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Simultaneously boosting both humoral and cellular immunity following vaccination

Project Number
5R01AG047156-06

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Description

Abstract Text

DESCRIPTION (provided by applicant): In this application, we hypothesize that two reciprocally regulated transcriptional factors, Sox4 and IRF4, play a central role in determining the quantity and quality of both murine and human cytotoxic T lymphocyte (CTL) responses. In addition, we will test the hypothesis that the dysregulated balance between IRF4 and Sox4 (i.e. diminished IRF4 and enhanced Sox4 expression) in CD4 and CD8 T cells impairs the development of Tfh and CTL responses in aged individuals, thereby leading to the age-associated defects in both humoral and cellular immunity following influenza vaccination. The goals of this application are to dissect the molecular mechanisms by which effective anti-viral CTL responses are induced during influenza infection, and to use immunological and pharmacological tools to simultaneously boost cellular and humoral immunity to increase influenza vaccine efficacy in aged individuals. Two specific Aims are proposed. Aim1: To elucidate the mechanisms by which the Sox4-IRF4 circuit controls the quantity and quality of anti-viral CTL responses during influenza infection. Aim 2: To define the T cell intrinsic role of PGE2/TGF- β dependent Sox4-IRF4 regulation in age-associated defects in humoral and cellular immunity following influenza vaccination. Relevance statement Seasonal influenza kills ~500,000 people globally and up to 50,000 people in the United States each year, most of deaths occur in the elderly. CD8 CTLs are required for efficient clearance of influenza virus infection and the levels of pre-existing CD8 CTLs in humans tightly correlate with the protection against symptomatic **pandemic** influenza. Thus, understanding the transcriptional programs regulating the efficient development of CTL responses during influenza infection and immunization has the potential for designing future influenza therapeutics and for improving influenza vaccine design. In addition, a major problem in influenza prevention is that elderly adults respond poorly to current influenza vaccines. As a result, even in a population with a high rate of influenza vaccination, influenza infection causes 10- to 30- times more hospitalizations in the elderly annually compared to younger individuals. Therefore, the successful completion of this application will shed light on the molecular basis underlying the age-associated defects in both humoral and cellular immunity following influenza vaccination. Furthermore, we expect that this application will establish principles that could be utilized in the future to improve the effacy of influenza and other pathogen vaccines in aged individuals.

Public Health Relevance Statement

PUBLIC HEALTH RELEVANCE: Influenza virus is the leading cause of upper and lower respiratory infection, and constitutes an ongoing threat to global health. The goals of this application are to dissect the molecular mechanisms by which effective anti-viral CTL responses are induced during influenza infection, and to use immunological and pharmacological tools to simultaneously boost cellular and humoral immunity to increase influenza vaccine efficacy in aged individuals.

NIH Spending Category

Aging	Biodefense	Emerging Infectious Diseases	Immunization	Infectious Diseases	Influenza
Pneumonia & Influenza	Prevention	Vaccine Related			

Project Terms

Adult	Age	Antibody Affinity	Antiviral Agents	CD8-Positive T-Lymphocytes	CD8B1 gene
Cells	Cellular Immunity	Cessation of life	Cytotoxic T-Lymphocytes	Data	Defect
Development	Dinoprostone	Elderly	Environment	Equilibrium	Future
Genetic Transcription	Goals	Hospitalization	Human	Humoral Immunities	IRF4 gene
Immune response	Immunity	Immunologics	Impairment	Individual	Influenza
Influenza Therapeutic	Influenza prevention	Influenza vaccination	Light		
Lower Respiratory Tract Infection	Mediator of activation protein	Molecular	Mus	Pharmacology	
Play	Population	Prevention	Production	Publishing	Regulation
				Role	SOX4 gene
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