

# **B** CELLS IN CANCER BIOLOGY

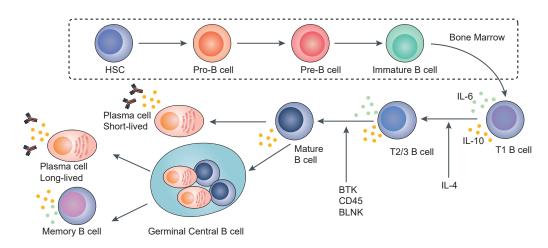
Recent research has proved B cells' dual role in cancer immunotherapy. Tumor-infiltrating B cells can show both protumor and antitumor effects, depending on the tumor microenvironment, phenotypes of B cells present, and antibodies they produce.

B cells and plasma cells support antitumor immune responses through several mechanisms. Plasma cell secretion of tumor cell-specific IgG1 antibodies can mediate ADCC and phagocytosis of tumor cells. B cells participate in the presentation of tumor-derived antigens to CD4+ and CD8+ T cells, which can directly present tumor-associated antigens they've captured via B cell receptors. And produced support the uptake of tumor antigens by TAMs and dendritic cells. In addition, B cells may promote antitumor immunity through the release of cytokines driving cytotoxic immune responses. B tumor cells using granzyme B and TRAIL.

B cells and plasma cells may promote tumor growth through immunosuppressive cytokines that promote immunosuppressive phenotypes myeloid cells, promote Treg cell development, and suppress or misdirect effector T cell respons-The latter processes could be linked to B cells presenting tumor-derived antigens, which could be aided by PDL1 expression. B cells can also produce antibodies that are ineffective at mediating antitumor responses, such as antibody classes that do not facilitate antigen presentation or mediate ADCC and tumor phagocytosis, or IgG1 antibody specificities that do not elicit an efficient T cell response or innate cell attack.

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# B cell differentiation pathways



### 2 Anti-tumor and pro-tumor activity of B cells

#### **Anti-tumor Activity of B cells Pro-tumor Activity of B cells** IFNv II -12 MHC II CD4+ T cell MHC I IL-10 IFNγ, TGFβ IL-12 TGFβ Treg cell T<sub>⊔</sub>1 cell CD40L IL-10. PD-1 CD8+ T cell 'M2-like' IL-35 CD40 macrophage CD4+ T cell TGFβ IL-10 Effector T cell IFNv 0 CD8+ 'M1-like Tumor-associated PMN-MDSC macrophage neutrophil 0 TCR 00 Phagocytosis мнс ії 0 0 NK cell ADCC Tumor cells B cell

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