

Acute and Chronic Inflammation, Tissue repair

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Objectives:

After learning, student should be able to

- ❑ Describe the basic knowledge and morphological patterns of acute and chronic inflammation
- ❑ Describe the knowledge of tissue repair
- ❑ Discuss pathological response in inflammation-associated tissue repair

Inflammation

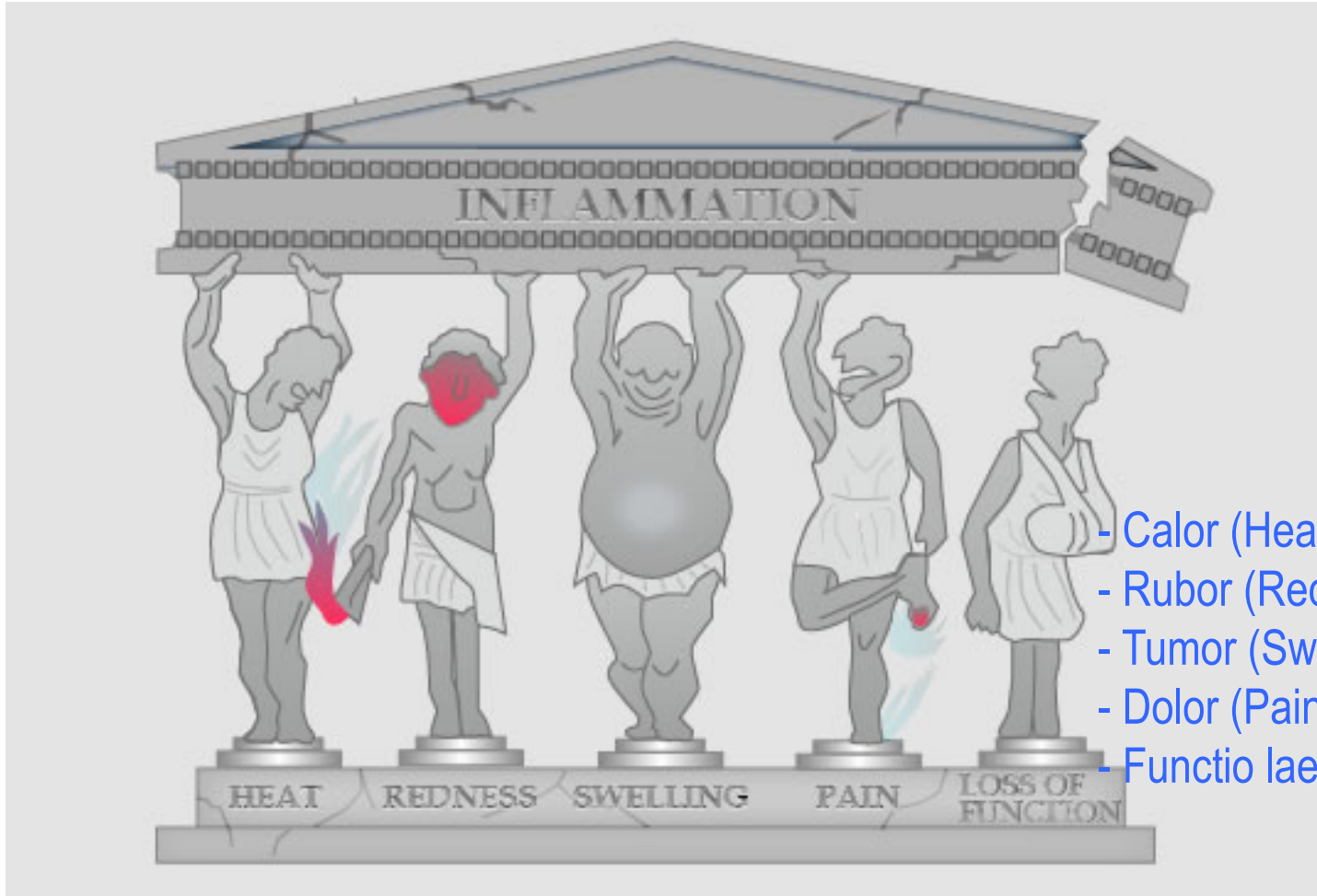
- ❑ It is a defensive host response to *foreign invaders* and *necrotic tissues*.
- ❑ To eliminate the initial cause of cell injury and necrotic tissues
- ❑ To initiate the process of *tissue repair*
- ❑ Two types of inflammation--- acute inflammation and chronic inflammation

❖ Features of acute and chronic inflammation

| Features | Acute inflammation | Chronic inflammation |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Onset | Fast: minutes or hours | Slow: days |
| Cellular infiltrate | Mainly neutrophils | Monocytes/macrophages and lymphocytes |
| Tissue injury, fibrosis | Usually mild and self-limited | Often severe and progressive |
| Local and systemic signs | Prominent | Less prominent; may be subtle |

(Modified from Kumar et al., 2013)

❖ The external manifestations of inflammation



- Calor (Heat)
- Rubor (Redness)
- Tumor (Swelling)
- Dolor (Pain)
- Functio laesa (Loss of function)

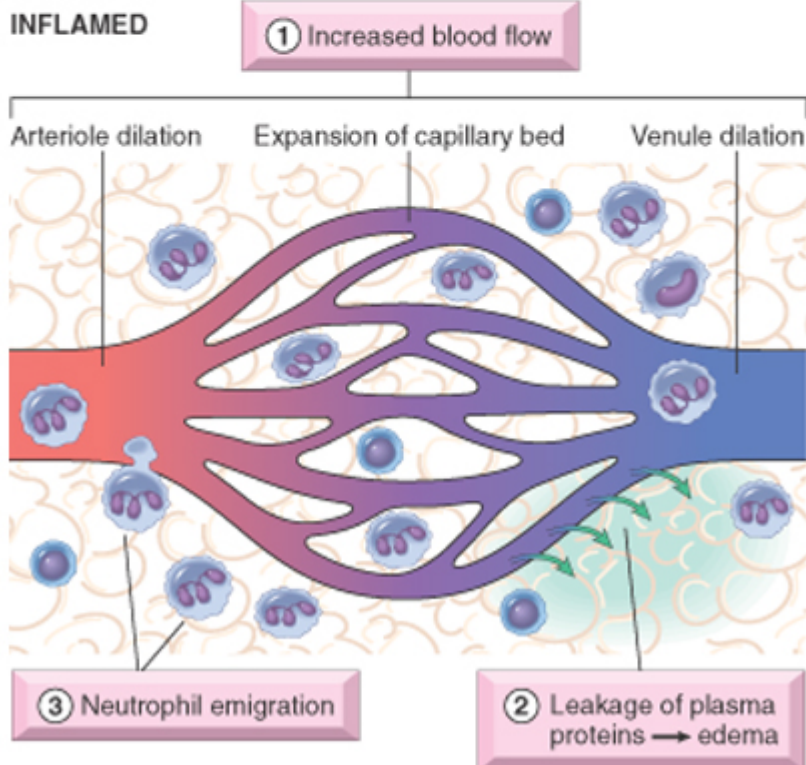
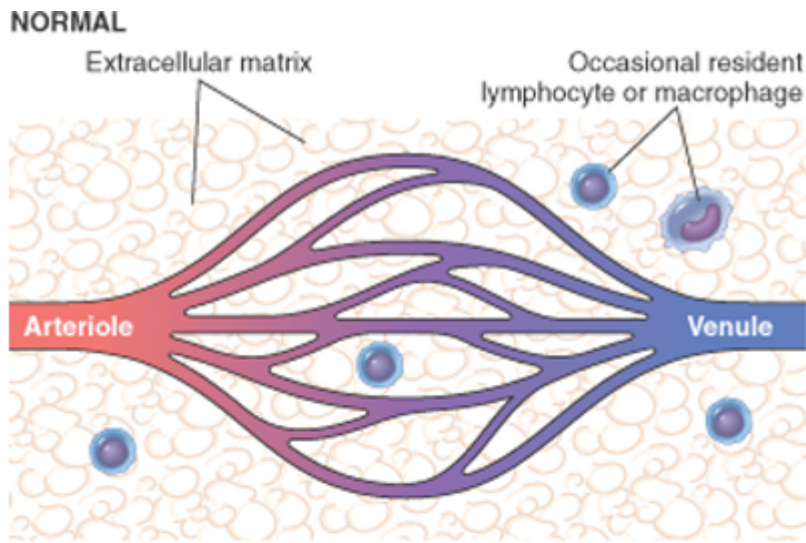
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❖ Cardinal signs of inflammation

| Cardinal Signs | Physiological responses |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Dolor (Pain) | Stretching of pain receptors and nerves by inflammatory exudates and chemical mediators |
| Tumor (Swelling) | Exudation of fluid |
| Rubor (Redness) | Increased blood flow |
| Calor (Heat) | Increased blood flow, Release of inflammatory mediators |
| Functio laesa (Loss of function) | Disruption of tissue structure |

Acute inflammation

- ❑ The response rapidly delivers leukocytes and plasma proteins to sites of injury.
- ❑ Once there, leukocytes clear the invaders and begin the process of digesting and getting rid of necrotic tissues.
- ❑ Acute inflammation has two major components:
 - *Vascular changes*
 - *Cellular events*

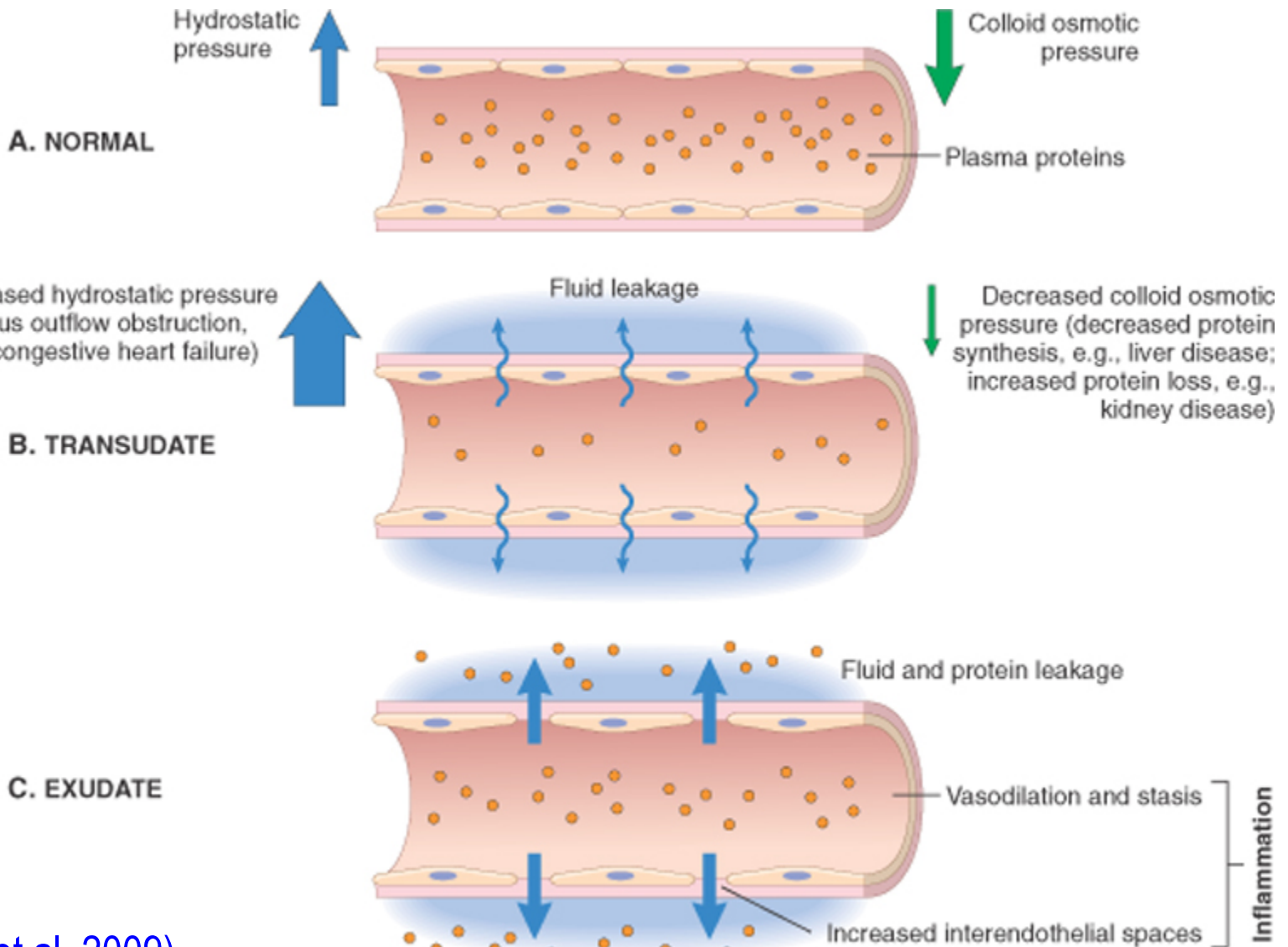


1. Vascular dilation and increased blood flow--- *erythema and warmth*
2. Extravasation of plasma fluid and proteins--- *edema*
3. Leukocyte emigration and accumulation--- *mainly neutrophils*

❖ Vascular changes

- ❑ The main vascular reaction of acute inflammation are increased blood flow, vasodilation, and increased vascular permeability.
- ❑ Increasing *vascular permeability*--- the movement of protein-rich fluid (*transudate, exudate*) and *blood cells* into the extravascular tissues.
- ❑ The changes in blood vessels are initiated rapidly after infection or injury.

Formation of transudates and exudates

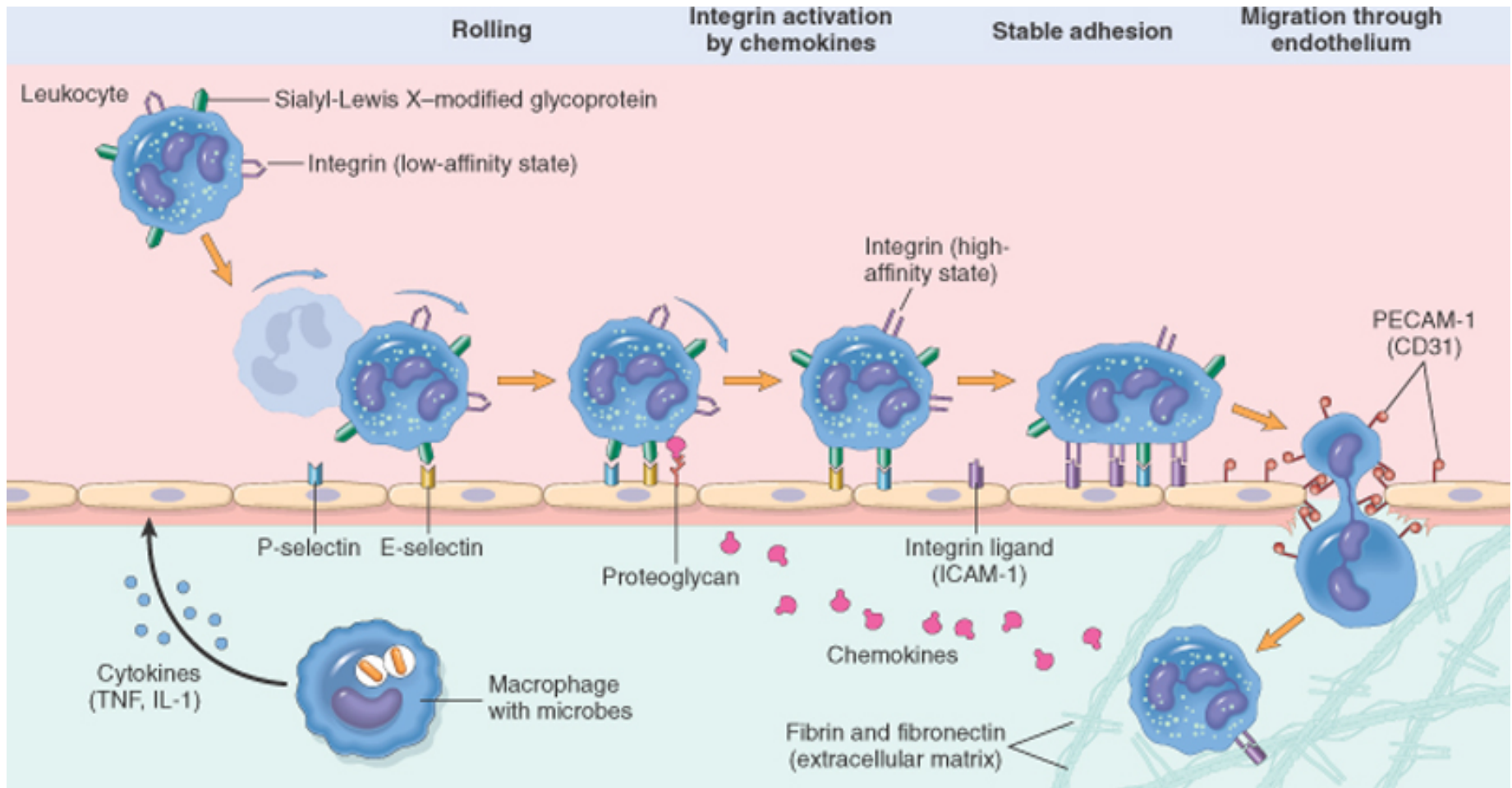


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❖ Cellular events

- ❑ Leukocyte recruitment and activation
- ❑ The recruitment of *leukocyte* from vascular lumen to the extravascular space
 - **Margination** and **rolling** along the vessel wall
 - **Adhesion** to the endothelium
 - **Transmigration** between endothelial cells
 - **Chemotaxis**--- migration in interstitial tissues toward a chemotactic stimulus.

Mechanisms of leukocyte migration through blood vessels



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Major roles of leukocyte adhesion molecules in the leukocyte migration

Table 2–2 Endothelial and Leukocyte Adhesion Molecules

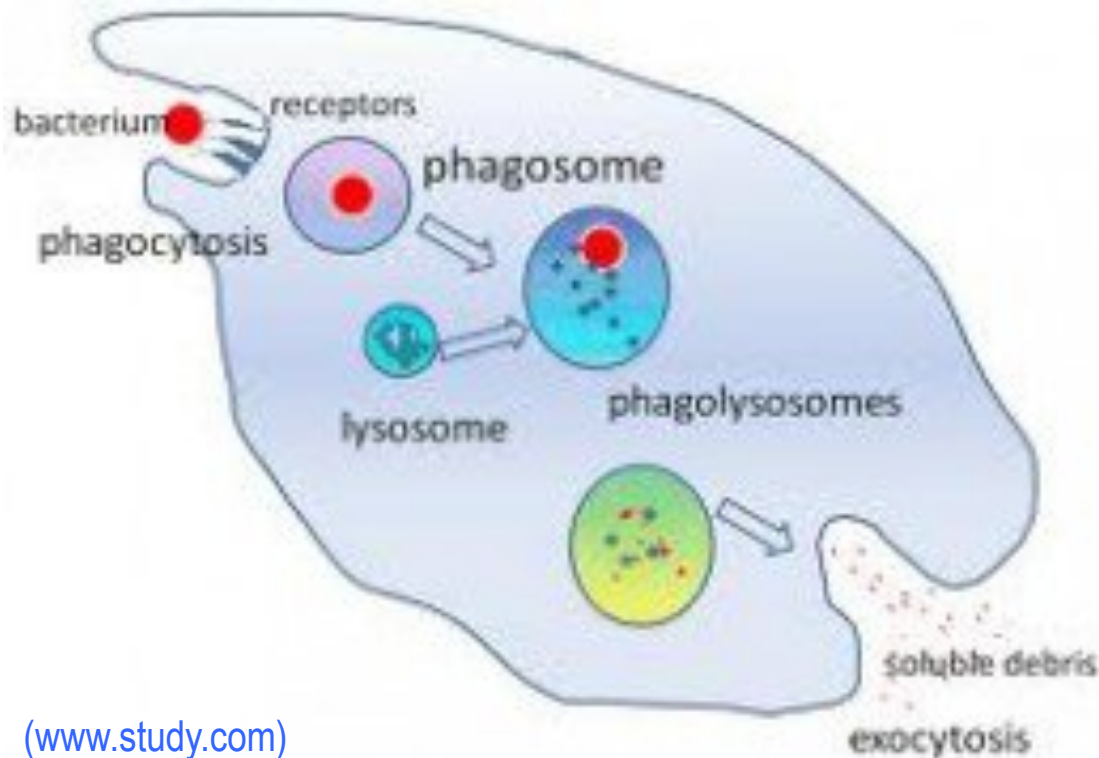
| Endothelial Molecule | Leukocyte Molecule | Major Role(s) |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Selectins and Selectin Ligands | | |
| P-selectin | Sialyl–Lewis X–modified proteins | Rolling |
| E-selectin | Sialyl–Lewis X–modified proteins | Rolling and adhesion |
| GlyCam-1, CD34 | L-selectin* | Rolling (neutrophils, monocytes) |
| Integrins and Integrin Ligands | | |
| ICAM-1 (immunoglobulin family) | CD11/CD18 integrins (LFA-1, Mac-1) | Firm adhesion, arrest, transmigration |
| VCAM-1 (immunoglobulin family) | VLA-4 integrin | Adhesion |
| Others | | |
| CD31 | CD31 (homotypic interaction) | Transmigration of leukocytes through endothelium |

*L-selectin is also involved in the binding of circulating lymphocytes to the high endothelial venules in lymph nodes and mucosal lymphoid tissues, and subsequent homing of lymphocytes to these tissues.

ICAM-1, intercellular adhesion molecule-1; LFA-1, leukocyte function–associated antigen-1; Mac-1, macrophage-1 antigen; VCAM-1, vascular cell adhesion molecule-1; VLA-4, very late antigen-4.

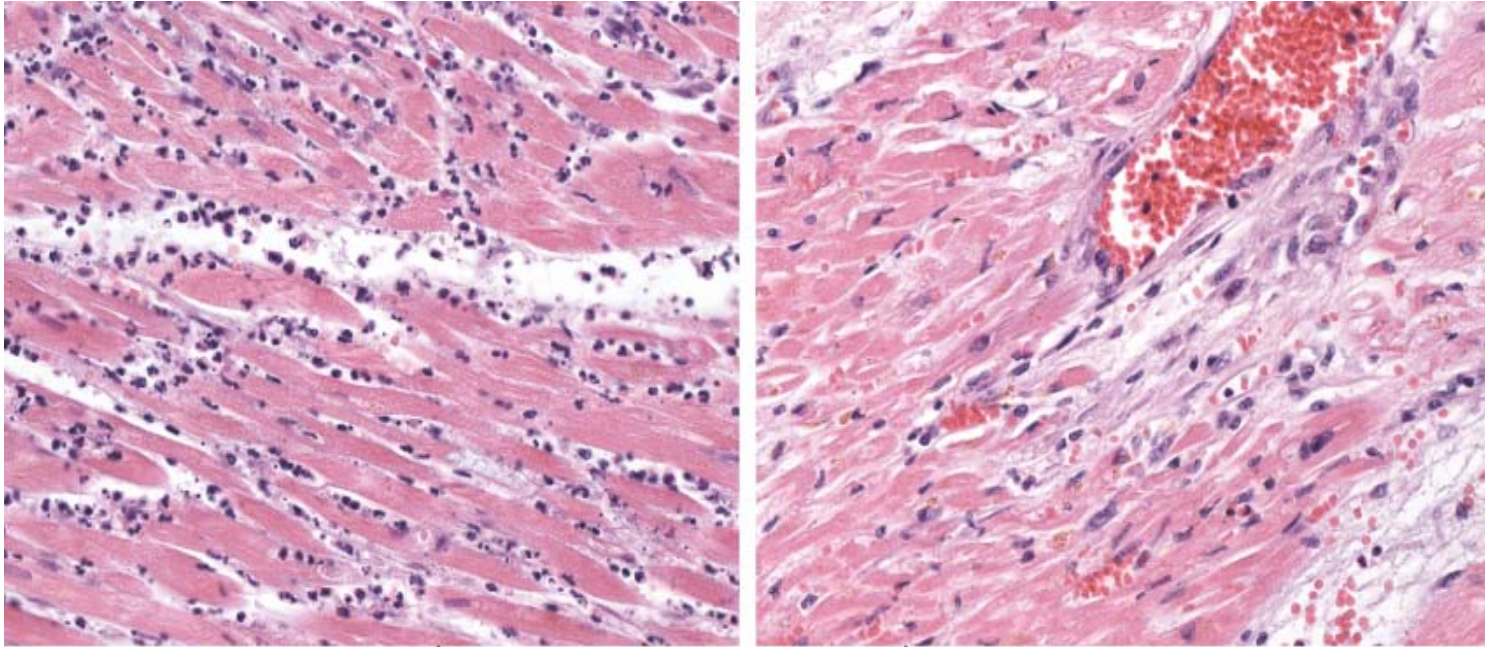
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- ❖ The first immune cells that arrive at an injured site are mostly *neutrophils*.
- ❖ Neutrophils have several different types of receptors that recognize several different pathogen-associated molecular patterns.

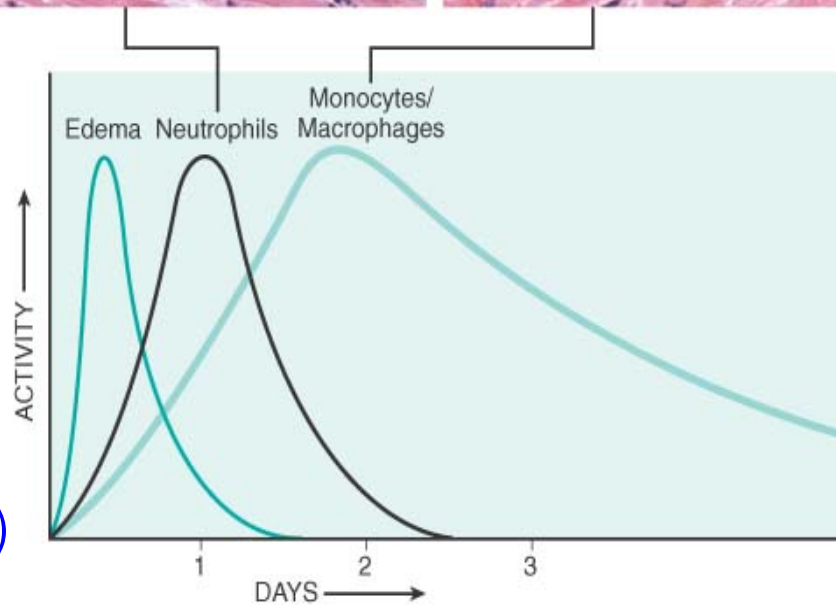


- Phagocytosis
- Phagosome
- Lysosome

□ Leukocyte infiltrates in inflammatory reactions

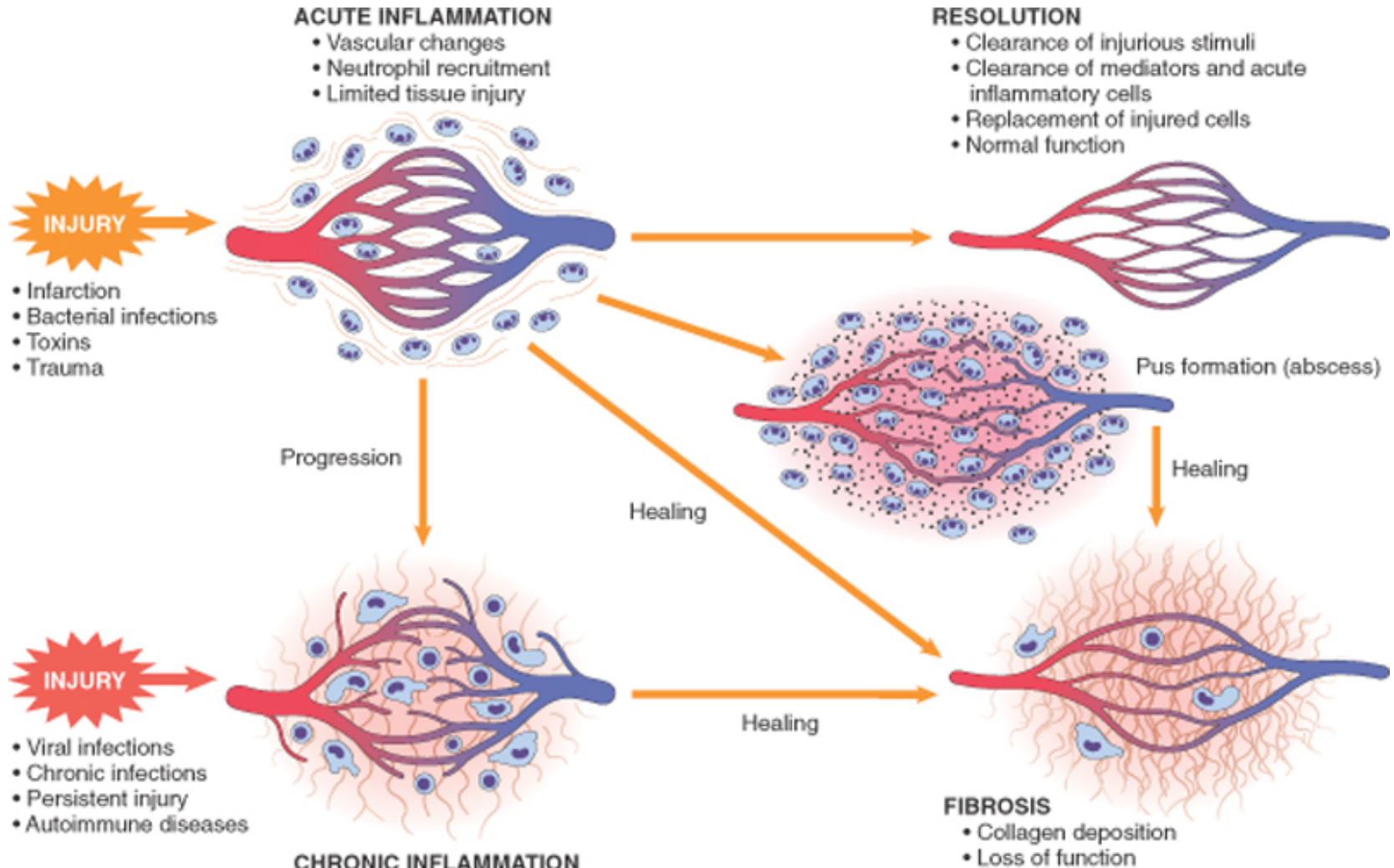


- Neutrophils (6-24 h)
- Monocytes (24-48 h)



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❖ Outcomes of acute inflammation



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❖ The stimuli for acute inflammation

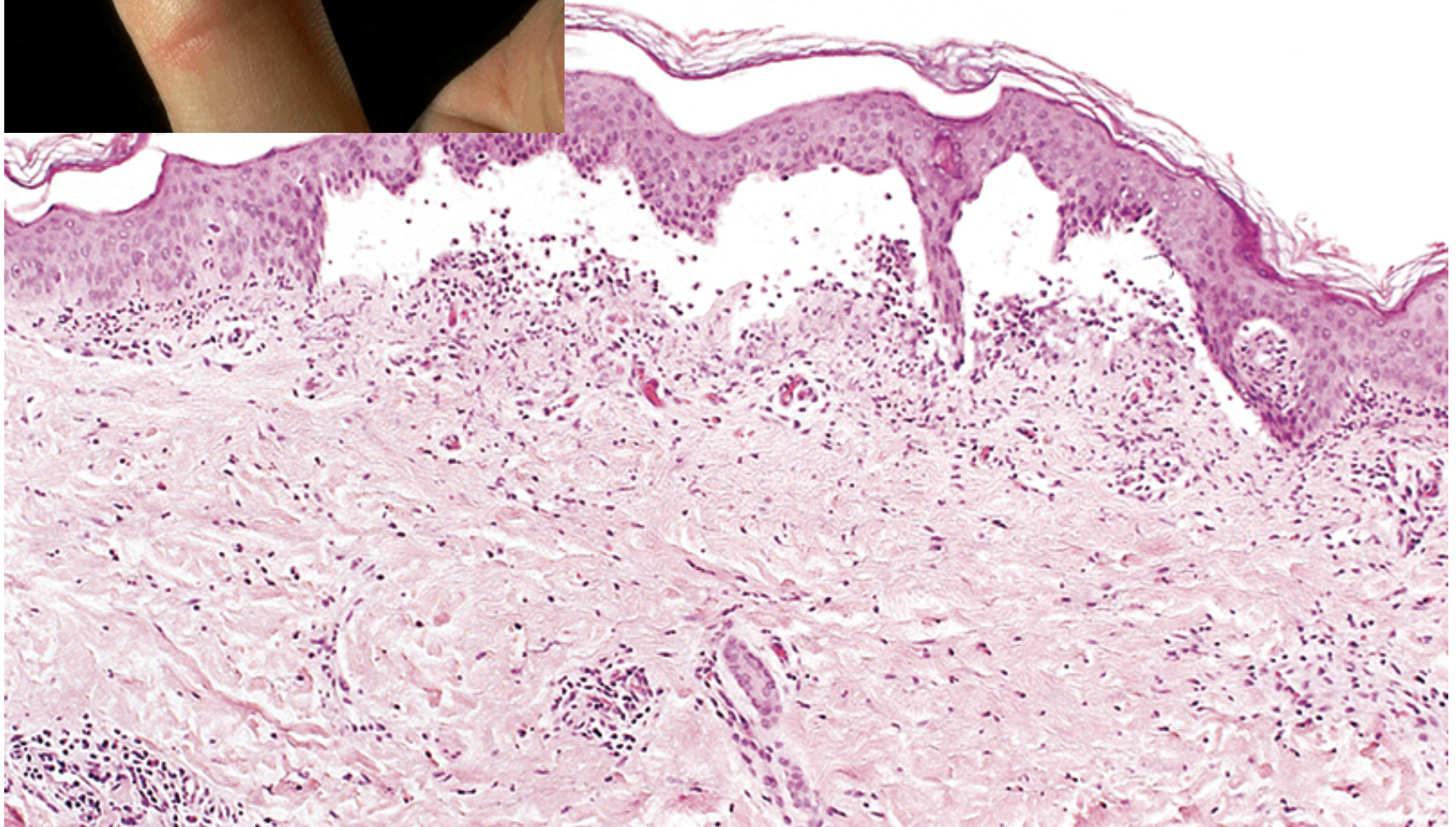
- ❑ Infections--- most common and medically important causes of inflammation
- ❑ Trauma and various physical and chemical agents
- ❑ Tissue necrosis
- ❑ Foreign bodies
- ❑ Immune reaction--- hypersensitivity reaction

Morphological patterns of acute inflammation

- ❑ Serous inflammation
- ❑ Fibrinous inflammation
- ❑ Suppurative (purulent) inflammation & Abscess formation
- ❑ Ulcer

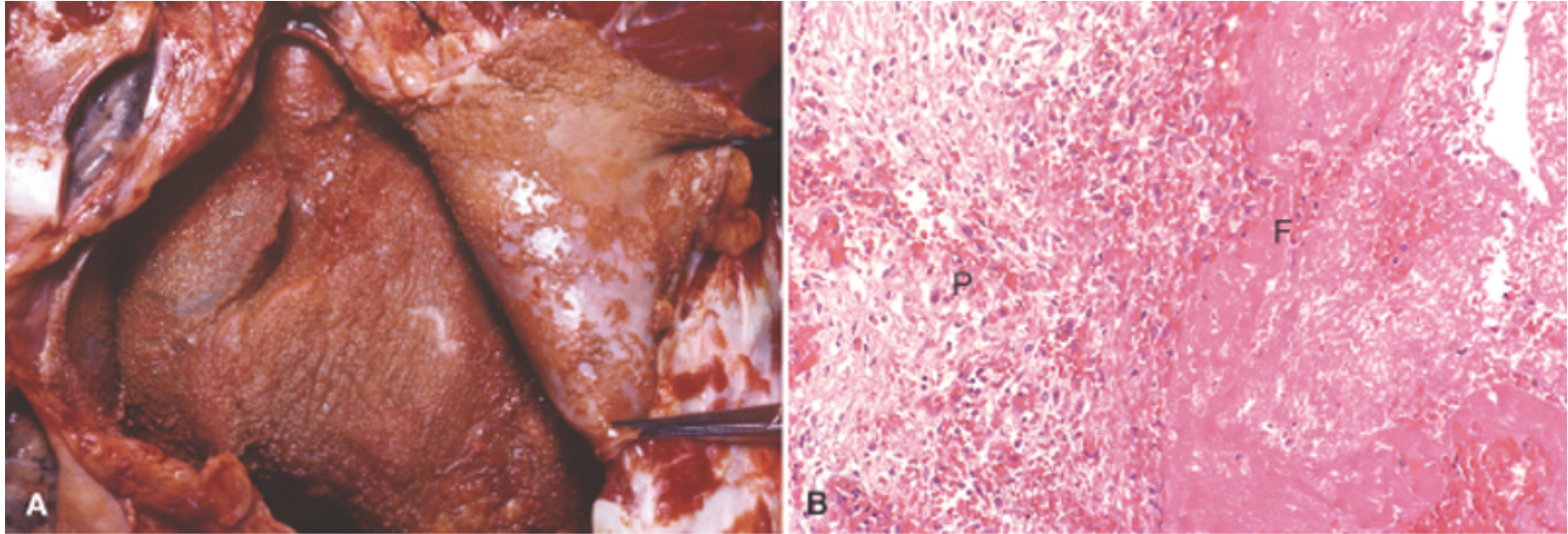
❖ Serous inflammation

- ❑ It is characterized by the outpouring of a water, relatively *protein-poor fluid* that, depending on the site of injury.
- ❑ Skin blister--- burn or viral infection
- ❑ Fluid in a serous cavity is called an *effusion*.



❖ Fibrinous inflammation

- ❑ It occurs as a consequence of more severe injuries.--- greater vascular permeability that allows *large molecules* such as fibrinogen to pass the endothelial barrier.
- ❑ This reaction is characteristic of inflammation in the lining of body cavities.--- meninges, pericardium, and pleura



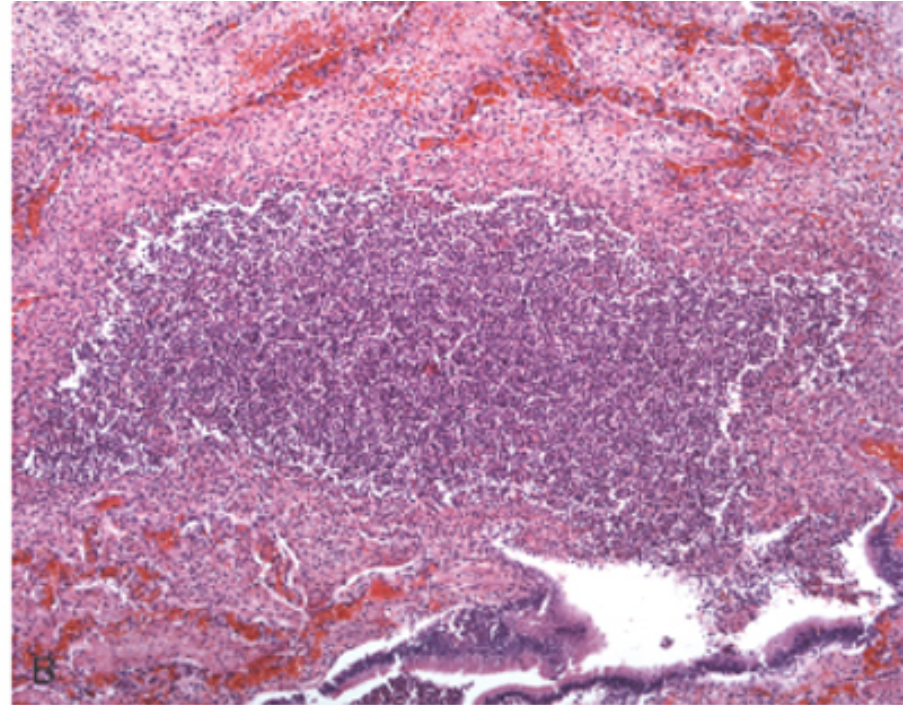
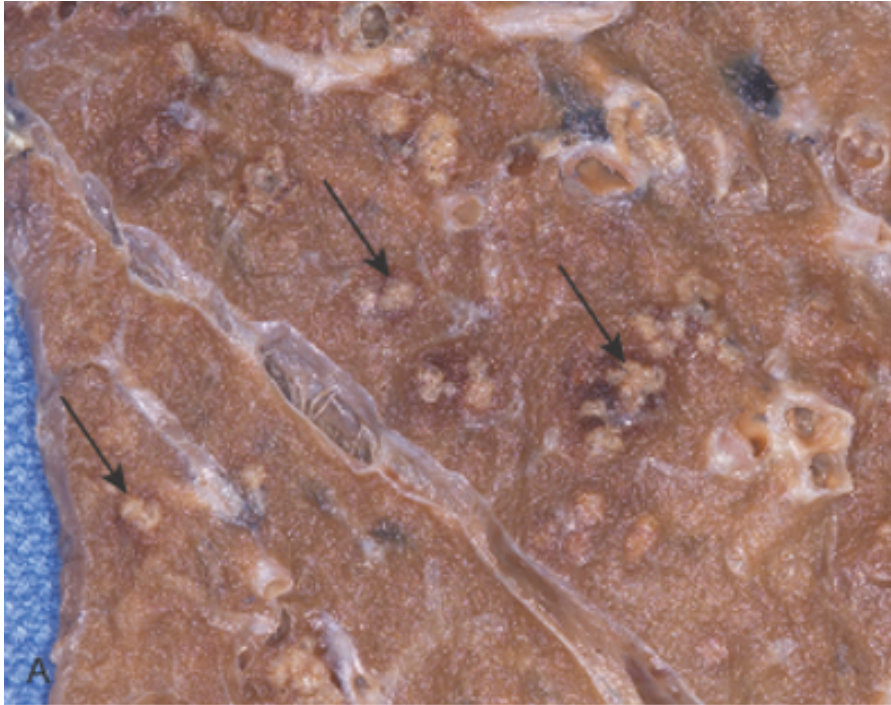
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Fibrinous pericarditis; fibrin exudate (F), pericardial surface (P)

❖ Suppurative (purulent) inflammation & Abscess formation

- ❑ The collection of amount of purulent exudate (pus)--
- *neutrophils, necrotic cells, and edema fluid*
- ❑ Abscesses are focal *collections of pus*.
- ❑ Abscesses typically have a central, largely necrotic region rimmed by a layer of preserved neutrophils with a surrounding zone of dilated vessels and fibroblast proliferation.



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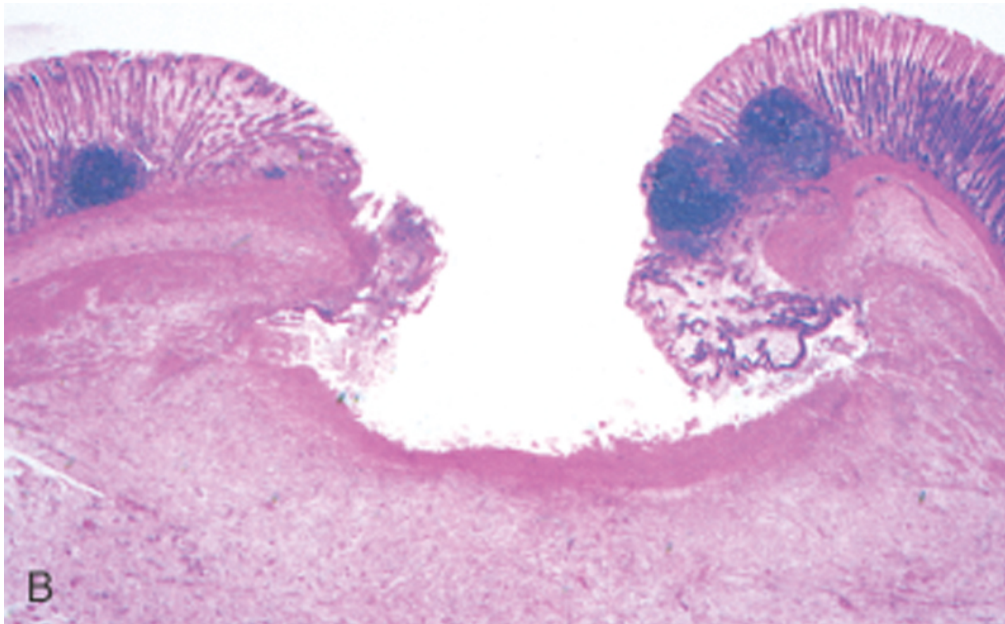
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❖ Ulcer

- ❑ It is a local defect, or excavation of the surface of an organ or tissue that produced by necrosis of cells and sloughing (shedding) of necrotic and inflammatory tissue.
- ❑ Ulcerations are best exemplified by peptic ulcer of the stomach or duodenum.
- ❑ *Neutrophils and exudates* present in an acute stage.



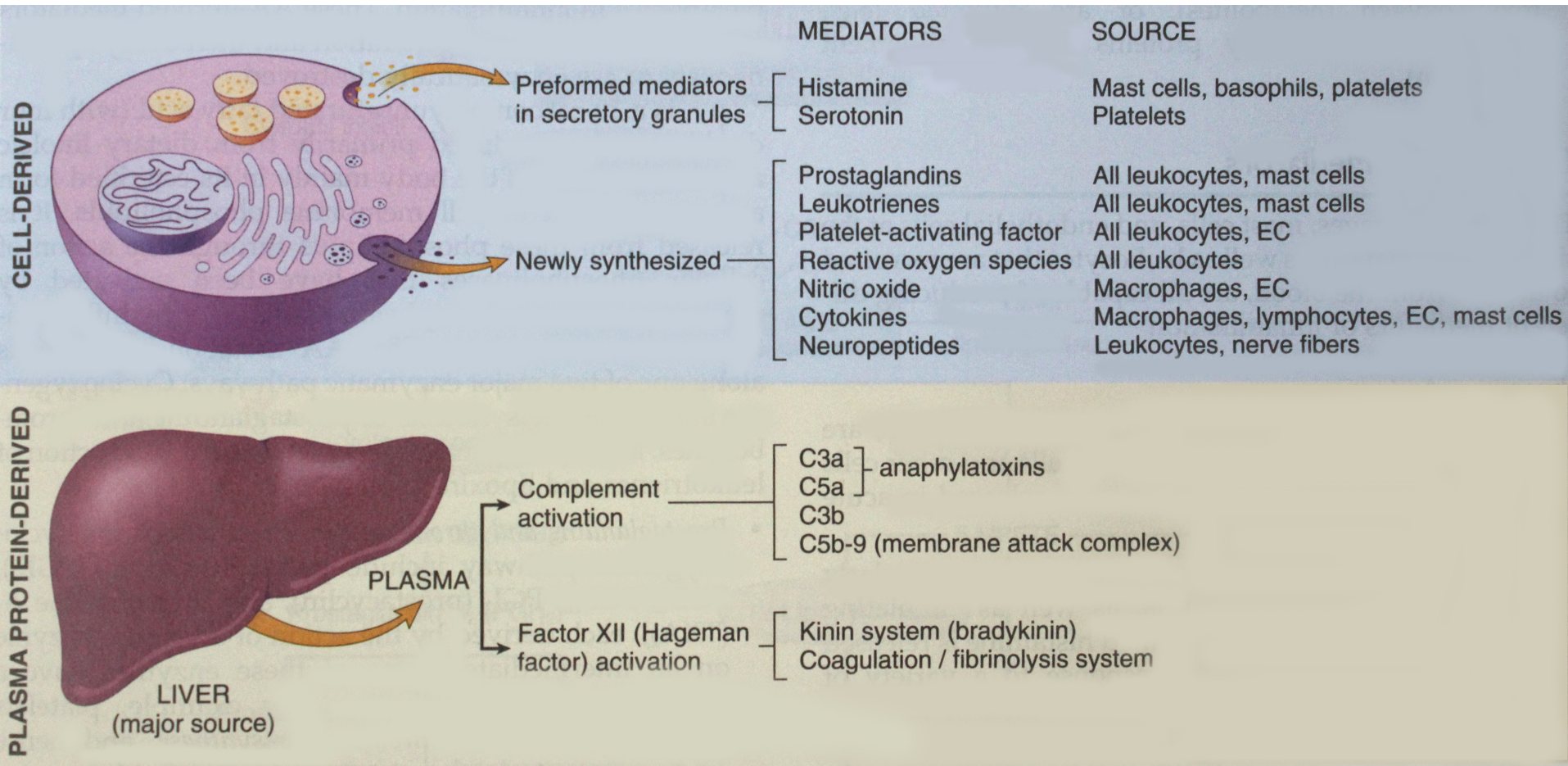
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Chemical mediators and regulators of inflammation



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□ Actions of the mediators of inflammation

Table 2–5 Actions of the Principal Mediators of Inflammation

| Mediator | Source(s) | Actions |
|--|--|--|
| Cell-Derived | | |
| Histamine | Mast cells, basophils, platelets | Vasodilation, increased vascular permeability, endothelial activation |
| Serotonin | Platelets | Vasoconstriction |
| Prostaglandins | Mast cells, leukocytes | Vasodilation, pain, fever |
| Leukotrienes | Mast cells, leukocytes | Increased vascular permeability, chemotaxis, leukocyte adhesion and activation |
| Platelet-activating factor | Leukocytes, mast cells | Vasodilation, increased vascular permeability, leukocyte adhesion, chemotaxis, degranulation, oxidative burst |
| Reactive oxygen species | Leukocytes | Killing of microbes, tissue damage |
| Nitric oxide | Endothelium, macrophages | Vascular smooth muscle relaxation; killing of microbes |
| Cytokines (TNF, IL-1, IL-6) | Macrophages, endothelial cells, mast cells | <i>Local:</i> endothelial activation (expression of adhesion molecules). <i>Systemic:</i> fever, metabolic abnormalities, hypotension (shock) |
| Chemokines | Leukocytes, activated macrophages | Chemotaxis, leukocyte activation |
| Plasma Protein–Derived | | |
| Complement | Plasma (produced in liver) | Leukocyte chemotaxis and activation, direct target killing (MAC), vasodilation (mast cell stimulation) |
| Kinins | Plasma (produced in liver) | Increased vascular permeability, smooth muscle contraction, vasodilation, pain |
| Proteases activated during coagulation | Plasma (produced in liver) | Endothelial activation, leukocyte recruitment |

IL-1, IL-6, interleukin-1 and -6; MAC, membrane attack complex; TNF, tumor necrosis factor.

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□ The roles of cytokines in acute inflammation

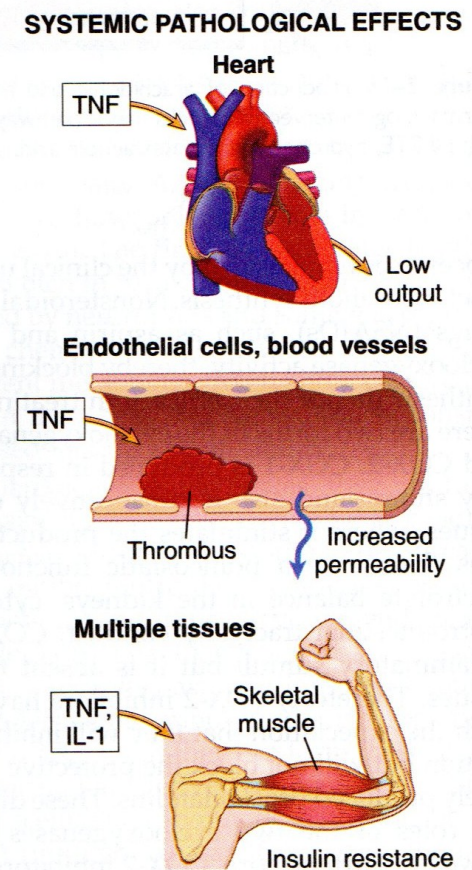
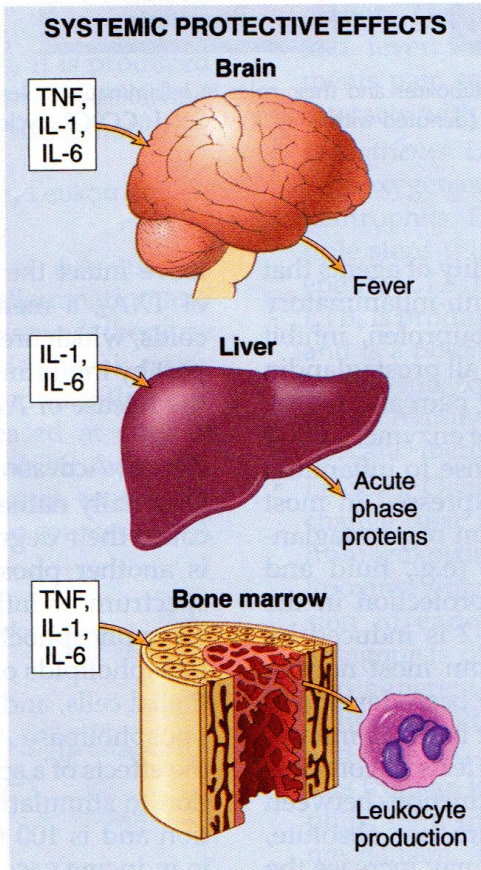
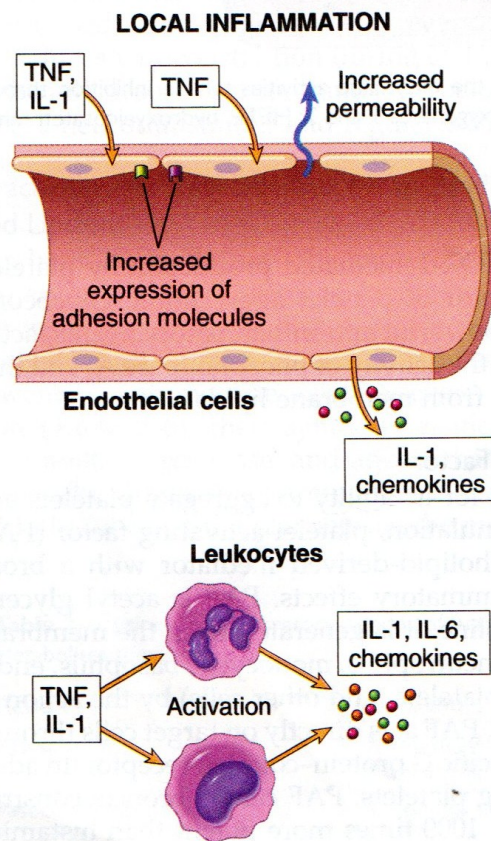


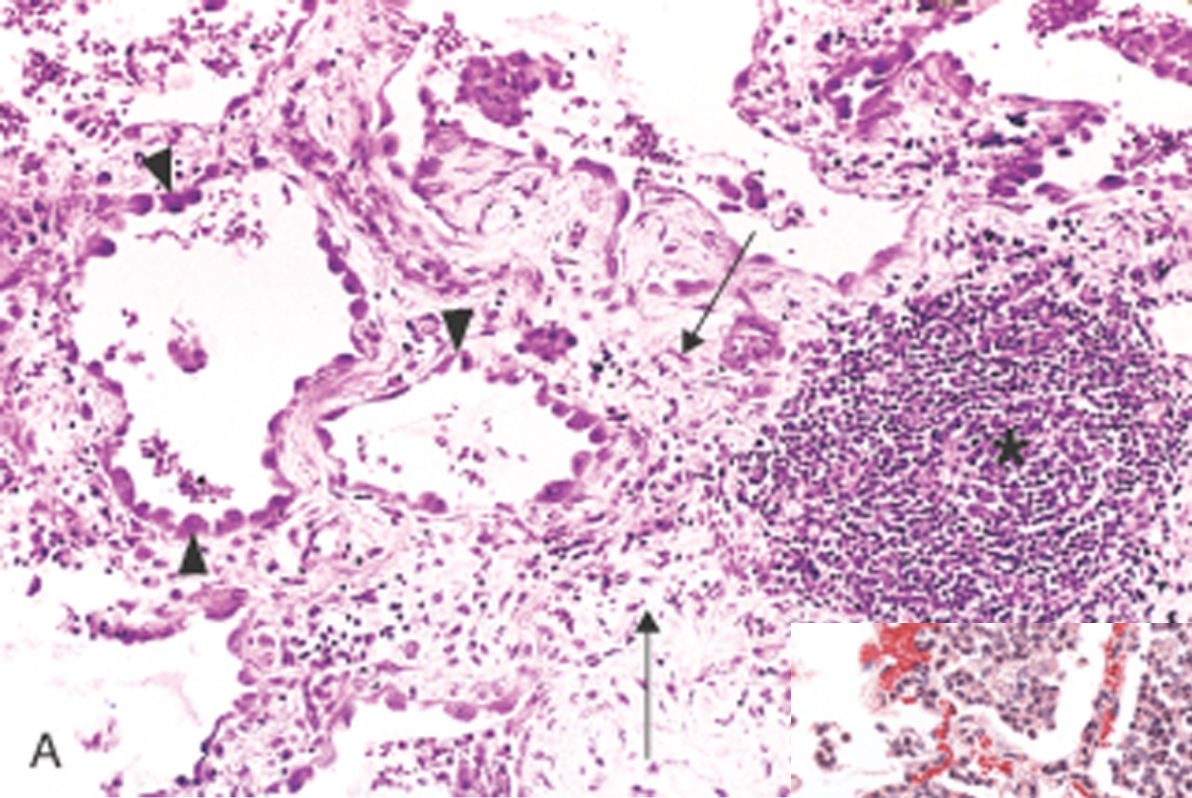
Figure 2-17 The roles of cytokines in acute inflammation. The cytokines TNF, IL-1, and IL-6 are key mediators of leukocyte recruitment in local inflammatory responses and also play important roles in the systemic reactions of inflammation.

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Chronic inflammation

- ❑ Chronic inflammation is inflammation of *prolonged duration* (weeks to years).
- ❑ Infiltration with mononuclear cells--- *macrophages lymphocytes, plasma cells*
- ❑ Tissue destruction--- largely induced by the products of the inflammatory cells
- ❑ Repair process--- new vessel proliferation (angiogenesis) and *fibrosis*

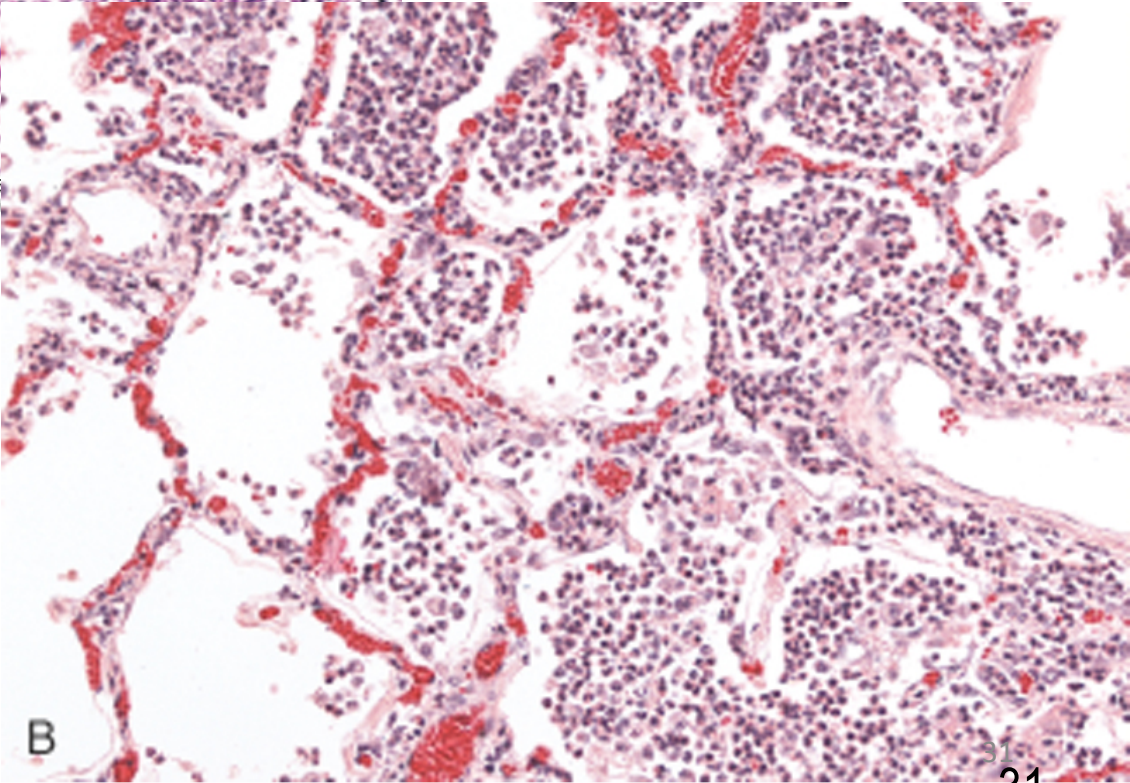
Chronic inflammation



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Acute inflammation



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❖ The stimuli for chronic inflammation

- ❑ Persistent infections by microbes--- *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, *Treponema pallidum*, Virus, and Fungi
- ❑ Immune-mediated inflammatory diseases--- autoimmune diseases, allergic diseases
- ❑ Prolonged exposure to potentially toxic agents

❖ Chronic inflammation cells and mediators

- ❑ The combination of prolonged and repeated inflammation, tissue destruction, and *fibrosis*
- ❑ Chronic inflammation involved complex interaction between several cell populations and their secreted mediators.

Macrophage-lymphocyte interactions in chronic inflammation

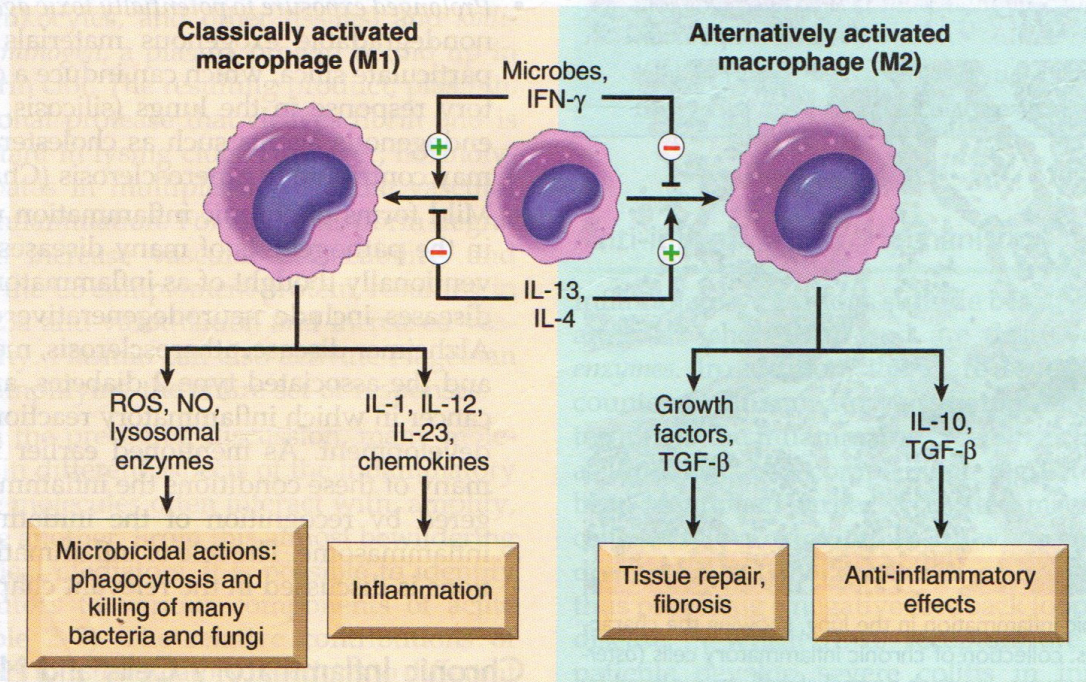


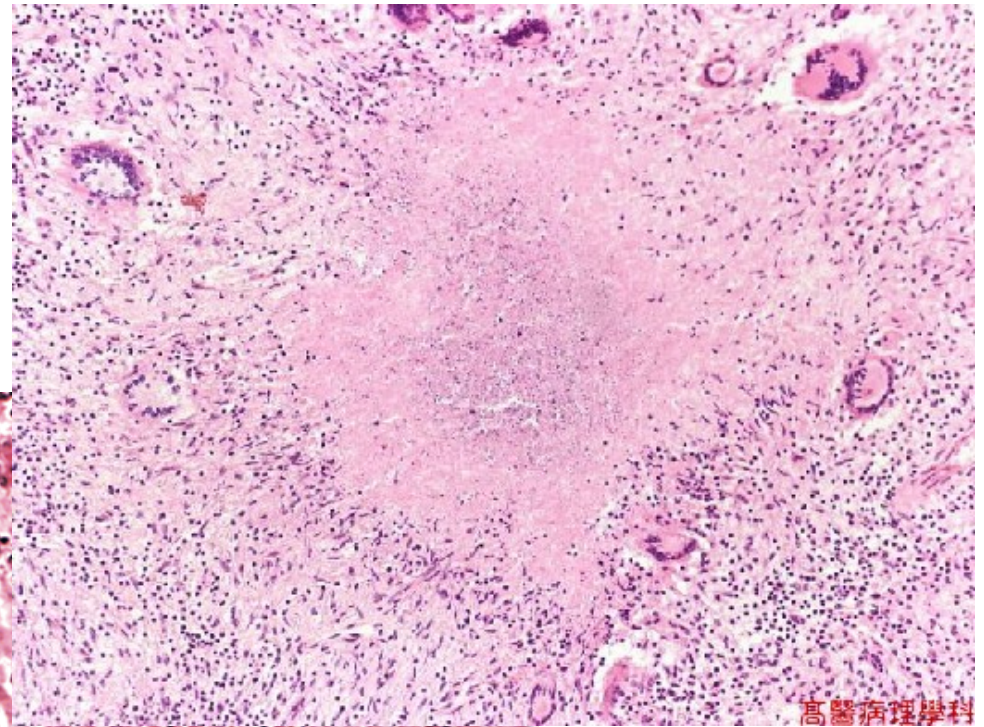
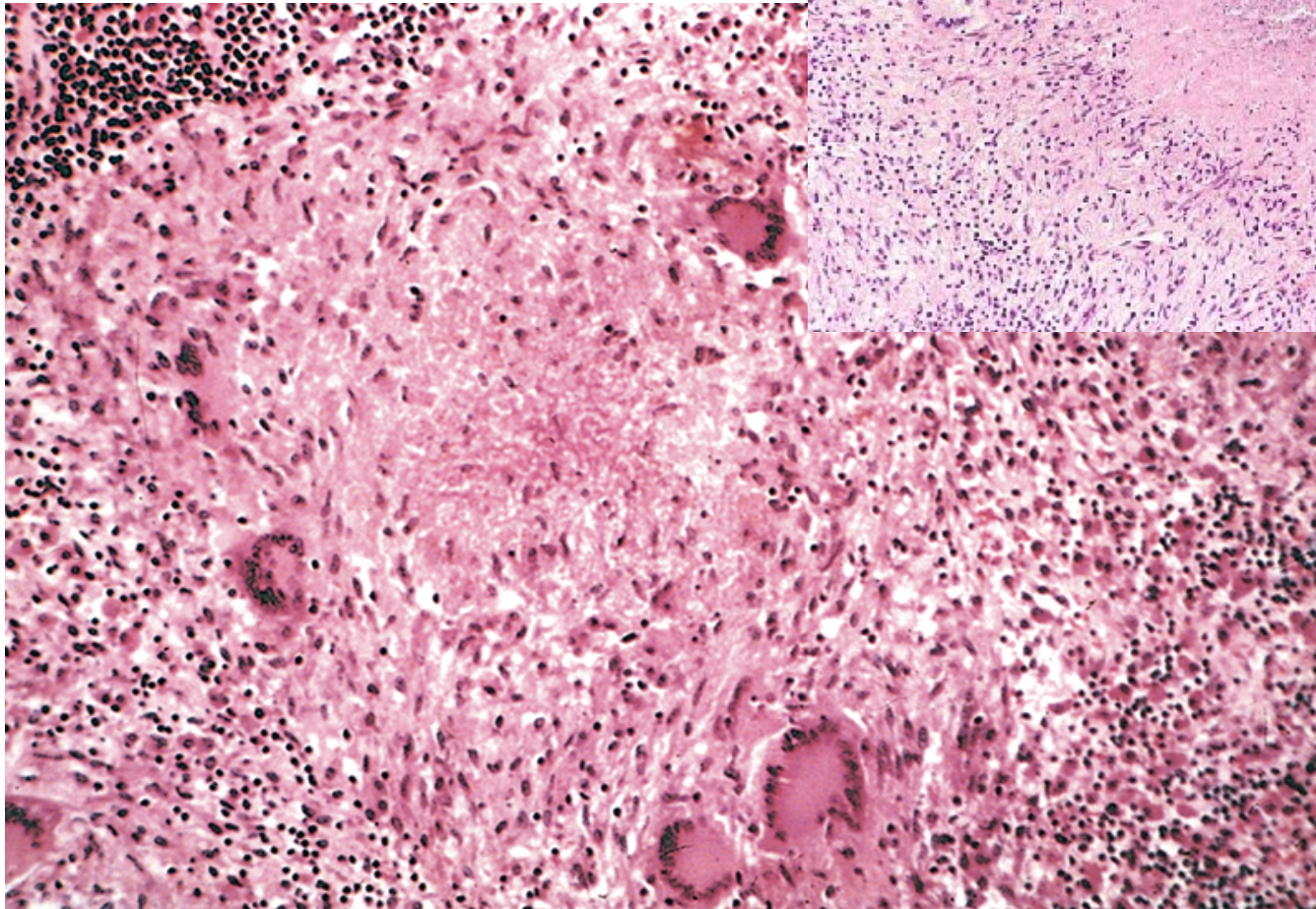
Figure 2-21 Pathways of macrophage activation. Different stimuli activate monocytes/macrophages to develop into functionally distinct populations. Classically activated macrophages are induced by microbial products and cytokines, particularly IFN- γ , and are microbicidal and involved in potentially harmful inflammation. Alternatively activated macrophages are induced by IL-4 and IL-13, produced by T_H2 cells (a helper T cell subset) and other leukocytes, and are important in tissue repair and fibrosis. IFN- γ , interferon- γ ; IL-4, IL-13, interleukin-4, -13.

(Kumar et al, 2015)

❖ Granulomatous inflammation

- ❑ It is a distinctive pattern of *chronic inflammation* characterized by aggregates of activated macrophages with scattered lymphocytes.
- ❑ Granulomas can form under three settings:
 - Persistent T-cell responses to certain microbes--- M. tuberculosis, T. pallidum, or fungi
 - Some immune-mediated inflammatory diseases--- Crohn disease
 - Sarcoidosis--- unknown etiology

- Caseous necrosis
- Activated epithelioid macrophage
- Giant cells--- Langhans giant cell
- A peripheral accumulation of lymphocytes



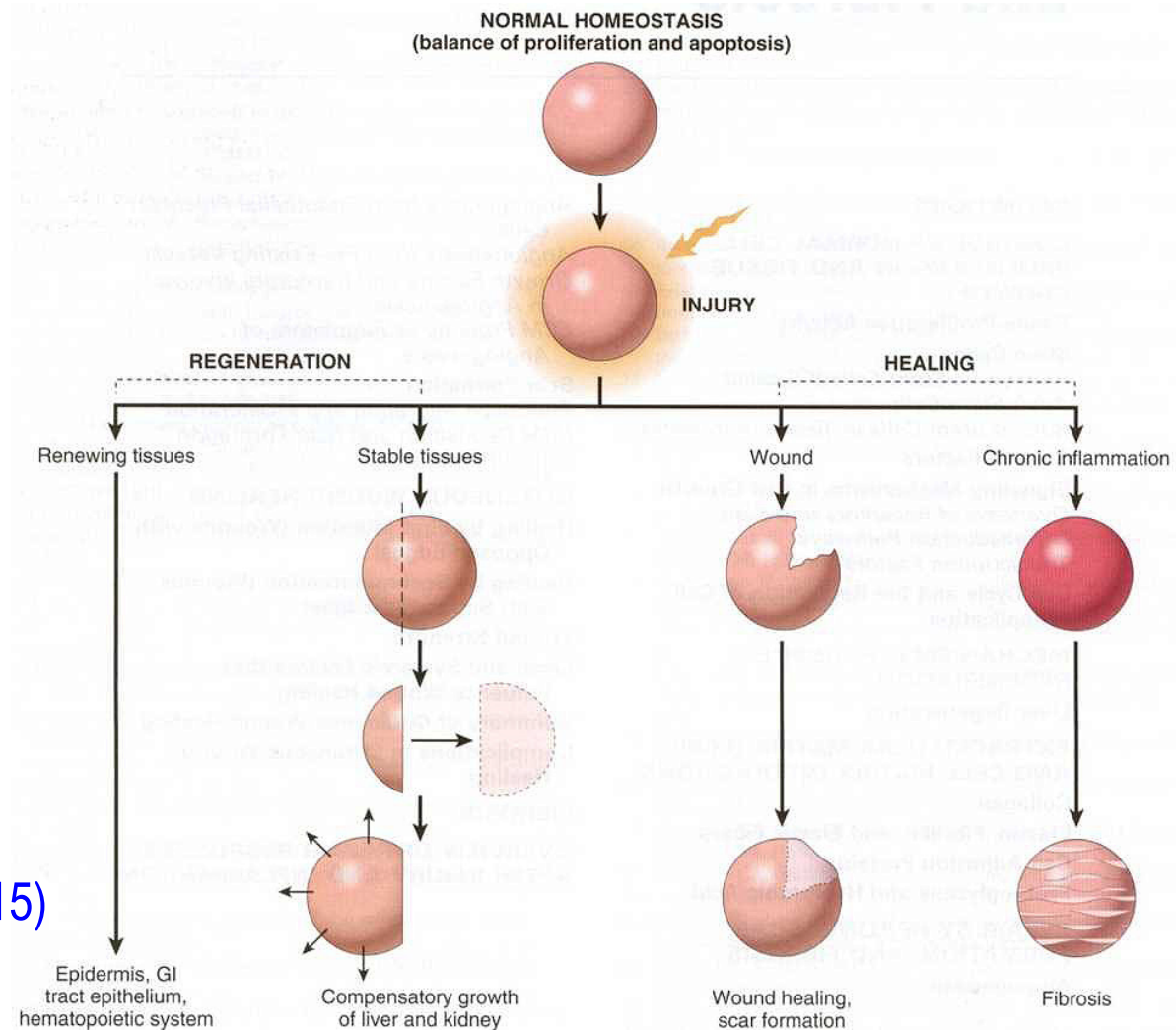
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Systemic effects of inflammation

- ❑ Acute-phase reaction or the systemic inflammatory response syndrome
- ❑ *TNF, IL-1, and IL-6* are the most important mediator.
- ❑ Clinical and pathologic changes:
 - *Fever*--- the most prominent manifestations
 - Elevated plasma levels of acute-phase proteins---
C-reactive protein, fibrinogen, and SAA protein
 - Leukocytosis
 - Others manifestations--- increased heart rate and blood pressure
 - In severe bacterial infection--- *sepsis*

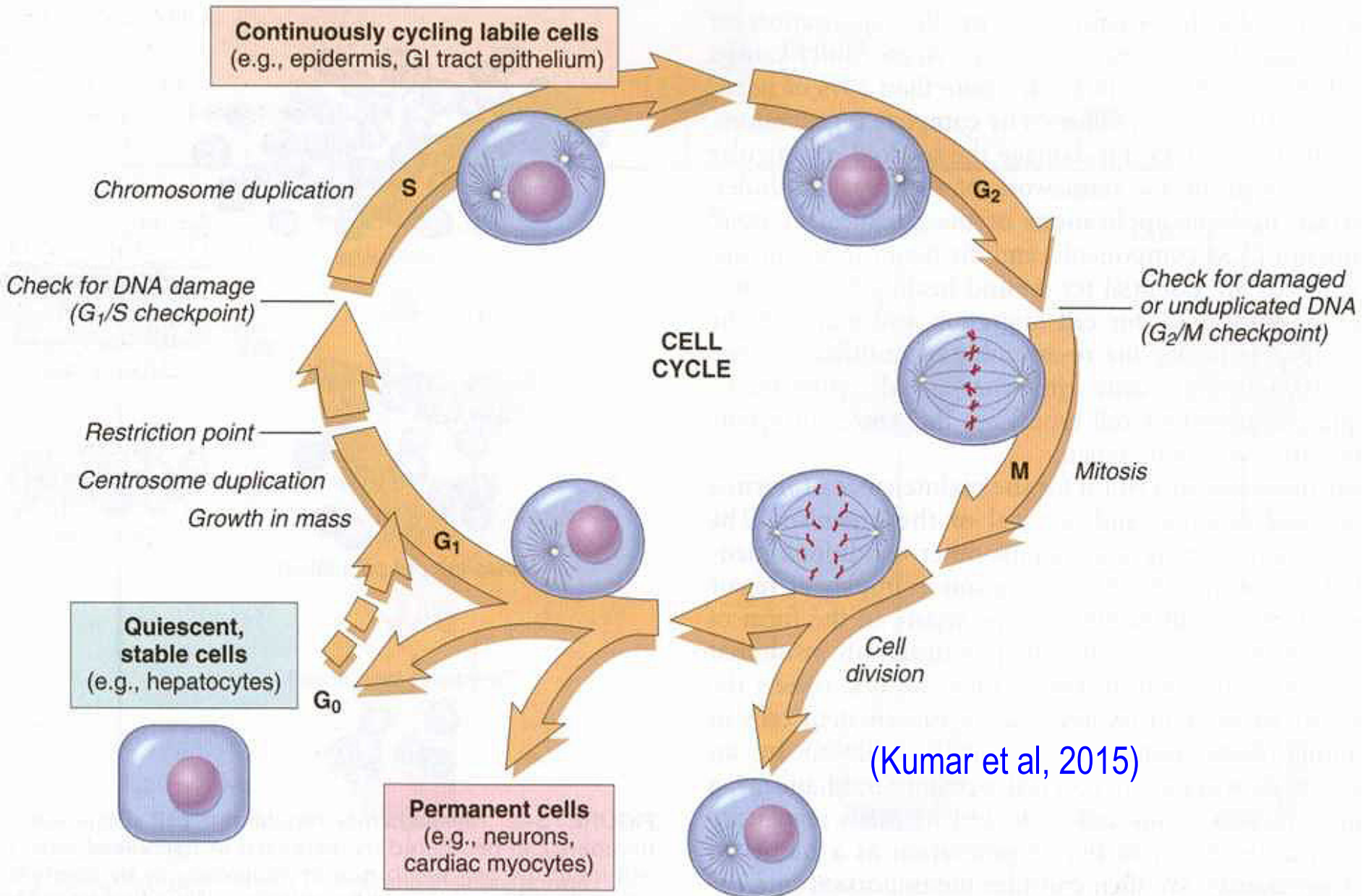
Regenerative & Healing tissues



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□ Regenerative tissue

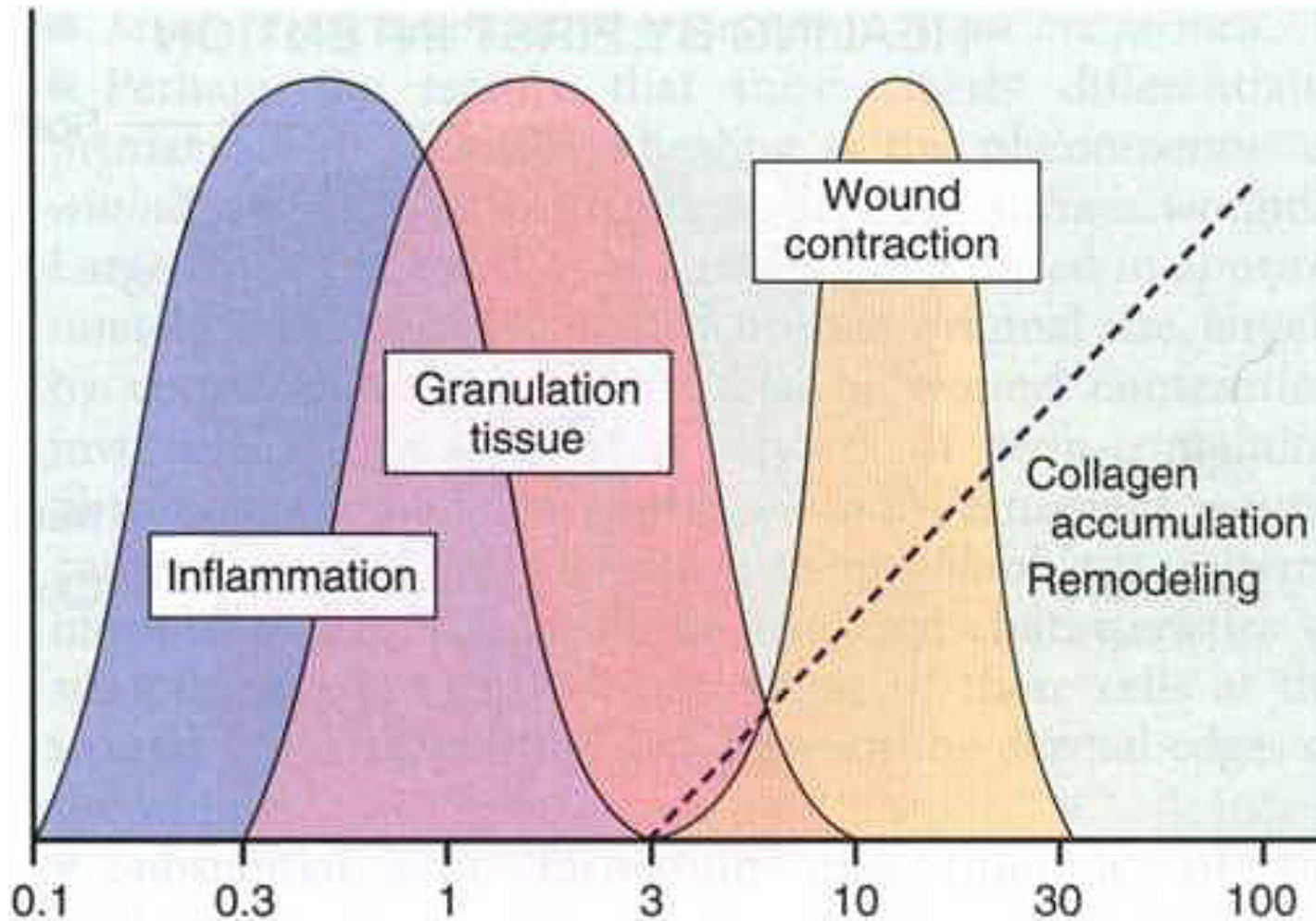
- ❖ It refers to growth of cells and tissues to replace the lost.
- ❖ Tissues with regenerative capacity
 - Renewing tissue--- high proliferative tissue
 - Labile tissue



❑ Healing tissue

- ❖ It is usually a tissue response to
 - Wound--- commonly in the skin inflammatory process
 - Cell necrosis in organs which incapable regeneration
- ❖ Scar formation, Fibrosis

□ Healing process



(Kumar et al, 2015)

□ Wound Healing is a complex of...

- ❖ Induction of acute inflammation process
- ❖ Formation of new blood vessels
- ❖ Synthesis of extracellular matrix (ECM)
- ❖ Tissue remodeling

□ Phases of wound healing

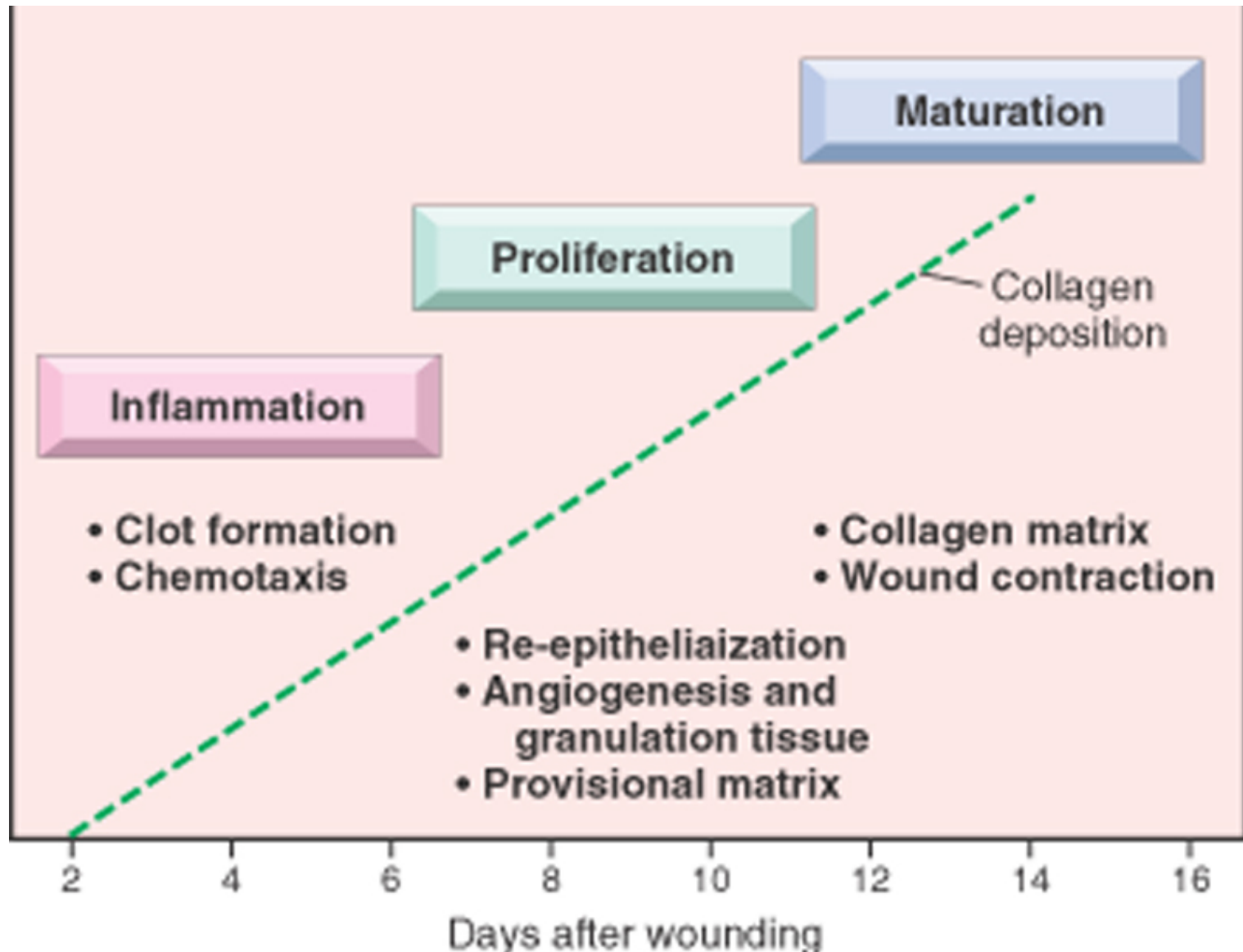


TABLE 3–4 Growth Factors and Cytokines Affecting Various Steps in Wound Healing

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Monocyte chemotaxis | PDGF, FGF, TGF- β |
| Fibroblast migration | PDGF, EGF, FGF, TGF- β , TNF, IL-1 |
| Fibroblast proliferation | PDGF, EGF, FGF, TNF |
| Angiogenesis | VEGF, Ang, FGF |
| Collagen synthesis | TGF- β , PDGF |
| Collagenase secretion | PDGF, FGF, EGF, TNF, TGF- β inhibits |

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□ Angiogenesis

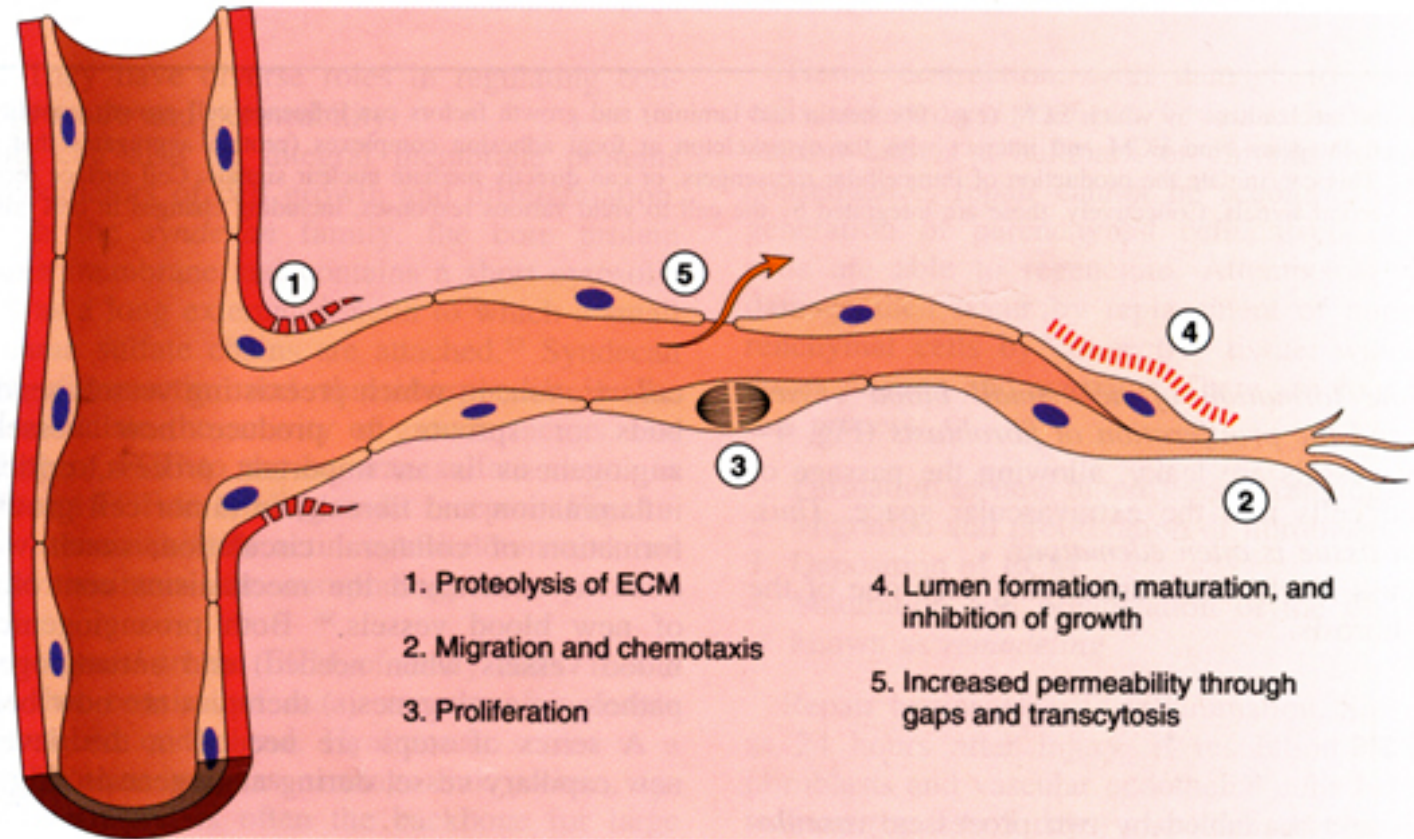


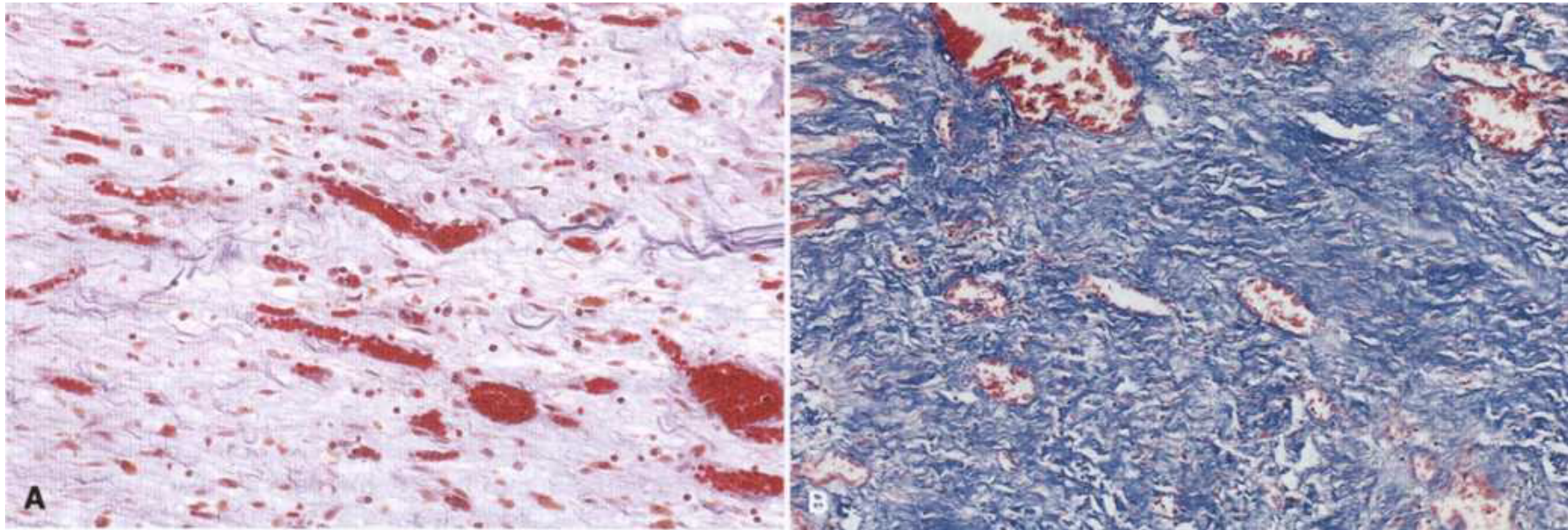
Figure 4-14

Steps in the process of angiogenesis (see text). (Modified from Motamed K, Sage EH: Regulation of vascular morphogenesis by SPARC. *Kidney Int* 51: 1383, 1997.)

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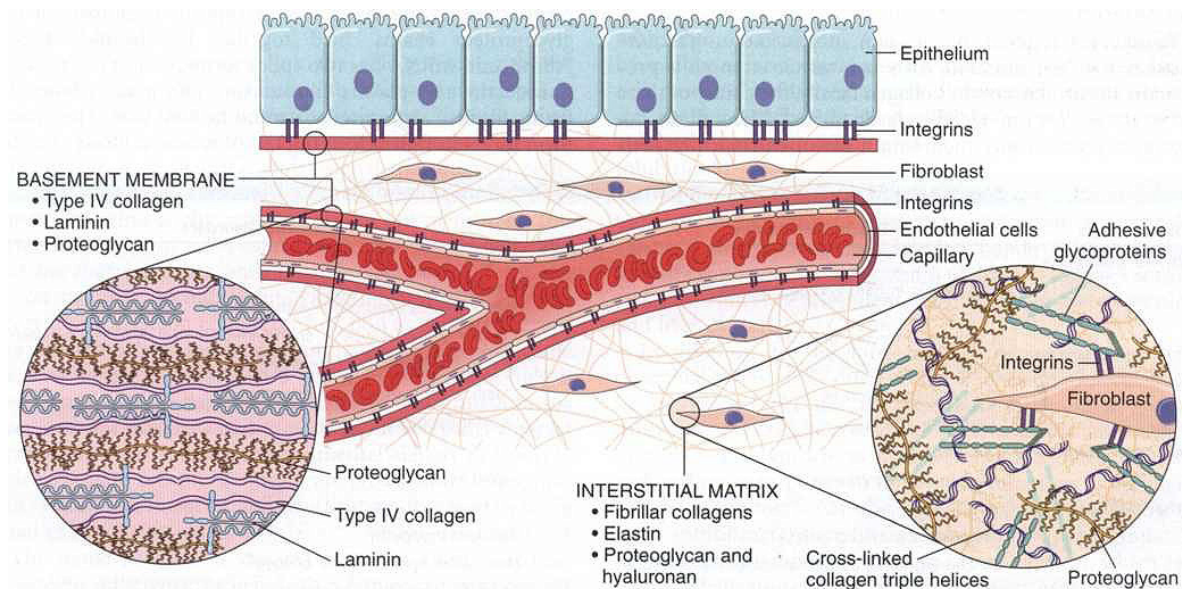
□ Granulation tissue

- ❖ Inflammatory cells
- ❖ Angiogenesis
- ❖ ECM



□ Extracellular matrix (ECM)

- ❖ Fibrous structural proteins--- Collagens, Elastins
- ❖ Adhesive glycoprotein--- Fibronectin, Laminin
- ❖ Water-hydrated gels--- Proteoglycans, Hyaluronan



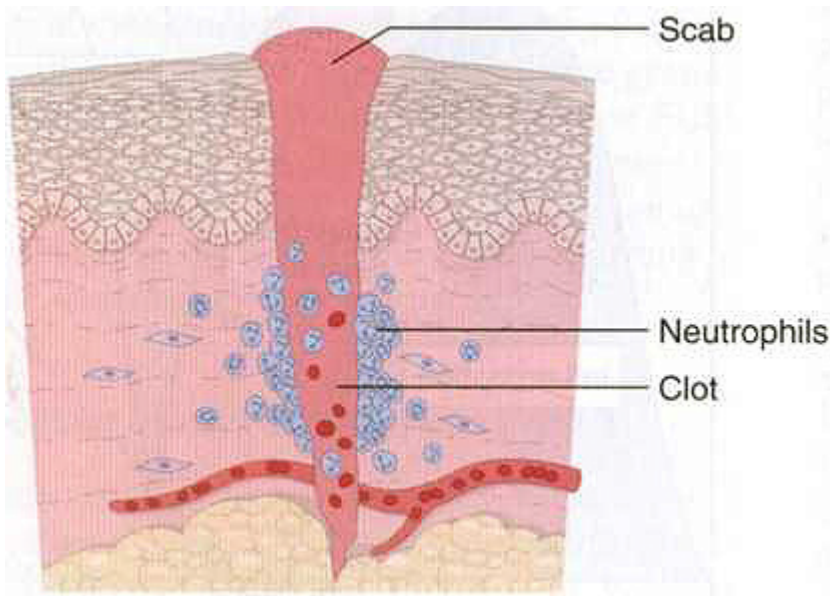
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□ Tissue remodeling

- ❖ The replacement of granulation tissue with a scar
- ❖ The balance between ECM synthesis and degradation
 - Matrix metalloproteinases (MMPs)
 - Tissue inhibitor of metalloproteinases (TIMPs)

□ Steps in wound healing

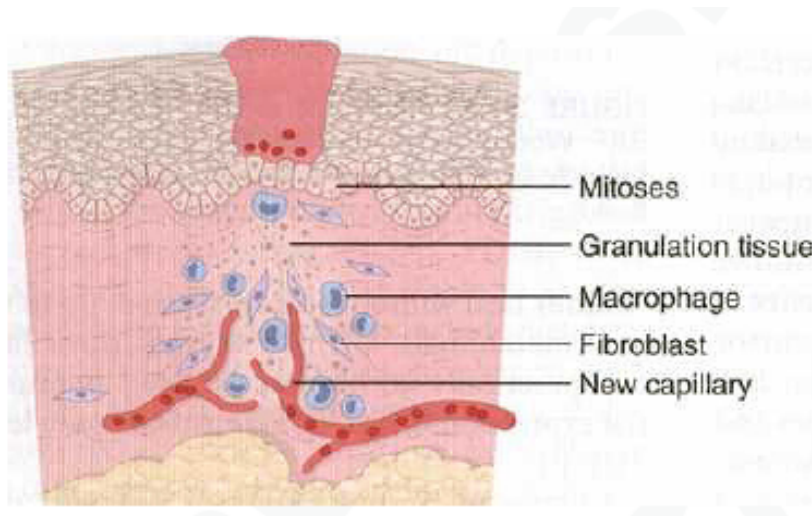
1st Intention



- **Neutrophils** appear at the margins and move toward the fibrin clot.

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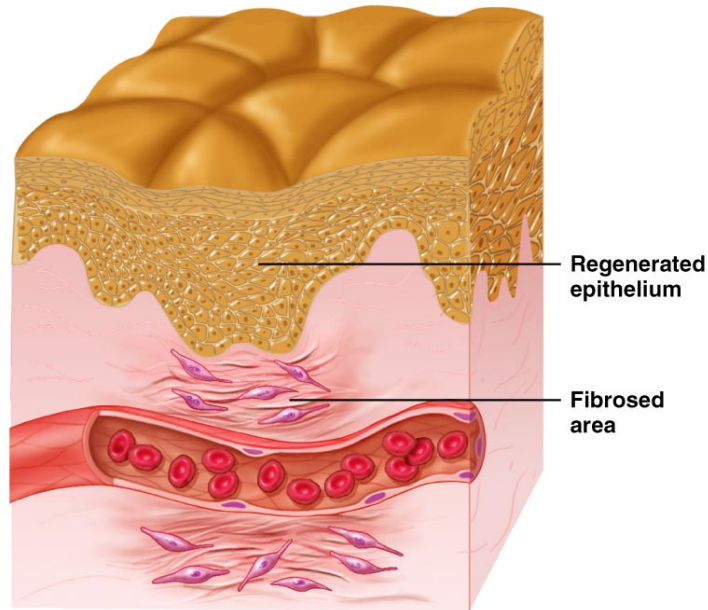
3 to 7 days



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- Neutrophils are replaced by MØ.
- Granulation begins to appear.

- The incisional space is filled with granulation tissue.
- Maximal neovascularization



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- 2 weeks, there is continued accumulation and proliferation of collagen and fibroblasts.

1 month:

- **The scar** is made up of a cellular connective tissue *devoid of inflammatory infiltrate*.
- Covered now by intact epidermis

2nd Intention

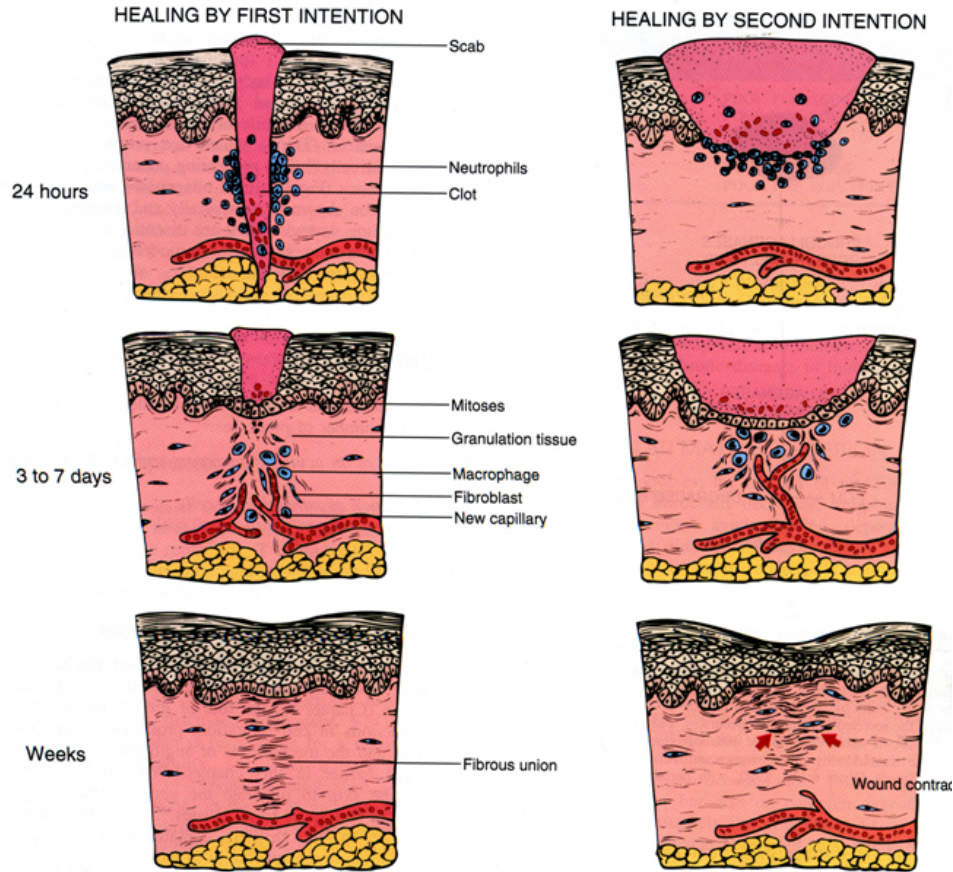


Figure 4-17

Steps in wound healing by first intention (*left*) and second intention (*right*). In the latter, the resultant scar is much smaller than the original wound to wound contraction.

- Large tissue defects generate a larger fibrin clot.
- Larger granulation tissue are formed.
- Substantial scar formation and thinning of the epidermis

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☐ Scar

❖ It is areas of **fibrous tissue** that replace normal skin/tissue after injury.

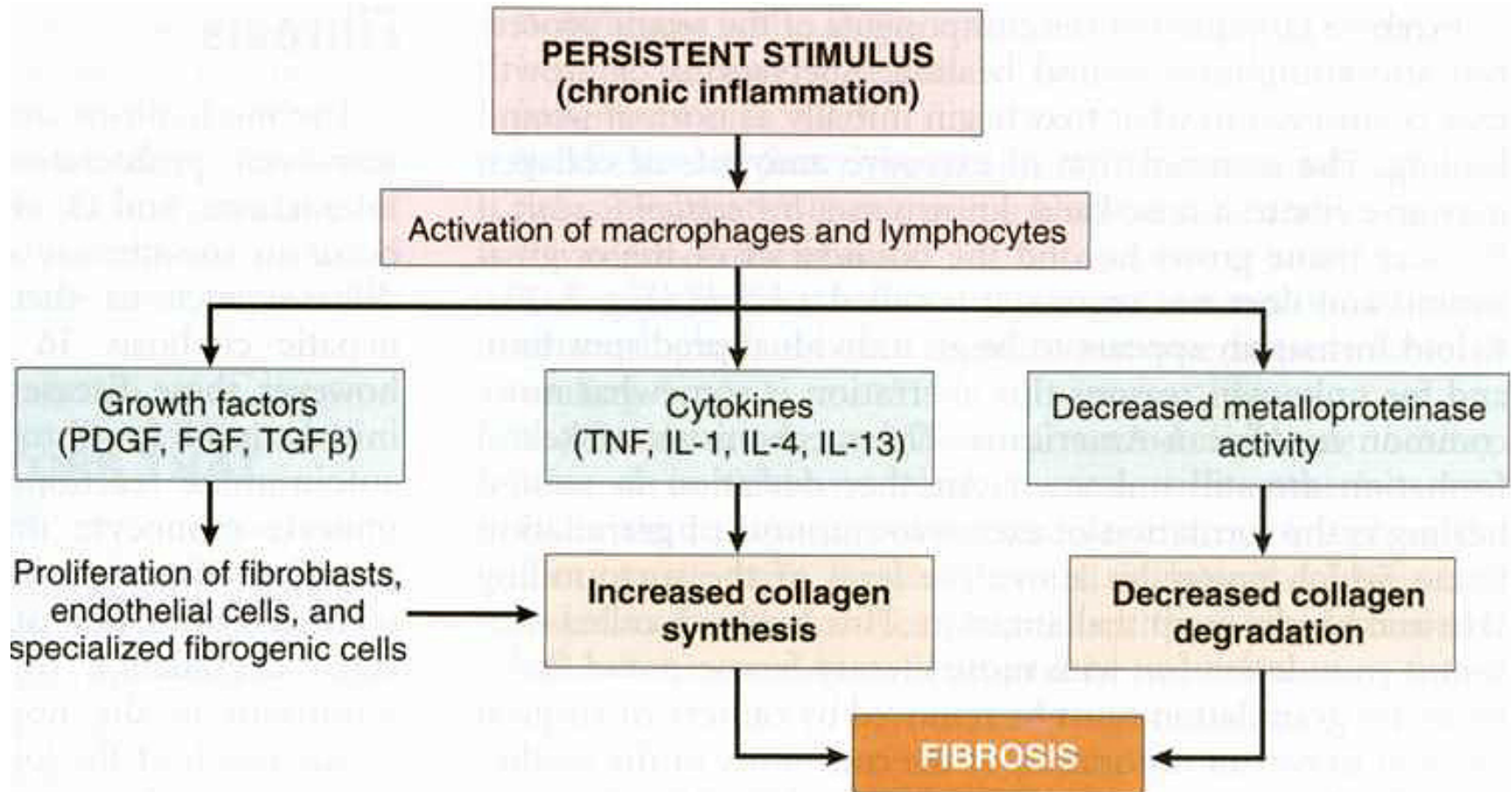
❖ It is a composed of mainly either type III (early) **or type I** (late) collagen.



(<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scar>)

❖ Natural part of the healing process

Development of fibrosis in chronic inflammation



(Kumar et al, 2015)

❑ Wound strength

- ❖ Wound strength is approximately 10% in 1 week.
- ❖ The strength increases rapidly within 4 weeks.
- ❖ The recovery of tensile strength results from the excess of collagen synthesis (2 months).
- ❖ 70% to 80% the tensile strength of unwounded skin (3 months)

□ The factors that influence wound healing

| Local Factors | |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Blood supply | Mechanical stress |
| Denervation | Necrotic tissue |
| Local infection | Protection (dressings) |
| Foreign body | Surgical techniques |
| Hematoma | Type of tissue |
| Systemic Factors | |
| Age | Malnutrition |
| Anemia | Obesity |
| Drugs (steroids, cytotoxic medications, intensive antibiotic therapy) | Systemic infection |
| Genetic disorders (osteogenesis imperfecta, Ehlers-Danlos syndromes, Marfan syndrome) | Temperature |
| Hormones | Trauma, hypovolemia, and hypoxia |
| Diabetes | Uremia |
| Malignant disease | Vitamin deficiency (vitamin C) |
| | Trace metal deficiency (zinc, copper) |

(Kumar et al, 2015)

❖ Complications in cutaneous wound healing

They can arise from abnormalities in any of the basic components of the repair process.

(1) Deficient scar formation

(2) Excessive formation of the repair components

(3) Formation of contractures

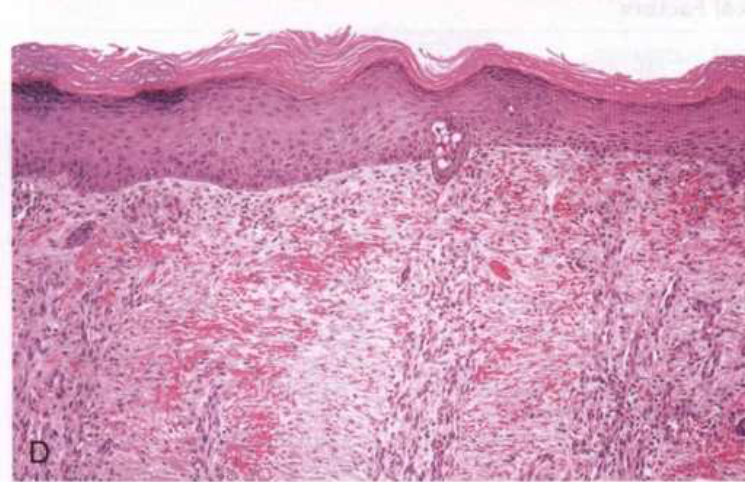
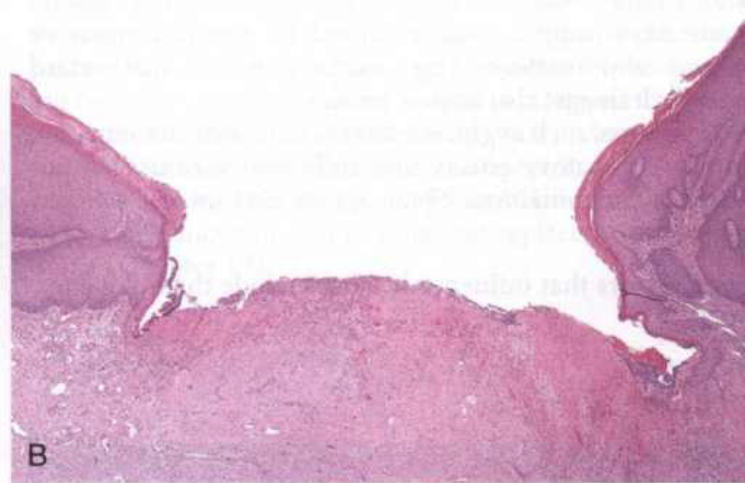
1. Deficient scar formation

- ❖ Inadequate formation of granulation tissue or assembly of a scar
- ❖ Wound dehiscence
- ❖ Ulceration



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❖ Healing of skin ulcers



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2. Excessive scar formation

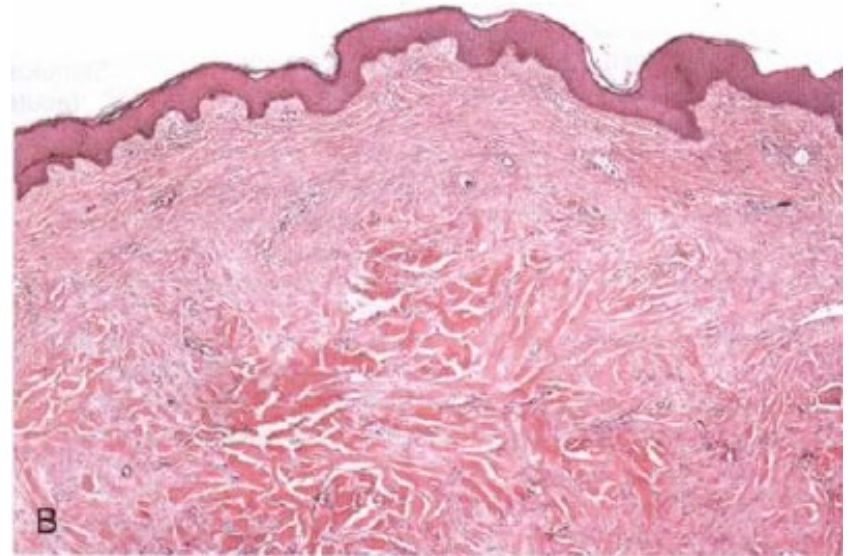
- ❖ Keloid (immature type III collagen)
- ❖ Hypertrophic scar (in black people)



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□ Keloid

- ❖ It is a result of an overgrowth of granulation tissue (collagen type 3) at the site of a healed skin injury.
- ❖ It is then slowly replaced by collagen type 1.



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3. Formation of contractures

- ❖ The size of a wound is an important part of the normal healing process.
- ❖ The excess of wound contraction leads to physical deformity that characterized by skin constriction and functional limitations.

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