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Immunity to Microbes Principles of Vaccination

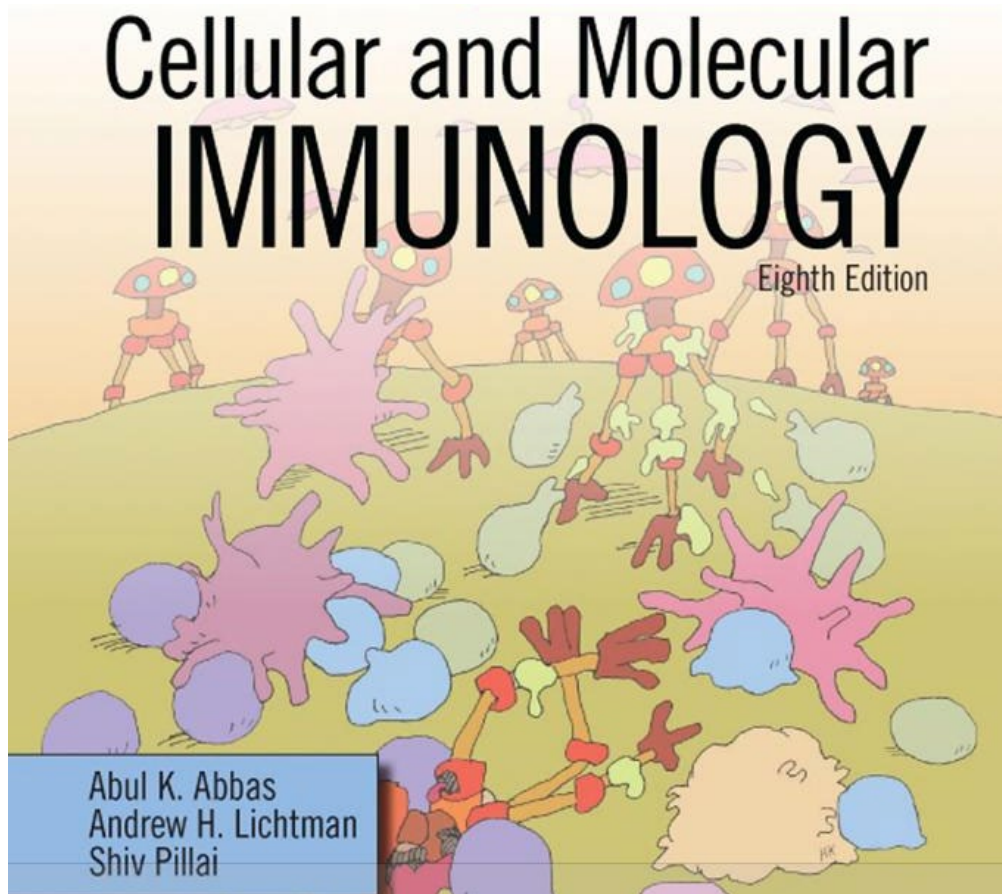
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Aims – immunity to microbes

- > **Understand the responses of the innate, adaptive, humoral and cellular immune system to the major classes of microbes**
 - Extracellular bacteria
 - Intracellular bacteria
 - Fungi
 - Viruses
 - Parasites

- > **Mechanisms of immune evasion by microbes**

- > **Understand key concepts of immunological pathogenicity mediated by microbes**



Figures from 6th/8th Ed.

Innate and adaptive immunity

Table 1–2. Features of Innate and Adaptive Immunity

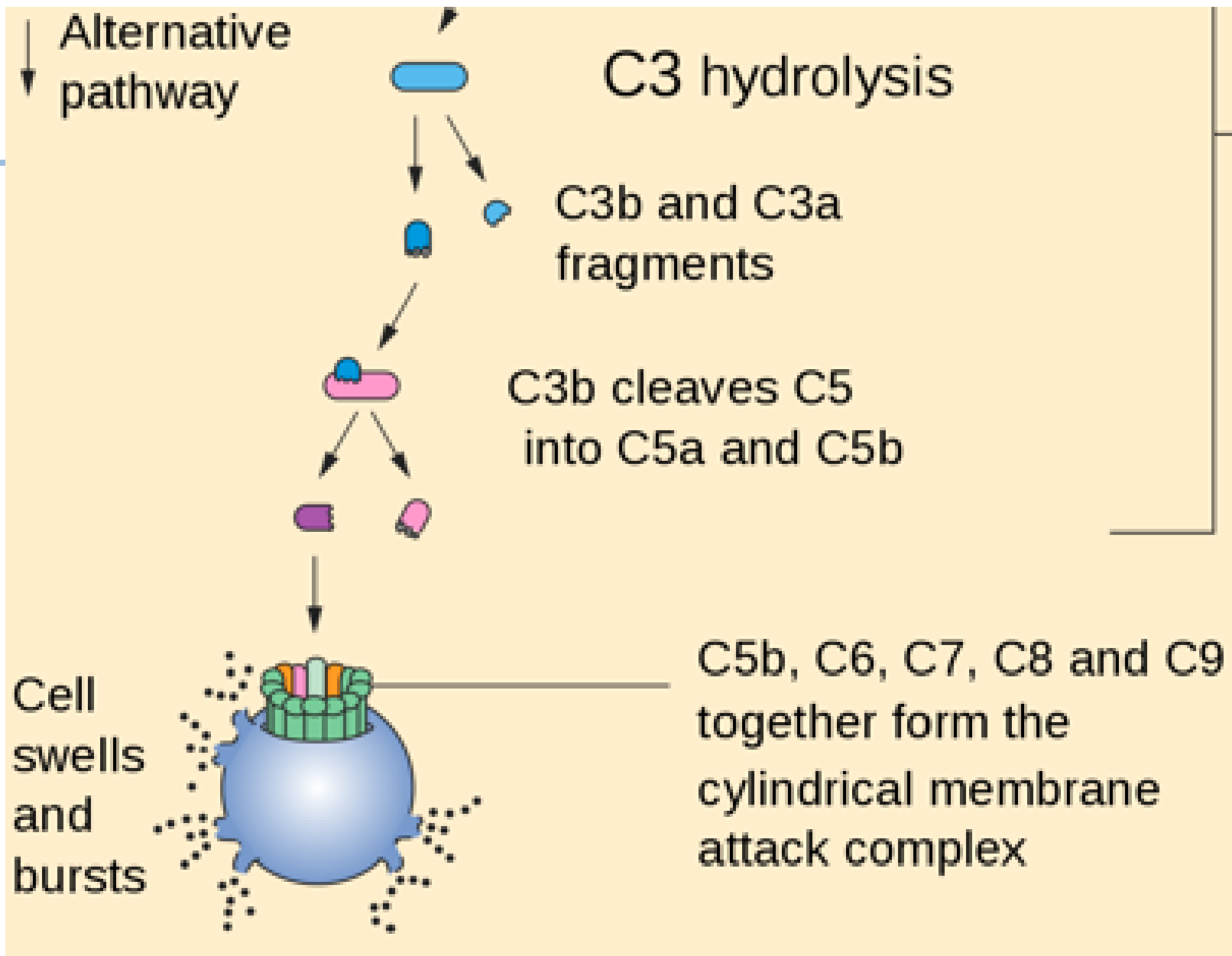
	Innate	Adaptive
Characteristics		
Specificity	For structures shared by groups of related microbes	For antigens of microbes and for nonmicrobial antigens
Diversity	Limited; germline-encoded	Very large; receptors are produced by somatic recombination of gene segments
Memory	None	Yes
Nonreactivity to self	Yes	Yes
Components		
Cellular and chemical barriers	Skin, mucosal epithelia; antimicrobial chemicals	Lymphocytes in epithelia; antibodies secreted at epithelial surfaces
Blood proteins	Complement, others	Antibodies
Cells	Phagocytes (macrophages, neutrophils), natural killer cells	Lymphocytes

Innate immune response to extracellular bacteria

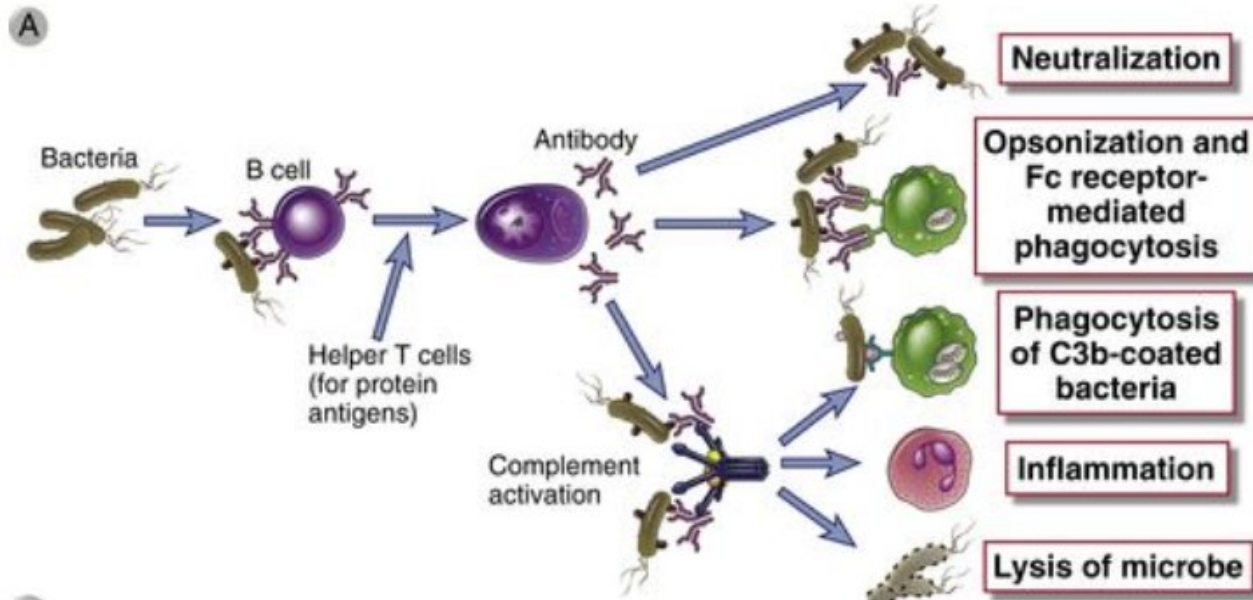
- > **Complement activation** (alternative pathway) through
 - > -Peptidoglycan in the cell wall of Gram-positive bacteria
 - Lipopolysaccharide in Gram-negative bacteria by
 - by mannose on bacterial surface

Leads to

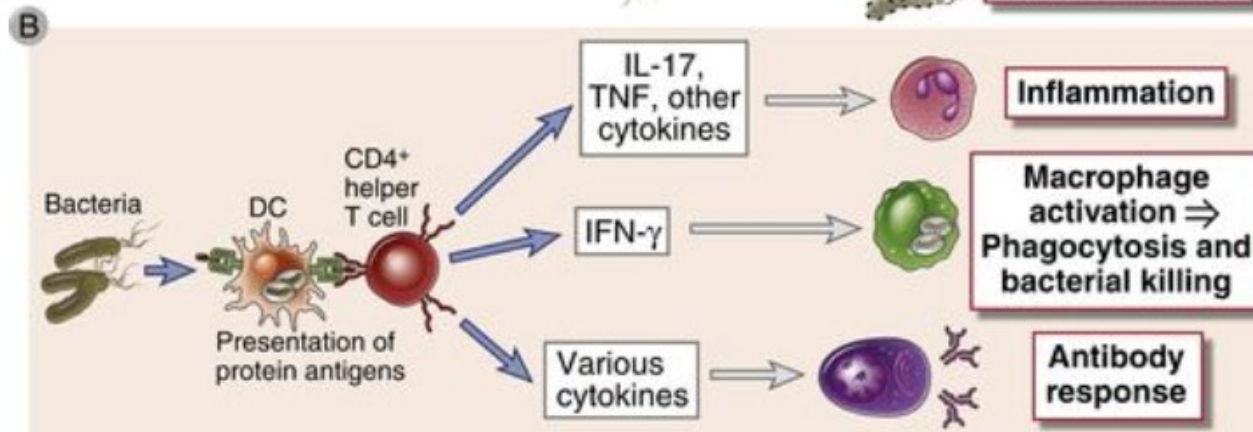
- > **Opsonization and enhanced phagocytosis**
- > **Lysis of susceptible bacteria** by membran attack complex
- > **Activation of phagocytes and inflammation**



Adaptive immune response to extracellular bacteria

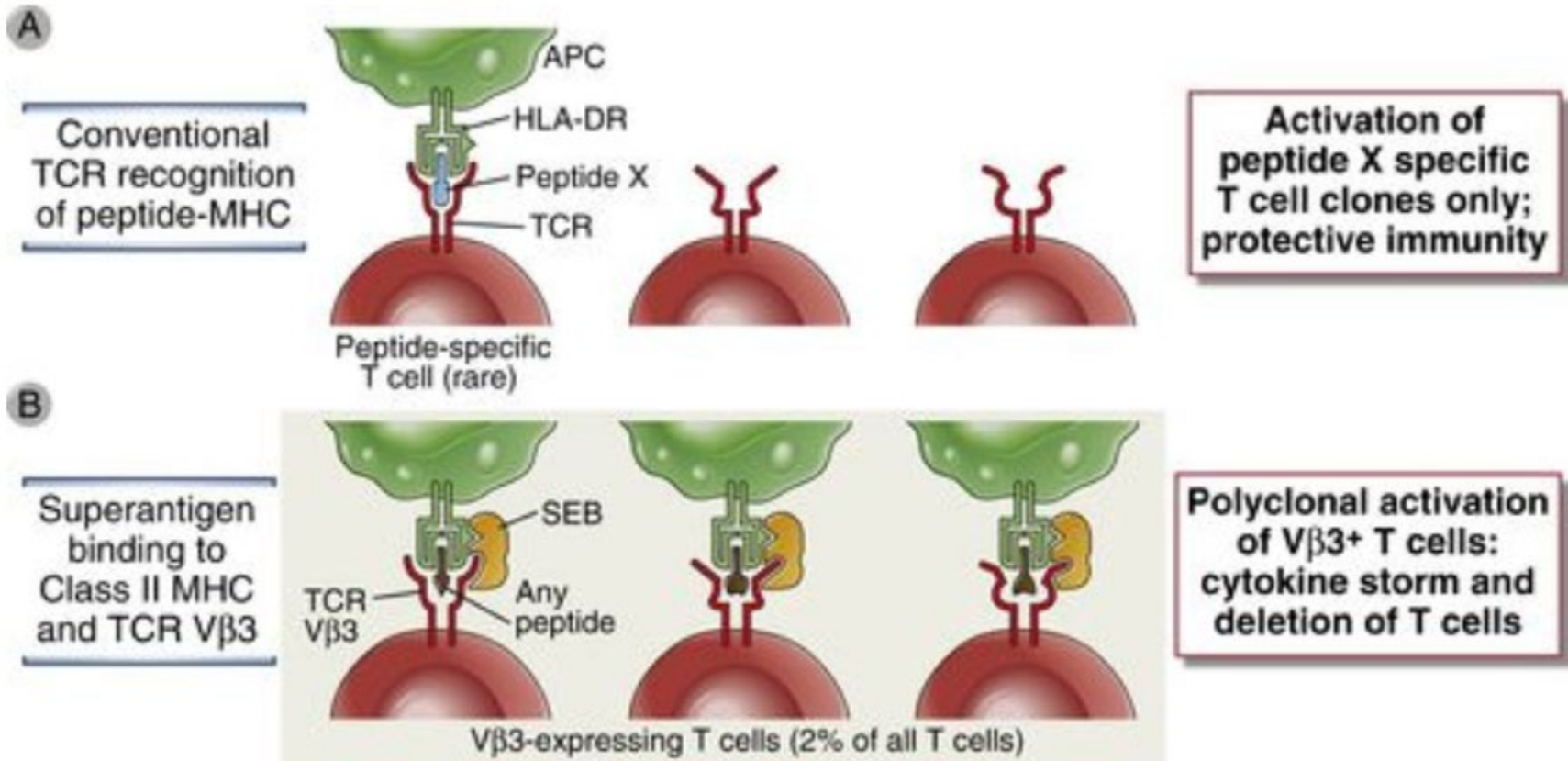


Antibody production



CD4 response

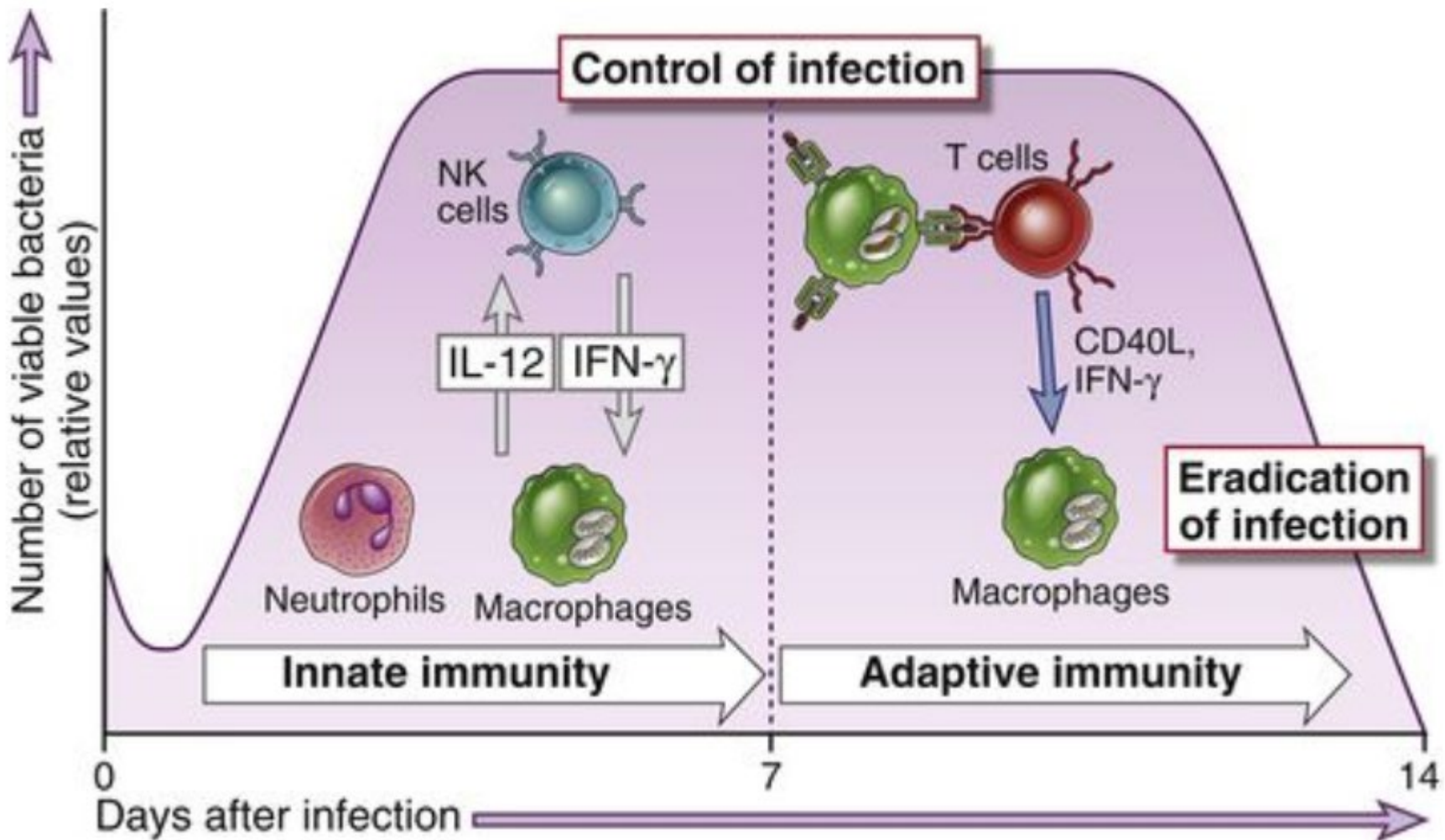
Bacterial superantigen may lead to injurious effects of the immune response



Immune response to intracellular bacteria

Microbe	Examples of Human Diseases
Intracellular Bacteria	
Mycobacteria	Tuberculosis, leprosy
<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>	Listeriosis
<i>Legionella pneumophila</i>	Legionnaires' disease

Dynamic of the immune response to intracellular bacteria



Adaptive immune response to intracellular bacteria: CD4⁺/CD8⁺ cooperation

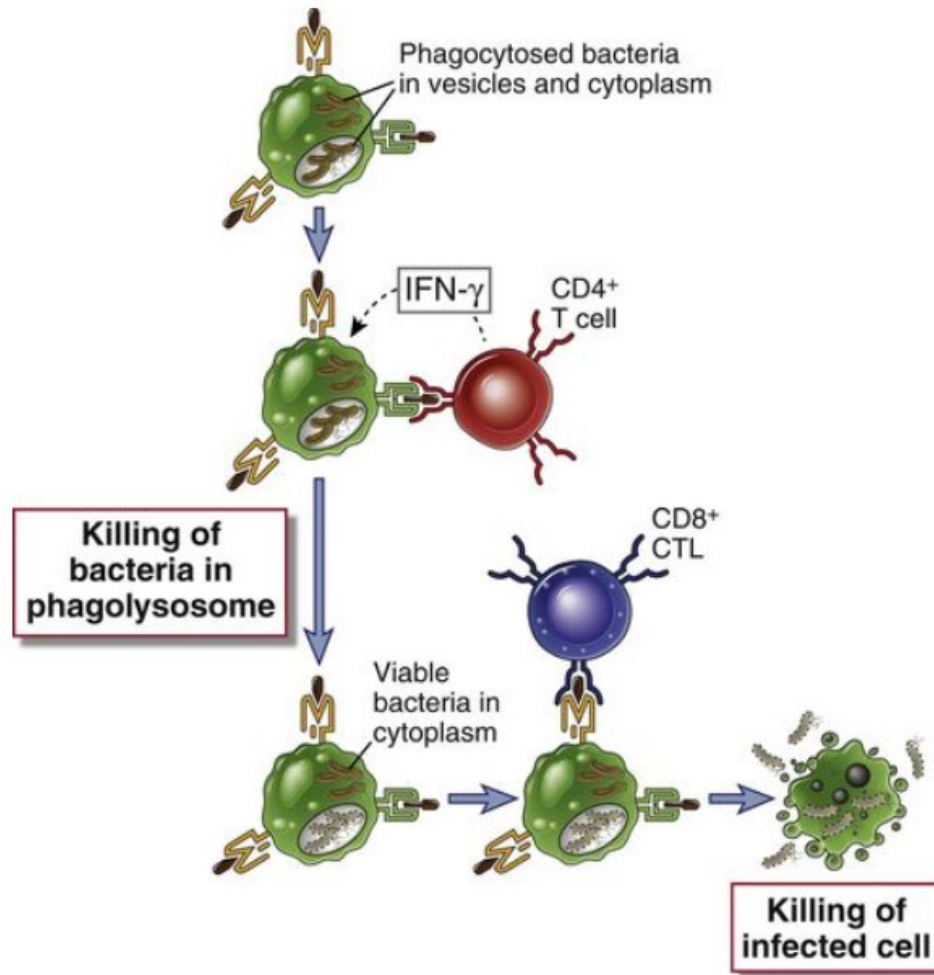
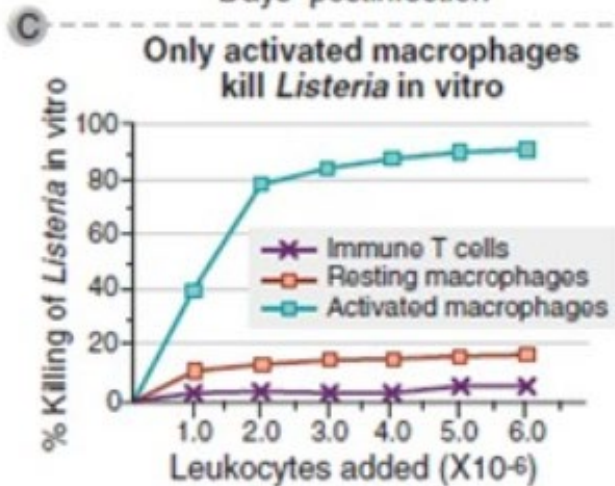
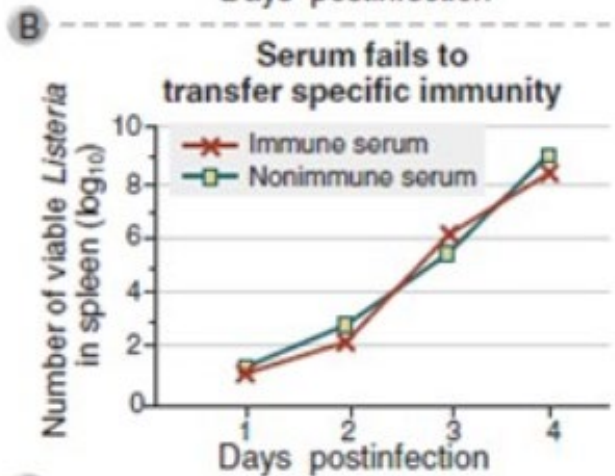
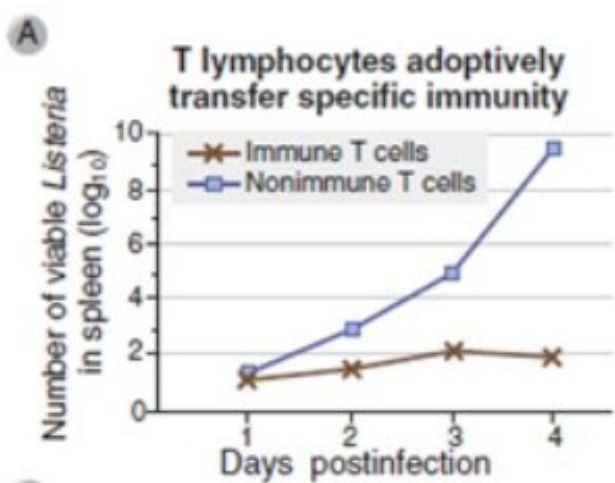


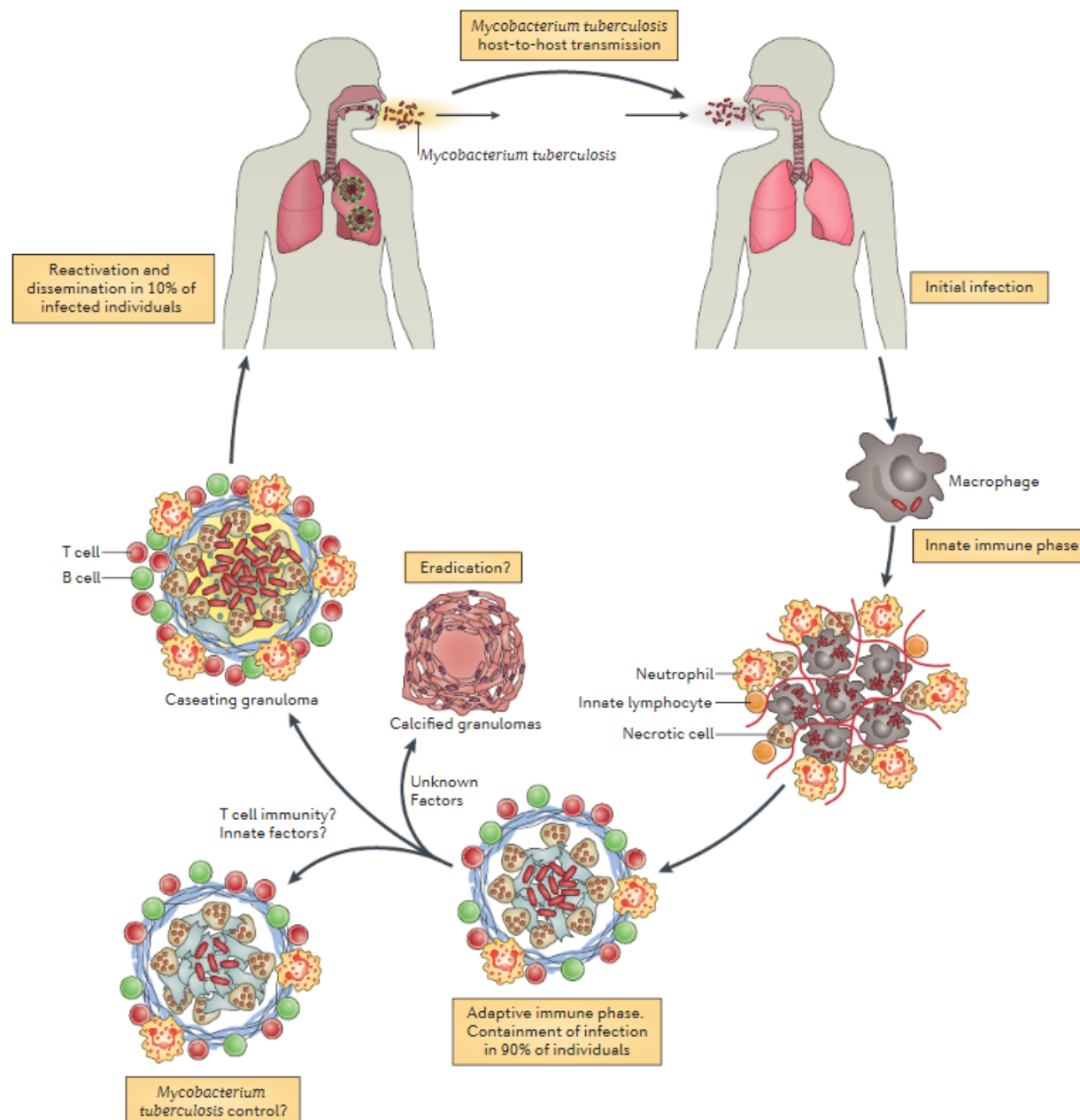
FIGURE 16-5 Cooperation of CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ T cells in defense

Cell-mediated immunity to *Listeria monocytogenes*

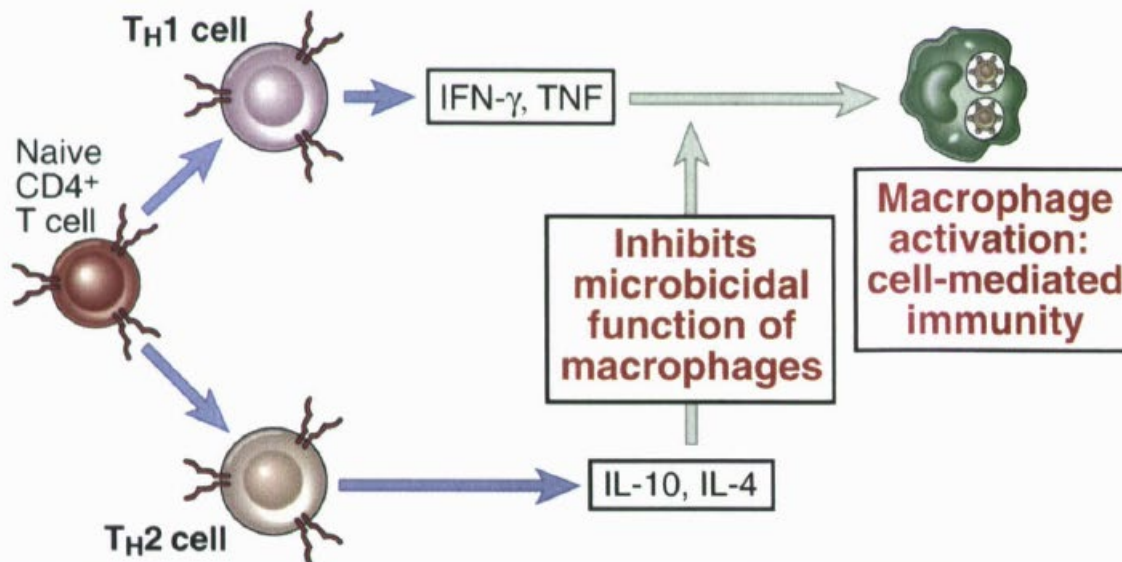


Granulomatous reaction – pathologic response to persistent intracellular bacteria

- > Example *Mycobacterium* spp
- > With T-cell help (IFN-gamma) macrophages are activated and have enhanced ability to kill intracellular bacteria
- > **Cell wall components inhibit fusion of phagocytic vacuoles with lysosomes**
- > Some mycobacteria persist
- > Granulomatous reaction: central necrosis, multinucleated giant cells, walled off by lymphocytes contains «latent» infection in 90% of patients
- > Genetic polymorphism or any kind of immunosuppression can lead to loss of control either shortly or years after infection



Importance of T_H1 and T_H2 response

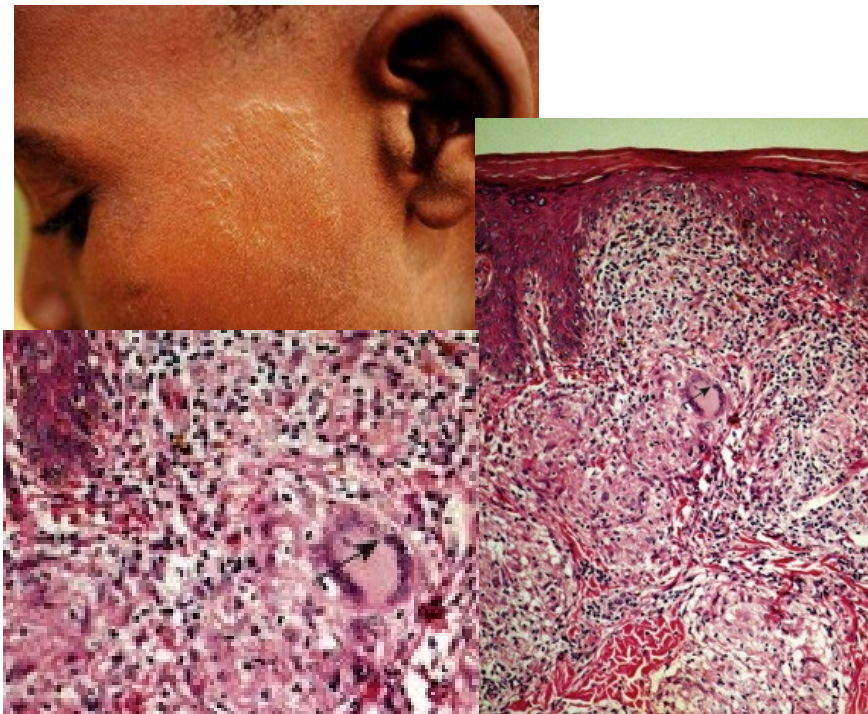


<i>Mycobacterium leprae</i>	Some patients: T _H 1	⇒ Tuberculoid leprosy
	Some patients: Defective T _H 1 or dominant T _H 2	⇒ Lepromatous leprosy (high bacterial count)

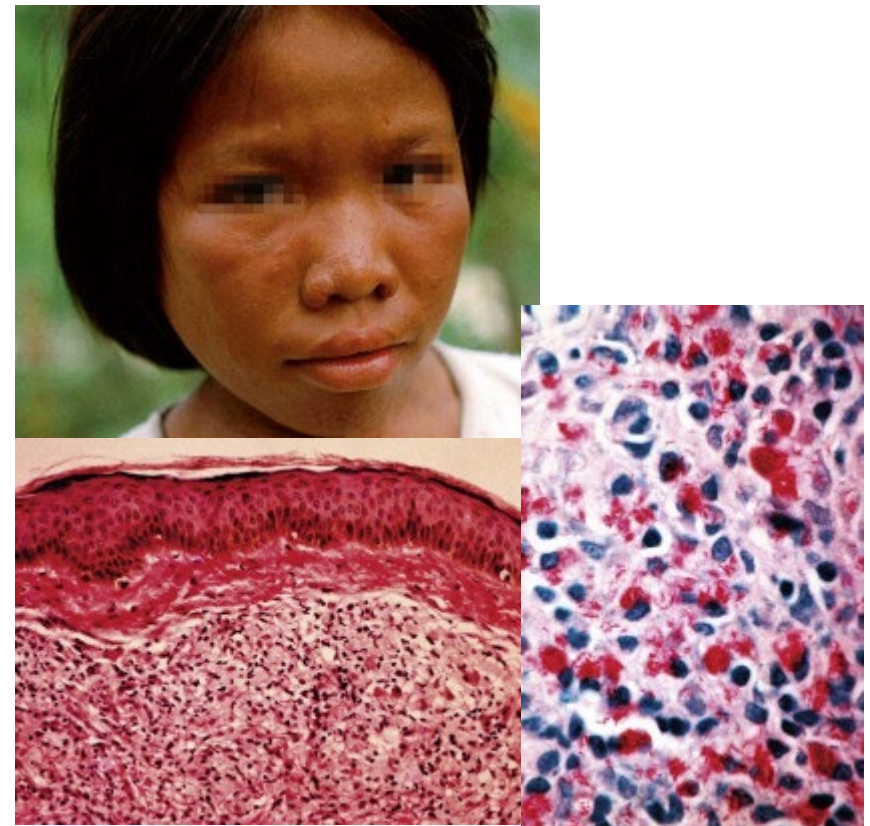
Leprosy

Mycobacterium leprae

T_H1 Tuberculoid leprosy



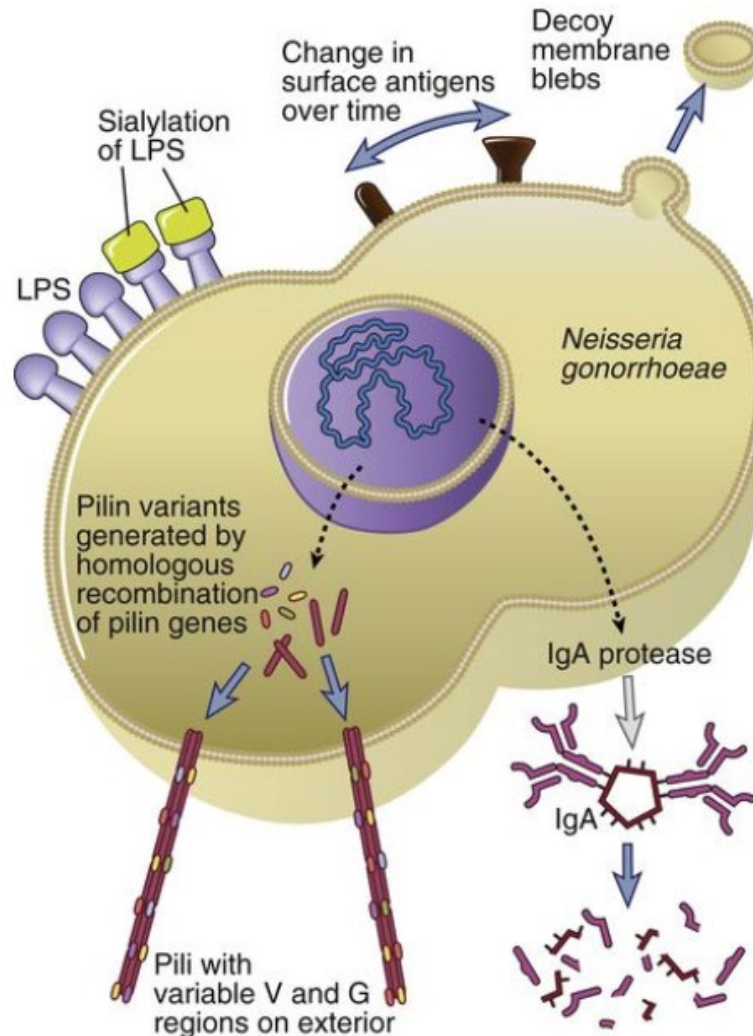
T_H2 Lepromatous leprosy



Immune evasion by bacteria (examples)

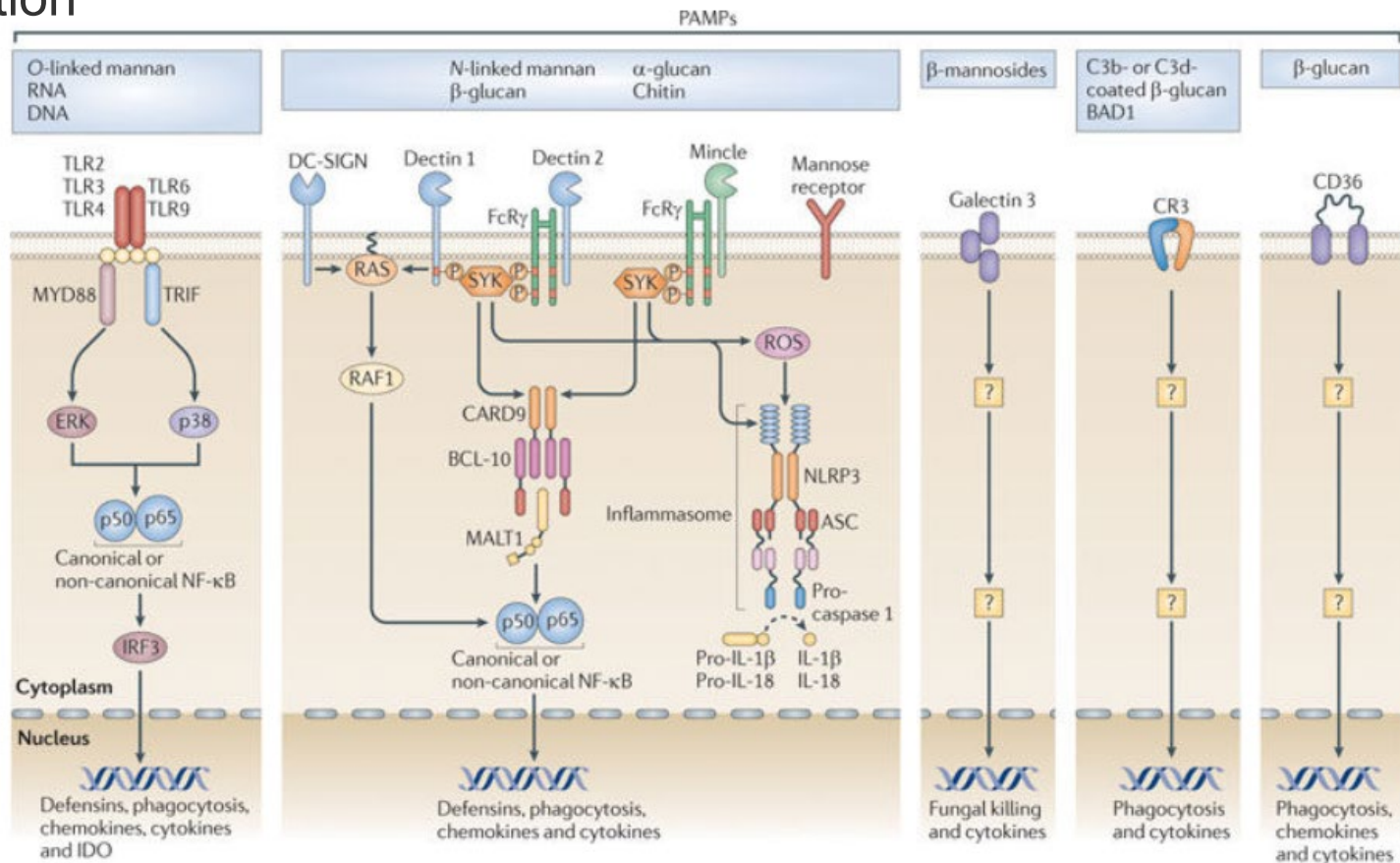
Mechanism of Immune Evasion	Examples
Extracellular Bacteria	
Antigenic variation	<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> , <i>Escherichia coli</i> , <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i>
Inhibition of complement activation	Many bacteria
Resistance to phagocytosis	<i>Pneumococcus</i> , <i>Neisseria meningitidis</i>
Scavenging of reactive oxygen species	Catalase-positive staphylococci
Intracellular Bacteria	
Inhibition of phagolysosome formation	<i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> , <i>Legionella pneumophila</i>
Inactivation of reactive oxygen and nitrogen species	<i>Mycobacterium leprae</i> (phenolic glycolipid)
Disruption of phagosome membrane, escape into cytoplasm	<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> (hemolysin protein)

Immune evasion by bacteria (schematic, example *N. gonorrhoeae*)



Immunity to fungi: innate response

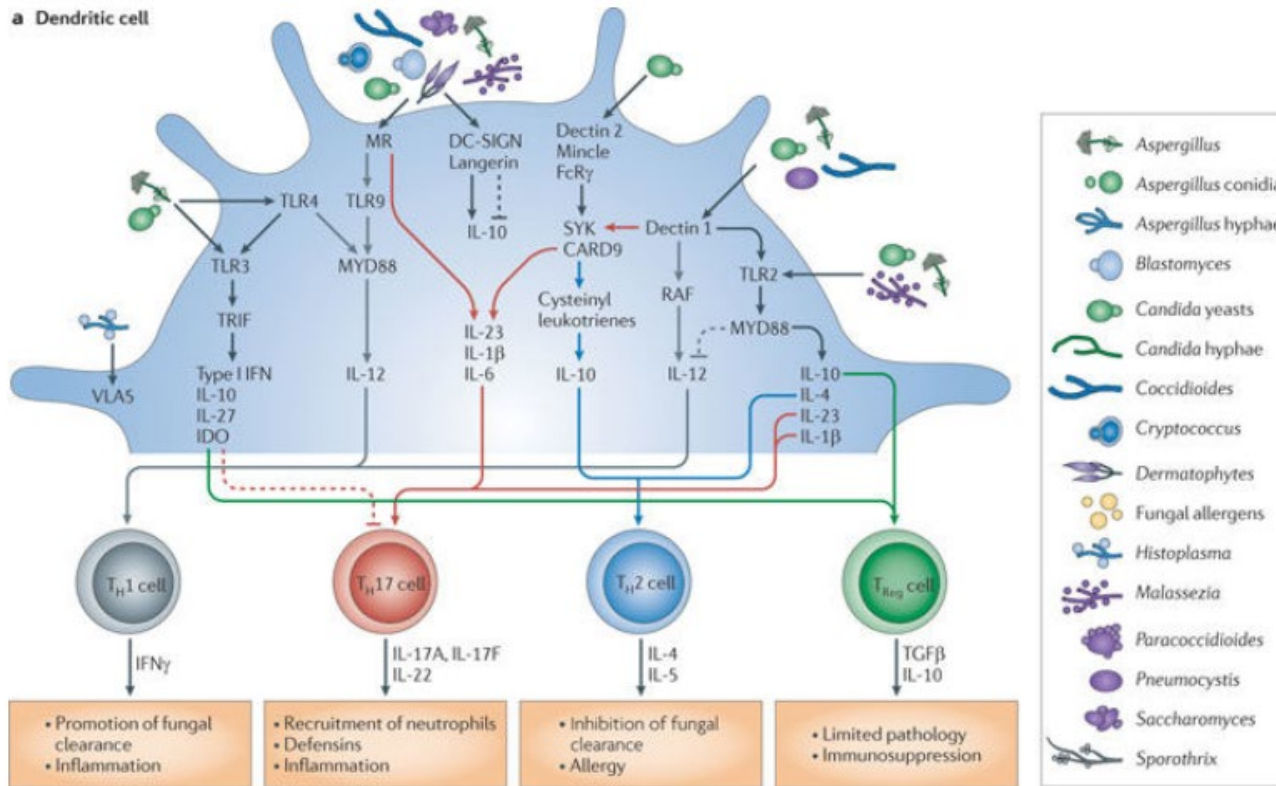
- > Innate response mainly by phagocytes (neutrophils and macrophages)
- > Liberation of radical oxygen species, lysozyme, intracellular digestion



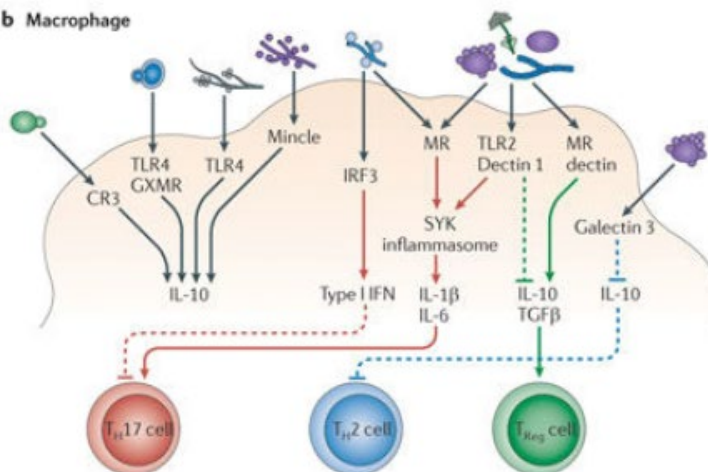
Adaptive Immunity to fungi

- > Adaptive response to fungi
 - Intracellular: mainly CD4/CD8 cooperation (similar as for bacteria); Th1 responses; tendency to chronic granulomatous inflammation
 - Antibodies may exert some protection
- > Immune evasion (inhibition of cytokine production in phagocytes)

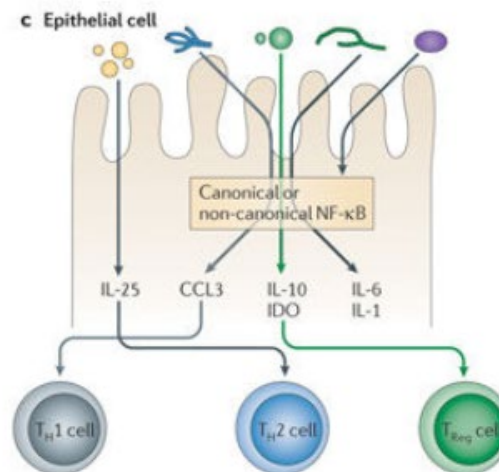
a Dendritic cell



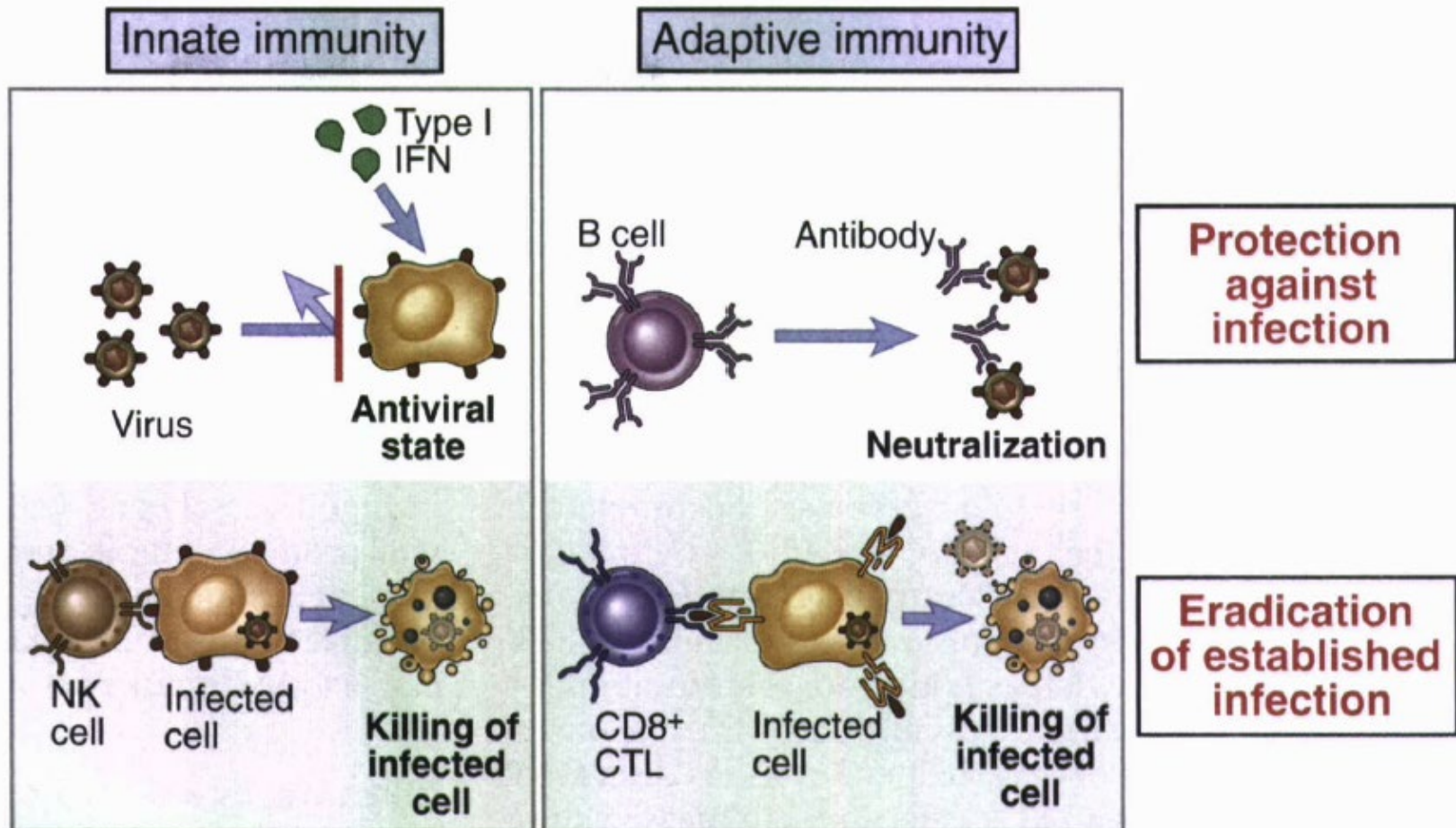
b Macrophage



c Epithelial cell



Innate and adaptive immune responses against viruses



Innate immune responses against viruses

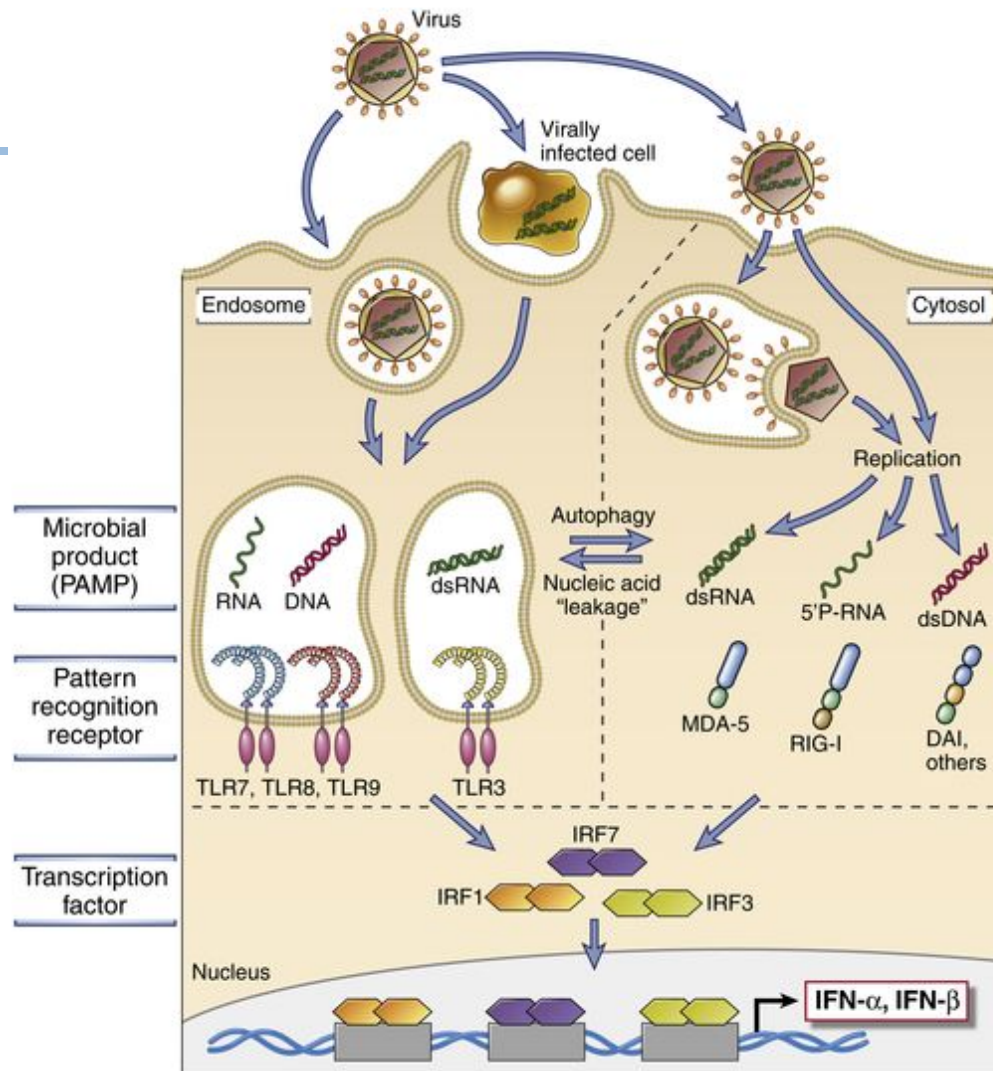


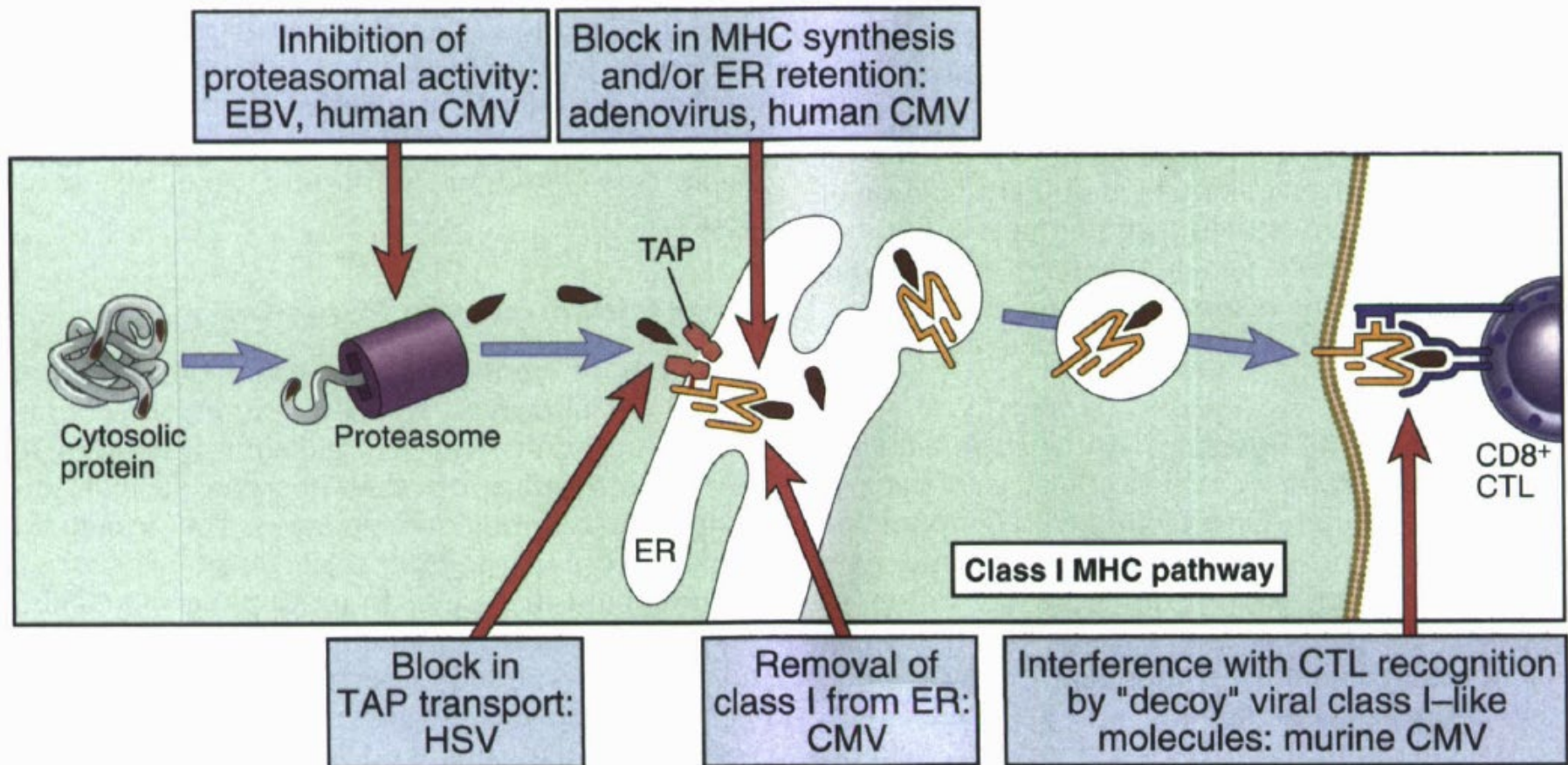
FIGURE 4-16 Mechanisms of induction of type I interferons by viruses. Viral nucleic acids and proteins are recognized by several cellular receptor families (TLRs, the family of cytosolic RIG-like receptors, or RLRs, which include MDA-5, RIG-I, DAI and others, and cytosolic DNA sensors), which activate transcription factors (the IRF proteins) that stimulate the production of type I interferons IFN-α and IFN-β.

Viral immune evasion: overview

Mechanism of immune evasion	Examples
Antigenic variation	Influenza, rhinovirus, HIV
Inhibition of antigen processing	
Blockade of TAP transporter	Herpes simplex
Removal of class I molecules from the ER	Cytomegalovirus
Production of cytokine receptor homologs	Vaccinia, poxviruses (IL-1, IFN- γ) Cytomegalovirus (chemokine)
Production of immunosuppressive cytokine	Epstein-Barr virus (IL-10)
Infection of immunocompetent cells	HIV

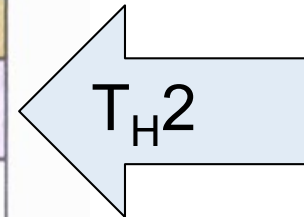
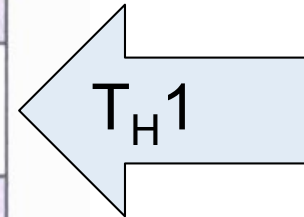
Abbreviations: ER, endoplasmic reticulum; HIV, human immunodeficiency virus; TAP, transporter associated with antigen processing.

Evasion from immune response: Inhibition of antigen processing by viruses



Immune response to protozan parasites

Parasite	Diseases	Principal mechanisms of protective immunity
Protozoa		
<i>Plasmodium</i> species	Malaria	Antibodies and CD8 ⁺ CTLs
<i>Leishmania donovani</i>	Leishmaniasis (mucocutaneous, disseminated)	CD4 ⁺ T _H 1 cells activate macrophages to kill phagocytosed parasites
<i>Trypanosoma brucei</i>	African trypanosomiasis	Antibodies
<i>Entamoeba histolytica</i>	Amebiasis	Antibodies, phagocytosis
Metazoa		
<i>Schistosoma</i> species	Schistosomiasis	ADCC mediated by eosinophils, macrophages
Filaria, e.g., <i>Wuchereria bancrofti</i>	Filariasis	Cell-mediated immunity; role of antibodies?

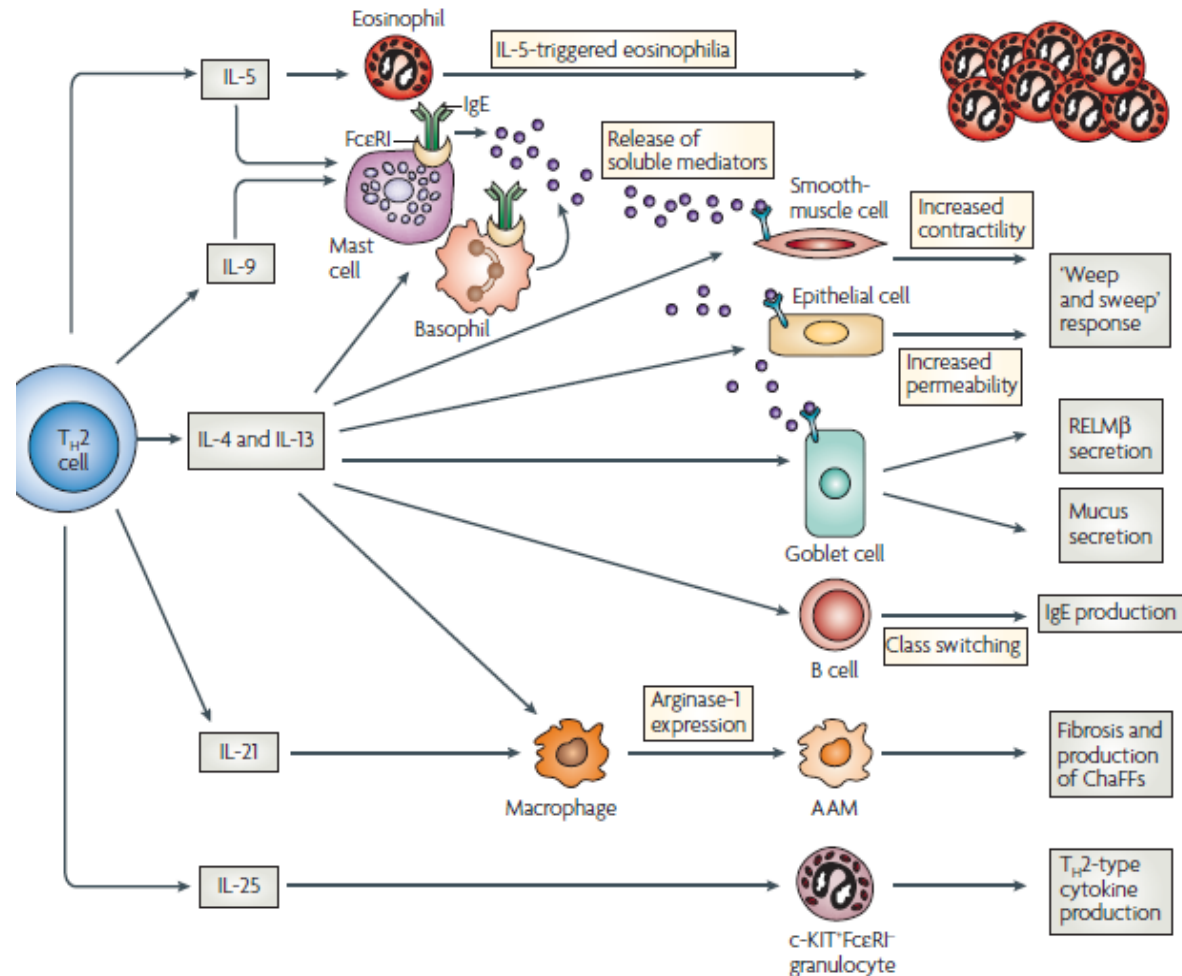


Abbreviations: ADCC, antibody-dependent cell-mediated cytotoxicity; CTLs, cytotoxic T lymphocytes.

Helminth infection induces T_H2 response

Helminths too big for
«normal» immune
response (phagocytosis,
CTL)

But basic protein of
eosinophils can destroy
helminths and mast cell
mediators lead to
expulsion of helminths



T_H2 effector functions

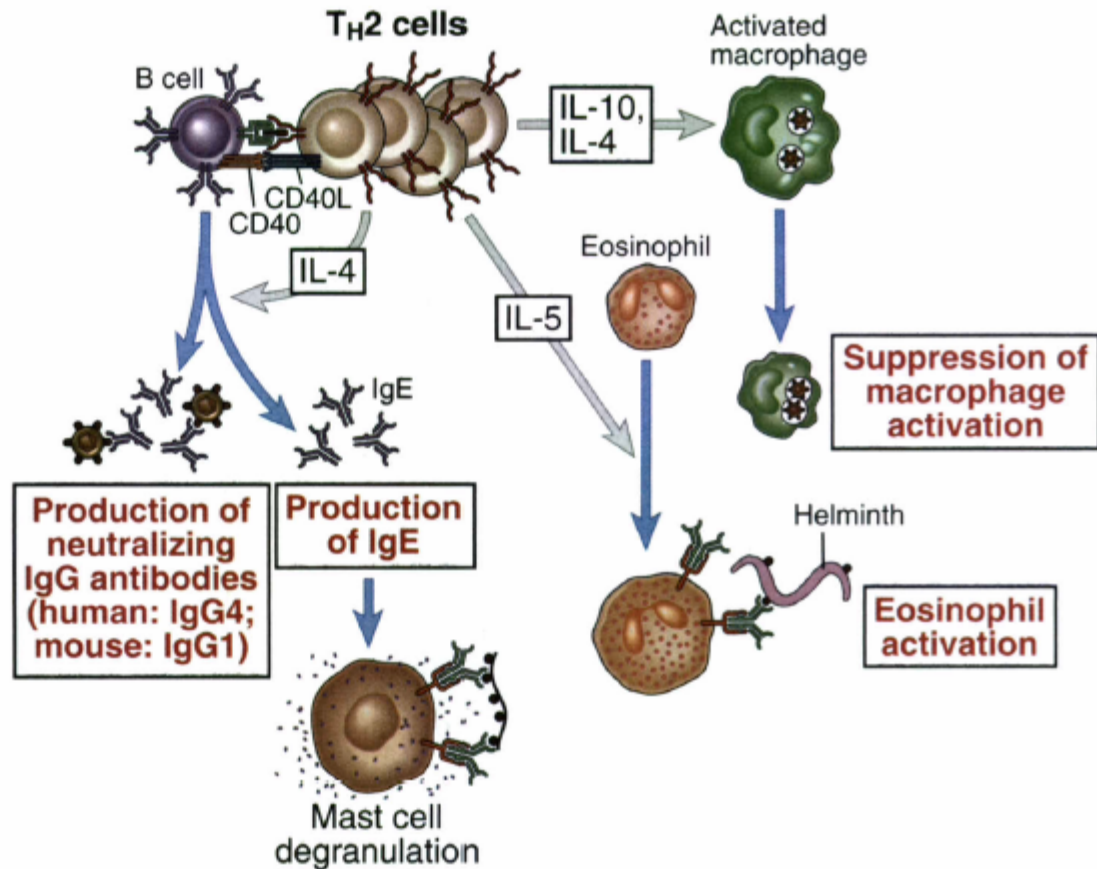


FIGURE 13-13 Effector functions of T_H2 cells. CD4⁺ T cells that differentiate into T_H2 cells secrete IL-4 and IL-5. IL-4 acts on B cells to stimulate production of antibodies that bind to mast cells, such as IgE. IL-4 is also an autocrine growth and differentiation cytokine for T_H2 cells. IL-5 activates eosinophils, a response that is important for defense against helminthic infections. Cytokines from T_H2 cells also inhibit macrophage activation and T_H1-mediated reactions. APC, antigen-presenting cell.

Immune evasion by parasites

Mechanism of Immune Evasion	Examples
Antigenic variation	Trypanosomes, <i>Plasmodium</i>
Acquired resistance to complement, CTLs	Schistosomes
Inhibition of host immune responses	Filaria (secondary to lymphatic obstruction), trypanosomes
Antigen shedding	Entamoeba

CTL, cytotoxic T lymphocyte.

Immunological pathogenicity mediated by microbes

- > Direct killing of host cells infected
- > Killing or functional impairment of host cells by toxins
 - Endotoxins: liberated by lysis of the microbe, component of cell envelope or cytoplasm
 - Exotoxins: secreted
- > By stimulating immune responses damaging infected and uninfected (innocent bystander) host cells
- > Immunological sequelae: molecular mimicry, immune complexes...

Microbe	Examples of Human Diseases	Mechanisms of Pathogenicity
Extracellular Bacteria		
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	Skin and soft-tissue infections, lung abscess Systemic: toxic shock syndrome, food poisoning	Skin infections: acute inflammation induced by toxins; cell death caused by pore-forming toxins Systemic: enterotoxin ("superantigen")-induced cytokine production by T cells causing skin necrosis, shock, diarrhea
<i>Streptococcus pyogenes</i> (group A)	Pharyngitis Skin infections: impetigo, erysipelas; cellulitis Systemic: scarlet fever	Acute inflammation induced by various toxins (e.g., streptolysin O damages cell membranes)
<i>Streptococcus pyogenes</i> (pneumococcus)	Pneumonia, meningitis	Acute inflammation induced by cell wall constituents; pneumolysin is similar to streptolysin O
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	Urinary tract infections, gastroenteritis, septic shock	Toxins act on intestinal epithelium chloride and water secretion; endotoxin (LPS) stimulates cytokine secretion by macrophages
<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	Diarrhea (cholera)	Cholera toxin ADP ribosylates G protein subunit, which leads to increased cyclic AMP in intestinal epithelial cells and results in chloride secretion and water loss
<i>Clostridium tetani</i>	Tetanus	Tetanus toxin binds to the motor end plate at neuromuscular junctions and causes irreversible muscle contraction
<i>Neisseria meningitidis</i> (meningococcus)	Meningitis	Acute inflammation and systemic disease caused by potent endotoxin
<i>Corynebacterium diphtheriae</i>	Diphtheria	Diphtheria toxin ADP-ribosylates elongation factor 2 and inhibits protein synthesis

Intracellular Bacteria		
<i>Mycobacteria</i>	Tuberculosis, leprosy	Macrophage activation resulting in granulomatous inflammation and tissue destruction
<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>	Listeriosis	Listeriolysin damages cell membranes
<i>Legionella pneumophila</i>	Legionnaires' disease	Cytotoxin lyses cells and causes lung injury and inflammation
Fungi		
<i>Candida albicans</i>	Candidiasis	Acute inflammation; binds complement proteins
<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	Aspergillosis	Invasion and thrombosis of blood vessels causing ischemic necrosis and cell injury
<i>Histoplasma capsulatum</i>	Histoplasmosis	Lung infection caused by granulomatous inflammation

Viruses		
Polio	Poliomyelitis	Inhibits host cell protein synthesis (tropism for motor neurons in the anterior horn of the spinal cord)
Influenza	Influenza pneumonia	Inhibits host cell protein synthesis (tropism for ciliated epithelium)
Rabies	Rabies encephalitis	Inhibits host cell protein synthesis (tropism for peripheral nerves)
Herpes simplex	Various herpes infections (skin, systemic)	Inhibits host cell protein synthesis; functional impairment of immune cells
Hepatitis B	Viral hepatitis	Host CTL response to infected hepatocytes
Epstein-Barr virus	Infectious mononucleosis; B cell proliferation, lymphomas	Acute infection: cell lysis (tropism for B lymphocytes) Latent infection: stimulates B cell proliferation
Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)	Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS)	Multiple: killing of CD4 ⁺ T cells, functional impairment of immune cells (see Chapter 20)

Aims – Principles of Vaccination

Introduction

The federal vaccine program

Types of vaccines currently in use, including their advantages and disadvantages

The impact of the route of administration of a vaccine

Important effectors of vaccine response

Importance of adjuvant / examples

Introduction to the term „herd immunity“

„New“ vaccines

Introduction to vaccines

- > Continuous race between host and pathogen
- > For exclusive human pathogens: important co-evolution
- > Different pathogens – different strategies
- > Co-existence may be desired or not
- > Vaccine efforts exert evolutionary pressure

Introduction to vaccines

- > 1796: First vaccination by Jenner



Basic principle of vaccination

- Active: expose individual with attenuated, killed or split organisms that leads to the development of an immune response without the risk of (severe) disease
- VS.
- Passive: adoptive transfer of specific effector mechanisms from other, previously actively immunized individuals
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Federal vaccine program

Tabelle 1

Empfohlene Basisimpfungen 2016

Stand 2016

Empfehlungen der Eidgenössischen Kommission für Impffragen und des Bundesamtes für Gesundheit

Alter ¹⁾	Diphtherie (D / d) ³⁾ Tetanus (T) ⁴⁾ Pertussis (P _a / p _a) ³⁾	<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> Typ b (Hib)	Poliomyelitis (IPV)	Masern (M) Mumps (M) Röteln (R)	Hepatitis B (HBV) ¹⁷⁾	Varizellen (VZV)	Humane Papillo- maviren (HPV)	Influenza
Geburt					18)			
2 Monate ²⁾	DTP _a	Hib	IPV		(HBV) ¹⁹⁾			
4 Monate ²⁾	DTP _a	Hib	IPV		(HBV) ¹⁹⁾			
6 Monate	DTP _a	Hib	IPV		(HBV) ¹⁹⁾			
12 Monate		10)		MMR ¹⁴⁾				
15–24 Monate	DTP _a	Hib ¹⁰⁾ ¹¹⁾	IPV	MMR ¹⁴⁾	(HBV) ¹⁹⁾			
4–7 Jahre	DTP _a ⁵⁾ ⁶⁾		IPV	15)				
11–14 / 15 Jahre	dTp _a ³⁾ ⁵⁾ ⁷⁾ ⁸⁾		12)	15)	HBV ¹⁹⁾	VZV ²¹⁾	HPV ²³⁾	
25–29 Jahre	dTp _a ⁹⁾		13)	16)	20)	22)		
45 Jahre	dT ⁹⁾		13)	16)	20)	22)		
≥ 65 Jahre	dT ⁹⁾		13)		20)			24)

Tabelle 5
Empfohlene ergänzende Impfungen
Stand 2016

Alter ¹⁾	Pneumokokken	Meningokokken der Gruppe C	Humane Papillomaviren
2 Monate	PCV 13 ^{2) 3)}		
4 Monate	PCV 13		
6 Monate	⁴⁾		
12 Monate	PCV 13 ⁵⁾		
12–15 Monate		MCV-C ⁶⁾	
11–14/15 Jahre		MCV-C ⁷⁾	HPV bei Jungen ⁸⁾
Junge Frauen (20–26 Jahre) Jungen und junge Männer (15–26 Jahre)			HPV ⁸⁾

Additional vaccines for special indications:

- Travel: Yellow fever, Japanese encephalitis, etc..
- Special exposures: FSME, Rabies, etc ..
- Patients at risk: Influenza

„THE GOOD OLD DAYS....“ some examples

	Morbidity/Mortality per year in CH	
Disease	without vaccine	with vaccine
Diphtheria	4'000 cases	Last case 1983
Poliomyelitis	800 cases	Last case 1982
Invasive <i>H. influenzae</i> type b	180 cases	17 (<17 yrs old)
Tetanus	50 cases	16 (none <20 yrs old)
Congenital Rubella	30-50 cases	1? (not complete)
Pertussis	140 deaths	?

GOALS OF A VACCINE

Protect individual: infection
 (disease)
 (clear disease)

**By mimicking infection in terms of long lasting immune response
without doing harm**

“Optional”: Give indirect protection (herd immunity)
 Support global eradication of pathogen

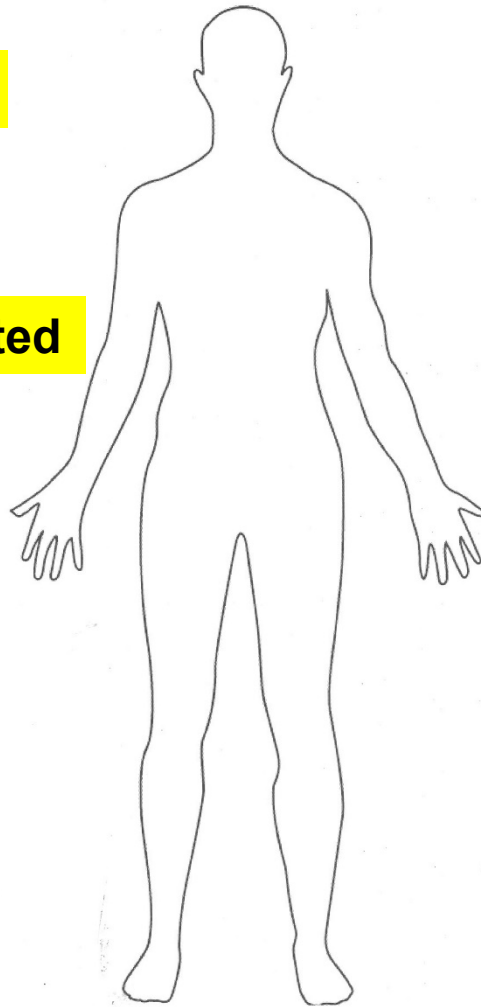
Types of vaccines

Passive: antibodies

Active: live, attenuated

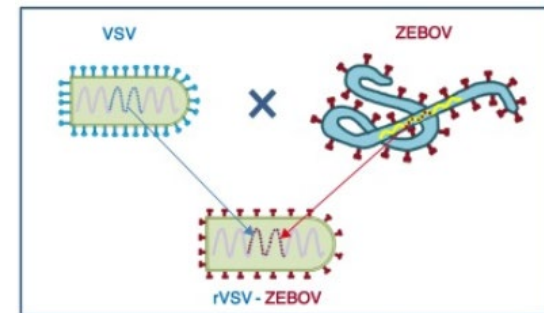
Active: inactivated

Active: component



Newer technologies

- Recombinant (e.g. VSV-ZEBOV)



- Vector based (e.g. lactobacilli)

DNA vaccines

Types of vaccines

Vaccine	Advantage	Disadvantage
Passive (antibodies)	Rapid protection Minimal side effects	Short duration No memory
Active		
Whole cell/virus	Variety of antigens	Side effects
Live, attenuated	Replicates: antigen↑	May cause disease
Inactivated	Does not replicate	pot. less immunogenic
Component	Target antigen known Less side effects	Restricted immune response to target antigen

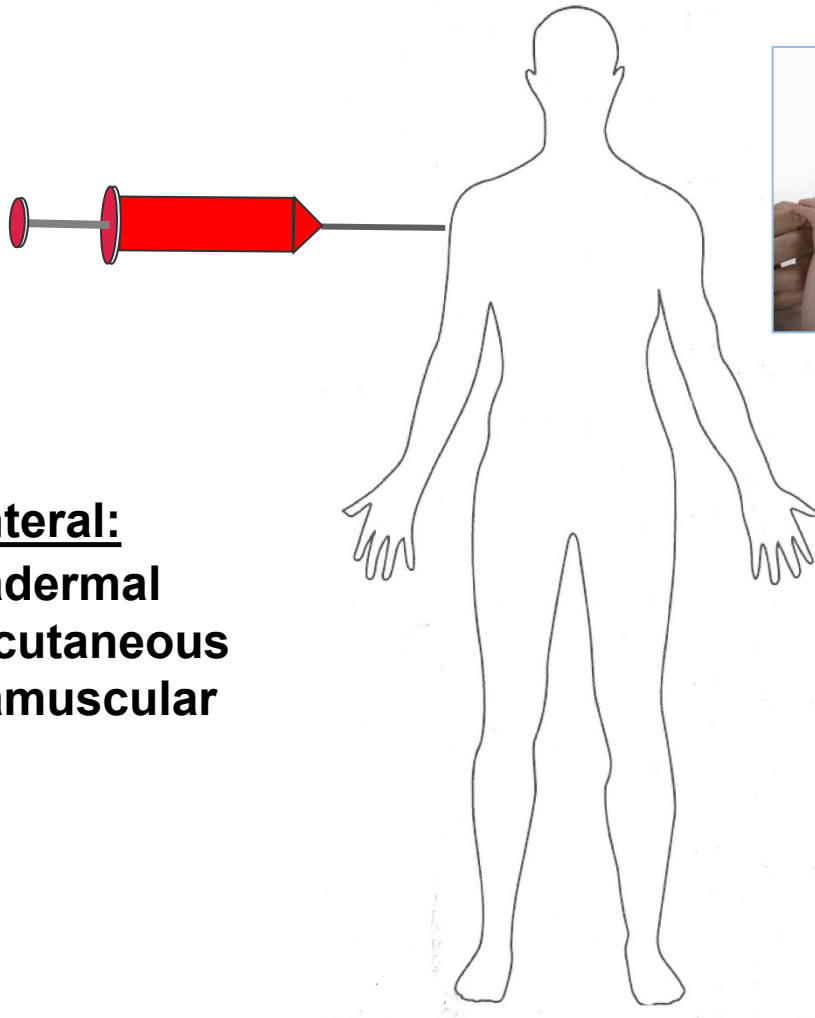
Passive immunisation

Table 1 Protection achieved in humans by passive administration of vaccine-induced antibodies

	Infection or disease	Evidence of effects of passive antibodies
Bacterial toxins	Tetanus	Passive antibodies and maternal immunization are highly effective; can also provide post-exposure prophylaxis in nonimmune individuals
	Diphtheria	Passive antibodies prevent intoxication; effects on infection are unknown
	Pertussis	Maternal antibodies are effective if present in high titer; passive antibodies have been used as therapy, resulting in decreased pathology
Encapsulated bacteria	<i>H. influenzae</i>	In high-risk infants, BPIG given at 2, 6 and 10 months of age provides significant protection from invasive infection during infancy
Viruses	Measles	Passive immunoglobulin can prevent disease and transmission to susceptible contacts
	Rabies	Human rabies immunoglobulin is used in conjunction with vaccine to neutralize virus at site of entry and prevent its spread to CNS
	Smallpox	Passive immunoglobulin prevents spread of smallpox to contacts; treatment of vaccine complications
	Hepatitis A	Vaccine shows 85–90% efficacy in high-risk individuals; also used as post-exposure prophylaxis
	Hepatitis B	HBIG shows 80–90% efficacy in high-risk liver transplant to prevent recurrence of infection
	RSV	Humanized monoclonal antibody (palivizumab) shows 55% efficacy in preventing hospitalization in high-risk infants
	Varicella zoster	VZIG is efficacious even soon after exposure

BPIG, bacterial polysaccharide immunoglobulin; CNS, central nervous system; HBIG, hepatitis B immunoglobulin; RSV, respiratory syncytial virus; VZIG, varicella zoster immunoglobulin.

Route of administration



Parenteral:

- Intradermal
- Subcutaneous
- Intramuscular



Mucosal:

- Ingestion
- Aerosol

Poliomyelitis vaccines: oral-live vs. parenteral inactivated

**Whole virus
Inactivated
Parenteral**



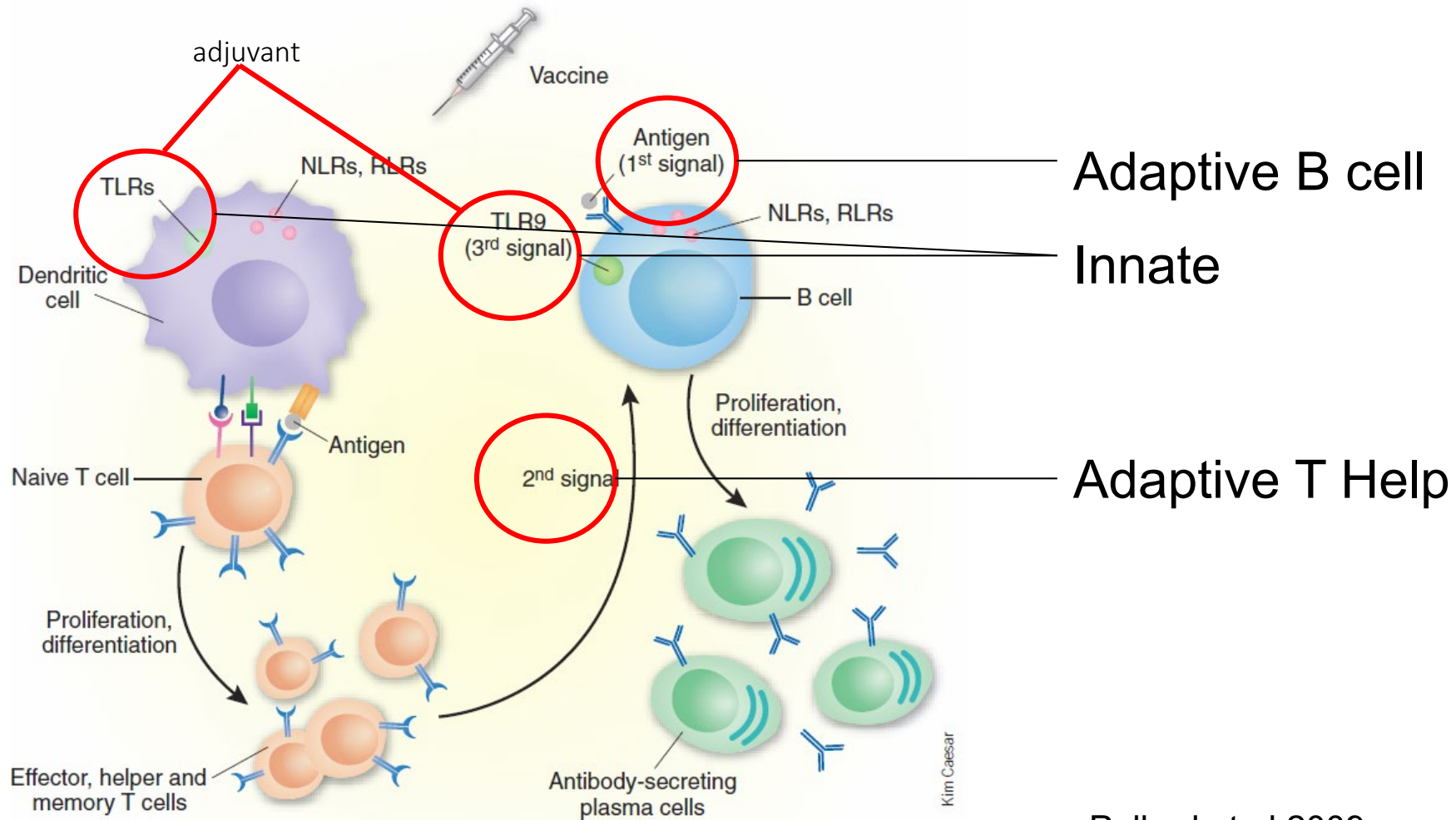
++	Serum antibody titres	+
	Duration of protection	↑
(+)	Pharyngeal viral excretion	+
(+)	Prevent intestinal infection	+
-	Spread of vaccine virus	+
-	Vaccine disease	+
-	Interference with other enteroviral infection in the intestine	+

**Whole virus
Live
Oral**



Immunologic interactions in successful Vaccines

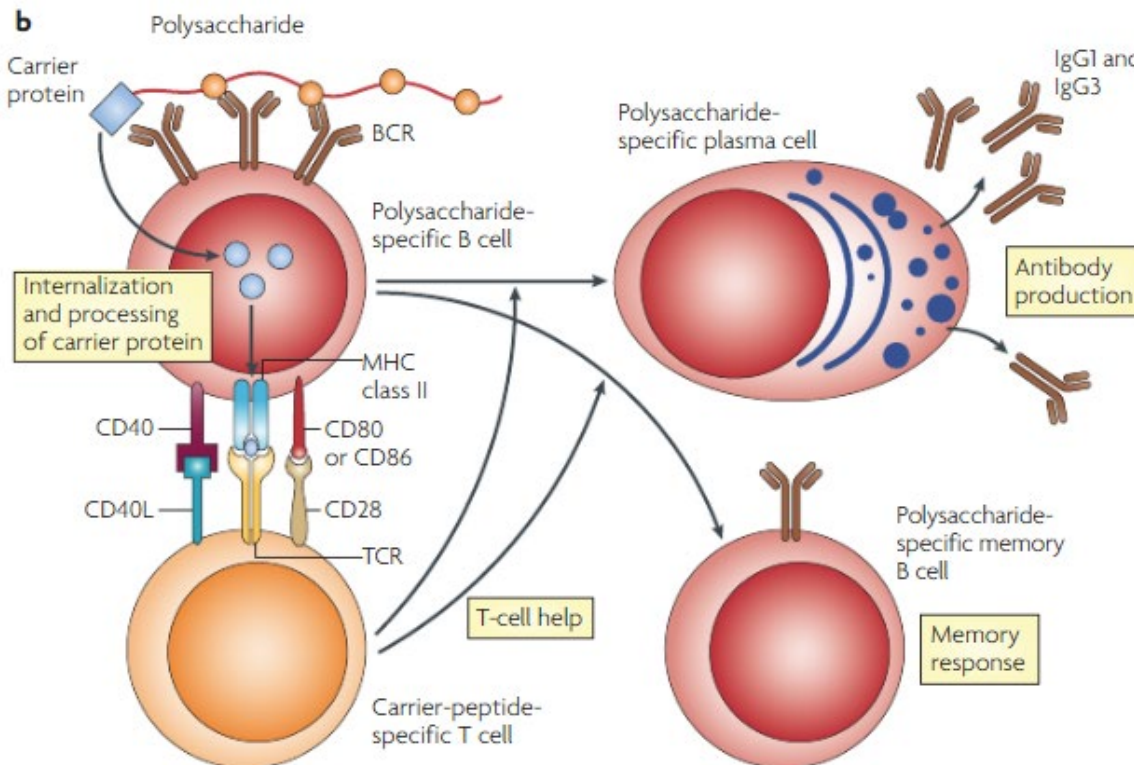
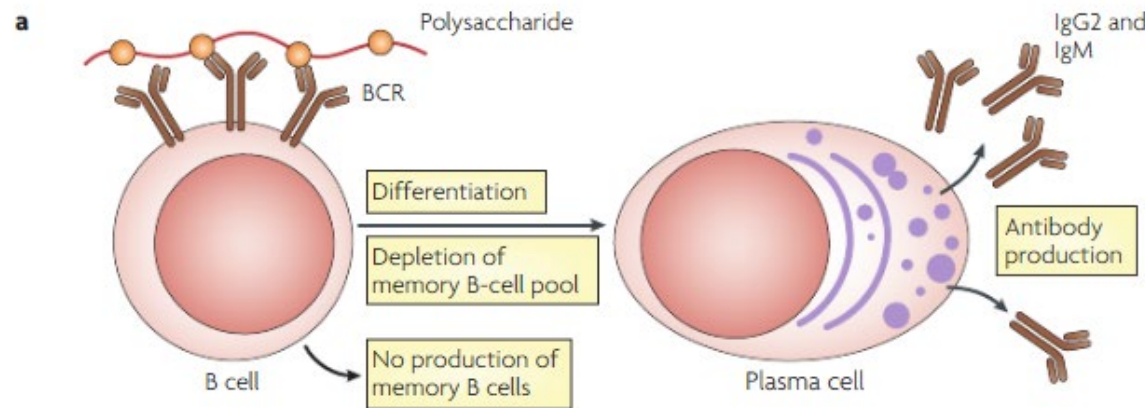
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Vaccines against bacterial polysaccharides

e.g. *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Neisseria meningitidis*



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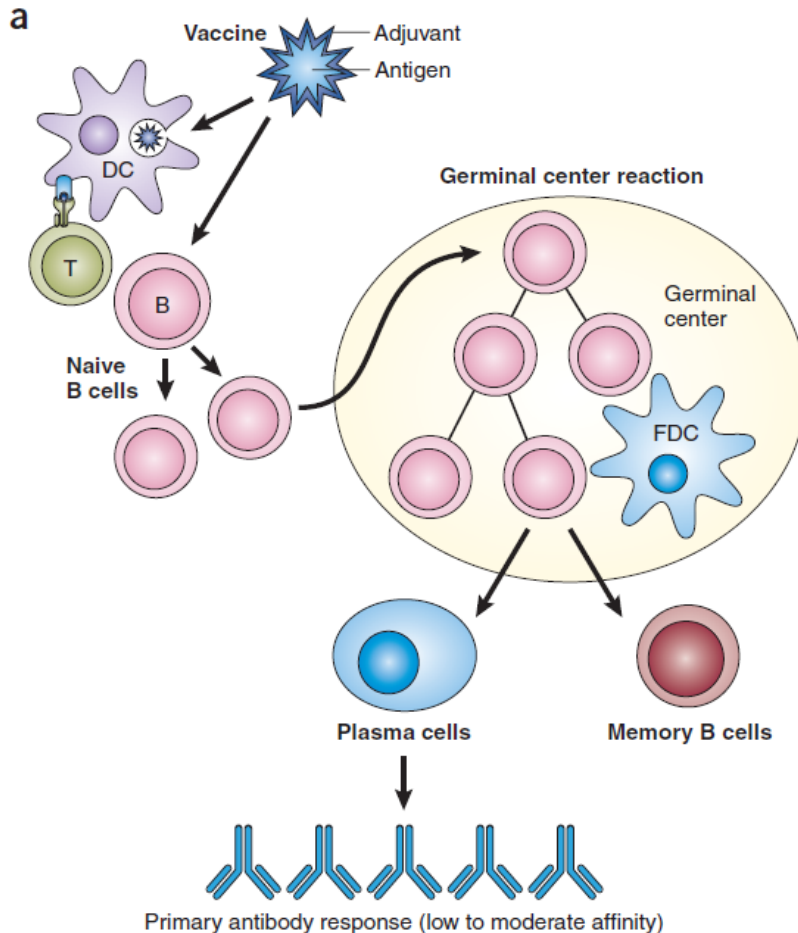
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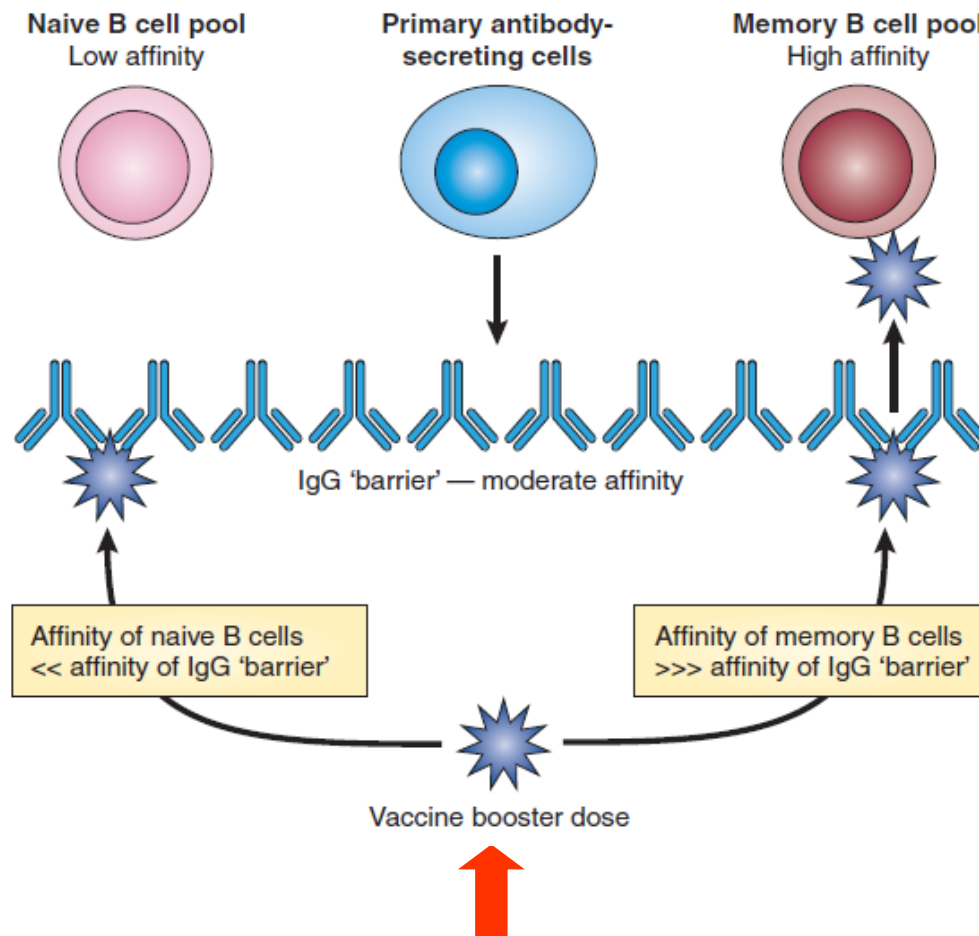
Primary immune response to vaccines



What have we learned (in retrospect)

- Early protection: **antibody-dependent**
- **Quality** (e.g. avidity) → efficacy
- **Mucosal** vaccines: IgA response
- Duration: **B-cell memory**
persis. Ab prod. (early response)
- **T-cell response**: important
less well described
- Complicating: antigenic variation
strain diversity
influence of age

Boosting, affinity maturation



→ favors short term response

Rapid vaccine schedules

(several, closely spaced doses)

→ support immune memory

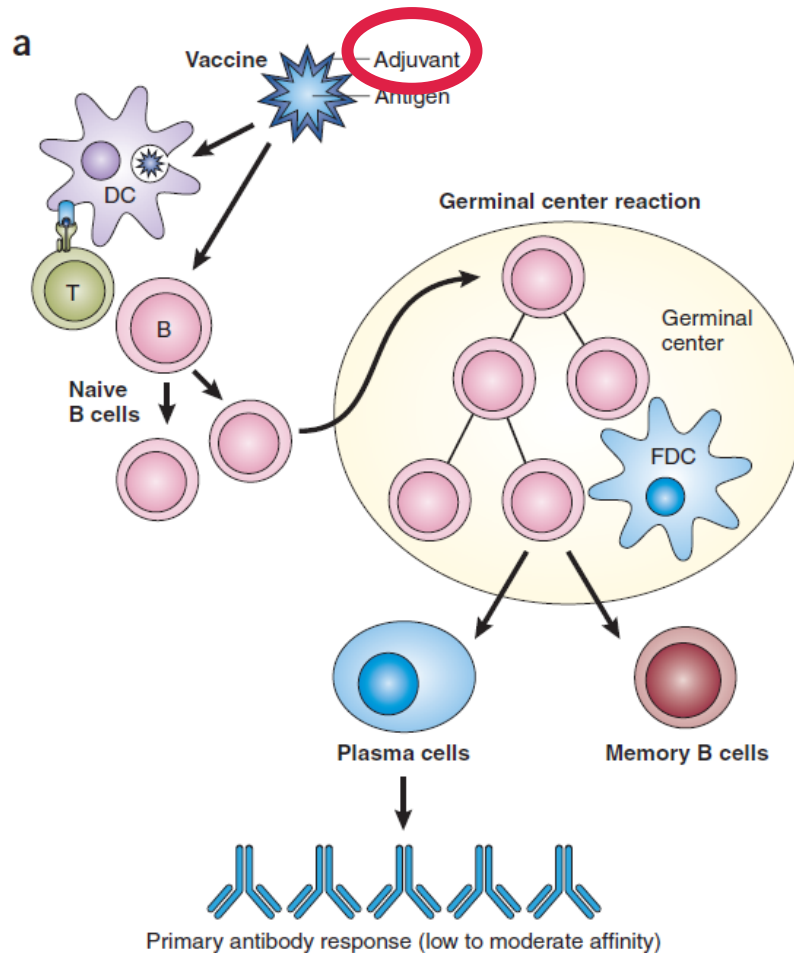
Lower antigen dose

Antigen persistence? (animal models)

"Nature of antigen"

Booster dose

Adjuvant



Goal: enhance Ab affinity
maturation process

mostly by enhancing innate
response

specially important for inactivated and
component vaccines

Adjuvant:
Aluminium salt

Experimental
- CpG oligos
- (mod.) *E. coli* heat labile toxin

Importance of early response: depends on infectious agent etc.

Example: Tetanus-Toxin (TeNT)

Neutralization before up-
take into neuron !!

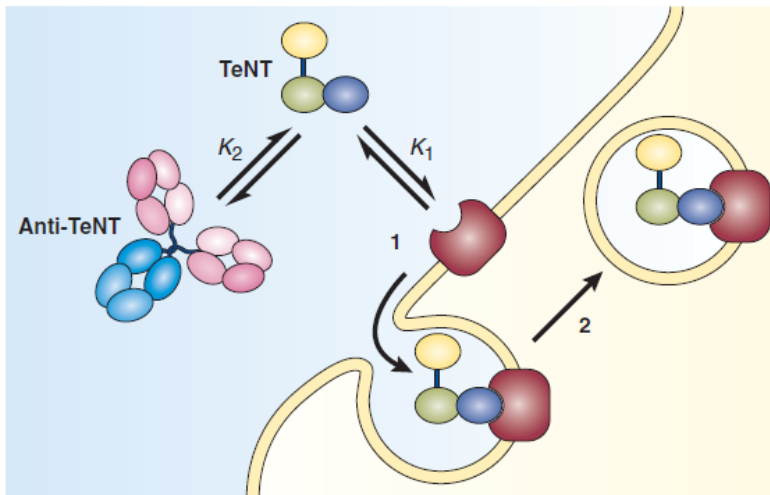


Figure 2 Vaccine-induced anti-tetanus toxin (TeNT) antibodies compete with TeNT receptors at cell surface. Their relative affinities for TeNT (K_1 , K_2) determine the outcome. Once TeNT is internalized, it can no longer be captured by antibodies and the intoxication sequence cannot be stopped.

Lambert PH, Siegrist CA. Nature Medicine. 2005;11:S54.

Example: Hepatitis B virus

Memory → long lived protection
= anti-HBs Ag titer ever >100 U/L

Incubation period 4-12 wks
Time to recruit memory cells

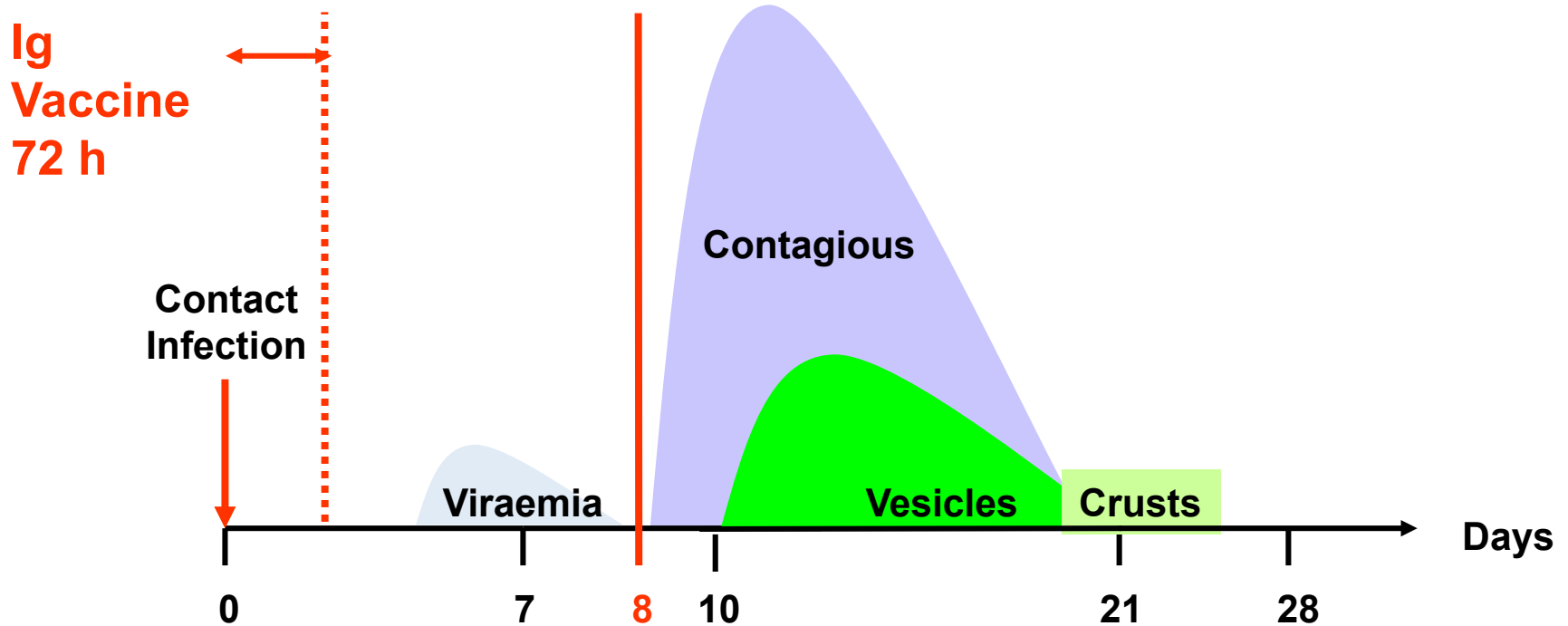
Role of T-cell response??

Passive/active immunisation after exposure?

Need to know natural history of infection

Often narrow time window (48-72-96h after first exposure)

Example: Varizella-Zoster virus:



Can vaccine protection be measured in the individual?

Importance: **Surrogate for clinical efficacy studies**
 Document individual protection for high risk situations

Measurement of antibody titres in serum:

- **Threshold defined for relatively few vaccines, examples:**
 - Hepatitis B**
 - Tetanus toxin**
 - FSME**
 - Rabies**
 - etc.**
- **Cannot extrapolate to wild-type infection (e.g. measles)**
- **Quantity $\neq$ quality (e.g. avidity of antibodies, route of administration)**

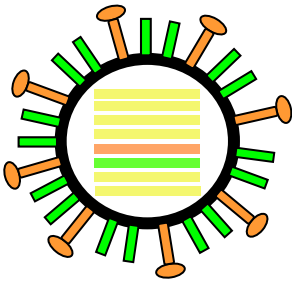
Surrogate: **Vaccine record!! (= empiric), e.g. 2 doses MMR vaccine**

Antigen variation / strain diversity

Example: influenza virus / vaccine

Hemagglutinin (H, n=15)

Neuraminidase (N, n=9)



RNA, segmented
→ AG drift / shift

Seasonal vaccines

- Four strains
- Yearly up-date (WHO)

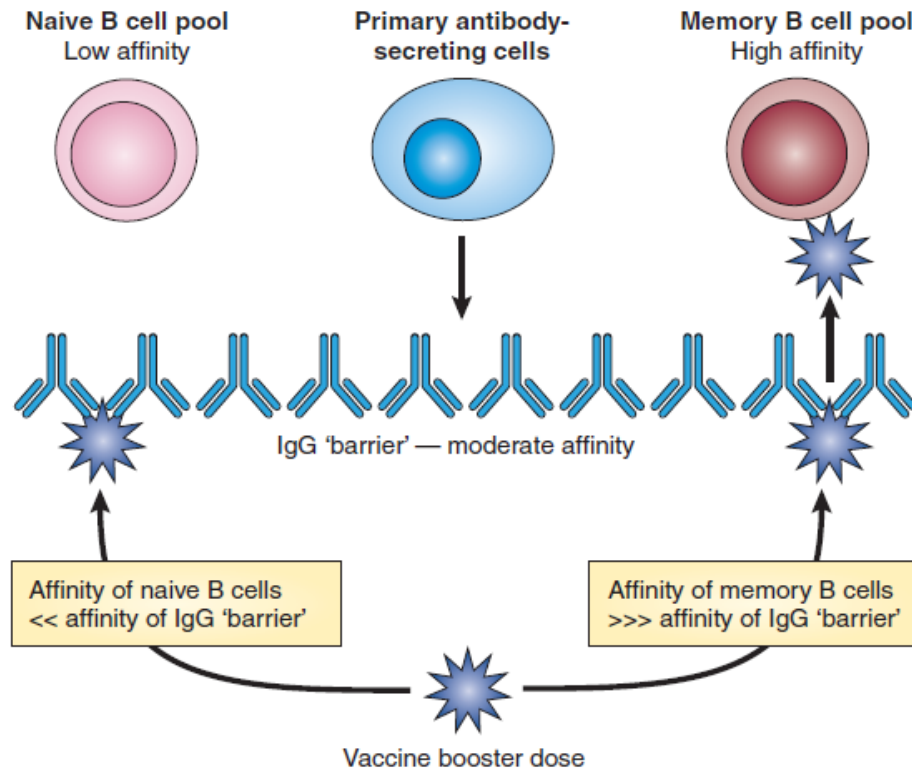
“Pandemic vaccine”

H5N1 vaccine: conserved epitope
crossreactive?

Reverse genetics for new strains??

Get away from egg embryos?

Antigenic sin



Vaccine efficacy might be modulated by prior vaccination

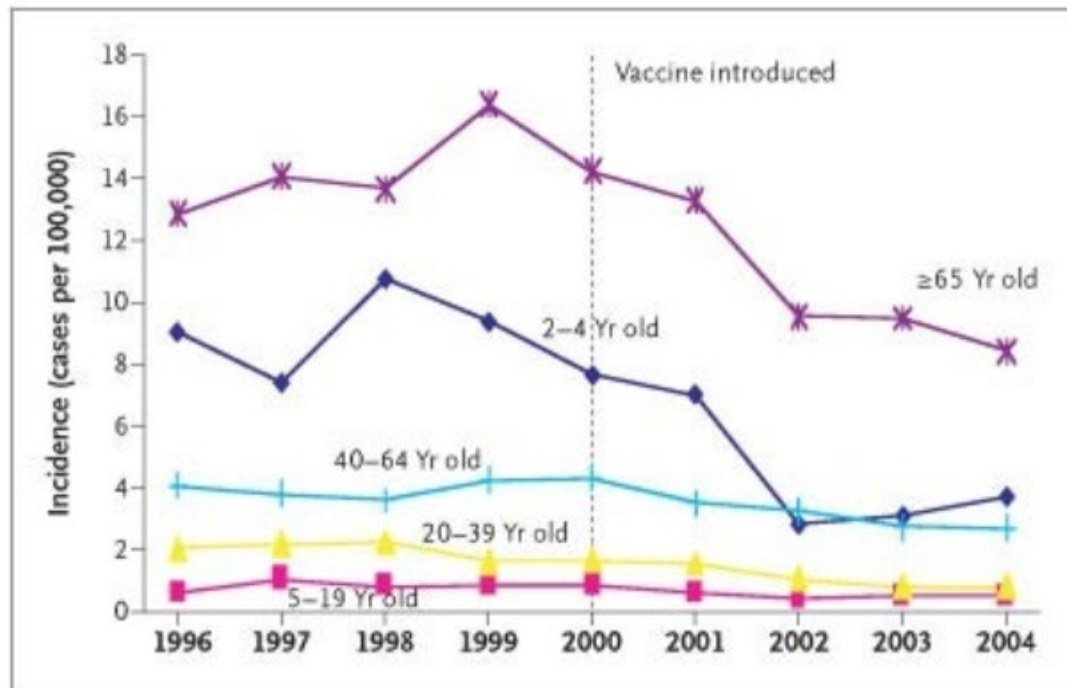
“Original antigenic sin”

Cross-reactive epitopes preferentially reactivate high-affinity memory B-cells rather than lower affinity naive B-cells.

Individuals exposed 50 yrs earlier to H1N1 Influenza virus strain respond differently to a new H1N1 vaccine strain than adults that had never been exposed to H1N1

Herd immunity

= indirect protection of susceptibles by reduced circulation of pathogen

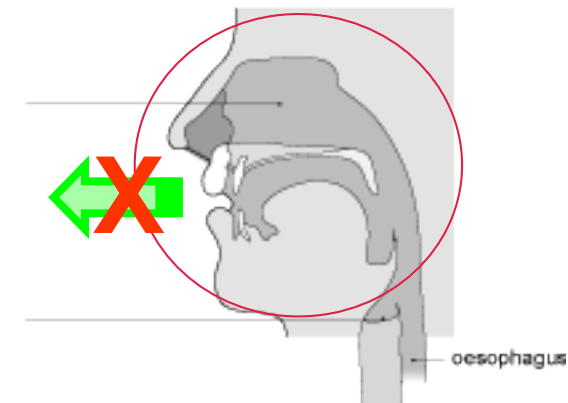


Vaccine was given to <2 yrs old!!

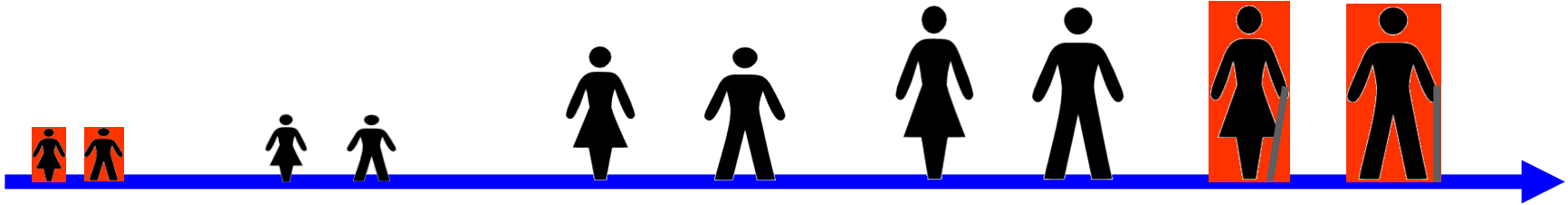
Conjugated pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccines

→ Reduce colonisation

→ Reduce transmission



Vaccination at the extremes of age



Newborns to 1 year of life

Immature immune system

Poor response to T-cell indep. ag

- *IgM to IgG2 switch* ↓
- *Complement-mediated reaction* ↓
- *Splenic marginal zone organ* ↓

Response to T-cell dep. ag ↓

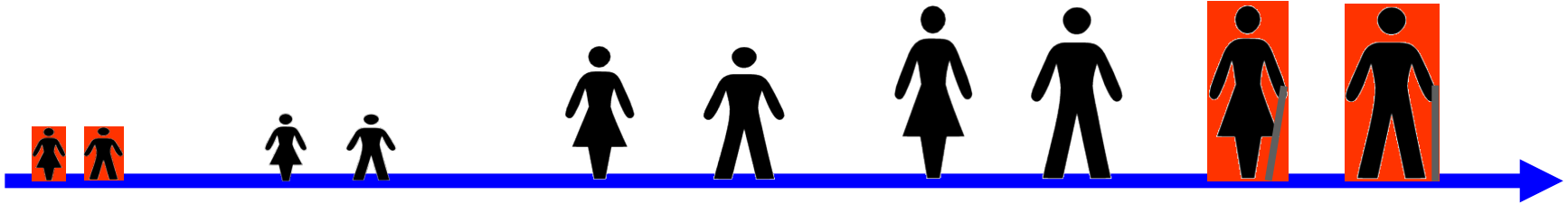
- *IFN- γ by CD4⁺T_H1 cells* ↓

Inhibiting maternal antibodies

Affects B-cell response - mechanisms?

- *Inhibition of live virus vaccines*
- *FcR mediated inhibition of B-cell activation*
- *Specific epitope neutralization/ competition with antigen specific B-cell receptors → ratio maternal ab : vaccine antigen (impact of adolescent immunization?)*

Vaccination at the extremes of age



Elderly: impaired immune response – very late in life
Not well investigated

Not all vaccines are equally affected by immune senescence:

- Pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine: +++
- Tetanus-Toxoid booster: (+)

Immunology:

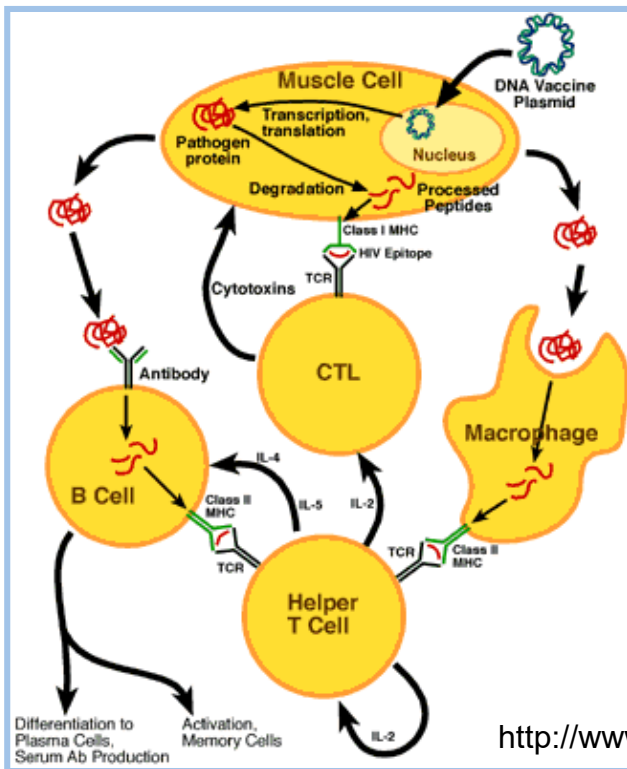
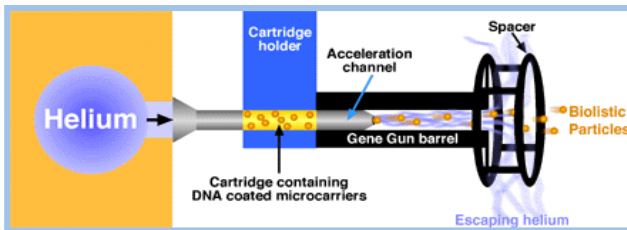
- Rapid waning of antibody response
- Relative restriction of T-cell repertoire

Evidence for the importance of T-cell response for vaccine immunity

Table 2 Evidence for roles of vaccine-induced T-cell effectors against disease

Vaccine	Evidence
	Major role
BCG	Negligible antibody response; protection is lost if CD4 T-cell deficiency; <i>in vitro</i> <i>M. tuberculosis</i> 'clearing' from infected cells
	Some contribution
Pertussis	Persistence of protective efficacy after antibody decline
Measles	Reduced disease severity in absence of detectable antibody response
Influenza	Some protection against cross-reactive A strains in absence of protective levels of antibody

DNA vaccines



<http://www.brookscole.com/>

Vaccine =

- naked DNA on plasmid with strong promoter
- Enters cell nucleus → antigen production

Current problems

- Limited immunogenicity
- Various strategies for enhancement proposed

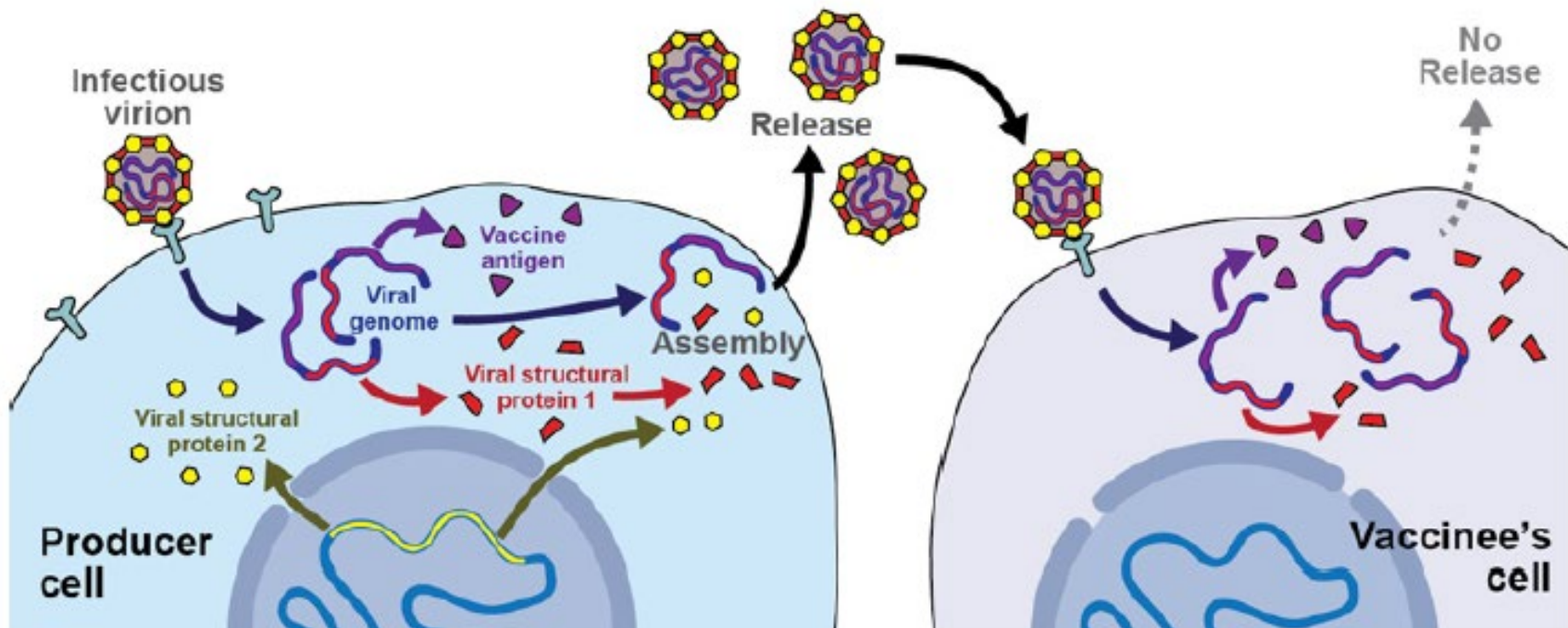
Hung C-F et al. Exp. Mol Med 2007; 39:679

The future: Viral vector vaccines ?

-> Example rLCMV

Principle:

- commensal / «attenuated» pathogen*
- biological property of interest:
e.g. compartmentalization to intestinal mucosa)
- genetic engineering: vaccine antigen(s)



The future: Viral vector vaccines ?

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