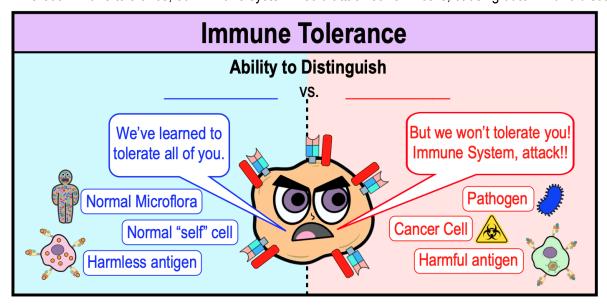
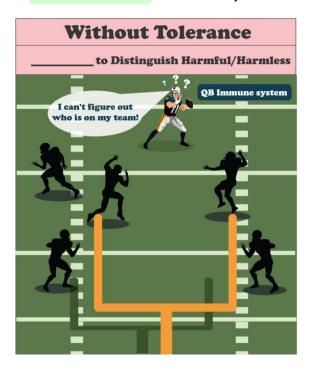
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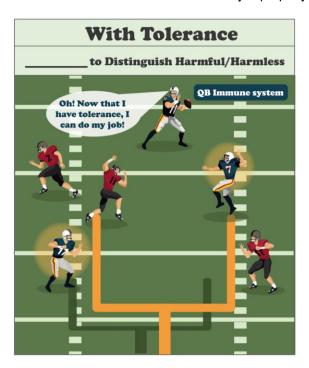
- •Our immune system must build *immune tolerance* to \_\_\_\_\_\_ an inappropriate response to *harmless* antigens.
  - □ **Immune Tolerance:** the ability of our immune system to ignore (or \_\_\_\_\_\_) any given molecule.
    - □ Goal: generate immune tolerance to ONLY \_\_\_\_\_ antigens.
    - □ Without immune tolerance, our immune system would attack our own cells, causing *autoimmune disease*.



# Football Analogy for Immune Tolerance

- •Immune tolerance: ability for immune system (QB) to distinguish between harmful (opponent) & harmless (teammates)
  - □ Without tolerance, our immune system can \_\_\_\_\_ distinguish between harmful & harmless.
  - tolerance, our immune system CAN distinguish between harmful & harmless & do its job properly.

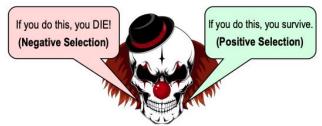


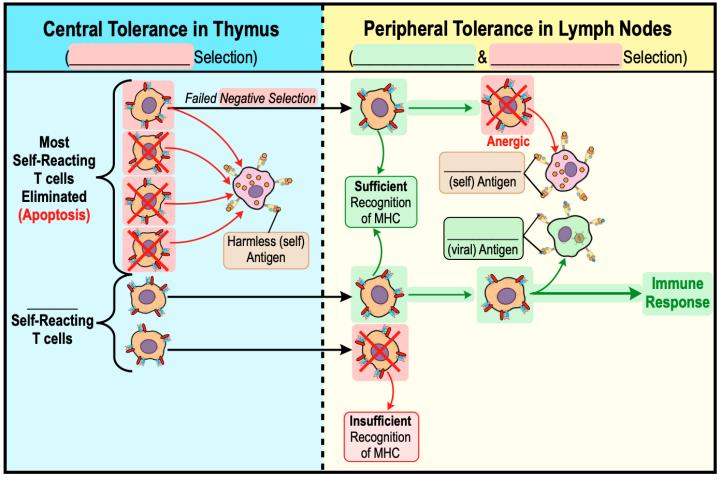


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# **Central vs. Peripheral Tolerance**

- •Sometimes, our adaptive immune response mistakenly produces self-reacting T & B cells that harm our own cells.
  - ☐ To prevent this, our body builds-up a **tolerance** by strictly controlling T & B cell development.
- •There are types of tolerance mechanisms controlling T & B cell development:
  - 1) Central Tolerance: negative selection of mature T & B cells \_\_\_\_\_\_ leaving primary lymphoid organs.
    - □ Elimination/removal of \_\_\_\_\_-reacting T & B cells by *apoptosis*.
  - 2) Peripheral Tolerance: selection of mature T & B cells \_\_\_\_\_\_ leaving primary lymphoid organs.
    - □ Ex: Positively selects T cells that bind *any* MHC & negatively selects T cells that bind harmless antigens.
    - □ Self-reacting T & B cells become \_\_\_\_\_ (unresponsive) & eventually undergo apoptosis.
- •Tolerance mechanisms are so strict that approximately 95% of T & B cells undergo apoptosis.





# **CONCEPT: IMMUNE TOLERANCE**

**PRACTICE:** The most important function of peripheral tolerance is to:

- a) Eliminate mature B & T lymphocytes that bypassed central tolerance from reacting to self-cells.
- b) Eliminate inactive B & T lymphocytes from peripheral blood.
- c) Eliminate self-reacting B & T lymphocytes before they enter central tolerance.
- d) Eliminate mature B & T lymphocytes from the bone marrow.

PRACTICE: Where do T cells undergo central tolerance selection?

- a) Bone marrow.
- b) Pancreas.
- c) Thymus.
- d) Liver.
- e) Brain.

# **PRACTICE:** What is immunological tolerance?

- a) The ability of the immune system to remove lymphocytes that recognize and attack foreign antigens.
- b) The ability of the immune system to differentiate between self and non-self antigens.
- c) The ability of the immune system to create antibodies that most effectively bind foreign antigens.
- d) The ability of the immune system to tolerate a certain amount of pathogens before triggering an immune response.

**PRACTICE:** Which of the following is NOT a consequence of the immune system lacking an immune tolerance?

- a) The immune system cells will only recognize and attack foreign antigens.
- b) The immune system cells will recognize and attack foreign and self-antigens.
- c) The immune system will attack self-cells causing autoimmune diseases.
- d) The immune system will not remove T and B lymphocytes that bind to self-antigens.