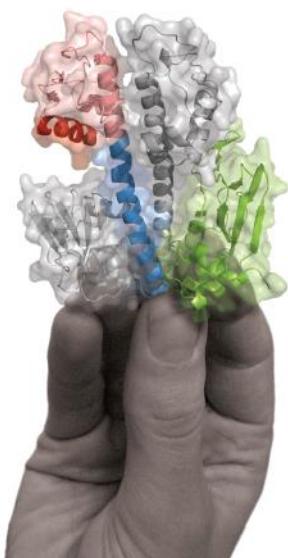




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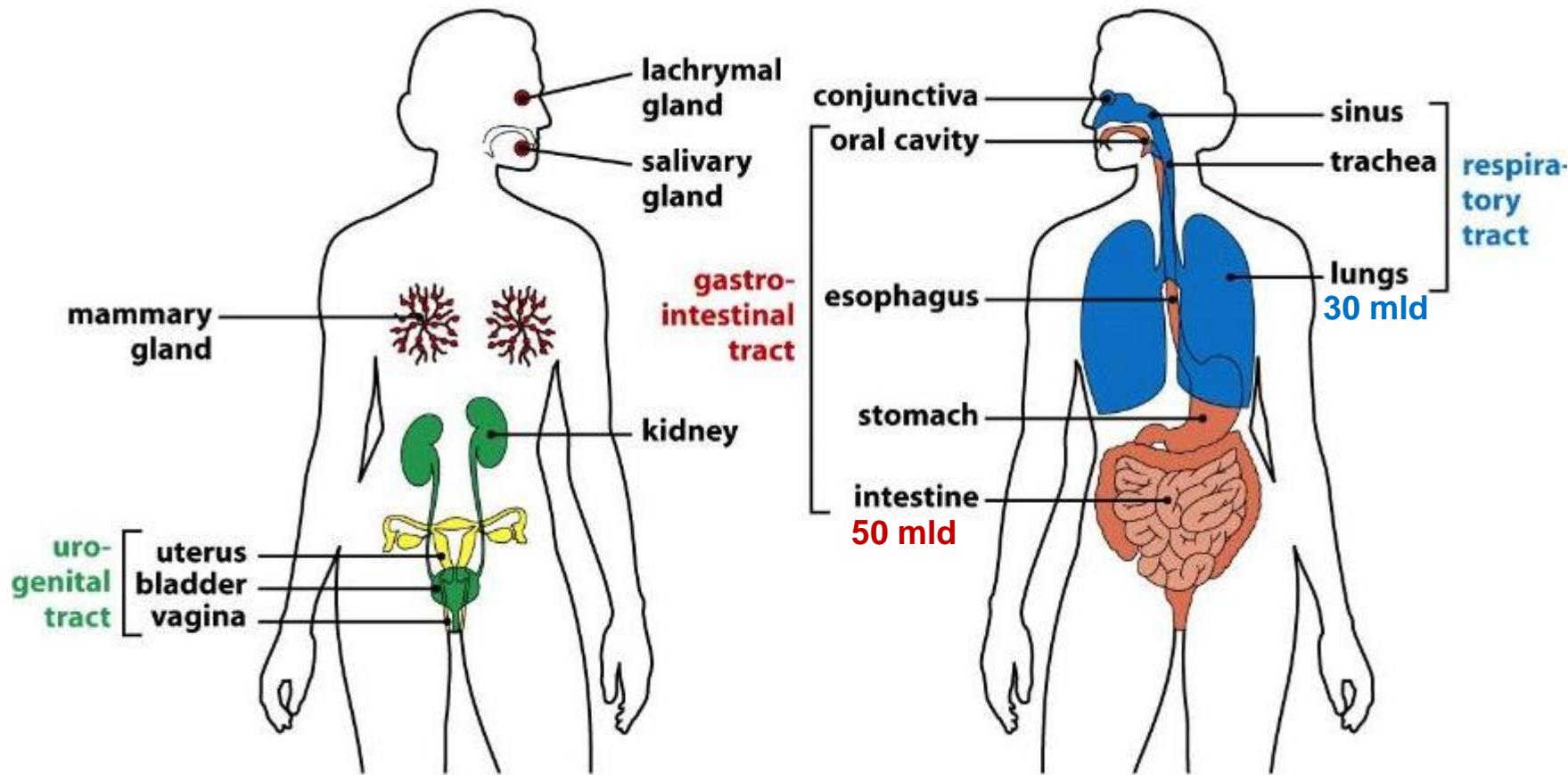
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Mucosal tissues of human body (and lymphocyte numbers)



- *The mucosal immune system forms the largest part of the body's immune tissues:*

- **3/4 of all lymphocytes**
- **producing the majority of immunoglobulins!**

The organization of the mucosal immune system

- The mucosal immune system (**MALT**):

- GI tract (**GALT**)
- Respiratory tract (**BALT, ...**)
- Urogenital tract
- Exocrine glands associated with these organs

The mucosal immune system protects the internal surfaces of the body

Epiteli mucosali

- Funzione di scambio → sottili e permeabili


Vulnerabili all'attacco da parte di microorganismi
- Colonizzati da microorganismi commensali


Esposti a antigeni estranei non patogeni
(microorganismi commensali, cibo)

Sistema di difesa efficiente

- eliminare selettivamente i microorganismi patogeni
- limitare la diffusione dei microorganismi commensali
- non interferire con l'assimilazione di cibo

THE HUMAN

Bacteria, fungi, and viruses outnumber human cells in the body by a factor of 10 to one. The microbes synthesize key nutrients, fend off pathogens and impact everything from weight gain to perhaps even brain development. The Human Microbiome Project is doing a census of the microbes and sequencing the genomes of many. The total body count is not in but it's believed over 1,000 different species live in and on the body.

**25
SPECIES**

in the stomach include:

- *Helicobacter pylori*
- *Streptococcus thermophilus*

**500-
1,000
SPECIES**

in the intestines include:

- *Lactobacillus casei*
- *Lactobacillus reuteri*
- *Lactobacillus gasseri*
- *Escherichia coli*
- *Bacteroides fragilis*
- *Bacteroides thetaiotaomicron*
- *Lactobacillus rhamnosus*
- *Clostridium difficile*

MICROBIOME

**600+
SPECIES**

in the mouth, pharynx and respiratory system include:

- *Streptococcus viridans*
- *Neisseria sicca*
- *Candida albicans*
- *Streptococcus salivarius*

**1,000
SPECIES**

in the skin include:

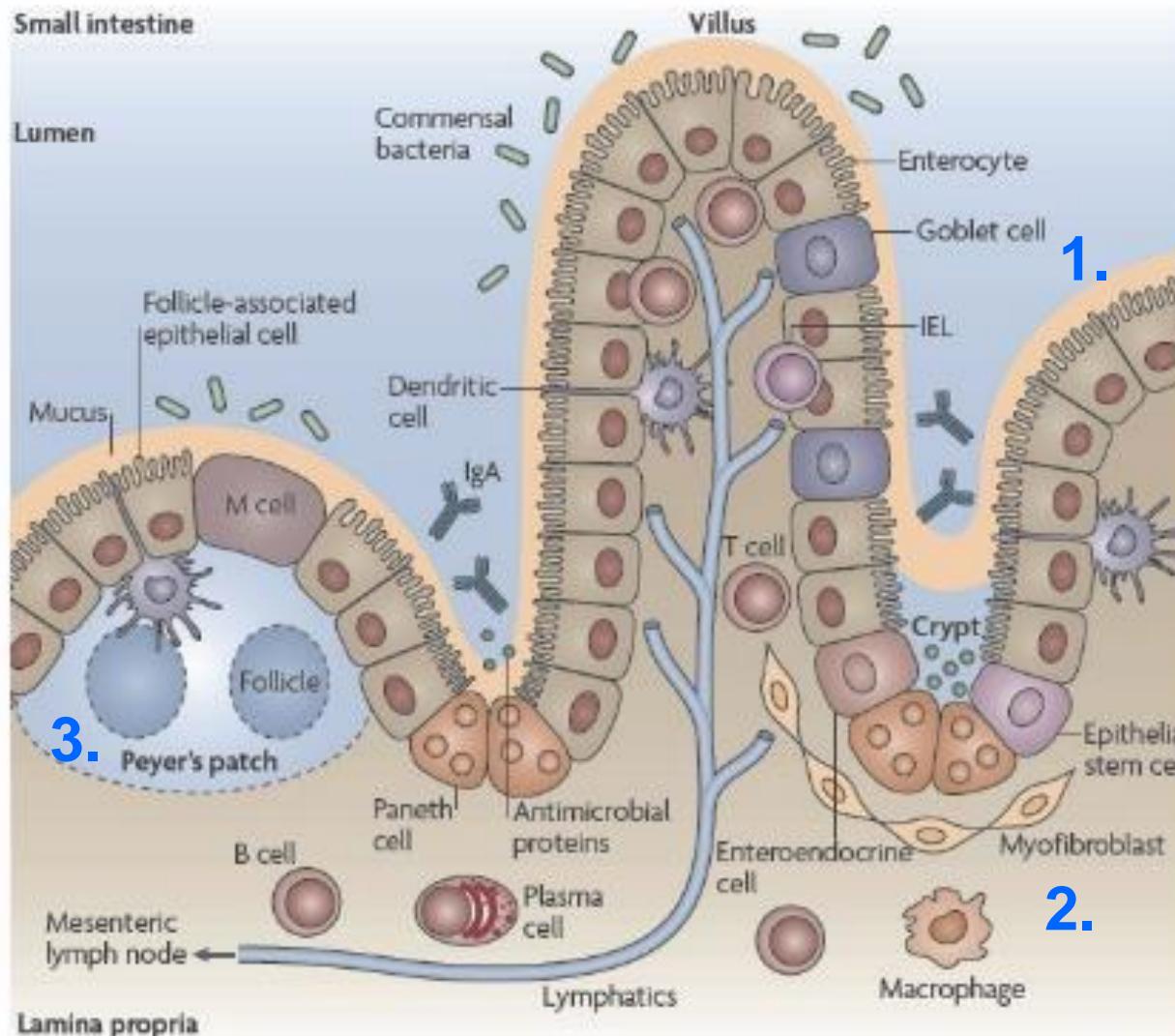
- *Pityrosporum ovale*
- *Staphylococcus epidermidis*
- *Corynebacterium jeikeium*
- *Trichosporon*
- *Staphylococcus haemolyticus*

**60
SPECIES**

in the urogenital tract include:

- *Ureaplasma parvum*
- *Corynebacterium aurimucosum*

Organizzazione delle barriere epiteliali (3 strati)



- 1. Epithelium:**
- enterocytes
 - Goblet cells
 - Paneth cells
 - Intra-Epithelial Lymphocytes

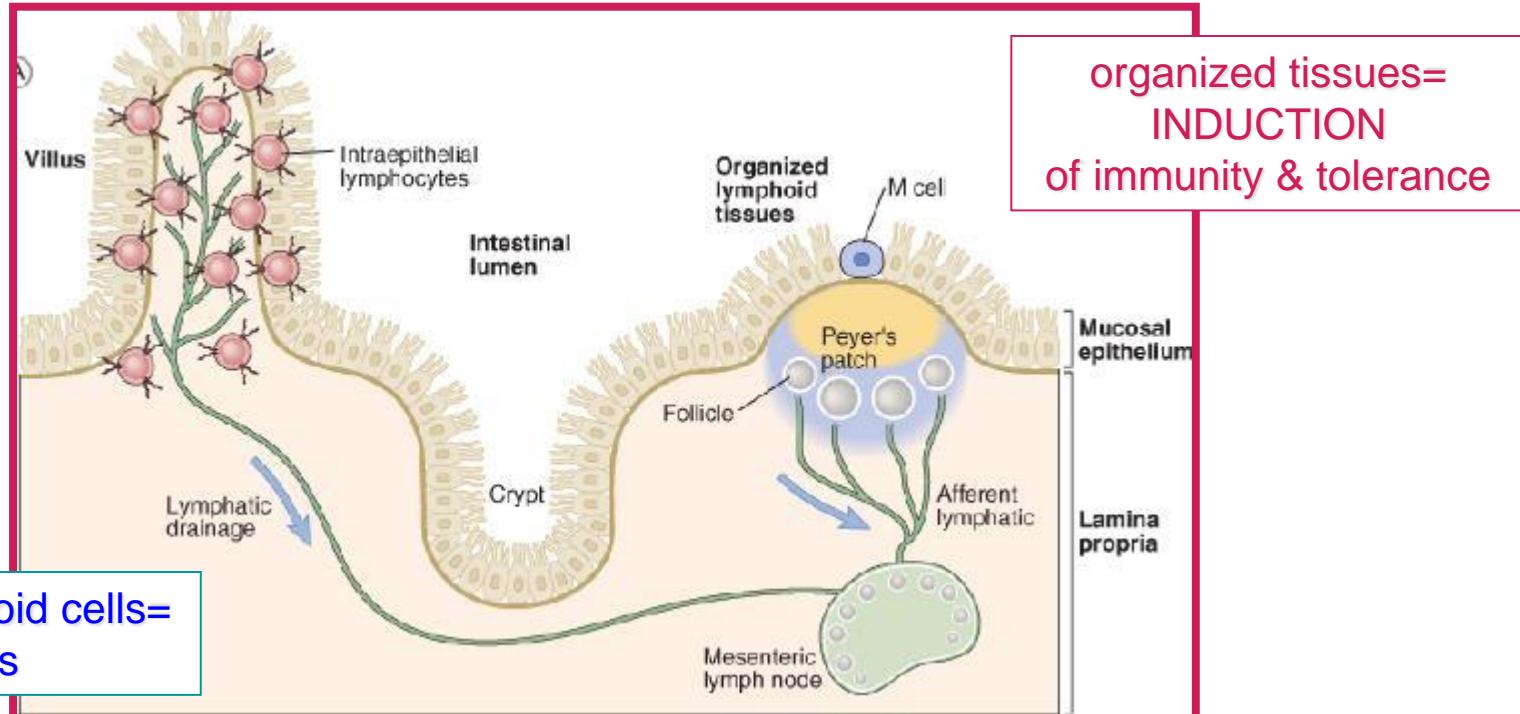
- 2. Lamina propria:** *o derma, ecc*
- CD4 + T / T CD8 +
 - Plasma IgA +
 - DC
 - macrophages
 - Innate Lymphoid cells

- 3. Peyer's patches:** *(MALT)*
- DC
 - CD4 + T / T CD8 +
 - B lymphocytes

MALT: mucosal associated lymphoid tissue

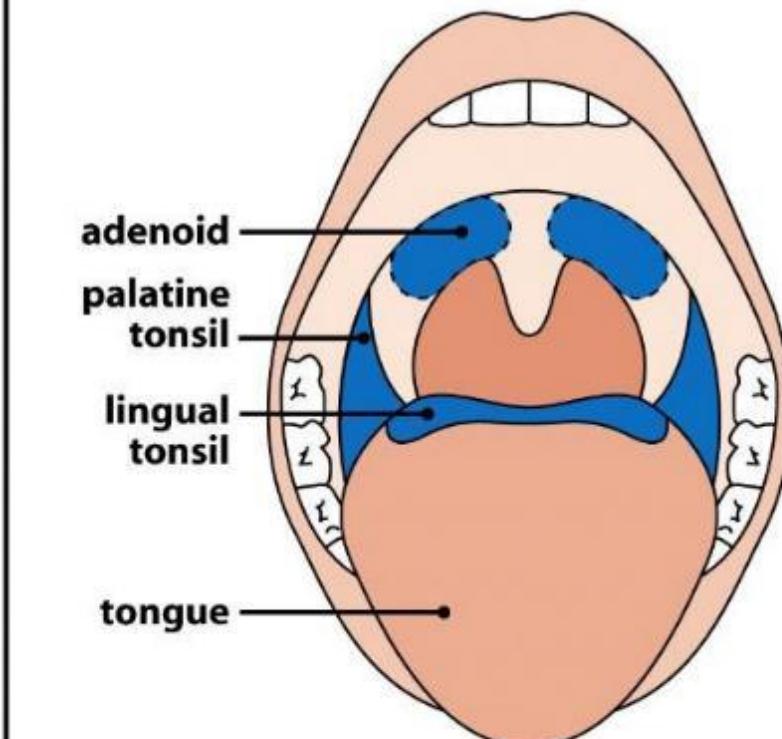
- ❖ Soluble components: IgA, antimicrobial peptides, mucous layer, etc...
- ❖ Intraepithelial lymphocytes
- ❖ Isolated lymphoid follicles
- ❖ Lymphoid organs (such as tonsils, adenoids, Peyer's patches, appendix)
- ❖ Regional lymph nodes (mesenteric, cervical, bronchial/mediastinal, iliac,...)

BALT (bronchus), **GALT** (gut), and others



Un esempio di tessuto linfoido organizzato

The tonsils and adenoids form a ring of lymphoid tissues, Waldeyer's ring, around the entrance of the gut and airway

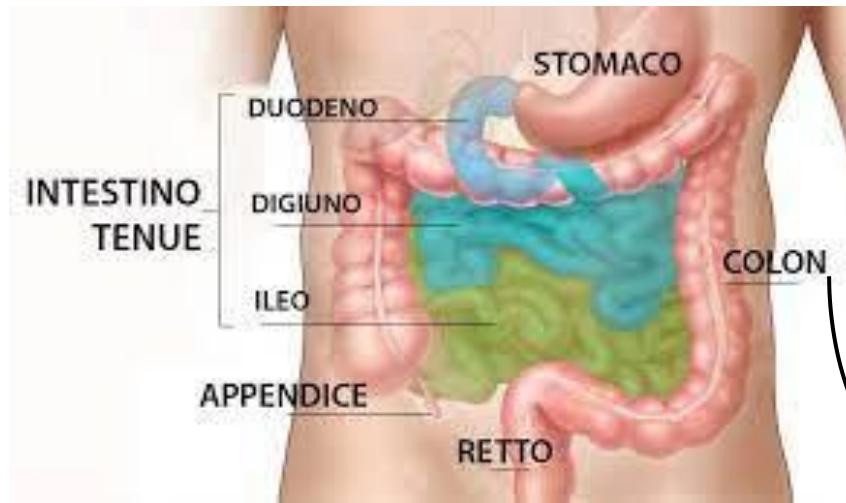


Anatomia dell'intestino



&
**Gut-Associated Lymphoid Tissue Anatomy
(GALT)**

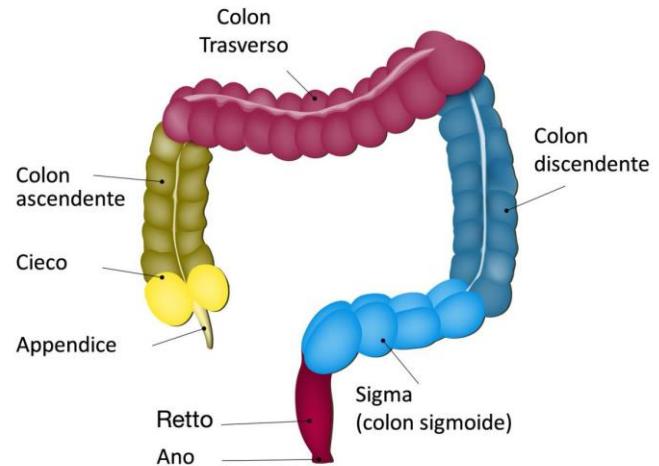
Anatomia dell'intestino



Alcuni numeri:

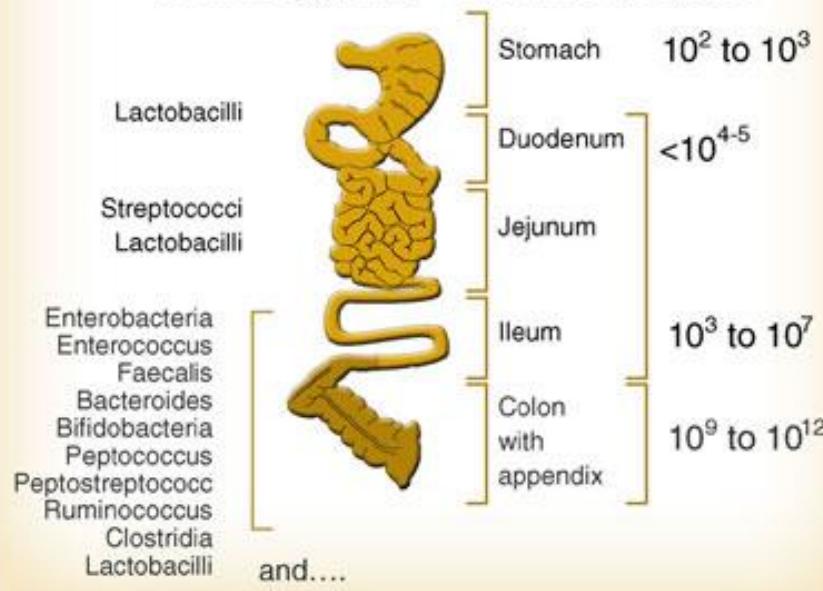
- ✓ *Tenue: ca. 6 m*
- ✓ *Crasso: ca. 2 m*
- ✓ *Mucosa crasso+tenue: ~ 400 mq (villi e microvilli)*
- ✓ *Da 500 a 1000 specie diverse di batteri (~ 10^{14} cellule) (10x il n. di cellule nucleate dell'organismo)*
- ✓ *>600.000 geni nel microbioma intestinale umano (30x geni umani)*

ANATOMIA DELL'INTESTINO CRASSO

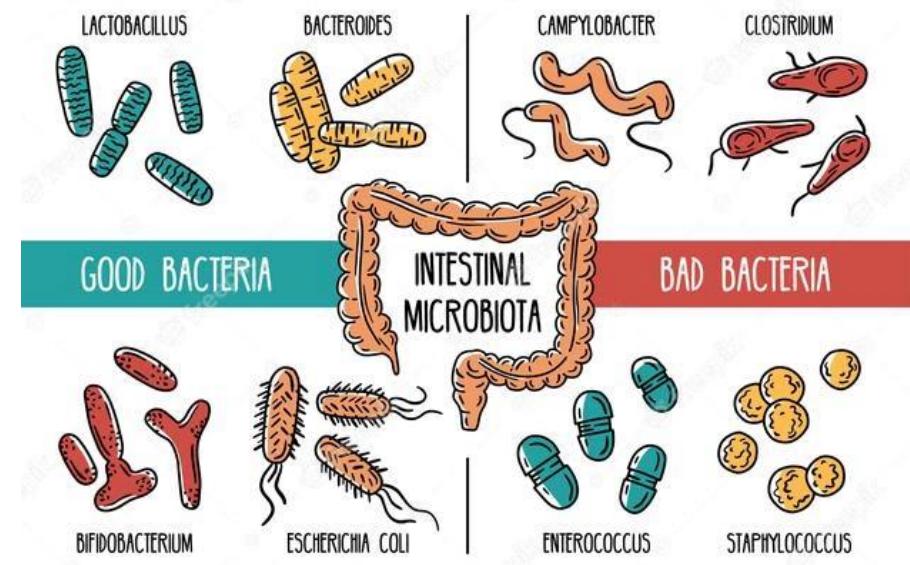
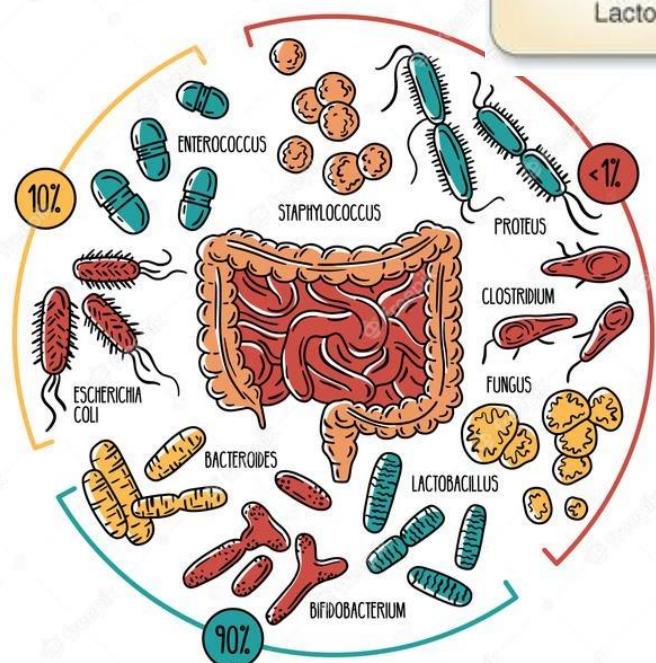


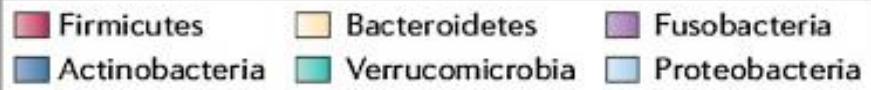
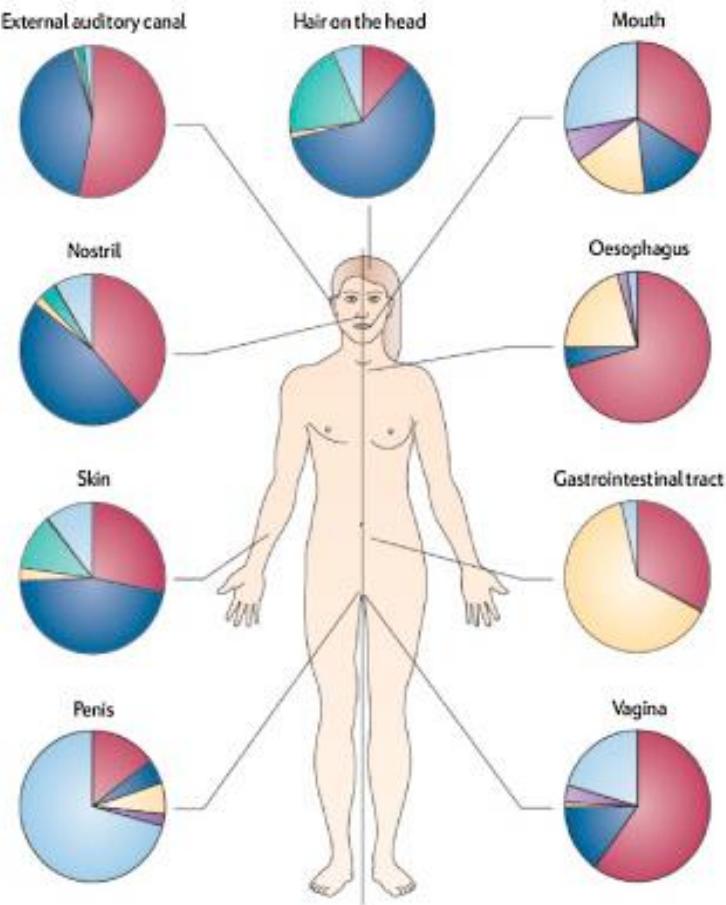
INTESTINAL MICROFLORA

10^{14} micro-organisms, >500 different species

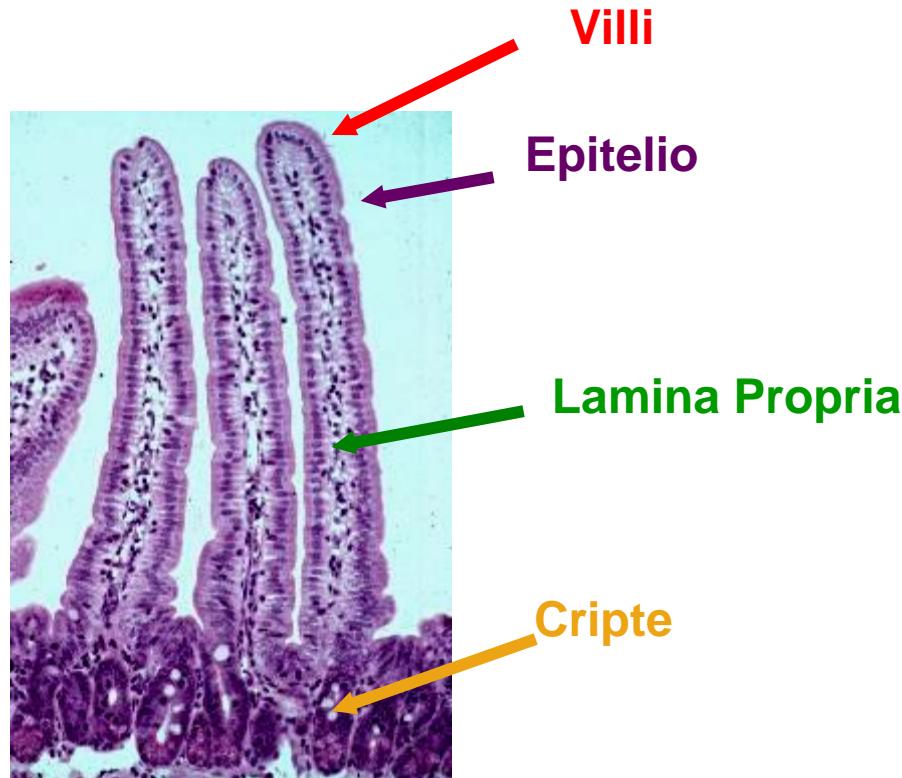


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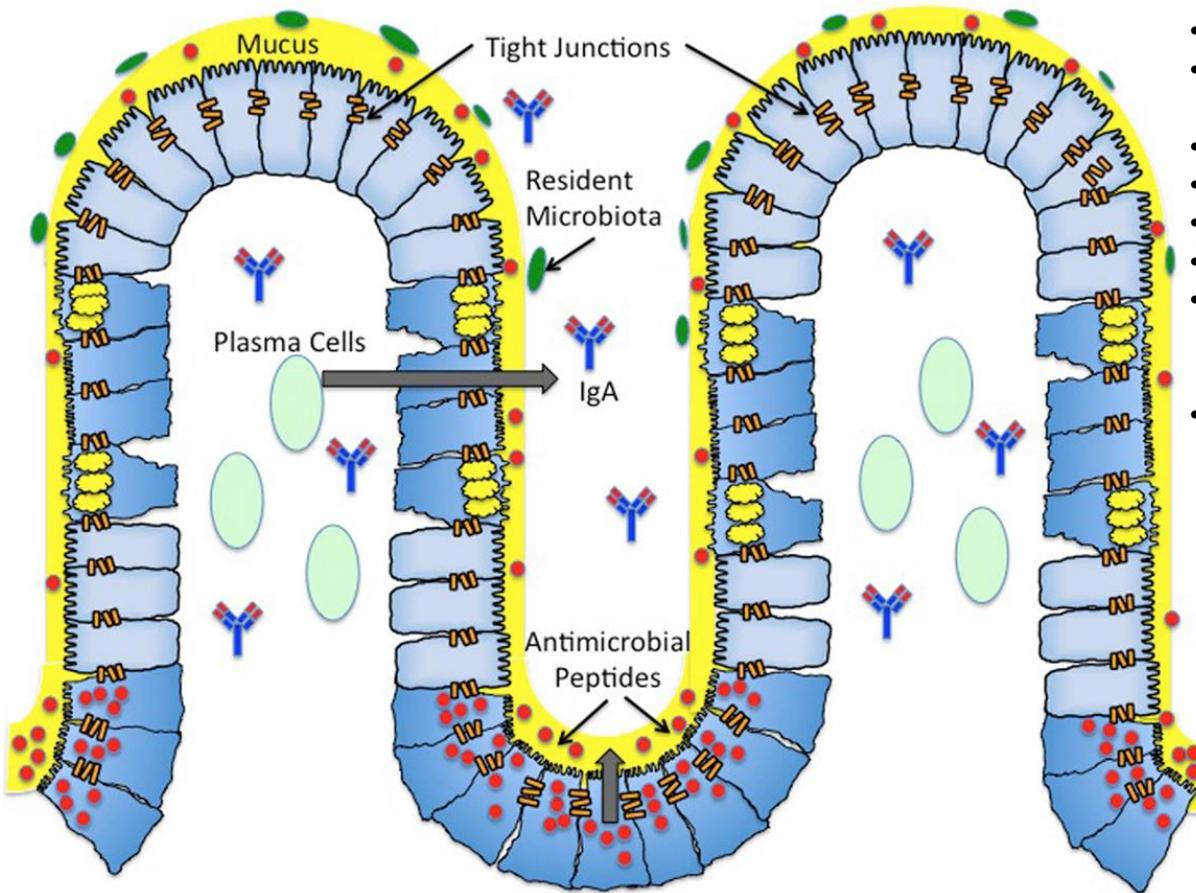


La mucosa intestinale



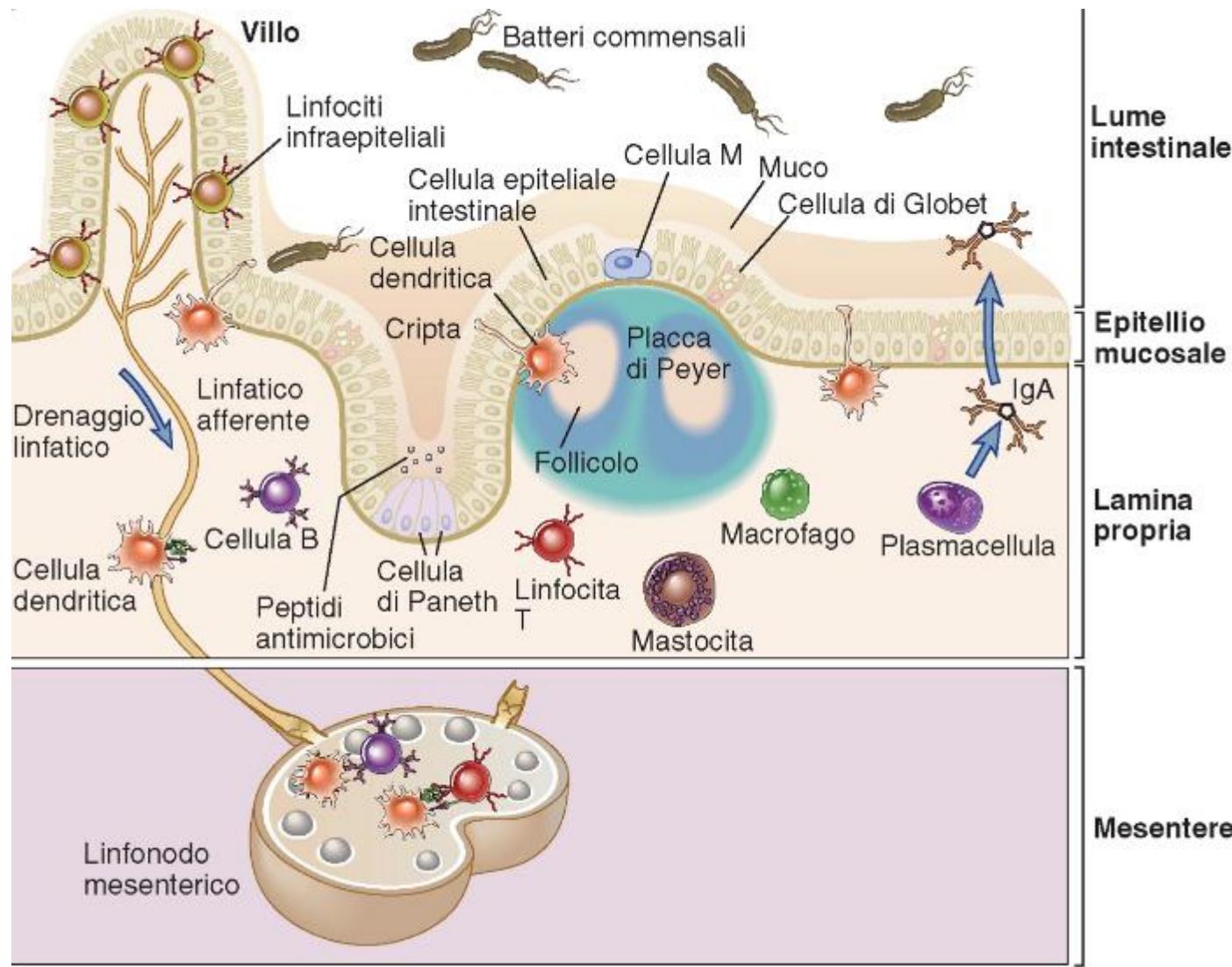
- Vasta superficie ~ **400m²**

Architecture of the mucosal surface of the intestine

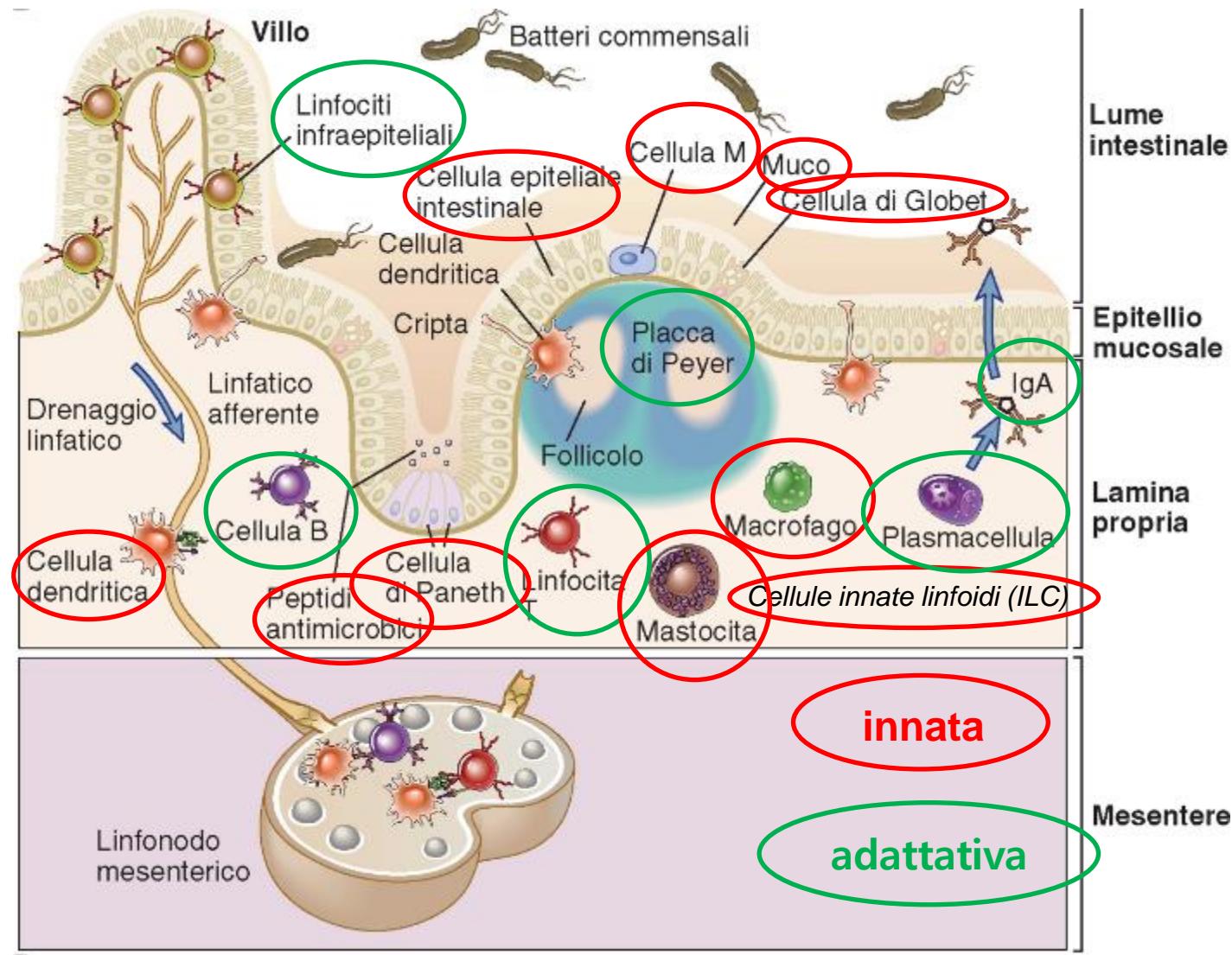


- Mucus (yellow)
- Goblet cells (blue cells with yellow granules)
- Antimicrobial peptides (red)
- Paneth cells (blue cells with red granules)
- B cells (light green)
- Secretory IgA (blue and red antibody).
- Resident microbiota (green) (two major phyla – Firmicutes and Cytophaga–Flavobacterium– Bacteroidetes).
- Tight junctions (orange bars).

Gut-Associated Lymphoid Tissue Anatomy (GALT)



Gut-Associated Lymphoid Tissue Anatomy (GALT)



FUNZIONE DI BARRIERA

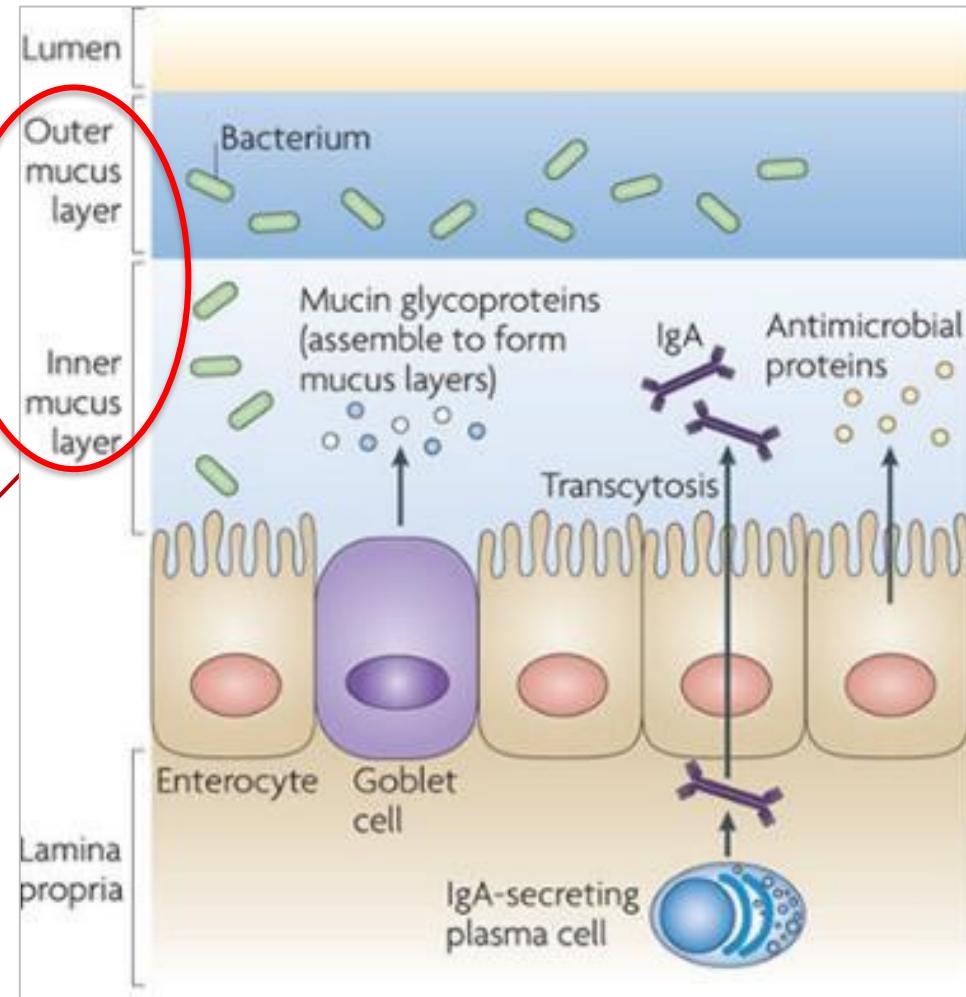
spesso strato di muco secreto dalle
GOBLET CELLS

Costituito da mucine

Impedisce fisicamente il
movimento dei microrganismi

Contiene defensine e IgA

Viene continuamente espulso



La produzione può aumentatare
con stimoli infiammatori:
IL1, IL6, TNFalpha, IL13

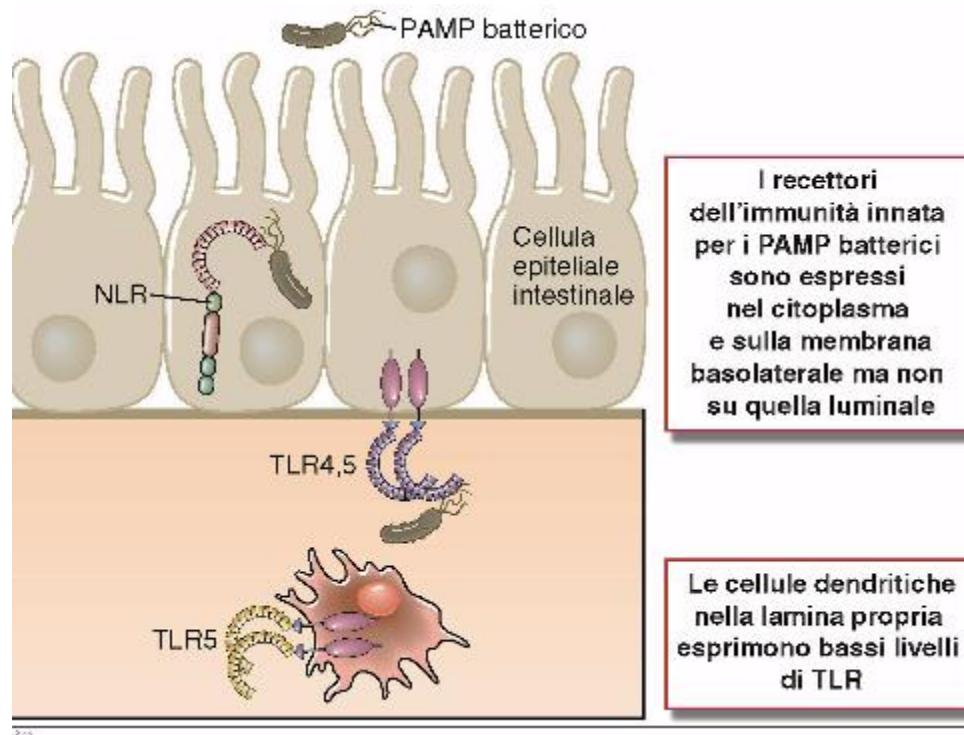
The mucosal immune system contains large numbers of effector lymphocytes (even in the absence of disease!)

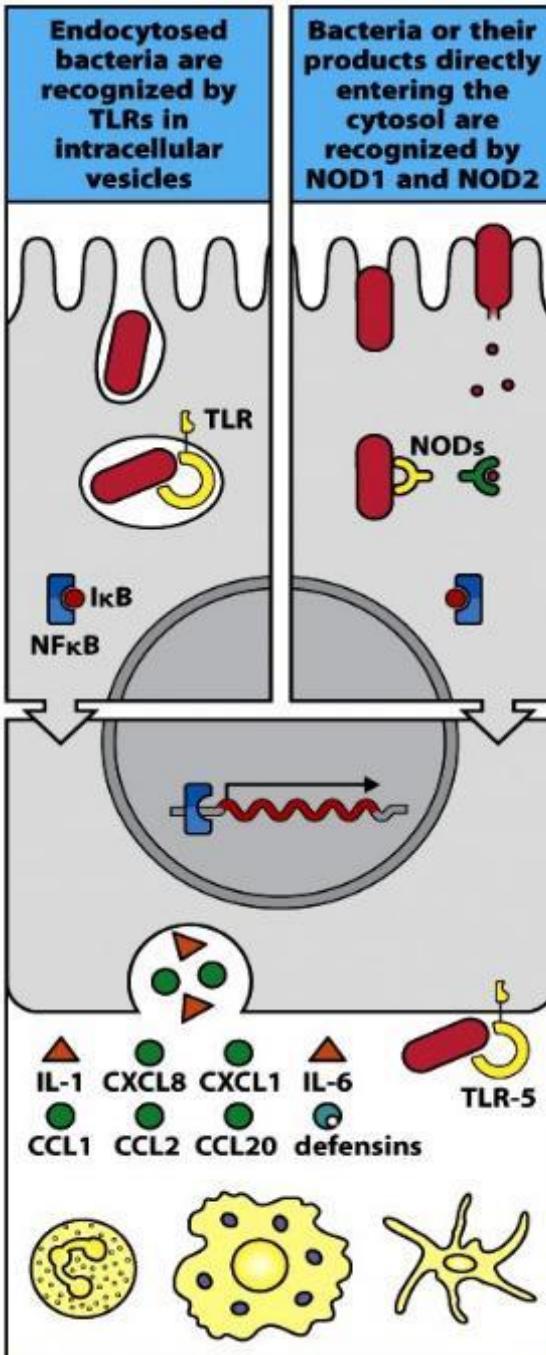
- In the intestine, effector cells are found in two main compartments: the **epithelium** and the ***lamina propria***
- The **epithelium** contains mainly lymphocytes, the vast majority of which are **CD8+ T cells**
- The ***lamina propria***: **CD4+ and CD8+ T cells, plasma cells, macrophages, DC, eosinophils, mast cells**
- The total number of lymphocytes in the epithelium and *lamina propria* probably exceeds that of most other parts of the body
- The healthy intestinal mucosa displays **many characteristics of chronic inflammatory response:**
 - ⇒ Local responses to the myriad of innocuous Ags
 - ⇒ Overt disease is rare due to regulatory mechanisms

EPITHELIAL CELLS HAVE A CRUCIAL ROLE IN THE INNATE DEFENSE AGAINST PATHOGENS

Espressione polarizzata del TLR5:

Risposta infiammatoria ridotta nei confronti dei batteri commensali



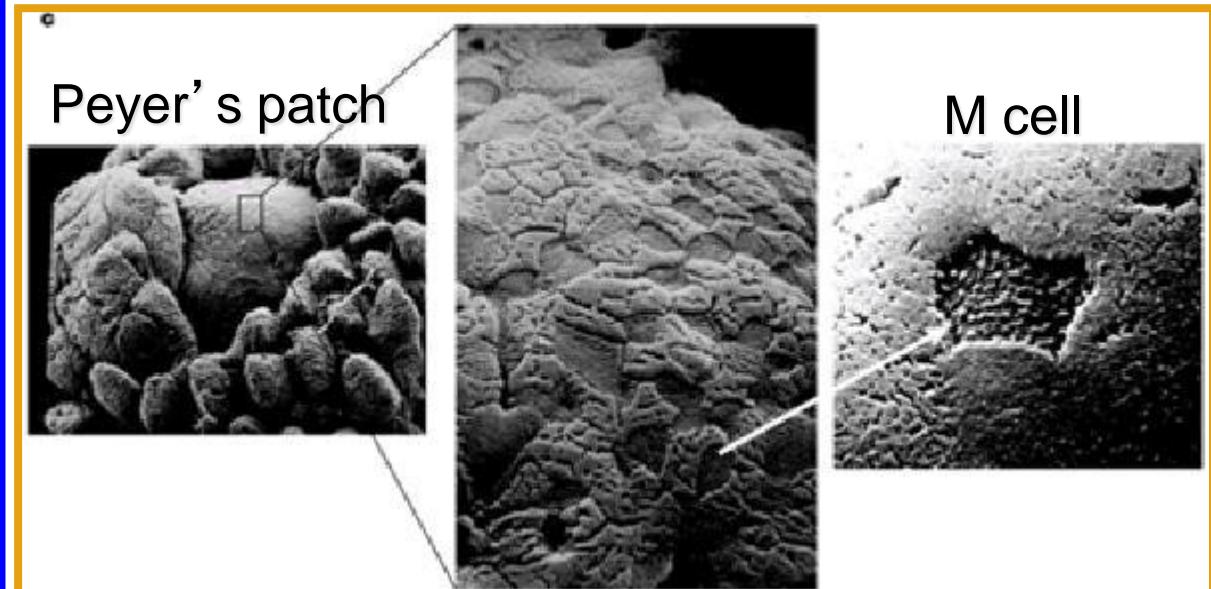
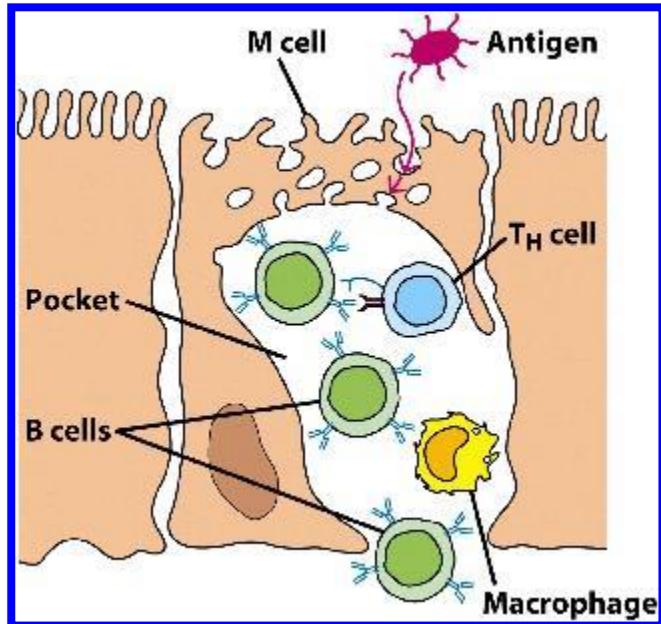
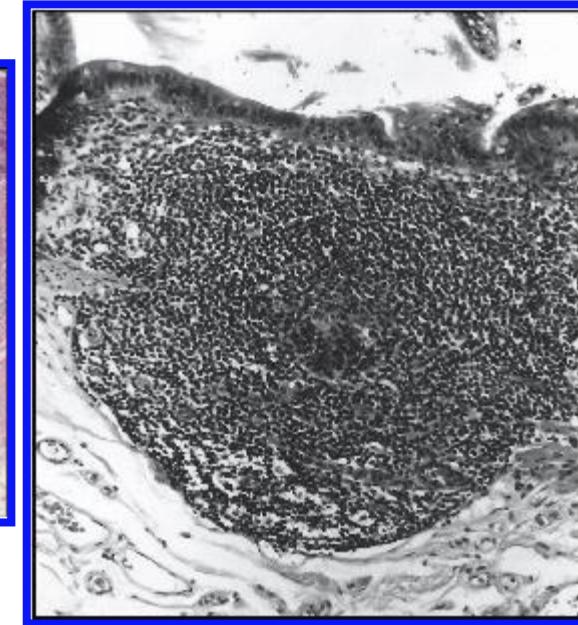
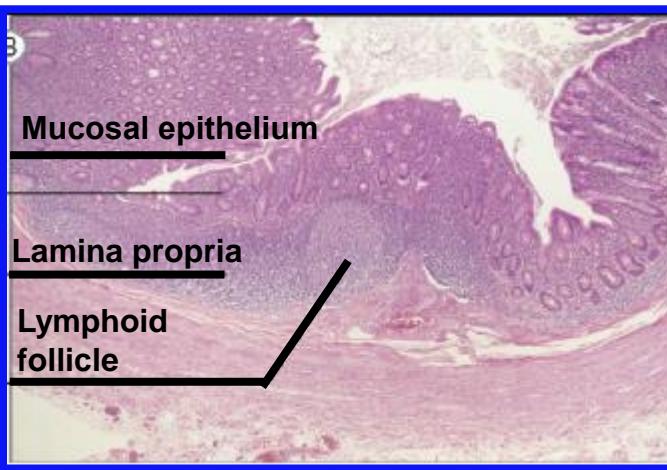
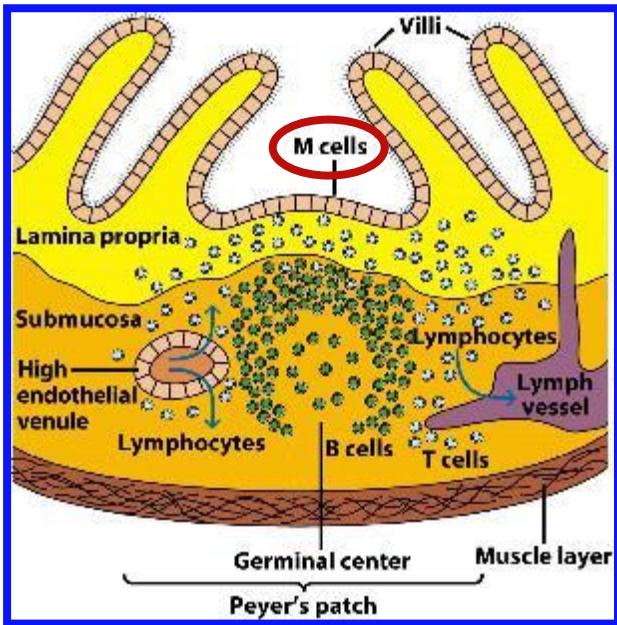


EPITHELIAL CELLS HAVE A CRUCIAL ROLE IN THE INNATE DEFENSE AGAINST PATHOGENS

- They express TLR5 on their basal surface ⇔ flagellin on the basal surface
- They carry TLRs in intracellular vacuoles that can detect pathogens and their products that have been internalized by endocytosis
- They also have intracellular sensors
⇒ interact with microorganism or their products in the cytoplasm
 - e.g. NOD1 → muramyl tripeptide in Gram(-) bacteria
 - NOD2 → muramyl dipeptide in most bacteria
- They express NLRP3 (a PRR)
- Injury and stress to the enterocytes stimulated the expression of MICA and MICB proteins.

TLR, NOD1 e NOD2 attivano la via di NF- κ B, inducendo le cellule epiteliali ad esprimere numerose citochine infiammatorie, chemochine ed altri mediatori che attivano neutrofili, macrofagi e DC

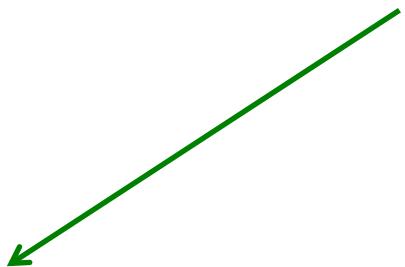
Peyer's patches (Gut-Associated Lymphoid Tissue)



- Peyer's patches have a distinctive appearance, forming dome-like aggregates of lymphoid cells
- Microfold cells (M cells):
the route by which Ag enters the Peyer's patch from lumen
- isolated lymphoid follicles in the small and large intestine
⇒ contain mainly B cells
- Similar isolated follicles are found in other sites
 - bronchus-associated lymphoid issues (BALT)
 - nasal-associated lymphoid tissues (NALT)

The intestine has distinctive routes and mechanisms of antigen uptake

- M cells in the follicle-associated epithelium are continually taking up molecules and particles from the gut lumen by endocytosis or phagocytosis



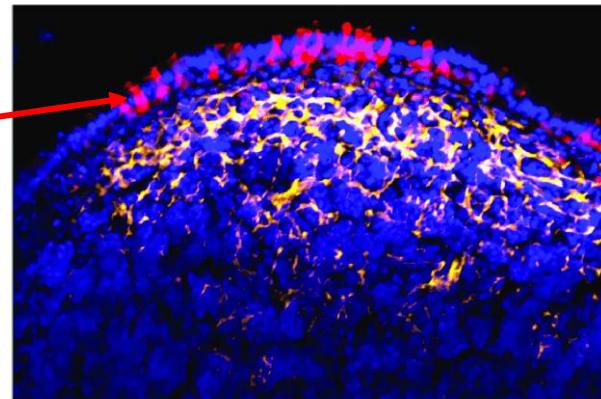
⇒ released into the lamina propria extracellular space by
“transcytosis”

⇒ DC take-up the transported material

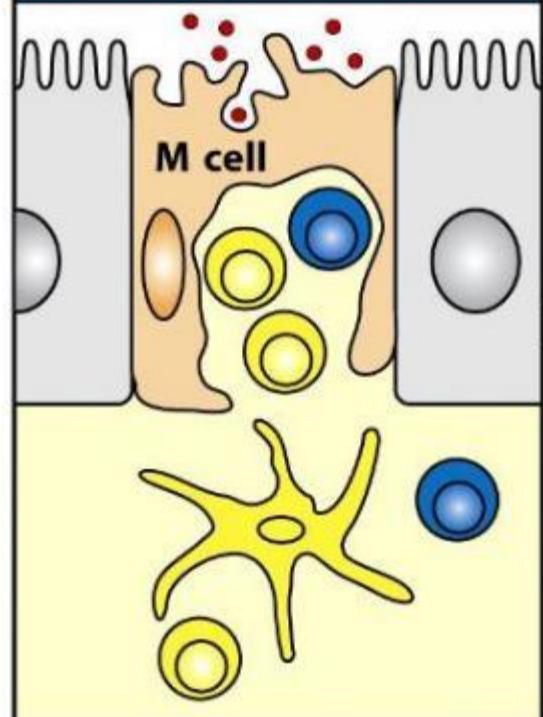
⇒ Presentation to T lymphocytes

La transcitosi

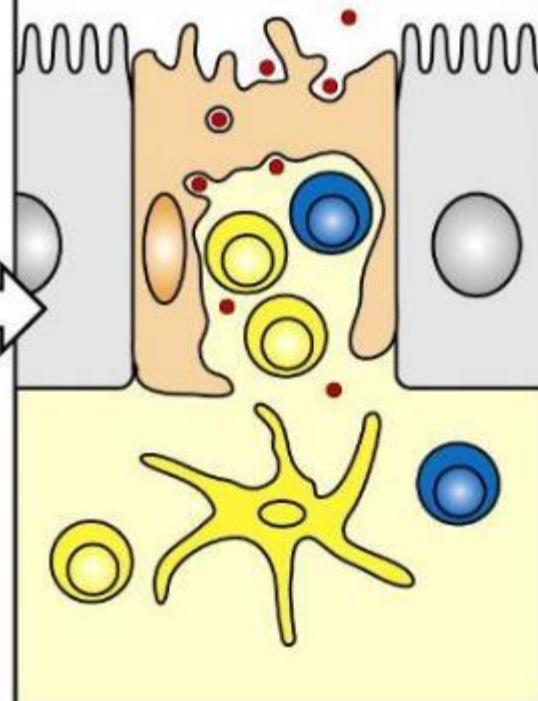
Cellule M



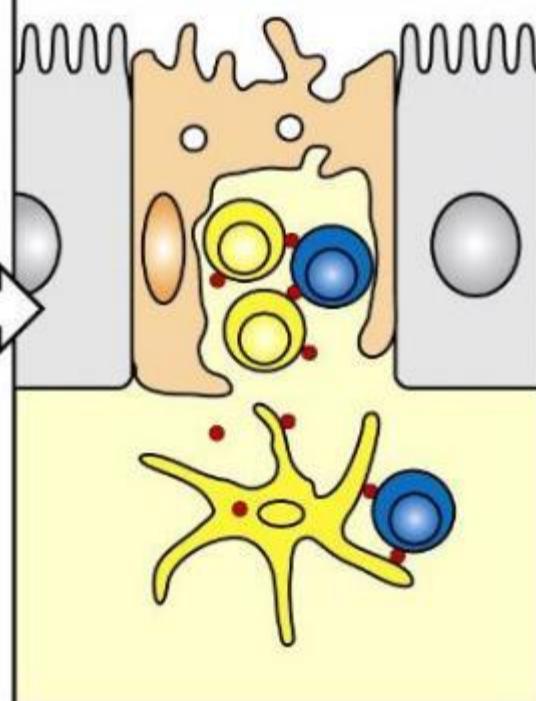
M cells take up antigen by endocytosis and phagocytosis

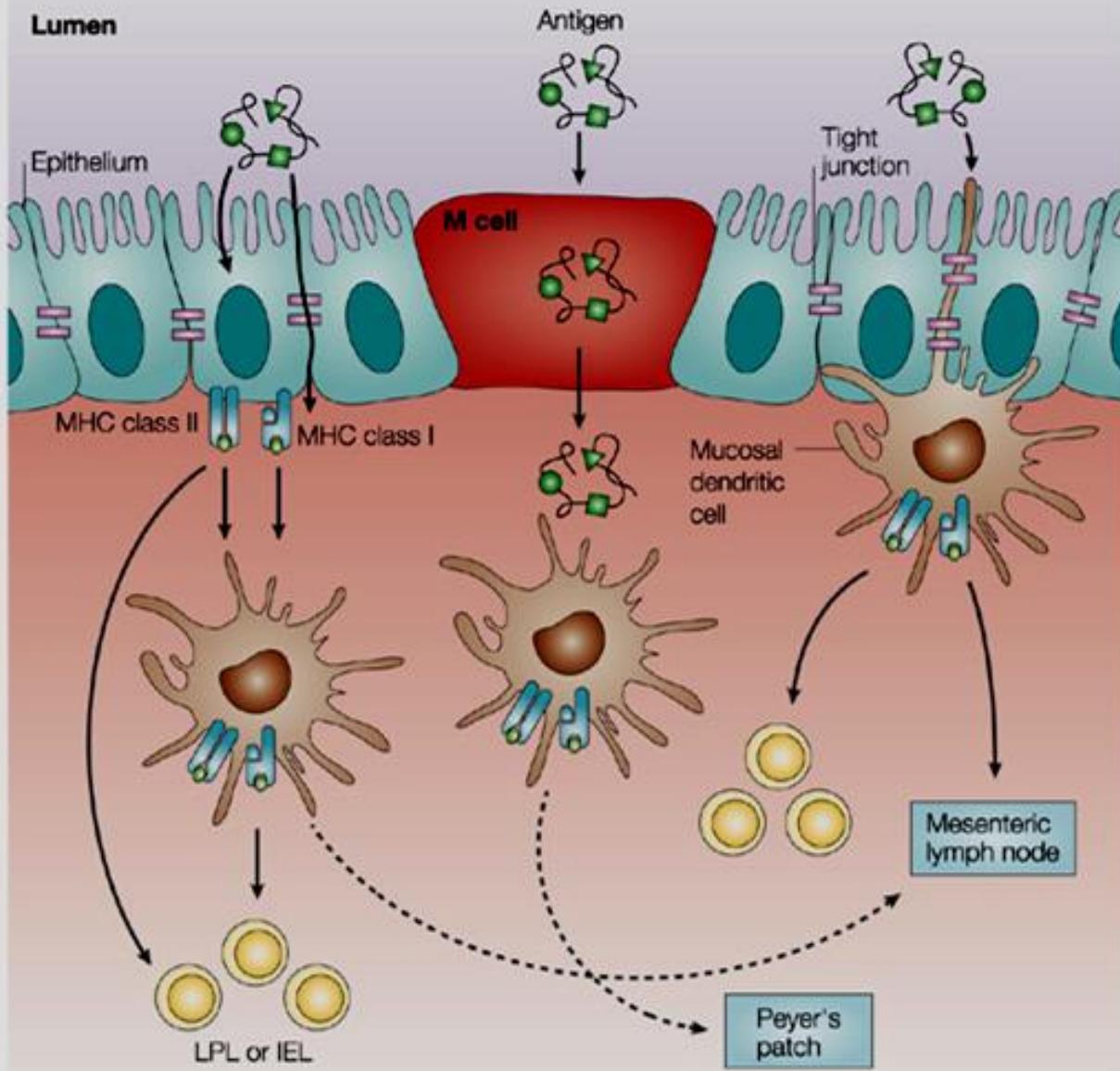


Antigen is transported across the M cells in vesicles and released at the basal surface

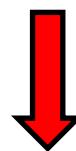
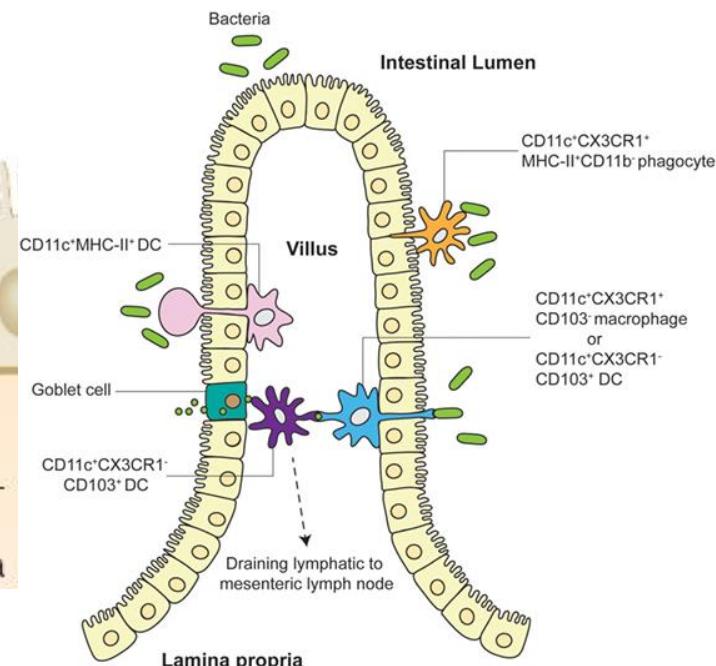
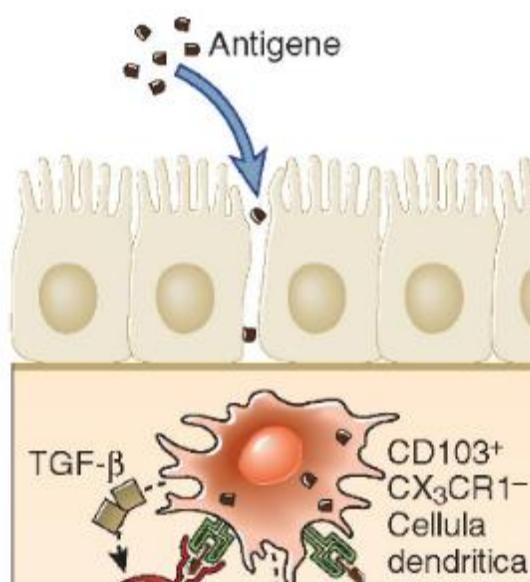
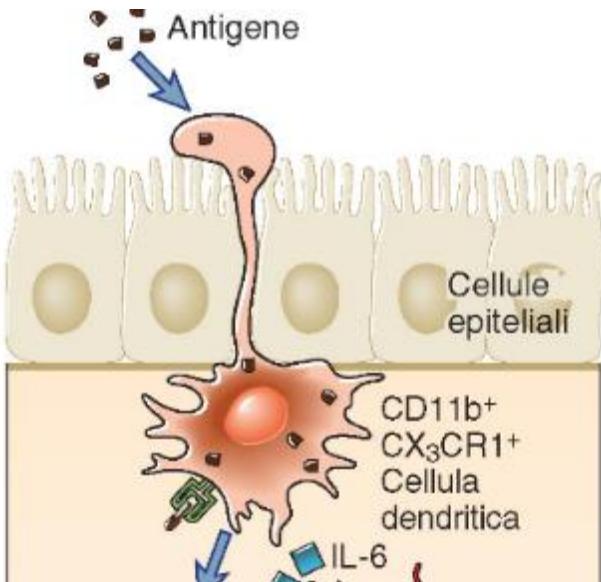


Antigen is bound by dendritic cells, which activate T cells



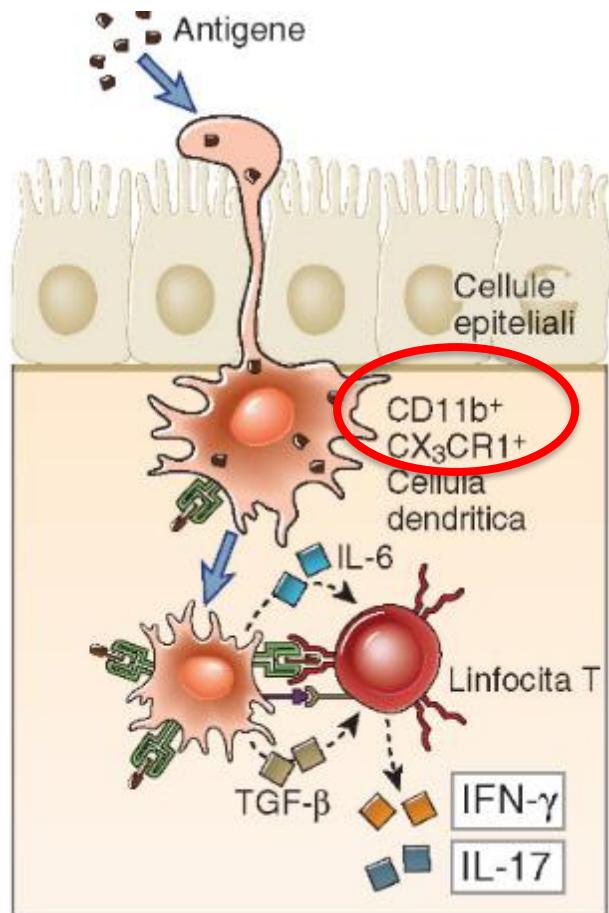


“Campionamento” dell’antigene da parte delle DC intestinali

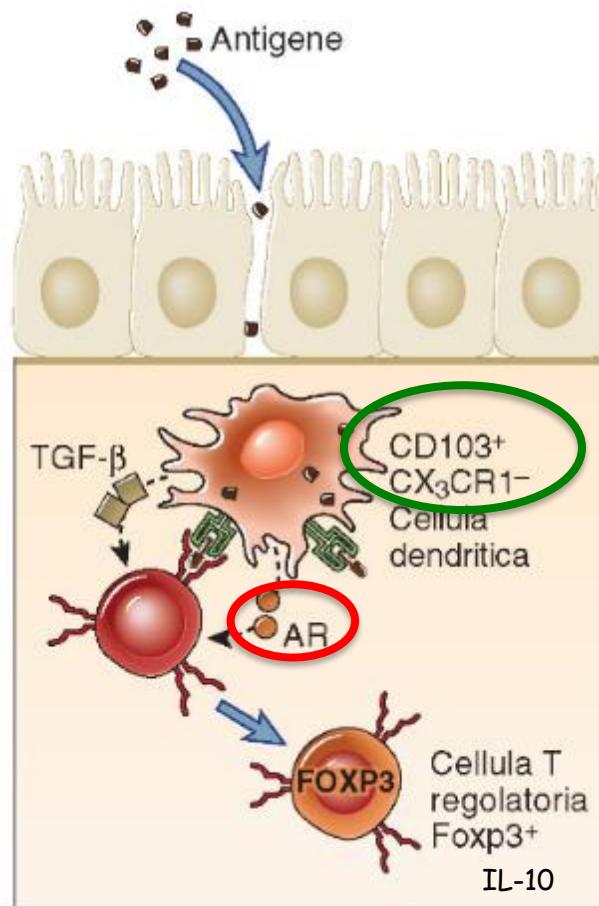


**Presentazione dell’antigene ai linfociti T
nel MALT o nei linfonodi mesenterici**

DC effettivi



DC regolatorie



Chemokines released by the epithelial cells

(CCL20 and CCL9)



recruitment of DC

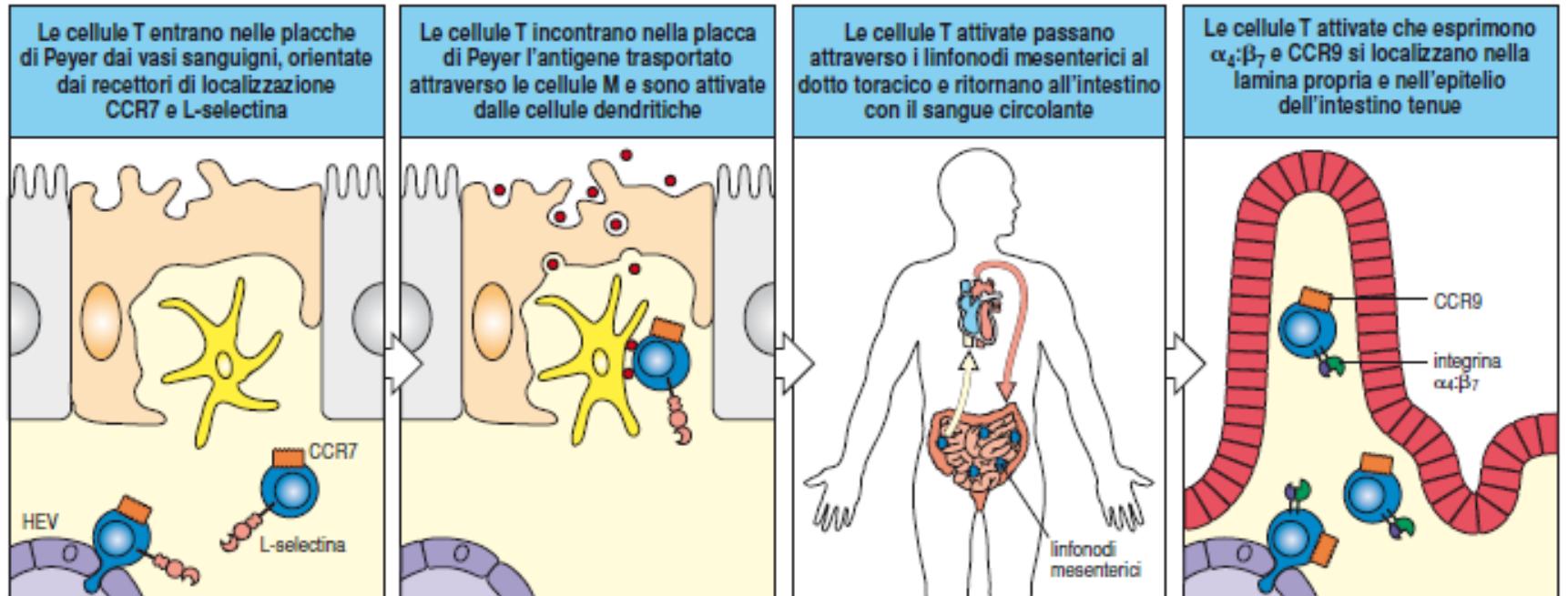
(expressing CCR6/CCR1)

- DCs are abundant in the wall of the intestine mainly in the *lamina propria*:

⇒ acquire antigens across an intact epithelial barrier
(with or without the need for M cells)

⇒ transport antigen to the T cell areas of mesenteric lymph nodes

I segnali che guidano la migrazione dei linfociti nelle mucose



CCR7: CCL19
CCL21

CD62L MadCAM-1
(L-selectin)

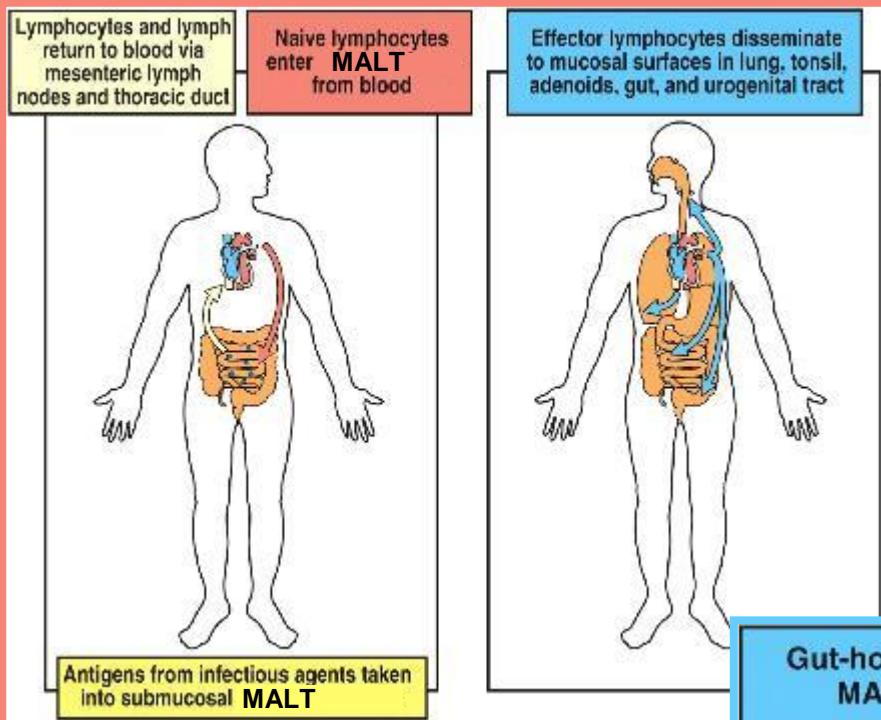
Se il linfocita incontra l'antigene
perde l'espressione di CCR7 e
CD62L, cioè perde il tropismo per
gli organi linfoidi periferici

CCR9: CCL25 (tenue)

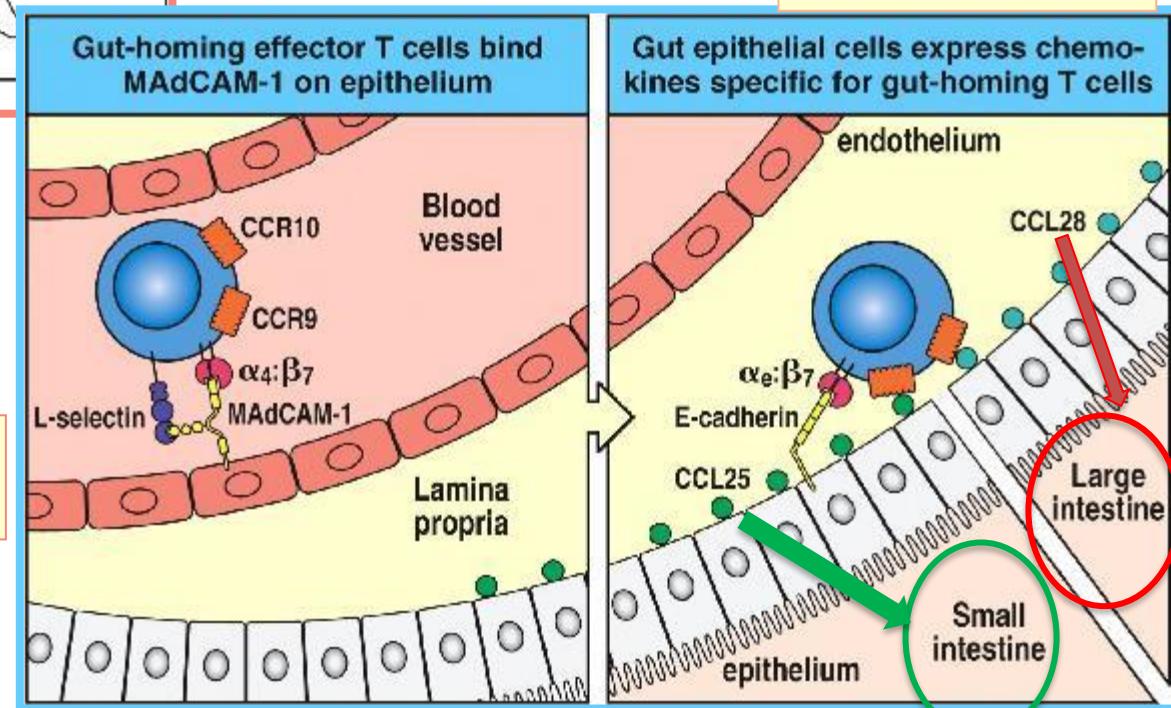
CCR10 CCL28 (colon, ghiandole
mammarie, salivari)

(CCR10/CCL28:HOMING anche dei
LINFOCITI B che producono IgA)

I segnali che guidano la migrazione dei linfociti nelle mucose



$\alpha\beta7$ -E-cadherin
CCR9-CCL25
CCR10-CCL28



$\alpha\beta7$ -MAdCAM
CCR9-CCL25

- Priming of lymphocytes in **one** mucosal tissue can induce protective immunity at **other** mucosal surface!

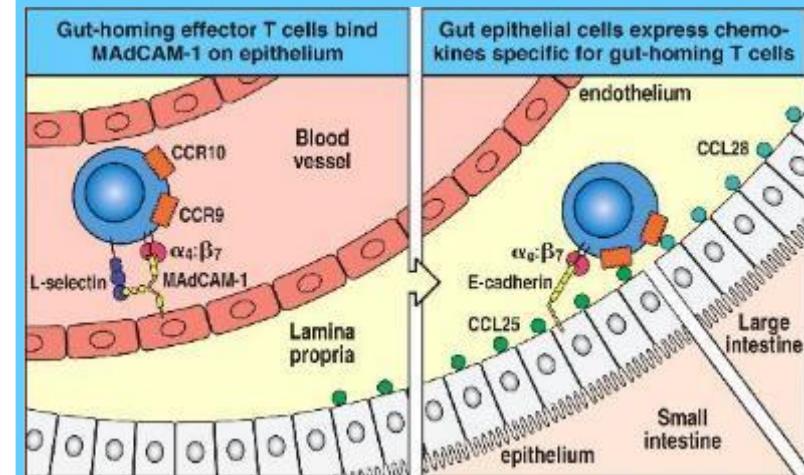
- MAdCAM-1 is not restricted entirely to the blood vessels of the intestine

⇒ also found on the vasculature in the other mucosal surfaces!!

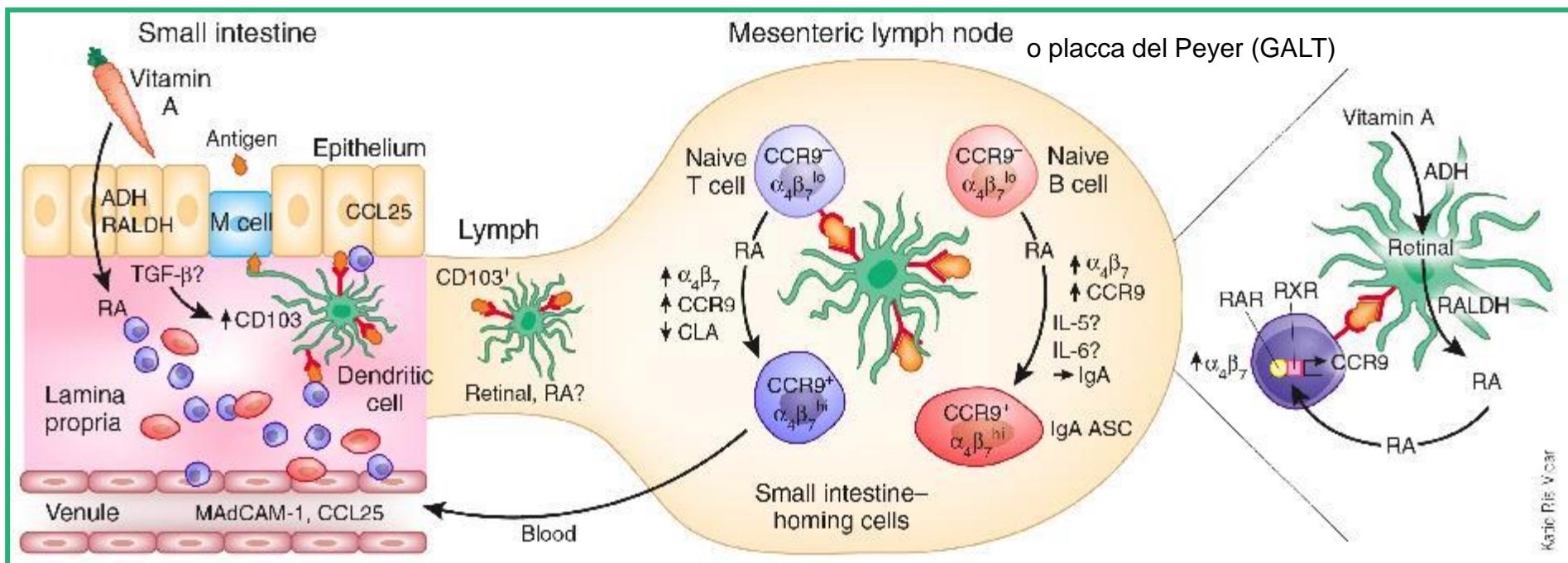
⇒ lymphocytes primed in GALT,

⇒ migrate to other common mucosal immune system

Oral vaccination



Diet and vitamin A affect the imprinting of small intestine trafficking (and the importance of DCs)



alcohol dehydrogenases
(ADH)

retinal dehydrogenases
(RALDH)

(Epithelium, intestinal DC)

Vitamin A → Retinal → Retinoic acid (RA) (active metabolite)
(retinol)

RAR, retinoic acid receptor; RXR, retinoid X receptor

TOP

10 smart FONTI DI VITAMINA A (retinolo equivalenti)



1

3-4 CAROTE
2296 µg



5

3-4 ALBICOCHE
540 µg



9

UNA RICOTTINA
DI VACCA
200 µg



2

2 PICCOLE
PATATE DOLCI
1310 µg



6

MEZZO PIATTO
DI CICORIA
CATALOGNA
438 µg



10

UN UOVO
113 µg



3

MEZZO PIATTO
DI ZUCCA
1198 µg



7

3-4 GAMBI DI
SEDANO
414 µg



4

MEZZO PIATTO
DI CRESCIONE
840 µg



8

UN CACHI
356 µg

ASSUNZIONE GIORNALIERA
RACCOMANDATA
DI VITAMINA A
(retinolo equivalenti)
PER LA POPOLAZIONE ADULTA

700 µg **600 µg**

I valori sono riferiti all'alimento crudo e derivano dalle seguenti banche dati: BDA - Banca Dati di composizione degli Alimenti. Istituto Europeo di Oncologia CREA - Centro di Ricerca Alimenti e Nutrizione. Tabelle di composizione degli alimenti USDA - National Nutrient Database for Standard Reference

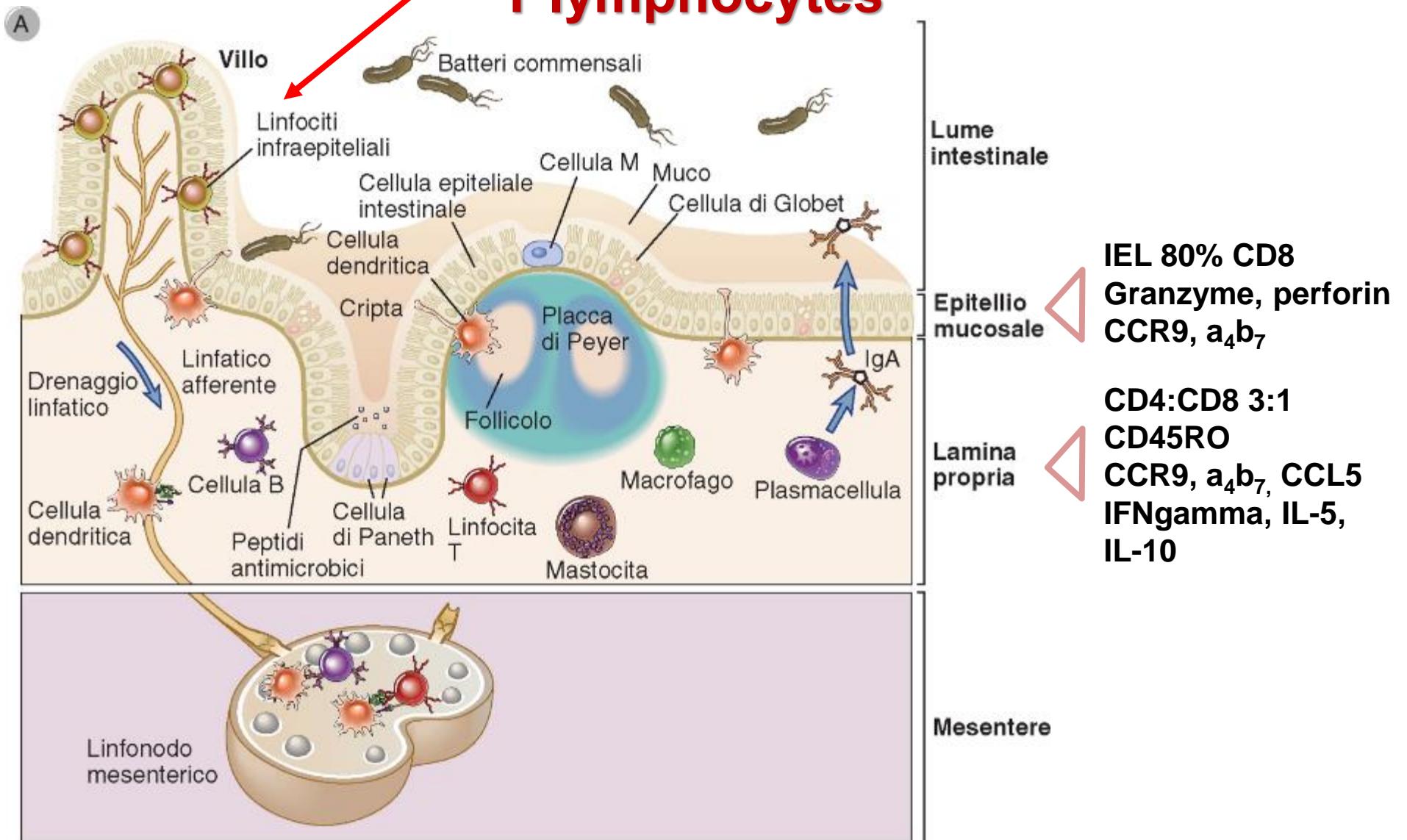


The mucosal immune system contains “T lymphocytes”

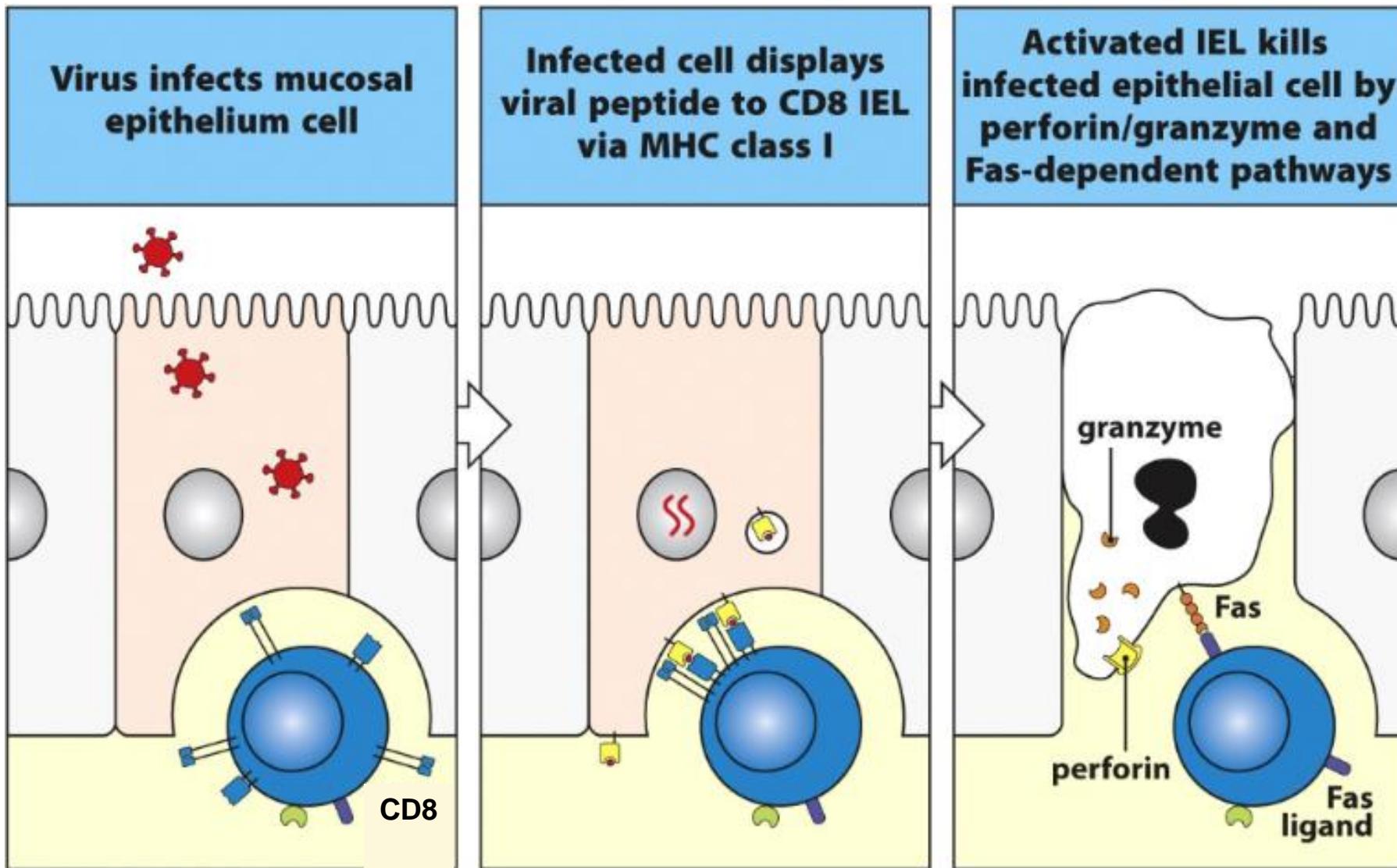
In the intestine, scattered T cells are found in two distinct locations:

- *lamina propria*
- epithelium

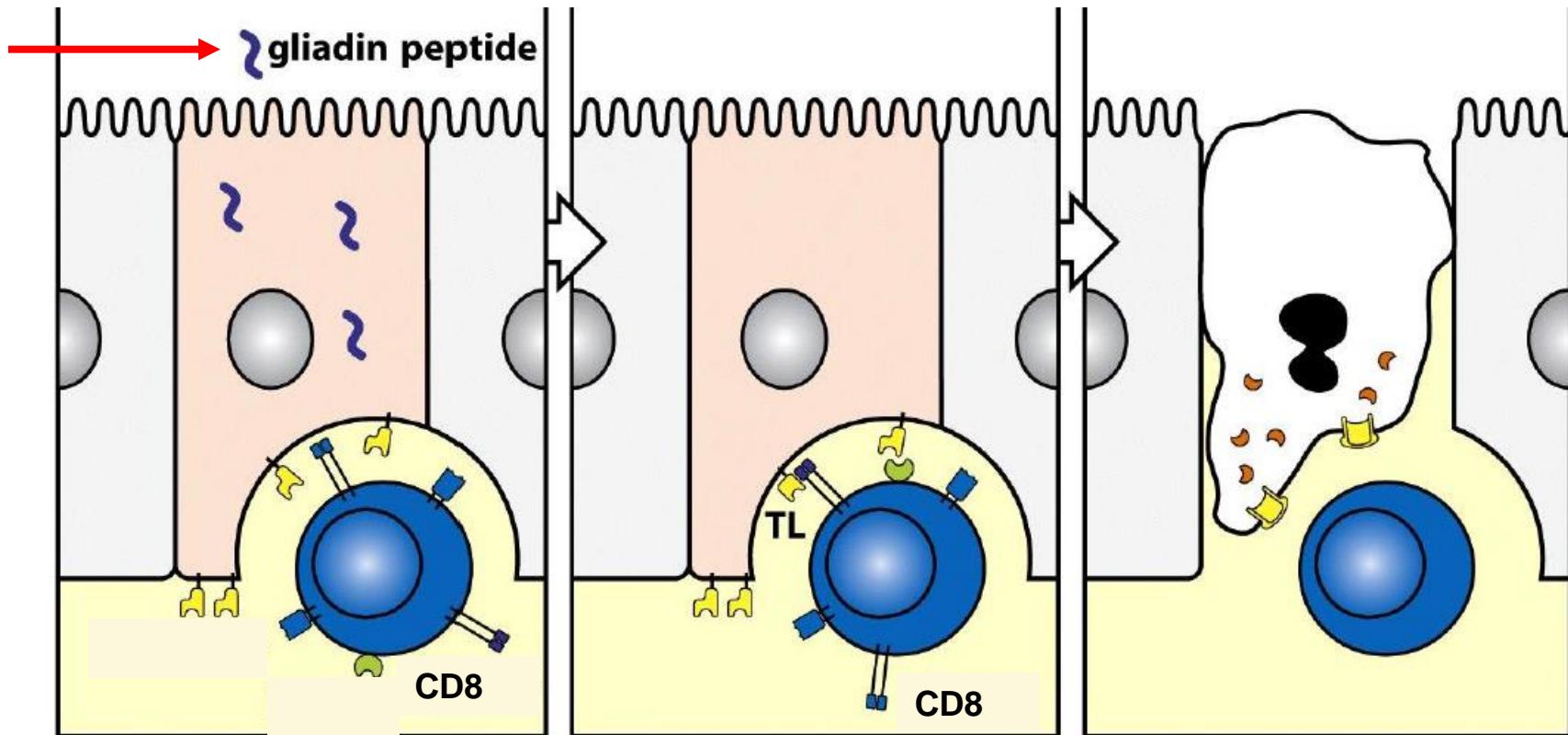
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ROLE OF IEL CD8+ T CELLS IN VIRAL INFECTIONS



ROLE OF IEL CD8+ T CELLS IN CELIAC DISEASE



I linfociti B

Immunità umorale nel tratto gastrointestinale

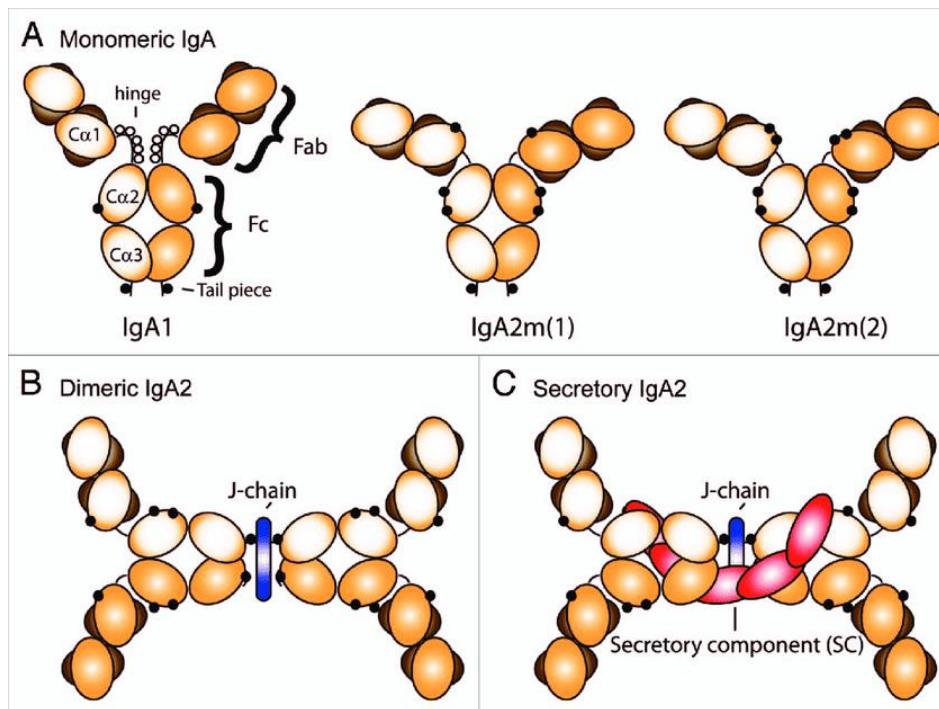
- IgA costituiscono l'isotipo anticorpale più rappresentato nel tratto gastrointestinale: **IgA (40)**: IgM (3): IgG (1)
(circa il 60-70% della produzione totale di anticorpi)
- IgA secretorie sono prodotte nel GALT e trasportate attraverso l'epitelio mucosale nel lume intestinale
- La prevalenza di plasmacellule producenti IgA (circa l'80% di tutte le plasmacellule dell'organismo) è dovuta a:
 - Scambio isotipico verso IgA che avviene nel GALT e nei linfonodi mesenterici
 - *Homing* preferenziale all'intestino di cellule producenti IgA
(via CCR10-CCL28)

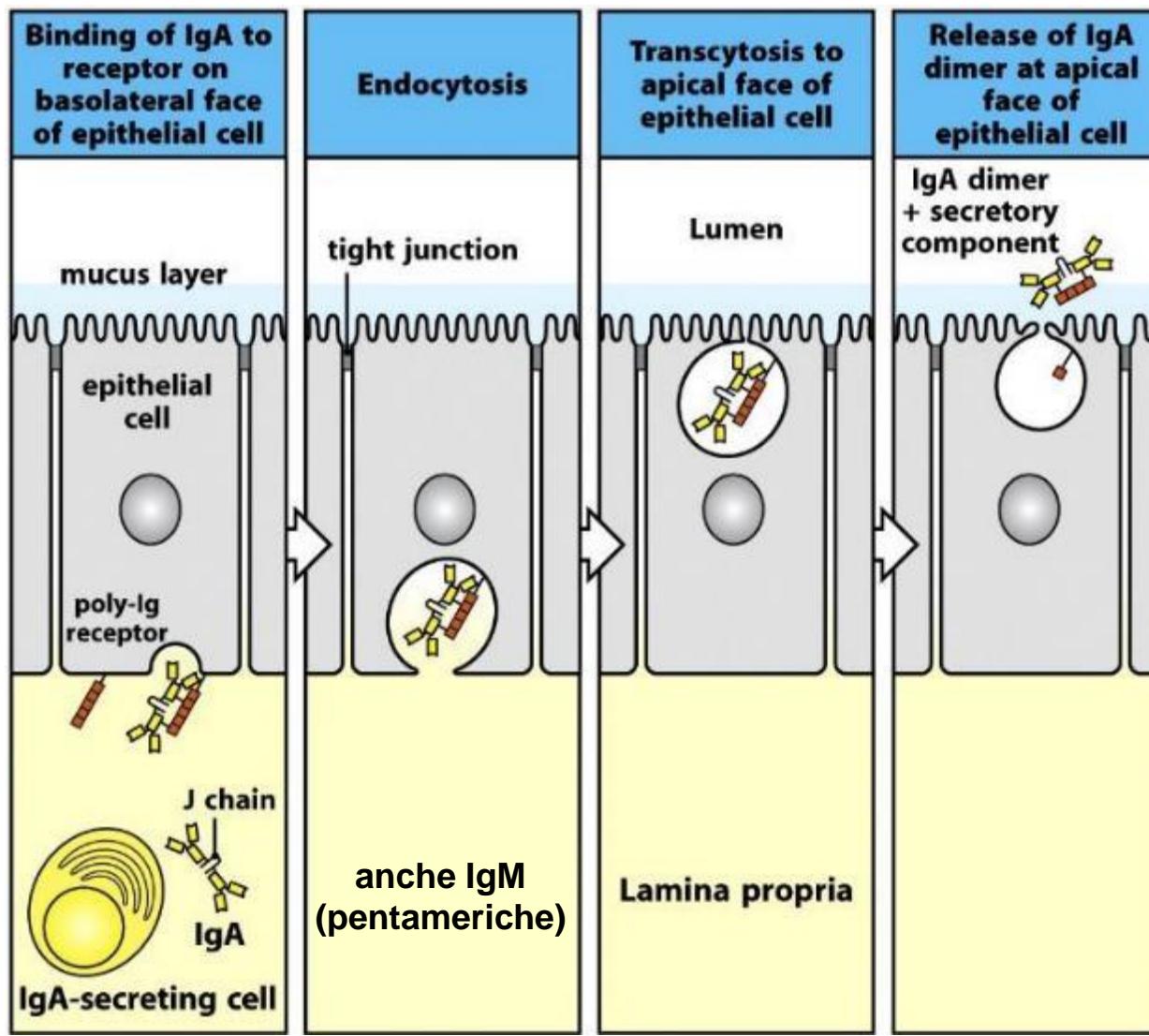
Le IgA

- In human, two isotopic forms: IgA1, IgA2
 - In blood, IgA1:IgA2 \Rightarrow 10:1 (mainly monomer)
 - In mucosal, IgA1: IgA2 \Rightarrow 3:2 (mainly dimer)

- naïve B cell $\xrightarrow{\text{TGF-beta}}$ IgA secreting plasma cells

- B lymphoblasts express the mucosal homing integrin $\alpha_4\beta_7$

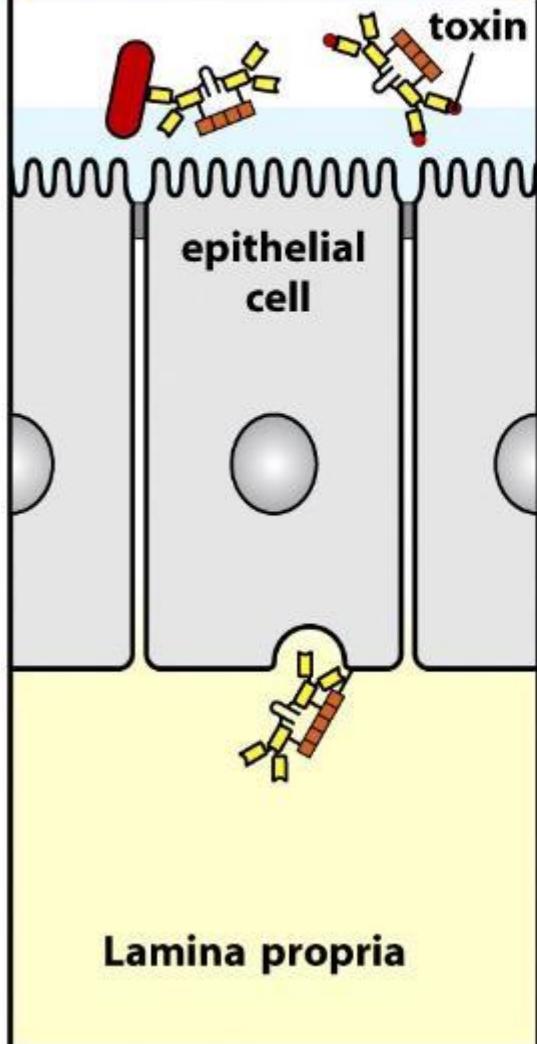




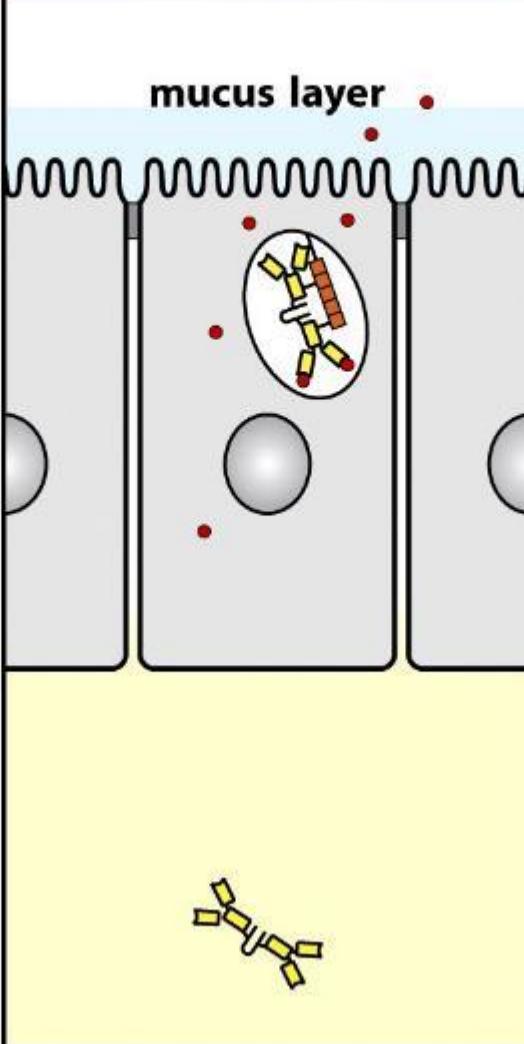
In the lamina propria, plasma cell: \Rightarrow J chain linked IgA dimers
 \Rightarrow polymeric Ig receptors
 \Rightarrow transcytosis to the lumen
 \Rightarrow proteolytic cleavage of the extracellular domain of poly-Ig receptor
 \Rightarrow IgA dimer + secretory component (Secretory IgA)

Le funzioni delle IgA

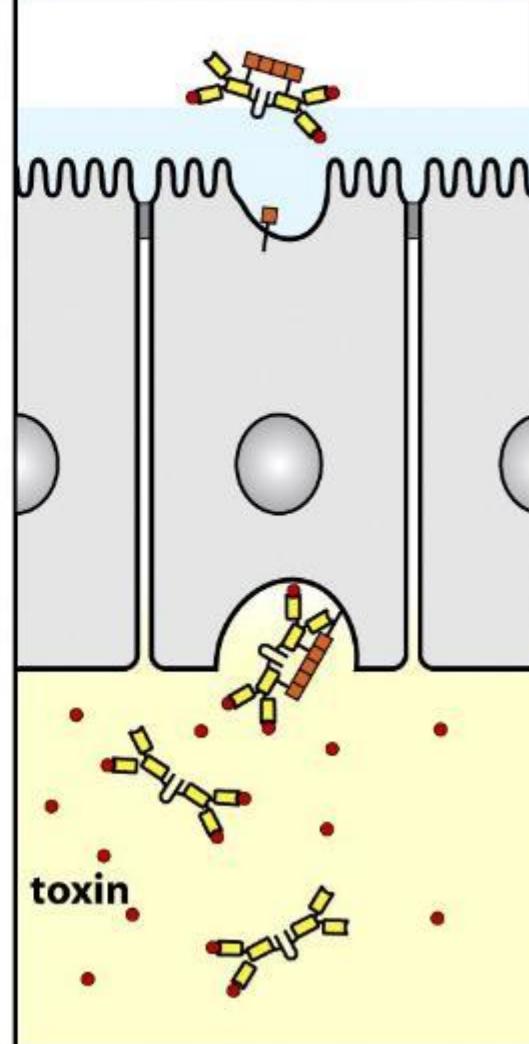
Secreted IgA on the gut surface can bind and neutralize pathogens and toxins



IgA is able to bind and neutralize antigens internalized in endosomes

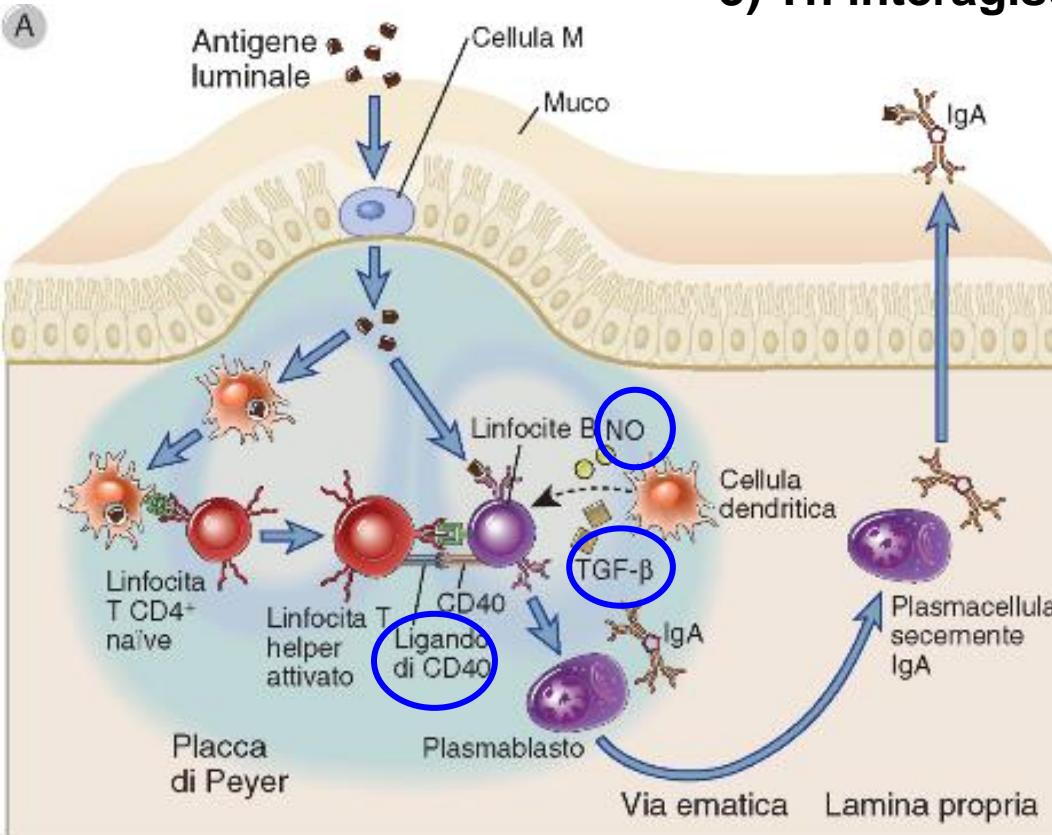


IgA can export toxins and pathogens from the lamina propria while being secreted



La generazione delle IgA

Scambio isotipico T-dipendente



- 1) DC catturano Ag batterici e migrano verso la zona interfollicolare
- 2) Presentazione Ag a Th *naive*
- 3) Th interagiscono con cellule B IgM⁺IgD⁺

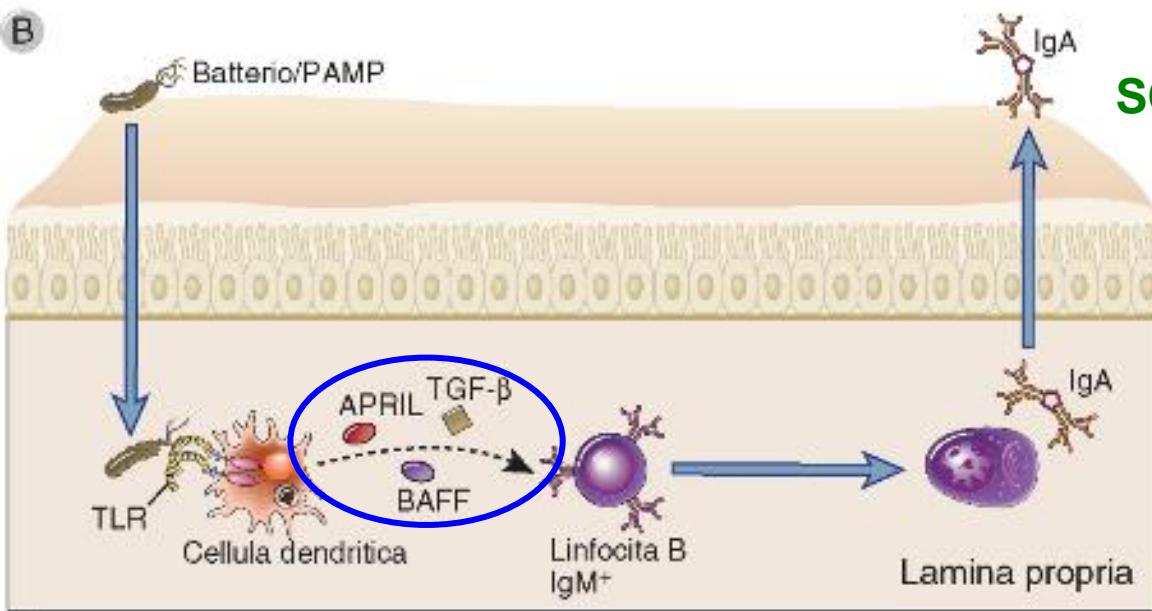
-CD40L
-TGF-beta
- Ossido nitrico (NO)

SCAMBIO ISOTIPICO

IgA alta affinità
vs patogeni e tossine

La generazione delle IgA

Scambio isotipico T-indipendente



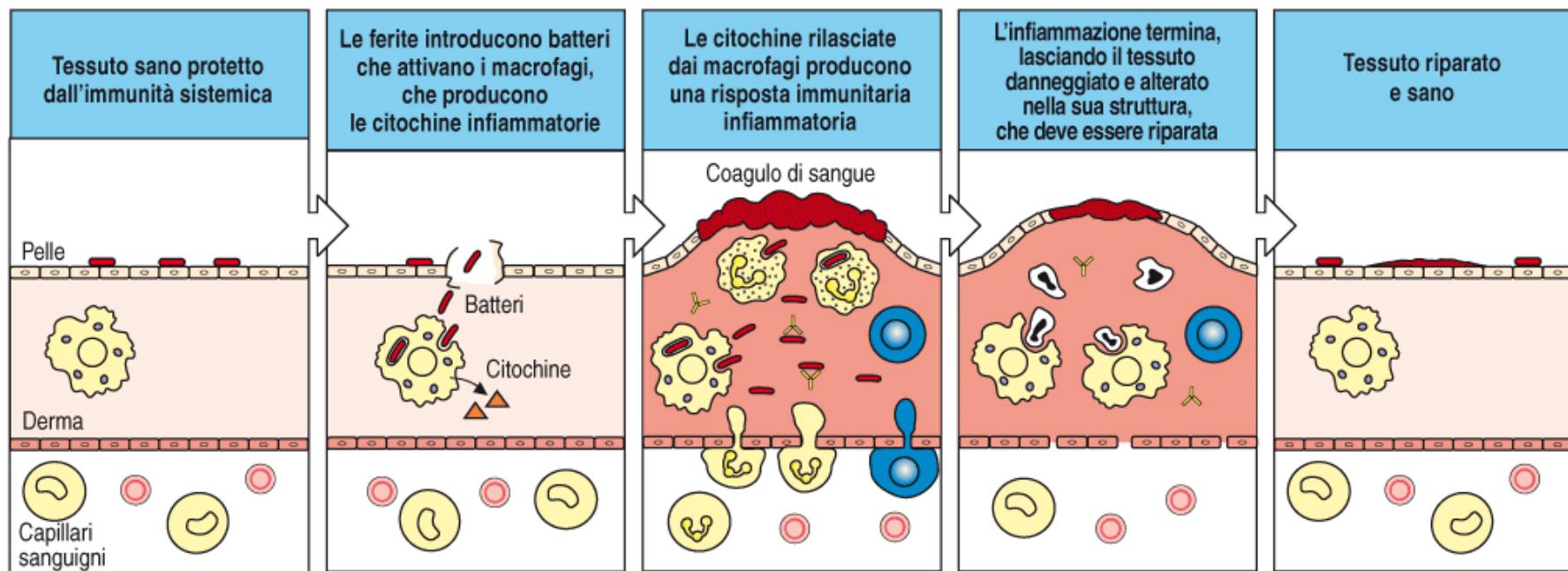
DC attivate dai ligandi TLR:

- APRIL
- TGF-beta
- IL-6
- Acido retinoico

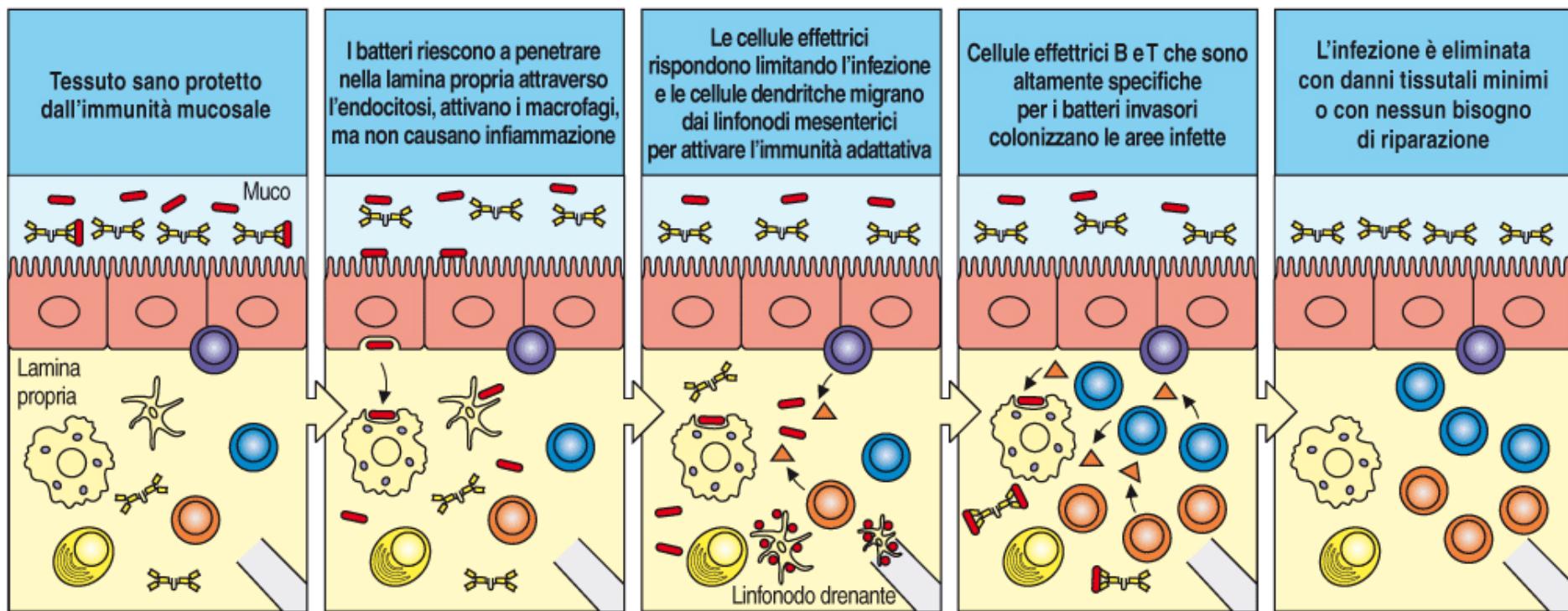
SCAMBIO ISOTIPICO

IgA bassa affinità
batteri intestinali

Mentre la risposta immunitaria sistemica è di tipo reattivo.....



...la risposta immunitaria mucosale è di tipo proattivo

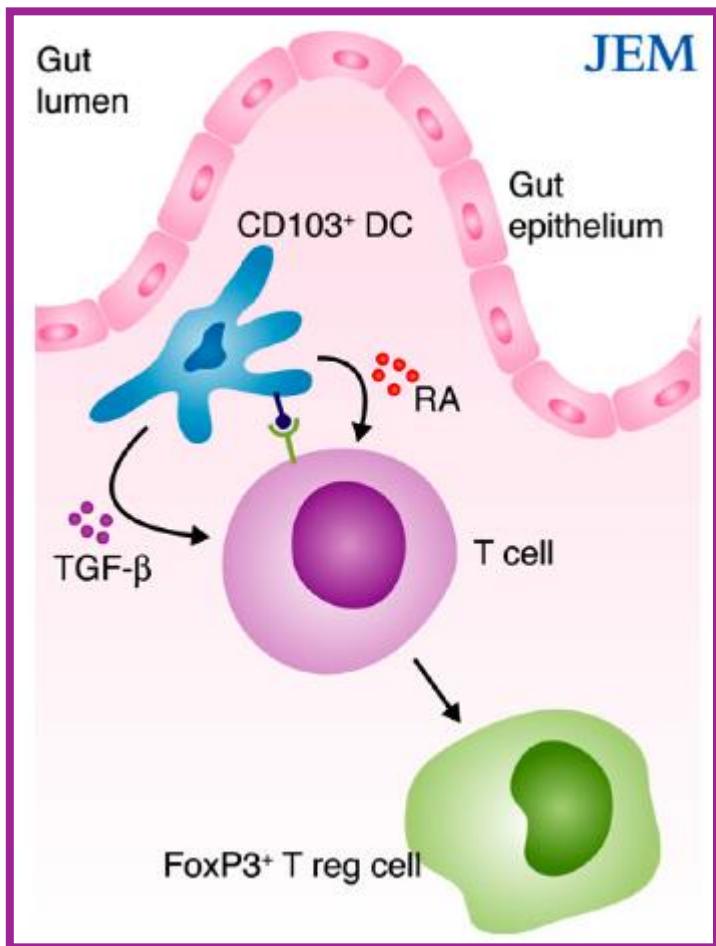


Vantaggi

- **Bloccare precocemente l'infezione**
- **Maggiore efficacia**
- **Prevenire l'infiammazione**

- Enteric pathogens cause **a local inflammatory response** and the development of protective immunity
- The gut is the most frequent site of infection by pathogenic microorganisms
- Innate mechanisms eliminate most intestinal infections rapidly and **without significant spread** beyond the intestine

Many factors contribute to the tolerance of commensal flora



commensal bacteria:

- ❖ deficient escape mechanisms against mucus trapping
- ❖ deficient traits for epithelial adherence and invasion
- ❖ low endotoxicity (non-stimulatory LPS)
- ❖ anti-inflammatory products

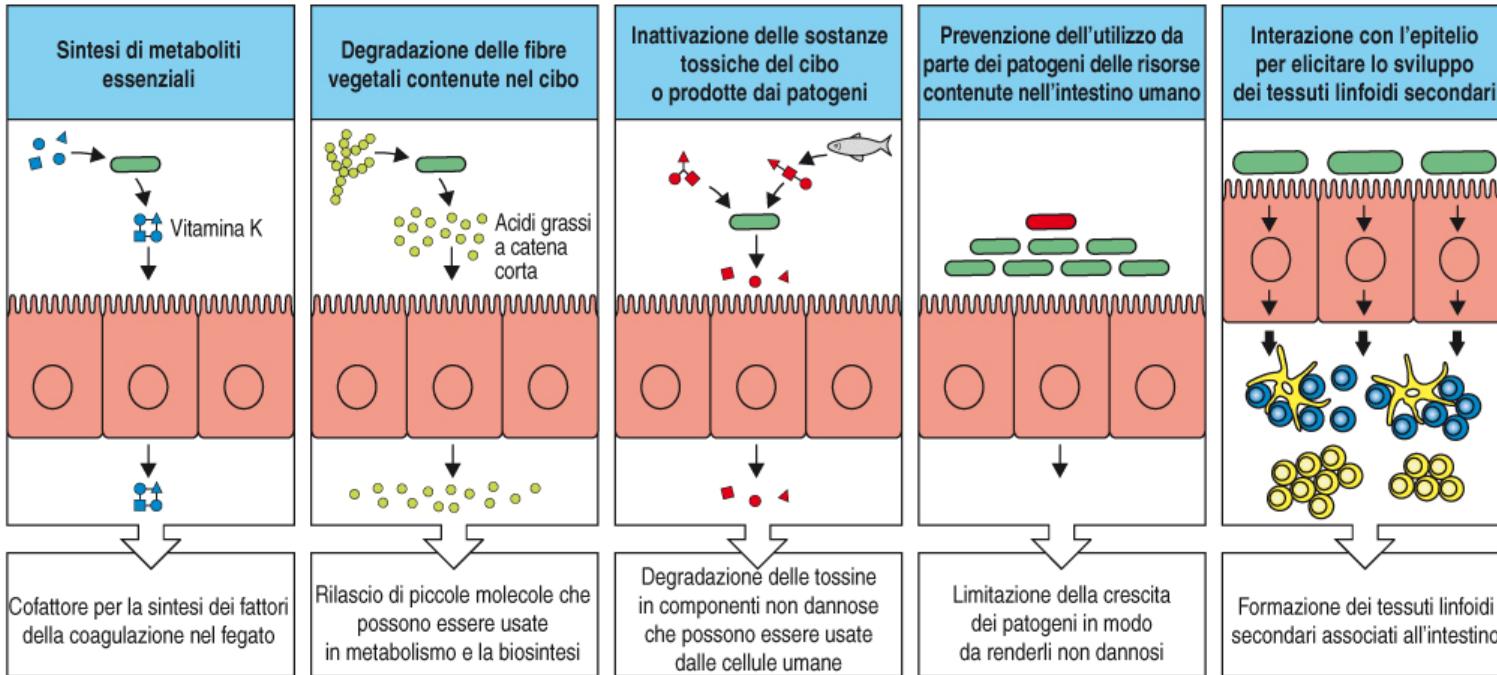
mucosal epithelium:

- ❖ tight junctions (regulated transfer of commensal antigens)
- ❖ defective sensing of PAMPs
- ❖ rapid sensing for invasive microorganisms
- ❖ strong antimicrobial crypt functions (defensins)

immune system:

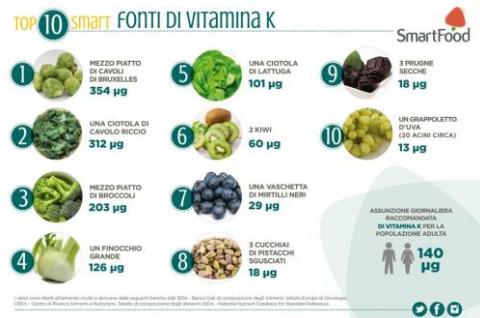
- ❖ Lamina propria contains tolerogenic DC, macrophages, and regulatory T cells producing anti-inflammatory cytokines (IL-10 and TGF β) in response to commensal bacteria
- ❖ DC-derived retinoic acid (RA) and TGF β promote the differentiation and the activation of T reg cells in the gut

Funzioni dei batteri commensali...



La vitamina K viene scarsamente immagazzinata e ha una emivita breve (ca. 18 ore). Necessario un apporto continuo (dieta+batteri)

TOP 10 smart FONTI DI VITAMINA K

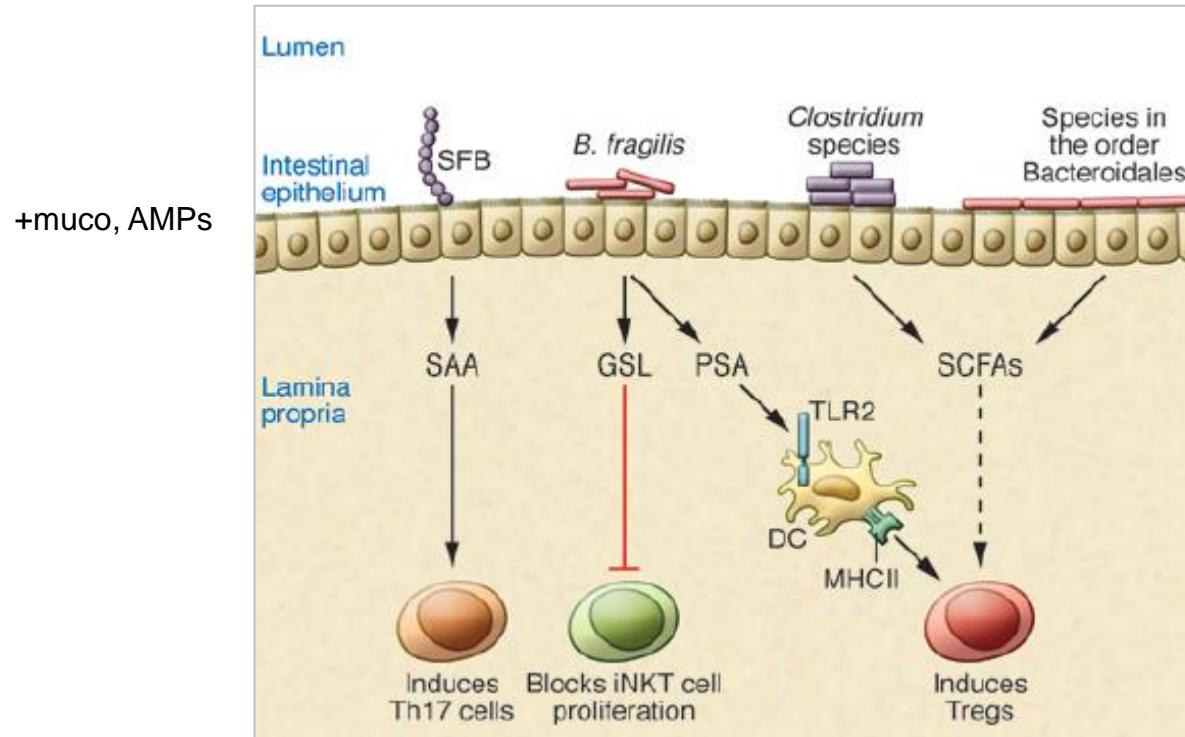


interviene nella sintesi della protrombina
=> vitamina antiemorragica (K= Koagulation vitamin)

Competizione per i nutrienti e produzione di AMPs e metaboliti che influenzano la sopravvivenza e la virulenza dei patogeni

Modulazione delle funzioni delle DC e di altre cellule dell'immunità innata (sia a livello locale che sistemico) che promuovono lo sviluppo di linfociti T e B effettori

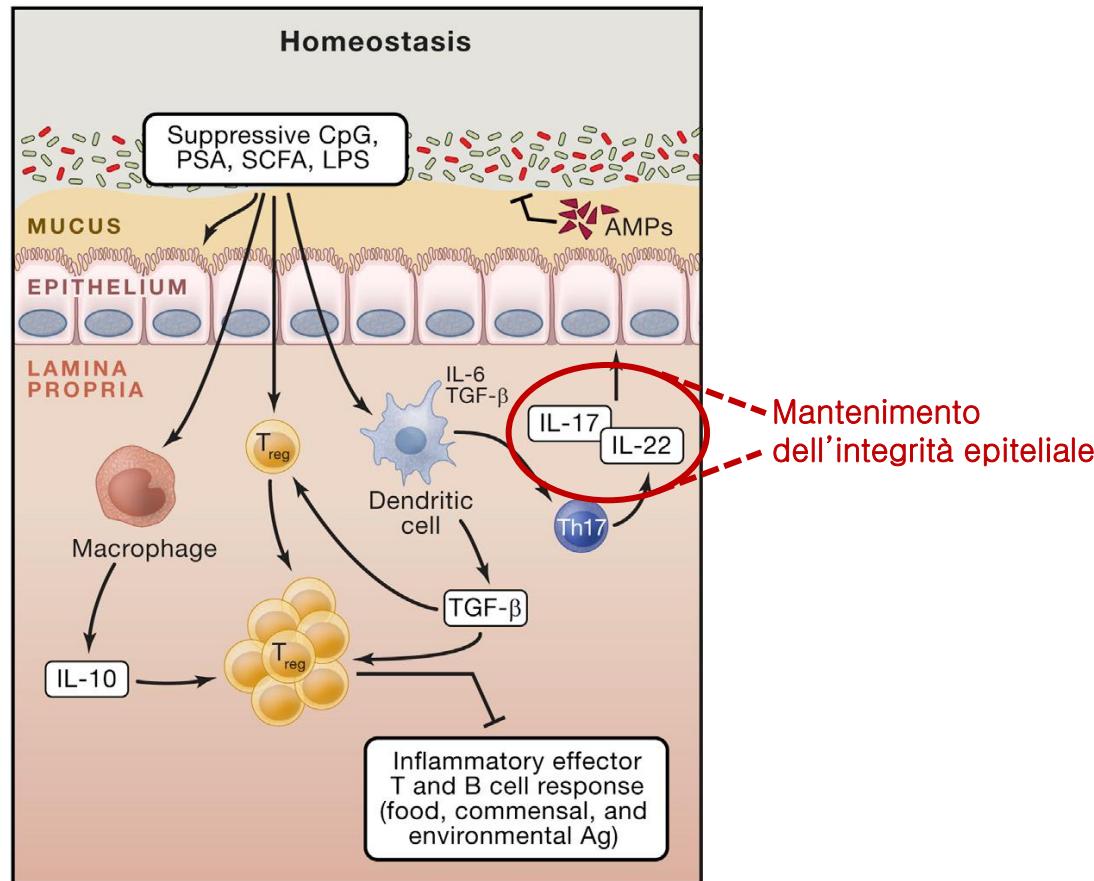
... e loro effetto sul sistema immunitario intestinale innato e adattativo (I)



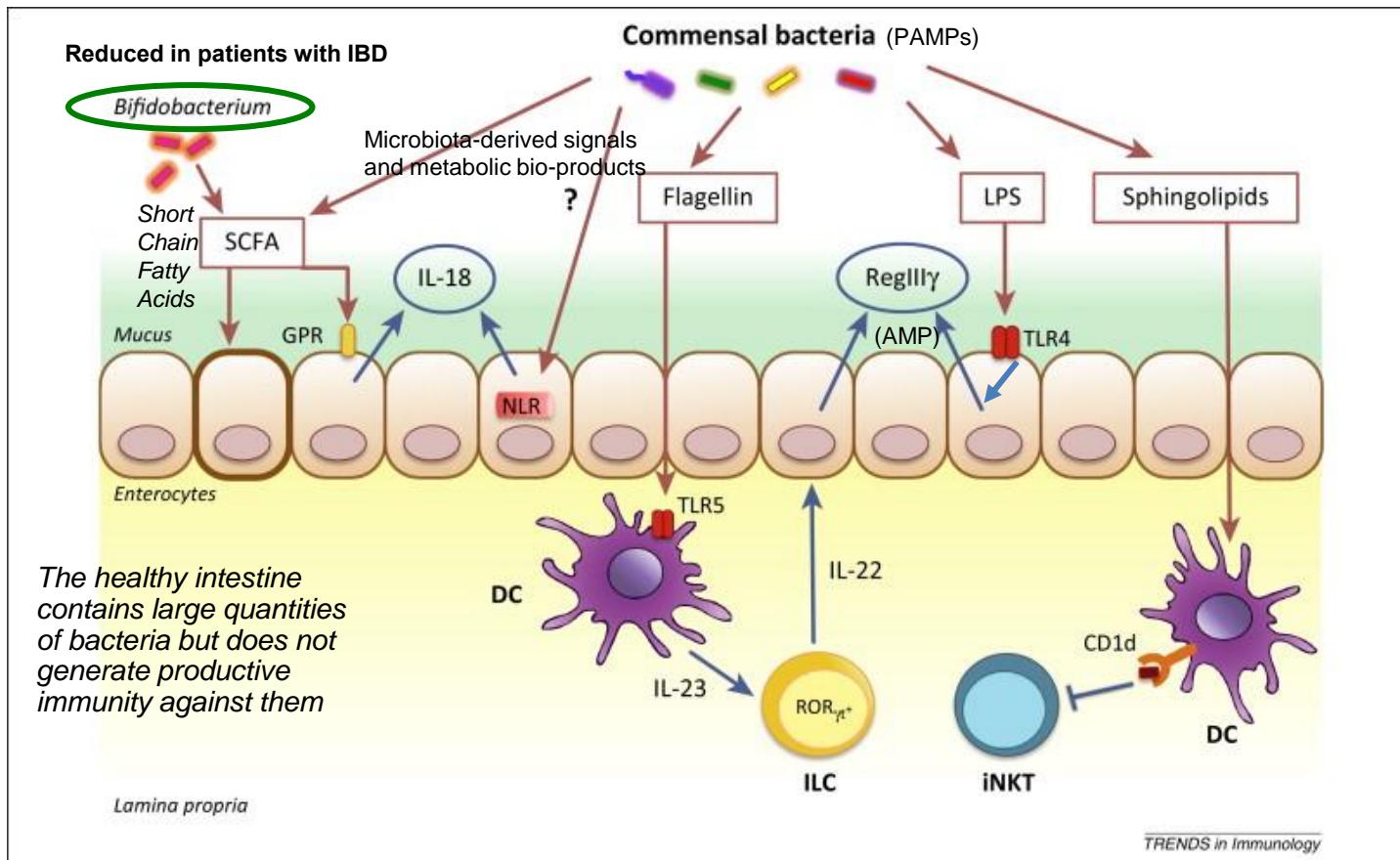
Segmented filamentous bacteria (SFB)
Serum amyloid A (SAA)
Glycosphingolipid (GSL)
Polysaccharide A (PSA)
Short-chain fatty acids (SCFA)

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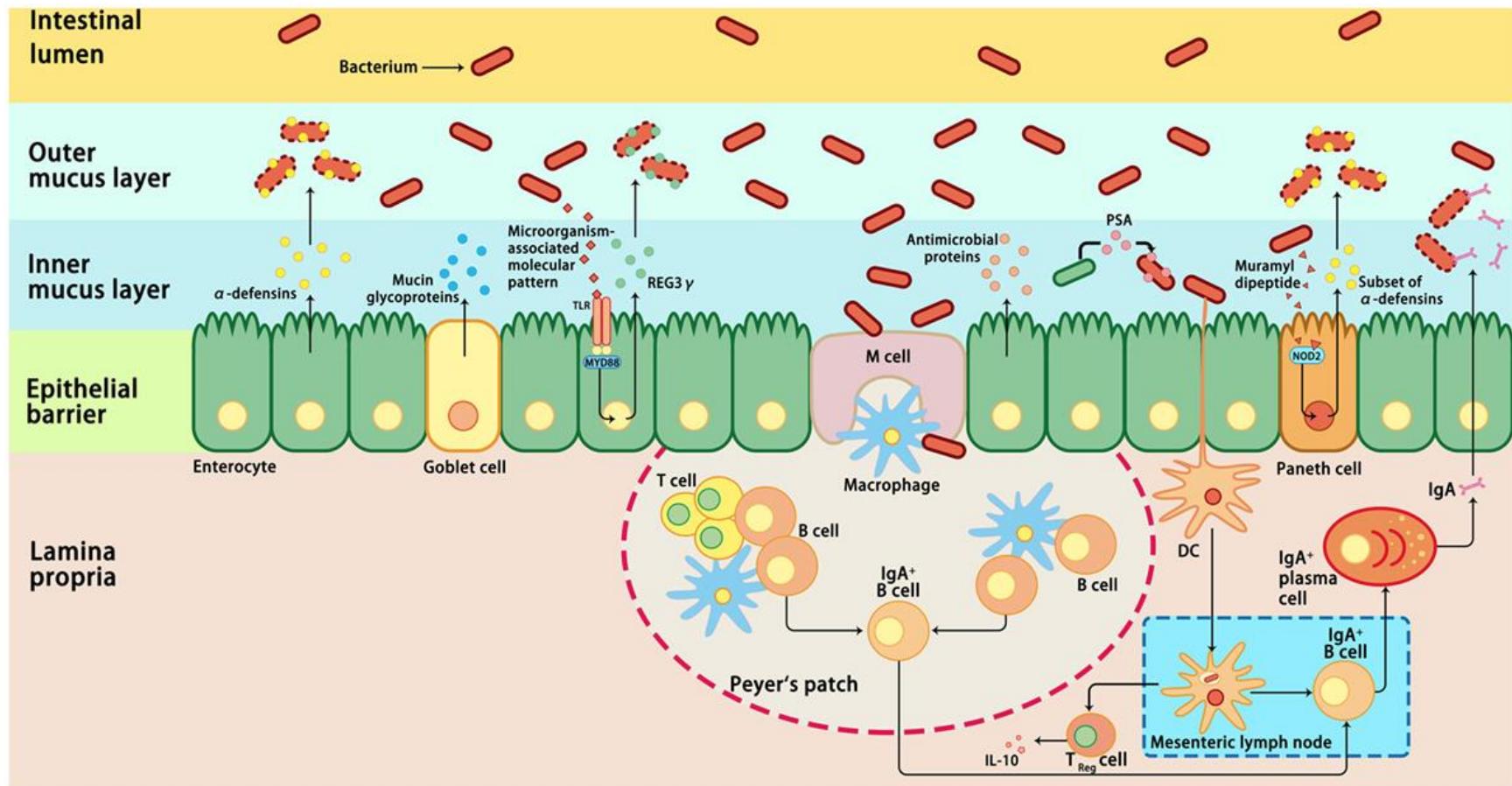
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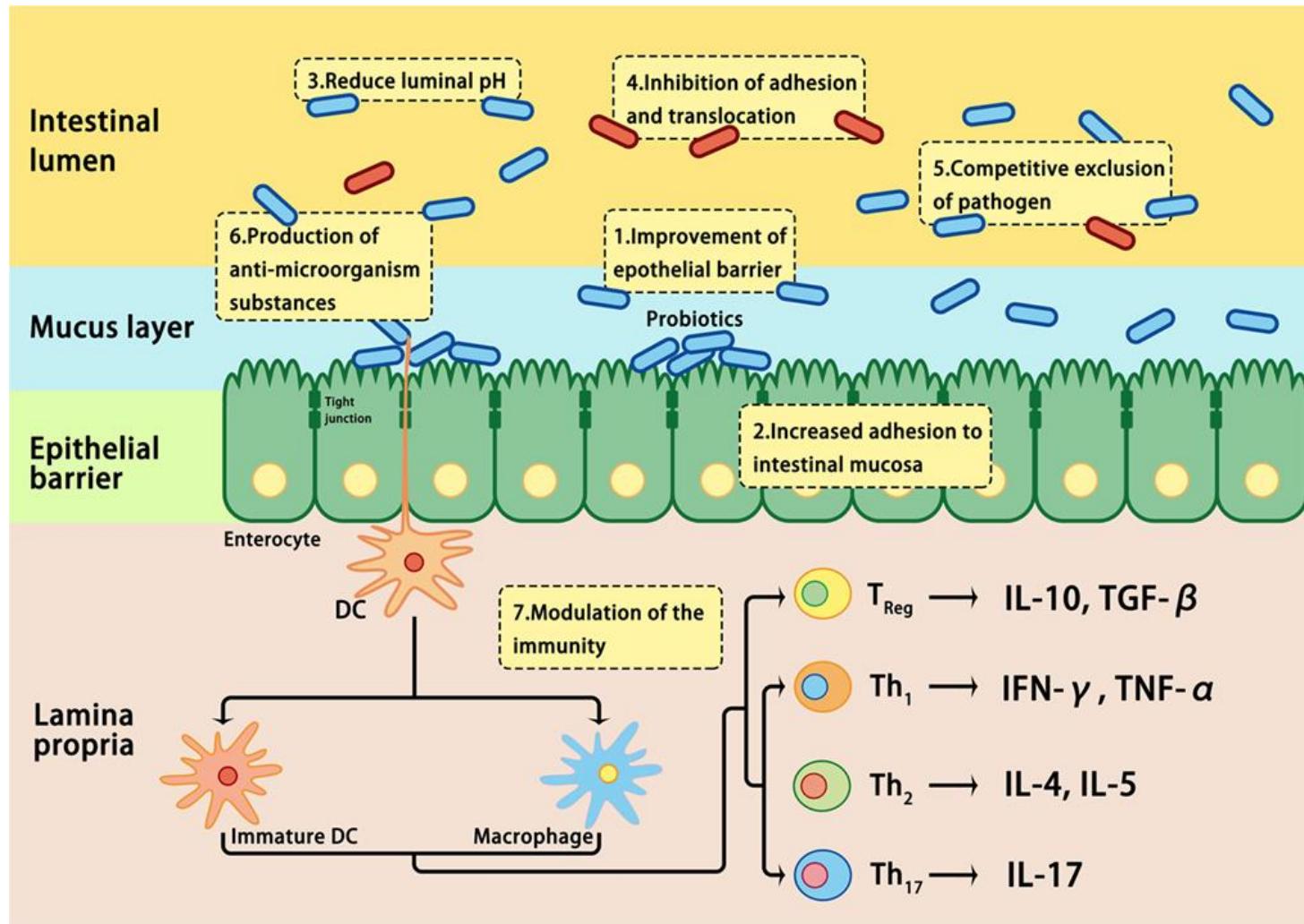
Il microbiota influenza la risposta immunitaria innata



La funzione principale di mediatori e cellule indotti dalle risposte immunitarie innate: ⇒ iniziare le risposte immunitarie adattative

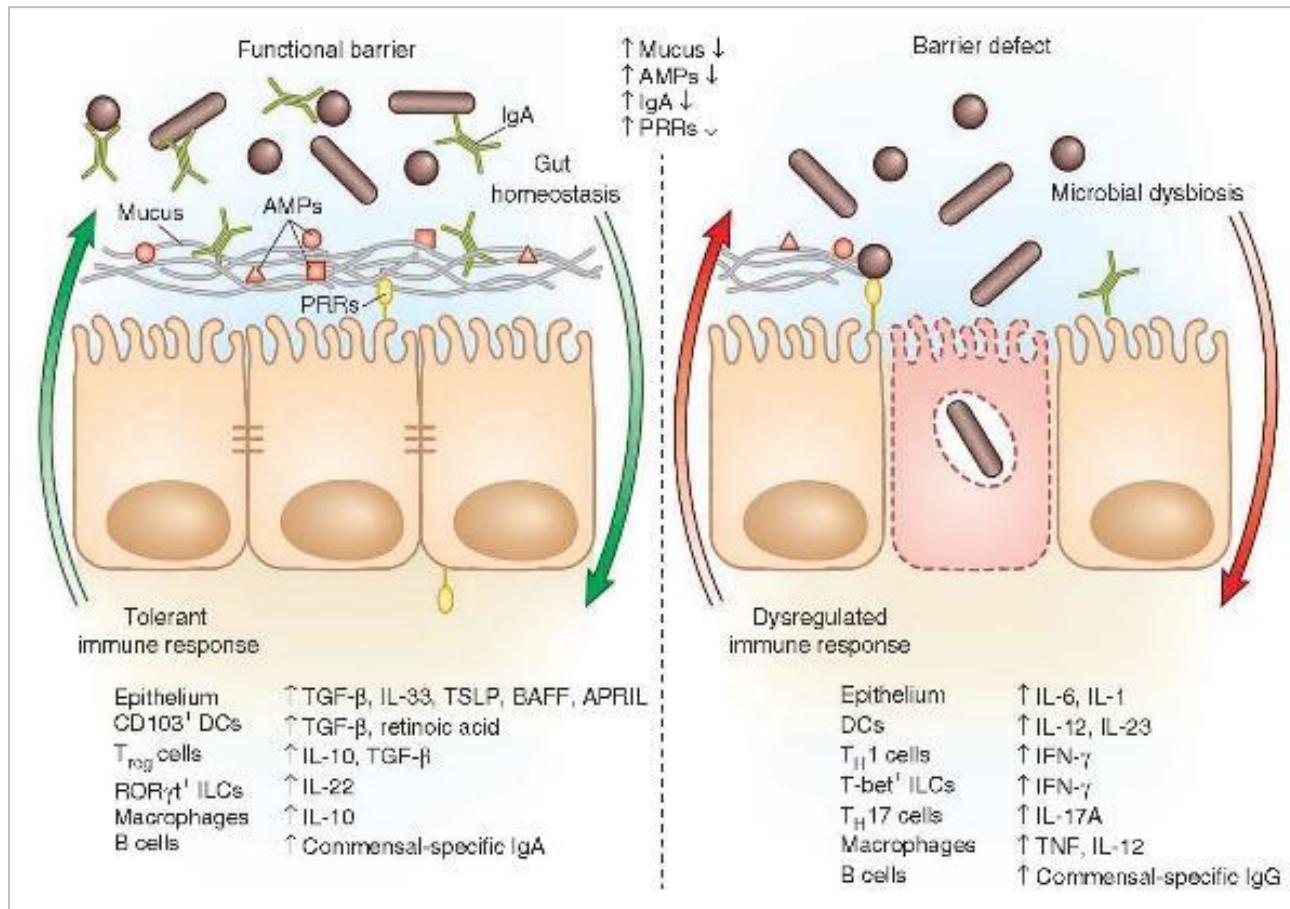


Meccanismi coinvolti nella protezione indotta dai probiotici contro le disbiosi intestinali



L'equilibrio dell'immunità mucosale e del microbiota nell'intestino

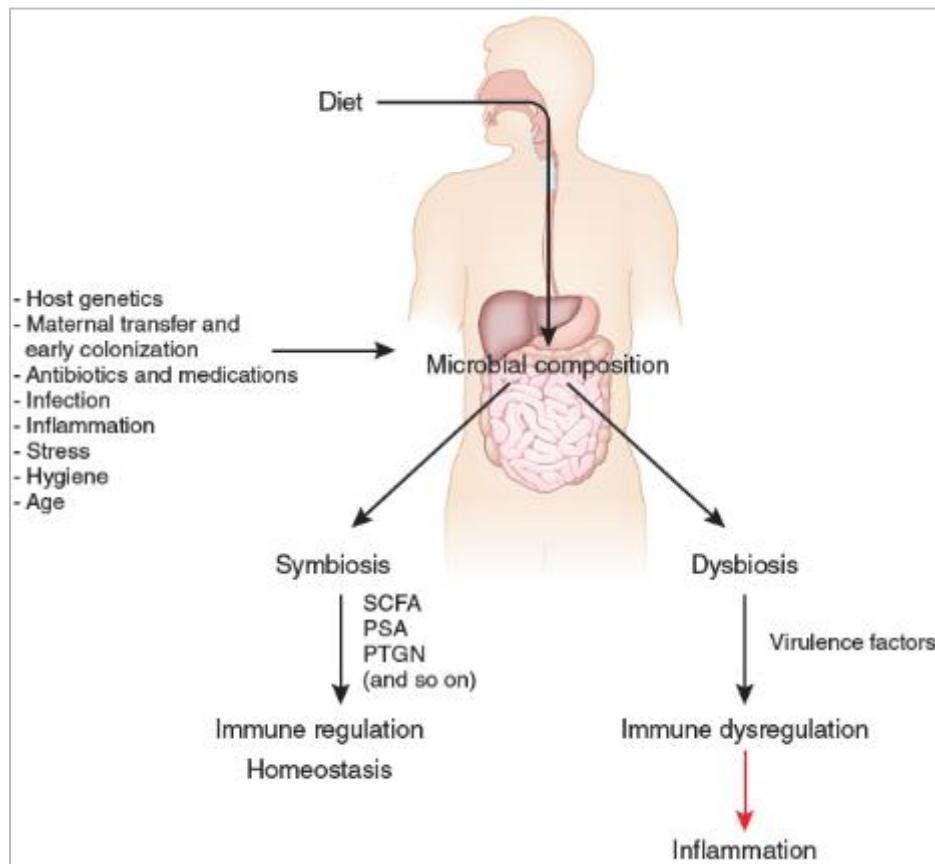
+Goblet cells,
Paneth cells, ecc.



risposta anti-infiammatoria/immunosoppressiva

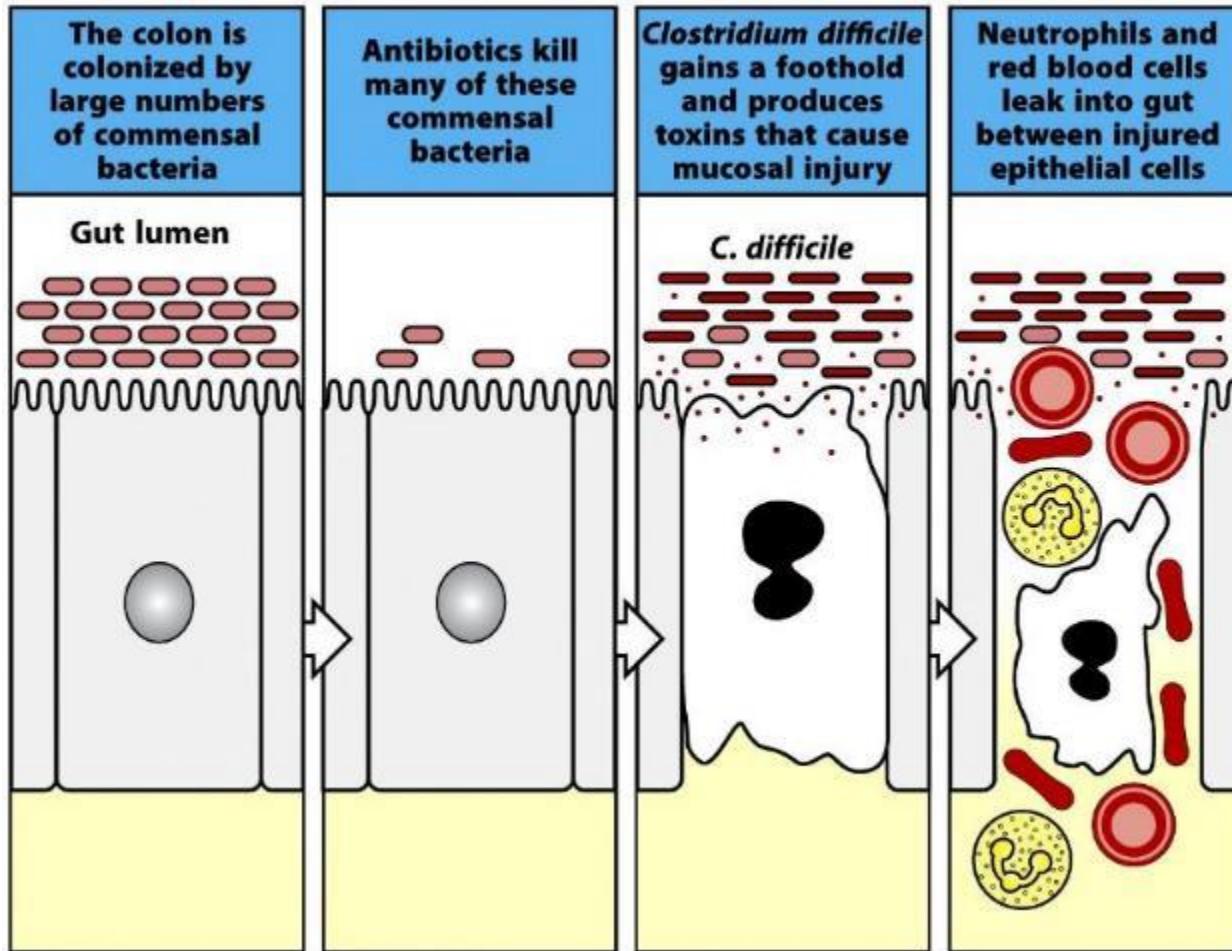
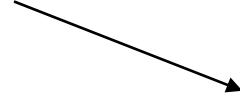
risposta pro-infiammatoria

Dieta, microbiota e regolazione del sistema immunitario



The symbiosis between the microbiota and its mammalian host encompasses multiple relationships:

- **Mutualistic**
- **Parasitic**
- **Commensal**



Il sistema immunitario delle mucose: un equilibrio complesso



Immunità
protettiva

Omeostasi
verso un vasto numero
di antigeni estranei

La maggior parte degli antigeni che il sistema immunitario dell'intestino incontra non derivano da patogeni ma dal **cibo** e da **batteri commensali**

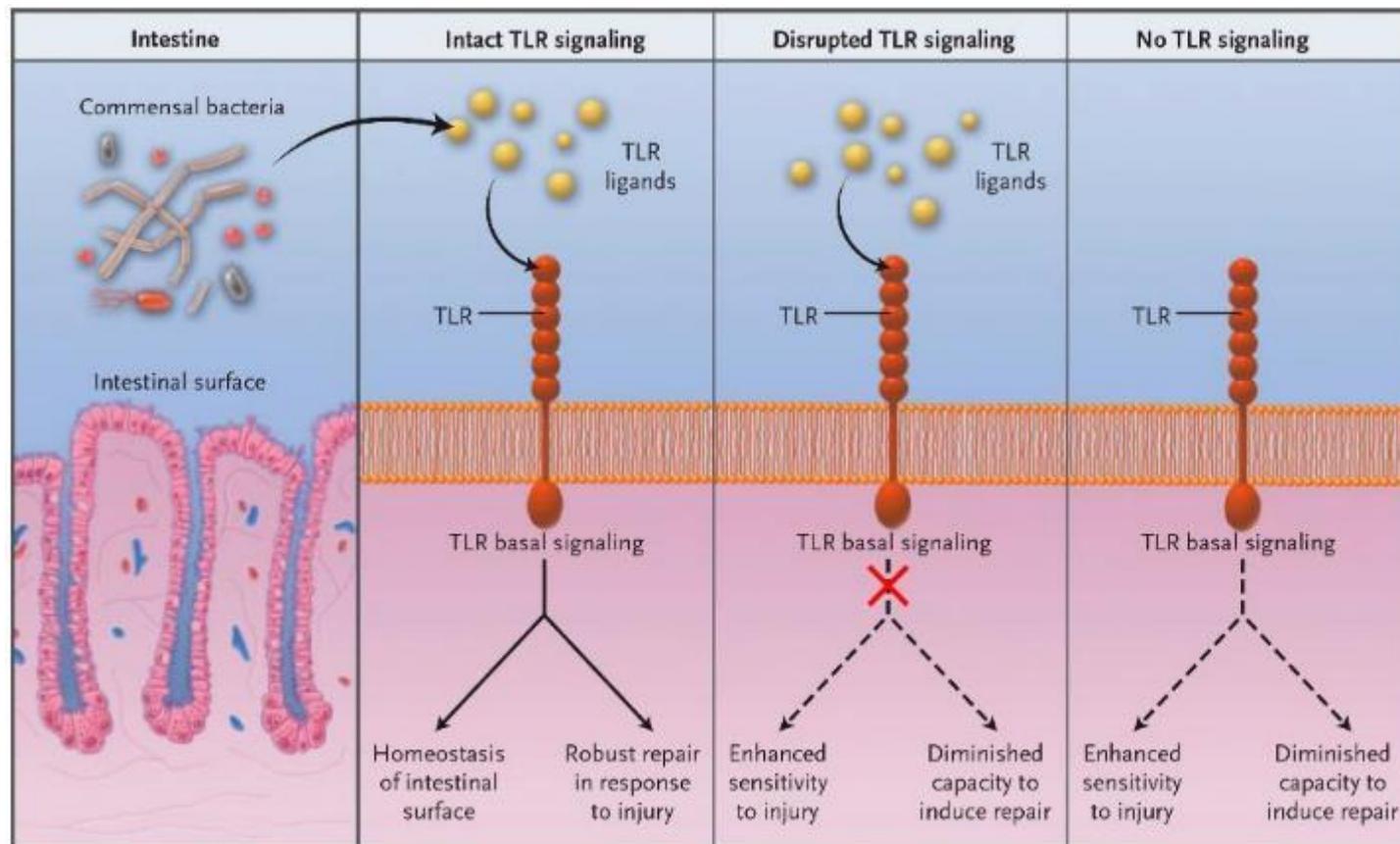
- Il sistema immunitario delle mucose ha sviluppato meccanismi molto sofisticati per discriminare i patogeni dagli antigeni innocui

**L'intestino sano contiene grandi quantità di batteri,
ma non sviluppa una risposta immunitaria contro di essi**



- Il microbiota è richiesto per la normale funzione di barriera dell'epitelio.
- Il ruolo protettivo della flora intestinale è drammaticamente illustrato dagli **effetti avversi degli antibiotici**.
- Il ruolo protettivo dei TLR sembra coinvolgere le cellule epiteliali, che sono più resistenti al **danno indotto dall'infiammazione**.
→
- I TLR sono coinvolti nella proliferazione epiteliale, nel mantenimento delle giunzioni strette, nella produzione di peptidi antimicrobici.

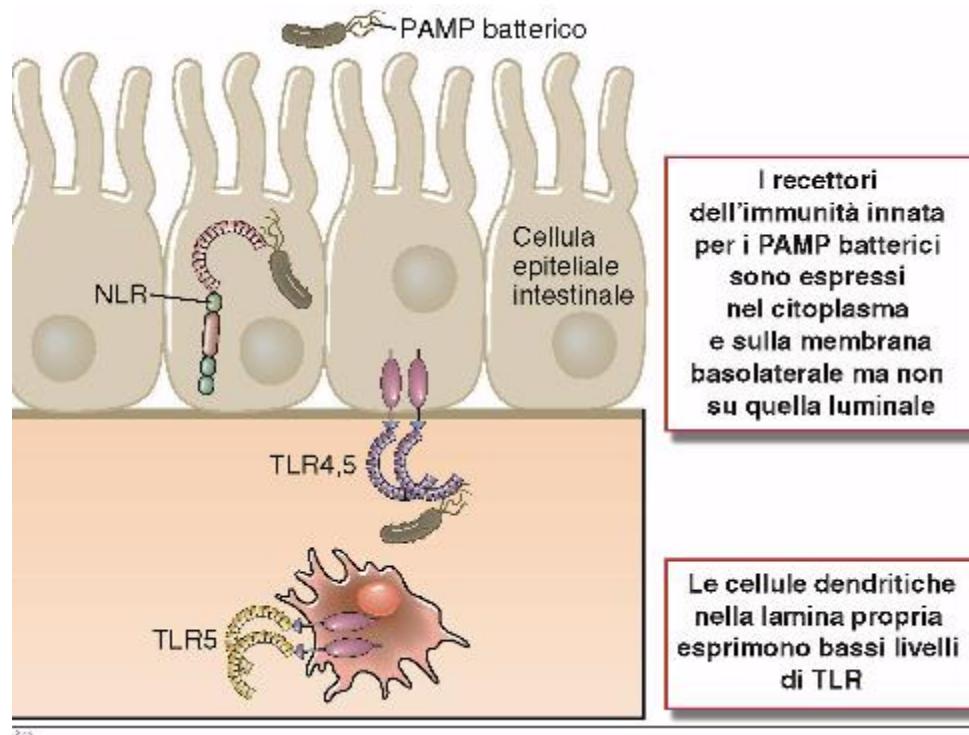
Una stimolazione «basale» dei TLR da parte di batteri commensali aumenta la capacità delle cellule epiteliali di riparare un danno



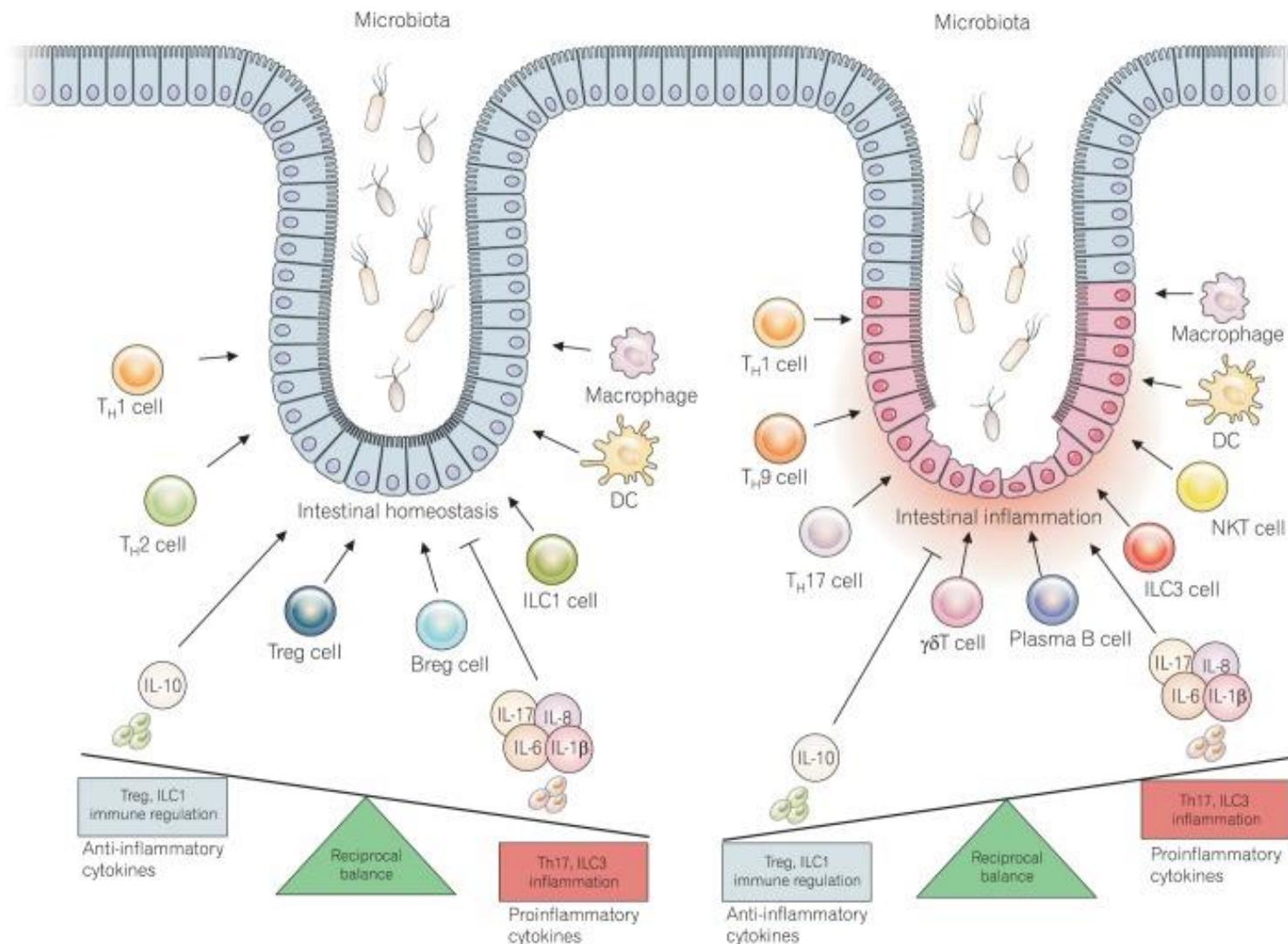
EPITHELIAL CELLS HAVE A CRUCIAL ROLE IN THE INNATE DEFENSE AGAINST PATHOGENS

Espressione polarizzata del TLR5:

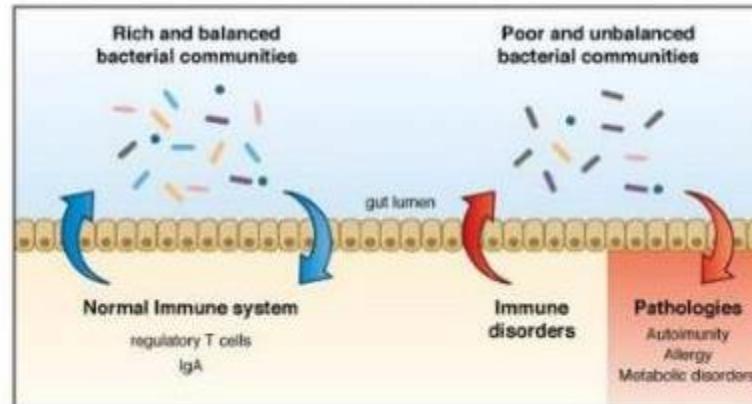
Risposta infiammatoria ridotta nei confronti dei batteri commensali



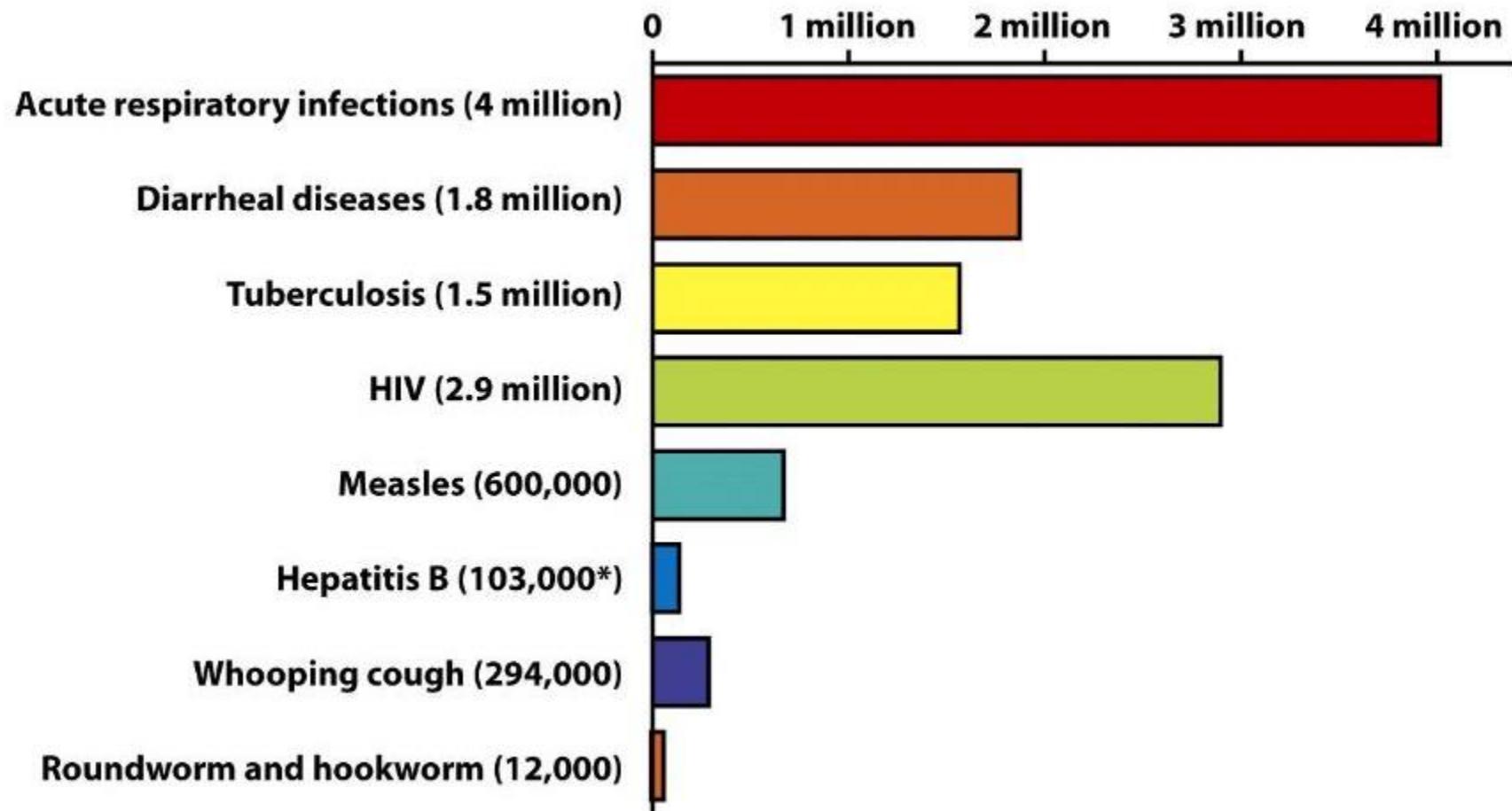
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Malattie correlate alle infezioni e alle risposte immunitarie nell'intestino



Worldwide deaths annually from mucosal infections



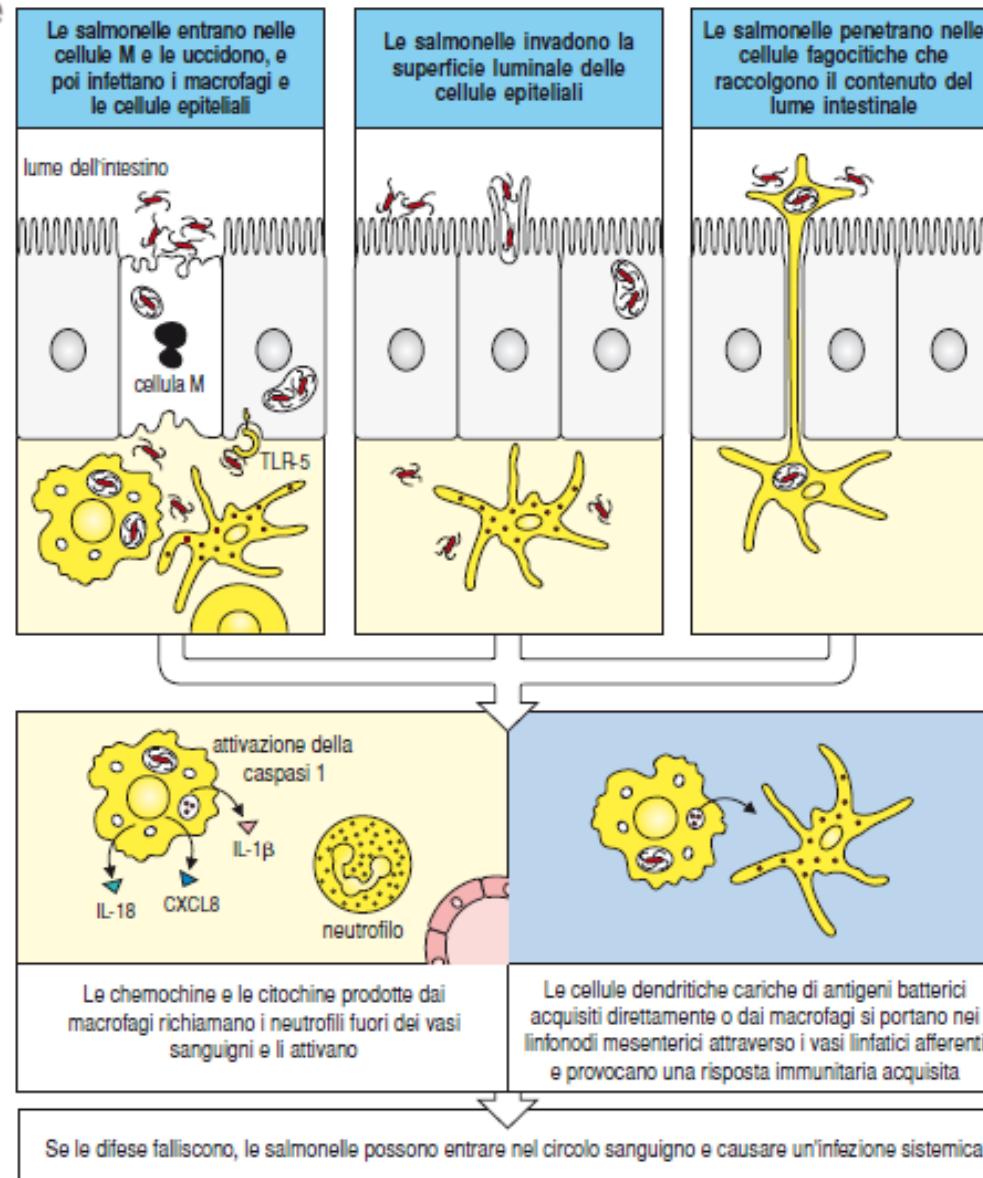
Intestinal pathogens and human disease	
Bacteria	
<i>Salmonella typhi</i>	Typhoid fever
<i>Salmonella paratyphi</i>	Enteric fever (paratyphoid)
<i>Salmonella enteritidis</i>	Food poisoning
<i>Vibrio cholera</i>	Cholera
<i>Shigella dysenteriae, flexneri, sonnei</i>	Dysentery
Enteropathogenic <i>E. coli</i> (EPEC)	Gastroenteritis, systemic infection
Enterohemolytic <i>E. coli</i> (EHEC)	Gastroenteritis, systemic infection
Enterotoxigenic <i>E. coli</i> (ETEC)	Gastroenteritis, 'travelers diarrhea'
Enteroaggregative <i>E. coli</i> (EAEC)	Gastroenteritis, systemic infection
<i>Yersinia enterocolitica</i>	Gastroenteritis, systemic infection
<i>Clostridium difficile</i>	Necrotizing enterocolitis
<i>Campylobacter jejuni</i>	Gastroenteritis
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	Gastroenteritis
<i>Bacillus cereus</i>	Gastroenteritis
<i>Clostridium perfringens</i>	Gastroenteritis
<i>Helicobacter pylori</i>	Gastritis, peptic ulcer, gastric cancer
<i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i>	Intestinal TB
<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>	Foodborne infection
Viruses	
Rotaviruses	Gastroenteritis
Norwalk-like viruses	'Winter vomiting' disease
Astroviruses	'Winter vomiting' disease
Adenoviruses	'Winter vomiting' disease

Intestinal pathogens and human disease	
Parasites	
Protozoa	
<i>Giardia lamblia</i> <i>Blastocystis hominis</i> <i>Toxoplasma gondii</i> <i>Cryptosporidium parvum</i> <i>Entamoeba histolytica</i> <i>Microsporidium</i> species	Gastroenteritis Gastroenteritis (esp. in immunocompromised hosts) Gastroenteritis, systemic disease (esp. in immunocompromised hosts) Gastroenteritis (esp. in immunocompromised hosts) Amebic dysentery + liver abscesses Diarrheal disease
Helminths	
<i>Ascaris lumbricoides</i> <i>Necator americanus</i> <i>Strongyloides</i> species <i>Enterobius</i> species <i>Trichinella spiralis</i> <i>Trichuris trichiura</i> <i>Taenia</i> species <i>Schistosoma</i> species	Roundworm infection of small intestine Hookworm infection of small intestine Roundworm infection of small intestine Pinworm infection of large intestine Trichinosis Whipworm infection of large intestine Tapeworm infections Schistosomiasis: enteritis, mesenteric vein infection

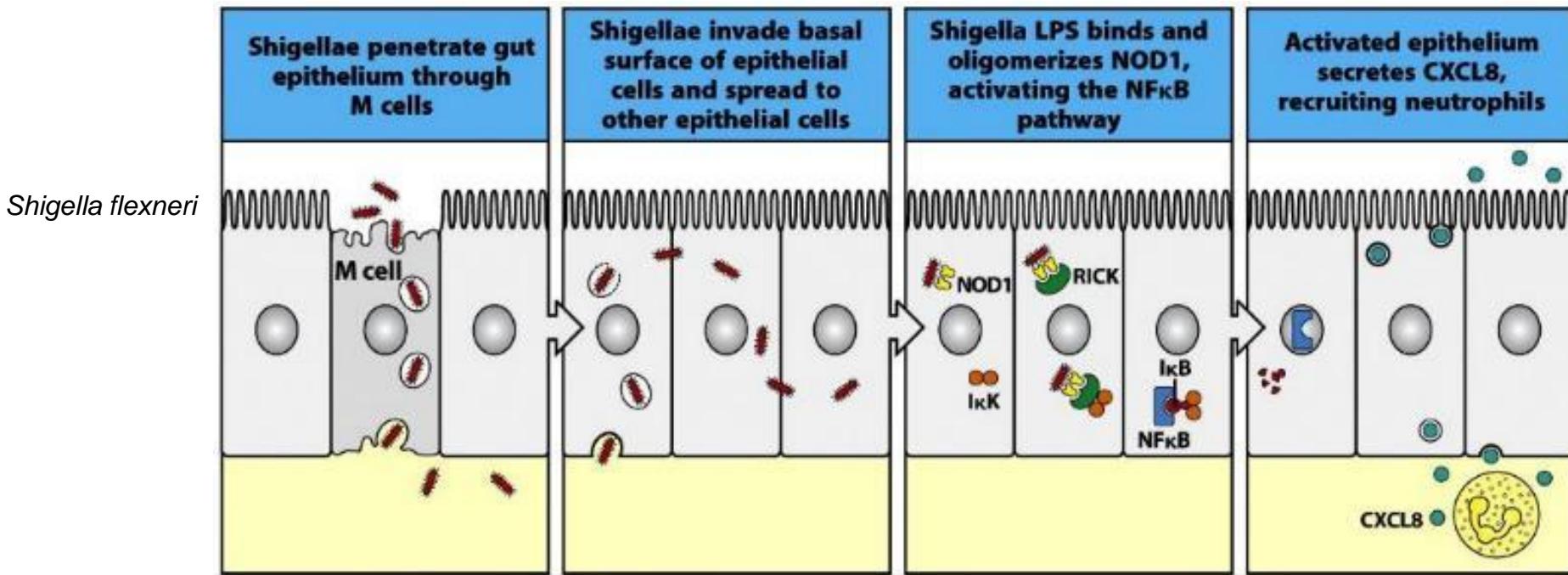
- Il risultato finale di una infezione da parte di un patogeno intestinale è determinato da **interazioni reciproche** tra il microrganismo e la risposta immunitaria dell'ospite
- Inoltre, molti patogeni enterici sfruttano i meccanismi che l'ospite usa per la cattura dell'antigene attraverso le cellule M e l'infiammazione come parte della loro strategia di infezione
(e.g., *Salmonella typhimurium*, *Shigella flexneri*)

...Le salmonelle sfruttano i meccanismi che l'ospite usa per la cattura dell'antigene attraverso le cellule M e l'infiammazione come parte della loro strategia di infezione

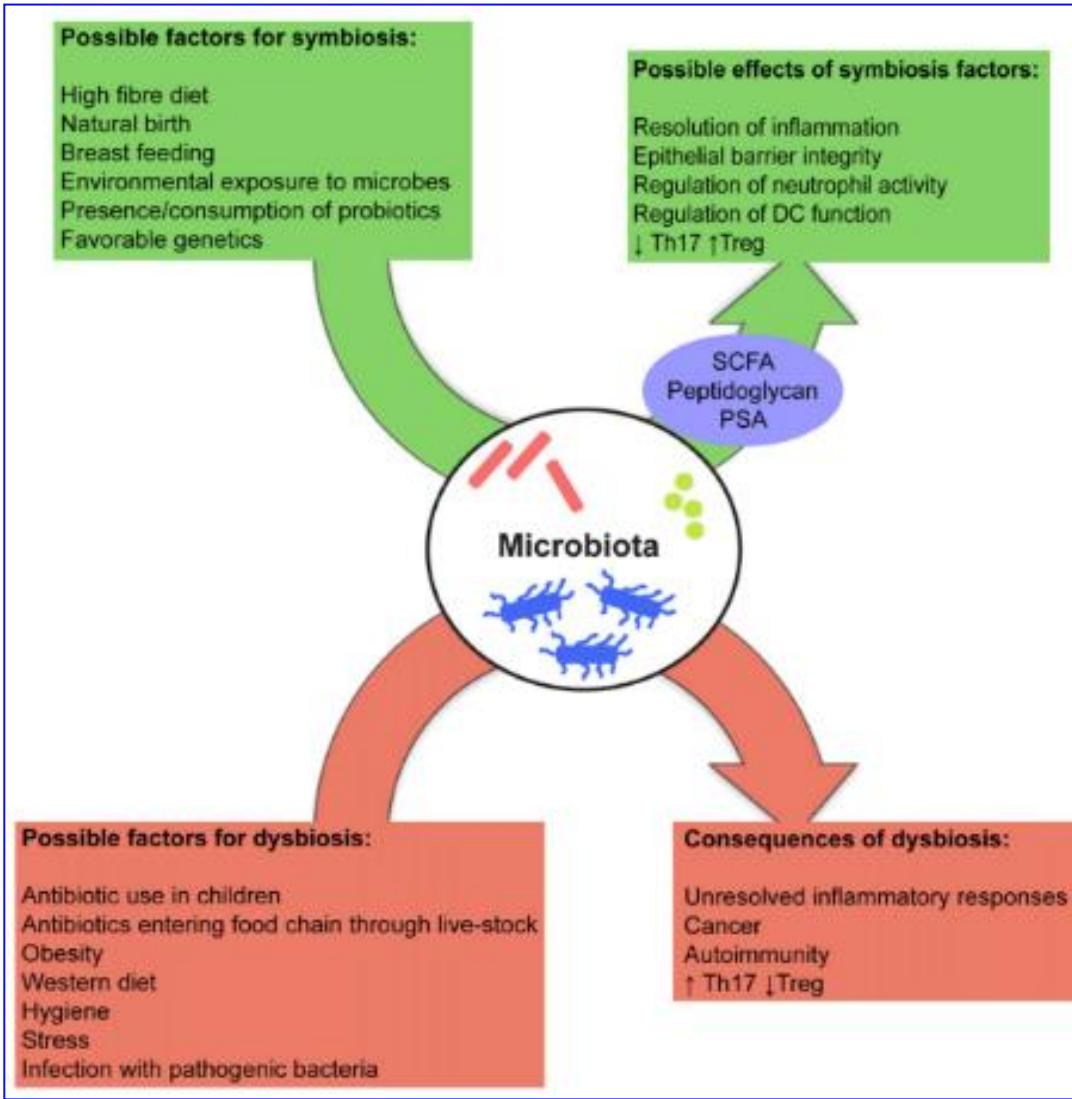
Salmonella Typhimurium



- **La risposta infiammatoria dell'ospite è una parte a volte essenziale nel processo di invasione dei batteri**
- I batteri che hanno attraversato le cellule M per transcitosi sono liberi di interagire con i TLR espressi dalle cellule infiammatorie ed epiteliali.
- Dopo essere stati ingeriti dai fagociti, molti di questi microrganismi inducono la morte per apotosi del fagocita.
- Induzione di una cascata di citochine e mediatori dell'infiammazione (es., IL-1-beta, TNF-alfa)
 - ⇒ allentamento delle giunzioni strette tra le cellule epiteliali
 - ⇒ passaggio dei microorganismi nel tessuto sottostante

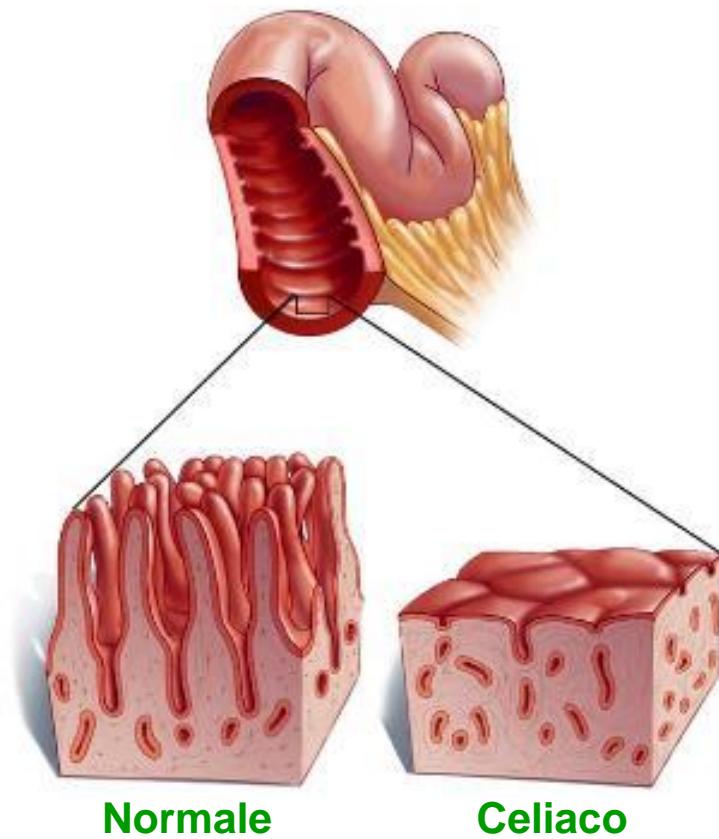


Possible factors controlling gut microbiota

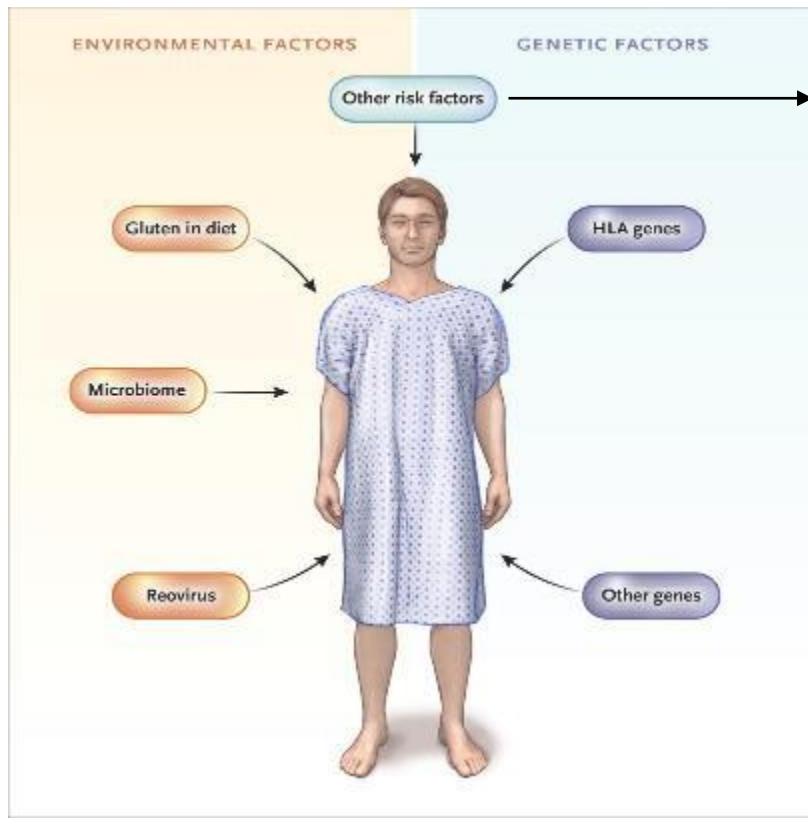


Environmental factors have a great influence on gut microbiota

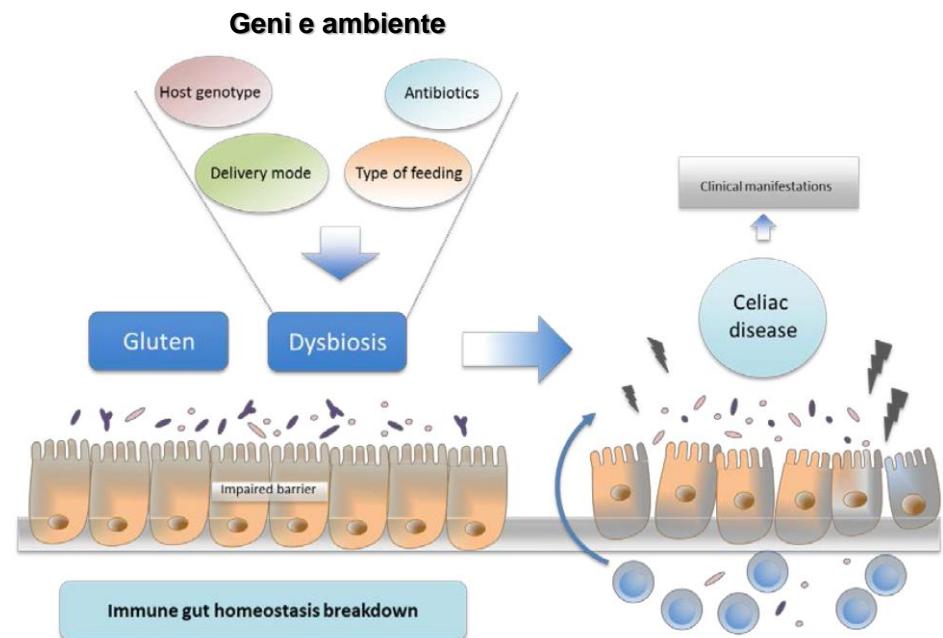
La celiachia



Celiac disease (gluten-sensitive enteropathy)



At least in the mouse model, a combination of HLA-II genetic makeup, gluten in the diet, and reovirus infection was insufficient to cause the characteristic change of villous atrophy in the small intestine.



Glutine

Frumento



gliadina + glutenina

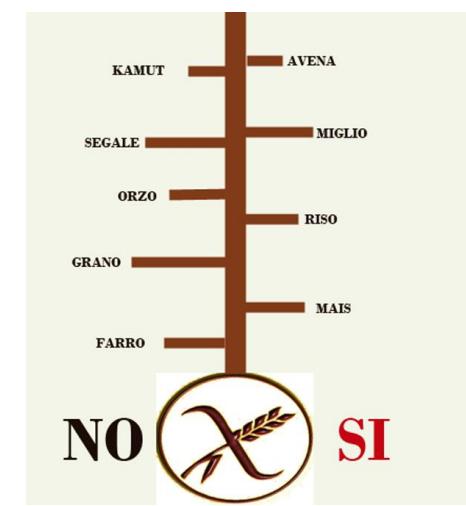
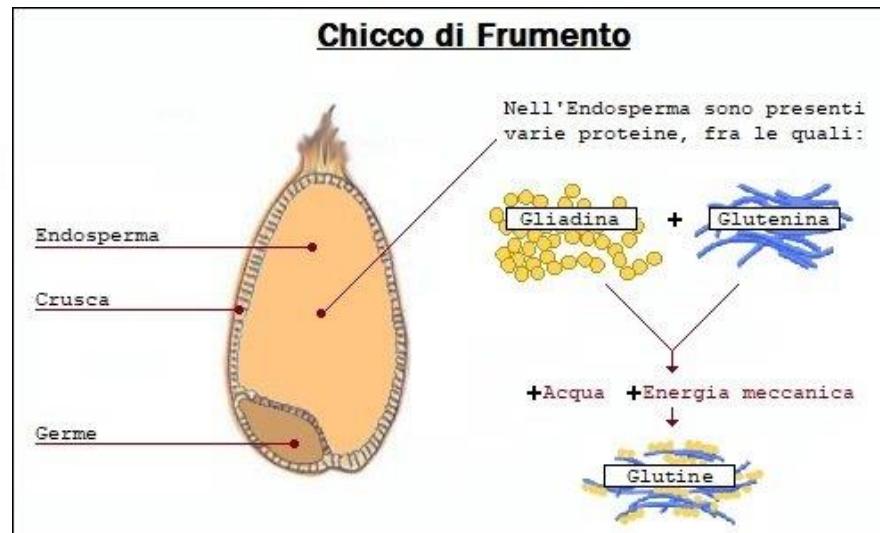
Farro



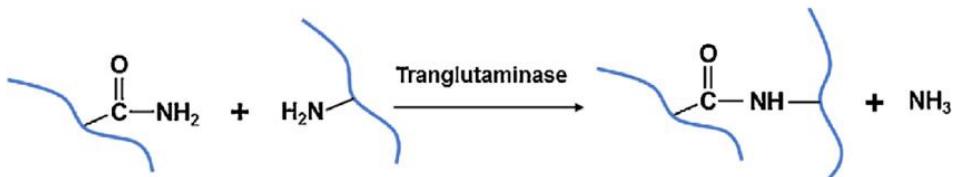
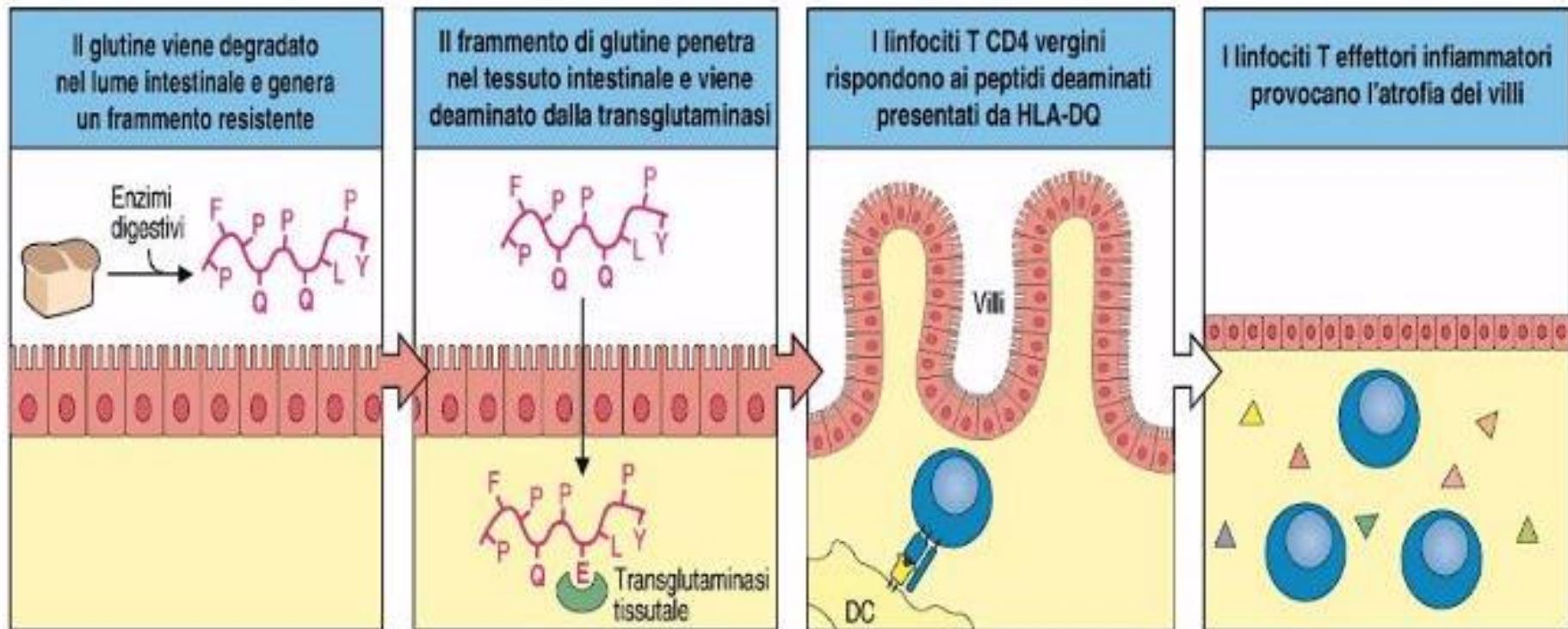
Orzo

Segale

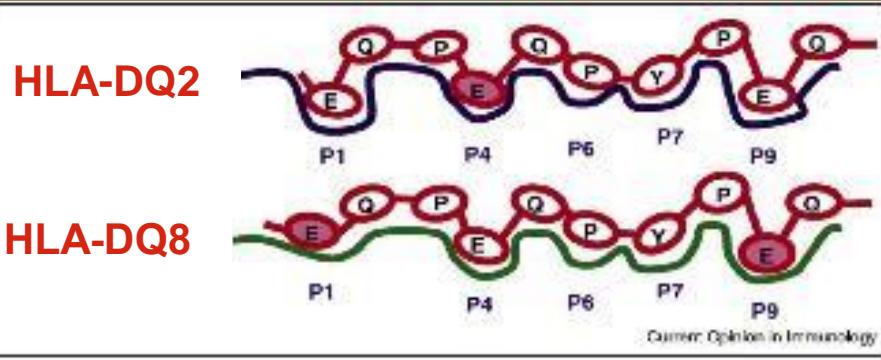
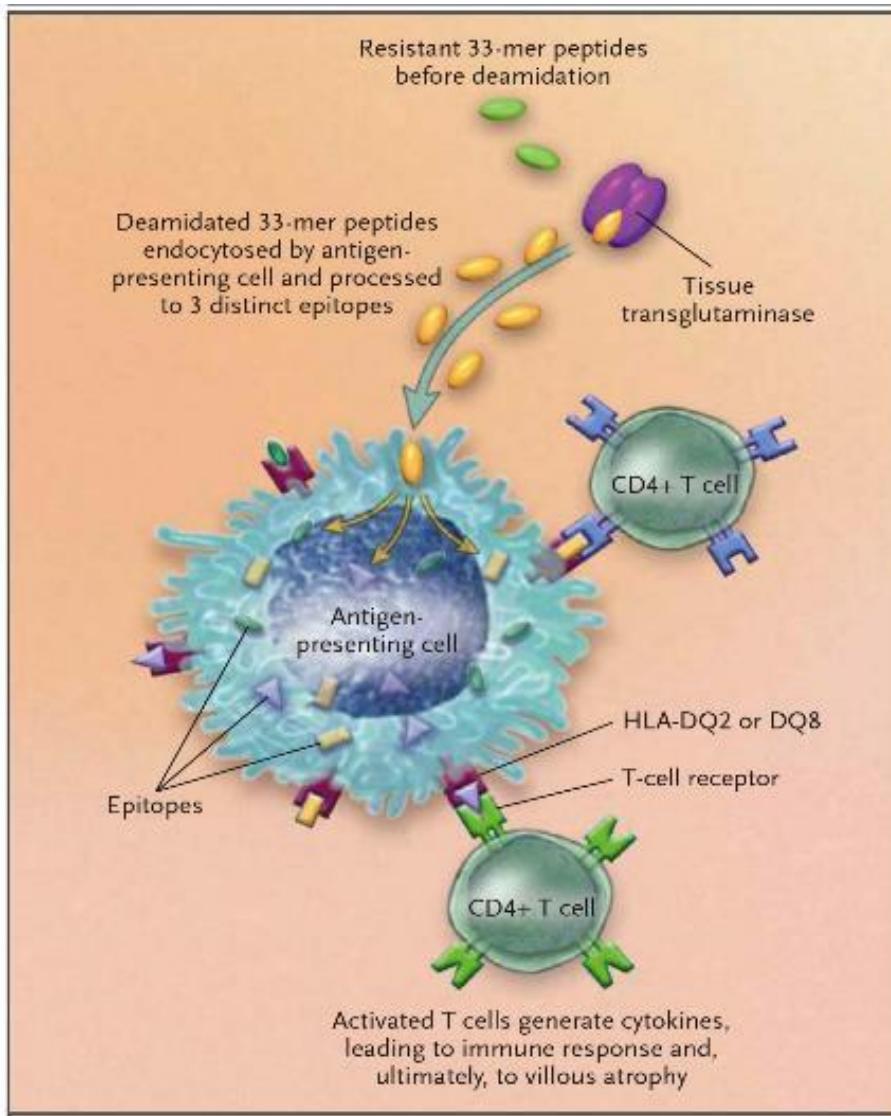
Nel frumento le proteine ricche in prolina sono le *gliadine*, nell'orzo le *ordeine*, nella segale le *secaline*



PATOGENESI della malattia celiaca



**Fattori genetici nella celiachia:
i peptidi deamidati del glutine si legano preferenzialmente alla tasca del peptide delle molecole HLA-DQ2 e HLA-DQ8**

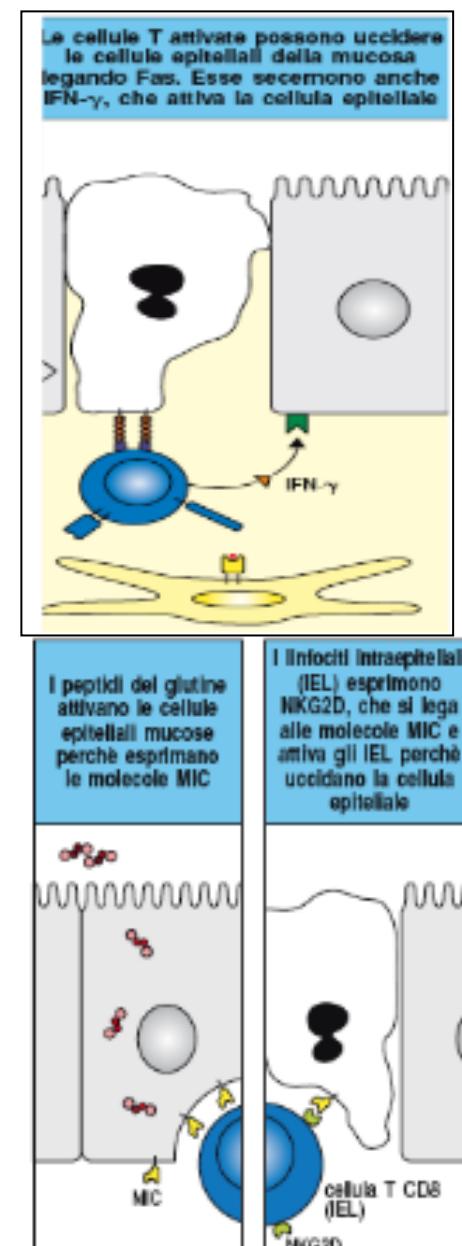


I geni HLA contribuiscono alla predisposizione genetica per la celiachia:
le molecole **HLA-DQ2** sono presenti nel 95 % dei celiaci e **HLA-DQ8** nel 5%

E: acido glutammico

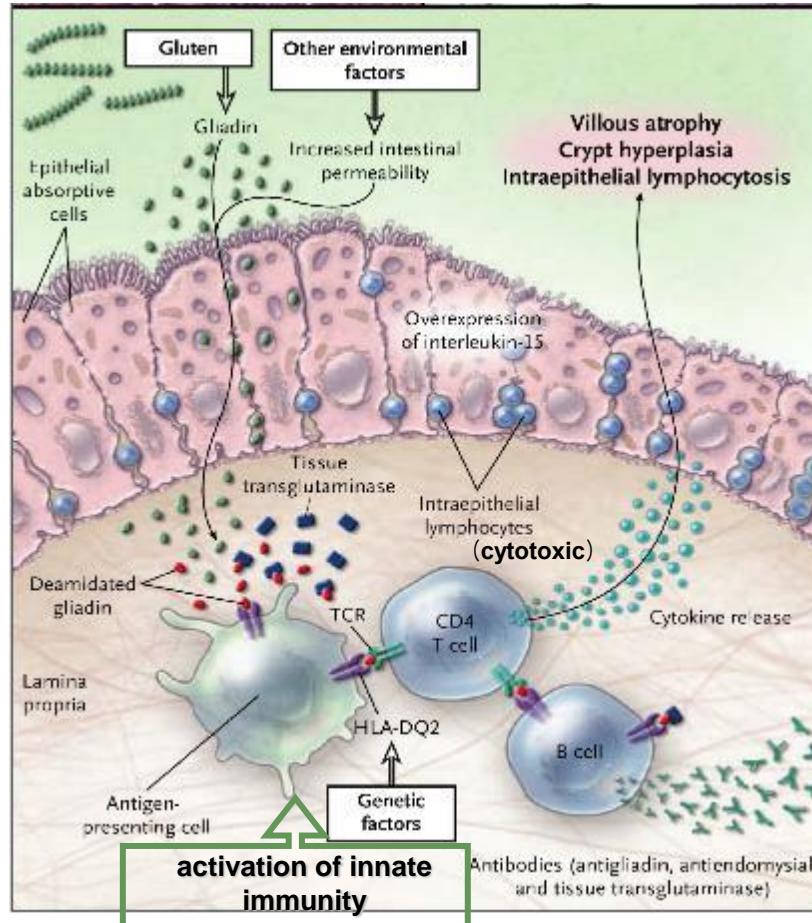
Il meccanismo immunopatogenetico della malattia celiaca

- In condizioni di aumentata permeabilità intestinale, la **gliadina** ingerita passa attraverso le giunzioni strette e giunge nella sottomucosa dove agisce l'**enzima transglutaminasi (tTG)** che deamida la gliadina.
- In soggetti geneticamente predisposti, le **APC** espongono i peptidi della gliadina con molecole **HLA-DQ2 e DQ8** e attivano linfociti CD4 specifici.
- I **linfociti CD4** si attivano ed esprimono **Fas ligando (FasL)** e sono in grado di uccidere le cellule epiteliali intestinali che esprimono il Fas.
- **IFN-gamma e il peptide del glutine** attivano le **cellule epiteliali** che esprimono molecole **MIC**. Le molecole MIC sono riconosciute dal recettore **NKG2D**, espresso da **linfociti T citotossici intraepiteliali (IELs) CD8+**, che uccidono le cellule epiteliali.



To summarize...

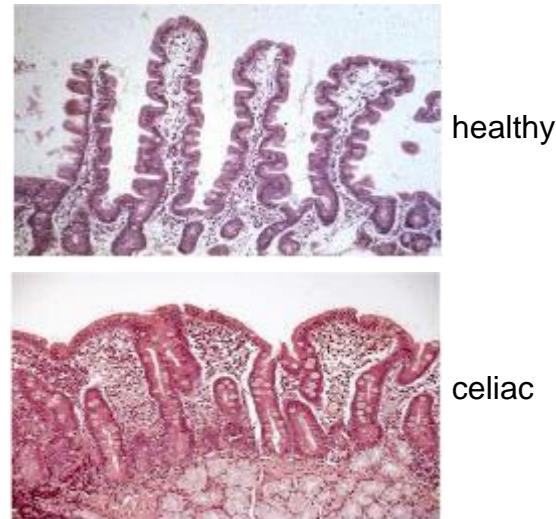
Interaction of gluten with environmental, immune, and genetic factors in Celiac Disease



The celiac mucosa is characterized by:

- villus atrophy,
- enlarged hyperplastic cripts,
- increased infiltration of CD4+ and CD8+ T cells in the lamina propria and epithelium

Damage of epithelial cells is mainly attributable to proinflammatory cytokines (**IFN γ**) and CTL

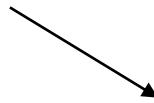
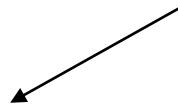


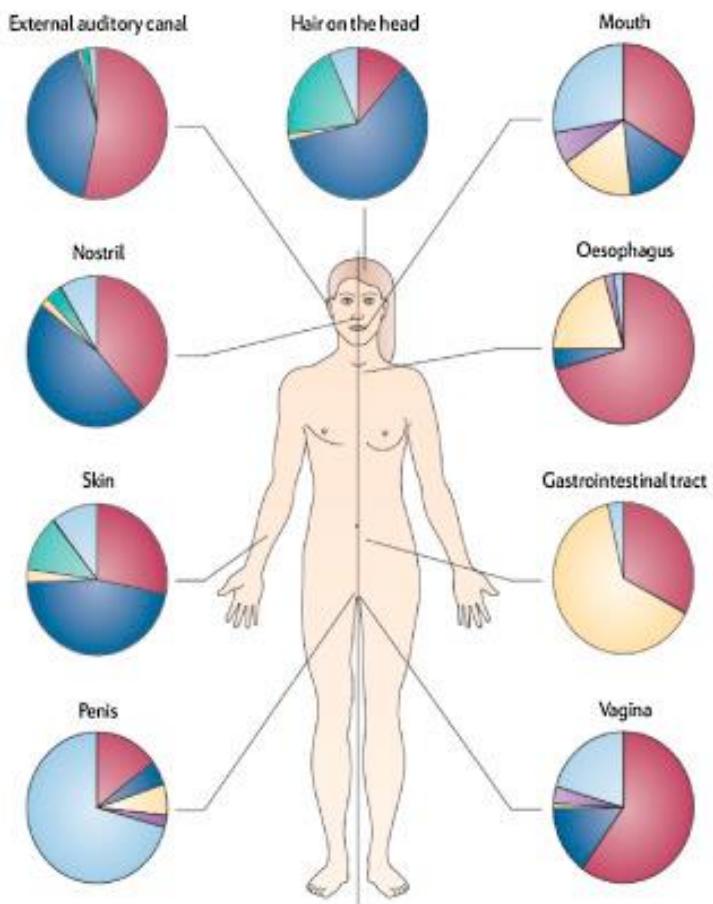
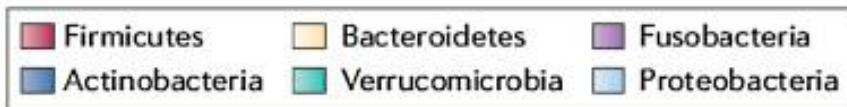
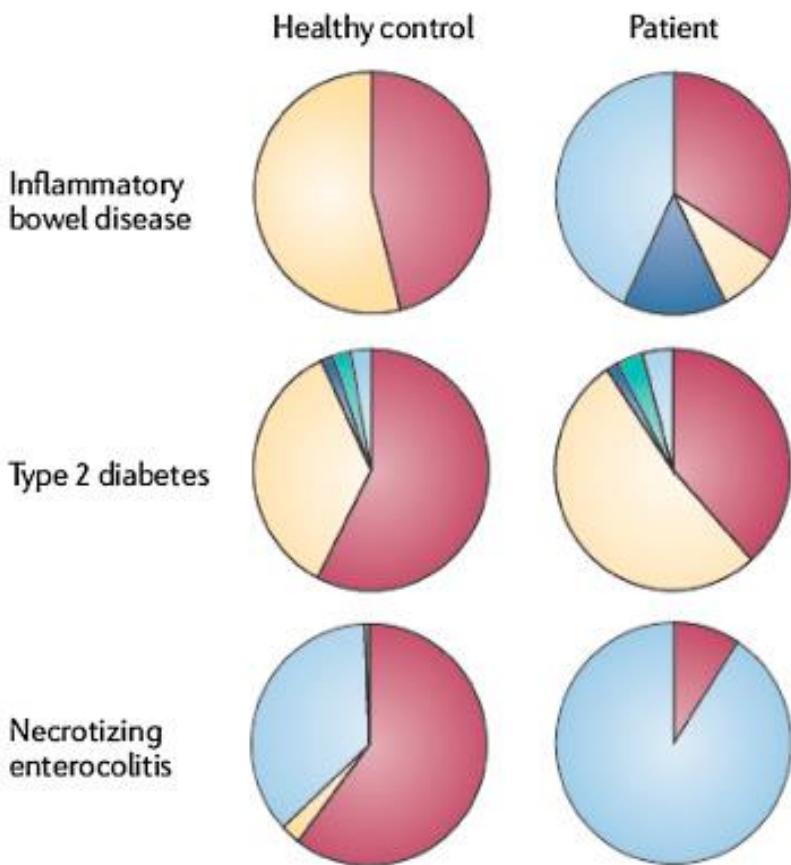
Le malattie infiammatorie croniche intestinali

(IBD, Inflammatory Bowel Diseases)

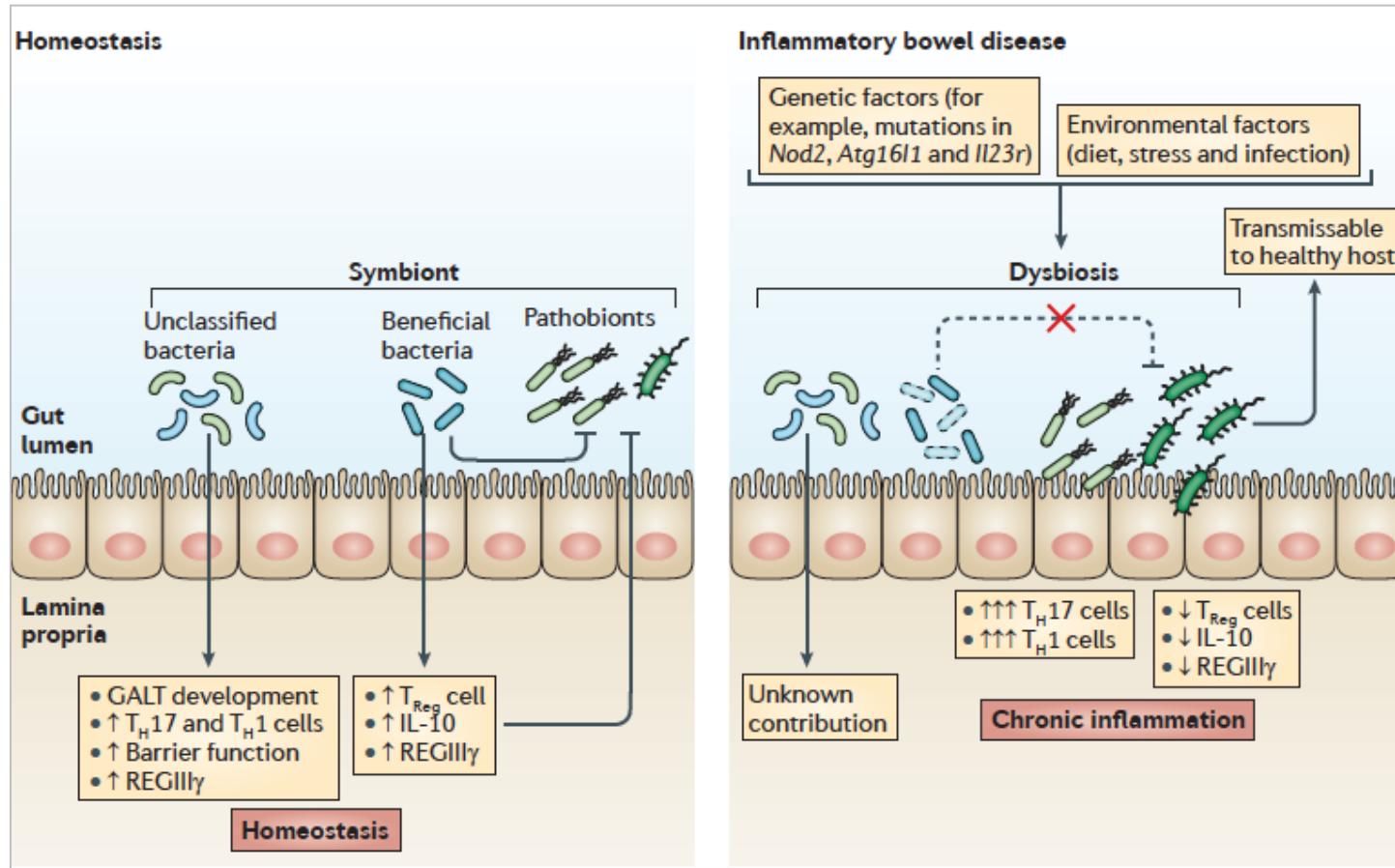
Malattia di Crohn

Rettocolite ulcerosa

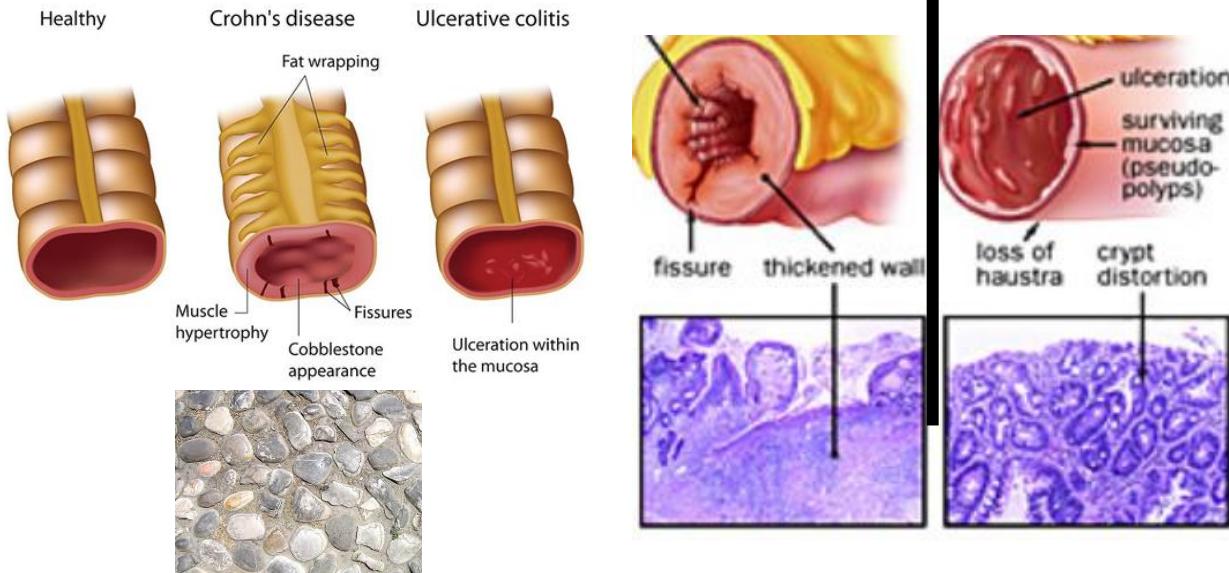
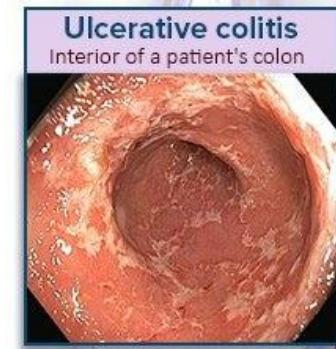
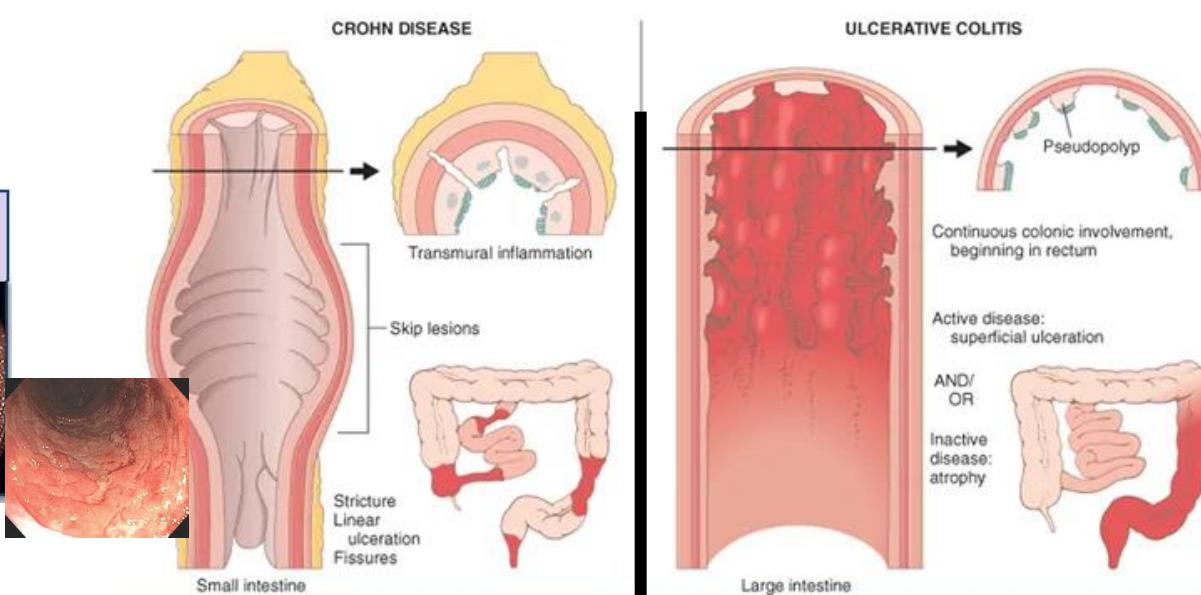
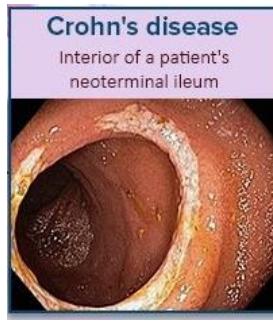


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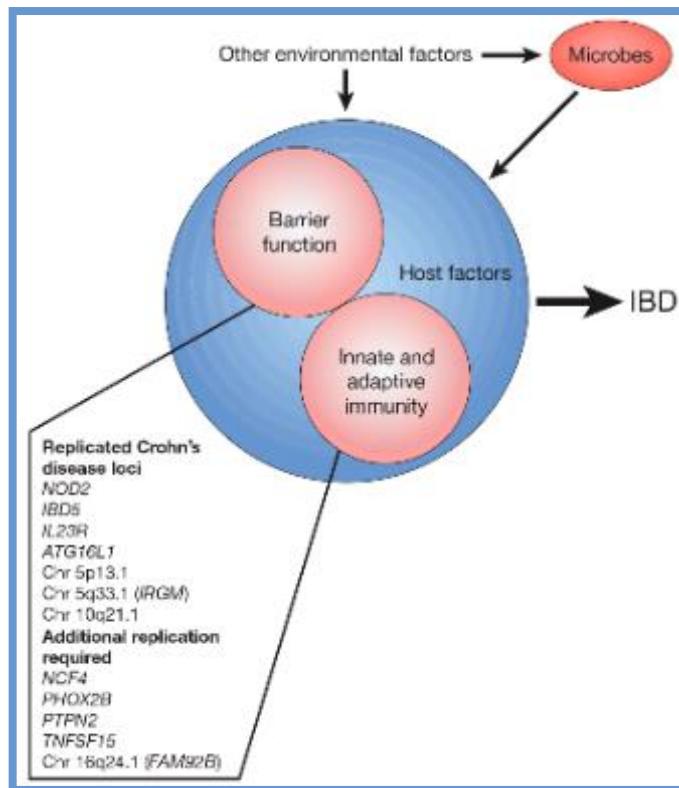
Protective and pathogenic role of the gut microbiota in inflammatory bowel diseases



Inflammatory Bowel Diseases (IBD):



Inflammatory Bowel Diseases (IBD): a dysregulated immune response against commensal bacteria, in genetically predisposed individuals



Possible etiologies for IBD:

- Impairment of mucosal barrier function
- Defective innate immune control of mucosal microorganisms
- Mucosal dysbiosis or specific microbial pathogens
- Defective mucosal immunoregulation

Microbiota-dependent regulation of cancer development, progression and treatment

