

# Restoring Immune and Stem Cell Function and Homeostasis Using Natural Remedies and Purinergic Therapy



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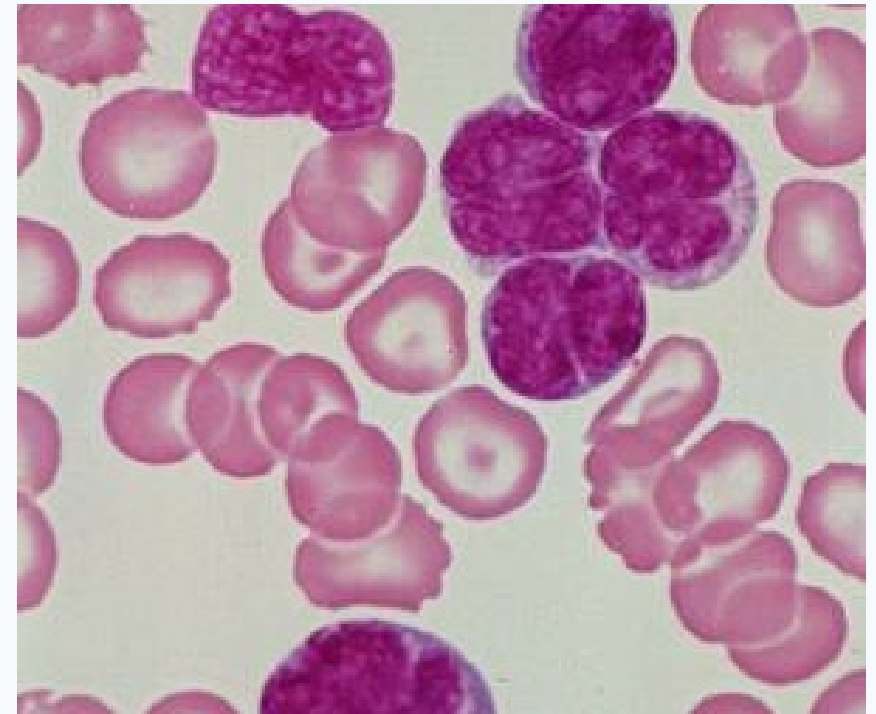


**Waking to a New Dawn: The Emergence of 21st Century Acquired Immune  
Deficiencies & Innovative Solutions**

# 1980 Discovery of HTLV-I

## Pathogenesis:

- Asymptomatic in majority of individuals
- 5% lifetime risk of developing either type of disease:
  - Adult T cell leukemia
    - Clonal malignancy of CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells.
    - Long latency; Immune deficiency
  - Inflammatory syndromes not realized until decades later
    - HTLV-I associated myelopathy/Tropical spastic paraparesis
    - Uveitis
    - Arthropathy
    - Sjogren's Syndrome



# Many Factors important in Development of Chronic Diseases associated with Retroviruses

## Subacute progression of human T-lymphotropic virus type I-associated myelopathy/tropical spastic paraparesis

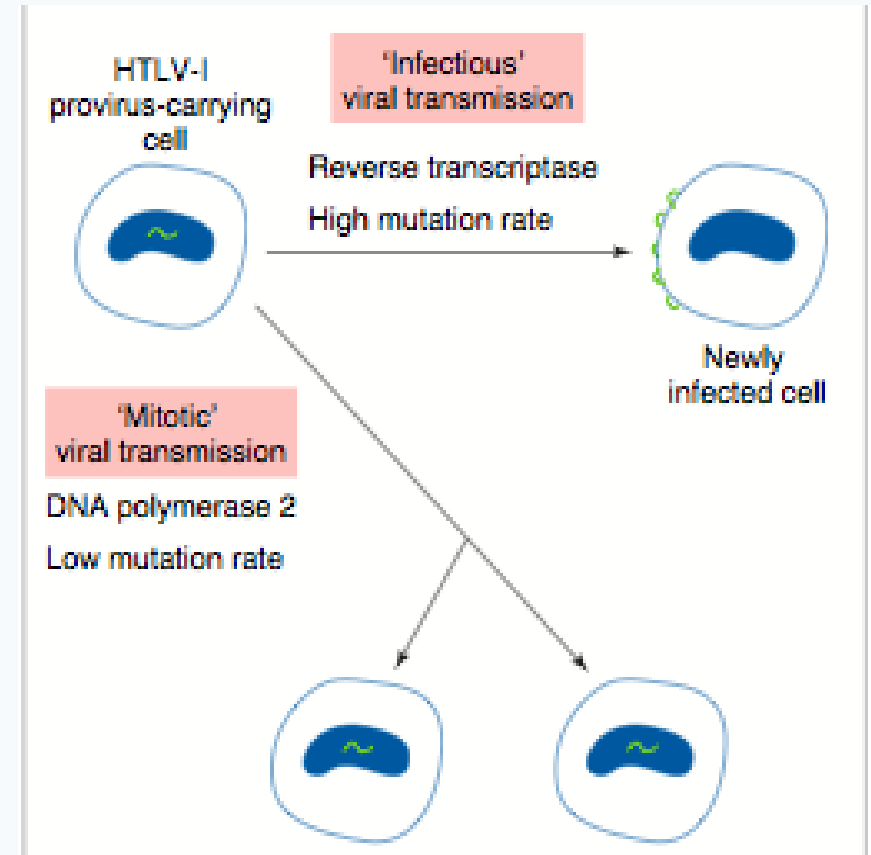
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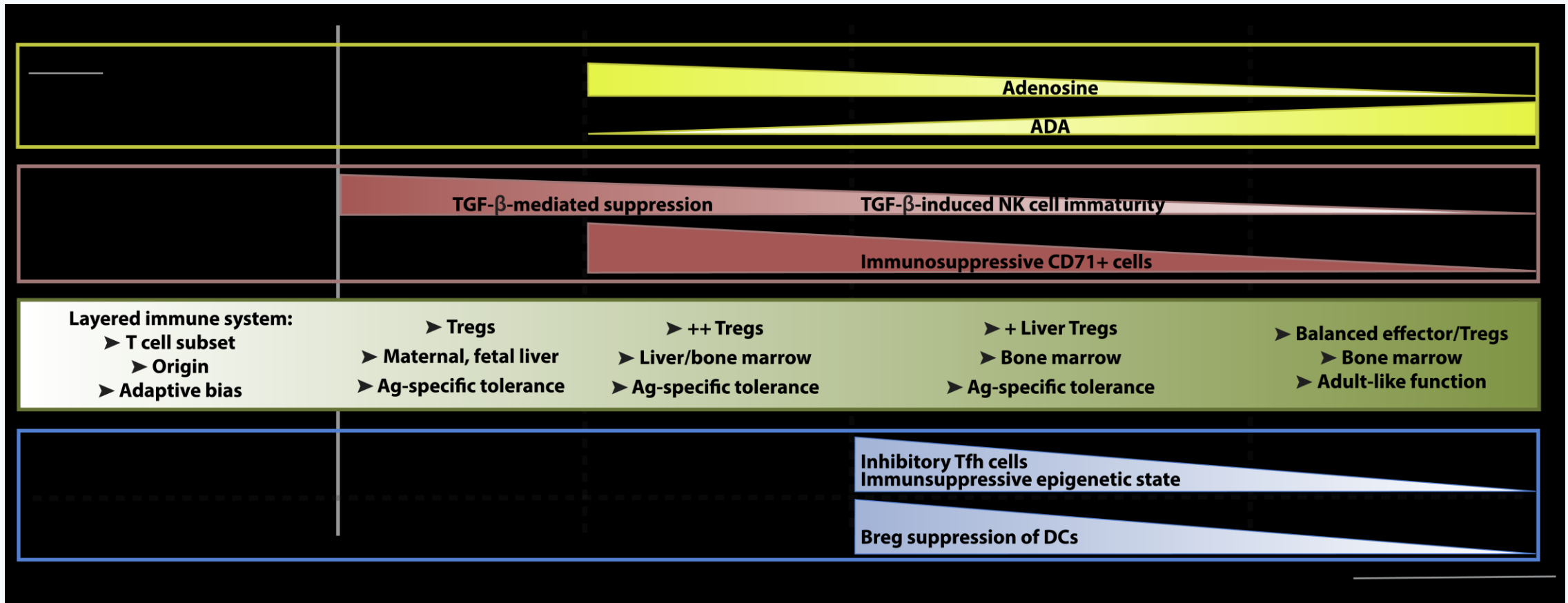
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HAM/TSP Usually Chronic Slowly progressing

- Northeastern Brazil: rapid progression Necessitating Wheelchair in 2 Years
- 8% had rapid progression: Peru 21% had rapid progression
- No difference in Viral Load
- Early Recognition is critical, immune suppressive therapy BENEFICIAL EARLY



Immunity is not static: it changes with age; many unique features in early life



The Brain and The Immune System are inextricably linked from Conception

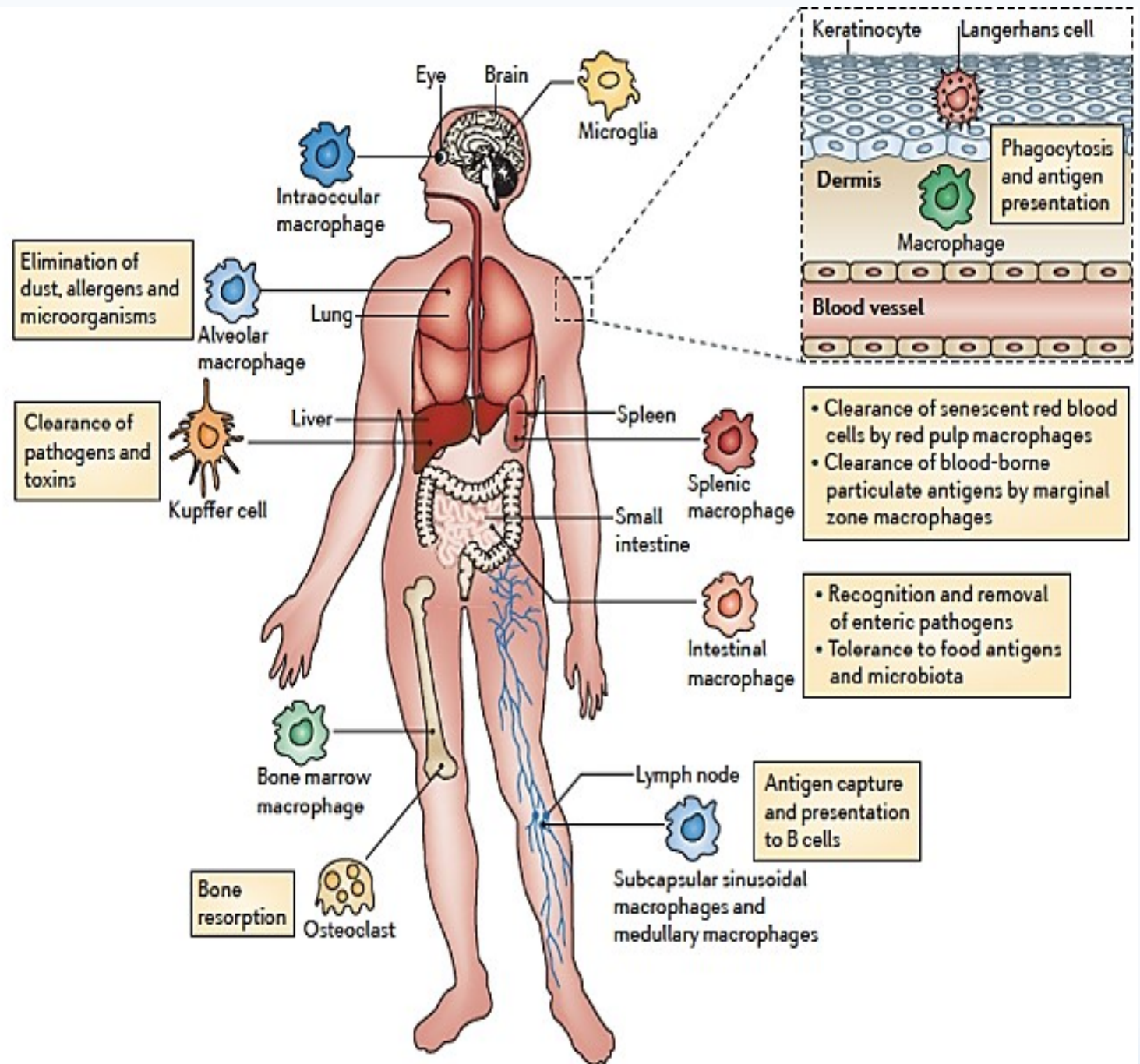


# Monocyte/Macrophage as the Driver of AIDS

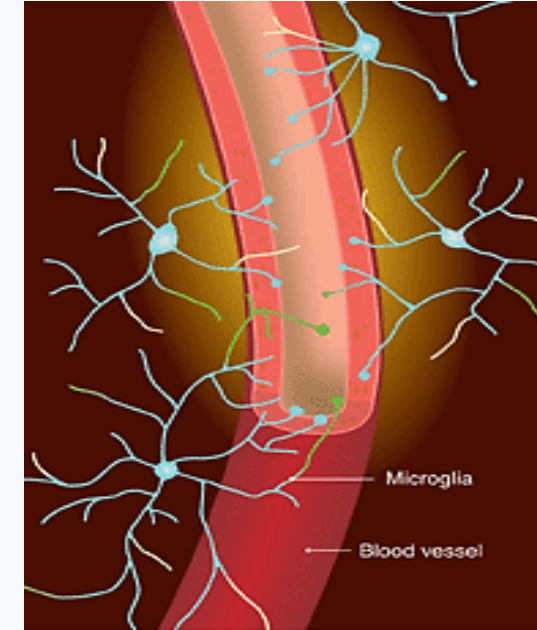
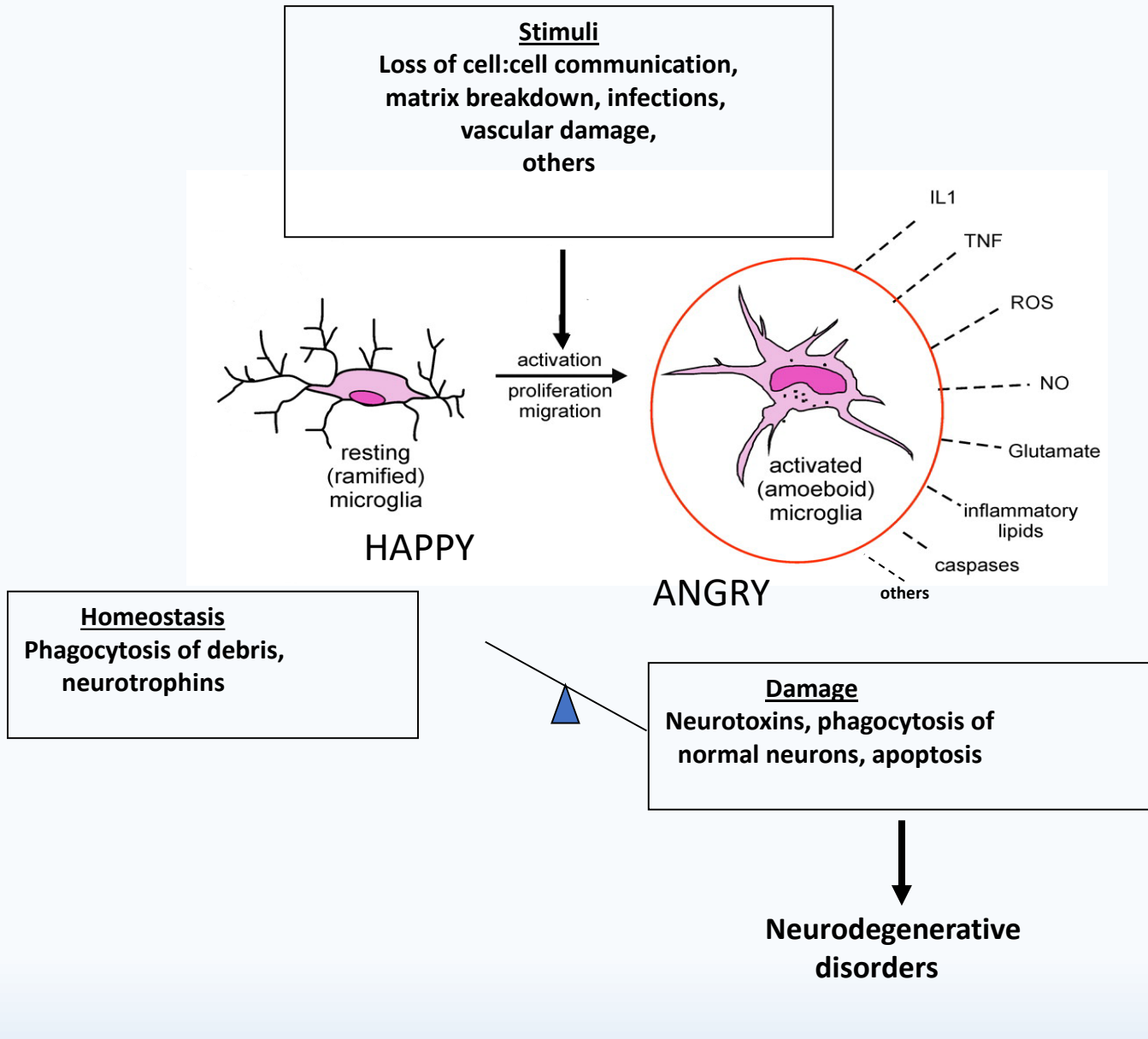
- Express Purinergic Receptors:
- P2XR and P2YR.

## Tissue Macrophages perform Key Homeostatic Functions Modulated by

- Cannabinoids
- Suramin
- Flavonoids Baicalein, Quercetin
- GcMAF(Rerum)



# Microglia Activation in Neurodegeneration

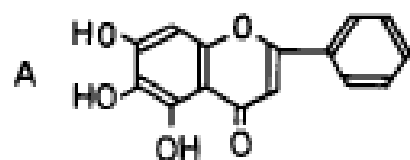


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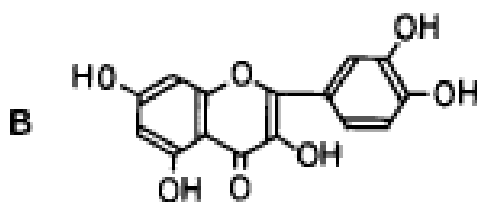
- Parkinson's disease
- Alzheimer's disease
- Multiple sclerosis
- Autism
- ME/CFS

## Differential inhibitory effects of various flavonoids on the activities of reverse transcriptase and cellular DNA and RNA polymerases

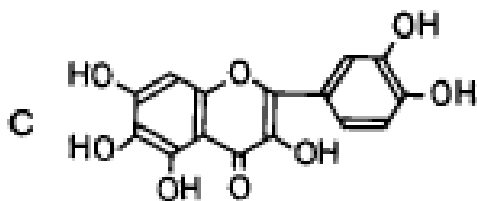
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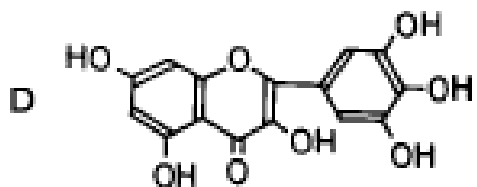
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Quercetin



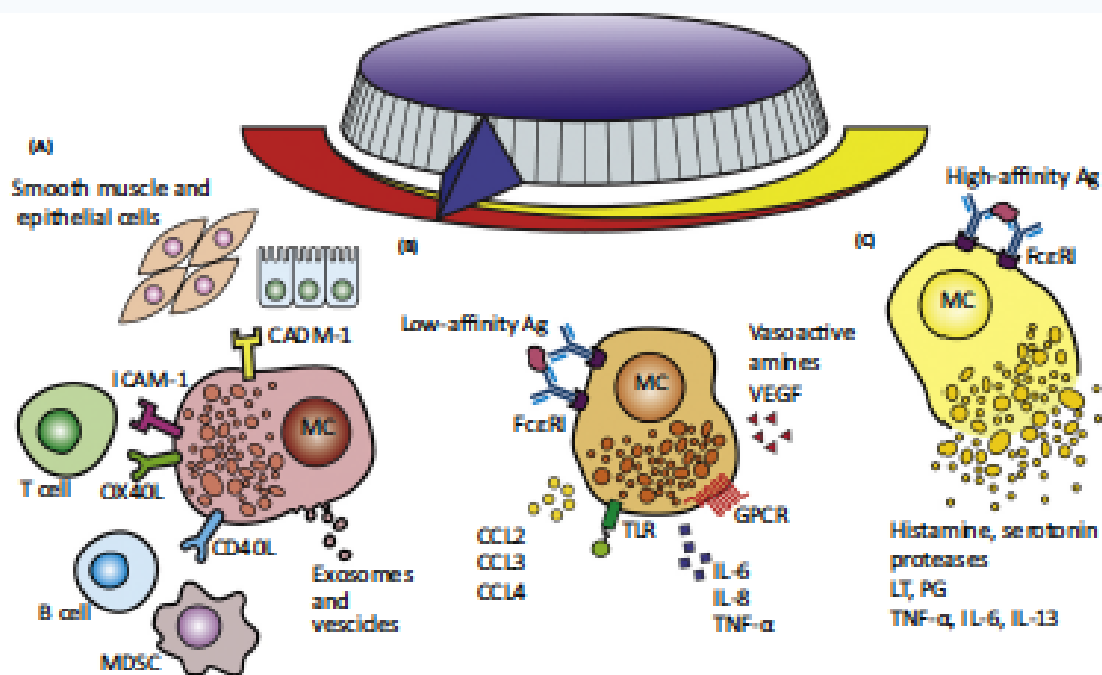
Quercetagenin



Myricetin

# MAST cell a Rheostat ?

Modulates Type and amplitude of innate and adaptive Immune



- ▶ Homeostatic function
- ▶ Cell-cell interactions
- ▶ Spontaneous mediator release
- ▶ Selective release of 'prestored' inflammatory mediators
- ▶ Selective release of 'neosynthesized' cytokines and/or chemokines
- ▶ Local reaction
- ▶ Massive degranulation and prolonged inflammation
- ▶ Systemic reaction
- ▶ Tissue 'remodeling'

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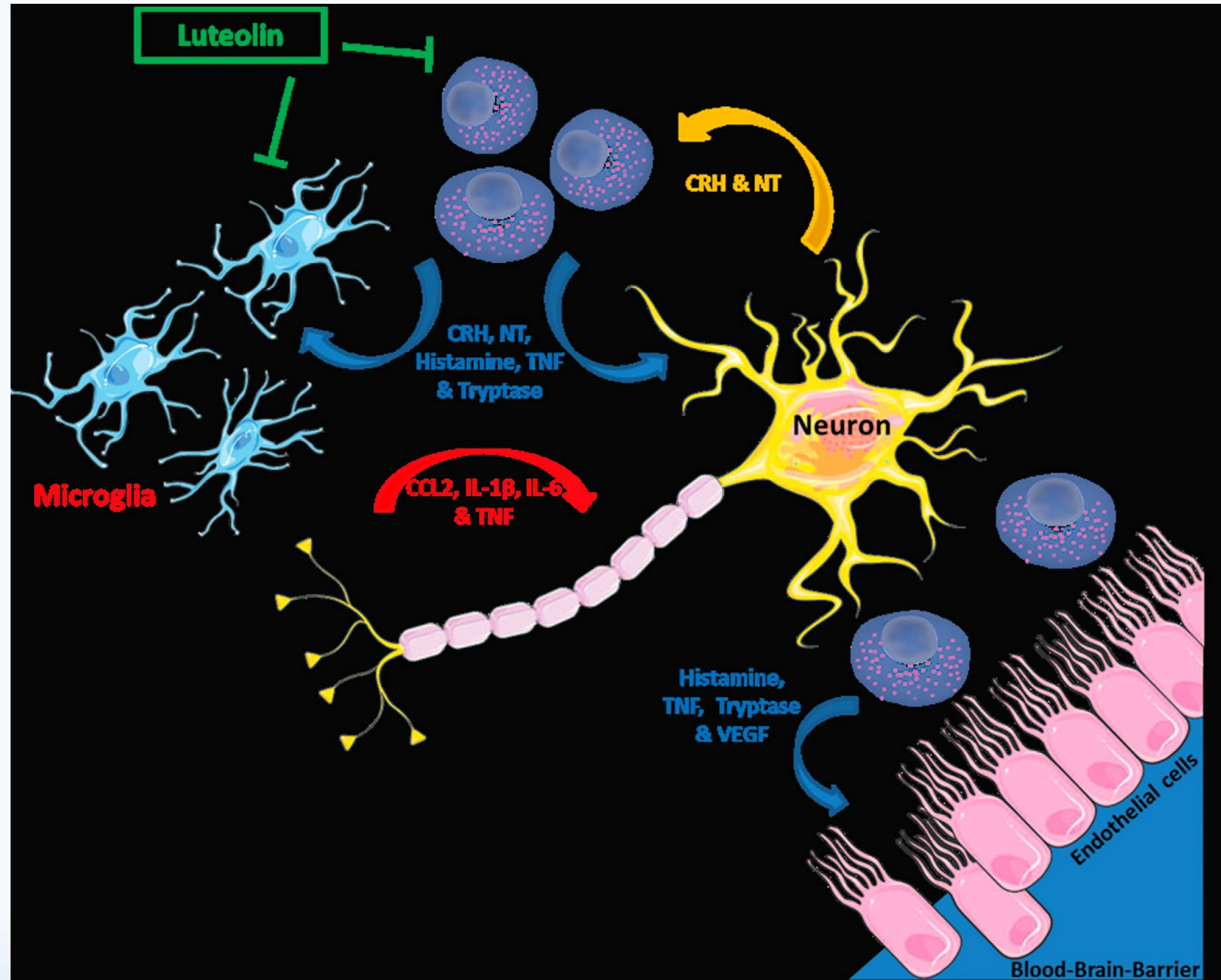
## Quercetin Is More Effective than Cromolyn in Blocking Human Mast Cell Cytokine Release and Inhibits Contact Dermatitis and Photosensitivity in Humans

Zuyi Weng<sup>1,2,3</sup>, Bodi Zhang<sup>1,2,3,5</sup>, Shahrzad Asadi<sup>1,4</sup>, Nikolaos Sismanopoulos<sup>1</sup>, Alan Butcher<sup>5</sup>, Xueyan Fu<sup>6</sup>, Alexandra Katsarou-Katsari<sup>7</sup>, Christina Antoniou<sup>7</sup>, Theoharis C. Theoharides<sup>1,2,3,8\*</sup>

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## Interactions among mast cells–microglia–neurons and the blood–brain barrier



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# Dendritic Cells vs. Viruses

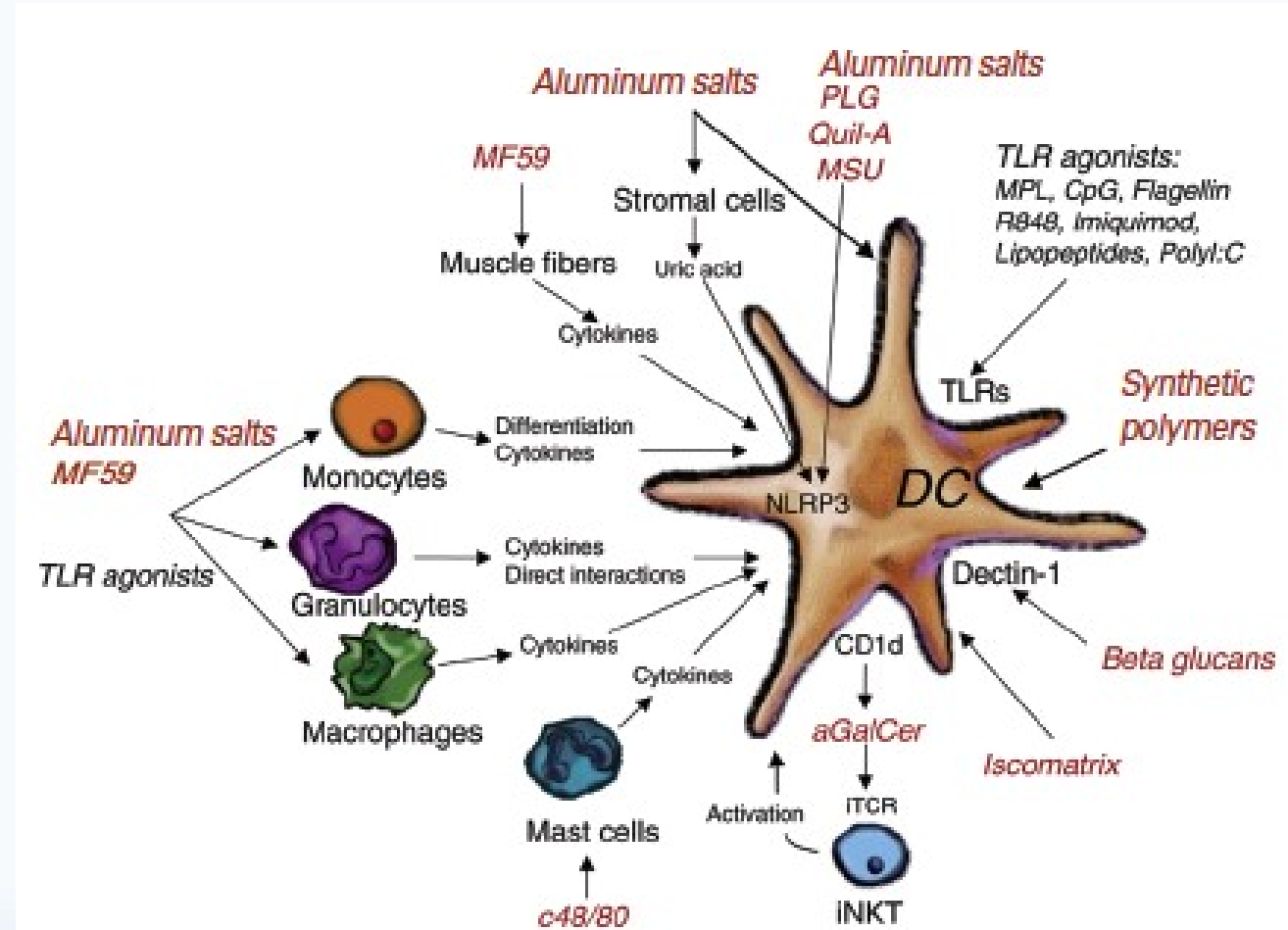
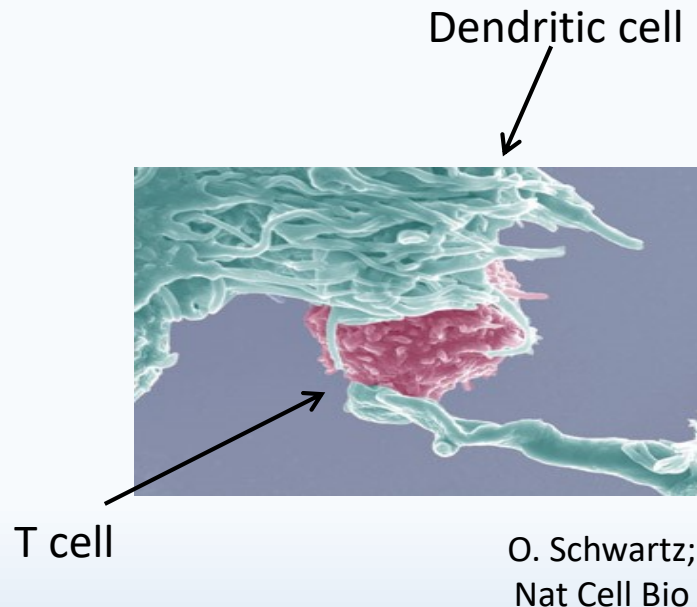
## Unintended Consequences of Inappropriate Immune Activation

### Many viruses use DC to facilitate spread:

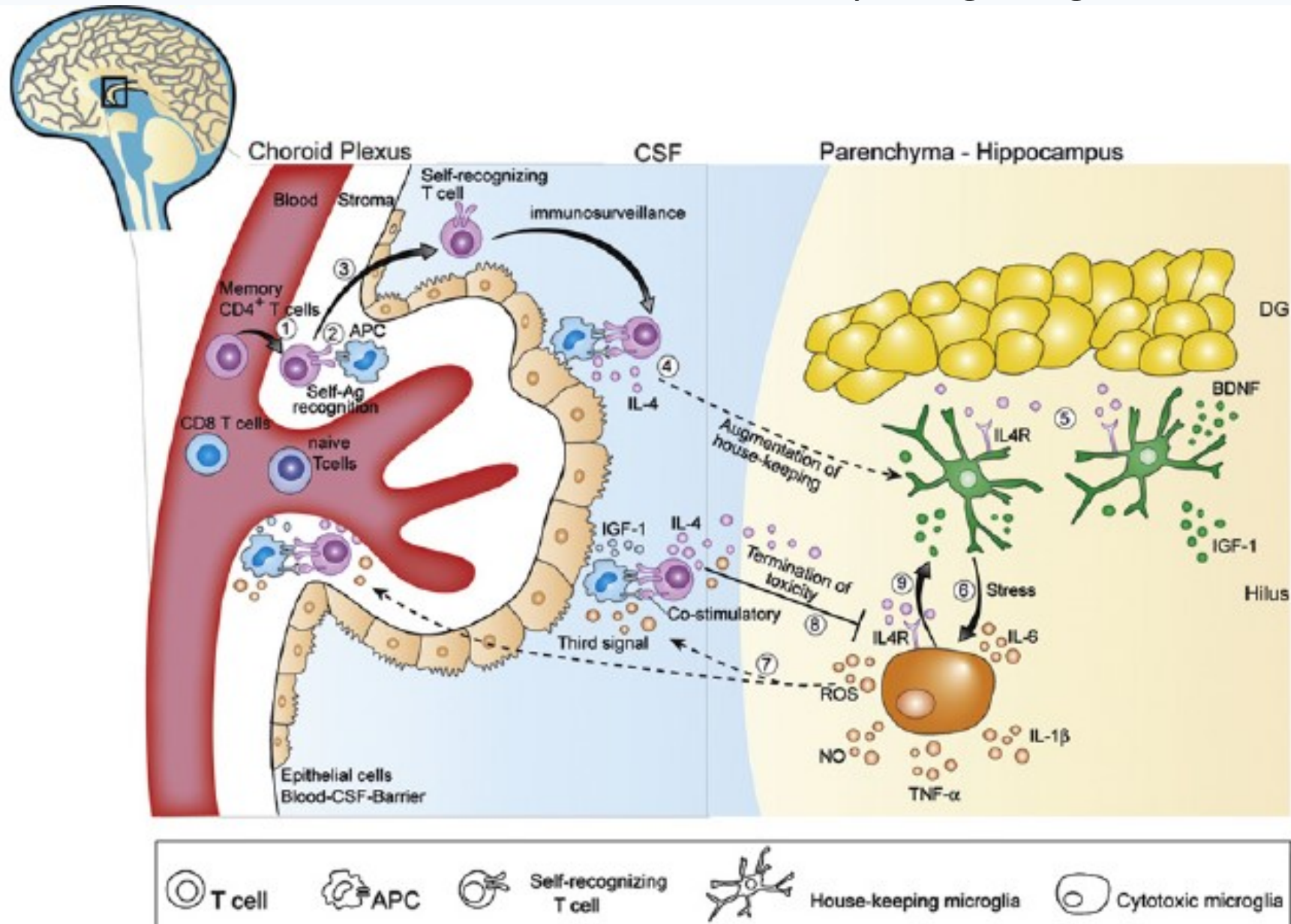
- Some viruses infect DC, then are transmitted to target cells
- Other viruses are transmitted by DC without infection

### Viruses can interfere with immune responses:

- Inhibit maturation and/or migration of immature DC
- Alter cytokine/chemokine production
- Cause apoptosis
- Impair (or enhance) DC function



# Brain Homeostasis Maintained by Danger Signals

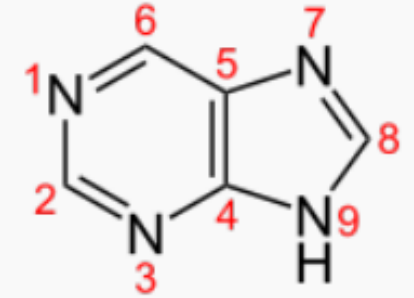
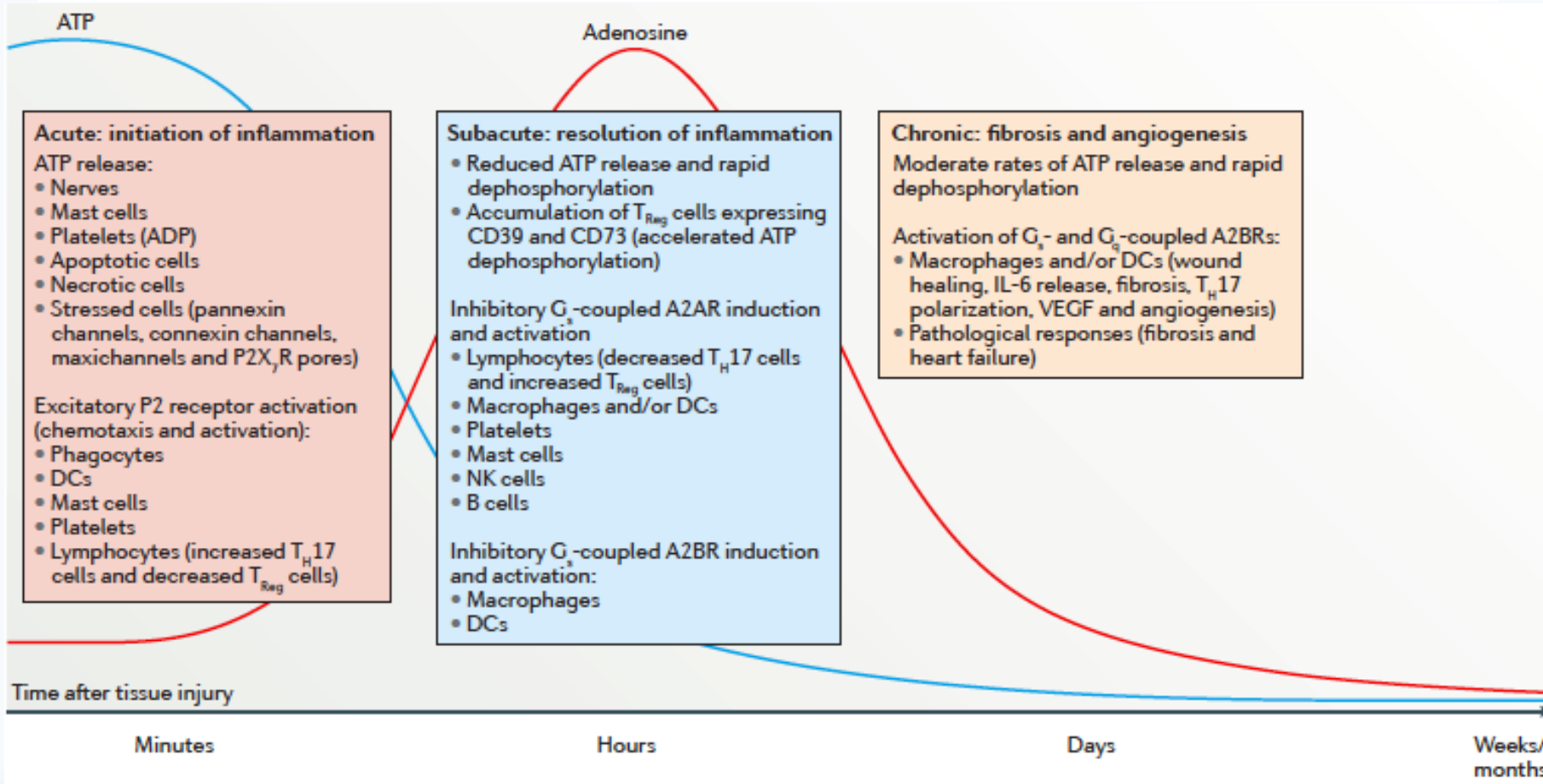


# Purinergic regulation of the immune system

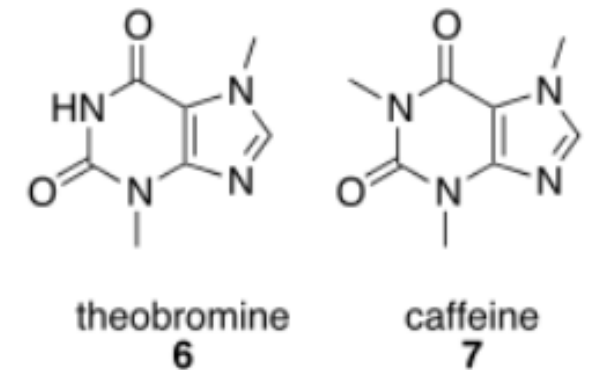
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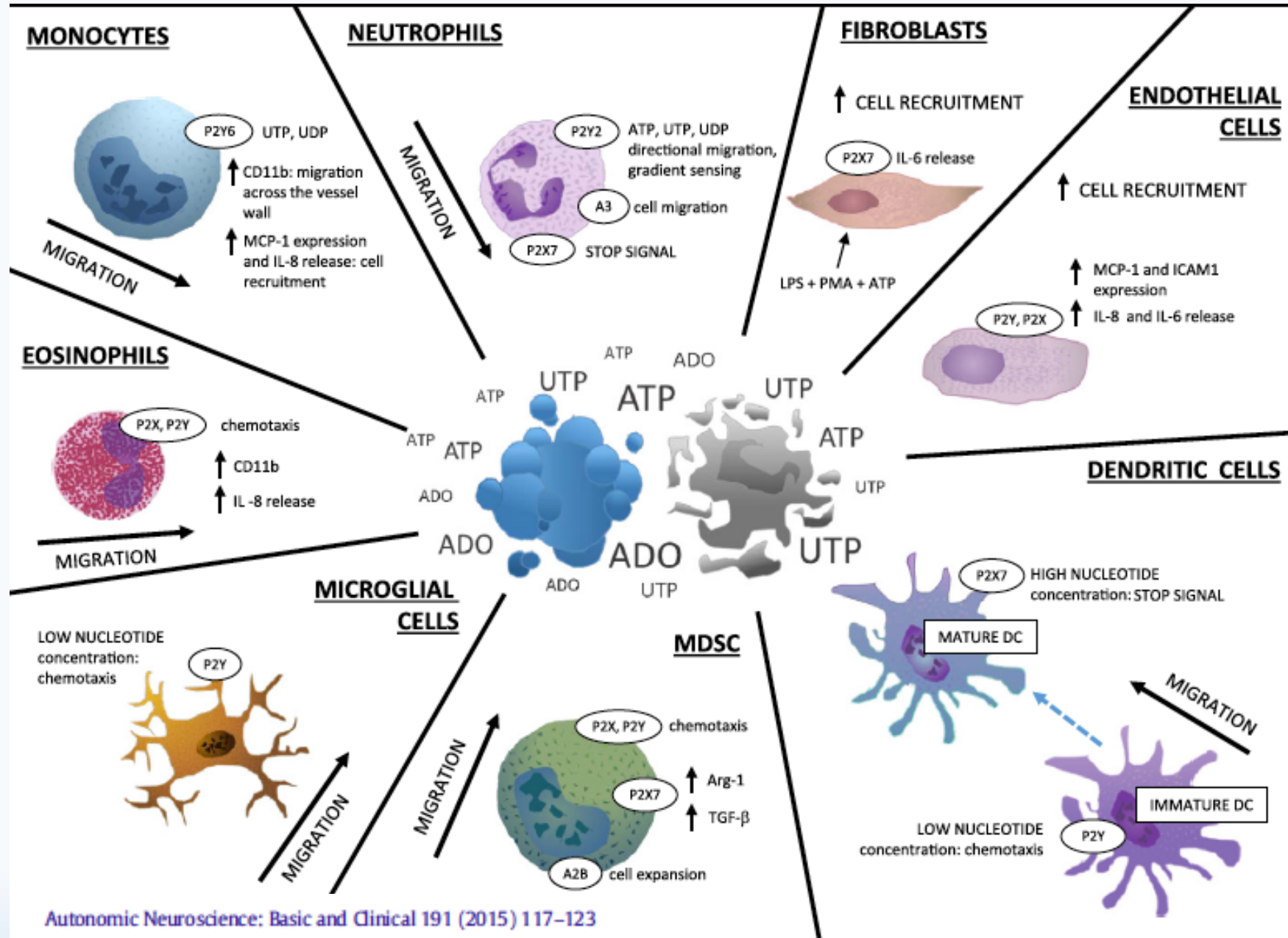


- Nitrogenous bases of DNA
- Deoxyadenosine
- Deoxyguanine





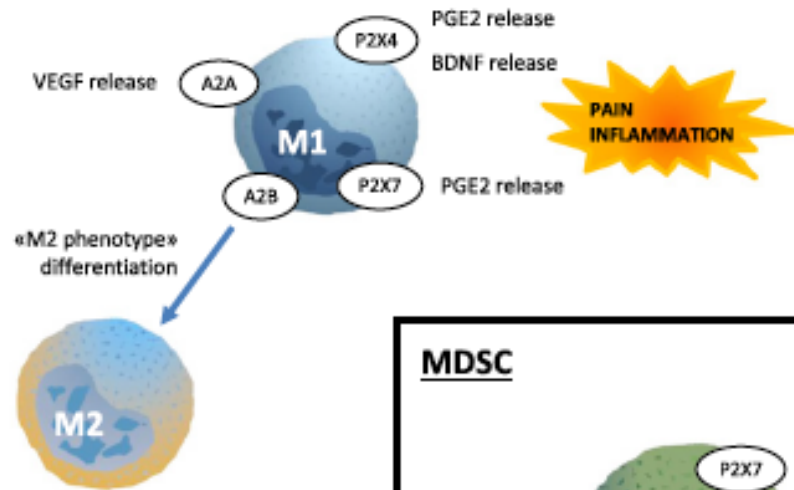
# Purinergic Signaling plays a critical Role In Chemotaxis of Multiple Cell Types



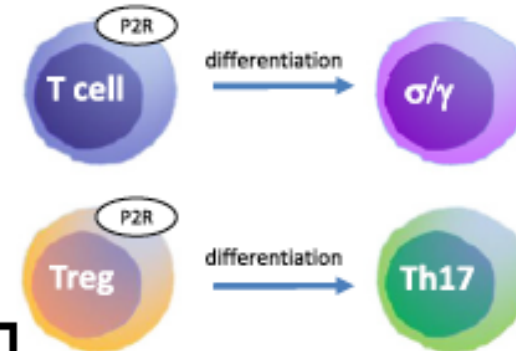


# Pathophysiology of Purinergic Signaling

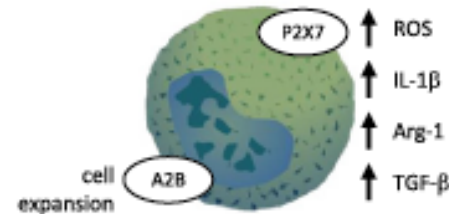
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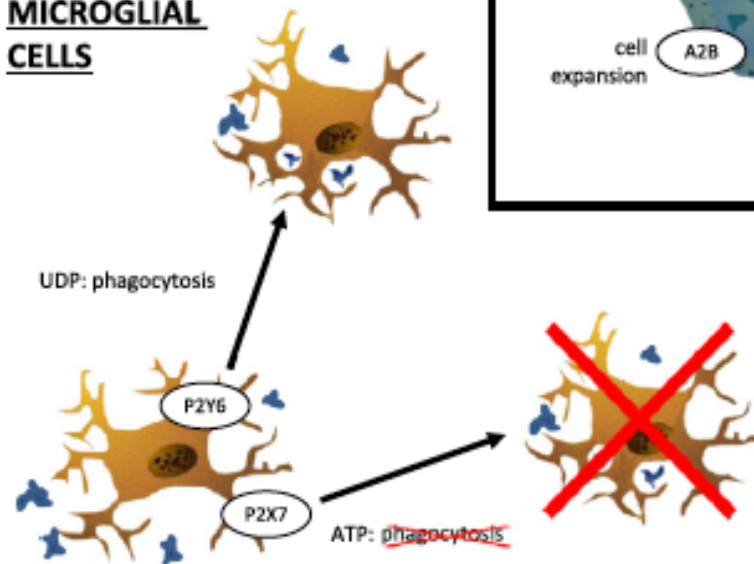
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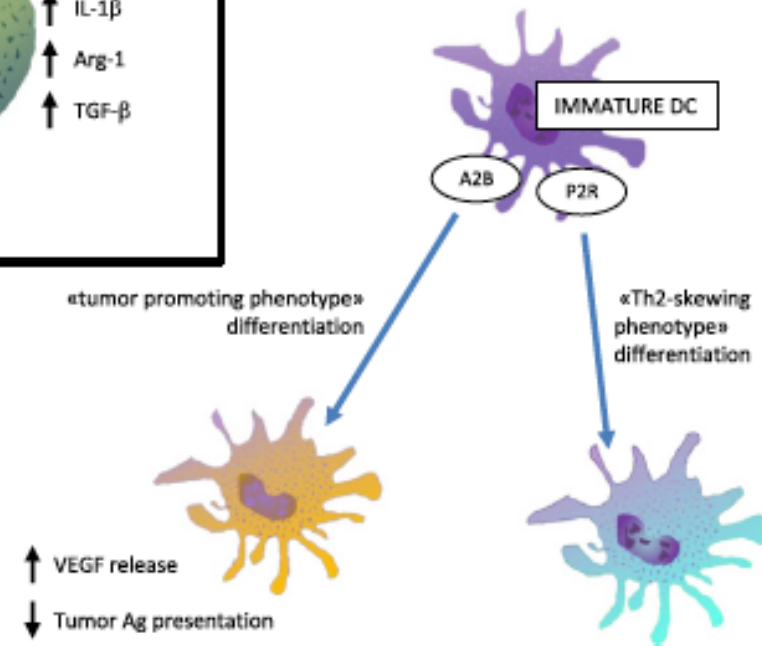
## MDSC



## MICROGLIAL CELLS



## DENDRITIC CELLS



## **CD39 and CD73 in immunity and inflammation**

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### **Highlights**

CD39 and CD73 are important for calibrating the duration, magnitude, and composition of the “purinergic halo” surrounding immune cells

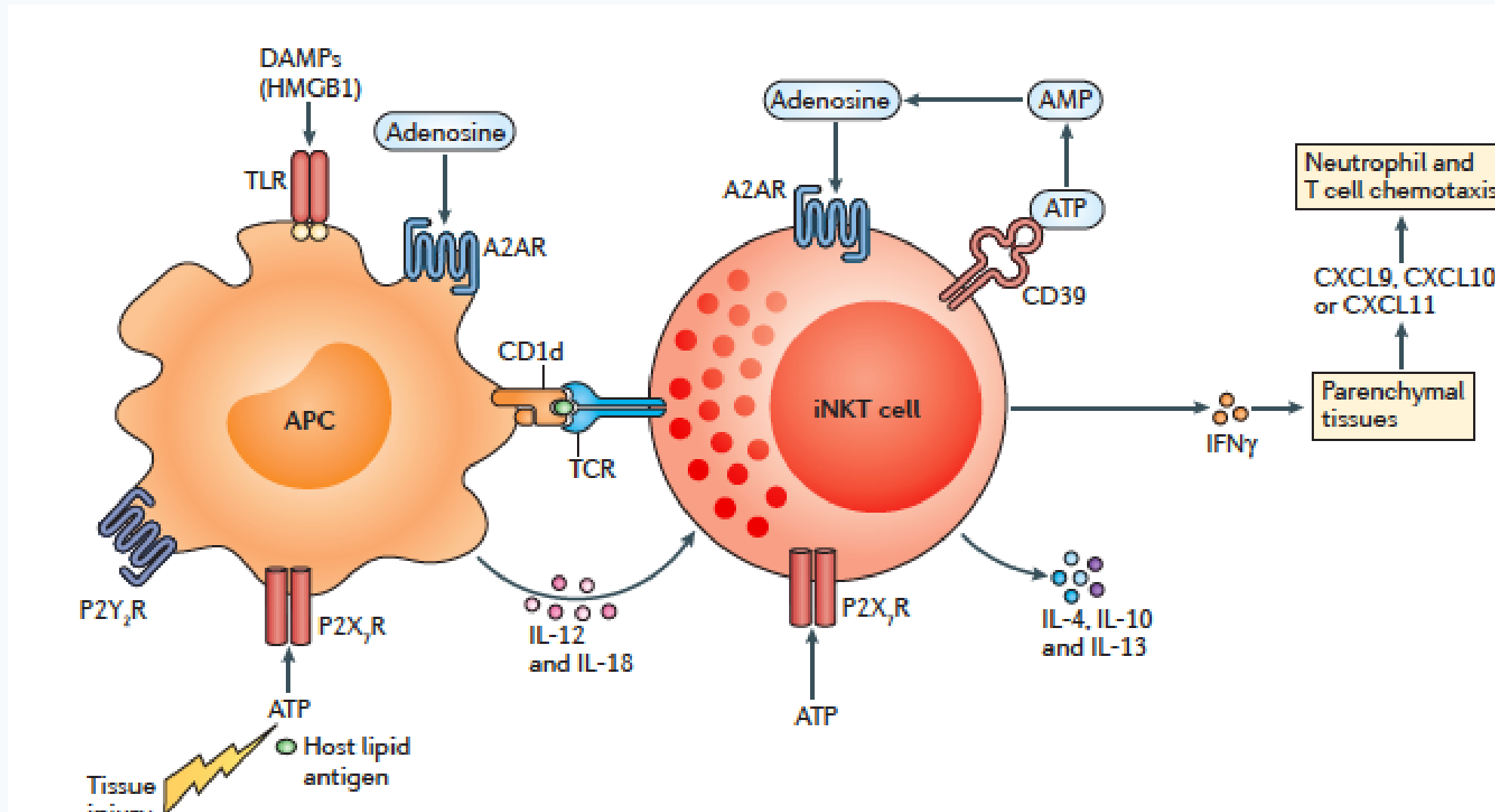
CD39 and CD73 degrade ATP, ADP and AMP to adenosine, they can be viewed as “immunological switches” that shift ATP-driven pro-inflammatory immune cell activity toward an anti-inflammatory state mediated by adenosine

CD39 and CD73 are highly expressed on the surface of Foxp3<sup>+</sup> Tregs and have been increasingly used as markers of Tregs

CD39 and CD73 are important for the immunosuppressive activity of Tregs

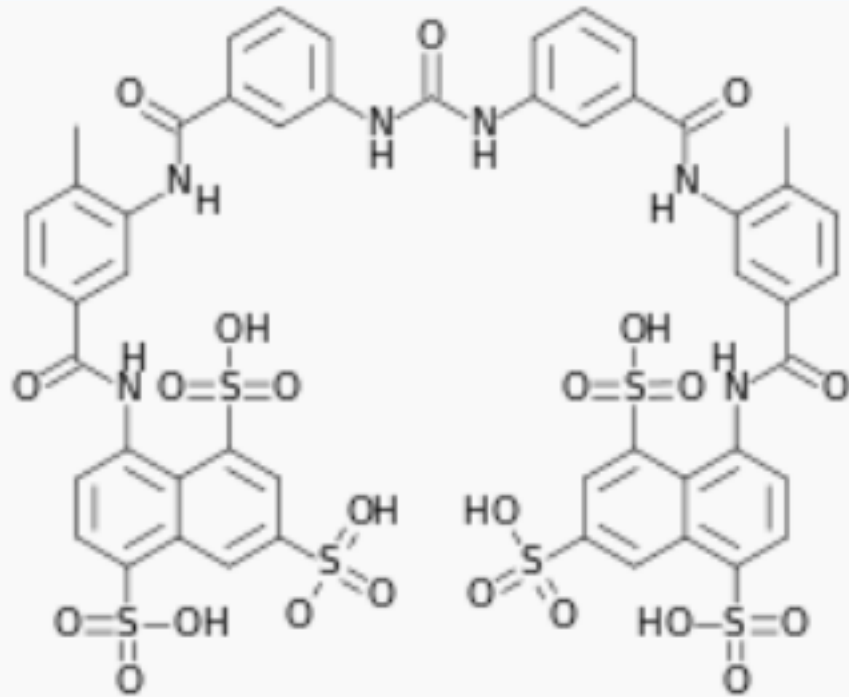
CD39 and CD73 generate an immunosuppressed environment, characterized by increased adenosine levels, which promotes the development and progression of cancer

# Adenosine produced by enzymatic Activity of CD39 implicated in progressive immunosuppression HIV/AIDS



P2Y receptor (P2YR) inhibitor (Suramin) critical response to Tissue injury

# Suramin: on WHO list of Essential Medicines needed in a Basic Health System



- Antiparasitic 1920s
- Potent RT inhibitor 1986
- P2Y Purinergic Receptor inhibitor
- Cancer therapy prostate cancer, HTLV-1 cancer Bladder Cancer
- inhibit the binding of growth factors (TGF-beta, EGF, PDGF to their receptors and thus antagonize the ability of these factors to stimulate growth of tumor cells

## Antiviral Research

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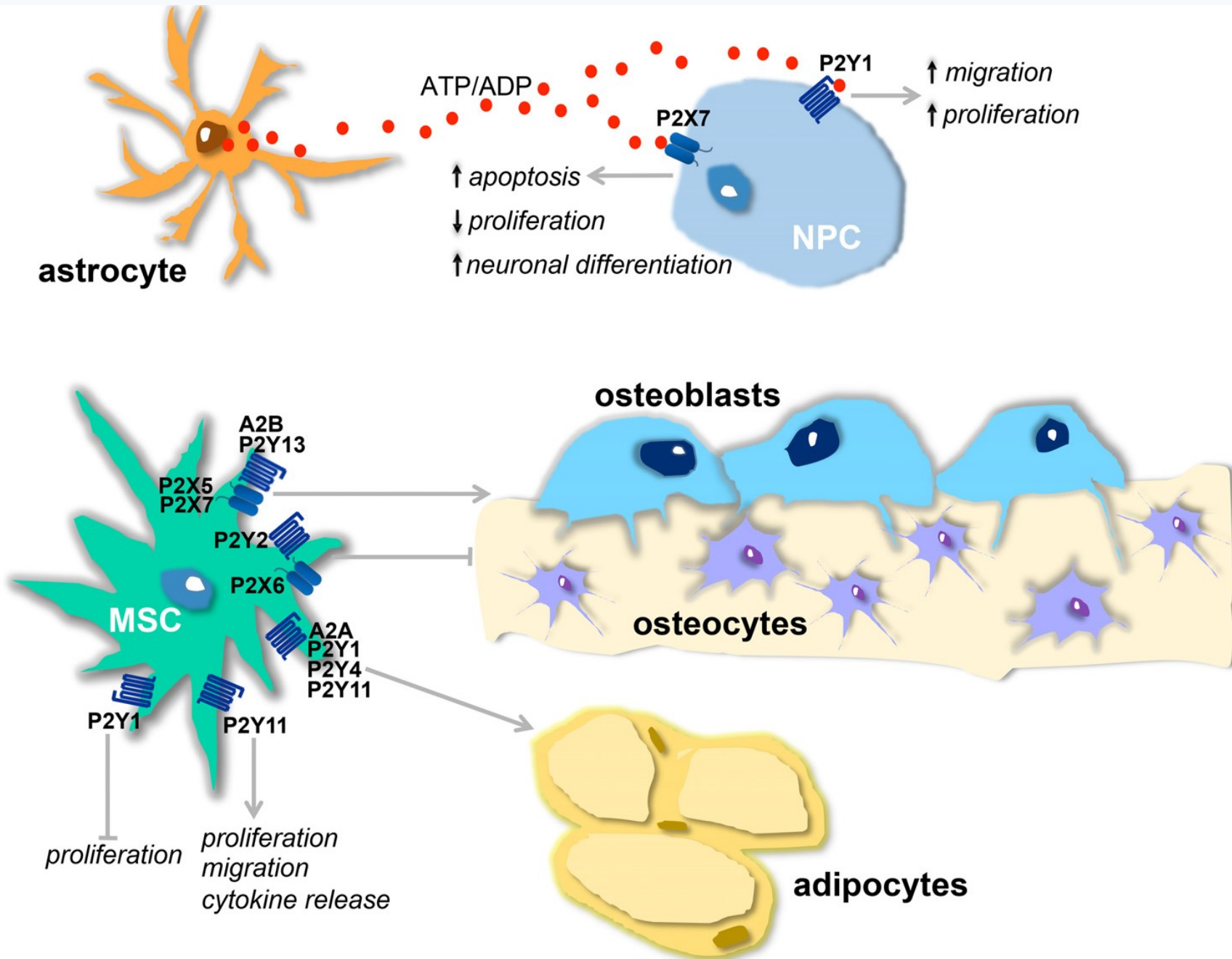
### Suramin in the treatment of AIDS: Mechanism of action

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# Purinergic signaling neural and Mesenchymal Stem Cell Maintenance and Differentiation



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### Review

# Cannabinoid receptor signaling in progenitor/stem cell proliferation and differentiation



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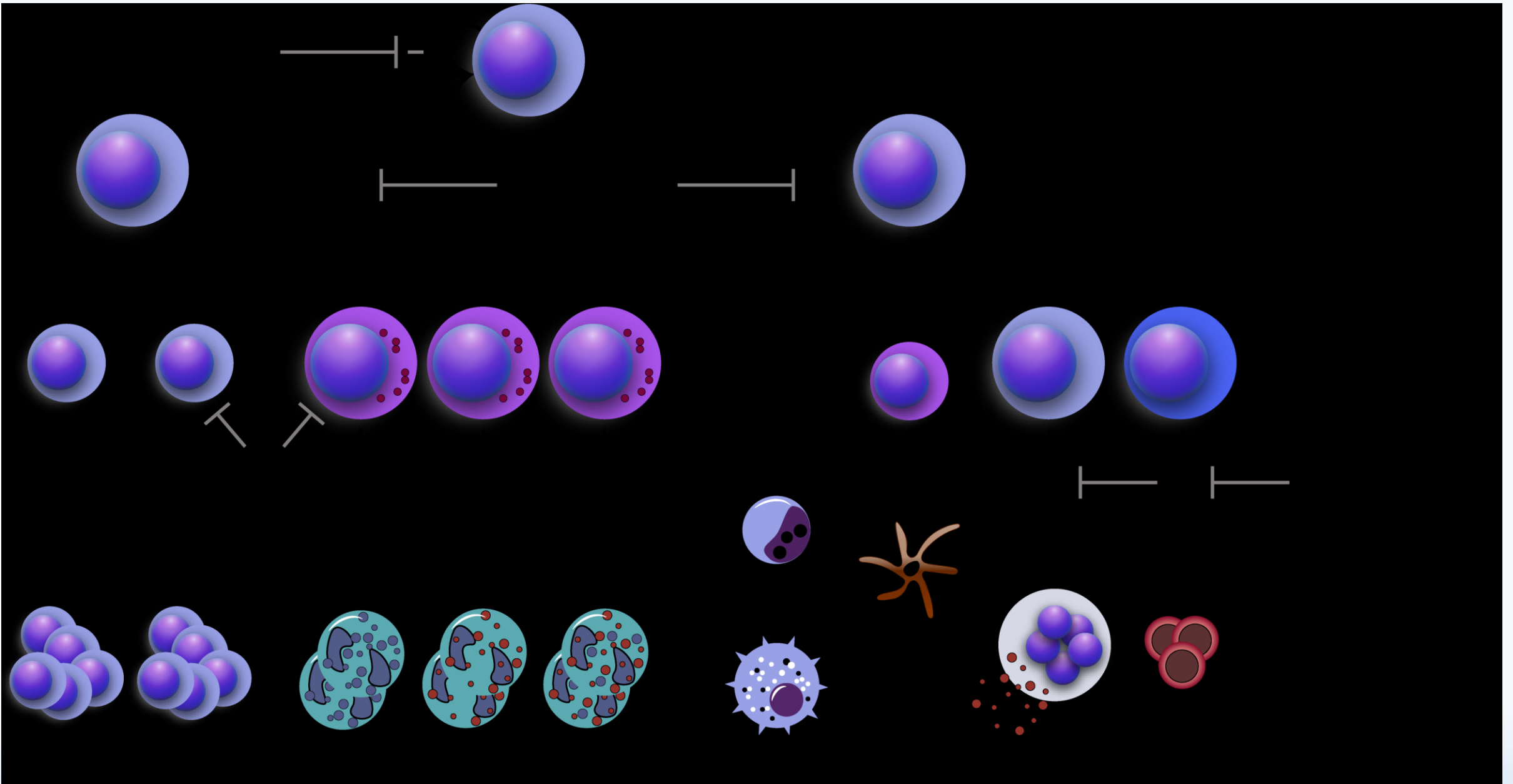
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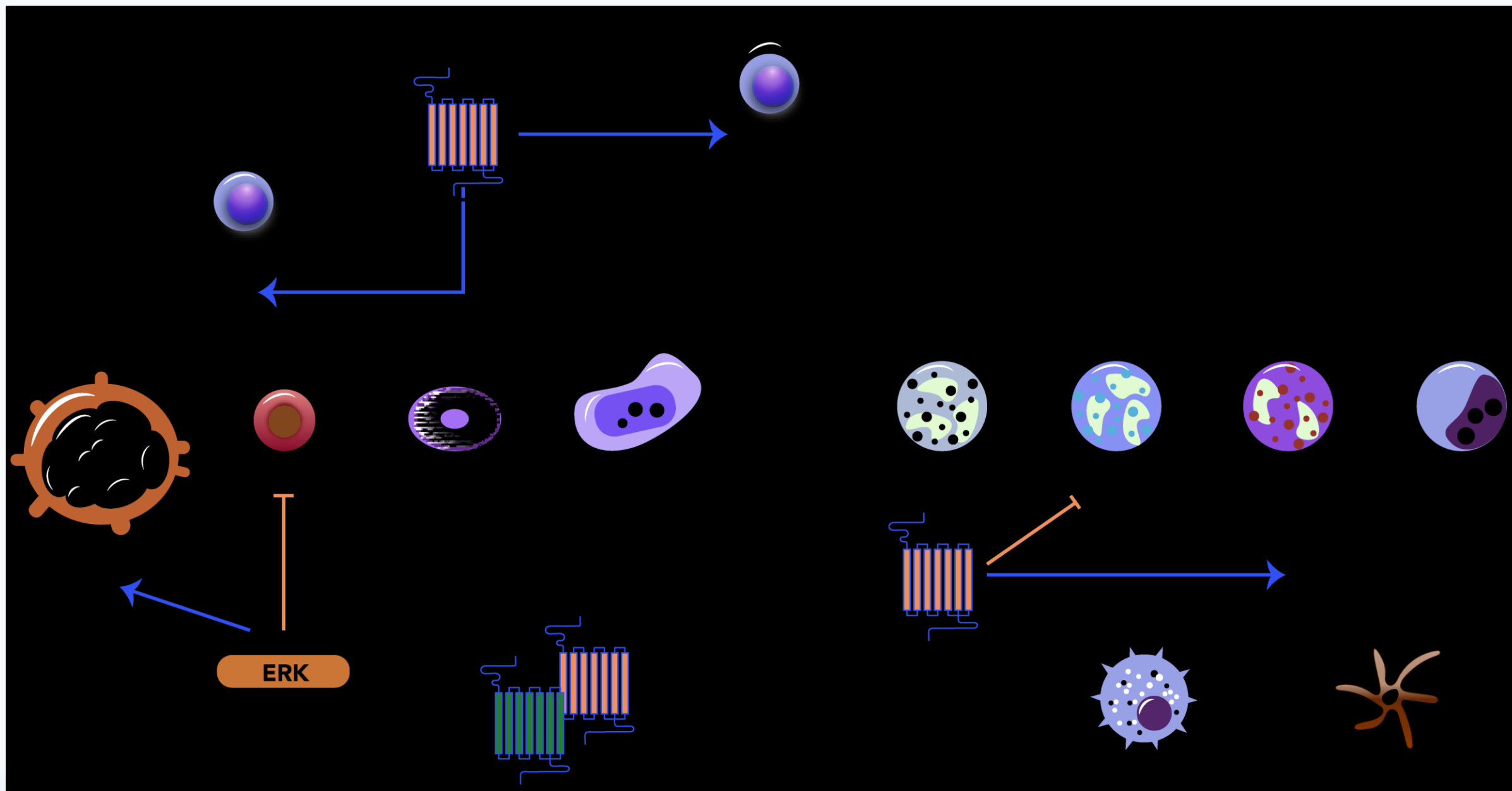
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# TGF- $\beta$ is a Master Regulator of the Hematopoietic Stem Cell

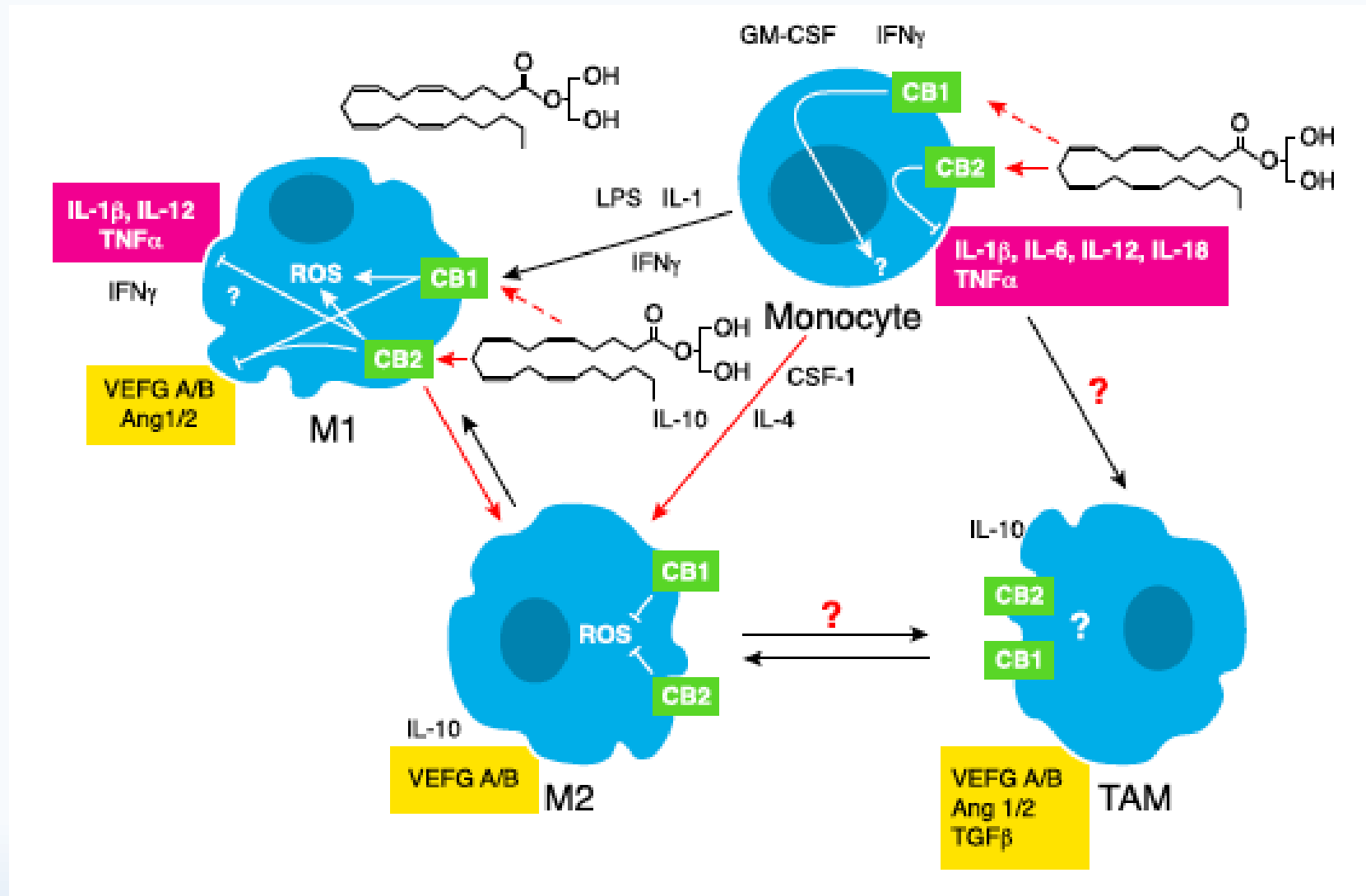


# Endocannabinoid System Regulates the Generation of Mononuclear Phagocytes



# Cannabinoid Receptor Activation of Macrophages

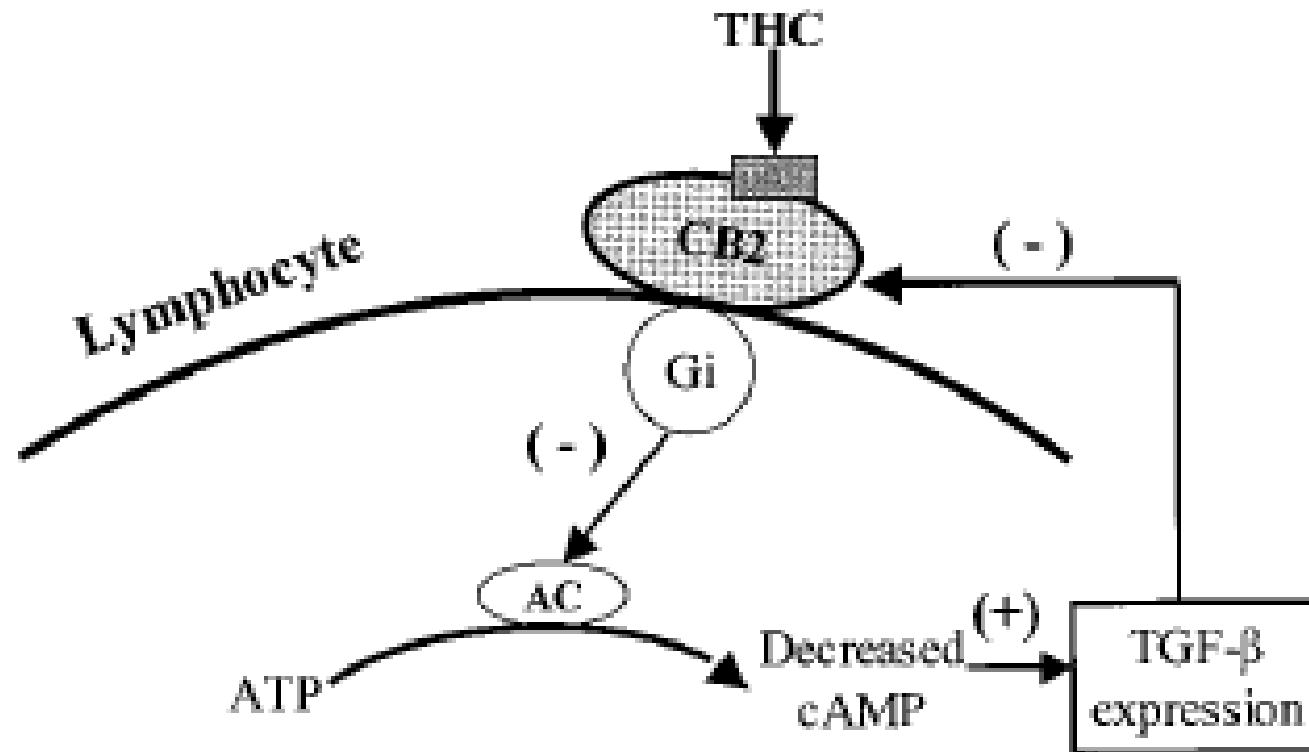
Is Purinergic Signaling the Driver of Development of Myelosuppressive (MDSC)/and Tumor associated Macrophages (TAM)?



# Autocrine and Paracrine Regulation of Lymphocyte CB2 Receptor Expression by TGF- $\beta$

Brian Gardner,<sup>\*,†,1</sup> Li X. Zu,<sup>\*,†,1</sup> Sherven Sharma,<sup>\*,†,‡</sup> Qian Liu,<sup>§,1</sup> Alexandros Makriyannis,<sup>§,1</sup> Donald P. Tashkin,<sup>†</sup> and Steven M. Dubinett<sup>\*,†,‡,2</sup>

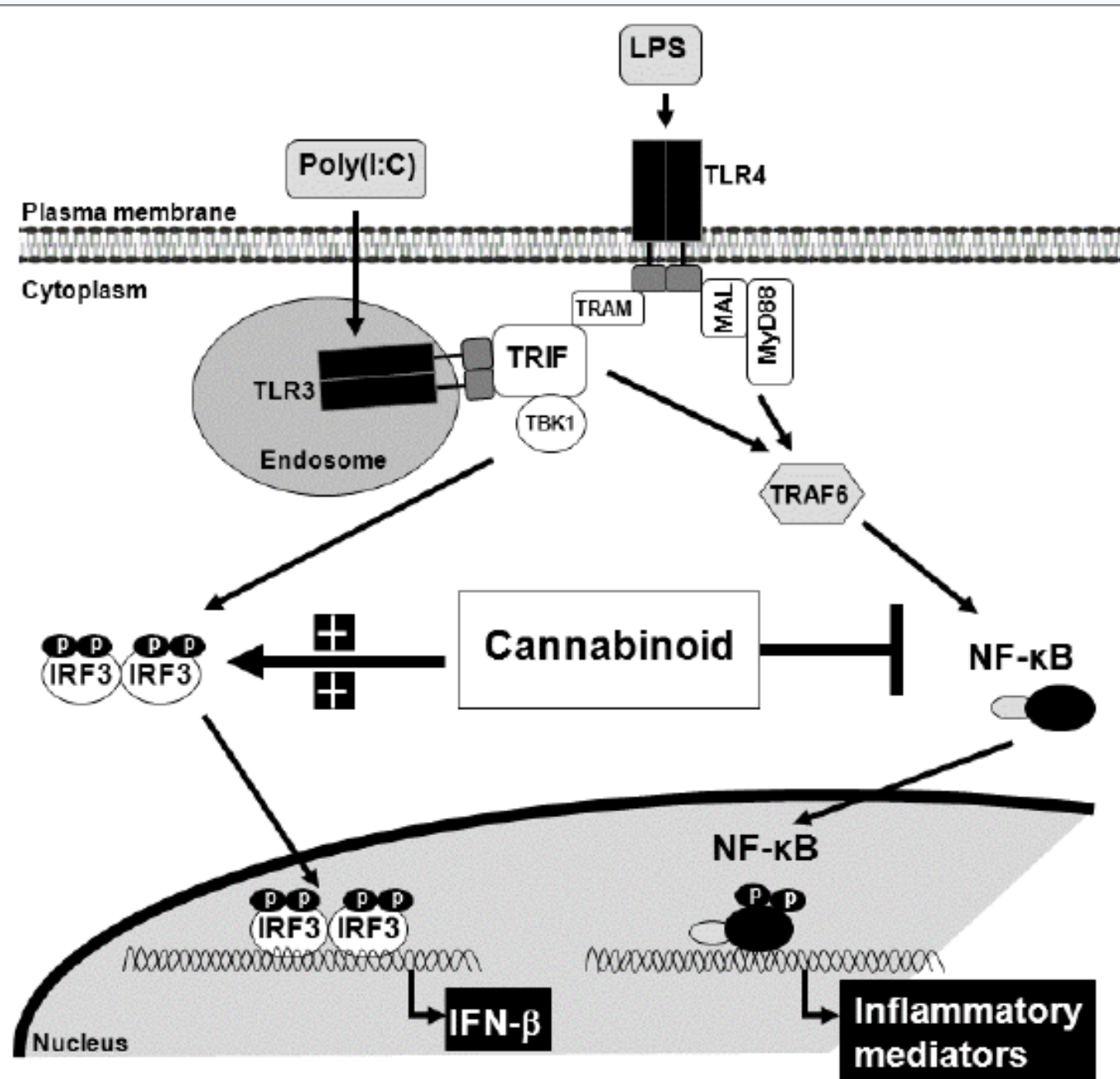
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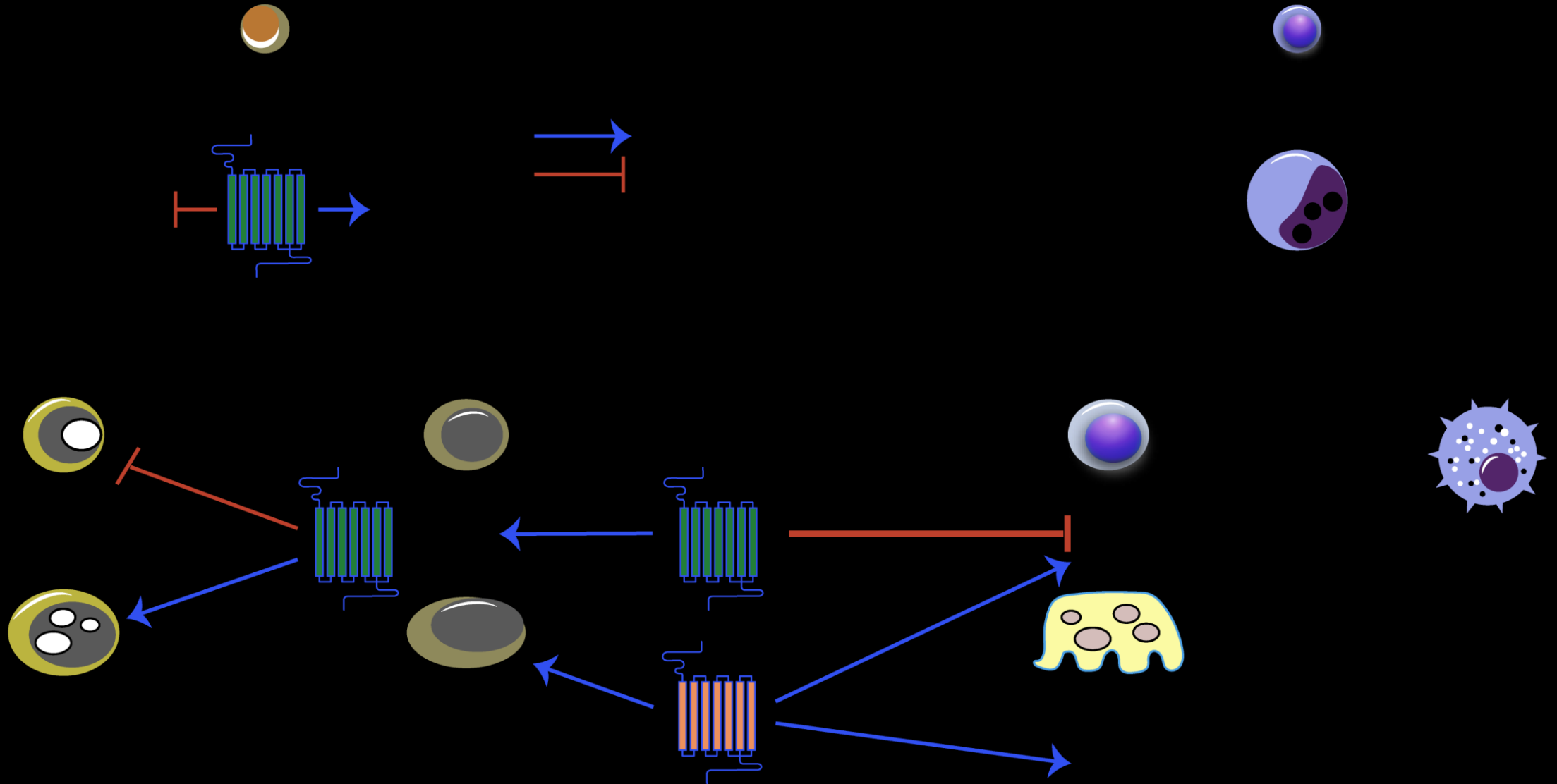
Induction of CB2 on Lymphocytes is THC dependent



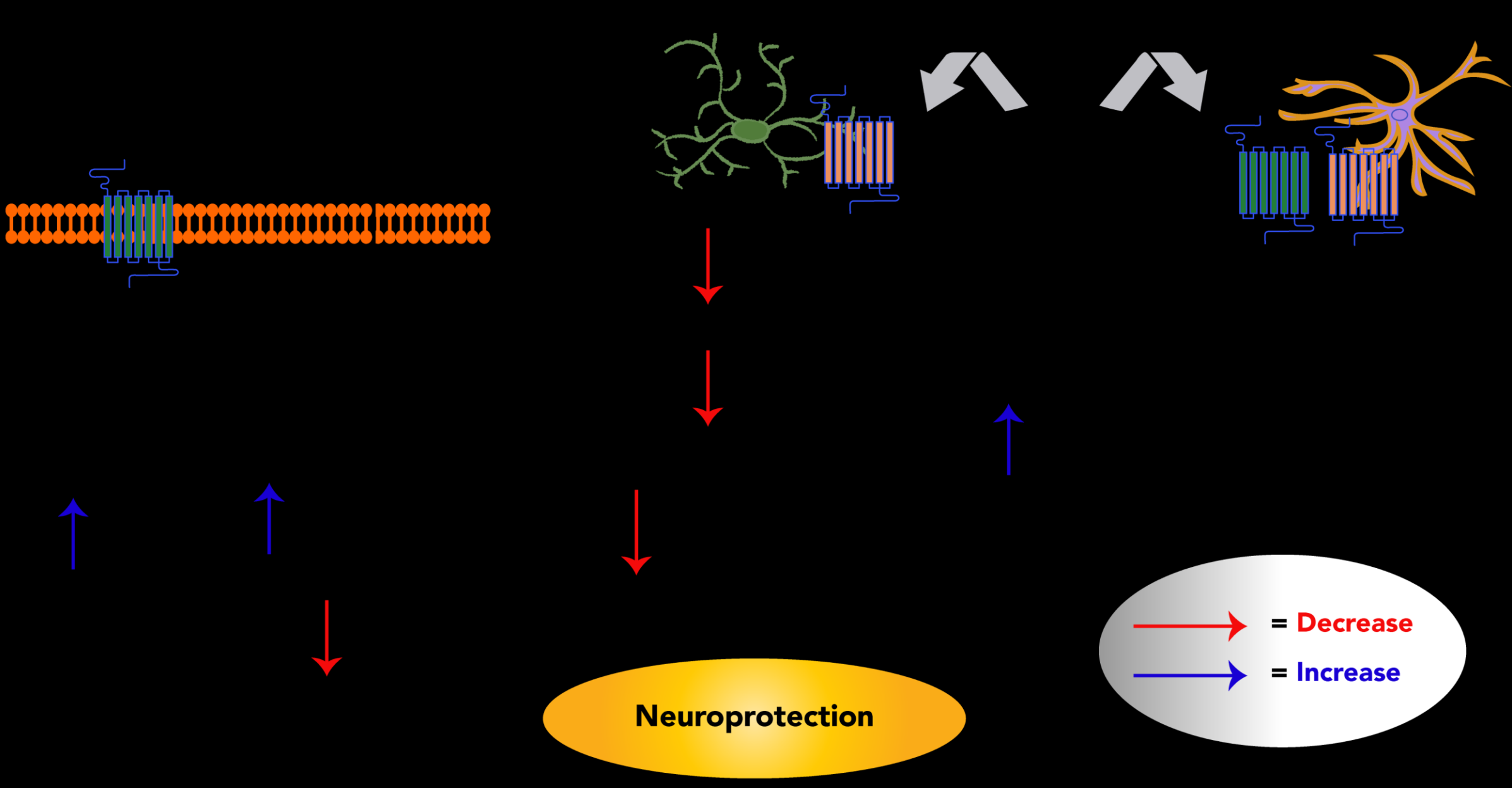
# Cannabinoids are Anti-Viral and Reduce Neuroinflammation



# CB2 Is associated with Chronic inflammation of the nervous system, Cardiovascular and Bone Disorders



# Neuroprotection by Endocannabinoid Modulation in Neurodegenerative Disease

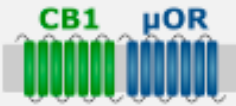


# Cannabinoid Receptor Dimers

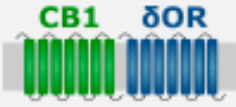


## Partner Receptors & Conditions

### Opioid Receptors

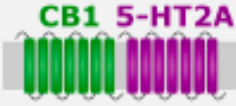


Tolerance to pain-blocking effects of opiates



Anxiety and depression in chronic pain

### Serotonin Receptors



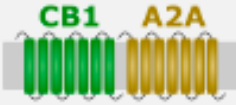
Memory impairments  
Anxiety

### Dopamine Receptors



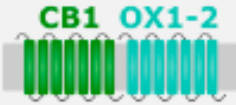
Parkinson's Disease

### Adenosine Receptors



Huntington's Disease

### Orexin Receptors



Appetite, sleep, and pain

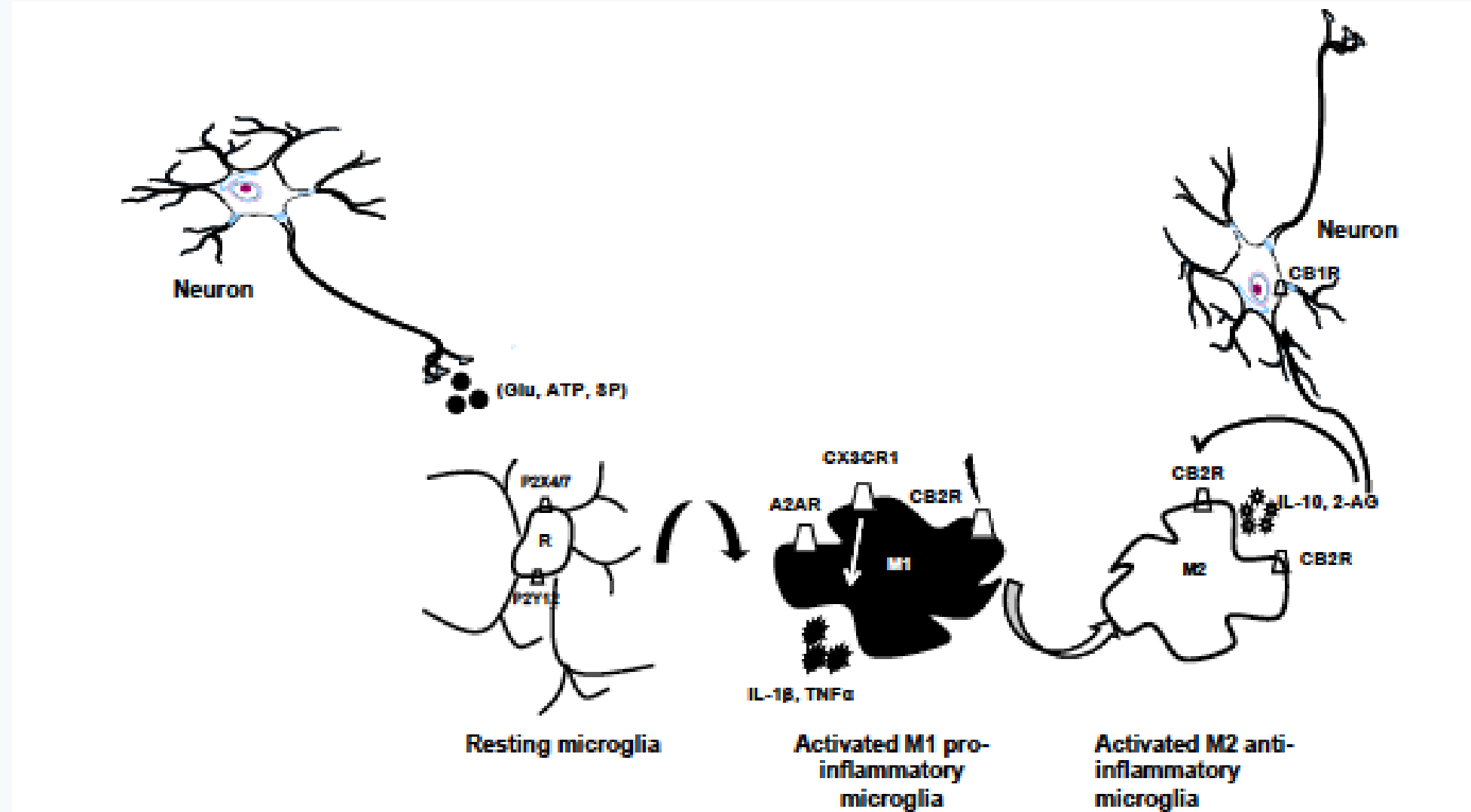
### Chemokine Receptors



Tumor metastasis

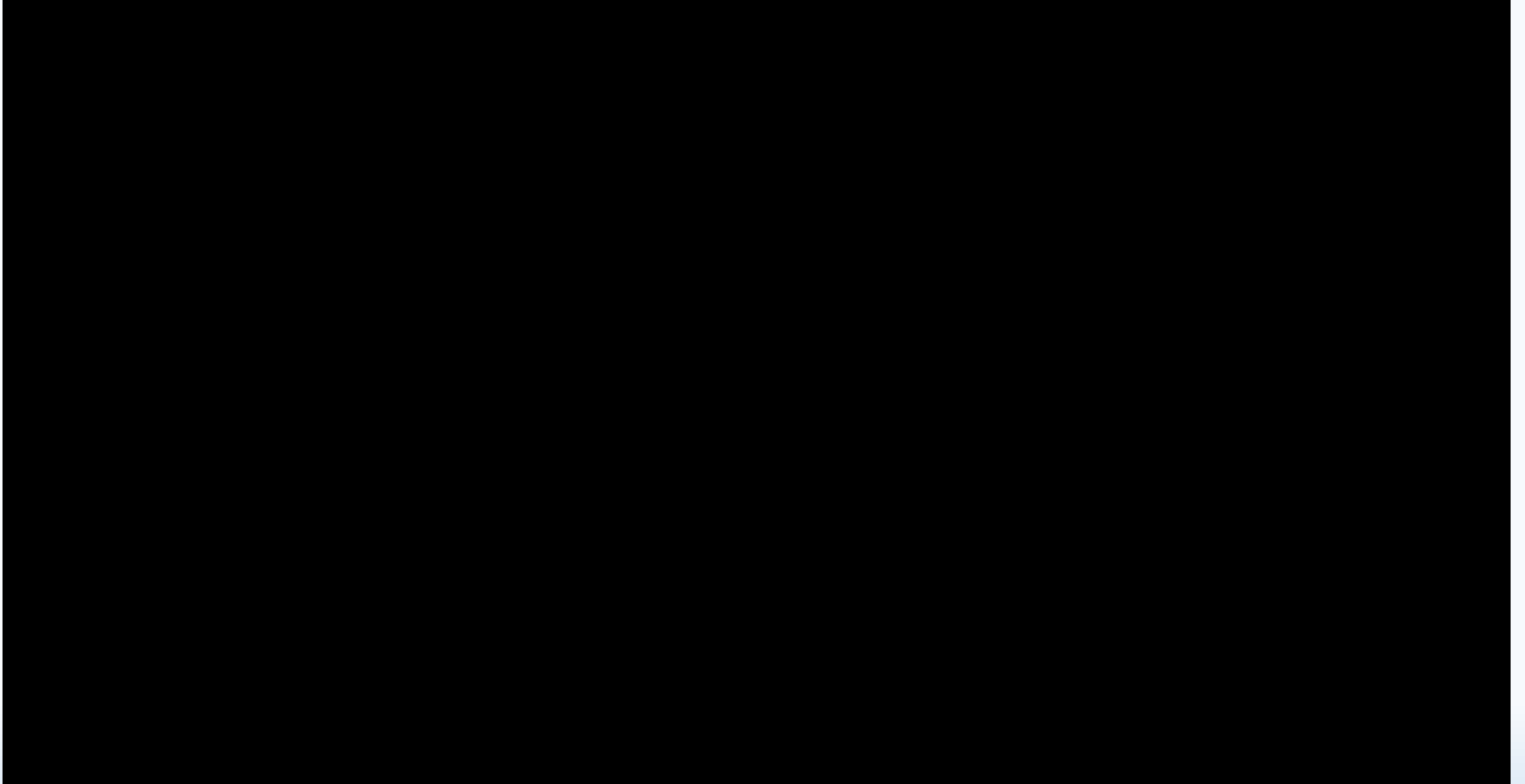
- Tolerance to pain-blocking effects of opiates
- Depression and anxiety in chronic pain
- Negative effects of cannabis on memory
- Parkinson's and Huntington's Disease
- Cancer cell metastasis

## Crosstalk between Purinergic receptors and cannabinoid Receptors regulates Microglia





# Plant Derived- Phytocannabinoids



# Phyto-cannabinoids Dampen Tissue Injury to Prevent Progression of Neurodegenerative Disease and Cancer

Neurotrauma

Ischaemia

Major Depression

Alzheimer's Disease

Parkinson's Disease

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis

Multiple Sclerosis

Cytokines

Chemokines

Growth Factors

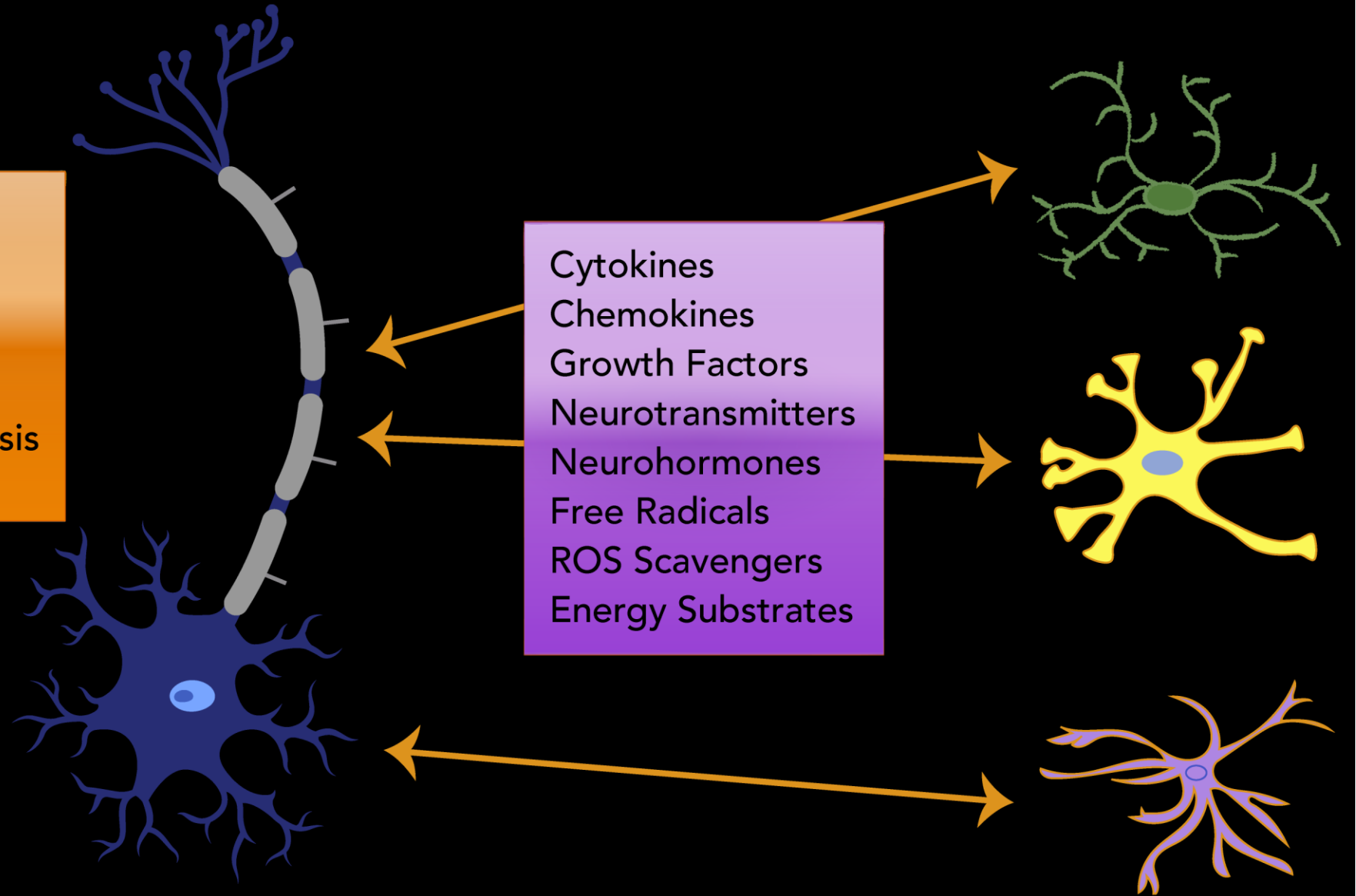
Neurotransmitters

Neurohormones

Free Radicals

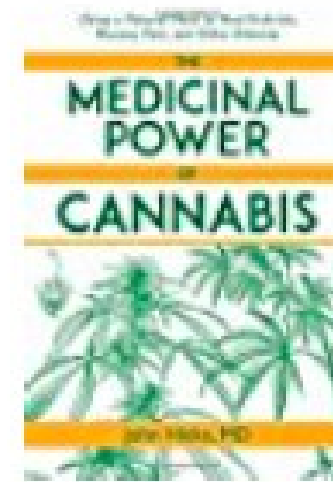
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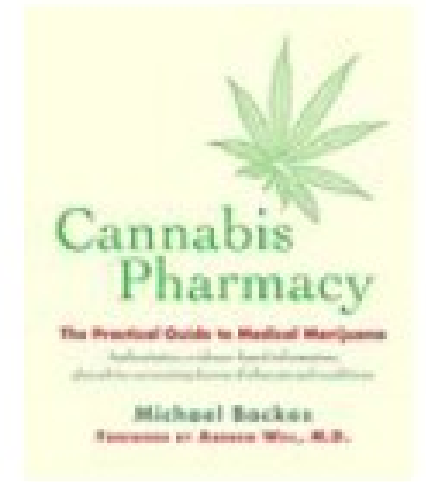


# Restoring Gut Homeostasis

- Cannabinoids/EndoCannabinoids
- Bone Broth organixx.com
- Camels Milk
- BRAVO Yogurt Probiotic /Restore
- Essential Oils



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<b>FOUND IN</b> Pine, Dill, Parsley, Basil, Rosemary	<b>FOUND IN</b> Mango, Thyme, Lemongrass, Hops	<b>FOUND IN</b> Juniper, Rosemary, Fruit Rinds, Peppermint,

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# Summary /Conclusion

The endocannabinoid system is involved in immunoregulation and neuroprotection.

Cannabinoid receptors crosstalk with Purinergic Receptors

Dysregulation of Endocannabinoid and Purinergic signaling by Overstimulation of Immune system by vaccines containing retroviruses and toxins (AL ,Glyphosate) is causative for cancer Autoimmune neuroimmune diseases

Lipid mediators of the Endocannabinoid System and their receptors exert pleiotropic and complex immunoregulatory effects.

Endocannabinoids are master regulators of the innate adaptive-immune axis.

The effect of endocannabinoids on the orchestrators of the immune response, the monocyte/macrophage, is a key therapeutic target to modulate sterile inflammation and protect tissues from damage from excessive inflammatory mediators.

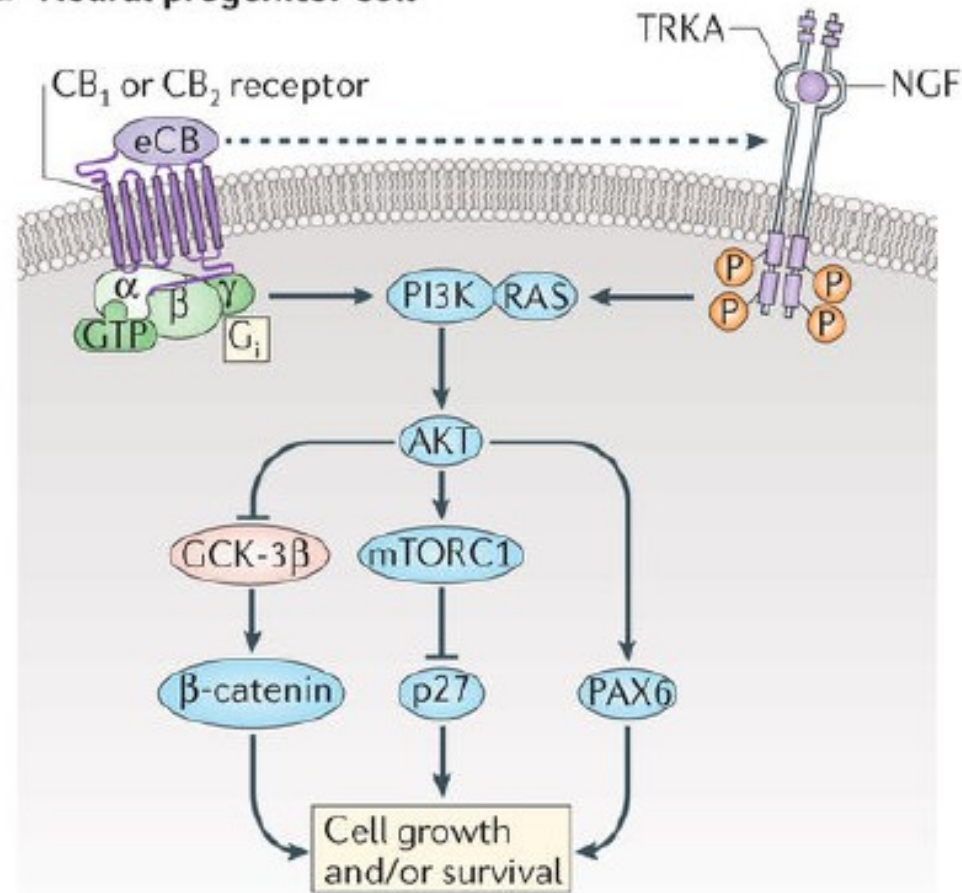
Combination therapies using Suramin (and other modulators of purinergic signaling) and cannabinoids can be curative therapies for 21<sup>st</sup> Century AIDS

# Toxicity, Efficacy, and Pharmacology of Suramin in Adults With Recurrent High-Grade Gliomas

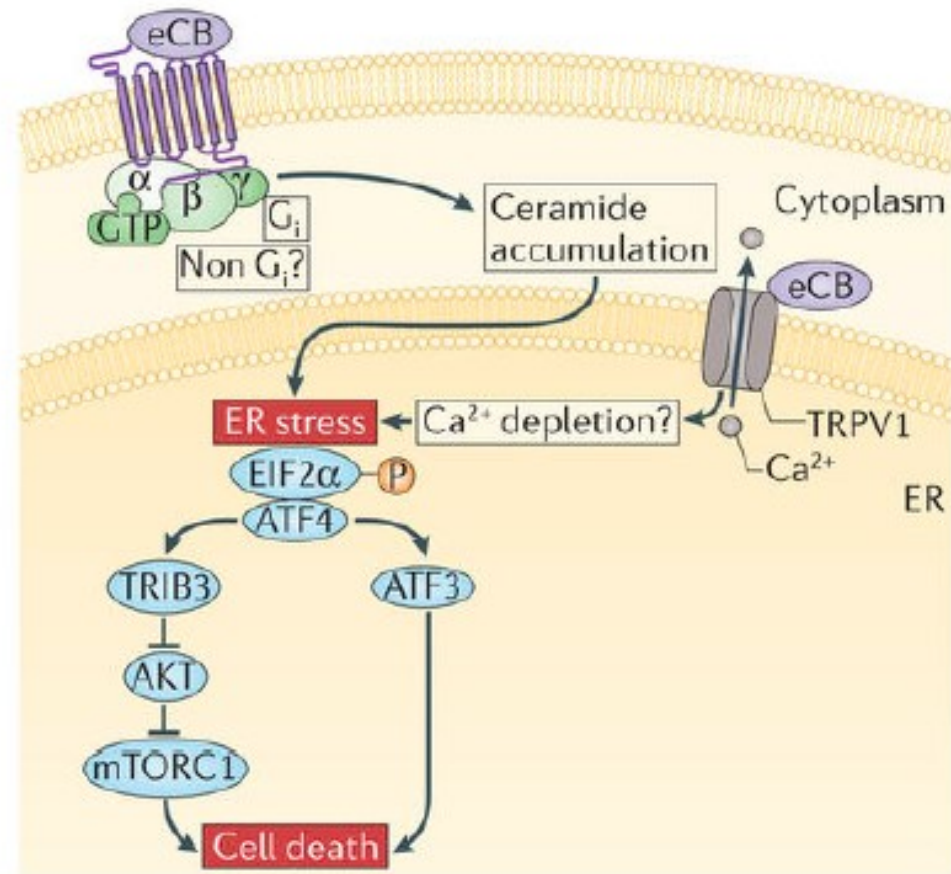
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## Dysregulation of cannabinoid receptor signalling in glioma cells.

**a** Neural progenitor cell



**b** Glioma cell



Programming of neural cells by (endo)cannabinoids: from physiological rules to emerging therapies

*Nature Reviews Neuroscience* 15, 786–801 (2014)