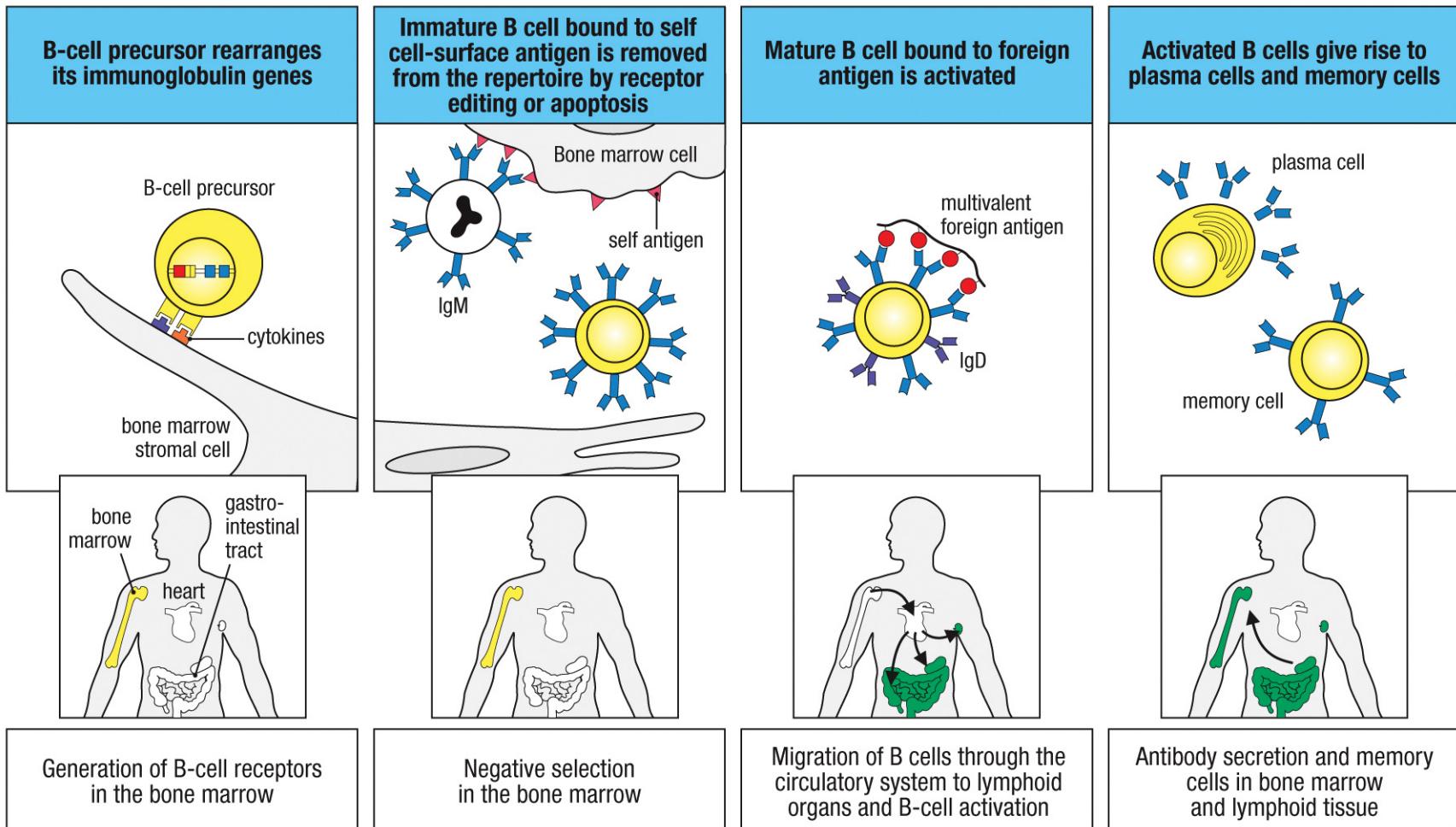
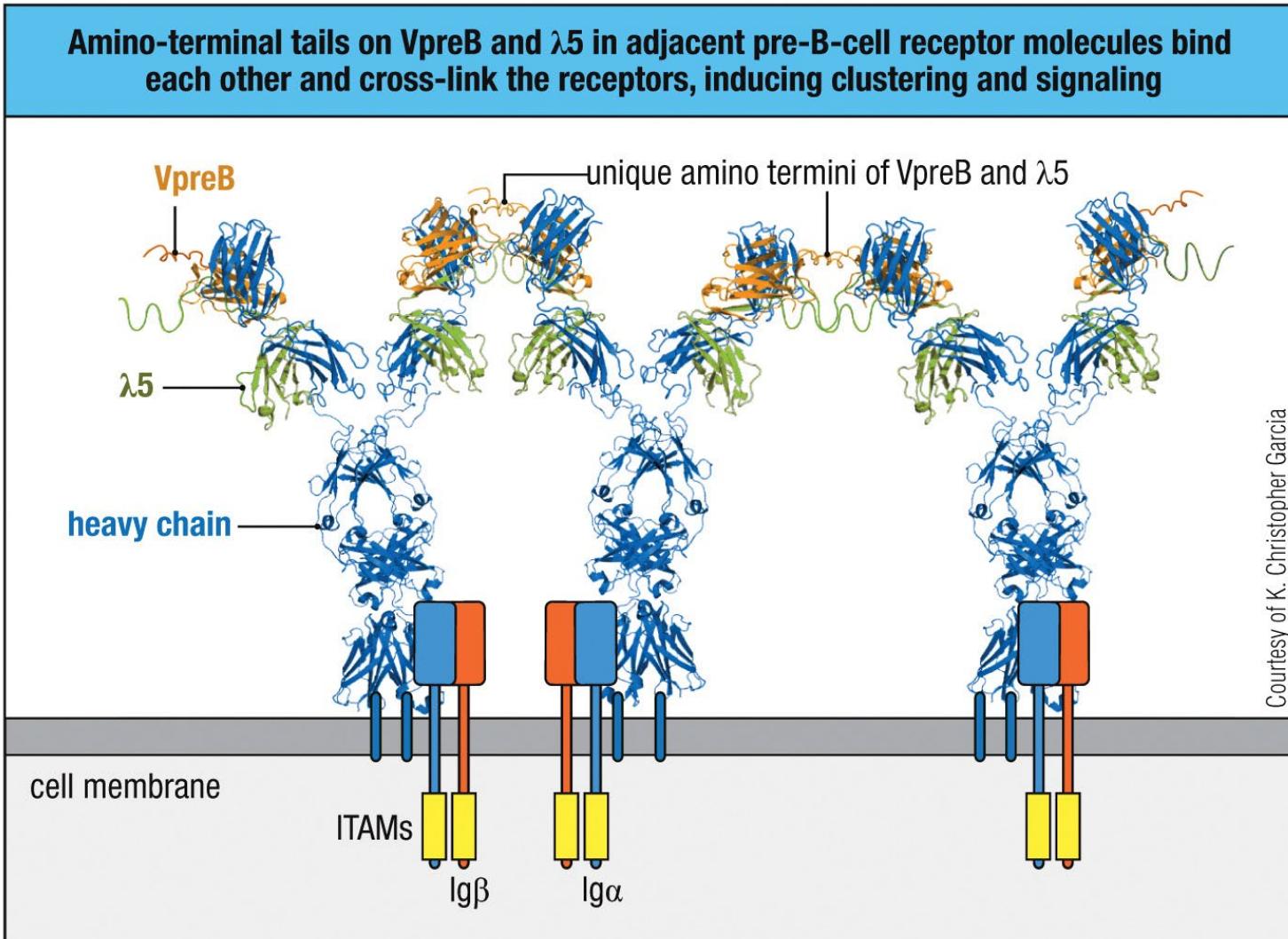


# Life-Cycle of B Cells: Bone Marrow to Lymphoid Tissues



# Pre-B-Cell Receptor

Amino-terminal tails on VpreB and  $\lambda 5$  in adjacent pre-B-cell receptor molecules bind each other and cross-link the receptors, inducing clustering and signaling

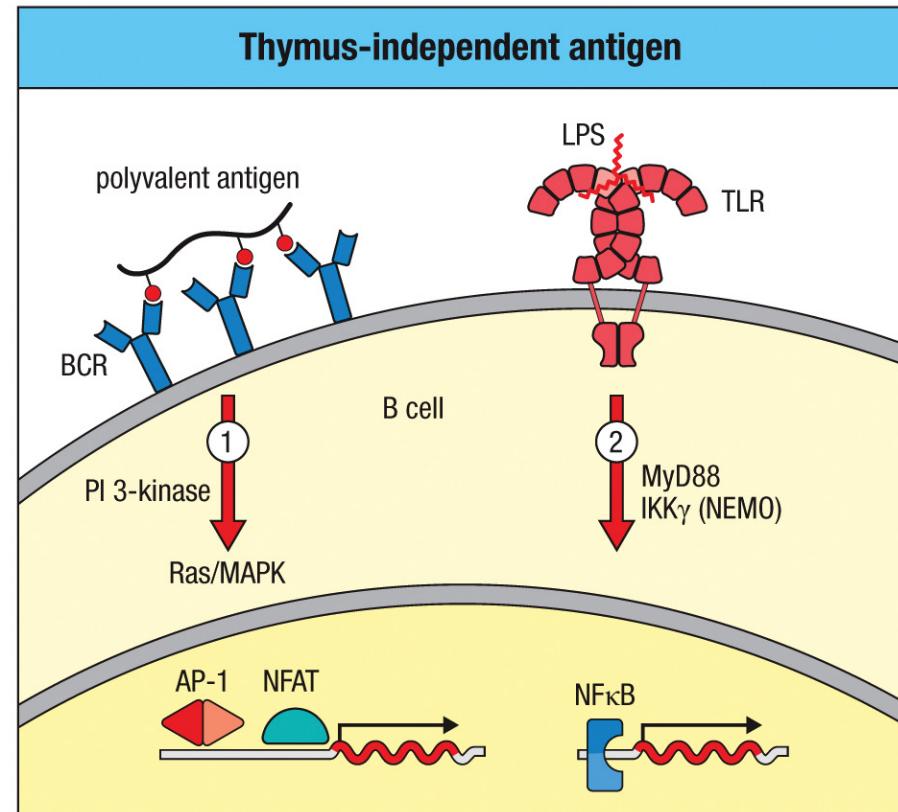
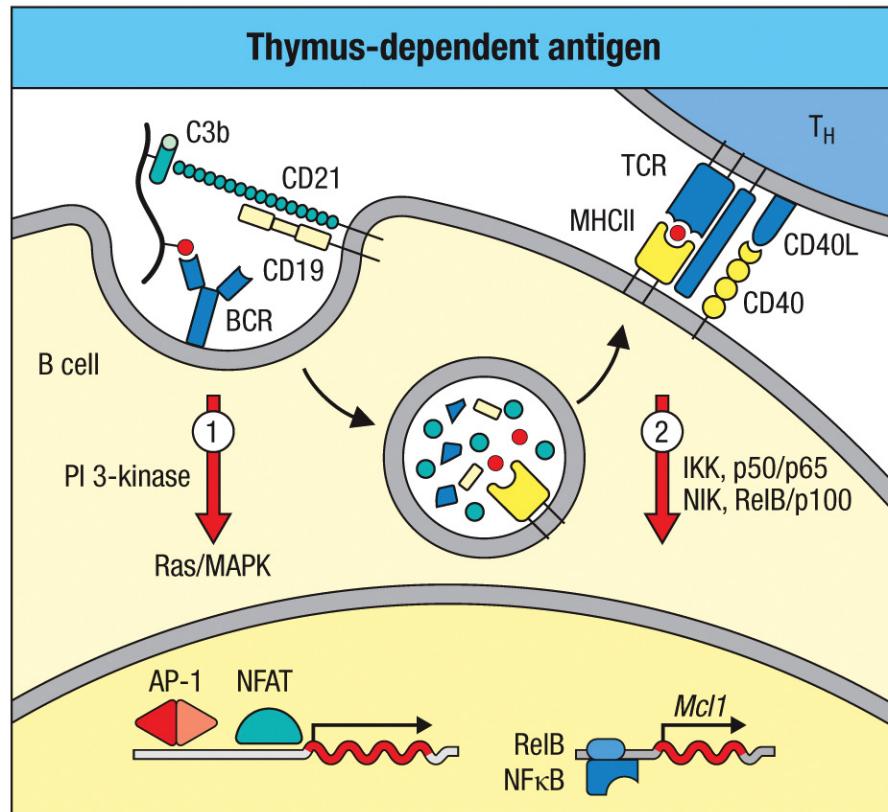


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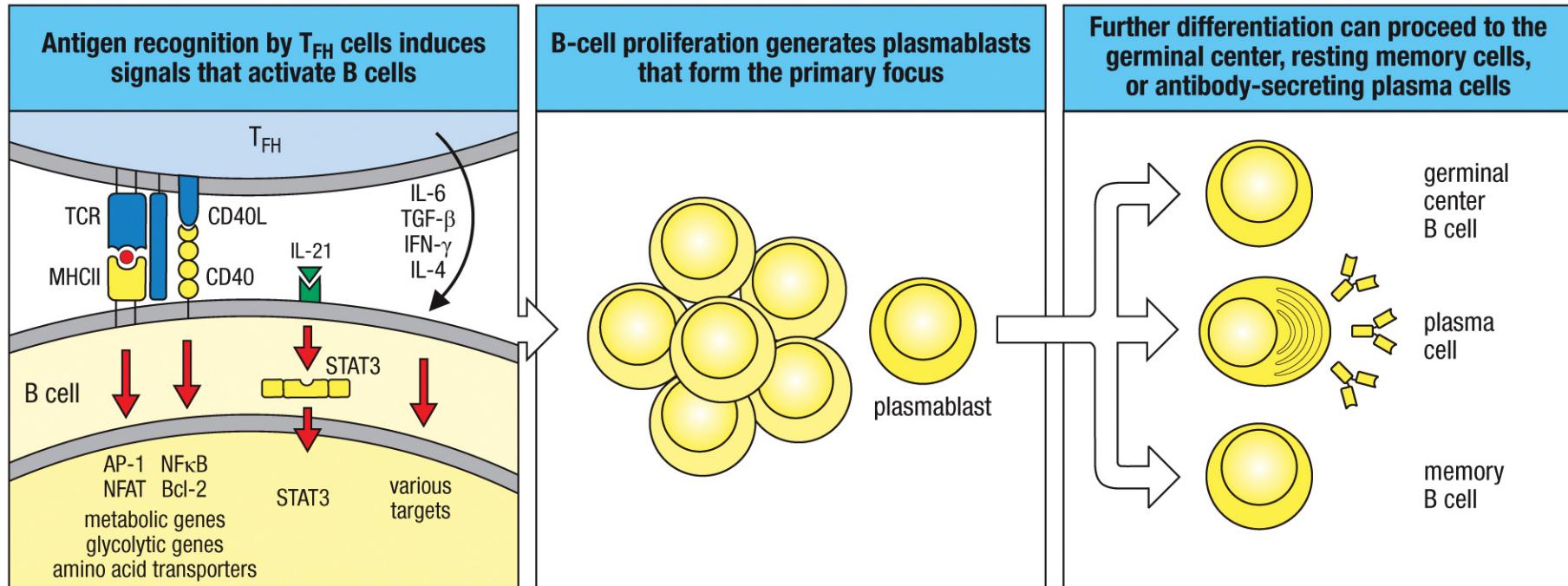
# Two Signals Are Required for B Cell Activation



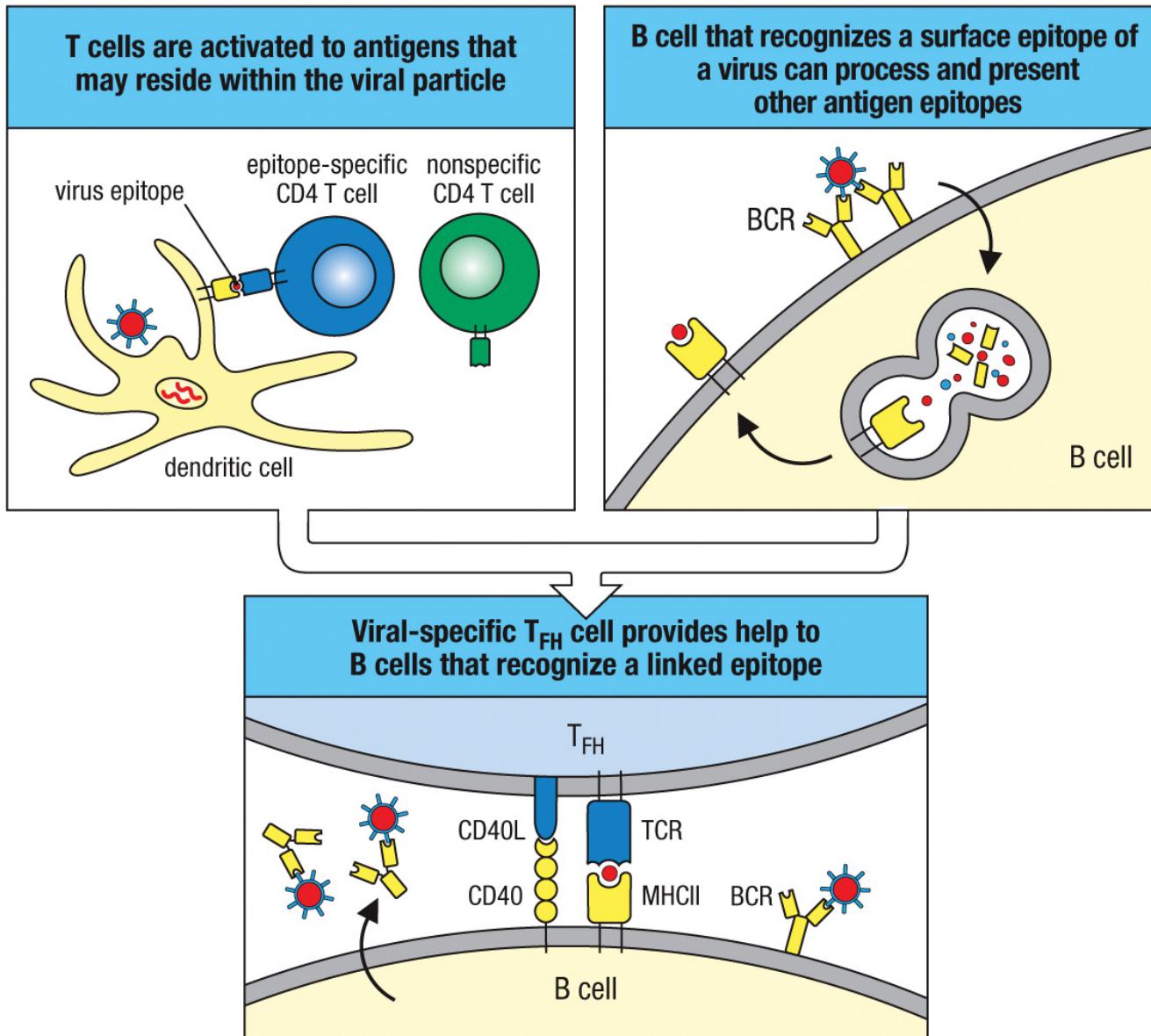
1. Crosslinking of the BCR
2. Signal from T helper Cells

1. Extensive cross linking of BCR (IgM)
2. Activation of TLR

# $T_H$ Cells Stimulate Proliferation Followed by Differentiation of B-Cells



# $T_H$ Cells and B-Cells Must Recognize Epitopes from the Same Pathogen to Interact



# Non-Protein Antigens Are Linked with A Protein in Vaccines to Stimulate an Immune Response

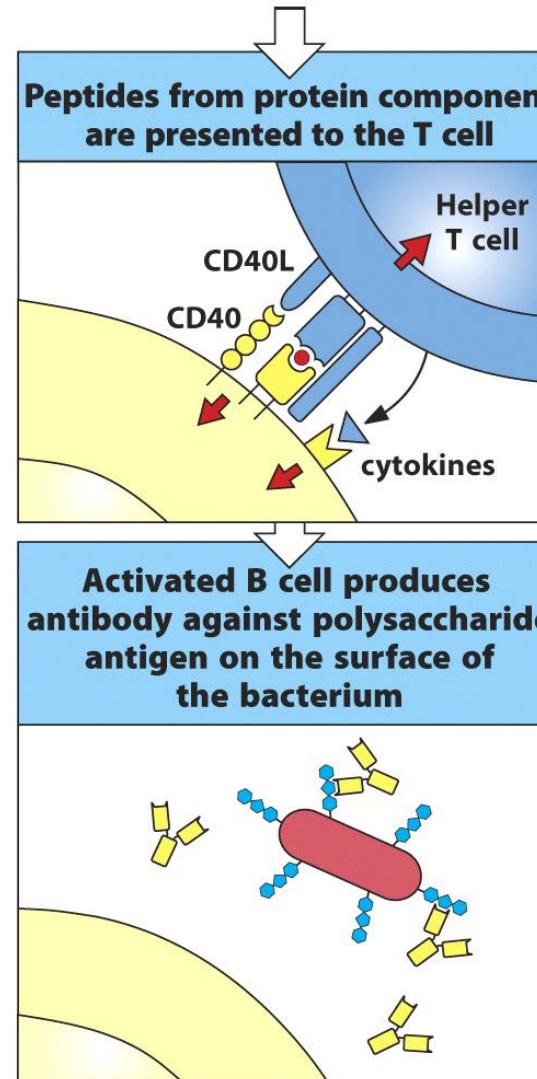
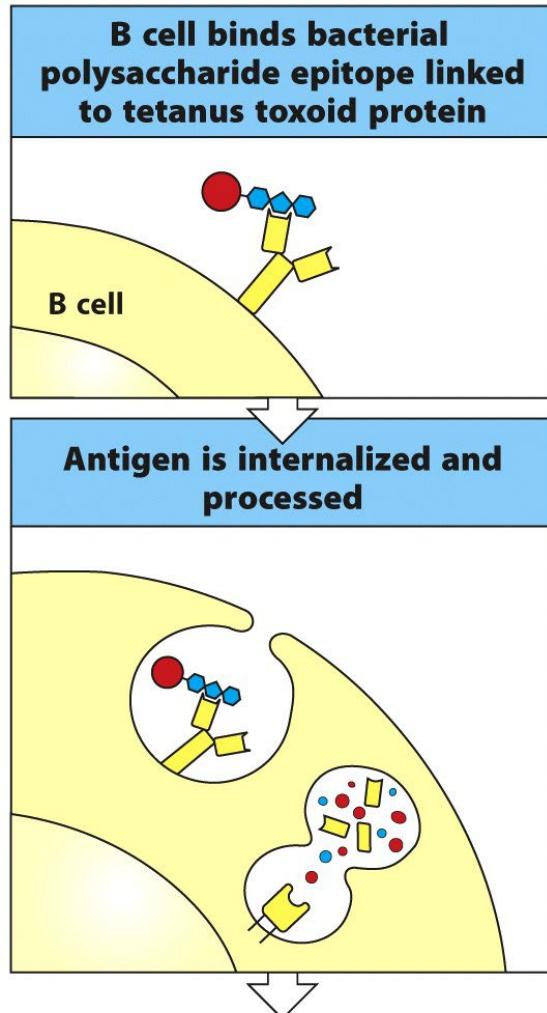
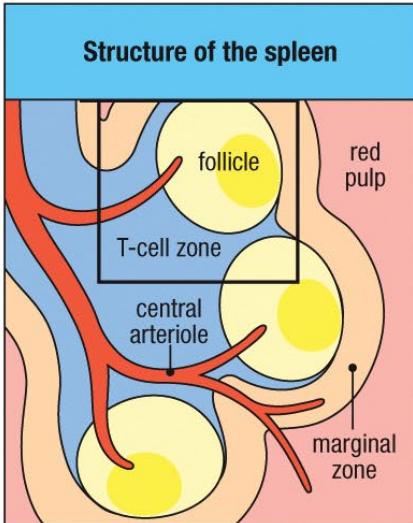


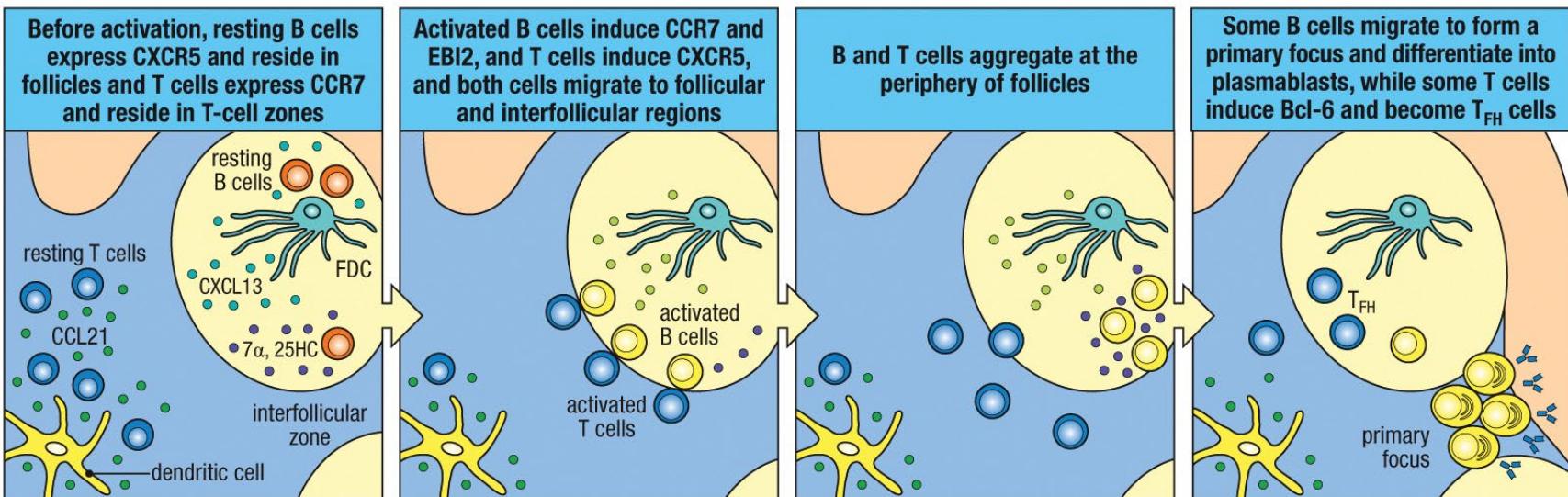
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# B Cells are Activated by T<sub>H</sub> Cells at the Boundary of the Follicle

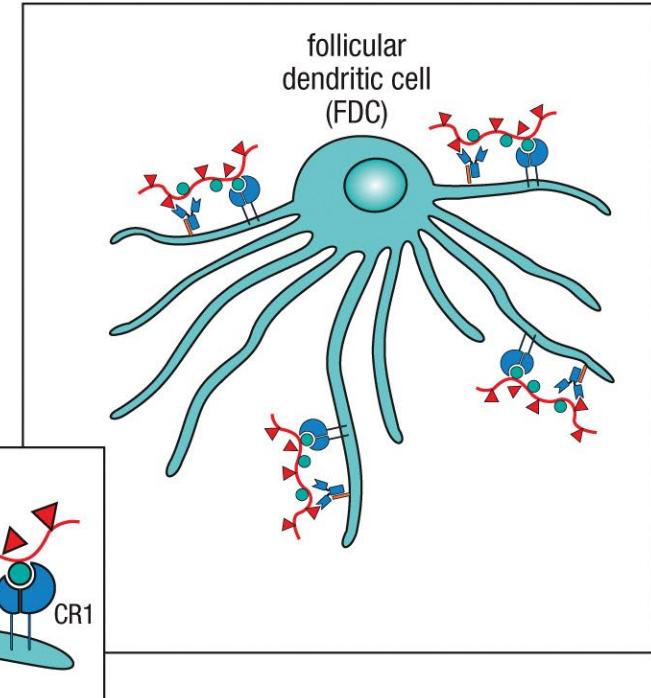
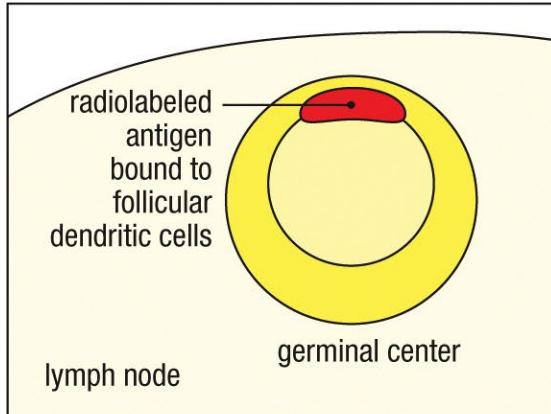
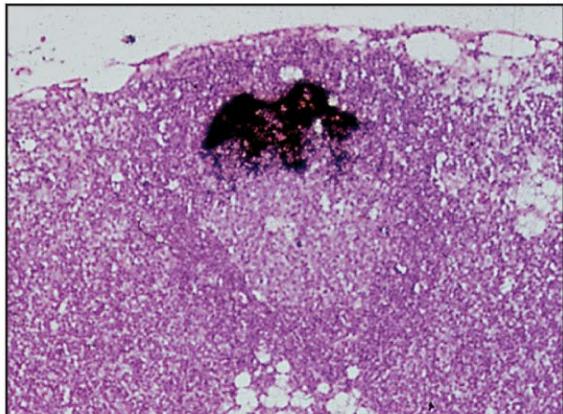


CXCL13—CXCR5 follicle homing  
7alpha, 25-HC ----- EBI2, outer follicle homing  
CCL21-----CCR7 T cell zone homing



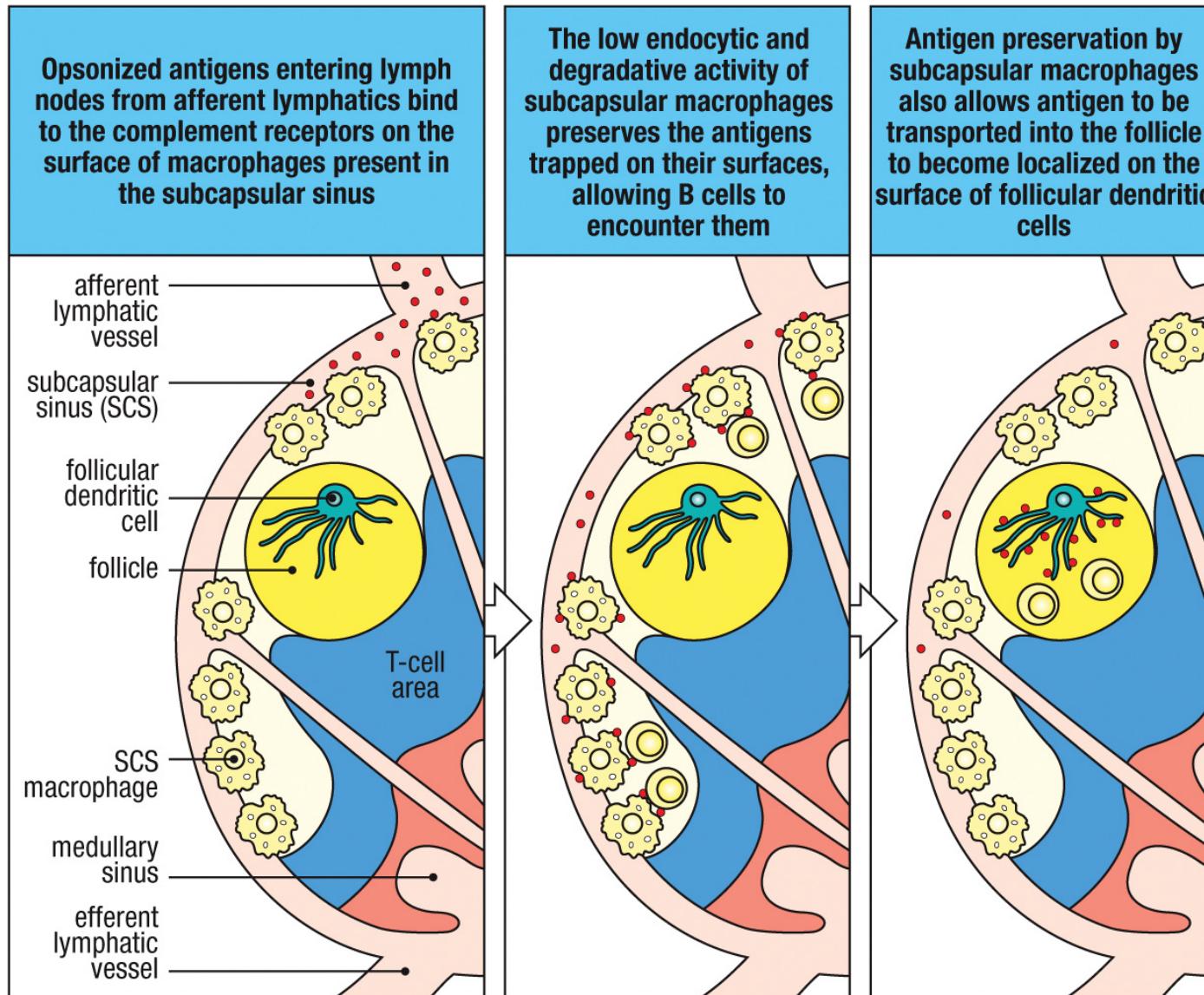
# Follicular Dendritic Cells

FDC display antigen-antibody-complement complexes on cell surface



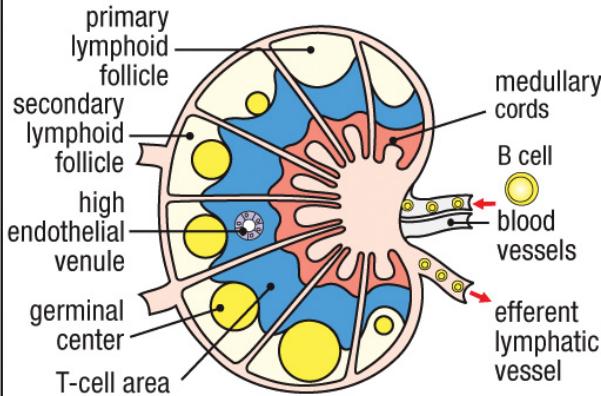
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# Opsonized antigens are captured and preserved by subcapsular sinus macrophages

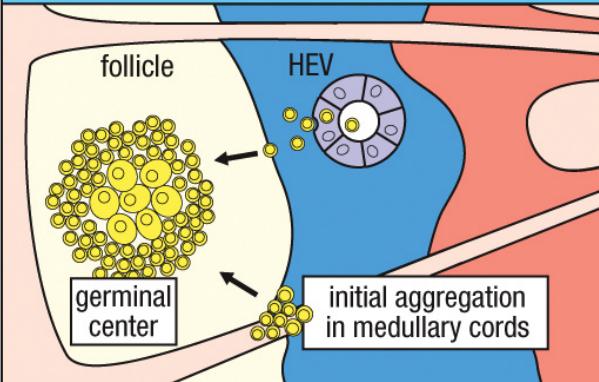


# Activated B-Cells Form Germinal Centers in Lymph Node Follicles

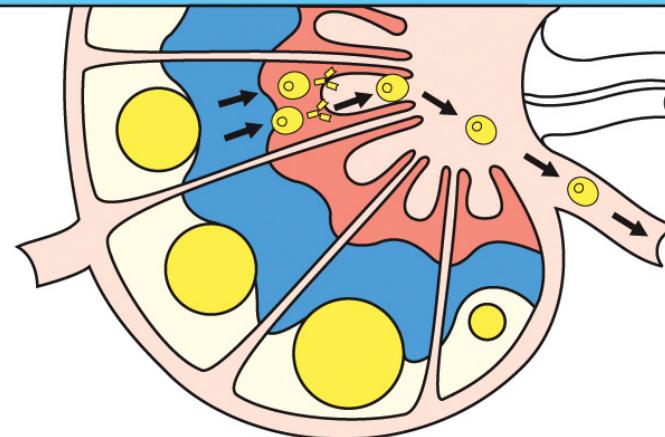
Naive B cells travel to the lymph node via the bloodstream and leave via the efferent lymph



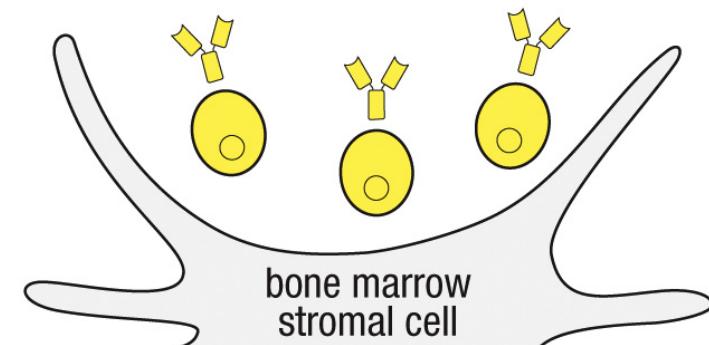
B cells that encounter antigen in the follicle form a primary focus. Some proliferating B cells migrate into the follicle to form a germinal center



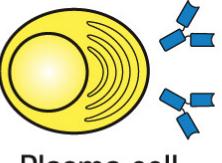
Plasma cells migrate to the medullary cords or leave via the efferent lymphatics



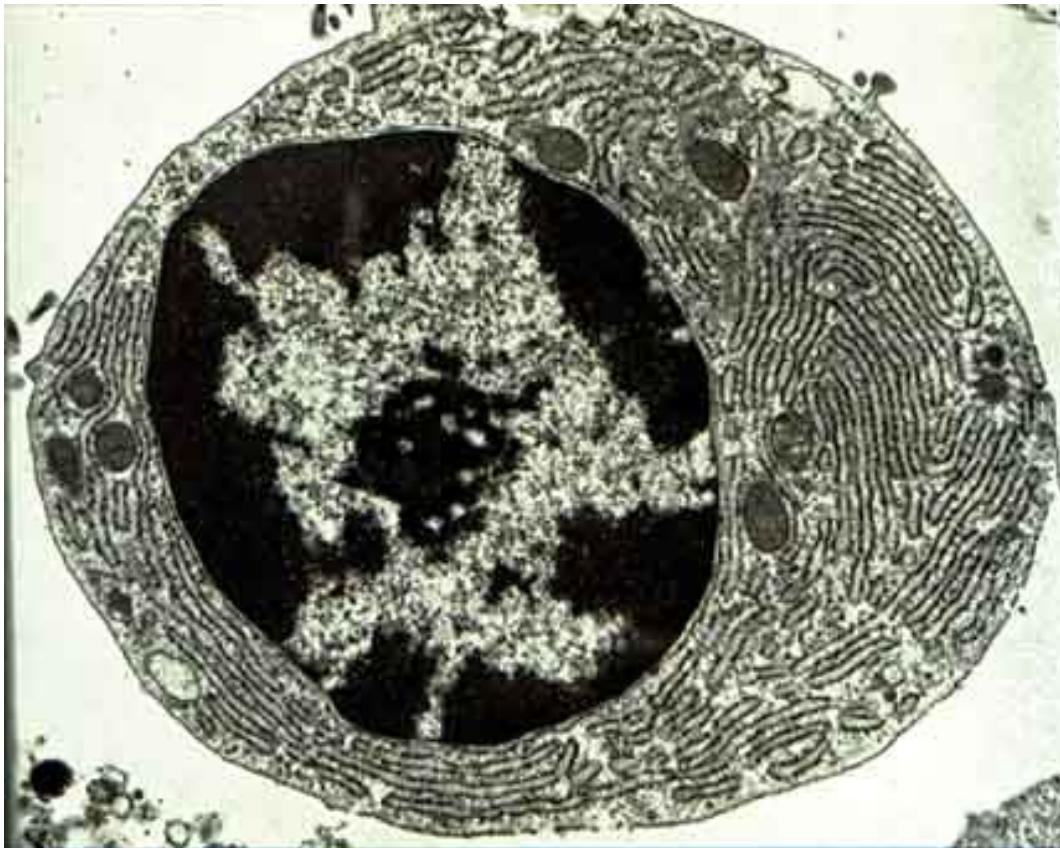
Plasma cells migrate to the bone marrow



# Plasma Cell Differentiation

Intrinsic properties				Inducible by antigen stimulation		
B-lineage cell	Surface Ig	Surface MHC class II	High-rate Ig secretion	Growth	Somatic hyper-mutation	Class switch
 Resting B cell	High	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
 Plasmablast	High	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unknown	Yes
 Plasma cell	IgA, IgE: High IgG: Low	Yes	Yes	No	No	No

# Plasma Cells

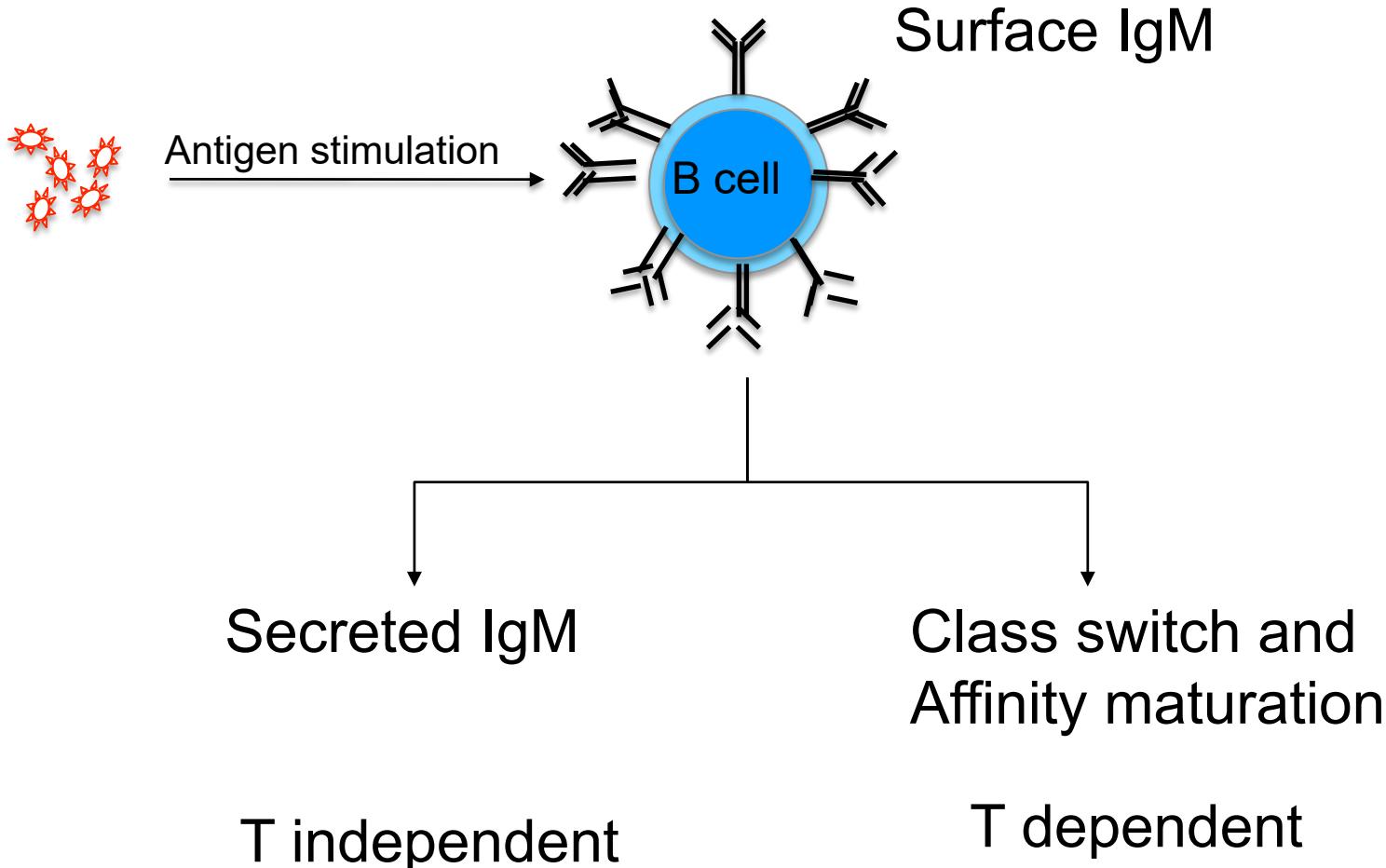


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# Antigen Stimulation Induced Isotype Switch



# Immunoglobulin Diversification

	<i>Primary repertoire</i>	<i>Secondary repertoire</i>
<b><i>Stage of development</i></b>	Naïve B cells	Activated B cells
<b><i>Variable region</i></b>	V(D)J recombination	Somatic hypermutation
<b><i>Constant region</i></b>	IgM or IgD	IgG, IgA, IgE, IgM, IgD

# Immunoglobulin Diversification

<i>Diversification mechanism</i>	<i>Effect</i>
Somatic hypermutation	Antigen specificity
Class switching	Effector activity

Irreversible changes at the DNA level

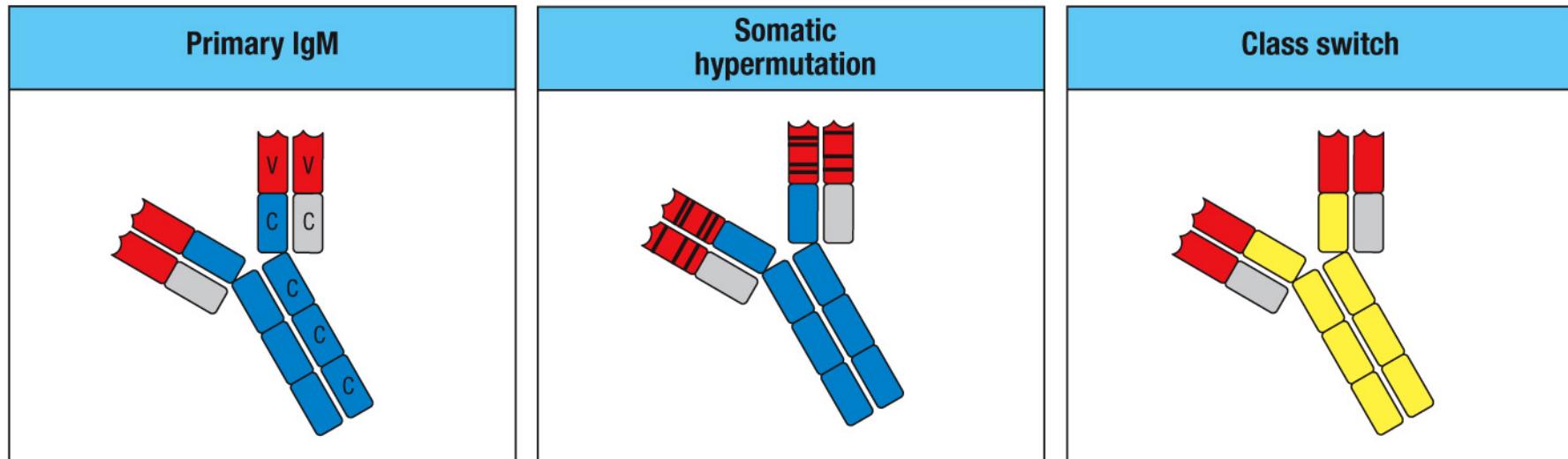


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# Somatic Hypermutation Is Required for Affinity Maturation of Antigen Specific Antibody

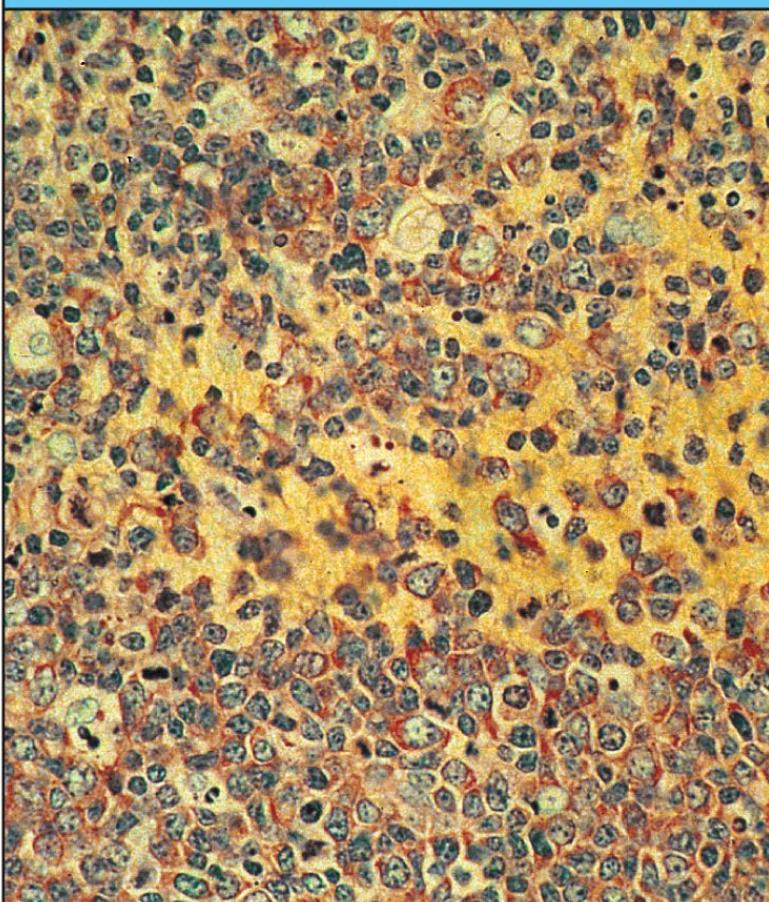
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## Affinity maturation

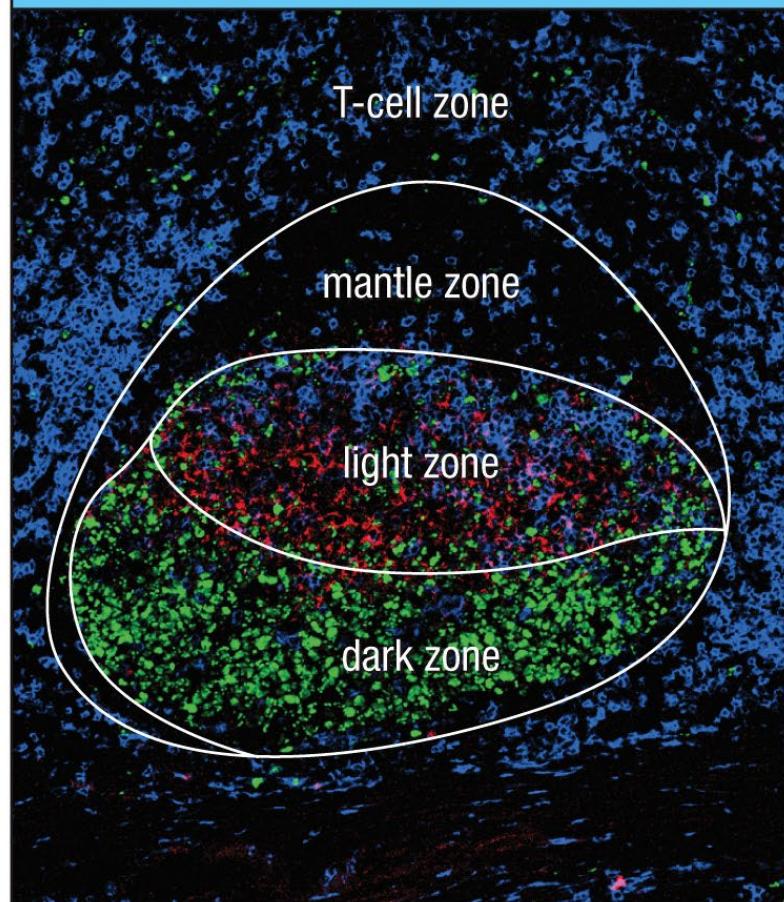
- Increase in the affinity of the antibody for the specific antigen
  - Many clones undergo independent mutations in the germinal center
  - Clones with the highest affinity are favored
- Prominent in secondary infections (memory)
- Immunization

# Germinal Center

Light micrograph of germinal center  
(high power)



Germinal center stained to show T cells,  
follicular dendritic cells, and  
proliferating B cells

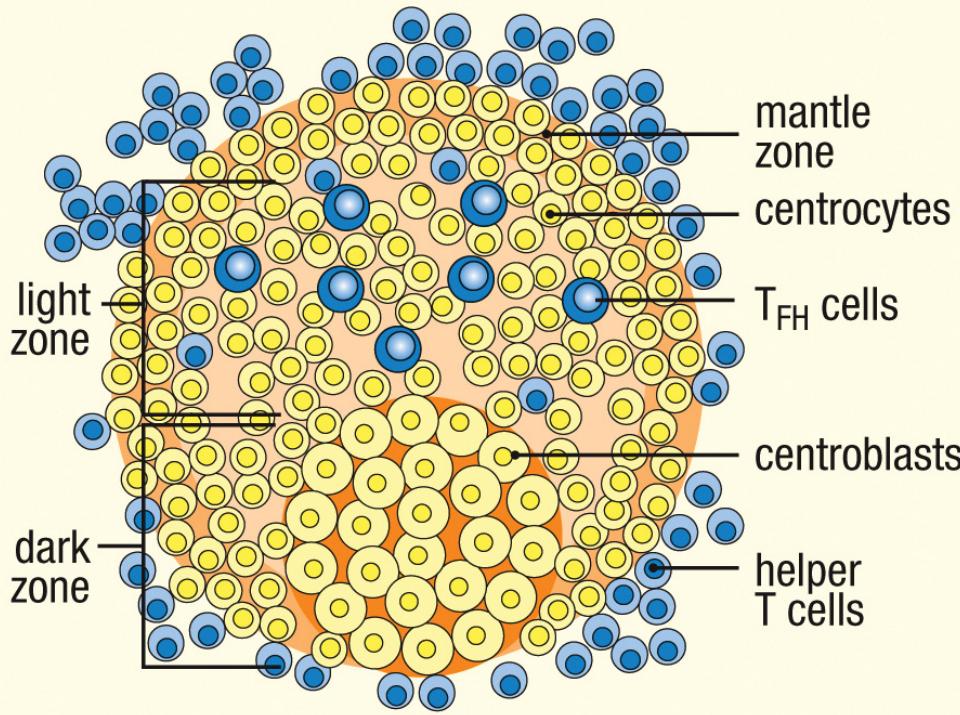


Green: Ki67, proliferating cells; Red: FDC; Blue: CD4 T cells

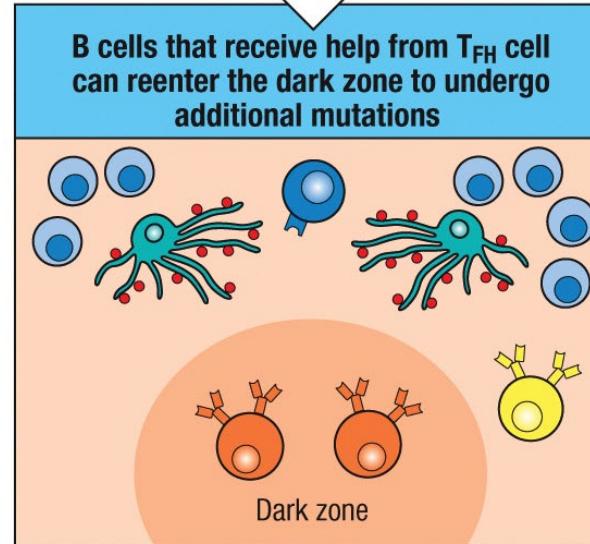
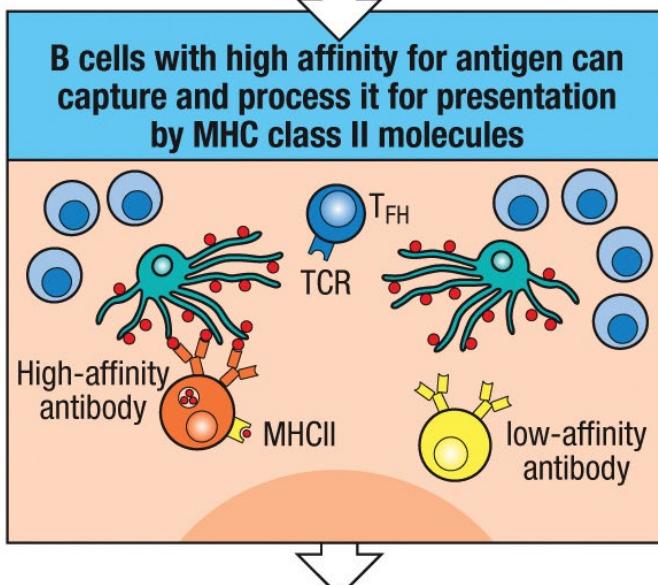
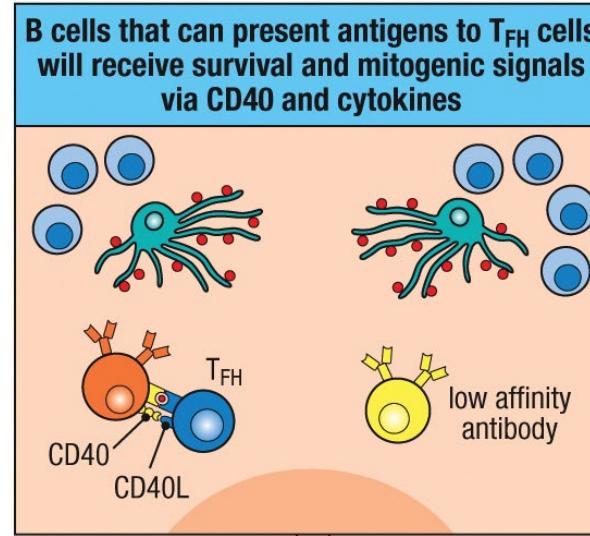
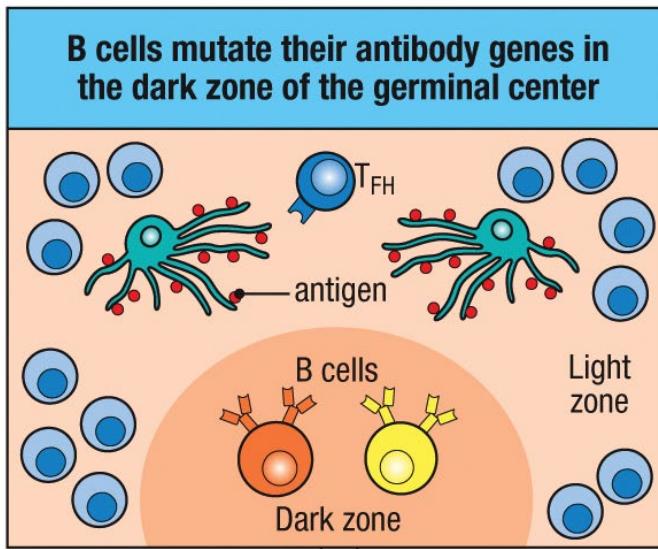
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# Germinal Center

Schematic representation of a follicle with a germinal center

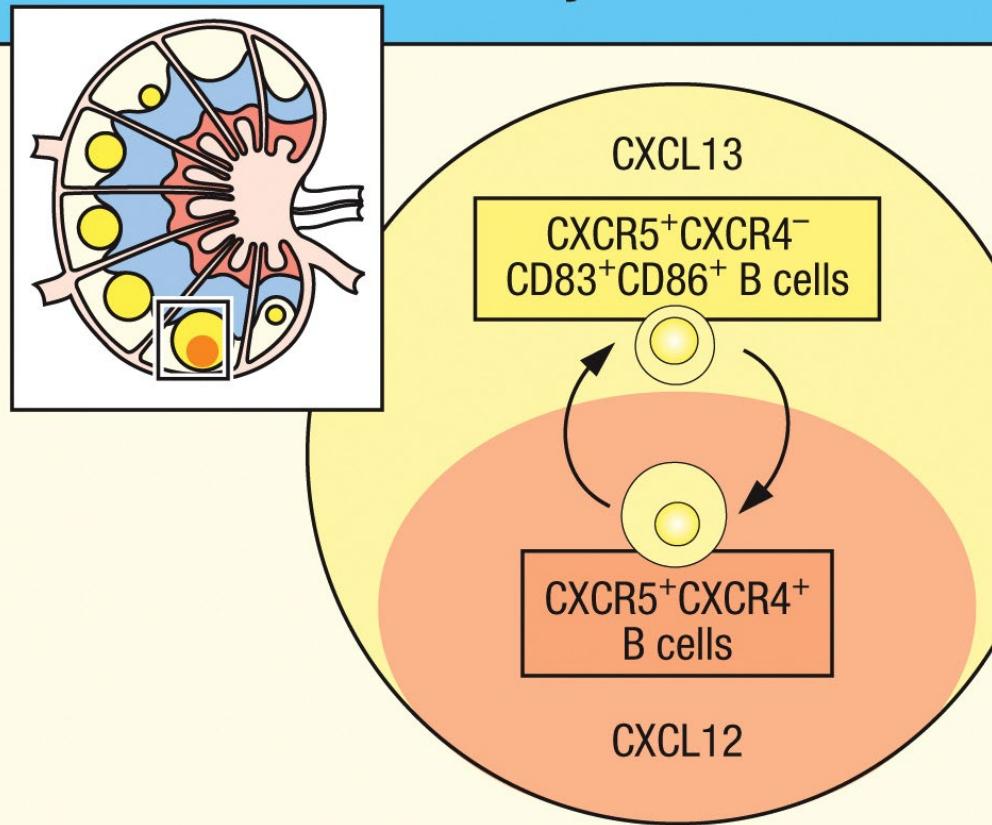


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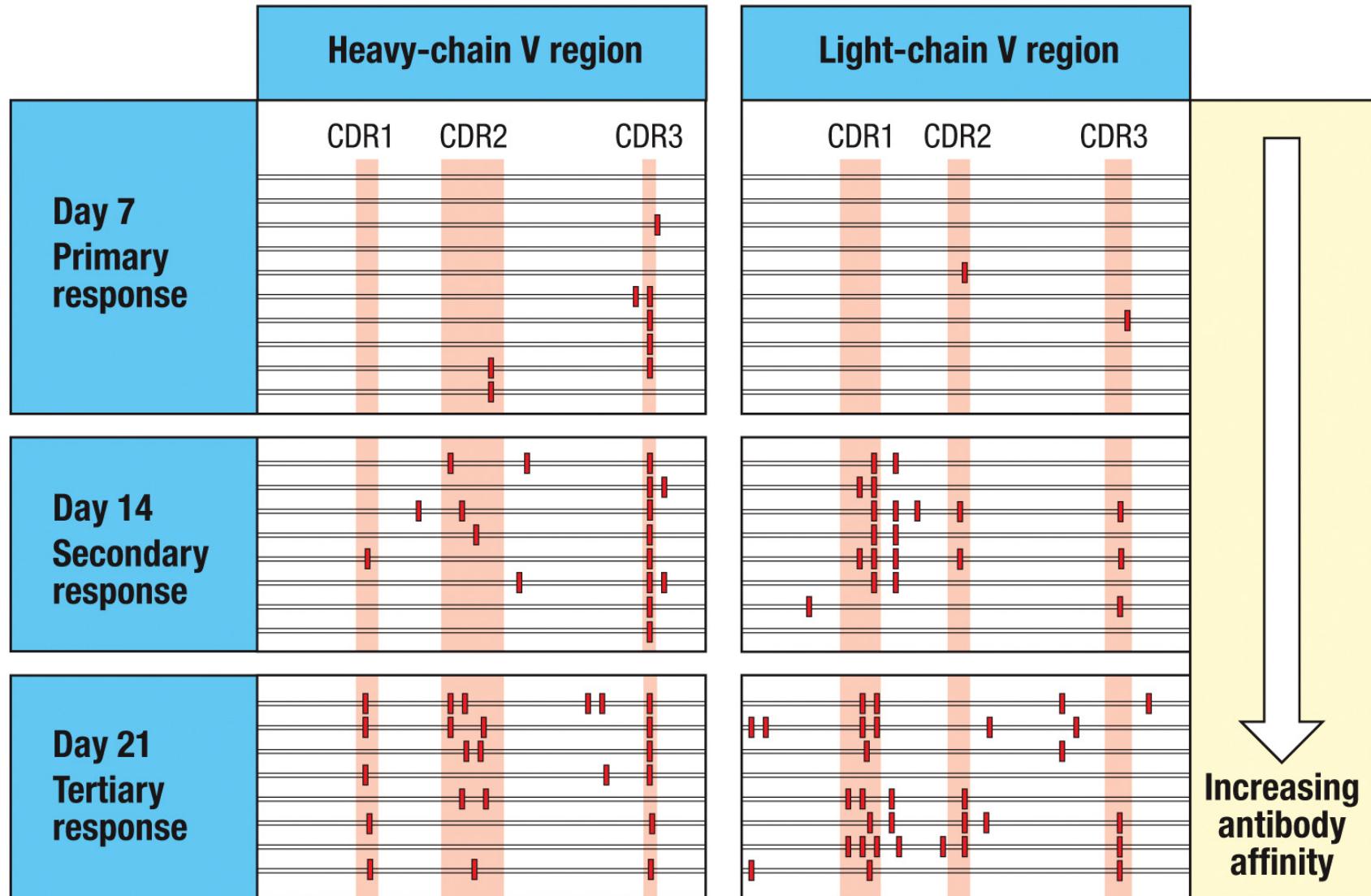


# Affinity Maturation

Cyclic reentry of cells into the dark zone  
is dependent on reexpression of CXCR4  
on centrocytes



# Increased Rate of Mutagenesis Generates Antibodies with Increased Affinity for Their Antigens

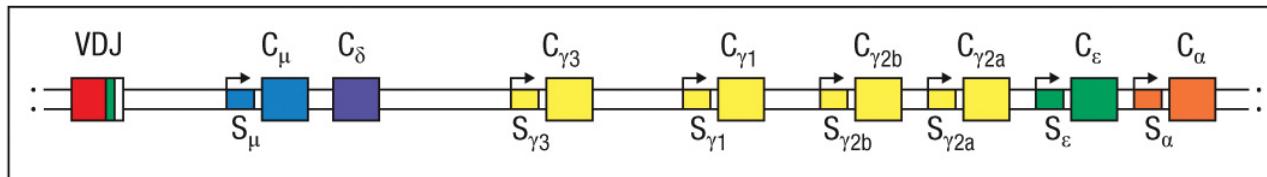


# Class Switch

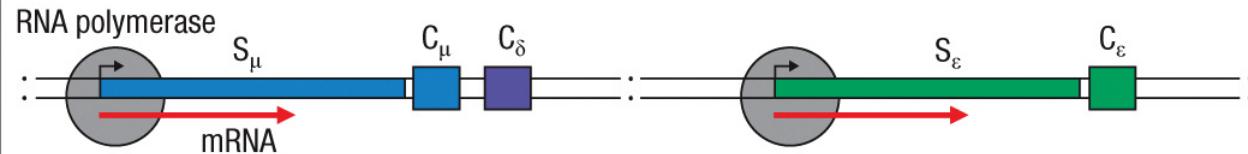
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- Irreversible DNA recombination
  - non-homologous DNA recombination
- Always productive
- Initiated in response to:
  - antigen stimulation
  - cytokine stimulation
- Guided by switch regions
  - within intron between J and C segments
  - Dependent on AID, but not RAG

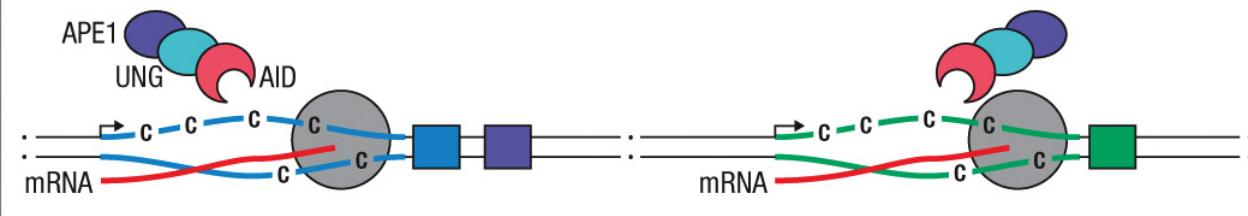
# Class Switch Is Guided by Switch Signals



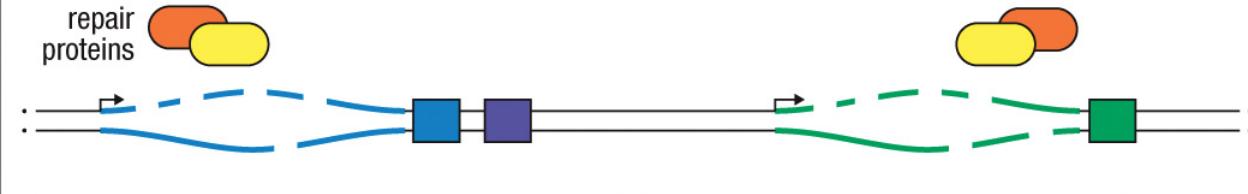
Transcription through the switch region is initiated by activation of the upstream promoter



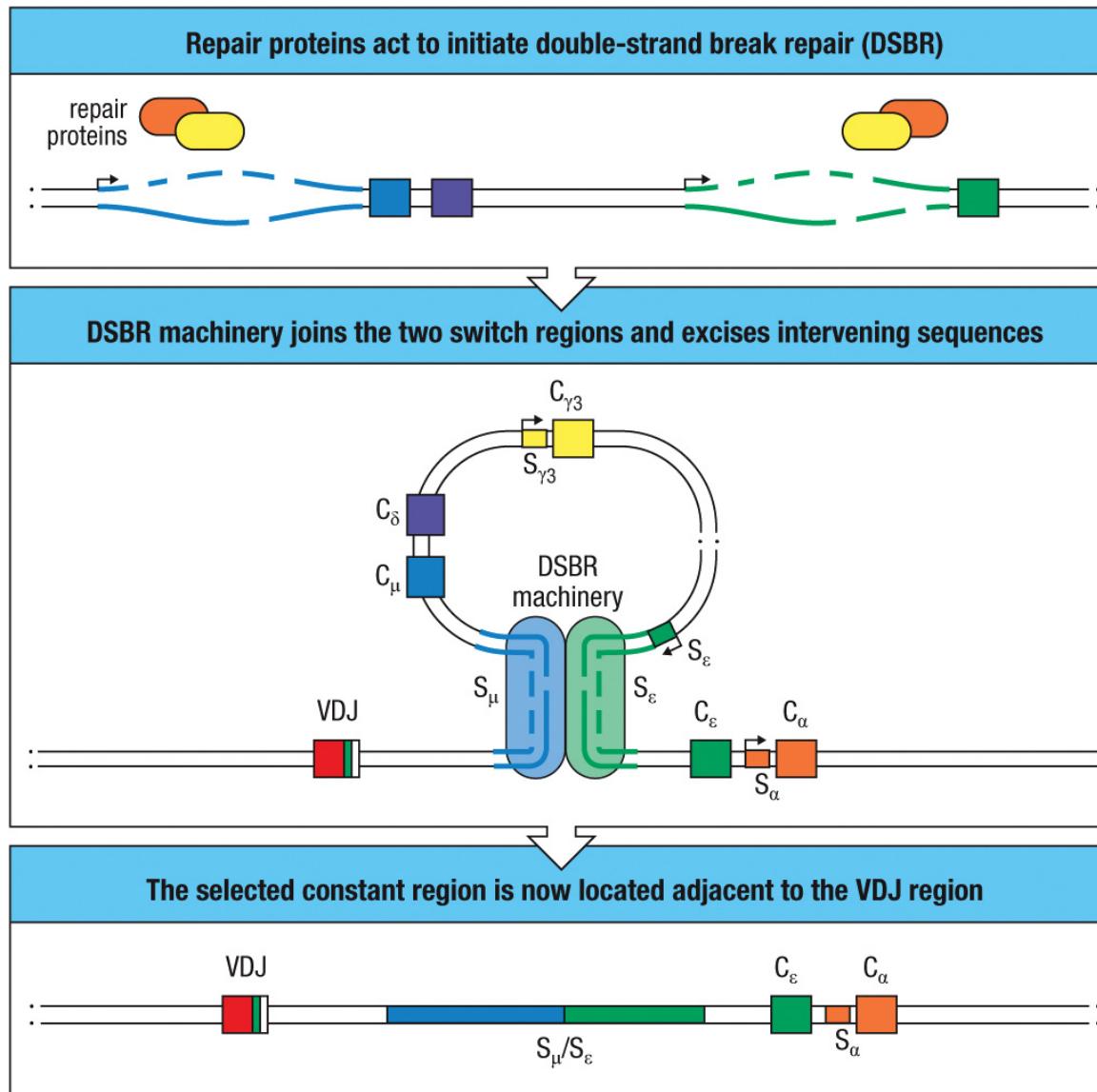
AID, UNG, and APE1 introduce clustered nicks on both strands of DNA



Repair proteins act to initiate double-strand break repair (DSBR)



# Class Switch Is Guided by Switch Signals

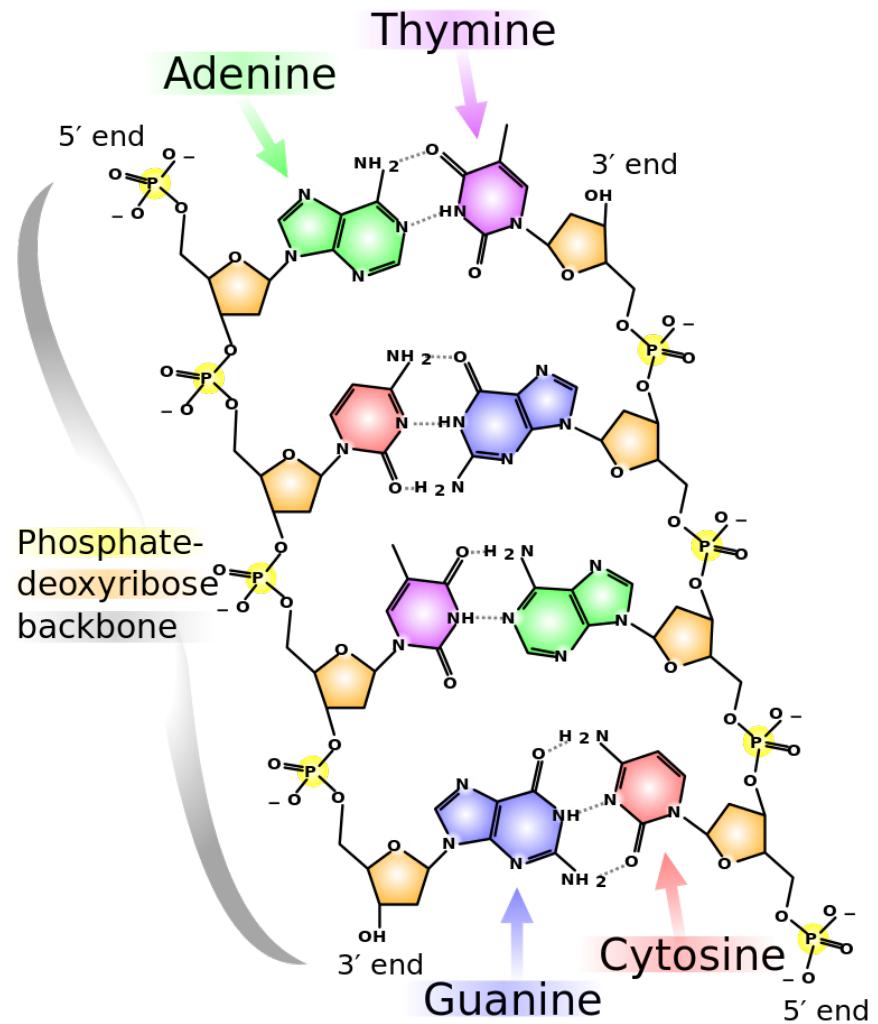
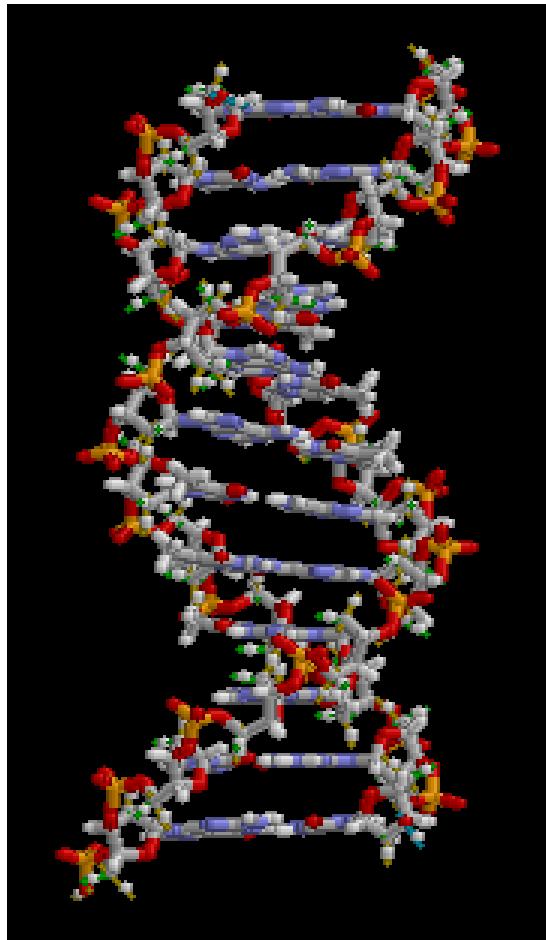


# Activation-Induced Cytidine Deaminase (AID)

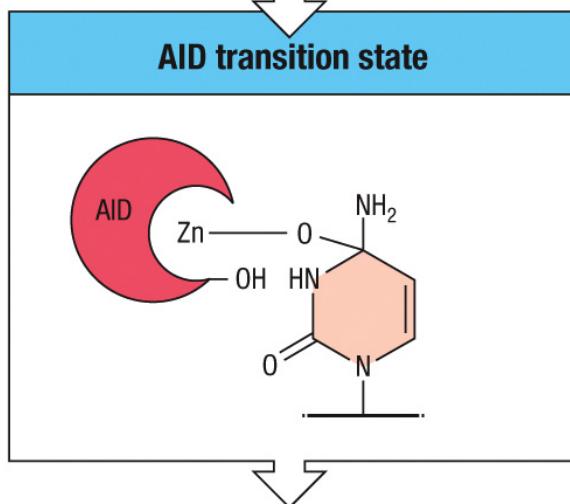
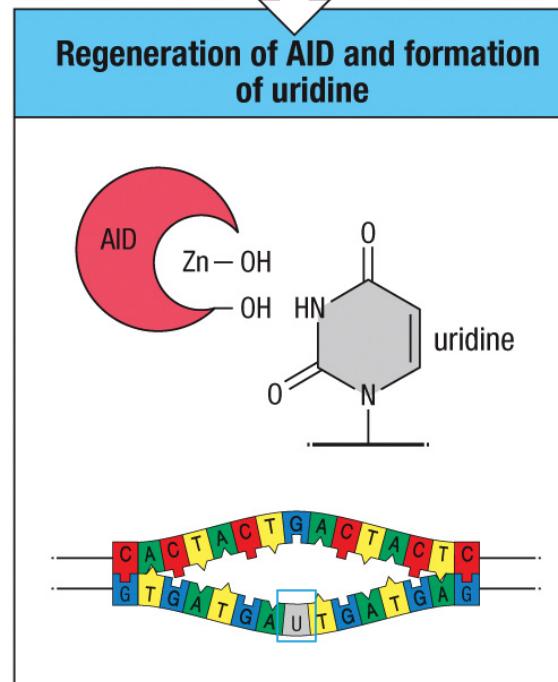
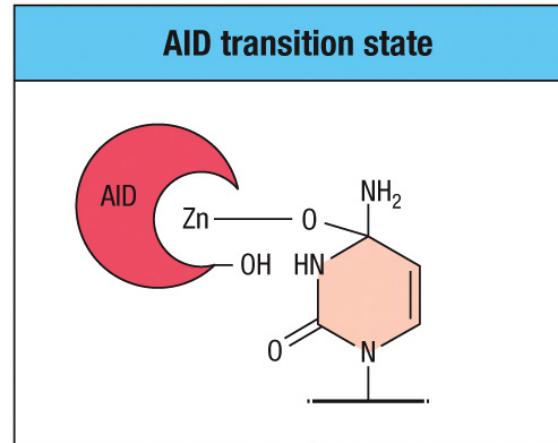
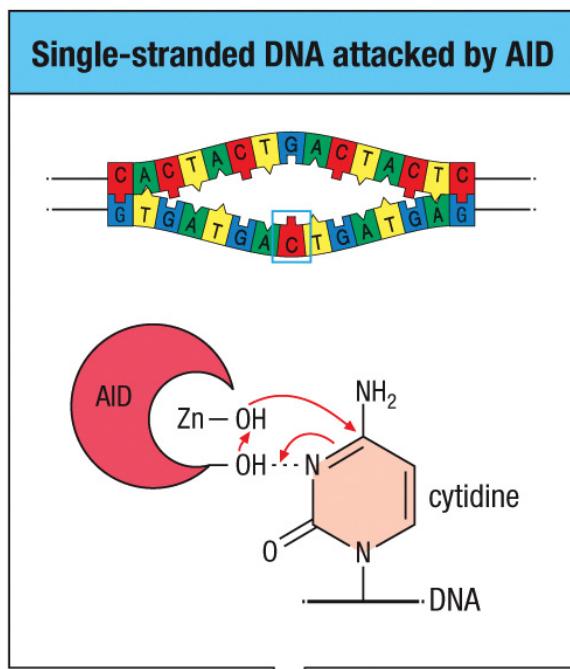
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- Only expressed in B cells
- Only work on single strand DNA
  - Active transcription
- Initiates:
  - Mutations during somatic hypermutation
  - Class switching

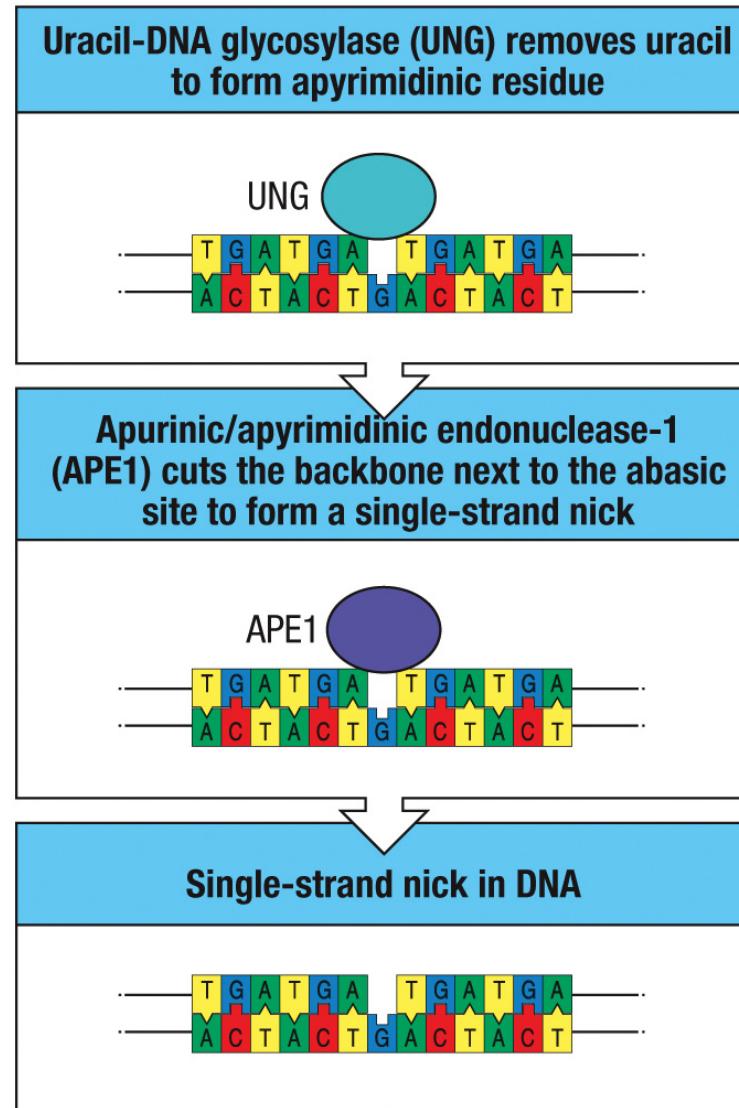
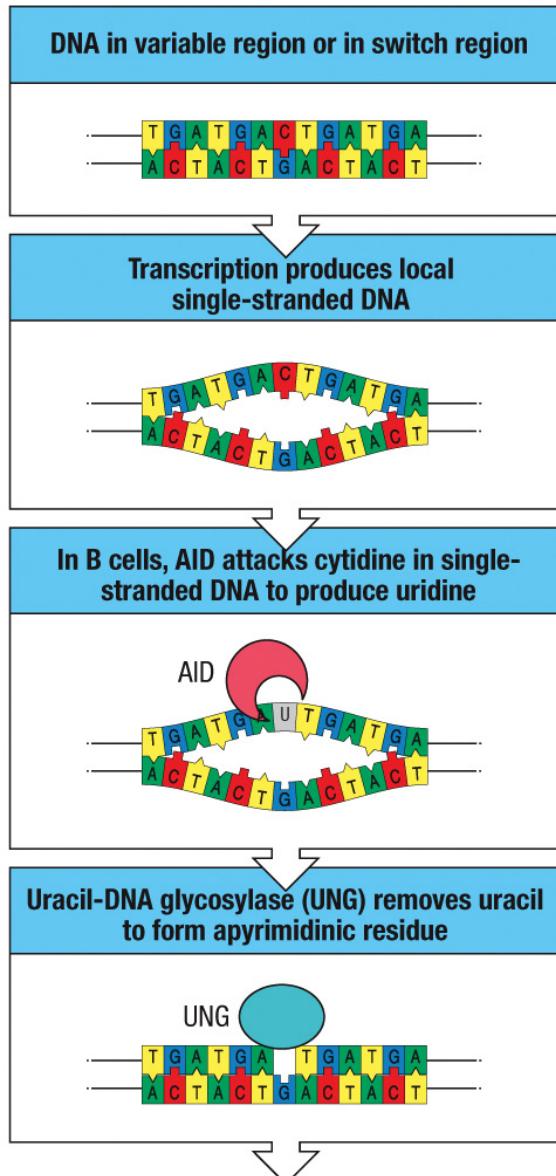
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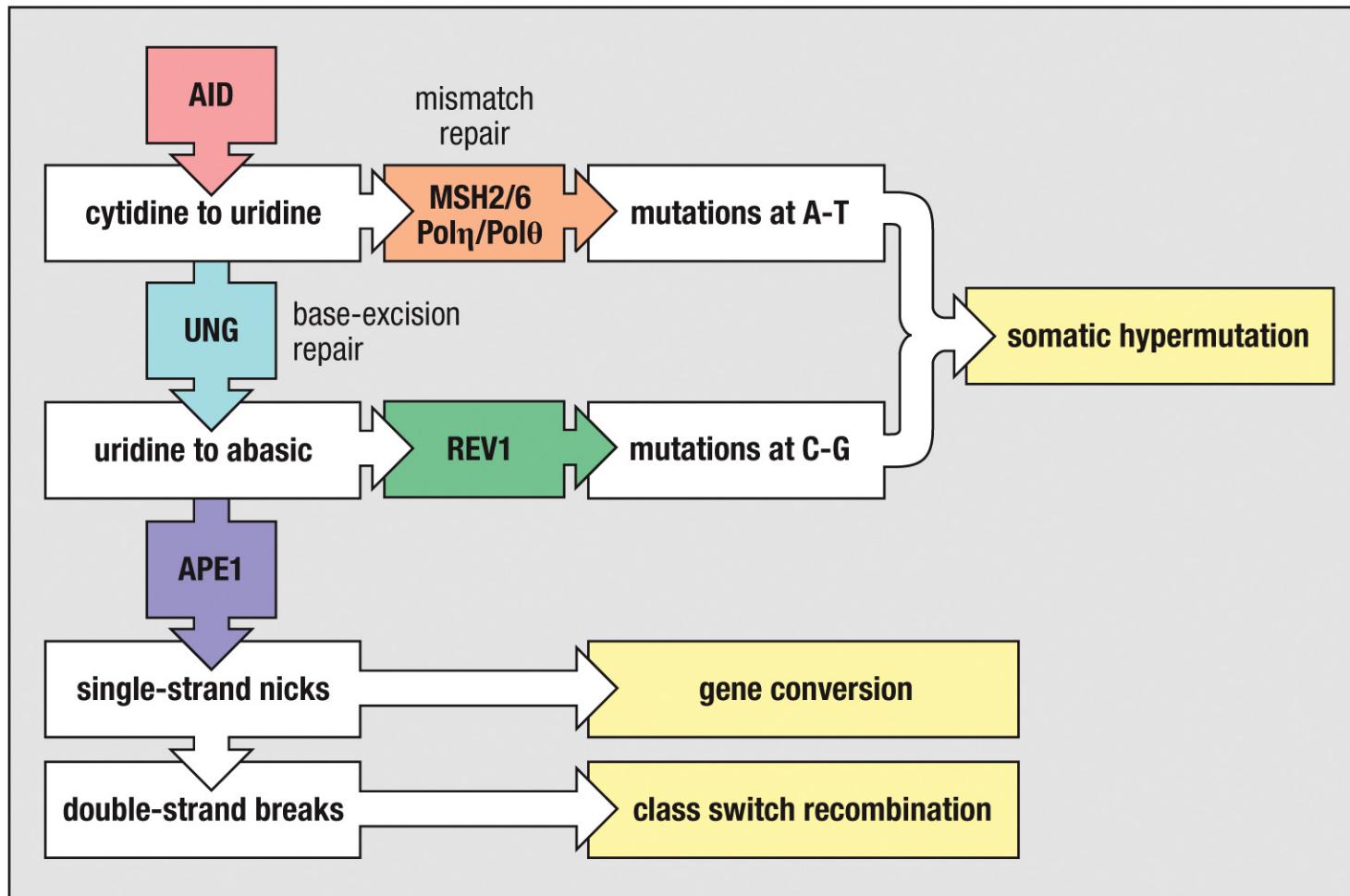
# C-U Switch at Single-Stranded DNA



# Generation of Single Stranded DNA Breaks



# AID Initiates Ig Diversification



# Class Switching is Mediated by Cytokines

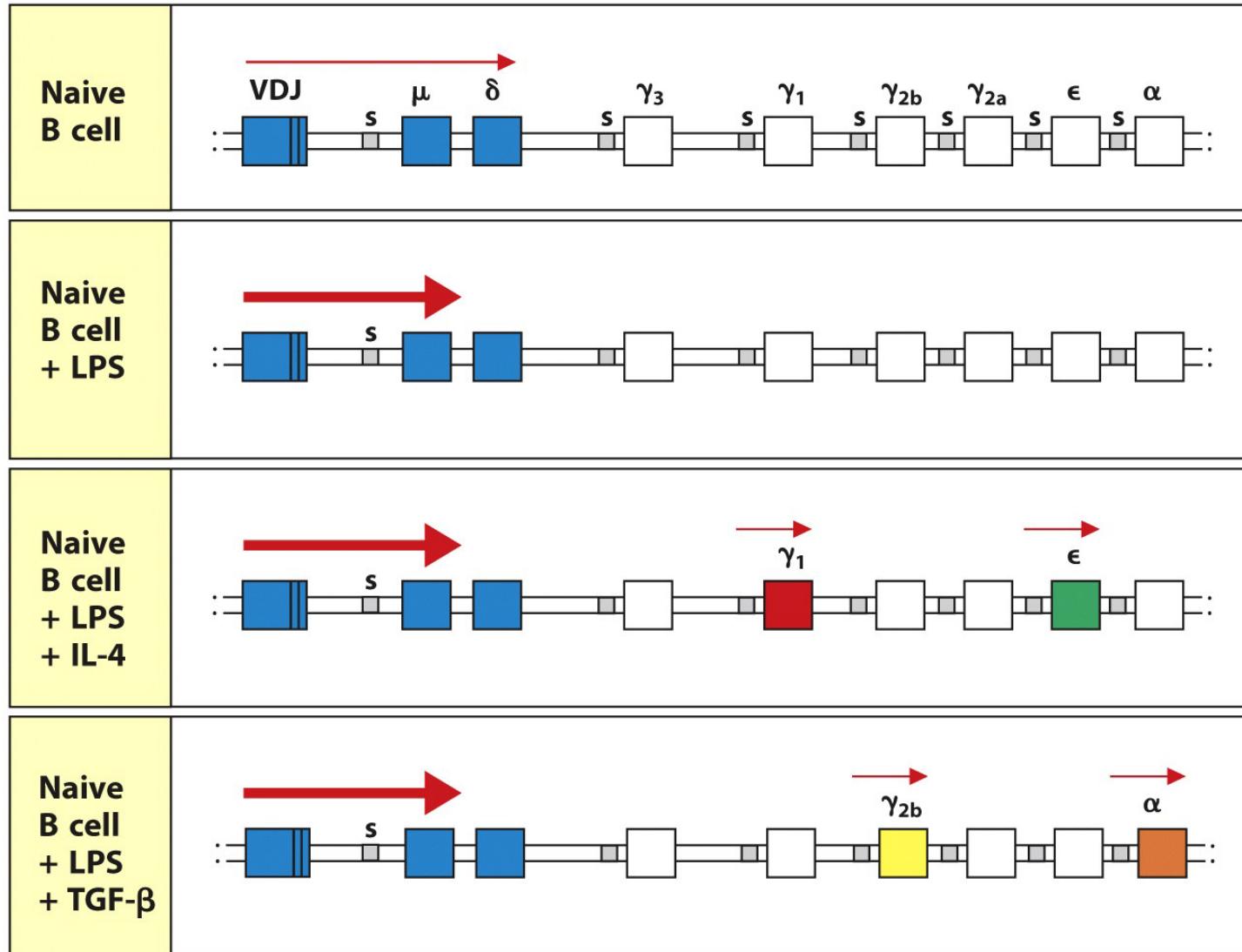


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# Class Switching is Mediated by Cytokines

Cytokines	Isotype
IL-4	IgG1, IgE
IFN- $\gamma$	IgG3, IgG2a
TGF- $\beta$	IgG2b, IgA
IL-21	IgG3, IgG1, IgA
IL-5	IgG1, IgA

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# Changes in Ig and T-cell Genes During B- and T-cell Development

Event	Process	Nature of change	Process occurs in:	
			B cells	T cells
V-region assembly	Somatic recombination of DNA	Irreversible	Yes	Yes
Junctional diversity	Imprecise joining, N-sequence insertion in DNA	Irreversible	Yes	Yes
Transcriptional activation	Activation of promoter by proximity to the enhancer	Irreversible but regulated	Yes	Yes
Switch recombination	Somatic recombination of DNA	Irreversible	Yes	No
Somatic hypermutation	DNA point mutation	Irreversible	Yes	No
IgM, IgD expression on surface	Differential splicing of RNA	Reversible, regulated	Yes	No
Membrane vs secreted form	Differential splicing of RNA	Reversible, regulated	Yes	No

# Question

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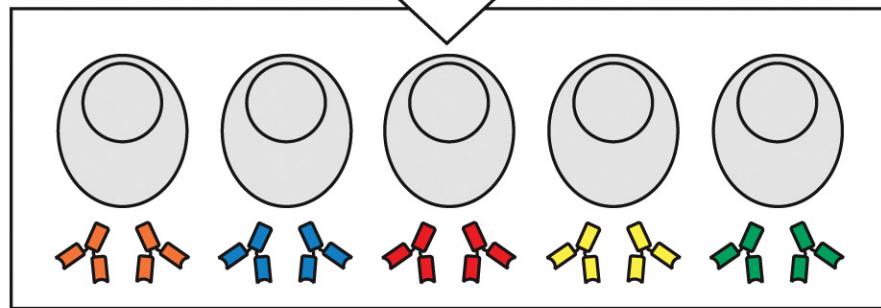
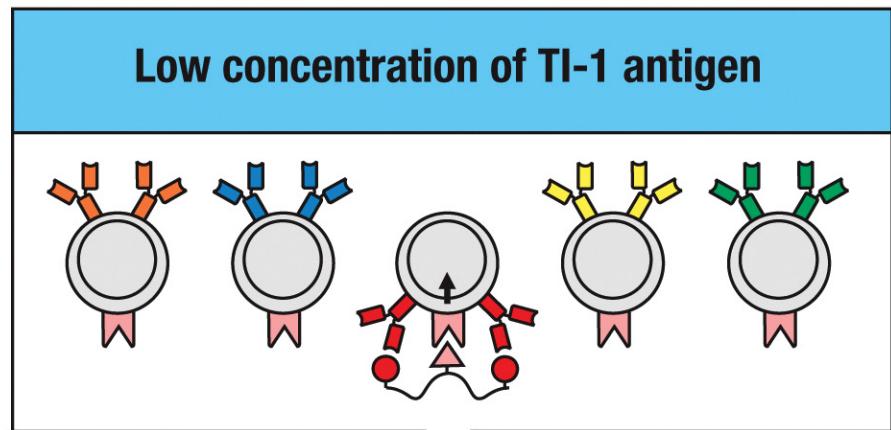
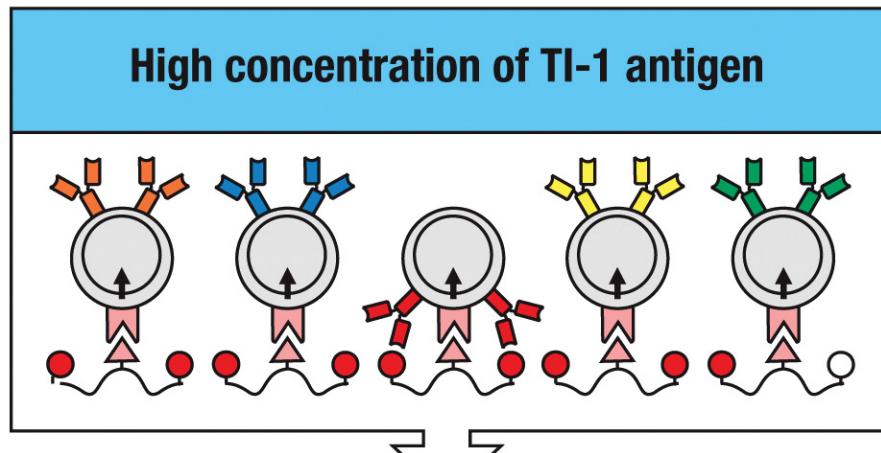
- How different is RAG and AID?
- Substrate
- Function

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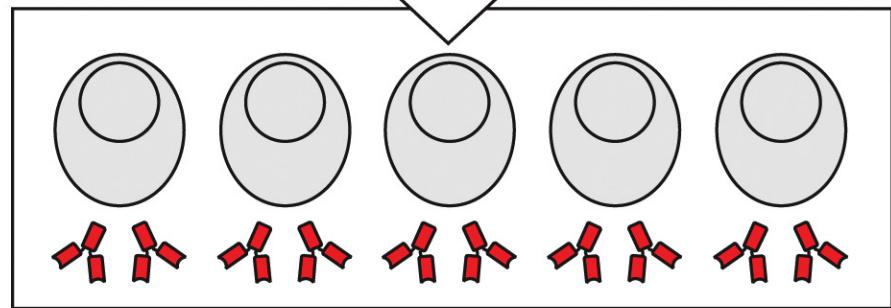
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# TI-1 Antigen: B Cell Mitogen-TLR



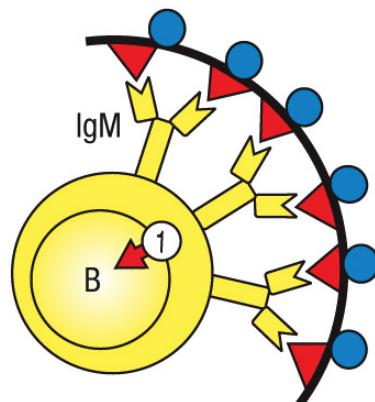
Polyclonal B-cell activation;  
nonspecific antibody response



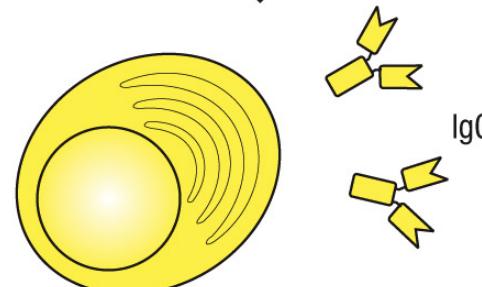
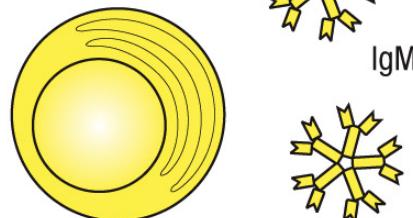
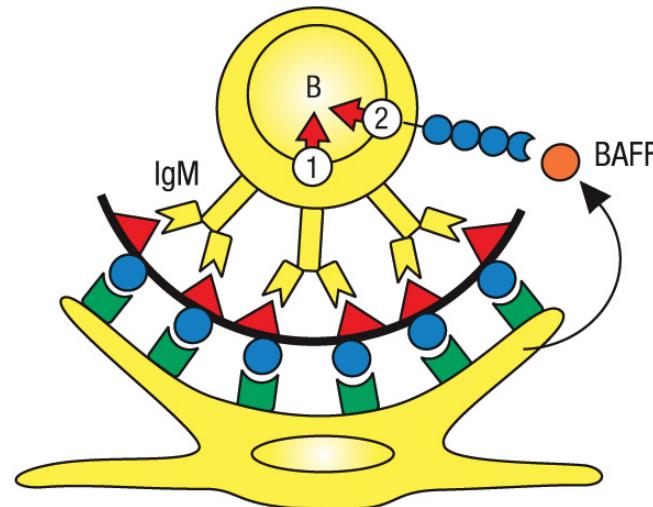
TI-1 antigen-specific antibody response

# TI-2 Antigen: Extensive Crosslinking

TI-2 antigens alone can signal B cells to produce IgM antibody



Activated dendritic cells release a cytokine, BAFF, that augments production of antibody against TI-2 antigens and induces class switching



# Properties of Different Antigen Classes

	TD antigen	TI-1 antigen	TI-2 antigen
Antibody response in infants	Yes	Yes	No
Antibody production in congenitally athymic individual	No	Yes	Yes
Antibody response in absence of all T cells	No	Yes	Yes
Primes T cells	Yes	No	No
Polyclonal B-cell activation	No	Yes	No
Requires repeating epitopes	No	No	Yes
Examples of antigen	Diphtheria toxin Viral hemagglutinin Purified protein derivative (PPD) of <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i>	Bacterial lipopolysaccharide <i>Brucella abortus</i>	Pneumococcal polysaccharide <i>Salmonella</i> polymerized flagellin Dextran Hapten-conjugated Ficoll (polysucrose)

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# Question

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- T cell help is not required for TD-B cells to:
- A) Proliferate
- B) Produce IgM
- C) Affinity maturation
- D) Class switching

# Case Study: AID Deficiency

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- Patient:
  - 3 year old female
  - Recurrent infections
    - Pneumonia
    - Middle-ear infection
    - Enlarged lymph nodes
    - Blood culture of *Streptococcus Pneumoniae*
- Diagnosis:
  - High IgM, no IgG
- Treatment:
  - Antibiotics
  - Intravenous immunoglobulin therapy

# Failure in Class Switch

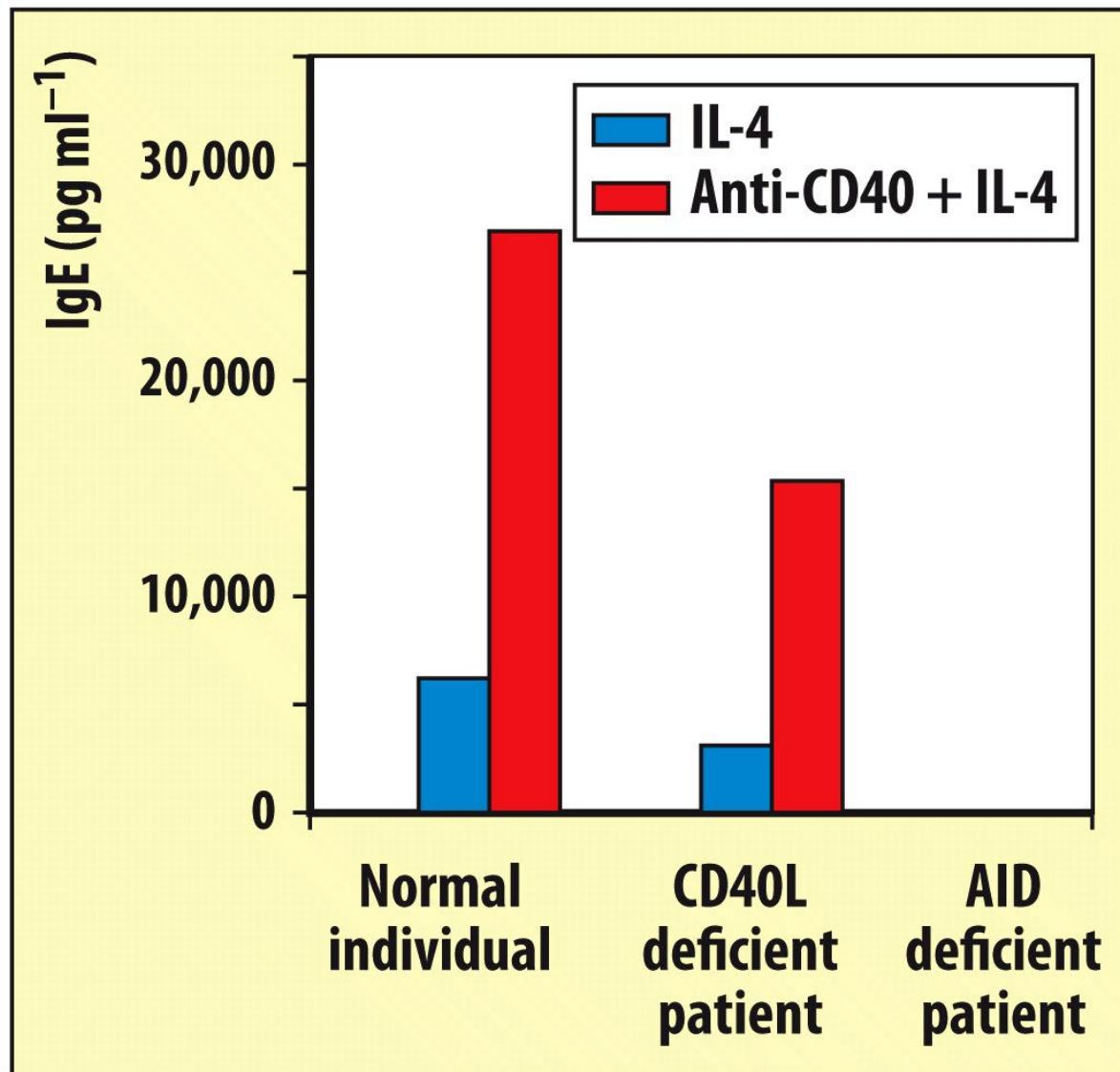


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# What's Wrong with the Patient?

## Defect in AID

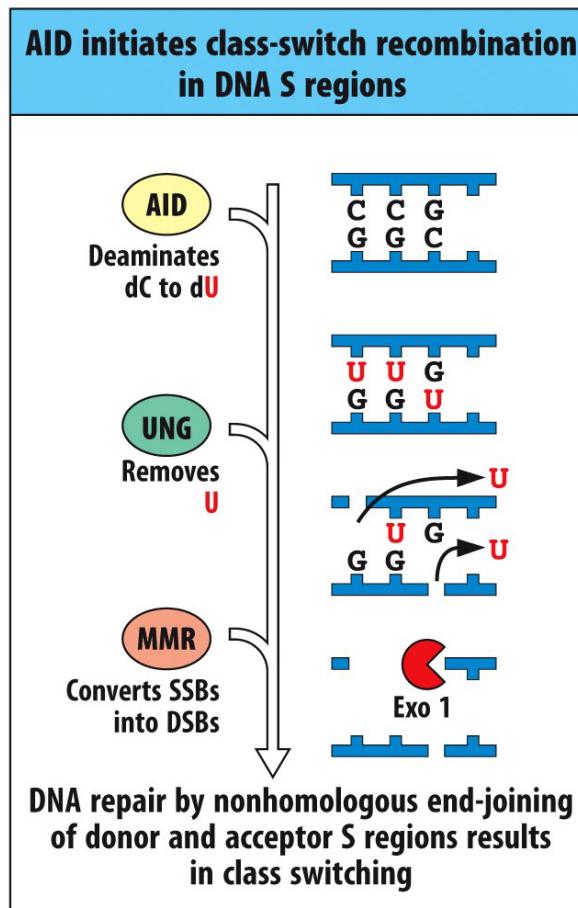


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# Enlarged Germinal Center

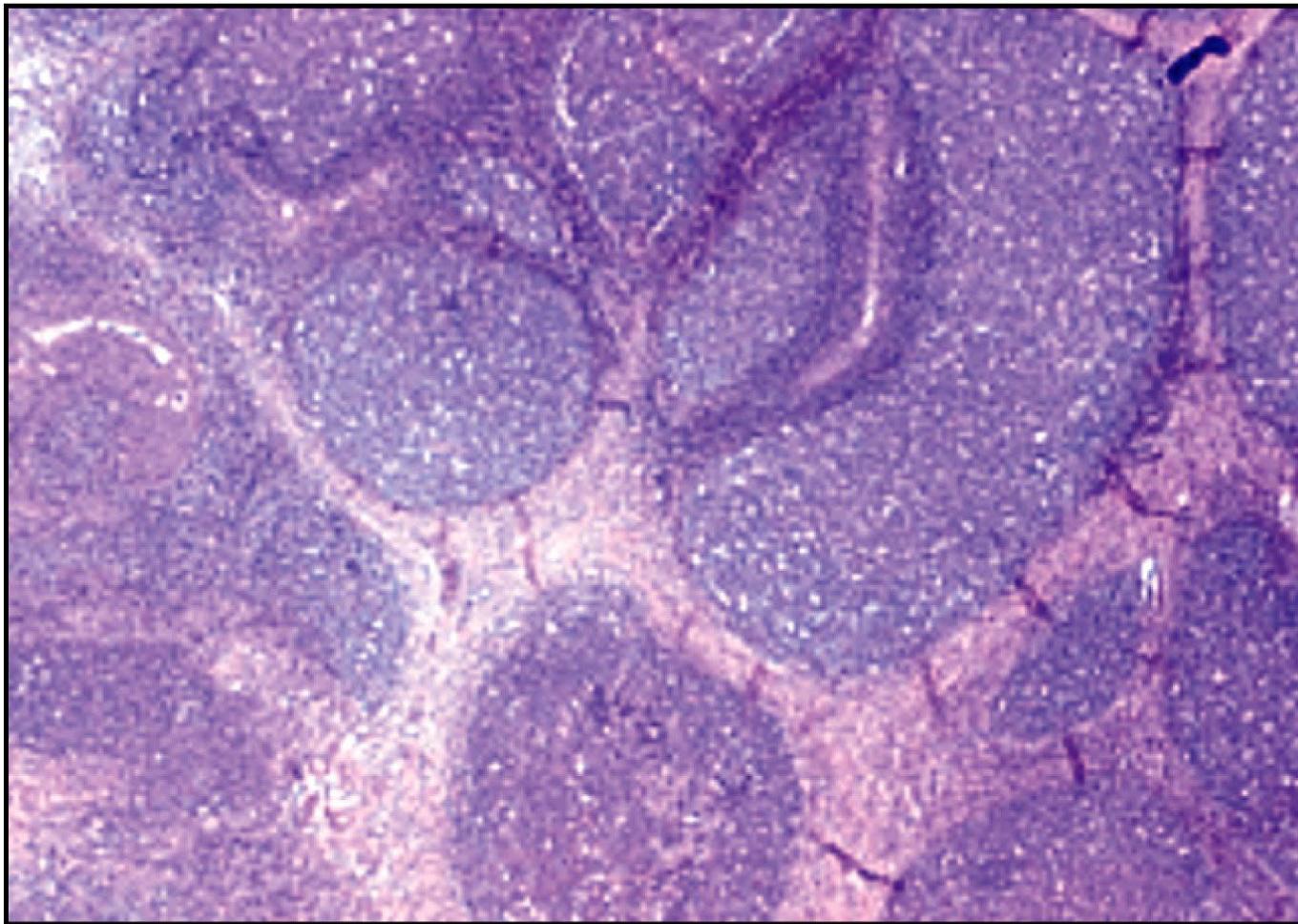


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Proliferating B cells failed to class switch

# What's Wrong with the Patient?

Failure in opsonization

Increased susceptibility of pyogenic extracellular bacteria

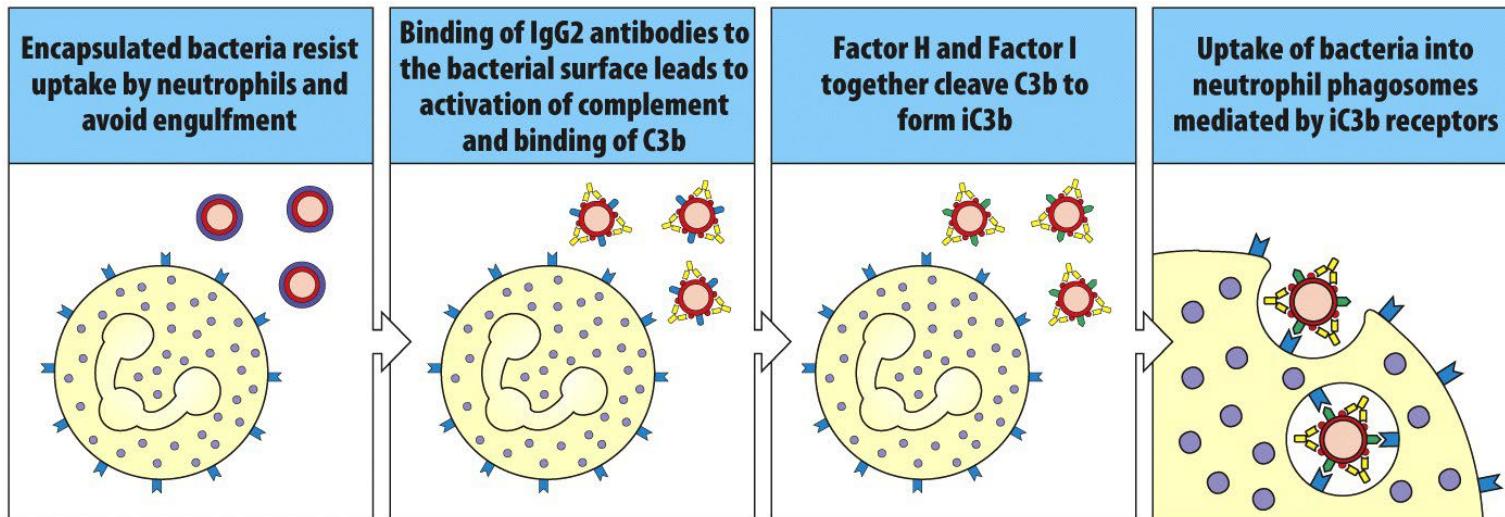


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Functional activity	IgM	IgD	IgG1	IgG2	IgG3	IgG4	IgA	IgE
Neutralization	+	-	++	++	++	++	++	-
Opsonization	-	-	+++	*	++	+	+	-

# Case Study: CD40 Ligand Deficiency

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- Patient:
  - Male
  - Repeated infection since infancy
  - Antibody of IgM class only
- Diagnosis:
  - Absence of CD40 on activated T cells
- Treatment:
  - Weekly infusion with gamma globulin
  - Died of Liver failure at 21 years

# No Surface CD40

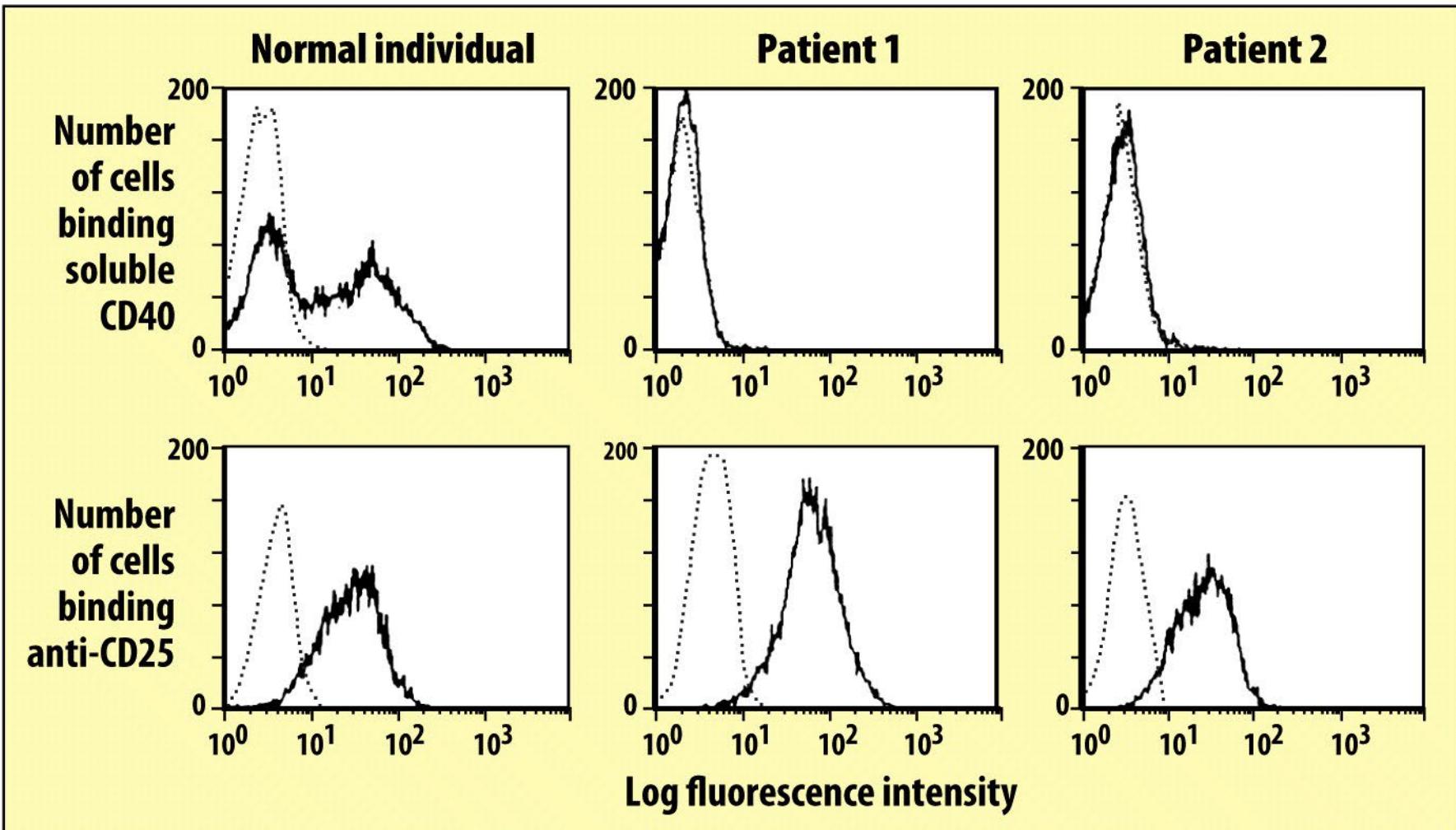


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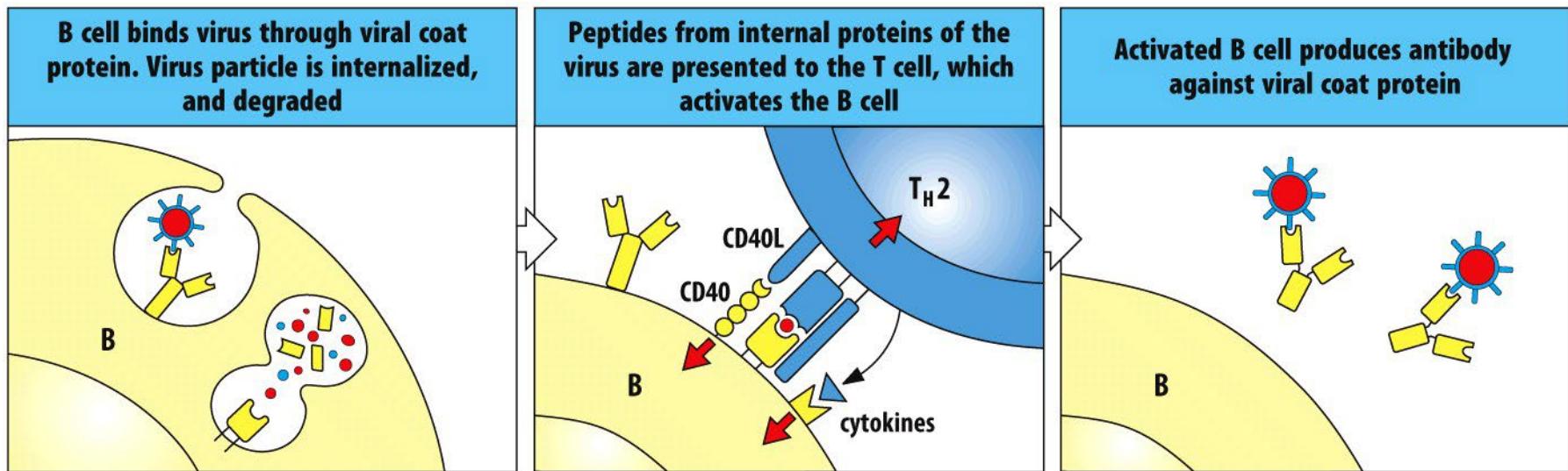


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# No Class Switching

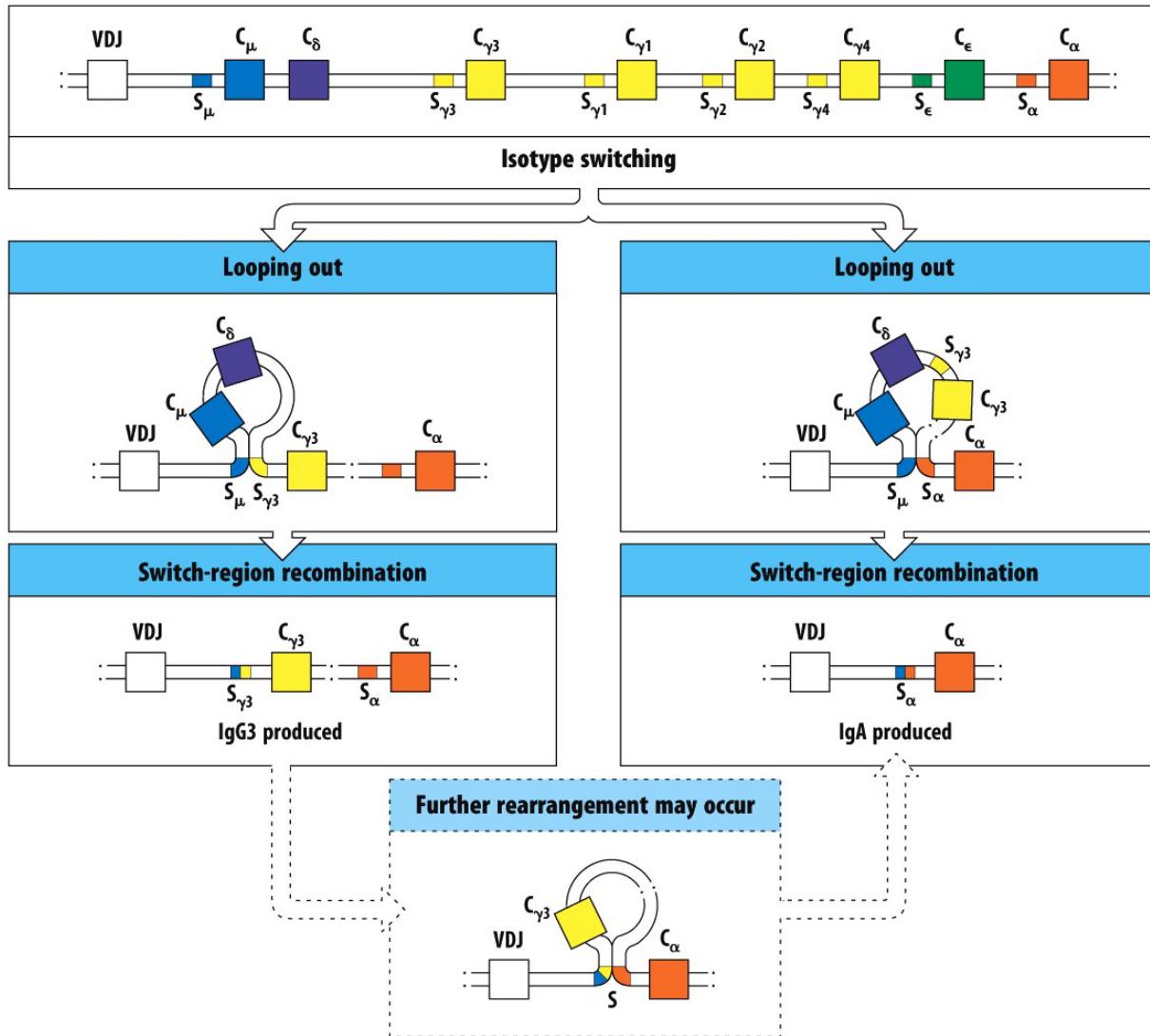


Figure 2.2 Case Studies in Immunology, 6ed. (© Garland Science 2012)

# No Germinal Center

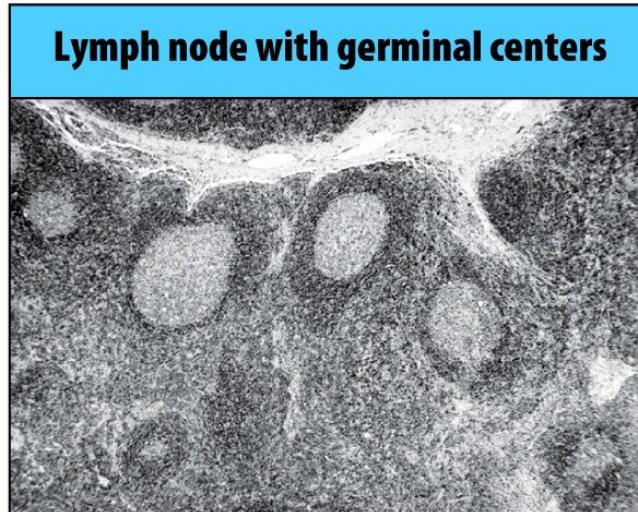
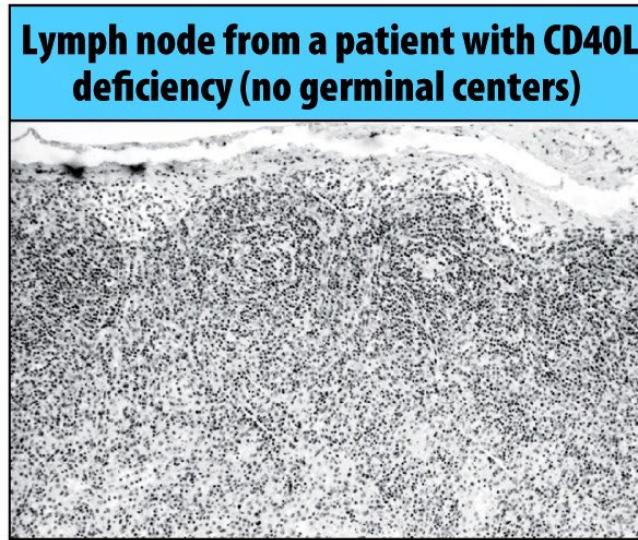


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# Failed Macrophage Activation

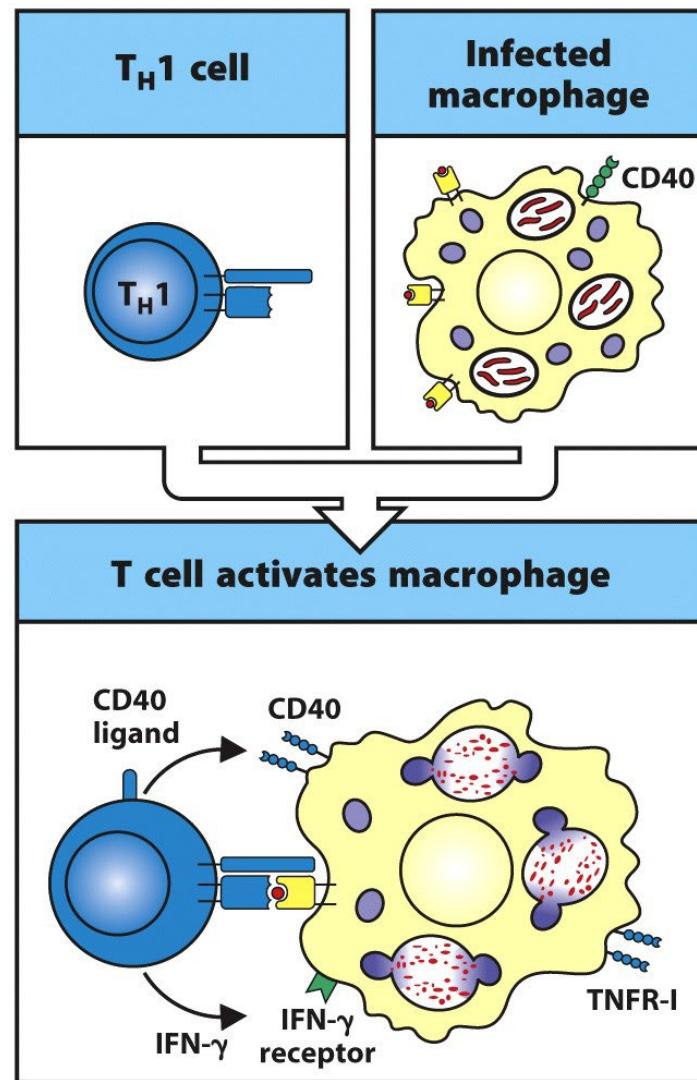


Figure 9.40 Janeway's Immunobiology, 8ed. (© Garland Science 2012)

# What's Wrong with the Patient?

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Absent of CD40

Failed B cell affinity maturation and class switching

Failed to activate Macrophages

Severe Immune deficiency

# Question

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- What is different in AID and CD40 deficiency? Why?