

The Huge Potential of AI in CAR-T Cell Therapies

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Artificial Intelligence-driven, Decentralized Production for Advanced Therapies in the Hospital



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Improving CAR-T Cell Therapies

- **CAR-T Cell Therapy**: a transformative treatment in hematology for acute **leukaemia** and **lymphoma**
- Living drug paradigm: the patients' own **immune cells** are redirected to eliminate the cancerous cells
- Now: manual processes leading to **high costs**, **long production times** and **moderate chances** of success

How could **AI** approaches **improve** this?

- Lower treatment costs and shorten production times
- Highly potent & optimally adapted CAR-T cell products
- Smart 'bedside' provision of personalized treatments directly at the 'point-of-care'

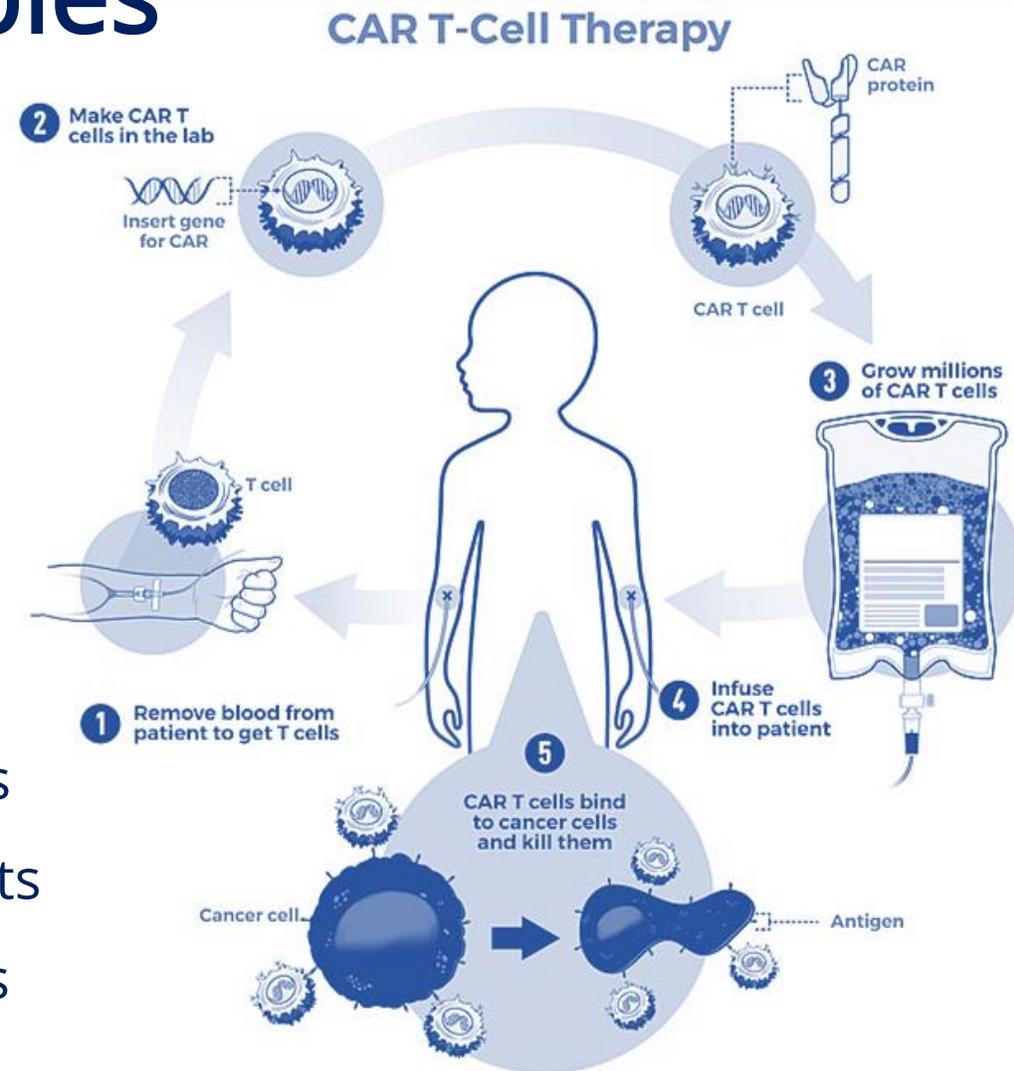
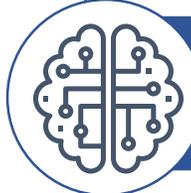


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AIDPATH: Main Objectives

-  Automated robotic, modular manufacturing platform for CAR-T cell treatments
-  Artificial Intelligence solutions supporting the end-to-end manufacturing process
-  IoT and Data Architecture enabling a continual AI learning and CAR-T process optimization
-  Business Model and Innovation Ecosystem



AIDPATH: Roles of AI

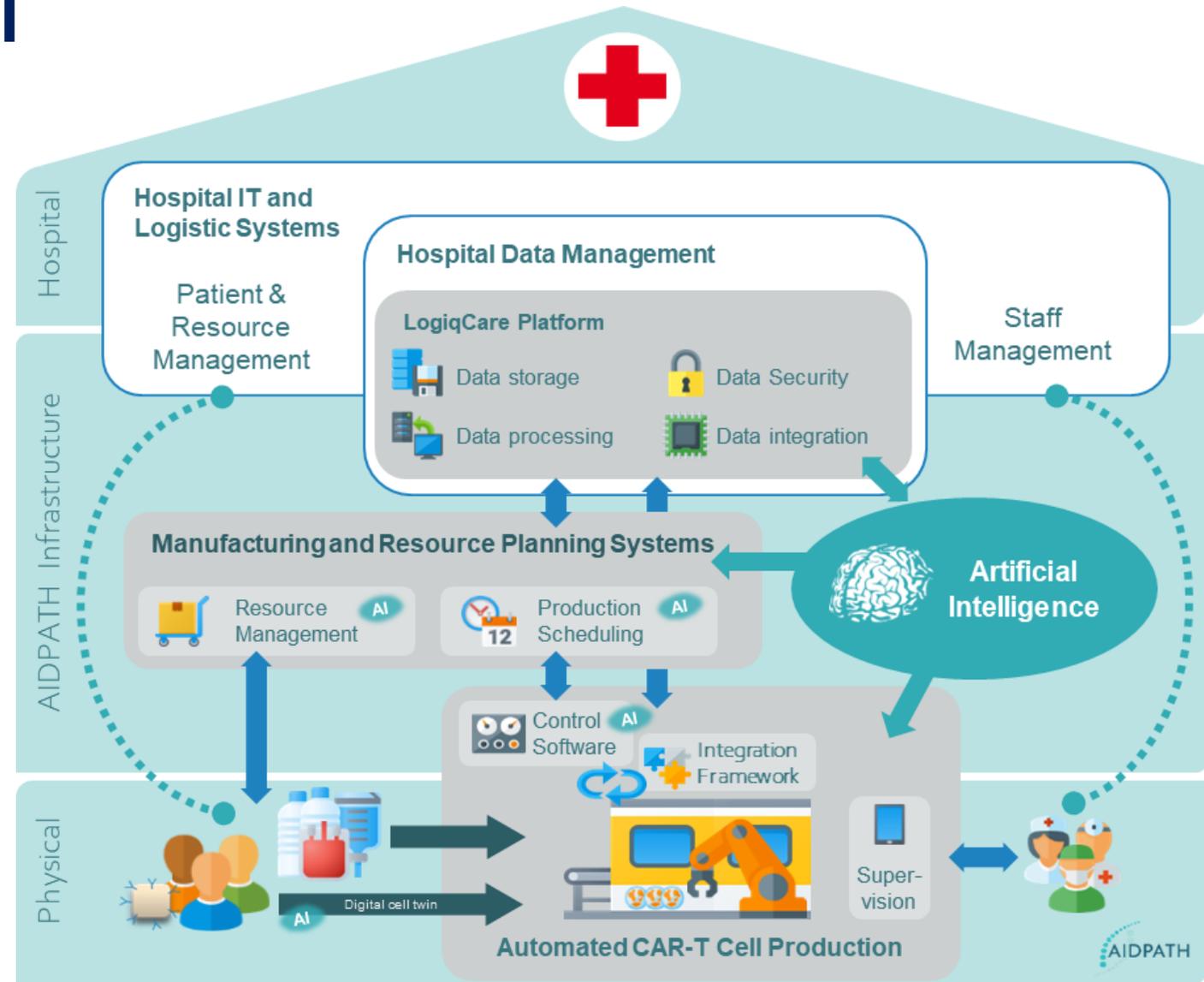
AI1: Modelling and Predicting
CAR-T Cell Expansion Process

AI2: Adaptive Online **Process Control** of the Bioreactor

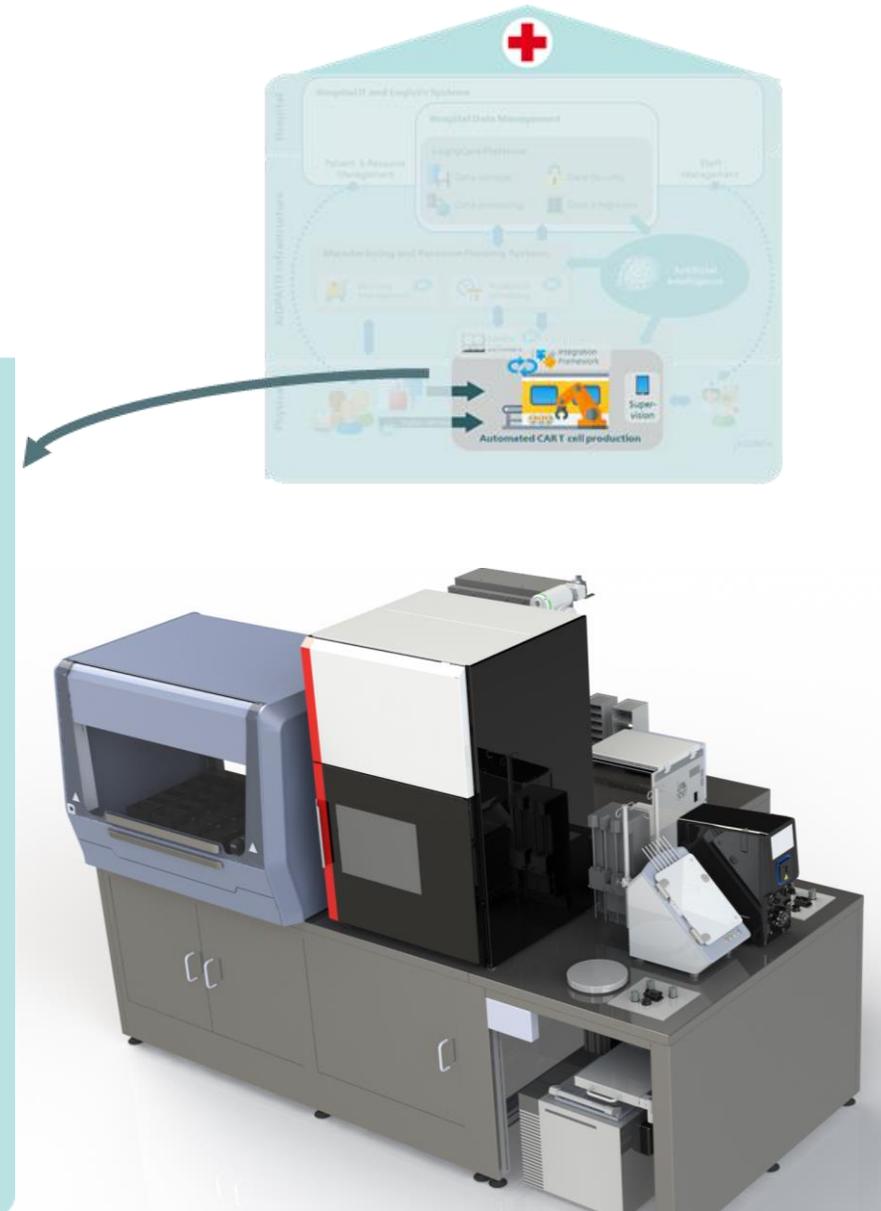
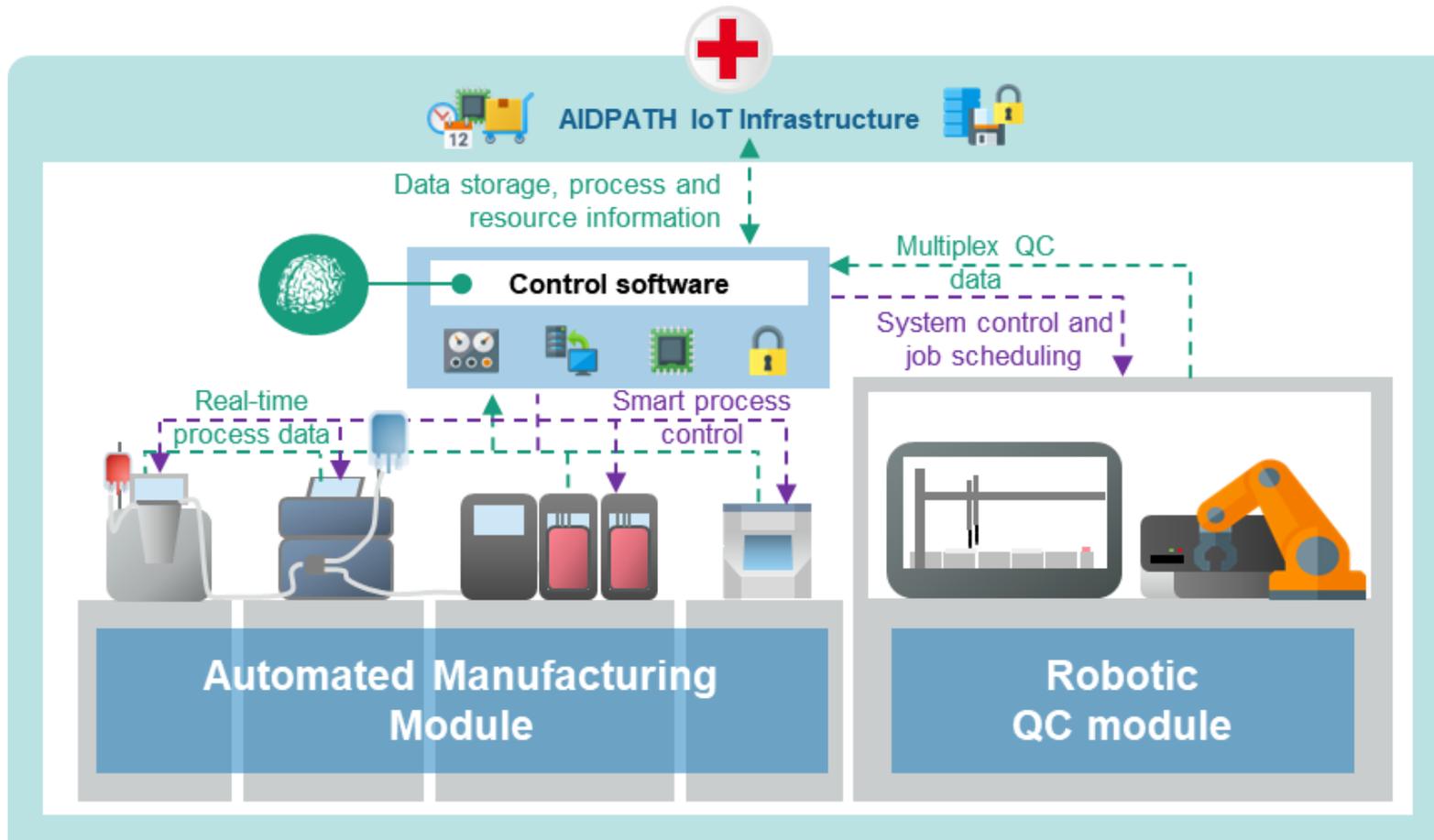
AI3: Robust **Production Scheduling** of the Platform

AI4: **Resource Management** of the Hospital Environment

AI5: **Clinical Decision Support** to Optimize the Treatments



Automated, AI-Driven CAR-T Cell Manufacturing Platform

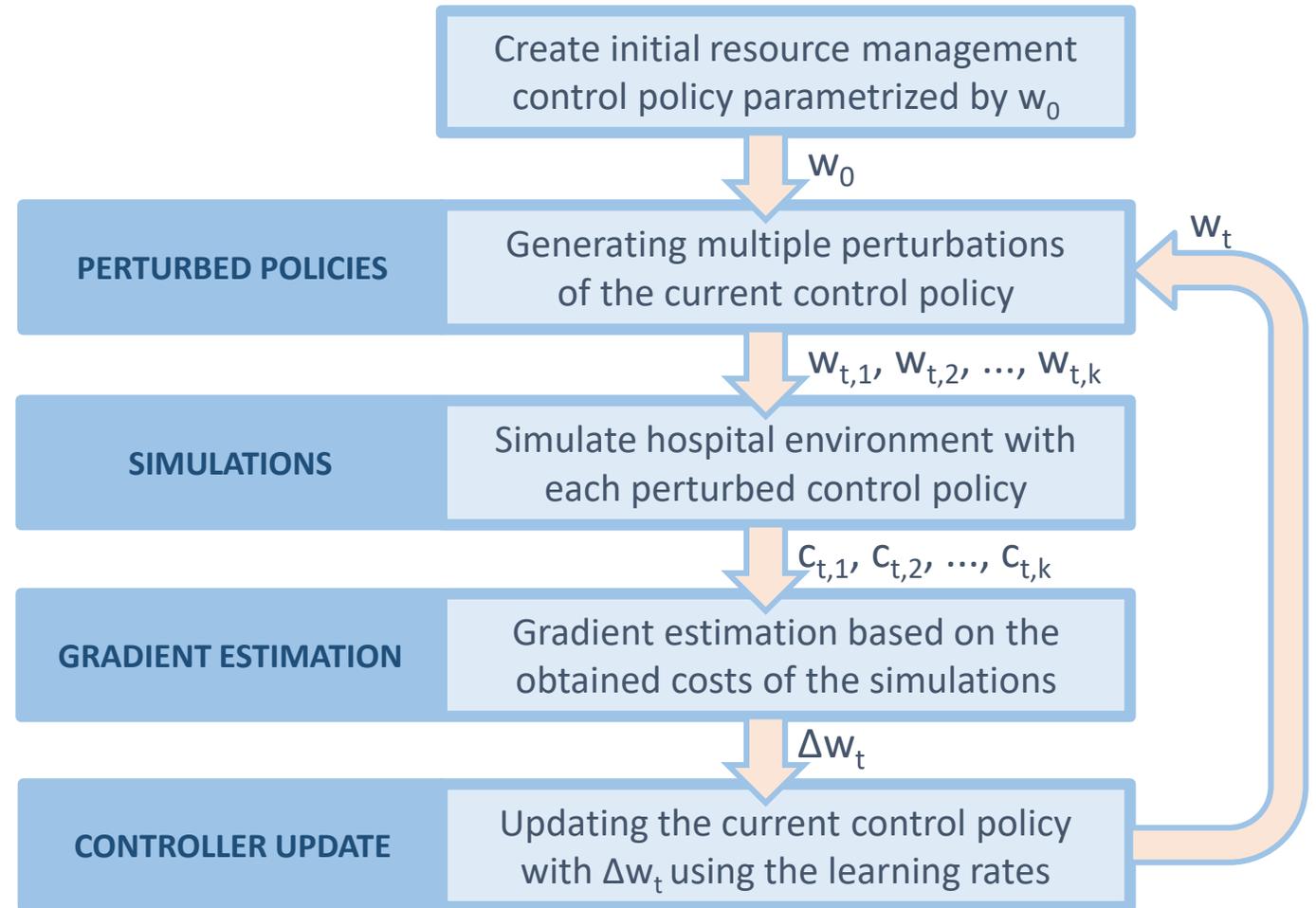
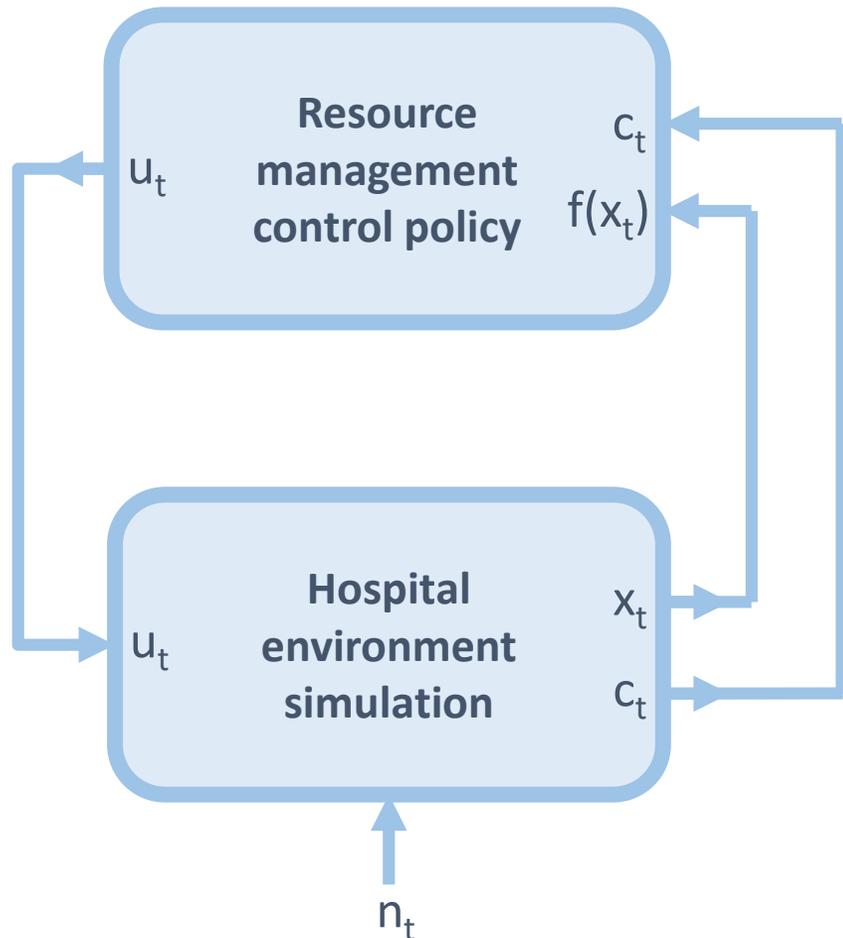


Resource Management

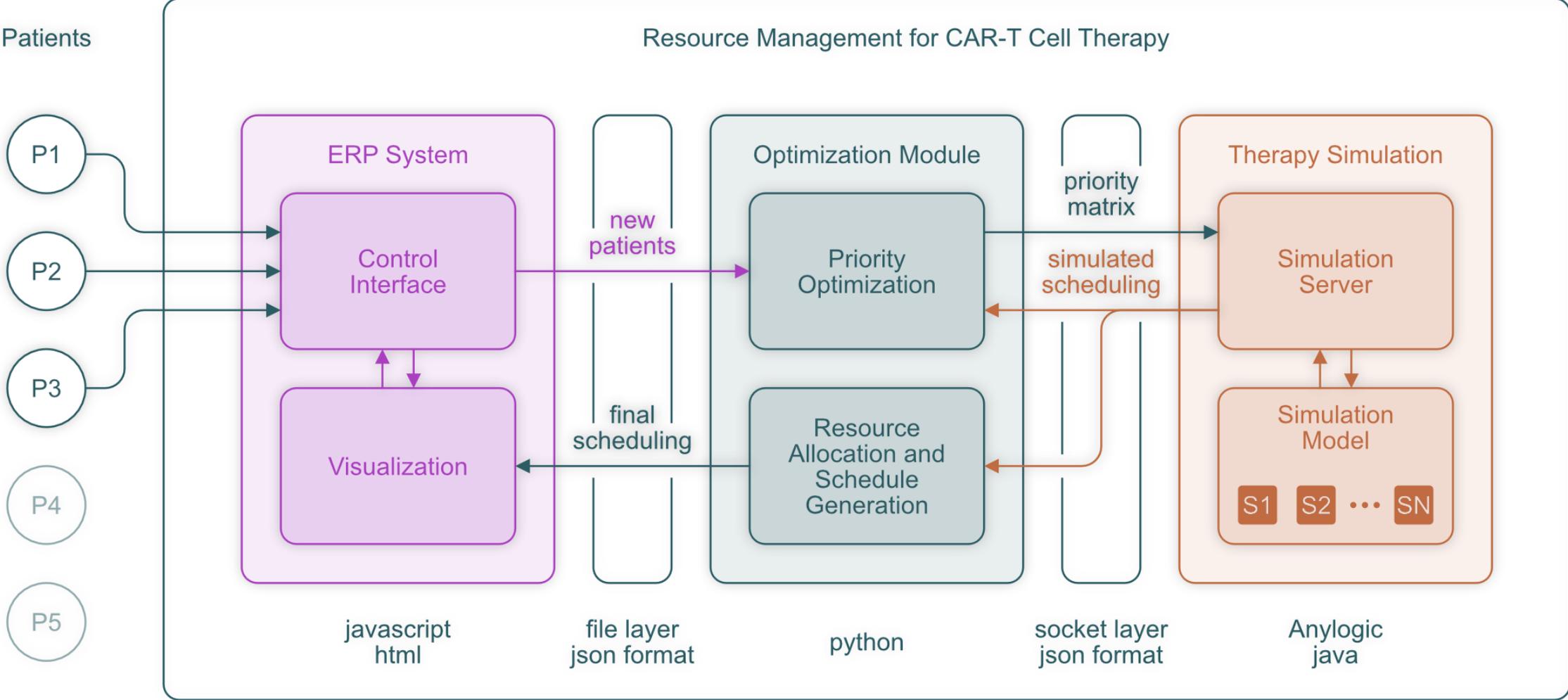
- Goal of AI4 module: efficiently **managing the resources** in the hospital environment
- Aim: **minimize protocol violations**, and various other secondary objectives during therapies
- The **staff** (physicians, nurses) and the medical **devices** are treated as **scarce, reusable resources**
- Tasks of a treatment are considered as **non-preemptive, time-dependent** and **interconnected**, e.g., precedence constraints
- The hospital environment is **modelled and simulated** in the cross-platform AnyLogic
- Finally, **resource management strategies** are optimized by using **reinforcement learning**



Reinforcement Learning for Resource Control



Resource Management Architecture



Visualization: Gantt Charts

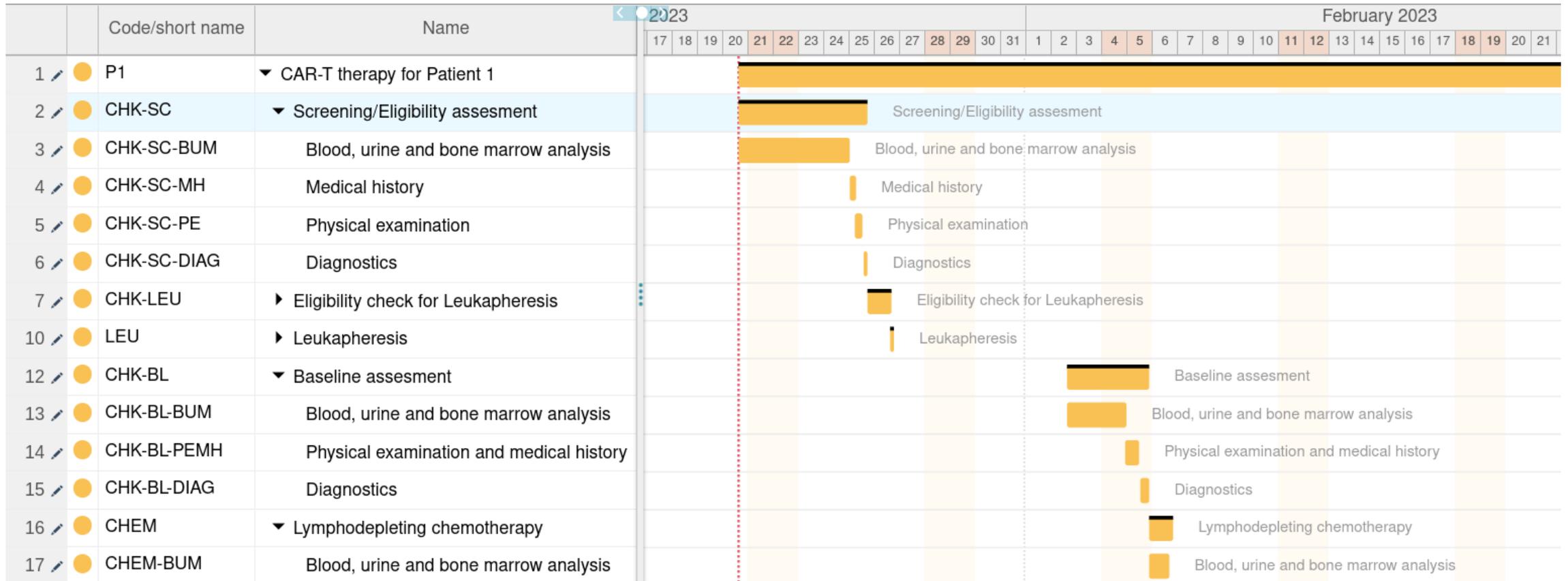


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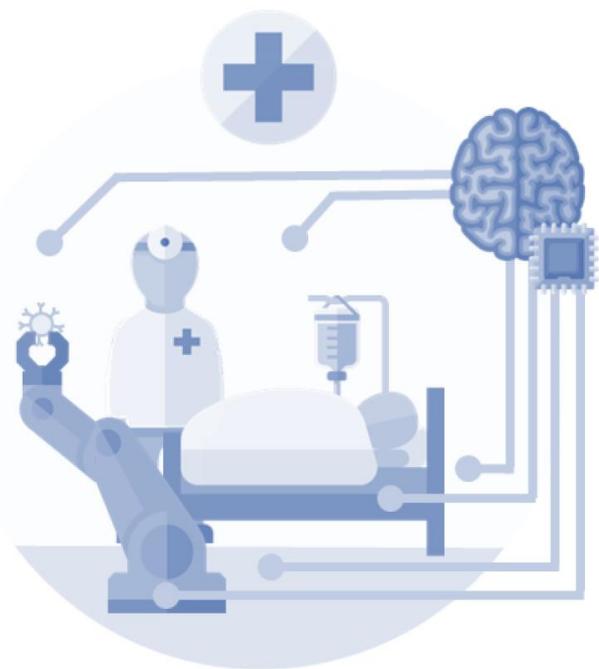
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