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Leukocyte & Thrombocyte

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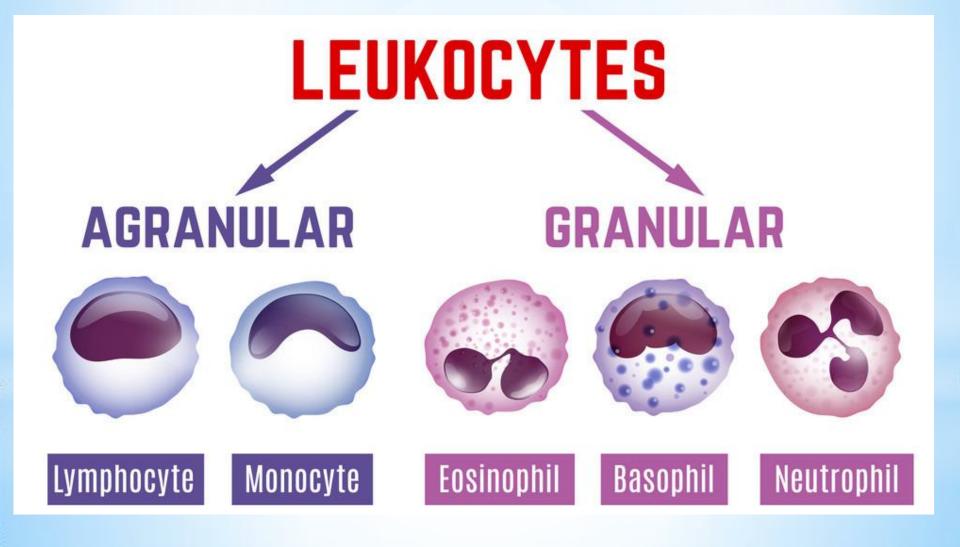
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- Leukocytes (White Blood Cells)
- > WBCs are the mobile cells of the body's immune system.
- ➤ It classified into two main groups:
- 1. Granulocytes are cells with granules in their cytoplasm and a lobular nucleus.
- 2. A granulocytes lack granules and have nuclei that are not lobular.
 - The granulocytes and monocytes are formed only in the bone marrow.
 - Lymphocytes are produced mainly in the lymph glands, spleen, thymus and tonsils.

- *The lifespan of WBC ranges from a few hours to months.
- *Normal range of WBCs 4000 to 11000 cell/mm³.



*Functions of WBCs:

1. Granulocyte functions:

- A. Neutrophils: attack and destroy invading bacteria and viruses.
- **B. Basophils:** contain a number of chemicals that are important in inducing allergic inflammatory responses like coughing, sneezing or a runny nose.

C. Eosinophil:

- 1. Attack and destroy parasites, cancer cells.
- 2. Assists basophils with regulation of allergic reaction.

2. A Granulocyte Functions:

Lymphocytes: which are divided into 3 types:-

B cells: releases antibodies (which are proteins that bind to and destroy foreign microbes).

T cells: detect virally infected cells and remove them.

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Monocytes:- When a monocyte enters a tissue, it transforms into a tissue macrophage, which has the ability to phagocytize microbes.

Platelets

- *The platelets (thrombocytes) are small, granulated bodies that aggregate at sites of vascular injury. They lack nuclei and are 2-4 m in diameter.
- Normal range of platelets 150000-400000 cell/mm³
- Platelets are generated in the bone marrow and have a life span about (8-12 day) then destroyed by macrophages in the spleen.

*Function of Platelets

*The main function of platelets is to initiate clotting by converting prothrombin into thrombin.

