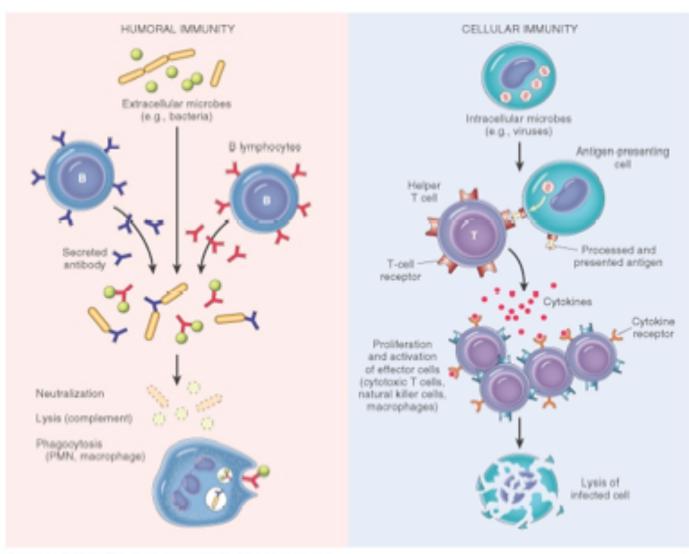
Cell Mediated Immunity

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Objectives

- To describe antigen recognition by T cells
- To describe the pathways involved in processing endogenous and exogenous antigens
- To discuss self MHC restriction in Ag presentation to T cells
- To describe the induction of cell meditated immunity (Chronic Inflammation)



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Other cells

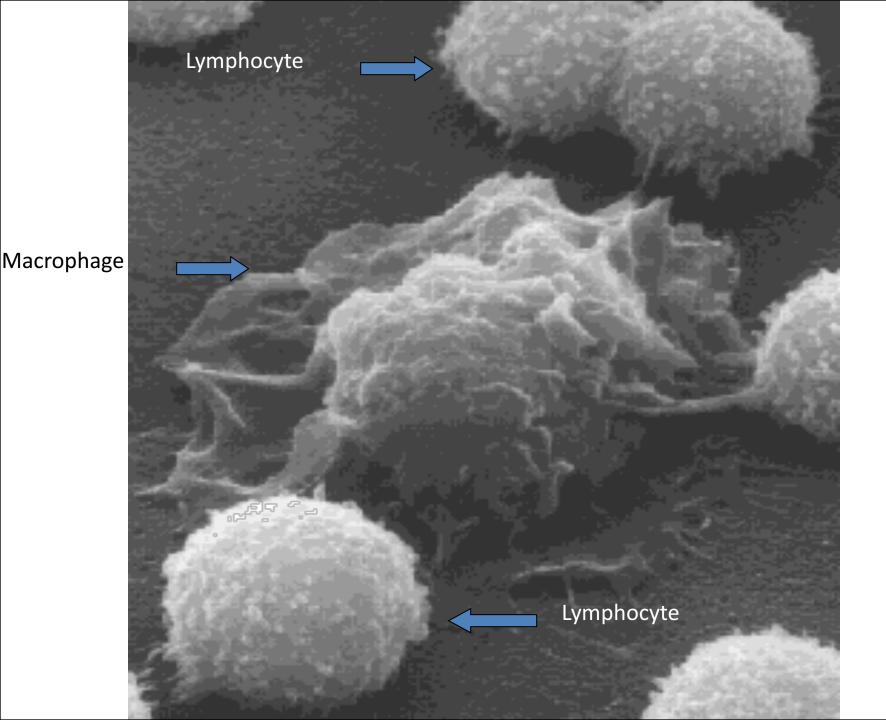
Cell Mediated Immunity (CMI)

 T cells (lymphocytes) via their receptors bind to the surface of other cells (Antigen Presenting Cells) that display the processed antigen and trigger a response

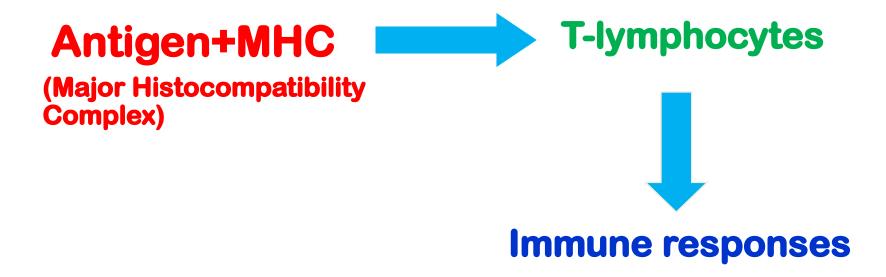
 Mononuclear cell inflammatory process usually associated with chronic inflammations

Antigen Presenting cells

Monocytes : Peripheral blood Macrophages : Tissues Dendritic cells : Lymphoid tissues, skin (Langerhans cells) B-cells : Lymphoid tissue, Blood



Cell-Mediated Immunity (CMI)



Major Histocompatibility Complex (MHC)

- Major histocompatibility complex (MHC) proteins were discovered for the first time when tissue transplantation started
- The success of tissue and organ transplantation depends upon the match of donor's and recipient's "*human leukocyte antigens*" (HLA) encoded by HLA genes
- Genes for HLA proteins are clustered in the MHC complex located on the short arm of chromosome 6

MHC

- Each individual has two "*haplotypes*" ie, two sets of these genes one paternal and one maternal
- A1 A2 CW1 CW3 B8 B5 DR1 DR2
- MHC Class I molecules are found on the surface of virtually all nucleated cells
- MHC Class II molecules are normally present of the surface of antigen presenting cells such as:
 - Marophages,
 - Dendritic cells
 - B cells

Biologic Importance of MHC

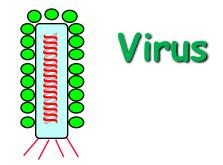
- Antigen recognition
 - T cytotoxic (CD8) cells kill virus infected cells in association with class I MHC proteins
 - T helper (CD4) cells recognize antigen in association with class II MHC proteins

This is called MHC restriction

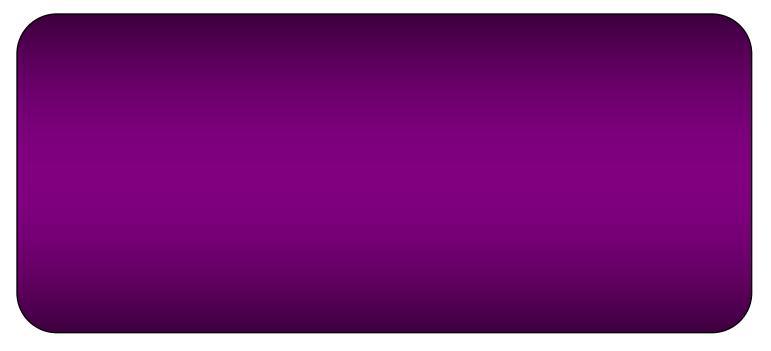
- Transplantation
 - Success of organ transplant is determined by compatibility of the MHC genes

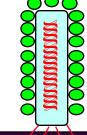
1. Endogenous antigen (Cytoplasm)

2. Exogenous antigen (Membrane Bound)



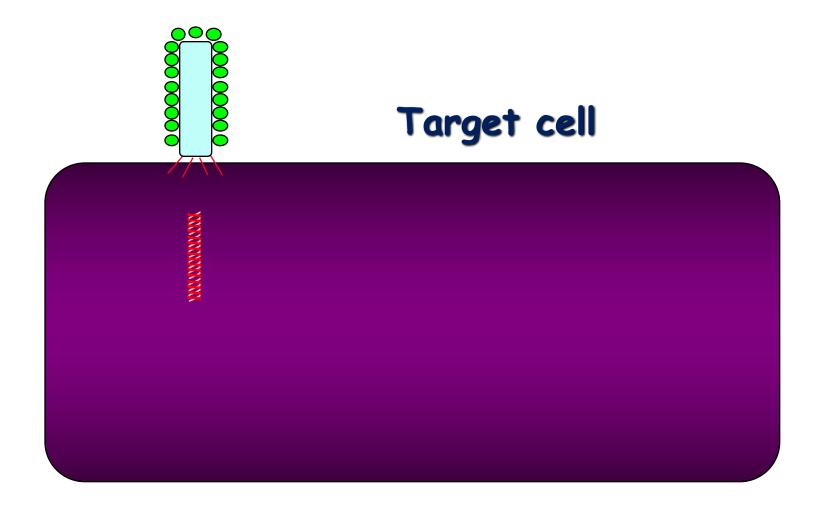


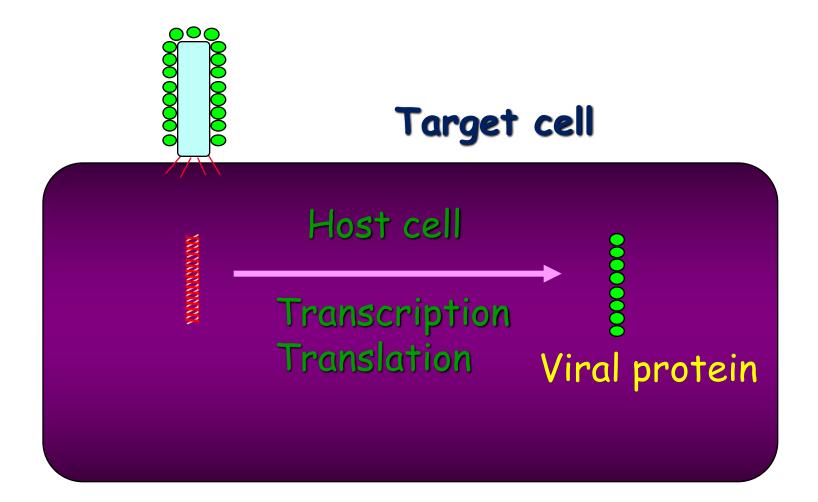


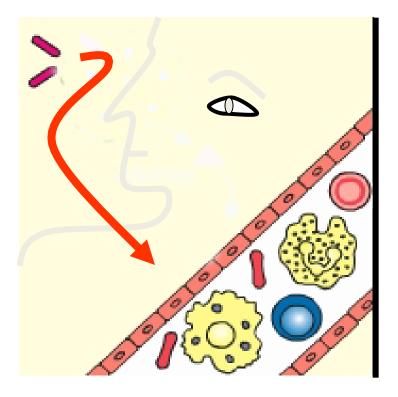




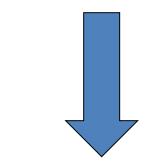








Exogenous antigen



Cell-mediated immunity



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Exogenous antigen

Class II MHC

CMI

(Cell Mediated Immunity)

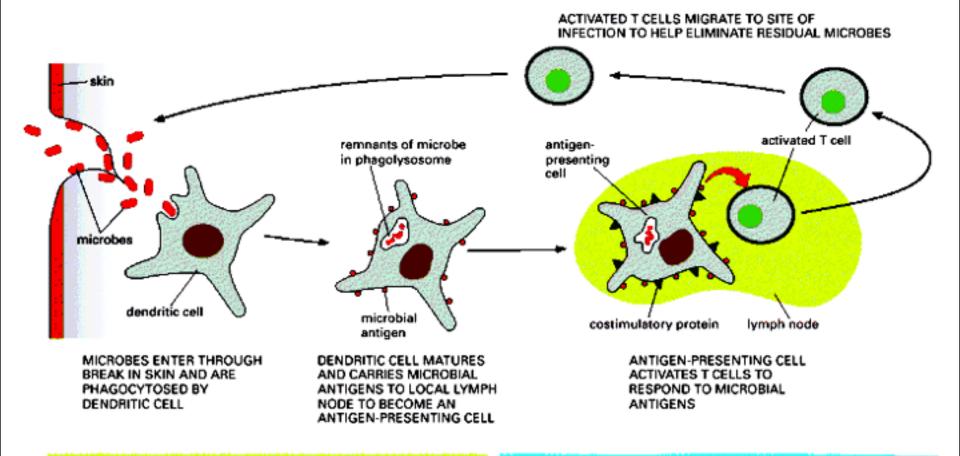
Antigen presenting cells Monocytes/Macrophages Dendritic cells Langerhans cells B-cells

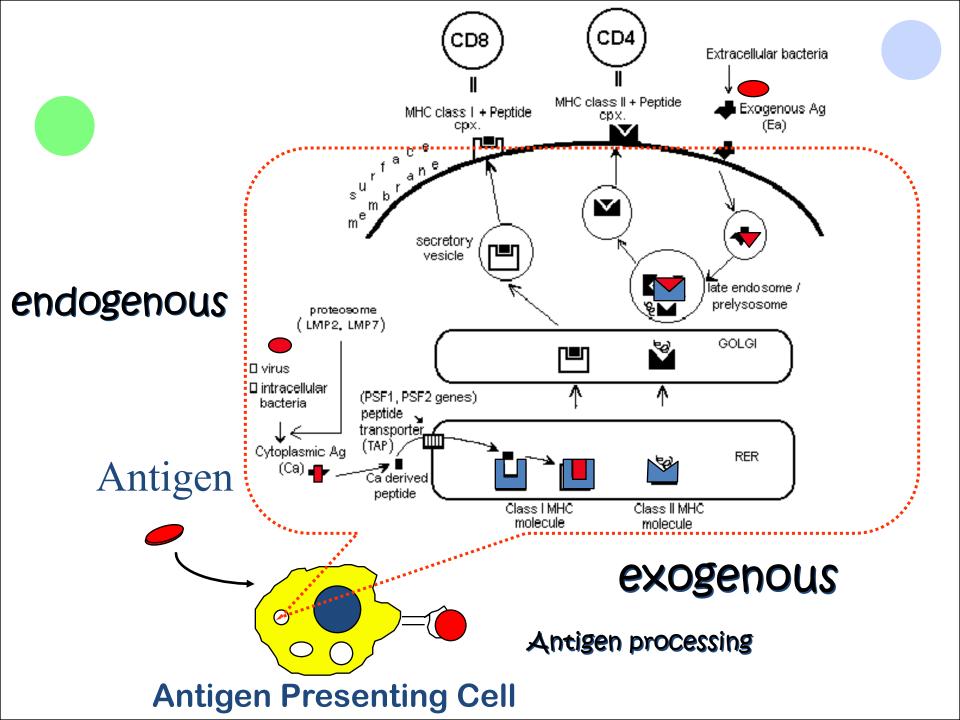
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Antigen Presenting Cells

•Dendritic cells and macrophages digest invading microbe and then present the antigen of the microbe to lymphocytes in lymphoid organs.



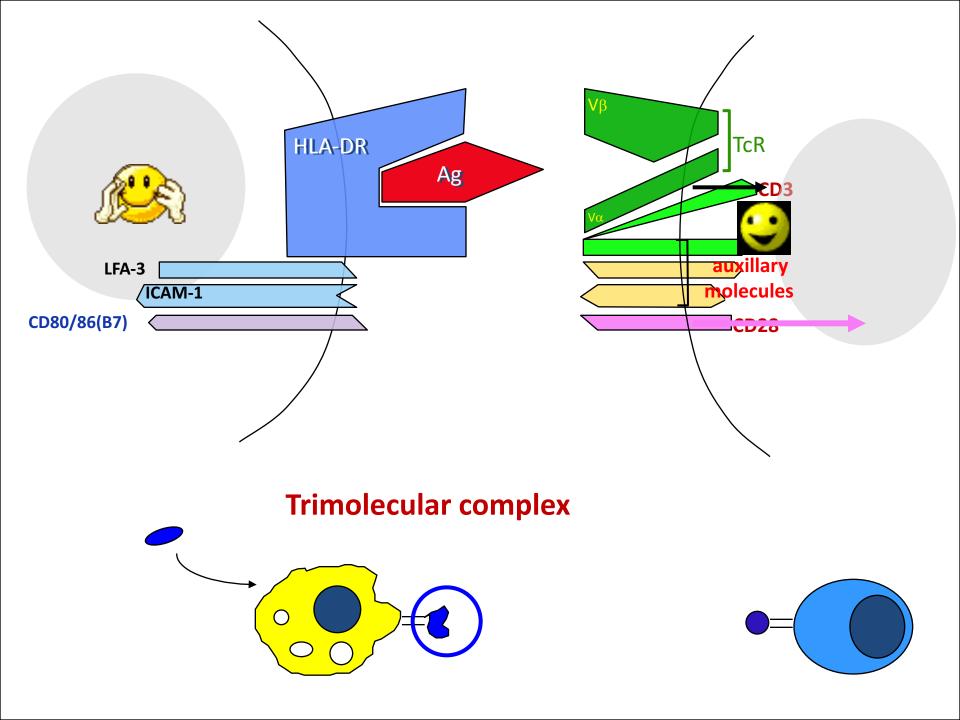


Two signals are required of activation of T cells

- Two signals are required to activate T cells
- First signal

<u>Class II MHC + antigen – TCR</u> IL-1, LFA-1 with ICAM

 Second signal (Costimulatory signal) B7 on APC interacts with CD28 on lymphocyte



T lymphocytes ("T cells"): CMI

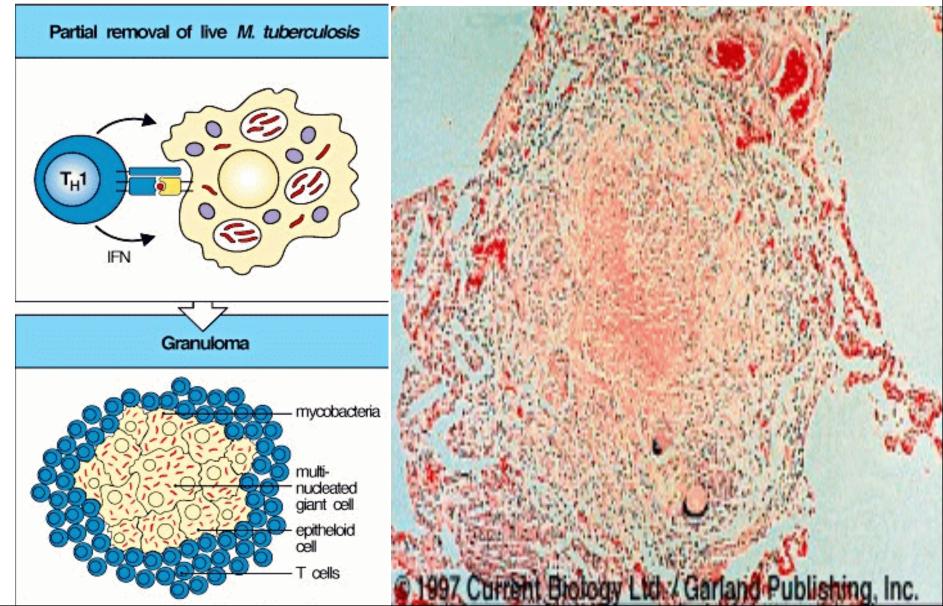
- Subsets include:
 - CD4+ helper T cells enhance CMI and production of antibodies by B cells
 - CD8+ cytotoxic T lymphocytes (CTLs) that kill virus-infected and tumor cells

NKT cells, and NK cells can also eliminate infected cells and abnormal tumor cells

Out come of T helper cell activation

- Production of IL-2 and its receptor
 - IL-2 is also know as T cell growth factor
 - Proliferation of antigen specific T cells
 - Effector and regulatory cells are produced along with *"memory"* cells
 - IL-2 also stimulates CD8 cytotoxic cells
- Production of Interferons
 - Enhances anti-microbial activity of macrophages

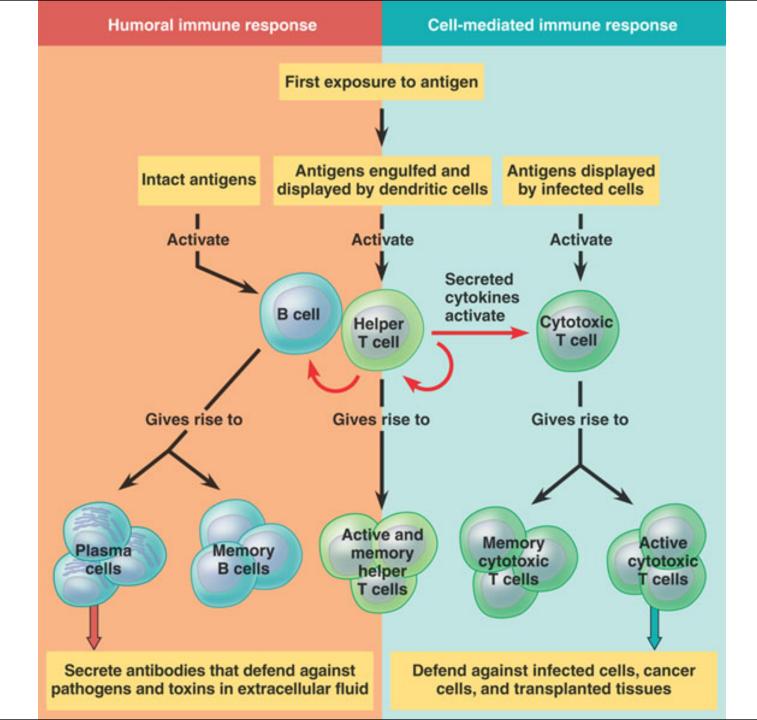
Granuloma Formation (Chronic Inflammation, e.g., TB)



Out come of T helper cell activation

Memory T cells

- Respond rapidly for many years after initial exposure to antigen
- A large number of memory cells are produced so that the secondary response is greater than the primary
- Memory cells live for many years and have the capacity to multiply
- They are activated by smaller amount of antigen
- They produce greater amounts of interleukins



• Examples of Cell Mediated Immunity

- Delayed type of hypersensitivity (DTH) reaction: the tuberculin test
 - Mediated by CD4+ T cells and takes about 72 hours to develop
- 2. Contact hpersensitivity
 - Many people develop rashes on their skin following contact with certain chemicals such as nickel, certain dyes, and poison ivy plant
 - The response takes some 24 hours to occur and like DTH, is triggered by CD4+ T cells

Necklace Rash





Contact Dermatitis



Take Home Message

- Cell mediated adaptive immune response is specific and develops after exposure to a pathogen (antigen)
- Initial antigen exposure results in generation of memory cells for a stronger and a quicker response against future exposures to the same pathogen
- It is usually associated with chronic infections
- Antibodies are not involved