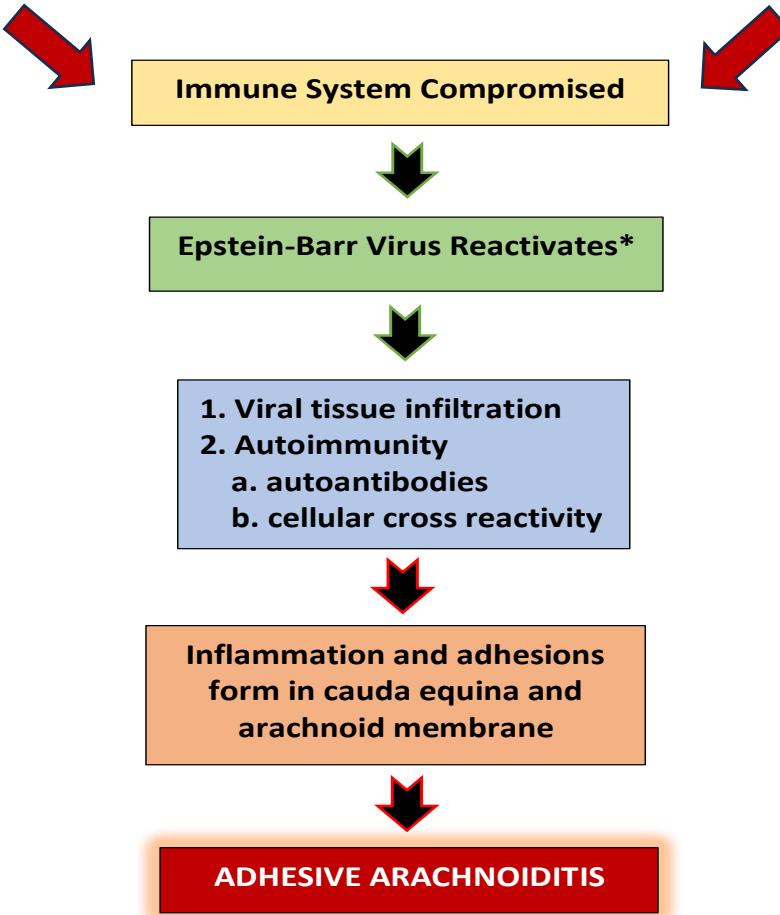




THE PATHOLOGIC PATHWAY TO ADHESIVE ARACHNOIDITIS (AA)

	<u>INCITING EVENT+</u>		<u>PREDISPOSING DISEASE</u>
A	Trauma	A	Genetic connective tissue disease
B	Infection	B	Autoimmune disease
C	Spinal fluid contamination	C	Spinal anatomic abnormality



+Trauma, infection, or spinal fluid contamination that severely affects the lumbar-sacral spine may initially bypass viral reactivation and autoimmunity and cause AA. Viral reactivation will, however, usually occur later and accelerate the development of AA.

*Other viruses and some bacteria may also reactivate and/or accompany and accentuate EBV reactivation.

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