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Monday

# HEMATOLOGY

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## circulating body fluids

Blood

Lymph.

⇒ Hematology: study of body fluids like blood & lymph.

⇒ Functions of blood.

- Transport of respiratory gases
- Nutritive fn
- Excretory fn
- Protective fn (Defense)
- $\bar{a}$ -base balance
- water balance
- Transport of substances like hormones, enzymes, etc.
- Maintenance of bp & osmotic pressure
- storage fn (Reservoir)
- Regulation of body temp

## ⇒ Blood

- unique CT fluid
- Red, opaque & alkaline [pH = 7.4]
- ~~Am~~ Blood. [7.38 - 7.42]

Arterial

Venous

Bright red

Dark red

↓ due to

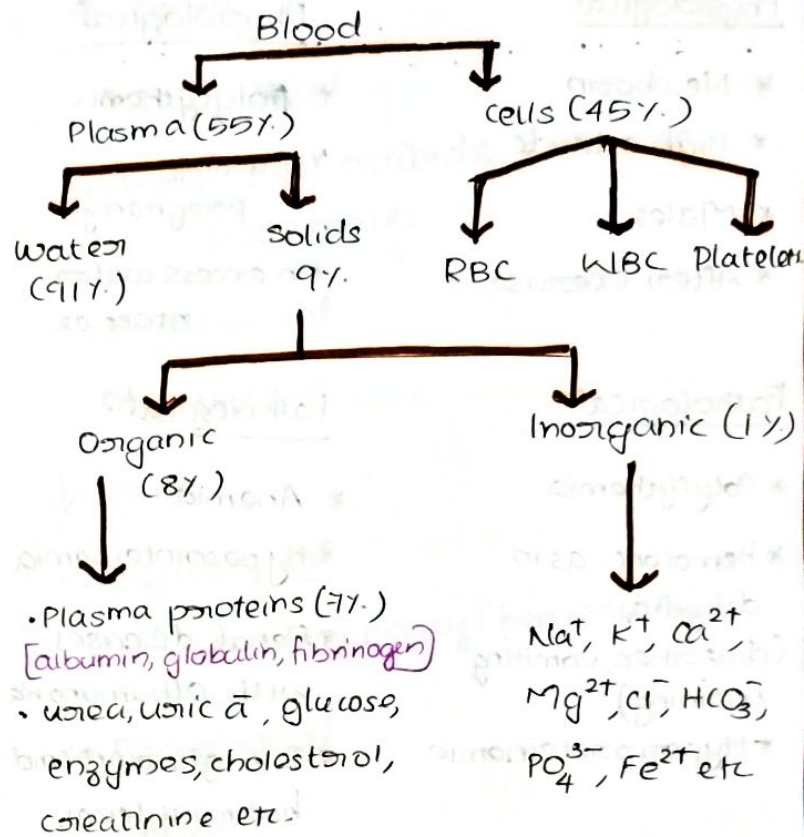
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Oxyhaemoglobin

Reduced hemoglobin  
(slightly bigger RBC)

→ Vol. of blood = 5-6 L,  
⇒ 8% of body wt.

## composition of blood.



## Physical properties of Blood

- Red & opaque → pH = 7.4
- Salty → sp. gravity → 1.050-1.060
- viscosity - 3.5-5.4 times water.

## ⇒ Specific gravity

⇒  $\frac{\text{wt. of blood}}{\text{wt. of equal vol. of water}}$  @ 4°C  
[density of water max @ 4°C]

\* determined by hemoglobin & plasma protein conc.

## Factors affecting sp. gravity.

- \* RBC count
- \* Hemoglobin conc.
- \* Plasma protein conc.
- \* water content of blood.



↑ sp gravity & viscosity

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Advantages of biconcave shape

- \* ↑ SA to vol. ratio
- \* flexible, can squeeze through capillaries  $\approx 3\mu\text{m}$  in dia.
- \* mito.  $\Rightarrow$  x  $\Rightarrow$  does not consume  $\text{O}_2$  very easily.
- \* can change vol. without affecting the integrity of membrane

### Physiological

- \* Newborn
- \* High altitude
- \* Males
- \* After exercise

### Physiological

- \* Females
- \* During pregnancy
- \* In excess water intake ex.

### Pathological

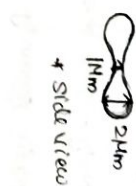
- \* Polycythemia
- \* Hemocrit. as in dehydration (diarrhea, vomiting, burning)
- \* Hypoproteinemia

### Pathological

- \* Anemia
- \* Hypoproteinemia
- \* Renal diseases with albuminuria
- \* ↑ in glucocorticoid hormone level.

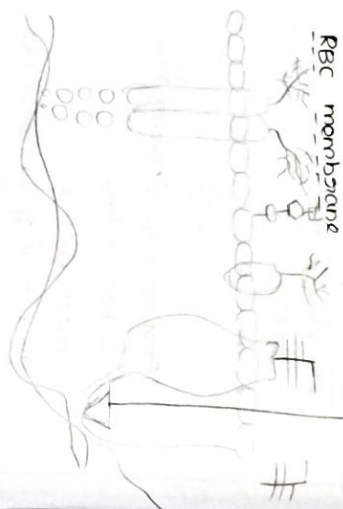
### RBC [Erythrocytes]

#### Morphology of RBC



- Biconcave/dimpled shaped.
- $\approx 2-3.5\mu\text{m}$  in diameter,  $2\mu\text{m}$  thick @ periphery &  $1\mu\text{m}$  thick @ centre
- non-nucleated, no organelles.
- Red colour due to hemoglobin.
- Blood gp. antigens present.
- ligand central pallor.

#### RBC membrane



- lipid bilayer & protein layer
- lipid bilayer - phospholipid & cholesterol
- Integral proteins
- Band 3 protein [ $\text{Cl}^-$  -  $\text{HCO}_3^-$  exchange]
- Glycophorins - stick in static & provide -ve charge to RBC.
- Blood gp. antigens, Rh protein & various ion channels.
- Membrane skeleton - Spectrin, Ankyrin, actin.
- Structural integrity & maintain shape of RBC.
- Hemodynamic spherocytosis  $\rightarrow$  spectrin/ankyrin deficiency
- spherical & fragile RBC - hemolysis

#### Composn. of RBC

- 65% of water, 35-40% solids.
- 90% haemoglobin.
- others: proteins, phospholipids, cholesterol & ions.

- Glutathione (antioxidant)
- maintain integrity of RBC membrane

- No protein or enzyme synthesis/ no cell division

- Enzymes of glycolytic pathway (anaerobic - ATP)
- 2,3-DPG - formed in glycolytic pathway has got a role in  $\text{O}_2$  transport

- Enzymes like carbonic anhydrase, methemoglobin reductase
- Ferric  $\rightarrow$  Ferrous

#### Fun of RBC

- Transport of respiratory gases
- Buffer system (Hb)
- Blood gp. antigen are present on the red cell.
- contributes to the viscosity of blood.

#### Metabolism of RBC (self study)

#### RBC count

- Birth: 8-10 millions/cumm
- Infants: 6-8 millions/cumm

#### Adults

- Male: 4.5-5.5 millions (5.4)

• female: 4-5 millions (4.8)

#### Variations in count

↑ count

- Physiological
- at birth, high altitude, exercise, after food, males.

- Pathological
- Polycythemia.

↓ count

- Physiological
- Females, pregnancy (hemodilution)

- Pathological
- Anemia.

#### Rouleaux formation

Tendency of RBC to pile one over other like a pile of coins; due to its particular disc shape.

Why RBC does not attain disc shape during blood flow?

- constant flow
- -ve charge suppress (zeta potential)

#### Properties of RBC

- ESR
- PCV
- Fragility of RBC.

→ Doesn't occur in normal circulation.



## ESR [Erythrocyte sedimentation rate]

It is the depth in mm of clear plasma measured when a vertical column of anticoagulated blood is kept undisturbed for a period of 1 h.

• 3.8% of sodium citrate is used as anticoagulant

• Males - 3-5mm at the end of 1st h.

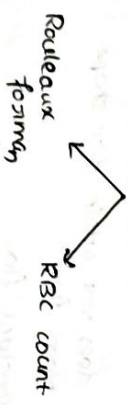
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### ESR [stages]



RBC density is > plasma

### ESR determinants



### Factors affecting ESR

#### Plasma factors

- Plasma proteins
- Albumin: ↓ ESR
- Globulin & fibrinogen: ↑ ESR (favour RF)
- Cholesterol ↑ ESR
- Leukin ↓ ESR

## cellular factors

- when RBC count ↑ ESR ↓
- In all anemias ESR ↑
- Except in sickle cell anaemia & spherocytic anaemia
- [altered morphology ↓ ESR]

### Technical factors

- Used temp. standing posn ↑ ESR more than 1 h

### Variation in ESR

#### ↑ ESR

- Physiological
- Females
- Pregnancy

#### ↓ ESR

- Physiological
- Males
- Newborns
- Pathological
- Anemia
- Infection, TB
- Malignancies
- Polycythemia
- Sickle cell anemia
- Spherocytosis
- Hypofibrinogenemia

## \* Clinical significance of ESR

↳ has prognostic value.

↳ when the treatment is effective & patient is improving his cond.

• Spontaneous force helps in sedimentation

### PCV [Packed cell volume]

- PCV refers to the cellular elements [RBCs, WBCs, & platelets] in the whole blood.

- Ratio of vol. of RBCs to the vol. of whole blood.

- 3000 rpm for 30 mts - centrifugation

• Double oxalate - anticoagulant

ammonium oxalate

swelling of cell

Potassium oxalate

shrinking of cell



### PCV (Hematocrit)

- ① Packed red cells in the bottom.

PCV

Males:  $45 \pm 7\%$

Females:  $42 \pm 7\%$

- ② WBCs & platelets in middle.

• Buffy coat normal: 1mm

• 1mm almost equals to 10K WBCs

- ③ Plasma

• Topmost layer

Force: centrifugal force

Plasma layers: normal

### Plasma layers

- Normal: - straw coloured.

- Hemolysis: - Red (rupture of RBC)

- Jaundice: - Deep yellow.

- Lipemia: - Milky & opaque

PCV is used in:

- High altitude
- Newborns
- Males
- Polycythemia.

Hematocrit: Dehydration, diarrhoea [water content ↓]

PCV is ↓ in pregnancy, females & Anemia.

## FRAGILITY OF RBC

Due to endosmosis

- ↑ O. fragility - Hematocrit
- ↓ O. fragility - sickle cell anemia, iron deficiency anemia.

\* Though O. fragility ↓ in sickle cell anemia, mechanical fragility is ↑

\* Fragility of RBCs means susceptibility of RBCs to break on burst

Hemolysis: rupture of RBCs & release of Hb.

Fragility may be of diff. types.

- ① Osmotic: - hypotonic soln [0.5% to 0.25%]

- ② Mechanical: capillaries, membranes/shape defects

- ③ Chemical: - O<sub>2</sub>, alkali, poison, toxin.



Oxygen carrying pigment in RBC.

(3) Acid-base balance: Hb is an excellent buffer.

• Non-protein part - Heme

iron + porphyrin

• Protein part - Globin

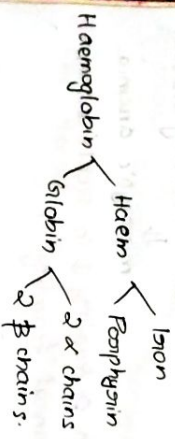
• Globin part is formed by 4 polypeptide chains (2 pairs)

• 4 types of PP:  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  chains.

### Normal values

- Male - 14-18 g/dl
- Female - 12-16 g/dl
- Newborn - 20-23 g/dl

in child 3, etc are present



### Structure of Hemoglobin

Fe  $\rightarrow$  normal  $\rightarrow$  Ferrous

$\rightarrow$  abnormal  $\rightarrow$  Ferric

methemoglobin

### Functions of Hb

(1) Transport of  $O_2$ : from lungs to tissues.

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(1 g m Hb carries 1.34 ml oxygen)

1 molecule of Hb can carry 4 molecules of  $O_2$ .

Hb combine loosely & reversibly with  $O_2$

(2) Transport of  $CO_2$  from tissues to the

lungs.

(3) Acid-base balance: Hb is an excellent buffer

What are the advantages of carrying Hb inside RBCs?

Assted for practical

• Prevents rapid destruction & elimination of Hb

• Prevent marked  $\uparrow$  in plasma viscosity

• Hb is not filtered through the kidneys

• Prevent blood from exerting a high o.p. across the capillary wall

### Types of Hb

| A. Normal | B. Abnormal                 |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| Adult     | HbS                         |
| Fetal     | HbC                         |
| Embryonic | HbD                         |
|           | HbE                         |
|           | unstable Hb (Chain? Sider?) |

Hb A: 97% of adult Hb

Hb A<sub>2</sub>: <3% of adult Hb

Hb F: Fetal Hb

Embryonic Hb -

Gowers 1

Gowers 2

Hb Portland

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### Fetal Hb

• Hemoglobin F is  $\alpha_2\gamma_2$

• High  $O_2$  affinity.

• Short life span of 1-2 weeks.

• HbF disappears by age of 6 months.

• Persistence after 6 months: disorders

of HbA synthesis

• Minor fetal Hb - Hb Barts - of

chance of child death

### Heme synthesis - (Biochem) factors needed for Hb synthesis

• Amino acid - for globin forming

• Metals: Iron, Manganese, Copper, cobalt, Nickel

• Vit B<sub>12</sub>, Folic acid - synthesis of NA

• Vit C helps in Fe absorption

• Heme catabolism  $\rightarrow$  Biliverdin

### Derivatives of Hb (Bn of Hb)

Carbonyl

X 1mr

(1) Oxy Hb:  $Hb + O_2 \rightarrow HbO_2$  (reversible)

\* 1 Hb binds with 4  $O_2$  molecules.

(2) Deoxy generated Hb (Reduced Hb):



(3) Carboxy Hb:  $Hb + CO \Rightarrow HbCO$

(4) Carbonyl Hb:  $Hb + CO \rightarrow COHb$

CO binds to  $O_2$  binding site of Hb

X • 200-250 times more affinity to Hb than oxygen  $\rightarrow$  hypoxia

(5) Meth Hb:  $Fe^{2+}Fe$

$Fe^{2+} + Fe^{3+}$  can't carry  $O_2$

when Hb is exposed to dangerous oxidising agents like  $K^+$  ferricyanide

(6) Sulf Hb: Rn b/w Hb and  $H_2S$

(7) Glycosylated Hb (HbA1c)

• Glucose attached to terminal valine of Beta chain of HbA

• Amount is proportional to blood glucose conc.

• Normal < 6%.

• Levels of HbA1c indicates glycaemic state of an individual for the past 3 months.

### Abnormal Hb

At low conc. of  $O_2$

HbS precipitates into long crystals inside the RBC

Elongate the cell and give it the appearance of a sickle

Damages the CM, so the cells become highly fragile... hemolysis & blockage of blood vessels.

metabolic fragility  $\uparrow$

Anemia.

... Due the process starts, it progresses rapidly



- Defects in quality of structure of Hb.
- HbS, HbE, HbC, HbD
- Defects in quantity of Hb
- Thalassemia

## Thalassemia

- Polypeptide chains are normal but ↓ in qty or absent

- α thalassemia - α chains ↓
- β thalassemia - β chains ↓

↳ β Thalassemia major [Cooley's anaemia]

↳ β Thalassemia minor.

Erythropoiesis

## INTERCELLULAR CONNECTIONS

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- In b/w cells

Types of in

Tight Junction  
↓  
gap

Zonula occludens

- found in the epithelium of GI Tract,
- protein contributing for their forma.

Claudin, Occludin

6/12/22 Tuesday  
Haemopoiesis [SA topic] is mainly

## Erythropoiesis

- Output of blood cells
- Erythropoiesis - RBCs

(Process of formation, divint & maturation of RBCs)

- Leucopoiesis - WBCs
- Megakaryopoiesis - Platelets.

## Sites of hemopoiesis

① Intrauterine life: 3 stages

(A) Mesoblastic stage: upto 3 week of foetal life  
Mesoderm of the yolk sac

(B) Hepatic stage: from 3rd week to 6m  
Liver, spleen

(C) Myeloid stage: from 6m - full term  
Red Bone Marrow

(2) In children: upto 6 yrs  
marrow of all bones

(3) In adults: upto 20 yrs  
After  
lung bone, vertebrae, skull, ribs, sternum, ilia

After 20 yrs  
Upper ends of long bones, vertebrae, ribs, sternum, ilia, skull

## BONE MARROW

- The bone marrow - (one of the most active organs)

- Active BM: need marrow cells @ diff. stages of development

- Inactive BM infiltrated with fat - yellow marrow

- BM is aspirated from iliac bone/sternum... properly stained... examined under microscope.

- Indications: anemia... leukemia, lymphoma, pancytopenia

all cell

PLEURIPOTENT HEMOPOIETIC STEM CELL [PPHSC]

committed stem cell

Erythroid series

Burst forming unit Erythrocyte (BFU-E)

colony forming unit Erythrocyte (CFU-E)

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- 15% of the cells in the marrow belong to the myeloid series (for wbc & platelets)
- only 25% - 30% cells (erythroid series)

normal myeloid - erythroid ratio is 3:1

- In circulation, RBC count is 500 times more than WBC count... because of longer life span of RBCs.

some stem cell dominant

Lymphoid series

Lymphocytes

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## PPHSC - committed stem cells.

BFU-E  
↓

CFU-E  
↓

Proerythroblast  
↓

early normoblast  
↓

Intermediate normoblast  
↓

Late normoblast  
↓

Reticulocyte  
↓

Erythrocyte

### Stages of erythropoiesis

Early normoblast/Polychromatic normoblast

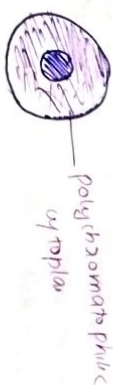


- 14-16  $\mu\text{m}$
- Nucleus size - decrease - nucleoli absent
- Chromatin condensing, present
- Cytoplasm - basophilic
- Mitosis - present
- Hb - absent



Intermediate Normoblast (Polychromatic normoblast)

- cell size -  $\downarrow$  - 10-14  $\mu\text{m}$
- Nucleus size -  $\downarrow$
- Hb - start appearing
- Cytoplasm - Polychromatic
- Bluish & pinkish (basophilic RNA & acidophilic Hb)
- Mitosis - present



## Late Normoblast/Orthochromatic normoblast

- 8-10  $\mu\text{m}$
- Eccentric nucleus
- Pyknotic degeneration - clumping of the chromosomes, shrinking of the nucleus.
- Cytoplasm - reddish (acidophilic)
- No mitosis
- Hb - present
- Nucleus is extruded out later



Reticulocyte

- cell size  $\downarrow$  - 7-8  $\mu\text{m}$
- Nucleus absent

RNA appears as a reticulum on supravital staining (with brilliant cresyl blue)

- Hb  $\uparrow$
- Reticulocyte spends 1-2 days in bone marrow and 1-2 days in peripheral blood... spleen... matures into biconcave RBC.
- Mitochondria, ribosomes are lost when conv. to RBCs so RBC cannot synthesize proteins



- Normal count
- In newborn: 2-6% of RBC count
- Adult - 0.5 to 1% RBC count

### \* Reticulocytosis

- Physiological - at birth, infants  $\uparrow$  altitude
- Pathological - after treatment for anemia, after hemorrhage, hemolytic anemia

### \* Reticulocytopenia - Aplastic anemia

#### Erythrocyte

- cell size - 7.2 - 7.5  $\mu\text{m}$
- Absence of RNA material, no organelles
- One polychromoblast gives rise to at least 8-10 RBCs.
- 2 million RBCs produced each sec.
- Average duration of erythropoiesis: 7 to 9 days
- Proerythroblast to reticulocyte takes 5 to 7 days
- Maturity of reticulocyte to RBC takes 2 days
- These are thus about  $3 \times 10^{13}$  RBC & about 900g of hemoglobin in the circulating blood of an adult man
- Life span - 120 days

## Proerythroblast/Polychromoblast

$\rightarrow$  RBCs

progenitors  $\rightarrow$  Erythroblast precursors

- First identifiable cell of erythroid series

cell size 15-20  $\mu\text{m}$

- Nucleus occupies  $\frac{3}{4}$ th of cell
- Volume with multiple nucleoli

chromatin threads present

- Cytoplasm - basophilic (high conc. of polyribosomes)

mitosis - present

Hb - absent





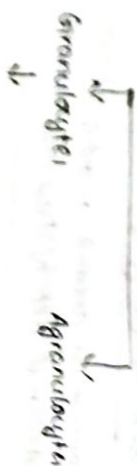






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- Presence or absence of granules in cytoplasm.



- Staining property of granules

- Neutrophils: take up both a & b basic stains

- Eosinophils: take up a stain

- Basophils: take up b stain

### Life span of WBC

- 6-10 days in bone marrow
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- In fetus: Liver, Spleen, Bone marrow
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- Usual site - iliac crest (flat bones, ends of long bones)

## Clinical Features

- General features

### Characteristic features

- Marrow is dry, soft, brittle & spoon shaped (prolonged)
- Atrophic glossitis (angular stomatitis)
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- Plummer Vinson syndrome: Membranous webs are formed in oesophagus causing dysphagia

### Lab Findings

- ① Hb ↓

- ② Microcytic hypochromic anemia

- ③ Decreased MCV, MCH, MCHC.

- ④ Bone marrow shows erythroid hyperplasia (compensatory mechanism)

- ⑤ Serum iron & ferritin levels are ↓

- ⑥ Normal serum Fe: 60-160 mcg/dl  
Normal serum ferritin: 15-200 mcg/dl in males

12-150 ng/ml in female

- ⑦ Serum transferrin (200-360 mg/dl)

### TIBC ↑

Total iron binding capacity ↑

### Treatment:

- Treat the cause
- Dietary modification
- Fe administration
- Oral ferrous sulphate
- Intramuscular intramuscular inj. in

## Iron dextran complex (Ferinject)

- Deaerating

### Fe metabolism

- 65-70% of total body iron is present in Hb.
- Fe is needed for the formation of hemoglobin, myoglobin, cytochrome oxidase, peroxidase, catalase et.

- Total body Fe: 3-5g

- Fe is absorbed from small intestine in ferrous form... Vit C & gastric HCl... Fe 3+ to Fe 2+

- Blood - iron binding... transferrin

- Stored in liver as ferritin & hemosiderin

- When iron stores in the body are low absorb ↑ & vice versa

### — mucosal block therapy —

## Megaloblastic Anemia

### [Macrocytic Anemia]

- Vit B12 def. & folic acid deficiency

- defective DNA synthesis

- ↓ multiplication of cells

- Nuclear maturation lags behind cytoplasmic maturation

- Bone marrow shows abundant

- megakaryoblasts

- 70% promegakaryoblasts & 30% (intermediate)

- Late normoblasts

- Inadequate dietary intake;

- malabsorption, ↑ demand (pregnancy)

## Drugs (methotrexate)

- Pernicious anemia... atrophy of gastric mucosa... no IF... poor iron absorption

- Vit B12 absorption... inj. Vit B12

- In B12 def. folic acid is not metabolized... combined deficiency

### Symptoms

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- General features:

- Special features:

- Glossitis, Angular stomatitis

- Loss of appetite... HCl ↓ in gastric

- causes

- Neurological symptoms

- Numbness of hands & feet

- Paraesthesia (pins & needles

- sens.) of fingers & toes

- Pain along peripheral nerves

### (neuropathy)

- Sub acute combined degeneration of spinal cord

- Demyelination of spinal cord fibres especially of dorsal column pathway

- Peripheral neuropathy

### Lab Diagnosis

- Macrocytic normochromic anemia

- ↑ MCV & Normal MCHC

- Peripheral smear: Macrocytic RBC with anisocytosis & poikilocytosis

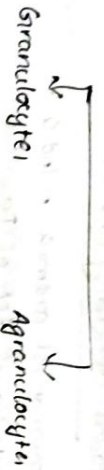
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- Stored in liver as ferritin & hemosiderin

- When iron stores in the body are ↓

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## (Meningitis)

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## Peripheral smears

## Lab Diagnosis

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- Peripheral smear: Macrocytic RBC with anisocytosis & poikilocytosis

- ↑ reticulocyte count (>1%) in 4-5 days following treatment... Reticulocyte response



↑ bilirubin (due to ↑ hemolysis of large cells)

↓ plasma conc. of B<sub>12</sub> (normally above 400 pg/ml)   
 (if < 180 pg/ml → deficiency)

## Congenital Spherocytosis

- Inherited as autosomal dominant disorder
- Genetic defect in form of glycoprotein → spectrin
- RBCs are spherical. Biconcavity is lost... easily destroyed.
- The blood picture typically shows anemia with spherocytosis, ↑ osmotic fragility, hyperbilirubinemia & reticulocytosis.

## Aplastic Anemia.

There is suppression of bone marrow... Fat/fibrosis

There is decreased production of all blood cells (like RBCs, WBCs & platelets) → pancytopenia.

Types:

- 1°: idiopathic (SSV)... unknown cause
- 2°: radiation, exposure, chemicals (like benzene, bacterial toxins, anti-cancer drugs).

Features: Normocytic Anemia

: Absence of reticulocytes

: ↓ WBCs & platelets.

## Hemolytic Anemia.

- Excess hemolysis
- Normocytic normochromic anemia.
- ↑ serum Bilirubin (UCB)   
 unconjugated bilirubin

### Hemolytic Anemia

- Membrane Defect Spherocytosis
- Enzyme Defects   
 G6PD & Pyruvate kinase def
- Infection   
 malarial
- Antibody induced   
 AIHA, HDN   
 Also Immune Anemia   
 Hemolysis of RBCs
- Abnormal Hb   
 HbS
- Chemicals, drugs

### Thalassemia.

Polypeptide chains are normal but ↓ in qty or absent

- α thalassemia - α chain ↓
- β thalassemia - β chain ↓

→ β thalassemia Major

[Cooley's anemia]

→ β thalassemia Minor

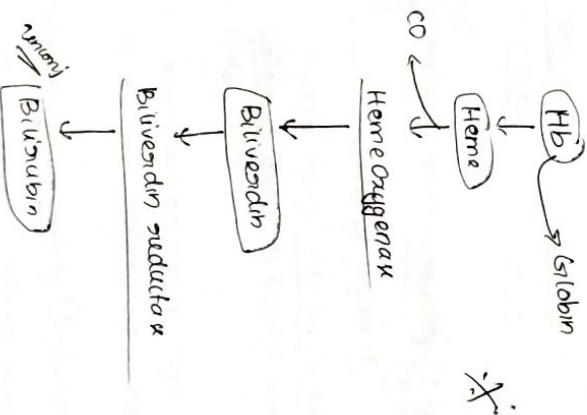
- Anemia, hepatosplenomegaly, jaundice
- Microcytic hypochromic anemia
- Rx - blood transfusion
- Treatment

## Polycythemia

- 1°: Polycythemia Rubra Vera   
 Myeloproliferative disorder (like malignancies of the bone marrow).   
 The RBC count is persistently above 4 million/μL.
- 2°: hypoxia, producing condn.
- high altitude, chronic lung disease, congenital heart disease
- Plethora (as a sequel of skin & face), pruritus (release of histamine), headache

Treatment - Phlebotomy (removal of blood... 500 ml every 2-4 days)   
 Myelosuppressive drugs like Hydroxyurea & Busulfan.

Heme metabolism. (catabolism)



## Hemolysis/breakdown of RBC

unconjugated bilirubin + albumin   
 Blood   
 hepatic sinusoid

unconjugated bilirubin

transported by   
 albumin /   
 Z protein   
 conjugated to   
 glucuronic acid

conjugated bilirubin

kidney

Biliary system

conjugated bilirubin

↓   
 urobilinogen   
 excreted in   
 urine

10%

urobilinogen → 90%   
 Stercobilinogen - Stercobilin

## Jaundice.

Yellowish discoloration of skin, mucus membranes & deeper tissues due to ↑ bilirubin in blood   
 > 2 mg/dl ✓

Normal serum bilirubin is 0.2 - 0.8 mg/dl

Types of jaundice.

1. Prehepatic or hemolytic jaundice
2. Hepatic or hepatocellular
3. Post hepatic or obstructive



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## T cells

1. Helper T cells (CD4 cells)

division of differentiation

TH1: involved in CMV

TH2: Humoral immunity.

2. Cytotoxic T cells - (CD8 cells)

3. Memory T cells.

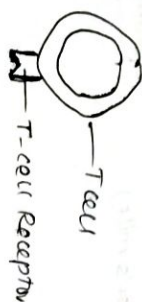
4. Suppressor T cells

T cells contain receptors (TCR)...

One TCR can recognise only one type of antigen...  $\times$

Each T cell reacts only with one particular type of antigen...  
don't attack self antigen.

If a T cell reacts with self antigen (protein) it will be phagocytosed & removed (clonal deletion) or it will be deactivated (clonal anergy)



## B cells

Humoral immunity

2 types:

- Plasma cells
- Memory cells

Plasma cell: produce antibodies

BCR are present on the surface of B cells.

Antigenic specificity is present

## clusters of differentiation

Special molecules identified on surface of cells mainly the lymphocytes...

Functions:

- Act as receptors
- Act as ligand

CD4 on Helper T cells

CD8 on cytotoxic T cells

## Antigen

Any substance that can evoke an immune response in our body - protein or a polysaccharide

## Exogenous Ag

Bacteria, fungi, viruses, fungi...  
dust mites, pollen, food stuff.

## Endogenous Ag

viral proteins, proteins from intracellular bacteria, tumor antigen.

## Antigen presenting cells (APC)

Specialised cells which present antigen to lymphocytes.

1. Macrophages
2. Dendritic cells (lymph node, spleen)
3. B lymphocyte
4. Langerhans cell of skin.

Role in both cell mediated & humoral immunity [But must in MHC]

Antigens are presented to lymphocytes after coupling it with some protein products of MHC gene

## Major histocompatibility complex

Human leukocyte antigen (HLA)

(HLA)

Class 1 MHC

- present in the cell membrane of all cells except RBCs.

Class 2 MHC

- present in all APCs.

## Other components

Cytokines

hormone like substances that act in a paracrine fashion to regulate immune response...

Secreted mainly by lymphocytes

or macrophages

Eg: Interleukins, TNF $\alpha$  (tumor necrosis factor)

complement system:

Another group of proteins present in the plasma, which get activated during immune response.

Help in killing of invading organisms

## NK cells (Natural killer cells)

Large granular lymphocytes

- Kill cells (neutrophils & not T cells) - spleen, lymph nodes, bone marrow & blood.

- contribute first line defense against viral infection, tumor cells.

non specifically kill viruses (which are coated with IgG antibodies)

they don't mature in thymus... APC & MHC not needed

osmotic lysis or phagocytosis. [immunity ppt]