Unit 19: Reactive Lymphocytosis and Infectious Mononucleosis

Learning Objectives

At the end of this unit, the student should be able to:

1. Define lymphocytosis.

2. Differentiate between reactive lymphocytes and malignant lymphocytes.

3. Name and describe the normal granule found in lymphocytes.

4. Distinguish between absolute and relative lymphocytosis.

5. List 3 causes of reactive lymphocytosis.

6. Describe distinguishing characteristics of reactive lymphocytes and plasma cells.

7. Distinguish between lymphocytes and monocytes.

8. Name the virus that causes infectious mononucleosis (IM).

9. Describe the lymphocyte associated with IM.

10. Characterize the typical age and symptoms of a patient with IM.