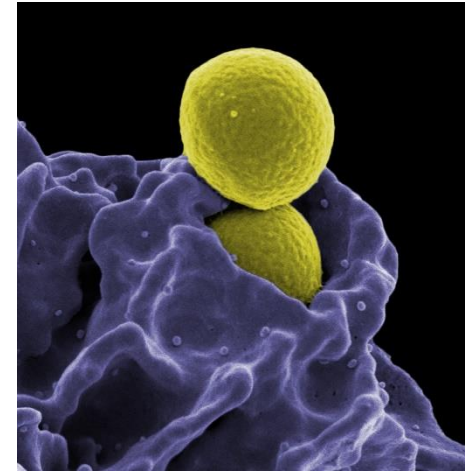
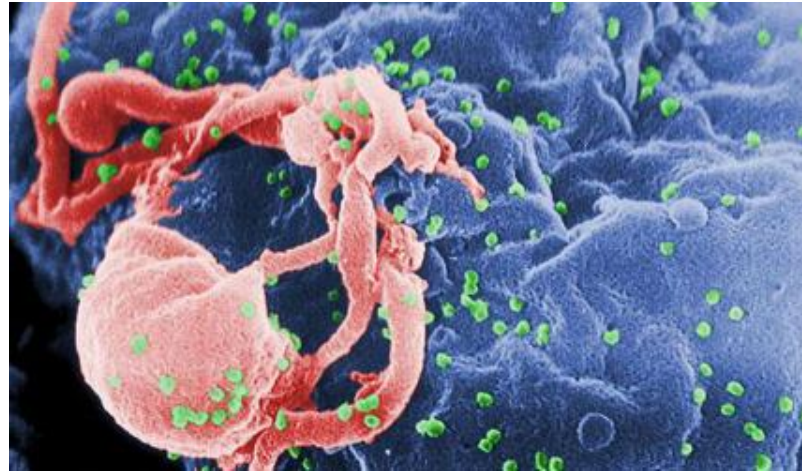
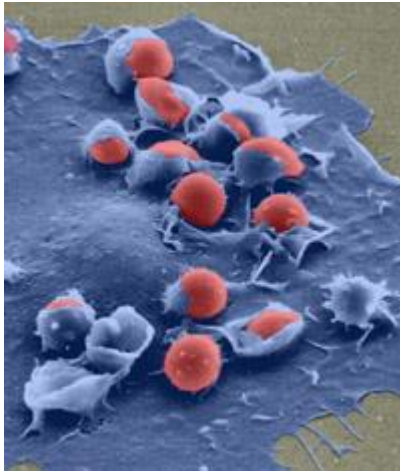


infection and immunity



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antimicrobial immune responses

primary barriers

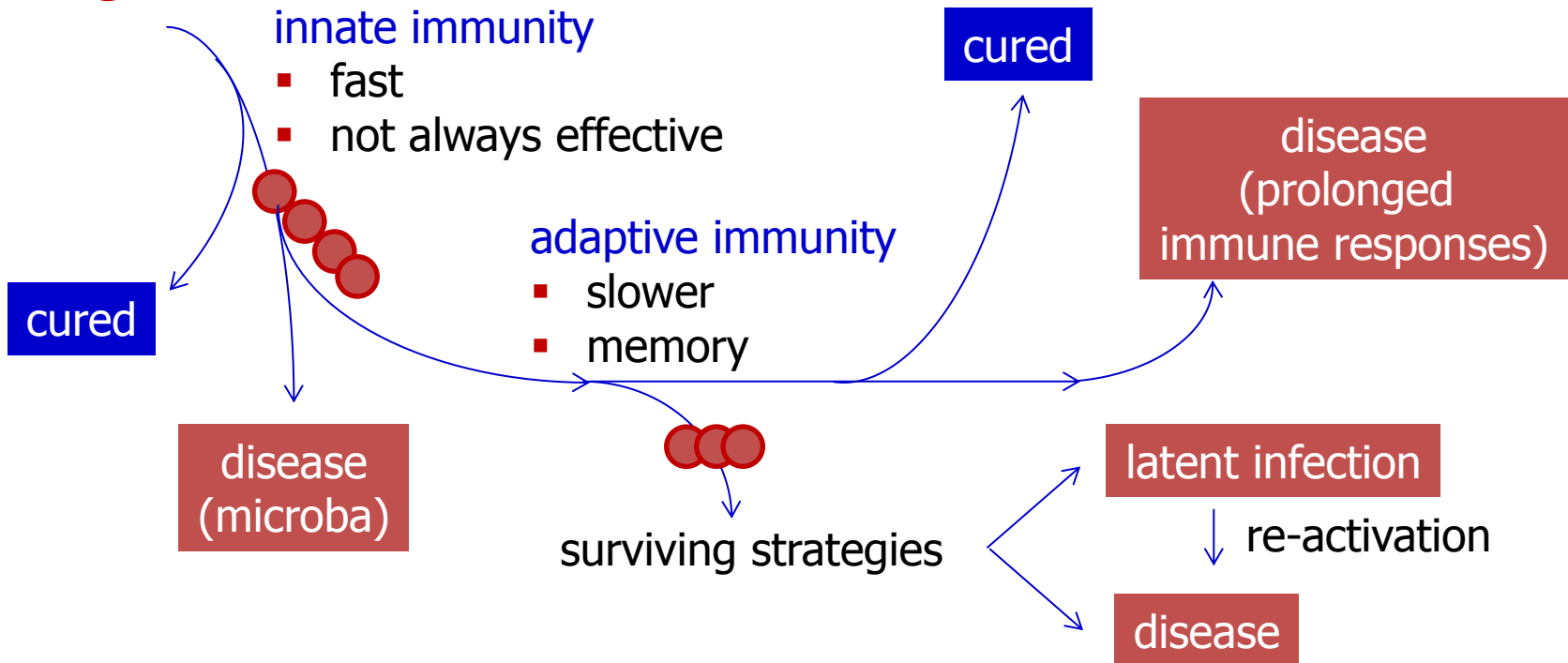
- mechanical (skin, lung, GI, eye)
- chemical (β -defensines, lysozyme, chatelicidin)
- microbial (microbiota)

innate immunity

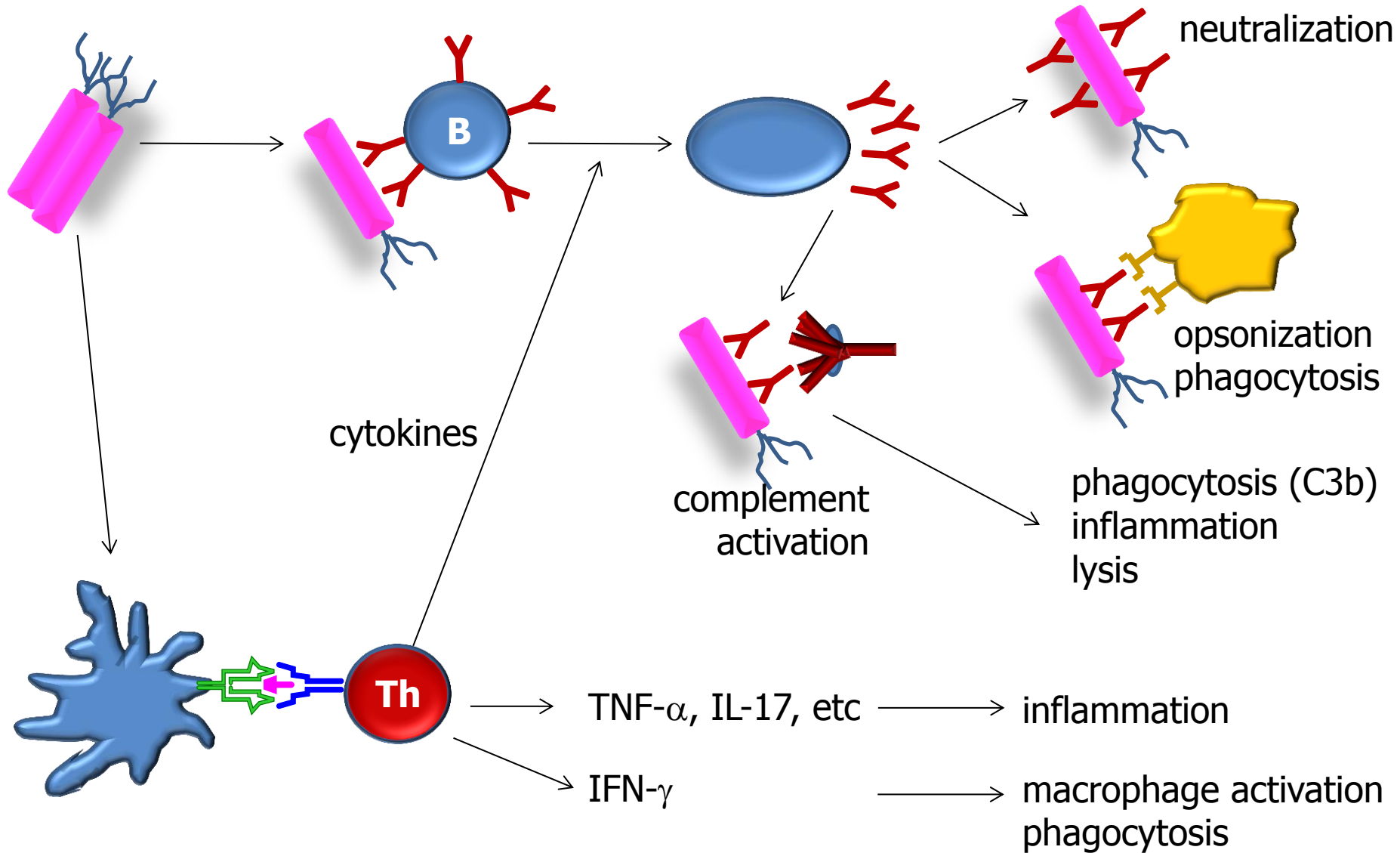
- fast
- not always effective

adaptive immunity

- slower
- memory



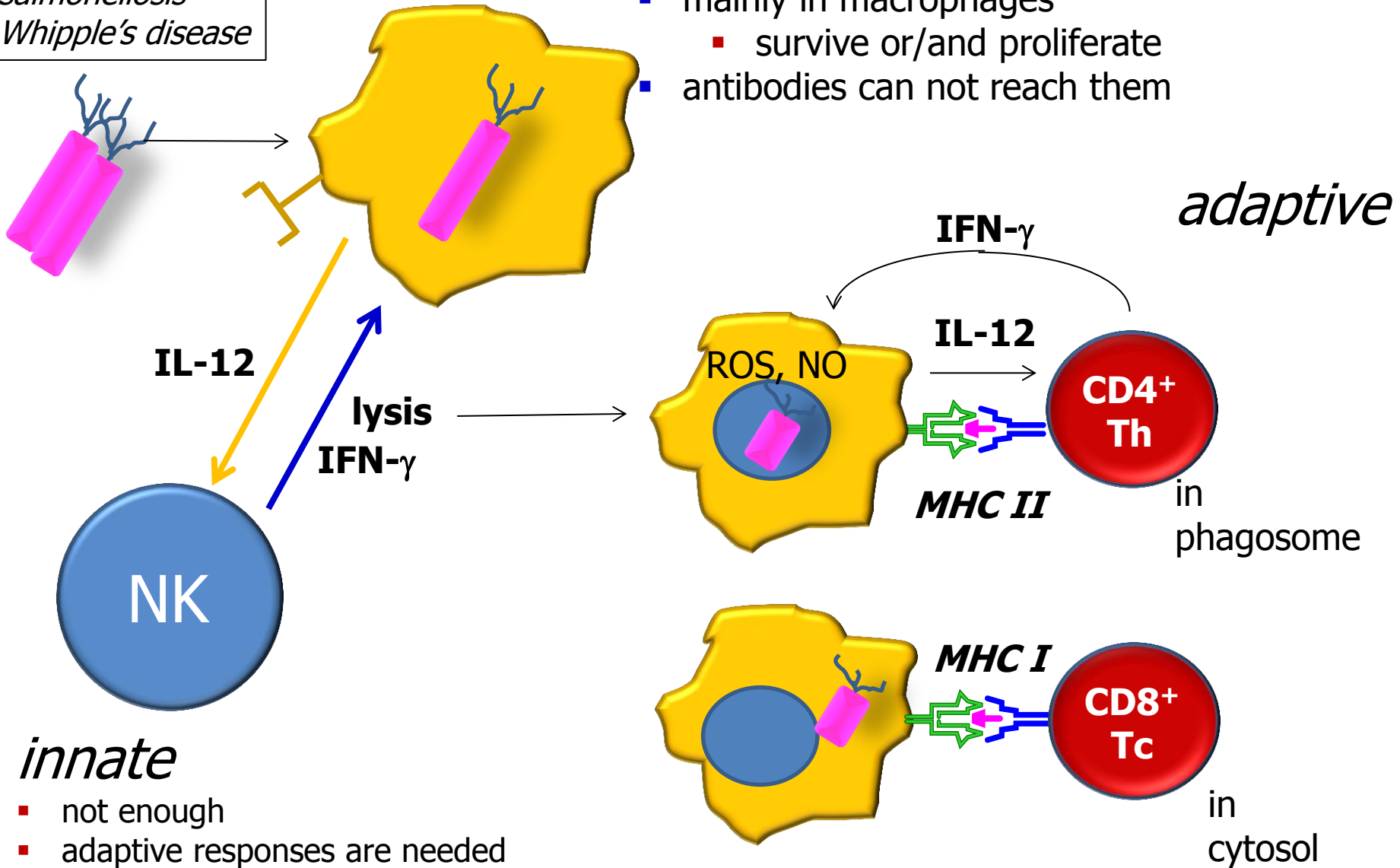
extracellular bacteria



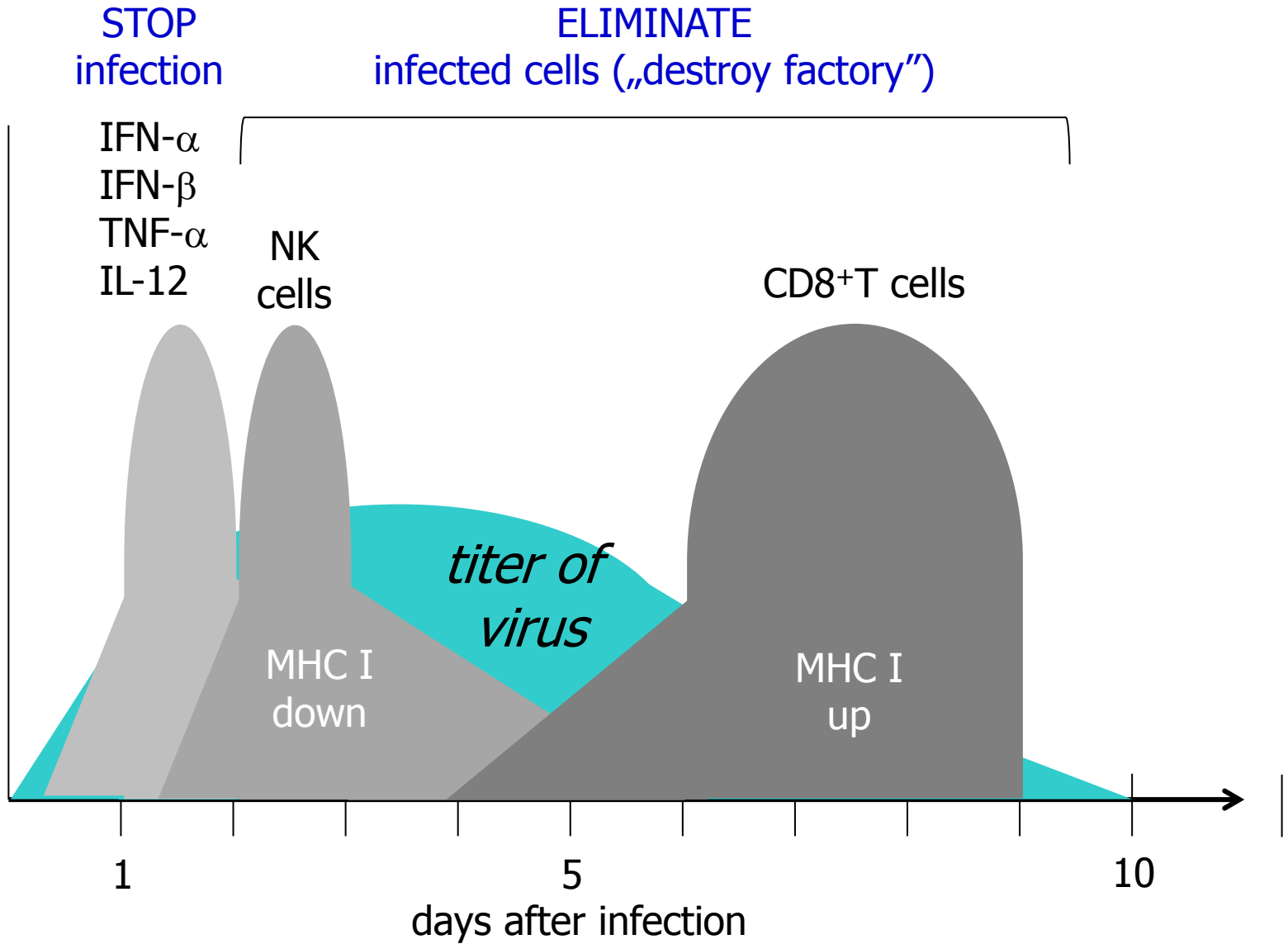
intracellular bacteria

listeriosis
tuberculosis
lepra
brucellosis
salmonellosis
Whipple's disease

- mainly in macrophages
 - survive or/and proliferate
- antibodies can not reach them



viruses



immunodeficiencies

- transient
- primary
- secondary
- acquired (HIV)

secondary immunodeficiencies

- Down syndrome
- SLE, liver cirrhosis, thymoma
- iatrogenic immunosuppression
- toxic (environmental)
- uraemia
- tumors of the immune system
- solid tumors with metastasis
- major surgery
- dysfunction or absence of spleen
- stress

case

nephrosis syndrome for 12 years
membranous glomerulonephritis

3 months ago:

- cyclophosphamide + steroid

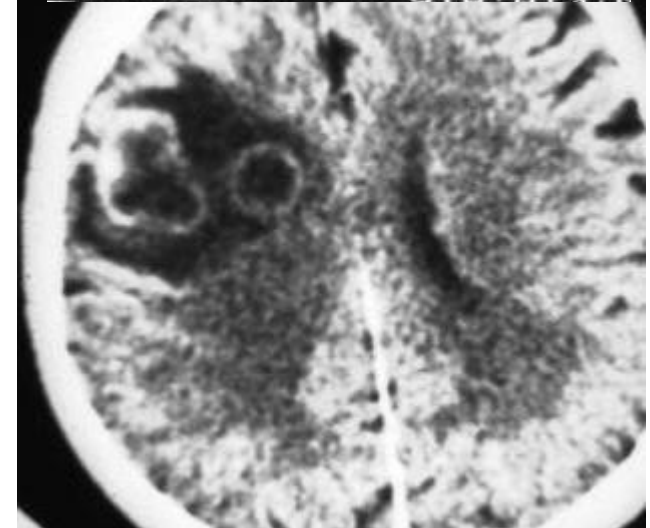
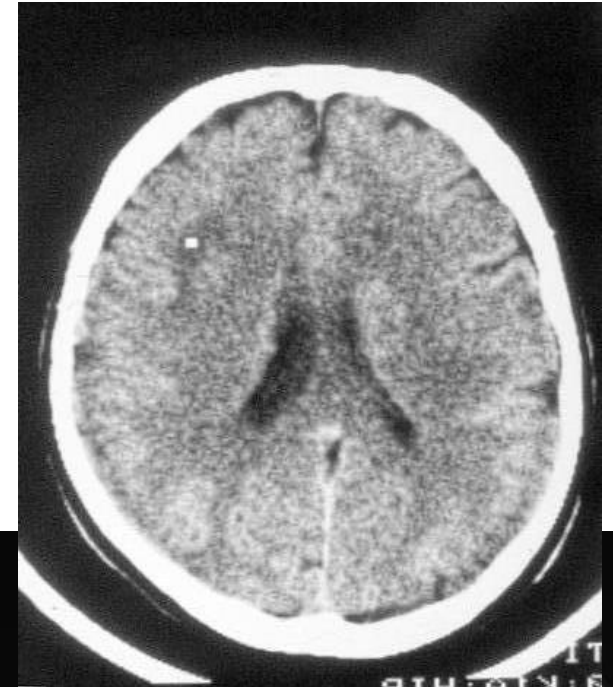
3 weeks ago:

- weakness of the right lower extremity

1 day ago:

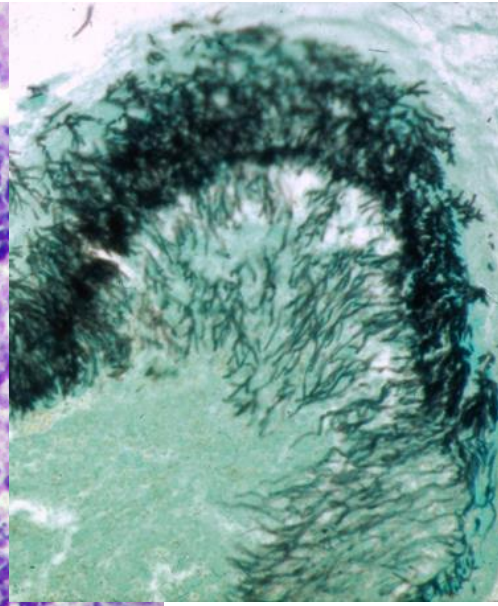
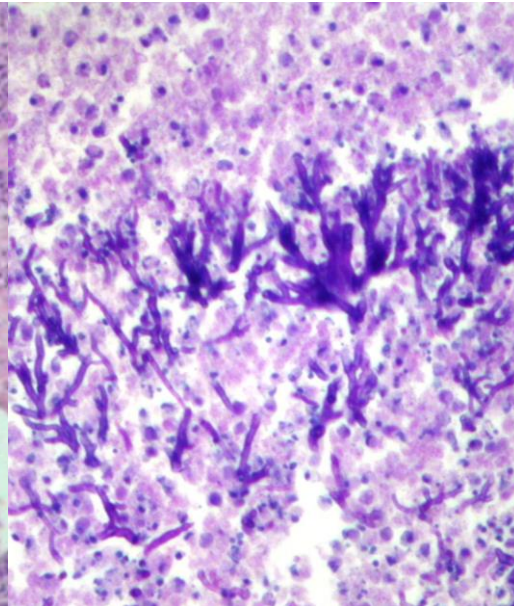
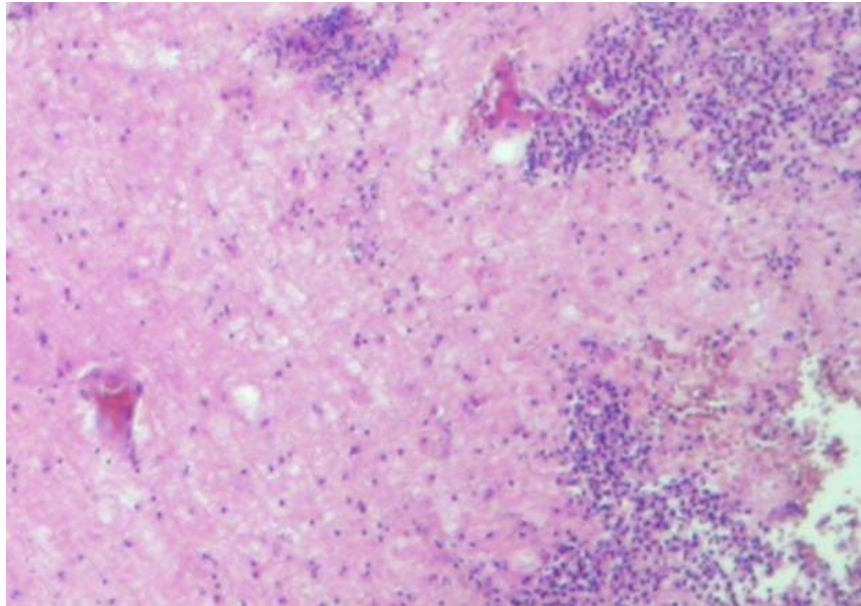
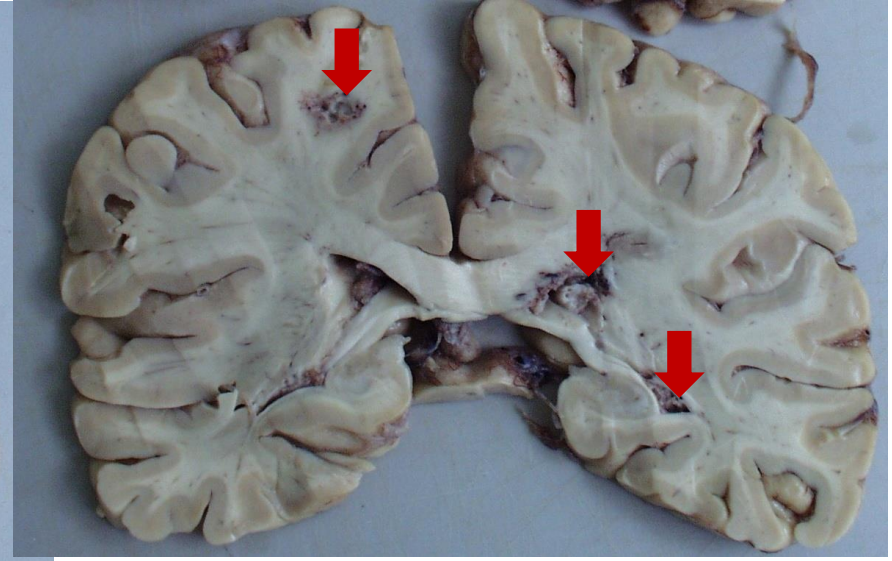
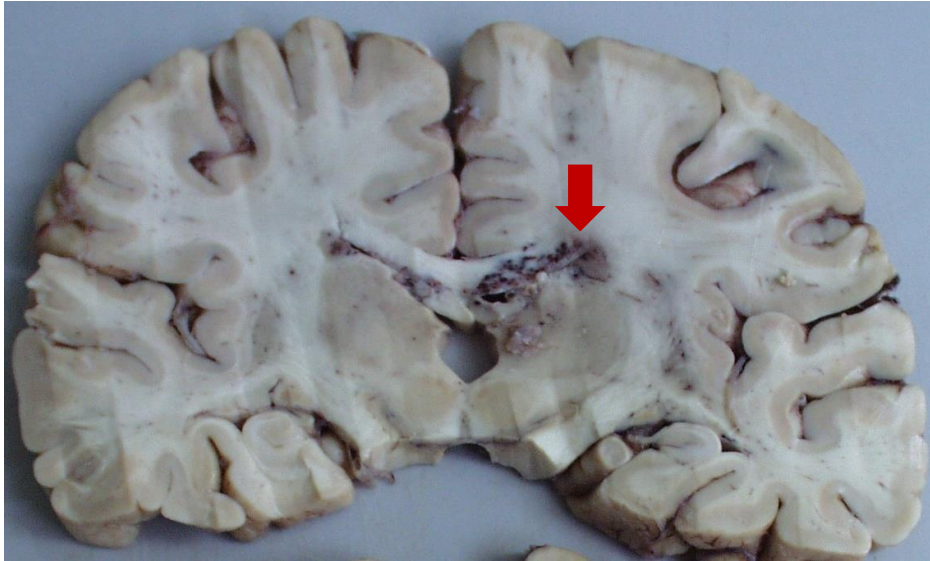
- stupor
- no fever

- | | |
|--------|-------------|
| ▪ CRP: | 51 mg/L |
| ▪ ESR: | 130 mm/h |
| ▪ Hgb: | 88.6 g/L |
| ▪ Htc: | 24.9 % |
| ▪ WBC: | 13.9 G/L |
| ▪ CN: | 25.3 mmol/L |
| ▪ LDH: | 667 U/L |



case

invasive CNS aspergillosis



primary immune deficiencies

1:250-500

infections	normal	pathological
frequency	<8-12/year	>8-12/year
severity	mild	severe
course	acute	chronic, relapses
residual signs	no	yes, chronic
relapse – same microbe	rare	yes
opportunistic infection	no	yes

10 red flags

1 ≥ 8 otitis within a year

6 recurrent abscesses (skin, organs)

2 ≥ 2 severe sinusitis within a year

7 persistent soor oris or other skin mucosis beyond 1 year of age

3 ≥ 2 antibiotic course for months without major effect

8 infections respond only to intravenous antibiotics

4 ≥ 2 pneumonia within a year

9 ≥ 2 progressing infections

5 infant does not grow, does not gain weight

10 positive family history

common variable immunodeficiency syndrome

34-year old female

- decreased IgG and IgA: IVIG monthly

CD19⁺ B cells:

1,9% (11.8±4.6)

CD4⁺ Th cells:

32,3% (45.2±8.7)

common variable immunodeficiency syndrome (CVID)

late-onset hypogammaglobulinemia
Giedion-Scheidtger deficiency
dysgammaglobulinemia

- heterogeneous group
- 1/25-66.000
- deficient Ab synthesis: IgA and IgG
- B cell number can be decreased
- deficient T cell function 50%
- mean age 25 years
- mortality 24 %

- recurrent pneumonia, bronchiectasy

- malignancy 11-13 %
 - lymphoma 18 %

role of immune system?

- autoimmune disease 22 %
 - granulomatous diseases
 - can mimic sarcoidosis

common variable immunodeficiency syndrome

34-year old female

- decreased IgG and IgA: IVIG monthly
- constant subfebrility, intermittent fever
- arthralgia
- ESR and hsCRP elevated, procalcitonine normal
- antibiotics are ineffective, steroid stops fever
- leukopenia, anaemia
- proteinuria
- abnormal liver and thyroid function

- asymmetric paresis
- distal muscle atrophy
- absent deep reflexes
- almost normal sensation

CD19⁺ B cells:

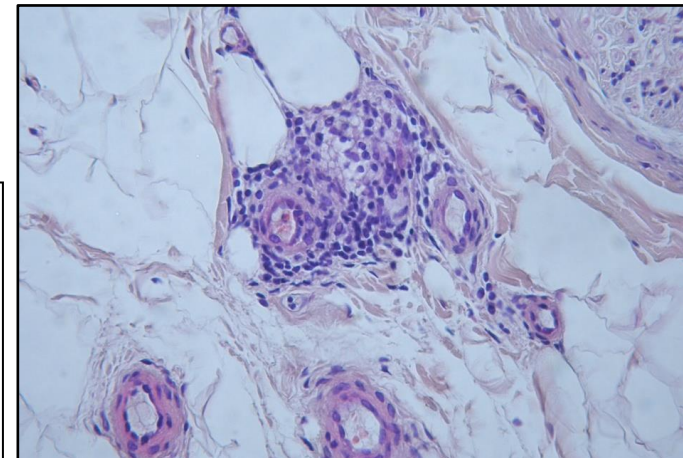
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CD4⁺ Th cells:

32,3% (45.2±8.7)

CVID + PNS vasculitis
(ANCA negative)

sural nerve



EMG

- axonal
- motor
- asymmmetric

case CVID plus vasculitis

42-year old female

- right loss of vision, retinal hemorrhage
- 3 months later generalized convulsion
- aphasia, right hemiparesis: recovery in 4 days after steroid
- CSF: 200/3 mononucl, 0.9 g/l, OCB
- brain MRI: small enhancing lesions

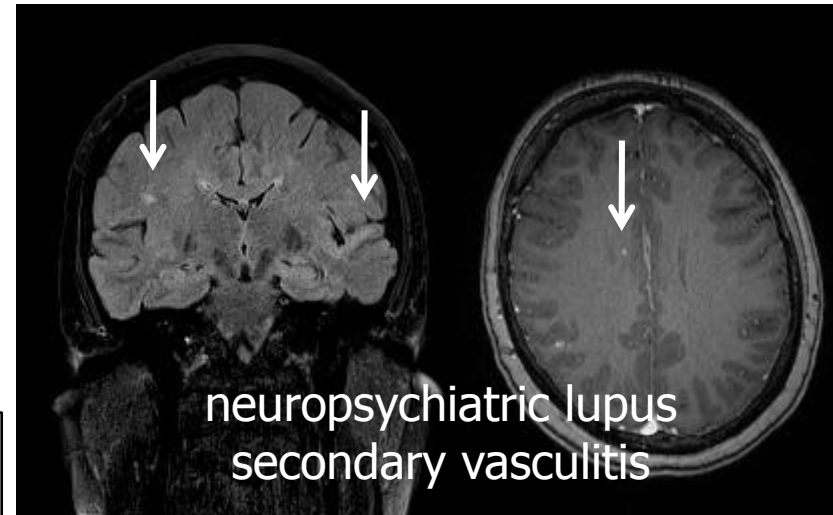
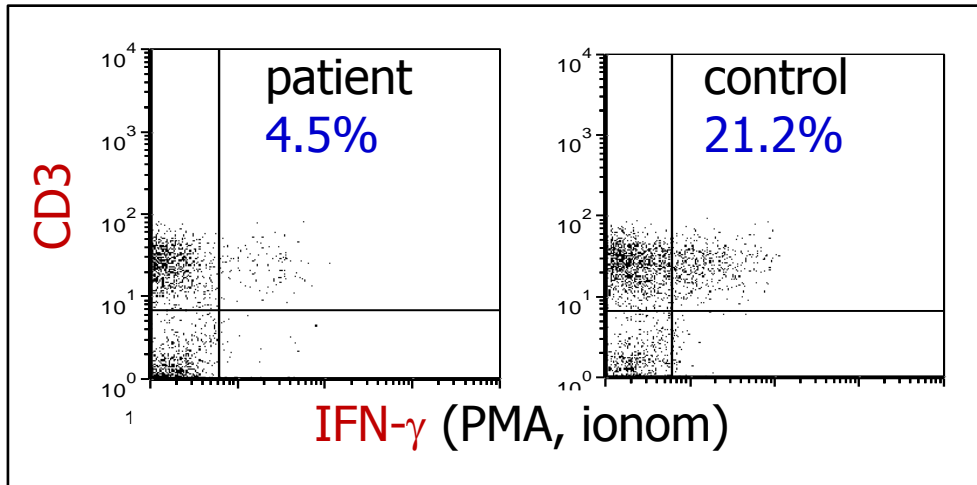
- CRP: 75 mg/l, mild anemia
- ANA, dsDNA increased
- chest CT: mild pulmonary fibrosis

azathioprine

3 months later:

- acute aphasia, convulsion
- loss of consciousness
- temporal MRI activity
- ????

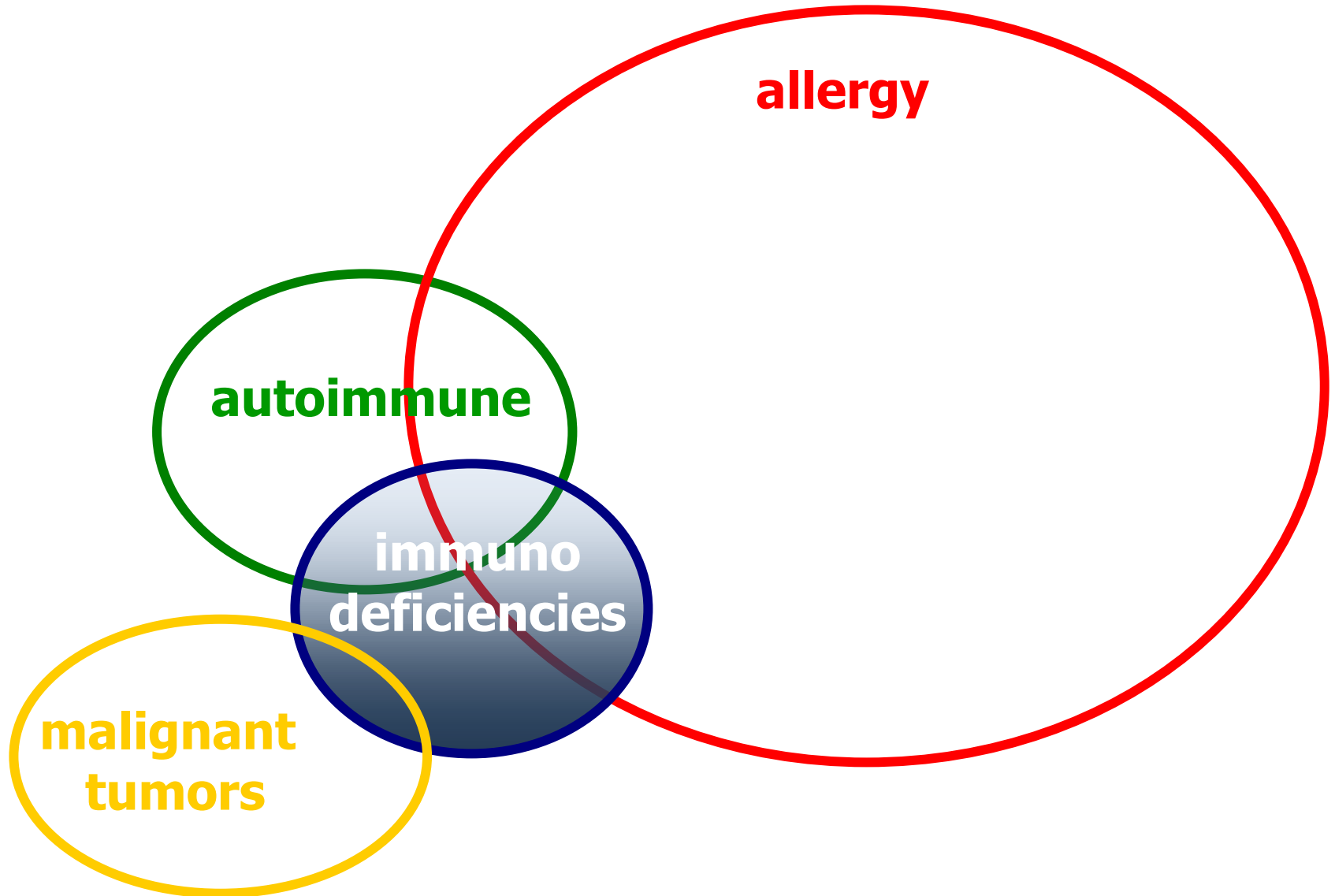
HSE



normal IgM
low IgG
low IgA

is it expected?
????

immunological diseases in children



immunodeficiencies: consequences

- infections
- lymphoproliferative diseases
 - mainly in T- and NK cell deficiencies
- allergy
- autoimmune diseases
 - arthritis, SLE, inflammatory bowel diseases
 - T-, B- and complement deficiencies

WHO classification

about 200 primary immunodeficiency syndrome

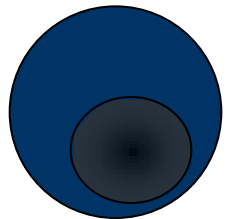
- B cell defect (antibodies) 65%
 - T cell/combined immunodeficiency 20%
 - phagocyte defects 9%
 - complement deficiency 4%
 - other 2%
-
- most common: IgA deficiency 1/400-700
(IVIG!)

antibody deficiencies (B cells)

- manifests at the age of 4-6 months or later (no maternal Igs)
- infections:
 - with polysaccharide capsules
 - *S. pneumoniae*, *H. influenzae*, *Mycoplasma catarrhalis*, *S. pyogenes*, *P aeruginosa*
 - otitis media, sinusitis, bronchitis, pneumonia, deep pustulous abscess
 -
- hypoplasia of lymphoid tissues:
 - autoimmune diseases
 - diffuse bronchiectasia

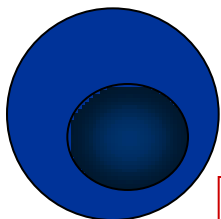
bone marrow

lymphoid line



haemopoetic stem cell
CD34+

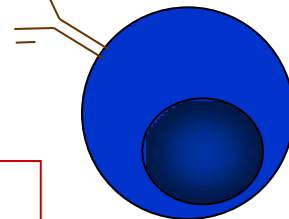
Pro-B-cell



AR agamma-globulinaemia
RAG1, RAG2,
Ig α , Ig μ , γ 5, BLNK

Pre-B-cell

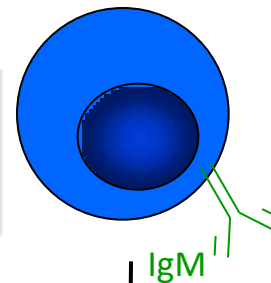
Pre BCR



X-linked agammaglobulinemia
Btk

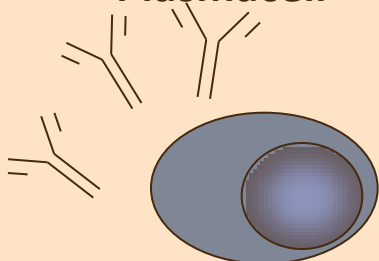
negative selection
receptor maturation

Immature-B-cell

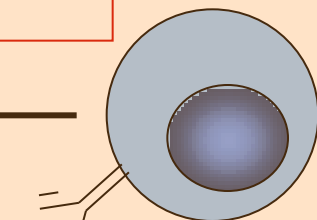


periphery

Plasmacell



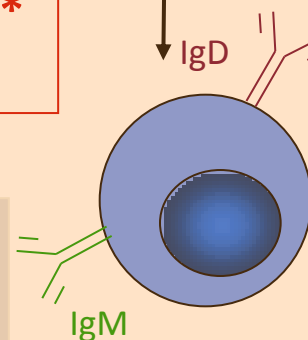
CVID
ICOS, BAFFR,
CD19, TACI



B-Lymphoblast
(activated B-cell)

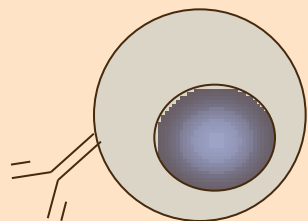
IgA deficiency,
IgG subclass deficiency
Specific Ab deficiency
Hyper-IgM syndrome*
CD40, AID, UNG, IKK- γ

Ig class switch
somatic hypermutation
affinity maturation



Mature-B-cell

Memory B-cell



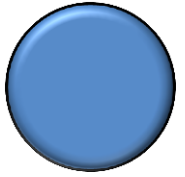
severe combined immunodeficiencies (SCID)

- no gain of weight
- unusual or unusually severe infections
- uncontrollable diarrhoe
- eczema, soor
- abnormal bones
- hepatosplenomegalia
- malignant tumors

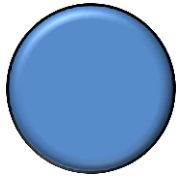
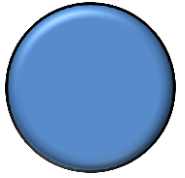
check:

- immunoglobulins
- T cell number and function
- NK cell number and function

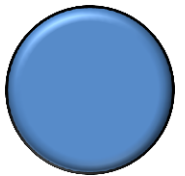
NK-cell



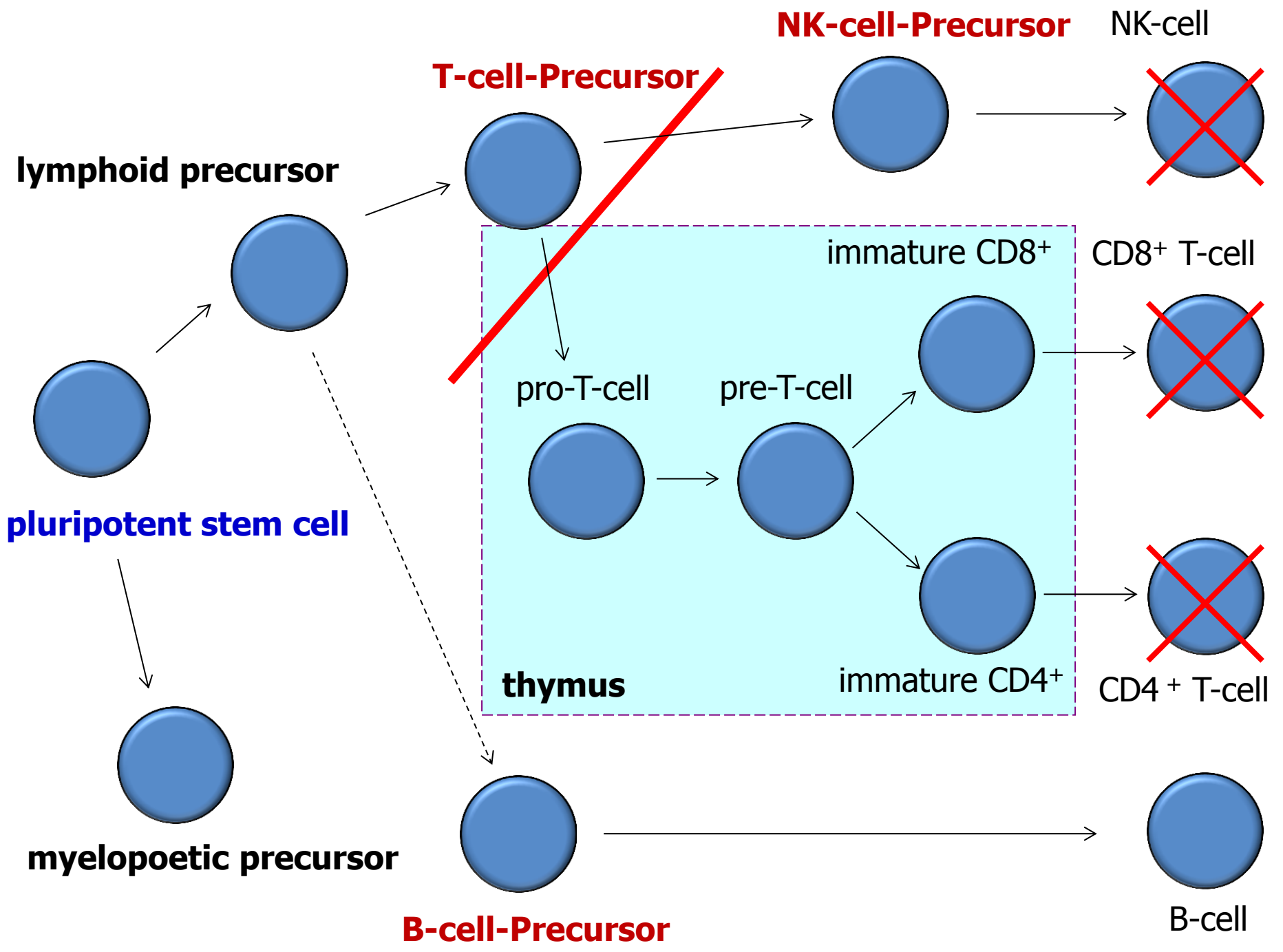
CD8⁺ T-cell

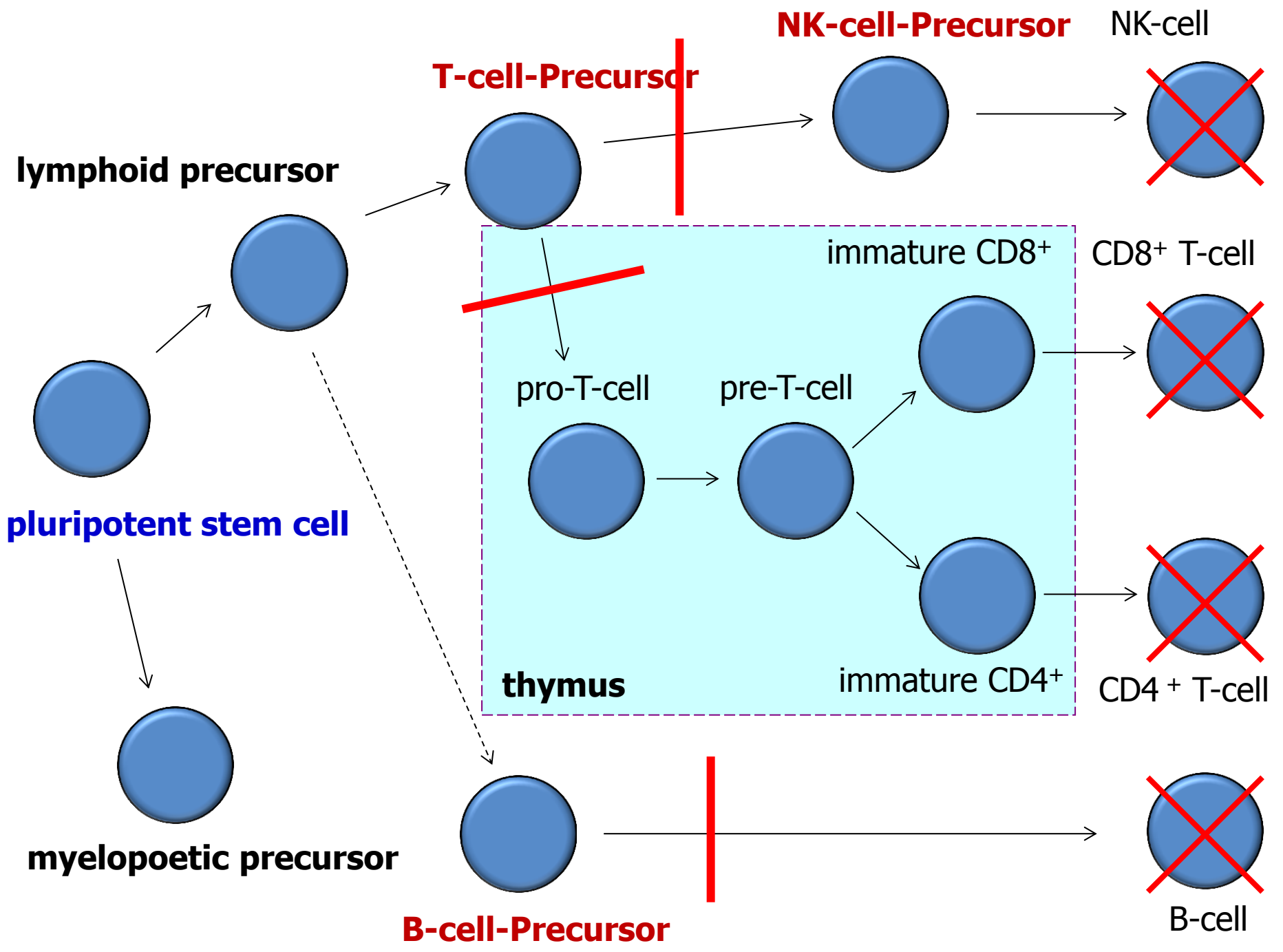


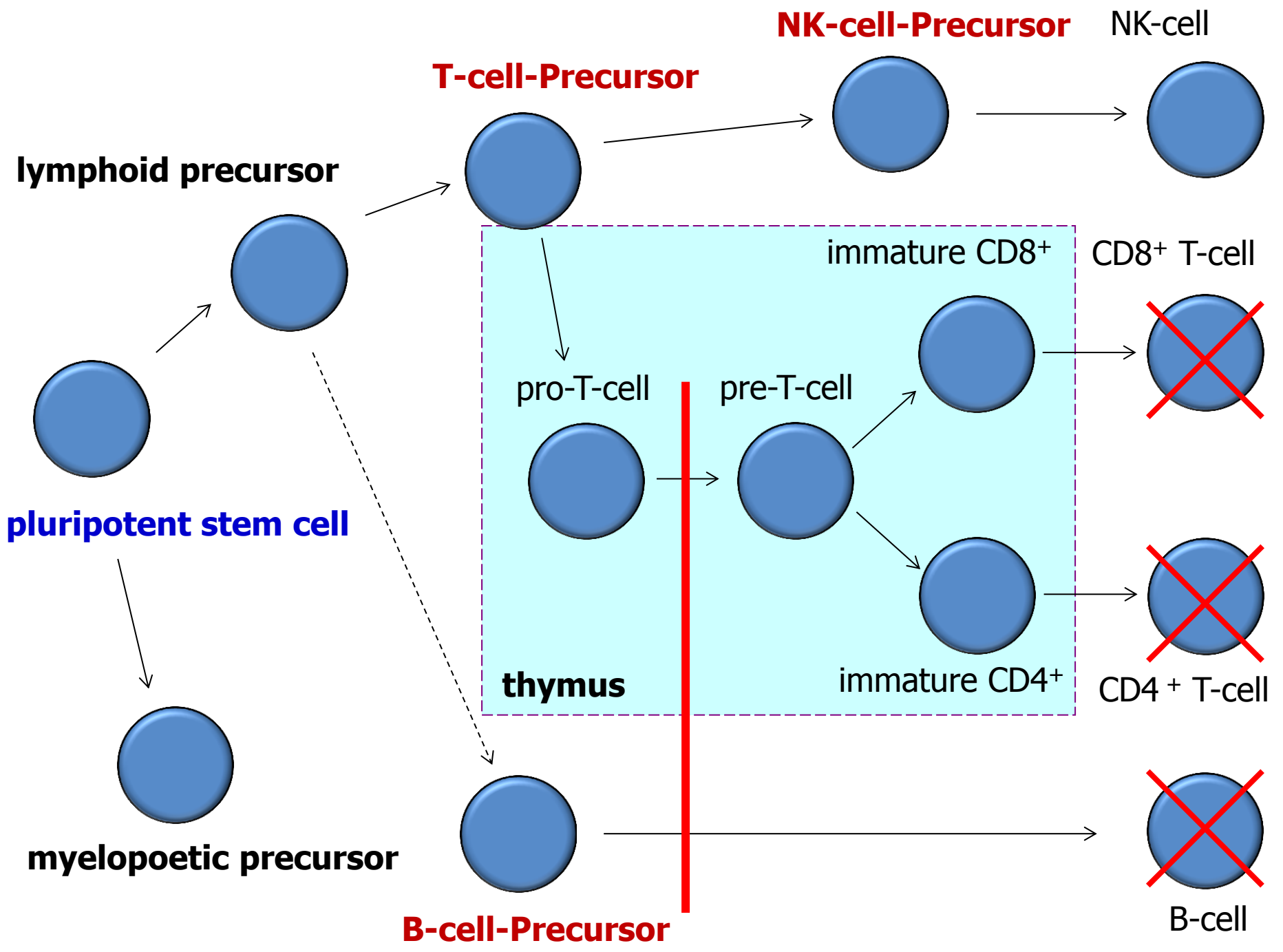
CD4⁺ T-cell

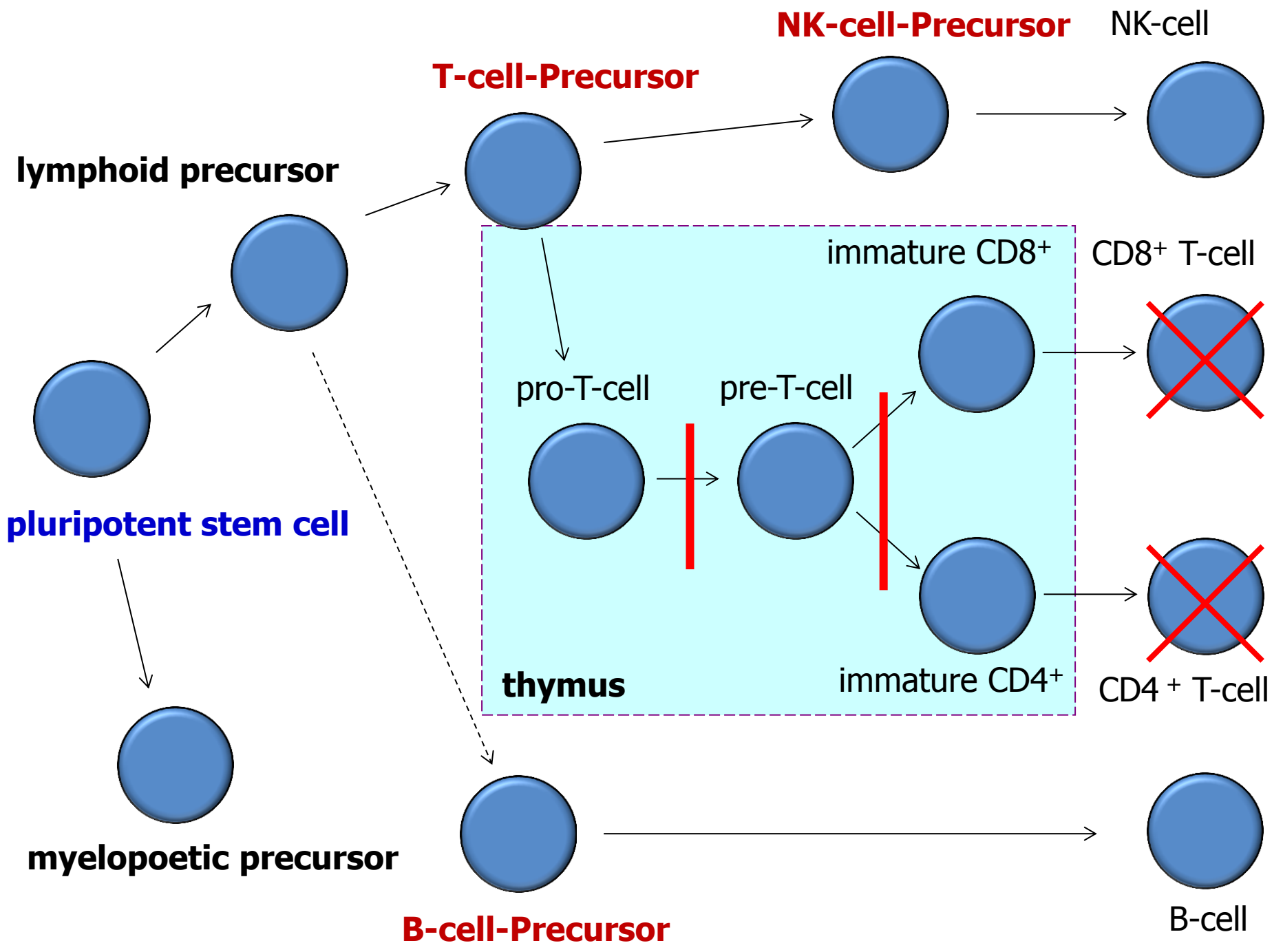


B-cell









„secondary“ NMDA receptor encephalitis

69-year old male

- herpes simplex encephalitis: fever, aphasia

5 months later: epilepsy, aphasia, cognitive decline, desorientation

CSF

- OCB
- elevated IgG index

?

anti-NMDAR IgG antibodies

- CSF strongly positive
- serum weakly positive

PLEX 5x

methylprednisolone

- rapid improvement

another case:

NMDAR encephalitis after brain trauma



secondary autoimmunity: herpes simplex encephalitis

44 patients with HSE

- 30%: NMDAR antibodies in sera *or* CSF
- 14%: only in CSF
- Ig downregulate NMDA receptors in culture

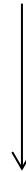
children: relapse in 25%

9 children, 3 relapsing with chorea
Abs against NMDAR, D2R or both

response to acyclovir: viral reactivation

no response to acyclovir, no virus

- sometimes new symptoms (choreoathetosis)



HSV triggers brain autoimmunity:

- NMDAR antibodies after HSV, before relapse
- such relapses respond to immunotherapy
- antibodies against other uncharacterized neuronal cell surface antigens

„if you hear hoofbeats think of horses not zebras“
...use your common sense...

Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson are hiking. They set up the tent, and go to sleep. Holmes wakes his friend up in a few hours:

„Watson, please, look up at the sky and tell me what you see!“

„I see millions of stars.“

„And what does it mean?“

Watson is thinking, then replies:

„From astronomical point it means that millions of galaxies and billions of stars are existing. From astrological point it means that the Saturn is in the Lion. As for time, it is 4 am. From theological point it means that the Lord is almighty, and we are small and insignificant. From meteorological point we can hope a nice weather tomorrow. And what does it tell *you*?“

„Watson, you idiot. Somebody stole our tent.“

„differential diagnostic tent effect“

THANK YOU



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