

THE CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM: THE BLOOD

1. Introduction

A. Blood and Circulation

B. Connective Tissue

i. Fibrous Elements

- Fibrinogen
- Fibrin

ii. Matrix

- Formed Elements
- Plasma

2. Functions of Blood

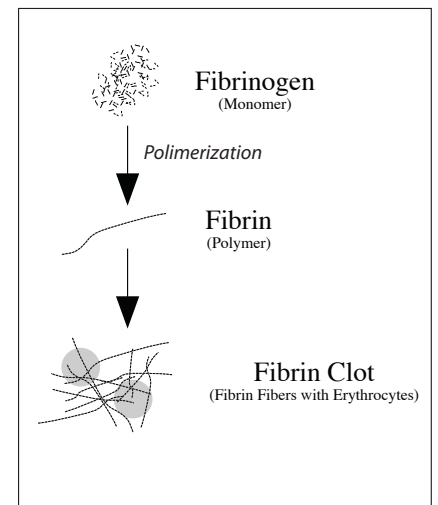
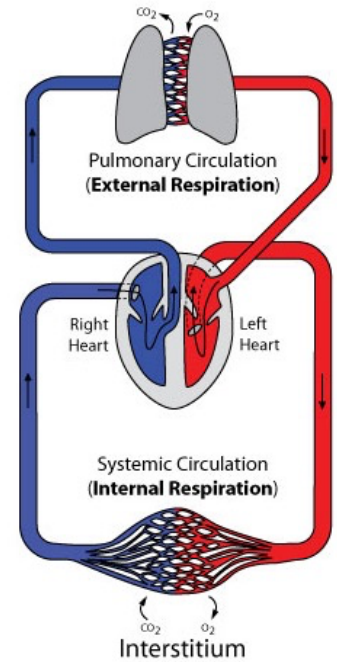
A. Transport

i. Gases and Nutrients

ii. Waste Products

- CO₂ → Lungs
- Metabolic Wastes (ie., Urea) → Kidneys

iii. Hormones



B. Regulates

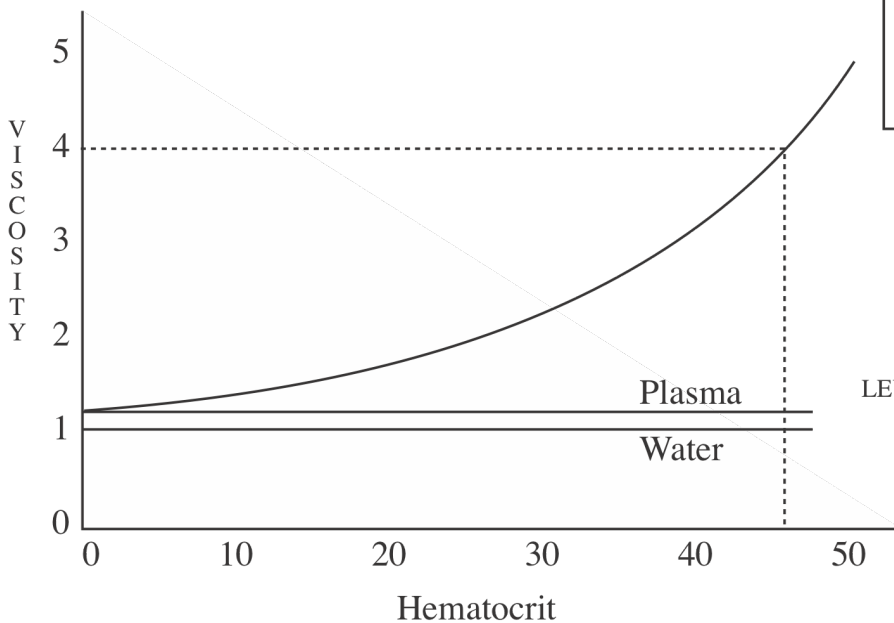
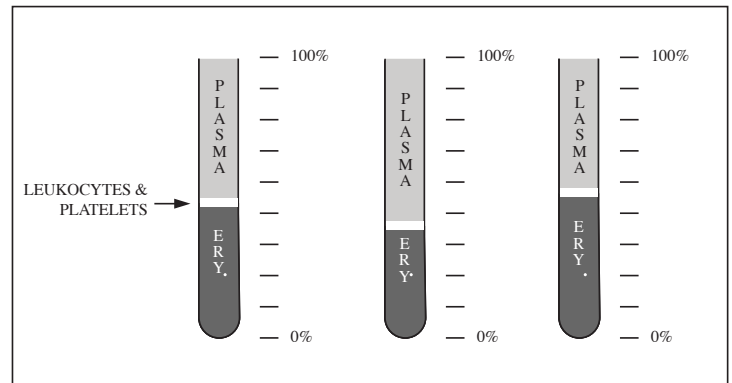
- i. Blood Clotting
- ii. Body Temperature
- iii. pH (See Buffer System and Video)
- iv. Water and Electrolyte Balance/Concentration

C. Protection (Leukocytes “White Blood Cells” will be examined when we do the immune system)

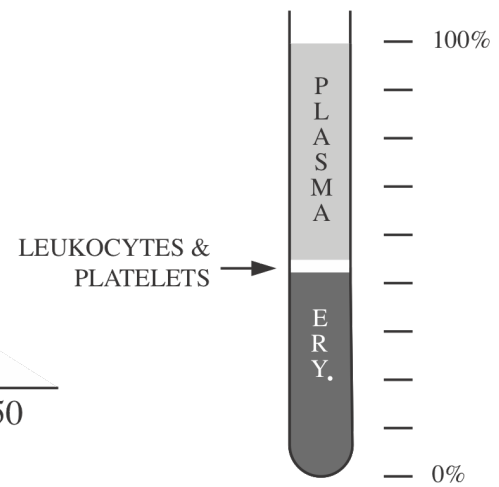
3. Properties of Blood

- Hematocrit →

A. Viscosity



Hematocrit = number of red blood cells
 Viscosity = resistance to flow
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B. Coloration

- i. Oxygenated Hemoglobin
- ii. Deoxygenated Hemoglobin
- iii. Plasma
- iv. Platelets and White Blood Cells

C. pH – 7.35 to 7.45

4. Blood Components

A. Plasma

- i. Water
- ii. Proteins

a. Albumins (See fluid Movement Handout and Video)

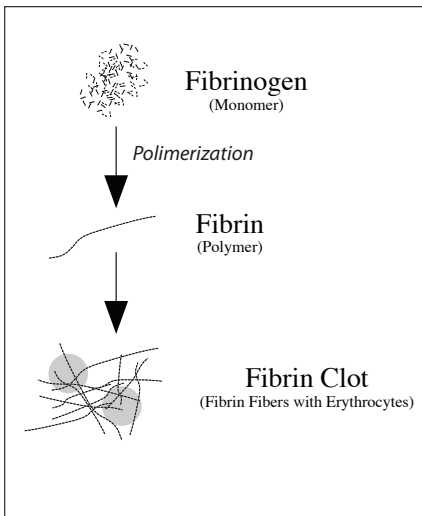
- Osmosis and Edema

b. Fibrinogen

- Serum

c. Globulins

- Major Histocompatibility Complex (MHC)
- Antigens
- Antigen-antibody complex
- Immunoglobulins (Antibodies)



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- * IgM
- * IgG
- * IgA
- * IgE
- * IgD

iii. Electrolytes

- a. Sodium and potassium in water balance (*see handout and video*)

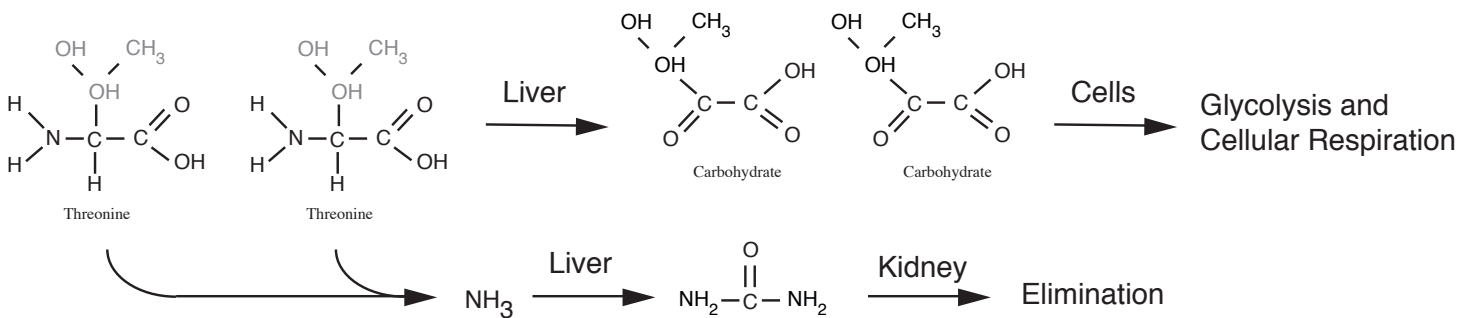
iv. Nutrients and Waste Products

- a. Glucose (70 – 110 mg/dl)

- Review Glycolysis and Cellular Respiration

- b. Metabolic Wastes

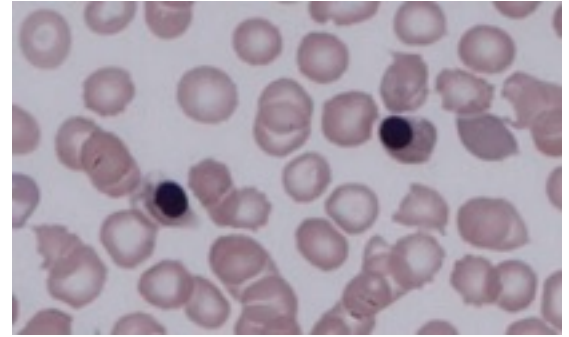
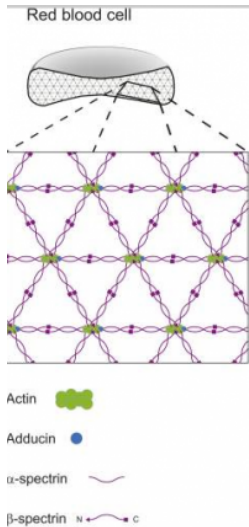
- Deamination (Removal of Amino Group, - NH₂)



v. Gases and Buffers (See Buffer System Handout and Video)

5. Hematopoiesis – see Handout

6. Red Blood Cells (Erythrocytes)



- Spectrin

A. Hemoglobin (Hb)

- Globin
- Heme
- Iron

In the video, some incorrect numbers are given, the correct are:

Each RBC has ~250 million hemoglobin molecules
Each Hemoglobin molecule can carry 4 O₂ molecules each
Therefore, each RBC can carry ~1 billion oxygen molecules

iv. Transport of Oxygen in Blood

a. Oxyhemoglobin (HbO₂)

b. Fetal Hemoglobin (HbF)

v. Carbon Dioxide Transport (60%) (**SEE Downloadable Handout!!**)

a. 10% Dissolved in plasma

b. 30% as Carbaminohemoglobin



c. 60% as Bicarbonate Ions

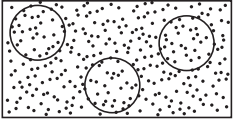
- Chloride Shift

B. Erythrocyte Membranes and Solutes

i. Flexibility

- Spectrin

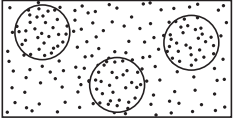
Isotonic Solution



ii. Effect of Solute Concentrations (*See downloadable handout*)

- Osmosis

Hypotonic Solution

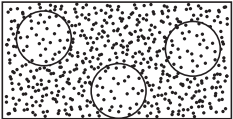


a. Isotonic

b. Hypertonic

- Crenation

Hypertonic Solution



c. Hypotonic

i. Development Phases (See Handout)

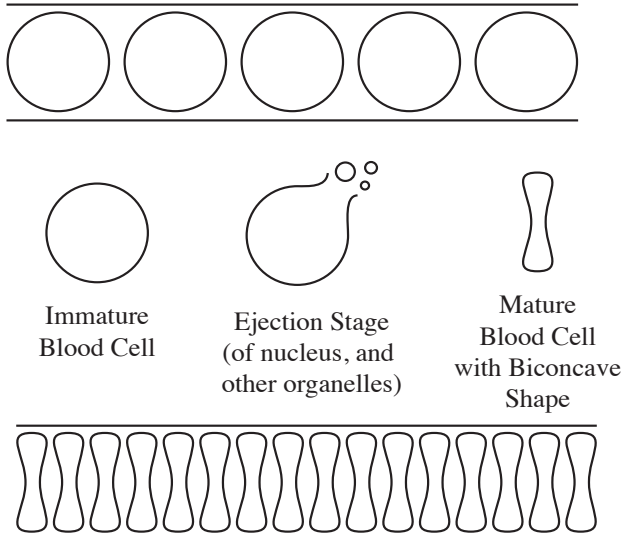
a. Ribosome Production

b. Hemoglobin Synthesis

c. Ejection Stage

ii. Biconcave Shape

Biconcave Shape and the Increase in the Gas Transport Surface Area



Note that both an immature and a mature red blood cell membrane will have the same surface area, although the mature red blood cells will have less cytoplasm.

It is the cell membrane through which the gasses O₂ and CO₂ will pass.

Therefore, when the red blood cells are stacked (called a Rouleaux), this will significantly increase the surface area for gas exchange.

iii, Anaerobic Metabolism (See handout)

D. Regulation (SEE handout – learn cycle!)

a. Erythropoietin

E. Erythrocyte Destruction and Removal

i. Longevity (80-120 days)

ii. Phagocytosis

- Macrophages

a. Hemoglobin (See Handout)

- Heme → Biliverdin → Bilirubin

- Bile

b. Iron (*See Handout on Iron Transport*)

- Ferritin
- Transferrin

Important Note: Leukocytes are an important group of formed elements that are critical in fighting infection! We will cover these when we begin the immune system.

7. Hemostasis: The Prevention of Blood Loss

* *See Handout on Hemostasis*

- A. Vasoconstrictive Phase
- B. Platelet Phase
 - Platelet Aggregation
- C. Coagulation Phase (note cascade of reactions)
 - Antihemophilic Factor
 - Thromboplastinogenase

Extrinsic and Intrinsic Pathways

- A. Extrinsic Pathway
- B. Intrinsic Pathway

Common Pathways