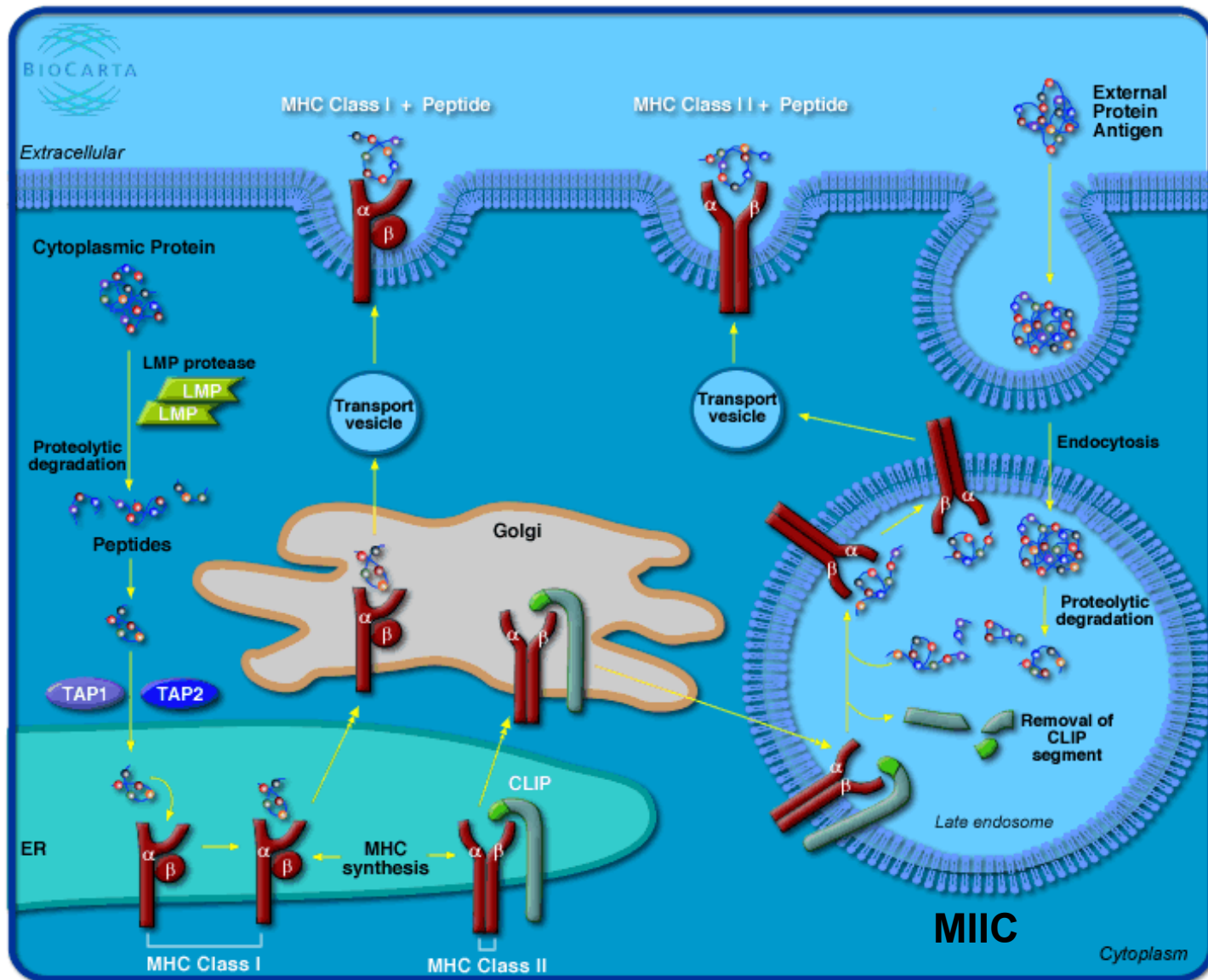


MHC Class I and II Life Cycle



Cross-presentation

The **presentation** of exogenous antigens on MHC class I molecules

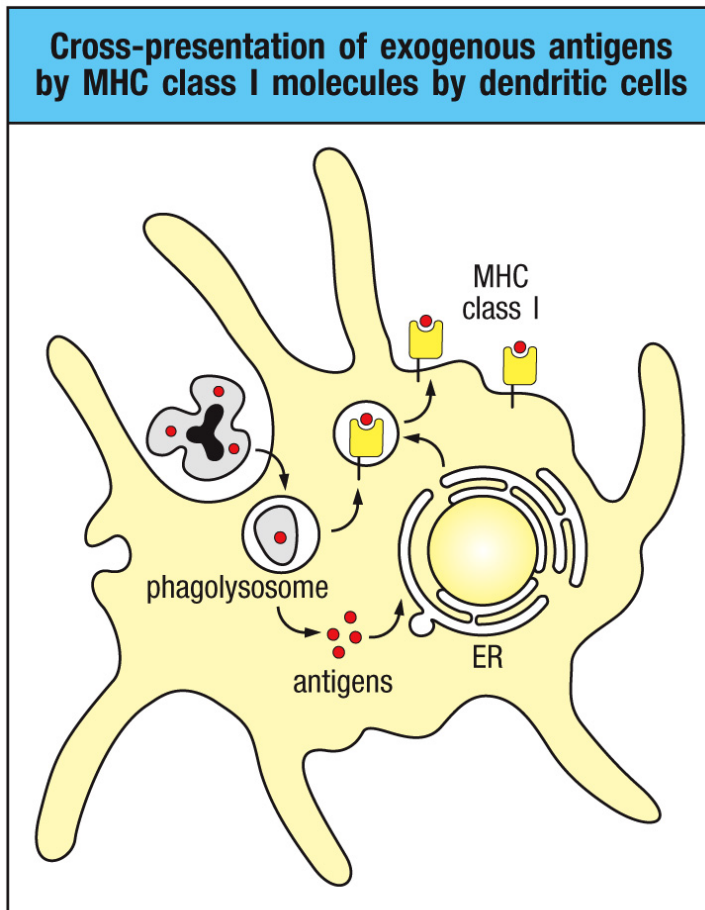


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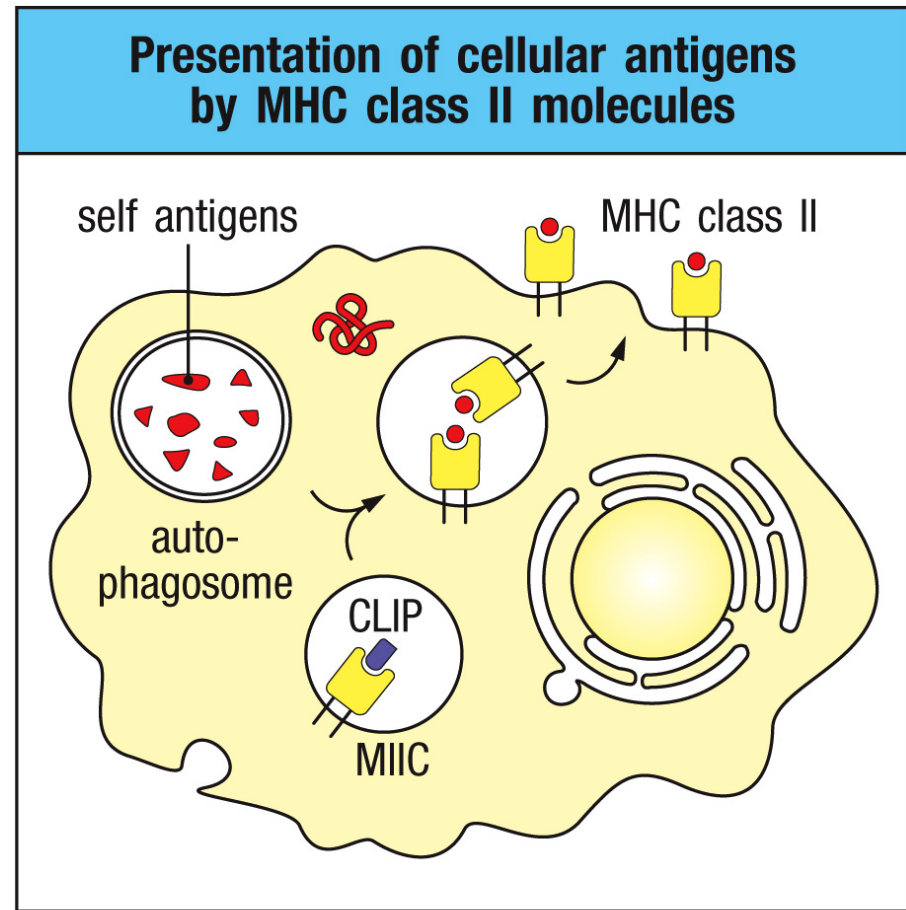


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Outline

- T cell development
 - Thymus
 - Stages of T-cell development

T Cells Migrate to Thymus to Mature

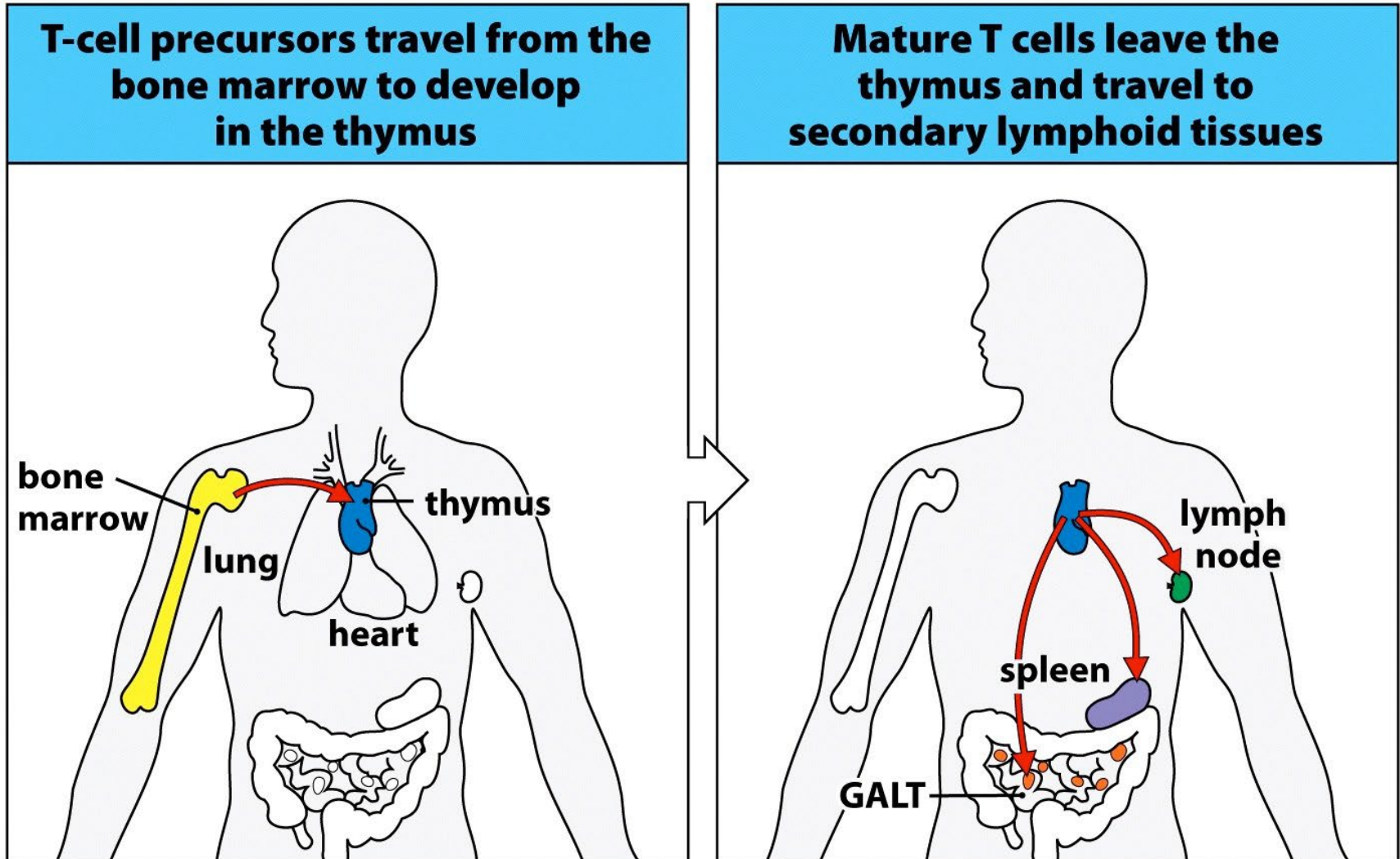
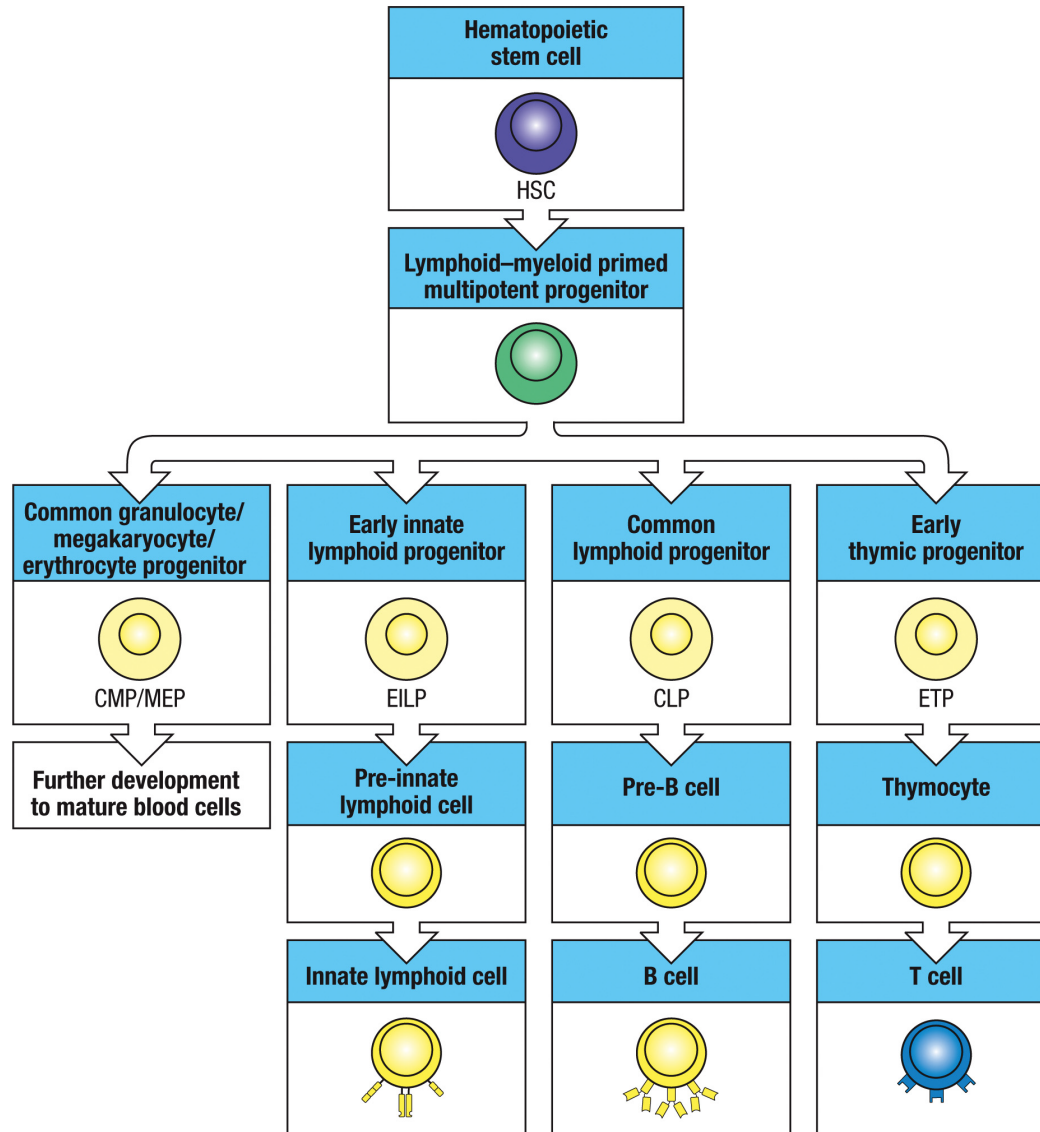
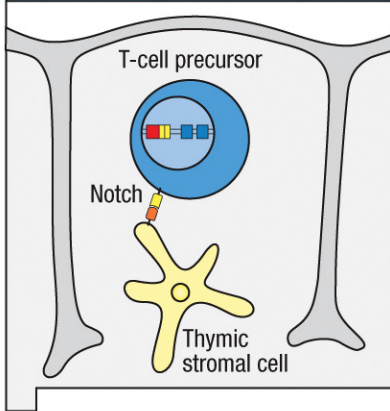


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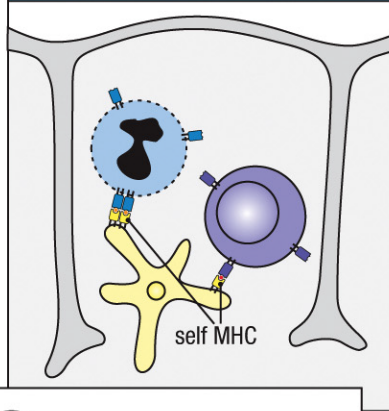


Life Cycle of a T Cell

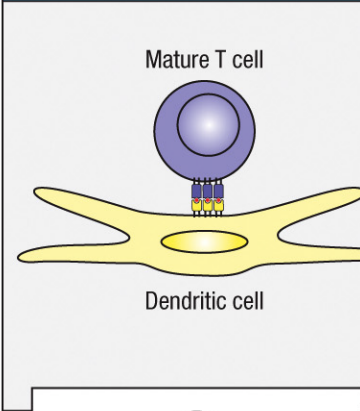
Precursors commit to the T-cell lineage after Notch signaling in the thymus and initiate T-cell receptor gene rearrangements



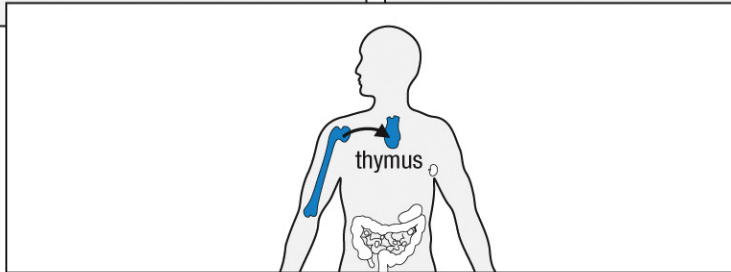
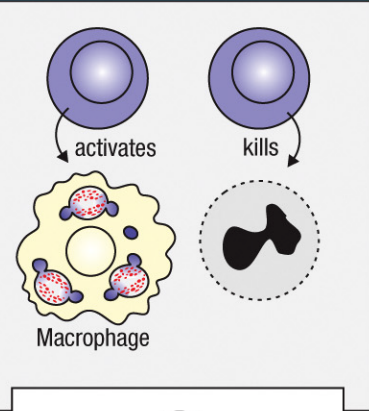
Immature T cells in the thymus that recognize self MHC receive signals for survival. Those that interact strongly with self antigen are removed from the repertoire



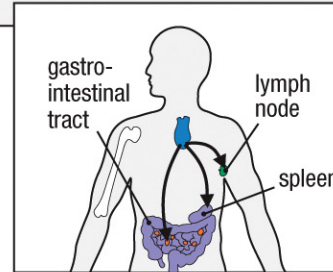
Mature T cells encounter foreign antigens in the peripheral lymphoid organs and are activated



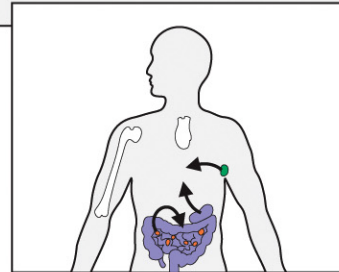
Activated T cells proliferate and eliminate infection



T-cell progenitors develop in the bone marrow and migrate to the thymus where the cells complete their development by rearranging their antigen receptor genes and undergoing repertoire selection

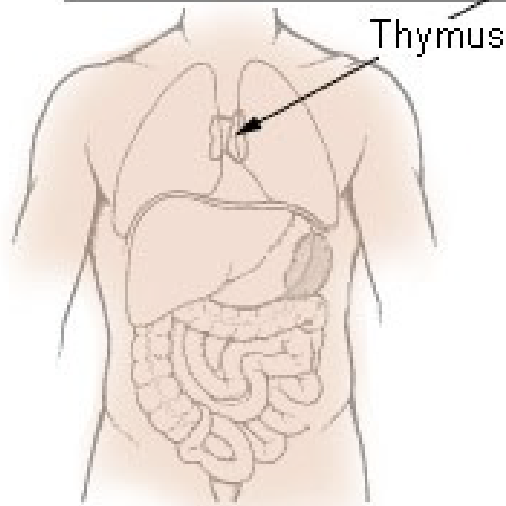
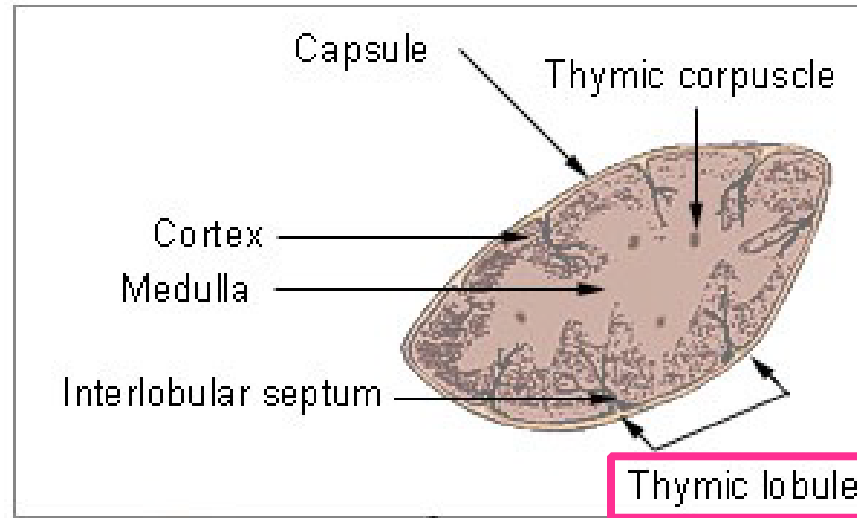


Mature T cells migrate to the peripheral lymphoid organs



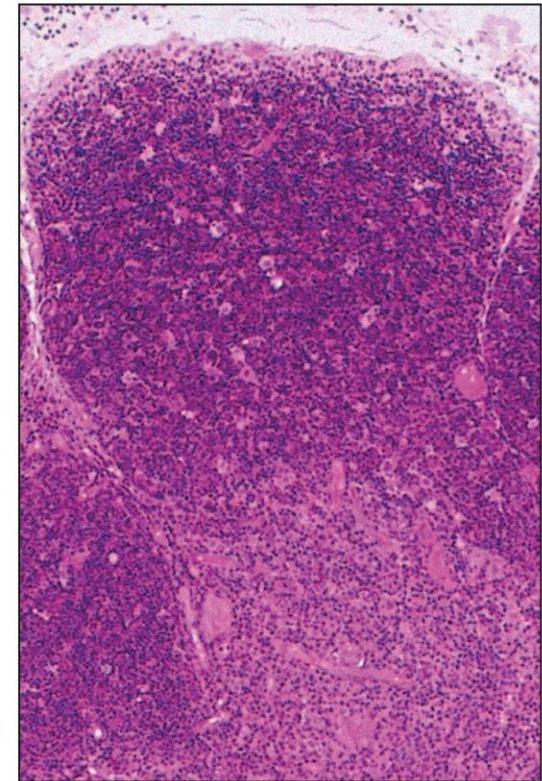
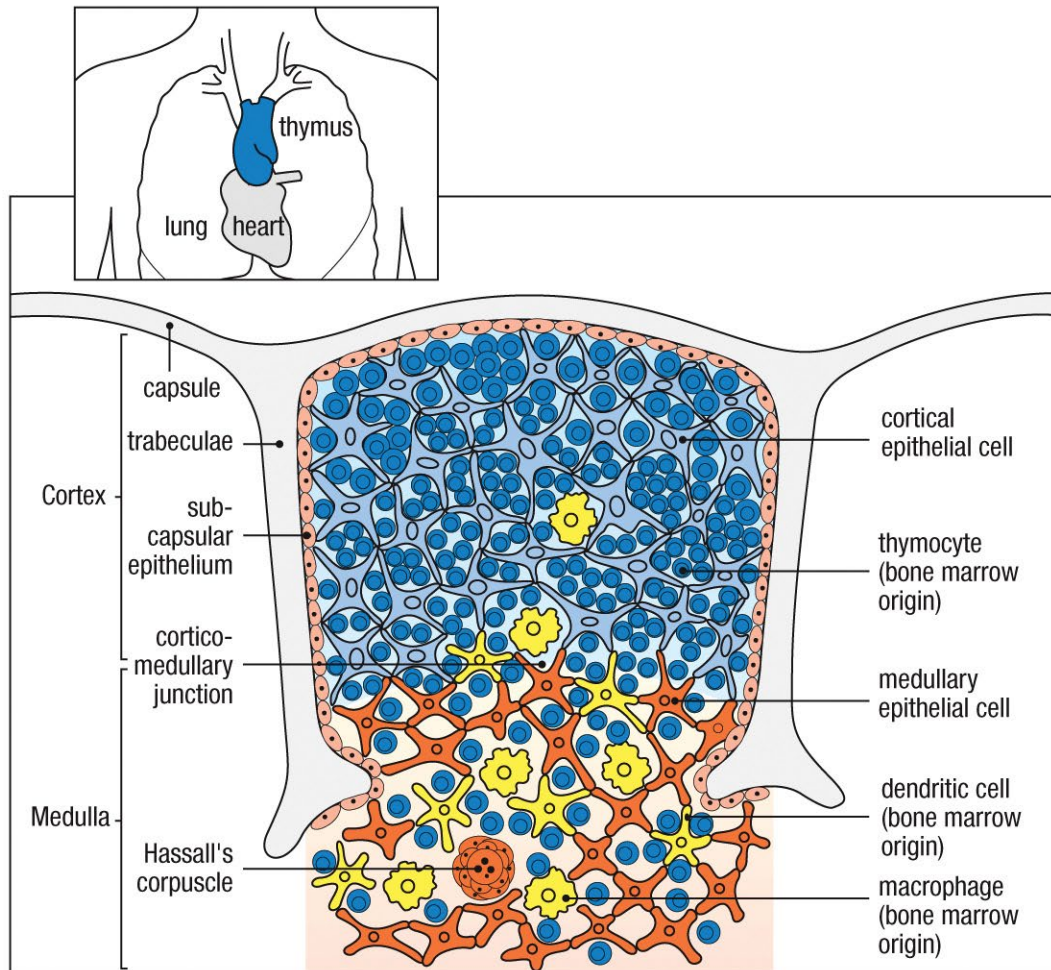
Activated T cells migrate to sites of infection

Thymus



Thymus

Cellular Organization of the Thymus



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Cortex of the Thymus

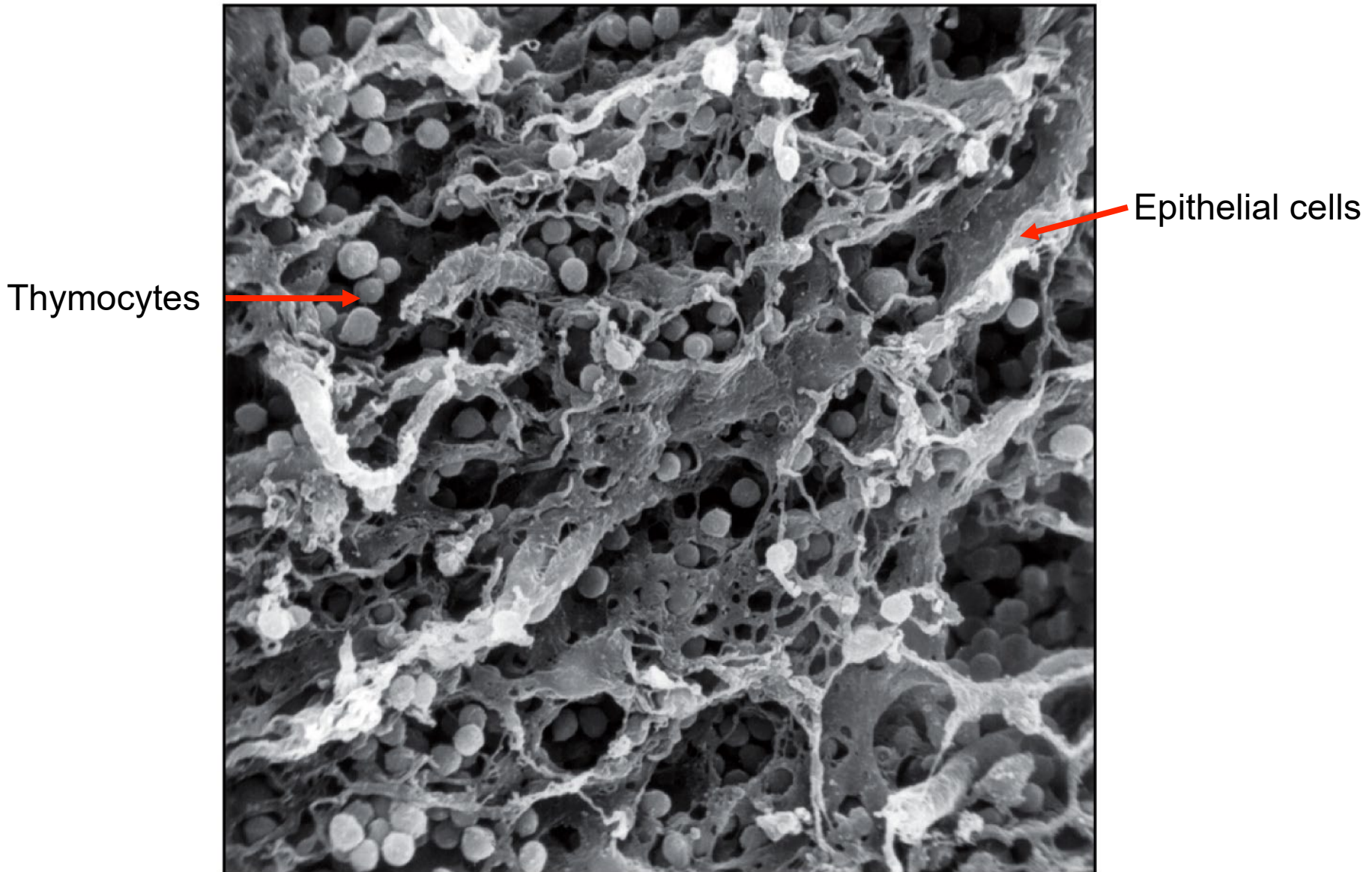


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Notch Signaling Commits the Progenitor to T-Cell Lineage

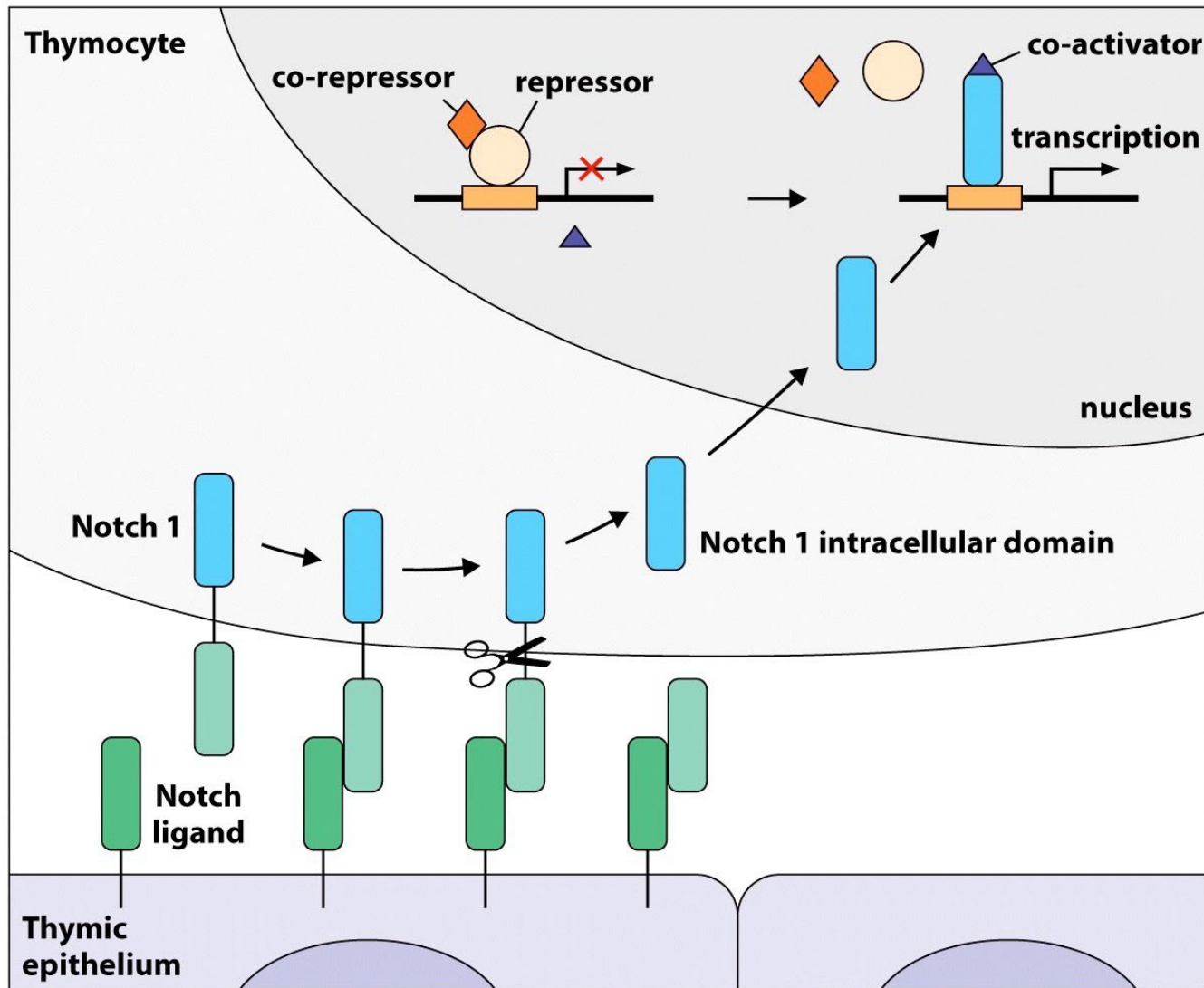
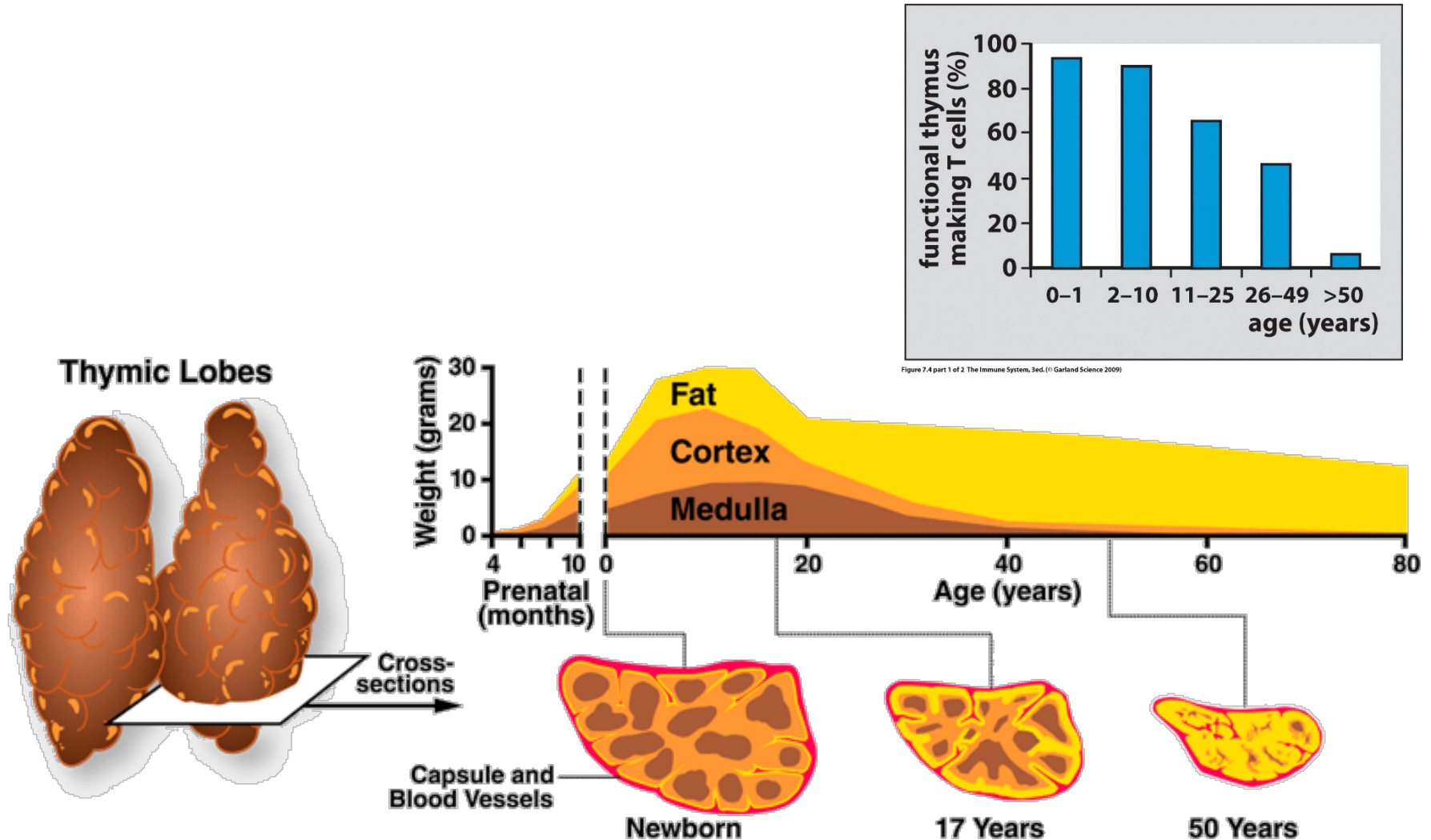
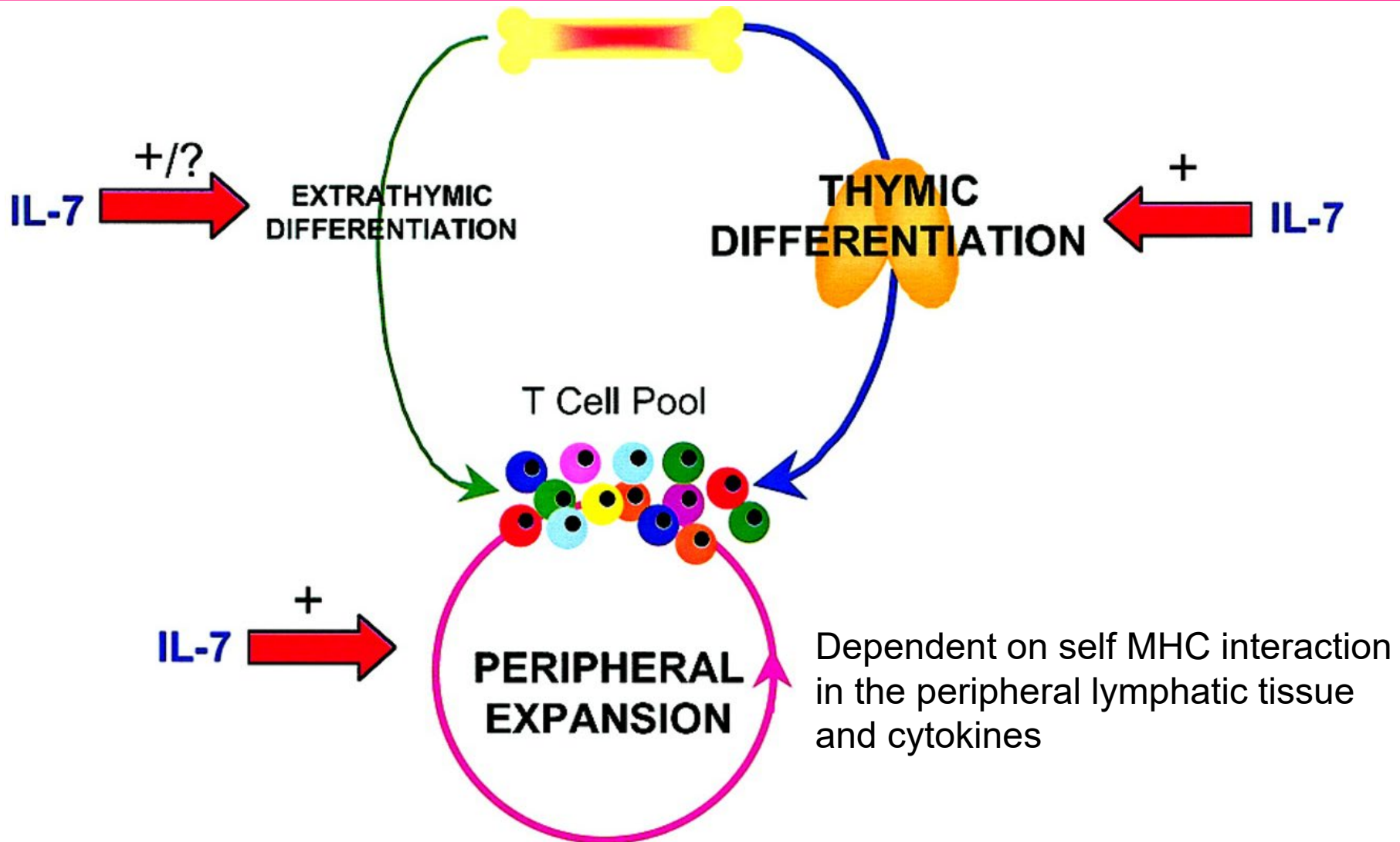


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Changes in Thymic Weight and Composition with Age



T Cell Homeostasis in the Periphery



Thymus Is Required for T-Cell Maturation

BCR and TCR rearrangement defect



***scid/scid* mouse**

Thymic epithelium fails to differentiate



***nu/nu* mouse**

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Thymus Is Required for T-Cell Maturation

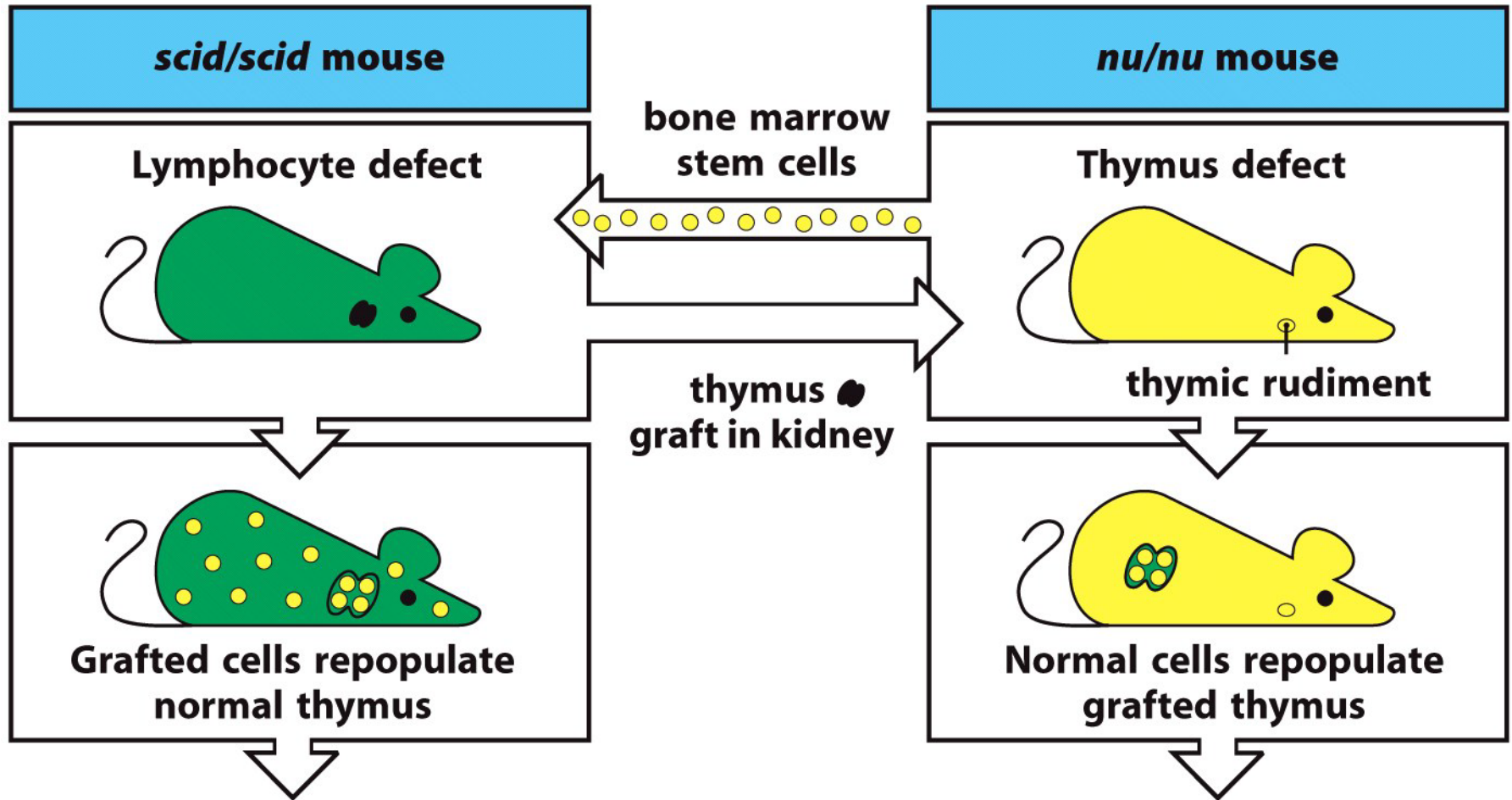


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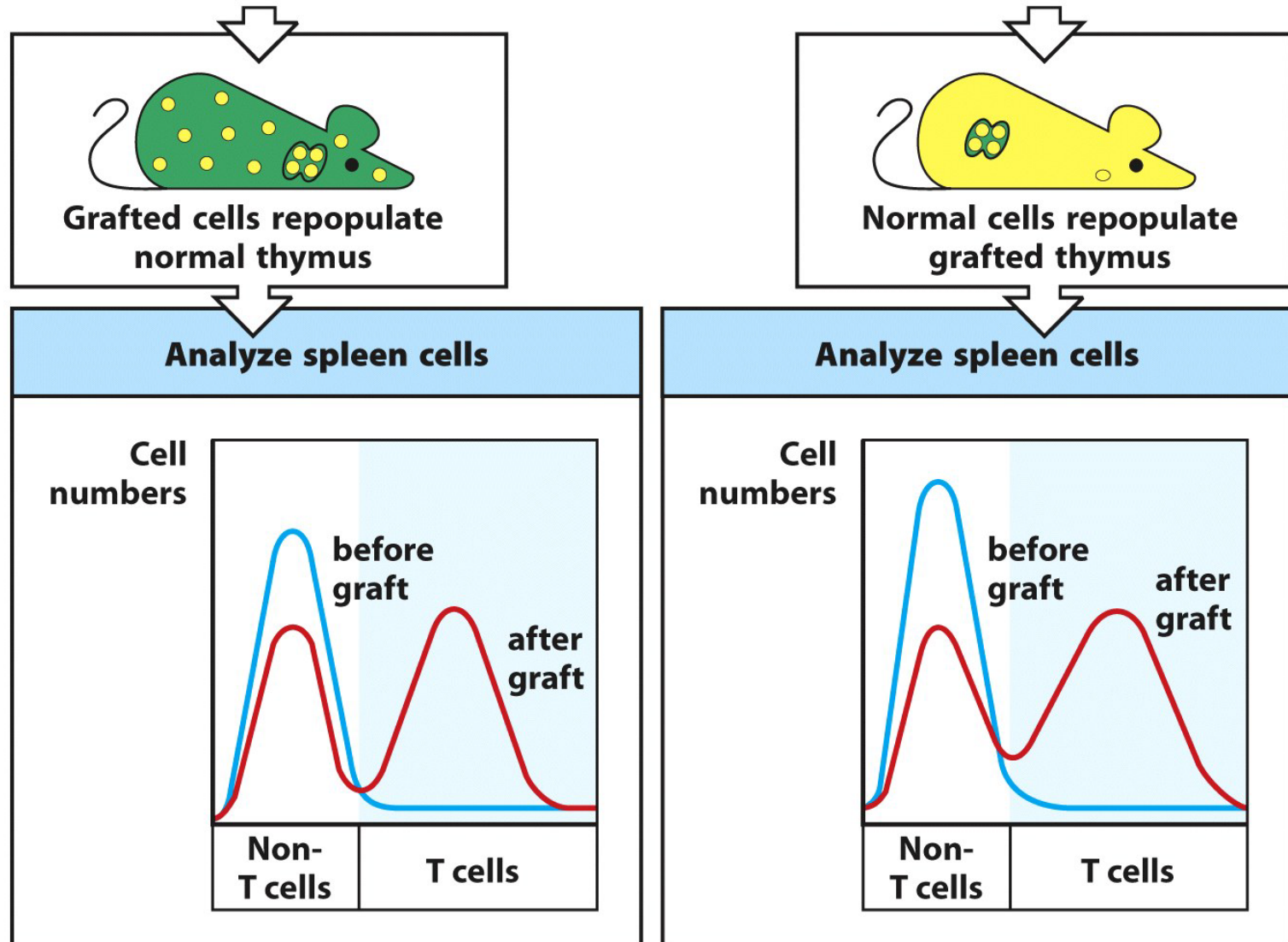


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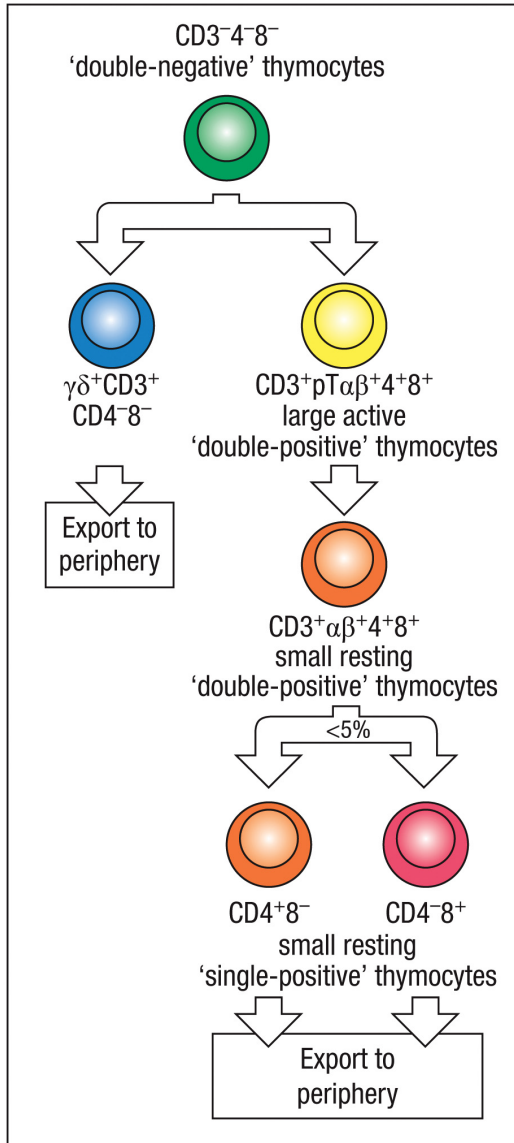
Question

- Why are people with defects in thymic epithelium immune deficient?

Outline

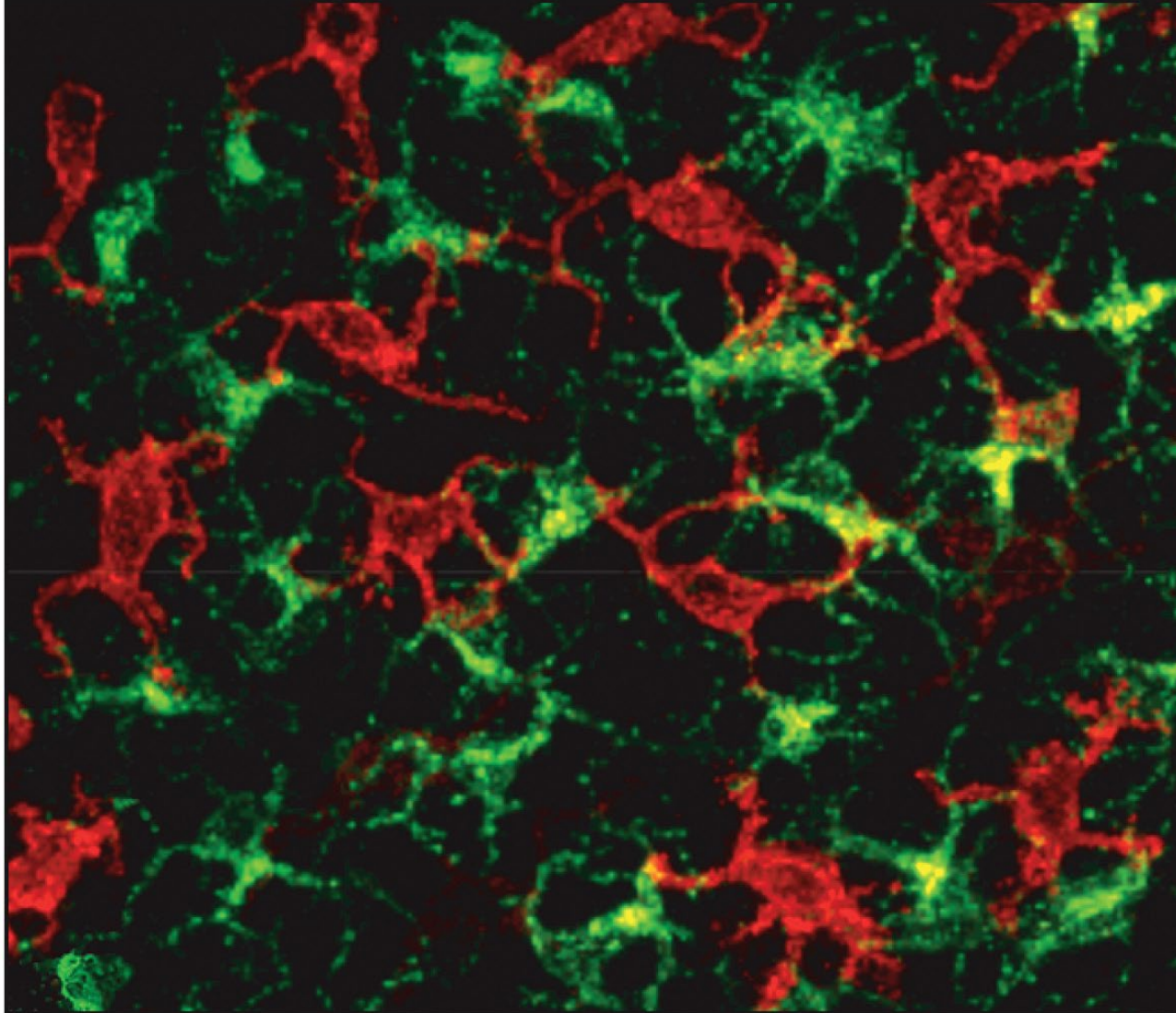
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T Cell Development



About 1-2 million good T cells every day
2-4 % success rate

Dendritic Epidermal T Cells



Courtesy of Adrian Hayday

Generation of $\gamma:\delta$ T Cells

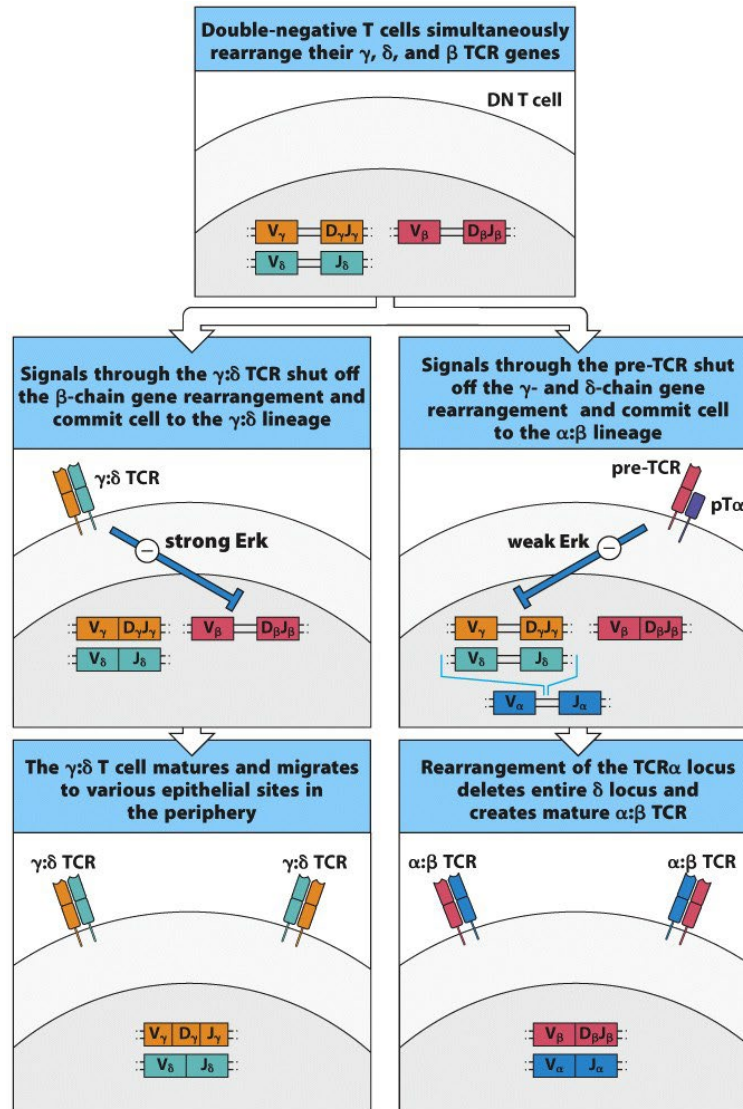
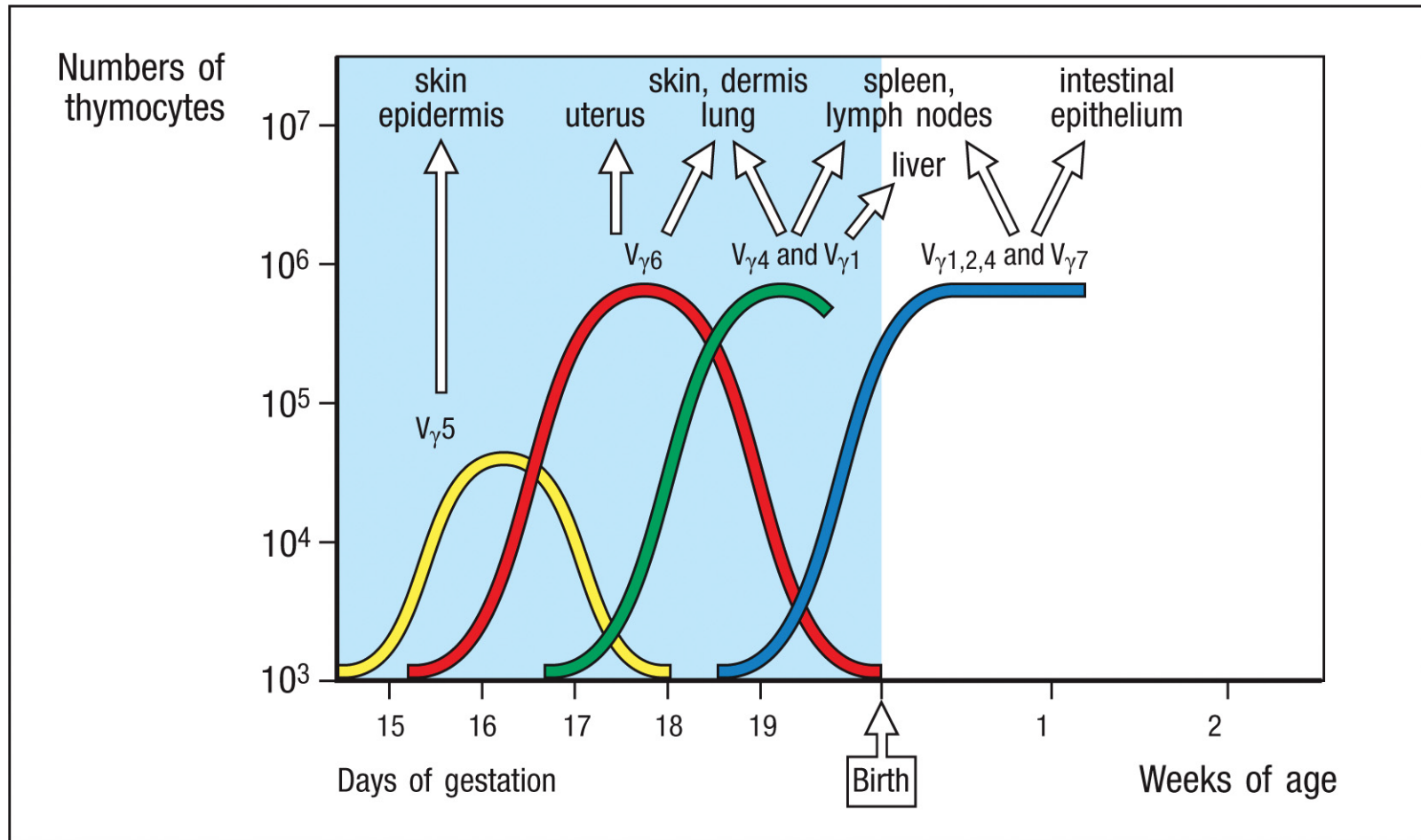
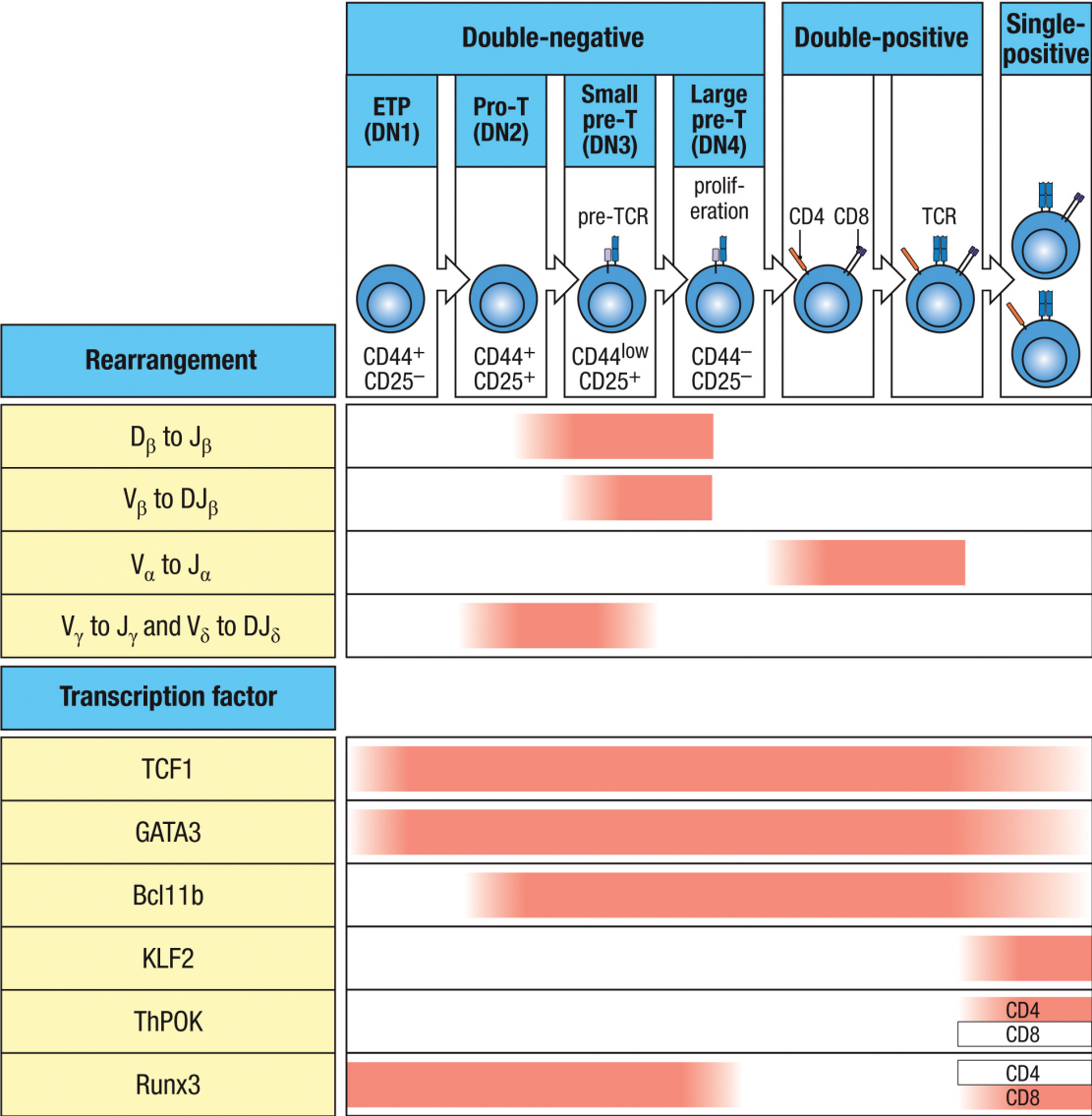


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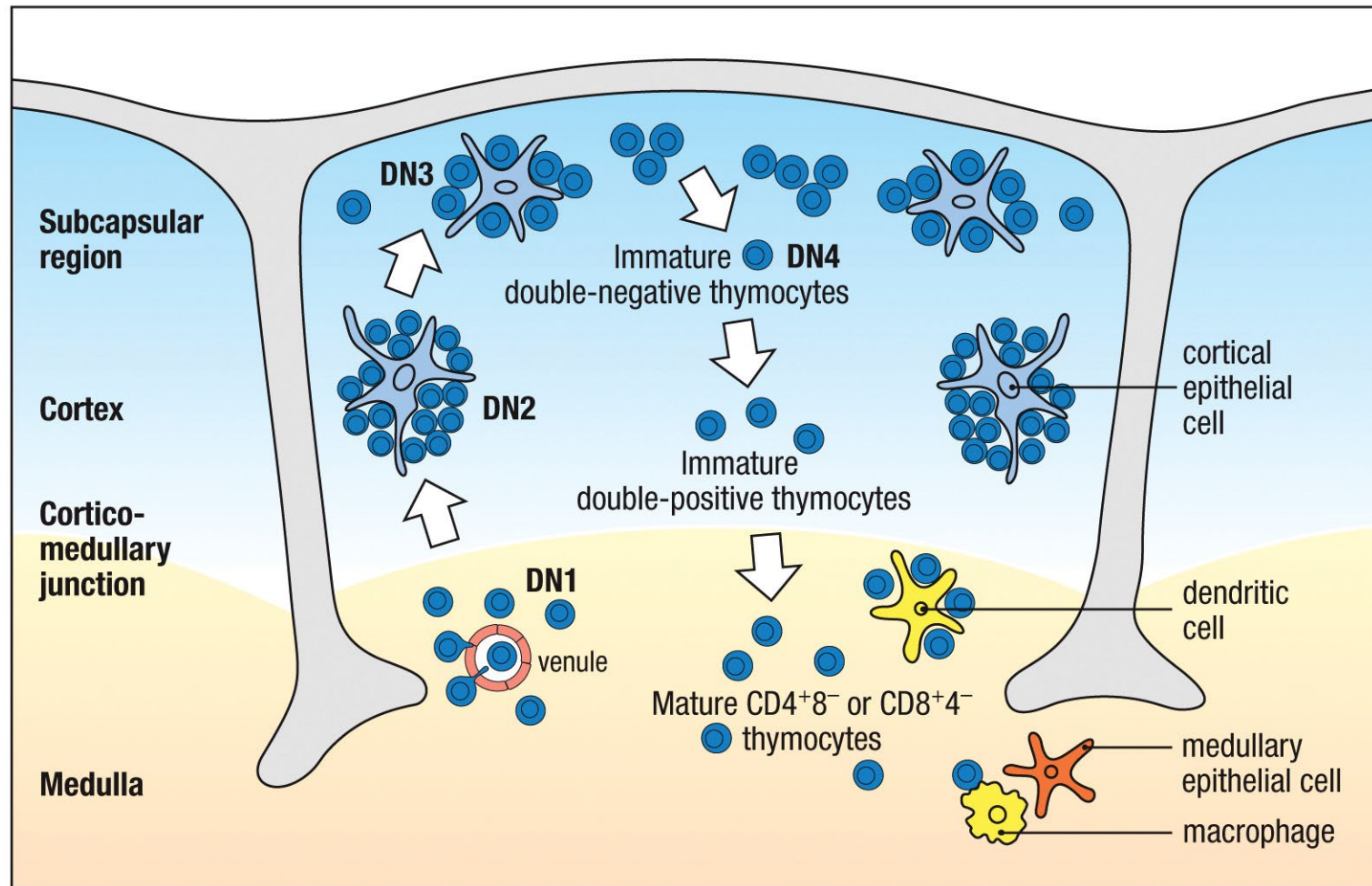
Generation of $\gamma:\delta$ T Cells



Gene Rearrangement During T-Cell Development



Thymocytes at Different Developmental Stages Are Found in Distinct Parts of the Thymus



Checkpoints During T-Cell Development

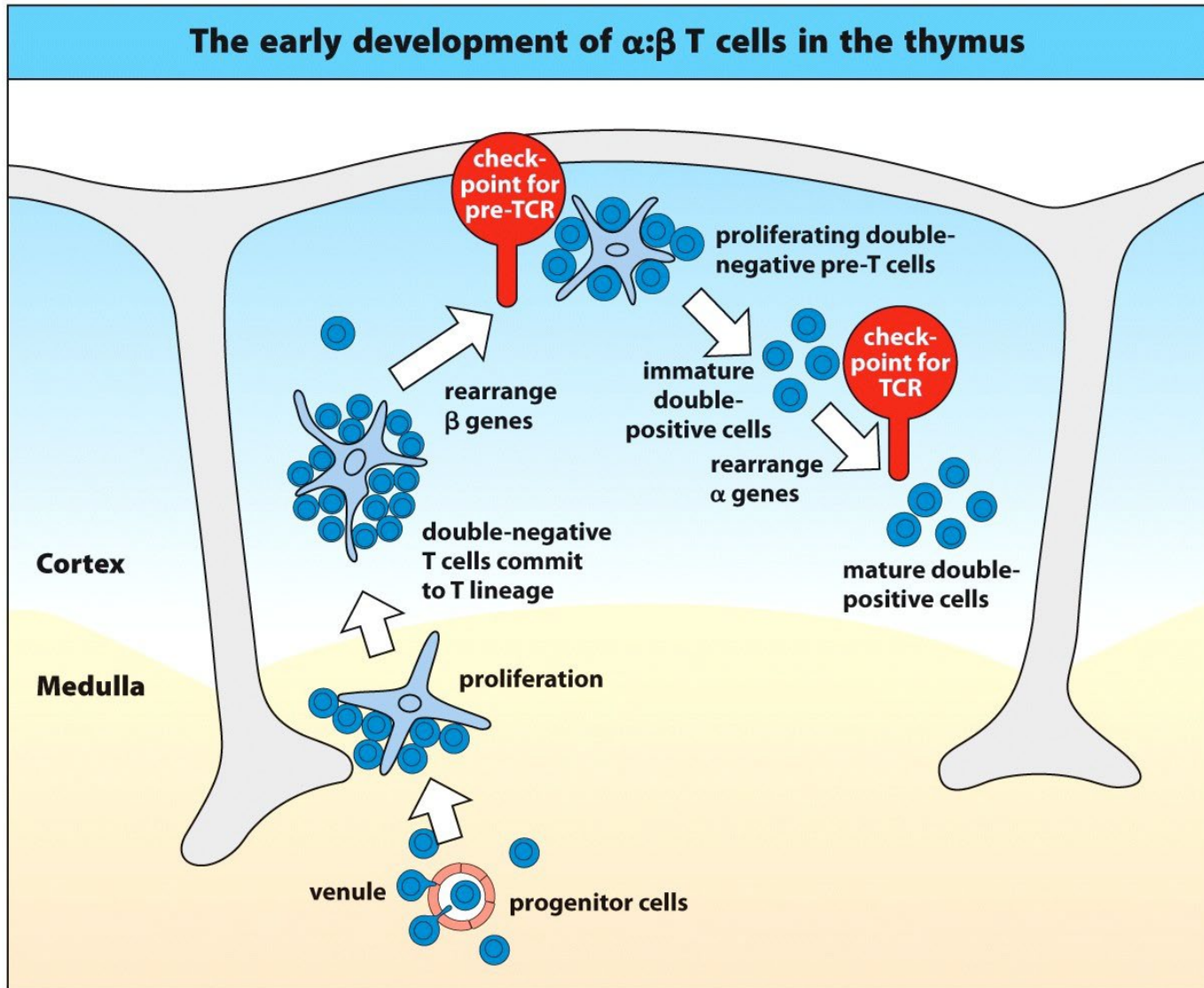


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Pre-TCR and TCR Signaling Complexes

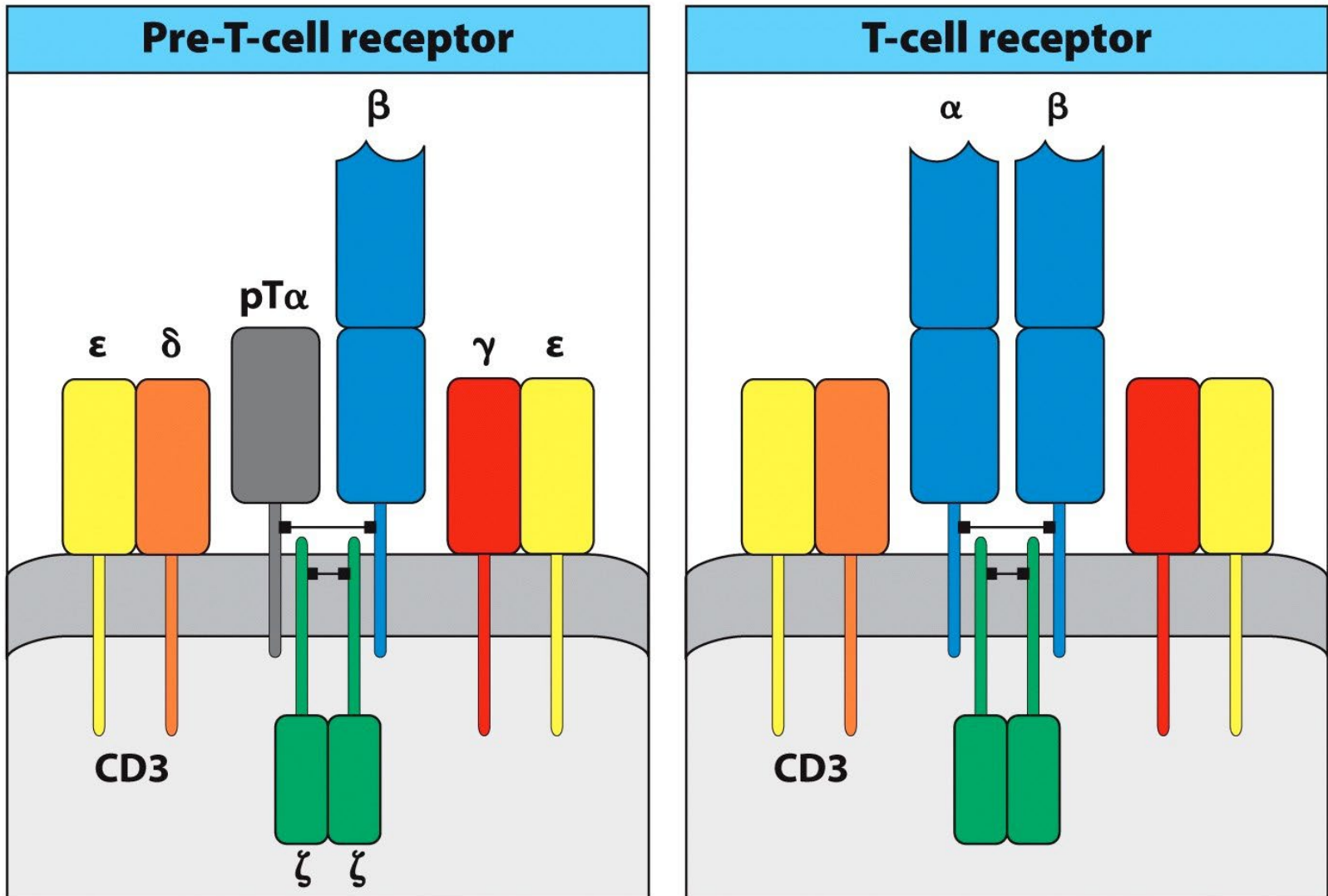
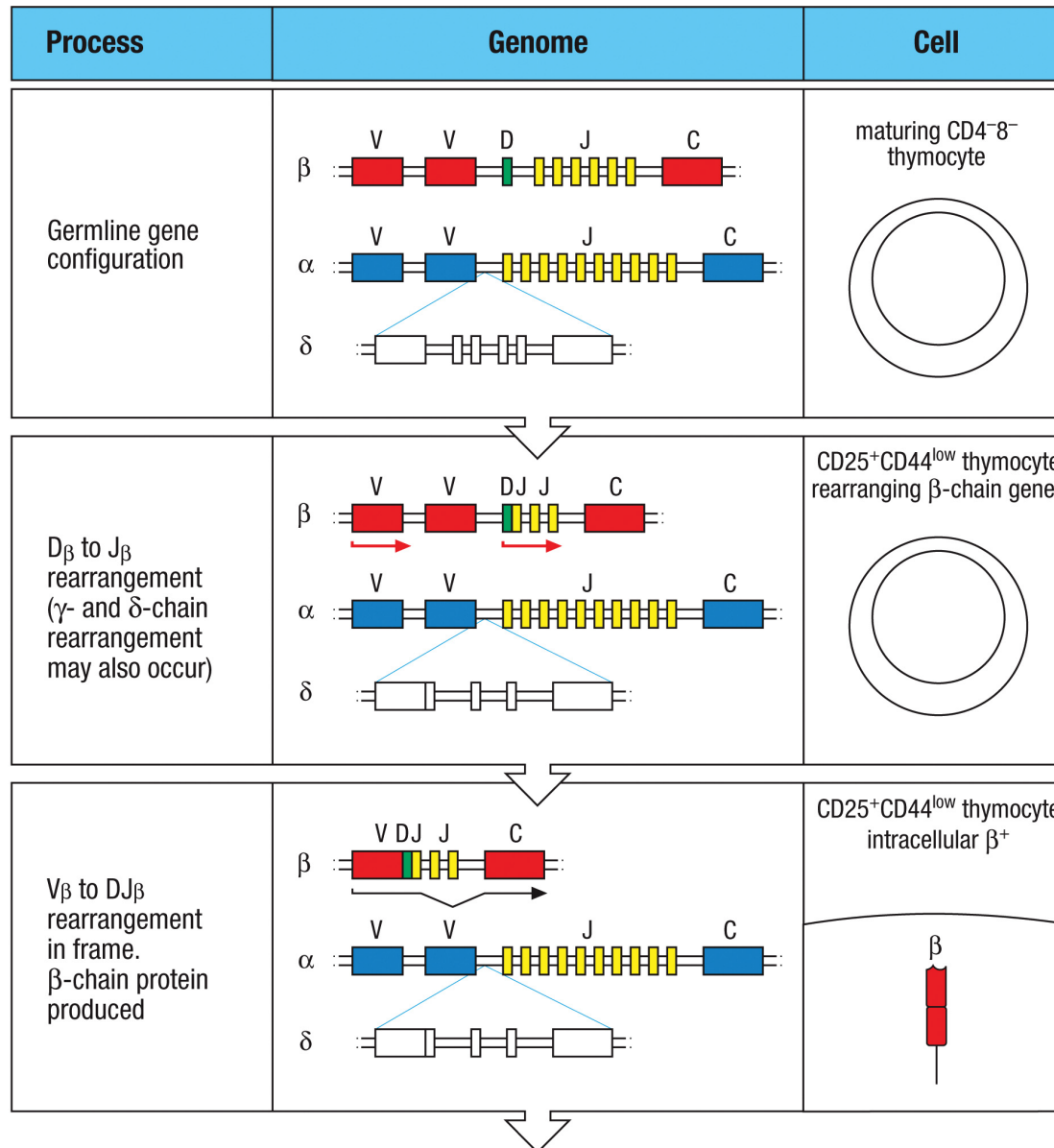


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Stages of Gene Rearrangement in $\alpha:\beta$ T-Cells

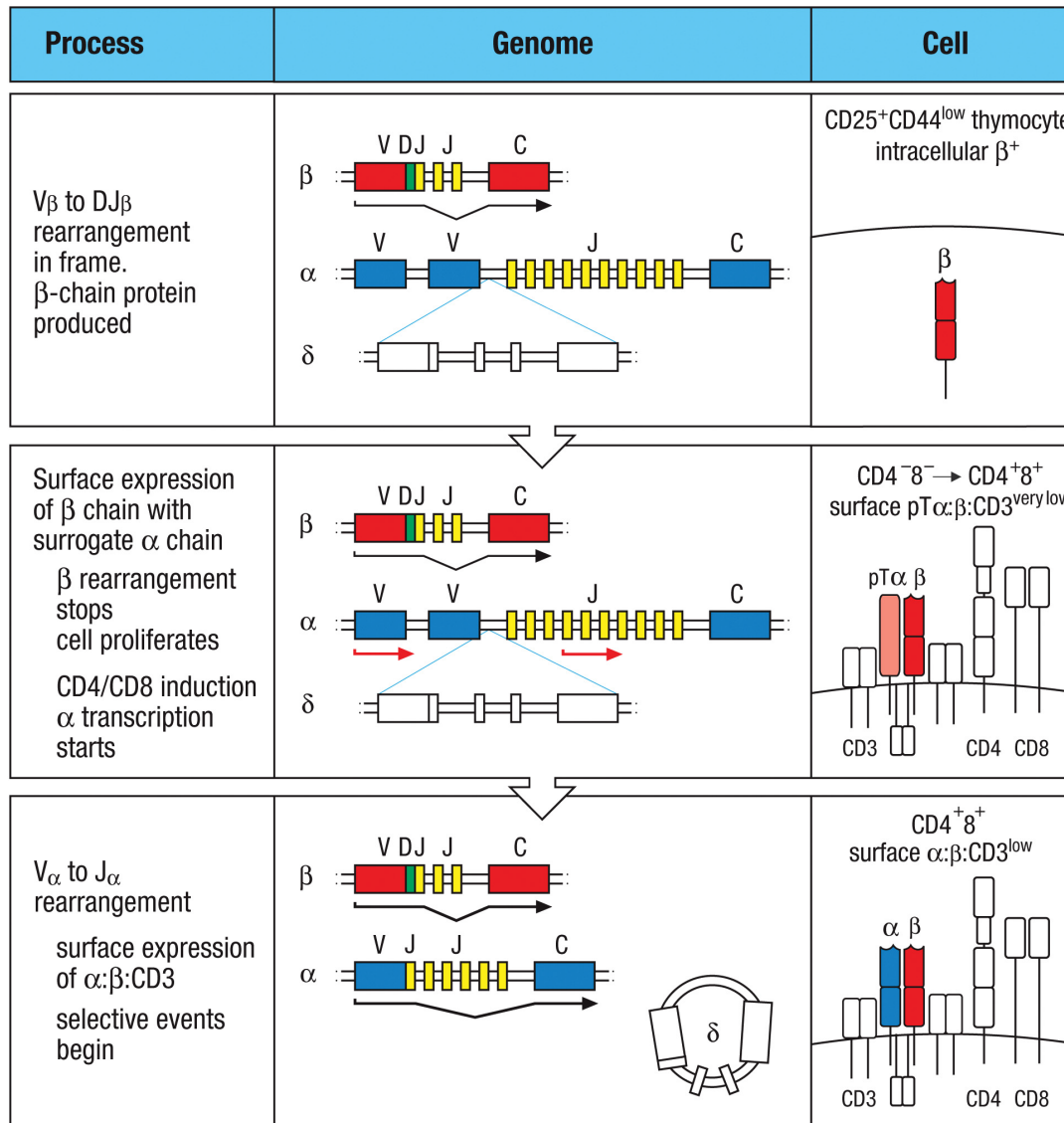


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Stages of Gene Rearrangement in $\alpha:\beta$ T-Cells

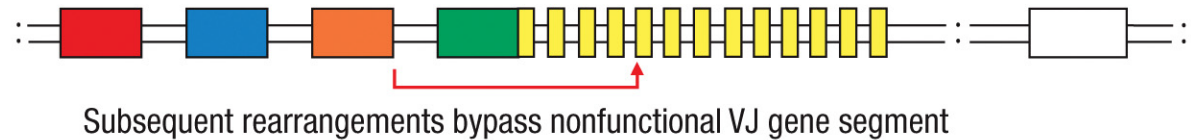
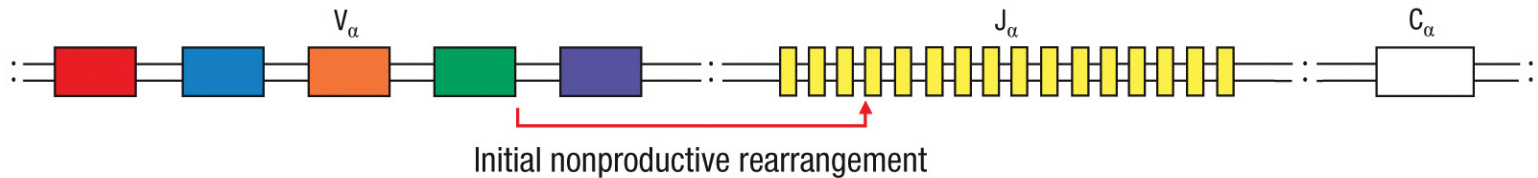


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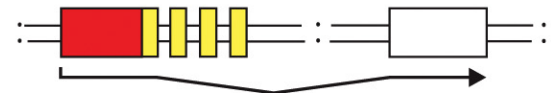
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TCR α -Chain Rearrangement Continues Until Positive Selection

Repeated rearrangements can rescue nonproductive $V_\alpha J_\alpha$ joins



Multiple rounds of rearrangement may occur to generate a functional α chain



Allelic Exclusion

- Successful beta rearrangement at one chromosome will stop the rearrangement at the other.
 - Beta chain and surrogate alpha chain
 - Degradation of RAG
 - Ensure that only one receptor is expressed on each cell.

Checkpoints During T-Cell Development

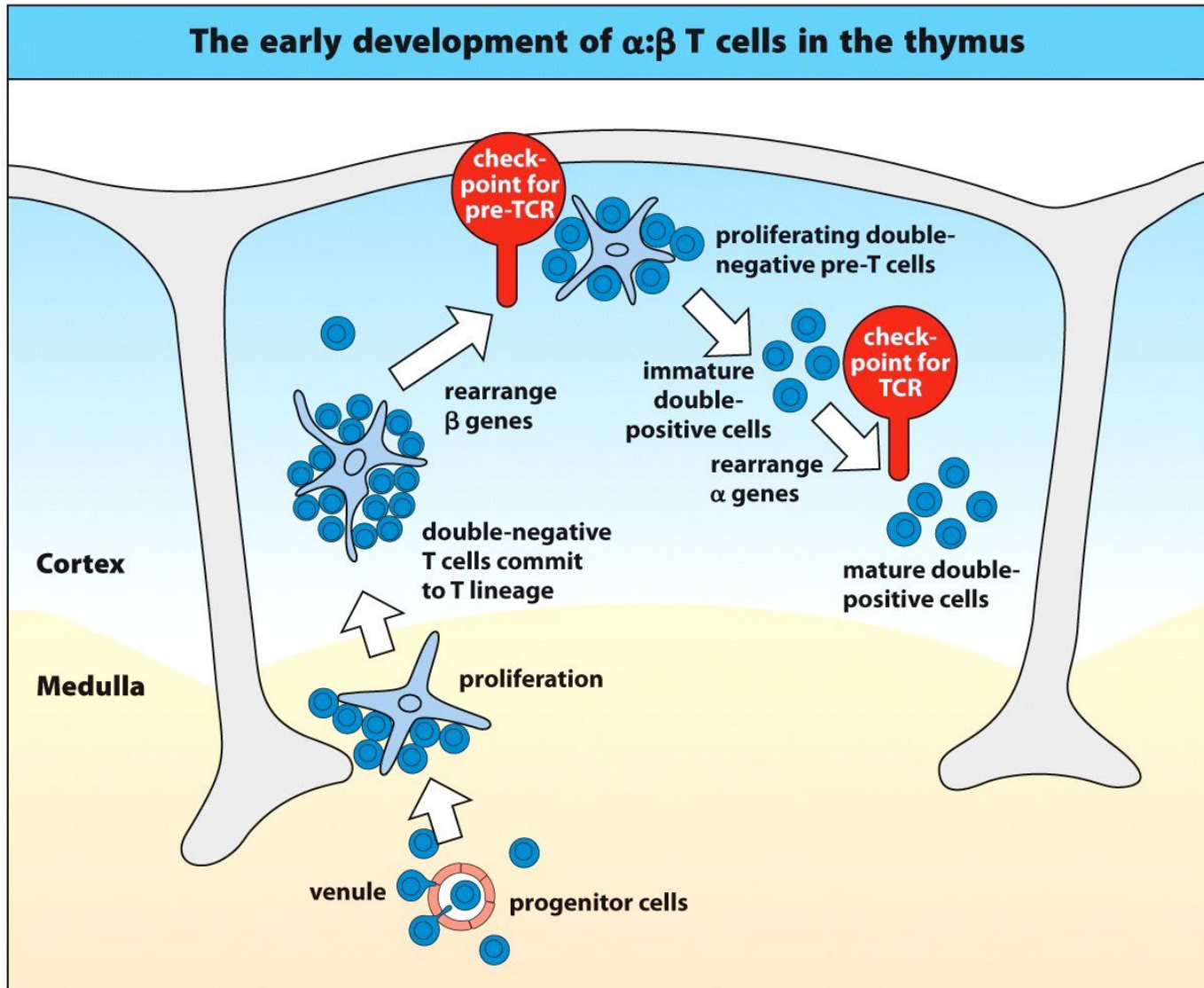
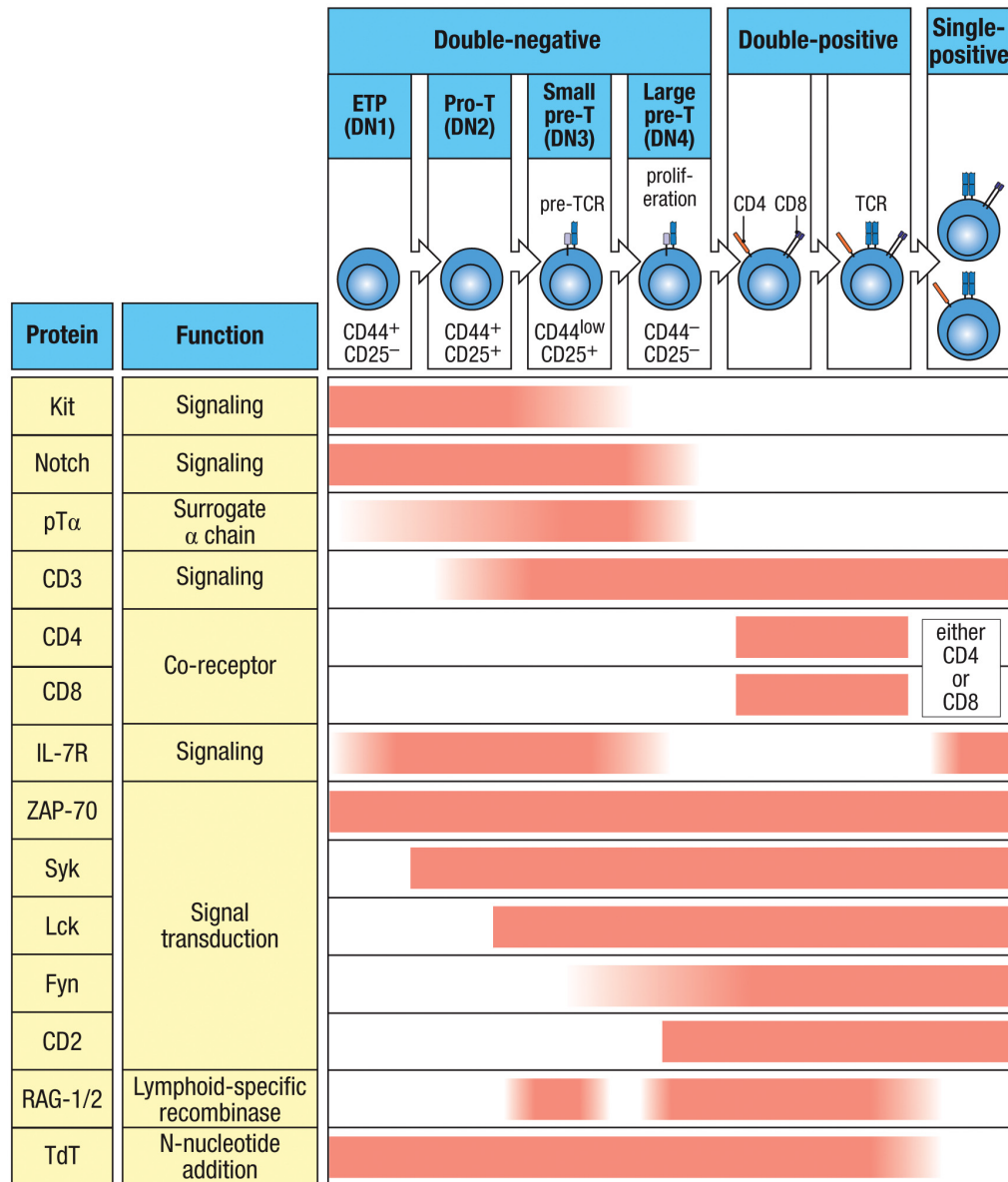


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Summary of T-Cell Development



Question

- What is the consequence if the patient is defect in $pT\alpha$?
- A) Expression of two TCRs on each T cells
- B) Reduced T cell numbers
- C) Auto-immune
- D) All of the above

Question

- What are the two checkpoints in T cell development?
- How does an individual T cell avoid expressing two different TCRs?

Case Studies

- DiGeorge Syndrome
- Omenn syndrome

DiGeorge Syndrome

- Patient:

New born with dysmorphic face feature,
heart defect, seizures and hypocalcemia
Severe T-cell lymphopenia

- Treatment:

Thymic transplant-improved T cell count

DiGeorge Syndrome

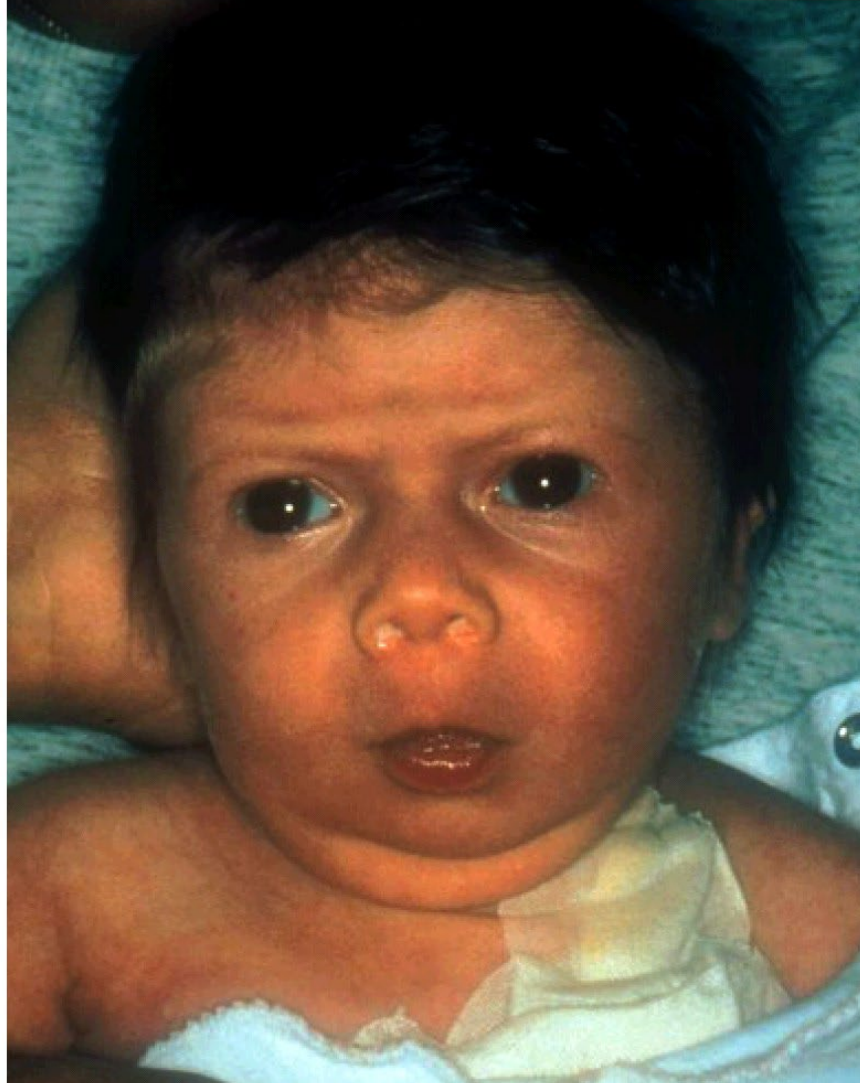


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Defect in TBX1

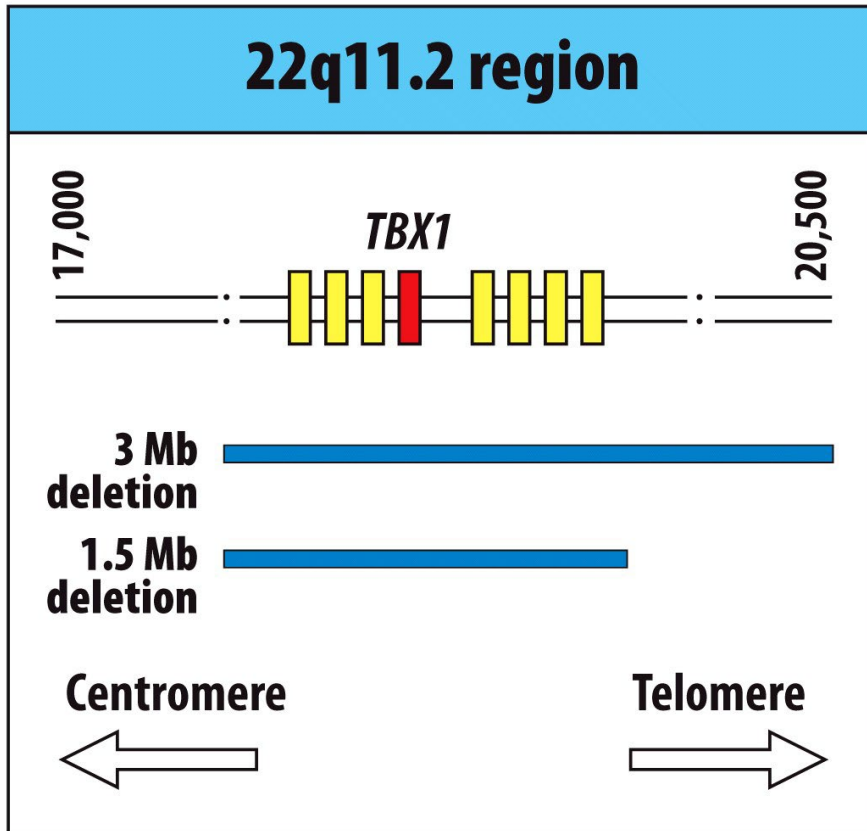


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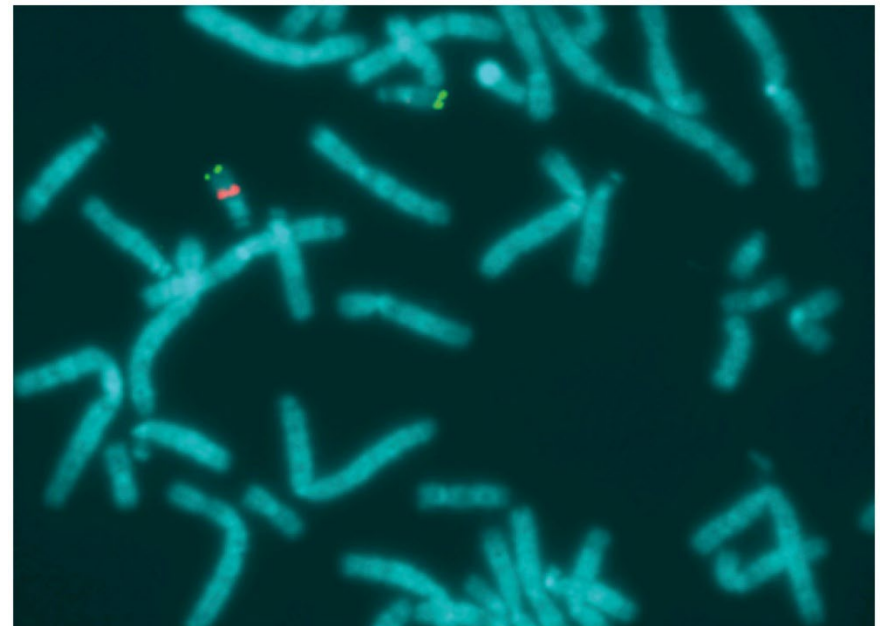


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What's wrong with the patient?

- Defect in TBX1 gene, a transcription factor responsible for parathyroid gland, heart and thymus development.
- Impaired T cell development
 - immune deficiency
- Autoimmune Disease (platelets deficiency)
 - improper negative selection

Questions?

- Would Bone Marrow transplantation correct the immune deficiency with DiGeorge Syndrome—defect thymus development?
- A) Yes
- B) No

Omenn syndrome

- Patient:

17 days after birth, rash

low serum lymphocytes, high eosinophils

no enlarged peripheral lymphatic organs

Condition worse with multiple infections
and enlarged lymph nodes

Undetectable B cells and oligoclonal T
cells

Died of respiratory failure

What's wrong with the patient?

- RAG2 deficient.
 - Point mutation that reduced function
- Very few clonal T cells
 - Rapidly expand
 - Escape negative selection
 - Immune deficiency and auto-immune
 - A heightened Th2 response
- Can be treated with bone marrow transplantation.