

Overview on Immune mechanism



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Man is floating in the ocean of microbes



















Every single moment we are in the state of war



The defense organization of human body is so efficient, so well structured and so sophisticated it can manage / try to manage every adverse situation.

That is why the body emerges victories in its battle most of the time.



What is the immune system?

 The body's defense against disease causing organisms, malfunctioning cells, and foreign particles







Defense Against Pathogens













<u>The Immune System- Line of Defense</u> <u>Against Infection</u>

NONSPECIFIC DEFENSE MECHANISMS		SPECIFIC DEFENSE MECHANISMS (IMMUNE SYSTEM)
First line of defense	Second line of defense	Third line of defense
 Skin Mucous membranes Secretions of skin and mucous membranes 	 Phagocytic white blood cells Antimicrobial proteins The inflammatory response 	 Lymphocytes Antibodies



ANATOMY OF THE IMMUNE SYSTEM

The Immune System







CELLS OF THE IMMUNE SYSTEM

Cells of the Immune System



PHAGOCYTOSIS



Phases of phagocytosis

PHAGOCYTIC KILLING OF MICROBES: OXIDATIVE BURST



Ouch!



INFLAMMATION

- A non-specific response to injury or necrosis that occurs in a vascularized tissue.
- Signs:Redness,heat, swelling, pain, and loss of function
- (Rubor, calor, tumor, dolor)
- It refers to an inflammatory condition.







Antibodies: The Targeted Weapon of Adapative Immunity

- Antibodies are assembled out of protein chains.
- There are many different chains that the immune system assembles in different ways to make different antibodies.





Antibodies are Proteins that Recognize Specific Antigens





Role of antibodies

- Antibodies released into the blood stream will bind to the antigens that they are specific for.
- Antibodies may disable some microbes, or cause them to stick together (agglutinate). They "tag" microbes so that the microbes are quickly recognized by various white blood cells.



Consequences of Antibody Binding



Antigens must be processed in order to be recognised by T cells









MHC Class II



Interactions between Tc and target cells



Allergies

- Allergies / Hypersensitivities are inappropriate and heightened immune reactions to antigens.
- Some, such as pollen, may get in through the respiratory system. Fragments of food proteins may get through the digestive system.
- The next time these proteins are encountered, the immune system attacks them.

Achoo!

- Pollen is a harmless protein, yet we can become allergic to it.
- Most of the symptoms are caused by histamines released by mast cells. That is why antihistamines are used to treat allergies.





An Example of Signal Transduction: Type I Allergy Signal Transduction Cascade. (Details not to be memorized. Concept of Signal Transducxtion is Illustrated



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COMPLEMENT SYSTEM ACTIVATION



COMPLEMENT MEDIATED LYSIS





Overview of the Immune Response



Thank you for your attention