Topics for the examination - Immunology in Dentistry (third year 2017/2018)

- 1. Antigen. The basis of antigenicity and immunogenity. Epitope, Hapten. Cross reactivity of antigens. Antigens of medical importance: Antigens of microorganisms. Allergens. Auto-, allo-, and xeno- antigens. Protective and non-protective antigens.
- 2. Phagocytosis. Cells involved in the process of phagocytosis. Stages of phagocytic process.
- 3. The complement system. Classic and alternative pathways of activation of the complement system. Complement inhibitors. Clinical significance of the complement system.
- 4. Inflammation. Initiation, regulation, consequences for the organism. Treatment of inflammation.
- 5. NK cells, Interferons
- 6. Interleukins and other cytokines. Cytokine and anti-cytokine treatment.
- 7. HLA system, structure, genetic aspects, clinical significance. The role of the HLA system in immune reactions.
- 8. Cells involved in the immune response.
- 9. Primary and secondary organs of the immune system.
- 10. Clonal selection theory. Rearrangement of immunoglobulin genes. Somatic hypermutation of immunoglobulin genes.
- 11. B-lymphocytes, development of B-cells, production of antibodies, isotype switching.
- 12. T-lymphocytes, Th-cell subsests, their effector function, Regulatory T-cells
- 13. CD8+ cells, effector function
- 14. Antigen-presenting cells, antigen presentation
- 15. Immunoglobulins, structure, function. Classes of immunoglobulins. Reaction between antigen and antibody.
- 16. Reaction of antigen and antibody in vivo. Consequences of this reaction in.vivo.
- 17. Regulation of the immune system. Th, Treg cells, check-points of the immune response, clinical implication.
- 18. Immunity to viruses. Mechanisms of the host defence. Immunopathological consequences of the reactions against invading organism.
- 19. Immunity to bacteria. Mechanisms of the host defence. Immunopathological consequences of the reactions against invading organism.
- 20. Mucosal immunity.
- 21. Vaccines, vaccination.

- 22. Primary defects of antibody production. Deficiencies of the complement and phagocytic system. Hereditary angioedema. DiGeorge syndrome. Clinical manifestation, diagnosis, treatment.
- 23. Non-AIDS secondary immune deficiencies.
- 24. HIV-disease, pathogenesis, diagnostic approach, clinical manifestion
- 25. Passive immunisation. Specific immunoglobulins and antisera. Non-specific immunoglobulin derivates and their clinical use.
- 26. Atopy. The role of IgE. Mediators of the allergic reaction. Early and late phase of type-I immunopathological reaction. Allergens.
- 27. Diagnosis and therapy of atopic diseases.
- 28. Type-III hypersensitivity, Immunocomplex diseases
- 29. Type-IV hypersensitivity, its role in pathogensis of diseases Tuberculin test.
- 30. Immune tolerance. Autoimmune reactions: mechanisms of triggering the autoimmune reaction. Genetic and environmental influences.
- 31. Autoimmune diseases Laboratory tests for the detection of autoantibodies. Clinically important autoantibodies.
- 32. Transplantation immunology. Organ transplantation. Bone marrow transplantation.
- 33. Immunological aspects of blood transfusion. Polysaccharide and protein blood group antigens. Adverse reactions to transfusion.
- 34. Immune system and tumours, mutual relations. Tumour antigens. Protective mechanism against tumours. Immunotherapy in oncology. Immunological diagnosis in oncology.
- 35. Manipulation with the immune system immunopotentiation, immunosuppressive agents.
- 36. Monoclonal antibodies. Production, properties, therapeutic and diagnostic use.