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- Initiate an effective unrelated donor search
- Select best donors in case of many potential donors
- Select best donors in case of few potential donors
- Select amongst mismatched donors

# DATA NEEDED TO START AN UNRELATED DONOR SEARCH

- Collect basic information on patient
- Collect Criteria of Transplant Centre Protocol
- Evaluate patient's HLA assignment

# COLLECT INFORMATION ON THE PATIENT

- HLA typing data
- Patient's HLA haplotypes if family members are available
- Date of birth
- Diagnosis and date
- Gender
- Weight
- CMV status and date
- ABO Blood group
- Ethnicity
- Status of sensitization to specific HLA antigens (if mismatched donor needs to be selected)

# DONOR SELECTION CRITERIA OF TRANSPLANT CENTER PROTOCOL NEEDED

- PBSC / BM
- CB single / double
- Urgency of search
- Specific HLA loci to be considered 4 or 5?
- Are mismatches acceptable?
- Non-HLA criteria

# ELEMENTS OF SEARCH STRATEGY

- Are the patient's HLA assignments sufficient to begin an unrelated search?
- How difficult will it be to find a matched donor?
  - Are any HLA types rare?
  - Are there any unusual HLA associations (B~C or DR~DQ).
  - Are there common HLA associations not found in the patient that might complicate the search?

# WHERE IS MY DONOR OR CORD BLOOD UNIT? WHAT REGISTRY TO SEARCH?



# BONE MARROW DONORS WORLDWIDE ([www.bmdw.org](http://www.bmdw.org))

- Central place to identify one or more countries where potential donors or cord blood units can be found
- To register as BMDW user, see [BMDW.org](http://BMDW.org) : Matching Service

# BMDW SEARCH & MATCH SERVICE

## Add patient:

- ID
- HLA details (HLA-A, -B, -C, -DRB1, -DQB1, DPB1 etc.)
- Medical details (CMV, ethnicity, d.o.b., Diagnosis, Diagnosis date, Blood group/Rh, Weight, Gender, Urgent Y/N)
- Choose search type (A, B, DR donor search and/or a cord search and/or A, B donor search)

## Add patient and Run Search

# SELECT BEST DONORS IN CASE OF MANY POTENTIAL DONORS

Patient K: 30 yrs, male, AML, CMV+, Blood group A Rh+

Patient HLA:

A\*01:01, 02:01; B\*07:02, 44:02; C\* 05:01, 07:02;

DRB1\*04:01, 15:01; DQB1\*03:01, 06:02

# DONOR SEARCH RESULT PATIENT K

## Search result:

2,988 donors at 10/10 search (HLA-A, -B, -C, -DRB1, DQB1)

Which donors to select?

# CUSTOM CRITERIA

Filter donors on non-HLA selection criteria

- **Search setting:**
  - Filter by gender
  - Filter by CMV status
- **Search result list:**
  - Click on 
  - Filter by age (give maximum age)
  - Filter by Blood group (A, B, AB, O, unknown)
  - Filter by Registry (choose registry)

# PATIENT K: 2,988 10/10 MATCHED DONORS

- Filter on male donors: 1,127 donors
- Filter on CMV positive donors: 62 donors
- Filter on maximum age of 30 yrs: 32 donors
- Filter on ABO match (A): 4 donors

# MATCH RESULT FOR PATIENT K AFTER FILTERING

Match results for Test K.												
Row	Probability of mismatches 0, 1, 2	A 01:01 02:01	B 07:02 44:02	C 07:02 05:01	DRB1 15:01 04:01	DQB1 06:02 03:01	DPB1	DRB3/4/5	Registry Reg Abbr	Age Gender	Blood group CMV status	Select
10/10 (potential) allele matches												
2	100%, 0%, 0%	01:01:01:01 02:01:01:01	07:02:01 44:02:01:01	05:01:01:02 07:02:01:03	15:01:01:01 04:01:01	06:02:01 03:01:01:01	04:01:01	4*01:AKJT 5*01:01:01	6354  GB-Anthony	21 Male	A + P (2016-10-28)	★
6	100%, 0%, 0%	01:01 02:01	07:02 44:02	05:01 07:02	04:01:01 15:01:01	03:01:01 06:02:01	04:01:01	4*01:03 5*01:01	6939  DE-ZKRD	25 Male	A - G (2015-02-13)	★
8	100%, 0%, 0%	01:01:01G 02:01:01G	07:02:01G 44:02:01G	05:01:01G 07:02:01G	04:01:01G 15:01:01	03:01:01 06:02:01	04:FNVS 04:HJMR		6939  DE-ZKRD	26 Male	A + H (2016-11-25)	★
30	85%, 15%, 1%	01:VUVN 02:VUVU	07:SNFD 44:JGMU	05:JEAU 07:SNFN	04:UZPN 15:UZTD				5103  CA-One Match	23 Male	A + P	★

# SELECT BEST DONORS IN CASE OF FEW POTENTIAL DONORS

Patient X: South Asian Indian, 22 yrs, M, AML, CMV-, Blood group B Rh+

Patient HLA:

A\*02:11, 11:01; B\*40:06, 40:50; C\*15:02; DRB1\*03:01, 11:01;  
DQB1\*02:01, 03:01

Remark: the search is given as urgent

# PATIENT X

A\*02:11, 11:01; B\*40:06, 40:50; C\*15:02;  
DRB1\*03:01, 11:01, DQB1\*02:01, 03:01

A\*02:11: highest frequency in Asians

B\*40:06: highest frequency in Asians

B\*40:50: rare allele, highest frequency in South Asian Indians (0.025)

HLA-B-C associations are as expected

HLA-DRB1 – DQB1 association are as expected

# DONOR MATCH RESULT FOR PATIENT X

Match results for X.												
<i>Mismatches are shown in brackets. (Bold) are antigen mismatches, (<u>underlined</u>) are allele mismatches and italics indicate uncertainty.</i>												
Row	Probability of mismatches	A	B	C	DRB1	DQB1	DPB1	DRB3/4/5	Registry Reg Abbr	Age Gender	Blood group CMV status	Select
10/10 (potential) allele matches												
1	PPPPP 1% . 1% . 2%	02:XX 11:XX	40:XX 40:XX		03:XX 11:XX				5391 PL-Poltranspl	31 Female		★
2	PPPPP 1% . 1% . 2%	11:XX 02:XX	40:XX		11:APB 03:BPP			3*02:BRZ	3553 US-NMDP	46 Female		★
3	PPPPP 1% . 1% . 2%	02:XX 11:XX	40:XX 40:XX		03:XX 11:XX				3785 SG-BMDP	53 Female	B +	★
4	PPPPP 1% . 1% . 2%	02:XX 11:XX	40:XX 40:XX		03:XX 11:XX				8766 BR-REDOME			★
5	PPPPP 1% . 1% . 2%	02:XX 11:XX	40:XX 40:XX		03:BACP 11:XX				3458 TW-Tzu Chi			★
6	PPPPP 1% . 1% . 2%	02:XX 11:XX	40:XX 40:XX		03:XX 11:XX				3458 TW-Tzu Chi			★
7	PPPPP 1% . 1% . 2%	02:XX 11:XX	40:XX 40:XX		03:XX 11:XX				3458 TW-Tzu Chi			★
8	PPPPP 1% . 1% . 2%	02:XX 11:XX	40:XX 40:XX		03:XX 11:XX				3458 TW-Tzu Chi			★

# DONOR MATCH RESULT FOR PATIENT X

8 potential 10/10 allele matches:

- All donors typed at low resolution
- 4 from Taiwan, 1 from Singapore, 1 from NMDP, 1 from Brazil and 1 from Poland

Based on the haplotype frequency of the entire BMDW donors:

- Probability of 10/10 match : 1%
- Probability of 9/10 match : 1%

Based on Southeast Asian frequency:

- Probability of 10/10 match : 1%
- Probability of 9/10 match : 11%

# DONOR MISMATCH RESULTS FOR PATIENT X

9/10 (potential) allele matches

10	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">M A A A A</div> 0% , 100% , 0%	(11:AETSW) 11:AETSW	40:06 40:50	15:ADPFE 15:ADPFE	03:01 11:CTPB	02:ADPFF 03:AFXPP		8486 IN-Datri	29 Male	B +	★
11	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">P M P P P</div> 0% , 99% , 1%	11:KPUN 02:KJSH	40:06 (27:EHNV)	15:MCFU 15:MCFS	11:KAKV 03:JZMU			3553  US-NMDP	35 Male		★

# PATIENT X: SEARCH IS URGENT

Possible donors:

- Potential 10/10 donors with 1% chance. These donors have a low chance of 9/10 match (1% - 11%)
- Two 9/10 donors with 99 – 100%

Conclusion: select mismatched donors

# SELECT AMONGST MISMATCHED DONORS

No potential 10/10 matched donor available

How to prioritize and rank mismatched donors?

# SELECTING HLA MISMATCHES

- Check if the patient has IgG antibodies directed to specific HLA antigens.
- Prior sensitization to specific HLA antigens may result in rejection of grafts expressing those antigens.

Spellman et al. (2010) Blood 115:2704-2708

Ottinger et al. (2002) Transplantation 73:1280-1285

# HLA-DQB1 MATCHING AND TRANSPLANT OUTCOME

## HLA-DQB1 as single mismatch

- No significant impact on survival

## HLA-DQB1 as a second mismatch

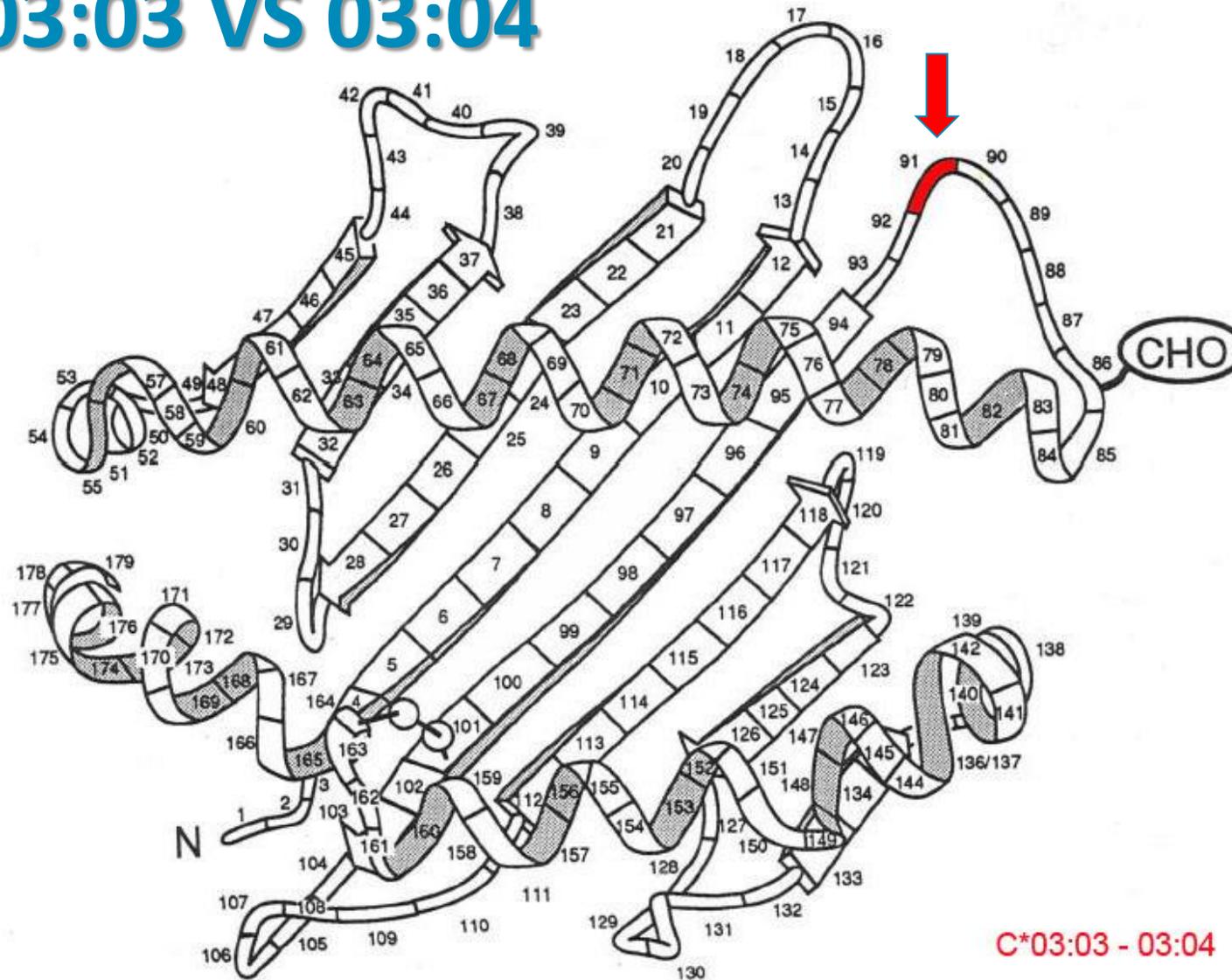
- Small, but not significant, adverse effect on survival

Ref: Petersdorf et al 2004, Blood 104; 2976

Lee et al 2007, Blood 110: 4576

Fürst et al 2013, Blood 122: 3220

# HLA-C\*03:03 VS 03:04



C\*03:03 - 03:04

# HLA-C\*03:03 VS 03:04 IS A PERMISSIBLE MISMATCH

## Identification of a permissible HLA mismatch in hematopoietic stem cell transplantation

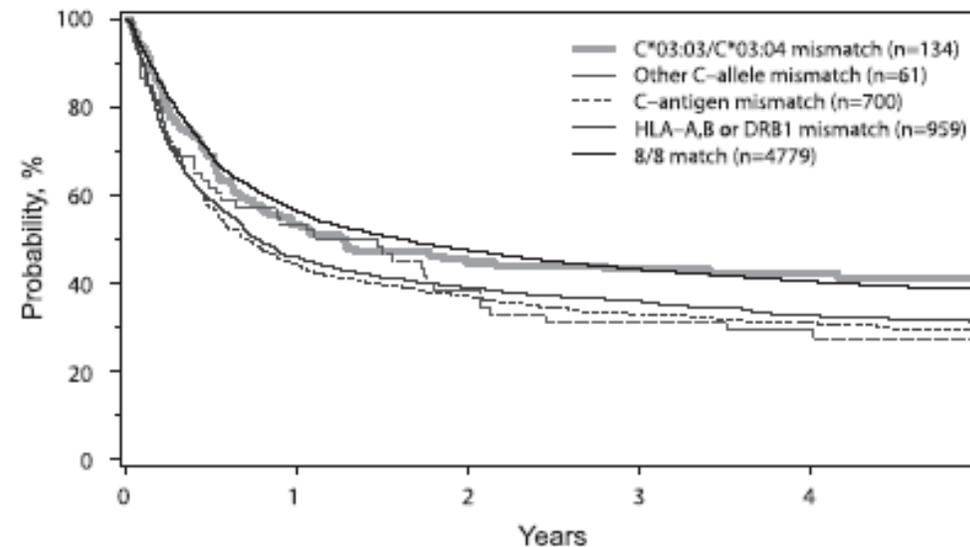
Marcelo A. Fernandez-Viña,<sup>1</sup> Tao Wang,<sup>2</sup> Stephanie J. Lee,<sup>3</sup> Michael Haagenson,<sup>4</sup> Mahmoud Aljurf,<sup>5</sup> Medhat Askar,<sup>6</sup> Minoo Battiwalla,<sup>7</sup> Lee-Ann Baxter-Lowe,<sup>8</sup> James Gajewski,<sup>9</sup> Ann A. Jakubowski,<sup>10</sup> Susana Marino,<sup>11</sup> Machteld Oudshoorn,<sup>12</sup> Steven G. E. Marsh,<sup>13</sup> Effie W. Petersdorf,<sup>3</sup> Kirk Schultz,<sup>14</sup> E. Victoria Turner,<sup>15</sup> Edmund K. Waller,<sup>16</sup> Ann Woolfrey,<sup>3</sup> John Umejiego,<sup>4</sup> Stephen R. Spellman,<sup>4</sup> and Michelle Setterholm<sup>17</sup>

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### Key Points

- Mismatches in alleles C\*03:03/C\*03:04 were most frequent (68.7%) among the transplants with a single allele level mismatch in HLA-C.
- The 7/8 C\*03:03/C\*03:04 mismatch group was not significantly different from the 8/8 HLA matched transplants in any transplant outcome.

### Similar Survival to 8/8 matched



# DIRECTION OF HLA MISMATCH AND TRANSPLANT OUTCOME

Outcome	7/8 HvG	7/8 GvH	7/8 Bidirectional
Overall survival	1.37 (1.04 – 1.81), p=0.03	1.67 (1.27 – 2.18), <b>p=0.0002</b>	1.29 (1.15 – 1.46), <b>p&lt;0.0001</b>
TRM	1.44 (1.05 – 1.97), p=0.025	1.82 (1.37 – 2.42), <b>p&lt;0.0001</b>	1.56 (1.36 – 1.79), <b>p&lt;0.0001</b>
Relapse	1.38 (0.97 – 1.95), p=0.07	1.11 (0.76 – 1.63), p=0.60	0.98 (0.84 – 1.16), p=0.83
Graft failure	1.21 (0.43 – 3.40), p=0.71	1.97 (0.88 – 4.41), p=0.10	1.66 (1.12 – 2.45), p<0.011

(8/8 matched = Reference value): P< 0.01 threshold for statistical significance.  
HR (95% CI), p value.

Hurley et al. 2013, Blood, 121: 4800

# CONCLUSION I

- Inspect patient's HLA assignment carefully. HLA assignment likely?; Rare alleles?; unusual associations?
- Use custom criteria to filter on non-HLA selection criteria in case of many potential donors.
- In case of few potential donors carefully look at probabilities, beware that probabilities in BMDW are based in the entire BMDW donors.
- In some cases directly selecting a 9/10 donor instead of potential 10/10 donors may be the best option.

# CONCLUSION II

- Limit HLA mismatches.
- Avoid mismatches to which the patient is sensitized.
- In case of mismatches choose HLA-DQB1 mismatch or HLA-C\*03:03 vs 03:04 mismatch
- For patients HLA homozygous at a locus select single HvG mismatch over bi-directional mismatch.

# DO NOT HESITATE TO ASK SEARCH ADVICE

- See BMDW Matching Service



# QUESTIONS?

