

# The Macrophage

**The Macrophage** - Macrophages (Greek: big eaters, from Greek μακρός (makrós) = large, φαγεῖν (phageín) = to eat) are a type of white blood cell, of the immune system ...macrophage [mak'ro-f?j] any of the large, mononuclear, highly phagocytic cells derived from monocytes, occurring in the walls of blood vessels (adventitial cells ...Macrophages are important cells of the immune system that are formed in response to an infection or accumulating damaged or dead cells. Macrophages are large ...Other articles where Macrophage is discussed: blood: Destruction of red blood cells: These cells, called macrophages, are constituents of the reticuloendothelial ...