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## Inflammation

Redness   Swelling   pain   Hotness   Loss of function

↑  
Signs

host cells

Chemical mediators

Blood vessels

involves three things:

Inflammation

- protective response, not a disease
- Self-controlled
- protects us from bacteria and injurious agents
- innate immune system  
(non-specific immune system)

What is collateral damage? The damage for our own cells caused by (unintended outcomes) the cells and chemical mediators produced by inflammation. That's why we take anti-inflammatory drugs.

\* Note: There is a good balance between inflammatory and anti-inflammatory mechanisms.

cells will undergo death by apoptosis  
chemical mediators will decay

Acute inflam.  
within 1 hour.

Main inflammatory cells: ① Neutrophils, First Line of defense.

chronic

② Monocyte ] 24-48 hours

③ Lymphocytes (B&T) & plasma cells. ] several days

+ Monocyte is the predominant cell in chronic inflam.

\* Note: All inflammatory cells have a receptor.

3 steps:

[1] Recognition → receptors  
pattern-recognition → Non-specific receptors

[2] Vasodilation → The cell signals for more cells to move to the inflammatory site

- Redness ← As a result vasodilation  
- Hotness  
- Swelling  
- Pain

[3] Transmigration: cells migrate blood  $\xrightarrow{\text{capillaries}}$  tissues

- Directional movement (Chemoattraction)  
- Movement toward the infectious agent.

\* difference between

hotness and fever  
↓  
Localized

infection & inflammation

↓  
Disease

- protective mechanism

- sign of inflammation

Not necessarily

\* infection causes inflammation,

- related to vasodilation

a sign of inflammation

but it's not only the only cause.

- related to mediators (PGIs)

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So, back to receptors:

## Receptors

Specific receptors

- Detect one specific antigen.

used in immunologic reactions.

Toll-like receptors



Only recognize infectious agents.

Such as LPS, DNA, RNA, endotoxins...

Found either on the plasma membrane / inside the cytoplasm.

So, they can recognise extracellular & ingested microbes.

(in bacteria)  $\xrightarrow{\text{infection}}$  nucleus  
translational transcription  $\xrightarrow{\text{mRNA, DNA}}$

↳ Synthesis of inflammatory mediators

## Inflammasomes

multi-protein cytoplasmic complexes.

Recognises products of cell injury,

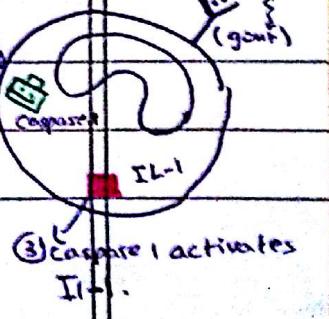
for example: DNA in the cytoplasm, mitochondrial components leaking out, crystals

= purine, uric acid crystals  $\rightarrow$  inflammasomes

like Toll-like receptors are either found in the cell membrane or inside the cytoplasm.

Q\* How can we stop the inflammatory response?

By blocking IL-1



Back to the second step:

Vascular changes in acute inflammation

The first thing that happens → transient vasoconstriction for 1 or 2 seconds  
(Due to neural reflex)

increase in

permeability

most common mechanisms of vasodilation:

1) contraction of endothelial cells → Gap junctions widens → lymphocyte move out.  
\* immediate but short lived.

cause / common Signal (mediator)  $\Rightarrow$  Histamine  
because it is the

2) Endothelial cell damage:

first to act not the most potent

Any destruction to endothelial cells → increased permeability.

\* can start immediately but lasts for several hours/days.

3) Transcytosis:

Transcellular transport of certain extracellular components.

new blood vessels are formed.

4) Angiogenesis (Neovascularization)

- Because they are not well-formed. → high permeability.

\* inflammation. vasodilation  $\rightarrow$  ↑ permeability, cells & fluids move out

Edema

Exudate

Transudate

- cells, cellular debris, proteins

go out

- high specific gravity.

change in pressure  $\rightarrow$  water

only goes out. ( $L_p$ )

- Low specific gravity.

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## Initial step (Leukocyte recruitment)

Driving WBCs toward the infection site.

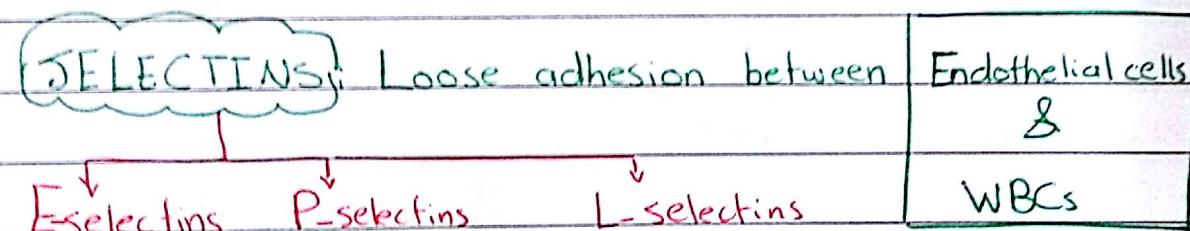
Steps **[1] Margination** **[2] Rolling** **[3] firm adhesion** **[4] Transmigration**  
**[5] Chemotaxis**.

**[1] Margination:** Moving of WBCs toward the margins of blood vessels, in order to reach the tissue (site of infection).

Vasodilation → water moves out → blood becomes more viscous  
Development of ← 3o WBCs will ←  
stasis move slower.

Imp The only PHYSICAL step.

**[2] Rolling:** Loose attachment and detachment of WBCs to the endothelial cells → most of the Kinetic energy will be lost → stop completely



Endothelium platelets and Leukocytes  
endothelium.

Note: Selectins will be expressed ONLY when the inflammation starts (They need to be synthesized).

Cytokines → increase the expression of selectins → Synthesis or Secretion of selectins.

### ③ Firm adhesion:-

BY INTEGRINS

عن طريق selectin ligands على المثلث

- IL-1 & TNF activate endothelial cells to express integrin ligands

Inactive integrin Chemical mediator → Active integrin

[1] conformational changes.

[2] Polymerization.

### ④ Transmigration:

(WBCs / blood → tissue)

- Stimulated by chemoKines.

- WBCs have to penetrate two barrier which are the endothelial cells & the cell membrane.

### ⑤ Endothelial cells:-

Contraction of endothelial cells → permeability increases → WBCs will

↑ The 1st mechanism alone is not enough - squeeze through gap junctions.

⑥ PECAM1 → Binds to WBCs and helps them leave vessels through junctions.

### ⑦ Cell membrane:

No junctions / its just supportive

So, how can they go out? They'll break the basement membrane through enzymes (collagenases for example).

\* How do WBCs move? Through Diapedesis forming pseudopods

Amoeba. 31 (5)

## 5] Chemotaxis:-

WBCs → injurious agent

This needs certain mediators,  $\rightarrow$  bacterial products

- Cytokines, especially chemokines (IL-8)
  - complement component (C5a)
  - Products of arachidonic acid (Leukotriens B<sub>4</sub>)

**Leukocyte activation** → To get rid of the injurious agent.

Through phagocytosis: Macrophages & neutrophils  
Three steps

- \* Recognition; can recognize host proteins which are the opsonins.
  - \* Engulfment
  - \* Killing of the  $\alpha\beta\gamma$  happens inside our body = P
  - \* Killing by Lysosomal enzymes such as (intracellular) acid hydrolases (elastase).

PmD

3 steps of forming these radicals:

Oxygen superoxide

O<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> + H<sub>2</sub>O → Oxygen Superoxide → Hydrogen peroxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)  
 O<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> enzyme ← in neutrophils.      Hydrogen peroxide → Myeloperoxidase → OCl<sup>-</sup> → extremely toxic.

Notes: viral infections → Lymphocytes first reacts.

Eosinophils → Allergic reactions:

2- Intracellular destruction of phagocytosed microbes and dead cells.

3- Production of mediators.

4- Liberation of substances that kill extracellular microbes and dead tissues

→ Ex: NET → Trap.

Neutrophil ← ↓ Extracellular

- Extracellular fibrillar networks produced  
\* by neutrophils, in response to an extracellular  
infection.

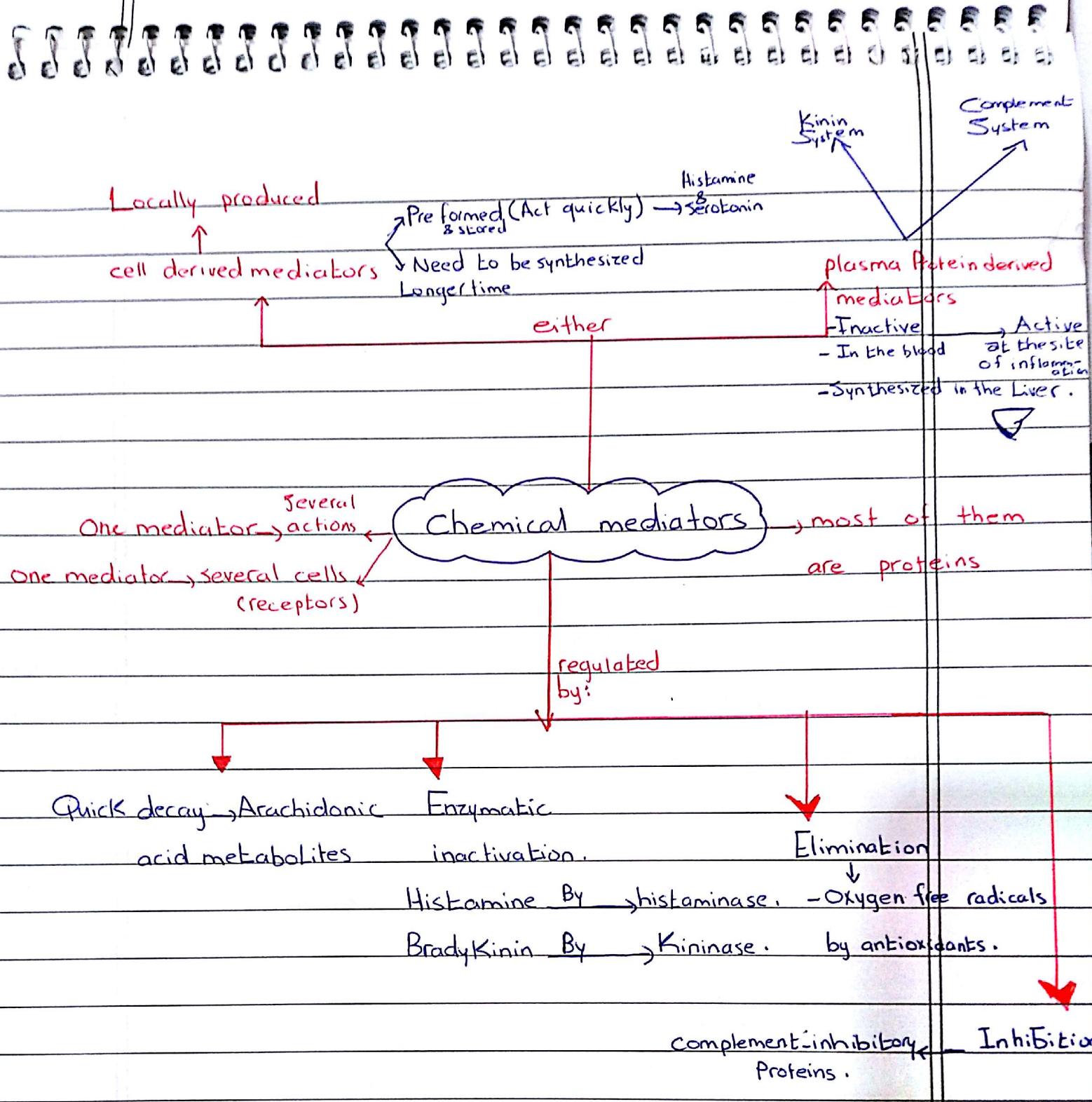
contain nuclear chromatin and enzymes.

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الحزانه (١)

Killing loop  
inside = P

The Killing happens ← Trap & Kill infectious agents  
outside the cell!

The trap contains: opening ←  
\* Anti-microbial  
Substances like Lysosomal enzymes  
and Toxic materials, DNA ⇒ irreversible injury.



## Families of chemical

## mediators

cell derived

presynthesized

need to be synthesized  
Arachidonic acid

## metabolites

- present in cell membrane

## Serotonin

### Sc histamine

<sup>imp</sup>  
↓ Vasoconstrictor

$A_2$  releases it from membrane ~~cytoplasm~~

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- 20 carbons 14 double bonds.

### -Vasodilation

-↑ permeability

Edema

— Preformed in

mast cells, basophils & platelets.

Inactivated by histaminase.

## Phospholipid

## phospholipase A<sub>2</sub>

## Arachidonic acid

## Two families of enzymes

## Cyclooxygenase

## Lipoxygenase

## Lipoxins

GIF<sub>2</sub>  $\leftrightarrow$  Prostaglandins

$\text{TXA}_2$   $\leftarrow$  Thromboxane

LTA<sub>4</sub>, LTB<sub>4</sub> → Leukotriens

## Cyclooxygenase pathway:-

produces:

PG E<sub>2</sub>

PG D<sub>2</sub>

Same effect

Vasodilation.

Edema.

Pain & Fever

PG I<sub>2</sub> (Prostacyclin)

Thromboxane A<sub>2</sub>

PG I<sub>2</sub>

Thromboxane A<sub>2</sub>

- Produced from  
endothelial cells by  
prostacyclin Synthase.

Vasodilation

- inhibits platelet  
aggregation.

- produced from platelets  
by Thromboxane Synthase

Thromboxane A<sub>2</sub>

vasoconstriction

- platelet aggregation  
& clot formation.

## Lipoxygenase pathway:

- Leukotriens

imp. LT B<sub>4</sub>, chemotactic agent

that is produced mainly in  
neutrophils.

LTC<sub>4</sub>

LTD<sub>4</sub> causes l-bronchospasm.

LTE<sub>4</sub>

↑ vascular permeability

- produced mainly in mast  
cells.

Lipoxins.

LXA<sub>4</sub>

LXB<sub>4</sub>

imp. \* Anti-inflammatory effect.

- inhibit neutrophil adhesion  
& chemotaxis.

## Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory

drugs

COX<sub>1</sub>



TXA<sub>2</sub>

↓  
Vasoconstrictor & platelet agonist

- antitrombotic activity

COX<sub>2</sub>

↓

PG I<sub>2</sub>

↓  
vasoconstrictor &  
inhibitor of platelet  
aggregation

→ prothrombotic activity

## Chemical mediators — continued.

— Endothelial activation.

1+ Cytokines: TNF      Stimulate expression of Adhesion molecules on endothelial cells.

IL-1

Systemic effects: fever, Lethargy, Decreased blood pressure.

IL-6

— Chemokines: For chemotaxis

most imp chemotactic agent: IL8

2. Neuropeptides: Substance P

Transmit pain signals

(secretions) prostaglandins ↪

3. Nitric Oxide: (NO) Source of nitrogen free radicals

[imp in phagocytosis]

Synthesized by Nitric Oxide Synthase.

No role in inflammation ↪ Type 1: Neuronal has several types (NOS)

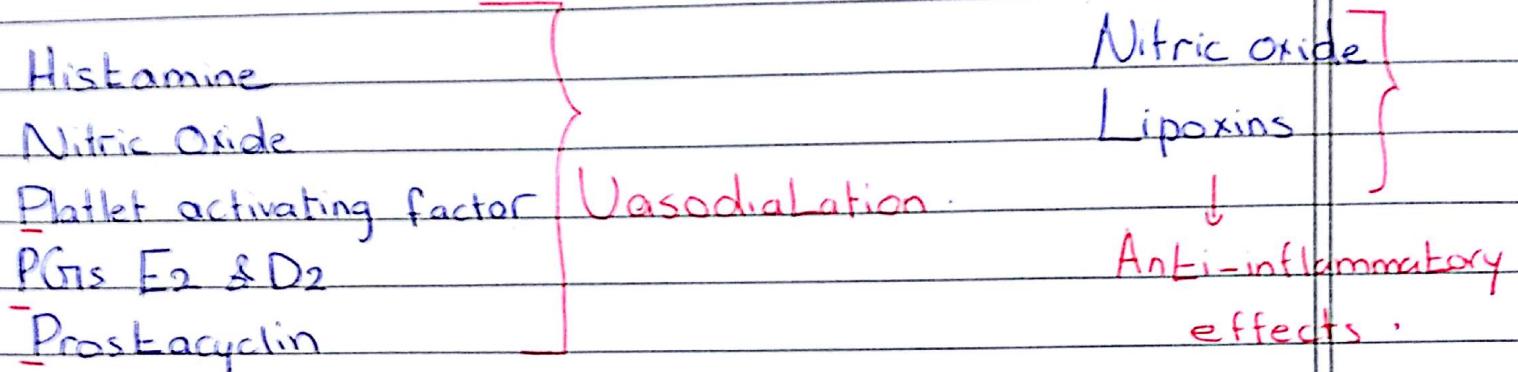
• imp. role in inflammation. ↪ Type 2: Inducible in macrophages & endothelial cells.

Type 3: secreted in endothelial cells  
imp in vasodilation.

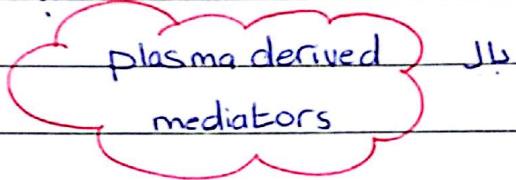
→ Effects of NO: — Microbicidal Vasodilator

Lipoprotein

Anti-inflammatory effect ↪ Reduced Leukocyte recruitment



1. In cell-derived mediators (IL-1, IL-6)



1 Complement System

2 Coagulation System

3 Kinin System.

\* They are synthesized in the Liver under the influence of IL-6.

## II Complement System:

$$(C_1 \rightarrow C_9)$$

- One complement activates the others, So all the complement chemotactic agents System becomes activated.

- other mediators stimulate the complement System Such as cytokines & Kinin System mediators.

Three pathways by which

the complement System is activated

Classical pathway

During immunological reactions

(Antigen - Antibody).

Alternative pathway

Bacterial (polysaccharides)

+ complement component  
(direct contact)

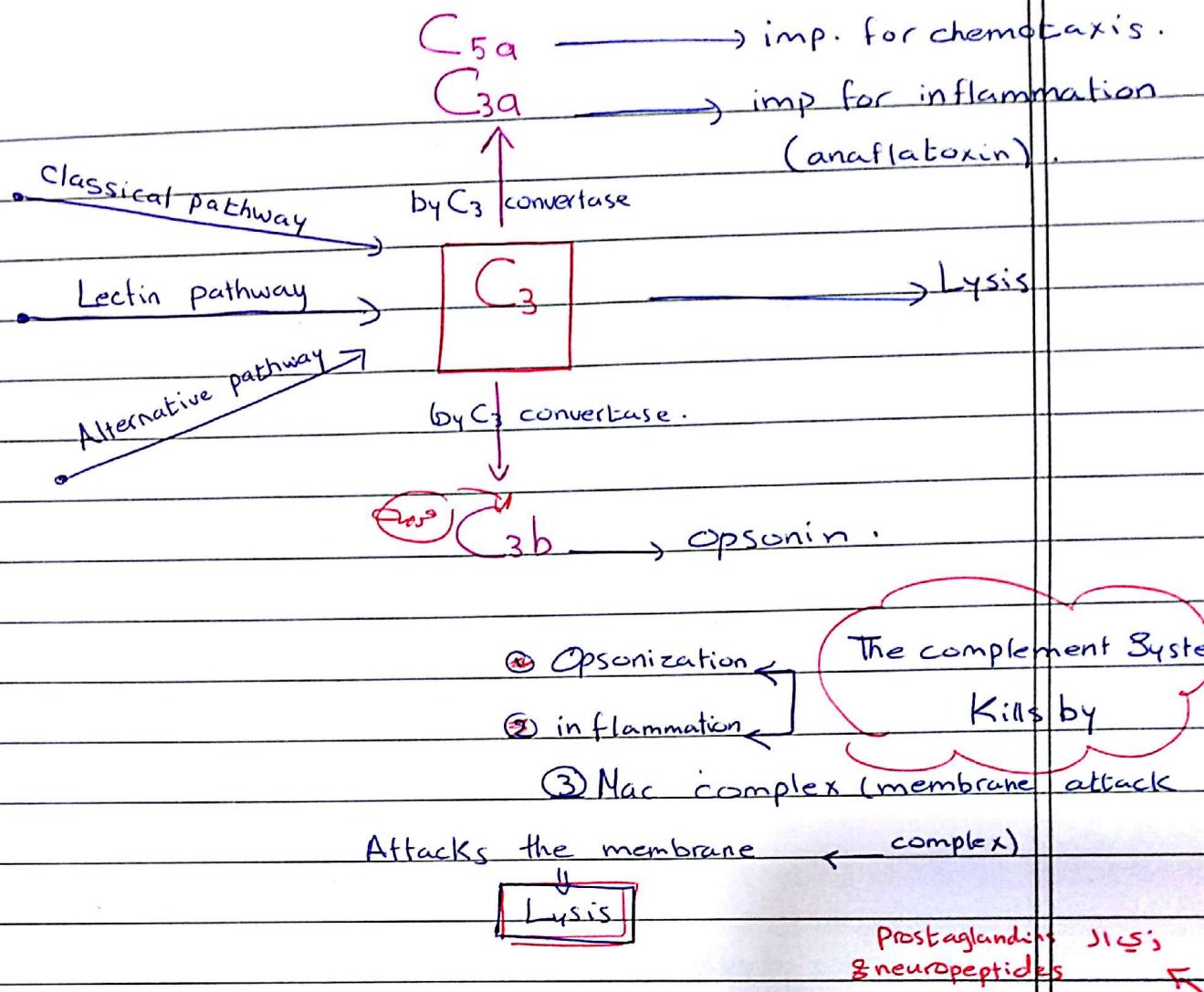
Lectin-mannose pathway

Sugar from our

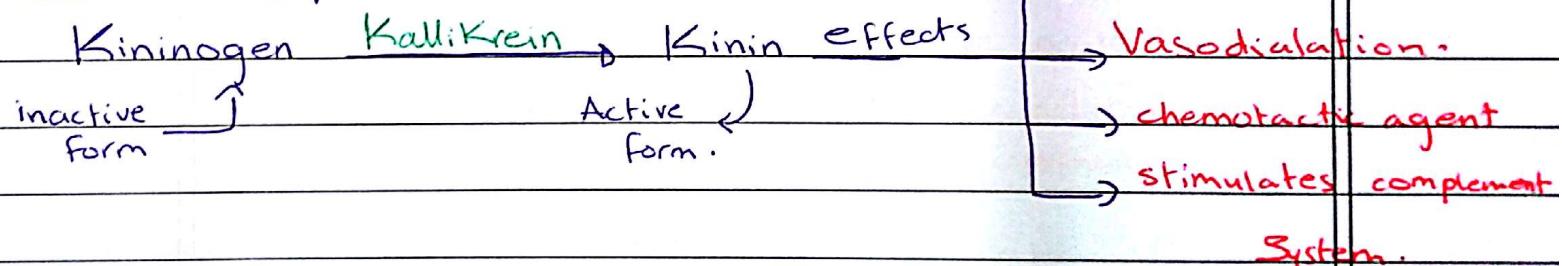
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+

mannose from  
the microbe

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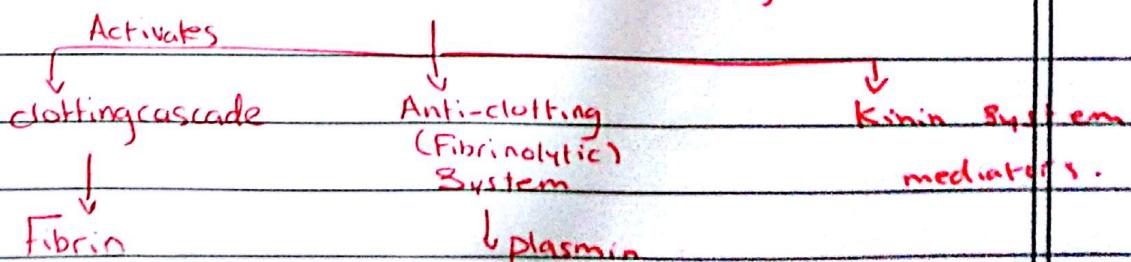


## ② Kinin System



## ③ Coagulation System:

### HAGEMAN FACTOR (coagulation factor 12)



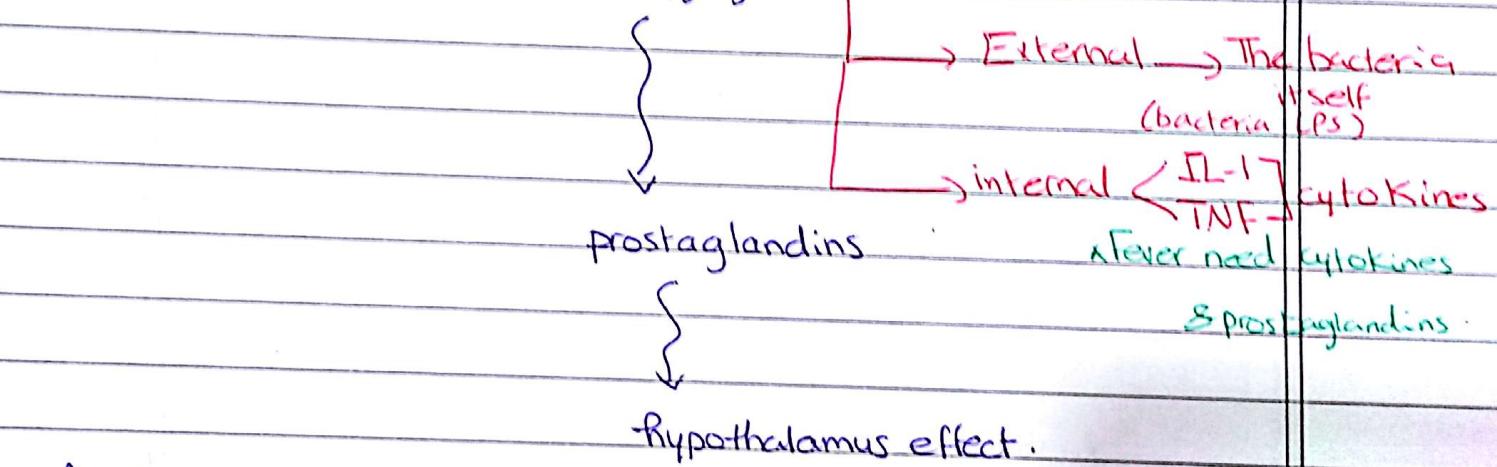
- Systemic effects of inflammation - Acute phase proteins.

1) Fever

- 2) increased heart rate & blood pressure.
- 3) Leukocytosis (increase no. of WBCs in the blood). but they are inactive Caused by cytokines
- 4) ↑ acute phase proteins (TNF, IL-1, IL-6)

Fever

→ starts with pyrogens



- Acute phase proteins:-

- Some types of inflammation increase the acute phase proteins:-

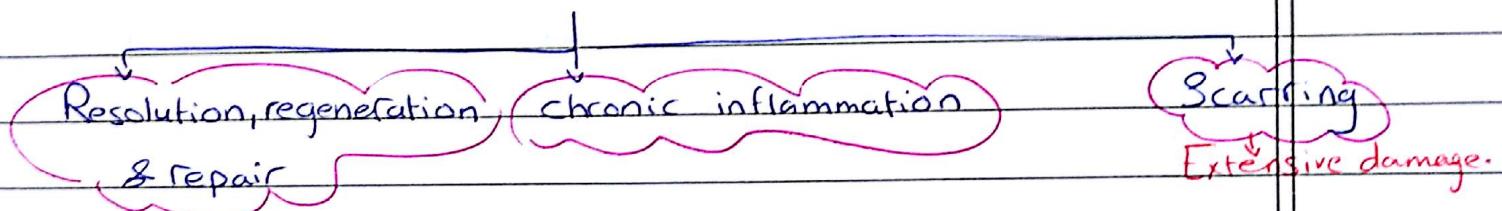
- \* CRP → C reactive protein →  $\alpha_1, \beta_1$  - They act as opsonins.
- \* SAA → Serum Amyloid protein
- \* Fibrinogen → ↑ Fibrinogen → ↑ Aggregation.

(\*) \* Under the influence of fibrinogen → ESR increases

Erythrocyte sedimentation rate

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## Outcomes of acute inflammation



## Morphologic patterns of inflammation:-

From mildest → most severe.

### 1] Serous inflammation: Vasodilation

doesn't mean ← Transudate & changes in pressure. (mild inflammation)  
zero cells  
but they are minimal, occasional

- *انجذاب السوائل* (Absorption of fluid)

blister (epidermis + dermis) → Fluid.  
what is the outcome  
Resolution ← imp

### 2] Fibrinous inflammation: water + fibrin

(mesh work of fibrin)

— what we can see under the microscope

complete resolution

Fibrin

or scarring may happen depending (Polymerization)

on the severity,

— Damage will happen to the pericardium  
(not) the heart itself.

### 3] Suppurative:

Pus ← neutrophils.

usually → Severe enough to cause scar.

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④ Ulcer: I'm losing the tissue.

usually doesn't happen in a solid organ (Liver, Lung)  
examples: stomach ulcer (peptic ulcer), esophageal ulcer.

### Chronic inflammation

- The cells have changed neutrophils → mononuclear cells  
(polynuclear)

So the most dominant cells in chronic inflammation → Monocytes (Macrophages). Macrophages: kidney shaped

- tissue destruction, repair } also present in acute inflammation  
(Angiogenesis, Fibrosis) but to a lesser extent

Causes: Toxic substances → like the uric acid crystals.  
- Acute inflammation becomes chronic.  
- The infection stays persistent (TB, fungi, virus).

Notes: Normally, we have macrophages in our body for protection purposes.

Naming of macrophages

Liver → Kupffer cells.

CNS → microglial cells

Lung → Alveolar macrophages

According to the place → Spleen & Lymph nodes → Sinus histiocytes

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② According to the pathway they are stimulated by :-

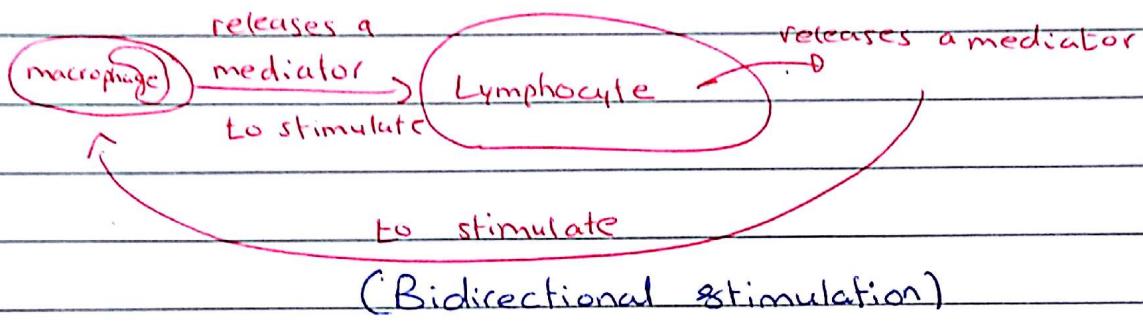
Macrophage: stimulated by 2 pathways

Classical  
(M1)  
inflammatory cells  
& phagocyte

Alternative  
(M2)  
Anti-inflammatory

→ Other cells of chronic inflammation:

\* Lymphocytes: Macrophages & Lymphocytes love each other.



\* plasma cells:  
— Develop from Activated B-Lymphocytes  
— produce antibodies against persistant antigens or against altered tissue component.

\* Eosinophils:  
— imp in parasitic infection.  
— Immunologic reaction & Allergy.  
— mediated by IgE

## Granulomatous inflammation.

- A specific type of chronic inflammation seen mainly in TB.
- occurs ① when there is persistent T cell response to certain Microbes
- ② when there is a foreign body (like glass) that can't be eaten by macrophages.
- Diseases that cause granuloma: TB - Leprosy - Sarcoidosis.
- caseous necrosis ( $\Leftrightarrow$  Only in TB.)
  - sometimes necrosis might happen in the center  $\rightarrow$  cells completely die & converted to  $\leftarrow$  (Pink) material
    - \* under the microscope (cheese-like appearance)
    - \* No cell boundaries remain.

Good Luck everyone!

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