

Basic Concepts in Immunology

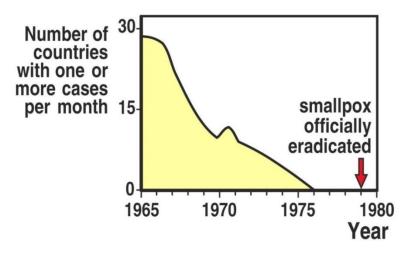
Innate Immunity

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The eradication of smallpox by vaccination

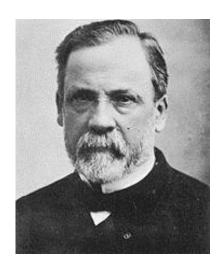


Sir Edward Jenner (1749-1823) Vaccinia (cowpox)



Vaccine

In 1979, WHO announce officially the eradication of smallpox



Louis Pasteur (1822-1895)

Cholera, Anthrax, Rabies



Immunity

Host ← → Microorganisms

Innate Immunity:

Non-specific, No Memory.

Adaptive Immunity:

Specific with Memory.

Virus

Bacteria

Protozoans

Helminths

(parasitic worms)

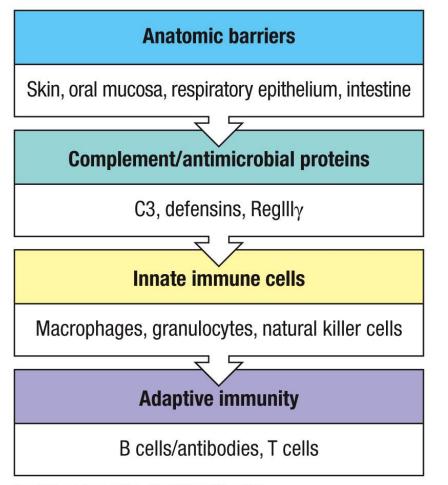
Phases of the immune response					
Response		Typical time after infection to start of response	Duration of response		
Innate immune response	Inflammation, complement activation, phagocytosis, and destruction of pathogen	Minutes	Days		
	Interaction between antigen-presenting dendritic cells and antigen-specific T cells: recognition of antigen, adhesion, co-stimulation, T-cell proliferation and differentiation	Hours	Days		
	Activation of antigen-specific B cells	Hours	Days		
Adantivo	Formation of effector and memory T cells	Days	Weeks		
Adaptive immune response	Interaction of T cells with B cells, formation of germinal centers. Formation of effector B cells (plasma cells) and memory B cells. Production of antibody	Days	Weeks		
	Emigration of effector lymphocytes from peripheral lymphoid organs	A few days	Weeks		
	Elimination of pathogen by effector cells and antibody	A few days	Weeks		
Immunological memory	Maintenance of memory B cells and T cells and high serum or mucosal antibody levels. Protection against reinfection	Days to weeks	Can be lifelong		

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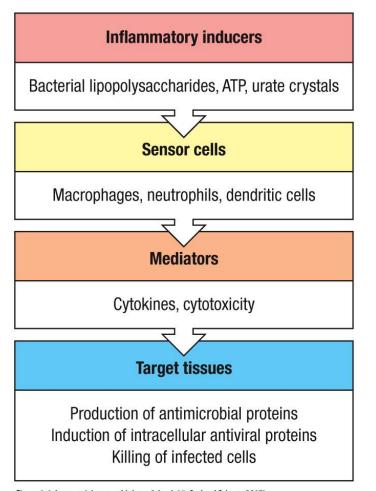
Innate and Adaptive Immunity

- Pathogens (Antigens)
- Immune responses (innate vs. adaptive)
- Life-long protective immunity (Antibodies)
- Immunological recognition, immune effector functions, immune regulation, immunological memory.
- Immune cells (leukocytes, myeloid, lymphoid)
- Cell-mediated immunity, humoral immunity

Anatomic and chemical barriers are the first defense against pathogens

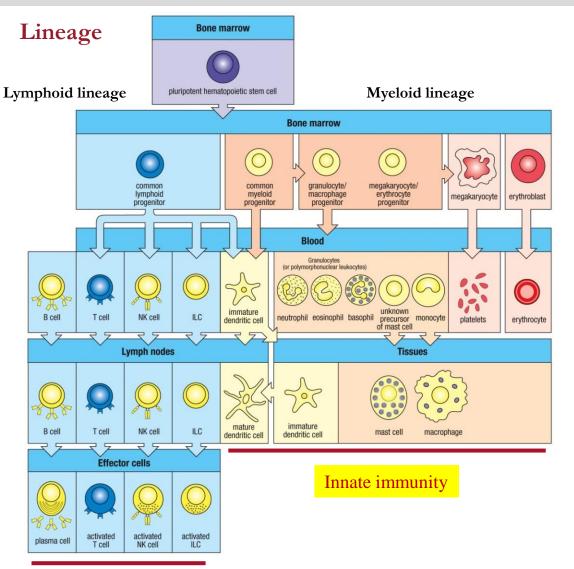


The immune system is activated by **inflammatory inducers** that indicate the presence of pathogens or tissue damage.



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The cellular components of the immune system



Hematopoietic stem cell (HSC) Pluripotency Progenitor cell (HPC) Differentiation Maturation

Questions:

- 1. How to define HSC?
- 2. How to define HPC?
- 3. How to define mature immune cells?

Immune cell subtypes:

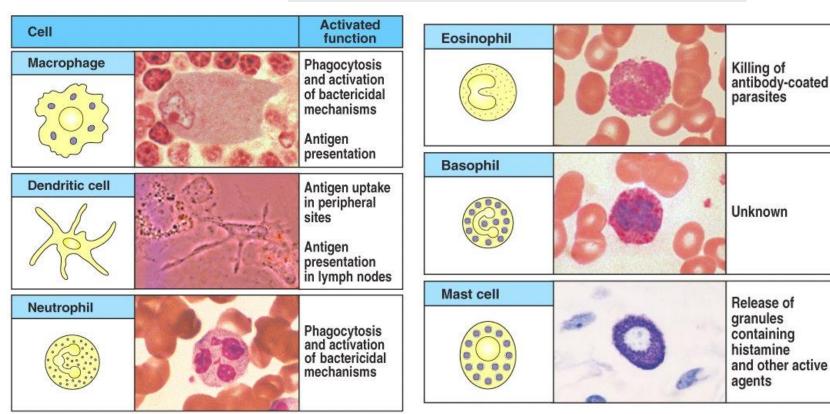
Th1, Th2, Th17, Treg, ...
M1/M2 macrophage
N1/N2 neutrophils
ILC-1, ILC-2, etc.

The myeloid lineage comprises most of the cells of the innate immune system

Myeloid Cells

Innate Immunity: Phagocytes, inflammatory cytokines

Adaptive immunity: Ag-presentation cells (APCs)

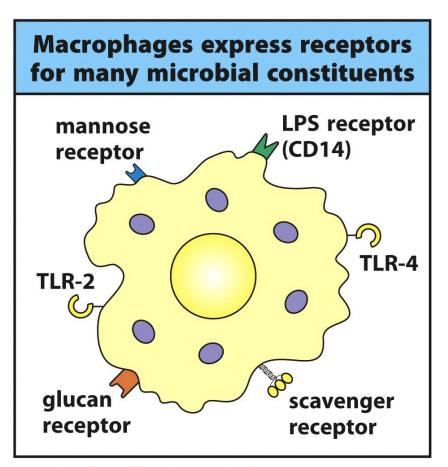


Sensor cells express **pattern-recognition receptors** that provide an initial discrimination between self and nonself.

Innate immune Recognition

Pattern-recognition Receptors (PRRs)

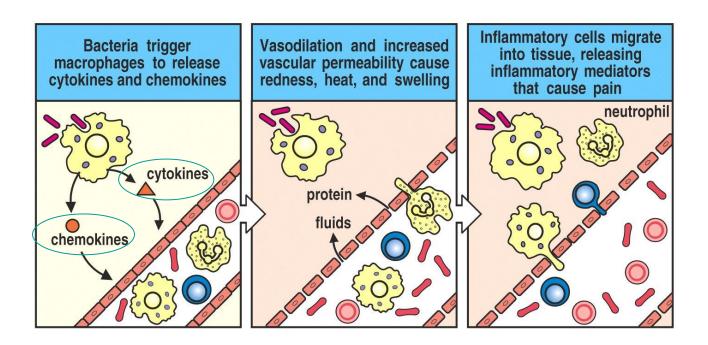
Pathogen-associated Molecular Patterns (PAMPs)



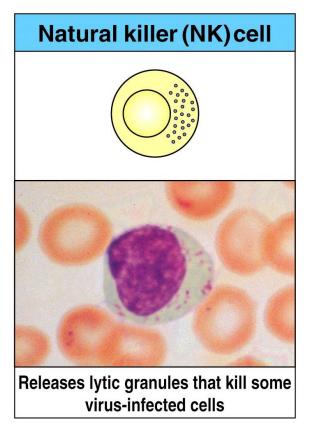
Sensor cells induce an inflammatory response by producing mediators such as chemokines and cytokines

Inflammation

rubor (redness), tumor (swelling), calor (heat), and dolor (pain)



Innate lymphoid cells and natural killer cells are effector cells that share similarities with lymphoid lineages of the adaptive immune system.



Innate lymphoid cells (ILCs): Cytokine-producing lymphoid cells important in the innate immune responses.

Natural killer (NK) cells:
Innate immunity (virus-infected cells).
Adaptive immunity (Cytokine-producing cells).

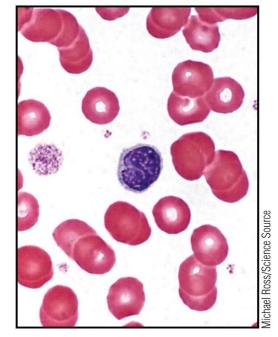
Principles of adaptive immunity

The interaction of antigens with antigen receptors induces lymphocytes to acquire effector and memory activity.

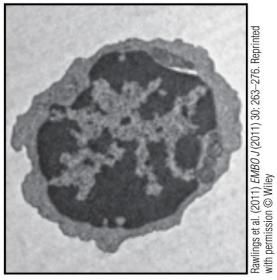
Adaptive immunity: Lymphoid Cells (lymphoid lineage)

B lymphoid cells, plasma cells. Immunoglobulins (Ig)/Antibody (Ab)

T lymphoid cells, T helper (Th) cells, cytotoxic T (Tc) cells



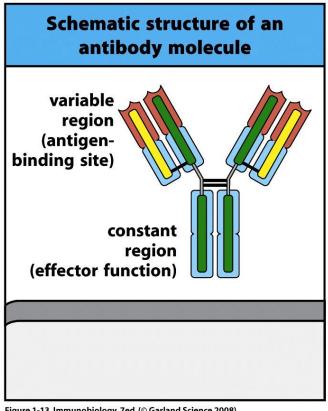
Lymphocytes are mostly small and inactive cells



Schematic structure of antigen receptors

Ag recognition

B cell: Ab T cell: TCR (T cell receptor)



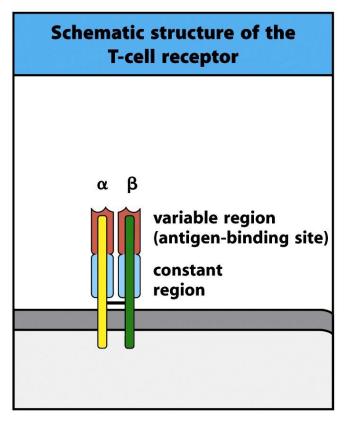
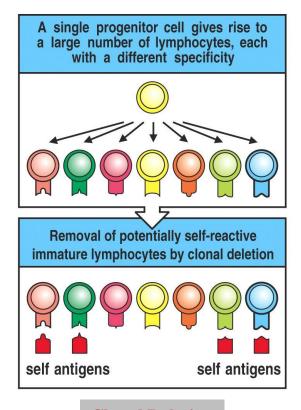


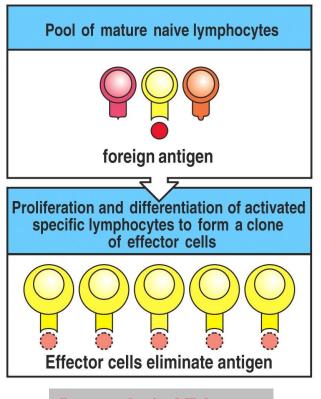
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Principles of adaptive immunity

Antigen-receptor genes are assembled by somatic gene rearrangements of incomplete receptor gene segments.

Clonal Selection: Lymphocytes that were activated by Ag give rise to clones of Ag-specific cells

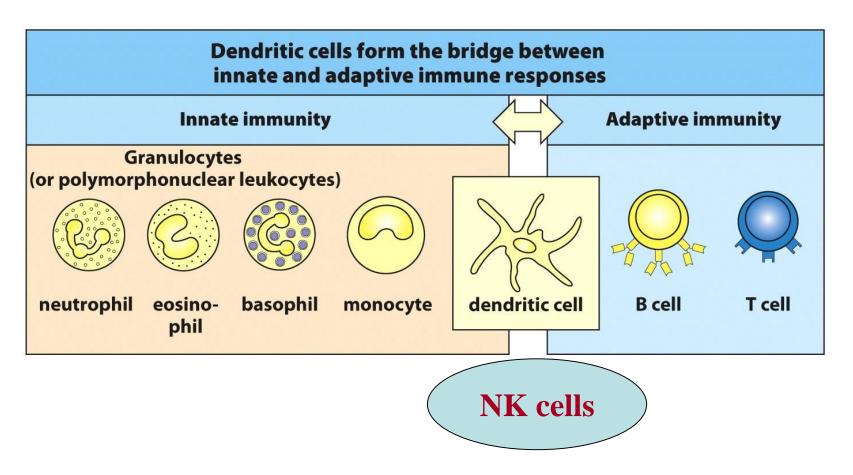




Clonal Deletion

Immunological Tolerance

Coordination between innate and adaptive immunities



Principles of adaptive immunity

Adaptive immune responses are initiated by antigen and antigen-presenting cells in peripheral lymphoid tissues.

Dendritic cells (DCs) are the most potent Ag-presenting cells (APCs)

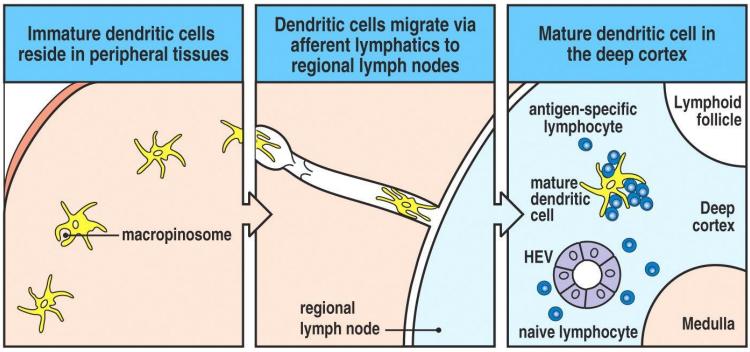
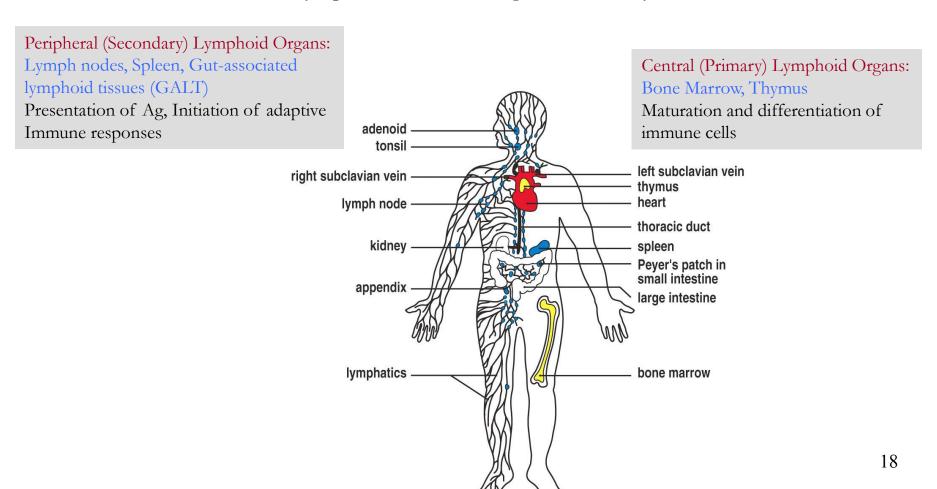


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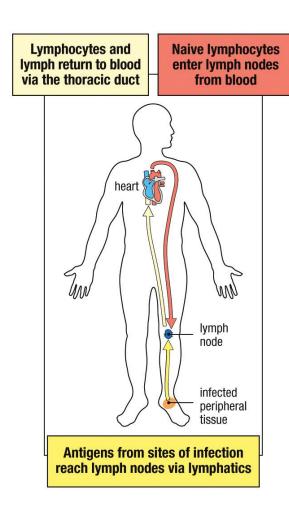
The lymphoid tissues/organs

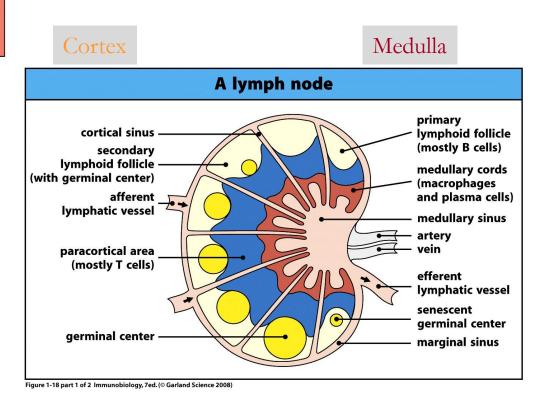
Lymphocytes mature in the bone marrow or the thymus and then congregate in lymphoid tissues throughout the body



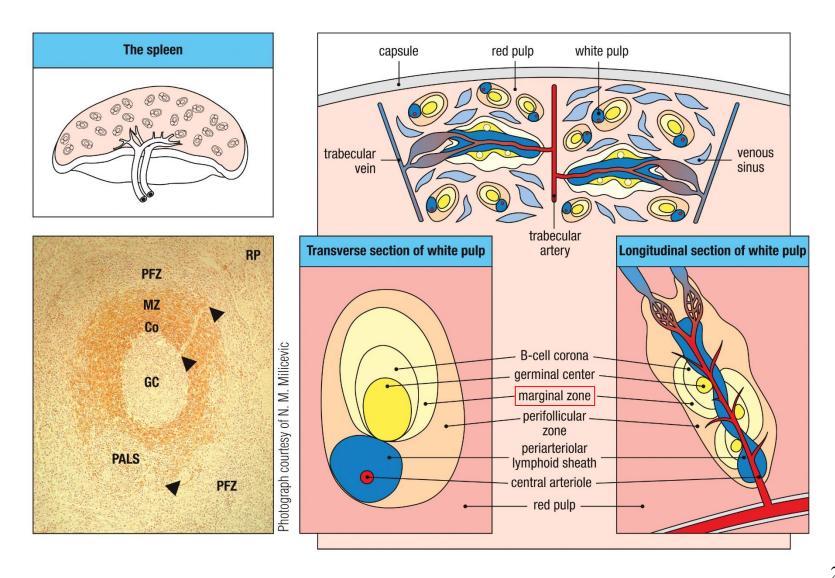
Principles of adaptive immunity

Lymphocytes encounter and respond to antigen in the peripheral lymphoid organs





Organization of the lymphoid tissues of the spleen



Principles of adaptive immunity

Mucosal surfaces have specialized immune structures that orchestrate responses to environmental microbial encounters

Gut-Associated Lymphoid Tissues

70-75% peripheral lymphoid cells

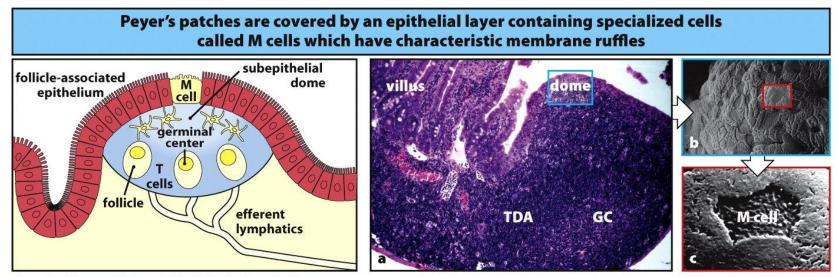


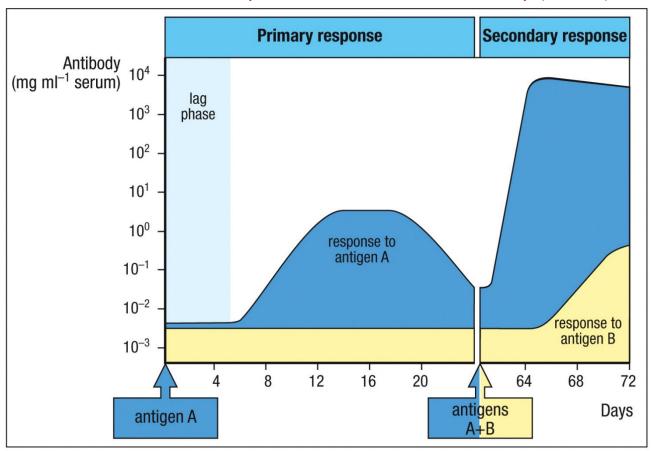
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Principles of adaptive immunity

Lymphocytes activated by antigen proliferate in the peripheral lymphoid organs, generating effector cells and immunological memory

Primary immunization

Secondary (booster) immunization



Immune balance

control of allergies, autoimmune disease, tumor, and the rejection of transplanted organs

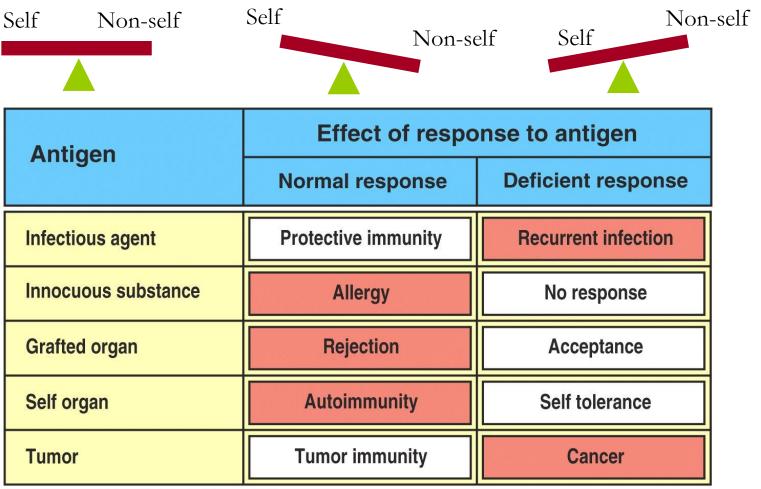


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The response to an initial infection occurs in three phases

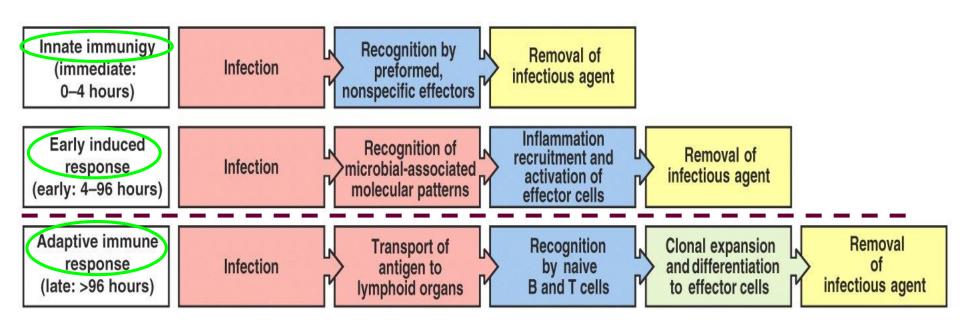


Table 12-3. Components of Innate Immunity

Components	Principal functions		
Barriers			
Epithelial layers	Prevent microbial entry		
Defensins	Microbial killing		
Intraepithelial lymphocytes	Microbial killing		
Circulating effector cells			
Neutrophils	Early phagocytosis and killing of microbes		
Macrophages	Efficient phagocytosis and killing of microbes, secretion of cytokines that stimulate inflammation		
NK cells	Lysis of infected cells, activation of macrophages		
Circulating effector proteins	3		
Complement	Killing of microbes, opsonization of microbes, activation of leukocytes		
Mannose-binding lectin (collectin)	Opsonization of microbes, activation of complement (lectin pathway)		
C-reactive protein (pentraxin)	Opsonization of microbes, activation of complement		
Coagulation factors	Walling off infected tissues		
Cytokines	- 2		
TNF, IL-1, chemokines	Inflammation		
IFN-α, -β	Resistance to viral infection		
IFN-γ	Macrophage activation		
IL-12	IFN-γ production by NK cells and T cells		
IL-15	Proliferation of NK cells		
IL-10, TGF-β	Control of inflammation		

Anatomic barriers and initial chemical defenses

Epithelial surfaces of the body provide the first barrier against infection

Mucosal immune system

Mucosal epithelia Mucin glycoproteins

	Skin	Gut	Lungs	Eyes/nose/oral cavity
	Stratified epithelium	Single cell layer of columnar epithelium	Upper airway: pseudostratified columnar epithelium Lower airway: single cell layer of columnar epithelium	Pseudostratified columnar epithelium
Mechanical	Epithelial cells joined by tight junctions			
Mechanical	Longitudinal flow of air or fluid	Longitudinal flow of air or fluid	Movement of mucus by cilia	Tears Nasal cilia
	Fatty acids	Low pH	Pulmonary surfactant	Enzymes in tears
Chemical	Tally dolds	Enzymes (pepsin)		and saliva (lysozyme)
	β-defensins Lamellar bodies Cathelicidin	α-defensins (cryptdins) RegIII (lecticidins) Cathelicidin	α-defensins Cathelicidin	Histatins β-defensins
Microbiological	Normal microbiota			

Pattern recognition by the immune system

	Innate immunity	Adaptive immunity
Specificity	For structures shared by classes of microbes ("molecular patterns")	For structural detail of microbial molecules (antigens); may recognize nonmicrobial antigens
	Different microbes Identical mannose receptors	Distinct antibody molecules
Receptors	Encoded in germline; limited diversity	Encoded by genes produced by somatic recombination of gene segments; greater diversity
	LPS receptor Mannose receptor receptor receptor	TCR
Distribution of receptors	Nonclonal: identical receptors on all cells of the same lineage	Clonal: clones of lymphocytes with distinct specificities express different receptors
Discrimination of self and nonself	Yes; host cells are not recognized or they may express molecules that prevent innate immune reactions	Yes; based on selection against self-reactive lymphocytes; may be imperfect (giving rise to autoimmunity)

The complement system and innate immunity



Jules Bordet The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 1919

Stages of complement action

Pattern-recognition trigger

Protease cascade amplification/C3 convertase

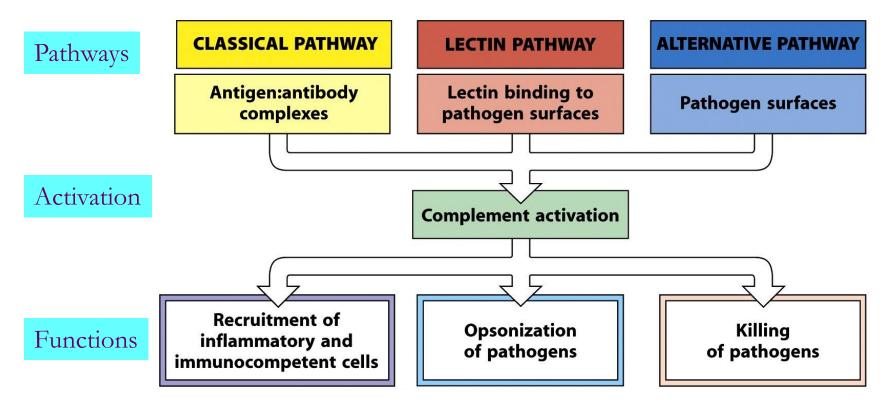
Inflammation

Phagocytosis

Membrane attack

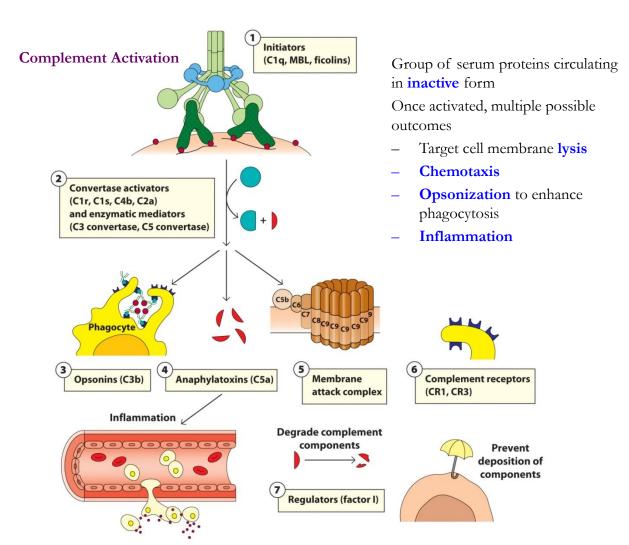
The complement system and innate immunity

The complement system recognizes features of microbial surfaces and marks them for destruction by coating them with C3b



The Complement System

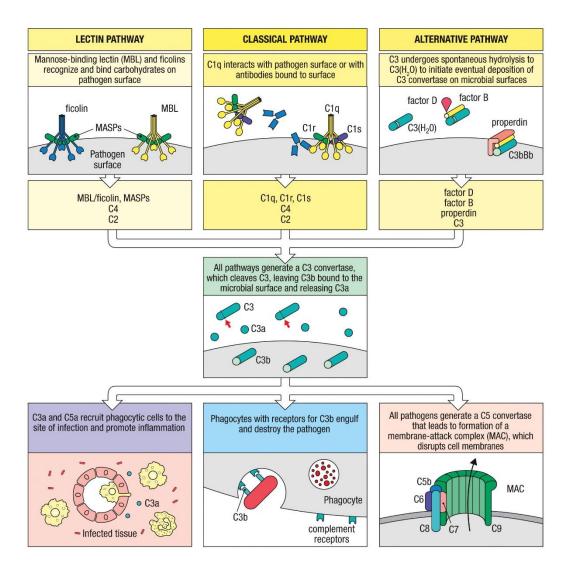
The protein members of the complement system



Functional protein classes in the complement system			
Binding to antigen:antibody complexes and pathogen surfaces	C1q		
Binding to mannose on bacteria	MBL		
Activating enzymes	C1r C1s C2b Bb D MASP-1 MASP-2		
Membrane-binding proteins and opsonins	C4b C3b		
Peptide mediators of inflammation	C5a C3a C4a		
Membrane-attack proteins	C5b C6 C7 C8 C9		
Complement receptors	CR1 CR2 CR3 CR4 C1qR		
Complement-regulatory proteins	C1INH C4bp CR1 MCP DAF H		

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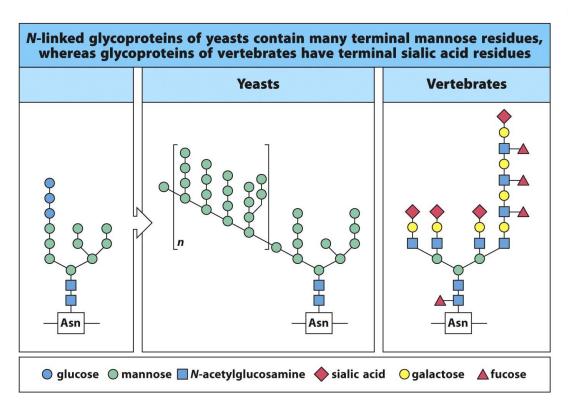
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Lectin pathway

Pathogen-associated molecular patterns (PAMPs)
Pattern-recognition molecules (PRMs)
Mannose-binding lectin, Collectins, Ficollins

Do you know of any other type of lectin molecules? and their functions?



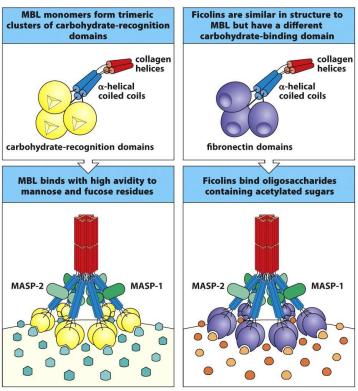
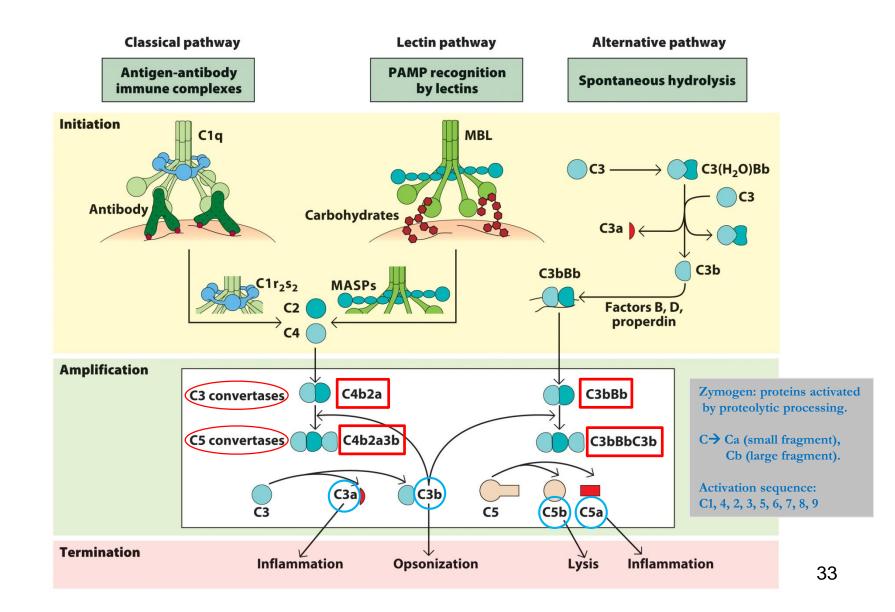
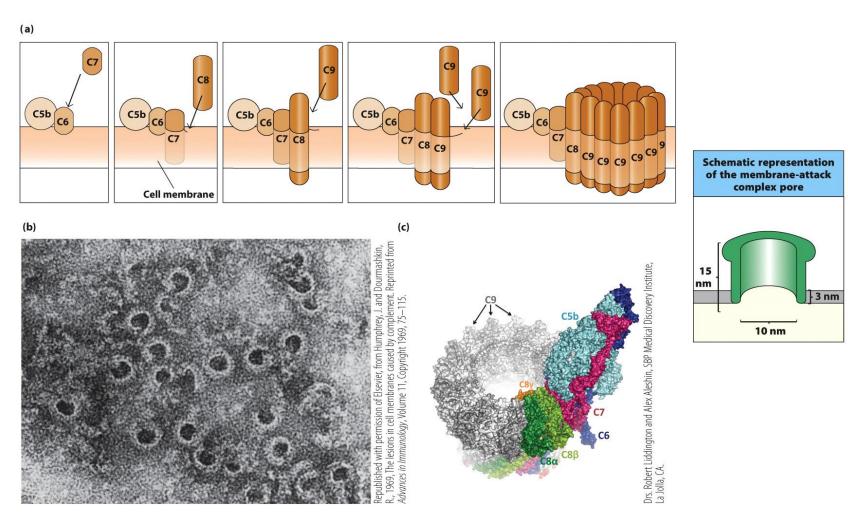


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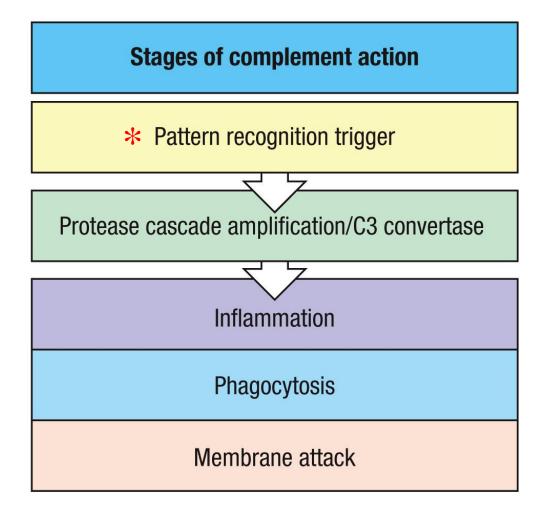
Three major activation pathways of the complement system



Assembly of the membrane-attack complex (MAC) generates a pore in the membrane

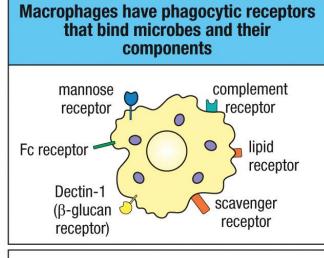


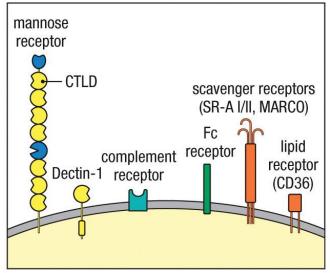
The complement system and innate immunity

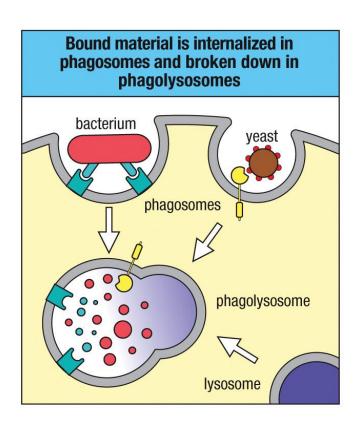


Pathogen recognition by cells of the innate immune system

After entering tissues, many microbes are recognized, ingested, and killed by phagocytes

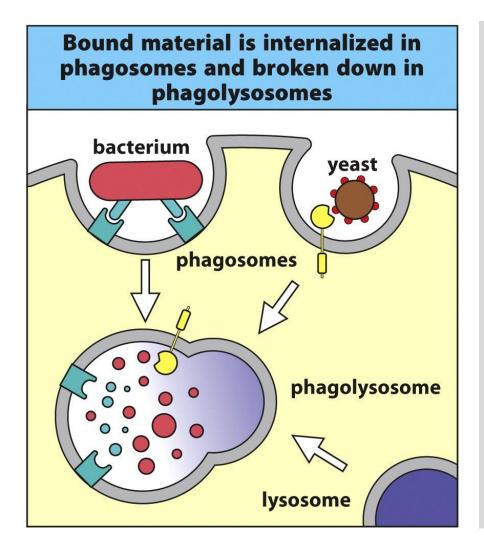






CTLD: C-type lectin-like domain

CRD: carbohydrate-recognition domain



Macropinocytosis: uptake of fluids and soluble molecules.

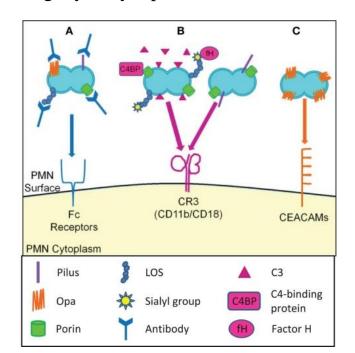
Phagocytosis: receptormediated endocytosis. Opsonin mediated, Non-opsonin mediated.

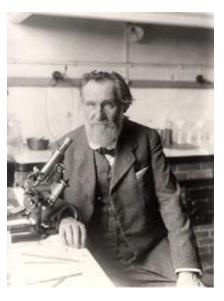
Phagosome: endosome.

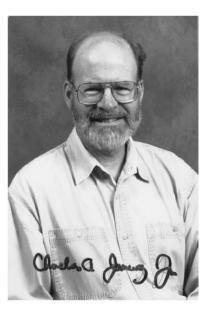
Phagolysosome: fusion of phagosome and lysosome. Microbial killing mechanism.

Phagocytosis

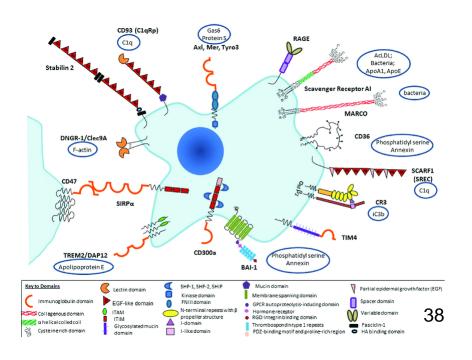
- FcR and complementR-mediated phagocytosis (Opsonin-dependent).
- Opsonin-independent.
- Distinction and Recognition of self and non-self /altered self.
- Pathogen Associated Molecular Patterns (PAMPs).
- Pattern Recognition Receptors (PRRs).
- Clearance of pathogens and apoptotic cells
- Phagocytic synapse.



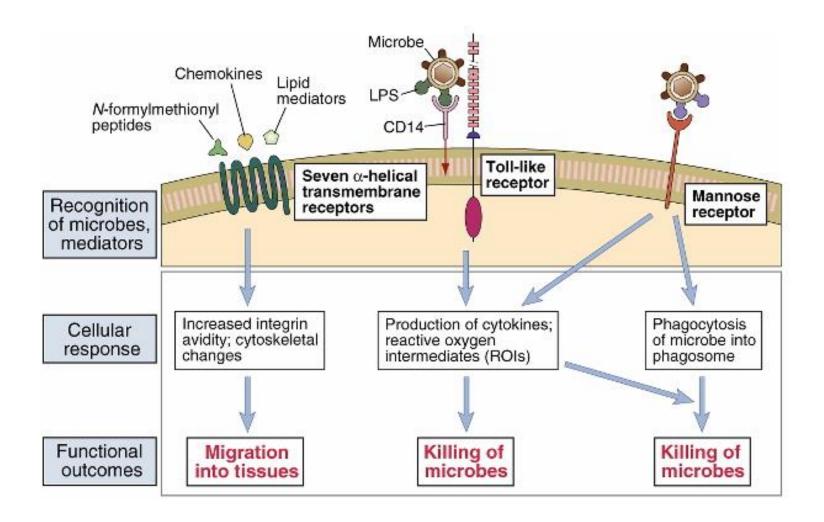




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Recognition of pathogens

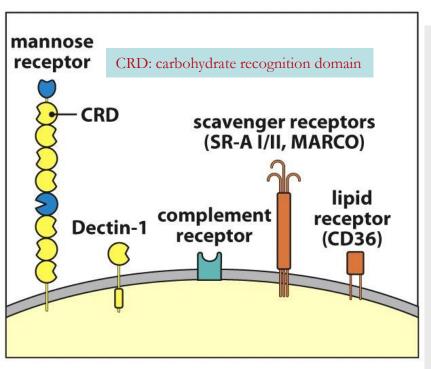


Pathogen recognition by cells of the innate immune system

Pattern Recognition Receptors (PRRs)



Microbial ligands: Pathogen-associated molecular patterns (PAMPs)

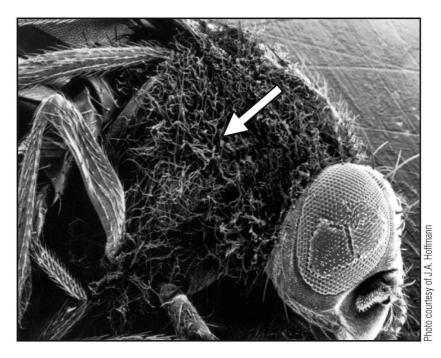


- C-type Lectins: Mannose Receptor (MR), Dectin-1, DC-SIGN.
- Scavenger Receptors: SR-A I/II, MARCO, CD36.
- Complement Receptors: CR-1, CR3.
- Toll-like receptors
- Intracellular microbial sensors

Pathogen recognition by cells of the innate immune system

Toll is required for anti-fungal responses in *Drosophila*

Toll-like receptors (TLRs) represent an ancient and evolutionary conserved pathogen-recognition system







Jules A. Hoffmann



Bruce A. Beutler

2011 Nobel Prize Physiology/Medicine

Mammalian Toll-like receptors (TLRs) are activated by many different pathogen-associated molecular patterns

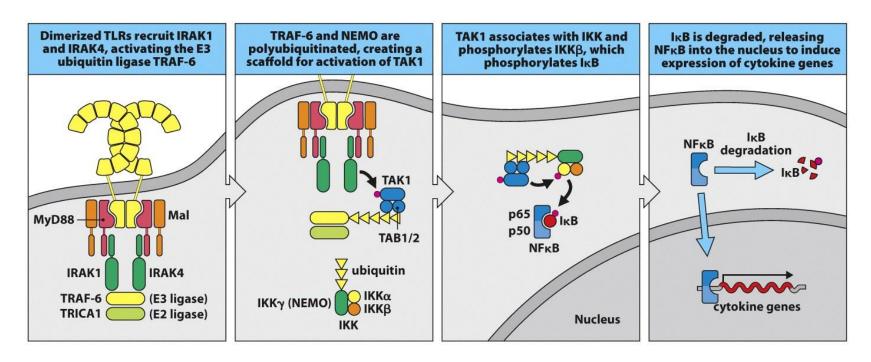
Innate immune recognition by mammalian Toll-like receptors			
Toll-like receptor	Ligand		
TLR-1:TLR-2 heterodimer	Lipomannans (mycobacteria) Diacyl and triacyl lipopeptides (bacteria) Lipoteichoic acids (Gram-positive bacteria) Cell-wall β-glucans (fungi)		
TLR-2:TLR-6 heterodimer			
TLR-3	Double-stranded RNA (viruses), poly I:C		
TLR-4	LPS (Gram-negative bacteria) LPS: lipopolysaccharide (only present in Gram-negative bacteria cell wall)		
TLR-5	Flagellin (bacteria)		
TLR-7	Single-stranded RNA (viruses)		
TLR-8	Single-stranded RNA (viruses)		
TLR-9	DNA with unmethylated CpG (bacteria and DNA viruses)		
TLR-10 (human only)	Unknown		
TLR-11 (mouse only)	Profilin and profilin-like proteins (<i>Toxoplasma gondii</i> , uropathogenic bacteria)		
TLR-12 (mouse only)	Profilin (<i>Toxoplasma gondii</i>)		
TLR-13 (mouse only)	Single-stranded RNA (bacterial ribosomal RNA)		

Table 12–2. Examples of Molecular Patterns of Microbes and Pattern Recognition Receptors of Innate Immunity

Molecular pattern of microbe	Source	Pattern recognition receptor of innate immunity	Principal innate immune response
dsRNA	Replicating viruses	Toll-like receptor?	Type I interferon production by infected cells
LPS	Gram-negative bacterial cell wall	Toll-like receptor/CD14	Macrophage activation
Unmethylated CpG nucleotides	Bacterial DNA	Toll-like receptor	Macrophage activation
N-formylmethionyl peptides			Neutrophil and macrophage activation
Mannose-rich glycans Microbial glycoproteins or glycolipids		Macrophage mannose receptor Plasma mannose-binding lectin Phagocytosis Opsonization, comple activation	
Phosphorylcholine and related molecules	Microbial membranes	Plasma C-reactive protein	Opsonization, complement activation

Abbreviations: dsRNA, double-stranded RNA; LPS, lipopolysaccharide.

TLR signaling can activate transcription factors (NFκB, AP-1, IRF) to induce the expression of Pro-inflammatory cytokines (IL-1, IL-6, TNF-α) and type I interferons (IFNs)



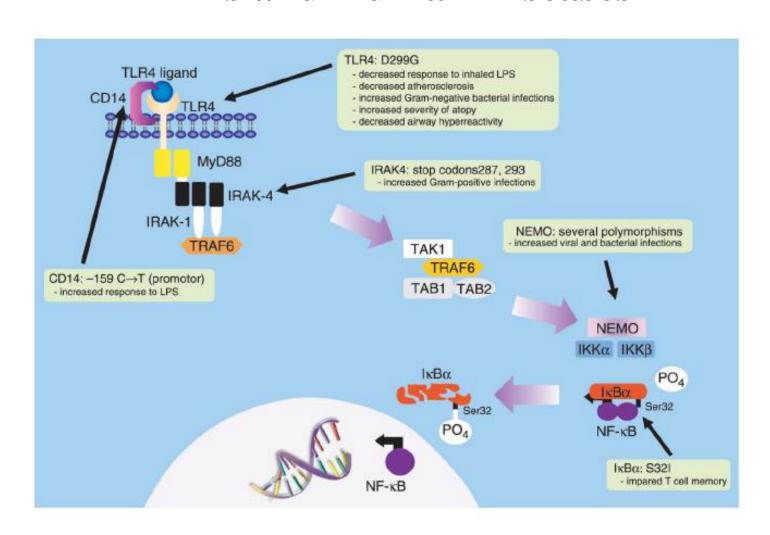
Adapters: MyD88, MAL, TRIF, TRAM (TIR, Death domains)

Signaling intermediates: IRAK1, IRAK4, TRAF-6, TAK1, TAB1/2

NEMO (IKK), NFκB.

Pro-inflammatory cytokines: Type-I interferons, IL-1, IL-6, TNF-α

TLRs and Human Diseases

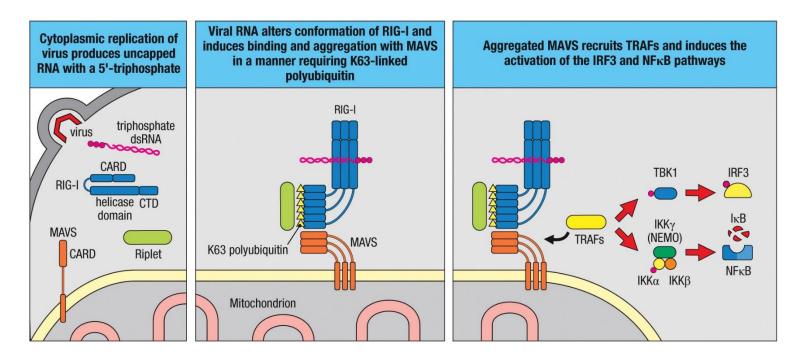


The **RIG-I–like** receptors detect cytoplasmic viral RNAs and activate MAVS to induce type I interferon production and pro-inflammatory cytokines

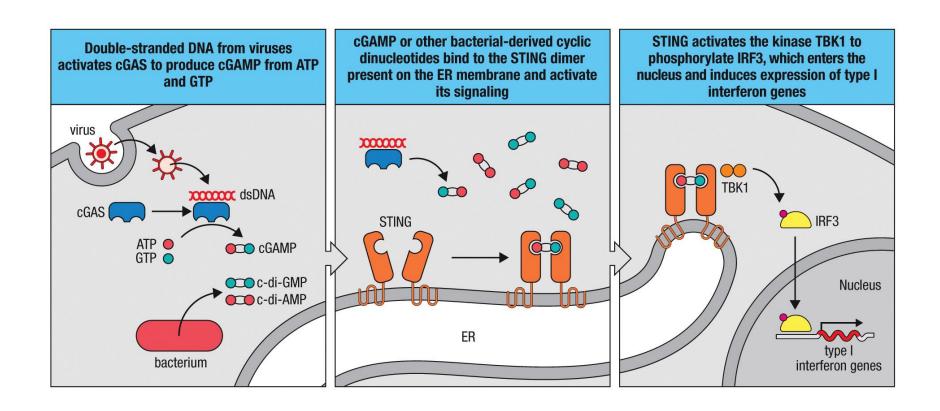
RIG-I: retinoic acid-inducible gene I. RNA helicase-like domain and CARD domain.

MDA-5 (helicard): dsRNA.

Type I interferons production.



cGAS is a cytosolic sensor of DNA and signals through **STING** to activate type I interferon production



The **NOD-like receptors** (NLRs) act as intracellular sensors of bacterial infection NLRs comprise a large family of intracellular sensors with diverse functions

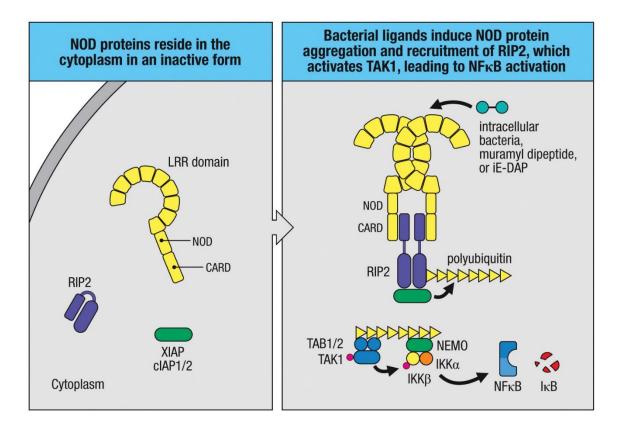
NOD: Nucleotide-binding oligomerization domain

CARD: caspase recruitment domain. LRRs.

NOD1: iE-DAP (Gram-). NOD2: muramyl dipeptide.

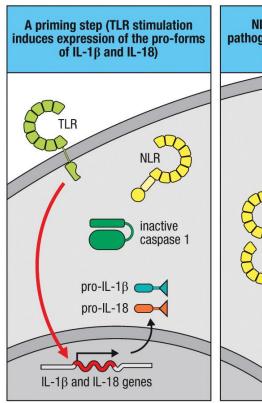
Crohn's disease (NOD2 loss-of-function)

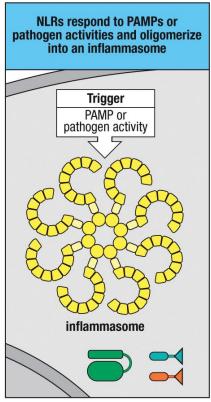
Blau syndrome (Gain-of-function)

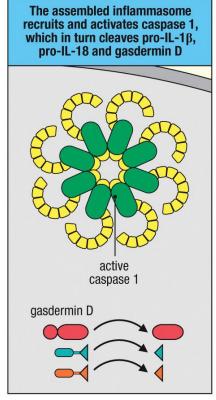


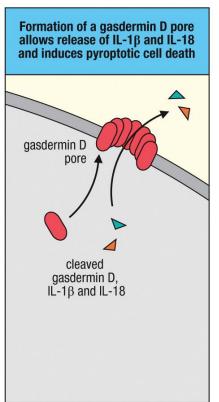
Certain NLR proteins react to infection or cellular damage by forming an **inflammasome** that induces cell death and secretion of inflammatory cytokines

NLR, ASC, pro-caspase 1, IL-1 β , IL-18, gasdermin D





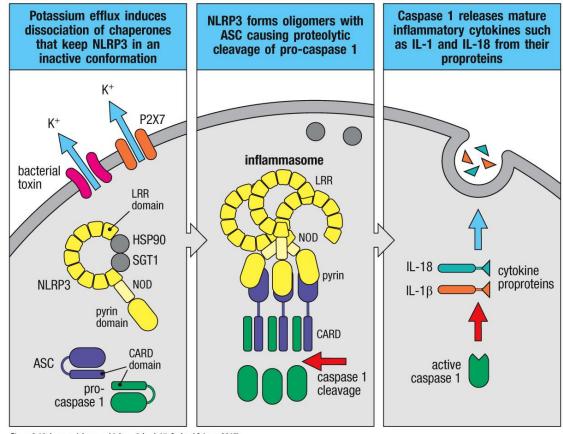




NALP3 (NLRP3, cryopyrin): pyrin domain (CARD-like domain) Sensors of cellular stress/damages.

Activation of caspase-1 → Inflammasome → pro-inflammatory Cytokines (IL-1, IL-18).

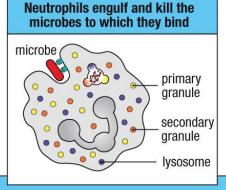
Gout. Familial cold inflammatory syndrome. Muckle-Wells syndrome



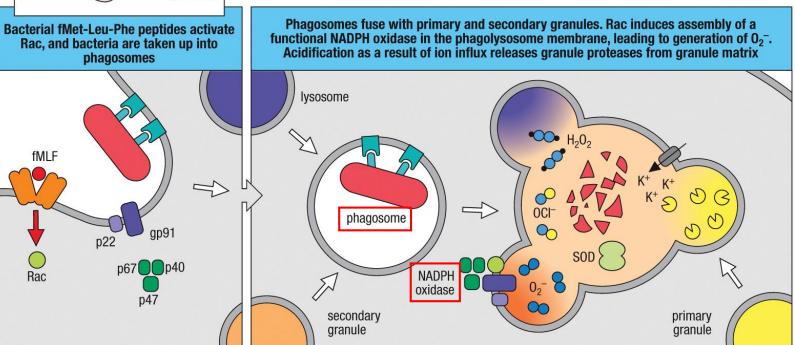
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Pathogen recognition by cells of the innate immune system

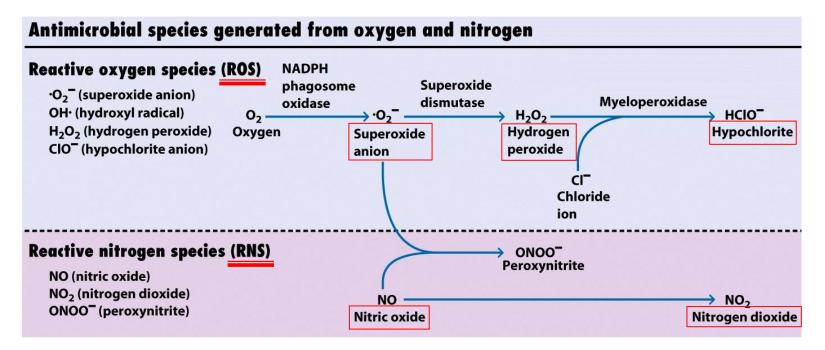
The microbicidal respiratory burst in phagocytes is initiated by activation-induced assembly of the phagocyte NADPH oxidase



Phagolysosome: Microbial killing
Oxygen-independent: Lysozymes, Defensins
Oxygen-dependent: NADPH oxidase,
Respiratory burst, Reactive oxygen species
(ROS), Reactive nitrogen species (RNS).

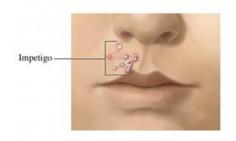


Antimicrobial mechanisms of phagocytes					
Class of mechanism	Macrophage products Neutrophil products				
Acidification	pH ≈ 3.5–4.0, bacteriostatic or bactericidal				
Toxic oxygen-derived products	Superoxide 0_2^- , hydrogen peroxide H_2O_2 , singlet oxygen $^1O_2^{\bullet}$, hydroxyl radical $^{\bullet}OH$, hypochlorite OCI^-				
Toxic nitrogen oxides	Nitric oxide NO				
Antimicrobial peptides	Cathelicidin, macrophage elastase–derived peptide	α-Defensins (HNP1–4), β-defensin HBD4, cathelicidin, azurocidin, bacterial permeability inducing protein (BPI), lactoferricin			
Enzymes	Lysozyme: digests cell walls of some Gram-positive bacteria Acid hydrolases (e.g., elastase and other proteases): break down ingested microbes				
Competitors		Lactoferrin (sequesters Fe ²⁺), vitamin B ₁₂ -binding protein			



Nitric oxide is produced by nitric oxide synthase, iNOS2. Superoxide is produced by a multicomponent, membrane-associated NADPH oxidase. The activation of NADPH oxidase is accompanied by a transient increase in oxygen consumption (respiratory burst).

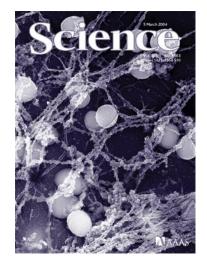
Chronic Granulomatous Disease (CGD). Defects in Cyt gp91^{phox}, Cyt gp67^{phox}, or Cyt gp22^{phox}.

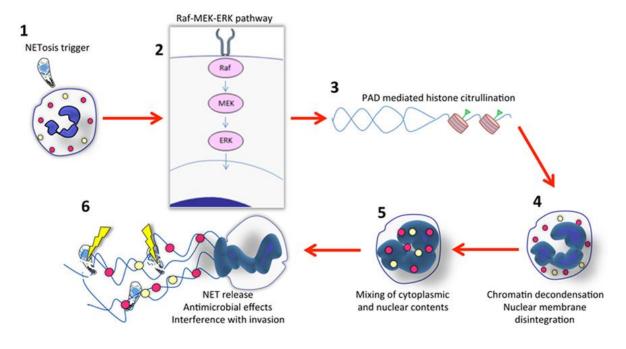


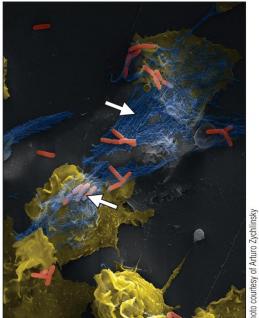




Neutrophil Extracellular Traps (NETs)





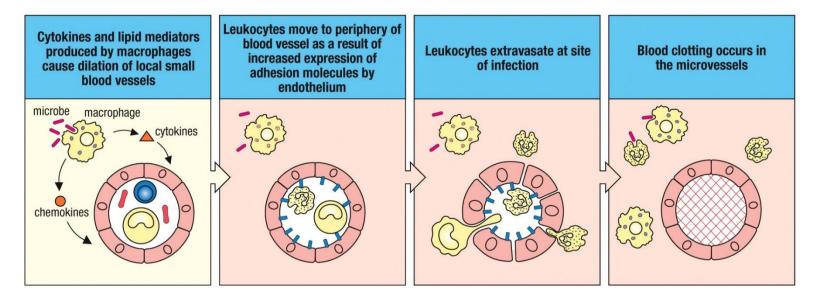


Microbial recognition and tissue damage initiate an **inflammatory response**

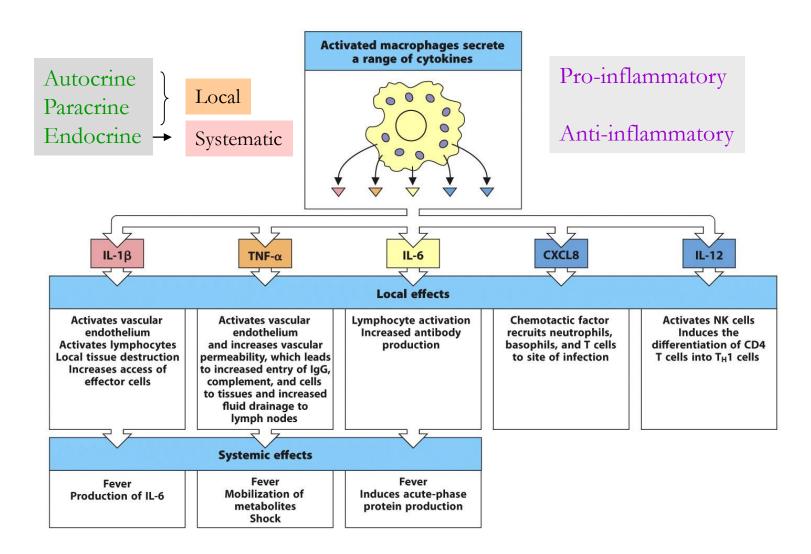
Inflammation:

Redness (Rubor), Swelling (Tumor), Heat (Calor), and Pain (Dolor).

Activated Phagocytes: Cytokines (pro-inflammatory), Chemokines. Vascular permeability, activation of leukocytes and endothelium, cell adhesion molecules, extravasation, edma, coagulation system. Prostaglandins, leukotrienes, TNF- α



Macrophages and DCs activated by pathogens secrete a range of cytokines that have a variety of local and distant effects



Important cytokine and chemokine receptors in innate immunity

Homodimeric receptors		Receptors for erythropoietin and growth hormone	
Heterodimeric	βε	Receptors for IL-3, IL-5, GM-CSF share a common chain, CD131 or β_c (common β chain)	
receptors with a common chain	ус у	Receptors for IL-2, IL-4, IL-7, IL-9, IL-15, and IL-21 share a common chain, CD132 or γ_c (common γ chain). IL-2 receptor also has a third chain, a high-affinity subunit IL-2R α (CD25)	
Heterodimeric receptors (no common chain)		IL-1 family receptors	
		Receptors for IL-13, IFN- α , IFN- β , IFN- γ , IL-10	
TNF receptor family		Tumor necrosis factor (TNF) receptors I and II, CD40, Fas (Apo1, CD95), CD30, CD27, nerve growth factor receptor	
Chemokine receptor family		CCR1-10, CXCR1-5, XCR1, CX3CR1	

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Charles Dinarello/IL-1

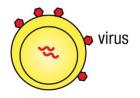
Marc Feldman/TNF

Tadamitsu Kishimoto/IL-6

Innate lymphoid cells (ILCs) provide protection in early infection

The major categories of innate lymphoid cells (ILCs) and their properties					
Innate lymphoid subgroup	Inducing cytokines	Effector molecules produced	Function		
NK cells	IL-12, IL-18, type I IFN	IFN-γ, perforin, granzyme	Immunity against viruses, intracellular pathogens		
ILC1	IL-12, IL-18	IFN-γ	Defense against viruses, intracellular pathogens		
ILC2	IL-25, IL-33, TSLP	IL-5, IL-13, amphiregulin, IL-4	Expulsion of extracellular parasites, tissue repair		
ILC3 (LTi cells)	IL-1β, IL-23	IL-17, IL-22	Immunity to extracellular bacteria		

Virus-infected host cells



IFN- α , IFN- β

Activate STAT1 and STAT2, which combine with IRF9 to form ISGF3

Induce resistance to viral replication in all cells by inducing Mx proteins, 2´,5´-linked adenosine oligomers, and the kinase PKR

Enhance sensing of viral infection by increasing expression of PRRs and signaling components

Induce expression of IFIT proteins, which suppress the translation of viral RNA

Increase MHC class I expression and antigen presentation in all cells

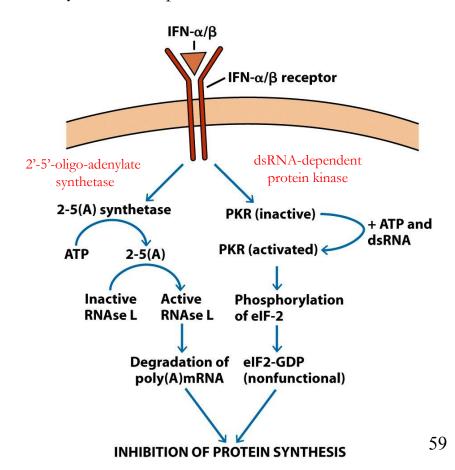
Activate dendritic cells and macrophages

Activate NK cells to kill virus-infected cells

Induce chemokines to recruit lymphocytes

Type I interferons induced by viral infection make several contributions to host defense

Interferons are antiviral proteins produced by cells in response to viral infection



NK cells are activated by interferons and macrophage-derived cytokines for early defense against intracellular infections

