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The activation of T cells, leading to the release of lymphokines and to the activation of macrophages and cytotoxic T cells.

the binding aided by other molecules such as CD4. Activation of the T cells may be recognized in several ways: the T cells enlarge, become blastoid, and divide. While these events can be seen by direct visualization, such observations are difficult and tedious. Consequently, direct visualization has been replaced by a widely used assay that measures proliferation of cells.