

# Meccanismi dell'immunità

## IMMUNITA' INNATA

Non specifica ma immediata

Senza "memoria"

Opera in tutti gli organismi

Barriere fisiche o chimiche  
(epiteli e mucose, pH gastrico)

Cellule con attività fagocitaria

Proteine specifiche,

RNAi

## IMMUNITA' ADATTATIVA

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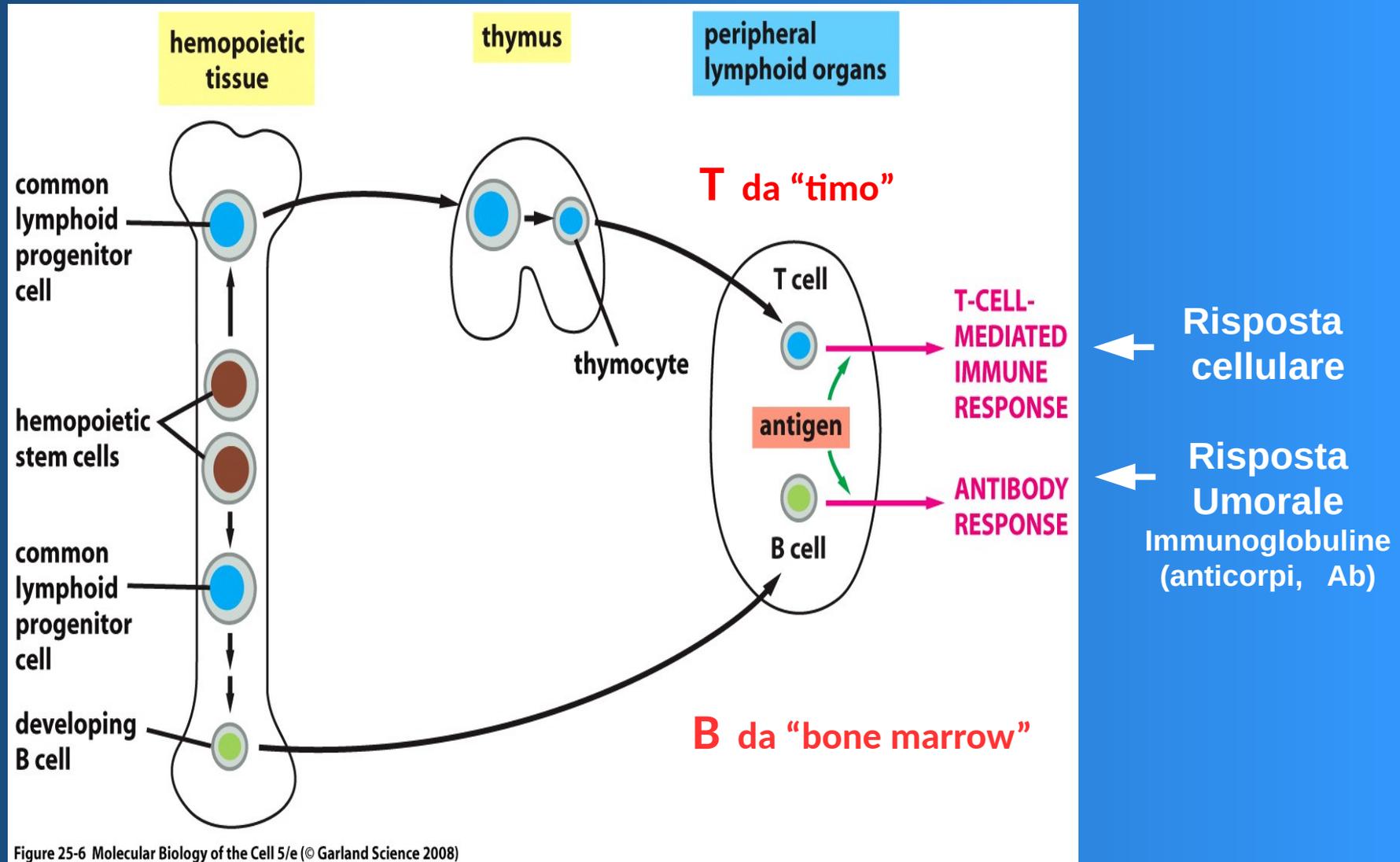
Induce "memoria"

Limitata ai vertebrati

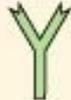
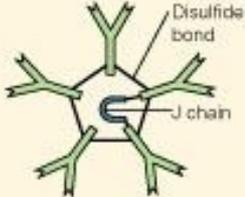
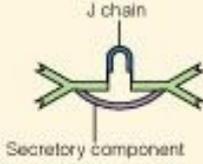
Risposte cellulari  
mediate da linfociti T

Risposte anticirpali  
mediate da linfociti B

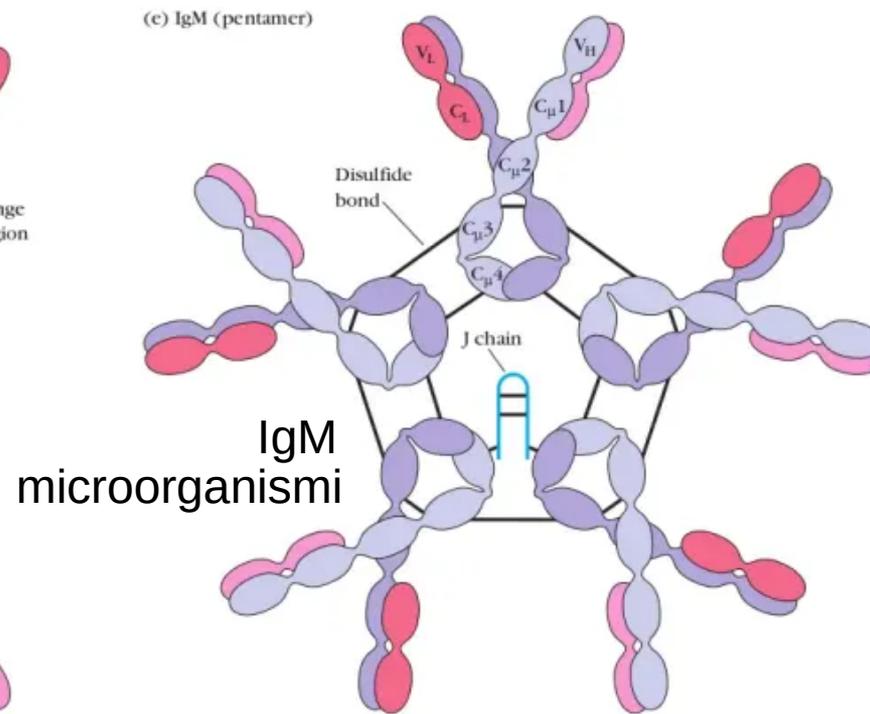
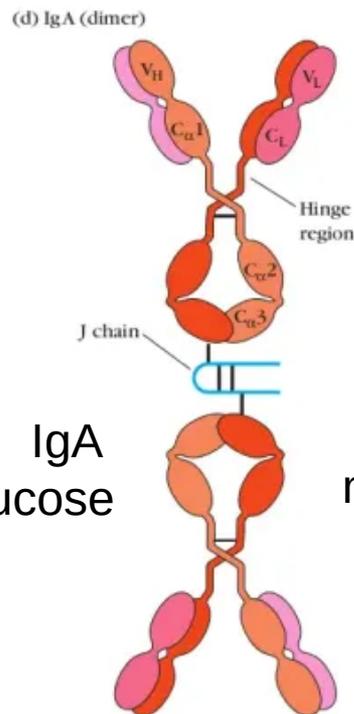
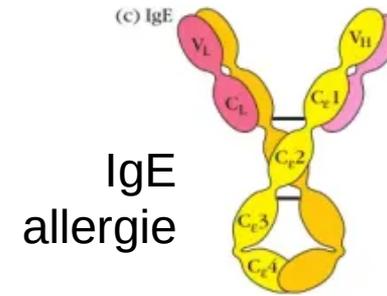
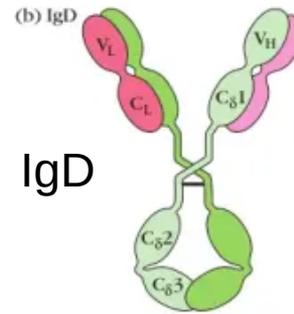
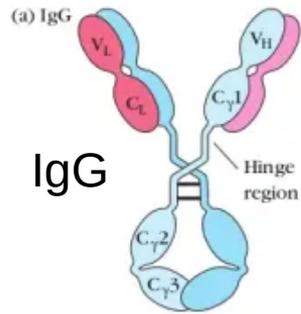
# Origine del sistema immunitario



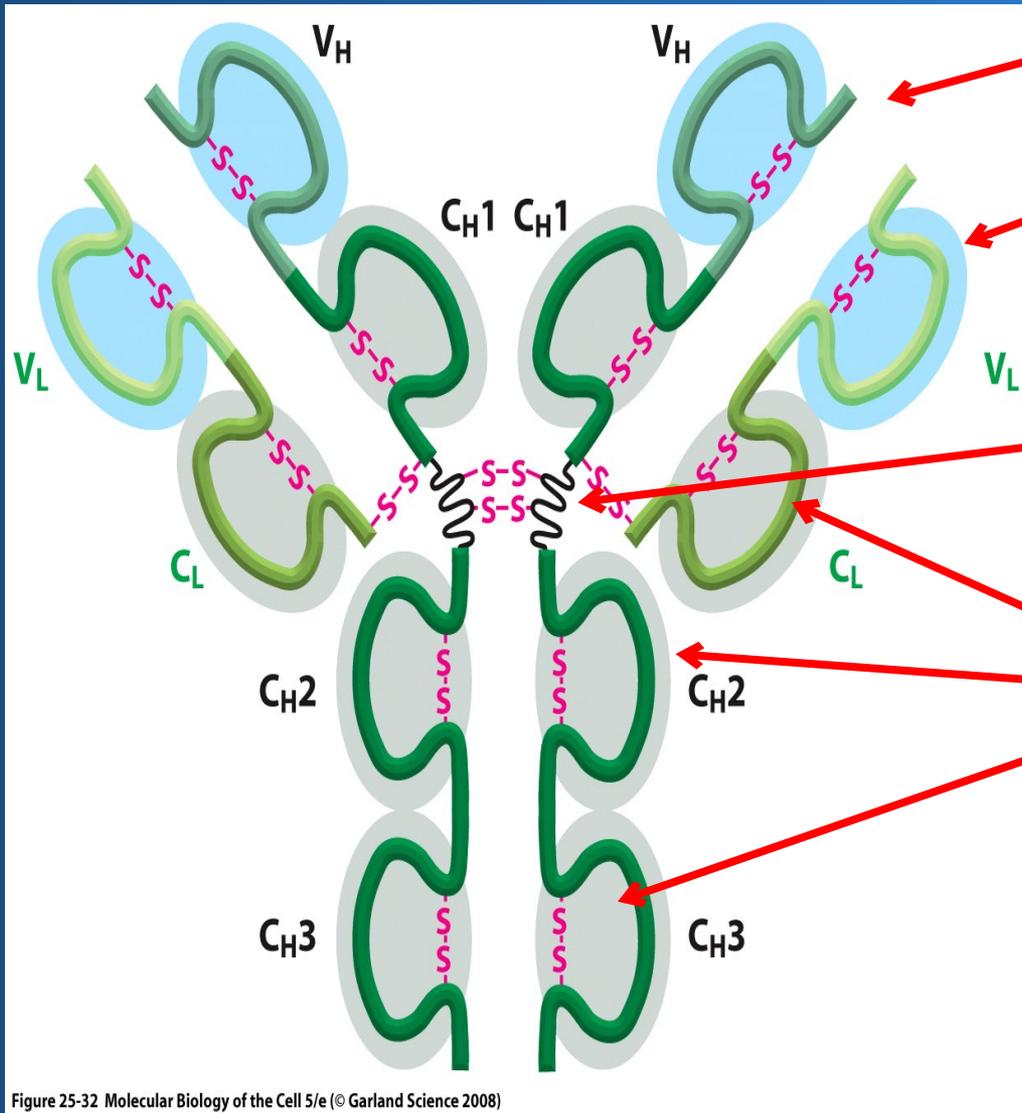
# Classi di immunoglobuline (Ig)

Characteristics	IgG	IgM	IgA	IgD	IgE
					
Structure	Monomer	Pentamer	Dimer (with secretory component)	Monomer	Monomer
Percentage of total serum antibody	80%	5–10%	10–15%*	0.2%	0.002%
Location	Blood, lymph, intestine	Blood, lymph, B cell surface (as monomer)	Secretions (tears, saliva, mucus, intestine, milk), blood lymph	B cell surface, blood, lymph	Bound to mast and basophil cells throughout body, blood
Molecular weight	150,000	970,000	405,000	175,000	190,000
Half-life in serum	23 days	5 days	6 days	3 days	2 days
Complement fixation	Yes	Yes	No <sup>†</sup>	No	No
Placental transfer	Yes	No	No	No	No
Known functions	Enhances phagocytosis; neutralizes toxins and viruses; protects fetus and newborn	Especially effective against microorganisms and agglutinating antigens; first antibodies produced in response to initial infection	Localized protection on mucosal surfaces	Serum function not known; presence on B cells functions in initiation of immune response	Allergic reactions; possibly lysis of parasitic worms

# Classi di immunoglobuline (Ig)



# Immunoglobuline



Catena pesante

Catena leggera

Zone  
“cerniera”

Domini  
“IMMUNOGLOBULIN  
LIKE”  
di circa 100 aa

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# Immunoglobuline

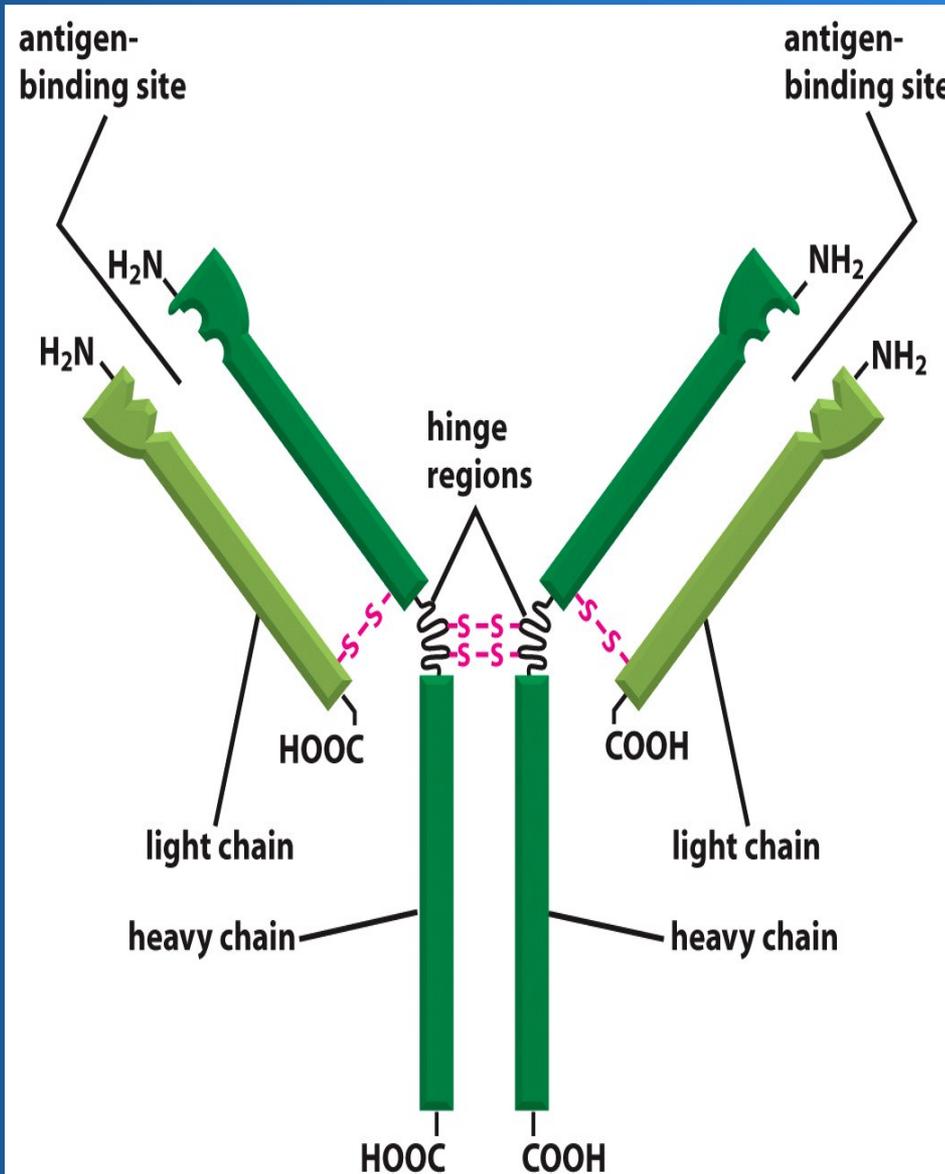
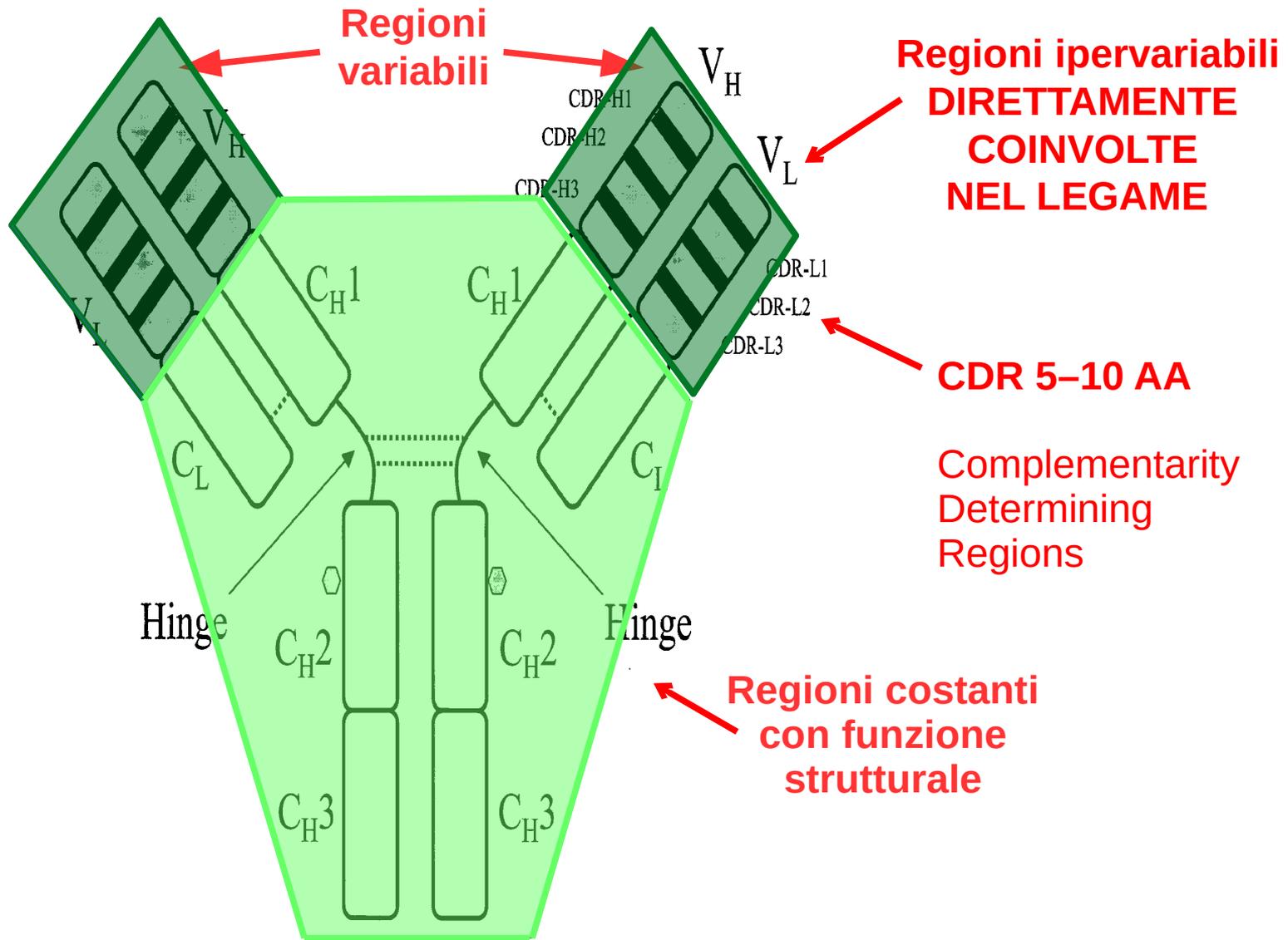
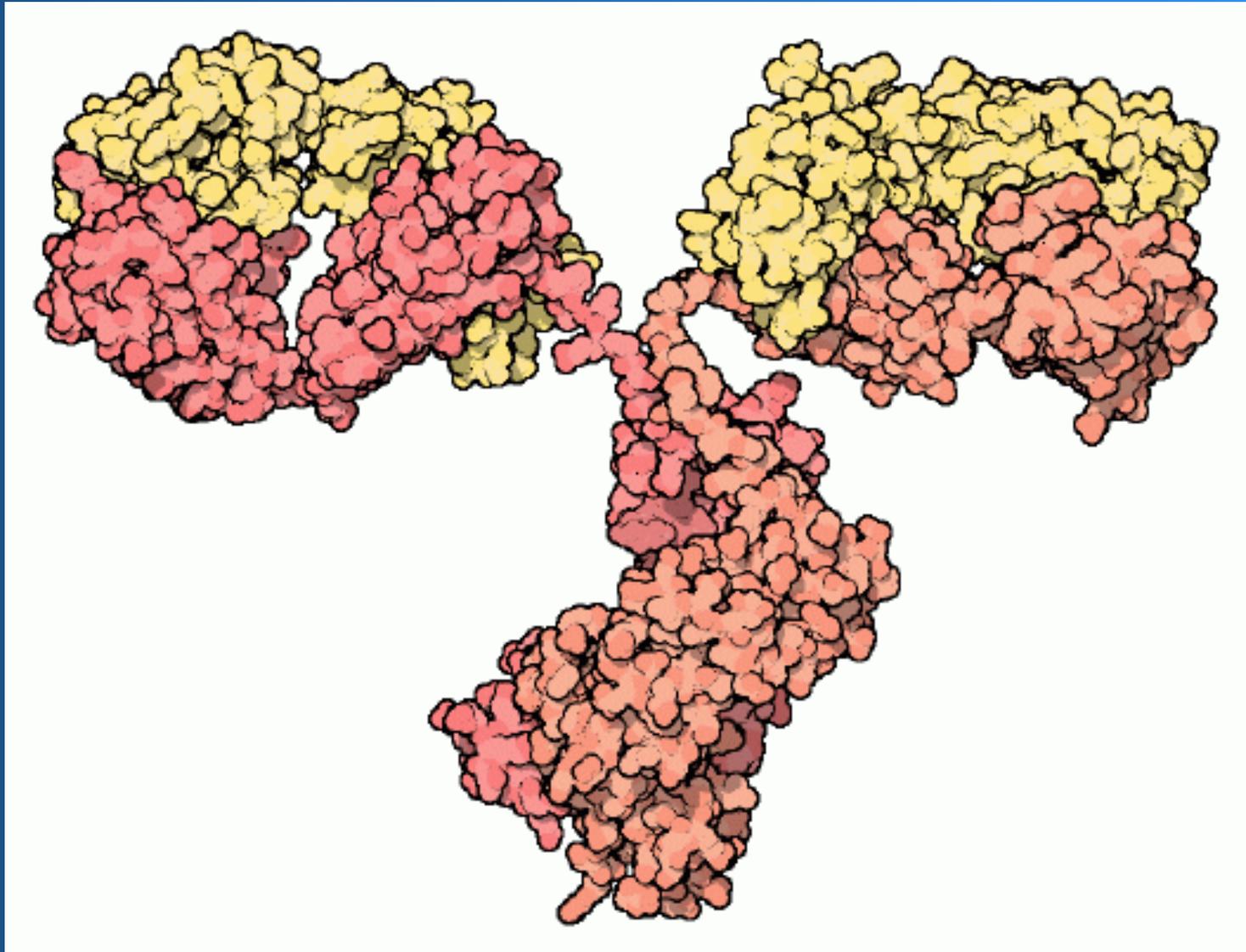


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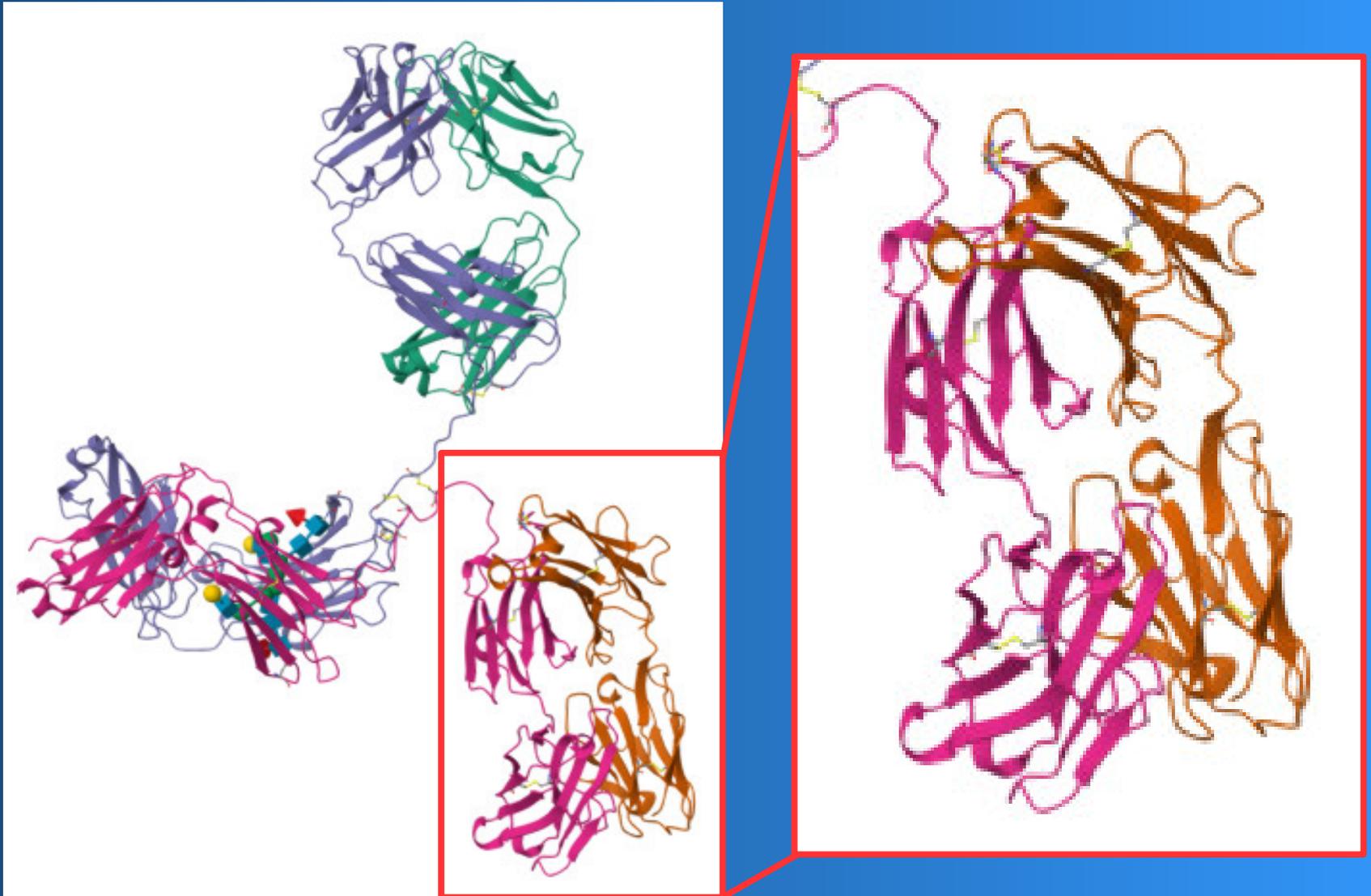
# Immunoglobuline



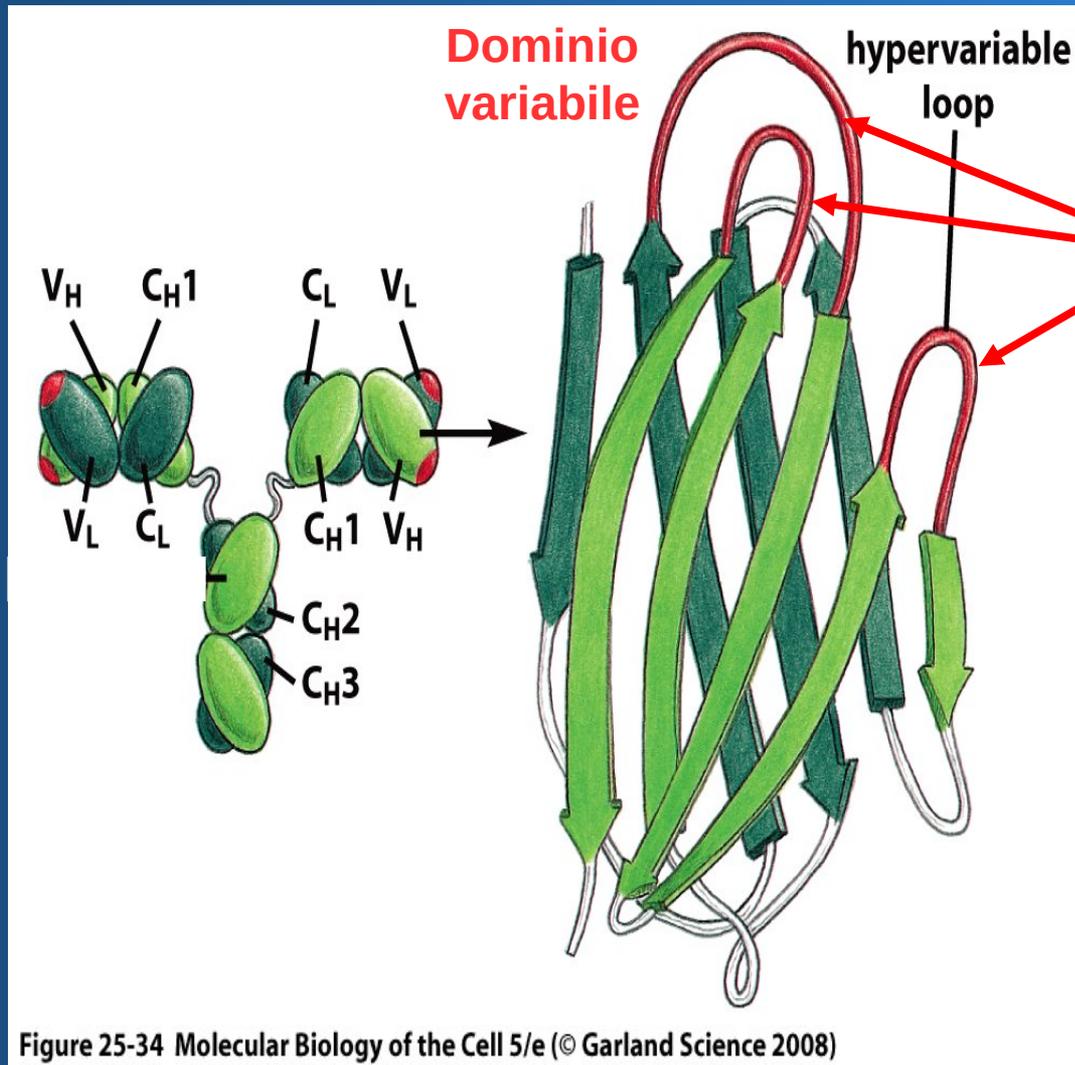
# Immunoglobuline



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CDR

Ipervariabili

sono le zone più esposte

riconoscono gli antigeni

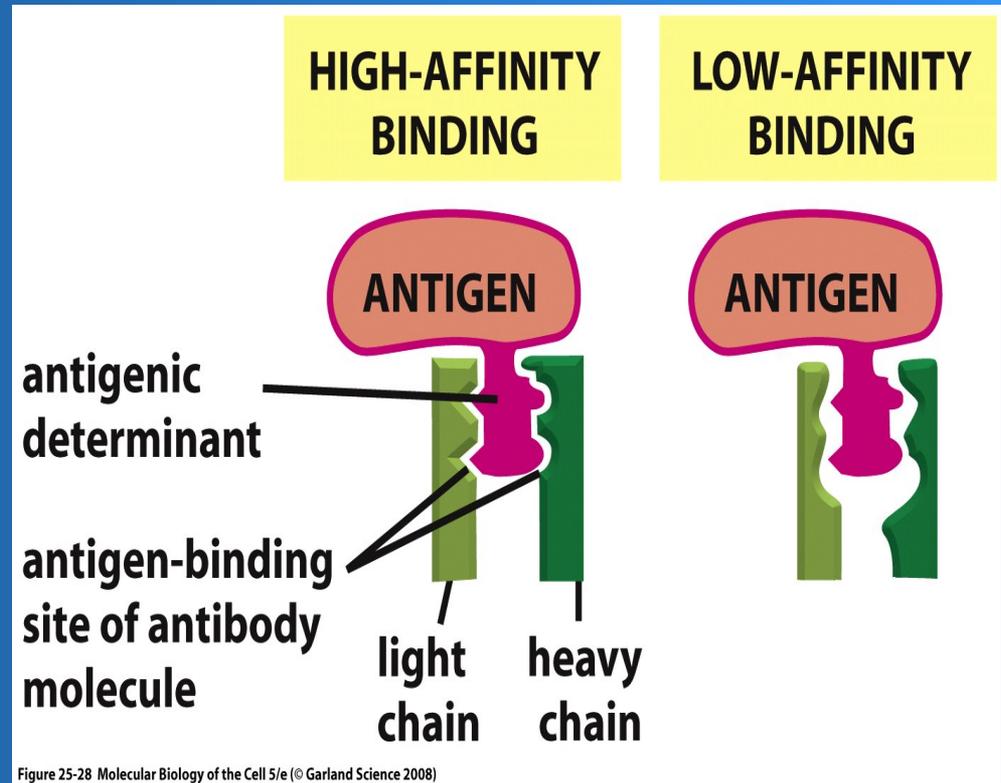
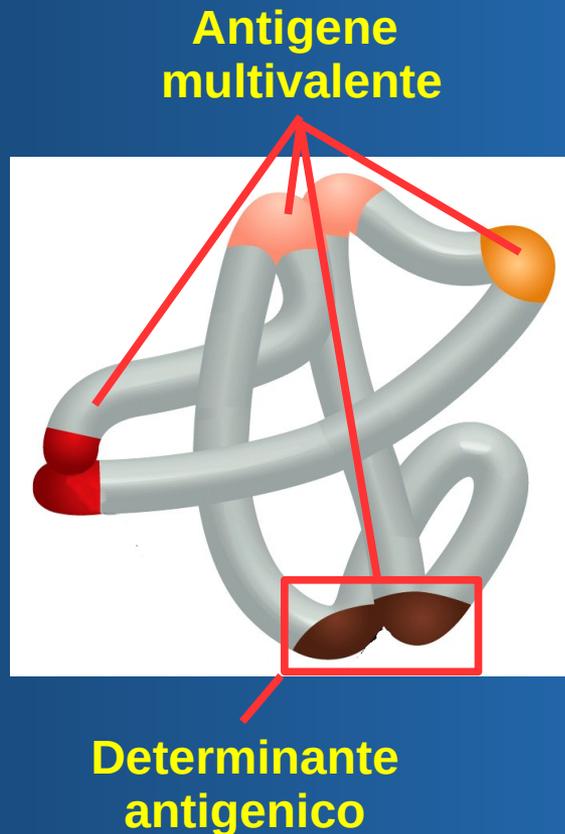
5 – 10 aminoacidi di lunghezza

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# Antigeni ed epitopi

Un antigene può avere uno o più determinanti antigenici (epitopi).

Ogni epitopo stimola cellule B differenti



# Riarrangiamento delle catene leggere

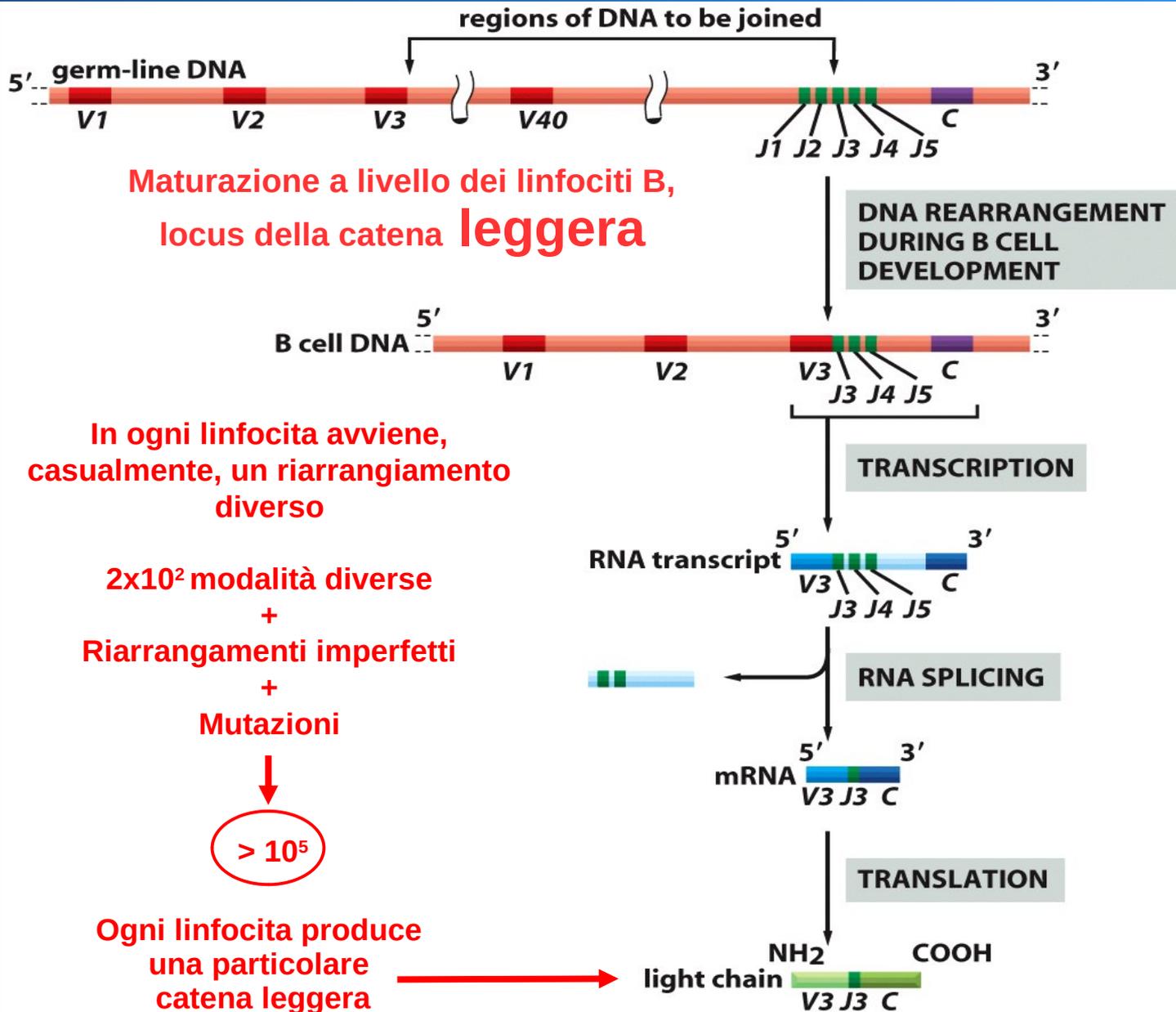


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# Riarrangiamento delle catene pesanti

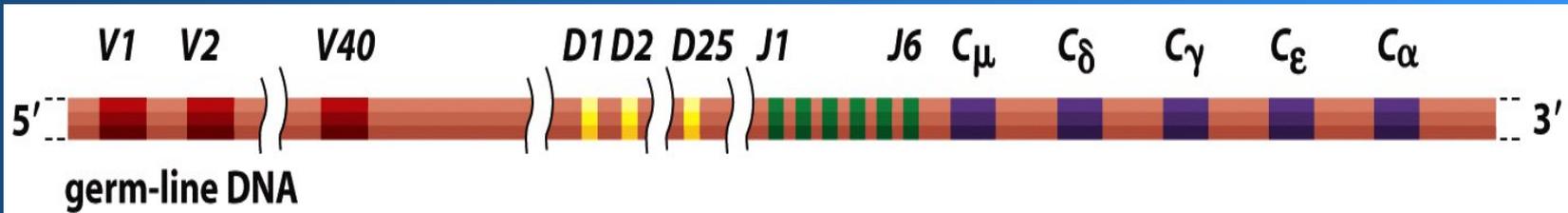


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Maturazione a livello dei linfociti B,  
locus della catena **pesante**

In ogni linfocita avviene,  
casualmente, un riarrangiamento diverso

$6 \times 10^3$  modalità diverse  
+  
Riarrangamenti imperfetti  
+  
Mutazioni →  $10^6 - 10^7$

Ogni linfocita produce una particolare  
catena pesante

# Variabilità delle Ig

$10^5$  catene leggere diverse

che si uniscono a

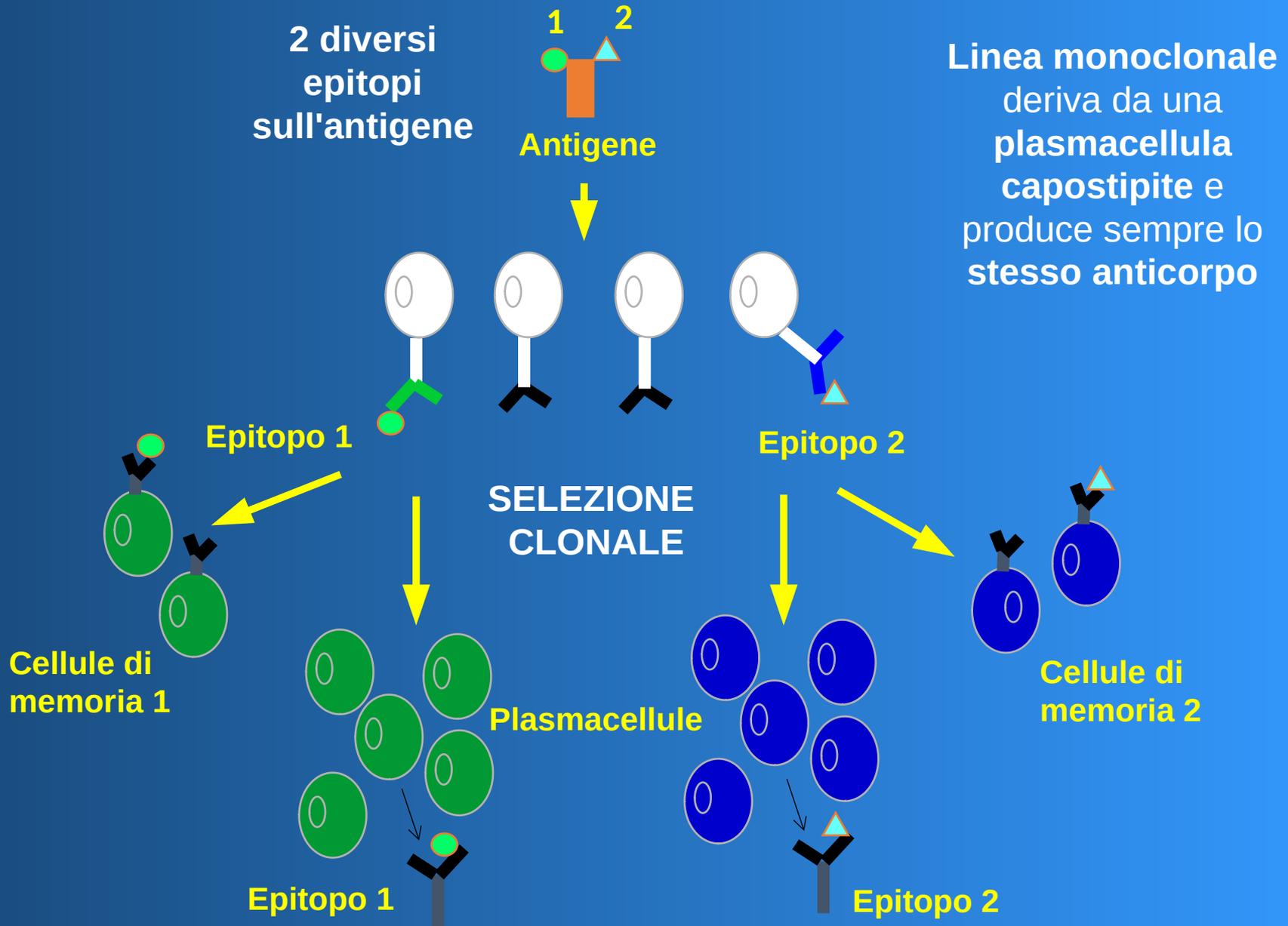
$10^7$  catene pesanti diverse



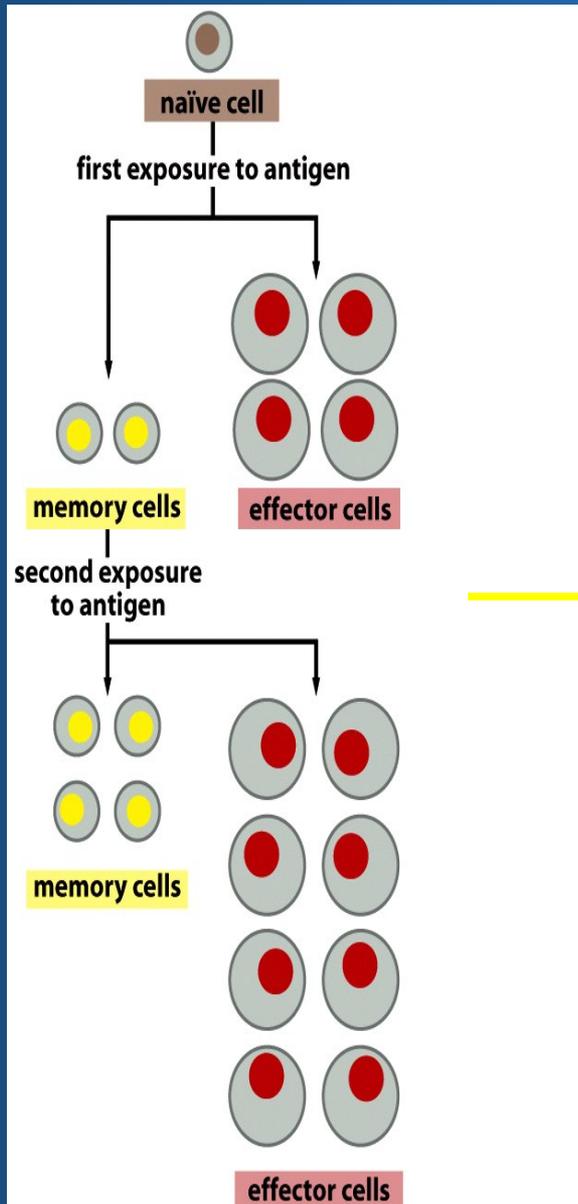
**Diversificazione teorica degli anticorpi maturi  
circa  $10^{12}$**

Molti eventi di ricombinazione non portano alla produzione di anticorpi funzionanti,  
ma la diversificazione reale  
è comunque maggiore di  $10^{10}$

# Risposta policlonale ad un antigene



# Risposta primaria e secondaria



Linfocita mai esposto all'antigene



Primo contatto con l'antigene



Proliferazione e differenziamento



a partire da una cellula  
Poche cellule, risposta lenta



Seconda esposizione allo stesso antigene

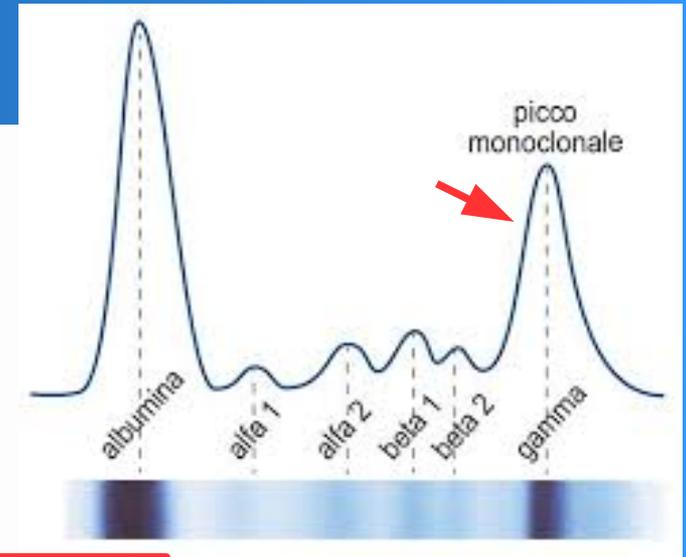
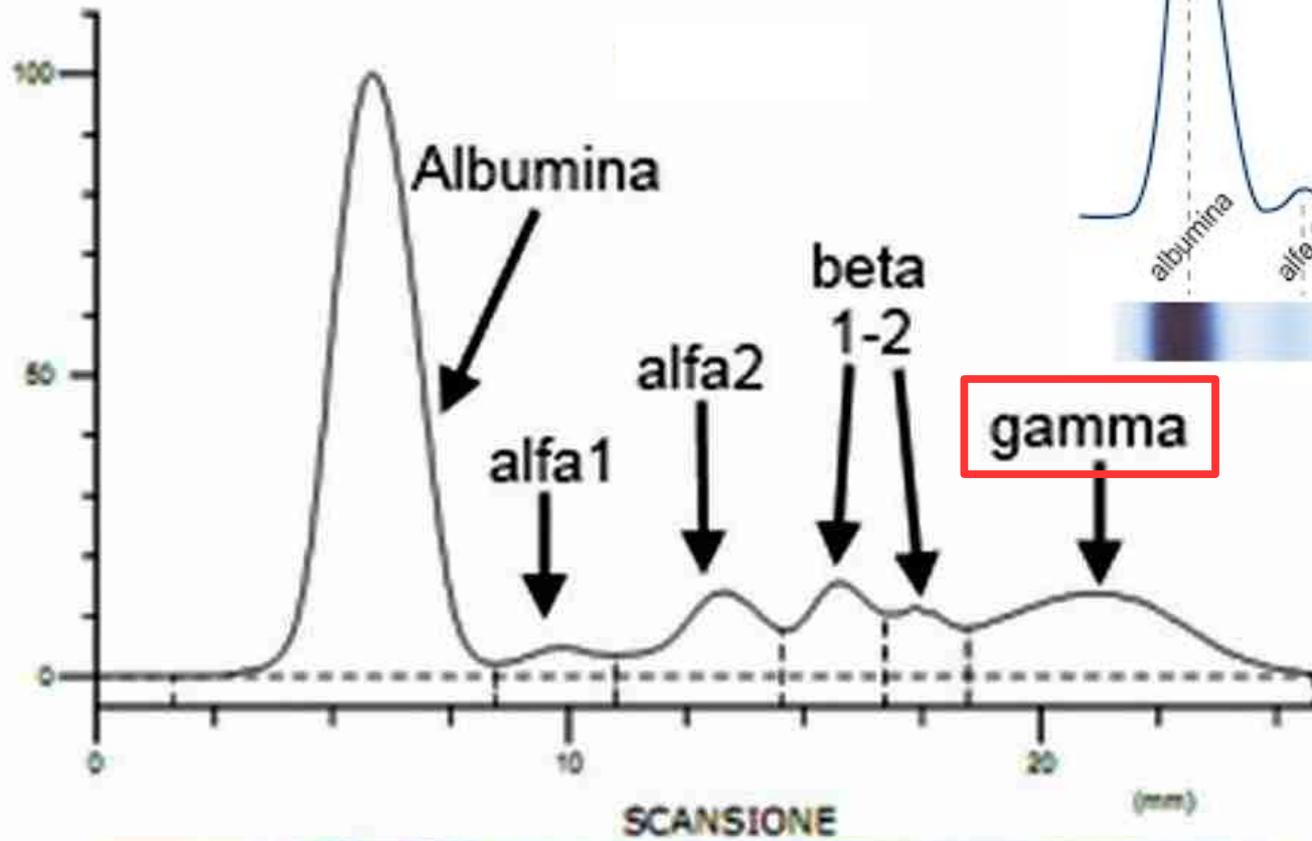


Proliferazione e differenziamento di molte cellule-memoria

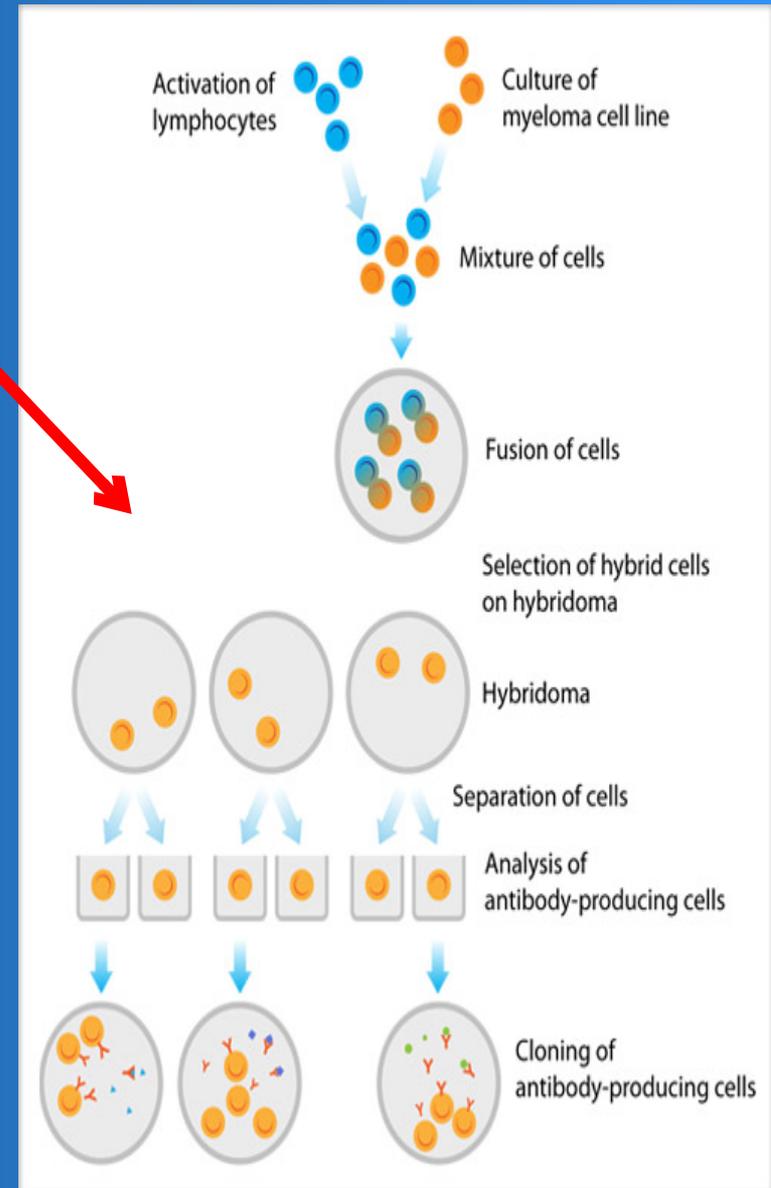
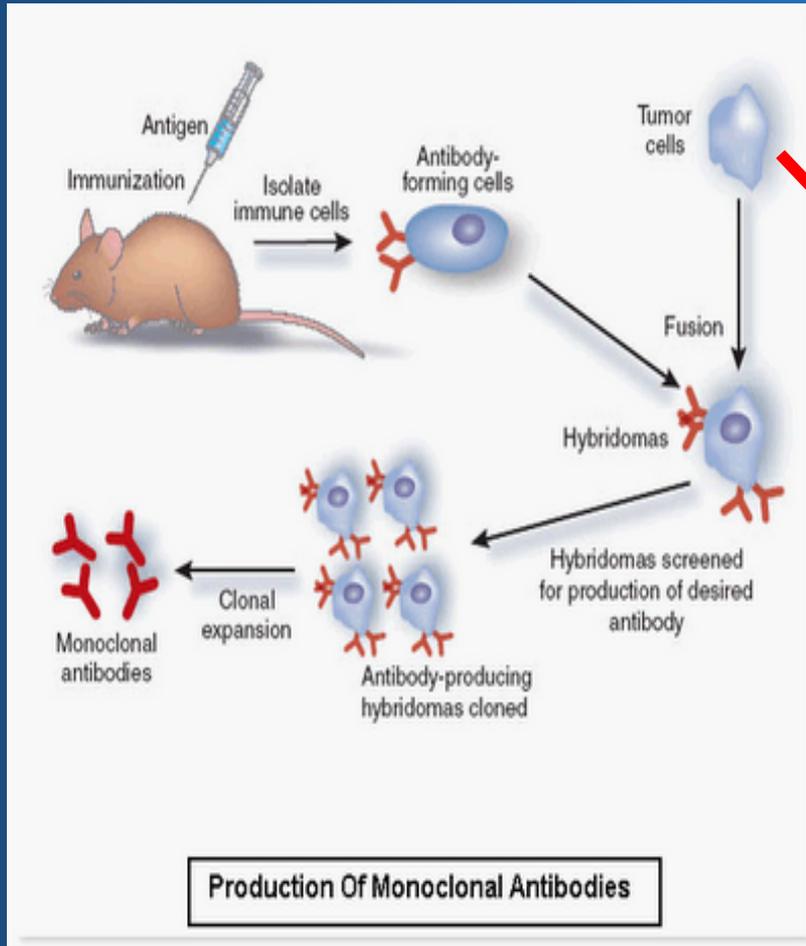


Molte cellule, risposta veloce

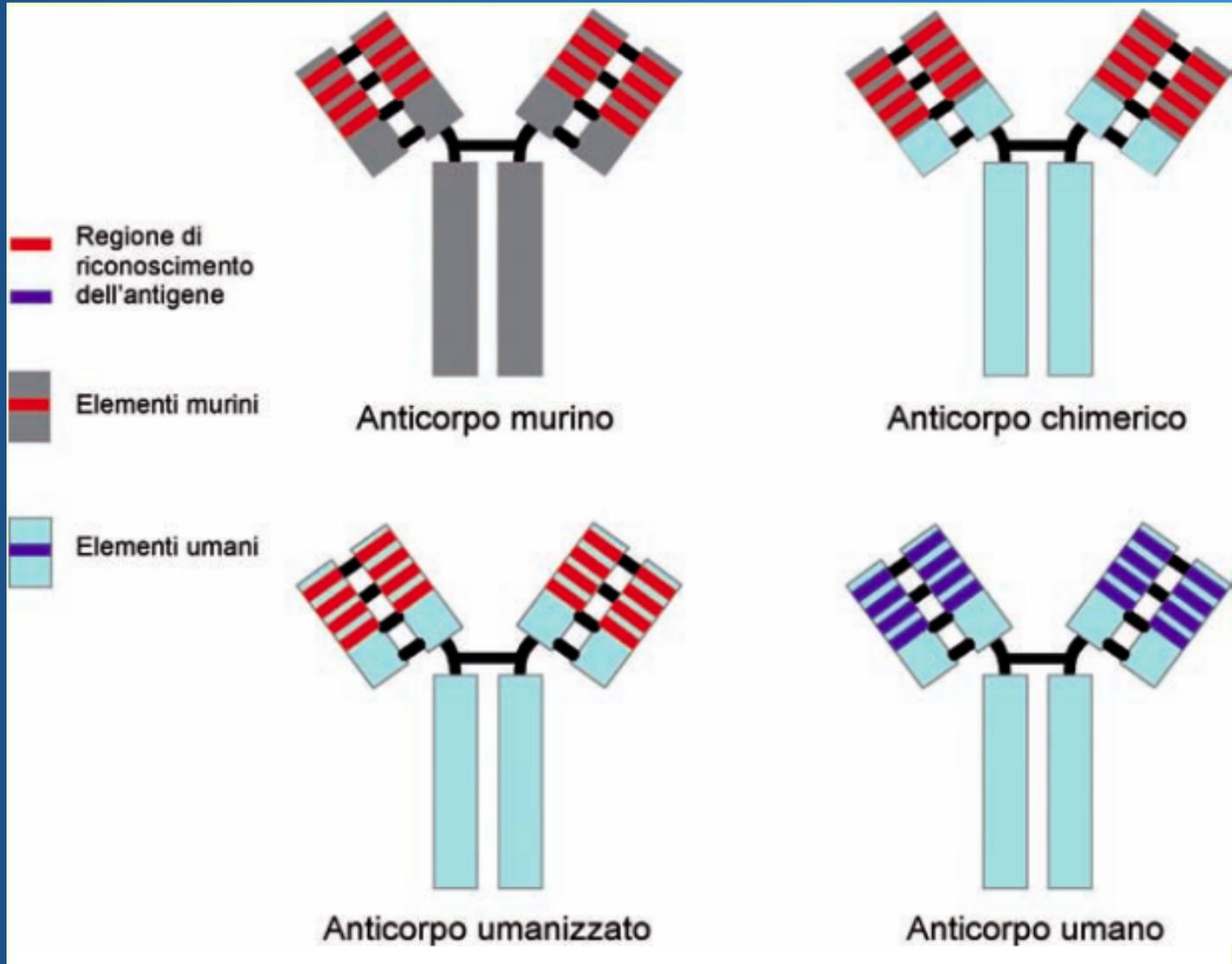
# Tracciato elettroforetico



# Anticorpi monoclonali



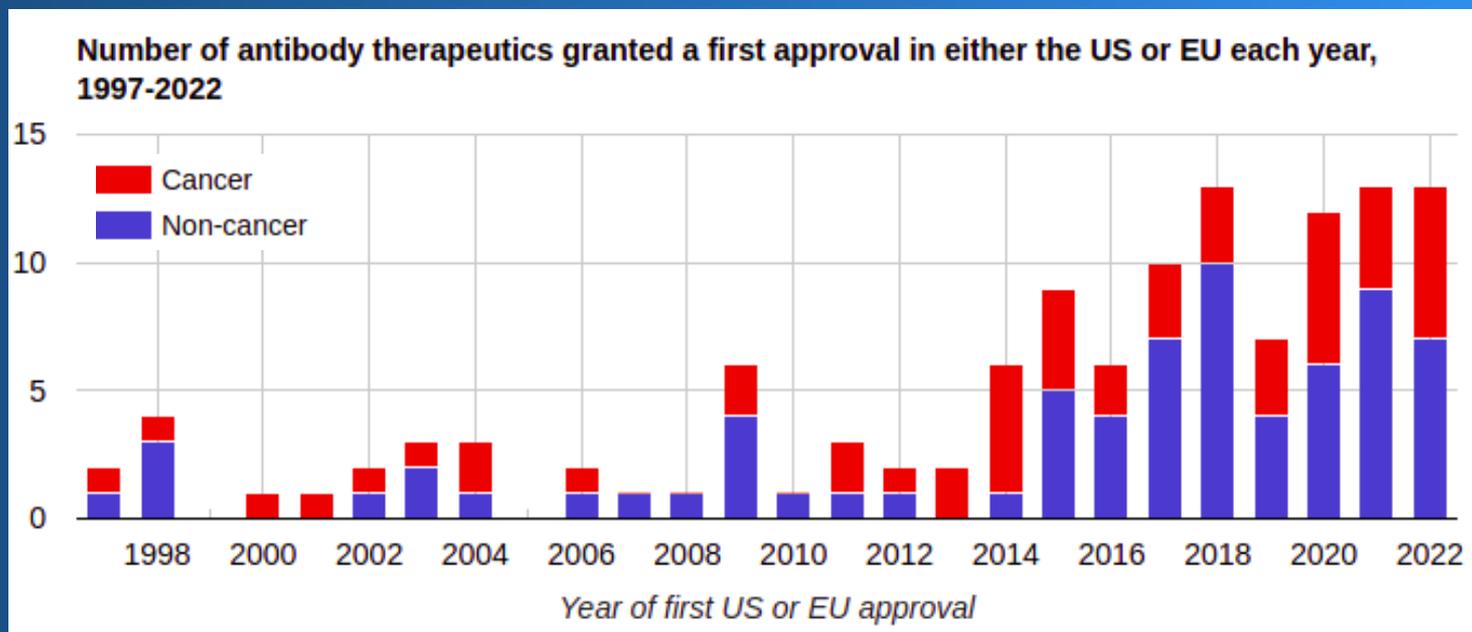
# Umanizzazione degli anticorpi



# Uso degli anticorpi in terapia

- ✓ **Blocco di interazioni ligando-recettore**
- ✓ **Blocco di funzioni proteiche**
- ✓ *Utilizzati soprattutto nelle terapie antitumorali ed in quelle di tipo infiammatorio.*
- ✓ *Usati anche per alcune malattie infettive emergenti*

# Anticorpi terapeutici

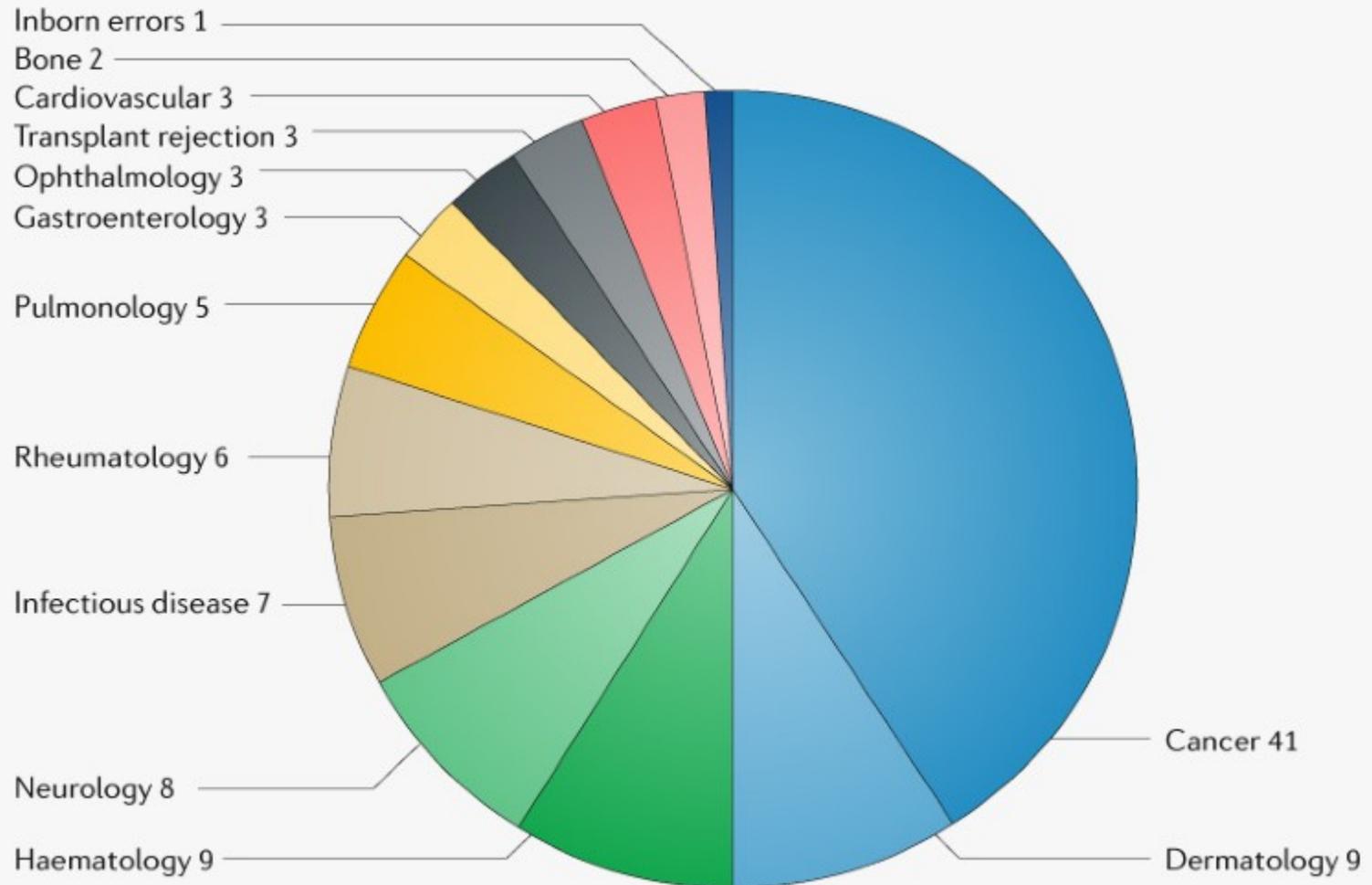


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# Anticorpi terapeutici



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# Anticorpi terapeutici

**Table 1.** Approved therapeutic antibodies.

Year (FDA)	Trade name (Generic)	Type of antibody (Target antigen)	Disease indication	Company
1986	OKT 3 (muromanab-CD3)	Murine (CD3)	Allograft rejection	Ortho Biotech
1994	ReoPro (abciximab)	Chimeric Fab (GPIIb/IIIa)	Adjunct to PTCA	Centocor
1995	Panorex (edrecolomab)	Chimeric (CA17-1A)	Colorectal cancer	GSK/Centocor
1997	Rituxan (rituximab)	Chimeric (CD20)	Non-Hodgkins lymphoma	IDEC
1997	Zenapax (daclizumab)	Humanized (IL2R)	Prevention of kidney transplant rejection	PDL
1998	Herceptin (trastuzumab)	Humanized (Her2/neu)	Metastatic breast cancer	Genentech
1998	Synagis (palivizumab)	Humanized (RSV F)	RSV propylaxis	MedImmune
1998	Simulect (basiliximab)	Chimeric (IL2R)	Prevention of kidney transplant rejection	Norvatis
1998	Remicade (infliximab)	Chimeric (TNF- $\alpha$ )	Rheumatoid arthritis, Crohn's disease	Centocor
2000	Mylotarg (gemtuzumab ozogamicin)	Humanized-calicheamicin(CD33)	CD33-acute myeloid leukemia	Celltech
2001	Campath (alemtuzumab)	Humanized (CD52)	B-cell Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia	Millennium
2002	Zevalin (ibritumomab tiuxetan)	Murine-Y-90 (CD20)	Non-Hodgkins lymphoma	IDEC
2002	Humira (adalimumab)	Human (TNF- $\alpha$ )	Crohn's disease, RA	CAT/BASF
2003	Xolair(omalizumab)	Humanized (IgE)	Asthma	Tanox/Genentech/Novartis
2003	Raptiva (efalizumab)	Humanized (CD11a)	Psoriasis	Xoma/Genentech
2003	Bexxar (tositumomab)	Murine-I-131 (CD20)	Non-Hodgkins lymphoma	Corixa/GSK
2004	Erbitux (cetuximab)	Chimeric (EGFR)	Colorectal cancer	Imclone
2004	Avastin (bevacizumab)	Humanized (VEGF)	CRC, breast, renal, NSCL cancer	Genentech

# Anticorpi terapeutici



anti TNFalpha,  
umanizzato  
per malattie autoimmuni



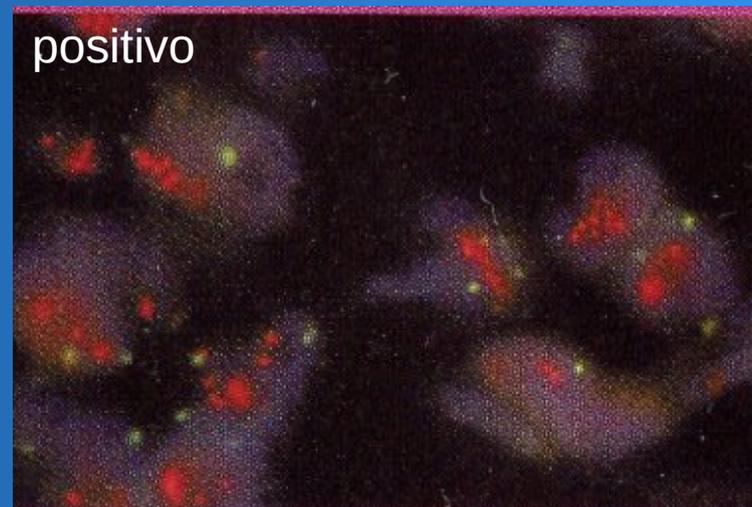
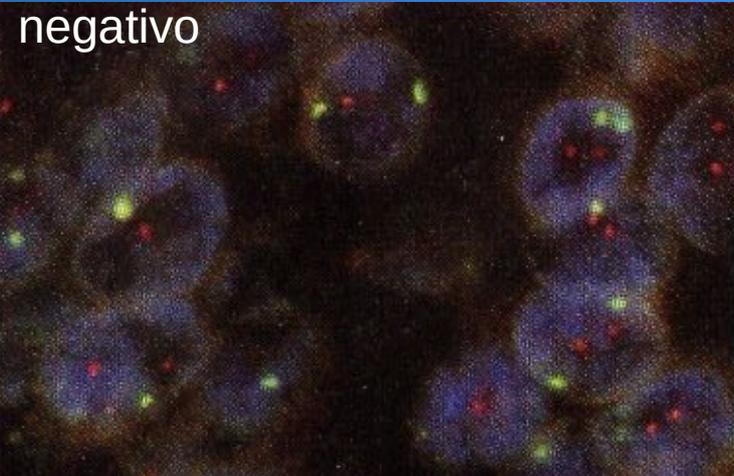
anti HER2,  
umanizzato  
per tumore al seno



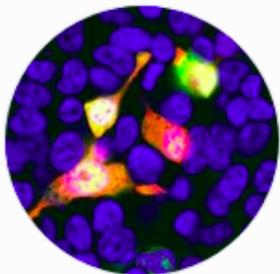
anti VEGF-A  
umanizzato  
per tumori metastatici

# Anticorpi diagnostici

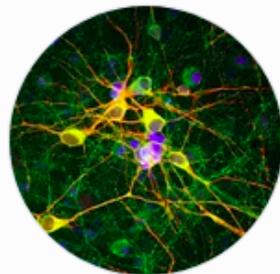
Un gene che codifica per il recettore del fattore di crescita HER2 viene contrassegnato con un marcatore rosso fluorescente in cellule di tumore al seno (*sopra*). Nelle cellule cancerose positive per HER2 (*sotto*) il gene è duplicato moltissime volte, causando la sovrapproduzione di proteine HER2 che provoca un'eccessiva ricezione di segnali di crescita da parte delle cellule.



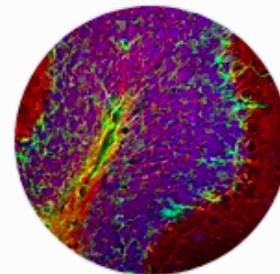
# Anticorpi come strumenti per la ricerca



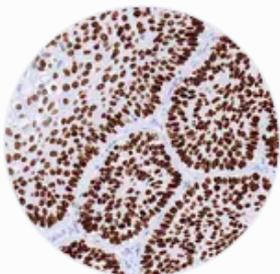
Anticorpi Coniugati



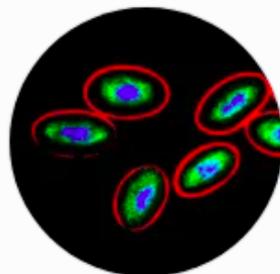
Anticorpi di Dimensione di Prova



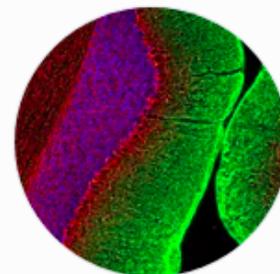
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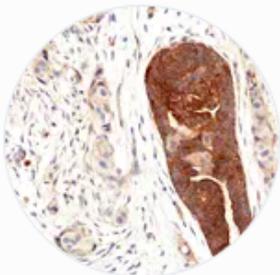
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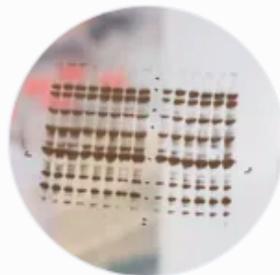
Anticorpi Monoclonali



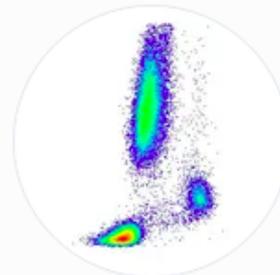
Anticorpi Policlonali



Anticorpi Ricombinanti



Anticorpi Western Blot



Citometria a Flusso