

# Crucial steps to “set up” the first Pediatric BMT center in Tanzania



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# SCD in Tanzania up to 2019

- SCD birth prevalence / year:  
6-10 per 1000 births (**around 20.000**)
- SCD children MR / year = 10.500 (J. Makani)
- U5-MR for SCD = 50 to 90 %
- U5-MR for Malaria = 10 % (WHO data)

# Estimated yearly Incidence of childhood leukemia and lymphoma in "Tanzania"

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# **We have a dream... a BMT Center to cure SCD and other childhood hematologic diseases in Tanzania**

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# Mandatory for a BMT Center

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- ❑ ***BMT Center*** must carry out at least [10](#) allogeneic sibling donor transplant a year
  - ❑ *Adequate space, design with “protective environment” and location for BMT Center*
  - ❑ *Adequate number of the personnel with a good “expertise”*
  - ❑ *Adequate facilities to minimize risks to the health of employees, patients, donors visitors and volunteers*
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# BMT and PEDIATRIC Hematologic Center

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with a system of “environment protection”  
and need of:

- ❑ **3 doctors ; 15 nurses; 1 chief of nurse**
  - ❑ **4 single rooms** (with bathroom) and **3 double bed rooms** (each with bathroom inside)
  - ❑ **One nurse station**, 1 protective cabinet for preparation of immunosuppressive therapy
  - ❑ **Doctors rooms with Internet/ Intranet**
  - ❑ **Storage room** (*scales, monitors, needles for BM aspiration, any other supplies for post-BMT complications....*)
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# Plasma air Sentinel

## CHARACTERISTICS



- **Plasma air T2006:** *It is a new mobile system to protect immunosuppressive patients against airborne contamination by HEPA with Microbial Destruction*
- **Evidence Based Clinical Efficacy<sup>1</sup>**
- **Safety** (Class II medical device) *due to a room air cleaner*
- **Patient Comfort<sup>3</sup>**

# OUTPATIENT for transplanted children

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- ❑ **6 single beds rooms** for infusions, chemotherapy.....(+ 3 bathrooms)
  - ❑ **One large common room** with 10 beds for IV infusions plus 3 bathrooms (at least)
  - ❑ **2 rooms for procedures** (BM aspiration, lumbar puncture.....)
  - ❑ **1 Nurse station** for preparation of infusions and any kind of procedure (+ Internet / Intranet)
  - ❑ One protective cabinet
  - ❑ Storage room (for drugs....)
  - ❑ **Doctors station** with Internet / Intranet
  - ❑ 1 “Play / rest room” for patients and/or parents
  - ❑ 1 room for “social worker and psychologist
  - ❑ Various ( scales, monitors.....)
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# BMT facility : the Team

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- ❑ “Program Director” responsible for clinical transplant activities
  - ❑ Attending physicians and other personnel (nurses) with specific training and expertise for BMT
  - ❑ Mid-Level practitioners (chief of nurses, research nurses....)
  - ❑ Medical Directors of “Collection and Processing Facilities”, Pharmacy.....
  - ❑ Data manager
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# **BMT Accreditation: consulting and certified Units and/or physicians**

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- ❑ **Blood Bank and HLA Lab**
  - ❑ **Instrument for irradiation of Blood Products**
  - ❑ **Pathology / Hematology LAB**
  - ❑ **Pharmacy**
  - ❑ **Surgery**
  - ❑ **Intensive care Unit**
  - ❑ **Nephrology (dialysis), Cardiology, Pneumology**
  - ❑ **Radiology**
  - ❑ **Infectious disease Unit/LAB**
  - ❑ **Neurology /Psychiatry**
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# BMT strategy

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- To optimize the clinical activity of doctors and nurses involved in stem cells transplantation
  - To promote quality medical and laboratory practice in BMT
  - To provide continuously the guidance to all the professionals by a “quality management system”
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# Quality management System: what does it means?

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- ❑ A system to document initial qualifications and training of the personnel
  - ❑ Provision for continuing education and “annual review “of the competence
  - ❑ A system for clinical care of donor and recipient
  - ❑ A system for conducting and reviewing “audits”and BMT internal meetings
  - ❑ A system for detecting errors,accidents,adverse events and their correction or prevention
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# How to improve the “Education” of BMT Team of BMKH

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- \* \* **At distance training** (Teleconference with BMT Experts)
  - \* \* Pre-start up **Local training** (by Italian BMT experts)
  - \* \* **Internship** in an abroad BMT qualified Center
  - \* \* **Training** since the “start up” by Italian BMT experts” for at least 3 years
  - \* \* **Continuous evaluation of competences** by a quality management plan
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# Education and quality management of the “BMT Center” Personnel

## EDUCATION

**Initial  
Competencies  
evaluation**

**Continuous  
evaluation :  
at least once a year**

**Documents**

**Improvement  
plans**

**Audit**

**Outcome.**

**Errors**

**Corrective  
actions**

**Validation**

**Privacy**

**Product deviations**

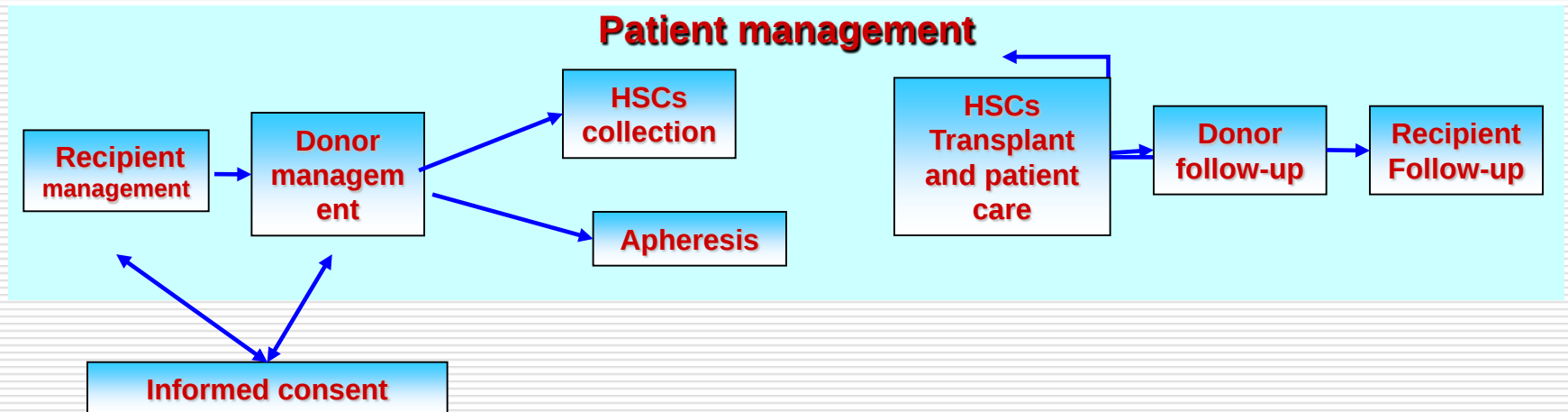
## ***“Nurses competence” in BMT process***

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- ❑ Infection prevention and control
- ❑ Administration of the preparative regimen and immunosuppressive drugs
- ❑ Transplantation of “stem cells” and supportive care (nutrition.....)
- ❑ CVC care and Blood product tranfusion
- ❑ Knowledge and prevention of adverse events

# Competence of primary physicians on BMT Process

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# BMT “work methodology”

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**Interaction** among different departments and “staff” dedicated to BMT by:

❖ **Quality management system** who provides several critical “standard operating procedures” (SOPs) which control any process before and after BMT

❖ **The use** of International Standards for “*cellular therapy product Collection, Processing and Administration*”

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# JACIE in EUROPE : a promising result in more than 220 BMT Centers

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❖ **BMT “Jacie accredited “ Centers provide better results** in terms of EFS (*more than 14%*) compared to BMT Centres non accredited

❖ **Jacie International Standards** for BMT activity **make safer** all procedures concerning “*collection, manipulation, processing and administration of haemopoietic stem cells*”

*EBMT REVIEW , JCO, 2010*

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# BMT Unit at BMKH : it's feasible

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# With the right “task force”

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# WITH A DEDICATED TEAM at BMKH !

After 1-2 years of strong  
“training” to  
doctors/nurses and Lab  
staff

Only in the setting of  
specific BMT structure and  
collaborative support  
facilities

Only if there is a strong  
maintenance of the  
training to the BMT staff  
members



# With determined collaborators !

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# WHEN?

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**It depends from :**

- ❑ our will-power and commitment**
  - ❑ a continued “training”**
  - ❑ a comprehensive financial support!**
  - ❑ assuring the maintenance of the BMT activity**
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# POSSIBLE ROAD MAP

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**Up to Feb 2020**

**Completion of :**

- BMT UNIT
- Pharmacy
- LAB
- BLOOD BANK
- Other Services

**Up to June 2020**

**Assessment of:**

- Acquired competences
  - Facilities availability
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# and ..launching of first BMT

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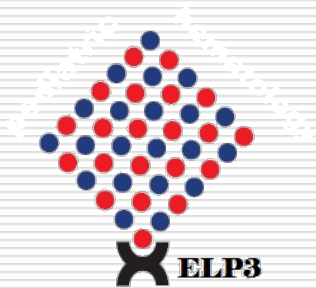


and ...have a nice job!



a special thanks to Italian Charities and to all  
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# Mountain top is approaching.....

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# Jacie on site Inspections

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## When?

- \* \* At the time of first accreditation
- \* \* Interim inspection on 2nd year
- \* \* Reaccreditation every 4 years

## About what?

- \* \* Three HSCT “facilities” ( i.e. AUDIT)
  - \* \* Patients clinical outcome
  - \* \* Organization standards (In and Outpatient Unit)
  - \* \* Documents, policies, procedures (high dose chemotherapy, HSCs infusion, management of errors and/or adverse events..)
  - \* \* Personnel education and training
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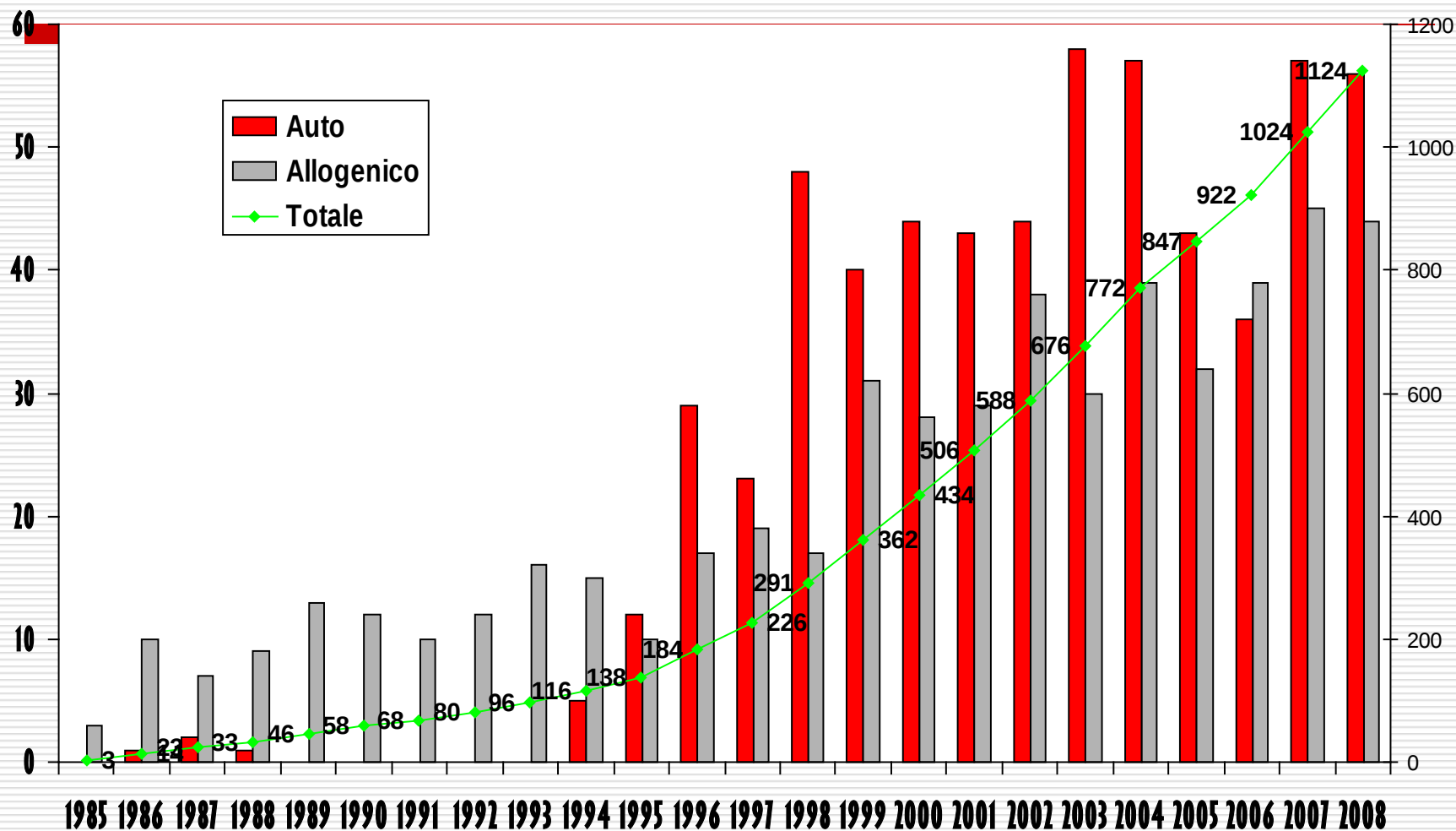
# Monza “adult and pediatric Centers” : Jacie Accreditation Process

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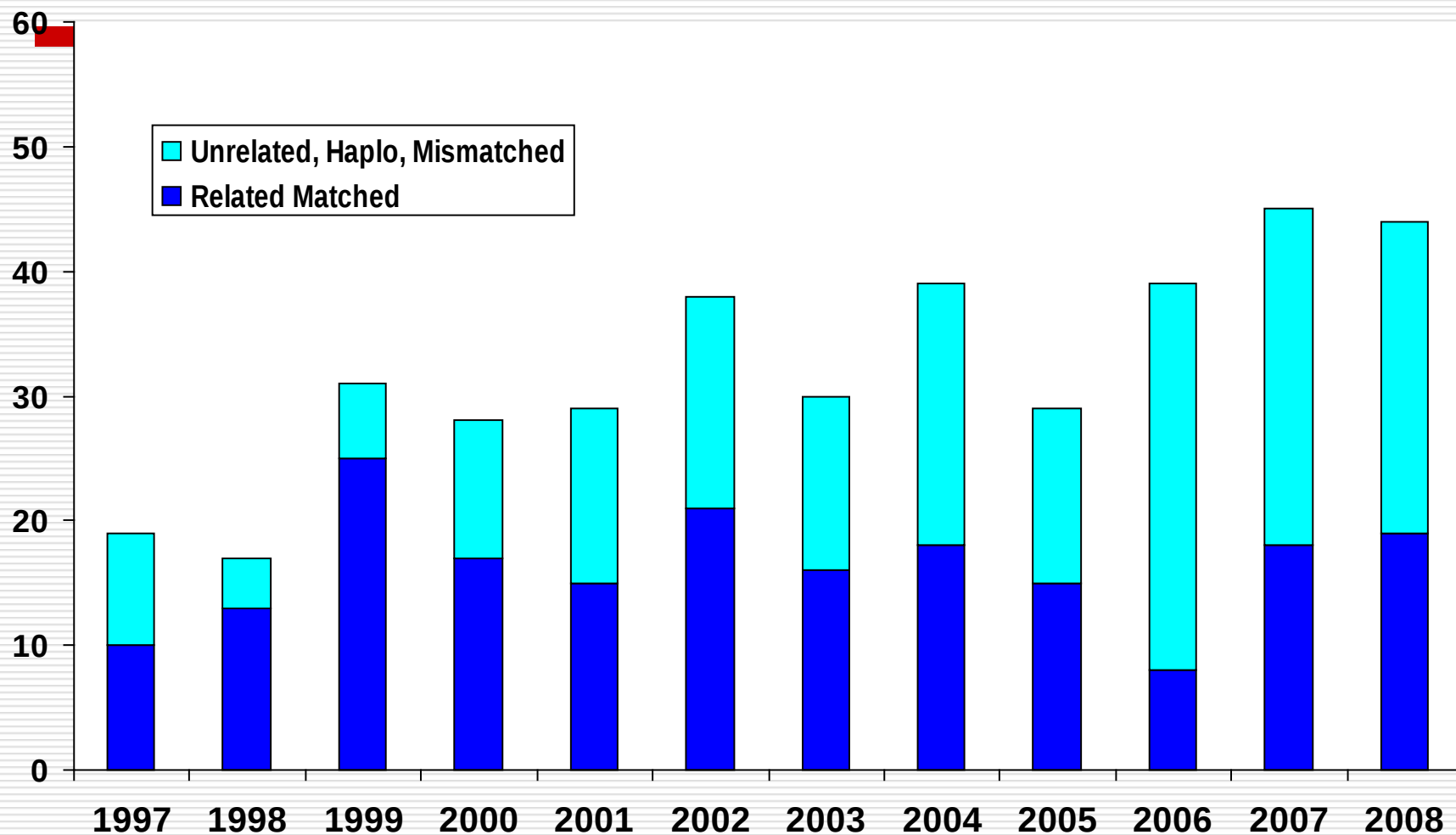
- First Accreditation : June 2008
  - Reaccreditation : June 2012
  - Total HSCTs = 1223 (since 1984)
  - Allo : 630 (60% MUD)
  - Auto: 583 (79% PBSC)
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# Monza HSCTs Activity per year :

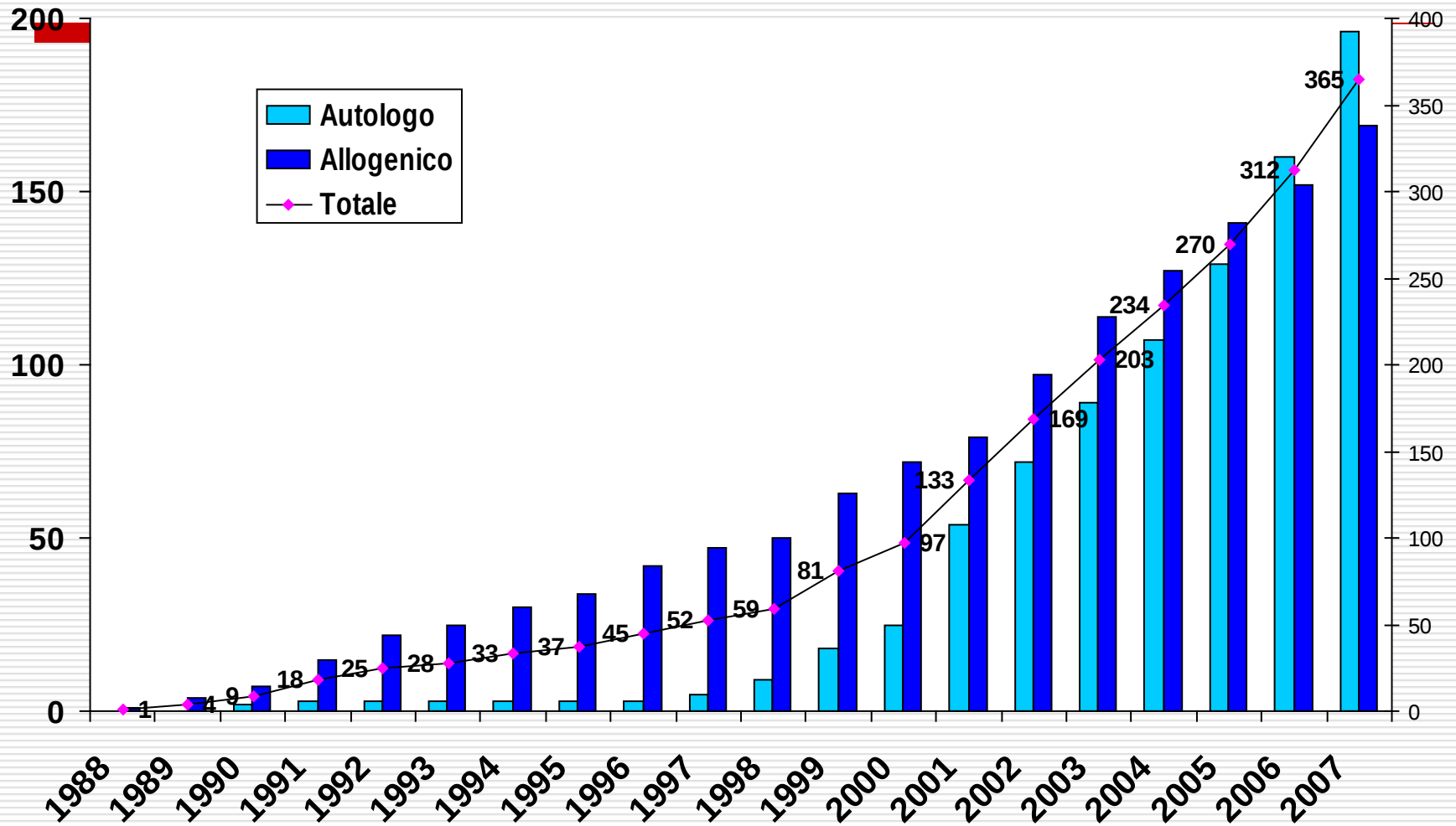
## 1985-2008



## Different types of Allo HSCTs performed in the period 1997 - 2008



# Patients cured per year in Monza HSCT Centers (= 700 PTS. alive and well with a follow up >3 years) 1988-2008



# Conclusion

**JACIE means :**

- ✓ A common approach for taking care of HSCT patients (see protocol, guidelines, procedures..)
- ✓ To guarantee the best results in terms of EFS and quality of life after HSCT
- ✓ A continuous improving for quality medical and laboratory practice in HSCT





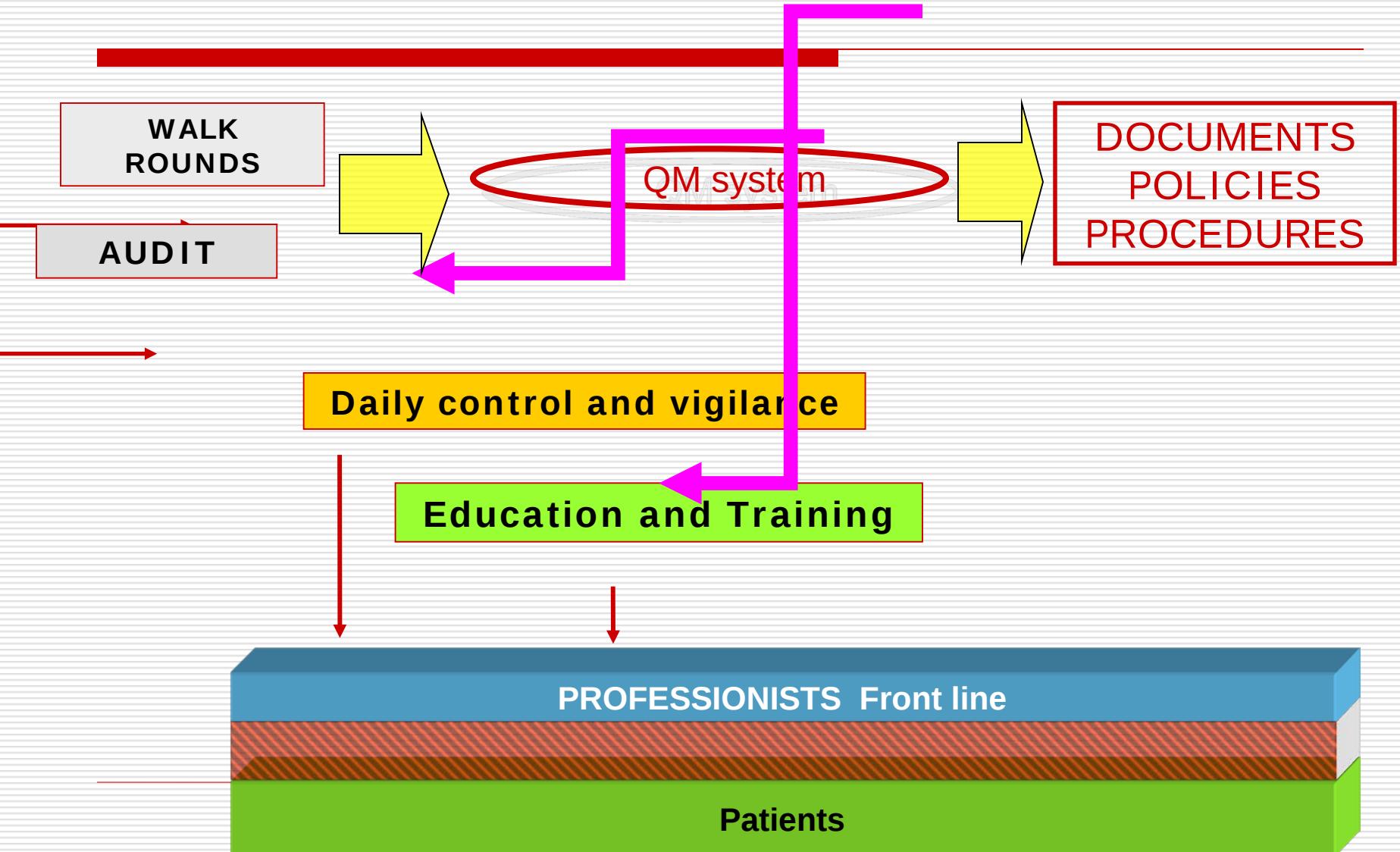








# *From the procedures to the actions of all HSCT personnel*



# PATOLOGIE TRATTATE NEI DUE CENTRI TRAPIANTO (1985-2008)

