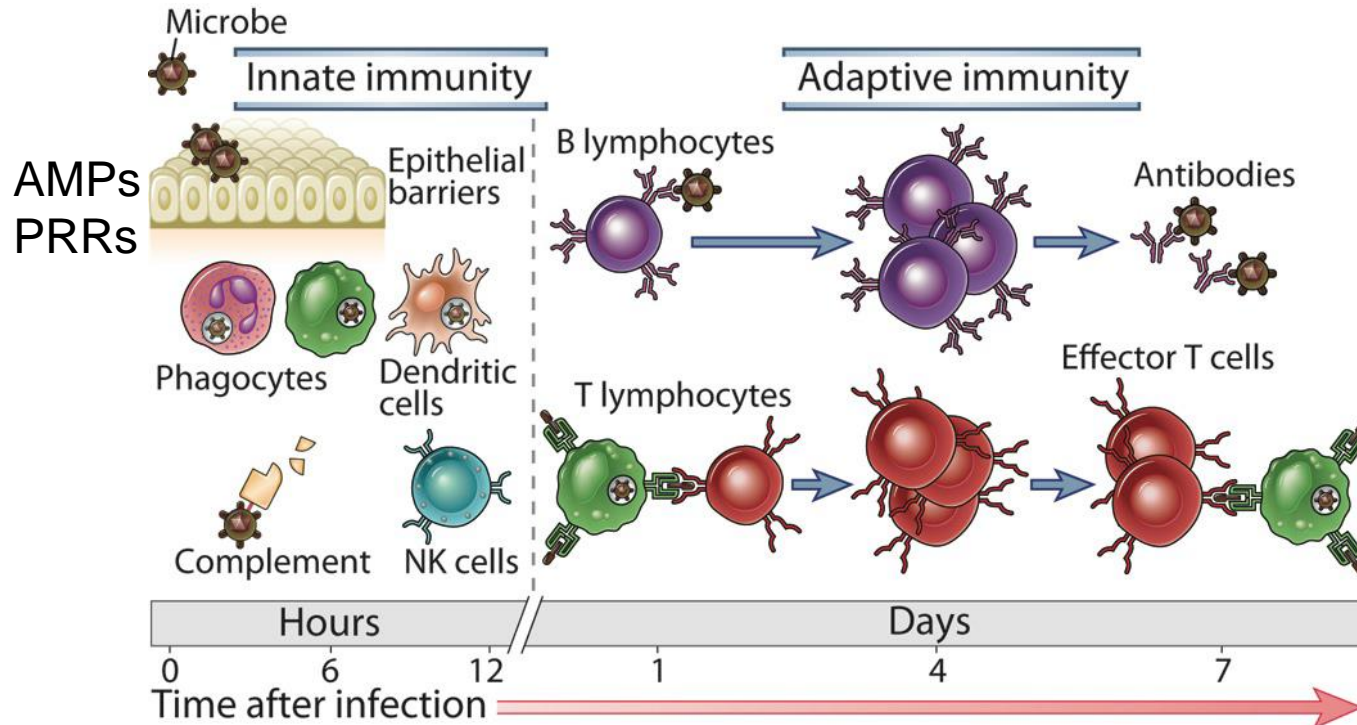


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# Immune system

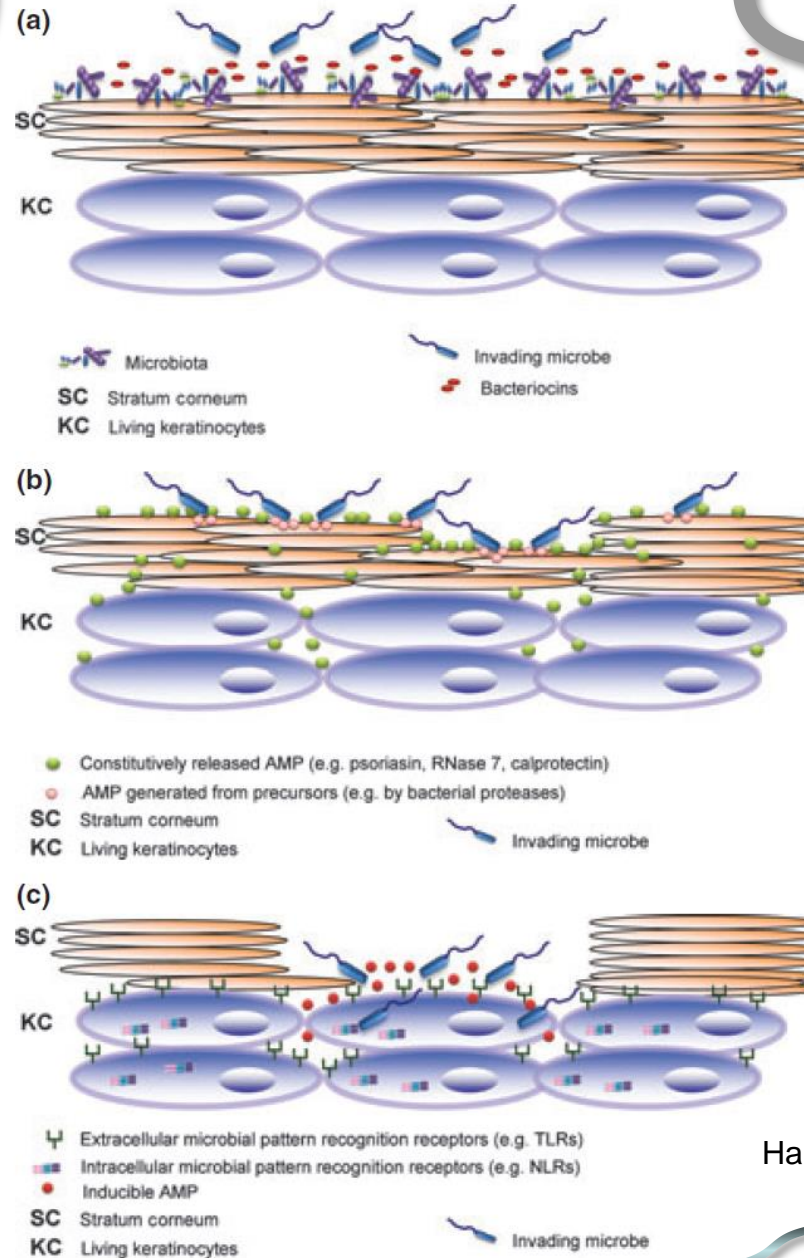


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Innate immune system:  
first line of host defense against microbes

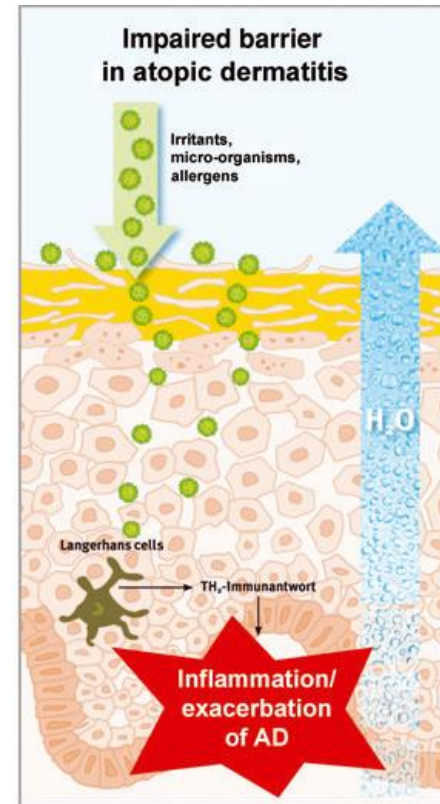
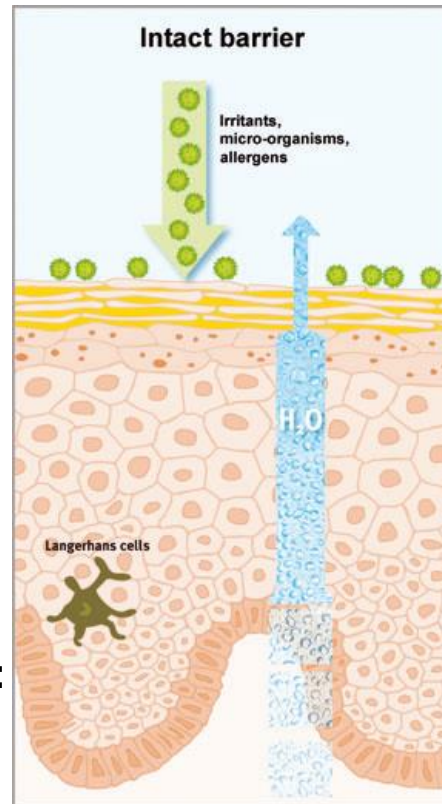
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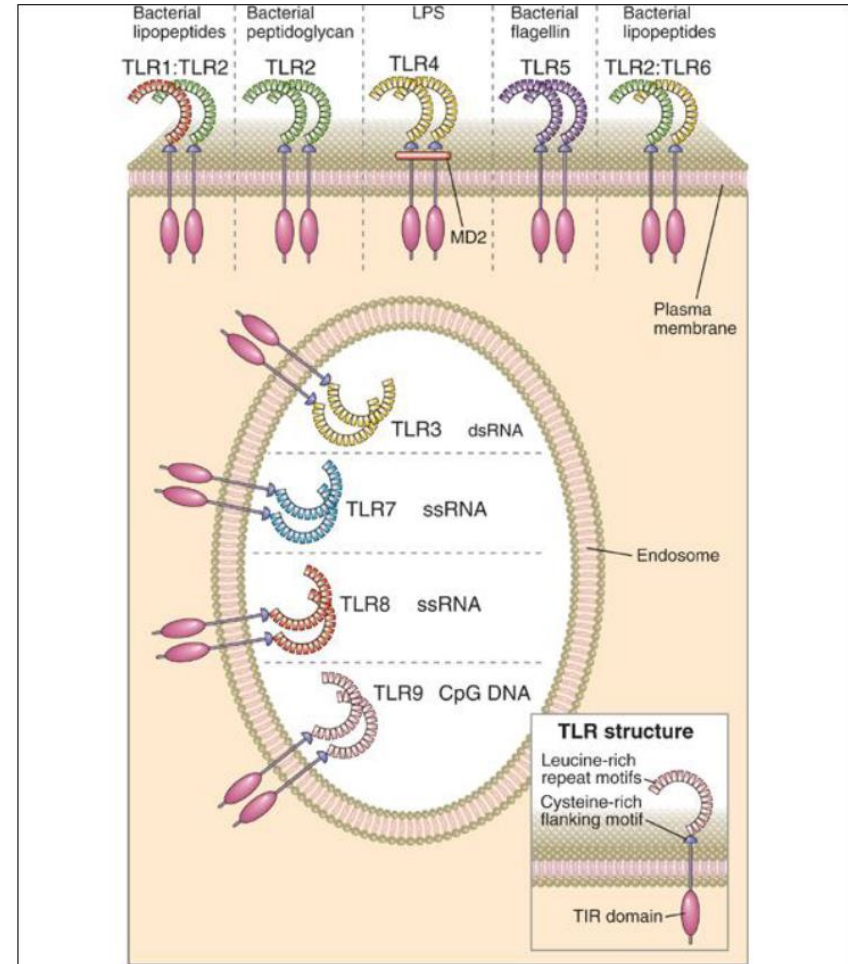
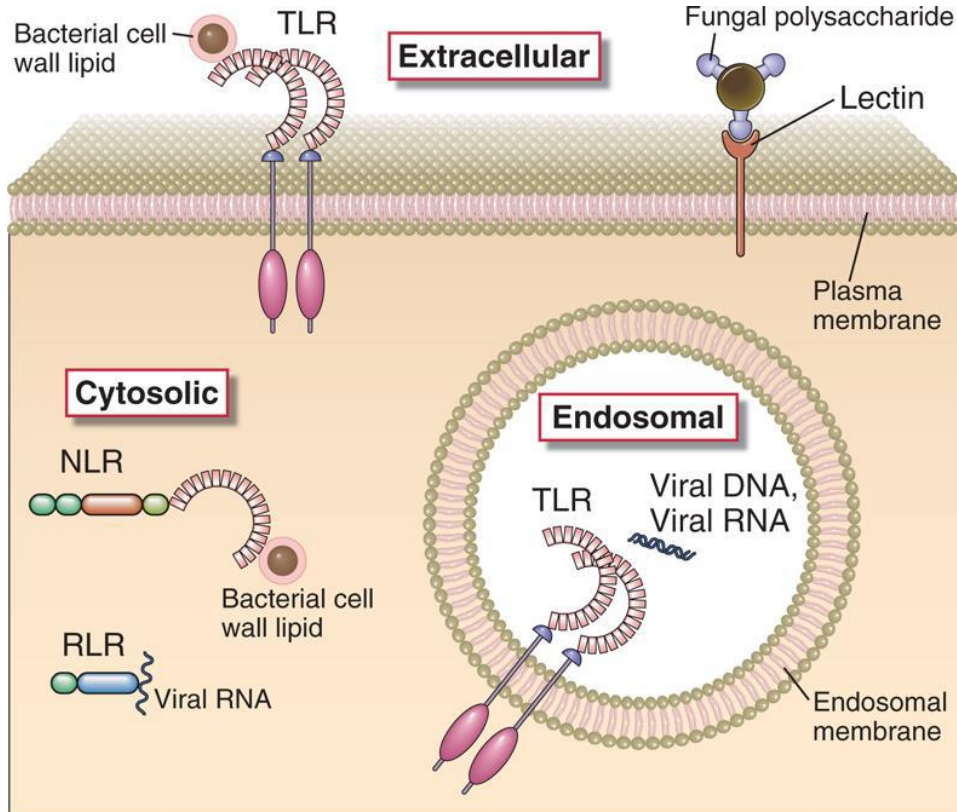
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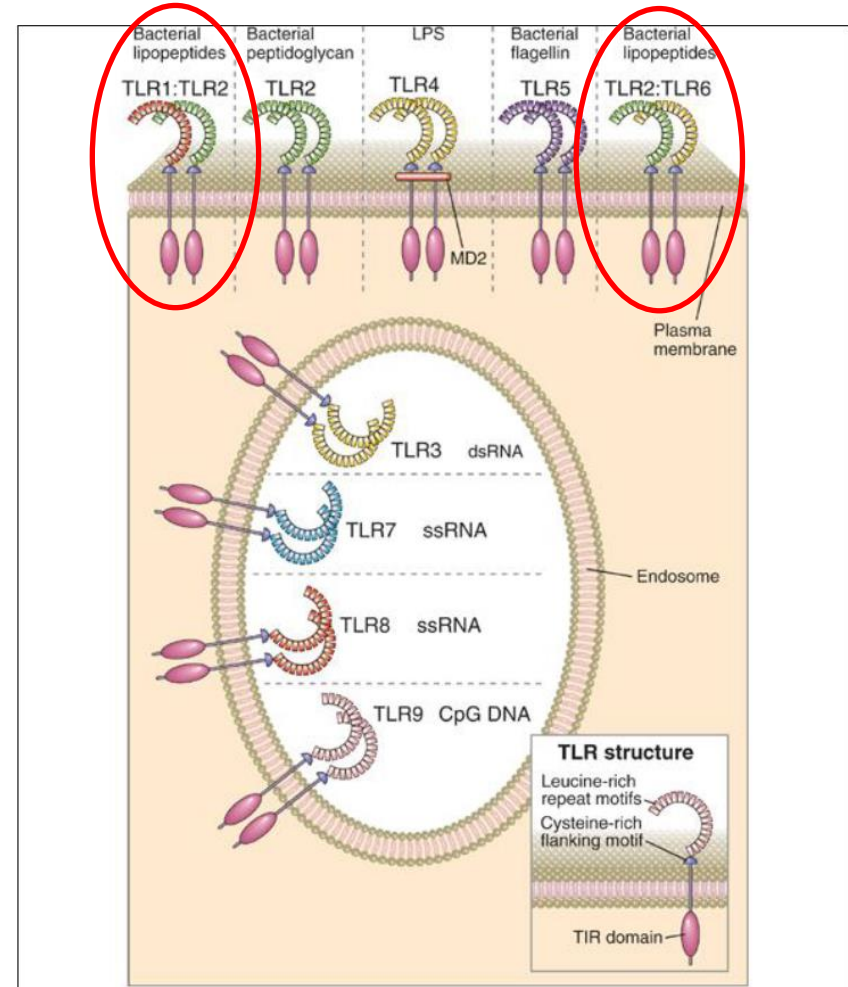
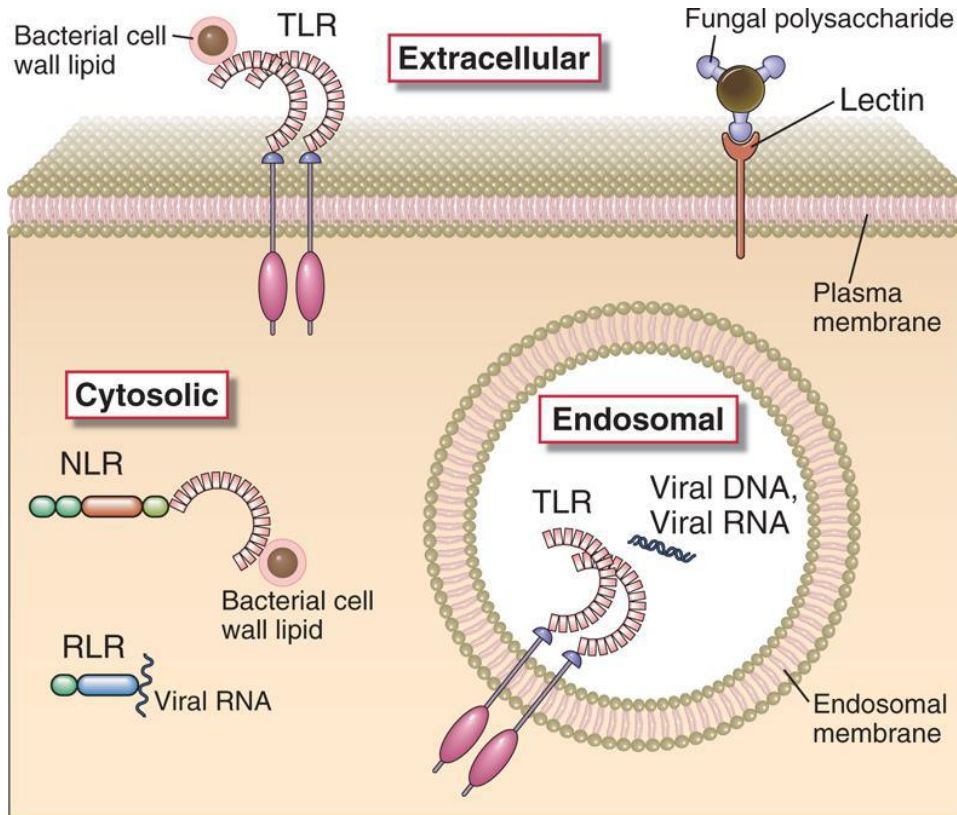


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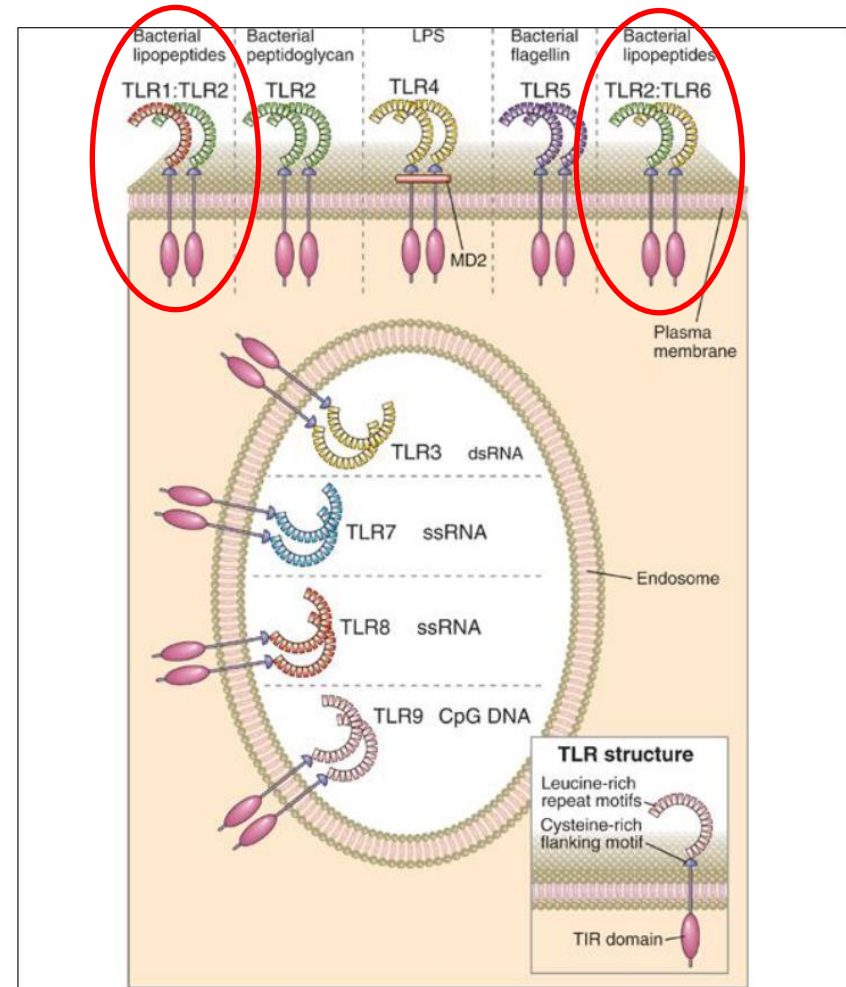
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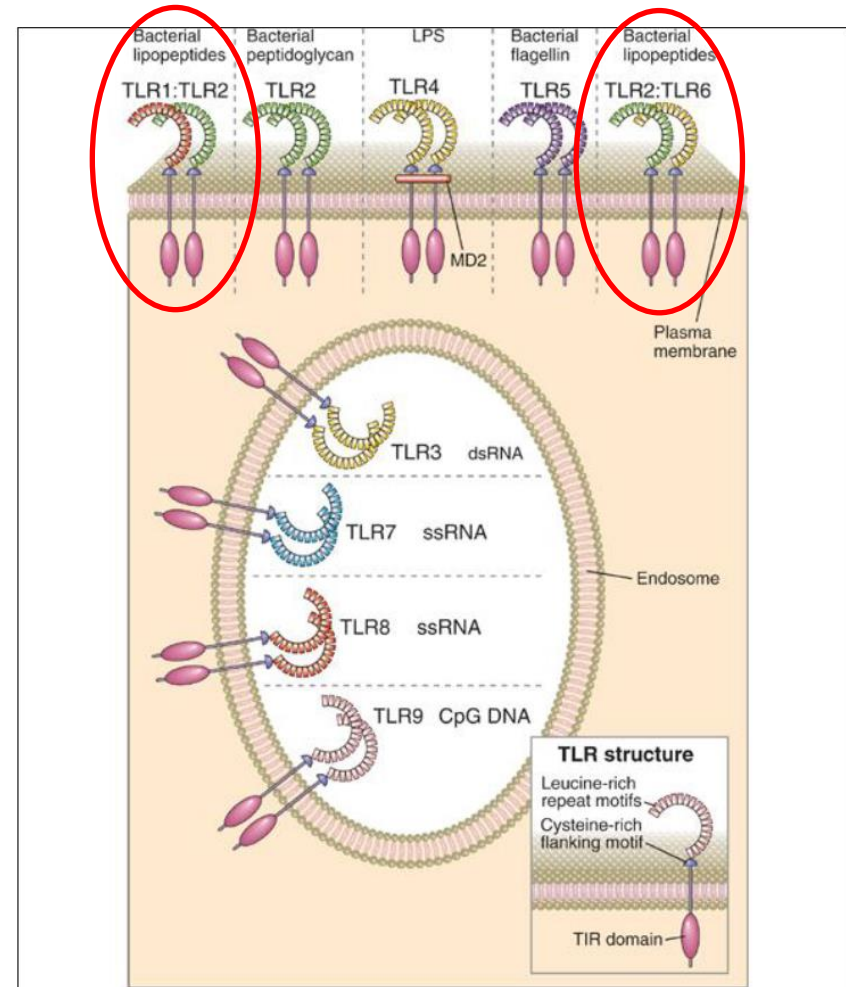


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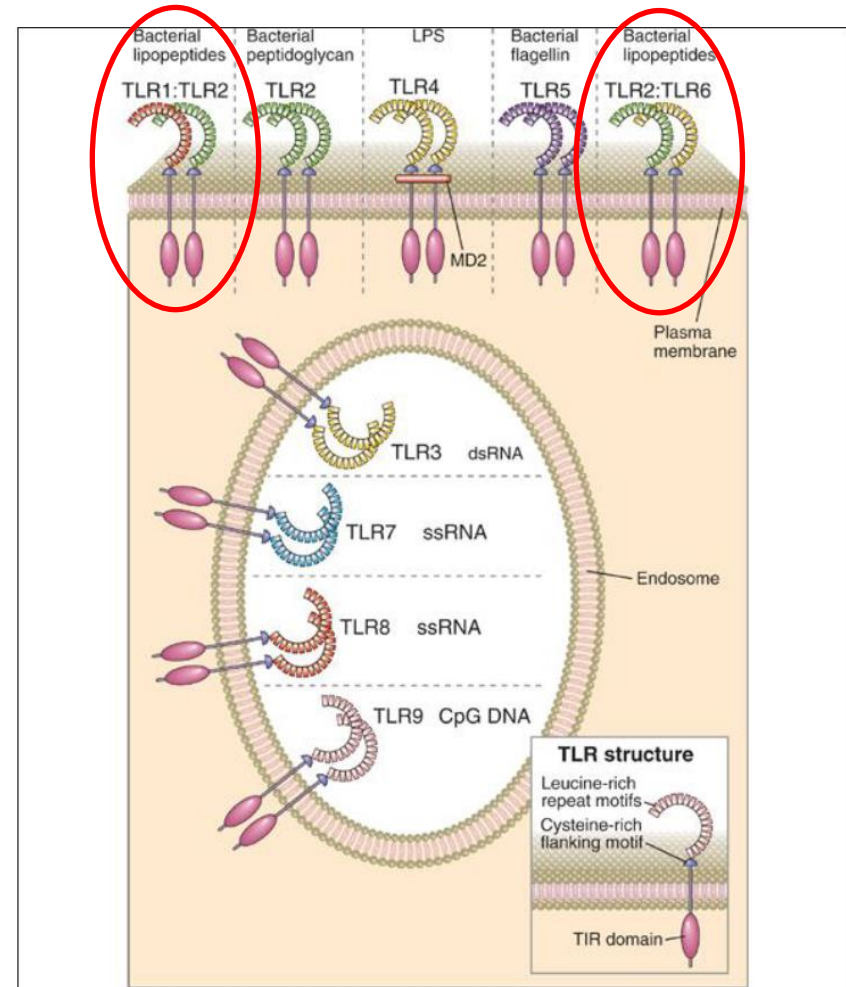
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## Mechanisms to limit cutaneous inflammation:

e.g. Gr1<sup>+</sup>CD11b<sup>+</sup> myeloid-derived suppressor cells (MDSCs)

or regulatory T cells (Tregs)

→ Suppression of T cells



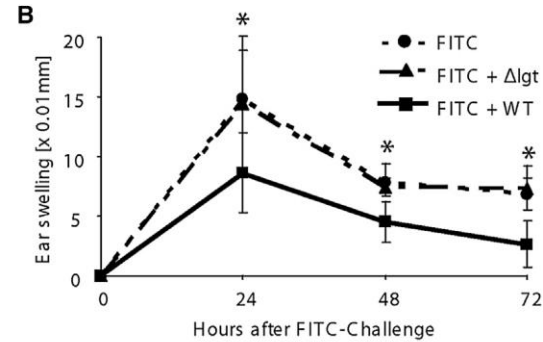
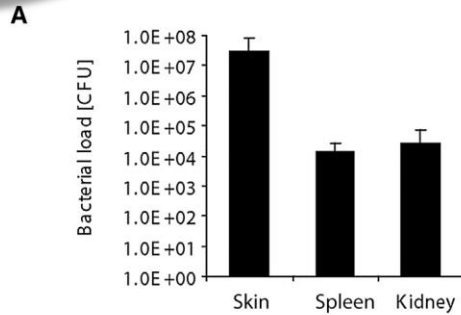
## Better characterization of skin-driven immunity

Specific functional consequences for the activation of different  
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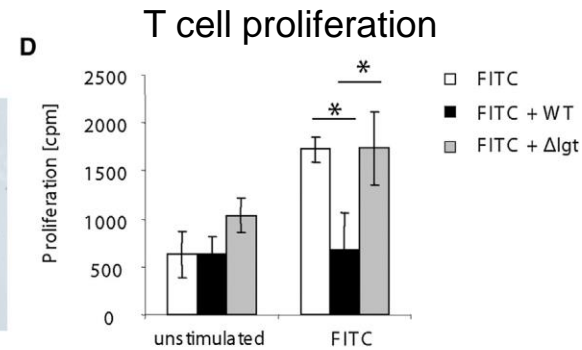
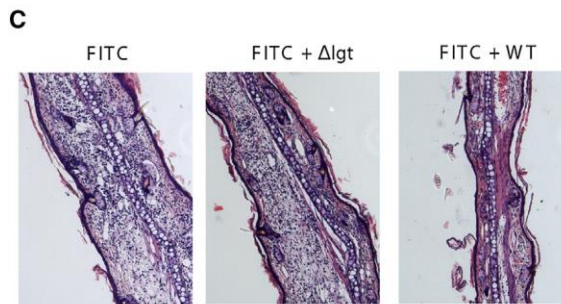
→ Application of living *S. aureus* and specific lipopeptides onto  
healthy and dermatitis-induced skin

# *S. aureus* induces immune suppression

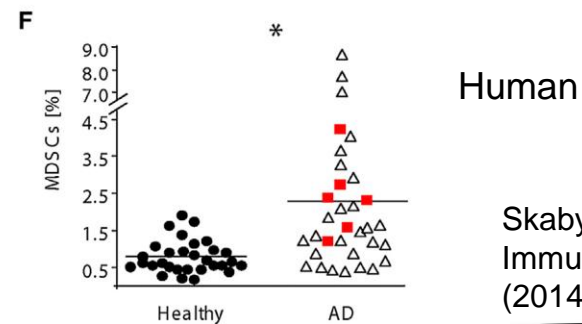
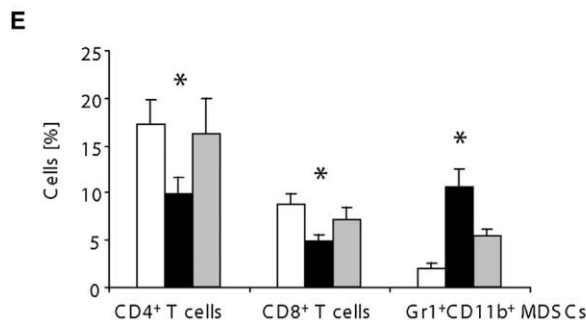
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$\Delta$ lgt: lipoprotein-deficient *S. aureus*



Gr1+CD11b+ myeloid-derived suppressor cells (MDSCs)

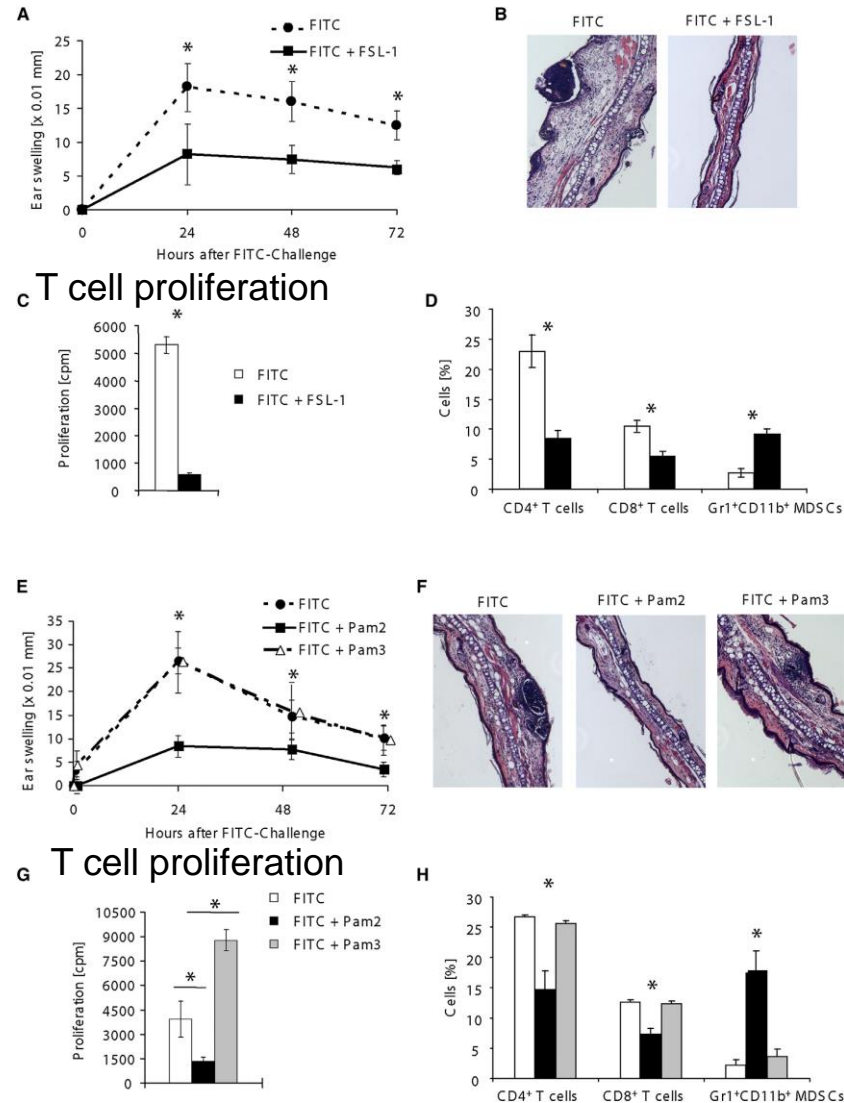


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# TLR2-6 responsible for immune suppression

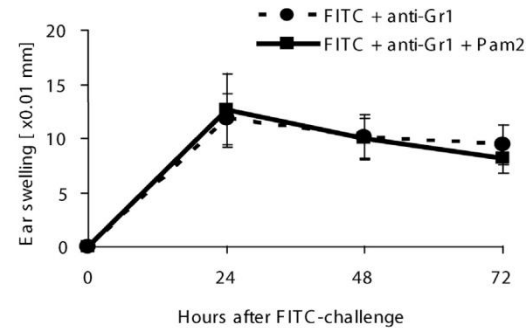
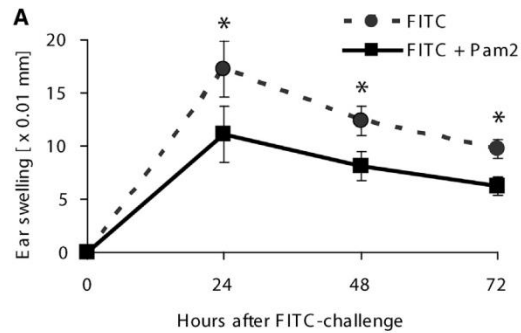
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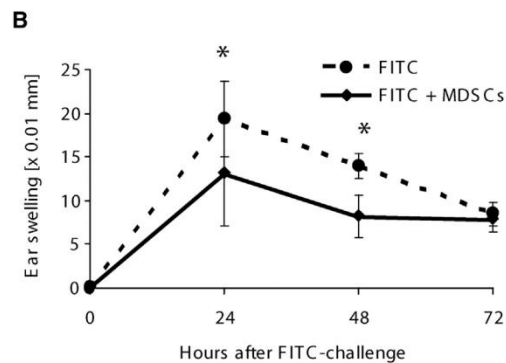




# Immune suppression mediated by MDSCs

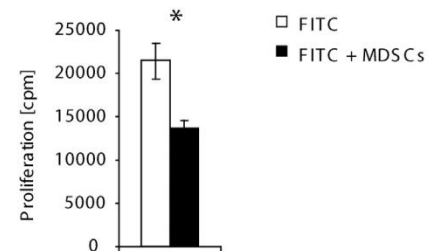


Anti-Gr1:  
Depletion of Gr1+ cells



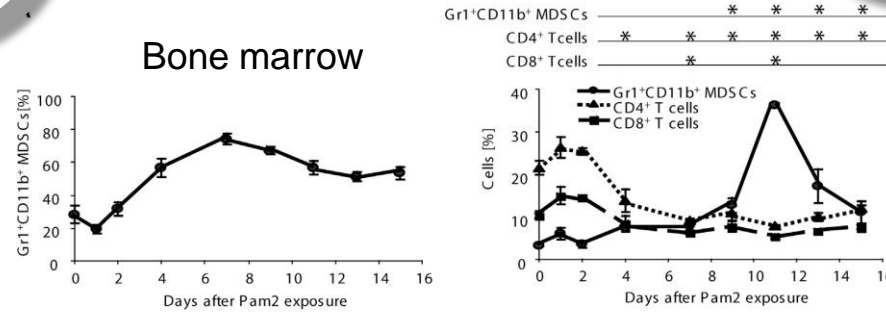
Adoptive transfer of  
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**c** T cell proliferation

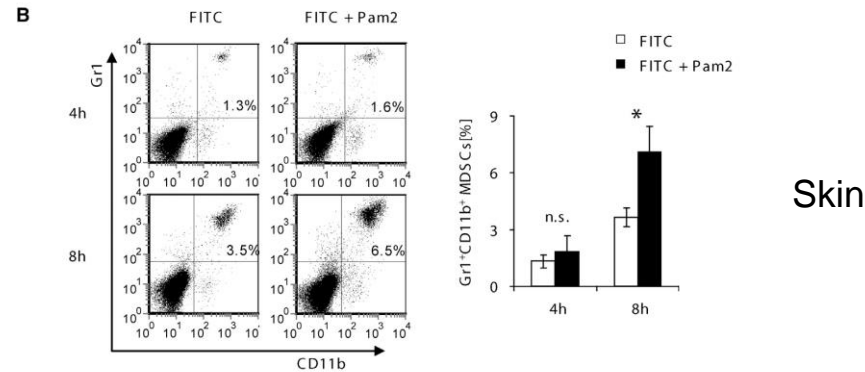


# MDSCs accumulation

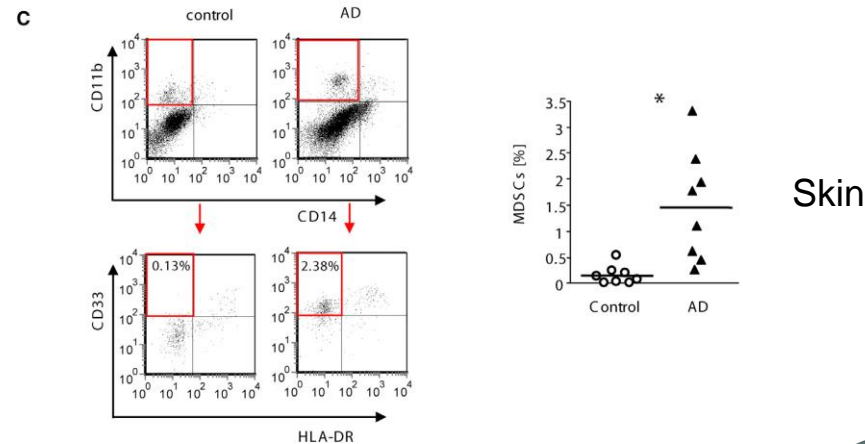
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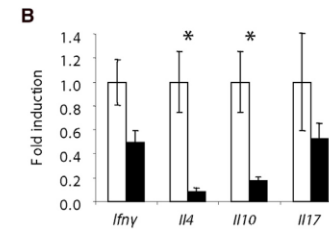
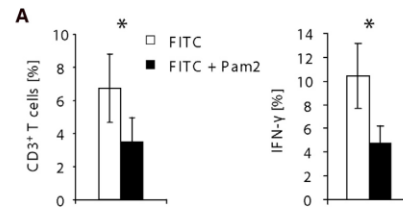


Human



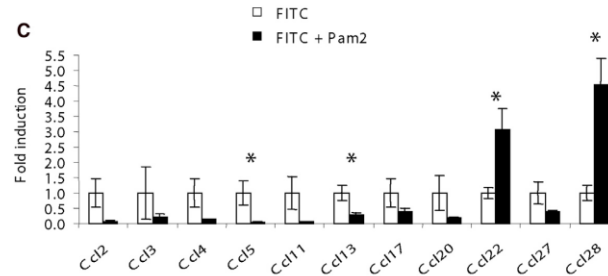
# Cytokine and chemokine expression

CD3 expressed on T cells

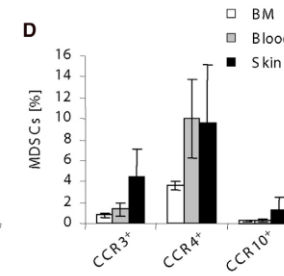


T cell attracting:

- Ccl22 ligand for CCR4
- Ccl28 ligand for CCR10



Chemokine receptors expressed on MDSCs

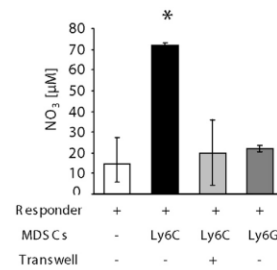
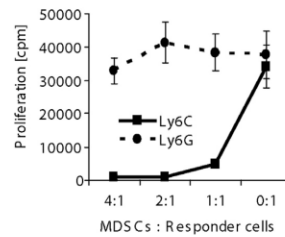


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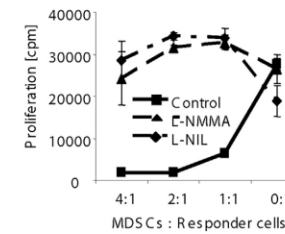
## immunosuppressive activity

Anti-CD3-CD28 stimulation  
→ T cell activation/ proliferation

**E** T cell proliferation



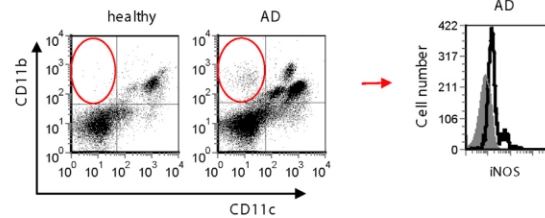
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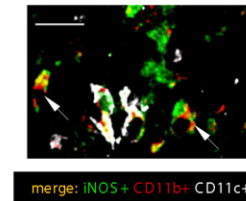
L-NMMA and L-NIL  
→ inhibiting iNOS

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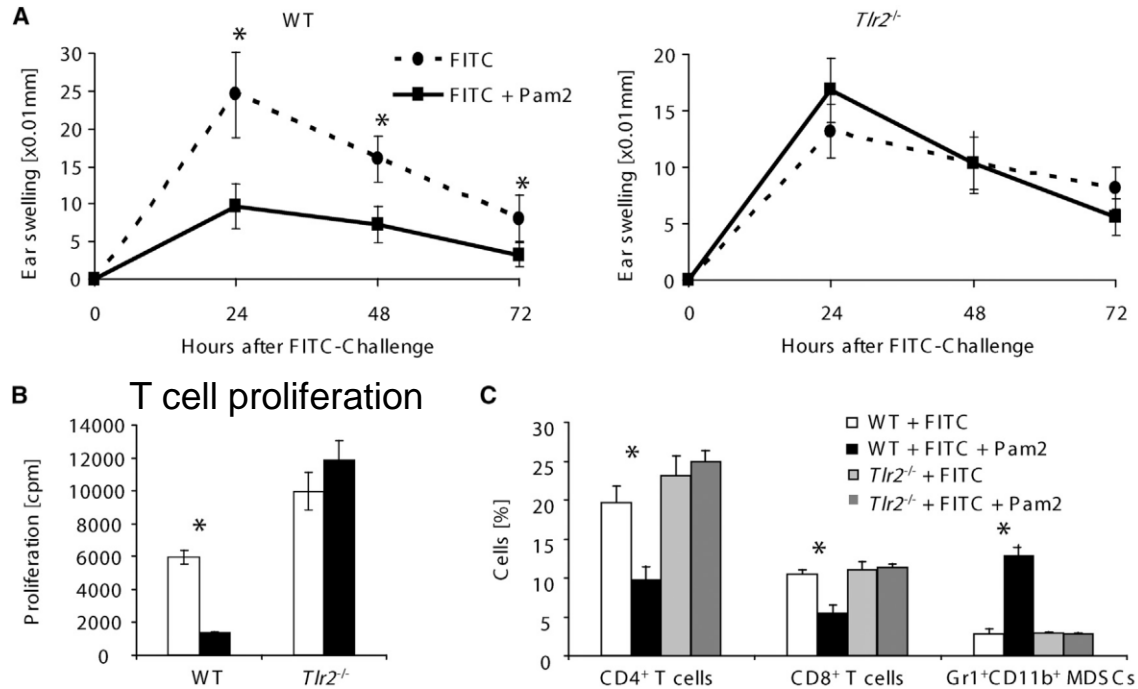
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Skin tissue of AD



# Immune suppression dependent on TLR2

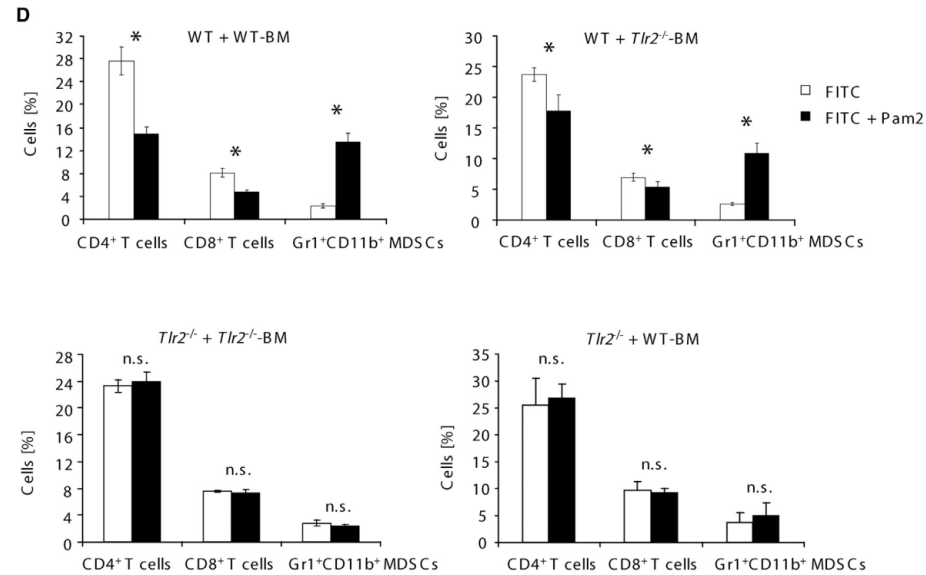
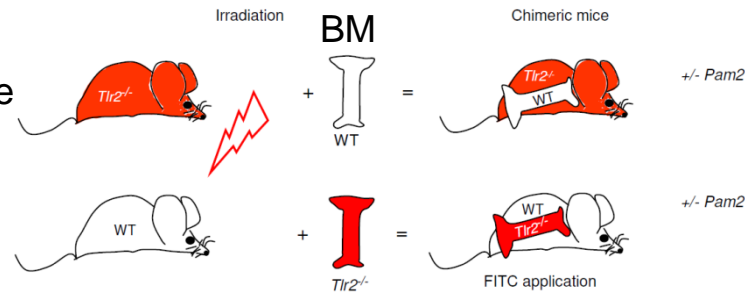


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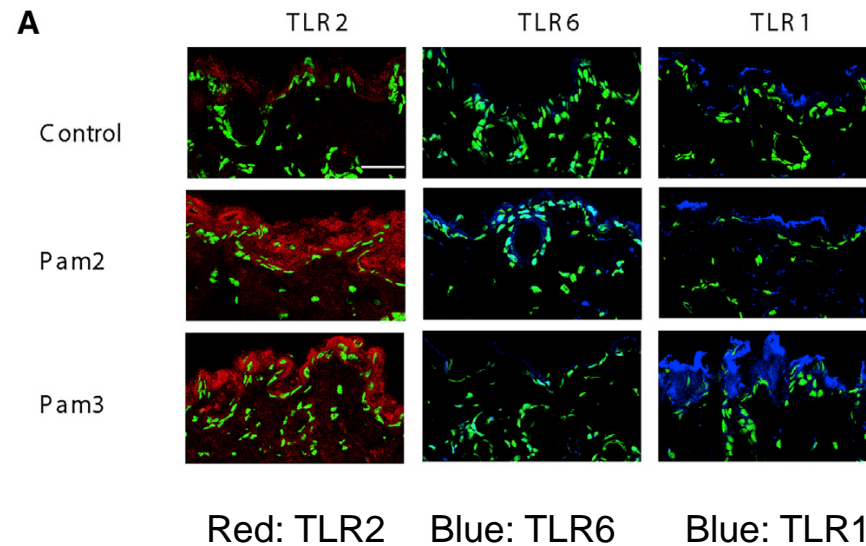
## skin resident cells or hematopoietic cells?

Tlr2<sup>-/-</sup> means Tlr2 knock out mouse

BM= Bone marrow cells



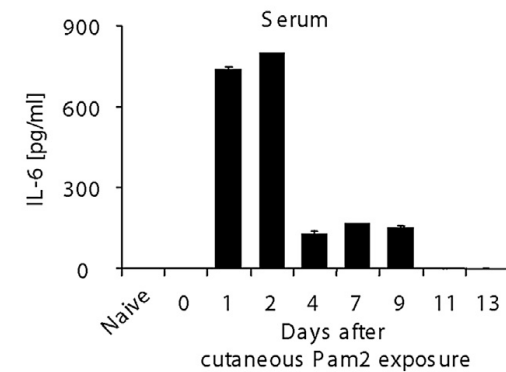
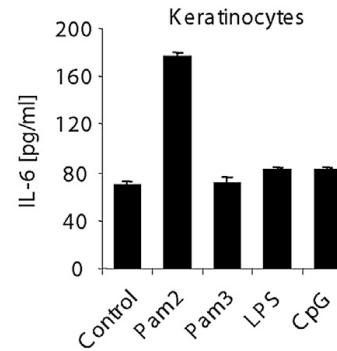
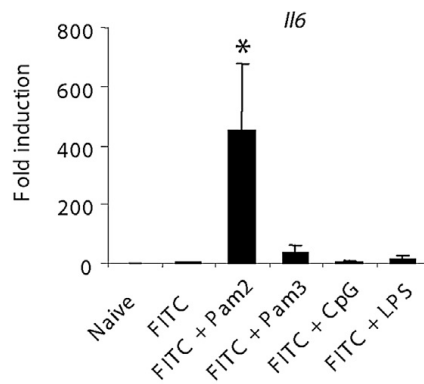
# TLR expression after stimulation



Green: nuclei

# Mechanism:

## Expression of IL-6 upon Pam2 stimulation

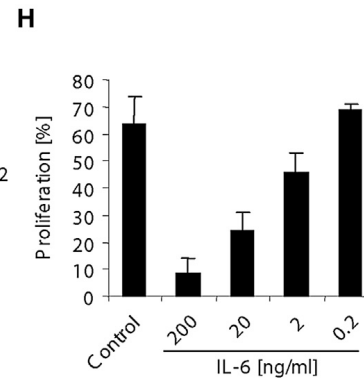
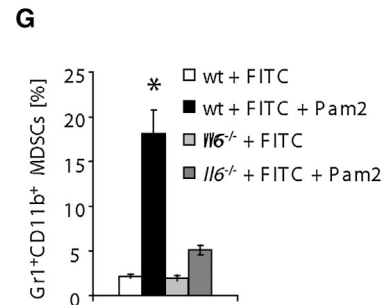
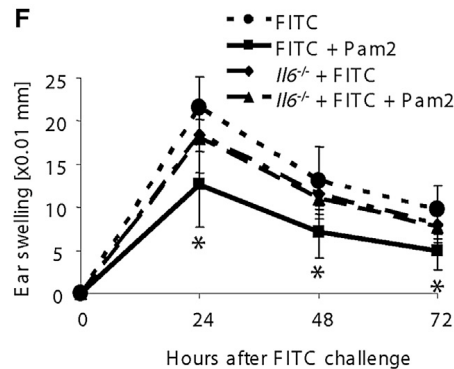


- CpG binds TLR9
- LPS binds TLR4



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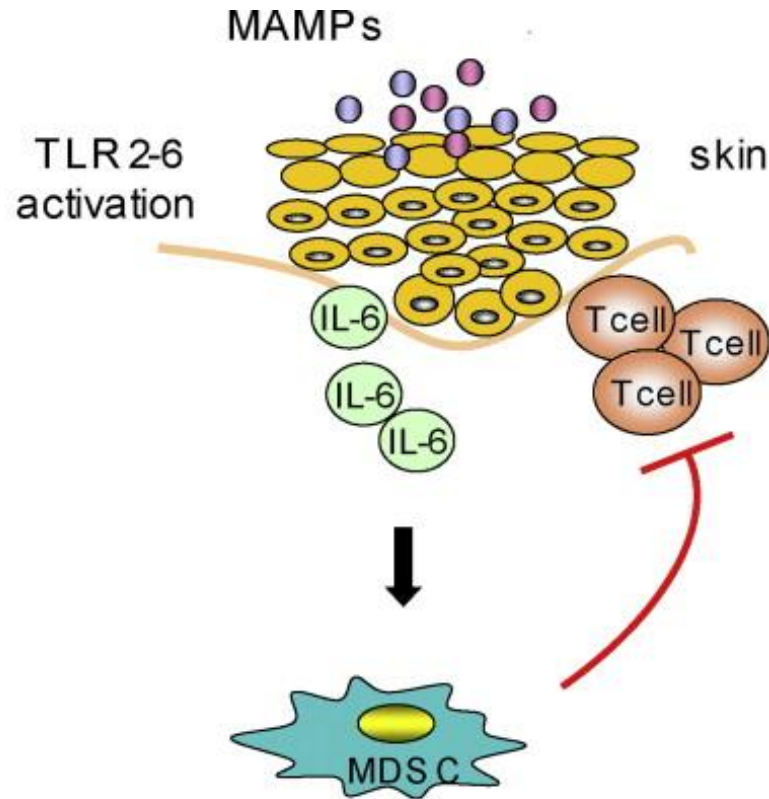
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BM-derived MDSCs treated with or without IL-6

→ then cocultured with activated responder cells

# Summary



Myeloid-derived suppressor cells