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UNIT-I Topic- Hematopoiesis



Hematopoiesis

➤ Production of red blood cells, white cells, and platelets (blood cell formation)

Anatomy of Hematopoiesis:

- First Trimester: Yolk Sac
- Second Trimester: Liver and Spleen
- ■Third Trimester: Central, Peripheral Skeleton
- Adulthood: Axial Skeleton, Vertebral Bodies, Sternum, Ribs, Pelvis.
- ➤ Hematopoiesis may re-expand into fetal sites in times of severe demand, e.g. thalassemia, MF (Extramedullary hematopoiesis).

The cellular pathways of Hematopoiesis

- •Overall Cellular Organization of Hematopoiesis:
- 1. Stem Cells:
- Totipotential.
- Multipotential.
- 2. Progenitor Cells.
- 3. Precursor Cells.
- 4. Effector Cells.



The cellular pathways of hematopoiesis:

I. Stem cells:

Totipotential Stem Cells: "The Godfather Cells":

- 1. Unlimited Self-Renewal.
- 2. Unlimited Differentiation: can give rise to any cellular element.
- 3. Present in Marrow in Small Numbers.
- 4. Highly Resistant to Chemotherapy.
- 5. Reside Primarily in Marrow. Small numbers circulate in blood.
- 6. Surface Antigen -CD34+ ("Cluster of Differentiation 34").
- 7. Look like Small Lymphocytes.
- 8. Dysfunction leads to aplastic anemia or certain types of leukemia.

Multipotential Stem Cells:

- -i.e. Lymphoid, Myeloid Stem Cells
- Derived from Totipotential Stem Cells.
- 2. Capable of Extended Self Renewal.
- 3. Capable of Extended Differentiation Lymphoid stem cells give rise to all categories of mature lymphocytes. Myeloid stem cells give rise to red cells, granulocytes, monocytes, and platelets.
- 4. Lymphoid stem cell can give rise to so-called "lymphoproliferative" malignancies such as acute lymphocytic leukemia
- 5. Myeloid Stem cell can give rise to so-called "myeloproliferative" malignancies such as acute myeloid leukemia

II. Progenitor Cells:- CFU's(Colony Forming Units):

- 1. Derived from Multipotential StemCells.
- 2. Capable of limited self-renewal.
- Capable of limited differentiation. CFU-GEMM (colony forming unit granulocyte, erythrocyte, macrophage, megakaryocyte). CFU-ME (colony
 forming unit megakaryocyte erythrocyte). CFU-GM (colony forming unit –
 granulocyte monocyte). CFU-G (colony forming unit-granulocyte).
- 4. Responsive to Hematopoietic Growth Factors, e.g. Erythropoietin stimulates CFU-E, GM-CSF stimulates CFU-GM, G-CSF stimulates CFU-G, etc.
- 5. Express differentiation antigens-surface proteins such as CD19 -B-lymphocyte.

III. Precursor Cells:- Blasts and their progeny:

- First morphologically identifiable cells:
- Erythroblast -Red Cells.
- Myeloblast -Granulocytes.
- ■Monoblast –Monocytes.
- ■Lymphoblast –Lymphocytes.
- ■Megakaryoblast –Platelets.
- Little if any self-renewal.



IV. Mature Effector Cells:

- ■Red Cells: carry oxygen, carbon dioxide; lifespan 120 days.
- Neutrophils: phagocytosis, killing.
- •Monocytes: phagocytosis, killing, antigen presentation.
- Lymphocytes: identify cells as self or non-self.
- Platelets: hemostasis