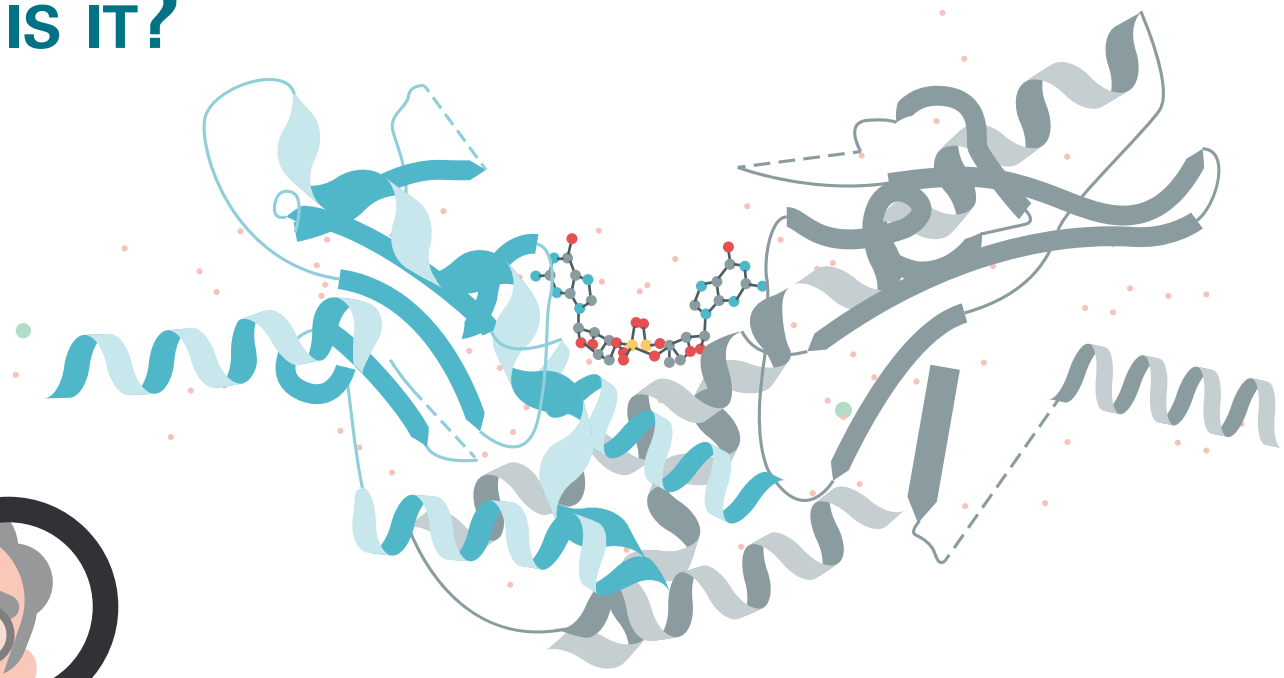


STING

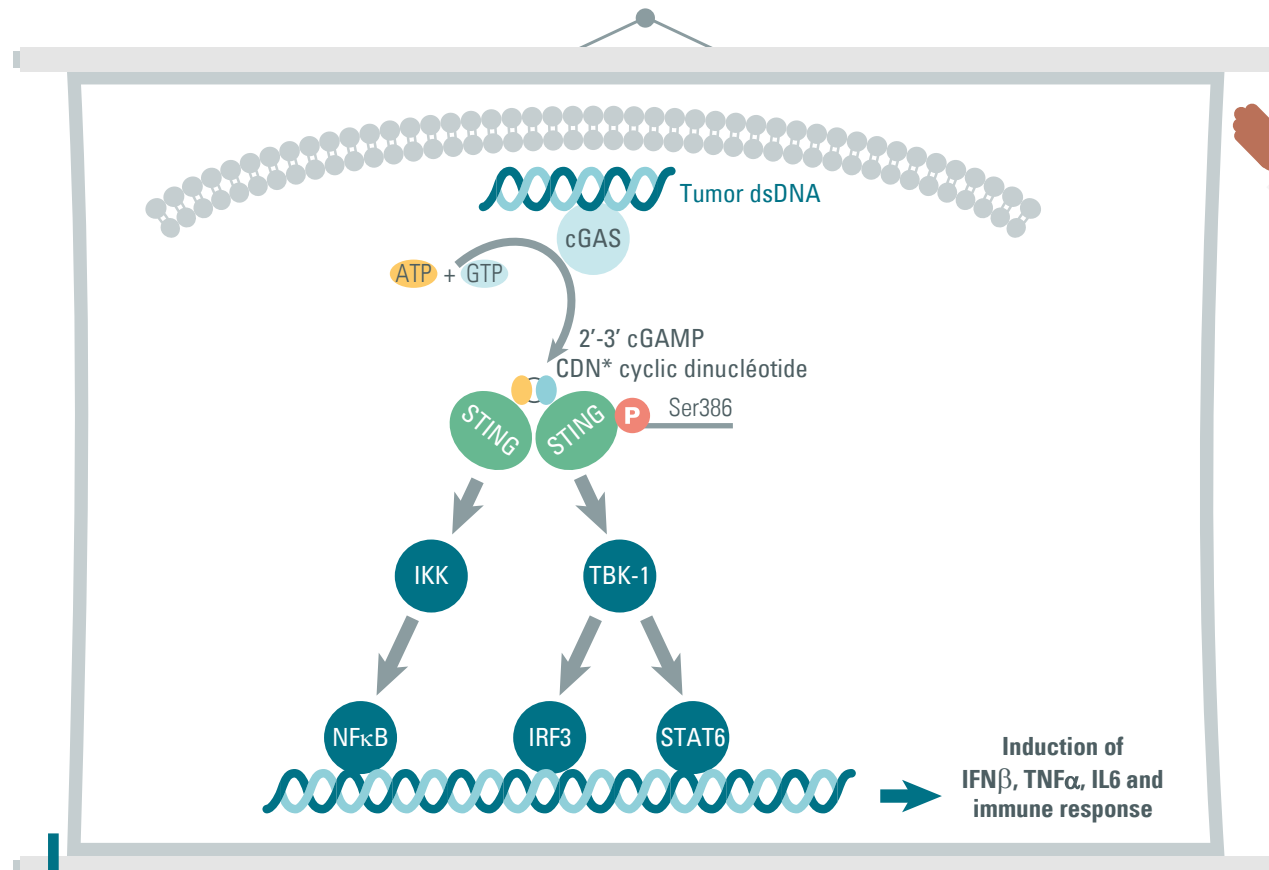
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WHAT IS IT?

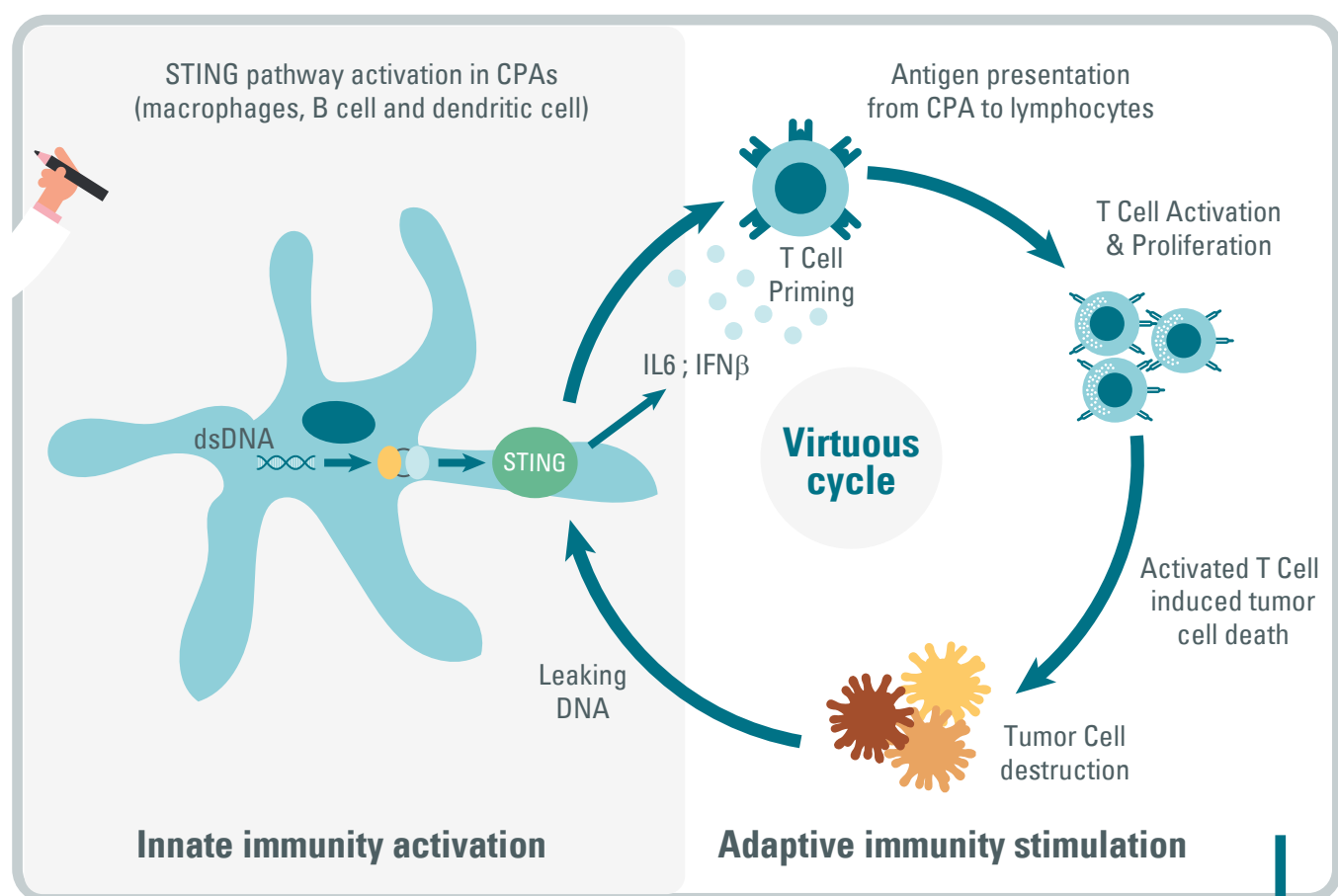


STING (Stimulation of Interferon Genes)
 2008 : STING discovery (1)
 2013 : CGAS discovery (2)
 Innate immunity actor
 Induces IFN β & IL1 production
 May enhance anti-tumor response

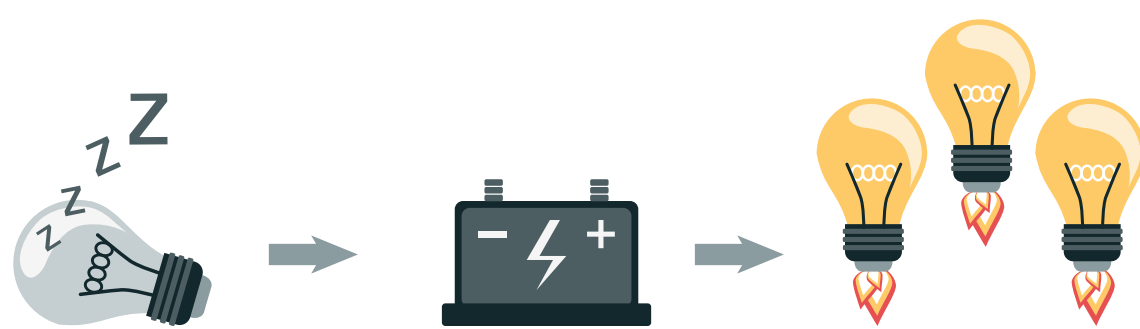
HOW DOES IT WORK?



WHICH CELLS ARE INVOLVED?



WHY TARGET STING?



| STING | Synthetic agonist | Activated STING |
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| Tumor cells have mechanisms to hide from patient's immune responses. STING pathway remains dormant. | To activate the STING pathway, an agonist which mimics STING's natural ligand is synthesized. | The agonist can be administered directly into the tumor area. It will activate STING. Patient's immunity is stimulated. |

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