

STORAGE FUNCTION

- Water and some important substances like proteins, glucose, sodium and potassium are constantly required by the tissues.
- Blood serves as a readymade source for these substances.

DEFENSIVE FUNCTION

- Blood plays an important role in the defense of the body.
- The white blood cells are responsible for this function.
- Neutrophils and monocytes engulf the bacteria by phagocytosis.
- Lymphocytes are involved in development of immunity.
- Eosinophils are responsible for detoxification, disintegration and removal of foreign substances.