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Erythropoiesis

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Objectives:

- 1- Define Erythropoiesis; leucopoiesis; thrombopoiesis.
- 2-Recognize sites of RBC formation at different developmental age.
- 3- Describe different stages of RBC differentiation.
- 4- Describe features of RBC maturation.

5- Describe regulation of RBC production & erythropoietin hormone secretion in response to Hypoxia.

6- Recognize clinical conditions associated with high level of erythropoietin in the blood.



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Blood Cells Formation



Erythropoiesis: Formation of RBC (erythrocytes)



Leucopoiesis: Formation of WBC (leucocytes)



Thrombopoiesis: Formation of platelets (thrombocytes)

> Erythro = red Leuco = white Poiesis = formation

Red Blood Cells (RBC):

Function:

• 02 transport

- CO2 transport
- Buffer

Shape & size

- Flat Biconcave Disc.
- Non-nucleated. (we need space for Hb)
- Diameter 7-8
- Flexible (to enter the capillaries)
- Average volume 90-95 µm3

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- Number = 4.7 5 x106
- Hb = 14-16 g/dl



Production of RBC

After Birth:

In-utero:

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Early few weeks (first 3 months) of embryo nucleated RBCs are formed in yolk sac.

> Middle trimester (3-6) mainly in liver & spleen & lymph nodes

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Bone marrow of flat bone continue to produce RBC into adult life.

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Shaft of long bone stop to produce RBC at puberty while epiphysis continue.

Last months (6-9) RBCs are formed in bone marrow of all bones

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Bone marrow is disappeared from some places



normal bone marrow conversion





Pluripotent Stem Cells in Bone Marrow & Cord Blood



Figure 1: Hematopoiesis in Bone Marrow

Genesis (Production) of RBC

All blood cell are formed from Pluripotential hematopoietic stem cells —> committed cells:

- Committed stem cells for RBC.
- Committed stem cells for WBC.
- Growth of different stems cells are controlled by different growth factors. (الي قبل)



RBCs Erythropoiesis Factors

Oxygen supply to the tissues (Hypoxia).

> Dietary requirements (Vitamins – Iron – Copper – Cobalt – Zinc – Other elements)

Healthy organs: -Bone marrow -Liver - Kidney

> Hormones (Erythropoietin – Androgens – Thyroxin – Cortisol)

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Erythropoiesis

*In cases of rapid RBC production: it will increase reticulocytes in the circulation. (normal reticulocytes percentage is 2%)

RBC development is characterized by:

- Decrease in cell size.
- Disappearance of nucleus.
- Appearance of hemoglobin (Hb)

Causes of Decreased Oxygen supply to the tissues (Hypoxia):

High Altitudes

Hematological disorders

Cardiac or respiratory diseases.(Prolong heart failure and lung disease)

Defective tissue utilization(e.g.Drugs & Toxins)

Relative deficiency(increased demands as in athletes)

Stagnation of blood flow (Thrombosis or Embolism)

Low RBC count (Anaemia)

Hemorrhage

Erythropoiesis is stimulated by erythropoietin hormone produced by the kidney in response to hypoxia (low oxygen in the blood)

Erythropoietin:



- 90% from renal cortex 10% liver. Stimulate the growth of early stem cells.
- Does not affect maturation process.
- Can be measured in plasma & urine.

conditions like:

- High altitude
- Heart failure
- Lung Disease

Clinical Correlation: In severe renal diseases, the person becomes invariably very anemic as

the liver cannot compensate for the role of kidneys in the release of erythropoietin. Anemia of renal disease is treated with erythropoietin

 Result in High erythropoietin levels and polycythemia



Role of the kidneys in RBC formation



Hemoglobin (Hb)

- Hb molecule consists of 4 chains
- Each formed of heme & polypeptide chain (globin)
- Globular protein

Accounts for >95% of protein in RBC Main Functions: Transportation of respiratory gases. It carries ~98.5% of all O2

Hb Content of Blood: Concentration of Hb in the Blood:

Measured as g/dl (grams per deciliter, or 100ml)

Average Values:

Male: 13.5-17.5 g/dl (16 g/dl) Female: 12-15.5 g/dl (14 g/dl) Infants: 14-19 g/dl Concentration of plasma proteins = 7 g/dl

Function of Hb: In girls' slides: Hb binds CO2 to form carboxyhemaglobin. In boys' slides: Hb binds CO2 to form carbaminohemoglobin.

Gases transport (O2 & CO2)
Hb binds O2 or form oxyhemoglobin
Hb binds CO2 to form carbaminohemoglobin

1. Buffeer (balances the ph)

Structure:

Composed of 4 subunits, each unit contains Heme (iron-porphyrin) Iron in the heam is ferrous (Fe2+), combines reversibly with oxygen

Each gram of pure hemoglobin is capable of combining with 1.34 ml of oxygen

Therefore, in a normal man a maximum of about 20 milliliters of oxygen can be carried in combinational with hemoglobin in each 100 milliners of blood, and in a normal woman 19 milliliters of oxygen can be carried

Types of Hemoglobin



Hb - A 2 alpha + 2 beta chains Only Boys Slide

[®]Abnormal types of Hemoglobin

Abnormality in the polypeptide chain results in abnormal Hb [hemoglobinopathies]

Thalassemia

Deceased synthesis in the globin in polypeptide chains (low hemoglobin)

Sickle cell disease

Abnormal sequence of the amino acids in the globin polypeptide chains

Effects of erythropoietin

Importance:

Tissue oxygenated is the most essential regulator of the RBC's production. The mechanism is via the stimulators effects of hypoxia on the release of erythropoietin hormone

Measured In:

In plasma and urine

Nature:

Glycoprotein with molecular weight = 34,000

Site of Action:

Bone Marrow

Site of release:

Mainly from the kidney (renal cortex) 90% Small amount from the liver 10%

Site of Action: Bone Marrow

Action:

Stimulate the growth and differentiation of hematopoietic stem cells (early stem cells) Doesn't affect maturation process

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Types of Anemia

	Normocytic (Normochromic)	Microcytic (Hypochromic)	Microcytic (Hypochromic)	
Causes	Aplastic Anemia Hemolytic Acute Hemorrhage	Iron Deficiency Anemia	Folate or Vitamin b12 Deficiency	\bigcirc
MCH Mean Cell Hemoglobin	Normal	Small	Large	
MCV Mean Cell Volume	Normal	Low	High	
Cytic : Size of RBC -Normo=Normal -Hypo=Smaller -Hyper=Larger			Normocytic normochromic Microcytic hypochromic	Macrocytic hyperchromic
Chromic : Color of RBC -Normo= Normal -Hypo=Lighter Red (Low H -Hyper=Darker red (High H	emoglobin) emoglobin)	Typochronue/Microsylie Normoelyline/Normoelylie	Maerocytic (Normochromic)	

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Vitamin B12



2. Autoimmune Deficiency of intrinsic factor (pernicious anemia)

Folic Acid



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Origin

Importance

Animal and Plant Sources (meat, liver, fruits, vegetables). Easily destroyed when cooked

Maturation factors for the RBC Essential for DNA synthesis and maturation

Storage

In the liver (In very small amounts) 442: it is stored for (1-2 months) and at maximum 3 months

Absorption

Causes of Deficiency Mainly in Jejunum

Dietary Deficiency (Important Cause)
2-Defective Absorption
3-Defective Storage

Manifestation of Deficiency

Macrocytic (Megaloblastic anemia) Abnormal large & Fragile Cells

Role of Different Organs in Erythropoiesis

Role of Liver:

Site of storage or synthesis of different substances

Synthesis of:

Globen (Protein part of hemoglobin)
15% of erythropoietin

Storage:

1)Vitamin B12
2)Ferritin (Storage form of iron)

Role of Bone Marrow:

Failure of the bone marrow to produce RBCs is known as (aplastic anemia)

Commonly associated with pancytopenia (decreases production of all types of blood cells)

Treatment depends on the cause

Role of the Kidney: Release of erythropoietin



1-Which type of hemoglobin has the highest affinity to oxygen?						
A- Hb-A	B-Hb-F	C-Hb-2A	D- Hb-d			
2-first 3 months of embryo nucleated RBCs are formed?						
A- yolk sac.	B- Blood	C- Liver	D- Spleen			
3 -Where does folic acid get absorbed?						
A- Dudonem	B- Jejunum	C- lleum	D- None of the above			
4 -A man found his RBc's are Macrocytic =, he is probably having deficiency?						
A- Iron	B- Vitamin B12	C- Vitamin c	D- None of the above			

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