

Efficacy of Immune System Challenges with Tiny Enemy COVID-19

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Review Article

ABSTRACT

The objective of this review article was to discuss the interaction between virus effectiveness and host immune system challenges on the innate and adaptive on how the immune system able to defend against COVID-19 viral infections. Genetically, the COVID-19 is a virus that has genetic material coated by lipid with a crown of protein. The virus that causes COVID-19 is called severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus two (SARS-COV-2) and was first detected in humans last December 2019. Primarily, the COVID-19 virus spreads with droplets of saliva or nose discharge when an infected person sneezes or coughs. Most people with a healthy immune system those infected with the COVID-19 virus showed mild to moderate respiratory illness and recovered without needing special treatment. The aged people those had medical problems such as cardiovascular disease, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease, and cancer are most likely to develop serious illness. In-conclusion: Little is known about viral clearance, but regulation innate immune response associated with development of adaptive immunity neutralizing antibodies, memory T and B lymphocytes in convalescent patients raises hope for active immunization.

Keywords: COVID-19, Convalescent Plasma, Angiotensin-converting enzyme 2, Immune responses, B.C.G. vaccine

Introduction

Primary immune response to respiratory virus infection

Coronaviruses (COVs) are the largest group of known positive-sense RNA viruses having an extensive range of natural hosts, newly evolved Coronaviruses have posed a global threat to public health. The immune response is essential to control and eliminate COV infections, however, immune responses may result in immunopathology and

impaired the pulmonary gas exchange that persistence with development the inflammation in the lungs (1). Most studies addressing T-cell responses to respiratory virus infections (2). Start of the immune response against pathogens invading begins with direct infection of airway epithelium. Following initial infection and lung resident respiratory dendritic cells (rDCs) that acquired the invading antigens or pathogen from epithelial cells infected and become activated. Process antigen and migrate to drain to the mediastinal and cervical lymph nodes (DLN). However, once the infection in the DLNs and rDCs present, the processed antigen in form of MHC-peptide complex to naive circulating T cells. Following engagement of the T cell receptor (TCR) with peptide-MHC complex and additional co-stimulation signals, T cells become activated, proliferate strongly, and migrate to the site of infection (Figure 1) (3). At the site of infection,

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activated virus specific effector T cells secrete antiviral cytokines as interferon gamma (IFN- γ), tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNF- α) and interleukin-two, chemokine-XC-ligand 9CXCL-9, chemokine10 and 11 and cytotoxic substances (perforin and agranzyme B) (4). Effector cytokines as IFN- γ directly inhibit replication viral and enhance presentation antigen (5). The chemokines produced by activated T cells recruit too more innate and adaptive cells to control pathogen burden. Cytotoxic molecules such granzyme B directly kill epithelial infected cells and help in eliminate the pathogen (6). SARS-COV-2 is new to humanity so it needs several days for antiviral T-cell to expand and antibodies to be produced, no protective immunological memory.

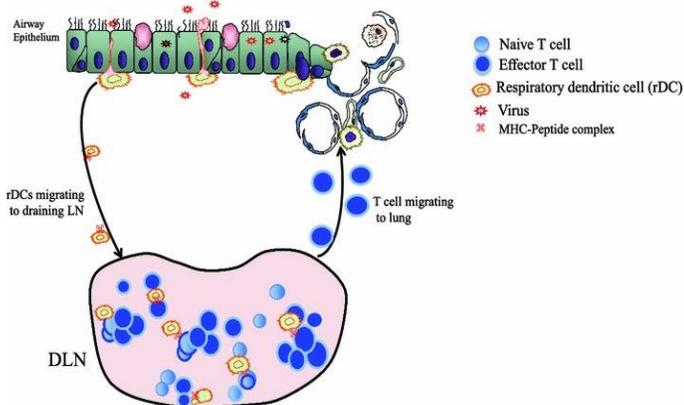


Figure 1. T cell response with respiratory virus infection (3)

The virus replicates before immune cells detected it and alarm raise. Antibody proteins that can adhere to the virus spike proteins and prevent attachment to target cells are called neutralizing antibodies (7), these antibodies are other types of coronaviruses (SARS; MERS) may continue from one to three years.

However, the COVID-19 is a new virus, don't yet know long-lasting antibody responses to Sars-COV-2 would be generated. In COVID-19, the potential mechanisms may lead to lymphocyte deficiency. The virus might directly infected lymphocytes which resulting lymphocyte damage. Lymphocytes express the coronavirus receptor Angiotensin-converting enzyme 2 (ACE2) and may be a direct target of

viruses (8). They might directly destroy lymphatic organs, and the direct damage of novel coronavirus virus to organs such as thymus and spleen. Inflammatory cytokines perhaps leading to lymphocyte apoptosis, TNF- α , interleukin -6, and other pro-inflammatory cytokines could lead lymphocytes deficiency (9). Inhibition of lymphocytes by metabolic molecules might produce by metabolic disorders such as hyperlacticacidemia (10).

Infection Coronavirus regardless of the varies types of corona which is primarily attacked by immune cells as the mast cells (MCs) that located in the submucosa of the respiratory ways and in the nasal cavity and represent a barrier of protection against microbes. Viral activate MCs release early inflammatory chemical granules including histamine and protease; while late activation stimuli the generation of pro-inflammatory interleukin-1family members including IL-1, IL-6 and IL-33 (11).

The BCG Vaccine and Corona

The BCG vaccine was discovered in the 1800s by observation that milkmaids did not develop the tuberculosis. That vaccine is named when its inventors, Dr. Albert Calmette and Dr. Camille Guerin developed it in early 1900 from bacteria *mycobacterium bovis* is a form of tuberculosis that infected cattle (12).

The COVID-19 incidence cases in countries where the vaccine BCG is used with countries where it is not used observed that countries routinely used the vaccine in newborn had more less cases reported of COVID-19 till now, the differences in national demographics and disease burden, test rates for COVID-19 virus infections, and the stage pandemic in each of country would be considered (13).

The vaccine apparently trains the immunity system to recognize and respond to a variety of infections, include viruses, parasites and bacteria (12). Based on BCG capacity to reduce the incidence of respiratory tract infections in children with exert antiviral effects in experimental lab. Model sand to reduce viremia in an experimental human model of viral infection, that suppose is the BCG vaccination induces partial

protection against susceptibility to and/or severity of COVID-19 infection (14).

Treatment with Convalescent Plasma in COVID-19

The using convalescent plasma for the treatment of viral diseases is not new, it has already been tried in the early century of 20th (15), when there was no effective antiviral agent, the therapy plasma has been attempted. Plasma therapy was contributed to severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS), Influenza, Virus Ebola and Middle East respiratory syndrome (MERS-CoV), and it seems to have got effective results (16-18).

Targets of COVID-19 treatment divided into two units. First, it is focus on the virus by destroying the virus itself. However, destroying the virus itself is a concept of disinfection and is some dangerous for individuals in apply. As a therapeutic drug, the inhibit replication of RNA-dependent RNA polymerases Remdesivir drugs inhibit protease as lopinavir//ritonavir (19). The second target is Angiotensin converting enzyme 2 (ACE2) as a gatekeeper and viruses receptor of enter human cells which raising the intracellular pH, glycosylation of ACE2 that might prevented to block the virus corona entry such as chloroquine (20) or can prevent from binding to ACE2 in advance by sticking to the virus protein spike (21).

A plasma therapy itself has complications important, examples are transfusion related acute lung injury (TRALI), anaphylaxis (22) and these complications should be in concerned. There is also the possibility side effects that have been raised recently, it is the antibody dependent enhancement entry (ADE), neutralizing antibodies, once bound to the spike protein of the virus that might cause a conformational change of the spike and consequently that could trigger the paradoxical result of better entry into human cells through the Fc Ig receptor (23,24). Yet this side effect has not been realized, but should be kept in memory in future of treatment plasma and development vaccine. Convalescent plasma therapy gives us a lot hope, but there are challenges to overcome.

In conclusion, little is known about viral clearance, but regulation of innate immune response associated with development of adaptive immunity neutralizing antibodies, memory T and B lymphocytes in convalescent patients raises hope for active immunization.

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فعالية تحديات الجهاز نظام المناعة مع العدوالصغي COVID-19

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الخلاصة

كان الهدف من مقالة المراجعة هذه مناقشة التفاعل بين فعالية الفيروس وتحديات نظام مناعة البدائيه والمكتسبه ضد COVID-19. وراثيا فايروس COVID-19 عباره عن ماده وراثيه محاطة بطبقة دهنية مع وجود تاج بروتيني . إن الفايروس المسبب ل COVID-19 هو فايروس يسمى الفايروس التاجي الحاد كوفيد19 سارس (SARS-COV-2) وتم اكتشافه لأول مرة في البشر في ديسمبر الماضي 2019 بشكل أساسي، ينتشر فيروس COVID 19-مع قطرات من اللعاب أو إفرازات الأنف من الشخص المصاب عندما يعطس أو يسعل.. أظهر معظم الأشخاص الذين لديهم نظام مناعة صحي أولئك المصابين بفيروس COVID 19-مرضا تنفسيا خفيفا إلى متوسط أو تعافوا دون الحاجة إلى علاج خاص من المرجح أن يصاب كبار السن الذين يعانون من مشاكل طبية مثل أمراض القلب والأوعية الدموية والسكري وأمراض الجهاز التنفسي المزمنة والسرطان أن تكون إصابتهم خطيرة. الإستنتاج: بالرغم من قلة المعلومات عن كيفية تخلص الجسم من الفايروس إلغ إنه المناعة البدائية الجيده وتطور المناعة الكتسبة بواسطة الأجسام المضادة المعادله وخلايا اللمفاويه الذاكره T,B المأخوذة من المصابين المتعافين زادت الأمل في الحصول على مناعة مكتسبة فعالة.

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