Matched Unrelated Donor Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation

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Three Sources for HLA-Matched and Partially Matched Unrelated Donor HCT

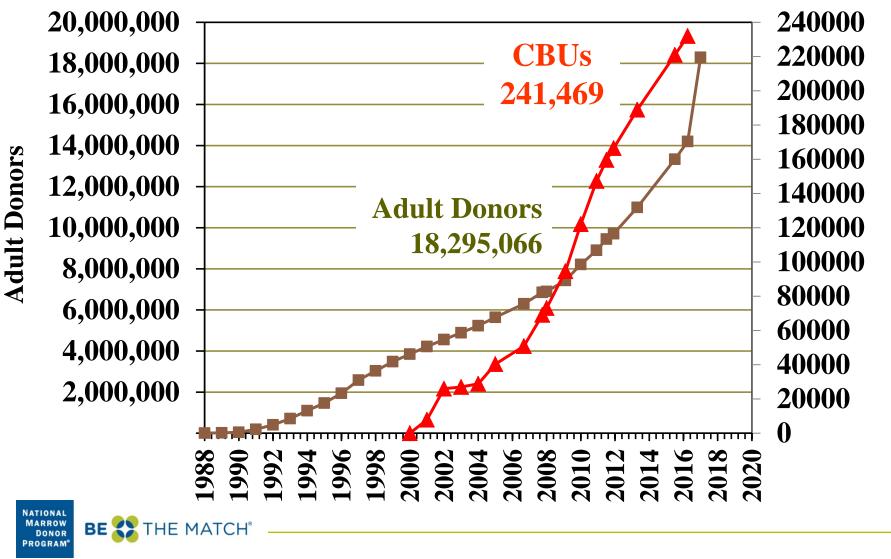
- Unrelated adult donor bone marrow, HPC(M)
- Unrelated adult donor peripheral blood stem cells, HPC(A)
- Unrelated umbilical cord blood, HPC(CB)



Donors for Unrelated Donor Transplantation

- >29 million adult donors and 720,000 CBU are listed in registries and CBU banks worldwide
- 98 Registries and 92 cord blood banks in 54 countries
- NMDP / Be The Match has the intent to put as much inventory as possible in its primary search file
 - >18 million adult donors
 - -> 240,000 CBU
 - Mirroring cord blood inventory with several cord blood registries

National Marrow Donor Program Adult Donors & Cord Blood Units – January 9, 2017



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Cord Blood Units

A Comprehensive Model for Registry Match Rates

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SPECIAL ARTICLE

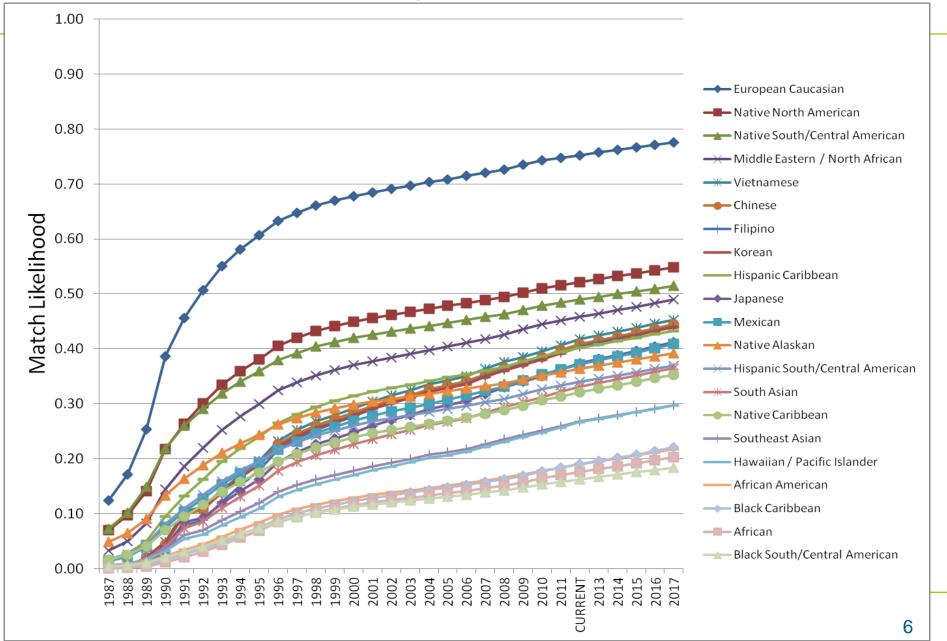
HLA Match Likelihoods for Hematopoietic Stem-Cell Grafts in the U.S. Registry

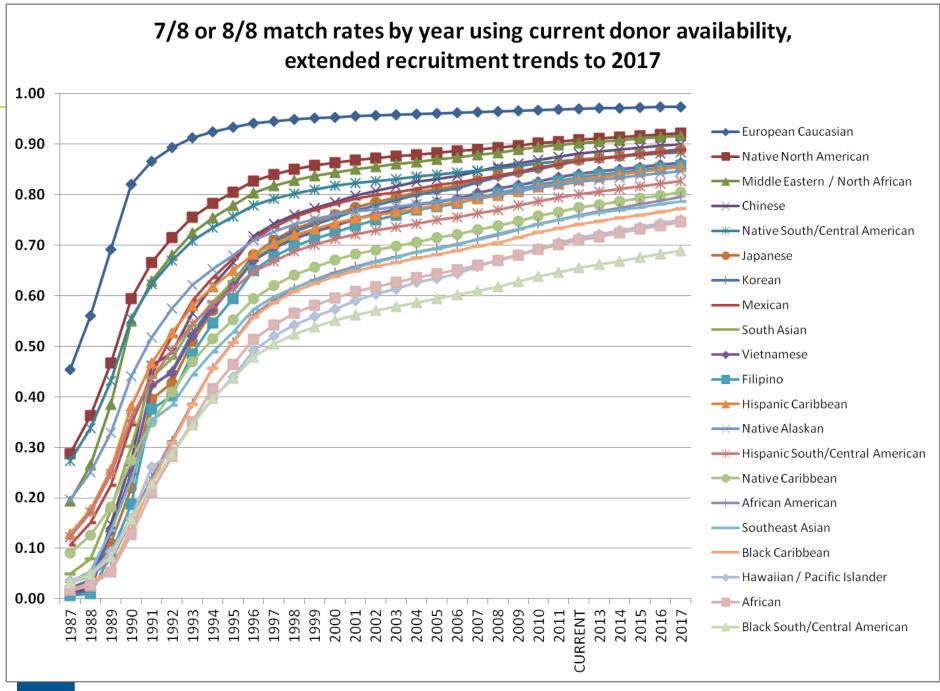
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8/8 match likelihoods by year-end using current donor availability, extending recruitment trends to 2017





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BMT CTN Protocol 0201 Results of a Phase III Randomized Multicenter Trial of HLA compatible Unrelated Donor Transplantation:

G-CSF Mobilized Peripheral Blood Stem Cells (PBSC) Versus Bone Marrow

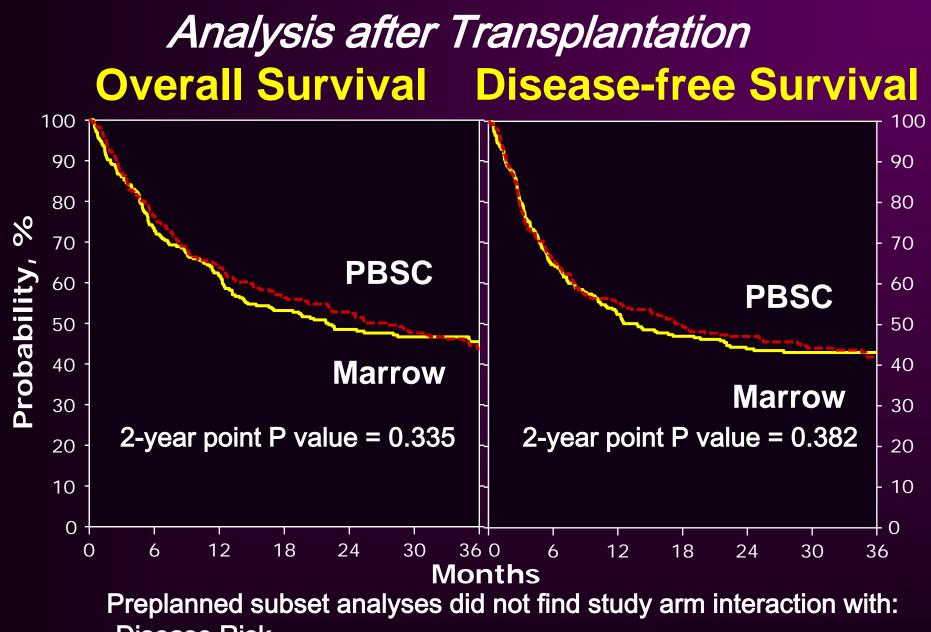


Study Characteristics

- <u>Design</u>: Randomized, multicenter trial
- Primary endpoint: Two-year survival
- Randomization: PBSC vs. marrow, 1:1
- Accrual: 550 donor-recipient pairs
- Enrollment: March, 2004 to September, 2009
- <u>Median follow-up</u>: 36 months





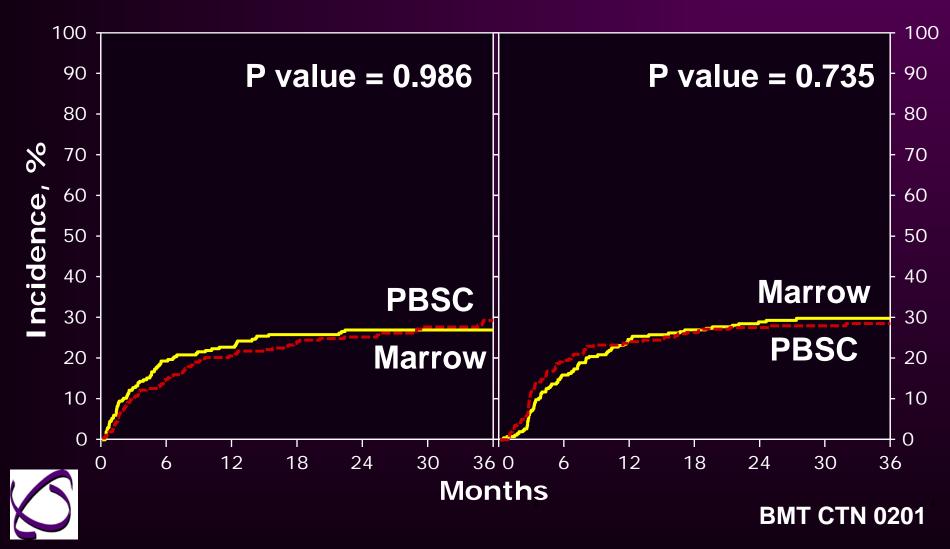


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- -Disease Risk -Donor HLA matching -Patient Age

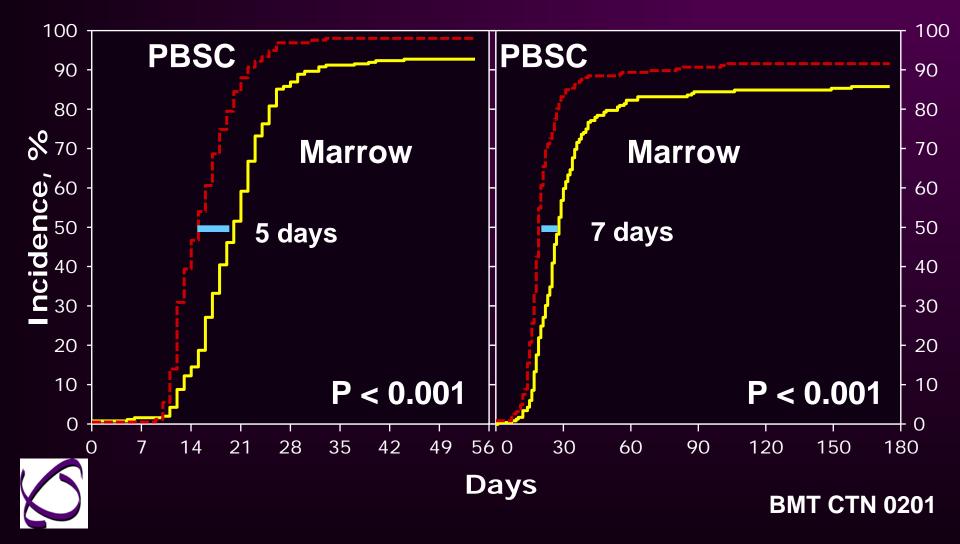
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Analysis after Transplantation

Non-relapse Mortality Relapse



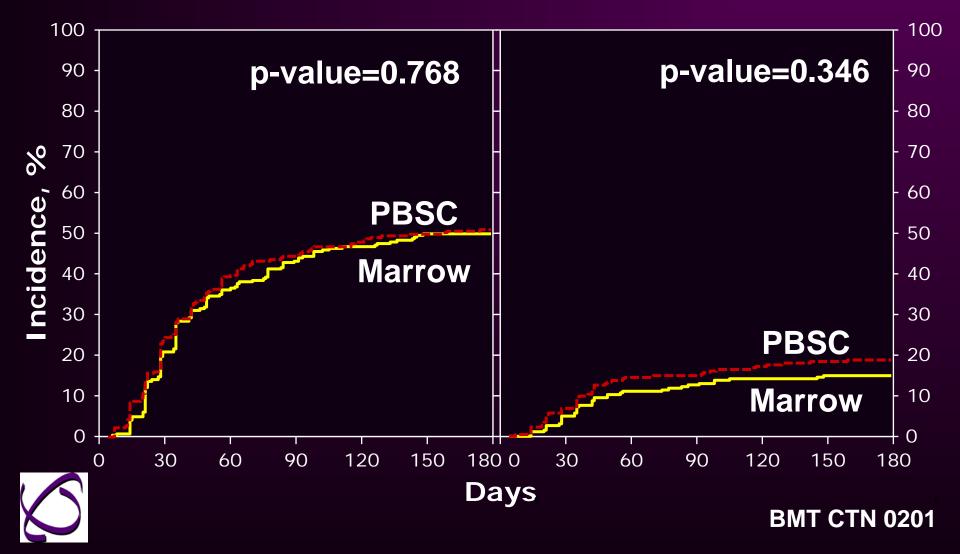
Engraftment after TransplantationNeutrophilsPlatelets > 20k



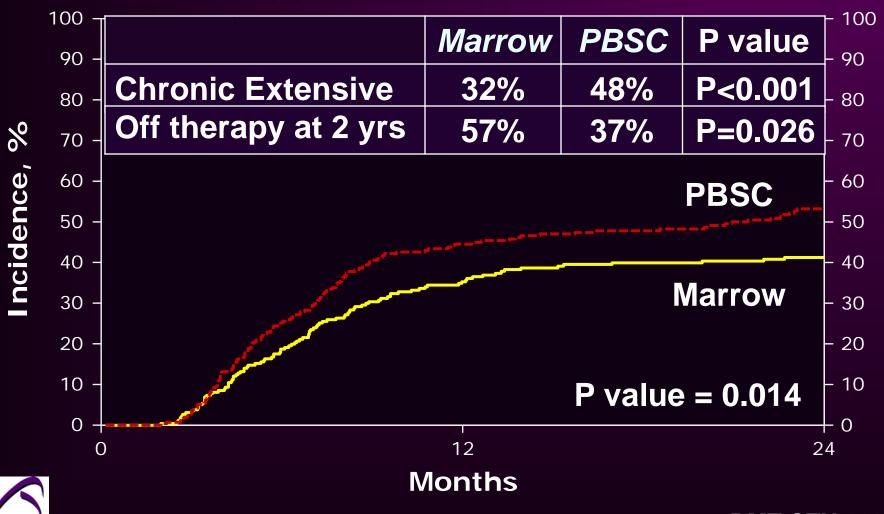
Acute Graft-versus-Host Disease (GVHD)

Grades 3-4

Grades 2-4



Overall Chronic GVHD



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Summary Marrow vs. PBSC

- There is no difference in survival, disease-free survival or acute graft-versus-host disease
- PBSC HCT has more rapid engraftment of neutrophils and platelets
- PBSC is associated with a higher incidence and severity of chronic GVHD
- In 5-year follow-up by Lee, et al*, the negative impact of PBSC cGVHD continues
 - Higher symptom burden
 - Worse quality of life
 - 50% less likely to return to work

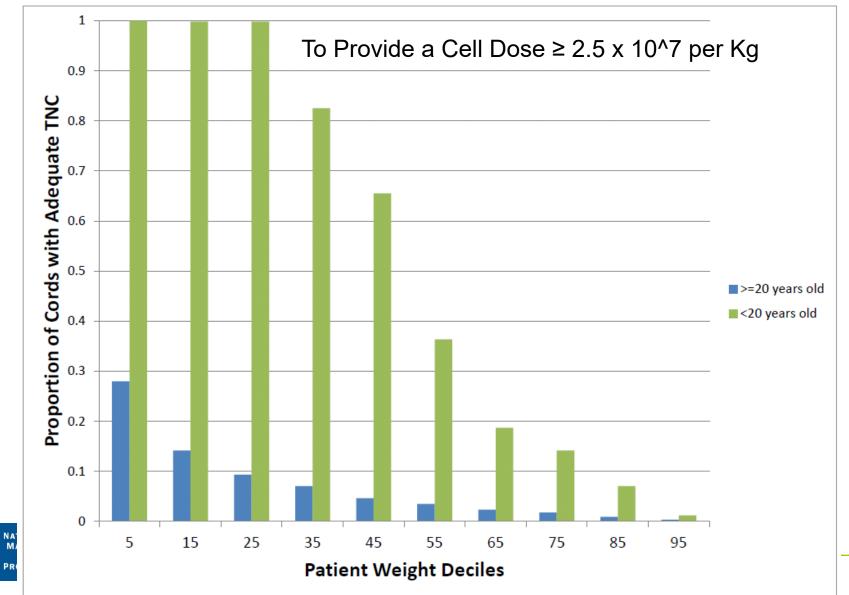


Patients Without an Adult Donor May be Helped by Banked Umbilical Cord Blood

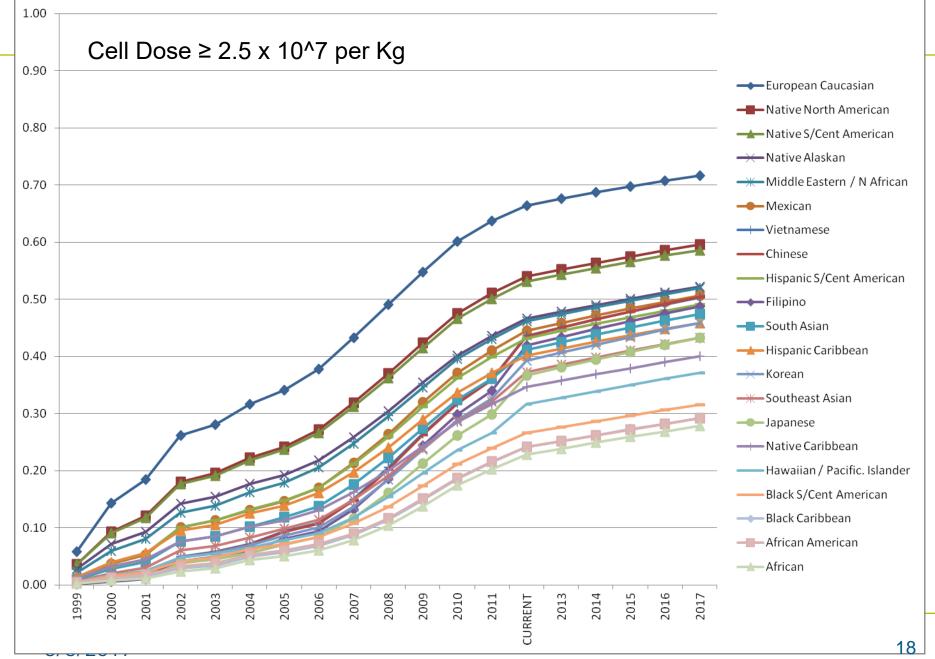
- Advantages:
 - Immediately available (important for patients with rapidly progressive diseases)
 - No risk to the infant donor
 - Allows more HLA-mismatch with lower risk of GVHD, yet retains a graft-vs-tumor effect
- Disadvantages:
 - Low cell numbers inadequate cell dose for many adults
 - Slow hematopoietic recovery and higher risk of graft failure



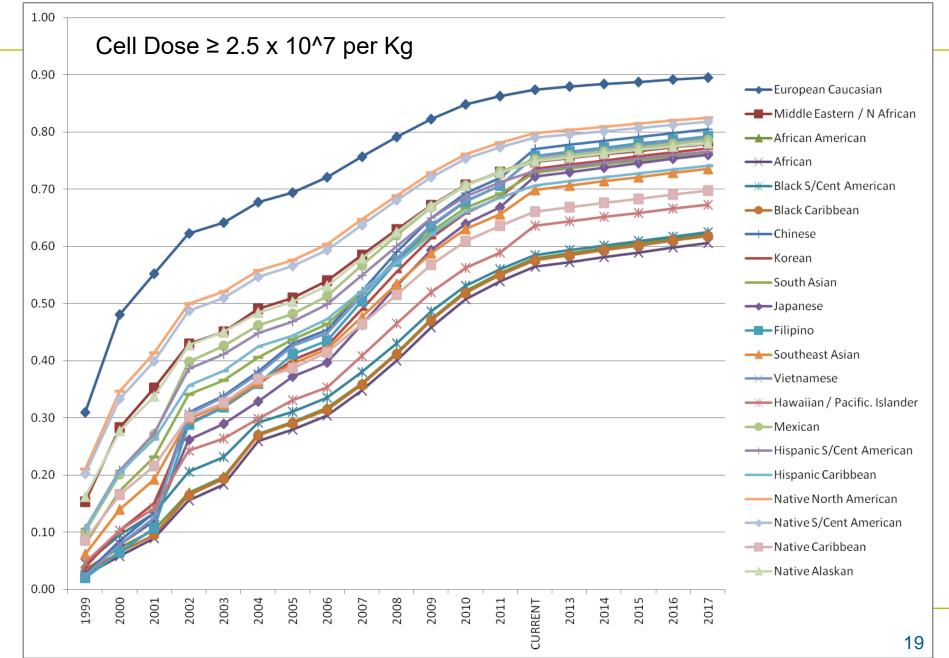
Effective Cord Inventory Adjustments Based on Patient Age and Weight



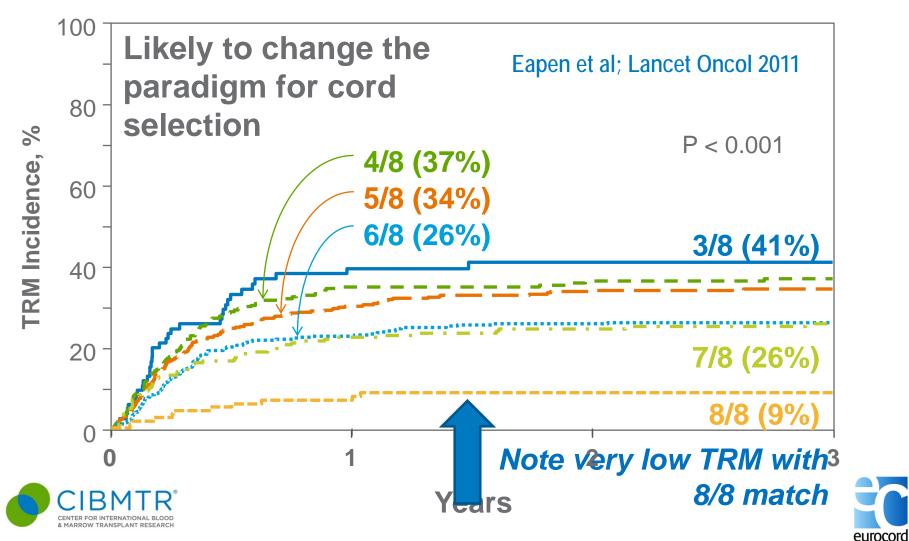
≥ 5/6 CBU match rates for adults by year



≥ 5/6 CBU match rates for children by year



Effect of Allele-level Matching at A, B, C, DRB1 on Transplant-related Mortality after Cord Blood Transplantation



Lesser (intermediate resolution A, B; high resolution DRB1) vs. Allele-level HLA-match

Loci mis- matched	Loci mismatched using high resolution typing for A, B, C, DRB1					
using usual typing	5	4	3	2	1	0
2	11%	31%	49%	10%		
1	1%	8%	22%	44%	25%	
0			4%	18%	24%	54%

HLA-Matched and Partially Matched Unrelated Graft Sources: Summary

- Allele-level typing at HLA-A, -B, -C and –DRB1 is necessary for matching all unrelated sources
- The standard for HPC(A) and HPC(M) is 8 of 8 or 7 of 8 alleles matched
- The standard for HPC(CB) is an adequate cell dose and matching as many alleles as possible, preferably ≥6 of 8
- Acute and chronic GVHD remain serious problems
- Even with millions of unrelated graft sources world-wide, many people will lack a suitable unrelated graft
- New strategies for haploidentical related donor HCT may solve this problem

