

#### Ch. 16: Nonspecific Host Defenses

**OBJECTIVES:** Students should be able to: .....

- <u>Ch. 16:</u> Listing examples, explain how <u>mechanical</u>, <u>chemical</u>, and <u>microbiotal</u> barriers protect a host animal. \*\* Define the function of each <u>granulocyte</u>!
- Describe the sequence of events that lead to <u>inflammation</u> and/or <u>fever</u>, and how these processes protect a host from infection.
- Compare and contrast how <u>Complement</u> protects a host from bacteria, and how <u>Interferons</u> protect a host from viral infection. Describe 3 major effects of <u>complement</u> activation, and 3 effects of <u>interferon</u> production.
  - \* Objectives are your HOMEWORK between classes!!! \*\*Read, Review, Draw!!

# Chapter 16 Nonspecific Defenses of the Host



# Nonspecific Defenses of the Host

- 1. <u>Susceptibility</u> = Lack of resistance to a disease.
- 2. <u>Resistance</u> = Ability to ward off disease.
- 3. <u>Nonspecific resistance</u> = Defenses against any

pathogen.

Specific resistance = Immunity, resistance to a specific pathogen.

Host Defenses Figure 16.1		
Innate (Nonspecific) Immunity		Adaptive (Acquired) Immunity (Chapter 17)
First line of defense	Second line of defense	Third line of defense
<ul> <li>Intact skin</li> <li>Mucous membranes and their secretions</li> <li>Normal microbiota</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Natural killer cells and phagocytic white blood cells</li> <li>Inflammation</li> <li>Fever</li> <li>Antimicrobial substances</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Specialized lymphocytes: T cells and B cells</li> <li>Antibodies</li> </ul>
BARRIERS NONSPECIFIC ATTACK SPECIFIC ATTACK		



# **16.2) Chemical Factors**

- 1. Fungistatic fatty acid in sebum
- 2. Low pH (3-5) of skin, vaginal secretions
- **3.** <u>Lysozyme</u> in perspiration, tears, saliva, urine, and tissue fluids
- 4. Low pH (1.2-3.0) of gastric juice (HCI)
- 5. <u>Transferrins</u> in blood find & bind iron
- 6. NO (nitrous oxide) inhibits ATP production



<u>Microbial antagonism</u> / competitive exclusion:
 – Normal microbiota compete with pathogens.



#### **Formed Elements In Blood** 16,4) Formed Elements in Blood I. Erythrocytes (Red Blood Cells) 4.8–5.4 million per $\mu$ L or mm<sup>3</sup> Function: Transport of O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> **Differential White** LM Η 4 μm **Cell Count** II. Leukocytes (White Blood Cells) 5000-10,000 per µL or mm<sup>3</sup> • Percentage of each type of white cell A. Granulocytes (stained) 1. Neutrophils (PMNs) (60-70% of leukocytes) in a sample of 100 white blood cells Function: Phagocytosis Neutrophils, PMNs 60-70% 2. Basophils (0.5–1%) Function: Production of 0.5-1% **Basophils** histamine **Eosinophils** 2-4% LM ⊢ ∃µm Monocytes 3-8% 3. Eosinophils (2-4%) Functions: Production of toxic Lymphocytes 20-25% proteins against certain parasites; some phagocytosis







### 16.5) Inflammation

- 1. Redness rubor [latin]
- 2. Pain dolor
- 3. Heat calor
- 4. Swelling (edema) tumor
- 5. Acute-phase proteins activated (complement, cytokine, kinins)
- 6. Vasodilation (histamine, kinins, prostaglandins, leukotrienes)
- 7. Margination and emigration of WBCs
  - **Diapedesis** leave BV and enter tissues
- 8. Tissue repair

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### Chemicals Released by Damaged Cells

Histamine	Vasodilation, increased permeability of blood vessels
• Kinins	Vasodilation, increased permeability of blood vessels
Prostaglandins	Intensify histamine and kinin effect
Leukotrienes	Increased permeability of blood vessels, phagocytic attachment



## 16.6) <u>Fever</u>: Abnormally High Body Temperature

- 1. Hypothalamus normally set at 37°C
  - Body's thermoregulatory center ("thermostat")
- 2. Gram-negative endotoxin cause phagocytes to release interleukin 1
- 3. Hypothalamus releases **prostaglandins** that reset the hypothalamus to a high temperature
- 4. Body increases rate of metabolism and shivering to raise temperature
- When IL-1 is eliminated, body temperature falls. (*Crisis* = turning point)

http://faculty.riohondo.edu/rbethel/videos/micro inflammation.swf

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### Some Bacteria Evade Complement

- 1. Capsules prevent C activation.
- 2. Surface lipid-carbohydrates prevent MAC formation.
  - Too long to reach PM surface!
- 3. Enzymatic digestion of C5a (C5a protease).

http://highered.mheducation.com/sites/0072507470/student\_view0/ch apter22/animation\_activation\_of\_complement.html

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• <u>Alpha IFN</u> & <u>Beta IFN</u>: Cause cells to produce antiviral proteins that inhibit viral replication.

 <u>Gamma IFN</u>: Causes neutrophils and macrophages to *phagocytize bacteria*.

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