

# **Dendritic Cells: Basic Biology and Therapeutic Use**

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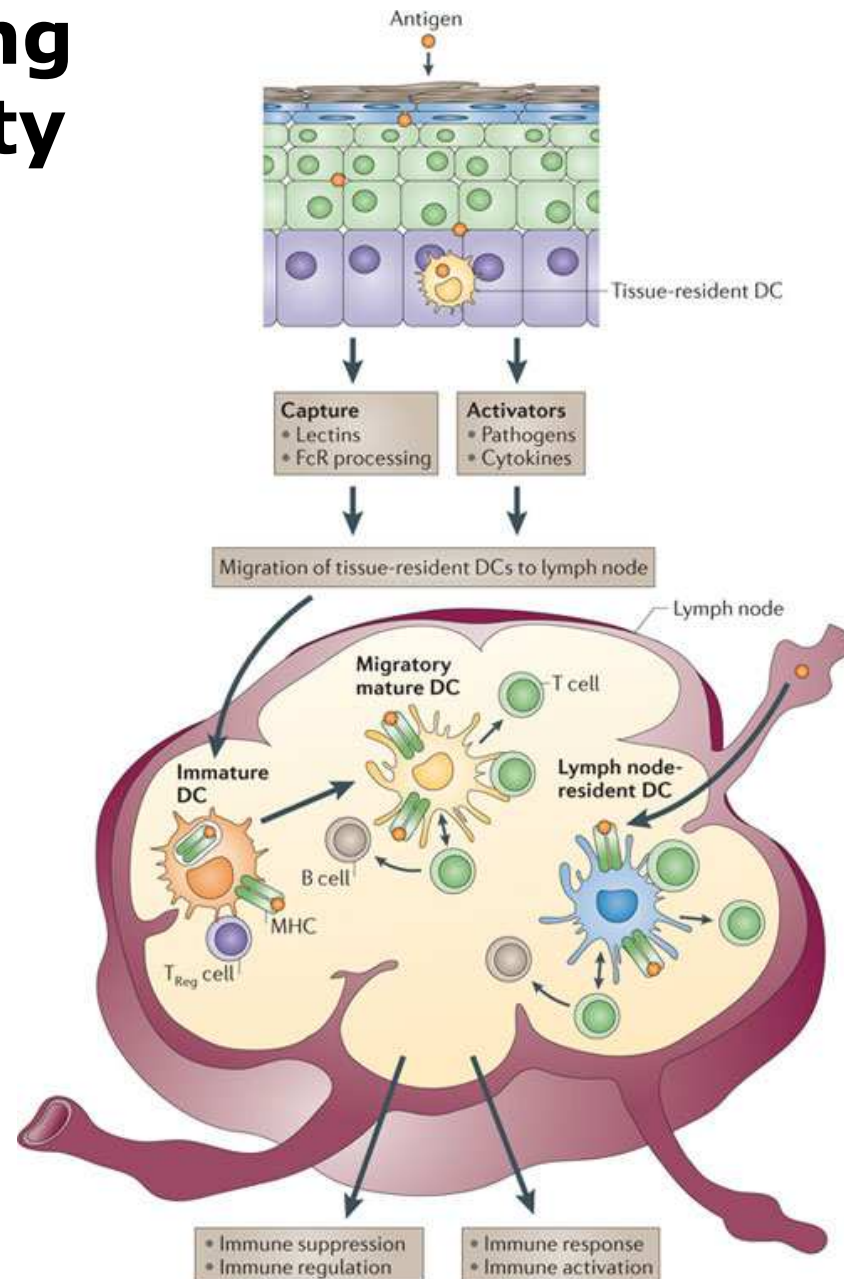
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# Launching immunity



**Innate  
Immunity**  
Non-clonal  
receptors;  
endosomal and  
cytosolic sensors

**Adaptive  
Immunity**  
Surface  
clonal receptors  
(TCRs BCRs);  
antigen specificity

# Dendritic Cells at the center of the immunologic universe

Sampling their environment

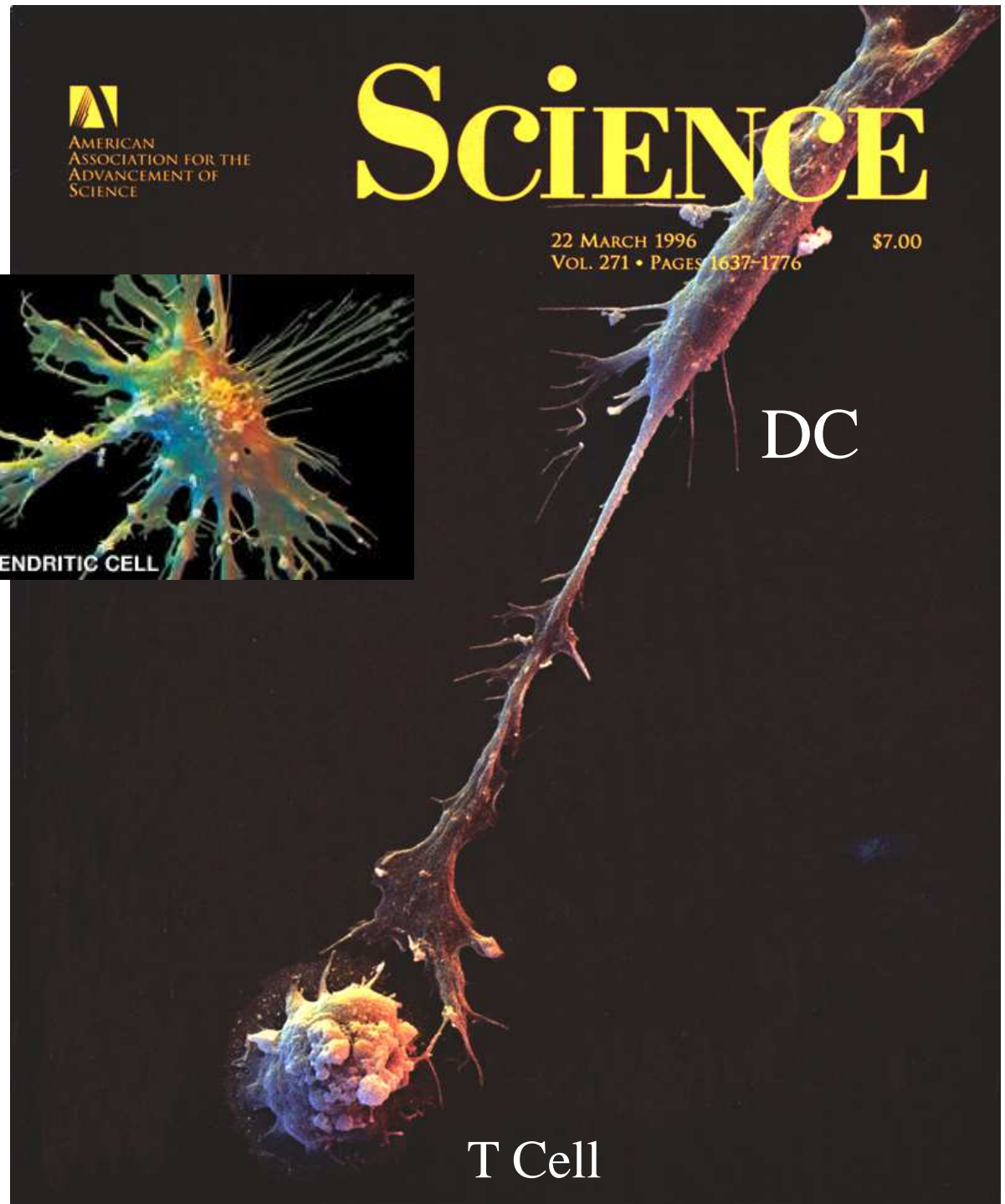
Sensing pathogens

Trafficking from the periphery to lymph nodes

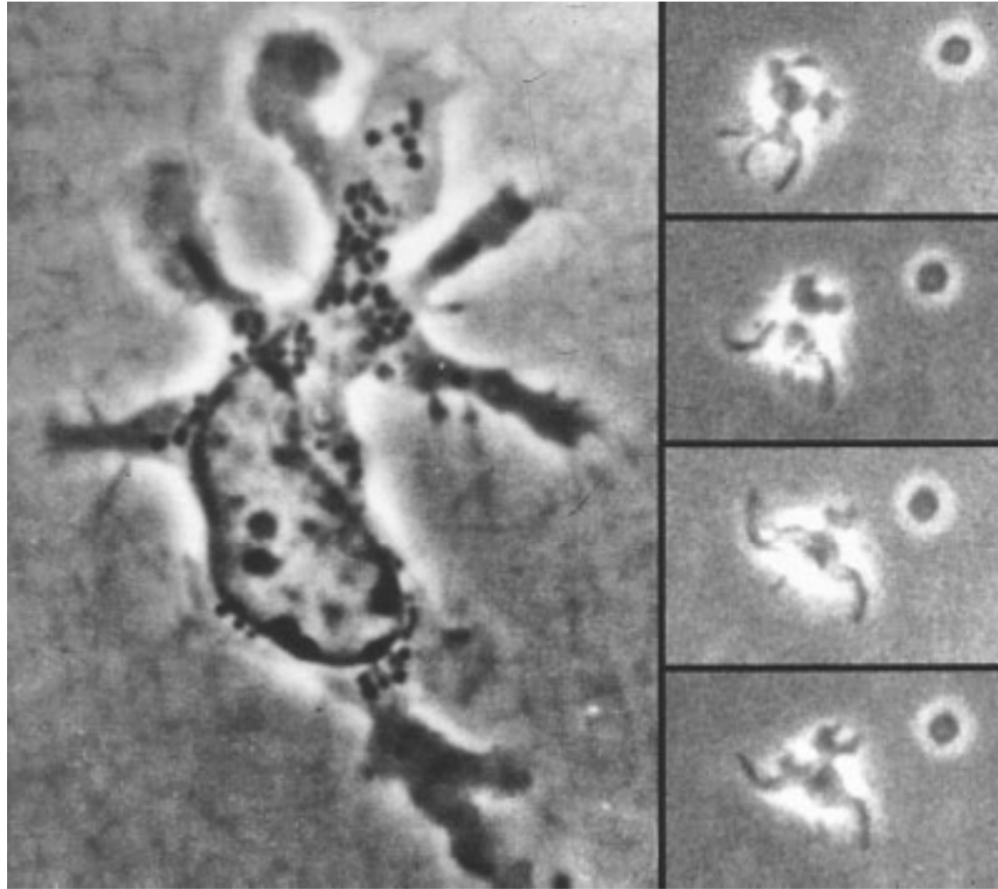
Presenting antigen and shaping the adaptive immune response

Inhibiting unwanted responses (tolerance) and activating needed responses

Many different types of DC



# Dendritic cells: Understanding immunogenicity



**Figure 1.** Phase contrast micrographs of dendritic cells. Left. A mouse spleen DC cultivated 24h in a plasma clot. Right. Four successive views of a living human blood DC cultivated in liquid medium to show the rapidly changing cell shape. The

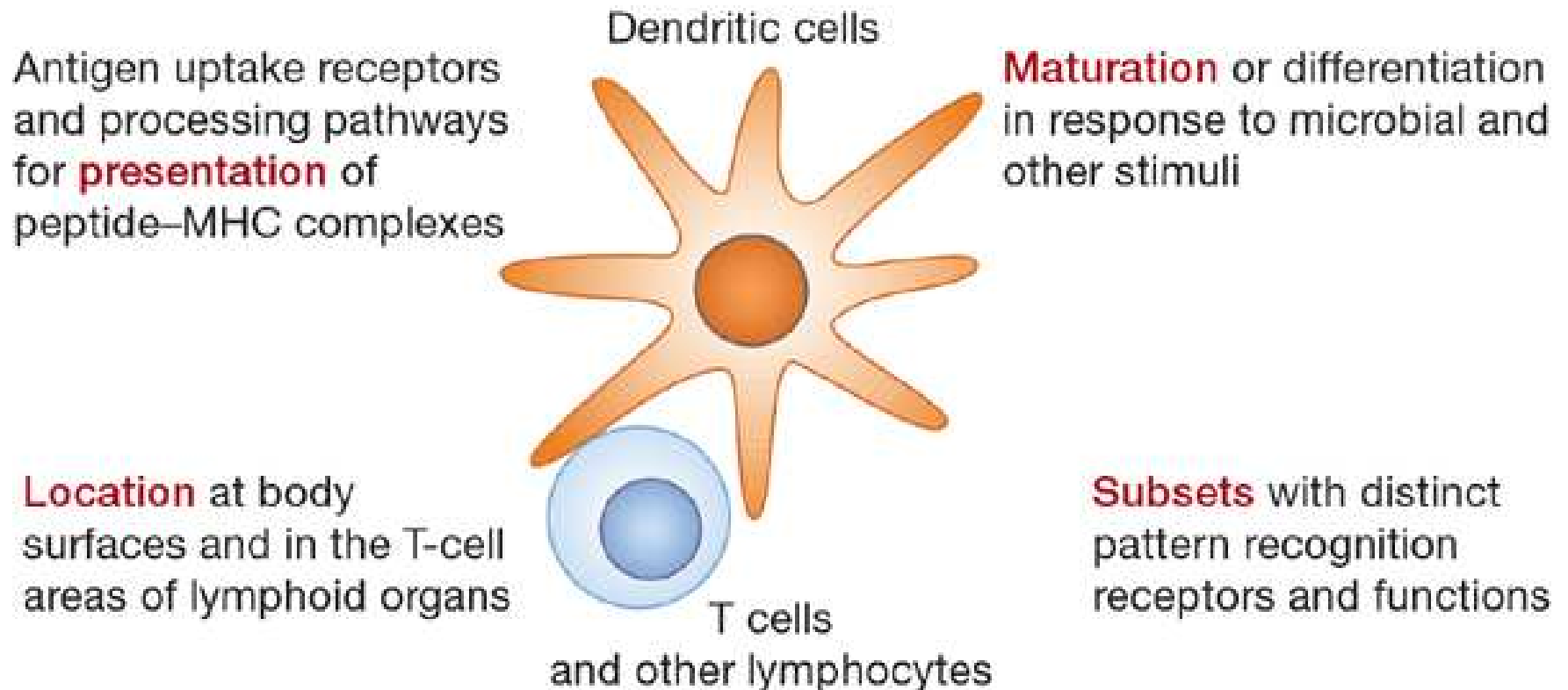
Ralph M. Steinman

***Dendritic cells: Ralph M. Steinman, MD  
2011 Nobel Prize in Medicine or Physiology***

Eur. J. Immunol. 2007. 37: S53–60

# Dendritic Cells

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## Regulation

*IFN- $\alpha$ , IL-12, IL-10*  
*IL-18, IL-6*

## Recognition/Capture

*Toll receptors*

*Mannose R*

*DEC205*

*Langerin*

*FcR, CD36, VNR*

*Aquaporins*

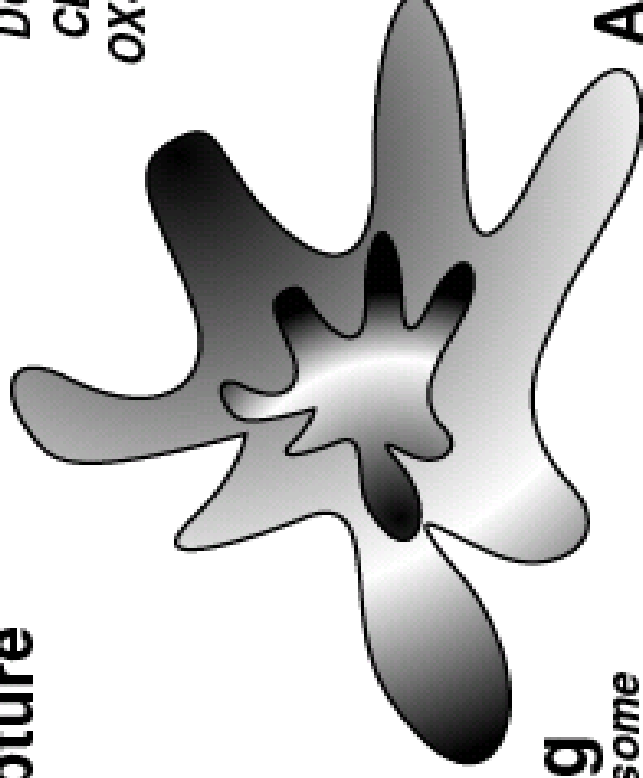
## Processing

*Endosome / Proteasome*

*Cystatin*

*DC-LAMP*

*Cathepsins*



## Costimulation

*DC-SIGN, LFA, ICAMs*  
*CD40, B7-1, B7-2, B7h*  
*OX40-L, 41-BB, TRANCE*  
*Blys*

## Presentation

*MHC class II, class I*  
*CD1*

## Attraction

*DC-CK1*

*MDC, TARC*

*Fractalkine*

*RANTES, MIP-1*

*MIP-3 $\beta$*

*IL-8, IL15*

## Migration

*CCR5/MIP-1 $\alpha$*

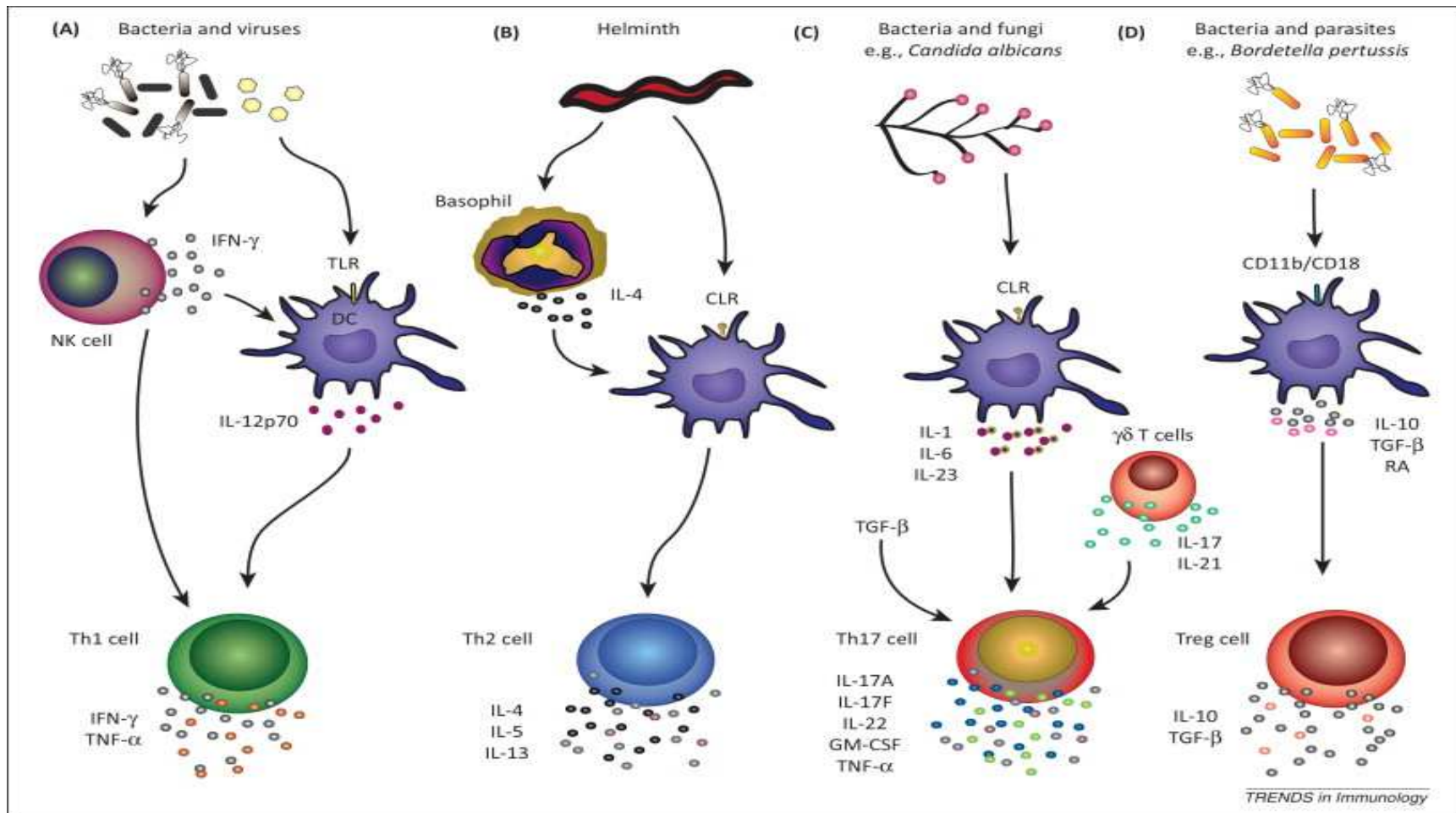
*CCR6/MIP-3 $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ defensins*

*CCR7/6Ckine, MIP-3 $\beta$*

*E-cadherin, CD44*

*CCR7/6Ckine, MIP-3 $\beta$*

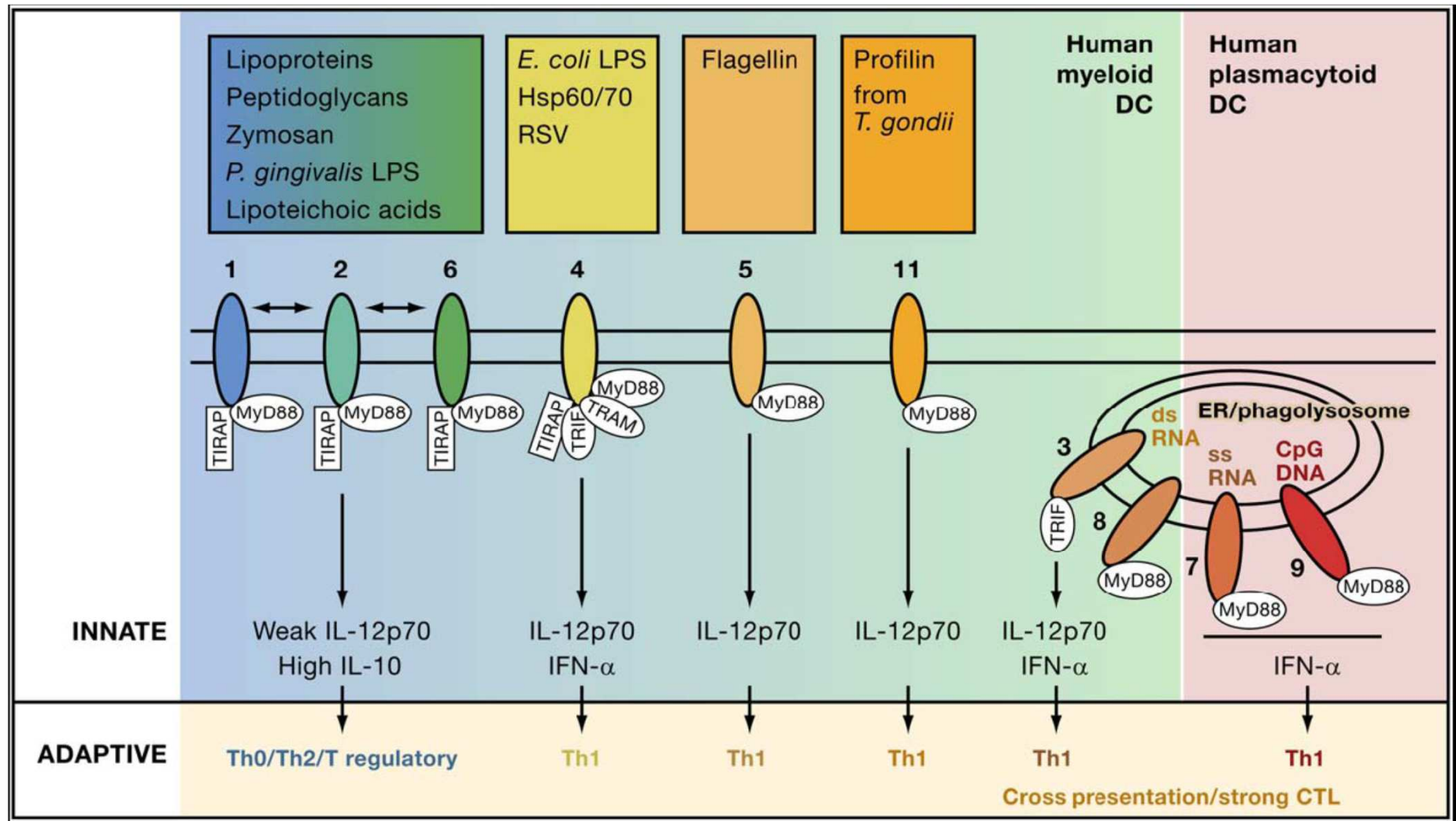




Pathogens direct the induction of Th cell subtypes via distinct effects on innate immune cells. (A) TLRs recognise bacterial and viral PAMPs and drive IL-12p70 production by DCs. IFN-γ from innate immune cells such as NK cells augments the production of IL-12p70. (B) CLRs such as mannose receptor have been shown to recognise helminth-derived products such as the SEA Omega-1 glycoprotein which activates DCs to drive Th2 cell induction. In some systems Th2 cell induction is independent of IL-4, whereas in others cells such as TSLP-dependent basophils are required for optimal Th2 cell differentiation. (C) The CLR Dectin-1 recognises β glucans from several fungal species and initiates cytokine production by DCs which drives Th17 cell differentiation. The key differentiating factors for Th17 cell induction from naive T cells are IL-6, TGF-β, and IL-21, with IL-1 and IL-23 being required for activation and expansion of Th17 cells. (D) PAMPs from bacteria such as *Bordetella pertussis* bind to CD11b/CD18 on DCs and stimulate IL-10 production, which in turn drives the induction of IL-10-producing Treg cells.



# TRIGGERING DISTINCT TLRs ON DCs ELICITS DIFFERENT CYTOKINE PROFILES AND DIFFERENT IMMUNE RESPONSES



# DENDRITIC CELL MATURATION

The control point of cellular immunity

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**Microbial Products/Adjuvants:**

TLR, NOD and lectin ligands

LPS, DNA, RNA

**Tissue damage:**

Uric acid, HSPs

**Cells of innate immunity**

pDC, NK, NK T,

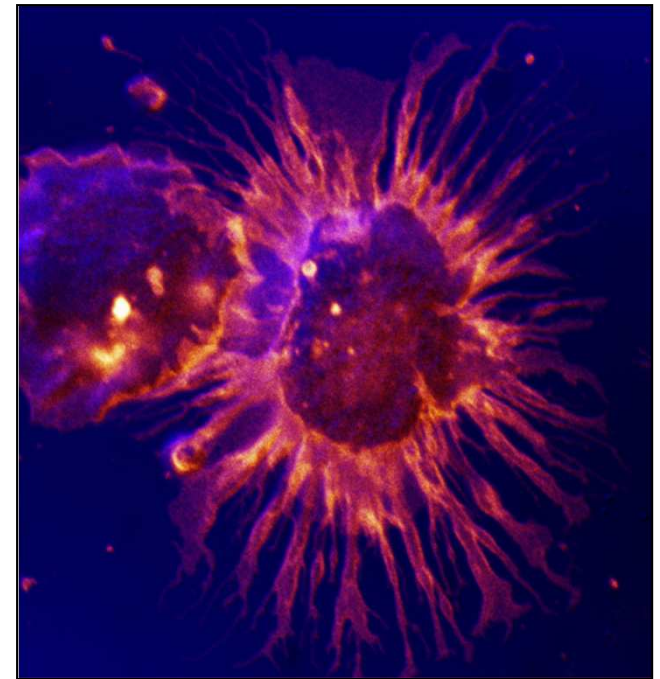
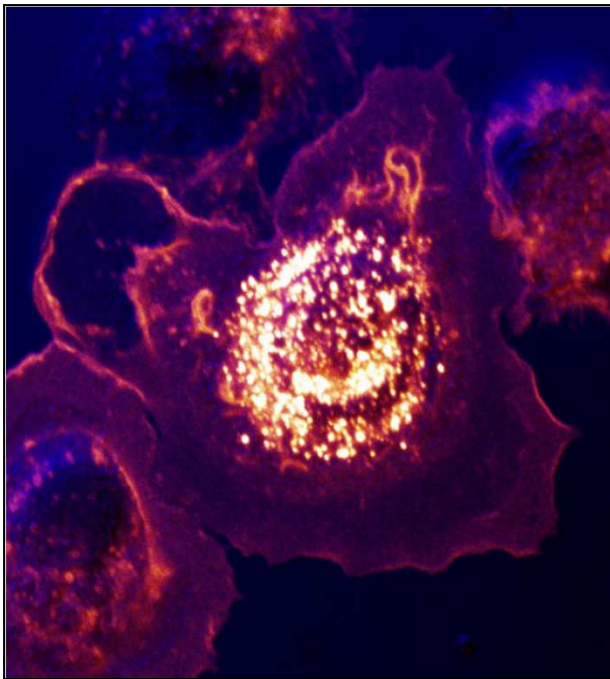
Neutrophils

IFN, TNF, GM-CSF

**Cells of adaptive immunity**

T and B cells

CD40L, RANK



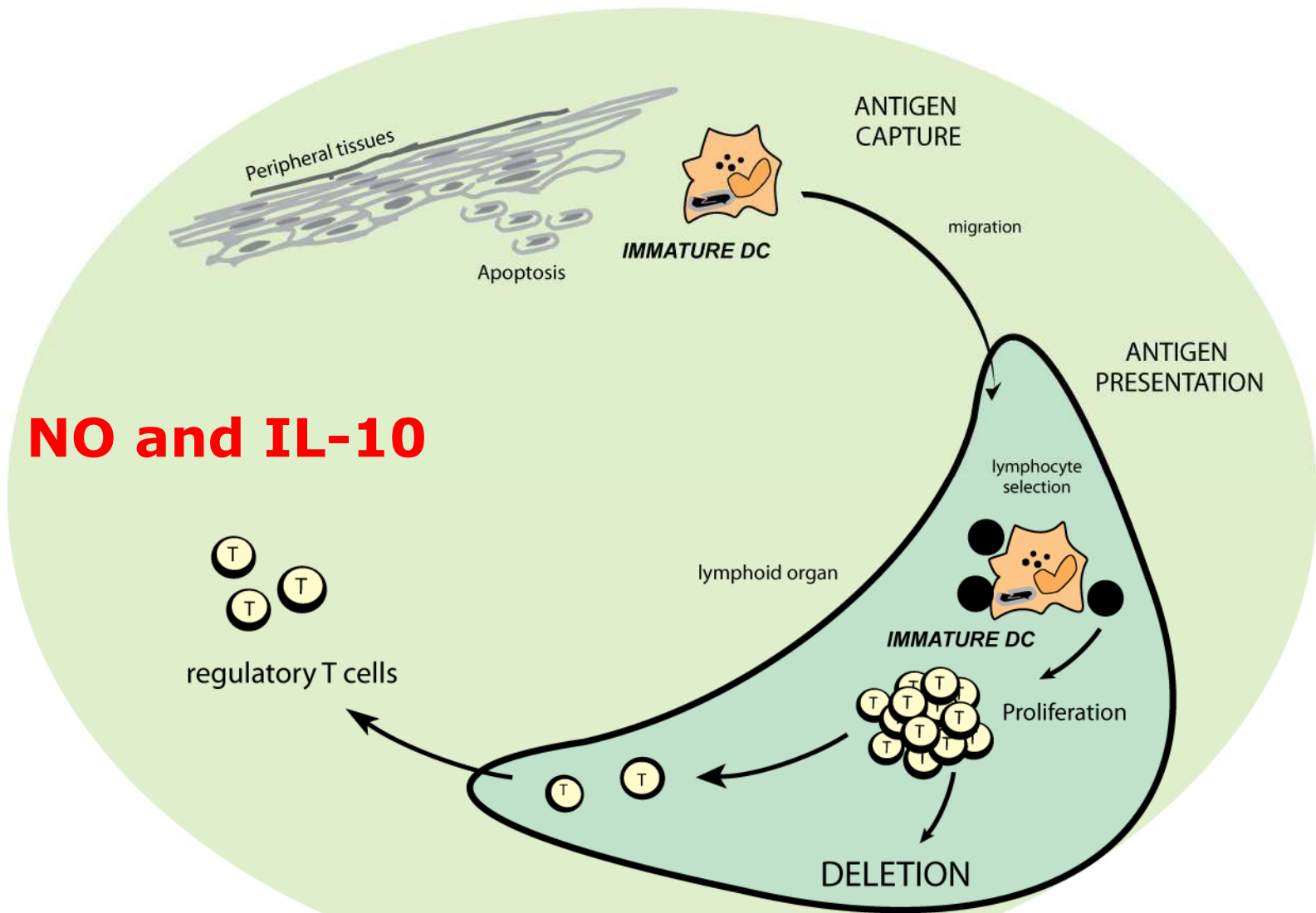
**Immature DC**



**Mature DC**

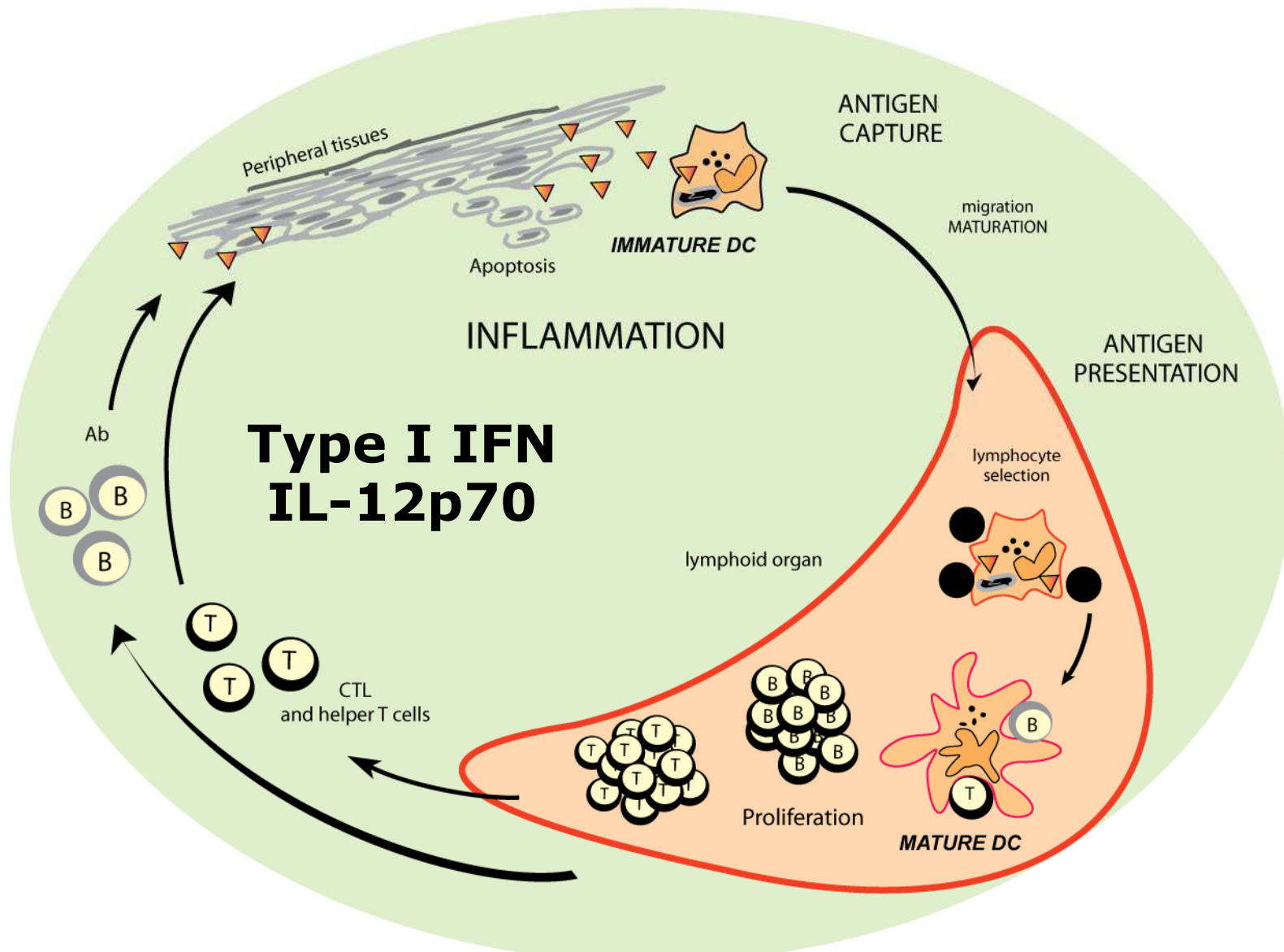
*Steinman & Mellman*

# IMMATURE DENDRITIC CELLS ALLOW PERIPHERAL TOLERANCE



*Cao, Gabrilovich, Mellman, Zahner, Thomson*

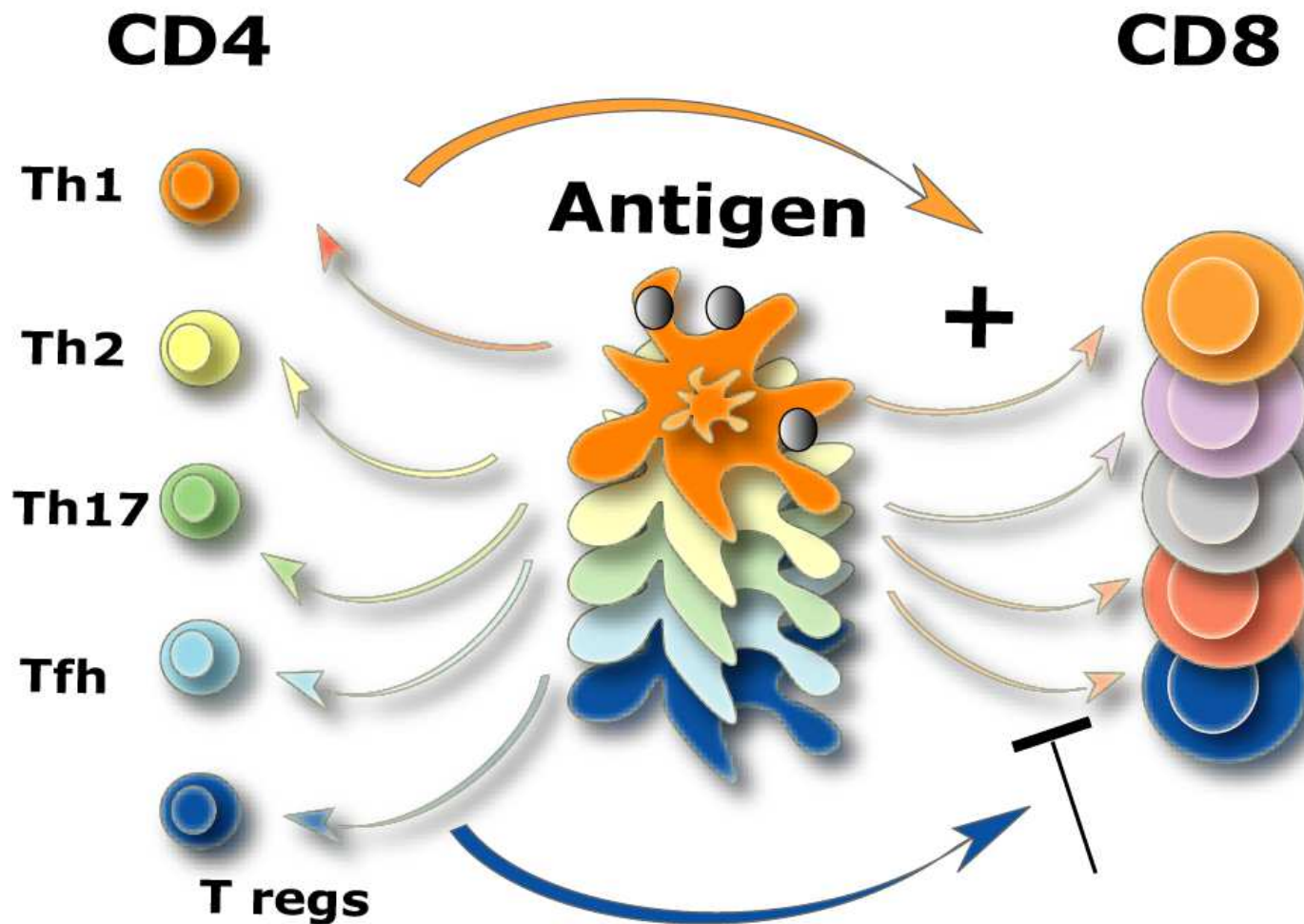
# MATURE DENDRITIC CELLS ALLOW IMMUNITY



*Steinman, Lanzavecchia, Kalinski, Mescher and many others*







# The complexity of eliciting immune response: Which antigens, which dendritic cells, which immune responses?

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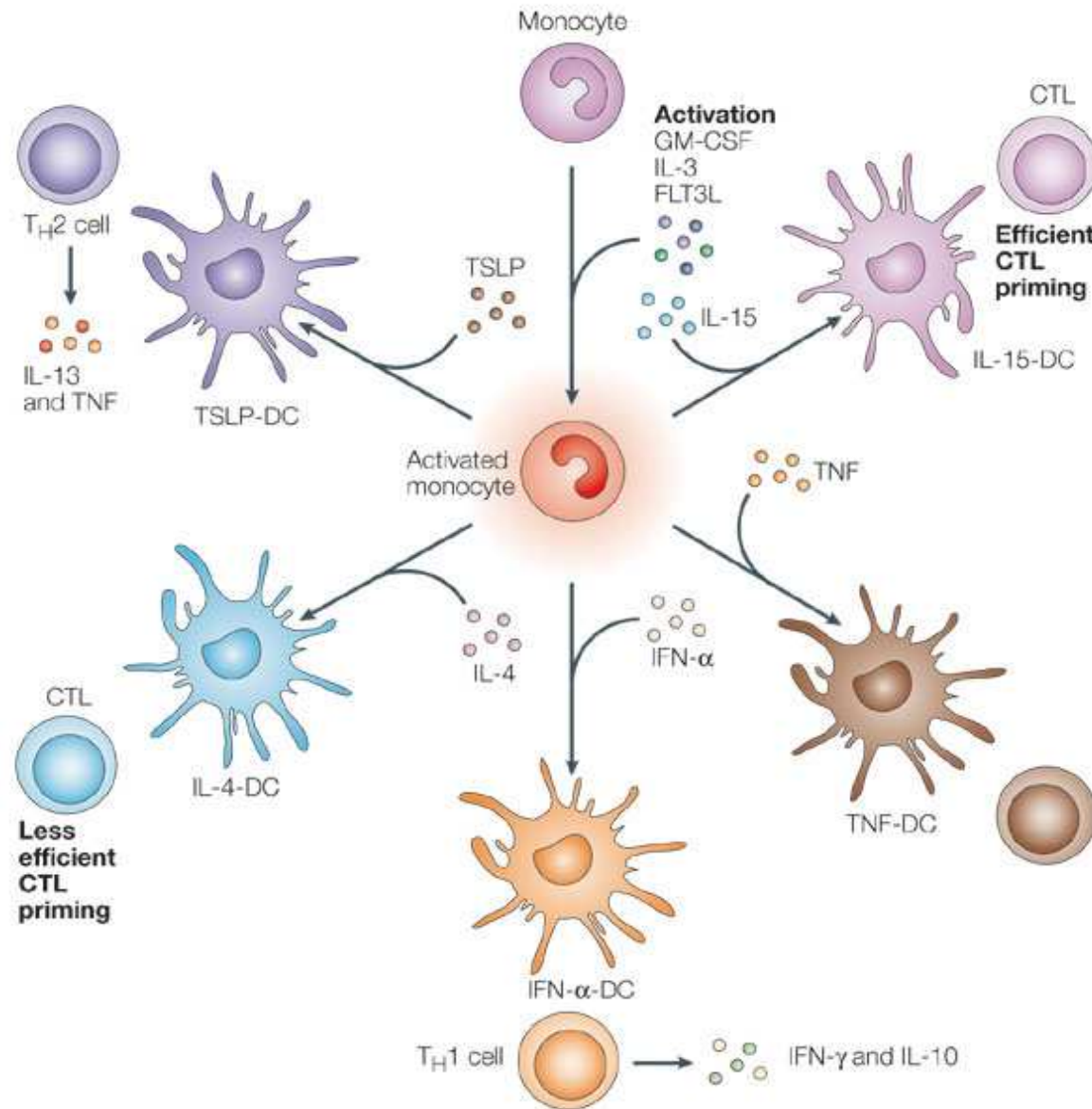




# The Human DC Compartment

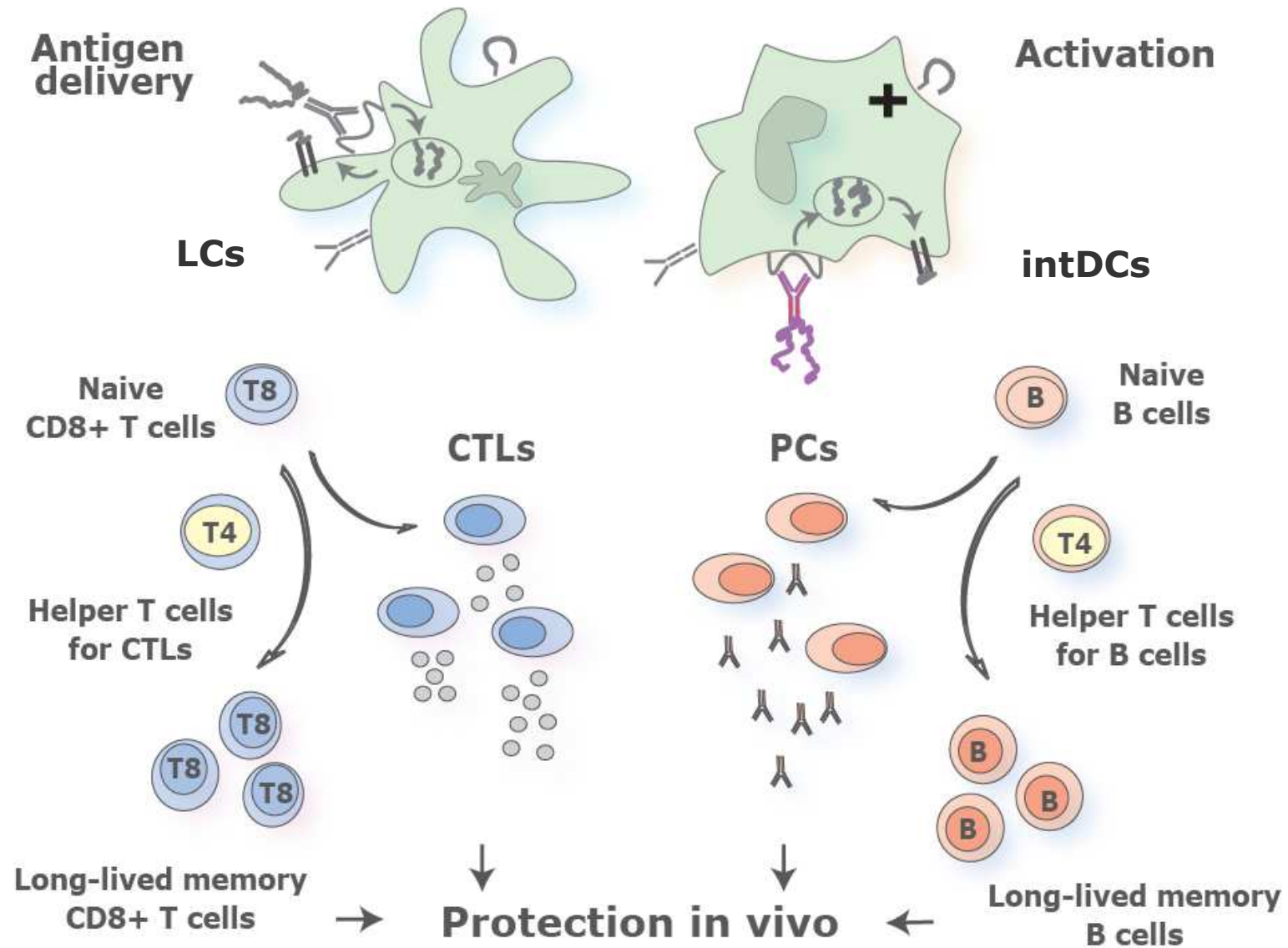
|                           | pDC  | BDCA1 <sup>+</sup><br>(CD1c) <sup>+</sup>  | BDCA3 <sup>+</sup><br>(CD141) <sup>+</sup>   | LC  | CD14 <sup>+</sup>   | CD1a <sup>+</sup>   |
|---------------------------|--|--|--|---|---|---|
|                           |   |   |    |    |    |    |
| <b>Phenotype:</b>         | Lin <sup>-</sup><br>HLA-DR <sup>+</sup><br>CD11c <sup>low</sup><br>CD1a <sup>-</sup><br>CD123 <sup>hi</sup><br>BDCA2 <sup>+</sup><br>BDCA4 <sup>+</sup>                | Lin <sup>-</sup><br>HLA-DR <sup>+</sup><br>CD11c <sup>+</sup><br>CD1a <sup>-</sup><br>BDCA1 <sup>+</sup><br>BDCA3 <sup>+/-</sup><br>CD11b <sup>low</sup> | Lin <sup>-</sup><br>HLA-DR <sup>+</sup><br>CD11c <sup>+</sup><br>CD1a <sup>-</sup><br>BDCA1 <sup>-</sup><br>BDCA3 <sup>+</sup><br>CD11b <sup>low</sup><br>CD141 <sup>+</sup><br>Necl2 <sup>+</sup><br>Xcr1 <sup>+</sup><br>Clec9a <sup>+</sup><br>Dec205 <sup>hi</sup> | Lin <sup>-</sup><br>HLA-DR <sup>+</sup><br>CD11c <sup>+</sup><br>CD1a <sup>+</sup><br>CD14 <sup>-</sup><br>BDCA1 <sup>+</sup><br>Langerin <sup>+</sup><br>EpCAM <sup>+</sup><br>Sirpa <sup>+</sup><br>CD11b <sup>+/-</sup><br>E-cadherin <sup>+</sup> | Lin <sup>-</sup><br>HLA-DR <sup>+</sup><br>CD11c <sup>+</sup><br>CD1a <sup>-</sup><br>CD14 <sup>+</sup><br>BDCA1 <sup>+</sup><br>Langerin <sup>-</sup><br>EpCAM <sup>-</sup><br>DC-SIGN <sup>+</sup><br>FXIIIa <sup>-</sup><br>CD163 <sup>-</sup> | Lin <sup>-</sup><br>HLA-DR <sup>+</sup><br>CD11c <sup>+</sup><br>CD1a <sup>+</sup><br>CD14 <sup>-</sup><br>BDCA1 <sup>+</sup><br>Langerin <sup>-</sup><br>EpCAM <sup>-</sup><br>Sirpa <sup>+</sup><br>CD11b <sup>hi</sup> |
| <b>PRRs:</b>              | TLR1 <sup>+</sup> , TLR2 <sup>-</sup> ,<br>TLR3 <sup>-</sup> , TLR4 <sup>-</sup> ,<br>TLR6 <sup>+</sup> , TLR7 <sup>+</sup> ,<br>TLR8 <sup>-</sup> , TLR9 <sup>+</sup> | ND   | TLR1 <sup>+</sup> , TLR2 <sup>+</sup> ,<br>TLR3 <sup>+</sup> , TLR4 <sup>-</sup> ,<br>TLR6 <sup>+</sup> , TLR7 <sup>-</sup> ,<br>TLR8 <sup>+</sup> , TLR9 <sup>-</sup>   | TLR1 <sup>+</sup> , TLR2 <sup>+</sup> ,<br>TLR3 <sup>lo</sup> , TLR4 <sup>-</sup> ,<br>TLR6 <sup>+</sup> , TLR7 <sup>-</sup> ,<br>TLR8 <sup>-</sup> , TLR9 <sup>-</sup>   | ND  | ND  |
| <b>Murine equivalent:</b> | pDC  | cDC  | CD8 <sup>+</sup> cDC   | LC  | ND  | Dermal DC   |
| <b>Location:</b>          | Blood and lymphoid tissue  |  |  | Cutaneous tissue  |   |   |
|                           |  |  |  | Epidermis   | Dermis  |   |

# Multiple monocyte-derived DCs

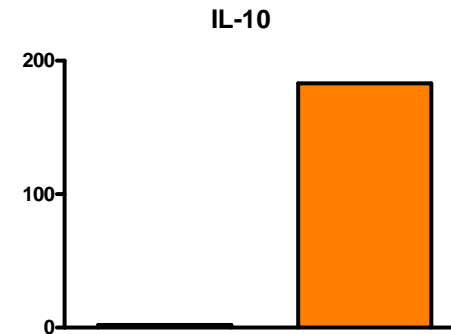
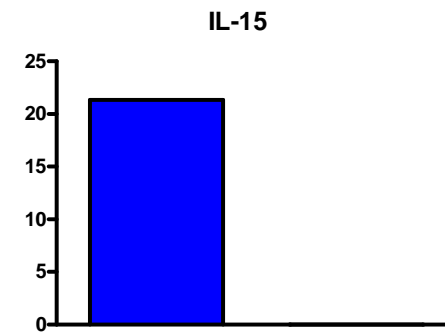
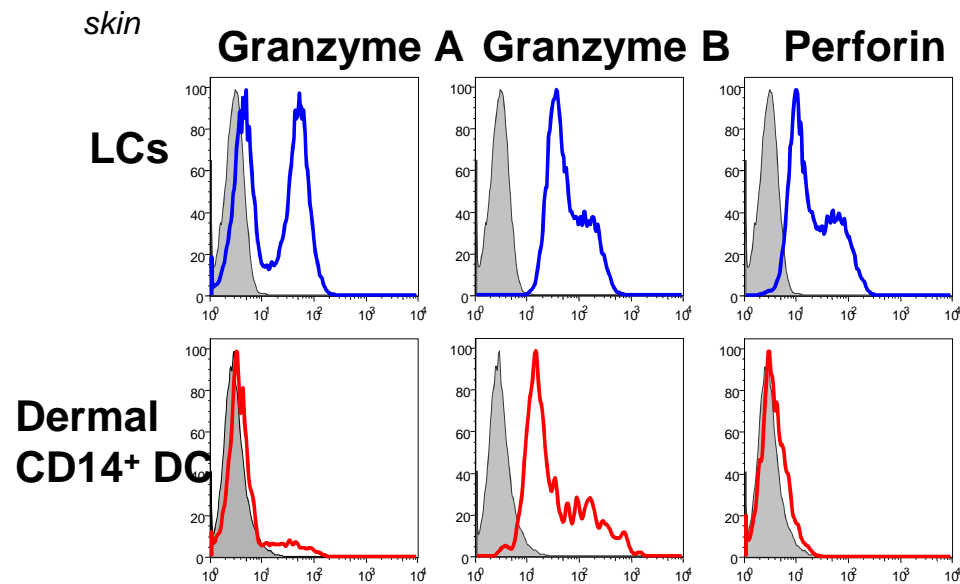




# **LANGERHANS CELLS PREFERENTIALLY CONTROL CELLULAR IMMUNITY** **DERMAL DC PREFERENTIALLY CONTROL HUMORAL IMMUNITY**



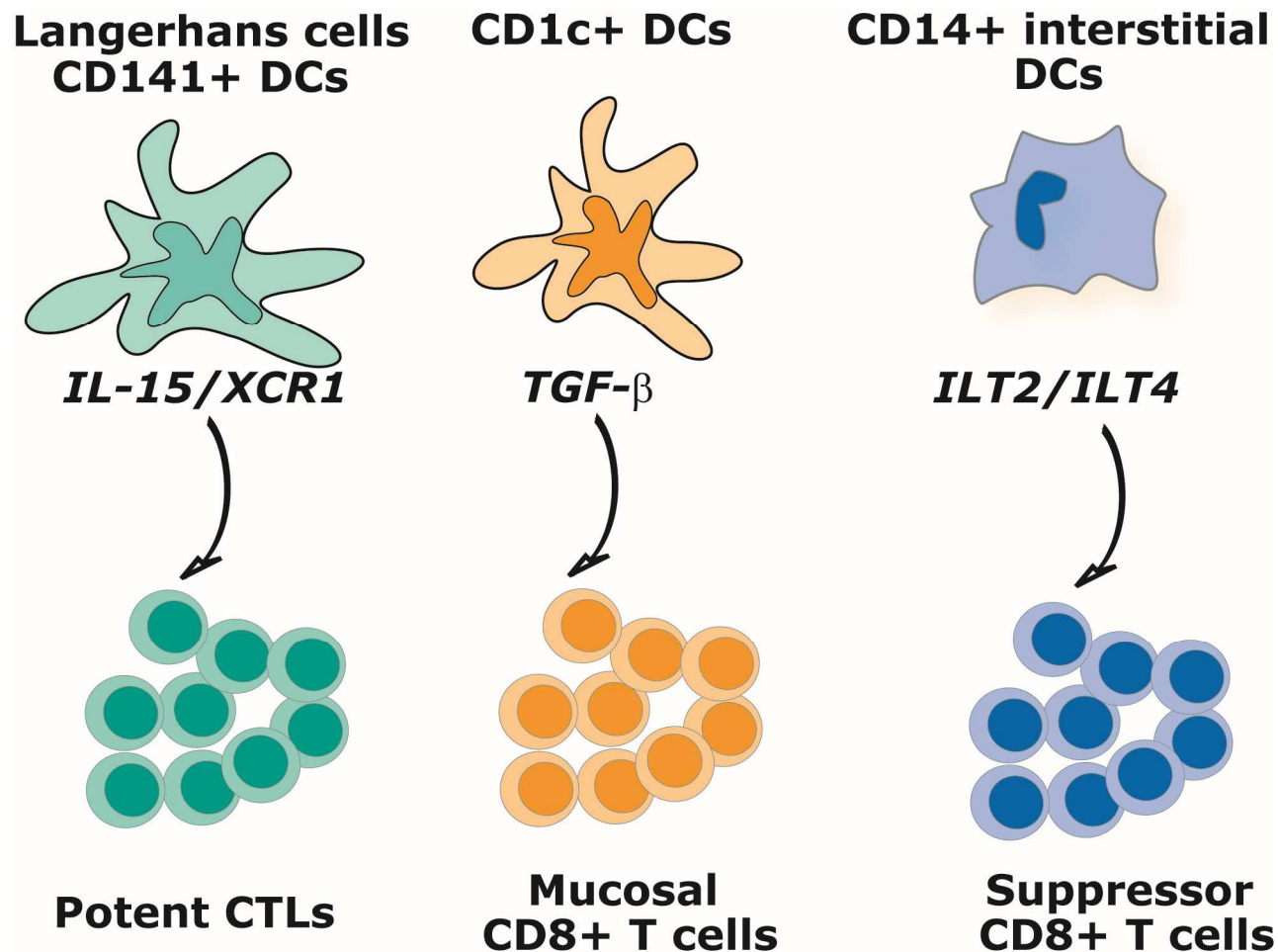
# LCs efficiently prime effector CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells



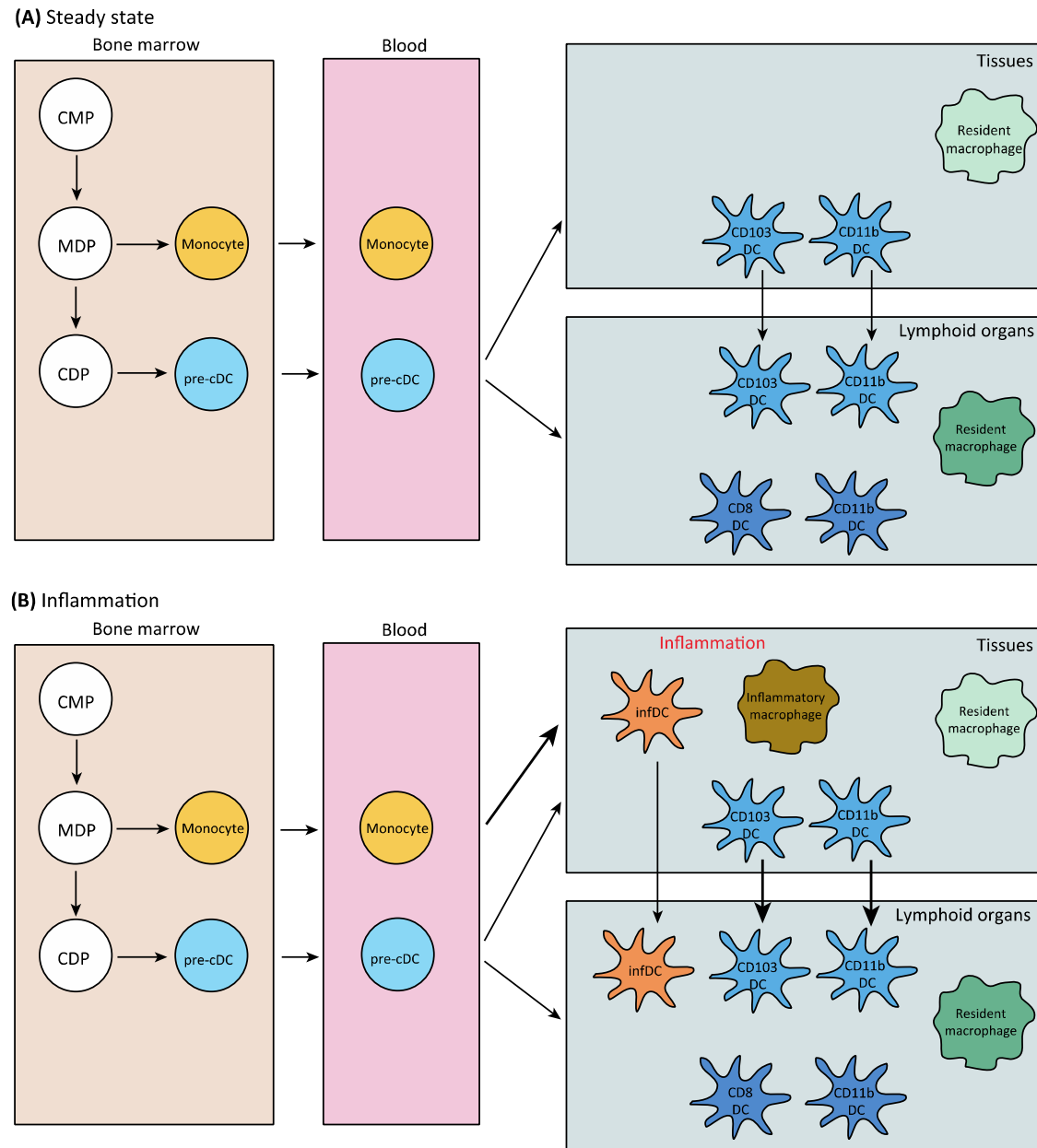
Klechevsky et al: Immunity, 2008  
Banchereau, Klechevsky: Blood, 2012

# Distinct DC subsets elicit CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells with distinct phenotypes

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# Human DCs in vivo



# Immunological goals of vaccination

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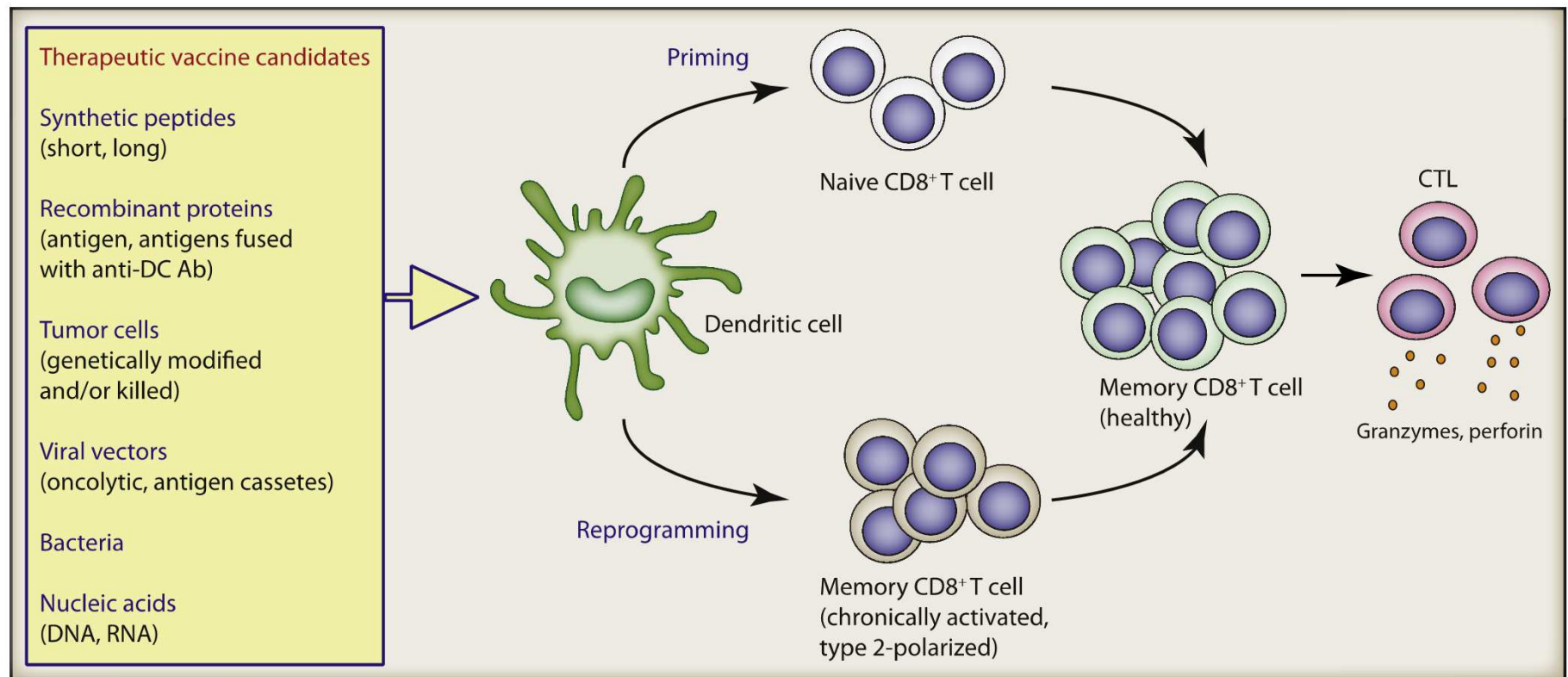
## Prophylactic Vaccines:

- Priming, i.e. generation of new immune response
  - Boosting immune memory

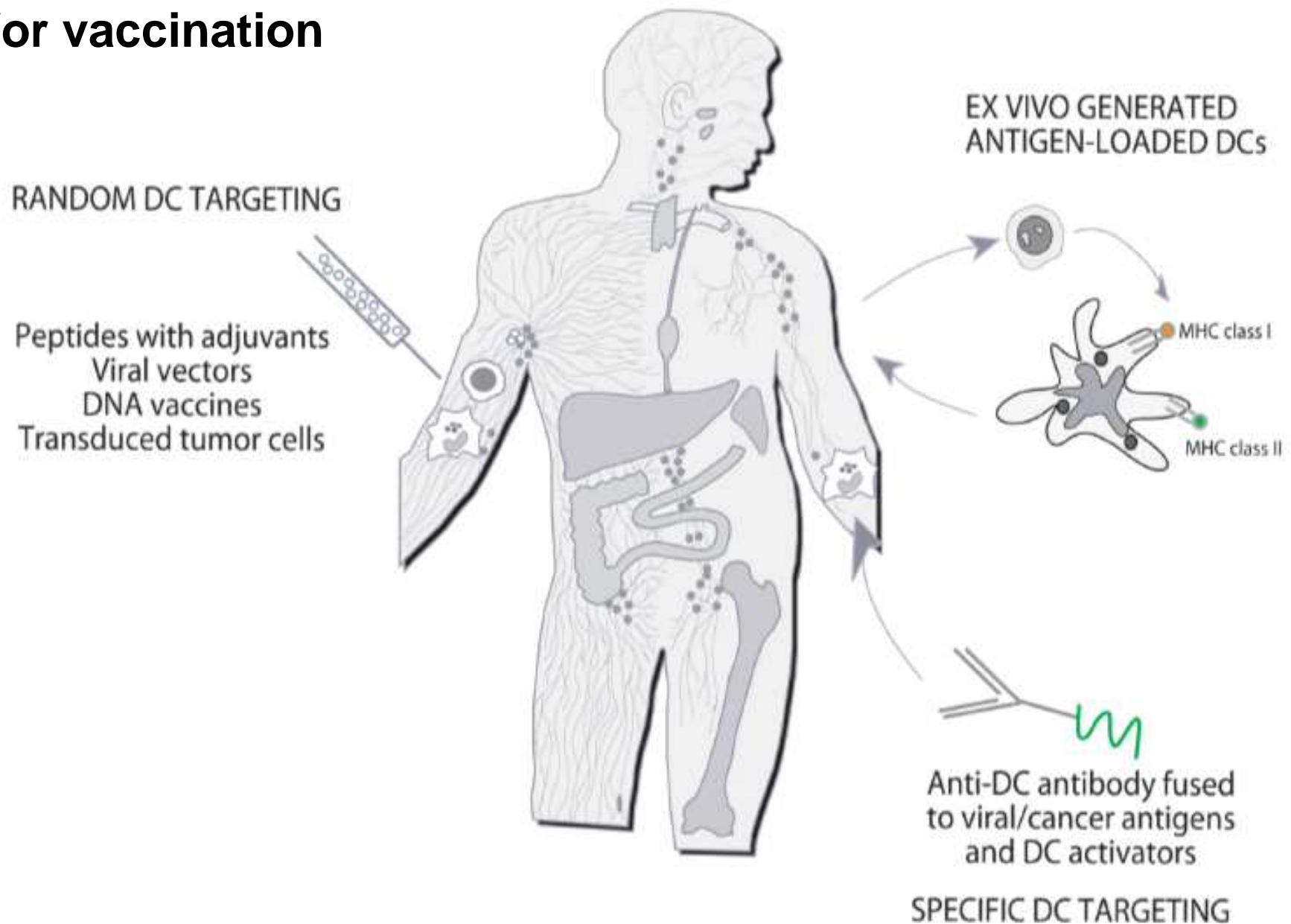
## Therapeutic Vaccines:

- Priming
- Re-programming pathogenic immune memory to protective one
- Generating CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells able to kill cancer

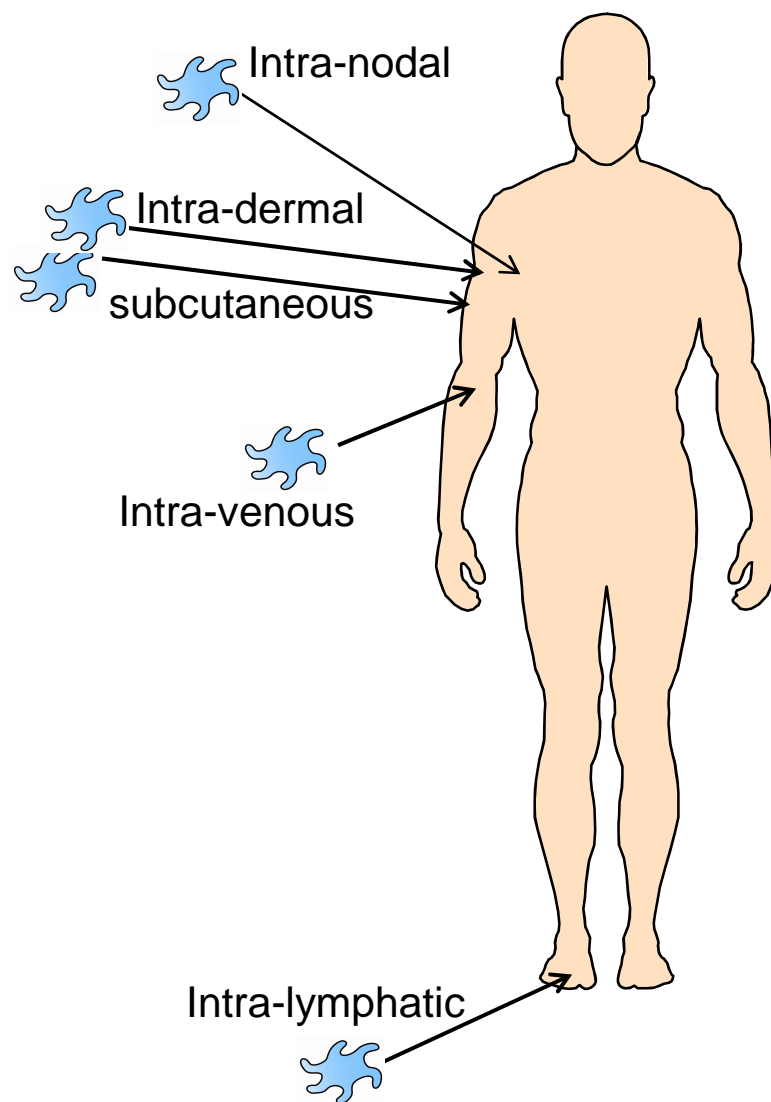
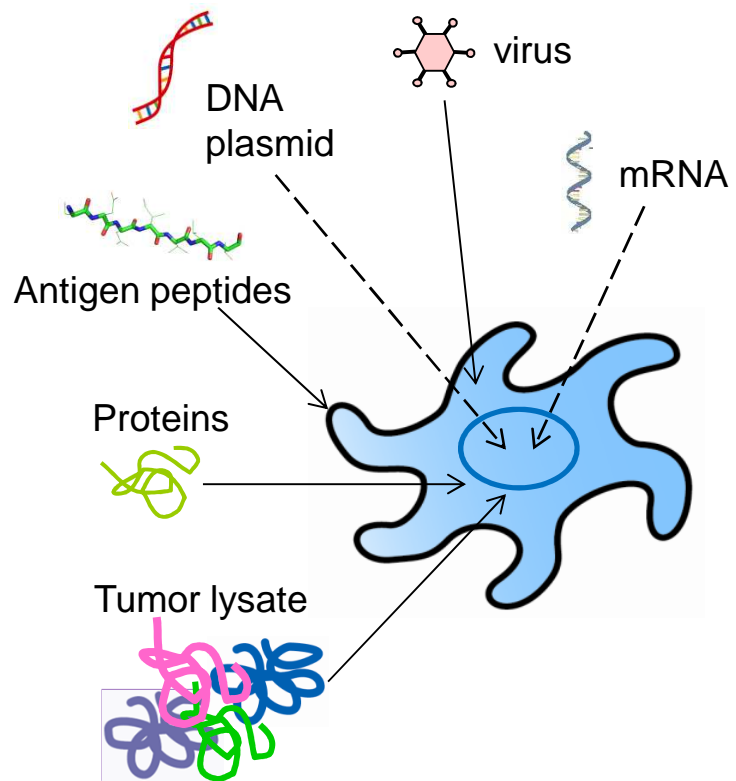
# Therapeutic cancer vaccines act via dendritic cells



# Dendritic cells as targets for vaccination







# Dendritic Cell Vaccines

**Successes:** >7% clinical response rate in late stage patients

**Failures:** <6% responses rate that was similar to chemotherapy in a randomized trial; other trials without significant clinical responses

## Current questions:

- **Dose** (10e5 minimum? 10e8 maximum feasible?)
- **Route** (i.d. > i.v.? i.n accuracy? i.lymphatic?)
- **Culture conditions** (can we do better than 6 days in GM+IL-4?)
- **Maturation conditions** (TLRs, cocktails...)
- **Antigen loading** (peptides, proteins, lysates, allo, autologous...)
- **Potency Assay** (IL-12p70? IL-12/10? Phenotype? Transcriptome?)

## **Cellular Product minimal safety, purity and identity tests.**

The following is an example of the specific release tests which are required by the FDA for early phase trials involving autologous, *in vitro* manipulated cellular products (in this example, DC). This example also shows the identity/purity testing chosen for this type of product, and the candidate potency test being performed.

Viability: The cells are counted by microscopic observation on a hemacytometer, and a differential count (DC vs. lymphocytes) is obtained using trypan blue dye. Minimum 70% viability.

Purity: The DC must express MHC class II and CD86 by flow cytometry in a minimum of 70% of the cells. Additional phenotyping (MHC class I, CD80, CD83, CCR7, others) is performed to fully characterize the DC, and is for research proposes.

Sterility: DC are tested by bacterial (aerobic and anaerobic) and fungal cultures at the Clinical Microbiology Laboratory. Final results of the microbial cultures are available in 14 days. Prior to release of the DC for vaccine use, a standard gram stain is performed and must be negative for the presence of microorganisms.

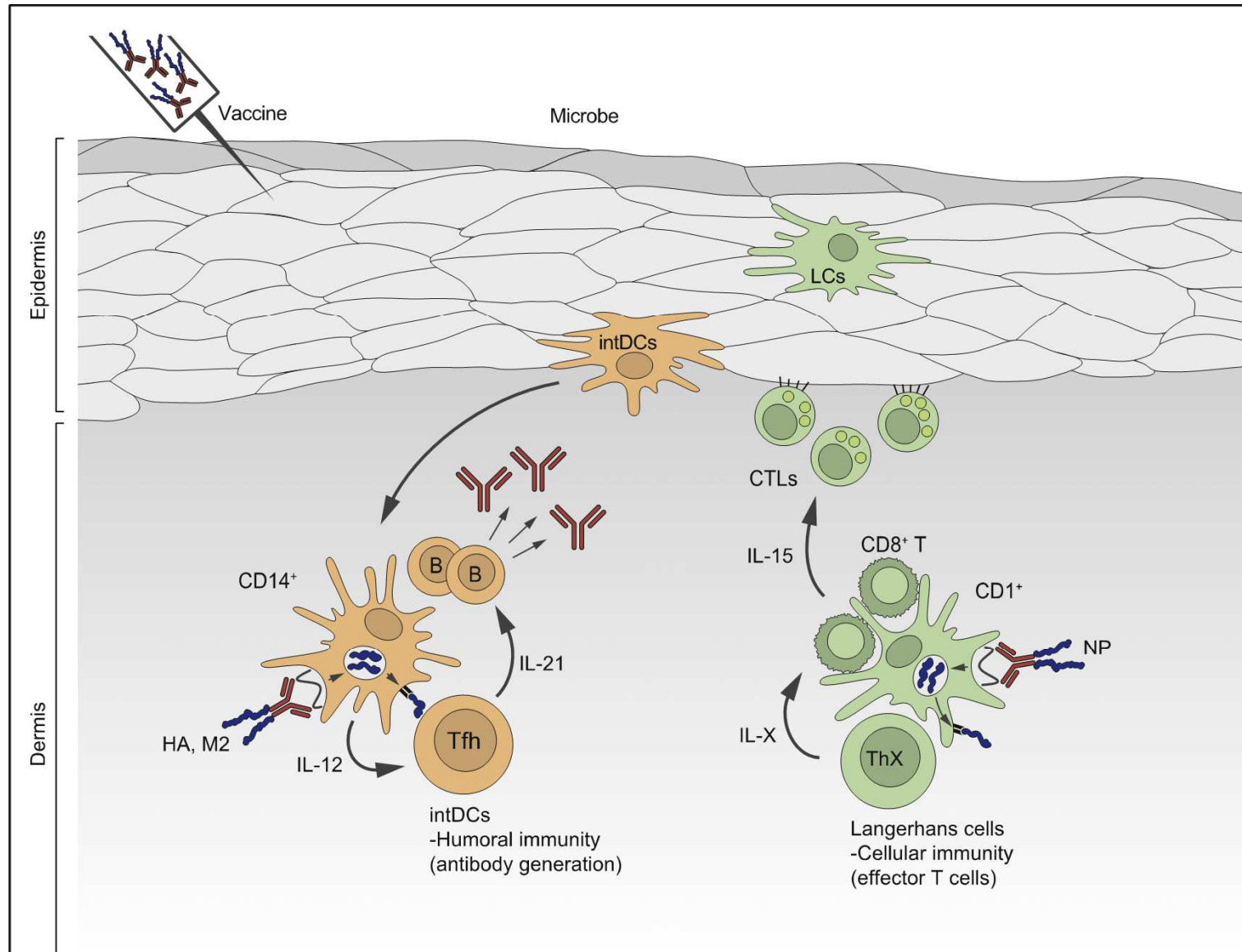
Mycoplasma testing of cell suspensions (not supernatants) is performed using a rapid detection system, based on nucleic acid hybridization or by PCR. The cell preparation must be negative for mycoplasma.

Endotoxin testing is performed on the cell culture at the time of harvest and prior to release of the final product. The acceptable endotoxin level is <5 EU/kg of body weight per dose. For intrathecally-administered cells, an upper limit of acceptance criterion is 0.2 EU/kg body weight/hour.

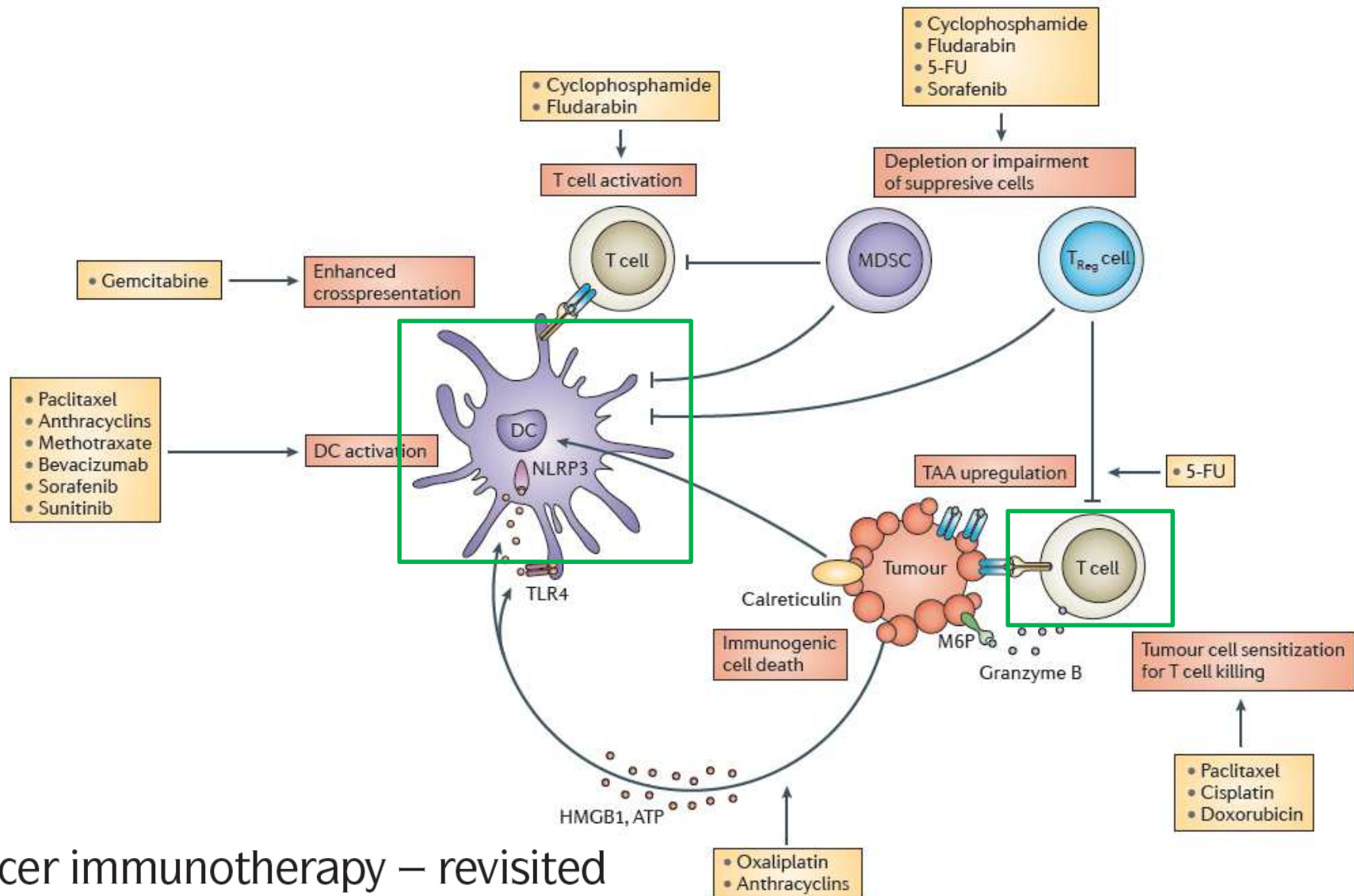
Potency: To define a measure of potency for the DC, we determine their ability to produce IL-12p70 and IL-10 by Luminex assay (25). This test is performed batched, with and without activation by CD40L and/or LPS, and is available several weeks after vaccine injection. Data will be correlated with measures of DC phenotype and biological activity such as antigen presentation and clinical outcome (88).

Additionally, a 0.5 ml sample of the final DC preparation from each vaccination time is cryopreserved for possible ancillary testing in the future. These samples are stored a minimum of one year after vaccine administration.

# Directing the immune response: Targeting antigens to specific DC subsets



# Chemotherapy and targeted therapy meet immunology: immuno-oncology



## Cancer immunotherapy – revisited

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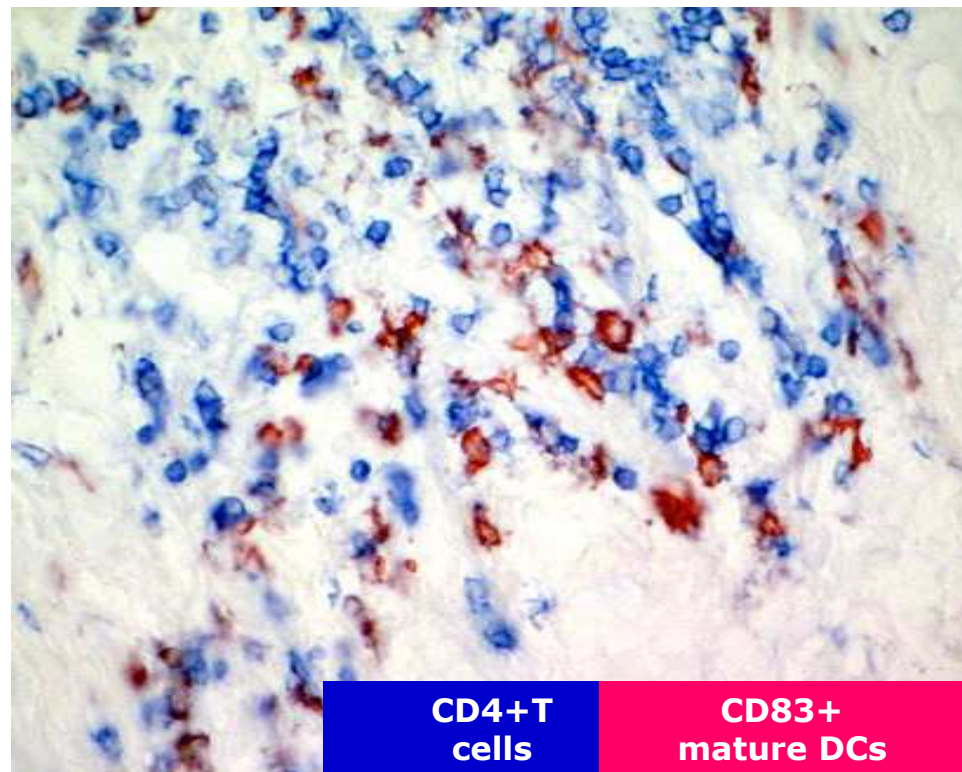
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## In Breast Carcinoma Tissue, Immature Dendritic Cells Reside within the Tumor, whereas Mature Dendritic Cells Are Located in Peritumoral Areas

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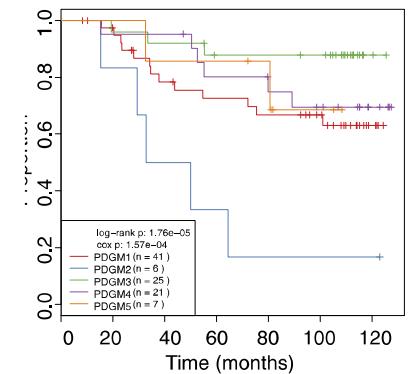
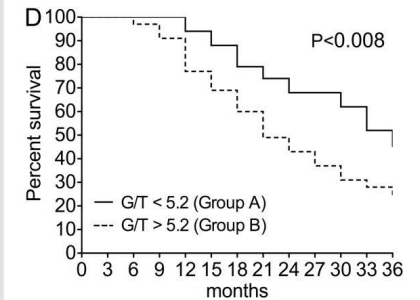
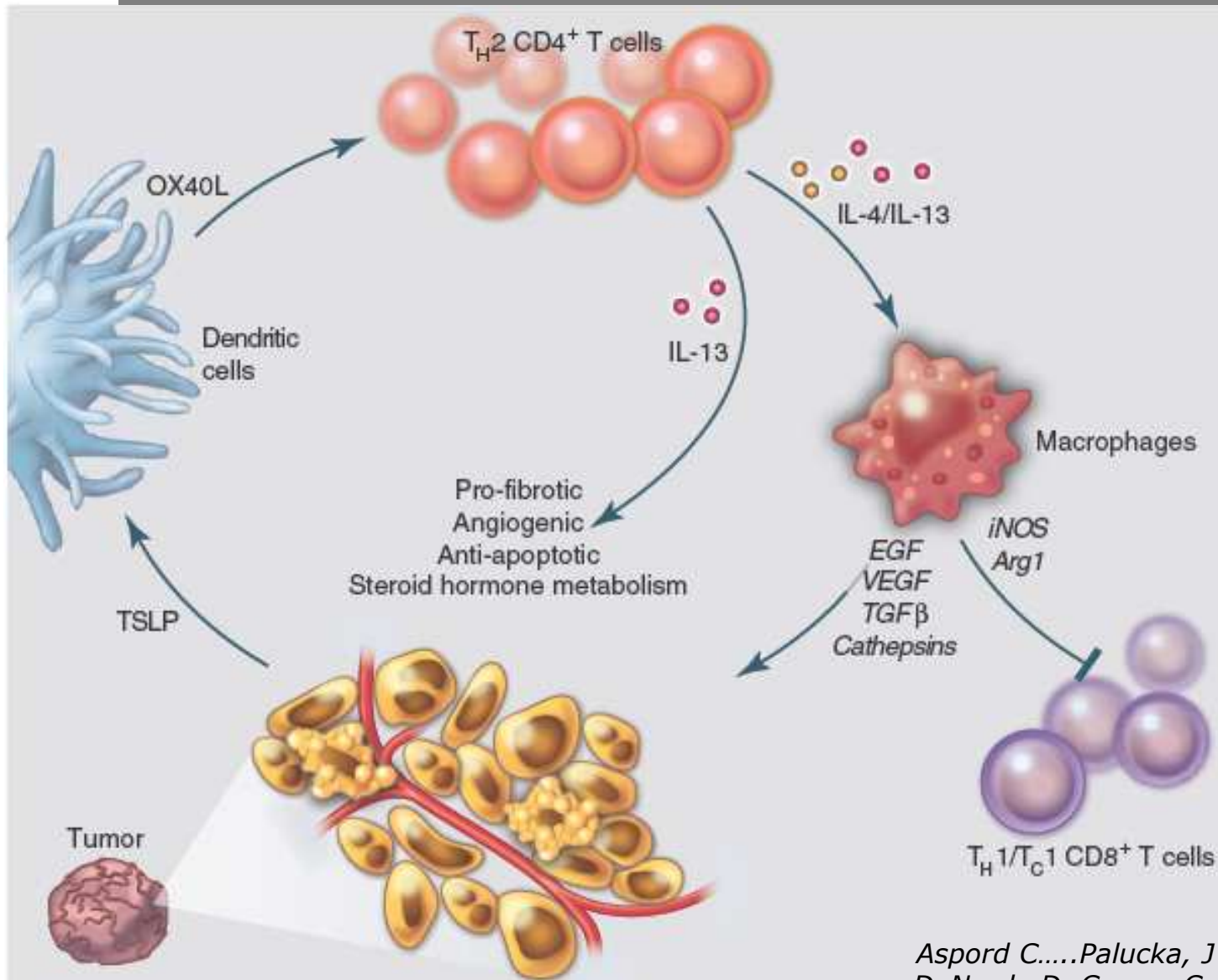
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# Pro-tumor Th2 inflammation in breast and pancreatic cancer



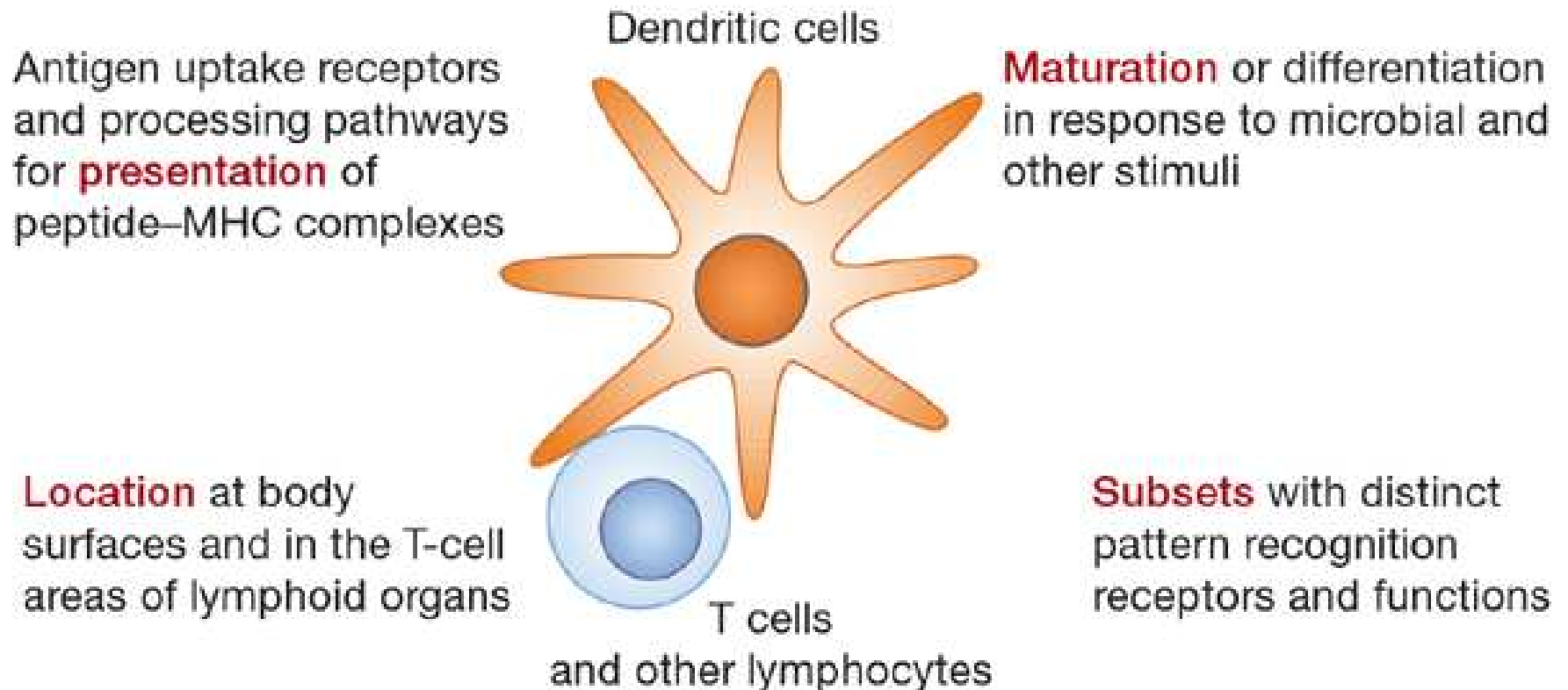
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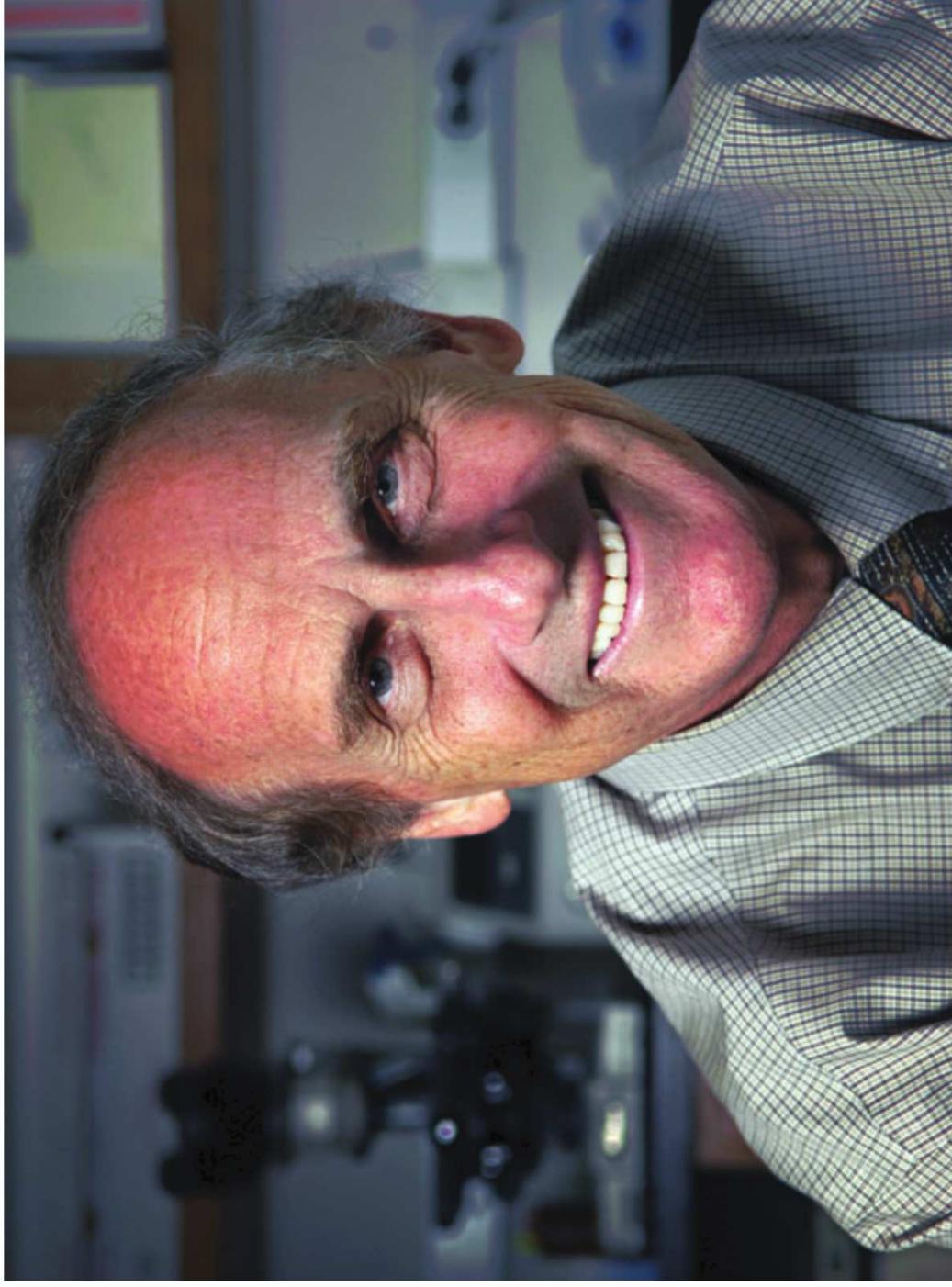
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