



Regulatory T Cells (T regs)

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Regulatory T Cells
T regs

are
CD4 positive
CD25 positive
They also express FOXP3
It is a Transcription factor
Forkhead Box P3
(FOX P3)

Old term was
Suppressor T Cells

They prevent Autoimmunity

Peripheral tolerance to self antigens

Biomarkers expressed are
CD4
CD25
FOX P3

TGF Beta is essential for
Reg T Cells to differentiate to Naive CD4 Cells

Modulation of T reg Cells can be used in the treatment of

- 1 Cancers
- 2 Autoimmune Diseases
- 3 wound healing
- 4 to facilitate Organ Transplant

Regulatory T Cells are increased in

1 infections

HIV

TB

Malaria

Leishmaniasis

2 Regulatory T Cells are dysfunctional in

Amyotrophic lateral Sclerosis

Low FOXP3

3 Pregnancy

Regulatory T Cells are increased during normal pregnancy

They protect the fetus from maternal Immune response

In pre eclampsia Reg T Cells are reduced in number

4 Cancers

Increased number of Regulatory T Cells in solid cancers like breast cancer. colorectal cancer.

Ovarian cancer and Non Hodgkins Lymphoma

5 genetic deficiency of the gene encoding FOXP3 in humans and mice

Patients develop fatal severe Autoimmune diseases

IPEX Syndrome

Immune dysregulation

Polyendocrinopathy

Entetopathy

X linked

IPEX

Autoimmunity in the first year of life

Watery Diarrhoea

Eczema , dermatitis

Endocrinopathy

Insulin Dependent Diabetes Mellitus

Coombs positive Hemolytic Anemia

Autoimmune thrombocytopenia

Autoimmune Neutrogena

Tubular nephropathy

The males die in the first year of life due to sepsis

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