

# Basic Immunology

## *Lecture 7<sup>th</sup>*

**Communication between cellular components of the immune system.**

**Co-receptors and adhesion molecules.**

# Mediators of cell-cell interactions: „cross-talk”

- **Direct interaction:** adhesion molecules
- **Soluble mediators:** cytokines, chemokines, interleukins, interferons, growth factors

## Where?

- **Haematopoiesis:** adhesion between stroma cell – differentiating leukocytes
- **Lymphocyte recirculation:** adhesion between endothel – circulating leukocytes
- **Immune response:** T cell - APC/B cell interactions, cytotoxic reactions

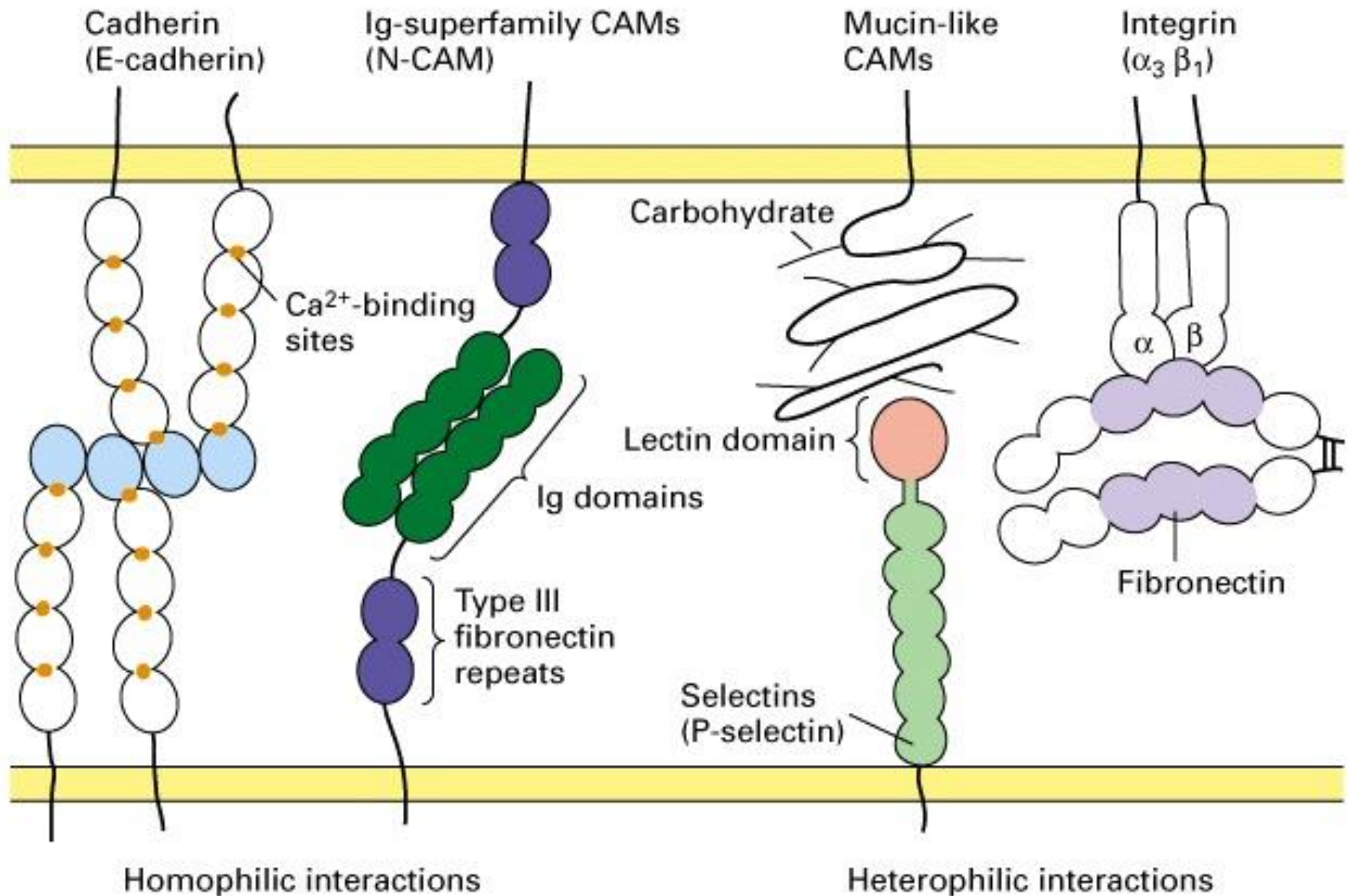


# Adhesion molecules

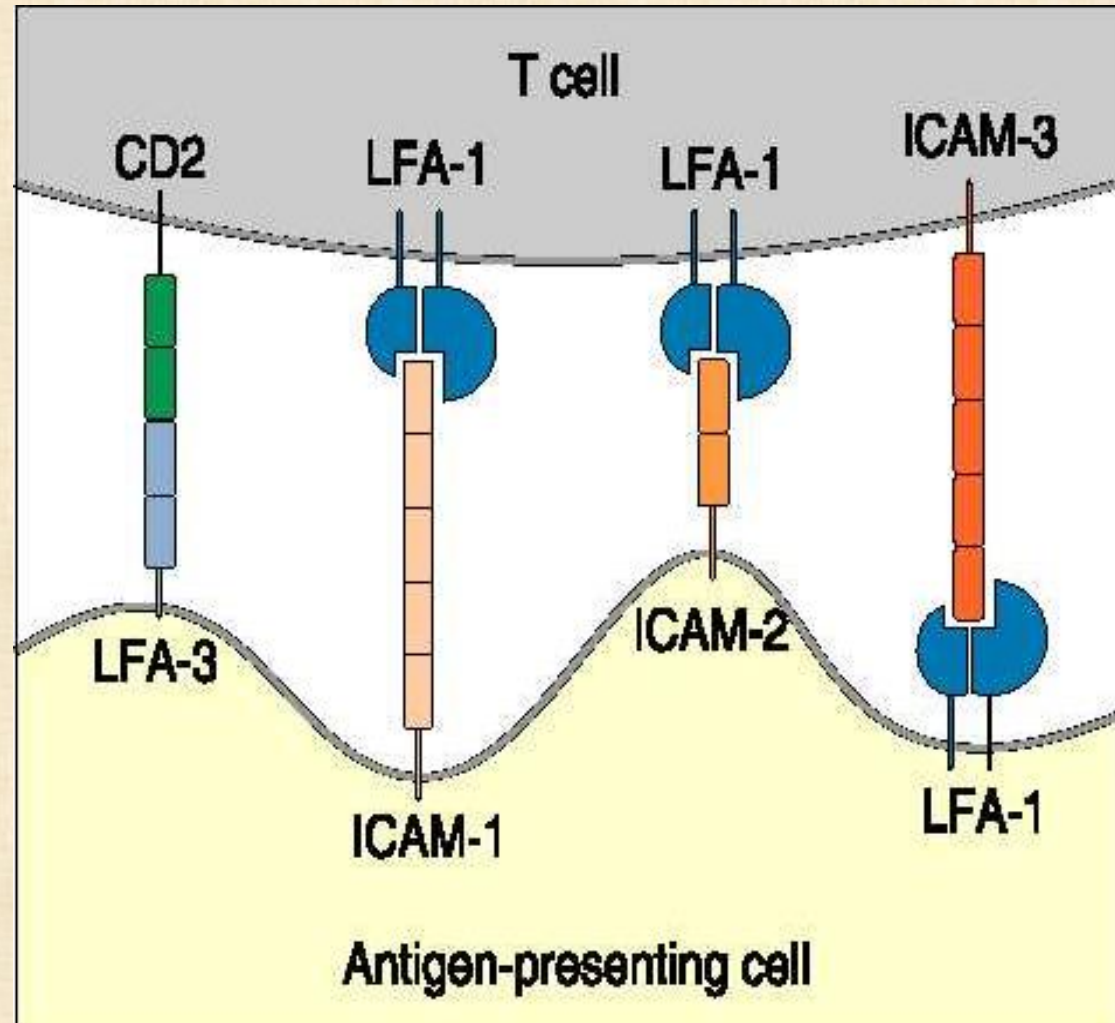
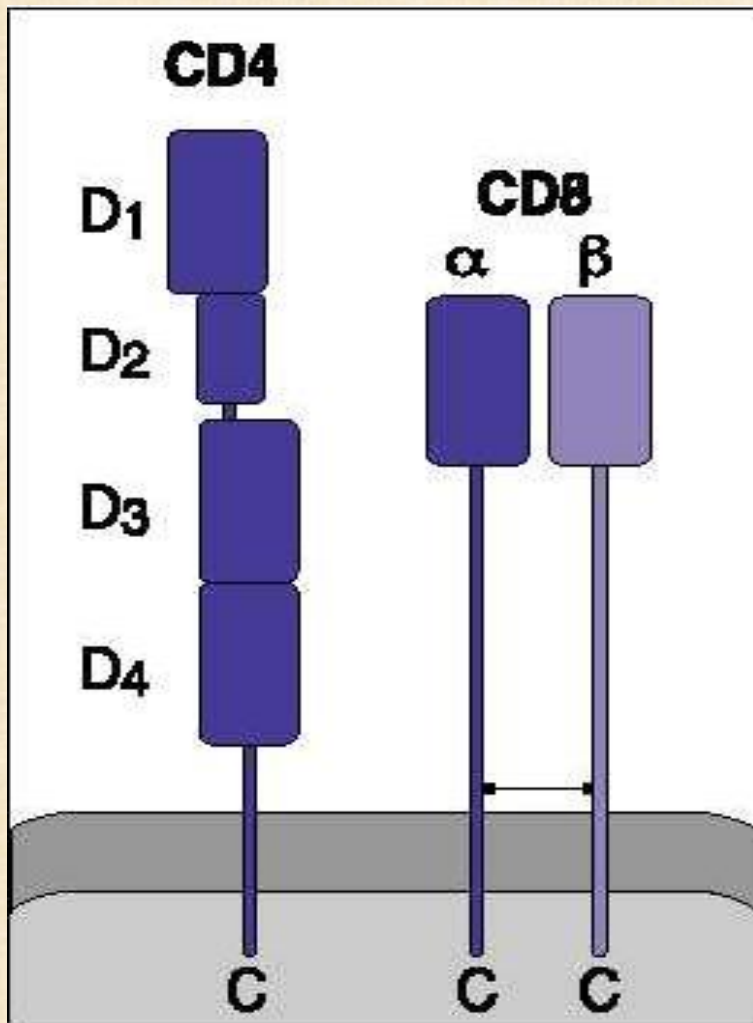
Cell surface molecules whose function is to promote adhesive interactions with other cells or the extracellular matrix and initiate signal transduction.

Leukocytes express various types of adhesion molecules, such as *selectins*, *integrins*, and members of the *Ig superfamily*, and these molecules play crucial role in cell migration and cellular activation both in innate and adaptive immune response.

# Cell adhesion molecules



# Accessory molecules on T cells

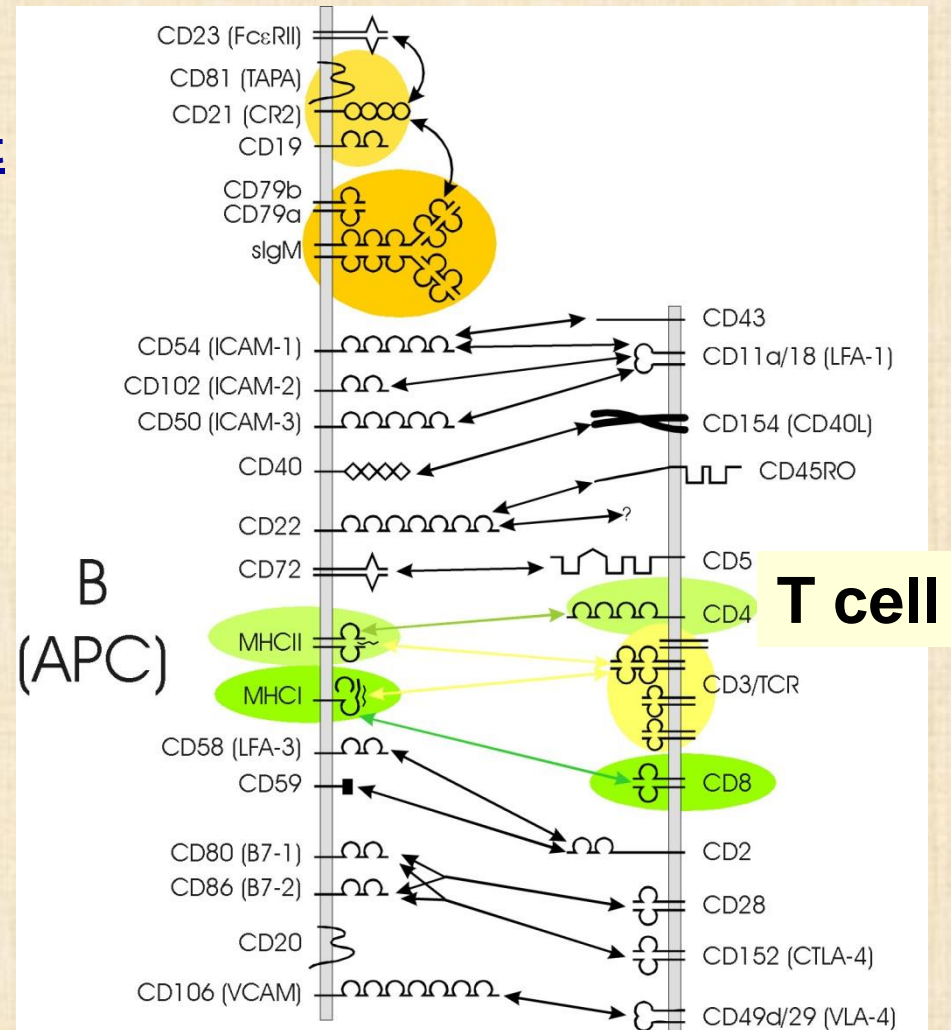




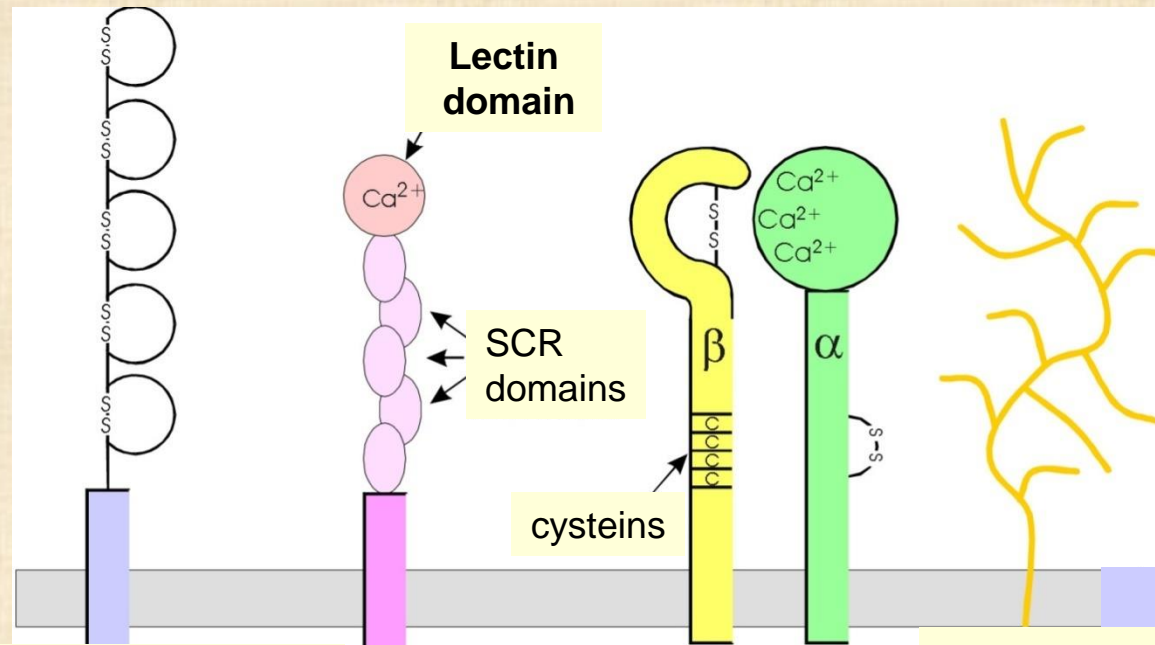
# Family of accessory molecules, adhesion molecules, co-receptors

## Common characteristics:

1. Molecules, responsible for the direct interaction of the immune cells
2. Their interaction is not antigen-specific
2. Low-affinity, reversible association
4. Increase the antigen-specific interaction
5. *Co-receptors*: - signaling function
6. *Co-stimulatory* molecules: help cell activation
7. Non-polymorphic



# Families of adhesion molecules



**Ig-superfamily members**

**Selectins**

**Integrins**

**Mucin-like molecules**

**„other”  
accessory  
molecules**

CD2

CD4

CD8

B7

CD28

CTLA 4

ICAM

L selectin

E selectin

P selectin

VLA

LFA

Mac1

„vascular  
addressins”

CD45

CD44

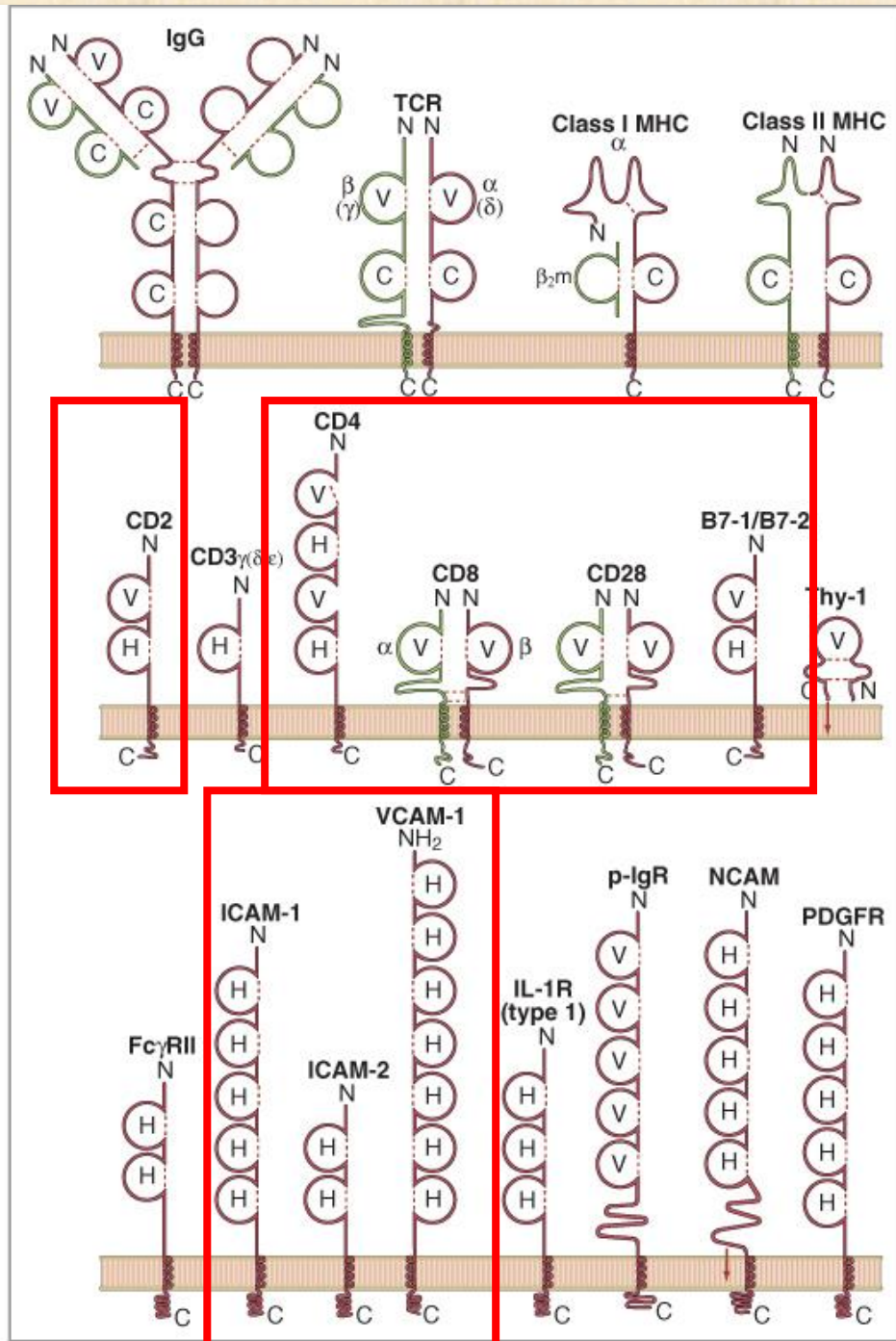
CD40, CD40L

CD19/CD21/CD81

CD22



# Immunoglobulin-superfamily members





# Ig-superfamily members

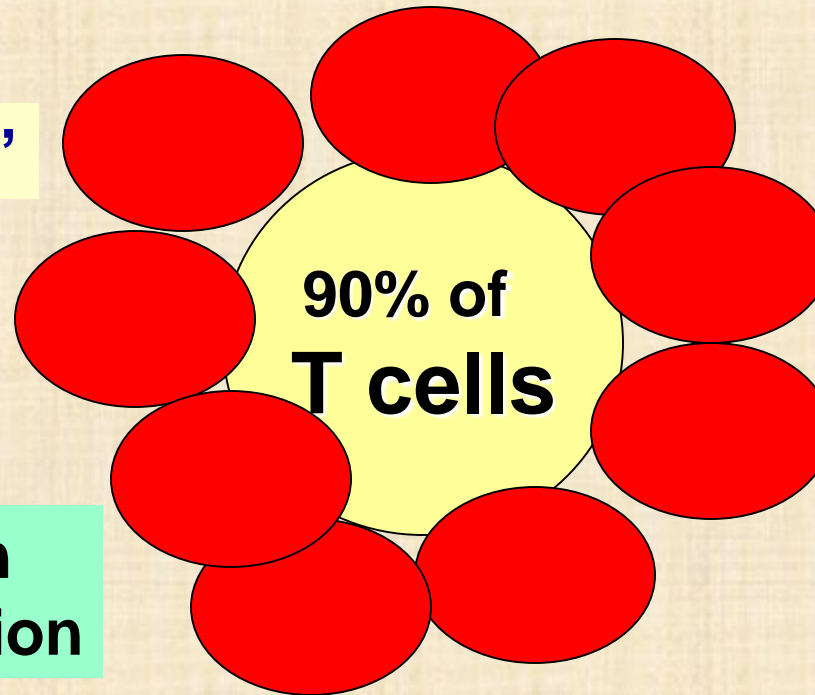
## CD2

„sheep red-blood cell receptor”

**Binds CD58**

**(LFA3)**

**„T cell rosette”**



**Adhesion  
Cell activation**

**T cell activation, CTL- and NK-mediated lysis**

# CD4 and CD8:

extracellular domain: binding to MHC constant domain

intracellular domain: signal transduction, binding kinases

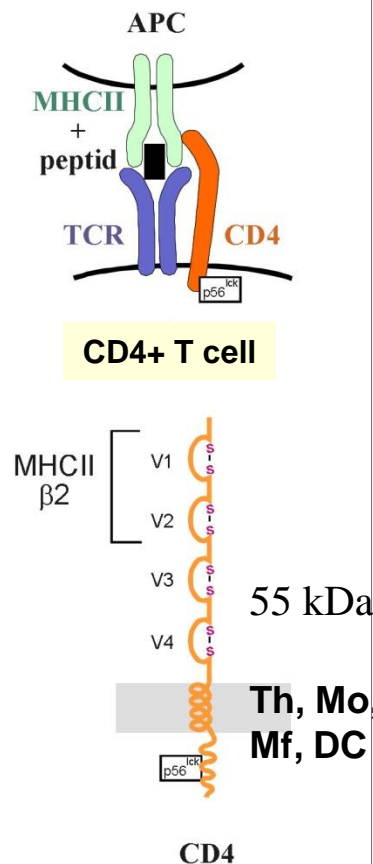
## Differentiation markers CD4 - MHCII

At different stages of T cell maturation

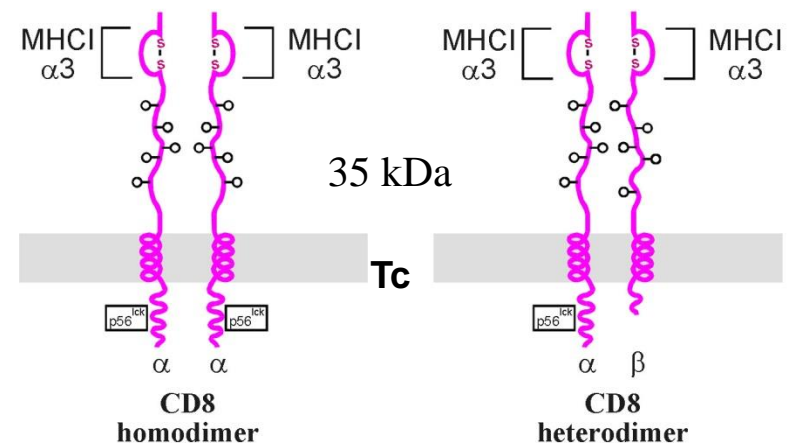
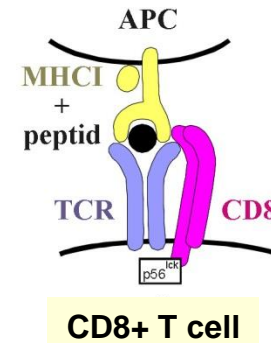
CD4 and CD8 together  
„double positive”  
in thymus

At the periphery:  
„single positive”  
T helper: CD4  
T cytotoxic: CD8

CD4 - HIV-receptor as well



## CD8 - MHCI



# B7 (CD80, CD86), CD28 and CTLA-4 molecules

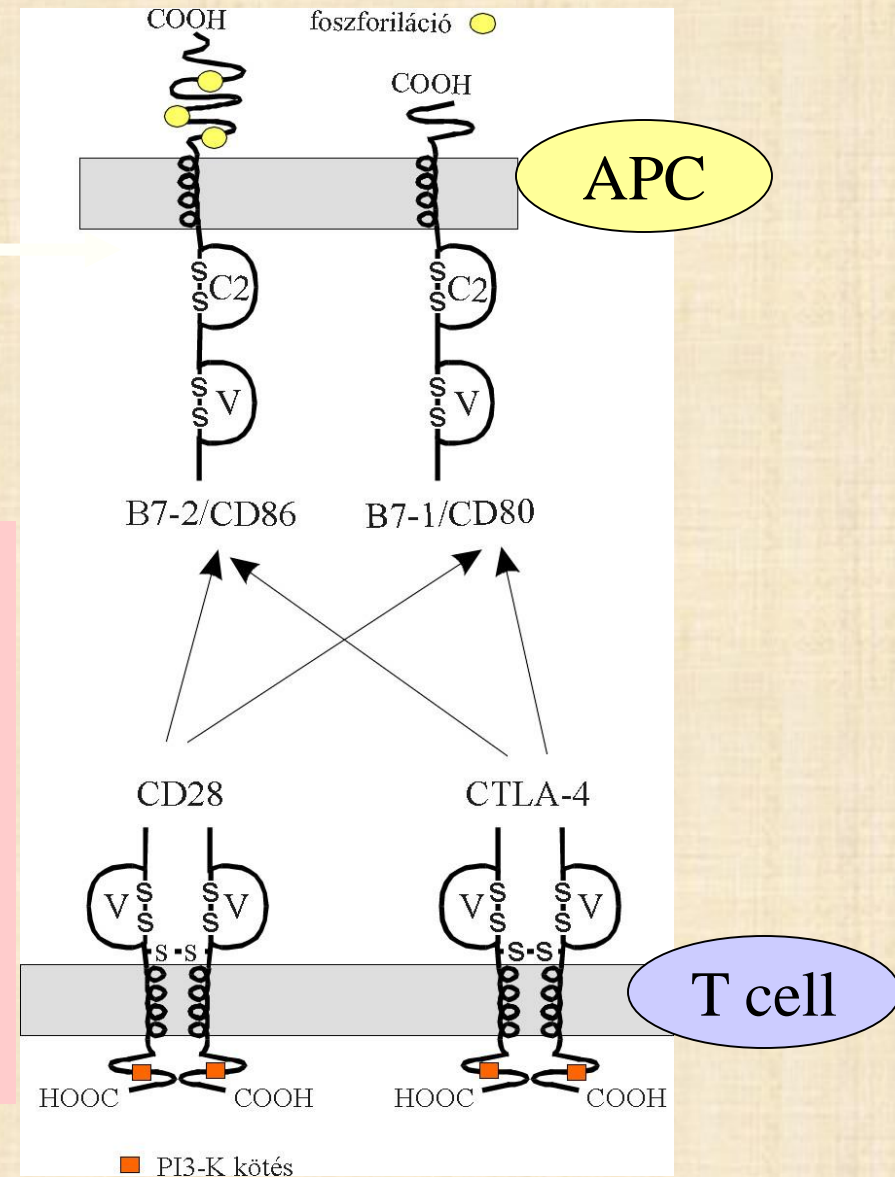
CD28 and CTLA-4 of T cells bind to the **B7-1** (CD80), **B7-2** (CD86) molecules of the APC

**CD28:** - co-stimulatory molecule in T cell activation

- Increases IL-2 and IL-2R expression,
- Induces T cell proliferation

**CTLA-4 (CD152):** - expressed in a later phase of the T cell activation

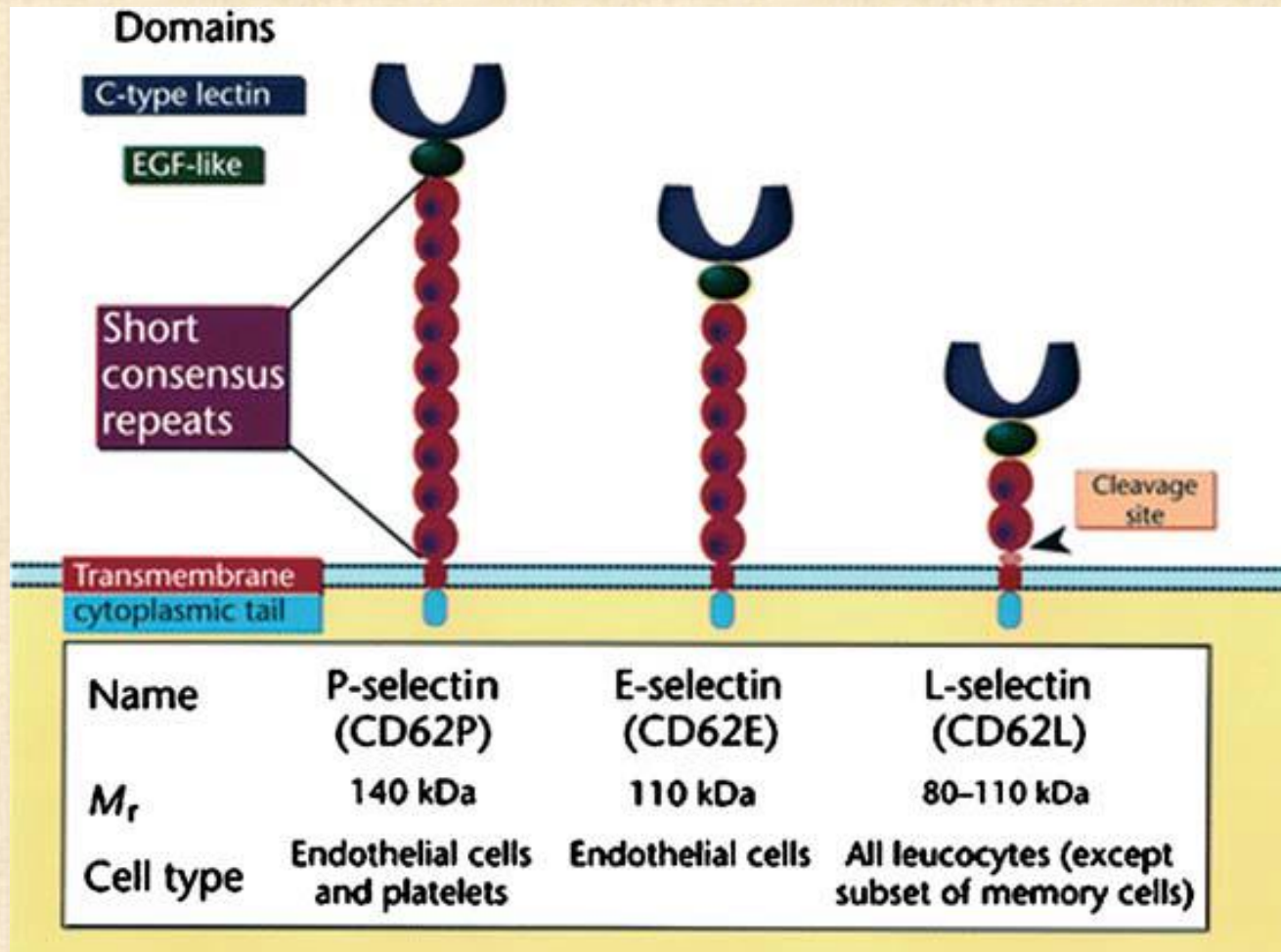
- inhibitory function



**CTLA:** Cytolytic T lymphocyte associated Antigen



# Selectins

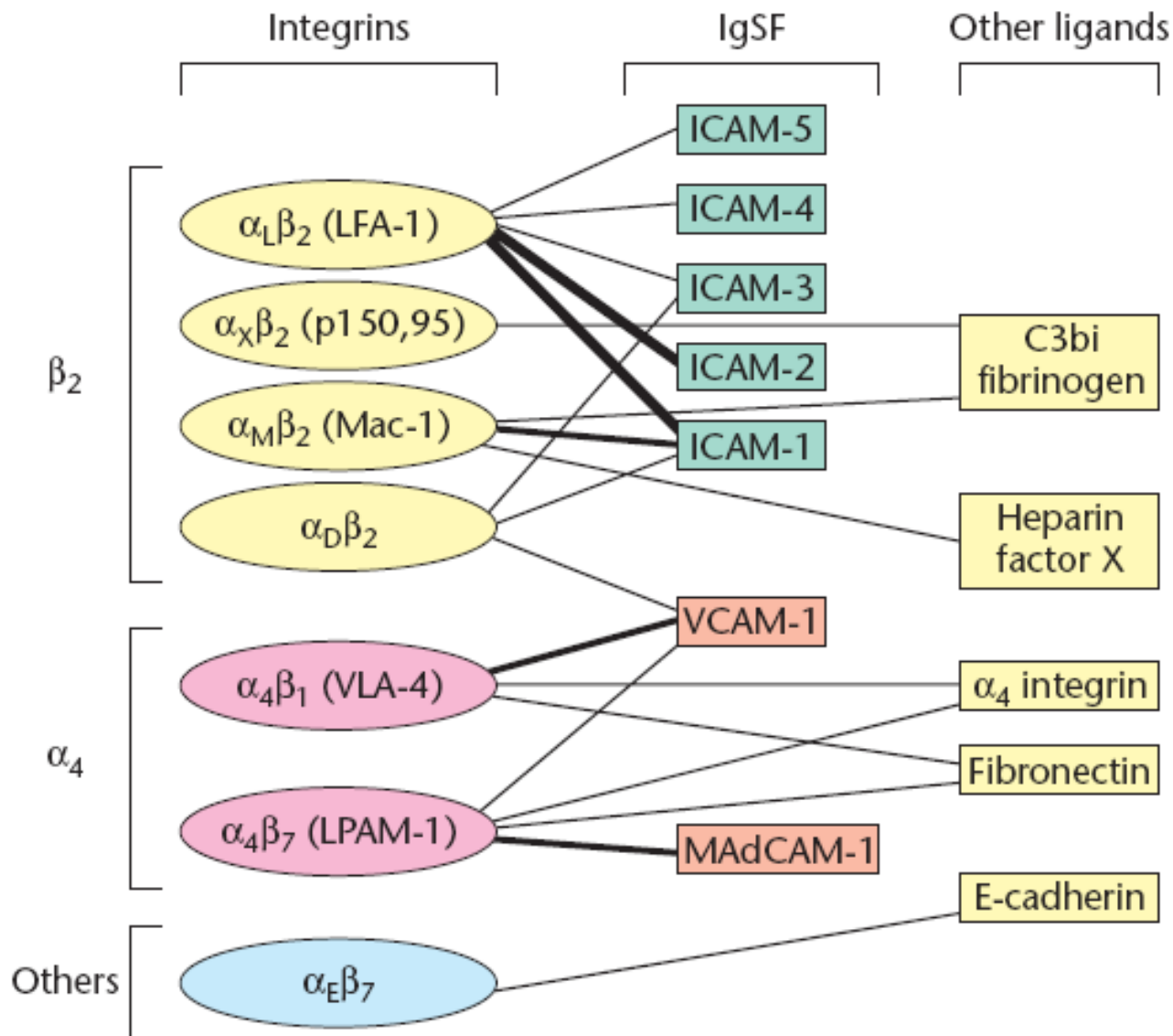


**L-Selektin:** Myeloid Zellen, naive und Gedächtnis T- Lymphozyten

**E-Selektin:** Hautgefäße, entzündete Gefäße

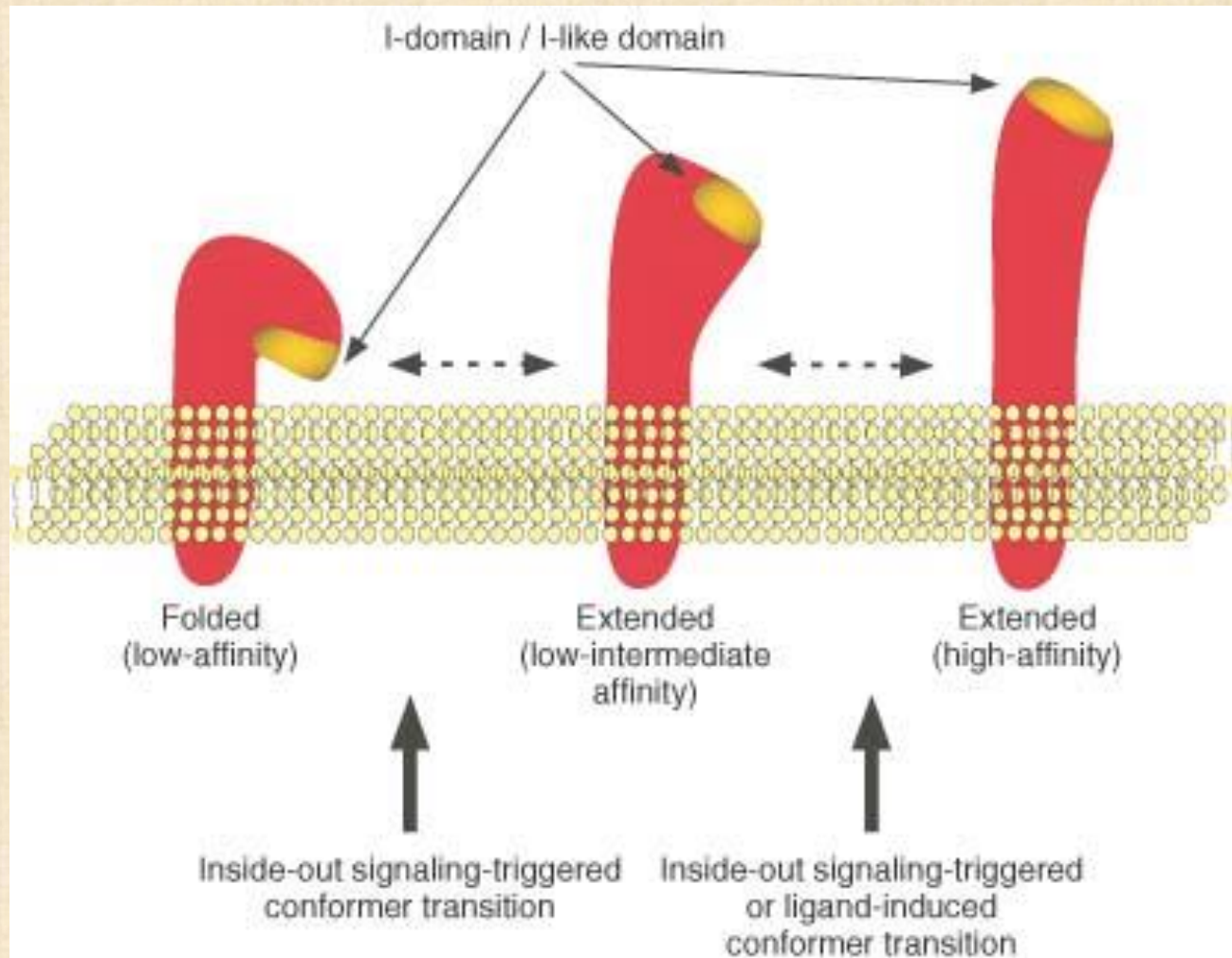
**P-Selektin:** Endothelien, Thrombozyten

# Integrins



# Activation of integrins

- Lymphocyte **F**unction-associated **A**ntigen
- Inter **C**ellular **A**dhesion **M**olecule





# „OTHER” accessory molecules

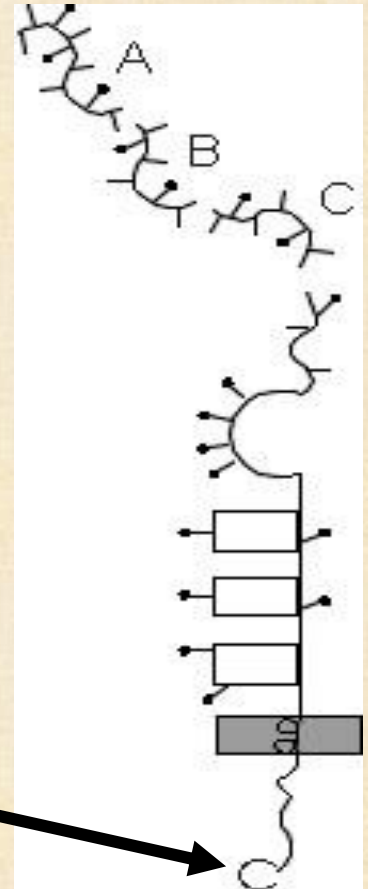
## CD45

***Expressed on every leukocyte***  
***“pan-leukocyte marker”***

- Highly glycosylated,
- More isoforms (180, 190, 200, 205, 220 kDa)
- alternative splicing

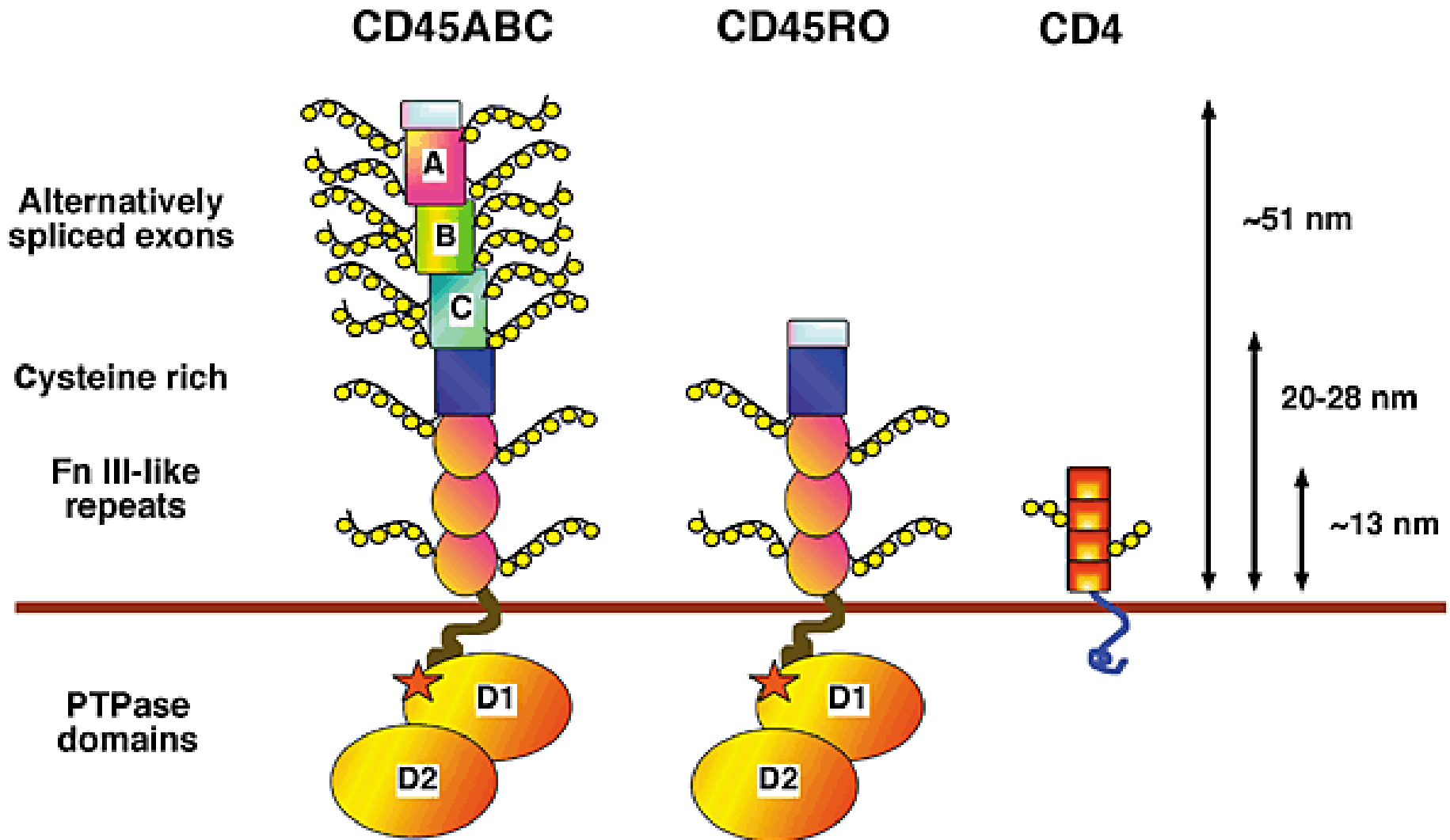
Plays important role in cell activation and in regulation of signal transduction

- ***tyrosine-phosphatase domain:***  
***dephosphorylation***

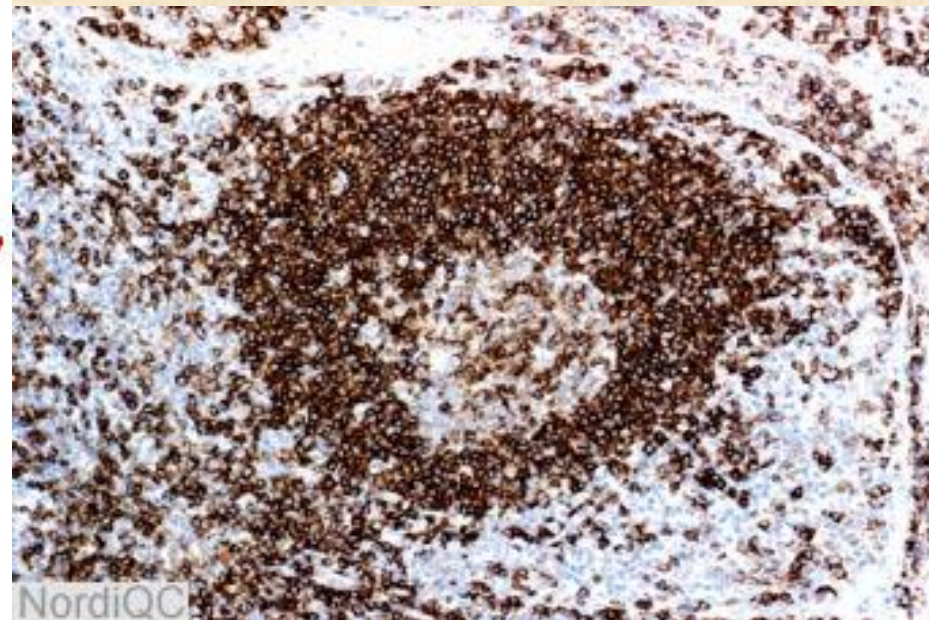
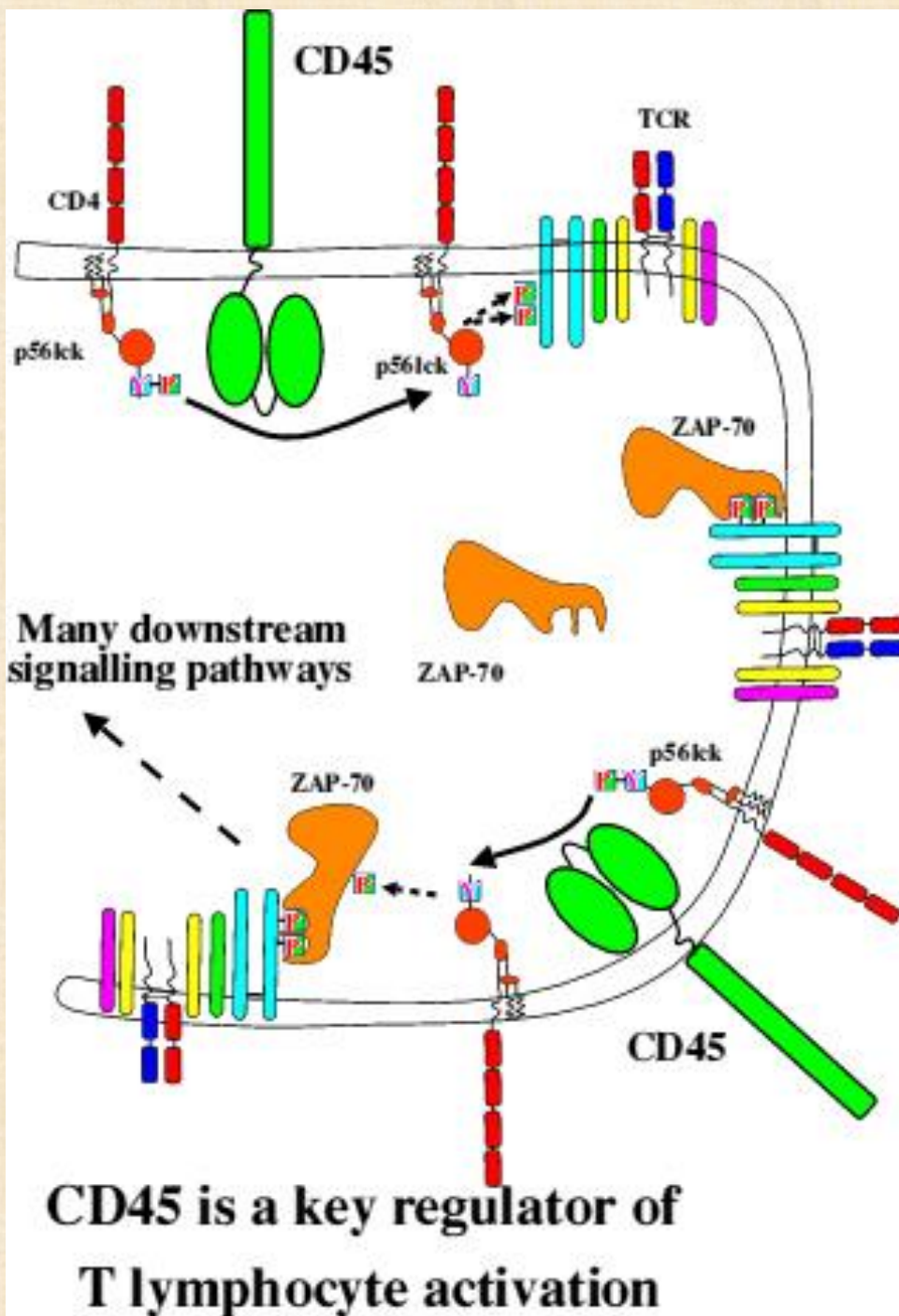


**CD45**

# CD45 isoforms



# CD45





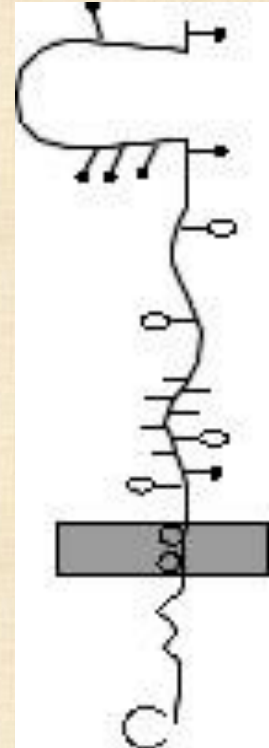
# „OTHER” accessory molecules

## CD44

Expressed on activated and memory T- and B-cells, phagocytes, fibroblasts, neuronal cells

More isoforms - *alternative splicing*

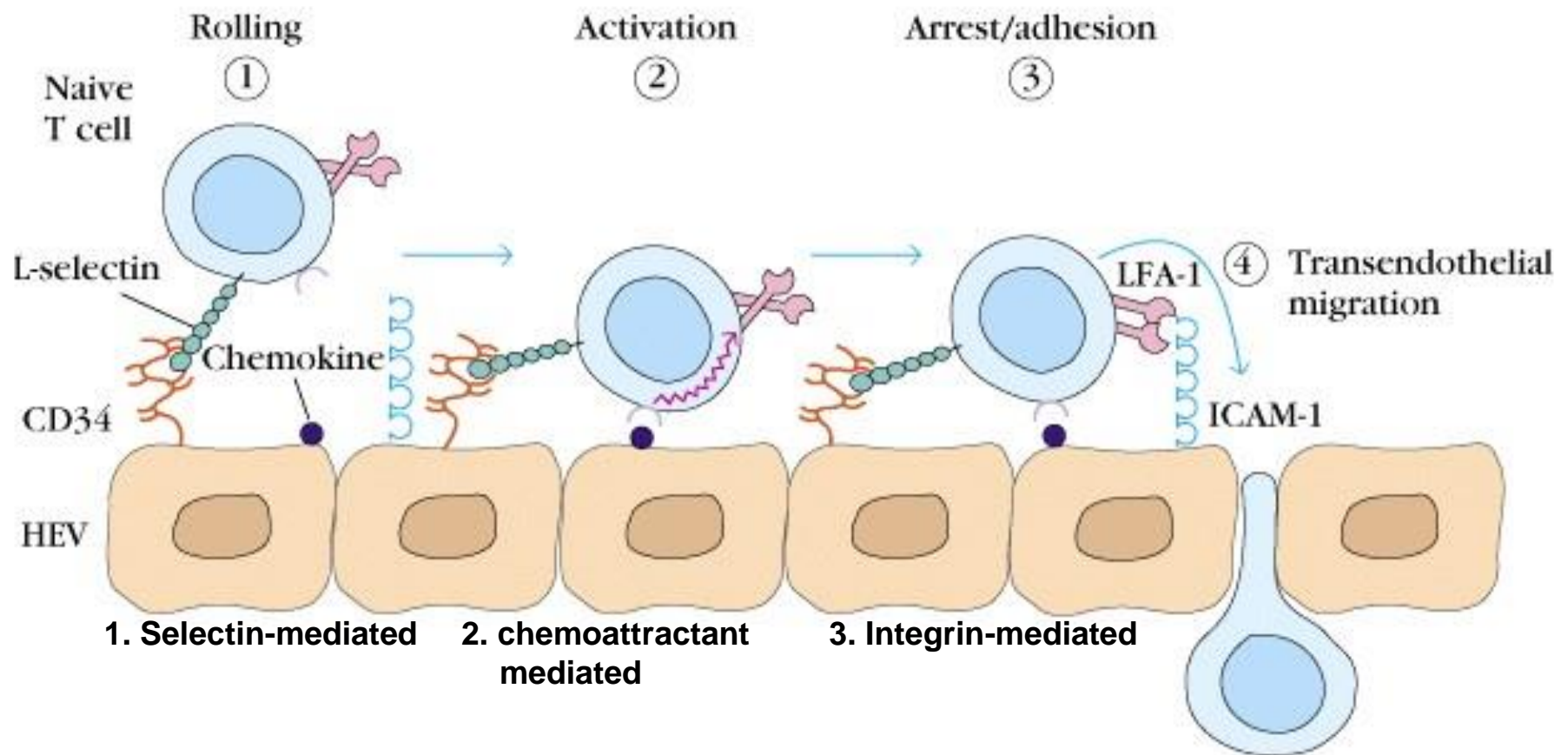
Important in „homing” of leukocytes



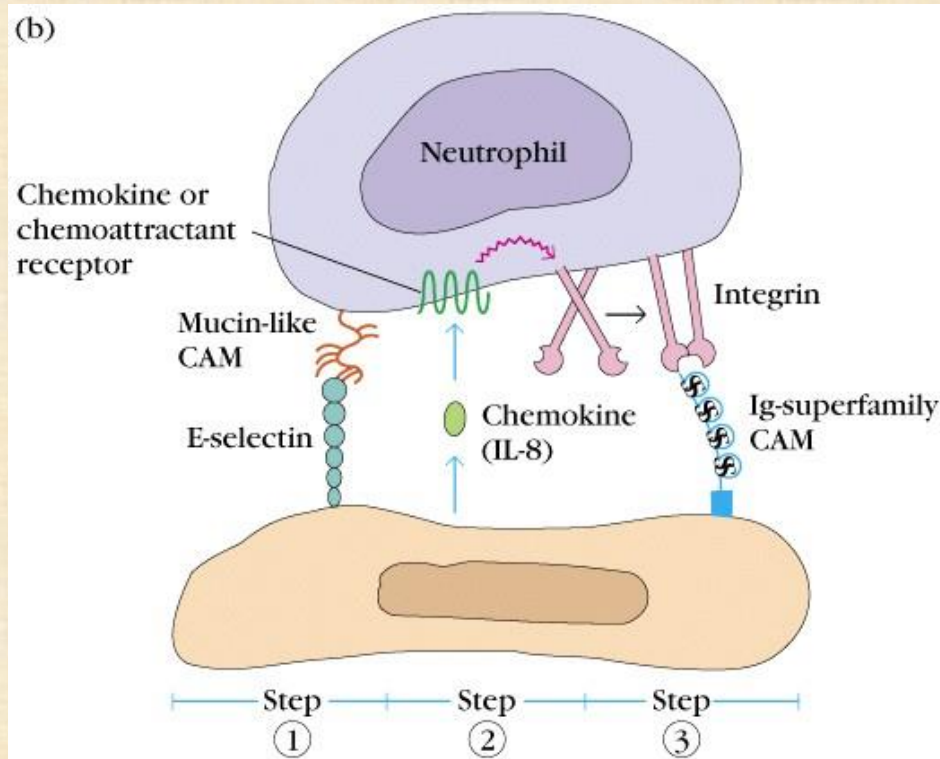
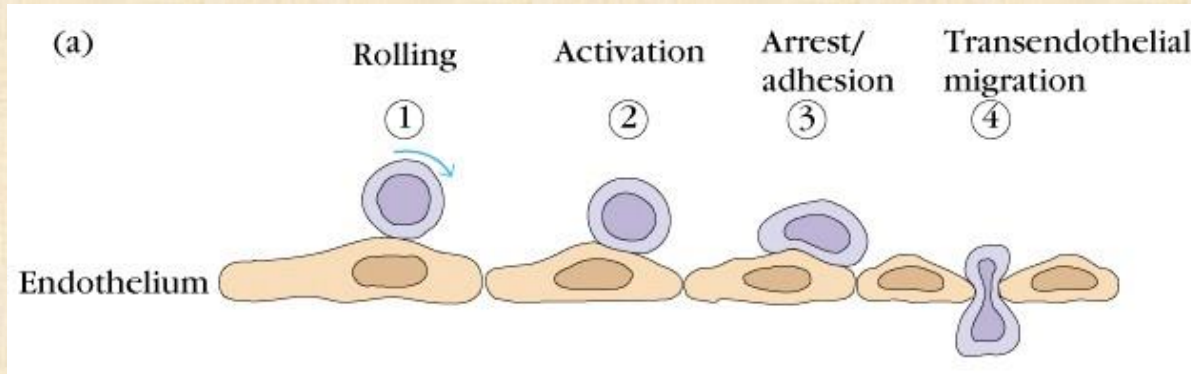
CD44

# Naive lymphocytes migrating to the peripheral lymphatic tissues:

The role of the high endothelial venules (HEV), and the adhesion molecules:

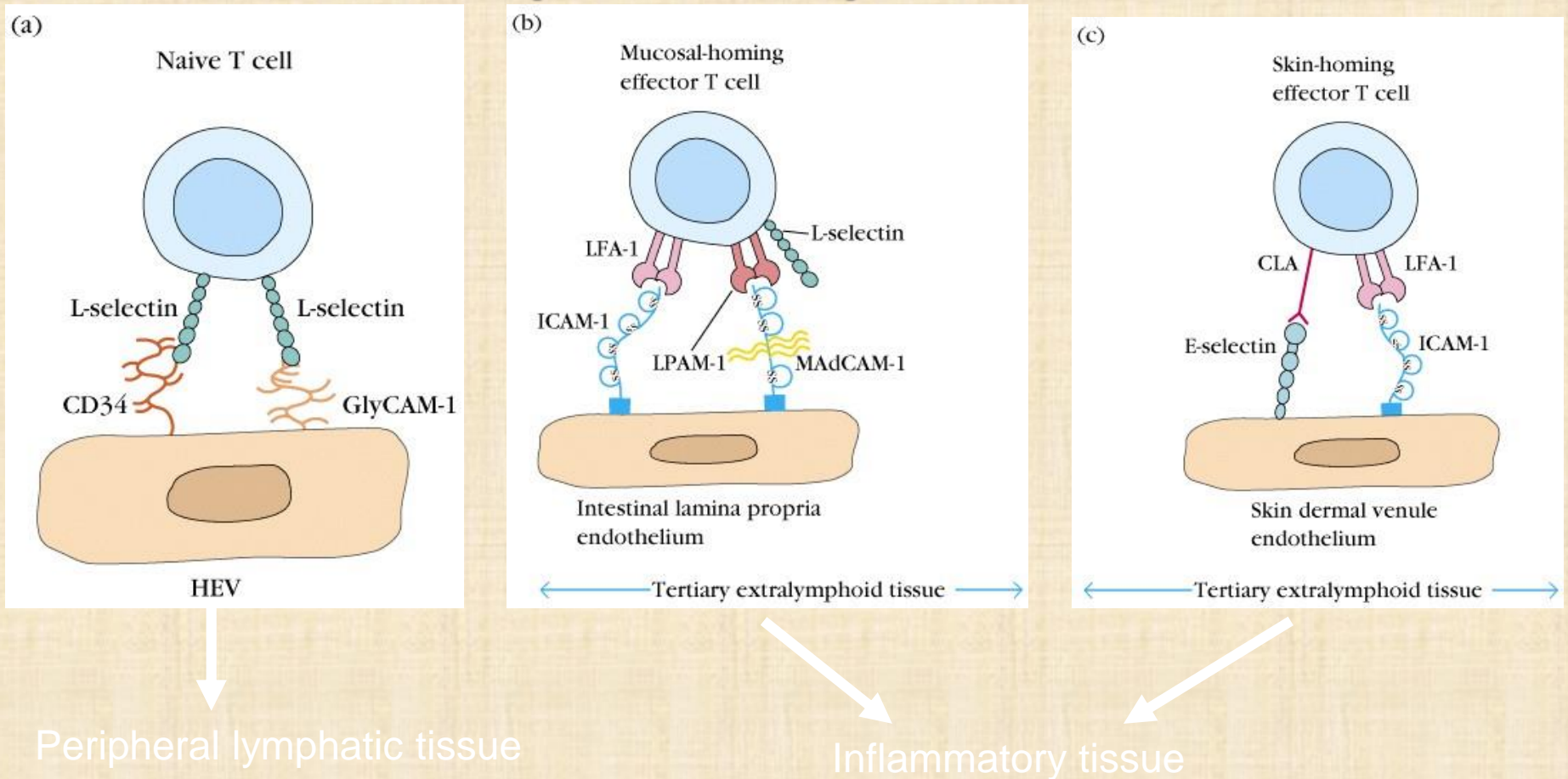


# Migration of neutrophil granulocytes to the inflamed tissues through the endothel





# Different adhesion molecules determine the migration of naive and memory (effector) cells



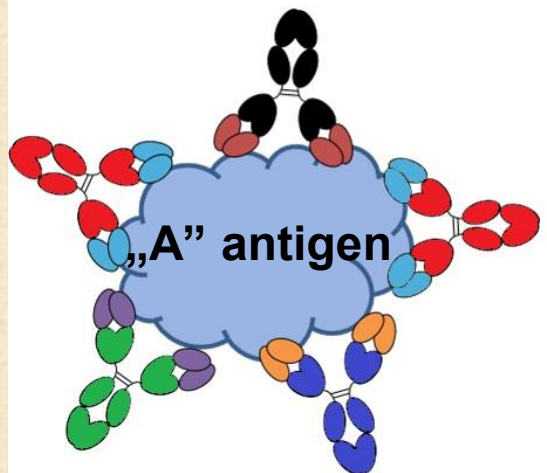
# **Some important accessory molecules**

- **CD4 and CD8**
- **CD28**
- **CD80/86 (B7.1 and B7.2)**
- **CD152 (CTLA4)**
- **CD45RA/RO**
- **CD40/CD154 (CD40 Ligand)**



# Comparison of monoclonal and polyclonal antibodies

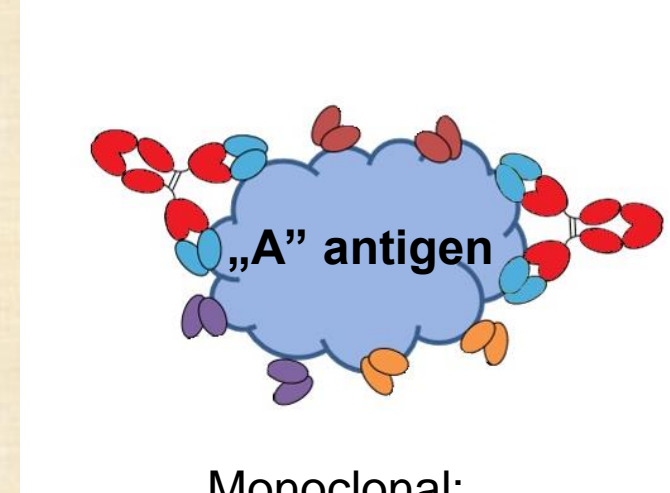
**Polyclonal anti-"A" antibody**



Polyclonal:

- Product of **several B cell clones**
- Recognize **different epitopes** of the target antigen
- Varying specificity and affinity
- (Consider them a mixture of different monoclonal antibodies)

**Monoclonal anti-"A" antibody**

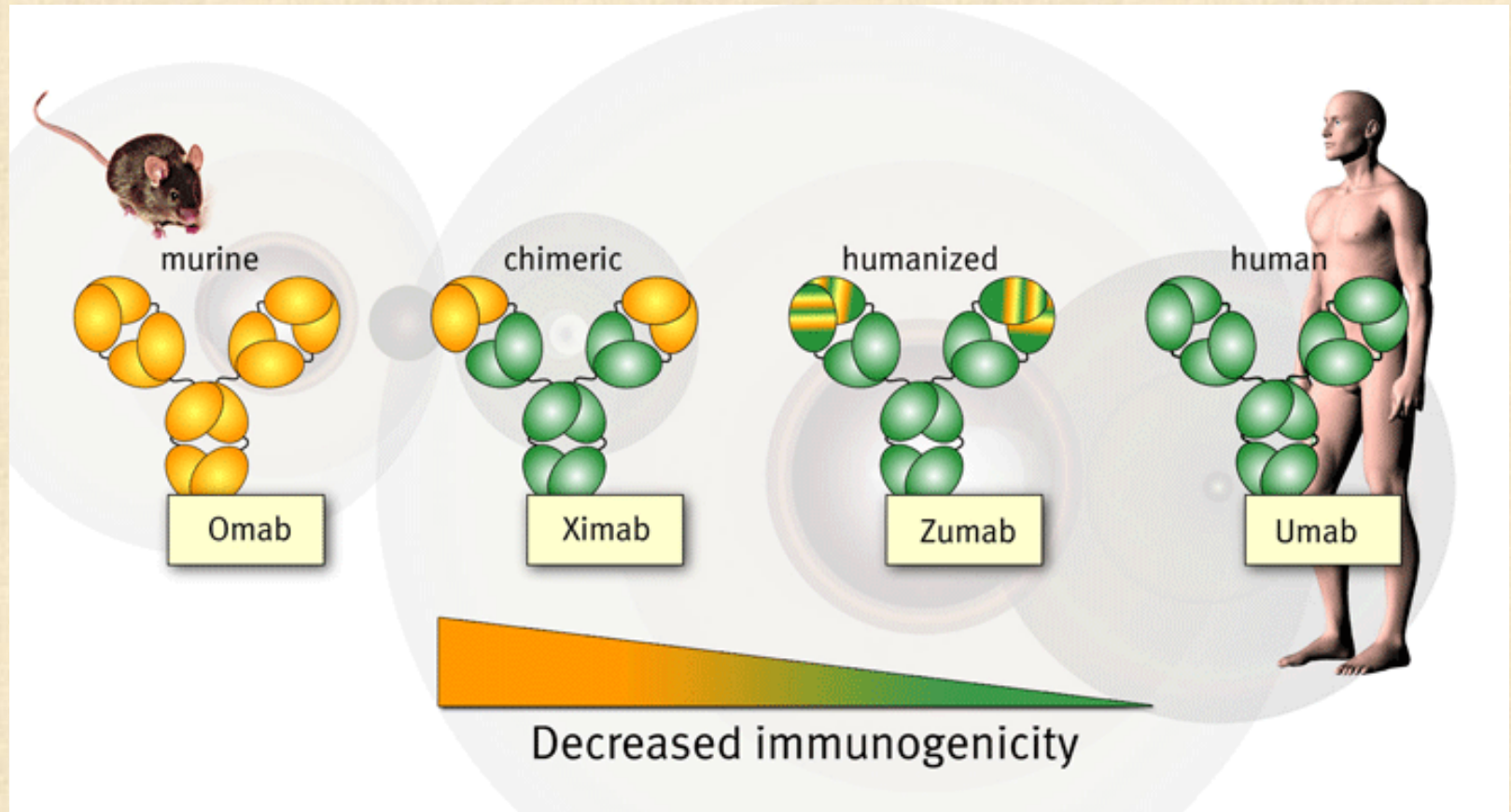


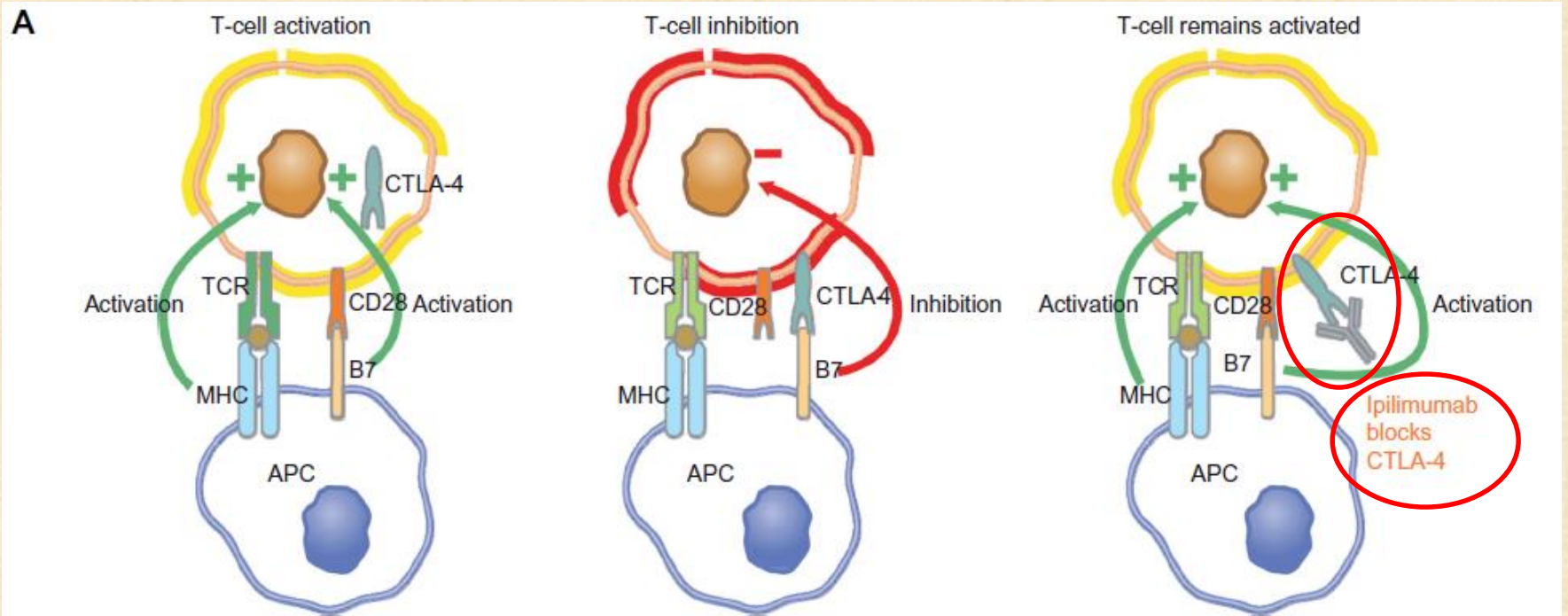
Monoclonal:

- Product of **a single B cell clone**
- Recognize a **single specific epitope** of the antigen
- Antibodies have the **same specificity and affinity**



# Therápiás célokra használt monoklonális ellenanyagok II: nomenklatúra





# Adhesion/co-stimulation, as therapeutic target

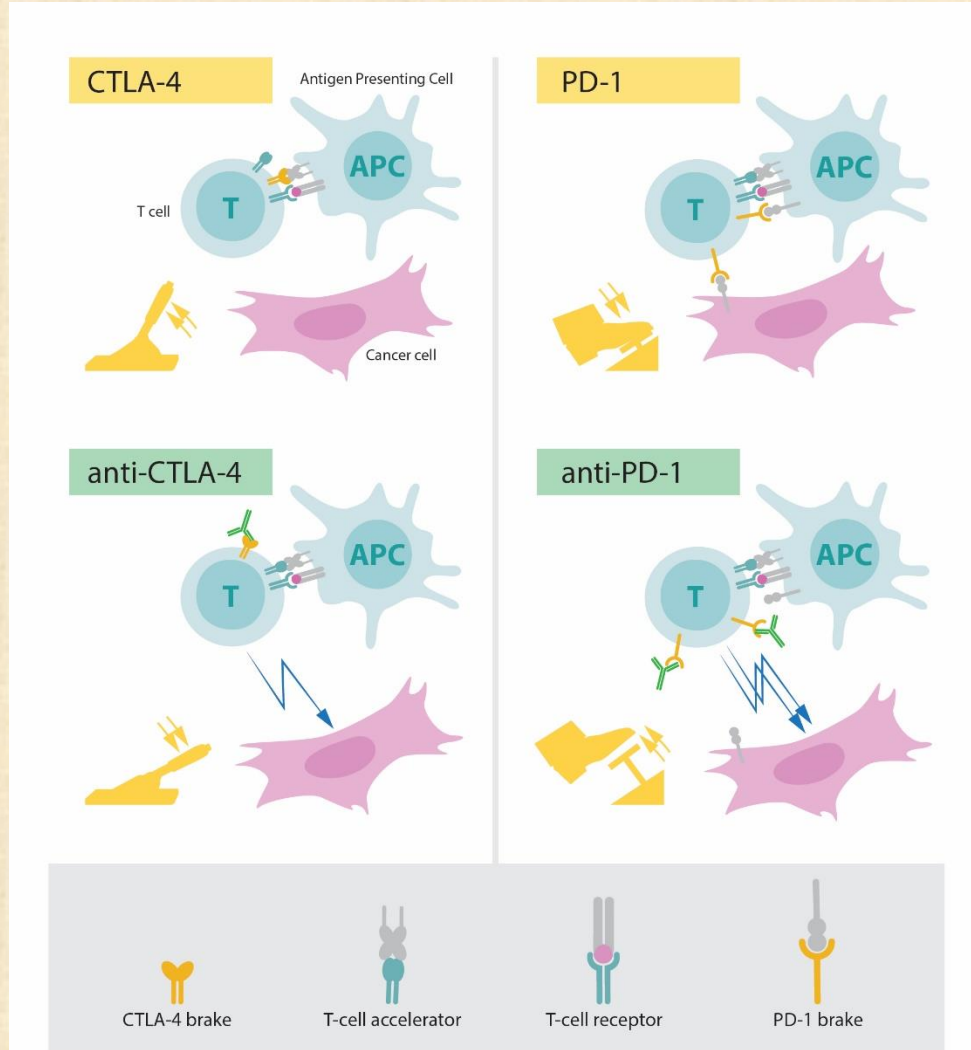
Name	Target	Effect	Application
Anti- $\alpha$ 4 integrin (natalizumab)	$\alpha$ 4 integrin	Inhibition of adhesion	Autoimmunity (SM, Morbus Crohn)
CTLA4-Ig (Abatacept)	B7	T-cell inhibition	Autoimmunity (RA)
Anti-CTLA4 (Ipilimumab)	CTLA4	T-cell activation	Tumor (melanom, NSCLC, SCLC)
Anti-PD-1 (Nivolumab)	PD-1	T-cell activation	Tumor (melanom, NSCLC, RCC)



# Nobel Laureates in 2018 for medicine and physiology



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