STUDY GUIDE: Immunology

KEY TERMS

- immunity
- active
- passive
- antigen
- antigenetic determinants
- immunoglobulins (Ig)
- antibody structure
- variable regions
- constant regions
- light chains
- heavy chains
- antigen binding site
- lymphocytes
- humoral immune response
- cell-mediated immune response
- B lymphocyte
- plasma cells
- memory cells
- macrophages
- complement systems
- T lymphocyte
- cytotoxic T cells
- helper T cells
- suppressor T cells
- interleukins
- lymphokines
- interferon
- clonal selection
- autoimmune disease
- major histocompatibility complex (MHC antigens)

QUESTIONS

1. What is a nonspecific defense mechanism? Give two examples.
2. Describe inflammatory response. How does inflammatory response help the body fight invaders?
3. What is humoral immune response?
4. What is cell-mediated response?
5. Complete the following table

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6. Explain what happens when an organism is exposed to an antigen such as a bacterial cell and is stimulated to produce antibodies, making clear the role of the B lymphocytes, plasma cells, memory cells, antibodies, macrophages, K lymphocytes, mast cells, and the complement system.
7. Diagram an antibody molecule, label light and heavy chains and the antigen binding sites.
8. Describe how the cell-mediated immune response acts to defend the body against antigens such as those found on cancer cells or virus-infected cells. Be sure to include the role of memory cells, cytotoxic T cells, helper T cells, suppressor T cells, interleukins, lymphokines, macrophages, and mast cells.
9. How is the body able to respond specifically to a very large number of invaders (antigens)?
10. What is secondary immune response? Use a graph to illustrate how it works.
11. Explain how the body is able to recognize "self" from "nonself" and discuss the role of the antigens produced by the major histocompatibility complex (MHC) in the recognition of infected or transplanted cells.
12. What is an autoimmune disease?