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HLA polymorphism maintenance.

Dear Dr Black –

For the past 20 or 30 years I have queried whether viruses emerging from cells of a given HLA type might not carry a phenotypic auto-tolerant masking. *

Cf the host-controlled restriction of bacteriophages; though I had more by way of immune interactions in mind.

* and v.v., re rejection of heterologous?

Why else would we have evolved the rejection of allografts?

Do you know of any evidence on this possibility?

Sincerely,
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