

Gracell Biotechnologies Announces Details of Oral Abstract Presentation at 2022 ASCO Annual Meeting

Gracell to present longer-term follow-up clinical data evaluating GC012F, an autologous CAR-T therapeutic candidate dual-targeting BCMA and CD19, for the treatment of relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma

SAN DIEGO, Calif. and SUZHOU, China, April 28, 2022 /PRNewswire/ -- Gracell Biotechnologies Inc. ("Gracell" or the "Company", NASDAQ: GRCL), a global clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company dedicated to developing highly efficacious and affordable cell therapies for the treatment of cancer, today announced the details of its oral abstract presentation at the 2022 American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) Annual Meeting, being held from June 3-7 in Chicago, Illinois.



Longer-term follow-up clinical data from a multicenter investigator-initiated trial (IIT) evaluating GC012F for the treatment of relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma (RRMM) will be presented at an oral abstract session. GC012F is an autologous CAR-T therapeutic candidate dual-targeting B cell maturation antigen (BCMA) and CD19. It is developed using Gracell's proprietary FasTCAR platform, which enables next-day manufacturing. In November 2021, GC012F was granted Orphan Drug Designation for the treatment of multiple myeloma by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Details of the presentation are as follows:

- Abstract title: Updated results of a multicenter first-in-human study of BCMA/CD19 dual-targeting fast CAR-T GC012F for patients with relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma (RRMM)
- Abstract number: 8005
- Session title: Hematologic Malignancies Plasma Cell Dyscrasia
- Session type: Oral Abstract Session
- Presentation time: Sunday, June 5 at 9:36 AM CT
- Presentation location: S406

Full abstract will be released on May 26, 2022 at 5:00 PM (EDT). Additional information about the presentation and the ASCO Annual Meeting is available on the ASCO website.

About GC012F

GC012F is a FasTCAR-enabled dual-targeting CAR-T product candidate that is currently being evaluated in IIT studies in China for the treatment of multiple myeloma (MM) and B-cell non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (B-NHL). GC012F simultaneously targets CD19 and BCMA to drive fast, deep and durable responses, which can improve efficacy and may reduce relapse in MM and B-NHL patients. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration granted Orphan Drug Designation to GC012F for the treatment of RRMM.

About FasTCAR

CAR-T cells manufactured on Gracell's proprietary FasTCAR platform appear younger, less exhausted and show enhanced proliferation, persistence, bone marrow migration and tumor cell clearance activities as demonstrated in preclinical studies. With next-day manufacturing, FasTCAR is able to significantly improve cell production efficiency which may result in meaningful cost savings, increasing the accessibility of cell therapies for cancer patients.

About Gracell

Gracell Biotechnologies Inc. ("Gracell") is a global clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company dedicated to discovering and developing breakthrough cell therapies. Leveraging its pioneering FasTCAR and TruUCAR technology platforms and SMART CARTM technology module, Gracell is developing a rich clinical-stage pipeline of multiple autologous and allogeneic product candidates with the potential to overcome major industry challenges that persist with conventional CAR-T therapies, including lengthy manufacturing time, suboptimal cell quality, high therapy cost and lack of effective CAR-T therapies for solid tumors. For more information on Gracell, please visit www.gracellbio.com. Follow @GracellBio on LinkedIn.

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