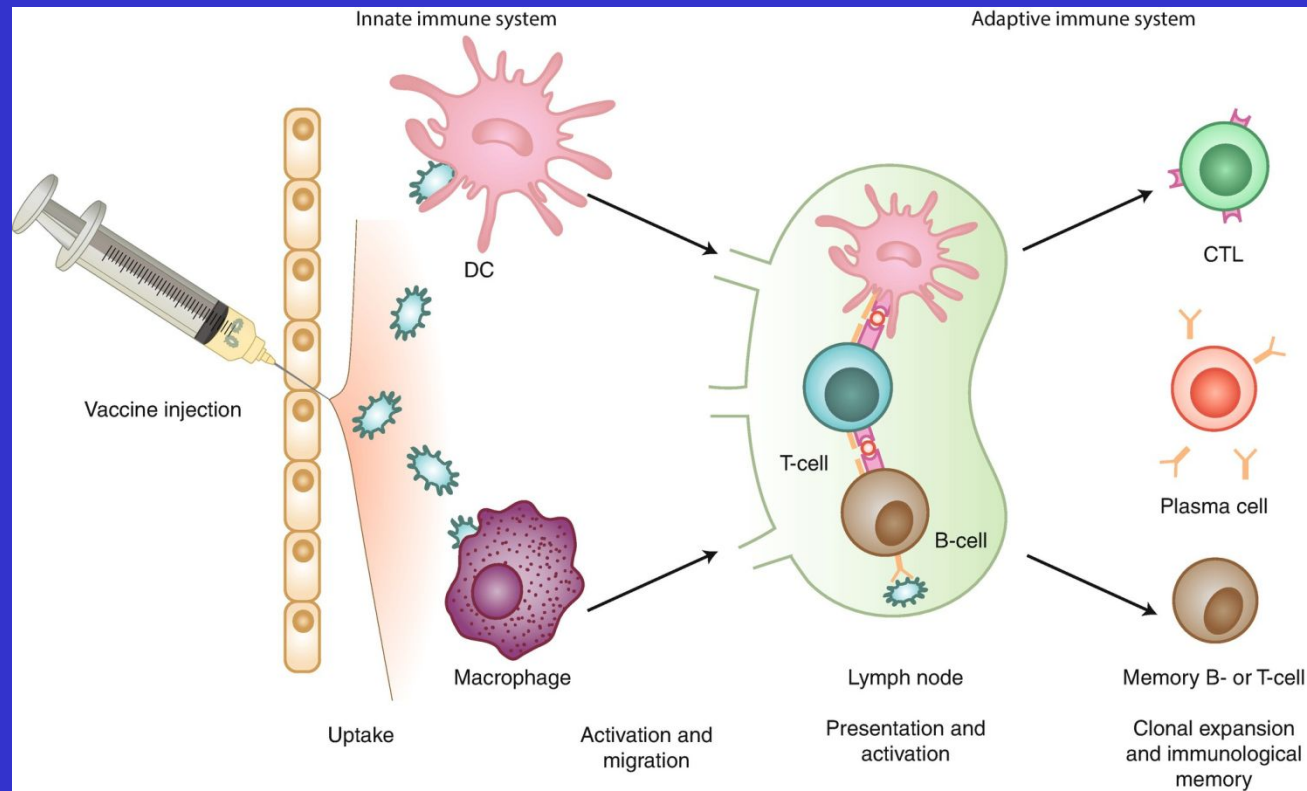
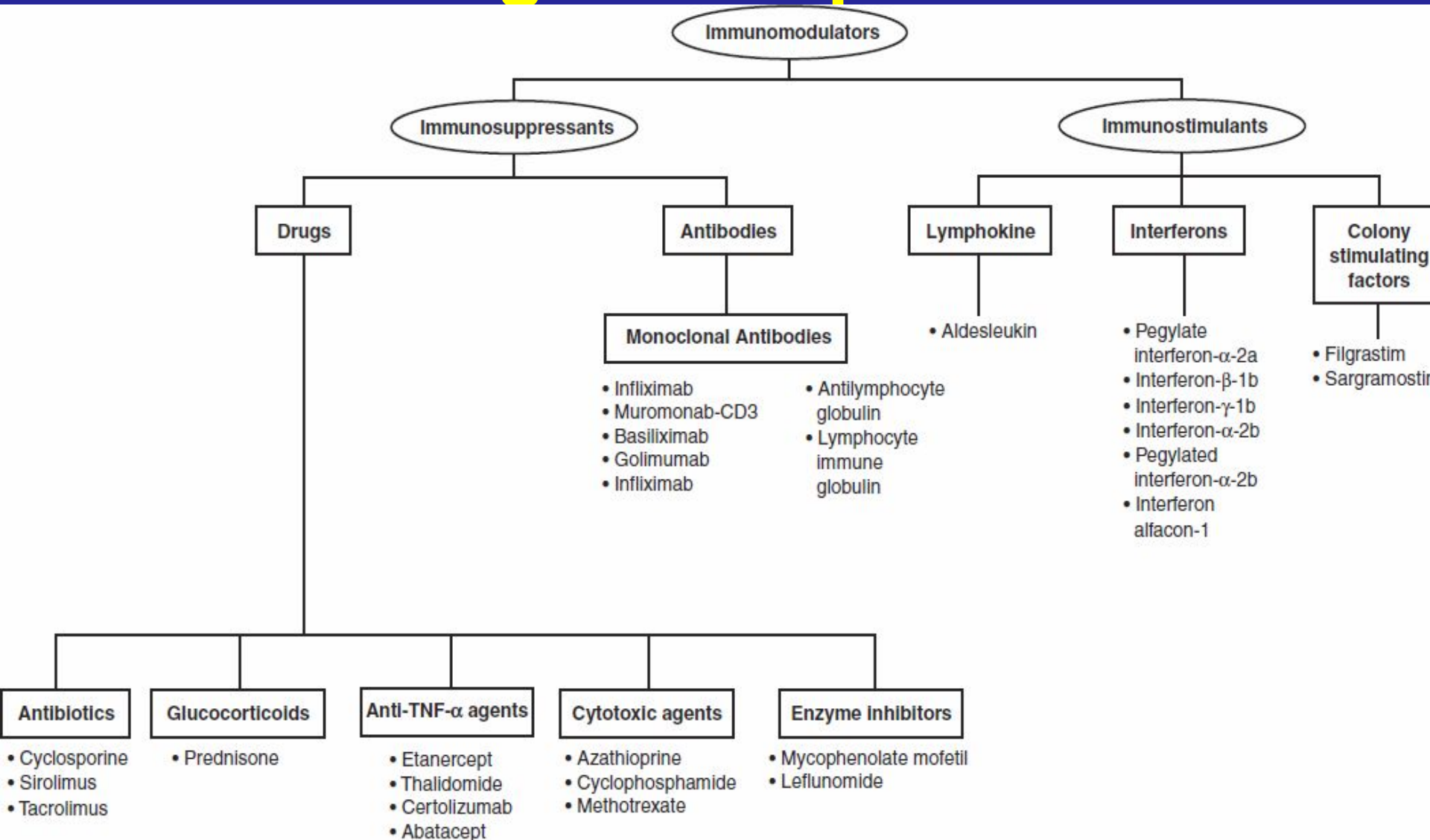


Lecture 8

Immunological preparations in Immunotherapy & Immunoprophylaxis



Immunological preparations: antigen-independent



Immunological preparations: antigen dependent

-Vaccines (antigens)

-Immune sera or Immunoglobulins

Adaptive immunity

Naturally acquired

Active

Antigens enter the body naturally; body induces antibodies and specialized lymphocytes

Passive

Antibodies pass from mother to fetus via placenta or to infant via the mother's milk

Artificially acquired

Active

Antigens are introduced in vaccines; body produces antibodies and specialized lymphocytes

Passive

Preformed antibodies in immune serum are introduced by injection

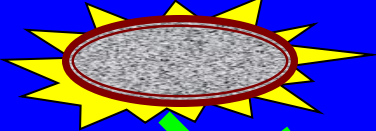

Immunization is the method of controlling infections

Immune responses to immunization or immuno-therapy can **block the spread** of a bacterium, bacterial toxin, or virus **to the target organ**.

The immunization of population **stops the spread** of the infectious agent **among a community** by **reducing the number of susceptible to this infection individuals**. Such immunization develops **herd immunity** (national and international levels).

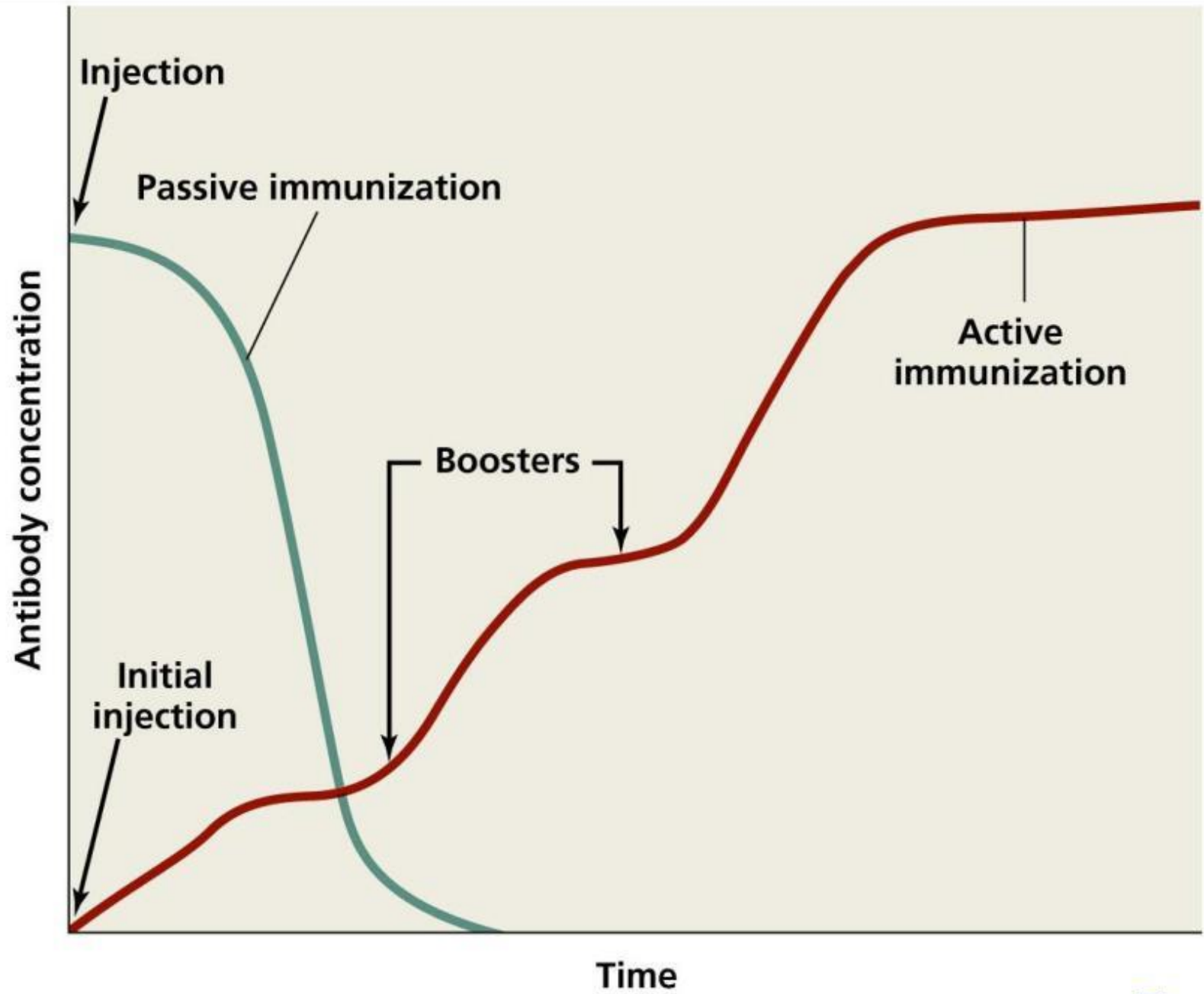
Immunization has succeeded in **protecting of popu-lation** from the **symptoms** of *pertussis*, *diphtheria*, *tetanus*; in controlling the **spread** of *measles*, *mumps*, *rubella*, and in **eliminating** *smallpox* in the whole world and *poliomyelitis* in

Types of immunization

| Type | Method | Goal |
|---------|---|--|
| Active | Challenge with an antigen (immunogen)  | Immune response and immunological memory |
| Passive | Administration of exogenously produced antibodies  | Rapid temporary treatment or prevention of infectious diseases |

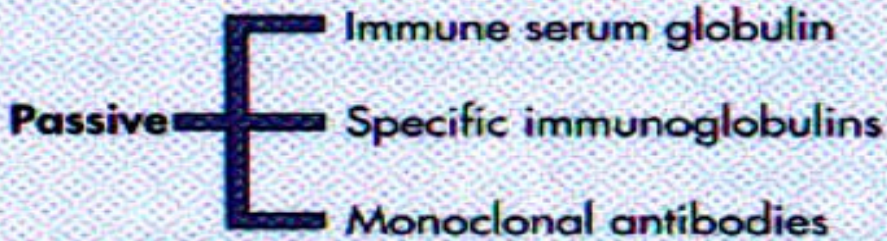
Combined: active + passive

Passive vs. Active Immunization

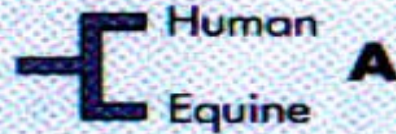


Active and Passive immunization

Antibodies

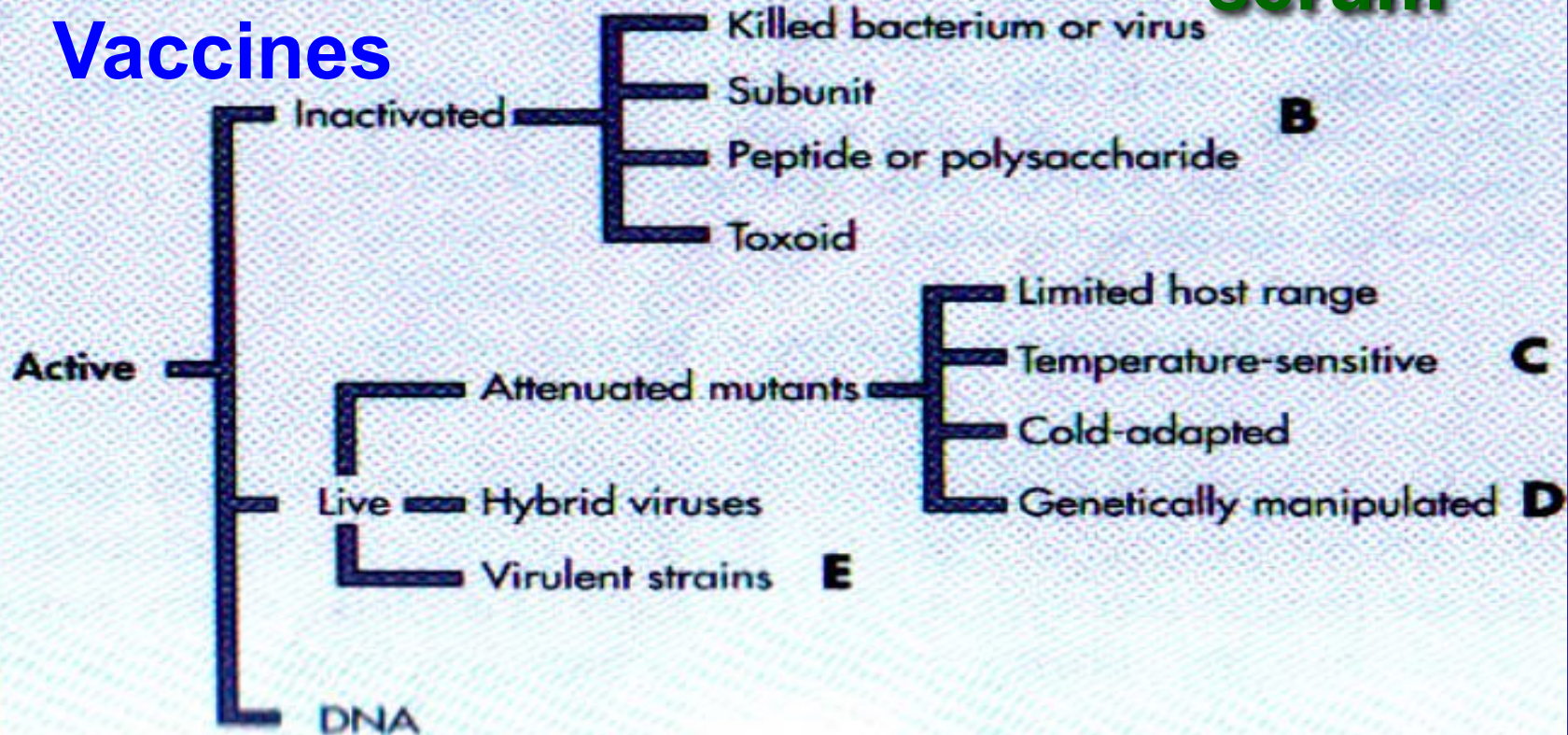


Homologous serum



Heterologous serum

Vaccines



Artificial passive immunization (API)

API may be used:

- 1) To prevent disease **after a known exposure** (needle stick injury with **HBV**-contaminated blood);
- (2) To protect **immunosuppressed patients**;
- (3) To **ameliorate the symptoms** of an ongoing disease (**chicken pox** or **measles**);
- (4) To **block the action of bacterial toxins** and pre-vent the disease they cause (**tetanus**, **diphtheria**).

Sources of antibodies:

- Seropositive individuals – donors (homologous);
- Animals, hyperimmunised with antigens (heterologous).

Heterologous (animal) serum: **Complications**

-Hypersensitivity reactions (type I or type III)

To prevent these reactions the serum can be given:

(1) by portions with 10-15 minutes intervals


(2) i/m (not i/v) to prevent platelets aggregation and complement activation.




Passive immunization: The preparations

| Preparation | Manufacture | Source | Prophylaxis of disease |
|-----------------------|--|---|--|
| Immune serum globulin | <u>Antitoxins</u> -hyperimmunization with <i>toxoids</i> | (1) Equine, human (2) Equine (3) Equine | (1) <i>Tetanus</i> (Tlg), (HTIG) (2) <i>Botulism</i> (3) <i>Diphtheria</i> |
| | High titer Immunoglobulin for <u>viruses</u> (pooled plasma from seropositive) | (1) Human (2) Human (3) Equine, human | (1) <i>Hepatitis B</i> (HBIG) (2) <i>Varicella zoster</i> (VZIG) (3) <i>Rabies</i> (RIg), (HRIG) |

Passive immunization: **The preparations (1)**

| Preparation | Manufacture | <i>Prophylaxis of disease / Patients</i> |
|---|---|--|
| <p data-bbox="48 378 421 835">Human serum gamma-globulin</p>  | <p data-bbox="483 385 994 1292">Pooled plasma: normal repertoire of antibodies in an adult; <i>without hyperimmunization</i></p> | <ul data-bbox="1023 371 1835 1228" style="list-style-type: none">• Common infections Immunocompromised• Chicken pox or Measles Premature infants, Children with malnutrition• Hepatitis A Post exposure prophylaxis |

Passive immunization: The preparations (3)

| Preparation | Manufacture | Disease |
|---|--|---|
| Monoclonal antibodies (MCABs) | Hybridoma | Cancer Viral Bacterial Hypersensitivity |
| Immuno-toxins (ITs)  | MCAB to tumor-specific antigen (TAg) is conjugated with a toxin (diphtherial) | Tumor: (1) The IT binds with the TAg on the malignant cell. (2) The IT is uptaken by the cell and then released into cytoplasm. (3) Free toxin blocks protein synthesis and causes the cell death. |

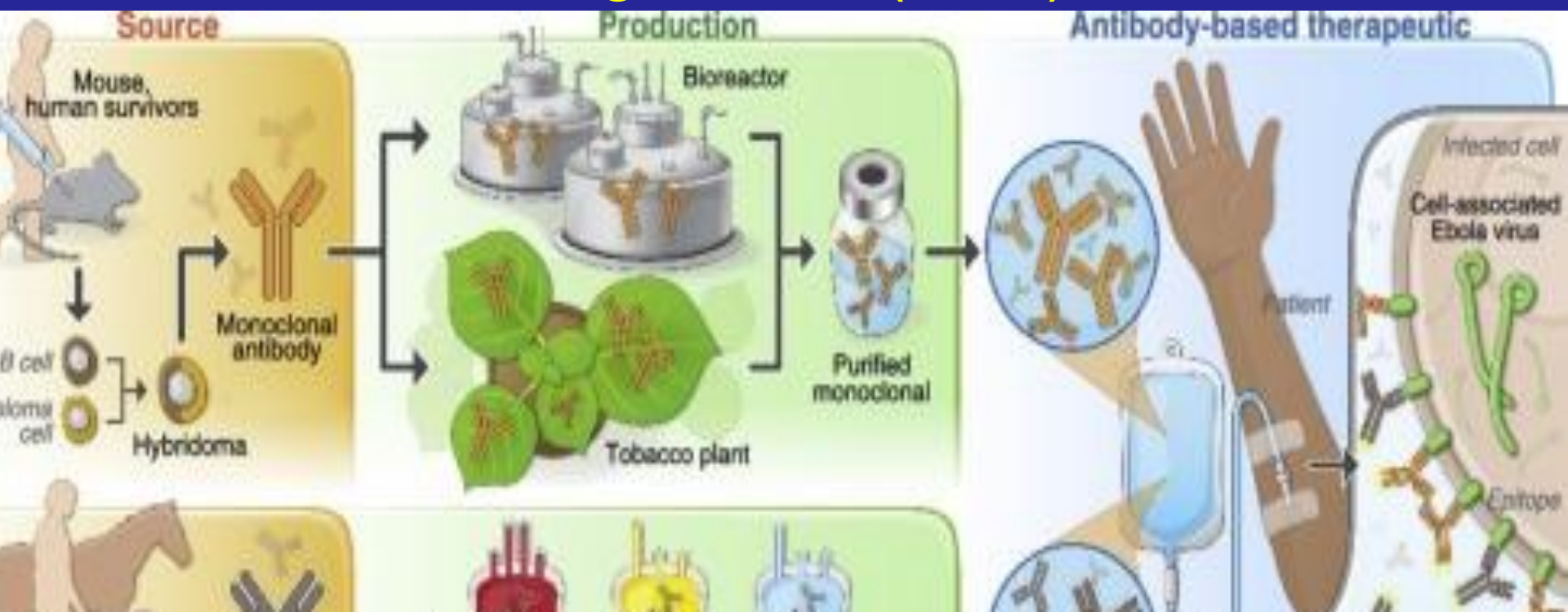


Evolution of Immunoglobulin therapy

Prior to 2014, only convalescent blood products from EHF survivors had been administered to newly infected individuals as a form of treatment.

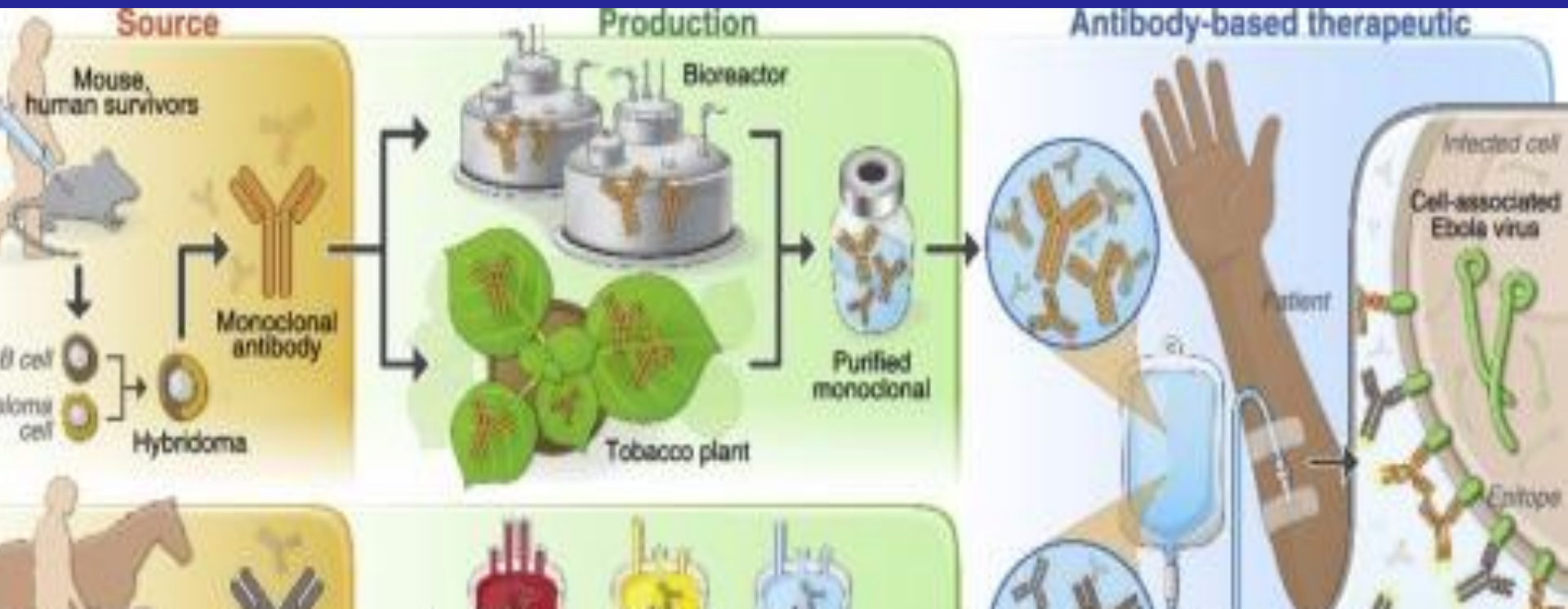
Evolution of Immunoglobulin therapy

The 2014-2016 Ebola virus outbreak in West Africa was the deadliest in history, prompting the evaluation of various drug candidates, including McAb-based therapeutics for the treatment of Ebola hemorrhagic fever (EHF).



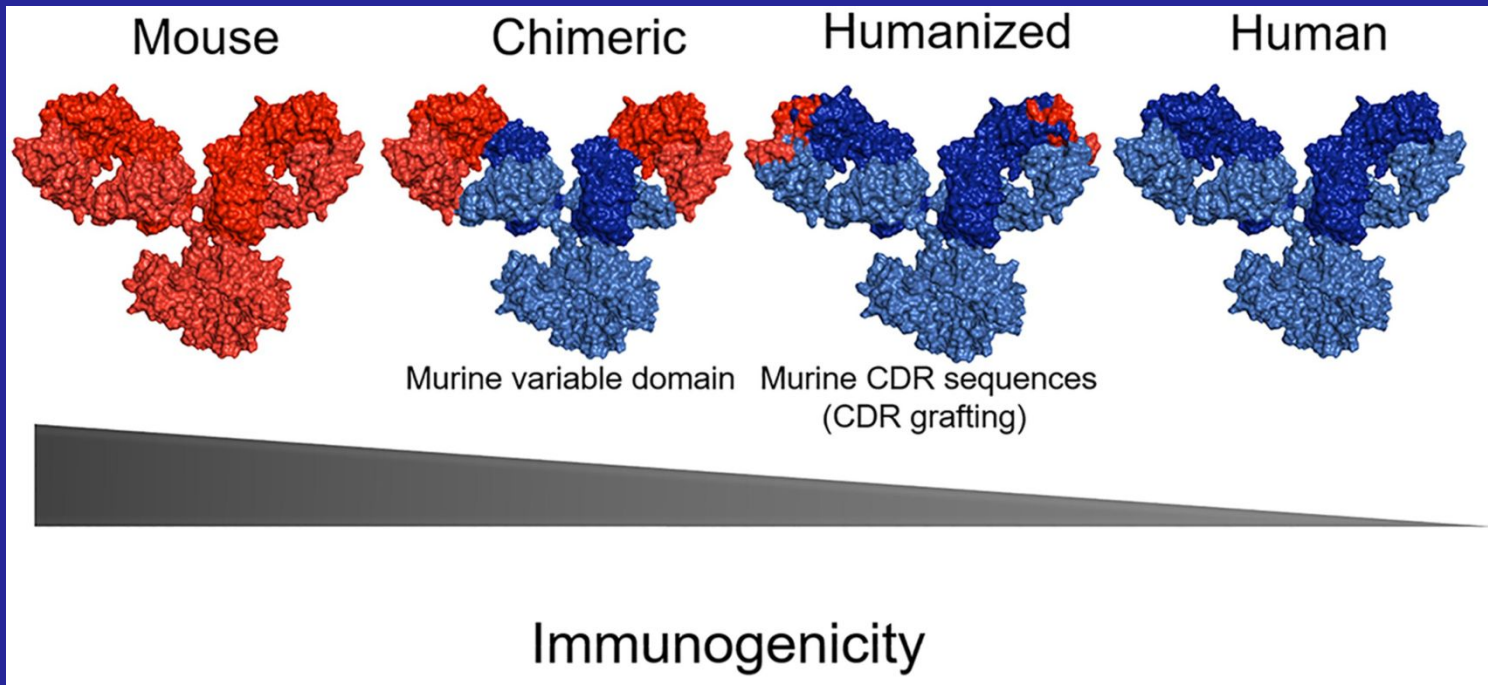
Evolution of Immunoglobulin therapy

the genes encoding for the antibodies were extracted from the hybridomas, genetically engineered to replace mouse components with human components, and transfected into tobacco plants.

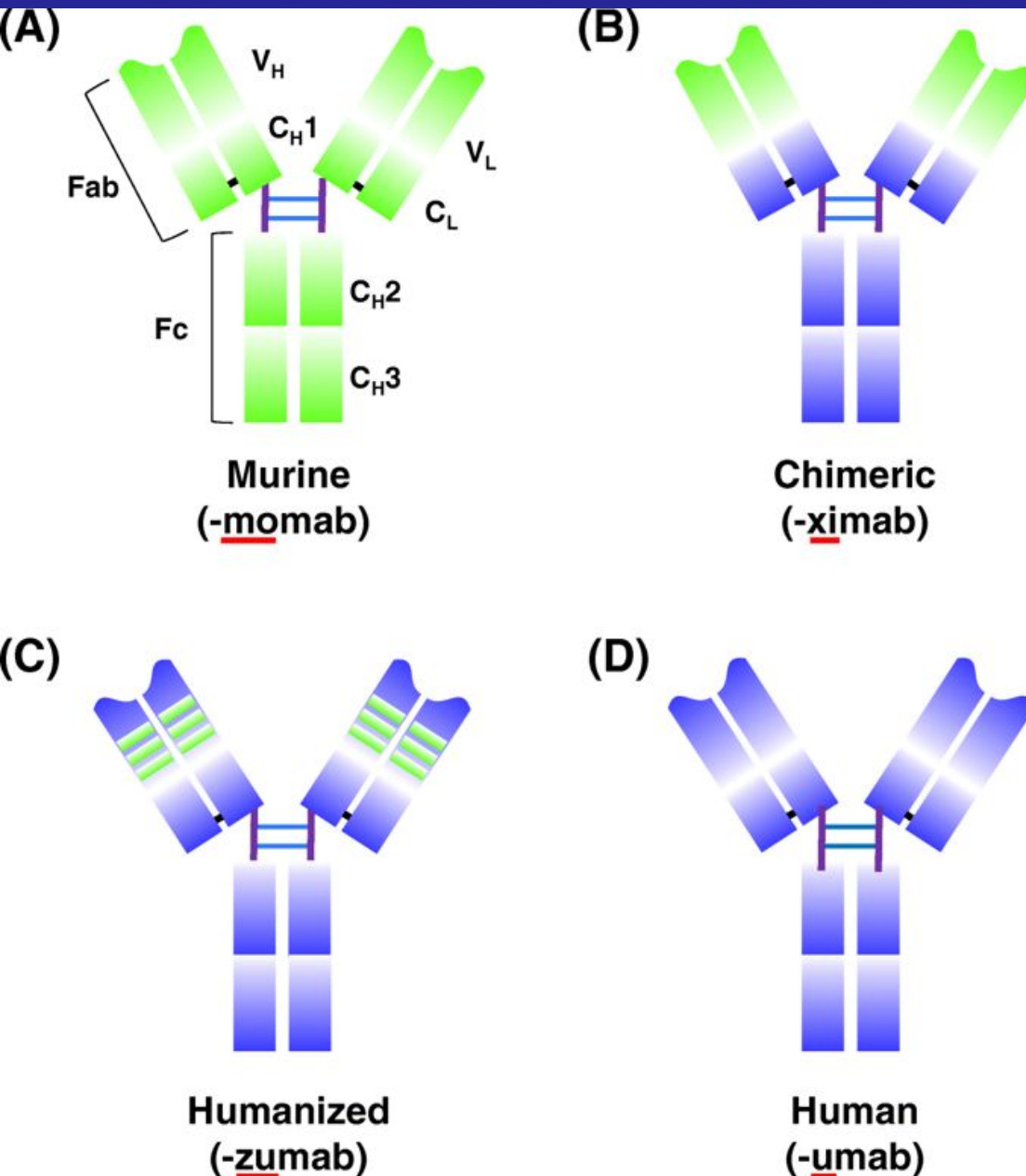


Schematic overview of antibody humanization

- **a** The murine McAb
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- **c** Humanized McAb : only includes the hypervariable segments of murine origin.
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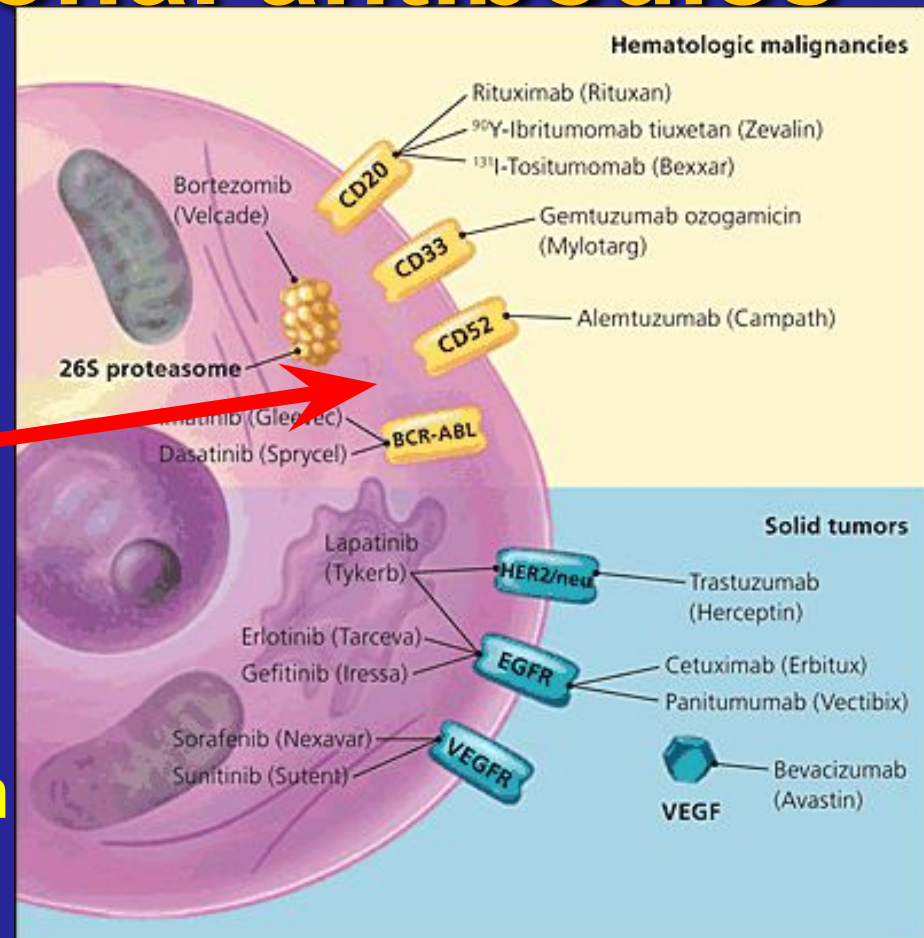
Types of monoclonal antibodies

Naked mAbs are antibodies are the most common type of mAbs used to treat cancer.

Examples:

- **Alemtuzumab** - chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL). They binds to the CD52 antigen, which is found on *lymphocytes* (which include the leukemia cells).

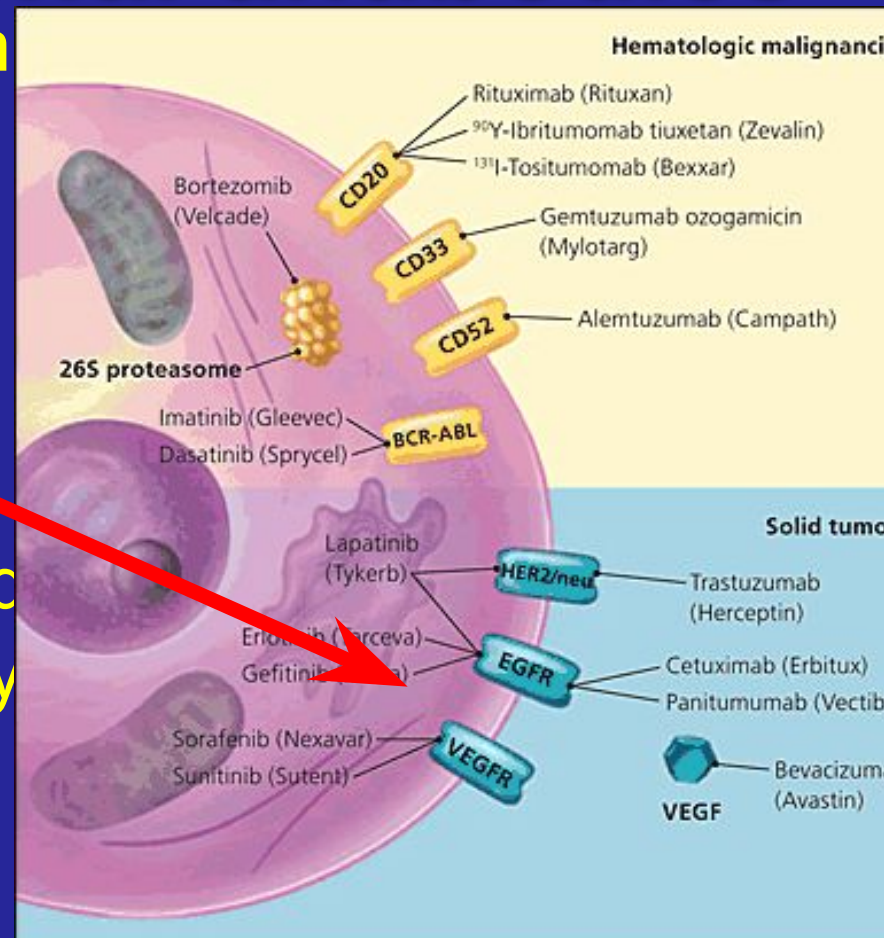
The antibody cause a first-dose cytokine release syndrome ($\text{TNF-}\alpha$, IL-6 and interferon- γ) and ADCC



Types of monoclonal antibodies

Bevacizumab (Avastin[®]) is an mAb that targets a protein called **Vascular EGF** that affects tumor blood vessel growth. It can cause side effects such as high blood pressure, bleeding, poor wound healing, blood clots, and kidney damage.

Cetuximab targets a cell protein *EpidermalGFR*, which is found on normal skin cells (as well as some types of cancer cells and cause serious rashes.



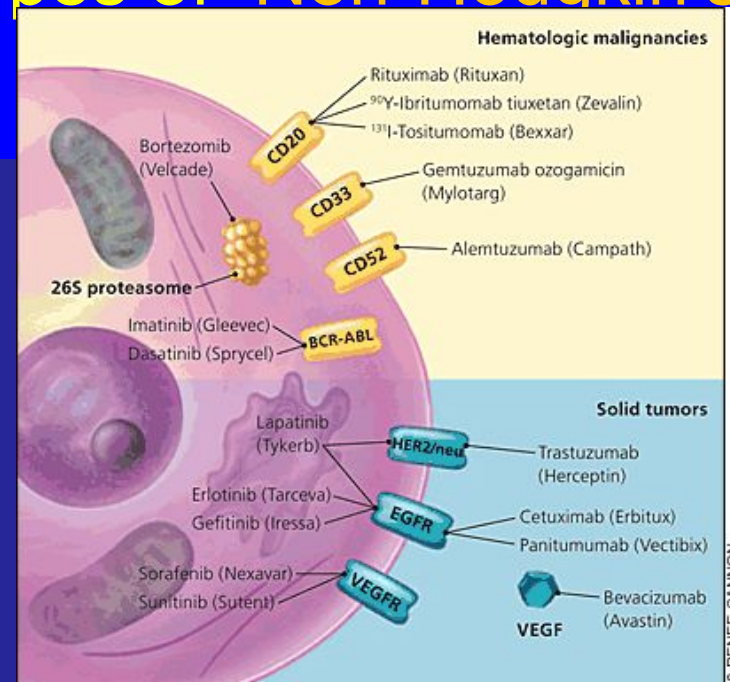
Monoclonal antibodies in cancer therapy

| Name of drug | Type of cancer used to treat |
|-------------------------|--|
| Alemtuzumab (Campath) | Chronic lymphocytic leukemia. |
| Bevacizumab (Avastin) | Breast cancer. Colon cancer. Lung cancer. |
| Cetuximab (Erbix) | Colon cancer. Head and neck cancers. |
| Gemtuzumab (Mylotarg) | Acute myelogenous leukemia. |
| Ibritumomab (Zevalin) | Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. Chronic lymphocytic leukemia. |
| Panitumumab (Vectibix) | Colon cancer. |
| Rituximab (Rituxan) | Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. |
| Tositumomab (Bexxar) | Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma |
| Trastuzumab (Herceptin) | Breast cancer |

Conjugated Mabs (Immunotoxins)

Mabs that have been attached to a specific toxic agent.

Ibritumomab tiuxetan (Zevalin[®]) is an example of a radiolabeled mAb. This is an antibody against the CD20 antigen, which is found on B lymphocytes. The antibody delivers radioactivity directly to cancerous B cells and can be used to treat some types of Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

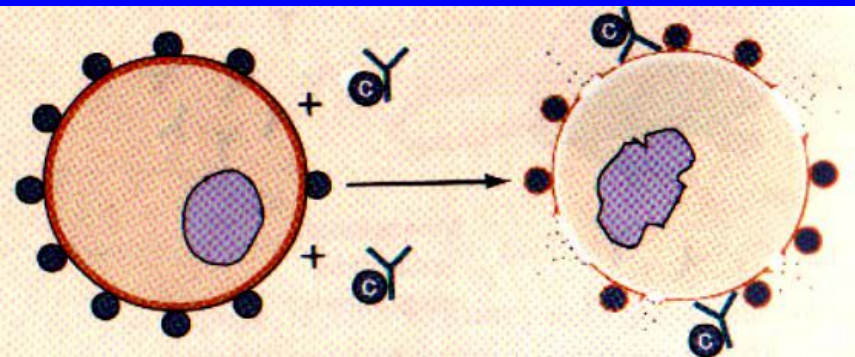
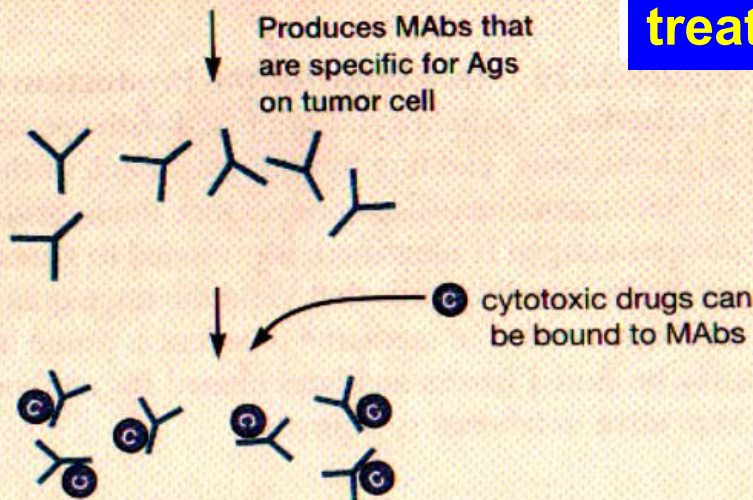
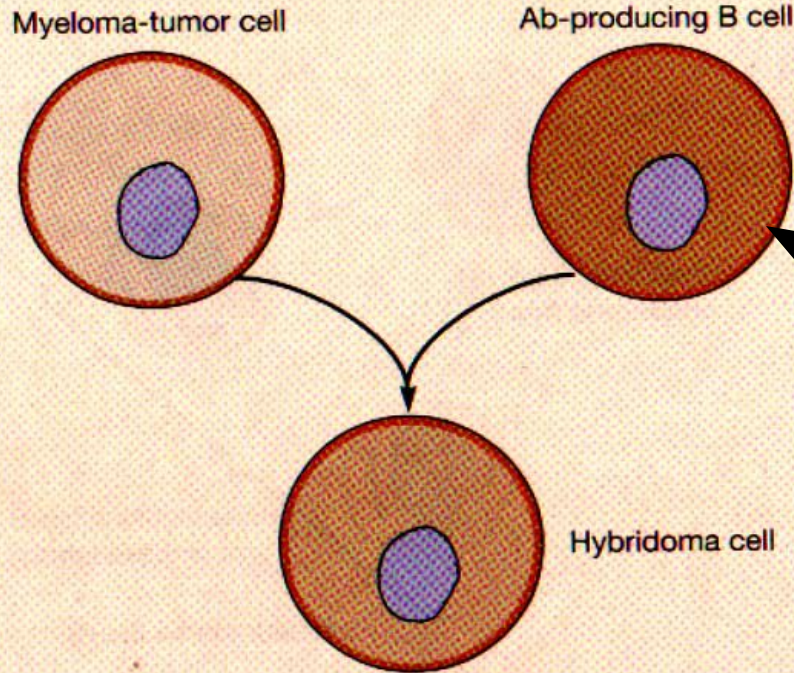


Immunotoxins

are monoclonal antibodies that have been attached to a specific toxic agent.

The antibody binds specifically to a target (tumor) cell and the attached toxin affects the target cell, but not other cells.

This is a promising approach in the treatment of certain types of cancer.



Immunotoxin can be used to selectively bring about destruction of tumor cells

The use of the Artificial Passive Immunization

| Goal | Examples | Preparations |
|--|---|---|
| (1) To prevent disease after a known exposure (post exposure prophylaxis) | Hepatitis B (needle stick injury with HBV-contaminated blood) | Human immunoglobulin preparation for hepatitis B virus (HBIG) |
| | Hepatitis A | Human serum gamma-globulin |

The use of the Artificial Passive Immunization

| Goal | Examples | Preparations |
|--|--|---|
| (2) <i>To protect</i> Immunosuppressed patients | Common infections | Human serum gamma-globulin |
| (3) <i>To ameliorate the symptoms of an ongoing disease</i> | -Chicken pox -Measles | Human serum gamma-globulin (premature infants, children with malnutrition) |

The use of the Artificial Passive Immunization

| Goal | Examples | Preparations |
|---|--|---|
| <p>(4) <i>To block the action of bacterial toxins and prevent the disease they cause</i></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Tetanus-Diphtheria | <p>Immune serum</p> <p>globulin</p> <p>preparations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>Tetanus</i> antitoxin (equine),- <i>Diphtheria</i> antitoxin (equine) |

Active immunization

is the induction of an

- (1) **immune response** and
 - (2) **immunological memory**
- in response to a **challenge** with an **antigen (immunogen)**.



Immunization occurs after exposure to:

- (1) **microbes** or their antigens in vaccines to prevent the disease (**artificial active immunization**) or
- (2) an infectious agent (**natural active immunization**).

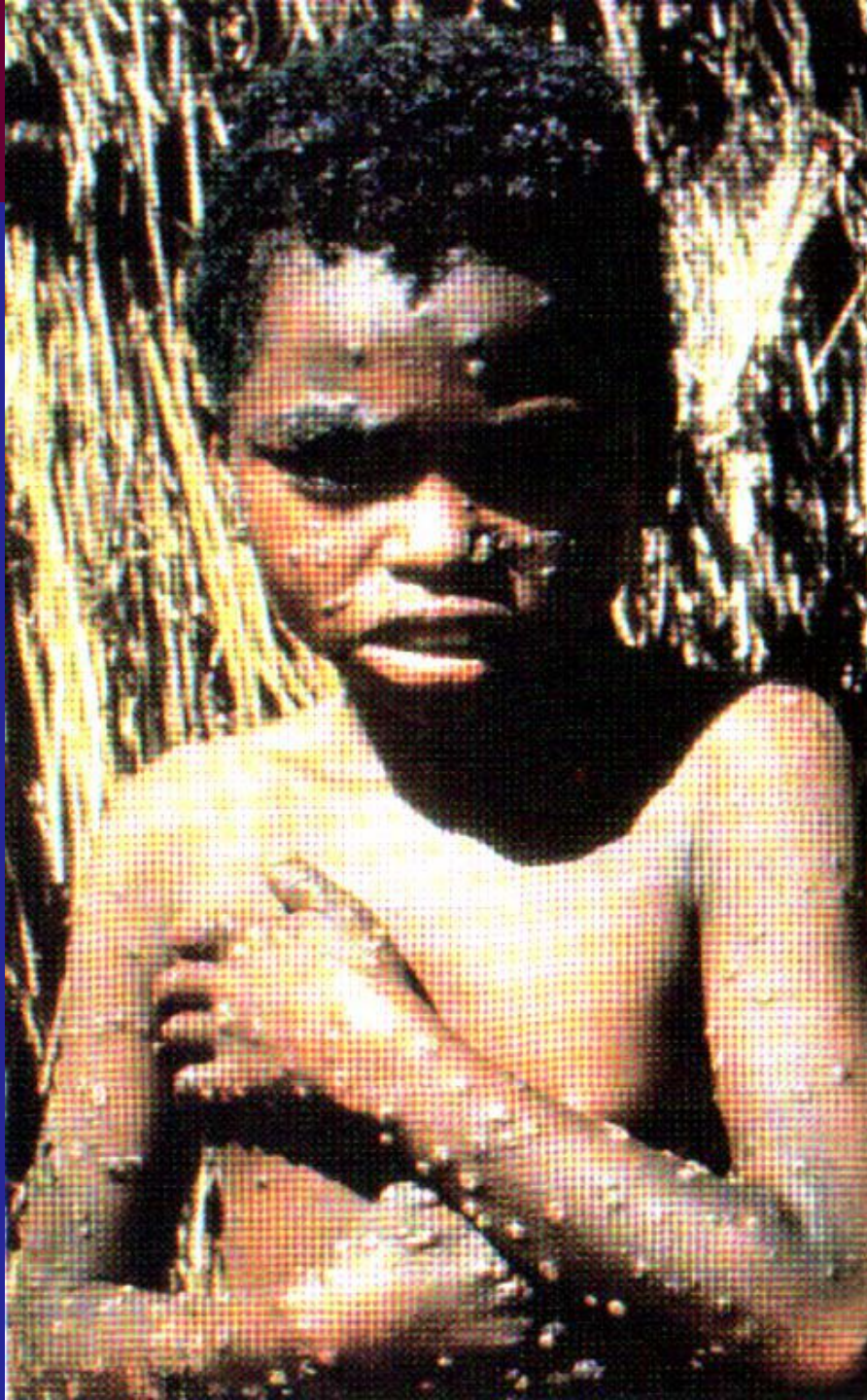
The term **'vaccine'** (*Latin 'vacca', cow*)

Caricature in a
British
magazine



This term comes from the **first successful immunization against smallpox** by cowpox pustule's material performed by **Edward Jenner** in 1798 .

Smallpox



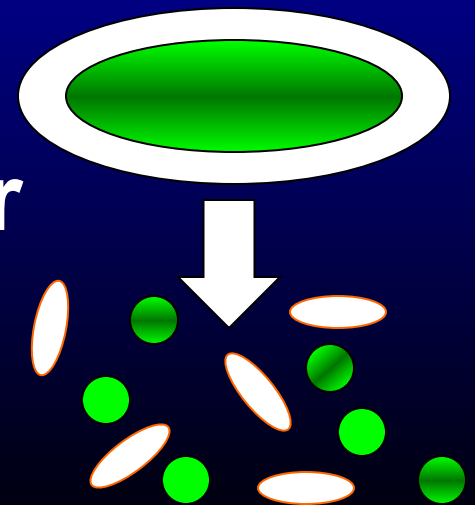
Vaccination is the artificial active immunization



Louis Pasteur introduced this term recognizing the relevance of Jenner's research work for his own experiments and for **vaccinology** as a field of knowledge.

An immunizing agent derived from microorganism is called **vaccine**

- A **vaccine** consists either of *whole organism* or *microbial extracts* and *products*.
- Broadly, **vaccines** can be **subdivided** into *two groups* on the base
 - (1) whether they *infect the person* (**live vaccines**) or
 - (2) whether they *do not* (**inactivated vaccines**).



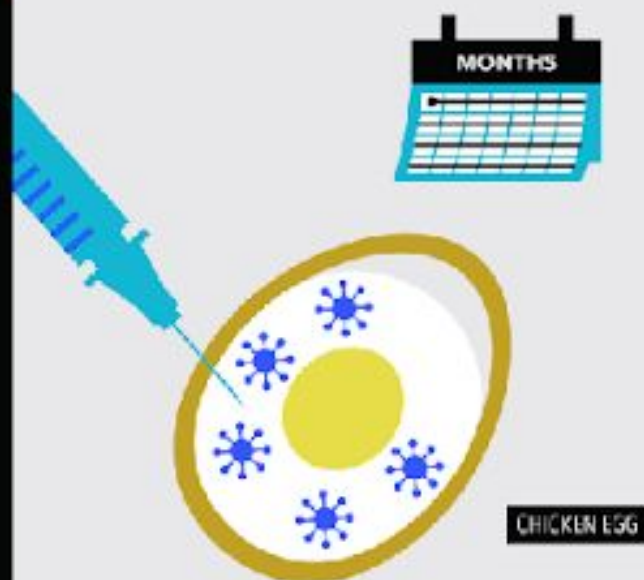
- Conventional vaccines - usually contain inactivated disease-causing organisms or proteins made by the pathogen (antigens), which work by mimicking the infectious agent. They stimulate the body's immune response, so it is primed to respond more rapidly and effectively if exposed to the infectious agent in the future;

- **Advanced vaccines - RNA vaccines** use a different : RNA vaccine consists of an mRNA strand that codes for a disease-specific antigen. Once the mRNA strand in the vaccine is inside the body's cells, the cells use the genetic information to produce the antigen. This antigen is then displayed on the cell surface, where it is recognized by the immune system.

PRODUCTION TIME

CONVENTIONAL VACCINES

Most vaccines against viral diseases are made from viruses grown in chicken eggs or mammalian cells. The process of collecting the viruses, adapting them to grow in the lab, and shipping them around the world can take months and is complex. For newly emerging viruses like SARS-CoV-2, for which a new vaccine is needed as quickly as possible, these steps may slow down development.



RNA VACCINES

The RNA (which encodes an antigen of the infectious agent) is made from a DNA template in the lab. The DNA can be synthesized from an electronic sequence that can be sent across the world in an instant by computer. Currently it takes about a week to generate an experimental batch of an RNA vaccine.



BIOSAFETY

CONVENTIONAL VACCINES

Growing large quantities of virus to make each batch of vaccine creates potential hazards.

VACCINE



RNA VACCINES

No virus is needed to make a batch of an RNA vaccine. Only small quantities of virus are used for gene sequencing and vaccine testing.

VACCINE



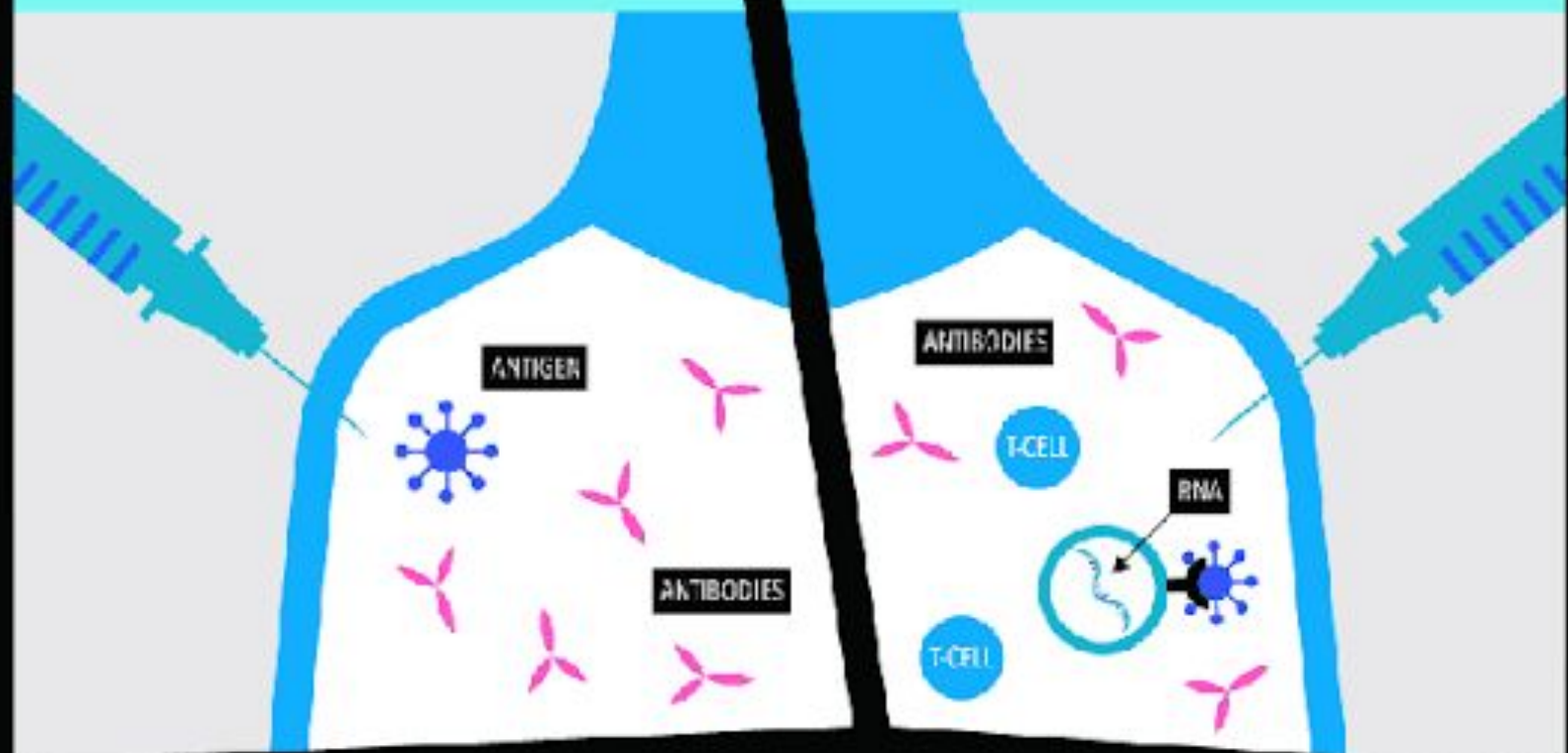
IMMUNE RESPONSE

CONVENTIONAL VACCINES

The antigen (a piece of the virus) is injected into the body. Upon recognizing the antigen, the immune system produces specific antibodies in preparation for the next time the body encounters the pathogen.

RNA VACCINES

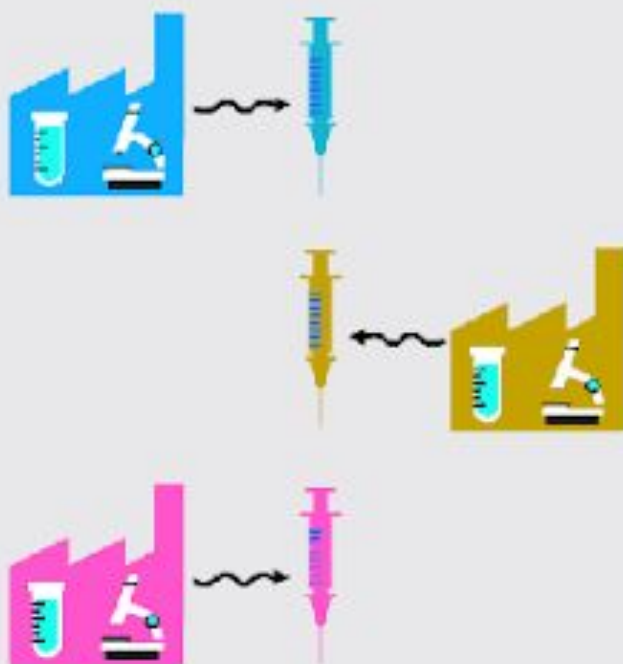
The RNA is injected into the body and enters cells, where it provides instructions to produce antigens. The cell then presents the antigens to the immune system, prompting T-cell and antibody responses that can fight the disease.



FLEXIBILITY

CONVENTIONAL VACCINES

Each new vaccine requires a bespoke production process, including complex purification and testing.



RNA VACCINES

We anticipate that the production process for RNA vaccines may be able to be scaled and standardized; potentially enabling replacement of the sequence encoding the target protein of interest for a new vaccine, with minimal changes to the vaccine production process.



Types of Live Vaccines (LVNs)

- LVNs are prepared with organisms limited in the ability to cause disease (avirulent or attenuated).
- These organism **mimic** the natural behavior of the 'wild' microbe without causing severe disease.
- LVNs may **consist** of the following **types of organisms**:
 - (1) **Attenuated (weakened) wild** type bacteria or viruses.
 - (2) **Virulent** microorganisms **from other species** that share antigens with human pathogens (**Divergent VNs**).
 - (3) **Hybrid vaccines** that can be used for those pathogens that cannot be properly attenuated.

Live vaccines (1): **Attenuated vaccines**

They are the **wild type bacteria or viruses weakened by modifying conditions** under which the organisms grow or by other approaches:

- (1) Growing under Nonphysiological Temperature.
- (2) Passage in Non-Susceptible Hosts. The **mutant organisms do not replicate well in any human cells** (host range mutant of **rabies virus**), or can replicate at a benign site but **do not replicate in the target tissues** characteristically affected by the disease (**polio virus** replicates in the GIT but does not reach or infect the **brain**, as wild type does).
- (3) Genetically modified vaccines may be created by **genetically engineering mutations** that **inactivate or delete a virulent gene** instead of randomly attenuating the virus through passages.

Live vaccines (2): **Attenuated vaccines**

Generally attenuation can be achieved by modify-ing conditions under which the organism grows.

The organism can be grown at nonphysiological temperature:

- 1) Higher temperature (and anaerobic conditions) - *chicken cholera bacillus* and *anthrax bacillus* (42,5°C) were cultured by Louis Pasteur ;
- (2) Low temperature (32⁰-34⁰C) selects for the growth in embryonated chicken eggs or tissue culture cells of **less virulent mutant strains** that **grow poorly at 37⁰C**, and fail to replicate in low respiratory tract (*measles, influenza vaccines*)

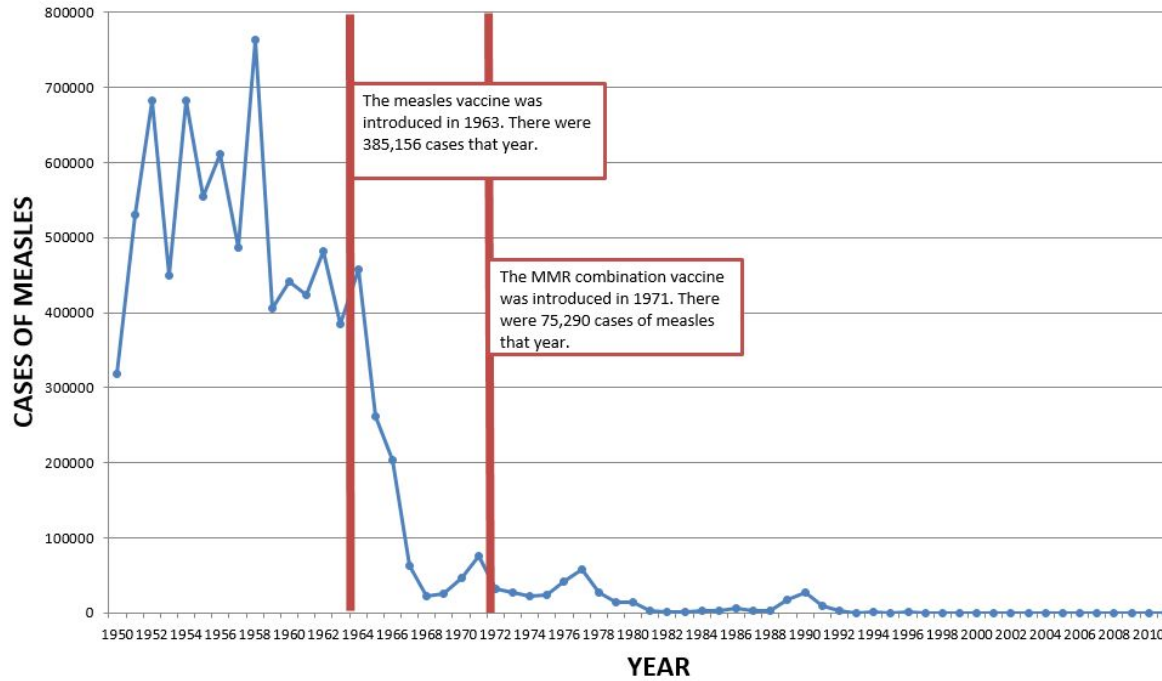
Live viral vaccines (LVVNs): Immune responses

Immunization with a LVVNs resembles **natural infection** and *elicits both humoral and cell-mediated immune responses.*

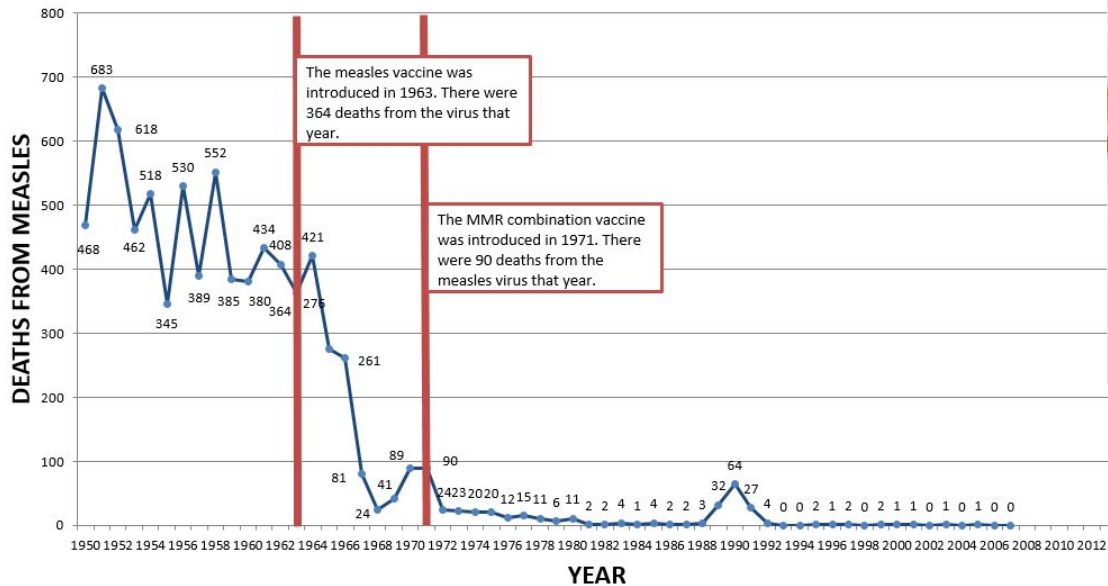
Most LVVNs designed to protect people **against viral diseases**, for which the *cellular immune response is required* for the infection to resolve. These are *measles, mumps, polio, rubella, chickenpox, adenovirus, yellow fever.*

Effect of vaccination

**Measles Cases
1950-2013**

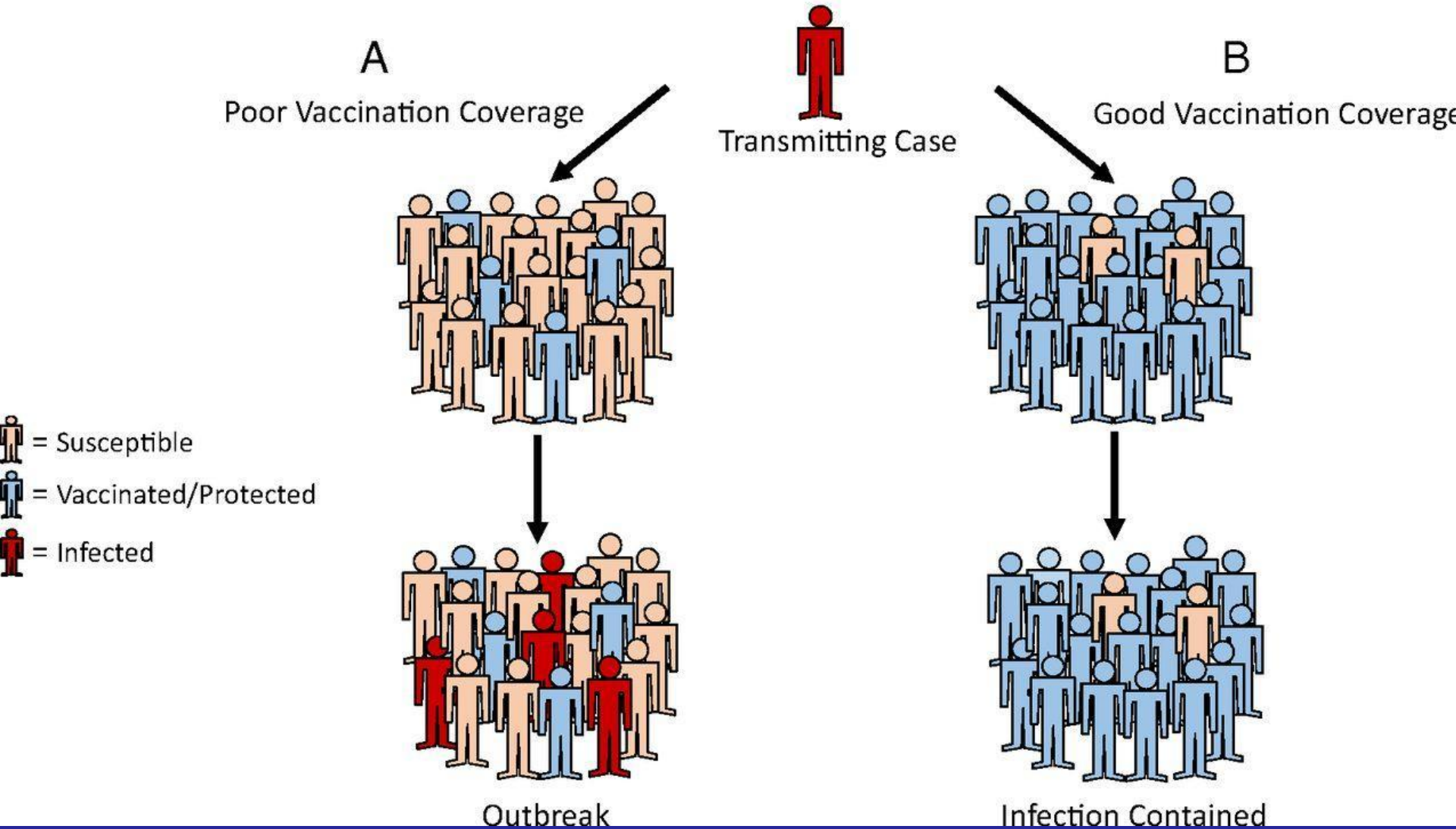


**Measles Deaths
1950-2013**



Effect of vaccination

Community Protection

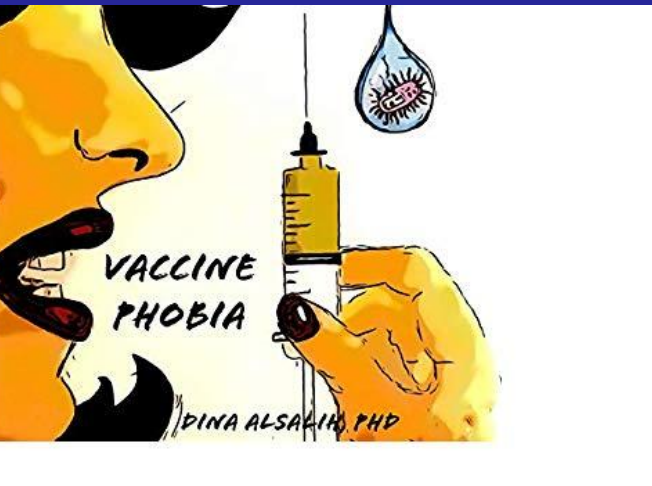


The Anti-vaccination Movement: A Regression in Modern Medicine



The Anti-vaccination Movement: A Regression in Modern Medicine

There have been recent trends of parents in Western countries refusing to vaccinate their children due to numerous reasons and fears. While opposition to vaccines is as old as the vaccines themselves, there has been a recent surge in the opposition to vaccines in general, specifically against the MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella) vaccine.



The Anti-vaccination Movement: A Regression in Modern Medicine



Almost incredibly, the trigger for what would become a worldwide controversy over vaccine safety was a single scientific research paper published in a medical journal – the Lancet – in February 1998, written by a then-41-year-old academic researcher, Andrew Wakefield, and co-authored by a dozen associates.

The Anti-vaccination Movement: A Regression in Modern Medicine

It reported on the cases of 12 anonymous children with apparent brain disorders who had been admitted to a paediatric bowel unit at the Royal Free hospital in Hampstead, north London, between July 1996 and February 1997. The prime cause of the alarm was findings in the paper claiming that the parents of two thirds of the 12 children blamed MMR for the sudden onset of what was described as a combination of both an inflammatory bowel disease and what Wakefield called “regressive autism”.

- Live divergent vaccines: (2) **Virulent micro-organisms from other species that share antigens with human pathogens:**
- (1) ***cowpox virus*** – first vaccine developed against **smallpox**.
 - (2) vaccines consisting of ***bovine*** or ***simian rotavirus*** have shown the **initial** success in ***protecting infants*** against **human rotavirus** in ***clinical trials***.
 - (3) ***Adenovirus*** vaccines may consist a **virulent strains** used for oral/GIT administration to induce immunity in

Newborn baby Rotaviruses vaccine immunization



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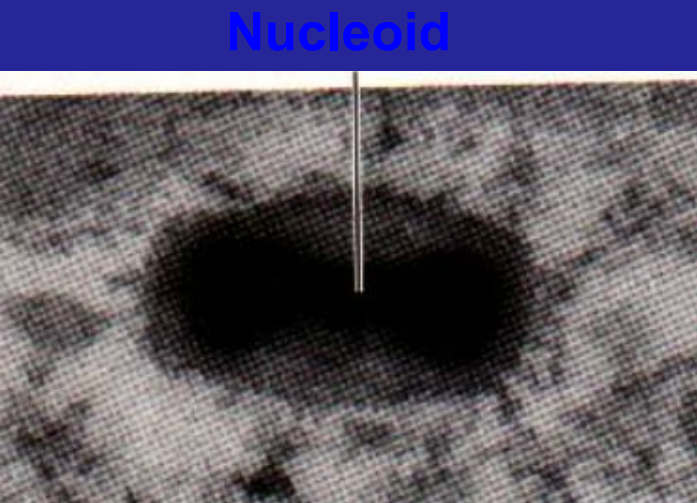
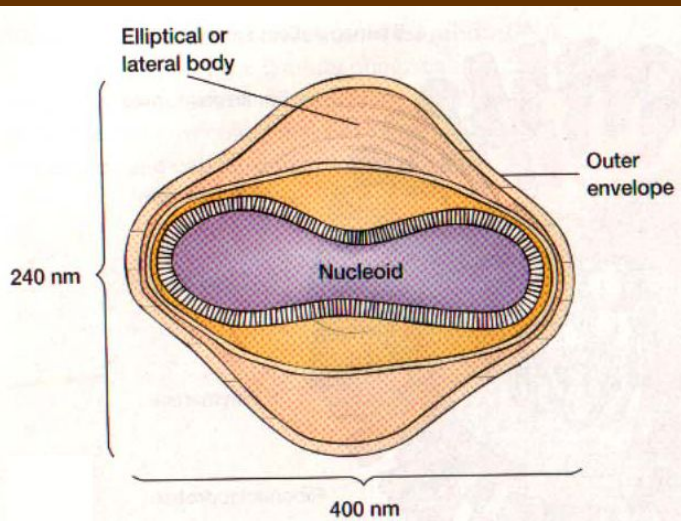
Rotavirus is a virus that causes diarrhea, mostly in babies and young children. The diarrhea can be severe, and lead to dehydration. Vomiting and fever are also common in babies with rotavirus.

Two rotavirus vaccines are currently licensed for use in infants in the United States:

RotaTeq® (RV5) is given in 3 doses at ages 2 months, 4 months, and 6 months

Rotarix® (RV1) is given in 2 doses at ages 2 months and 4 months

Live vector vaccines:(3)**Hybrid vaccines**



- These VNs can be used for those pathogens that cannot be properly attenuated.
- Genes from them can be inserted into safe virus (vaccinia) to form a polyvalent vaccine to many agents in a single, safe, inexpensive, and reliable vector.
- On infection, the hybrid virus expresses and initiates immune response to itself and the inserted antigens.
- The *vaccinia*, *herpes simplex virus*, and *adenoviruses* have been used in several experimental vaccines.

ChimeriVax Technology

Yellow fever 17D genome cloned as cDNA



Chimeric cDNA → transcribe to RNA



Transfect mRNA

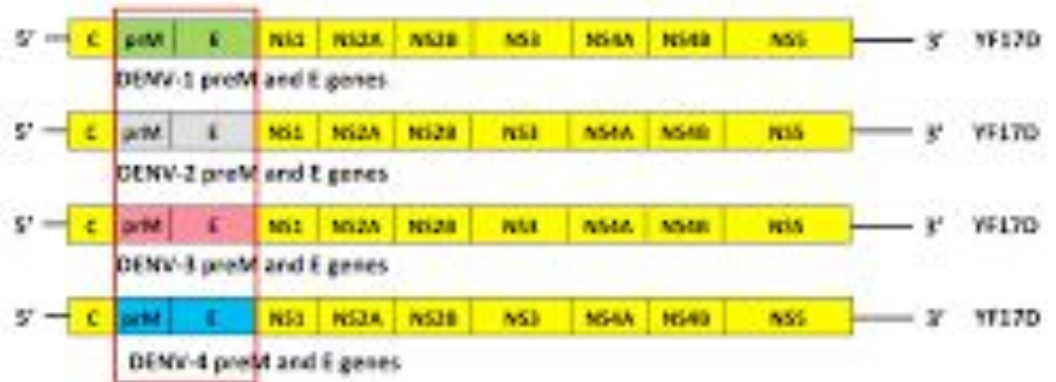
Envelope is heterologous virus containing immunizing antigens

RNA replicative 'engine' is YF 17D



CYD-TDV "Dengvaxia®"

- 17D Yellow fever vaccine backbone
- Pre-membrane (preM) and envelope (E) structural genes replaced with those from each of 4 dengue serotypes (DENV1-4)
- 3 doses – given at 0, 6, and 12 months

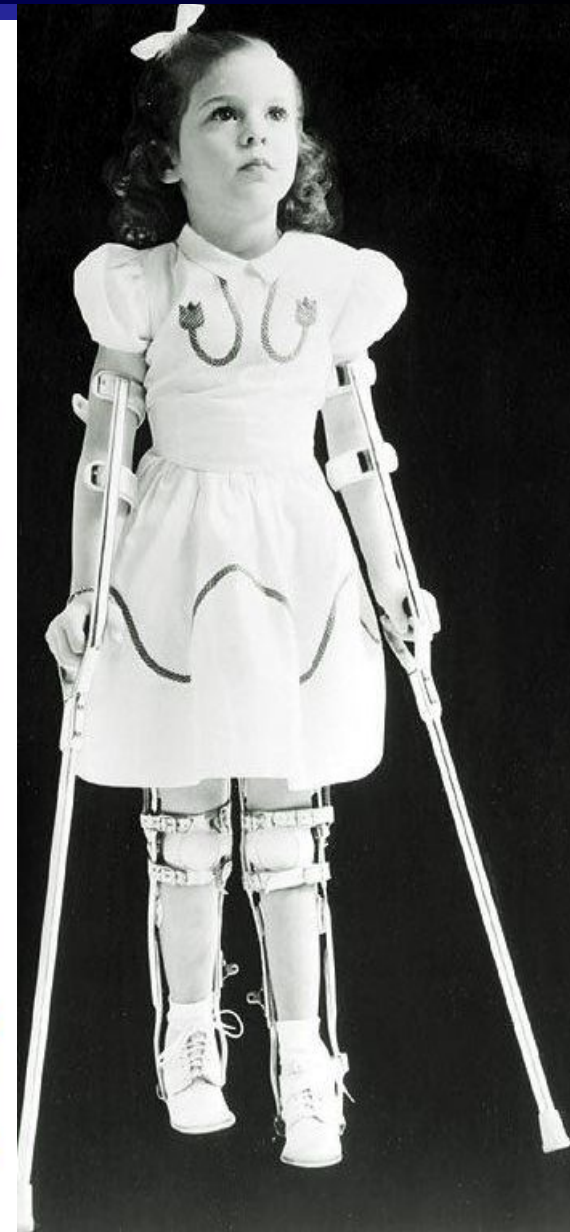


Poliomyelitis: Effect of vaccination

Estimated number of polio cases per year

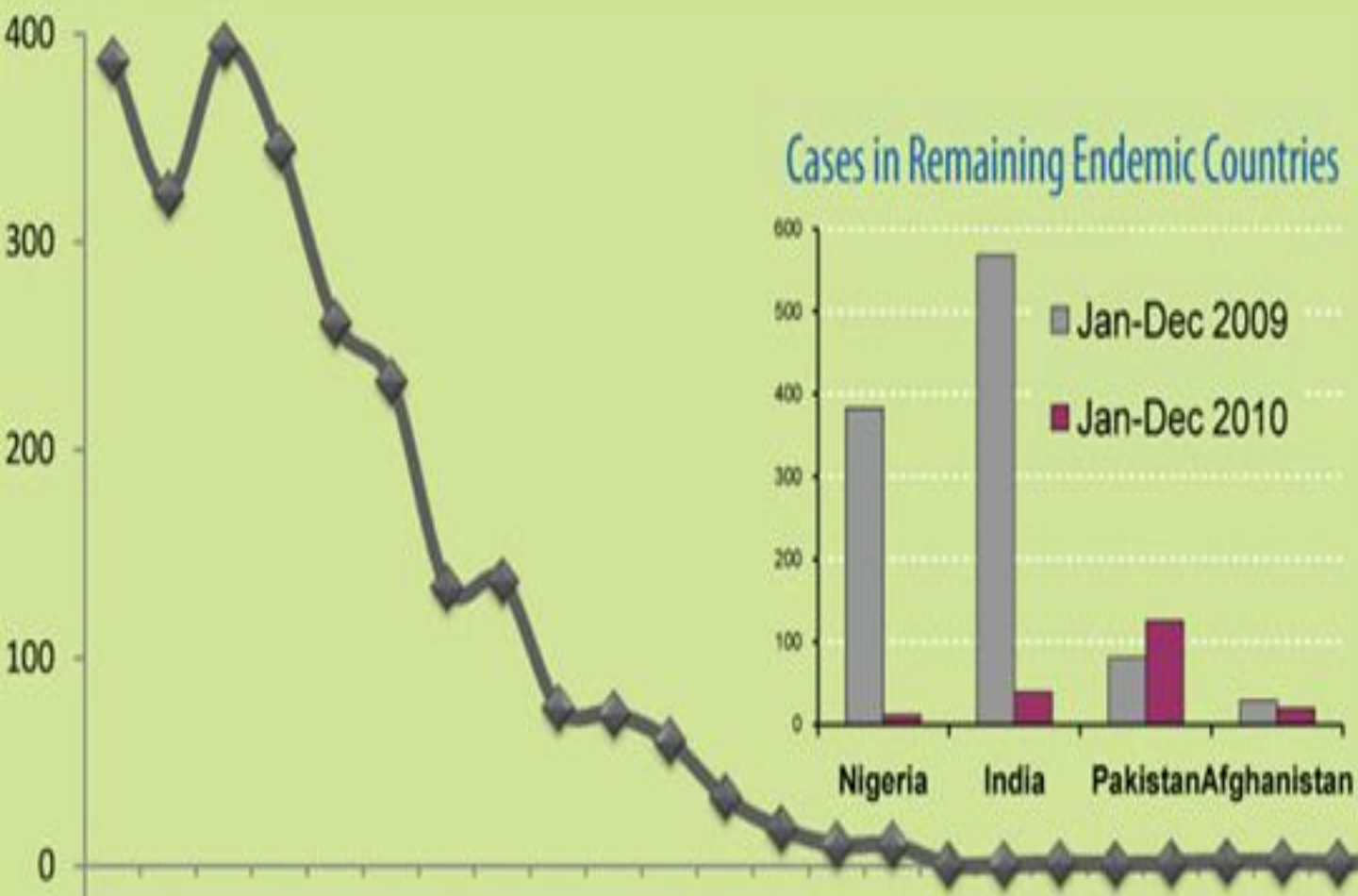


Source: WHO/Polio database



Poliomyelitis: Effect of vaccination

Global Progress Toward Polio Eradication Polio Cases, 1985-2010



Live bacterial vaccines (LBVNs): Immune responses

LBVNs include attenuated strains *Salmonella typhi* (typhoid fever), BCG for tuberculosis made from attenuated strain of *Mycobacterium bovis*, and attenuated tularemia vaccine.

A LBVN may be required to elicit protection against infections such as these because both *humoral and cellular* responses are important to confer protection against intracellular parasites.

Live vaccines: **The advantages**

(1) The **immunity is long live**, and mimics the normal immune responses.

(2) When vaccine is administered orally, **SIgA** is secreted in the **gut** and **oropharynx to protect the mucous** (oral polio vaccine, OPV).

This **prevents** the establishing of **carrier state** and **facilitates** the near **eradication** of the **wild type virus** from the community.

(3) Live vaccines are administered in **low doses**. Basically **one single administration** is enough for protection because **organisms multiply** in a body.

Live vaccines: **The disadvantages**

- (1) they may cause disease in immunosuppressed individuals and should be replaced by the other type of vaccine (OPV can be replaced by IPV);
- (2) the vaccine may revert to virulent form.



Inactivated vaccines (IVNs)

- IVNs provide safe antigen for immunization and are used to confer protection against most bacteria and viruses that may be too virulent to be attenuated or may be oncogenic.
- IVNs can be produced by chemical modification with formalin, by heating of the organism or its products (bacterial toxins), by purification of the bacterial or viral components.

IVNs can be of **three major types**:

- (1) **whole killed** (for **bacteria**) or **inactivated** (for **viruses**);
- (2) **capsule** (for **bacteria**) or **subunit** (for **viruses**);
- (3) **toxoid** (for **bacterial toxins**).

Whole killed & Inactivated viral vaccines

| Whole killed | Inactivated (viral) | Advantages | Disadvantages |
|---|--|---|---|
| <p><i>Pertussis,</i> <i>Cholera,</i> <i>Anthrax,</i> <i>Plague</i></p> | <p>Influenza, Polio Salk, Hepatitis A</p> | <p>Could not revert to virulent strain</p> | <p>Less immunogenic (compare with live vaccines), administered with <i>adjuvants (alum)</i></p> |
| | | <p>Rabies, Japanese and Tick-borne Encephalitis</p> | <p>Could not cause infection in immunocompromised</p> |
| | <p>The immunity is not lifelong</p> | | |
| | <p>Does not elicit local SIgA</p> | | |
| | <p>Can cause adverse side effects: allergic reactions</p> | | |

Capsule vaccines for bacteria **and subunit vaccines for viruses**

They can be developed after identification of the microbial **components**, that elicit a **protective** immune response—**protective antigens**.

Immunogenic component may be isolated from bacterium or viruses:

- (1) by **biochemical means** (***chemical vaccines***) or
- (2) by **genetic engineering** (***recombinant vaccines***) involving the **expression of cloned viral genes** in bacteria or eukariotic cell

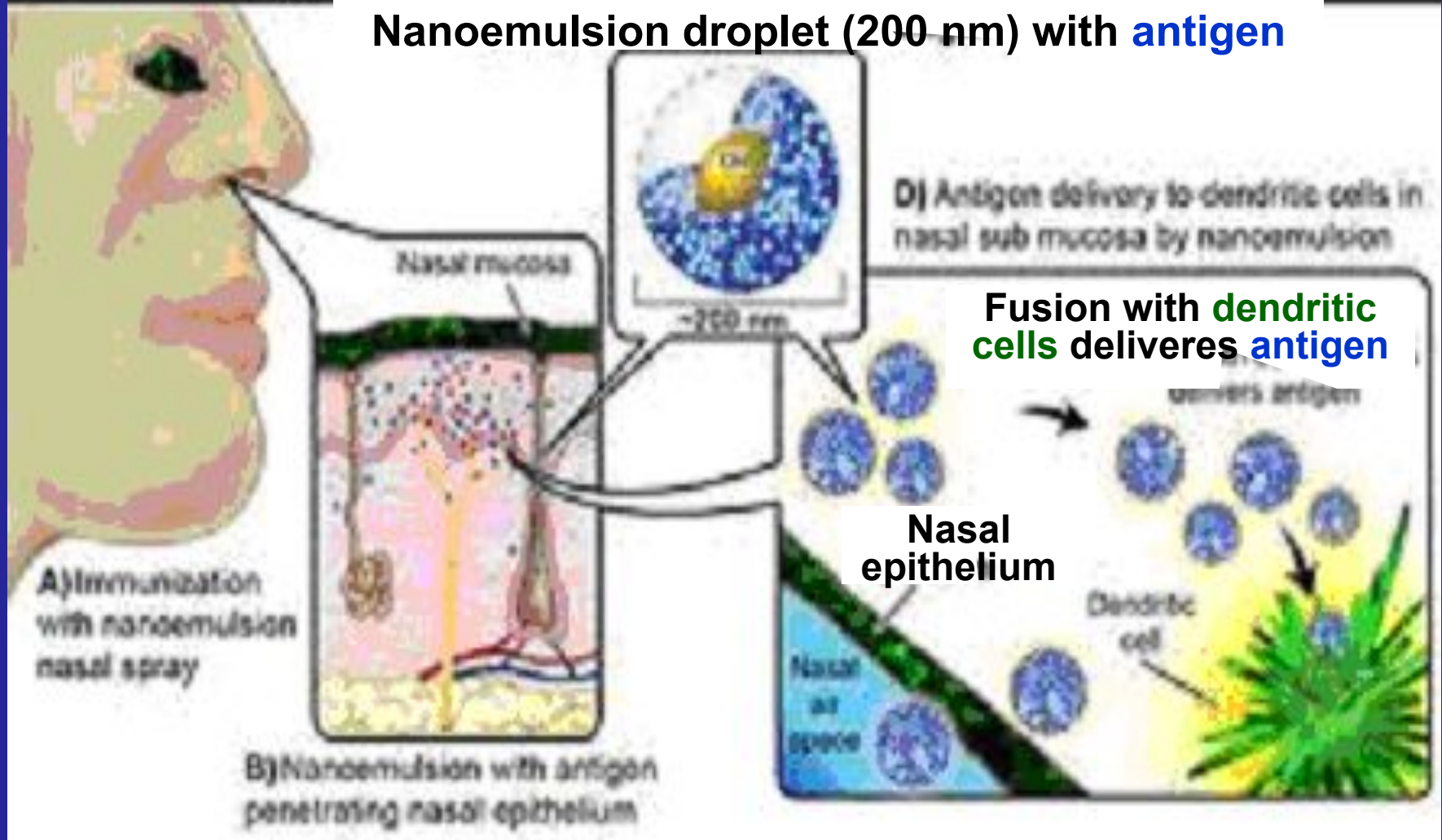
Capsule & Subunit vaccines (VNs)

| Capsule (bacteria) | Subunit (viruses) | Disadvantages |
|---|---|--|
| <p>Surface polysaccharides (PSs):</p> <p><u>Meningococcal</u> (PSs of 4 serotypes),</p> <p><u>Pneumococcal</u> (from 23 serotypes),</p> <p><u>Haemophilus influenza</u> VCN (PS serotype B),</p> <p><u>Recombinant Lyme disease</u> (recombinant OspA-outer surface</p> | <p>Isolated Purified surface envelope proteins.</p> <p><u>Influenza</u> VN (hemagglutinin and neuraminidase glycoproteins),</p> <p><u>Hepatitis B</u> VN (HB_s antigen from the human sera of carriers or recombinant antigen from yeasts expressing the gene for HB_s)</p> | <p>The polysaccharide VNs are poor immunogenic and can be chemically conjugated with carrier proteins to enhance immunogenicity.</p> |
| | | <p>Subunit VNs are poor immunogens and need to be administered with adjuvants or inside small lipid membrane vesicles -</p> |

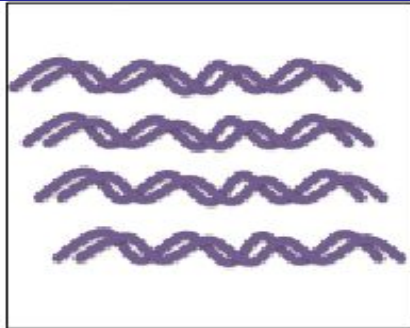
Mucosal Synthetic Conjugated Vaccine (Peptides)

Mechanism of Action of Nanoemulsion Vaccine

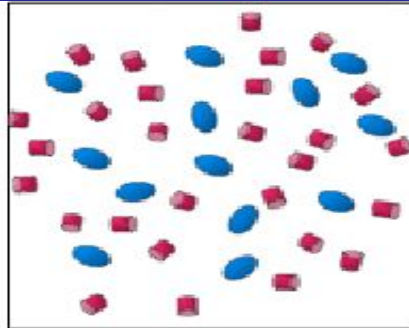
Nanoemulsion droplet (200 nm) with antigen



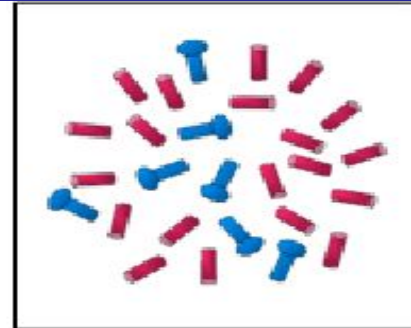
Influenza vaccines



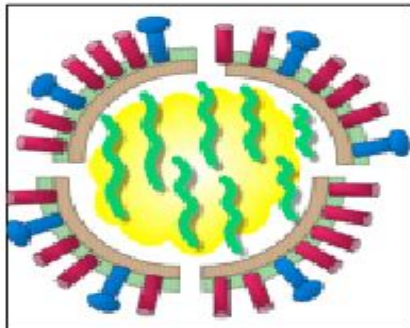
DNA



synthetic peptides

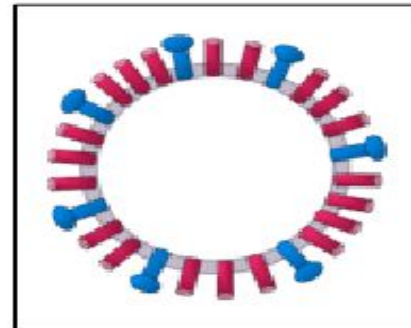


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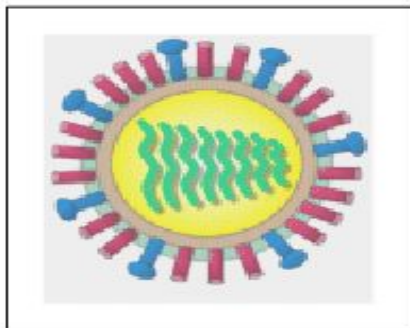


split inactivated virus

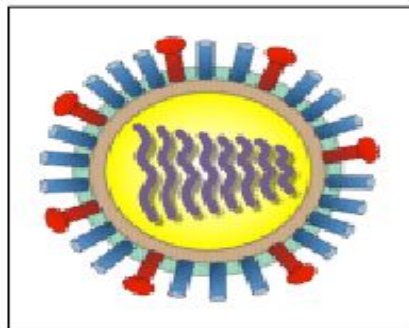
influenza virus
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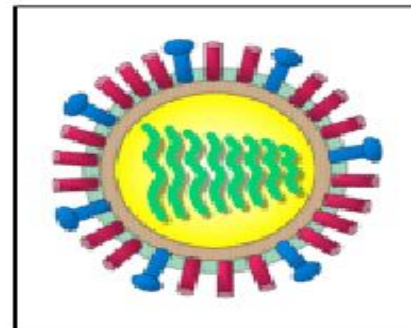
virion like particles



whole inactivated virus



live attenuated
influenza virus (LAIV)



infectious virus

Toxoids (TDs)

TDs are exotoxins converted to non-toxigenic but still immunogenic form.

Immunization with the TD provokes the formation of protective antibodies which neutralize the toxin and facilitate the toxin removal by phagocytosis.

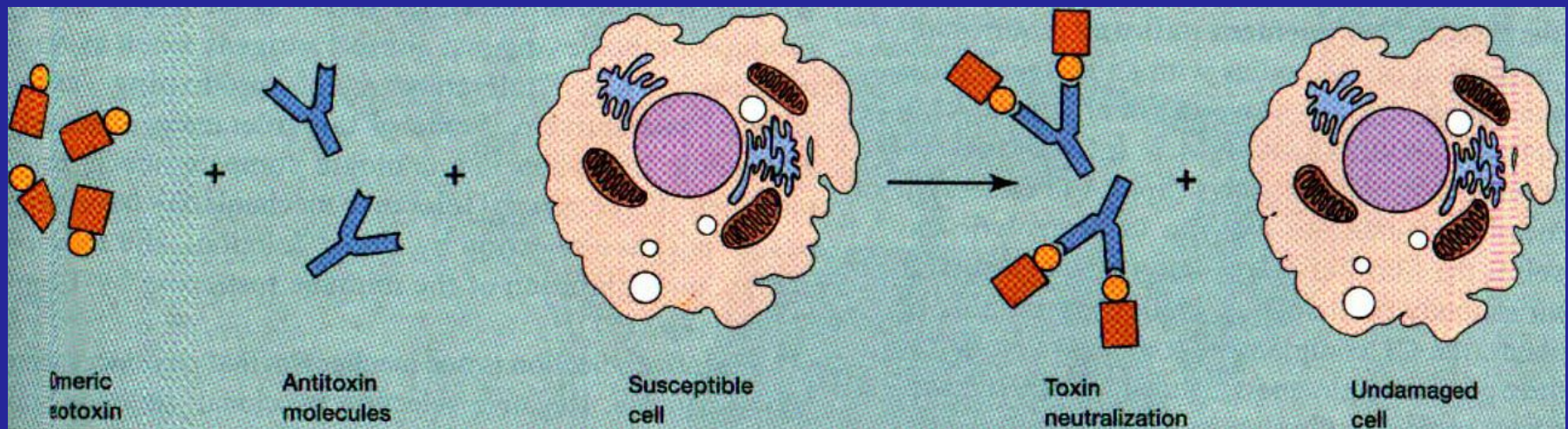
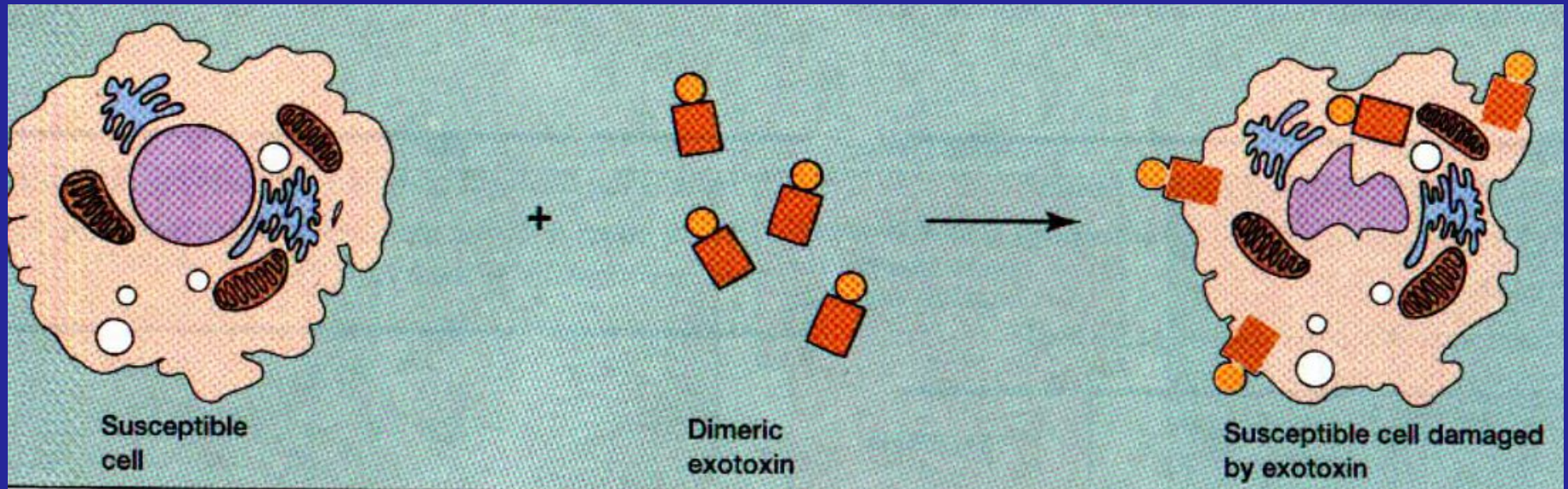
TDs are poor immunogenic and should be administered with adjuvants (alum - $\text{Al}(\text{OH})_3$ or $\text{Al}(\text{PO}_4)$) or can be covalently attached to a protein antigen.

TDs need booster shots to conform protection.

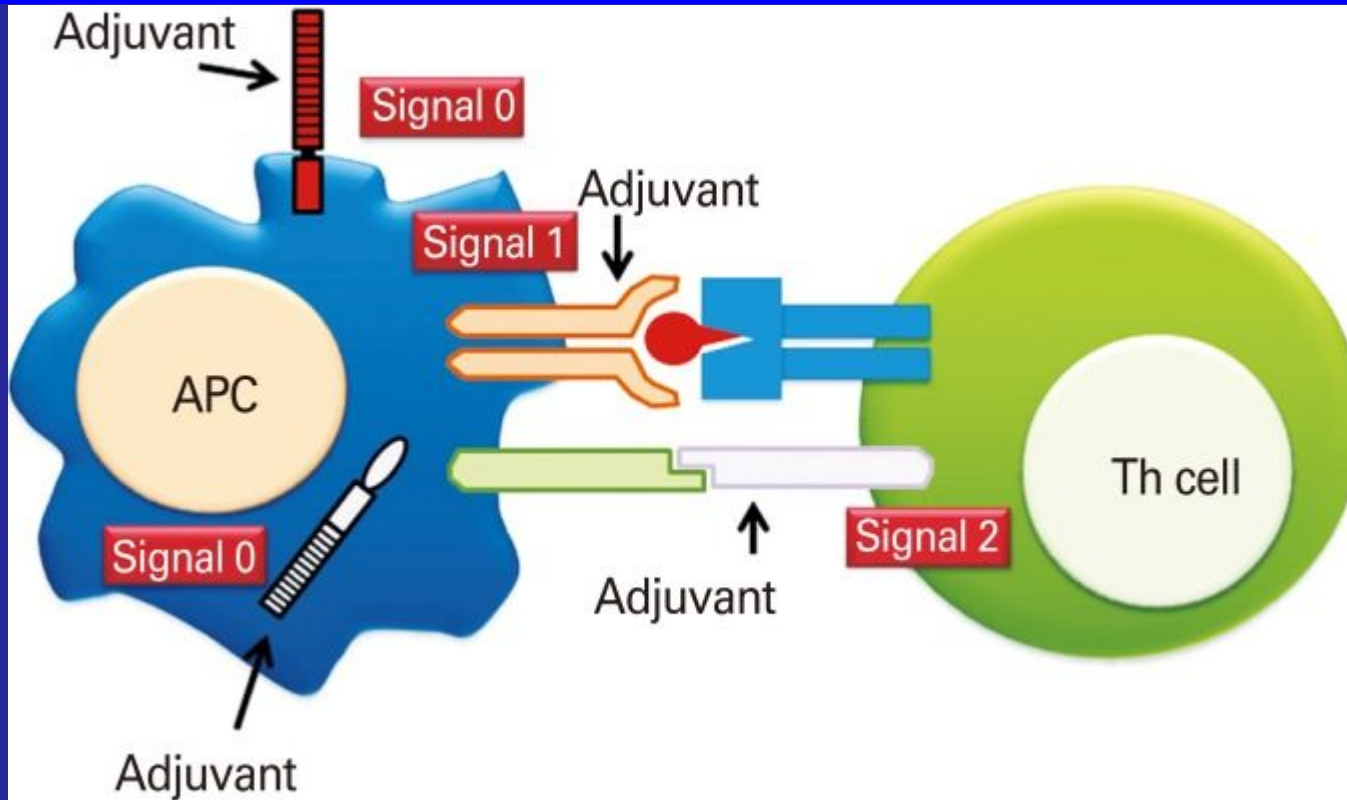
Vaccines that contain toxoids are for *tetanus*, *diphtheria*, *cholera*, *botulism*.

Composite vaccine DPT contains 2 toxoids absorbed on alum – *diphtheria* and *tetanus* – and whole killed pertussis cells

Toxoids: Induction of antitoxins

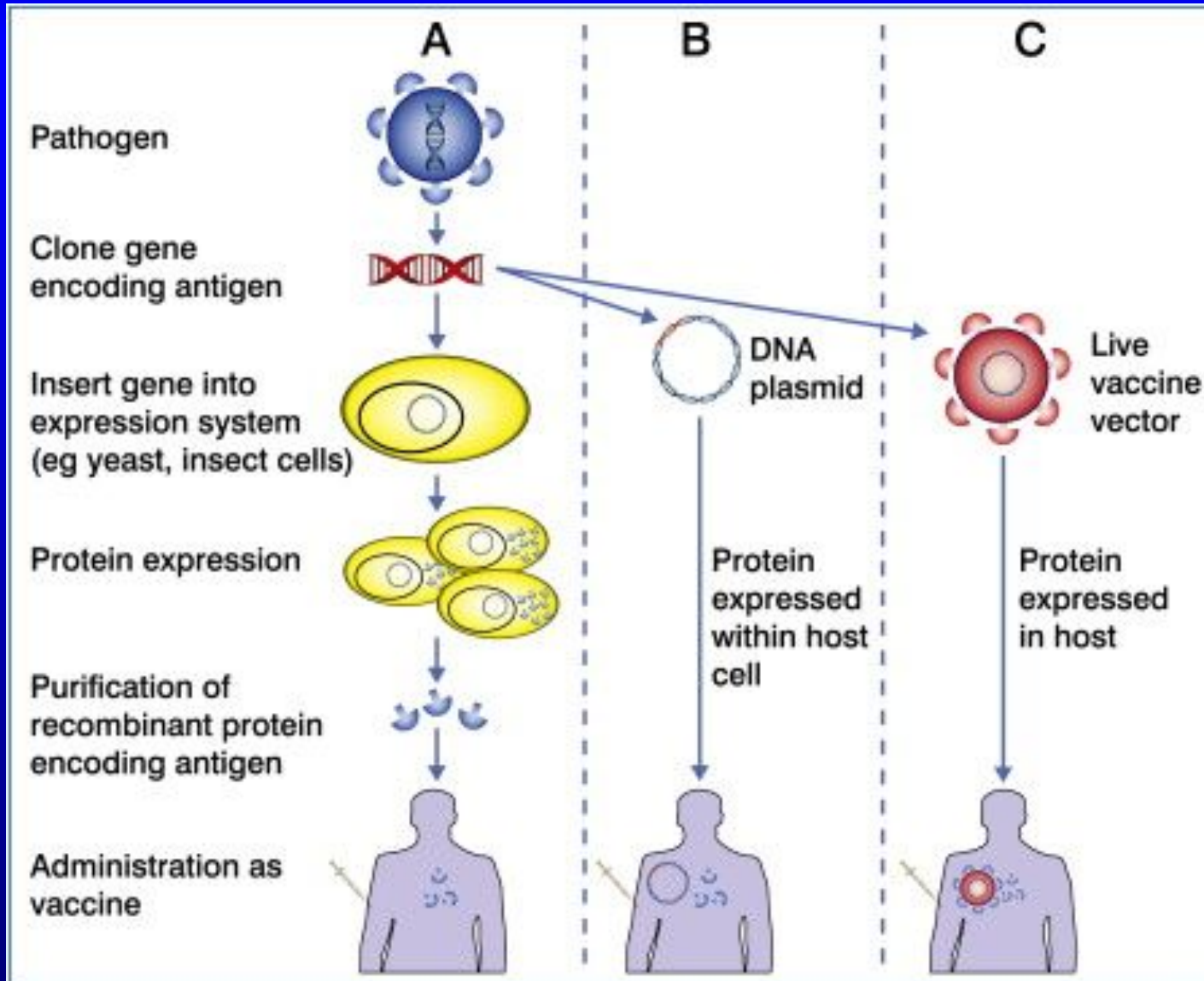


Adjuvants




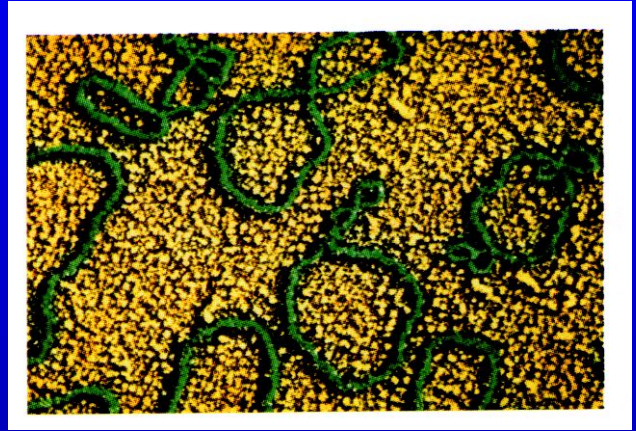
The target site of vaccine adjuvants. Most of the recently developed specific adjuvants, such as pattern recognition receptor (PRR) ligands act on signal 0 (antigen recognition and antigen-presenting cells [APCs] activation), and indirectly on signal 2 (co-stimulation). In addition, PRR ligands can act on signal 1 (efficient presentation of the co-administered antigen).

Recombinant/DNA approaches in vaccines



DNA vaccines

- DNA vaccines consist of **naked DNA** code for a **gene for vaccinal protective antigen**. This construct is produced by cloning gene, code for protective antigen, into a **bacterial plasmid**. 
- The use of **DNA vaccines** makes possible developing vaccines against infectious agents such as **HIV**, **herpes** virus, **malaria**, and others, which **require** not only **humoral** but also **cellular** immune responses for **protection**.



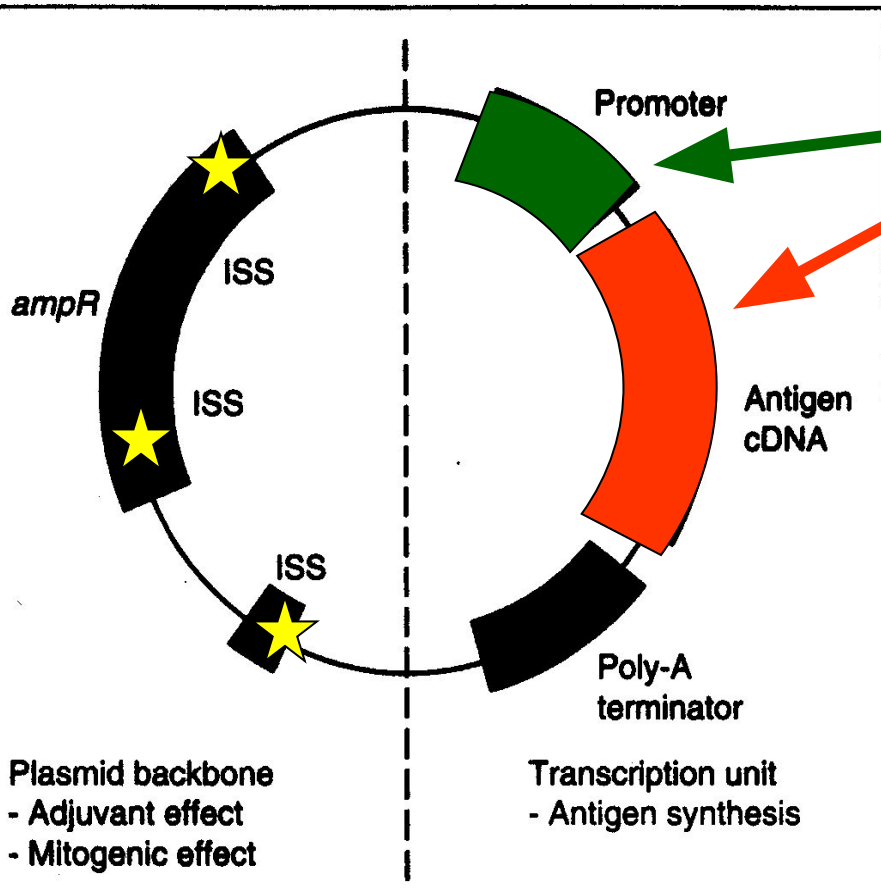
Plasmid DNA for gene vaccination

has two major units:

(1) A **transcription unit** comprising **promoter**, an **antigen cDNA**, and **poly-adenylation (A) addition sequence**, which together direct protein synthesis.

(2) A plasmid backbone delivers adjuvant and mitogenic activity via **immuno-stimulatory sequences (ISS)**.

ISS are located within the ampicillin antibiotic resistance gene (**ampR**). ISS are the noncoding region of the plasmid.



Immune responses elicited by DNA vaccines

The **DNA** plasmid is injected into the muscle cell or **skin** of the vaccine recipient.

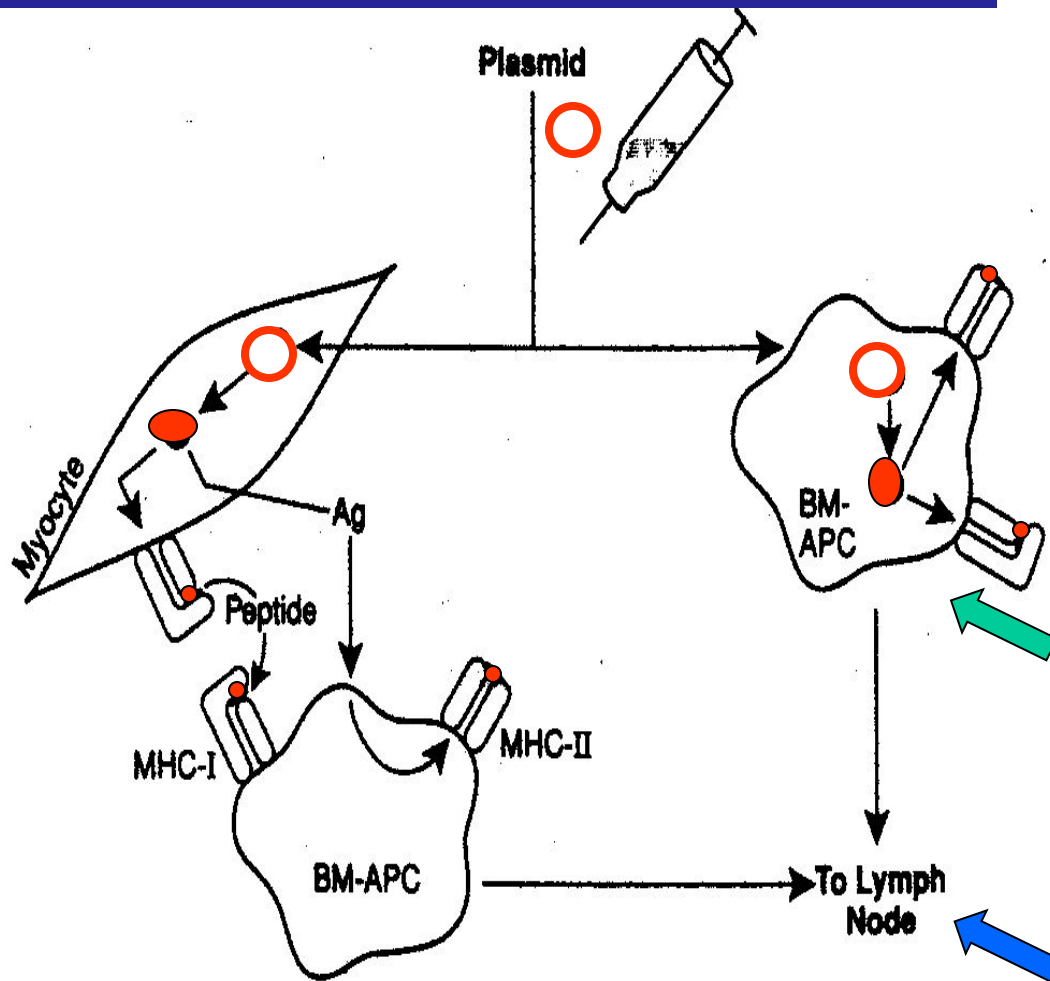
The plasmid can be **uptaken** by both **muscle cell** and **antigen-presenting cell (APC)**.

The **gene for the antigen (Ag)** will be **expressed in muscle cell** and this antigen will be produced by the recipient **muscle cells** in large amounts.

(1) When **uptaken by APC**, the **Ag** can be **presented on the APC together with class MHC-II** to activate T helper cells to mediate **humoral immunity**.

(2) When the **Ag** is produced and presented **as endogenous Ag together with class MHC-I** on the surface of the **muscle cell**, it can elicit TH1 **cell-mediated immune response**.

Transfection of host cells with plasmid DNA



Plasmid (O) is taken up by host cells (actively or passively).

Antigen (Ag) produced by transfected myocytes is taken up by bone marrow (BM)-derived antigen presenting cells (APCs).

BM-APCs can be trans-fected directly also.

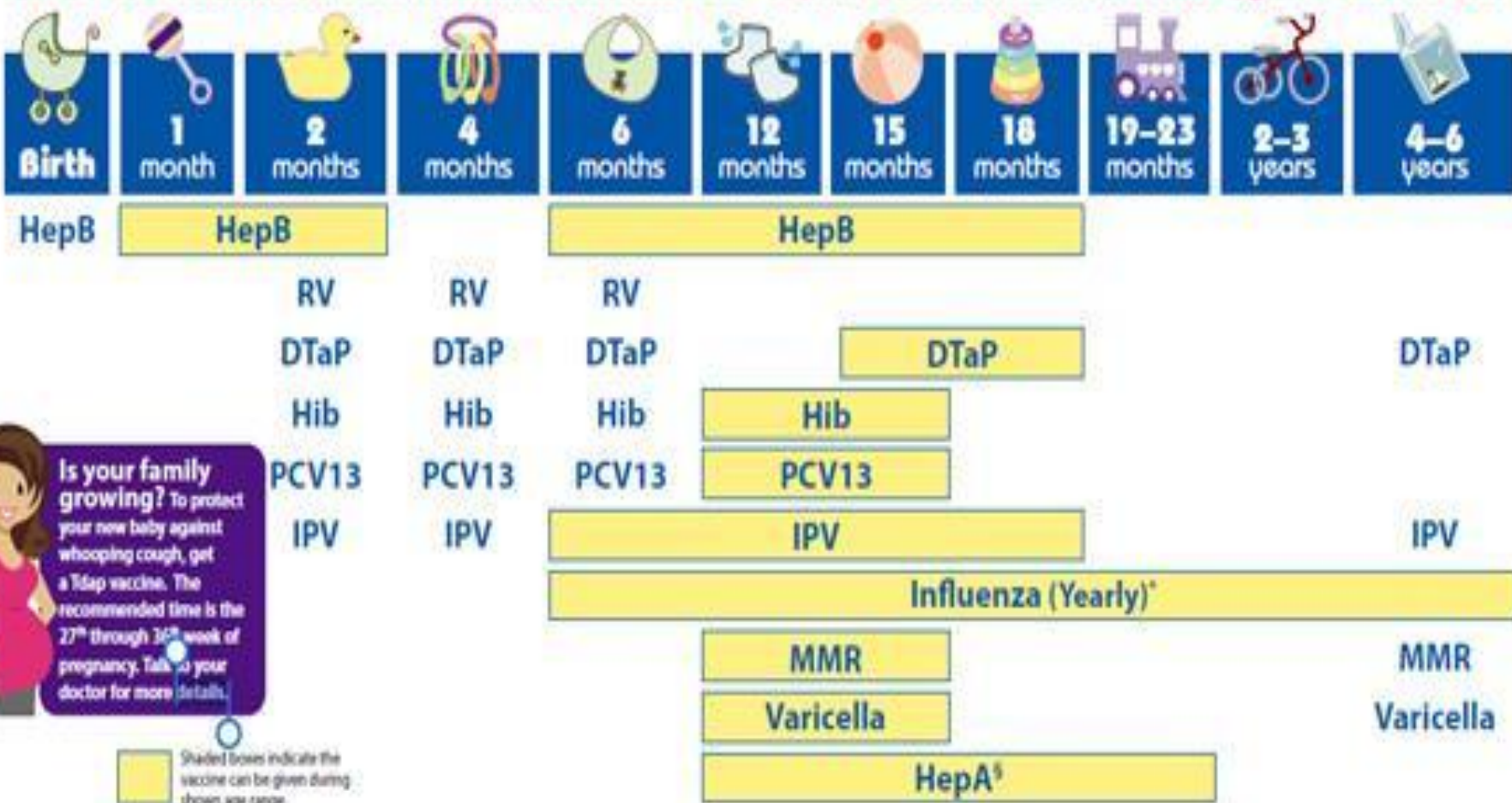
Ag-bearing APC then can process and present anti-genic peptides com-plexed with MHC-molecu-les to the immune system after

DNA Vaccines



At present, several different DNA- based vaccines are on clinical trails against *malaria, HIV, influenza, hepatitis B, and others*. There is a special device for delivery – the gene gun.

2020 Recommended Immunizations for Children from Birth Through 6 Years Old



Is your family growing? To protect your new baby against whooping cough, get a Tdap vaccine. The recommended time is the 27th through 36th week of pregnancy. Talk to your doctor for more details.

NOTE:
If your child misses a shot, you don't need to start over. Just go back to your child's doctor for the next shot. Talk with your child's doctor.

FOOTNOTES:

- * Two doses given at least four weeks apart are recommended for children age 6 months through 8 years of age who are getting an influenza (flu) vaccine for the first time and for some other children in this age group.
- § Two doses of HepA vaccine are needed for lasting protection. The first dose of HepA vaccine should be given between 12 months and 23 months of age. The second dose should be given 6 months after the first dose. All children and adolescents over 24 months of age who have not been vaccinated should also receive 2 doses of HepA vaccine.

See back page for more information on vaccine-preventable diseases and the immunization schedule.



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Вакцины

НАЦИОНАЛЬНЫЙ КАЛЕНДАРЬ ПРОФИЛАКТИЧЕСКИХ ПРИВИВОК В РОССИИ



- **Первый день жизни** Против вирусного гепатита В (1-я вакцинация)
- **3 - 7-й день** Против туберкулеза
- **1 месяц** Против вирусного гепатита В (2-я вакцинация)
- **2 месяца** Против пневмококковой инфекции (1-я вакцинация)
- **3 месяца** Против дифтерии, коклюша, столбняка (1-я вакцинация);
против полиомиелита (1-я вакцинация)
- **4,5 месяца** Против дифтерии, коклюша, столбняка (2-я вакцинация);
против полиомиелита (2-я вакцинация);
против пневмококковой инфекции (2-я вакцинация)
- **6 месяцев** Против дифтерии, коклюша, столбняка (3-я вакцинация);
против вирусного гепатита В (3-я вакцинация);
против полиомиелита (3-я вакцинация)
- **12 месяцев** Против кори, краснухи, паротита
- **15 месяцев** Против пневмококковой инфекции (ревакцинация)
- **18 месяцев** Против полиомиелита (1-я ревакцинация);
против дифтерии, коклюша, столбняка (1-я ревакцинация)
- **20 месяцев** Против полиомиелита (2-я ревакцинация)
- **6 лет** Против кори, краснухи, паротита (ревакцинация)
- **6 - 7 лет** Против дифтерии, столбняка (2-я ревакцинация);
против туберкулеза (ревакцинация)
- **14 лет** Против дифтерии, столбняка (3-я ревакцинация);
против полиомиелита (3-я ревакцинация)



Дмитрий ПОЛУХИН

Cutaneous immunization

Mucosal immunization

Epidermal powder immunization
(DNA-coated gold particles
or vaccine powders)

Liquid-jet injection
(Off-the-shelf vaccine
formulations)

Topical application
(Adjuvant patches, colloidal
carriers, ultrasound or
microneedles)

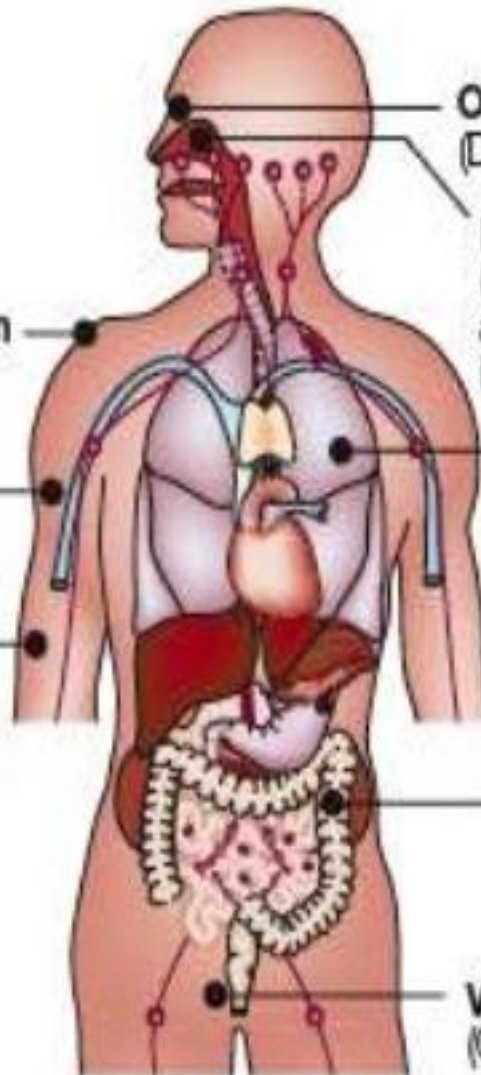
Ocular immunization
(Drops)

Nasal immunization
(Sprays and drops containing
adjuvants plus liquid formulations,
liposomes or microspheres)

Pulmonary immunization
(Aerosols or powders)

Oral immunization
(Liquid formulations and pills
containing adjuvants plus
liposomes, microspheres
or bacterial ghosts)

Vaginal or rectal immunization
(Creams containing adjuvants)



1. Non-viral gene delivery using lipoplexes. DNA is complexed with cationic liposomes and is internalized through receptor mediated

