# How LLS is changing the landscape of blood cancer

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# **Our Mission:**

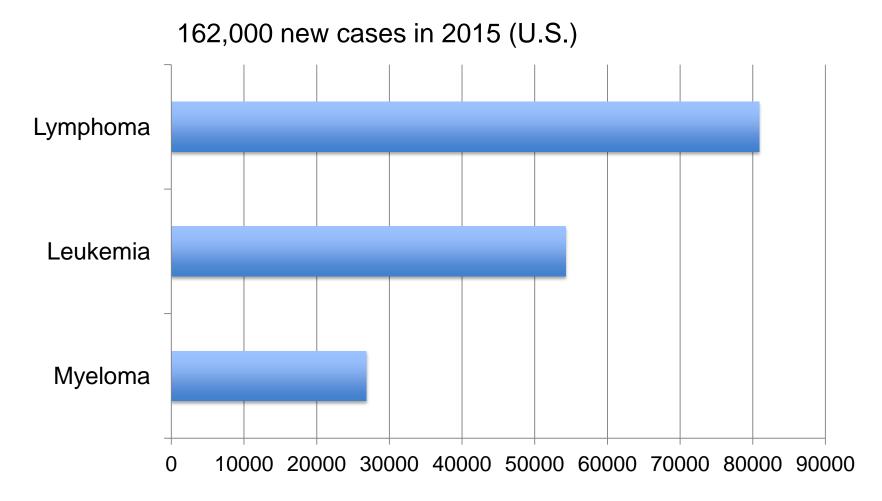
## 3 focus areas:

- Research
- Patient access
- Advocacy

Cure leukemia,
lymphoma,
Hodgkin's
disease,
and myeloma,
and improve
the quality of life
for patients
and their families.



### Blood cancers are almost 10% of new cancer diagnoses





### Blood cancers are the number three cancer killer

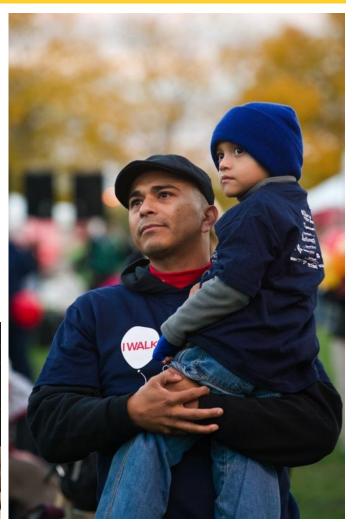
Every three minutes someone is diagnosed with a blood cancer. Every ten minutes someone dies from a blood cancer.

But, we are making tremendous progress.

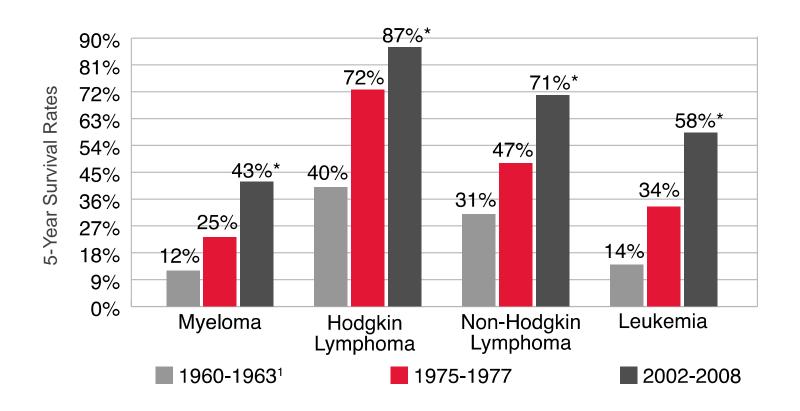








# Since the 1960s, the survival rates for many blood cancer patients have **doubled**, **tripled** and even **quadrupled**



### More work needs to be done

Despite progress, more than a third of blood cancer patients still do not survive five years after their diagnosis.







# LLS exists to **find cures** and **ensure access to treatments** for blood cancer patients

There are no means for preventing or early screening for most blood cancers.

Therefore, LLS focuses on finding cures and ensuring sustainable access to quality, affordable, coordinated care.



# Once unimaginable, new treatments are saving lives today

#### Moving from highly toxic treatments to more targeted therapies...

#### 1950s

First chemotherapy agents for lymphoma and leukemia patients, including children

#### 1960s

First combination chemotherapy developed for childhood leukemia

#### 1970s

First successful bone marrow transplants performed

#### 1980s

Cancer-causing oncogenes and tumor suppressor genes discovered



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### ... with cures and prevention as the ultimate long-term goal

#### 1990s

Antibody-based therapies such as Rituxan

#### 2000s

Targeted therapies such as Gleevec

#### 2010s

Genomic medicine and precision medicine; adoptive immunotherapy

### 2020 and beyond

Personalized medicine Cures and prevention



# New drug approvals for blood cancers, 2010-present

| Year | Disease  | Drug   |
|------|--|--|
| 2010 | CML  | Dasatinib, Nilotinib   |
| 2011 | Myelofibrosis<br>ALL<br>Hodgkin lymphoma<br>Anaplastic large cell lymphoma | Ruxolitinib Erwinia asparaginase Brentuximab vedotin Brentuximab vedotin               |
| 2012 | CML<br>ALL<br>Multiple myeloma   | Ponatinib, Omacetaxine mepesuccinate, Bosutinib<br>Vincristine liposome<br>Carfilzomib |
| 2013 | Mantle cell lymphoma<br>CLL<br>Multiple myeloma                            | Ibrutinib, Lenalidomide<br>Obinutuzumab<br>Pomalidomide                                |
| 2014 | CLL Follicular lymphoma Peripheral T-cell lymphoma Polycythemia vera ALL   | Ibrutinib, Ofatumumab, Idelalisib Idelalisib Belinostat Ruxolitinib Blinatumomab       |
| 2015 | Multiple myeloma<br>Lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma                             | Panobinostat<br>Ibrutinib  |

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Source: www.fda.gov

# Access Policy: Challenge and Opportunity

How many lives will be saved by rituximab, imatinimb or even newer drugs if patients:

- Can't afford the out-of-pocket costs to fill their prescription?
- Have insurance that doesn't cover these treatments?
- Don't have adequate insurance coverage?
- Can't navigate the healthcare system to get access to the care they need?

# Committed to Improving Patients' Quality of Life

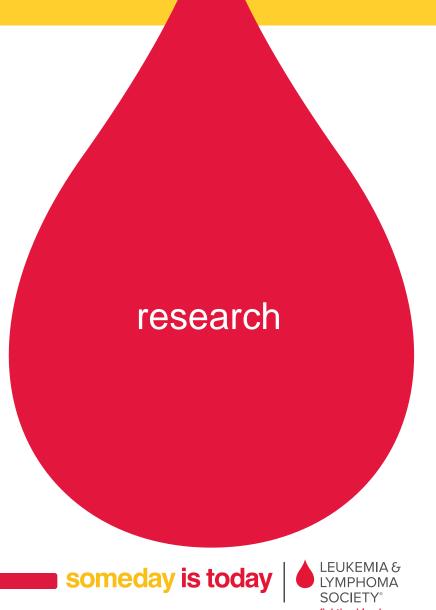
LLS provides free information and support services for patients and their families.

Our Co-Pay Assistance program has provided more than \$197 million since inception.





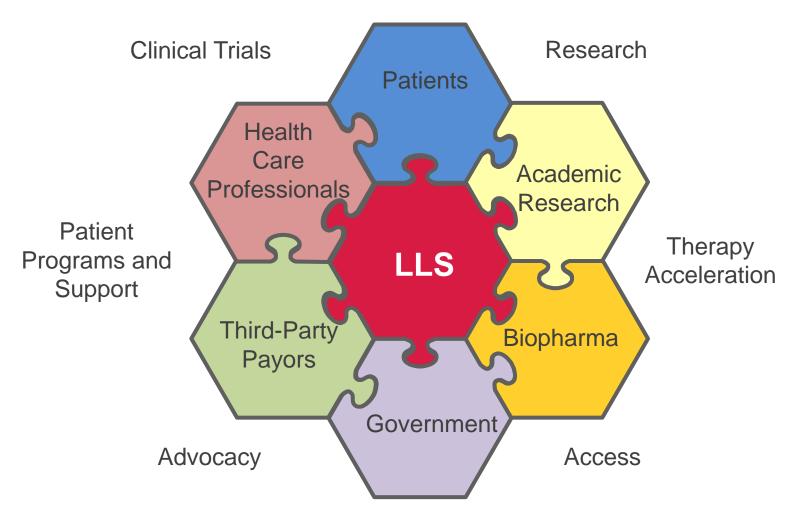
# Research at LLS today



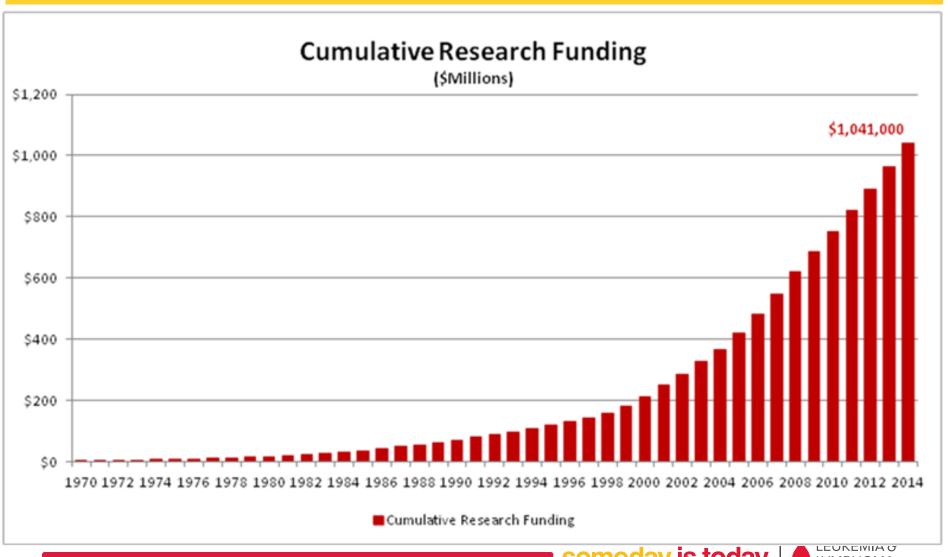


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## Aligning the Players in the Innovation Ecosystem

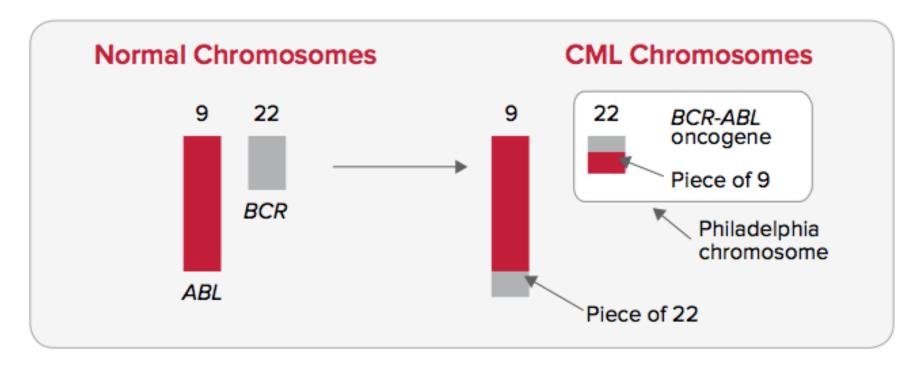


# LLS: Over \$1 Billion in Research Funding

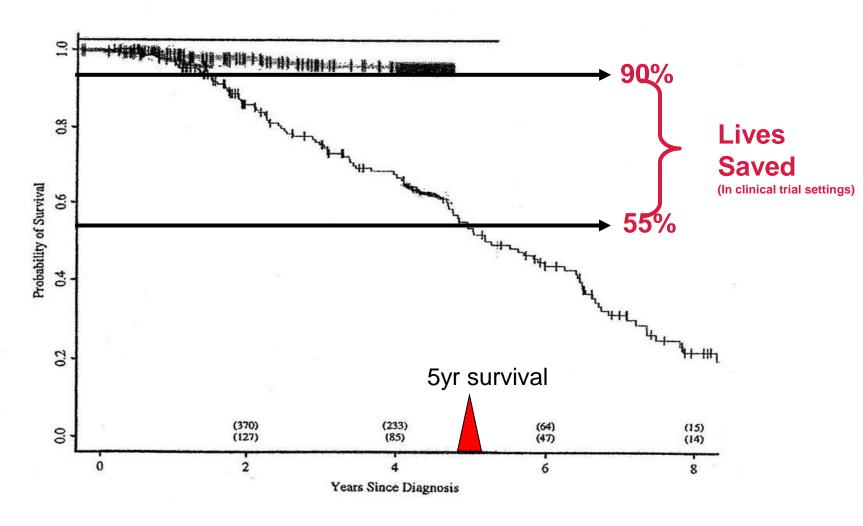


# CML has a consistent molecular target

#### Translocation of chromosomes 9 and 22



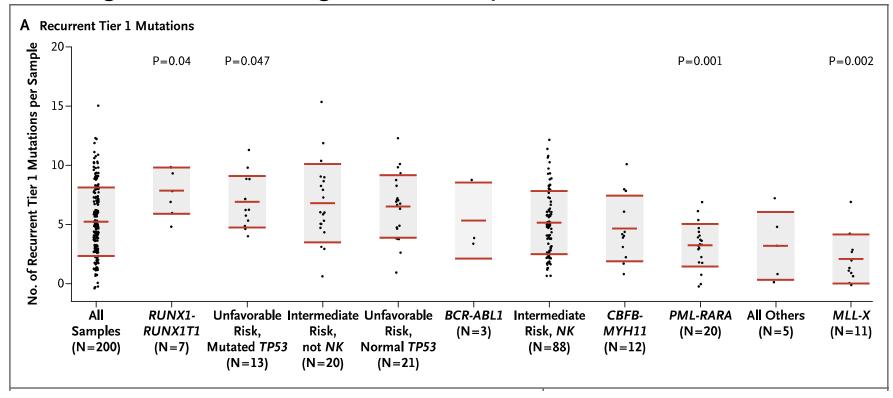
### CML: lives saved due to imatinib





# Most blood cancers are genetically complex

# Average of 5 recurring mutations per case in AML





# Leading in Venture Philanthropy

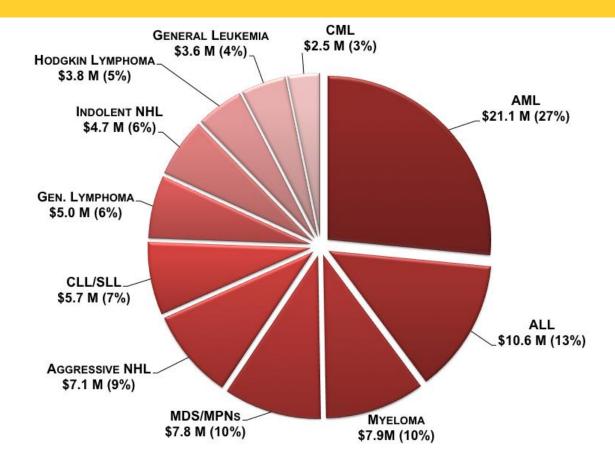
LLS partners with universities, hospitals, and biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies to get treatments to patients faster than ever.







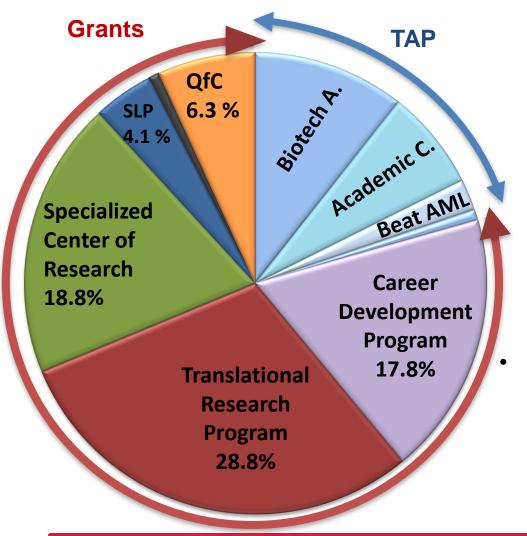
### FY14 Research Commitment



Research Budget: \$79.8 Million



### LLS Current Research Portfolio



#### 333 Active Academic Grants

- -Career Development (CDP) "training award"
- -Translational Research (TRP) "bench to bedside"
- -Specialized Center of Research (SCOR) synergistic collaboration
- -New Idea Award (NIA) "crazy idea, concept"
- -Screen to Lead (SLP) "finding leads"
- -Quest for CURES (QFC) focused
- -Other partnerships IWMF & MPNRF

#### 25 Therapy Acceleration Programs

- Goal is to accelerate first in class opportunities
- Pre-IND to Phase 3 studies
- Concentrated in "valley of death"

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# Biotech Accelerator TAP Pipeline

| TARGET<br>THERAPY                    | INDICATION(S)                           | PRECLINICAL                             | PHASE I   | PHASE II | PHASE III           |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|-----------|----------|---------------------|
| Apoptosis<br>CPX-351                 | Secondary AML                           | Celator                                 |           |          |                     |
| IL-3R<br>SL-401                      | BPDCN                                   | <u>Stemline</u>                         |           |          |                     |
| <b>CD30/CD16A</b> <i>AFM13</i>       | Hodgkin<br>Lymphoma                     | affined on unique antibody therapeutics | <b>\)</b> |          |                     |
| <b>CD70</b> <i>ARGX-110</i>          | Waldenstrom's<br>Macroglobulinemia      | GEN-X                                   |           |          |                     |
| HDAC6<br>ACY-1215                    | Multiple Myeloma                        | Acetylon<br>Pharmaceuticals, Inc.       |           |          |                     |
| PI3K/HDAC<br>CUDC-907                | Lymphoma<br>Multiple Myeloma            | cuis.                                   |           |          |                     |
| CS1/CD138/XBP1<br>PVX-410 + Revlimid | Smoldering<br>Myeloma                   | OncoPep                                 |           |          |                     |
| <b>BET</b> <i>CPI-0610</i>           | Lymphoma<br>Multiple Myeloma<br>AML/MDS | Constellation                           |           |          |                     |
| CD20/IFNa<br>IGN002                  | Lymphoma                                | VALOR                                   |           |          |                     |
|                                      |   |   |           |          | LEUKEMIA & LYMPHOMA |

SOCIETY° fighting blood cancers

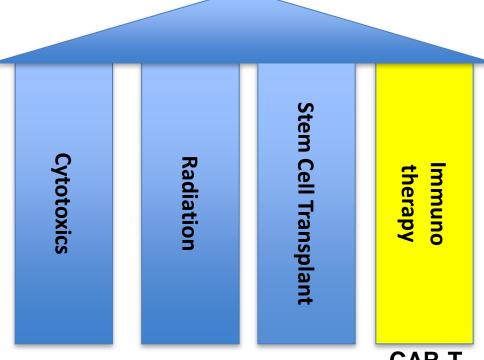
# Academic Concierge TAP Pipeline

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|---------------------------------|----------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|------------------|
| Cell Therapy  MILs              | Multiple<br>Myeloma        | LEUKEMIA & LYMPHOMA SOCIETY Me EDICI                 |                                  |  |                  |
| Hedgehog<br>PF-04449913         | Acute<br>Leukemias/M<br>DS | LEUKEMIA & LYMPHOMA SOCIETY Denver   Anso            | Colorado<br>Chutz Medical Campus |  |                  |
| local RT + CTLA<br>4 Ipilimumab | \-<br>Lymphoma             | LEUKEMIA & LYMPHOMA SOCIETY* fighting blood cancers  |                                  | Stanford<br>MEDICINE                     |                  |
| <b>VDA</b><br><i>OXi4503</i>    | AML/MDS                    | LEUKEMIA & LYMPHOMA SOCIETY' fighting blood cancers  |                                  | UF FLOR                                  | IDA              |
| CDA/DNMT1 THU-Decitabine        | AML/MDS                    | LEUKEMIA & LYMPHOMA SOCIETY* fighting blood cancers  |                                  | Clevelan                                 | Correct Harrison |
| <b>CDC7</b><br><i>MSK-777</i>   | Acute<br>Leukemias         | LEUKEMIA & LYMPHOMA SOCIETY* fighting blood cancers  |                                  | Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center   | Medical Center   |
| <b>Menin</b><br>Sm Molecule     | MLL<br>Leukemias           | LEUKEMIA & LYMPHOMA SOCIETY" fightling blood cancers |                                  | University of Michigan<br>Medical School |                  |

# Two Transformational Years for Immunotherapy to Treat Blood Cancer



Building a New Foundation for Blood Cancer Therapy



CAR T
Checkpoints
T-cell engager

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## Activation of The Immune System by Two New Methods



Step on the gas

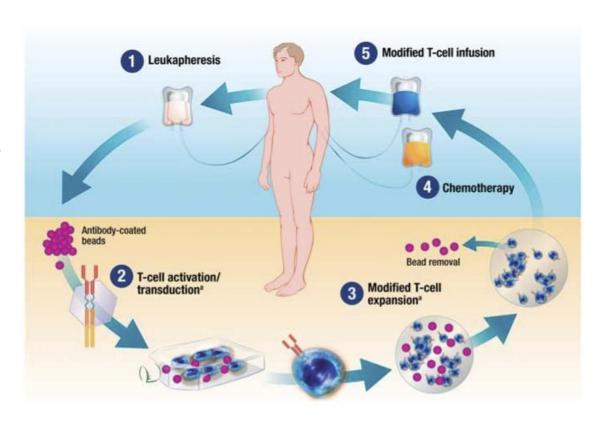
**Immunoactivation** (CAR T)





# **CAR T-cell immunotherapy**

- Chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) engineered T-cells
  - Redirects immune cells to attack cancer cells
- ALL, CLL, NHL
- Potential use in many cancers





# Immune checkpoint inhibitors for Hodgkin lymphoma

**Disease: Hodgkin lymphoma** 

Therapy: Immune checkpoint inhibitors

#### **Findings:**

- Two Phase I trials with anti PD-1 antibodies
- Extraordinary response in patients with relapsed disease (50-87%)
- Well tolerated

#### Why it's important:

- New therapeutic modality with potential for 1<sup>st</sup> line treatment
- Safety profile may be superior to cytotoxics currently in use
- Utility for other blood cancer types

### How did LLS help?

- LLS funded investigators who found very high expression of PD-1 in HL
- Multiple new grant awards in progress to expand utility to other lymphomas

