

# PLAGUES IN MAN

## THE HUMAN HOST

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- II. NONSPECIFIC DEFENSES
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      - a. SKIN LAYERS
      - b. pH (BETWEEN 3 & 5)
      - c. FATTY ACIDS
      - d. SEBUM
    - 2. MUCOUS MEMBRANES
      - a. MUCUS SECRETING CELLS
      - b. CILIATED CELLS
      - c. LAVAGING
    - 3. SPECIAL ENZYMES
      - a. LYSOZYME
      - b. PROTEASES
    - 4. THE pH OF THE STOMACH
    - 5. THE EYE (TEARS AND LYSOZYME)
  - B. PHAGOCYTOSIS
    - 1. BLOOD CELL TYPES
      - a. ERYTHROCYTES
      - b. THROMBOCYTES
      - c. LEUKOCYTES
        - 1) LYMPHOCYTES
        - 2) GRANULOCYTES (NEUTROPHILS)
        - 3) MONOCYTES --> MACROPHAGE
    - 2. PROCESS
      - a. CHEMOTAXIS
      - b. ADHERENCE
      - c. INGESTION
      - d. DIGESTION - 2 TYPES
        - 1) ENZYMATIC REACTIONS
        - 2) O<sub>2</sub> REACTIONS
  - C. INFLAMMATION -- "rubror et tumor cum calore et dolore"
    - 1. VASODILATION & PHAGOCYTE MIGRATION
    - 2. PHAGOCYTOSIS
    - 3. RESOLUTION
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    - 5. PAIN (PRESSURE; BRADYKININS, PROSTAGLANDINS)
  - D. COMPLEMENT
    - 1. THE COMPLEMENT CASCADE
    - 2. CYTOLYSIS
    - 3. OPSONIZATION
  - E. INTERFERONS (IFNs)
    - 1. INDUCTION
    - 2. MODE OF ACTION
      - a. INHIBIT PROTEIN SYNTHESIS
      - b. REQUIRE ds RNA (VIRAL BYPRODUCT)

[THE HUMAN HOST: HOST DEFENSES (cont.)]

III. SPECIFIC DEFENSES: THE IMMUNE RESPONSE

- A. ACQUIRED IMMUNITY
  - 1. NATURALLY ACQUIRED ACTIVE
  - 2. NATURALLY ACQUIRED PASSIVE
  - 3. ARTIFICIALLY ACQUIRED ACTIVE (IMMUNIZATION & VACCINES)
  - 4. ARTIFICIALLY ACQUIRED PASSIVE (ANTISERUM &  $\gamma$ -GLOBULIN)
- B. DUALITY OF THE IMMUNE SYSTEM
  - 1. THE HUMORAL IMMUNE SYSTEM
    - a. B-CELLS --> ANTIBODY PRODUCTION
    - b. INACTIVATES (BINDS TO) ANTIGENS (TOXINS AND VIRUSES), OPSONIZES CELLS & ACTIVATES COMPLEMENT
  - 2. CELL-MEDIATED IMMUNE SYSTEM
    - a. T-CELLS & CELL-KILLING ACTIVITY
    - b. RECOGNIZES (AND Lyses) FOREIGN CELLS OR HOST CELLS WITH FOREIGN ANTIGENS ON THE SURFACE
- C. HUMORAL IMMUNITY
  - 1. ANTIGENS
    - a. PROTEINS AND PROTEIN CONJUGATES
    - b. LARGE CARBOHYDRATES
    - c. ANTIGENIC DETERMINANTS
      - 1) SMALL SPECIFIC REGION OF PROTEIN OR
      - 2) HAPTENS--SMALL MOLECULES + CARRIER PROTEIN
  - 2. ANTIBODIES
    - a. STRUCTURE
      - 1) HEAVY CHAIN (5 TYPES- $\gamma$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\epsilon$ )
      - 2) LIGHT CHAIN (2 TYPES- $\kappa$ ,  $\lambda$ )
      - 3) VARIABLE (V) AND CONSTANT (Fc) REGIONS  
IgG, IgM, IgA, IgD & IgE
    - b. FUNCTIONS
    - c. PRODUCTION BY MATURE B-CELLS (PLASMA CELLS)
    - d. T-DEPENDENT ANTIGENS
      - 1) ANTIGEN PRESENTING CELLS
      - 2)  $T_H$ -CELLS
    - e. MEMORY B-CELLS
  - 3. ANTIBODY DIVERSITY
    - a. HEAVY CHAIN GENE
      - 1) V, D, J AND C REGIONS
      - 2) DNA REARRANGEMENTS
      - 3) RNA SPLICING
    - b. LIGHT CHAIN GENES ( $\kappa$  AND  $\lambda$ )
- D. CELL-MEDIATED IMMUNITY
  - 1. T-CELL TYPES
  - 2. T-CELL ACTIVATION
  - 3. KILLER CELLS
- E. CLONAL SELECTION AND MEMORY
  - 1. PRIMARY RESPONSE
  - 2. ANAMNESTIC RESPONSE