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*Abstract*

Therapeutic potential for targeting regulatory cells for the treatment of multiple sclerosis

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Multiple sclerosis (MS) is a chronic demyelinating disease of presumed autoimmune pathogenesis. Regarding the pathogenesis of MS, studies have indicated that autoimmune T cells targeting myelin components play a crucial role in mediating the inflammatory process. It is now widely accepted that regulatory cells are involved in the prevention of or recovery from autoimmune diseases. The present review will focus on the potential role of three different types of regulatory cells including CD4<sup>+</sup>CD25<sup>+</sup>T cells, NK cell and NKT cells in the control of pathogenesis of MS. The recent advances in glycolipid therapy targeting NKT cells for autoimmune disease models will also be discussed.

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