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# Engineering the Future of Cell and Gene Therapies

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### **Proprietary Gene Circuit Technologies**

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



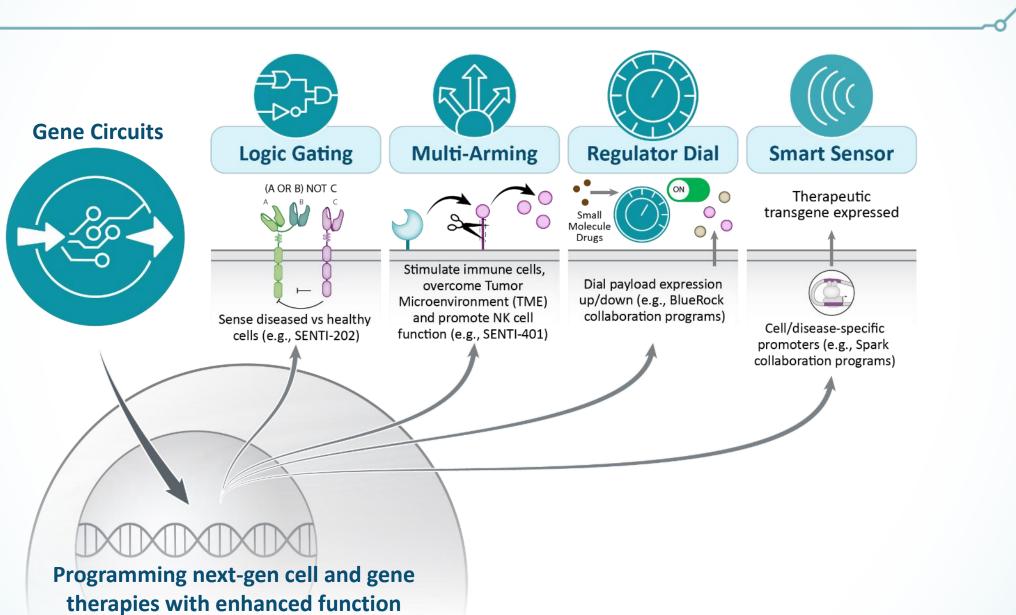
# IND for First-in-Class CAR-NK Cell Therapy in 2H 2023

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



Program	Target	Application	Discovery	IND enabling	Clinical	Collaborator
Wholly Owned CA	R-NK Program	s for Oncology				
SENTI-202	CD33 and/or FLT3	AML, MDS and other blood cancers		2H 2023 IND		
SENTI-401	CEA	CRC and other solid tumors				
SENTI-301A	GPC3	HCC and other solid tumors	Potential for par future clinical dev			
Additional Programs	Undisclosed	Other tumors				
<b>Collaboration Prog</b>	grams					
Multiple Gene Therapy Programs	Undisclosed	Eye, CNS and liver diseases				Spark Roche
Multiple iPSC Cell Therapy Programs	Undisclosed	Regenerative medicine				BlueRock

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# CAR-NK Pipeline and Manufacturing

#### **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 experience<sup>1</sup>
- ✓ Well-tolerated with no/minimal CRS, neuro tox, GvHD<sup>2</sup>
- ✓ 19% CR rate (aggregated) in 105 R/R AML patients<sup>2</sup>

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

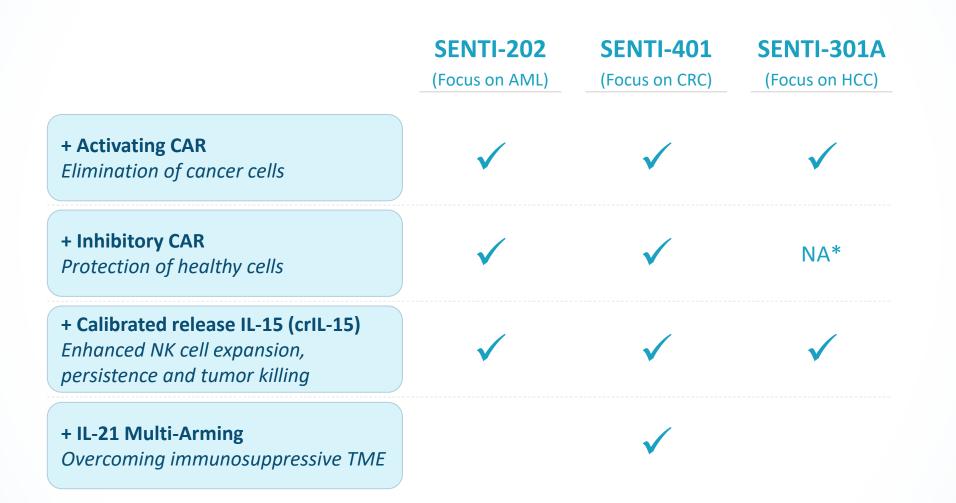
Persistence and durability are key limitations of unengineered NK cells

- ✓ crIL-15 increases CAR-NK cancer killing and persistence
- crIL-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

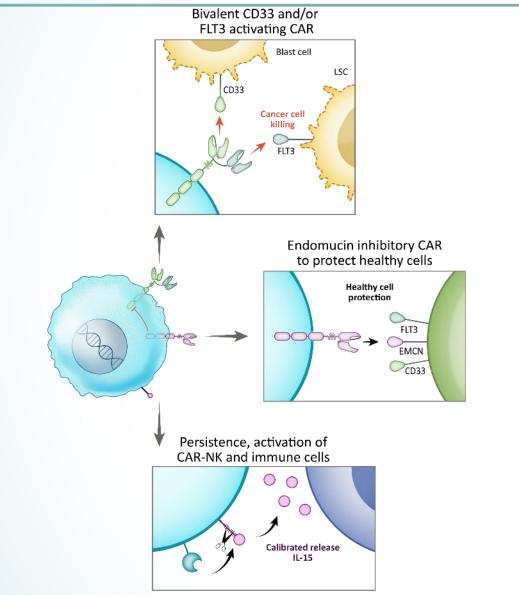
# Expanding the Range of CAR Cell Therapies Beyond CD19/BCMA With Potentially Enhanced Efficacy and Precision



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



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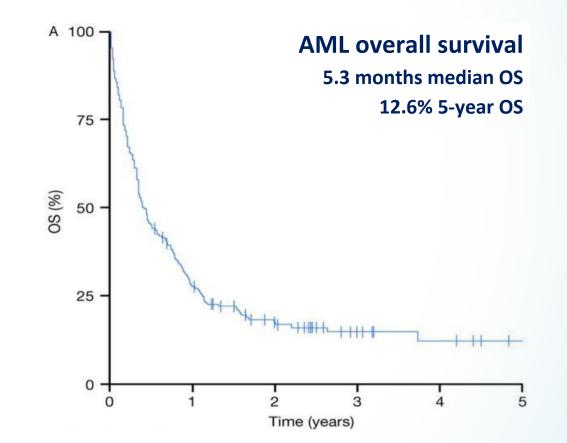
#### Multi-Armed, off-the-shelf, selective CAR-NK

- 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

#### 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>



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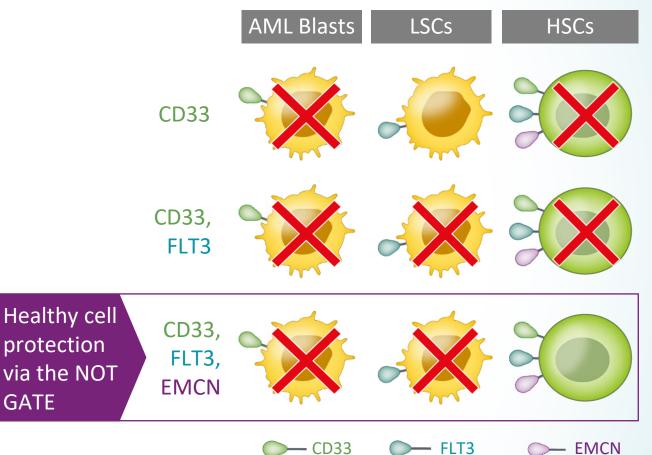
Other CAR-based therapies currently in clinical development target only one AML antigen leading to tumor escape and eventual patient relapse

		MOA /	Antigen Expression on		on on
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	+/-	÷	-
UCART12	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	÷	+/-	+

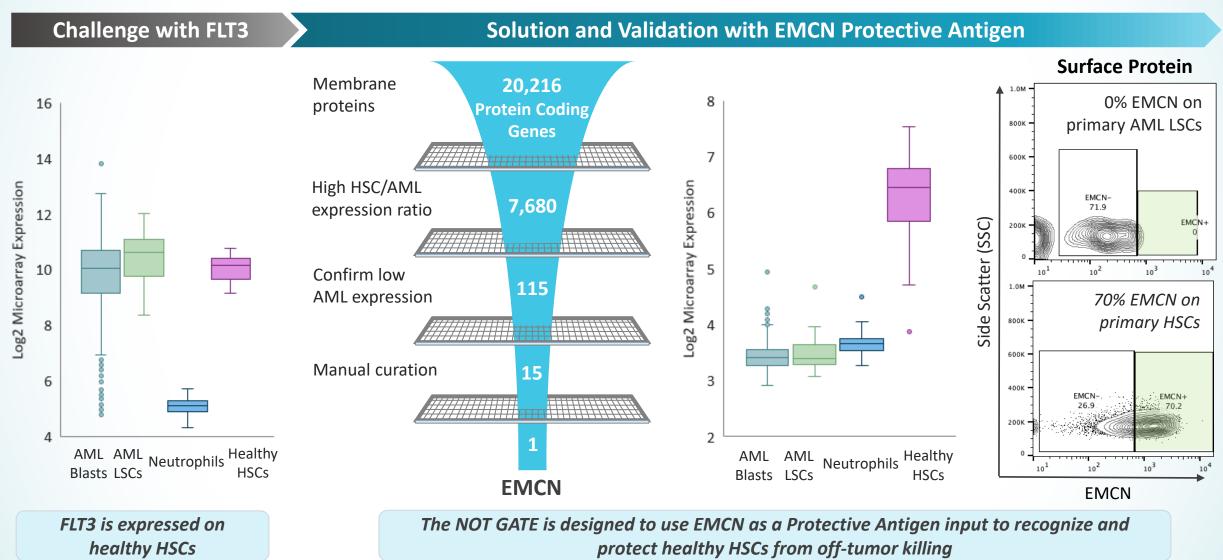
Selectively targeting both FLT3 (LSCs) and/or CD33 (blasts) with SENTI-202 has the potential to provide AML patients with deeper and longer remissions. Protecting Healthy Bone Marrow Stem Cells Is Integral to Driving Better Patient Outcomes

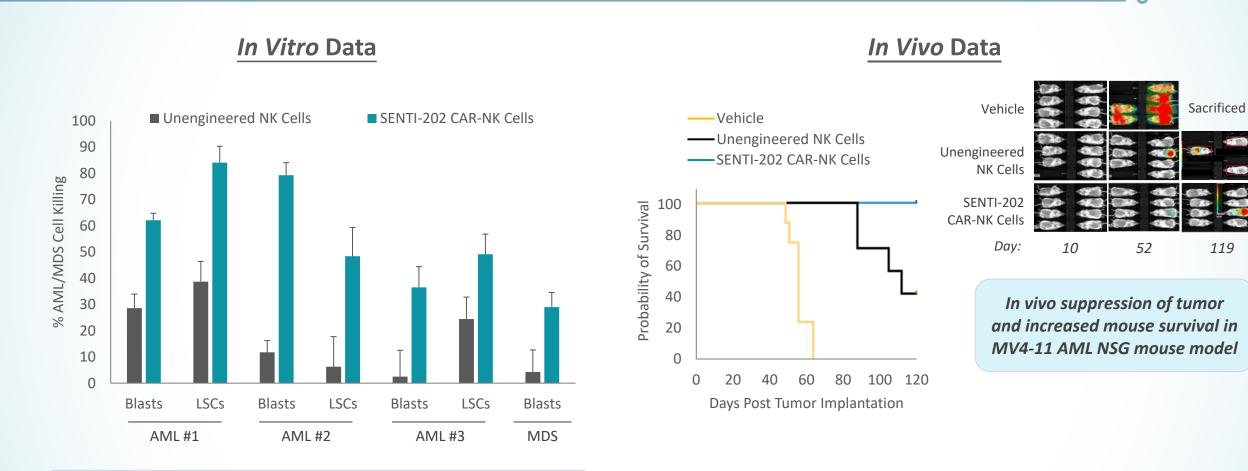
# AML therapies are typically constrained by on-target, off-tumor toxicity

- 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



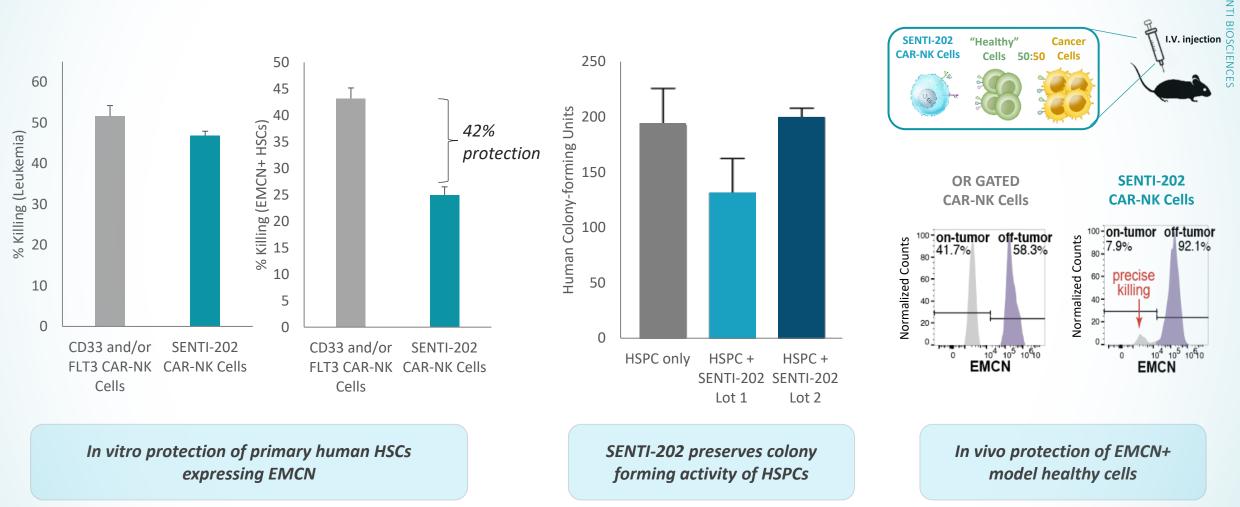


Broad in vitro killing of primary AML and MDS tumor cells and enhanced serial killing activity compared to unengineered NK cells

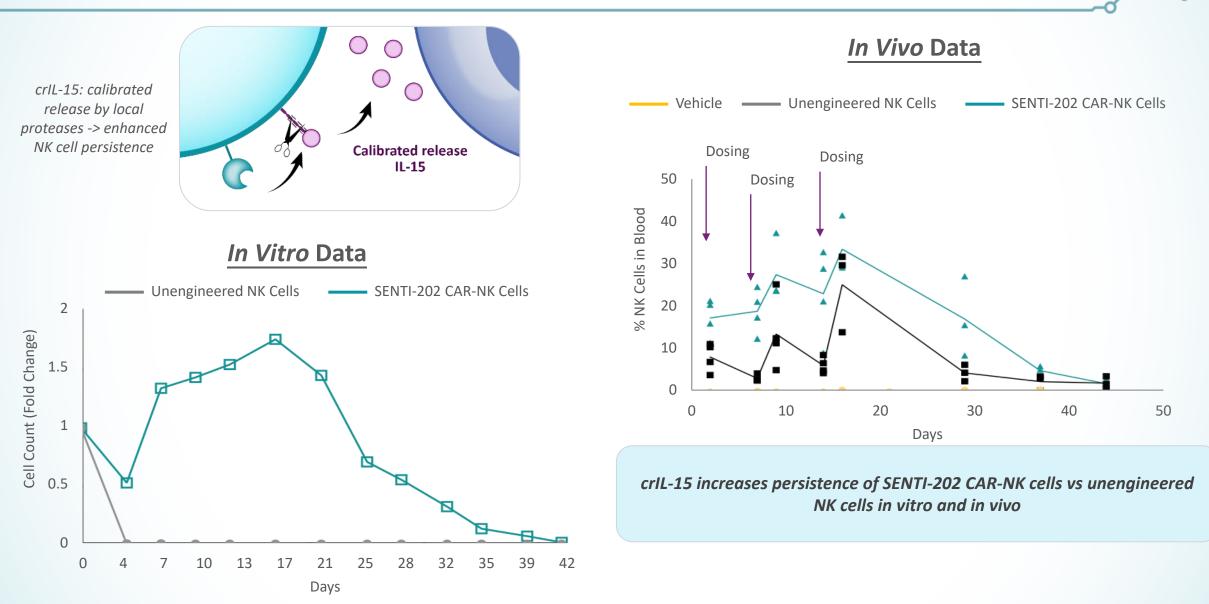
Group	Vehicle	Unengineered NK Cells	SENTI-202 CAR-NK Cells	
Median Survival (Days)	56	112	Undefined	

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### SENTI-202 Has Shown Strong Preclinical Selectivity and HSC Protection



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



#### 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

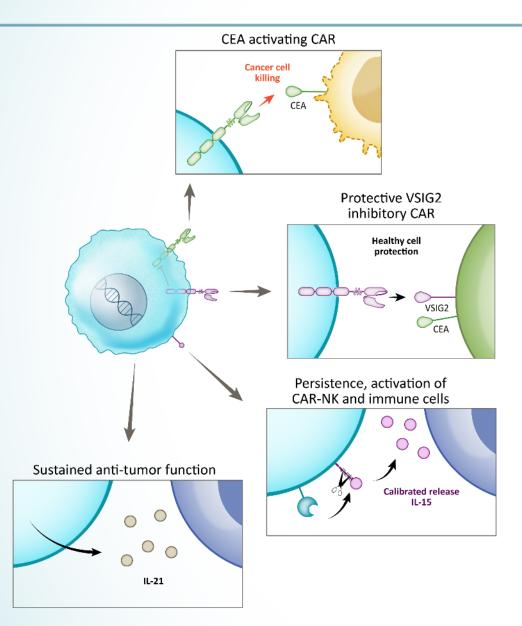
#### Planned Study Treatment/ Cycle

<b>Lymphodepletion</b> Fludarabine Cyclophosphamide		<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



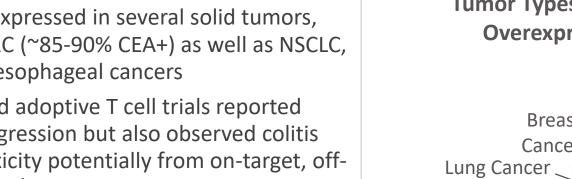
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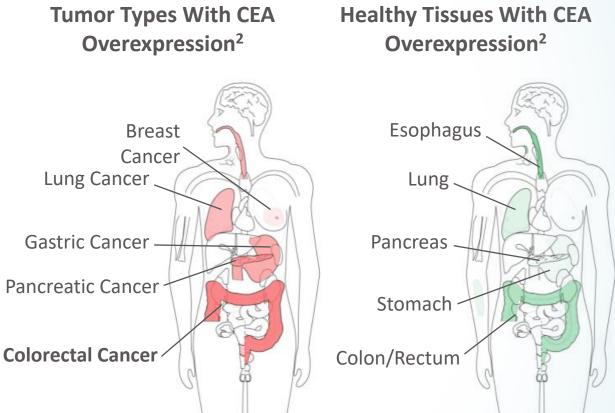
#### **CEA** is an attractive cancer target

- CEA is overexpressed in several solid tumors, ٠ 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 crIL-15 and IL-21 to overcome the immunosuppressive milieu of solid tumors

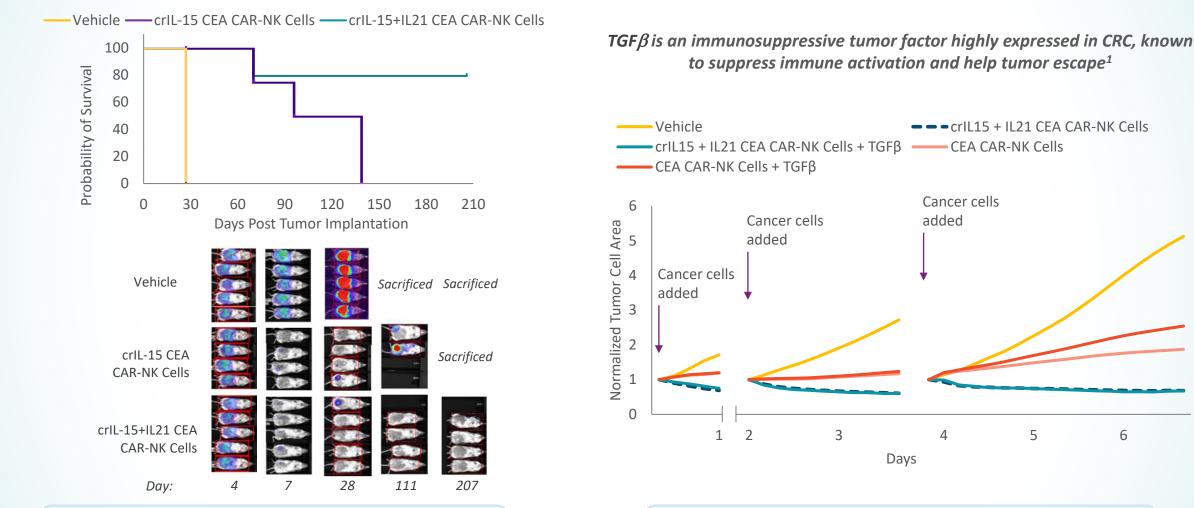




# SENTI-401 Preclinical Killing Activity Is Enhanced by crIL-15 and IL-21 Multi-Arming



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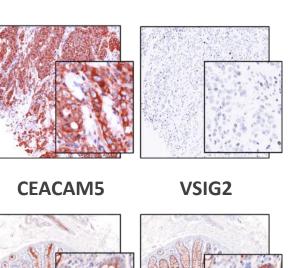
crIL-15 increases CAR-NK cell persistence and IL-21 sustained serial killing against Ls174t CRC cell line even in the presence of the immunosuppressive cytokine TGF $\beta$ 

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

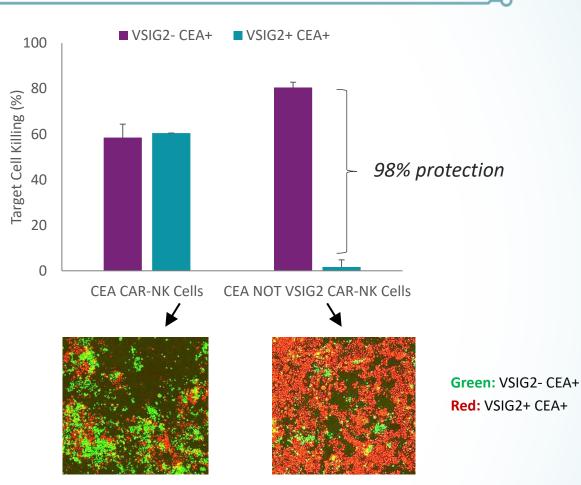
VSIG2 was identified by bioinformatics using single cell RNA sequencing and validated as protective antigen with immunohistochemistry

Colorectal cancer



Healthy colon epithelium

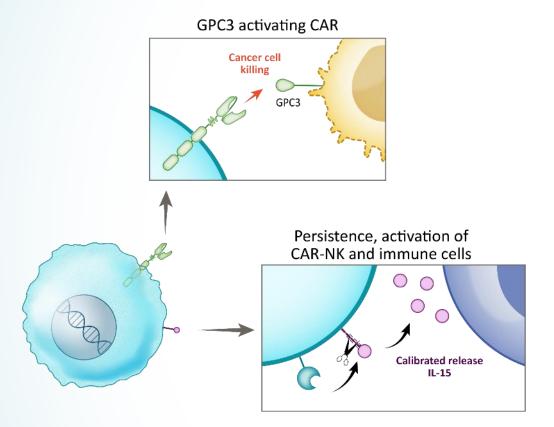
> CEACAM5: 85-90% of CRC and 40-60% of other solid tumors including lung cancer<sup>1</sup>



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



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#### 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

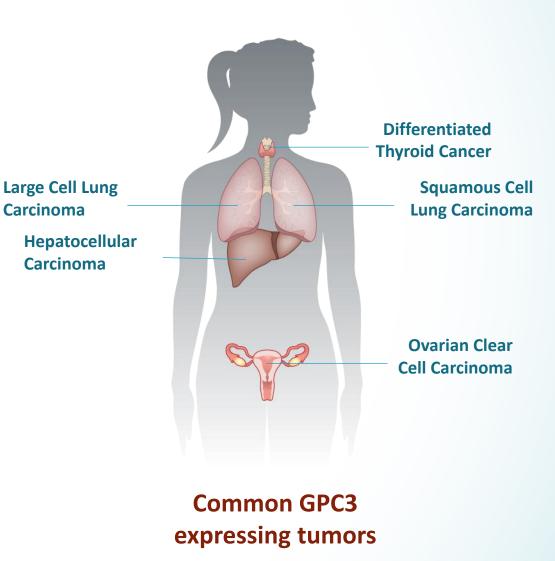
Pursuing strategic geographic partnerships to enable clinical development in areas with high HCC incidence

#### **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



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

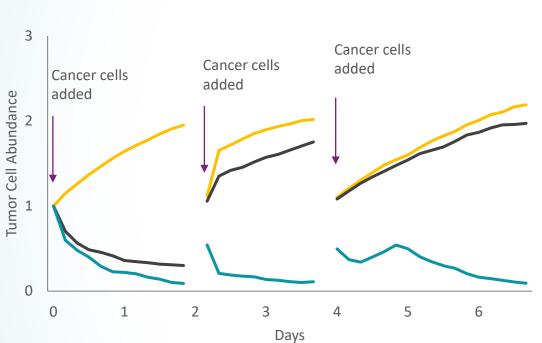


— Unengineered NK Cells -SENTI-301A -Vehicle 100 Probability of Survival 80 60 40 SENTI-301A 20 infiltrates into tumors (green) 0 20 40 60 80 100 120 0

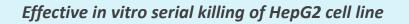
**Days Post Tumor Implantation** 

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

Increased survival, tumor infiltration and response in HepG2 mouse model



Vehicle



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

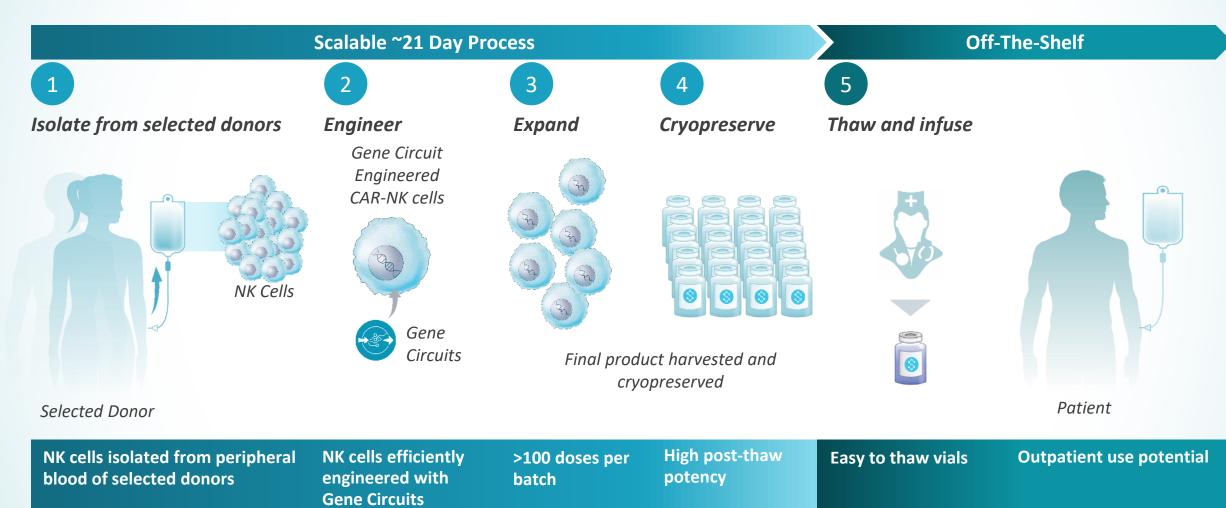
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Features	Cord Blood NK Cells	iPSC-Derived NK-Like Cells	S Peripheral Blood NK Cells
NK Cell Expandability	Increased expansion potential but smaller number of starting cells	Similar expandability to peripheral blood	Established methods for 1,000- 10,000-fold 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

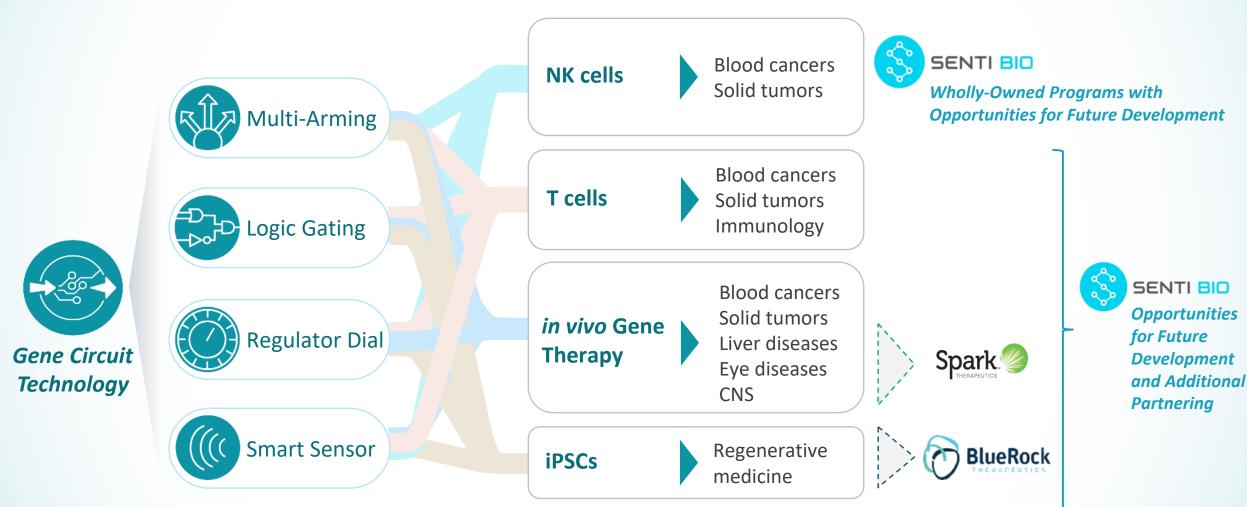
Peripheral blood-sourced NK cells provide a full repertoire of functional NK cells, a mature GMP process, and extensive clinical experience to enable our next generation CAR-NK cell therapies





# Gene Circuit Platform

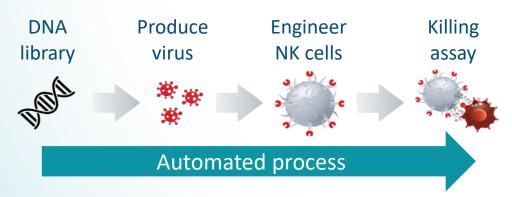
# Gene Circuit Technology Has Broad Applicability Across Multiple Modalities and Therapeutic Areas

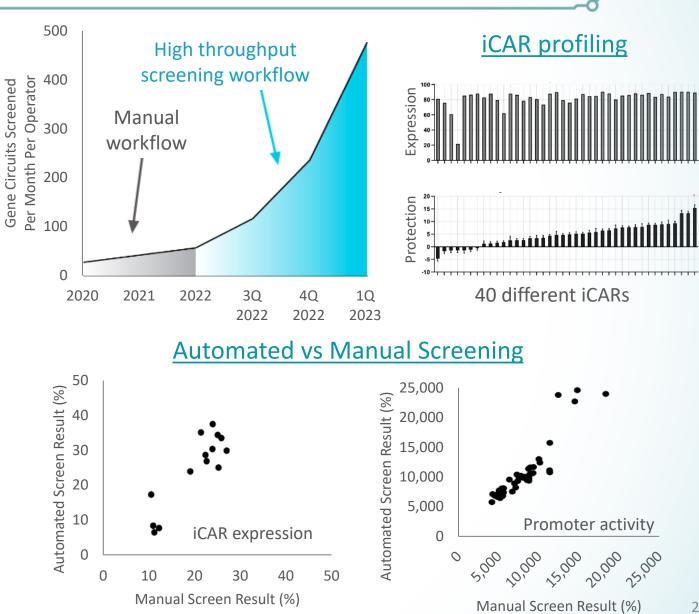


# High Throughput Screening (HTS) Of Gene Circuits in NK and T Cells

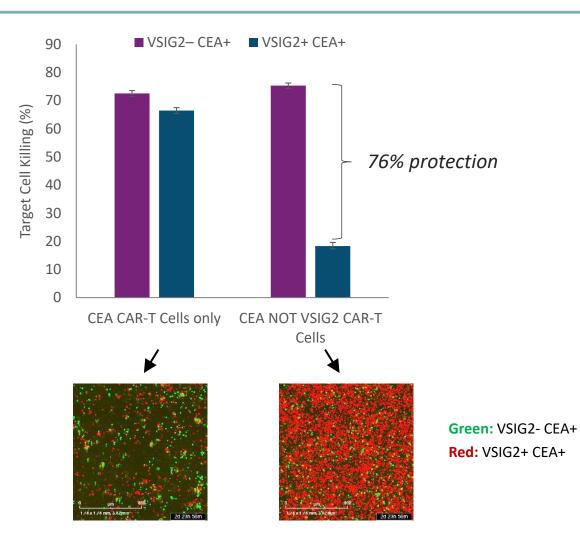


State-of-the-art, integrated system for screening gene circuit libraries in one continuous process within primary human NK cells

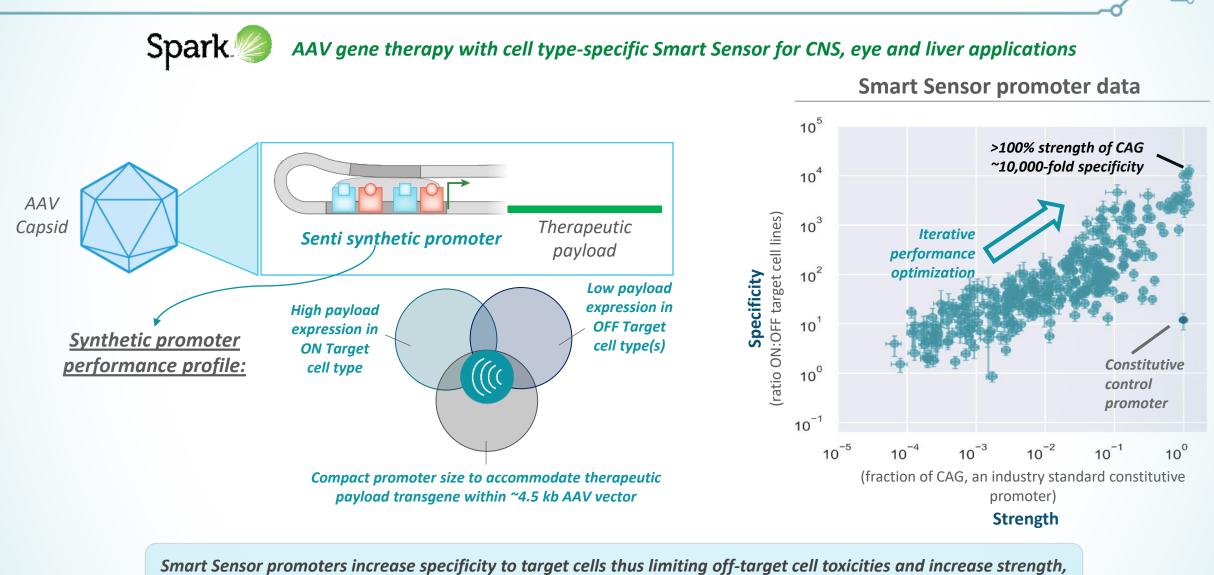




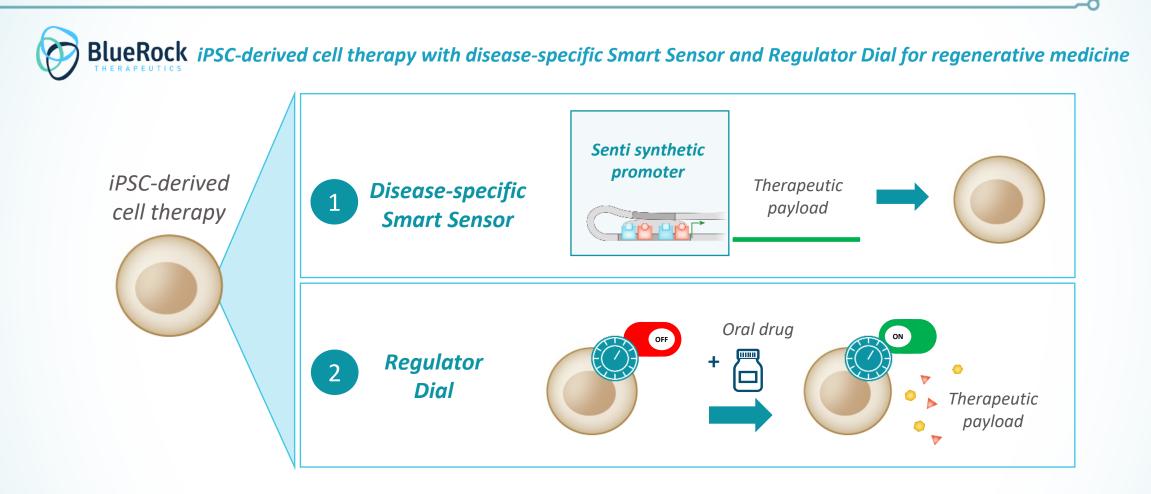
### NOT GATE Gene Circuit Validation in CAR-T Cells



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



potentially enabling more efficacious therapies



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



#### Preclinical validation across multiple applications

- Gene circuit technology has been validated 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



# Thank you