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### About Jason Bock:

- Jason brings **20+ years** of previous biologics development and commercialization experience gained from MD Anderson Cancer Center, Teva Pharmaceuticals, CoGenesys, and Human Genome Sciences.

### About CTMC+:

- Connects cell therapy development and industrial manufacturing with MD Anderson's clinical trial capabilities
- Leverages proprietary TIL and CAR-T platforms to improve productivity and quality while reducing costs.
- Cleared six INDs, without delay, for its academic and industry partners.

A microscopic view of cells, showing a large, textured, blue cell in the foreground and several smaller, smoother, blue cells in the background.

**CTMC**

Cell Therapy  
Manufacturing Center

A joint venture between Resilience + MD Anderson Cancer Center

# What Got Us Here, Won't Get Us There

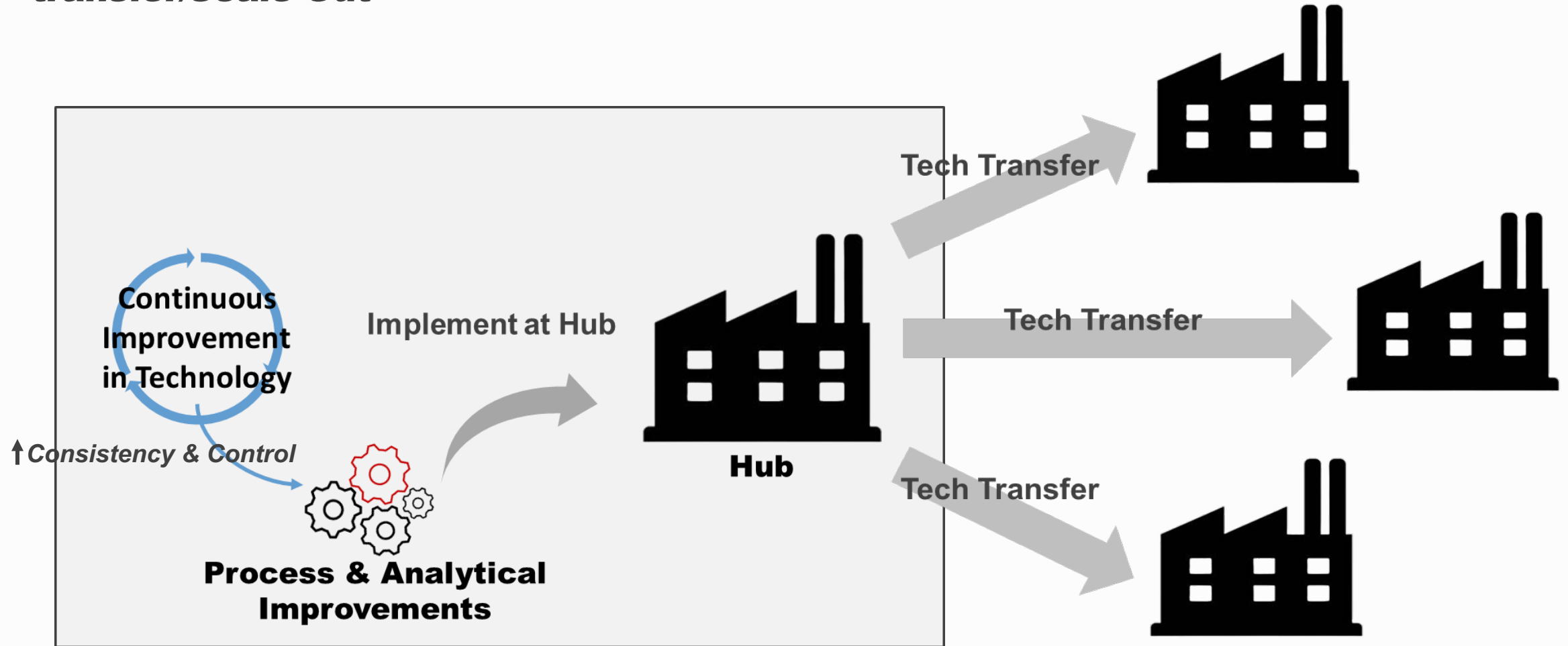
## *Maturing of the Cell Therapy Field*

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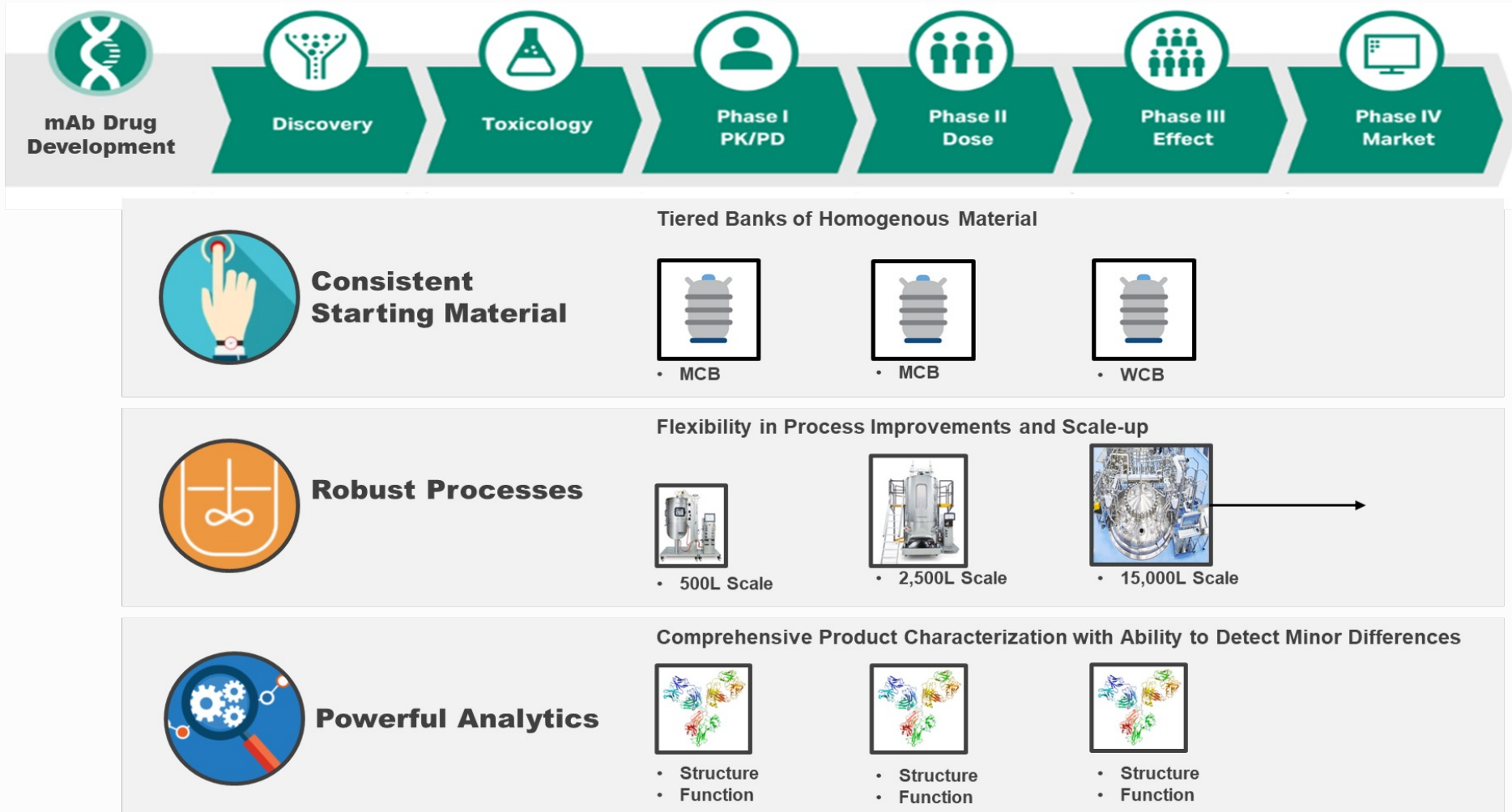
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# Key to Maturing the Cell Therapy Field & Improving Access

***Process Control and Understanding → Process Improvements + transfer/Scale Out***



# Process & Product Understanding and Control



← **Comparable** →

# Variability in Cell Therapy Makes Comparability Challenging

## Where We Are...

### Donor-to-Donor Variability



**Variable  
Starting Material**



### Manual Processing



**Variable Processes**

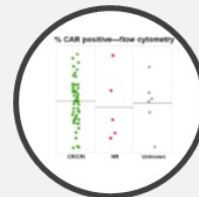


**Poorly  
Defined  
CPPs**

### Complex Handling with Inability to Detect Minor Differences



**Variable Analytics**



**Poorly  
Defined  
CQAs**

**Lack of Process  
& Product  
Understanding**

# Strategic Approaches and Technological Innovations Facilitate Comparability

## What Will Get Us There...



**Variable Starting Material**

Donor-to-Donor Variability



Split Starting Material



**Variable Processes**

Manual Processing



Automation  
Innovative Manufacturing Methods



**Variable Analytics**

Complex Handling with Inability to Detect Minor Differences



Side-by-Side Testing  
Advanced analytics



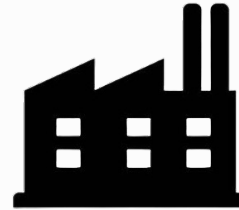
Alignment on comparability strategy with 

# CTMC Well Positioned to Advance Manufacture of Cell Therapies



## Innovative Partnership Model

- **Speed to Clinical PoC:** Fostering partnerships with biotech companies and academic institutions to accelerate transition from lab to clinic
- **Eye Towards Commercialization:** Positions partners for flexible transition to commercialization
- **Extended Capabilities:** Integration of R&D, industrial manufacturing, regulatory strategy, clinical trial support tailored to unique needs of each partner



CTMC+

## State-of-the-Art Facility

- **Scalable Production of Cell Therapies:** 60,000 sq ft manufacturing space
- **Assurance of Product Safety & Efficacy:** 14 GMP-compliant clean rooms complemented by QC laboratories
- **Viral Vector Supply:** 3,500 sq ft for manufacture of viral vectors



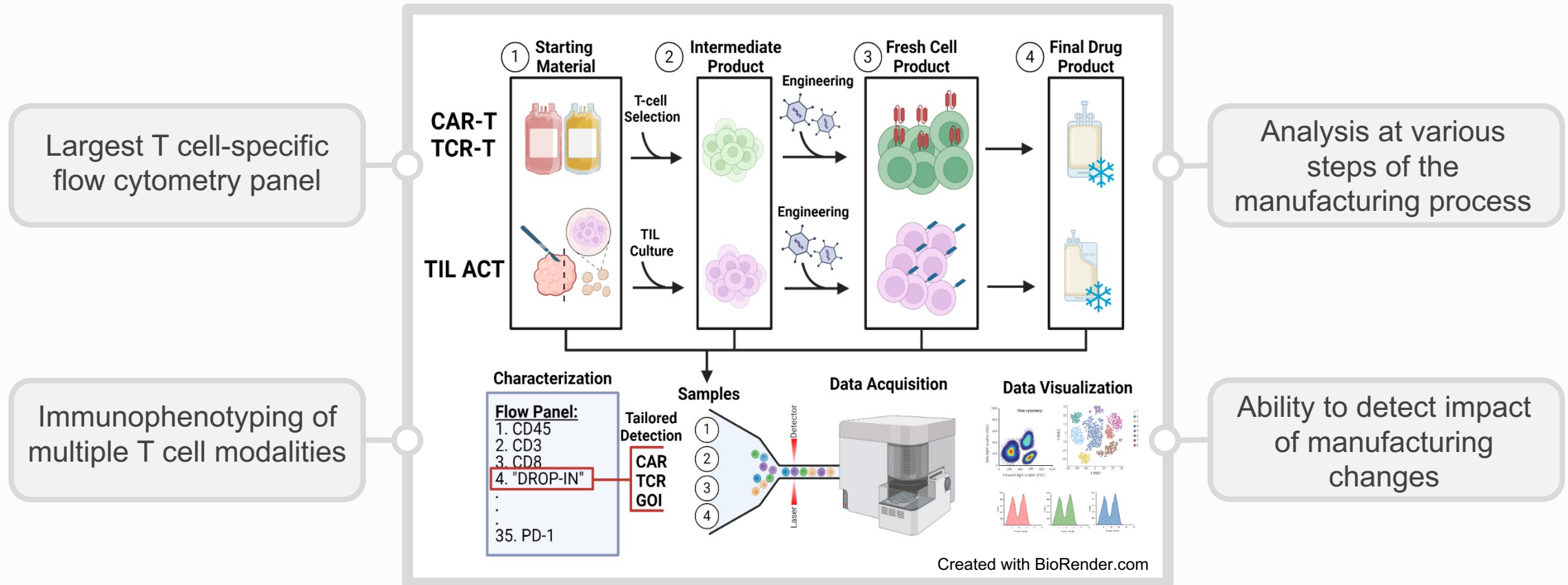
## Strategic Integration of FDA Interactions

- **Pre-IND:** Laying the groundwork with an initial FDA interaction
- **IND:** Adapting the regulatory strategy based on feedback from FDA
- **Post-IND:** Managing ongoing dialogue with FDA during conduct of the clinical study (e.g., requests for designation, manufacturing improvements, FDA meetings)



# Advanced Analytics Being Evaluated at CTMC

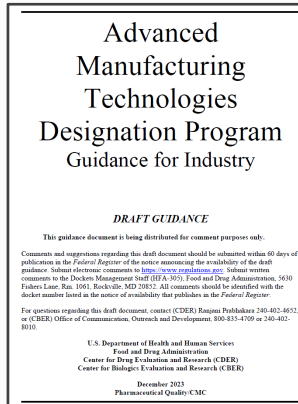
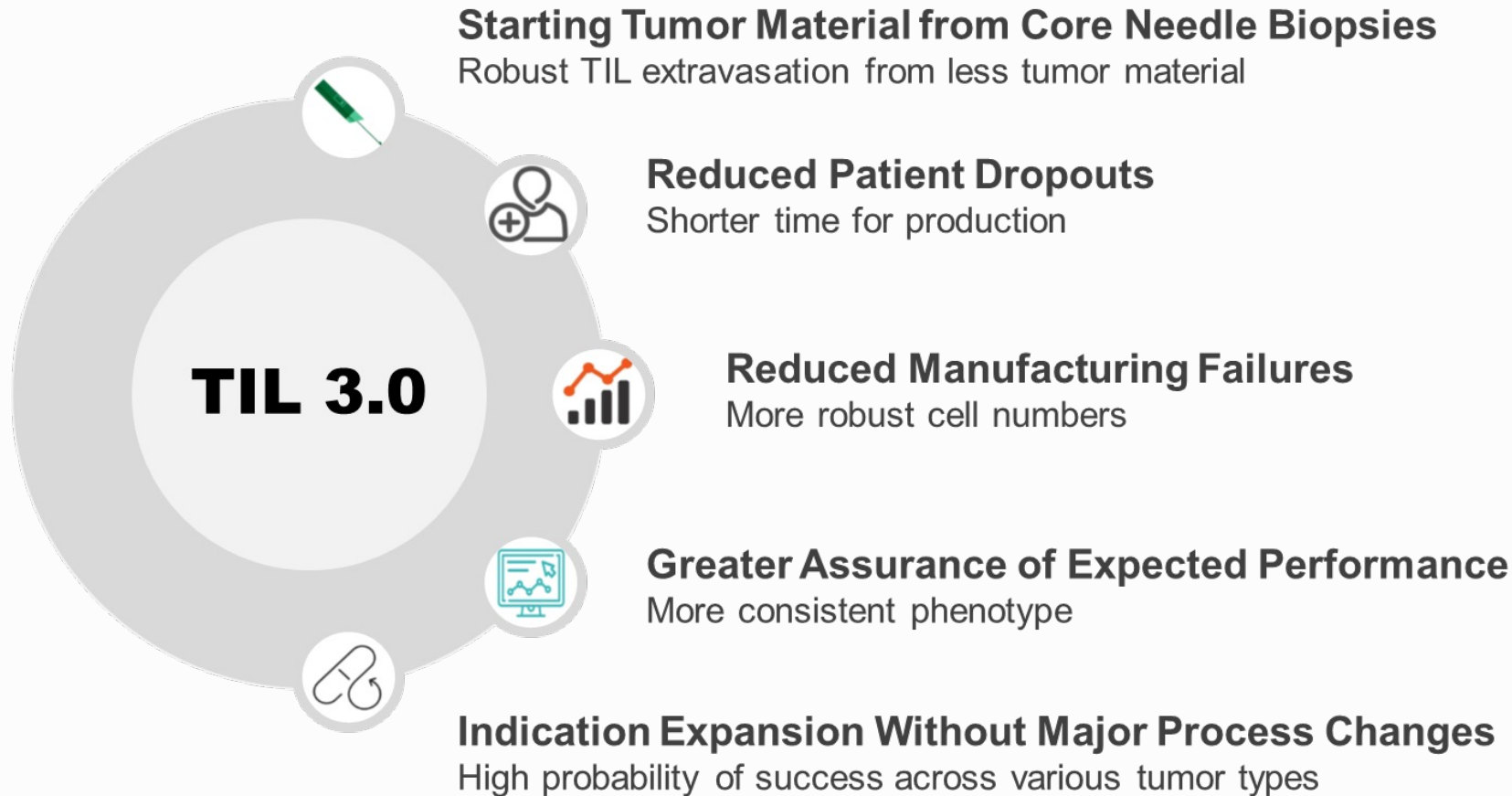
## 35-color Flow Cytometry Panel





# CTMC/MDACC's Advanced TIL Manufacturing Platform

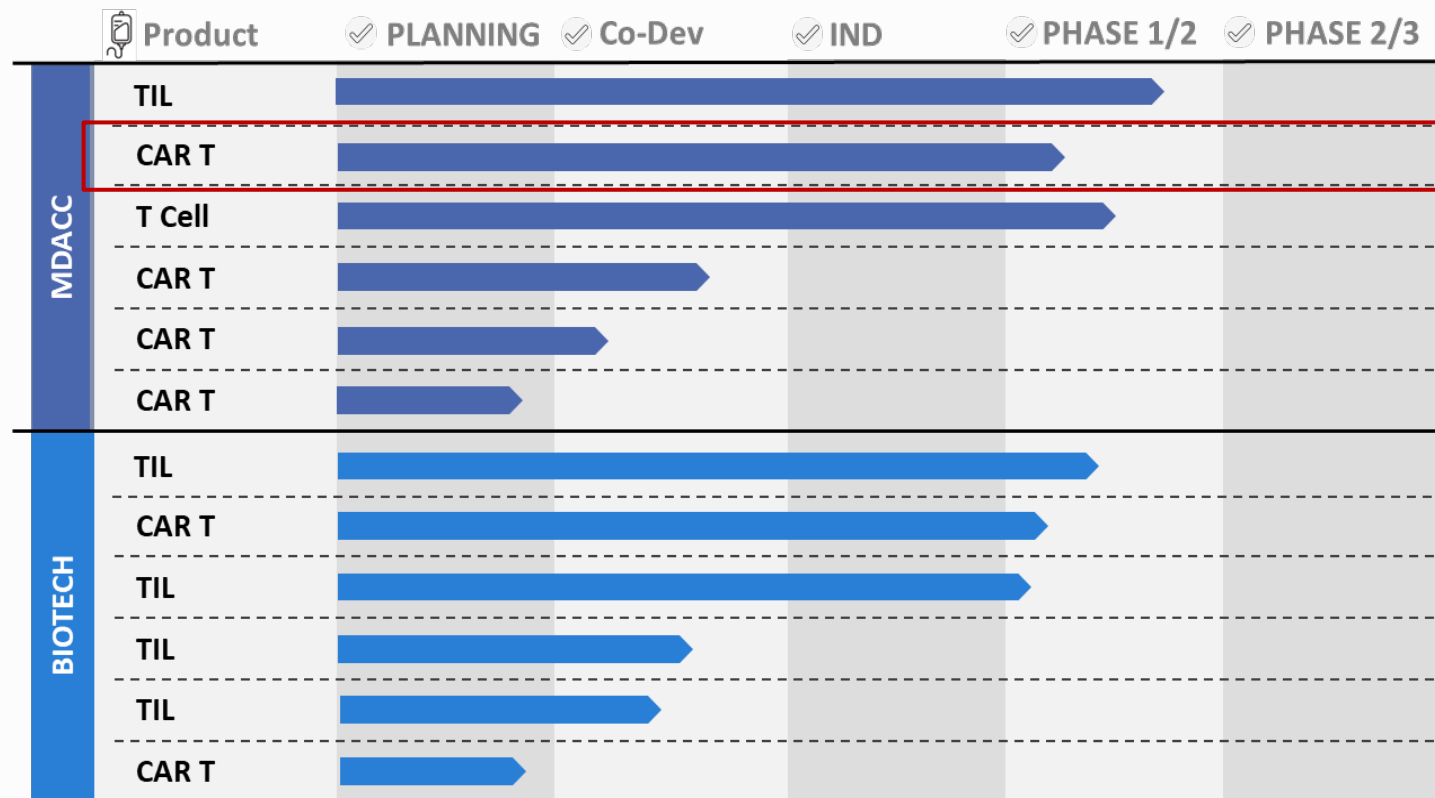
## Robust extraction and expansion of infiltrated TIL from starting tumor material



**Request for AMT  
Designation**

# Case Study: Advancing Manufacture of a Clinical CAR T Product

# CTMC Product Portfolio

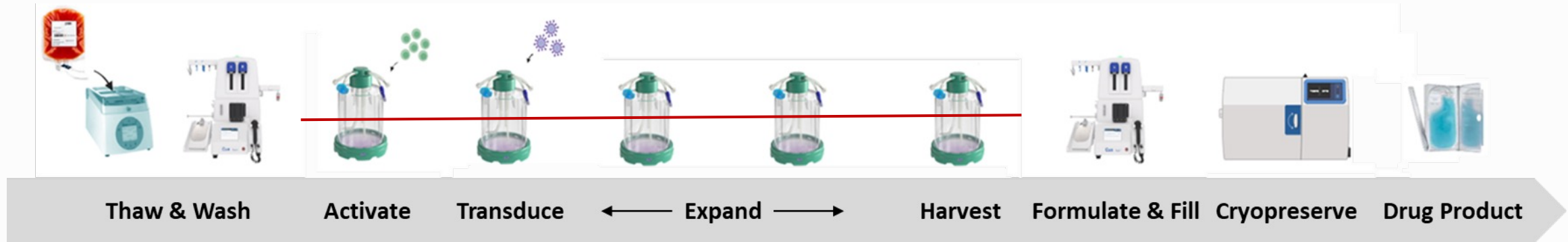


## ➡ Autologous CAR T Product at MDACC

- ***MDACC-invented CAR T product with promising target***
- ***Co-developed & industrialized at CTMC***
- ***Clinical proof of concept in patients with R/R BCLs at MDACC***
- ***Continued process development at CTMC***

# Implementing Automation via the Ori to Improve Consistency & Control

## G-Rex Process



**Manual Processing**



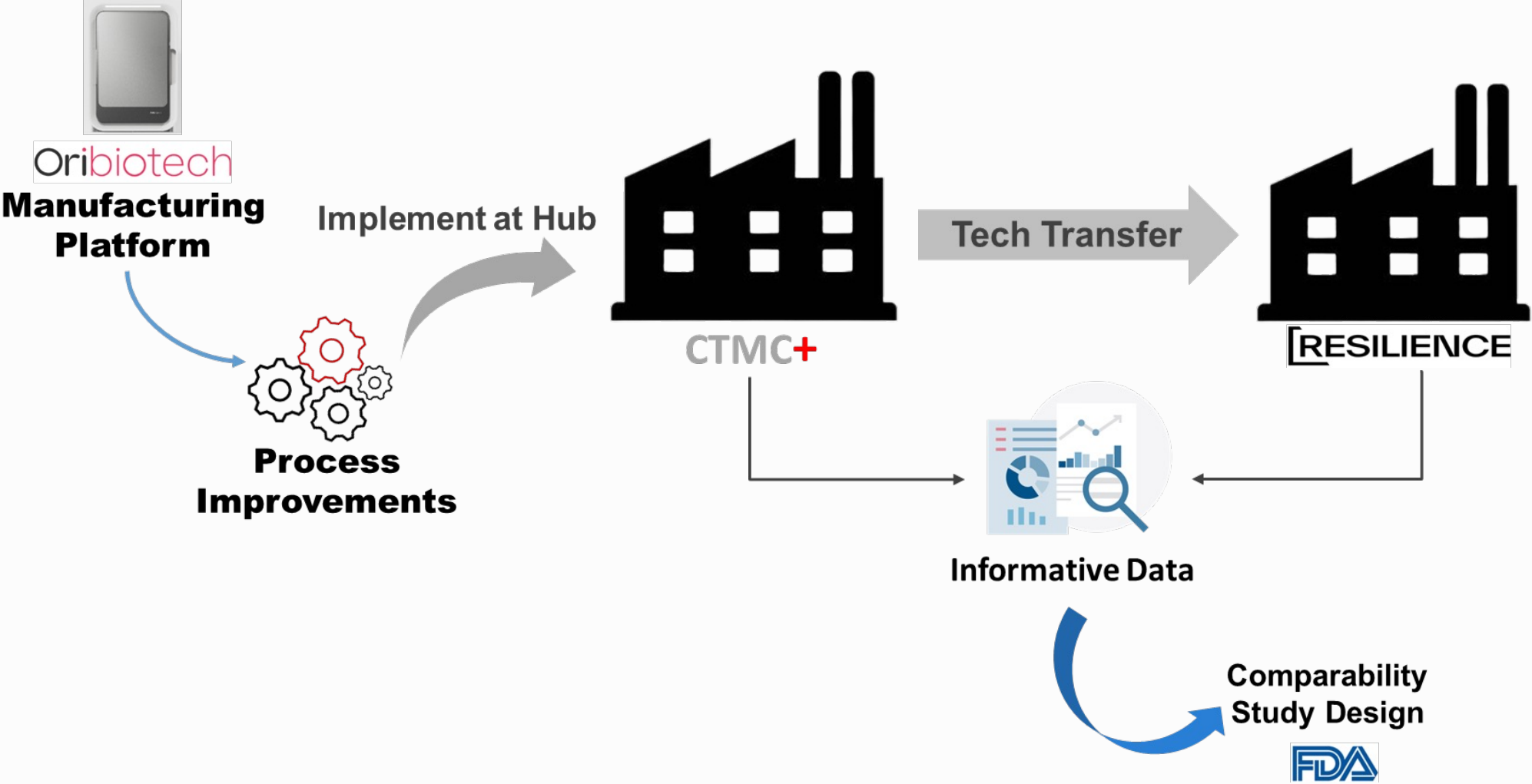
**Automated Processing**



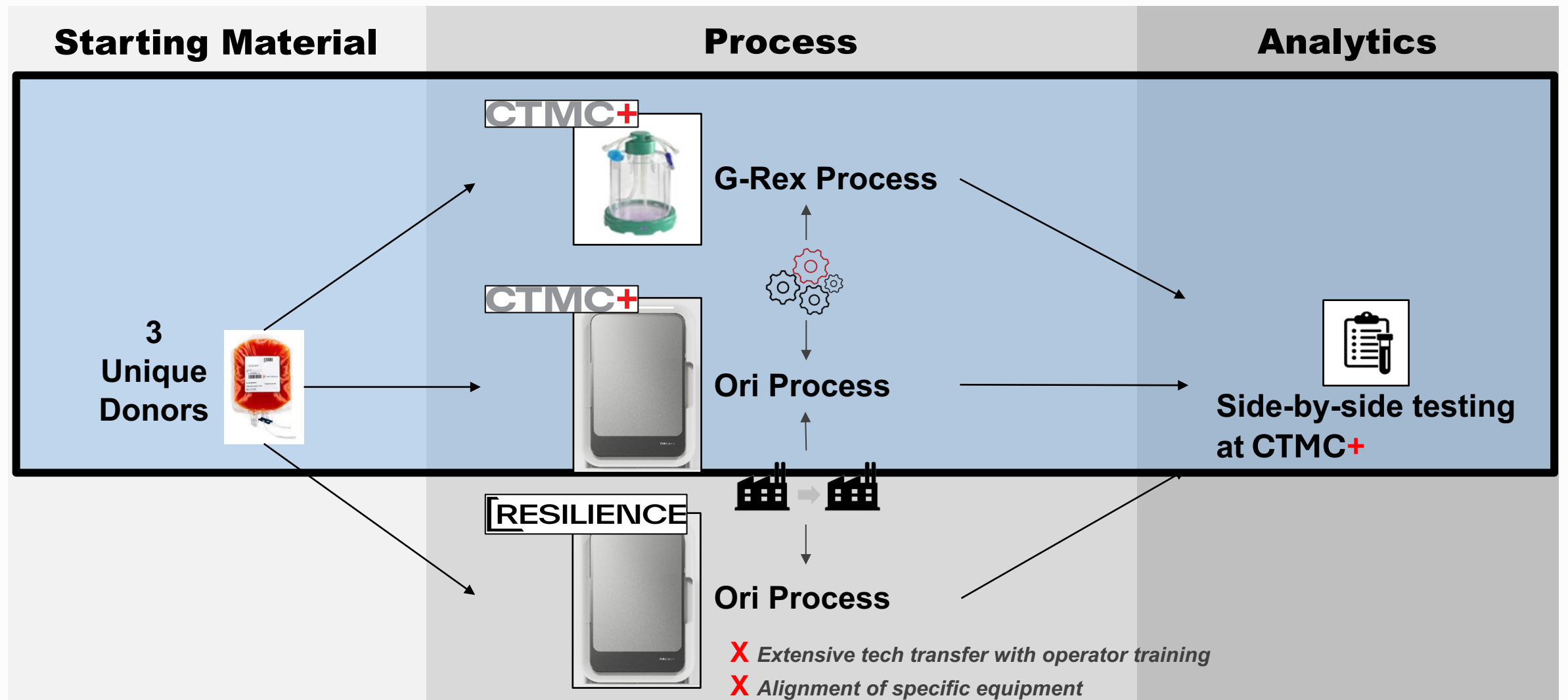
**Ori Process**

↑ *Consistency & Control*

# Feasibility Study to Inform on Potential Comparability Strategy



# Study Design Enabling Speedy Generation of Tangible Data



# CAR-T Process Transfer Runs

## Tech transfer from optimized GRex process onto the Ori Platform

The first step in this partnership was to evaluate the suitability of the Ori platform to run CTMC's existing optimized CAR-T process. These runs were done by CTMC staff, in their labs with their process / reagents on Ori equipment.

### Process Overview:

- Cryopreserved positively isolated CD4/CD8+ T-cells from healthy donors
- Starting Viable Cells: 200M in 75mL
- Activation on D0: GMP TransAct
- Transduction on D1: CAR-LV

### Objectives:

- Train process development personnel on independent use of the Ori platform
- Demonstrate that the CAR-T transduction and expansion process developed by Ori can be executed successfully at CTMC
- Optimize process parameters as needed to improve yield of CAR+ T cells

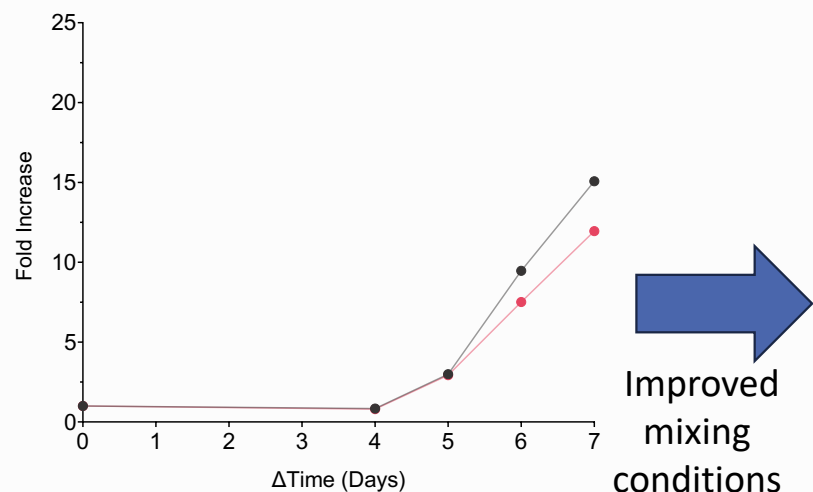
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High Viability	Greater than 70%
Vector Copy Number (VCN)	Less than 5

# CAR-T Process Establishment in Ori

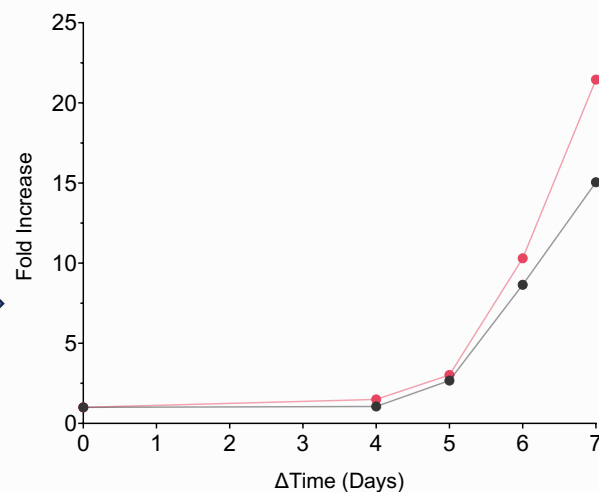
## Key Takeaways

- Process establishment time onto the Ori platform was **< 5 weeks** from kick off
- **Run 1** had a lower total cell yield in the Ori system than the GRex control
- The protocol was adjusted for a repeat run with the same donor in **Run 2**. Changes were made to mixing speed and base height during the compression phase of culture to improve cell resuspension. The outcome was a **significant increase in fold expansion** in the Ori system
- **Run 3** used the updated protocol with a second donor and saw a **similar improvement with a slower growing donor**

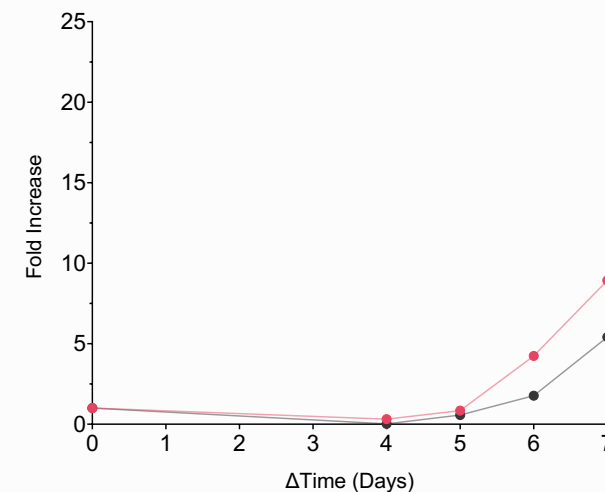
Run 1: Donor A, Protocol A



Run 2: Donor A, Protocol B



Run 3: Donor B, Protocol B

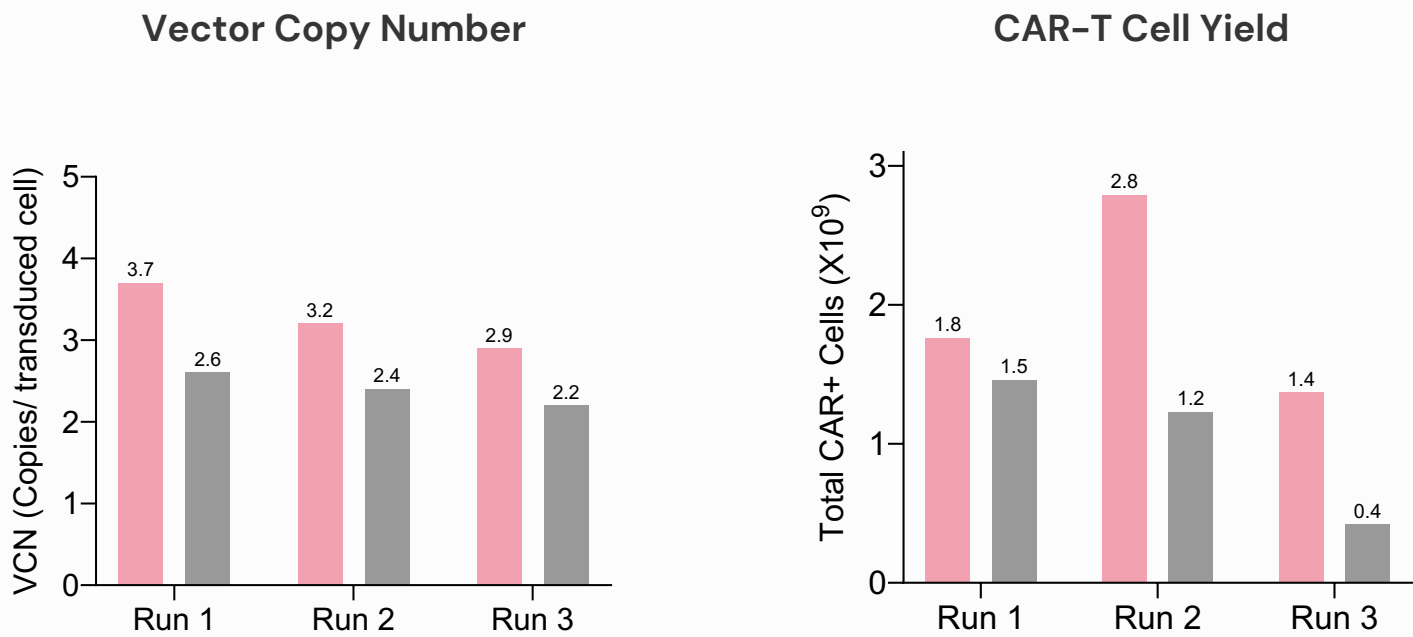




# CAR-T Process Transfer

## Key Takeaways

- Ori delivered a **21%, 127%, and 226% increase in CAR+ yield** vs GRex control
- Transduction efficiency averaged at **~69%** in Ori vs **~45%** in the control, with VCN remaining below the FDA recommended **< 5 per transduced cell**

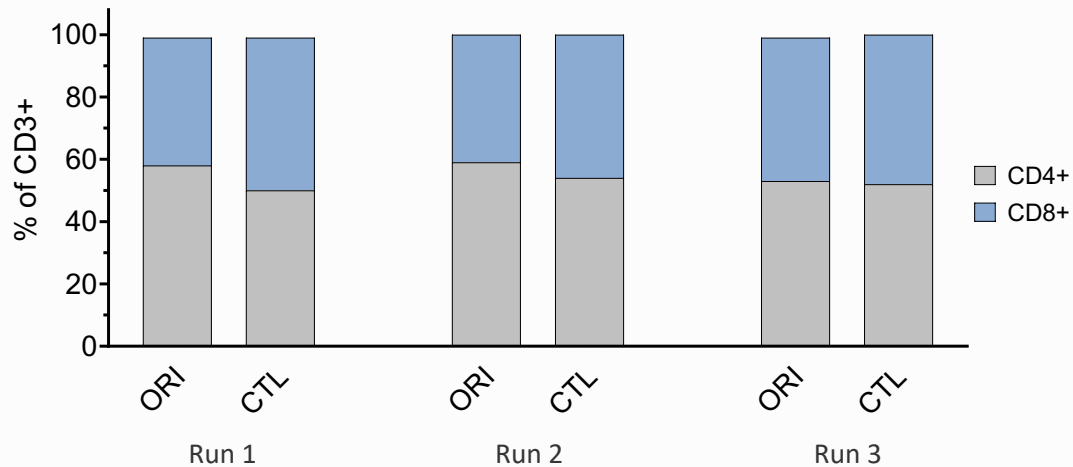


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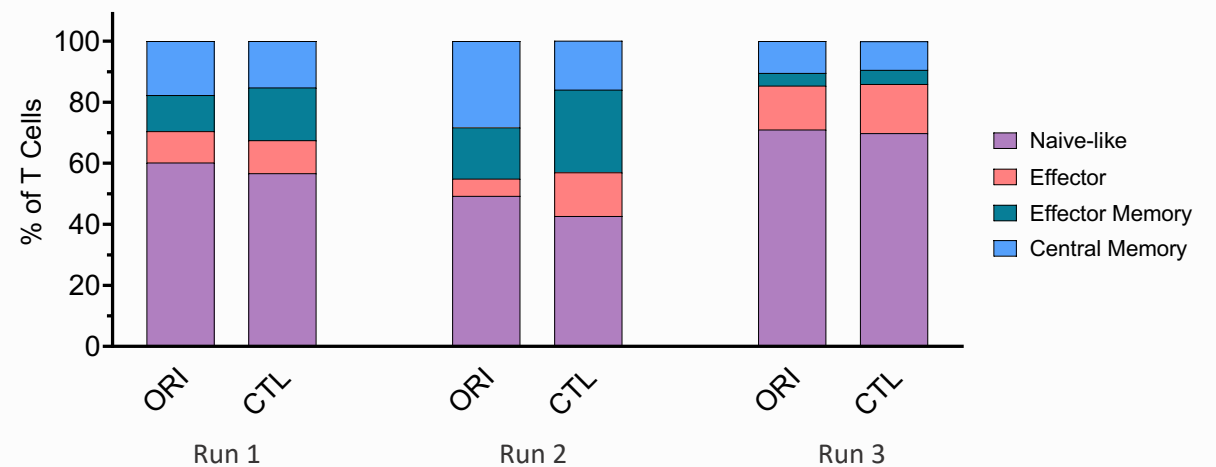
## Key Takeaways

- **No trends** were observed in CD4/CD8 composition between each run
- **No trends** were observed in memory phenotype between each run

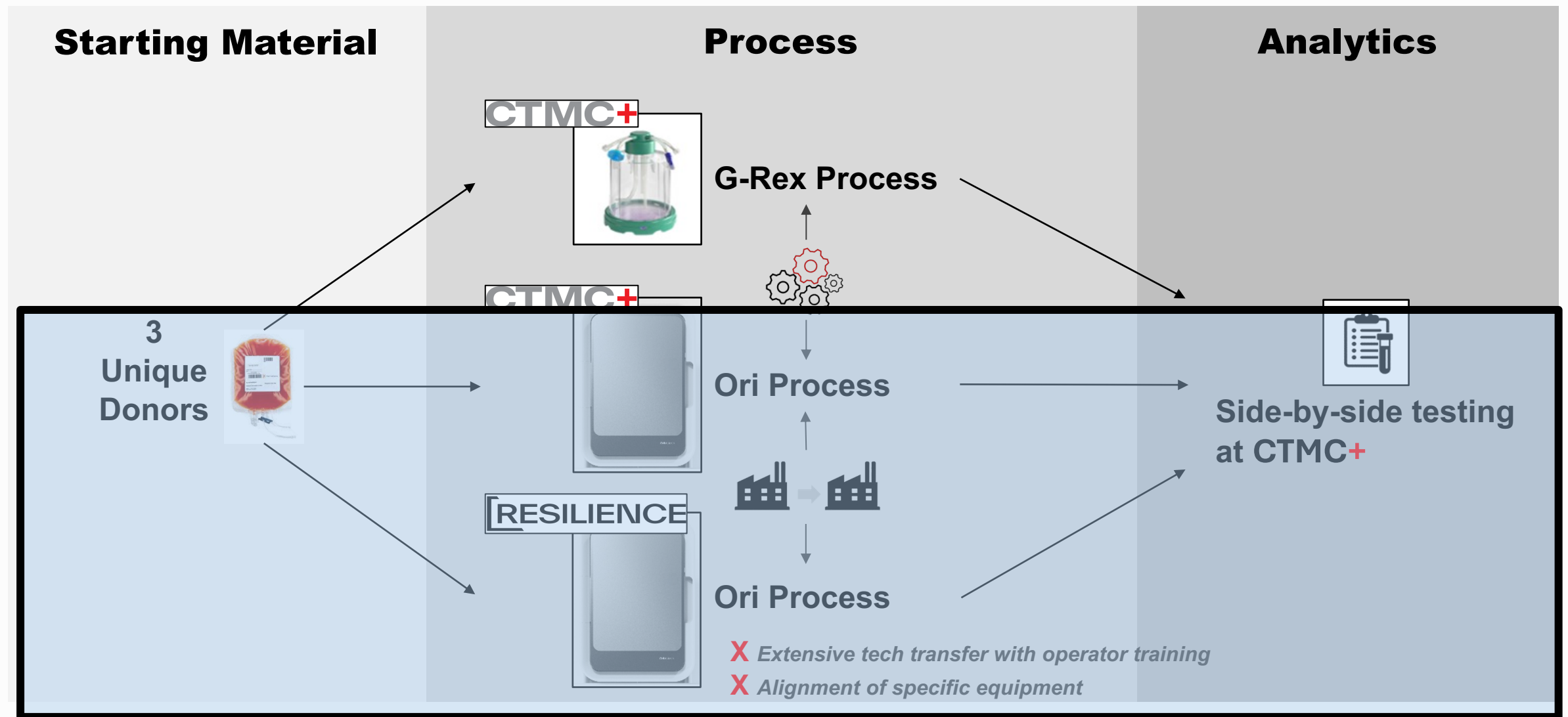
CD4/CD8 Ratio



Memory Phenotype



# Study Design Enabling Speedy Generation of Tangible Data



# Multisite Process Runs

- Parallel runs to demonstrate clinical process comparability and multi-site manufacturing

CTMC's optimized clinical process was then ran head-to-head with the Ori system and then tech transferred from Houston to Philadelphia to demonstrate a PoC for multi-site manufacturing

## Process Overview:

- Cryopreserved negatively isolated CD4/CD8+ T-cells from healthy donors
- Starting Viable Cells: 200M in 75mL
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## Objectives:

- To generate data for FDA feedback on implementation of the Ori system in clinical manufacturing of a CAR-T product and to evaluate the potential impact of adapting the process to change the culture platform.
- To evaluate the ease of tech transfer and potential impact of manufacturing the product at National Resilience's manufacturing facility.

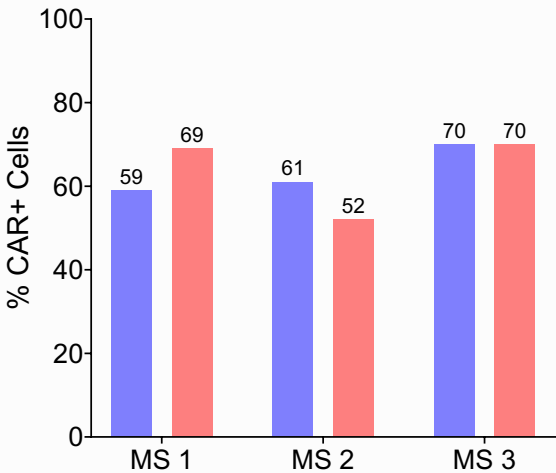
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Phenotype + IFN- $\gamma$ Secretion	Comparable to current process

# Multisite Manufacturing

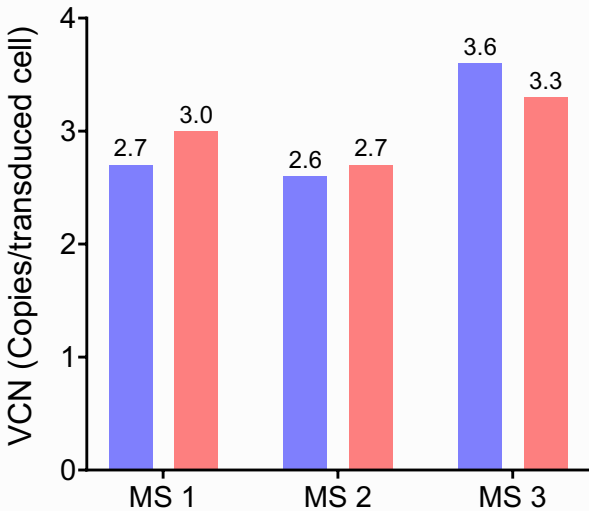
## Key Takeaways

- The Ori platform **met all target release criteria by Day 6** across two independent sites with a **protocol establishment time of <2 weeks**
- Post-thaw product **viability was ≥80%** across both sites
- Transduction efficiency averaged well **above target at ~64%**
- VCN **remained below FDA recommended <5** per transduced cell

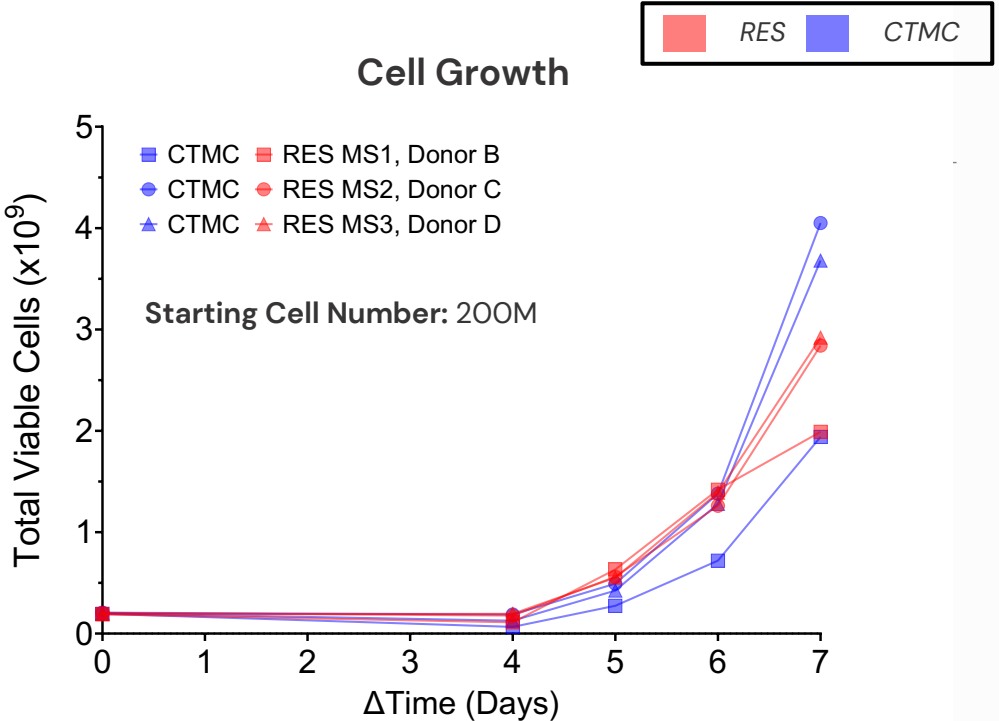
Transduction Efficiency



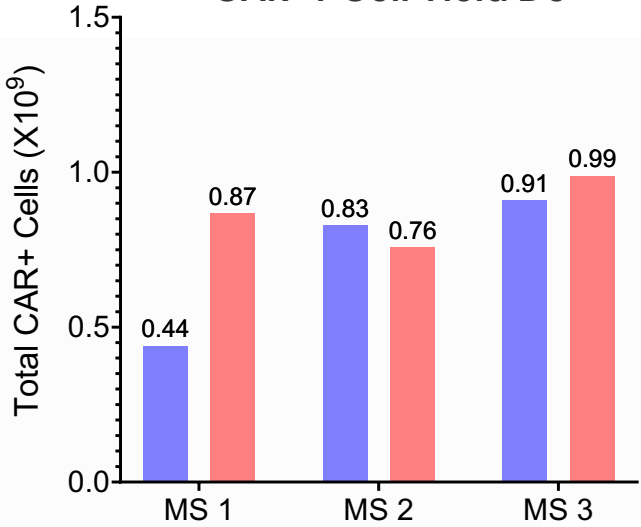
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Cell Growth



CAR-T Cell Yield D6

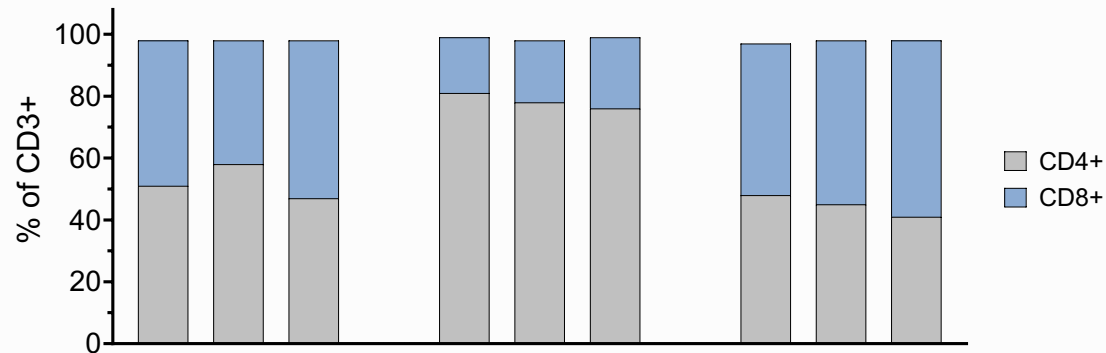


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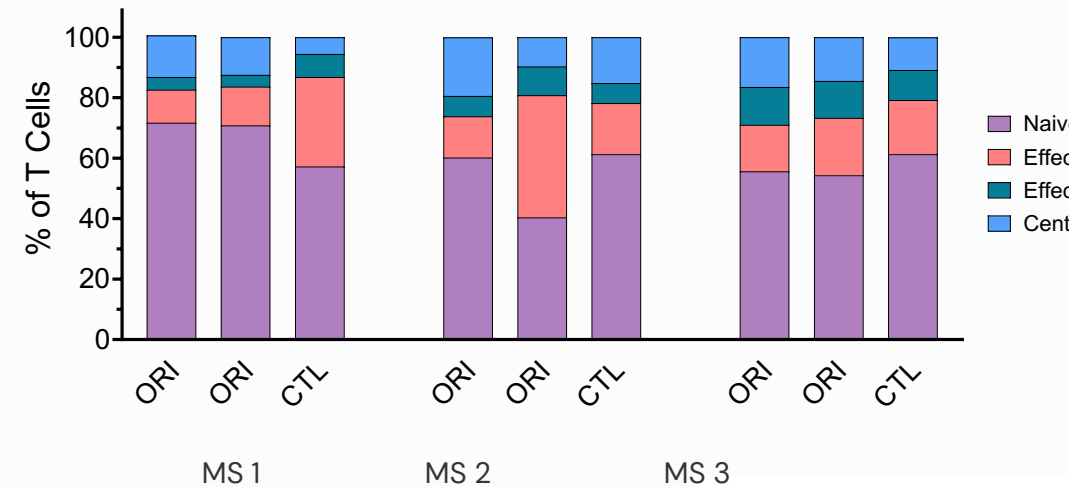
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CD4/CD8 Ratio



Memory Phenotype



# Ori Run Summary

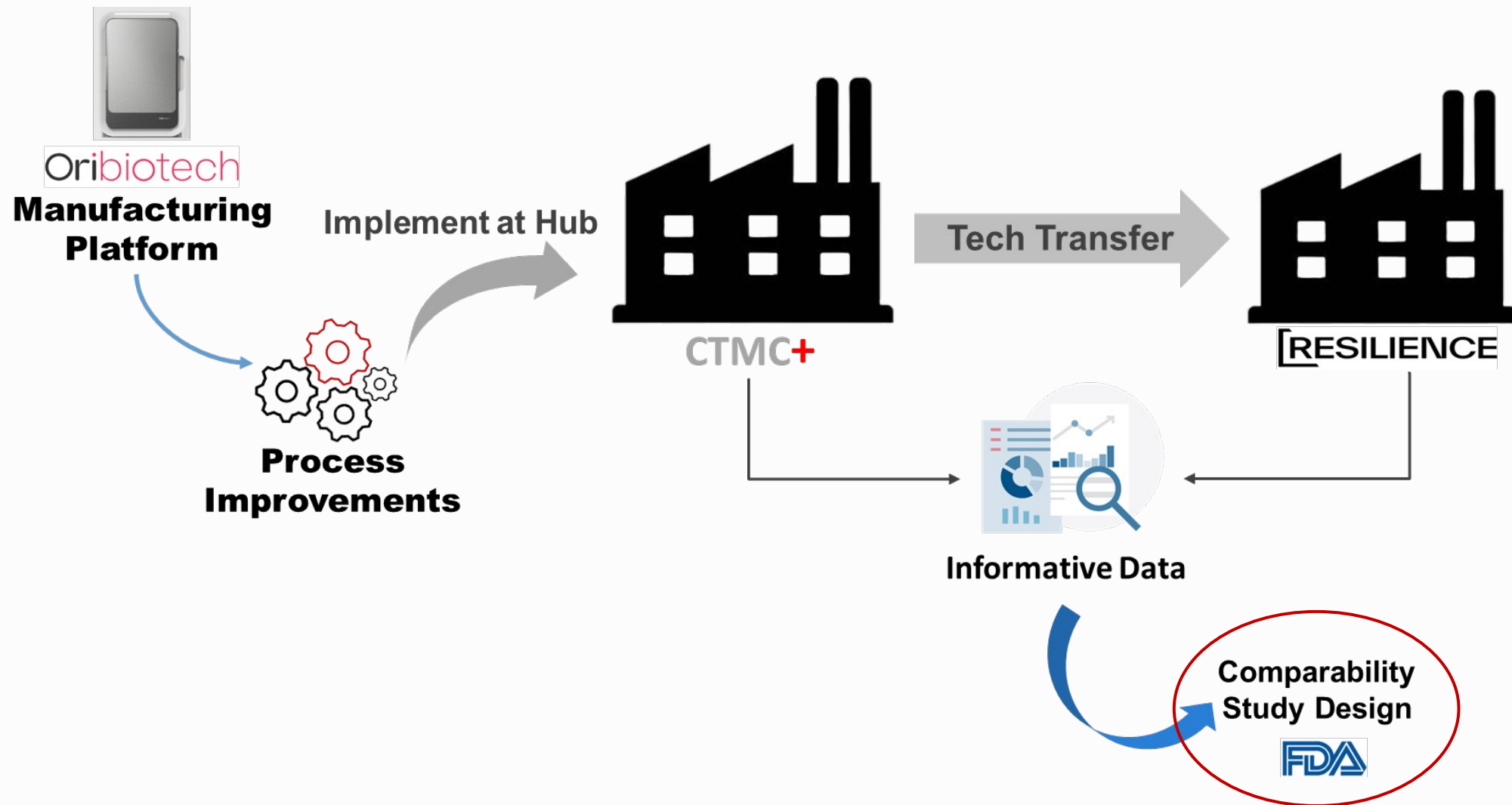
Ori platform demonstrated capability to execute rapid tech transfer and multi-site manufacturing

- Demonstrated fast process establishment times (~2 weeks to transfer from Houston to Philadelphia)
- Faster cell growth and higher transduced cell yields than current clinical process
- Run-to-run consistency in Ori across sites

Qualitative Goal	CQAs	Outcome
High Total CAR+ Yield	Greater than 700M CAR+ cells	Exceeded
High Viability	Greater than 70%	Exceeded
Vector Copy Number (VCN)	Less than 5	Exceeded
High % CAR+ Transduction	Greater than 20%	Exceeded
Phenotype + IFN- $\gamma$ Secretion	Comparable to current process	Exceeded



# Type D Meeting with FDA on Comparability Study Designs



# Isolate the Impact of the Changes on Product Quality

## Minimize Sources of Variability Not Related to the Changes



### Variability in Starting Material

Use of split starting material.



### Differences in Testing

Consider testing sites, analytical procedures, qualification status, operators, etc.



### Differences in Processing

Consider scale, unit operations, raw materials, equipment, operators, etc.



### Variability in Acceptance Margins

Consider variability in historical data.



### Confirm Reduced Variability from Automation

Accumulate reproducible and consistent data to reduce risk of tech transfer.

# Prioritize the Big Picture, Aim for Overall Comparability

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## Attributes “Failing” Comparability Acceptance Criteria ≠ Not Comparable



### **Make Improvements**

Optimization is encouraged when making major changes.



### **Risk Assess and Justify**

Provide risk assessments and justifications for attributes that fail to meet calculated acceptable limits you feel should not impact the overall conclusion of comparability.

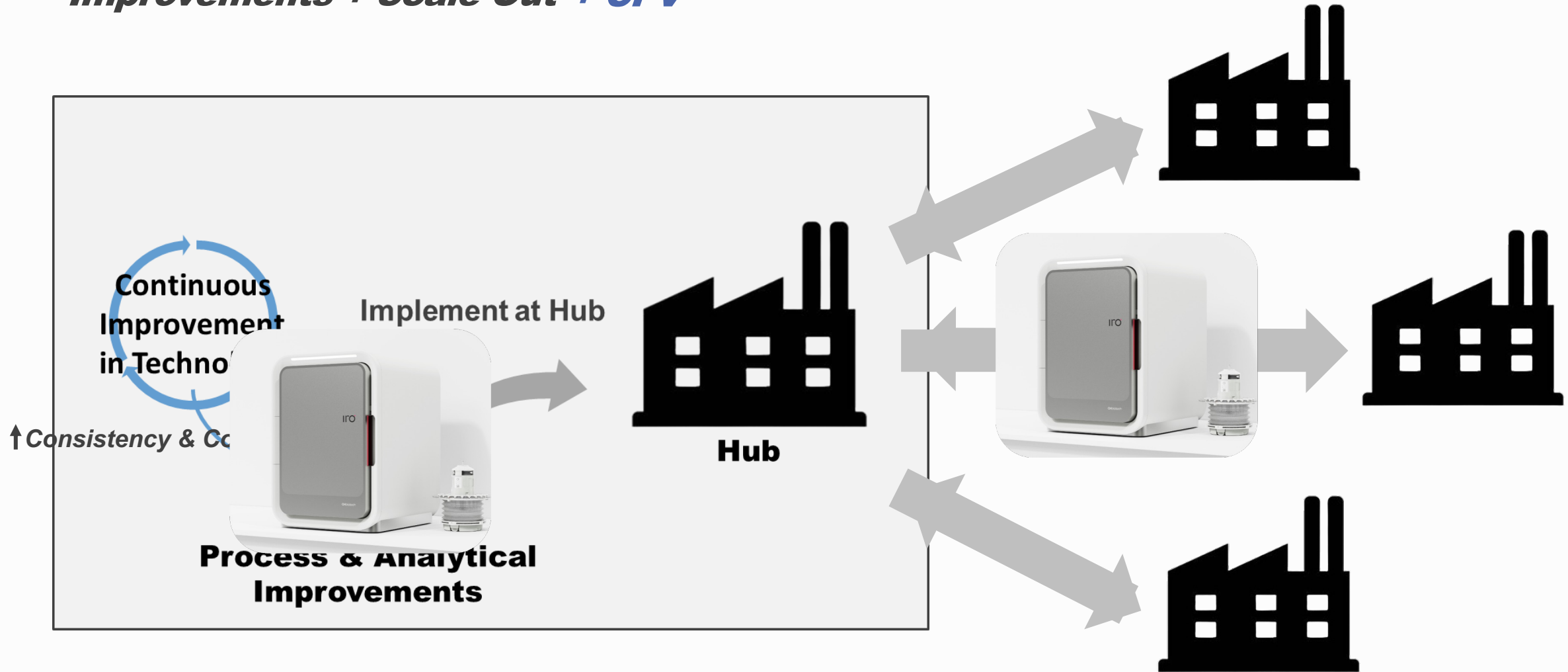


### **Pool Clinical Data**

Clinical data from patients treated with product manufactured pre- and post-change may be pooled if an overall conclusion of comparability is reached.

# Key to Maturing the Cell Therapy Field & Improving Access

**Improvements + Scale-Out + CPV**





# Thank you.

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# The Ori has the Potential to Impact the Cell Therapy Field

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