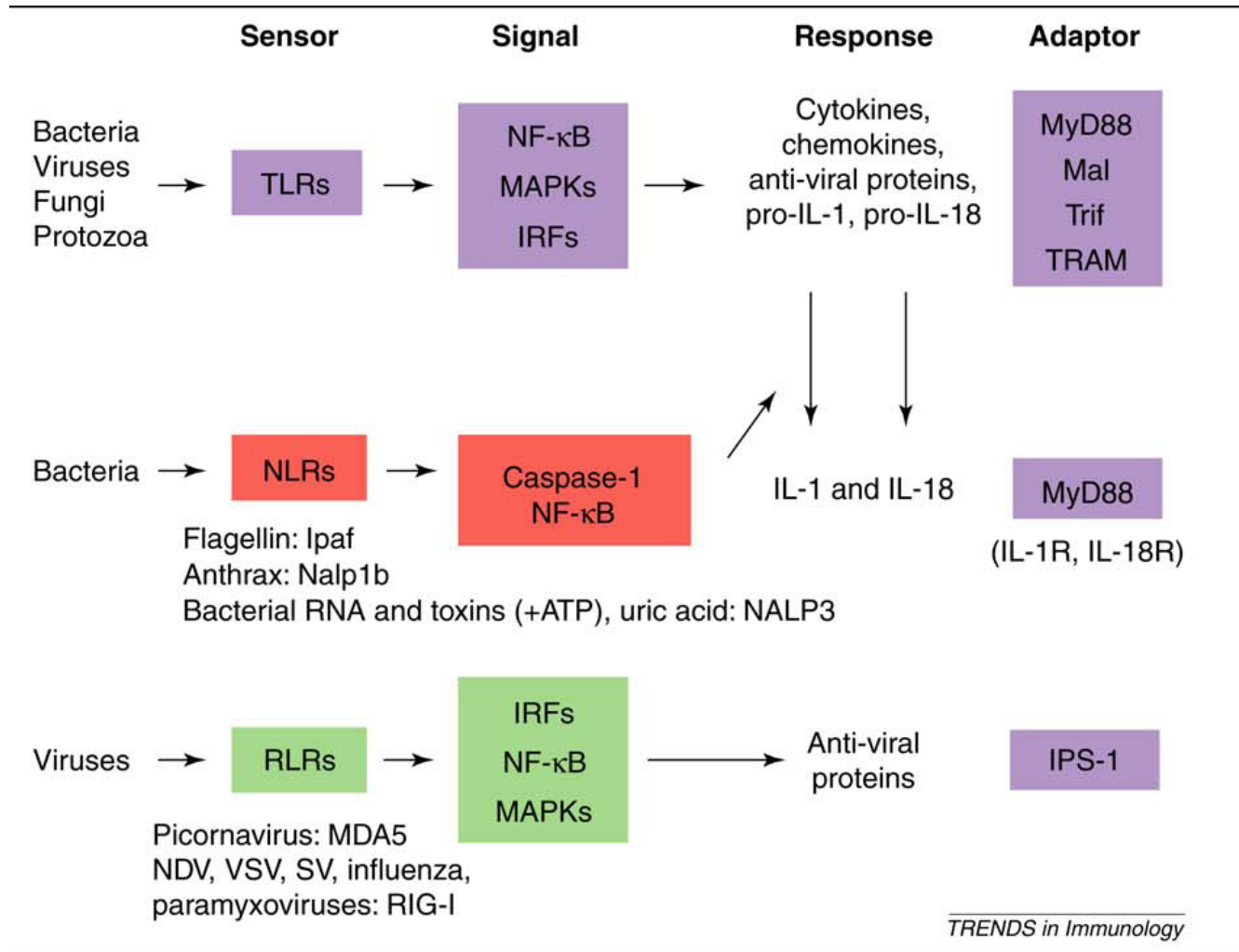


Breakfast Seminar
Inflammasome and Allergic Diseases

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A Trinity of Pathogen Sensors: Team work in Innate Immunity



NOD1 & NOD2 recognize peptidoglycan substructures and promote innate immune responses

Table 1. The NLR Family

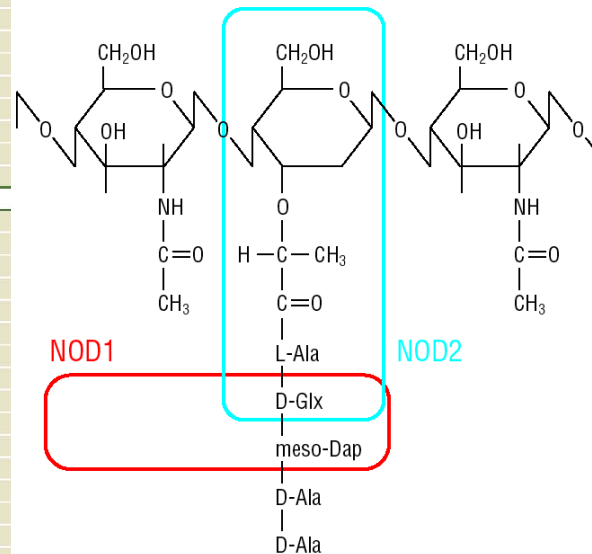
Subfamily	Human	Mouse	N Terminus	Other Names	
NLRA	CIITA		CARD	NLRA;MHCIIA;C2TA	
		<i>Ciita</i>	CARD	<i>Nlra</i> ; <i>MHCIIA</i> ; <i>C2ta</i>	
NLRB	NAIP		BIR	BIRC1;CLR5.1	
		<i>Naip1-7</i>	BIR	<i>Birc1e-g</i>	
NLRC	NOD1		CARD	NLRC1;CARD4;CLR7.1	
		<i>Nod1</i>	CARD	<i>Nlrc1</i> ; <i>Card4</i>	
	NOD2		CARD	NLRC2;CARD15;CD;BLAU;IBD1;PSORAS1; CLR16.3	
		<i>Nod2</i>	CARD	<i>Nlrc2</i> ; <i>Card15</i>	
	NLRC3		CARD ^a	NOD3;CLR16.2	
		<i>Nlrc3</i>	CARD ^a	<i>Cir16.2</i>	
NLRC4			CARD	IPAF;CARD12;CLAN;CLR2.1	
		<i>Nlrc4</i>	CARD	<i>Ipafl</i> ; <i>Card12</i> ; <i>CLAN</i>	
NLRC5			CARD ^a	NOD27;NOD4;CLR16.1	
		<i>Nlrc5</i>	CARD ^a		
NLRP	NLRP1		PYD	NALP1;CARD7;NAC;DEFCAP;CLR17.1	
		<i>Nlrp1a-c</i>	PYD	<i>Naip1a-c</i>	
	NLRP2		PYD	NALP2;PYPAF2;NBS1;PAN1;CLR19.9	
		<i>Nlrp2</i>	PYD	<i>Naip2</i> ; <i>Pyfaf2</i> ; <i>Nbs1</i> ; <i>Pan1</i>	
	NLRP3		PYD	NALP3;Cryopyrin;CIAS1;PYPAF1;CLR1.1	
		<i>Nlrp3</i>	PYD	<i>Naip3</i> ; <i>Cryopyrin</i> ; <i>Cias1</i> ; <i>Pyfaf1</i> ; <i>Mmig1</i>	
	NLRP4			PYD	NALP4;PYPAF4;PAN2;RNH2;CLR19.5
			<i>Nlrp4a</i>	PYD	<i>Naip4a</i> ; <i>Naip-ota</i> ; <i>Naip0D</i>
		<i>Nlrp4b</i>	PYD	<i>Naip4b</i> ; <i>Naip-gamma</i> ; <i>Naip9E</i>	
		<i>Nlrp4c</i>	PYD	<i>Naip4c</i> ; <i>Naip-alpha</i> ; <i>RNH2</i>	
		<i>Nlrp4d</i>	PYD	<i>Naip4d</i> ; <i>Naip-beta</i>	
		<i>Nlrp4e</i>	PYD	<i>Naip4e</i> ; <i>Naip-epsilon</i>	
		<i>Nlrp4f</i>	PYD	<i>Naip4f</i> ; <i>Naip-kappa</i> ; <i>Naip9F</i>	
	<i>Nlrp4g</i>	PYD	<i>Naip4g</i>		
NLRP5		PYD	NALP5;PYPAF8;MATER;PAN11;CLR19.8		
	<i>Nlrp5</i>	PYD	<i>Mater</i> ; <i>Op1</i>		
NLRP6			PYD	NALP6;PYPAF5;PAN3;CLR11.4	
		<i>Nlrp6</i>	PYD	<i>Naip6</i>	
NLRP7		PYD	NALP7;PYPAF3;NOD12;PAN7;CLR19.4		
NLRP8		PYD	NALP8;PAN4;NOD16;CLR19.2		
NLRP9			PYD	NALP9;NOD6;PAN12;CLR19.1	
		<i>Nlrp9a</i>	PYD	<i>Naip9a</i> ; <i>Naip-theta</i>	
		<i>Nlrp9b</i>	PYD	<i>Naip9b</i> ; <i>Naip-delta</i>	
	<i>Nlrp9c</i>	PYD	<i>Naip9c</i> ; <i>Naip-zeta</i>		
NLRP10		PYD	NALP10;PAN5;NOD8;PYNOD;CLR11.1		
	<i>Nlrp10</i>	PYD	<i>Naip10</i> ; <i>Pynod</i>		
NLRP11			PYD	NALP11;PYPAF6;NOD17;PAN10;CLR19.6	
			PYD		
NLRP12			PYD	NALP12;PYPAF7;Monarch1;RNOS;PAN6;CLR19.3	
		<i>Nlrp12</i>	PYD	<i>Naip12</i>	
NLRP13			PYD	NALP13;NOD14;PAN13;CLR19.7	
			PYD		

Table 1. Continued

Subfamily	Human	Mouse	N Terminus	Other Names
NLRP14			PYD	NALP14;NOD5;PAN8;CLR11.2
		<i>Nlrp14</i>	PYD	<i>Naip14</i> ; <i>Naip-iota</i> ; <i>GC-LRR</i>
NLRX1			CARD ^a	NOD9;CLR11.3
		<i>NlrX1</i>	CARD ^a	

This table is adapted from Kanneganti et al. (2006) and Bryant and Fitzgerald (2009).

^a Currently disputed as to whether it contains a CARD, PYD, or another N terminus binding domain.



NOD1 and NOD2 are intracellular molecules and resemble some plant disease resistance proteins; best understood of the “NOD-like receptors” or NLRs

Plants

RPS4 (*Arabidopsis*)

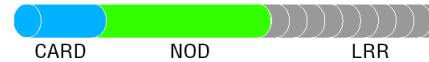


RX (potato)



Mammals

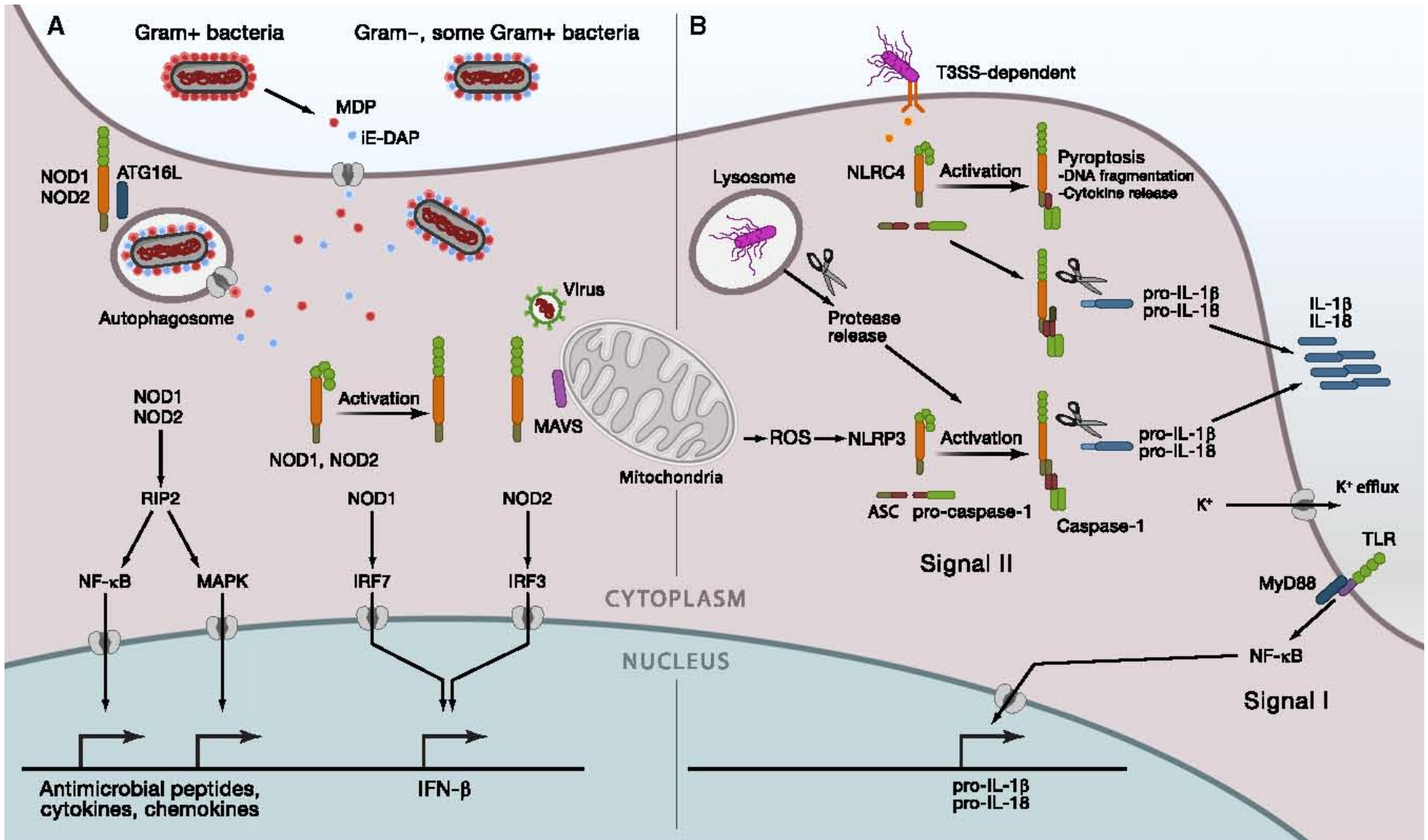
NOD1



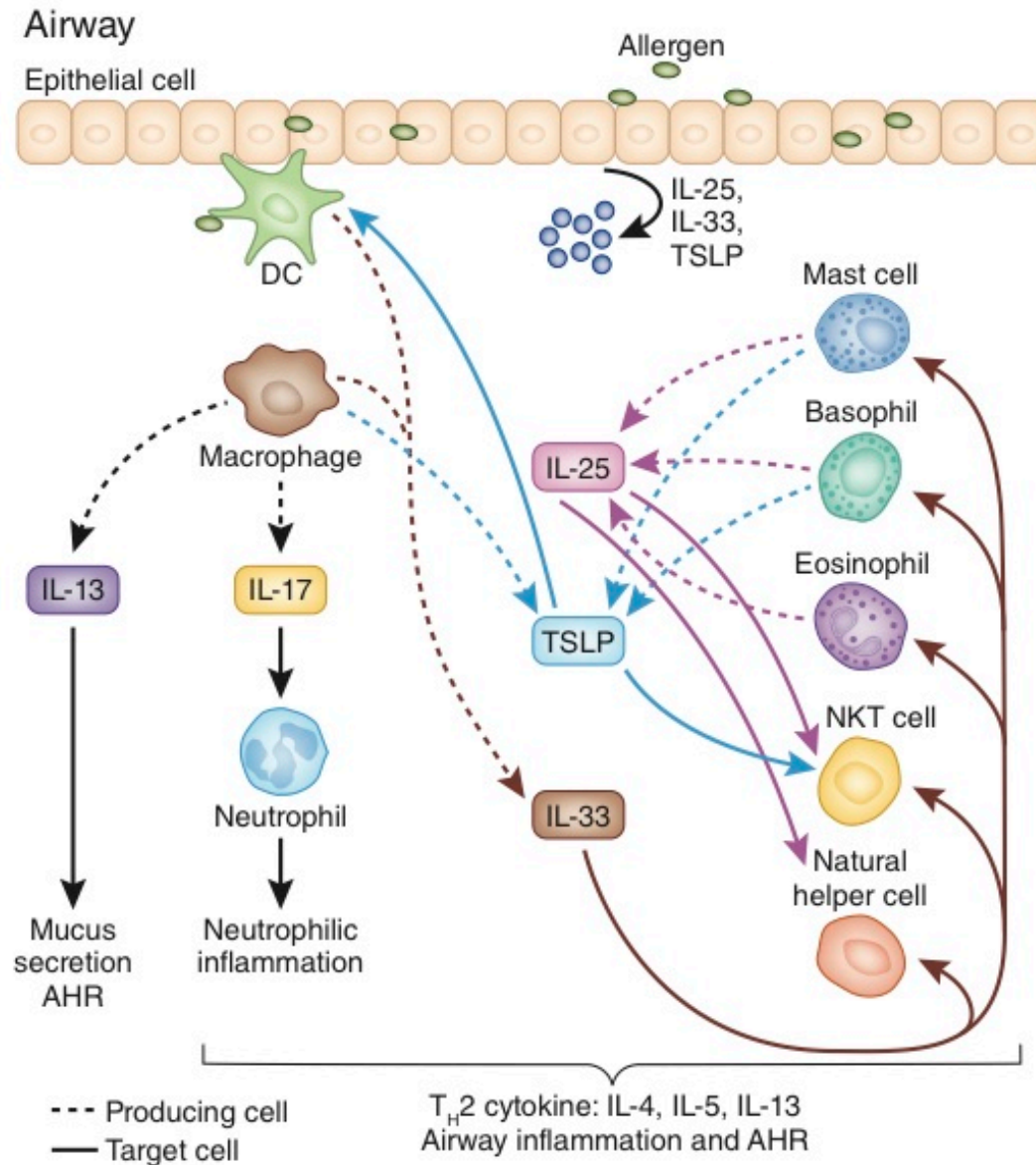
NOD2



Crosstalk between TLR and NLR pathways



Newly Identified Cells and Cytokines of the Innate Immune System in Asthma



NLRP3 inflammasome is required in murine asthma in the absence of aluminum adjuvant

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- Used an adjuvant-free model of allergic lung inflammation induced by ovalbumin (OVA) to investigate the role of NLRP3 inflammasome and related it to IL-1R1 signaling pathway.
- Employed mice deficient in NLRP3 inflammasome, and examined IL-1R1, IL-1 β or IL-1 α . Eosinophil recruitment, Th2 cytokine, and chemokine levels were determined in bronchoalveolar lavage fluid, lung homogenates, and mediastinal lymph node cells ex vivo.
- Allergic airway inflammation depends on NLRP3 inflammasome activation. Dendritic cell recruitment into lymph nodes, Th2 lymphocyte activation in the lung and secretion of Th2 cytokines and chemokines are reduced in the absence of NLRP3.
- Absence of NLRP3 and IL-1 β is associated with reduced expression of other proinflammatory cytokines such as IL-5, IL-13, IL-33, and thymic stromal lymphopoietin. Furthermore, the critical role of IL-1R1 signaling in allergic inflammation is confirmed in IL-1R1-, IL-1 β -, and IL-1 α -deficient mice.
- NLRP3 inflammasome activation leading to IL-1 production is critical for the induction of a Th2 inflammatory allergic response.

Mite allergen is a danger signal for the skin via activation of inflammasome in keratinocytes

- Investigated whether HDM allergens activate the inflammasome in epidermal keratinocytes.
- Keratinocytes were stimulated with *Dermatophagoides pteronyssinus* (Dp), and examined the activation of caspase-1 and secretion of IL-1 β and IL-18 and analyzed the subcellular distributions of inflammasome proteins.
- Dp activated caspase-1 and induced caspase-1-dependent release of IL-1 β and IL-18 from keratinocytes.
- Dp stimulated assembly of the inflammasome by recruiting apoptosis-associated specklike protein containing a caspase-recruitment domain (ASC), caspase-1, and nucleotide-binding oligomerization domain, leucine-rich repeat and pyrin-domain containing 3 (NLRP3) to the perinuclear region.
- Infection with lentiviral particles carrying ASC, caspase-1, or NLRP3 shRNAs suppressed the release of IL-1 β and IL-18 from the keratinocytes. Activation of the NLRP3 inflammasome by Dp was dependent on cysteine protease activity.
- Thus, house dust mite allergens are danger signals for the skin. In addition, HDM-induced activation of the NLRP3 inflammasome may play a pivotal role in the pathogenesis of atopic dermatitis.

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