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**Central Leukocyte Count (**



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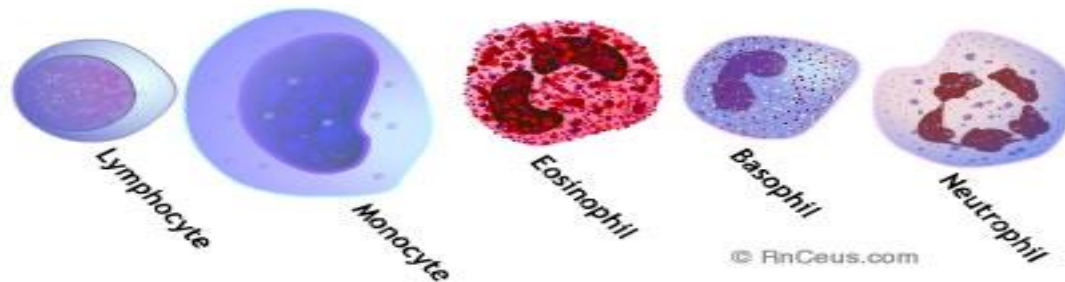




# Types of WBC

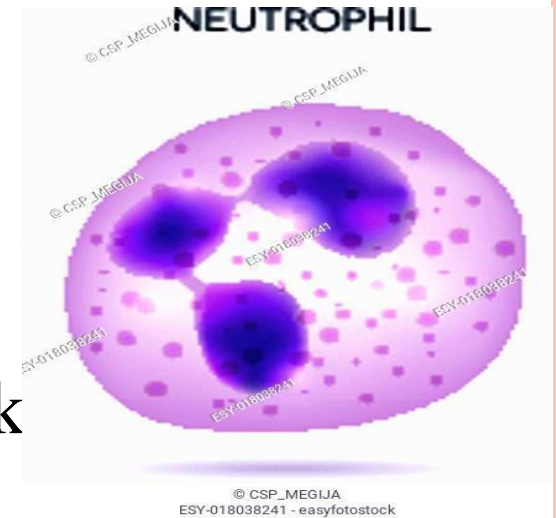
- WBCs are classified into two groups:

Agranulocytes	Granulocytes
Lymphocytes	Neutrophils
Monocytes	Eosinophil's
	Basophils



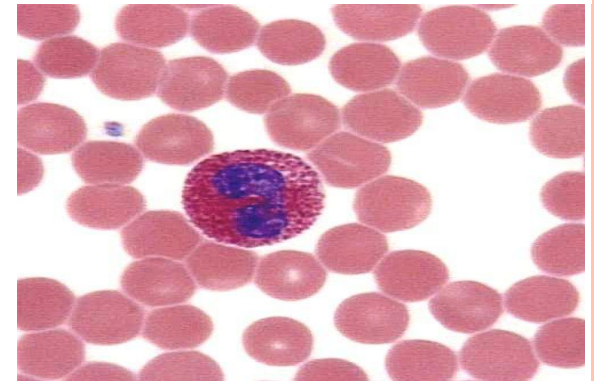
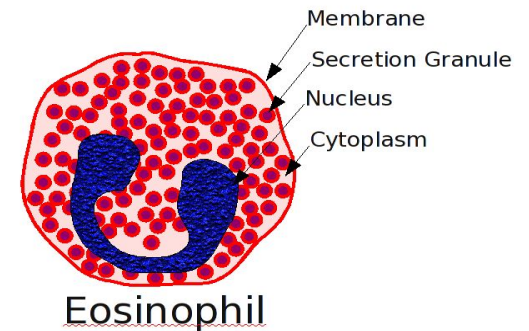
# Granulocytes (Neutrophils)

- ❑ Cell diameter: 10-15  $\mu\text{m}$ .
- ❑ Nucleus: multi-lobed (2-5 lobes), dark purple-blue in color.
- ❑ Cytoplasm: Pink with fine violet-pink granules.
- ❑ Normal %: 40-80.
- ❑ Absolute count per  $\mu\text{l}$ : 2000-7500
- ❑ Function: Phagocytosis of bacteria and fungi.




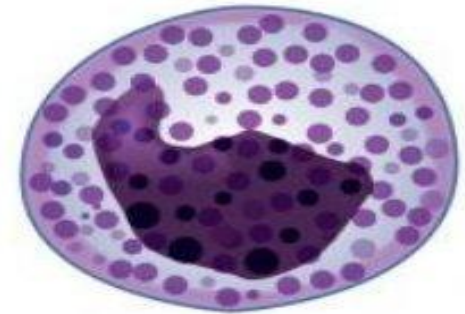
# Eosinophil's

- Cell diameter: 12-17  $\mu\text{m}$ .
- Nucleus: Bi-lobed, spectacle shape, purple in color.
- Cytoplasm: has orange-red granules.
- Normal %: 1-5.
- Absolute count per  $\mu\text{l}$  : 40-400.
- Function: Involved in allergy, parasitic infections.

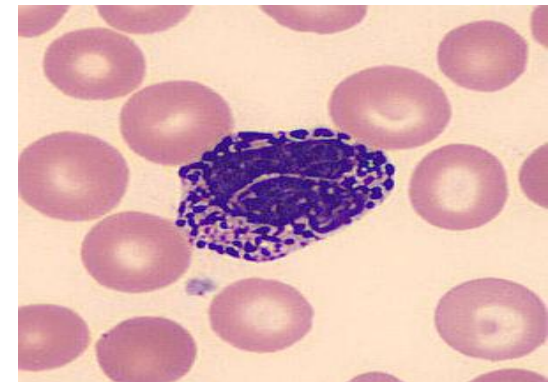


# Basophils

- ❑ Cell diameter: 10-15  $\mu\text{m}$ .
- ❑ Nucleus: Bi-lobed, purple in color.
- ❑ Cytoplasm: dark blue or purple granules.
- ❑ Normal %: 0-1. 
- ❑ Absolute count per  $\mu\text{l}$  : 10-100.
- ❑ Function: involved in immune response to parasites. Release histamines that mediate inflammation and allergic responses.



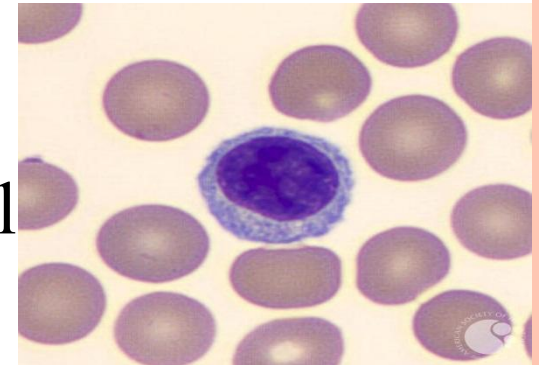
Basophil



# Agranulocytes (Lymphocytes)

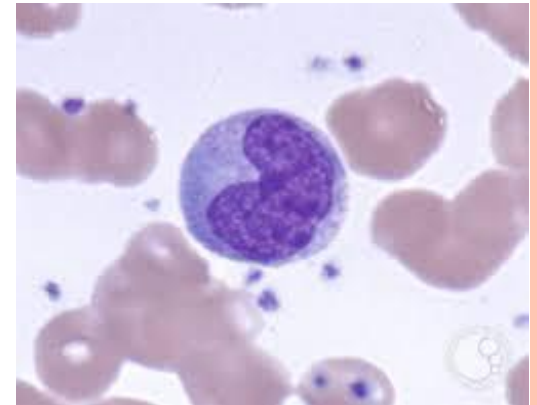
- ❑ Cell diameter: small 7-9 /large 12-16  $\mu$ m
- ❑ Nucleus: large, round to indented fills
- ❑ Cytoplasm: pale blue, no granules.
- ❑ Normal %: 20-40.
- ❑ Absolute count per  $\mu$ l : 1500-4000.
- ❑ T cells: (attack viruses and cancer cells)
- ❑ B cells: (produce antibodies)

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# Monocytes

- ❑ Cell diameter: 12-20  $\mu\text{m}$ .
- ❑ Nucleus: large and curved, like kidney shape.
- ❑ Cytoplasm: large amount of pale bluish-grey, no granules seen.
- ❑ Normal %: 1-10.
- ❑ Absolute count per  $\mu\text{l}$  : 200-800.
- ❑ Function: important in the inflammatory response.



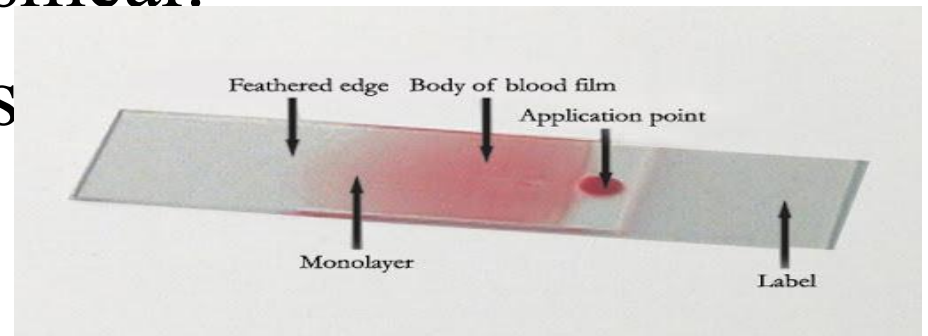


## Methods of measurement

- Automated hematology autoanalyzer... as part of CBC (however not totally accurate need microscopic assessment).
- Manual method during examination of blood film .



- **Blood smear:** is a blood test that gives information about the number and shape of blood cells.
- **Three basic steps to make the blood film:**
  - 1-Preparation of blood smear.
  - 2- Fixation of blood smear.
  - 3- Staining of blood s



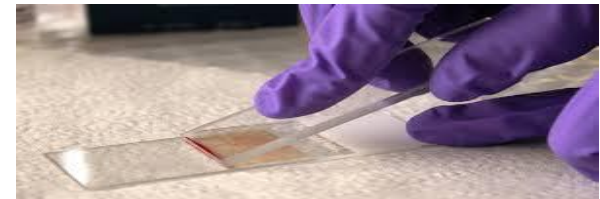
# Materials required

- 1- Capillary blood
- 2- Glass slide
- 3- Microscope
- 4- Alcohol
- 5- Lancet
- 6- Leishman's stain



# Procedure of blood film

- 1- Place a drop of blood 1 cm from one end of slide.
- 2- Place the smooth clean edge of a second (spreader) slide on the specimen slide, just in front of the blood drop.
- 3- Hold the spreader slide at a 30°- 45 angle, and draw it back against the drop of blood

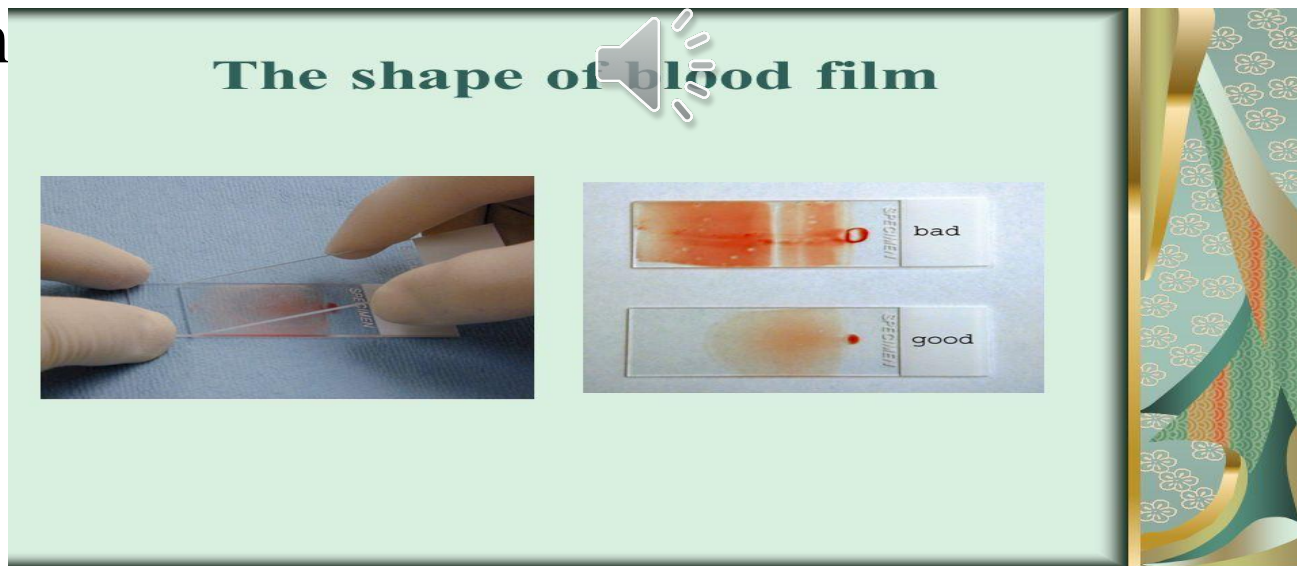


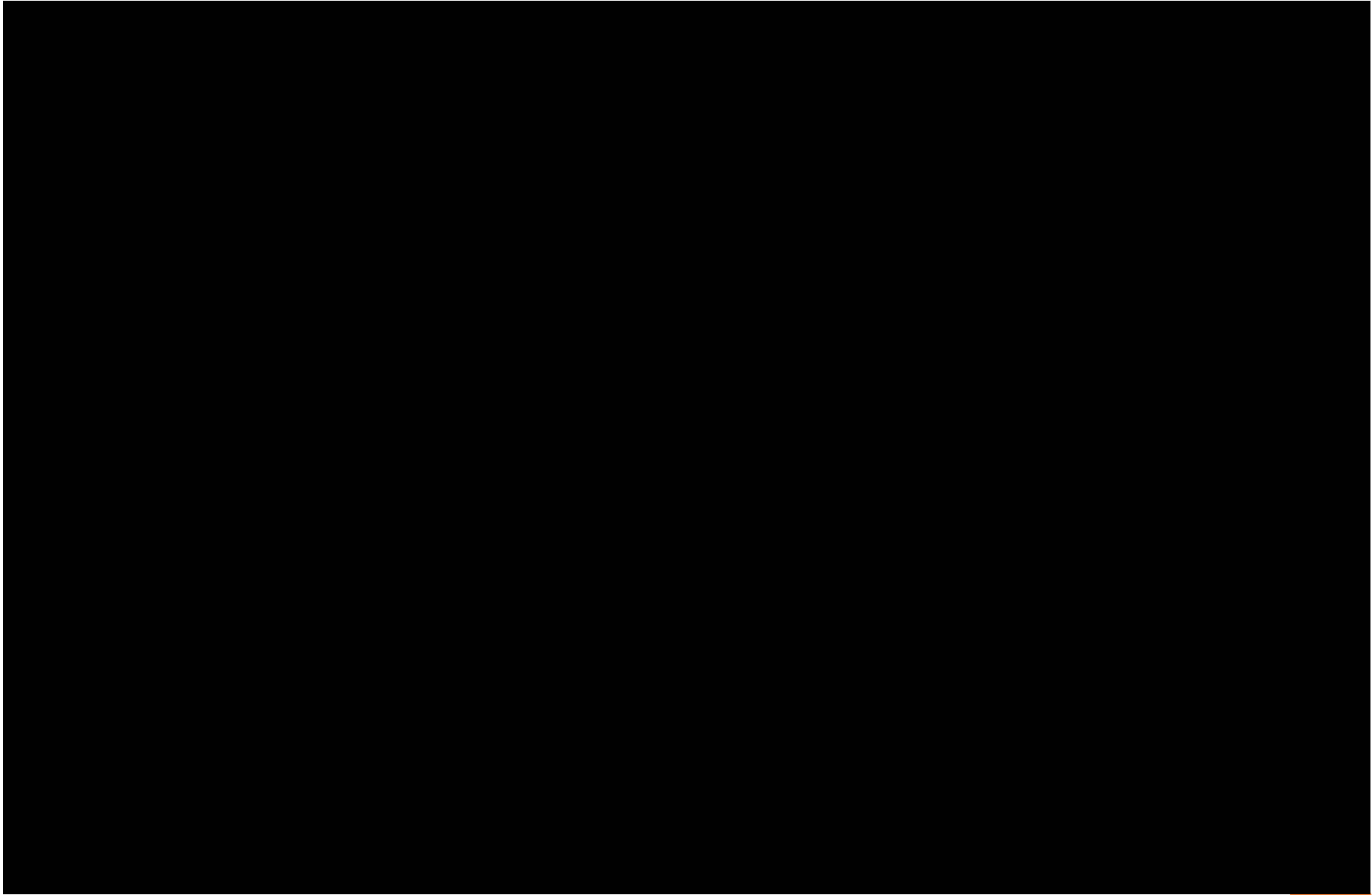
4- Allow the blood to spread almost to the edges of the slide

5- Push the spread forward with smooth speed.

6- Label one edge with patient ID.

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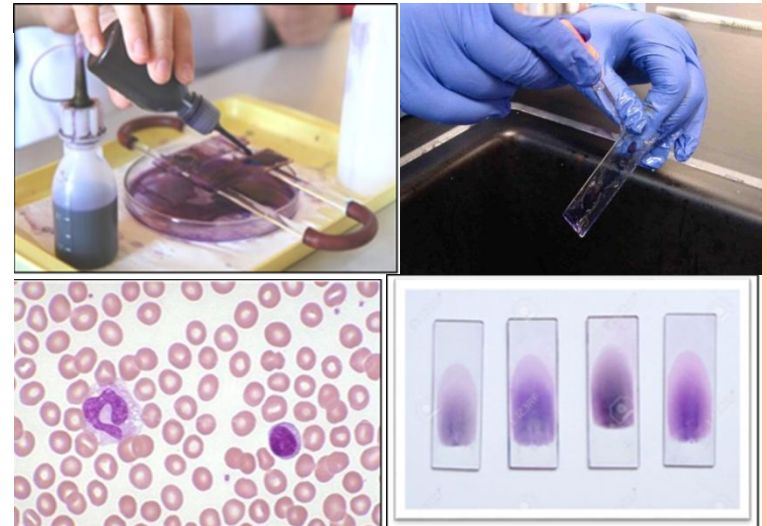


# Staining the slide with Leishman stain

- 1- Cover the slide with concentrated Leishman stain for about 2-3 min.
- 2- Diluted the slide with DW for 5 min.  
Wash with tap water.
- 3- Leave to dry.



Wash



1

Cover the smear with Wright's stain



Unstained smear

2-3 mins

2

Dilute with equal volume of buffered water



5 mins

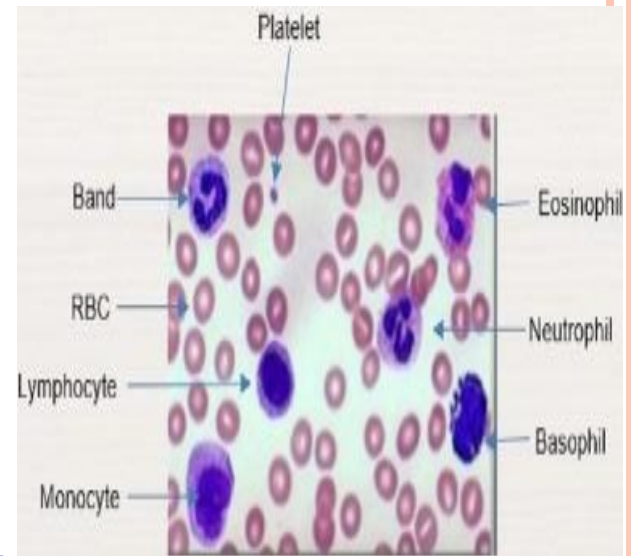


Stained smear



## □ Examination of the stained blood film:

- 1- Place the slide on the microscope stage.
- 2- Examine the blood film using the low power **x10**, to find optimal area for examination and enumeration of cells.
- 3- Then using power **x40** to determine the morphology of white cells.
- 4- Place a drop of immersion oil on the



### **Clinical applications**

differential count.

- Use to investigate patient with infection, hematological malignancy.



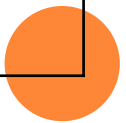


## Normal adult differential WBC counts are:

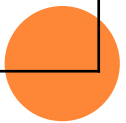
Percentage	Types
% 40-80	Neutrophils
% 20-40	Lymphocytes
1-10%	Monocytes
1-5%	Eosinophil's
% 0-1	Basophils



↓ Decrease	↑ Increase	WBCs type
<b>Neutropenia</b>	<b>Neutrophilia</b>	<b>Neutrophils</b>
Viral infection Radiation therapy	Acute infection Physical or emotion stress Trauma Metabolic disorder (Uremia)	
<b>Eosinopenia</b>	<b>Eosinophilia</b>	<b>Eosinophils</b>
Administration of ACTH and glucocorticoid	Allergic conditions Parasitic infection	
<b>Basopenia</b>	<b>Basophilia</b>	<b>Basophils</b>
Hyperthyroidism drug (steroid)	Allergic disease Leukemia Polycythemia vera	



<b>Monocytopenia</b>	<b>Monocytosis</b>	<b>Monocytes</b>
Bone marrow failure Aplastic anemia	Acute tuberculosis infection Malaria	
<b>Lymphocytopenia</b>	<b>Lymphocytosis</b>	<b>Lymphocytes</b>
Steroid therapy Immunodeficiency Late stage of HIV infection	Chronic bacterial infection (typhoid, tuberculosis, brucellosis) Viral infection Lymphocytic leukemia	



Thank you

