

Cells of the Immune System

Mature stem cells



Illustration by <u>Cell Imaging Core</u> of the Center for Reproductive Sciences.

• All immune system cell develop from the stem cells

Cells of the Immune System





- Myeloid series cells
 - -Monocyte-Macrophage
 - -Neutrophils
 - -Eosinophils
 - -Basophils
 - -Mast Cells (origin unknown)
 - -Erythrocyte
 - -Platelets
- Lymphoid series cells
 - -B lymphocyte
 - -T lymphocyte
 - NK cell

Myeloid Series Cells



• Polymorphnuclear Series Cells

- segmented
- -irregular nucleus
- -there are granules in the cytoplasm
- -Cells are given according to the diffrent dyes of the granules
 - Eosinophils –asidic dyes (eosin)
 - basic paints (hematoxylin)
 - What are acidic basic dyes, neutrophils

Neutrophils





- 10-12 µm in blood
- They are the most dense cells of blood leukocytes(30-75%)
- Consists of fine granules that do not paint
- Myeloperoxidase, lysozyme, cathepsin, lactoferrin, etc. in granules. enzymes are found
- They pass from blood to tissue.
- Life expectancy is several days
- Surface molecules: immunoglobulin receptor, complement receptor, adhesion molecules, MHC molecules, cytokine receptors

Neutrophils





- Phagocytosis is the most important task
- The first and fastest phagocytosis of foreign molecules to the body the first line of defense
- Low phagocytosis capacity
- Can participate in the inflamaiton

Eosinophils



- Painted with acidic dyes(eosine)
- Diameters of 12-14µm



- They constitute 2-10% of leukocytes in blood
- Granules contain eosinophil peroxidase and acid phosphatase enzymes
- Matures on the spleen
- Localized in skin and mucous membranes
- More effective against parasites
- Can participate in the inflamaiton
- Can make phagocytosis
- Half-Life : in blood 30 minnute µm in tissue 12 day
- Surface molecules are the same as neutrophils

Basophils



- Minimum cell type (0.5%)
- Painted with basic dyes (hematoxylin)
- Diameters of 10-14µm
- Its not normally found outside the vein but it can migrate to the tissues.
- Can participate in the inflamation (histamin)
- But can not do phagocytosis
- Surface molecules are the same as neutrophils





Mononuclear Phagocytic Cells

- Macrophages
- (Bone marrow) Monoblast → promonocyte → monocyte → (Blood) → transition to tissues → mature macrophage
- Connective Tissue→histiocytes
- $Liver \rightarrow Kupffer \ cell$
- Brain→microglia
- $\text{Kidney} \rightarrow \text{mesengial cells}$



Maturation of Macrophages



Macrophages



- Macrophages have different morphological structure and size depending on their location.
- Macrophages in liquid size 15µm
- Intracytoplasmic organelles are more-protein synthesis
- Surface molecules are the same as neutrophils
- Their life is approximately 100 days

Macrophages



- Main Tasks:
- Phagocytosis: They start phagocytosis later than neutrophils, but they do it repeatedly and repeatedly during their lifetime.
- Antigen processing and presentation
- Cytokine synthesis
- Wound healing

Mast Cells

- Similar to basophils but not clear in origin
- Connective tissue mast cells:
- Diameters of 20 µm
- Large granules (such as histamine-heparin)
- Life span of more than 6 months
- It acts against allergy and inflammation
- Mucosal mast cells:
- -Diameters of 10 µm
- -Lifa span of less than 40 days
- -Small number of granules (prostaglandin, leukotriene)
- -It acts against allergy and inflammation
- -IgE receptor available- it acts against parasitic



Overview





Lymphoid Series Cells



- Myeloid series cells
 - -Monocyte-Macrophage
 - -Neutrophils
 - -Eosinophils
 - -Basophils
 - -Mast Cells (origin unknown)
 - -Erythrocyte
 - -Platelets

Lymphoid series cells

- -B lymphocyte
- -T lymphocyte
- NK cell

Lymphocytes



- Specific immune cells
- Diameters is 7-15 µm and spherical structures
- It is found in lymphoid organs and different tissues and organs
- There are other subgroups with B and T lymphocytes
- Lymphocyte species have no morphological differences.

Lymphocytes



• Surface Molecules

- Antigen Receptors
- Immunoglobulin Receptor
- Complement Receptor
- Adhesion Molecules
- MHC Molecules
- Cytokine Receptors





B Lymphocytes



- Cells response for hummoral immune response
- Small amount in peripheral blood
- They are localized in lymphoid tissues
- A B cell contains 200.000-500.000 antigen receptors
- Antigenic stimulation results in the activation of B cells into plasma cells

Plasma cell



- Diameter is 8-9 µm. Their structure is ovoid.
- Rich in intracytoplasmic organelles
- Protein(Antibody) synthesis
- Can produce up to million IG in an hour
- They produce antibodies for 3 days to 4 weeks

T Lymphocytes

- Effective Cellular immun response
- Up to 80% of the lymphocytes in the peripheral blood are T lymphocytes
- Different subtypes different surface receptors(Helper T-lymphocyte CD4 + CD8-)





T cell Differentiation



Helper T lymphocytes



- Effective in humoral and cellular immune response
- Th1 cells :- IL2, interferon gamma synthesis initiates celluler immune response
- Th2 cells:- IL-4,IL-5,IL-10,IL-13 synthesis
 initiates humoral immune response
- Th0 cells: Th1 and Th2 are precursors

Cytotoxic T lymphocytes

- Responsible for immune response to endogenous antigens
- They are also remove foreign organ transplantations and cancer cells
- Against autoreactive T lymphocytes (suppressor cells)
- Cytoplasms contain granules containing perforin and granzyme
- Destroys target cell by apoptosis





Memory B and T cells

- Long lived cells
- They are active at the second entry of the same antigen
- They have different surface molecules

Natural Killer (NK) Cells



- Lymphoid series cells
- 15% in peripheral blood
- They will not stop at Thymus
- No antigen receptors
- Intracytoplasmic granules contain granzyme and perforin
- Destroys target cell by apoptosis



