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# Negative Regulation of Lymphocyte Activation

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Lymphocyte Suppression involves interference with, or restraint of, the production and activity of lymphocytes. Formed in lymphoid tissue, lymphocytes are white blood cells that can generally be classified as either T- or B-cells. T-lymphocytes provide cell-mediated immunity, while B-lymphocytes produce antibodies that provide humoral immunity. Suppression decreases the ability of lymphocytes to mount an immune response to invading substances.