Cell mediated immune response

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Naive T cells:

Mature cells that have not yet encountered their specific Ag

priming

The activation and clonal expansion of a naive T cell on its initial encounter with Ag

effector T cells

The T cells that perform the functions of an immune response: cell killing, cell activation that clear the infectious agent .

Target cells:

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The cells on which effector T cells act

T cell activation

- Naive T cell recognizes its specific antigen on the surface of a mature DC, it ceases to migrate. proliferates for several days
- Clonal expansion/differentiation: effector T cells and memory cells of identical Ag specificity
- the effector T cells exit into the efferent lymphatics and reenter the bloodstream, migrate to the sites of infection

Key steps in T cell activation

- APC must process and present peptides to T cells
- T cells must receive co-stimulatory signal
- Accessory adhesion molecules stabilize binding of TCR and MHC
- Signal from cell surface is transmitted to nucleus
- Cytokines produced help drive cell proliferation









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CD28

- A glycoprotein that is expressed as a homodimer on T cells
- CD28 binds two distinct cell surface molecules,
 B7.1 (CD80) / B7.2 (CD86), found on APCs.
- TCR stimulation and the interaction CD28:B7 activate T cells and results in great lymphokine production.







- T-cell integrins are to mediate adhesion to APCs, endothelial cells, and extracellular matrix proteins.
- The avidity of integrins for their ligands is increased rapidly on exposure of the Tcells to chemokines and after stimulation of T-cells through the TCR.





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Subsets of T helper Cells

- T helper 1
 - IgG production/Complement fixation
 - Macrophage activation
 - DTH
 - CTL production
- T helper 2
 - IgE production
 - Eosinophils







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Types of T cells

Cytotoxic T (Tc) Cells (CD8):

- Naïve CD8 T cells require more co-stimulatory activity to drive them to become activated effector cells than do naive CD4 T cells.
- Kill host cells that are infected with viruses or bacteria.
- Recognize and kill cancer cells.
- destroy transplanted tissue.
- Release *perforin* causing lysis of infected cells.
- Undergo *apoptosis* when stimulating antigen is gone.













Regulation of T cell Responses

Inhibition by Treg cells

- T reg cells inhibit in an antigen specific manner
- Inhibit both CD4 and CD8 cell activation

Activation induced regulation

- Induction of CTLA-4
- Induction of FasL

Inhibition by dendritic cells

- Immature DC inhibit/tolerize T cells
- CTLA-4 induction of tolerance

CTLA-4

cytotoxic T lymphocyte-associated antigen 4-Ig

- (CTLA41g) The cell-surface protein CTLA-4 is produced by activated T cells and is an inhibitory receptor for B7 (<u>Negative regulator</u> of T-cell activation)
- a T-cell surface molecule induced on activation and not found on resting cells.
- **CTLA-4** shares considerable sequence homology with CD28 and, like CD28, binds B7.1 and B7.2 on the APC.
- Unlike CD28, CTLA-4 delivers <u>inhibitory signals</u> to T cells, so that engagement of CTLA-4 tends to strongly diminish T-cell responses.





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