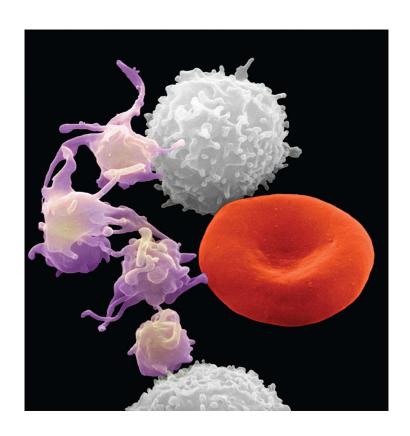
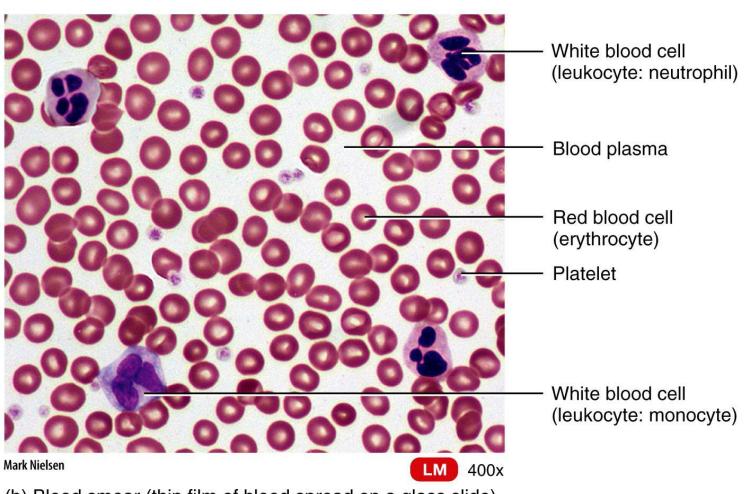
### Hemopoiesis

## (Erythropoiesis and Leukopoiesis)



#### **Hemopoiesis Produces the Blood's Formed Elements**

#### Where are they formed? How are they formed? Why are they formed?



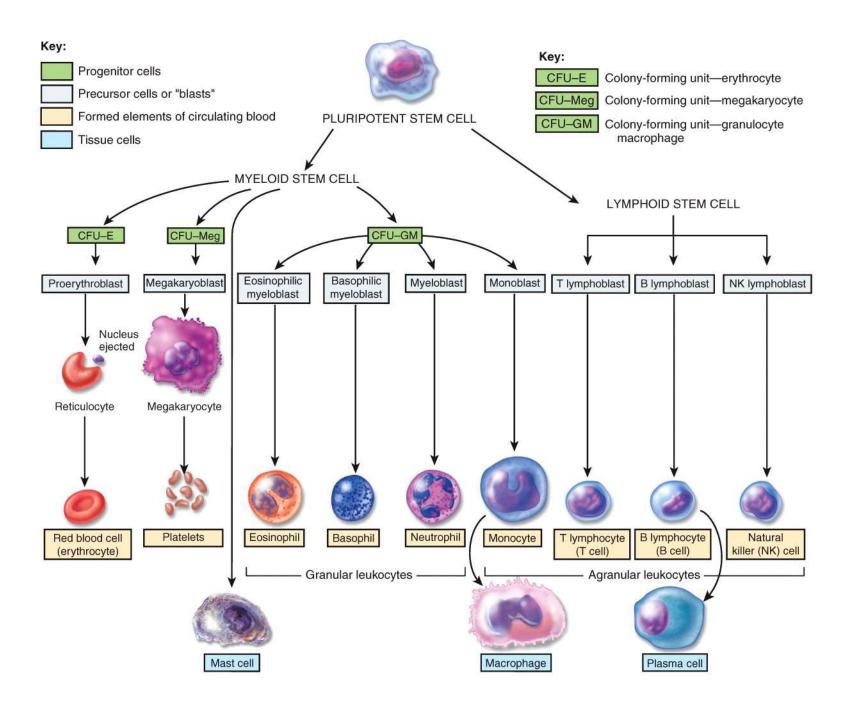
(b) Blood smear (thin film of blood spread on a glass slide)

## Hemopoiesis

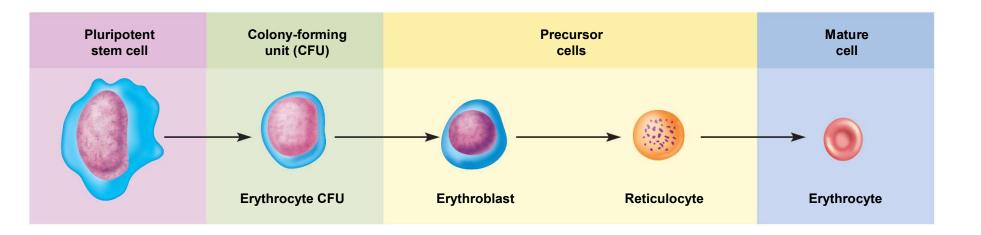
- Hemopoiesis = the production of the blood (especially its formed elements)
  - Red bone marrow produces all nine formed elements /// hemopoietic tissues = producer of blood cells (WBC / RBC / Platelets)
  - embryonic development -- yolk sac = embryonic structure produces stem cells for first blood cells // stem cells colonize <u>fetal bone marrow</u>, <u>liver, spleen and thymus</u>
  - liver stops producing blood cells at birth
  - spleen remains involved with lymphocyte production after birth
- Adult daily production
  - 400 billion platelets
  - 200 billion RBCs
  - 10 billion WBCs

## Hemopoiesis

- <u>pluripotent stem cells</u> (PPSC) // formally called hemocytoblasts or hemopoietic stem cells // PPSC generate specific colony forming units for each formed element
- colony forming units specialized stem cells only producing one class of formed element of blood
- <u>myeloid hemopoiesis</u> blood formation in the red bone marrow (sometimes called myeloid tissue or hemopoetic tissue)
- <u>lymphoid hemopoiesis</u> blood formation in the lymphatic organs



#### **Erythropoiesis**



Production of RBC

3 to 5 days to complete

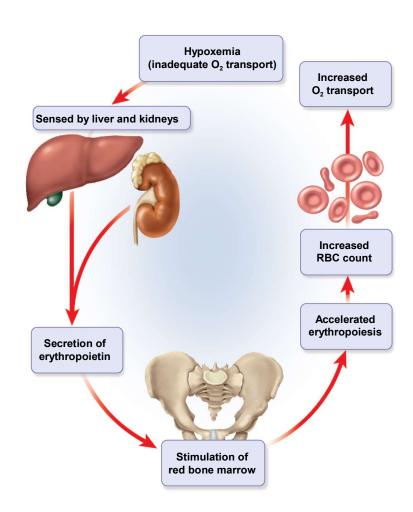
Regulatory mechanism stimulus = hypoxia

Hypoxia signals kidney to release erthropoietin (hormone)

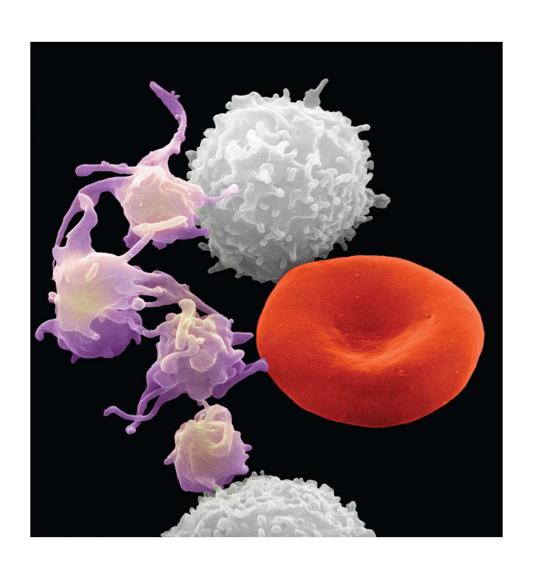
Hormone receptors on erythrocyte CFU

#### Regulating Erythrocyte Homeostasis

- negative feedback regulation
  - drop in RBC count causes hypoxemia// stimulus for kidneys
  - kidney produces erythropoietin // hormone // stimulates bone marrow
  - RBC count increases in 3 5 days
- stimulus to increase erythropoiesis
  - low levels O<sub>2</sub> (hypoxemia) caused by
    - high altitude
    - increase in exercise
    - loss of lung tissue as in emphysema



# Leukopoiesis



## Leukopoiesis

- leukopoiesis production of white blood cells
- pluripotent stem cells (PPSCs) // produce all formed elements including the leukocytes (WBC)
  - myeloblasts form neutrophils, eosinophils, basophils
  - monoblasts form monocytes
  - lymphoblasts give rise to all forms of lymphocytes
- red bone marrow produce, stores and releases all granulocytes, monocytes (agranulocyte)
- B cells // a type of lymphocyte // born in red bone marrow, matures and released from RB marrow
- T lymphocytes born in red bone marrow but complete development in thymus

# Leukocytes (WBCs)

- WBC least abundant of all the formed elements // 5,000 to 10,000 WBCs/μL
- Primary function = protect against infectious microorganisms and other pathogens
- WBCs have conspicuous nucleus
- Spend only a few hours in the blood stream before migrating out of blood and into connective tissue (i.e. reticuloendothelial system)
- Retain their organelles for protein synthesis

