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• **Terminating the Inflammatory Reaction:**(R4+R5)

The inflammatory response is terminated through seven key mechanisms:

1. Mediators are produced rapid burst , activating one another.
2. The response depend on the stimulus.
3. Mediators have short half-lives.
4. Enzymes degrade mediators post-release.
5. Neutrophils have a short half lives
6. Releasing (TGF,IL10) stop signaling (inhibit earlier mediators)
7. Releasing Cholinergic neural inhibitors that inhibit TNF production.

• **Mediators** are derived from cells, can be stored in granules and secreted or synthesized when the offending agent is detected. They are **four main types**:

1. **Vasoactive Amines:** Histamine and serotonin.
2. **Lipid Products: Prostaglandins and leukotrienes**, → (phospholipase(which inhibited by steroids)) metabolize the cell membrane producing arachidonic acid. The pathways include:
 - **Lipoxygenase Pathway:** Produces leukotrienes (e.g., leukotriene B₄, a potent chemoattractant).
 - **Cyclooxygenase Pathway:** Produces prostaglandins (e.g., PGE₂ causes pain and fever, PGI₂ promotes vasodilation and inhibits platelet aggregation, TXA₂ promotes vasoconstriction and platelet aggregation so PGI₂ and TXA₂ imbalance leads to (IHD,CVA)diseases and PG(C₄,D₄,E₄) promotes smooth muscle contraction.
3. **Cytokines:** (TNF,IL,Chemokines) Proteins that regulate the inflammatory response and can have local or systemic effects, including protective (e.g., in the brain and liver)(its effects help in inflamation detection)and pathological (e.g., heart failure and thrombosis).

Chemokines:(chemoattractants) its function is :1.inf.rxn 2. Conserve the tissue architicsture

Its mechanism by G-protien coupled receptor

4. **Complement System:** inactive innate immune plasma proteins (C1 to C9) with C3 as the central activator (fix the comp.system). Functions include:

- Increasing vascular permeability in early inflamation by C5a (anaphylatoxin)
- Promoting chemotaxis by C5a,C3a • Opsonization (coating microbes) by C3b

(the activasion of the C5,6,7,8,9 cascade activate MAC which pierce the microbial membrane

Regulatory proteins of the complement system include:

- C1 Inhibitor: Deficiency can lead to hereditary angioedema.
- DAF and Factor H: Inhibit C3 convertase; deficiencies lead to hemolytic uremic syndrome.
- CD59: Inhibits the membrane attack complex MAC; its deficiency can cause (PNH).

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| Mediator | Source | Action |
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| Histamine | Mast cells, basophils, platelets | Vasodilation, increased vascular permeability, endothelial activation |
| Prostaglandins | Mast cells, leukocytes | Vasodilation, pain, fever |
| Leukotrienes | Mast cells, leukocytes | Increased vascular permeability, chemotaxis, leukocyte adhesion, and activation |
| Cytokines (e.g., TNF, IL-1, IL-6) | Macrophages, endothelial cells, mast cells | Local: endothelial activation (expression of adhesion molecules). Systemic: fever, metabolic abnormalities, hypotension (shock) |
| Chemokines | Leukocytes, activated macrophages | Chemotaxis, leukocyte activation |
| Platelet-activating factor | Leukocytes, mast cells | Vasodilation, increased vascular permeability, leukocyte adhesion, chemotaxis, degranulation, oxidative burst |
| Complement | Plasma (produced in liver) | Leukocyte chemotaxis and activation, direct target killing (membrane attack complex), vasodilation (mast cell stimulation) |
| Kinins | Plasma (produced in liver) | Increased vascular permeability, smooth muscle contraction, vasodilation, pain |