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Excellent Survival after Sibling or Unrelated Donor Stem Cell Transplantation for Chronic Granulomatous Disease

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Abstract

Background: Matched related donor hematopoietic stem cell transplant (HSCT) is a successful treatment for chronic granulomatous disease (CGD), but the safety and efficacy of HSCT from unrelated donors is less certain.

Objective: We evaluated the outcomes and overall survival in patients with CGD after HSCT.

Methods: We report the outcome for eleven children undergoing HSCT from matched related donor (MRD) (n=4) or an HLA matched unrelated donor (MUD) (n=7); nine were males and the median age was 3.8 years (range: 1–13). We treated both X-linked (n=9) and autosomal recessive (n=2) disease. Nine children had serious clinical infections before transplant. The conditioning regimens contained busulfan, cyclophosphamide, cytarabine, or fludarabine according to the donor used. All patients received alemtuzumab (anti-CD52 antibody). Additional graft vs host disease

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(GvHD) prophylaxis included cyclosporine and methotrexate (MTX) for MUD recipients and cyclosporine and prednisone for MRD recipients.

Results: Neutrophil recovery took a median of 16 days (range, 12–40 days) and 18 days (range, 13–24 days) for MRD and MUD recipients respectively. Full donor neutrophil engraftment occurred in 9 patients, while 2 developed stable mixed chimerism; all patients had sustained correction of neutrophil oxidative burst (NOB) defect. Four patients developed grade I skin acute GVHD responding to topical treatment. No patient developed grade II-IV acute GvHD or chronic GvHD. All patients are alive between 1 to 8 years post HSCT.

Conclusion: We conclude that for CGD, equivalent outcomes can be obtained using MRD or MUD stem cells and that HSCT should be considered an early treatment option.

Keywords

chronic granulomatous disease; primary immunodeficiencies; bone marrow transplant; graft vs. host disease

Chronic granulomatous disease (CGD) is an inherited immunodeficiency estimated to occur in one in 250,000 individuals.¹ The disease is caused by mutations in any of the genes that encode the proteins of the phagocytic NADPH oxidase enzyme complex (gp91^{phox}, p47^{phox}, p67 ^{phox} p22, ^{phox}, and p40 ^{phox}).² The disease is X-linked in 65% of affected individuals (gp91^{phox}) and autosomal recessive in others. Defects in this enzyme complex render neutrophils incapable of phagocytic microbial killing, leading to severe and recurrent infections. Patients with CGD have an impaired quality of life with frequent hospitalization, recurrent diarrhea, infections and inflammatory organ damage.³ Furthermore, established infections (fungal and bacterial organisms including Staphylococcal aureus, Burkholderia cepacia and Aspergillus fumigatus) are difficult to eradicate and remain a significant cause of mortality. In a large European study of over400 CGD patients followed over 50 years, the mean age at death for X-linked CGD patients was 38 years.¹ Other reports suggest a life expectancy of 25-30 years for X-linked CGD patients.⁴ The annual rate of death due to CGD in the US is 2–5% and only 50% of the patients will survive to 30 years of age.^{5–6} The standard of care for CGD includes infection prophylaxis with antibiotics, antifungal agents and γ -interferon(IFN).^{7–9} Gallin et al. have shown that Itraconazole prophylaxis therapy has been widely used and proved to be safe and effective in children and adults with CGD to prevent fungal infections.¹⁰ Despite these measures, morbidity remains significant in CGD patients Patients may develop drug associated toxicity and suboptimal compliance, especially Patients may develop drug associated toxicity and suboptimal compliance, especially among adolescents and young adults, compromising the efficacy of prophylaxis measures For these reasons there is need for better and definitive therapies

The optimal treatment for most patients with severe primary immunodeficiencies (PIDs) is hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT) from an HLA-matched related donor (MRD).¹¹ Unfortunately, such donors are available for only a minority of patients. Matched unrelated donor (MUD) HSCT has been successfully used for other PIDs and phagocytic disorders (including leukocyte adhesion defect), with overall survival of about 80%. ^{12–14}

Unfortunately, these studies have also shown a high incidence of graft versus host disease (GvHD). ^{12–14}

Since most children with CGD lack a related donor, Soncini et al.¹⁵ described the European experience in a 10 patient CGD cohort, who received stem cells from an HLA-matched unrelated donor. They reported an overall survival of 90% with a 30% incidence of acute GvHD grade II, and 1 patient developing chronic GvHD. In this cohort, one patient developed graft failure and required a second transplant.¹⁵ Recent data from the European consortium (SCETIDE) described a total of 41 CGD patients transplanted with an overall survival of 81% at 5 years with the deaths occurring early in the first 6 month post transplant, verbal communication kindly given by Paul Landais and Nizar Mahlaoui (September 8, 2011). An unpublished survey of North American centers treating patients with CGD found that 59 patients hadundergone allogeneic transplantation with 71% survival outcome². We now report our single US center experience of treating 11 CGD patients with HLA-matched related and unrelated donors

METHODS

Patients

Eleven patients with CGD and history of significant morbidity with HLA-matched stem cell donors were eligible for HSCT according to a study approved by our Institutional Review Board (Table 1). CGD was confirmed by the absence of oxidase activity in neutrophils by dihydrorhodamine (DHR) oxidation analysis in all patients. Nine of these patients had X-linked CGD (by identification of a carrier mother and/or by gp91^{phox} mutation analysis); one girl had autosomal recessive CGD (p67^{phox}) and a mutation could not be identified for one girl (Table I). Likewise mutations could not be identified for three boys but are likely CYBB mutations as maternal oxidative burst studies suggested a carrier state for this mutation. Irrespective of the genetic mutations, all patients had very low stimulation indices at diagnosis, suggestive of high risk disease.²

All patients had at least one invasive infection of lung, liver, lymph node, blood, gastrointestinal tract, or bone, requiring prolonged intravenous antimicrobial therapy (Table 1). Moreover, by the parameter of intractable infections or steroid dependent chronic granulomatous disease , 70% of our patients had high risk disease at the time of transplantation. Three of 11 patients had required mechanical ventilation for respiratory failure. The mean age at transplantation was 3.8 years with a range of 11 months to 13 years.

Transplantation

Four of 11 patients received MRD SCT from 6/6 HLA-identical siblings. Seven patients received a 10/10 HLA-genoidentical graft from an unrelated donor without clinical evidence of CGD. All related donors had normal oxidative burst activity and no evidence of the carrier state. γ -IFN was discontinued in all patients 7 to 10 days prior to HSCT

All patients received a busulfan-based myeloblative conditioning regimen combined with cyclophosphamide and cytarabine for MRD transplant recipients or fludarabine for MUD transplant recipients. Busulfan (Bu) was administered on days –9 to –6 before

transplantation at a starting dose of 0.8-1mg/kg, and cyclophosphamide was administered at a dose of 45 mg/kg at days -3 and -2 for MRD and at a total dose of 50 mg/kg at days -5 to -2 for MUD recipients. Dosing of Bu was based upon actual weight unless actual weight exceeded ideal weight by 30%. For these patients, we calculated adjusted weight(ideal body weight plus 25%). Bu was administered intravenously every 6 hours for 16 doses. Blood samples were obtained with the first and ninth dose to modify the dose of Bu to an AUC of 900 – 1200 µmol/min/L. All patients received anticonvulsant therapy while receiving Bu. Cytarabine was administered at 2 g/m² for four doses on days -6 to -4 for MRD. Fludarabine was administered at 30 mg/m² at days -5 to -2 for MUD. All patients received alemtuzumab (anti-CD52) at 3mg (if <15kg), 5mg (if >15 kg but<30Kg) or 10mg (if >30kg) at days -5 to -2 to improve engraftment and decrease GvHD Additional GvHD prophylaxis consisted of cyclosporine A and prednisone in patients receiving a MRD graft and cyclosporine A and methotrexate in patients receiving a MUD graft. Bone marrow grafts had a median total nucleated cell dose of 6×10^8 /kg, with a range of 5.0×10^7 /kg $- 1.5 \times 10^{10}$ /kg.

Chimerism was established either by fluorescent in situ hibridization for sex chromosome or by short tandem repeats for allele DNA sequence. The presence of oxidase-positive neutrophils was detected by flow cytometry with the use of DHR oxidation assay and reported as geometric mean fluorescence or stimulation index (SI). Following HSCT, recovery of B and T cells was measured by flow cytometric analyses as described by Fleisher and Oliveira.¹⁷ Lymphoproliferative responses were measured using isolated mononuclear cells. These cells were cultured in micro well plates loaded with diluted mitogen or specific antigens. The phytohemaglutinin (PHA) and Concanavalin A (ConA) response were measured by ³H-thymidine incorporation. A PHA or ConA response was considered normal if 75,000 cpm ³H-thymidine incorporation. Following transplantation, we evaluated specific antigen responses to tetanus and candida in all patients. Specific antigen results were considered normal if the stimulation index was 2 or greater

Statistical analysis

The times to neutrophil engraftment and platelet engraftment were defined as the time from the transplantation to the time when the neutophil count reached 500cells/µl for three consecutive days and the time when the unsupported platelet count reached 20,000 cell/mm³, respectively. The cumulative probability for the times to neutrophil engraftment and platelet engraftment were estimated and plotted by the Kaplan-Meier method. The median times to engraftment were compared between MRD and MUD by the Wilcoxon method. The immune reconstitution data (CD3, CD4 T cell or PHA responses) were repeated measurements and analyzed by nonlinear mixed-effects models with autoregressive correlation of log 1. The patterns of immune reconstitution data over times suggest a nonlinear logistic growth model.¹⁸ The estimated curves fit the data reasonably well as shown in Figure 4. The times for the curves to hit a fixed boundary were estimated by the delta method and the difference between MRD and MUD were compared by the Wald asymptotic test.

RESULTS

Engraftment

A neutrophil count greater than 500cells/ μ l (Figure 1) was reached at a median of 18 days for the cohort with a median of 17 days (range, 13–24 days) and 18 days (range, 16–21 days) for MRD and MUD recipients, respectively (MRD vs. MUD, p=0.65). A platelet count greater than 20,000cells/mm³ (Figure 2) was reached at a median of 16 days for the cohort and at a median of 16 days (range, 14–22 days) and 21 days (range, 12–40 days) for MRD and MUD recipients, respectively (MRD vs. MUD, p=0.52). All patients achieved greater than 95% donor chimerism prior to day 100. Beyond day +100, donor chimerism for two MRD recipients declined, but stabilized at a mean of 70% at 22 and 59 months post HSCT. Donor-derived chimerism has remained stable in all patients with no further stem cell infusions required to improve engraftment, with a median follow up time of 4 years (range, 1 – 8 years).

Neutrophil oxidative burst activity post HSCT was assayed by DHR and was normal by day 100 for all patients. Figure 3 shows pre and post HSCT mean DHR stimulation indices (SI) for our cohort. All patients including those with mixed chimerism status post transplant had sustained normal DHR activity.

Acute GvHD grade I of the skin developed in 4 of 11 patients. Three of these patients received an unrelated product but all of them responded to topical steroids. No patient developed grade II or greater acute GvHD or chronic GvHD.

Clinical outcomes and adverse events

The conditioning regimen was well tolerated apart from one patient, who developed seizures during busulfan administration. The median busulfan AUC after the first dose for the group was 934 μ mol/min/L. Four patients needed dose adjustments (2 in the sibling donor and 2 in the unrelated donor group), in 3 of whom the dose was increased by 30%. A requirement for dose adjustment had no discernible effects on engraftment kinetics, GvHD or complications after transplant

One patient had a relapse of *Aspergillus* pneumonia prior to engraftment (patient #4, Table 1), developing bilateral pulmonary infiltrates, high fevers and impaired respiratory function. Treatment with amphotericin, echinocandin, and imidazole was combined with granulocyte infusions and additional donor CD34-selected cells, leading to complete and sustained pulmonary recovery. No other patient had serious infection or other grade 4 toxicities.

Immune reconstitution

The estimated time for CD3+ T cells reaching $300/\mu$ l was 114 days (95% CI, [44.6, 183.4]) for MRD, and 185.9 days (95% CI, [123.4, 248.4]) for MUD (p = [NS] 0.12). The estimated time for CD3+ T cells reaching $500/\mu$ l was 147.5 days (95% CI, [89.0, 206.0]) for MRD, and 225.3 days (95% CI, [168.9, 281.8]) for MUD (p = [NS] 0.13). The estimated time for CD4+ T cells reaching $300/\mu$ l was 81.2 days (95% CI, [-17.1, 179.4]) for MRD, and 215.1 days (95% CI, [123.4, 248.4]) for MUD (p = [NS] 0.09). The estimated time for CD4+ T cells

reaching 500/µl is 139.5 days (95% CI, [50.9, 228.1]) for MRD, and 291.3 days (95%, [194.8, 387.9]) for MUD (p = [NS] 0.12). The data and the estimated curves are shown in Figure 4 a–b. The function of these T cells was measured using the *in vitro* proliferation responses to mitogens (PHA) and specific antigens(tetanus). Responses to log counts per minute (cpm) of PHA at a concentration of 10ug/ml are shown in Figure 4c. The estimated time to normalization was 148.2 days (95% CI, [85.8, 210.5]) for MRD, and 169.7 days (95% CI, [108.9, 230.5]) for MUD (p = [NS] 0.96). Confidence intervals to indicate the variability of the T cell recovery and function are wide likely secondary to small sample size. Hence we cannot correlate cell numbers with strength of immune responses to ConA in addition to other immune parameters are shown in Table II and show normalization for the majority of patients at last follow up.

Survival, activity level and educational status

All patients are well with a mean follow up of 4 years (range, 1–8 years). Quality of life has improved for all patients, reaching normal activity without special care (Lansky score of 100%). All but one patient currently attends school (9 at elementary school, 1 at high school). One patient is receiving home schooling secondary to family social needs

DISCUSSION

The long-term survival of patients with CGD remains poor in spite of improvements in conventional therapies. Although gene therapy holds promise as a curative option, success has been limited with CGD patients losing gene-corrected cells within 6 months of treatment or developing myelodysplastic syndrome and acute myelogenous leukemia.^{20,22} Hence, HSCT currently remains the only curative treatment. To date HSCT has largely been recommended only to CGD patients with an HLA matched related donor who also had more than one life-threatening infection in the past or intractable infections, severe granulomatous disease with organ dysfunction or steroid-dependence, non-availability of specialist care, or non-compliance with antibiotic prophylaxis.¹⁶ We now report 100% survival for 11 patients undergoing HSCT, for whom 7 received grafts from matched unrelated donors. Stable engraftment with full donor chimerism was observed in nine of eleven patients with a median follow up time of 2.5 years (range; 1–9). There was no acute GvHD beyond grade I or chronic GvHD or graft failure and in all but one patient with recurrent aspergillosis, the HSCT was uneventful.

Seger et al. previously reported 85% overall survival in 27 CGD patients receiving a HSCT mainly consisting of genotypically identical related grafts $(n=25)^{22}$, while Soncini et al. reported survival in 9 of 10 European patients with CGD following MUD HSCT with myeloablative conditioning and standard aGvHD prophylaxis mainly consiting of cyclosporine and methotrexate with an incidence of grade II aGvHD of approximated 30%. ¹⁵

Our MUD conditioning regimen of busulfan, cyclophosphamide, fludarabine and alemtuzumab is a regimen that has been associated with high engraftment rates and a low risk of significant GvHD when no matched sibling is available and to be well tolerated when

used as conditioning for patients with primary immunodeficiencies. ²³ Incorporation of cytarabine as part of triple chemotherapy conditioning for primary immunodeficiencies in MRD has been used by our group for more than a decade. When combined with lower doses of cyclophosphamide and alemtuzumab (a humanized monoclonal antibody that eliminates cells expressing CD52, including T and B lymphocytes, eosinophils, monocytes, natural killer cells, and some dendritic cells), these agents have been well tolerated and produced a high level of engraftment and low GvHD in patients transplanted for non-malignant diseases. Because alemtuzumab given prior to transplantation remains at lytic levels in peripheral blood for over 21 days after administration, it produces depletion of both recipient and donor immune system cells, favoring engraftment and a low rate of GvHD, respectively. ^{24,25} Such immune depletion can be associated with a high level of post transplant infection. ^{25–27} In this series, we monitored viral reactivation routinely, and observed the expected rate. Reactivation was controlled with medical treatment where feasible (Table I) and no viral disease occurred

In this patient population our main goal is engrafment so alemtuzumab was not adjusted according to graft type to reduce the incidence of graft failure. To date we have not had any graft failure or graft rejection in our CGD population. We adjust alemtuzumab dosage according to graft type when transplant is used to treat patients with leukemias, since graft failure is less common in these heavily pre-treated patients We observed a faster immune recovery for CD4+ T cells compared to earlier reports of recovery after using alemtuzumab conditioning,^{24,25} perhaps because of lower dose used in our trial and younger age of our patient population. Although there was a trend for a more prompt CD3+ and CD4+ T cell recovery after transplant in the MRD group compared to the MUD group, this trend did not reach statistical significance. There was similar T cell function in both transplant groups measured by responses to PHA. Consistent with these observations, we observed no discernible increase in the incidence of infections in the MUD versus the MRD recipients. Immunoglobulin supplementation was suspended by 12 months post HSCT, and specific antibody response to vaccine challenge was documented for most patients. Although virusspecific cytotoxic T lymphocytes derived from the stem cell donor or a third party^{28, 29} may be of benefit for post transplant infections in intensely lymphodepleted patients, these cells were not required or used in this patient cohort

There is no reason to believe that the excellent outcome we observed was attributalble to inadvertent selection bias in the patients in terms of clinical severity or mutational status. The majority of patients were X-linked $gp91^{phox}$ with baseline DHR of less than 2 with high incidence of severe intractable infections and granulomas.

Our series reports the use of HLA-matched unrelated donors as an alternative stem cells ource, but umbilical cord blood or haploidentical donor sources may also be suited for individuals lacking a fully HLA-matched donor, and addition of alemtuzumab conditioning regimen may be beneficial in this setting as well. ²⁴ There has been a debate among clinical immunologists about whether to treat CGD patients with antimicrobial agents and preserve their lives or whether to pursue a more definitive mode of therapy with HCST. Previous concerns over the failure of HSCT for CGD other than from HLA-identical siblings have placed definitive therapy on hold, which encourage physicians to continue to treat the

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numerous and serious infection with appropriate antibiotics antifungal agents, and antiviral drugs. But these prolonged treatments are frequently insufficient to prevent infection of lymph nodes, lungs, and liver and often demand surgical removal of diseased tissue. In addition to the physical problems of such patients, CGD adolescents and young adults may decline strict adherence to drug therapies and often express giving up on life because of their inability to lead normal lives free of often express giving up on life because of their inability to lead normal lives free of frequent infections, clinic visits, and hospital admissions. The excellent outcome with low complication rates observed in our patient cohort supports the argument for early SCT in young CGD patients. While our report is of a single center retrospective study with a small number of patients and will clearly require confirmation in multicenter prospective studies, it is now our practice to consider HSCT (both MRD and MUD) after the first life threatening infection and prior to onset of end organ damage, allowing permanent cures of CGD to become more commonplace

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Abbreviations:

HSCT	Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant
MRD	Matched related donor
MUD	Matched unrelated donor
GvHD	Acute graft vs host disease
CGD	Chronic granulomatous disease

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Clinical Implications:

Matched unrelated donors have been proven to be as good as matched related donors in HSCT, broadening the choice of definitive therapy for all patients with CGD.

Capsule summary:

Matched unrelated donor and matched related donor HSCT have comparable outcomes in patients with CGD and should be considered prior to the onset of end organ damage.

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Figure 1. Neutrophil engraftment.

Cumulative incidence of neutrophil engraftment(defined as a neutrophil count greater than 500/ul) occurred at a median time of 18 days (range, 13–24).

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Figure 2. Platelet engraftment.

Cumulative incidence of platelet engraftment(defined as a platelet count greater than 20,000 per cubic millimeter) occurred at a median time of 16 days (range, 12–40).

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Figure 3. Neutrophil oxidative burst by DHR.

Pre-HSCT mean stimulation indices (SI) averaged less than 2 prior to HSCT and corrected to and were sustained normal following HSCT for all patients.



Figure 4. Immuno reconstituion.

a. CD3 T cell and b. CD4 T cell absolute number recovery, and c. function measured by proliferative responses to mitogen(PHA 10 μ g/mL) after HSCT.

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Table 1.

Patient characteristics of 11 children with CGD

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Outcome Post-HSCT	-Mixed chimerism	-Skin grade 1 aGvHD	-Adenovirus in plasma (resolved w/o intervention)	-CMV reactivation (Rx meds) -Aspergillus Pneumonia	-Skin grade 1 aGvHD	-EBV reactivation (resolved w/o intervention)	-AIHA tx with steroids po (14 months post HSCT)	-CMV reactivation (Meds RX) -Mixed Chimerism
HSCT Type/ Risk	MRD	MUD	MRD *	MUD * -	MUD	MUD * -	MUD *-	MRD *
Comorbidities	Molluscum ² , URTI associated wheezing ²	Asthma ^{a,b} , Pulmonary nodules ^{a,b}	Iron deficiency anemia ^a , Transaminitis ^a , Chronic lung cysts ^{a,b}	G tube for poor feeding ^a , Chronic pulmonary nodules ^{a,b} , Asthma ^{a,b}	Perirectal abcesses ^a , Chronic diarrhea ^a	Neonatal HIV exposure ^a , Chronic cystic lung disease ^{a,b}	Weakness ² , Voriconazole sensitivity ² , Chronic lung disease ^{a, b}	Lymphadenitis a , Perirectal abcess a , Transaminitis a
Pre-HSCT Infections (isolation;age at diagnosis)	<i>S. aureus</i> Otitis (Culture; 2 yrs)	Burkholderia cepacia Pneumonia (Lung bx; 11 mos)	<i>Serratia</i> <i>Marcescens</i> Osteomyelitis (Bone aspirate; 8 mos)	Aspergillus species Pneumonia (Lung biopsy; 5 years)	S. aureus Abcess (Surgical wound I&D 6 mos)	B. cepacia Pneumonia (Lung biopsy; 5 yrs) Aspergillus niger Pneumonia (Lung biopsy; 5.5 yrs)	<i>B. cepacia</i> Osteomyelitis, Bacteremia (Bone I&D 4.5 yrs)	Candida albicans Abcess & Bacteremia (Surgical I&D 1 vr)
Stimulation Index (SI) at dx	2	2	-	1	1	3	1	2
Genetics	X-linked gp91 ^{phox}	X-linked gp91 ^{phox}	AR gp67p ^{hox}	X-linked gp91 ^{phox}	X-linked gp91 ^{phox}	AR (no molecular testing)2	X-linked gp91 ^{phox}	X-linked (no molecular testing)2
Ethnicity 1	С	С	Н	H	Н	V	С	H
Gender	М	М	Σ.	М	W	Н	М	М
Age at HSCT	30 mos	45 mos	41 mos	8.3 years	11 mos	6.4 years	5.9 years	18 mos
Age at CGD diagnosis (dx)	2 weeks	14 months	8 months	36 months	6 months	6 weeks	4.5 years	2.5 months
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Outcome Post-HSCT	-Skin grade 1 aGvHD	-Skin grade 1 aGvHD Busulfan Fusulfan related seizures -Adenovirus of stool (resolved w/o intervention)	-Hashimoto's Thyroiditis (17 months post HSCT)
HSCT Type/ Risk	DUM	MRD *	U UM * -
Comorbidities	Hearing loss ^{ab} , Eosinophilic cystitis ^{a} , Drug induced lupus ^{a}	CGD colitis ^{<i>a</i>} , Transaminitis ^{<i>a</i>} , Asthma ^{<i>a</i>,<i>b</i>}	Perirectal abcess ^{a} , Recurrent lymph- adenitis ^{a} , Chronic pulmonary nodules ^{a, b}
Pre-HSCT Infections (isolation;age at diagnosis)	<i>B. gladioli</i> Osteomyeletis (Bone biopsy; 5.8yrs)	Serratia marcescens Liver Abcess (Liver biopsy; 2 weeks) Aspergilus fumigatus Pneumonia (Lung biopsy;1 mo)	<i>Presumed</i> <i>Aspergillus</i> Pneumonia (Lung biopsy with hyphae; 8 yrs); <i>S.Aureus</i> Perirectal Abces (Surgical I&D 10 yrs)
Stimulation Index (SI) at dx	1	1	1
Genetics	X-linked (no molecular testing)2	X-linked gp91p ^{hox}	X-linked (negative molecular testing, negative sequencing)2
Ethnicity 1	С	c	C
Gender	W	W	M
Age at HSCT	7.4 years	50 mos	13 years
Age at CGD diagnosis (dx)	9 months	3 weeks	2.5 months
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1: C =Caucasian, H= Hispanic, A=African American

2: Pt #6 had no molecular testing and no family history of CGD. Pts # 8, 9, 11 all had mothers with NBT findings consistent with X-linked carrier status with 2 populations of granulocytes (normal and poor oxidative burst). Pt#9 with younger brother with demise at 1 year of age with B. cepacia and granulomas in liver/lungs. Pt#11 with negative CYBB/CYBA mutations and full sequencing did not identify a known CGD associated mutation.

^aComorbidities pre HSCT

 $b_{\rm Comorbidities post HSCT}$

 $_{\star}^{*}$ High risk patients (ongoing treatement/prophylaxis for known infections and/or significant pulmonary inflammation by imaging: ongoing granulomas)

URTI (Upper Respiratory Tract Infection)

AIHA (Autoimmune Hemolytic Anemia)

Immune Parameters at last follow up

Table. 2

Pt	Age at HSCT	Age at F/U	ANC	CD13	CD4 (abs#)	CD19 (abs#)	PHA ⁺ 10ug/ml	ConA ⁺ 10ug/ml	Candida (SI)	Tetanus (SI)
1	30 mo	5 yrs	2262	1.647 (1.4–3.7)	709 (0.7–2.2)	538 (0.4–1.4)	297328	267247	4516	30944
5	45 mo	8 yrs	1367	1.789 (1.2-2.6)	810 (0.65–1.5)	0.635 (0.2–.86)	304466	313285	2586	43710
3	41 mo	6 yrs	2690	$ \frac{1.874}{(1.4-3.7)} $	1.192 (0.7–2.2)	2.121 (0.4–1.4)	426433	324072	N/A	763
4	8.3 yrs	10 yrs	2650	1.034 (1.2–2.6)	0.423 (0.65 -1.5)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.103\\ (0.4-1.4) \end{array}$	152145	N/A	N/A	V/N
5	11 mo	3 yrs	4080	2.531 (1.4–3.7)	1.554 (0.7-2.2)	0.446 (0.4-1.4)	309721	113562	5931	749
6	6.4 yrs	9 yrs	10301	$ \frac{1.801}{(1.4-3.7)} $	0.959 (0.65 -1.5)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.773\\ (0.4-1.4) \end{array}$	166508	141519	11093	61579
7	5.9 yrs	6 yrs	1820	0.367^{**} (1.4–3.7)	0.222^{**} (0.7–2.2)	0.403 (0.4-1.4)	306364	242380	770	118
8	18 mo	5 yrs	2690	2.336 (1.4–3.7)	1.164 (0.7–2.2)	1.267 (0.4–1.4)	74320	80528	281	304
9	7.4 yrs	10 yrs	3040	0.507 (1.2–2.6)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.288\\ (0.65{-}1.5) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.879 \\ (0.4-1.4) \end{array}$	118145	50525	247	14350
10	50 mo	9 yrs	2770	1.326 (1.2-2.6)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.916 \\ (0.65 - 1.5) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.781 \\ (0.4 - 1.4) \end{array}$	253455	83238	2342	24138
11	13 yrs	15 yrs	2429	1054 (1-2.2)	0.645 (0.5 -1.3)	0.679 (0.16)	277627	178714	N/A	N/A
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** studies performed while on steroids for AIHA (Autoimmune hemolytic anemia).

 $\overset{+}{}_{\mathrm{Proliferation}}$ responses expressed as log of counts per minute (cpm)