

# Simplified Map of NMOSD/MOGAD

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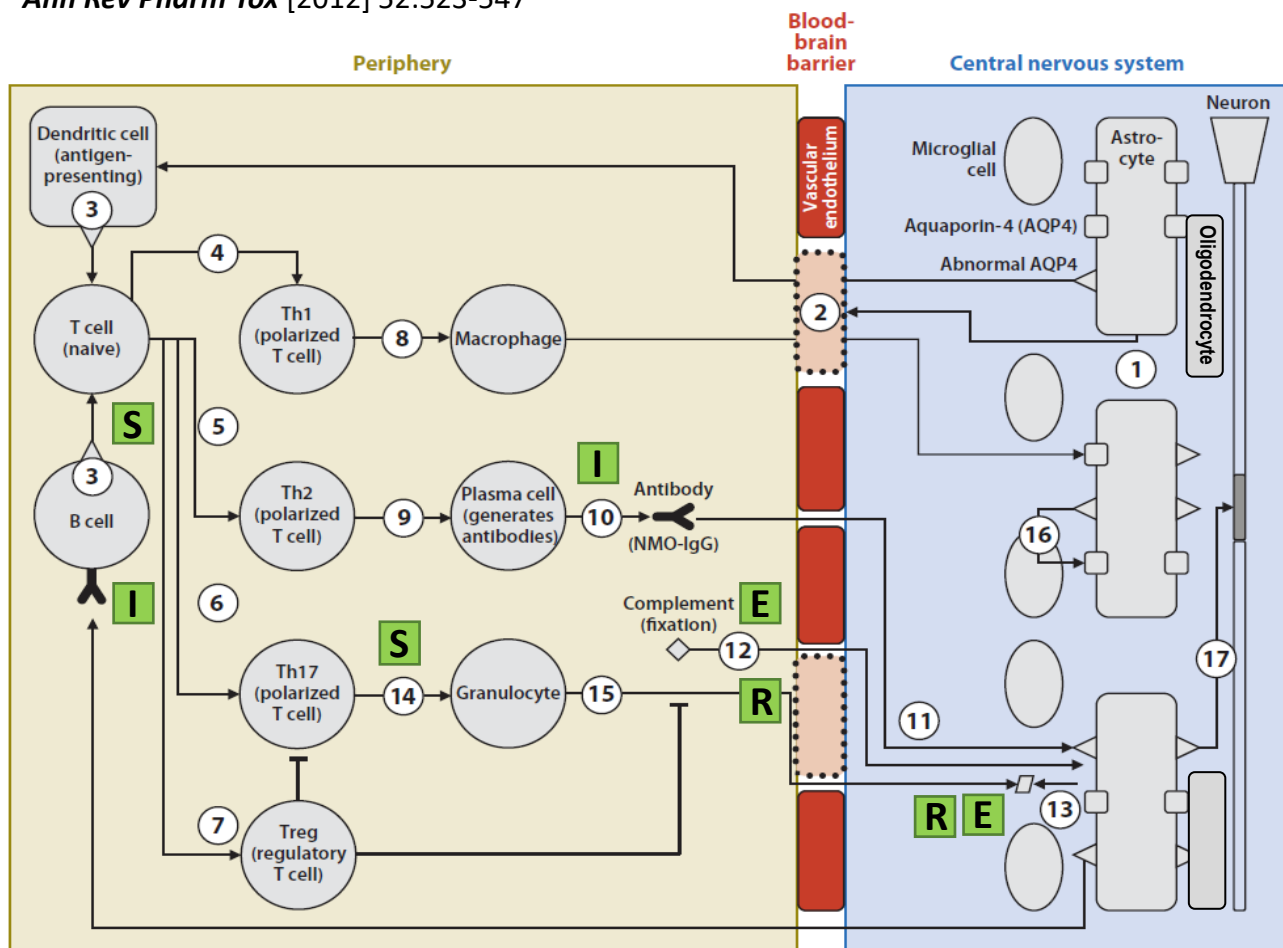


Figure 6

Hypothesized therapeutic targets and candidates in neuromyelitis optica (NMO). Each number represents a potential target for therapeutic intervention on the basis of emerging evidence: 1, suppression of astrocyte proinflammatory signals (e.g.,  $\alpha$ -IL-6,  $\alpha$ -TNF); 2, restoration of the blood-brain barrier (also termed the neurovascular unit; e.g.,  $\alpha$ -VEGF-A); 3, interference of dendritic cell, T cell, and B cell interactions and inflammatory second-signals (e.g.,  $\alpha$ -CD40/CD40L or  $\alpha$ -CD80/CD86/CD28); 4, interference with Th1 polarization (e.g.,  $\alpha$ -T<sub>bet</sub>,  $\alpha$ -STAT4, or  $\alpha$ -IL-12); 5, inhibition of Th2 or B cell activation events (e.g.,  $\alpha$ -BAFF/BLyS); 6, inhibition of Th17 polarization (e.g.,  $\alpha$ -ROR $\gamma$ T or  $\alpha$ -IL-23); 7, activation of autoimmune-modulating systems (e.g., CTLA4 or adoptive transfer of Tregs); 8, hypothetical blockade of Th1 cytokines (e.g., interferon- $\gamma$ ); 9, inhibition of key Th2 cytokines (e.g.,  $\alpha$ -IL-4,  $\alpha$ -IL-5, or  $\alpha$ -IL-13); 10, inhibition of B cell subsets such as proplasma (e.g., CD19<sup>+</sup>CD20<sup>-</sup>), naive (e.g., CD19<sup>+</sup>CD20<sup>+</sup>), and plasma (e.g., CD19<sup>+</sup>CD20<sup>-</sup>CD138<sup>+</sup>) B cells; 11, innovative approaches to develop protective antibody responses (e.g., beneficial monoclonal antibody or induction of  $\alpha$ -idiotypic networks via development of tolerance); 12, complement inhibition (e.g.,  $\alpha$ -C1q,  $\alpha$ -C5); 13, inhibition of specific inflammatory consequences of complement fixation (e.g.,  $\alpha$ -C5a) or related chemotactic signals (e.g., chemokines), or induction of complement-modulating mechanisms (e.g., CD59, decay-accelerating factor, or C1-INH); 14, blockade of Th17 pathway cytokines (e.g.,  $\alpha$ -IL-17,  $\alpha$ -IL-22,  $\alpha$ -IL-23); 15, inhibition of inflammatory mechanisms of granulocytes (e.g., chemotaxis, elastase); 16, restoration of immune tolerance; 17, repair of central nervous system injury through tissue regeneration. Abbreviations: AQP4, aquaporin-4; BAFF, B cell activating factor; BLyS, B lymphocyte stimulator; CTLA, cytotoxic T lymphocyte-associated antigen; IL, interleukin; INH, inhibitor; ROR, retinoic acid-related orphan receptor; STAT, signal transduction activator of transcription; TNF, tumor necrosis factor; Treg, regulatory T cell; VEGF, vascular endothelial growth factor. (See also the Supplemental Visualizing NMO tool; follow the Supplemental Materials link from the Annual Reviews home page at

## Notes:

### FDA Approved Therapies [2024]

**E** Eculizumab (*Soliris*)

**I** Inebilizumab (*Uplizna*)

**S** Satralizumab (*Enspryng*)

**R** Ravulizumab (*Ultomiris*)