

Selected references

CliniMACS Prodigy®

Scientific publications

CAR T cells

Blaeschke, F. et al. (2018) Induction of a central memory and stem cell memory phenotype in functionally active CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ CAR T cells produced in an automated good manufacturing practice system for the treatment of CD19⁺ acute lymphoblastic leukemia.

Cancer Immunol Immunother.

<https://doi.org/10.1007/s00262-018-2155-7>

Partly automated GMP-generation of CAR T cells from critically small blood samples was feasible with a new stimulation protocol that leads to high functionality and expansion potential, balanced CD4/CD8 ratios and a conversion to a Tcm/Tscm phenotype.

Zhu, F. et al. (2018) Closed-system manufacturing of CD19 and dual-targeted CD20/19 chimeric antigen receptor T cells using the CliniMACS Prodigy device at an academic medical center. *Cytotherapy*. 20: 394–406.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcyt.2017.09.005>

The CliniMACS Prodigy device, tubing set TS520 and TCT software allow CAR T cells to be manufactured in a closed system at the treatment site without need for clean-room facilities and related infrastructure.

Lock, D. et al. (2017) Automated manufacturing of potent CD20-directed chimeric antigen receptor T cells for clinical use. *Hum Gene Ther*. 28: 914–925.

<https://doi.org/10.1089/hum.2017.111>

Automated cGMP-compliant process on the CliniMACS Prodigy reliably produces a therapeutic dose of anti-CD20 specific CAR T cells, starting from healthy or patient material and independent of operator or device.

Priesner, C. et al. (2016) Automated enrichment, transduction and expansion of clinical-scale CD62L⁺ T cells for manufacturing of GTMPs.

Hum Gene Ther. 27: 860–869.

<https://doi.org/10.1089/hum.2016.091>

Proof of principle in clinical-scale selection, stimulation, transduction and expansion of T cells using the automated closed CliniMACS Prodigy system.

Mock, U. et al. (2016) Automated manufacturing of chimeric antigen receptor T cells for adoptive immunotherapy using CliniMACS Prodigy.

Cytotherapy 18: 1002–11.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcyt.2016.05.009>

The feasibility of CliniMACS Prodigy for T cell transduction is demonstrated with automated generation of CD19-CAR⁺ T cells in clinically relevant doses, including studies on the confirmation of *in vitro* and *in vivo* efficacy of the product.

Virus- / Antigen-specific T cells

Kállay, K. et al. (2018) Early experience with CliniMACS Prodigy CCS (IFN-gamma) System in selection of virus-specific T cells from third-party donors for pediatric patients with severe viral infections after hematopoietic stem cell transplantation.

J Immunother. 41: 158–163.

<https://doi.org/10.1097/CJI.0000000000000197>

Virus-specific T cell therapy implemented by the CliniMACS Prodigy CCS (IFN-gamma) System is an automated, fast, safe, and probably effective way to control resistant viral diseases after pediatric hematopoietic stem cell transplantation.

Kim, N. et al. (2018) Robust production of cytomegalovirus pp65-specific T cells using a fully automated IFN-γ Cytokine Capture System.

Transfus Med Hemother. 45: 13–22.

<https://doi.org/10.1159/000479238>

The findings reported here suggest that the IFN-γ CCS by the CliniMACS Prodigy is a simple and robust approach to produce CMV-CTLs, which may be applicable for the treatment of clinically urgent CMV-related diseases.

Pello, O. M. et al. (2017) BKV-specific T cells in the treatment of severe refractory hemorrhagic cystitis after HLA-haploidentical hematopoietic cell transplantation. *Eur J Haematol*. 98: 632–634.

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Use of products enriched with BKV-specific T cells generated using CliniMACS Prodigy and the Cytokine Capture System is safe and efficient in HLA-haploidentical HCT where BKV cystitis can be a serious complication.

Priesner, C. et al. (2016) Comparative analysis of clinical-scale IFN- γ -positive T cell enrichment using partially and fully integrated platforms. *Fron. Immunol.* 7: 393.
<https://doi.org/10.3389/fimmu.2016.00393>

The manufacturing process on the CliniMACS Prodigy® saved development and hands-on time due to its higher process integration and ability for unattended operation.

Kumaresan, P. et al. (2015) Automated cell enrichment of cytomegalovirus-specific T cells for clinical applications using the cytokine-capture system.

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<https://doi.org/10.3791/52808>

The goal of this protocol is to manufacture pathogen-specific clinical-grade T cells using a bench-top, automated, second generation cell enrichment device that incorporates a closed cytokine capture system and does not require dedicated staff or use of a GMP facility.

Bunos, M. et al. (2015) Automated isolation of primary antigen-specific T cells from donor lymphocyte concentrates: results of a feasibility exercise.

Vox Sang. 109: 387–93.
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The CCS protocol on CliniMACS Prodigy is unrestrictedly functional. It runs fully automatically beyond set-up and thus markedly reduces labor. The quality of the products generated is similar to products generated with CliniMACS Plus. The automatic system is thus suitable for routine clinical application.

CD34⁺ and CD45RA⁺ cells

Mueller, N. et al. (2018) Generation of alloreactivity-reduced donor lymphocyte products retaining memory function by fully automatic depletion of CD45RA-positive cells.

Cytotherapy. 20: 532–542.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcyt.2018.01.006>

The novel, closed, fully GMP-compatible process on CliniMACS Prodigy generates highly CD45RA-depleted cellular products predicted to be clinically meaningfully depleted of GvH reactivity.

Bateman, C. et al. (2017) Results of using automated CliniMACS Prodigy for CD34 selection from mobilized peripheral blood stem cell products.

Blood. 130: 3201.
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Results suggest that the CliniMACS Prodigy can be used for the routine clinical application of CD34 selection to HSCT products.

Ishida, T. et al. (2016) Multiple allogeneic progenitors in combination function as a unit to support early transient hematopoiesis in transplantation.

J. Exp. Med. 213: 1865–80.
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The CliniMACS Prodigy, an all-in-one cell-processing instrument, efficiently harvested viable mononuclear cells (MNCs) after protocol optimization, and viable CD34⁺ cells as well from frozen UCB cells.

Hümmer, C. et al. (2016) Automation of cellular therapy product manufacturing: results of a split validation comparing CD34 selection of peripheral blood stem cell apheresis product with a semi-manual vs. an automatic procedure.

J Transl. Med. 14: 76.
<https://doi.org/10.1186/s12967-016-0826-8>
The CliniMACS Prodigy is shown to be suitable to perform CD34 selection to validation products met a pre-defined specification.

Stroncek, D. F. et al. (2016) Preliminary evaluation of a highly automated instrument for the selection of CD34⁺ cells from mobilized peripheral blood stem cell concentrates.

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CD34⁺ cells can be effectively selected from mobilized PBSC concentrates with the CliniMACS Prodigy.

NK cells

Klöß, S. et al. (2017) Optimization of human NK cell manufacturing: fully automated separation, improved ex vivo expansion using IL-21 with autologous feeder cells, and generation of anti-CD123-CAR-expressing effector cells.

Hum Gene Ther. 28: 897–913.
<https://doi.org/10.1089/hum.2017.157>
Fully automated one-step separation of NK CD56⁺CD3⁻ cells using the CliniMACS Prodigy is shown, starting with approximately 1.2×10^9 leukocytes collected by small-scale lymphapheresis or from buffy coats.

Granzin, M. et al. (2015) Fully automated expansion and activation of clinical-grade natural killer cells for adoptive immunotherapy.

Cytotherapy 17: 621–31.
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Large-scale, GMP-compliant, autologous macrophage cell therapy product for the potential treatment of cirrhosis.

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