

Passive Immunity

The immunity that non-immune individual acquires by receiving antibodies or sensitized white blood cells from another immune individual is known as passive immunity. The immunity caused by passive immunization is less effective and inferior than that caused by active immunization. The main advantage of this is that it is immediate in its action.

The immunity transferred from the mother to the child passively is known as natural passive immunity.

Transfer of immunity from an immunized donor to a non-immune recipient by transferring antibodies is known as artificial passive immunity.

e.g snake bite.