



# 炎症与发育早期癫痫发生 研究进展

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## 提纲

1. 癫痫及癫痫发作、分类及病因学
2. 未成熟大脑的癫痫发生：临床与基础研究
3. 炎症与癫痫易感
4. 治疗策略
5. 炎症介导的超兴奋机制





# 1. 癫痫与癫痫发作

癫痫

Epilepsy

- 以持续存在的反复癫痫发作的易感性和由此引起的神经生物学、认知、心理学及社会方面后果的一种脑部疾病。

癫痫发作

Epileptic Seizures

- 是指脑部神经元异常过度放电引起的突然的、短暂的症状或体征（是一种临床症状）

癫痫综合征

Epilepsy syndrome

- 在癫痫这一组疾病中,某些类型可以确定为独立的疾病类型,称之为癫痫综合征: West综合征, Lennox-Gastaut综合征





## 不同的年龄组常见病因

新生儿及婴儿期	先天以及围产期因素（缺氧、窒息、头颅产伤）、遗传代谢性疾病、皮质发育异常所致的畸形等
儿童以及青春期	特发性（与遗传因素有关）、先天以及围产期因素（缺氧、窒息、头颅产伤）、中枢神经系统感染、脑发育异常等
成人期	头颅外伤、脑肿瘤、中枢神经系统感染性因素等
老年期	脑血管意外、脑肿瘤、代谢性疾病、变性病等





# 1、癫痫与癫痫发作

## Neonatal Epileptic Seizures

- 28 d (full term infants) or 44wk gestational age (preterm).
- the most frequent neurological problem
- electrographic seizure:  
sudden, repetitive, evolving; >2 mV and 10s

### Main cause of seizure

- 围产期窒息
- 感染
- 代谢异常
- 高热

### Main conflicting issues

- whether seizures in newborns can plant the roots for epileptogenesis
- cause long-term deficits





# 1. 癫痫与癫痫发作

## Incidence of Neonatal Epileptic Seizures

Study	Seizure diagnosis	Incidence (/1000 LB)	VLBW (/1000 LB)	Type of study
Holden et al. <sup>6</sup>	Clinical	5.0	NA	Prospective
Lanska et al. <sup>7</sup>	Clinical	3.5	57.5	Retrospective
Lanska and Lanska <sup>8</sup>	Clinical	2.4	9.4	Retrospective
Saliba et al. <sup>9</sup>	Clinical	1.8	19	Retrospective/prospective
Ronen et al. <sup>10</sup>	Clinical	2.6	13.5 (<2500 g)	Prospective
Glass et al. <sup>11</sup>	Clinical	0.95	NA	Retrospective

VLBW, very low birth weight; LB, live births.



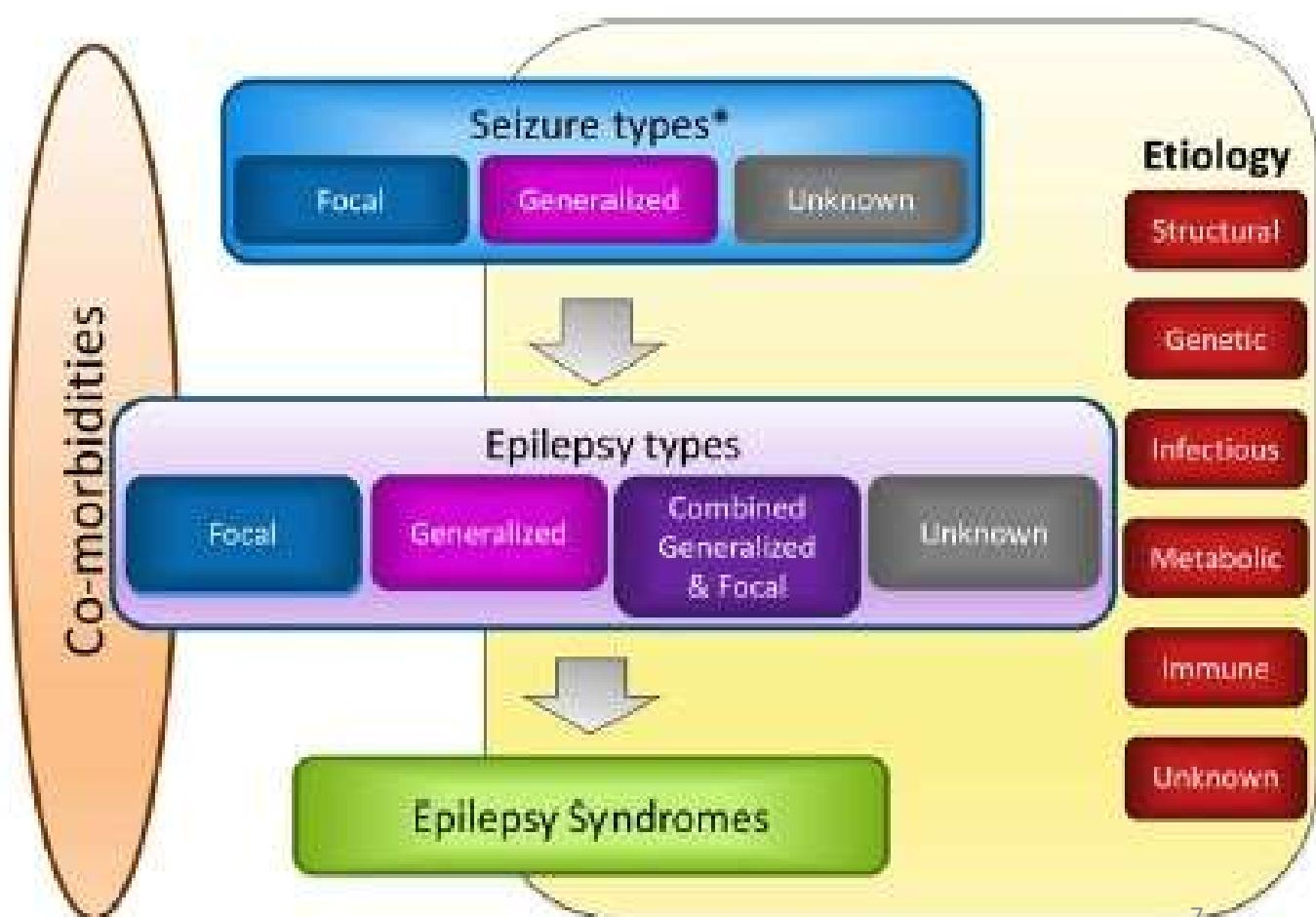


# Classification 分类

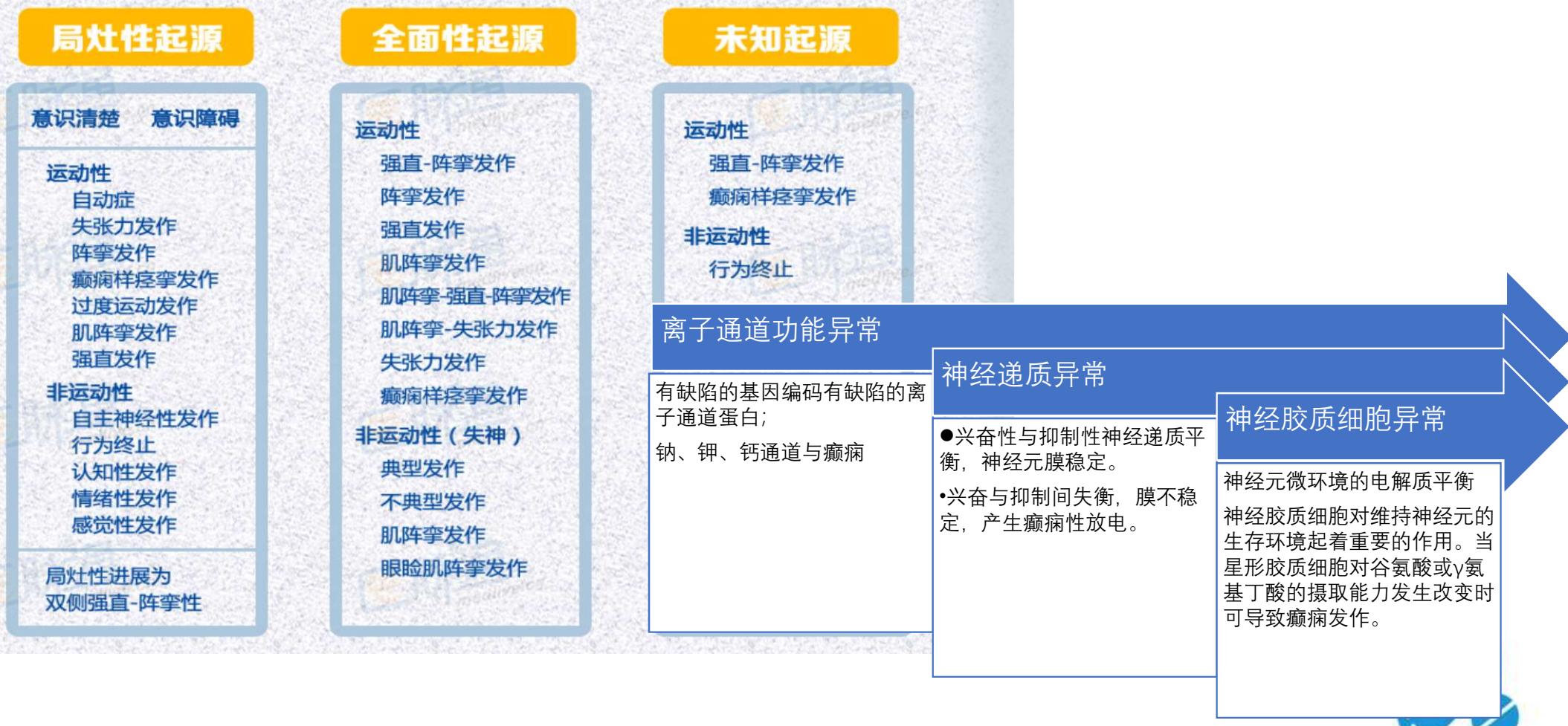
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# 2017年ILAE癫痫分类系统





# Common Etiologies 病因学

## Metabolic

Hypoglycemia  
Hypocalcemia  
Hypomagnesemia  
Hyponatremia  
Hypernatremia

## Cerebrovascular

Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy  
Arterial and Venous stroke  
Intracerebral hemorrhage  
Intraventricular hemorrhage  
Subdural hemorrhage  
Subarachnoid hemorrhage

## Infection

Bacterial meningitis  
Viral meningitis  
Fetal infections  
TORCH infections

## Developmental

Cortical dysplasia  
Schizencephaly  
Double cortex  
Lissencephaly

## Other

Genetic disorders ( ARX, etc)  
Benign familial convulsions  
Early myoclonic convulsions

Ohtahara syndrome  
Zellweger syndrome  
Pyridoxine deficiency

Maternal drug use – leading to withdrawal  
Inborn errors of metabolism (hyperammonemia, pyridoxine-responsive, hyperglycinemia)



# Neonatal Epileptic Seizures

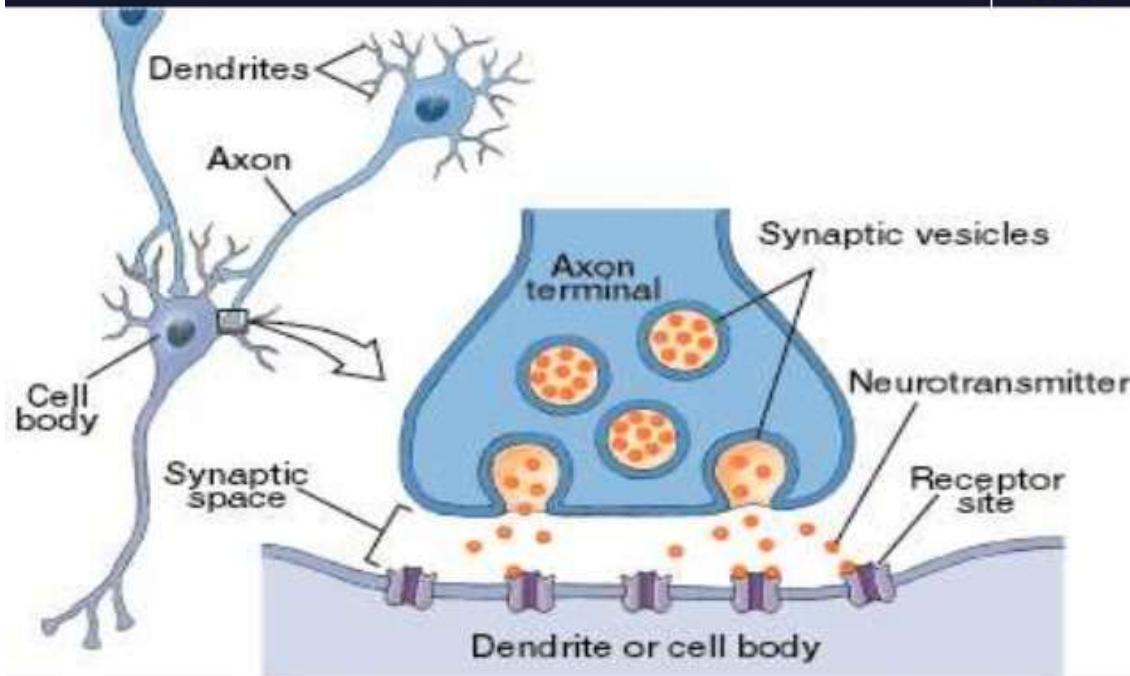
Temporal Profile	Mechanism Targeted	Potential Therapeutic Options*
<b>Acute Changes</b>	Immediate Early Genes	Chromatin acetylation modifiers/histone deacetylation inhibitors (valproate)
	NMDA receptors	NMDA receptor inhibitors (memantine, felbamate) NR2B-specific inhibitors (Ifenprodil),
	AMPA receptors	AMPAR antagonists (topiramate, talampanel, GYKI compounds)
	NKCC1 Chloride Transporters	NKCC1 inhibitor (bumetanide -in combination with GABA agonists phenobarbital, benzodiazepines)
	GABA receptors	GABA receptor agonists (phenobarbital, benzodiazepines)
	Phosphatases (eg. calcineurin)	Phosphatase inhibitors (FK-506)
	Kinases (activation of PKA, PKC, CaMKII, Src kinases, etc)	Kinase inhibitors (CaMKII inhibitor KN-62, PKA inhibitor KT5720, PKC inhibitor chelerythrine)
<b>Sub-Acute Changes</b>	Inflammation	Anti-inflammatory compounds (ACTH), microglial inactivators (minocycline, doxycycline)
	Neuronal Injury	Erythropoietin, antioxidants, NO inhibitors, NMDAR antagonists (memantine)
	HCN Channels	I(h)-blocker ZD7288
	CB1 receptor	CB1 receptor antagonists (SR 14176A, Rimonabant)
<b>Chronic Changes</b>	Sprouting	Protein synthesis inhibitors (rapamycin, cycloheximide)
	Gliosis	Anti-inflammatory agents, (Cox-2 inhibitors, minocycline, doxycycline)





## 2. Epileptogenesis in neonatal brain 未成熟大脑的癫痫发生

### Basic mechanisms of epileptogenesis



动物实验与临床：

- Clinical evaluation?
- How to interpret brain developmental stages in rodents and compare them with humans?





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# Clinical evaluation 临床评价

- Physical Exam (including wood's lamp exam): Looking for both neurologic and systemic abnormalities
- History
- Imaging EEG
- Evaluation focused on looking for treatable causes, may be directed by history and exam
- Consider **metabolic evaluation** including:
  - Serology
  - Urine testing
  - Genetic testing
  - CSF testing





# 基础研究 brain developmental stages----rodents vs humans

Developmental stages in rodents based on maturation  
of hypothalamo-pituitary-gonadal axis

下丘脑-垂体-性腺轴

Stage	Female (PN)	Male (PN)
Neonatal	0–6	0–6
Infantile	7–21	7–21
Juvenile	21–32	21–35
Early pubertal	32–36	35–45
Puberty	34–38	45–60
Adult	>60	>60

PN, postnatal day.

Species equivalency for  
developmental milestones

Milestones	Rodents	Humans
Duration of gestation	23 days	40 weeks
Full-term neonate <sup>a</sup>	PN8–13	39–40 weeks
Eye opening	PN13–15	Right after birth (-26 weeks)
Weaning from mother/end of breastfeeding	PN21	6 <sup>th</sup> month or later
Ambulation	2 weeks	>1st year of life
Life expectancy	2 years	~80 years in USA

Akman O, Moshe SL, Galanopoulou AS. Sex-specific  
consequences of early life seizures. Neurobiol Dis 2014

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biomarkers in the immature brain: goals, challenges  
and strategies. Biomarkers Med 2011





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### 3. Inflammation of epileptogenesis

➤危险因素 (Infancy or adult) :

CNS injuries : 外伤 trauma, 中风 stroke, 病毒感染 viral infection,  
热性惊厥 febrile seizures, 癫痫持续状态 status epilepticus

➤现象: CNS inflammation立即发生, 并长期存在

➤提示: pro-inflammatory state in the brain play a key role in the development of the epileptic process.

➤证据:

- (1)the upregulation of pro-inflammatory signals during epileptogenesis in brain areas of seizure onset/generalization;
- (2)pharmacological targeting of specific pro-inflammatory pathways after status epilepticus or in kindling shows antiepileptogenic effects.





### 3、Inflammation of epileptogenesis

➤机制：促炎因子利于长期-神经网络的超兴奋性(hyperexcitability)

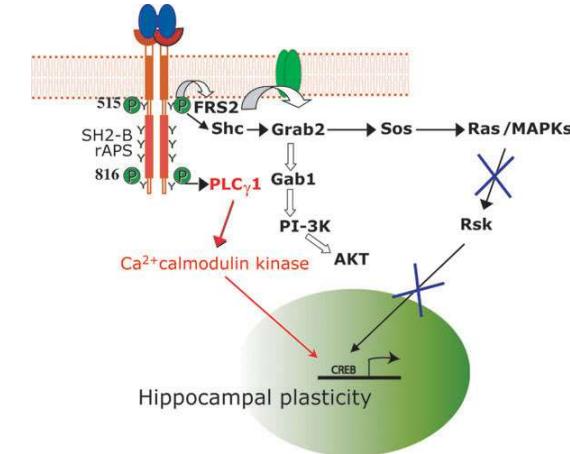
(1)迅速-非转录效应：glutamate and GABA receptors

(2)基因转录激活：突触可塑性

➤基础研究策略：

(1)诱导CNS炎性状态，探讨短期/长期神经元兴奋性及发作阈值：administering pro-inflammatory molecules, or by using mice that overexpress specific cytokines

(2)药理学干扰特异性炎症通路，效果评估：onset, phenotype, frequency and duration of spontaneous seizures.

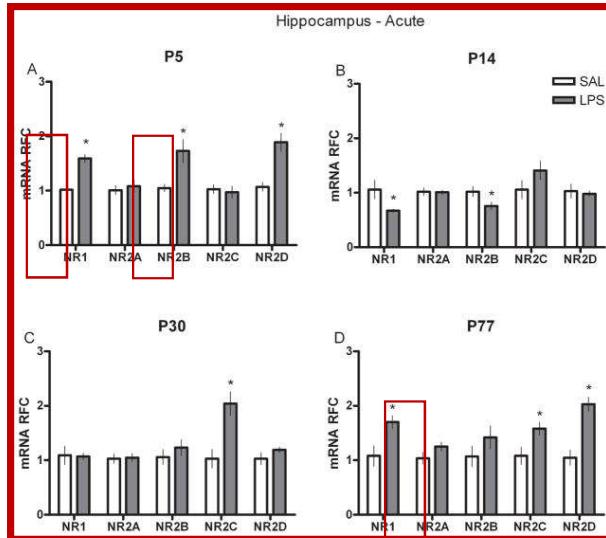




## 3-1 Inflammation and seizure susceptibility

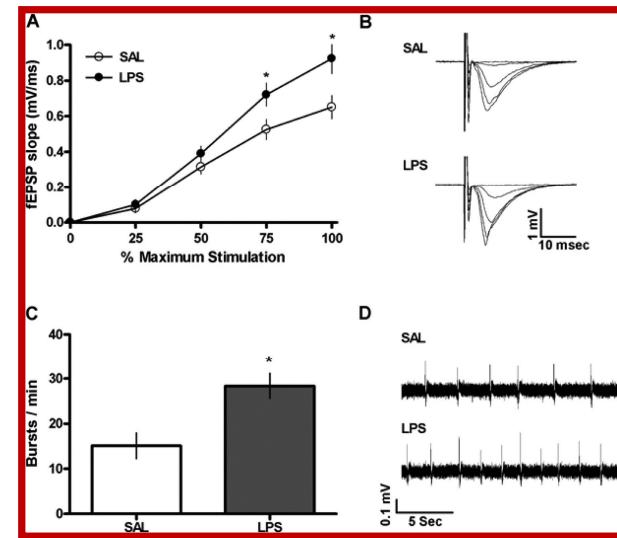
- Immature rodents: PN7-14 days
- 模型: LPS or poly I:C (mimicking viral infection)—CNS inflammation and fever
  - 易感性↓: 未成年LPS→未成年高热诱导; 未成年LPS →成年匹鲁卡品诱导
  - 神经细胞丢失↑; 认知缺陷↑: Microglia TNF- or IL-1 production ↑

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# Inflammation and seizure susceptibility

Experimental model	Convulsant stimulus	Time of seizure test	Effect
<b>Systemic infection</b>			
Lipopolysaccharide in adult mice (Gram-negative)	PTZ PTZ Pilo in microglia/macrophage ablated animals	1–12 h 24 h 24 h	↓ seizure threshold ↑ seizure threshold ↑ seizure severity score
Lipopolysaccharide in PN6-PN14 rats	Li + Pilo, KA, PTZ Febrile seizures	Adulthood	↓ seizure threshold ↑ hippocampal excitability
<i>Shigella dysenteriae</i> sonicate in adult mice	PTZ	7–24 h	↑ seizure severity score
2,4,6-Trinitrobenzene sulfonic acid (inflammatory colitis) in adult mice	PTZ	2, 4, 10 days	↓ seizure threshold
Mycobacterium adjuvant (arthritis) in adult rats	PTZ	17 days	↓ seizure threshold; ↑ seizure severity score
<b>CNS viral infection</b>			
Theiler's murine encephalomyelitis virus in adult mice	n.a.	5–7 days	Occurrence of spontaneous seizures (50% of mice)
Herpes simplex virus type-1 in adult mice	PTZ	15, 370 days	↓ seizure threshold; ↑ seizure severity score
Polyinosinic:polycytidylic acid in PN14 rats	PTZ, Li + Pilo	Adulthood	↓ seizure threshold
<b>Traumatic brain injury</b>			
Closed-skull impact model	Electroconvulsive shock	7 days	↓ seizure threshold
<b>Transgenic mice</b>			
Overexpressing TNF- $\alpha$	KA	Adulthood	↑ seizure severity score
Overexpressing IL-6	KA, NMDA	Adulthood	↑ lethality ↑ seizure severity score

PTZ, pentylenetetrazole; PN, post-natal day; KA, kainic acid; Li + Pilo, lithium + pilocarpine; n.a.: not applicable.



## 3-2 Enhanced potential for inflammatory response to seizures in the immature brain

1. HI及炎症大脑：早期的MG激活+炎症因子的产生
2. immature white matter: MG高表达 (啮齿动物及人类)

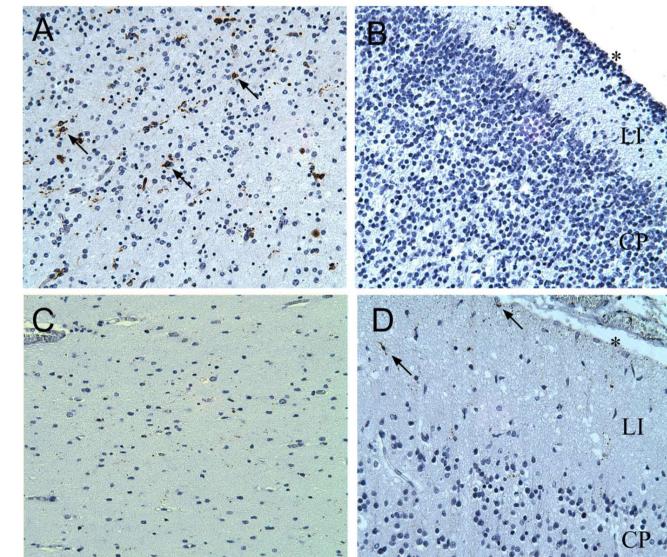
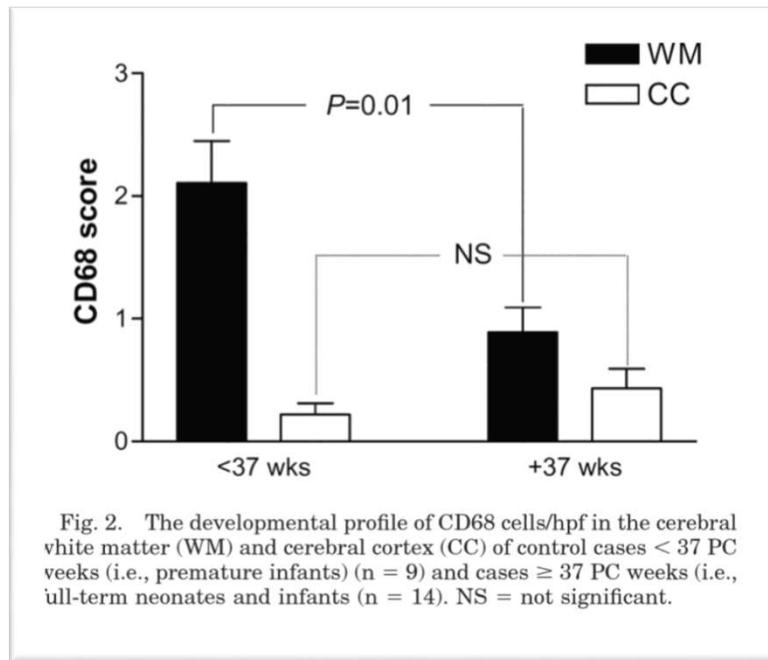


Fig. 3. Localization of activated microglia using CD68. A: Numerous activated microglia (arrows) in the white matter of a 23 PC week human fetus. B: Negligible CD68-immunopositive cells in the cortex of the same fetus. C: No CD68-immunopositive cells in the white matter of a 54 PC week human infant (14 postmenstrual weeks). D: Still low levels of activated microglia (arrows) in the cortex of the same infant. \*PIA surface; LI, layer I; and CP, the cortical plate. All images are at 200 $\times$  magnification. Scale bar = 60  $\mu$ m (applies to all panels).

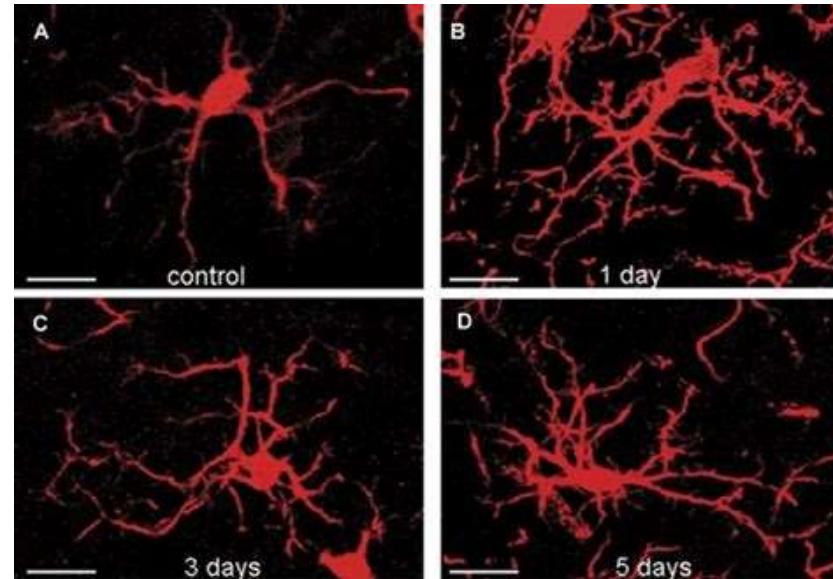
*Development of microglia in the cerebral white matter of the human fetus and infant*





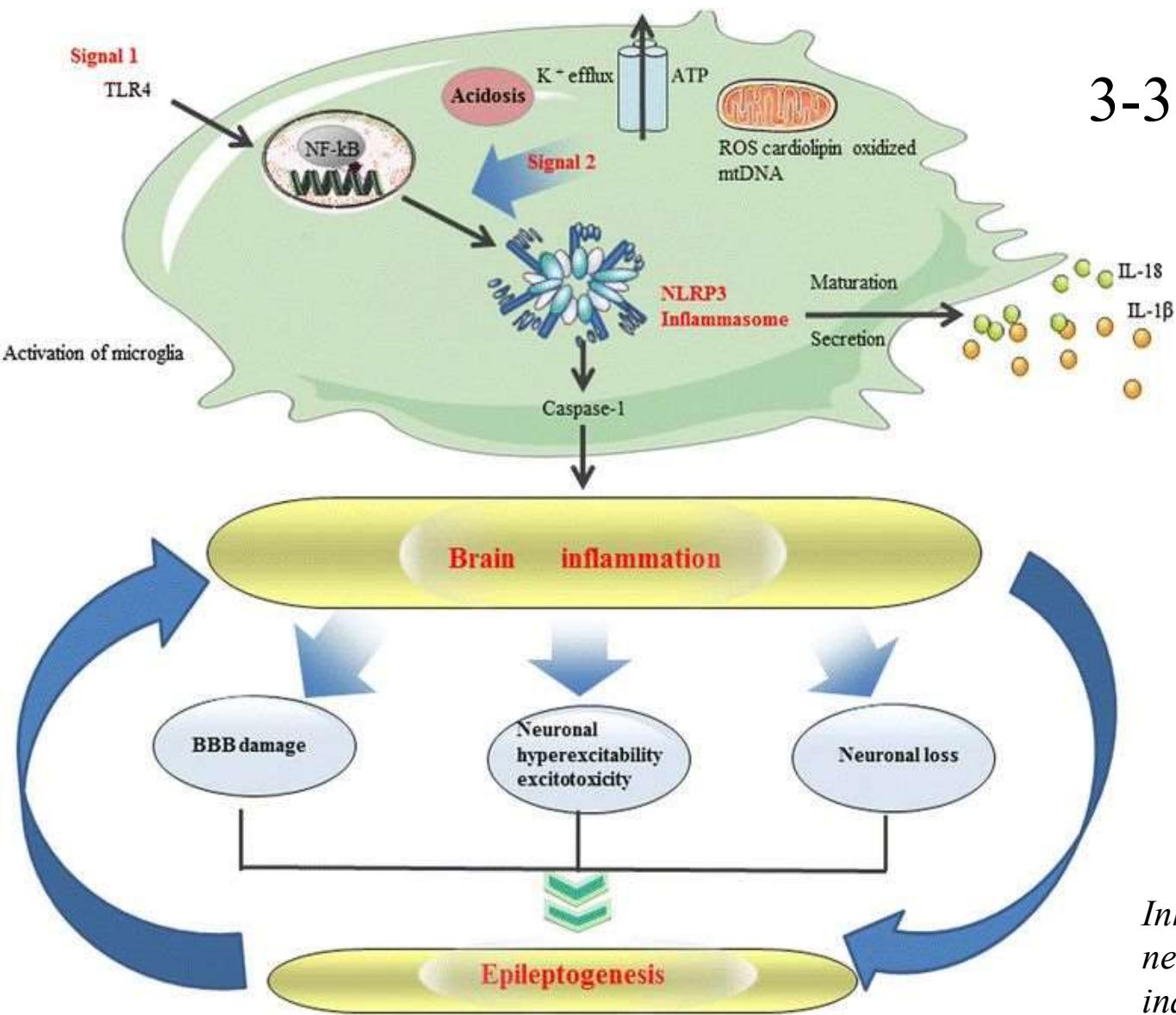
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3. 发育期：灰质深部的MG密度高于发育后期：细胞迁移有关
4. 不同癫痫模型诱导急性发作时：MG激活，形态学改变，迅速产生促炎细胞因子



*Rapid astrocyte and microglial activation following pilocarpineinduced seizures in rats. Epilepsia*





### 3-3 NLRP3 inflammasome

Preterm      Adult

The diagram shows three stages of NLRP3 inflammasome maturation. The first stage is labeled "Preterm" and the third stage is labeled "Adult". The size of the inflammasome increases significantly from the preterm stage to the adult stage.

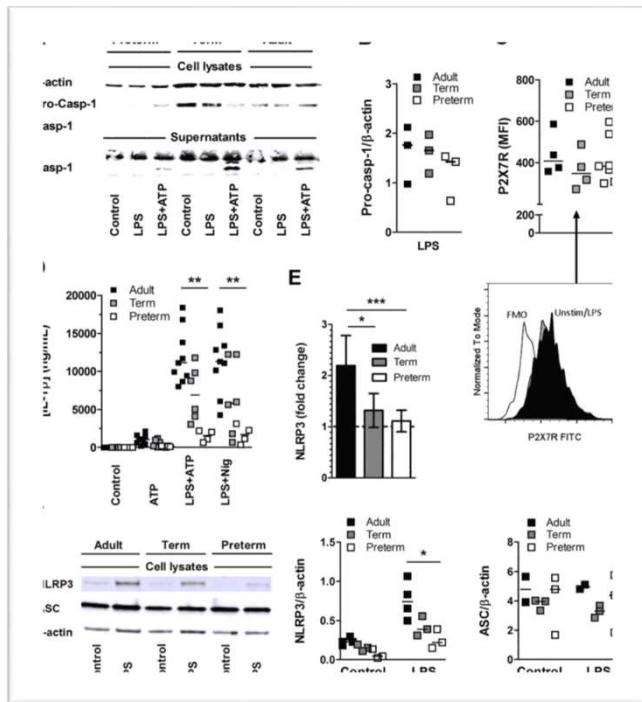
*Inhibition of the NLRP3 inflammasome provides neuroprotection in rats following amygdala kindling-induced status epilepticus*



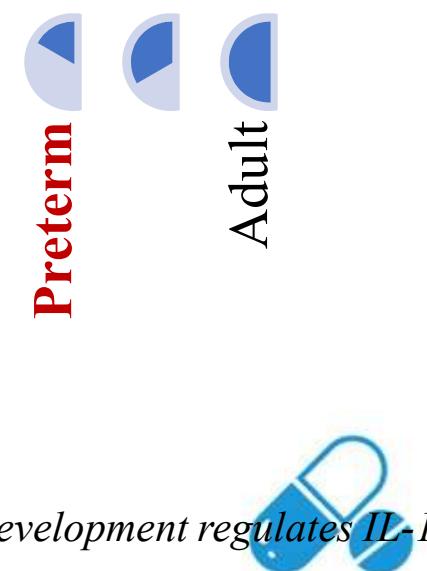
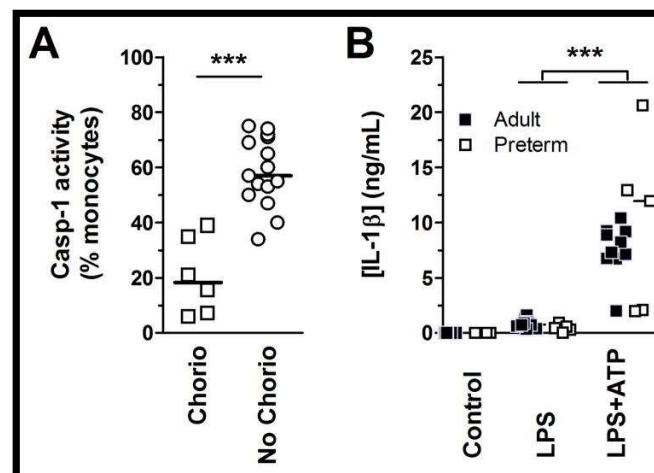


## 3-3 NLRP3 inflammasome

- Impaired NLRP3 induction in preterm neonatal monocytes
- Developmental impairment in IL-1 $\beta$  secretion is restored after birth
- Such mechanisms may serve to limit potentially damaging inflammatory responses in a developing fetus



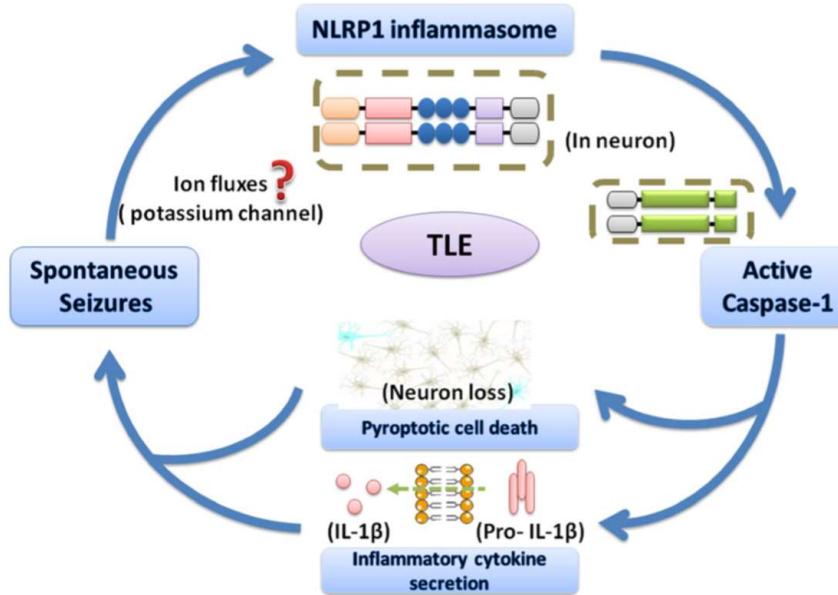
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*Impaired NLRP3 inflammasome activity during fetal development regulates IL-1 $\beta$  production in human monocytes*



### 3-3 NLRP1 inflammasome



**Figure 4 NLRP1 inflammasome contributes to pyroptosis in chronic temporal lobe epilepsy.** High NLRP1 levels were found in pyramidal neurons of the brain. The spontaneous seizures may set fire to neuronal NLRP1 inflammasome via potassium efflux and other channels. Then, the activation of NLRP1 inflammasome leads to the caspase-1-mediated pyroptosis and secretion of IL-1 $\beta$ , which ultimately induces TLE pathology through several downstream effects in brain. Our current study mainly indicated that the caspase-1-induced neuronal pyroptosis provides a molecular basis for the spontaneous seizures in TLE process.

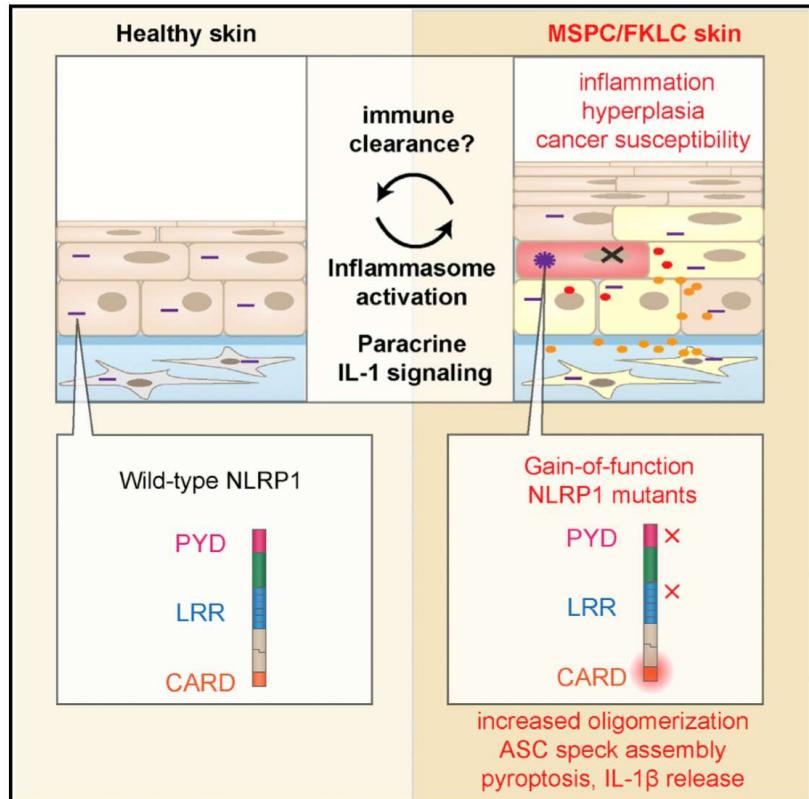
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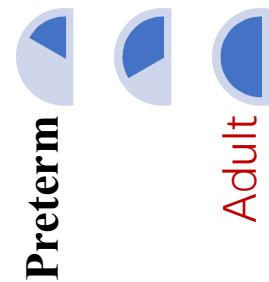
*NLRP1 inflammasome is activated in patients with medial temporal lobe epilepsy and contributes to neuronal pyroptosis in amygdala kindling-induced rat model*



### 3-3 NLRP1 inflammasome



导致MSPC和FKLC的基因突变破坏结构域，使得NLRP1更容易被激活，从而导致异常的炎症

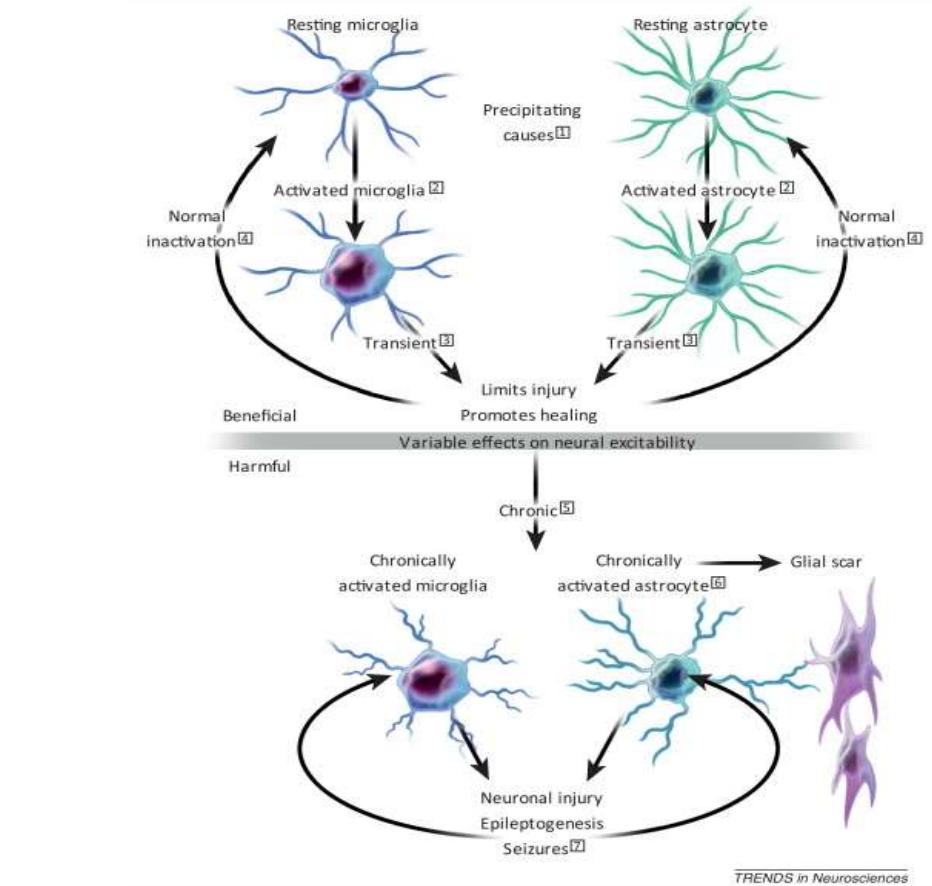
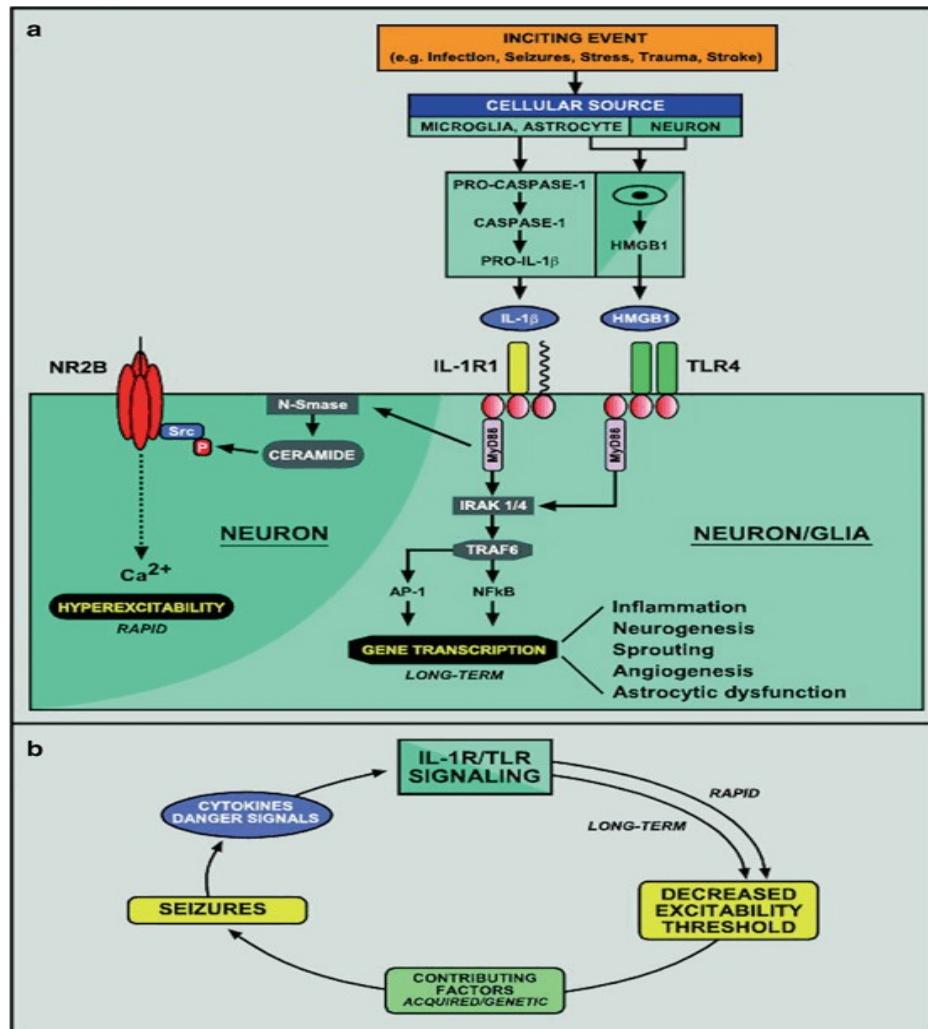


*Germline NLRP1 Mutations Cause Skin Inflammatory and Cancer Susceptibility Syndromes via Inflammasome Activation.* *Cell*, 167(1), 187–202.e17.





# 3-4 Role of pro-inflammatory cytokines released from glia



*Crucial Role for Astrocytes in Epilepsy*





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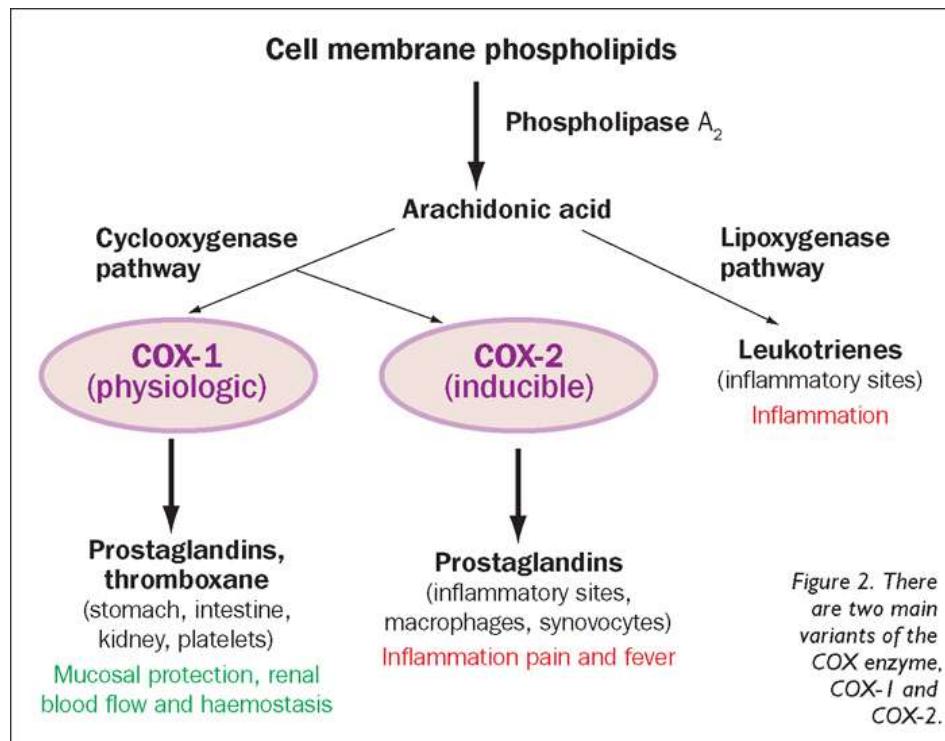
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# 4 Effects of anti-inflammatory treatments on epileptogenesis 针对炎症的治疗

## 1. 非甾体类Non steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs)



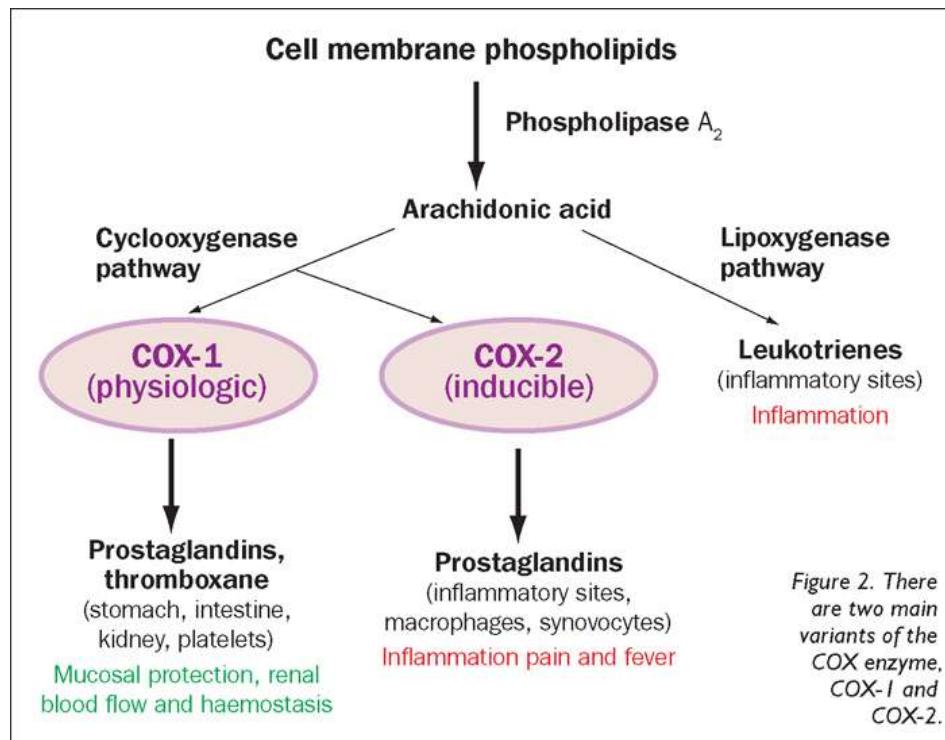
- COX-2 选择性抑制剂, 神经保护效应:
  - celecoxib, parecoxib and SC58236
    - Status epilepticus-induced epileptogenesis
    - reduction in the number and frequency of video-monitored spontaneous seizures.
- 其他COX-2抑制剂nimesulide, rofecoxib
- 非选择性抑制剂paracetamol, naproxen, ibuprofen, mefenamic acid, indomethacin
- COX-1选择性抑制剂 SC560
  - kindling model of epileptogenesis
  - 反复PTZ注射或电刺激
  - delay in stage 5 seizure





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- 下游PGE2信号
- 急性癫痫模型  
PGE2 促癫痫发生  
PGF2 抑制癫痫发生
- 提示：COX酶的作用依赖于不同模型中不同前列腺素的产生





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### 2. 抗细胞因子Anti-cytokines approaches

Drug	Experimental model	Treatment	Effect
IL-1 $\beta$ synthesis inhibitor	Electrical rapid kindling in rats	Every 90 min during stimulation	No kindling development
TNF- $\alpha$	Electrical amygdala kindling in mice	24 h before stimulation	$\uparrow$ AD duration; $\uparrow$ $\alpha$ activity
IL-10	Electrical rapid kindling in rats	1 h before stimulation	$\downarrow$ primary and secondary ADs; no effect on kindling development
Erythropoietin	Pilo-induced SE in rats	24 h post-SE for 7 days	$\downarrow$ number and duration of spontaneous seizures





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### 3. 免疫抑制剂Immunosuppressants

3种经典免疫抑制剂：

环孢霉素A cyclosporine A,

他克莫司FK-506 (Tacrolimus),

雷帕霉素rapamycin.

作用机制：

1. 抑制 T淋巴细胞激活
2. 雷帕霉素抑制mTOR激酶

#### Immunosuppressants

Rapamycin	KA-induced SE in rats	24 h post-SE for 6 days	↓ number of spontaneous seizures
Cyclosporin A	PTZ-induced kindling in mice	1 h before PTZ	↓ kindling development
	Electrical amygdala kindling in rats	30 min before stimulation	↓ kindling development
FK506 (Tacrolimus)	PTZ-induced kindling in mice	1 h before PTZ	↓ kindling development
	PTZ-induced kindling in rats	30 min before PTZ	↑ kindling development
	Electrical-induced SE in rats	24 h post-SE for 14 days	No effects
	Electrical amygdala kindling in rats	30 min before stimulation	↓ kindling development



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## 5 Mechanisms of inflammation-mediated hyperexcitability 炎症介导的超兴奋机制

- ① Effects of pro-inflammatory cytokines on ion channels and receptors
  - classic view: 细胞因子通过自分泌/旁分泌方式诱导毒性介质生成
  - Novel evidence: 细胞因子通过调节神经元膜表面受体装配及磷酸化：  
胶质细胞产生的IL-1 增加NMDA-介导的内向Ca<sup>2+</sup> 电流, by activating IL-1R1 colocalized with NMDA receptors on dendrites of pyramidal neurons





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- TNF诱导的astrocytes 释放 PGE2, 介导Ca<sup>2+</sup>依赖的谷氨酸释放





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- ③ COX-2 and PGE2

CA1神经元中，PGE2通过减少钾电流，增加frequency of firing and EPSP amplitude





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IL-1 $\beta$  and TNF- $\alpha$  增加血管通透性，促进血管生成；

血管周的astrocytes 改变BBB， 提高周围神经元兴奋性





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- ④ Cytokines and BBB
- ⑤ Long-term transcriptional effects

炎性介质介导细胞死亡、神经发生及突触重构；





## 小结

1. 病因：离子通道异常、神经递质异常，胶质细胞功能异常
2. 促炎因子利于神经网络的超兴奋性，机制是：ion channels and receptors, transmitter, BBB
3. MG发育特征、NLRP3发育特征
4. 治疗炎症，控制癫痫发生





*Thank You*

