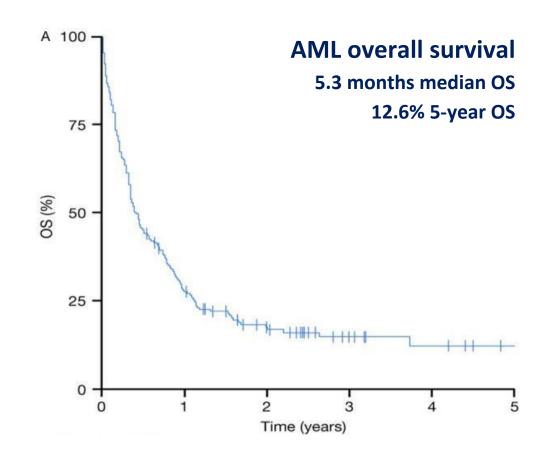
On track for IND in 2H 2023

# Significant Unmet Need in AML Even with Recent Approvals



#### AML is a cancer with very high unmet need

- 20,050 newly diagnosed AML patients in the US with 30.5% 5-year survival<sup>1</sup>
- Majority of patients fail to respond or relapse after up-front therapy
- Prognosis at relapse is grim with ~5-10 months overall survival in R/R AML patients and limited standard of care options that includes FLT3, IDH1/2 inhibitors if relevant mutations are present<sup>2</sup>



# AML is a Heterogenous Disease and Requires Multi-Antigen Targeting



# Other CAR-based therapies currently in clinical development target only one AML antigen leading to tumor escape and eventual patient relapse

		MOA /	<b>Antigen Expression on</b>		
Manufacturer	Modality	Target	LSCs <sup>1</sup>	Blasts <sup>1</sup>	HSCs
SENTI-202	Allogeneic CAR-NK Cells	FLT3 OR CD33	+	+	+
KITE-222	Autologous CAR-T cells	CLL-1	+/-	+	_
UCART123	Allogeneic CAR-T cells	CD123	+/-	+	+/-
NKX101	Allogeneic CAR-NK Cells	NKG2D ligands	-	+	_
VCAR33	Autologous CAR-T Cells	CD33	+/-	+	+/-
CYTO NK-201	Allogeneic CAR-T Cells	FLT3	+	+/-	+

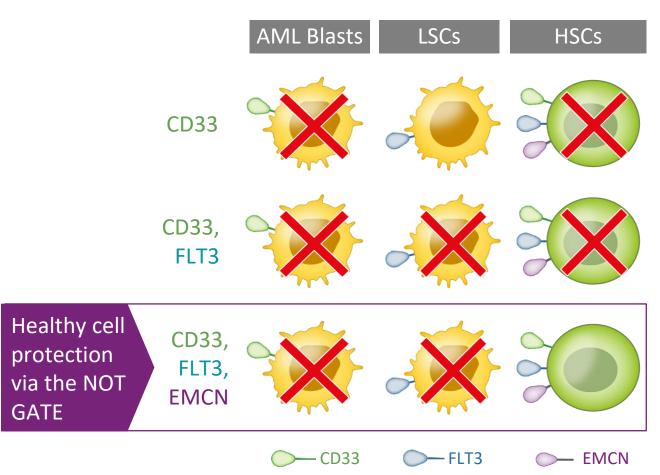
Selectively targeting both FLT3 (LSCs) and/or CD33 (blasts) with SENTI-202 has the potential to provide AML patients with deeper and longer remissions.

<sup>1</sup> Valent Stem Cell Trans. Med. 2020

# Protecting Healthy Bone Marrow Stem Cells Is Integral to Driving Better Patient Outcomes

# AML therapies are typically constrained by on-target, off-tumor toxicity

- Common AML targets are expressed on cancer cells AND healthy HSCs, leading to prolonged aplasia and myelosuppression
- Endomucin was identified and validated as a NOT GATE protective antigen that is expressed on up to 76% of HSCs, but not on LSCs or blasts
- Utilizing the NOT GATE technology enables protection of healthy HSCs, with the potential to widen the therapeutic window

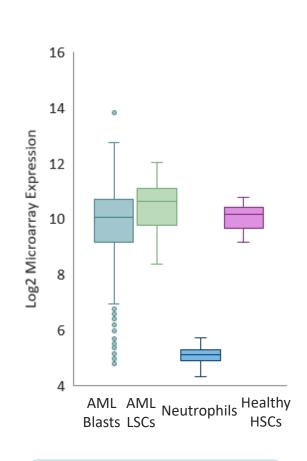


# Senti's Discovery Platform Identified EMCN as a Key Protective Antigen for Healthy HSCs

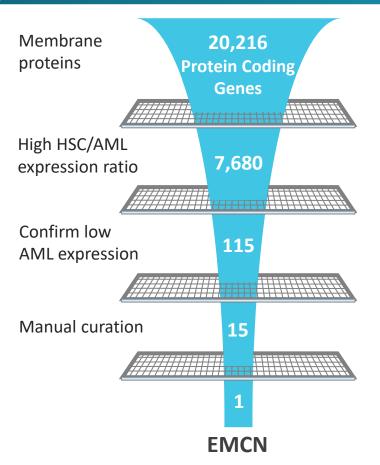


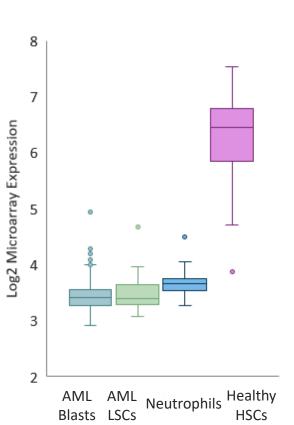


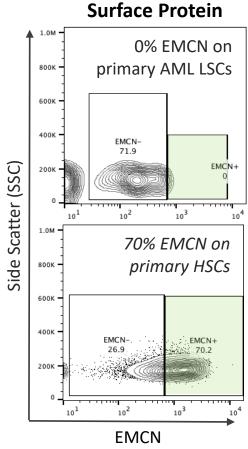
#### Solution and Validation with EMCN Protective Antigen



FLT3 is expressed on healthy HSCs





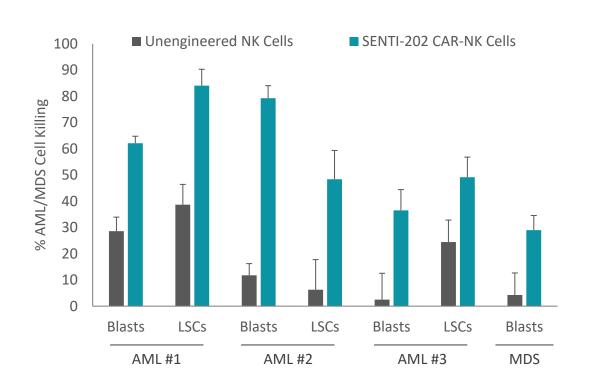


The NOT GATE is designed to use EMCN as a Protective Antigen input to recognize and protect healthy HSCs from off-tumor killing

## SENTI-202 Has Shown Robust Preclinical Cancer Killing Activity

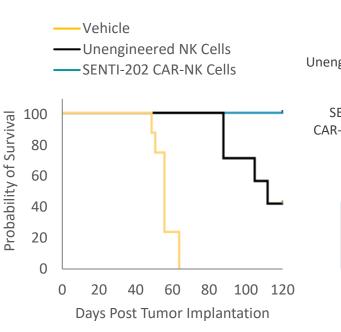


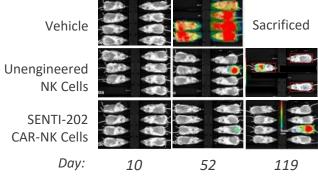
#### *In Vitro* Data



Broad in vitro killing of primary AML and MDS tumor cells and enhanced serial killing activity compared to unengineered NK cells

#### In Vivo Data



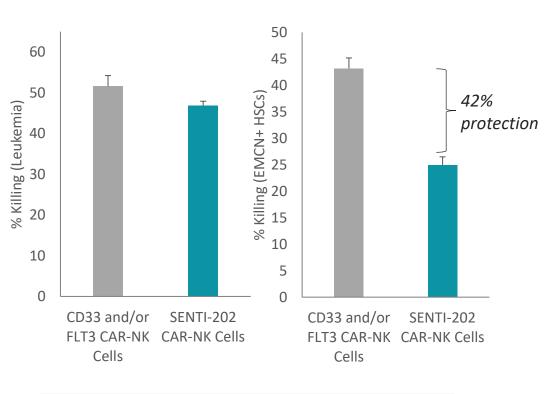


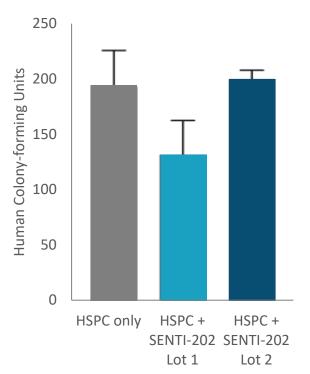
In vivo suppression of tumor and increased mouse survival in MV4-11 AML NSG mouse model

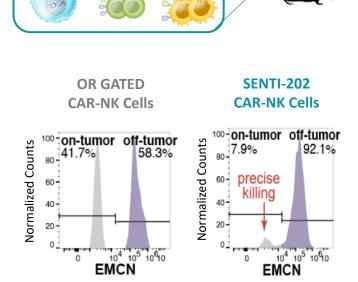
Group	Vehicle	Unengineered NK Cells	SENTI-202 CAR-NK Cells
Median Survival (Days)	56	112	Undefined



I.V. injection







Cancer

Cells

"Healthy"

Cells 50:50

SENTI-202

**CAR-NK Cells** 

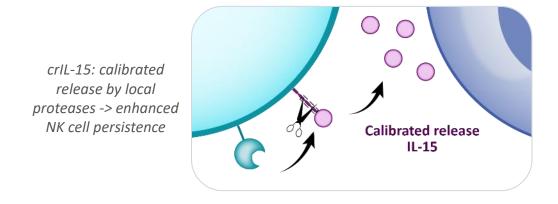
In vitro protection of primary human HSCs expressing EMCN

SENTI-202 preserves colony forming activity of HSPCs

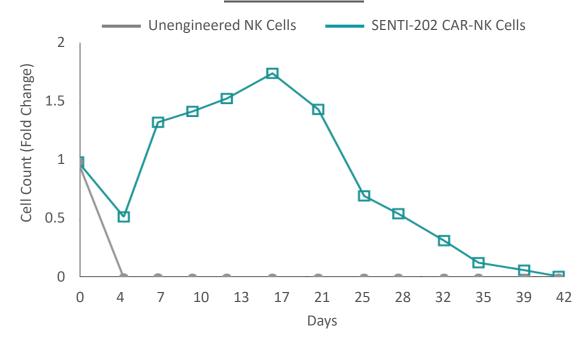
In vivo protection of EMCN+ model healthy cells

#### SENTI-202 Has Enhanced Proliferation and Persistence in Preclinical Studies

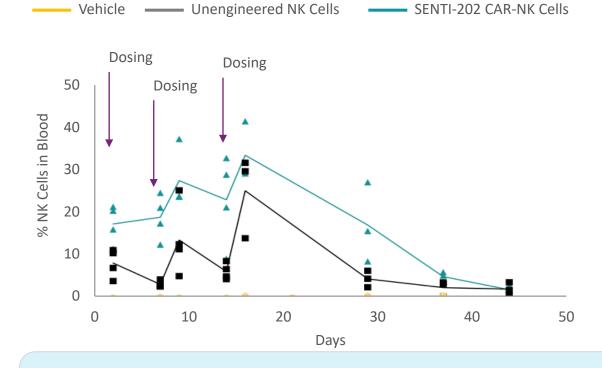




#### In Vitro Data



#### *In Vivo* Data



crIL-15 increases persistence of SENTI-202 CAR-NK cells vs unengineered

NK cells in vitro and in vivo

# Proposed Phase 1 Study in R/R Heme Malignancies With Focus on AML



# Proposed Phase 1 study anticipated to enroll R/R CD33+ and/or FLT3+ heme malignancies

- Modified "3+3" study design
- Received at least 1 prior treatment including targeted agents if FLT3, IDH1/2 mutation+
- 2 of 3 patients at each dose level with AML
- Disease specific expansion cohorts for AML and MDS

#### **Planned study endpoints**

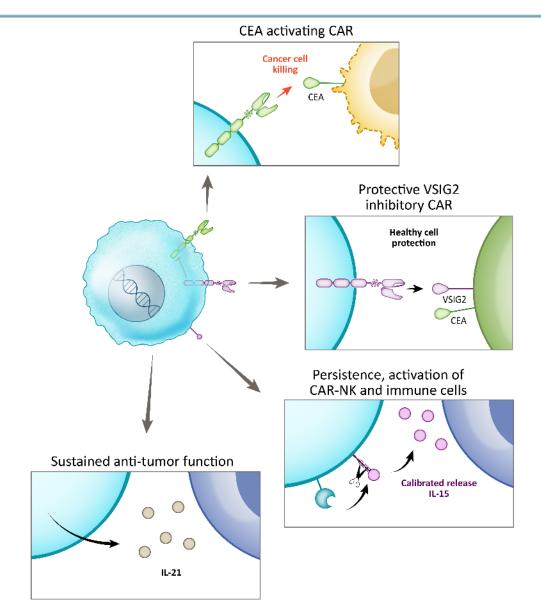
- Safety, DLT, identify recommended Phase 2 dose
- Efficacy using standard ELN 2022 criteria for AML and other disease specific consensus criteria
- PK, pharmacodynamics including endomucin protection, immunogenicity

#### **Planned Study Treatment/ Cycle**

<b>Lymphodepletion</b> <i>Fludarabine Cyclophosphamide</i>		<b>SENTI-202</b> 2-3 dose levels of cells			<b>Efficacy</b> Additional cycles+
Days	-5 to -3	0	7	14	28

Planned data-driven seamless Phase 1 to pivotal design

## SENTI-401 Aims to Enhance the Treatment of Solid Tumors Starting With mCRC



#### Multi-Armed, off-the-shelf, selective CAR-NK

- CEACAM5 (CEA) activating CAR → metastatic
   colorectal cancer (mCRC) and other solid tumors
- NOT GATE: inhibition by VSIG2 antigen on healthy epithelial cells → potential for improved safety, increased therapeutic window and reduced ontarget, off-tumor toxicity
- crIL-15 → potential for increased cell expansion,
   persistence, and tumor killing
- IL-21 → construct to further potentiate
   persistence and efficacy of CAR-NK cells and to
   stimulate endogenous immune cells

## SENTI-401 Addresses Key Limitations of Cell Therapies for Solid Tumors Like CRC

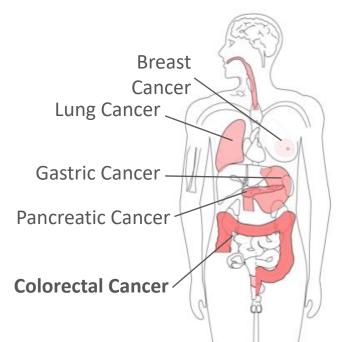
#### **CEA** is an attractive cancer target

- CEA is overexpressed in several solid tumors, including CRC (~85-90% CEA+) as well as NSCLC, gastric and esophageal cancers
- CEA-targeted adoptive T cell trials reported objective regression but also observed colitis and lung toxicity potentially from on-target, offtumor toxicity<sup>1</sup>

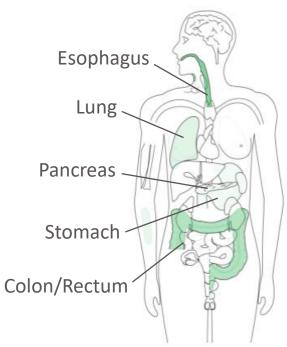
#### Cell therapies need to overcome the TME

- SENTI-401 is designed to target CEA expressing tumors while minimizing on-target, off-tumor toxicity using a NOT GATE
- SENTI-401 is Multi-Armed with crlL-15 and IL-21 to overcome the immunosuppressive milieu of solid tumors

# Tumor Types With CEA Overexpression<sup>2</sup>

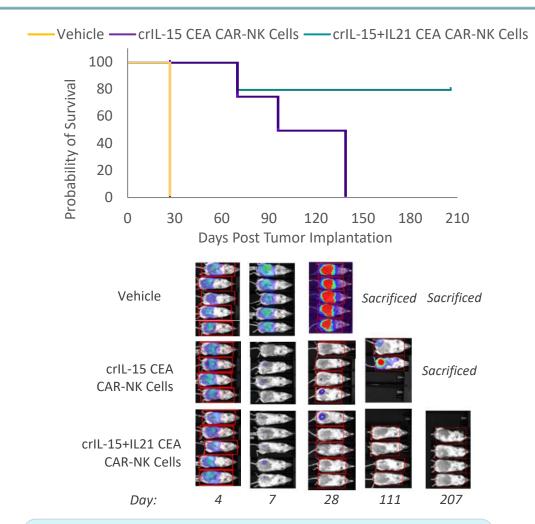


# Healthy Tissues With CEA Overexpression<sup>2</sup>



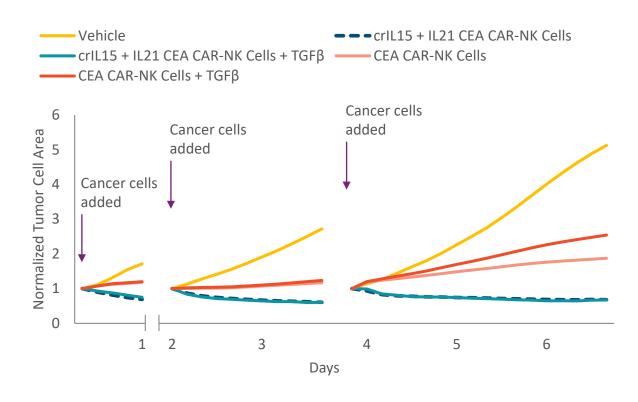
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Parkhurst, et al., <sup>2</sup> Median expression of tumor and normal samples in body map (Log2 (TPM+1) scale) source: TCGA, Gtex and Nat Genetics 2020 [GSE132465],

# SENTI-401 Preclinical Killing Activity Is Enhanced by crIL-15 and IL-21 Multi-Arming



Arming CEA CAR-NKs with the combination of Senti's proprietary crIL-15 and IL-21 results in improved antitumor activity of NK cells against LoVo CRC model

# TGF $\beta$ is an immunosuppressive tumor factor highly expressed in CRC, known to suppress immune activation and help tumor escape<sup>1</sup>



crIL-15 increases CAR-NK cell persistence and IL-21 sustained serial killing against Ls174t CRC cell line even in the presence of the immunosuppressive cytokine  $TGF\beta$ 

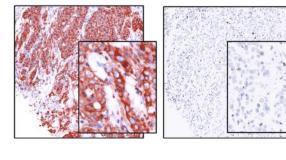
<sup>1</sup> Nature 2018

# SENTI-401 Includes an iCAR Recognizing VSIG2 to Potentially Reduce On-Target,

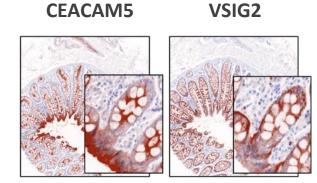
# **Tumor Toxicity**

VSIG2 was identified by bioinformatics using single cell RNA sequencing and validated as protective antigen with immunohistochemistry

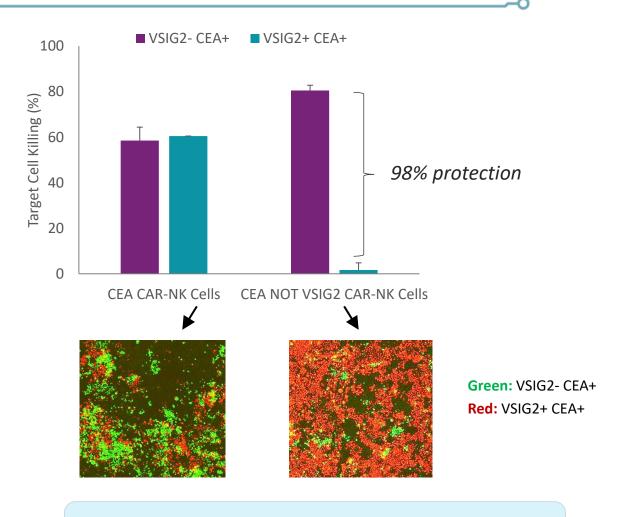
Colorectal cancer



Healthy colon epithelium



CEACAM5: 85-90% of CRC and 40-60% of other solid tumors including lung cancer<sup>1</sup>



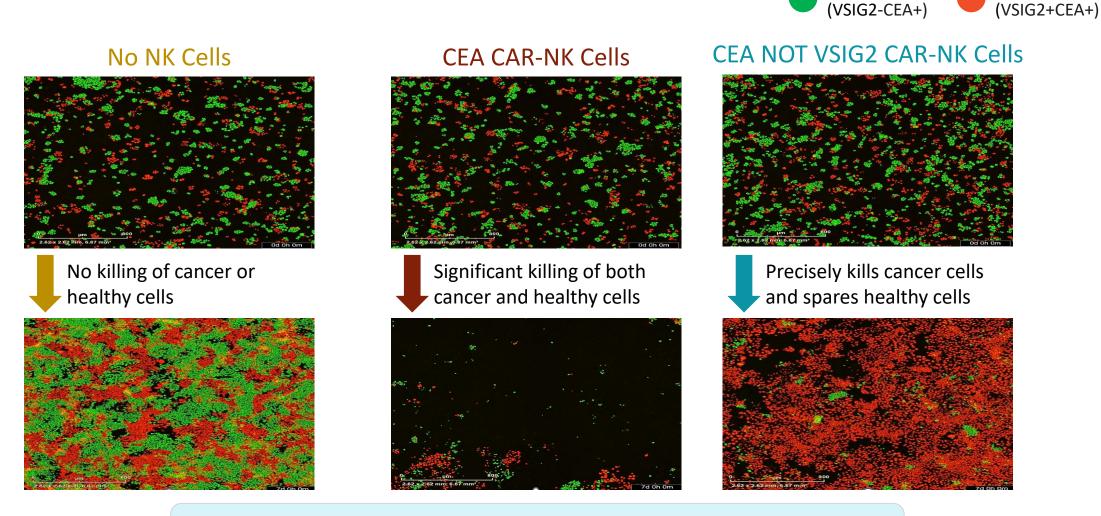
Decreased cell killing of VSIG2 expressing model healthy cells in DLD1 CRC cell line with addition of inhibitory CAR construct

<sup>1</sup>Goldstein 2005

Model healthy cells

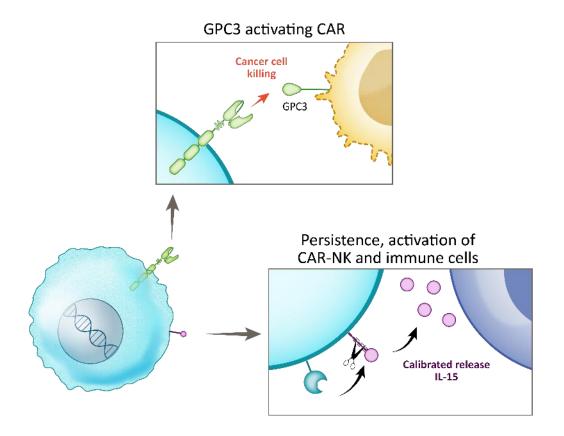
Cancer cells

# NOT GATE Spares VSIG2+ Expressing Cells While Maintaining CEA+ Cancer Killing



CEA NOT VSIG2 CAR-NK cells spare VSIG2-expressing model healthy cells while maintaining robust on-target, on-tumor killing of CEA+ cancer cells

## SENTI-301A Aims to Address Unmet Needs in Solid Tumors With a Focus on HCC



#### Multi-Armed, off-the-shelf, selective CAR-NK

- GPC3 activating CAR → hepatocellular carcinoma
   (HCC) and other solid tumors
- crIL-15 → potential for increased cell expansion,
   persistence, and tumor killing

Pursuing strategic geographic partnerships to enable clinical development in areas with high HCC incidence

# SENTI-301A Is Designed to Tackle GPC3+ Expressing Solid Tumors

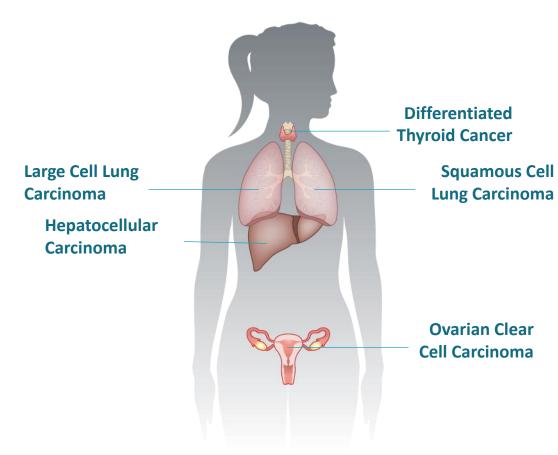


#### **GPC3** is an attractive cancer target

- Glypican-3 (GPC3) is a membrane-bound protein normally expressed in fetal tissues such as liver and placenta.
- GPC3 is overexpressed in different tumor types, notably in HCC (70-90% GPC3+)<sup>1</sup> and other solid tumors (29-54%<sup>2</sup> GPC3+)
- Academic GPC3 CAR-T cell trials have shown promising activity but limited by CAR-T toxicities precluding multiple dosing and limited durability<sup>3</sup>

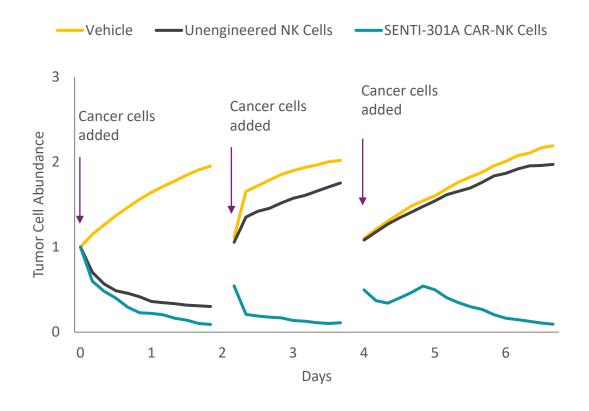
# SENTI-301A is designed to target GPC3 expressing tumors

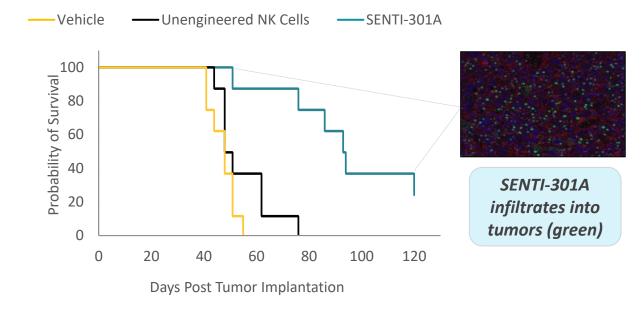
- Aim to address unmet need in HCC as the initial focus given the lack of targeted therapies and lack of effective immunotherapies
- Tackle multiple solid tumors with high GPC3 antigen expression via NKs multi-armed with GPC3 CAR and crIL-15



Common GPC3 expressing tumors

## SENTI-301A Has Robust Preclinical Activity in Preclinical Models of Liver Cancer





Group	Vehicle	Unengineered NK Cells	SENTI-301A CAR-NK Cells
Median Survival (Days)	48	49.5	93.5

Effective in vitro serial killing of HepG2 cell line

Increased survival, tumor infiltration and response in HepG2 mouse model

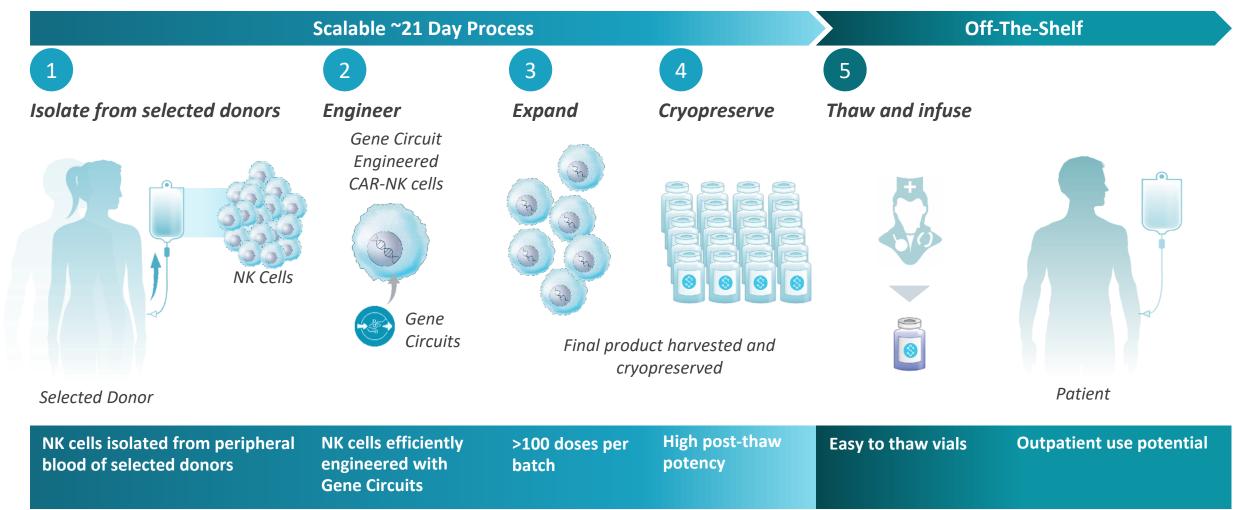
# Peripheral Blood-Sourced NK Cells Provide Multiple Advantages for Next Generation CAR-NK Cell Therapies

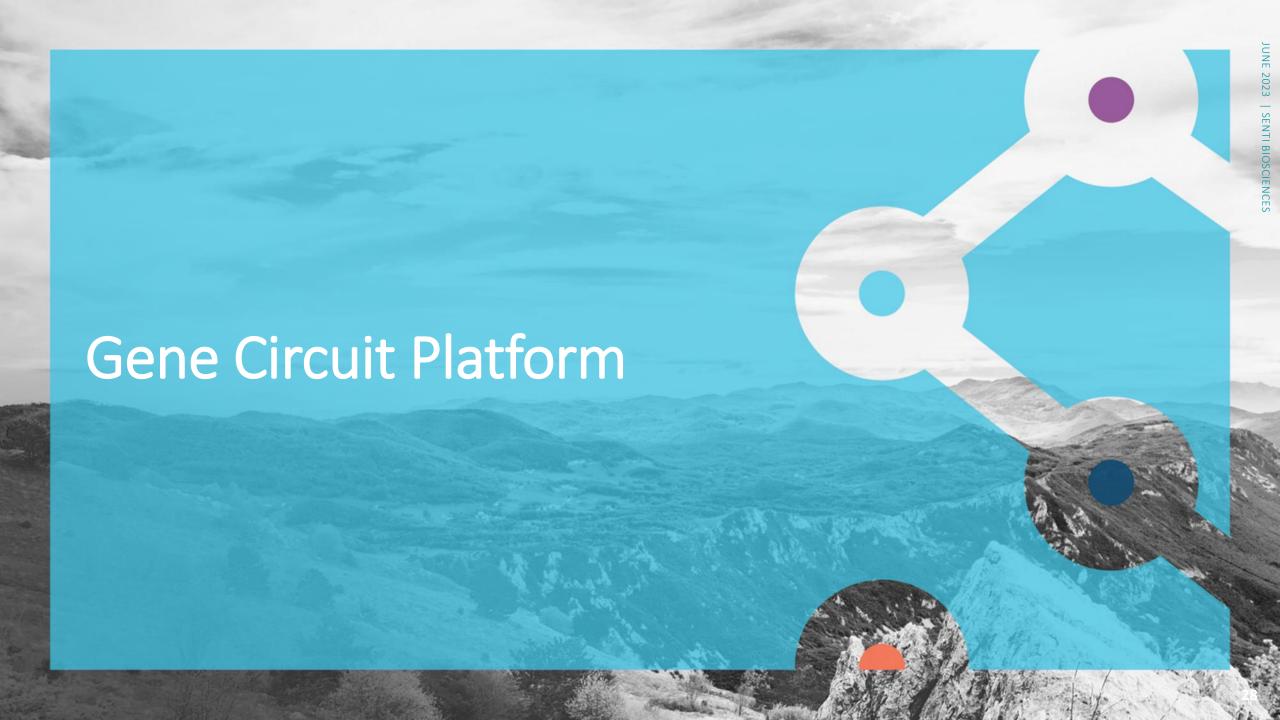


Features	<b>Cord Blood NK Cells</b>	iPSC-Derived NK-Like Cells	Peripheral Blood NK Cells
NK Cell Expandability	Increased expansion potential but smaller number of starting cells	Similar expandability to peripheral blood	Established methods for 1,000- 10,000-fold expansion in 14-21 days
Potency and Function	More immature repertoire of NK cells	Unclear if identical to primary NK cells	Full repertoire of functional and mature NK cells
Genetic Engineering	Well established protocols for genetic engineering	iPSC engineering and clone selection with extensive pre-clinical characterization	Well established protocols for genetic engineering
GMP Process Maturity	Established unit operations for clinical process	More complex, multistage process	Well established unit operations for clinical process with defined path for commercial scaling process
Clinical Experience	Modest clinical experience with 30+ clinical trials using cord-derived NK cells	Limited clinical experience - 4 clinical trials using iPSC derived NK cells	Widely used NK cell source in clinical trials with ~70 clinical trials using peripheral NK cells

Peripheral blood-sourced NK cells provide a full repertoire of functional NK cells, a mature GMP process, and extensive clinical experience to enable our next generation CAR-NK cell therapies

# Senti's Scalable Manufacturing Process to Support Off-The-Shelf CAR-NK Products



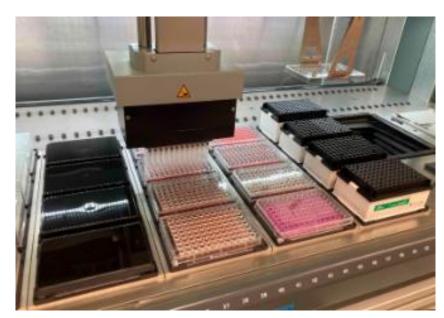


# Gene Circuit Technology Has Broad Applicability Across Multiple Modalities and Therapeutic Areas

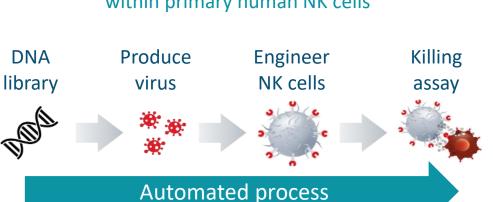
SENTI BIO **Blood cancers NK cells** Solid tumors Wholly-Owned Programs with Multi-Arming **Opportunities for Future Development Blood cancers** T cells Solid tumors **Logic Gating Immunology** SENTI BIO **Blood cancers Opportunities** Solid tumors in vivo Gene **Regulator Dial** for Future Liver diseases Gene Circuit Therapy Spark. **Development** Eye diseases and Additional **Technology CNS Partnering Smart Sensor** Regenerative BlueRock **iPSCs** medicine

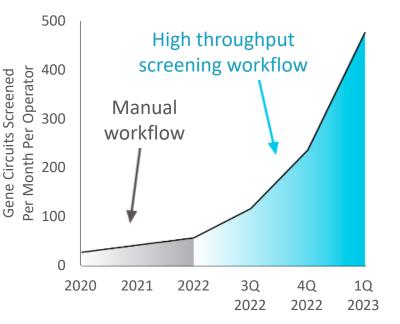
## High Throughput Screening (HTS) Of Gene Circuits in NK and T Cells

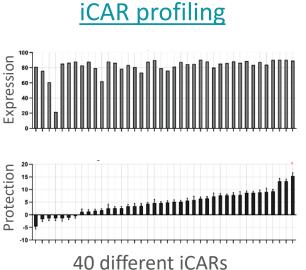




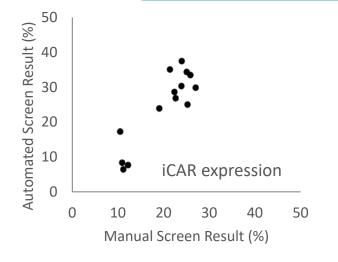
State-of-the-art, integrated system for screening gene circuit libraries in one continuous process within primary human NK cells

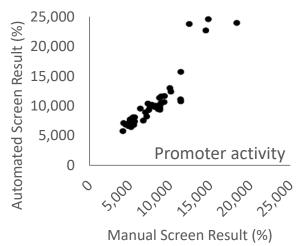






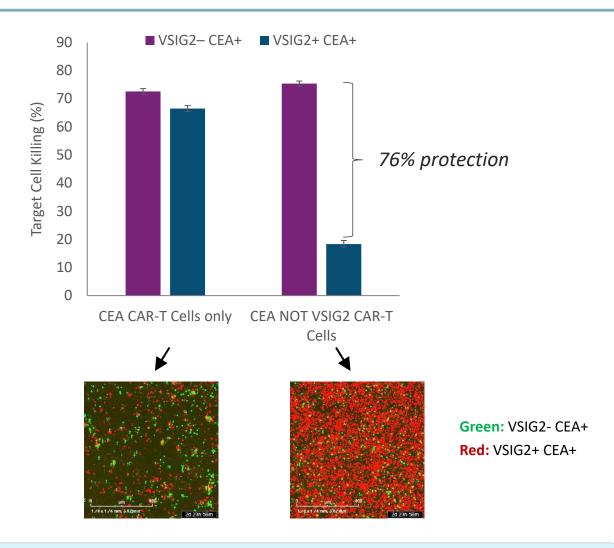
#### **Automated vs Manual Screening**





## NOT GATE Gene Circuit Validation in CAR-T Cells





VSIG2 inhibitory CAR-T construct achieves robust protection of model healthy cells while effectively killing cancer cells

# Gene Circuit Technology For AAV Gene Therapy



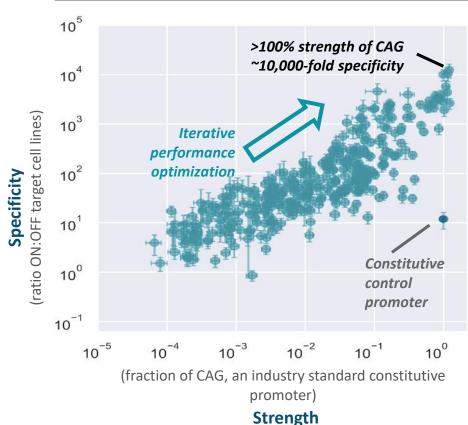


AAV gene therapy with cell type-specific Smart Sensor for CNS, eye and liver applications

# Senti synthetic promoter performance profile: Senti synthetic promoter payload expression in ON Target cell type Capsid Therapeutic payload expression in OFF Target cell type cell type

# Compact promoter size to accommodate therapeutic payload transgene within ~4.5 kb AAV vector

#### **Smart Sensor promoter data**



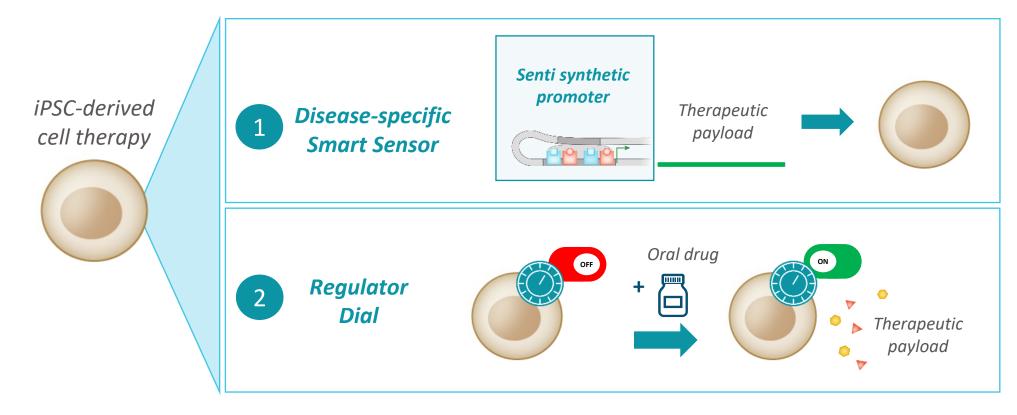
Smart Sensor promoters increase specificity to target cells thus limiting off-target cell toxicities and increase strength, potentially enabling more efficacious therapies

# Gene Circuit Technology For iPSC-Derived Cell Therapy





BlueRock iPSC-derived cell therapy with disease-specific Smart Sensor and Regulator Dial for regenerative medicine



Collaboration aims to use Regulator Dial to control IL-12 expression using FDA approved small molecule drugs as well as Smart Sensors promoters to control macrophage polarization logic

# Continued Execution Across Wholly Owned and Partnered Programs



# Preclinical validation across multiple applications

- Gene circuit technology being applied across NK cells, T cells, AAVs and IPSCs
- Platform enables smarter cell and gene therapies for oncology, ocular disease, neurodegenerative disease and more

# Clear focus on bringing gene circuits into the clinic

- SENTI-202 is a first-in-class CAR-NK program for AML on track for IND submission and clearance in 2H 2023
- SENTI-401 is a pipeline in a product for multiple solid tumors
- Gene circuit-enabled collaborations for applications outside of oncology are advancing with continued validation

# Strong execution on pipeline and manufacturing timelines

- Experienced management team with track record of executing on timelines and accelerating innovating therapies
- Strategic plan for 2023:
  - Validate gene circuit-powered CAR-NK and partnered programs at key conferences
  - Manufacture GMP batches to support SENTI-202 IND filing
  - Pursue strategic geographic partnerships for SENTI-301A
- Cash runway expected to fund operations through at least 1Q 2024

