

ALAYEN UNIVERSITY

ANESTHESIA DEPARTMENT

FIREST STAGE

BIOLOGY

BLOOD

Composition and Functions

HAP Unit 5th

INTRODUCTION



COMPOSITION OF BLOOD



PLASMA

Pale yellow fluid consist of water and its dissolved constituents including especially proteins (such as albumin, fibrinogen, and globulins)

WATER(91.5%)	Liquid portion of blood. Acts as suspending medium for components of blood; absorbs, transports and releases heat.
PLASMA PROTEIN(7.0%)	which helps maintain water balance between blood and tissues and regulates blood volume.
ALBUMIN	Smallest and most numerous blood plasma proteins; produces by liver.
GLOBULINS	Produces by liver. Antibodies help attack viruses and bacteria. Alpha and beta globulins transport iron, lipids and fat soluble vitamin.
FIBRINOGEN	Produces by liver. Plays essential role in blood clotting.

OTHER SOLUTES(1.5%) ELECTROLYTES	Inorganic salts include Na ⁺ ,K ⁺ ,Ca ⁺ ,Mg ²⁺⁻ . Help maintain osmotic pressure and plays essential roles in function of cells.	
NUTRIENTS	Products of digestion pass into blood for distribution to all body cells. Includes amino acids(from proteins), glucose(from carbohydrates), fatty acids and glycerol(from triglycerides), vitamins and minerals.	
GASES	Oxygen, Carbon dioxide and Nitrogen.	
REGULATORY SUBSTANCES	Enzymes,. Hormones, Vitamins.	
WASTE PRODUCTS	Include urea, uric acid, creatinine, ammonia.	

FORMED ELEMENTS

NAME AND APPEARANCE	NUMBER	CHARACTERSTICS*	FUNCTIONS
Red Blood Cells(RBCs) or Erythrocytes	4.8 million/μL in females 4.5 million/μL in males	7-8 μm diameter, biconcave discs, without nuclei; live for about 120 days.	Hemoglobin within RBCs transports most of the oxygen and part of carbon dioxide in the blood.
White Blood Cells(WBCs) or Leukocytes	5000-10,000/μL	Most live for a few hours to a few days. Some called T and B memory cells can live for many years.	Combat pathogen and other foreign substances that enter the body.
Granular Leukocytes Neutrophiles	60%-70% of all WBCs	10-12µm diameter; nucleus has 2-5 lobes connected by thin strands of chromatin; cytoplasm has granules.	Phagocytosis.

Eosinophils	2-4% of all WBCs	10-12μm diameter; nucleus usually has 2 lobes connected by s thick strand of chromatin.	Eliminates parasites, such as worms which are too big to be phagocytosed
Basophils	0.5-1% of all WBCs	8-10μm diameter; nucleus has 2 lobes.	Liberate heparin, histamine and serotonin.
Agranular Leukocytes Lymphocytes (T cells, B cells & natural killer cells)	20-25% of all WBCs	Small lymphocytes are 6- 9μm in diameter; large lymphocytes are 10-14μm in diameter; nucleus is round.	Medium immune response, including antigen-antibody reactions.

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Platelets(Thrombocytes)	150,000- 400,000/μL	2-3μm diameter cell fragments that live for 5- 9days;	Form platelet plug in homeostasis; release chemicals that promote vascular spasm and blood clotting.

FUNCTIONS OF BLOOD

TRANSPORTATION

- Respiration
- Nutrient carrier from GIT
- Transportation of hormones from endocrine glands
- Transports metabolic wastes

REGULATION

- Regulates pH
- Adjusts and maintains body temperature
- Maintains water content of cells

PROTECTION

- WBC protects against disease by phagocytosis
- Reservoir for substances like water, electrolyte etc.
- Performs haemostasis

THANK YOU!