



B-lymphocyte Development

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Overview: Immune system

Protection

**Defect:
immunodeficiency**

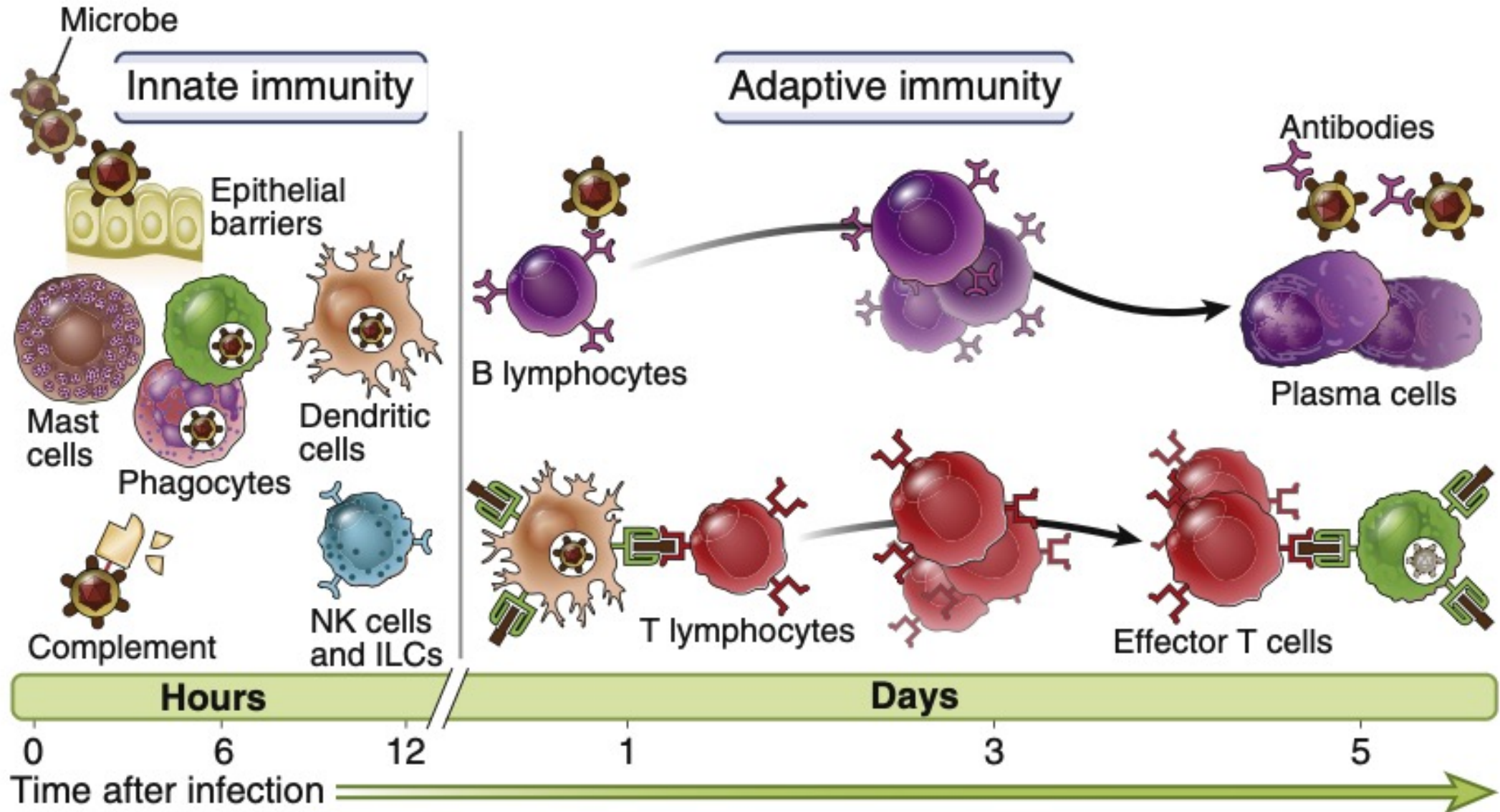
**Hyper-response:
allergic disease**

Surveillance

**Abnormal cells:
malignancy**

**Defect self
detecting protein:
autoimmune
disease**

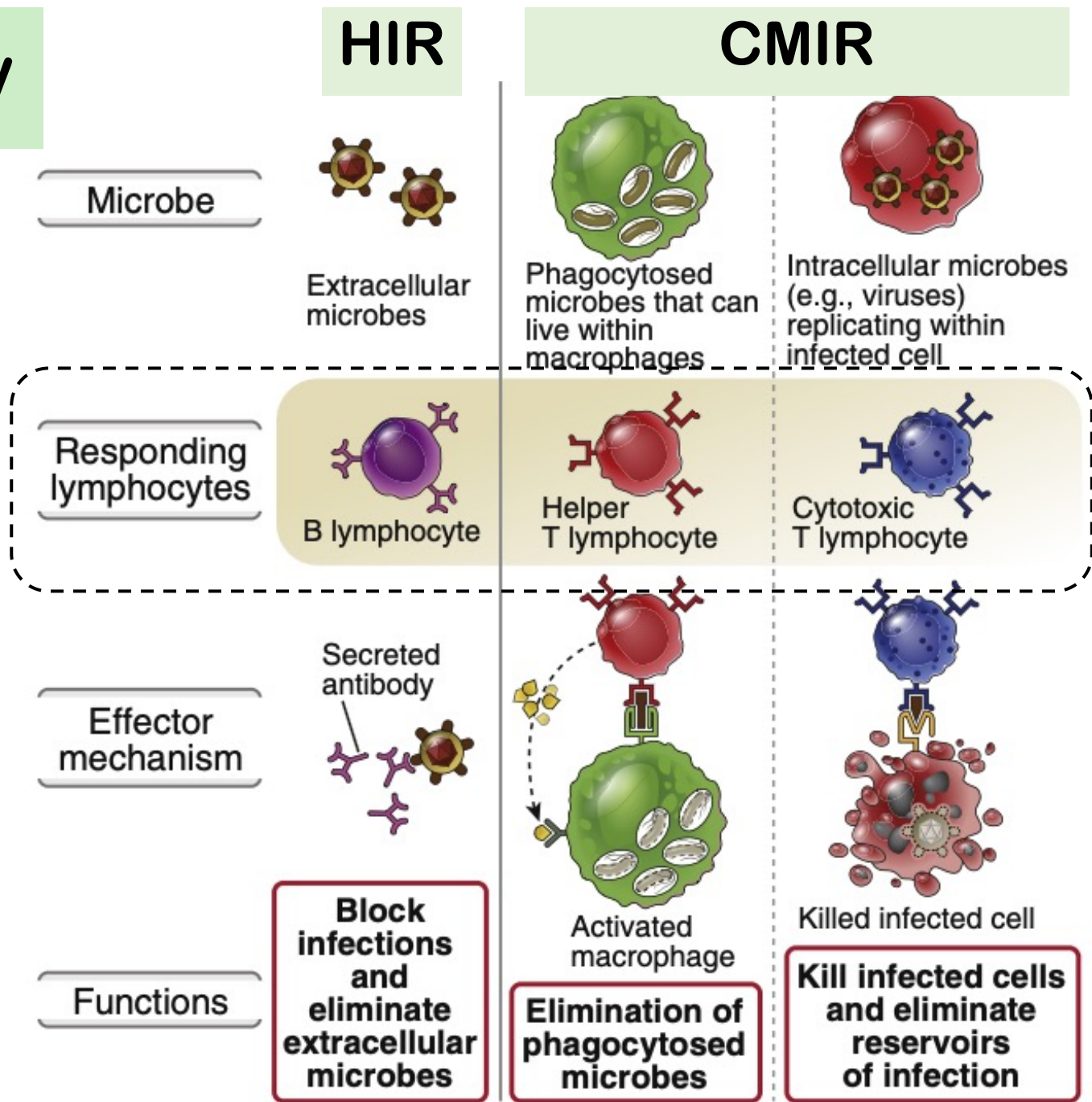
Principal mechanisms of innate and adaptive immunity



Types of adaptive immunity

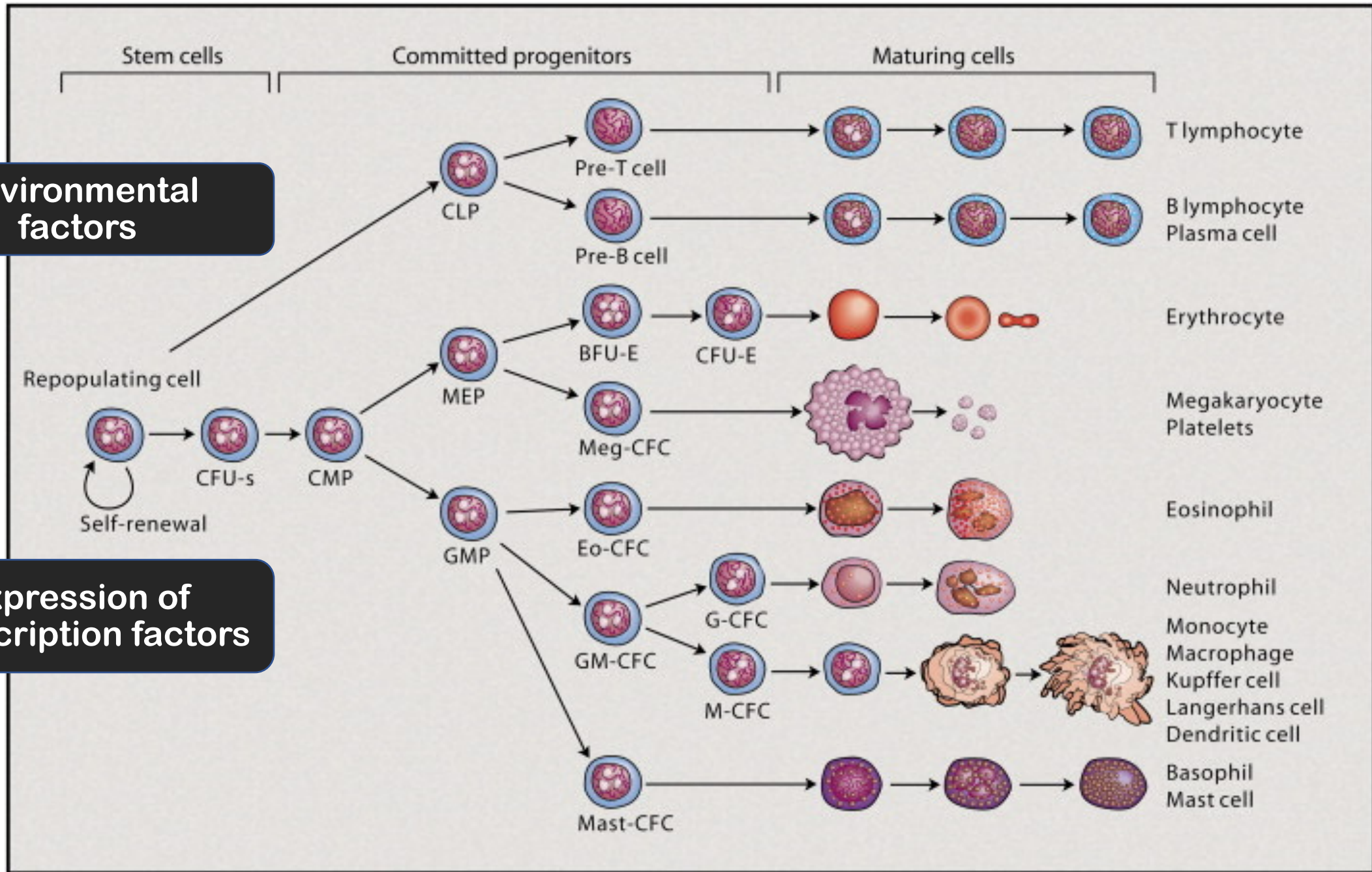
Lymphocytes play major role for adaptive immunity.

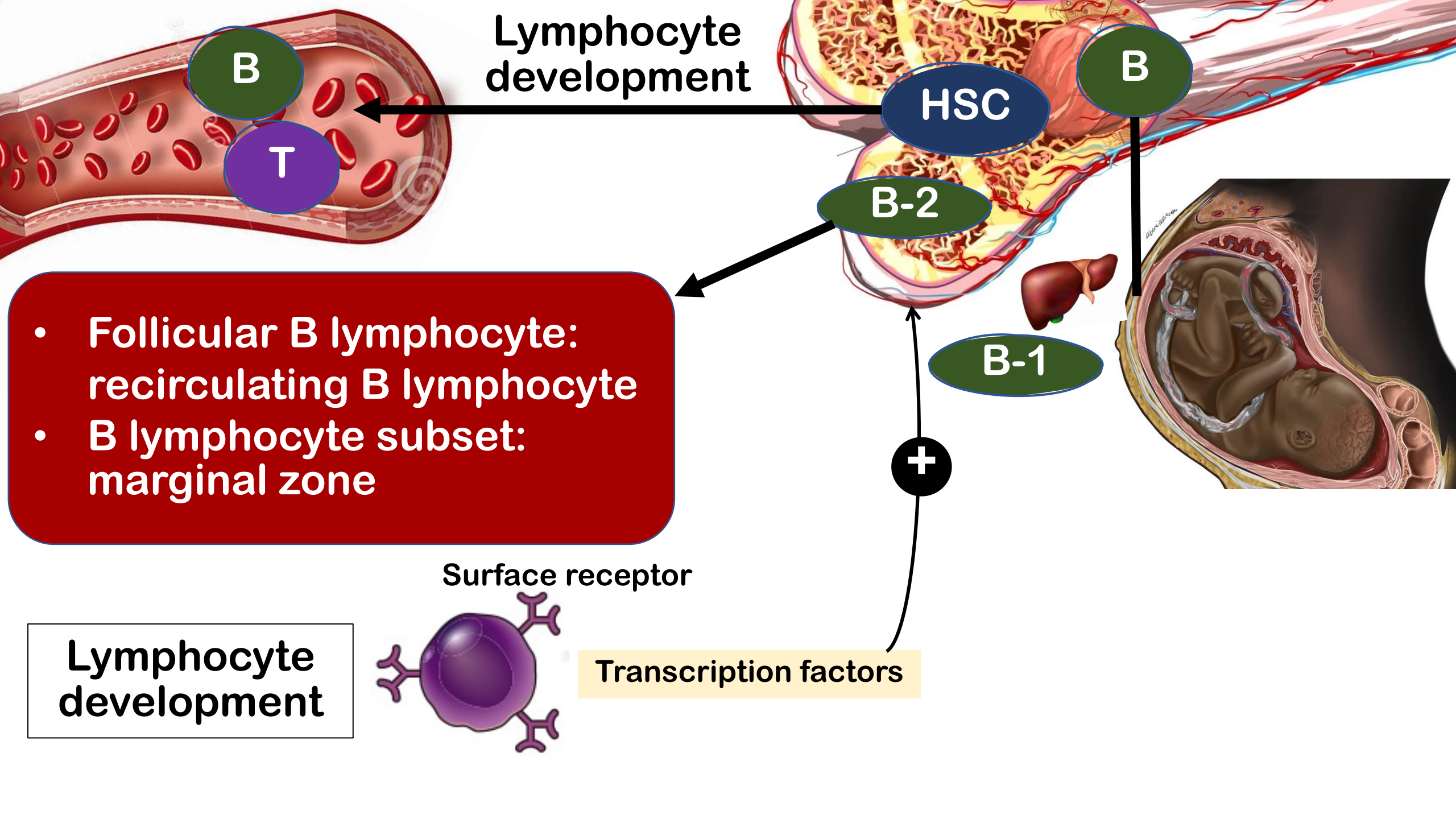
Where are lymphocyte come from ???



Environmental factors

Expression of transcription factors





Lymphocyte development

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HSC

B

B-2

B-1

+

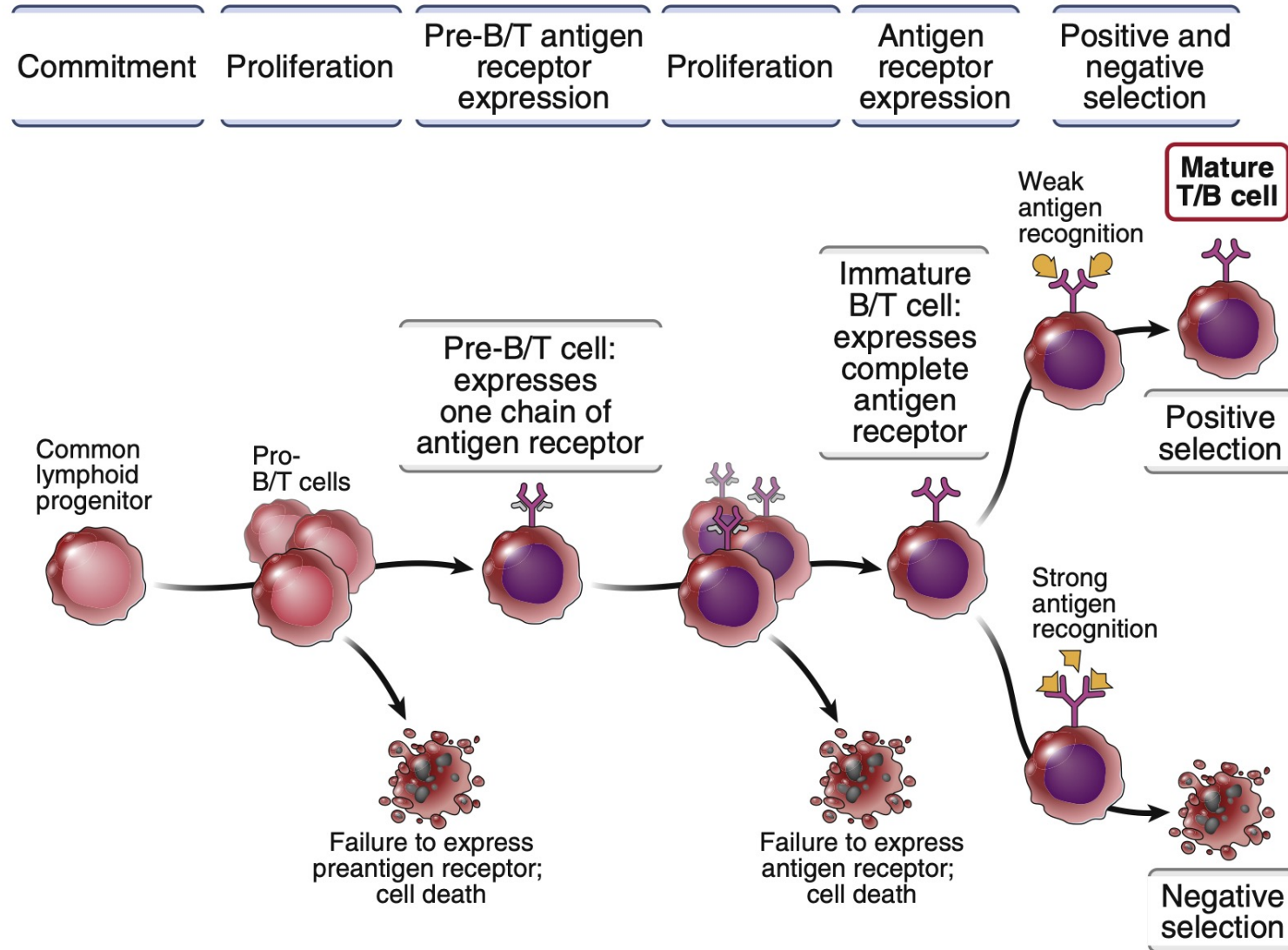
Transcription factors

Surface receptor

- Follicular B lymphocyte: recirculating B lymphocyte
- B lymphocyte subset: marginal zone

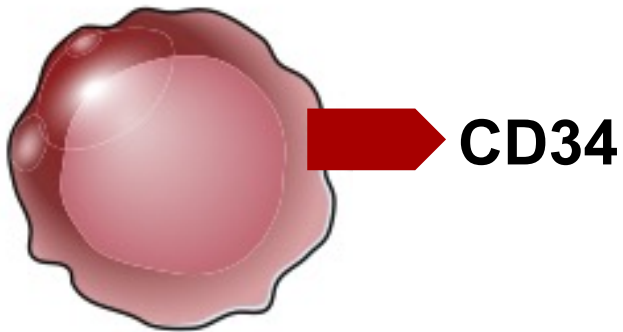
Lymphocyte development

Steps in maturation of lymphocytes

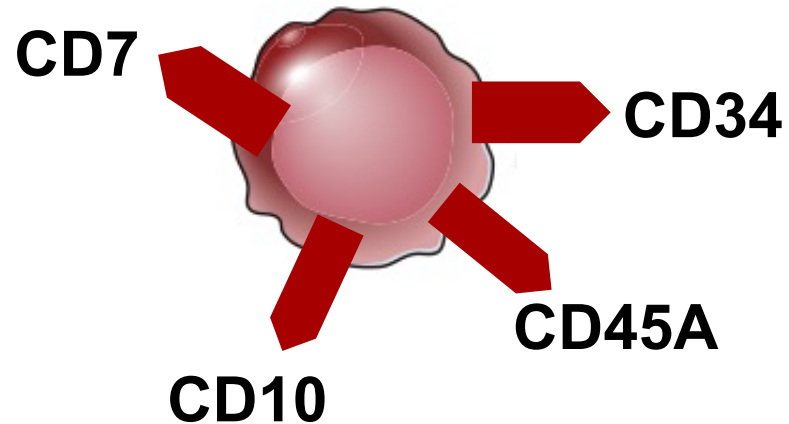


First Steps is commitment

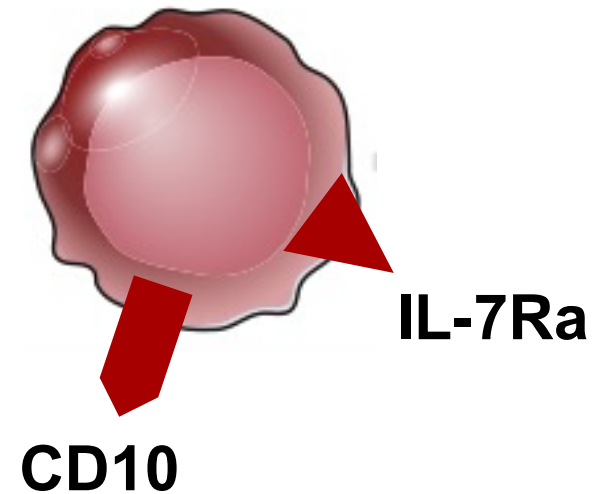
Hematopoietic
stem cells



Common
lymphoid
progenitor

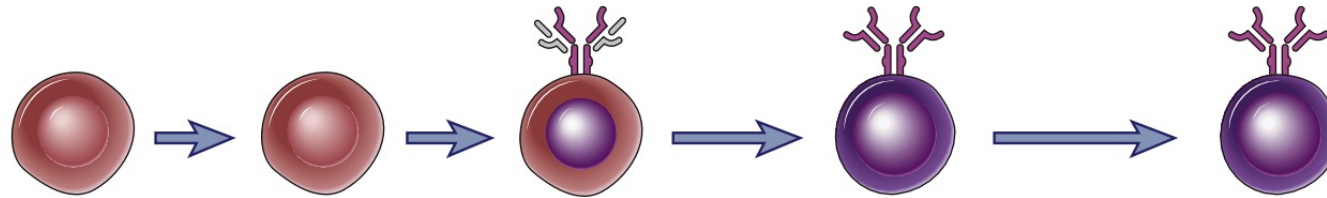


B-cell precursor



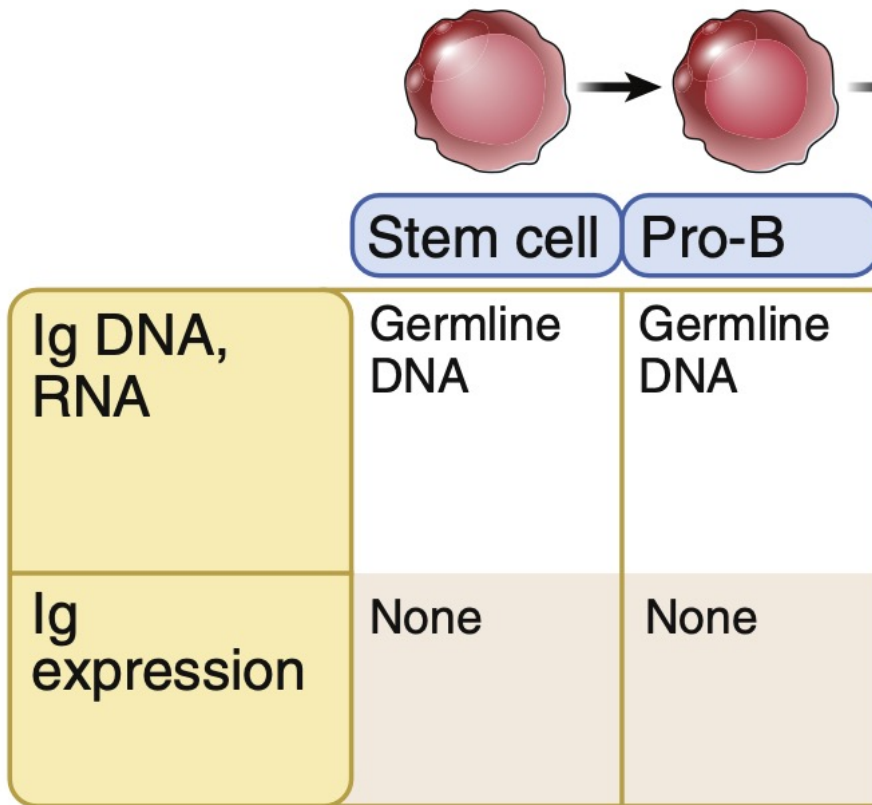
The cluster of differentiation (CD) is group of surface protein used for the identification and investigation of cell surface molecules present on leukocytes.

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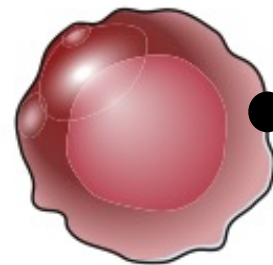


Stage of maturation	Stem cell	Pro-B	Pre-B	Immature B	Mature B
Proliferation	[Grey bar]			[Grey bar]	
RAG expression			[Grey bar]	[Grey bar]	
TdT expression		[Grey bar]			
Ig DNA, RNA	Unrecombined (germline) DNA	Unrecombined (germline) DNA	Recombined H chain gene (VDJ); μ mRNA	Recombined H chain gene (VDJ), κ or λ genes (VJ); μ or κ or λ mRNA	Alternative splicing of VDJ-C RNA (primary transcript), to form C_{μ} and C_{δ} mRNA
Ig expression	None	None	Cytoplasmic μ and pre-B receptor-associated μ	Membrane IgM (μ + κ or λ light chain)	Membrane IgM and IgD
Surface markers	CD43 ⁺	CD43 ⁺ CD19 ⁺ CD10 ⁺	B220 ^{lo} CD43 ⁺	IgM ^{lo} CD43 ⁻	IgM ^{hi}
Anatomic site	[Grey bar] Bone marrow			[Grey bar] Periphery	
Response to antigen	None	None	None	Negative selection (deletion), receptor editing	Activation (proliferation and differentiation)

Early B Lymphocytes Maturation



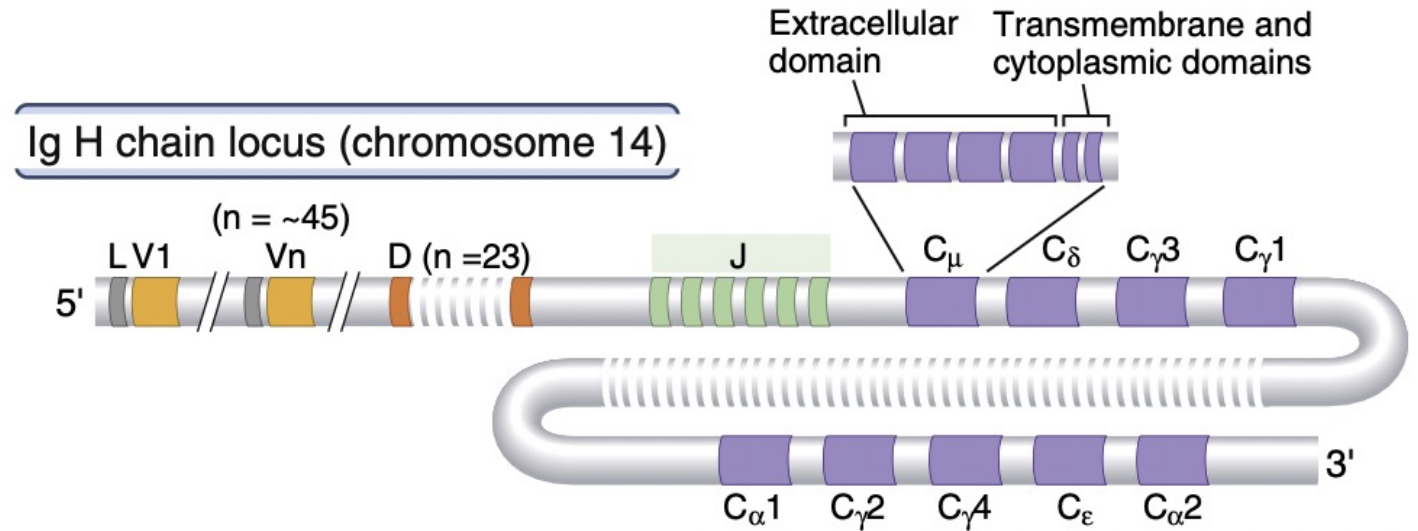
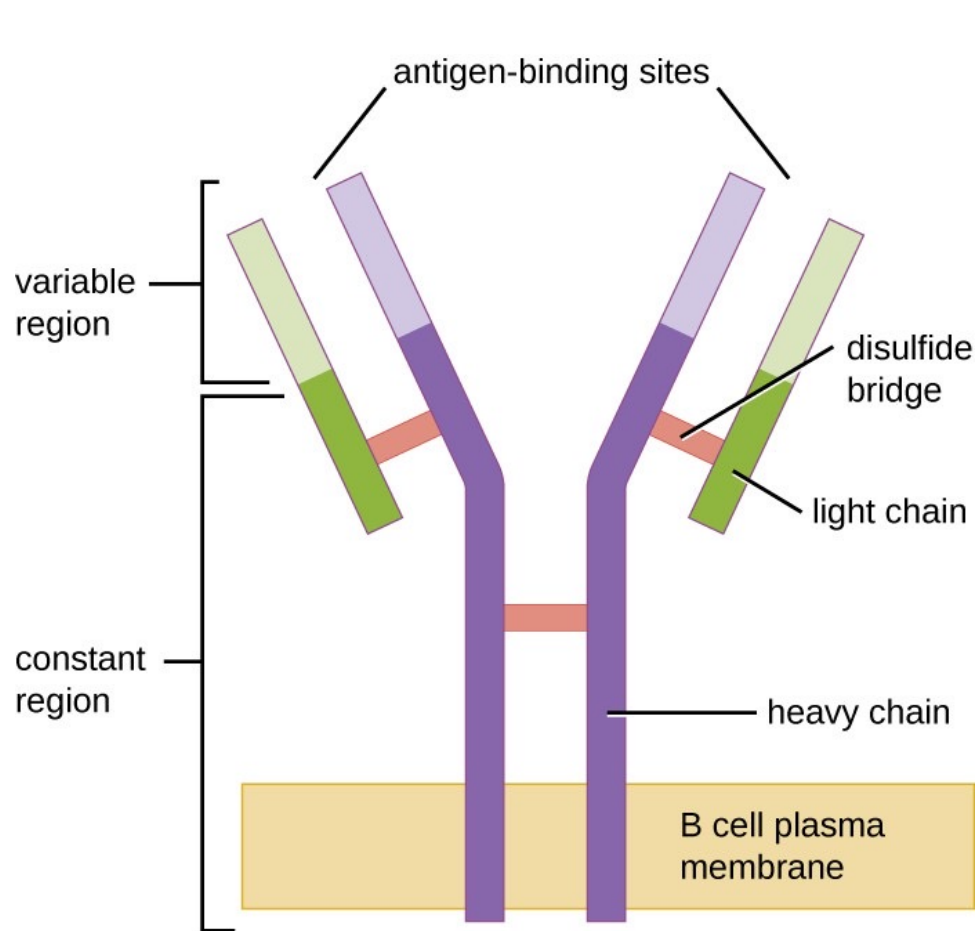
- The Ig heavy- chain locus rearranges **first**
- Only cells that are able to make an Ig μ heavy-chain protein are selected to survive and become pre-B cells.
- Require IL-3, IL-7, IGF-1



No surface Ig or BCR

Pro-B cells

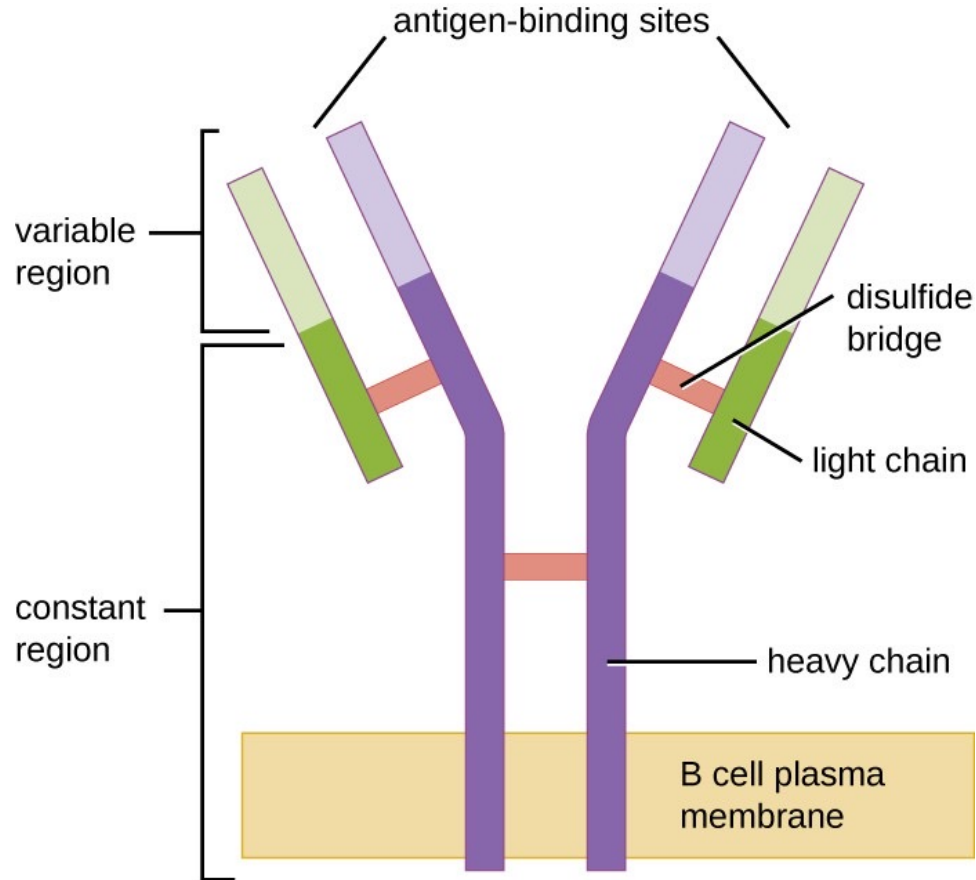
B Cell Receptor or surface immunoglobulin structure



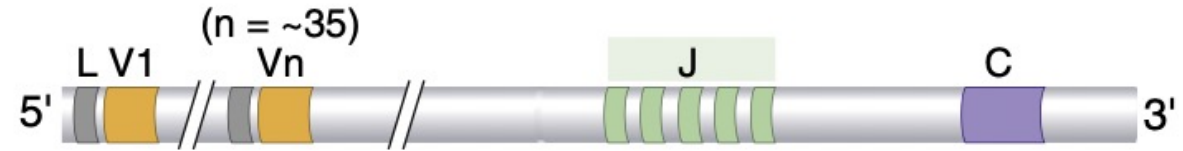
- **Heavy chain:** 300 V, 20 D, 5J segments
 - D-J recombination
 - V-DJ recombination

Two heavy chains and two light chains

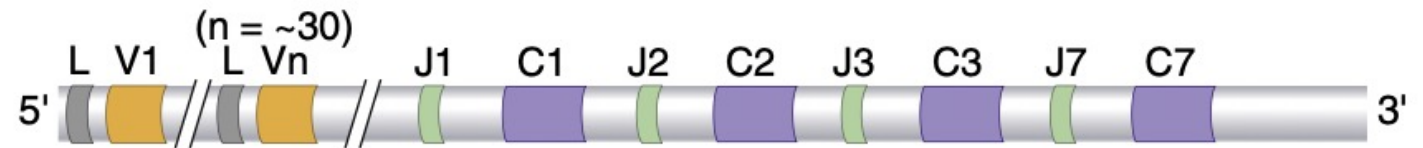
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Ig κ chain locus (chromosome 2)

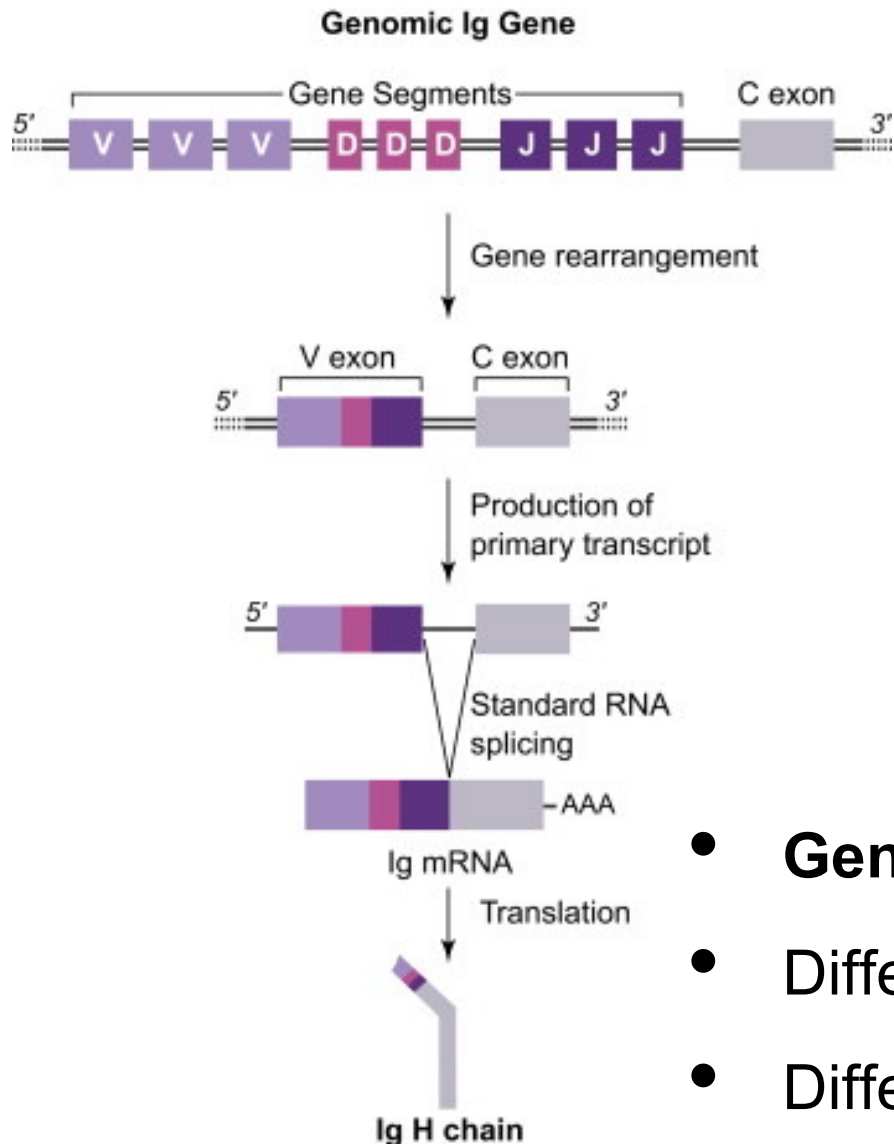


Ig λ chain locus (chromosome 22)



- **Light chain: V-J recombination**
 - 100 V, 4J segments

Gene rearrangement



Removal unwanted D and J segment

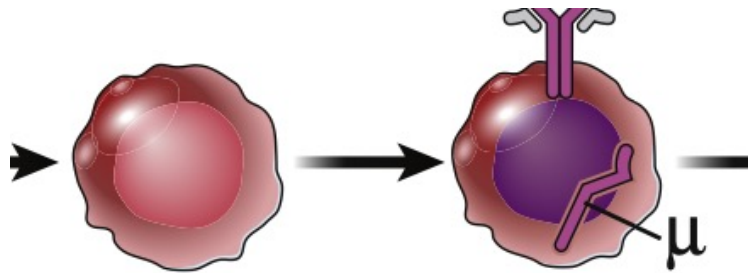
Recombination D and J exon

Removal unwanted V and D segment

Recombination V and DJ exon

- **Gene rearrangement** make different protein “**Diversity**”
- Different heavy chain $300 \times 20 \times 5 = 30,000$ heavy chains
- Different light chain $100 \times 4 = 400$ light chains

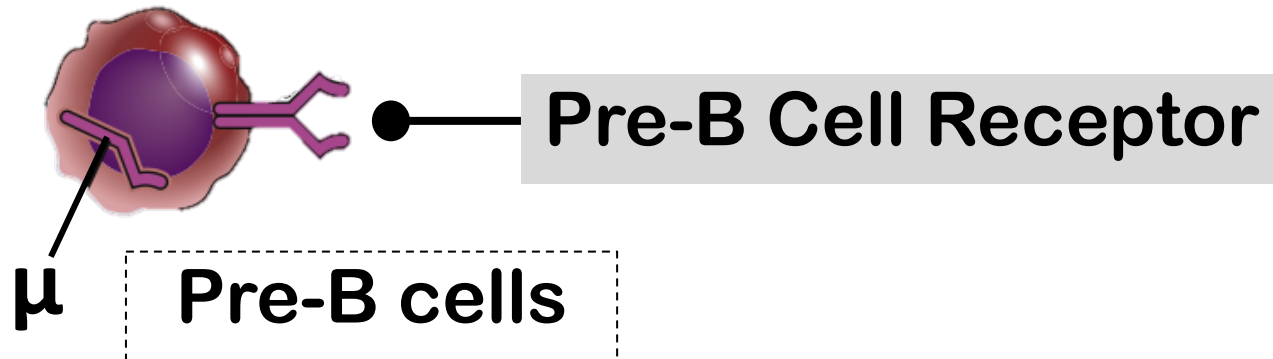
Pro-B lymphocyte to Pre-B lymphocyte



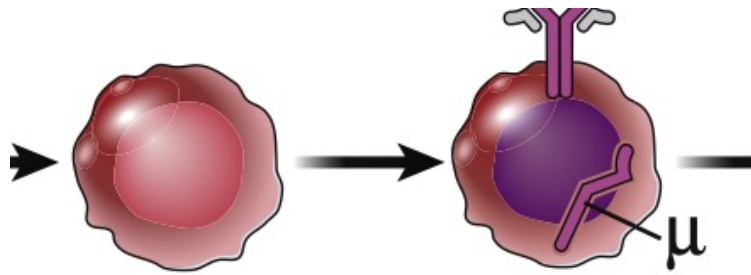
Pro-B	Pre-B
Germline DNA	Recombined H chain gene (VDJ); μ mRNA
None	Cytoplasmic μ and pre-B receptor-associated μ

- Expressed by μ , RAG1, RAG2, Ig α , Ig μ , $\lambda 5$, *BLNK* gene
- Defective cell-surface expression of Ig μ : arrest of B-cell differentiation at the CD19+, CD34+, TdT+ pro-B-cell stage.

Agammaglobulinemia



Pro-B lymphocyte to Pre-B lymphocyte

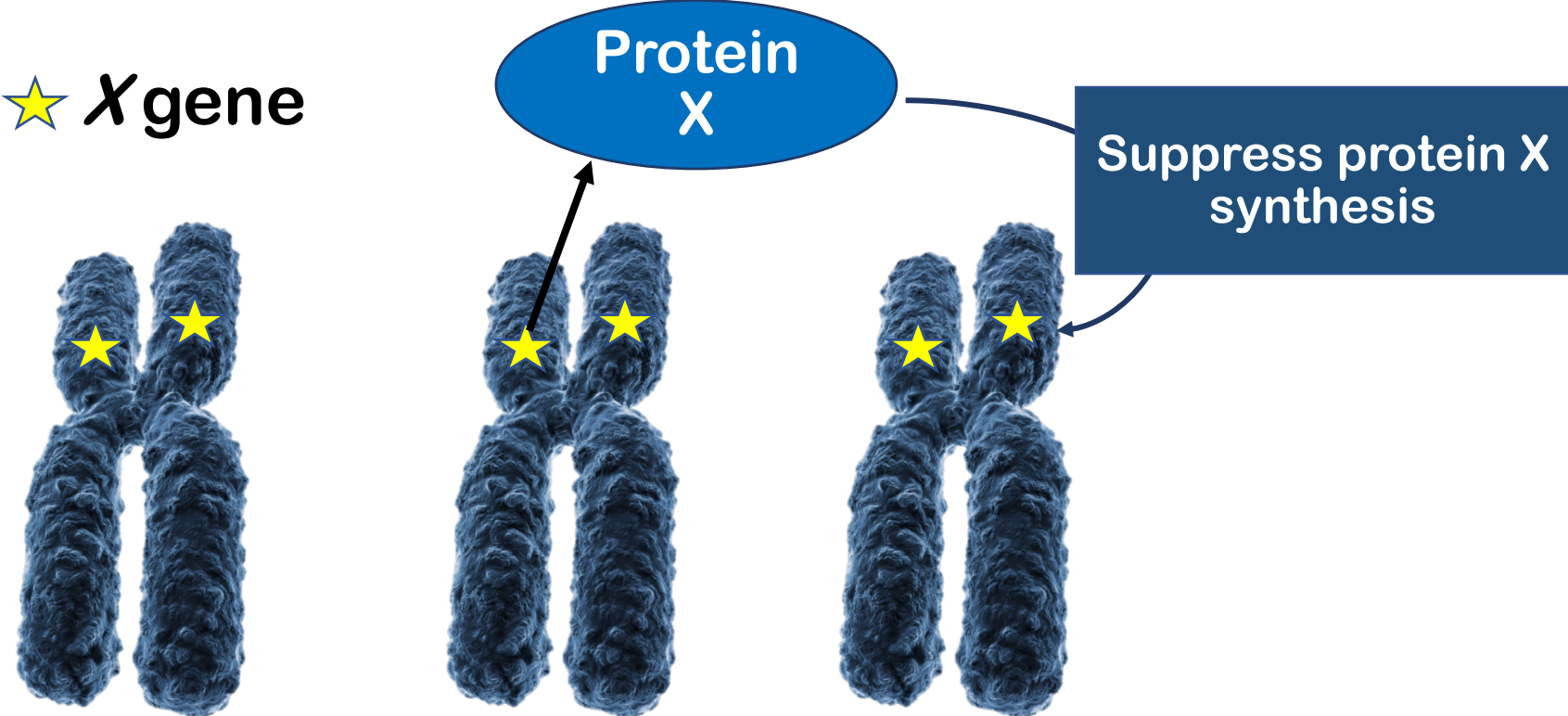


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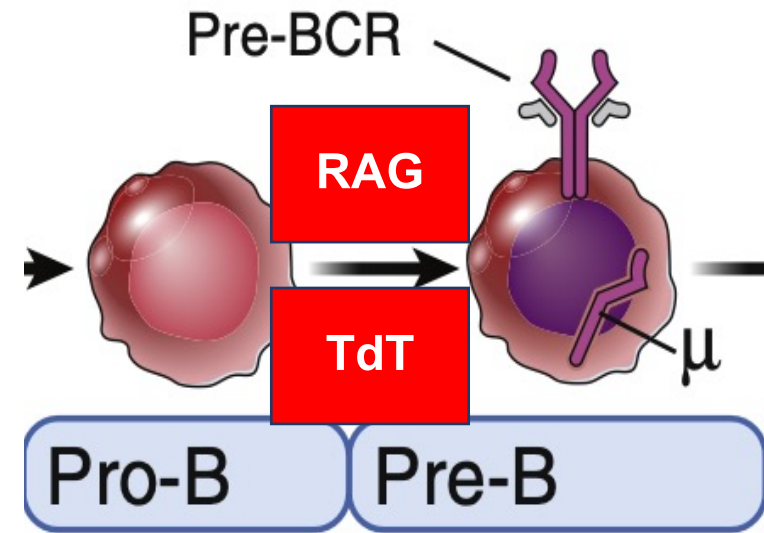
- μ mRNA to μ chain
- **Allelic exclusion** plays major role.
- No light chain

★ X gene



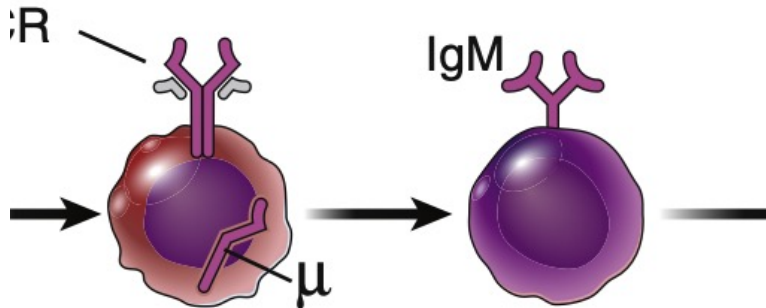
Gene rearrangement

- “Diversity of B/T lymphocytes”
- **RAG: Recombinant-activating gene**
 - RAG1/ RAG2
 - Gene rearrangement at antigen-specific B lymphocyte receptor
- **TdT: Terminal deoxynucleotidyl Transferase**
 - Add nucleotide at terminal DNA



μ chain and surrogate light chain = **Pre-B cell receptor**

Pre-B lymphocyte to Immature B lymphocyte

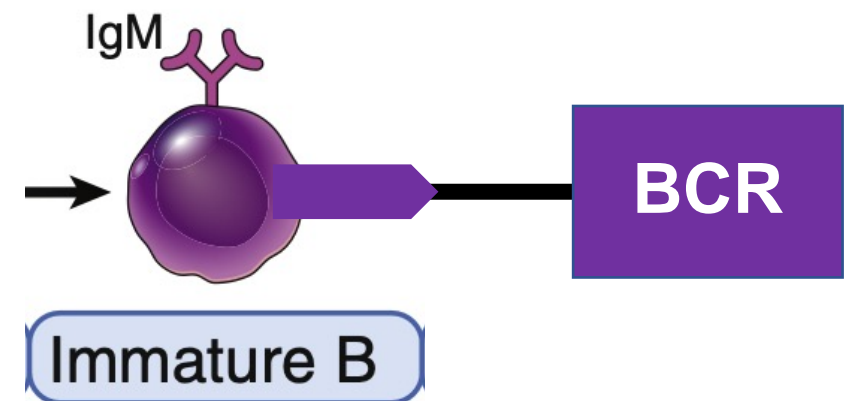


Pre-B	Immature B
Recombined H chain gene (VDJ); μ mRNA	Recombined H chain gene, κ or λ genes; μ and κ or λ mRNA
Cytoplasmic μ and pre-B receptor-associated μ	Membrane IgM ($\mu+\kappa$ or λ light chain)

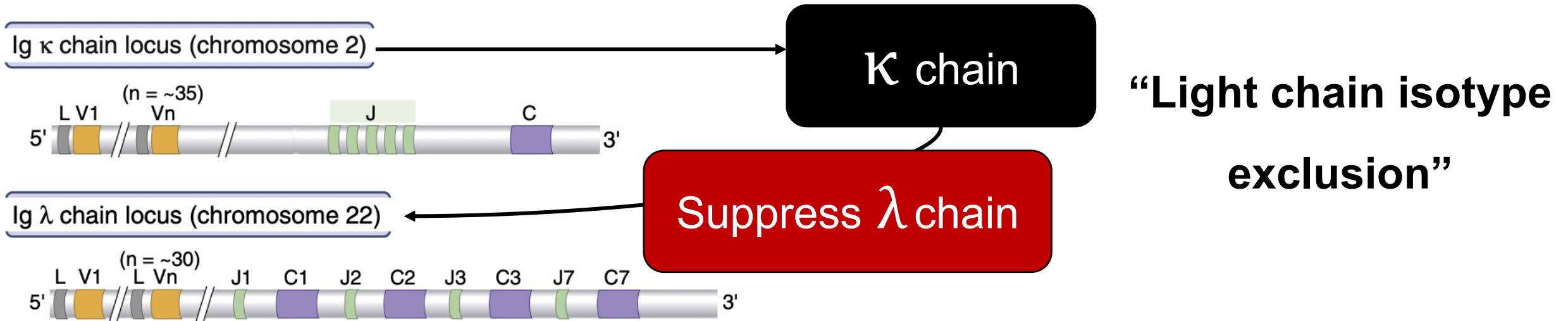
- Gene rearrangement of light chain
- Membrane IgM and BTK gene
- Allelic exclusion
- Decrease surrogate light chain
- Increase Pre-B lymphocyte

Light chain

μ gene



Pre-B lymphocyte to Immature B lymphocyte

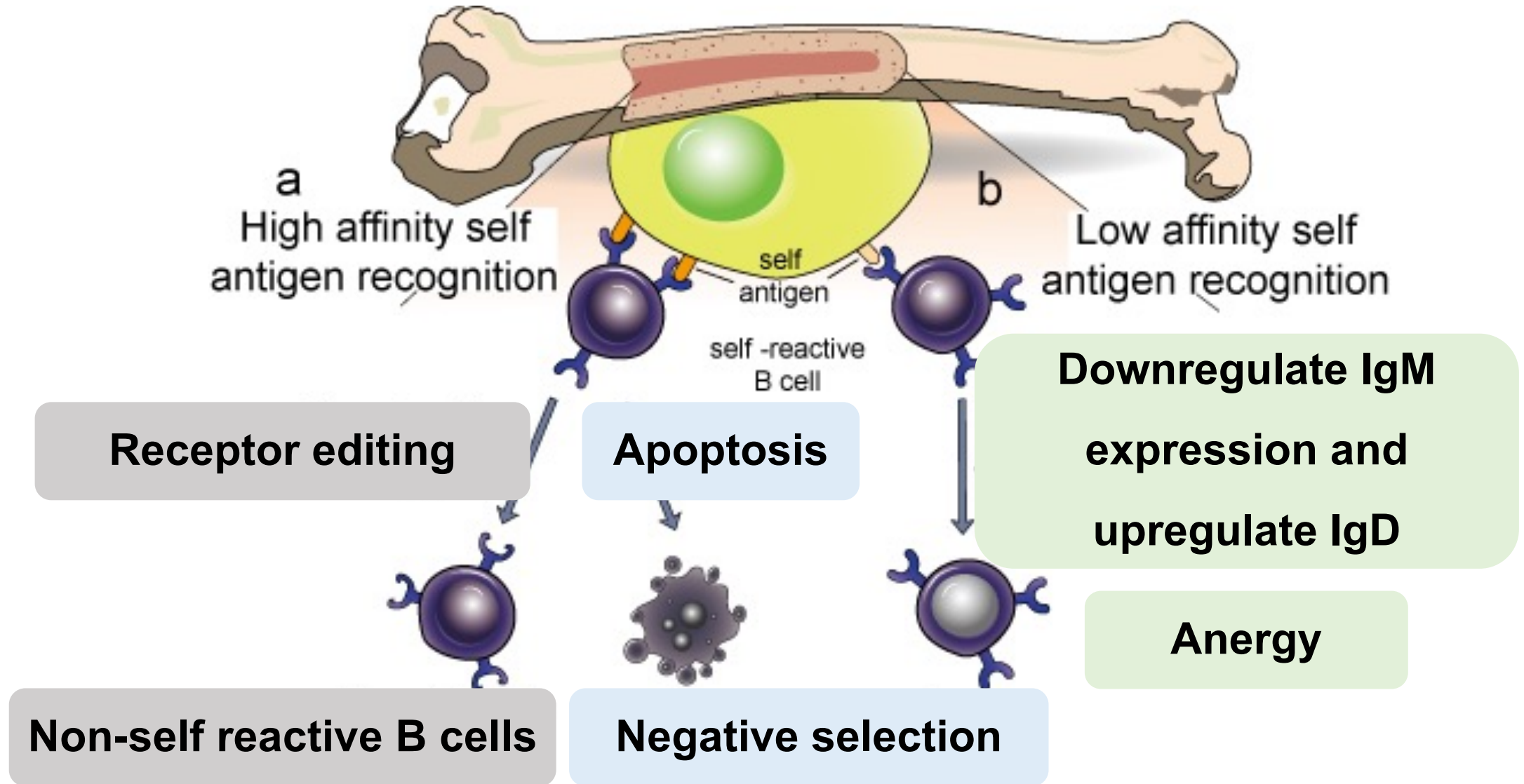


Impaired κ Chain

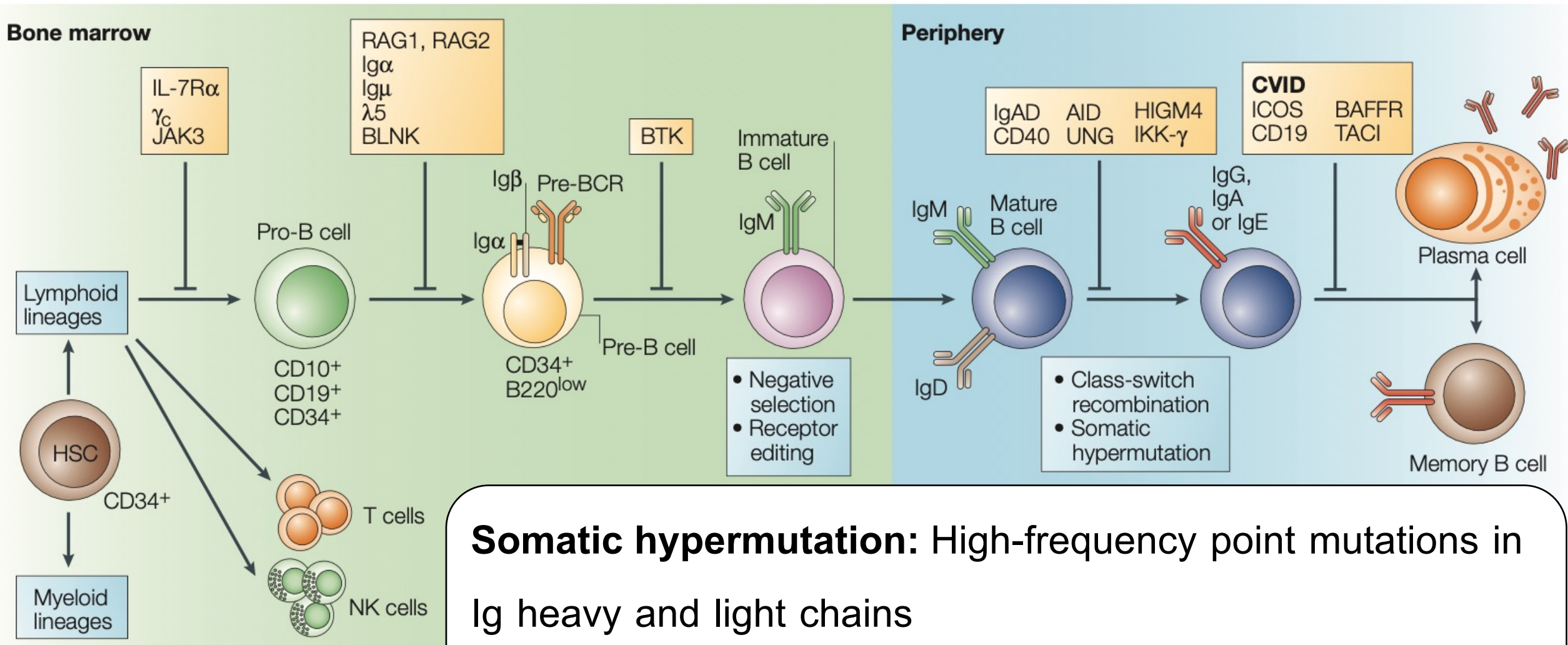
“Receptor editing”

λ Chain rearrangement

Self recognized antigen B lymphocyte



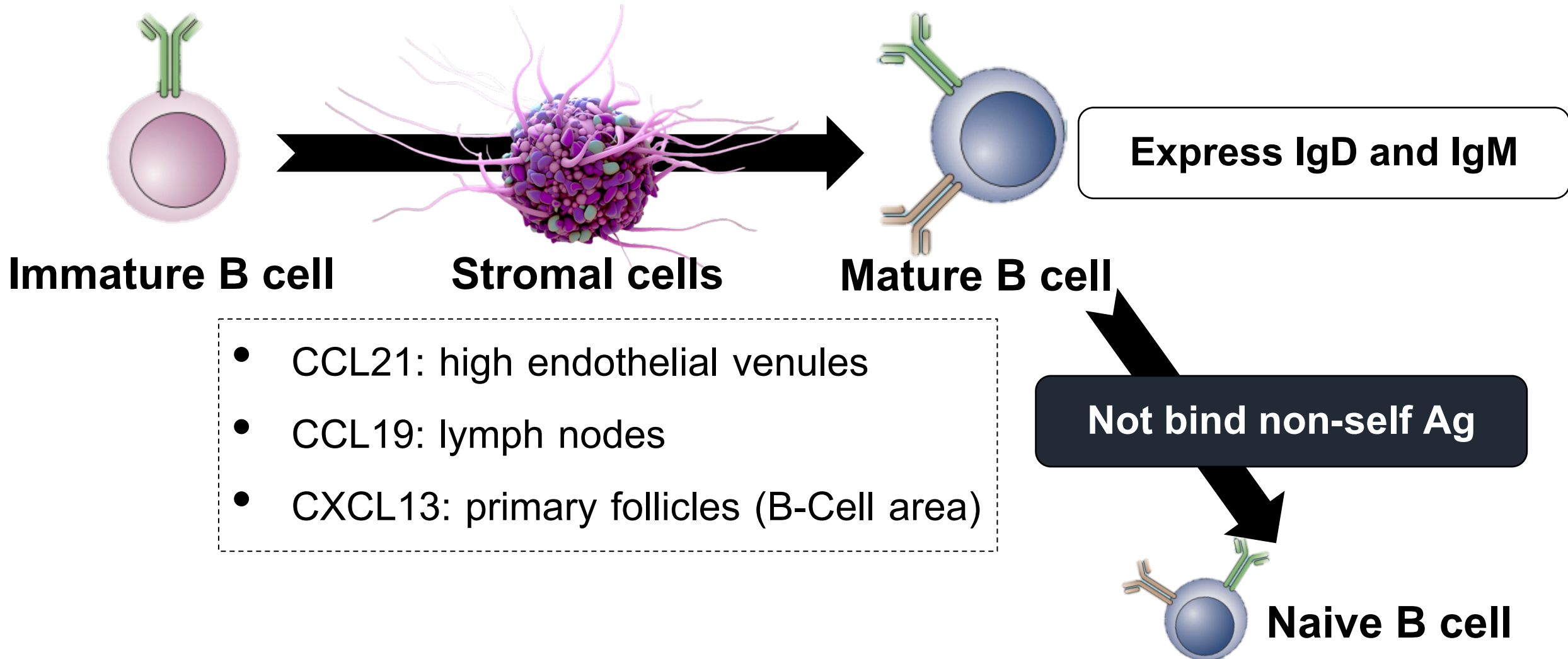
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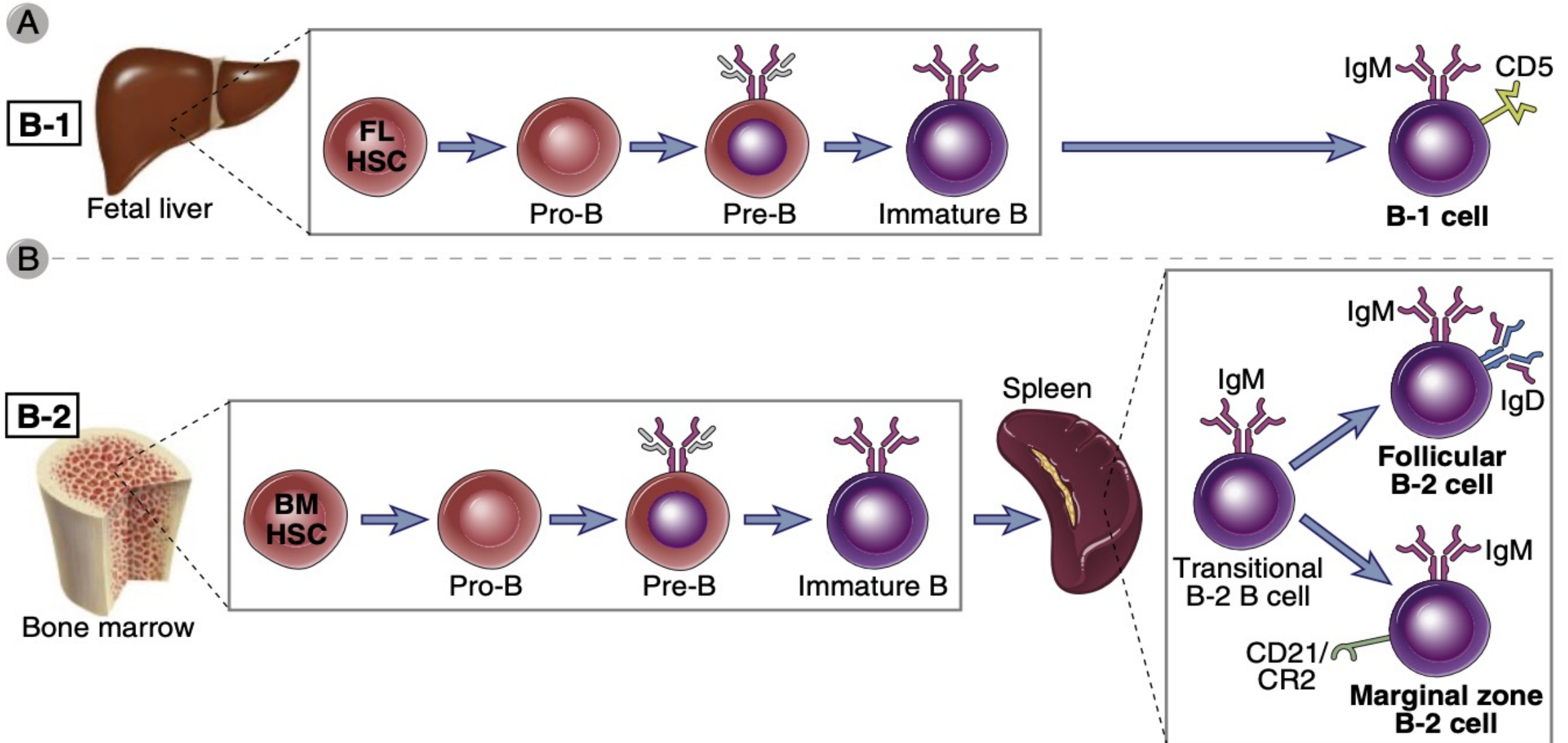
Somatic hypermutation: High-frequency point mutations in Ig heavy and light chains

Increased affinity of antibodies and maturation of HIR

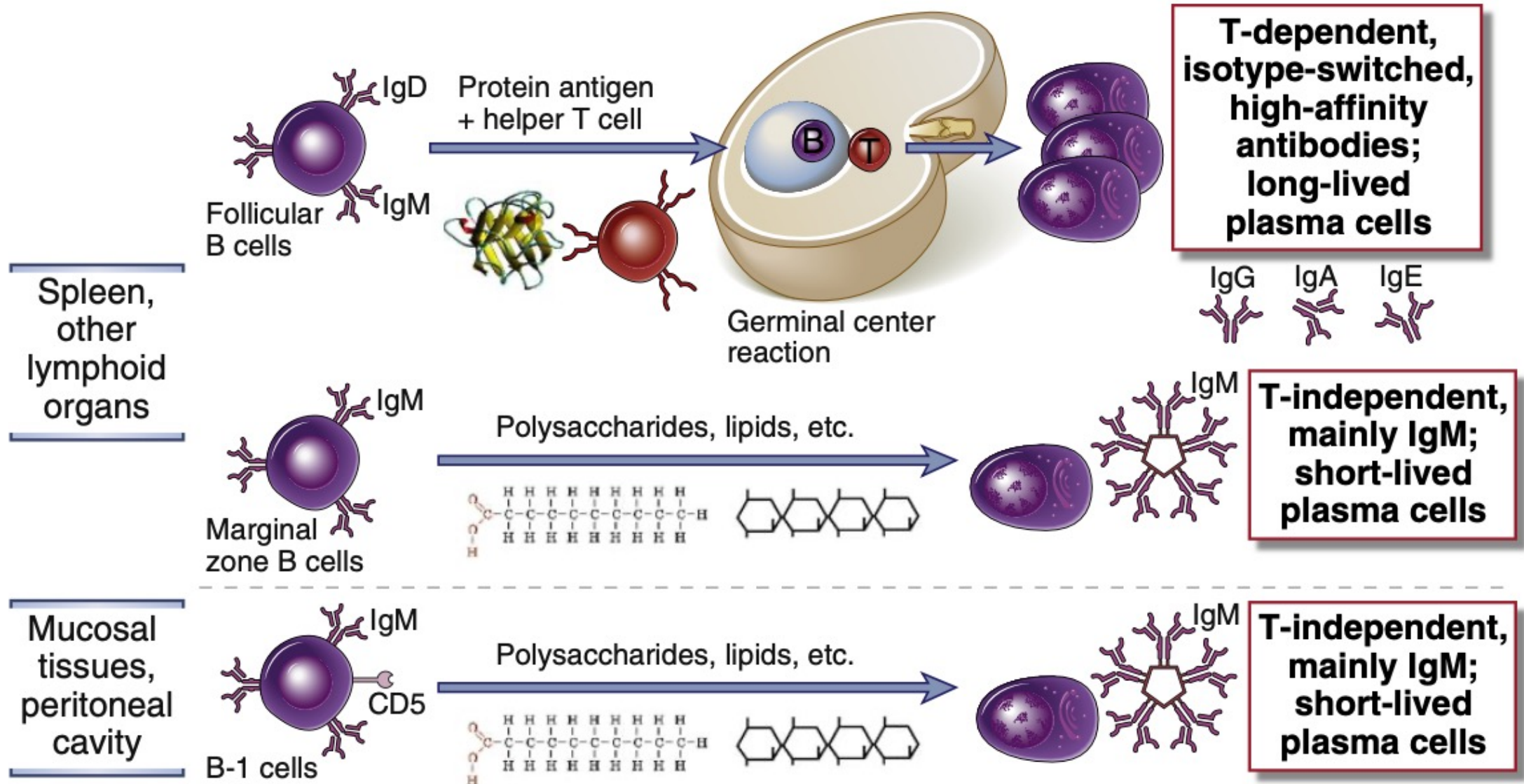
Trafficking to lymphoid follicles



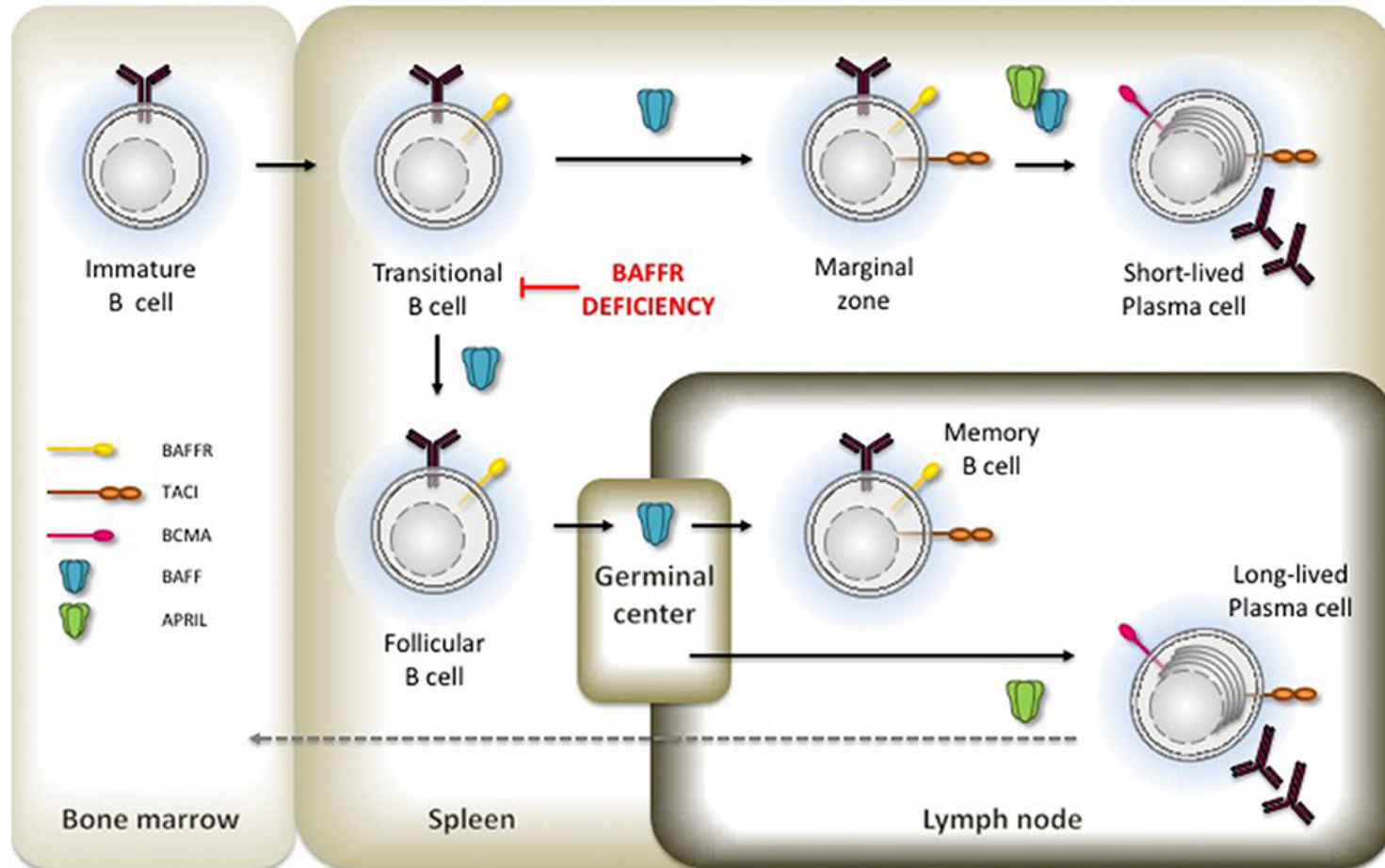
Mature B lymphocyte subsets



T-dependent and T-independent antibody responses



Follicular B cell survival



- **BAFF and APRIL** produced by myeloid cells in lymphoid follicles and bone marrow
- **Activated BAFF:** B-cell activation and differentiation

If non-self antigen are recognized

Antigen recognition

Activation of B lymphocytes

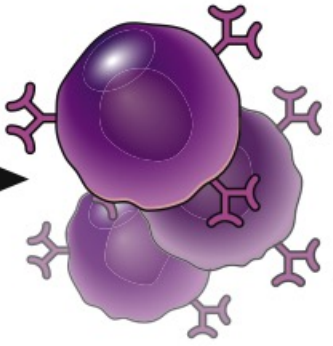
Proliferation

Differentiation

Outcome

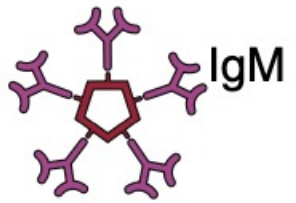
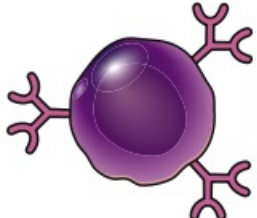
Naive IgM⁺, IgD⁺ B cell

Activated B cell



IgG-expressing B cell

High-affinity Ig-expressing B cell



Antibody secretion

Isotype switching

Affinity maturation

Memory B cell

Helper T cells, other stimuli

Microbe

Antibody secreting plasma cells

IgG-expressing B cell

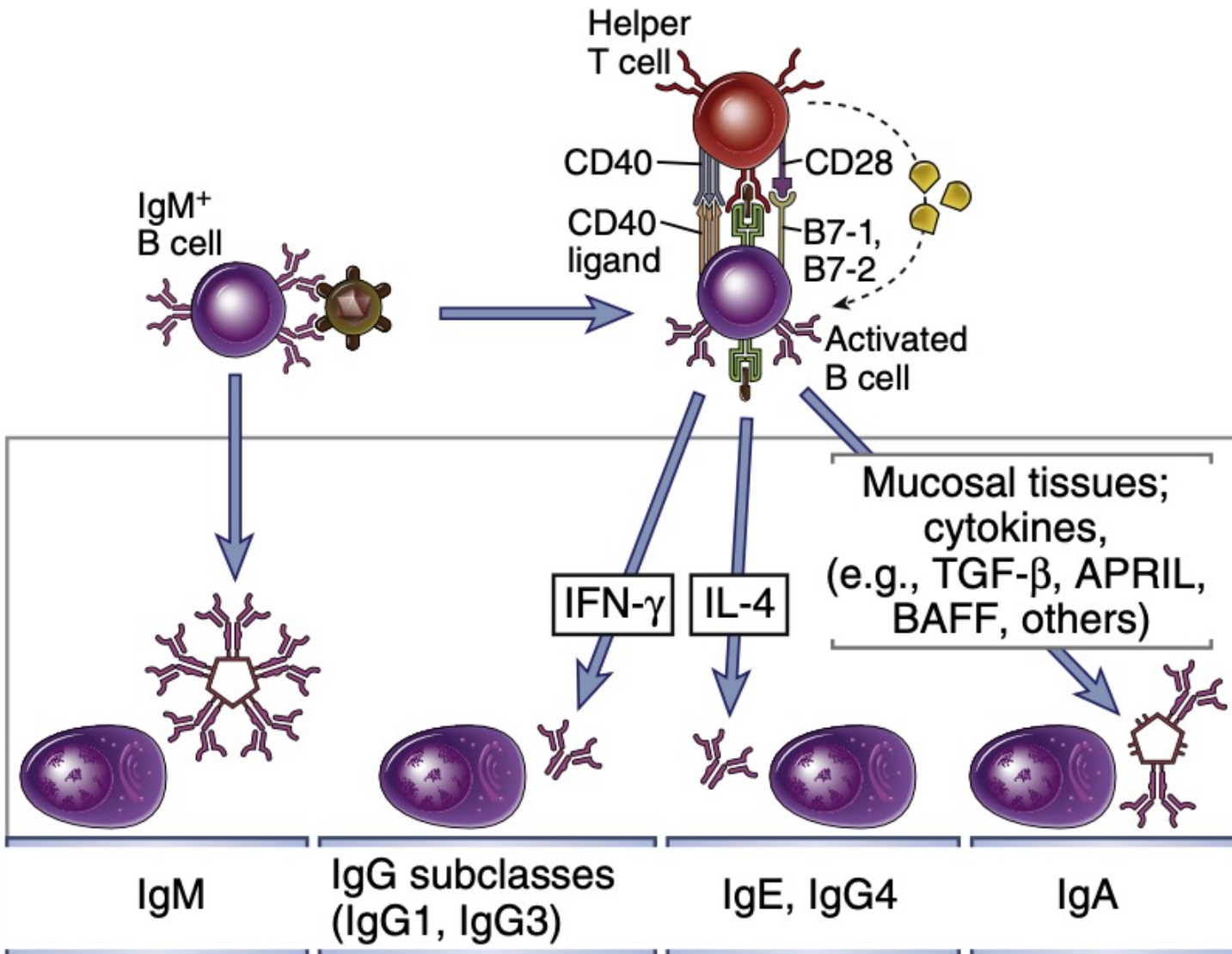
High-affinity Ig-expressing B cell

IgM

IgG

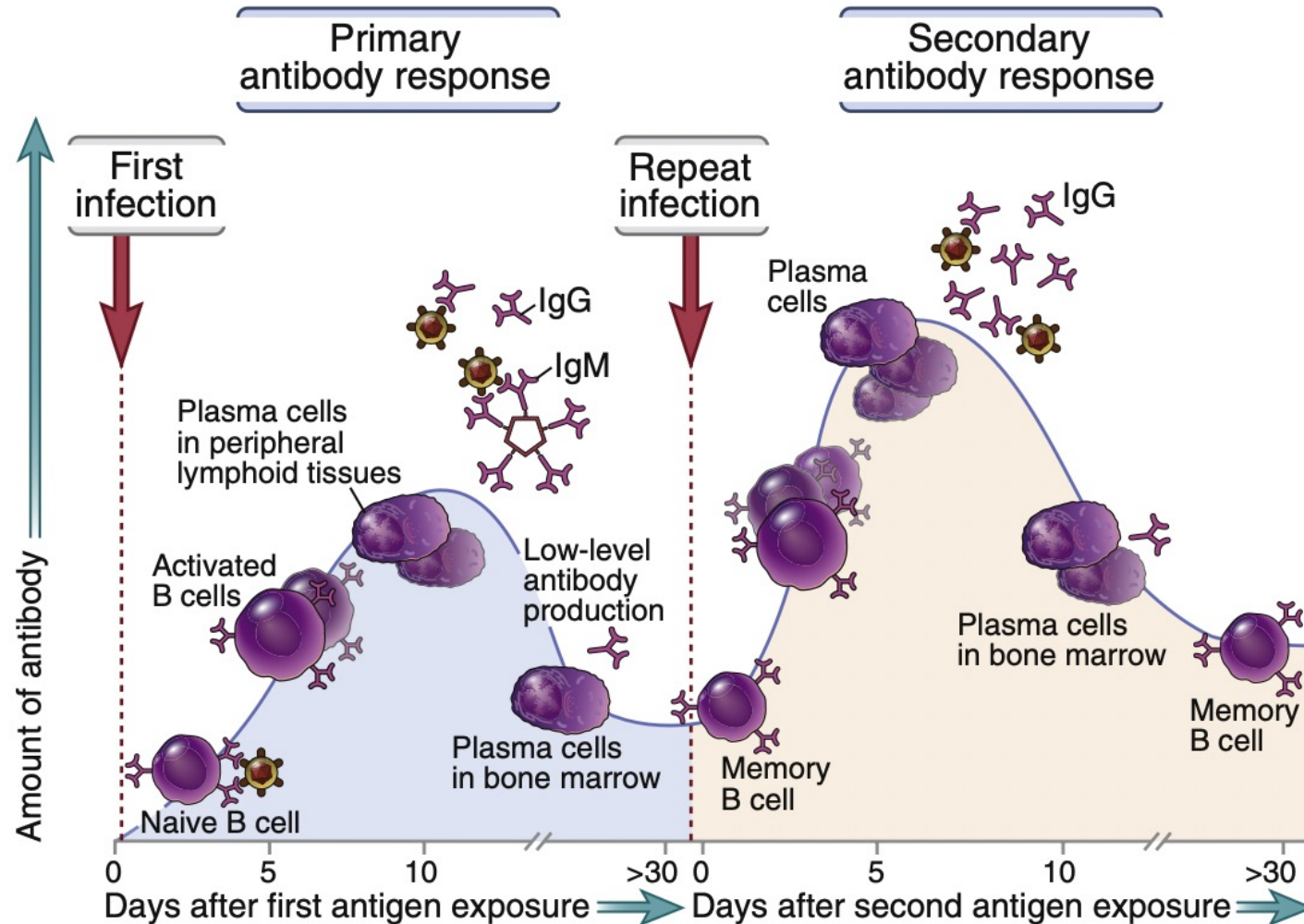
High-affinity IgG

Immunoglobulin (Ig) heavy-chain isotype (class) switching

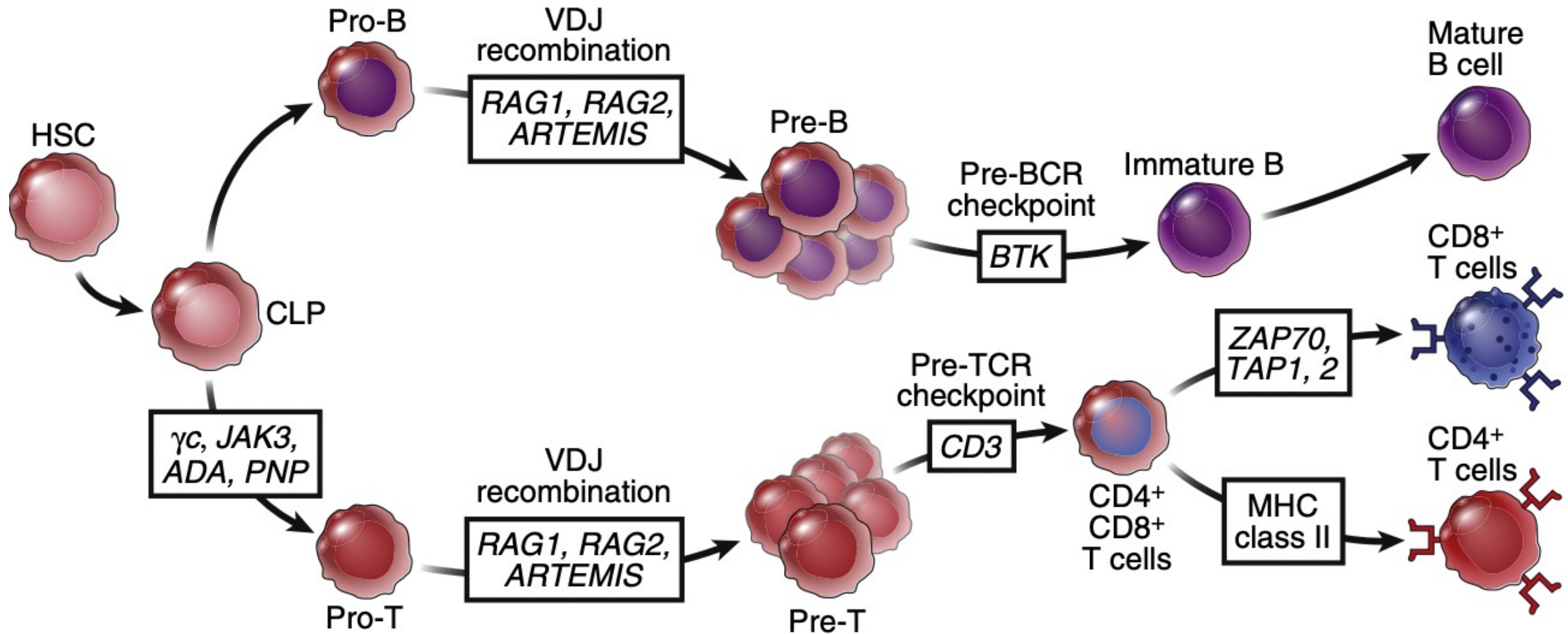


Type	Principal effector functions
IgM	Complement activation
IgG subclasses	Opsonization and phagocytosis, neonatal immunity
IgE, IgG4	Immunity against helminths, Mast cell degranulation
IgA	Mucosal immunity

Features of primary and secondary antibody responses

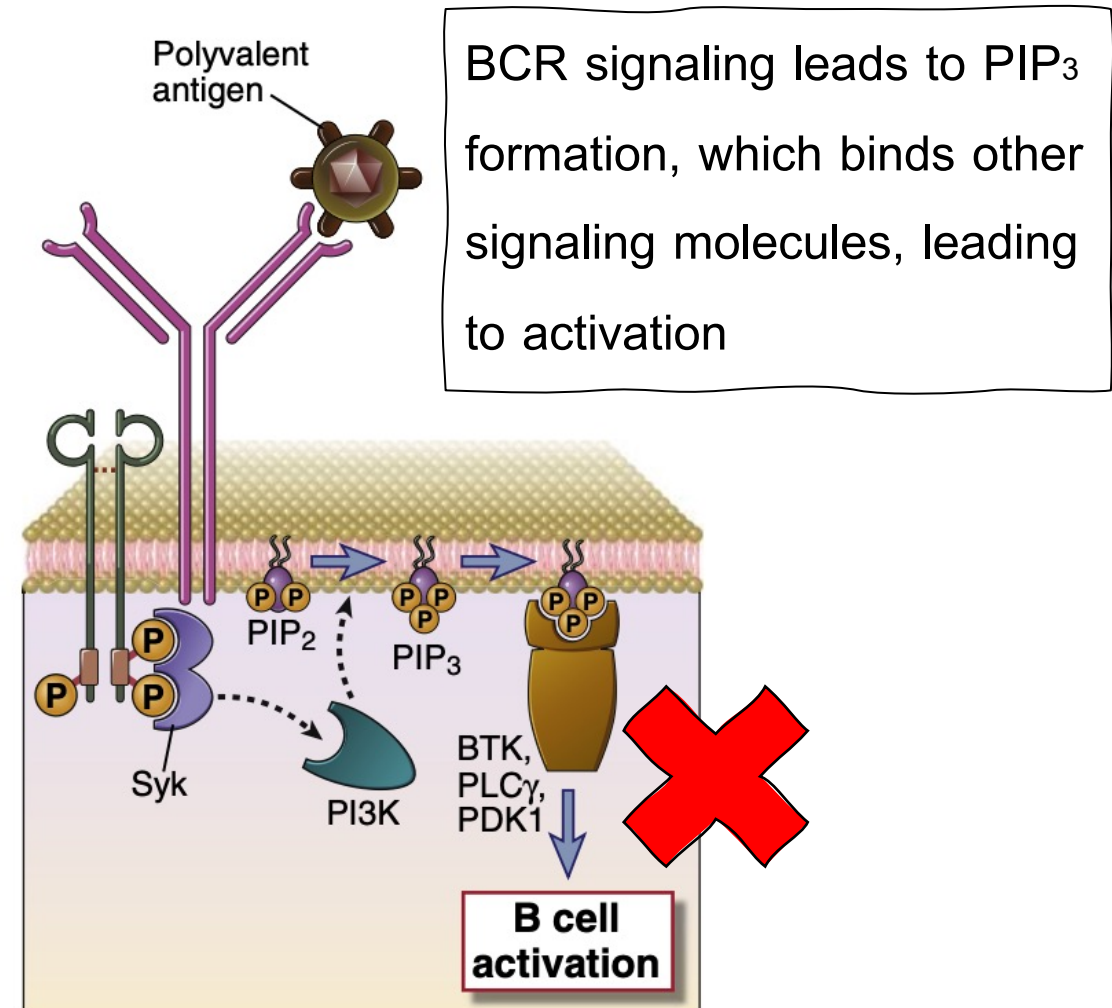


Clinical relevant: Congenital immunodeficiencies

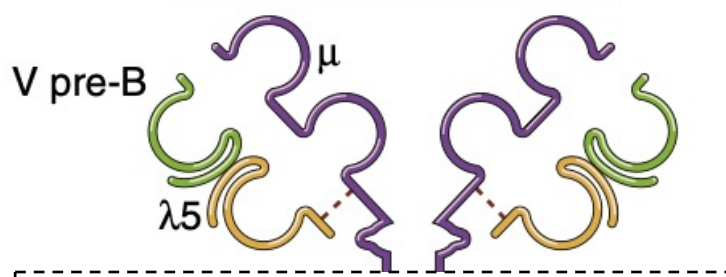


X-Linked Agammaglobulinemia

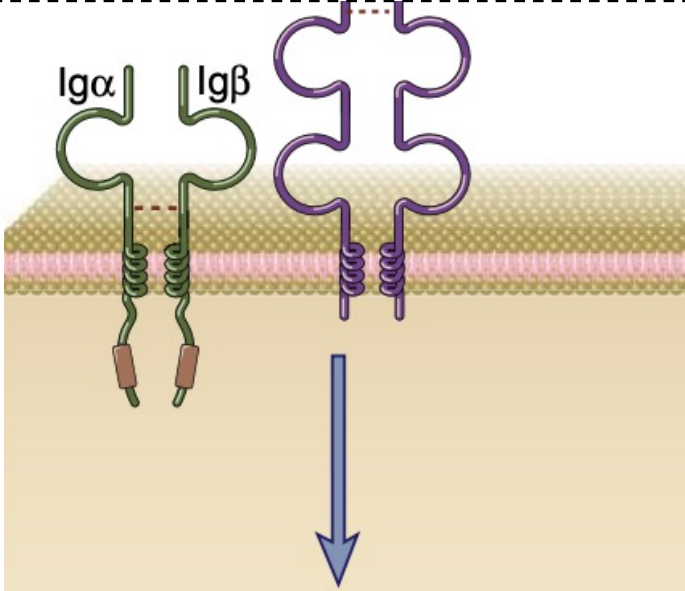
- Block in maturation beyond pre-B cells, because of mutation in Bruton tyrosine kinase (BTK)
- Chromosome X: Xq21.3–Xq22 “**X-linked Recessive**”
- Decrease in all serum Ig isotype and reduced B cell numbers
- Investigation: absence CD19, CD20 (circulating B cells) and decrease Ig levels



Autosomal Recessive Agammaglobulinemia



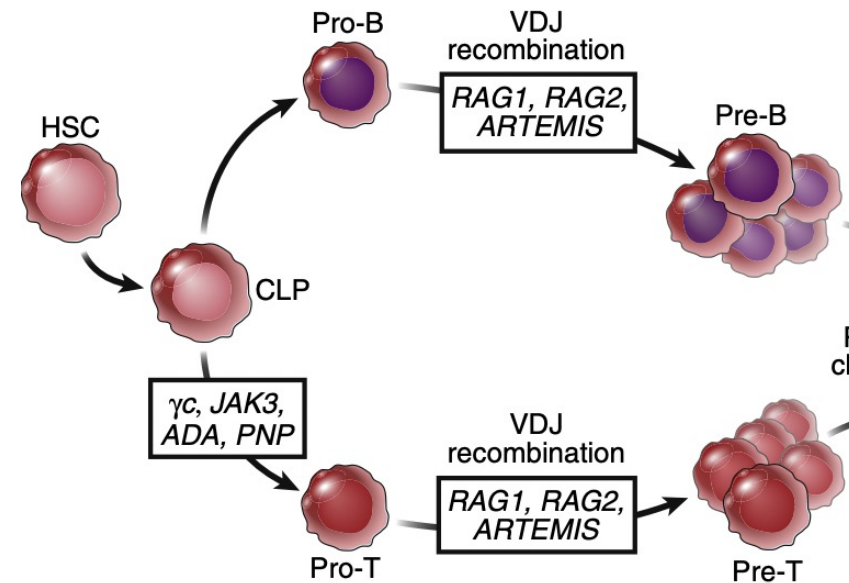
μ, Igα, Igβ, λ5, *BLNK* gene



- Inhibition of H chain recombination (allelic exclusion)
- Proliferation of pre-B cells
- Stimulation of κ light chain recombination
- Shut off of surrogate light chain transcription

- Females with XLA-like phenotype
- Males with presumed XLA but not have a pathogenic variant in BTK.
- History of consanguinity
- **Rare AR** forms of agammaglobulinemia

Autosomal Recessive Severe Combine Immunodeficiency

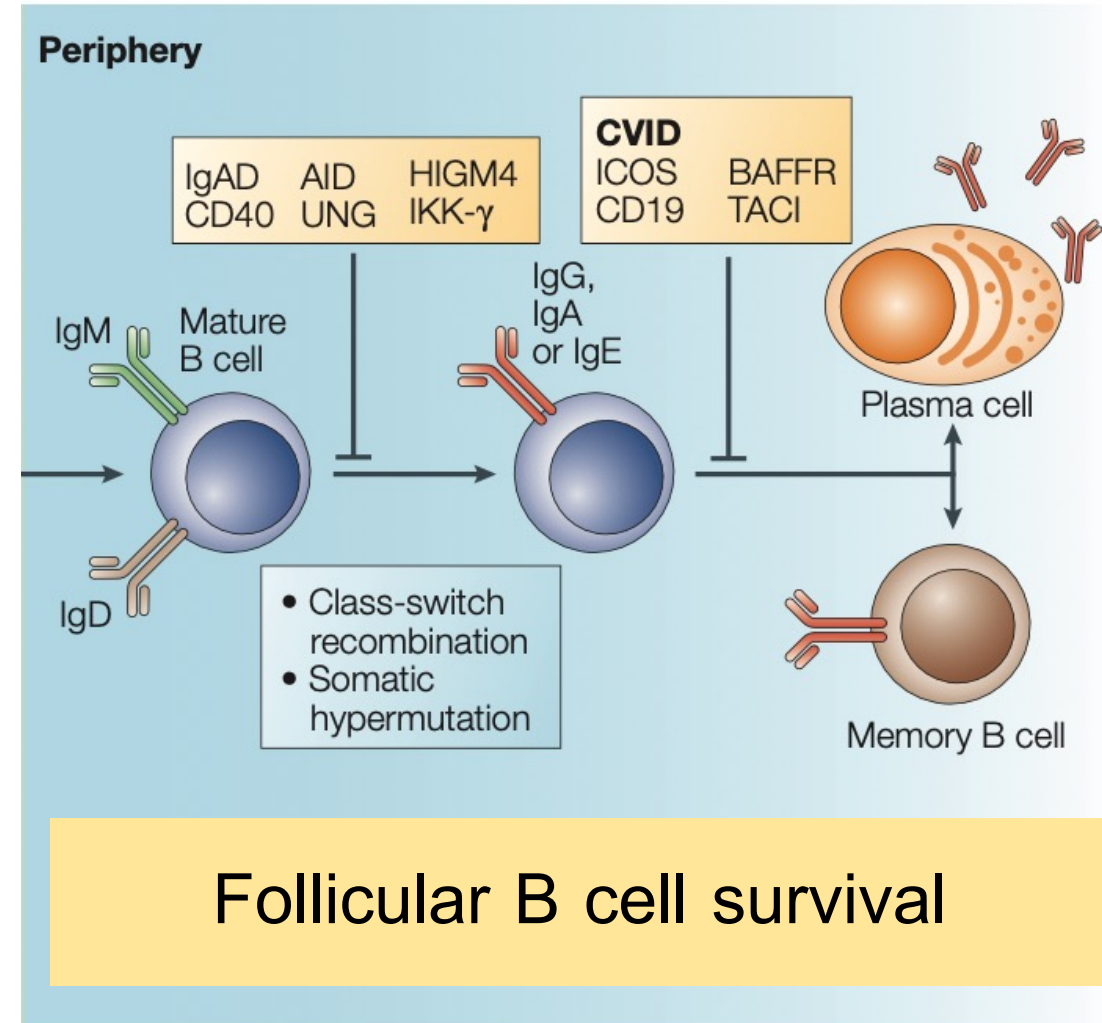


- **SCID** is impairment of humoral and cellular functions.
- Infants with opportunistic infection (CMV, PCP), fatal infections after live-attenuated vaccine

- ***RAG1*, *RAG2*** have major role for gene rearrangement.
- Mutations cause **abnormal VDJ recombination**.
- Impaired B cell receptors (BCR)

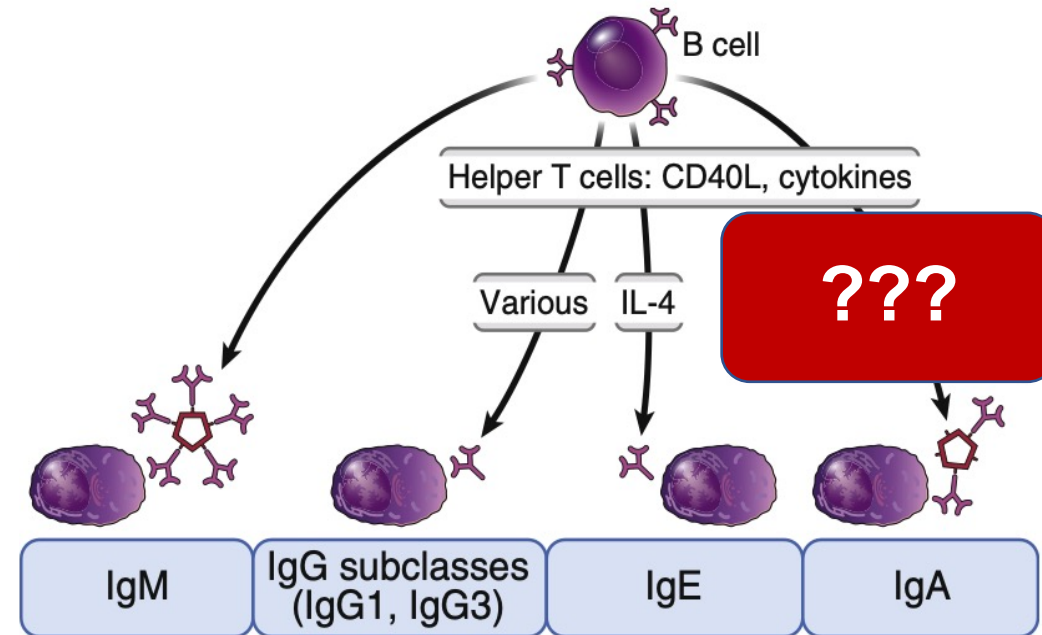
Common variable immunodeficiency

- **Defect antibody production**
- Recurrent pyogenic sinopulmonary and gastrointestinal infections
- Low IgG and IgA levels
- Normal B-cell numbers
- *CD19, BAFFR, TACI, ICOS* mutation
- Bimodal age distribution (first and third decade)



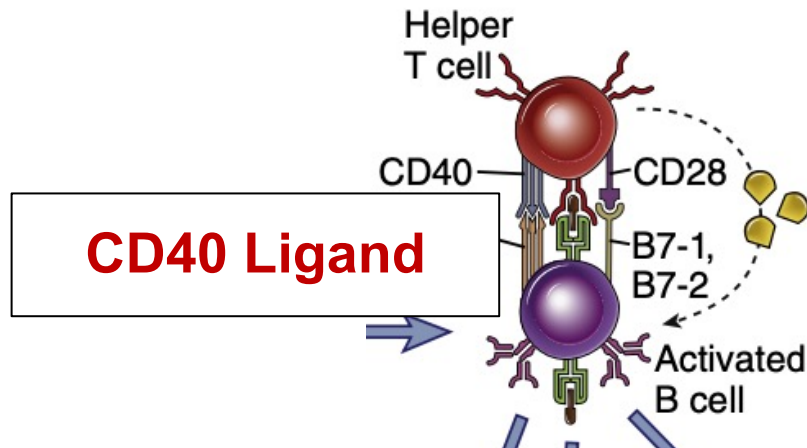
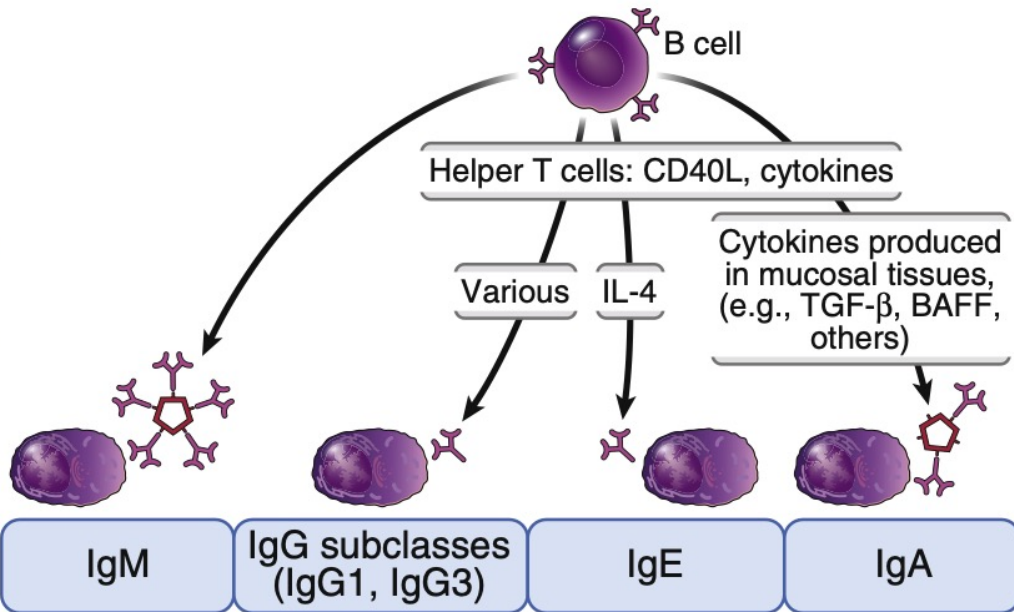
Selective IgA deficiency

- **The most common primary immunodeficiency**
- Recurrent pyogenic sinopulmonary and gastrointestinal infections
- **Absence of class switching to IgA**
- The molecular defect is unknown in most cases.
- *TACI*, *IGAD1* (HLA-DQ and HLA-DR) mutation



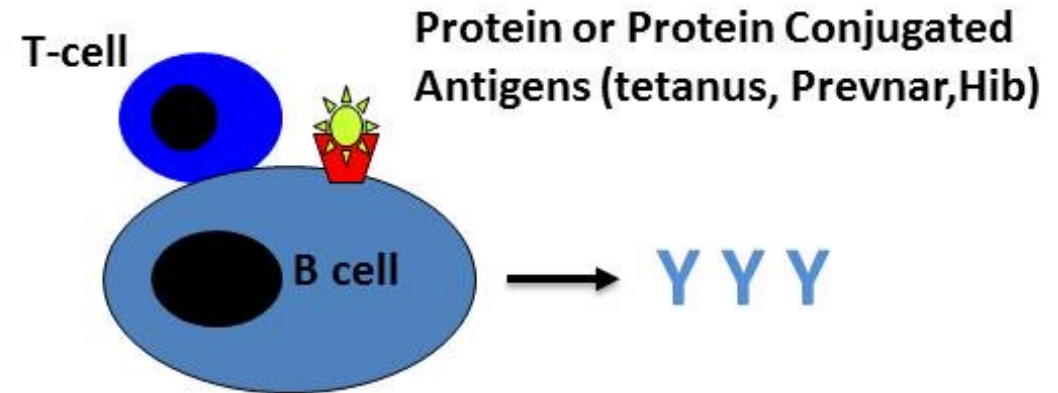
X-linked Hyper-IgM syndrome

- Immunoglobulin **class switch** recombination defect
- *CD40L* mutation on Xq26–Xq27
- Susceptible to *Pneumocystis jiroveci*, *Cryptosporidium* spp., CMV infection
- Defect both humoral and cell-mediated immunities

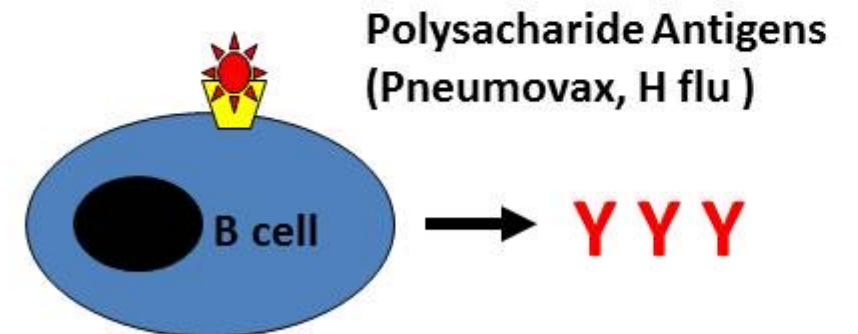


Specific Antibody Deficiency

- T-cell independent antibodies response defect
- Normal immunoglobulins levels and recurrent infection
- Diminished antibody responses to polysaccharide antigens following vaccination



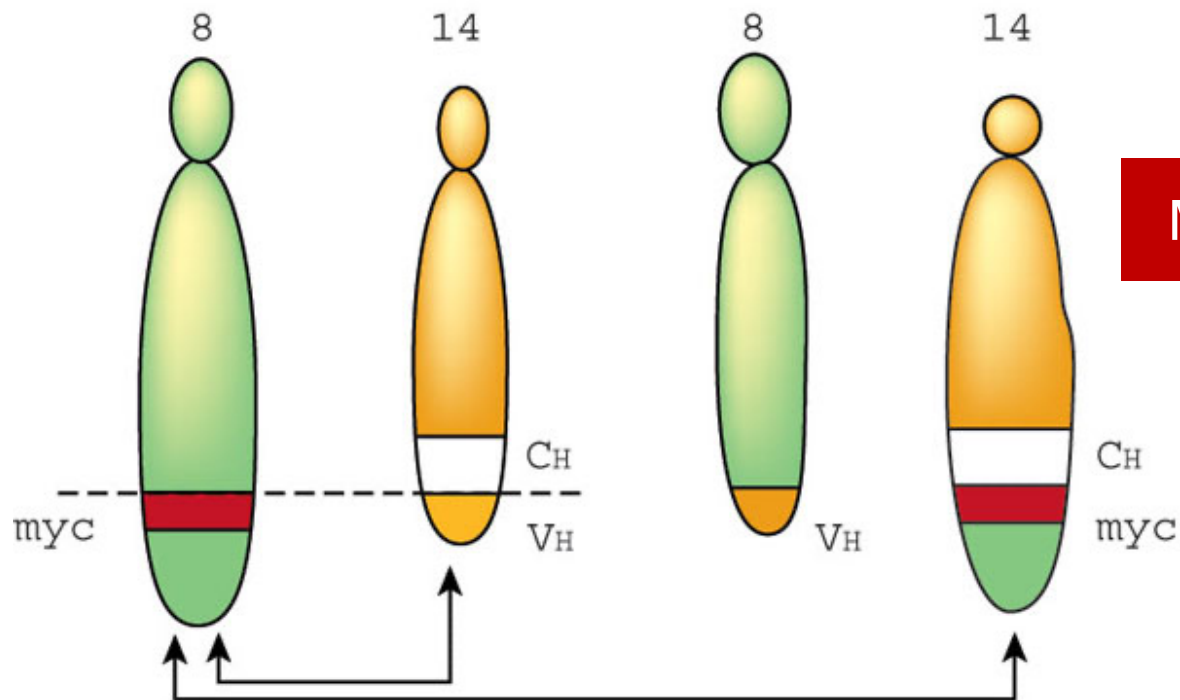
T-cell dependent antibody proactive



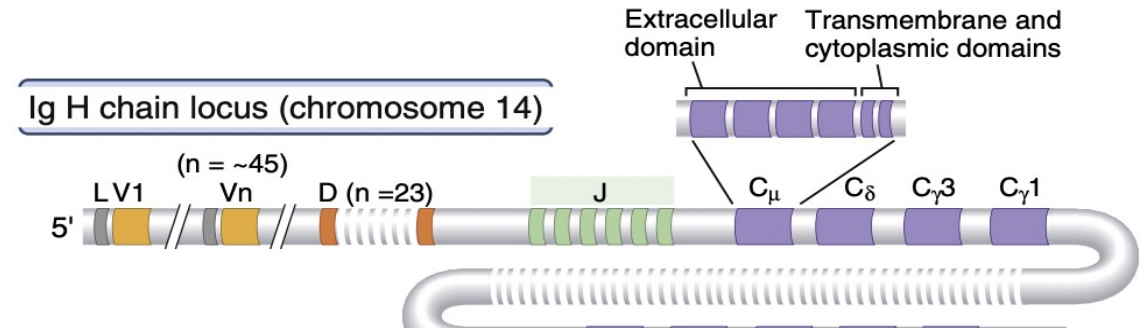
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Burkitt Lymphoma

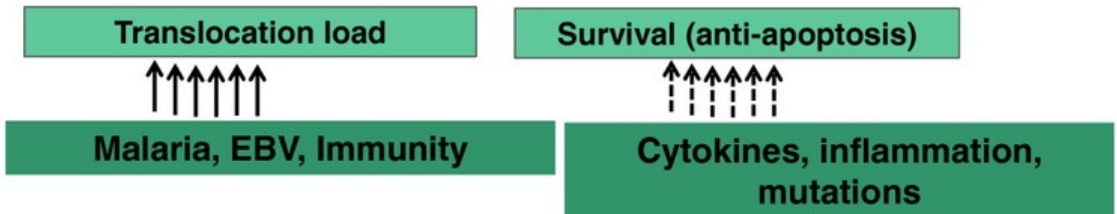
Normal chromosome Burkitt Lymphoma



Translocation of *Myc* gene



Mutation of *Myc* cause strong heavy chain promoter



Take home message

- B lymphocyte is the part of adaptive immunity.
- Main function is antibody secretion for against pathogen.
- In fetus B lymphocyte occur in liver but afterbirth occur in bone marrow and trafficked to lymphoid tissue.
- All steps require genes that regulate immunoglobulin expression, differentiation, diversity of antibodies
 - *BTK* mutation cause blocking in maturation beyond pre-B cells.
 - *RAG1*, *RAG2* mutation cause abnormal VDJ recombination.