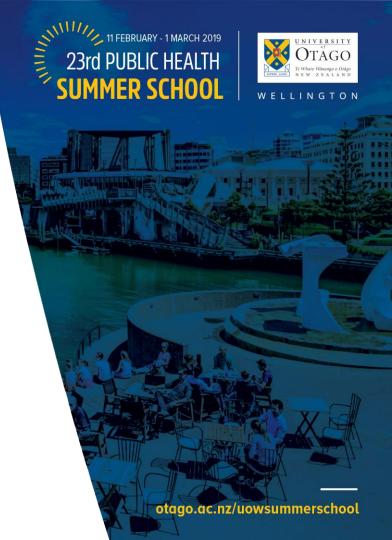
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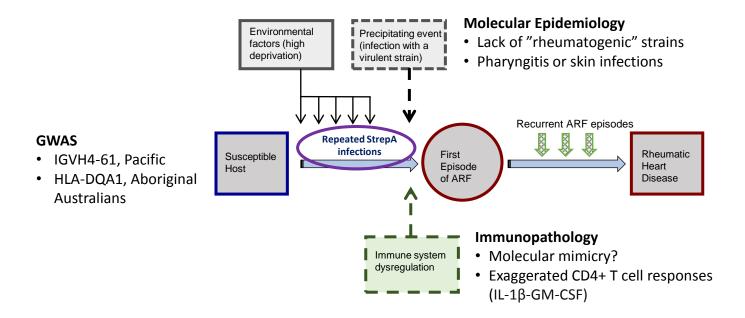


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Immune Priming Hypothesis





- **1967**, Zabriskie observed a single case of recurrent ARF with 2 previous StrepA infections 8 years apart.
- Proposed that repeated exposures to StrepA required to "prime" the immune system for an autoimmune reaction.

Retrospective mapping of StrepA exposure

