Basic Immunology

Lecture 17

Effector mechanisms of cell-mediated immune responses (CMI):

Effector functions of lymphocyte populations



Th cell polarization is antigen dependent





Types of T Cell–Mediated Immune Reactions



Fig. 10-1

Cell-mediated immune response (CMI)

<u>Cytotoxicity</u>	<u>Th1 mediated</u> macrophage activation
Effector cells direct cytotoxic activity:	Effector cells cytokine production:
- CD8+Tc → CTL	- T _{DTH} cells = Th1 cells
- γδ T cells	- Macrophages
- NK cells,	
- Macrphages	
<u> Target cell (cytosolic antigen):</u>	Antigen in phagolysosome:
- allogen cells (transplantation minor histocompatibility	 intracellular bacterium, fungi, parasite, virus
antigen)	- contact antigens (small
- malignant cells	molecules (haptén) skin protein
 virally infected cells 	complexes)
 chemically modified cells 	

Antigen recognition of T and NKT cells



Presentation of intracellular and extracellular antigens



Cytosolic way

Phagolysosomes

Antigen recognition of cytotoxic T cells



Activated Tc cells = effector CTL TcRαβ, CD8+ cells Antigen specific recognition with MHC- I restriction

Cytotoxicity

CD8+ T cytotoxic cells
 γδT cells
 NK cells,
 NKT and MAIT cells



Phases of T Cell Responses





Clonal Expansion of T cells



Fig. 9-12



How CD4⁺ T Cells Help CD8⁺ T Cells



Fig. 9-18

Naive Tc cell activation



Activation of memory CTL doesn't require Th1 help



Memory CTL: autokrin IL-2 production

Naiv CTL: Th1 produces IL-2

Steps of CTL-mediated target cell killing



1. Antigen recognition 2. Conjugation 3. CTL cytoplasmic rearrangement 4. CTL degranulation 5. Target cell apoptózis 6. Dissociation

Mechanisms of CTL induced apoptosis:



Soluble effector molecules: perforins and granzymes

Membrane-bound effector molecules: Fas/Fas ligand (FAS-L)

IV-8-1 T-cell killing

The secretory mechanism of apoptosis



Extrinsic Apoptosis pathway



Caspase Activated Deoxyribonuclease (CAD)



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When activated by caspase-3, CAD is responsible for cleaving DNA into the characteristic ~200 bp fragments of apoptotic cells.

$\gamma\delta$ T cells

- 5 % of the T cells,
- Intraepidermal lymphocytes: CD4- and CD8-
- Intraepithelial lyphocytes: CD8+
- Produced in embryonic life, no recirculation,
- Limited, tissue specific TcR diversity → specialization to respond to certain antigens
- Ligand recognition: non-MHC-retricted, but antigen specific
- Antigens: viral proteins, surface heat-shock proteins (produced in inflammatory responses) bacterial lipids, phosphatids through CD1 molecule
- Function: eliminate damaged cells and microbial invaders

$\gamma\delta$ T cells





Natural killer cells (NK)

• 10-15% of lymphocytes = LGL cells

CD8 MHCI CD2 NK CD45 CD45

- Phenotype:
- TcR- CD3-, CD4-, CD8+/-, CD2+, CD16+ (FcγRIII) CD56+,
- They secrete cytokines: $INF\gamma \rightarrow immune regulation (Th1)$
- Function: early response to infection with certain viruses, intracellular bacteria and tumor cells

NK-cell receptors:

- Killer inhibitory receptors (KIR): recognize normal self MHC-I molecules
- Killer activatory receptors (KAR): recognize aberrant glycosylation on tumor or virus infected cell surface



NK cell receptors

KIR: killer inhibitory receptors and their ligand



Antibody-dependent cellular cytotoxicity (ADCC)



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Natural Killer T cells = NKT

- 0,2% of the peripheral T cells
- Positive selection in the thymus on self phospholipid antigens
- Antigen recognition: microbial phospholipids and glycolipids, presented by the non-polymorphic CD1d
- Markers: invariant αβ TcR (iVα24-Jα18) with limited specificity, CD4 or DN or CD8αα + NK markers: NK1.1, CD56, CD16, CD161 (NKRP1)
- Function: fast cytokine production: IL-4, IFNγ, IL-10, IL-13, IL-17, IL- 21 TNFα

	Va14 NK I	Conventional I
TCR	invariant $V\alpha 14$	heterogenous TCR
Ligand	α-GalCer	peptides
МНС	monomorphic CD1d	polymorphic MHC
Major tissues	Liver, Spleen Bone marrow	Thymus, Spleen Lymph nodes
Development	GM-CSFR	no GM-CSFR

Natural Killer T cells = NKT





Bacterial lipid antigen presentation by CD1





Mucosa-associated invariant T cells (MAIT)



- 1. MAIT cells arise from the thymus and are present predominantly in the gastrointestinal tract and associated organs such as MLNs and the liver.
- 2. In periphery by encountering the commensal flora, MAIT cells expand and acquire a memory phenotype.
- 3. They have antimicrobial function and help fight off bacterial infection by responding to infected cells and producing cytokines → Role in intestinal homeostasis.....
- 4. Innate sensors of infection as they accumulate early in infected tissues

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- MAIT cells recognize MR1 and the associated microbial ligands on resident APCs, such as macrophages, dendritic cells or B cells, or directly on intestinal epithelial cells.
- In the absence of inflammation, MAIT cells participate in the control of the commensal flora or food-borne antigens by modulating APC function, or by regulating epithelial cell homeostasis and secretion of antimicrobial molecules.
- In case of bacterial invasion, however, the provision of the MR1-bound ligands to infected epithelial cells or APCs, in an inflammatory context (production of IL-18, IL-12 or IL-23, for which MAIT cells have receptors) induce production of IFN-γ by MAIT cells to prevent intracellular bacterial replication.
- Under certain conditions, MAIT cells can also secrete granzymes and other cytotoxic molecules to kill potential target cells, or IL-17 to activate innate immune cells such as neutrophils.

The time-kinetic of the immune response against viruses



Role of type I interferons



T_H –cell mediated macrophage activation

Delayed type hypersensitivity = DTH

Immuneresponses against intravesicular microorganisms

I. Sensitization:



II. Effector phase



Prolonged DTH – granuloma formation







Miliaris tuberculosis

Prolonged DTH – granuloma formation





TABLE 14-3INTRACELLULARPATHOGENS AND CONTACT ANTIGENSTHAT INDUCE DELAYED-TYPEHYPERSENSITIVITY

Intracellular bacteria Mycobacterium tuberculosis Mycobacterium leprae Listeria monocytogenes Brucella abortus Intracellular fungi Pneumocystis carinii Candida albicans Histoplasma capsulatum Cryptococcus neoformans Intracellular parasites Leishmania sp.

Intracellular viruses Herpes simplex virus Variola (smallpox) Measles virus Contact antigens Picrylchloride Hair dyes Nickel salts Poison ivy Poison oak

Effect of contact antigens

