

# PATHOLOGY of viral infections

## IMPORTANT clinico-pathological groups:

- Viral hepatitis \* **VHA, B, C, D, E, F, G, H...**
- Viral rashes (exanthemas) **measles, rubella, VZV, 5., 6.**
- Herpesviruses **HSV1,2; VZV, EBV, CMV, HHV8**
- Respiratory viral infections **influ, parainflu, rhino+corona, RSV...**
- Transforming viruses **EBV, HPV, HBV, HTLV, HHV8**
- Intestinal viral infections \* **rota-, parvo-, Norwalk...**
- Haemorrhagic fever \* **dengue, ebola, lassa, ...**
- Neurotropic viruses \* **arbo-, rhabdo-...**
- HIV- AIDS

# Exanthema

## Maculo-papular

- Measles
- Rubella
- Fifth/ Sixth disease

## Vesiculo-pustular

- Varicella/ Zoster
- (variola)
  - macula
  - papule
  - **vesicula** (blister)
  - pustula
  - crust

## Petechial (purpura)

- enteroviruses
- (!! meningococcus, rickettsiae, haemorrhagic fever ...)

# MEASLES

vaccine-preventable illness worldwide

**Etiology:** *measles virus (paramyxovirus)*

**Incidence:** *rare cases in Western countries*

- *population is vaccinated from 1963*

- *developing countries - epidemics*

*(30 mil cases +1 mil deaths/yr)*

**Source:** *infected person*

**Transmission:** *respiratory droplets, high infectivity*

**Incubation period:** *8-14 days (usually 10 days)*

# MEASLES

## PRODRAMES

conjunctivitis  
Koplik's spots

8-10 days

1. viremia

2. viremia

catarrhal pharyngitis

Follicular hyperplasia LN  
+ giant multinucleated cells

Warthin-Finkeldey

## EXANTHEMA

Hypersensitivity reactions against endothelial cells



lymphocytic capillaritis

## COMPLICATIONS

Measles interstitial pneumonia

postinfectious leukoencephalitis  
SSPE

immunosuppression

**Etiology**

***Rubella virus RNA (Toga)***

**Source:**

***Sick person***

**Transmission:**

***respiratory droplets***

***- low infectivity***

***- mild symptoms***

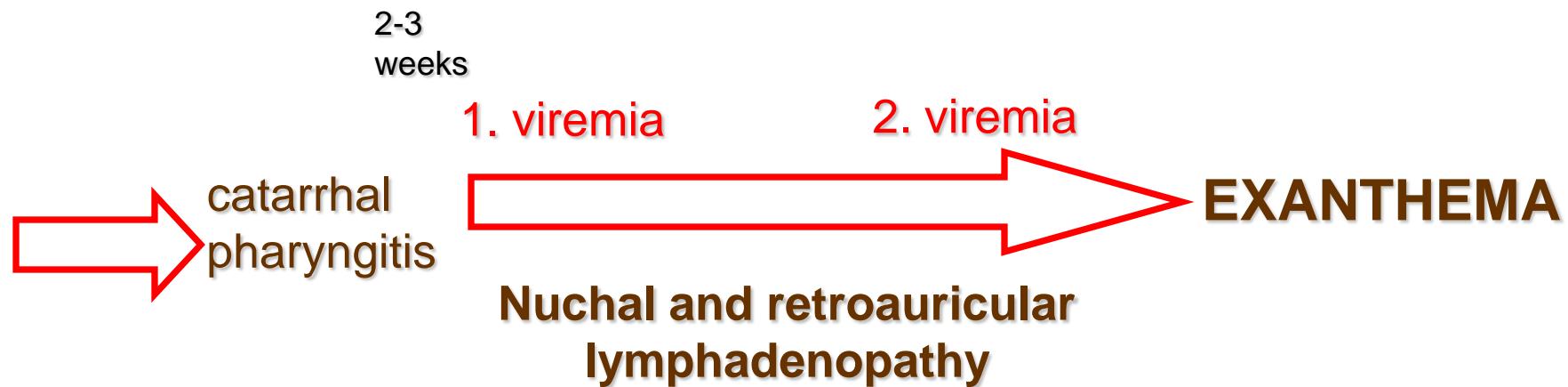
***- often asymptomatic***

**x complication: *Rubella fetopathy***

***- vaccination***

***- Incubation period: 2-3 weeks***

# RUBELLA



*x complication:*

***Rubella fetopathy***

# **Rubella FETOPATHY**

**MICROCEPHALY**

PMR

**Blindness**

Cataracta

Glaucoma

Retinopathy

**Malformations of  
heart**

**Deafness**

**Gregg's syndrome**

# FIFTH DISEASE

## Erythema infectiosum

*Parvovirus B19*

- school children

# SIXTH DISEASE

## Exanthema subitum

*HHV-6 (and HHV-7)*

- infants and toddlers, spring

**fever + rash**

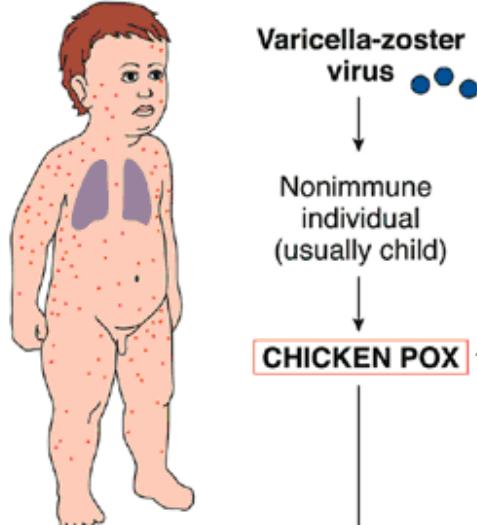
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x100/ yr

common

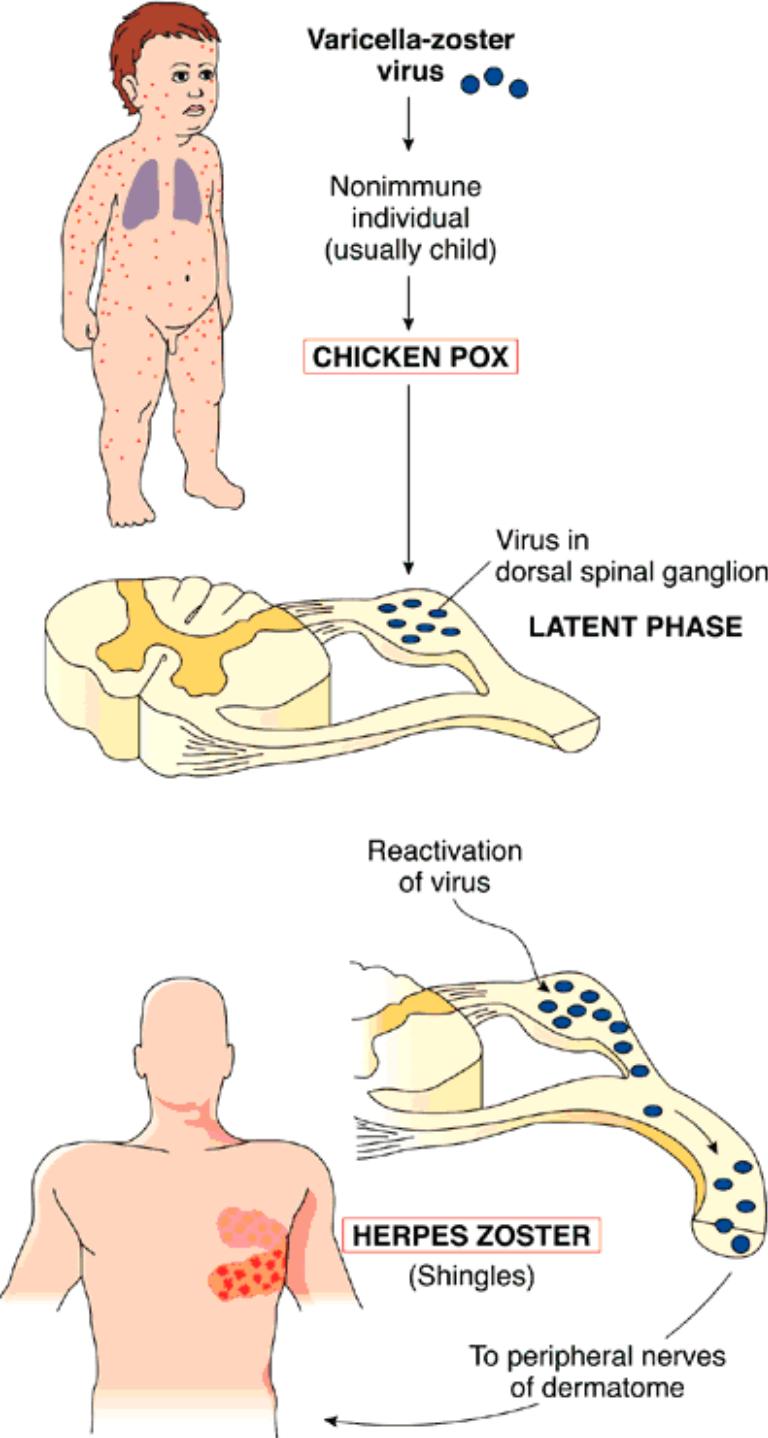
self-limited, rare complications

# COMPLICATIONS



VZV - CHICKEN POX

# VZV - Shingles



Rash + burning + PAIN

# Herpes simplex

contact with secretions

Primary infection

peri/intraaxonal

sensoric ganglia - ggl. Gasser

Latency

stress

sun exposure

cold

menstruation...

Reactivation

Herpes labialis

Herpetic encephalitis

immunodeficiency

Complications

- Herp. hepatitis
- Herp. oesophagitis

## asymptomatic

congenital  
infection  
in utero

vaginal secretions  
breastmilk  
perinatally

saliva, sexual  
intercourse, droplets,  
FEK-oral, iatrogenic  
(transfusion ...)

**Cytomegalic  
inclusion disease  
(CID)**

**Perinatal CMV**  
IS pneumonia + hepatitis

**„CMV mononucleosis“**

**Disseminated  
CMV infection**

**REACTIVATION**  
**immunosuppressed**

- transplantation
- AIDS

- IUGR - abort
- hepatitis - jaundice
- bone marrow - anemia, thrombocytopenia
- necrotizing encephalitis - microcephaly with calcifications
- kidneys, salivary glands ...

# Disseminated CMV infection in immunosuppressed patients

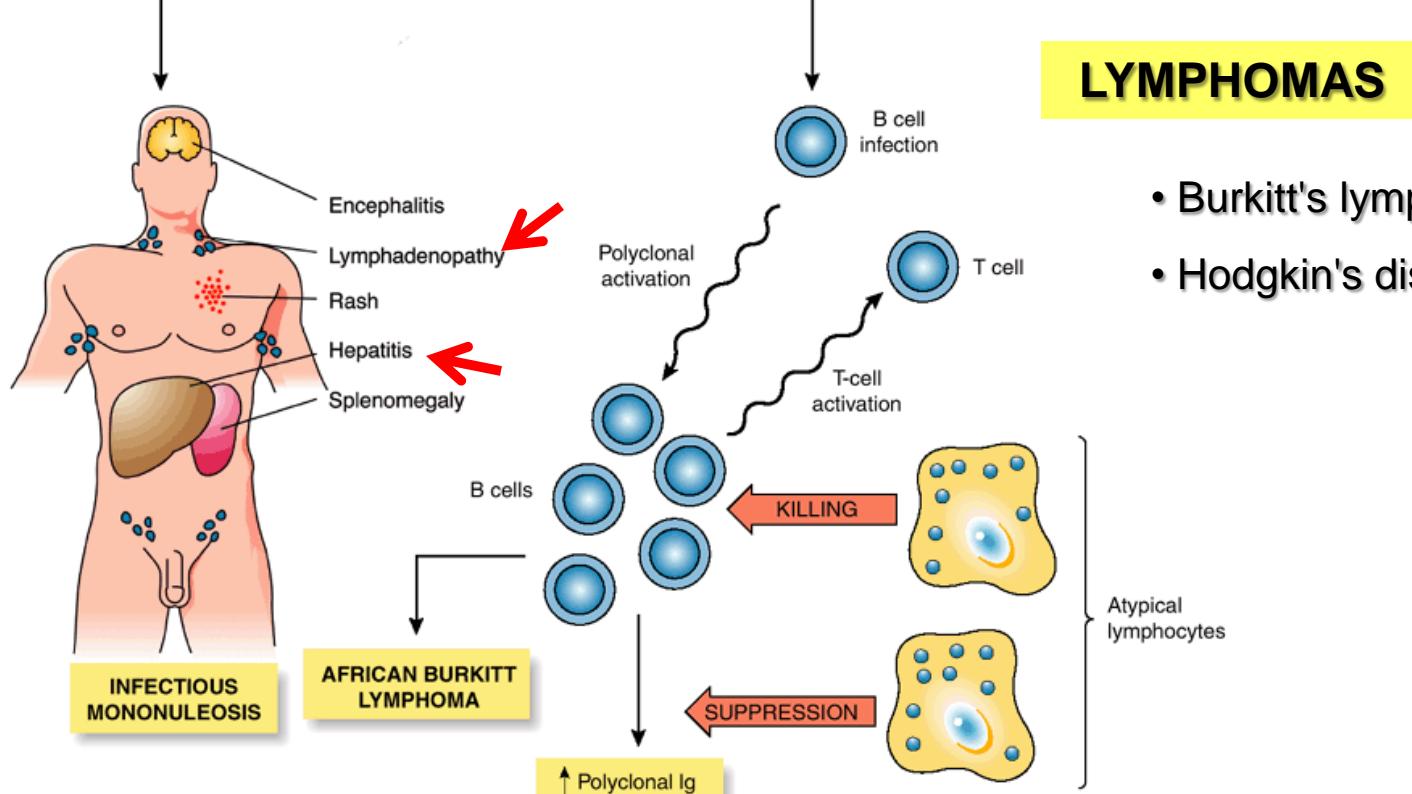
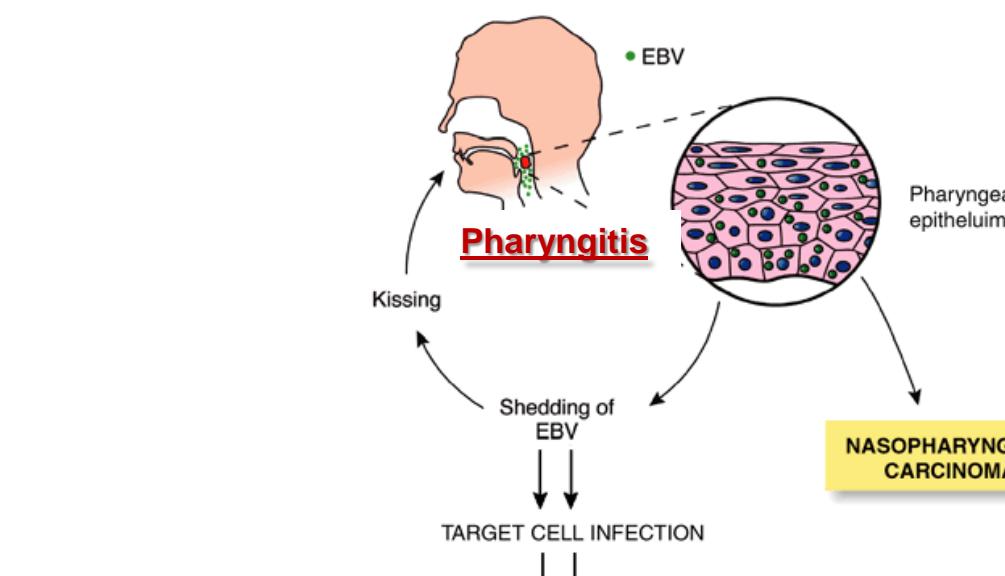
- **Lungs** - IS pneumonia and ARDS
- **Intestine** - necrotizing pseudomembranous enterocolitis - ulceration, diarrhea ...
- **EYE** - CMV retinitis - blindness

brain mostly NOT!

# "Transforming" infections

- EBV
- HPV
- HBV
- HTLV
- Kaposi sarcoma herpesvirus (KSHV/HHV8)

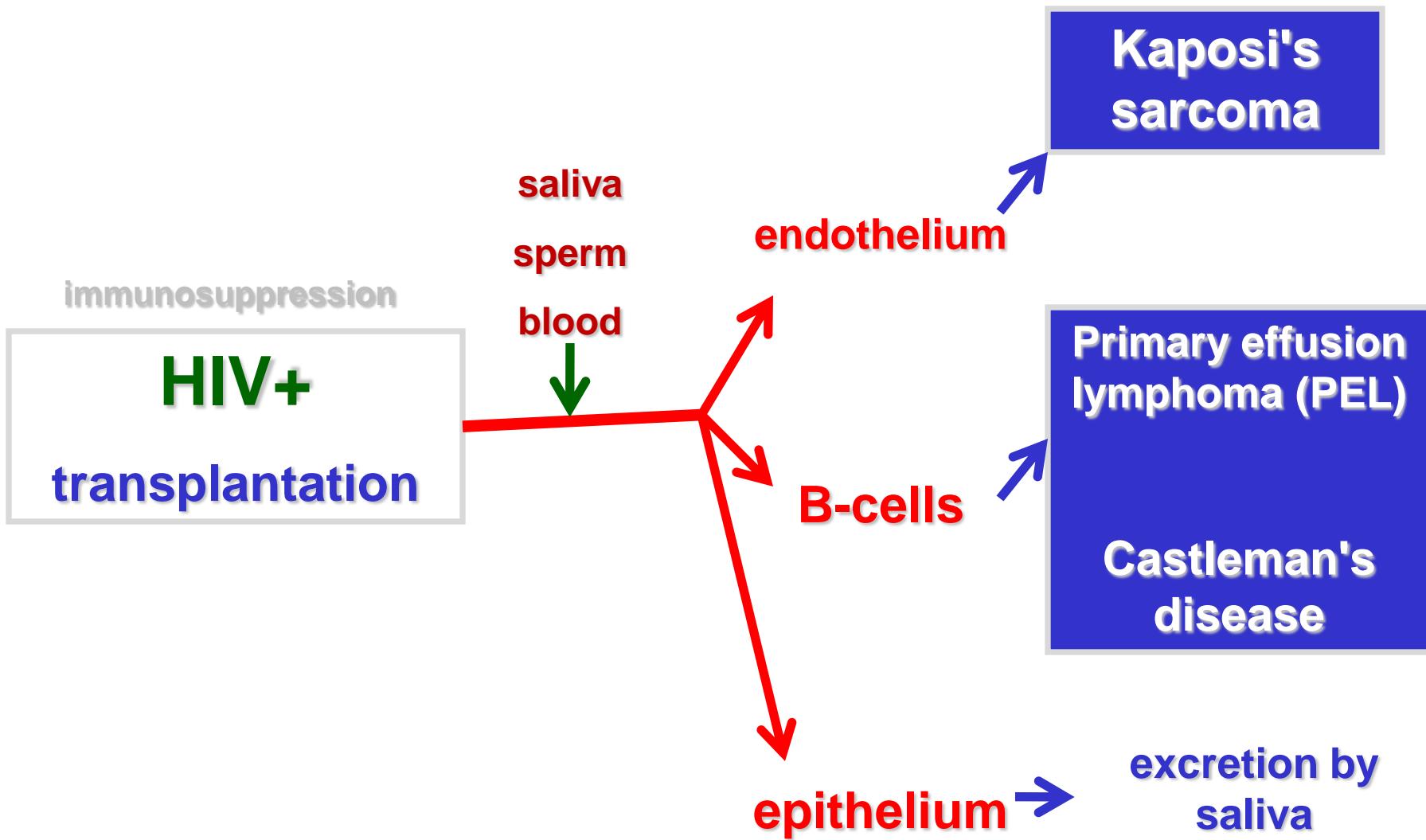
# EBV



Paul Bunnel

- Burkitt's lymphoma
- Hodgkin's disease

Immunocompetent patient → asymptomatic?



- DNA papovavirus
- transmission by direct contact
- infection of the basal layer of the epithelium

types 1, 2, 4

(wart)

**verruca vulgaris, verruca plantaris**

types 6, 10, 11, 40-45

**condyloma acuminatum**

**laryngeal papillomatosis**

types 16, 18, 31

**CIN / VIN / ValN – squamous cell ca**

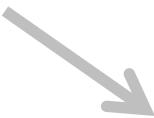
**(5% ca oral cavity, larynx)**

- proliferation of squamous epithelium  
(acanthosis, papillomatosis, hyperkeratosis)
- cytopathic effect - **koilocytosis**
- +/- dysplastic changes (according to HPV type)

# Respiratory viral infection

**rhinoviruses**

**coronaviruses**



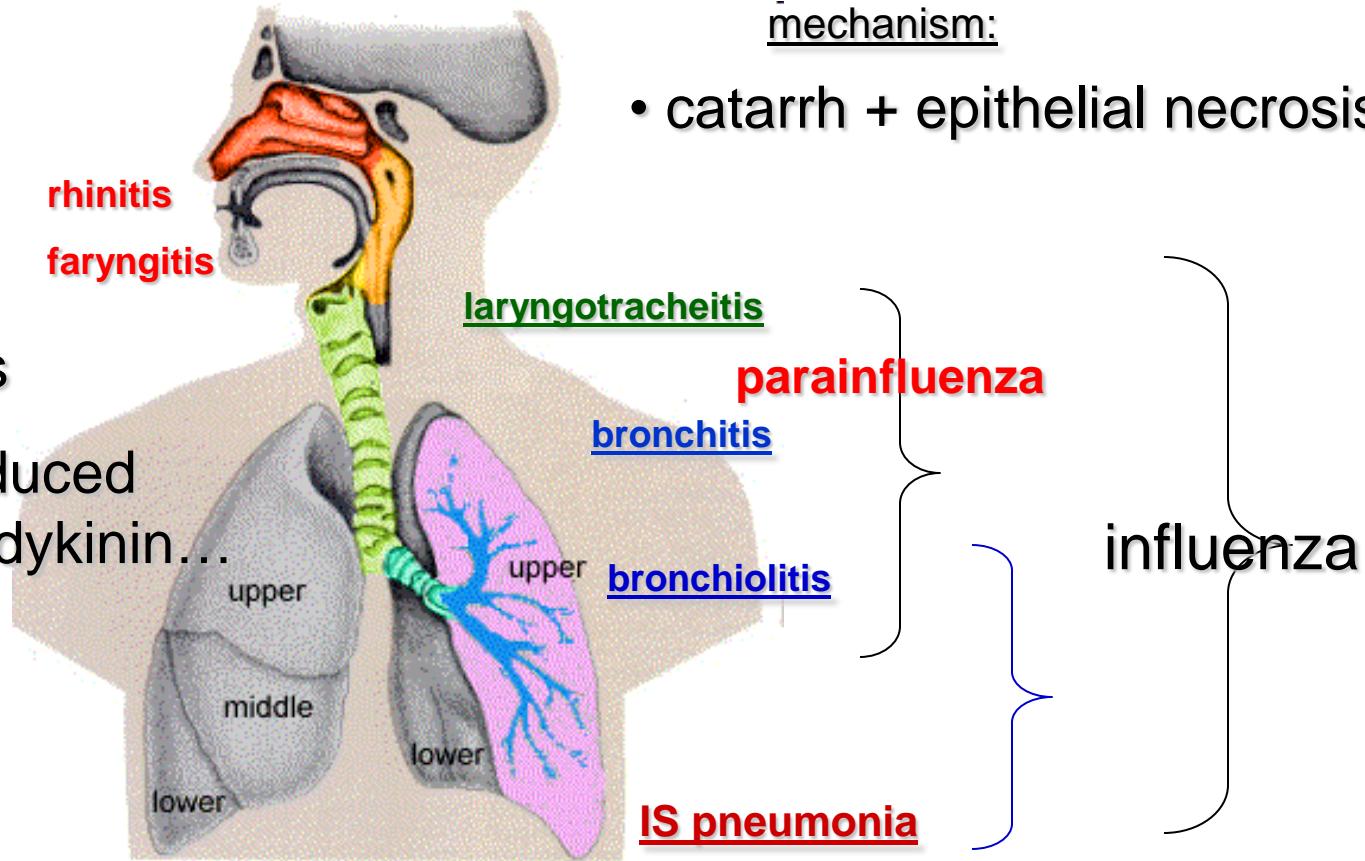
mechanism:

- without necrosis
- chemically - induced production of bradykinin...

complications:

**bacterial superinfection**

- sinusitis
- otitis media

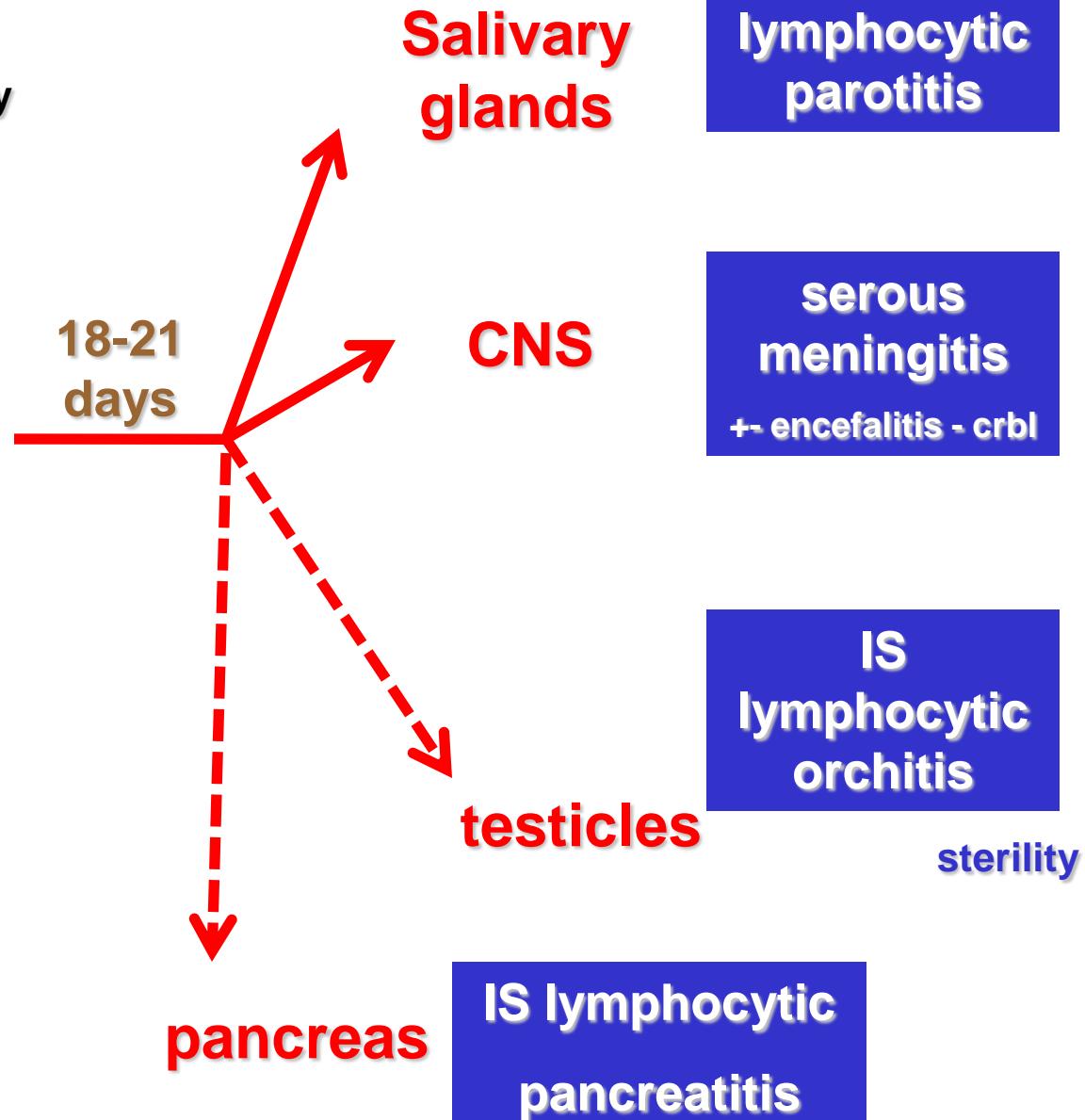


complications:

**bacterial superinfection**  
**bronchopneumonia**

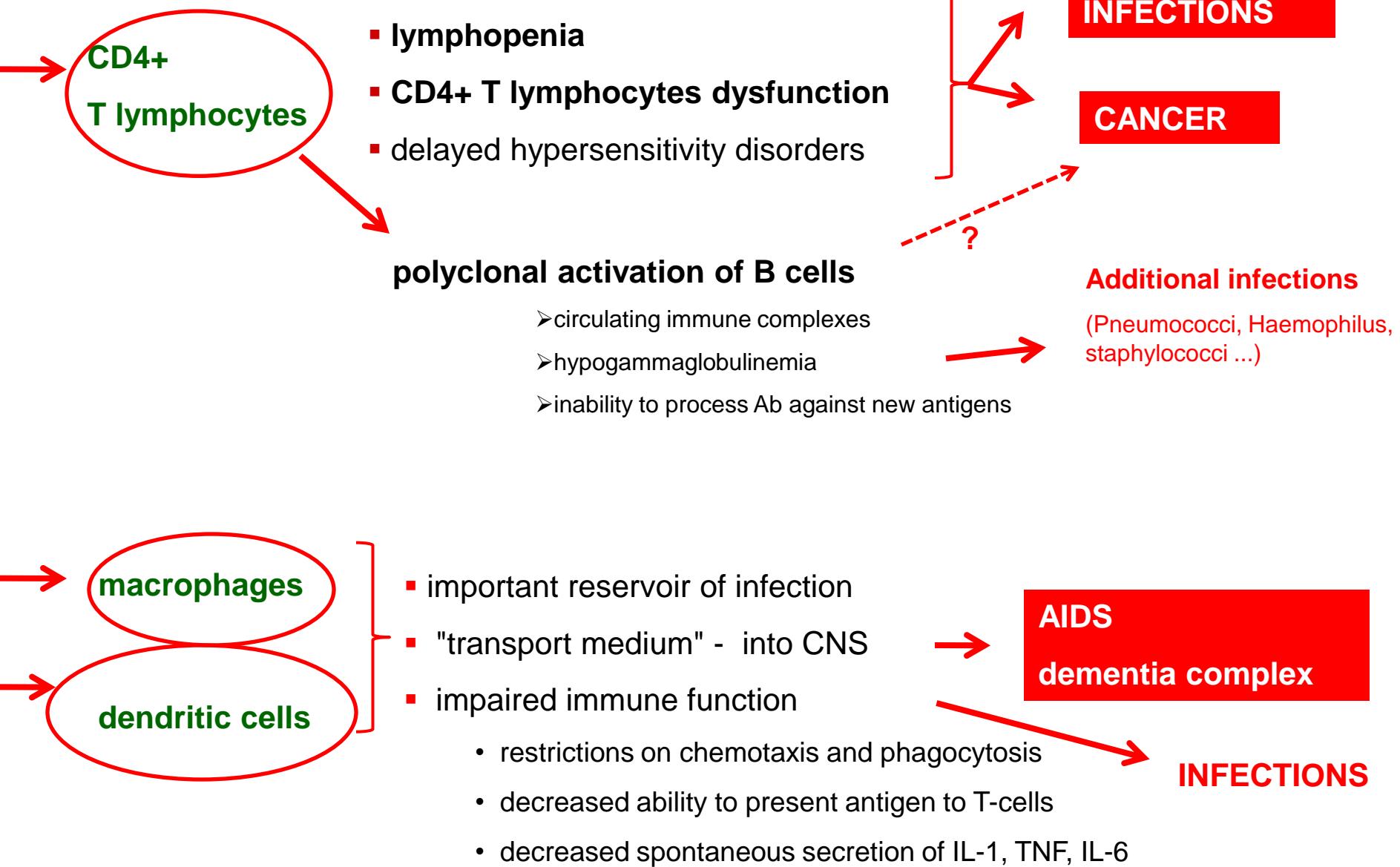
- Children 5-15 years
  - x even adults
- postinf. permanent immunity

Source: sick person  
Transmission: droplets



# HIV / AIDS

## Immuno-etiopathogenesis



## Opportunistic protozoan infections

- **Cryptosporidium** (enteritis - diarrhea)
- **Pneumocystis jiroveci** pneumonia
- **Toxoplasmosis** (necrotizing encephalitis / pneumonitis)

## Mycoses

- **Candidiasis** (superficial and systemic)
- **Cryptococcosis** (meningitis, "cryptococcoma")
- **Histoplasmosis**

## Bacterial infections

- **Mycobakterioses** (TBC + atypical mycobacteriosis)
- **Nocardiosis** (pneumonia, meningitis)
- **Salmonellosis, Legionellosis**

## Viral infections

- **Cytomegalovirus** (IS pneumonia, pseudomembranous enterocolitis, retinitis)
- **Herpes simplex virus** (HSV- oesophagitis, hepatitis; persistent skin lesions)
- **VZV**
- JC virus – **Progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy** (PML)

**HHV-8**

- **Kaposi's sarcoma**

**EBV**

- **B- NHL (hl. extranodal)**
  - primary CNS lymphoma
  - primary effusion lymphoma
  - ...

**HPV**

- **ca of uterine cervix**
- **ca ani**

Neurological complications

AIDS DEMENTIA COMPLEX



## ENCEPHALITIS

toxoplasmosis, PML, HSV, VZV, (CMV)

+

## Lymphoma of brain

+

## Direct cytopathic effect of the virus

(x not encephalitis - neuronal degeneration + apoptosis)

macrophages - infection of glial cells - cytokines - degeneration of neurons

# HIV / AIDS

Clinical stage

↓  
2-3 weeks

## ACUTE RETROVIRAL SYNDROME

flu-like / mononucleosis-like syndrome

2-3 weeks

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## ASYMPTOMATIC INFECTION

## PERSISTENT GENERALIZED LYMPHADENOPATHY

↓  
Latency

Early symptomatic stage

B

↓  
Progression

Late symptomatic stage

= AIDS

(constitutional disease, neurological manifestations, tumors, secondary infections)

C - AIDS