



Hematology lecture

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PFC stands for perflourocarbons.

Perflourocarbons are a type of synthetic blood that helps carry dissolved gases in the blood. They are mixed with an emulsifier to create a liquid suspension that can be mixed with blood. PFCs can carry about 20 percent more gas than blood plasma.

PFCs may be especially helpful in these areas:

- Restoring the delivery of oxygen in the body

- Treating traumatic brain injury

- Treating anemia

- Increasing the effectiveness of chemotherapy

- Preventing the need for surgical blood transfusion

HEMOPOIESIS

- **Hemo**: Referring to blood cells
- **Poiesis**: “The development or production of”
- The word Hemopoiesis refers to the production & development of all the blood cells:
 - Erythrocytes: **Erythropoiesis**
 - Leucocytes: **Leucopoiesis**
 - Thrombocytes: **Thrombopoiesis**.
- Begins in the **20th week** of life in the fetal liver & spleen, continues in the bone marrow till young adulthood & beyond!

SITES OF HEMOPOIESIS

- Active Hemopoietic marrow is found, in **children** throughout the:

- **Axial** skeleton:

- Cranium
 - Ribs.
 - Sternum
 - Vertebrae
 - Pelvis

- **Appendicular** skeleton:

- Bones of the Upper & Lower limbs

- In **Adults** active hemopoietic marrow is found only in:

- The **axial** skeleton
 - The proximal ends of the **appendicular** skeleton.

Developmental Aspects

- Before birth, blood cell formation takes place in
 - The fetal yolk sac,
 - Liver,
 - Spleen
- By the seventh month, red bone marrow is the primary hematopoietic area
- Blood cells develop from mesenchymal cells called blood islands
- The fetus forms HbF, which has a higher affinity for oxygen than adult hemoglobin

Hemopoietic cells (those which produce blood) first appear in the yolk sac of the 2-week embryo.

By 8 weeks, blood making has become established in the liver of the embryo,

By 12-16 weeks the liver has become the major site of blood cell formation. It remains an active hemopoietic site until a few weeks before birth.

The spleen is also active during this period, particularly in the production of lymphoid cells, and the fetal thymus is a transient site for some lymphocytes.

At birth, active blood making red marrow occupies the entire capacity of the bones and continues to do so for the first 2-3 years after birth.

The red marrow is then very gradually replaced by inactive, fatty, yellow, lymphoid marrow.

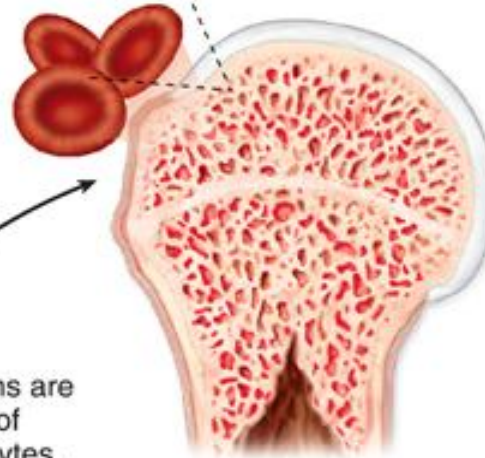
The latter begins to develop in the shafts of the long bones and continues until, **by 20-22 years, red marrow is present only in the upper ends of the femur and humerus and in the flat bones of the sternum, ribs, cranium, pelvis and vertebra.**

However, because of the growth in body and bone size that has occurred during this period, the total amount of active red marrow (approximately 1000-1500 g) is nearly identical in the child and the adult.

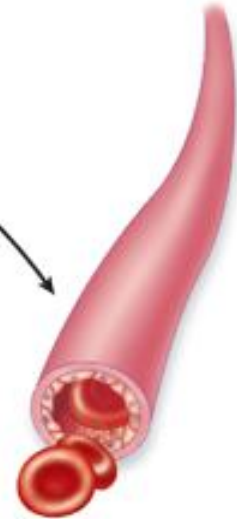
Developmental Aspects

- Age-related blood problems result from disorders of the heart, blood vessels, and the immune system
- Increased leukemias are thought to be due to the waning deficiency of the immune system
- Abnormal thrombus and embolus formation reflects the progress of atherosclerosis

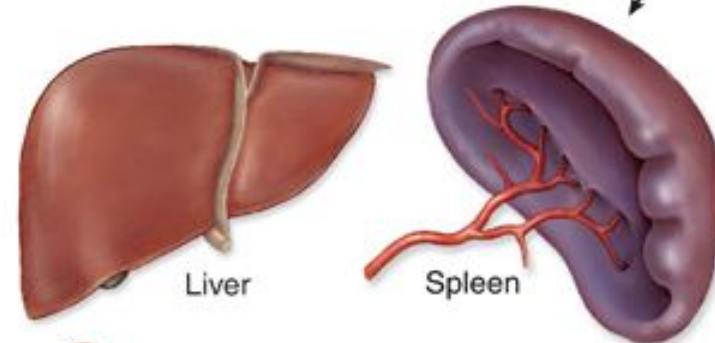
1 Erythrocytes form in red bone marrow.



2 Erythrocytes circulate in bloodstream for 120 days.



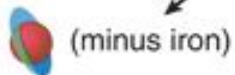
3 Aged erythrocytes are phagocytized in the liver and spleen.



5 Membrane proteins and globin proteins are broken down into amino acids, some of which are used to make new erythrocytes.

4 Heme components of blood are recycled.

Heme



(minus iron)

Heme is converted into biliverdin and then to bilirubin, which is secreted in bile from the liver.

Fe Fe (iron ions)

Iron is transported in the blood by the protein transferrin and stored by the protein ferritin in the liver.

• **Pluripotent stem cells:** are mesenchymal cells representing less than .1% of Red Bone Marrow cells having the ability to develop into several other kinds of cells.

• These further lead to 2 other stem cells known as ***Myeloid*** and ***lymphoid*** stem cells.

Myeloid Stem Cells lead to development of:

- ***RBCs (erythrocytes) (CFU-E)***
- ***Platelets (thrombocytes)***
- ***Eosinophils***
- ***Neutrophils (CFU-GM)***
- ***Basophils***

Of the cell types listed above, all **except eosinophils and basophils are produced by intermediate or Progenitor cells before fully developing**

- Lymphoid Stem Cells lead to the development of T and B lymphocytes (T/B cells).

- HGFs (Hemopoietic Growth factors) control the production of progenitor cells. Examples include

- *erythropoietin (EPO)*
- *Thrombopoietin (TPO).*

- *EPO cells are produced in the kidneys*, therefore, renal failure contributes to insufficient production of RBCs.

- *TPO originates in the liver to promote the synthesis of platelets from Megakaryocytes*

- Cytokines - Typically acting as autocrines/paracrines,

- cytokines are glycoproteins synthesized by RBM cells, leukocytes, macrophages, fibroblasts and endothelial cells.

- They promote the spread of progenitor cells.

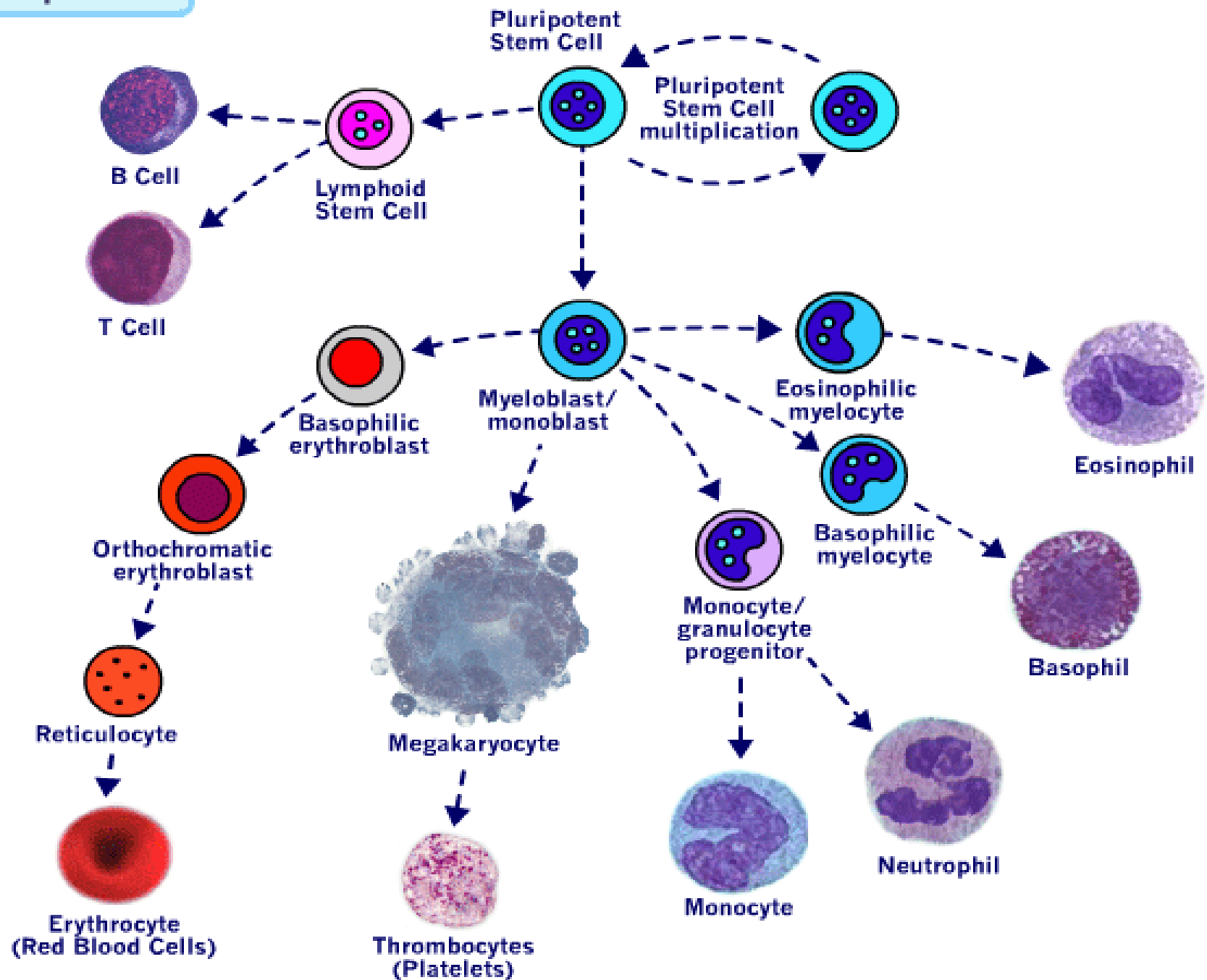
- 2 Cytokine Families that stimulate production of WBCs:

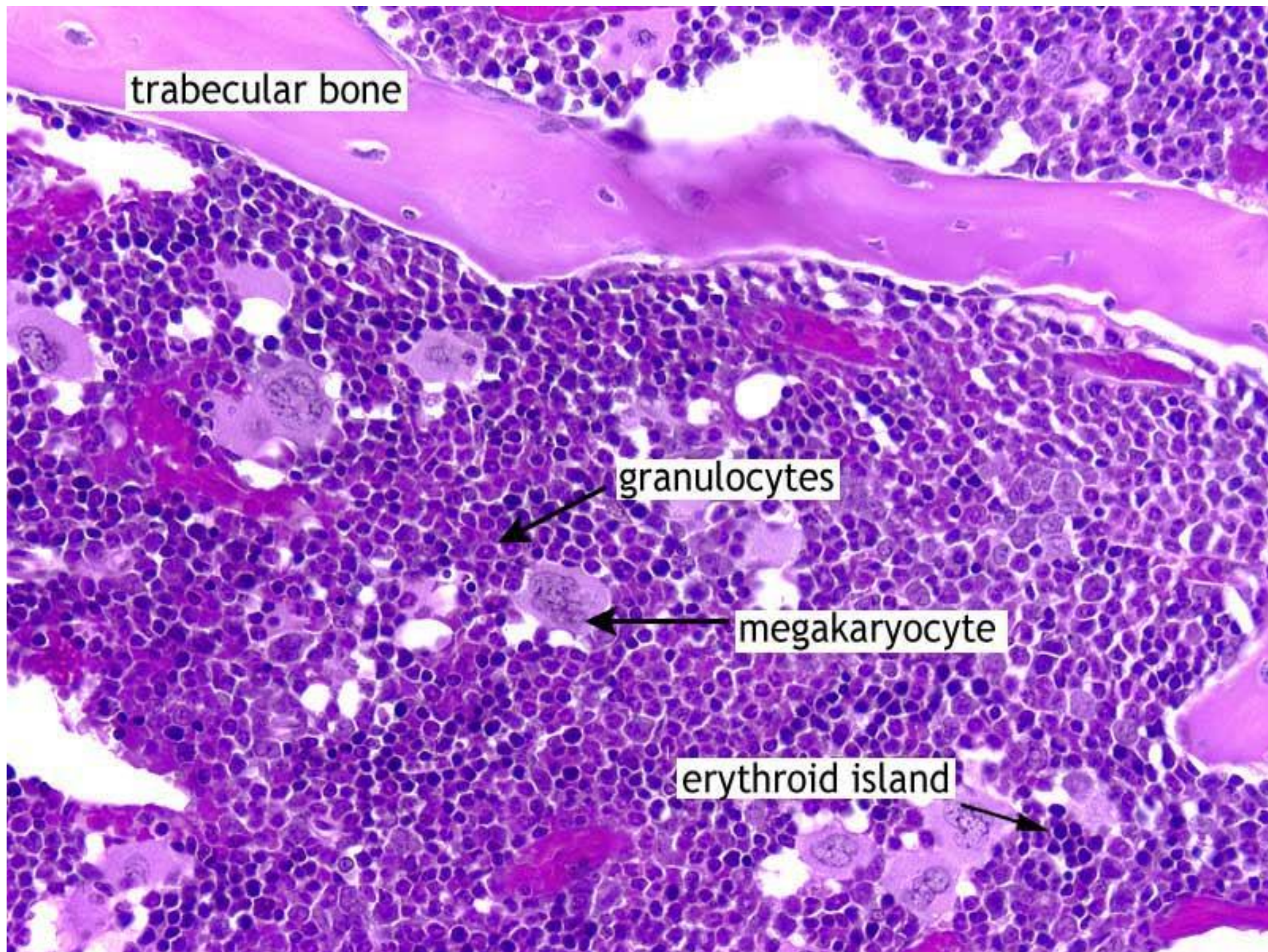
- *CSFs (Colony-Stimulating Factors)*
 - *Interleukins*

Erythropoietin , also known as *Epoetin alfa*, to treat

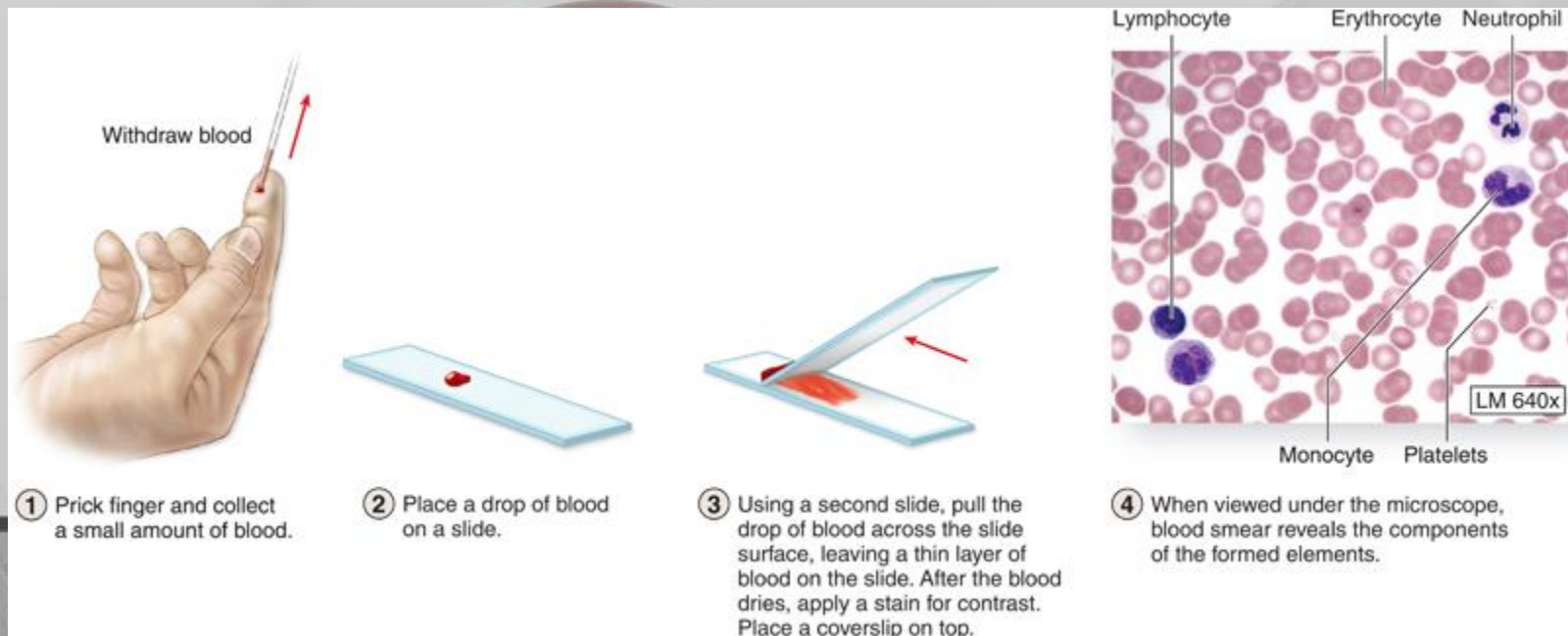
- **Low RBC concentration during end-stage kidney disease.**
- **Patients going through chemotherapy are treated with Granulocytic-Macrophage CSF and Granulocyte CSFs to treat low WBC concentration.**
- **Thrombopoietin is used to treat platelet depletion.**

Hematopoiesis



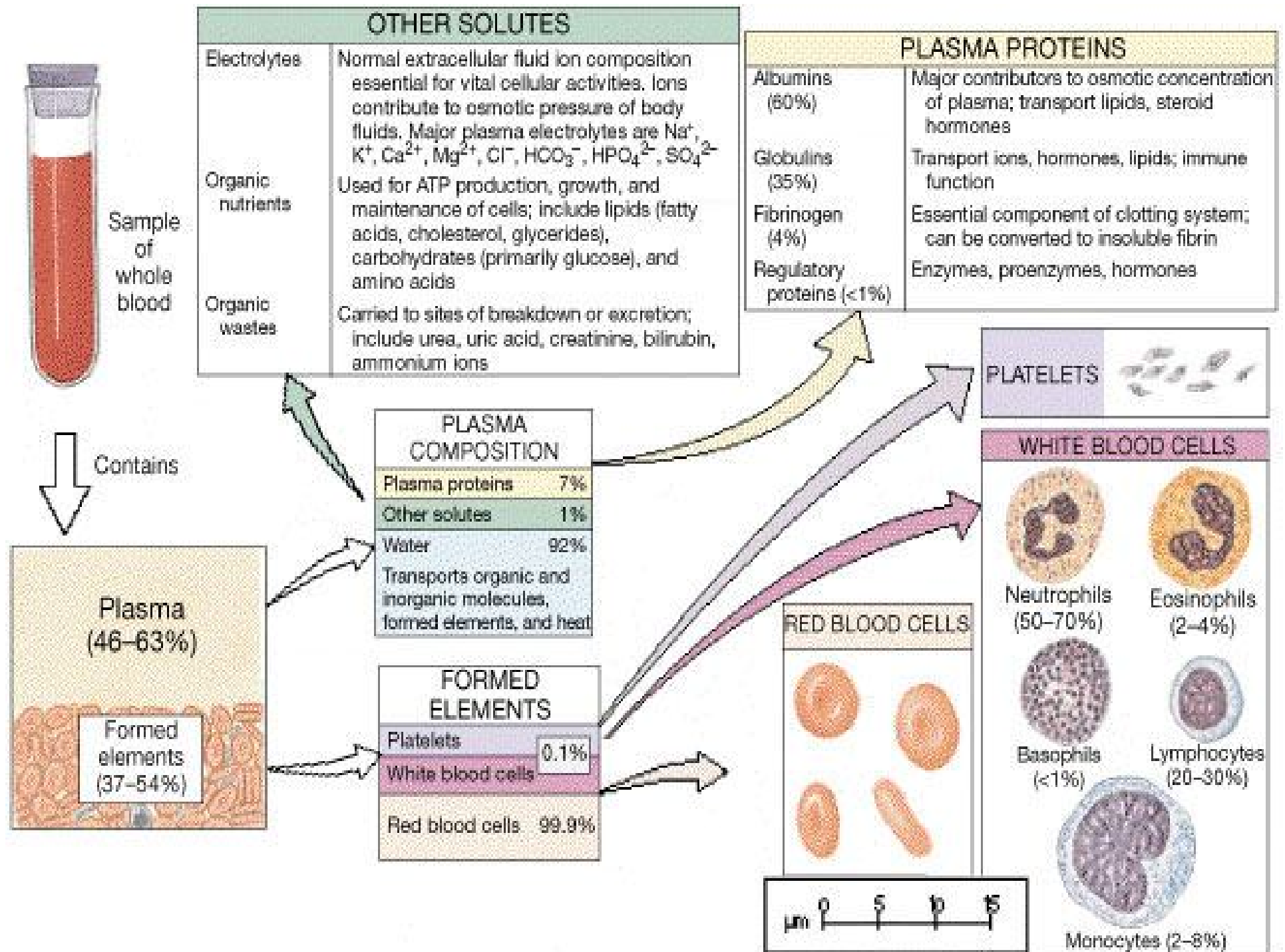


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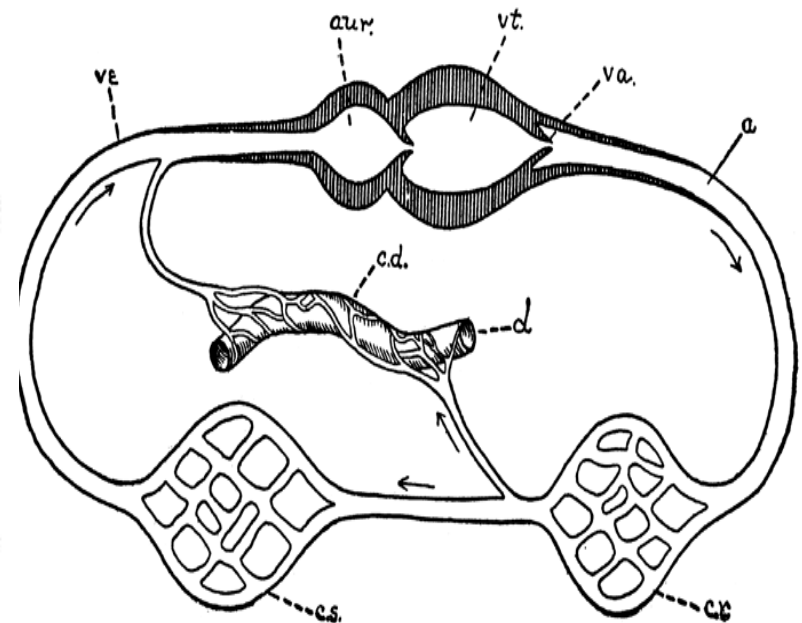
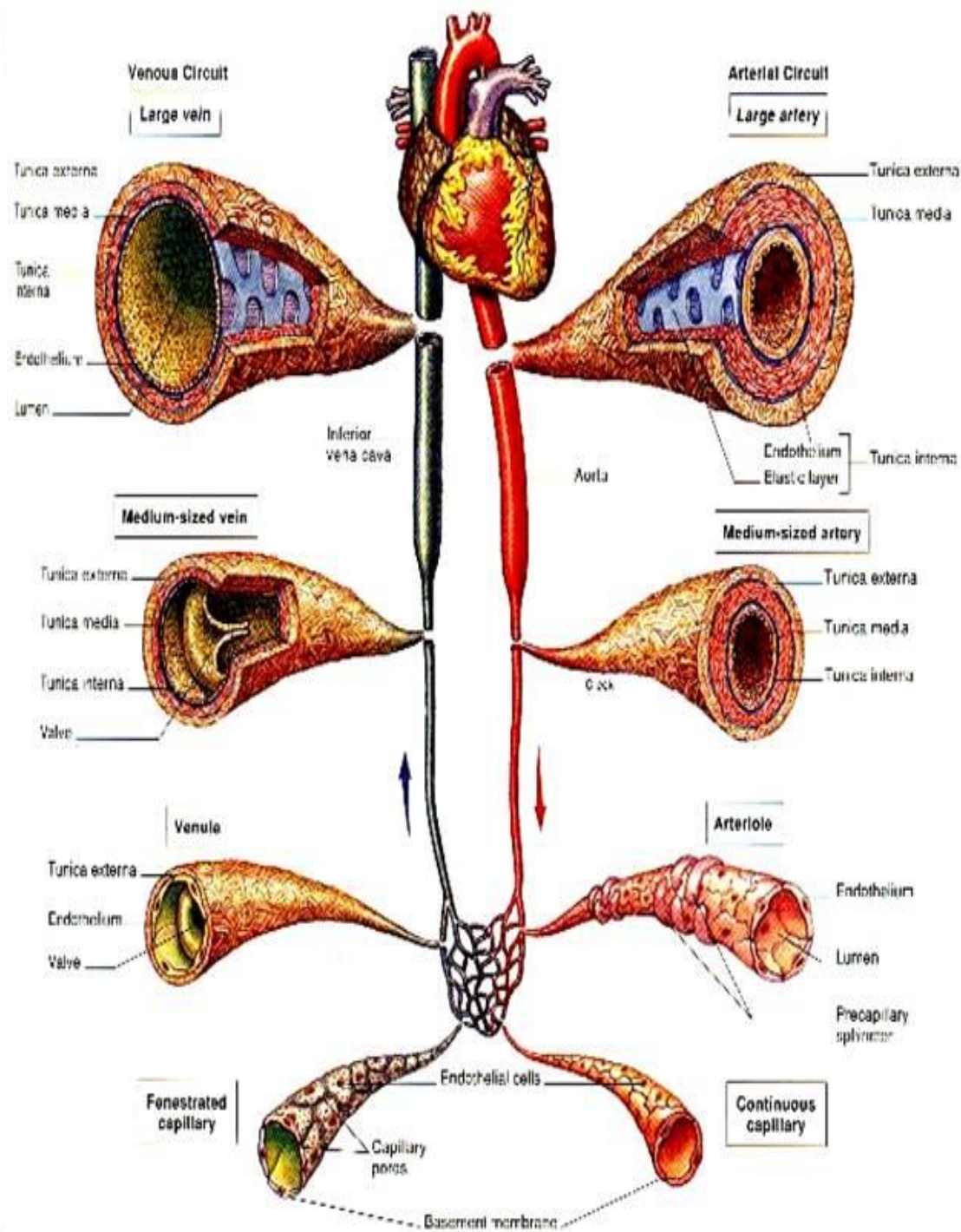
- **Blood is a connective tissue whose matrix is fluid.**
- **It is composed of:**
 - red corpuscles,
 - white cells,
 - platelets,
 - blood plasma.
- **It is transported throughout the body within blood vessels.**

- In human adults about 5 liter of blood contribute 7-8 % to the body weight of the individual.
- The contribution of red blood cells (erythrocytes) to the total volume of the blood (hematocrit) is about 43%.
- Erythrocytes are the dominant (99%) but not the only type of cells in the blood.
- Erythrocytes, leukocytes and blood platelets = formed elements of the blood.
- Erythrocytes and blood platelets perform their functions exclusively in the blood stream.
- In contrast, leukocytes reside only temporarily in the blood.
- Leukocytes can leave the blood stream through the walls of capillaries and venules and enter either connective or lymphoid tissues.



Overview of Blood Circulation

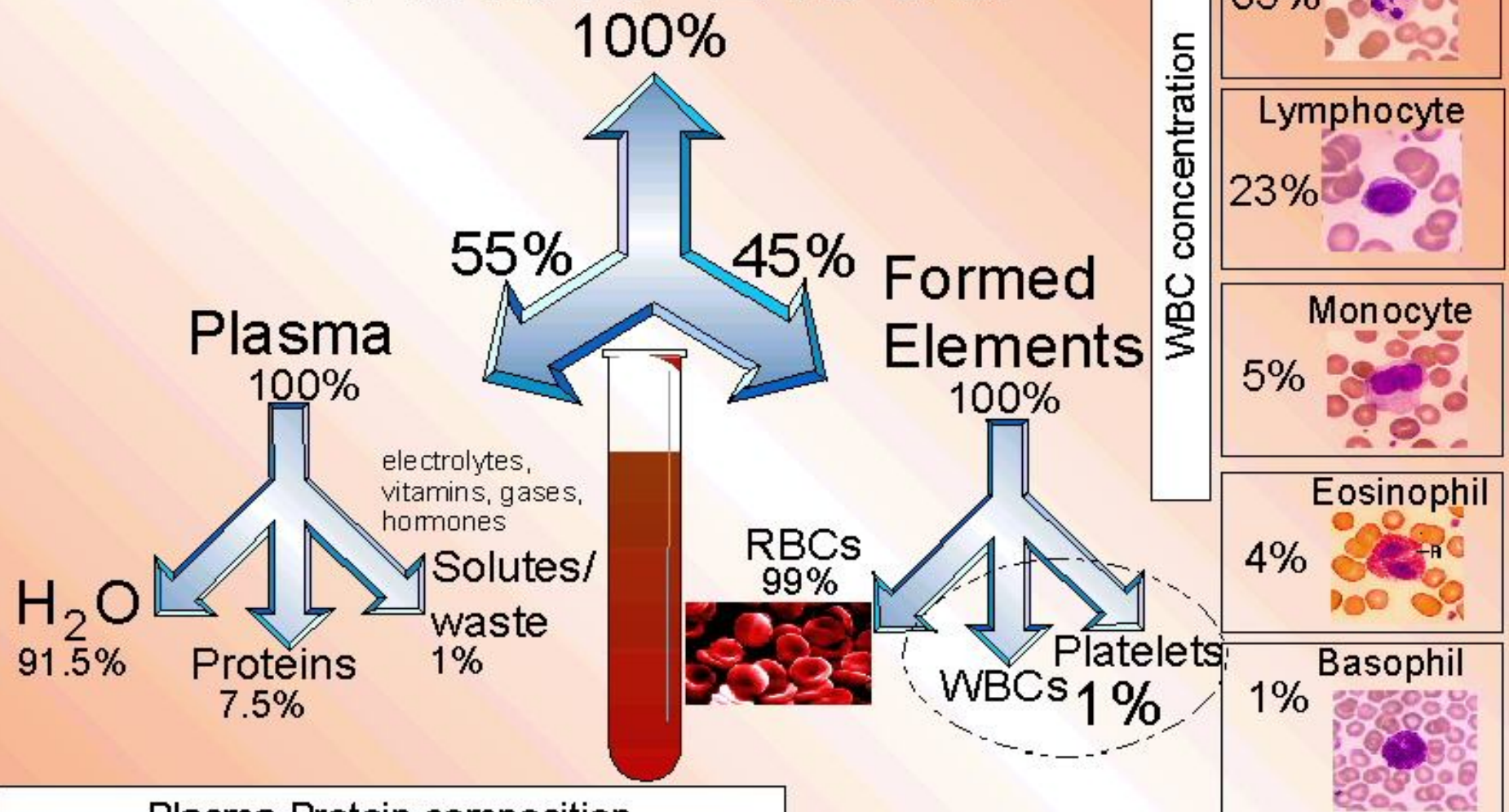
- Blood leaves the heart via arteries that branch repeatedly until they become capillaries
- Oxygen (O_2) and nutrients diffuse across capillary walls and enter tissues
- Carbon dioxide (CO_2) and wastes move from tissues into the blood
- Oxygen-deficient blood leaves the capillaries and flows in veins to the heart
- This blood flows to the lungs where it releases CO_2 and picks up O_2
- The oxygen-rich blood returns to the heart



Composition of Blood

- Blood is the **body's only fluid** tissue
- It is **composed of liquid plasma and formed elements**
- Formed elements include:
 - Erythrocytes, or red blood cells (RBCs)
 - Leukocytes, or white blood cells (WBCs)
 - Platelets
- Hematocrit – the percentage of RBCs out of the total blood volume

Whole Blood



Plasma Protein composition

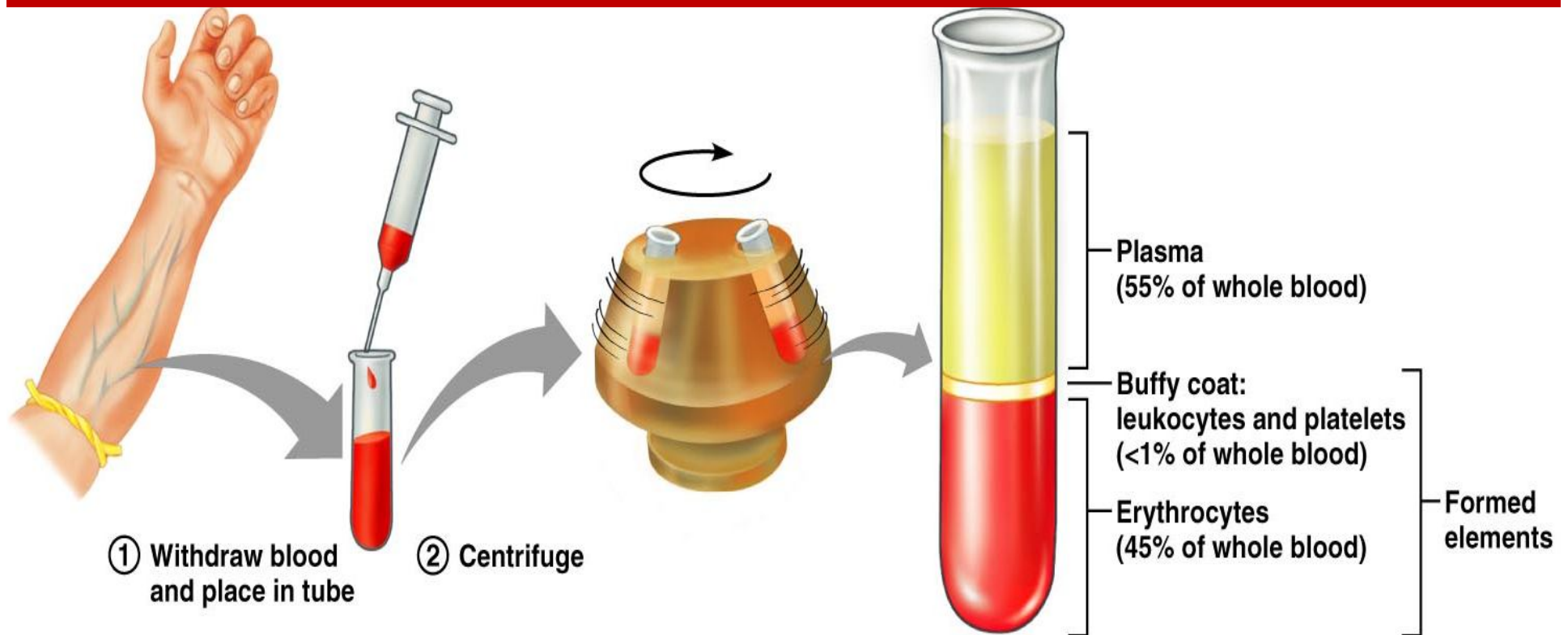
Albumins 54% smallest, most abundant. transport fatty acids	Globulins 38% from plasma & liver cells; 38% Gamma Globulins Immunoglobulins	Fibrinogen 7% + trace substances
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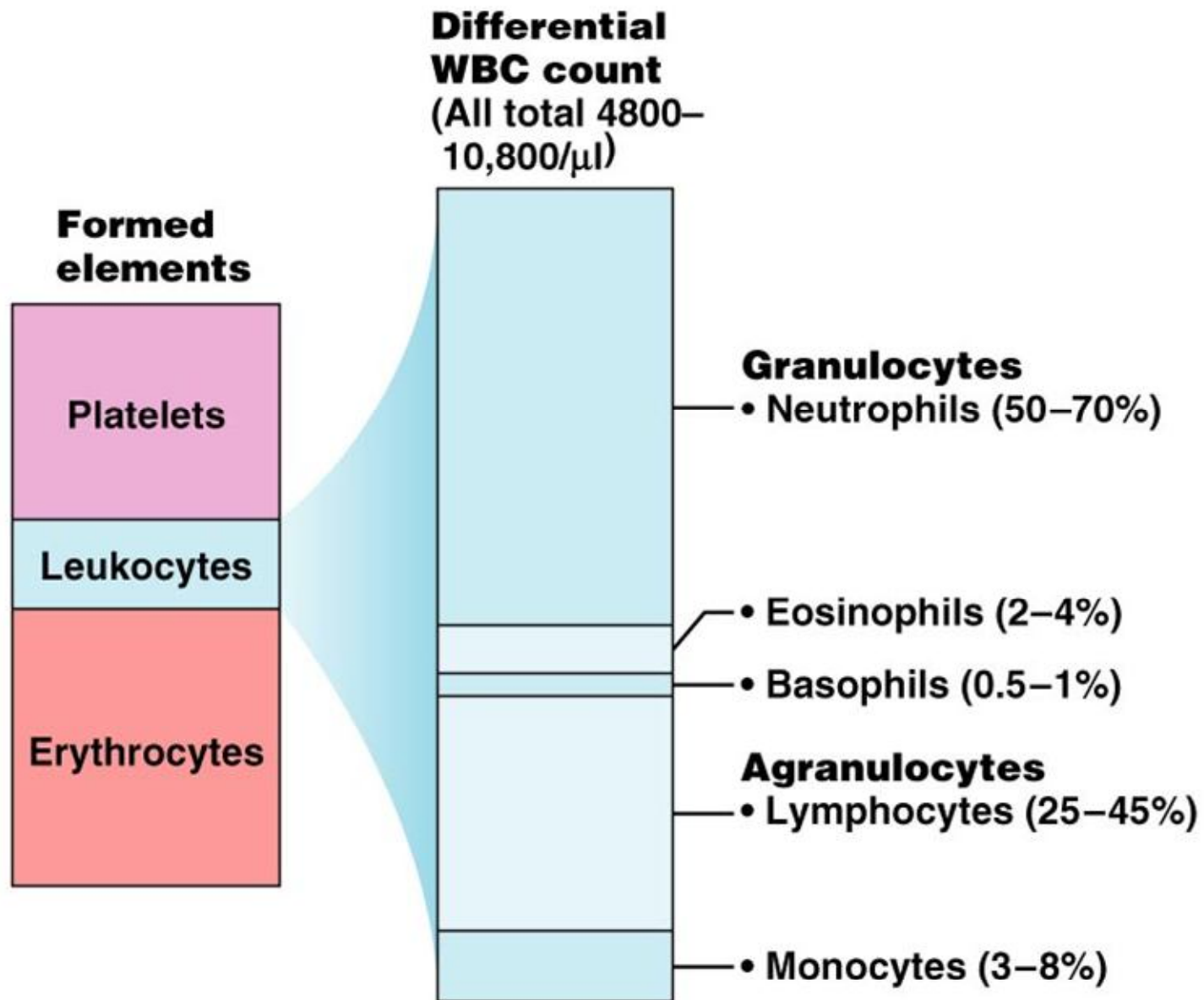
fibrinogen- 7%, made by liver

Components of Whole Blood

Whole blood is a living tissue that circulates through the heart, arteries, veins, and capillaries carrying nourishment, electrolytes, hormones, vitamins, antibodies, heat, and oxygen to the body's tissues.

Whole blood contains red blood cells, white blood cells, and platelets suspended in a fluid called plasma.





The volume of blood in an average-sized person (70 kg; 154 lbs) is approximately 5.5 L.

If we take the hematocrit to be 45 percent, then

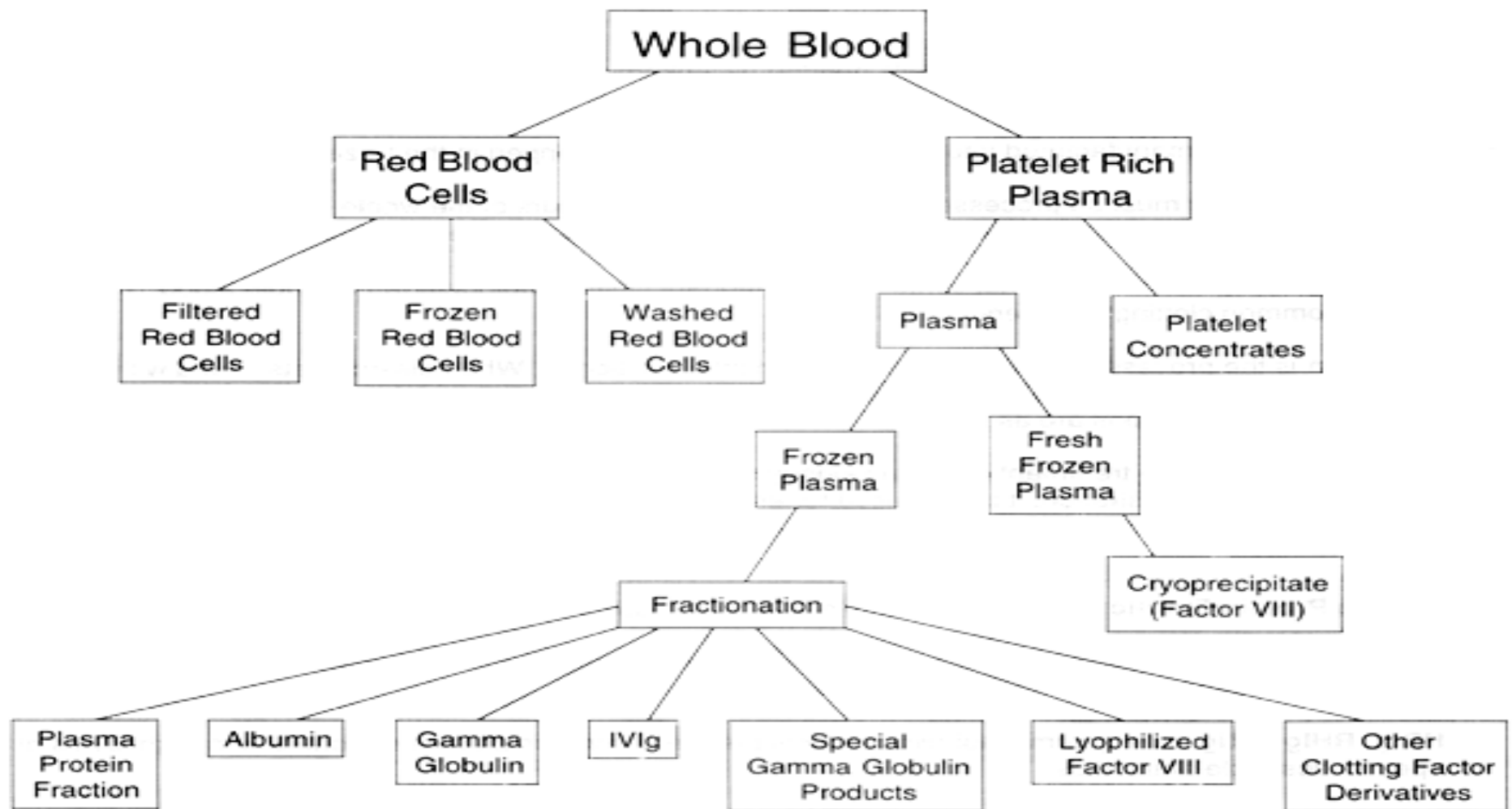
$$\text{Erythrocyte volume} = 0.45 \times 5.5 \text{ L} = 2.5 \text{ L}$$

Since the volume occupied by the leukocytes and platelets is normally negligible, the plasma volume equals the difference between blood volume and erythrocyte volume; therefore, in our average person

$$\text{Plasma volume} = 5.5 \text{ L} - 2.5 \text{ L} = 3.0 \text{ L}$$

Blood Volume

- Blood volume is about 8% of body weight.
- 1 kg of blood \approx 1 L of blood
- $70 \text{ kg} \times 0.08 = 5.6 \text{ Kg} = 5.6 \text{ L}$
- 45 % is formed elements
- 55% plasma



BLOOD PRODUCTS

- Blood-cells products
 - whole blood
 - packed red blood cells
 - leukocyte-poor (reduced) red cells
 - washed red blood cells
 - random-donor platelets concentrates
 - single-donor platelets concentrates [human leukocyte antigens(HLA)-matched platelets]
 - irradiated blood products (red blood cells and platelets concentrates)- after exposure 20 to 40 Gy
 - leukocyte (granulocyte) concentrates
- Plasma products
 - fresh-frozen plasma (FFP)
 - cryoprecipitate
 - factor concentrates (VIII, IX)
 - albumin
 - immune globulins

Physical characteristics

- **Viscosity** 4.5 - 5.5 (where $H_2O = 1.0$)
- **Temperature** 100.4F [38 degree Celsius]
- **pH** 7.35 - 7.45
- **Salinity** . 85% - .90%
- **Volume** 5 - 6 liters in males
4 - 5 liters in females
- **Blood accounts for approximately 7-8% of body weight**

**Blood is a sticky, opaque fluid with a metallic taste
Color varies from scarlet to dark red**

- Blood volume and osmotic pressure are regulated by several negative feedback mechanisms.
- Those mechanisms of specific interest involve
 - aldosterone,
 - ADH
 - *atrial natriuretic peptide*

Hematocrit

- The hematocrit (Ht or HCT) or packed cell volume (PCV) or erythrocyte volume fraction (EVF) is the proportion of blood volume that is occupied by red blood cells.
- The volume of RBCs refers to the amount of space that the RBCs occupy within the blood.
- **males the average is slightly higher at 47% (40-54%) due to higher levels of testosterone in males.**
- **Testosterone promotes synthesis of EPO (*erythropoietin*), which contributes to a higher RBC count.**



Hematocrit

- **At sea level, the hematocrit of a normal adult male averages about 47, which means that 47% of the blood volume is RBCs, while that of a normal adult female is 42.**
- **$Ht = Hb \times 3$**

- The normal ranges for hematocrit are dependent on age and, after adolescence, the sex of the individual.
- The normal ranges are:
 - Newborns: 55%-68%
 - One (1) week of age: 47%-65%
 - One (1) month of age: 37%-49%
 - Three (3) months of age: 30%-36%
 - One (1) year of age: 29%-41%
 - Ten (10) years of age: 36%-40%
 - Adult males: 42%-54%
 - Adult women: 38%-46%

Functions of Blood

- Blood performs a number of functions dealing with:
 - Substance distribution
 - Regulation of blood levels of particular substances
 - Body protection

Functions of Blood

- **Primary**
 - Transportation
 - Exchange
- **Secondary**
 - Immunity
 - Thermoregulation
 - Fluid volume balance
 - pH balance



Distribution

- Blood transports:
 - Oxygen from the lungs and nutrients from the digestive tract
 - Metabolic wastes from cells to the lungs and kidneys for elimination
 - Hormones from endocrine glands to target organs

Regulation

- Blood maintains:
 - Appropriate body temperature by absorbing and distributing heat
 - Normal pH in body tissues using buffer systems
 - Adequate fluid volume in the circulatory system

Protection

- **Blood prevents blood loss by:**
 - Activating plasma proteins and platelets
 - Initiating clot formation when a vessel is broken
- **Blood prevents infection by:**
 - Synthesizing and utilizing antibodies
 - Activating complement proteins
 - Activating WBCs to defend the body against foreign invaders

Blood Plasma

- **Blood Plasma - Representing 55% of whole blood**
- **Of plasma, water makes up 91.5%, while 7.5% makes up proteins.**
- **1% is a mix of other solutes including electrolytes, enzymes, hormones and waste products.**

Blood Plasma

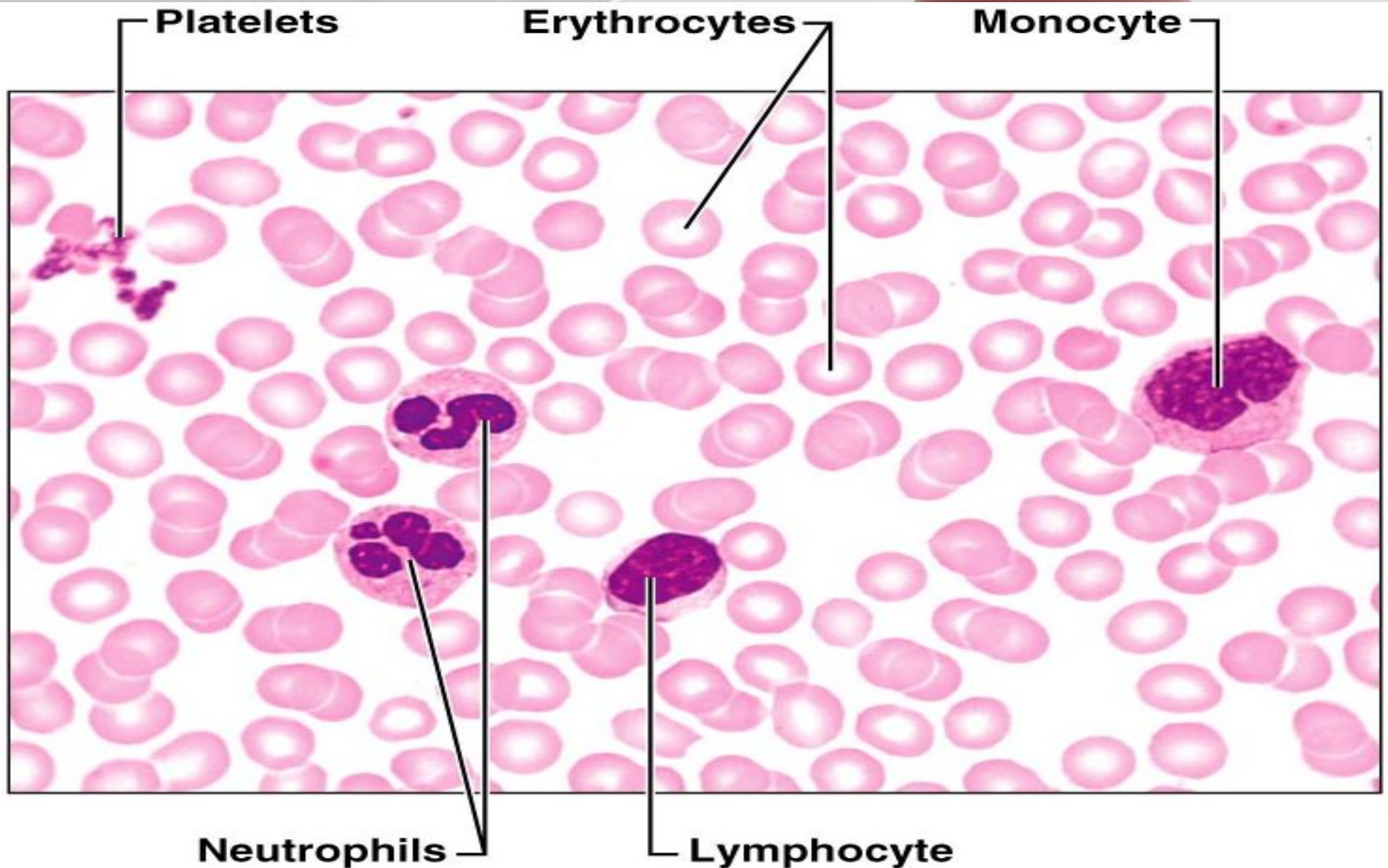
- **Blood plasma contains over 100 solutes, including:**
 - Proteins – albumin, globulins, clotting proteins, and others
 - Lactic acid, urea, creatinine
 - Organic nutrients – glucose, carbohydrates, amino acids
 - Electrolytes – sodium, potassium, calcium, chloride, bicarbonate
 - Respiratory gases – oxygen and carbon dioxide

- **There are 3 basic types of plasma proteins synthesized by hepatocytes (liver cells):**
 - ***Albumins* (54%)**
 - ***Globulins* (38%)**
 - ***Fibrinogen* (7%)**
- **Gamma globulins are also known as *immunoglobulins* or *antibodies*.
bacterial or viral invasion prompts the production of millions of antibodies, which bind to an *antigen* (invader).**

TABLE 17.1 Composition of Plasma

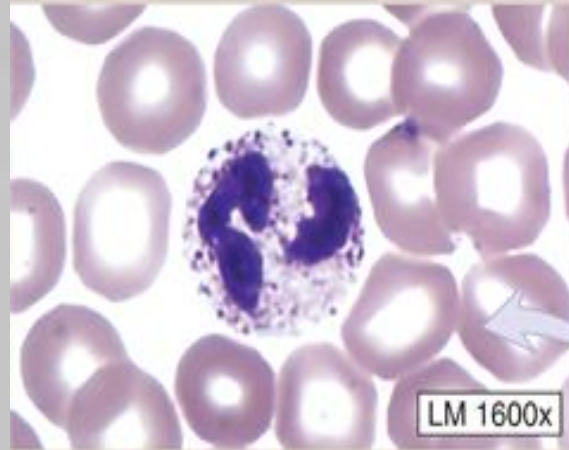
CONSTITUENT	DESCRIPTION AND IMPORTANCE
Water	90% of plasma volume; dissolving and suspending medium for solutes of blood; absorbs heat
Solutes	
Plasma proteins	8% (by weight) of plasma volume; all contribute to osmotic pressure, maintaining water balance in blood and tissues; all have other functions (transport, enzymatic, etc.)
▪ Albumin	60% of plasma proteins; produced by liver; main contributor to osmotic pressure
▪ Globulins alpha, beta	36% of plasma proteins Produced by liver; mostly transport proteins that bind to lipids, metal ions, and fat-soluble vitamins
gamma	Antibodies released by plasma cells during immune response
▪ Fibrinogen	4% of plasma proteins; produced by liver; forms fibrin threads of blood clot
Nonprotein nitrogenous substances	By-products of cellular metabolism, such as urea, uric acid, creatinine, and ammonium salts
Nutrients (organic)	Materials absorbed from digestive tract and transported for use throughout body; include glucose and other simple carbohydrates, amino acids (digestion products of proteins), fatty acids, glycerol and triglycerides (fat products), cholesterol, and vitamins
Electrolytes	Cations include sodium, potassium, calcium, magnesium; anions include chloride, phosphate, sulfate, and bicarbonate; help to maintain plasma osmotic pressure and normal blood pH
Respiratory gases	Oxygen and carbon dioxide; oxygen mostly bound to hemoglobin inside RBCs; carbon dioxide transported bound to hemoglobin in RBCs or dissolved in plasma as bicarbonate ion or CO ₂
Hormones	Steroid and thyroid hormones carried by plasma proteins

Components of Whole Blood

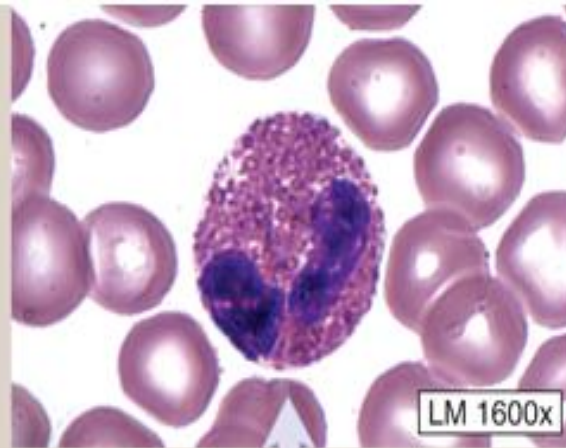


Formed Elements

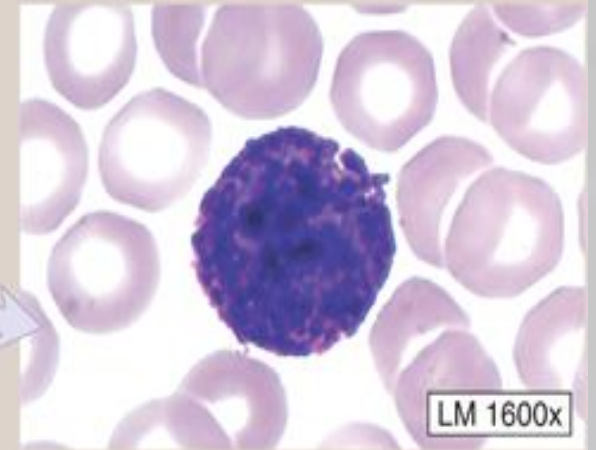
- Erythrocytes, leukocytes, and platelets make up the formed elements
 - Only WBCs are complete cells
 - RBCs have no nuclei or organelles, and platelets are just cell fragments
- Most formed elements survive in the bloodstream for only a few days
- Most blood cells do not divide but are renewed by cells in bone marrow



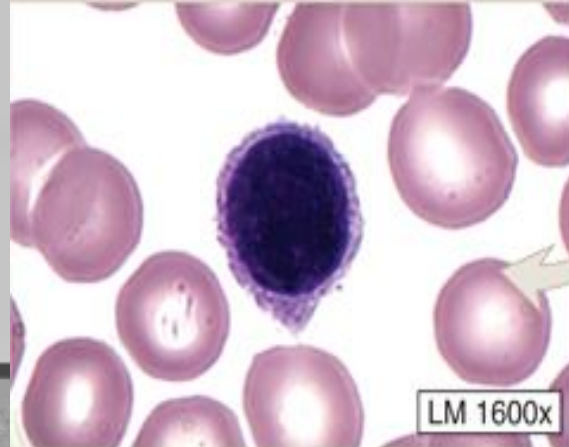
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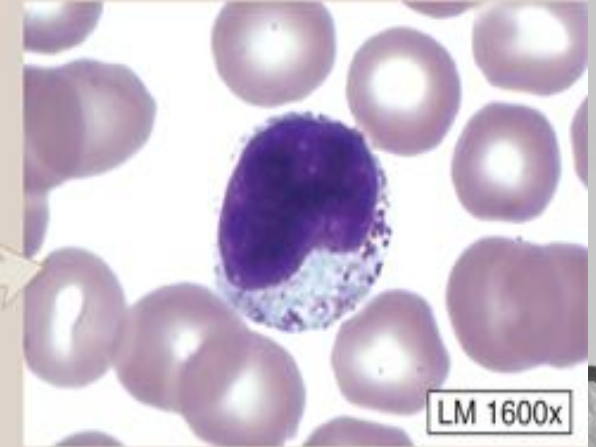
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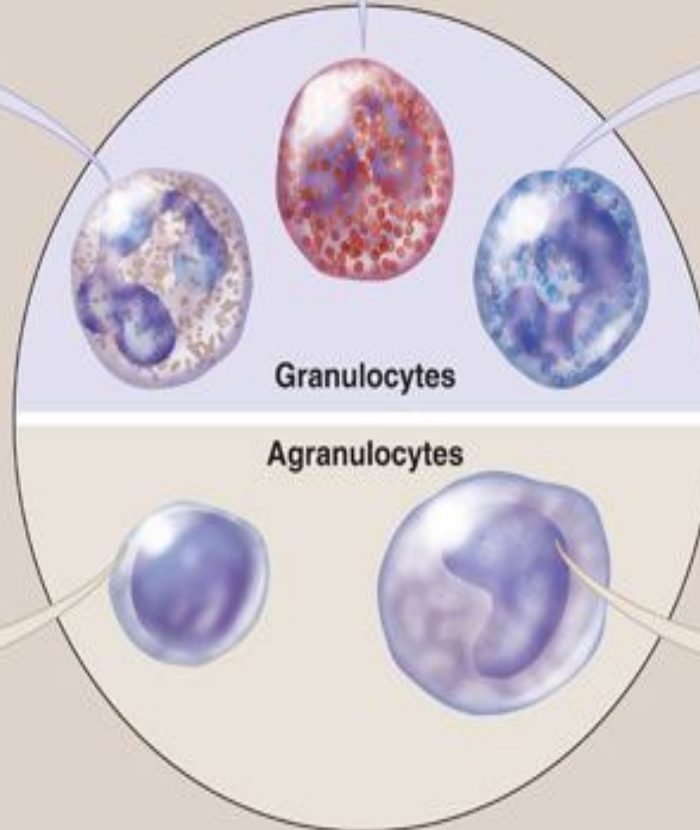
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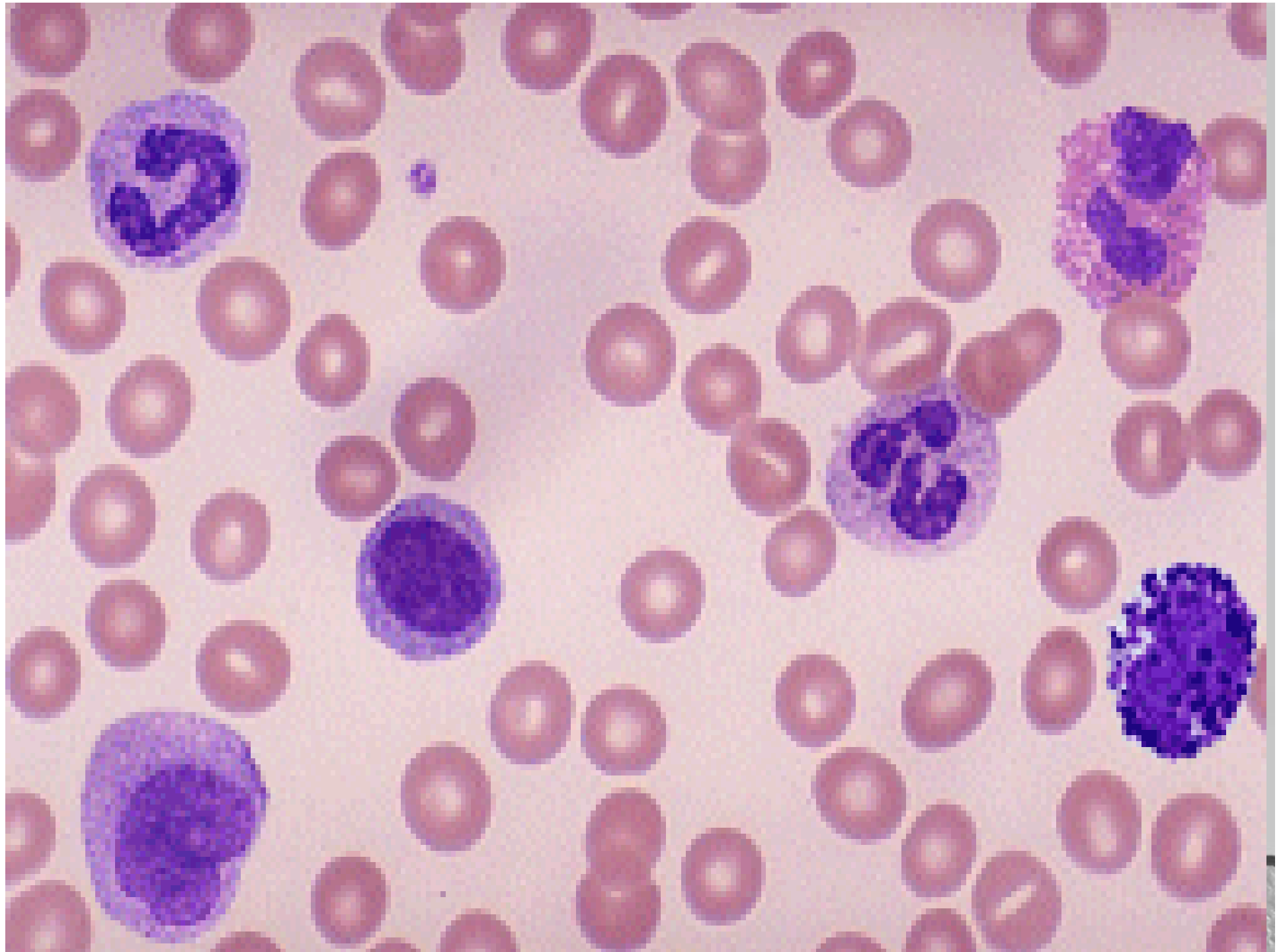


Lymphocyte





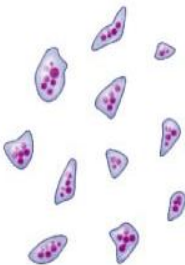
Monocyte





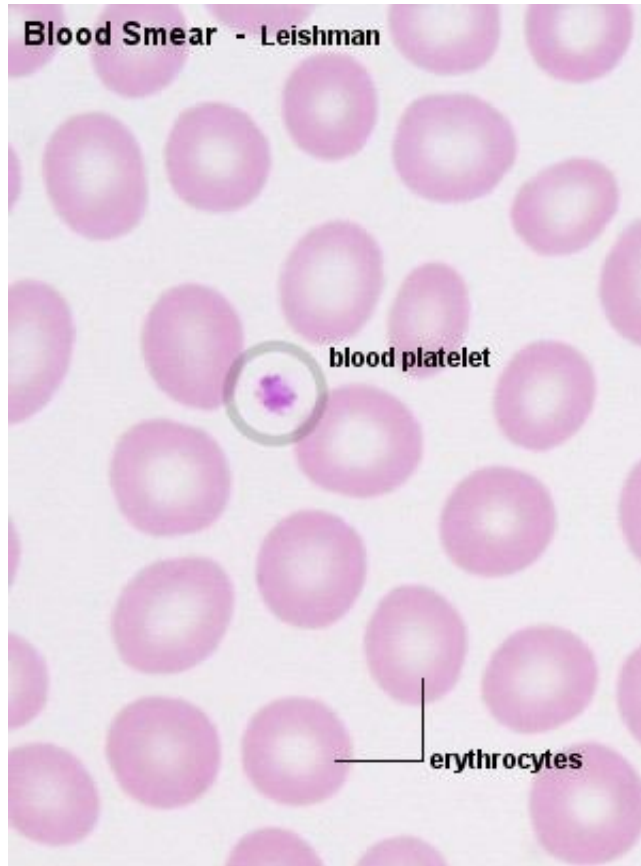
Name	Concentration	Characteristics	Functions
Erythrocytes (RBCs)	4.8 Million/microliter in females 5.4 Million/microliter in males	Biconcave disc no nucleus 120 day lifespan	Transports oxygen and carbon dioxide
Neutrophils	60% - 70% WBC concentration	Has 2-5 lobes joined by chromatin with a fine, pale granular cytoplasm	Phagocytosis. Uses lysozyme, super oxides and peroxides to destroy antigens.
Eosinophils	2% - 4% WBC concentration	has 2 - 3 lobes with large red/orange granules.	Responds to histamine in allergic reactions. Phagocytosis. destroys parasitic worms.
Basophils	0.5% - 1% WBC concentration	2 lobes with large, deep blue/purple granules	Intensify inflammatory response by liberating heparin, histamine and serotonin
Lymphocytes	20% - 25% WBC concentration	T/B cells. Cytoplasm forms ring around nucleus	Mediates immune response. B cells become plasma cells that form antibodies. T cells attack viruses, cancer cells and transplanted tissue cells.
Monocytes	3% - 8% WBC concentration	kidney-shaped nucleus with blue/gray cytoplasm	Becomes macrophage before phagocytosis
Thrombocytes (Platelets)	150,000 - 400,000/microliter	cells fragments, no nucleus	Forms platelet plug in hemostasis, and releases chemicals to promote vascular spasms and blood clotting.

TABLE 17.2 Summary of Formed Elements of the Blood *(continued)*

CELL TYPE	ILLUSTRATION	DESCRIPTION*	CELLS/ μl (mm^3) OF BLOOD	DURATION OF DEVELOPMENT (D) AND LIFE SPAN (LS)	FUNCTION
Leukocytes (white blood cells, WBCs)		Spherical, nucleated cells	4800–10,800		
Agranulocytes					
▪ Lymphocyte		Nucleus spherical or indented; pale blue cytoplasm; diameter 5–17 μm	1500–3000	D: days to weeks LS: hours to years	Mount immune response by direct cell attack or via antibodies
▪ Monocyte		Nucleus U or kidney shaped; gray-blue cytoplasm; diameter 14–24 μm	100–700	D: 2–3 days LS: months	Phagocytosis; develop into macrophages in the tissues
Platelets		Discoid cytoplasmic fragments containing granules; stain deep purple; diameter 2–4 μm	150,000–400,000	D: 4–5 days LS: 5–10 days	Seal small tears in blood vessels; instrumental in blood clotting

*Appearance when stained with Wright's stain.

Blood Smear - Leishman



blood platelet

erythrocytes

Erythrocytes

Life cycle

1. erythropoiesis
 - a. negative - feedback regulation
 1. erythropoietin
2. 120 days ---> destruction
3. recycling bilirubin; jaundice

Erythropoiesis-Brief

- Bone marrow
 - Pluripotent stem cells
 - Chemical regulation
 - Cytokines
 - Erythroid specific growth factor
 - Erythropoietin (EPO)
 - Life span
 - Reticulocyte- 4 days
 - RBC –120 days

Production of Erythrocytes

- **Hematopoiesis** – blood cell formation
- Hematopoiesis occurs in the red bone marrow of the:
 - Axial skeleton and girdles
 - Epiphyses of the humerus and femur
- **Hemocytoblasts** give rise to all formed elements

ERYTHROPOIESIS: SITES/PHASES

- **INTRAUTERINE LIFE:**

- **INTRAVASCULAR PHASE:** Upto 3rd month of Intra Uterine Life.

- Endothelial cells = = = RBCs

- **HEPATIC PHASE:** 3rd to 5th month IUL

- Liver & Spleen

- nRBCs from Mesenchymal cells.

- **MYELOID PHASE:** From 5th month of IUL onwards.

ERYTHROPOIESIS: SITES/PHASES contd.

- **POST NATAL LIFE:**

- **CHILDREN:**

- **Predominantly Red Bone Marrow of skeleton:**
 - Axial &
 - Appendicular.

- **ADULTS:**

- **Red Bone Marrow of Axial Skeleton.**

Production of Erythrocytes: Erythropoiesis

- A hemocytoblast is transformed into a proerythroblast
- Proerythroblasts develop into early erythroblasts
- The developmental pathway consists of three phases
 - *1 – ribosome synthesis in early erythroblasts*
 - *2 – Hb accumulation in late erythroblasts and normoblasts*
 - *3 – ejection of the nucleus from normoblasts and formation of reticulocytes*
- Reticulocytes then become mature erythrocytes

ERYTHROPOIESIS

PROERYTHROBLAST

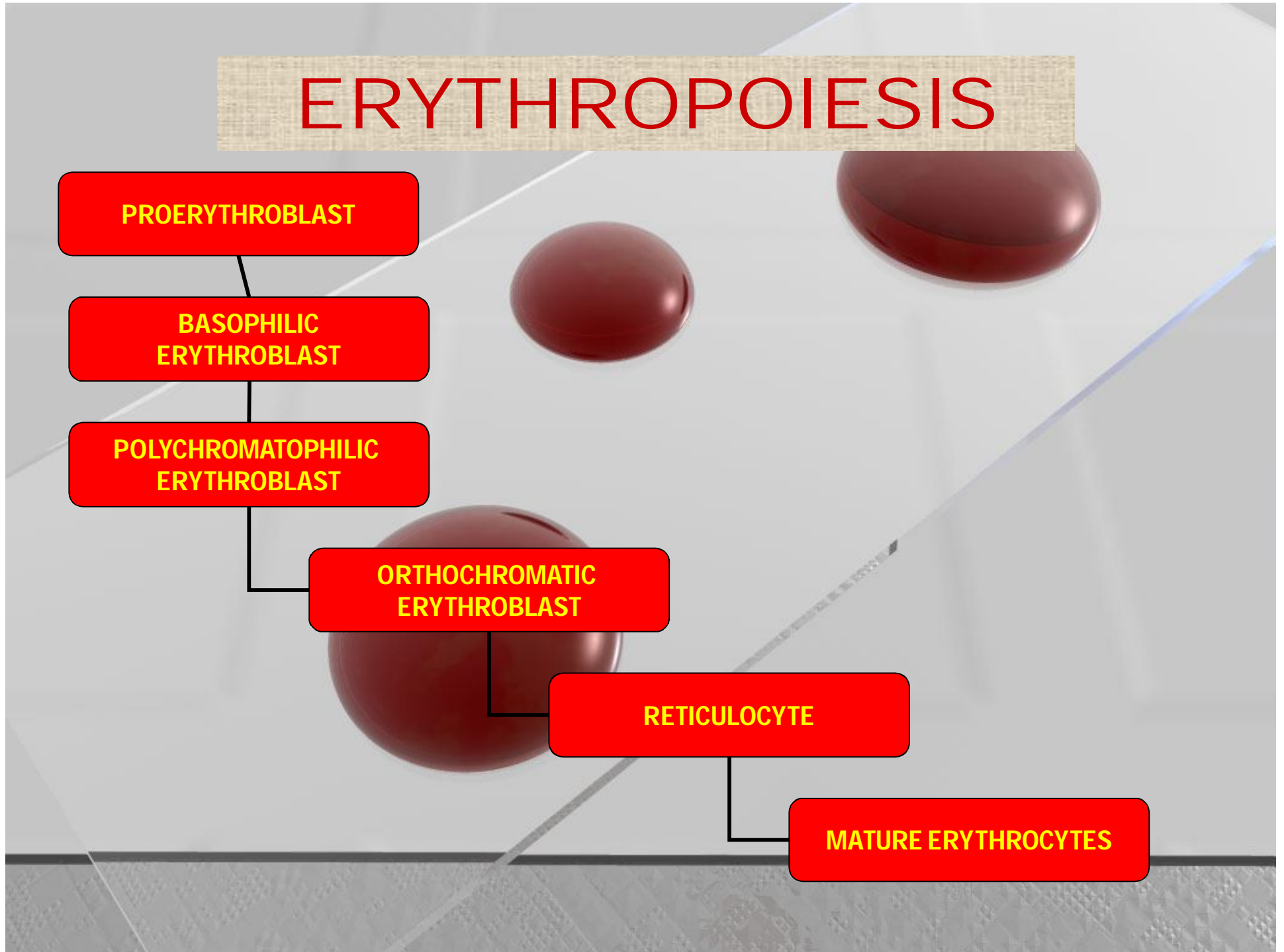
**BASOPHILIC
ERYTHROBLAST**

**POLYCHROMATOPHILIC
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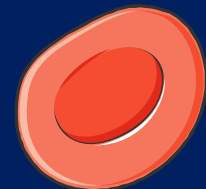
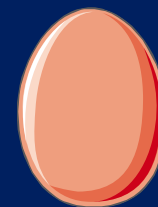
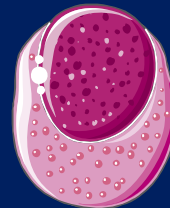
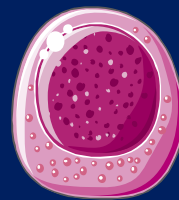
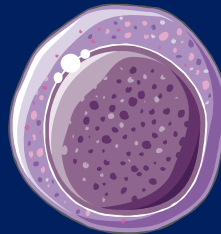
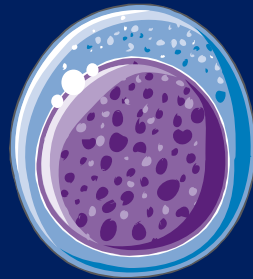
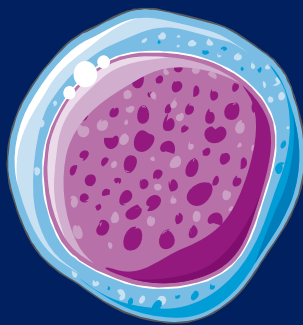
**ORTHOCHROMATIC
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RETICULOCYTE

MATURE ERYTHROCYTES



Erythropoiesis



Proerythroblast

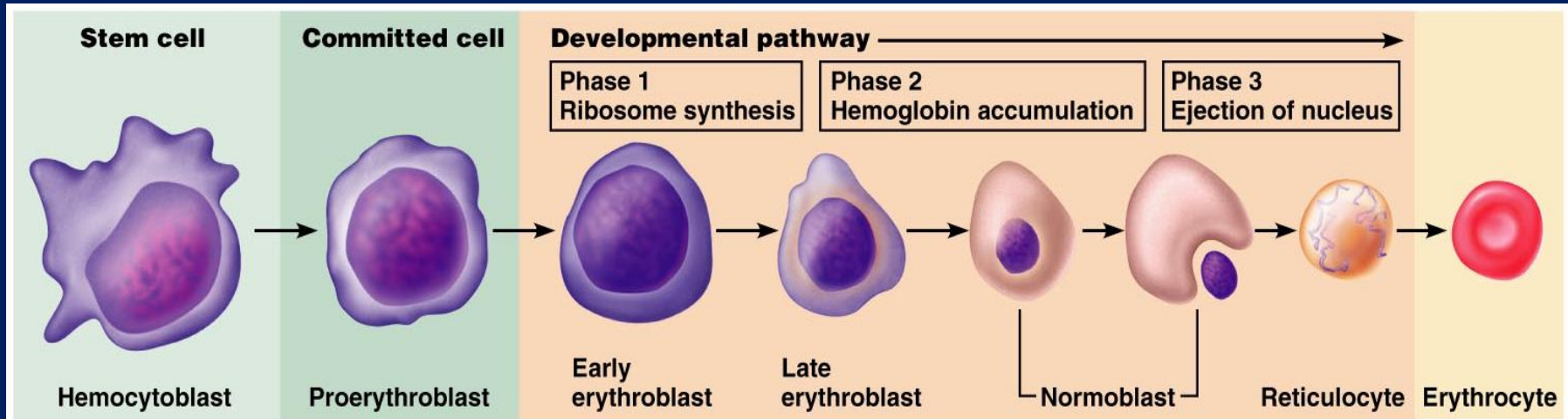
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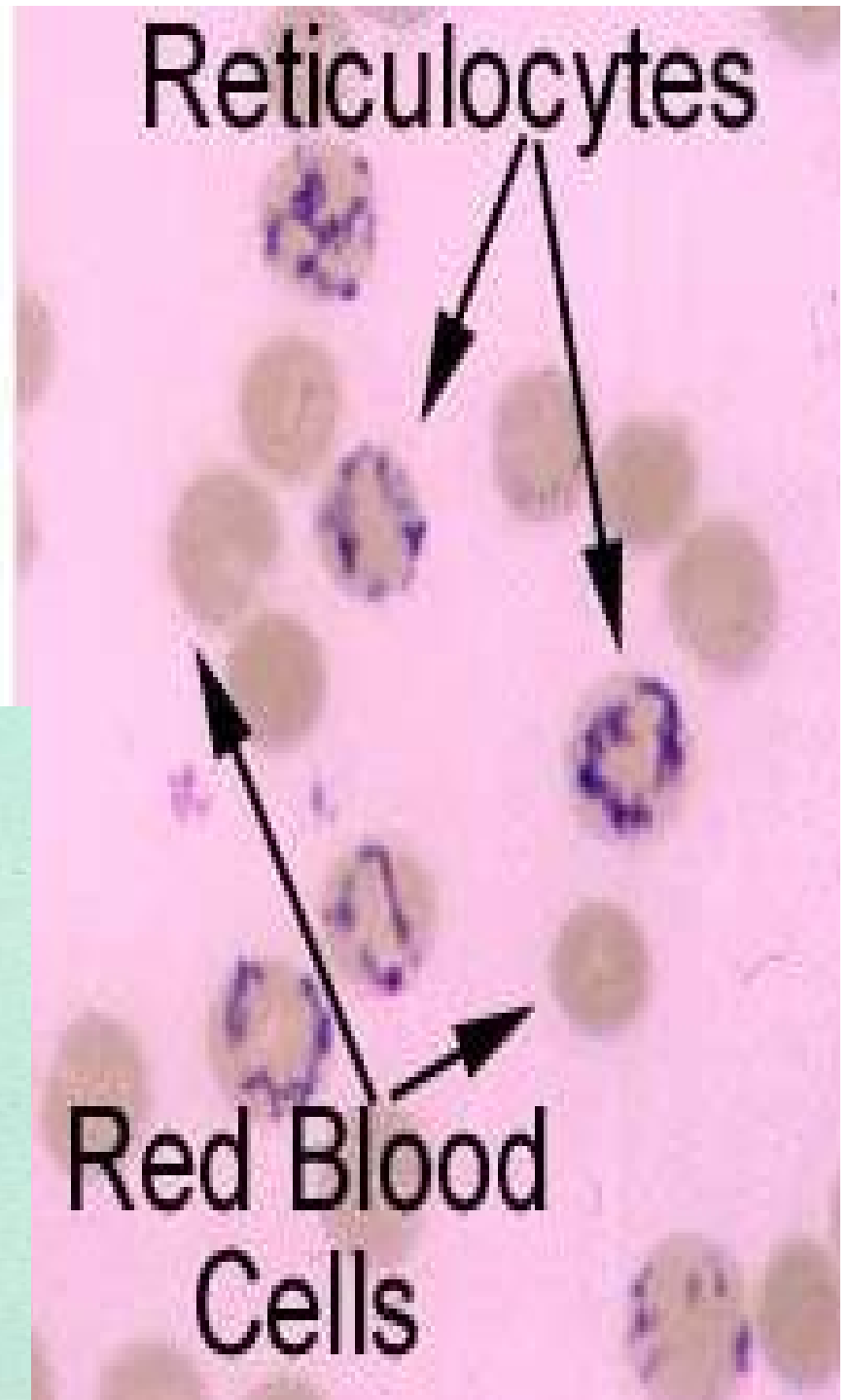
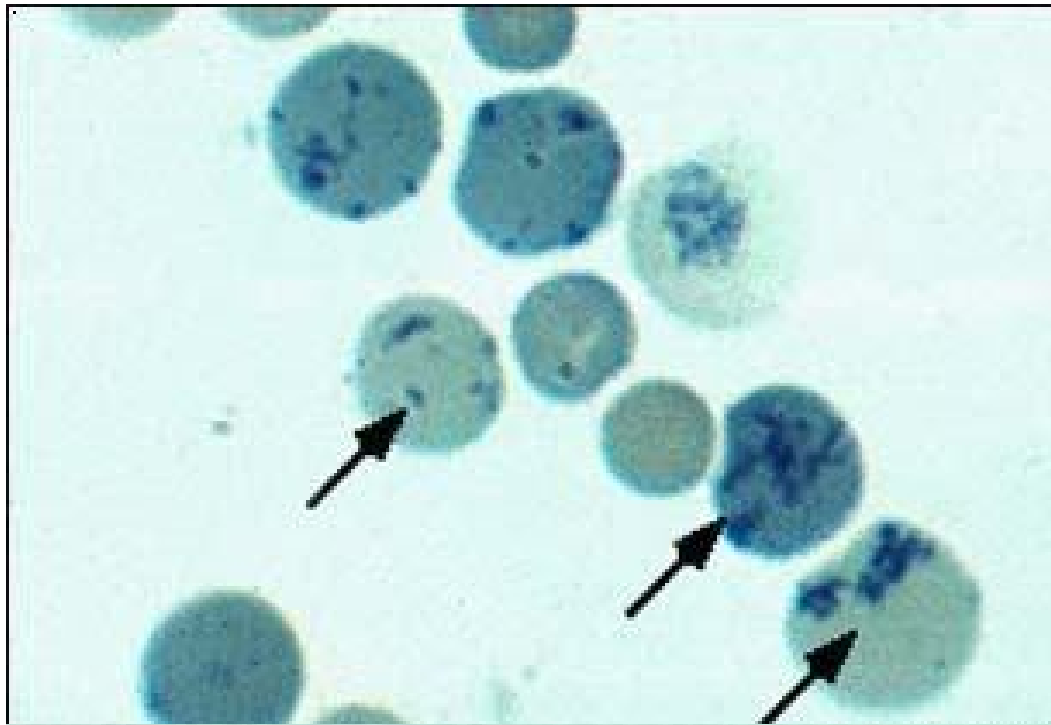
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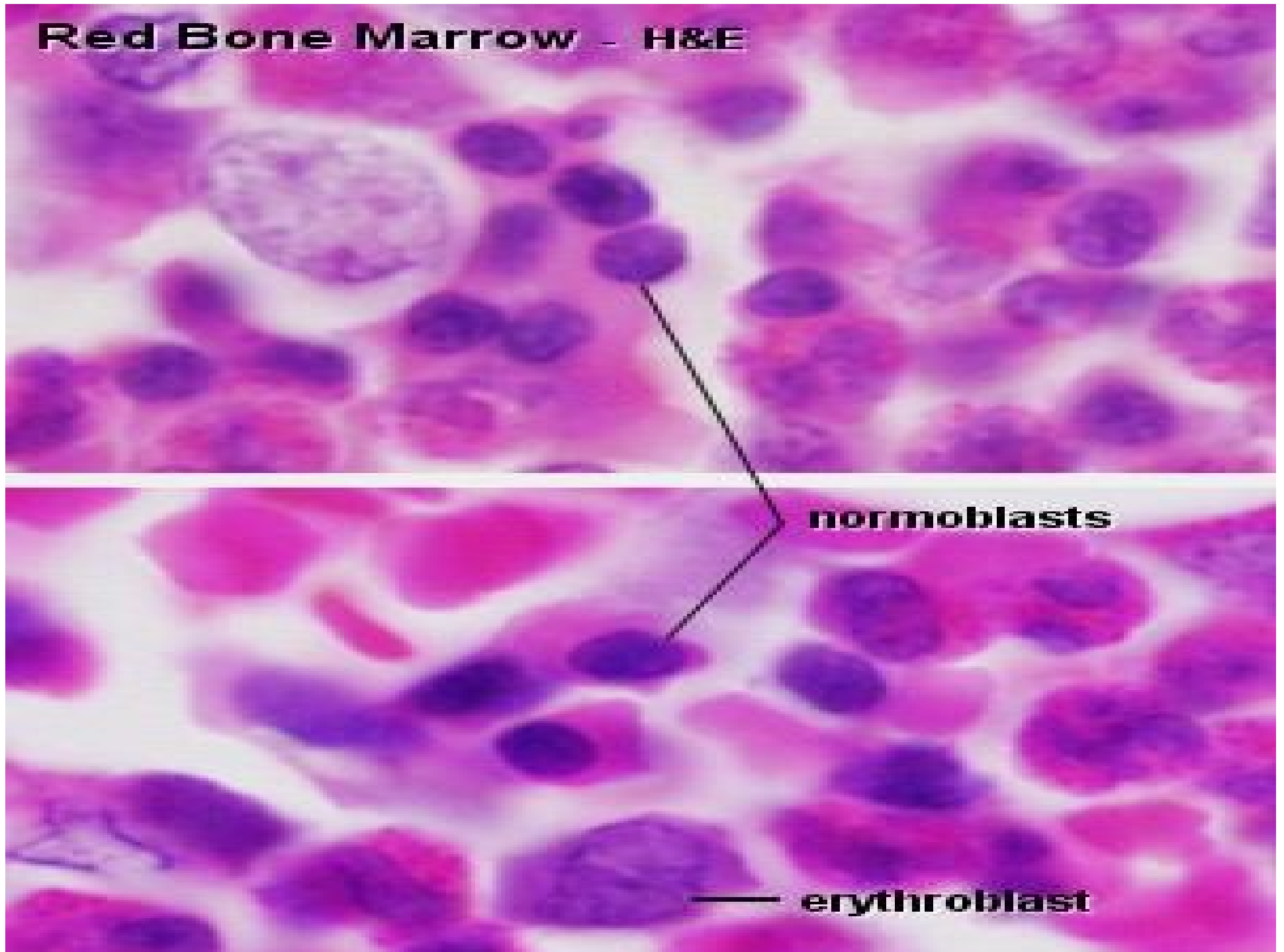
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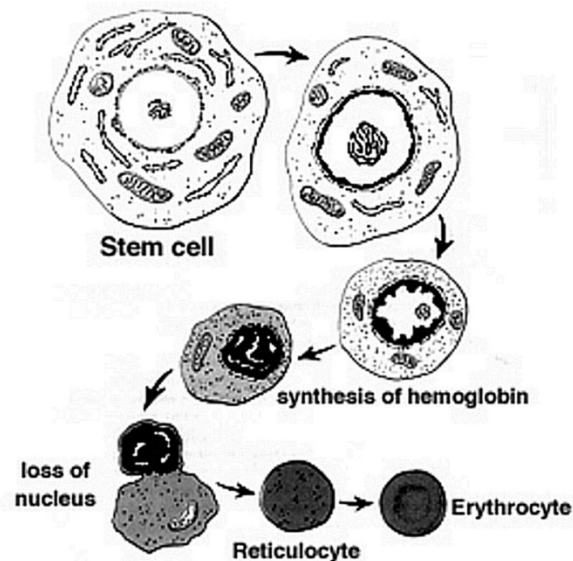
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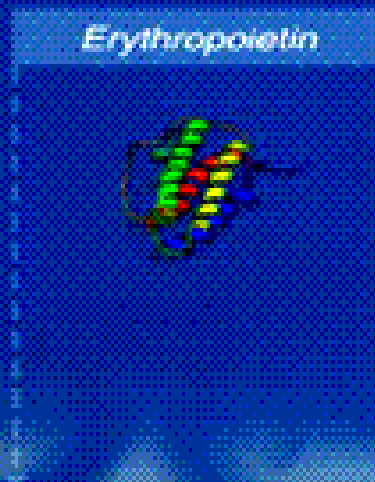


Red Bone Marrow - H&E



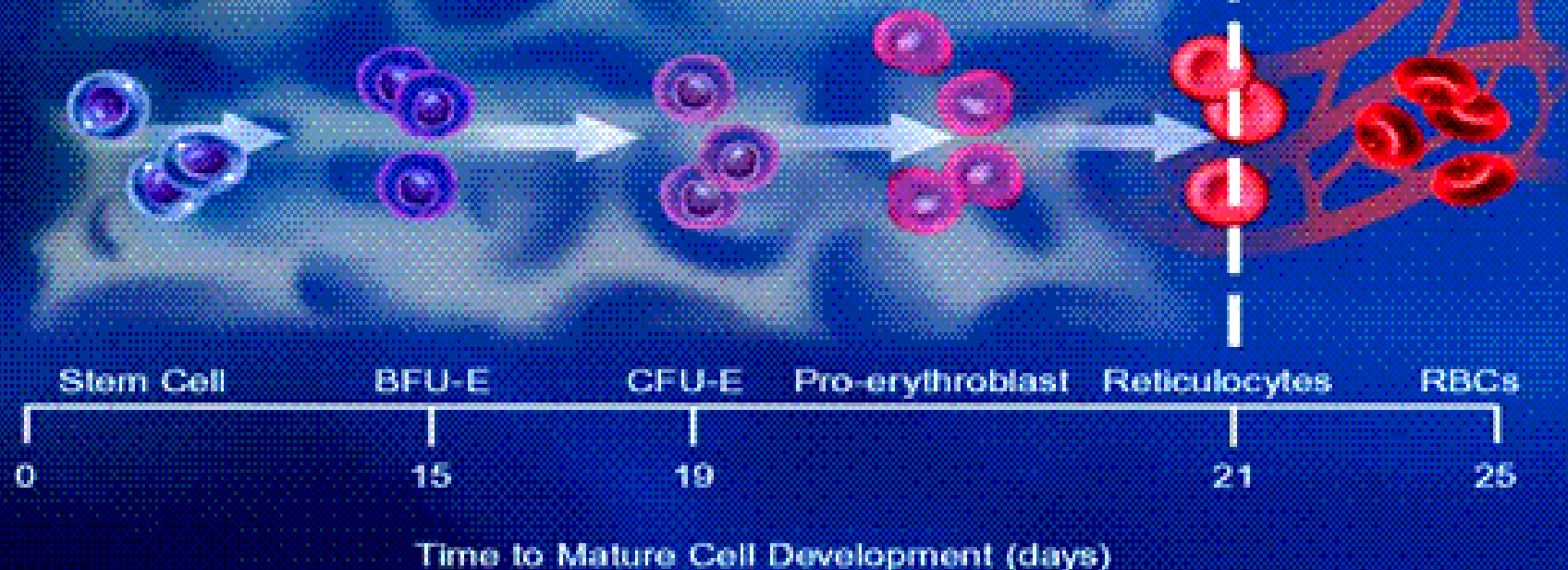


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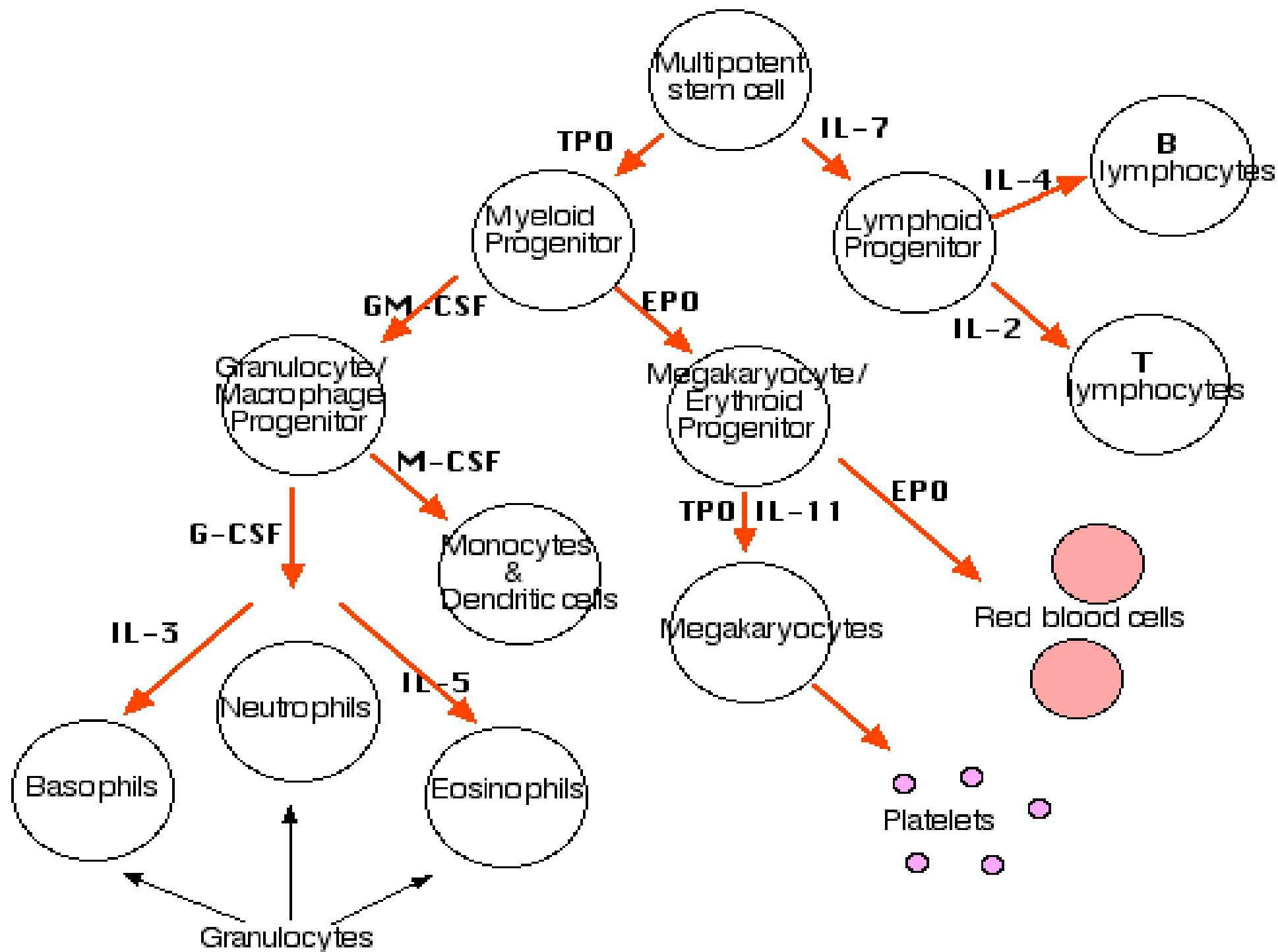


Bone Marrow

Circulation



(Bock, HJ, et al. Hematology in Health and Disease
London, England: WB Saunders Co. 1998)



FACTORS REGULATING ERYTHROPOIESIS

- **SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT REGULATOR:**
“TISSUE OXYGENATION”
- **BURST PROMOTING ACTIVITY**
- **ERYTHROPOIETIN**
- **IRON**
- **VITAMINS:**
 - Vitamin B₁₂
 - Folic Acid
- **MISCELLANEOUS**

Regulation and Requirements for Erythropoiesis

- **Circulating erythrocytes** – the number remains constant and reflects a balance between RBC production and destruction
 - **Too few RBCs leads to tissue hypoxia**
 - **Too many RBCs causes undesirable blood viscosity**
- Erythropoiesis is hormonally controlled and depends on adequate supplies **of iron, amino acids, and B vitamins**

Hormonal Control of Erythropoiesis

- **Erythropoietin (EPO) release by the kidneys is triggered by:**
 - Hypoxia due to decreased RBCs
 - Decreased oxygen availability
 - Increased tissue demand for oxygen
- **Enhanced erythropoiesis increases the:**
 - RBC count in circulating blood
 - Oxygen carrying ability of the blood

Erythropoietin Mechanism

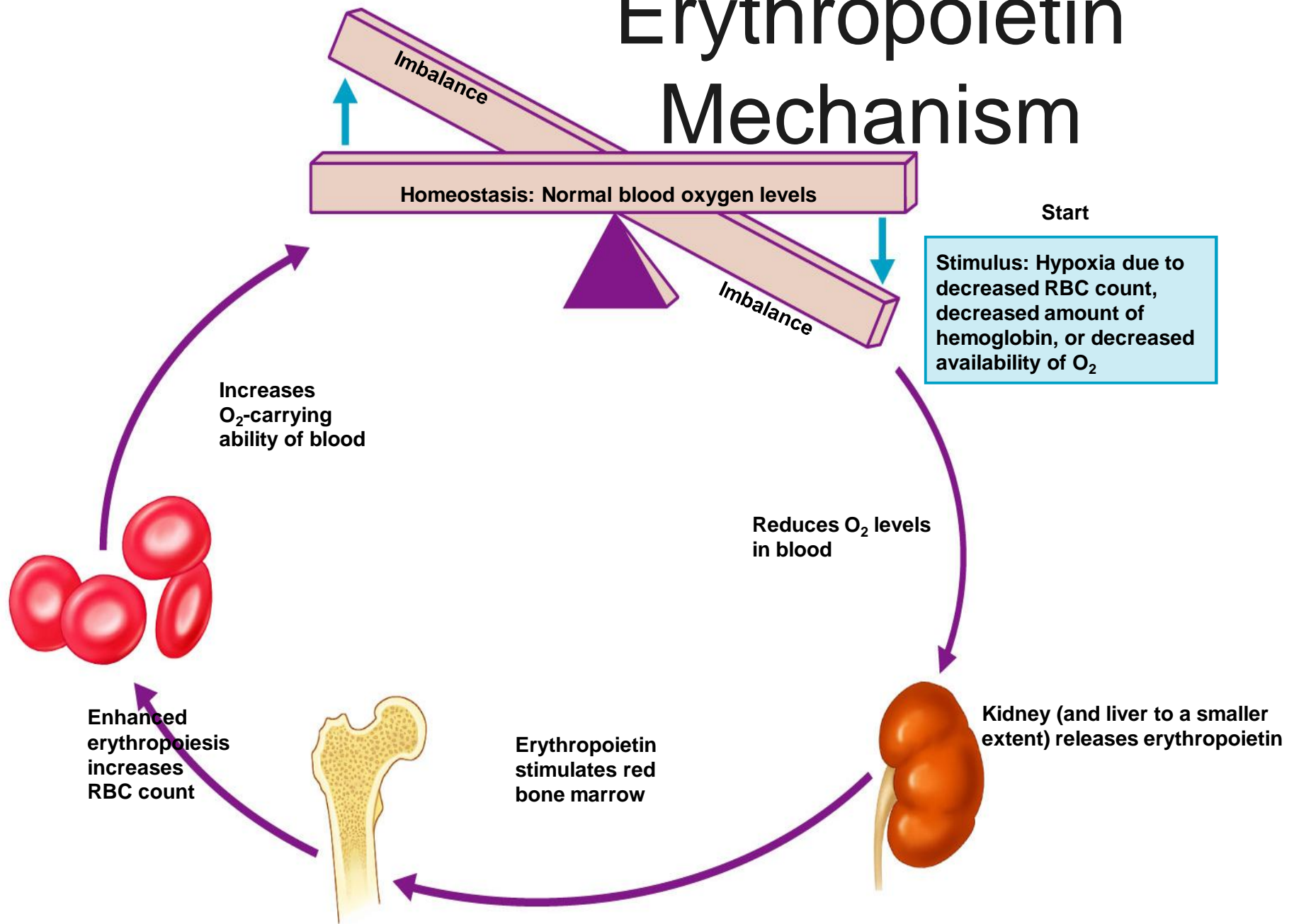


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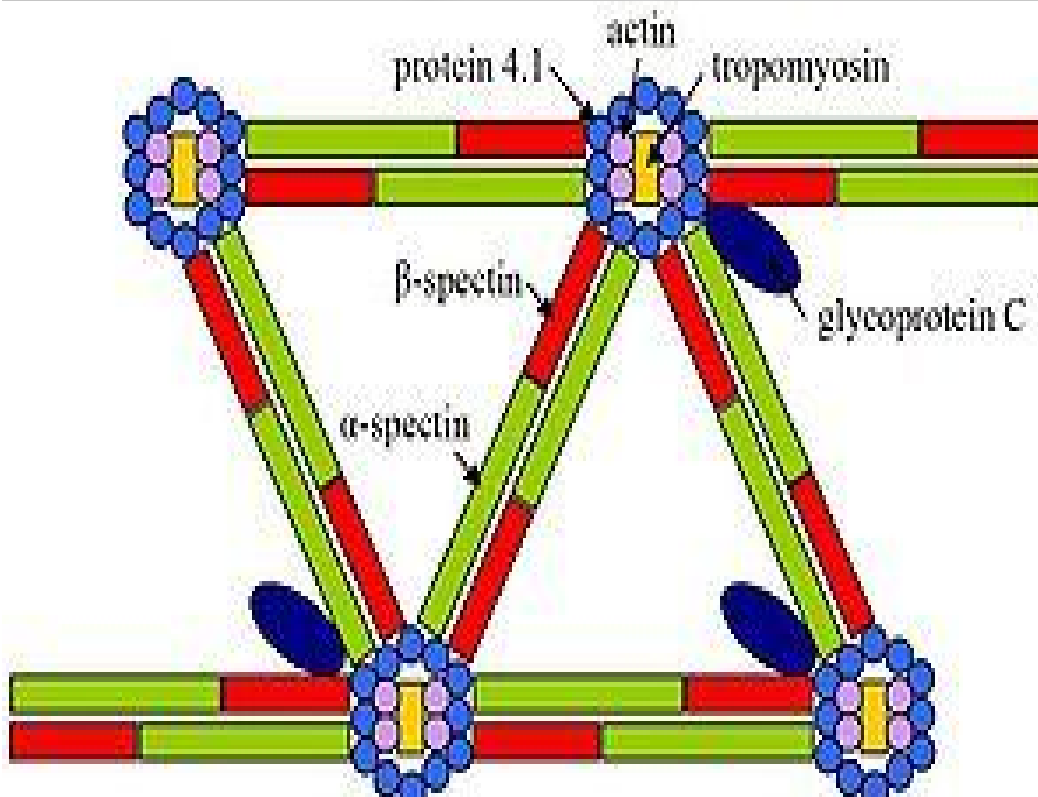
Erythrocytes (RBCs)

- Erythrocytes are an example of the complementarity of structure and function
- **Structural characteristics contribute to its gas transport function**
 - Biconcave shape has a huge surface area relative to volume
 - Erythrocytes are more than 97% hemoglobin
 - ATP is generated anaerobically, so the erythrocytes do not consume the oxygen they transport

Erythrocytes (RBCs)

- Biconcave discs, anucleate, essentially no organelles
- Filled with hemoglobin (Hb), a protein that functions in gas transport
- Contain the plasma membrane protein spectrin and other proteins that:
 - Give erythrocytes their flexibility
 - Allow them to change shape as necessary

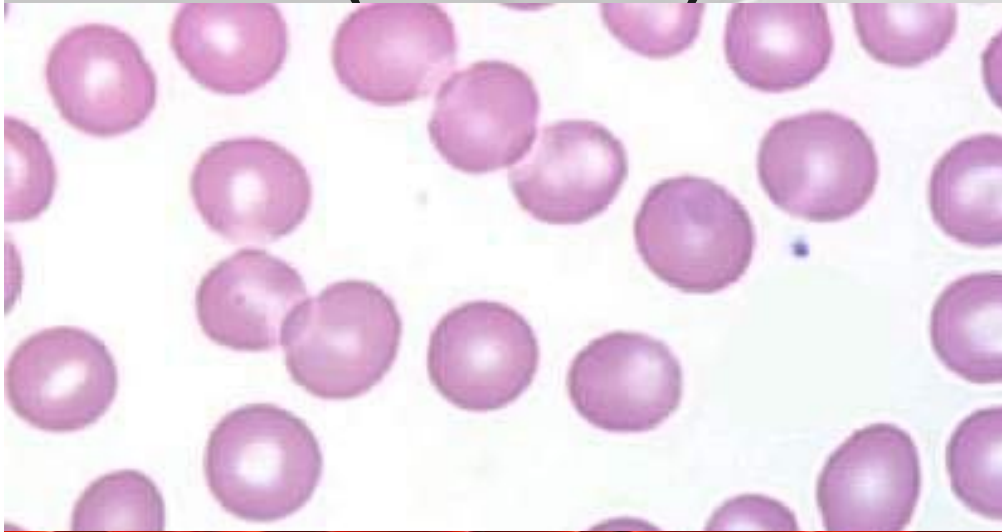
A schematic diagram of spectrin and other cytoskeletal molecules



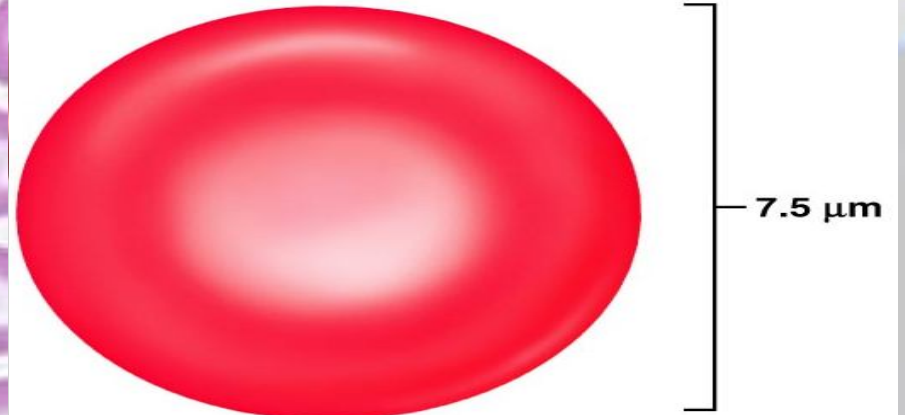
The erythrocyte model demonstrates the importance of the spectrin cytoskeleton in that mutations in spectrin commonly cause hereditary defects of the erythrocyte, including

- hereditary elliptocytosis
- Hereditary spherocytosis

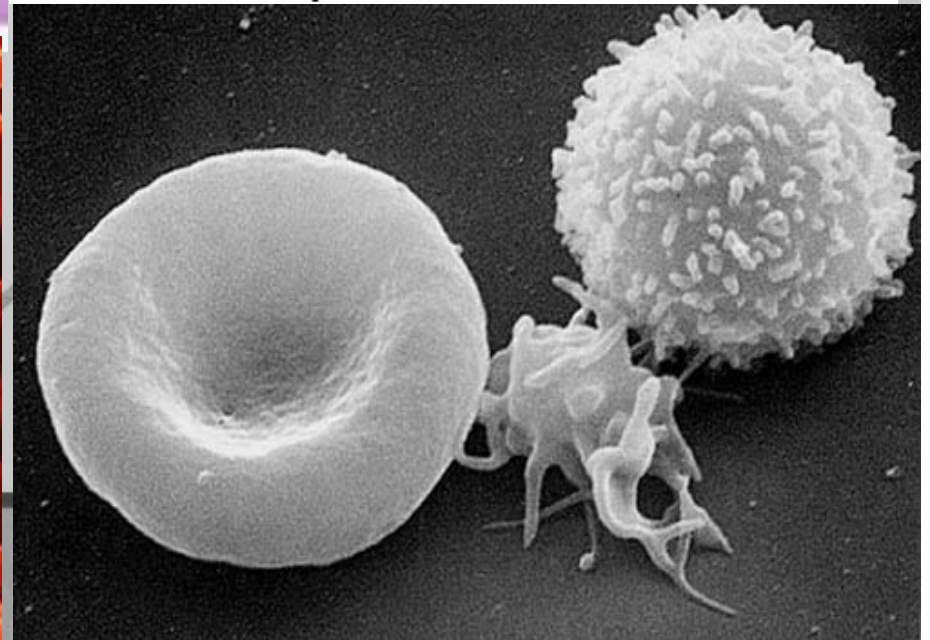
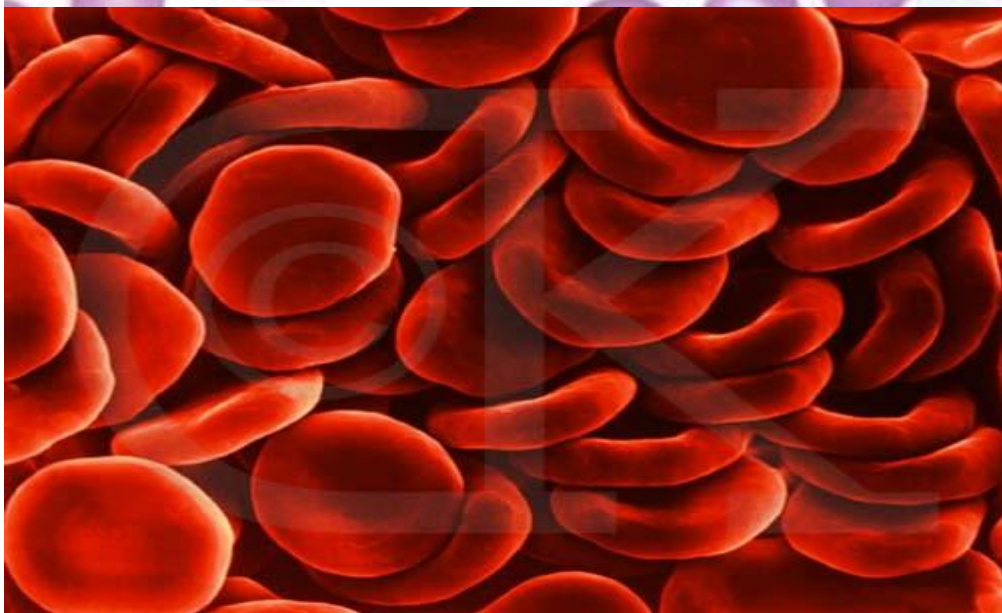
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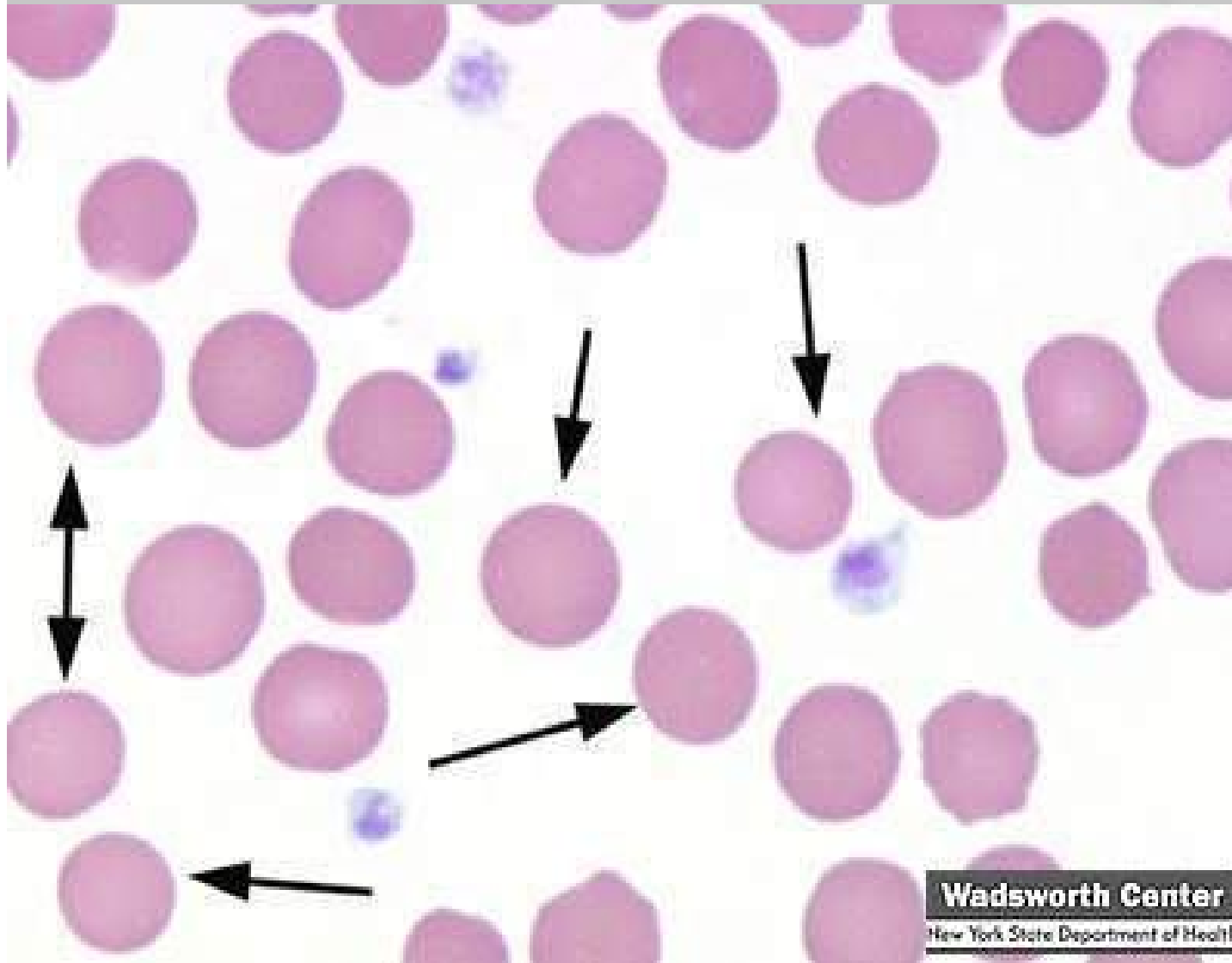
Side view



Top view



Hereditary Spherocytosis

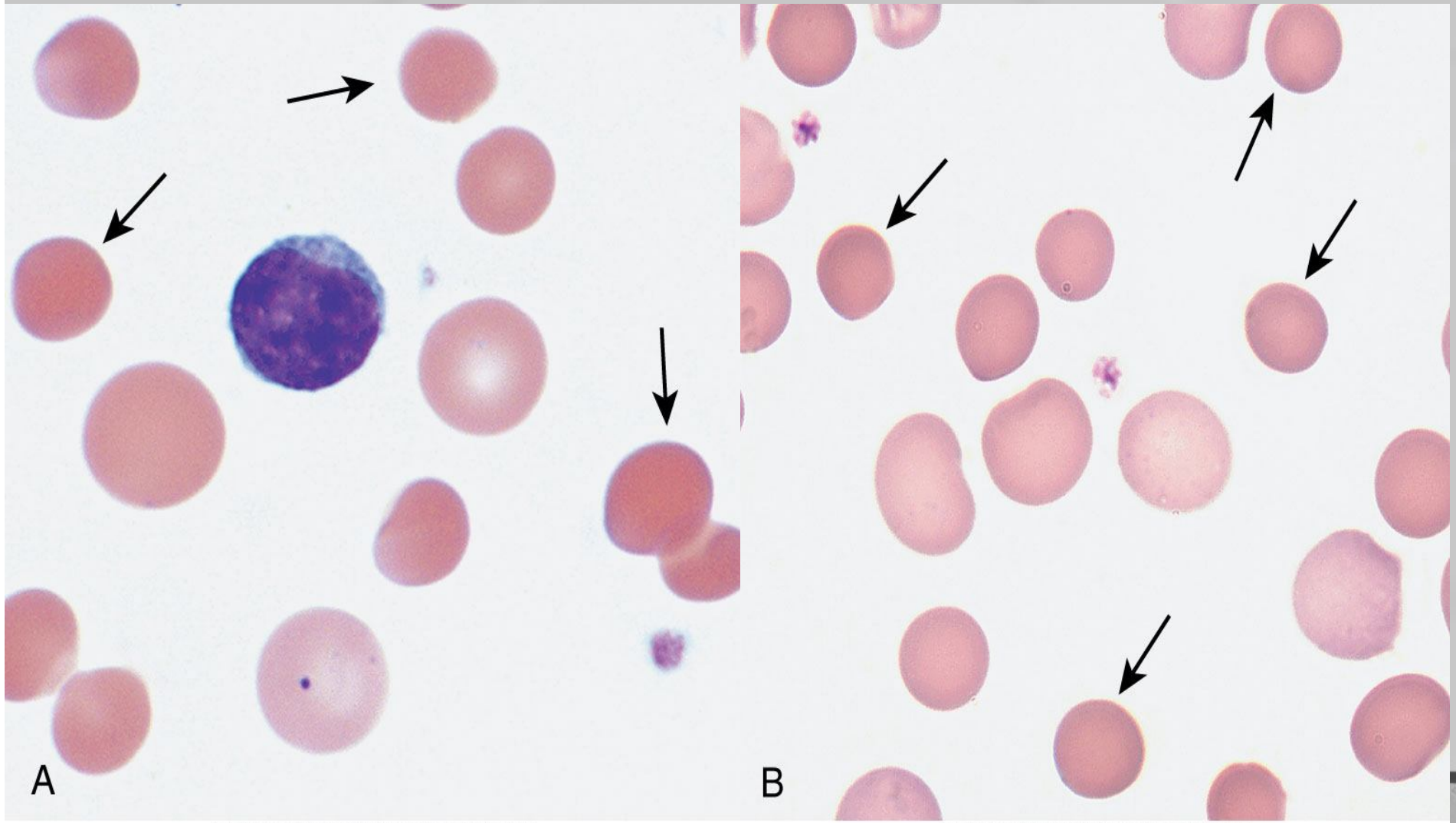


Hereditary spherocytosis (HS) is a familial hemolytic disorder with marked heterogeneity of clinical features, ranging from an asymptomatic condition to fulminant hemolytic anemia.

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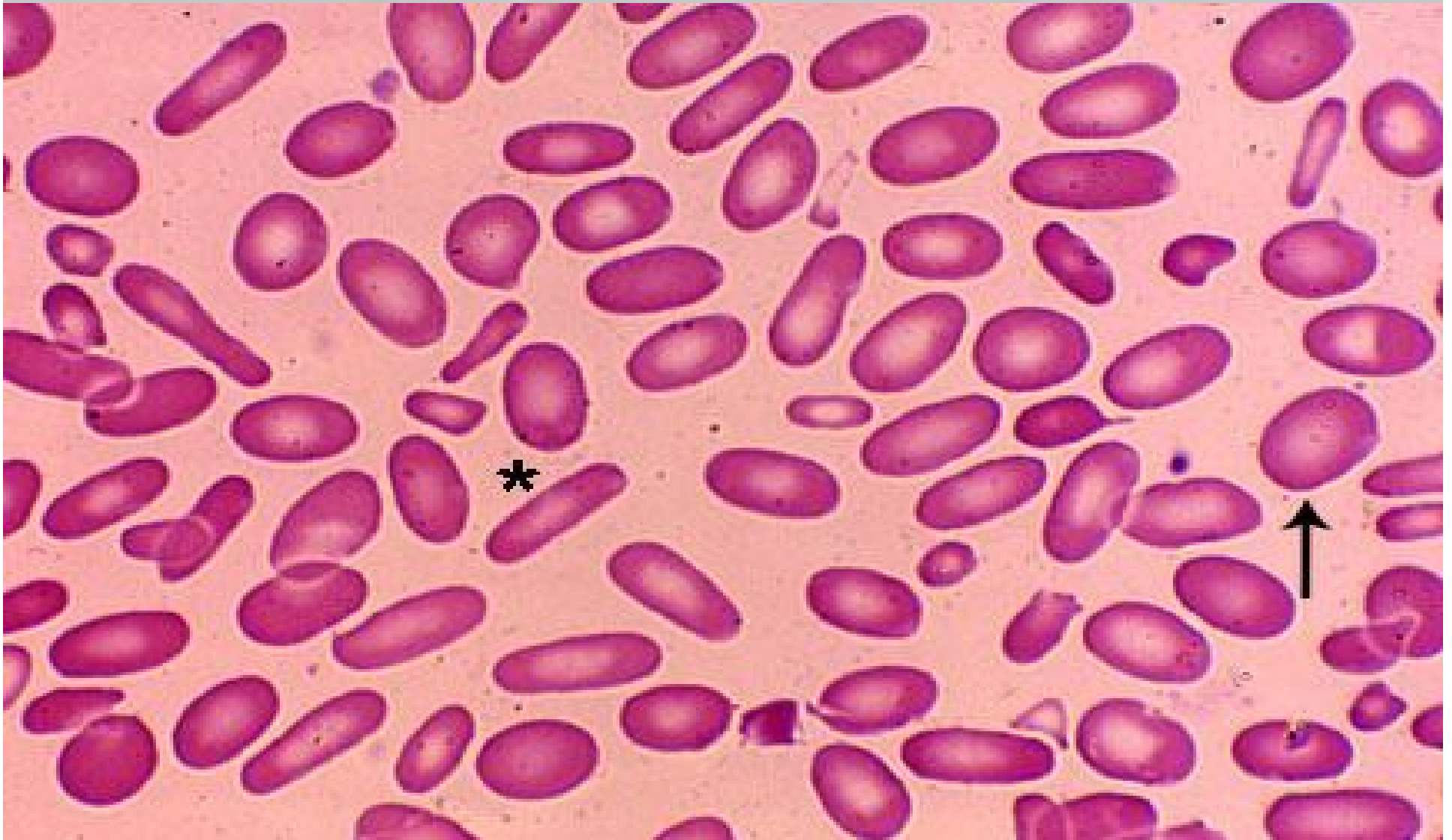
Spherocytes



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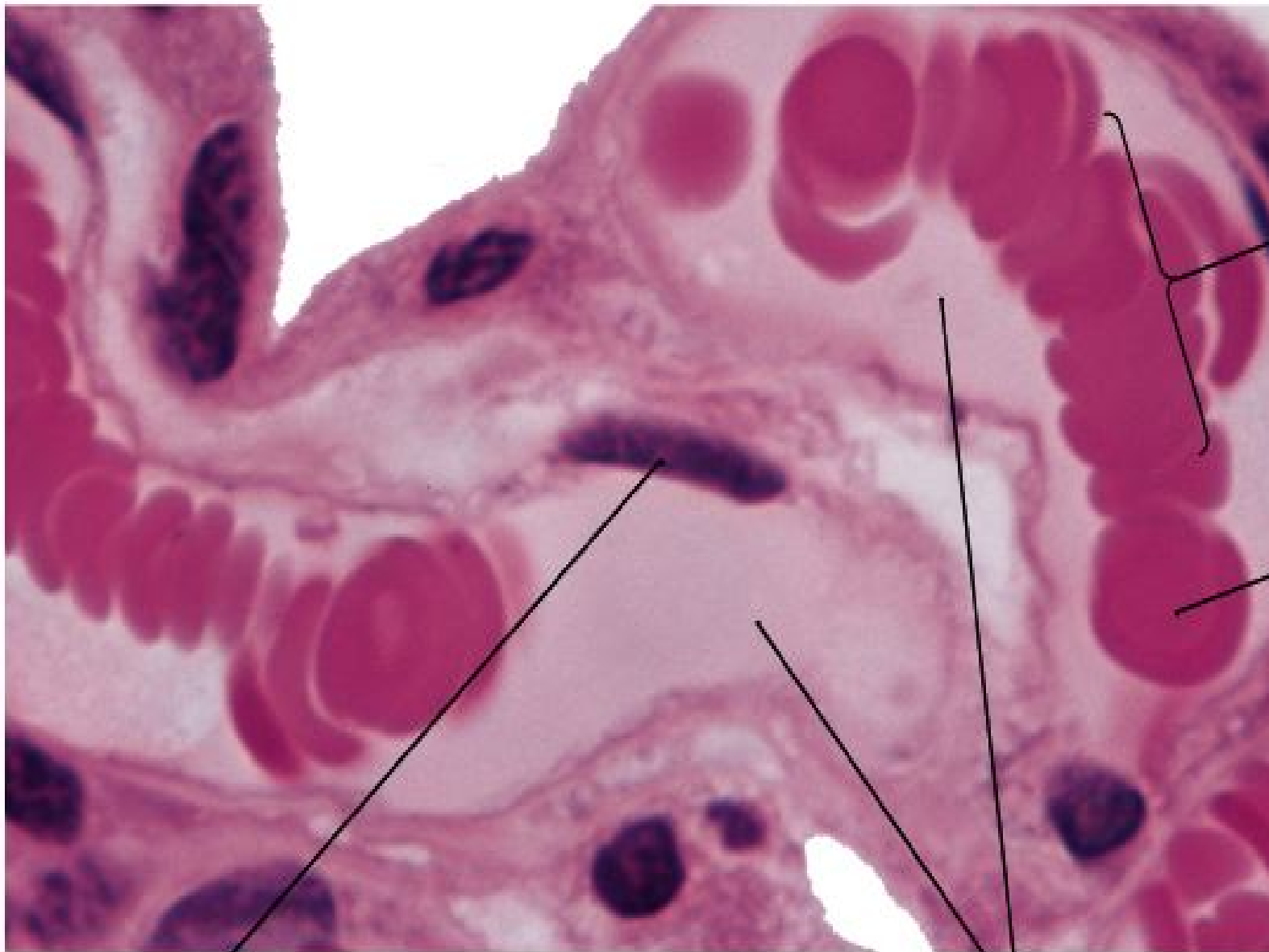
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hereditary elliptocytosis



Erythrocyte Function

- RBCs are dedicated to respiratory gas transport
- Hb reversibly binds with oxygen and most oxygen in the blood is bound to Hb
- Hb is composed of the protein globin, made up of two alpha and two beta chains, each bound to a heme group
- Each heme group bears an atom of iron, which can bind to one oxygen molecule
- Each Hb molecule can transport four molecules of oxygen



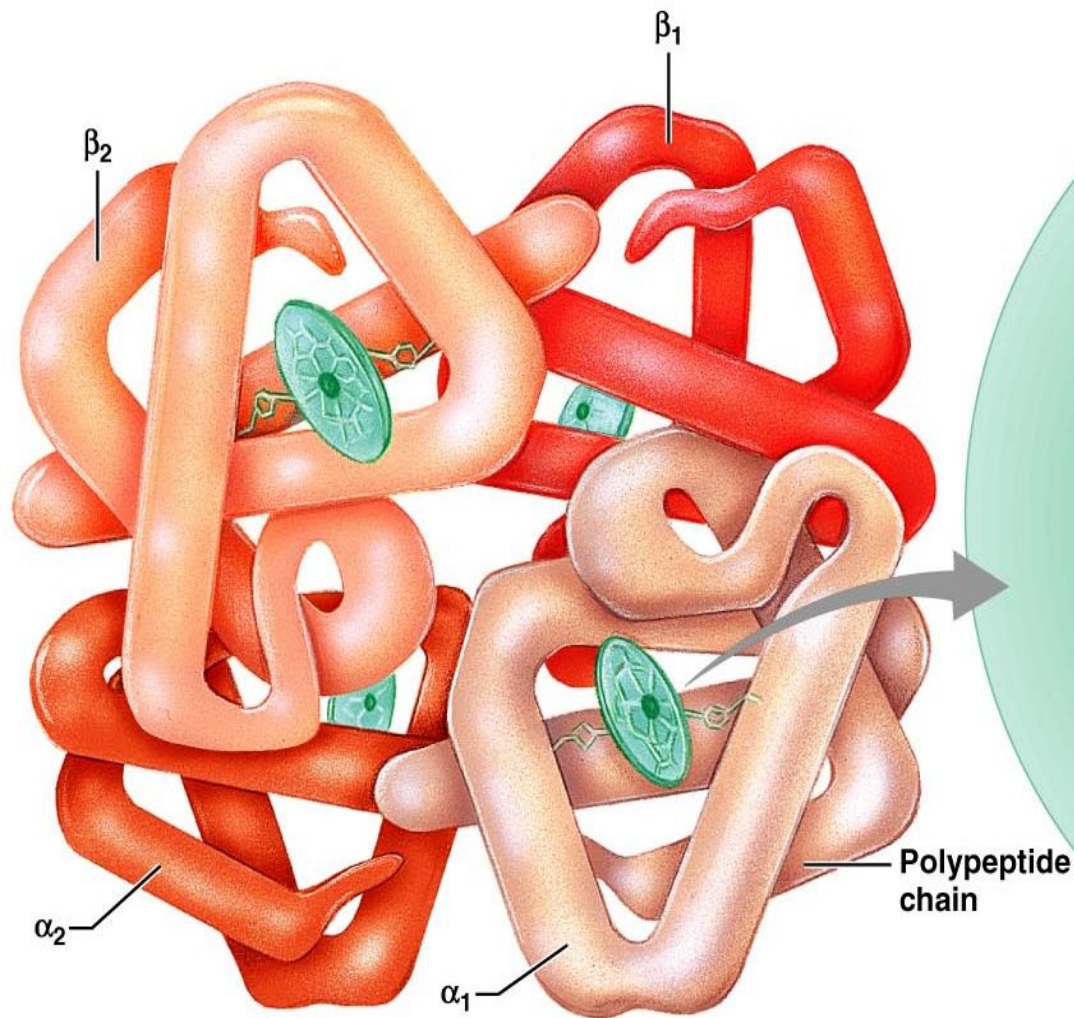
**Stacked
RBCs**

**Red
blood cell
(RBC)**

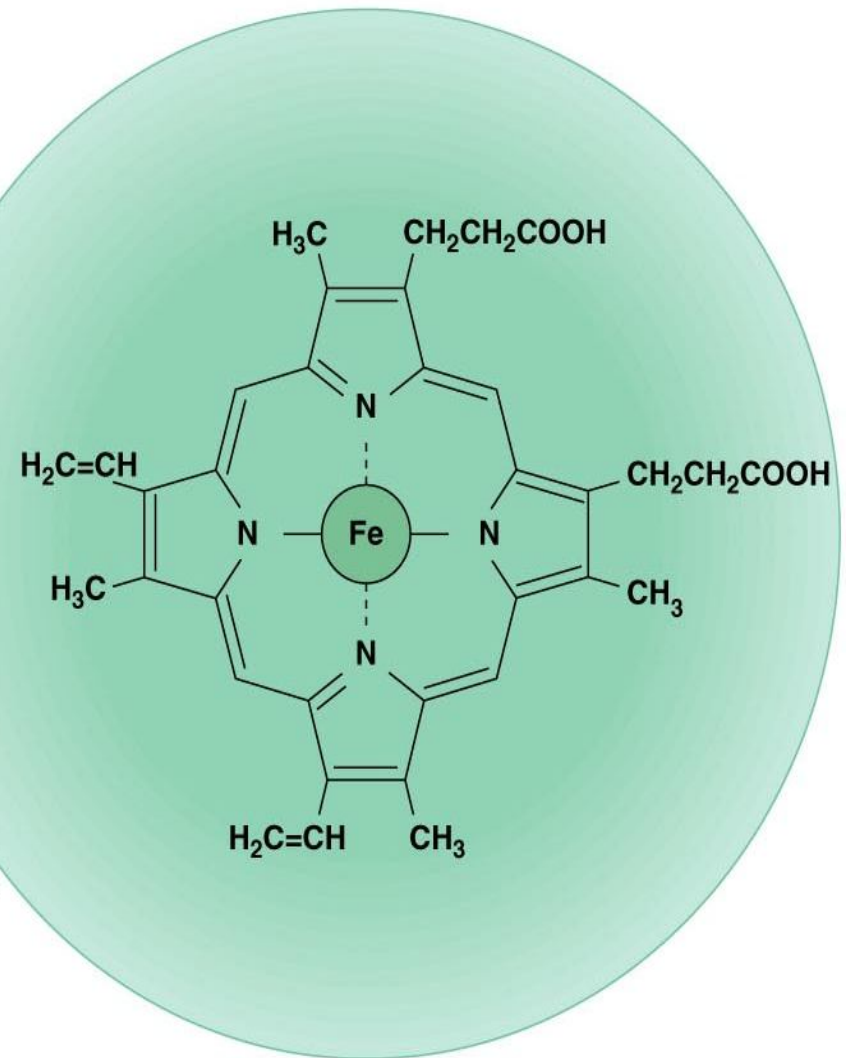
**Nucleus of
endothelial cell**

**Blood vessels (viewed in
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Structure of Hemoglobin

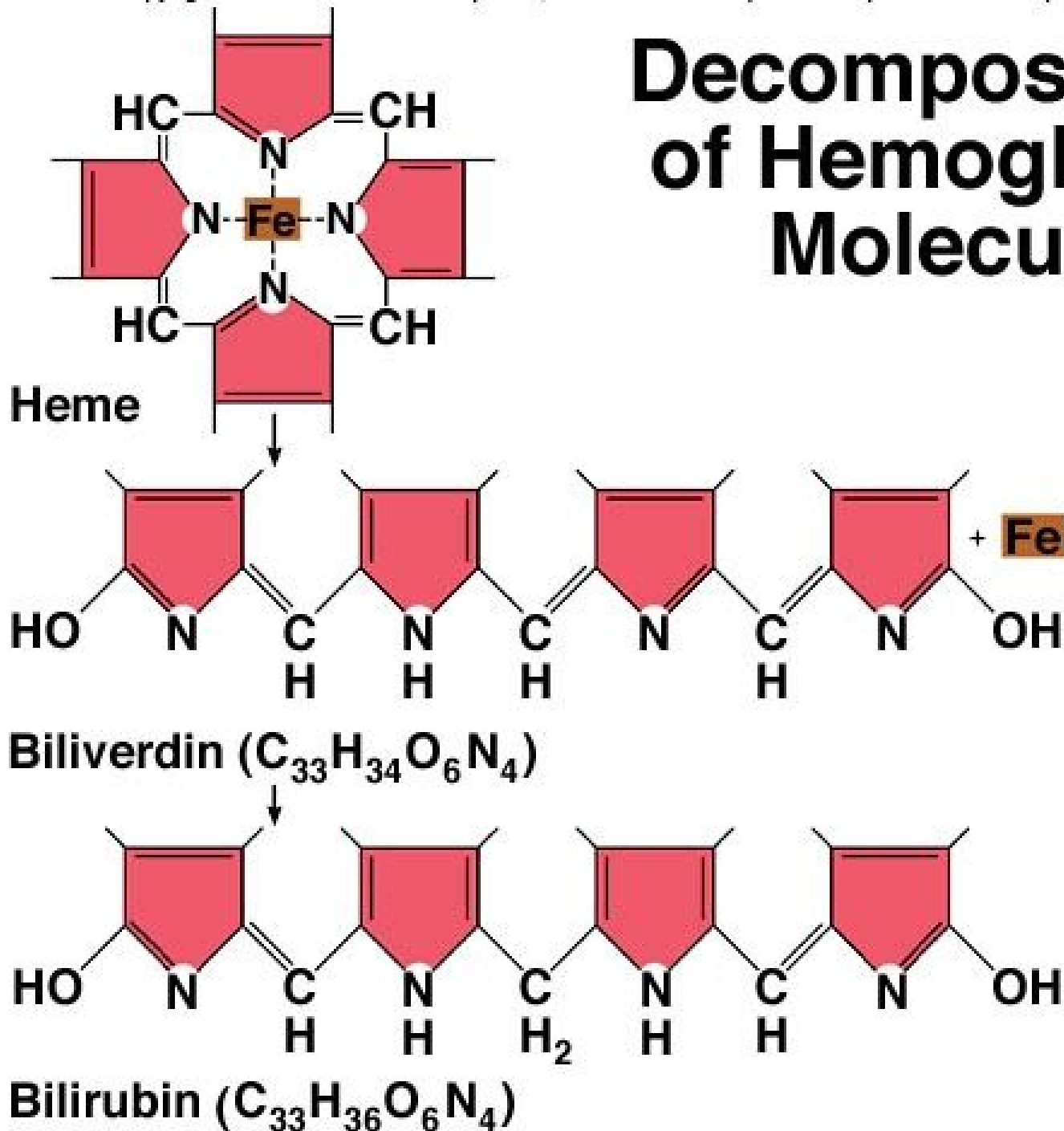


(a) Hemoglobin



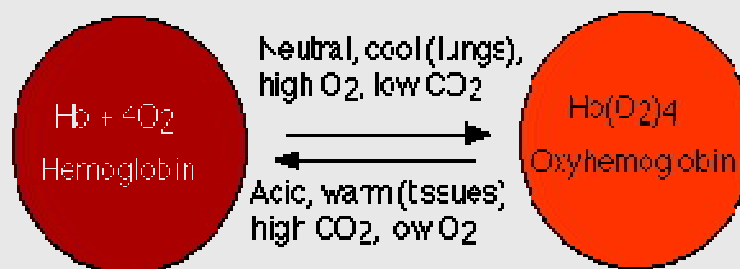
(b) Iron-containing heme group

Decomposition of Hemoglobin Molecule



Hemoglobin (Hb)

- **Oxyhemoglobin** – Hb bound to oxygen
 - Oxygen loading takes place in the lungs
- **Deoxyhemoglobin** – Hb after oxygen diffuses into tissues (reduced Hb)
- **Carbaminohemoglobin** – Hb bound to carbon dioxide
 - Carbon dioxide loading takes place in the tissues



- ❑ **Men: 13.5 to 16.5 g/dl**
- ❑ **Women: 12.1 to 15.1 g/dl**
- ❑ **Children: 11 to 16 g/dl**
- ❑ **Pregnant women: 11 to 12 g/dl**

Name of Hemoglobin	Subunit Structure	Time of Expression
Hemoglobin Portland	$\zeta_2\gamma_2$	Embryonic
Hemoglobin Gower I	$\zeta_2\varepsilon_2$	Embryonic
Hemoglobin Gower II	$\alpha_2\varepsilon_2$	Embryonic
Hemoglobin F	$\alpha_2\gamma_2$	Fetal
Hemoglobin Barts	γ_4	Fetal (pathologic Hb secondary to absence of all 4 α globulin genes; fatal in utero)
Hemoglobin A₂	$\alpha_2\delta_2$	Minor adult hemoglobin
Hemoglobin A	$\alpha_2\beta_2$	Major adult hemoglobin

Other oxygen-binding proteins

- **Myoglobin:** Found in the muscle tissue of many vertebrates, including humans, it gives muscle tissue a distinct red or dark gray color. It is very similar to hemoglobin in structure and sequence, but is not a tetramer; instead, it is a monomer that lacks cooperative binding. It is used to store oxygen rather than transport it.
- **Hemocyanin:** The second most common oxygen-transporting protein found in nature, it is found in the blood of many arthropods and molluscs. Uses copper prosthetic groups instead of iron heme groups and is blue in color when oxygenated.
- **Hemerythrin:** Some marine invertebrates and a few species of annelid use this iron-containing non-heme protein to carry oxygen in their blood. Appears pink/violet when oxygenated, clear when not.
- **Chlorocruorin:** Found in many annelids, it is very similar to erythrocrutorin, but the heme group is significantly different in structure. Appears green when deoxygenated and red when oxygenated.
- **Vanabins:** Also known as **vanadium chromagens**, they are found in the blood of sea squirts and are hypothesised to use the rare metal vanadium as its oxygen binding prosthetic group.
- **Erythrocrutorin:** Found in many annelids, including earthworms, it is a giant free-floating blood protein containing many dozens — possibly hundreds — of iron- and heme-bearing protein subunits bound together into a single protein complex with a molecular mass greater than 3.5 million daltons.
- **Pinnaglobin:** Only seen in the mollusc *Pinna squamosa*. Brown manganese-based porphyrin protein.
- **Leghemoglobin:** In leguminous plants, such as alfalfa or soybeans, the nitrogen fixing bacteria in the roots are protected from oxygen by this iron heme containing oxygen-binding protein. The specific enzyme protected is nitrogenase, which is unable to reduce nitrogen gas in the presence of free oxygen.
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ERYTHROPOIETIN

- **A hormone produced by the Kidney.**
- **A circulating Glycoprotein**
- **Nowadays available as Synthetic Epoietin**
- **Acts mainly on CFU – E.**
- **Increases the number of:**
 - **Nucleated precursors in the marrow.**
 - **Reticulocytes & Mature Erythrocytes in the blood.**

VITAMINS

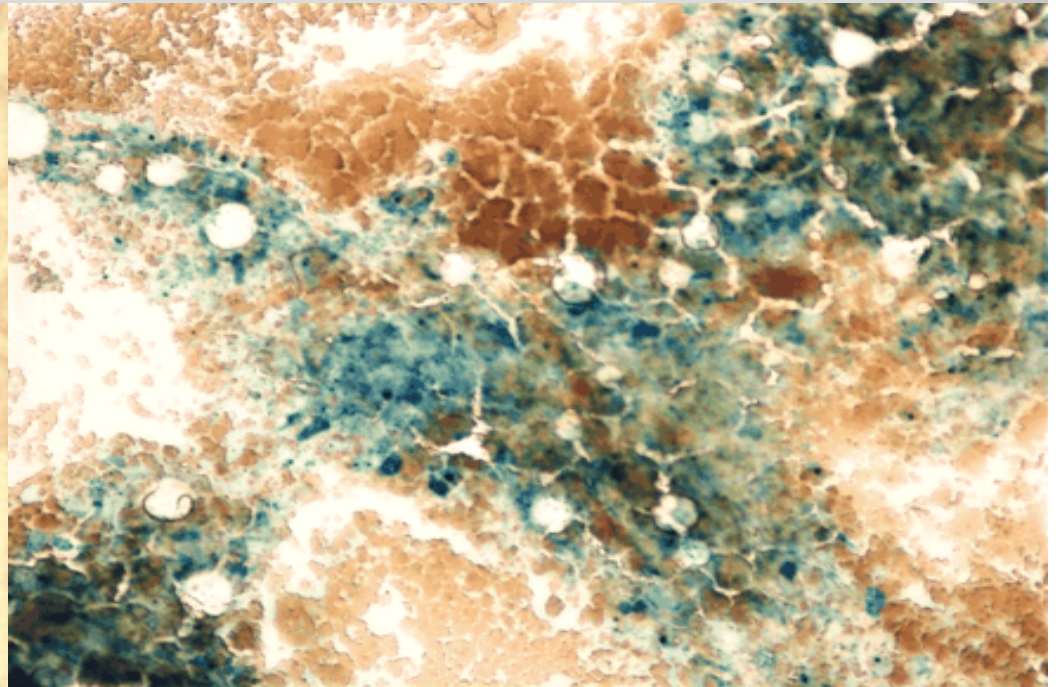
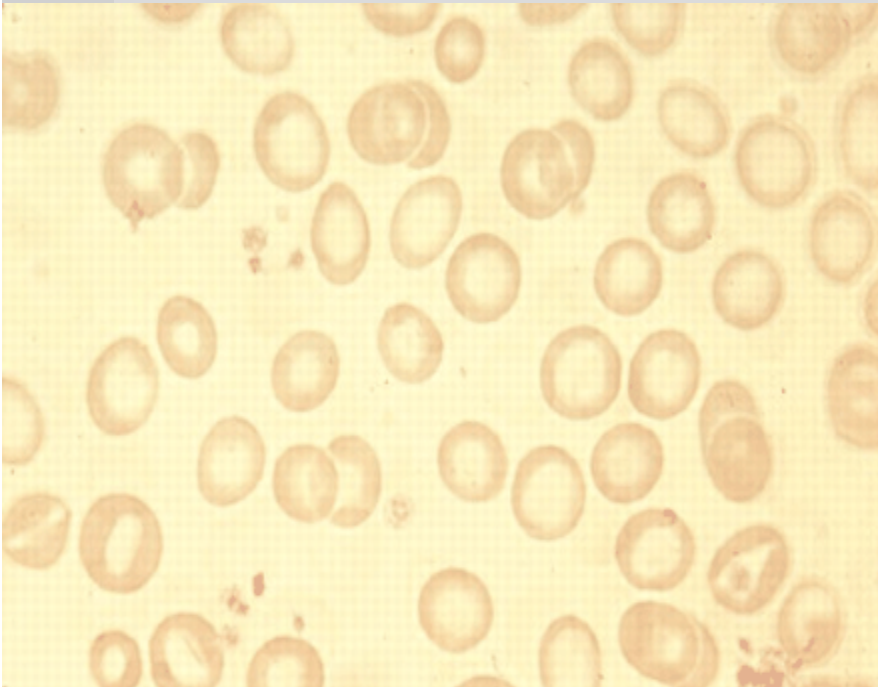
- **B₁₂: Cyanocobalamine & Folic Acid:[dna formation]**
 - Is also called **Extrinsic Factor of Castle**.
 - Needs the **Intrinsic Factor** from the Gastric juice for absorption from Small Intestine.
 - Deficiency causes **Pernicious** (When IF is missing) or Megaloblastic Anemia.
 - Stimulates Erythropoiesis
 - Is found in meat & diary products.

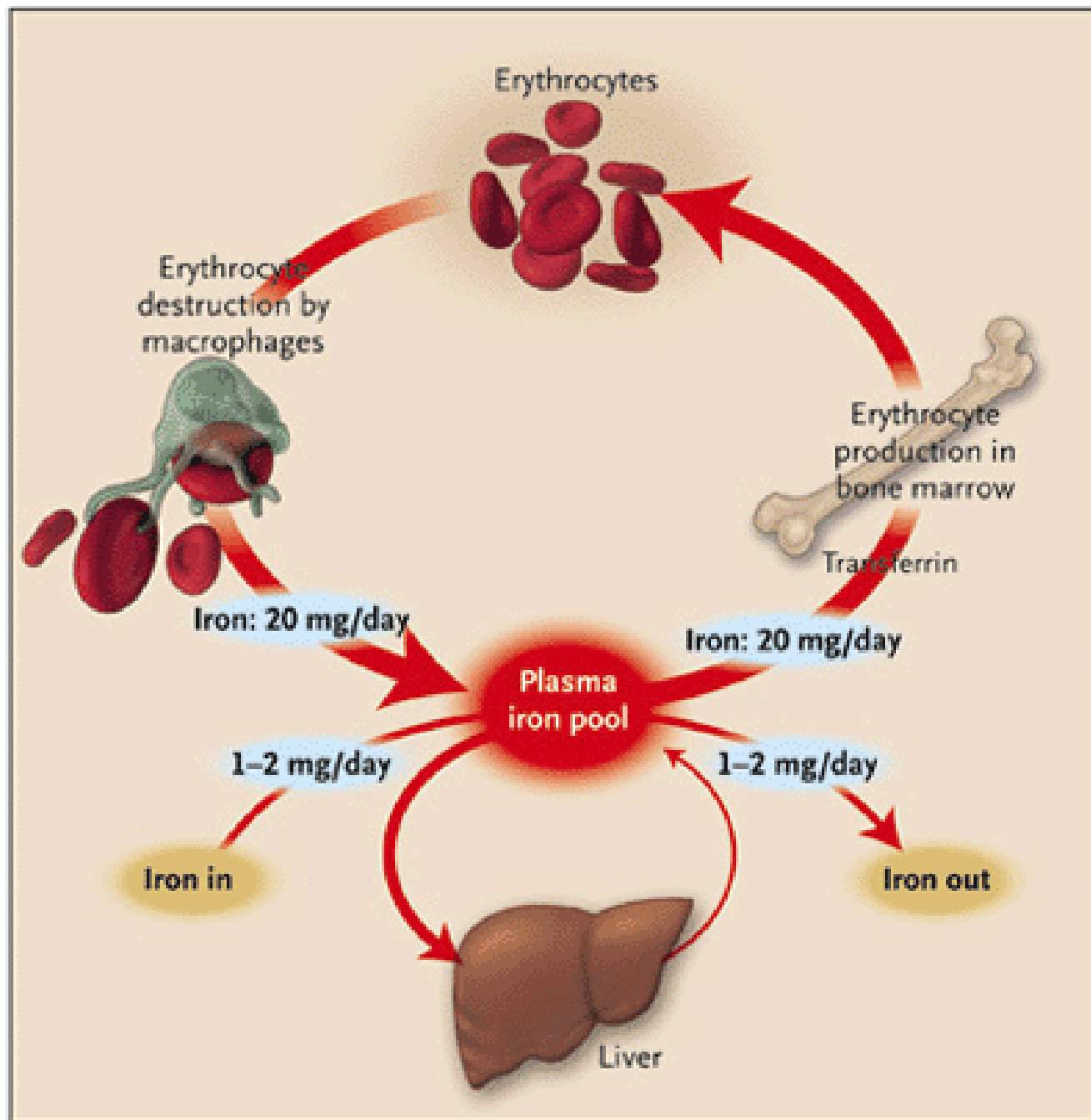
Iron functions

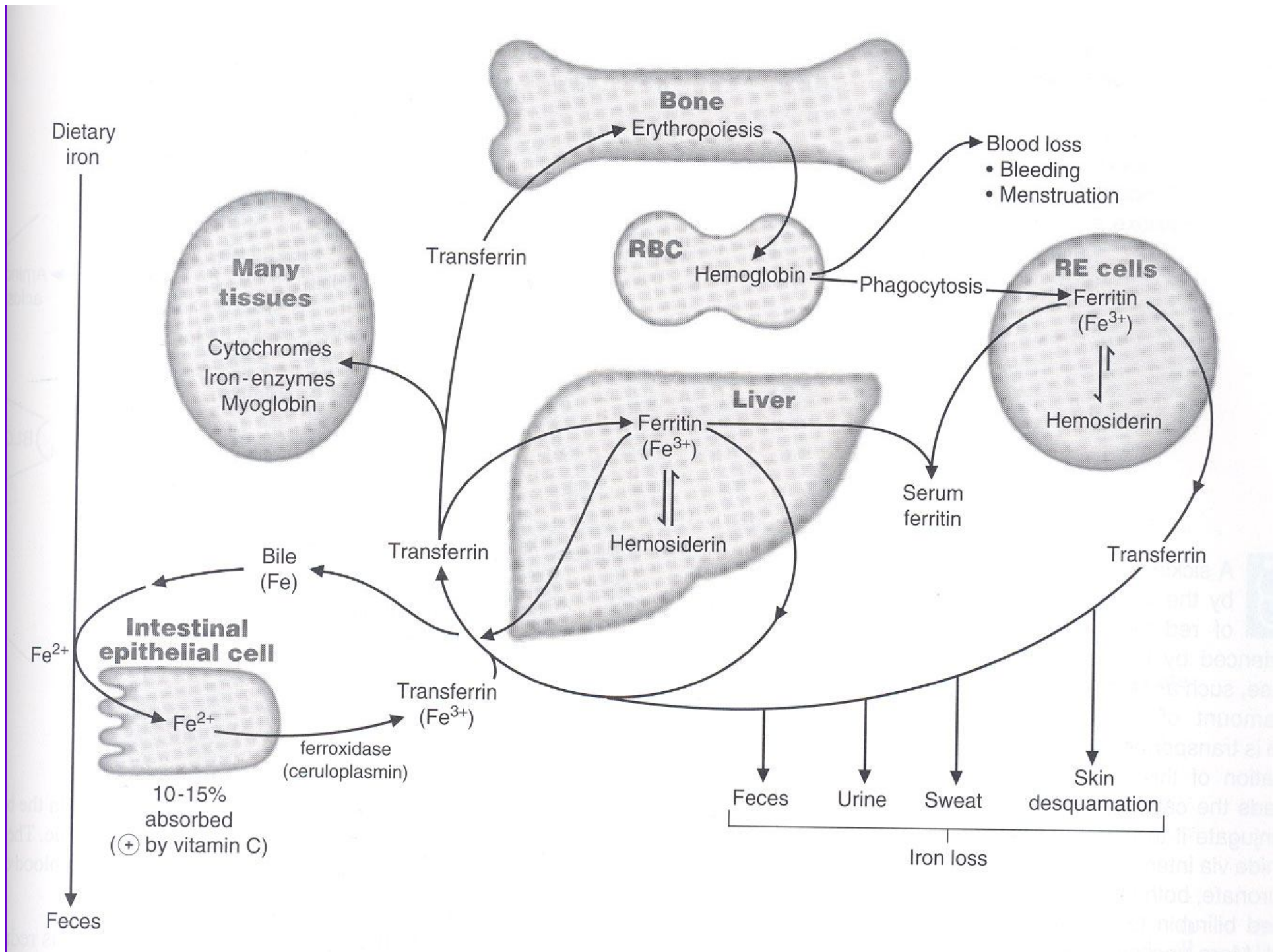
- **Oxygen carriers**
 - hemoglobin
- **Oxygen storage**
 - Myoglobin
- **Energy Production**
 - Cytochromes (oxidative phosphorylation)
 - Krebs cycle enzymes
- **Other**
 - Liver detoxification (cytochrome p450)

IRON

- Essential for the synthesis of **Hemoglobin**.
- Deficiency causes **Microcytic, Hypochromic Anemia**.
- The **MCV, Color Index & MCH** are low.







Iron Distribution

- 35 – 45 mg / kg iron in adult male body
- Total approx 4 g
 - Red cell mass as hemoglobin - 50%
 - Muscles as myoglobin – 7%
 - Storage as ferritin - 30%
 - Bone marrow (7%)
 - Reticulo-endothelial cells (7%)
 - Liver (25%)
 - Other Heme proteins - 5%
 - Cytochromes, myoglobin, others
 - In Serum - 0.1%

Iron Transport in Blood

- Red cells
 - As hemoglobin
 - Cannot be exchanged
- Plasma
 - Bound to Transferrin
 - Carries iron between body locations
 - eg between gut, liver, bone marrow, macrophages
 - Iron taken up into cells by transferrin receptors

Transferrin

A microscopic view of two red blood cells, which are biconcave discs, showing their characteristic shape and reddish color.

- Synthesised in the liver.
- Each molecule binds can bind two Fe^{3+} molecules (oxidised)
- Contains 95% of serum Fe.
- Usually about 30% saturated with Fe.
- Production decreased in iron overload.
- Production increased in iron deficiency.
- Measured in blood as a marker of iron status.

Transferrin Testing

- A routine blood test used for iron status
- Also known as TIBC (total iron binding capacity)
- *High levels:*
 - Low body iron stores.
- *Low levels:*
 - High body iron stores.
- *Other conditions*
 - Increase: high oestrogen states (pregnancy, OCP)
 - Decrease: malnutrition, chronic liver disease, chronic disease (eg malignancy), protein-losing states, congenital deficiency, neonates, acute phase (negative reactant).

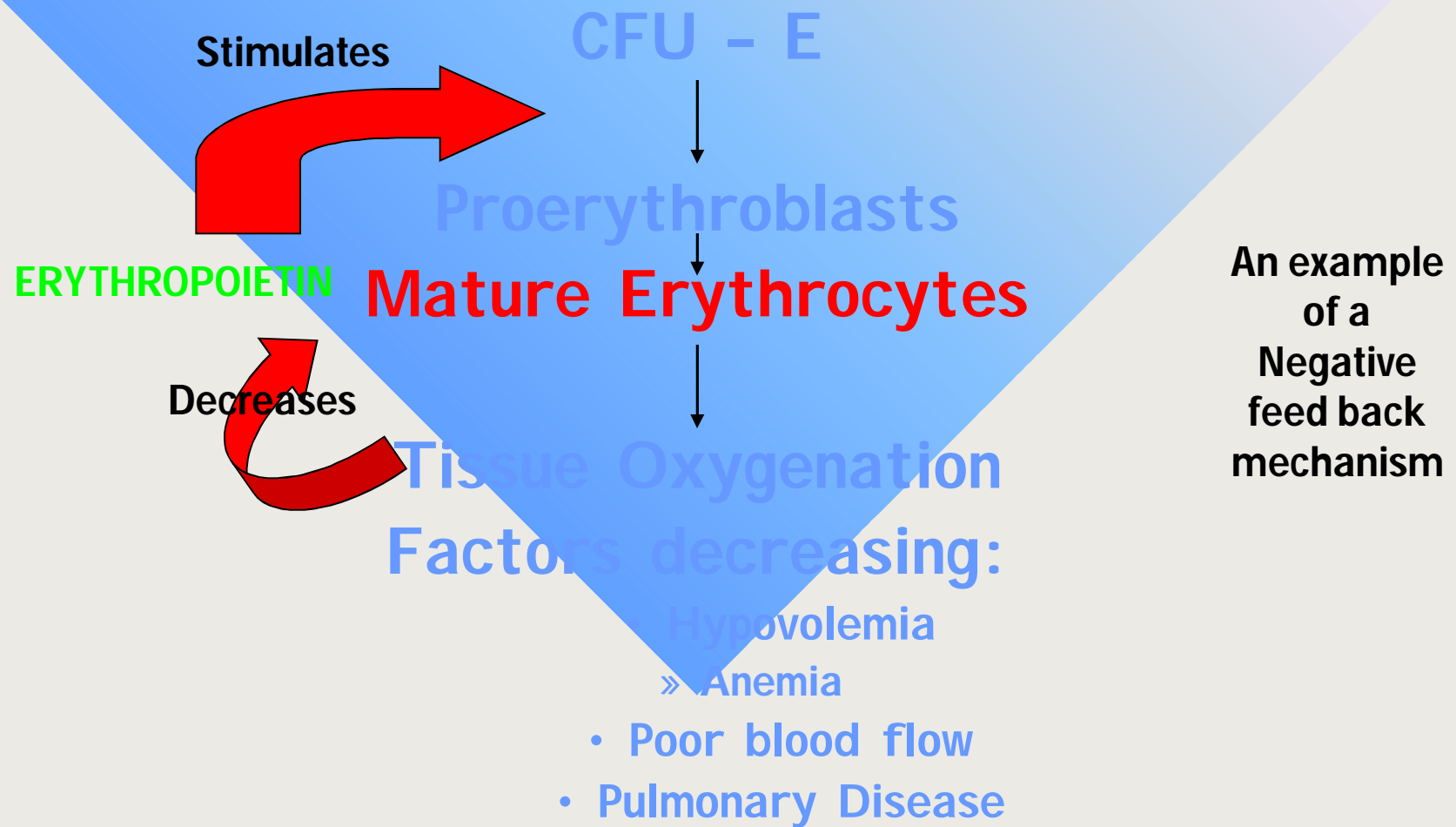
Iron Toxicity

- Iron can damage tissues
- Catalyzes the conversion of hydrogen peroxide to free-radical ions
- Free-radicals can attack:
 - cellular membranes
 - Proteins
 - DNA
- Iron excess possibly related to cancers, cardiac toxicity and other factors

Dietary Requirements of Erythropoiesis

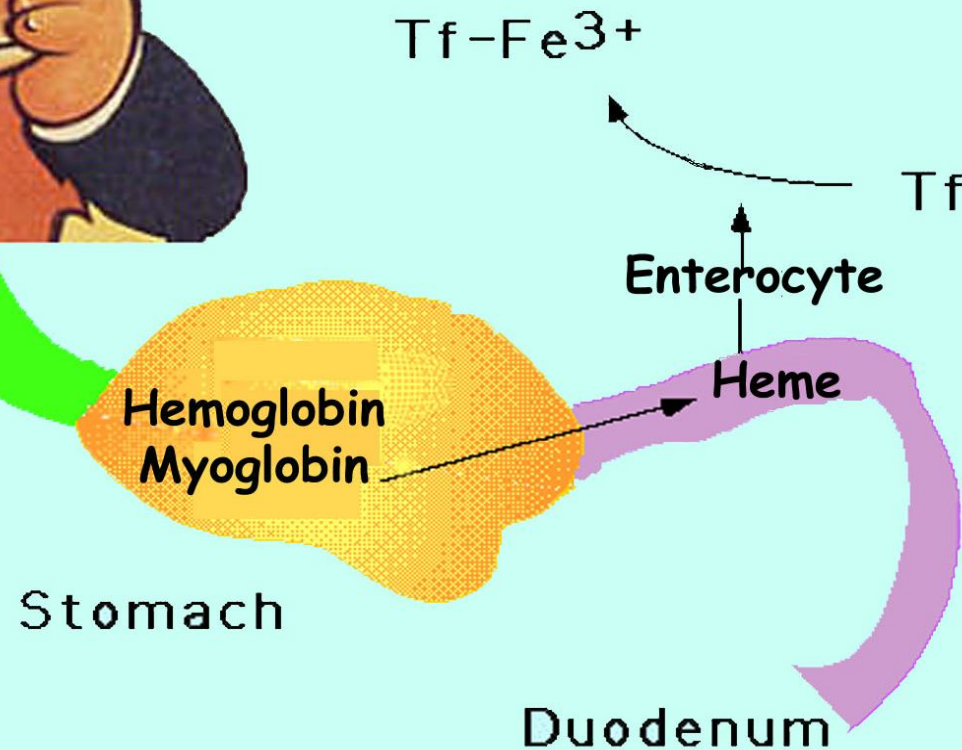
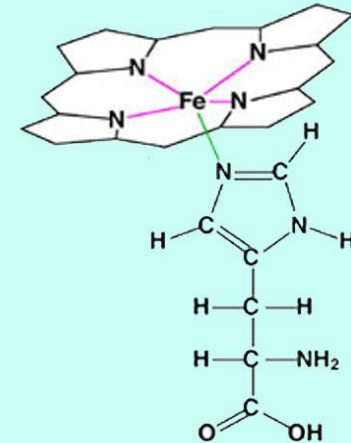
- Erythropoiesis requires:
 - Proteins, lipids, and carbohydrates
 - Iron, vitamin B₁₂, and folic acid
- The body stores iron in Hb (65%), the liver, spleen, and bone marrow
- Intracellular iron is stored in protein-iron complexes such as ferritin and hemosiderin
- Circulating iron is loosely bound to the transport protein transferrin

Regulation of Erythropoiesis



Iron Absorption

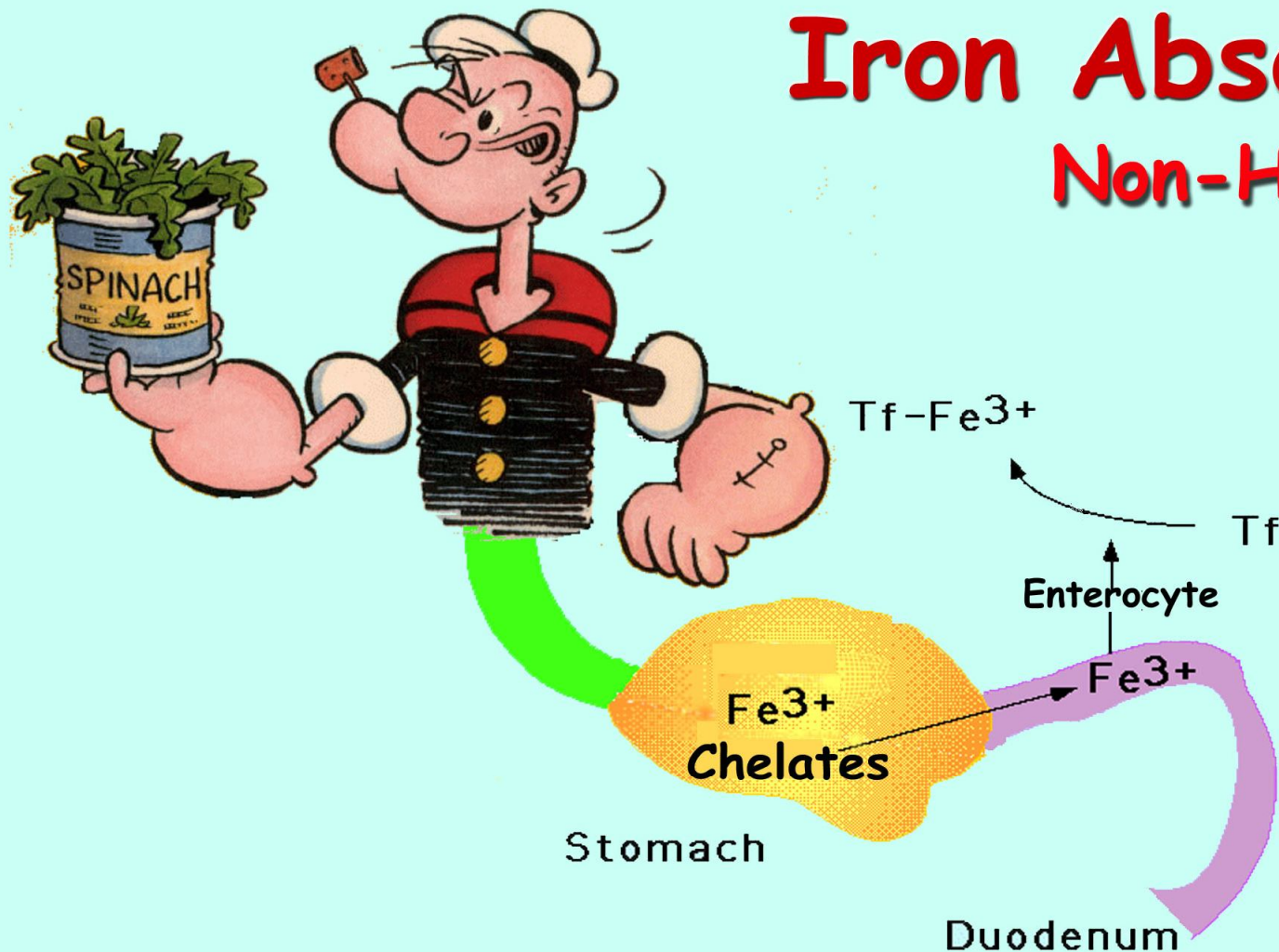
Heme



Iron absorbed as Heme-Iron

Iron Absorption

Non-Heme



Factors That Influence Iron Absorption

Physical State (bioavailability): heme > Fe²⁺ > Fe³⁺

Inhibitors: phytates, tannins, soil clay, antacids, iron overload

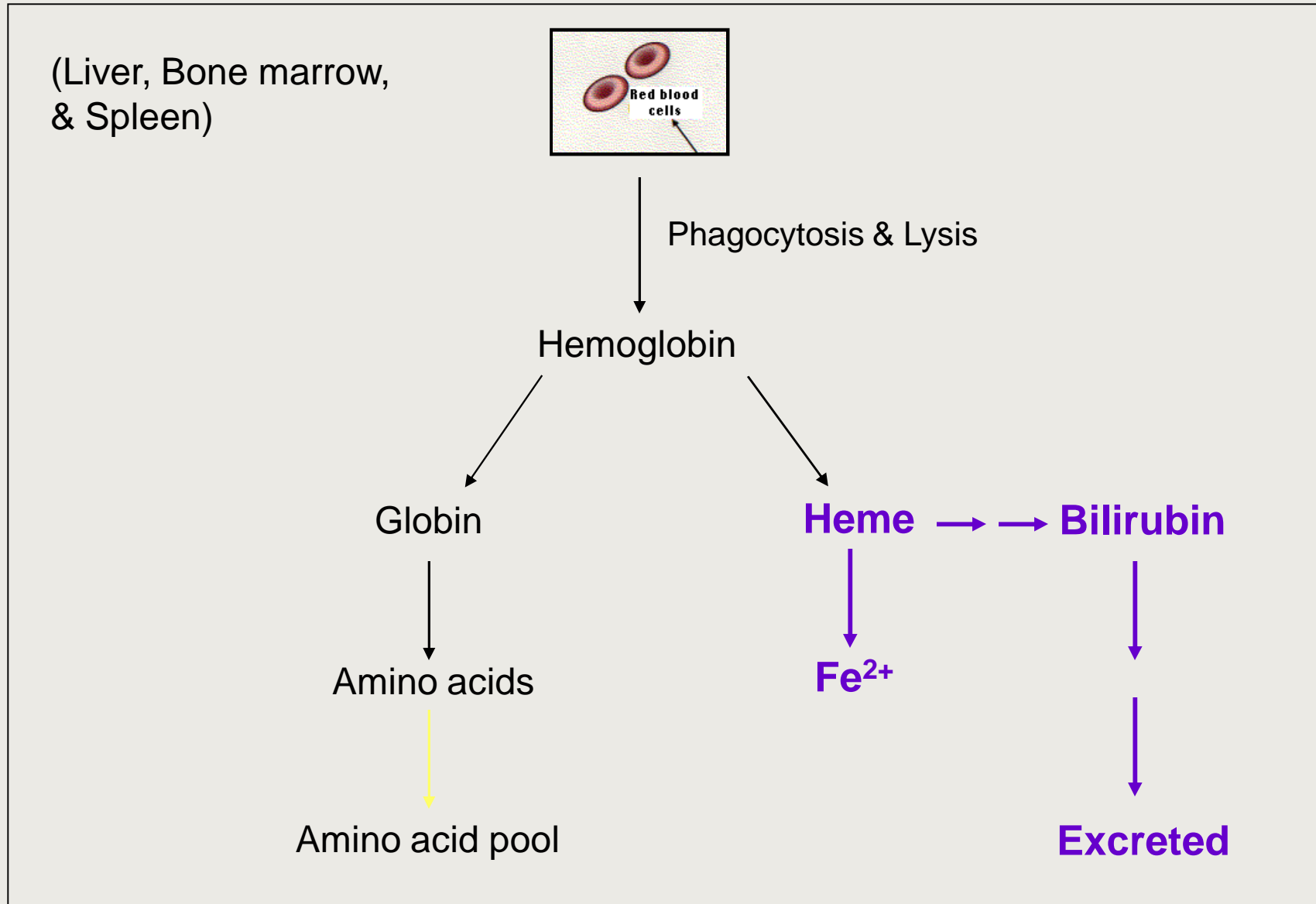
Competitors: cobalt, lead, strontium, manganese, zinc

Facilitators: ascorbate, citrate, amino acids, iron deficiency

Fate and Destruction of Erythrocytes

- **The life span** of an erythrocyte is **100–120 days**
- Old RBCs become rigid and fragile, and their Hb begins to degenerate
- Dying RBCs are engulfed by macrophages
- Heme and globin are separated and the iron is salvaged for reuse

Extravascular Pathway for RBC Destruction



Handling of Free (Intravascular) Hemoglobin

Purposes:

1. Scavenge iron
2. Prevent major iron losses
3. Complex free heme (very toxic)

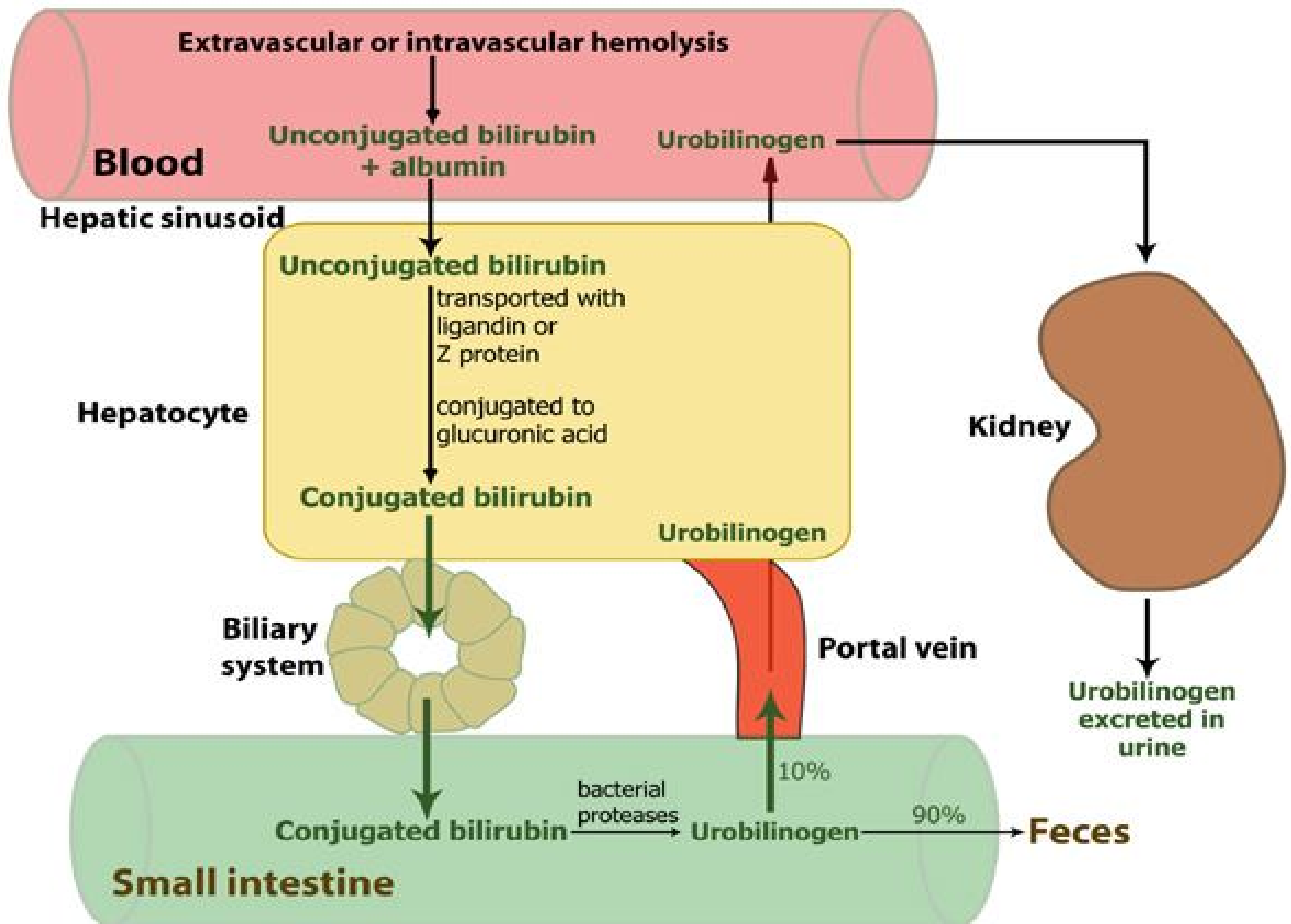
- **Haptoglobin:** hemoglobin-haptoglobin complex is readily metabolized in the liver and spleen forming an iron-globin complex and bilirubin. Prevents loss of iron in urine.
- **Hemopexin:** binds free heme. The heme-hemopexin complex is taken up by the liver and the iron is stored bound to ferritin.
- **Methemalbumin:** complex of oxidized heme and albumin.

Fate and Destruction of Erythrocytes

- Heme is degraded to a yellow pigment called **bilirubin**
- The **liver secretes bilirubin into the intestines as bile**
- The intestines metabolize it into urobilinogen
- This degraded pigment leaves the body in feces, in a pigment called stercobilin
- 75% is derived from RBCs
- In normal adults this results in a daily load of 250-300 mg of bilirubin
- Normal plasma concentrations are less than 1 mg/dL
- Hydrophobic – transported by albumin to the liver for further metabolism prior to its excretion

Fate and Destruction of Erythrocytes

- Globin is metabolized into amino acids and is released into the circulation
- Hb released into the blood is captured by haptoglobin and phagocytized



Bilirubin metabolism

The diagram illustrates the metabolic pathway of bilirubin. It begins with a red blood cell releasing hemoglobin into the blood. Hemoglobin is broken down into globin and heme, which is then converted to unconjugated bilirubin. This unconjugated bilirubin is complexed with albumin in the blood. It is then taken up by the liver, where it is conjugated with glucuronic acid to form conjugated bilirubin. The conjugated bilirubin is then excreted into the gut. In the gut, it is converted to urobilin (stercobilin), which is then excreted in feces. A small amount of conjugated bilirubin is also excreted in urine, where it is converted to urobilinogen. The diagram uses solid blue arrows for the major pathway and dashed blue arrows for the minor pathway.

red blood cell

blood

liver

kidney

gut

unconjugated bilirubin complexed with albumin

bilirubin uptake

conjugation of bilirubin with glucuronic acid

conjugated bilirubin

urobilin (stercobilin)

feces

urine

major pathway

minor pathway

The causes of jaundice			
Type	Cause	Clinical example	Frequency
Prehepatic	hemolysis	autoimmune abnormal hemoglobin	uncommon depends on region
intrahepatic	infection	hepatitis A, B, C	common/very common
	chemical/drug	acetaminophen alcohol	common common
	genetic errors: bilirubin metabolism	Gilbert's syndrome Crigler–Najjar syndrome Dubin–Johnson syndrome Rotor's syndrome	1 in 20 very rare very rare very rare
	genetic errors: specific proteins	Wilson's disease α_1 antitrypsin	1 in 200 000 1 in 1000 with genotype
	autoimmune	chronic active hepatitis	uncommon/ rare
	neonatal	physiologic	very common
Posthepatic	intrahepatic bile ducts	drugs primary biliary cirrhosis cholangitis	common uncommon common
	extrahepatic bile ducts	gall stones pancreatic tumor cholangiocarcinoma	very common uncommon rare

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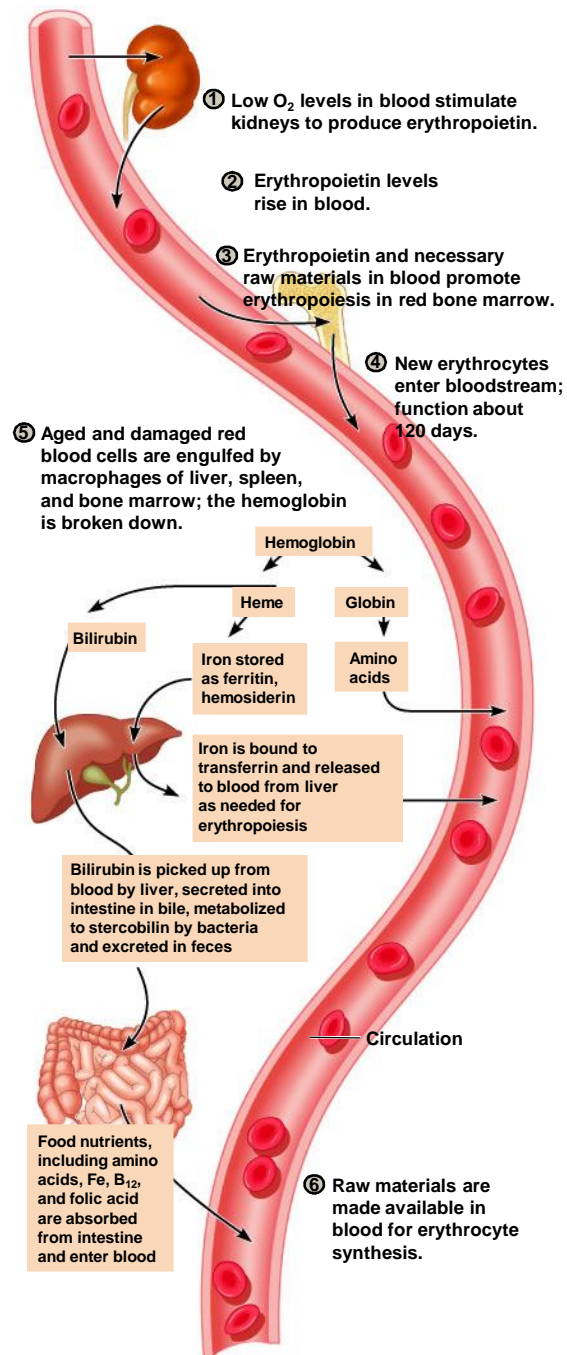


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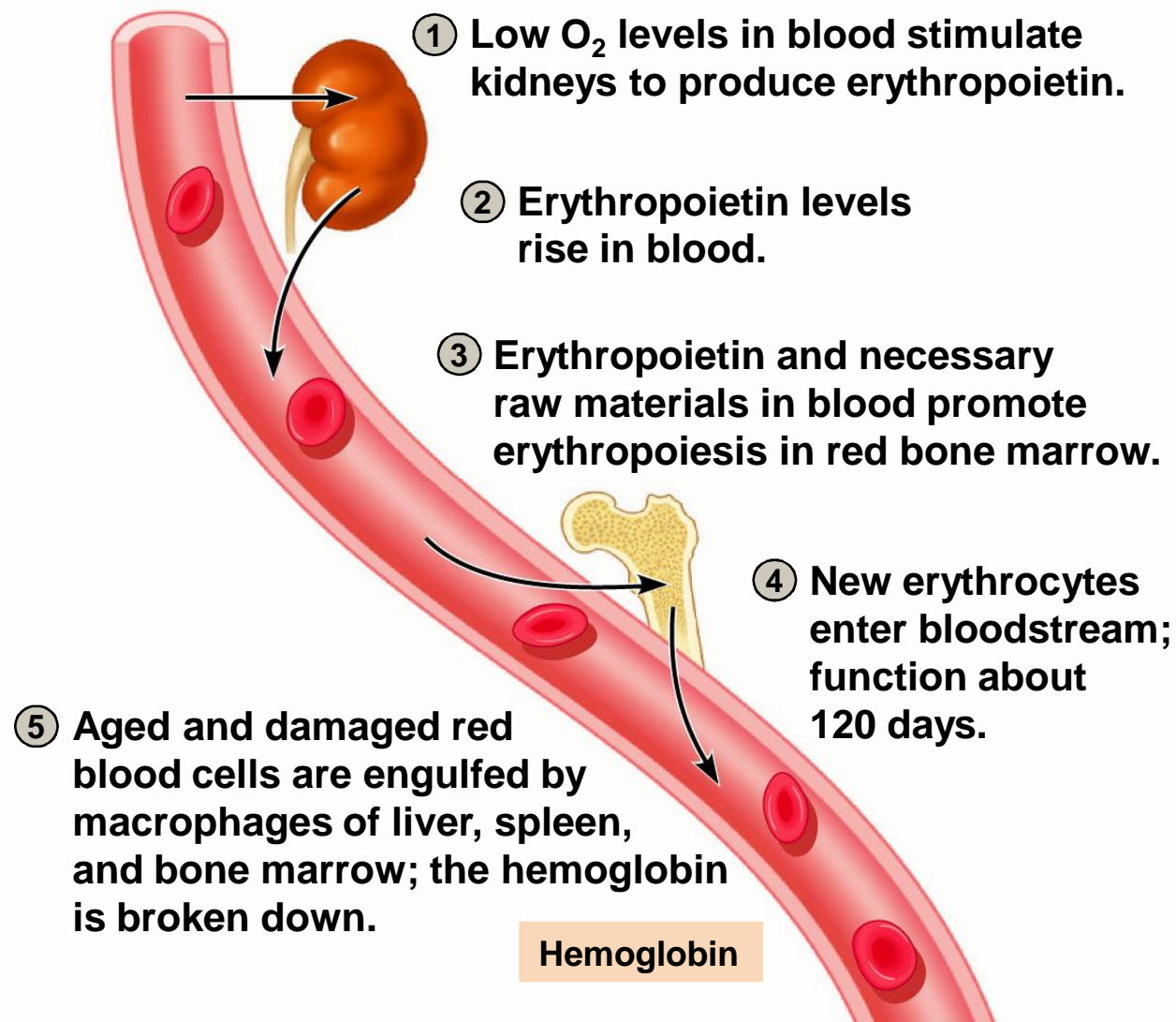


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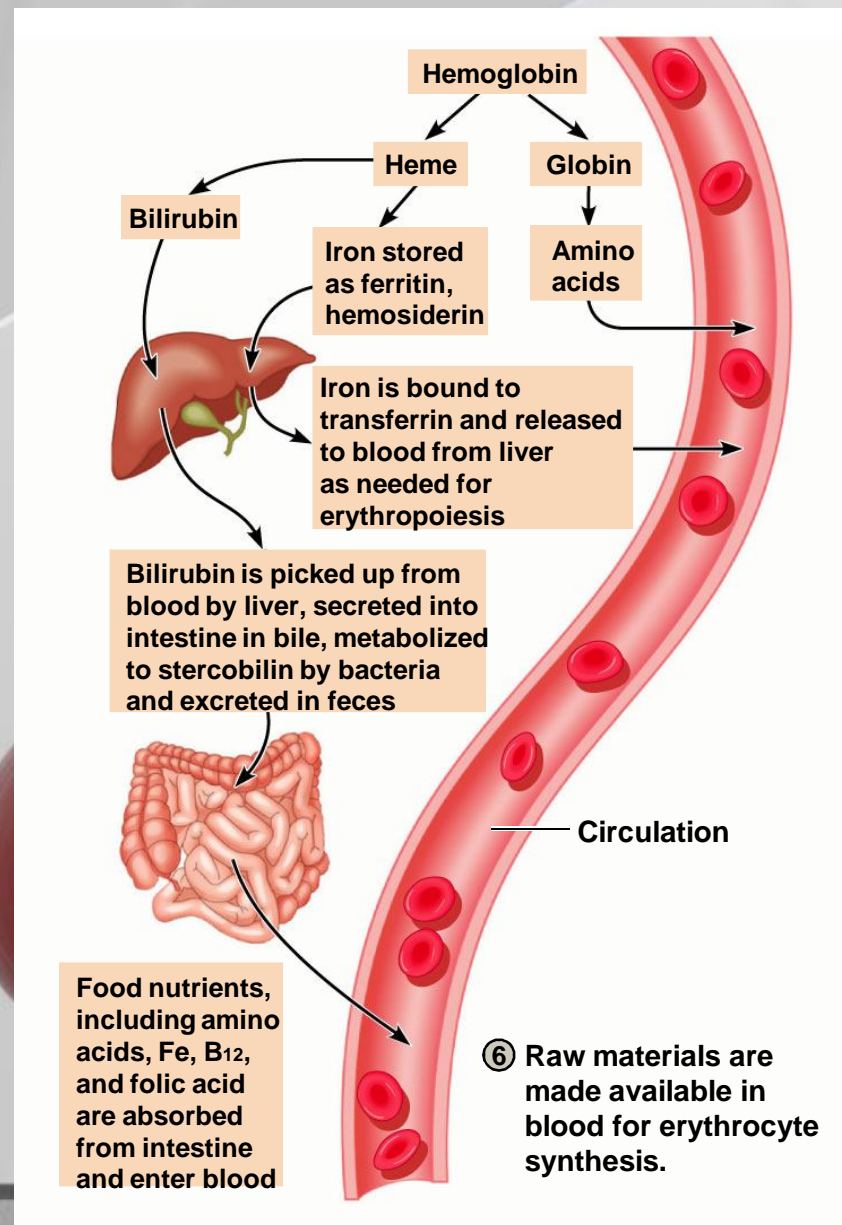


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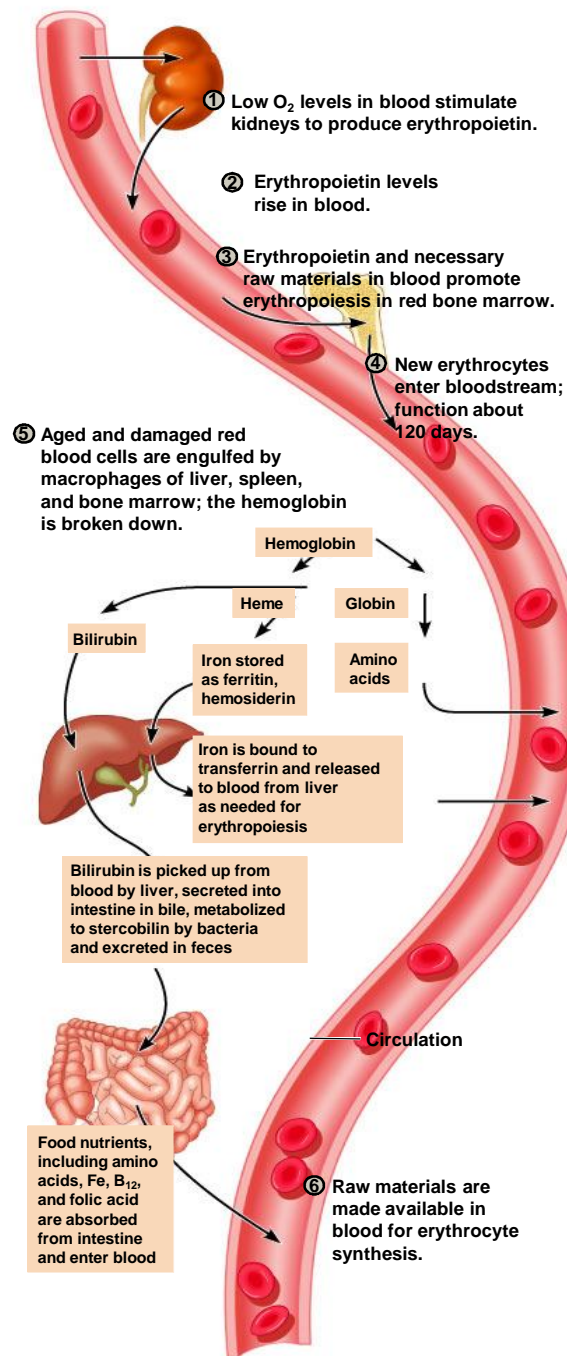
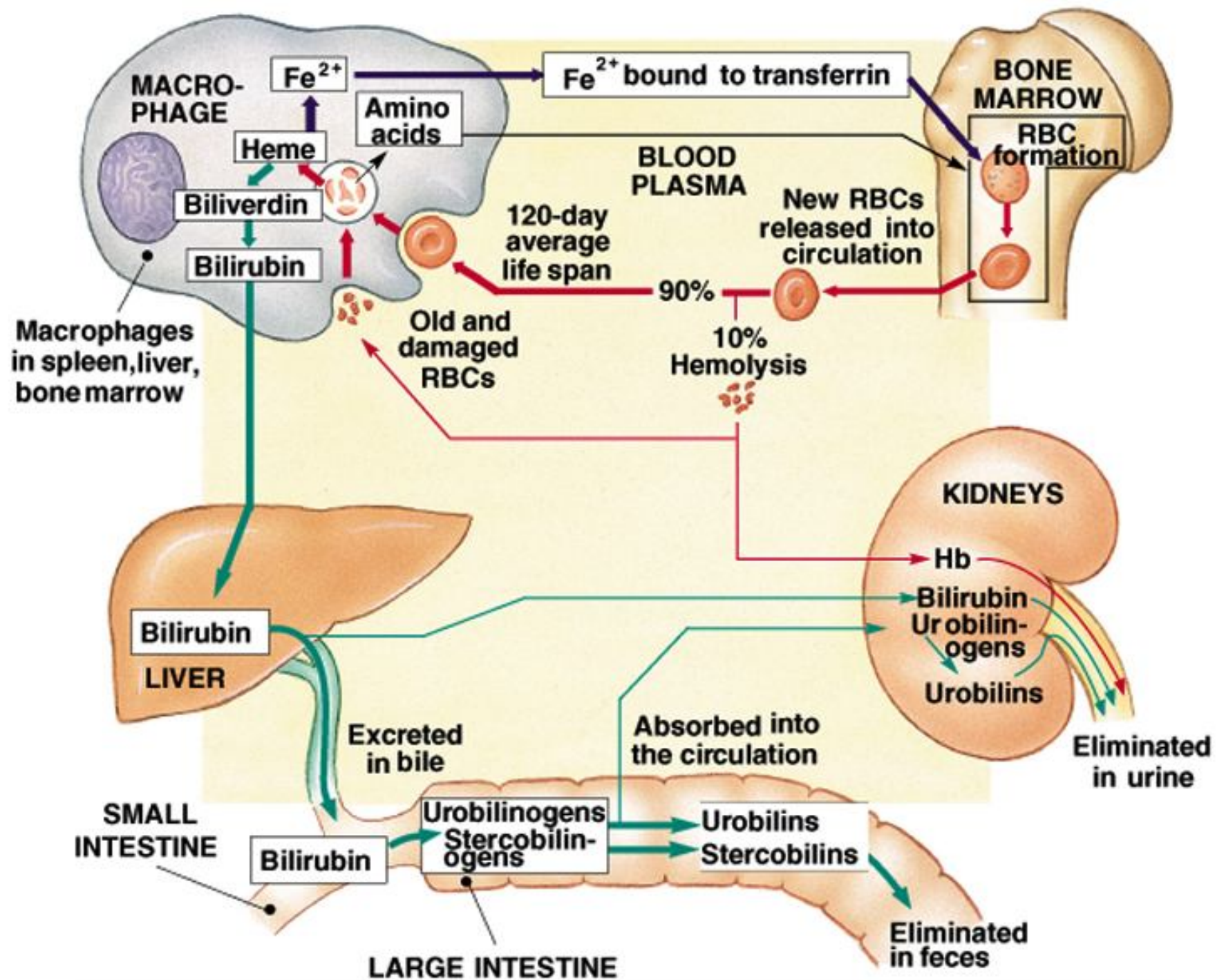
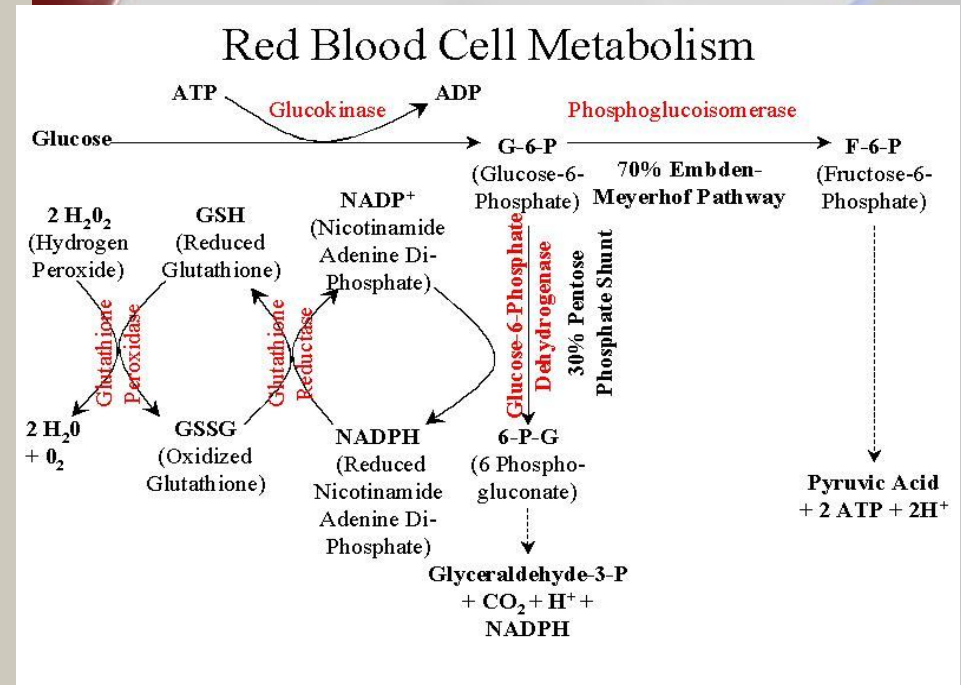


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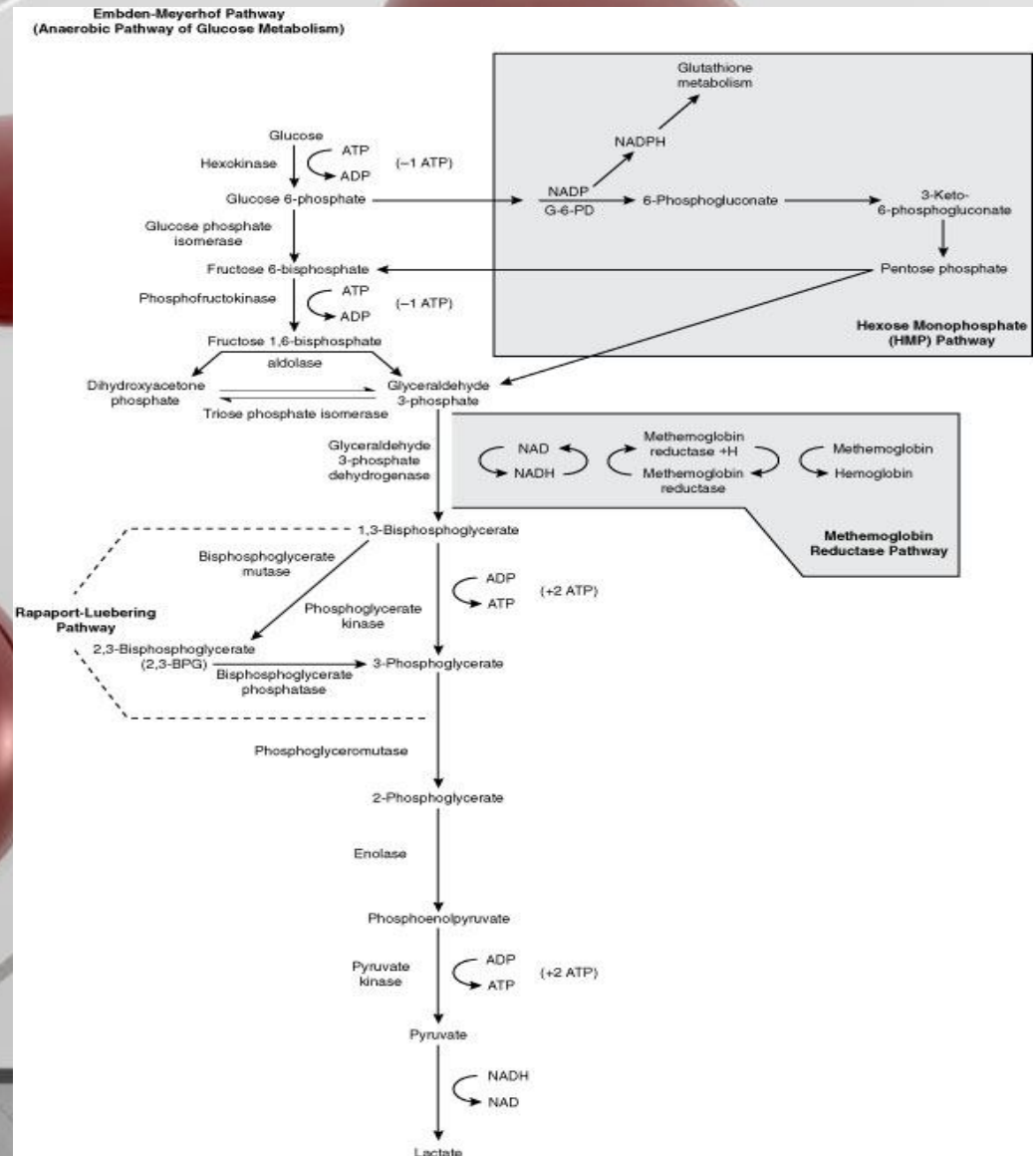
RBC Metabolic Needs

- Intracellular cationic electrochemical gradients
- Maintain membrane
- Maintain HGB (ferrous oxidation state)
- Protect cell proteins from oxidative denaturation
- Glycolysis
- Glutathione synthesis
- Nucleotide salvage



RBC Sources of Energy

- **EMP (anaerobic)**
 - glucose to lactate
 - ATP
- **Hexose-monophosphate Shunt (aerobic)**
 - G-6-P to 6-PG
 - NADPH
- **Rapoport-Luebering Shunt**
 - 1,3-diphosphoglycerate to 2,3- DPG
- **Methemoglobin Reductase**
 - G-3-P to 1,3-Bisphosphoglycerate
 - NADH



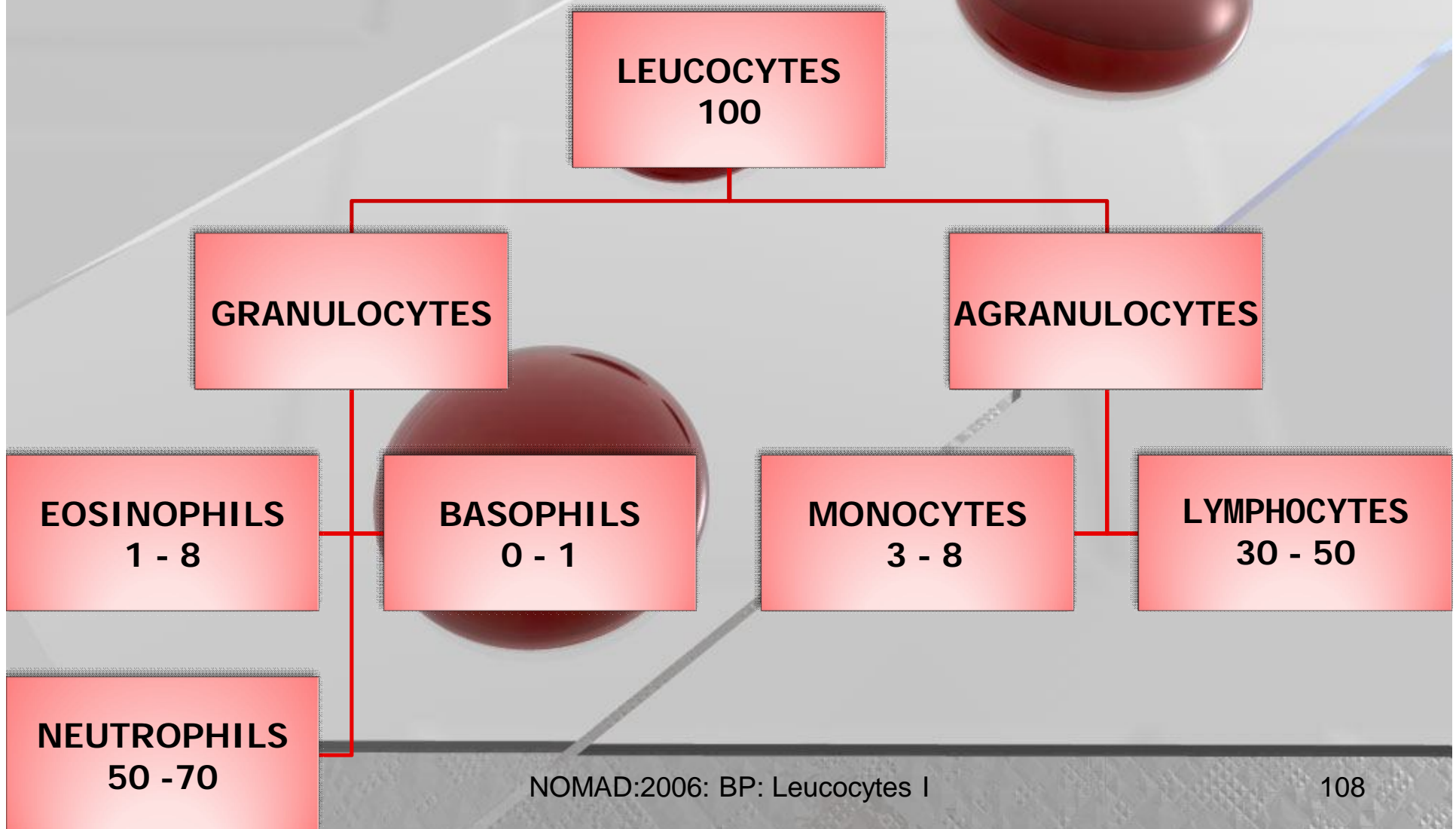
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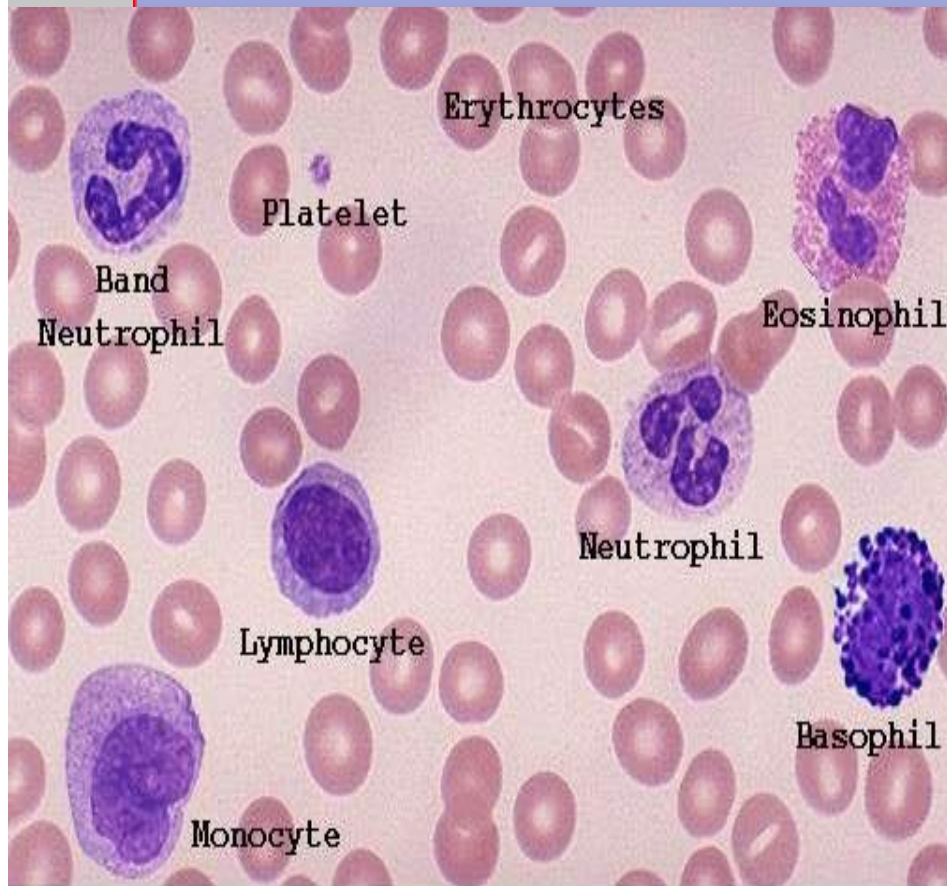
Role of Metabolic Pathways

Pathway	Enzymes	Role	Problems
EMP	Phosphofructokinase Pyruvate kinase (PK)	Produce ATP RBC Shape (ion pumps)	Hemolytic Anemia PK Deficiency
HMS	Glutathione Reductase G6PD	NADPH Production OXY-METH HB Balance	Hemolytic Anemias
RLB	DPG Synthetase	2,3-DPG Production HB Oxygen Affinity	Hypoxia
MHBR	Methemoglobin reductase	Protects HB from Oxidation via NADH	Hemolytic Anemia Hypoxia

CLASSIFICATION OF LEUCOCYTES



White cells, leukocytes



Wright-stained smear of normal blood (x1000)
The RBC's are biconcave discs stained buff-pink, and the WBC's nucleus and cytoplasmic granules and platelet stain varying degrees of blue and pink.

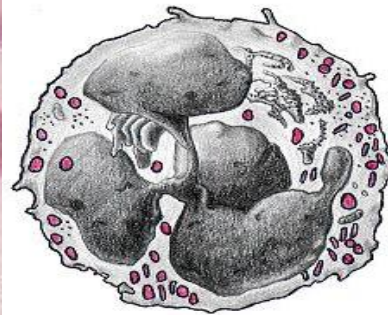


Fig. 8 - Neutrophil

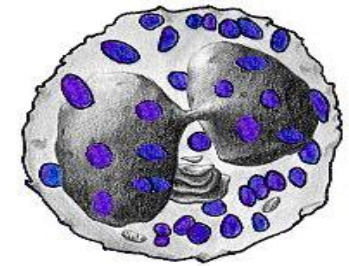


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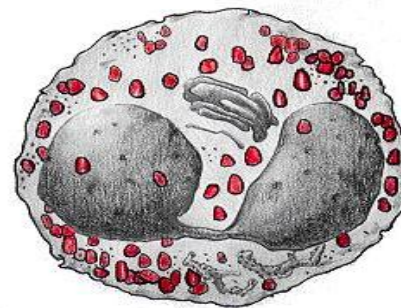


Fig. 11 - Lymphocyte

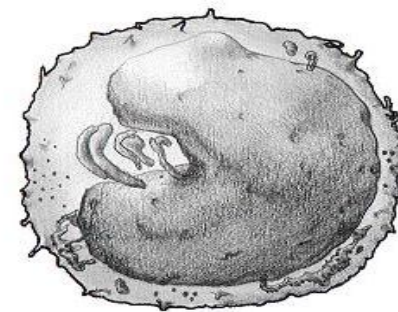


Fig. 12 - Monocyte

Leukocytes (WBCs)

- Leukocytes, the only blood components that are complete cells:
 - Are less numerous than RBCs
 - Make up 1% of the total blood volume
 - Can leave capillaries via diapedesis
 - Move through tissue spaces
- Leukocytosis – WBC count over 11,000 / mm³
 - Normal response to bacterial or viral invasion

**Differential
WBC count**
(All total 4800–
10,800/ μ l)

**Formed
elements**

Platelets

Leukocytes

Erythrocytes

Granulocytes

- Neutrophils (50–70%)

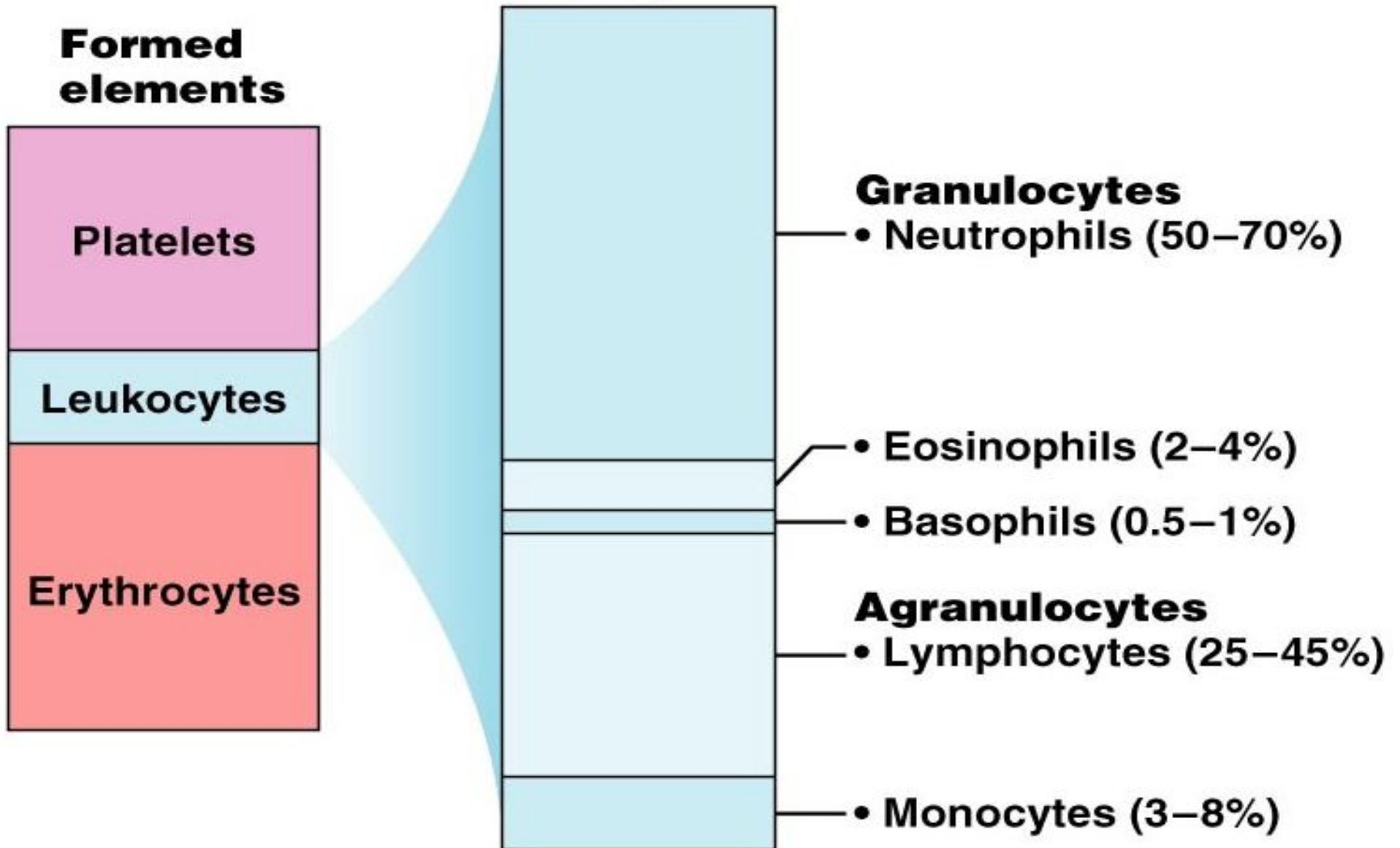
- Eosinophils (2–4%)

- Basophils (0.5–1%)

Agranulocytes

- Lymphocytes (25–45%)

- Monocytes (3–8%)



Granulocytes

- Granulocytes –
 - **neutrophils,**
 - **eosinophils,**
 - **and basophils**
- » Contain cytoplasmic granules that stain specifically (acidic, basic, or both) with Wright's stain
 - » Are larger and usually shorter-lived than RBCs
 - » Have lobed nuclei
 - » Are all phagocytic cells

LEUCOCYTES: REVIEW



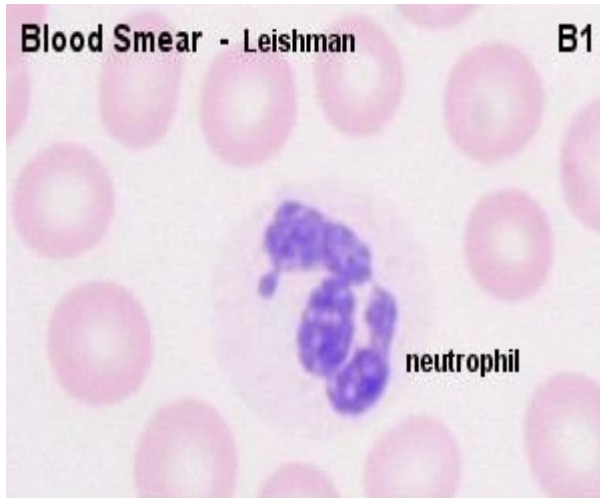
Transient life spans in the blood.

Neutrophils:

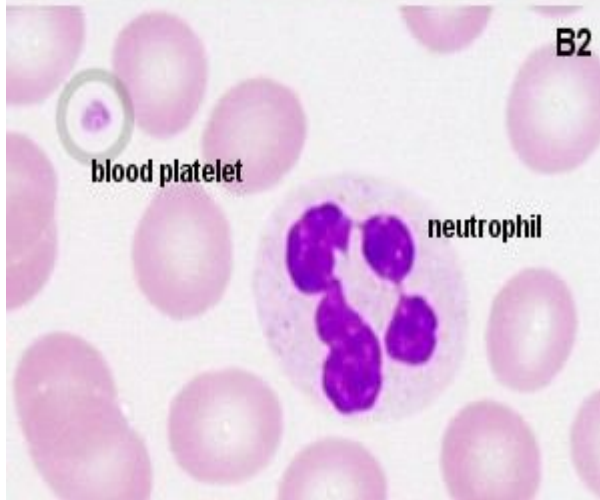
- **Phagocytic cells**
- **Act as frontline cells for defence along with Macrophages.**
- **Show:**
 - **Diapedesis**
 - **Amoeboid movement**
 - **Chemotaxis**
 - **Phagocytosis.**

LEUCOCYTES: REVIEW

- **Chemotaxis:** Directed movement
- **Chemotaxins:** Cytotaxins & Cytotaxigens



neutrophil



B2

blood platelet

neutrophil



Neutrophils

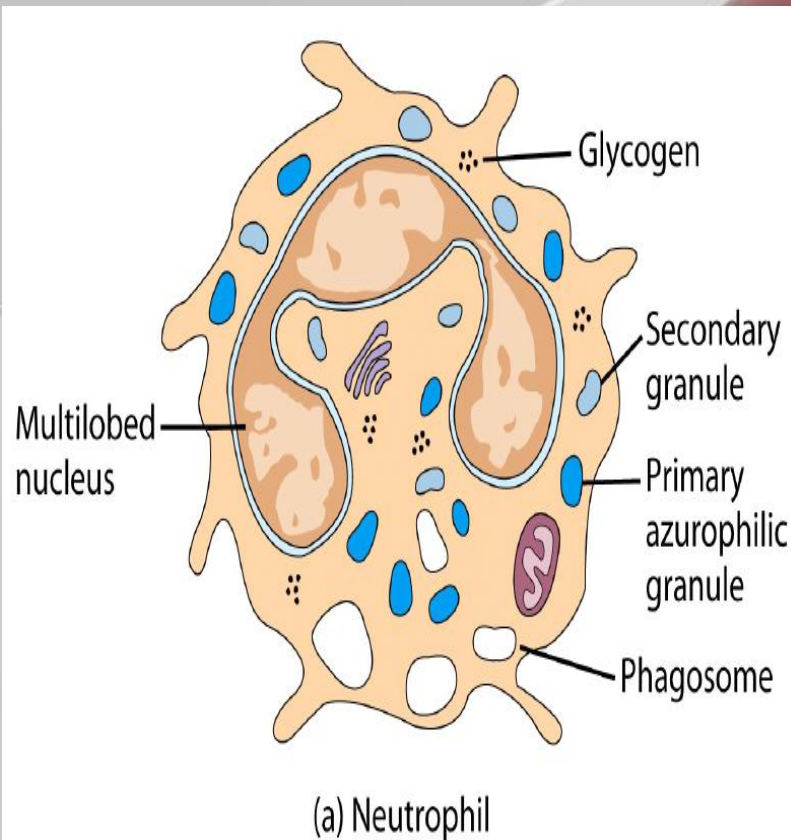
- Neutrophils have two types of granules that:
 - Take up both acidic and basic dyes
 - Give the cytoplasm a lilac color
 - Contain
 - peroxidases,
 - hydrolytic enzymes,
 - defensins (antibiotic-like proteins)
- Neutrophils are our body's bacteria slayers

- Neutrophils also release an assortment of proteins in three types of granules by a process called degranulation:[DON'T HAVE TO KNOW FOR NOW GENERAL INFO]

Granule type Protein

- **-specific granules** (or "secondary granules") Lactoferrin and Cathelicidin
- **azurophilic granules** (or "primary granules") myeloperoxidase, bactericidal/permeability increasing protein (BPI), Defensins and the serine proteases neutrophil elastase and cathepsin G
- **tertiary granules** cathepsin and gelatinase

Neutrophils

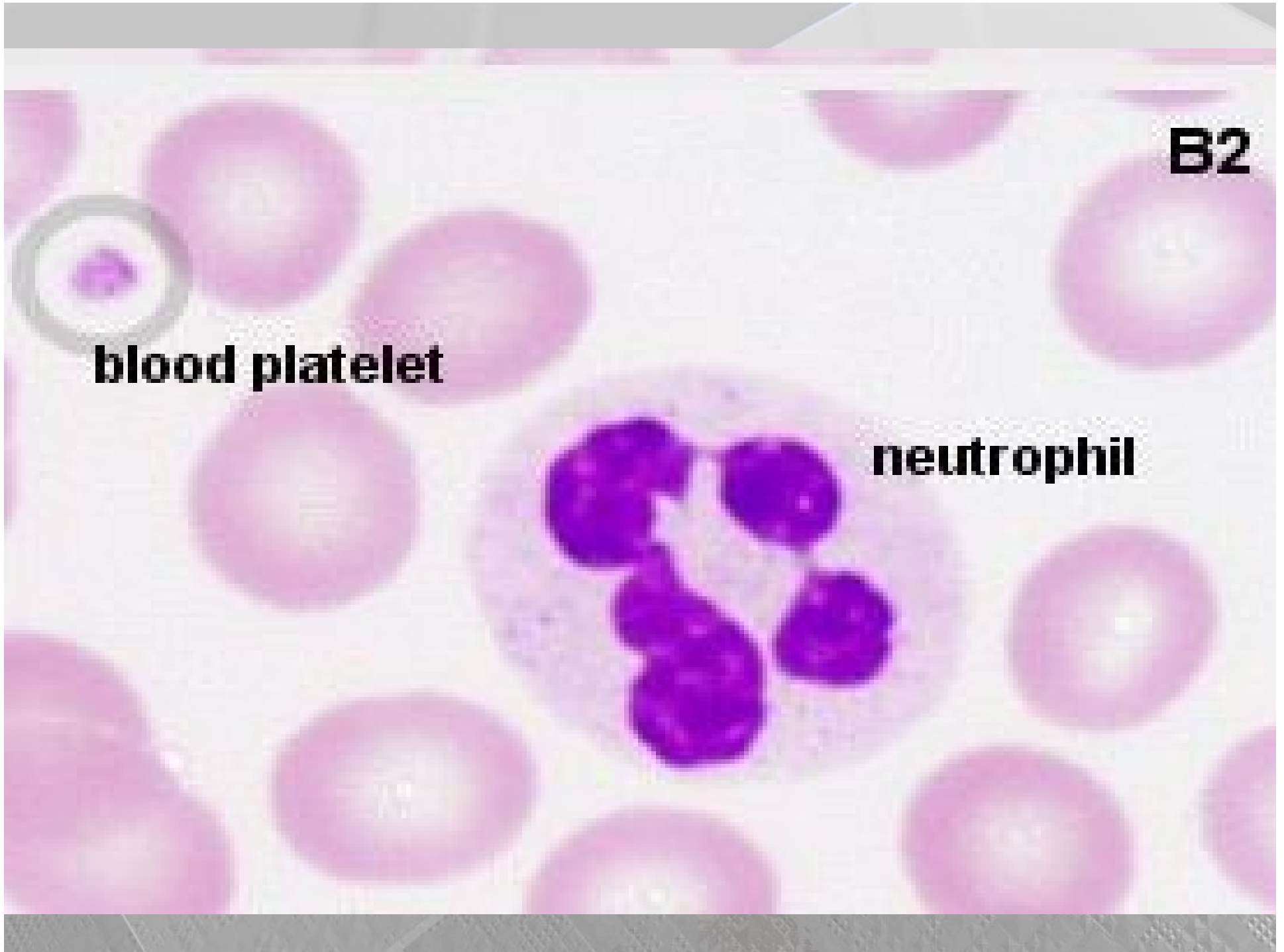


- Circulate in peripheral blood 7-10 hr before migrating into tissue; live only a few days
- “front line of innate defense”
- increased # (leukocytosis) used as an indicator of infection
- extravasate in inflam rxn
- **attracted by chemotactic factors**
They migrate through the blood vessels, then through interstitial tissue, following chemical signals such as
 - **-Interleukin-8 (IL-8) and C5a**
 - **-interferon gamma (IFN-gamma),**
 - **-C5a.**
- active phagocytes; digestive enzyme held in 1° and 2° granules
- Use both O₂-dep and O₂-indep digestive mech's

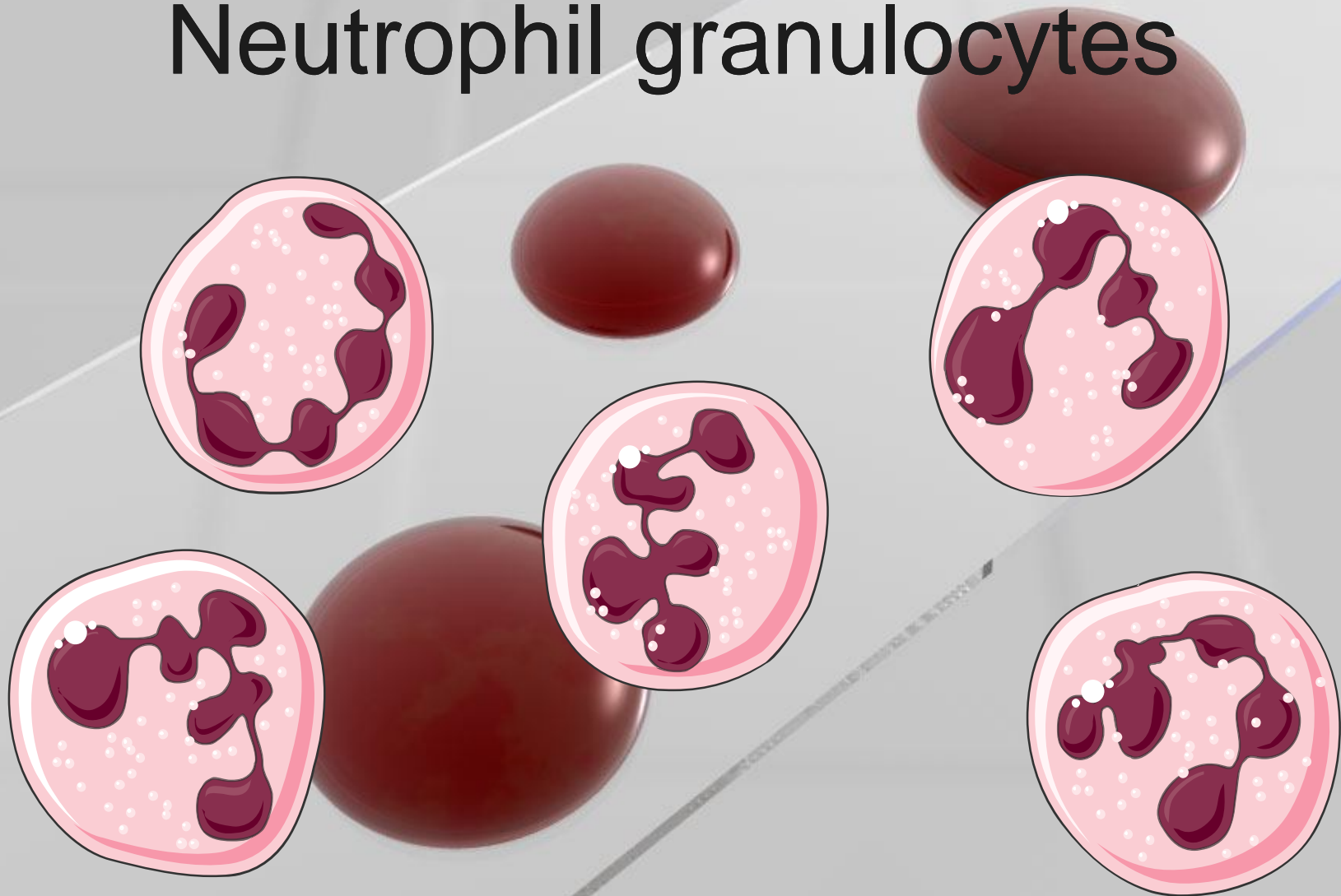
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Neutrophil granulocytes

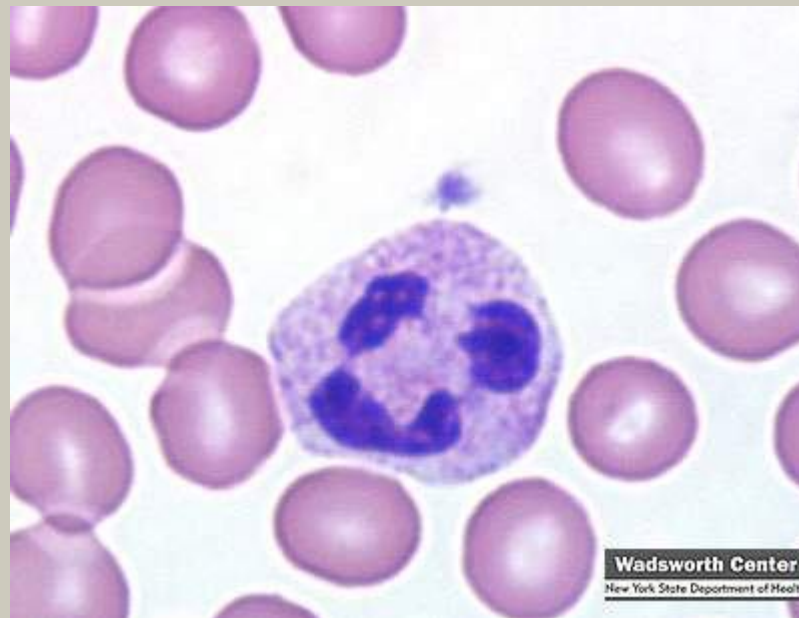


NEUTROPHILIA

- **NEUTROPHILIA: Increased neutrophil count, can be due to:**
 - Release of stored cells from the bone marrow reserves.
 - Bacterial Infections causing increased Neutropoiesis.
 - Exercise can cause release of stored neutrophils.

Segmented Neutrophil

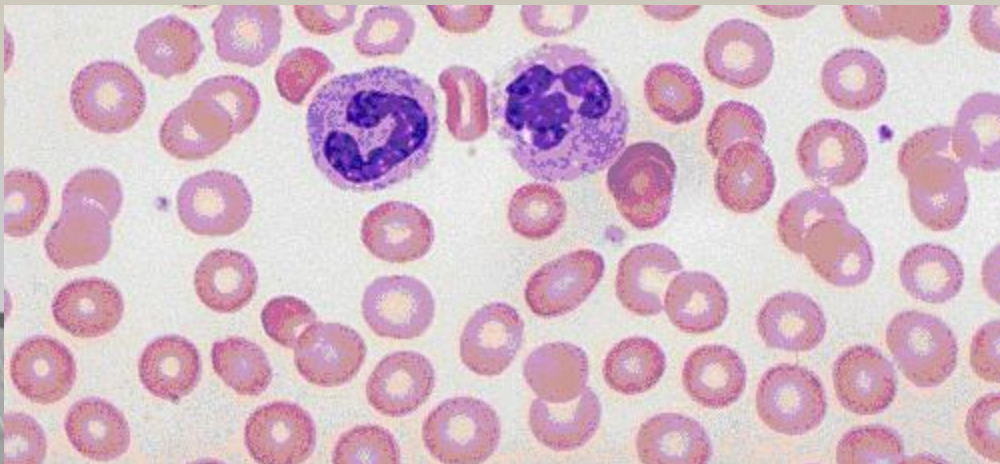
- Neutrophils are produced in bone marrow,
- Released into blood after completing their maturation in marrow, circulate for less than a day, and migrate out of the vessels into tissues or into alveoli and gut lumen.



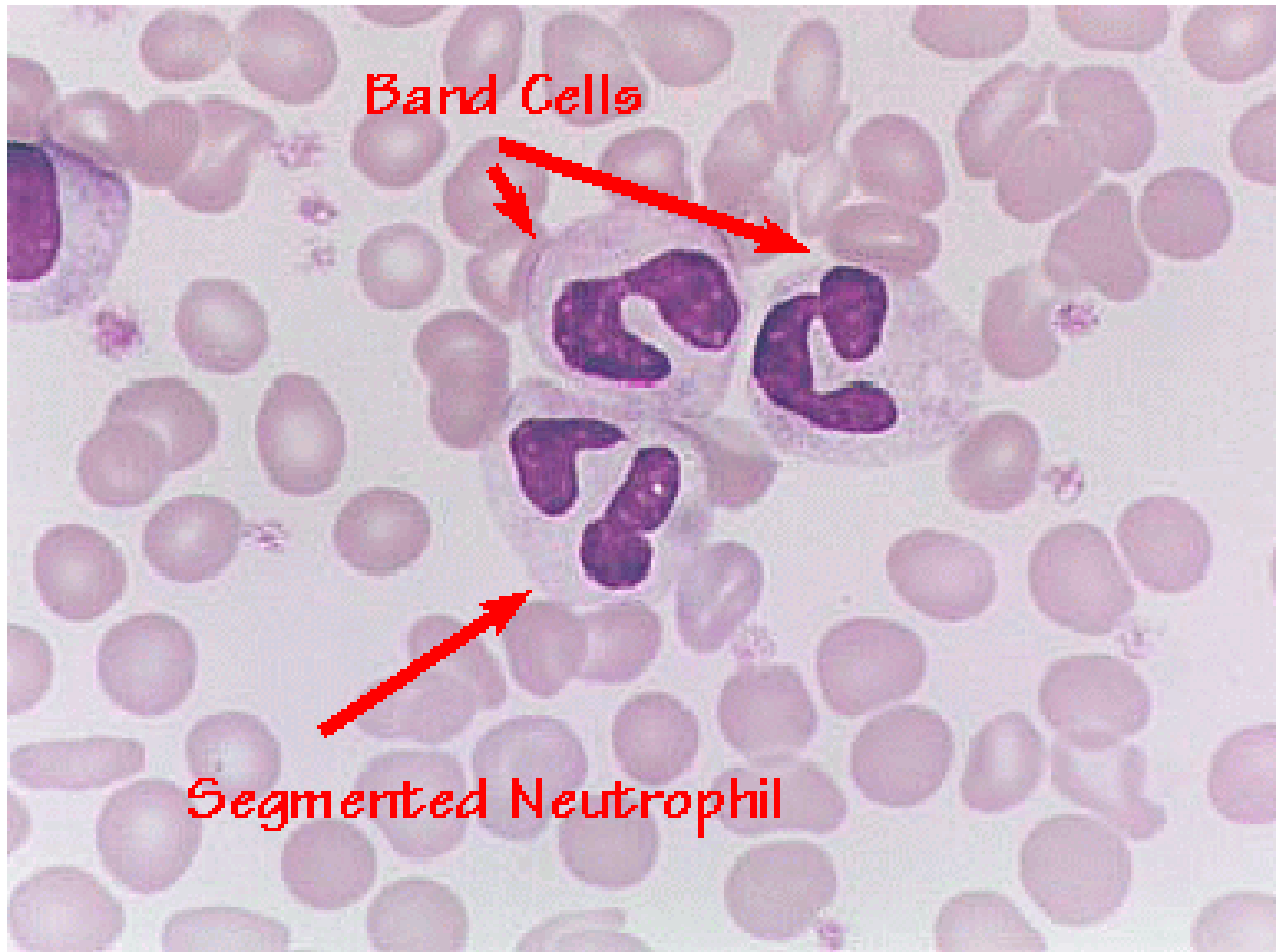
NOTICE THE FILAMENTS
BETWEEN THE LOBES

Band neutrophil

- A **band cell (stab cell)** is a cell undergoing granulopoiesis, derived from a metamyelocyte, and **leading to a mature granulocyte.**
- It is characterized by having a nucleus which is curved, but not lobar.
- Often the term "band cell" implies a neutrophilic lineage. However, the term is not used only with neutrophils.
- **A count of band neutrophils is used to measure inflammation.**



NOTICE NO FILAMENT
BETWEEN THE LOBES ,
ONE CONNECTION



Cytoplasmic Granules

- Fine, azurophilic (Stain with both Eosin & Methylene blue) in nature.
- Contain enzymes such as:
 - Cathepsins.
 - Phosphatases.
 - Nucleases.
- Granules serve as **lysosomes**.

NEUTROPHILS & MONOCYTES: Functions

- They seek, attack and destroy invading **bacteria, viruses and other injurious agents**
- Neutrophils attack and destroy bacteria and viruses, even in the blood.
- Monocytes are immature until they enter the tissues. There, they swell up to 80 Microns, develop lysosomes, and become Macrophages, capable of defence.

Neutrophils & Macrophages

- **Diapedesis:** They squeeze through the pores of the blood vessels.
- **Amoeboid movement:** They move at rates several times their own length!
- **Chemotaxis:** Directed movement – cells move towards infected areas.



Eosinophils

Blood Smear - Leishman

B1

eosinophil

B2

neutrophil

eosinophil

- Eosinophils account for 1–4% of WBCs
 - Have red-staining, bilobed nuclei connected via a broad band of nuclear material
 - Have red to crimson (acidophilic) large, coarse, lysosome-like granules
 - Lead the body's counterattack against parasitic worms
 - Lessen the severity of allergies by phagocytizing immune complexes

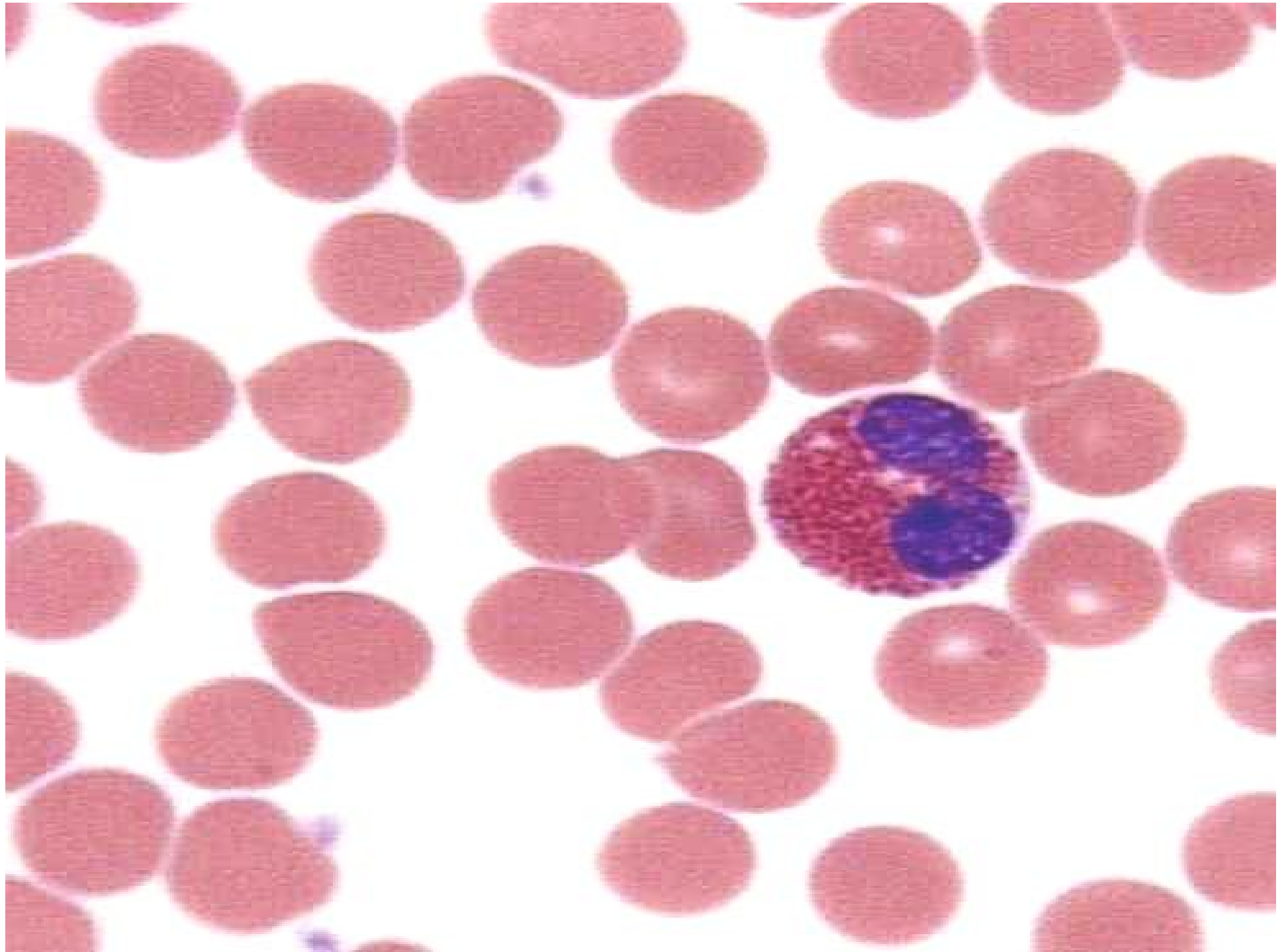
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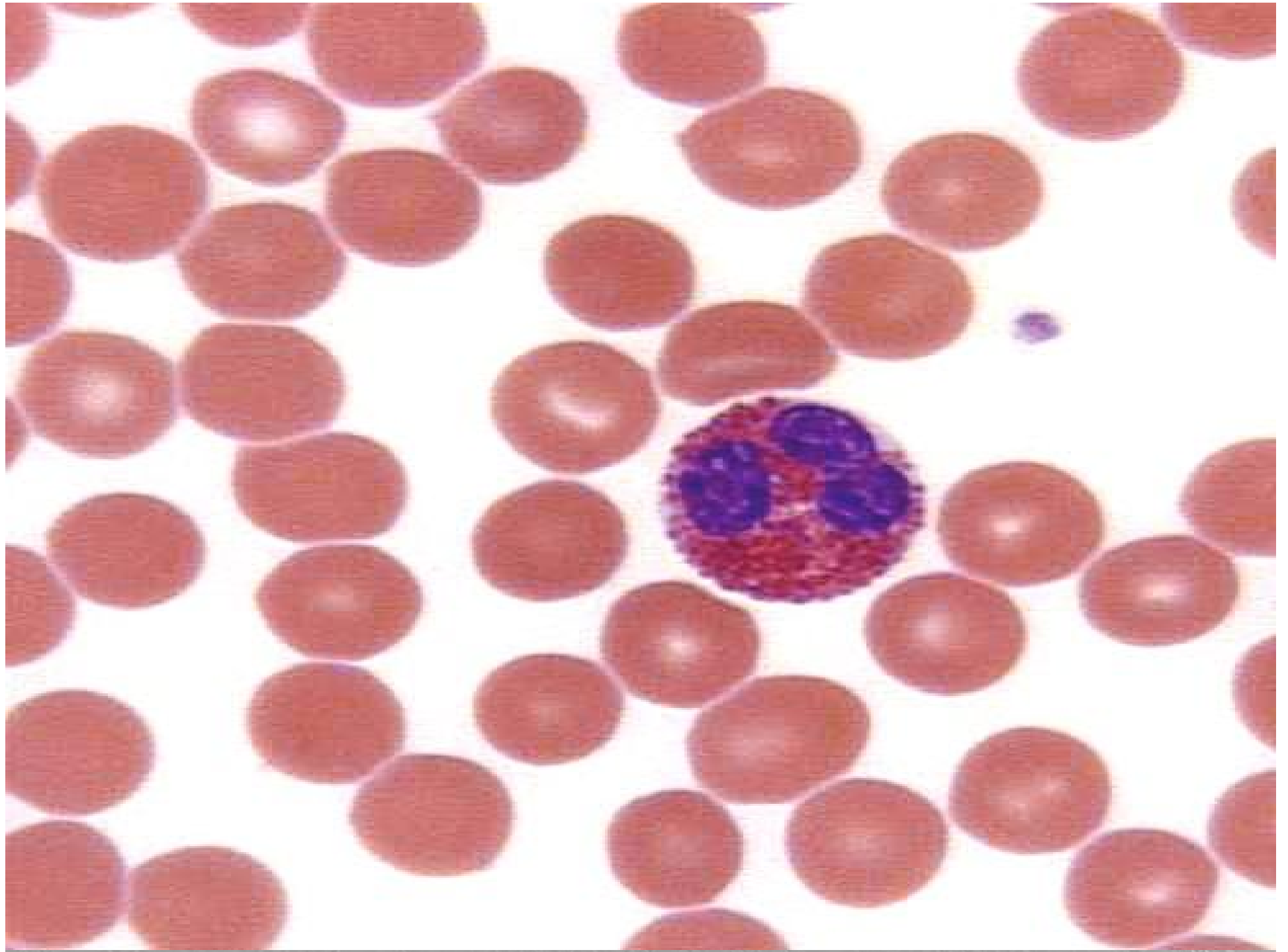
- Small granules contain many mediators:
 - histaminase and
 - eosinophil peroxidase,
 - ribonuclease (RNase),
 - deoxyribonucleases,
 - lipase, plasminogen,.
- These mediators are released by a process called degranulation following activation of the eosinophil, and are toxic to both parasite and host tissues

EOSINOPHILS

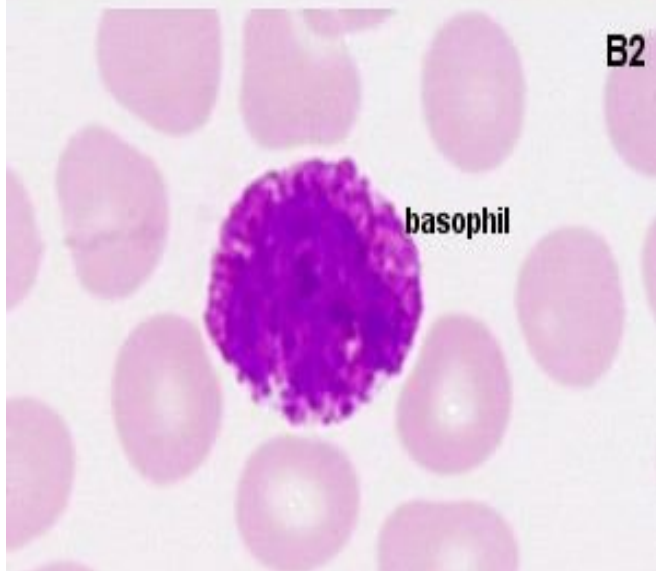
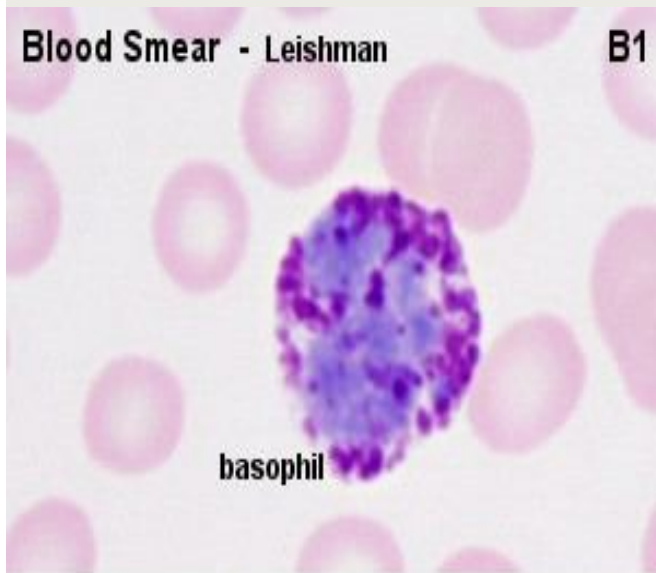
- They are found in the
 - medulla and the junction between the cortex and medulla of the thymus,
 - in the lower gastrointestinal tract,
 - ovary,
 - uterus,
 - spleen,
 - lymph nodes,
 - **but not in the lung, skin, esophagus, or some other internal organs^[vague] under normal conditions.**

The presence of eosinophils in these latter organs is associated with disease. Eosinophils persist in the circulation for 8–12 hours, and can survive in tissue for an additional 8–12 days in the absence of stimulation

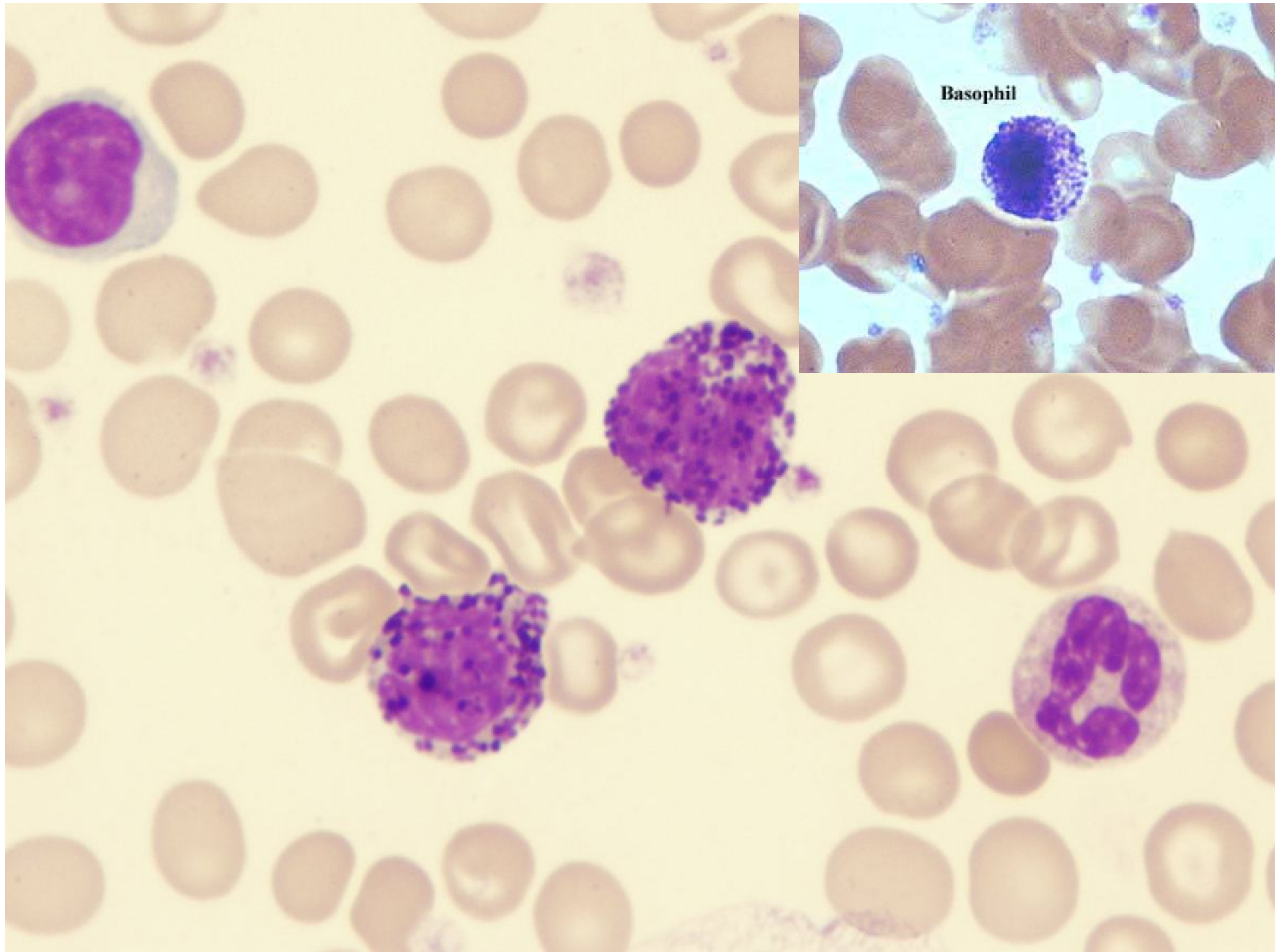




Basophils



- Account for 0.5% of WBCs and:
 - Have U- or S-shaped nuclei with two or three conspicuous constrictions
 - Are functionally similar to mast cells
 - Have large, purplish-black (basophilic) granules that contain histamine
 - **Histamine** – inflammatory chemical that acts as a vasodilator and attracts other WBCs (antihistamines counter this effect)
 - **Heparine**

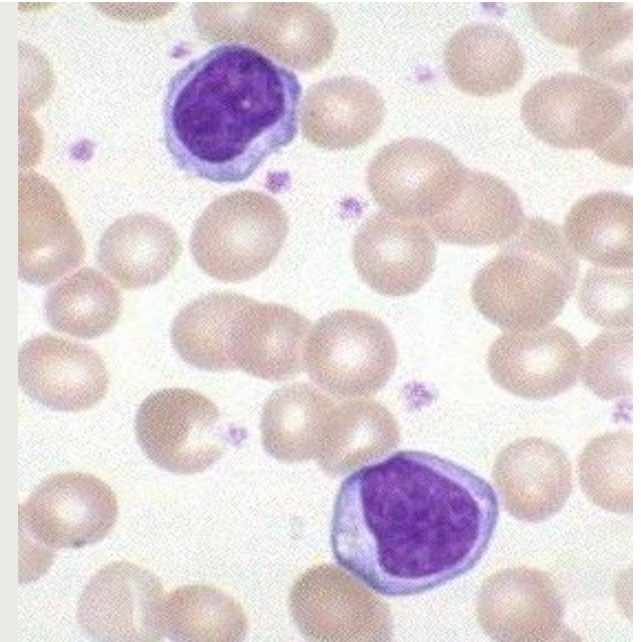


Agranulocytes

- Agranulocytes :
- **lymphocytes and monocytes:**
 - Lack visible cytoplasmic granules
 - Are similar structurally, but are functionally distinct and unrelated cell types
 - Have spherical (lymphocytes) or kidney-shaped (monocytes) nuclei

Lymphocytes

- Account for 25% or more of WBCs and:
 - Have large, dark-purple, circular nuclei with a thin rim of blue cytoplasm
 - Are found mostly enmeshed in lymphoid tissue (some circulate in the blood)
- There are two types of lymphocytes: T cells and B cells
 - *T cells function in the immune response*
 - *B cells give rise to plasma cells, which produce antibodies*

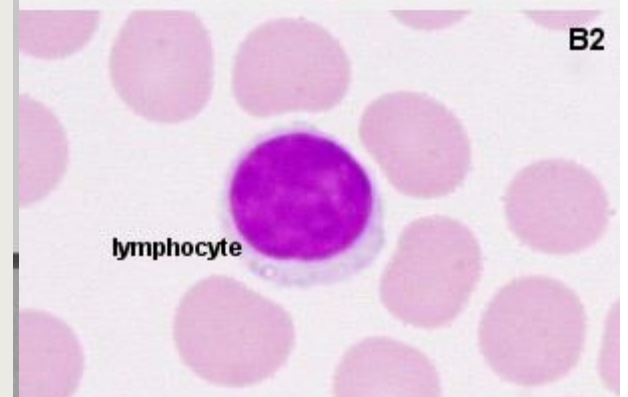


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lymphocyte



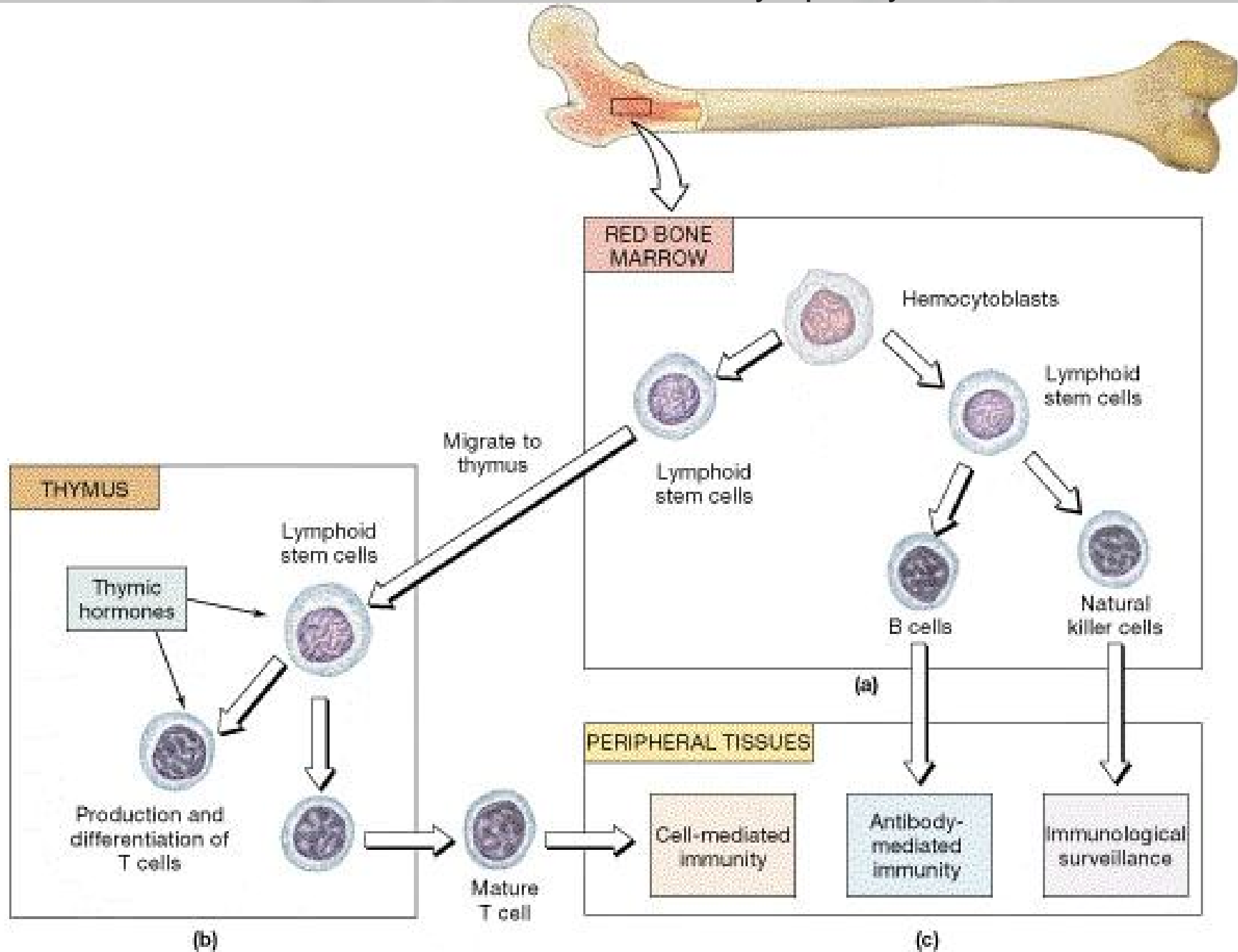
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lymphocyte

Table 24.1**Types of Lymphocytes**

Cell Type	Function	Type of Antigen Response
T-LYMPHOCYTE		
Helper T-lymphocyte	Initiates and oversees the immune response	Responds to a single antigen
Cytotoxic T-lymphocyte	Directly kills foreign cells; must be activated by a helper T-lymphocyte first	Responds to a single antigen
Memory T-lymphocyte	A type of cytotoxic T-lymphocyte that has already killed; patrols the body looking for the same antigen again	Responds to a single antigen
Suppressor T-lymphocyte	Helps “turn off” the immune response once it has been activated	Responds to a single antigen
B-LYMPHOCYTE		
Plasma cell	Produces and secretes antibodies	Responds to a single antigen
Memory B-lymphocyte	Remembers an initial antigen attack and mounts a faster, more efficient response should the same antigen type attack again	Responds to a single antigen
NK (NATURAL KILLER) CELL		
NK (natural killer) cell	Kills a wide variety of infected and cancerous cells	Responds to multiple antigens

Derivation and Distribution of Lymphocytes



Cells of Immune System

Stem cells of bon marrow

differentiate into

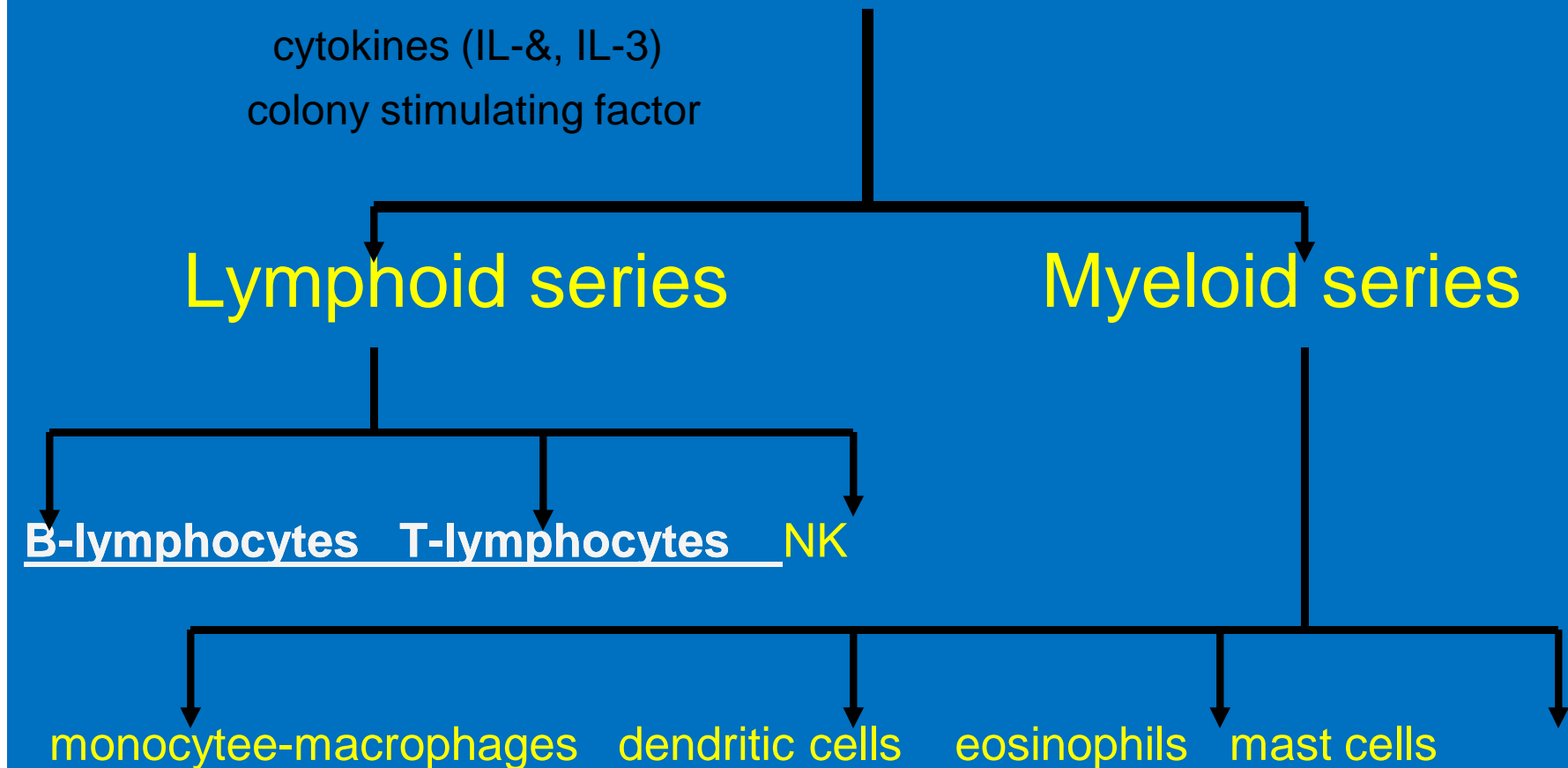
cytokines (IL-&, IL-3)
colony stimulating factor

Lymphoid series

Myeloid series

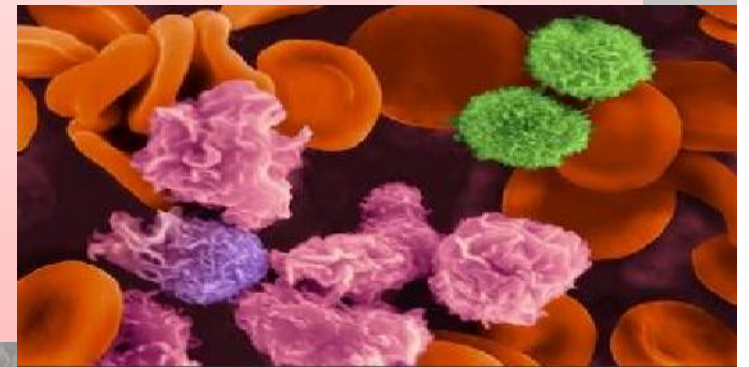
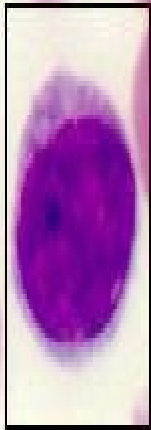
B-lymphocytes T-lymphocytes NK

monocyte-macrophages dendritic cells eosinophils mast cells

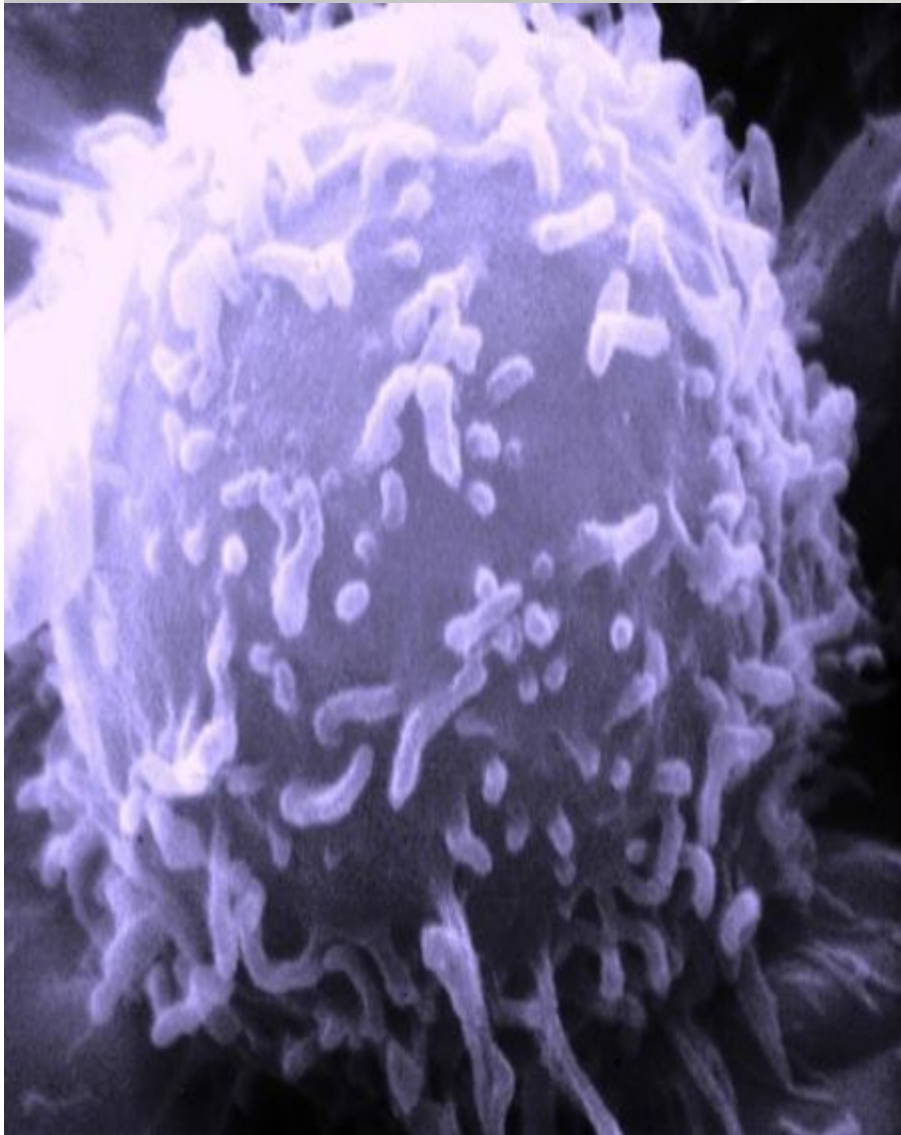


LYMPHOCYTES: IMMUNOCYTES

- Physiological Classification: T and B
 - 'T' LYMPHOCYTES :
 - **Thymus** trained or schooled cells
 - Responsible for **Cell mediated immunity.**
 - Provide protection against intracellular pathogens



Lymphocytes



- T cells and B cells protect the body against antigens
- Antigen – anything the body perceives as foreign
 - Bacteria and their toxins; viruses
 - Mismatched RBCs or cancer cells

Lymphocytes

- T cells
 - Manage the immune response
 - Attack and destroy foreign cells
- B cells
 - Produce plasma cells, which secrete antibodies
 - Antibodies immobilize antigens

T-Lmphocytes

Immature T-cells express both CD4 and CD8 (DP)

As they mature

- * T-cell with TCRs that have affinity to bind to MHC class II will become helper T-cells with CD4 molecule only
- * T-cell with TCRs that have affinity to bind with MHC class I will become cytotoxic T-cells with CD8 molecule only

The Life Of The B Cell

- B lymphocytes are formed within the bone marrow and undergo their development there

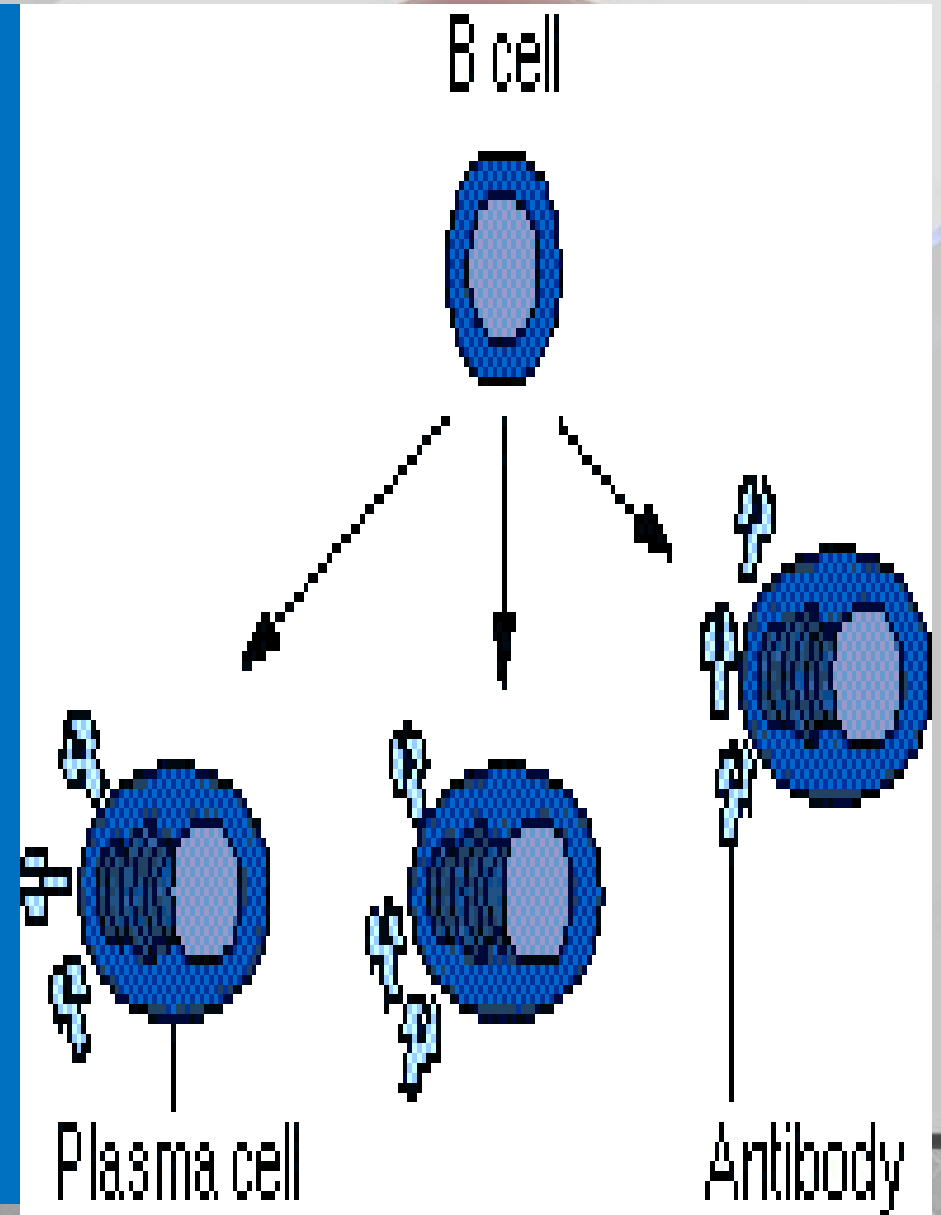
They have the following functions:

- To interact with antigenic epitopes, using their immunoglobulin receptors
- To subsequently develop into plasma cells, secreting large amounts of specific antibody, or
- To circulate as memory cells
- To present antigenic peptides to T cells

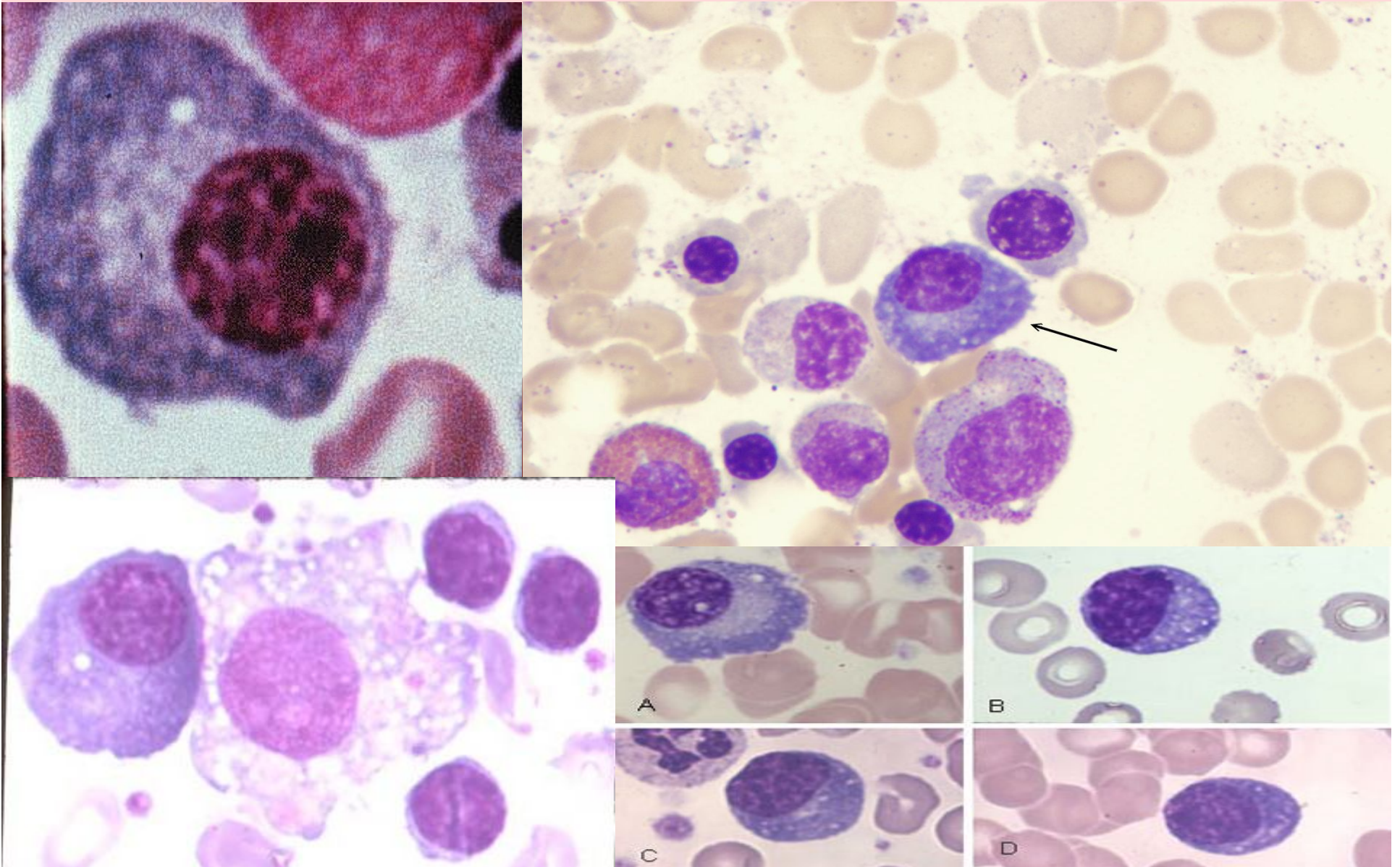
B-lymphocytes

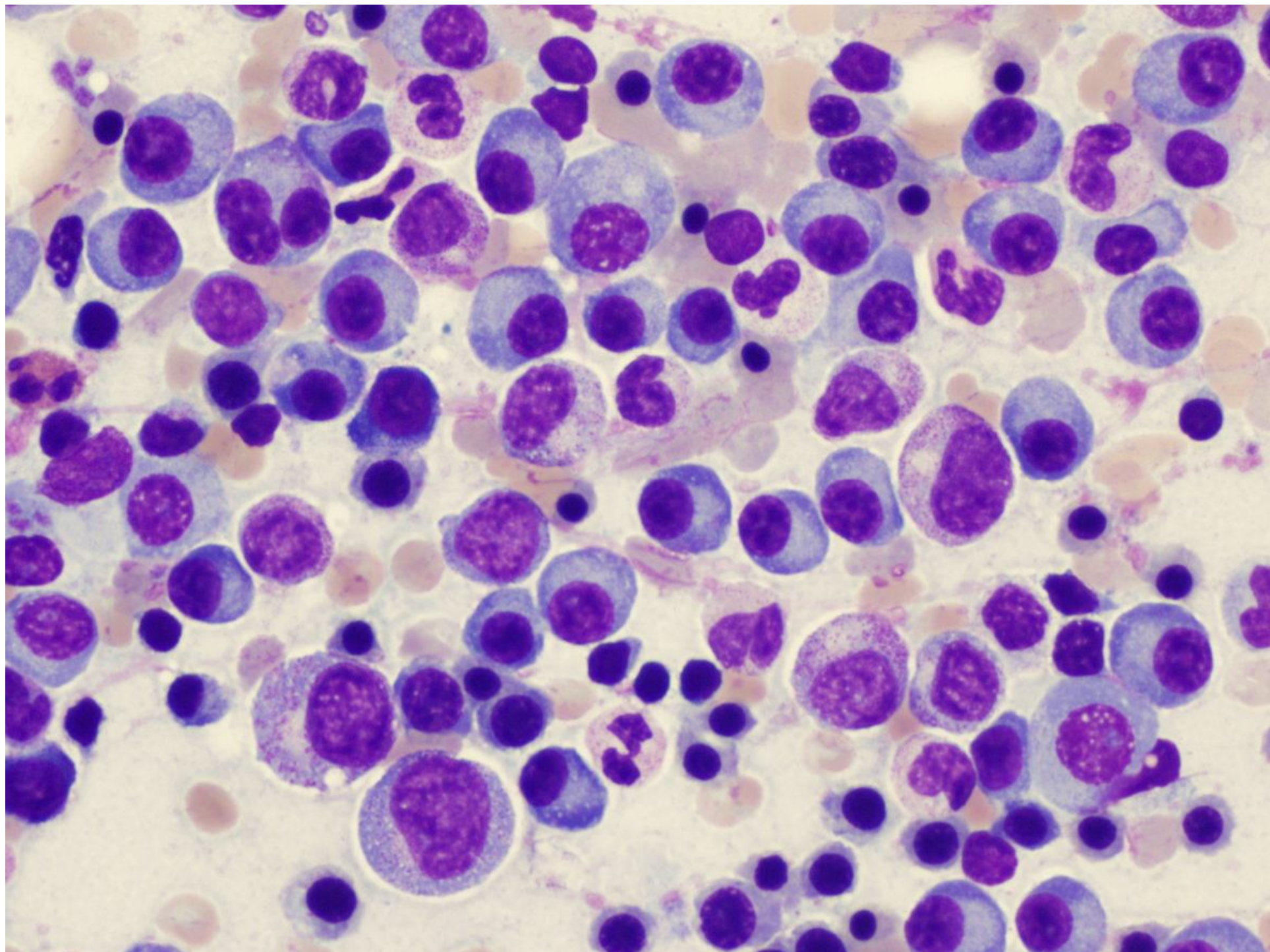
- * Immature B cells express IgM receptors on the surface
- * Mature B cells express IgM, IgD molecules on surfaces
- * IgM and IgD molecules serve as receptors for antigens
- * Memory B-cells express IgG or IgA or IgE on the surface
- * B-cells bear receptors for Fc portion of IgG and a receptor for C3 component of the complement
- * They express an array of molecules on their surfaces that are important in B-cells interactions with other cells such as MHC II, B7 and CD40

* B cells become plasma cells, which produce antibodies when a foreign antigen triggers the immune response

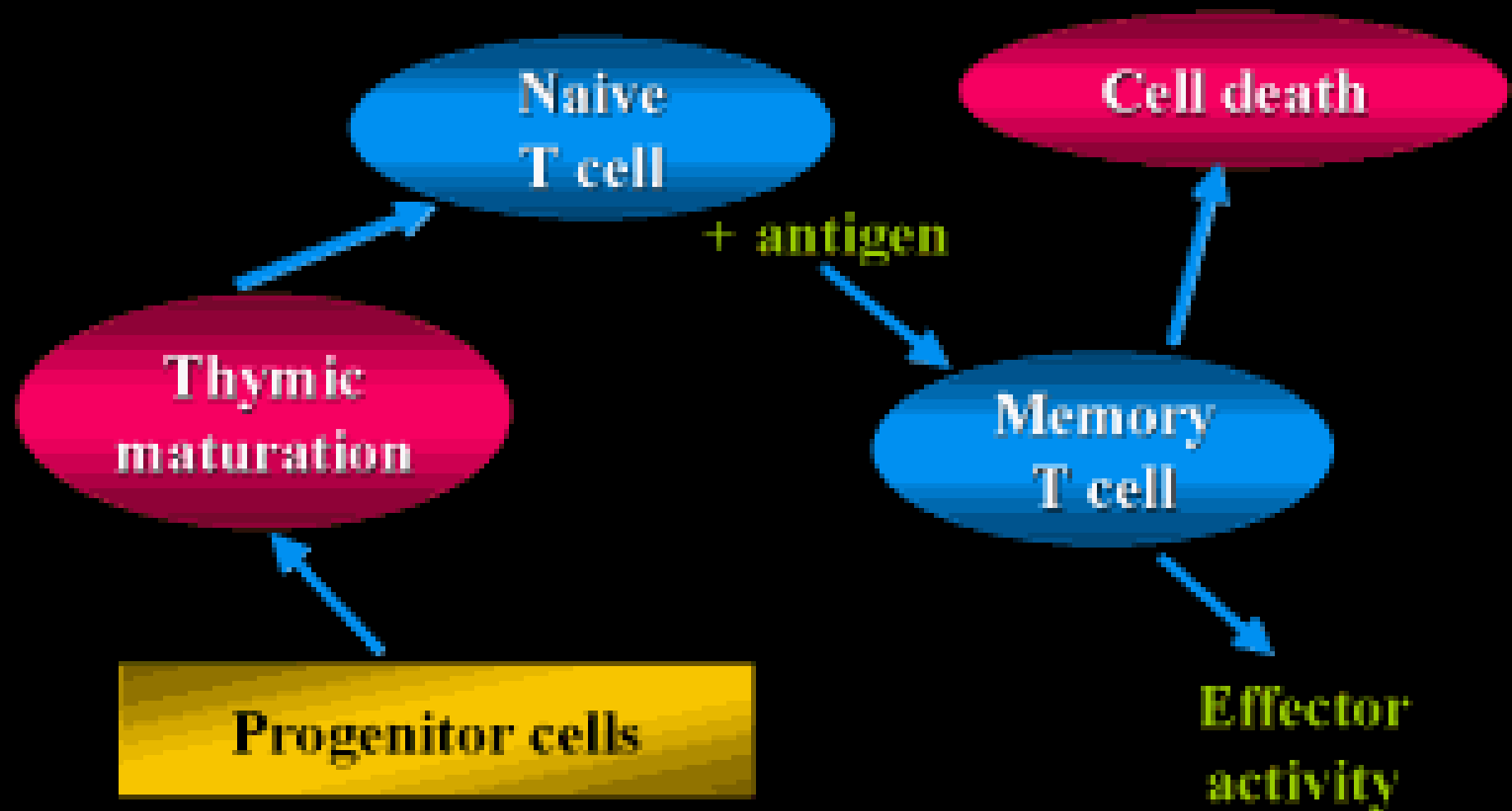


B lymphocytes , plasma cells plasma B cells, plasmocytes, effector B cells

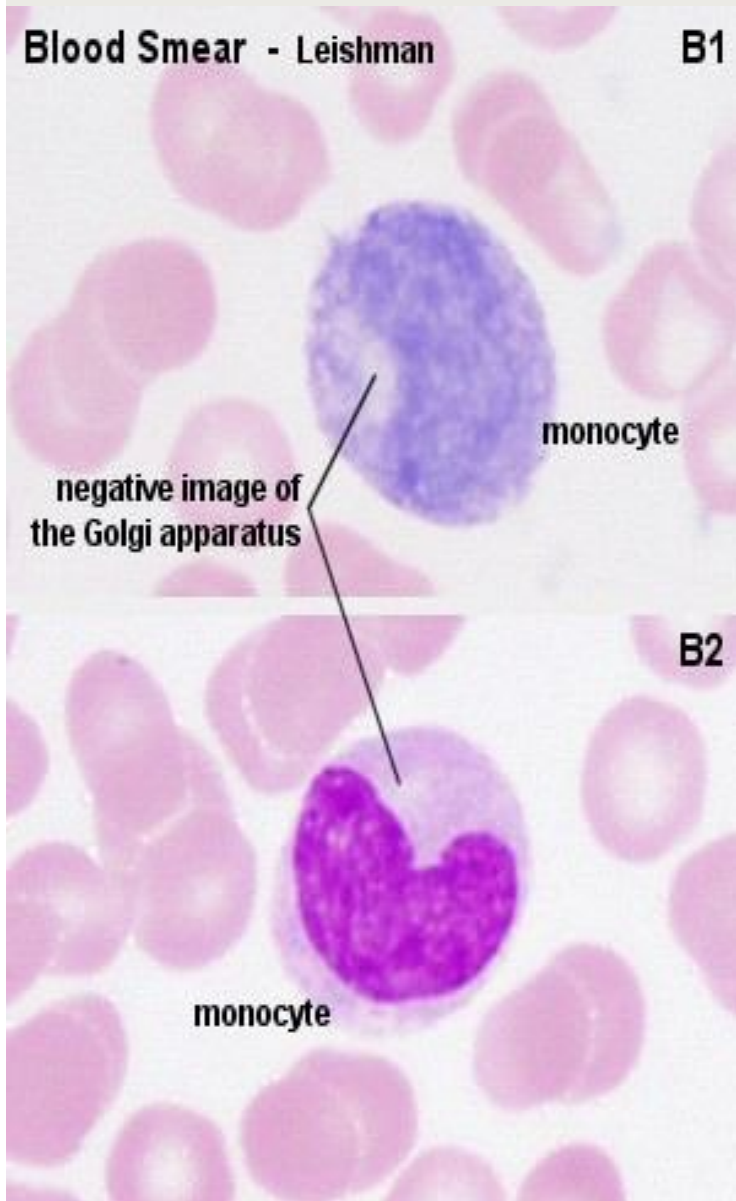




T-Lymphocyte Development and Function



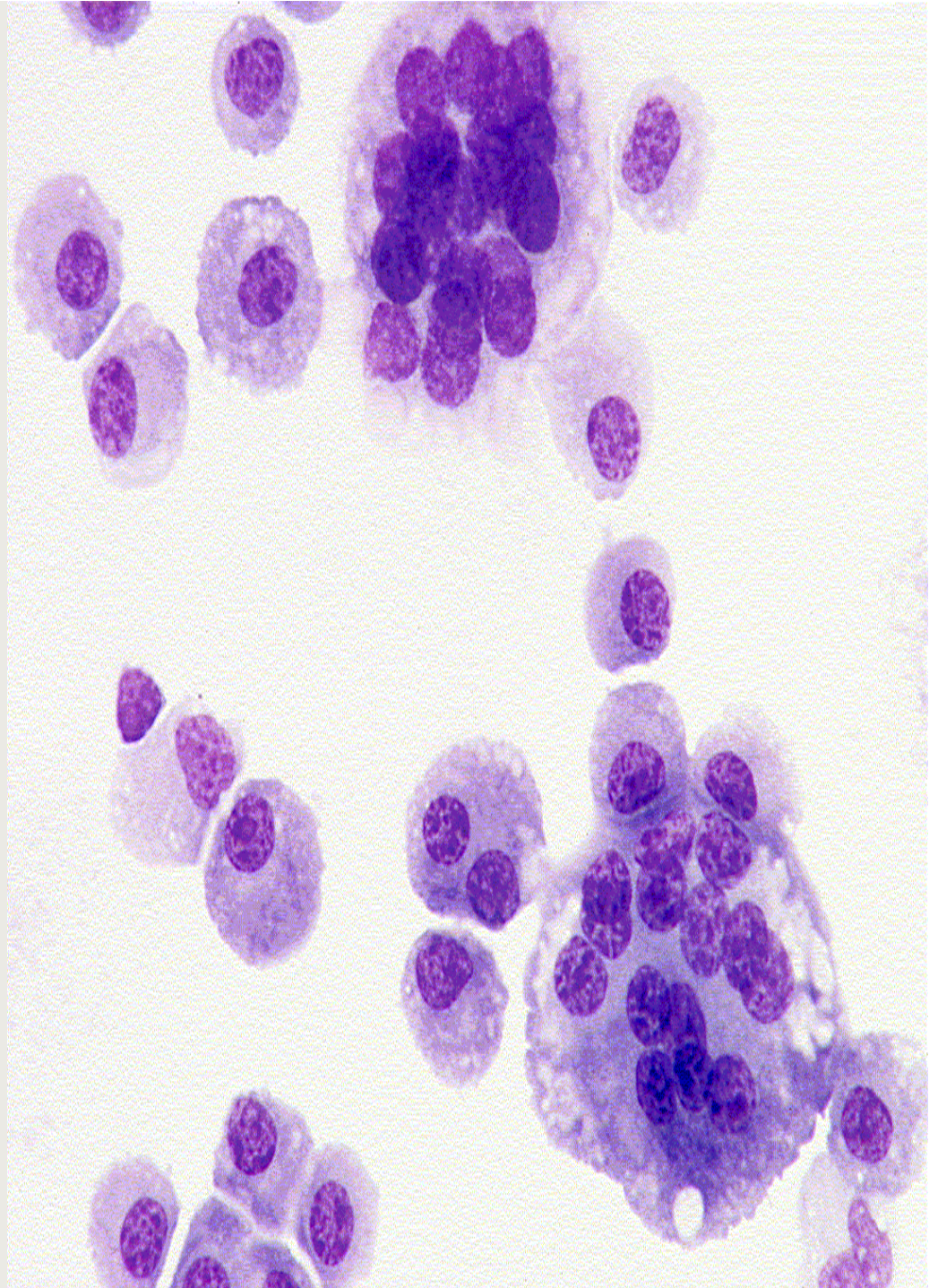
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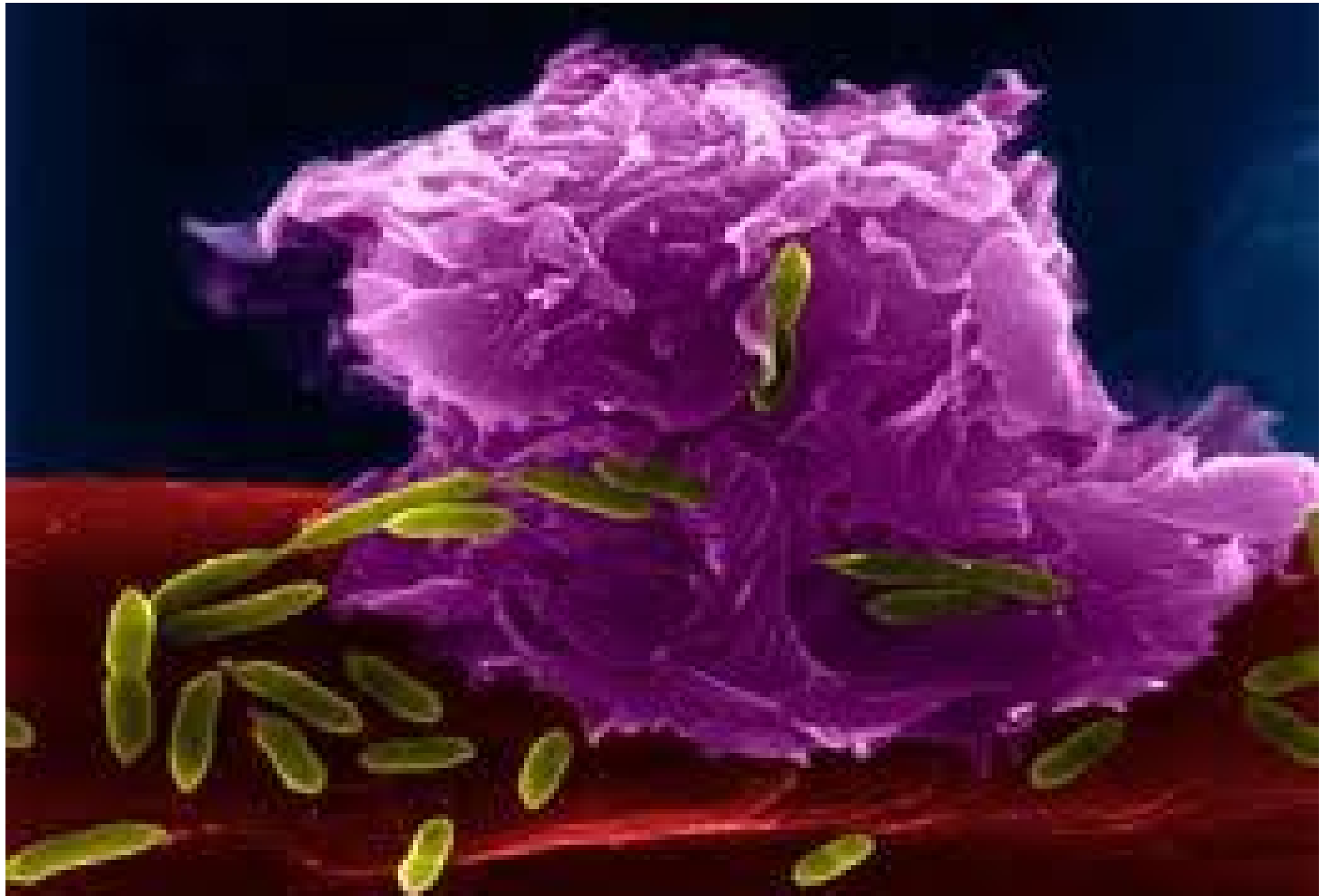


- Monocytes account for 4–8% of leukocytes
 - They are the largest leukocytes
 - They have abundant pale-blue cytoplasm
 - They have purple-staining, **U- or kidney-shaped nuclei**
 - **They leave the circulation, enter tissue, and differentiate into macrophages and dendritic cells**

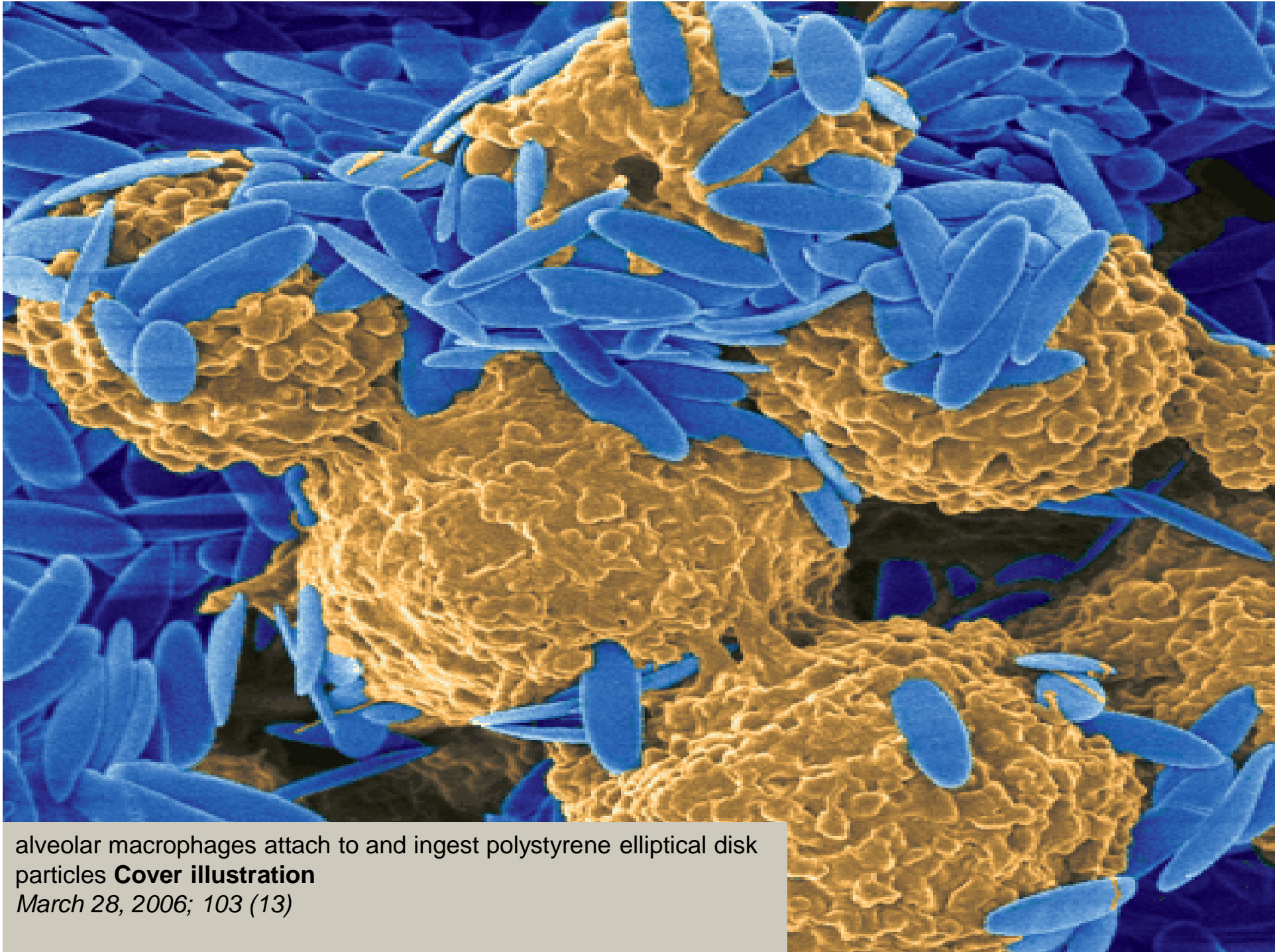
Macrophages

- Macrophages:
 - Are highly mobile and actively phagocytic
 - Activate lymphocytes to mount an immune response
 - Will have different names depending on the location

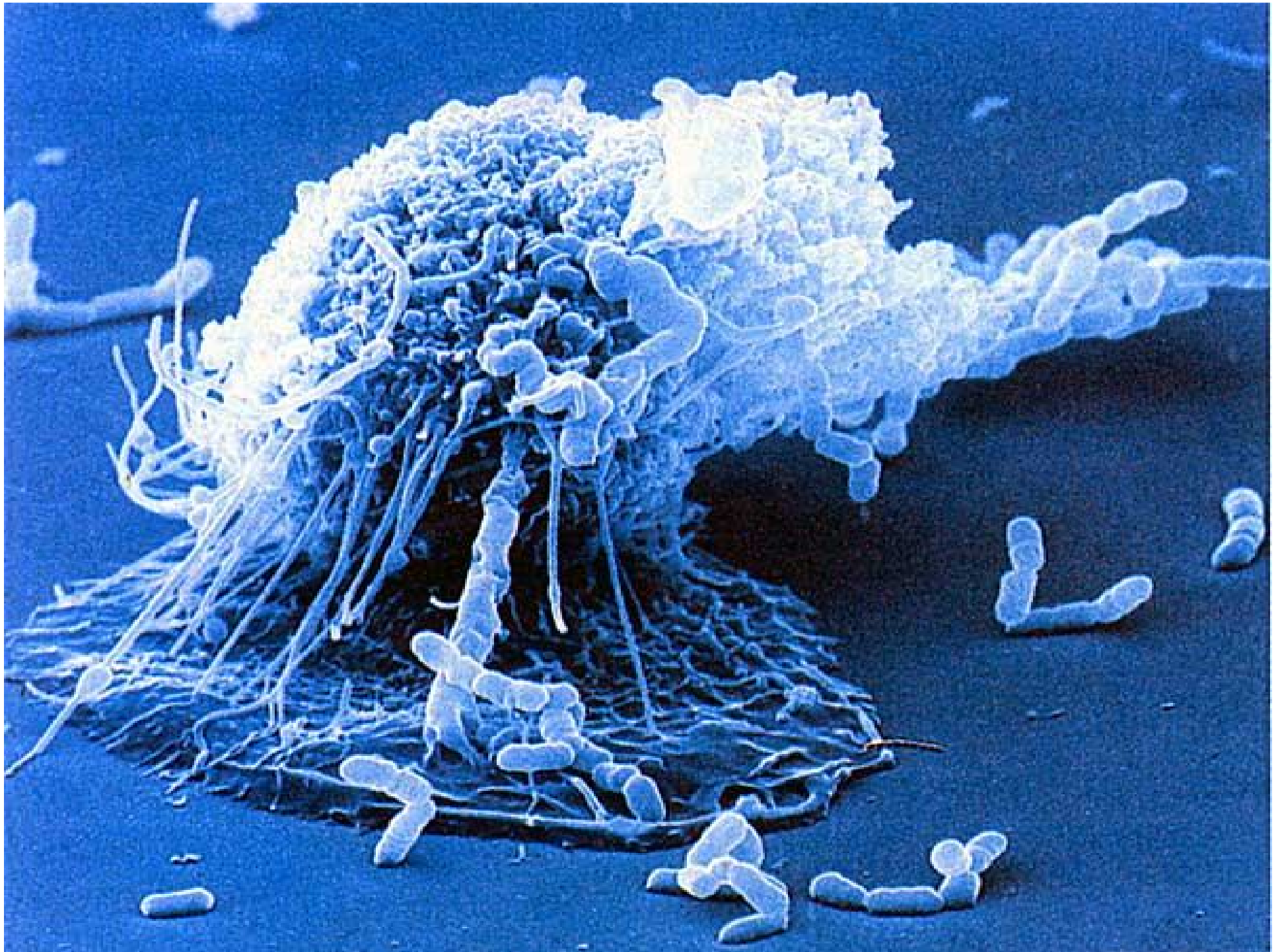




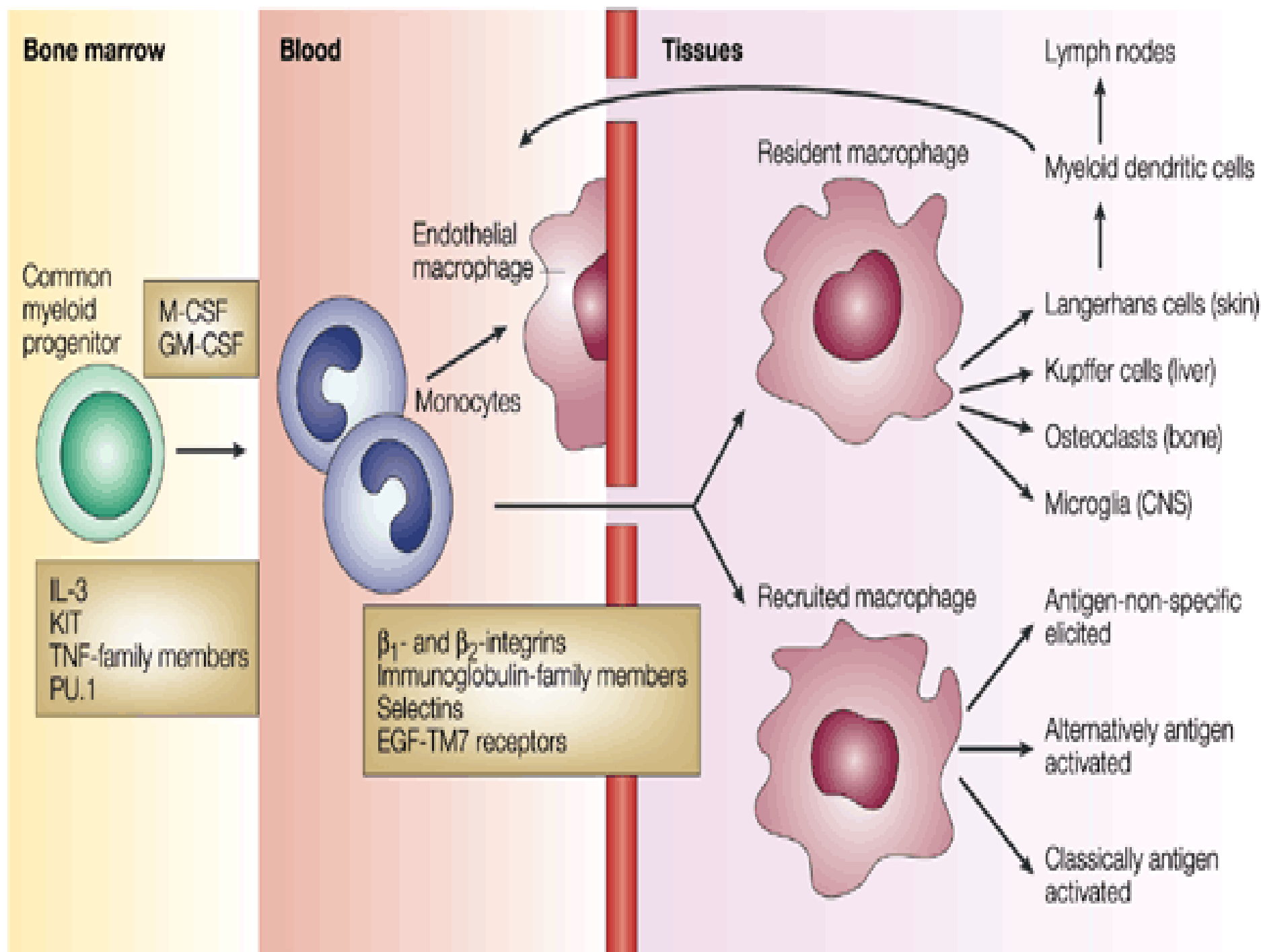
An activated macrophage phagocytosing bacteria upon contact
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alveolar macrophages attach to and ingest polystyrene elliptical disk particles **Cover illustration**
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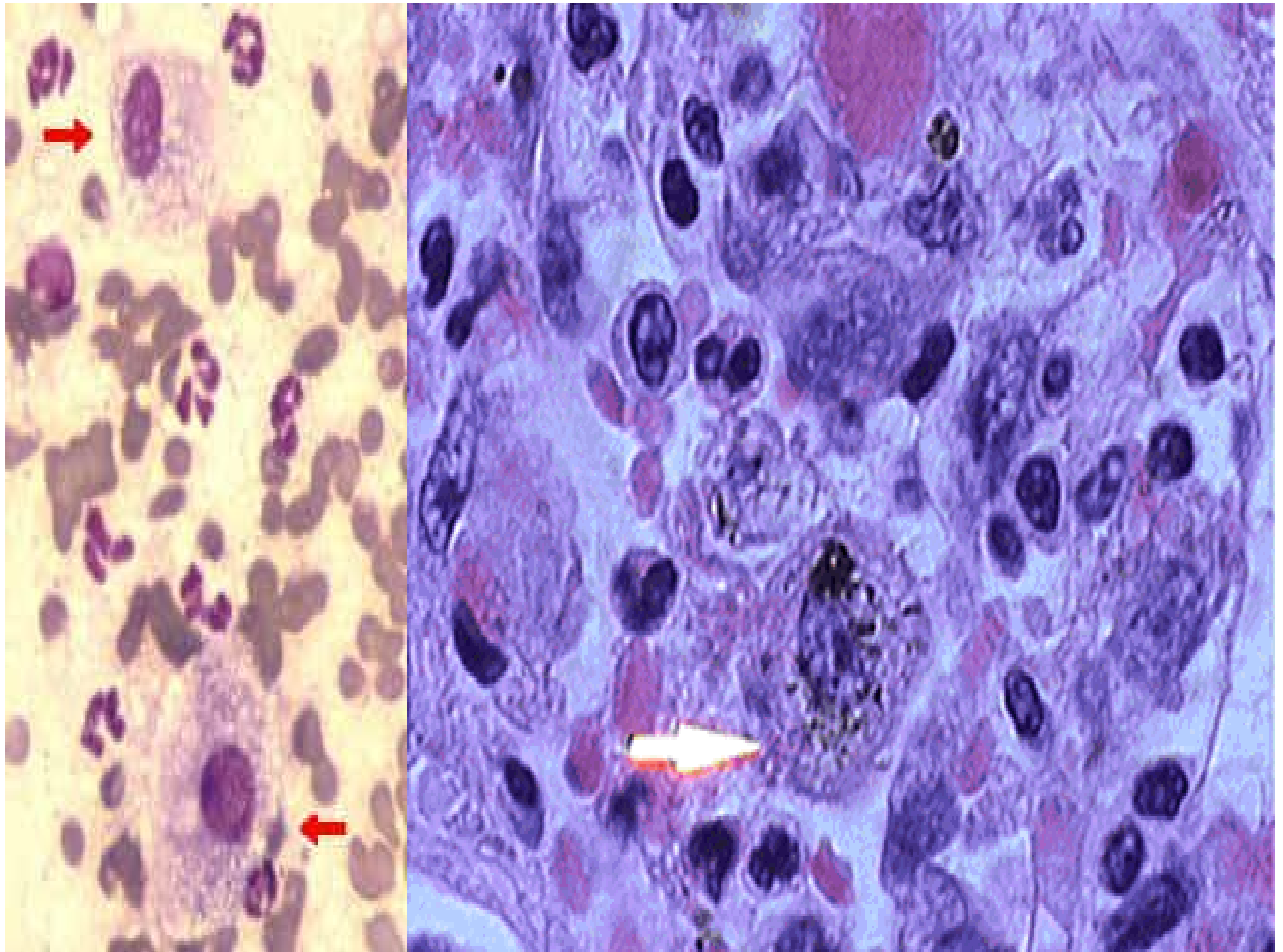
- Normal macrophages include macrophages located in tissues that include:
 - connective tissue –histiocytes
 - liver sinusoids – Kupffer's cells
 - lung – alveolar macrophages
 - lymph nodes – free and fixed macrophages
 - spleen – free and fixed macrophages
 - bone marrow – fixed macrophages
 - serous fluids –pleural and peritoneal macrophages
 - skin – histiocytes, Langerhans's cell

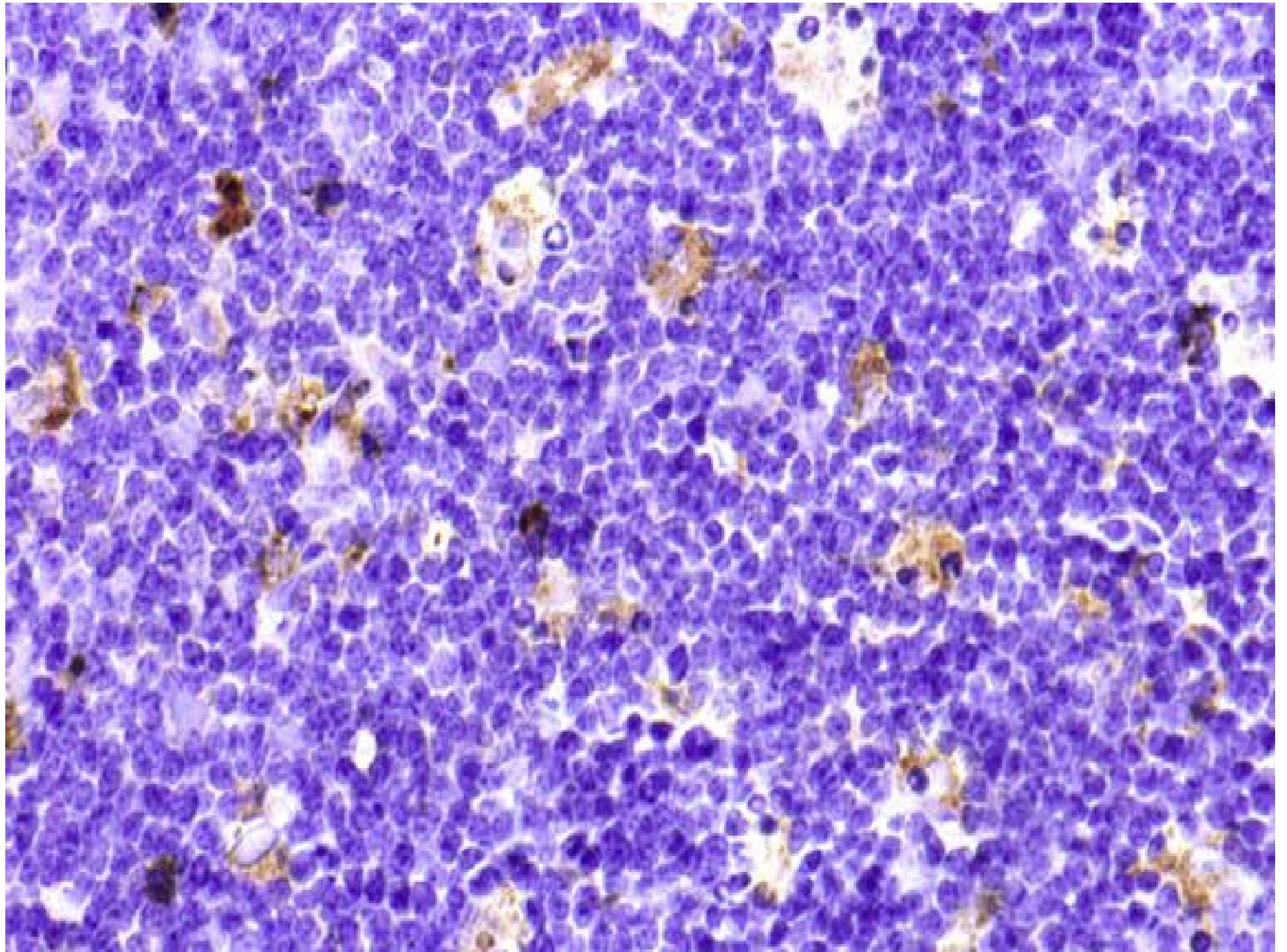


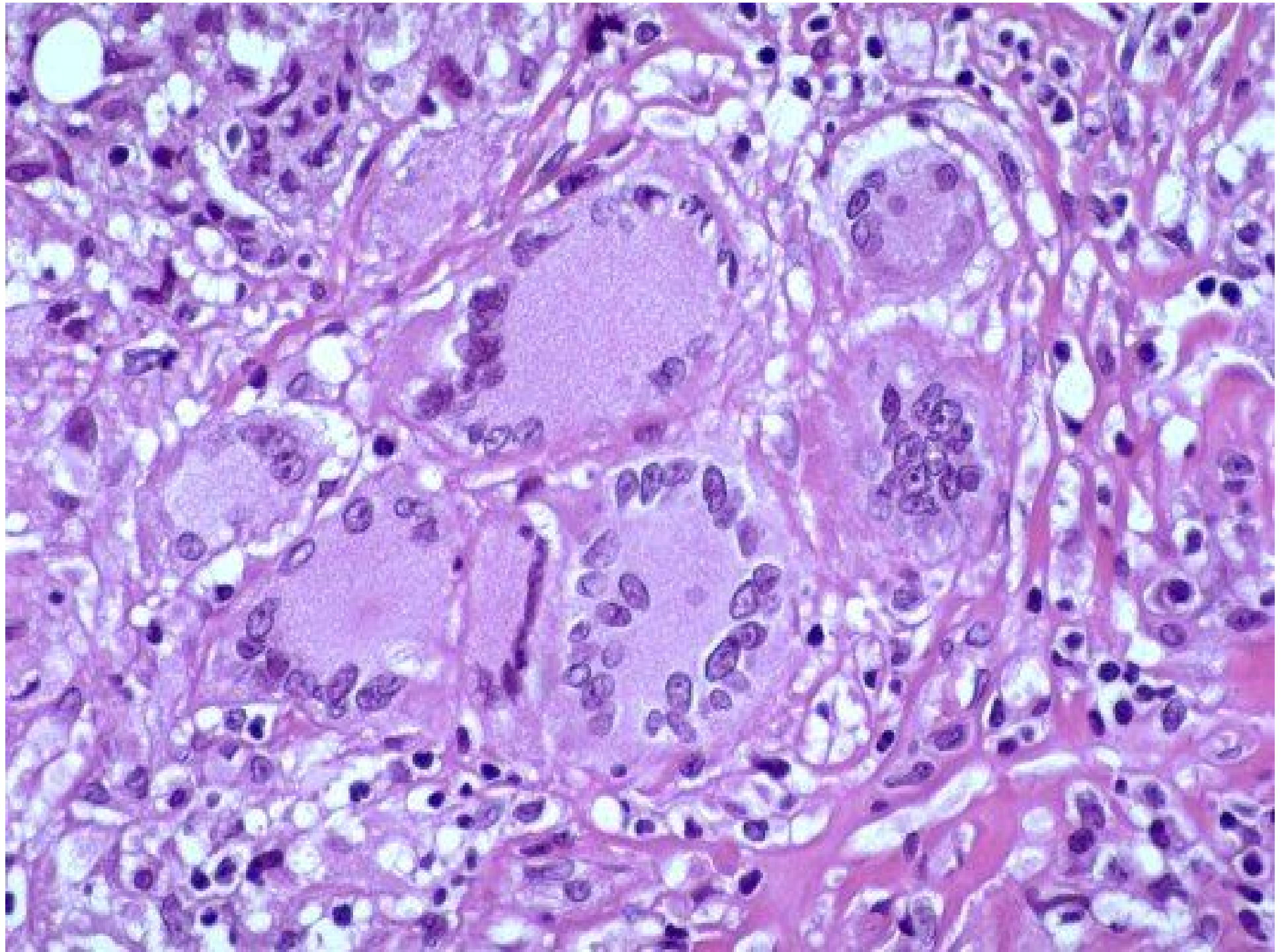
Alveolar macrophages
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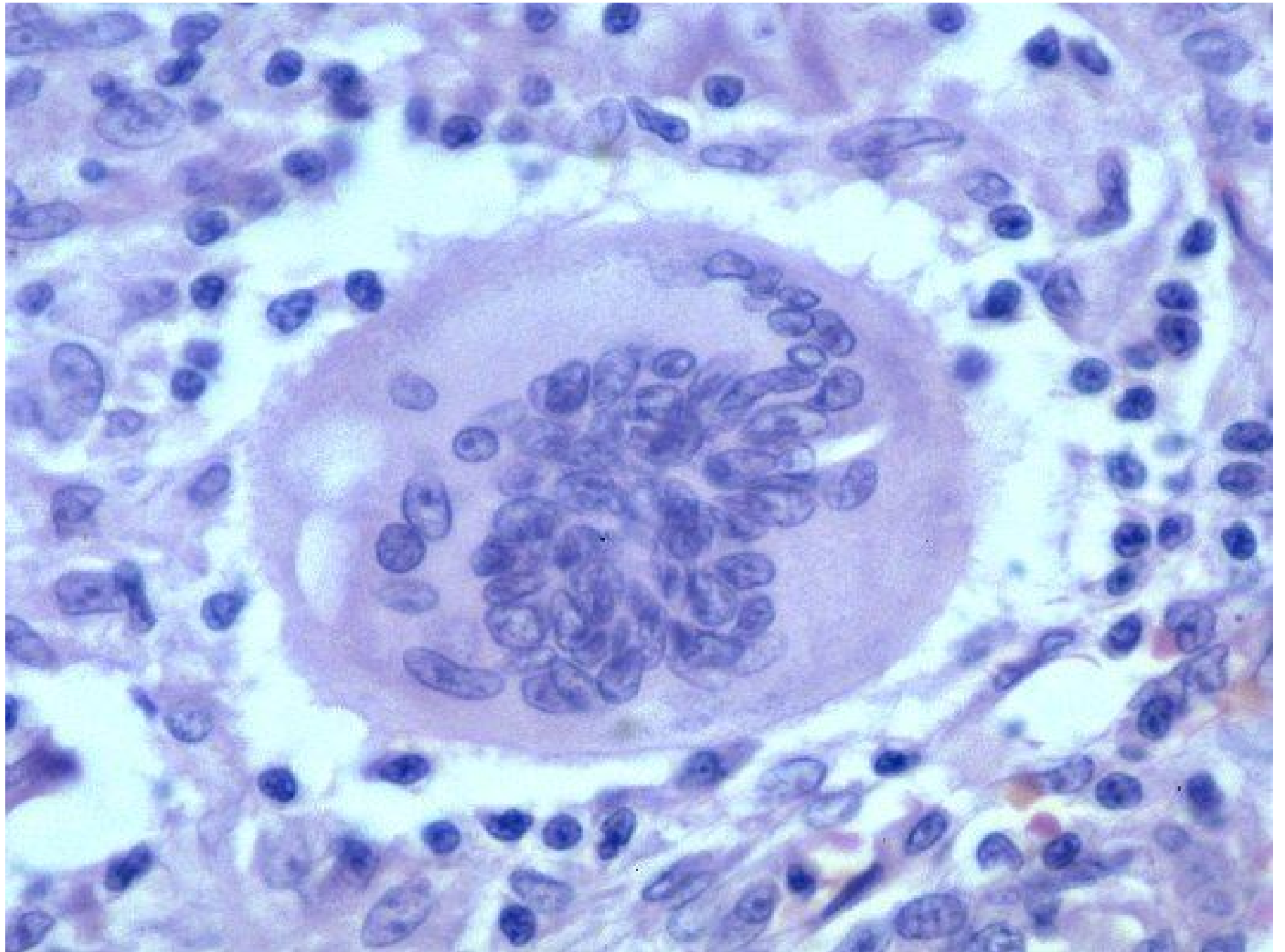


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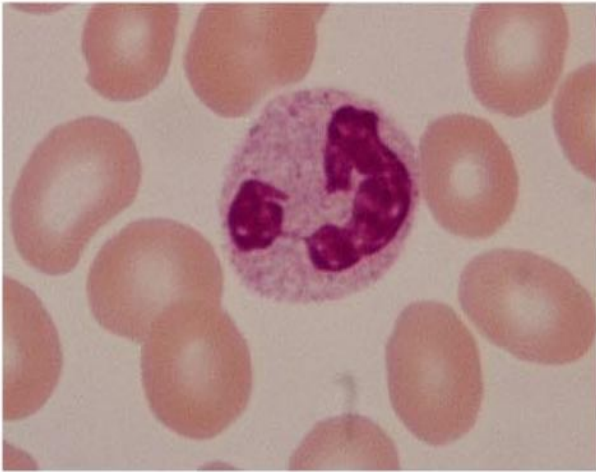




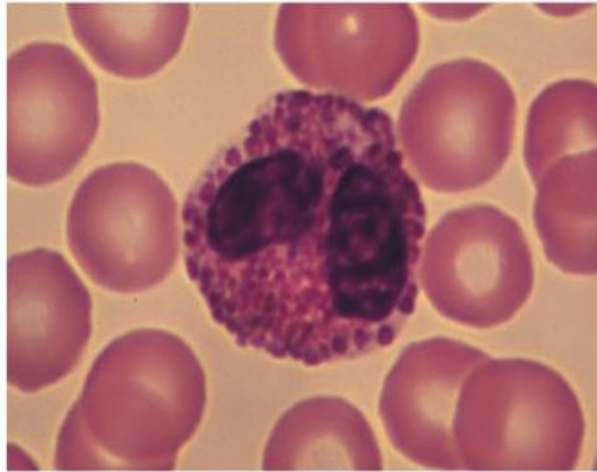




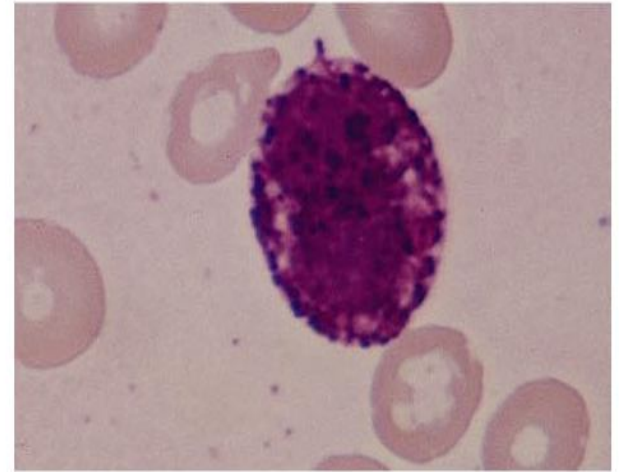
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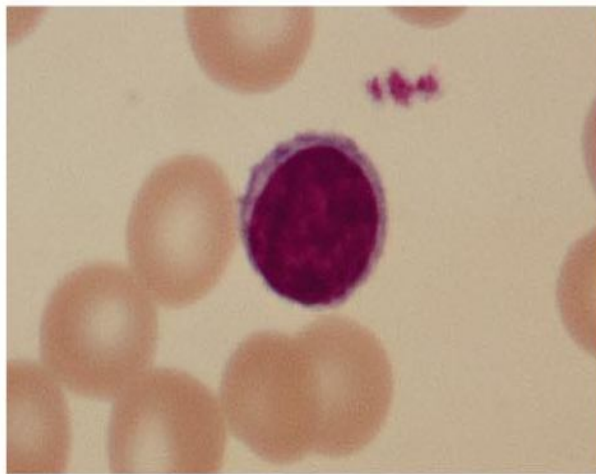
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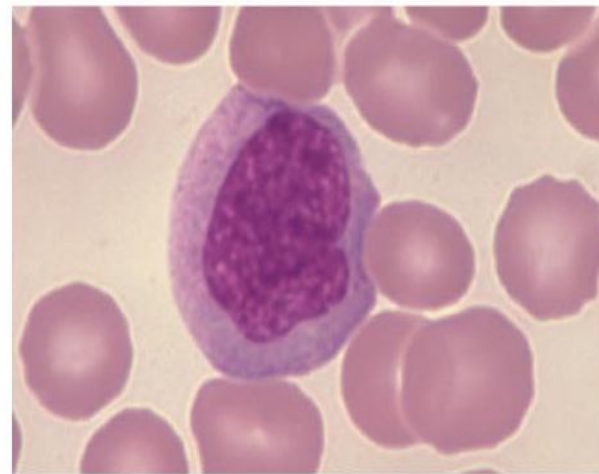
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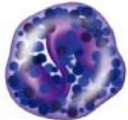
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Summary of Formed Elements




TABLE 17.2 Summary of Formed Elements of the Blood

CELL TYPE	ILLUSTRATION	DESCRIPTION*	CELLS/ μl (mm^3) OF BLOOD	DURATION OF DEVELOPMENT (D) AND LIFE SPAN (LS)	FUNCTION
Erythrocytes (red blood cells, RBCs)		Biconcave, anucleate disc; salmon-colored; diameter 7–8 μm	4–6 million	D: about 15 days LS: 100–120 days	Transport oxygen and carbon dioxide
Leukocytes (white blood cells, WBCs)		Spherical, nucleated cells	4800–10,800		
Granulocytes					
▪ Neutrophil		Nucleus multilobed; inconspicuous cytoplasmic granules; diameter 10–12 μm	3000–7000	D: about 14 days LS: 6 hours to a few days	Phagocytize bacteria
▪ Eosinophil		Nucleus bilobed; red cytoplasmic granules; diameter 10–14 μm	100–400	D: about 14 days LS: about 5 days	Kill parasitic worms; destroy antigen-antibody complexes; inactivate some inflammatory chemicals of allergy
▪ Basophil		Nucleus lobed; large purplish-black cytoplasmic granules; diameter 10–14 μm	20–50	D: 1–7 days LS: a few hours to a few days	Release histamine and other mediators of inflammation; contain heparin, an anticoagulant

*Appearance when stained with Wright's stain.

Summary of Formed Elements

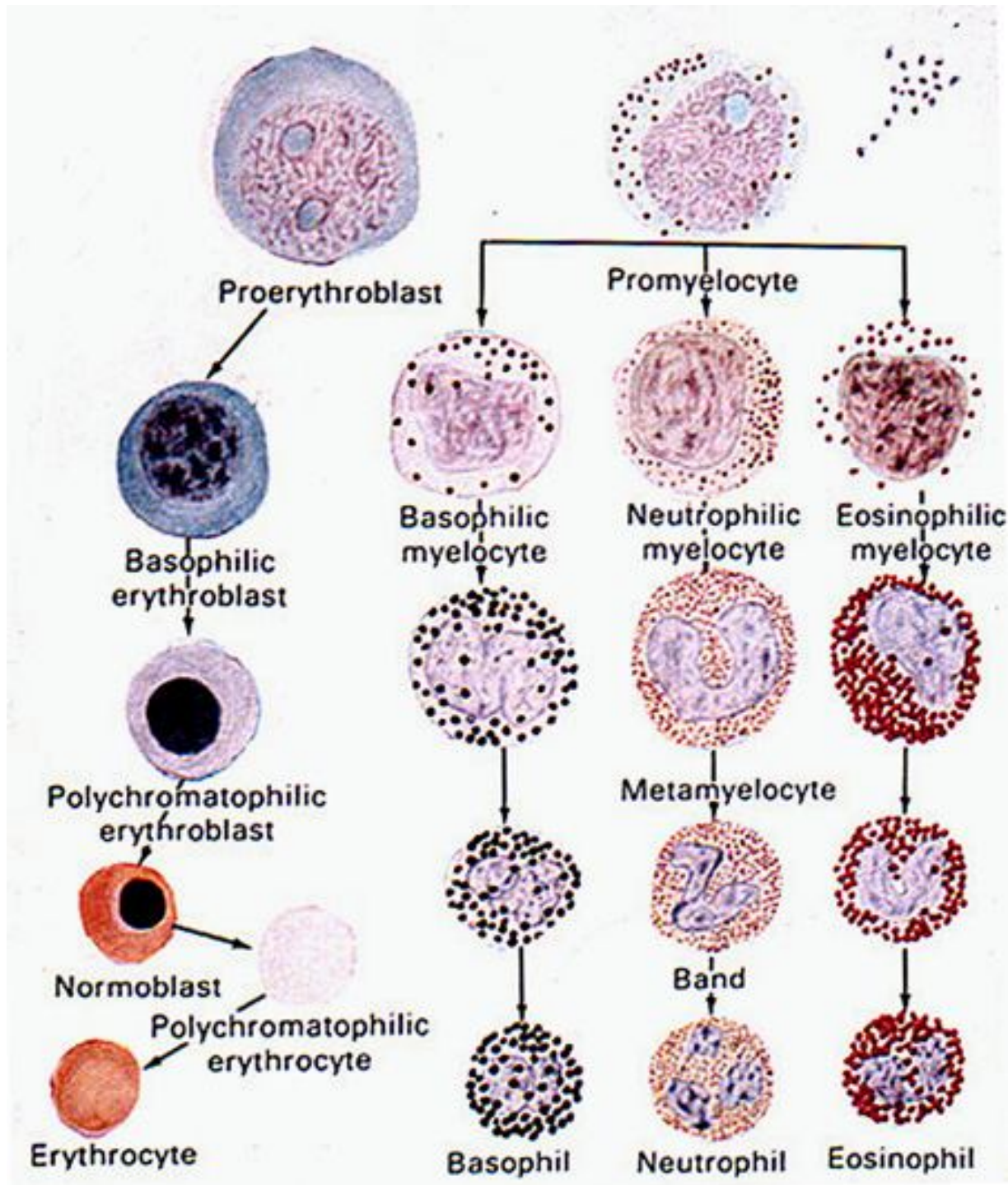
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Leukocytes (white blood cells, WBCs)		Spherical, nucleated cells	4800–10,800		
Agranulocytes					
▪ Lymphocyte		Nucleus spherical or indented; pale blue cytoplasm; diameter 5–17 μm	1500–3000	D: days to weeks LS: hours to years	Mount immune response by direct cell attack or via antibodies
▪ Monocyte		Nucleus U or kidney shaped; gray-blue cytoplasm; diameter 14–24 μm	100–700	D: 2–3 days LS: months	Phagocytosis; develop into macrophages in the tissues
Platelets		Discoid cytoplasmic fragments containing granules; stain deep purple; diameter 2–4 μm	150,000–400,000	D: 4–5 days LS: 5–10 days	Seal small tears in blood vessels; instrumental in blood clotting

*Appearance when stained with Wright's stain.

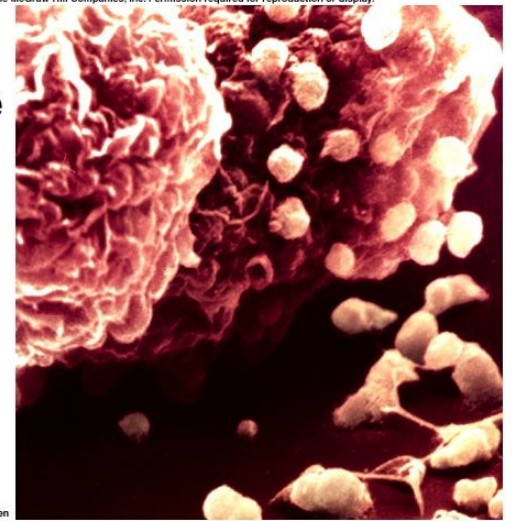
Production of Leukocytes

- **Leukopoiesis is stimulated by interleukins and colony-stimulating factors (CSFs)**
 - Interleukins are numbered (e.g., IL-1, IL-2), whereas CSFs are named for the WBCs they stimulate (e.g., granulocyte-CSF stimulates granulocytes)
- **Macrophages and T cells are the most important sources of cytokines**
- Many hematopoietic hormones are used clinically to stimulate bone marrow



Mast cell Releases Histamine Granules

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Formation of Leukocytes

- All leukocytes originate from **hemocytoblasts**
- Hemocytoblasts differentiate into myeloid stem cells and lymphoid stem cells
- Myeloid stem cells become myeloblasts or monoblasts
- Lymphoid stem cells become lymphoblasts
- Myeloblasts develop into eosinophils, neutrophils, and basophils
- Monoblasts develop into monocytes
- Lymphoblasts develop into lymphocytes

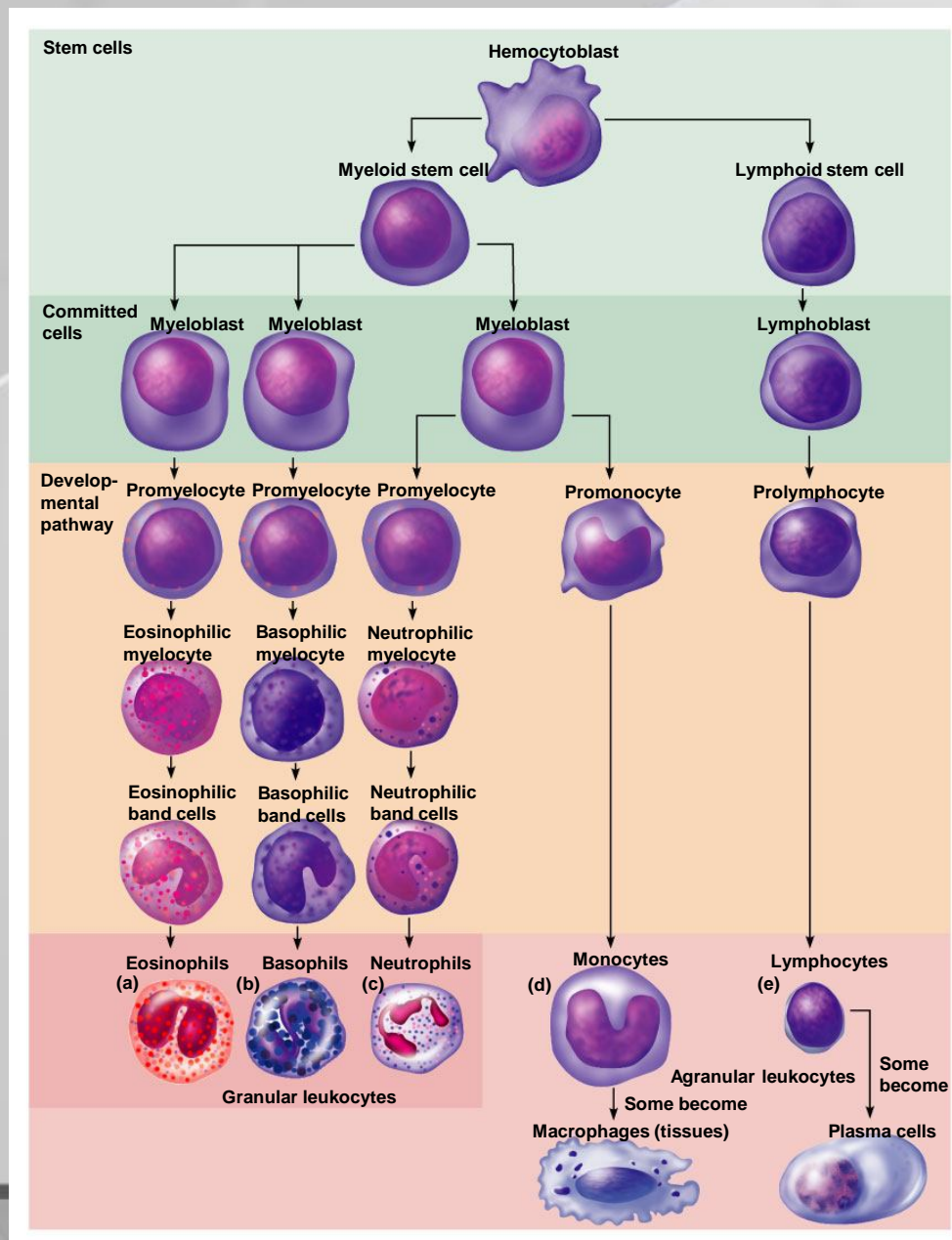
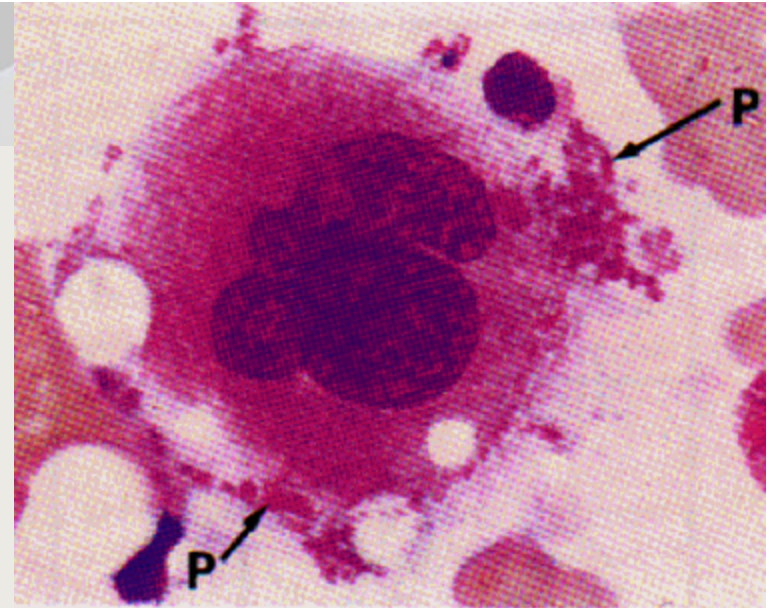


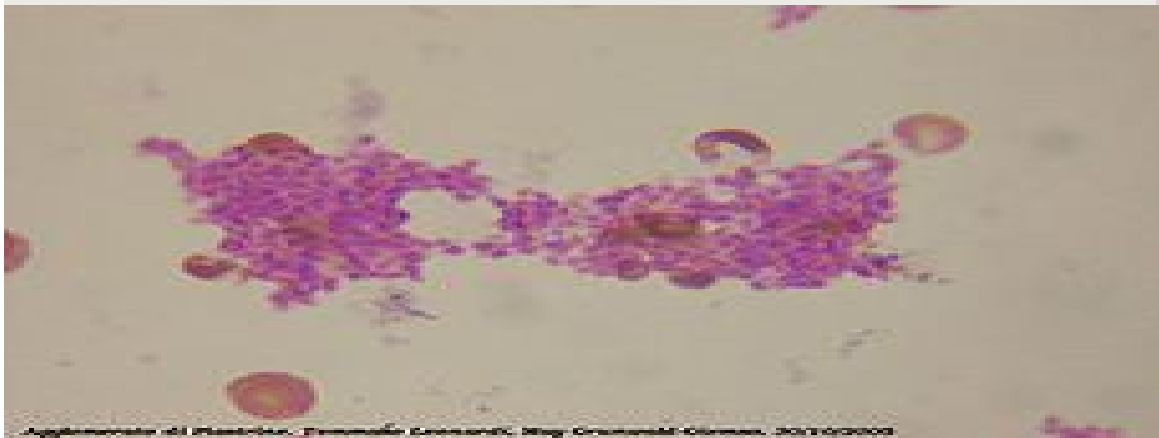
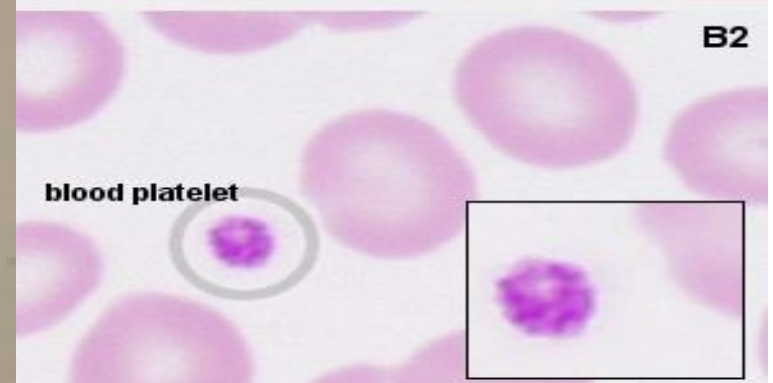
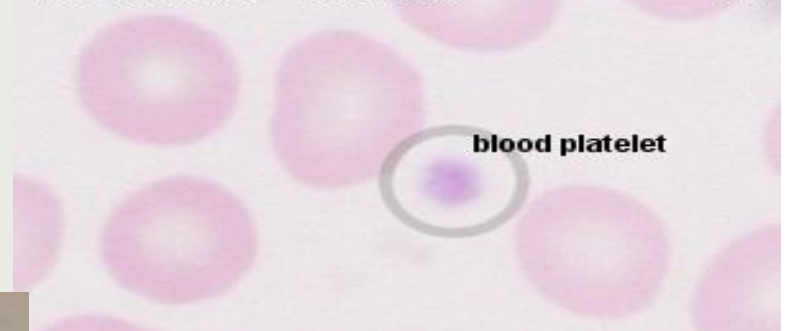
Figure 17.11

Platelets

- Platelets are fragments of **megakaryocytes** with a blue-staining outer region and a purple granular center
- Their granules contain
 - serotonin, Ca^{2+} ,
 - enzymes, ADP,
 - and platelet-derived growth factor (PDGF)
- Platelets function in **the clotting** mechanism by forming a temporary plug that helps seal breaks in blood vessels
- **Platelets not involved in clotting are kept inactive by NO and prostacyclin**

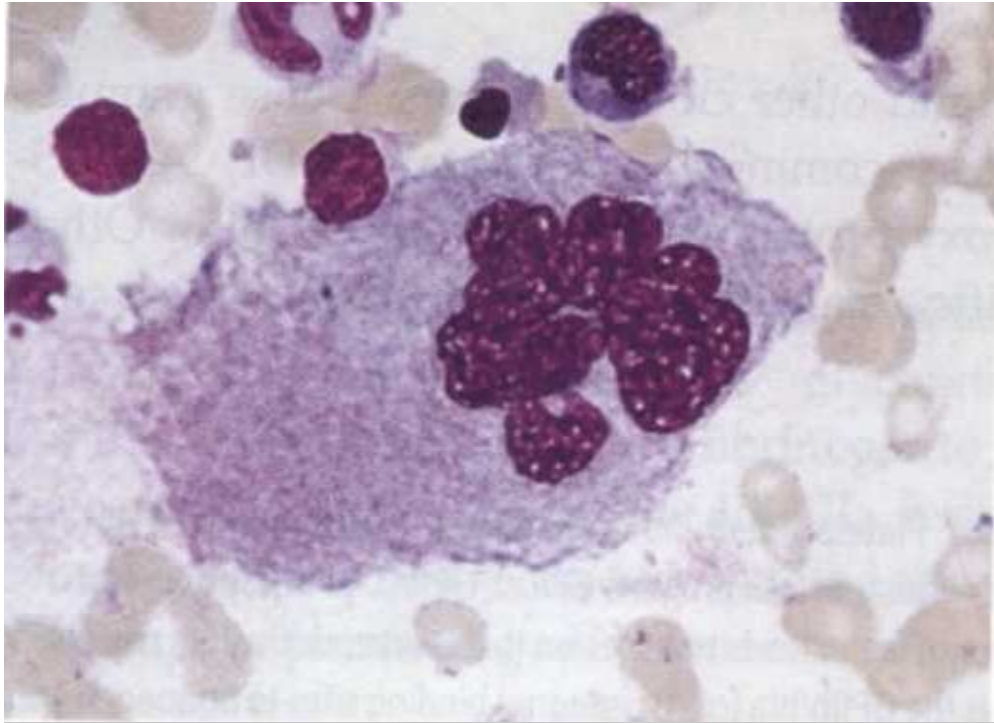


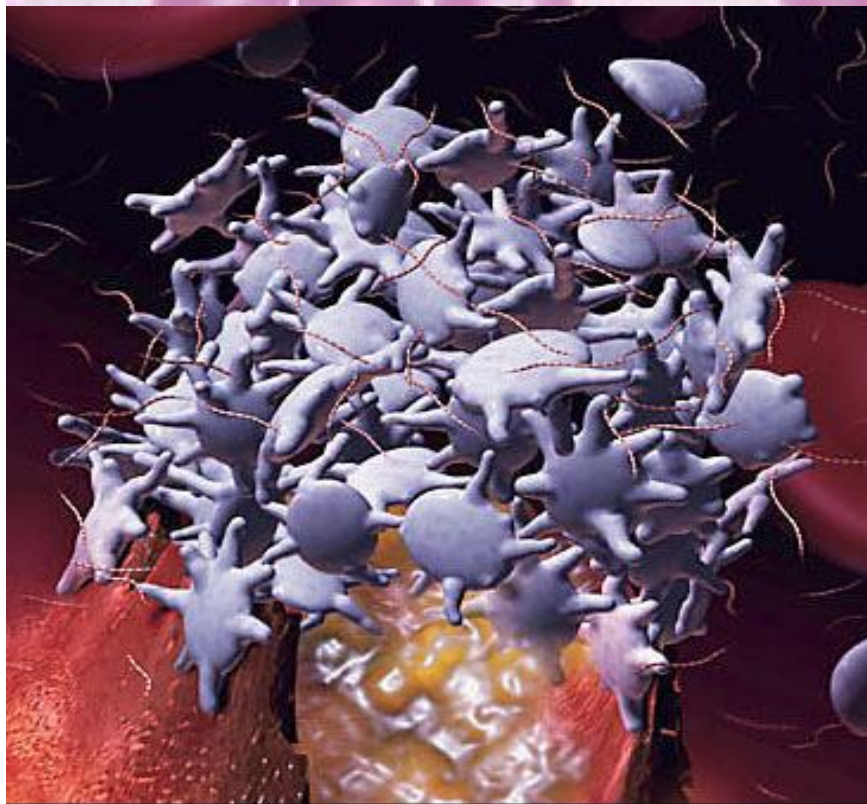
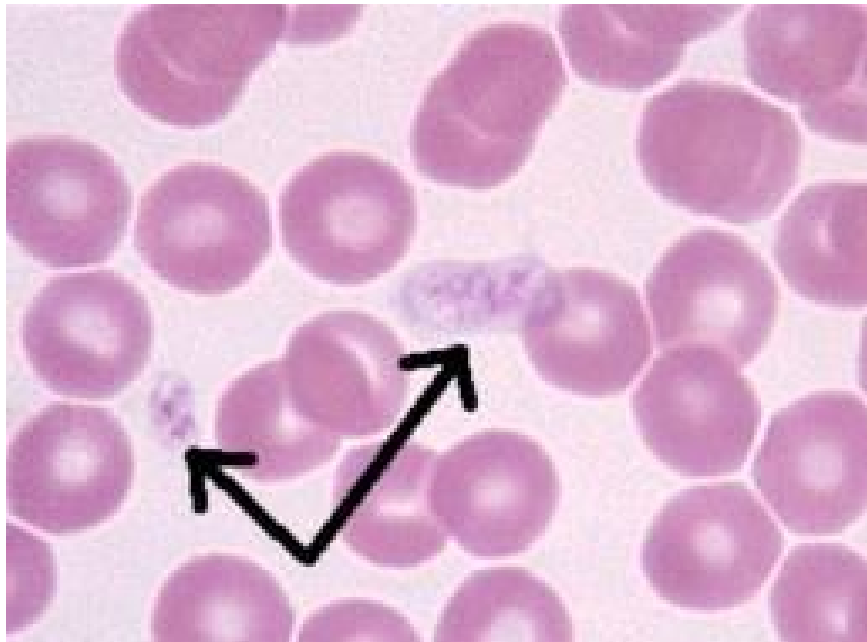
Megakaryocytes and platelet formation
Blood Smear - Leishman B1



PLATELET FUNCTION STUDIES

- Bleeding Time
- Platelet Count
- Platelet Aggregation Studies





Cytoplasm includes active proteins such as:

- Actin.
- Myosin.
- Thrombesthenin.

- The normal concentration of platelets in the blood is between 150,000 and 300,000 per microliter.
- do not have nuclei and cannot reproduce .

In their cytoplasm are **such active factors** as

- (1) **actin and myosin** molecules,
 - as well as still another **contractile protein, thrombosthenin, that can cause the platelets to contract;**
- (2) residuals of both the endoplasmic reticulum and the Golgi apparatus that synthesize various enzymes and store large quantities of calcium ions;
- (3) mitochondria and enzyme systems that are capable of forming ATP and ADP;
- (4) enzyme systems that synthesize prostaglandins, which are local hormones that cause many types of vascular and other local tissue reactions;
- (5) fibrin-stabilizing factor;
- (6) a growth factor that can cause vascular endothelial cells, vascular smooth muscle cells, and fibroblasts to multiply and grow, thus causing cellular growth that helps repair damaged vascular walls.

- The cell membrane of the platelets is also important.
- On its surface is a coat of **glycoproteins** that causes it to **avoid adherence to normal endothelium and yet to adhere to injured areas of the vessel wall**, especially to injured endothelial cells and even more so to any exposed collagen from deeper in the vessel wall.
- In addition, the membrane contains large amounts of phospholipids that play several activating roles at multiple points in the blood-clotting process.



Thrombopoietin:

- Regulator of platelet production.
- Produced by the liver and kidneys.
- Levels are increased in thrombocytopenia, and reduced in thrombocytosis.
- It increases the no. & rate of maturation of the megakaryocytes.

Functions of platelets

- Platelets assist in **hemostasis, the arrest of bleeding**.
- Serotonin is a potent vasoconstrictor.
- The release of serotonin from thrombocytes, which adhere to the walls of a damaged vessels, is sufficient to close even small arteries.
- Platelets, which come into contact with collagenous fibers in the walls of the vessel (which are not usually exposed to the blood stream), swell, become "sticky" and activate other platelets to undergo the same transformation.
- This cascade of events results in the formation of a platelet plug (or platelet thrombus). Finally, activating substances are released from the damaged vessel walls and from the platelets.
- These substances mediate the conversion of the plasma protein prothrombin into thrombin.
- Thrombin catalyzes the conversion of fibrinogen into fibrin, which polymerizes into fibrils and forms a fibrous net in the arising blood clot.
- Platelets captured in the fibrin net contract leading to clot retraction, which further assists in hemostasis.

Genesis of Platelets

- The stem cell for platelets is the **hemocytoblast**
- The sequential developmental pathway is as shown.

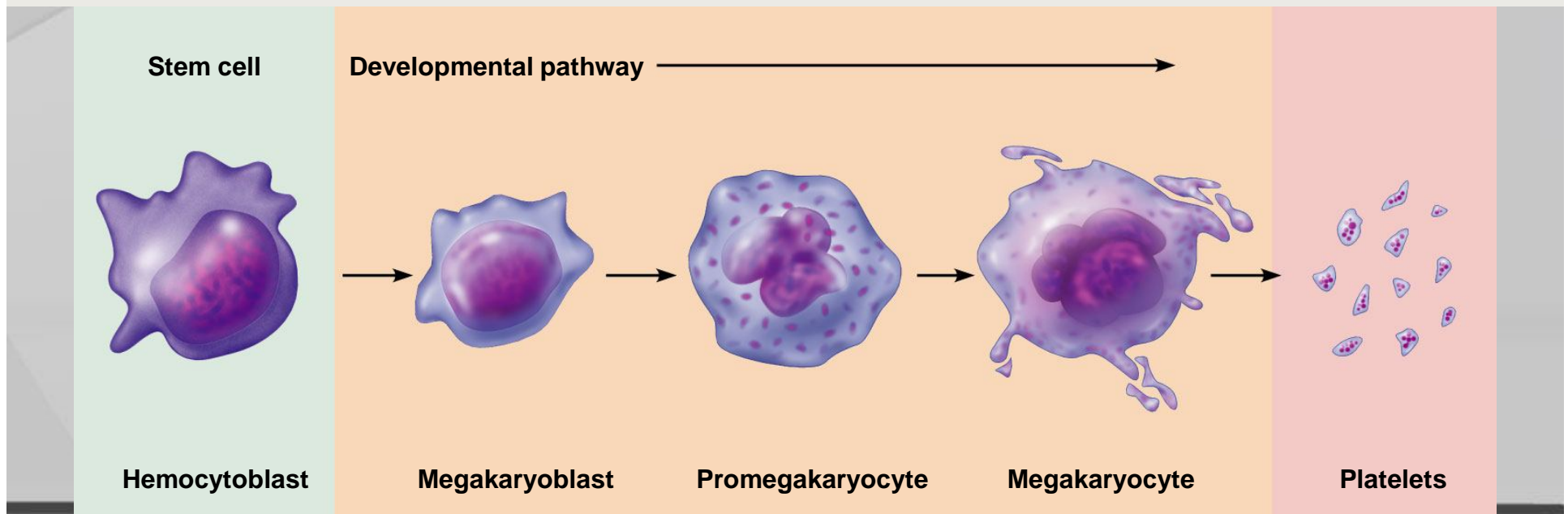


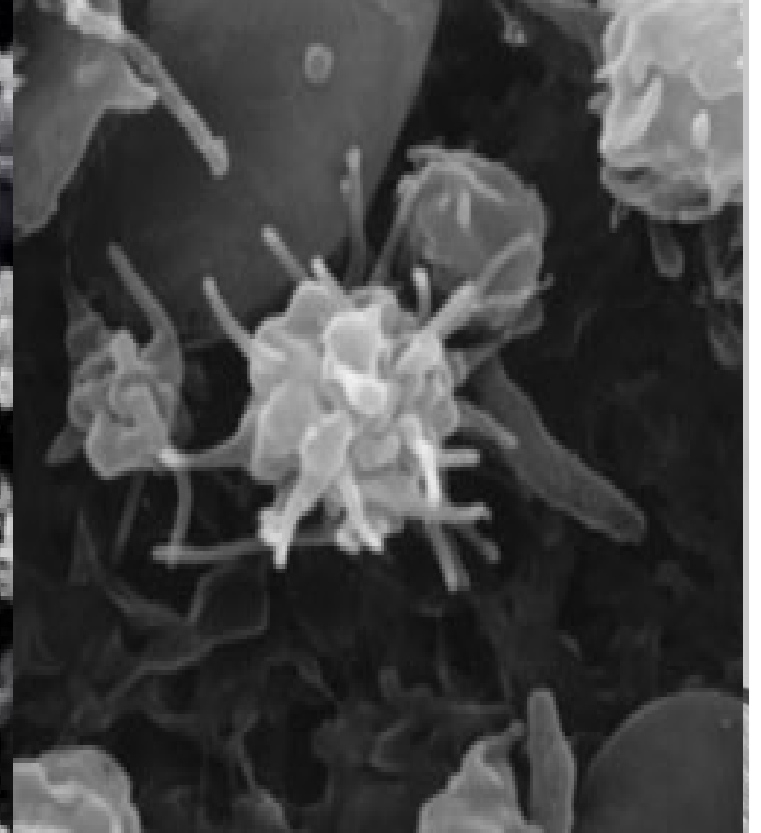
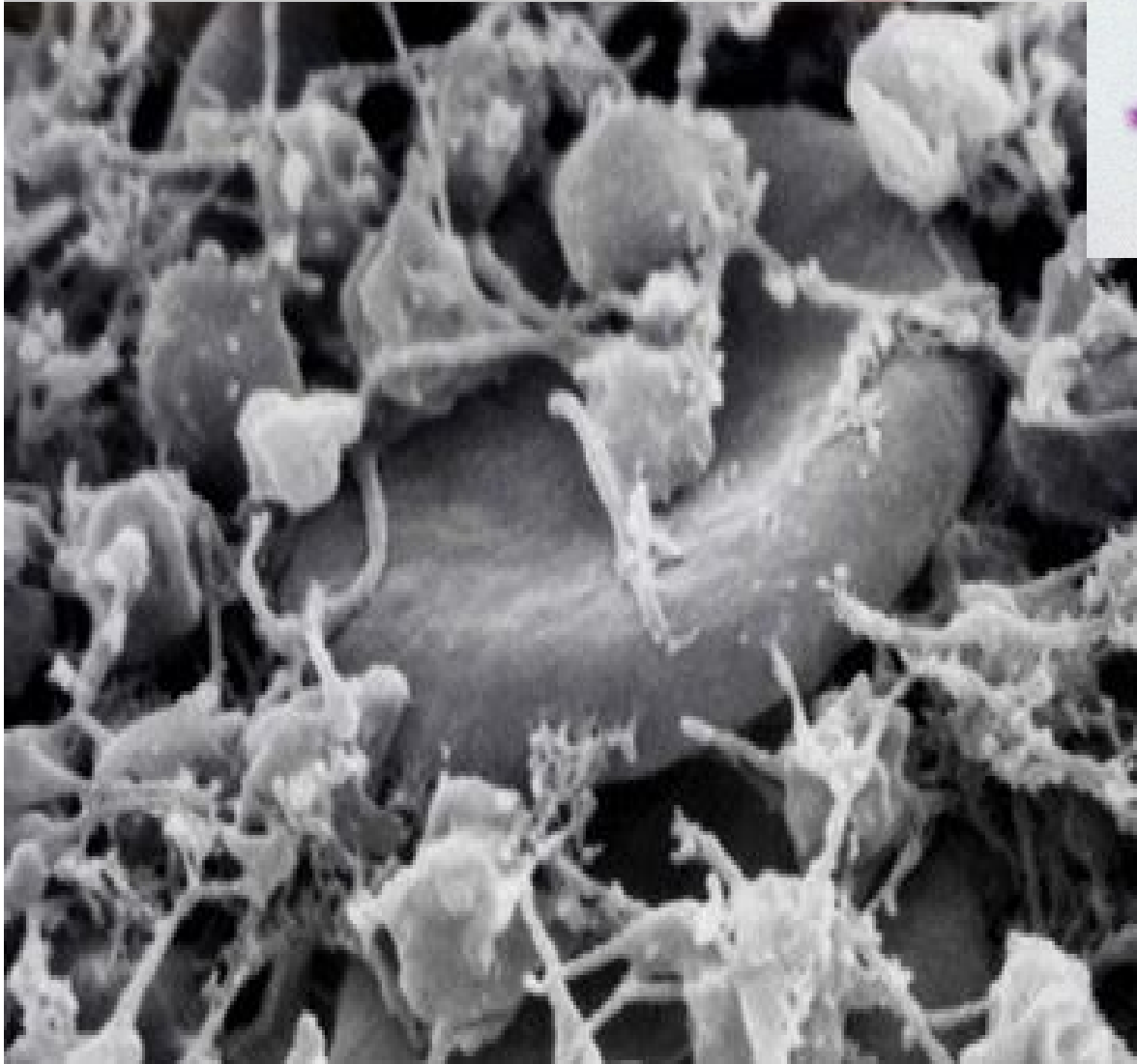
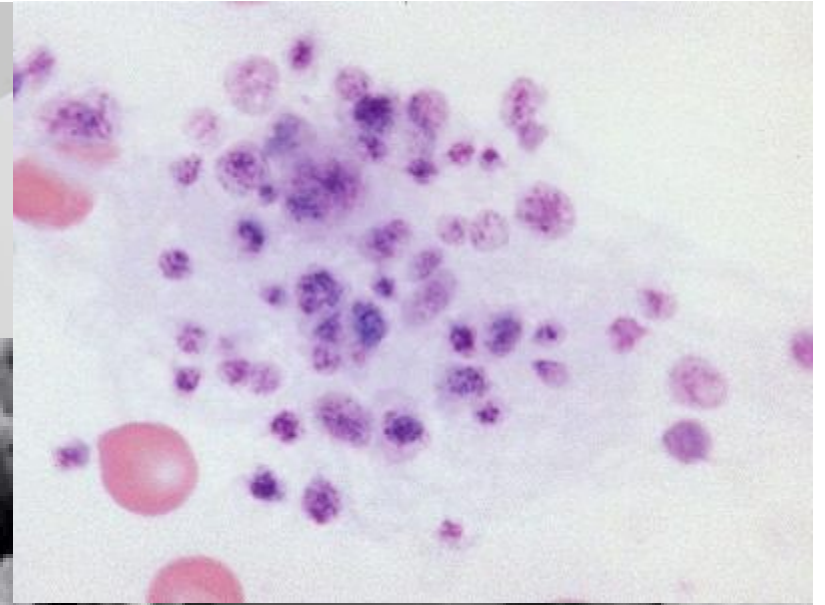
Figure 17.12

PLATELET CIRCULATION

- ❖ Normal count is 250,000.
- ❖ Normal life span 7-10 days.
- ❖ About 1/3 are trapped in the spleen.



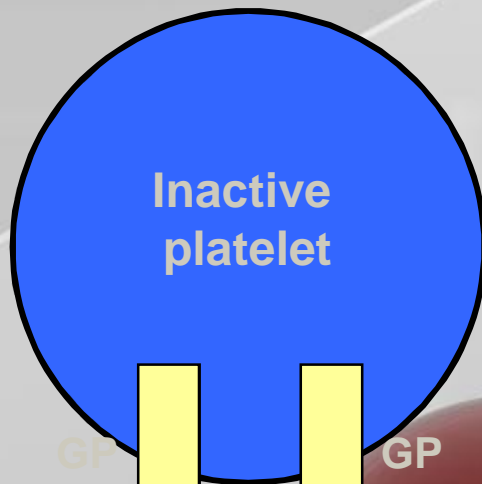
Activated platelets



Platelet adhesion:
Binding to collagen



Platelet activation:
Release of contents,
surface receptor expression



Collagen fibrils

