

CHAPTER NO. 13

IMMUNITY

KEY POINTS

- Immunology = The branch of biology in which we study about immune systems.
- Immune system = The defensive system of the body against pathogens or parasite.
- Defensive system of the body consists of 3-lines.
  - First line of defense, Second line of defense and Third line of defense.
- First and second lines of defense are non-specific in nature.
- Third line of defense is specific in nature.
- First line of defense consists of skin, eyes, nose, ear, mouth and stomach.

FIRST LINE OF DEFENSE

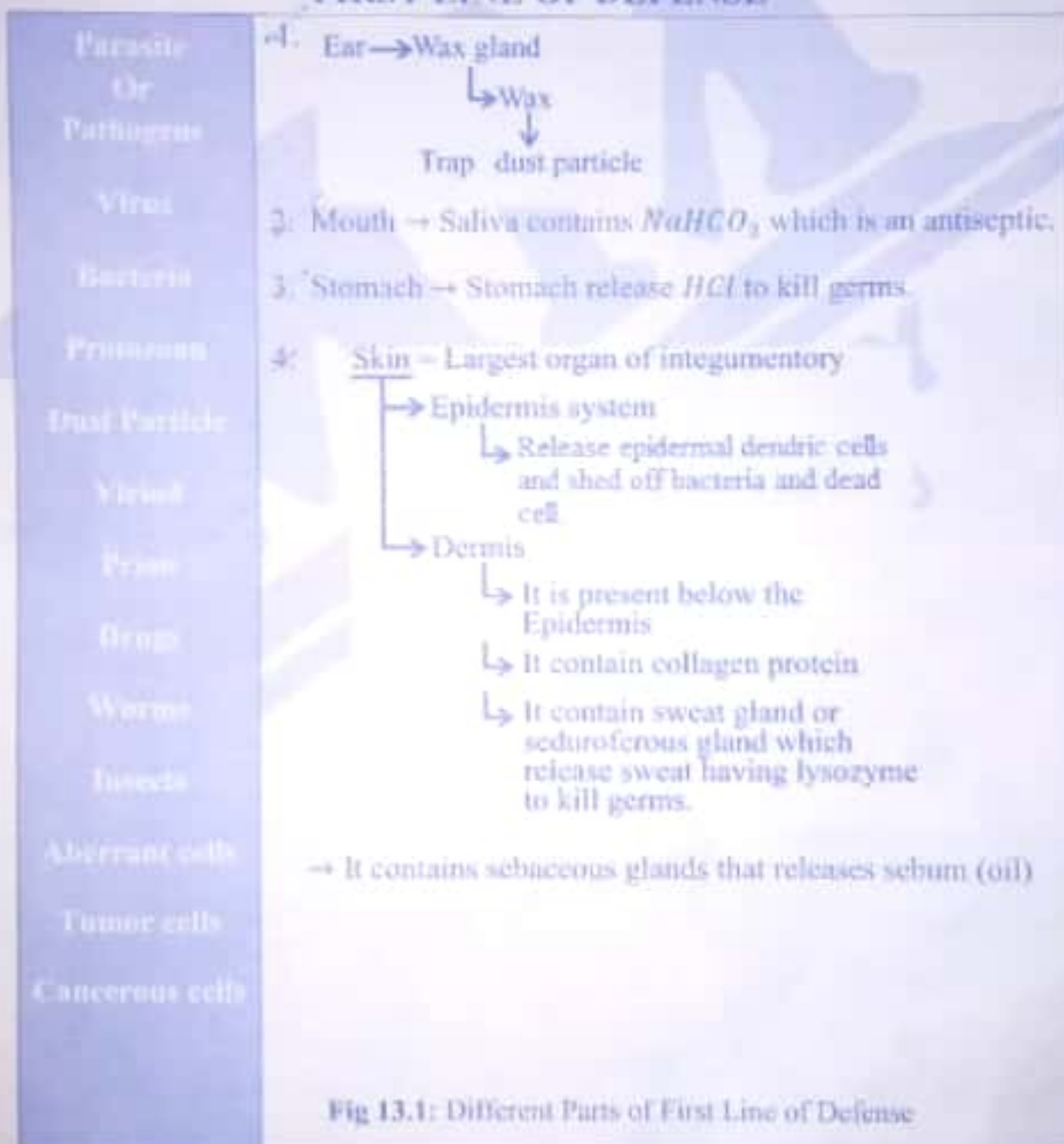


Fig 13.1: Different Parts of First Line of Defense

### SECOND LINE OF DEFENSE

1. Basophil → Basophil release enzyme to digest bacterial cell wall.
2. Eosinophil → Eosinophil digest the bacterial cell by releasing lysozyme enzyme.
3. Monocyte → Bone Marrow [Stem cells]



- Largest type of W.B.C is Macrophage
- Macrophage removes pus e.g. Alveolar macrophage, lungs organ/tissue. Kupffer cells of liver

4. Neutrophils = Dead neutrophils is called pus.

- Neutrophils release  $H_2O_2$  to destroy cell of parasite.
- Common type of W.B.C
- Natural killer cells = Natural killer cell release granzymes.
- Granzymes consist of protease and perforin to digest bacterial cell wall.
- Natural killer cell is a type of lymphocyte and is component of innate immune system.
- The cells in blood that detect pathogenic bacteria and signal the component system to get work are macrophages.

5. Pyrexia or Fever



6. Antibody = (Complementary System)

- Antibody consists of four polypeptide chains which capture bacteria and destroys them. Antibody is produced by B-cells.
- Interferon = It is specific for the virus.

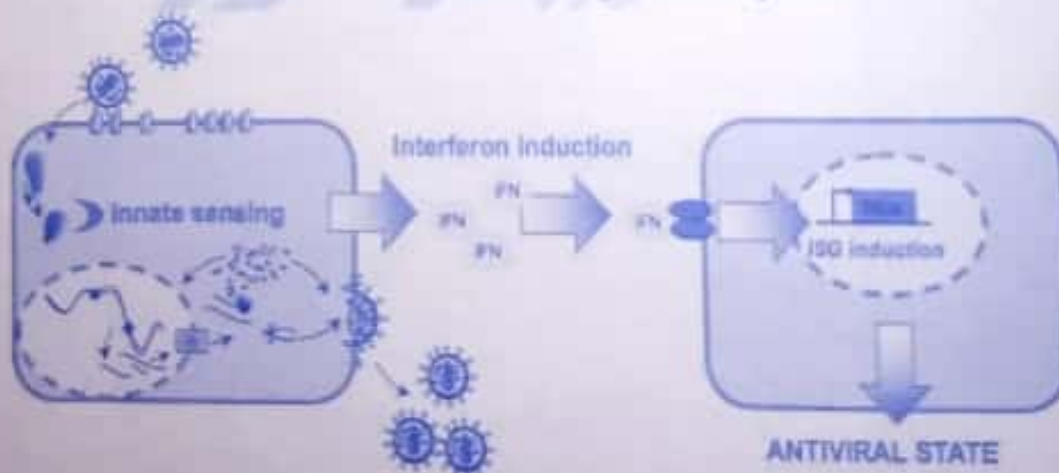


Fig 13.2: Mechanism of interferon

- Inflammatory response = Tissue damage through accidental release of serotonin, bradykinin and histamine which causes inflammation by producing heat so and attracting WBC's so that parasite can't enter further into the body.

### THIRD LINE OF DEFENSE

- Cell mediated response: Cells are involved to destroy the parasite.
- Helper T-cells ( $CD_4$  cells) scan the body and capture parasites and is presented in front of B-cells to destroy them and memory B-cells are formed.
- Killer T-cells directly kill the parasite and memory killer T-cells are produced.
- Cytotoxic T-cells directly kill the parasite.
- Suppressor T-cells suppress the activity of B-cells to prevent from over sensitivity.
- Antibody mediated response or Humoral response:  
Antibodies are produced by B-cells. Such antibodies are attached on the surface of B-cells to identify the parasite
- B-cells are produced and mature in Lymph Nodes (B-cells are called B-cell due to "Bursa of fabrics")
- T-cells are produced in Bone Marrow while mature in thymus gland (Backside of sternum).
- Programme cell death e.g. RBC is called Apoptosis while accidental cell death is called Necrosis.
- The cell death due to parasite or pathogen is called cell lysis.
- Ig G activate complementary systems. First line of defense: skin is the largest organ of the integumentary system
- Skin provide insulation, temperature sensation and temperature regulation
- Skin contains epidermis which is composed of multiple layers of tightly packed cells in which few pathogens can penetrate on their own.
- Epidermal dendritic cells actively patrol the skin to phagocytize pathogens

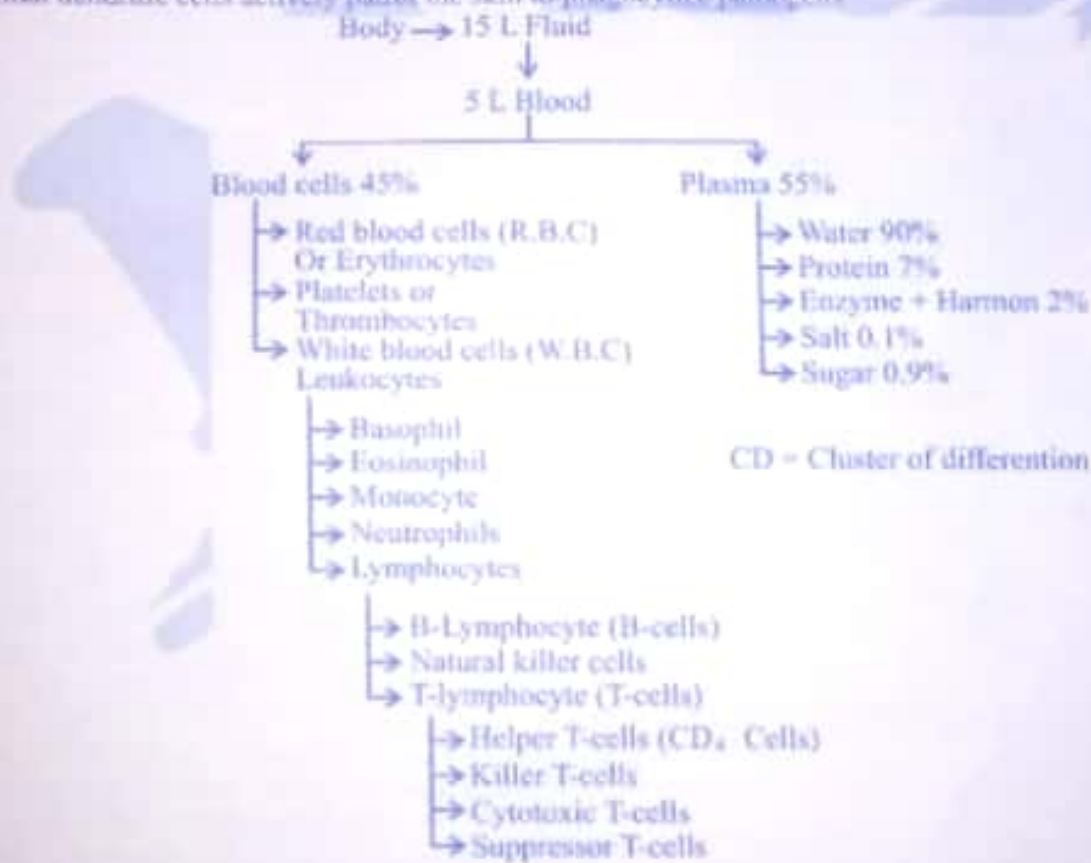


Fig 13.3: Composition of Blood

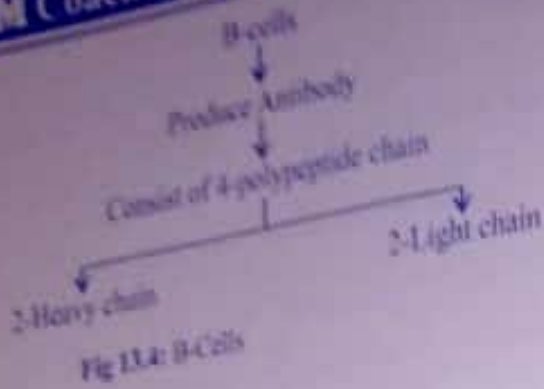


Fig 13.4: B-Cells

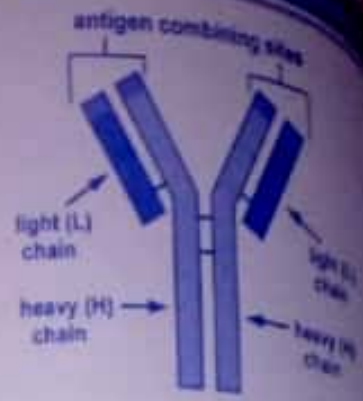


Fig 13.5: Structure of antibodies

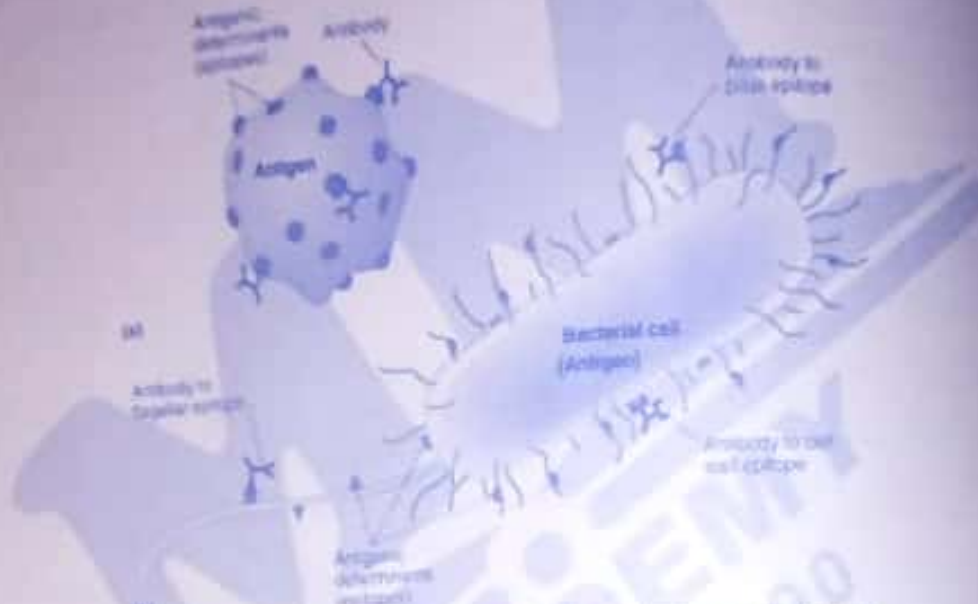


Fig 13.6: Mechanism of antibodies and antigen attachment

○ Epitope Antibody or immunoglobulin (GAMED)

- Ig A
  - Ig D
  - Ig M
  - Ig G
  - Ig E
- Types of Antibody



Fig 13.7: Types of Immunity

**VACCINATION:**

○ The process of administering vaccine is called vaccination.

**VACCINE:**

- The word vaccine is derived from Latin word *Vacca* which means "Small pox".
- First vaccine was produced by Edward Jenner by performing experiment on his 8-year-old son James Philips.
- First vaccine was produced from Cow pox.
- First vaccine was produced for Small pox.
- The word vaccine was used by Louis Pasteur.
- Vaccine is an immunobiological substance which activate the immune system of the body.
- Sabin is live vaccine and salk is killed vaccine.

**ALLERGY:**

- Over production of Ig E or over sensitivity of a body is called Allergy.
- If neither of the parents are allergic so the chances of allergy in their offsprings will be 15%.
- If one of the parents is allergic, the chances of occurrence of allergy in their offsprings will be 30%.
- If both the parents are allergic, the chances of occurrence of allergy in their offsprings will be 60%.
- Allergy is caused by Allergens.
- The risk of developing allergies is genetic.
- The most common allergic conditions include hay fever (allergic rhinitis), asthma, allergic eyes (allergic conjunctivitis) and allergic shock (also called Anaphylaxis and Anaphylactic shock).

**AUTOIMMUNE DISORDERS:**

- When abnormal antibody attack on our body tissue and is considered as a foreign particle is called Autoimmune disorders e.g. Lupus, Juvenile rheumatoid Arthritis, scleroderma, Ankylosing spondylitis and Juvenile dermatomyositis.
- Lupus: Kidney is considered as a foreign part.
- Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis: Abnormal antibody attack on ligament (type of cartilage which is present between two bone) and is considered as a foreign particle.
- Scleroderma: When antibody attack on skin and consider it as a foreign particle.
- Ankylosing spondylitis: When abnormal antibody attack on vertebrae disc and consider it as a foreign particle.
- Juvenile dermatomyositis: When abnormal antibody attack on muscle and considers called Juvenile dermatomyositis.

**ROLE OF T-CELLS AND B-CELLS IN TRANSPLANT REJECTION:**

- Identical twins (Maternal twin) and cloned tissues are MHC<sup>+</sup> matched and are therefore not subject to T-cell mediated rejection.
- MHC is involved in the organ rejection or acceptance.
- MHC gene is present on chromosome number 6.
- Rheumatoid arthritis is an autoimmune disease where the body perceives tissue in the joint as being foreign object and fights them through immune response.
- Pyrogens cause the set point to increase.
- While antipyretic drugs such as aspirin and paracetamol lower the 'set point'.
- Examples of pyrogens are:  
many proteins, break down product of protein and lipopolysaccharide toxin.
- These pyrogens are extremely potent since little as few nanograms = 1 billion of a gram.
- Attachment of antigen to phagocytes is called opsonization.
- All components pathways carry out 6 beneficial innate response.
- T-cell occur both in blood and lymph.
- Antigen are present on the blood cells.
- Antigen are present both in plasma and lymph.
- Rh-factor and Anti-A-Antibody and Anti-B anti body in blood are Igm.
- Igm normally protect body from pathogens only.