# Interleukin-1 role in human Th-17 cell responses, dendritic cell activation, and epithelial cell transformation

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Human Dendritic Cells Activation by β-Glucan



Skin carcinogenesis (DMBA/TPA)



## Activation of human Dendritic Cells by ITAM-signaling receptors







Human Monocyte-derived Dendritic Cells

### Pattern Recognition Receptors (PRR)







### Table 1. Fungal PAMPs and their receptors

PAMP	PRR(s)
β-1,2 mannosides	Galectin-3
β-glucan	Dectin-1, SP-D, lactosylceramide
Chitin	Unknown
Phospholipomannan	TLR2
Glucuronoxylomannan	CD14, TLR4
Mannan	TLR4; SP-A; SP-D, MR, DC-SIGN, Dectin-2, MBL
Galactomannan	PTX3 (pentraxin-3)
DNA	TLR9





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# Cytokine profile induced by β-glucan and LPS in human monocyte-derived DCs





2h 4h 6h 12h 24h

times after stimulation



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times after stimulation

6.3E+07

4.2 E+07

2.1 E+07

0.0E+00

1.8E+07

1.2E+07

6.0 E+06

 $0.0 \pm 00$ 

IL-16

IL-23p19

30'

9.6E+05

6.4E+05

3.2E+05

0.0E+00

9.0E+04

6.0E+04

3.0E+04

0.0E+00

IL-1B

IL-23p19

30'

copy number/μg, normalized by GAPDH





### Role of endogeneous IL-1 in the regulation of the late gene expression induced by β-glucan in human mono-DCs

Early Genes

Late Genes







# Microarray analysis of the transcripts induced by b-glucan in human mono-DCs in the presence or not of IL-1RA





# LPS induces "late genes" expression with a faster kinetic than $\beta$ -glucan in human mono-DCs

untreated

β-glucan

LPS



> Both LPS and  $\beta$ -Glucan induce phosphorylation of p38 and ERK1/2 at 30 minutes or earlier.

> LPS induces phosphorylation of lkB- $\alpha$ and NF- $\kappa$ B activation already at 30 minutes whereas  $\beta$ -Glucan induces them only at 4-6 hours.

> IkB- $\alpha$  phosphorylation and degradation by  $\beta$ -glucan but not by LPS is reversed by Interleukin-1RA.



# The expression of "Late genes" in human DCs stimulated by $\beta$ -Glucan is dependent on IL-1 $\beta$ and, to a lesser extent, IL-1 $\alpha$



Caspase-1 inhibitors decrease IL-1 $\beta$  and also IL-23 and IL-10 secretion by  $\beta$ -glucan-activated mono-DC



Anti-IL-1 $\beta$  is more effective than anti-IL-1 $\alpha$  to inhibit IL-23 production by  $\beta$ -glucan-activated mono-DC



Production of IL-1 $\beta$  and IL-1 $\alpha$  by  $\beta$ -glucan-stimulated mono-DC





IL-1 $\beta$  has a central role in the Th17 response by being involved in an autocrine way to increase production of the Th-17 inducing cytokine IL-6 and IL-23 from DC and by directly acting on the CD4+ T cells in the induction of IL-17 production.





# Role of IL-1c. in skin carcinogenesis





### MyD88 is required for DMBA-induced Mouse Skin Tumorigenesis



weeks



Bone marrow chimera experiments indicate that optimal skin carcinogenesis requires MyD88 expression both in hematopoietic cells and in recipient cells





### v-ras<sup>Ha</sup> transformed keratinocytes from wild type mice produce CXCR2 ligands and other cytokines



M: mock-transduced R: v-ras<sup>Ha</sup>-transduced



# Upregulation of CXCR2 ligands by oncogenic v-ras<sup>Ha</sup> in primary keratinocytes requires EGFR expression



v-ras<sup>Ha</sup> transformed keratinocytes from MyD88-/- mice are able to produce EGFR ligands







Heparin binding EGF

1.00

### Betacellulin



M: mock-transduced R: v-ras<sup>Ha</sup>-transduced



### Ras target genes affected by MyD88 deficiency are NF- $\kappa$ B regulated







rikb

**mcmv**: mock, control Ad; **mikb**: mock, IκBαSR Ad **rcmv**: v-ras, control Ad; **rikb**: v-ras, IκBαSR Ad

# Ras induction of IL-1 $\alpha$ is EGFR-dependent but only partially MyD88 and NF $\kappa$ B dependent













IL-1RA inhibits the production of pro-inflammatory chemokines and cytokines by v-ras<sup>Ha</sup> transformed keratinocytes

















### Gene expression (microarray analysis) in v-ras<sup>ha</sup> transduced mouse keratinocytes treated with IL-1RA





### Nude mouse grafting of v-ras<sup>Ha</sup> transduced keratinocyets





MyD88+/+

MyD88-/-



### Nude mouse grafting of v-ras<sup>Ha</sup> transduced keratinocyets

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# TNF -/- mice have more lymphocytic infiltration and more pronounced inflammation following 4 cycles of DSS



### **Cancer and Inflammation**

<u>Tumor Necrosis Factor can be an anti-tumor or a tumor promoting factor</u> depending on the producer cell type and likely the location and time of production



Targeting inflammation for preventing cancer initiation and progression



William B. Coley (1862-1936)



Heat-killed Streptococcus pyogenes and Bacillus prodigiosus (Serratia marcescens)

W. B. Coley: "The treatment of malignant tumors by repeated inoculation of erysipelas: With a report of ten original cases". A. J. Med. Sci. 105:487, 1893

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Innate (Natural) Resistance (Inflammation)



Cancer

Natural resistance to tumors Non-specific inflammatory anti-tumor effects

> Pro-inflammatory cancer therapy (Coley Toxin, BCG, TLR ligands)



Tumor-specific Immunity Immuno-surveillance

Antigen-specific immunotherapy





Claudius Galenus of Pergamon ca 130- ca 200

> The term cancer was originally applied by Galenus to certain tumors of the breast in which superficial veins appeared much swollen and radiated somewhat like the claws of a crab Later the name was extended to include all malignant and infiltrating growths.



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Rudolph Virchow 1821-1902

Although the role of inflammation in favoring carcinogenesis has generated much interest in the last 10-15 years, the Greek physician Claudius Galenus already observed almost 2 thousand years ago some similarity among cancer and inflammation.

In 1863 Rudolf Virchow noted leucocytes in neoplastic tissues and made a connection between inflammation and cancer. He suggested that the "lymphoreticular infiltrate" reflected the origin of cancer at sites of chronic inflammation.

The recent upsurge of studies linking cancer and inflammation were inspired by the observation made two decades ago by Harold Dvorak, M.D., of Harv ard University, who observed that inflammation and cancer share some basic developmental mechanisms (angiogenesis) and cells (lymphocytes, macrophages, and mast cells), and that tumors act like "wounds that do not heal."



Dr. Harold Dvorak Harv ard University



### Role of Toll-like receptors (TLRs) in cancer

•Toll-like receptors were originally studied prevalently in hematopoietic cells (primarily dendritic cells, phagocytes, and B lymphocytes) but at least some members of this receptor family are widely expressed on other cell types including tumor cells.

•Although they have been described to recognize products of foreign organisms (pathogenic or not) they also participate in the regulation of inflammation by recognizing endogenous ligands ("alarmins") that are present in inflamed tissues.

•The cellular response to TLR ligands is not only production of proinflammatory mediators but they are also involved in control of tissue homeostasis and regulate cellular differentiation, proliferation, and apoptosis. The balance between MyD88 and TRIF signaling and the production of type I IFN determine proliferation versus apoptosis in tissue and tumor cells and activation versus survival in dendritic cells.

•Epidemiologic/genetic evidence indicates a role of TLRs and signaling molecules (TLR1,2,6,10,3,4, MyD88, IRAK4) in the frequency and progression of human cancer.

### Pattern Recognition Receptors (PRR)



### Role of MyD88 in inflammation-dependent carcinogenesis: A tale of three Interleukins-1

