

# *Reaction of Body to Injury*

*Surgery*  
*Stage: 2*

# Learning Objectives

To understand

- 1- concept of homeostasis.
- 2- Definition of response to injury or trauma.
- 3- Phases of the response.
- 4- Metabolic component of the response.
- 5- Mediators of the response.
- 6- Concept of systemic inflammatory response syndrome (SIRS).

# Homeostasis

A coordinated physiological process that maintain a balanced constant conditions in the internal environment .It is the foundation of normal physiology.

## Examples:

Maintaining temperature, oxygen, water and electrolytes and blood pressure.



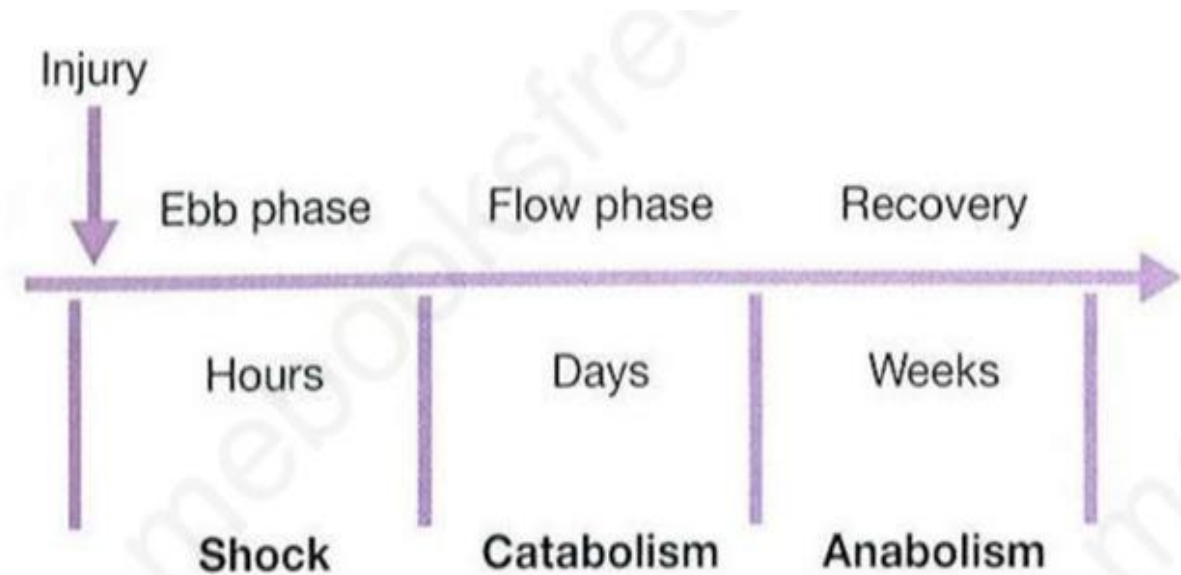
# Metabolic response(reaction of body)to injury

Is activation of groups of metabolic, hormonal and immunological changes following injury to restore homeostasis.

## Phases of the response:

1-Ebb phase.

2-Flow phase.



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## Phases of the response

### Ebb phase

Characterized by:

- 1-Occurs during the first few hours after injury.
- 2-Patients were cold and hypotensive.

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## Phases of the response

### Flow phase

If the patients survive the Ebb phase, they entered the Flow phase.

It is divided into:

1-Catabolic Flow phase.

2-Anabolic Flow phase.

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## Phases of the response

### Catabolic Flow phase

Characterized by:

- 1-The initial flow phase.
- 2- It lasts about a week.
- 3-High metabolic rate.
- 4-Break down of protein and fat stores.
- 5-Weight loss.

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## Phases of the response

### Anabolic Flow phase

Characterized by:

- 1-The late flow phase.
- 2-follow the catabolic phase.
- 3-Last from two to several weeks.
- 4-Protein and fat stores are restored.
- 5-Weight gain.



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## Components of the response

### Metabolic changes

- 1-Hypermetabolism..
- 2-Enhanced protein breakdown.
- 3-Increased fat oxidation.

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## Mediators of Metabolic Response

1-Neuro-endocrine system ( hormonal ).

2-Immunological system.

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## Mediators of Metabolic Response

### Neuro-endocrine response

characterized by

Actively secreting pituitary and elevated counter regulating hormones which are **cortisol**, **glucagon**, and **adrenalin** with decrease in the **level of insulin**

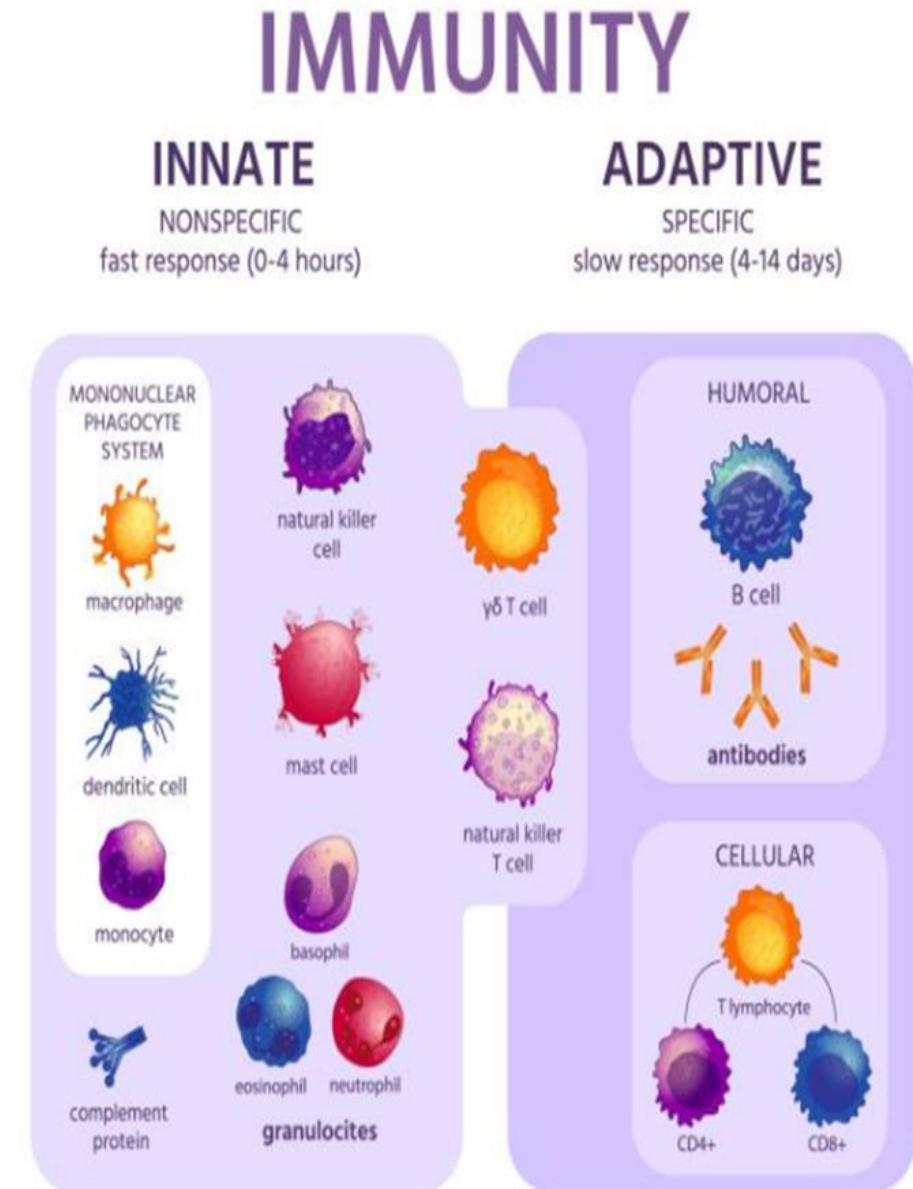
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## Mediators of Metabolic Response

### 2.Immunological response

Is an interaction between:

- 1-Innet immune response(macrophage).
- 2-Adaptive immune response (B and T cells)
- 3-Cytokines release.



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## Mediators of Metabolic Response

### Immunological response

### Systemic inflammatory response syndrome (SIRS):

Is an inflammatory reaction affecting the whole body and is an exaggerated defense response to harmful stimuli.

Is due to overstimulation of the inflammatory response.

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## Mediators of Metabolic Response

### Immunological response

### Systemic inflammatory response syndrome (SIRS):

A combination of two or more of the followings:

- 1-Body temperature  $>38\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  or  $<36\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ .
- 2-Pulse rate  $>90$  beats/min.
- 3-Respiratory rate  $>20$  breaths/min. or  $\text{Pco}_2 <32\text{ mm.Hg}$ .
- 4-WBC count  $< 4000\text{ mm}^3$  or  $>12000/\text{mm}^3$ .

Sepsis : SIRS with presence of source of infection.

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## Criteria (Characteristics)

The response is proportional to the severity of injury (the more severe the injury; the greater the response in metabolic and immunological changes).