### final-Term Assignment (summer-20)

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Q1. Define Autoimmune disorders with examples?

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# Q1. Define Autoimmune disorders with examples?

Ans. An autoimmune disorder occurs when the body's immune system attacks and destroys healthy body tissue by mistake. There are more than 80 types of autoimmune disorders.

Some common diseases that are generally considered autoimmune include celiac disease, diabetes mellitus type 1, Graves' disease, inflammatory bowel disease, multiple sclerosis, psoriasis, rheumatoid arthritis, and systemic lupus erythematosus.

**Examples** of **autoimmune diseases** include systemic lupus erythematosus, Sjogren syndrome, Hashimoto thyroiditis, rheumatoid arthritis, juvenile (type 1) diabetes, polymyositis, scleroderma, Addison **disease**, vitiligo, pernicious anemia, glomerulonephritis, and pulmonary fibrosis.

# Q2. Draw Classic pathway of Complement system in detail?

#### Ans.

Complement Activation Classical Pathway Steps

The classical pathway is initiated by IgM or IgG antigen/antibody complexes binding to **C1q** (first protein of the cascade) leading to activation of C1r, which in turn cleaves C1s. There are **three pathways** of **complement** activation: the classical **pathway**, which is triggered directly by pathogen or indirectly by antibody binding to the pathogen surface; the MB-lectin **pathway**; and the alternative **pathway**, which also provides an amplification loop for the other two **pathways**. The **complement** system, also known as **complement** cascade, is a part of the immune system that enhances (**complements**) the ability of antibodies and phagocytic cells to clear microbes and damaged cells from an organism, promote inflammation, and attack the pathogen's cell membrane.

## Q3.Describe type I and type II Hypersensitivity?

Ans. Type I hypersensitivity reactions involve lymphoid tissue associated with mucosal surfaces (skin, intestines, and lungs) and result from the interaction of antigen and immunoglobulin E in mast cells or basophils. Ferrets with mild reactions may exhibit pruritus and skin erythema.

**Type II hypersensitivity** is an antibody-dependent process in which specific antibodies bind to antigens, resulting in tissue damage or destruction.

## Q4.What is Major histocompatibility complex?

Ans. The major histocompatibility complex (MHC) is a coding region for surface proteins, such as HLA's essential for the acquired immune system to recognize foreign molecules in vertebrates, which in turn determines histocompatibility.

The **function** of **MHC** molecules is to bind peptide fragments derived from pathogens and display them on the cell surface for recognition by the appropriate T cells.

# Q5. Explain Complement system , and its function ?

Ans. The complement system has four major function, including lysis of infectious organisms, activation of **inflammation**, opsonization and immune clearance. There are three different complement pathways, the classical complement pathway, the alternative complement pathway, and the mannose-binding lectin pathway.

**Complement** can be activated via three different pathways (Figure 1), which can each cause the **activation** of C3, cleaving it into a large fragment, C3b, that acts as an opsonin, and a small fragment C3a (anaphylatoxin) that promotes inflammation.

At the **basic** level the **broad functions of the complement system** can be split into **three** areas: (1) the activation of inflammation; (2) the opsonization (labeling) of pathogens and cells for clearance/destruction; (3) the direct killing of target cell /microbes by lysis.