

Lymphoma Biology, Treatment Options and Nutrition

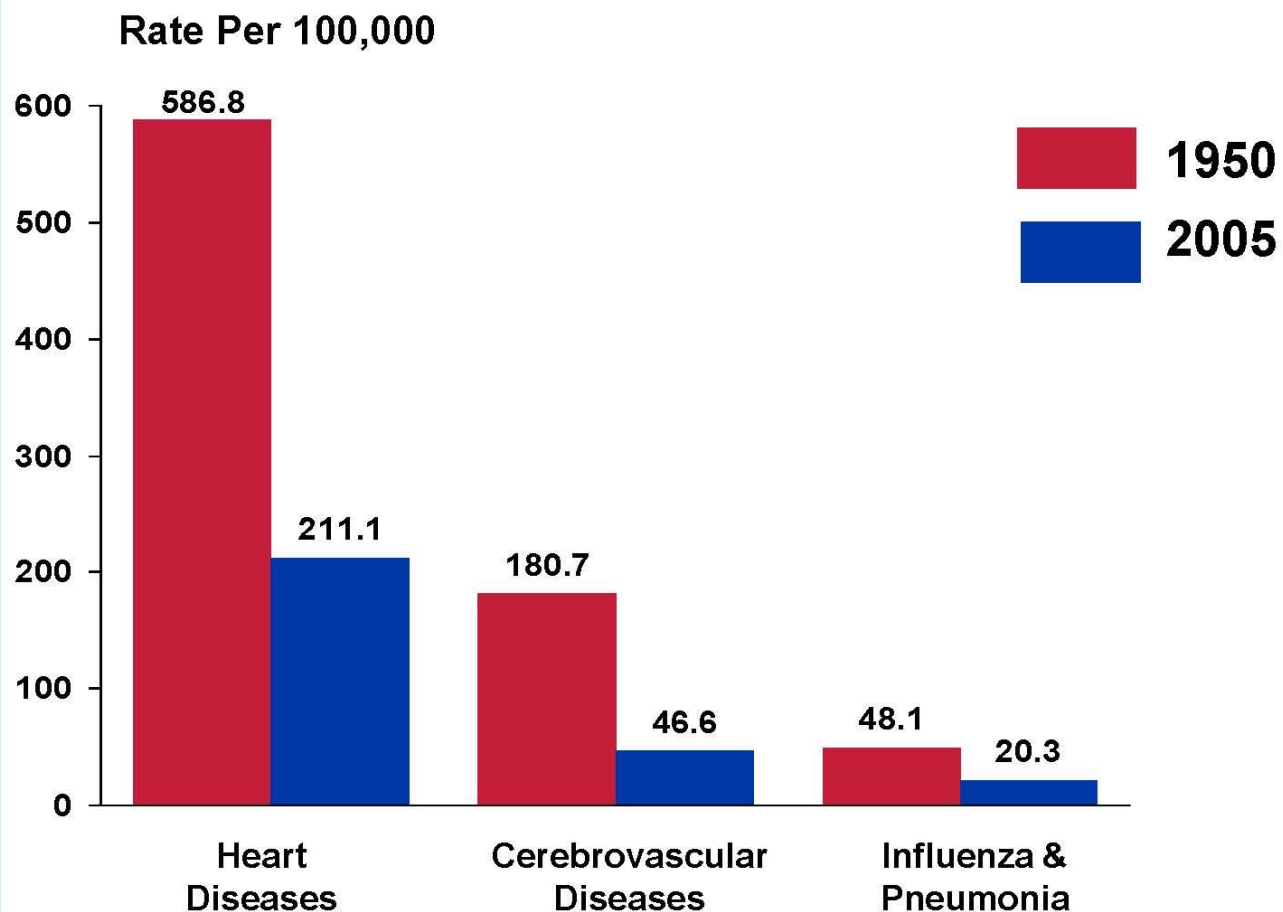
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Change in the US Death Rates* by Cause, 1950 & 2005



* Age-adjusted to 2000 US standard population.

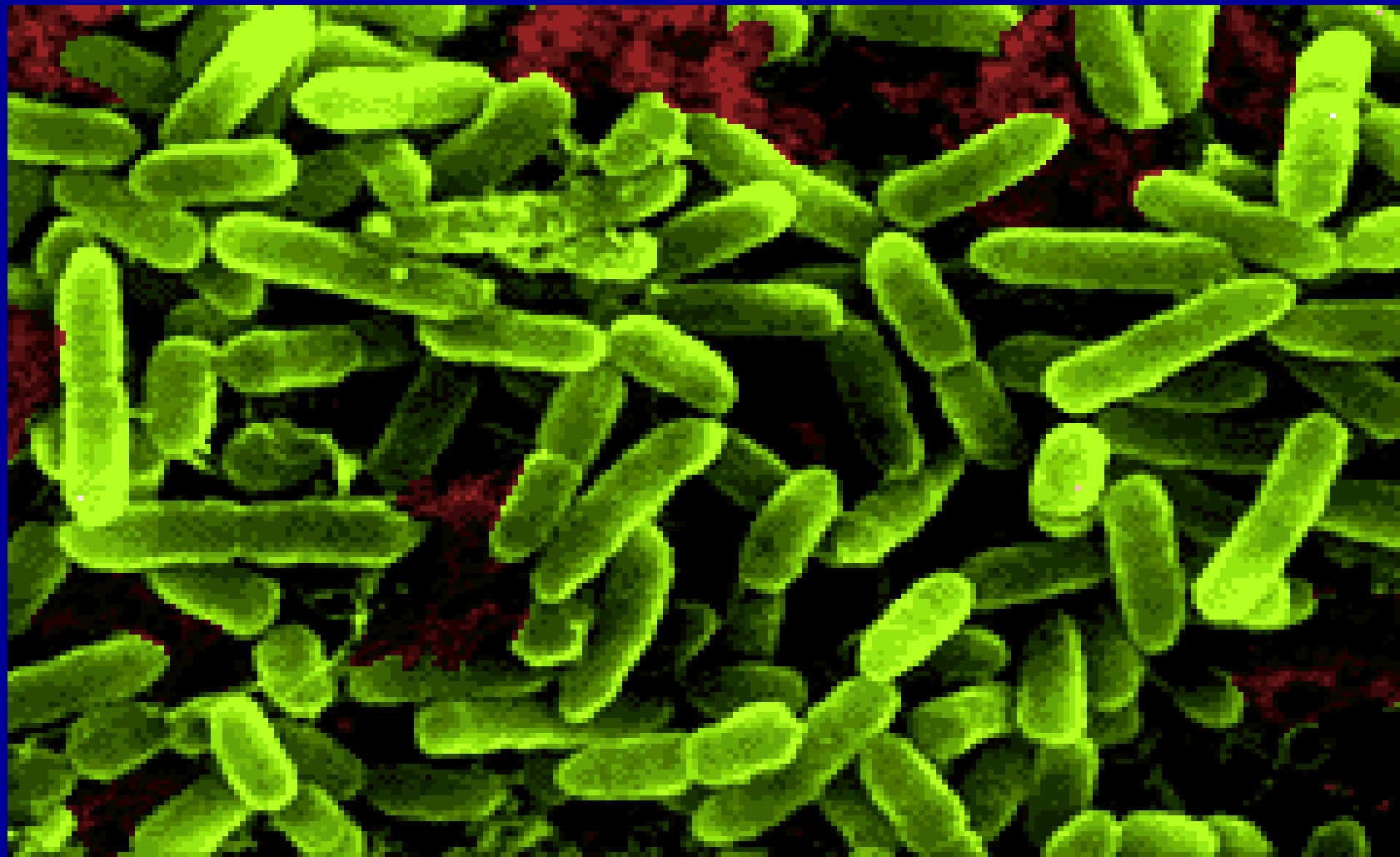
Sources: 1950 Mortality Data - CDC/NCHS, NVSS, Mortality Revised.

2005 Mortality Data: US Mortality Data 2005, NCHS, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2008.

Cancer

Noteworthy World Statistics 2000s

- Incidence > 14,000,000
 - Deaths > 8,500,000
 - Leading cause of death in developed world
 - 2nd leading cause of death in developing world
 - In the developed countries
 - Approximately 1 in 2 will develop cancer and 1 in 4 will die from cancer
 - The developing countries are rapidly catching up
- 11 most common cancers (~ 90% of all cancer)
 - Prostate, breast, lung, colo-rectum, lymphoid, bladder, pancreas, kidney, uterus, thyroid, melanoma
 - **Only ONE is curable once metastatic: lymphoid cancer**



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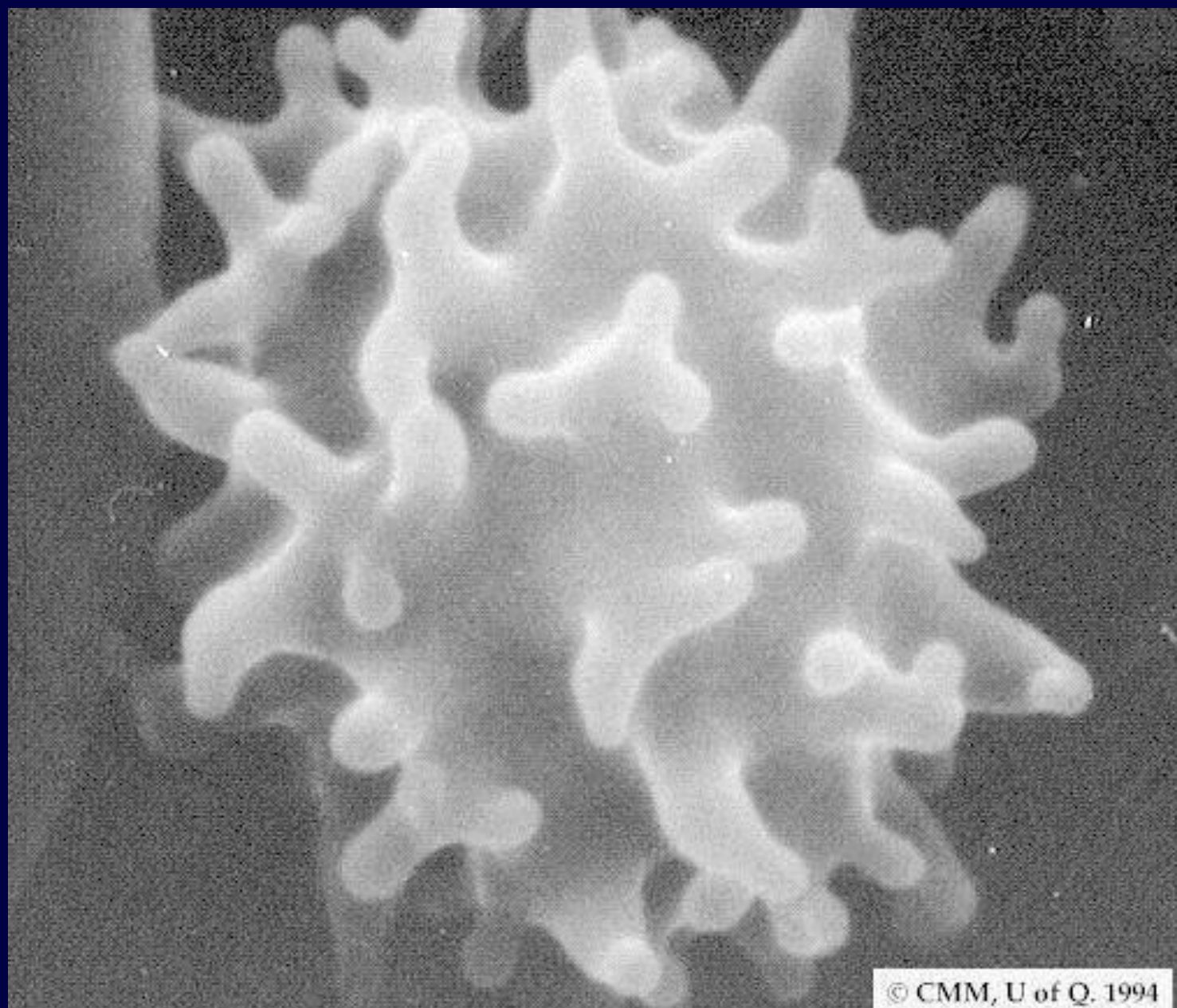
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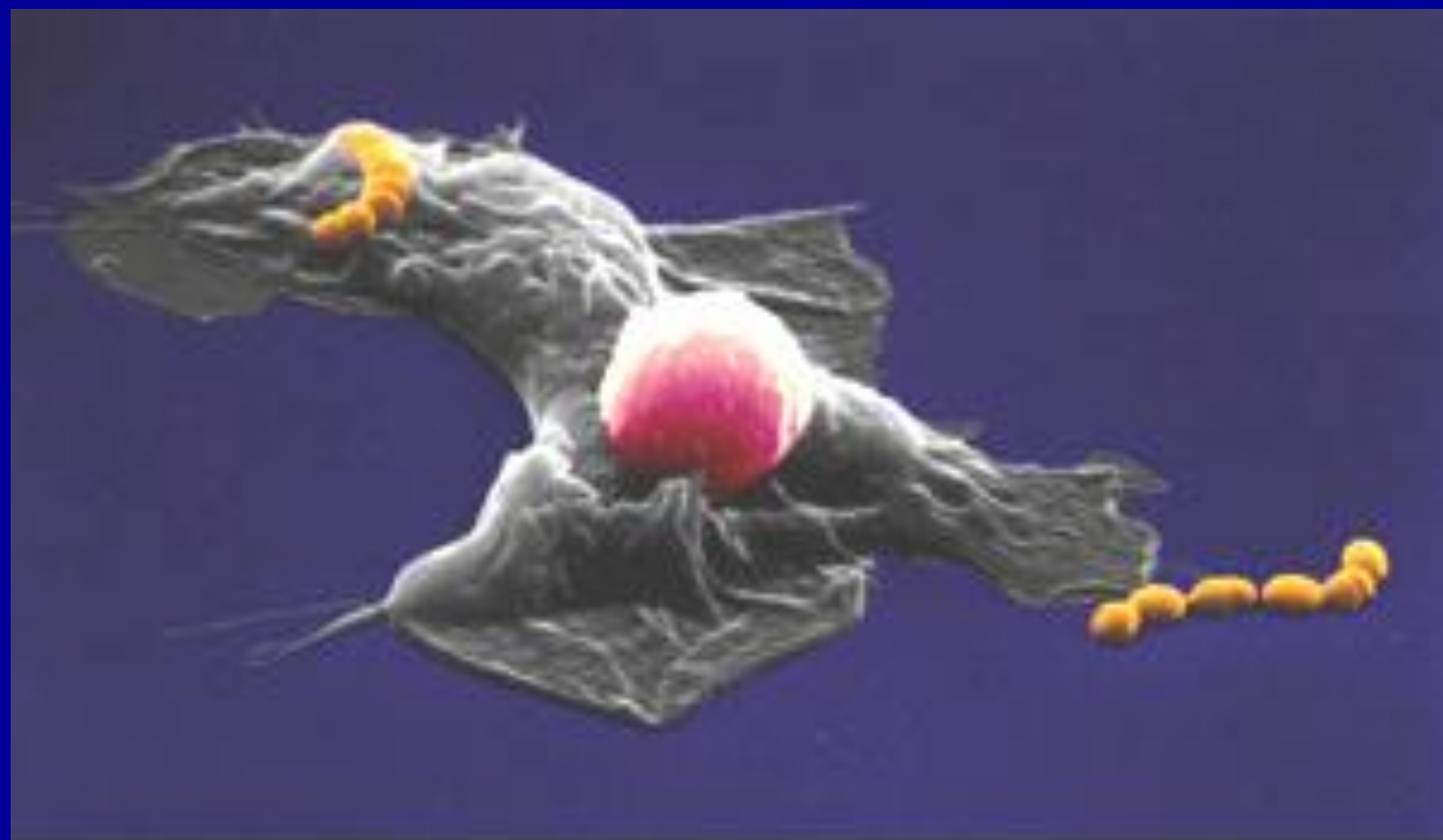
Lymphoid Cancer

What is it ?

◆ Our immune system is our defense system against the invaders of the world

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|-------------|--------------------------|
| ◆ Bacteria | childhood ear infections |
| ◆ Fungi | diaper rash |
| ◆ Viruses | flu |
| ◆ Protozoa | malaria |
| ◆ Parasites | pinworms |





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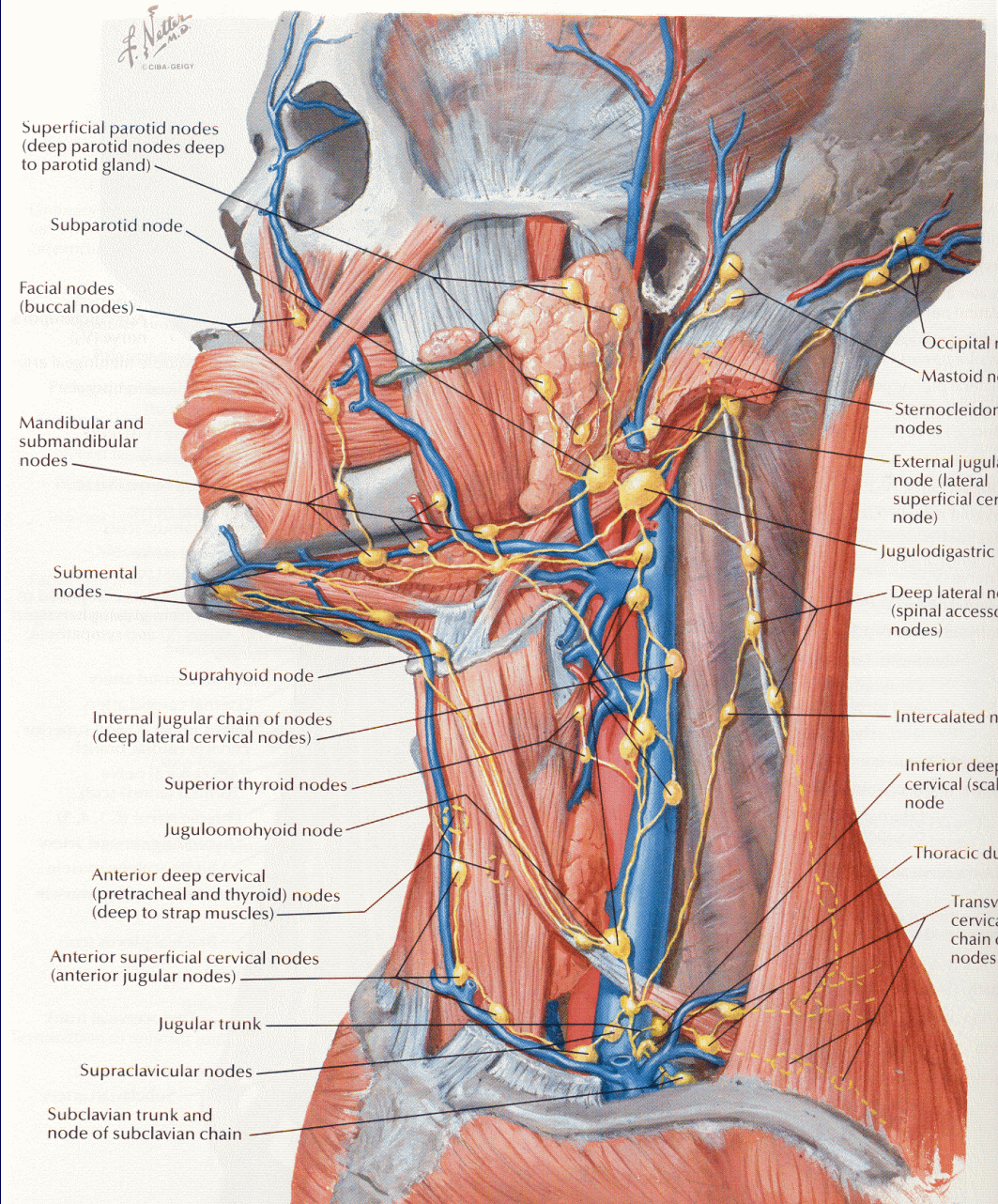
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Lymph node distribution in the head and neck area showing close association with vasculature and neural structures

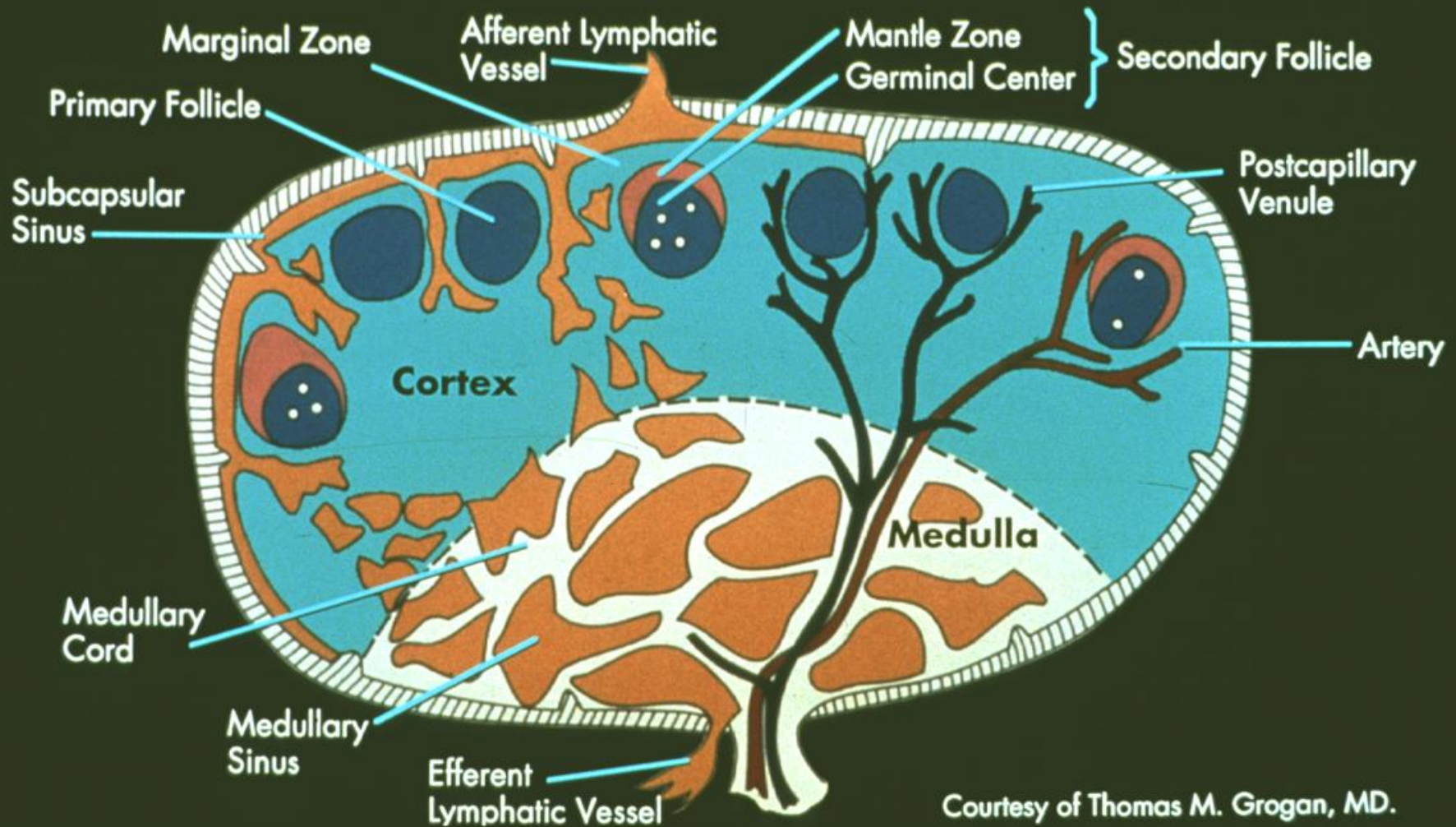
Netter, *Atlas of Human Anatomy* 1989

Lymph Vessels and Nodes of Oral and Pharyngeal Regions

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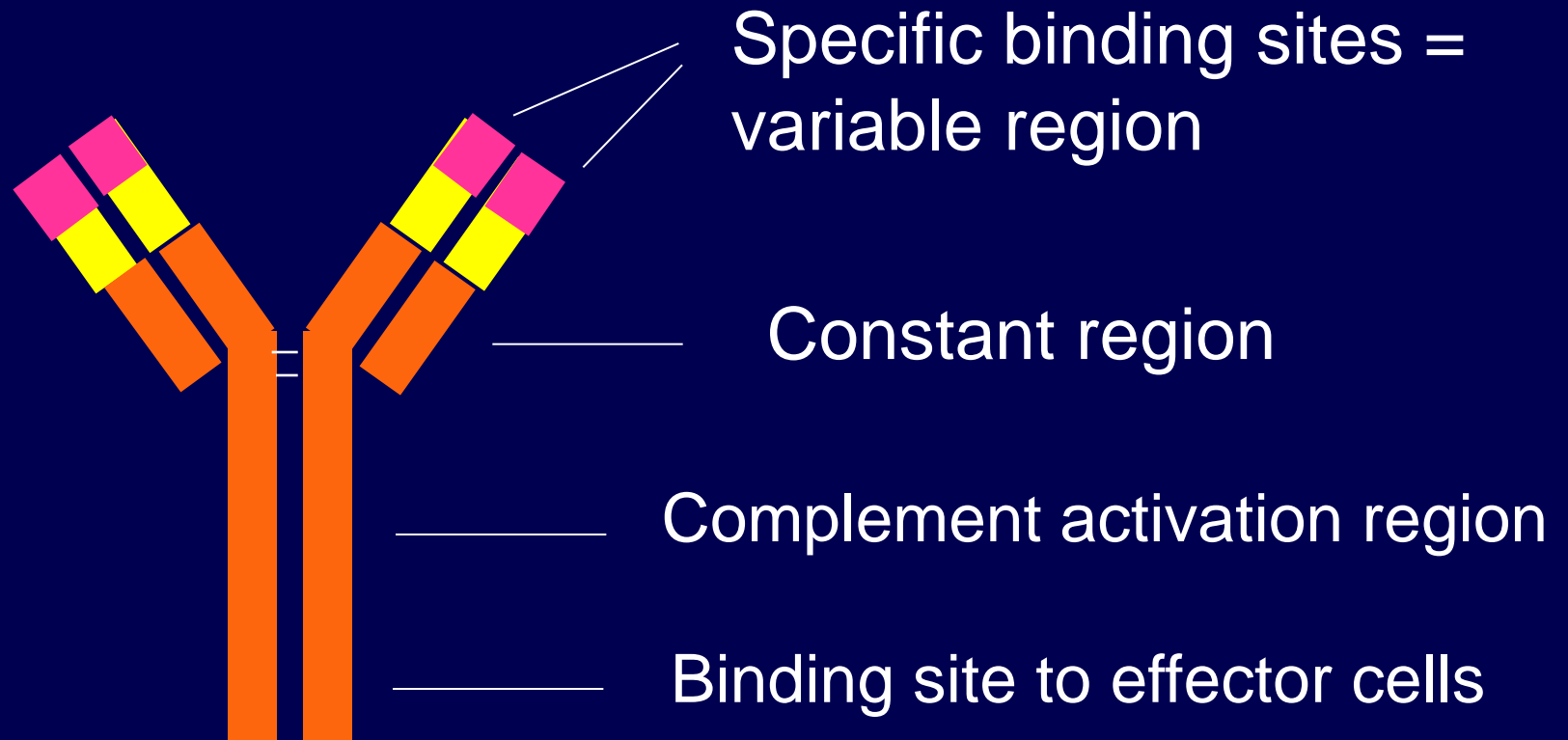


Lymph Node



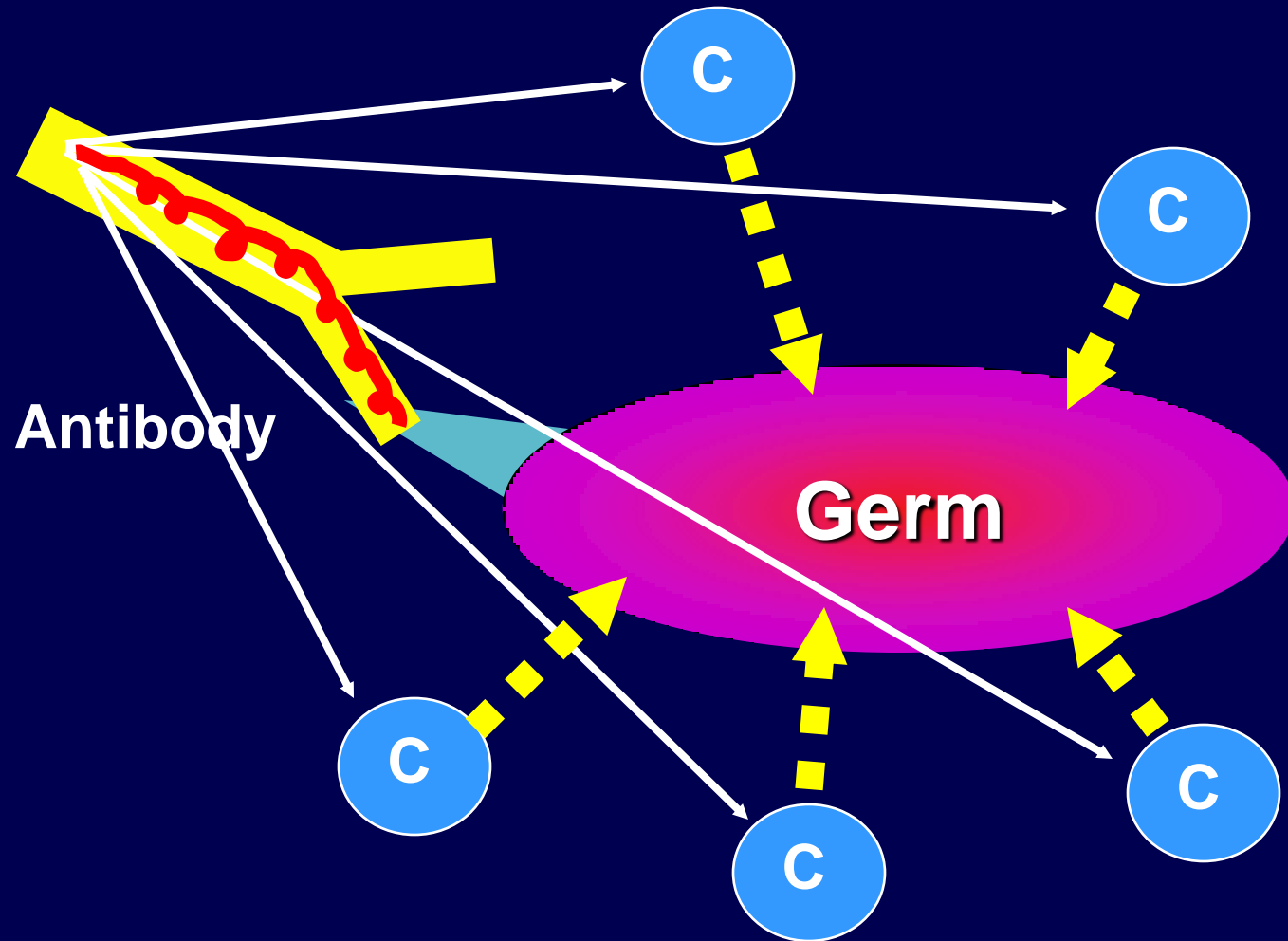
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Basic Antibody Structure

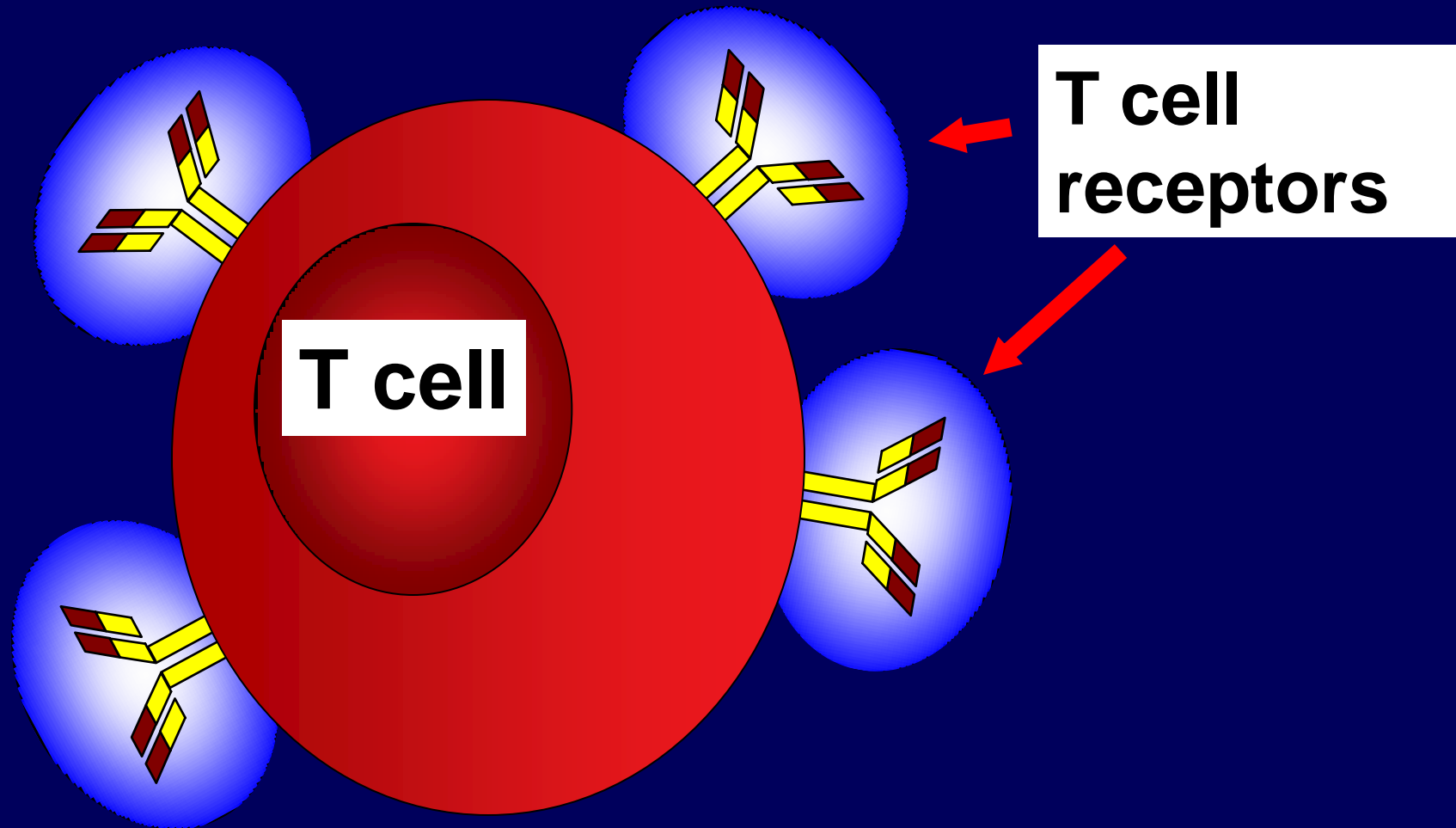


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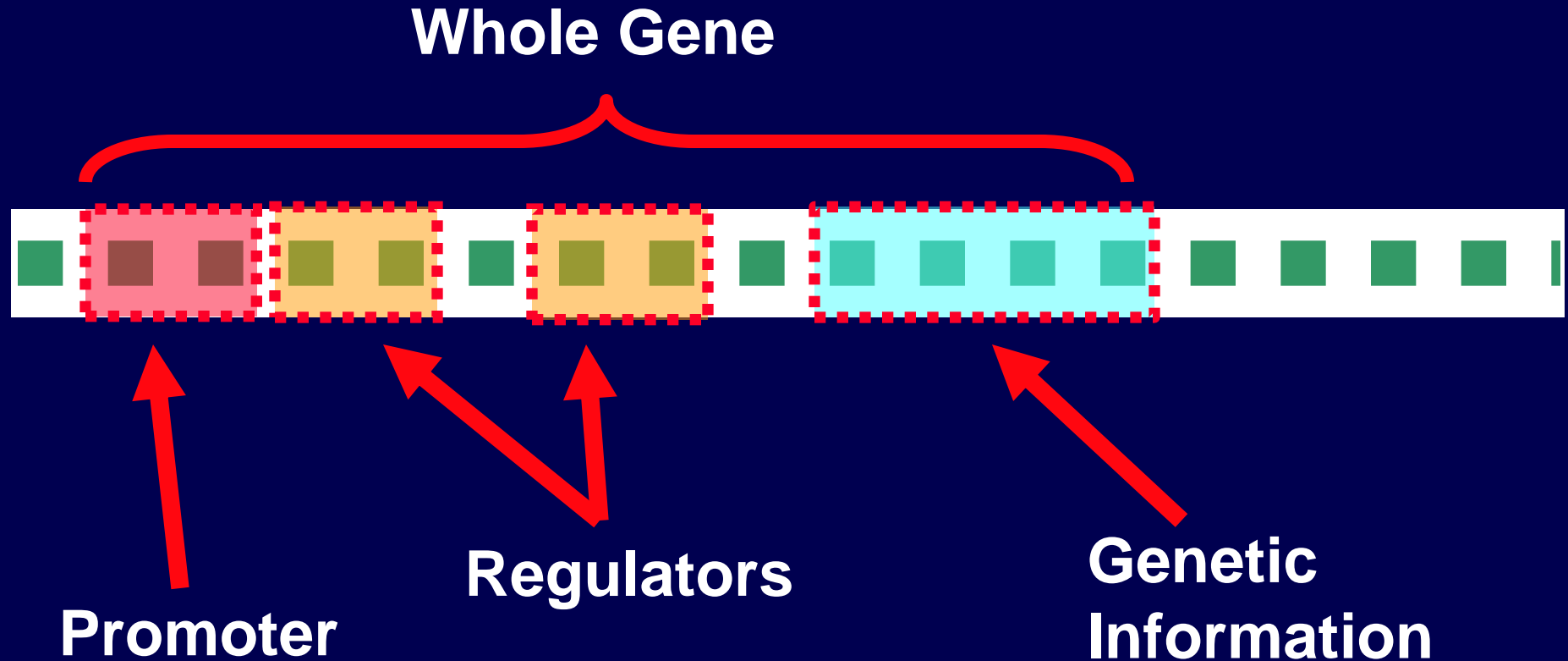
Basic Mechanism of Antibody Action



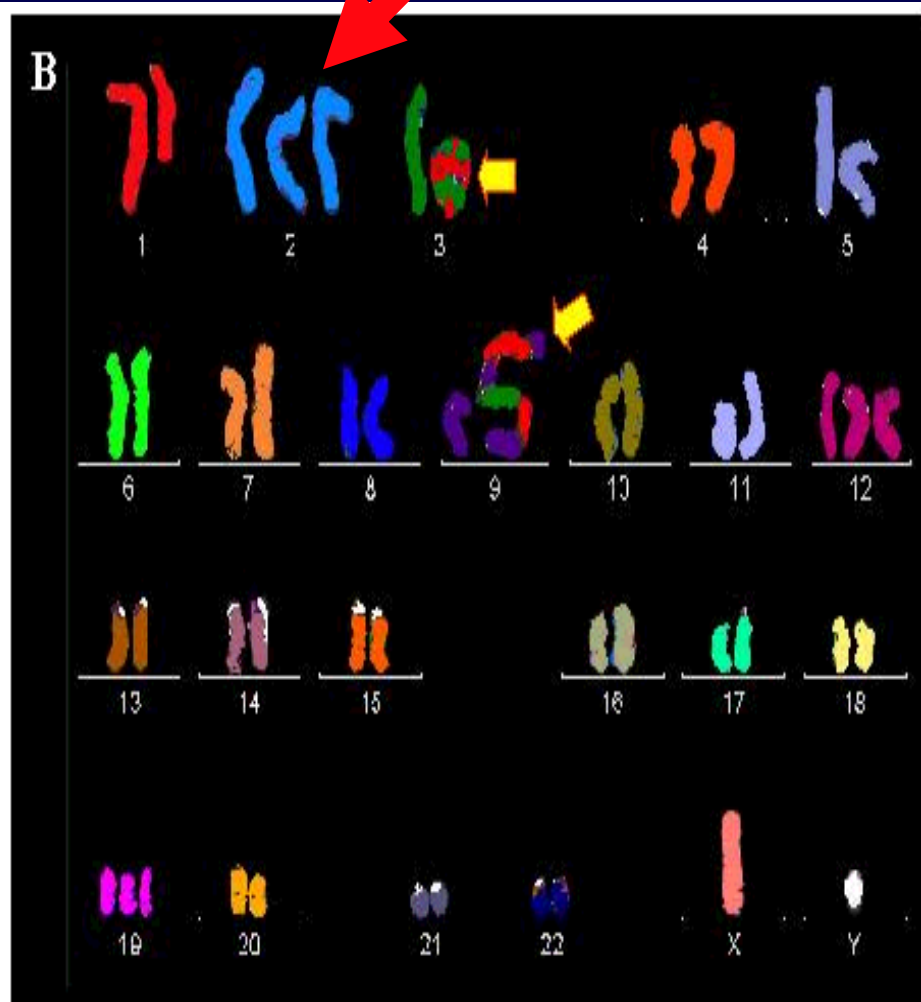
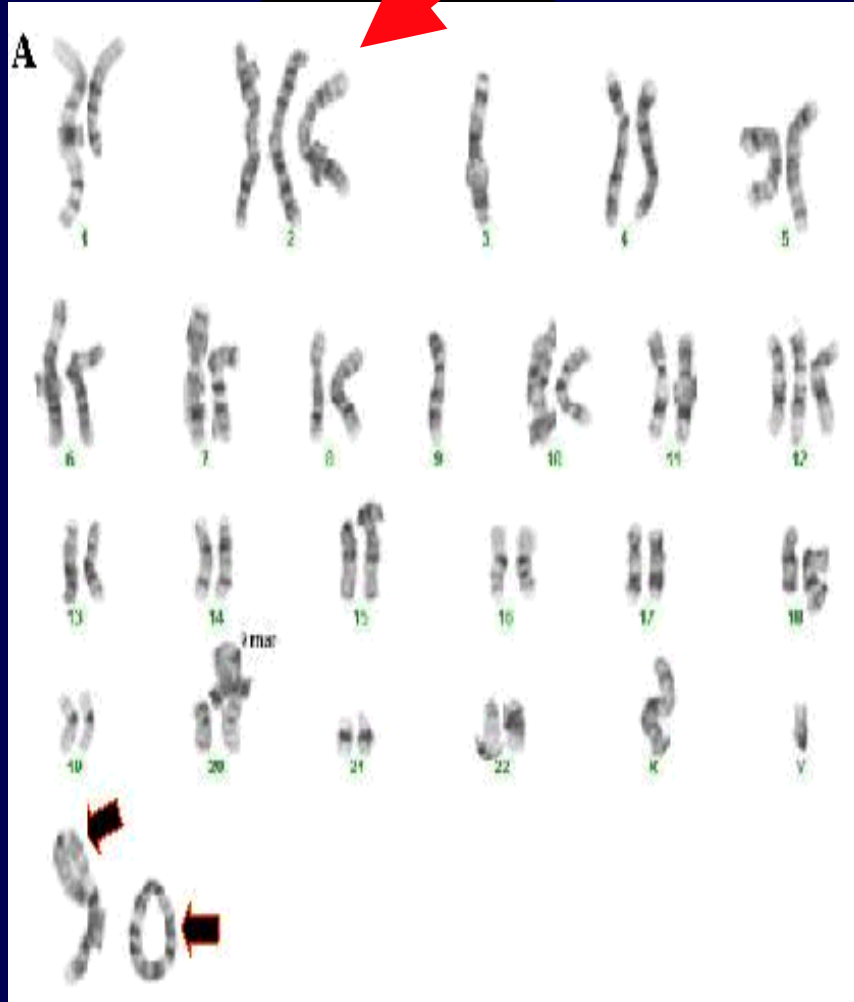
T Cell Structure

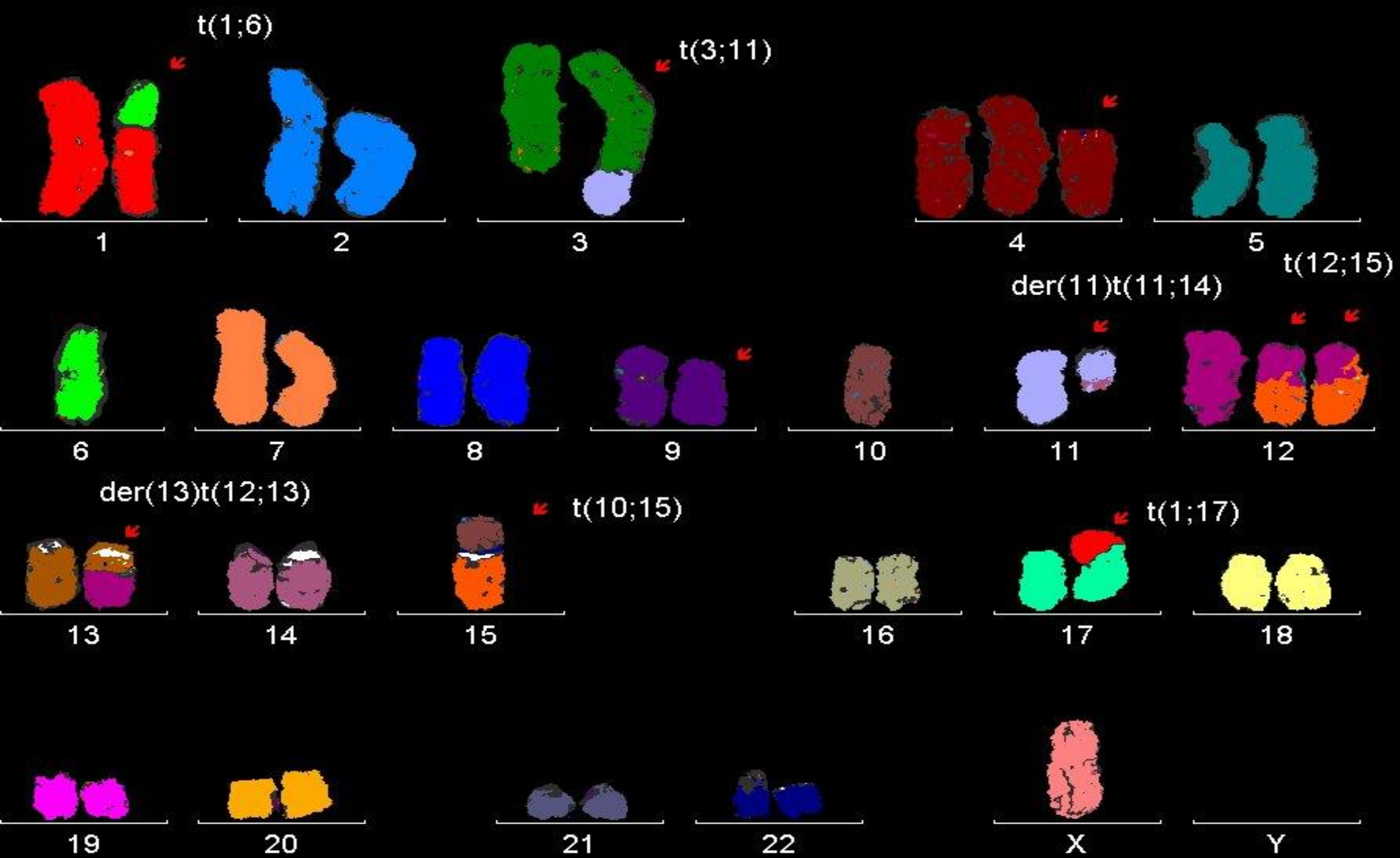


Basic Gene Structure and Control

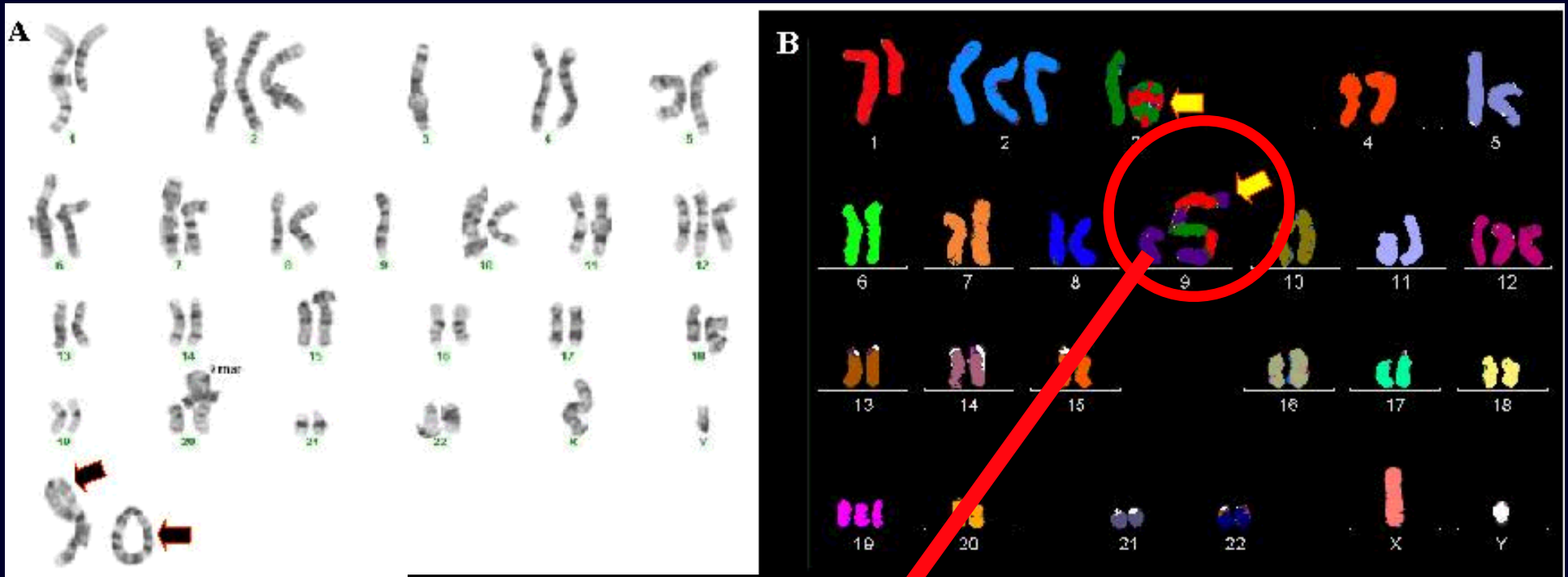


Duplication = trisomy

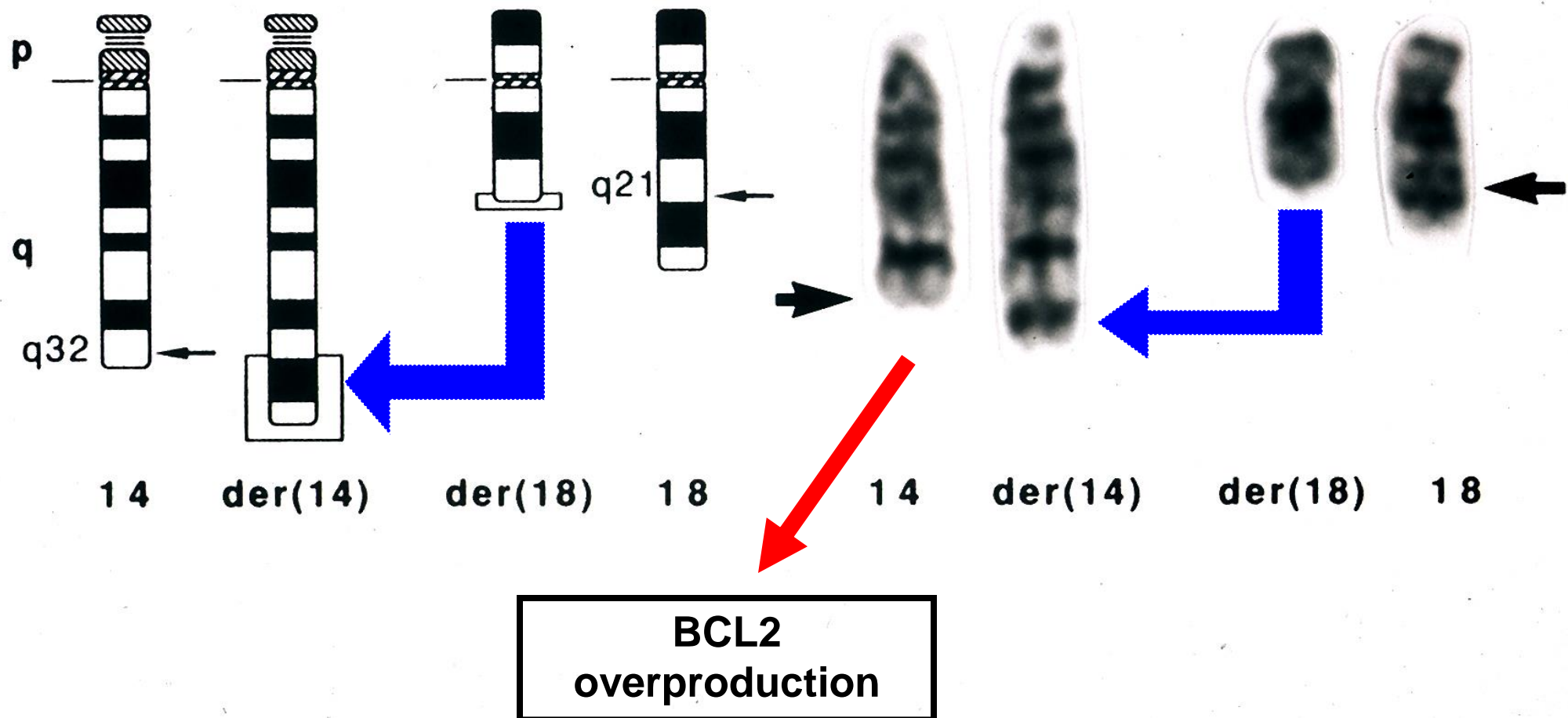




MFISH - complex karyotype

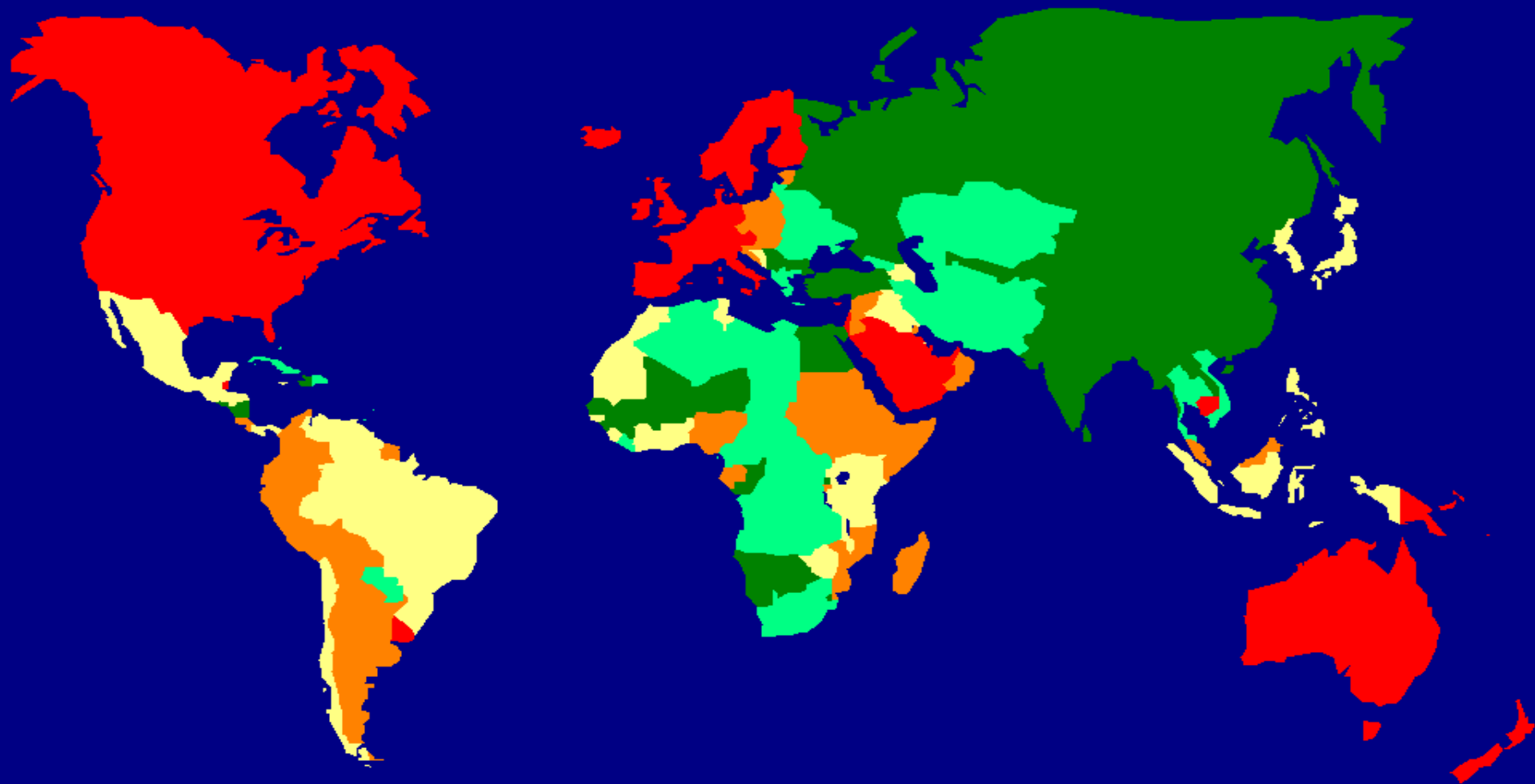


Follicular Lymphoma, $t(14;18)(q32;q21)$



Lymphoid Cancer Worldwide Variation

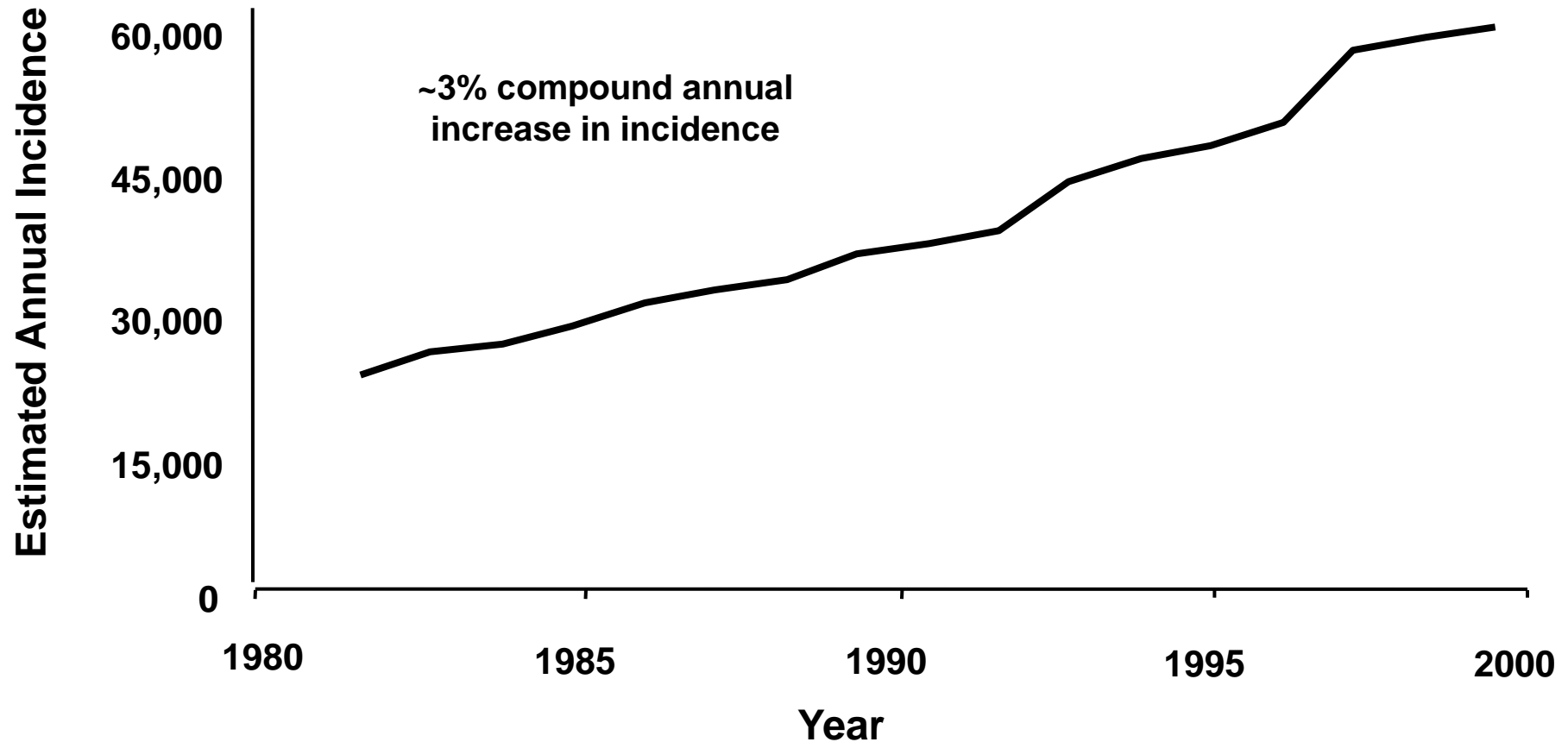
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma, Males
Age-Standardized incidence rate per 100,000



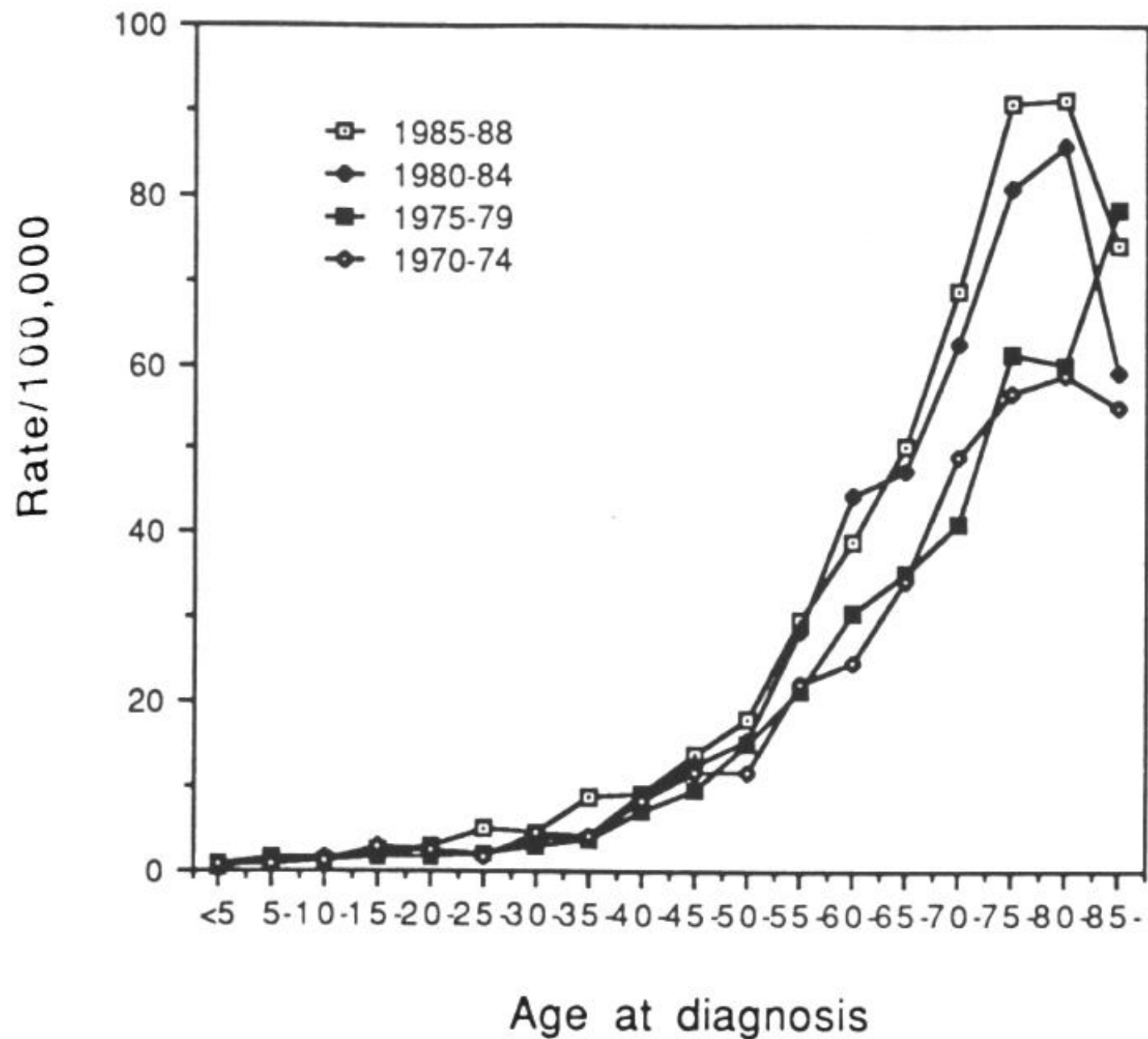
■ < 4.0 ■ < 5.2 ■ < 6.6 ■ < 8.6 ■ < 17.1

GLOBOCAN 2002, IARC

Estimated Incidence of Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma in North America



Adapted from Greenlee et al. *CA Cancer J Clin.* 2001;51:15.

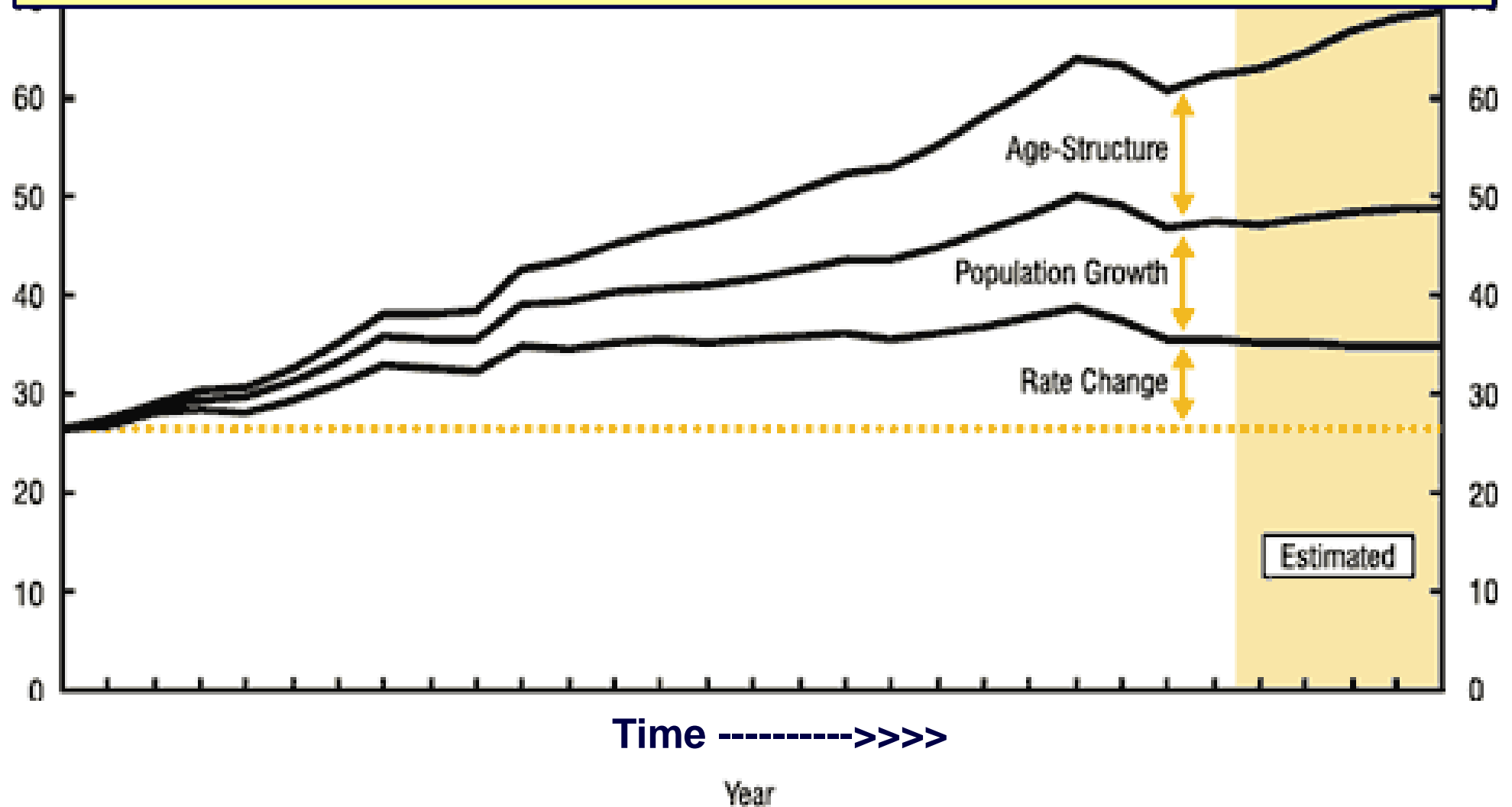


Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma Incidence by Age

Incidence

Cases (000s)

Absolute number of new lymphoid cancer patients doubles every ~15 y

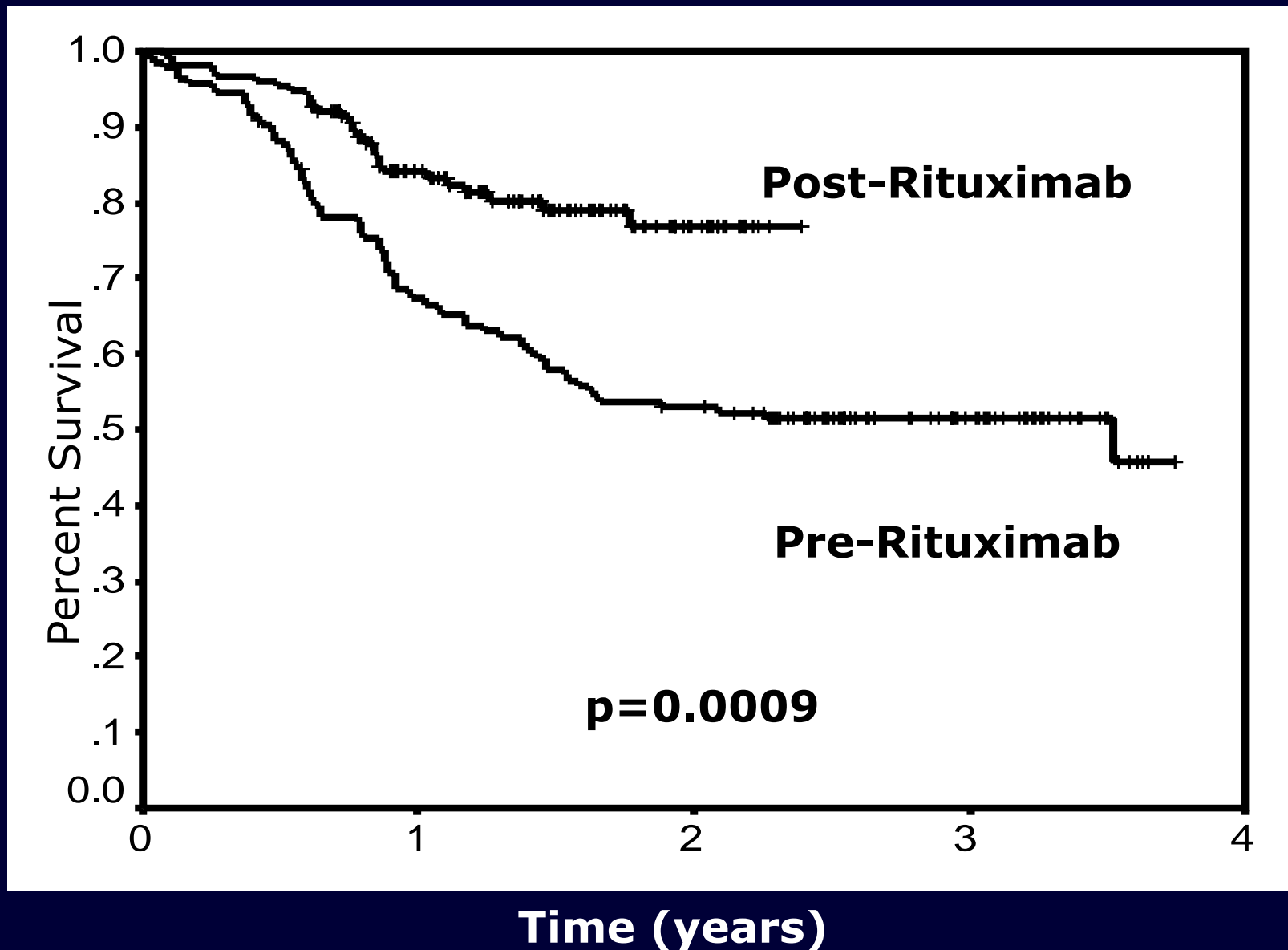


Evolution of Treatment of NHL

Diffuse Large B cell Lymphoma as an Example

- 1970s Incurable, median survival ~ 6 months
 - 1970s Borrowed empiric chemoTx from Hodgkin lymphoma
 Cure ~ 35 %
 - 1980-90s Improved classification, supportive care
 Cure ~ 50 %
 - 1980-90s 10^6 s of \$; 10^3 s clinical trial patients; 12s of “new”
 chemoTx regimens
 Cure ~ 50 %
 - 2000s Add monoclonal Ab (rituximab), more 10^6 s/1000s/12s
 Cure ~ 70 %
- 1980-2010 spent $10^2 \times 10^6$ \$, in 10^2 clinical trials enrolling 10^3 patients to add one agent and go from 50 % to 70 % survival

Overall Survival by Treatment Era (n = 294)



Lymphoid Cancer: How Research Improves Treatment

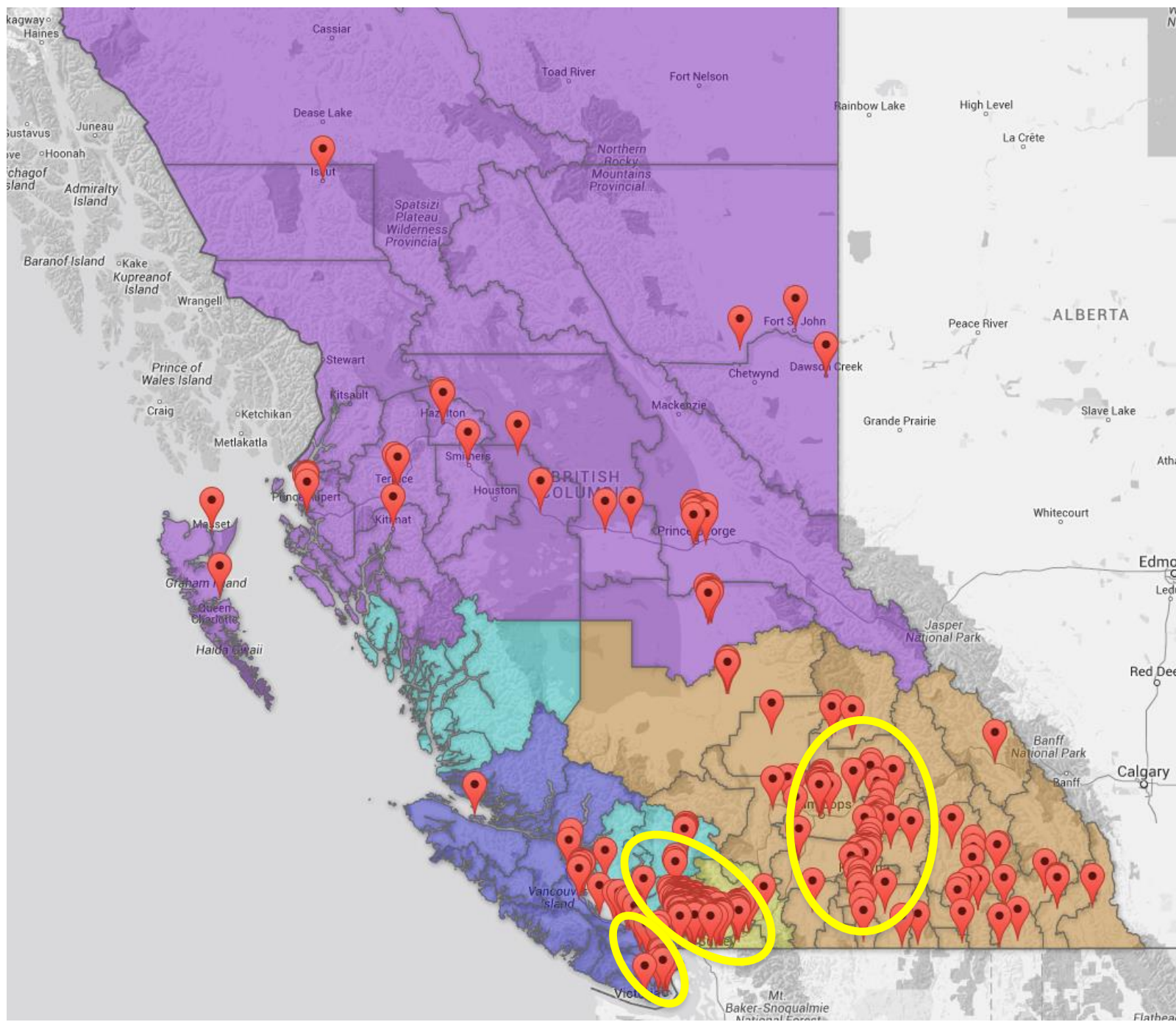
Treatment old way

- Empiric
- Asses
- Non
- Toxic
- No p


Necessary

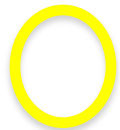
- Deeper understanding of fundamental genetic control of neoplastic cells = ultrafine detail genomics
- Somatic - Identification of key control elements
- Constitutional – predisposing genetic characteristics

- Non-toxic
- Prevention & early detection enabled by genotype recognition



- Northern Health
- Interior Health
- Fraser Health
- Vancouver Coastal Health
- Island Health

 = Home location of individual participant

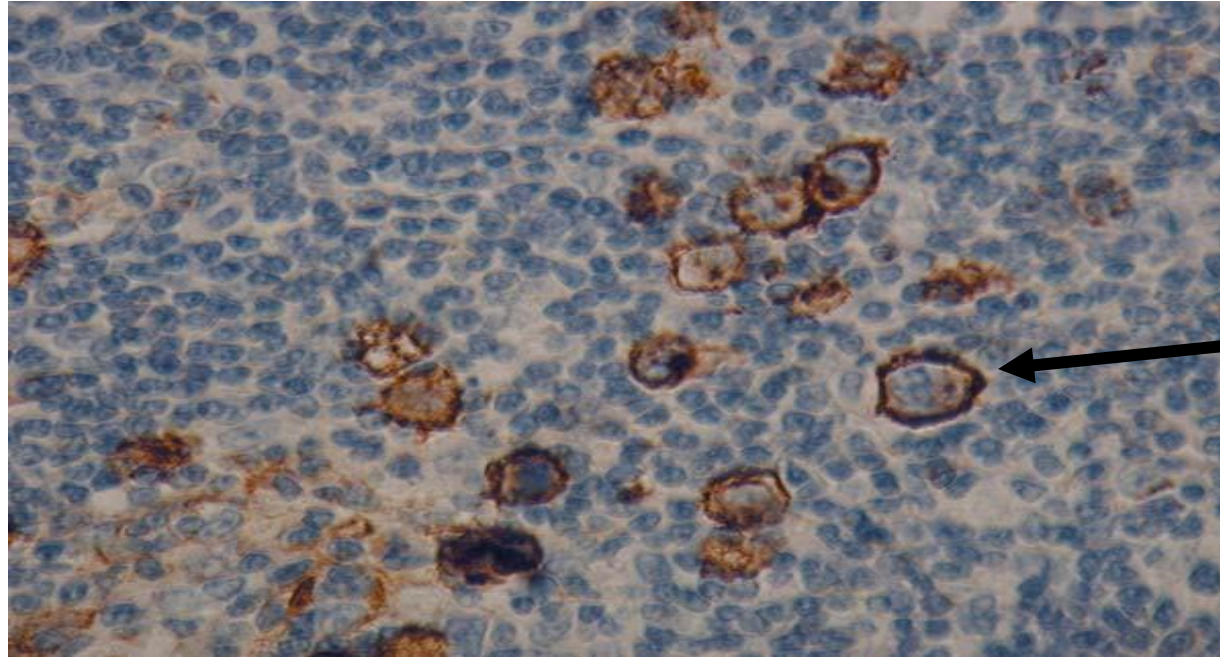
 = ~75% of provincial population

Hodgkin Lymphoma





CD30: A Rational Target in HL

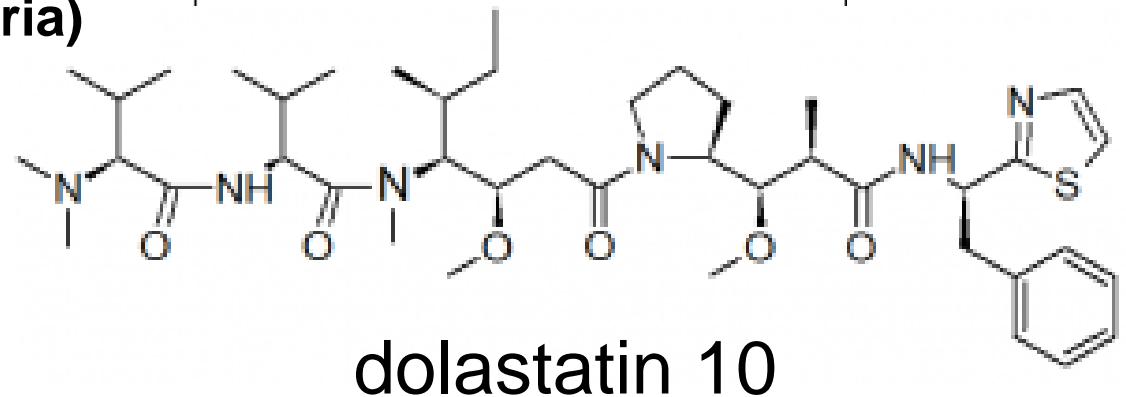


Hodgkin Reed-Sternberg (HRS) cell

- Expressed on virtually all HRS cells¹
- Very low expression on normal cells²
- In healthy tissue, limited to small numbers of activated B and T lymphocytes and natural killer cells²

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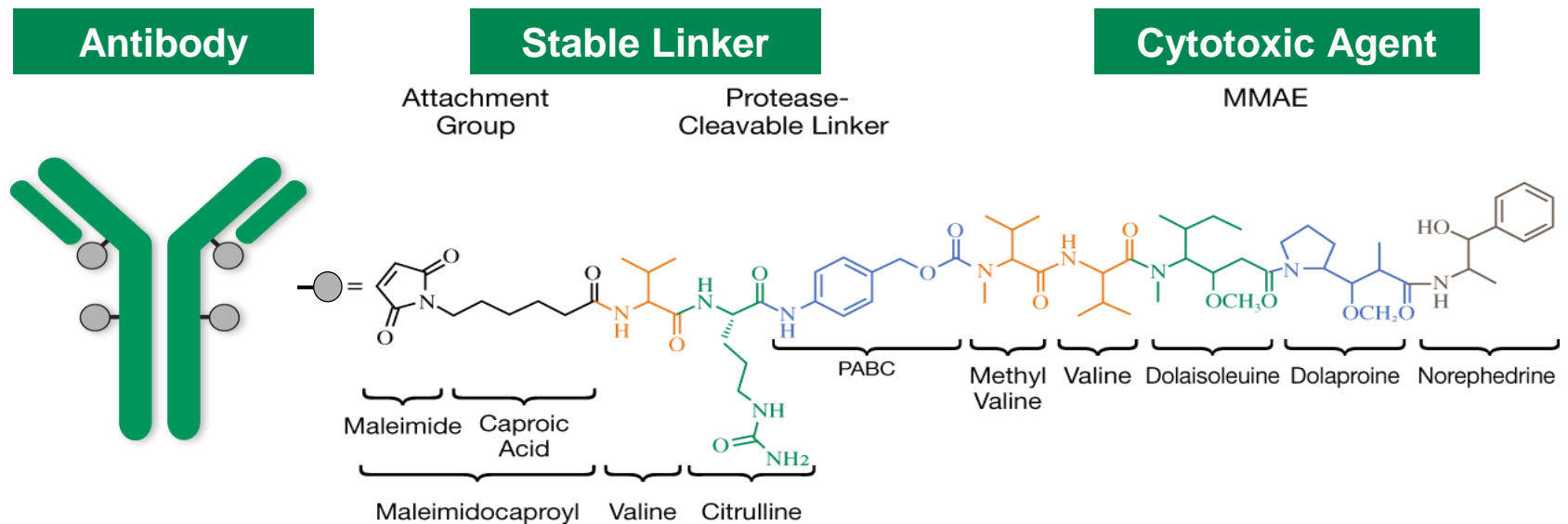
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Secret: dolastatins are in fact produced by the cyanobacteria *Symploca hydroides* and *Lyngbya majuscula*, which are part of the sea hare's diet.

ADC Technology: Brentuximab Vedotin (Adcetris®)

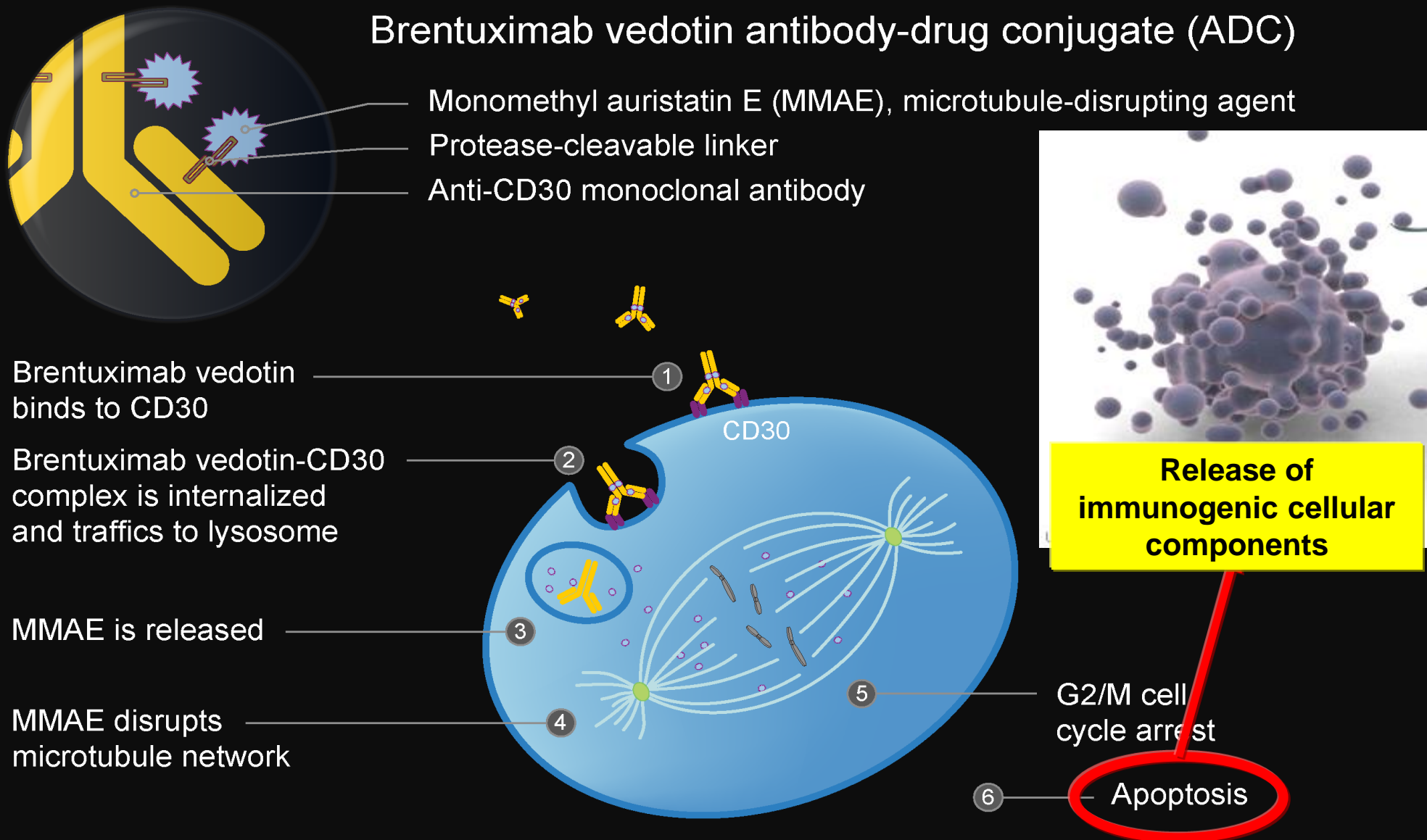
- Brentuximab-vedotin consists of 3 components^{1,2}
 - The antibody cAC10, specific for human CD30
 - A protease-cleavable linker that covalently attaches MMAE to cAC10
 - Monomethyl auristatin E (MMAE), is an anti-microtubule agent



1. Okeley, *Clin Cancer Res.* 2010;16:888-897

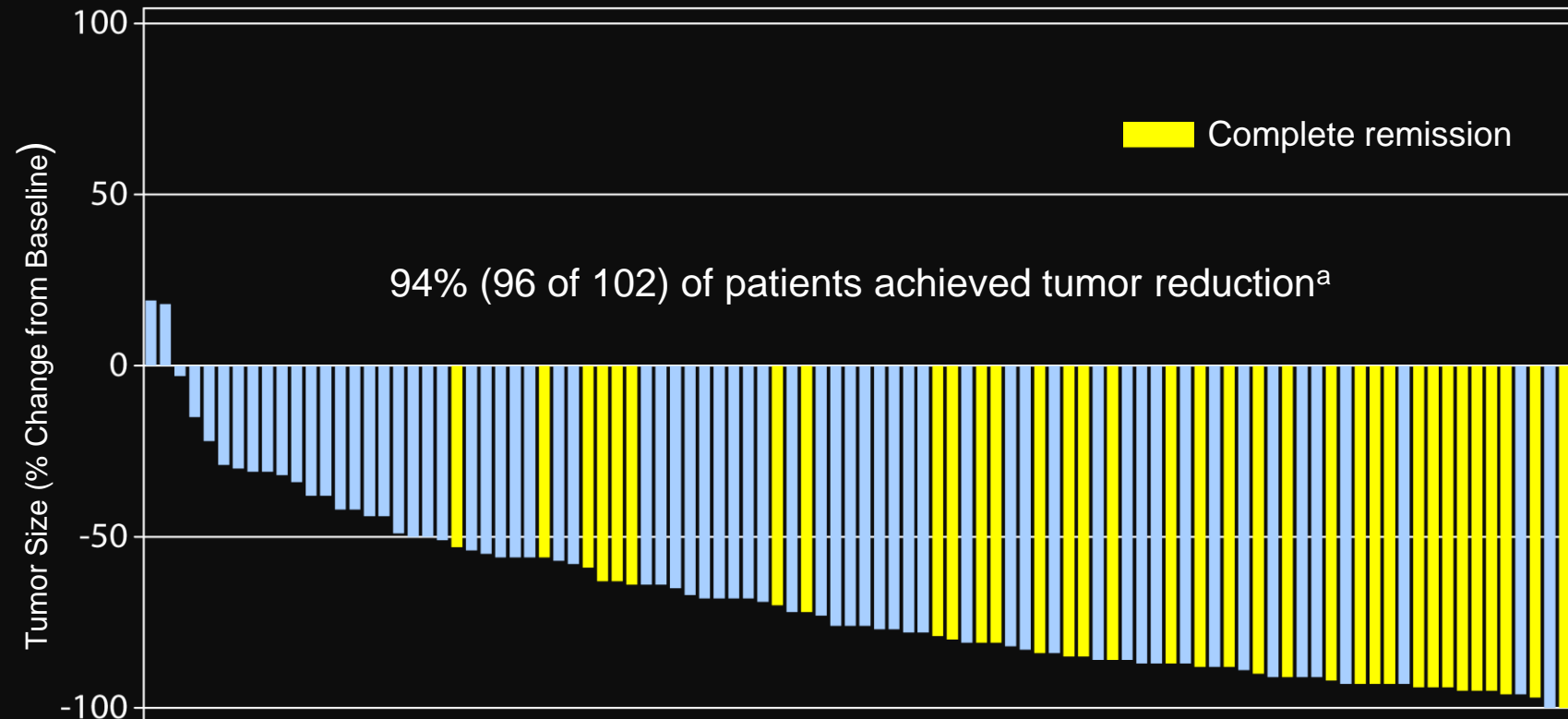
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Brentuximab Vedotin Mechanism of Action

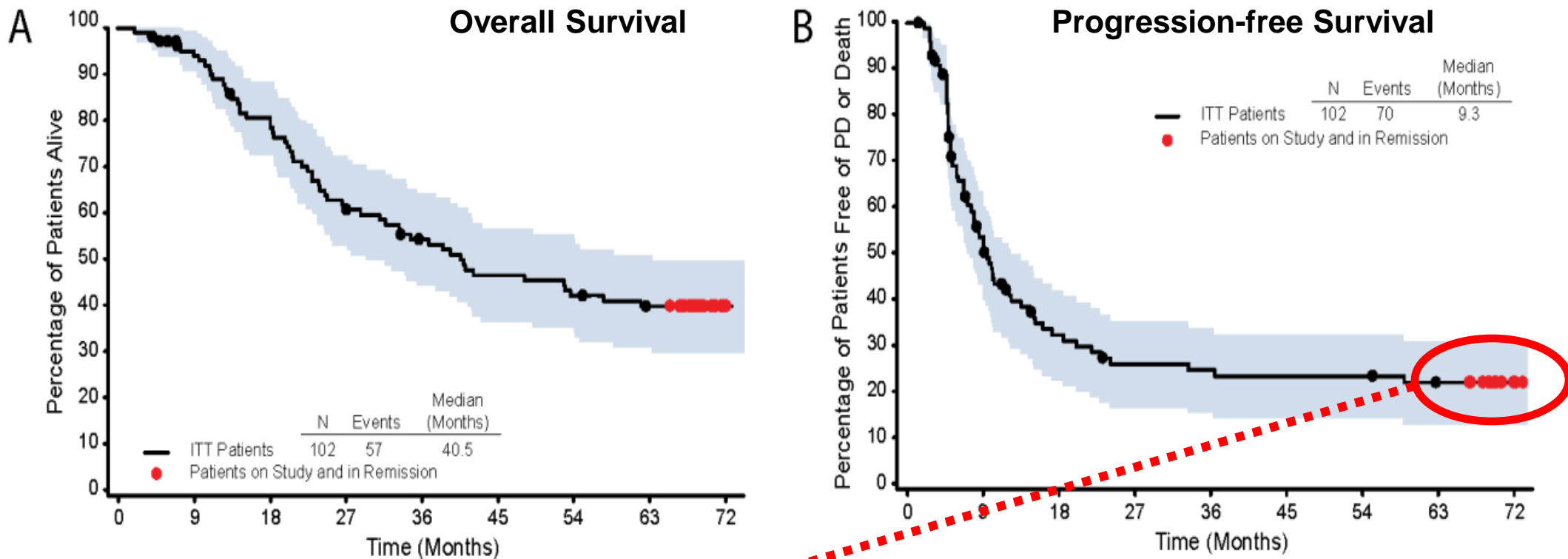


Brentuximab Vedotin in Relapsed/Refractory HL

- Pivotal study in 102 pts with relapsed/refractory HL after ASCT
- 75% objective response rate with brentuximab vedotin
- 34% complete response rate



Brentuximab Vedotin in Relapsed/Refractory HL



n = 13

4 transplant after Bv

9 no addn'l Tx

> 9% overall and almost 40% of CRs may have been cured with brentuximab vedotin alone

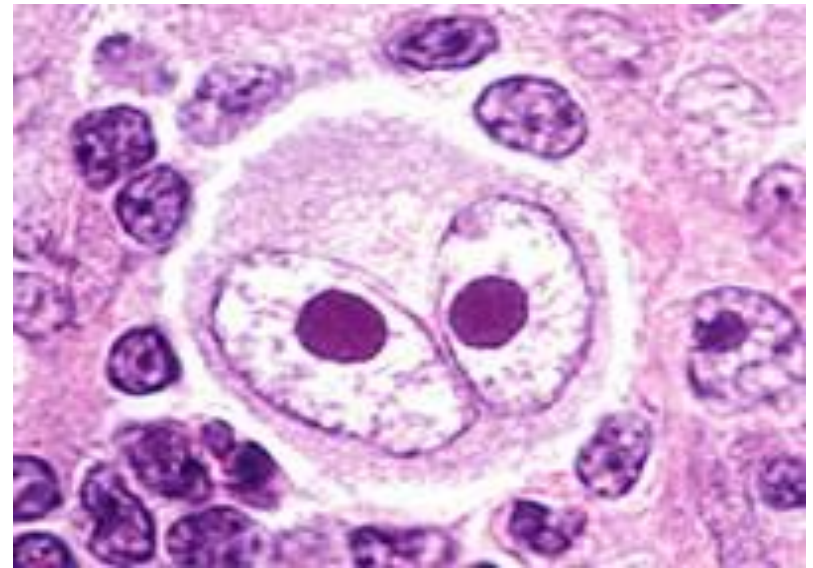


Hodgkin lymphoma - A paradigm for the importance of the microenvironment



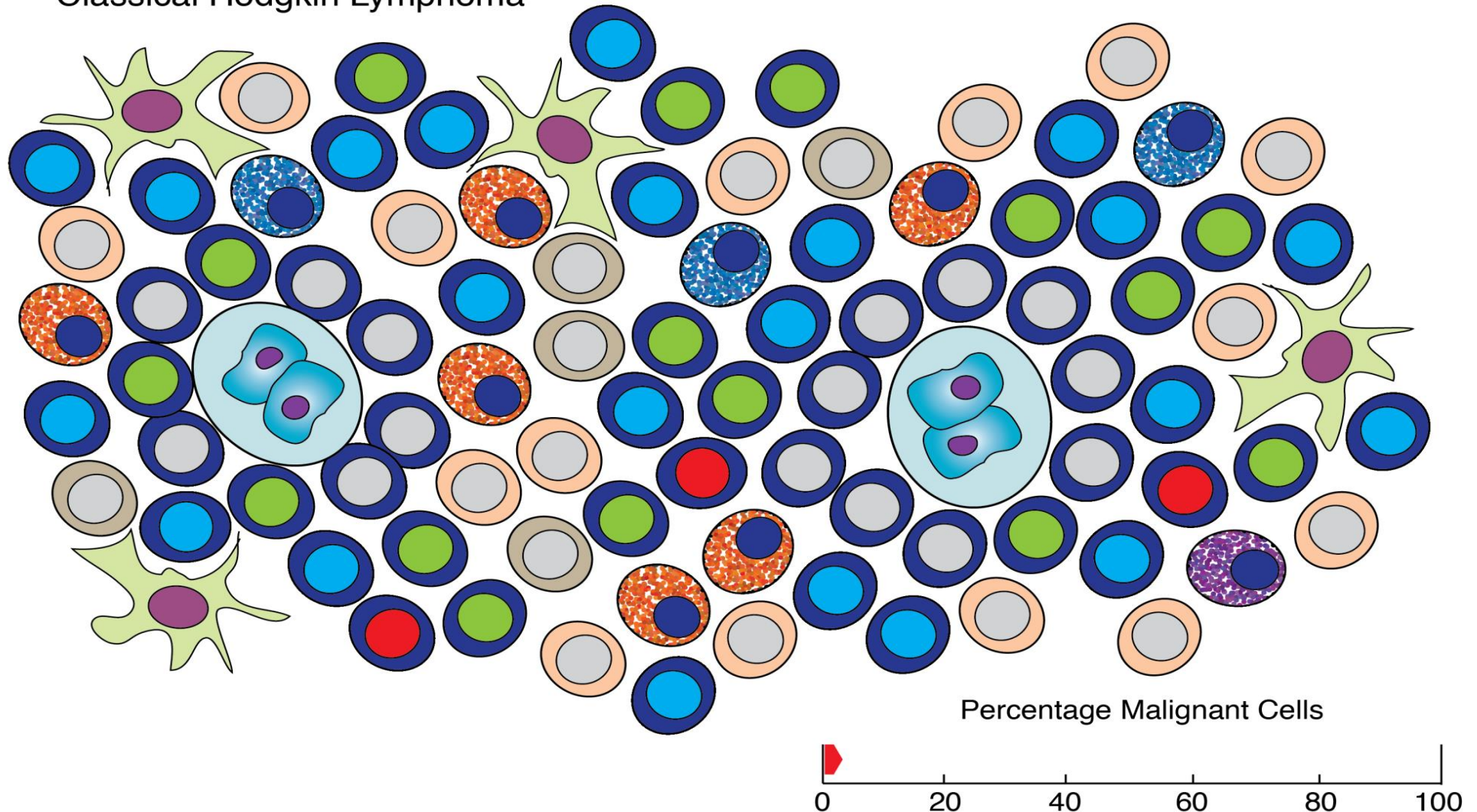
**Dorothy Reed Mendenhall
(1874-1964)**

Reed Sternberg cell



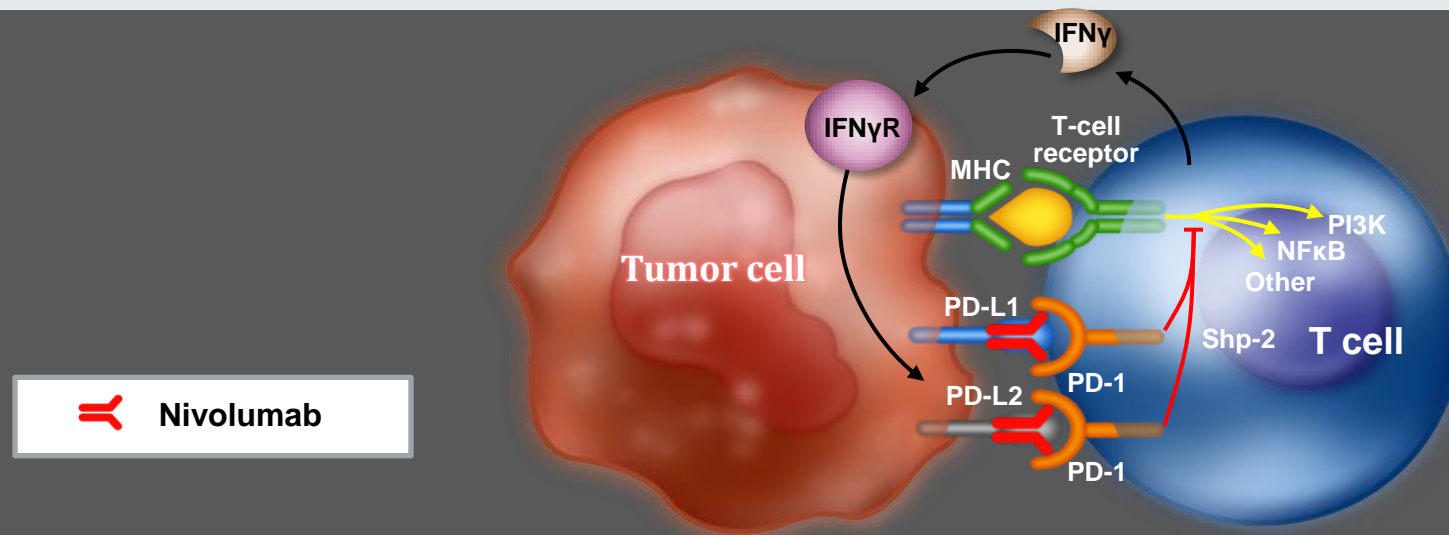
The microenvironment in classical HL is unique

Classical Hodgkin Lymphoma



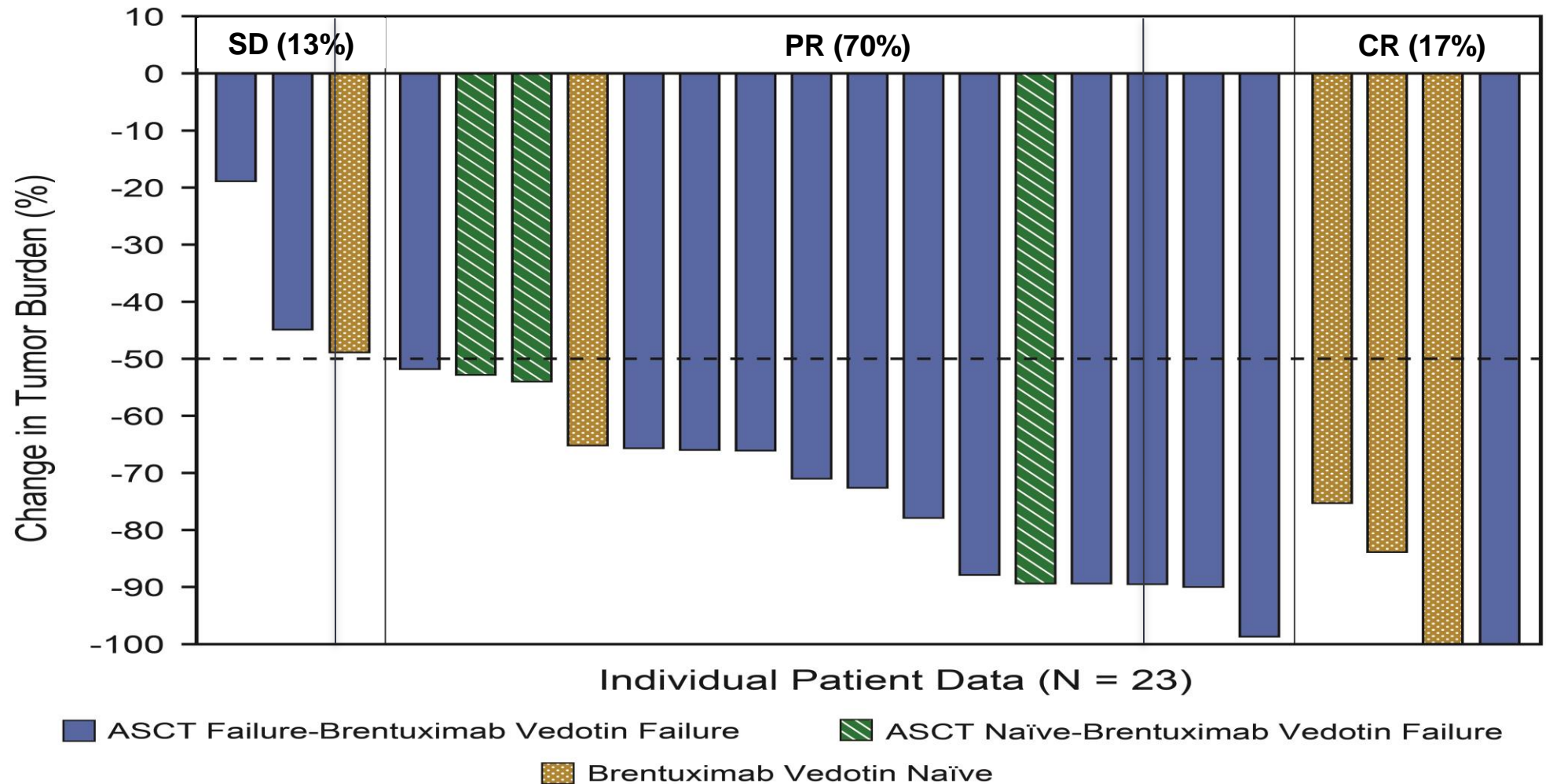
Background

- PD-1 engagement by its ligands results in transient down-regulation of T-cell function (T-cell exhaustion).
- Nivolumab is a fully human IgG4 anti-PD-1 antibody which selectively blocks the PD-1 and PD-L1/PD-L2 interaction.



- PD-1 blockade through monoclonal antibody therapy has single-agent activity in a range of solid tumors.

Best Response



Immunotherapy with CD19-specific chimeric antigen receptor-modified T cells of defined subset composition for B cell NHL

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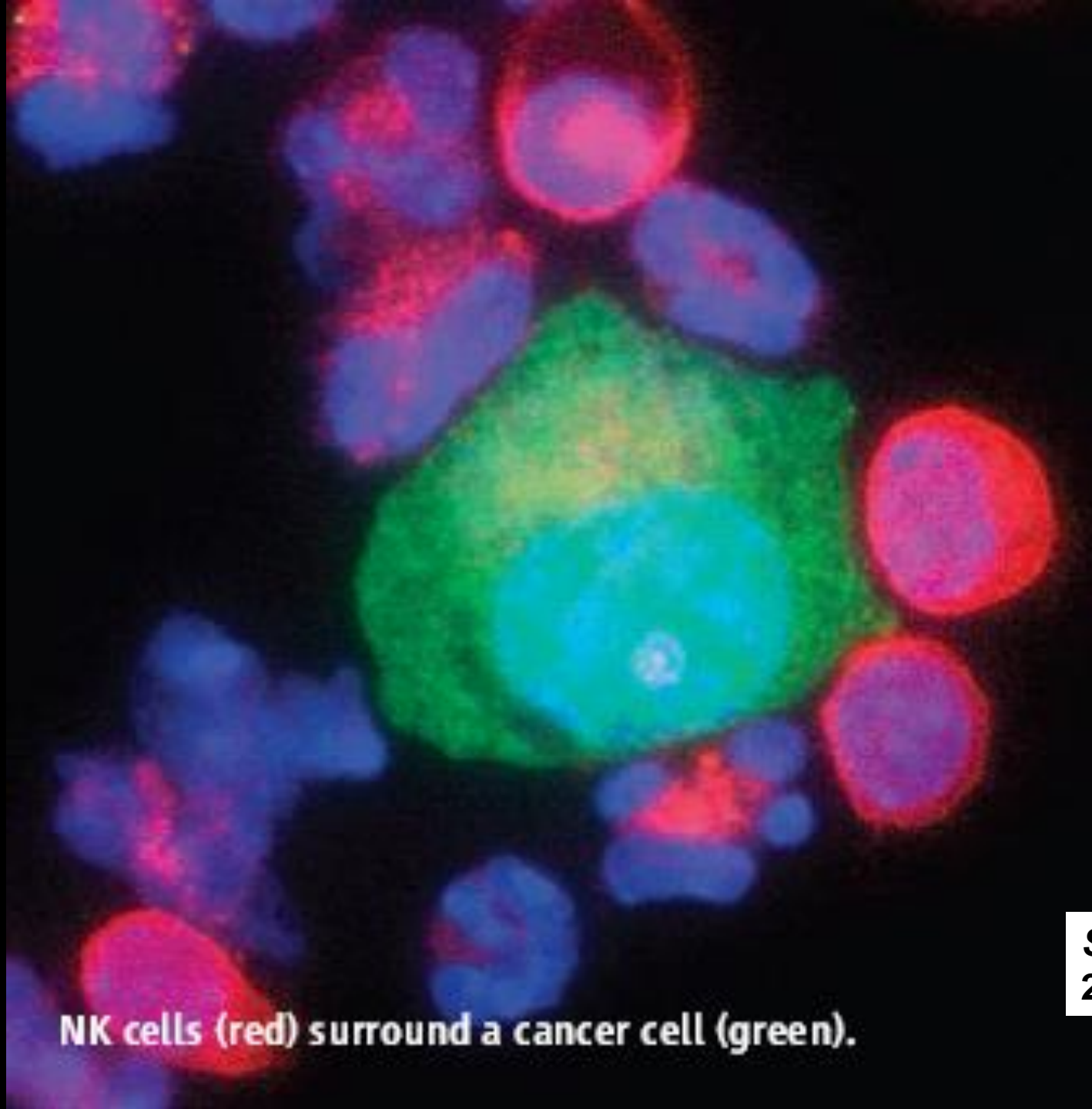


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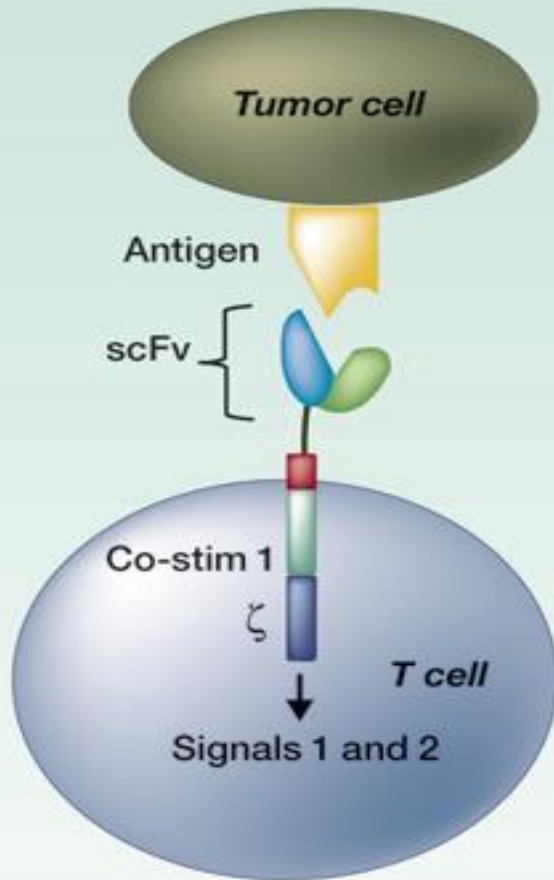


Cytotoxic T-cells attacking an infected cell

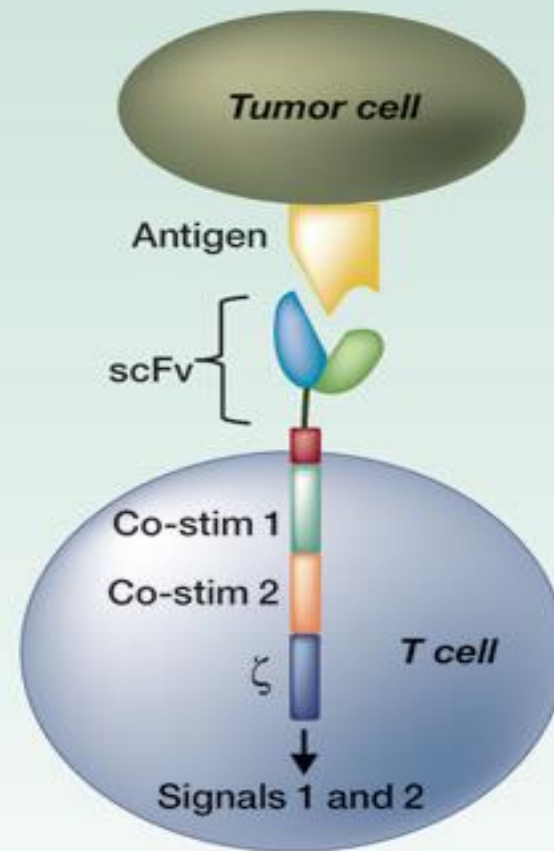


NK cells (red) surround a cancer cell (green).

Science,
2006;312:974



2nd generation CAR signaling



3rd generation CAR signaling

New Therapeutic Agents for Lymphoproliferative Neoplasms

• New agents	\$ / patient / course
• CHOP	600
• Rituximab single agent	12,000
• Rituximab + chemo	24,000
• Thalidomide	44,000
• Alemtuzumab	36,000
• Bortezomib	42,000
• Brentuximab vedotin	135,000
• Ibrutinib	100,000/y
• CAR-T-cell immunotherapy	> 500,000

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