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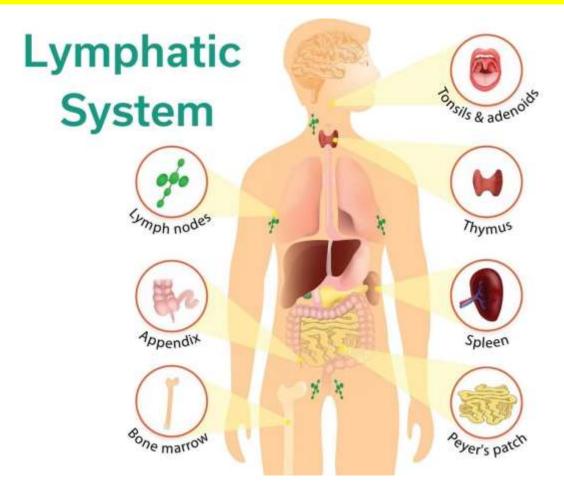
SUBJECT: ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY

UNIT II: LYMPHATIC SYSTEM



THE LYMPHATIC SYSTEM





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LYMPHATIC SYSTEM IMMUNITY



- The ability to resist infection and disease through the activation of specific defenses
- These defenses can be found in the lymphatic system



LYMPHATIC SYSTEM ORGANIZATION



- Lymphatic System Definitions
- Pathogens—Organisms that cause disease
- Lymphatic System—Cells, tissues, and organs that play a central role in the body's defenses against pathogens
- Lymphatic system consists of vessels (lymphatics) filled with lymph connected to lymphatic organs



LYMPHATIC SYSTEM ORGANS

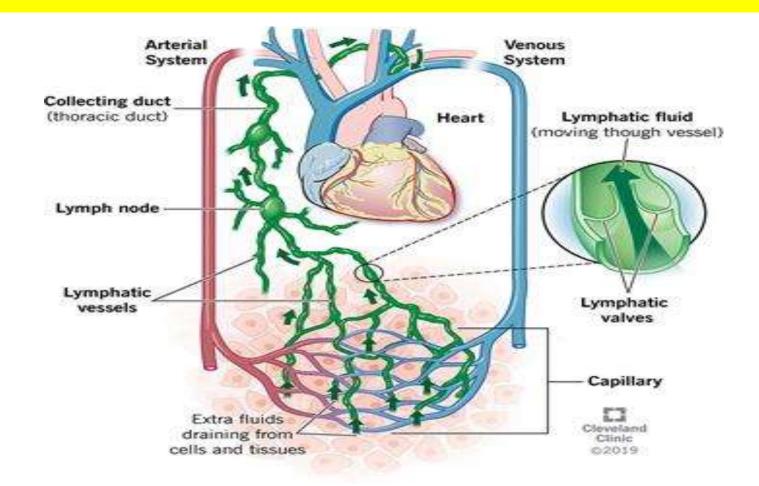


- Lymphatic Fluid
- Lymphatic Vessels
- Lymphocytes
- Lymphatic organs



LYMPHATIC CIRCULATION







Functions of the Lymphatic System



- Produce, maintain, distribute lymphocytes
- Lymphocytes attack invading organisms, abnormal cells, foreign proteins
- Maintain blood volume
- Help eliminate local variations in interstitial fluid concentration
- Lymphatic fluid Lymph (lympha=clear water) fluid flow through lymphatic vessels Similar in its makeup to Plasma found in blood



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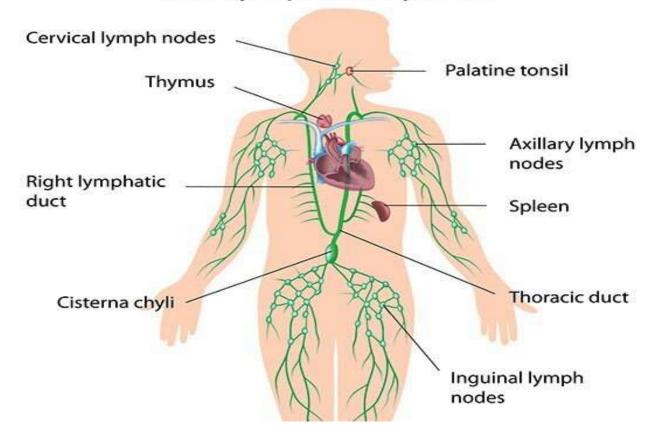
- Lymph collected by capillaries are collected into two ducts
- Left Thoracic duct collects from left side head, neck, and chest, left upper extremity, and entire body below ribs
- Right Lymphatic duct collects from upper right side of body



LYMPHATIC NETWORK



The Lymphatic System





LYMPHOCYTES



- Cells of lymphatic system
- Provide defense against specific pathogens or toxins
- Live months, even decades
- Produced in bone marrow and lymphatic tissues
- Found in blood and tissues



THREE CLASSES OF LYMPHOCYTES



- T cells -Thymus dependent
- B cells Bone marrow derived
- NK cells Natural killer



TYPES OF LYMPHOCYTES



- T-Cells- directly attack foreign cells or body cells infected by viruses Majority circulating lymphocytes are T-Cells
- B-Cells produce antibodies which react with antigens (pathogens i.e. bacteria) Antibodies join with antigens begin destruction of target
- NK cells natural killer cells Attack foreign cells, normal cells infected with viruses, cancer cells



LYMPHOID ORGANS



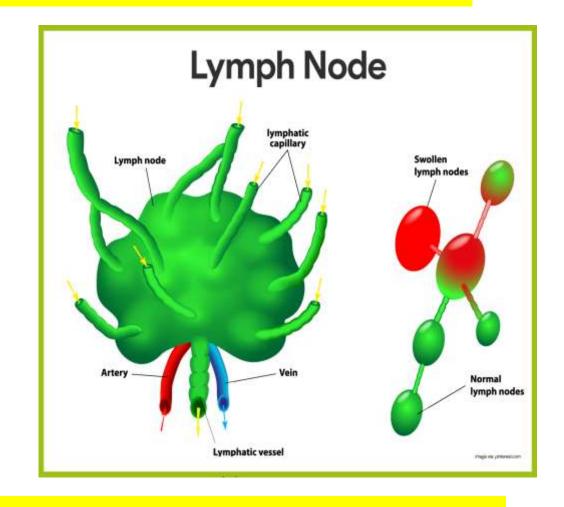
- Important lymphoid organs include:
- Lymph nodes
- Thymus
- Spleen
- Located in areas that are vulnerable to pathogens



LYMPH NODES



- small, round organs, range from small to big
- Function of lymph nodes
- Filter lymph before returned to blood stream
- 99 percent of pathogens (bacteria, toxins etc.) are removed
- Located in ideal spots to protect vital organs of body

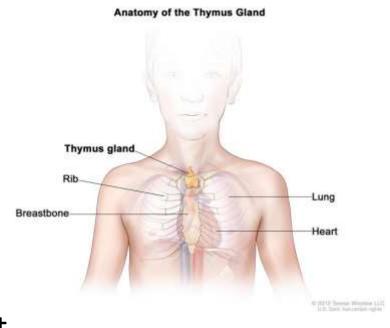




THE THYMUS



- Lies behind sternum
- T cells divide and mature there
- Shrinks after puberty
- Produces thymosins
- Hormones that regulate T cell development





THE SPLEEN



White pulp

- Resembles lymphoid nodules
- Removes antigens
- Initiates immune response

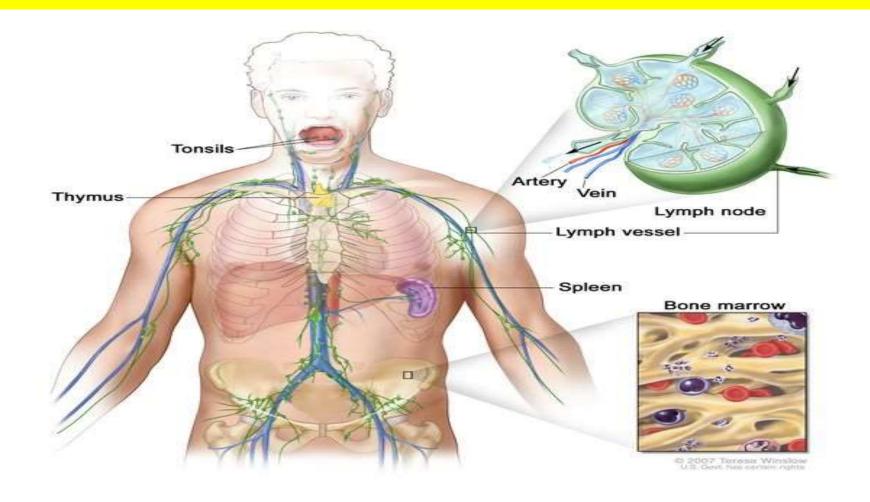
Red pulp

- Contains red blood cells
- Recycles damaged or out-
- dated RBCs
- Stores iron from recycled
- **RBCs**



THE SPLEEN



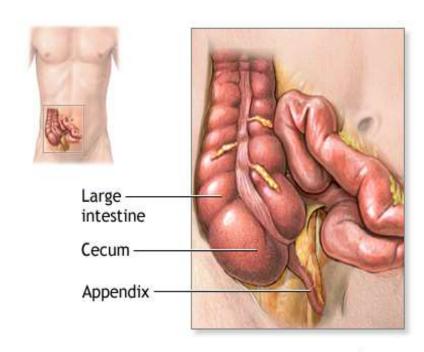




THE APPENDIX



- Has an immune function, especially early in life.
- Assists with the maturation of B lymphocytes, and in the production of antibodies known as immunoglobulin A.
- Researchers have also shown that it's involved in the production of molecules that help direct the movement of lymphocytes to various other locations in the body.



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