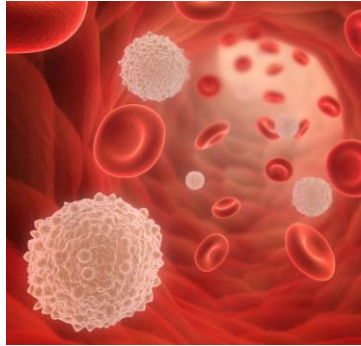


Defining T cells poised to infiltrate the brain and trigger multiple sclerosis



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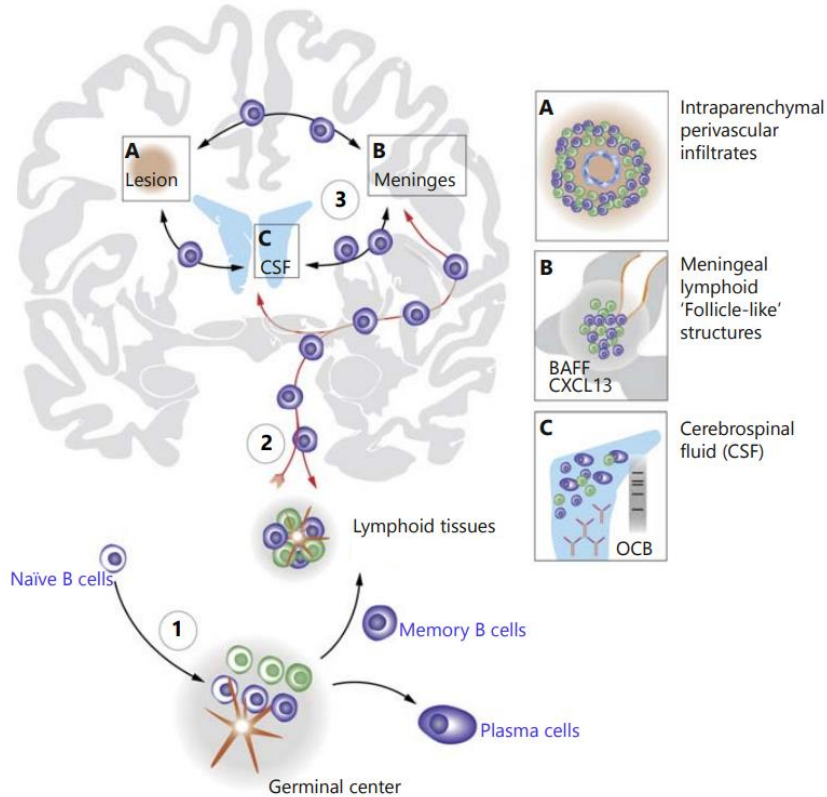


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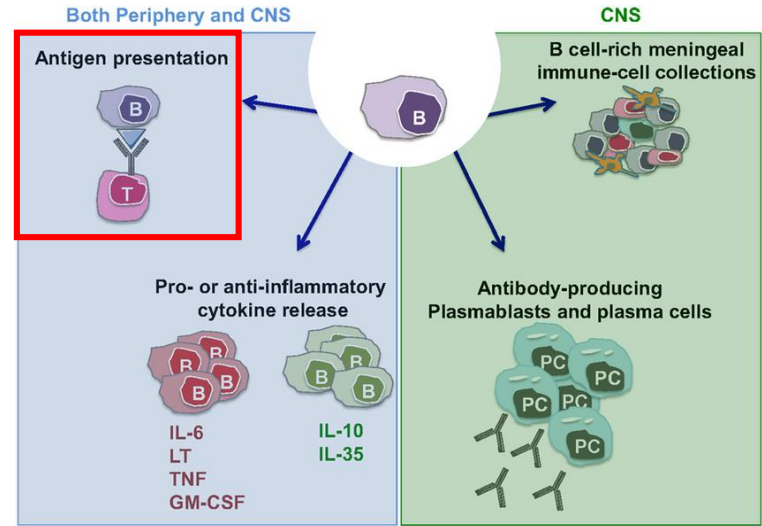
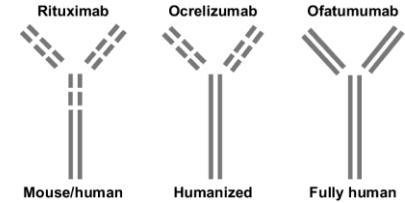
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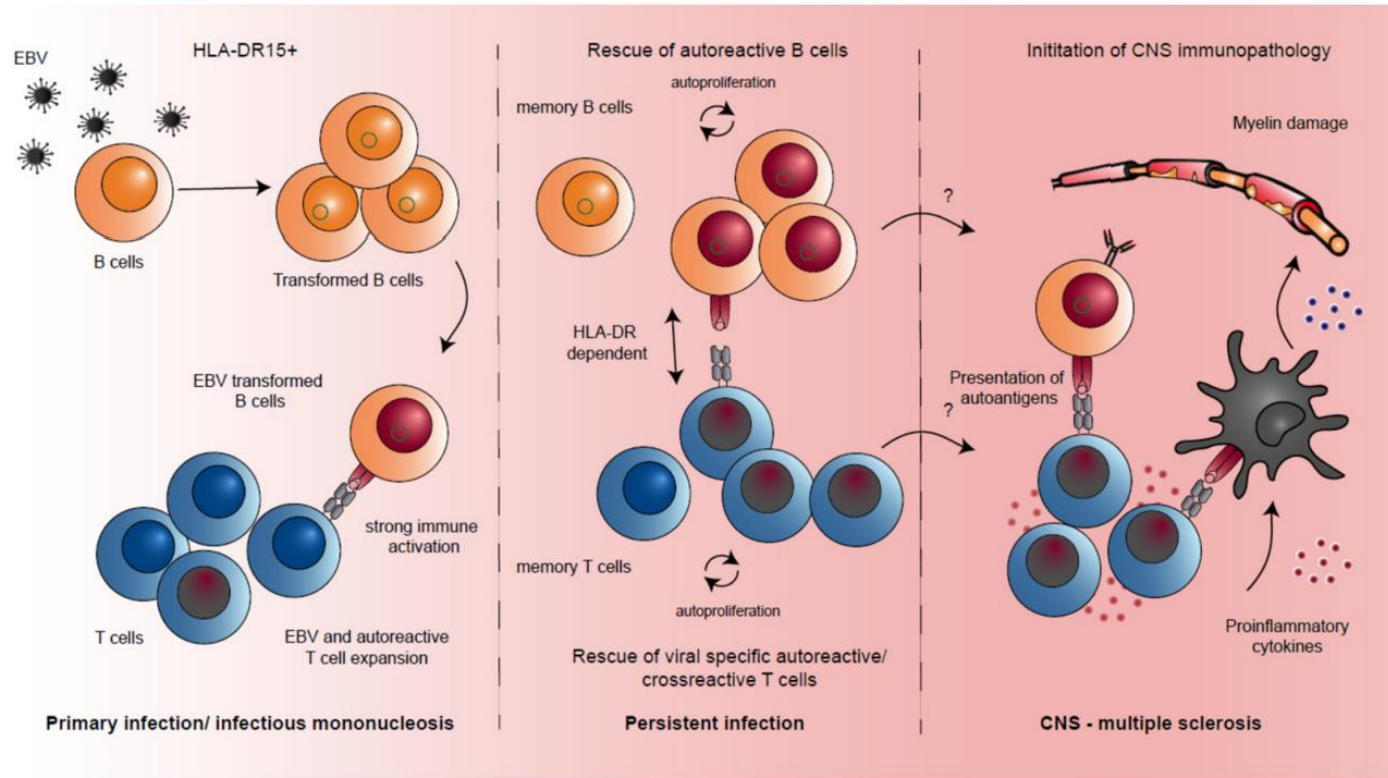
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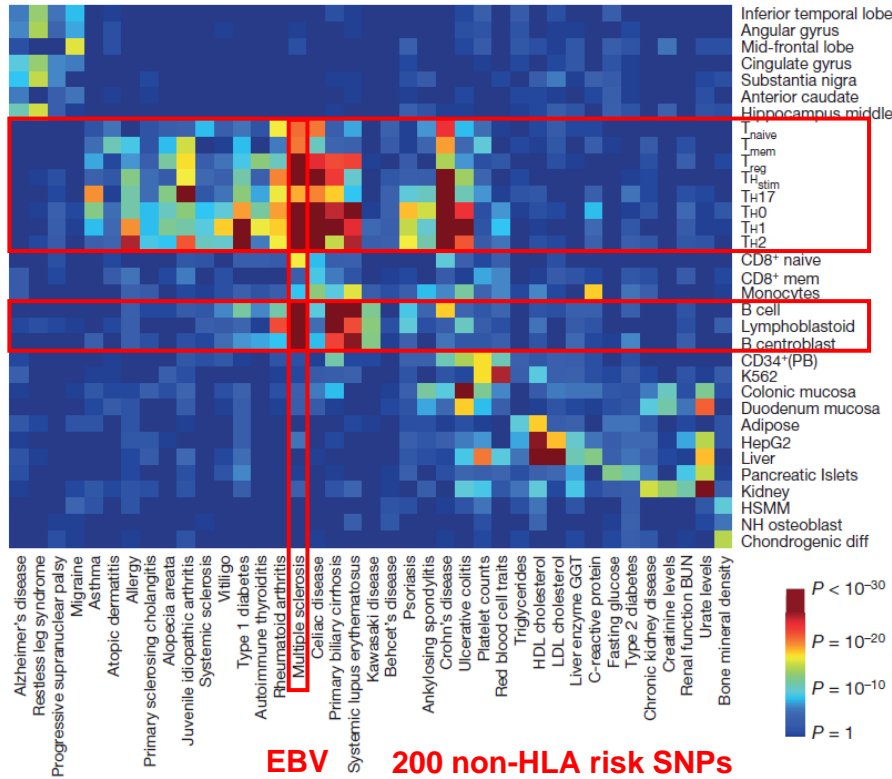
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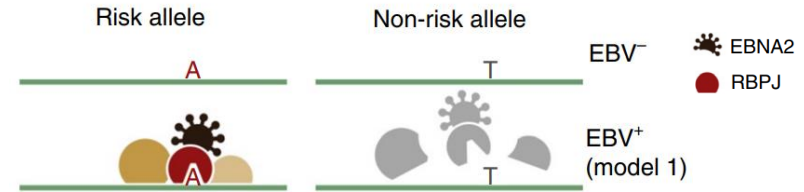
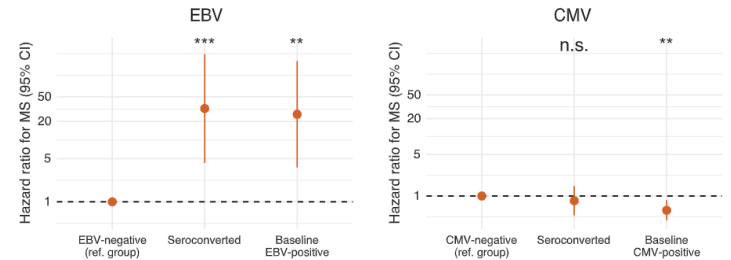
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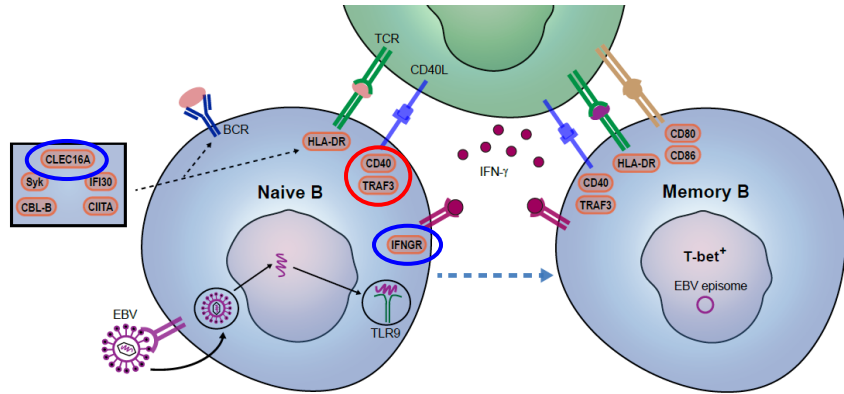
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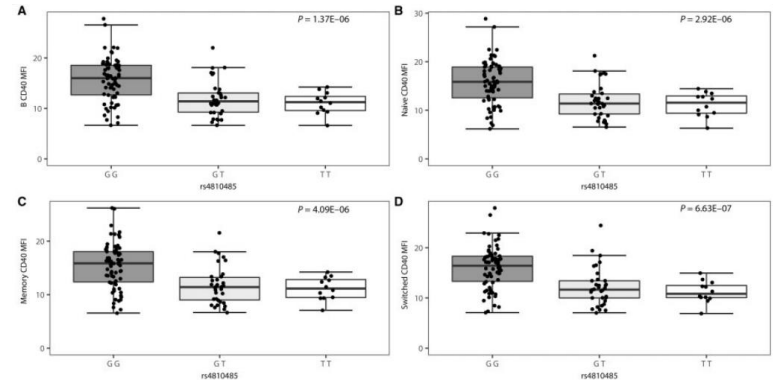
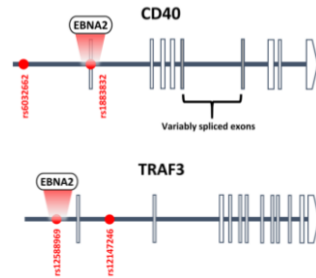
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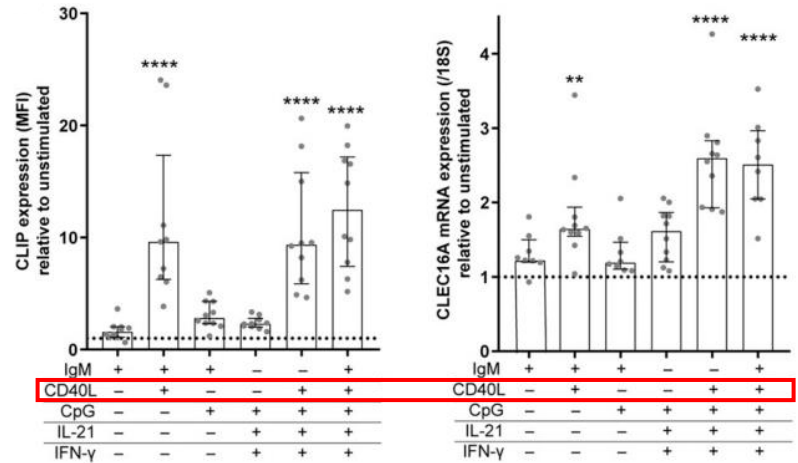
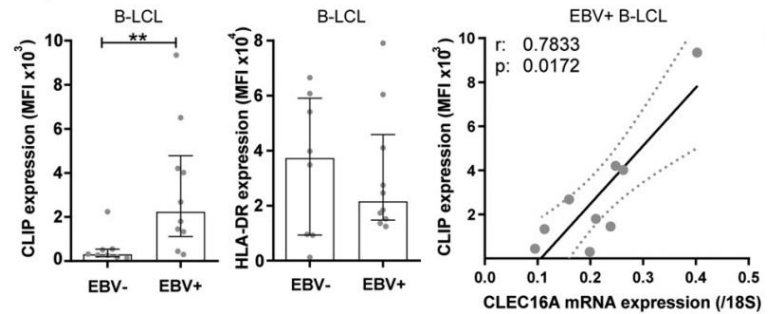
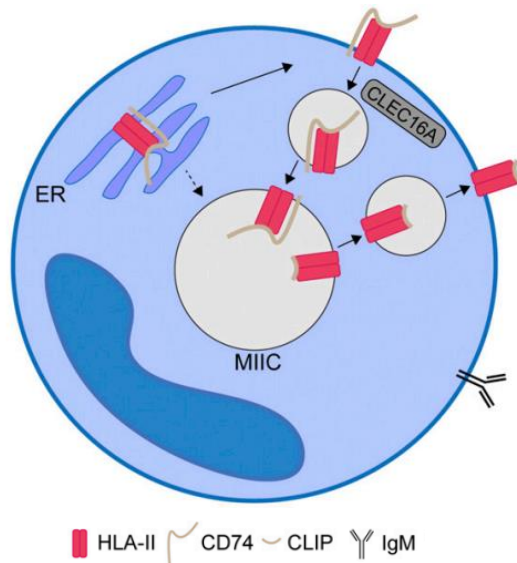
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CLEC16A is induced by CD40L to control the HLA class II pathway in B cells

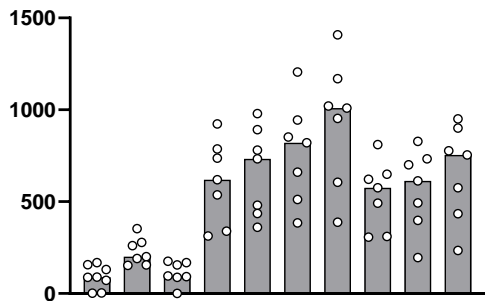
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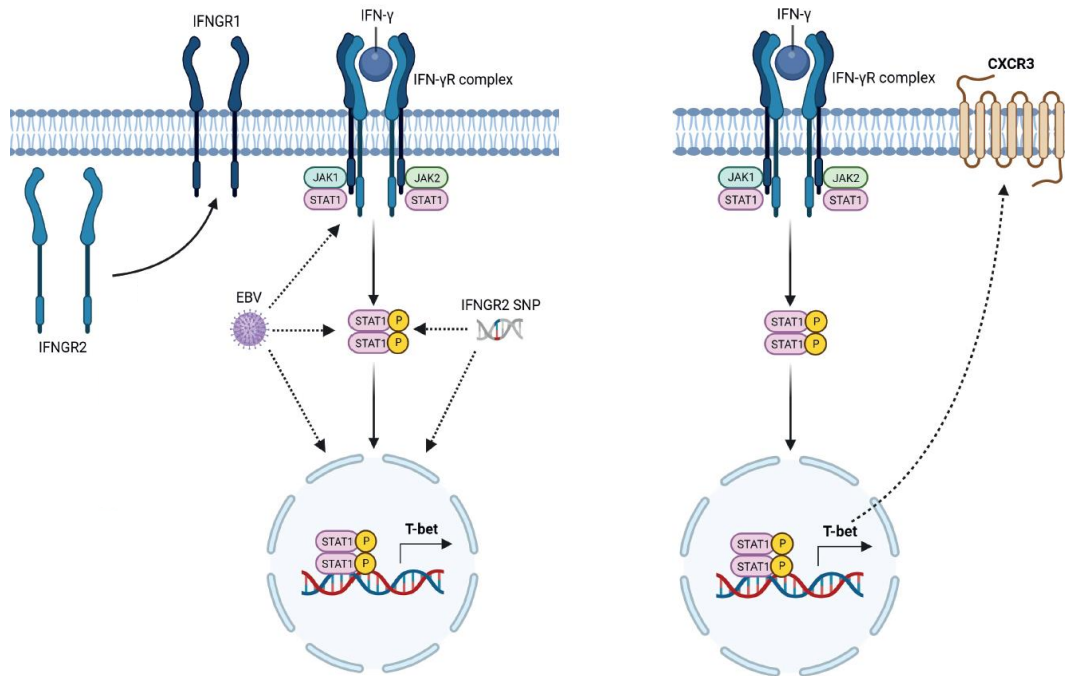


CD40L induces IFNGR2 surface expression to sensitize B cells for triggering by IFN- γ

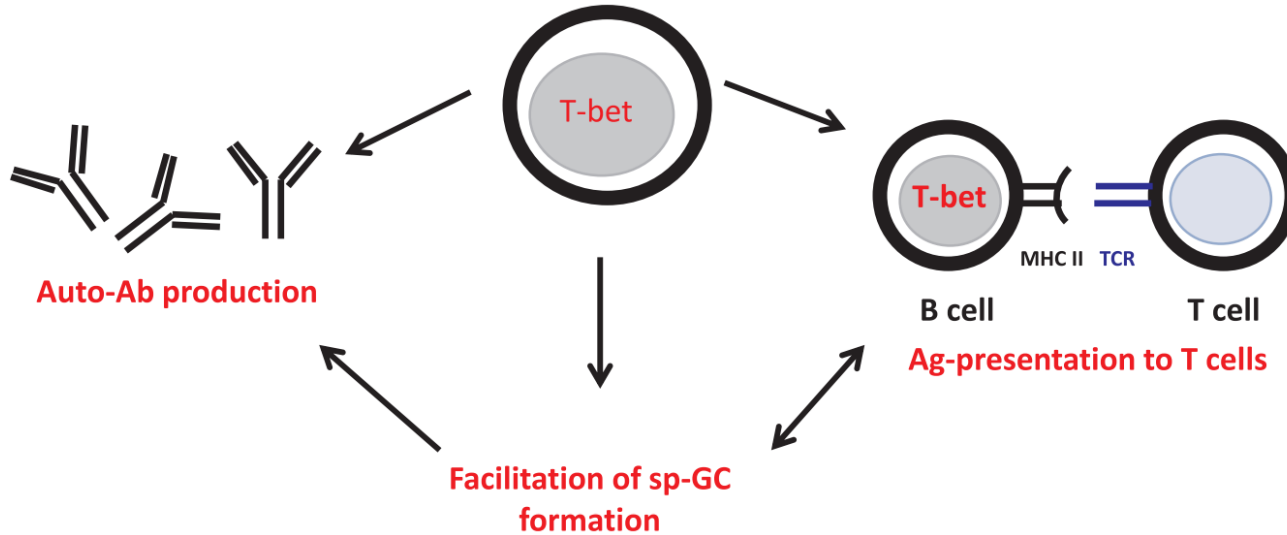
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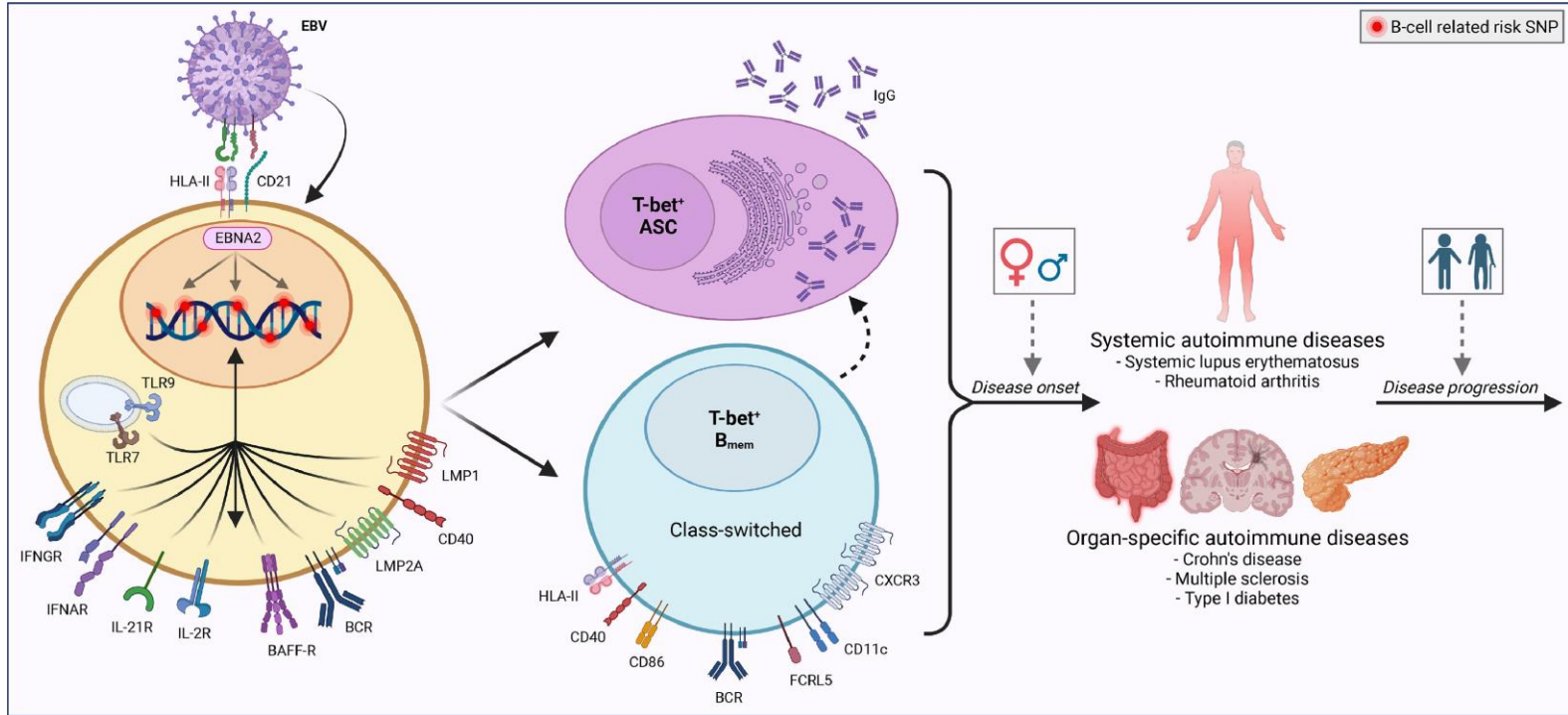
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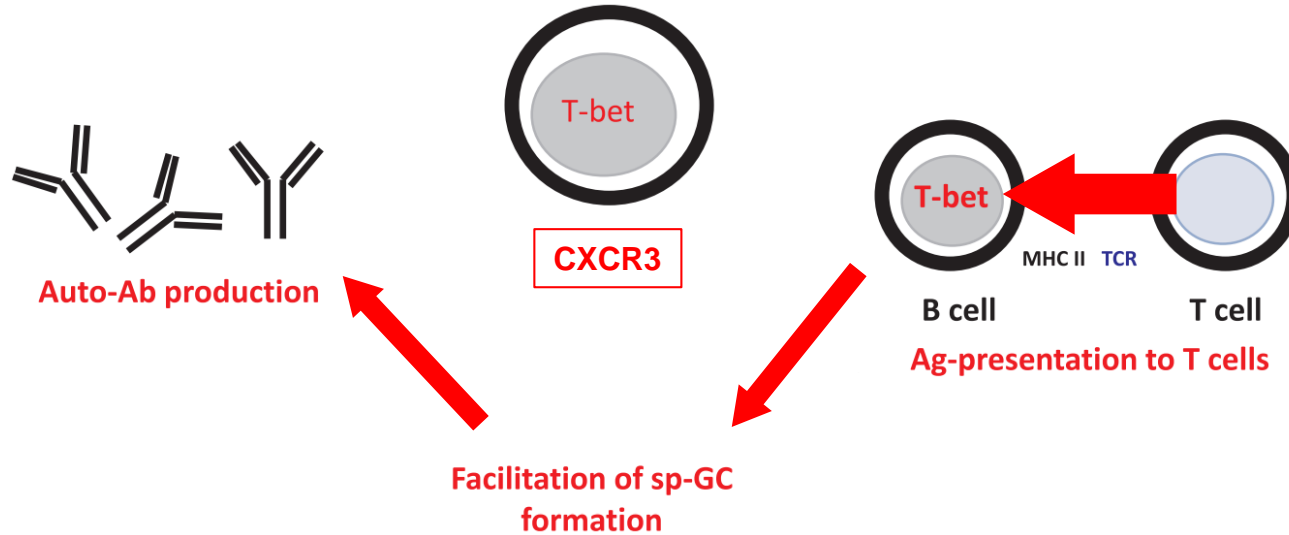
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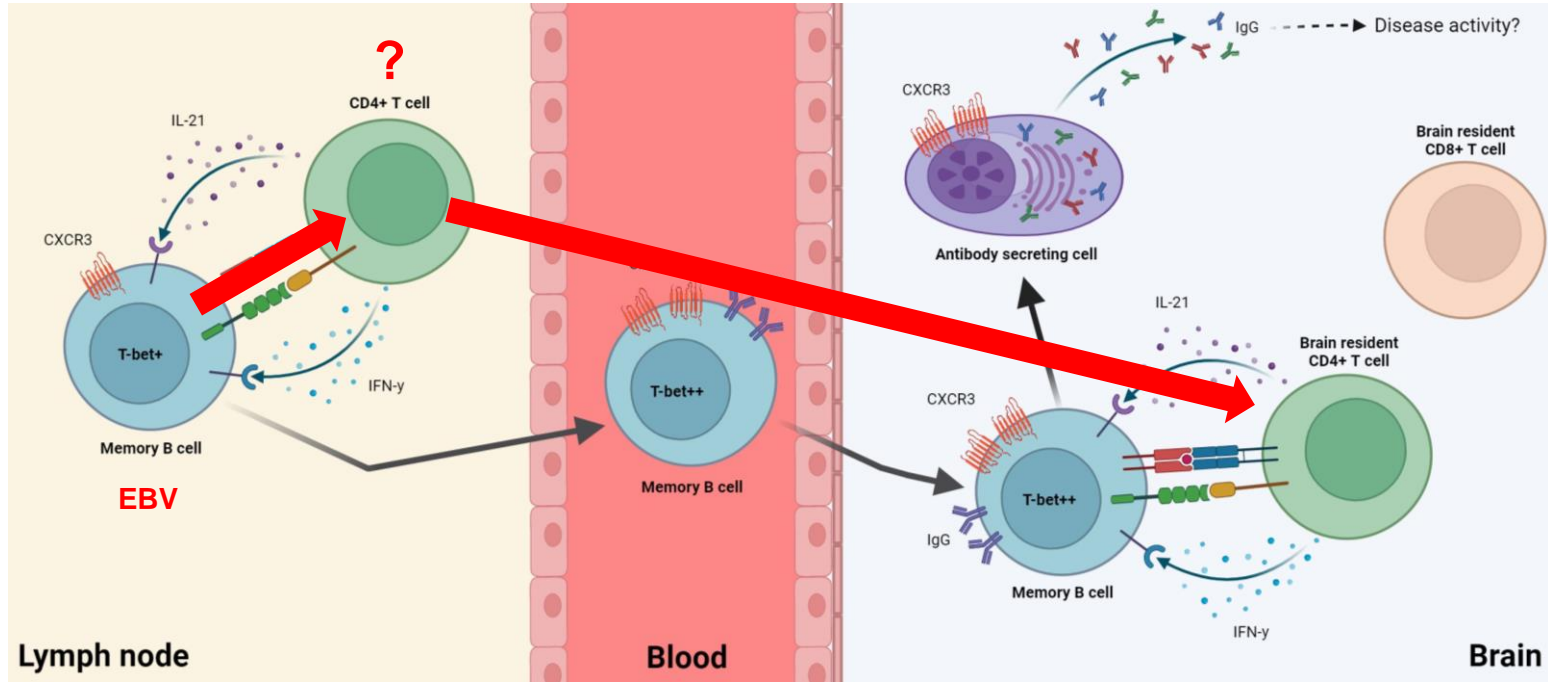
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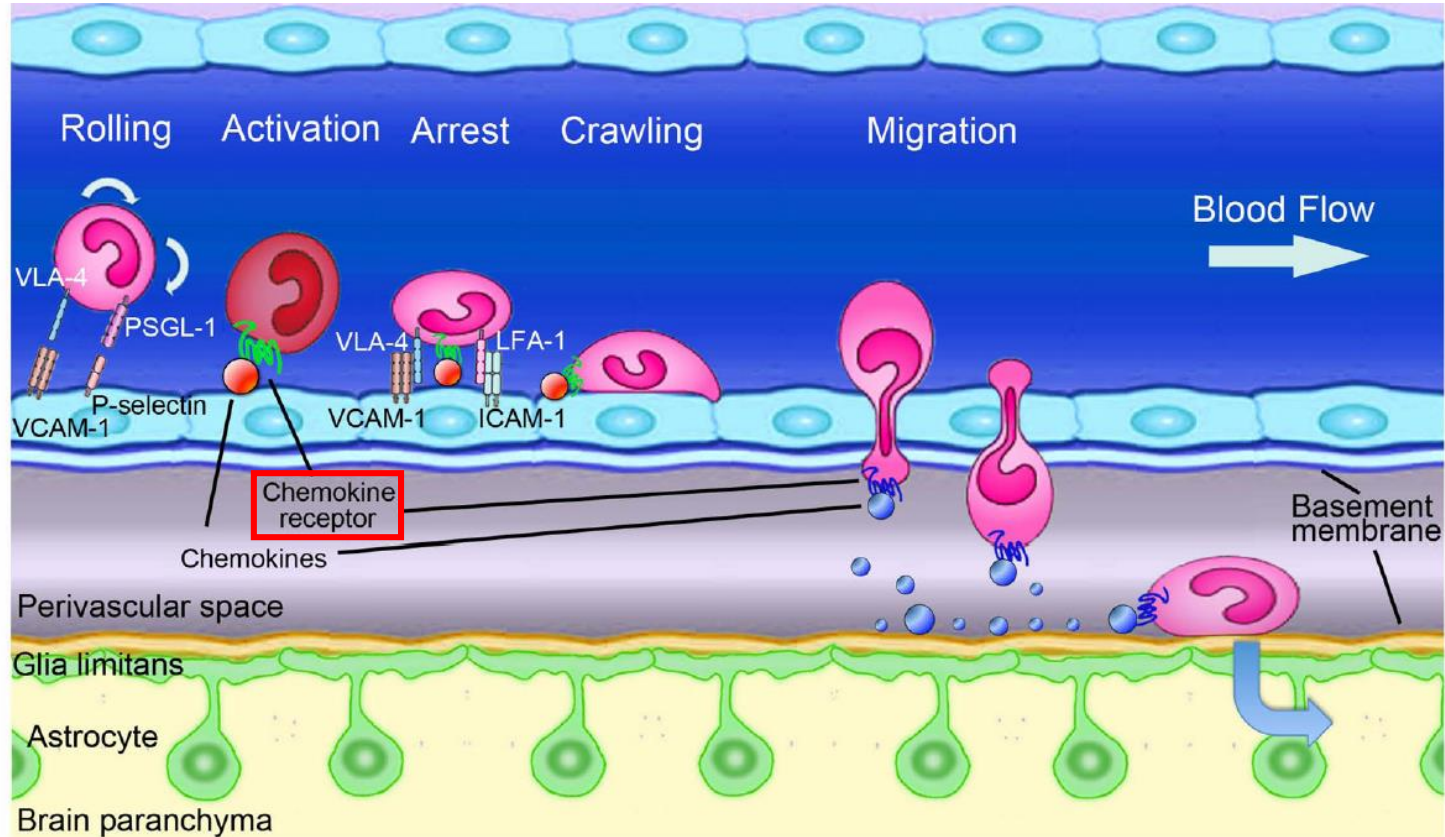
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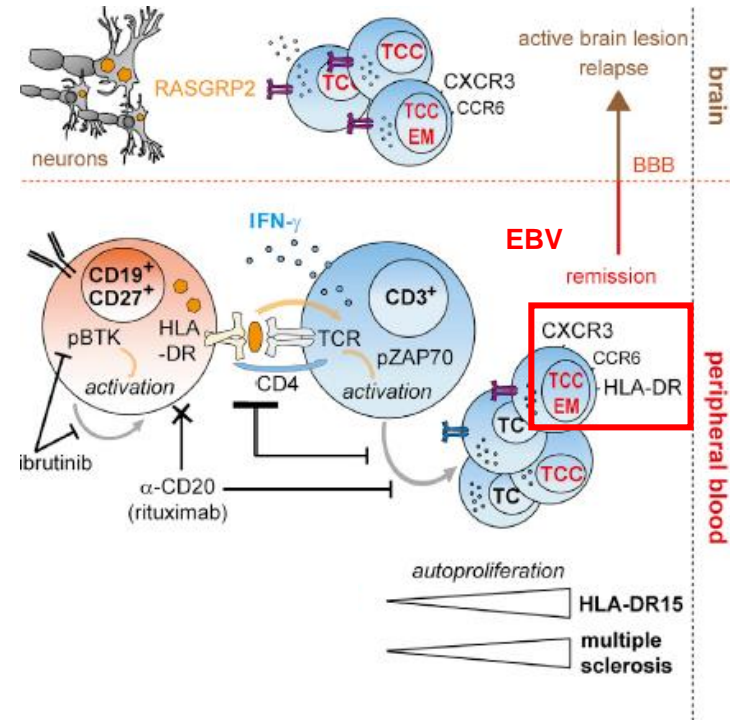
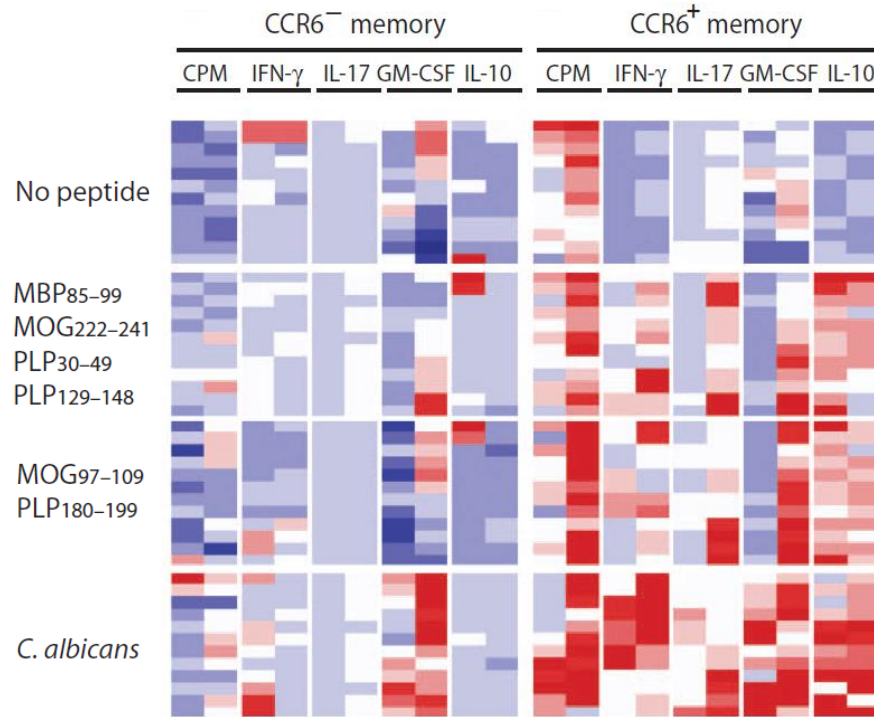
Which exact CD4+ T cells are triggered by B cells to enter the MS brain?



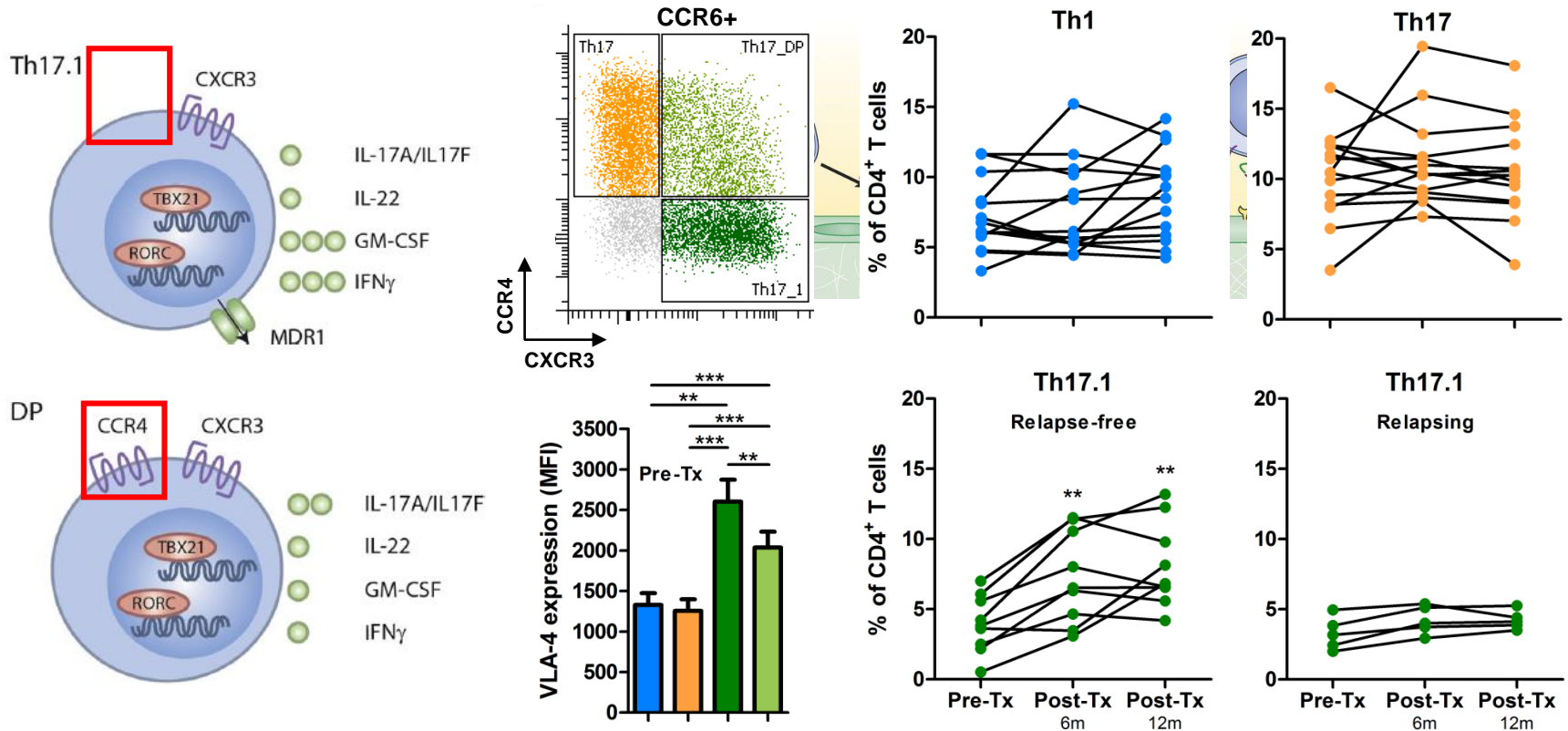
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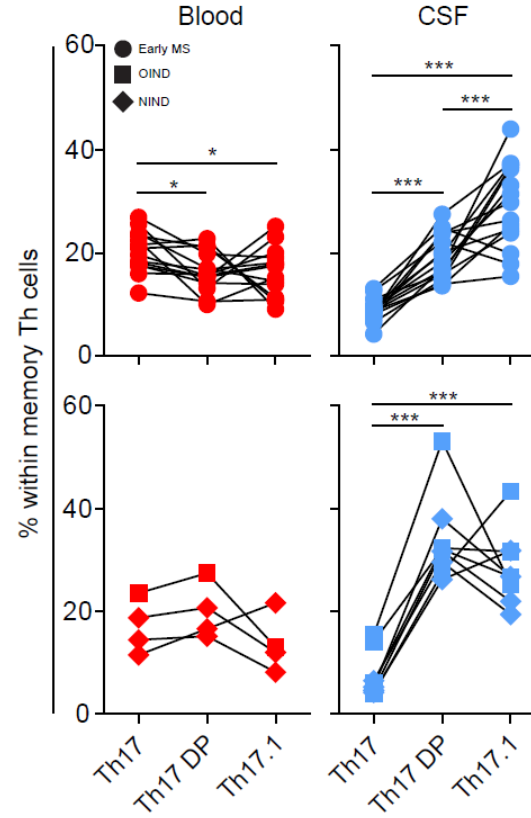
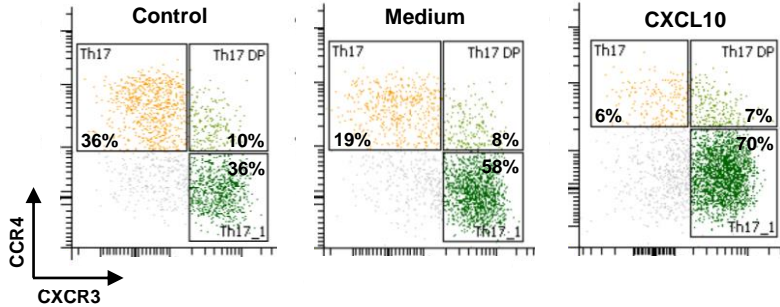
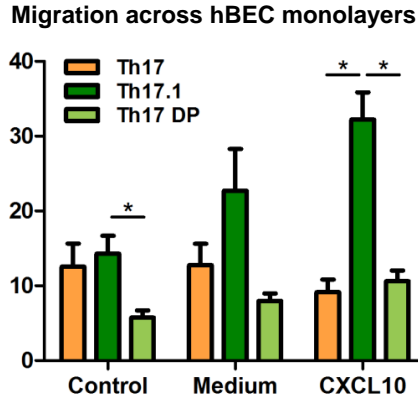
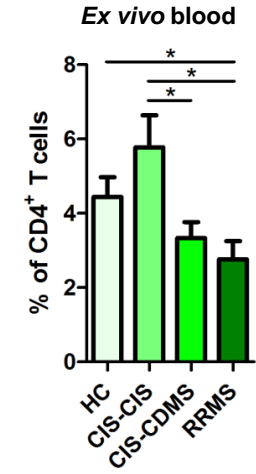
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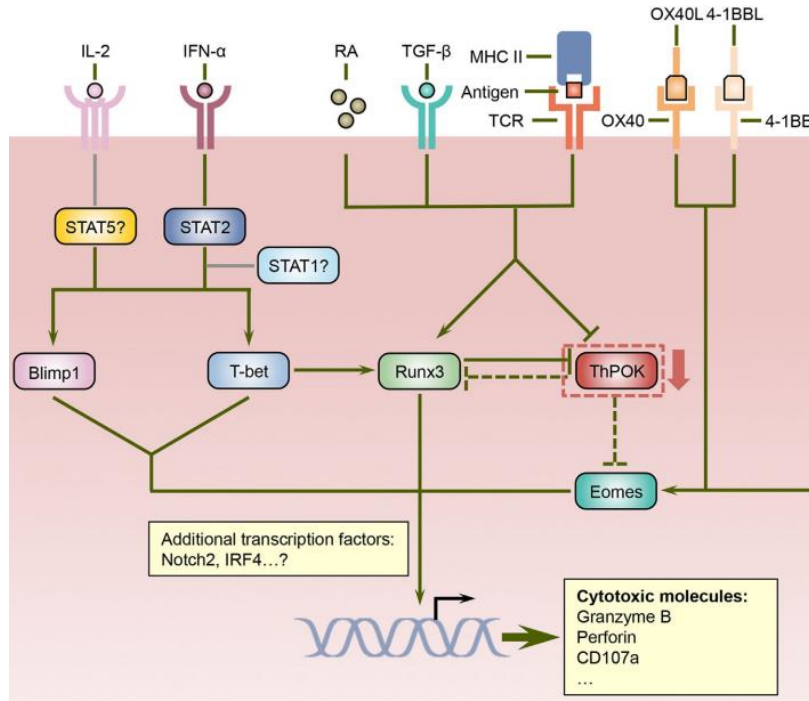
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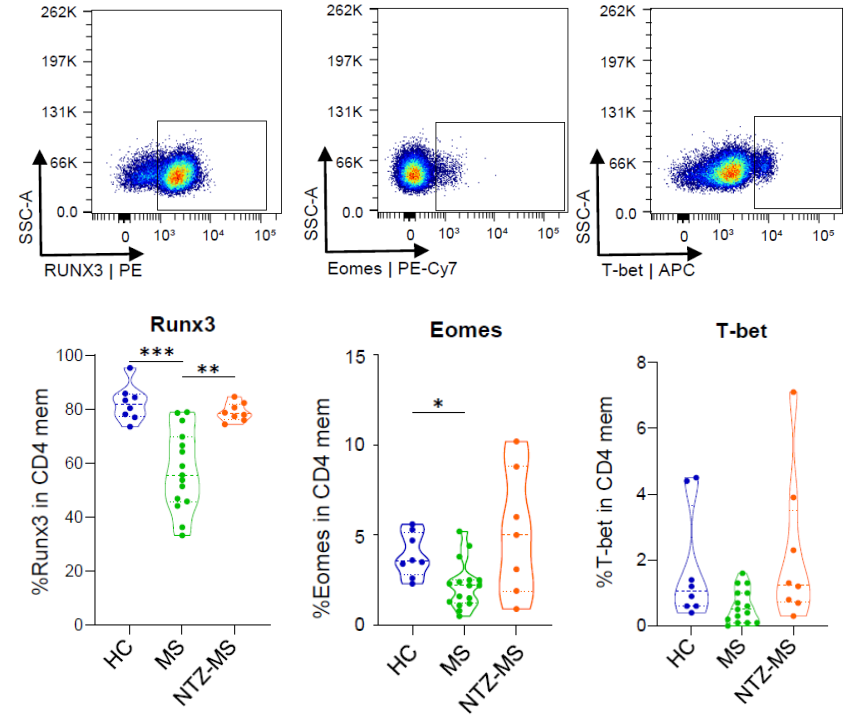
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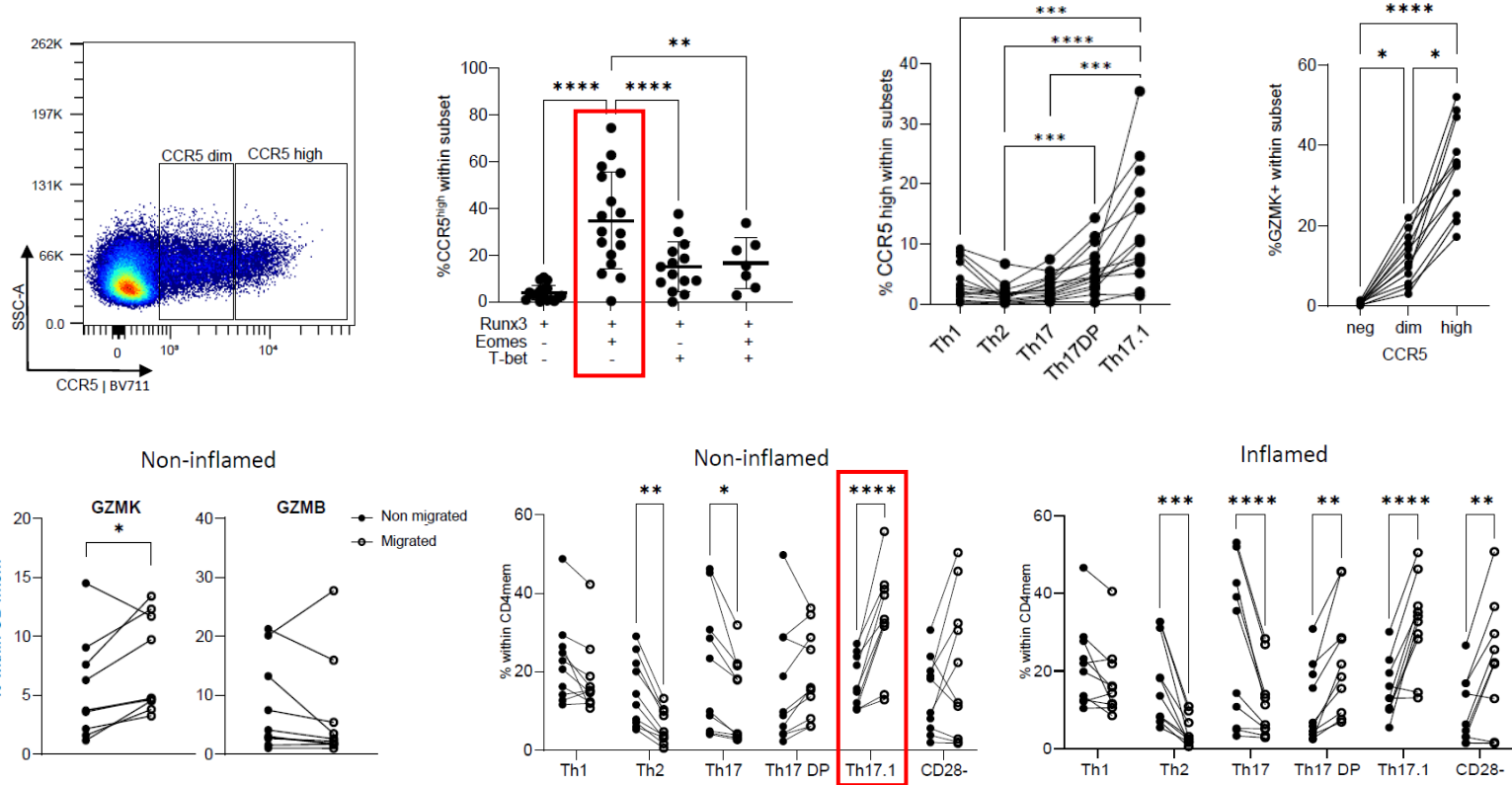
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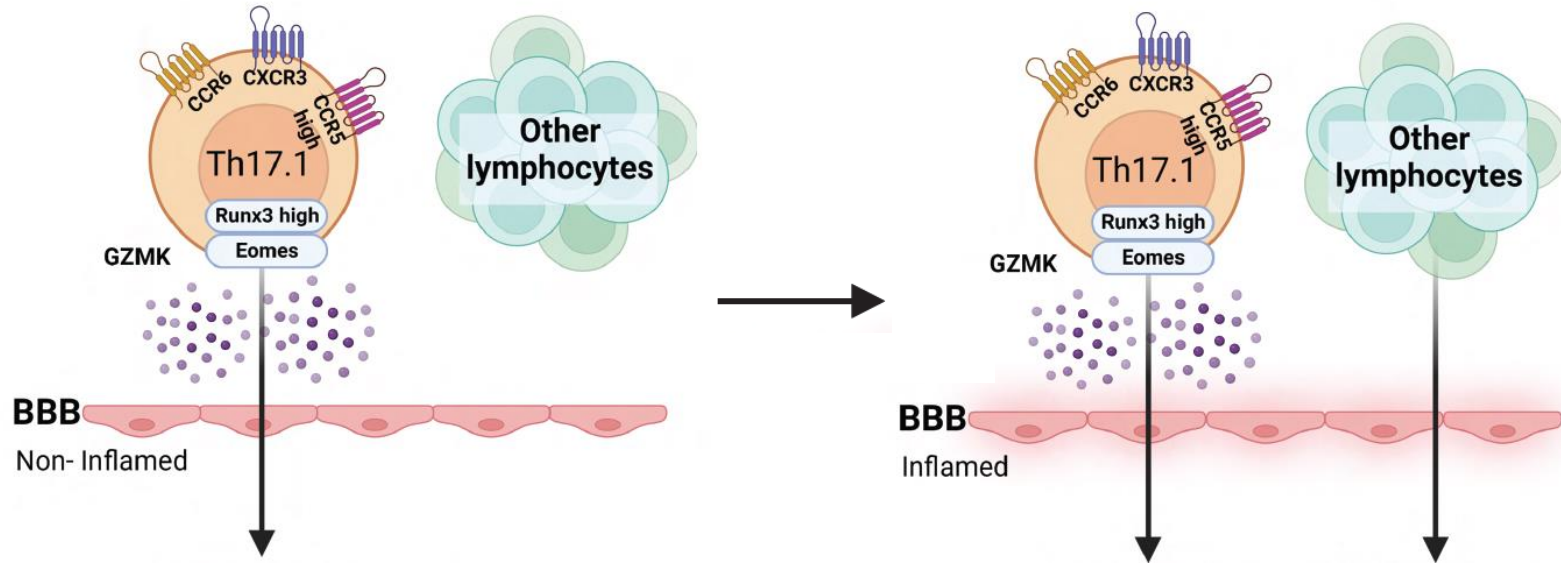
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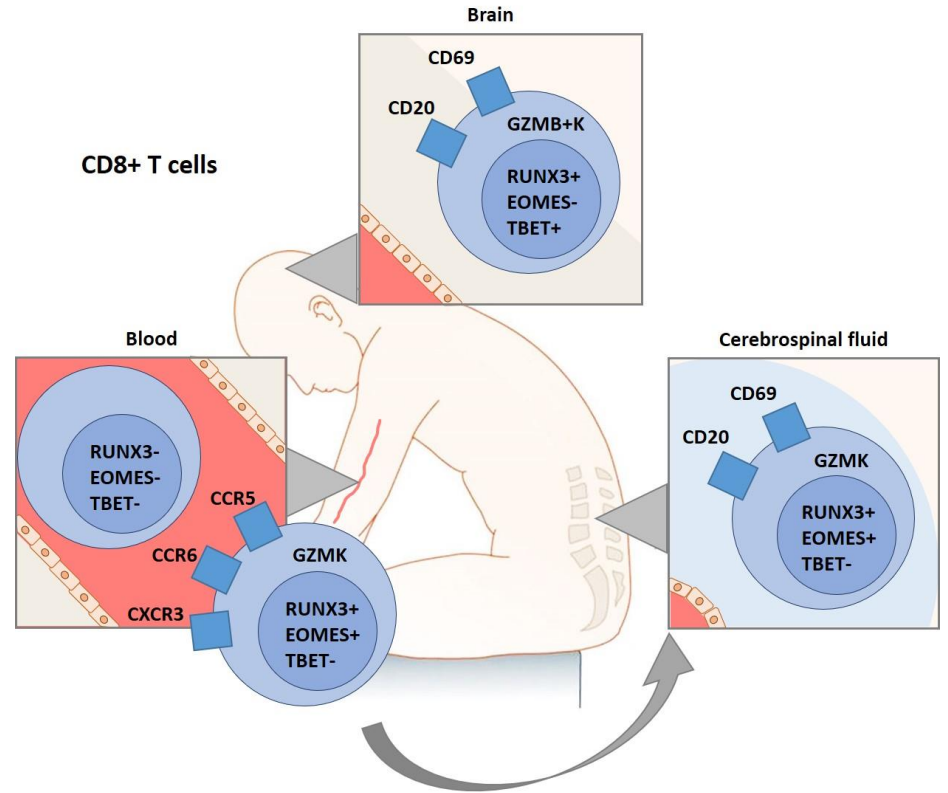
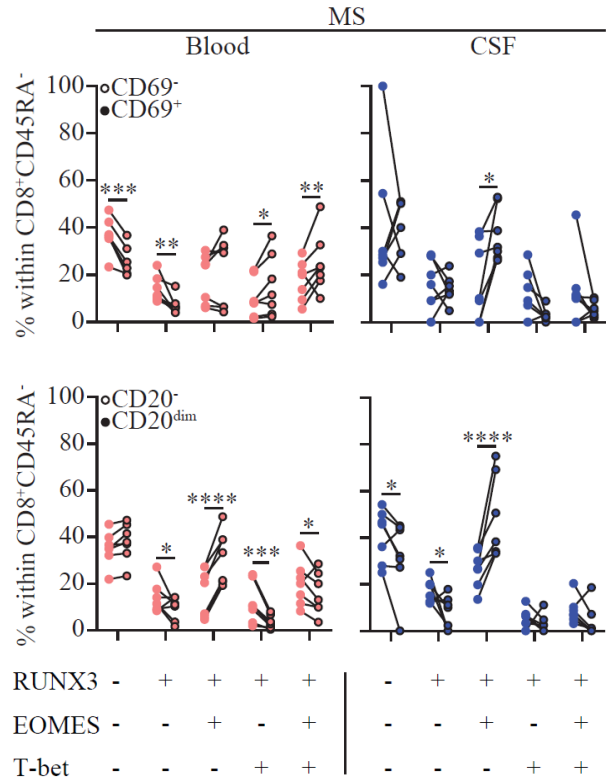
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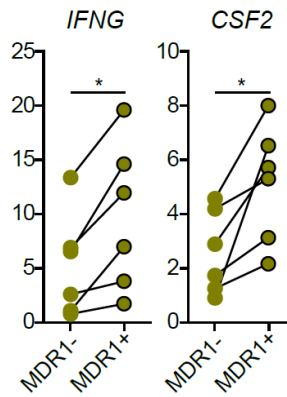
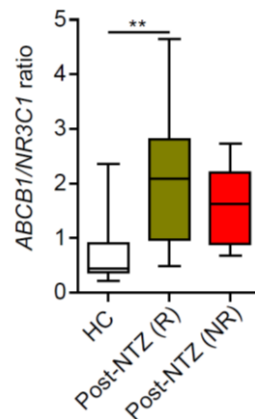
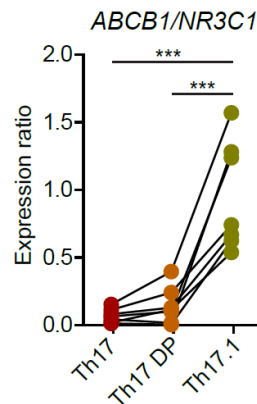
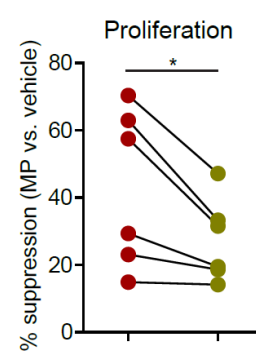
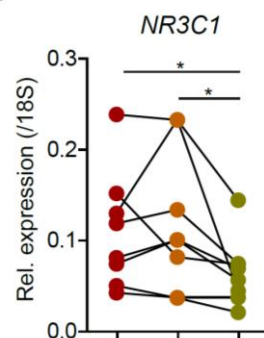
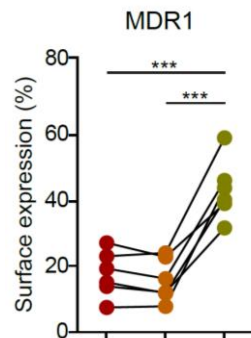
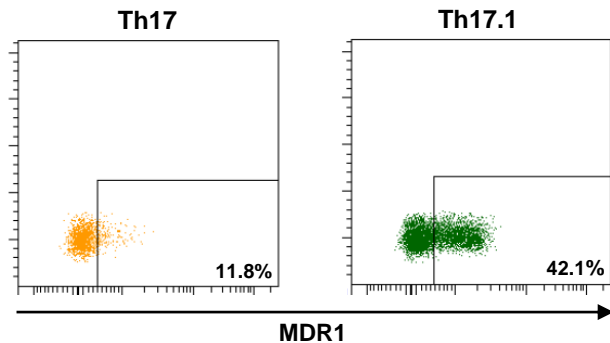
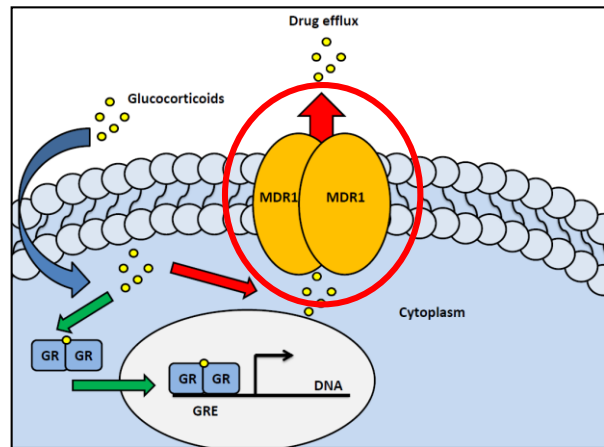
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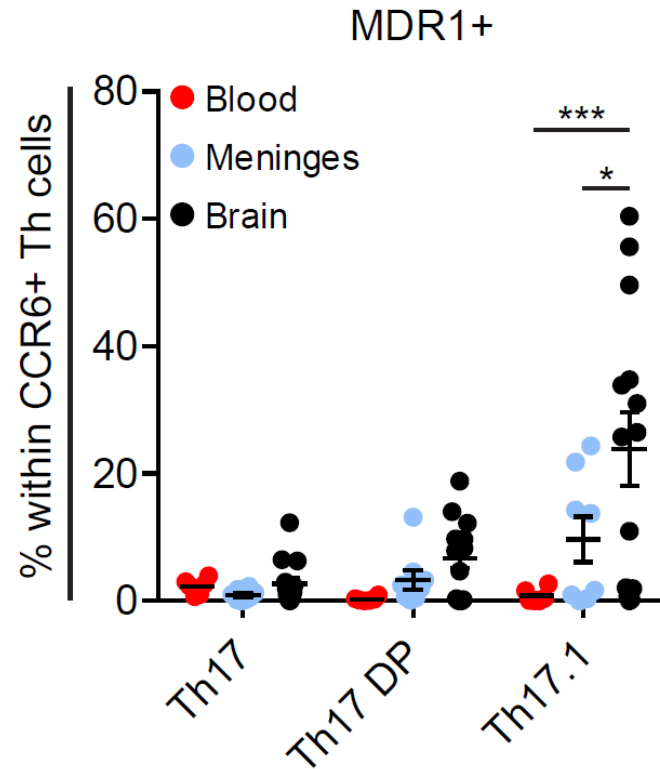
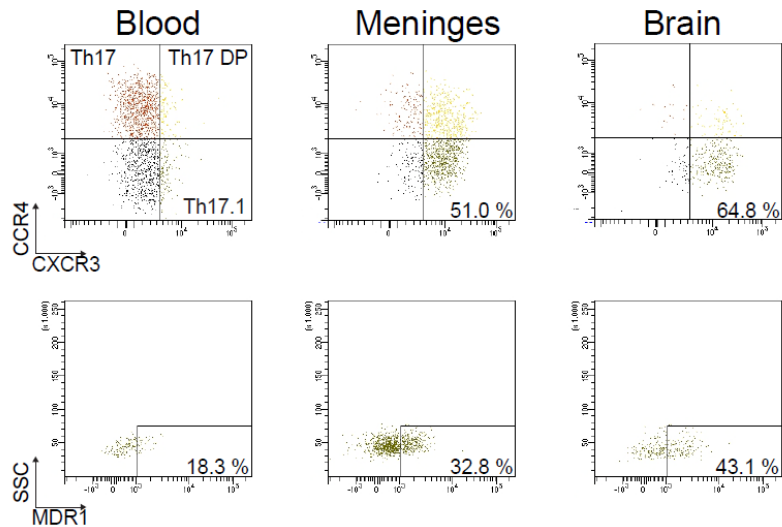
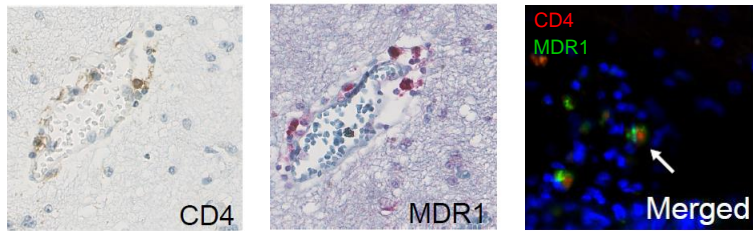
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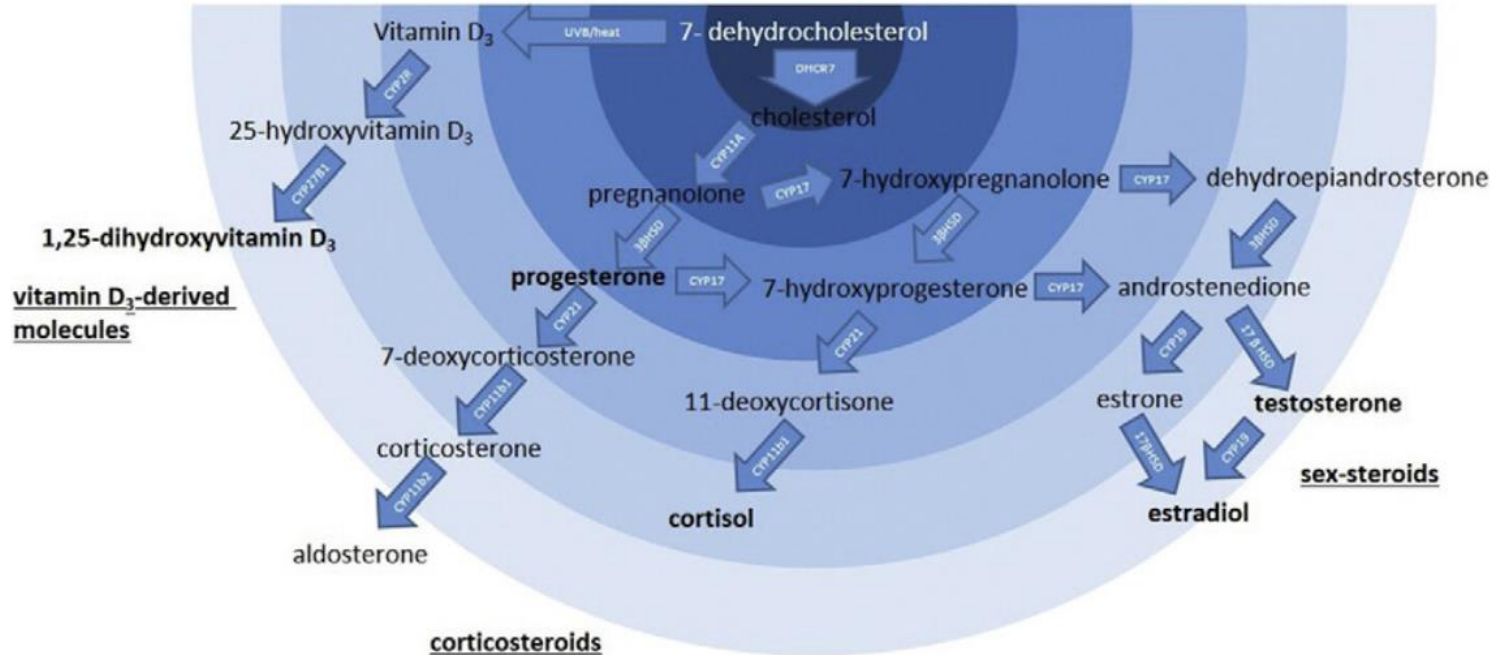
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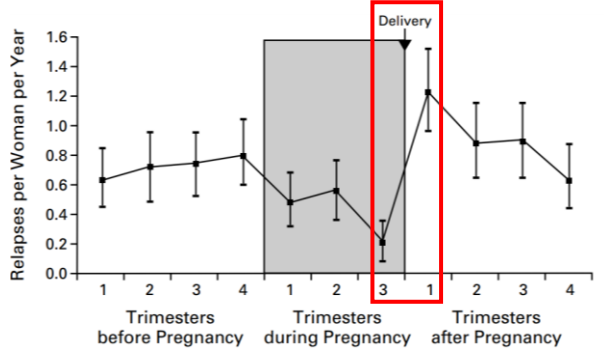
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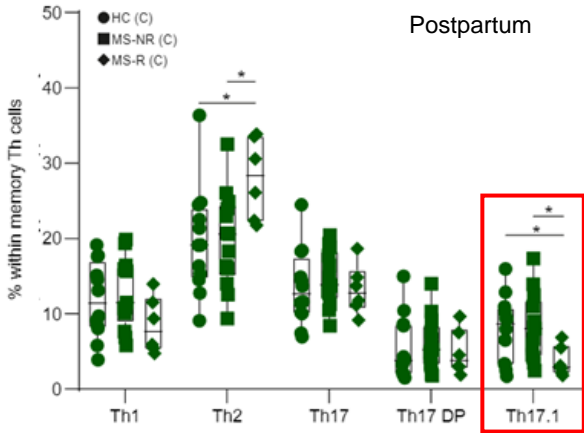
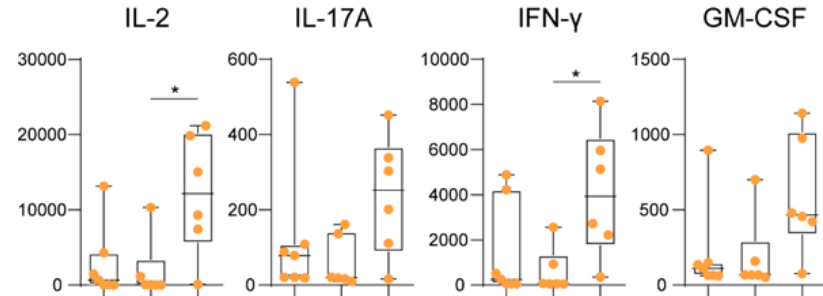
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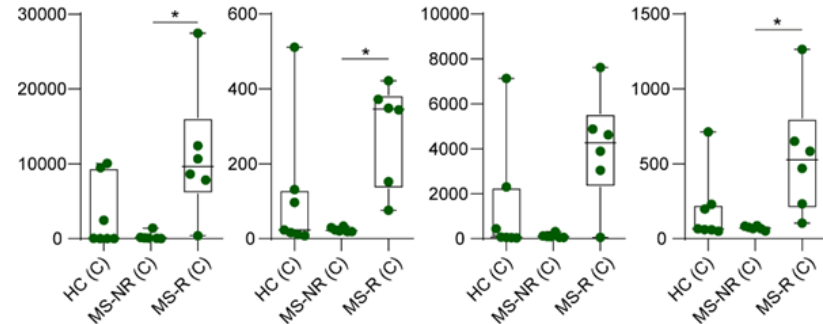
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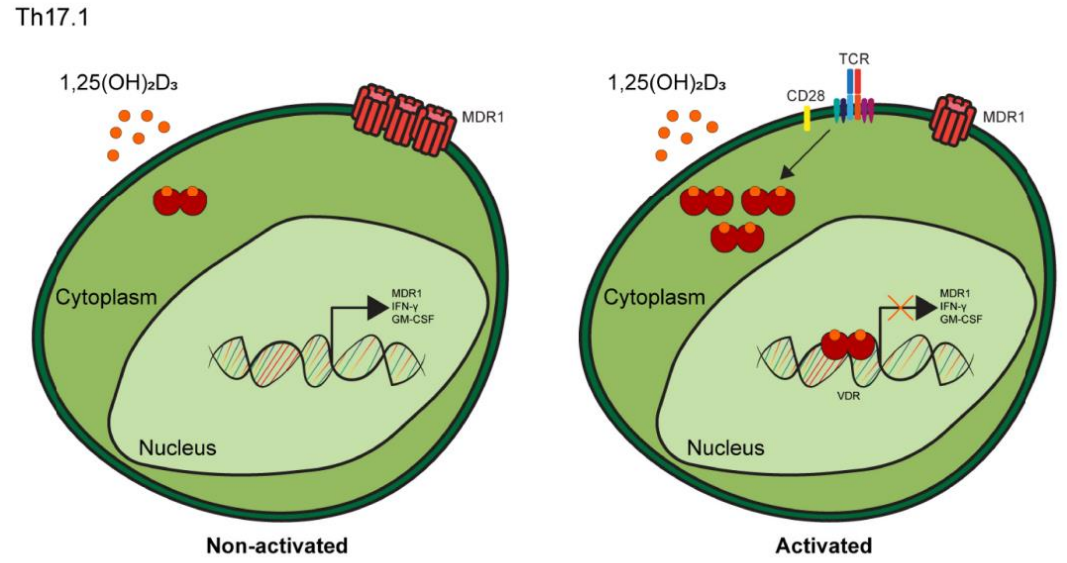
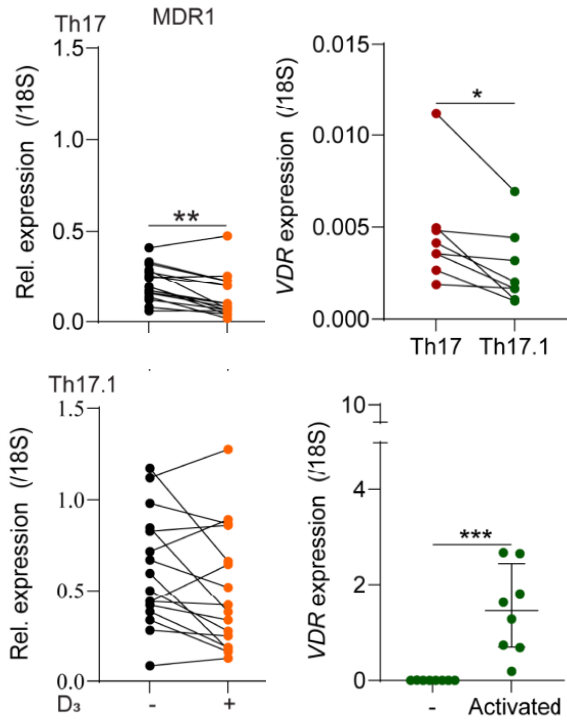
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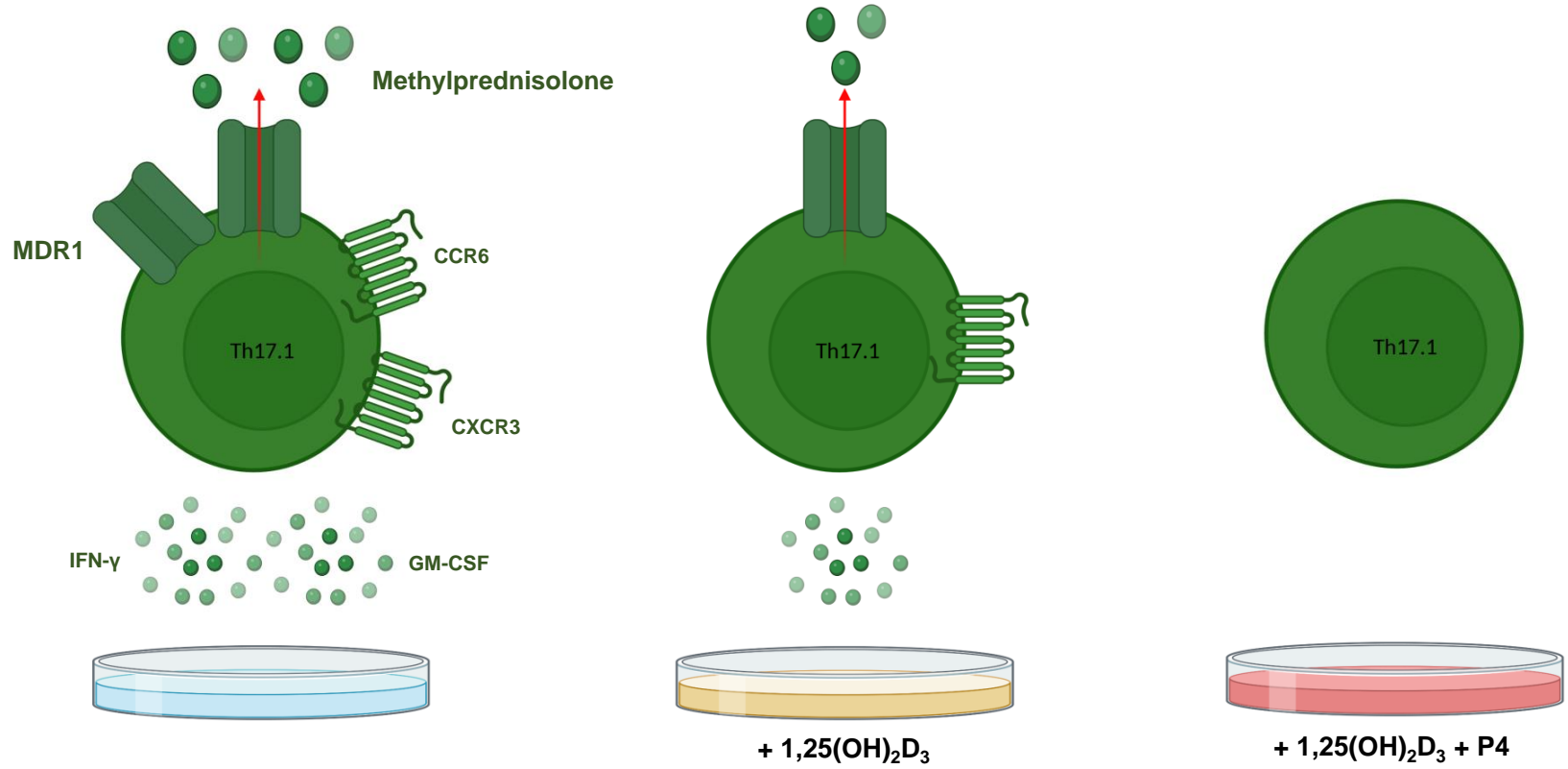
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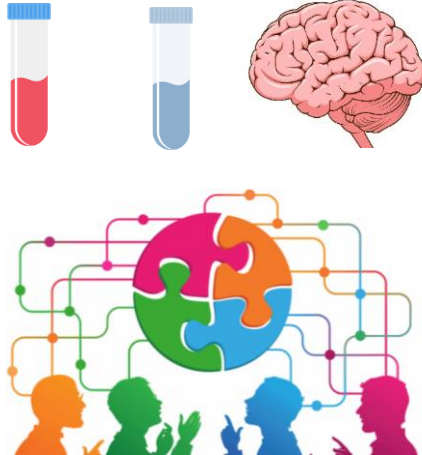


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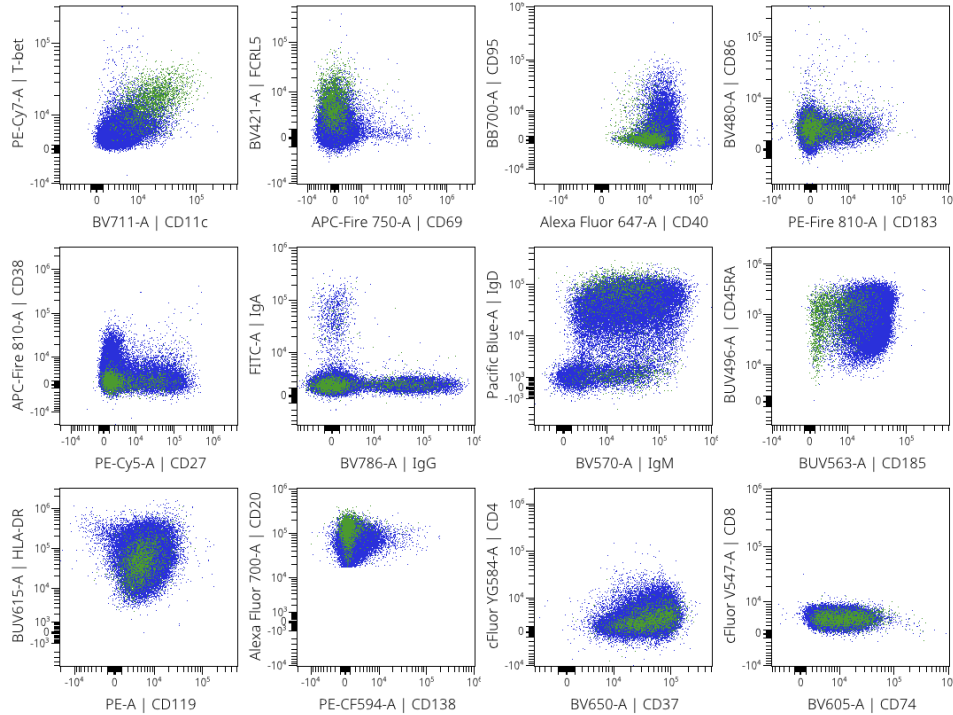
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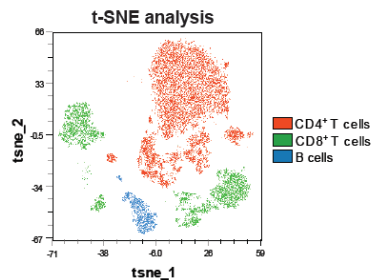
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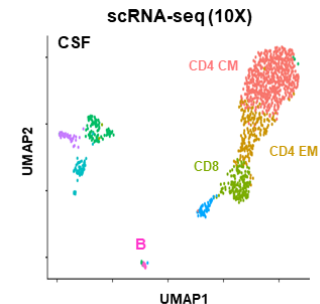
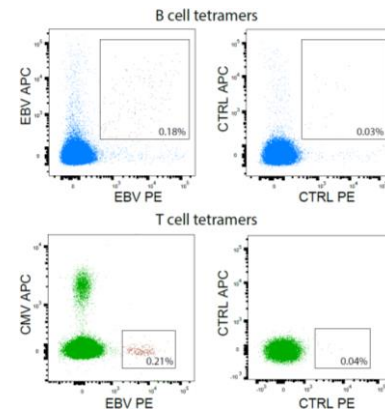
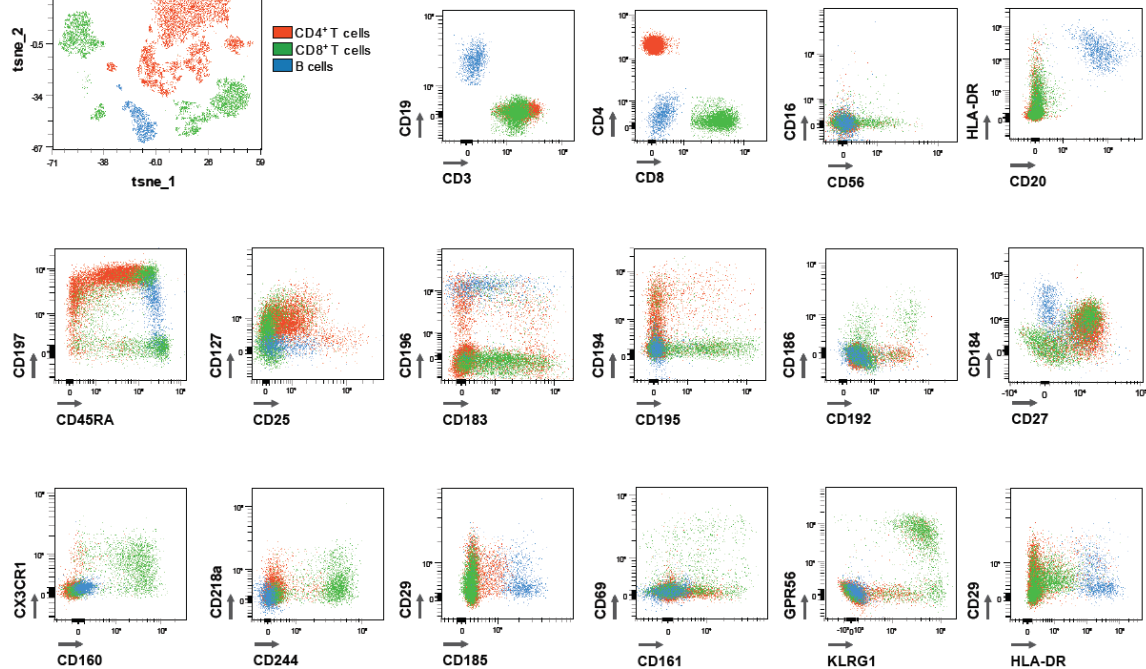
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