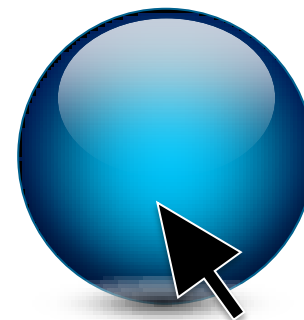


HHV6 and HHV7 Similarities and Differences



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HHV-6/HHV-7

- Roseolovirus genus of β herpesvirinae subfamily
- Genomes are 160-162kb in size
- HHV-6 and HHV-7 share limited nucleotide homology and antigenic cross-reactivity
- 90-99% of adults had been infected by both viruses
- HHV-6A and HHV-6B u 100 share 79.9% identity



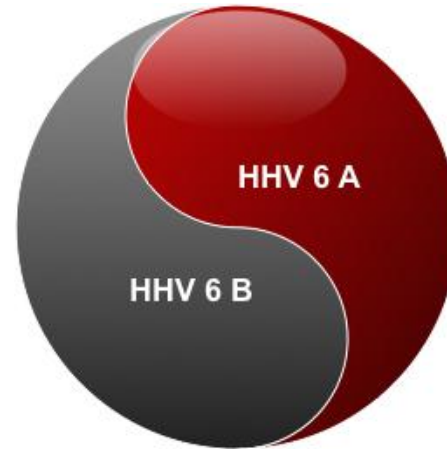
HHV- 6 Cell Tropism

- Lymphocytes -
- CD4+, activated CD4 + cells appear to be the preference target for fully permissive replication
- CD8+- HHV-6A, but not HHV-6B
- NK cells- HHV6A/B
- Mo- HHV6A/6B
- CD34+ - HHV6A could infect, but not produce viral progeny
- Epithelial cells
- Endothelial cells
- Fibroblasts



HHV-6 Cell Tropism

- Oligodendrocytes
- Fetal astrocytes
- HHV6A have greater neurotropism than HHV6B
- HHV6B – Mo/Macrophages more than CD4+ cells, epithelial cells that line tonsillar crypts



HHV-6

- CD 46 – (glycoprotein)- cellular receptor
- Is expressed on the surface of all nucleated cells
- CD46 is a receptor for complement

HHV- 6 Immunomodulation

- Downregulates CD3 in infected cells
- Downregulates CD46 in infected cells
- Upregulates chemokine receptor CCR7 in infected cells
- Downregulates CXCR4
- Downregulates MHC class I in infected dendritic cells
- Reduces IL-2, IFN γ , TNF α , IL-1 β

HHV- 6 Immunomodulation

- Downregulates proliferation
- Downregulates IL-15, therefore NK cell cytotoxicity
- Stimulate IL-10, IL-12 expression

HHV6 Persistence In The Host

- In the salivary glands (transmission way)
- Mo
- Bone marrow progenitors
- HHV6A more frequently detected in CSF
- HHV6B more frequently detected in PBMC compared with HHV6A, HHV6B is prevalent in tonsils

HHV-7

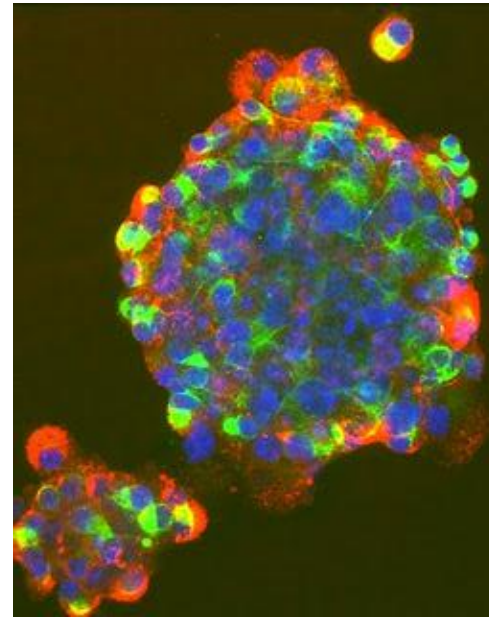
- Share with HHV6 30- 60% amino acid sequences
- HHV7 has been detected in over 50% of PBMC (lymphoid and non lymphoid cells)
- Latency in CD4+ cells
- CD4 is the receptor for HHV7
- HHV7 is detectable in salivary glands, but cultured from saliva only HHV6B and HHV7

HHV7

- HHV7 primary infection most often occurs after HHV6 infection
- Roseola is less frequent than in HHV6 infection

Stem Cells

- HHV6/7 affect stem cell growth
- HHV7 – inhibits the growth of granulocyte, monocyte, erytroid, megacarocyte progenitors
- HHV6-has less effect on progenitors, inhibits more differentiated progenis.
- HHV-6 inhibit ability to respond to growth factors- GMCSF, IL-3, block the ability of monocytes differentiate to macrophages



T Lymphocytes

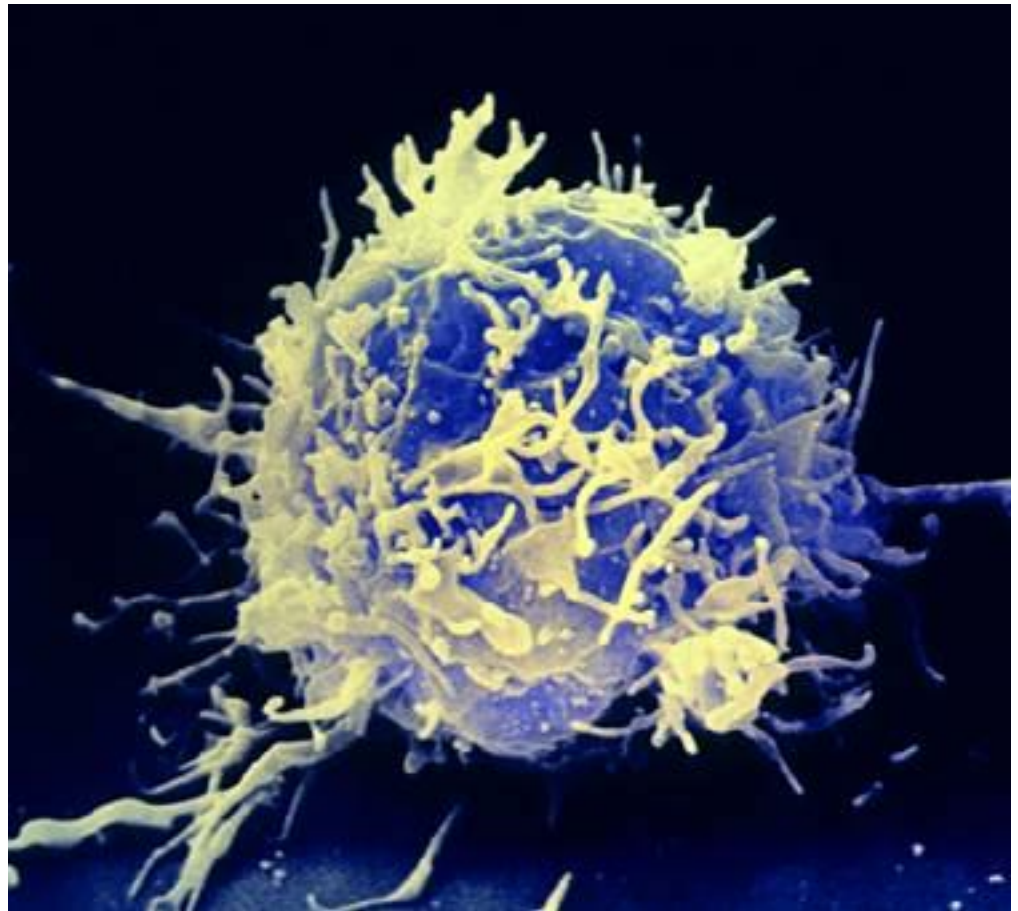
- HHV6A can induce cell fusion via CD46 receptor in the absence of viral protein synthesis.
- HHV7-induces formation of giant multinucleated CD4 T cells, possibly due to polyploidization of infected cells because of interrupted cell cycle.
- HHV6A/B affects almost all major lymphoid cellular subsets including CD4+ and CD8+ positive T cells.
- HHV6A- replicates and kills CD4+ , CD8 + cells equally

T Lymphocytes

- HHV 6B predominantly replicates and depletes CD4+ cells
- CD4+ is upregulated after HHV6A/6B infection
- CD3 was downregulated only in infected cells
- HHV6A –showed a stronger effect on CD3 expression in CD4 Ly than HHV6B
- HHV7 uses CD4 as its cellular receptor, CD4 but not CD 3 expression is reduced after HHV7 infection

T Lymphocytes

- HHV6/HHV7 infected Ly lose their ability to proliferate and to kill virus infected cells



HHV-6/HHV-7 clinical onset

- Acute febrile disease of infants
- Fever for few days



- Maculopapular rash that resolves spontaneously (exanthema subitum, roseola infantum)

HHV-6/HHV-7 clinical onset

Primary infection may give:

- Otitis, gastrointestinal or respiratory distress- vomiting, diarrhea, hepatitis (hepatosplenomegaly), cough, pneumonitis, myocarditis, seizures, myelosuppression
- HHV-7 – fever, (with or without) rash, mimic HHV6
- Primary infection in adults rare/ symptoms severe

HHV-6/HHV-7 clinical onset

- Primary infection
- Persistence
- Reactivation/immunodeficiency

transplantation, tumor, HIV/AIDS, myeloma, kaposi sarkoma,

hr. fatigue syndrom, fibromialgia, temporal lobi epilepsy, MS, Graves disease

Ig M ab

- Develop after 5-7 days onset of clinical symptoms, reached they titers in 2-5 weeks,

- Dissapear after 2 month post infection

- HHV7 primary infection of HHV6 naive individuals induces IgM ab that can neutrolize
- both HHV6 and HHV7 –there is no IgM response to either virus when HHV7 infection follows HHV6

First

Second

Third

Ig G ab

- Appears 10 days till 2 weeks after onset of clinical symptoms, remain at measurable levels for many years
- HHV6 specific IgG4 was detected in all bone marrow transplant recipients-
- Marker of HHV6 reactivation????

HHV6 and HHV7 similarities

- Both are related to subfamily of Herpesviridae
- Genetic content and biological properties are similar
- Both live in humans
- The main transmission way is through saliva
- Both causes infection in early childhood
- After primary infection latency is established
- Reactivation is caused by immunosuppression
- Reactivation result depend on immunodeficiency degree

HHV6 Differencies

- There are 2 subtypes- HHV6A, HHV6B
- HHV6 binds to CD46
- Replication in salivary glands are observed for HHV6B, but not for HHV6A, it is more neurotropic
- Early childhood infections are caused by HHV6B
- HHV6A is related to adults primary infection and is more neurotropic –related to central nervous system disorders

HHV7

- HHV7 binds to CD4
- Causes infection in early childhood, later than HHV6B
- Clinically mimics HHV6 B infection

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