

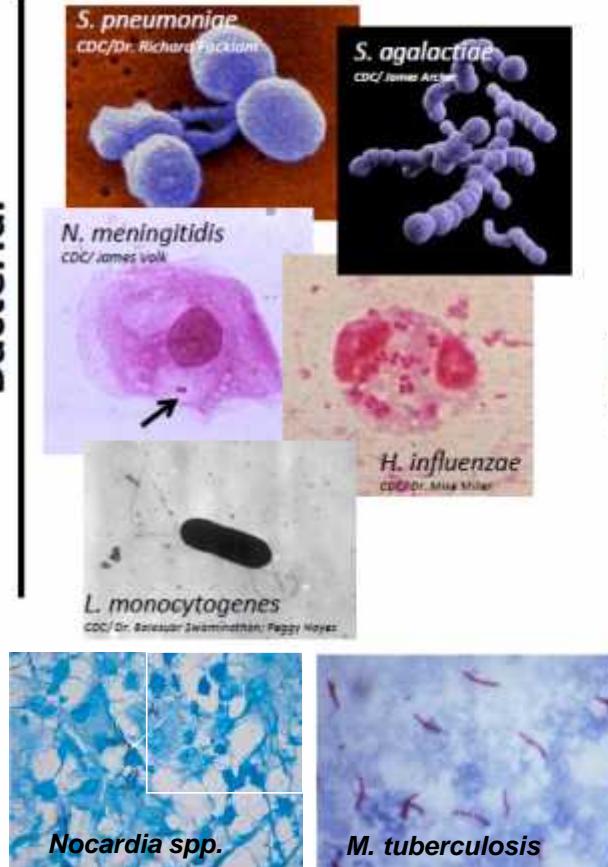
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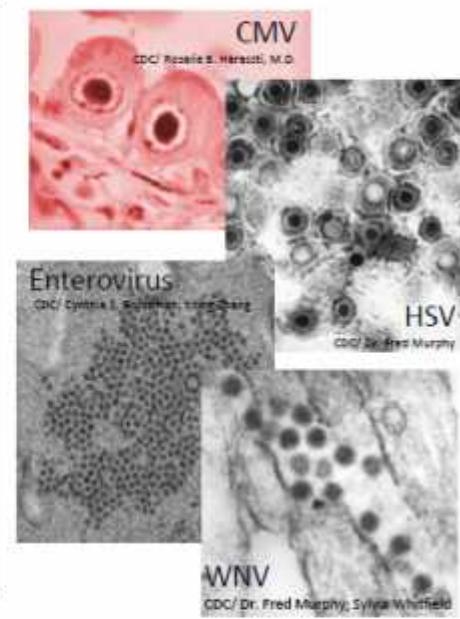
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Microbiological classification of infectious diseases

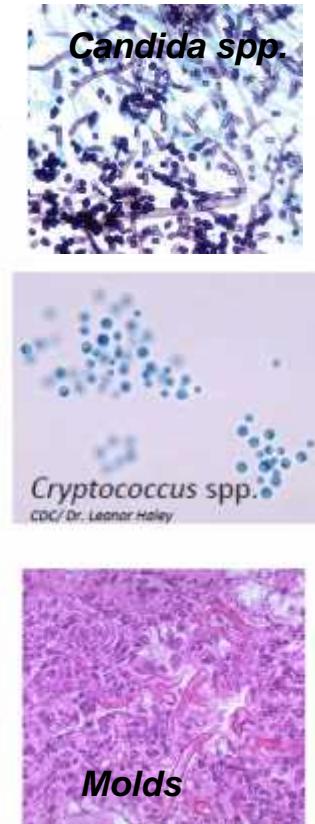
Bacterial



Viral



Fungal



Parasitic





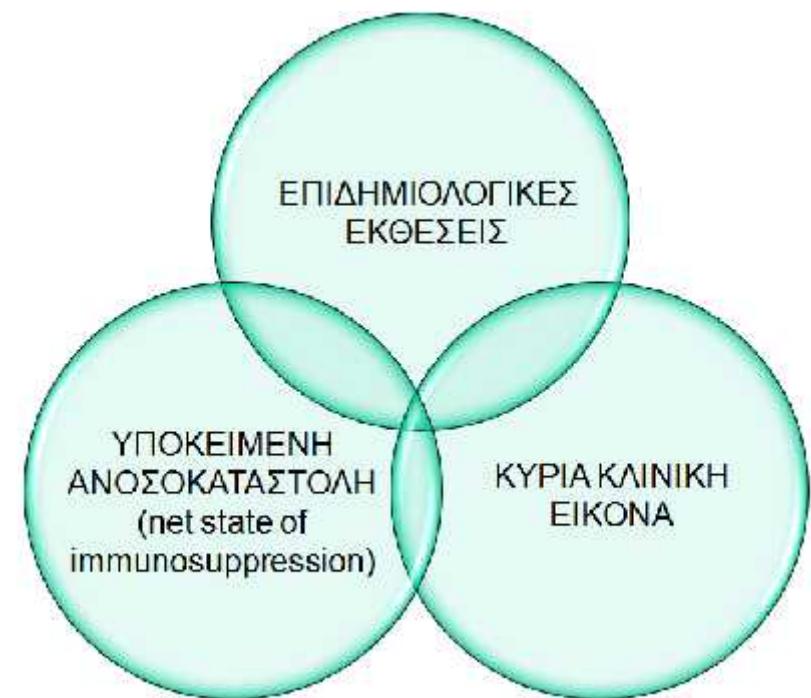
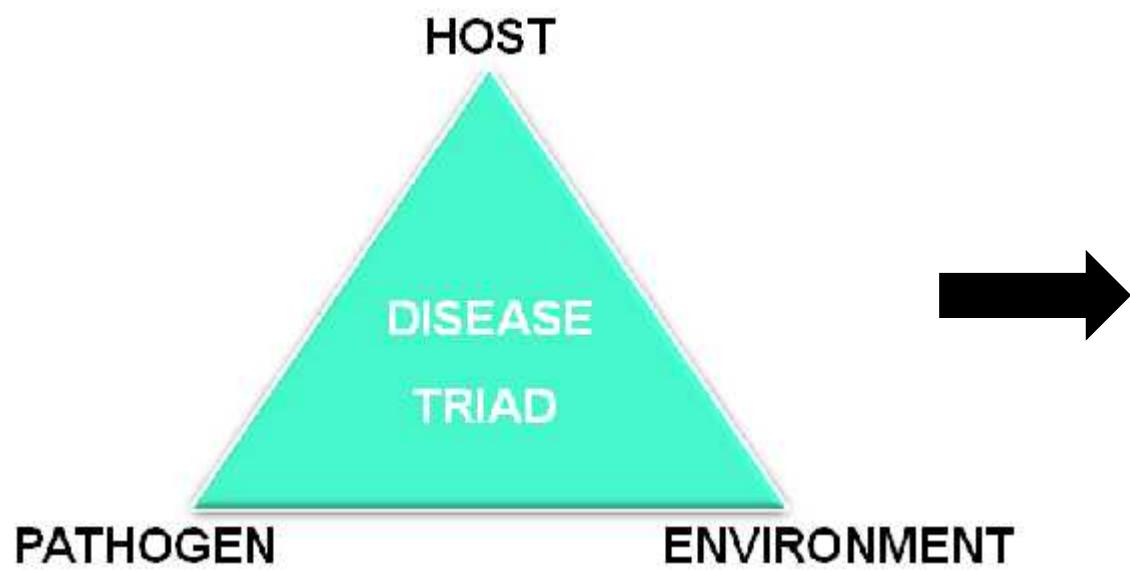
Casadevall A, Pirofski LA *Nature* 2014; 11; 516:165-6

The often harmless fungus *Aspergillus fumigatus* can cause severe pulmonary disease in people with leukaemia.

Ditch the term pathogen

Disease is as much about the host as it is the infectious agent — the focus on microbes is hindering research into treatments, say Arturo Casadevall and Liise-anne Pirofski.

Rationale Diagnostic Approach

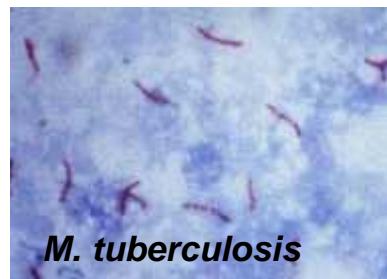


Classification of infectious diseases based on immunopathogenesis

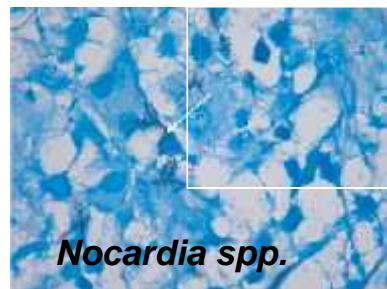
- Acute infections: sepsis syndromes (e.g., pneumonia, UTI), **extracellular** pathogens
- Opportunistic infections (OIs)
 - ✓ Subacute clinical course
 - ✓ **Intracellular** pathogens-granulomatous infections (e.g., *Cryptococcus*, TB, NTMB, parasites)
 - ✓ **Extracellular** pathogens (e.g., *Candida*, molds)
- Mixed (polymicrobial) infections

OIs share common clinical features

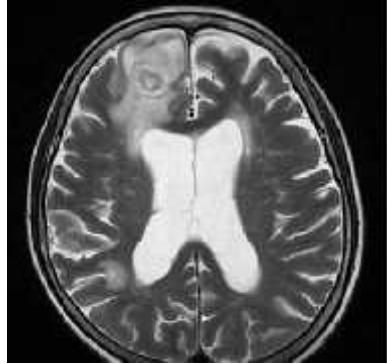
Bacterial



M. tuberculosis



Nocardia spp.



Fungal (+ Endemic fungi)



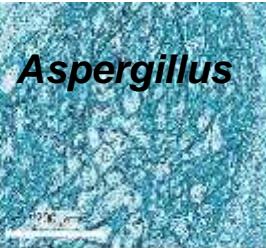
Aspergillus



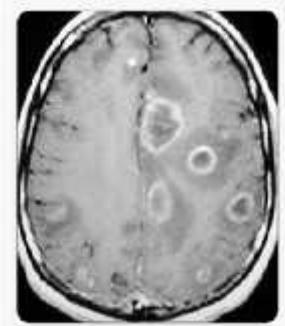
Mucorales



Candida

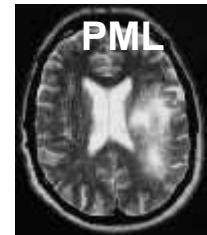


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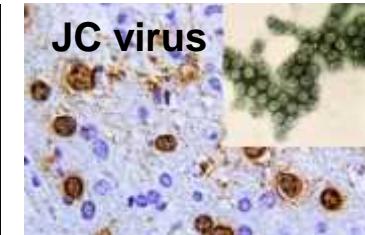


Toxoplasma

Viral

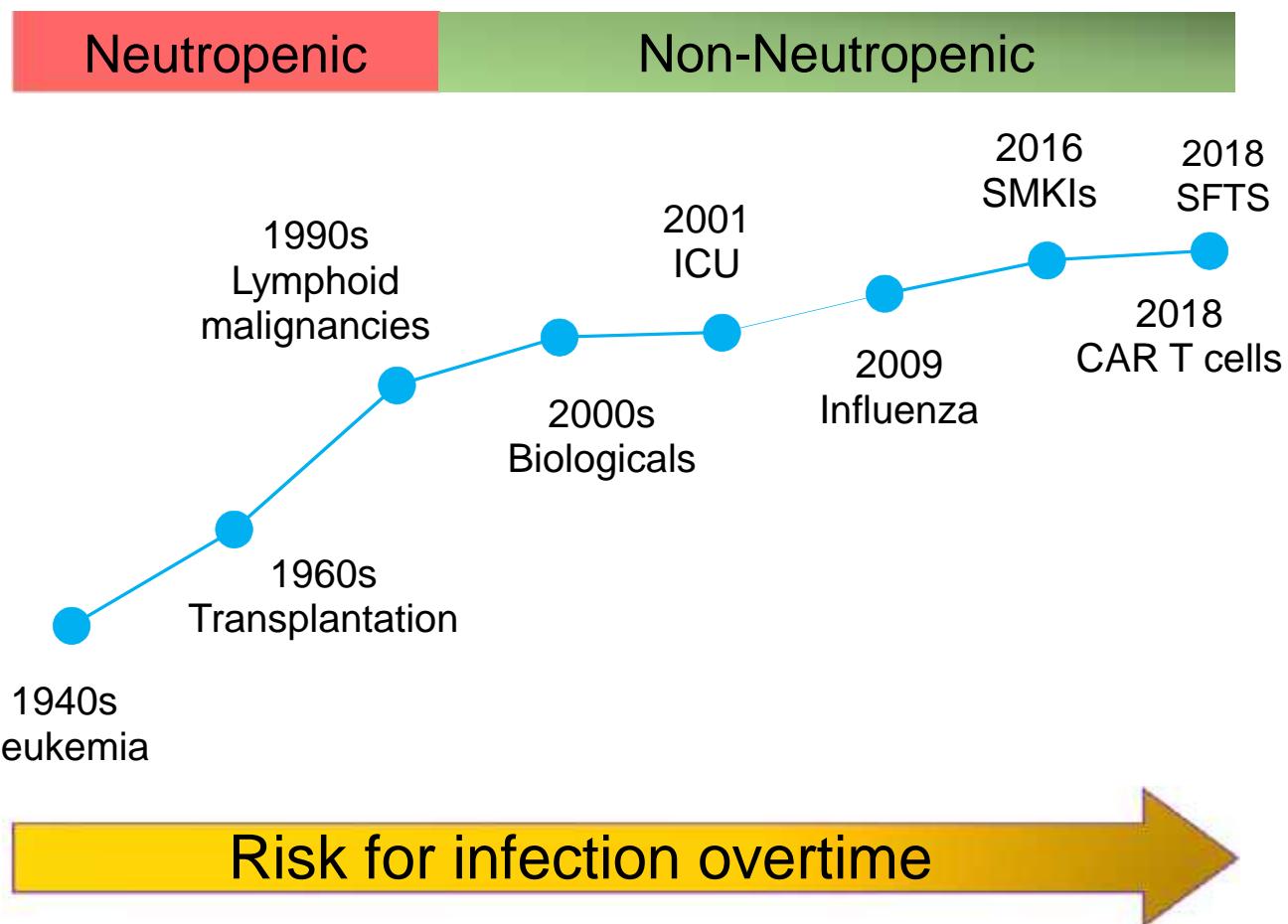


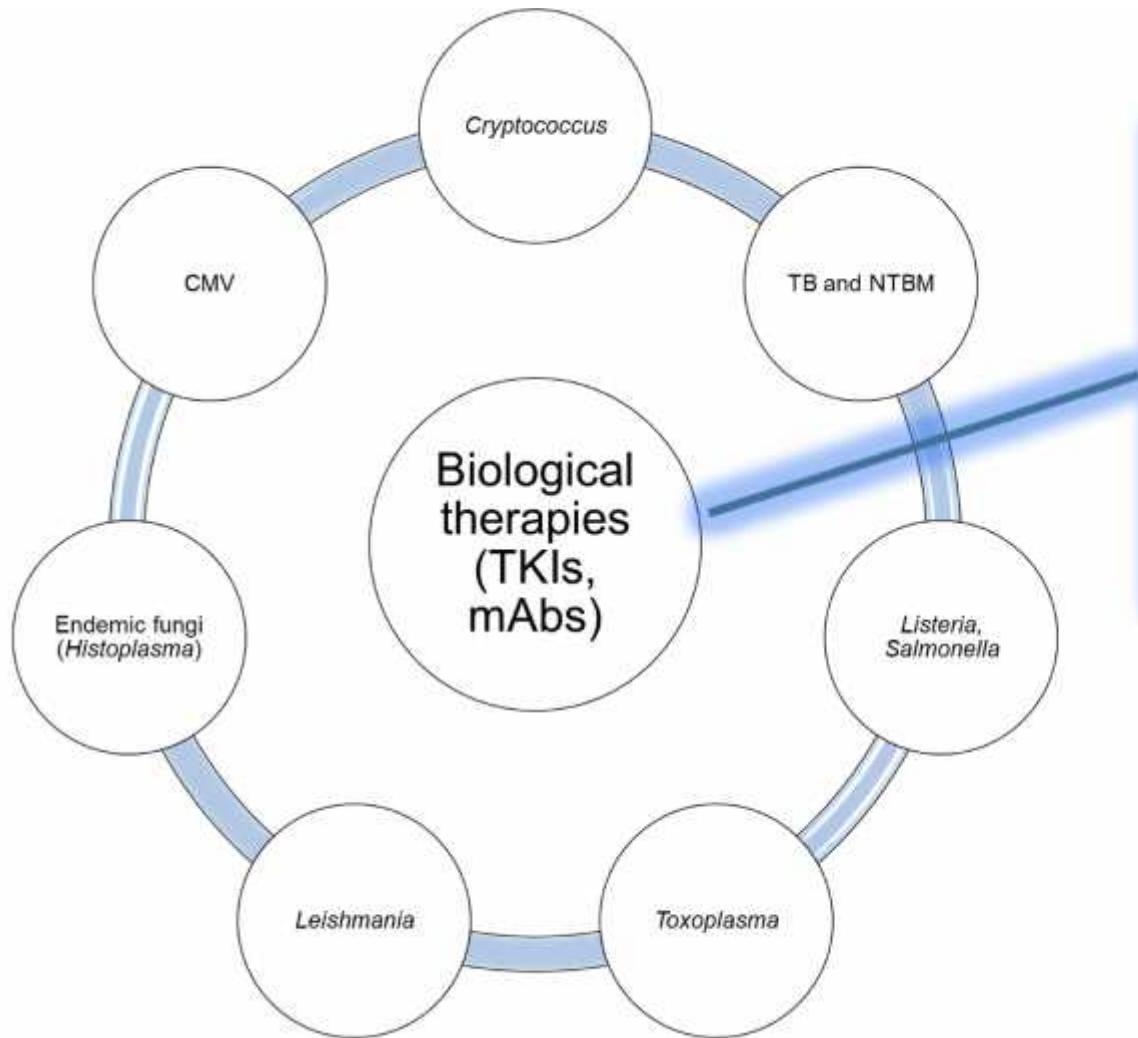
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JC virus

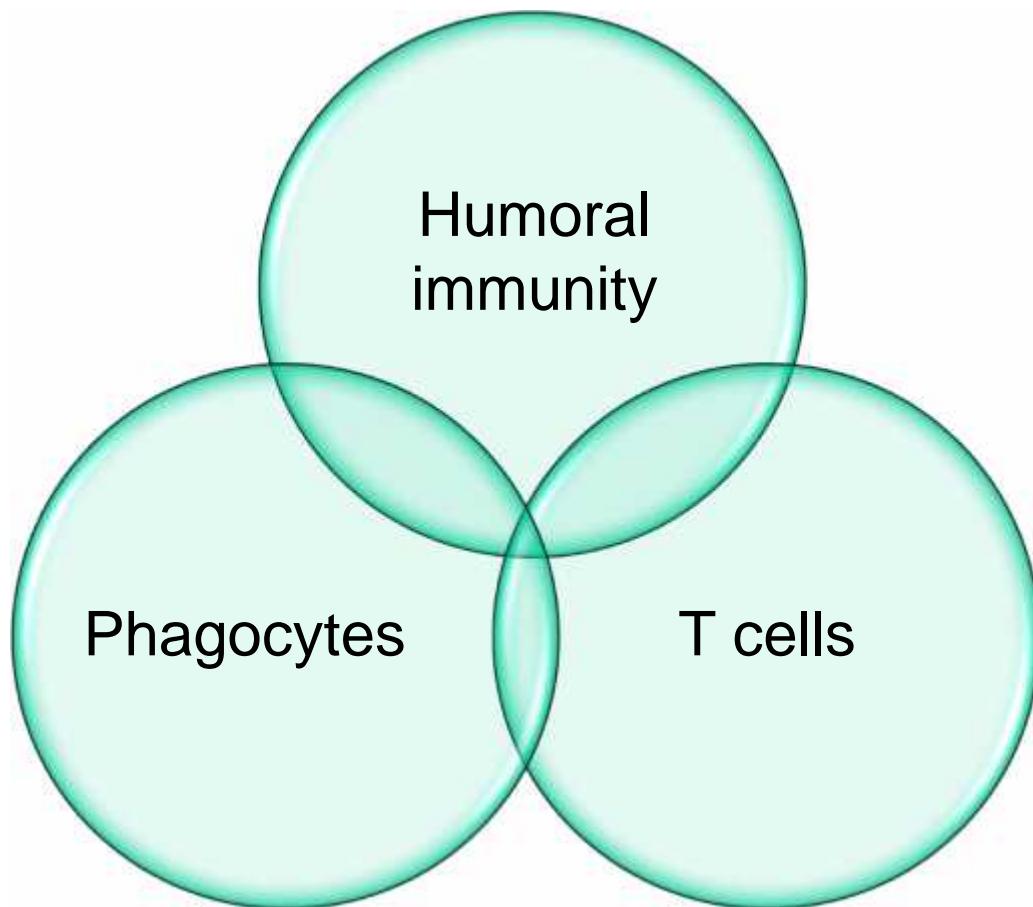
The evolving epidemiology of infections



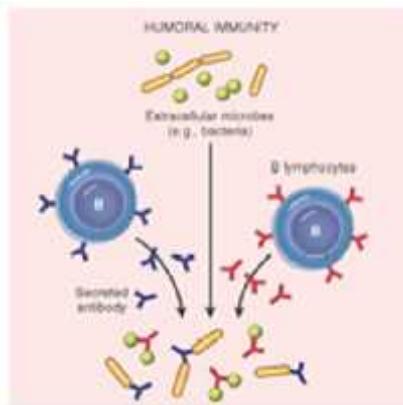


Why certain biological therapies are associated with **increased risk for specific OIs?**

Mechanism of Immunodeficiency



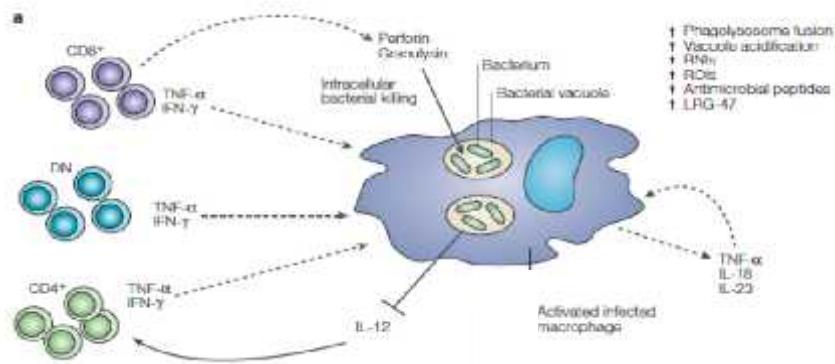
HUMORAL IMMUNITY: B cells, complement



Neutralization
Lysis (complement)
Phagocytosis (PMNs, Macrophages)
Phagosome maturation

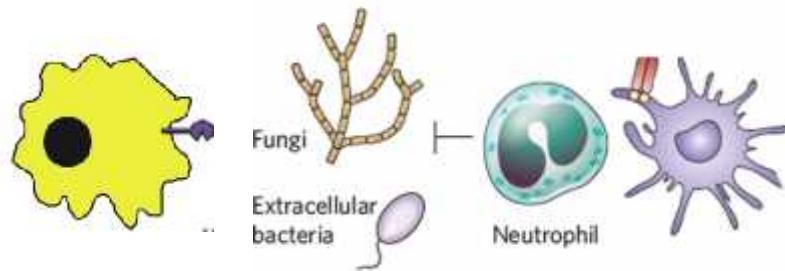
Immune deficit	Predisposing condition	Related Pathogens
B lymphocyte deficiency	MM, leukemia, anti-CD20, c/steroids	Encapsulated bacteria, Giardia, Salmonella, Campylobacter, Enteroviruses
Spleen	Splenectomy, SCD, SLE	Encapsulated bacteria, Capnocytophaga
Complement	Congenital, acquired (SLE)	Encapsulated bacteria, S.aureus

CELLULAR IMMUNITY: T cells



Immune deficit	Predisposing condition	Related Pathogens
T lymphocyte deficiency	AIDS, lymphoma, chemotherapy, transplantation, c/steroids	Intracellular Pathogens Latent viruses: CMV Bacteria: Listeria, TB, NTBM, Nocardia Fungi: PCP, Cryptococcus Parasites: Toxoplasma, Leishmania

CELLULAR IMMUNITY: Phagocytes



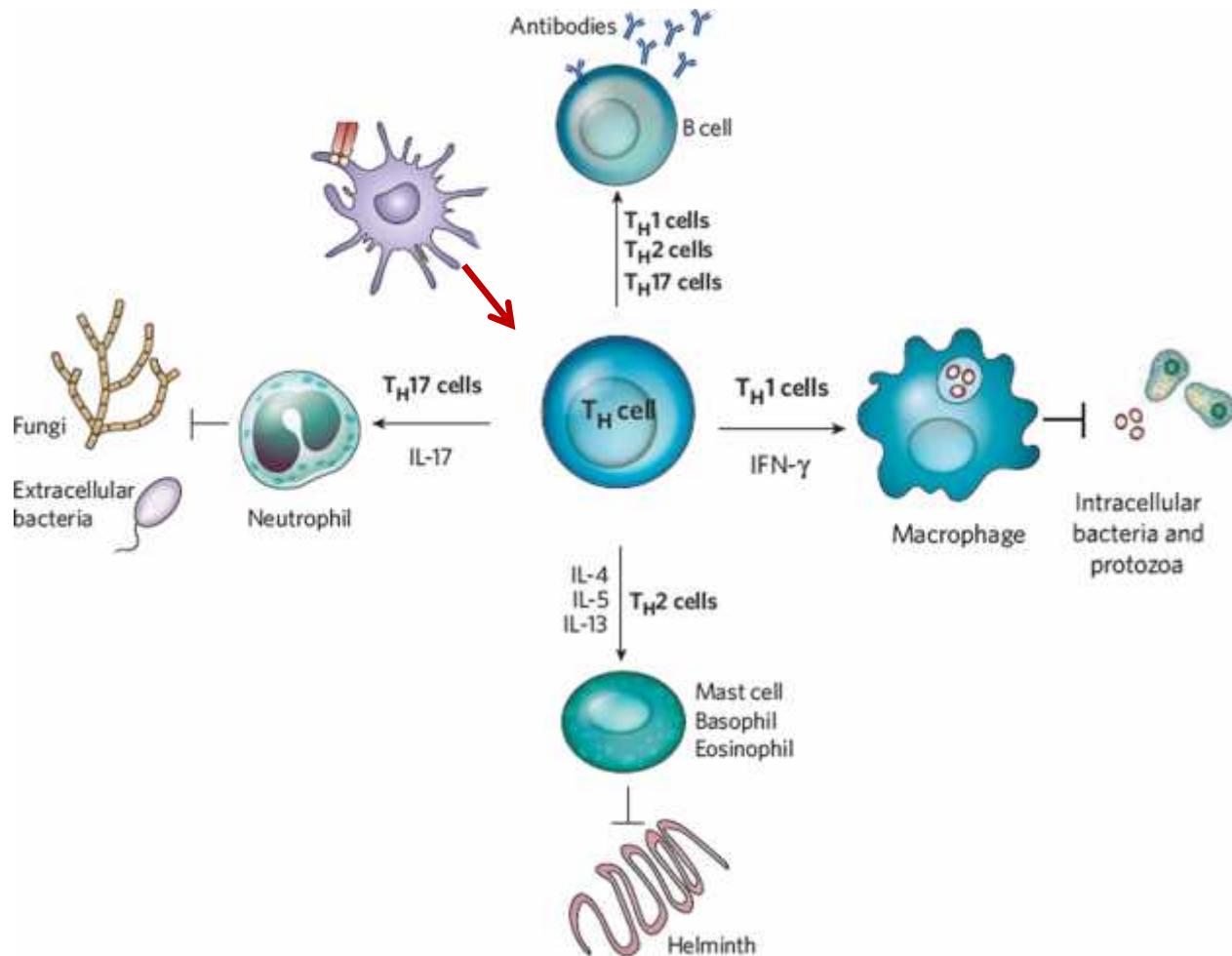
Immune deficit	Predisposing condition	Related Pathogens
Neutropenia	Chemotherapy, leukemia	Gram negative, S. aureus, Streptococci, Fungi: <i>Candida</i> , molds
Neutrophil chemotaxis	DM, cirrhosis, alcoholism, uremia, trauma, burn, steroids	S. aureus, Streptococci, Fungi: <i>Candida</i> , molds
Functional defects	CGD, MPO deficiency, c/steroids	S. aureus, E. coli, Fungi: <i>Candida</i> , molds

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- Sensing of danger (damage)
- Functional Specialization
- Division of Labor-Co-operative activity
- Memory: Adaptive Immunity
- Communication: Cross-Talk
- Redundancy: many effectors
- Plasticity: Epigenetic reprogramming-trained immunity
- Tolerance: Balanced Response \rightarrow Infection Clearance vs. Resolution of inflammation



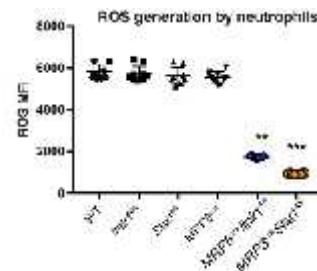
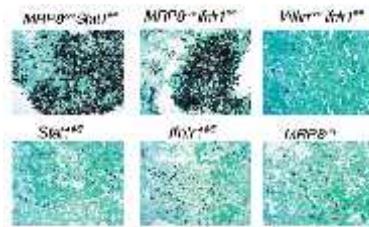
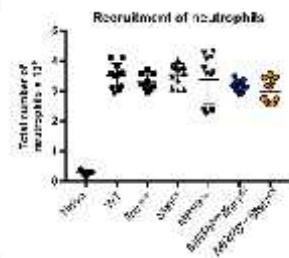
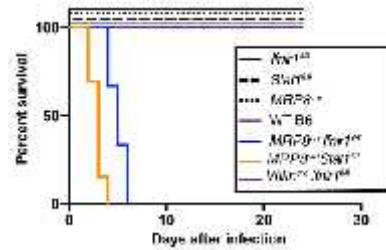
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(Memory and Cross talk of immune system)



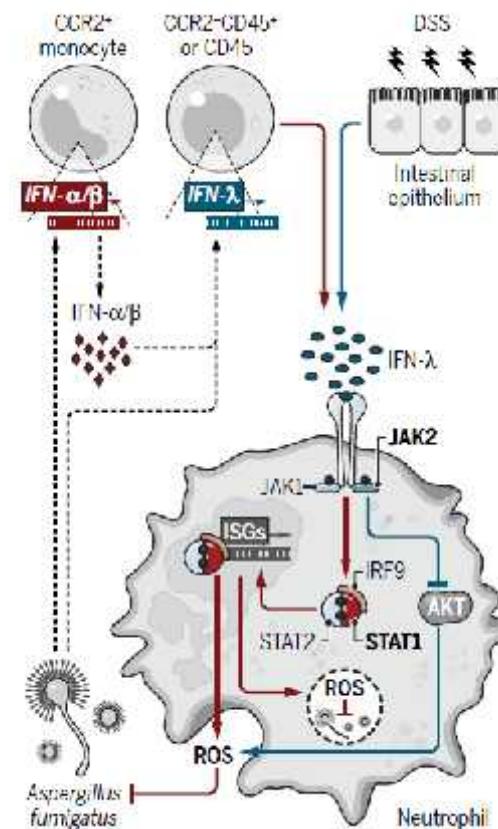
μ (Redundancy)

- Epithelia: sensing, secretion of cytokines/chemokines, AMPs, cross-talk with immune cells, programmed cell death
- Microbiome: Competition for growth, natural antibiotics, metabolites
- Soluble PRRs: collectins, pentraxins
- Serum: complement, Abs, nutritional immunity
- Phagocytes: oxidative and non-oxidative mechanisms of killing
 - PMNs: NETosis, sequestration of essential nutrients
- Other immune cells (NK cells, pDCs, CTL): direct cytotoxicity (granzin, perforins), cross talk with adaptive and innate effectors
- Cytokines/chemokines: orchestrate immune response, direct antimicrobial action

Immune cell cross-talk

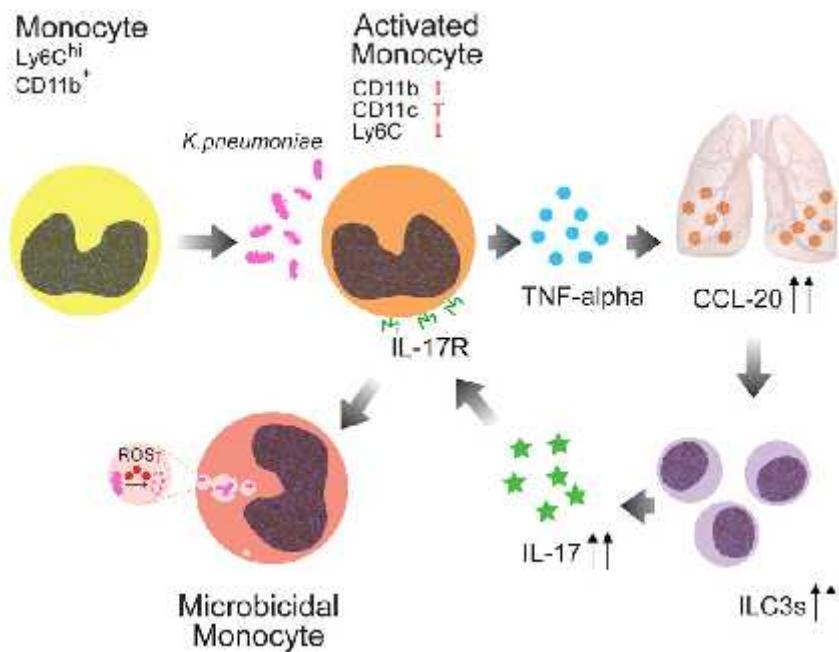


Espinosa et al., Sci. Immunol. 2, eaan5357 (2017)



Innate Lymphocyte/Ly6C^{hi} Monocyte Crosstalk Promotes *Klebsiella pneumoniae* Clearance

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*Biological therapies associated with
increased risk for OIs caused by
extracellular pathogens*

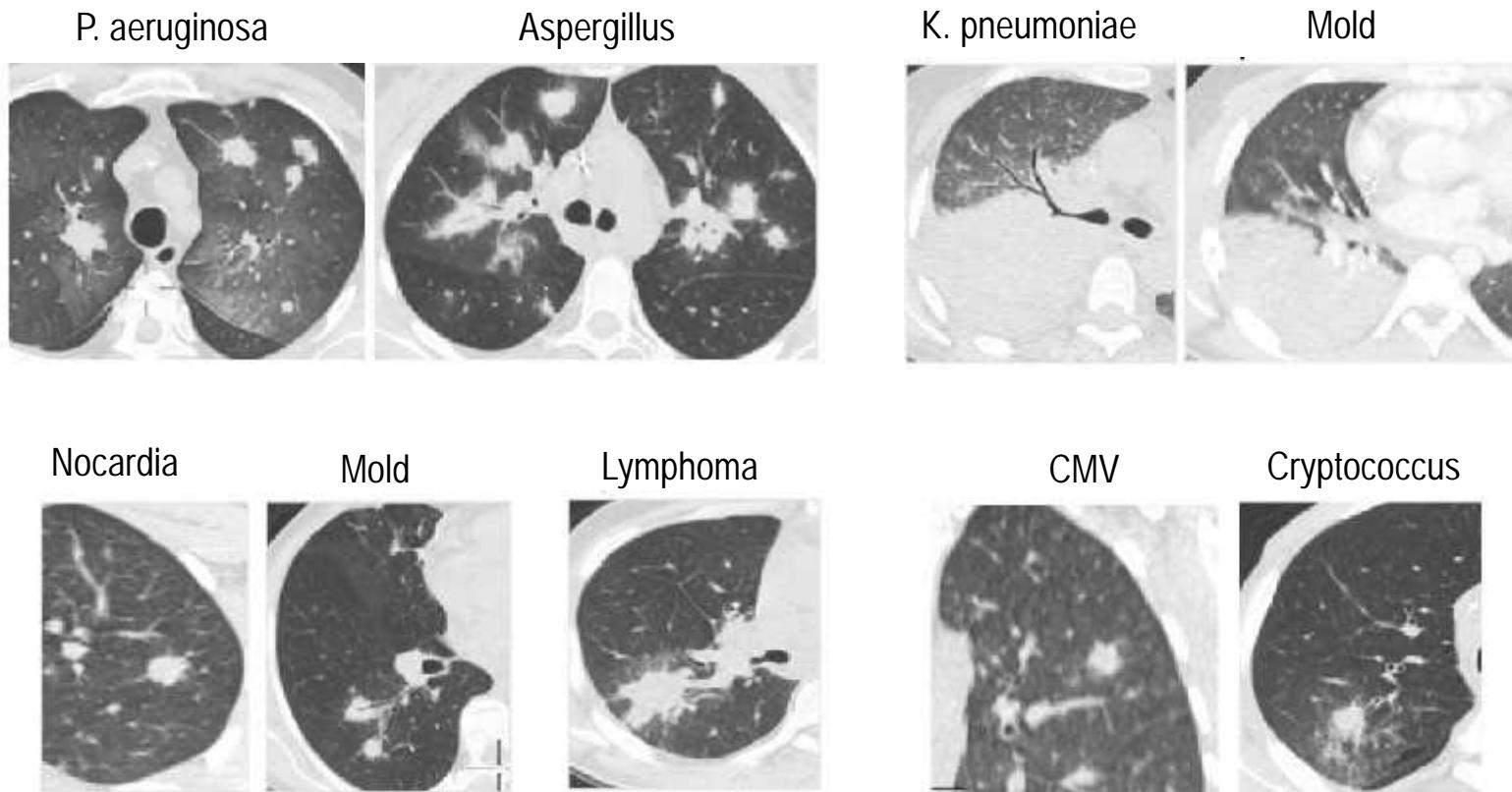
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- 67 y/o white male, asymptomatic CLL diagnosed in 2010
- In 2017 started **on oral BTK inhibitor (ibrutinib)**
- Four months later admitted in the ER with fever, shortness of breath and dry cough
- **CT chest:** bilateral infiltrates
- Started on broad spectrum antibiotics (Pip/Tazo + Levofloxacin + TMP/SMX) + fluconazole + oselatamivir

Chest CT findings



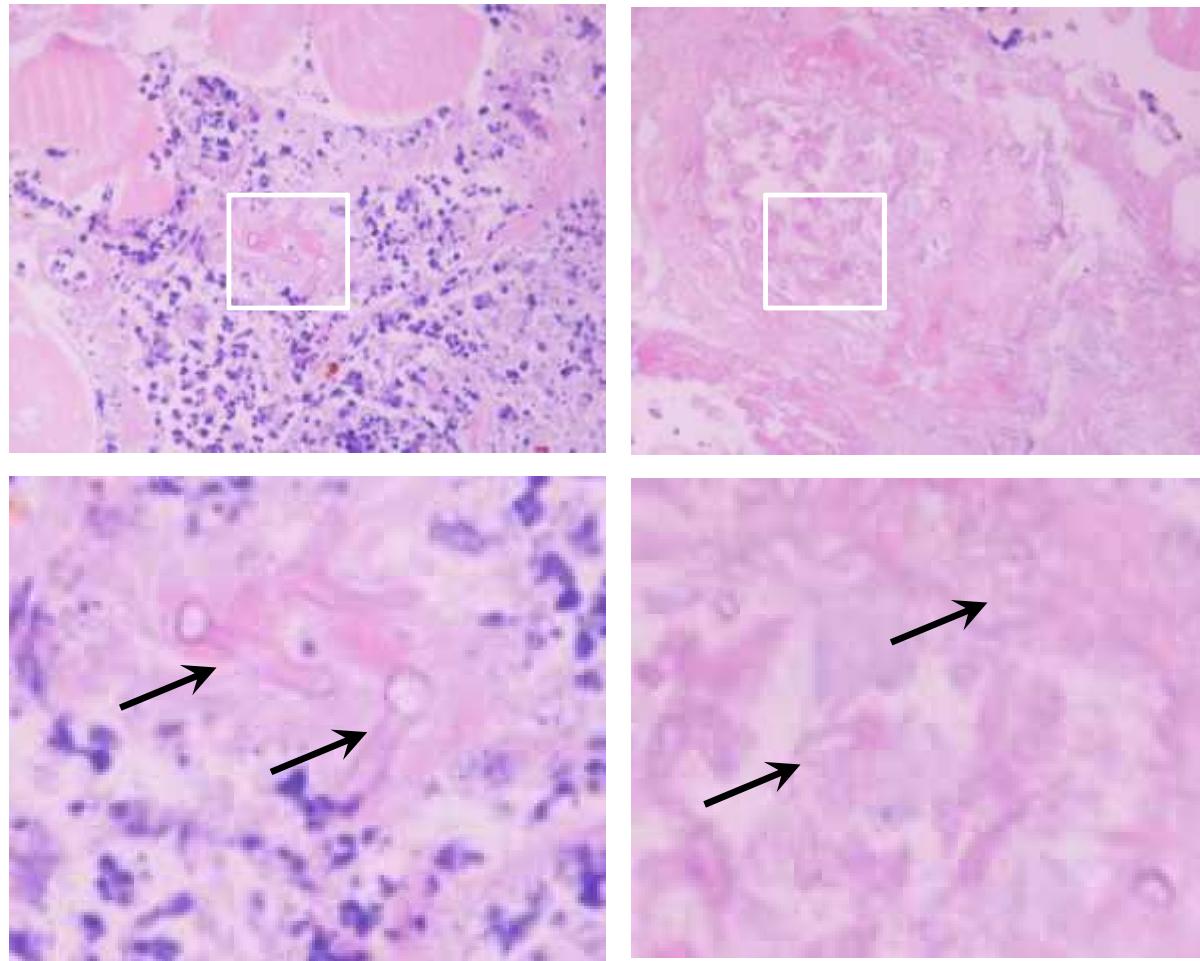
Specificity of chest CT in diagnosis of infections in Hematological Malignancy Patients?



Lionakis MS, Lewis RE, Kontoyiannis DP, Clin Infect Dis 2018

- :
1. CT staging (CT lung +/- sinus +/- brain)
 2. Early bronchoscopy (within 48-72h)
 3. BAL fluid Cx, GM Ag, PCR
 4. Biopsy, histology and culture of lesions if feasible
 5. Empirical antifungal coverage for IMI (including non-Aspergillus molds)
 6. All of the above

Biopsy: Mucormycosis



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3. μ μ ?

4. μ μ μ Ols?

Atypical *Pneumocystis jirovecii* pneumonia in previously untreated patients with CLL on single-agent ibrutinib

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5% PCP

Ibrutinib for Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia

N ENGL J MED 374;16 NEJM.ORG APRIL 21, 2016

TO THE EDITOR: Burger et al. report promising results of ibrutinib as initial therapy for CLL. After a median follow-up of 18.4 months, three deaths occurred in the ibrutinib group, one from klebsiella infection and two from unknown causes.

We report on brain abscesses due to aspergillosis, a rare occurrence in CLL, which developed during ibrutinib therapy. Invasive aspergillosis developed in three patients with relapsed CLL within 2 months after the initiation of ibrutinib.

39% IA

94% showed tumor reductions with ibrutinib alone, including patients having PCNSL with *CD79B* and/or *MYD88* mutations, and 86% of evaluable patients achieved complete remission with DA-TEDDi-R. Increased aspergillosis was observed with ibrutinib monotherapy and DA-TEDDi-R. Aspergillosis was linked to BTK-dependent fungal immunity in a murine model. PCNSL is highly dependent on BCR signaling, and ibrutinib appears to enhance the efficacy of chemotherapy.

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BRIEF REPORT

Disseminated Cryptococcosis With Brain Involvement in Patients With Chronic Lymphoid Malignancies on Ibrutinib

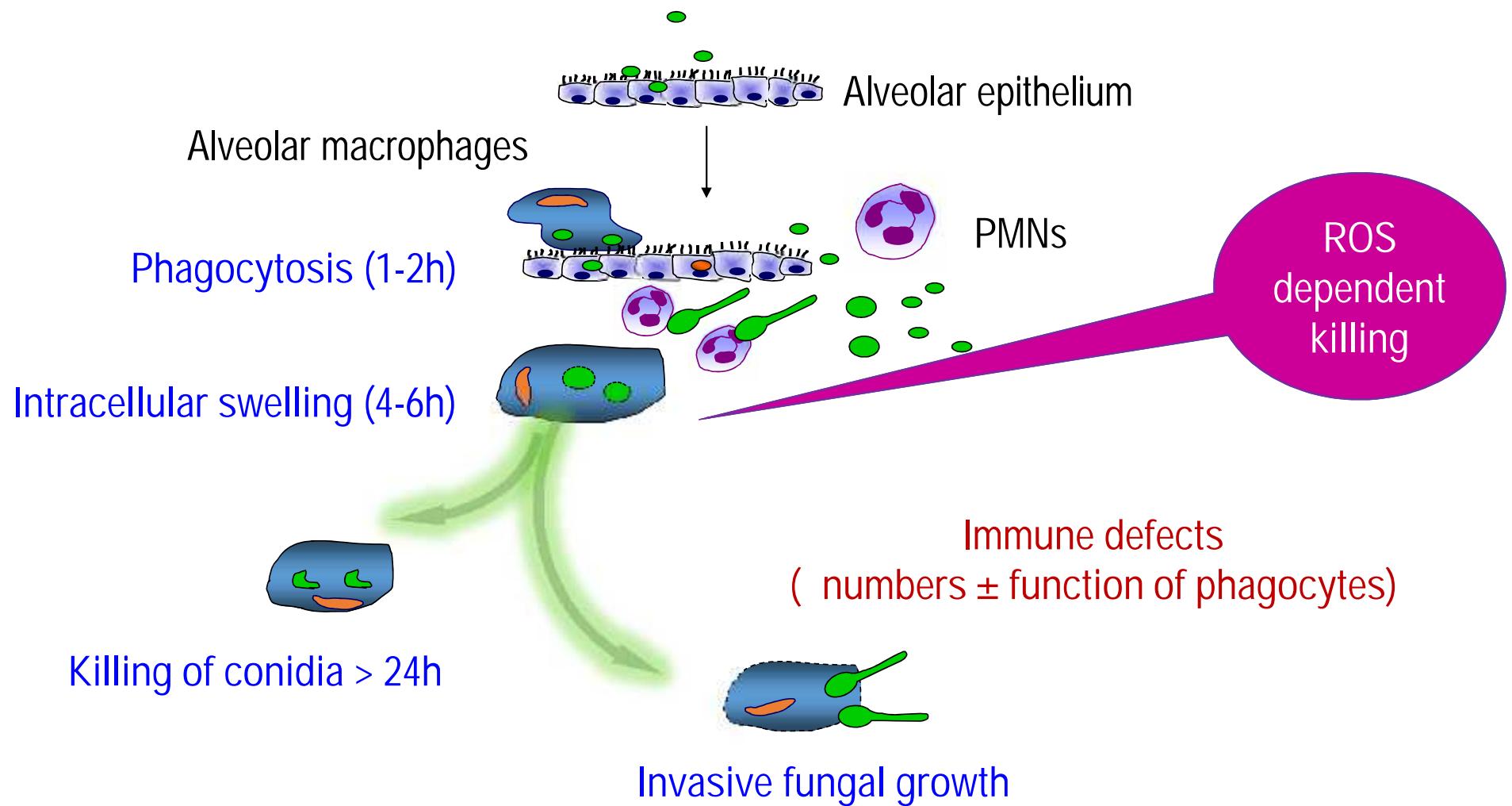
Inhibition of B Cell Receptor Signaling by Ibrutinib in Primary CNS Lymphoma

Invasive mold infections (IMIs): lessons from primary immunodeficiencies

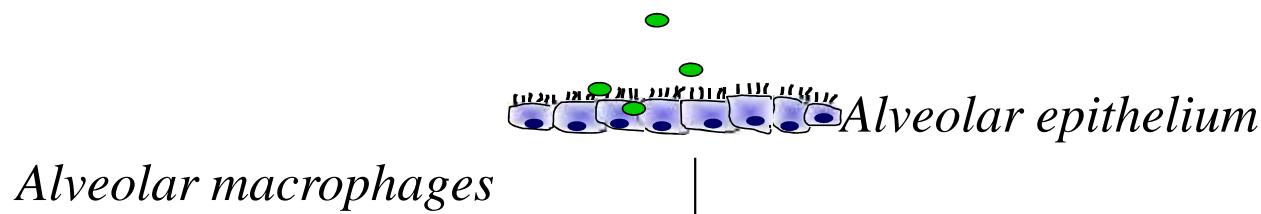
Defects in myeloid cell numbers, chemotaxis and function mediate susceptibility to invasive diseases by Candida and airborne filamentous fungi (molds)

- Functional defects in myeloid cells
 - CGD (NADPH oxidase)
 - Pulmonary alveolar proteinosis (GM-CSF signaling)
- Defects in myeloid cell numbers or chemotaxis
 - MonoMAC syndrome (GATA2)-numbers
 - Severe congenital neutropenia (ELA2, HAX1)-numbers
 - Leucocyte adhesion deficiency (CD18)-trafficking
 - CARD9 deficiency-chemotaxis

Physiological Immune Response against Extracellular fungi

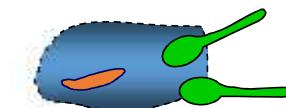


Physiological Immune Response against Molds



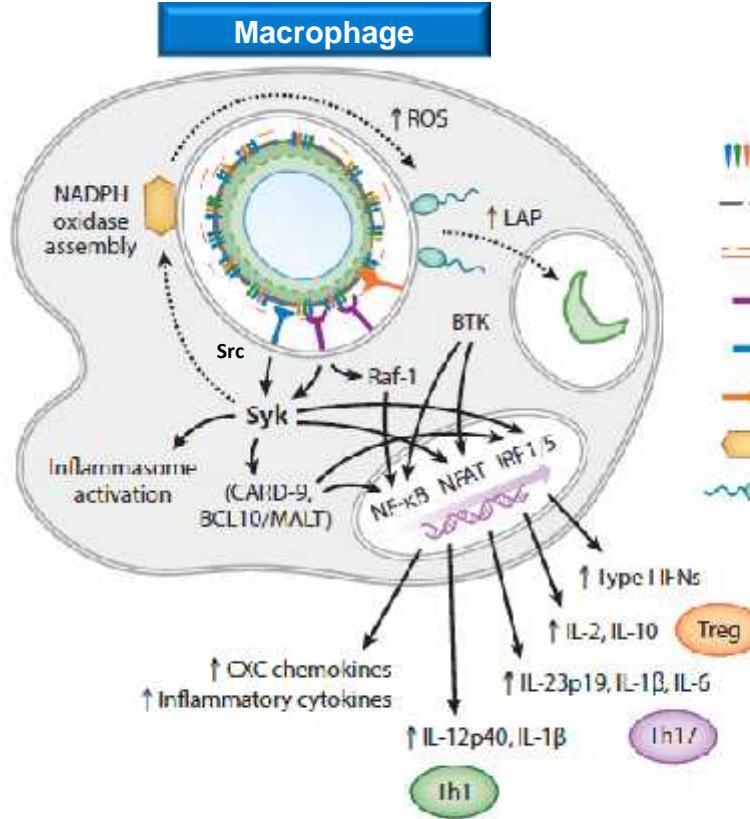
- Cells of lymphoid origin (T cells, B cells) are dispensable for Immunity against extracellular fungi
- Defects in phagocytes account for development of systemic infections caused by *Candida* and molds

Killing of conidia >
24h

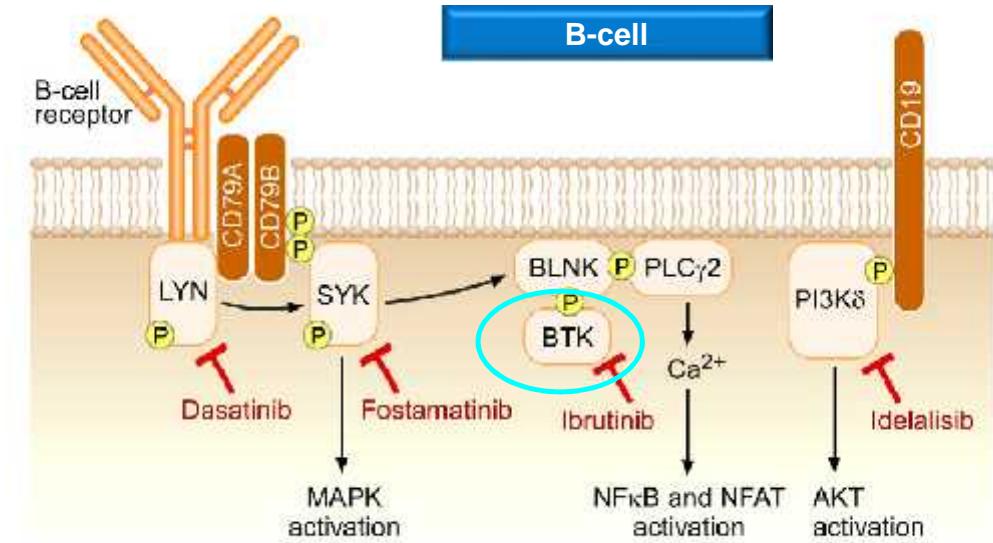


Invasive fungal growth

The other side of SMKIs.....

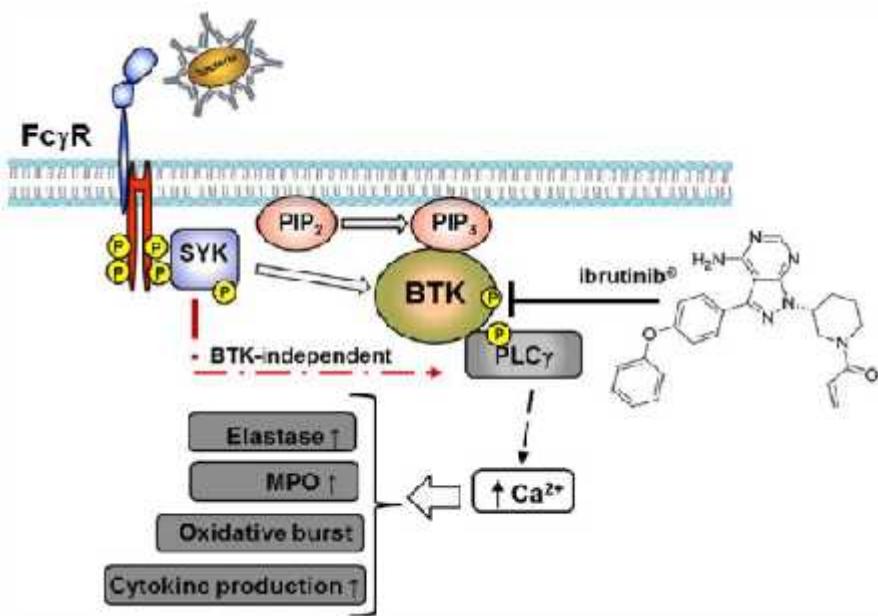
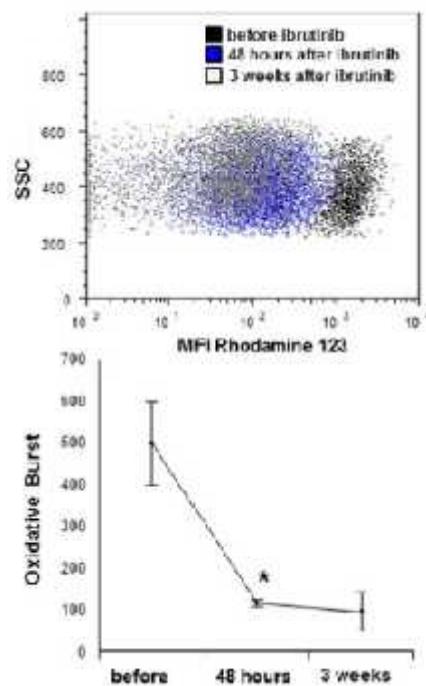


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VIEWPOINTS



Pharmacology & Therapeutics 144 (2014) 338–348

BTK inhibitors inhibit activation of NADPH oxidase in neutrophils



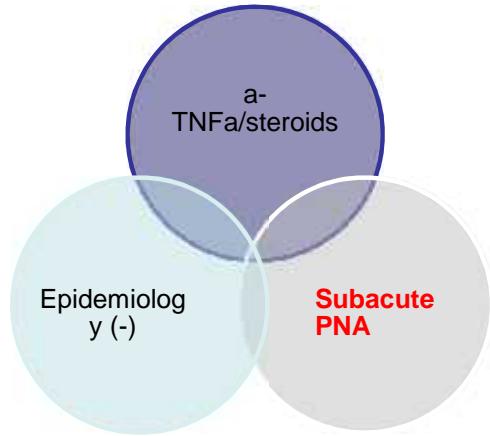
Prezzo A, et al Leuk Res. 2019 Oct 3;87:106233

Biological therapies are associated with increased risk for OIs caused by intracellular pathogens

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- 61 y/o M/RA,
- MTX/prednisone/**Infliximab**
- Anemia/SOB/RLL infiltrate
- response to Levofloxacin

(CHEST 2003; 124:2395–2397)



Clinical manifestations



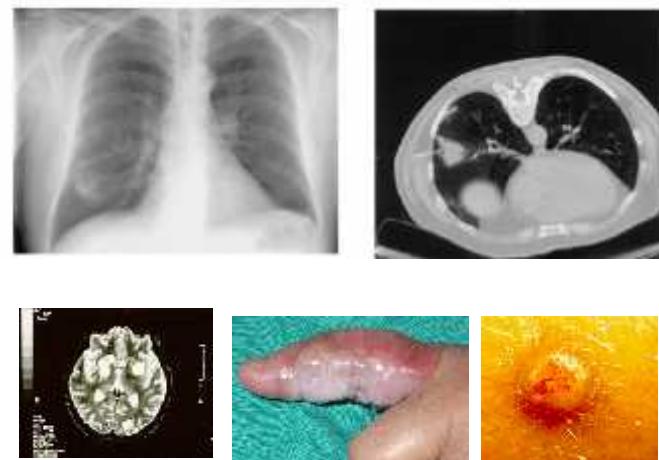
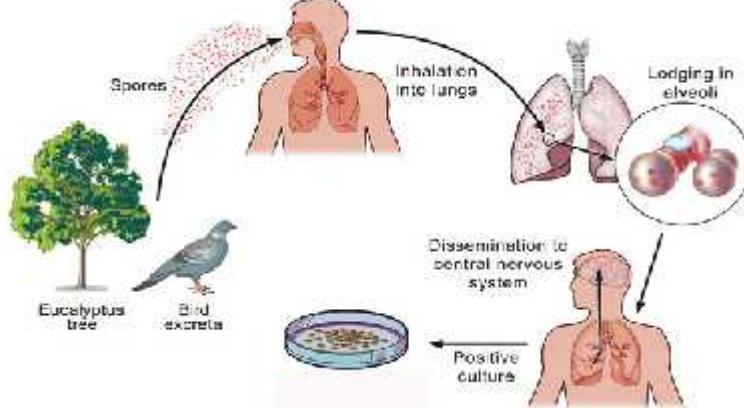
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Cryptococcus

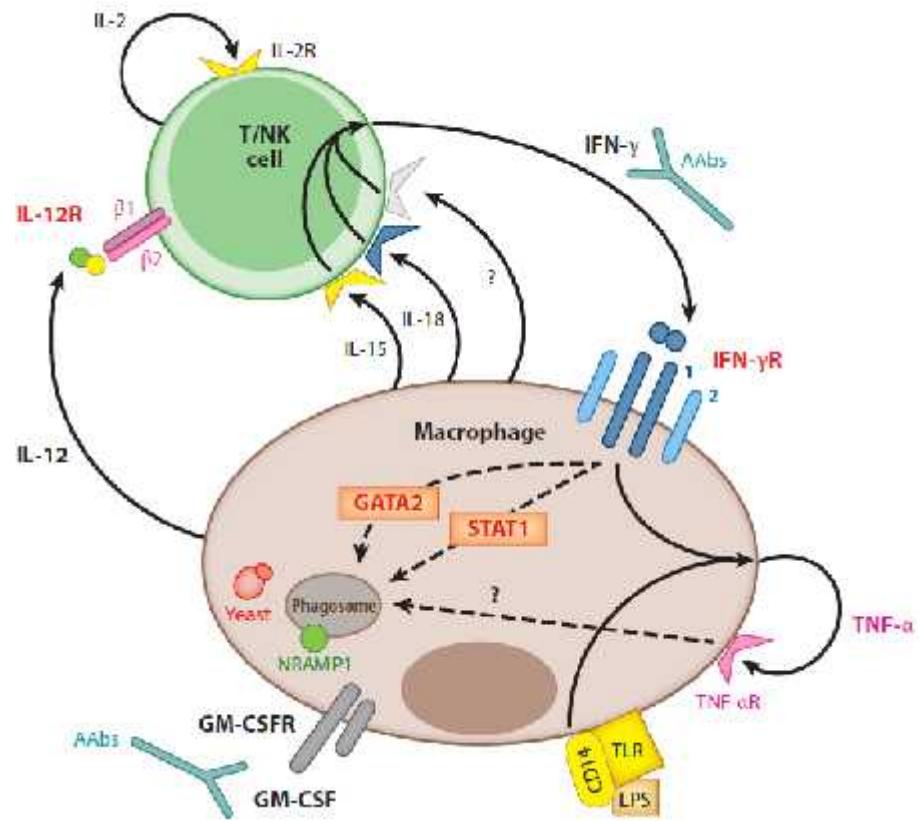
Variable	AIDS	Cancer	Transplantation	Other
Incidence	1,7%-6,6%	0.5 per 100,000	Liver transplant: 0.3%-2%	1/100,000 DM/CS/Cirrhosis
Clinical Presentation	Meningitis, fungemia	Meningitis, fungemia	Skin, OA, lungs, meningitis	NA
Survival	70%-78%	43%-70%	50% mortality in pneumonitis	NA

Sepkowitz KA, Clin Infect Dis 2002; 34:1098-107

Cryptococcosis



T cell-Macrophage cross talk via JAK/STAT signaling and the IL-12/IFN axis are critical for control of Intracellular pathogens (Cryptococcus) and PJP

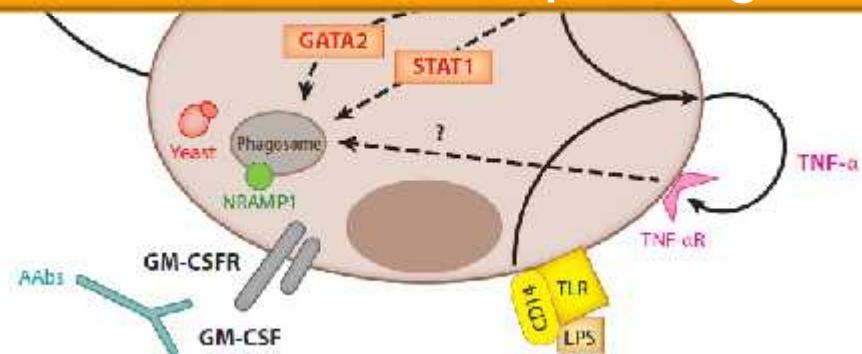


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T cell-
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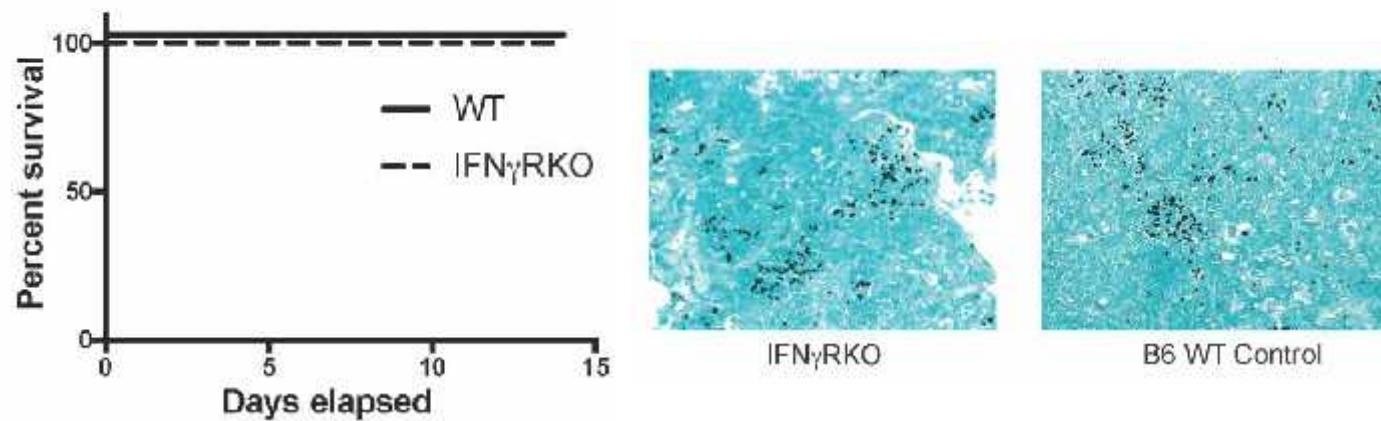
- Defects in T cell-Macrophage interplay in patients with infections caused by *Cryptococcus* and other intracellular pathogens

critical for control of
Intracellular fungal
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IFN γ signaling is redundant in immunity against extracellular fungi (*Aspergillus*)



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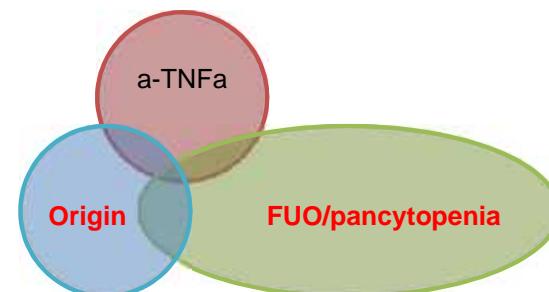
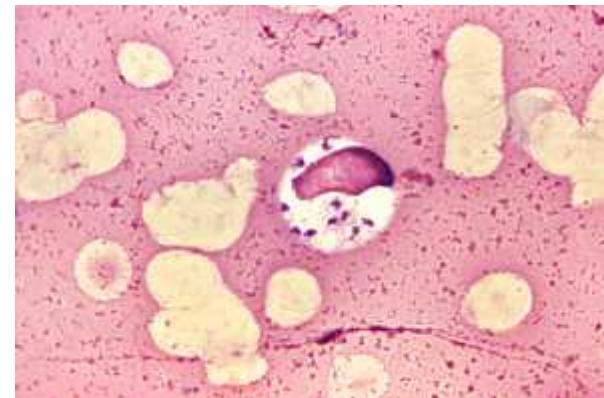
SMKIs associated with development of OIs

Compound (Year of approval)	Targets	Indications	Comments on type of OIs
Dasatinib (2006)	BCR-Abl, Src, Lck, Fyn, Kit, EphA2, PDGFR	Ph+ CML, ALL	Several cases of PJP, possible fungal pneumonia, candidemia, and CMV reactivation
Ruxolitinib (2011)	JAK 1/2	Myelofibrosis, PV	Mycobacterial, fungal (<i>Cryptococcus</i> > PJP > Molds > <i>Candida esophagitis</i>), viral (VZV, PML)
Tofacitinib (2012)	JAK 1/3	Rheumatoid arthritis	Disseminated tuberculosis, <i>Cryptococcus</i> , PJP, <i>Candida esophagitis</i> ; disseminated VZV, CMV
Idelalisib (2014)	PI3K	Small lymphocytic lymphoma, NHL, CLL	CMV reactivation, PJP

Clin Infect Dis. 2018 Jan 6;66(1):140-148; Polvereli et al; *AM J Hem* 2017; Dioverti et al; *Infect Dis* 2017; Sylvine P et al., *Ann Hematol* 2018

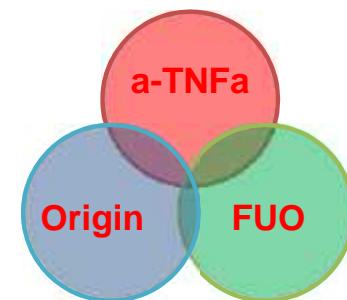
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- 70 y/o F from Crete, hx of RA
- On **Infliximab** 18 months and prednisone
- FUO/negative workup
- Persistent fever, worsening pancytopenia
- Bone Marrow Biopsy (+++)



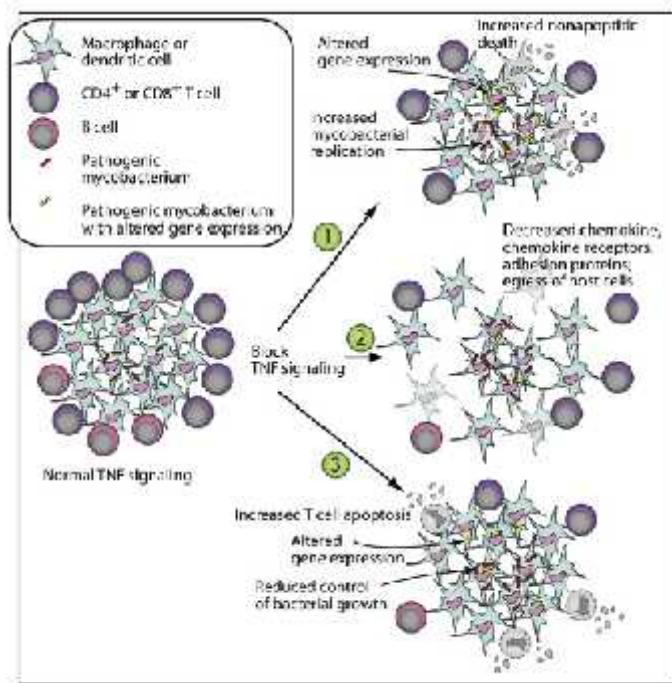
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- 41 y/o Indian M, psoriatic arthropathy on **infliximab**
- FUO, severe weight loss
- Extensive workup : CTs, Bcx, sputum Cx, endoscopy (-)
- 5 months later: persistent fever, (+) cough
- CT chest : cavitary RUL mass, numerous bilateral nodules
- mediastinal and supraclavicular LAD
- multiple splenic, liver, kidneys lesions



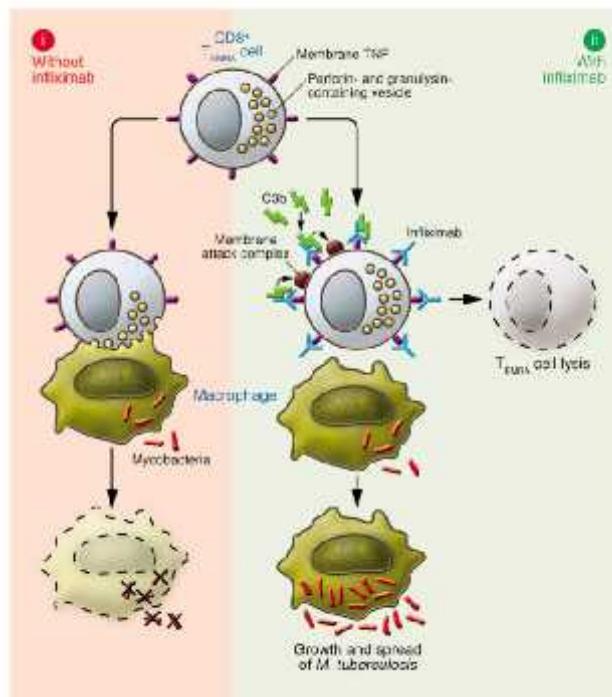
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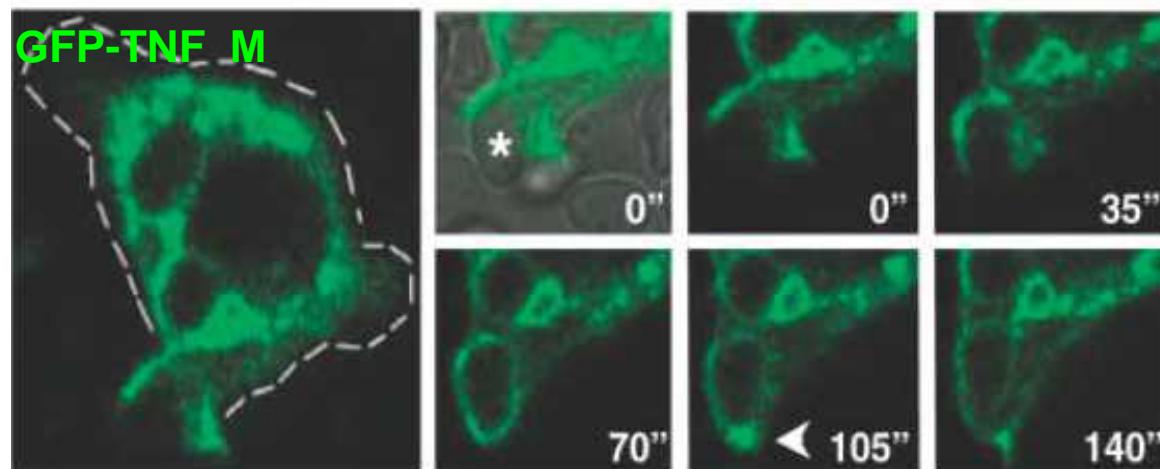
Immunity 2008; 29:175-177

CD8⁺ T- μ
(Granulysin)



J Clin Invest 2009; 119:1079-1082

TNF rapidly accumulates in the phagocytic cup

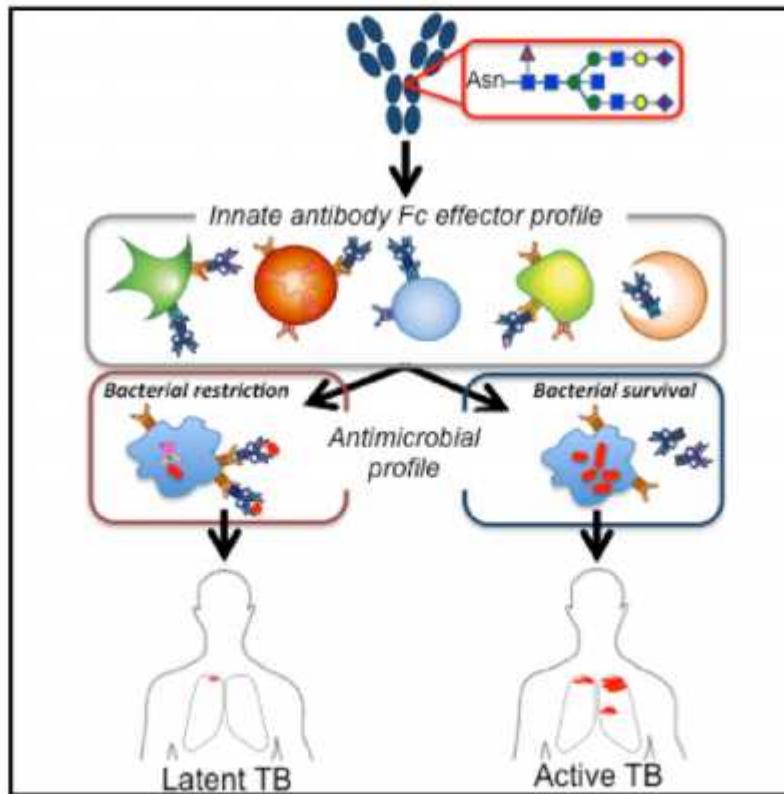


F function in
the phagosome?

Science. 2005 Dec 2;310(5753):1492-5

A Functional Role for Antibodies in Tuberculosis

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IFN- γ -independent immune markers of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* exposure

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Exposure to *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* (*Mtb*) results in heterogeneous clinical outcomes including primary progressive tuberculosis and latent *Mtb* infection (LTBI). *Mtb* infection is identified using the tuberculin skin test and interferon- γ (IFN- γ) release assay (IGRA), and a positive result may prompt chemoprophylaxis to prevent progression to tuberculosis. In the present study, we report on a cohort of Ugandan individuals who were household contacts of patients with TB. These individuals were highly exposed to *Mtb* but tested negative disease by IFN- γ release assay and tuberculin skin test, 'resisting' development of classic LTBI. We show that 'resisters' possess IgM, class-switched IgG antibody responses and non-IFN- γ T cell responses to the *Mtb*-specific proteins ESAT6 and CFP10. Immunologic evidence of exposure to *Mtb*. Compared to subjects with classic LTBI, 'resisters' display enhanced antibody avidity and distinct *Mtb*-specific IgG Fc profiles. These data reveal a distinctive adaptive immune profile among *Mtb*-exposed subjects, supporting an expanded definition of the host response to *Mtb* exposure, with implications for public health and the design of clinical trials.

Conclusions

- Preclinical studies-Basic research on OI pathogenesis
- Basic research on understanding molecular mechanisms of immunodeficiency
- Urgent need for development of novel biomarkers of immunodeficiency

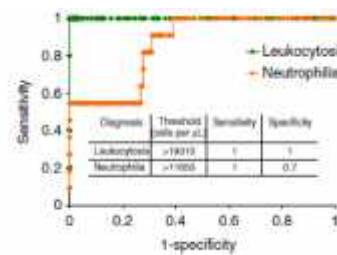
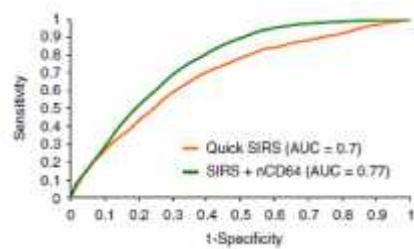
Need for development of functional assays of immune deactivation



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A point-of-care microfluidic biochip for quantification of CD64 expression from whole blood for sepsis stratification

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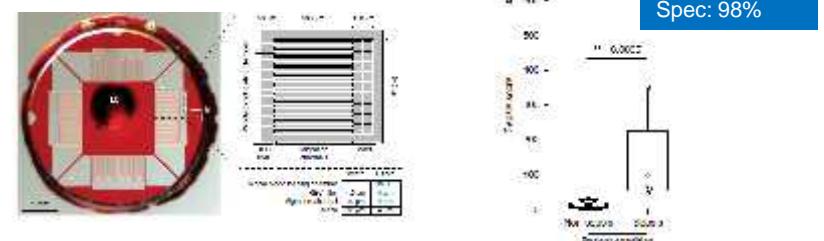


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