



A G E N D A

CIBMTR WORKING COMMITTEE FOR INFECTION AND IMMUNE RECONSTITUTION

Honolulu, HI

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1. Introduction

- a. Minutes from February 2024 ([Attachment 1](#))

2. Accrual summary ([Attachment 2](#))

3. Presentations, Publications or Submitted papers

- a. **IN19-01** Delayed T cell recovery after hematopoietic cell transplantation is associated with decreased overall survival in adults (M-A Perales). **Submitted.**
- b. **IN20-01a** Infectious complications in patients with B-Lymphoid hematologic malignancy (Lymphoma cohort) treated with CD19 chimeric antigen receptor T cell therapy. (K Wudhikarn/ M McGhee/ J Hill/ M Herr/ H Rangarajan/ P Satwani/ J Baird/ E McGehee/ L Gowda/ G Fatobene). **Submitted.**
- c. **IN20-01b** Infectious complications in patients with B-Lymphoid hematologic malignancy (ALL cohort) treated with CD19 chimeric antigen receptor T cell therapy. (K Wudhikarn/ M McGhee/ J Hill/ M Herr/ H Rangarajan/ P Satwani/ J Baird/ E McGehee/ L Gowda/ G Fatobene). **Submitted.**

4. Studies in progress ([Attachment 3](#))

- a. **IN19-02** Impact of Antibiotic Prophylaxis in Patients Undergoing Allogeneic Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation in the Current Era (C Dandoy/ C Alonso/Z El Boghdadly). **Protocol Development.**

- b. **IN22-01** Viral Hepatitis after allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplant using post-transplant cyclophosphamide for graft versus host disease prophylaxis (K Wudhikarn/ M Perales). **Protocol Received.**
- c. **IN23-01** Infectious complications in patients with relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma receiving B-cell maturation antigen targeted chimeric antigen receptor T cells (K Wudhikarn/ MA Perales/ A Mirza/ L Gowda/ MB Abid/ S Devarakonda/ Y Efebera). **Datafile Preparation.**
- d. **IN24-01** Evaluating infection rates in autologous hematopoietic stem cell transplants for primary solid tumors and lymphoma (J Koo/ C Dandoy). **Protocol Received.**

5. Future/proposed studies

- a. **PROP 2410-45; 2410-206** Risk Stratification and Letermovir Prophylaxis Strategies for Cytomegalovirus in Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation: A Focus on Late CMV Infections, All-Cause Mortality, and Mismatched Donor-Recipient Serostatus (R Chemaly/ M Batista/ J Tossey/ J Sen). ([Attachment 4](#))
- b. **PROP 2410-55** Peri-transplant Norovirus infection as a risk factor for allogeneic HSCT outcomes (K Lind/ L McLaughlin). ([Attachment 5](#))
- c. **PROP 2410-61** The Incidence and Impact of Clostridioides Difficile Infection on CAR-T Cell Therapy Outcomes – A CIBMTR Study (M Bilal Abid/ M Aljurf). ([Attachment 6](#))
- d. **PROP 2410-137** Impact of Letermovir Prophylaxis on the Epidemiology of CMV Infection Among Allogeneic Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy Recipients Receiving Post-Transplant Cyclophosphamide (Z Shahid/ H Murthy). ([Attachment 7](#))
- e. **PROP 2410-141** Epidemiology of Respiratory Virus Infections among Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy and Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-cell Therapy Recipients in the Post COVID-19 and Respiratory Syncytial Virus Vaccine Era (Z Shahid/ H Murthy). ([Attachment 8](#))

Proposed studies; not accepted for consideration at this time

- f. **PROP 2408-08** Comparing Levofloxacin with Ciprofloxacin in the area of Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation (M Pamukcuoglu). ***Dropped due to overlap with current study/publication.***
- g. **PROP 2409-27** Impact of Chimeric Antigen Receptor Therapy (CART) followed by AlloSCT on post-transplant infection risk in Lymphoid Malignancies – A CIBMTR Analysis (N Hossain, P Munshi). ***Dropped due to overlap with current study/publication.***
- h. **PROP 2409-29** Impact of Granulocyte Infusions on Outcomes for Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplant patients prior to initial engraftment - A CIBMTR Analysis (N Hossain). ***Dropped due to small sample size.***
- i. **PROP 2409-31** Characterization of infectious complications post-CAR T Cell therapy (L Liu/ M Janakiram). ***Dropped due to overlap with current study/publication.***
- j. **PROP 2410-01** Impact of post-transplant G-CSF in allogeneic transplant in the post-transplant cyclophosphamide era (N Agarwal/ L Metheny). ***Dropped due to overlap with current study/publication.***
- k. **PROP 2410-18** Impact of HLA disparity on infection-related complications in patients undergoing allogeneic HSCT with post-transplant cyclophosphamide GVHD prophylaxis (K Wudhikarn/ M Perales). ***Dropped due to overlap with current study/publication.***
- l. **PROP 2410-32** Infections and Immune Reconstitution in Adults with B-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia Who Received CAR-T Therapy Prior to Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation (H De Sa/ B Hayes-Lattin). ***Dropped due to overlap with current study/publication.***

- m. **PROP 2410-38** Infectious Complications in patients with Hematologic Malignancies Receiving CD19 vs. BCMA-targeted CAR-T Therapy (M Bilal Abid). ***Dropped due to overlap with current study/publication.***
- n. **PROP 2410-63** Potential for granulocyte-colony stimulating factor in preventing infections in CAR-T recipients without worsening immune-related toxicities (M Bilal Abid/ M Aljurf). ***Dropped due to overlap with current study/publication.***
- o. **PROP 2410-75** Donor Selection in Cytomegalovirus Seronegative Patients Undergoing HCT with Post-Transplant Cyclophosphamide-based Graft-versus-Host Disease Prophylaxis (R Mehta). ***Dropped due to small sample size.***
- p. **PROP 2410-128** Outcomes of CD34-selected stem cell boost following allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation in the contemporary era (X Bi/ U Gergis). ***Dropped due to small sample size.***
- q. **PROP 2410-135** Impact of Granulocyte Stimulating Factor on Infectious Complications, Treatment Response and Outcomes after CAR T-cell therapy (S Bowden/ P Bindal). ***Dropped due to small sample size.***
- r. **PROP 2410-144** Safety and Efficacy of BCMA-directed CAR T-cell Therapy in the Treatment of Relapsed/Refractory Multiple Myeloma in Patients with HIV Infection (P Bindal/ C Reimonn). ***Dropped due to supplemental data needed.***
- s. **PROP 2410-186** Real world analysis of non-respiratory viral diseases in BCMA and CD 19 CART cell therapy recipients (N Vojjala/ N Ahmed). ***Dropped due to overlap with current study/publication.***
- t. **PROP 2410-245** Real World Evidence of Infectious Complications, HIV Disease Control, and Outcome among Patients with HIV who Receive Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant or Chimeric Antigen Receptor T cell therapy (L Gowda/ B Emu). ***Dropped due to supplemental data needed.***
- u. **PROP 2410-253** Incidence of severe infections (BMTCTN grade 3) early after HCT (100 days) and its impact on survival (OS) and non-relapse mortality (NRM) - development of a composite endpoint: GVHD-free, relapse-free, and infection-free survival (GRIFS) (R Nakamura). ***Dropped due to overlap with current study/publication.***

6. Other business



MINUTES AND OVERVIEW PLAN

CIBMTR WORKING COMMITTEE FOR INFECTION AND IMMUNE RECONSTITUTION

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Wednesday, February 21, 2024, 1:00 – 3:00 PM CT

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1. Introduction

- a. Welcome and Introduction
- b. Minutes from February 2023 meeting

The meeting was called to order at 1pm by Dr. Marcie Riches. She introduced the current working committee leadership and reviewed the CIBMTR COI policy, described Working Committee Membership, goals, expectations, guidelines for voting, and rules of authorship. The two sources of HCT data (TED vs. CRF level) were introduced as well as cellular therapy data.

2. Accrual summary

3. Presentations, Published or Submitted papers

- a. **1801a** Celalettin Ustun, Min Chen, Soyoung Kim, Jeffery J Auletta, Marjorie V Batist, Minoo Battiwalla, Jan Cerny, Lohith Gowda, Joshua A Hill, Hongtao Liu, Pashna N Munshi, Sunita Nathan, Matthew D Seftel, John R Wingard, Roy F Chemaly, Christopher E Dandoy, Miguel-Angel Perales, Marcie Riches, Genovefa A Papanicolaou, Post-transplantation cyclophosphamide is associated with increased bacterial infections. ***Bone Marrow Transplant, 2023, PMID: 37903992, doi.org:10.1038/s41409-023-02131-z.***

- b. **1801b** Genovefa A. Papanicolaou, Min Chen, Naya He, Michael J. Martens, Soyoung Kim, Marjorie V. Batista, Neel S. Bhatt, Peiman Hematti, Joshua A. Hill, Hongtao Liu, Sunita Nathan, Matthew D. Seftel, Akshay Sharma, Edmund K. Waller, John R. Wingard, Jo-Anne H. Young, Christopher E. Dandoy, Miguel-Angel Perales, Roy F. Chemaly, Marcie Riches, Celalettin Ustun, Incidence and Impact of Fungal Infections in Post-Transplantation Cyclophosphamide-Based Graft-versus-Host Disease Prophylaxis and Haploidentical Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation: A Center for International Blood and Marrow Transplant Research Analysis, *Transplantation and Cellular Therapy*, 2023, ISSN 2666-6367, doi.org:10.1016/j.jtct.2023.09.017.

4. Studies in progress

- a. **IN19-01** Immune recovery predicts post-transplant outcomes (MA Perales/ P Szabolcs): Tandem 2023 Abstract. **Manuscript preparation.**
- b. **IN19-02** Impact of Antibiotic Prophylaxis in Patients Undergoing Allogeneic Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation in the Current Era (Z El Boghdadly/ C Dandoy/ P Badia Alonso). **Protocol development.**
- c. **IN20-01** Infectious complications in patients with B-Lymphoid hematologic malignancy treated with CD19 chimeric antigen receptor T cell therapy (K Wudhikarn/ M McGhee/ J Hill/ M Herr). **Analysis.**
- d. **CV20-04d** COVID-19 in Hematopoietic Cell Transplant Recipients- Outcomes early v late (R Chemaly/ MS Infante). **Protocol development.**
- e. **IN22-01** Viral Hepatitis after allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplant using post-transplant cyclophosphamide for graft versus host disease prophylaxis (K Wudhikarn/ MA Perales). **Protocol development.**
- f. **IN23-01** Infectious complications in patients with relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma receiving B-cell maturation antigen targeted chimeric antigen receptor T cells (K Wudhikarn/ MA Perales/ A Mirza/ L Gowda/ MB Abid/ S Devarakonda/ Y Efebera). **Protocol development.**

5. Future/proposed studies

- a. **PROP 2310-52** Impact of Donor Stem Cell Graft Composition on Immune Reconstitution in Allogeneic Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation (H Murthy/N Farhadfar)

Dr. Murthy presented the proposal. The scientific aims of this study are: 1. To determine the effect of donor graft subsets of CD4+, CD8+ and CD56+ on incidence of day 100 infection rate (viral, bacterial, fungal) 2. To determine the effect of donor graft subsets of CD4+, CD8+ and CD56+ on Infection free survival: OS, PFS, NRM, GVHD (acute, chronic), relapse/progression. 3. To determine the effect graft composition on day 100 immune recovery of CD4+, CD8+, and CD56+

Discussion:

1. *Recommendations from the committee where include the following:*
 - a. *Consider adding GVHD prophylaxis*
 - b. *Add ALC at Day 100*
 - c. *Adjust for CST/other GVHD Rx*
2. *Question about the definition of infection free survival vs infection related mortality. Recommend that for IFS, do not to combine all infections and focus on important infections only (i.e. CMV, mold, etc).*
3. *Concerns about low number of mismatched unrelated donor which can affect the power of immune recovery. Suggest having day 100 recovery data.*
4. *Concerns about exclusion of pediatric patients.*

5. Concerns about data:

- a. Given small #s of patients with IR data, consider limiting the population to those with both graft composition and IR data. Note: this will be small numbers and likely only descriptive.
- b. The CIBMTR does not have data on duration of GVHD treatment except as follows: start date (all agents); end date steroids; end date for 'final IS taken' stating in January 2017

Potential benefits: This would be the second analysis utilizing the IR data.

b. **PROP 2310-57** Impact Of Mycophenolate Mofetil And Cytomegalovirus Serostatus In Patients Undergoing HLA Matched Donor HCT (R Mehta/R Saliba)

Dr. Saliba presented the proposal. The scientific aim of this study is: the results of this study could call for a change in the GVHD prophylaxis in select patients, i.e., exclusion of MMF in CMV seropositive AML patients.

Discussion:

The WC has several suggestions including:

1. Mismatched transplants should be added
2. Pediatric patients should be added
3. Letermovir was added to the forms to capture discretely in Sep 2022. To account for letermovir in the analysis, would need to consider patients pre vs post approval date(s) for letermovir
4. Consider adding disease specific lines of therapy
5. Look at MDS separately

Potential concerns about data:

1. Duration of MMF is not collected

Potential benefits

1. There are 168 patients of the selected population who have supplemental form 2150 (CMV/EBV/ADV/BK/HHV6) form to provide additional detailed information for CMV.

c. **PROP 2310-75** Evaluating Infection Rates in Autologous Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplants for Primary Solid Tumors and Lymphoma (J Koo/C Dandoy)

Dr. Koo presented this proposal. The specific aims of this study are: 1. Primary Aim: Report the incidence of clinically significant bacterial, viral, and fungal infections during the first 100 days after auto-HSCT for solid tumor, MM and lymphoma recipients. 2. Secondary Aim: Evaluate the overall survival (OS), non-relapse mortality (NRM), transplant-related mortality (TRM) between solid tumor, MM, and lymphoma auto-HSCT recipients who developed clinically significant infections and who did not develop infections.

Discussion:

Suggestions:

1. Add infection prophylaxis
2. Suggested looking at outcomes at D30 instead of D100 to avoid maintenance therapy bias and making this less heterogeneous. Consider adding two timeframes: <30, 30-100 day

Analyze the disease groups separately

Concerns:

1. The screening of new viral infection and the first viral infection.

2. Prophylaxis data include only the first drug given in ea of antibacterial, antiviral, antifungal, and anti PJP. These data were not collected as discrete data for analysis prior to January 2017.

Potential Benefits:

1. There have been no systematic analyses for infections following autologous HCT. This may create another data set that will then be able to also compare to the CAR-T populations (studies IN20-01 and IN23-01).

- d. **PROP 2310-185** PBSC versus BM Grafts in AlloHCT for Hematological Malignancies with PTCY-Based GVHD Prophylaxis: A Comparative Analysis (A Mina/S Pavletic)

Dr. Mina presented the proposal. The specific aims of this study are: 1. Primary Endpoints: a. Rates of hematopoietic recovery (absolute neutrophil count, absolute lymphocyte count, platelets); b. Incidence of primary engraftment failure and secondary engraftment failure; c. 100-day post-transplant infectious complications; and 2. Secondary Endpoints: a. Overall survival; b. Non-relapse mortality; c. Malignancy progression; d. GVHD rates, severity and GVHD-free survival and GVHD-free, relapse-free survival (GRFS); e. 100-day post-transplant bleeding complications; f. Primary causes of death; g. Duration of initial hospitalization; h. RBC transfusion independence

Discussions:

Suggestions:

1. The consideration of letermovir's role as a competing risk in the assessment of viral infections may be explored through a sub-analysis extending from 2017 and beyond.
2. Consider the cell dose/size of the patient.
3. Factor in the year of transplant due to practice changes (from bone marrow to peripheral blood).
4. Consider the inclusion of pediatric patients as they undergo more bone marrow transplants.
5. Consider incorporating information about immune reconstitution.

Concerns:

1. Clearly difficult to convince the adult MDs to use BM so is there utility in performing this.
2. The letermovir data are not discrete prior to Sep 2022 so the incorporation of year of HCT allows a surrogate for pre/post letermovir availability
3. The BM cohort is fairly small

- e. **PROP 2310-49** Infection and Immune Reconstitution Factors Associated with Poor Outcomes for Acute Invasive Fungal Sinusitis (L Roland/I Pusic)

Dr. Ji presented the proposal. The specific aims of this study are: 1. Primary: a) Define the incidence of AIFS in alloHCT recipients (expect incidence of AIFS to be ~1% in alloHCT recipients). b) Identify risk factors for development of AIFS in patients undergoing AlloHCT (expect patients who have a longer ANC nadir, more comorbidities, GvHD, and PTCy as initial GvHD prophylaxis to be more likely to develop AIFS). c) Identify risk factors for poor outcomes in alloHCT recipients with AIFS (expect patients who have a longer ANC nadir and more comorbidities to have worse outcomes). 2. Secondary: a) Compare efficacy of specific initial antifungal prophylaxis agents on the incidence of AIFS (expect those who received posaconazole as prophylaxis to have lower rates of AIFS) b) Categorize changes in incidence of AIFS and potential geographical distribution (expect incidence of AIFS to go up over time with increased rates of transplantation and to be higher in regions with more warm and humid climates).

Discussions:

1. *Number of patients are limited because patients must have supplemental for 2146.*
2. *Suggested to add aplastic anemia*
3. *Consider adding comorbidity index*
4. *Can we include information of duration of steroids? This is available for steroid use for GVHD but not if given for other reasons.*

Concerns:

Working Committee proposed that given this is a small number of patients (and ~1 pt/center), is this the opportune study in which to try and obtain supplemental data (beyond captured on the 2146) where information about detailed diagnostic criteria, surgical resection, details of all prophylaxis and treatment, including use of granulocyte transfusions, can be obtained. Marcie cautioned that this will add a year to the study, require supplemental funding to pay for the additional information, and require the involvement of the MDs at the sites to work with the DM/complete the form themselves to ensure these data are captured.

Proposed studies; not accepted for consideration at this time

- f. **PROP 2310-29** Infection and Immune Reconstitution Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 (Sars-CoV-2, Also Referred to as Covid-19), and Influenza (Flu) Virus Infections Occurring Among Patients as Eras in Vaccination Practice are Evolving (J Young). *Supplemental data needed.*
- g. **PROP 2310-30** Viral Infections After CD19 and BCMA CAR T Cell Therapy (J Sassine/E Siegrist). *Overlap with current study/publication.*
- h. **PROP 2310-56** Incidence of Late Cytomegalovirus (CMV) reactivation in the Era of Post-transplant Cyclophosphamide (PtCY) in patients receiving Letermovir Prophylaxis (I Varadarajan/K Ballen). *Small sample size.*
- i. **PROP 2310-207** Incidence, Risk factors, and Outcomes of Infections Following Anti-CD19 Directed CAR T-Cell Therapy in B-Cell Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (D Modi). *Overlap with current study/publication.*
- j. **PROP 2310-241** A Comprehensive Analysis of Cytomegalovirus (CMV) Reactivation and its Impact on Outcomes After CAR-T Cell Therapy (S Gupta/V Bachanova). *Overlap with current study/publication.*
- k. **PROP 2310-248** Potential for Granulocyte-Colony Stimulating Factor in Preventing Infections in CAR-T Recipients without Worsening Immune-Related Toxicities (M Abid). *Supplemental data needed.*
- l. **PROP 2310-251** Impact of Corticosteroid Usage on the Risk of Infections in Patients Receiving CAR-T Therapy (M Abid). *Overlap with current study/publication.*
- m. **PROP 2310-254** Impact of Antibiotics on the Efficacy and Toxicity of Anti-CD19 CAR T Cell Therapy (M Abid). *Supplemental data needed.*

6. Other business

Marcie Riches is stepping down as the Scientific Director of the INWC after 20 years. She will remain available as an external consultant given her long history with the committee. The next Sci Director has not been determined.

Working Committee Overview Plan 2024 - 2025		
Study number and title	Current Status	Chairs Priority
IN18-01b: Comparison of early (by day+100) bacterial infections between post transplantation cyclophosphamide and other graft-vs-host disease prophylaxis.	Published	1
IN19-01: Immune recovery predicts post-transplant outcomes.	Submitted Manuscript	2
IN19-02: Impact of antibacterial prophylaxis on outcomes after allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplant.	Submitted Manuscript	6
CV20-04d: Early v late outcomes for COVID-19 in hematopoietic cell transplant recipients.	Submitted Manuscript	3
IN20-01: Infectious complications in patients with B-Lymphoid hematologic malignancy treated with CD19 chimeric antigen receptor T cell therapy.	Submitted Manuscript	4
IN22-01: Viral Hepatitis after allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplant using post-transplant cyclophosphamide for graft versus host disease prophylaxis.	Submitted Manuscript	7
IN23-01: Infectious complications in patients with relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma receiving B-cell maturation antigen targeted chimeric antigen receptor T cells.	Submitted Manuscript	5
IN24-01: Evaluating infection rates in autologous hematopoietic stem cell transplants for primary solid tumors and lymphoma.	Protocol Development	

Work Assignments for Working Committee Leadership (March 2024)	
Miguel-Angel Perales	IN18-01a: Comparison of early (by day+100) viral infections between post transplantation cyclophosphamide and other graft-vs-host disease prophylaxis IN18-01b: Comparison of early (by day+100) bacterial infections between post transplantation cyclophosphamide and other graft-vs-host disease prophylaxis
Chris Dandoy	IN18-02: Study the Incidence, and impact of C diff infection within 100 days on Transplant outcomes after allogeneic stem cell transplant (Muthalagu Ramanathan/ Bipin Savani) IN20-01: Infectious complications after CAR.T Cell therapy
Roy Chemaly	IN19-01: Immune recovery predicts post-transplant outcomes (Miguel-Angel Perales) IN19-02: Impact of antibacterial prophylaxis on outcomes after allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplant (C Dandoy/ P Alonso/ Z El Boghdadly)
Joshua Hill	IN23-01: Infectious complications in patients with relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma receiving B-cell maturation antigen targeted chimeric antigen receptor T cells

Accrual Summary for Infection and Immune Reconstitution Working Committee
Donor-recipient and Infection information reported to the CIBMTR after 2008

Characteristic	ALLO - Allogeneic	AUTO - Autologous
Number of patients - no. (%)	52292	19846
Infection		
Donor/recipient CMV status - no. (%)		
-/-	10919 (20.9)	0 (0.0)
+/-	5475 (10.5)	0 (0.0)
-/+	12352 (23.6)	0 (0.0)
+/+	18837 (36.0)	2 (0.0)
Missing/not tested	4709 (9.0)	19844 (100)
Donor/recipient hepatitis B status - no. (%)		
-/-	10857 (20.8)	15136 (76.3)
+/-	337 (0.6)	0 (0.0)
-/+	3184 (6.1)	0 (0.0)
+/+	295 (0.6)	1884 (9.5)
-/?	249 (0.5)	0 (0.0)
+/?	7 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
?/-	20074 (38.4)	0 (0.0)
?/+	6514 (12.5)	0 (0.0)
Missing/not tested	10775 (20.6)	2826 (14.2)
Donor/recipient hepatitis C status - no. (%)		
-/-	13738 (26.3)	16070 (81.0)
+/-	93 (0.2)	0 (0.0)
-/+	152 (0.3)	0 (0.0)
+/+	9 (0.0)	267 (1.3)
-/?	108 (0.2)	0 (0.0)
?/-	23752 (45.4)	0 (0.0)
?/+	359 (0.7)	0 (0.0)
Missing/not tested	14081 (26.9)	3509 (17.7)
Fungal infection history - no. (%)		
No	48546 (92.8)	19623 (98.9)
Yes	3676 (7.0)	217 (1.1)
Not reported	70 (0.1)	6 (0.0)
Fungal infection after starting of conditioning - no. (%)		
No	44132 (84.4)	18829 (94.9)
Yes	8059 (15.4)	1007 (5.1)

Characteristic	ALLO - Allogeneic	AUTO - Autologous
Not reported	101 (0.2)	10 (0.1)
Immune Reconstitution		
IgG at 100 day - no. (%)		
Data not available	18854 (36.1)	7496 (37.8)
Data available	33438 (63.9)	12350 (62.2)
IgM at 100 day - no. (%)		
Data not available	35043 (67.0)	8916 (44.9)
Data available	17249 (33.0)	10930 (55.1)
IgA at 100 day - no. (%)		
Data not available	35028 (67.0)	8823 (44.5)
Data available	17264 (33.0)	11023 (55.5)
CD3 at 100 day - no. (%)		
Data not available	38648 (73.9)	18723 (94.3)
Data available	13644 (26.1)	1123 (5.7)
CD4 at 100 day - no. (%)		
Data not available	38517 (73.7)	18652 (94.0)
Data available	13775 (26.3)	1194 (6.0)
CD8 at 100 day - no. (%)		
Data not available	38947 (74.5)	18762 (94.5)
Data available	13345 (25.5)	1084 (5.5)
CD20 at 100 day - no. (%)		
Data not available	49534 (94.7)	19671 (99.1)
Data available	2758 (5.3)	175 (0.9)
CD56 at 100 day - no. (%)		
Data not available	42795 (81.8)	19360 (97.6)
Data available	9497 (18.2)	486 (2.4)
Infection Prophylaxis		
Infection prophylaxis - no. (%)		
No	169 (0.3)	54 (0.3)
Yes	50942 (97.4)	18988 (95.7)
Not reported	1181 (2.3)	804 (4.1)
Antibacterial Prophylaxis - no. (%)		
No	1820 (3.5)	350 (1.8)
Yes	18092 (34.6)	7028 (35.4)
Not reported	32380 (61.9)	12468 (62.8)
Antiviral Prophylaxis - no. (%)		
No	1063 (2.0)	311 (1.6)
Yes	49263 (94.2)	18532 (93.4)

Characteristic	ALLO - Allogeneic	AUTO - Autologous
Not reported	1966 (3.8)	1003 (5.1)
Antifungal Prophylaxis - no. (%)		
No	1236 (2.4)	886 (4.5)
Yes	48146 (92.1)	16617 (83.7)
Not reported	2910 (5.6)	2343 (11.8)
first antibacterial drug given as prophylaxis - Amoxicillin clavulanate oral - no. (%)		
No	19564 (37.4)	7300 (36.8)
Yes	366 (0.7)	84 (0.4)
Not reported	32362 (61.9)	12462 (62.8)
first antibacterial drug given as prophylaxis - Moxifloxacin IV or oral - no. (%)		
No	19537 (37.4)	7307 (36.8)
Yes	392 (0.7)	78 (0.4)
Not reported	32363 (61.9)	12461 (62.8)
first antibacterial drug given as prophylaxis - Ciprofloxacin IV or oral - no. (%)		
No	16641 (31.8)	5976 (30.1)
Yes	3288 (6.3)	1409 (7.1)
Not reported	32363 (61.9)	12461 (62.8)
first antibacterial drug given as prophylaxis - Levofloxacin IV or oral - no. (%)		
No	10607 (20.3)	2696 (13.6)
Yes	9320 (17.8)	4690 (23.6)
Not reported	32365 (61.9)	12460 (62.8)
first antibacterial drug given as prophylaxis - Other antibacterial drug - no. (%)		
No	15699 (30.0)	6304 (31.8)
Yes	4228 (8.1)	1080 (5.4)
Not reported	32365 (61.9)	12462 (62.8)
first antibacterial drug given as prophylaxis - Cefdinir oral - no. (%)		
No	19791 (37.8)	7308 (36.8)
Yes	139 (0.3)	77 (0.4)
Not reported	32362 (61.9)	12461 (62.8)
first antibacterial drug given as prophylaxis - Penicillin - no. (%)		
No	8562 (16.4)	2031 (10.2)
Yes	300 (0.6)	27 (0.1)
Not reported	43430 (83.1)	17788 (89.6)

Characteristic	ALLO - Allogeneic	AUTO - Autologous
first antibacterial drug given as prophylaxis - Cefpodoxime oral - no. (%)		
No	19777 (37.8)	7350 (37.0)
Yes	153 (0.3)	35 (0.2)
Not reported	32362 (61.9)	12461 (62.8)
Was vancomycin IV also given as prophylaxis? - no. (%)		
No	17361 (33.2)	6893 (34.7)
Yes	1851 (3.5)	432 (2.2)
Not reported	33080 (63.3)	12521 (63.1)
first antiviral drug given as prophylaxis - Acyclovir - no. (%)		
No	11836 (22.6)	3863 (19.5)
Yes	39716 (76.0)	15477 (78.0)
Not reported	740 (1.4)	506 (2.5)
Was letermovir (Prevymis) given as prophylaxis? - no. (%)		
No	20923 (40.0)	8361 (42.1)
Yes	2833 (5.4)	8 (0.0)
Not reported	28536 (54.6)	11477 (57.8)
first antiviral drug given as prophylaxis - Famciclovir (Famvir) - no. (%)		
No	23542 (45.0)	8351 (42.1)
Yes	209 (0.4)	18 (0.1)
Not reported	28541 (54.6)	11477 (57.8)
first antiviral drug given as prophylaxis - Ganciclovir - no. (%)		
No	48966 (93.6)	19282 (97.2)
Yes	2586 (4.9)	58 (0.3)
Not reported	740 (1.4)	506 (2.5)
first antiviral drug given as prophylaxis - Other antiviral drug - no. (%)		
No	50126 (95.9)	19117 (96.3)
Yes	1425 (2.7)	223 (1.1)
Not reported	741 (1.4)	506 (2.5)
first antiviral drug given as prophylaxis - Valacyclovir (Valtrex) - no. (%)		
No	40126 (76.7)	15300 (77.1)
Yes	11426 (21.9)	4040 (20.4)
Not reported	740 (1.4)	506 (2.5)
first antiviral drug given as prophylaxis - Valganciclovir (Valcyte) - no. (%)		

Characteristic	ALLO - Allogeneic	AUTO - Autologous
No	48484 (92.7)	19175 (96.6)
Yes	3065 (5.9)	165 (0.8)
Not reported	743 (1.4)	506 (2.5)
first antifungal drug given as prophylaxis - Amphotericin products - no. (%)		
No	49328 (94.3)	19236 (96.9)
Yes	2207 (4.2)	90 (0.5)
Not reported	757 (1.4)	520 (2.6)
first antifungal drug given as prophylaxis - Caspofungin (Cancidas) - no. (%)		
No	48355 (92.5)	19148 (96.5)
Yes	3180 (6.1)	178 (0.9)
Not reported	757 (1.4)	520 (2.6)
first antifungal drug given as prophylaxis - Isavuconazole (Cresemba) - no. (%)		
No	23324 (44.6)	8352 (42.1)
Yes	410 (0.8)	4 (0.0)
Not reported	28558 (54.6)	11490 (57.9)
first antifungal drug given as prophylaxis - Anidulafungin (Eraxis) - no. (%)		
No	23627 (45.2)	8353 (42.1)
Yes	107 (0.2)	3 (0.0)
Not reported	28558 (54.6)	11490 (57.9)
first antifungal drug given as prophylaxis - Fluconazole (Diflucan) - no. (%)		
No	25814 (49.4)	3547 (17.9)
Yes	25720 (49.2)	15779 (79.5)
Not reported	758 (1.4)	520 (2.6)
first antifungal drug given as prophylaxis - Itraconazole - no. (%)		
No	50481 (96.5)	19230 (96.9)
Yes	1054 (2.0)	96 (0.5)
Not reported	757 (1.4)	520 (2.6)
first antifungal drug given as prophylaxis - Micafungin (Mycamine) - no. (%)		
No	41304 (79.0)	18786 (94.7)
Yes	10231 (19.6)	540 (2.7)
Not reported	757 (1.4)	520 (2.6)
first antifungal drug given as prophylaxis - Other antiviral drug - no. (%)		

Characteristic	ALLO - Allogeneic	AUTO - Autologous
No	50163 (95.9)	19075 (96.1)
Yes	1371 (2.6)	251 (1.3)
Not reported	758 (1.4)	520 (2.6)
first antifungal drug given as prophylaxis - Posaconazole (Noxafil) - no. (%)		
No	43748 (83.7)	19212 (96.8)
Yes	7786 (14.9)	114 (0.6)
Not reported	758 (1.4)	520 (2.6)
first antifungal drug given as prophylaxis - Voriconazole (Vfend) - no. (%)		
No	38828 (74.3)	18870 (95.1)
Yes	12706 (24.3)	456 (2.3)
Not reported	758 (1.4)	520 (2.6)
Disease Grouping - no. (%)		
MM/PCD	718 (1.4)	12172 (61.3)
AML	14680 (28.1)	183 (0.9)
ALL	5880 (11.2)	15 (0.1)
CML	1182 (2.3)	0 (0.0)
Other Leukemias	459 (0.9)	2 (0.0)
NHL	2916 (5.6)	3956 (19.9)
HD	1263 (2.4)	1357 (6.8)
MDS/MPN	12400 (23.7)	2 (0.0)
CLL	1015 (1.9)	16 (0.1)
Acquired Aplastic Anemia	3934 (7.5)	2 (0.0)
Congenital Bone Marrow Failure Syndrome	1022 (2.0)	2 (0.0)
Hemoglobinopathies	3409 (6.5)	84 (0.4)
Primary Immune Deficiency	1960 (3.7)	72 (0.4)
Histiocytic Disorder	499 (1.0)	2 (0.0)
Platelet Disorders	54 (0.1)	0 (0.0)
Inherited Disorders of Metabolism	737 (1.4)	16 (0.1)
Autoimmune Disease	31 (0.1)	62 (0.3)
Solid tumors	34 (0.1)	1893 (9.5)
Other Diseases	56 (0.1)	9 (0.0)
Not reported	43 (0.1)	1 (0.0)
Year of current transplant - no. (%)		
2008	4368 (8.4)	2657 (13.4)
2009	3962 (7.6)	1272 (6.4)
2010	2437 (4.7)	579 (2.9)

Characteristic	ALLO - Allogeneic	AUTO - Autologous
2011	1792 (3.4)	691 (3.5)
2012	1865 (3.6)	726 (3.7)
2013	3317 (6.3)	1462 (7.4)
2014	4176 (8.0)	1466 (7.4)
2015	4180 (8.0)	1684 (8.5)
2016	3977 (7.6)	1754 (8.8)
2017	3812 (7.3)	1643 (8.3)
2018	3791 (7.2)	2256 (11.4)
2019	3569 (6.8)	1352 (6.8)
2020	2301 (4.4)	373 (1.9)
2021	2446 (4.7)	318 (1.6)
2022	2511 (4.8)	670 (3.4)
2023	2769 (5.3)	671 (3.4)
2024	1019 (1.9)	272 (1.4)



TO: Infection and Immune Reconstitution Working Committee Members

FROM: Jeffery Auletta, MD and Anna Huppler, MD; Scientific Directors for the Infection and Immune Reconstitution Working Committee

RE: 2024-2025 Studies in Progress Summary

IN19-02 Impact of Antibiotic Prophylaxis in Patients Undergoing Allogeneic Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation in the Current Era (C Dandoy/ C Alonso/Z El Boghdadly). Antibiotic prophylaxis in patients undergoing allogeneic HSCT has been the standard of practice for decades. However, there are some collateral consequences of this practice such as early microbiome disruption, acute GVHD, emergence of resistant bacterial infections and increased risk for *Clostridioides difficile* infection (CDI). This study will assess the efficacy of antibiotic prophylaxis in the modern era and results will have implications on current clinical practice.

Status: **Protocol Development**

IN22-01 Viral Hepatitis after allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplant using post-transplant cyclophosphamide for graft versus host disease prophylaxis (K Wudhikarn/ M Perales). The study hypothesizes that patients undergoing allogeneic HCT with post-transplant cyclophosphamide (PTCy) have a higher incidence of viral hepatitis reactivation compared to those without PTCy. It aims to assess the rate and risk factors of viral hepatitis reactivation, compare reactivation rates between PTCy and non-PTCy platforms, and evaluate the impact of chronic viral hepatitis on hepatic complications and survival. The study will provide critical insights into the incidence, patterns, and predisposing factors of hepatitis B and C reactivation, as well as the proper approach to antimicrobial prophylaxis in these patients.

Status: **Protocol Received**

IN23-01 Infectious complications in patients with relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma receiving B-cell maturation antigen targeted chimeric antigen receptor T cells (K Wudhikarn/ MA Perales/ A Mirza/ L Gowda/ MB Abid/ S Devarakonda/ Y Efebera). The study hypothesizes that infectious complications after idecabtagene vicleucel are common and likely higher in real-world settings compared to clinical trials, associated with specific disease, host, and CAR T-cell characteristics, and linked to poorer outcomes. It aims to describe the incidence, patterns, and mortality of infections, identify risk factors, and explore the impact on clinical outcomes. This research will provide critical insights into infection prevention strategies and improve patient care for those treated with BCMA CAR T-cells.

Status: **Datafile Preparation**

IN24-01 Evaluating infection rates in autologous hematopoietic stem cell transplants for primary solid tumors and lymphoma (J Koo/ C Dandoy). This observational, cross-sectional study will examine the primary endpoint of the incidence of clinically significant bacterial, viral and fungal infections during the first 100 days following auto-HSCT for patients with solid tumors and lymphomas.

Status: **Protocol Received**

Field	Response
Proposal Number	2410-45-CHEMALY
Proposal Title	Risk factors for late cytomegalovirus infection after letermovir prophylaxis discontinuation in Allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplantation (HCT).
Key Words	cytomegalovirus, letermovir, late infection, risk factors, Allo-HCT
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Principal Investigator #1: - Institution name	MD Anderson Cancer Center
Principal Investigator #1: - Academic rank	Professor of Medicine
Junior investigator status (defined as ≤5 years from fellowship)	No
Do you identify as an underrepresented/minority?	No
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Principal Investigator #2 (If applicable): - Academic rank:	Professor at Graduate Program
Junior investigator status (defined as ≤5 years from fellowship)	Yes
Do you identify as an underrepresented/minority?	No
We encourage a maximum of two Principal Investigators per study. If more than one author is listed, please indicate who will be identified as the corresponding PI below:	Roy Chemaly
If you are a junior investigator and would like assistance identifying a senior mentor for your project please click below:	Yes, I am a junior investigator and would like assistance identifying a senior mentor for my project
Please list any ongoing CIBMTR projects that you are currently involved in and briefly describe your role.	Dr. Roy Chemaly was one of the co-chair of the WORKING COMMITTEE FOR INFECTION AND IMMUNE RECONSTITUTION and was involved in many protocols and studies over the past few years. Dr. Marjorie Batista is working as a junior leader of Paramyxovirus Guideline that will be presented at 2025 Tandem Meetings Transplantation & Cellular Therapy Meetings of ASTCT and CIBMTR Session Title: (ID) TID Guidelines Update Session Date: Thursday, February 13, 2025 Session Time: 10:30 AM HST And was involved in other protocols (VRS GUIDELINE) and studies over the past 2 years.
Do any of the PI(s) within this proposal have a CIBMTR WC study in manuscript preparation >6 months?	Yes

Field	Response
PROPOSED WORKING COMMITTEE:	Infection and Immune Reconstitution
Please indicate if you have already spoken with a scientific director or working committee chair regarding this study.	No
If you have already spoken with a scientific director or working committee chair regarding this study, then please specify who:	-
RESEARCH QUESTION:	Are there specific risk factors for late cytomegalovirus (CMV) infection following the discontinuation of letermovir prophylaxis that could identify a target subgroup of patients who may benefit from extended prophylaxis?
RESEARCH HYPOTHESIS:	Risk factors for Late CMV infection after letermovir discontinuation could help to stratify patients who are at higher risk of clinically significant CMV infection (cs-CMVi) and all-cause of mortality.
SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES/OUTCOMES TO BE INVESTIGATED (Include Primary, Secondary, etc.):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Define risk factors for late cs-CMVi after letermovir discontinuation Assess the incidence of late cs-CMVi <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assess transplant outcomes in adult allo-HCT recipients with late cs-CMVi <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overall Survival Non-relapsed Mortality (NRM) Co-infections Descriptive analysis of indirect effect of cs-CMVi after letermovir discontinuation <p>Outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Overall Survival (OS): time to death. Death from any cause is an event. Surviving patients are censored at the time of last follow-up. b. Non-relapse mortality (NRM): death without evidence of disease relapse/progression. Relapse is the competing risk c. Relapse: non-relapse mortality is the competing risk d. Chronic GVHD (cGVHD): Death is the competing risk e. Cumulative incidence of bacterial infections: death is the competing risk f. Cumulative incidence of viral infections: death is the competing risk g. Cumulative incidence of fungal infections: death is the competing risk h. Cause of death: primary and infections as contributing cause
SCIENTIFIC IMPACT: Briefly state how the completion of the aims will impact participant care/outcomes and how it will advance science or clinical care.	Several centers have reported cases of late CMVi following completion of letermovir prophylaxis, which may adversely affect HCT outcomes. Expanding these findings to a larger multicenter population will help validate the results and identify higher-risk populations who may have poorer outcomes. Furthermore, this could facilitate additional studies within the CIBMTR and potentially inform future interventional studies.

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<p>SCIENTIFIC JUSTIFICATION: Provide a background summary of previous related research and their strengths and weaknesses, justification of your research and why your research is still necessary.</p>	<p>CMV infections represent a significant burden in immunocompromised population, particularly in patients undergoing allo-HCT. Despite the administration of letermovir as a prophylactic agent, there are emerging reports of late CMVi occurring after the discontinuation of prophylaxis. Understanding the risk factors associated with these late infections is critical for identifying patient subgroups that are at increased risk for cs-CMVi and related adverse outcomes. Current literature highlights the potential impact of late CMV infection on HCT outcomes, suggesting that patients who experience these infections may have higher rates of morbidity and mortality. Identifying specific risk factors for late CMV infection will enable clinicians to stratify patients according to their risk and make informed decisions about the need for extended letermovir prophylaxis.</p> <p>The proposed research question—"Are there specific risk factors for late CMV infection following the discontinuation of letermovir prophylaxis that could identify a target subgroup of patients who may benefit from extended prophylaxis?"—aims to address this critical gap in knowledge. By investigating the demographics, clinical characteristics, and immunological profiles of patients who develop late CMV infections, we hypothesize that these factors can provide valuable insights for risk stratification. Our research hypothesis posits that risk factors for late CMV infection after the discontinuation of letermovir prophylaxis could effectively stratify patients who are at higher risk of cs-CMVi and all-cause mortality. This stratification is essential for optimizing therapeutic interventions, as it may lead to the identification of patients who would benefit most from prolonged prophylactic measures. In conclusion, this research proposal is not only timely but also essential for improving patient outcomes in the context of HCT. By elucidating the specific risk factors associated with late CMV infections from a very large cohort of patients, we can enhance the understanding of patients' vulnerabilities and inform future clinical guidelines regarding prophylaxis strategies. Additionally, the findings from this study could serve as a foundation for future research initiatives aimed at addressing CMV-related complications in immunocompromised patients.</p>

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PARTICIPANT SELECTION CRITERIA: State inclusion and exclusion criteria.	This study will include patients who are CMV seropositive who received an allo-HCT and letermovir prophylaxis for the first 100 days, between 01/2018 and 12/2023. Inclusion criteria: • Age ≥ 18 to ≤ 75 years • allo-HCT who are CMV seropositive between 01/2018 and 12/2023. • Any donor • Letermovir prophylaxis for the first 100 days after allogeneic HCT Exclusion Criteria • Letermovir prophylaxis duration less than 60 days • Cs-CMV within the first 28 days after allo-HCT • No consent
Does this study include pediatric patients?	No
If this study does not include pediatric patients, please provide justification:	Letermovir has not yet been approved in the label for pediatric patients.
DATA REQUIREMENTS: After reviewing data on CIBMTR forms, list patient-, disease- and infusion- variables to be considered in the multivariate analyses. Outline any supplementary data required.	<p>8. Data Requirements a. Variables to be examined Recipient Related: • Recipient Age at transplant • Recipient Gender • Race/ethnicity • aa HCT-CI • Karnofsky/Lansky Performance Score Donor Related: • Donor CMV Serostatus Disease/Transplant Related: • Disease • Time from diagnosis to transplant • Disease status at transplant • Conditioning intensity: Myeloablative vs Reduced Intensity/Non-myeloablative • Stem Cell Source: Bone Marrow vs Peripheral Blood vs Cord Blood • GVHD Prophylaxis: Calcineurin inhibitor based (CSA/TAC) vs Sirolimus based vs PTCy based vs Other • Ex vivo T-cell depletion: Yes vs No • In vivo T-cell depletion: ATG (ATGAM) vs ATG (Thymoglobulin) vs Alemtuzumab • GVHD yes x No • GVHD grade (higher grade) Immune Recovery labs @ day 100 • Absolute Lymphocyte Count at day 100 • CD4 • CD8 • CD4:CD8 ratio • CD19/20 • CD56 • IgG • IgA • IgM Time Dependent variable • Days to neutrophil engraftment • Days to onset of acute GVHD Infections after letermovir discontinuation to day 365 • Bacterial infections: Median, range • Viral infections: Median, range • Fungal infections: Median, range • Total infections: Median, range</p>
Types of cellular therapy data this proposal includes:	Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation (HCT)

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PATIENT REPORTED OUTCOME (PRO) REQUIREMENTS: If the study requires PRO data collected by CIBMTR, the proposal should include: 1) A detailed description of the PRO domains, timepoints, and proposed analysis of PROs; 2) A description of the hypothesis speci	-
MACHINE LEARNING: Please indicate if the study requires methodology related to machine-learning and clinical predictions.	-
SAMPLE REQUIREMENTS: If the study requires biologic samples from the CIBMTR Repository, the proposal should also include: 1) A detailed description of the proposed testing methodology and sample requirements; 2) A summary of the investigator's previous e	-
NON-CIBMTR DATA SOURCE: If applicable, please provide: 1) A description of external data source to which the CIBMTR data will be linked; 2) The rationale for why the linkage is required.	-

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CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: Do you have any conflicts of interest pertinent to this proposal concerning?	Yes, I have conflicts of interest pertinent to this proposal

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If yes, provide detail on the nature of employment, name of organization, role, entity, ownership, type of financial transaction or legal proceeding and whether remuneration is >\$5000 annually.	R.F.C.: Consultant/Speaker/Advisor for MSD and Research grants paid to his institution from MSD. The remuneration is >\$5000 annually. MVB: Speaker/Advisor for MSD. The remuneration is less than \$5000 annually

Field	Response
Proposal Number	2410-206-TOSSEY
Proposal Title	Letermovir prophylaxis in cytomegalovirus seronegative recipients with seropositive donor allogeneic stem cell transplant
Key Words	cytomegalovirus, letermovir prophylaxis, D+/R-, CMV infection
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Principal Investigator #1: - Academic rank	Clinical Specialist Pharmacist
Junior investigator status (defined as ≤5 years from fellowship)	Yes
Do you identify as an underrepresented/minority?	No
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Principal Investigator #2 (If applicable): - Institution name:	The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center - James Cancer Hospital
Principal Investigator #2 (If applicable): - Academic rank:	Clinical Specialist Pharmacist
Junior investigator status (defined as ≤5 years from fellowship)	Yes
Do you identify as an underrepresented/minority?	No
We encourage a maximum of two Principal Investigators per study. If more than one author is listed, please indicate who will be identified as the corresponding PI below:	Corresponding PI: Justin Tossey; also contributing as Co-Investigator: Zeinab El Boghdadly, MD (Ohio State, Associate Professor)
If you are a junior investigator and would like assistance identifying a senior mentor for your project please click below:	-
Please list any ongoing CIBMTR projects that you are currently involved in and briefly describe your role.	None
Do any of the PI(s) within this proposal have a CIBMTR WC study in manuscript preparation >6 months?	No
PROPOSED WORKING COMMITTEE:	Infection and Immune Reconstitution
Please indicate if you have already spoken with a scientific director or working committee chair regarding this study.	No
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RESEARCH QUESTION:	Previous studies have clearly established the role of letermovir (LTV) for primary prophylaxis of cytomegalovirus (CMV) infection in CMV-seropositive recipients (R+) of an allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplant (HCT). CMV-seronegative recipients (R-) with a CMV-seropositive donor (D+) have a 20-30% risk of CMV infection but have been excluded from LTV clinical trials. The effectiveness of LTV prophylaxis in CMV D+/R- HCT remains unknown. Therefore, the purpose of this study is to compare the incidence of CMV infection (CMVi)—defined as CMV DNAemia \pm organ involvement—in CMV D+/R- adult HCT patients who did or did not receive LTV prophylaxis.
RESEARCH HYPOTHESIS:	We hypothesize that LTV prophylaxis reduces the incidence of CMVi in CMV D+/R- patients within the first 100 days after HCT. We also hypothesize that LTV prophylaxis reduces the incidence of CMVi among D+/R- HCT patients at high risk for CMV reactivation, including those who receive post-transplant cyclophosphamide (PTCy).
SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES/OUTCOMES TO BE INVESTIGATED (Include Primary, Secondary, etc.):	The primary objective of this study is to compare the incidence of CMVi in CMV D+/R- adults within the first 100 days post-HCT among two groups: those who received LTV for CMV primary prophylaxis versus those who did not receive any CMV primary prophylaxis. Secondary objectives of this study include evaluating the incidence of CMVi within 6 months and 1 year post-HCT, incidence of CMVi stratified by graft-versus-host disease (GVHD) prophylaxis (PTCy-based vs calcineurin inhibitor[CNI]-based), time to CMVi, and 1-year non-relapse mortality (NRM) and overall survival (OS) among the above cohorts.

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SCIENTIFIC IMPACT: Briefly state how the completion of the aims will impact participant care/outcomes and how it will advance science or clinical care.	CMV infection after HCT is associated with significant morbidity and mortality(1). The availability of LTV for primary prophylaxis of CMV has made a substantial impact on the outcome of CMV R+ HCT regardless of donor serostatus by decreasing the risk of CMV infection, leading to an improvement in OS(2,3). CMV D+/R- HCT patients have a comparatively lower risk of CMV infection, but with a 20-30% incidence of CMV infection these patients are still impacted by CMV-related comorbidity(4). CMV D+/R- patients have been excluded from clinical trials of LTV, so the potential benefits of LTV prophylaxis remains unknown. LTV was granted Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval in the United States in 2017 for the prevention of CMV in R+ patients after HCT. The use of LTV in D+/R- HCT remains off-label without robust data to support its use, thus creating a barrier to access due to high cost and challenges with insurance approval. LTV prophylaxis is generally well-tolerated post-HCT with very little risk of serious adverse events. The potential benefits and limited risks associated with LTV prophylaxis warrant evaluation in a CMV D+/R- HCT population. Completion of this study would impact clinical care by elucidating whether these patients benefit from and should receive LTV prophylaxis, and if so, would support providers, institutions, payors, and industry in pursuit of ensuring medication access.

SCIENTIFIC JUSTIFICATION: Provide a background summary of previous related research and their strengths and weaknesses, justification of your research and why your research is still necessary.

Cytomegalovirus (CMV) is a member of the human herpesvirus family which establishes latency in the granulocyte-monocyte lineage after primary infection(5). After establishing latency, CMV may reactivate, particularly in immunocompromised patient populations. CMV disease may lead to end organ damage manifesting as pneumonia, colitis, retinitis, hepatitis, or encephalitis. Monitoring, prophylaxis, and treatment are important considerations in immunocompromised patients. CMV reactivation remains one of the most common viral infectious complications that can occur after allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplant (HCT). The risk of CMV reactivation among recipients of HCT depends on many factors, the most important of which is pre-transplant donor and recipient CMV serostatus. CMV-seropositive recipients (R+) are at highest risk, regardless of donor serostatus, with approximately 60% to 70% of patients having CMV reactivation. Primary infection may occur in 20% to 30% of CMV-seronegative recipients (R-) with a CMV-seropositive donor (D+)(4). The lowest risk for CMV reactivation after allo-HCT is among recipient and donor pairs who are both CMV seronegative (D-/R-). Other risk factors include acute GVHD, high-dose corticosteroids, T-cell depletion, degree of HLA-mismatch, and use of PTCy (6,7) Letermovir (LTV) is an oral antiviral that inhibits the CMV-terminase complex to inhibit viral DNA packaging into capsids. A phase 3 randomized controlled trial that compared LTV to placebo as primary prophylaxis in CMV R+ HCT patients reported a significant decrease in clinically significant CMV infection (37.5% vs 60.6%; $p < 0.001$)(2). Letermovir additionally reduced all-cause mortality in a post-hoc analysis of this trial (HR 0.58 [95% CI 0.25-0.98; $p = 0.04$])(3). A meta-analysis of real-world data, which included more than 7,000 patients, reaffirmed this finding with significantly reduced odds of all-cause mortality (pOR 0.73; $p < 0.01$)(8). Letermovir has since become standard of care in CMV R+ HCT patients. However, it is unknown whether CMV D+/R- patients—who are at risk of CMV infection, albeit less compared to R+ patients—may also benefit from LTV prophylaxis. To date there have been no studies evaluating the impact of LTV prophylaxis in a CMV D+/R- HCT population. However, a few single-center retrospective studies have reported LTV use in subpopulations of CMV D+/R- patients. A study by Mizuno, et al. reported a total of 15 patients with CMVi occurring in 30% of the control group and 0% of the LTV

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	<p>group(9). No statistical analysis is reported with this outcome, and there are otherwise few details on the patient population. Archambeau and colleagues described a similar population (n = 17) with 30% of the control group versus 0% of the LTV group developing CMVi (p = 0.104)(10). Lastly, Liu, et al. completed a study that included the largest population of CMV D+/R- patients to date (n = 66) that compared patients who received LTV to a historical control group. In the CMV D+/R- subpopulation, there was no difference in the incidence of CMVi between LTV and control groups (p = 0.194)(11). Intriguingly, they found that the patients who received post-transplant cyclophosphamide (PTCy) had significantly less CMVi with LTV prophylaxis (p = 0.03). This study has significant limitations given that the PTCy group is a subpopulation of a subpopulation in this study and patient characteristics are not reported in this comparison. Therefore, there is an unmet need to evaluate the efficacy of LTV prophylaxis in preventing CMVi in CMV D+/R- HCT patients.</p>
PARTICIPANT SELECTION CRITERIA: State inclusion and exclusion criteria.	<p>Inclusion Criteria Adult and pediatric allogeneic HCT recipients with pre-transplant serologic testing confirming CMV IgG negative status Donor pre-transplant serologic testing confirming CMV IgG positive status Any stem cell source (peripheral blood, bone marrow, cord blood) Any degree of HLA match and donor type (matched related, matched unrelated, mismatched unrelated, haploidentical) Any transplant indication Any conditioning regimen intensity (myeloablative, reduced intensity, non-myeloablative) GVHD prophylaxis: CNI-based (tacrolimus or cyclosporine, with or without methotrexate [MTX], mycophenolate [MMF], or sirolimus) or PTCy-based (PTCy with or without additional agents, such as tacrolimus, sirolimus, mycophenolate, etc.) Year of transplant: July 2021 to 2024 Exclusion criteria Use of any CMV primary prophylaxis other than LTV No Form 2100 available or Q220 not answered</p>
Does this study include pediatric patients?	Yes
If this study does not include pediatric patients, please provide justification:	-

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DATA REQUIREMENTS: After reviewing data on CIBMTR forms, list patient-, disease- and infusion- variables to be considered in the multivariate analyses. Outline any supplementary data required.	Patient-specific: Age Gender Race/ethnicity Recipient CMV serostatus Transplant-specific: Donor CMV serostatus Transplant indication Conditioning regimen intensity Stem cell source (bone marrow, peripheral blood, cord blood) GVHD prophylaxis (CNI ± other vs PTCy ± other) Donor type (related vs unrelated) HLA match Use of ATG or alemtuzumab Date of transplant Date of acute GVHD diagnosis Date of chronic GVHD diagnosis Use of steroids: yes or no Date of relapse Date of death Infection-related: LTV used as prophylaxis: yes or no Date of LTV start Date of CMV infection (DNAemia ± organ involvement) Site of infection Other post-HCT infections (non-CMV viral infections, fungal, bacteria) No supplementary data required
Types of cellular therapy data this proposal includes:	Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation (HCT)
PATIENT REPORTED OUTCOME (PRO) REQUIREMENTS: If the study requires PRO data collected by CIBMTR, the proposal should include: 1) A detailed description of the PRO domains, timepoints, and proposed analysis of PROs; 2) A description of the hypothesis speci	N/A
MACHINE LEARNING: Please indicate if the study requires methodology related to machine-learning and clinical predictions.	N/A
SAMPLE REQUIREMENTS: If the study requires biologic samples from the CIBMTR Repository, the proposal should also include: 1) A detailed description of the proposed testing methodology and sample requirements; 2) A summary of the investigator's previous e	N/A
NON-CIBMTR DATA SOURCE: If applicable, please provide: 1) A description of external data source to which the CIBMTR data will be linked; 2) The rationale for why the linkage is required.	N/A

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CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: Do you have any conflicts of interest pertinent to this proposal concerning?	No, I do not have any conflicts of interest pertinent to this proposal

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Risk Stratification and Letermovir Prophylaxis Strategies for Cytomegalovirus in Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation: A Focus on Late CMV Infections, All-Cause Mortality, and Mismatched Donor-Recipient Serostatus

US patient who underwent first allo HCT in 2018-2023, with available CMV information

Characteristic	LTM D+/R+	LTM D+/R-	LTM D-/R+	LTM D-/R-	No LTM D+/R+	No LTM D+/R-	No LTM D-/R+	No LTM D-/R-
Number of patients	922	145	745	84	595	427	495	1086
No. of centers	117	70	110	42	115	111	112	140
Patient related								
Age at HCT - no. (%)								
Median (min-max)	59.1 (0.4-78.7)	50.7 (0.5-74.7)	60.7 (1.1-79.0)	59.1 (3.1-78.8)	30.8 (0.1-80.6)	55.0 (0.3-81.4)	46.6 (0.2-76.8)	57.9 (0.1-80.8)
0 to <=10	25 (2.7)	8 (5.5)	13 (1.7)	1 (1.2)	156 (26.2)	80 (18.7)	118 (23.8)	128 (11.8)
10 to <=18	30 (3.3)	14 (9.7)	24 (3.2)	2 (2.4)	76 (12.8)	29 (6.8)	42 (8.5)	66 (6.1)
18 to <=30	105 (11.4)	26 (17.9)	63 (8.5)	12 (14.3)	65 (10.9)	31 (7.3)	43 (8.7)	100 (9.2)
30 to <=40	82 (8.9)	17 (11.7)	54 (7.2)	6 (7.1)	32 (5.4)	32 (7.5)	23 (4.6)	61 (5.6)
40 to <=50	92 (10.0)	5 (3.4)	80 (10.7)	9 (10.7)	24 (4.0)	26 (6.1)	33 (6.7)	63 (5.8)
50 to <=60	149 (16.2)	28 (19.3)	126 (16.9)	13 (15.5)	56 (9.4)	54 (12.6)	38 (7.7)	175 (16.1)
60 to <=75	422 (45.8)	47 (32.4)	373 (50.1)	40 (47.6)	174 (29.2)	167 (39.1)	193 (39.0)	471 (43.4)
75+	17 (1.8)	0 (0.0)	12 (1.6)	1 (1.2)	12 (2.0)	8 (1.9)	5 (1.0)	22 (2.0)
Sex - no. (%)								
Male	492 (53.4)	88 (60.7)	400 (53.7)	53 (63.1)	342 (57.5)	291 (68.1)	301 (60.8)	694 (63.9)
Female	430 (46.6)	57 (39.3)	345 (46.3)	31 (36.9)	253 (42.5)	136 (31.9)	194 (39.2)	392 (36.1)
Race - no. (%)								
White	597 (64.8)	106 (73.1)	580 (77.9)	67 (79.8)	371 (62.4)	320 (74.9)	373 (75.4)	925 (85.2)
Black or African American	142 (15.4)	24 (16.6)	77 (10.3)	8 (9.5)	104 (17.5)	57 (13.3)	60 (12.1)	96 (8.8)
Asian	96 (10.4)	2 (1.4)	35 (4.7)	2 (2.4)	54 (9.1)	15 (3.5)	24 (4.8)	15 (1.4)

Characteristic	LTM D+/R+	LTM D+/R-	LTM D-/R+	LTM D-/R-	No LTM D+/R+	No LTM D+/R-	No LTM D-/R+	No LTM D-/R-
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	5 (0.5)	0 (0.0)	4 (0.5)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)	2 (0.2)
American Indian or Alaska Native	4 (0.4)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.3)	1 (1.2)	4 (0.7)	5 (1.2)	2 (0.4)	2 (0.2)
More than one race	9 (1.0)	2 (1.4)	11 (1.5)	2 (2.4)	12 (2.0)	4 (0.9)	11 (2.2)	14 (1.3)
Not reported	69 (7.5)	11 (7.6)	36 (4.8)	4 (4.8)	49 (8.2)	26 (6.1)	24 (4.8)	32 (2.9)
Ethnicity - no. (%)								
Hispanic or Latino	159 (17.2)	19 (13.1)	81 (10.9)	9 (10.7)	114 (19.2)	49 (11.5)	60 (12.1)	69 (6.4)
Non Hispanic or non-Latino	731 (79.3)	118 (81.4)	643 (86.3)	74 (88.1)	440 (73.9)	361 (84.5)	420 (84.8)	986 (90.8)
Non-resident of the U.S.	2 (0.2)	1 (0.7)	3 (0.4)	0 (0.0)	16 (2.7)	5 (1.2)	1 (0.2)	3 (0.3)
Not reported	30 (3.3)	7 (4.8)	18 (2.4)	1 (1.2)	25 (4.2)	12 (2.8)	14 (2.8)	28 (2.6)
Karnofsky score prior to HCT - no. (%)								
90-100%	499 (54.1)	81 (55.9)	387 (51.9)	51 (60.7)	330 (55.5)	237 (55.5)	261 (52.7)	608 (56.0)
< 90%	416 (45.1)	62 (42.8)	355 (47.7)	30 (35.7)	225 (37.8)	165 (38.6)	203 (41.0)	447 (41.2)
Not reported	7 (0.8)	2 (1.4)	3 (0.4)	3 (3.6)	40 (6.7)	25 (5.9)	31 (6.3)	31 (2.9)
HCT-CI - no. (%)								
0	198 (21.5)	38 (26.2)	140 (18.8)	23 (27.4)	202 (33.9)	117 (27.4)	156 (31.5)	267 (24.6)
1	152 (16.5)	25 (17.2)	122 (16.4)	16 (19.0)	100 (16.8)	82 (19.2)	88 (17.8)	200 (18.4)
2	163 (17.7)	27 (18.6)	129 (17.3)	13 (15.5)	66 (11.1)	52 (12.2)	56 (11.3)	157 (14.5)
3+	404 (43.8)	55 (37.9)	350 (47.0)	32 (38.1)	224 (37.6)	170 (39.8)	191 (38.6)	456 (42.0)
Not reported	5 (0.5)	0 (0.0)	4 (0.5)	0 (0.0)	3 (0.5)	6 (1.4)	4 (0.8)	6 (0.6)
Disease related								
Primary disease - no. (%)								
Acute myelogenous leukemia or ANLL	249 (27.0)	32 (22.1)	211 (28.3)	18 (21.4)	95 (16.0)	82 (19.2)	123 (24.8)	206 (19.0)
Acute lymphoblastic leukemia	73 (7.9)	11 (7.6)	64 (8.6)	12 (14.3)	62 (10.4)	20 (4.7)	37 (7.5)	72 (6.6)
Other leukemia	4 (0.4)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.3)	1 (1.2)	3 (0.5)	3 (0.7)	3 (0.6)	6 (0.6)
Chronic myelogenous leukemia	15 (1.6)	1 (0.7)	13 (1.7)	2 (2.4)	1 (0.2)	3 (0.7)	5 (1.0)	17 (1.6)
Myelodysplastic/myeloproliferative disorders (please classify all preleukemias)	111 (12.0)	10 (6.9)	86 (11.5)	13 (15.5)	63 (10.6)	52 (12.2)	50 (10.1)	149 (13.7)

Characteristic	LTM D+/R+	LTM D+/R-	LTM D-/R+	LTM D-/R-	No LTM D+/R+	No LTM D+/R-	No LTM D-/R+	No LTM D-/R-
Other acute leukemia	3 (0.3)	1 (0.7)	6 (0.8)	1 (1.2)	2 (0.3)	1 (0.2)	4 (0.8)	8 (0.7)
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	34 (3.7)	5 (3.4)	33 (4.4)	4 (4.8)	24 (4.0)	15 (3.5)	14 (2.8)	41 (3.8)
Hodgkin lymphoma	43 (4.7)	8 (5.5)	13 (1.7)	1 (1.2)	19 (3.2)	17 (4.0)	10 (2.0)	45 (4.1)
Plasma cell disorder/Multiple Myeloma	3 (0.3)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.3)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.3)	1 (0.2)	2 (0.4)	3 (0.3)
Severe aplastic anemia	123 (13.3)	17 (11.7)	92 (12.3)	8 (9.5)	93 (15.6)	25 (5.9)	87 (17.6)	81 (7.5)
Inherited bone marrow failure syndromes	8 (0.9)	2 (1.4)	5 (0.7)	1 (1.2)	22 (3.7)	12 (2.8)	14 (2.8)	29 (2.7)
Hemoglobinopathies	39 (4.2)	15 (10.3)	17 (2.3)	2 (2.4)	70 (11.8)	45 (10.5)	28 (5.7)	76 (7.0)
Paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria	2 (0.2)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.3)	0 (0.0)	3 (0.5)	1 (0.2)	2 (0.4)	2 (0.2)
SCID and other immune system disorders	7 (0.8)	5 (3.4)	4 (0.5)	0 (0.0)	51 (8.6)	26 (6.1)	34 (6.9)	39 (3.6)
Inherited abnormalities of platelets	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (1.2)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.1)
Inherited disorders of metabolism	2 (0.2)	2 (1.4)	2 (0.3)	1 (1.2)	4 (0.7)	18 (4.2)	6 (1.2)	25 (2.3)
Autoimmune Diseases	1 (0.1)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	7 (1.2)	3 (0.7)	1 (0.2)	0 (0.0)
Other, specify	2 (0.2)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
Tolerance induction associated with solid organ transplant	0 (0.0)	1 (0.7)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)	1 (0.2)	1 (0.2)	0 (0.0)
Myeloproliferative Neoplasms	203 (22.0)	35 (24.1)	193 (25.9)	19 (22.6)	72 (12.1)	102 (23.9)	74 (14.9)	286 (26.3)
Time from diagnosis to transplant, month - median (min-max)	9.7 (0.2-589.8)	16.6 (1.2-421.0)	8.3 (1.2-566.0)	11.4 (3.2-272.0)	9.3 (1.0-384.7)	11.3 (1.3-610.8)	8.3 (1.2-630.2)	12.3 (0.5-607.3)
Infection related								
First antiviral drug given as prophylaxis(yes/no) - no. (%)								
No	6 (0.7)	1 (0.7)	6 (0.8)	2 (2.4)	19 (3.2)	24 (5.6)	12 (2.4)	50 (4.6)
Yes	894 (97.0)	142 (97.9)	721 (96.8)	82 (97.6)	575 (96.6)	403 (94.4)	483 (97.6)	1036 (95.4)
first antiviral drug given as prophylaxis - Valacyclovir (Valtrex)	168 (18.2)	32 (22.1)	148 (19.9)	19 (22.6)	102 (17.1)	76 (17.8)	100 (20.2)	200 (18.4)
first antiviral drug given as prophylaxis - Valganciclovir (Valcyte)	10 (1.1)	4 (2.8)	7 (0.9)	1 (1.2)	17 (2.9)	3 (0.7)	9 (1.8)	6 (0.6)

Characteristic	LTM D+/R+	LTM D+/R-	LTM D-/R+	LTM D-/R-	No LTM D+/R+	No LTM D+/R-	No LTM D-/R+	No LTM D-/R-
first antiviral drug given as prophylaxis - Famciclovir (Famvir)	14 (1.5)	1 (0.7)	10 (1.3)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.3)	3 (0.7)	0 (0.0)	10 (0.9)
first antiviral drug given as prophylaxis - Ganciclovir	3 (0.3)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.1)	1 (1.2)	12 (2.0)	2 (0.5)	11 (2.2)	1 (0.1)
first antiviral drug given as prophylaxis - Other antiviral drug	6 (0.7)	1 (0.7)	2 (0.3)	0 (0.0)	5 (0.8)	2 (0.5)	2 (0.4)	2 (0.2)
first antiviral drug given as prophylaxis - Acyclovir	710 (77.0)	106 (73.1)	558 (74.9)	65 (77.4)	456 (76.6)	322 (75.4)	374 (75.6)	829 (76.3)
Not reported	22 (2.4)	2 (1.4)	18 (2.4)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
Bacterial - no. (%)								
No	607 (65.8)	99 (68.3)	500 (67.1)	55 (65.5)	411 (69.1)	304 (71.2)	329 (66.5)	765 (70.4)
Yes	315 (34.2)	46 (31.7)	245 (32.9)	29 (34.5)	184 (30.9)	123 (28.8)	166 (33.5)	321 (29.6)
Viral - no. (%)								
No	600 (65.1)	101 (69.7)	487 (65.4)	62 (73.8)	312 (52.4)	295 (69.1)	294 (59.4)	807 (74.3)
Yes	322 (34.9)	44 (30.3)	258 (34.6)	22 (26.2)	283 (47.6)	132 (30.9)	201 (40.6)	279 (25.7)
Fungal - no. (%)								
No	880 (95.4)	137 (94.5)	710 (95.3)	82 (97.6)	573 (96.3)	417 (97.7)	474 (95.8)	1043 (96.0)
Yes	42 (4.6)	8 (5.5)	35 (4.7)	2 (2.4)	22 (3.7)	10 (2.3)	21 (4.2)	43 (4.0)
CMV - no. (%)								
No	817 (88.6)	141 (97.2)	660 (88.6)	81 (96.4)	422 (70.9)	405 (94.8)	380 (76.8)	1082 (99.6)
Yes	105 (11.4)	4 (2.8)	85 (11.4)	3 (3.6)	173 (29.1)	22 (5.2)	115 (23.2)	4 (0.4)
Transplant related								
Product type - no. (%)								
BM	178 (19.3)	33 (22.8)	113 (15.2)	12 (14.3)	213 (35.8)	99 (23.2)	157 (31.7)	238 (21.9)
PBSC	740 (80.3)	111 (76.6)	619 (83.1)	69 (82.1)	365 (61.3)	309 (72.4)	321 (64.8)	828 (76.2)
UCB	4 (0.4)	1 (0.7)	13 (1.7)	3 (3.6)	17 (2.9)	19 (4.4)	17 (3.4)	19 (1.7)
Other					0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.1)
Donor type - no. (%)								

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Characteristic	LTM D+/R+	LTM D+/R-	LTM D-/R+	LTM D-/R-	No LTM D+/R+	No LTM D+/R-	No LTM D-/R+	No LTM D-/R-
None	15 (1.6)	2 (1.4)	9 (1.2)	3 (3.6)	28 (4.7)	17 (4.0)	25 (5.1)	44 (4.1)
Ex-vivo T-cell depletion	5 (0.5)	1 (0.7)	3 (0.4)	0 (0.0)	18 (3.0)	11 (2.6)	13 (2.6)	14 (1.3)
CD34 selection	17 (1.8)	6 (4.1)	10 (1.3)	0 (0.0)	23 (3.9)	10 (2.3)	10 (2.0)	16 (1.5)
PtCy	490 (53.1)	70 (48.3)	335 (45.0)	43 (51.2)	165 (27.7)	147 (34.4)	133 (26.9)	401 (36.9)
TAC based	346 (37.5)	62 (42.8)	350 (47.0)	36 (42.9)	273 (45.9)	195 (45.7)	248 (50.1)	523 (48.2)
CSA based	32 (3.5)	4 (2.8)	32 (4.3)	2 (2.4)	72 (12.1)	38 (8.9)	53 (10.7)	64 (5.9)
Other	16 (1.7)	0 (0.0)	6 (0.8)	0 (0.0)	15 (2.5)	9 (2.1)	13 (2.6)	23 (2.1)
Not reported	1 (0.1)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.1)
ATG/Campath - no. (%)								
ATG + CAMPATH	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)	1 (0.2)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
ATG alone	197 (21.4)	48 (33.1)	181 (24.3)	17 (20.2)	210 (35.3)	104 (24.4)	134 (27.1)	268 (24.7)
CAMPATH alone	49 (5.3)	12 (8.3)	26 (3.5)	4 (4.8)	71 (11.9)	41 (9.6)	54 (10.9)	80 (7.4)
No ATG or CAMPATH	676 (73.3)	85 (58.6)	538 (72.2)	63 (75.0)	313 (52.6)	281 (65.8)	307 (62.0)	738 (68.0)
CD4 at day100 (yes/no) - no. (%)								
No	646 (70.1)	96 (66.2)	512 (68.7)	55 (65.5)	385 (64.7)	279 (65.3)	342 (69.1)	728 (67.0)
Yes	276 (29.9)	49 (33.8)	233 (31.3)	29 (34.5)	210 (35.3)	148 (34.7)	153 (30.9)	358 (33.0)
CD8 at day100 (yes/no) - no. (%)								
No	661 (71.7)	98 (67.6)	548 (73.6)	58 (69.0)	385 (64.7)	286 (67.0)	350 (70.7)	752 (69.2)
Yes	261 (28.3)	47 (32.4)	197 (26.4)	26 (31.0)	210 (35.3)	141 (33.0)	145 (29.3)	334 (30.8)
CD56 at day100 (yes/no) - no. (%)								
No	734 (79.6)	111 (76.6)	610 (81.9)	66 (78.6)	419 (70.4)	320 (74.9)	367 (74.1)	847 (78.0)
Yes	188 (20.4)	34 (23.4)	135 (18.1)	18 (21.4)	176 (29.6)	107 (25.1)	128 (25.9)	239 (22.0)
Year of current transplant - no. (%)								
2018	20 (2.2)	1 (0.7)	9 (1.2)	2 (2.4)	15 (2.5)	1 (0.2)	6 (1.2)	11 (1.0)
2019	18 (2.0)	4 (2.8)	16 (2.1)	3 (3.6)	20 (3.4)	8 (1.9)	10 (2.0)	26 (2.4)
2020	56 (6.1)	10 (6.9)	55 (7.4)	5 (6.0)	44 (7.4)	26 (6.1)	44 (8.9)	59 (5.4)
2021	255 (27.7)	39 (26.9)	220 (29.5)	26 (31.0)	209 (35.1)	111 (26.0)	176 (35.6)	351 (32.3)

Characteristic	LTM D+/R+	LTM D+/R-	LTM D-/R+	LTM D-/R-	No LTM D+/R+	No LTM D+/R-	No LTM D-/R+	No LTM D-/R-
2022	299 (32.4)	47 (32.4)	240 (32.2)	23 (27.4)	185 (31.1)	146 (34.2)	152 (30.7)	349 (32.1)
2023	274 (29.7)	44 (30.3)	205 (27.5)	25 (29.8)	122 (20.5)	135 (31.6)	107 (21.6)	290 (26.7)

Field	Response
Proposal Number	2410-55-LIND
Proposal Title	Peri-transplant Norovirus infection as a risk factor for allogeneic HSCT outcomes
Key Words	Norovirus, TRM, allogeneic HSCT, immunosuppression
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Principal Investigator #1: - Academic rank	Clinical BMT/CT Fellow
Junior investigator status (defined as ≤5 years from fellowship)	Yes
Do you identify as an underrepresented/minority?	No
Principal Investigator #2 (If applicable): - First and last name, degree(s):	Laura McLaughlin, MD
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Principal Investigator #2 (If applicable): - Institution name:	University of Colorado School of Medicine/Children's Hospital Colorado
Principal Investigator #2 (If applicable): - Academic rank:	Assistant Professor
Junior investigator status (defined as ≤5 years from fellowship)	Yes
Do you identify as an underrepresented/minority?	No
We encourage a maximum of two Principal Investigators per study. If more than one author is listed, please indicate who will be identified as the corresponding PI below:	Lind
If you are a junior investigator and would like assistance identifying a senior mentor for your project please click below:	-
Please list any ongoing CIBMTR projects that you are currently involved in and briefly describe your role.	None
Do any of the PI(s) within this proposal have a CIBMTR WC study in manuscript preparation >6 months?	No
PROPOSED WORKING COMMITTEE:	Infection and Immune Reconstitution
Please indicate if you have already spoken with a scientific director or working committee chair regarding this study.	Yes
If you have already spoken with a scientific director or working committee chair regarding this study, then please specify who:	Jeffery Auletta

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RESEARCH QUESTION:	Does peri-transplant Norovirus infection confer inferior transplant outcomes i.e. increased transplant-related mortality (TRM)?
RESEARCH HYPOTHESIS:	Allogeneic transplant recipients who develop Norovirus infection prior to or within 100 days post-transplant have inferior OS compared to recipients without Norovirus.
SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES/OUTCOMES TO BE INVESTIGATED (Include Primary, Secondary, etc.):	The primary objective is to describe the incidence and impact of norovirus infection on OS amongst allogeneic HSCT patients through a case-control retrospective cohort study. Cases and controls will be matched, and outcomes and sub stratified based on the following factors: age (pediatric vs. adult), transplant indication (malignant vs. non-malignant), preparatory regimen, stem cell source and GVHD prophylaxis regimen. Secondary objectives are to describe the rates of additional transplant-related outcomes in cases vs. matched controls including: relapse, number of inpatient days in first 100 days post-transplant, change in recipient weight from pre-transplant to 100 days post-transplant and occurrence of renal impairment and GVHD (including organs affected, severity and treatments given).

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<p>SCIENTIFIC IMPACT: Briefly state how the completion of the aims will impact participant care/outcomes and how it will advance science or clinical care.</p>	<p>Post-HSCT, diarrhea impacts 20-44% of patients, with approximately 40% of cases attributed to infectious etiologies.(1) This high incidence is primarily due to mucosal injury caused by conditioning regimens, which can be exacerbated by acute GVHD.(2) Norovirus, typically a self-limited infection in immunocompetent individuals, presents a significant risk in immunocompromised recipients, where it can cause a prolonged diarrheal illness. This poses a risk of dehydration, malnutrition, prolonged hospitalization, and mortality.(1,3-5) In one prospective observational study, over 50% of HSCT patients with norovirus experienced diarrhea lasting more than 14 days, and 29% had symptom recurrence after initial resolution.(3) Norovirus infection in HSCT patients was associated with significantly higher rates of ICU admission, serum creatinine elevation, and weight loss compared to those without the infection.(3) Another prospective trial across eight sites evaluated norovirus infection in both solid organ and HSCT recipients, finding that most infected patients had more than three episodes of diarrhea a day with 71% requiring hospitalization and 21% having clinically significant renal dysfunction. In this cohort, 30% of patients suffered from diarrhea for more than 30 days.(5) Despite the known impact of norovirus on prolonged diarrheal illness in HSCT patients, there is a lack of data on how it specifically affects key HSCT outcomes, including TRM and OS. Additional data on the incidence and consequences of norovirus in HSCT recipients will inform the prognosis of recipients who develop norovirus in the peri-transplant period.</p>

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SCIENTIFIC JUSTIFICATION: Provide a background summary of previous related research and their strengths and weaknesses, justification of your research and why your research is still necessary.	Data on the incidence of norovirus infection in patients undergoing HSCT is limited, with reported ranges from 0 to 32% among allogeneic HSCT recipients.(2,6,7) While norovirus is thought to occur more frequently in pediatric patients and in those transplanted for immune deficiencies , this is not been well-characterized in the literature. (2) Infection with norovirus or sapovirus, another calicivirus, has also been associated with increased rates of steroid-refractory and chronic GVHD in a single study, though small numbers of infections did not lend to statistical significance.(1) Although the cited prospective and retrospective studies have shown that norovirus significantly contributes to morbidity and mortality in HSCT patients,(3-5) the majority of these studies involved small patient cohorts primarily conducted at single centers and were subject to several limitations. These limitations include short follow-up periods, limited patient groups, and variability in the treatment protocols used. With limited numbers of infections occurring amongst recipients, larger data sets, such as those from CIBMTR, are needed to fully understand the impact of norovirus across different patient populations and transplant types.
PARTICIPANT SELECTION CRITERIA: State inclusion and exclusion criteria.	Inclusion: Recipients undergoing first allogeneic HSCT from 2008 -2019 who had a reported Norovirus infection either pre-transplant and/or in the first 100 days following transplant. Exclusion: Patients who experienced primary graft failure and patients lacking follow-up data at Day 100 (except for patient death occurring prior to Day 100).
Does this study include pediatric patients?	Yes
If this study does not include pediatric patients, please provide justification:	-

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DATA REQUIREMENTS: After reviewing data on CIBMTR forms, list patient-, disease- and infusion- variables to be considered in the multivariate analyses. Outline any supplementary data required.	Pre-Transplant variables: • Age, sex, race, ethnicity, donor type, stem cell donor source (UCB, BM, PBSC), degree of donor mismatch, donor and recipient CMV status, preparative regimen intensity, use of serotherapy, transplant indication (disease classification), recipient weight Infusion variables: • HCT type, product type, donor sex, graft manipulation (CD34+ selection, ex-vivo T-cell depletion) Post Transplant Variables: • Clinically significant infection (Norovirus) and time of onset pre-transplant and/or post-transplant • Specific therapies used to prevent acute GVHD • Time of onset, organs involved and maximum grade of acute GVHD • Time of onset, organs involved and maximum grade of chronic GVHD • Renal impairment/disorder, date of onset & resolution, need for dialysis • Recipient weight at 100 days post-transplant • Total number of inpatient days in the first 100 days post-infusion • Relapse • Survival • Time of death, primary and contributing causes of death
Types of cellular therapy data this proposal includes:	Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation (HCT)
PATIENT REPORTED OUTCOME (PRO) REQUIREMENTS: If the study requires PRO data collected by CIBMTR, the proposal should include: 1) A detailed description of the PRO domains, timepoints, and proposed analysis of PROs; 2) A description of the hypothesis speci	n/a
MACHINE LEARNING: Please indicate if the study requires methodology related to machine-learning and clinical predictions.	no
SAMPLE REQUIREMENTS: If the study requires biologic samples from the CIBMTR Repository, the proposal should also include: 1) A detailed description of the proposed testing methodology and sample requirements; 2) A summary of the investigator's previous e	n/a
NON-CIBMTR DATA SOURCE: If applicable, please provide: 1) A description of external data source to which the CIBMTR data will be linked; 2) The rationale for why the linkage is required.	n/a

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CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: Do you have any conflicts of interest pertinent to this proposal concerning?	No, I do not have any conflicts of interest pertinent to this proposal
If yes, provide detail on the nature of employment, name of organization, role, entity, ownership, type of financial transaction or legal proceeding and whether remuneration is >\$5000 annually.	-

2410-55 Peri-transplant Norovirus infection as a risk factor for allogeneic HSCT outcomes

First allo patient between 2008 and 2024 who had a reported Norovirus infection by the first 100 days following transplant

Characteristic	
Number of patients	136
No. of centers	61
Patient related	
Age at HCT - no. (%)	
0 to <=10	58 (42.6)
10 to <=18	10 (7.4)
18 to <=30	10 (7.4)
30 to <=40	3 (2.2)
40 to <=50	10 (7.4)
50 to <=60	16 (11.8)
60 to <=70	23 (16.9)
70+	6 (4.4)
Sex - no. (%)	
Male	80 (58.8)
Female	56 (41.2)
Race - no. (%)	
White	97 (71.3)
Black or African American	11 (8.1)
Asian	5 (3.7)
More than one race	11 (8.1)
Not reported	12 (8.8)
Ethnicity - no. (%)	
Hispanic or Latino	23 (16.9)
Not Hispanic or Latino	96 (70.6)
Non-resident of the U.S.	12 (8.8)
Not reported	5 (3.7)
Region of patient - no. (%)	
US	124 (91.2)
Canada	2 (1.5)
Europe	1 (0.7)
Australia/New Zealand	6 (4.4)
Mideast/Africa	2 (1.5)
Central/South America	1 (0.7)
Karnofsky score prior to HCT - no. (%)	
90-100	78 (57.4)

Characteristic	
< 90	47 (34.6)
Not reported	11 (8.1)
HCT-CI - no. (%)	
0	43 (31.6)
1	32 (23.5)
2	14 (10.3)
3+	45 (33.1)
Not reported	2 (1.5)
Disease related	
Primary disease - no. (%)	
Acute myelogenous leukemia or ANLL	20 (14.7)
Acute lymphoblastic leukemia	17 (12.5)
Other leukemia	1 (0.7)
Chronic myelogenous leukemia	4 (2.9)
Myelodysplastic/myeloproliferative disorders (please classify all preleukemias)	16 (11.8)
Other acute leukemia	2 (1.5)
Hodgkin lymphoma	1 (0.7)
Severe aplastic anemia	12 (8.8)
Inherited bone marrow failure syndromes	2 (1.5)
Hemoglobinopathies	10 (7.4)
Paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria	1 (0.7)
SCID and other immune system disorders	28 (20.6)
Inherited disorders of metabolism	5 (3.7)
Histiocytic disorders	2 (1.5)
Myeloproliferative Neoplasms	15 (11.0)
Transplant related	
Calculated Graft (Product) type or all the products in the transplant - no. (%)	
Bone marrow	51 (37.5)
Peripheral blood	61 (44.9)
Umbilical cord blood	19 (14.0)
PB + UCB	5 (3.7)
Donor type - no. (%)	
HLA identical sibling	21 (15.4)
Haploidentical donor	24 (17.6)
Other related	5 (3.7)
Well-matched unrelated(8/8)	43 (31.6)
Partially matched unrelated(7/8)	14 (10.3)
Mismatched unrelated(<=6/8)	1 (0.7)
Multi-donor	1 (0.7)
Unrelated (matching cannot be determined)	6 (4.4)

Characteristic	
Cord blood	21 (15.4)
Donor CMV-antibodies (IgG or Total) - no. (%)	
Negative	58 (42.6)
Positive	66 (48.5)
Not reported	12 (8.8)
Recipient CMV-antibodies (IgG or Total) - no. (%)	
Negative	40 (29.4)
Positive	93 (68.4)
Not tested or not reported	3 (2.2)
Conditioning intensity reported by center - no. (%)	
MAC	70 (51.5)
NMA	18 (13.2)
RIC	46 (33.8)
Not reported	2 (1.5)
GVHD prophylaxis - no. (%)	
None	2 (1.5)
Ex-vivo T-cell depletion	7 (5.2)
CD34 selection	6 (4.4)
PtCy	32 (23.5)
TAC based	58 (42.7)
CSA based	31 (22.8)
Ex-vivo T-cell depletion planned for GVHD prophylaxis - no. (%)	
Yes	2 (1.5)
Not reported	134 (98.5)
CD34+ selection planned for GVHD prophylaxis - no. (%)	
Yes	1 (0.7)
Not reported	135 (99.3)

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Proposal Number	2410-61-ABID
Proposal Title	The Incidence and Impact of Clostridioides Difficile Infection on CAR-T Cell Therapy Outcomes – A CIBMTR Study
Key Words	Clostridioides Difficile Infection: CAR-T; NRM
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Principal Investigator #1: - Institution name	University of Texas Houston
Principal Investigator #1: - Academic rank	Fellow
Junior investigator status (defined as ≤5 years from fellowship)	Yes
Do you identify as an underrepresented/minority?	-
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Principal Investigator #2 (If applicable): - Academic rank:	Professor, Chair
Junior investigator status (defined as ≤5 years from fellowship)	No
Do you identify as an underrepresented/minority?	No
We encourage a maximum of two Principal Investigators per study. If more than one author is listed, please indicate who will be identified as the corresponding PI below:	Muhammad Bilal Abid
If you are a junior investigator and would like assistance identifying a senior mentor for your project please click below:	Yes, I am a junior investigator and would like assistance identifying a senior mentor for my project
Please list any ongoing CIBMTR projects that you are currently involved in and briefly describe your role.	CAR-T and INWC studies
Do any of the PI(s) within this proposal have a CIBMTR WC study in manuscript preparation >6 months?	No
PROPOSED WORKING COMMITTEE:	Infection and Immune Reconstitution
Please indicate if you have already spoken with a scientific director or working committee chair regarding this study.	No
If you have already spoken with a scientific director or working committee chair regarding this study, then please specify who:	-

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RESEARCH QUESTION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is the incidence of C. Difficile infection (CDI) among CAR T-cell therapy recipients?• What are the differences between infection density and cumulative incidence of CDI in patients receiving CD19+CAR-T vs BCMA-directed CAR T-cell therapy?• What are the risk factors for the development of CDI after CAR T-cell therapy?• How does CDI impact CAR-T outcomes?
RESEARCH HYPOTHESIS:	We hypothesize that even though the incidence of CDI in CAR-T patients is low, the infection confers inferior survival.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES/OUTCOMES TO BE INVESTIGATED
(Include Primary, Secondary, etc.):

Part A: To compare non-relapse mortality (NRM) between CD19+CAR-T vs BCMA-directed CAR T-cell therapy recipients. Part B: To estimate and compare the infection density and cumulative incidence of overall, bacterial, viral, and fungal infections between CD19+CAR-T vs BCMA-directed CAR T-cell therapy recipients.

1.1 Determine the Incidence of CDI in CAR T-cell therapy recipients. 1.2 Determine the Impact of CDI on CAR-T outcomes 1.2.1 PFS 1.2.2 OS 1.2.3 Non-relapse mortality (NRM) 1.3 Identify pre-CAR-T risk factors for the development of CDI. 1.4 Identify if there are differences in CDI burden by disease type (LBCL vs RRMM) and target antigen (BCMA vs CD19)

Primary Outcomes:

- Cumulative incidence of CDI infection: This will be evaluated for CDI through day 100 after CAR T-cell infusion. This cumulative incidence will be studied separately for infections occurring during days 0-30 and days 31-100. Relapse/progressive disease and new anti-neoplastic treatment initiation (including hematopoietic cell transplantation) after CAR T-cell therapy are considered to be competing events for infection onset. Median times of all-cause and type-specific infections will be reported among infected patients. Separate estimates for pediatric (2 – 18y) and adult (>18y) patients

Secondary Outcomes:

- Non-relapse mortality (NRM): Cumulative incidence of NRM. NRM is defined as death without preceding disease relapse/progression. Relapse and progression are competing events.
- Infection density: Defined as the number of infections per patient days at risk. The densities of bacterial, viral, fungal, and all-cause infections will be studied separately over the time periods day 0-30, and day 31-100 from the time of CAR T-cell infusion. Infection density will also be evaluated pre- and post- ANC recovery. Infection density is the primary endpoint of the study.
- Infection-Related mortality (IRM) by 1 year: Cumulative incidence of death caused by infection. Relapse and death from non-infectious causes are competing events. This will be examined as a Dynamic landmark analysis at day 30, 60 and 100.
- Relapse/Progression by 1 year: Cumulative incidence of disease relapse/progression, with TRM as competing event. This will be examined as a dynamic landmark analysis for patients at day 30, 60 and 100.
- Progression-free survival by 1 year: will be

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	<p>defined as time to relapse or death from any cause. Patients are censored at last follow-up. This will be examined as a dynamic landmark analysis for patients at day 30, 60 and 100. • Overall survival (OS) by 1 year: time to death. Death from any cause will be considered an event. Surviving patients will be censored at time of last follow-up. This will be examined as a dynamic landmark analysis for patients at day 30, 60 and 100. • Cause of death by 1 year: descriptive only. This will include Primary cause of death and infection as a secondary COD • Frequency of recurrent CDI by 1 year: descriptive only • Frequency of Gram Negative BSI occurring \pm 7 days of CDI: descriptive only</p>
<p>SCIENTIFIC IMPACT: Briefly state how the completion of the aims will impact participant care/outcomes and how it will advance science or clinical care.</p>	<p>Chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy has resulted in unprecedented response rates among patients with B-cell hematologic malignancies (HMs). However, the on-target-off-tumor toxicities associated with CAR-T lead to significant morbidity and mortality. Prolonged cytopenia and B-cell aplasia, coupled with prolonged hypogammaglobulinemia, result in a heightened risk for infections for an extended duration. Infections are one of the most common causes of death among CAR-T recipients, second only to disease relapse. CDI remains a common infection among transplant and cellular therapy recipients. However, the incidence, risk factors, and impact of CDI on CAR-T outcomes have never been examined. Such data will aid in the development of risk-adapted and target antigen-specific infection prevention guidelines.</p>

SCIENTIFIC JUSTIFICATION: Provide a background summary of previous related research and their strengths and weaknesses, justification of your research and why your research is still necessary.

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Does this study include pediatric patients?	Yes
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DATA REQUIREMENTS: After reviewing data on CIBMTR forms, list patient-, disease- and infusion- variables to be considered in the multivariate analyses. Outline any supplementary data required.	This data needed for the study is available on form 4100, Q179-Q182. No supplemental data will be needed.
Types of cellular therapy data this proposal includes:	Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-Cell Therapy (CAR-T)

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1.0 Research Question:

- What is the incidence of C. Difficile infection (CDI) among CAR T-cell therapy recipients?
- What are the differences between infection density and cumulative incidence of CDI in patients receiving CD19+CAR-T vs BCMA-directed CAR T-cell therapy?
- What are the risk factors for the development of CDI after CAR T-cell therapy?

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- How does CDI impact CAR-T outcomes?

1.0 Research Hypothesis:

We hypothesize that even though the incidence of CDI in CAR-T patients is low, the infection confers inferior survival.

2.0 Specific Aims:

Part A: To compare non-relapse mortality (NRM) between CD19+CAR-T vs BCMA-directed CAR T-cell therapy recipients.

Part B: To estimate and compare the infection density and cumulative incidence of overall, bacterial, viral, and fungal infections between CD19+CAR-T vs BCMA-directed CAR T-cell therapy recipients.

1.1 Determine the Incidence of CDI in CAR T-cell therapy recipients.

1.2 Determine the Impact of CDI on CAR-T outcomes

1.2.1 PFS

1.2.2 OS

1.2.3 Non-relapse mortality (NRM)

1.3 Identify pre-CAR-T risk factors for the development of CDI.

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6.0 Outcomes (Combined parts A & B):

Primary Outcomes:

- Cumulative incidence of CDI infection: This will be evaluated for CDI through day 100 after CAR T-cell infusion. This cumulative incidence will be studied separately for infections occurring during days 0-30 and days 31-100. Relapse/progressive disease and new anti-neoplastic treatment initiation (including hematopoietic cell transplantation) after CAR T-cell therapy are considered to be competing events for infection onset. Median times of all-cause and type-specific infections will be reported among infected patients. Separate estimates for pediatric (2 – 18y) and adult (>18y) patients

Secondary Outcomes:

- Non-relapse mortality (NRM): Cumulative incidence of NRM. NRM is defined as death without preceding disease relapse/progression. Relapse and progression are competing events.
- Infection density: Defined as the number of infections per patient days at risk. The densities of bacterial, viral, fungal, and all-cause infections will be studied separately over the time periods day 0-30, and day 31-100 from the time of CAR T-cell infusion. Infection density will also be evaluated pre- and post- ANC recovery. Infection density is the primary endpoint of the study.
- Infection-Related mortality (IRM) by 1 year: Cumulative incidence of death caused by infection. Relapse and death from non-infectious causes are competing events. This will be examined as a Dynamic landmark analysis at day 30, 60 and 100.
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- Overall survival (OS) by 1 year: time to death. Death from any cause will be considered an event. Surviving patients will be censored at time of last follow-up. This will be examined as a dynamic landmark analysis for patients at day 30, 60 and 100.
- Cause of death by 1 year: descriptive only. This will include Primary cause of death and infection as a secondary COD
- Frequency of recurrent CDI by 1 year: descriptive only
- Frequency of Gram Negative BSI occurring \pm 7 days of CDI: descriptive only

7.0 Variables to be described:

(**bolded variables** to be considered for multivariate analysis)

7.1 Patient-related:

- **Age at CAR-T**: continuous and categorical by decade
- **Gender: male vs. female**
- Body mass index: <30, 30-35, >35
- Race: White vs. African American vs. Asian vs. others vs missing
- Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino vs non-Hispanic or non-Latino vs missing

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- **Comorbid conditions** prior to CAR T cells according to HCT-CI: 0 vs. 1-2 vs. ≥ 3 vs. missing
- **Performance score** at CAR T cell infusion (KPS): < 90% vs. $\geq 90\%$ vs. missing
- **ECOG Performance status**

7.2 CAR-T-related:

- **CAR-T product in 2L setting (BCMA vs CD19)**
- **Time from diagnosis to CAR-T:** 0-6 months vs. 6-12 months vs. 1-2 years vs. 2-3 years
- **Bridging Therapy: Yes vs. No (defined as therapy between leukapheresis and lymphodepletion)**
- Type of CAR-T lymphodepletion: FluCy vs. Bendamustine vs others
- **Lines of therapy: 2 vs ≥ 3 (details of therapies)**
- **Prior autoHCT**
- **Year of CAR-T: 2017-2023**
- **Year of CAR-T: 2017 vs. 2018 vs. 2019 vs 2020 vs 2021 vs 2022 vs 2023**
- Dose of CAR T-cell (if available)
- Cytokines, Maximum level within the first 100 days and time to maximum level (CRP, Ferritin).
- Exploratory variables:
- Best response to CAR T-cell therapy by IMWG/Lugano criteria:
- CR vs. Non-CR

7.3 Disease Related

[Evaluate disease burden/status prior to LD. Nearly 20% of patients receive bridging therapy between leukapheresis and CAR-T infusion].

NHL:

- NHL Disease classification (DLBCL, FL, MCL, Others)
- Stage at diagnosis I/II/III/IV
- **LDH prior to infusion: normal or elevated**
- CNS involvement Y/N
- Number of prior lines of therapy: 1, 2, ≥ 3 , missing
- **Disease status at CAR T cell infusion: CR, PR, resistant, untreated, unknown, not reported**

MM:

- Penta-exposed MM vs not
- Number of prior lines of therapy (continuous)
- Cytogenetics (High-risk vs Standard risk)
- ISS stage: stage I vs stage II vs. stage III vs missing
- Extramedullary disease: Yes vs no

- Bone marrow involvement prior to CAR-T (>50% plasma cells yes vs no)
- Presence of cytopenias prior to CAR-T (Yes vs No)
- Bridging therapy (Yes or No)

7.4 Time-dependent

- Neutrophil recovery prior to infection: Yes/No
- Median time to neutrophil recovery
- Neutrophil count at day 100
- Lymphocyte count at day 100
- Grade 4 organ toxicity prior to infection: Yes/No
- Median time to grade 4 toxicity
- Graft Versus Host Disease (for patients with prior alloHCT receiving allo-T-cells) prior to infection (after CAR T infusion): Yes/No
- Median onset of GVHD after CAR T
- CRS prior to infection: Yes/No
- CRS grade: (as a calculated variable)
- Median time to CRS
- ICANS prior to infection: Yes/No
- ICANS grade (as a calculated variable)
- Median time to ICANS
- Received steroids: Yes/No
- Received Tocilizumab: No vs. Yes
- Received Siltuximab: No vs. Yes
- Received Anakinra: No vs. Yes
- Relapse/Progression prior to infection: Yes/No (as a competing event)
- Time from last HCT to CT in months: <6mo, 6-<12mo, <=12mo
- Alive Status: Live vs. Death

8.0 Study Design:

This is a retrospective cohort analysis of data from the CIBMTR to estimate the burden of CDI and the NRM and its impact on CAR-T outcomes. Patients will be eligible if they satisfy the criteria detailed in the “Study population” section. The objective of this analysis is to study the impact of CDI on transplant outcomes by 1 year when compared to control cohort from the same center without documented CDI.

By using the dynamic landmark analysis, univariate analysis will be performed using Kaplan-Meier Method for OS and PFS.

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Multivariable analyses will be performed using Cox proportional hazard model for OS, PFS, NRM, IRM, and relapse. The main effect of CDI versus No CDI will be kept in all models as time-dependent variable. The proportional hazards (PH) assumption for each factor in the Cox model will be tested. If some covariates violate the PH assumptions, time-dependent covariates will be added. A stepwise model selection procedure will be used to identify all significant risk factors. Potential interactions between main effect and significant covariates will be tested.

9.0 Data Requirements:

If supplemental data is required, please review data collection forms at:

<http://www.cibmtr.org/DataManagement/DataCollectionForms/Pages/index.aspx>

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10.0 Request for Additional Data:

- Requested Data: N/A

11.0 Non-CIBMTR Data Source: N/A

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2410-61 The Incidence and Impact of Clostridioides Difficile Infection on CAR-T Cell Therapy Outcomes – A CIBMTR Study

US adult patients aged 18-75 years with relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma who received first BCMA-directed CAR-T (Idecel or ciltacel). And US patients aged 2-75 years with R/R B-cell ALL who received first CD19 CAR-T. And US adult patients aged 18-75 years with Aggressive B cell NHL patients who underwent FDA-approved CD19 CAR T cell therapy

Characteristic	CD19+CAR-T ALL	CD19+CAR-T NHL	BCMA ide-cel MM	BCMA ciltacel MM
Number of patients	818	4296	600	123
No. of centers	114	130	61	35
Patient related				
Level Age at CT Treatment - median (min-max)	16.2 (2.0-72.3)	62.2 (18.3-75.0)	63.7 (29.3-74.9)	64.9 (37.6-74.9)
Age group - no. (%)				
≤10	215 (26.3)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
11-18	270 (33.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
19-30	260 (31.8)	140 (3.3)	1 (0.2)	0 (0.0)
31-40	25 (3.1)	236 (5.5)	3 (0.5)	4 (3.3)
41-50	13 (1.6)	440 (10.2)	38 (6.3)	12 (9.8)
51-60	18 (2.2)	1021 (23.8)	160 (26.7)	35 (28.5)
61-70	16 (2.0)	1738 (40.5)	282 (47.0)	45 (36.6)
>70	1 (0.1)	721 (16.8)	116 (19.3)	27 (22.0)
Age group - no. (%)				
2-18	485 (59.3)	NA	NA	NA
≥18	333 (40.7)	NA	NA	NA
Recipient Sex - no. (%)				
Male	498 (60.9)	2706 (63.0)	351 (58.5)	65 (52.8)
Female	320 (39.1)	1590 (37.0)	249 (41.5)	58 (47.2)

Characteristic	CD19+CAR-T ALL	CD19+CAR-T NHL	BCMA ide-cel MM	BCMA cilta-cel MM
Recipient race - no. (%)				
White	582 (71.1)	3472 (80.8)	471 (78.5)	95 (77.2)
Black or African American	52 (6.4)	260 (6.1)	93 (15.5)	17 (13.8)
Asian	33 (4.0)	231 (5.4)	12 (2.0)	1 (0.8)
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	2 (0.2)	9 (0.2)	1 (0.2)	0 (0.0)
American Indian or Alaska Native	6 (0.7)	18 (0.4)	2 (0.3)	0 (0.0)
Other	22 (2.7)	25 (0.6)	3 (0.5)	1 (0.8)
More than one race	91 (11.1)	209 (4.9)	9 (1.5)	7 (5.7)
Missing	30 (3.7)	72 (1.7)	9 (1.5)	2 (1.6)
Ethnicity - no. (%)				
Hispanic or Latino	360 (44.0)	506 (11.8)	44 (7.3)	14 (11.4)
Not Hispanic or Latino	425 (52.0)	3619 (84.2)	545 (90.8)	104 (84.6)
Non-resident of the U.S.	12 (1.5)	37 (0.9)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
Not reported	21 (2.6)	134 (3.1)	11 (1.8)	5 (4.1)
Karnofsky performance score prior to CT - no. (%)				
90-100	486 (59.4)	1725 (40.2)	206 (34.3)	50 (40.7)
80	153 (18.7)	1274 (29.7)	236 (39.3)	45 (36.6)
< 80	129 (15.8)	896 (20.9)	129 (21.5)	21 (17.1)
Not reported	50 (6.1)	401 (9.3)	29 (4.8)	7 (5.7)
ECOG performance status prior to CT - no. (%)				
Asymptomatic	486 (59.4)	1725 (40.2)	206 (34.3)	50 (40.7)
Symptomatic but completely ambulatory	239 (29.2)	1975 (46.0)	331 (55.2)	60 (48.8)
Symptomatic,<50% in bed during the day	39 (4.8)	180 (4.2)	31 (5.2)	6 (4.9)
Symptomatic,>50% in bed,but not bedbound	4 (0.5)	13 (0.3)	2 (0.3)	0 (0.0)
Bedbound	0 (0.0)	2 (0.0)	1 (0.2)	0 (0.0)
Not reported	50 (6.1)	401 (9.3)	29 (4.8)	7 (5.7)

Characteristic	CD19+CAR-T ALL	CD19+CAR-T NHL	BCMA ide-cel MM	BCMA cilta-cel MM
Infection				
Fungal - no. (%)				
No	797 (97.4)	4174 (97.2)	589 (98.2)	122 (99.2)
Yes	21 (2.6)	122 (2.8)	11 (1.8)	1 (0.8)
Viral - no. (%)				
No	657 (80.3)	3723 (86.7)	503 (83.8)	110 (89.4)
Yes	161 (19.7)	573 (13.3)	97 (16.2)	13 (10.6)
Bacterial - no. (%)				
No	676 (82.6)	3681 (85.7)	518 (86.3)	107 (87.0)
Yes	142 (17.4)	615 (14.3)	82 (13.7)	16 (13.0)
C. Difficile	50	150	26	6
Disease related				
Disease - no. (%)				
Acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL)	818 (100)	NA	NA	NA
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma (NHL)	NA	4296 (100)	NA	NA
Plasma cell disorder/multiple myeloma (PCD/MM)	NA	NA	600 (100)	123 (100)
Year of CT - no. (%)				
2017	8 (1.0)	4 (0.1)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
2018	104 (12.7)	420 (9.8)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
2019	141 (17.2)	788 (18.3)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
2020	127 (15.5)	842 (19.6)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
2021	133 (16.3)	829 (19.3)	239 (39.8)	0 (0.0)
2022	187 (22.9)	989 (23.0)	317 (52.8)	95 (77.2)
2023	90 (11.0)	417 (9.7)	44 (7.3)	15 (12.2)
2024	28 (3.4)	7 (0.2)	0 (0.0)	13 (10.6)

Field	Response
Proposal Number	2410-137-SHAHID
Proposal Title	Impact of Letermovir Prophylaxis on the Epidemiology of CMV Infection Among Allogenic Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy Recipients Receiving Post-Transplant Cyclophosphamide
Key Words	Letermovir, CMV prophylaxis, early CMV infection, late CMV infection, post-transplant cyclophosphamide, hematopoietic cellular therapy recipients
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Principal Investigator #1: - Academic rank	Associated Attending
Junior investigator status (defined as ≤5 years from fellowship)	No
Do you identify as an underrepresented/minority?	Yes
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Please list any ongoing CIBMTR projects that you are currently involved in and briefly describe your role.	I do not have any active studies with CIBMTR currently
Do any of the PI(s) within this proposal have a CIBMTR WC study in manuscript preparation >6 months?	No
PROPOSED WORKING COMMITTEE:	Infection and Immune Reconstitution
Please indicate if you have already spoken with a scientific director or working committee chair regarding this study.	Yes
If you have already spoken with a scientific director or working committee chair regarding this study, then please specify who:	Hemant Murthy

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RESEARCH QUESTION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is the impact of letermovir prophylaxis on the epidemiology of Cytomegalovirus (CMV) infection (both in early and late risk periods) among allogeneic hematopoietic cell therapy (HCT) recipients receiving post-transplant cyclophosphamide as graft vs. host disease (GvHD) prophylaxis in the real world? What is the impact of letermovir prophylaxis on non-CMV-related clinical outcomes in post Tx- Cy settings?
RESEARCH HYPOTHESIS:	<p>Post-transplant CMV prophylaxis with Letermovir has changed the epidemiology of CMV disease after HCT. Letermovir prophylaxis is approved for CMV seropositive recipients (R+) with a high risk of CMV reactivation. It has now become standard of care to implement post-transplant CMV prophylaxis with letermovir for the first 100 days to prevent clinically significant CMV disease. However, CMV prophylaxis among CMV (R+) recipients is not universal and many centers report difficulty obtaining insurance clearance for letermovir. Post-transplant Cyclophosphamide (post-Tx Cy) is gradually becoming the standard of care for GvHD prophylaxis, and it is associated with a high risk of CMV infection. Because of the increased CMV risk patients receiving post-Tx Cy are placed on Letermovir for the first 100 days to prevent CMV-associated morbidity. We aim to study differences in the epidemiology of CMV infection among CMV R+ HCT recipients receiving post-transplant cyclophosphamide on letermovir prophylaxis with CMV R+ HCT recipients not receiving CMV prophylaxis in the real-world setting and its impact on clinical outcomes such as non-relapse mortality and overall survival. We hypothesize that CMV prophylaxis will impact short-term and long-term clinical outcomes, affecting not only CMV-related but also CMV-unrelated complications.</p>

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<p>SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES/OUTCOMES TO BE INVESTIGATED (Include Primary, Secondary, etc.):</p>	<p>Primary Objective - To study the incidence of CMV infection among CMV R+ HCT recipients receiving post-TX Cy as GvHD prophylaxis both in the absence and presence of CMV prophylaxis</p> <p>Secondary Objective - To evaluate differences in the epidemiology of early and late CMV infection in the presence and absence of CMV prophylaxis</p> <p>- To study the risk factors associated with early and late CMV infection (day 100, 180, and 365) with or without CMV prophylaxis in different transplant settings utilizing post-Tx Cy as GvHD prophylaxis.</p> <p>- To study the differences in the epidemiology of other viral reactivation among the two comparator groups</p> <p>- To study the impact of CMV infection on clinical overall survival and non-relapse mortality in the study population</p>
<p>SCIENTIFIC IMPACT: Briefly state how the completion of the aims will impact participant care/outcomes and how it will advance science or clinical care.</p>	<p>The results from our proposed study will provide an opportunity to analyze a multicenter large cohort of allogeneic HCT recipients receiving post-Tx Cy to better understand the impact of CMV prophylaxis on the epidemiology of early and late CMV infection. The risk assessment analysis generated with this study will help identify risk factors for CMV infections in the post-Tx cy settings. The results from the study will enhance our understanding of CMV infection with the current transplant modalities and will help establish further guidelines to improve CMV prophylaxis strategies.</p>

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SCIENTIFIC JUSTIFICATION: Provide a background summary of previous related research and their strengths and weaknesses, justification of your research and why your research is still necessary.	Utilization of posttransplant cyclophosphamide is associated with increased risk of CMV infection ^{1,2} . Letermovir for CMV prophylaxis showed a significantly reduced risk of clinically significant CMV infection ³ . CMV prophylaxis has changed the epidemiology of CMV infection. Breakthrough infections are uncommon and post-prophylaxis CMV reactivation is not uncommon ⁴ . Letermovir prophylaxis practices across different institutions can be variable. Single-center studies have reported CMV-related morbidity and overall mortality benefits; however, this has not been validated in large multicenter studies and the results are conflicting ⁵⁻⁸ . Importantly, early Letermovir studies did not include patients receiving post-transplant cyclophosphamide, and later studies are limited ^{9,10} . This highlights the critical need to address this gap in current research. Results from our study will allow us to understand the role of CMV prophylaxis and help guide future prophylaxis strategies for patients receiving post-transplant cyclophosphamide for GvHD prophylaxis.
PARTICIPANT SELECTION CRITERIA: State inclusion and exclusion criteria.	Inclusion criteria: All patients who have received allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplantation who received post-transplant cyclophosphamide as GvHD prophylaxis and are CMV seropositive (R+) between 2022 and 2024. Exclusion criteria: Relapse or death in the first 6 months post HCT.
Does this study include pediatric patients?	No
If this study does not include pediatric patients, please provide justification:	Letermovir was just approved for the pediatric population. The number might be too low.

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DATA REQUIREMENTS: After reviewing data on CIBMTR forms, list patient-, disease- and infusion- variables to be considered in the multivariate analyses. Outline any supplementary data required.	<p>The following variables will need to be collected.</p> <p>Patient-related: • Age at transplant • Gender: male vs. female • Karnofsky performance status at transplant: ≥ 90 vs. < 90 vs. missing • Race: Caucasian vs. others vs. missing • Ethnicity • Recipient CMV serostatus • Transplant Course: • Letemovir prophylaxis yes vs no • CMV reactivation yes vs no • CMV end-organ disease yes vs no • CMV treatment detail if available • HHV-6 reactivation: yes vs. no • AKI yes vs no • CD4 count at day 100, 180, 365 • ALC at 100, 180 and 365 • IgG at 100, 180 and 365 • Disease-related: • Underlying malignancy • Time from diagnosis to transplantation • Disease state at the time of transplant: CR vs Cri vs PR vs SD • Transplant-related: • Graft source: peripheral blood vs bone marrow vs cord blood • Transplant donor type: Match related donor vs. match unrelated donor vs. mismatch unrelated donor vs. haploidentical • Conditioning intensity: myeloablative vs. reduced intensity conditioning/ non-myeloablative • Total Body Irradiation: TBI vs non-TBI based conditioning regimen. • Graft manipulation (ex-vivo TCD, CD34 selection)- yes vs no • GVHD prophylaxis • ATG/alemtuzumab use in conditioning: no vs. yes • Donor-recipient sex match: male-male vs. male-female vs. female-male vs. female-female vs. missing • CMV serostatus of the donor • Year of transplant: Continuous • GvHD grade II-IV yes vs no</p>
Types of cellular therapy data this proposal includes:	Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation (HCT)
PATIENT REPORTED OUTCOME (PRO) REQUIREMENTS: If the study requires PRO data collected by CIBMTR, the proposal should include: 1) A detailed description of the PRO domains, timepoints, and proposed analysis of PROs; 2) A description of the hypothesis speci	NA
MACHINE LEARNING: Please indicate if the study requires methodology related to machine-learning and clinical predictions.	NA

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SAMPLE REQUIREMENTS: If the study requires biologic samples from the CIBMTR Repository, the proposal should also include: 1) A detailed description of the proposed testing methodology and sample requirements; 2) A summary of the investigator's previous e	NA
NON-CIBMTR DATA SOURCE: If applicable, please provide: 1) A description of external data source to which the CIBMTR data will be linked; 2) The rationale for why the linkage is required.	NA

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	Saad A. Risk of Cytomegalovirus Infection with Post-Transplantation Cyclophosphamide in Haploidentical and HLA-Matched Unrelated Donor Transplantation. Transplantation and Cellular Therapy. 2022/04/01/ 2022;28(4):213.e1-213.e6. doi: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jtct.2022.01.011
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: Do you have any conflicts of interest pertinent to this proposal concerning?	No, I do not have any conflicts of interest pertinent to this proposal
If yes, provide detail on the nature of employment, name of organization, role, entity, ownership, type of financial transaction or legal proceeding and whether remuneration is >\$5000 annually.	-

2410-137 Impact of Letermovir Prophylaxis on the Epidemiology of CMV Infection Among Allogeneic Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy Recipients Receiving Post-Transplant Cyclophosphamide

US patients who underwent their first allogeneic transplant between 2022 and 2024, received post-transplant cyclophosphamide for GvHD prophylaxis, were CMV R+, and did not relapse or die within six months post-transplant

Characteristic	Not received letermovir	Received letermovir
Number of patients	160	458
No. of centers	69	99
Patient related		
Age at HCT - no. (%)		
Median (min-max)	43.2 (0.3-77.9)	58.0 (3.2-79.0)
<18	43 (26.9)	19 (4.1)
18 to 49	48 (30.0)	144 (31.4)
50 to 65	34 (21.3)	164 (35.8)
≥65	35 (21.9)	131 (28.6)
Sex - no. (%)		
Male	90 (56.3)	235 (51.3)
Female	70 (43.8)	223 (48.7)
Race - no. (%)		
White	86 (53.8)	296 (64.6)
Black or African American	37 (23.1)	85 (18.6)
Asian	14 (8.8)	41 (9.0)
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	1 (0.6)	2 (0.4)
American Indian or Alaska Native	2 (1.3)	1 (0.2)
More than one race	4 (2.5)	6 (1.3)
Not reported	16 (10.0)	27 (5.9)
Ethnicity - no. (%)		
Hispanic or Latino	32 (20.0)	79 (17.2)
Non Hispanic or non-Latino	117 (73.1)	365 (79.7)
Non-resident of the U.S.	1 (0.6)	2 (0.4)
Not reported	10 (6.3)	12 (2.6)
Karnofsky score prior to HCT - no. (%)		
90-100%	79 (49.4)	234 (51.1)
< 90%	68 (42.5)	223 (48.7)
Not reported	13 (8.1)	1 (0.2)
HCT-CI - no. (%)		
0	52 (32.5)	96 (21.0)
1	25 (15.6)	79 (17.2)

Characteristic	Not received letermovir	Received letermovir
2	18 (11.3)	85 (18.6)
3+	63 (39.4)	195 (42.6)
Not reported	2 (1.3)	3 (0.6)
Disease related		
Primary disease - no. (%)		
Leukemia	77 (48.1)	245 (53.5)
Lymphoma	11 (6.9)	29 (6.3)
MDS/MNP	20 (12.5)	102 (22.3)
Non-malignant disorders	52 (32.5)	82 (17.9)
Leukemia	77 (48.1)	245 (53.5)
Time from diagnosis to transplant, month - median (min-max)	8.5 (1.5-459.5)	9.7 (0.2-571.0)
Infection related		
Was letermovir (Prevymis) given as prophylaxis? - no. (%)		
No	146 (91.3)	0 (0.0)
Yes	0 (0.0)	458 (100)
Not reported/Other prophylaxis given	14 (8.8)	0 (0.0)
CMV reactivation - no. (%)		
No	124 (77.5)	394 (86.0)
Yes	36 (22.5)	64 (14.0)
HHV-6 - no. (%)		
Yes	10 (6.3)	31 (6.8)
No	150 (93.8)	427 (93.2)
Transplant related		
Product type - no. (%)		
BM	51 (31.9)	66 (14.4)
PBSC	109 (68.1)	391 (85.4)
UCB	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)
Donor CMV-antibodies (IgG or Total) - no. (%)		
Negative	76 (47.5)	193 (42.1)
Positive	83 (51.9)	262 (57.2)
Not reported	1 (0.6)	3 (0.7)
Donor type - no. (%)		
HLA identical sibling	15 (9.4)	43 (9.4)
Haploidentical donor	60 (37.5)	115 (25.1)
Other related	1 (0.6)	4 (0.9)
Well-matched unrelated(8/8)	37 (23.1)	121 (26.4)
Partially matched unrelated(7/8)	38 (23.8)	149 (32.5)
Mismatched unrelated(<=6/8)	5 (3.1)	20 (4.4)

Characteristic	Not received letermovir	Received letermovir
Multi-donor	1 (0.6)	2 (0.4)
Unrelated (matching cannot be determined)	3 (1.9)	3 (0.7)
Cord blood	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)
Classify the recipient's prescribed preparative regimen - no. (%)		
Myeloablative	56 (35.0)	141 (30.8)
Non-myeloablative (NST)	33 (20.6)	77 (16.8)
Reduced intensity (RIC)	70 (43.8)	238 (52.0)
Not reported	1 (0.6)	2 (0.4)
Was irradiation performed as part of the pre-HCT preparative regimen? - no. (%)		
No	82 (51.3)	213 (46.5)
Yes	77 (48.1)	238 (52.0)
Not reported	1 (0.6)	7 (1.5)
Given radiation field (2000) - no. (%)		
TBI	77 (48.1)	235 (51.3)
IMRT	0 (0.0)	3 (0.7)
Not reported	83 (51.9)	220 (48.0)
GVHD prophylaxis - no. (%)		
CD34 selection	1 (0.6)	2 (0.4)
PtCy	159 (99.4)	456 (99.6)
ATG/Campath - no. (%)		
ATG alone	44 (27.5)	69 (15.1)
CAMPATH alone	8 (5.0)	2 (0.4)
No ATG or CAMPATH	108 (67.5)	387 (84.5)
Recipient CMV-antibodies (IgG or Total) - no. (%)		
Positive	160 (100)	458 (100)
Donor CMV-antibodies (IgG or Total) - no. (%)		
Negative	76 (47.5)	192 (41.9)
Positive	83 (51.9)	262 (57.2)
Not reported	1 (0.6)	4 (0.8)
Year of current transplant - no. (%)		
2022	85 (53.1)	215 (46.9)
2023	75 (46.9)	243 (53.1)

Field	Response
Proposal Number	2410-141-SHAHID
Proposal Title	Epidemiology of Respiratory Virus Infections among Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy and Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-cell Therapy Recipients in the Post COVID-19 and Respiratory Syncytial Virus Vaccine Era
Key Words	Respiratory Virus Infections, Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy, CAR T-cell therapy
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Please list any ongoing CIBMTR projects that you are currently involved in and briefly describe your role.	NA
Do any of the PI(s) within this proposal have a CIBMTR WC study in manuscript preparation >6 months?	No
PROPOSED WORKING COMMITTEE:	Infection and Immune Reconstitution
Please indicate if you have already spoken with a scientific director or working committee chair regarding this study.	Yes
If you have already spoken with a scientific director or working committee chair regarding this study, then please specify who:	Hemant Murthy

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RESEARCH QUESTION:	- What is the epidemiology of respiratory virus infections (RVIs) among hematopoietic cellular therapy (HCT) and chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy patients in the post-COVID-19 pandemic and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccine era? - What is the impact of RVI on clinical outcomes among HCT and CAR-T cell therapy recipients?
RESEARCH HYPOTHESIS:	The impact of SARS-CoV-2's emergence as a community virus, along with the availability of vaccines against SARS-CoV-2 and RSV, on the epidemiology of respiratory virus infections (RVIs) among hematopoietic cell transplant (HCT) and CAR T-cell therapy recipients remains largely unknown. We hypothesize that the epidemiology of RVIs in these patient populations has evolved over the past 4 years. This study aims to investigate the shifting landscape of RVI epidemiology during the first-year post-transplant, examining how these changes may influence infection patterns and outcomes.
SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES/OUTCOMES TO BE INVESTIGATED (Include Primary, Secondary, etc.):	Primary Objective: To study the epidemiology of different respiratory viruses post-HCT and CAR T-cell Secondary Objectives To study the severity of different RVIs post HCT and CAR T. To Identify risk factors associated with severe RVIs among HCT and CAR T recipients To study overall survival and non-relapse mortality among patients with RVIs To assess the mortality associated with RVIs To study to correlate the severity of infection with time from transplantation or infusion. To study immune correlates of RVI post-HCT and CAR T cell therapy
SCIENTIFIC IMPACT: Briefly state how the completion of the aims will impact participant care/outcomes and how it will advance science or clinical care.	. This study aims to bridge the current knowledge gap, shedding light on the distribution and clinical impact of RVIs in this high-risk population during the post-pandemic era. We aim to inform clinical decision-making and infection prevention strategies. The findings of this study will improve clinical outcomes among HCT and CAR T-cell therapy recipients.

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SCIENTIFIC JUSTIFICATION: Provide a background summary of previous related research and their strengths and weaknesses, justification of your research and why your research is still necessary.	Respiratory viral infections (RVIs) represent a substantial risk to patients with hematologic malignancies (HM), particularly those who have undergone hematopoietic stem cell transplants (HCT) or received chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy. The COVID-19 pandemic has intensified the burden of RVIs within these vulnerable populations. However, the post-pandemic landscape of RVIs remains poorly understood. Factors such as altered masking behaviors, expanded availability of molecular testing for RVIs, and diverse preventative practices across communities, combined with rising vaccine hesitancy, contribute to an evolving epidemiology of these infections. The impact of these shifts on the epidemiology of RVIs and the relative contribution of each virus in this highly susceptible patient group remains unclear. Historically, respiratory syncytial virus has been the predominant RVI in these populations. The recent approval of an RSV vaccine in 2023 highlights the need to assess its impact on RVI epidemiology. At present, FDA-approved vaccines are available for three key respiratory viruses: Influenza, SARS-CoV-2, and RSV. Thoroughly understanding the infection patterns and disease burden among HM patients is essential for developing targeted mitigation strategies and enhancing vaccine advocacy
PARTICIPANT SELECTION CRITERIA: State inclusion and exclusion criteria.	Inclusions Criteria: Patients diagnosed with RVIs receiving CAR-T cell therapy and HCT starting Jan 2022 –Dec 2024 that are alive at one-year post infusion.
Does this study include pediatric patients?	No
If this study does not include pediatric patients, please provide justification:	NA

DATA REQUIREMENTS: After reviewing data on CIBMTR forms, list patient-, disease- and infusion- variables to be considered in the multivariate analyses. Outline any supplementary data required.

We hope to capture two respiratory viral seasons for this study: 2022-2023, and 2023-24. Dateline variables:

Patient-related: • Age at transplant
• Gender • Race • Ethnicity • HCT
comorbidity
index • Gender: male vs. female • Karnofsky
performance status at transplant: ≥ 90 vs. < 90 vs.
missing • Race: Caucasian vs. others vs.
missing • Ethnicity Transplant Course: • RVI
yes, no
• CMV reactivation: yes vs. no • HHV-6
reactivation:
yes vs. no • AKI yes vs no • CD4 at day 100, 180,
365 • ALC at day 100, 180, 365 • WBC at day
100,180,365 • IgG at day 100,
180,365 Disease-related: • Underlying
malignancy • Time from diagnosis to transplantation
• Disease state at the time of transplant: CR vs Cri
vs
PR vs SD Transplant-related: • Transplant type: Auto
vs. Allo • Graft source: peripheral blood vs bone
marrow vs cord blood • Transplant donor type: Match
related donor vs. match unrelated donor vs. mismatch
unrelated donor vs. haploidentical • Conditioning
intensity: myeloablative vs. reduced intensity
conditioning/ non-myeloablative • Total Body
Irradiation: TBI vs non-TBI based conditioning regimen.
• Graft manipulation (ex-vivo TCD, CD34 selection)-
yes vs no • GVHD prophylaxis: CNI + MTX \pm others
except MMF, post Cy vs. CNI + MMF \pm others except post
Cy vs. CNI + others except MMF, MTX vs. missing vs.
other • ATG/alemtuzumab use in conditioning: no vs.
yes • Donor-recipient sex match: male-male vs.
male-female vs. female-male vs. female-female vs.
missing • CMV serostatus matching (+/-, +/+, -/-, -
/+) between donor and recipient. • Year of transplant:
Continuous • GvHD grade II-IV yes vs no CAR T
related: • CRS Yes vs no • ICANS yes vs
no • Steroids given yes vs no • In remission at 1 year
yes vs no Respiratory Viral Infections: • RVI
date • Name of the Respiratory virus • Upper vs
Lower: CXR vs CT chest findings • Systemic steroids use
in the past 30 days: yes/no • Hospitalization:
yes/no • Supplemental oxygen: yes/no •
Intubation
yes/no • Death: yes/no • Date of death
Lab
data at the time of RVI diagnosis +/- 7 days:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ANC ALC IgG CD4 Creatinine GFR
Types of cellular therapy data this proposal includes:	Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-Cell Therapy (CAR-T)
<p>PATIENT REPORTED OUTCOME (PRO) REQUIREMENTS:</p> <p>If the study requires PRO data collected by CIBMTR, the proposal should include: 1) A detailed description of the PRO domains, timepoints, and proposed analysis of PROs; 2) A description of the hypothesis speci</p>	NA
<p>MACHINE LEARNING:</p> <p>Please indicate if the study requires methodology related to machine-learning and clinical predictions.</p>	NA
<p>SAMPLE REQUIREMENTS:</p> <p>If the study requires biologic samples from the CIBMTR Repository, the proposal should also include: 1) A detailed description of the proposed testing methodology and sample requirements; 2) A summary of the investigator's previous e</p>	NA
<p>NON-CIBMTR DATA SOURCE:</p> <p>If applicable, please provide: 1) A description of external data source to which the CIBMTR data will be linked; 2) The rationale for why the linkage is required.</p>	NA- Please note that this study includes both HCT and CAR-T patients. I was unable to pick both choices.

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CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: Do you have any conflicts of interest pertinent to this proposal concerning?	No, I do not have any conflicts of interest pertinent to this proposal
If yes, provide detail on the nature of employment, name of organization, role, entity, ownership, type of financial transaction or legal proceeding and whether remuneration is >\$5000 annually.	-

2410-141 Epidemiology of Respiratory Virus Infections among Hematopoietic Cellular Therapy and Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-cell Therapy Recipients in the Post COVID-19 and Respiratory Syncytial Virus Vaccine Era

US adult patients underwent first HCT/CAR-T in 2022-2024 diagnosed with RVIs* with any disease and at least 1-year follow up

Characteristic	HCT	CAR-T
Number of patients	109	106
No. of centers	48	53
Patient related		
Age at HCT - no. (%)		
Median (min-max)	52.5 (18.1-76.0)	64.4 (20.6-91.2)
18 to 49	52 (47.7)	20 (18.9)
50 to 65	32 (29.4)	35 (33.0)
≥65	25 (22.9)	51 (48.1)
Sex - no. (%)		
Male	61 (56.0)	66 (62.3)
Female	48 (44.0)	40 (37.7)
Race - no. (%)		
White	69 (63.3)	78 (73.6)
Black or African American	17 (15.6)	14 (13.2)
Asian	4 (3.7)	5 (4.7)
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	3 (2.8)	0 (0.0)
Other	0 (0.0)	3 (2.8)
More than one race	4 (3.7)	3 (2.8)
Not reported	12 (11.0)	3 (2.8)
Ethnicity - no. (%)		
Hispanic or Latino	25 (22.9)	20 (18.9)
Non-Hispanic or non-Latino	80 (73.4)	86 (81.1)
Non-resident of the U.S.	3 (2.8)	0 (0.0)
Not reported	1 (0.9)	0 (0.0)
Current CCN region of patient - no. (%)		
US	109 (100)	106 (100)
Karnofsky score prior to HCT - no. (%)		
90-100%	51 (46.8)	37 (34.9)
< 90%	54 (49.5)	60 (56.6)
Not reported	4 (3.7)	9 (8.5)
HCT/CT-CI - no. (%)		
0	17 (15.6)	28 (26.4)
1	21 (19.3)	24 (22.6)

Characteristic	HCT	CAR-T
2	22 (20.2)	12 (11.3)
3+	49 (45.0)	42 (39.6)
Disease related		
Primary disease - no. (%)		
Leukemia	54 (49.5)	8 (7.5)
Lymphoma	13 (11.9)	62 (58.5)
Myeloma/Plasma Cell Disorder	10 (9.2)	36 (34.0)
MDS/MNP	13 (11.9)	0 (0.0)
Non-malignant disorders	19 (17.4)	0 (0.0)
Time from diagnosis to transplant/CAR-T, month - median (min-max)	8.7 (3.0-400.5)	42.1 (1.5-240.5)
Infection related		
CMV reactivation - no. (%)		
No	90 (82.6)	95 (89.6)
Yes	19 (17.4)	11 (10.4)
HHV-6 - no. (%)		
No	96 (88.1)	106 (100)
Yes	13 (11.9)	0 (0.0)
Transplant related		
Auto/Allo/CAR-T - no. (%)		
Allogeneic	94 (86.2)	NA
Autologous	15 (13.8)	NA
CAR-T	NA	106 (100)
Product type - no. (%)		
BM	15 (13.8)	NA
PBSC	93 (85.3)	NA
UCB	1 (0.9)	NA
Donor type - no. (%)		
Cord blood	15 (13.8)	NA
HLA identical sibling	11 (10.1)	NA
Haploidentical donor	12 (11.0)	NA
Other related	1 (0.9)	NA
Well-matched unrelated(8/8)	25 (22.9)	NA
Partially matched unrelated(7/8)	14 (12.8)	NA
Multi-donor	30 (27.5)	NA
Cord blood	1 (0.9)	NA
Classify the recipient's prescribed preparative regimen - no. (%)		
Myeloablative	26 (23.9)	NA
Non-myeloablative (NST)	18 (16.5)	NA
Reduced intensity (RIC)	50 (45.9)	NA

Characteristic	HCT	CAR-T
Was irradiation performed as part of the pre-HCT preparative regimen?		
- no. (%)		
No	67 (61.5)	NA
Yes	42 (38.5)	NA
Given radiation field (2000) - no. (%)		
TBI	42 (38.5)	NA
Not reported	67 (61.5)	NA
GVHD prophylaxis - no. (%)		
None	16 (14.7)	NA
CD34 selection	1 (0.9)	NA
PtCy	54 (49.5)	NA
TAC based	33 (30.3)	NA
CSA based	4 (3.7)	NA
Other	1 (0.9)	NA
ATG/Campath - no. (%)		
ATG alone	18 (16.5)	NA
CAMPATH alone	5 (4.6)	NA
No ATG or CAMPATH	86 (78.9)	NA
Recipient CMV-antibodies (IgG or Total) - no. (%)		
Negative	23 (21.1)	NA
Positive	84 (77.1)	NA
Not reported	2 (1.8)	NA
Donor CMV-antibodies (IgG or Total) - no. (%)		
Negative	47 (43.1)	NA
Positive	47 (43.1)	NA
Year of current transplant - no. (%)		
2022	86 (78.9)	NA
2023	23 (21.1)	NA
CAR-T related		
CRS (during follow-up for this CT) - no. (%)		
No	NA	14 (13.2)
Yes	NA	92 (86.8)
Neurotoxicity (during follow-up for this CT) - no. (%)		
No	NA	60 (56.6)
Yes	NA	46 (43.4)
Corticosteroid use - no. (%)		
No	NA	46 (43.4)
Yes	NA	43 (40.6)
Not reported	NA	17 (16.0)
Year of CT - no. (%)	NA	

Characteristic	HCT	CAR-T
2022	NA	73 (68.9)
2023	NA	33 (31.1)

**RVIs: Adenovirus, Coronavirus, Enterovirus (coxsackie, echo, polio), Enterovirus (ECHO, Coxsackie), Enterovirus (polio), Enterovirus D68 (EV-D68), Enterovirus NOS, Human metapneumovirus, Human Parainfluenza Virus (all species), Influenza A Virus, Influenza B Virus, Influenza, NOS, Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), Rhinovirus (all species), SARs-CoV-2, Rhino/Entero*