# Mechanisms of peripheral tolerance and role of B regulatory cells

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Which human antigen-specific models are we using?

#### Beekeepers:

- Show full allergen tolerance Tr1 cells
- 1000x higher allergen-specific IgG4

Patients and healthy individuals

#### allergen-SIT, biologicals blood, tonsils, biopsies of affected tissues,

3D tissue equivalents



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# It is very difficult to cope with a primed and established immune response

which one will be the first and preferential APC to present the antigen to which T cell subset in which tissue microenvironment



# Aeroallergen-specific T cell frequency in health and allergy





# Beekeepers show way to allergen tolerance

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	Surface markers upregulated in IL-10+ B cells							
	Gene	Expression in IL-10+ B cells						
	CD25 (IL-2RA)	$\uparrow$						
	CD274 (PD-L1)	$\uparrow$						
	CD71 (TFRC)	$\uparrow$						
	CD73 (NT5E)	$\downarrow$						
CD	274	CD71	CD25		CD73			
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Su	Suppressive capacity of IL-10+ B cells				
PBMC B	• -10+/- + PP[ cell	Co-culture	Thymidine incorporation CFSE		

Sorting of CD25+CD71+ B cells







van der Neut Kolfschoten et al., 2007, Science

IgG4 Stimulate Isolate IL-10 secretior 0 Analyze Ig isotypes By qPCR IL-10-Stimulate 6 Sort < 3d 6 B cells 10d IL-10+ assay lgG4 lgG1 IgA IgE 2.0-2.0-20. - IL-10-P<00 IL-10+ • 1.5 1.5 1.0 1.0 1.0 0.5 0.5-0.5 0.0 0.0 0.0

IL-10-secreting B cells express high levels of IgG4



### Beekeepers as a human model to study regulatory B cells



- Develop tolerance to phospolipase-A2 (PLA)<sup>1</sup>
- High PLA-specific IgG4









## PLA-specific B cells produce higher levels of IL-10 in Beekeepers and in beevenom allergic individuals after SIT



# Immune tolerance to allergens in healthy immune response and successful SIT





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- Before sorting Sorted populations negative mediu high 10 10 10 **CD25** 0 10<sup>1</sup>10<sup>2</sup>10 CD71







van de Veen et al. Figure 1

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#### Allergen IL-4 IL-1 I-13 +other activation factors B cells during <u>allergic sensitization</u> Differentiation IgE class switching IgE antibody Production IgE antibody Vige

Allergy-inducing isotype

Th2 cytokines

#### B cells during tolerant response



A subset of B cells A subset of B cells Can produce IL-10 Suppress T cell responses A subset of B cells B cell Differentiation JgG4 class Switching Differentiation Differentiation JgG4 class Switching Differentiation 

# Summary

- Majority of IL-10+ B cells are CD25<sup>hi</sup> CD71<sup>hi</sup> CD274<sup>+</sup>CD73<sup>low</sup>
- IL-10-secreting B cells suppress antigen-specific proliferation
- IL-10-secreting B cells show elevated IgG4 production

#### Beekeepers

- High levels of PLA-specific IgG4
- PLA-specific B cells can produce IL-10 and are mainly IgG4-positive

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	Allergen-specific T cell response
Healthy	No response
	Th0 response in PBMC and specific T
	cell clones with low frequency
	Tr1, particularly IL-10-dominating
	response with relatively high
	frequency
Allergic	Th2 response with varying quantities
	of IL-4, IL-5 and IL-13, detectable IL-
	10 and IFN-γ











# Breaking of peripheral T cell tolerance by blocking IL-10R and HR2



active suppression by IL-10 and histamine via HR2 after multiple bee stings Meiler & Zumkehr et a J.Exp.Med. 2008

Upregulation of HR2 on allergen-specific T cells  $% \left( {{\mathbf{T}_{{\rm{cells}}}} \right)$  by natural bee stings











# Suppressive capacity of IL-10+ B cells



## Sorting of CD25+CD71+ B cells





