## Cas-CLOVER<sup>™</sup> Gene Editing for Allogeneic CAR-T Production

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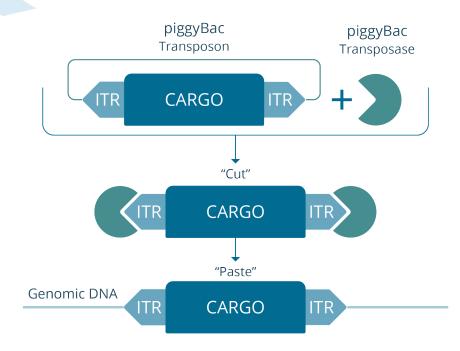


### We believe in the future of allogeneic CAR-T therapy

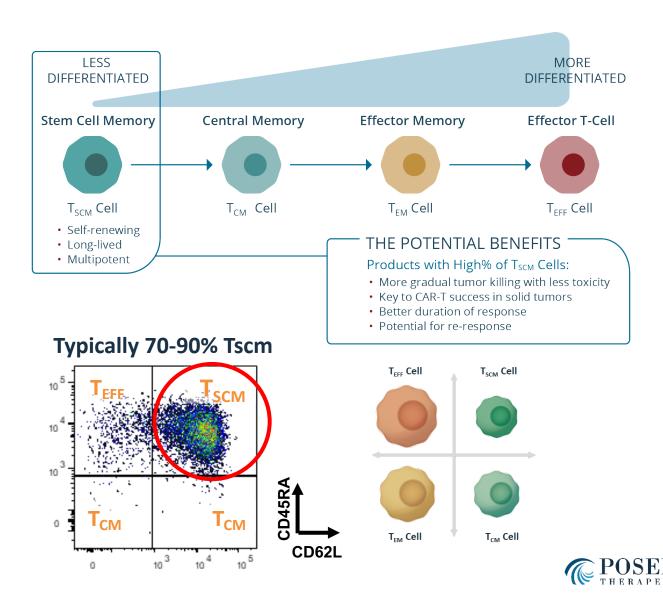




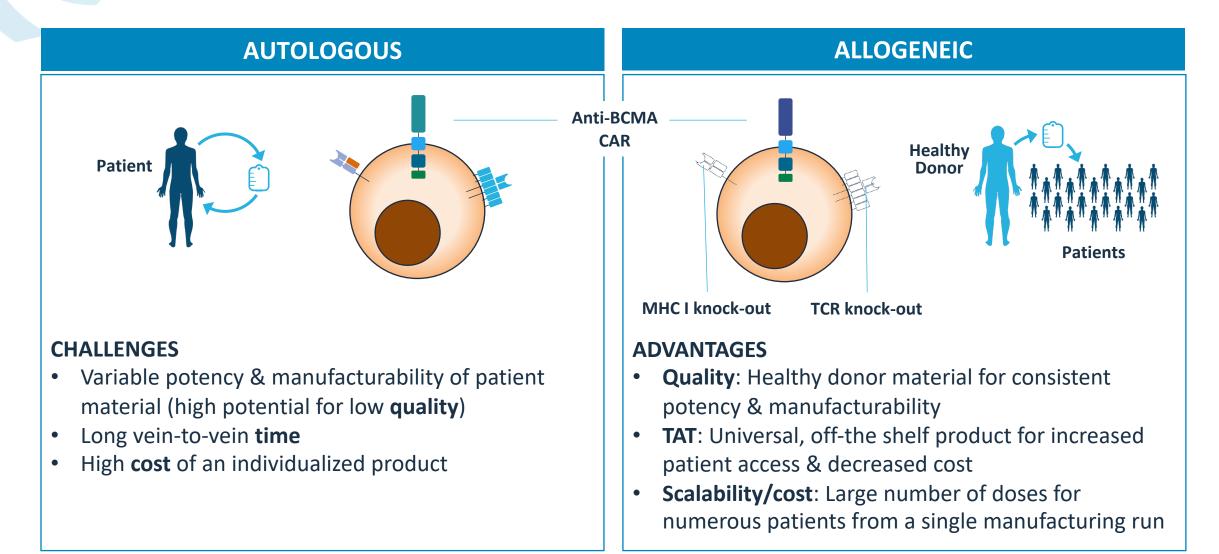
### Our unique platform generates a unique CAR-T product



- High **efficiency** cargo delivery into genome
- Long-lived stem cell composition of CAR-T

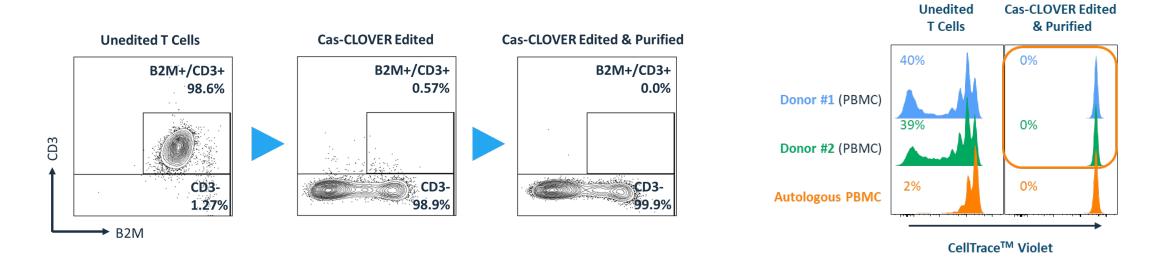


### Why pursue CAR-T treatments via an allogeneic approach?





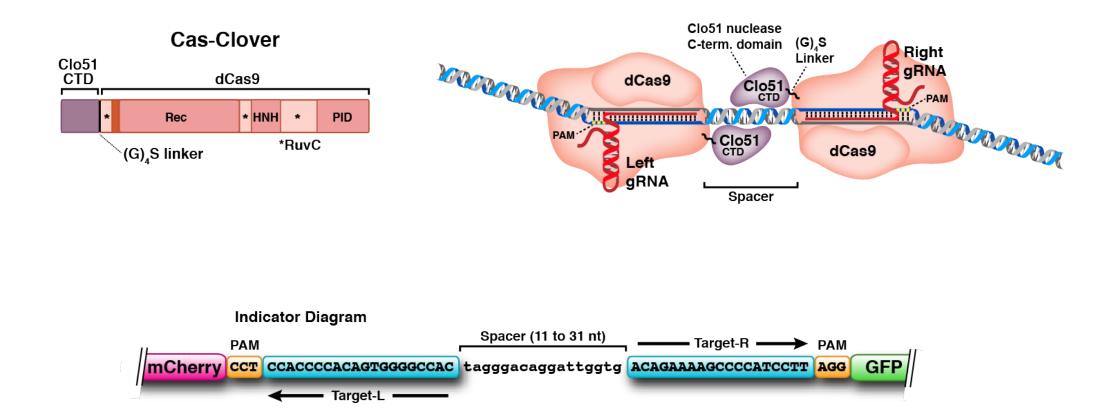
### Cas-CLOVER<sup>™</sup> Efficiently Knocks-out TCR in T Cells *Ex Vivo*



- For off-the-shelf allogeneic CAR-T products, efficient TCR KO is critical to prevent graft versus host disease (GvHD)
- Cas-CLOVER<sup>™</sup> allows for **highly efficient TCR KO** across wide range of healthy donors with editing rates of up to 99%
- Residual TCR+ cells are removed resulting in a highly pure TCR-negative CAR-T product with up to 99.9% TCR KO
- Cas-CLOVER<sup>™</sup> edited & purified cells do not exhibit alloreactivity/GvHD when mixed with donor-mismatched PBMCs



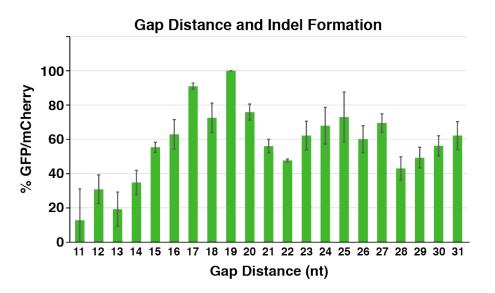
### Composition: Clo51-dCas9 = Cas-CLOVER<sup>™</sup> Nuclease

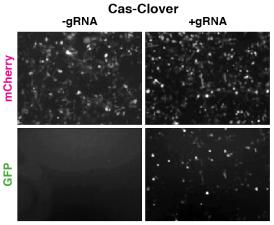




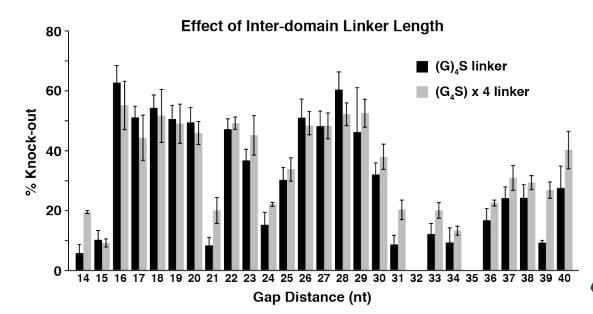
### Spacing Requirements of Cas-CLOVER<sup>™</sup>

Optimal gap of 16-20 nt





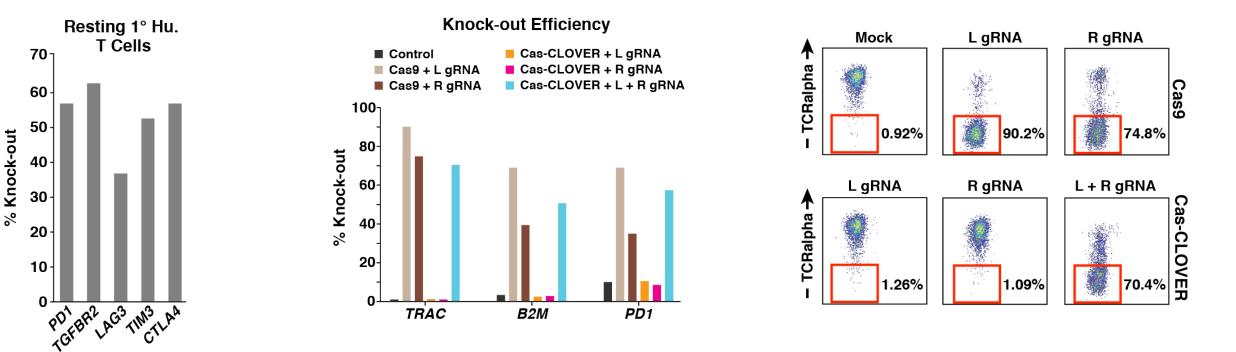
Extended flexible linker is largely unnecessary.







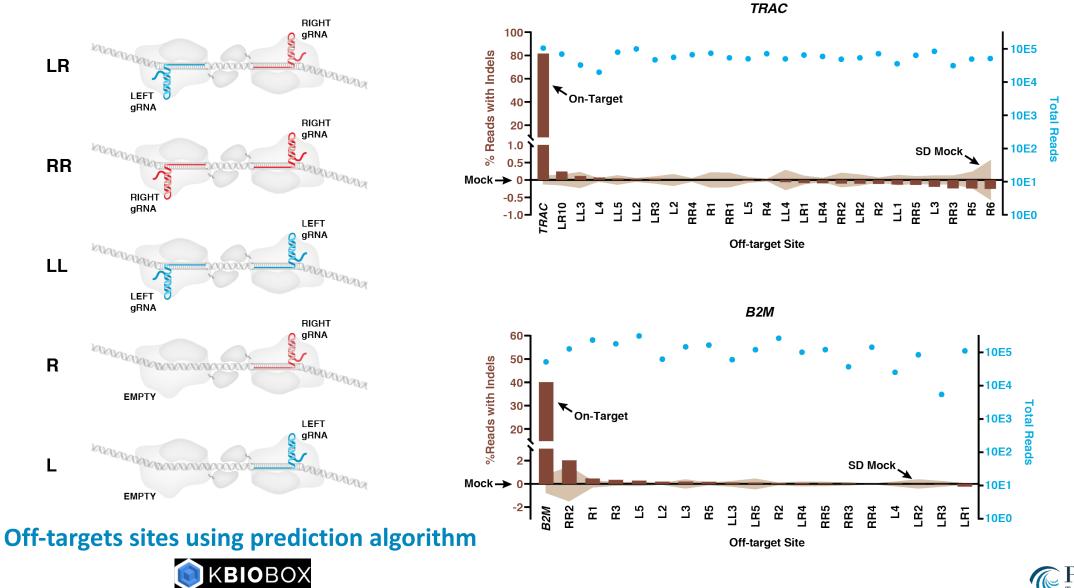
#### **Primary Resting Human T Cells**



- **Highly efficient**, with rates comparable to WT SpCas9
- **Consistent** knock-out efficiency at **multiple** loci, with stringent parameters

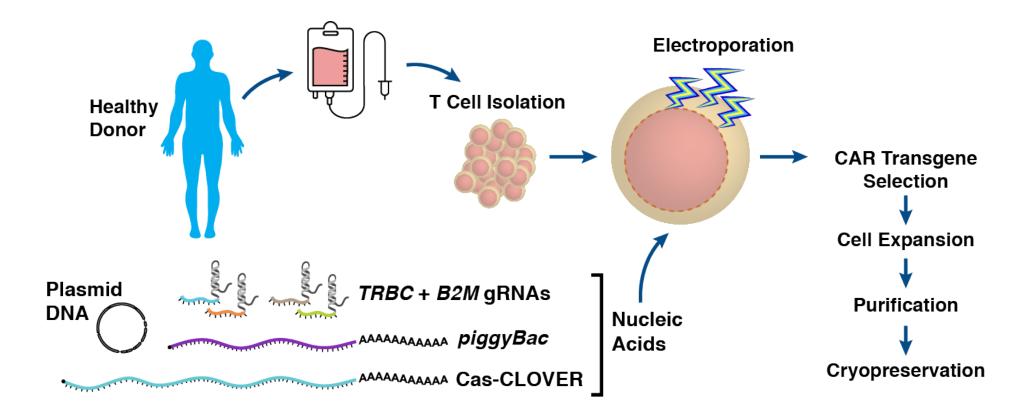


### Cas-CLOVER<sup>™</sup> Yields High Fidelity Targeted Knock-Outs



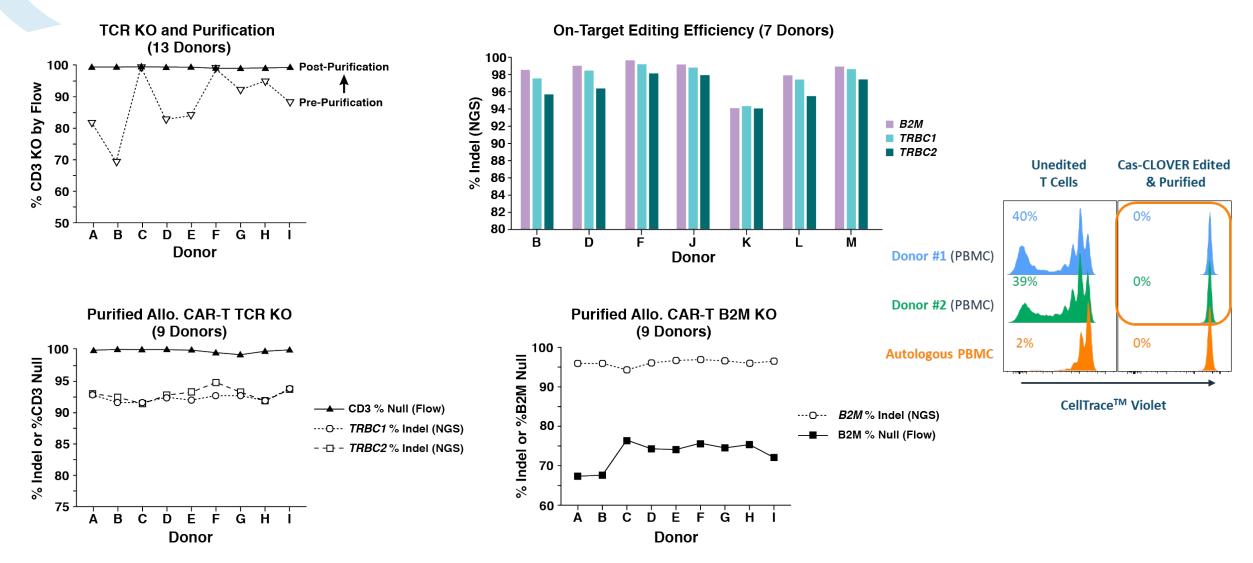


### Allogeneic CAR-T Production with piggyBac<sup>™</sup> & Cas-CLOVER<sup>™</sup>



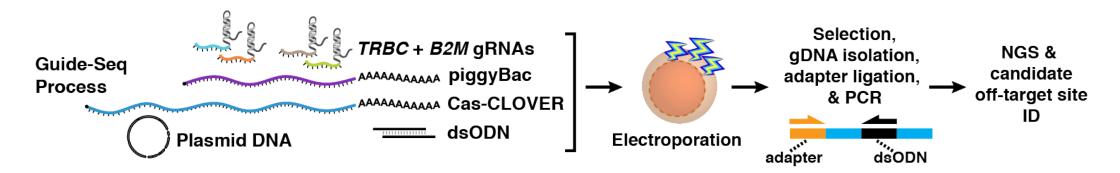


### Efficient Inactivation of TCR with Cas-CLOVER<sup>™</sup>

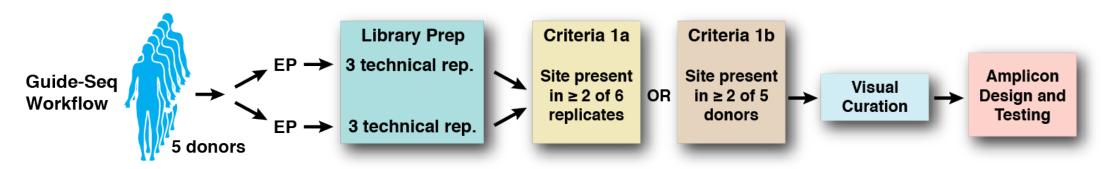




### Off-Target Site Identification with Guide-Seq/Oligo Capture

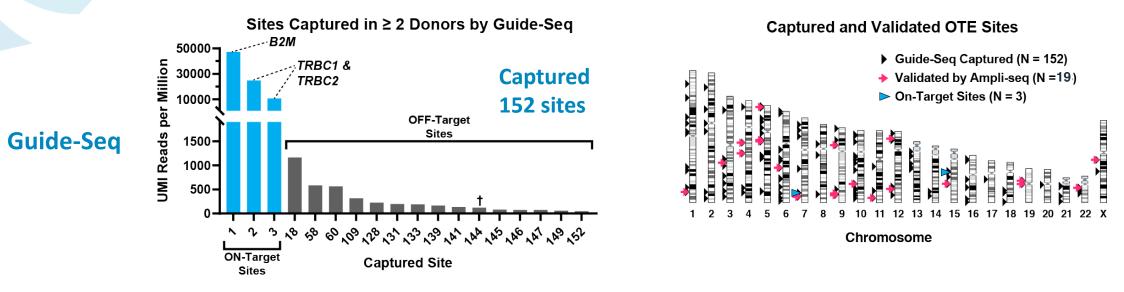


- In cellulo approach
- Unbiased, widely accepted, with high reproducibility
- Discovers candidate off-targets in context of manufacturing process

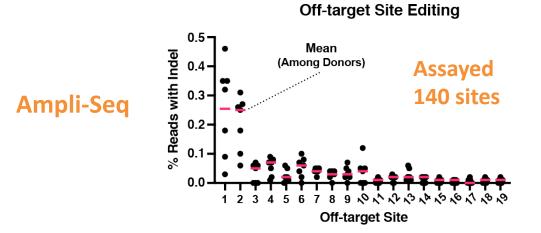


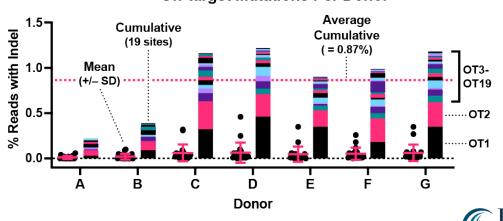


### Off-Target Site Identification with Guide-Seq/Oligo Capture



#### No hits in oncogenes or tumor suppressors (COSMIC database)





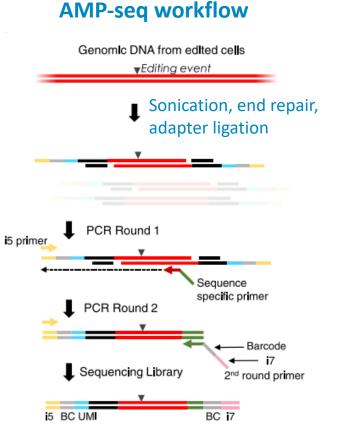
#### **Off-target Mutations Per Donor**

### **Detecting Translocations with AMP-Seq**

#### Anchored multiplex PCR (AMP) - NGS

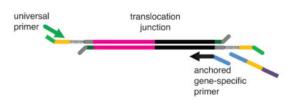
- Previously used for detecting translocations in clinical samples
- Uses a high DNA input amt (2 ug)
- Shears DNA using ultrasonication
- Includes DNA end repair and adapter ligation steps

Zheng, Z. *et al. Nature Medicine* 20, 1479–1484 (2014) Tsai, S. Q. *et al. Nat Biotechnol* 33, 187–197 (2015) Giannoukos, G. *et al. BMC Genomics* 19, 212 (2018)



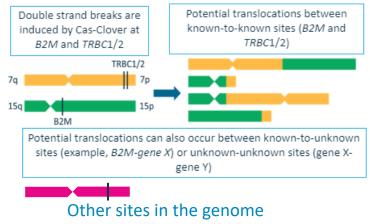
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### AMP-seq primers annealing around DNA fragments with translocation



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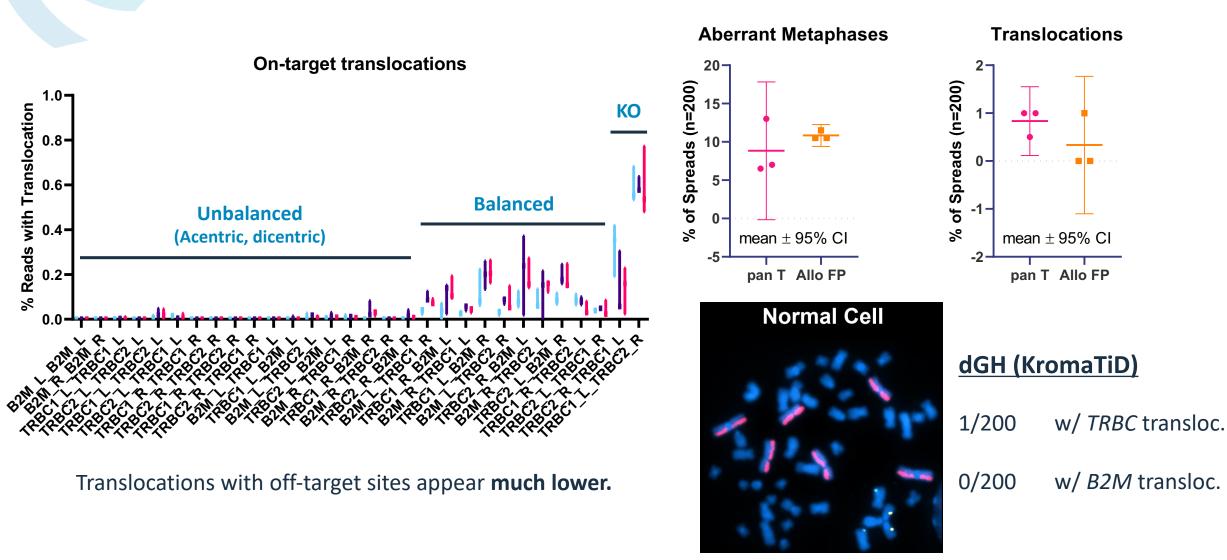
#### **Potential translocations**



(off-target, genomic hotspot, other sites)



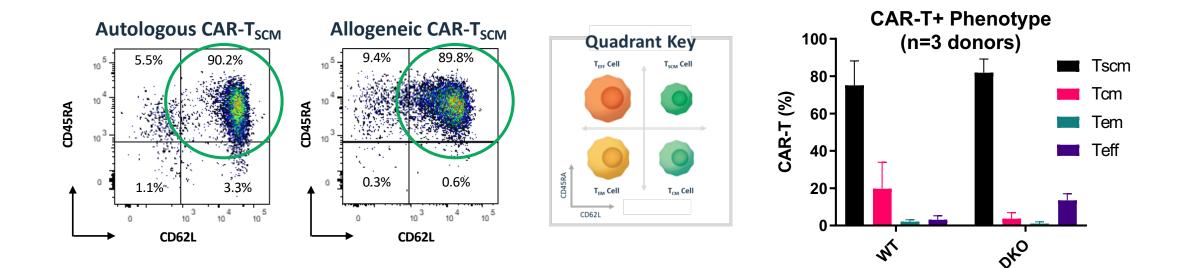
### Cas-CLOVER<sup>™</sup> does not contribute to genome instability





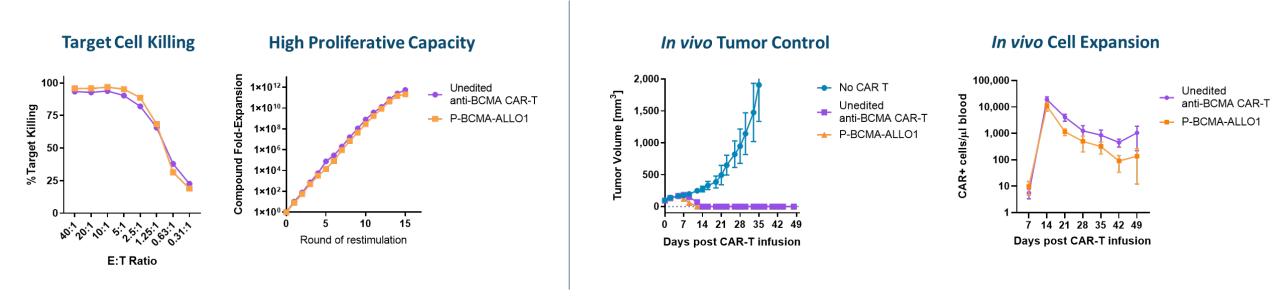
# Cas-CLOVER<sup>™</sup> Gene Editing in <u>Resting T Cells</u> for Generation of Fully Allogeneic CAR-T

- Cas-CLOVER<sup>™</sup> editing in resting T cells <u>does not</u> adversely affect the **desirable T<sub>scM</sub> cells** in the finished product
- A high-percentage T<sub>SCM</sub>, fully allogeneic CAR-T product may confer prodrug-like characteristics and a tolerability profile similar to Poseida's autologous product candidate (P-BCMA-101)





### Fully Allogeneic P-BCMA-ALLO1 Functions Equivalent to or Better Than Autologous (Unedited) Healthy Donor CAR-T *in vitro* & *in vivo*



- In vitro, P-BCMA-ALLO1 showed efficient target cell killing, cytokine secretion and high proliferative capacity
- In vivo, P-BCMA-ALLO1 exhibited efficient tumor control and robust CAR-T cell expansion in response to tumor in an animal model that has high positive predictive value of clinical efficacy



### Where can I get Cas-CLOVER<sup>TM</sup>?



**Cell & Gene Therapeutics** 



Human therapeutics, including CAR-T and other cell and gene therapies





- Research reagents
- The SRG Rat
- OncoRat
- Cell line & animal model creation



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#### **Biomanufacturing & Agriculture**



- Edited cells & plants for "bioprocessing"
- Engineered organisms (i.e. plants, animals & microbes) for agriculture & industrial applications



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