

# Reactivarea herpesvirusurilor

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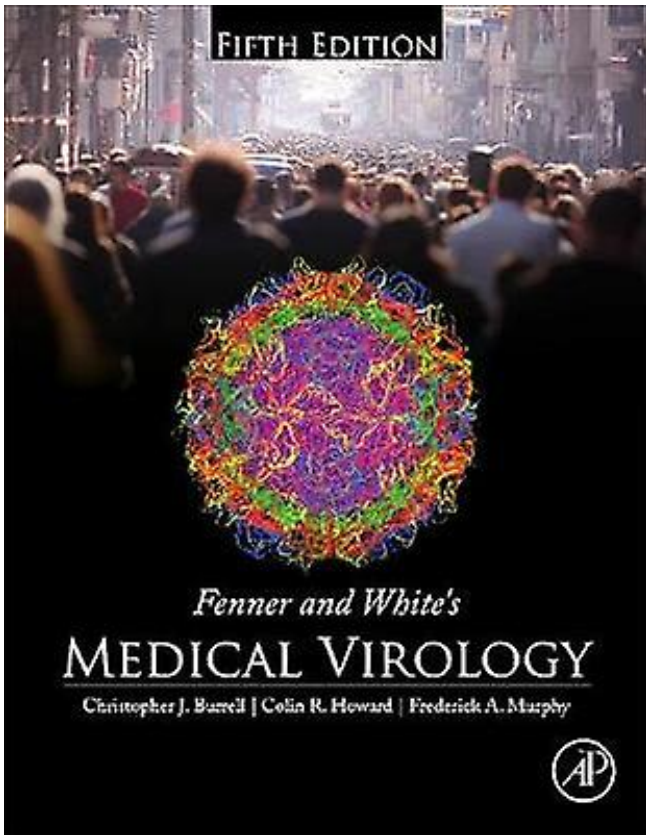
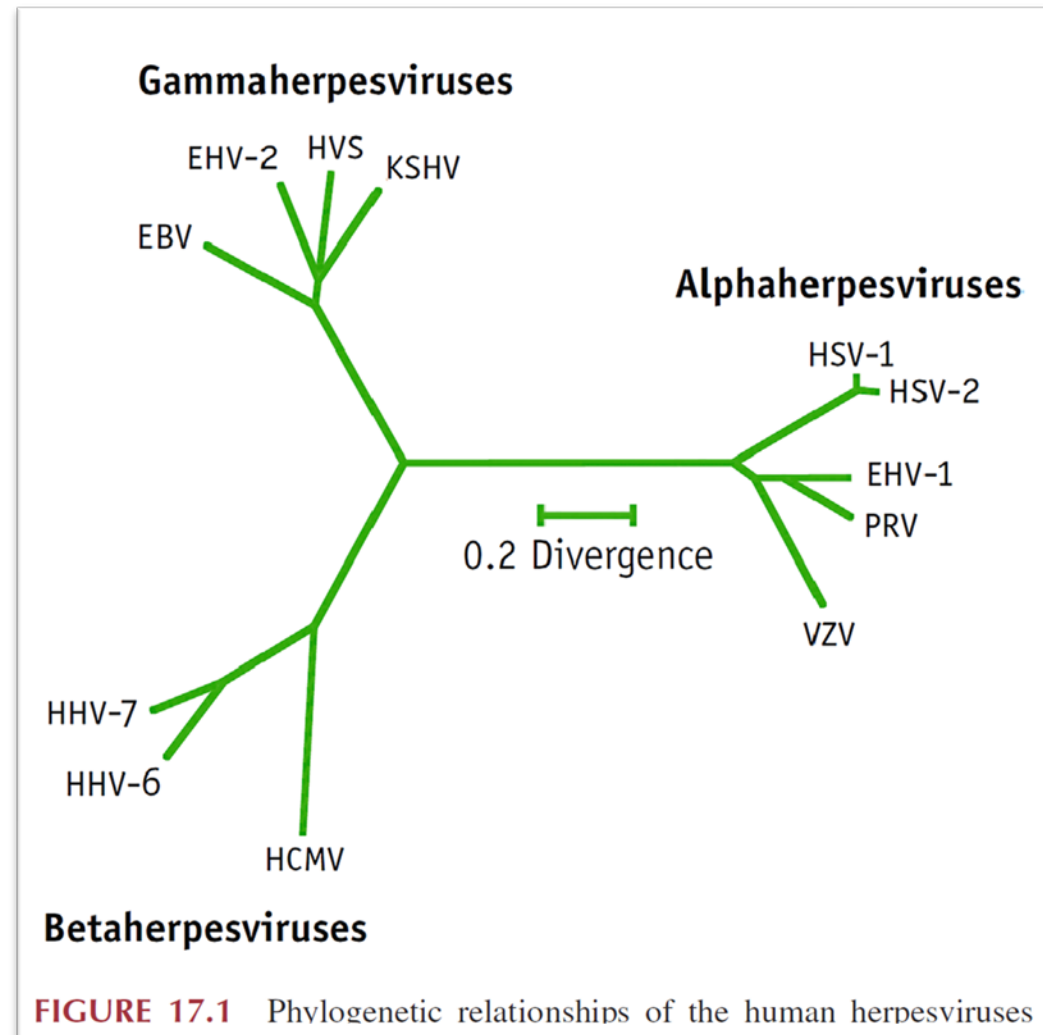
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## PROPERTIES OF THE VIRUSES

### Classification



# Herpesvirus latency

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**Table 1. Features of latency and replication of human herpesviruses**

| Subfamily        | Virus | Site of latency | Primary sites of replication                          | Proteins expressed during latency | RNAs expressed during latency | Disease in primary infection    | Disease in immunocompromised host  |
|------------------|-------|-----------------|---|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Alphaherpesvirus | HSV-1 | Neuron          | Epithelial cells in and around mouth and genital area | None                              | LATs, miRNAs                  | Cold sores, genital herpes      | Visceral infections (esophagitis, retinitis, hepatitis, encephalitis, etc.)        |
|                  | HSV-2 | Neuron          | Epithelial cells in and around genital area           | None                              | LATs, miRNAs                  | Genital herpes, neonatal herpes | Visceral infection (esophagitis, retinitis, hepatitis, encephalitis, etc.)         |
|                  | VZV   | Neuron          | Epithelial cells in skin                              | None                              | VLT, IE63, miRNAs             | Chickenpox                      | Visceral infection (disseminated rash, pneumonitis, hepatitis, encephalitis, etc.) |

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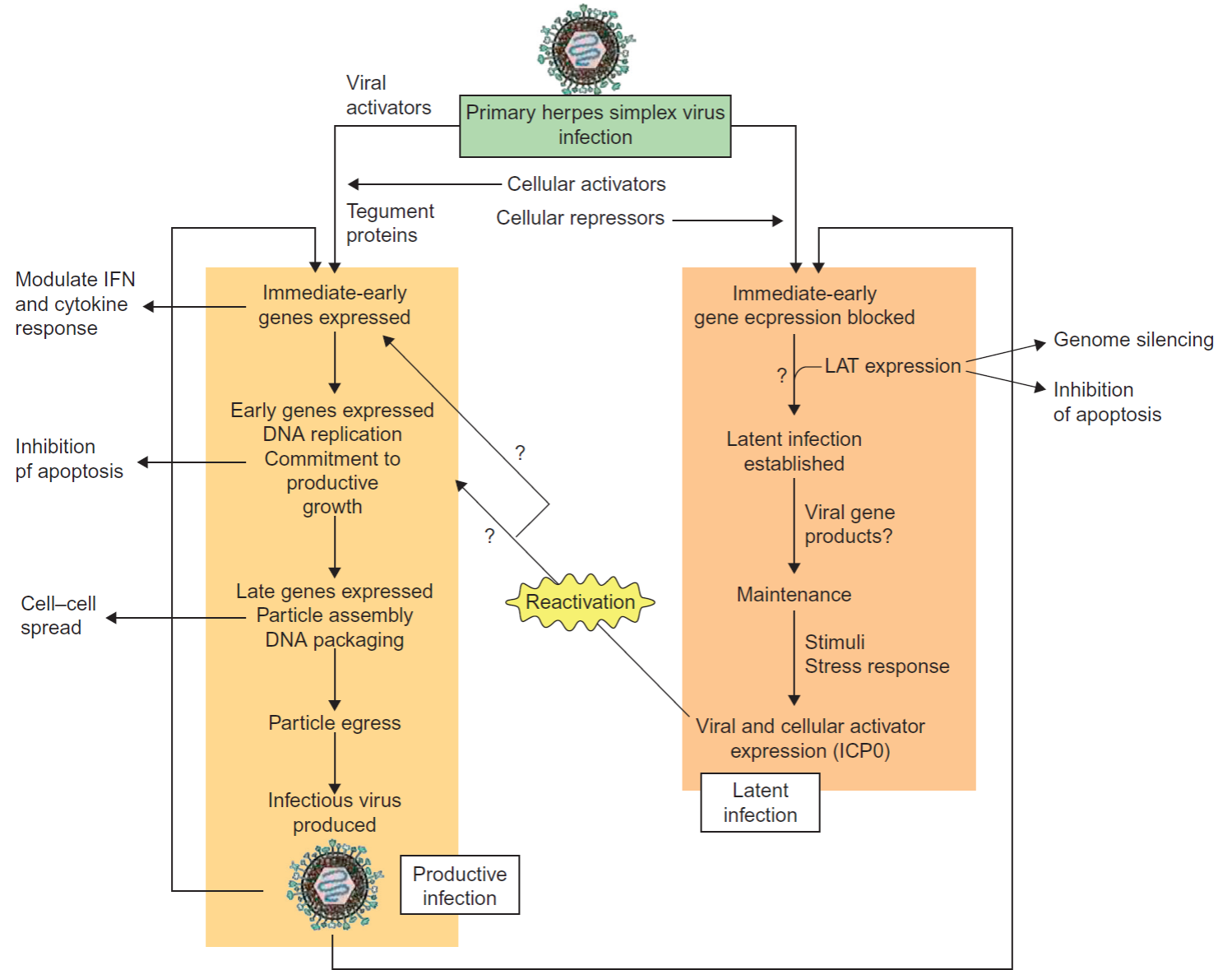
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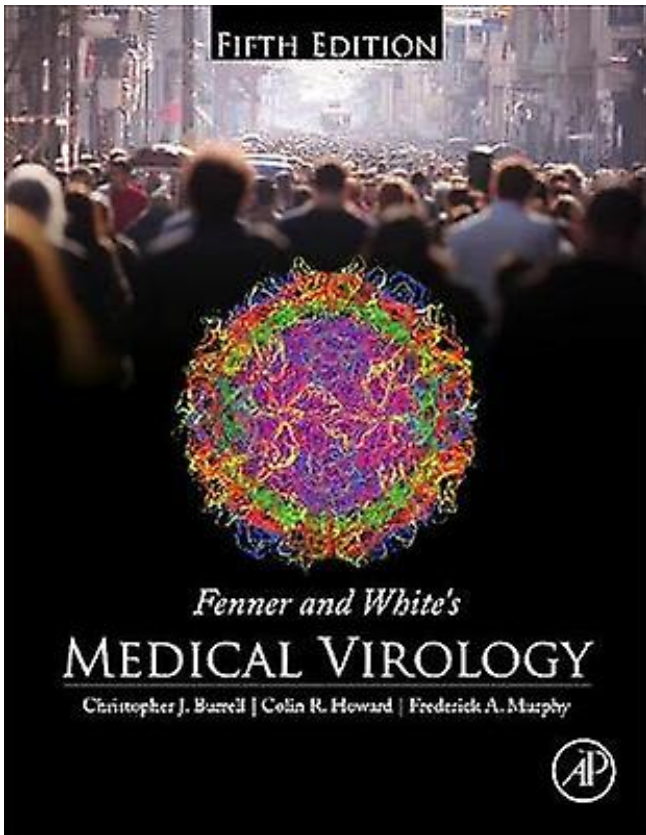
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|------------------|-------|--|---|--|---|---|---|
| Betaherpesvirus  | HCMV  | CD34 <sup>+</sup> myeloid progenitors, CD14 <sup>+</sup> monocytes | Epithelial cells of salivary glands, kidneys, genital tract | None; IE1x4? <sup>A</sup>                          | Multiple RNAs of all classes at low level, miRNAs | Infectious mononucleosis, congenital HCMV in neonates | Visceral infection (pneumonitis, hepatitis, retinitis, colitis, etc.)     |
|                  | HHV-6 | CD34 <sup>+</sup> stem cells, monocytes                            | Epithelial cells of salivary glands, lymphocytes            | None reported                                      | Not reported                                      | Roseola; infantile fever and seizures                 | Encephalitis  |
|                  | HHV-7 | CD4 <sup>+</sup> cells   | Epithelial cells of salivary glands                         | None reported                                      | Not reported                                      | Roseola; infantile fever and seizures                 | Encephalitis  |
| Gammaherpesvirus | EBV   | B cells  | Epithelial cells in oropharynx                              | EBNA1 <sup>A</sup> , others in tumors <sup>B</sup> | EBERs, miRNAs, others in tumors <sup>B</sup>      | Infectious mononucleosis                              | B cell lymphoma   |
|                  | KSHV  | B cells  | Epithelial cells in oropharynx, genital tract               | LANA <sup>A</sup> , others in tumors <sup>C</sup>  | miRNAs, others in tumors <sup>C</sup>             | Fever and rash  | Primary effusion lymphoma, Kaposi sarcoma, multicentric Castleman disease |

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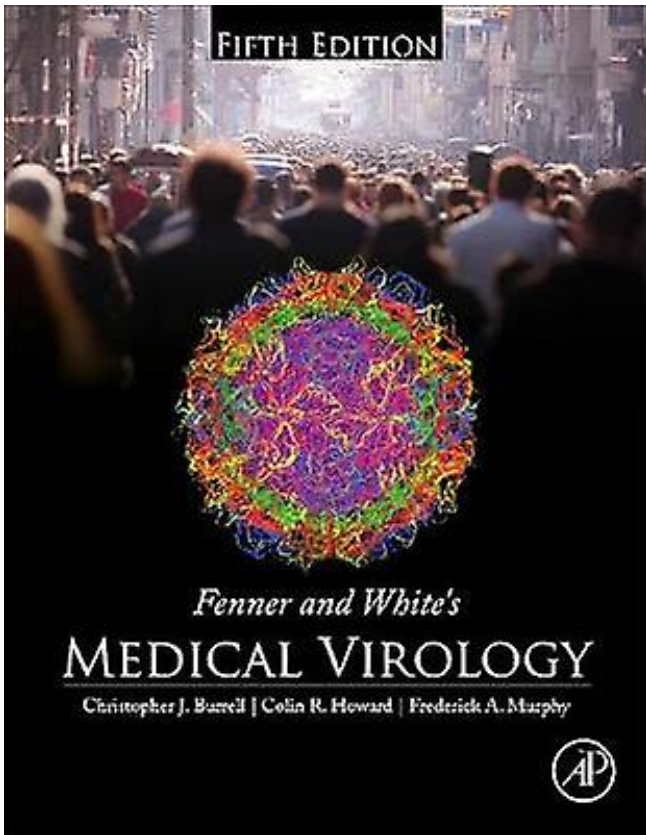


**FIGURE 17.4** General strategies for the establishment of productive or latent infection with herpes simplex virus. The productive infection is shown by the pathway on the left, and the latent infection by the pathway on the right. Infectious particles produced by the productive pathway may infect other cells



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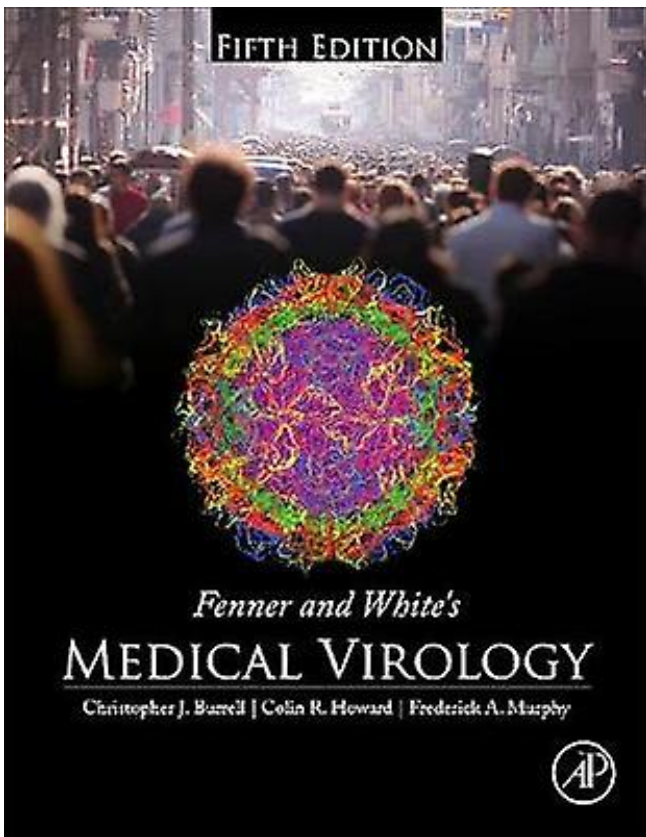
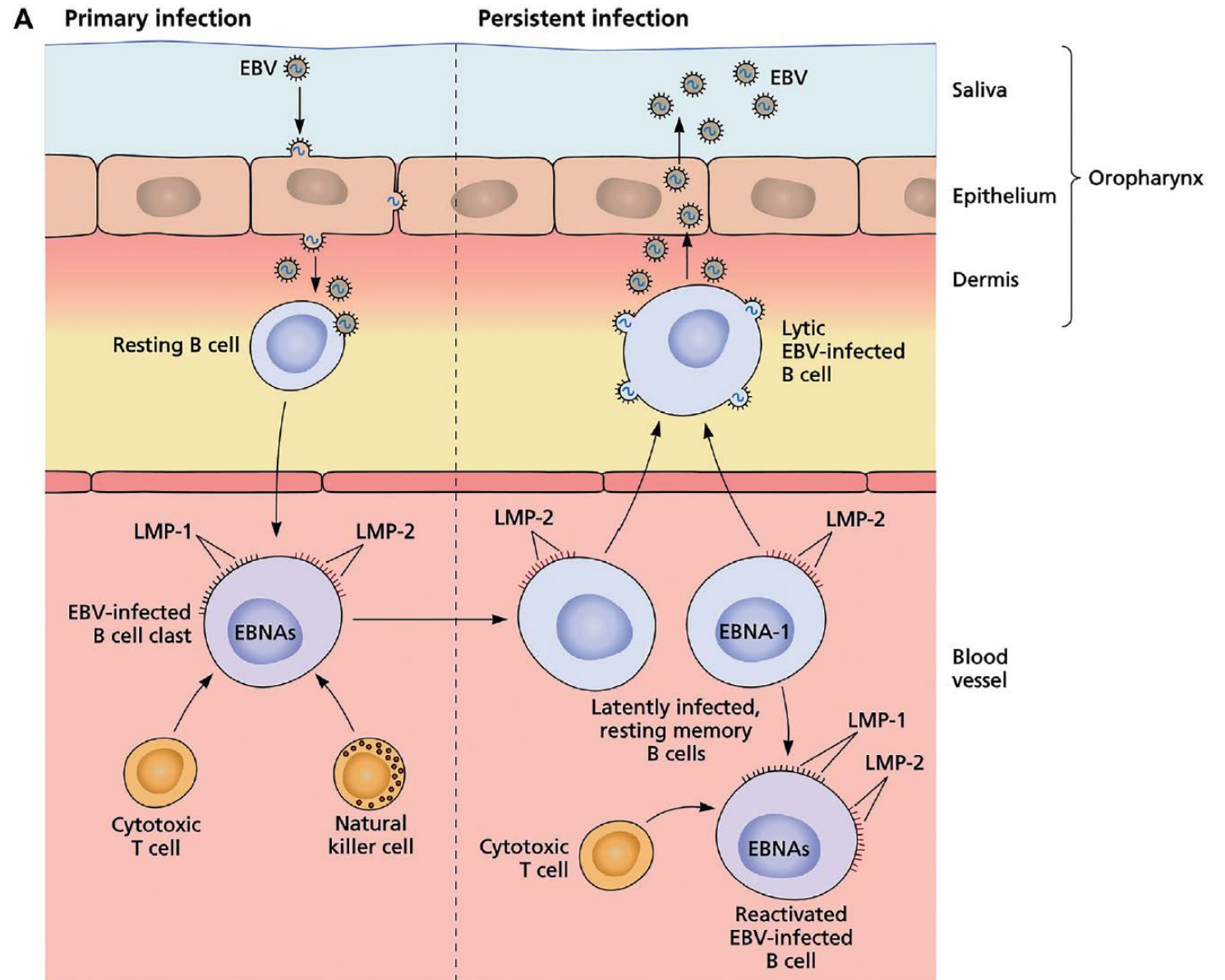
**TABLE 17.4** Syndromes Caused by Cytomegalovirus Infections

| Age or Immunocompetence        | Route of Acquisition                        | Disease Caused by Primary Infection   |
|--------------------------------|---|---|
| Prenatal                       | Transplacental                              | Encephalitis, hepatitis, thrombocytopenia   |
|                                |   | Long-term sequelae brain damage, nerve deafness, retinopathy                      |
| Perinatal                      | Cervical secretions, breast milk, saliva    | Nil   |
| Any age                        | Blood transfusion                           | Pneumonitis, disseminated disease   |
|                                | Saliva or sexual intercourse                | Mononucleosis, mild hepatitis   |
|                                | Blood transfusion                           | Mononucleosis   |
| Immunocompromised <sup>a</sup> | Saliva, sex, organ graft, blood transfusion | Pneumonia, hepatitis, retinitis, encephalitis, myelitis, gastrointestinal disease |

<sup>a</sup>Diseases shown occur less commonly after reactivation of a latent infection.

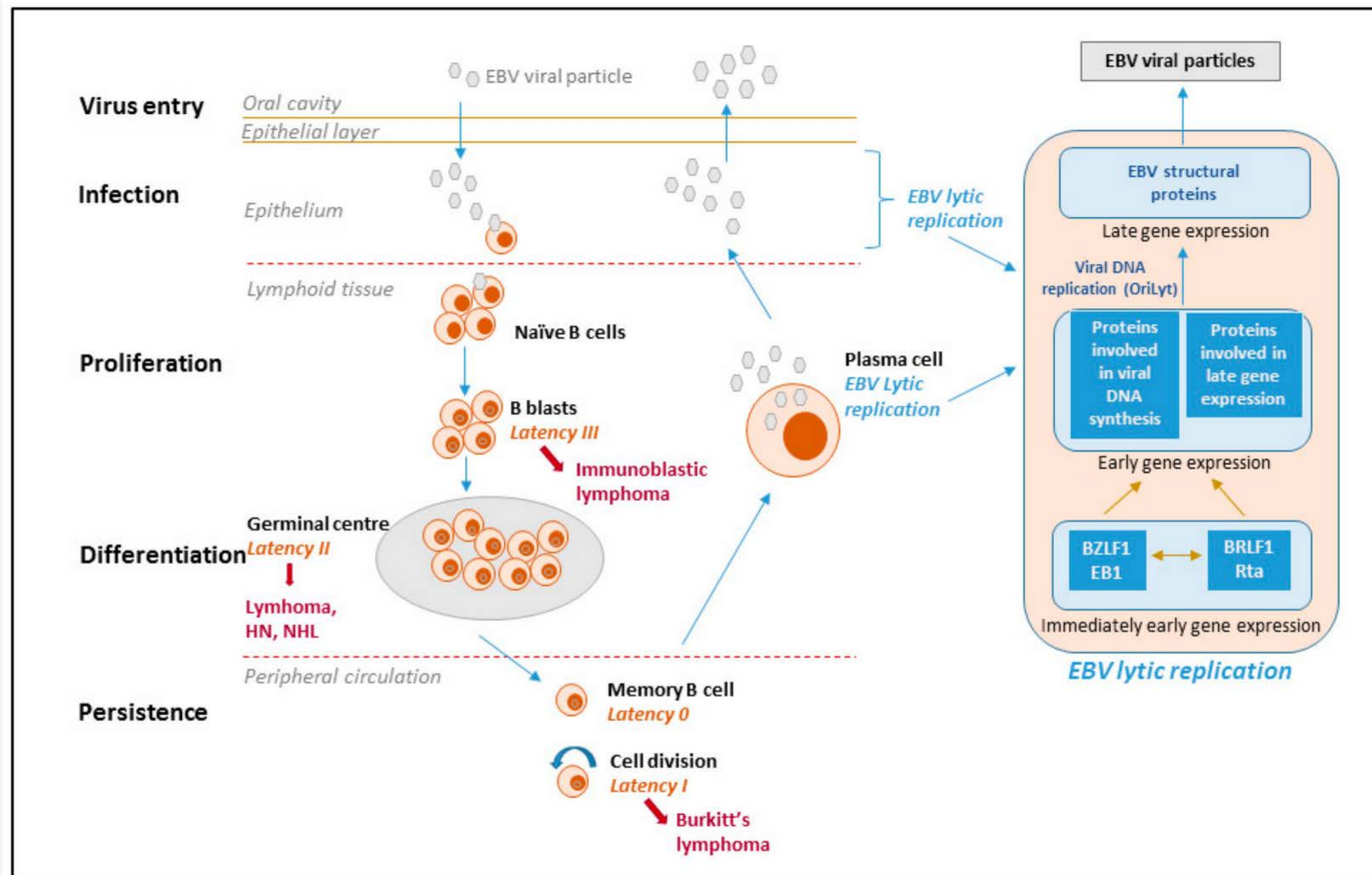
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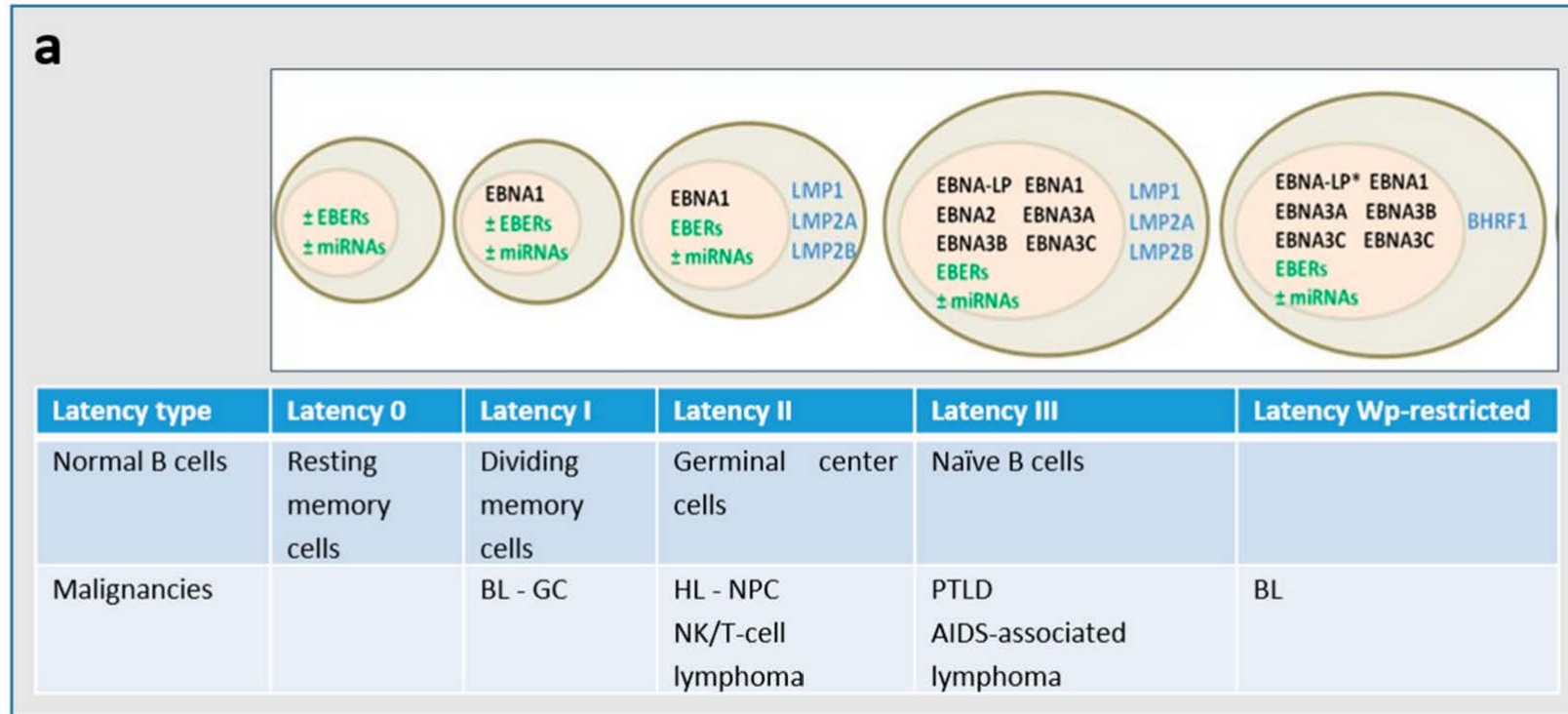


**Figure 1.** EBV life cycle, latency stages and derived lymphomas. The viral life cycle includes at least five different stages (virus entry, infection, proliferation, differentiation and persistence), and four of them are associated with EBV diseases. The virus is transmitted through the saliva and infects naïve B-cells in the



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**Figure 2.** (a) Patterns of gene expression during EBV latency.

EBV-associated malignancies. PEL: primary effusion lymphoma; HL: Hodgkin lymphoma; BL: Burkitt lymphoma; NHL: non-Hodgkin lymphoma; PTLD: post-transplant lymphoproliferative disorder; NPC: nasopharyngeal carcinoma; GC: gastric carcinoma.

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Anti-EBV therapy remains a major unmet medical need, in particular for patients with an impaired immune system. Antivirals approved for other herpesviruses that have been evaluated for EBV-associated diseases have delivered disappointing results. A few candidate anti-EBV drugs are available but much work remains to be done to

A novel strategy that could potentially be used to combat both productive and latent EBV infections is the targeting of viral genetic elements required for viral fitness by CRISPR/Cas9 genome editing techniques. Lebbink's group demonstrated that by simultaneous targeting of EBV genome with multiple guided RNAs (gRNAs), almost complete clearance of the virus from latently infected EBV-transformed cells was achieved. This opens new avenues for the development of therapeutic approaches to manage pathogenic human herpesviruses by means of novel genome-engineering technologies [117].

# Prevention of viral infections in hematopoietic cell transplant recipients

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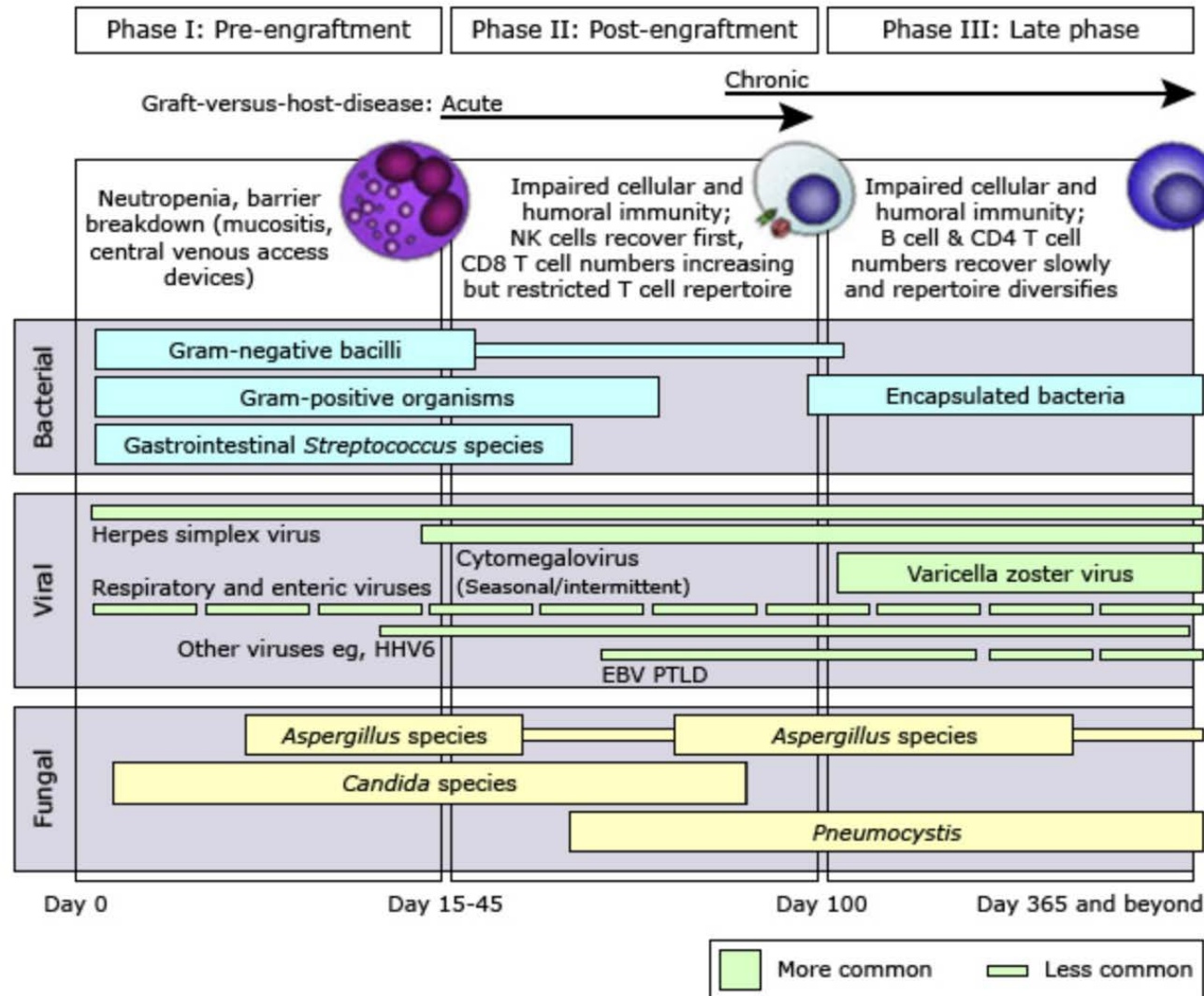
Infection in HCT recipients is associated with high morbidity and mortality. Viruses of major importance in HCT recipients include herpes simplex virus, varicella-zoster virus, cytomegalovirus, Epstein-Barr virus, respiratory viruses (eg, influenza, parainfluenza, respiratory syncytial virus, adenovirus, severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 [SARS-CoV-2]), human herpes virus 6, hepatitis B, and hepatitis C. Antiviral prophylaxis or pre-emptive therapy against some of these viruses is recommended for HCT recipients and will be discussed here.

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## Phases of opportunistic infections among allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplant recipients

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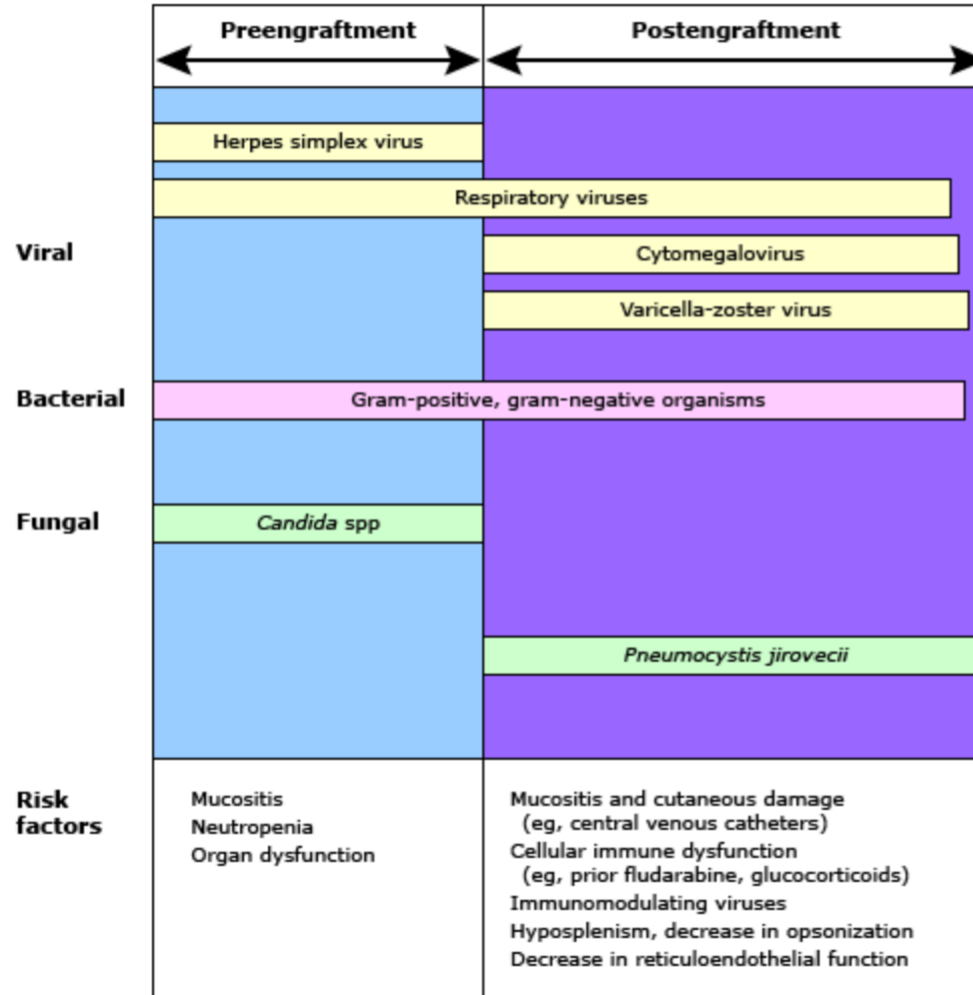


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## Typical timing of infections among autologous hematopoietic cell recipients receiving antimicrobial prophylaxis

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## DEFINITIONS OF PROPHYLAXIS AND PRE-EMPTIVE THERAPY

Approaches to the prevention of infection in HCT recipients include primary prophylaxis, secondary prophylaxis, and pre-emptive therapy.

- **Primary prophylaxis** – Primary prophylaxis involves the administration of an antimicrobial drug to prevent infection in patients at increased risk.
- **Secondary prophylaxis** – Secondary prophylaxis involves the administration of prophylactic doses of an antimicrobial drug to prevent recurrent infection.
- **Pre-emptive therapy** – Pre-emptive therapy involves starting antimicrobial therapy based upon screening with a sensitive assay (eg, polymerase chain reaction) in an attempt to detect early infection. The goal of pre-emptive therapy is to avoid progression to invasive disease. Pre-emptive therapy may be favored over prophylaxis when the antimicrobial therapy is particularly toxic (eg, for cytomegalovirus). (See '[Pre-emptive therapy](#)' below.)

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| Patient profile              | Recommendations  | Timing and duration   |
|------------------------------|--|---|
| CMV+/- with heterologous HCT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>letermovir (480 mg orally or IV QD or, in patients taking cyclosporine, 240 mg QF)</li></ul> plus <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>prophylaxis for HSV/VZV, if needed</li></ul> or <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>ganciclovir from day -8 to day -2, followed by high-dose valacyclovir (2 g p.o. Q8h) with Q2W qPCR</li></ul> | From HCT until week 14 week.<br><br>From HCT until engraftment or longer in patients on glucocorticoids |
| CMV+ with autologous HCT     | Risk/benefit assessment  |   |
| EBV in high-risk             | QW EBV DNA qPCR for three months after transplant.<br>Pre-emptive strategies for high EBV viral loads to prevent post-transplantation lymphoproliferative disorder (PTLD): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>reduction of immunosuppression,</li><li>anti-CD20 mAb (rituximab)</li><li>EBV-specific cytotoxic T cells.</li></ul>   |   |

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| VZV IgG-        | VZV Ig as PEP  |  |
| VZV IgG+        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• valacyclovir (500 mg p.o. Q12h)</li><li>or</li><li>• oral acyclovir (800 mg p.o. Q12h)</li></ul>   | At least 1y. Continue for 6 mo after discontinuation of immunosuppressive therapy. |
| HSV IgG+        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• i.v. acyclovir (5 mg/kg IV Q12h or 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV Q12h)</li><li>or</li><li>• oral acyclovir (400 or 800 mg p.o., Q12h)</li><li>or</li><li>• valacyclovir (500 mg p.o. Q12h)</li></ul> | From conditioning until engraftment or until mucositis resolves.                   |



- Antiviral prophylaxis compared with no treatment/placebo or pre-emptive treatment, reduced:
  - all-cause mortality (RR 0.83, 95% CI 0.7–0.99; 15 trials,  $I^2 = 0\%$ ),
  - CMV disease (RR 0.54, 95% CI 0.34–0.85;  $n = 15$ ,  $I^2 = 20\%$ )
  - HSV disease (RR 0.29, 95% CI 0.2–0.43;  $n = 13$ ,  $I^2 = 18\%$ )all with high-certainty evidence.
- Antiviral prophylaxis did not result in increased adverse event rates overall or more discontinuation due to adverse events.

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