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Leukocytes

-**Leukocytes**: are white blood cells that protect our bodies from infections and foreign bodies, they include five main types: neutrophils, eosinophils, basophils, lymphocytes and monocytes.

-**Monocytes** are cells circulating in the blood, that differentiate into **macrophages**, when they go into tissue.

-**Leukocytes ROLE**:

1) PMNs and Macrophages

PMN “polymorphonuclear leukocytes” (granular leukocytes): a type of immune cells that have granules (small particles) containing enzymes that would be released during infection, allergic reactions and asthma.

Neutrophils, eosinophils and basophils are **examples of PMNs**.

2) Recruitment and migration to tissue.

3) Elimination of the enemy (phagocytosis).

4) Migration of leukocytes from BV (**blood vessels**) to tissue is a multi-step process: adhesions (weak then strong), transmigration then movement towards the enemy area.

-The **two predominant cells** at the cellular phase are **neutrophils and macrophages** → they get **recruited** to the tissue → they are the ones that enhance phagocytosis or try to kill the invaders especially pathogens.

-The cellular phase of the acute inflammation response immediately **overlaps** with the immune vascular phase.

-In the cellular phase, **leukocytes** have to move from the **intravascular compartment** to the **interstitial compartment (the site of injury)** and this process is a multi-step process which is organized with activators.

-The following table shows the **differences** between neutrophils and macrophages:

*details in the table will be discussed during this sheet and the next one. Just read now

TABLE 3.3 Properties of Neutrophils and Macrophages

	Neutrophils	Macrophages
Origin	HSCs in bone marrow	- HSCs in bone marrow (in inflammatory reactions) - Many tissue-resident macrophages: stem cells in yolk sac or fetal liver (early in development)
Life span in tissues	1–2 days	Inflammatory macrophages: days or weeks Tissue-resident macrophages: years
Responses to activating stimuli	Rapid, short-lived, mostly degranulation and enzymatic activity	More prolonged, slower, often dependent on new gene transcription
- Reactive oxygen species	Rapidly induced by assembly of phagocyte oxidase (respiratory burst)	Less prominent
- Nitric oxide	Low levels or none	Induced following transcriptional activation of iNOS
- Degranulation	Major response; induced by cytoskeletal rearrangement	Not prominent
- Cytokine production	Low levels or none	Major functional activity, requires transcriptional activation of cytokine genes
- NET formation	Rapidly induced, by extrusion of nuclear contents	No
- Secretion of lysosomal enzymes	Prominent	Less

HSC, Hematopoietic stem cells; iNOS, inducible nitric oxide synthase; NET, neutrophil extracellular traps.
This table lists the major differences between neutrophils and macrophages. The reactions summarized above are described in the text. Note that the two cell types share many features, such as phagocytosis, ability to migrate through blood vessels into tissues, and chemotaxis.

The most important period of their life.

After it, they die.

Prominent in neutrophils.

Lysosomal enzymes are prominent in neutrophils. Neutrophils have granules containing lysozymes which can be secreted to help in the digestion process.

Can stay for days, months and sometimes more than that.

-Neutrophil extracellular traps that are networks of extracellular fibers composed of the neutrophils' DNA, which binds pathogens and microbes (they are trapped).

-Happens in neutrophils, after they die.

-How do the leukocytes move from inside the blood vessels to the surrounding tissue? (ADHESION (WBCs to endothelium))

- 1) Margination.
- 2) Rolling.
- 3) Adhesion.
- 4) Transmigration.

-The whole process is called diapedesis, but some people say that diapedesis expresses the transmigration step when the cells penetrate the basement membrane and get outside.

-This process takes a little time and it has activators, proteins and mediators.

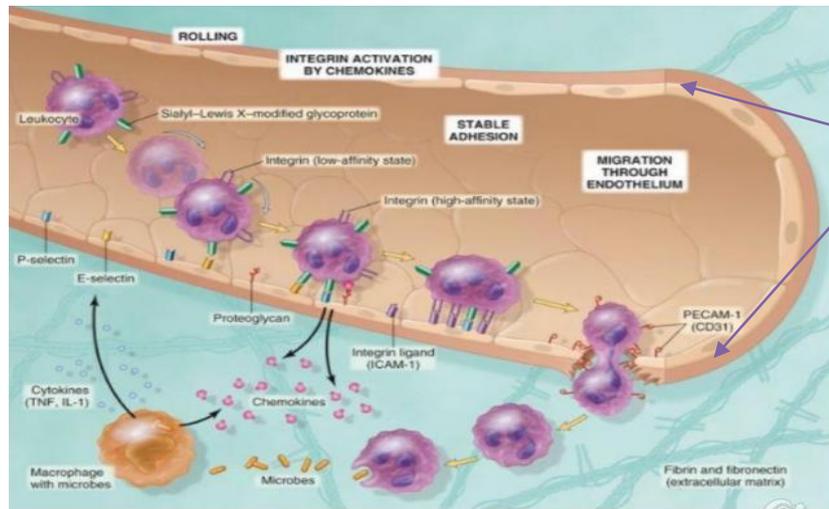


FIG. 3.4 The multistep process of leukocyte migration through blood vessels, shown here...

Both sides of the basement membrane

The first step (Margination):

- When the flow in the blood vessels is **normal** (flows from the heart to the periphery and from the periphery to the heart) → most of the cells are in the **center of the lumen**.
- When the injury occurs → the leukocytes move from the center of the lumen **towards** the wall of the blood vessel.
- Margination: **movement** of leukocytes during the early phases of cellular response from the center of the lumen towards the wall of the blood vessel.

The second step (Rolling):

- When the leukocytes start **rolling much closer** to the wall of the blood vessel.
- ** the rolling process is caused by the loose adhesion of the leukocyte to the endothelium, this loose adhesion is done by a protein called **selectin**.

The third step (Adhering):

- Selectins** and **integrins** attach to the leukocytes.
- The initial slowing down of the movement and rolling of the leukocytes is mediated by selectins → a big family of proteins that exist on the **endothelial surface** and on the **leukocytes**.
- Selectins (**cause initial weak adhesion of leukocytes to endothelial cells**) → the movement becomes slower and slower → another group of proteins are activated on the leukocytes called integrins (**integrins would gain a higher affinity to endothelial cells**) → firm adhesion with the endothelium.

((an extra note: integrins originally exist on leukocytes with low affinity to endothelial cells, after activating them by certain mediators “chemokines” they acquire high affinity to endothelial cells))

** so there are 2 types of adhesion : **loose**, caused by selectins and **firm**, caused by integrins.

The final step (Transmigration):

-**Stimulation** by another mediator called **PECAM-1** (platelet endothelial cell adhesion molecule) or **CD31** which secretes proteins. mainly, Collagenases (which remove collagen 4 from the basement membrane), and proteases → they penetrate the basement membrane → then leukocytes would go to the site of injury. The basement membrane’s main components → (Collagen 4, Laminin).

Migration → **Rolling** → **Selectins (weak affinity)** → **Movement is slower** → **Integrins (high affinity)** → then leukocytes penetrate the basement membrane and get outside.

Summary

Leukocyte Recruitment to Sites of Inflammation

- Leukocytes are recruited from the blood into the extravascular tissue where infectious pathogens or damaged tissues may be located, migrate to the site of infection or tissue injury, and are activated to perform their functions.
- Leukocyte recruitment is a multistep process consisting of loose attachment to and rolling on endothelium (mediated by selectins); firm attachment to endothelium (mediated by integrins); and migration through interendothelial gaps.
- Various cytokines promote the expression of selectins and integrin ligands on endothelium (TNF, IL-1), increase the avidity of integrins for their ligands (chemokines), and promote directional migration of leukocytes (also chemokines). Tissue macrophages and other cells responding to the pathogens or damaged tissues produce many of these cytokines.
- Neutrophils predominate in the early inflammatory infiltrate and are later replaced by monocytes and macrophages.



TABLE 3.4 Endothelial and Leukocyte Adhesion Molecules

Family	Molecule	Distribution	Ligand
Selectin	L-selectin (CD62L)	Neutrophils, monocytes T cells (naïve and central memory) B cells (naïve)	Sialyl-Lewis X/PNAd on GlyCAM-1, CD34, MAdCAM-1, others; expressed on endothelium (HEV)
	E-selectin (CD62E)	Endothelium activated by cytokines (TNF, IL-1)	Sialyl-Lewis X (e.g., CLA) on glycoproteins; expressed on neutrophils, monocytes, T cells (effector, memory)
	P-selectin (CD62P)	Endothelium activated by cytokines (TNF, IL-1), histamine, or thrombin; platelets	Sialyl-Lewis X on PSGL-1 and other glycoproteins; expressed on neutrophils, monocytes, T cells (effector, memory)
Integrin	LFA-1 (CD11aCD18)	Neutrophils, monocytes, T cells (naïve, effector, memory)	ICAM-1 (CD54), ICAM-2 (CD102); expressed on endothelium (upregulated on activated endothelium)
	MAC-1 (CD11bCD18)	Monocytes, DCs	ICAM-1 (CD54), ICAM-2 (CD102); expressed on endothelium (upregulated on activated endothelium)
	VLA-4 (CD49aCD29)	Monocytes T cells (naïve, effector, memory)	VCAM-1 (CD106); expressed on endothelium (upregulated on activated endothelium)
	$\alpha 4\beta 7$ (CD49D/CD29)	Monocytes T cells (gut homing naïve effector, memory)	VCAM-1 (CD106), MAdCAM-1; expressed on endothelium in gut and gut-associated lymphoid tissues
Ig	CD31	Endothelial cells, leukocytes	CD31 (homotypic interaction)

Chemotaxis

- **Chemotaxis**: the movement of WBCs from the intravascular compartment (blood vessels) to the site of injury. It's induced by mediators called Chemoattractants.
- **Chemoattractants**: strong mediators that induce chemotaxis (stimulate the movement of leukocytes); they can be either exogenous or endogenous.
- Chemoattractants → chemotactic agents → mediators of inflammation

Exogenous

Bacterial products → peptides with N- formyl methionine termini of certain bacterial products are strong exogenous chemoattractants.

Endogenous

1) **Cytokines (chemokine family)** → a big family of chemical mediators produced mainly by lymphocytes and inflammatory cells like macrophages.

2) **Components of the complement system** (small amounts of small proteins that are circulating)

- Complement 3 → C3A (when it's active)

- Complement system molecules are very important and responsible for the pathogenesis of many **inflammatory** and **non-inflammatory** diseases.

- In the complement system → C5A is the strongest chemoattractant.

3) **Leukotrienes prostaglandins** → are major byproducts when you degrade **arachidonic acid (AA)**.

- Leukotriene B4 → a strong chemoattractant from the **lipoxygenase pathway** of arachidonic acid (AA) metabolism.

- **AN EXTRA NOTE:** When strongly activated, leukocytes can cause tissue damage and prolonged inflammation → this may cause collateral damage of normal cells → to avoid this problem → scientists made some drugs that control the harmful effects of inflammation, (agents) that block TNFs (Tumor Necrosis Factors) which are major cytokines in leukocytes requirement to the tissue.

WBCs infiltrate the tissue

- Cellular entering into tissue (**infiltration**) differs **depending** on the age of the **inflammatory** response **and** the **type of stimulus**.

1) **Neutrophils:** they infiltrate the tissue during the **early 6-24 hours** of inflammation (**during the acute phase**). Then they gradually disappear from the tissue due to their short life span which is about 2 days (**they die by apoptosis**) and are replaced by monocytes (**which differentiate into macrophages**) or lymphocytes.

2) **Macrophages and lymphocytes:** they infiltrate the tissue **after 24-48 hours** of inflammation, when all neutrophils are almost dead. They survive longer than neutrophils and may remain in the tissue, as in prolonged chronic inflammations (**they can proliferate**).

3) **Eosinophils:** they infiltrate the tissue in 2 situations, in **allergic reactions**, like asthma, or in **parasitic infections**.

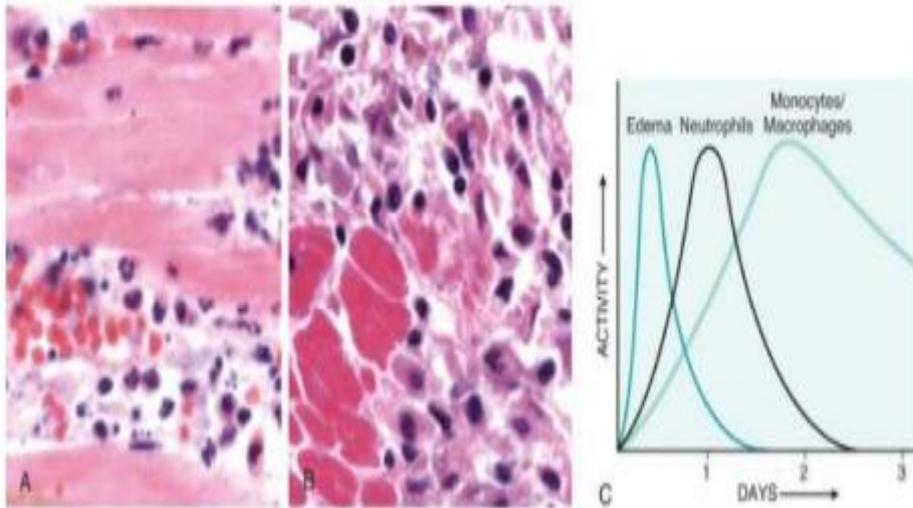


FIG. 3.5 Nature of leukocyte infiltrates in inflammatory reactions. The photomicrograp...

-According to the above pictures:

- Picture **A** and **B** are photomicrographs that show an inflammatory reaction in myocardium after ischemic necrosis.

-**A**: a longitudinal section shows early neutrophilic infiltrates.

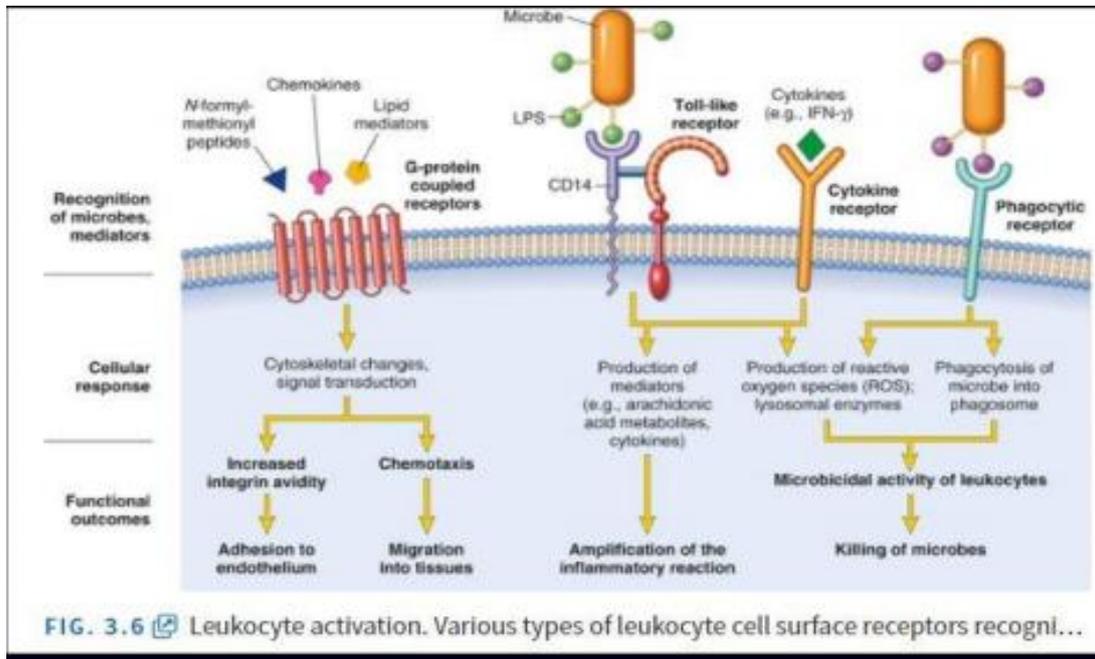
-**B**: a cross section shows macrophagal infiltrates. The inflammatory tissue started to digest normal cells.

-**C**: it's a diagram that helps to know the age of the inflammatory response.

1) **Edema (early vascular phase)**: is initiated by histamine and causes vasodilatation.

2) **Neutrophils**: they become recruited by chemotactic agents (chemoattractants), and then they gradually die.

3) **Macrophages**: they peak at day 2 and may remain in the tissue.



-This picture **summarizes** the leukocyte activation (**several responses in leukocytes to perform their function**).

Recognition → **Vascular phase** → **Cellular phase** → **Outcomes**

-The **doctor advised** to refer back to the **above picture** after his lecture.

-We must **recognize** the structure of **neutrophils**: they are PMN “**micky mouse**” (**polymorphonuclear leukocyte**) with 3 nuclei **attached** by peptides. They have granules containing enzymes → when ruptured → enzymes are **released** and they **digest** the internal material (**foreign bodies**).



-**Monocytes**: these cells have a **phagocytic effect** with a **bean or kidney shaped nucleus**.



-To **differentiate** between the **two cells**:

- 1) a Neutrophil has **several nuclei**, while the monocyte has **one nucleus**.
- 2) Granules are **more** abundant in the neutrophil **than** in the monocyte.

“**BOTH have phagocytic effect** “

The Third “R”: Removal Of The Offending Agent

-This is done by a process called **phagocytosis** and includes **3** sequential steps:

1) recognition and attachment: **Neutrophils** and **macrophages** have to be able to **recognize** and **attach** to the enemy through certain receptors:

a) **Mannose receptor**

b) **Receptors for various opsonins** which are bound to the microbe.

-The **efficiency of phagocytosis** is greatly enhanced when microbes are opsonized (**coated**) by specific proteins called **opsonins**.

-Why **high efficiency**?

Because phagocytes express **high affinity** receptors for opsonins.

-**Examples of opsonins:** IgG and C3B (**C3B** has the strongest opsonizing effect).

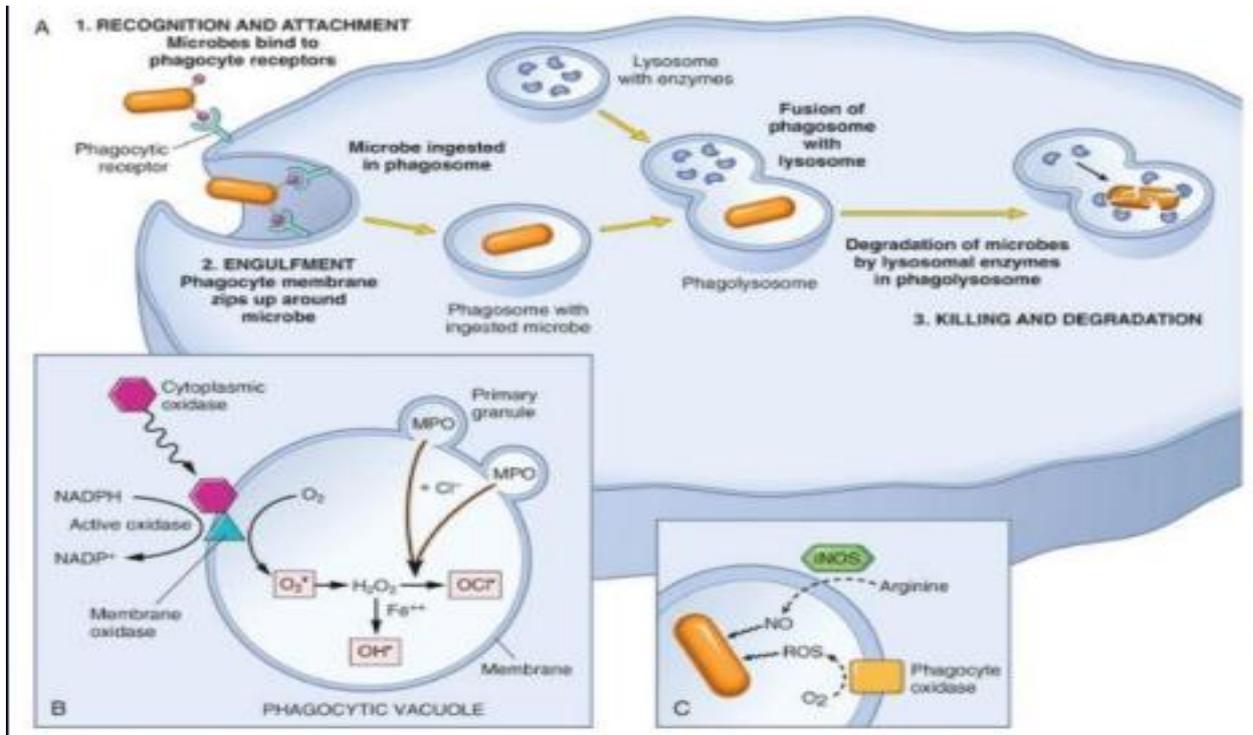
-**Opsonization:** is the process of coating microbes with opsonins (IgG and C3b).

- **NOTE:** there is a **huge difference** between **opsonization** and **chemotaxis** → C3A functions in chemotaxis but **C3b** functions as an opsonin.

-**NOTE:** when a person is **vaccinated** against a certain pathogen, it **generates** antibodies so when the body is **infected** with the pathogen **again**, it has the proper IgG antibodies **produced** by **B cells** that allow it to **respond faster** (called secondary response) -the secondary response depends on coating the microbe with the IgG antibody.

2) Engulfment: after the particle is **bound** to the phagocyte's receptor, extensions of the cytoplasm flow around it **forming** a phagosome. Then lysosomes are **induced** by mediators to **attach** to the phagosome and **fuse** with it generating a phagolysosome.

3) Killing and degradation: destruction of ingested materials is **accomplished** by ROS, reactive nitrogen species which are derived from NO, lysosomal enzymes, and enzymes **found** in granules of the neutrophil like lysozymes. All these killing mechanisms are **normally found** in phagocytes.



-The 3 pictures above, include the process of phagocytosis and internal reactions as follows:

-Pic.A: summarizes the 3 steps mentioned above.

-Pic.B: presents the reactions inside the phagosome, an enzyme called **phagocyte oxidase** is activated and catalyzes the conversion of oxygen into superoxide radical (O_2^-), then it's converted to H_2O_2 which is still not able to kill microbes efficiently. so, **Myeloperoxidase (MPO)**, present in the granules of neutrophils, converts H_2O_2 to **hypochlorite (OCl_2^-)** which is a strong antimicrobial agent that destroys microbes by defecting their lipids and proteins.

- $MPO + Cl^-$ (or any other halide) $\longrightarrow OCl_2^-$

*****MPO-halide is the most potent bactericidal system of neutrophils.**

-Pic.C: Microbicidal reactive oxygen species (ROS) and nitric oxide (NO) kill ingested microbes.

- **NO (Nitric Oxide):**

- A soluble gas

-Originates from arginine amino acid by the action of nitric oxide synthase (NOS).

-There are 3 types of NOS: inducible (iNOS), endothelial (eNOS), and neuronal (nNOS).

-All these types produce NO but only iNOS can create an NO that is capable of microbial killing (other types of NOS produce NO with different functions such as neurotransmitters).

-iNOS is stimulated by cytokines mainly IFN- γ (Interferon gama) to produce NO that can react with a superoxide radical to generate the highly reactive radical peroxynitrite (ONOO), a microbial killer.

EXTRA ADVICE, "The greater danger for most of us lies not in setting our aim too high and falling short,, but in setting our aim too low, and achieving our mark."

ALWAYS MAKE YOUR DREAMS HIGH AS CLOUDS :)

**sorry for errors, if there was.

GOOD LUCK :)