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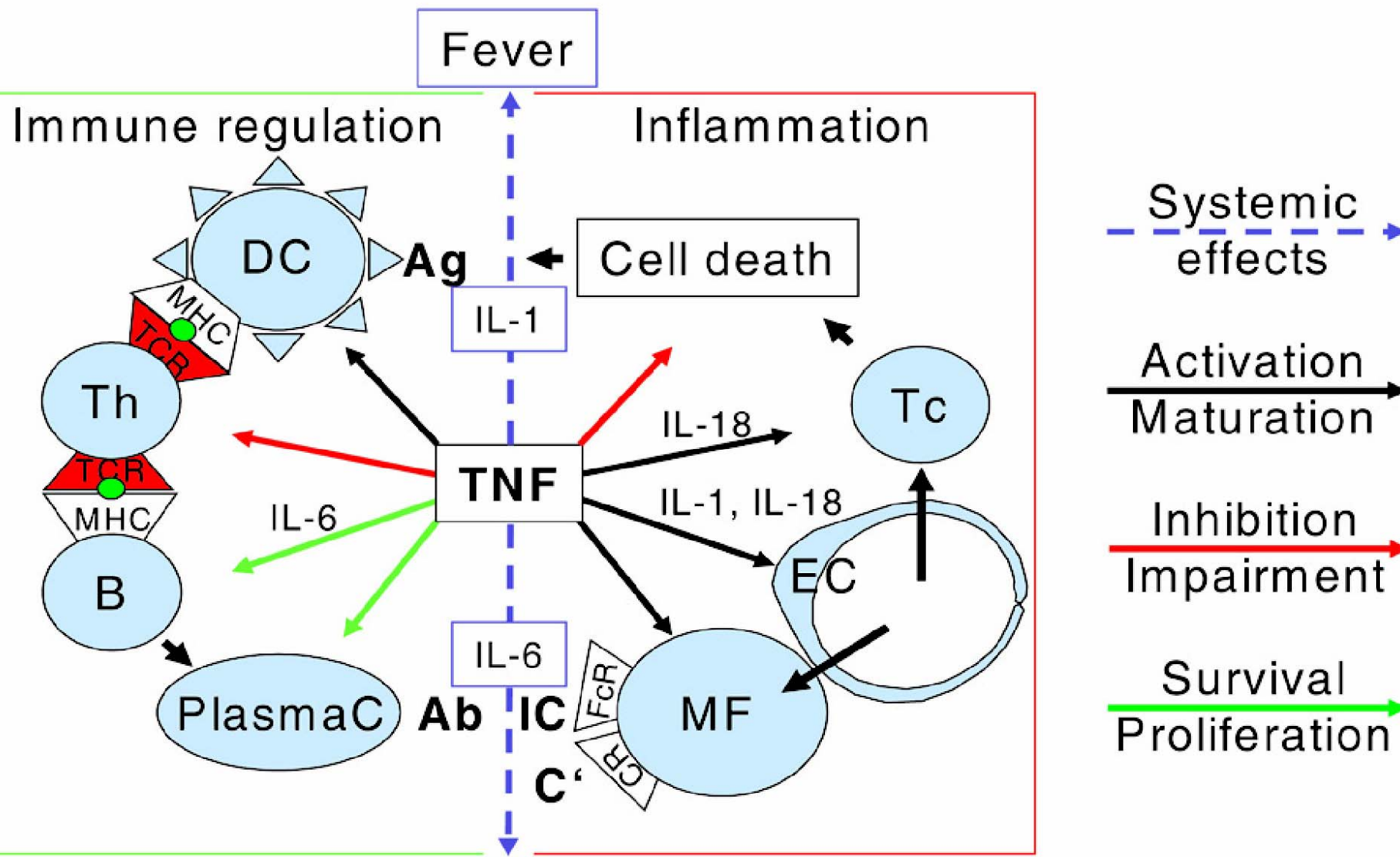
“Induzione di autoanticorpi e lupus-like syndrome”

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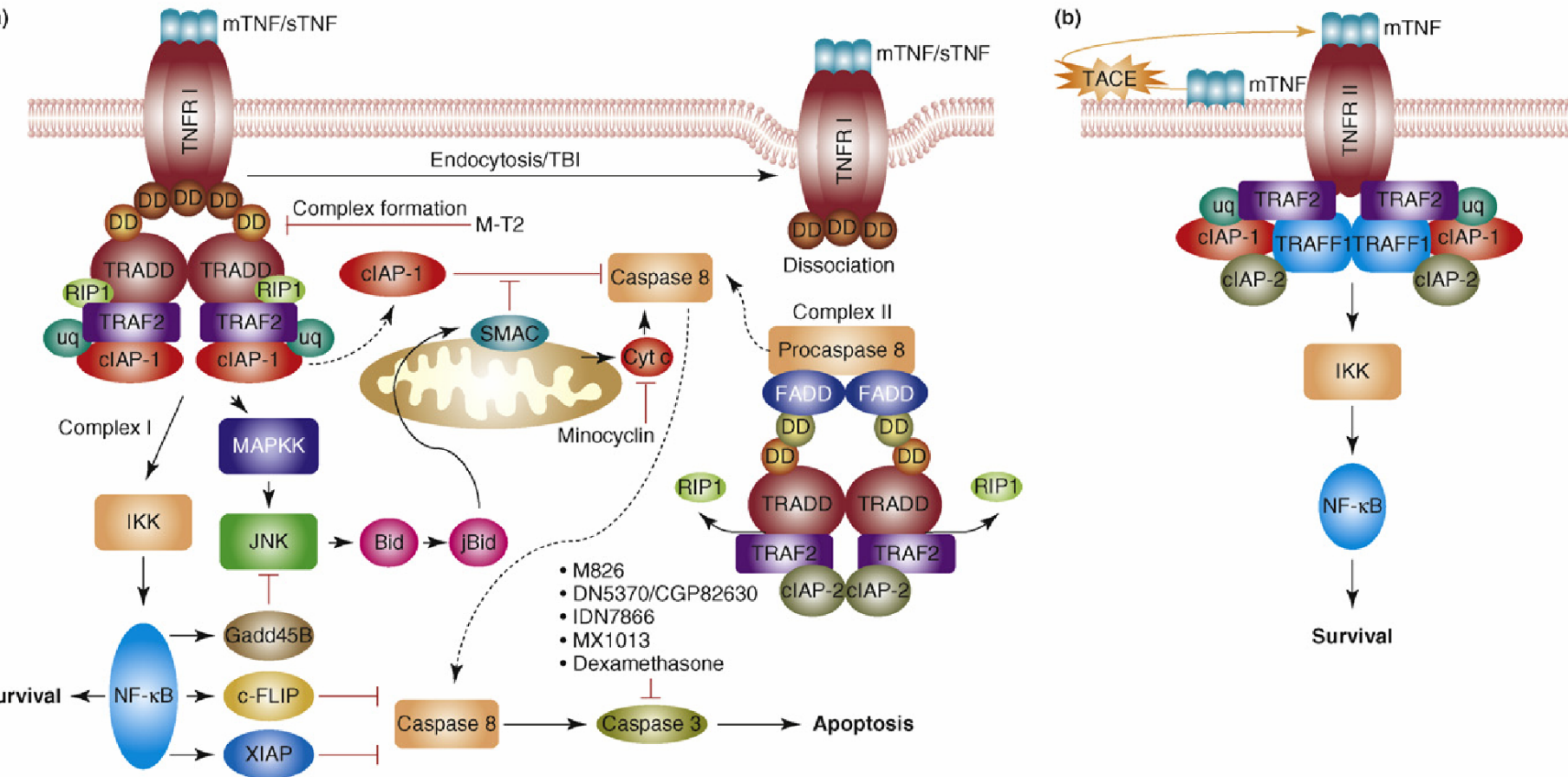


RUOLO DEL TNF- α NELLE RISPOSTE IMMUNOLOGICHE



Acute phase response

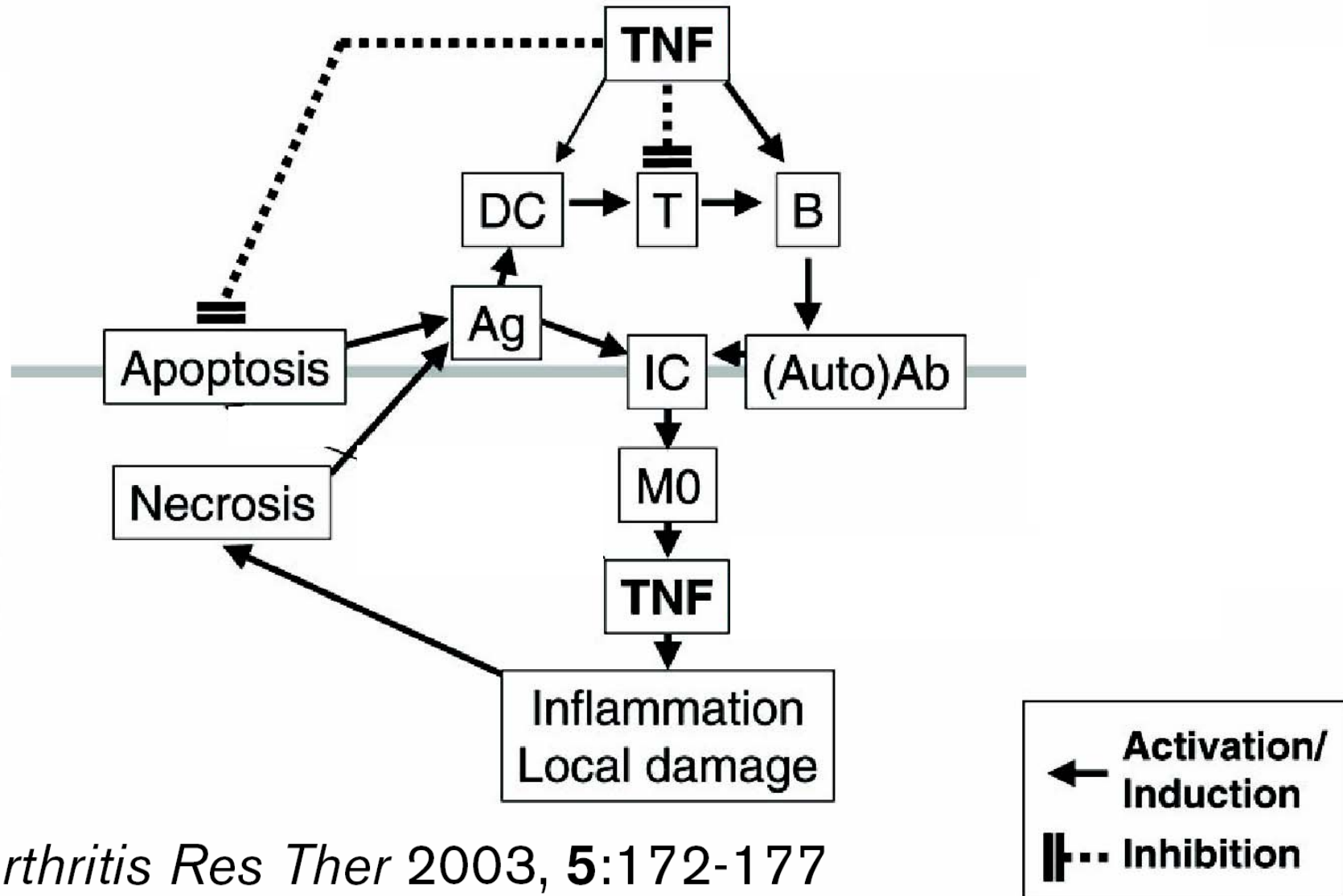
TNF/TNFR



TRENDS in Neurosciences

**POSSIBILI
MECCANISMI ALLA
BASE DELLA
PRODUZIONE DI
AUTOANTICORPI**

RUOLO DEL TNF- α NEL LES



Topi NZB/NZW : ↓ TNF

LES



(sebbene la somministrazione di basse dosi di TNF- α a malattia conclamata accelera la "renal disease")

Topi MRL/lpr/lpr : ↑ TNF

LES



Drug-induced lupus erythematosus

Giampiero Girolomoni et al. Arch Dermatol Res 2008

The mechanisms by which anti-TNF α therapy induces lupus remain unclear but are likely to differ from classic DILE.

One hypothesis could be the ability of the therapeutic anti-TNF α antibodies to bind to cell surface TNF α and to induce apoptotic cell death. This would then result in the release of antinucleosomal autoantigens and the induction of anti-dsDNA antibodies.

Another hypothesis is that the suppression of the T-helper type 1 response by TNF blockers could favour a T-helper type 2 response leading to SLE.

A final hypothesis is the role of bacterial infections which are increased with TNF blockers and are also powerful stimulants leading to polyclonal B-lymphocyte activation and autoantibody production.

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Ipotesi 1: giustificerebbe solo Lupus-Like da Infliximab

Ipotesi 2: TNF- α non è una citochina chiave nel “direzionamento” Th1 e d’altro canto non vi sono evidenze conclusive che il LES sia una malattia Th2

Ipotesi 3: le infezioni orientano il SI prevalentemente in senso Th1

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One hypothesis

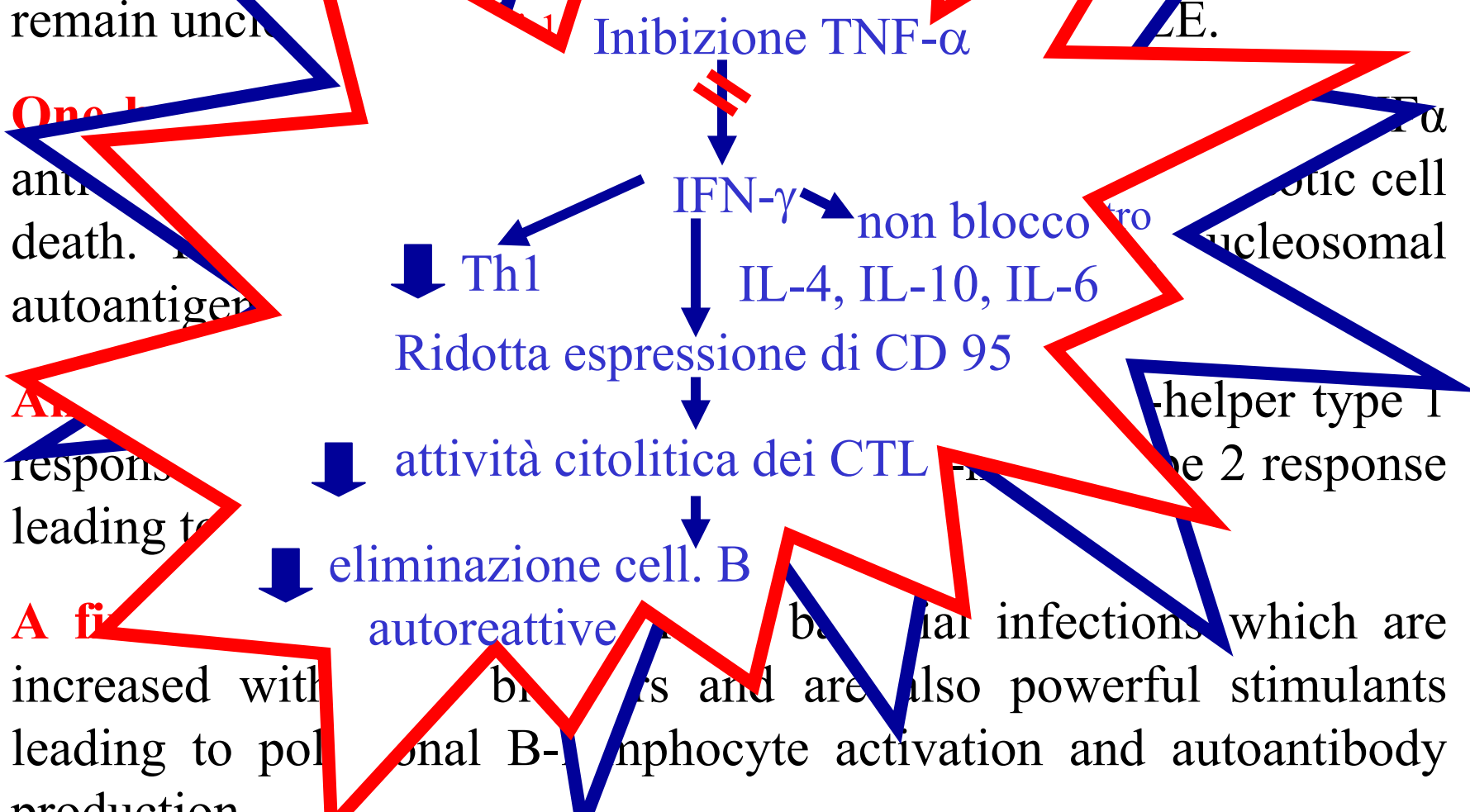
anti-inflammatory drugs inhibit TNF- α and lead to cell death. Inhibitors of TNF- α lead to autoantigen presentation.

Another hypothesis

response leading to lupus-like disease. Inhibitors of TNF- α lead to Th1 response and Th2 response.

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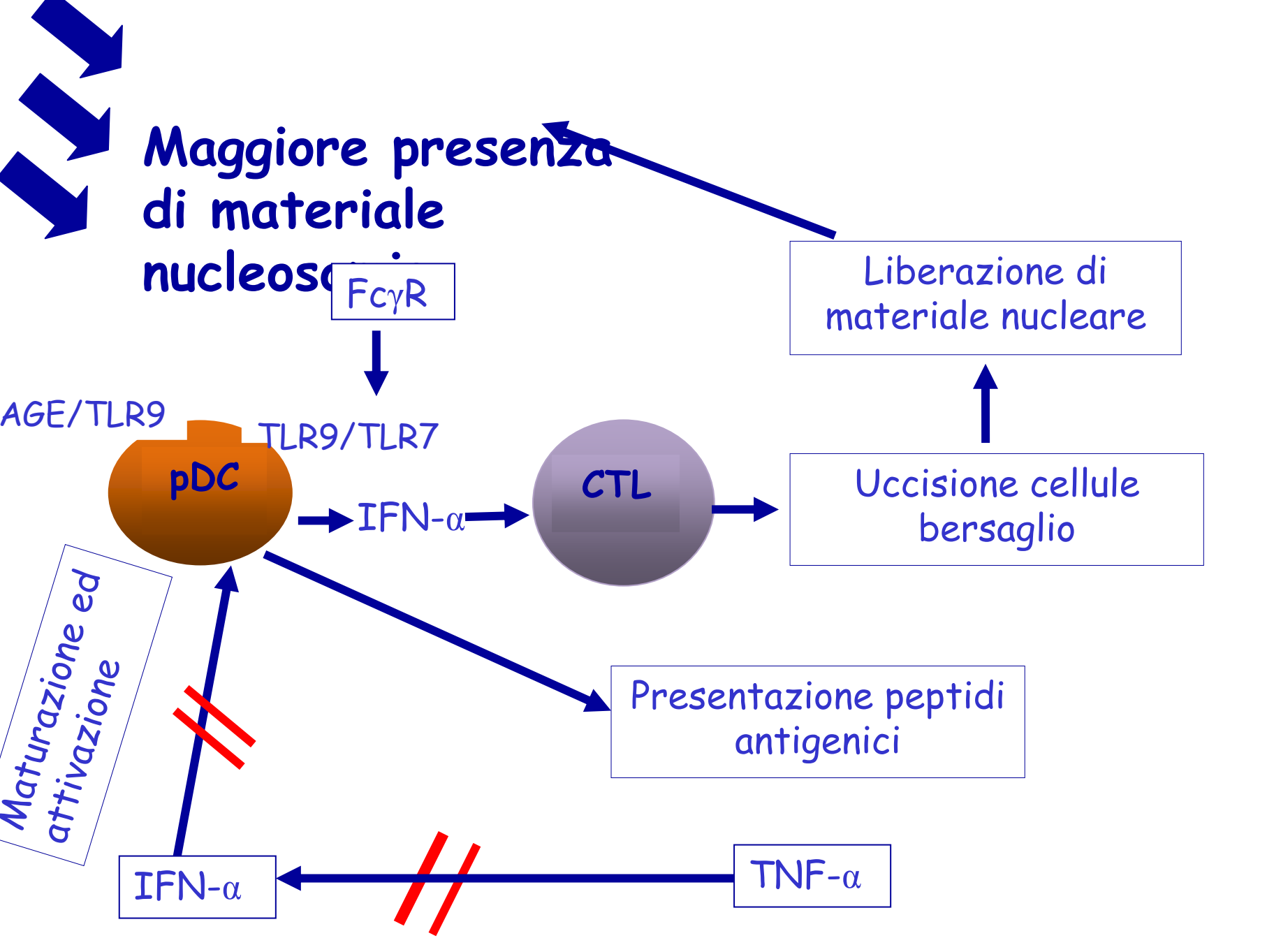
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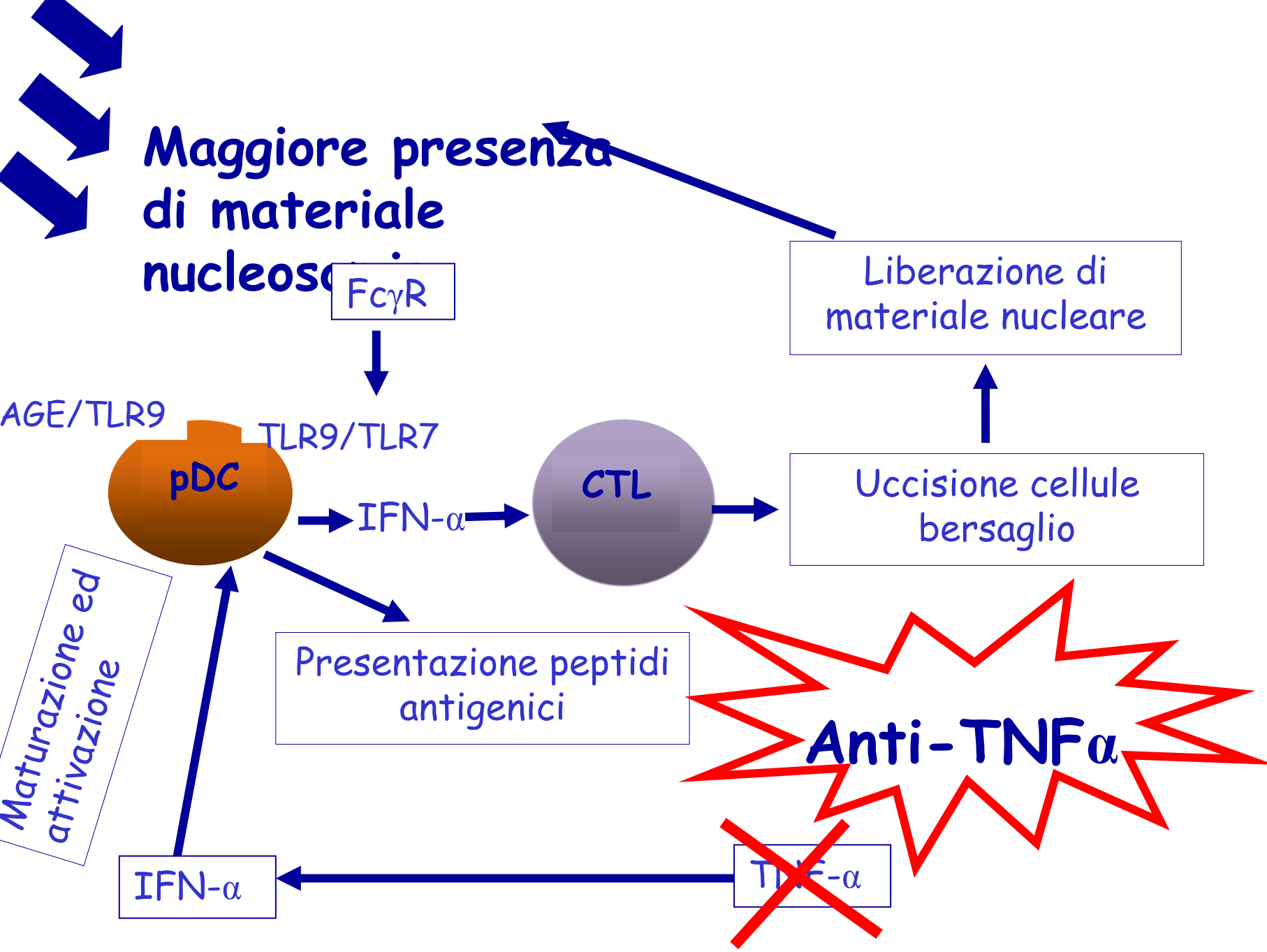


Infliximab-induced lupus-like syndrome in a patient with ankylosing spondylitis

Hatice Bodur et al. Rheumatol Int 2008

Drug-induced lupus can be an adverse event in patients receiving anti-TNF α therapy. The etiopathogenesis of lupus development during this therapy is not accurately known yet. It is considered that TNF α upregulates the cellular expression of CD44 adhesion molecule. This molecule is involved in the phagocytosis of apoptotic neutrophils. Reduction of CD44 expression by anti-TNF α may potentially induce lupus by abnormal clearance and presentation of apoptotic material. Autoantibody formation is common in patients treated with anti-TNF α ; nonetheless, clinical syndrome of lupus is rare. Therefore, it is considered that, among patients treated with anti-TNF α , lupus probably occurs in those with certain genetic and environmental predisposing factors for autoimmune disorders.





ANTI-TNF- α E COMPARSA AUTOANTICORPI

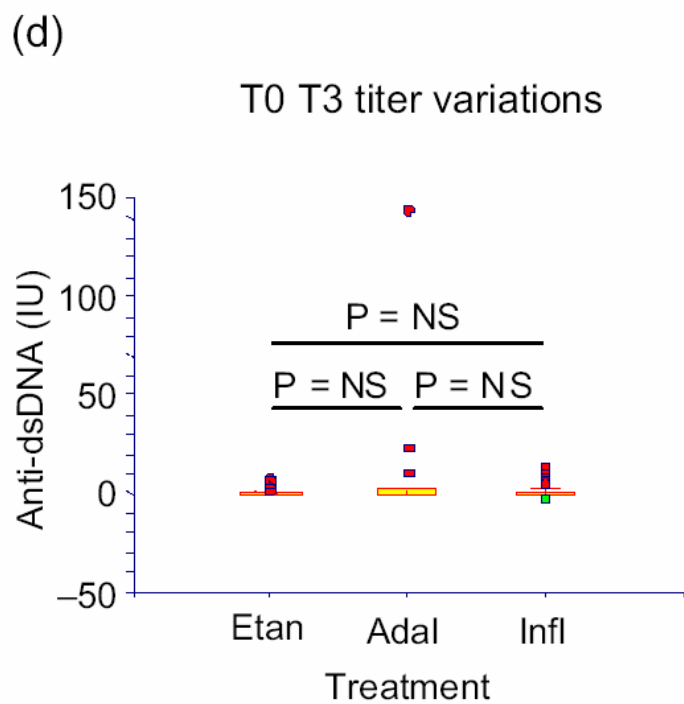
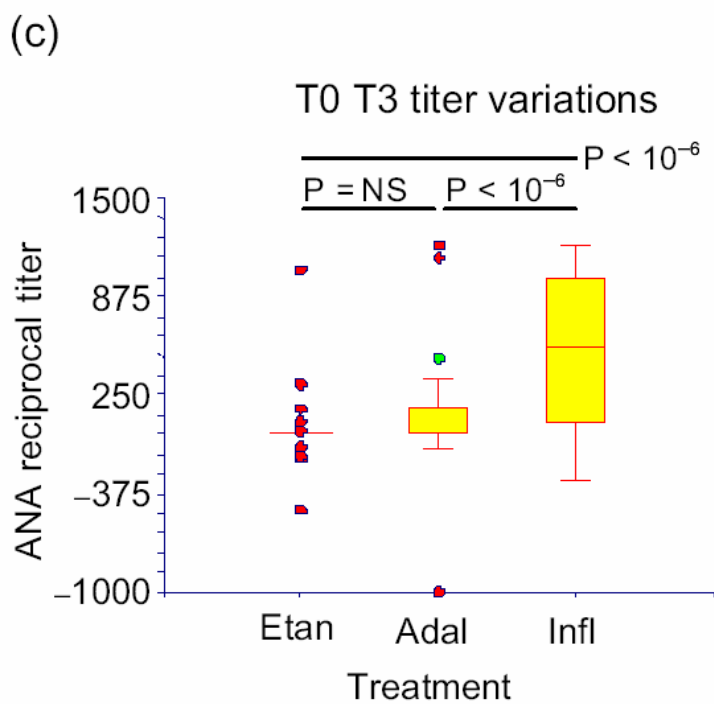
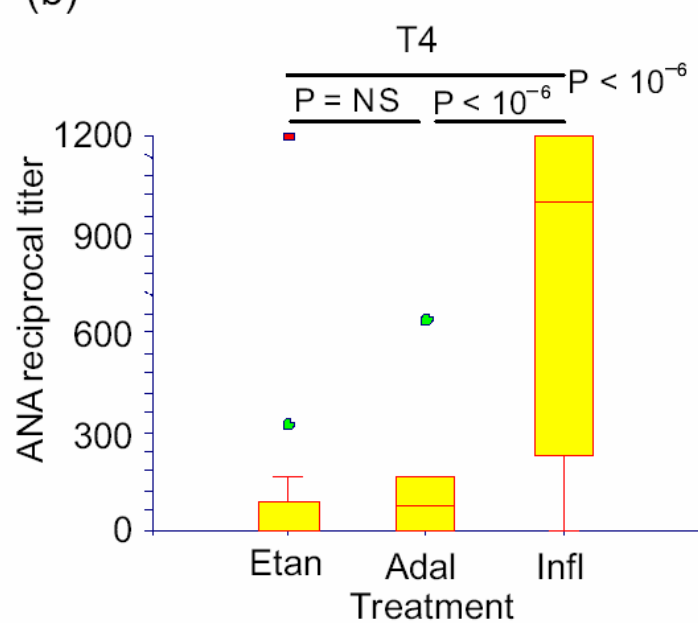
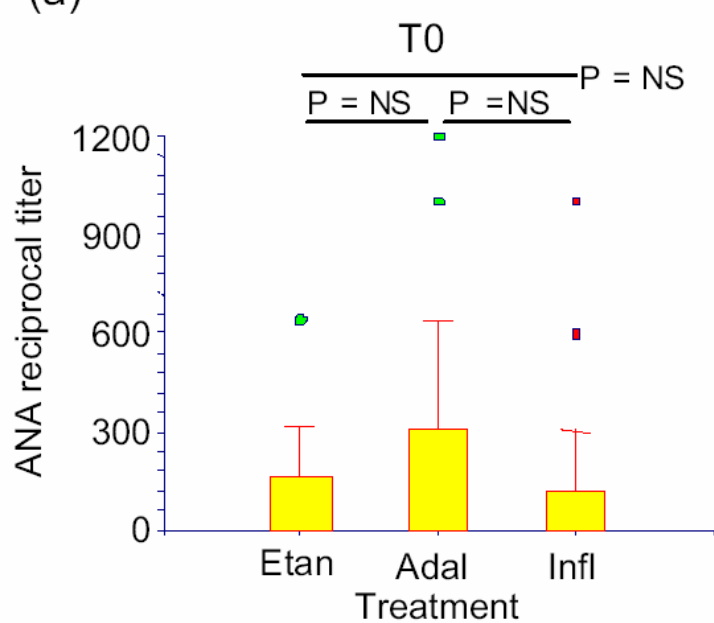
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	AR	MC
Infliximab		
ANA	63.8%	49,1%
ds-DNA	13%	21,5%
Etanercept		
ANA	11%	
ds-DNA	15%	
Adalimumab		
ANA	5.3%	
ds-DNA	12.9%	

Impact of Three Anti-TNF α Biologics on Existing and Emergent Autoimmunity in Rheumatoid Arthritis and Spondylarthropathy Patients

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LESSONS FOR LUPUS FROM TUMOUR NECROSIS FACTOR BLOCKADE

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Autoimmune Diseases Induced by TNF-Targeted Therapies

Analysis of 233 Cases

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Registry of Autoimmune Diseases Associated With
Anti-TNF Agents*

Disease	Total No. of Cases Reported
Cutaneous leukocytoclastic vasculitis	79
Lupus-like syndrome	48
Systemic lupus erythematosus	37
Interstitial lung disease	18
Cutaneous necrotizing vasculitis	8
Isolated cutaneous lupus	7
Peripheral neuropathy	6
Rapidly progressive glomerulonephritis	5
Cutaneous lymphocytic vasculitis	4
Sarcoidosis	3
Henoch-Schönlein purpura	2
Pulmonary hemorrhage	2
Inflammatory myopathies	2
Antiphospholipid syndrome	2
Polyarteritis nodosa	1
Temporal arteritis	1
Urticarial vasculitis	1
Bronchiolitis obliterans organizing pneumonia	1
Other type of vasculitis	6
Total	233

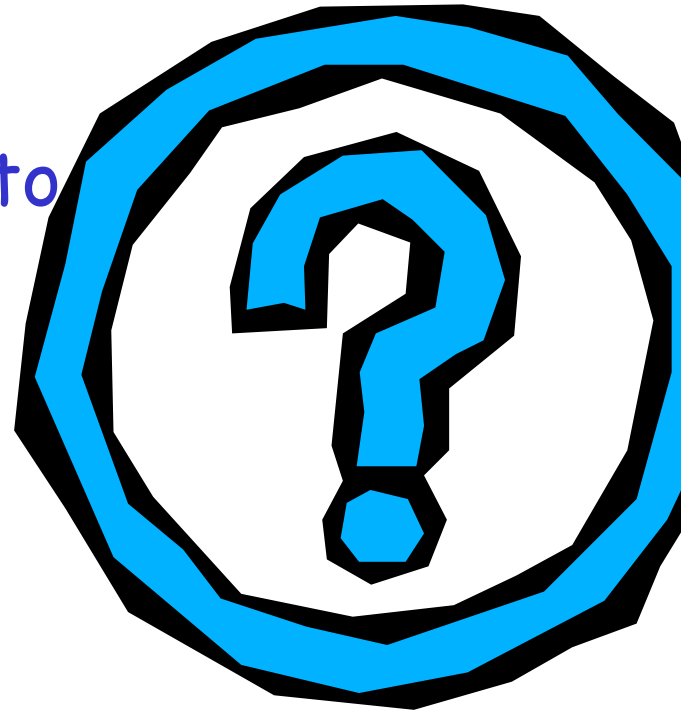
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Feature	Anti-TNF- Related Lupus (%)	Procainamide- Related Lupus (%)	Idiopathic SLE (%)
ANA	79	>95	99
Anti-dsDNA	72	<5	90
Rash/cutaneous involvement	67	<5	54–70
Arthritis	31	20	83
Fever/general symptoms	23	45	42
Hypocomplementemia	17	<5	48
Leukopenia	14	15	66
Serositis	12	50	28
aCL	11	5–20	15
Glomerulonephritis	7	<5	34
Thrombocytopenia	6	<5	31
Neuropsychiatric	3	<5	12
Anti-histone antibodies	ND	>95	50–60

Abbreviations: aCL = anticardiolipin antibodies; ND = no data.

FATTORI PREDITTIVI DI LUPUS-LIKE SYNDROME

- Polimorfismo genetico TNF- α
- Presenza prima del trattamento di anticorpi antinucleari
- Comparsa di anticorpi anti-nucleosomi
- L'isotipo dell' anticorpo



Recommendations for the Management of Autoimmune Diseases Associated With Anti-TNF Agents

1. Perform baseline immunologic analysis and chest X-ray upon starting anti-TNF therapy.
2. Maintain specific follow-up centered on the possible development of cutaneous, articular, or pulmonary manifestations.
3. Evaluate adverse effects related to anti-TNF accurately, discarding the existence of undiagnosed autoimmune diseases (mainly systemic vasculitis, lupus, or ILD).
4. In patients with mild features (cutaneous, articular, and/or general involvement), cessation of anti-TNF therapy will probably be sufficient, although continuation might be considered under close follow-up.
5. In patients with severe (pulmonary, renal, or neurologic) involvement, cessation of anti-TNF therapy is mandatory, probably together with corticosteroids (adding immunosuppressive agents according to the clinical evolution).
6. Preexisting SLE, especially in the presence of severe organ involvement (renal, pulmonary, or neurologic), should be considered as a precautionary scenario for the use of anti-TNF agents.
7. Anti-TNF agents should not be used in patients with preexisting interstitial pulmonary disorders.

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Review

The role of tumor necrosis factor- α in systemic lupus erythematosus

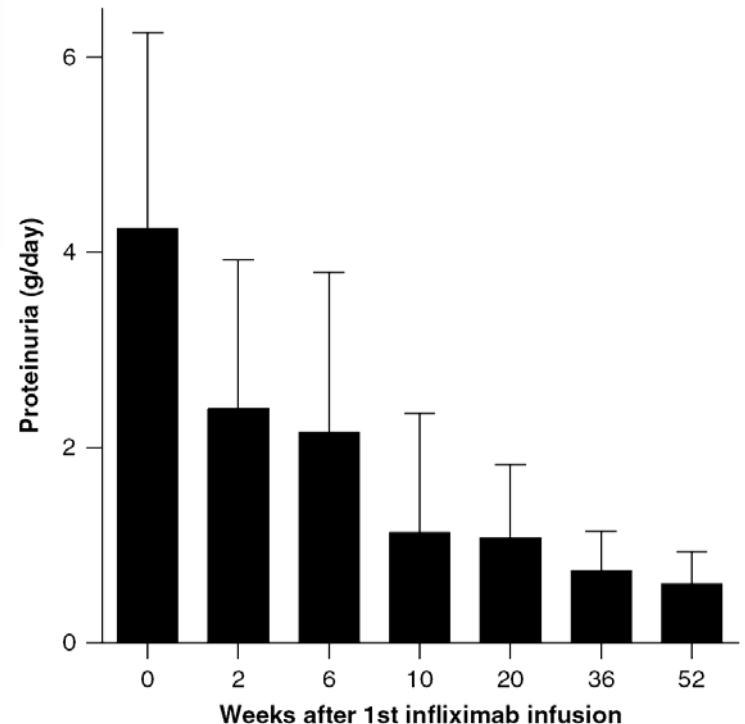
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Efficacy and safety of TNF-blocker therapy in systemic lupus erythematosus

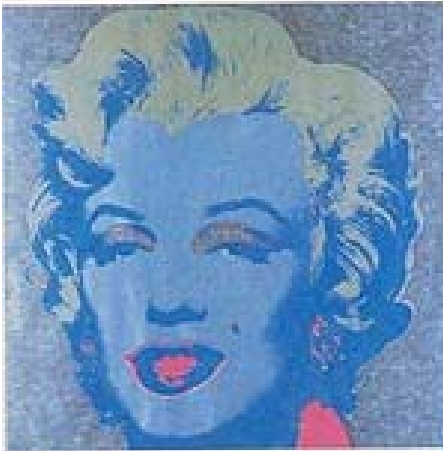
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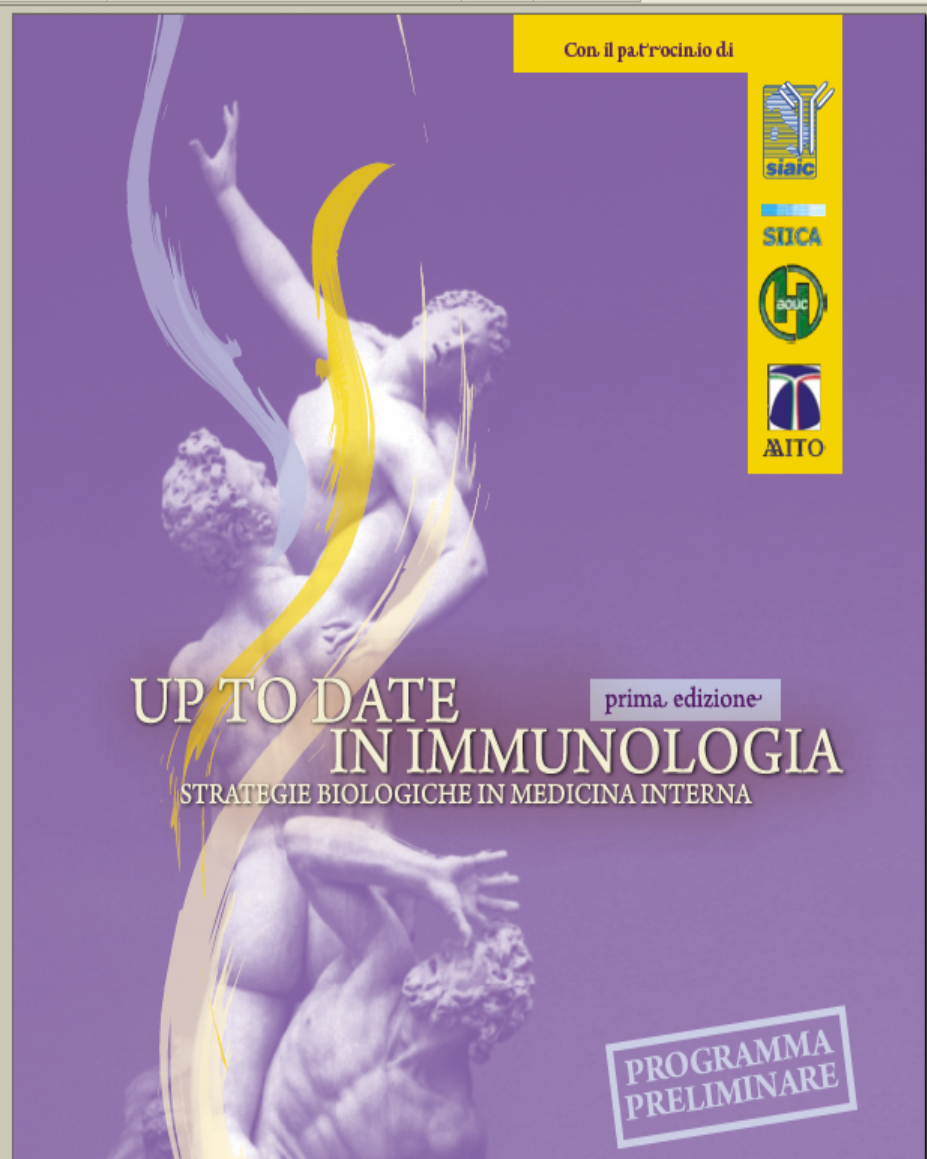
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CONCLUSIONI

- Prima di intraprendere terapia con anti-TNF- α è necessaria un'attenta valutazione clinica ed immunologica del paziente;
- E'consigliabile la determinazione degli autoanticorpi (ANA,anti-ENA,anti-DNA) al tempo zero e periodicamente durante il trattamento;
- L'approccio terapeutico, nonché il prosieguo della terapia, si deve basare sul quadro clinico. In particolare la comparsa di lieve sintomatologia può indurre ad una pausa nella somministrazione della terapia, mentre un importante coinvolgimento d'organo impone la sospensione del trattamento;
- La comparsa di autoanticorpi è frequente, mentre è rara l'evenienza di una sindrome Lupus-like





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