

# Human biology Supportive Connective Tissue Lab 4

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- **1- CARTILAGE:** Jelly-like matrix (chondroitin sulfate) containing collagen and elastic fibers and chondrocytes surrounded by a membrane called the perichondrium.
   Unlike other CT, cartilage has NO blood vessels or nerves except in the perichondrium.
- The strength of cartilage is due to collagen fibers and the resilience is due to the presence of chondroitin sulfate. Chondrocytes occur within spaces in the matrix called lacunae.

#### **Types of cartilage:**

1- Hyaline cartilage 2-Fibrocartilage 3- Elastic cartilage

# 1. Hyaline Cartilage (most abundant type)

- Collagen fibers embedded in matrix with chondrocytes inside lacunae.
- Found in embryonic skeleton, at the ends of long bones, in the nose and in respiratory structures.
- Function: flexible, provides support, allows movement at joints.



Hyaline cartilage

2. Fibrocartilage **Contains bundles of** collagen in the matrix that are usually more visible under microscopy. **Given Security** Found in the intervertebral discs **Given** Function = support and absorbs shocks.



- **3. Elastic Cartilage**
- Threadlike network of elastic fibers within the matrix.
- Found in external ear, and epiglottis.
- Function = gives support, maintains shape, allows flexibility

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#### BONE

## **1-Spony bone:**

- Its is made of spongy porous, not like compact bone.
- **Given Series of Series and Serie**
- □ Function: for producing blood cells.

### **2-Compact bone:**

- **Given Series and Seri**
- Blood vessels and nerves penetrate periosteum through horizontal opening called Volkmann's canals.

Haversian canal (central canal) run longitudinally with blood vessels and nerves. □ Around the central canal are concentric lamella of bone. **Osteocytes occupy lacunae** which are between the lamella. **Canaliculi** are radiating from the lacunae like finger processes.

## Compact Bone vs. Spongy Bone (Ground bone) (Cancellous bone)



Note the absence of osteons in spongy bone

#### **Blood System FUNCTION**

- **1- Blood transports oxygen and nutrients to body cells**
- 2- Blood removes carbon dioxide and other waste products from body cells for elimination

# **Composition of Blood**

- **A-Plasma:** 90 percent water = liquid portion of blood
- Transports cellular elements of blood throughout circulatory system
  - Remaining portion is salts and plasma proteins: albumins, globulins, and fibrinogen

# **Blood Cells** blood cells are two types:

- 1-Erythrocytes
  - -Known as red blood cells (RBC)
    - Tiny biconcave-shaped disks
    - Thinner in center than around edges
    - No nucleus in mature red blood cell
  - Average life span = approximately 120 days
  - Main component = hemoglobin
  - Primary function = transport oxygen to cells of body

#### • 2- Leukocytes

- Known as white blood cells (WBC)
  - Larger than erythrocytes, but fewer in number
  - Mature WBC has a nucleus; does not have hemoglobin
- Two categories = granulocytes + agranulocytes
  - Granulocytes have granules in their cytoplasm
  - Agranulocytes have no granules in their cytoplasm
  - Five different types of leukocytes within the categories



#### Granulocytes

# Neutrophils

- Constitute approximately 60-70 percent of all WBCs
- Have multi-lobed nuclei
- Phagocytic in nature
- Do not absorb acid or base dye well
  - Remain fairly neutral color

- granulocytes
- Eosinophils
  - Constitute approximately 2-4 percent of all WBCs

Platelets

Eosinophil

RBC

- -Have a nucleus with two lobes
- Increase in number in response to allergic reactions
- -Stain a red, rosy color with an acid dye

# granulocytes Basophils

- Constitute less than 1 percent of all WBCs

Basophil

- Have a nucleus with two lobes
- Secrete histamine during allergic reactions
- Secrete heparin a natural anticoagulant
- Stain a dark blue with a base dye

- A granulocytes
- Monocytes



- Constitute approximately 3-8 percent of all WBCs
- -Largest of all white blood cells
- Have a kidney bean-shaped nucleus
- Phagocytic in nature

# A granulocytes

# Lymphocytes

Constitute approximately 20-25 percent of all WBCs

Lymphocy

- Have a large spherical-shaped nucleus
- Play important role in immune process
- Some lymphocytes are phagocytic
- Other lymphocytes produce antibodies

# Cell Fragments

- Thrombocytes
  - -Also known as platelets
  - -Contain no hemoglobin
  - -Essential for normal clotting of blood