

Bookend 1: FcRN









IgG structure and FcRN





FcRN looks like MHC But groove collapsed so no peptide

FcRN binds Fc C_{H}^{2} and C_{H}^{3} region of IgG Heavy Chain



Polarized Cells



Lumen side: apical

Blood side: basolateral

Two Primary Roles in Newborn and Fetus



Rodents and Mammals

Humans

Steps in IgG passage through placenta



FcRN roles in the Adult

1 & 2) Extend t_{1/2} of IgG and albumin

3) Defend against intestinal infections

4) Maintain immune privilege in CNS

5) Clear kidney filter system



Extension of IgG $t_{1/2}$ by vascular endothelial & APCs



Protects against intestinal pathogens b Antigen FcRN transports IgG from blood lgG to intestinal lumen Intestinal lumen 0 Dendritic cells then might FcRn Enterocyte transport IgG/Ag complexes to lymph to stimulate immune response. Lamina propria Migration to

Draining Lymph Node

Removal of IgG from CNS



Removal of IgG from filter in kidney



Filters macromolecules >70kD preventing them from entering urine

So IgG and Albumin might clog the kidney filters if not removed by the podocyte



IgG residues important for FcRN binding



On FcRN: Glu 117, 132, 135 Asp 137 **Mutations**:

Red: reduce affinity for FcRN **Green**: increase affinity for FcRN

Salt bridges between +Fc and -FcRN



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FcRN Therapeutics

A) Extending life of therapeutic Ab



Engineer Ab so that bind FcRN with higher affinity

But if increase affinity too much, wont let go at pH 7.4

B) Decreasing life of pathogenic Ab

1) Competition with xs IgG



- 2 & 3) FcRN/IgG binding with Ab to beta or FcRN
- 4) XS engineered Ab that binds FcRN w high affinity