

# **GENERAL ANATOMY OF THE IMMUNE SYSTEM**



## **THE IMMUNE SYSTEM**

**- A SYSTEM WHICH  
CONTROLS PRESERVE  
GENETIC INTEGRITY  
OF THE ORGANISM.**

**BODILY FUNCTIONS PROTECTION OF  
ANTIGENS CALLED IMMUNITY (FROM  
THE LATIN WORD IMMUNITAS -  
EXEMPTION ANYTHING) TO ENSURE  
THE SAFETY CONSTANT INTERNAL  
ENVIRONMENT AND DEFENSE  
REACTIONS.**

# IMMUNE SYSTEM GENERAL FUNCTIONS

## 1. Protection from pathogens

- Bacteria
- Viruses
- Fungi
- Protozoan
- Parasites such as hookworms, tapeworms
- Protect from non dangerous pathogens also
- Creates an allergic response

## 2. Clean up!

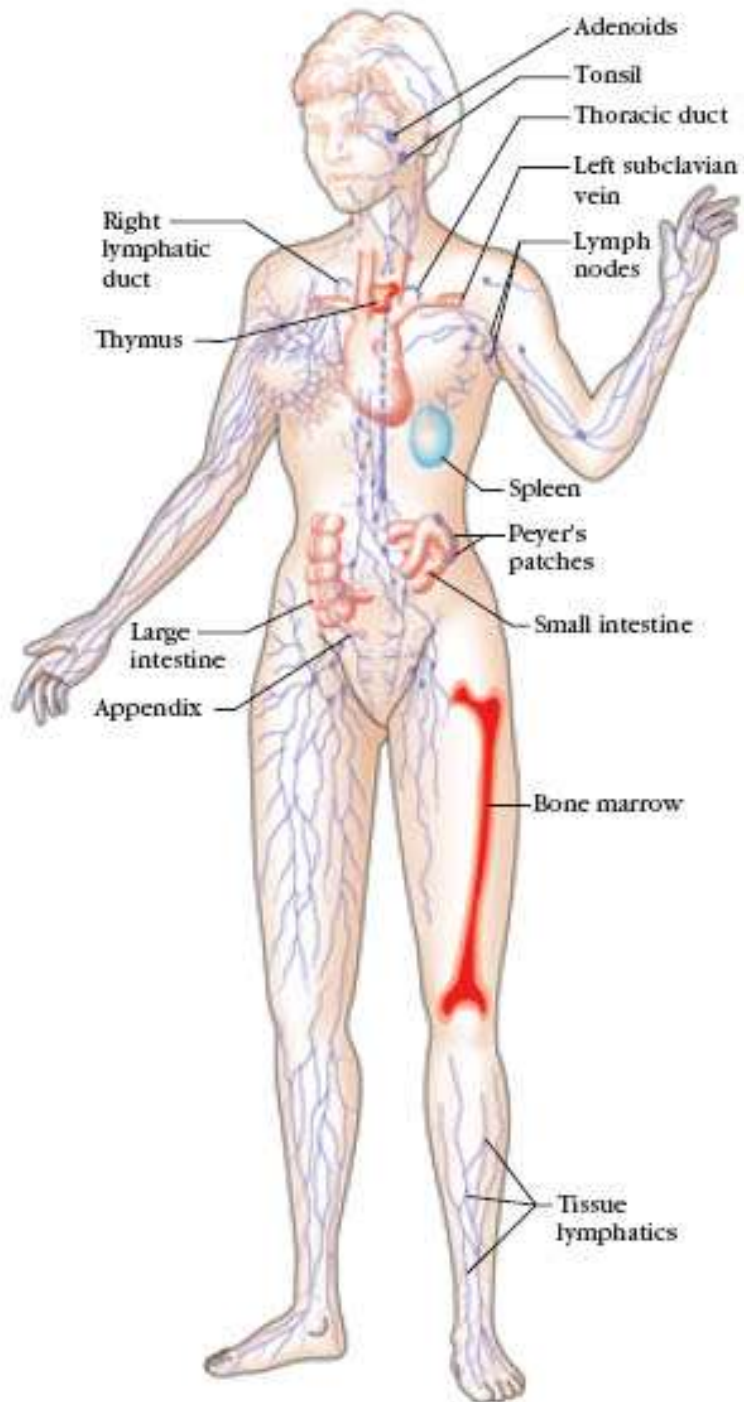
- Removal of dead and damaged cells and components

## 3. Recognition and removal of abnormal cells

- Cancers
- Autoimmune disorders

## 4. Produced immune cells, especially lymphocytes and plasma;

## 5. Provide recognition and destruction of cells that infiltrated the body of therein and other substances that have signs of genetic strange information.



**ACCORDING TO  
FUNCTIONS**

**IMMUNE ORGANS**

**ARE DIVIDED**

**INTO:**

- **CENTRAL**
- **PERIPHERAL**

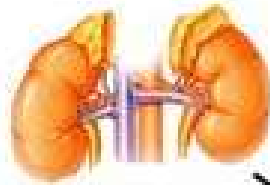
## **The central immune system include:**

- Bone marrow
- Thymus

## **The peripheral immune system include:**

- Spleen
- Lymph nodes
- Clusters of lymphoid tissue in the walls of hollow organs of digestive and respiratory tract
- Tonsils
- Lymphoid nodules appendix and ileum
- Single lymphoid nodules

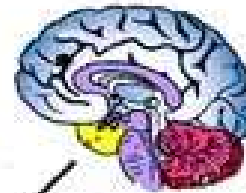
Glandula suprarenalis



Cortisol  
Adrenaline



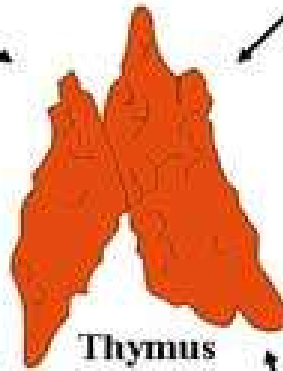
CNS



GH  
GnRH

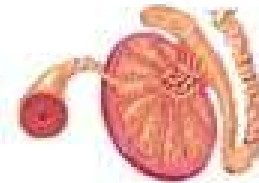


Thyroid  
Hormones



Thymus

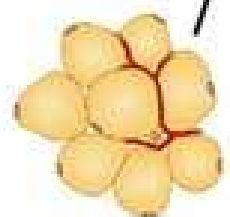
Testosterone



Testis

Glandula thyroidea

Leptin  
Adipokines

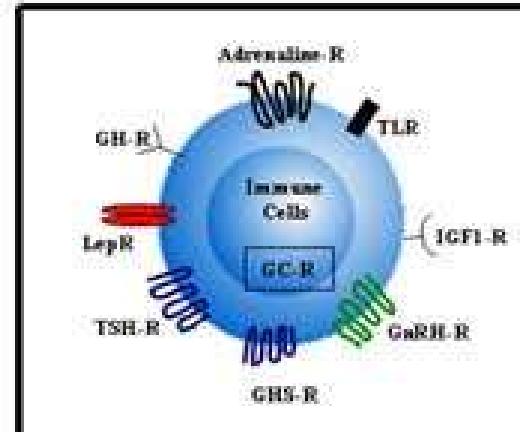


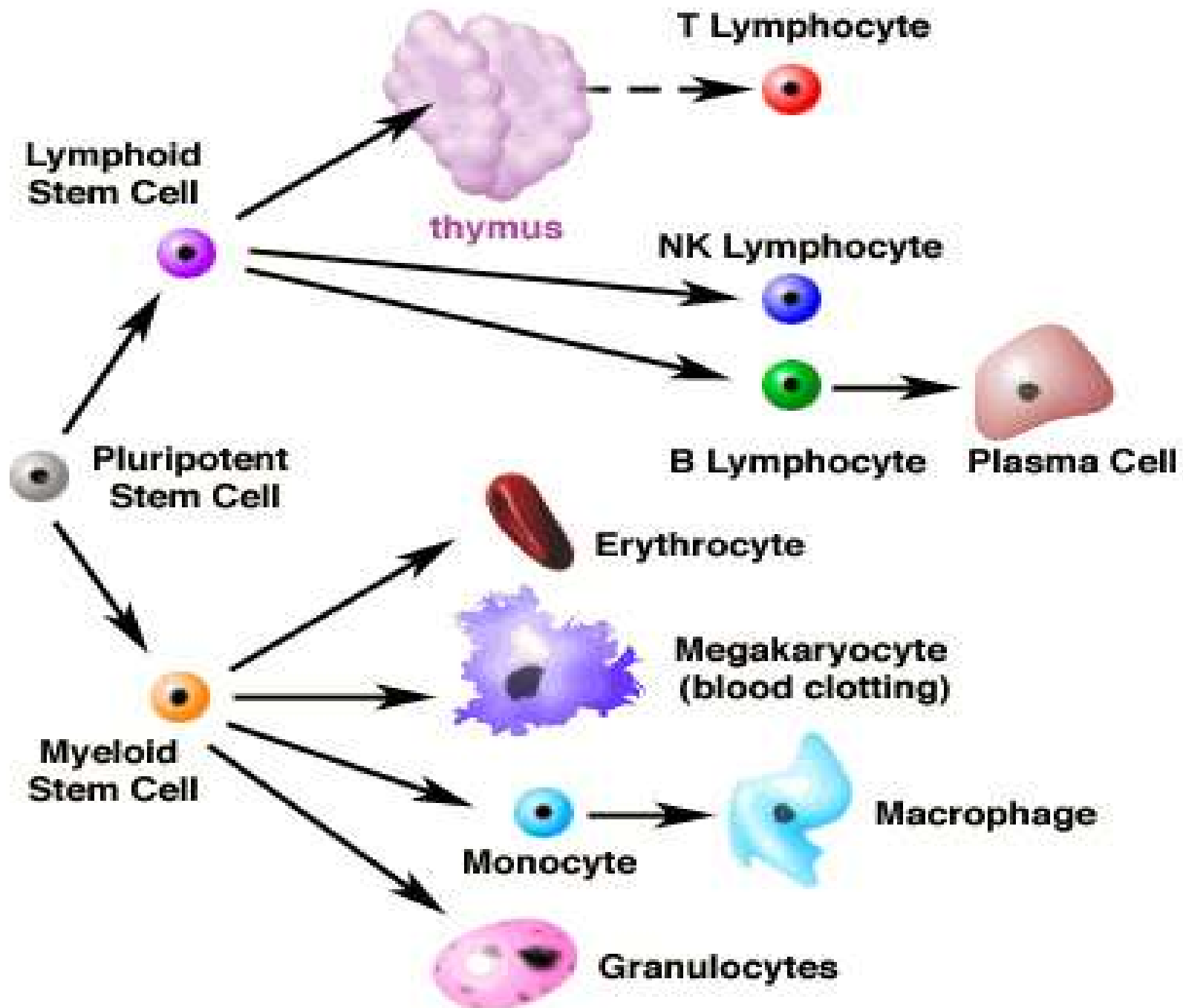
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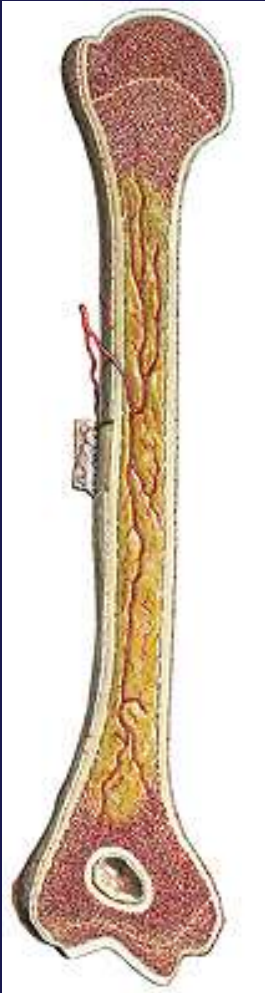


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# THE BONE MARROW



**NOWADAYS BONE MARROW IN THE HUMAN IMMUNE SYSTEM REGARDED AS ANALOGUES TO FABRICIUS BAGS - CELL ACCUMULATION IN THE WALL OF KLOAC PART OF BOWEL BIRDS. BONE MARROW IS A COMPONENT OF THE BLOOD AND IMMUNE SYSTEM.**

**IN THE BONE MARROW THERE ARE STEM CELLS WHICH FORMED B-LYMPHOCYTES, IN IT INDEPENDENT ZONE FROM THYMIC DIFFERENTIATION.**

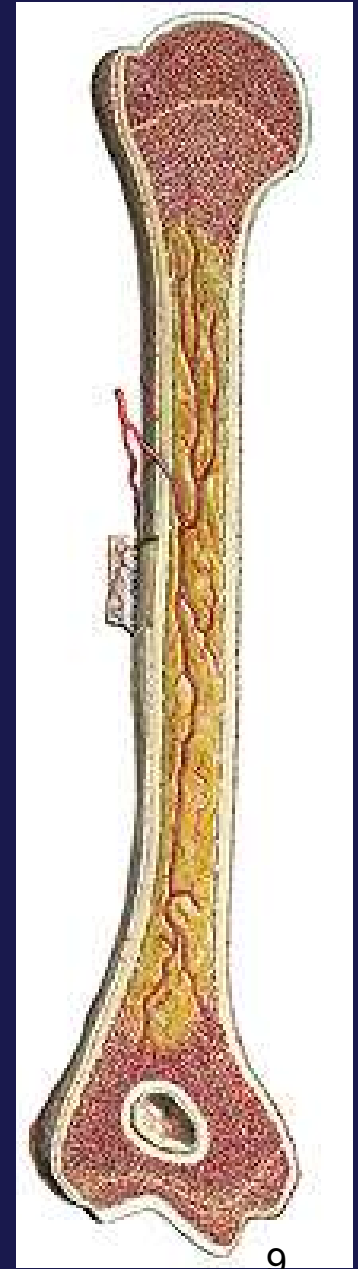
**THERE IS A DIFFERENTIATION IN THE THYMUS T-LYMPHOCYTES (THYMUS-DEPENDENT), WHICH ARE FORMED FROM STEM CELLS.**

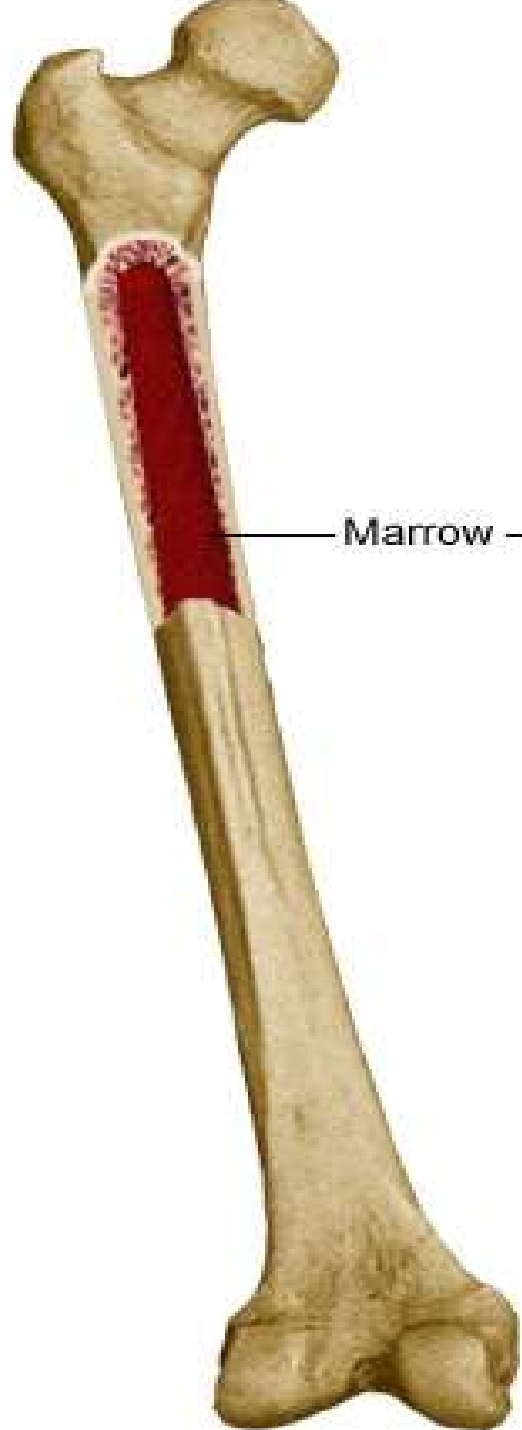


THERE ARE RED BONE MARROW, WHICH IN THE ADULT IS LOCATED IN THE CELL SPONGE FLAT AND SHORT BONES EPIPHYSIS OF LONG BONES AND YELLOW BONE MARROW,

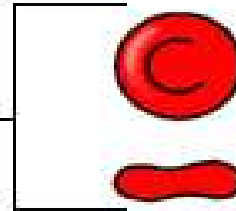
WHICH FILLS THE DIAPHYSIS CAVITY OF LONG BONES.

THE TOTAL MASS OF THE BONE MARROW OF ADULTS - ABOUT 2.5-3 KG (4.5-4.7% OF BODY WEIGHT). ALMOST HALF IS RED BONE MARROW, BALANCE- YELLOW.



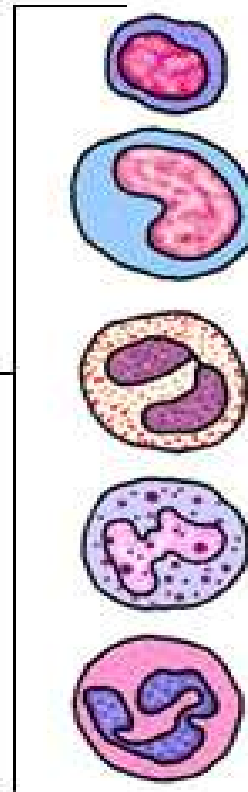


Red Blood Cells



Marrow

White Blood Cells



Lymphocyte

Monocyte

Eosinophil

Basophil

Neurophil

Platelets



**RED BONE MARROW** CONSISTING OF MYELOID TISSUE, WHICH INCLUDES THE RETICULAR TISSUE AND HEMATOPOIETIC ELEMENTS. IT CONTAINS STEM HEMATOPOIETIC CELLS - PRECURSORS OF ALL CELLS IN THE BLOOD AND LYMPH.

- IN THE BONE MARROW STEM CELLS ARE PREDECESSORS OF T- AND B-LYMPHOCYTES.
- PRECEDED BY T-LYMPHOCYTES MIGRATE TO THE THYMUS.
- PRECEDED BY B-LYMPHOCYTES IN THE BONE MARROW DEVELOP INTO B-LYMPHOCYTES.
- LATER THE LYMPHOCYTES ENTER TO THE PERIPHERAL DEPENDENT ZONE OF IMMUNE SYSTEM.

**10-30% OF THE POPULATION OF LYMPHOCYTES –  
ARE B-LYMPHOCYTES.**

**THE MAIN PROPERTY OF B-LYMPHOCYTES IS  
THE PRESENCE ON THE SURFACE  
IMMUNOGLOBULIN IDENTIFICATION  
ANTIGEN RECEPTORS.**

**AFTER INTERACTION WITH THESE  
RECEPTORS ANTIGEN B LYMPHOCYTES  
DIFFERENTIATE INTO PLASMA CELLS WHOSE  
PRIMARY FUNCTION IS THE PRODUCTION OF  
IMMUNOGLOBULINS - ANTIBODIES.**

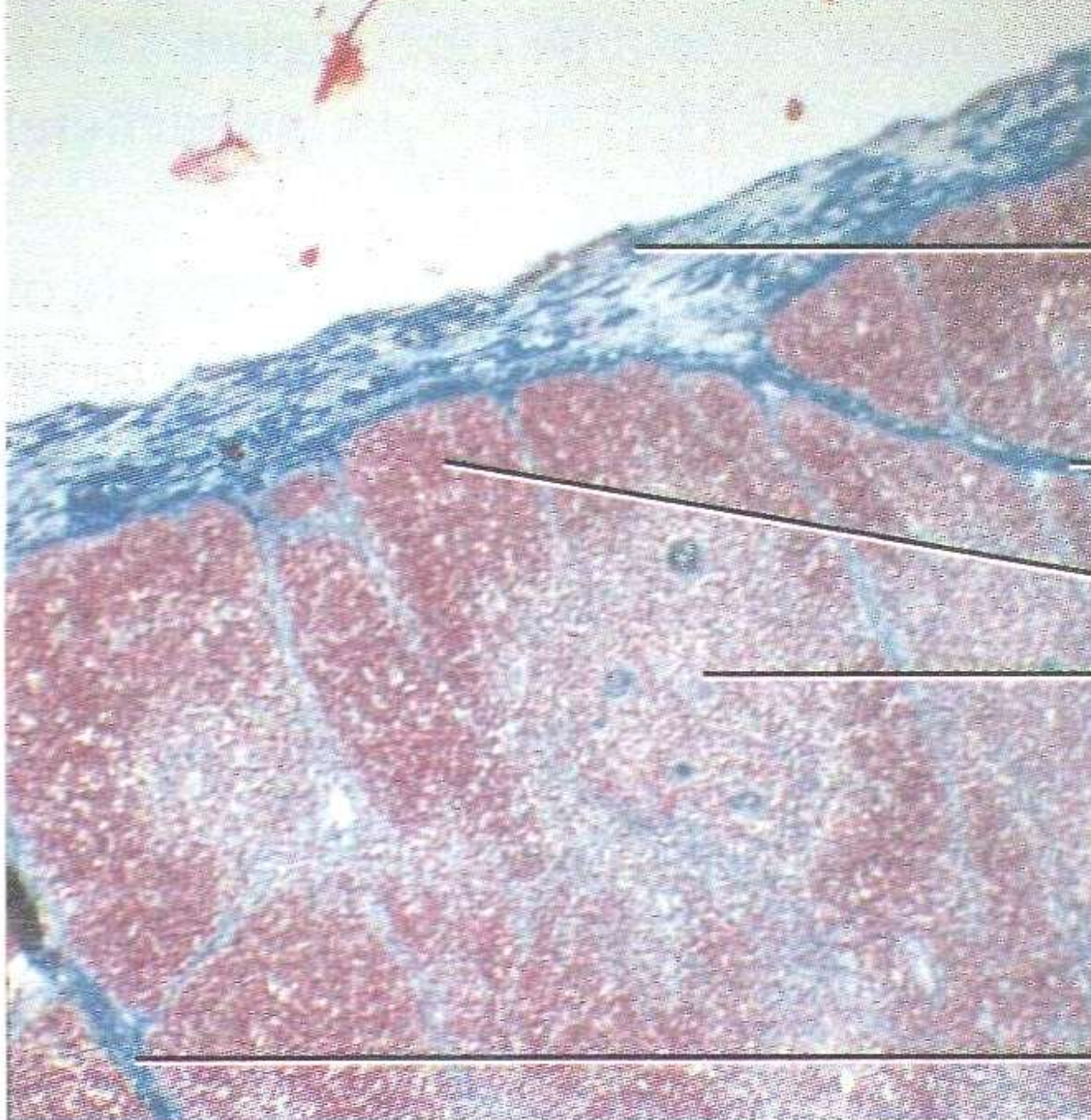
**B-LYMPHOCYTES PERFORM THE FUNCTION OF HUMORAL IMMUNITY IN WHICH THE MAIN ROLE BELONGS TO BLOOD, LYMPH, SECRETIONS OF GLANDS THAT CONTAINS ANTIBODIES AND PARTICIPATES IN IMMUNE RESPONSES.**

**B-LYMPHOCYTES ARE PROVISIONAL OF PLASMA CELLS AND LYMPHOCYTES WITH INCREASED ACTIVITY. THEN THEY COME IN DEPENDING ZONE OF LYMPH NODES AND SPLEEN.**

# THYMUS

IT IS A TEMPORARY ORGAN, ATTAINING ITS LARGEST SIZE AT THE TIME OF PUBERTY, WHEN IT CEASES TO GROW, GRADUALLY DWINDLES, AND ALMOST DISAPPEARS. LOCATED ALONG THE MIDDLE LINE, SITUATED PARTLY IN THE THORAX, PARTLY IN THE NECK, AND EXTENDING FROM THE FOURTH COSTAL CARTILAGE UPWARD. IT IS COVERED BY THE STERNUM AND BY MUSCLES OF THE NEACK.

THYMUS HAS 2 LOBULES EACH OF THEM CONSIST OF:  
- **CORTEX** - CONTAINS A LARGE NUMBER OF LYMPHOCYTES;  
- **MEDULLA** - ACCUMULATION OF RETICULAR CELLS THAT ARE CALLED HASSALYA'S CELLS.



Capsule

Trabecula

Lobule:

Cortex

Medulla

Trabecula



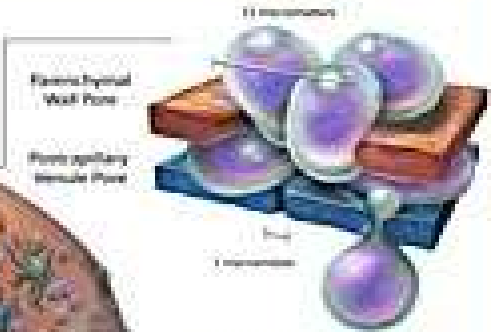
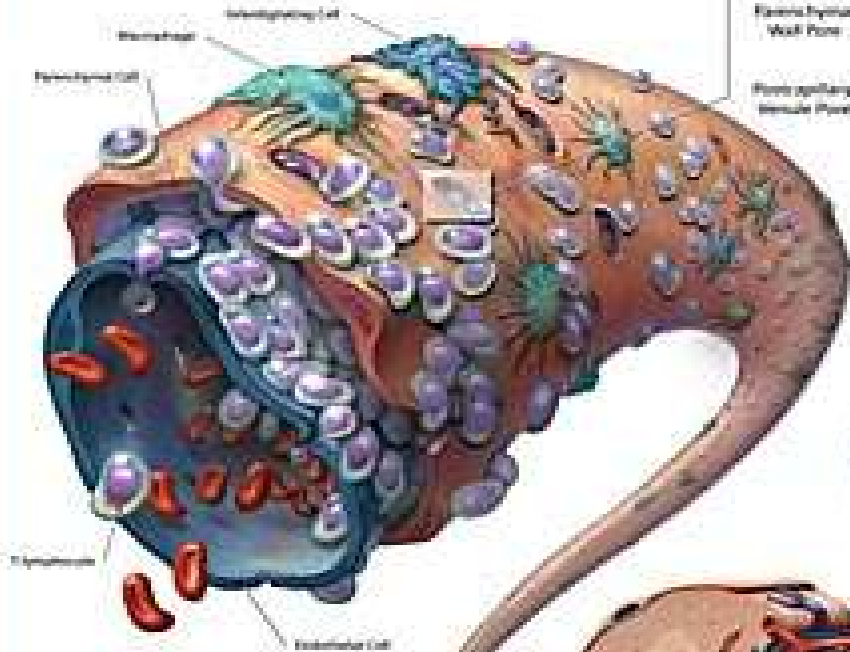
**MEDULLAS CELL SECRETES  
HORMON OF THYMUS WHICH CALLED  
"THYMICAL (HUMORAL) FACTOR"  
INFLUENCING DIFFERENTIATION OF T-  
LYMPHOCYTES WITH PROGENITOR  
CELLS IN THE CORTEX OF THE THYMUS.  
T-LYMPHOCYTES - INCLUDES 70-90%  
OF THE LYMPHOCYTES POPULATION.**

**IN T-DEPENDENT PERIPHERAL AREAS FORM:**

- T-KILLER**
- T-HELPERS**
- T-SUPPRESSOR.**

**T-LYMPHOCYTES COLONIZE THE THYMUS-INDEPENDENT ZONES OF LYMPH NODES, SPLEEN AND PROVIDES BOTH IMPLEMENTATION OF CELL IMMUNITY BY ACCUMULATION AND THE INTRODUCTION OF THE SENSITIZING LYMPHOCYTES.**

# Thymus



T-lymphocyte

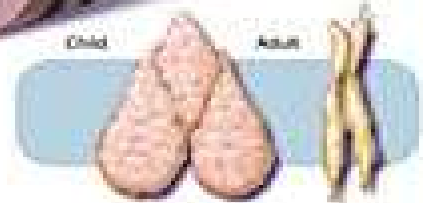
Macrophage



Medulla

Cortex

Thymic involution



# **DEFECTS OF THYMUS:**

- **ALIMFOPLAZIYA**
- **HYPOPLASIA**
- **DYSPLASIA**
- **TYMOMEHALIYA**

# PERIPHERAL IMMUNE SYSTEM

PERIPHERAL IMMUNE ORGANS ARE DIVIDED INTO:

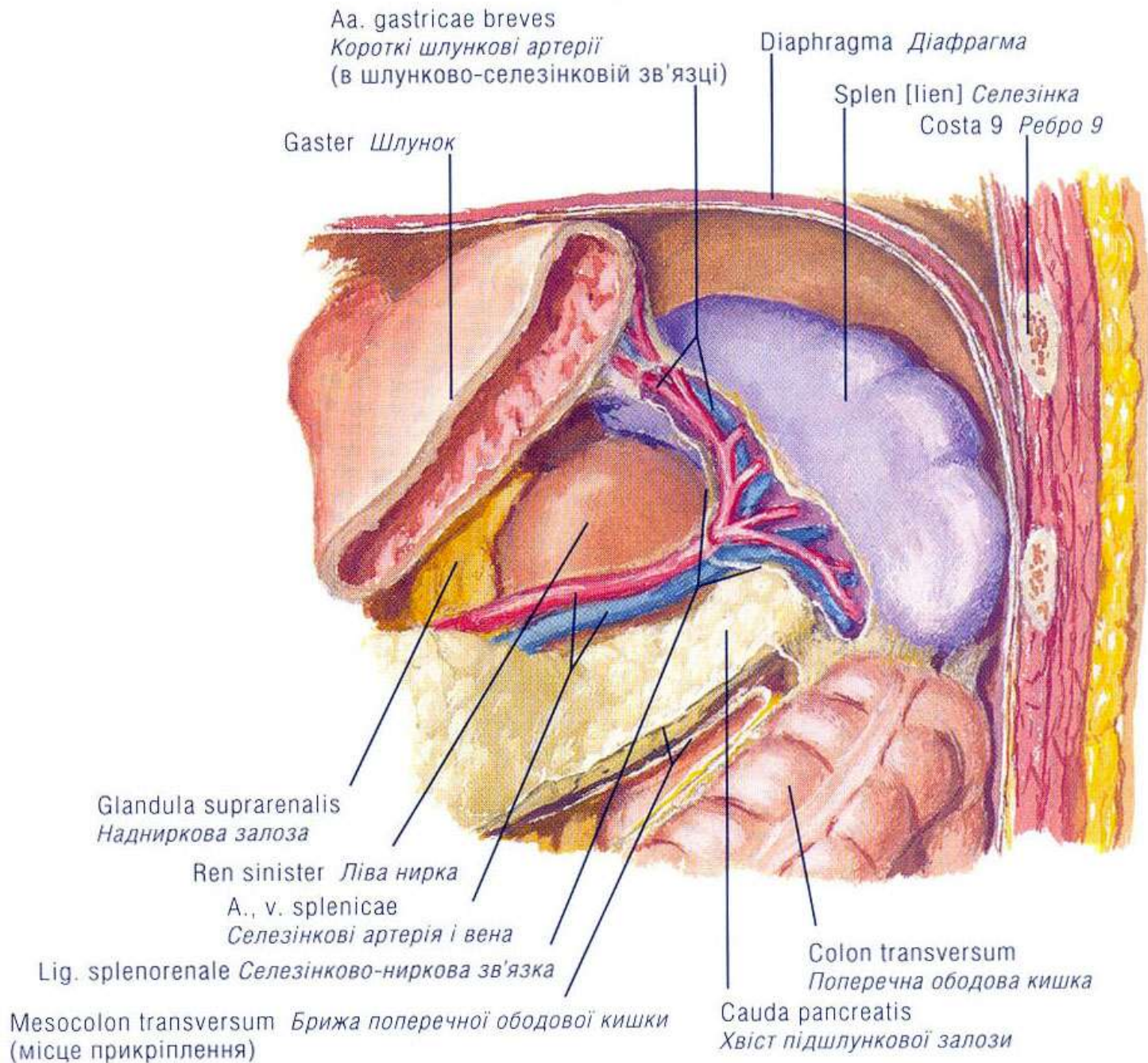
**CAPSULATED** - SPLEEN,  
**ENCAPSULATED** - LYMPH NODES

**FUNCTION OF PERIPHERAL IMMUNE SYSTEM IS BEING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF CENTRAL IMMUNE.**

# **SPLEEN**

**LYMPHOID TISSUE IN THE SPLEEN IS CONNECTED TO THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM. SPLEEN IS ON THE WAY OF BLOOD FLOWING FROM ARTERIAL SYSTEM (AORTA) TO THE SYSTEM OF PORTAL HEPATIC VEIN.**

**SPLEEN IS DRIVE BLOOD, IT OCCURS ON THE ONE HAND, THE DESTRUCTION OF RED BLOOD CELLS AND PLATELETS, ON THE OTHER HAND, LYMPHOCYTOPOIESIS. WITH THE FORMATION LYMPHOCYTES RELATED PROTECTIVE FUNCTION OF THE SPLEEN, ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE IMMUNE RESPONSE.**



Селезінка in situ



# **SPLEEN CONSIST OF:**

- **RED PULP (70-80% PARENCHYMA)**
- **WHITE PULP (17-19% PARENCHYMA).**

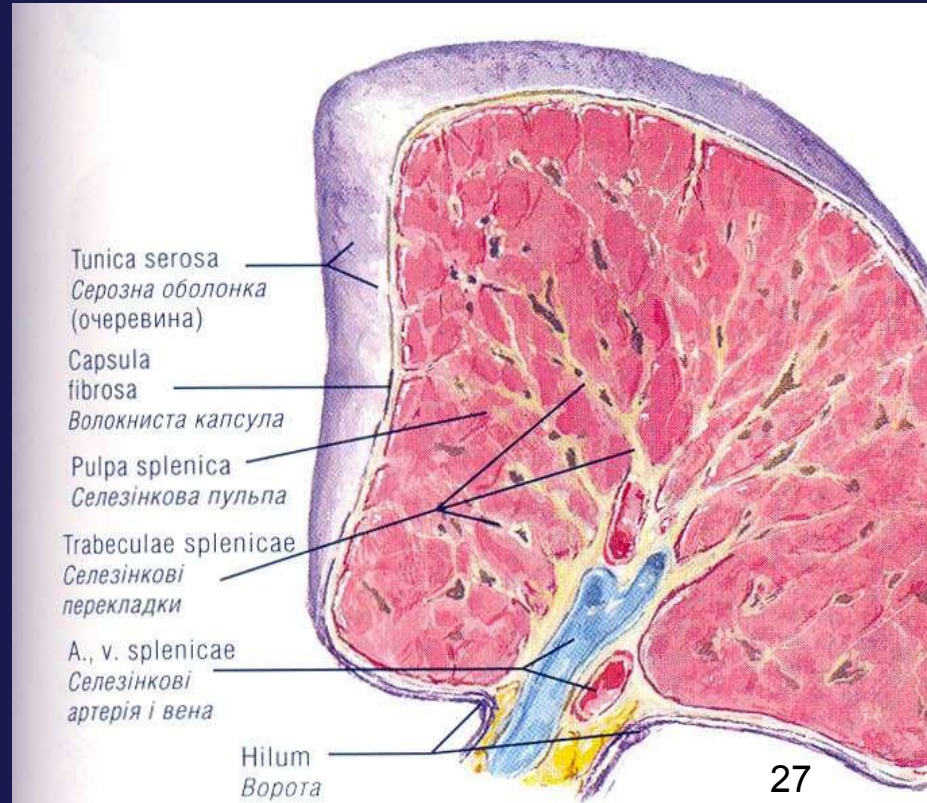
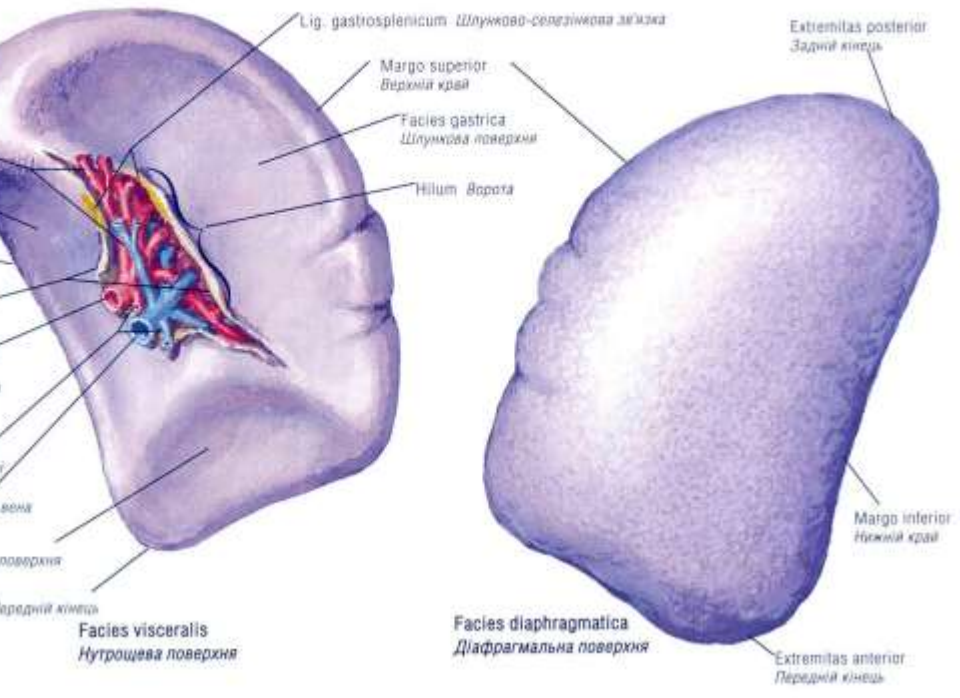
## **WHITE PULP INCLUDE:**

- **LYMPHOID NODES AROUND ARTERIES**
- **PERIARTERIAL LYMPHOID SHEATH.**

# **LYMPHOID NODULES AROUND THE ARTERY PROVIDES:**

- 1) BREEDING CENTRE – IN-DEPENDENT ZONE**
- 2) PERIARTERIAL ZONE - T-DEPENDENT ZONE**
- 3) MANTLE LAYER - T- AND B-DEPENDENT ZONE**
- 4) MARGINAL ZONE - T- AND B-SENSITIVE ZONE.**

# Селезінка (splen)



**THE SPLEEN** ***DEVELOPS***  
**FROM THE DORSAL**  
**MESENTERY AT 5-6 WEEKS**  
**OF FETAL DEVELOPMENT.**

# **ANOMALIES OF SPLEEN**

- **ALIYENIYA**
- **ANOMALIES FORMS OF SPLEEN - DUE TO A DEEP CUT AND FISSURES.**

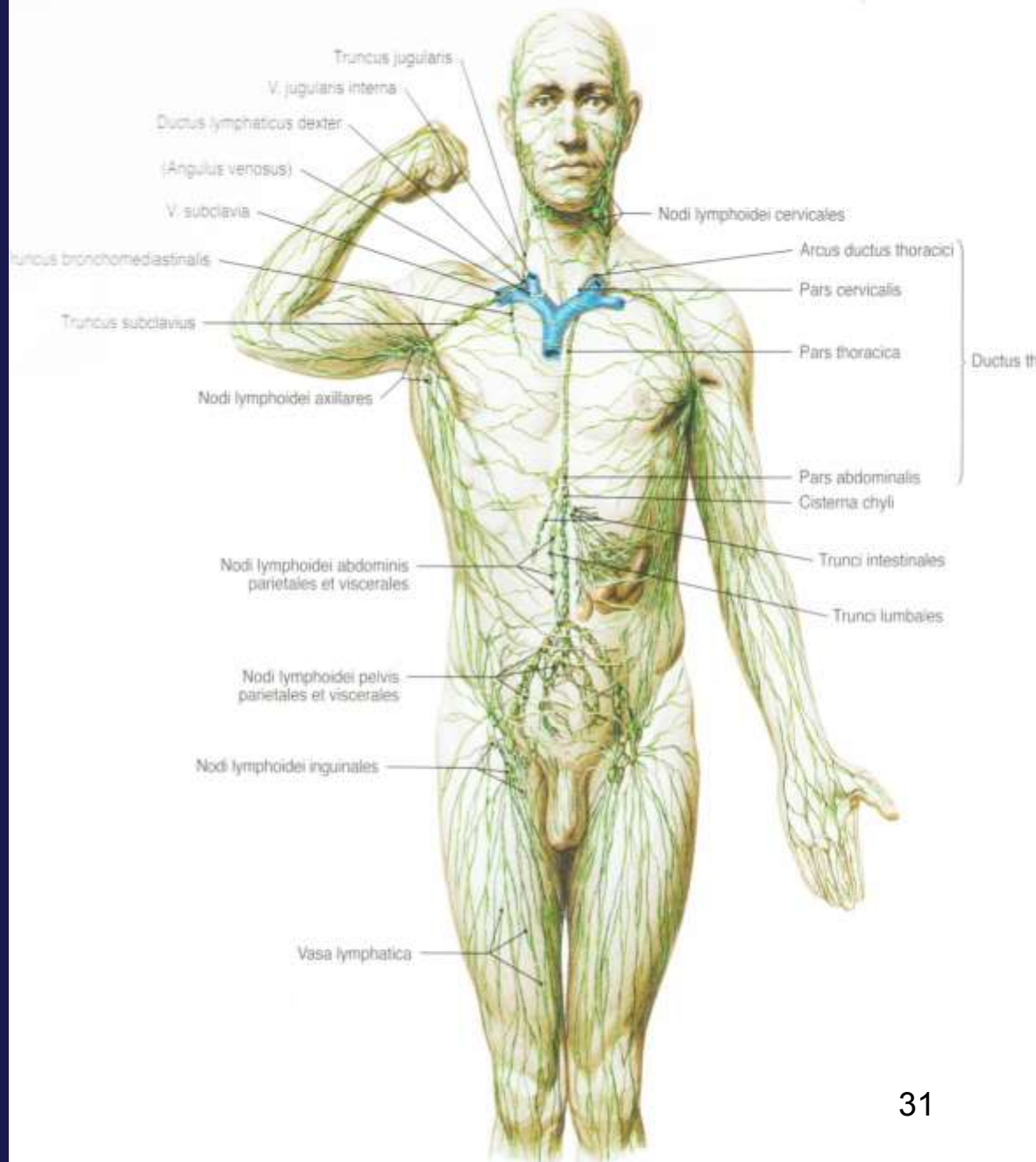
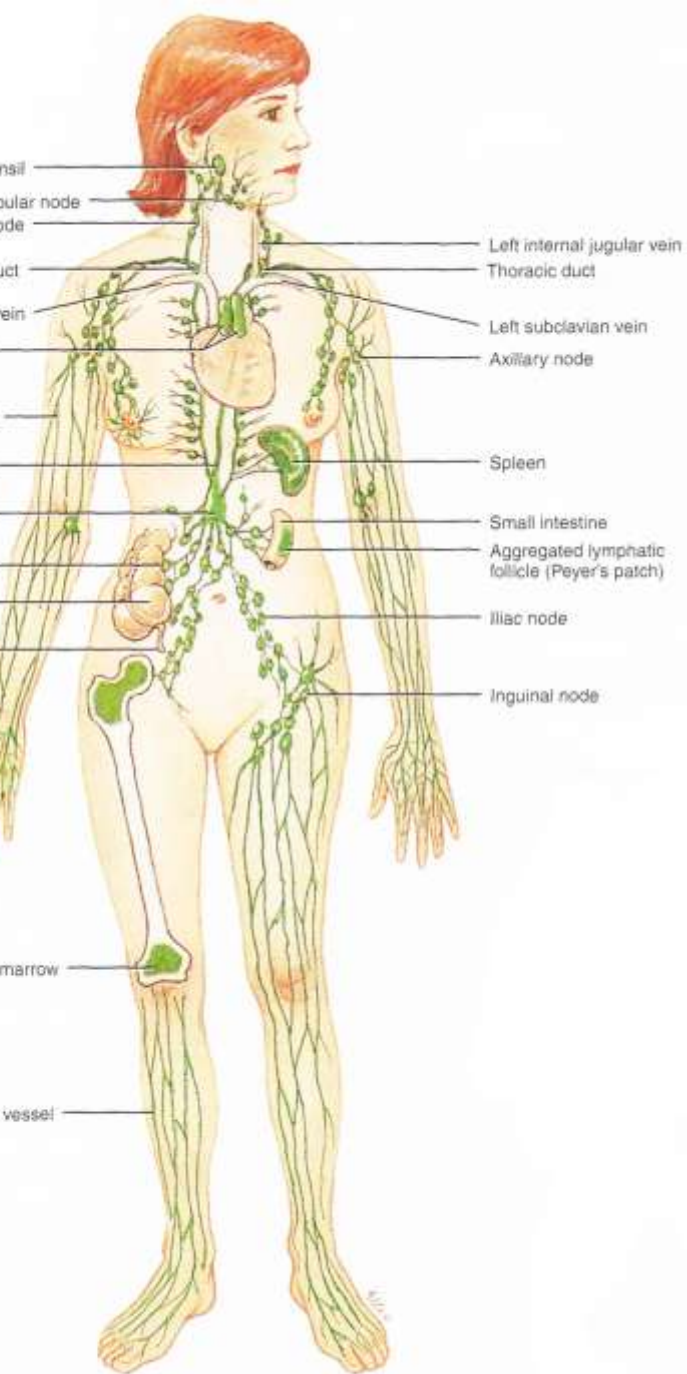
A) SPLEEN BLEEDING - SOMETIMES REACHES THE TESTES, IN WOMEN IT CAN REACH THE LEFT OVARY.

B) SPLEEN PART - DIVISION OF ORGANS BY DEEP GROOVES INTO SEVERAL SEPARATE PARTS, INDIVIDUAL PARTICLES ORGANS (2-4) ISOLATED STRATUM OF CONNECTIVE TISSUE.

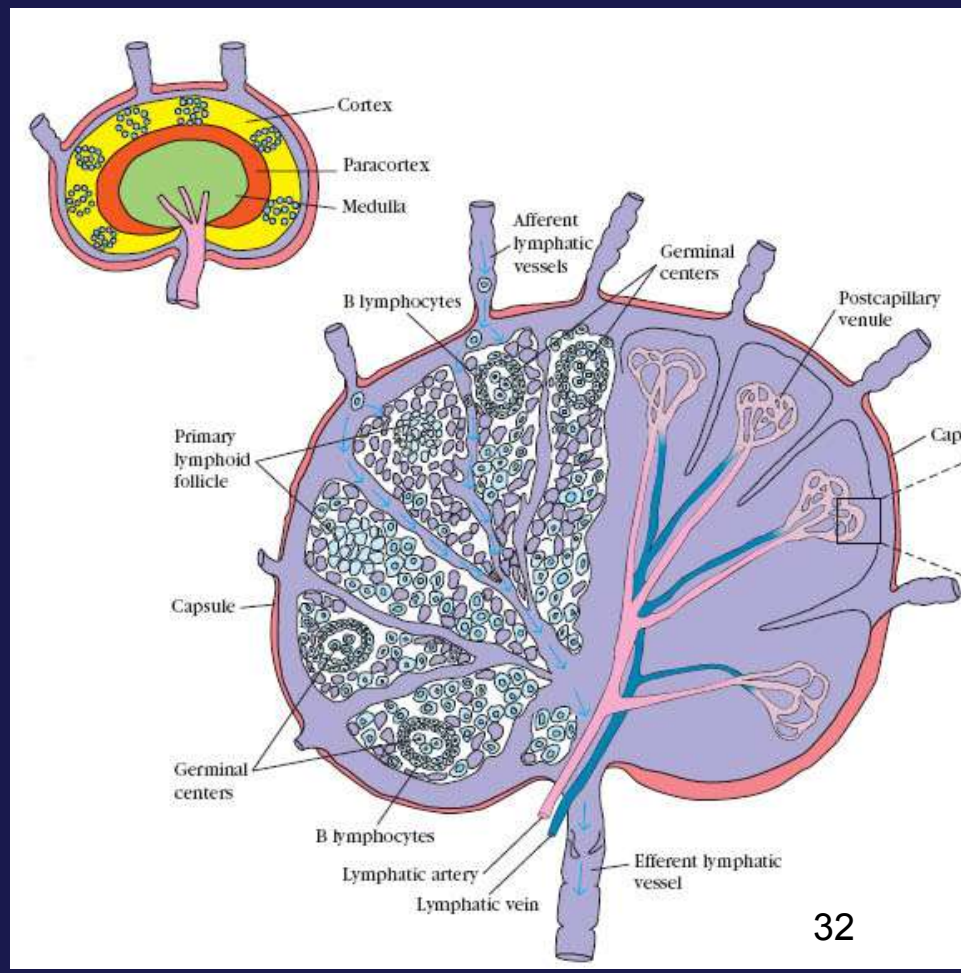
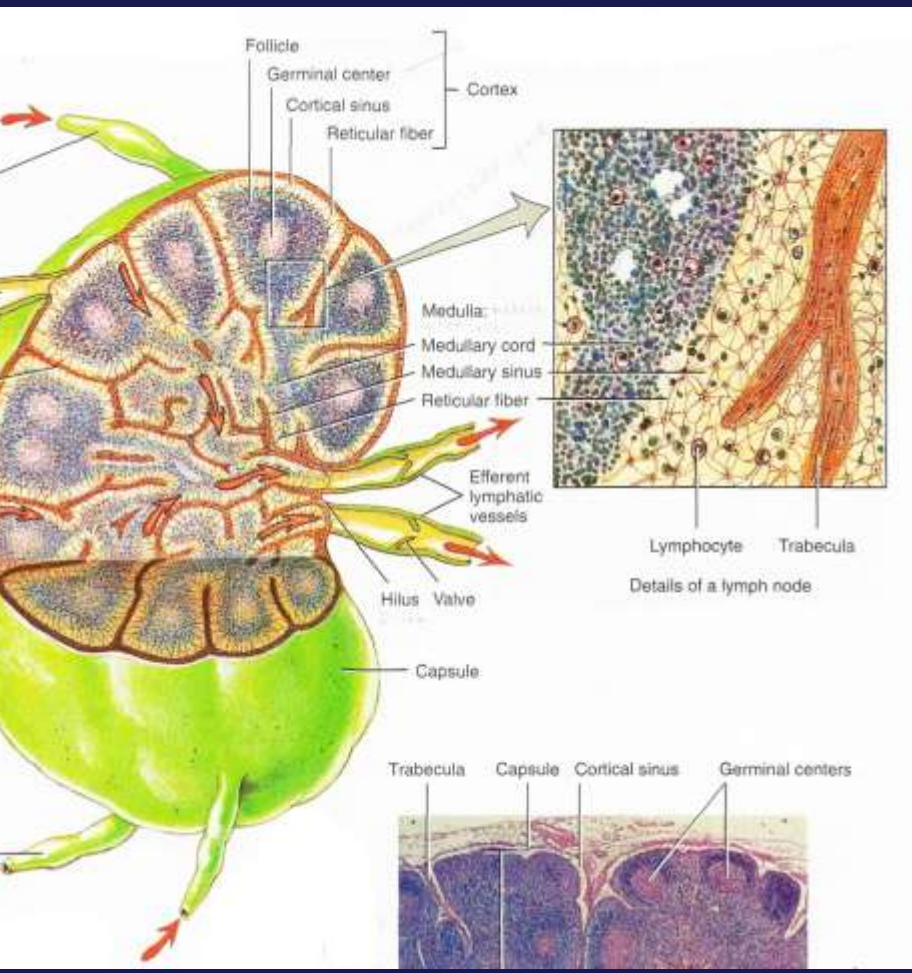
- **HYPOPLASTIC SPLEEN (OR MIKROSPLENIYA)** - HYPOPLASIA OF THE SPLEEN, WHICH RETAINS, HOWEVER, ITS FUNCTIONS.
- **SPLEEN DOUBLE** - DOUBLING THE SPLEEN, IS RARE.
- **ADDITIONAL SPLEEN**
- **ECTOPIC SPLEEN**

# **LYMPH NODES**

**LYMPH NODES LIE ON THE PATH  
FOLLOWING THE LYMPHATIC VESSELS  
FROM ORGANS AND TISSUES TO LYMPH  
DUCTS AND TRUNKS.**

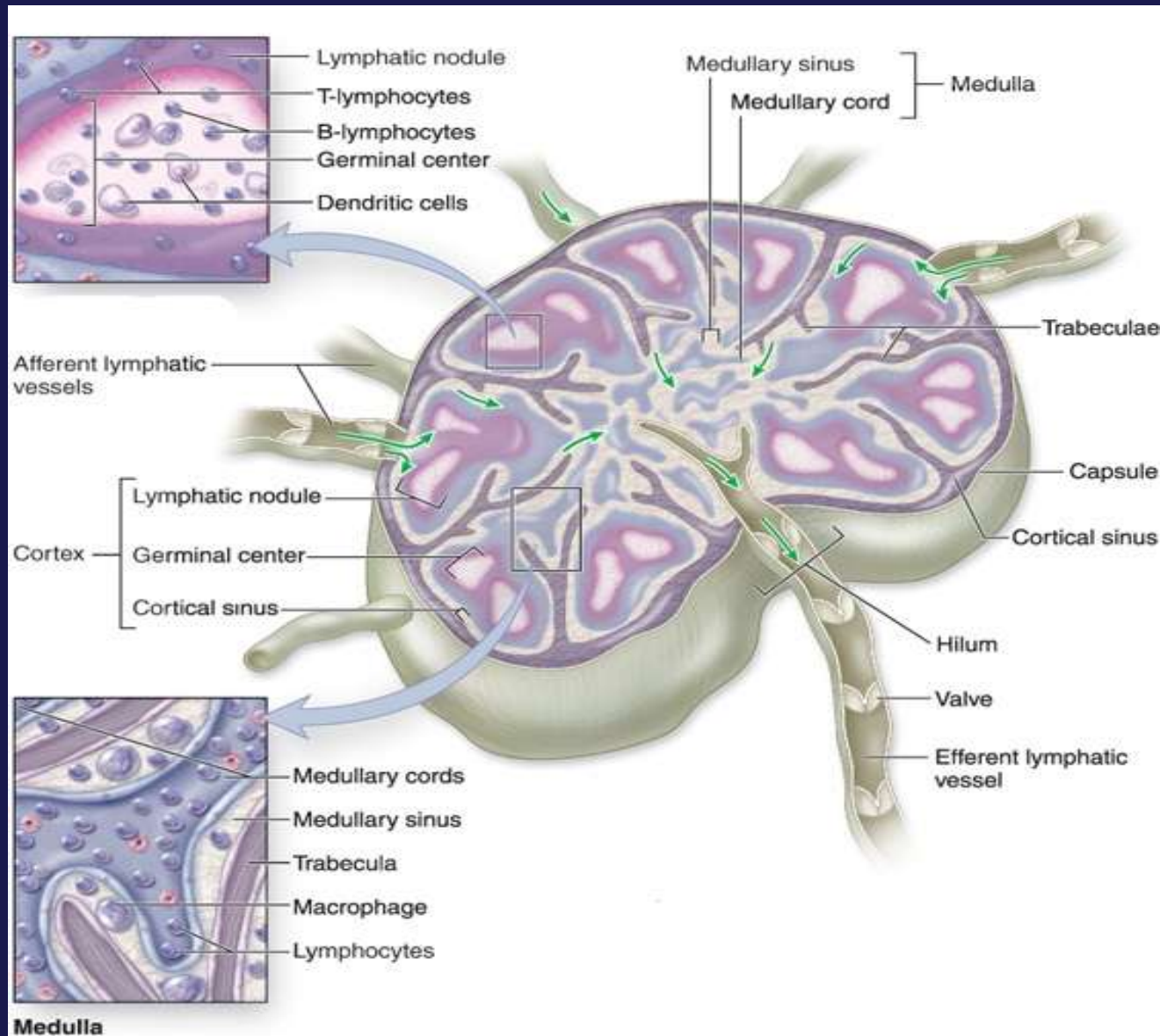


**LYMPH NODES HAS A DIFFERENT TYPES OF ROUND SHAPE. THEIR SIZES RANGE FROM 0.5-1.0 30-50 MM. EVERY LYMPH NODE COVERED WITH CONNECTIVE TISSUE OUTSIDE, WHICH MAKES CAPSULE FROM WHICH EXTENDS THIN SHIFTING INSIDE THE ORGAN.**





**LYMPH NODES LIE TOWARDS FLOW OF LYMPH FROM ORGANS AND TISSUES IN THE VENOUS SYSTEM. FOREIGN AGENT THAT REACHES THE LYMPH, DELAYED AND ELIMINATED IN THE LYMPH NODES.**



# **LYMPH NODES COMPOSED OF:**

- CORTEX**
- MEDULLA.**

**BETWEEN CORTEX AND MEDULLA  
ARE PARAKORTIKALZONE ALSO  
CALLED T-DEPENDENT AREA.**

# TONSILS

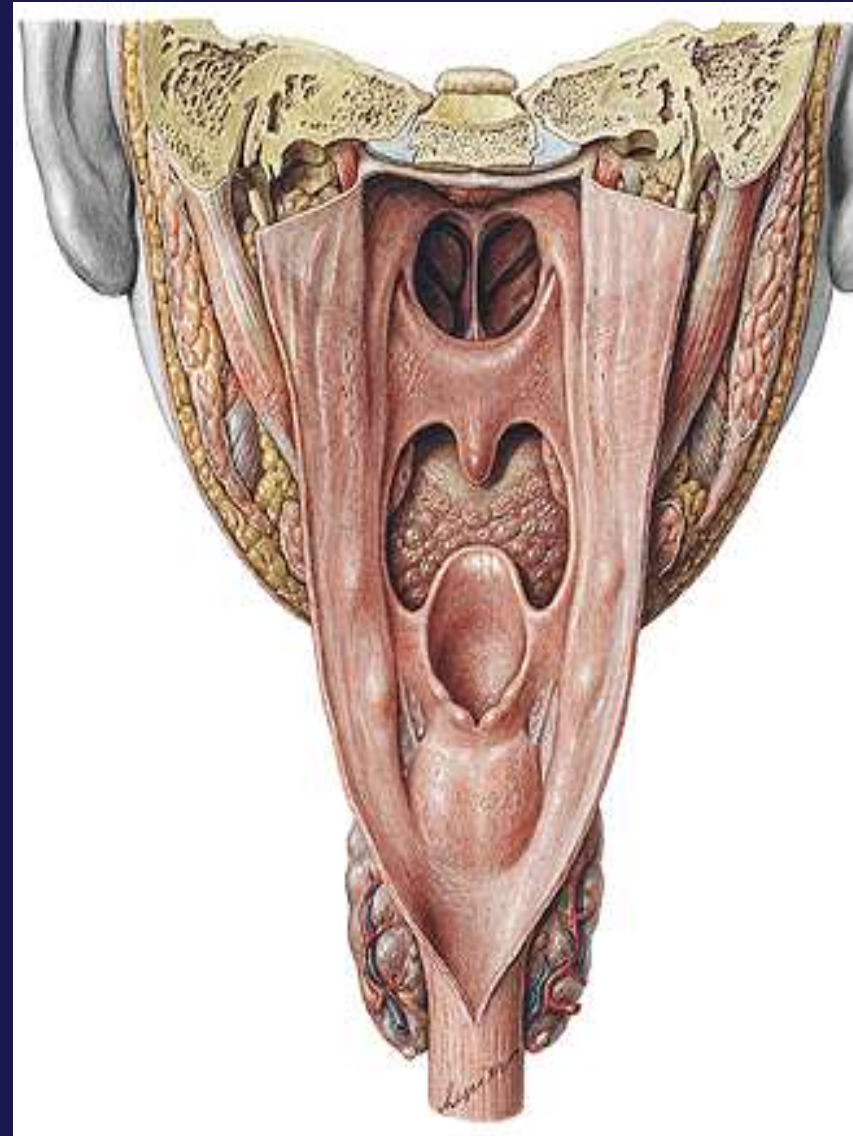
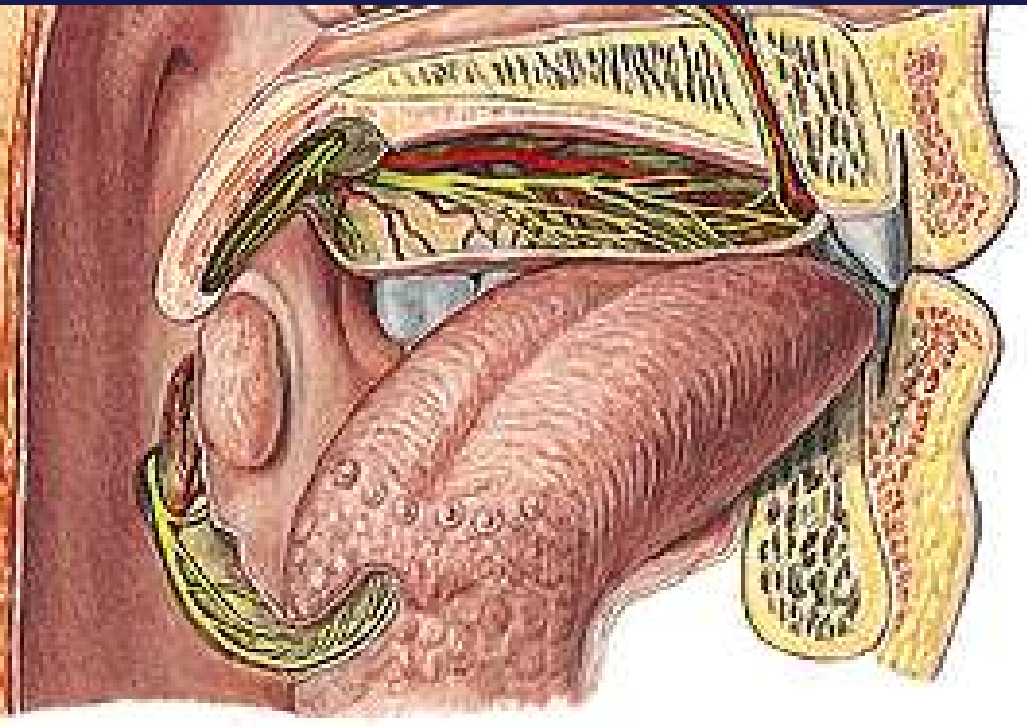
TONSILS ARE LOCATED IN THE WALLS OF INITIAL SECTION OF DIGESTIVE AND RESPIRATORY TRACTS, FORMING **LYMPHOID RING PIROGOV-WALDEYER**. TONSILLAR LYMPHOID TISSUE IS AT RISK OF ORAL CAVITY, NASAL CAVITY, ON THE ONE HAND, AND ORAL PHARYNX AND LARYNX, ON THE OTHER.

# **TONSILS:**

- **LINGUAL**
- **PHARYNGEAL**
- **PALATINE**
- **TUBAL**

**LOCATED IN THE AREA OF THE TONGUE, THROAT AND NASAL PART OF THE PHARYNX. THEY REPRESENT A DIFFUSE ACCUMULATION OF LYMPHOID TISSUE, CONTAINING SMALL SIZE DENSER CELL MASS - LYMPHOID NODULES.**

**TONSILS** – IT IS  
T-INDEPENDENT  
ORGANS OF THE  
PERIPHERAL  
IMMUNE SYSTEM.



# **CLUSTERS OF LYMPHOID TISSUE**

## **LYMPHOID NODULES OF APPENDIX,**

**NODULI LYMPHOIDEI APPENDICIS**

**VERMIFORMIS, DURING THE**

**PERIOD OF MAXIMAL**

**DEVELOPMENT (AFTER BIRTH**

**UNTIL 16-17 YEARS) ARE LOCATED**

**IN THE MUCOSA AND SUBMUCOSA**

**IN THROUGHOUT THE BODY.**

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# **CLUSTERS OF LYMPHOID TISSUE**

**GROUP LYMPHOID NODULES LOCATED IN THE ILEUM WALL END SMALL INTESTINE, NEAR THE CONFLUENCE OF THE ILEUM IN THE BLIND, AND THE SAME NODULE APPENDIX - BETWEEN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE DIGESTIVE TUBE: SMALL AND LARGE INTESTINE.**

TOTAL LYMPHOID NODES IN THE WALL IN CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS REACHES 600-800. NODULES OFTEN PLACED ONE ABOVE THE OTHER IN A 2-3 SERIES. AFTER 50-60 YEARS THE NUMBER OF LYMPHOID NODES IS REDUCED TO 100-150.



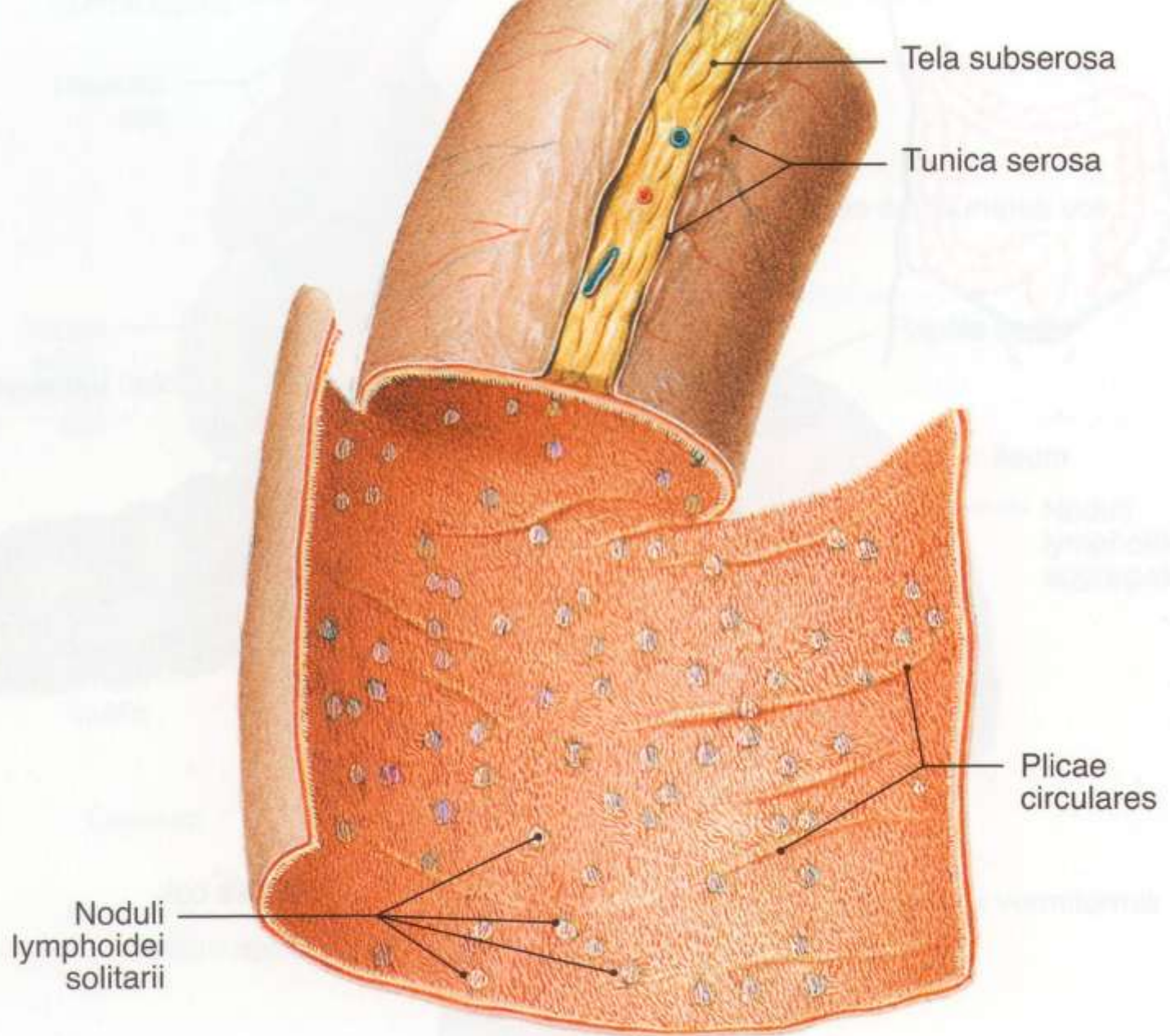
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**Fig. 997** Ileum, Ileum.

# ANTIGENS

- ANY FOREIGN SUBSTANCE THAT ELICITS AN IMMUNE RESPONSE WHEN INTRODUCED INTO THE TISSUES OF A SUSCEPTIBLE ANIMAL AND CAPABLE OF COMBINING WITH THE SPECIFIC ANTIBODIES FORMED.
- GENERALLY HIGH MOLECULAR WEIGHT
- TYPICALLY, PROTEINS OR POLYSACCHARIDES.
- POLYPEPTIDES, LIPIDS, NUCLEIC ACIDS AND MANY OTHER MATERIALS ALSO CAN ALSO FUNCTION AS ANTIGENS
- MICROBES ARE ANTIGENIC AND THEY CONTAIN AND PRODUCE MANY ANTIGENS
- ANTIGENS HAVE SPECIFIC SITES THAT BIND TO ANTIBODIES CALLED “EPITOPES”

# CLASSES OF ANTIBODIES (IMMUNOGLOBULINS)

Class/ subclass	Heavy chain	Light chain	Molecular weight (kDa)	Structure	Function
IgA <sub>1</sub> IgA <sub>2</sub>	α1 α2	λ or κ	150 to 600	Monomer to tetramer	Most produced Ig; protects mucosal surfaces; Resistant to digestion; secreted in milk
IgD	δ	λ or κ	150	Monomer	Function unclear; Works with IgM in B-cell development; mostly B cell bound
IgE	ε	λ or κ	190	Monomer	Defends against parasites; causes allergic reactions
IgG <sub>1</sub> IgG <sub>2a</sub> IgG <sub>2b</sub> IgG <sub>3</sub> IgG <sub>4</sub>	γ1 γ2 γ2 γ3 γ4	λ or κ	150	Monomer	Major Ig in serum; good opsonizer; moderate complement fixer (IgG <sub>3</sub> ); can cross placenta
IgM	μ	λ or κ	900	Pentamer	First response antibody; Strong complement fixer; Good opsonizer

# Components of the immune system



## Innate immune system

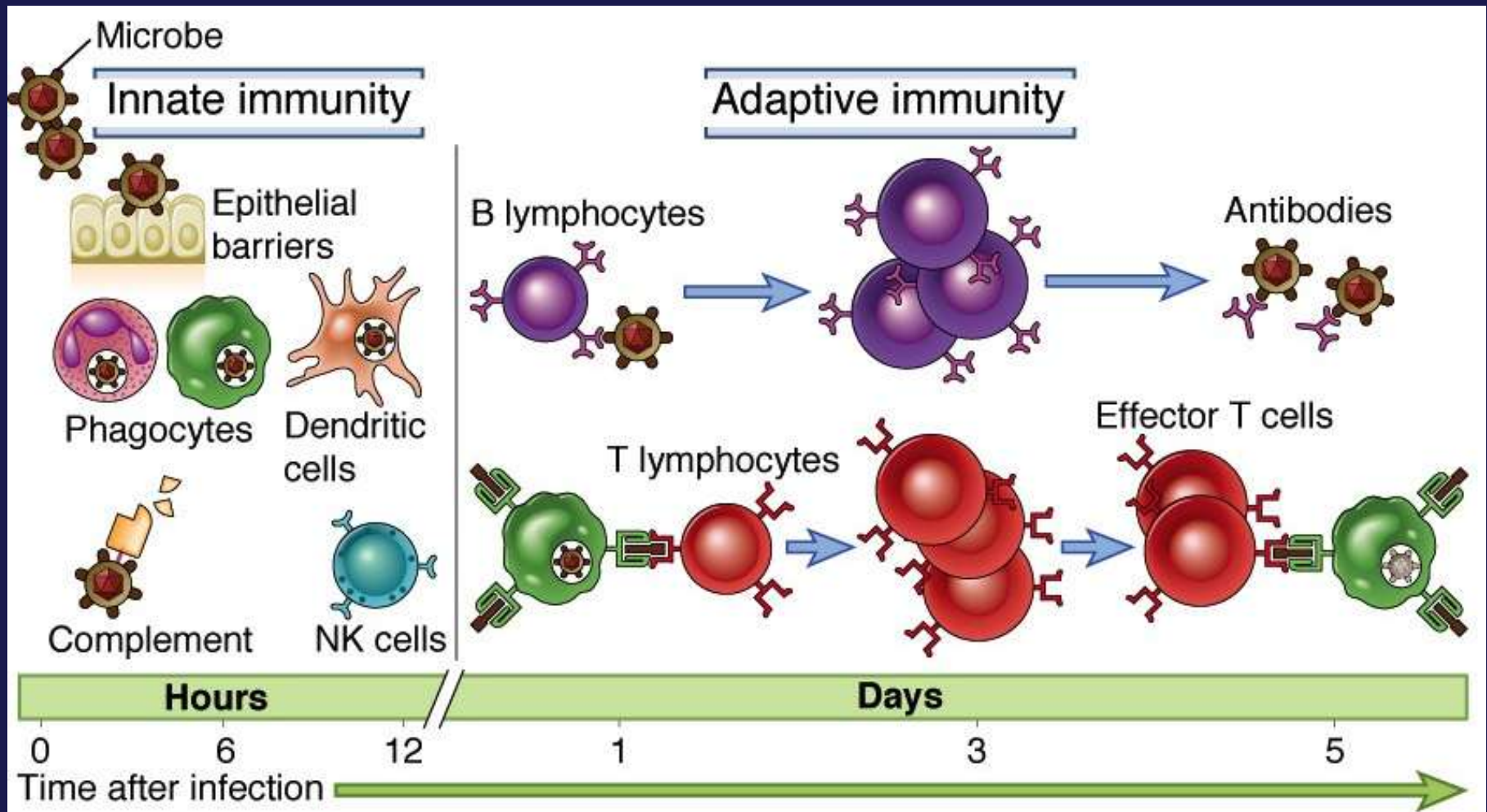
- Response is non-specific
- Exposure leads to immediate maximal response
- Cell-mediated and humoral components
- No immunological memory
- Found in nearly all forms of life (plants & animals)



## Adaptive immune system

- Pathogen and antigen specific response
- Lag time between exposure and maximal response
- Cell-mediated and humoral components
- Exposure leads to immunologic memory
- Found only in jawed vertebrates

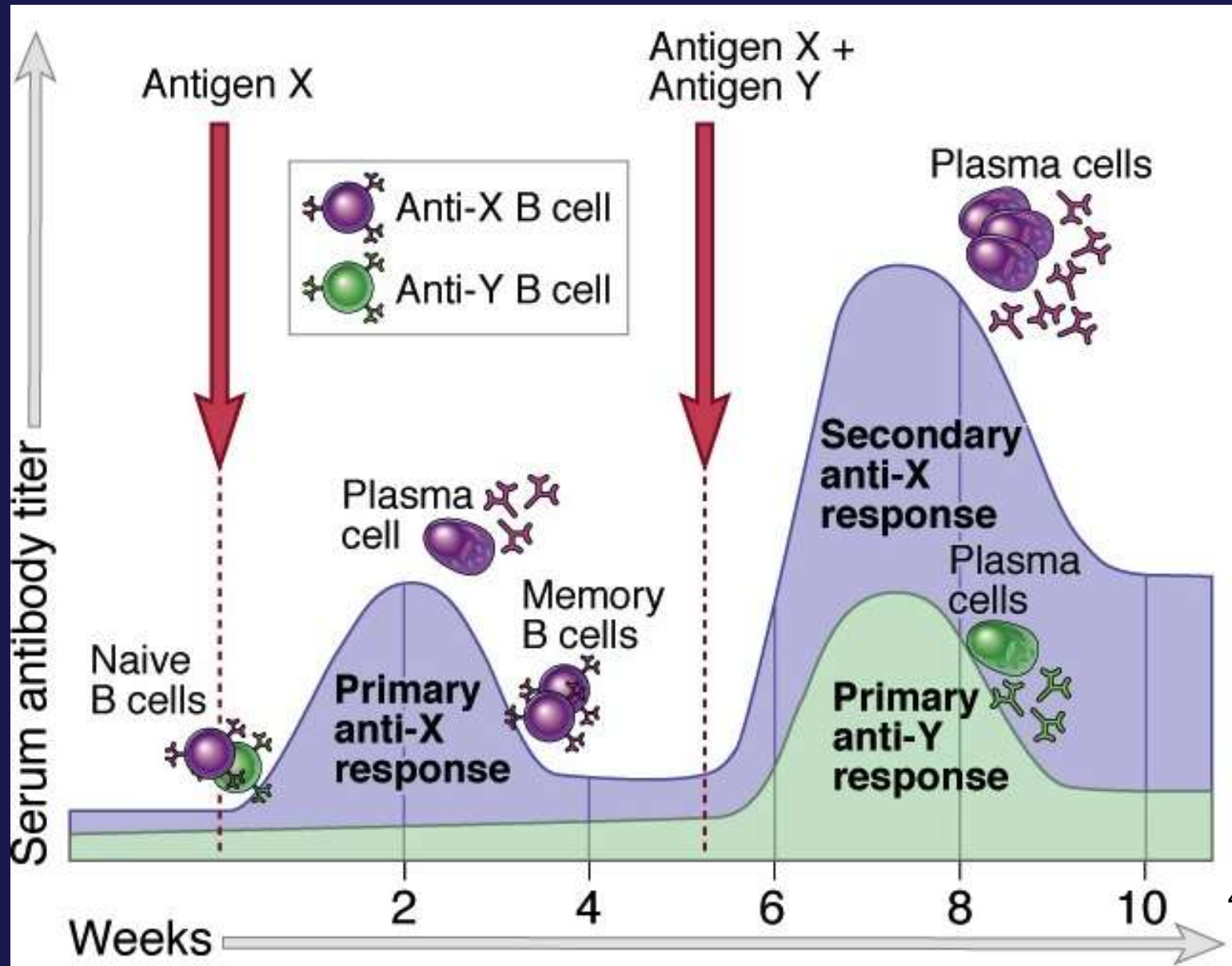
# INNATE AND ADAPTIVE IMMUNITY



*Innate immunity: always present (ready to attack); many pathogenic microbes have evolved to resist innate immunity*

*Adaptive immunity: stimulated by exposure to microbe; more potent*

# PRIMARY AND SECONDARY IMMUNE RESPONSES ILLUSTRATE SPECIFICITY AND MEMORY IN ADAPTIVE IMMUNITY



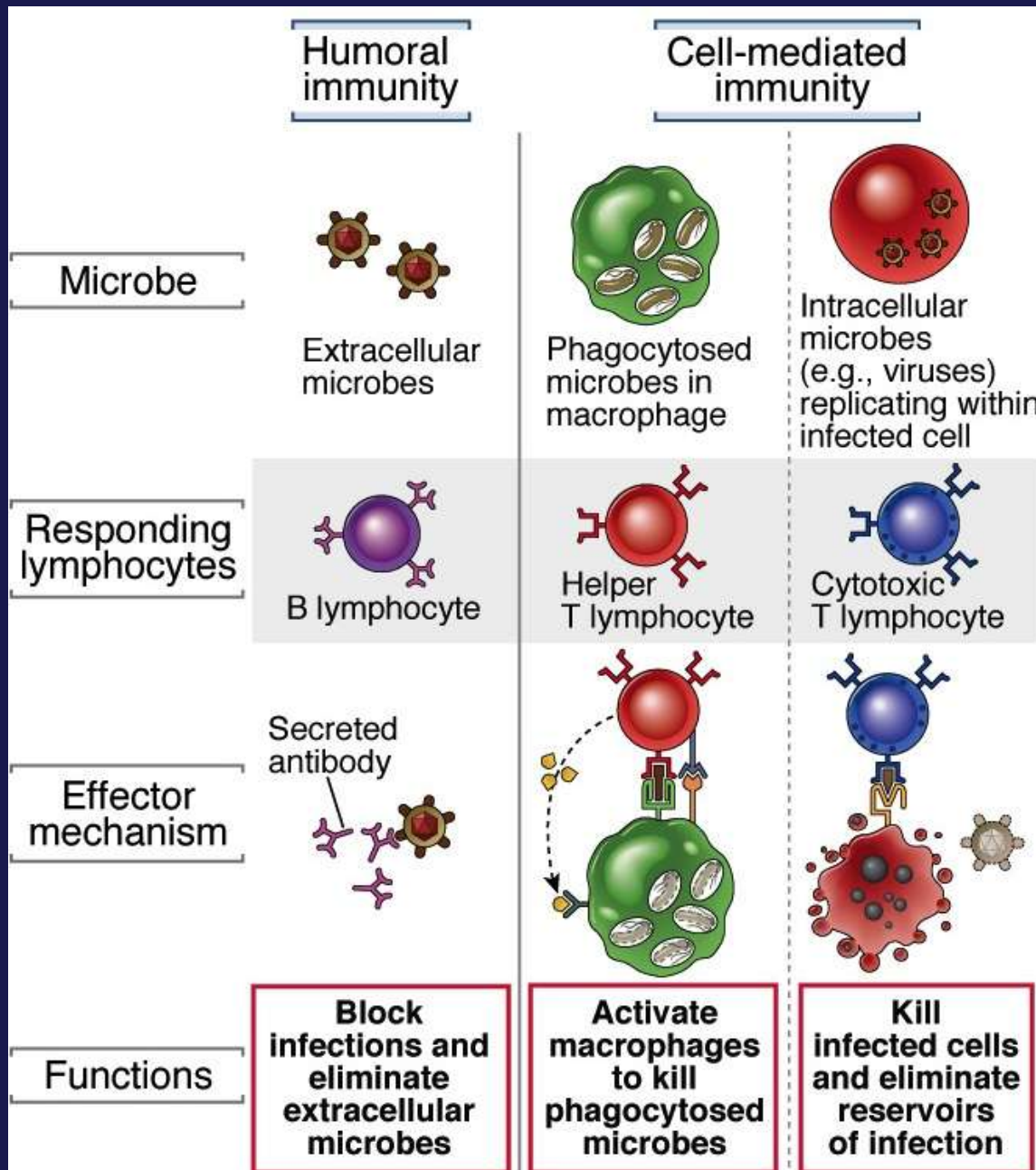
# ACTIVE AND PASSIVE IMMUNITY

		Specificity	Memory
Active immunity	<p>Microbial antigen (vaccine or infection)</p> <p>Days or weeks</p> <p>Challenge infection</p> <p>Recovery (immunity)</p>	Yes	Yes
Passive immunity	<p>Serum (antibodies) or cells (T lymphocytes) from immune animal</p> <p>Adoptive transfer to naive animal</p> <p>Challenge infection</p> <p>Recovery (immunity)</p>	Yes	No

Active immunity: long-lasting protection (memory), multiple effector mechanisms activated, lag time  
Passive immunity: rapid protection, short duration

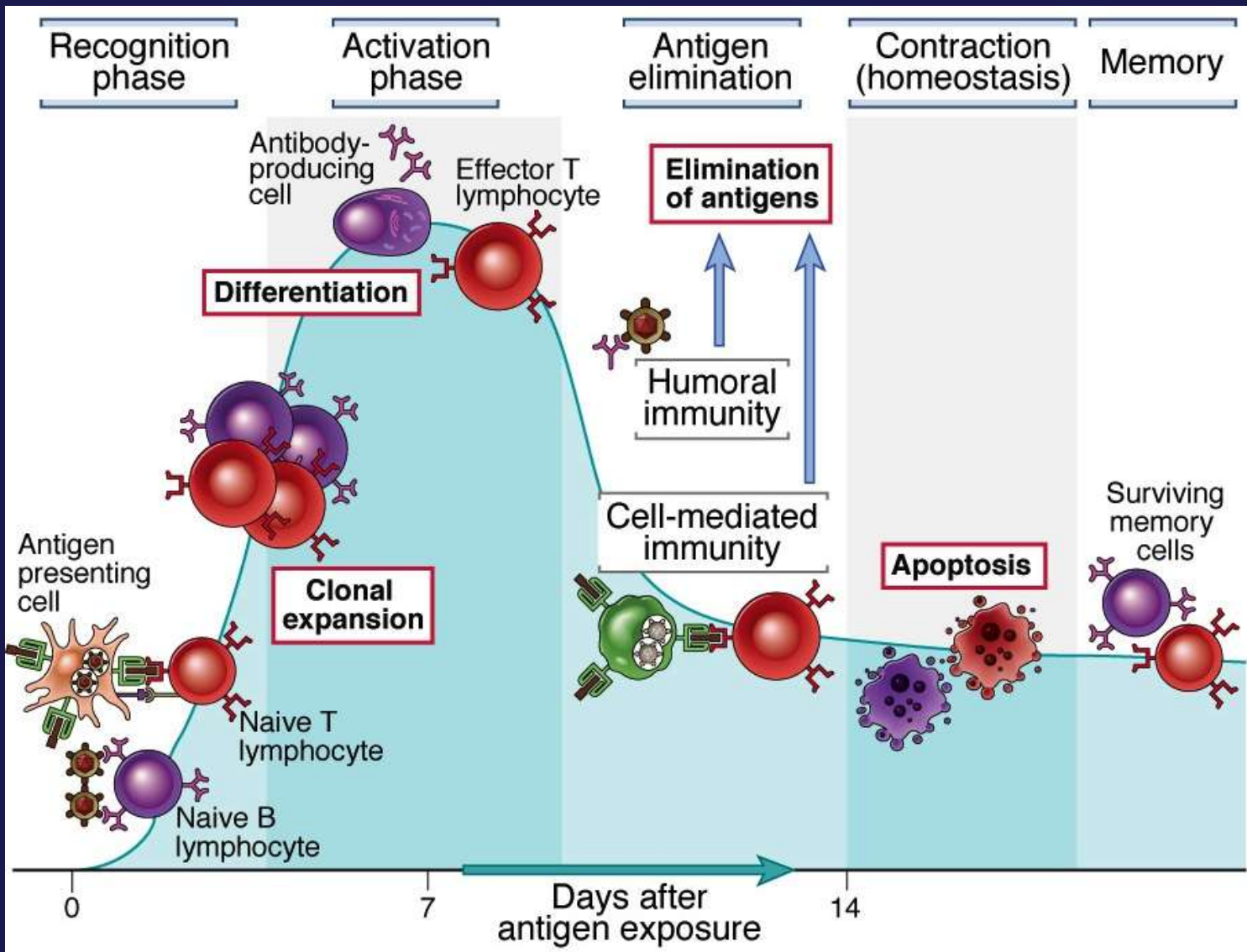


# TYPES OF ADAPTIVE IMMUNITY



*Different types of immune responses are mediated by different classes of lymphocytes and defend against different types of microbes*

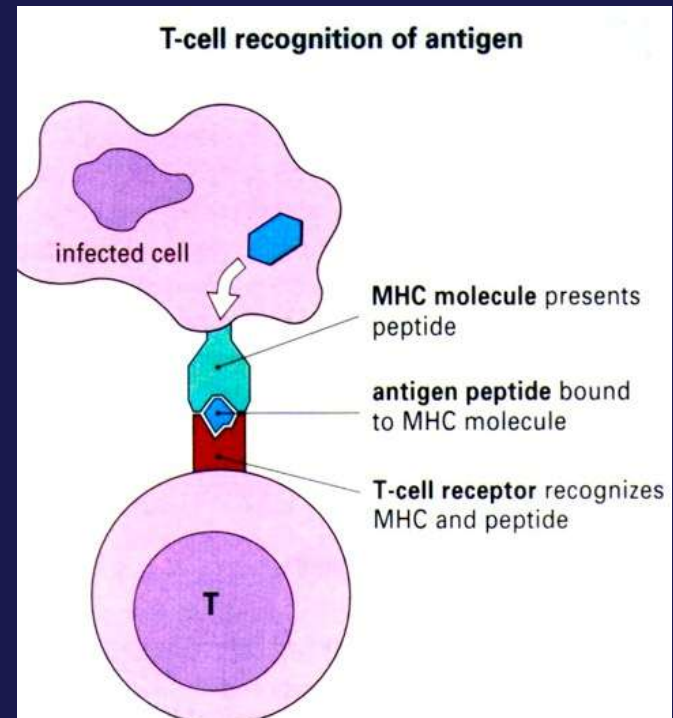
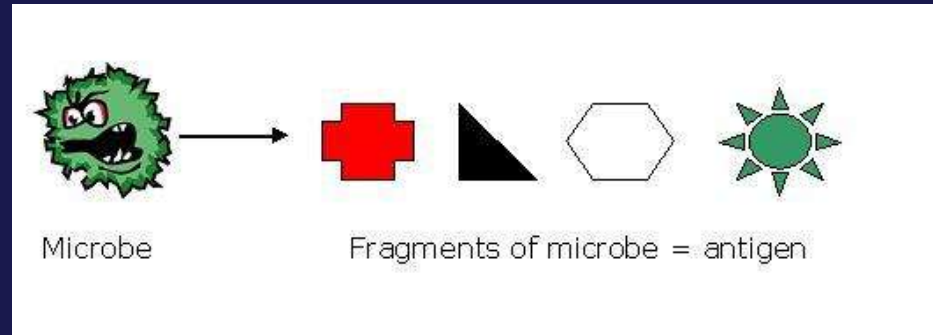
# PHASES OF ADAPTIVE IMMUNE RESPONSES



*Need for proliferation and differentiation results in delay (typically 4-7 days) in the adaptive immune response*

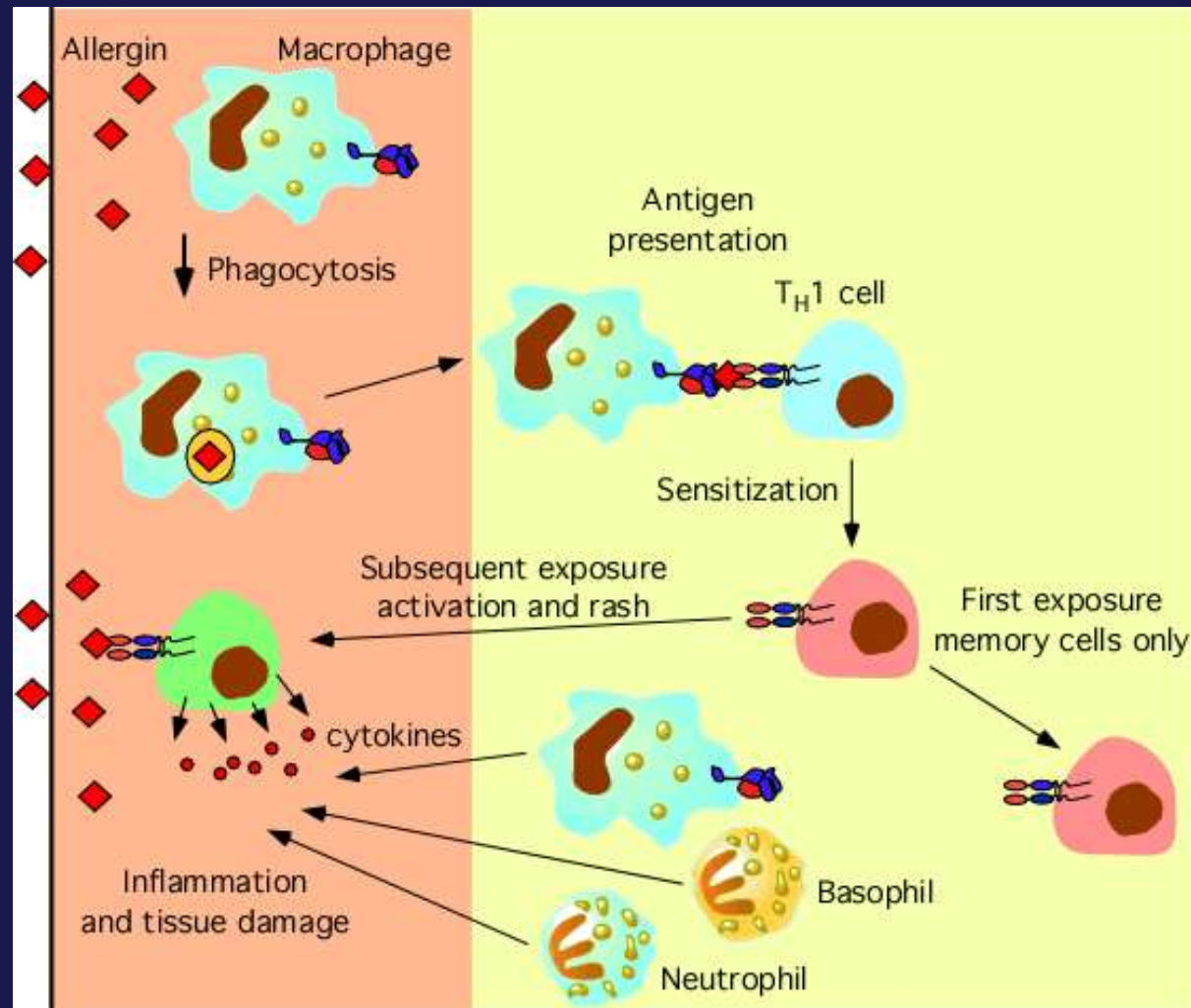
# SPECIFIC IMMUNITY

- **Specificity:** based on shape recognition of cell surface antigens
- **Diversity:** Any shape can be recognized by a B or T-lymphocytes and trigger an immune reaction
- **Memory:** once a pathogen has activated the immune system, memory cells remain and will protect against a secondary infection
- **Self-tolerance:** the immune system does not attack itself



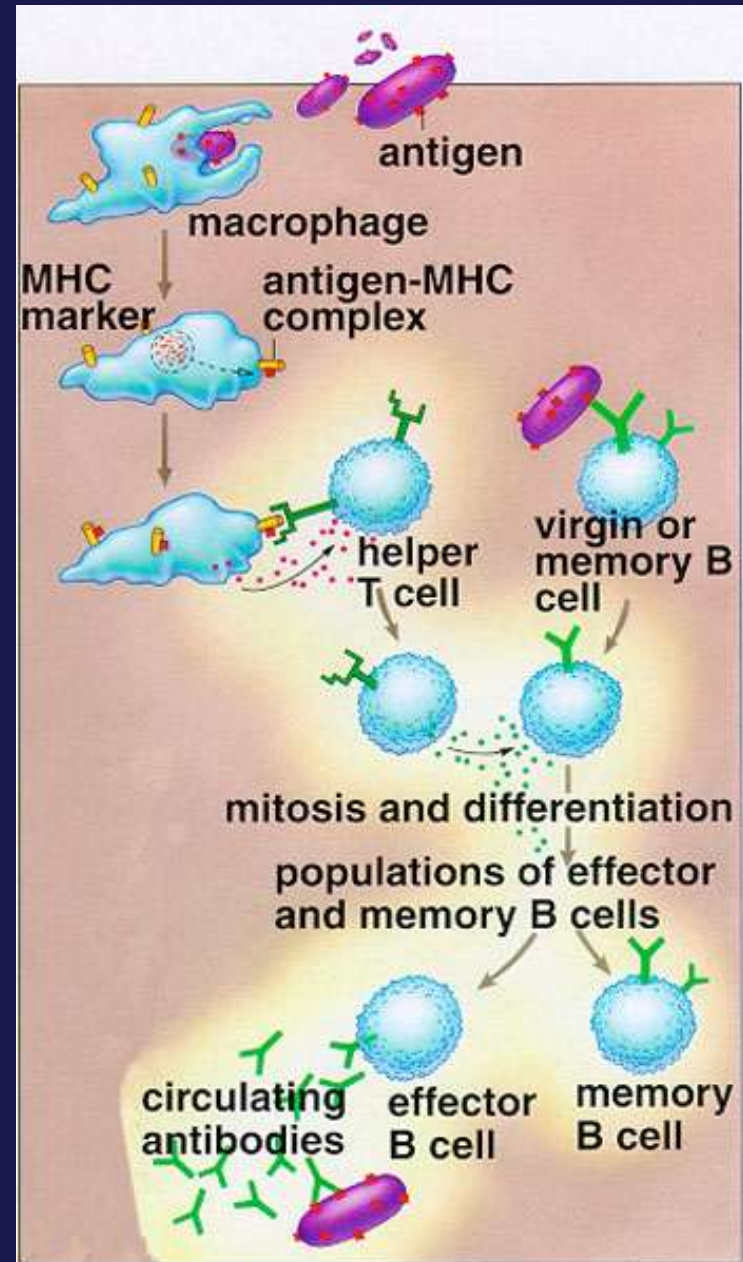
# SPECIFIC IMMUNITY = THE PLAYERS

- Macrophages (antigen presenting cell = APC): phagocytize pathogens and present antigens to helper-T lymphocytes
- Helper-T lymphocytes: secrete lymphokines and activate B and killer T lymphocytes
- B-lymphocytes: multiply and specialize into plasma cells → secrete antibodies
- Killer-T lymphocytes: kill (through lysis) infected or cancerous cells



# ANTIBODY-MEDIATED (HUMORAL) IMMUNITY = AMI

- 1- Macrophages phagocytize a pathogen and present an antigen to a matching helper-T cell
- 2- At the same time, some pathogens contact B-cells matching the pathogen's antigens
- The helper-T cells multiply, secrete lymphokines which stimulate the B-cells to multiply and specialize into plasma cells
- The plasma cells secrete antibodies



*Thank you!*