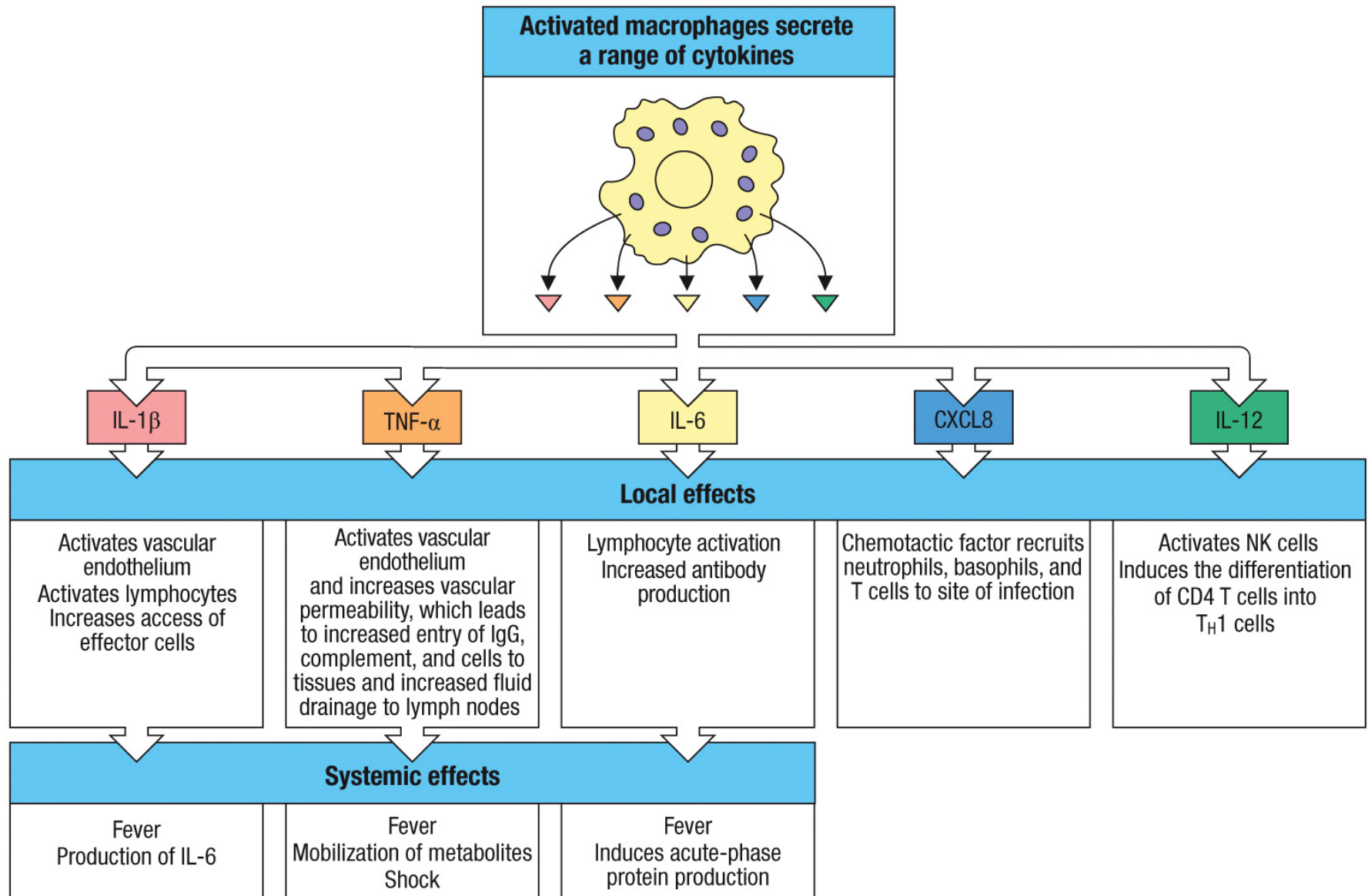
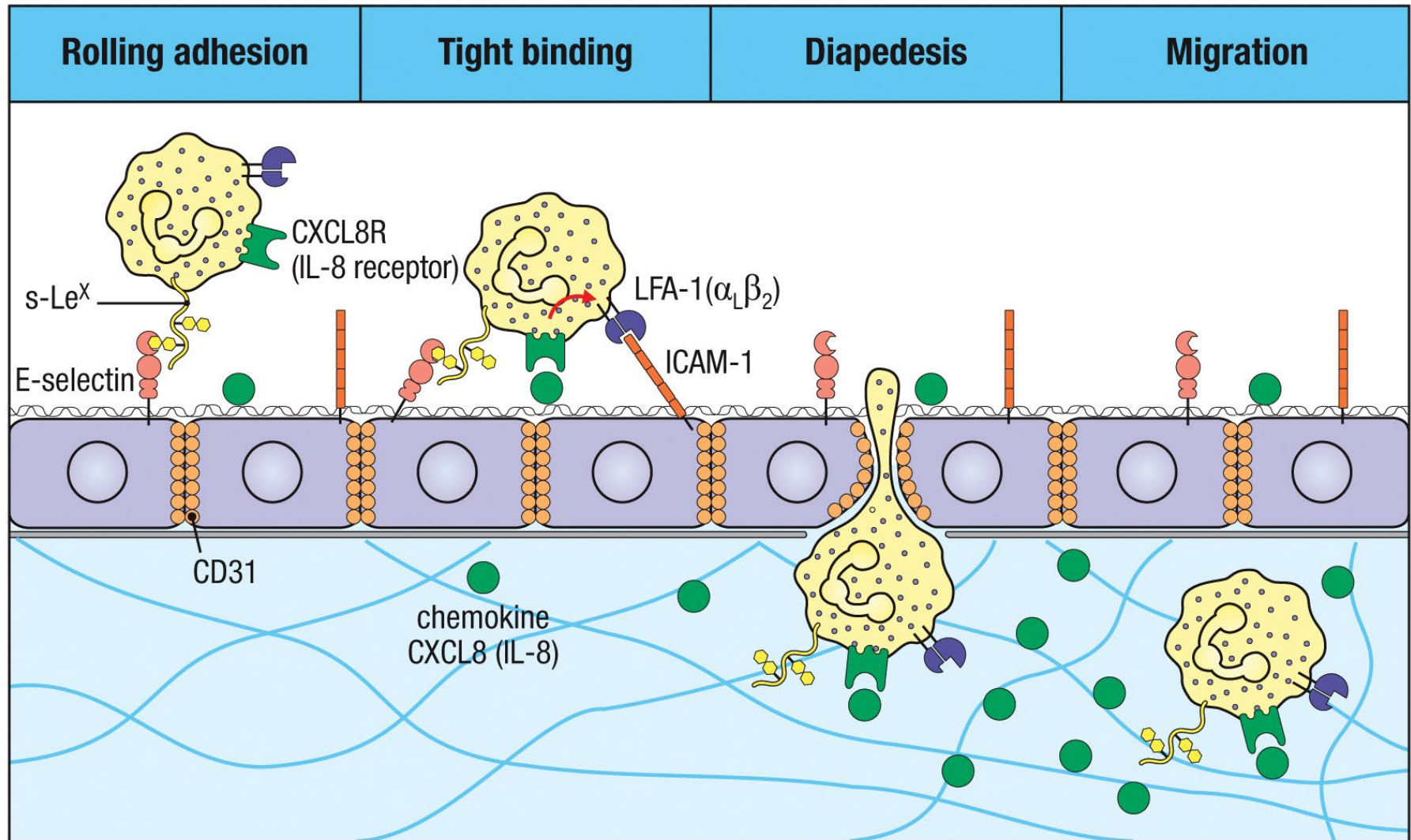


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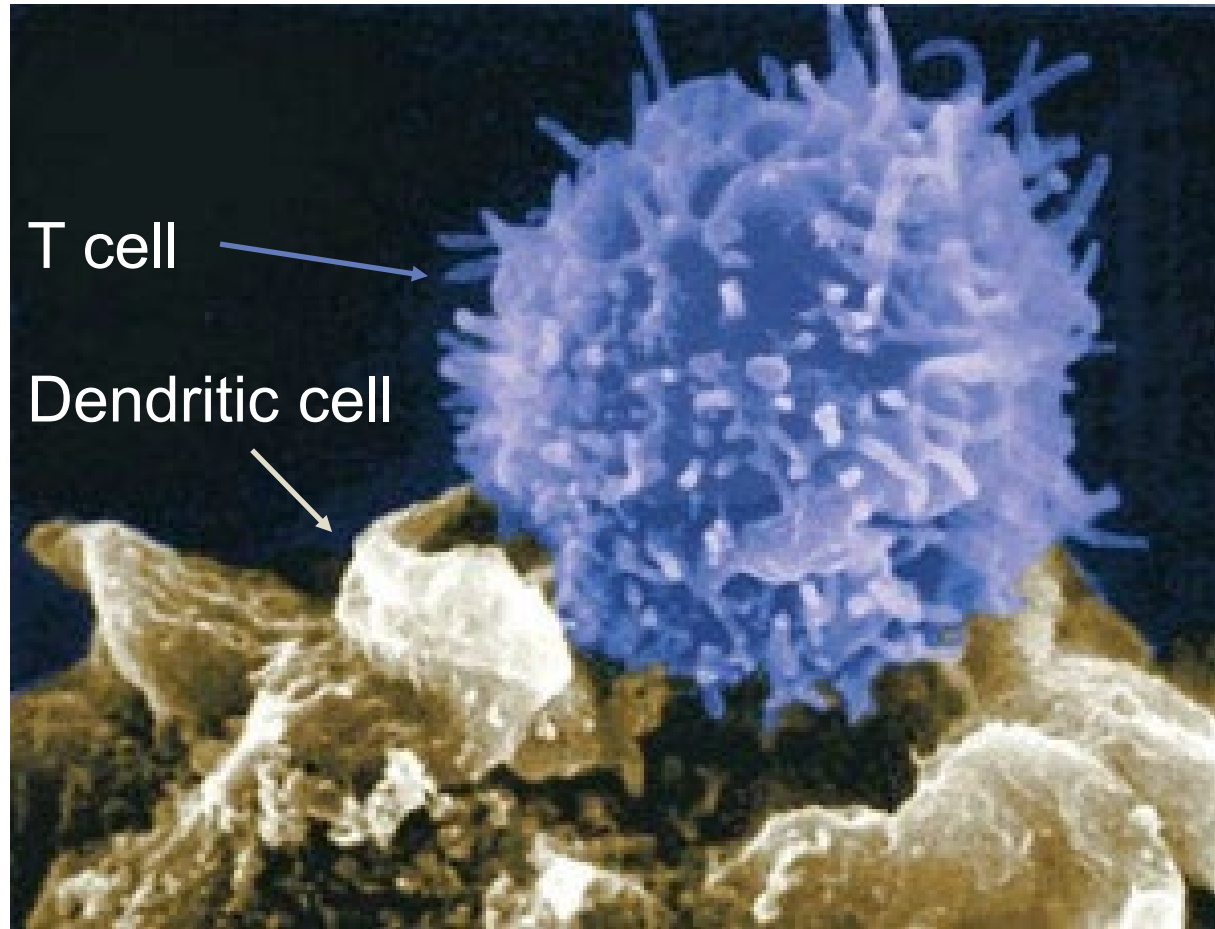
Extravasation: Diapedesis



Outline

- T cell receptor structure
- Generation of TCR diversity
- Structure of MHC complex

Immunological Synapse

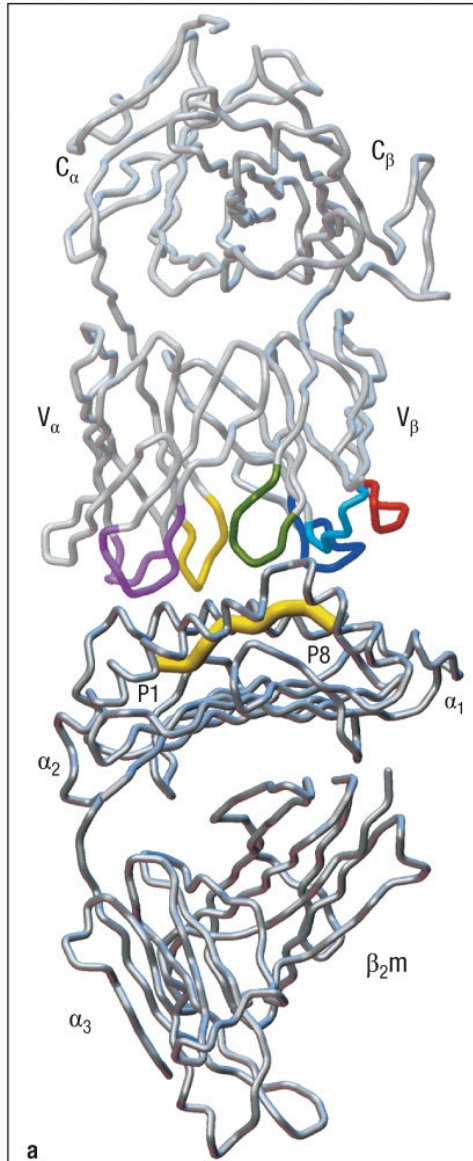


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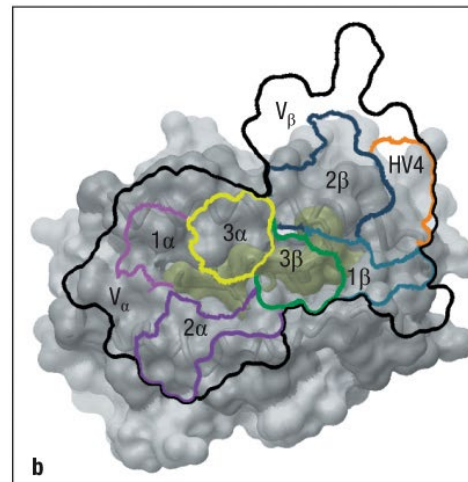
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TCR Binds to Peptide:MHC Complex



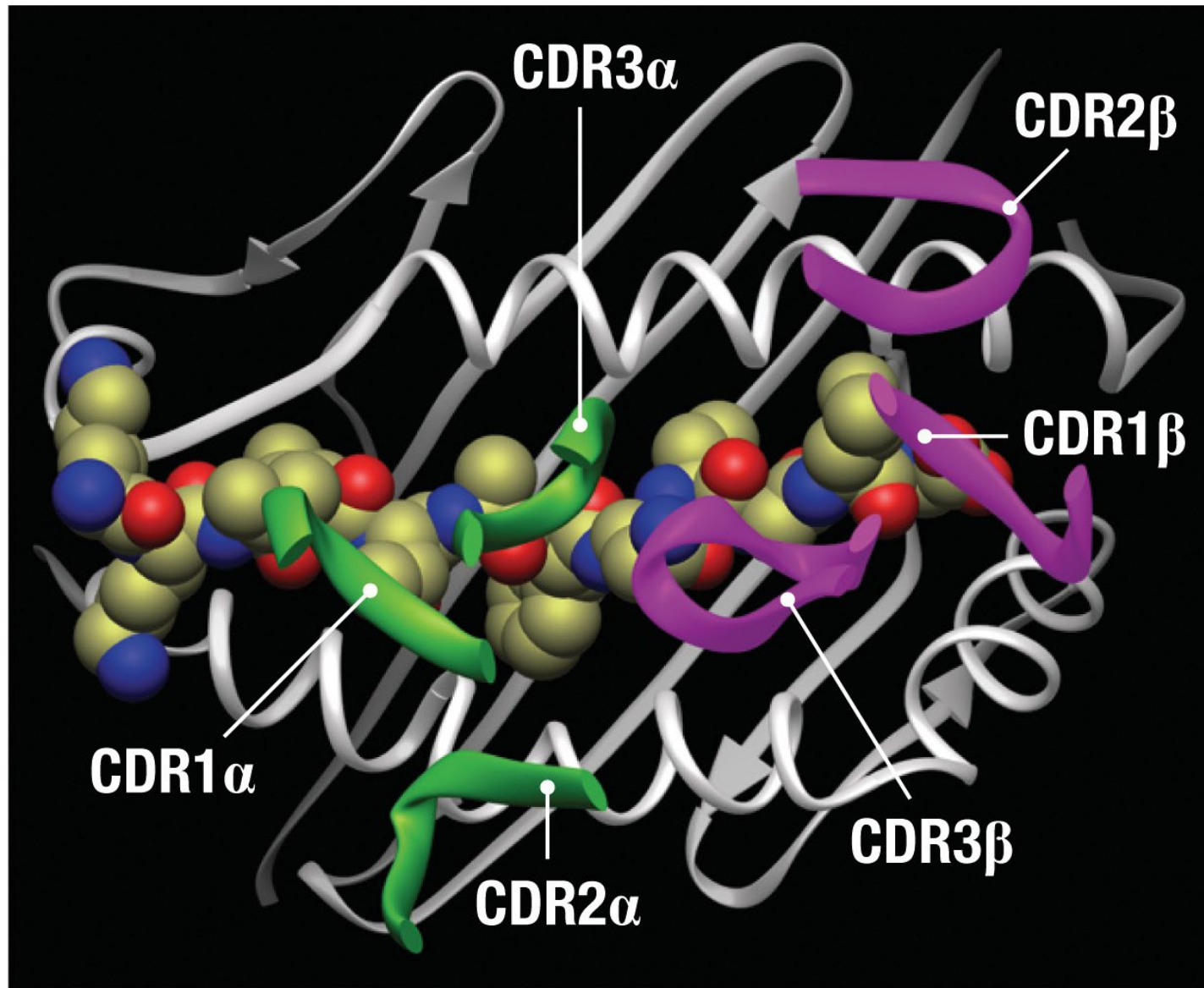
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TCR Binds to Peptide:MHC Complex



Outline

- T cell receptor structure
- Generation of TCR diversity
 - How do we express so many different TCRs?
- Structure of MHC complex

Two Types of T Cells

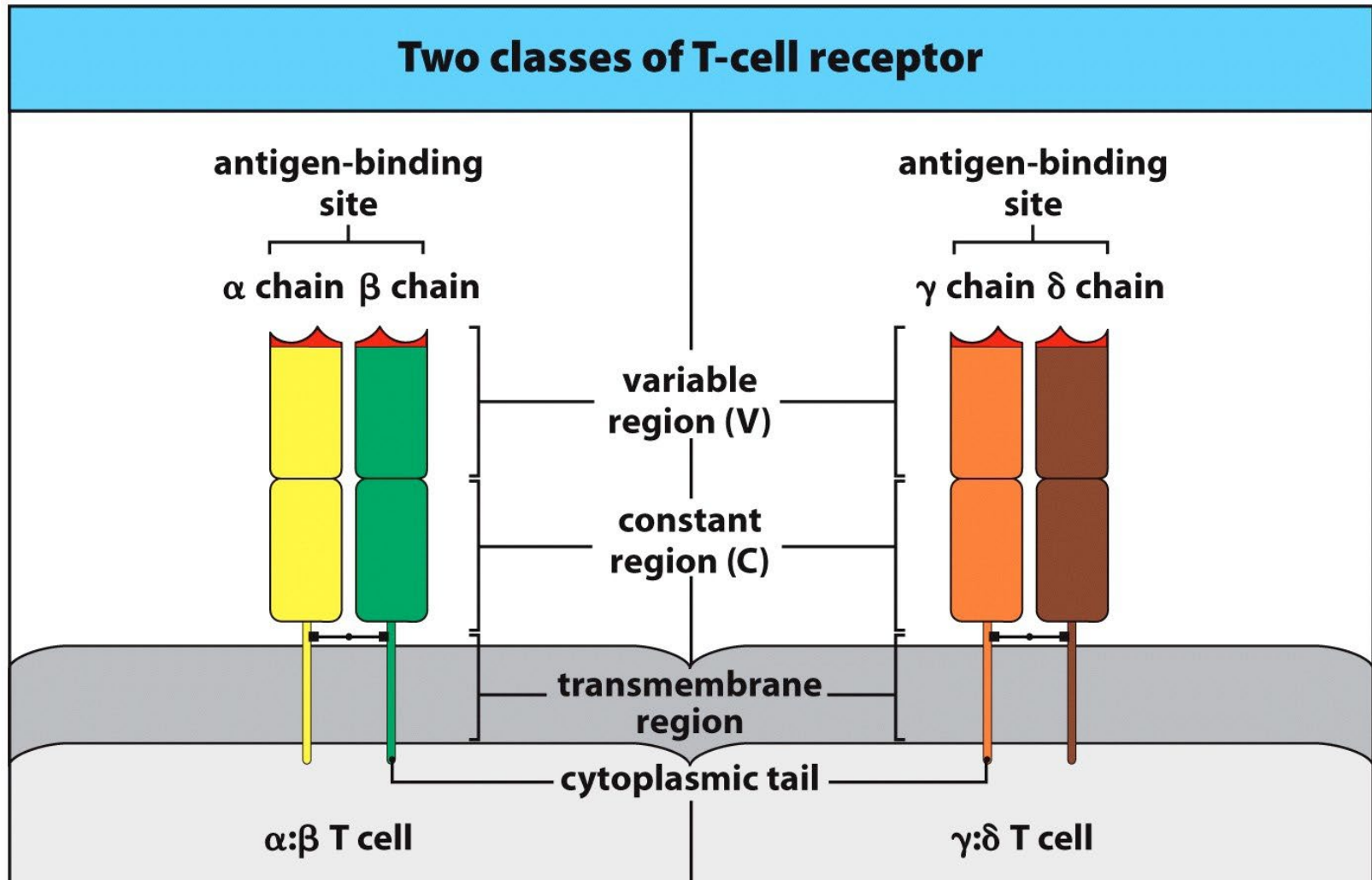
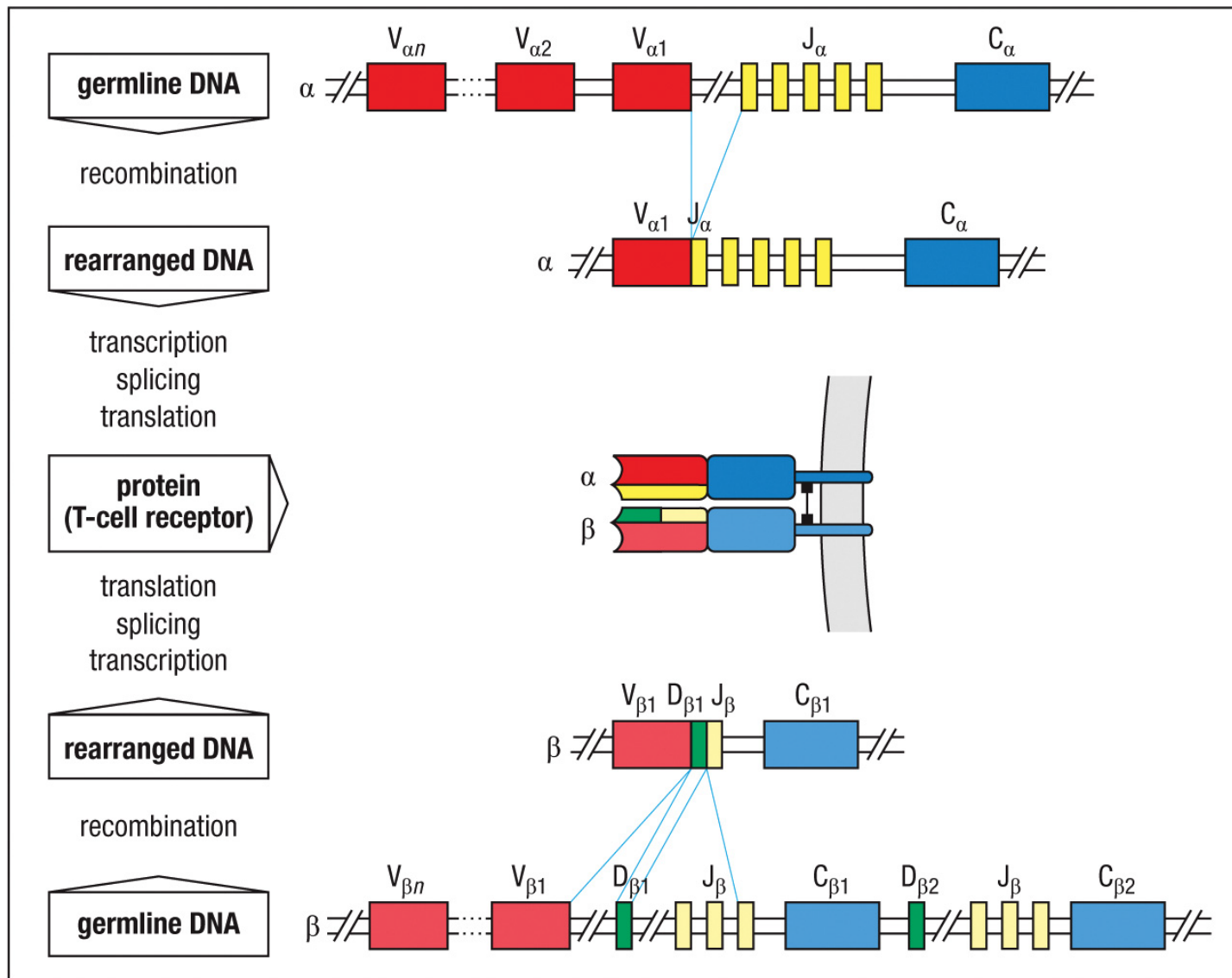
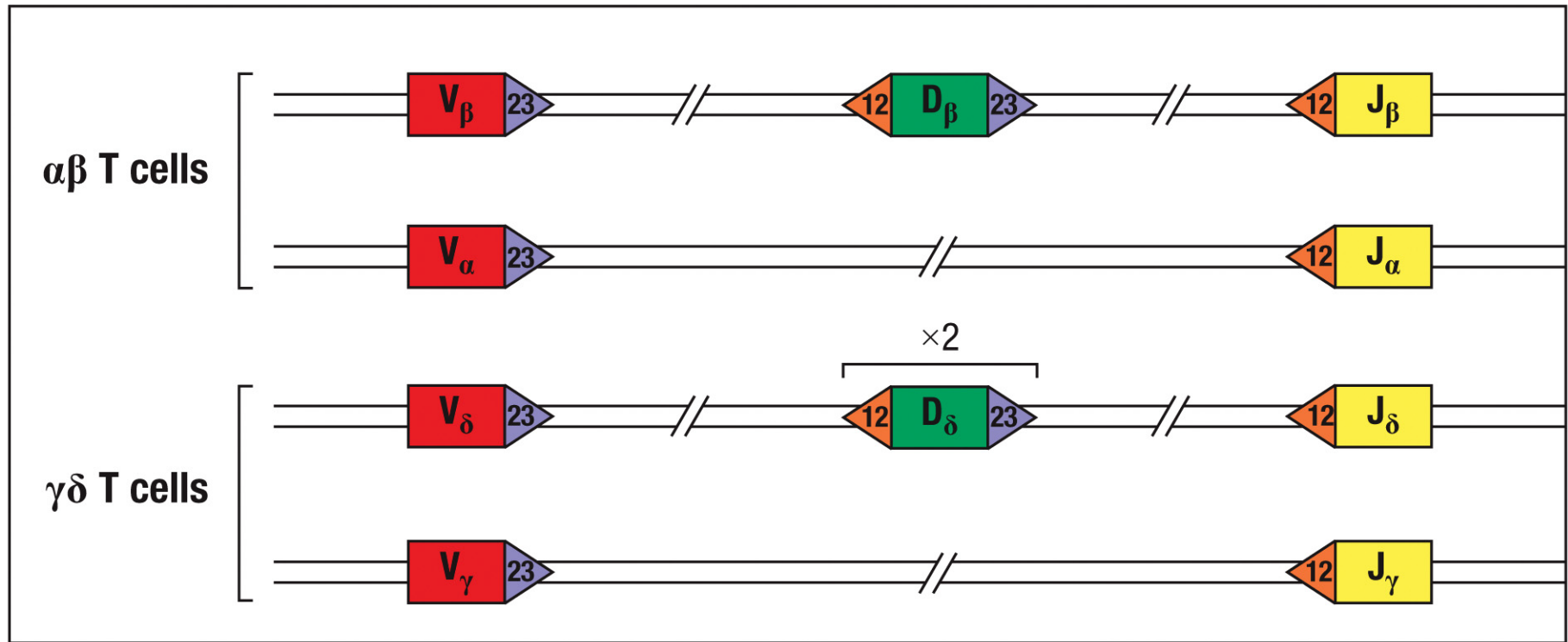


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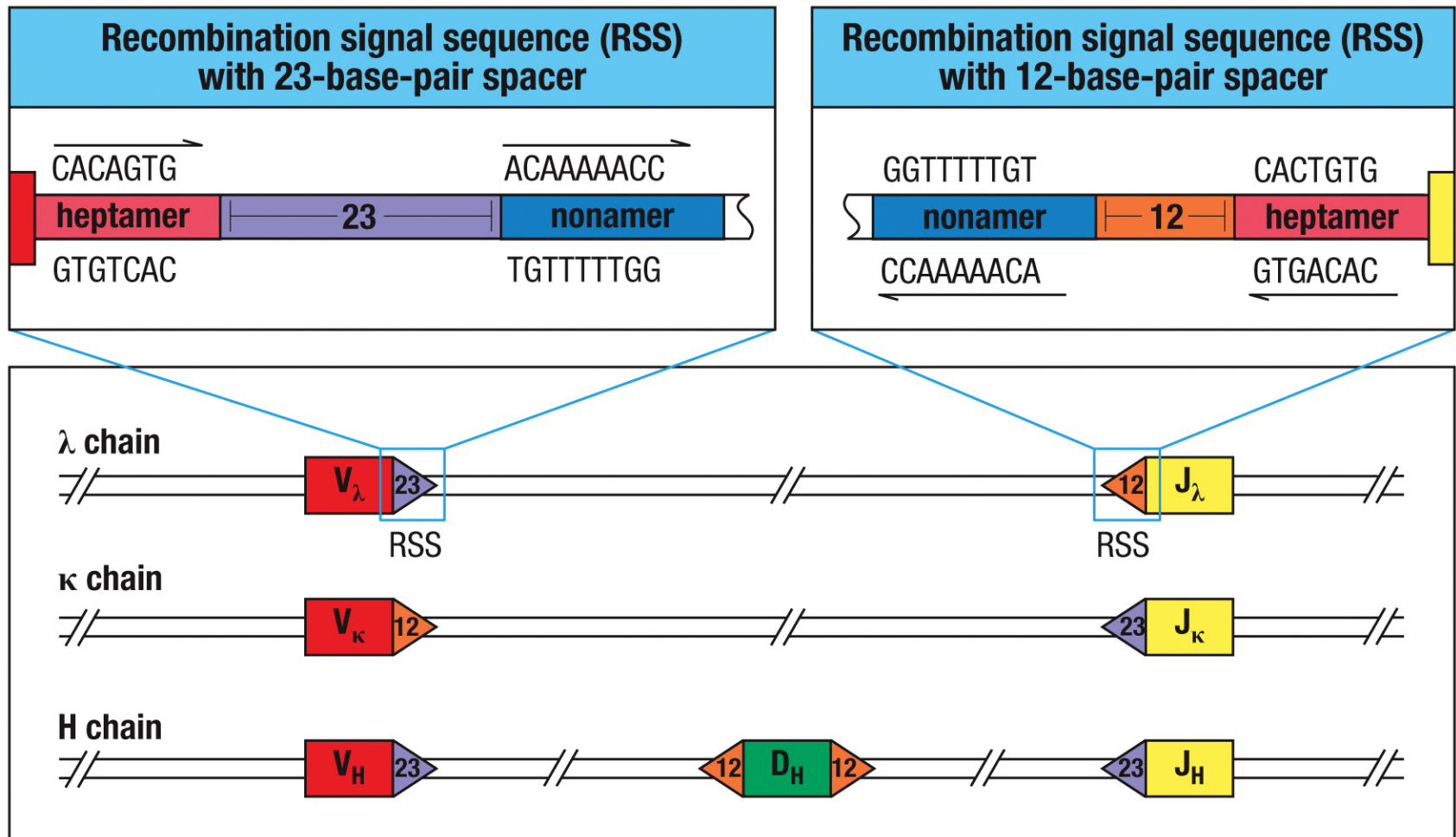
TCR $\alpha\beta$ Gene Rearrangement



TCR Recombination Follows 12/23 Rule

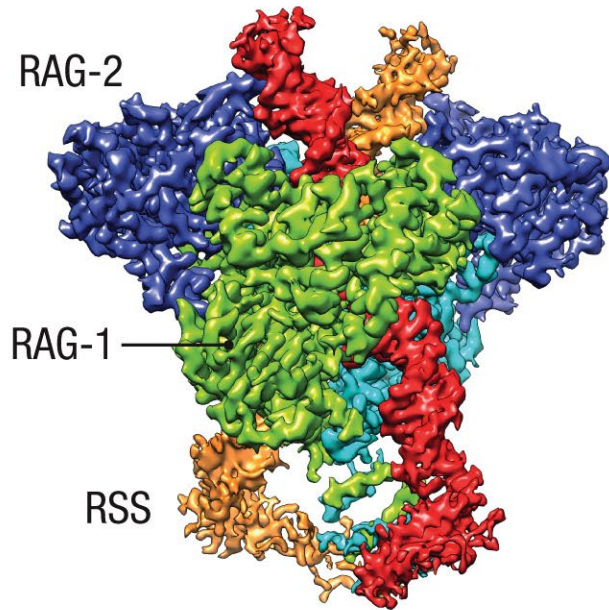


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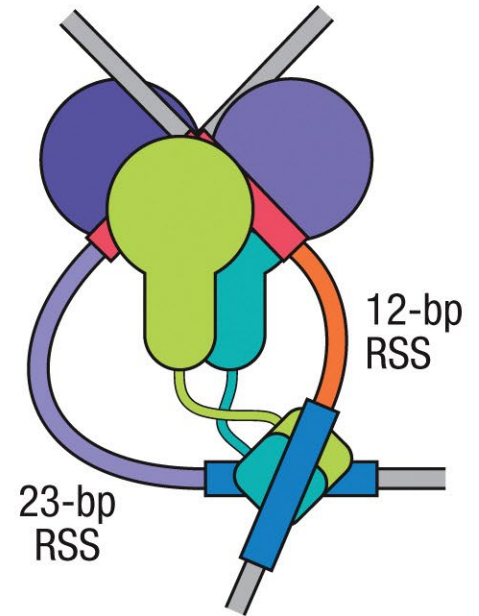
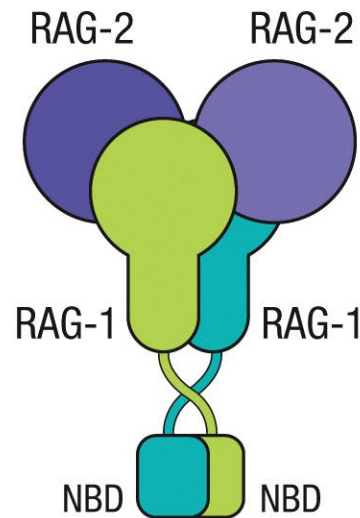


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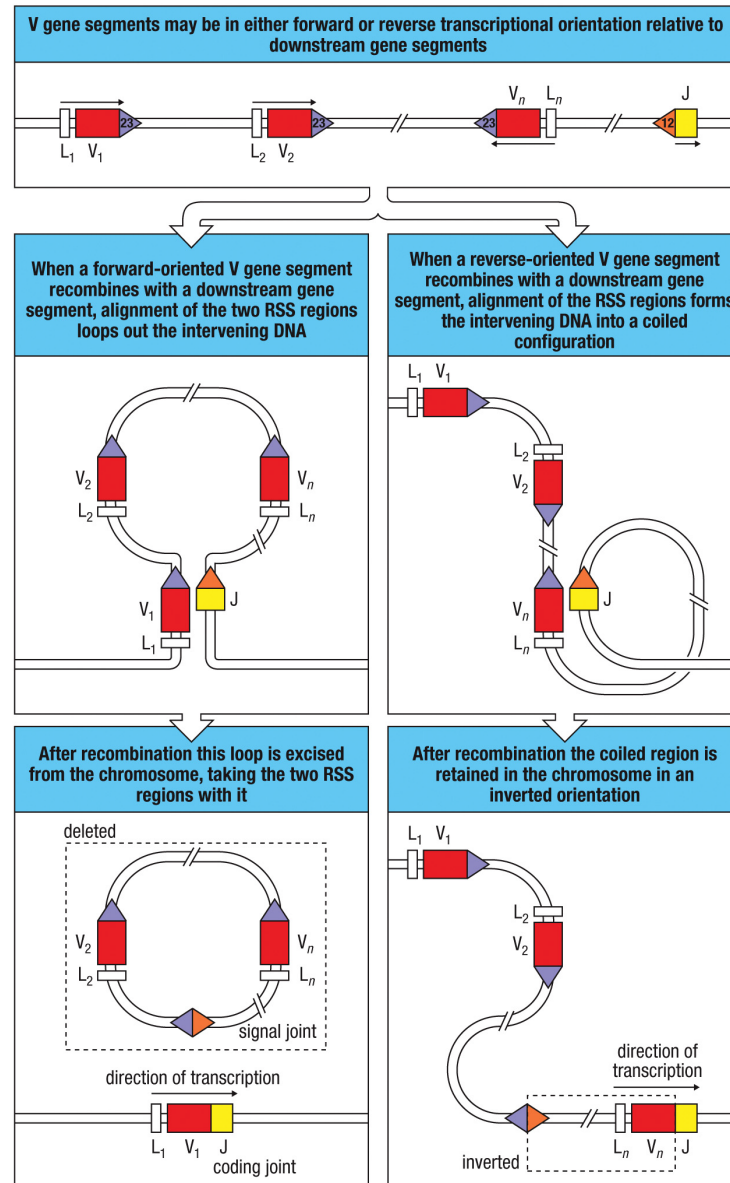
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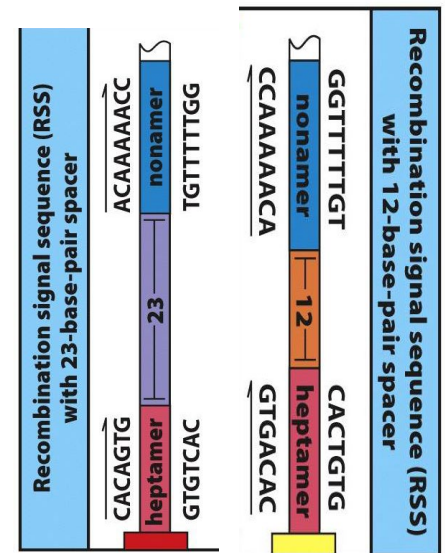
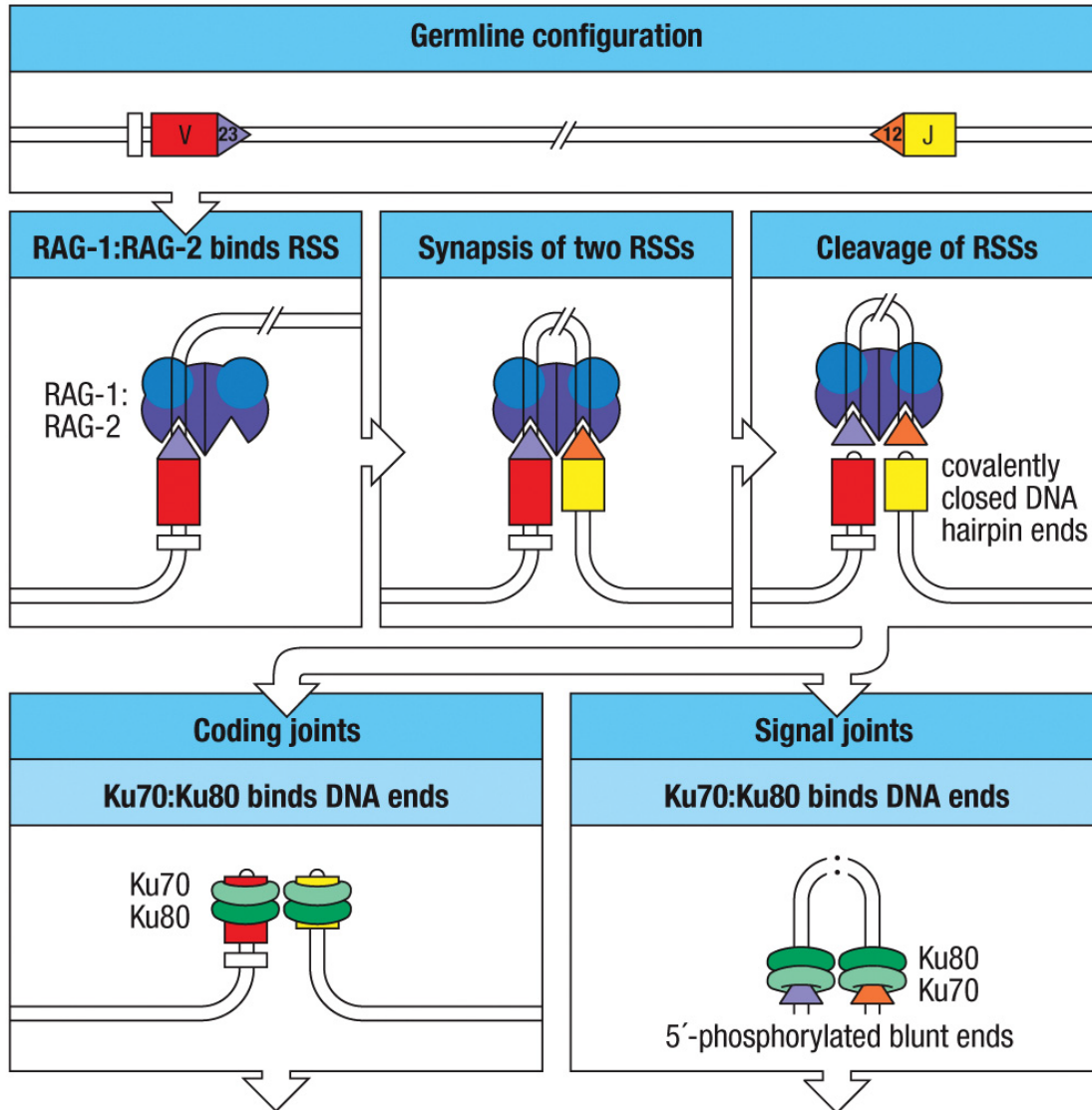
Conformational change when RSSs bind RAG complex



Recombination of V Segments

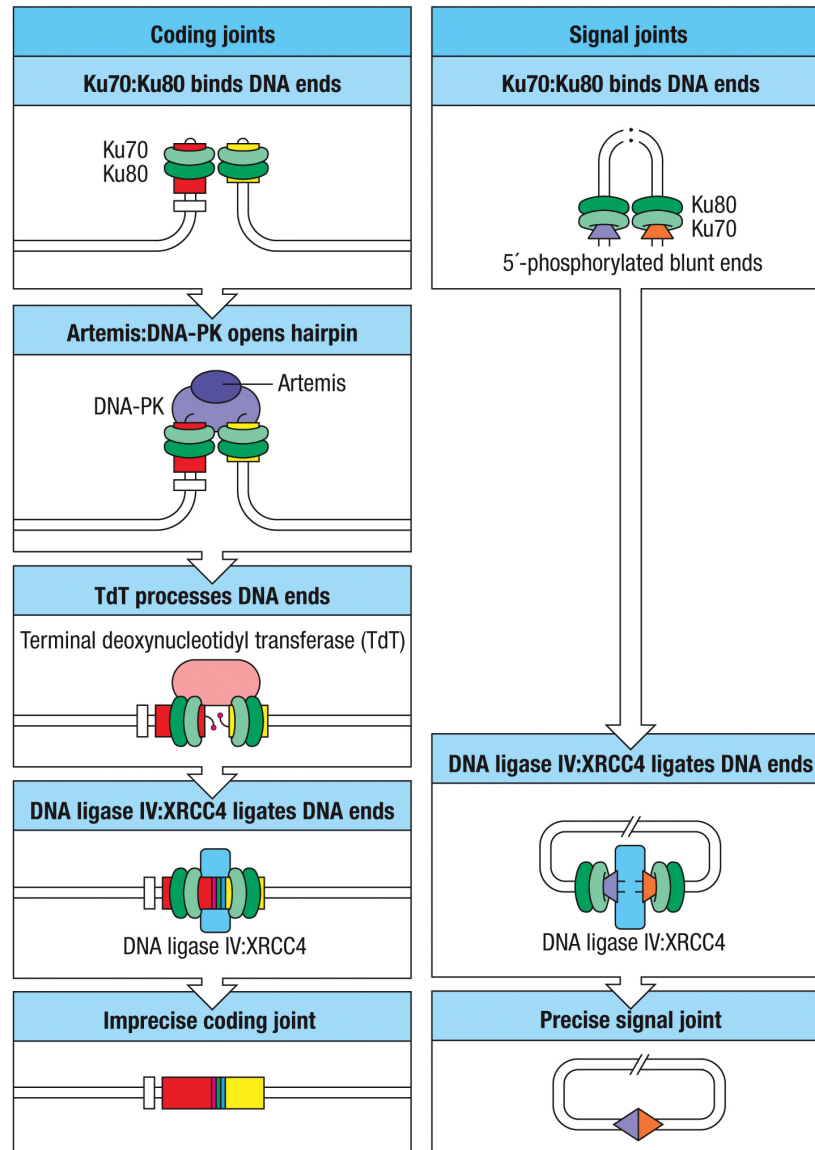


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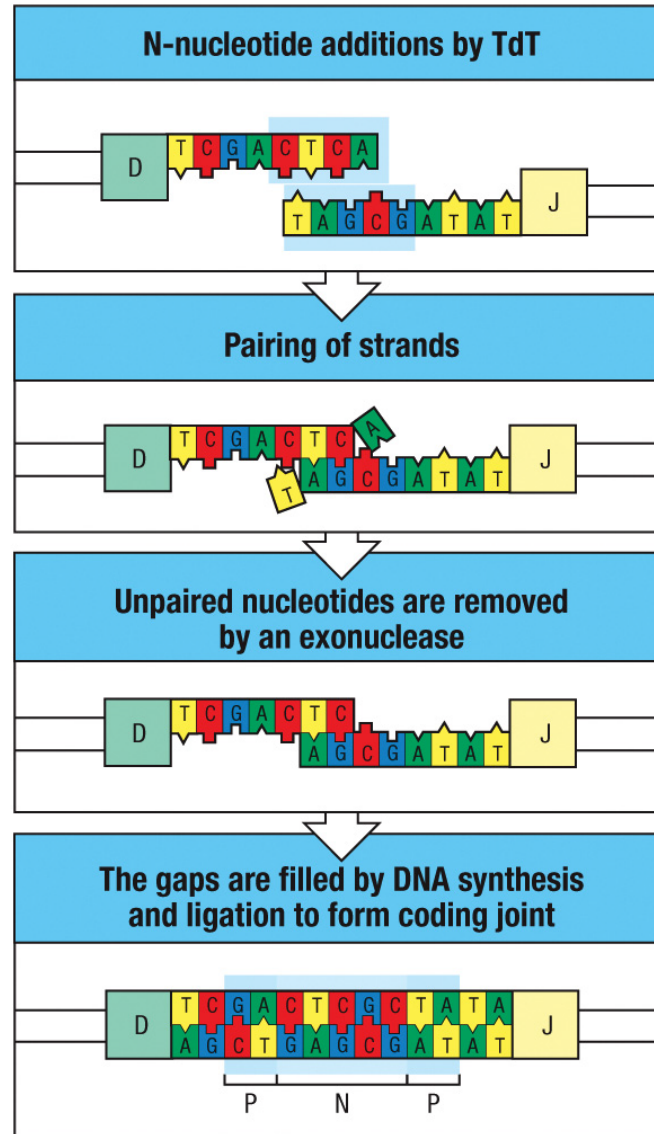
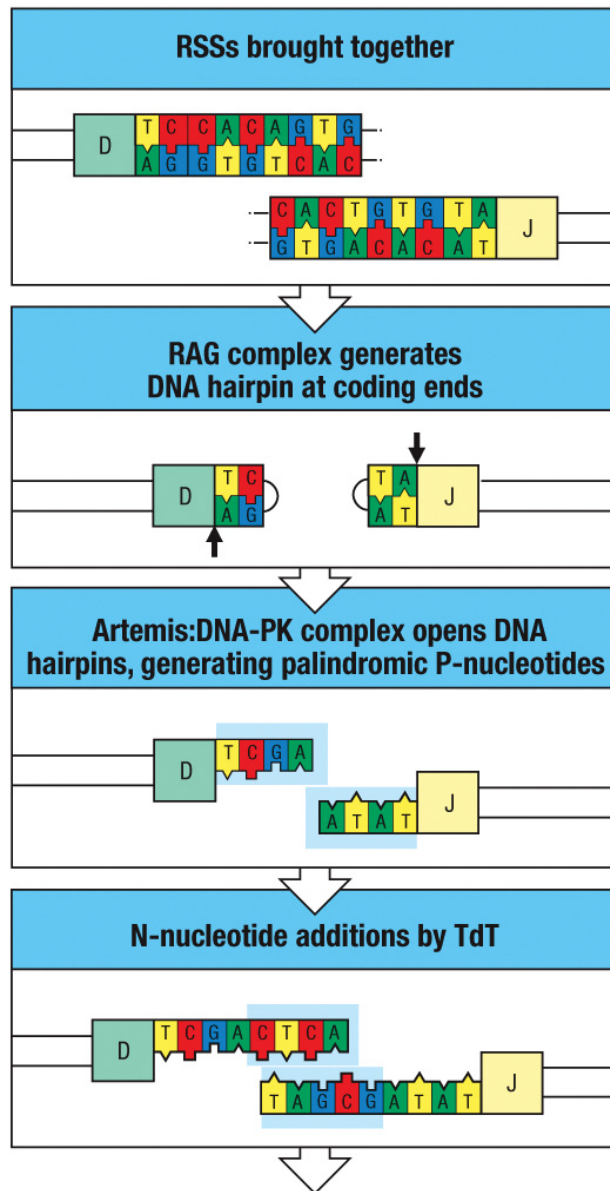


recombination-activating genes

Diversification of VDJ Coding Joints



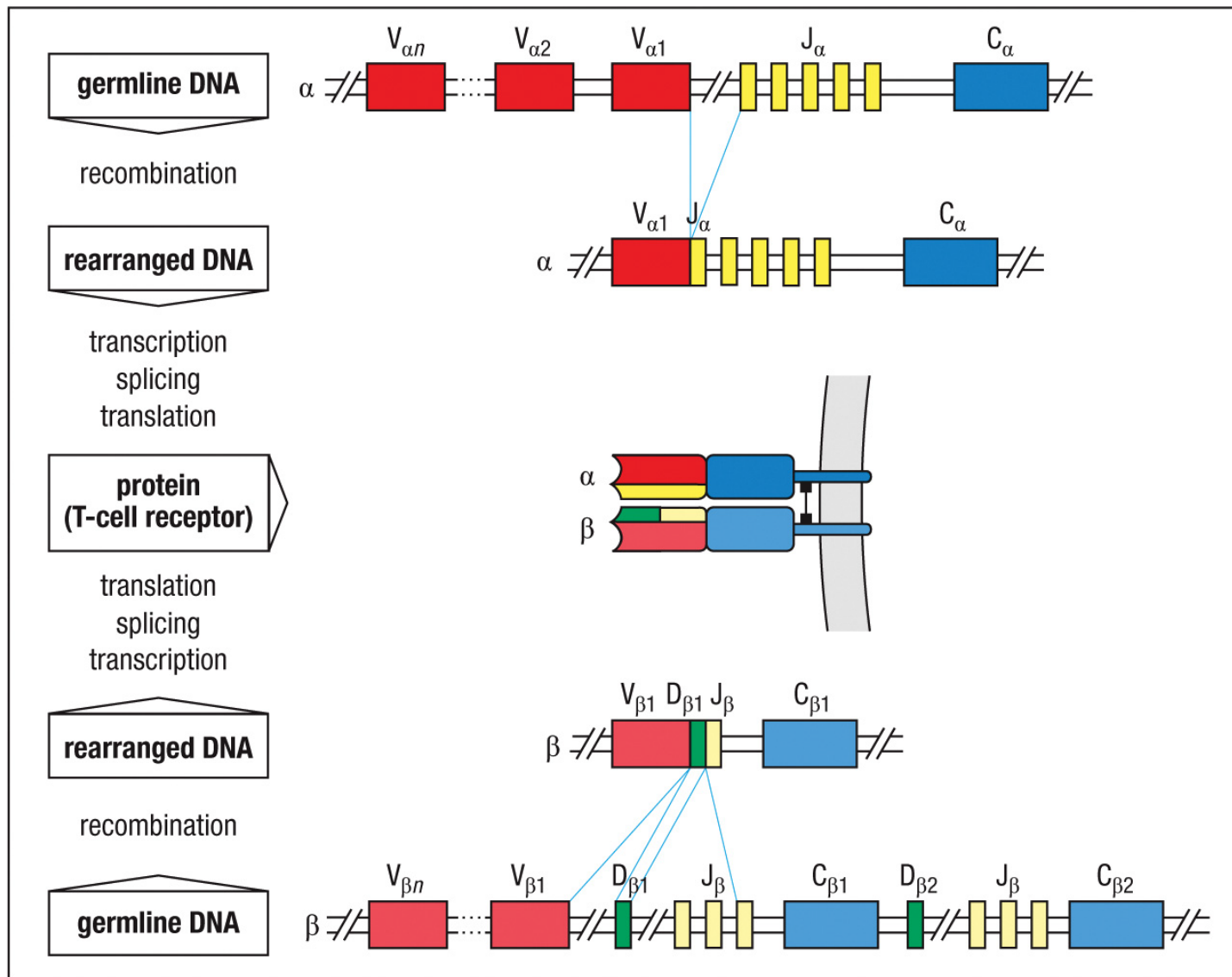
Diversification of VDJ Coding Joints



BCR Vs. TCR Combinatorial Diversity

Element	Immunoglobulin		$\alpha\beta$ T-cell receptors	
	H	$\kappa+\lambda$	β	α
Number of variable segments (V)	~40	~60	~30	~100
Number of diversity segments (D)	23	0	2	0
Number of D segments read in three frames	rarely	—	often	—
Number of joining segments (J)	6	5(κ) 4(λ)	12	~50
Number of joints with N- and P-nucleotides	2 (VD and DJ)	50% of joints	2 (VD and DJ)	1 (VJ)
Number of V gene pairs	1.5×10^6		2.7×10^6	
Total diversity with nucleotide addition and deletion	$\sim 5 \times 10^{13}$		$\sim 10^{18}$	

TCR $\alpha\beta$ Gene Rearrangement



Sources of TCR Diversity

- Combinatorial diversity
 - Multiple segments of the variable region of α and β -chains
 - Multiple β -chains
 - Multiple α -chains for a single β -chain
- Junctional diversity
 - Addition of N-nucleotides by TdT

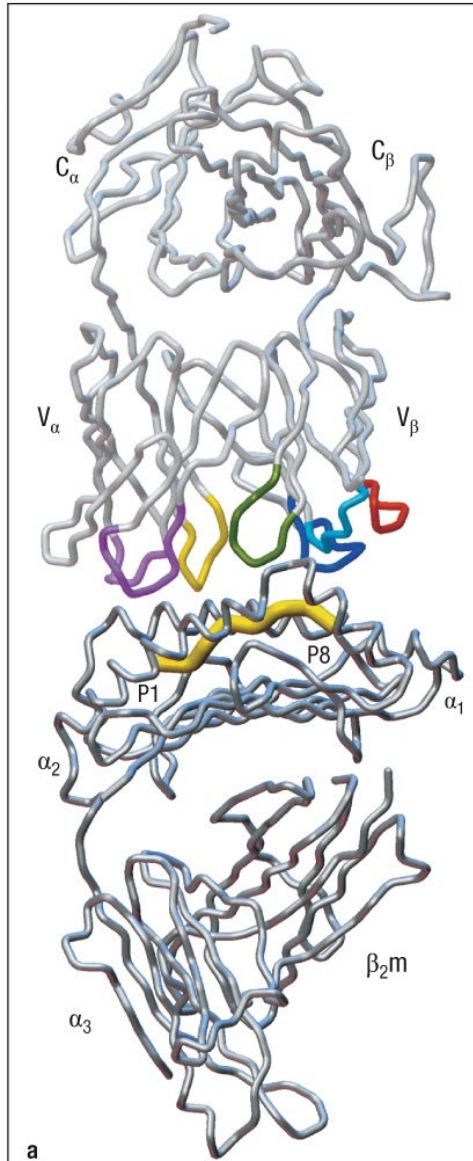
Question

- Every T cell initially starts with the same genomic DNA. How does each of the cells express different TCRs?

Outline

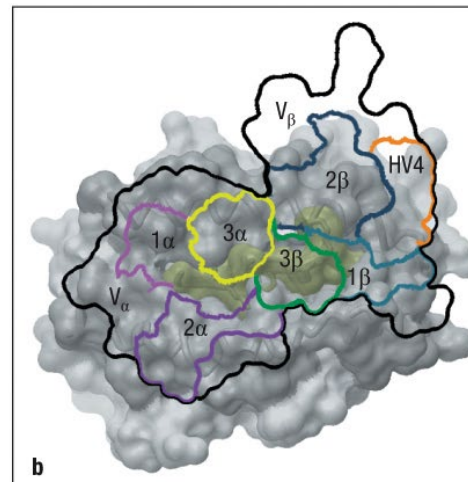
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TCR Binds to Peptide:MHC Complex



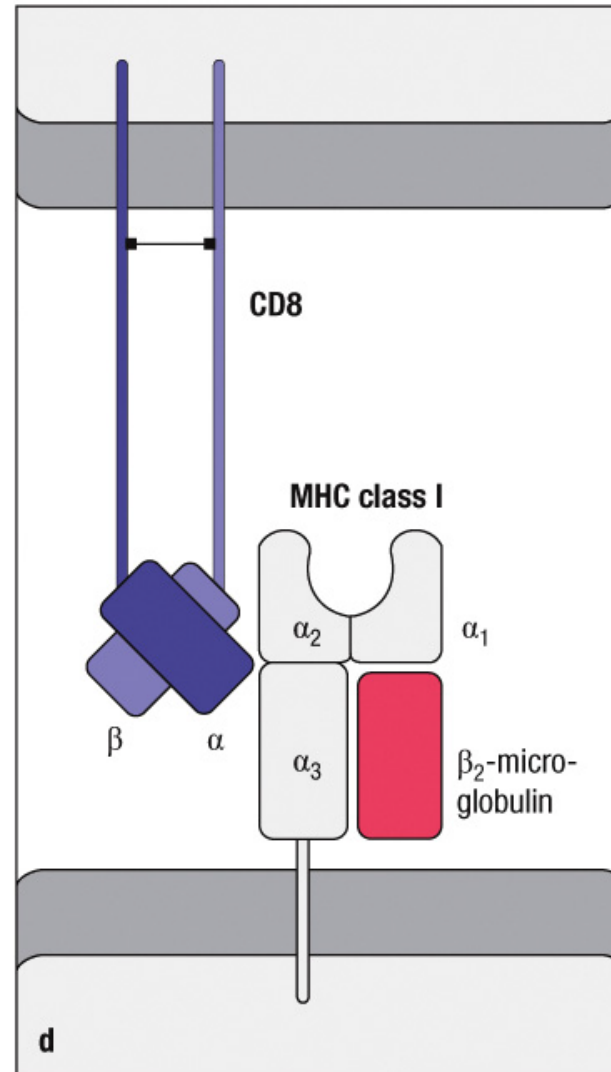
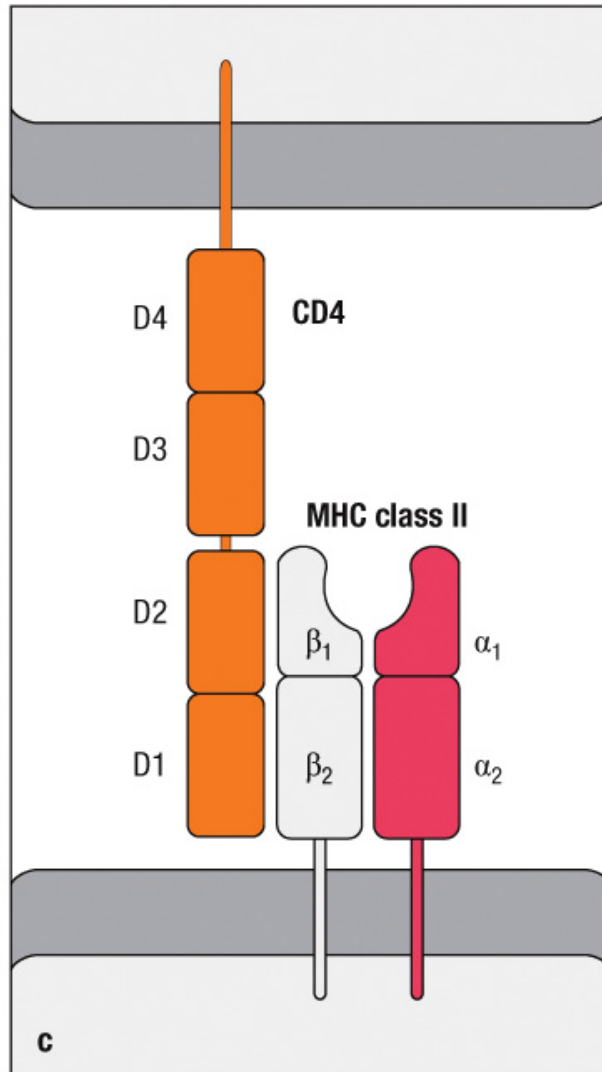
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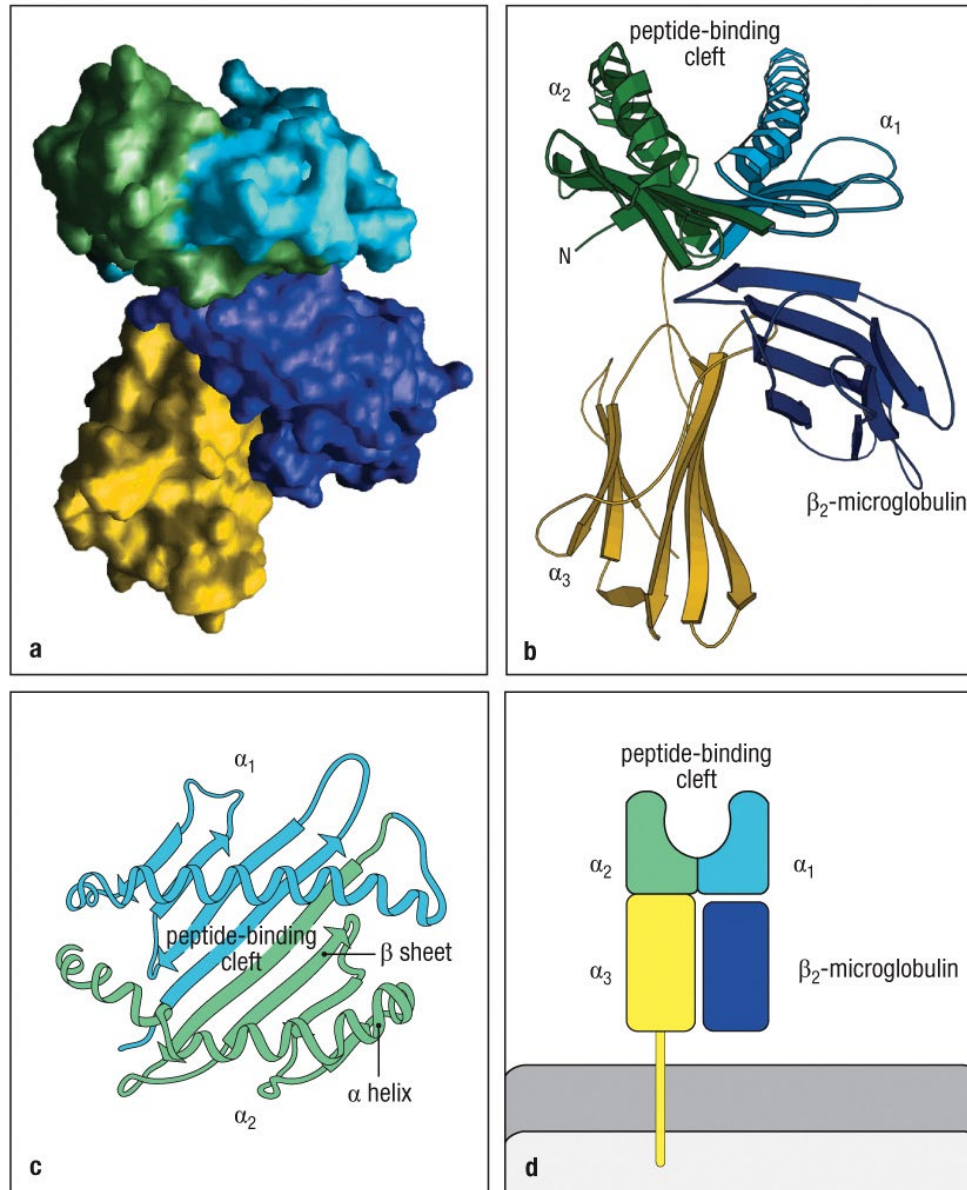


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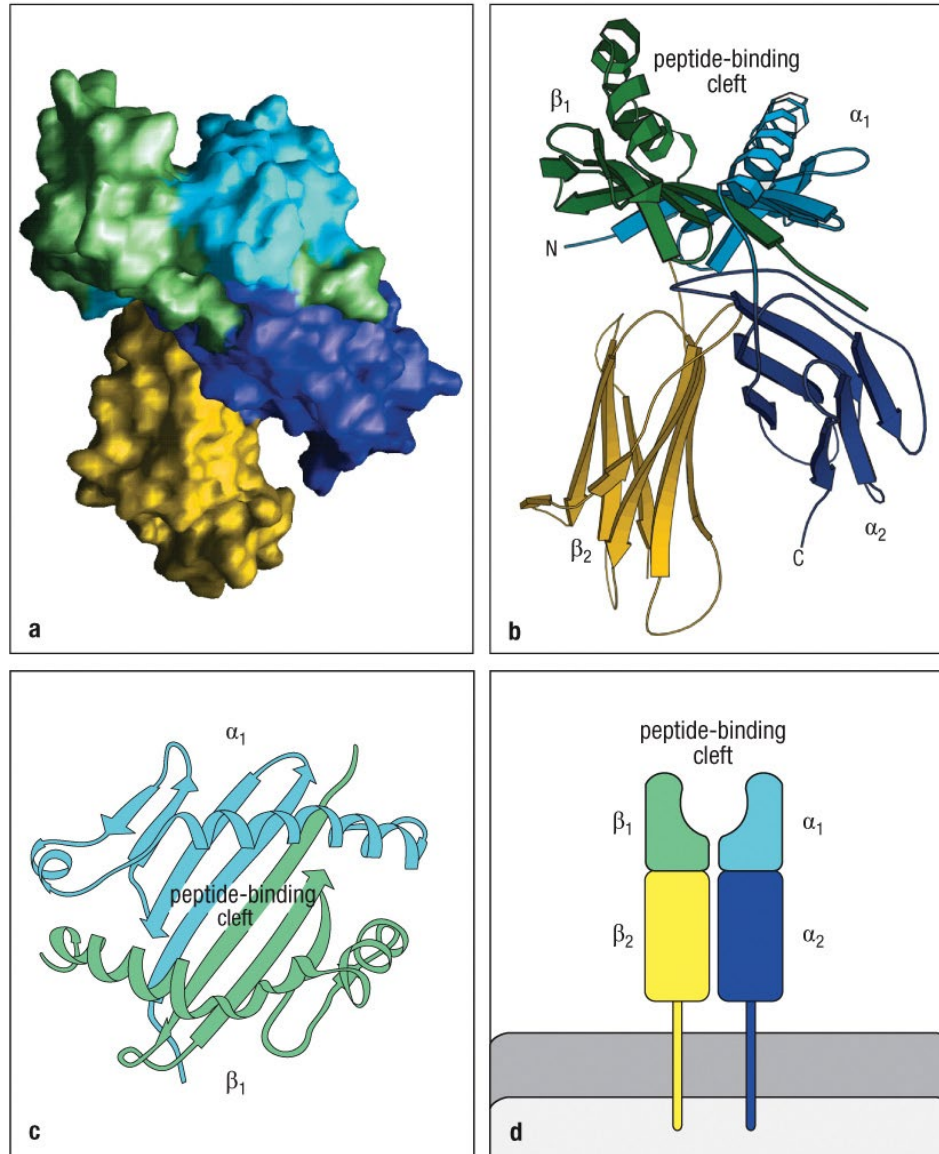
MHC Molecules Display Antigens



Structure of MHC Class I Molecule



Structure of MHC Class II Molecule



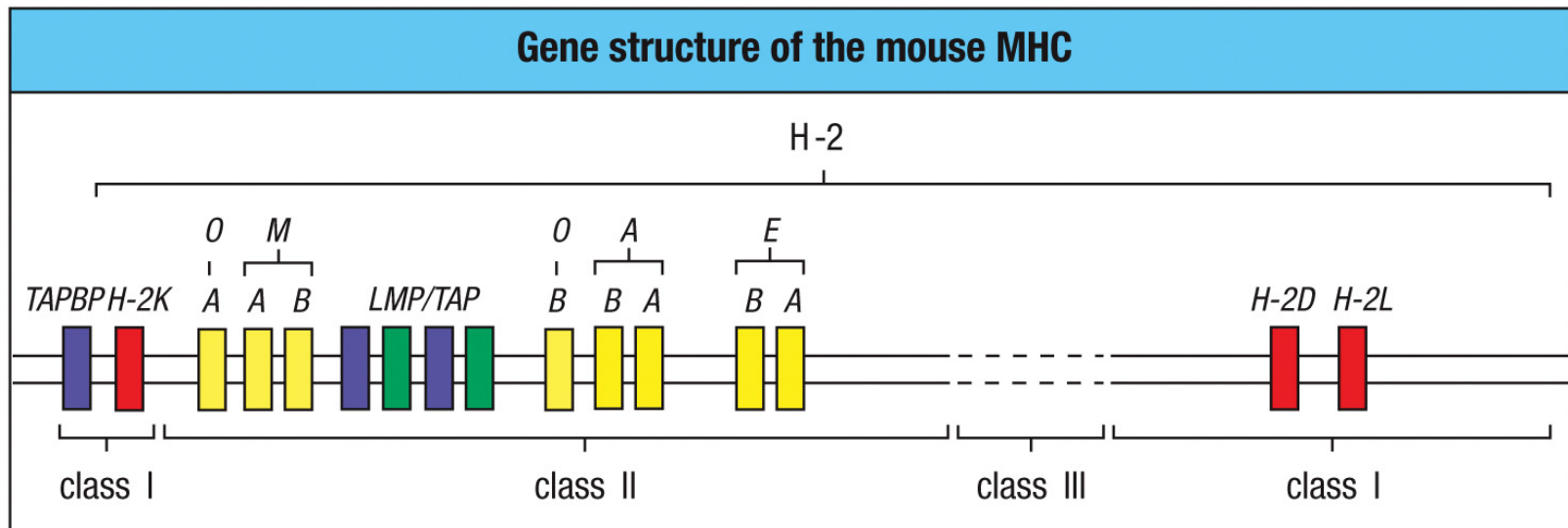
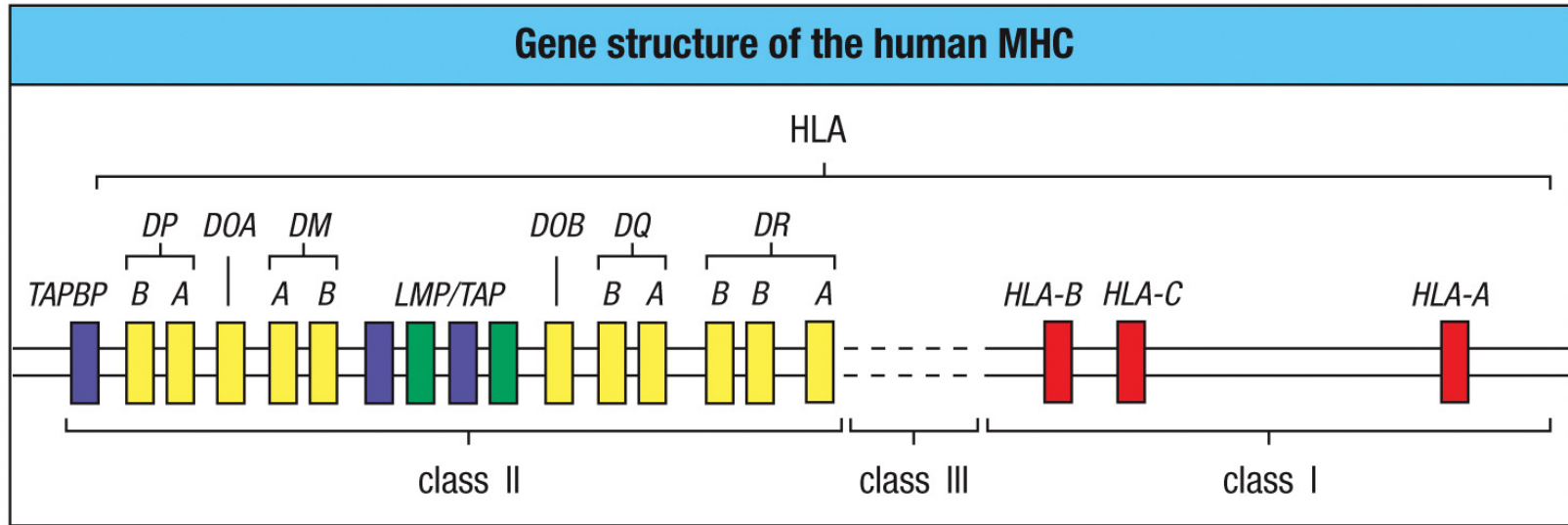
Expression of MHC I/II Molecules

Tissue	MHC class I	MHC class II
Lymphoid tissues		
T cells	+++	+*
B cells	+++	+++
Macrophages	+++	++
Dendritic cells	+++	+++
Epithelial cells of thymus	+	+++

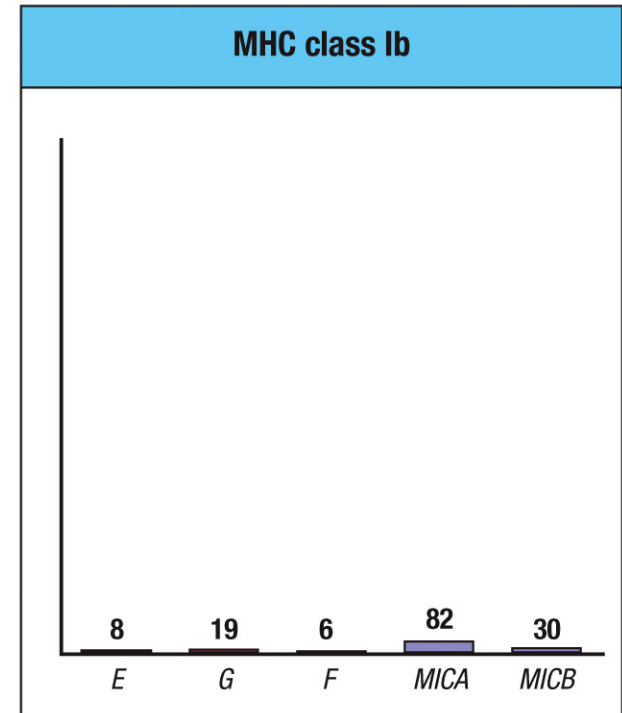
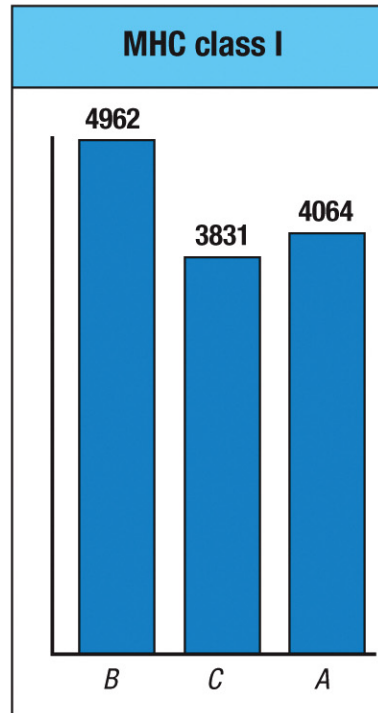
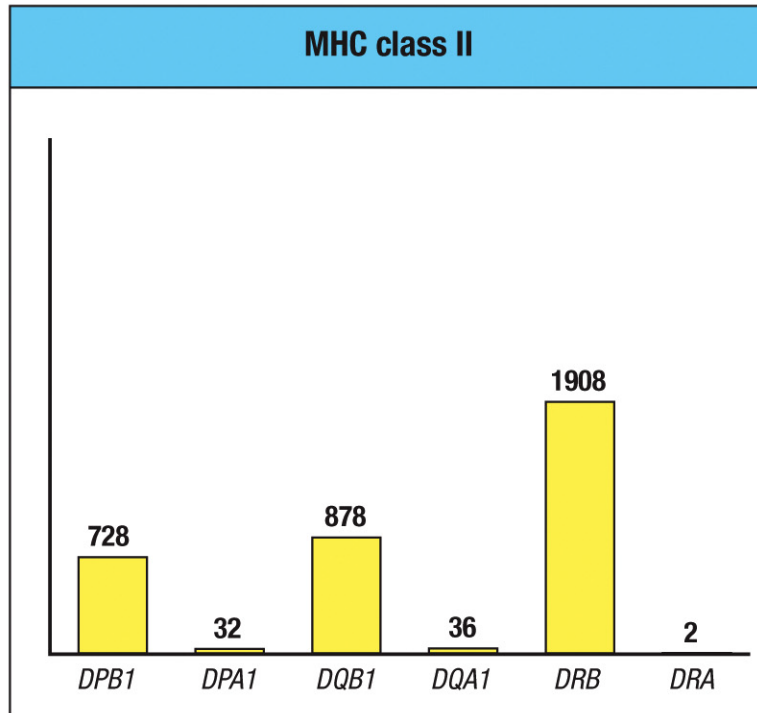
Other nucleated cells		
Neutrophils	+++	—
Hepatocytes	+	—
Kidney	+	—
Brain	+	—†

Nonnucleated cells		
Red blood cells	—	—

Genetic Organization of MHC Locus

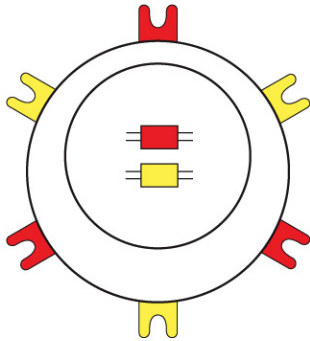


Polymorphism and Polygeny Contribute to MHC Diversity

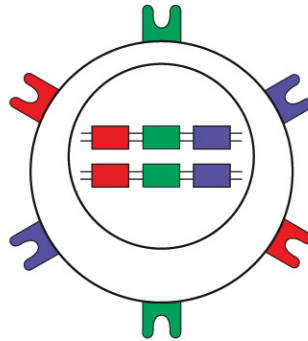


Expression of MHC Alleles Is Co-Dominant

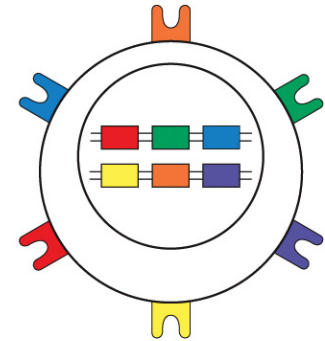
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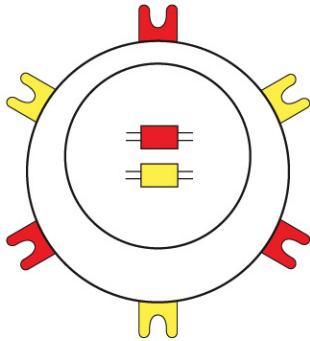


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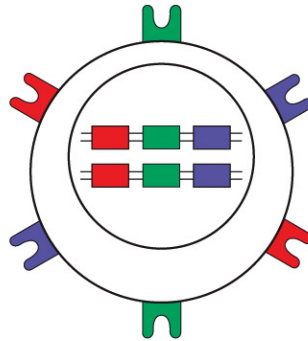


Gene Conversion Can Create New MHC Alleles

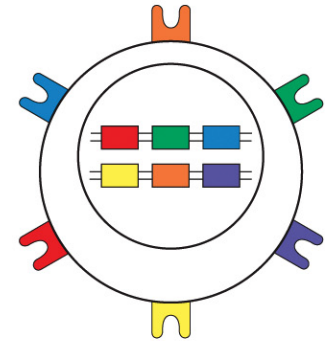
Polymorphism



Polygeny



Polymorphism and polygeny



Question

How many MHC I proteins do you express, assuming we are all heterozygous?

How many MHC I proteins do the entire class express?

Why do we need so many different proteins?

Case Studies

- Toxic Shock Syndrome

Toxic Shock Syndrome

Patient:

16-year-old female

Fever 39°C,

Systemic shock and bright red rash

WBC count 21,000 cells/microliter (normal range 5,000-10,000)

Diagnosis:

Vaginal culture positive for abundant *S.aureus*

Treatment :

Anti-staphylococcal antibiotics

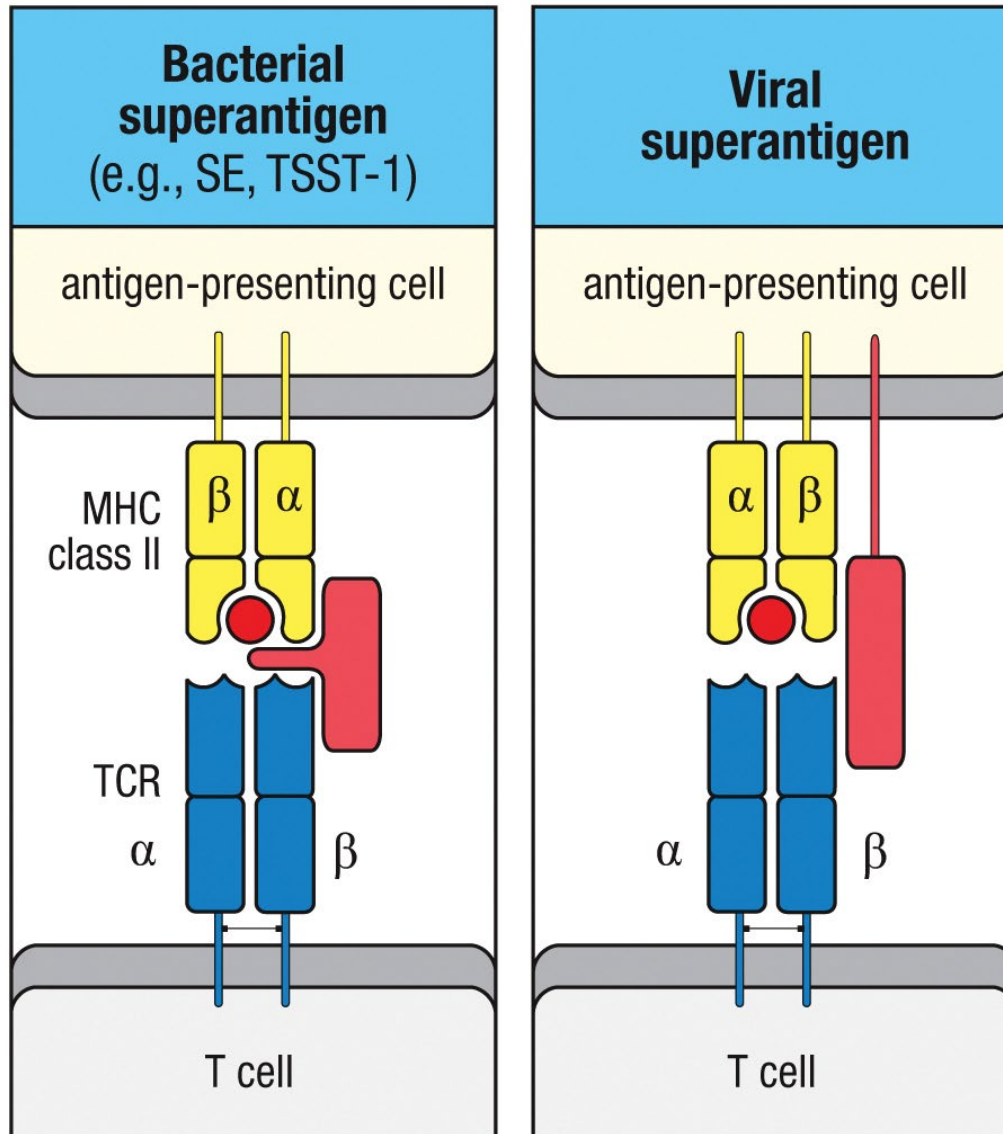
IV fluids

IV immunoglobulin

Outcome:

Slowly recovered

Superantigens Bind Directly to TCR V β and MHC II



Examples of Superantigens

Disease	Superantigen	TCR V β
Definite role for superantigen		
Toxic shock syndrome	TSST-1	V β 2
Staphylococcal food poisoning	SEA	V β 3, V β 11
	SEB	V β 3, V β 12, V β 14, V β 15, V β 17, V β 20
	SEC	V β 5, V β 12, V β 13.1–2, V β 14, V β 15, V β 17, V β 20
	SED	V β 5, V β 12
	SEE	V β 5.1, V β 6.1–3, V β 8, V β 18
Streptococcal toxic shock syndrome	SPE-A	V β 8, V β 12, V β 14
Scarlet fever	SPE-B	V β 2, V β 8
<i>Mycoplasma arthritidis</i> (rodent)	MAM	V β 17
<i>Clostridium perfringens</i>	Enterotoxin	V β 6.9, V β 22
Suspected role for superantigen		
HIV	CMV	V β 12
Type I diabetes mellitus	MMTV-like	V β 7
Rabies virus	Nucleocapsid	V β 8
Toxoplasmosis	?	V β 5
<i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i>	?	V β 8
<i>Yersinia enterocolitica</i>	?	V β 3, V β 6, V β 11
Kawasaki disease	?	V β 2, V β 8

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Expansion in Numbers of Superantigen-Specific T Cells

RT-PCR

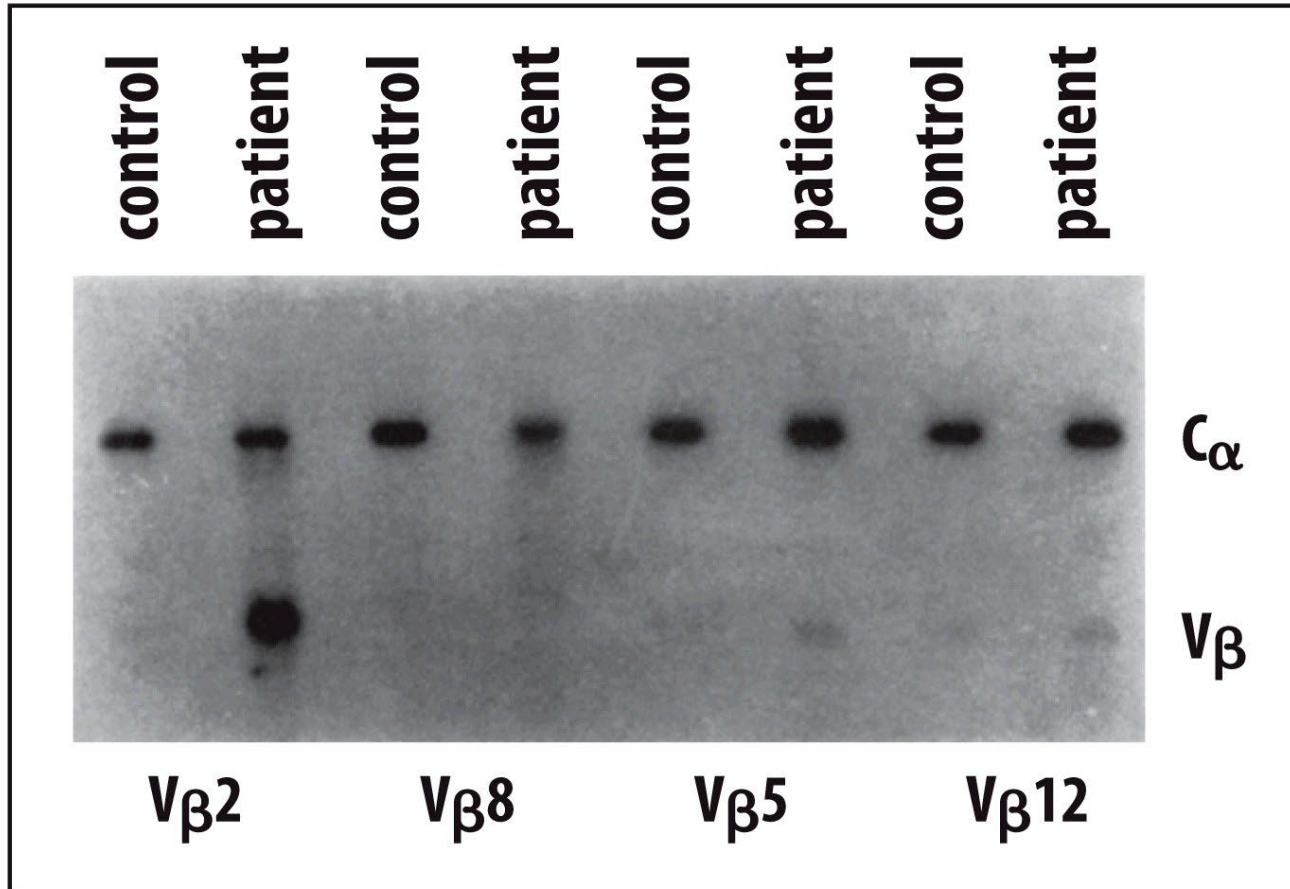
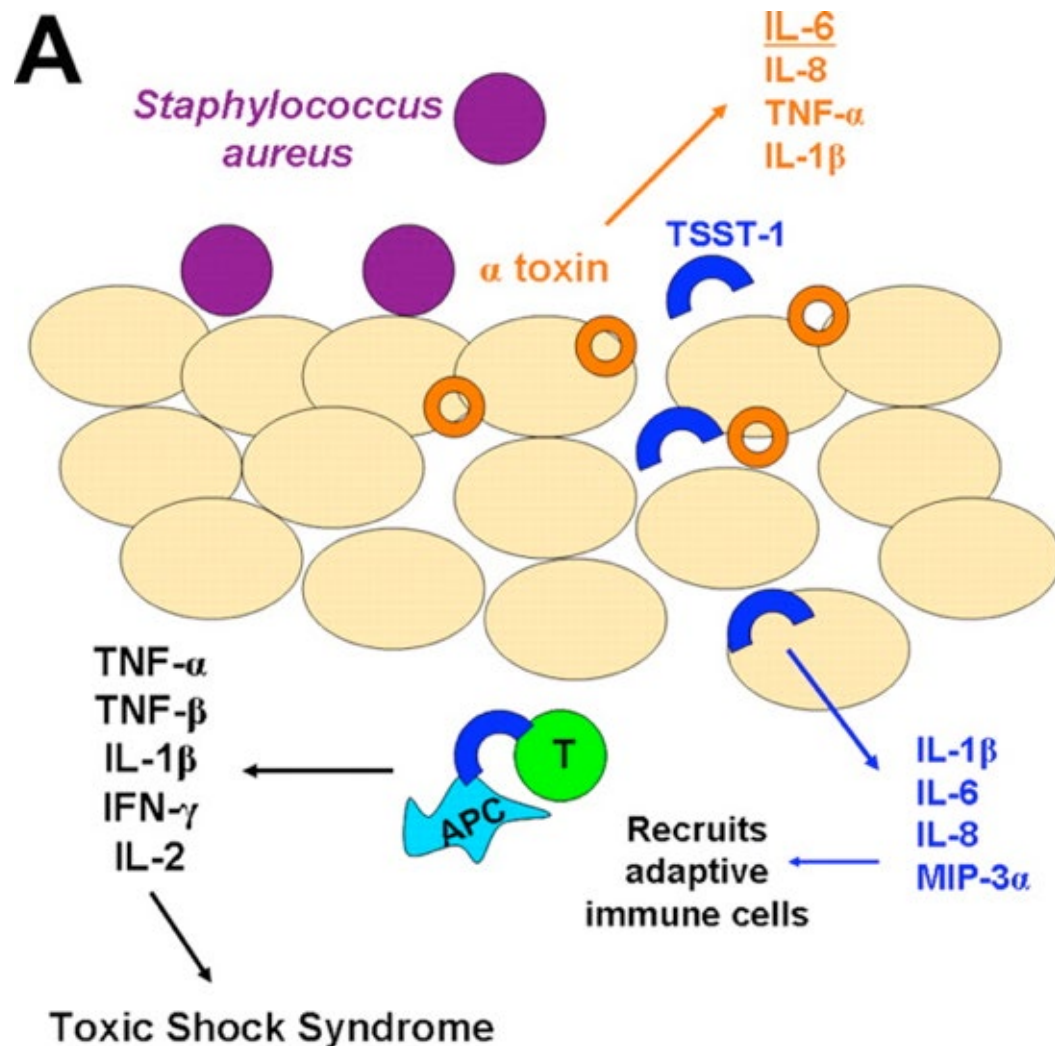


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How Do Superantigens Induce Systemic Shock?

- Direct activation of large number of T cells.
 - Tetanus toxoid: 1 in 10,000
 - Superantigen: 2%~20%
- Massive and unregulated cytokine production

Cytokine Production Induced by Superantigens



How do you determine whether a protein behaves as a superantigen?

Properties of superantigens:

- Can activate naive T cells
 - will induce proliferation of lymphocytes from newborns and directly from thymus
- No processing is required for T cell activation
 - can induce proliferation of purified T cells in the presence of fixed monocytes (can't process antigen)
- Binding of protein in question to MHC II confirms it as a superantigen

Why is TSST-1 Rare?

- *S. aureus* colonized 25-50% of the population and half of them produce superantigens.
- Protected by toxin specific antibodies

Why Did the 1918 Virus Kill So Many Healthy Young Adults?

