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Chapter 3
Innate Immunity



## Soluble Molecules and MembraneAssociated Receptors

- 1) Antimicrobial Peptides - defensins, interferons
- Defensins $-\alpha$-Defensins, $\beta$-Defensins
- Cationic (+) peptides
- Antibacterial
- Disrupt microbial membranes and synthesis of RNA, DNA, and proteins
- Produced among others by neutrophils, epithelial cells
- Interferons - IFN- $\alpha$ and IFN- $\beta$
- Block viral replication (RNA viruses)


## Inflammation

## Tissue damage

- 1) Release of Vasoactive and chemotactic Mediators $\rightarrow$ histamine, serotonin, etc
- 2) Vasodilation: $\uparrow$ diameter of capillaries, $\uparrow$ blood flow
- 3) Increased Vascular Permeability: $\uparrow$ Leakiness from blood vessels $\rightarrow \uparrow$ recruitment of cells and fluid $\rightarrow$ edema
- 4) Extravasation of Phagocytes - recruitment of leukocytes $\rightarrow$ Chemotaxis (chemokines; C3a/C5a, N -formyl peptides)
- 5) Action on Blood Vessels $\rightarrow \uparrow$ intercellular adhesion molecule (ICAM)
- 5) Tissue Repair - fibrin (clotting) and fibroblasts



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## 2) Acute Phase Response Proteins

- C Reactive Proteins (CRP), Mannose Binding Protein (MBP)
- Increased in blood after tissue injury
- Synthesized by liver and Macrophages
- Phagocytosis $\rightarrow$ IL-1 $\beta$, IL-6, TNF- $\alpha \rightarrow$ Liver
- CRP - binds polysaccharides and phosphorylcholine on microbial membranes $\rightarrow \uparrow$ phagocytosis
- MBL - binds mannose residues on molecules found on microbial membranes $\rightarrow$ Activates complement



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NOD - Nucleotide-Binding Oligomerization Domain

- Cytosolic receptors
- Two types: NOD1 and NOD2
- Recognize products derived from peptidoglycan


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## TLRs - Toll-Like Receptors

- 11 found in humans and 12 in mice
- Structure: Exterior - Leucine-rich repeats; Interior - TIR (Toll-IL-1 Receptor) domain
- Can form (HETERO)DIMERS $\rightarrow$ affect their binding specificity
- Membrane and cytoplasmic localization


## Pattern-Recognition Receptors

- Receptors of the innate immune system
- Recognize unique antigens (motifs) in microorganisms (Danger Signals!!!)
- These antigens are absent in the host (nonself)
- Several Patter-Recognition Receptors (PRRs) identified
- BIO401: Toll-like receptors (TLRs)


Cell Types of Innate Immunity


## Activated Macrophages

- TLRs, Cytokines
- $\uparrow$ phagocytic activity
$-\uparrow$ killing activity
- $\uparrow$ MHC-II expression
- $\uparrow$ cytokine production
$-\uparrow$ APR proteins and complement synthesis
$-\uparrow$ iNOS (inducible nitric oxide synthase)
- L-arginine + $\mathrm{O}_{2}+\mathrm{NADPH} \rightarrow \mathrm{NO}+$ L-citruline + NADP


## NK Cells

- Protect against viral infections
- Produce cytokines: IFN- $\gamma$ and TNF- $\alpha$
- These cytokines $\rightarrow$ activate Macrophages, and differentiation of Th cells


