## **1** Supplemental Material

## 2 Supplemental Materials and Methods:

## 3 Cell lines

The MM cell line MM1.S, mantle cell lymphoma cell line JeKo-1, T cell lymphoma cell 4 line Jurkat, chronic myelogenous leukemia cell line K562, and fibroblast cell line WI- $\mathbf{5}$ 6 38 were purchased from ATCC, Manassas, VA, USA, and the MM cell line OPM-2 was purchased from DSMZ, Braunschweig, Germany. The MM cell line ALMC-2 was gifted 7by Dr. Diane Jelinek. The mouse melanoma cell line B16 was gifted by Dr. Michael 8 9 Barry. These cell lines were transduced with a luciferase-ZsGreen lentivirus (Addgene, 10 Cambridge, MA, USA) and sorted to 100% purity, as previously described<sup>1,2</sup>. Cell lines were cultured in R10 medium made with Roswell Park Memorial Institute (RPMI) 1640 11 (Gibco, Gaithersburg, MD, USA), 10% Fetal Bovine Serum (FBS, Sigma, St. Louis, 12MO, USA), and 1% Penicillin-Streptomycin-Glutamine (Gibco, Gaithersburg, MD, 13USA). Flow cytometric analysis of SLAMF7 expression on MM1.S, OPM-2, ALMC-2 14cells showed similar pattern (Supplemental Figure S13). All cell lines used were 1516regularly tested negative for mycoplasma contamination throughout the whole 17duration of this study.

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## 19 Multi-parametric flow cytometry

Anti-human antibodies were purchased from Biolegend, eBioscience, or BD
Biosciences (San Diego, CA, USA). The preparation of samples for flow cytometry
was described previously<sup>2</sup>. Countbright beads (Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA, USA) were
used for cell number quantitation, as previously described<sup>2</sup>.

24	A goat anti-mouse F(ab') antibody (Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA, USA) was used for
25	detecting a single transduced BCMA, SLAMF7, or FAP CAR. To assess dual
26	transduced CARs, labelled proteins for the specific CAR were used. For BCMA CAR,
27	human BCMA/TNFRSF17 protein, Fc Tag (BC7-H5254-100ug, ACRO Biosysytems,
28	Newark, DE) was used for primary staining, followed by Alexa Fluor 647-conjugated
29	anti-human IgG Fc antibody (109-606-170, Jackson ImmunoResearch, West Grove,
30	PA). For SLAMF7 CAR and FAP CAR staining, human SLAMF7/CRACC/CD319
31	protein, His Tag (SL7-H5225-100ug, ACRO Biosystems, Newark, DE) or
32	recombinant human FAP, His tagged (FAP-1141H, Creative BioMart, Shirley, NY)
33	was used for primary staining, respectively, followed by FITC conjugated anti-6X His
34	tag antibody (Cambridge, CB2 0AX, UK). The following antibodies were also used:
35	anti-human CD45 (clone HI30) BV421 (cat# 304032, BioLegend, San Diego, CA,
36	USA), anti-mouse CD45 (clone 30-F11) APC- eFluor 780 (cat# 103116, BioLegend,
37	San Diego, CA, USA), CD3 (clone UCHT1) PE-Cy7 (cat# 300420, BioLegend, San
38	Diego, CA, USA), CD3 (clone UCHT1) APC (cat# 17-0038-42, eBiosciences, San
39	Diego, CA, USA), and CD3 (clone SK7) APC-H7 (cat# 560176, BD Pharmingen, San
40	Diego, CA, USA), CD107a (clone H4A3) FITC (cat# 555800, BD Pharmingen, San
41	Diego, CA, USA), IL-2 (clone 5344.111) PE-CF594 (cat# 562384, BD Pharmingen,
42	San Diego, CA, USA), GM-CSF (clone BVD2-21C11) BV421 (cat# 562930, BD
43	Pharmingen, San Diego, CA, USA), IFN-γ (clone 4S.B3) APC-eFluor 780 (cat# 47-
44	7319-42, Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA, USA), MIP1- $\beta$ (clone D21-1351) PE-Cy7 (cat#
45	560687, BD Pharmingen, San Diego, CA, USA), BCMA (clone 19F2) PE-Cy7 (cat#
46	357507, BioLegend, San Diego, CA, USA), SLAMF7 (clone 162) PE (cat# 12-2229-

47	42, Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA, USA), SLAMF7 (clone 162) APC (cat# 331809,
48	BioLegend, San Diego, CA, USA), FAP (clone 427819) PE (cat# FAB3715P-025,
49	R&D Systems, Minneapolis, MN, USA), SMA (clone 1A4) APC (cat# IC1420A, R&D
50	Systems, Minneapolis, MN, USA), human CD45 (clone 2D1) PerCP (cat# 340665,
51	BD Pharmingen, San Diego, CA, USA), PD-1 (clone EH12.2H7) BV421 (cat#
52	329920, BioLegend, San Diego, CA, USA), PD-L1 (clone 29E.2A3) BV421 (cat#
53	329714, BioLegend, San Diego, CA, USA). For murine FAP staining, rat anti-mouse
54	FAP (clone 983802) (cat# MAB9727, R&D Systems, Minneapolis, MN, USA),
55	followed by phycoerythrin-conjugated anti-rat IgG secondary antibody (cat# F0105B,
56	R&D Systems, Minneapolis, MN, USA). For murine SLAMF7 staining, rat anti-mouse
57	SLAMF7 (clone 983802) (cat# MAB46281 , R&D Systems, Minneapolis, MN, USA),
58	followed by phycoerythrin-conjugated anti-rat IgG secondary antibody.Flow
59	cytometry was performed on three-laser CytoFLEX (Beckman Coulter, Chaska, MN,
60	USA). All analyses were performed using FlowJo X10.0.7r2 software (Ashland, OR,
61	USA).

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## 63 Bone marrow-derived mesenchymal stem cells (BM-MSCs)

BM-MSCs were obtained under a Mayo Clinic IRB approved protocol (IRB# 106200). Whole normal bone marrow aspirates from patients with nonmalignant disease
which requires an orthopedic procedure (e.g. hip replacement) resulting in waste of
normal bone marrow. Samples are only identified with a laboratory assigned
sequence number. Whole bone marrow aspirates were first filtered through a 70 µm
nylon cell strainer (Falcon/Corning Inc., cat.# 352350). To lyse the red blood cells

(RBCs), ACK lyse buffer was added to the bone marrow samples. MEM-alpha
 medium was used to culture bone marrow samples. Once confluent, supernatant
 was discarded, and adherent cells were trypsinized and cryopreserved.

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## 74 Primary cells and CART cells

The use of recombinant DNA in the laboratory was approved by the Mayo Clinic 75Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC), IBC number HIP00000252.20. Peripheral 76blood mononuclear cells (PBMC) were isolated from de-identified normal donor 77blood apheresis cones obtained under a Mayo Clinic IRB approved protocol, using 78SepMate tubes (STEMCELL Technologies, Vancouver, Canada). T cells were 79separated with negative selection magnetic beads using EasySep<sup>™</sup> Human T Cell 80 Isolation Kit (STEMCELL Technologies). Second generation BCMA, SLAMF7, or 81 FAP CAR constructs were synthesized de novo (IDT, Coralville, IA, USA) and cloned 82 into a third-generation lentivirus under the control of the EF-1α promotor. Several 83 constructs were synthesized using different co-stimulation as indicated below and in 84 85 the described specific experiments. The BCMA CAR construct (C11D5.3-41BBz) included 4-1BB costimulation and a single chain variable fragment (scFv) derived 86 from an anti-human BCMA antibody clone C11D5.3<sup>3</sup>. The SLAMF7 CAR construct 87 (Luc90-CD28z) included CD28 costimulation and an scFv derived from a mouse 88 anti-human SLAMF7 antibody clone Luc90<sup>4,5</sup>. The FAP CAR construct (FAP05-89 41BBz) included 4-1BB costimulation and an scFv derived from anti-FAP clone FAP-90 05. These constructs are presented in Supplemental Figure S14A. BCMA, SLAMF7, 91 or FAP CART cells were then generated through the lentiviral transduction of normal 92

93	donor T cells. The generation of lentiviral particles was described previously <sup>2</sup> . The
94	titers and subsequently multiplicity of infection (MOI) were analyzed and calculated
95	by flow cytometry as described previously <sup>2</sup> . T cells isolated from normal donors were
96	stimulated using Cell Therapy Systems Dynabeads CD3/CD28 (Life Technologies,
97	Oslo, Norway) at a 1:3 ratio (cells:beads) and then transduced 24 hours after
98	stimulation with lentivirus particles at a MOI of 5.0. Magnetic bead removal and the
99	evaluation of CAR expression on T cells by flow cytometry were performed on day 6.
100	The representative flow plots of CART cells are shown in Supplemental Figure
101	S14B. CART cells were harvested and cryopreserved on day 8 for future
102	experiments. CART cells were thawed and rested in T cell medium 6-12 hours prior
103	to their use in experiments, as specified in each experiment.
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105	RNA isolation and reverse transcription-quantitative polymerase chain
106	reaction (RT-qPCR)

- 107 Total RNAs were extracted with QIAzol lysis reagent (Qiagen, Hilden, Germany) and
- 108 miRNeasy Micro Kit Reagent (Qiagen) according to the manufacturer's protocol. RT-
- 109 qPCR analysis of BCMA, SLAMF7, and FAP was performed with 1 µg of total RNA
- and iScript Advanced cDNA Synthesis Kit for RT-qPCR (Bio-Rad, Hercules,
- 111 California, USA). The primer sequences used were as follows: BCMA forward primer,
- 112 5'-TGTTCTTCTAATACTCCTCCT-3' and reverse primer, 5'-
- 113 AACTCGTCCTTTAATGGTTC-3'; SLAMF7 forward primer, 5'-
- 114 AGCAGCCCTCCACCCAGGAG-3' and reverse primer, 5'-
- 115 AGGGCCTTCCAGGTATAAATCAC-3'; and FAP forward primer, 5'-

- 116 GGAAGTGCCTGTTCCAGCAATG-3' and reverse primer, 5'-
- 117 TGTCTGCCAGTCTTCCCTGAAG-3'. Primers specific for TBP forward, 5'-
- 118 GCCAGCTTCGGAGAGTTCTGGGATT-3' and reverse, 5'-
- 119 CGGGCACGAAGTGCAATGGTCTTTA-3'). RT-qPCR was performed in an S1000
- 120 Thermal Cycler (Bio-Rad). PCR conditions consisted of the following: 95°C for 3 min
- 121 for denaturation; 95°C for 30 sec for annealing; and 62°C for 20 sec for extension,
- 122 for 49 cycles. The threshold cycle for each sample was selected from the linear
- range and converted to a starting quantity by interpolation from a standard curve
- 124 generated on the same plate for each set of primers. The BCMA, SLAMF7, and FAP
- messenger (m) RNA levels were normalized for each well to the TBP mRNA levels using the  $2^{-\Delta\Delta Cq}$  method.
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## 128 Immunohistochemistry

The bone marrow samples were harvested, fixed and embedded in paraffin. The 129blocks were sliced into 5 mm sections and then dewaxed by zylene. The slides were 130131dehydrated using increasing concentrations of alcohol. The sections were immunostained with primary antibodies: anti-CD3 (clone LN10, Leica Biosystems, 132Buffalo Grove, IL), anti-CD138 (clone MI15, Leica Biosystems), anti-FSP-1 (clone 13315E2E2, Millipore Sigma) followed by reaction with BOND Polymer Refine Detection 134Kit (Leica Biosystems). Images were taken of at least three randomly selected fields 135per sample. Percentage of FSP-1-positive area by calculating the ratio of positive 136staining area to total area using ImageJ software (National Institute of Health). 137

## 138 Statistics

139	Prism Graph Pad (La Jolla, CA, USA) and Microsoft Excel (Microsoft, Redmond,
140	WA, USA) were used to analyze the experimental data. The high cytokine
141	concentrations in the heat map were normalized to "1" and low concentrations
142	normalized to "0" via Prism. Statistical tests are described in the figure legends.
143	Briefly, normally distributed data were tested by one- and two-way analysis of
144	variance (ANOVA) followed by Dunnett's multiple comparisons test, and unpaired
145	and paired two-sample Student's <i>t</i> -test or Mann–Whitney U test for two-group
146	comparisons. Log-rank test was used to test the hypotheses for in vivo survival.

## 147 Supplemental Figure Legends

## Supplemental Figure S1 | Potent anti-tumor activity of BCMA-CART cells against 148149BCMA expressing cells in vitro. A, BCMA-CART-cells were co-cultured at different E:T ratios with luciferase<sup>+</sup> MM1.S. At 24 hours, cell killing was assessed by 150luminescence relative to controls (\*\*\*\* p<0.0001, two-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates). 151**B**, CFSE-labeled BCMA-CART were co-cultured with lethally irradiated MM1.S for 5 152days. Cells were then analyzed for CFSE dilution to detect cell proliferation, and 153absolute number of CART cells was counted by flow cytometry (5 ng/mL phorbol 12-154myristate 13-acetate (PMA) and 0.1 µg/mL ionomycin stimulation was used as a 155positive control; n=3, 2 replicates). C, BCMA-CART-cells exhibited more antigen-156specific proliferation compared to untransduced T cells (UTD). BCMA-CART or UTD 157derived from the same donor were co-cultured with lethally irradiated MM1.S for 5 158days. Antigen-specific proliferation was measured by flow cytometry after 5 days using 159absolute counts with counting beads. **D**, BCMA-CART or UTD were co-cultured with 160 lethally irradiated K562, MM1.S, or OPM-2 cells for 5 days. Absolute number of T cells 161were counted via flow cytometry (mean and SEM, \*\*\*\* p<0.0001, one-way ANOVA; 162163n=3, 2 replicates). E, BCMA-CART cell degranulation and cytokine release assay. BCMA-CART degranulation assay and cytokine production. BCMA-CART or UTD 164were co-cultured with MM1.S for 4 hours. Medium was used as a negative control 165(mean and SEM, \*\*\*\*p<0.0001, \*\*p<0.005, one-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates). F, 166Representative flow plots of BCMA-CART or UTD CD107a degranulation and 167intracellular cytokine assays. 168

Supplemental Figure S2 | Potent anti-tumor activity of BCMA-CART-cells against 169BCMA-expressing cells in vivo. A, Experimental schema of BCMA-CART-cells in 170MM xenograft model. NSG mice were engrafted with luciferase<sup>+</sup>OPM-2 (1x10<sup>6</sup> 171cells/mouse, IV, 6 mice per group). On day 28, mice were randomized according to 172tumor burden, which was accessed by BLI, to receive 1x10<sup>6</sup> UTD, 1x10<sup>6</sup> BCMA-CART-173cells, 0.5x10<sup>6</sup> BCMA-CART-cells, or 0.25x10<sup>6</sup> BCMA-CART-cells. **B**, BLI curve of *in* 174vivo BCMA-CART-cell dose-finding assay. C-D, Anti-myeloma activity of BCMA-175CART-cells in OPM-2 xenograft mice, which was shown by bioluminescence imaging 176177(mean and SEM, \*\*p=0.006 at day 21, unpaired, two-sided, Student's t-test). E, Kaplan-Meir survival curve is shown [hazard ratio = 0.03320; 95% confidence interval 178(CI) = 0.004605 to 0.2393, \*\*\*p=0.0007, log-rank test]. F, Immunohistochemical 179analysis of BM samples harvested from OPM-2 xenograft mice treated with BCMA-180 CART-cells (magnification 10). **G**, Immunohistochemical analysis of bone marrow from 181OPM-2 xenograft models, which were treated with UTD (H&E, upper left and right, 182magnification 10 and 40, respectively. CD138, lower left, magnification 10), and FSP-1831 (lower right) staining revealed the absence of BM-CAFs in this model. 184

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Supplemental Figure S3 | Bone marrow-derived cancer-associated fibroblasts
 (BM-CAFs) accelerate MM1.S cell growth *in vivo*. NSG mice were intravenously
 injected with 1x10<sup>6</sup> of luciferase<sup>+</sup> MM1.S cells or in combination with 1x10<sup>6</sup> of BM CAFs. Tumor growth was assessed with a bioluminescence imager (mean and SEM,
 \*\*\*\* p<0.0001, two-way ANOVA; n=3).</li>

Supplemental Figure S4 | BM-CAFs inhibit BCMA-CART effector functions. A, 192CFSE-labeled BCMA-CART or UTD were co-cultured with lethally irradiated 193BCMA<sup>+</sup>SLAMF7<sup>+</sup>MM1.S and BM-CAFs for 5 days (mean and SEM, \*\*\*\*p<0.0001, two-194way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates). B, Antigen-specific BCMA-CART CD107a 195degranulation assay in the presence of BM-CAFs. OPM-2 cells were used as a 196 197stimulator (\*\*p<0.01, unpaired, two-sided, Student's t-test; n=3, 2 replicates). C, CTLA-4 expression on BCMA-CART in the presence or absence of CAFs (Student's t-test; 198n=3, 2 replicates). **D**, Representative flow plots of surface PD-1 expression on BCMA-199200CART cells when co-cultured with OPM-2 (upper panels) or MM1.S (lower panels) in the presence or absence of CAFs. 201

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Supplemental Figure S5 | Bone barrow MSCs derived from healthy donor do not inhibit BCMA-CART proliferation. BCMA-CART cells were co-cultured with lethally irradiated BCMA<sup>+</sup>SLAMF7<sup>+</sup>MM1.S (*left*) or BCMA<sup>+</sup>SLAMF7<sup>+</sup>OPM-2 (*right*) in the presence or absence of MSCs for 5 days. Absolute number of CD3<sup>+</sup> T cells were counted via flow cytometer (mean and SEM, t-test; n=6, 2 replicates).

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## Supplemental Figure S6 | Actual values of cytokines from the multiplex assay. Cytokines were analyzed by multiplex using supernatant from the co-culture of BCMACART and irradiated MM1.S with or without BM-CAFs (mean and SEM, \*p<0.05,</li> \*\*p<0.01, \*\*\*\*p<0.0001, Student's t-test; n=3, 2 replicates).</li>

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214 Supplemental Figure S7 | Inhibitory cytokines and growth factors were

increased, and effector cytokines were decreased in the presence of BM-CAFs.
BCMA-CART-cells were co-cultured with irradiated OPM-2 (A) or ALMC-2 (B) for 3
days and supernatants were analyzed via multiplex. Bar graphs represent the raw
values of cytokines (n.s. not significant, \*p<0.05, \*\*p<0.01, \*\*\*p<0.005, unpaired, two-</li>
sided, Student's t-test; n=3 experiments, 2 replicates).

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Supplemental Figure S8 | TGF- $\beta$  depletion does not overcome BM-CAF induced impairment of BCMA CART cytotoxicity. BCMA-CART were co-cultured with MM1.S and BM-CAFs in the presence or absence of anti TGF- $\beta$  antibody. At 24 hours, cytotoxicity was assessed by luminescence relative to controls (\*\*\* p<0.001, two-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates).

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Supplemental Figure S9 | Flow cytometric gating for assessment of inhibitory
receptor-ligand expression. BCMA-CART were co-cultured with lethally irradiated
MM1.S and BM-CAFs. Cells were gated on FSC/SCC followed by singlet and live cell
discrimination. CD3, CD38, CD45, and FSP-1 were used to distinguish CAFs from
CART-cells. The surface PD-L1 or PD-L2 expression on BM-CAFs were assessed by
flow cytometry. Isotype controls are shown as gray peaks.

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Supplemental Figure S10 | CAF inhibition of BCMA-CART-cell proliferation
cannot be reversed by blocking PD-1/PD-L1 axis and/or TGF-β neutralization.
BCMA-CART cells were co-cultured with lethally irradiated OPM-2 (A) or MM1.S (B)
in the presence or absence of CAFs for 5 days. PD-L1 blocking antibody (20 µg/mL)

and/or TGF- $\beta$  neutralizing antibody (1 µg/mL) were also added to some conditions. Absolute number of CD3<sup>+</sup> T cells were assessed by flow cytometry on day 5 (mean and SEM, \*p<0.05, \*\*p<0.001, t-test; n=3, 2 replicates).

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Supplemental Figure S11 | Flow cytometry gating for BM-CAFs and CD45 242negative fraction derived from bone marrow of patients with multiple myeloma. 243A, Gating of BM-CAFs samples from patients with MM. The bone marrow was first 244isolated with CD138<sup>+</sup> microbeads. Then, CD138<sup>-</sup> fraction was cultured for two weeks 245246and CAFs were isolated with anti-fibroblasts microbeads. BM-CAFs were defined as 247the live, CD45<sup>-</sup>CD38<sup>-</sup>FSP-1<sup>+</sup> fraction. **B**, Representative flow plots of BM-CAFs. Isotype control of IgG1-APC and IgG1-PE were used for left flow plots. SLAMF7-APC 248and FAP-PE were used for right flow plots. 249

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Supplemental Figure S12 | Flow cytometric analysis for BM-MSCs and qPCR analysis of BM-MSCs and BM-CAFs. A, Flow cytometric analysis for BM-MSCs derived from healthy donor. MSCs were defined as CD38<sup>-</sup>, CD45<sup>-</sup>, and FSP<sup>+</sup> cells. Grey peaks are fluorescence minus one (FMO) controls. Purple peaks are the stained samples. Representative histograms are shown; n=3. **B**, qPCR analysis for BM-MSC derived from healthy donors and BM-CAFs from MM patients (\*\* p<0.01, \*\*\*\* p<0.0001, Student's t-test; n=3, 3 replicates).

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Supplemental Figure S13 | Flow cytometric analysis of BCMA, SLAMF7, and FAP
 expression on OPM-2, MM1.S, and ALMC-2 cells. Grey peaks represent the isotype

controls.

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263Supplemental Figure S14| Constructs of the BCMA-, SLAMF7-, and FAP-CAR vector, and surface CAR expression on human CD3 T-cells. A, Schematic 264representation of the BCMA-, SLAMF7-, and FAP-CAR constructs. BCMA-CAR 265consisted of anti-BCMA single chain variable fragment (scFv) linked to CD3 zeta and 266a 4-1BB costimulatory domain. H, hinge; TM, transmembrane. SLAMF7-CAR 267consisted of anti-SLAMF7 scFv linked to CD3 zeta and a CD28 costimulatory domain. 268FAP-CAR consisted of anti-FAP scFv linked to CD3 zeta and a 4-1BB costimulatory 269domain. **B**, Representative flow plots of UTDs, BCMA-, SLAMF7-, and FAP-CART. 270Goat anti-mouse F(ab')2 antibody (GAM) was used with live/dead aqua to detect CAR 271expression on CART-cells. Cells were gated on FSC/SSC followed by singlet 272discrimination and live cells. Negative gates for CAR expression were set based on 273untransduced (UTD) T cells. 274

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Supplemental Figure S15 | Representative flow plots of FAP-CART
degranulation assay. FAP-CART stimulated with FAP<sup>+</sup>WI-38 or FAP<sup>-</sup>JeKo-1 cells.
CD3 was used to distinguish CART-cells from target cells.

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Supplemental Figure S16 | Representative flow plots of SLAMF7-CART-cell
 degranulation assay. SLAMF7-CART-cells stimulated with SLAMF7<sup>+</sup>MM1.S or
 SLAMF7<sup>-</sup>Jurkat cells. CD3 was used to distinguish CART-cells from target cells.

Supplemental Figure S17 | SLAMF7- or FAP-CART cytotoxicity assay against BM-CAFs. SLAMF7- or FAP-CART were co-cultured with BM-CAFs at 1:1 ratio. At 24 hours, cytotoxicity was assessed relative to controls. CD105 and CD3 were used to differentiate CAF and T cells (mean and SEM, \*\* p<0.01, \*\*\* p<0.001, one-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates).

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Supplemental Figure S18 | SLAMF7 or FAP-CART inhibit CAF growth in vivo. A, 290Experimental schema. Four weeks after the injection of 1x10<sup>6</sup> luciferase positive OPM-2912 and 1x10<sup>6</sup> BM-CAFs, mice were randomized into two groups: 1) SLAMF7-CART or 2922) FAP-CART. B, Tumor burden was assessed by BLI curve (mean and SEM, two-293way ANOVA; n=3). **C**, Mice were euthanized when they reached an endpoint due to 294the high tumor load. Bone marrow was harvested and immunohistochemical staining 295was performed (H&E magnification 10, CD138 magnification 10, and FSP-1 296magnification 20). 297

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Supplemental Figure S19 | BCMA-, dual BCMA-SLAMF7-, or BCMA-FAP-CART degranulation and intracytoplasmic cytokine assay. CART were co-cultured with OPM-2 and BM-CAFs for 4 hours and stained for CD107a and intracytoplasmic cytokines (mean and SEM, \*\*\*\*p<0.0001, \*\*\*p<0.001, \*\*p<0.01, one-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates).

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Supplemental Figure S20 | Cytokine and chemokine analysis of BCMA- or dual
 CART in the presence of BM-CAFs. A and B, BCMA-, dual BCMA-SLAMF7- or

BCMA-FAP-CART were co-cultured with irradiated MM1.S (A) or OPM-2 (B) for 3 days in the presence of BM-CAFs and supernatant were analyzed for cytokines using multiplex (mean and SEM\*p<0.05, \*\*p<0.005, \*\*\*p<0.0005, \*\*\*\*p<0.0001, one-way ANOVA; n=2, 2 replicates).

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Supplemental Figure S21 | Anti-tumor efficacy of BCMA- and dual BCMA-312SLAMF7-CART against OPM-2 and MM1.S cells in vitro and in vivo. A and B, 313BCMA or BCMA-CS1 CART cells equally lysed OPM-2 cells (A) or MM1.S cells (B) 314315within 24 hours (two-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates). C and D, CART CD107a degranulation assay upon stimulation of OPM-2 (C) or MM1.S (D) cells (mean and 316 SEM, \* p<0.05, \*\* p<0.01, \*\*\* p<0.001, \*\*\*\* p<0.0001, one-way ANOVA), n=3, 2 317replicates. E-G, The head-to-head comparison of single BCMA-CART and dual 318BCMA-SLAMF7-CART in an OPM-2 xenograft mouse model. NSG mice were injected 319 with 1x10<sup>6</sup> of luciferase<sup>+</sup> OPM-2 cells on day -28. On day -1, tumor burden was 320 assessed with bioluminescence imaging (BLI) and mice were randomized according 321to the tumor burden. On day 0, mice received 1x10<sup>6</sup> of 1) UTD, 2) BCMA-CART, or 3) 322BCMA-SLAMF7-CART (mean and SEM, \* p<0.05 at day 13, two-way ANOVA; n=5 per 323group). G, Kaplan-Meier curve of OPM-2 xenograft mouse model is shown [BCMA-324CART vs. BCMA-SLAMF7-CART hazard ratio = 0.0630; 95% confidence interval (CI) 325= 0.005903-0.6722, \*p=0.05]. 326

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Supplemental Figure S22 | Dual BCMA-SLAMF7 targeting CART cells overcome
 BM-CAF-induced impairment of BCMA-CART killing. UTD, BCMA-CART, or

BCMA-SLAMF7-CART-cells were co-cultured with luciferase positive OPM-2 cells at different E:T ratio, in the presence or absence of BM-CAFs (ratio of OPM-2: CAFs of 1:0.1; at 0.6:1 ratio, mean and SEM, \* p<0.05, \*\* p<0.01, one-way ANOVA); n=3, 2 replicates.

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Supplemental Figure S23 | BCMA-SLAMF7- or BCMA-FAP-CART demonstrate a 335long-term durable response and improve overall survival in the MM-TME mouse 336**model. A**, Experimental schema. Three weeks after the injection of 1x10<sup>6</sup> luciferase<sup>+</sup> 337MM1.S and 1x10<sup>6</sup> BM-CAFs, mice were randomized into four groups: 1) UTD, 2) 338339BCMA-CART, 3) BCMA-SLAMF7-CART, or 4) BCMA-FAP-CART. Tumor burden was assessed by BLI (3 mice per group). **B** and **C**, Bioluminescent imaging of mice treated 340with UTD or CART (mean and SEM, \*p<0.05, two-way ANOVA at day 27). D, Kaplan-341Meier survival curve is shown. [BCMA-CART vs. BCMA-SLAMF7-CART hazard ratio 342= 0.06518; 95% confidence interval (CI) = 00.006025 to 0.7051, \*p=0.02, BCMA-343CART vs. BCMA-FAP-CART hazard ratio = 0.06518; 95% CI = 0.006025 to 3440.7051, \*p=0.02]. 345

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# Supplemental Figure S24 | CART-cell expansion and the composition of CART at day 8 of the generation. A, T cells were isolated from the healthy-donor-derived PBMCs. T cells were then stimulated with anti-CD3/CD28 beads at 1:3 (T cells:beads). CARs were lentivirally tranduced on day 1 at an MOI of 3. T cells were counted on days 0, 3, 5, 6, and 8. Beads were removed from T cells on day 6. B, Representative flow plots of UTD, BCMA-, FAP-, SLAMF7-, BCMA-FAP-, and BCMA-SLAMF7-CART-

353 cells (n=3).

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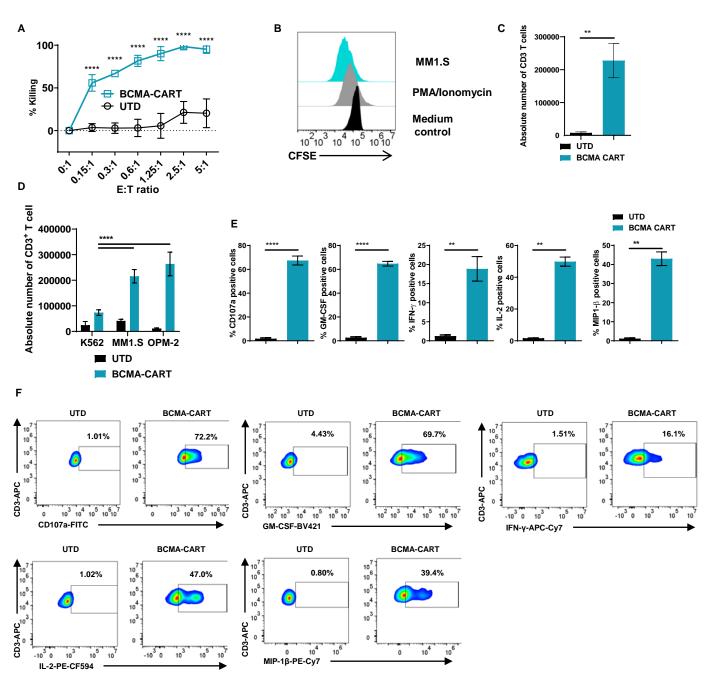
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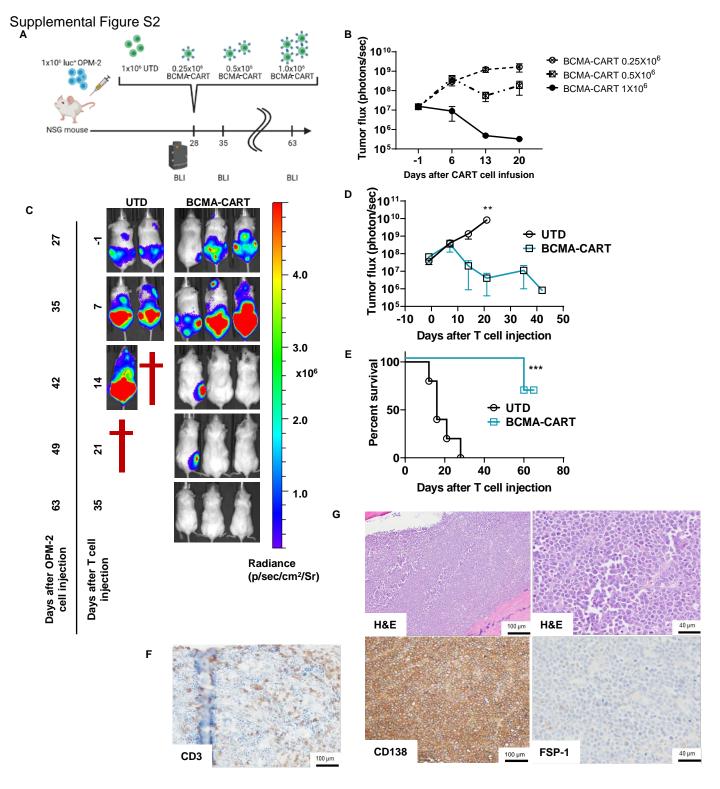
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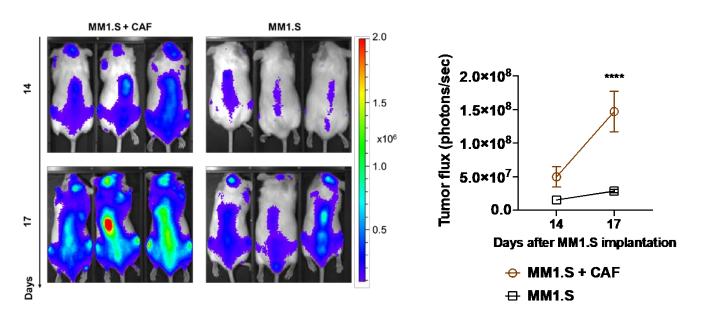
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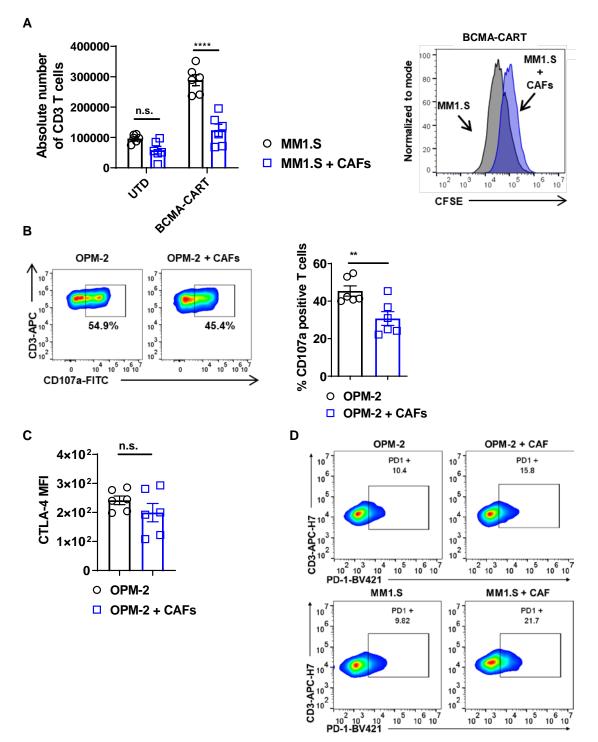
**Supplemental Figure S1 | Potent anti-tumor activity of BCMA-CART cells against BCMA expressing cells** *in vitro.* **A**, BCMA-CART-cells were co-cultured at different E:T ratios with luciferase<sup>+</sup> MM1.S. At 24 hours, cell killing was assessed by luminescence relative to controls (\*\*\*\* p<0.0001, two-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates). **B**, CFSE-labeled BCMA-CART were co-cultured with lethally irradiated MM1.S for 5 days. Cells were then analyzed for CFSE dilution to detect cell proliferation, and absolute number of CART cells was counted by flow cytometry (5 ng/mL phorbol 12-myristate 13-acetate (PMA) and 0.1 µg/mL ionomycin stimulation was used as a positive control; n=3, 2 replicates). **C**, BCMA-CART-cells exhibited more antigen-specific proliferation compared to untransduced T cells (UTD). BCMA-CART or UTD derived from the same donor were co-cultured with lethally irradiated MM1.S for 5 days. Antigen-specific proliferation was measured by flow cytometry after 5 days using absolute counts with counting beads. **D**, BCMA-CART or UTD were co-cultured with lethally irradiated K562, MM1.S, or OPM-2 cells for 5 days. Absolute number of T cells were counted via flow cytometry (mean and SEM, \*\*\*\* p<0.0001, one-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates). **E**, BCMA-CART or UTD were co-cultured with MM1.S for 4 hours. Medium was used as a negative control (mean and SEM, \*\*\*\* p<0.0001, \*\*p<0.005, one-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates). **F**, Representative flow plots of BCMA-CART or UTD CD107a degranulation and intracellular cytokine assays.



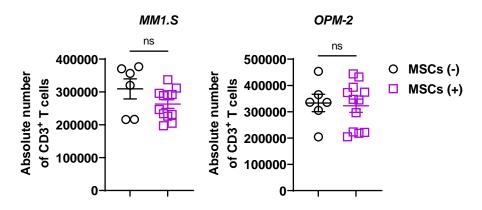
**Supplemental Figure S2 | Potent anti-tumor activity of BCMA-CART-cells against BCMA-expressing cells** *in vivo.* **A**, Experimental schema of BCMA-CART-cells in MM xenograft model. NSG mice were engrafted with luciferase<sup>+</sup>OPM-2 (1x10<sup>6</sup> cells/mouse, IV, 6 mice per group). On day 28, mice were randomized according to tumor burden, which was accessed by BLI, to receive 1x10<sup>6</sup> UTD, 1x10<sup>6</sup> BCMA-CART-cells, 0.5x10<sup>6</sup> BCMA-CART-cells, or 0.25x10<sup>6</sup> BCMA-CART-cells. **B**, BLI curve of *in vivo* BCMA-CART-cell dose-finding assay. **C-D**, Anti-myeloma activity of BCMA-CART-cells in OPM-2 xenograft mice, which was shown by bioluminescence imaging (mean and SEM, \*\*p=0.006 at day 21, unpaired, two-sided, Student's t-test). **E**, Kaplan-Meir survival curve is shown [hazard ratio = 0.03320; 95% confidence interval (CI) = 0.004605 to 0.2393, \*\*\*p=0.0007, log-rank test]. **F**, Immunohistochemical analysis of BM samples harvested from OPM-2 xenograft mice treated with BCMA-CART-cells (magnification 10). **G**, Immunohistochemical analysis of bone marrow from OPM-2 xenograft models, which were treated with UTD (H&E, *upper left and right*, magnification 10 and 40, respectively. CD138, *lower left*, magnification 10), and FSP-1 (*lower right*) staining revealed the absence of BM-CAFs in this model.



Supplemental Figure S3 | Bone marrow-derived cancer-associated fibroblasts (BM-CAFs) accelerate MM1.S cell growth *in vivo*. NSG mice were intravenously injected with 1x10<sup>6</sup> of luciferase<sup>+</sup> MM1.S cells or in combination with 1x10<sup>6</sup> of BM-CAFs. Tumor growth was assessed with a bioluminescence imager (mean and SEM, \*\*\*\* p<0.0001, two-way ANOVA; n=3).

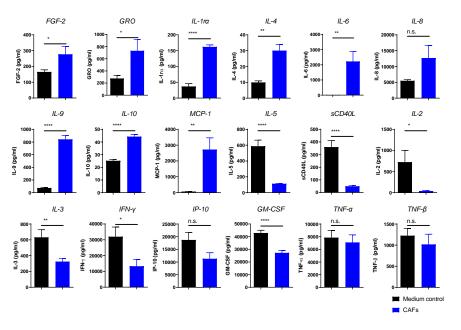


Supplemental Figure S4 | BM-CAFs inhibit BCMA-CART effector functions. A, CFSE-labeled BCMA-CART or UTD were co-cultured with lethally irradiated BCMA+SLAMF7+MM1.S and BM-CAFs for 5 days (mean and SEM, \*\*\*\*p<0.0001, two-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates). B, Antigen-specific BCMA-CART CD107a degranulation assay in the presence of BM-CAFs. OPM-2 cells were used as a stimulator (\*\*p<0.01, unpaired, two-sided, Student's t-test; n=3, 2 replicates). C, CTLA-4 expression on BCMA-CART in the presence or absence of CAFs (Student's t-test; n=3, 2 replicates). D, Representative flow plots of surface PD-1 expression on BCMA-CART cells when co-cultured with OPM-2 (*upper panels*) or MM1.S (*lower panels*) in the presence of CAFs.



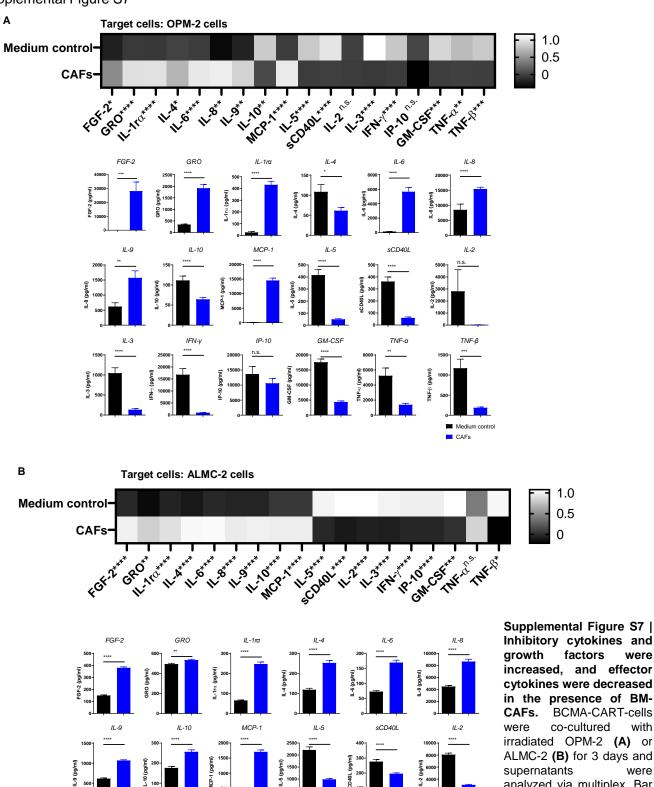
Supplemental Figure S5 | Bone barrow MSCs derived from healthy donor do not inhibit BCMA-CART proliferation. BCMA-CART cells were co-cultured with lethally irradiated BCMA+SLAMF7+MM1.S (*left*) or BCMA+SLAMF7+OPM-2 (*right*) in the presence or absence of MSCs for 5 days. Absolute number of CD3+ T cells were counted via flow cytometer (mean and SEM, t-test; n=6, 2 replicates).

## Supplemental Figure S6



Supplemental Figure S6 | Actual values of cytokines from the multiplex assay. Cytokines were analyzed by multiplex using supernatant from the co-culture of BCMA-CART and irradiated MM1.S with or without BM-CAFs (mean and SEM, \*p<0.05, \*\*p<0.01, \*\*\*\*p<0.0001, Student's t-test; n=3, 2 replicates).

Supplemental Figure S7



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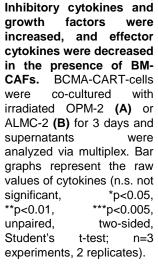
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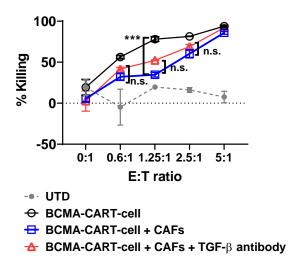
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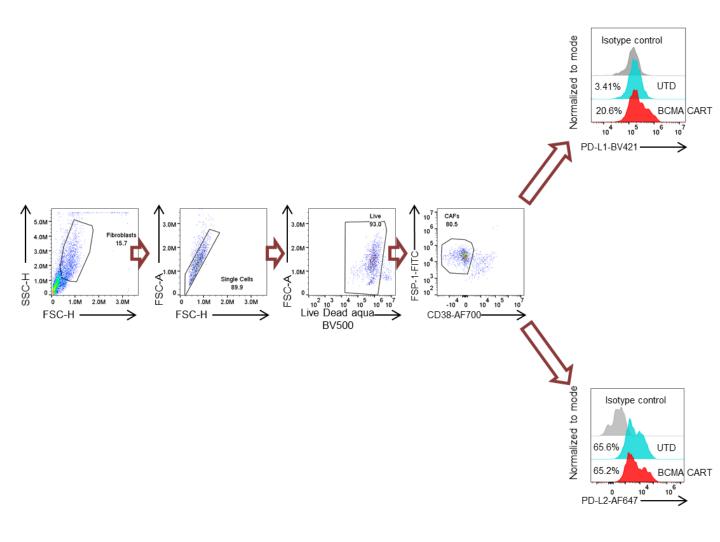
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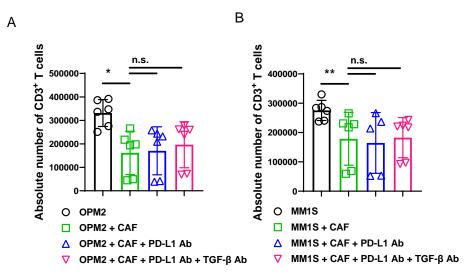
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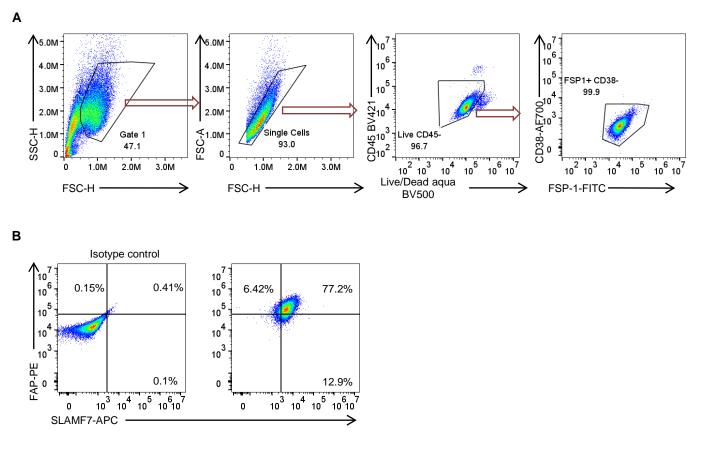
Supplemental Figure S8 | TGF- $\beta$  depletion does not overcome BM-CAF induced impairment of BCMA CART cytotoxicity. BCMA-CART were co-cultured with MM1.S and BM-CAFs in the presence or absence of anti TGF- $\beta$  antibody. At 24 hours, cytotoxicity was assessed by luminescence relative to controls (\*\*\* p<0.001, two-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates).



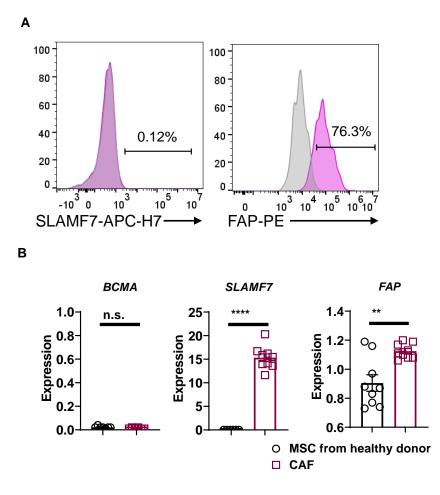
**Supplemental Figure S9 | Flow cytometric gating for assessment of inhibitory receptor-ligand expression.** BCMA-CART were co-cultured with lethally irradiated MM1.S and BM-CAFs. Cells were gated on FSC/SCC followed by singlet and live cell discrimination. CD3, CD38, CD45, and FSP-1 were used to distinguish CAFs from CART-cells. The surface PD-L1 or PD-L2 expression on BM-CAFs were assessed by flow cytometry. Isotype controls are shown as gray peaks.



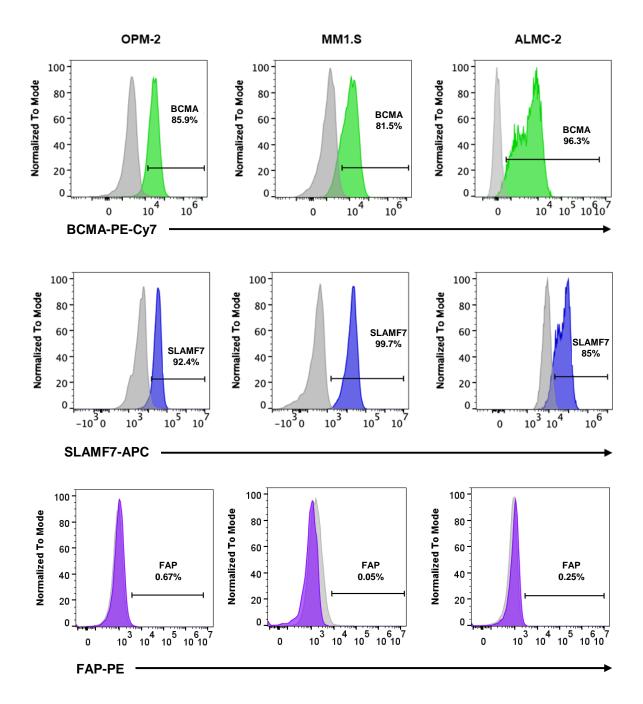
Supplemental Figure S10 | CAF inhibition of BCMA-CART-cell proliferation cannot be reversed by blocking PD-1/PD-L1 axis and/or TGF- $\beta$  neutralization. BCMA-CART cells were co-cultured with lethally irradiated OPM-2 (A) or MM1.S (B) in the presence or absence of CAFs for 5 days. PD-L1 blocking antibody (20 µg/mL) and/or TGF- $\beta$  neutralizing antibody (1 µg/mL) were also added to some conditions. Absolute number of CD3<sup>+</sup> T cells were assessed by flow cytometry on day 5 (mean and SEM, \*p<0.05, \*\*p<0.001, t-test; n=3, 2 replicates).



Supplemental Figure S11 | Flow cytometry gating for BM-CAFs and CD45 negative fraction derived from bone marrow of patients with multiple myeloma. A, Gating of BM-CAFs samples from patients with MM. The bone marrow was first isolated with CD138<sup>+</sup> microbeads. Then, CD138<sup>-</sup> fraction was cultured for two weeks and CAFs were isolated with antifibroblasts microbeads. BM-CAFs were defined as the live, CD45<sup>-</sup>CD38<sup>-</sup>FSP-1<sup>+</sup> fraction. B, Representative flow plots of BM-CAFs. Isotype control of IgG1-APC and IgG1-PE were used for left flow plots. SLAMF7-APC and FAP-PE were used for right flow plots.

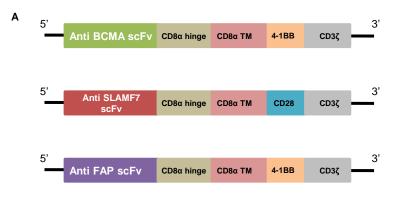


**Supplemental Figure S12 | Flow cytometric analysis for BM-MSCs and qPCR analysis of BM-MSCs and BM-CAFs. A,** Flow cytometric analysis for BM-MSCs derived from healthy donor. MSCs were defined as CD38<sup>-</sup>, CD45<sup>-</sup>, and FSP<sup>+</sup> cells. Grey peaks are fluorescence minus one (FMO) controls. Purple peaks are the stained samples. Representative histograms are shown; n=3. **B,** qPCR analysis for BM-MSC derived from healthy donors and BM-CAFs from MM patients (\*\* p<0.01, \*\*\*\* p<0.0001, Student's t-test; n=3, 3 replicates).

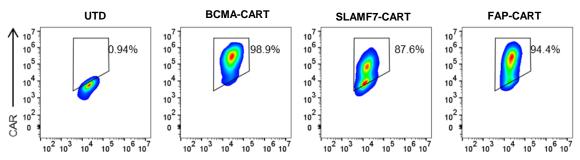


Supplemental Figure S13 | Flow cytometric analysis of BCMA, SLAMF7, and FAP expression on OPM-2, MM1.S, and ALMC-2 cells. Grey peaks represent the isotype controls.

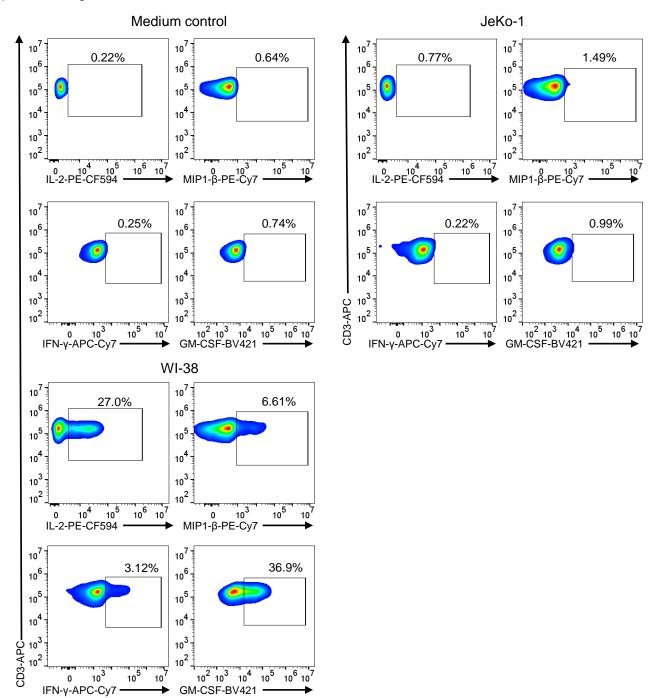
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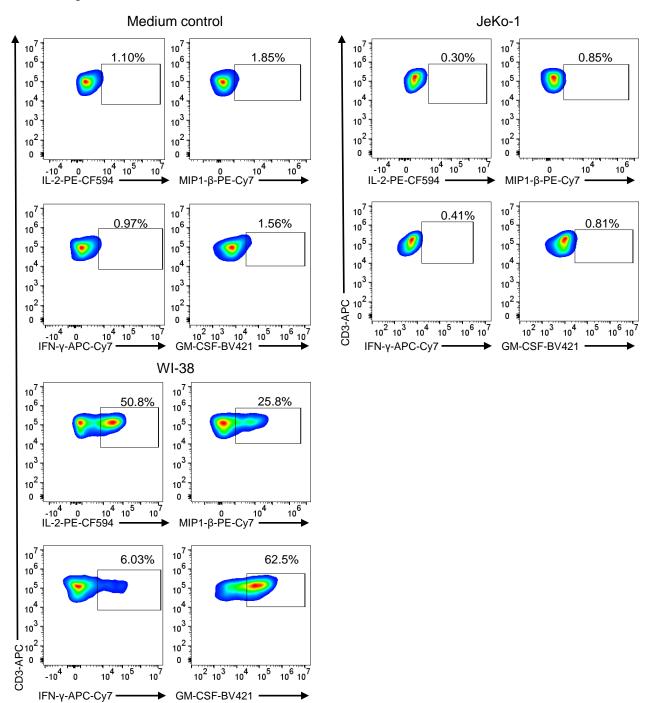
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Supplemental Figure S14| Constructs of the BCMA-, SLAMF7-, and FAP-CAR vector, and surface CAR expression on human CD3 T-cells. A, Schematic representation of the BCMA-, SLAMF7-, and FAP-CAR constructs. BCMA-CAR consisted of anti-BCMA single chain variable fragment (scFv) linked to CD3 zeta and a 4-1BB costimulatory domain. H, hinge; TM, transmembrane. SLAMF7-CAR consisted of anti-SLAMF7 scFv linked to CD3 zeta and a CD28 costimulatory domain. FAP-CAR consisted of anti-FAP scFv linked to CD3 zeta and a 4-1BB costimulatory domain. B, Representative flow plots of UTDs, BCMA-, SLAMF7-, and FAP-CART. Goat anti-mouse F(ab')2 antibody (GAM) was used with live/dead aqua to detect CAR expression on CART-cells. Cells were gated on FSC/SSC followed by singlet discrimination and live cells. Negative gates for CAR expression were set based on untransduced (UTD) T cells.

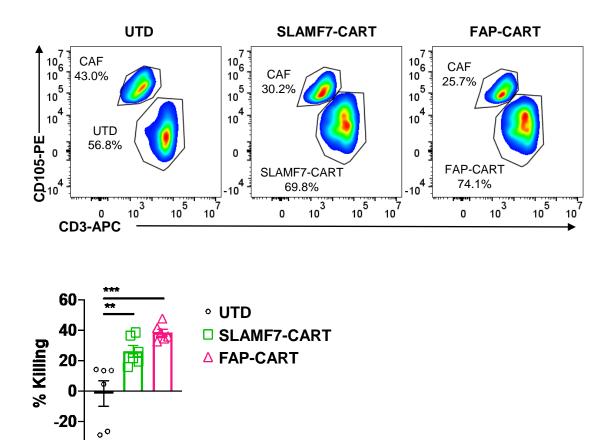


Supplemental Figure S15 | Representative flow plots of FAP-CART degranulation assay. FAP-CART stimulated with FAP+WI-38 or FAP-JeKo-1 cells. CD3 was used to distinguish CART-cells from target cells.



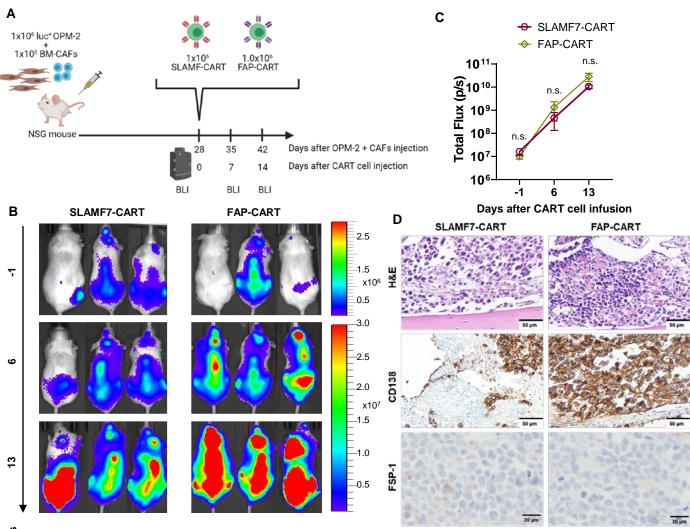
Supplemental Figure S16 | Representative flow plots of SLAMF7-CART-cell degranulation assay. SLAMF7-CART-cells stimulated with SLAMF7<sup>+</sup>MM1.S or SLAMF7<sup>-</sup>Jurkat cells. CD3 was used to distinguish CART-cells from target cells.

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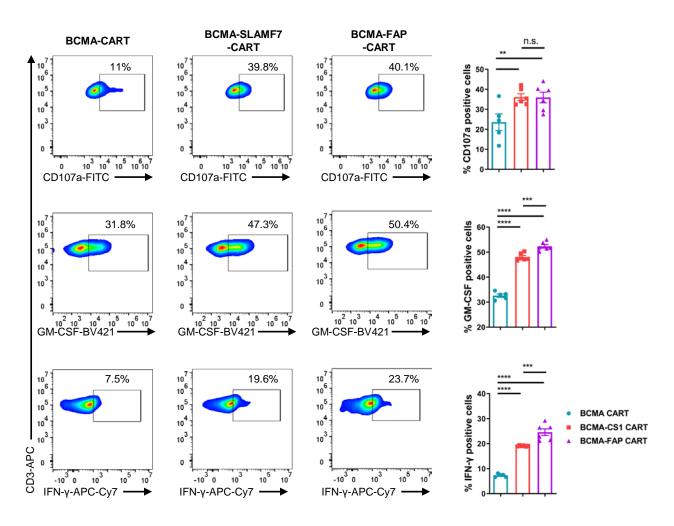
**Supplemental Figure S17 | SLAMF7- or FAP-CART cytotoxicity assay against BM-CAFs.** SLAMF7- or FAP-CART were co-cultured with BM-CAFs at 1:1 ratio. At 24 hours, cytotoxicity was assessed relative to controls. CD105 and CD3 were used to differentiate CAF and T cells (mean and SEM, \*\* p<0.01, \*\*\* p<0.001, one-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates).

## Supplemental Figure S18



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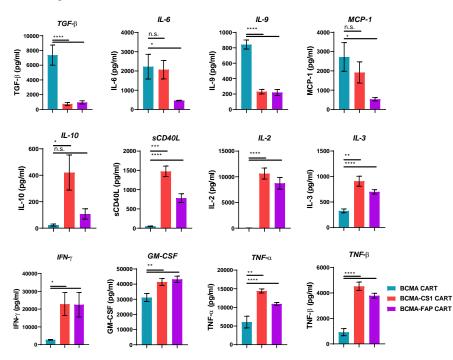
**Supplemental Figure S18 | SLAMF7 or FAP-CART inhibit CAF growth** *in vivo.* **A**, Experimental schema. Four weeks after the injection of 1x10<sup>6</sup> luciferase positive OPM-2 and 1x10<sup>6</sup> BM-CAFs, mice were randomized into two groups: 1) SLAMF7-CART or 2) FAP-CART. **B**, Tumor burden was assessed by BLI curve (mean and SEM, two-way ANOVA; n=3). **C**, Mice were euthanized when they reached an endpoint due to the high tumor load. Bone marrow was harvested and immunohistochemical staining was performed (H&E magnification 10, CD138 magnification 10, and FSP-1 magnification 20).



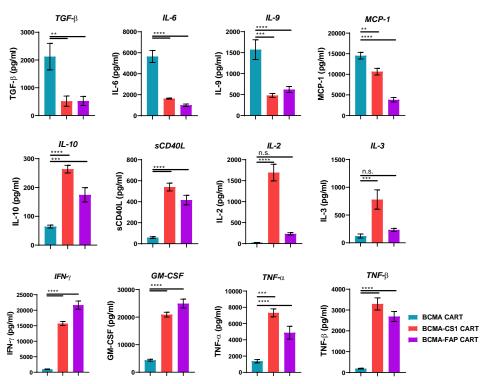
Supplemental Figure S19 | BCMA-, dual BCMA-SLAMF7-, or BCMA-FAP-CART degranulation and intracytoplasmic cytokine assay. CART were co-cultured with OPM-2 and BM-CAFs for 4 hours and stained for CD107a and intracytoplasmic cytokines (mean and SEM, \*\*\*\*p<0.0001, \*\*\*p<0.001, one-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates).

## Supplemental Figure S20

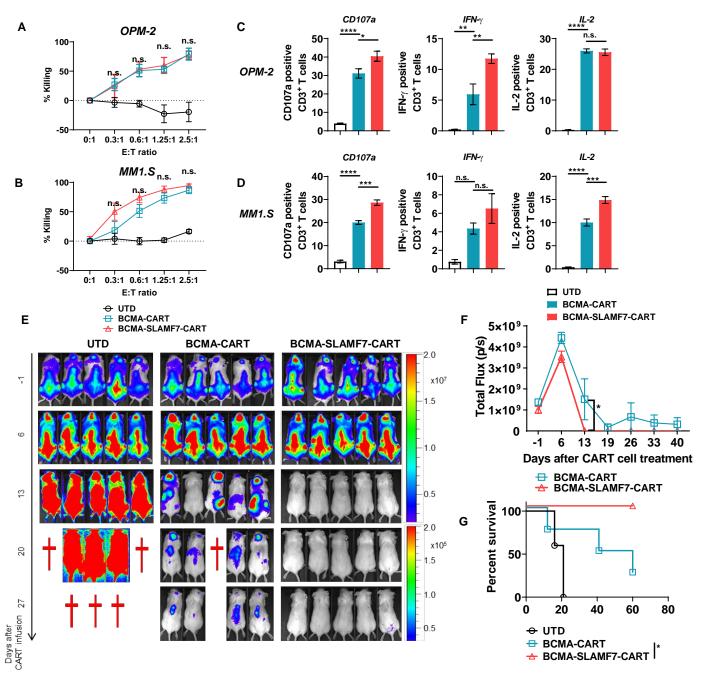
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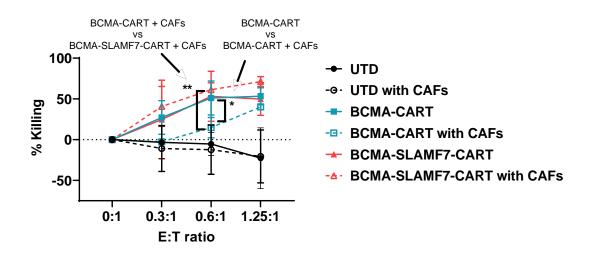
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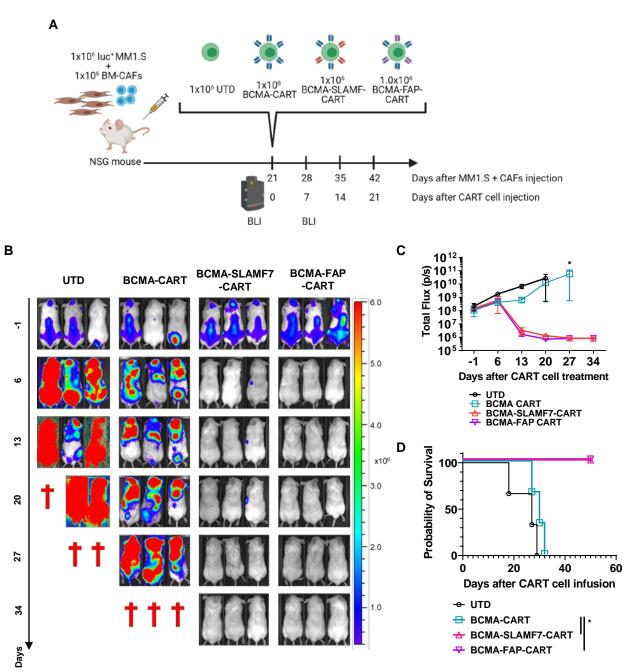
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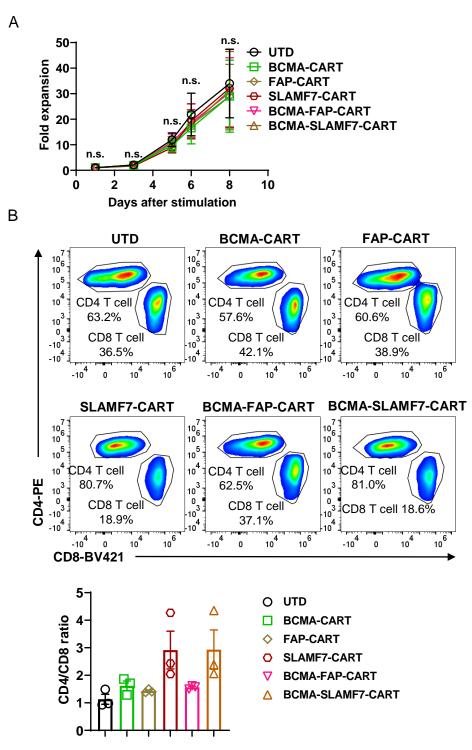
Supplemental Figure S21 | Anti-tumor efficacy of BCMA- and dual BCMA-SLAMF7-CART against OPM-2 and MM1.S cells *in vitro* and *in vivo*. A and B, BCMA or BCMA-CS1 CART cells equally lysed OPM-2 cells (A) or MM1.S cells (B) within 24 hours (two-way ANOVA; n=3, 2 replicates). C and D, CART CD107a degranulation assay upon stimulation of OPM-2 (C) or MM1.S (D) cells (mean and SEM, \* p<0.05, \*\* p<0.01, \*\*\* p<0.001, \*\*\*\* p<0.0001, one-way ANOVA), n=3, 2 replicates. E-G, The head-to-head comparison of single BCMA-CART and dual BCMA-SLAMF7-CART in an OPM-2 xenograft mouse model. NSG mice were injected with 1x10<sup>6</sup> of luciferase<sup>+</sup> OPM-2 cells on day -28. On day -1, tumor burden was assessed with bioluminescence imaging (BLI) and mice were randomized according to the tumor burden. On day 0, mice received 1x10<sup>6</sup> of 1) UTD, 2) BCMA-CART, or 3) BCMA-SLAMF7-CART (mean and SEM, \* p<0.05 at day 13, two-way ANOVA; n=5 per group). G, Kaplan-Meier curve of OPM-2 xenograft mouse model is shown [BCMA-CART vs. BCMA-SLAMF7-CART hazard ratio = 0.0630; 95% confidence interval (CI) = 0.005903-0.6722, \*p=0.05].



Supplemental Figure S22 | Dual BCMA-SLAMF7 targeting CART cells overcome BM-CAF-induced impairment of BCMA-CART killing. UTD, BCMA-CART, or BCMA-SLAMF7-CART-cells were co-cultured with luciferase positive OPM-2 cells at different E:T ratio, in the presence or absence of BM-CAFs (ratio of OPM-2: CAFs of 1:0.1; at 0.6:1 ratio, mean and SEM, \* p<0.05, \*\* p<0.01, one-way ANOVA); n=3, 2 replicates.



Supplemental Figure S23 | BCMA-SLAMF7- or BCMA-FAP-CART demonstrate a long-term durable response and improve overall survival in the MM-TME mouse model. A, Experimental schema. Three weeks after the injection of 1x10<sup>6</sup> luciferase<sup>+</sup> MM1.S and 1x10<sup>6</sup> BM-CAFs, mice were randomized into four groups: 1) UTD, 2) BCMA-CART, 3) BCMA-SLAMF7-CART, or 4) BCMA-FAP-CART. Tumor burden was assessed by BLI (3 mice per group). B and C, Bioluminescent imaging of mice treated with UTD or CART (mean and SEM, \*p<0.05, two-way ANOVA at day 27). D, Kaplan-Meier survival curve is shown. [BCMA-CART vs. BCMA-SLAMF7-CART hazard ratio = 0.06518; 95% confidence interval (CI) = 00.006025 to 0.7051, \*p=0.02, BCMA-CART vs. BCMA-FAP-CART hazard ratio = 0.06518; 95% CI = 0.006025 to 0.7051, \*p=0.02].



Supplemental Figure S24 | CART-cell expansion and the composition of CART at day 8 of the generation. A, T cells were isolated from the healthy-donor-derived PBMCs. T cells were then stimulated with anti-CD3/CD28 beads at 1:3 (T cells:beads). CARs were lentivirally tranduced on day 1 at an MOI of 3. T cells were counted on days 0, 3, 5, 6, and 8. Beads were removed from T cells on day 6. **B**, Representative flow plots of UTD, BCMA-, FAP-, SLAMF7-, BCMA-FAP-, and BCMA-SLAMF7-CART-cells (n=3).