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# ACUTE RENAL FAILURE

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# Acute Renal Failure - Definitions

- *Renal failure* is defined as the cessation of kidney function with or without changes in urine volume
- *Anuria* – UOP < 0.5 cc/kg/hour
- *Oliguria* – UOP “more than 1 cc/kg/hour”

# Acute Renal Failure - Definitions

- 70% Non-oliguric , 30% Oliguric
- Non-oliguric associated with better prognosis and outcome
- “Overall, the critical issue is maintenance of adequate urine output and prevention of further renal injury.”

# pathophysiology

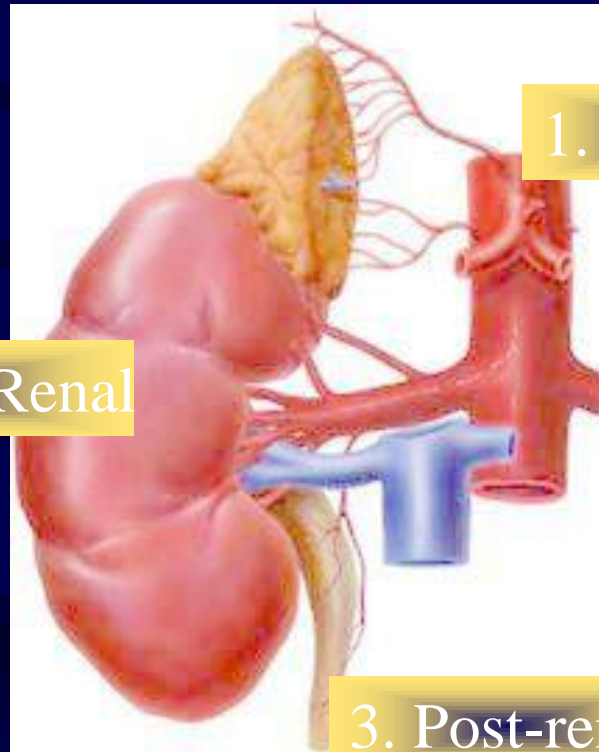
1. Pre renal: in which decrease renal perfusion
2. Renal : in which there is renal paranchymal injury
3. Post renal : in which there is obstruction of renal outflow

# Outcome

- 3 phases of ARF:
  - ✓ Oliguric.
  - ✓ Diuretic.
  - ✓ Recovery.
- The overall survival rate is 70%.

# The ARF Paradigm

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1. Pre-renal

2. Intrinsic Renal

3. Post-renal

# Prerenal Disease

- True volume depletion
- Advanced liver disease
- Congestive heart failure
- Renal arterial disease
- Perinatal or Neonatal hemorrhage
- Perinatal asphyxia and hyaline membrane disease
- Gastroenteritis
- Congenital and acquired heart diseases



# Prerenal Disease

- A reduction in renal blood flow - the most common cause of acute renal failure.
- Occur from true volume depletion or from selective renal ischemia (as in bilateral renal artery stenosis).
- Causes of prerenal azotemia: true volume depletion, advanced liver disease, and congestive heart failure.

# Prerenal ARF of Newborns and Infants

The most common cause of ARF is prerenal etiologies.

Prerenal ARF:

- **Perinatal hemorrhage** - Twin-twin transfusion, complications of amniocentesis, abruptio placenta, birth trauma
- **Neonatal hemorrhage** - Severe intraventricular hemorrhage, adrenal

# Prerenal ARF of Newborns and Infants

- Perinatal asphyxia and hyaline membrane disease (newborn respiratory distress syndrome) both may result in preferential blood shunting away from kidneys (ie, prerenal) to central circulation.

# Prerenal ARF of Children

The most common cause of ARF is prerenal etiologies.

Prerenal ARF:

- The most common cause of hypovolemia in children is **gastroenteritis**.
- **Congenital and acquired heart diseases** are also important causes of decreased renal perfusion in this age group.

# Symptoms and Signs of Prerenal Failure

- Patients commonly present with symptoms related to **hypovolemia**, including **thirst, decreased urine output, dizziness, and orthostatic hypotension**.
- Look for a history of **excessive fluid loss via hemorrhage, GI losses, sweating, or renal sources**.

# Intrinsic Renal Failure

- Tubular diseases**
- Interstitial diseases**
- Glomerular diseases**
- Vascula diseases**
- Nephrotoxins**
- Allergic interstitial nephritis**

# Intrinsic Renal Failure

- **Glomerular diseases:** Nephritic syndrome of hematuria, edema, and HTN is synonymous with a glomerular etiology of ARF

# Intrinsic Renal Failure

- **Tubular diseases:** ATN should be suspected in any patient presenting after a period of **hypotension secondary to cardiac arrest, hemorrhage, sepsis, drug overdose, or surgery.**



# Intrinsic Renal Failure

- **Interstitial diseases** - Acute interstitial nephritis, drug reactions, autoimmune diseases (eg, systemic lupus erythematosus [SLE]), infiltrative disease (sarcoidosis, lymphoma), infectious agents (Legionnaire disease, hantavirus)
- **Vascular diseases** - Hypertensive crisis, polyarteritis nodosa, vasculitis

# Intrinsic Renal Failure

- **Allergic interstitial nephritis** should be suspected with recent drug ingestion, fevers, rash, and arthralgias.

# Acute Tubular Necrosis

Renal insults, including

- renal ischemia
- exposure to exogenous or endogenous nephrotoxins.

The net effect is a rapid decline in renal function that may require a period of dialysis before spontaneous resolution occurs.

# Major Causes of Acute Tubular Necrosis

- ***Renal Ischemia:***

- \* Severe prerenal disease from any cause.

- ***Exposure to Nephrotoxins:***

- \* Amphotericin B

- \* Aminoglycosides \* Heme Pigments \*  
NSAID's (hemoglobinuria/myoglobinuria)

# Intrinsic ARF of Children

- Hemolytic uremic syndrome (HUS) often is cited as the most common cause of ARF in children. The most common form of the disease is associated with a diarrheal prodrome caused by *Escherichia coli* 0157:H7.
- These children usually present with microangiopathic anemia, thrombocytopenia, colitis, mental status changes, and renal failure.

# Acute Glomerulonephritis

- Rare in the hospitalized patient
- Most common types: acute post-infectious GN, “crescentic” RPGN
- Diagnose by history, hematuria, RBC casts, proteinuria (usually non-nephrotic range), low serum complement in post-infectious GN
- Usually will need to perform renal biopsy

# Acute Glomerulonephritis (2)

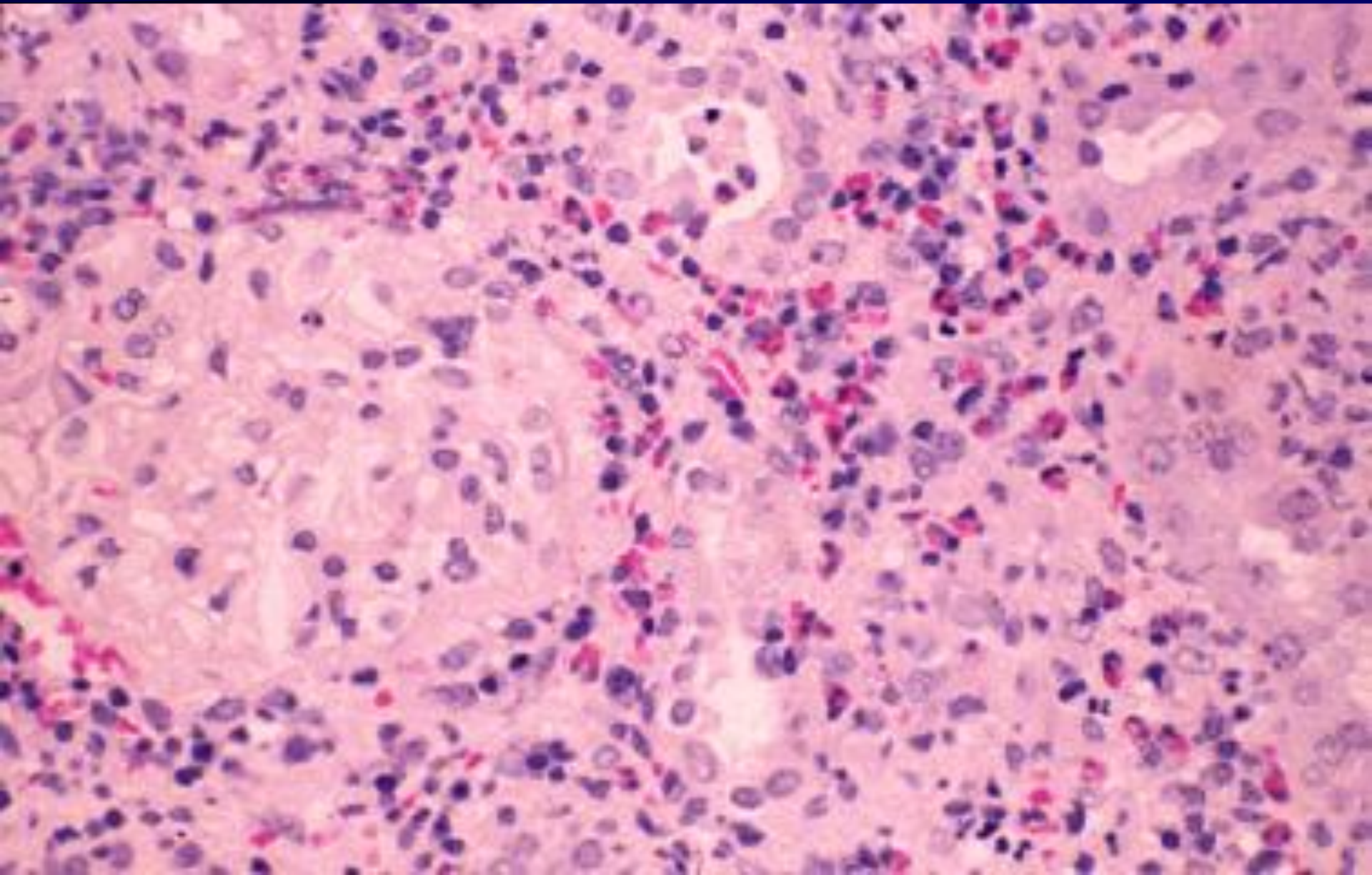
- If diagnosis is post-infectious, disease is usually self-limited, and supportive care is usually all that is necessary.
- For RPGN, may need immunosuppressive therapy with steroids  $\pm$  Cytoxan, plasmapheresis (if assoc. with anti-GBM)

# Acute Interstitial Nephritis

- Usually drug induced
  - methicillin, rifampin, NSAIDS
- Develops 3-7 days after exposure
- Fever, Rash , and eosinophilia common
- U/A reveals WBC, WBC casts, + Hansel stain
- Often resolves spontaneously
- Steroids may be beneficial ( if Scr>2.5 mg/dl)



# AIN



# Selective Renal Ischemia

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- ◆ **Hepatorenal syndrome**
- ◆ **Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs**
- ◆ **Bilateral renal artery stenosis**
  - **Can be exacerbated by ACE inhibitors**

# **Aminoglycoside toxicity**

**Cause of ARF in 5 - 25% of hospitalized patients**

## **Aminoglycosides**

- Not metabolized but excreted primarily by glomerular filtration**
- Taken up by proximal tubules by a high capacity transport system**
- High levels in the proximal tubule results in tubular cell necrosis**

**Nephrotoxicity usually produces a nonoliguric ARF**

- Increase in serum creatinine levels not seen until after 8 to 10 days of aminoglycoside therapy**

# Rhabdomyolytic ARF

- Diagnose with ↑ serum CPK (usu. > 10,000), urine dipstick (+) for blood, without RBCs on microscopy, pigmented granular casts
- Common after trauma (“crush injuries”), seizures, burns,
- Treatment is largely supportive care.
- Alkalinization of urine .

# Acute Renal Failure

## Etiologies

- Post-Renal

- Bladder outlet obstruction

- Posterior urethral valve

- stricture

- Ureteral stone

- Tumor

- DM with pyelonephritis

- Sickle cell disease

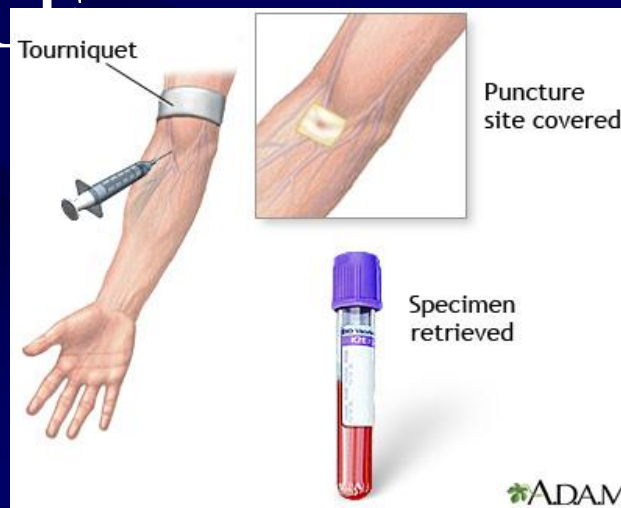
# Clinical Manifestations

- ❖ Anuria
- ❖ Oliguria
- ✓ Vomiting
- ✓ Diarrhea
- ✓ Fever
- ❖ Sign of Collapse
- ✓ Sunken Fontanel
- ✓ Dry Tongue & Mucous Membranes
- ✓ Loss of skin turgor
- ✓ Irritability
- ✓ Feeble Pulses
- ❖ Throat or Skin Infection
- ❖ Rash
- ❖ Hx of Nephrotoxic Agents
- ❖ Frank Anuria
- ❖ Sign of uremia
- ✓ Anorexia
- ✓ Vomiting
- ✓ Nausea
- ✓ Lethargic
- ✓ Hypertension
- ✓ Uremic Encephalopathy
- ✓ Seizures

# Investigations

## ❖ Blood Counts:

- ✓ Low Hb---blood loss
- ✓ Leukocytosis---infection
- ✓ Platelet Counts---low in HUS, Renal Vein Thrombosis or SLE



# Investigations

## ❖ Blood Urea & Creatinine:

Raised due to diminished renal function

## ❖ Serum Calcium, Phosphate, Alkaline Phosphates:

✓ S.Ca low

✓ S.Phosphate raised

✓ Al.po4 normal



# Investigations

## ❖ Serum Electrolytes & Osmolality:

✓ Na low & K high

✓ Ratio of urine  
Osmolality to Plasma  
Osmolality---

> 1.1:1.0 show pre-  
renal

< 1.1:1.0 show  
Intrinsic renal

# Investigations

## ❖ Urine Examination:

✓ Urine Na--  $> 20$  mEq/l

show intrinsic renal

$< 10$

mEq/l show pre-renal

✓ Urine Microscopy---

Pus, RBC's, White Cell

Casts



# Investigations

## ❖ C3 Complement Level:

✓ Low in AGN, SLE Nephritis

## ❖ Plain X-ray abdomen:



# Investigations

## ❖ X-ray Chest



## ❖ Abdominal USG:



# Investigations

## ❖ Renal Biopsy



- ▶ Unexplained acute renal failure
- ▶ Acute nephritic syndromes;
- ▶ Unexplained proteinuria and hematuria
- ▶ Systemic diseases associated with kidney dysfunction, such as systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), Goodpasture's syndrome, and Wegener's granulomatosis, to confirm the extent of renal involvement and to guide management
- ▶ Suspected transplant rejection, to differentiate it from other causes of acute renal failure

# Urine output

Anuria ( $<100$ mL/d)	Urinary tract obstruction, renal artery obstruction, rapidly progressive glomerulonephritis, bilateral diffuse renal cortical necrosis
Oliguria	(100-400 mL/d) Prerenal failure, hepatorenal syndrome
Non-oliguria	( $>400$ mL/d) Acute interstitial nephritis, acute glomerulonephritis, partial obstructive nephropathy, nephrotoxic and ischemic ATN, radiocontrast-induced ARF, and rhabdomyolysis

# Urinalysis

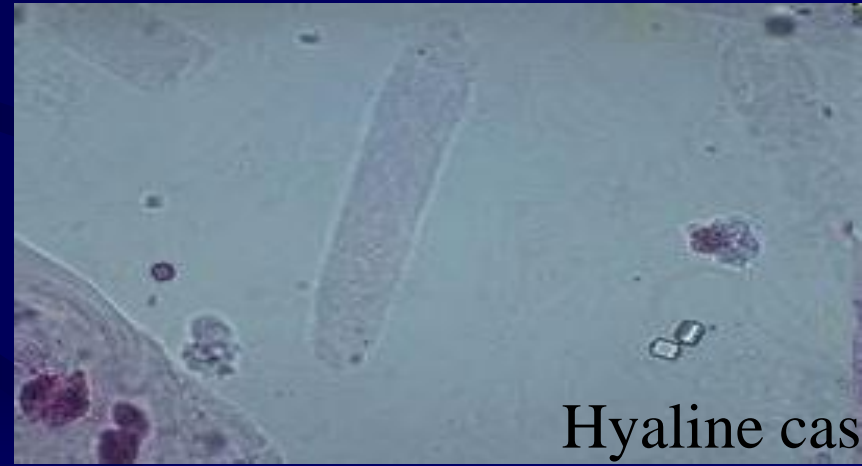
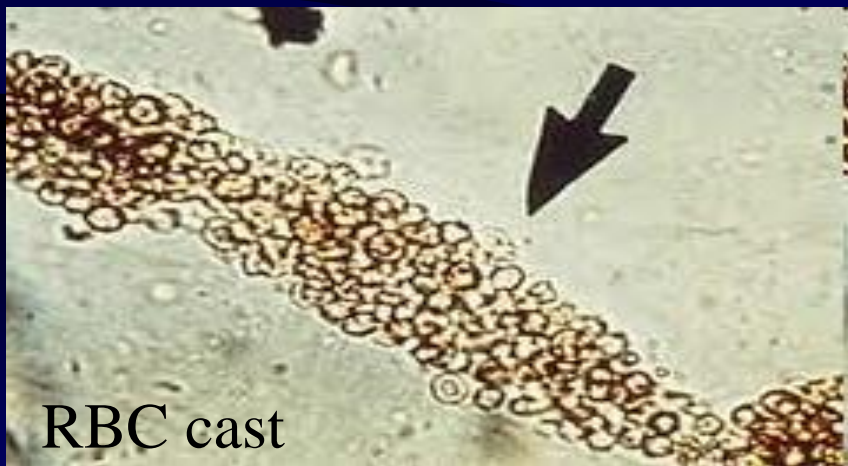
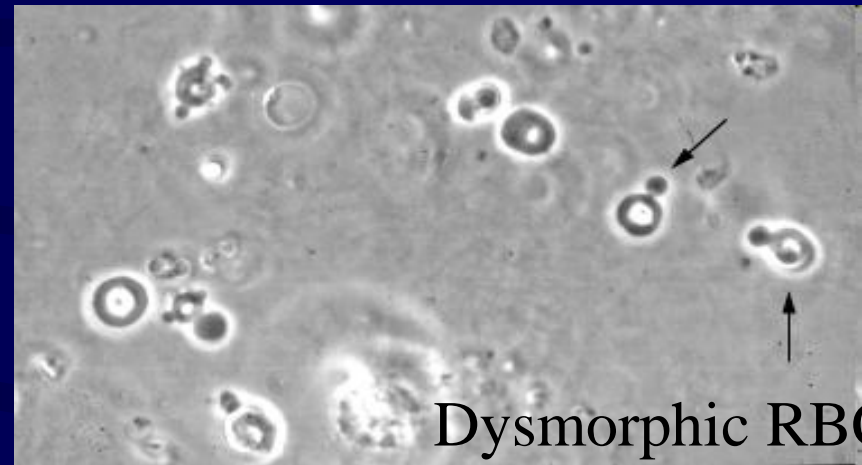
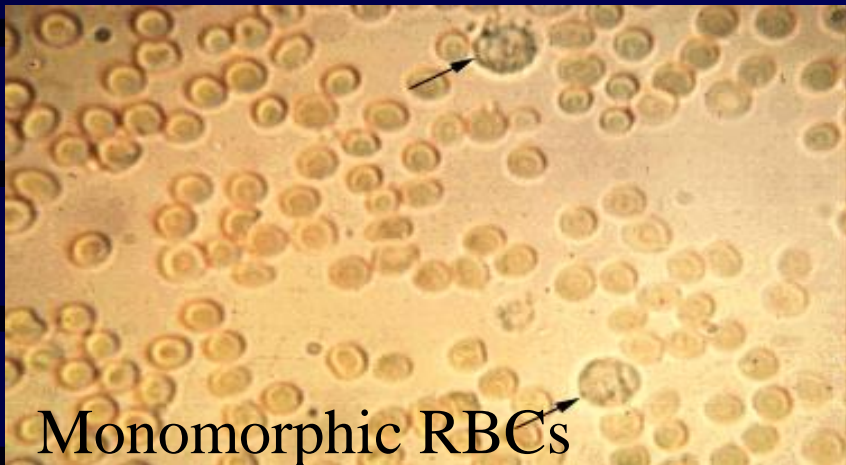
Granular casts	ATN, glomerulonephritis, interstitial nephritis
RBC casts	Glomerulonephritis, malignant HTN
WBC casts	Acute interstitial nephritis, pyelonephritis

# Urinalysis

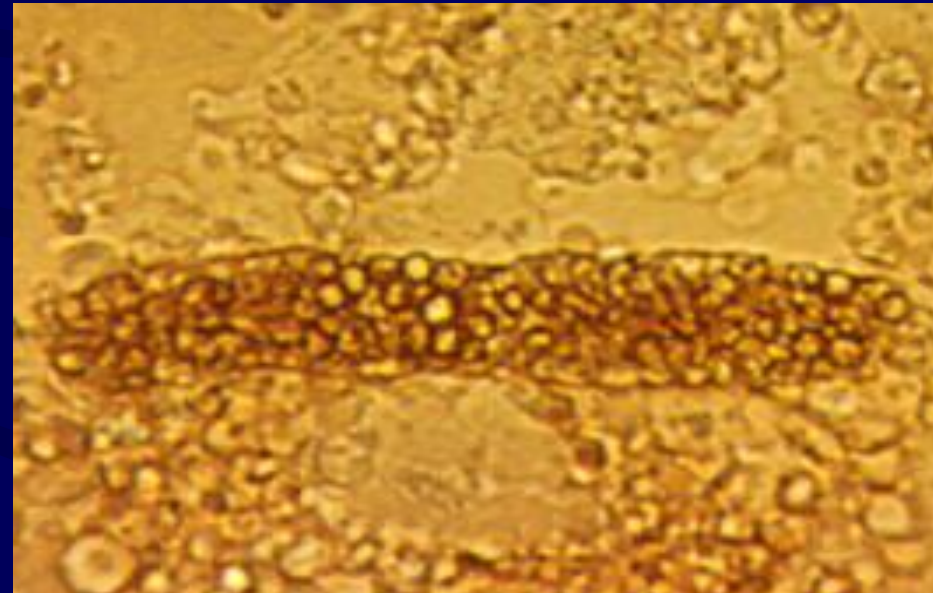
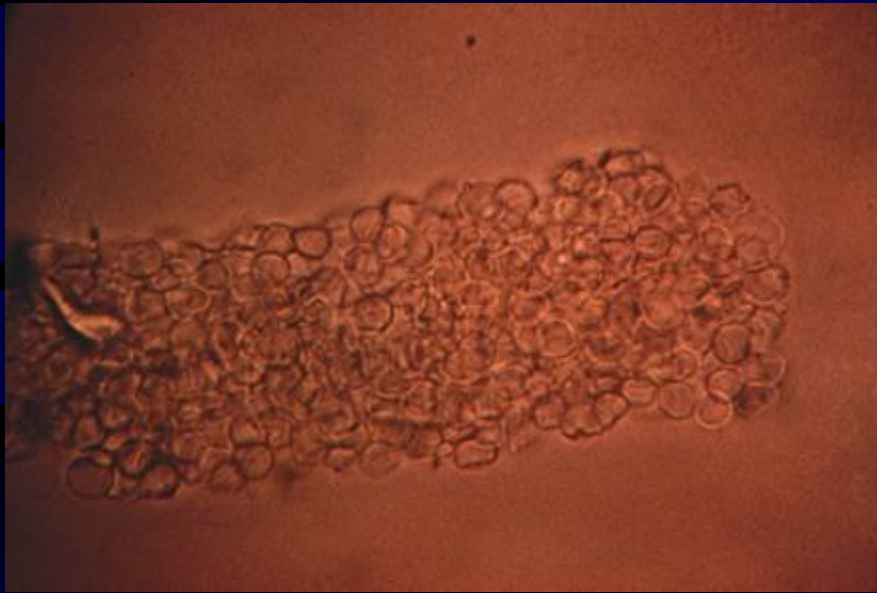
Eosino- philuria	Acute allergic interstitial nephritis, atheroembolism
Crystall- uria	Acyclovir, sulfonamides, methotrexate, ethylene glycol toxicity, radiocontrast agents
Normal	prerenal and postrenal failure, HUS/thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura (TTP), preglomerular vasculitis, or atheroembolism <sup>40</sup>



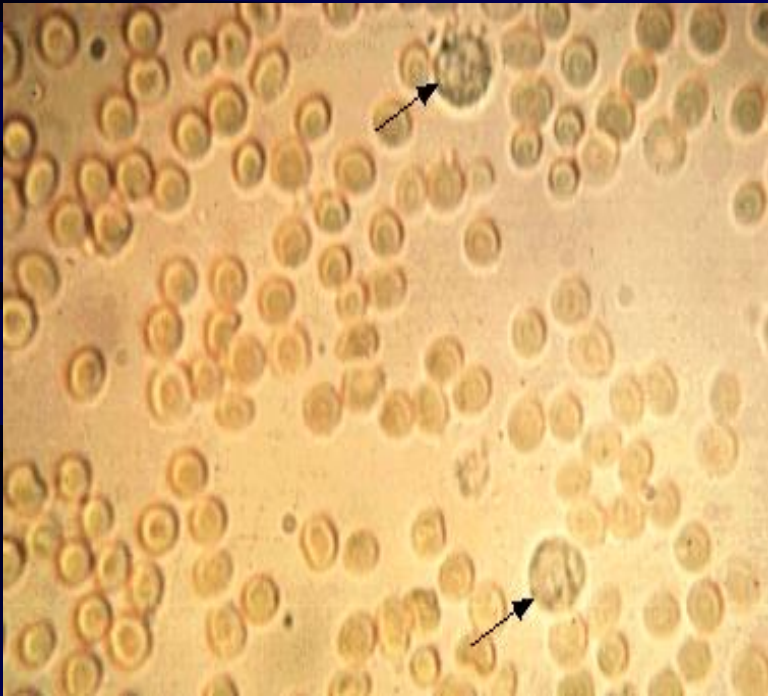
# Urine Sediment



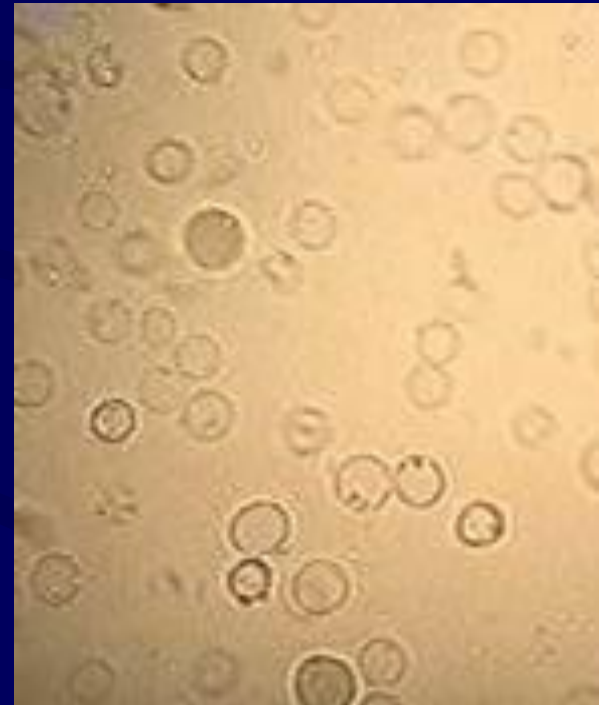
# Red Blood Cell Cast



# Red Blood Cells



Monomorphic

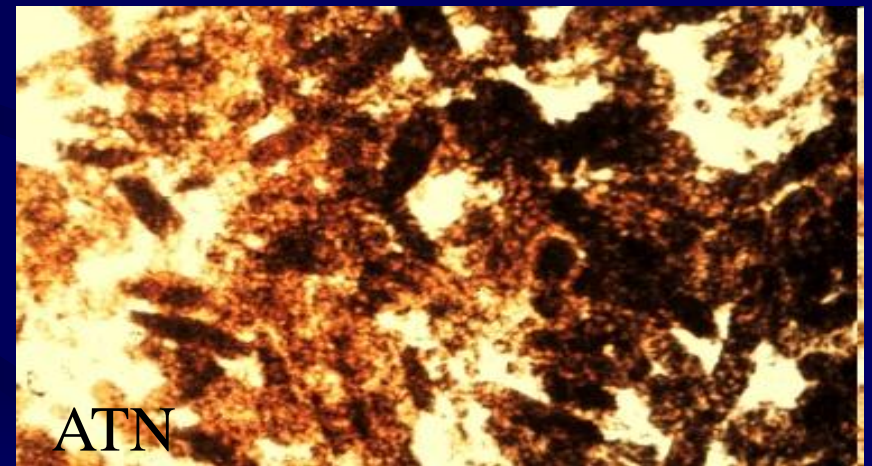
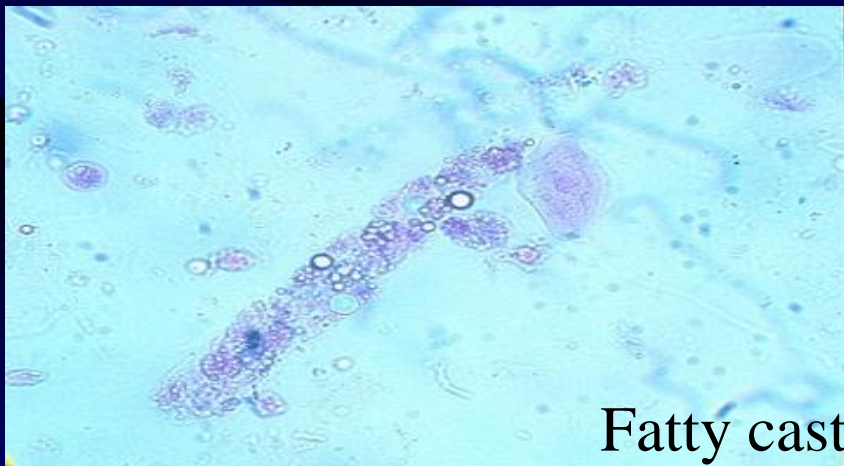
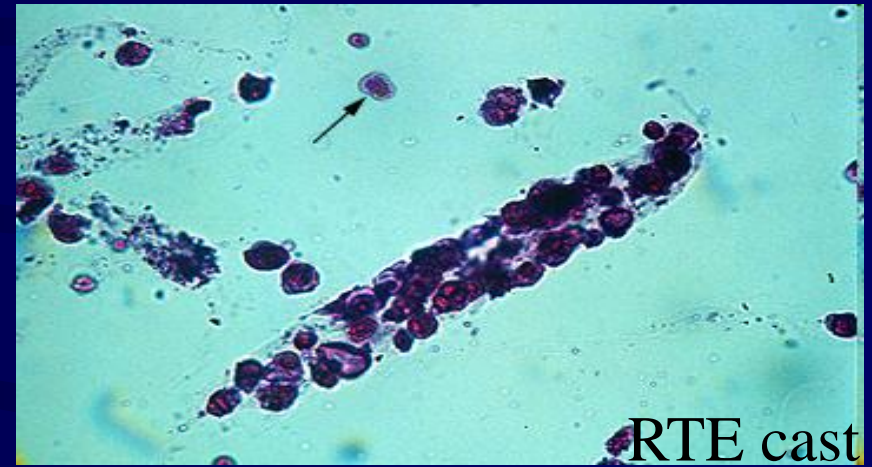


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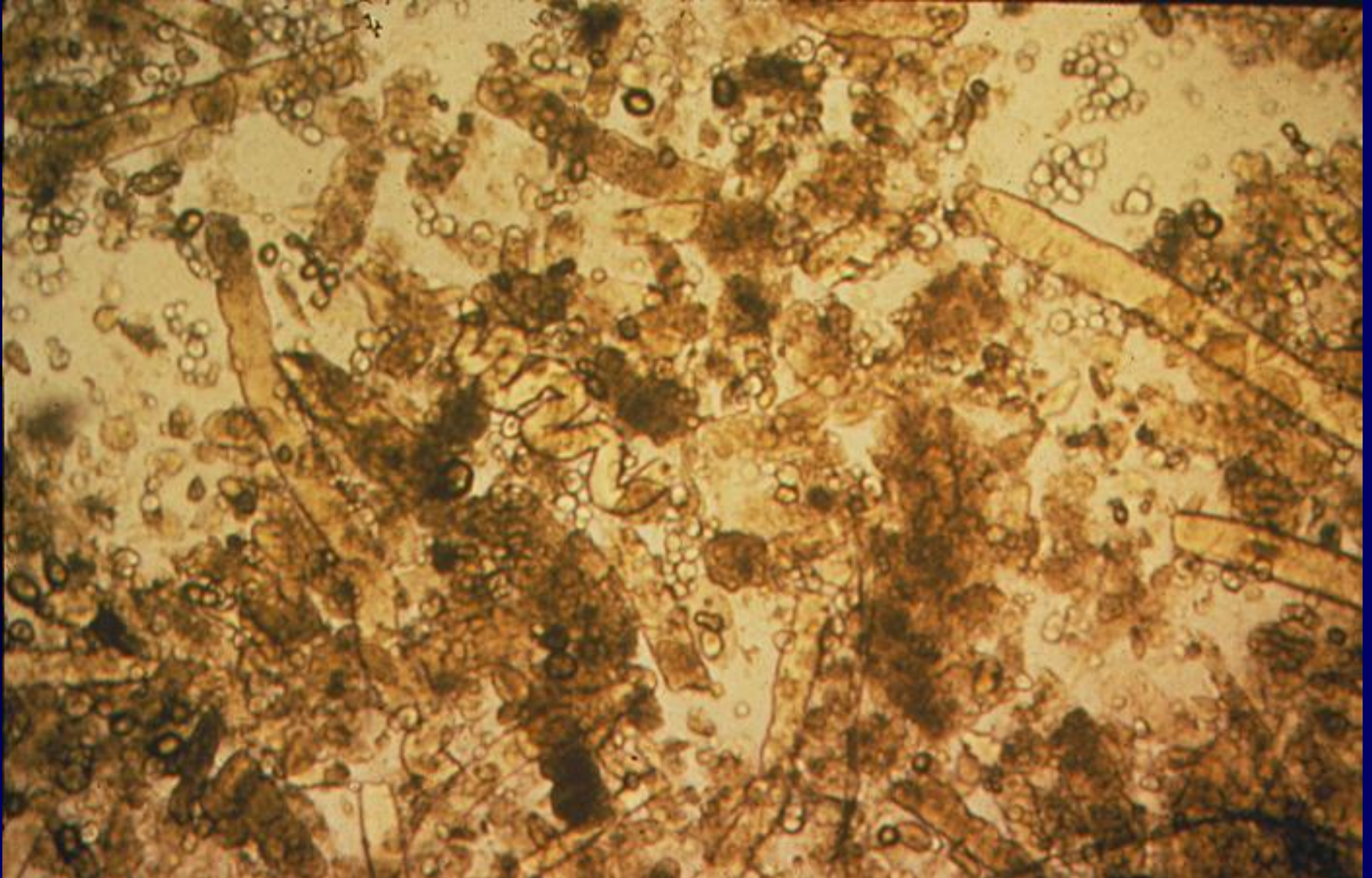
# Dysmorphic Red Blood Cells



# Urine Sediment



# Pigmented Granular Casts



# Complete blood count

Leukocytosis	common in ARF
Leukopenia and thrombocytopenia	SLE or TTP
Anemia and rouleaux formation	multiple myeloma

# Complete blood count

Microangiopathic anemia	TTP or atheroemboli
Eosinophilia	allergic interstitial nephritis, polyarteritis nodosa, or atheroemboli
Coagulation disturbances	liver disease or hepatorenal syndrome.



# Blood chemistry

Creatine  
phosphokinase  
(CPK) elevations

rhabdomyolysis and  
myocardial infarction

Elevations in liver  
transaminases

rapidly progressive liver  
failure and hepatorenal  
syndrome

Hypocalcemia  
(moderate)

common complication  
of ARF

Hyperkalemia

# Urine indices

	prerenal ARF	ATN
Urine specific gravity	>1.018	<1.012
Urine osmolality (mOsm/kg H <sub>2</sub> O)	>500	<500
Urine sodium (mEq/L)	<15-20	>40
Plasma BUN/creatinine ratio	>20	<10-15
Urine/plasma creatinine ratio	>40	<20

# Complications

❖ Hyperkalemia.

❖ Acidosis

❖ Hypocalcemia

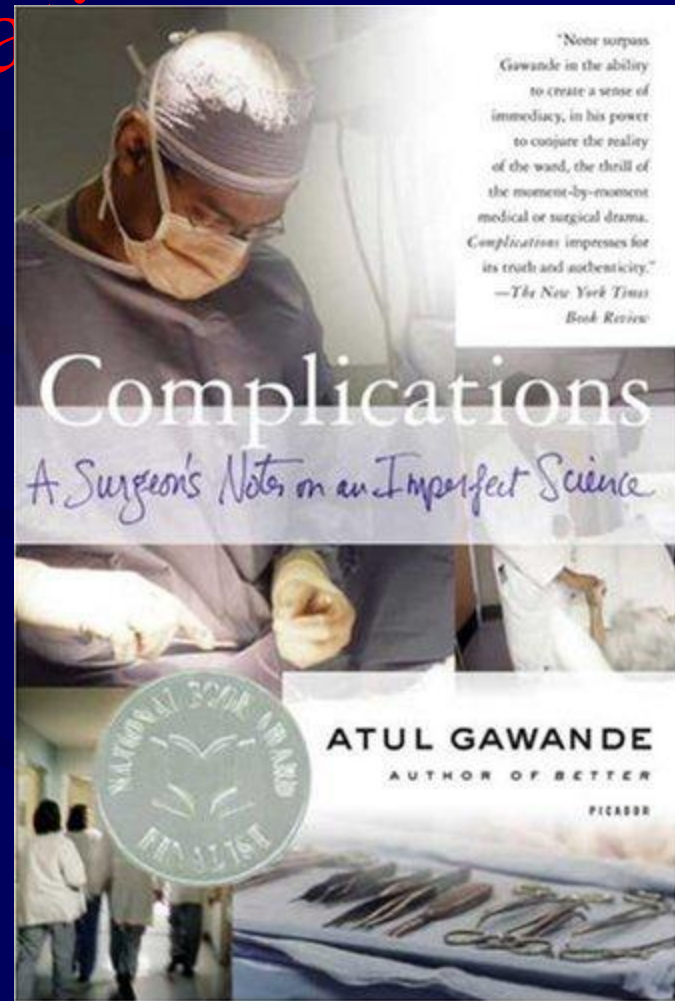
❖ Hyponatremia.

❖ Hypertension

❖ Seizures.

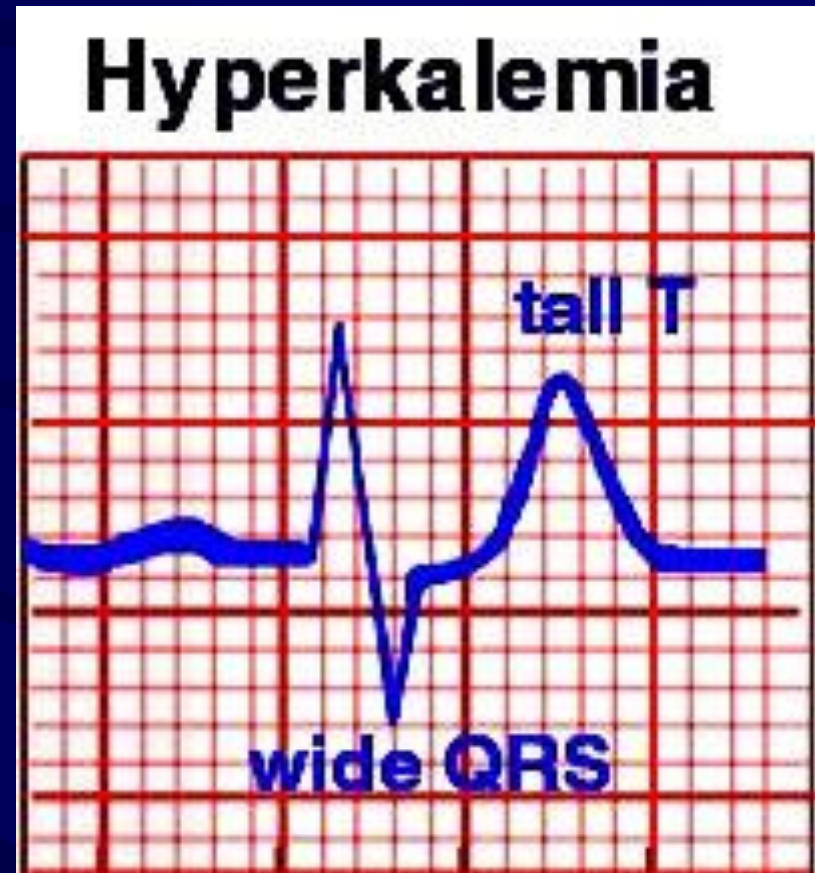
❖ Infections.

❖ Anemia



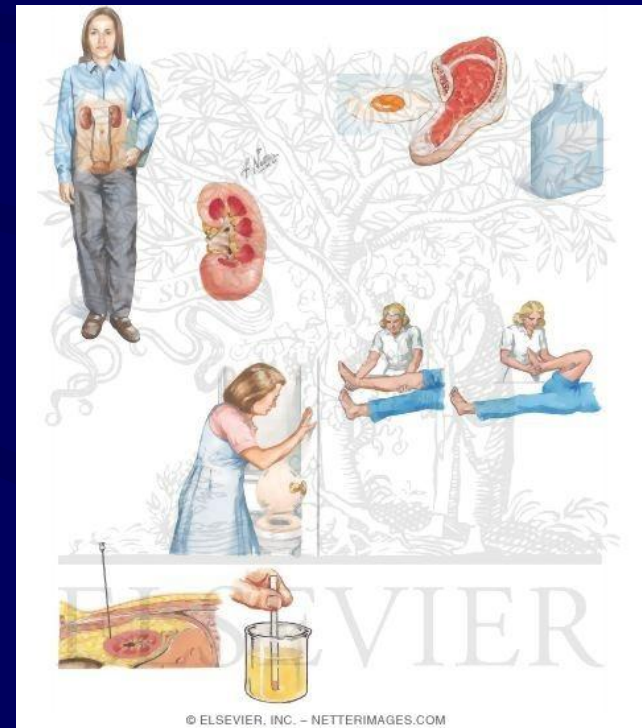
# Hyperkalemia Symptoms

- Weakness
- Lethargy
- Muscle cramps
- Paresthesias
- Dysrhythmias



# Management

1. General measures.
2. Fluid therapy.
3. Management of complications.



# General Measures

- IV secure.
- Take blood samples.
- Collect urine sample.
- Catheterize if bladder is palpable.



➤ Record blood pressure.

➤ Careful intake and output record.

➤ Daily weight measurement.

➤ Daily investigations.

- ✓ Urea
- ✓ Creatinine
- ✓ Serum electrolytes
- ✓ Blood gases
- ✓ ECG(to detect Hyperkalemia).

# Acute Renal Failure

## Treatment

- Water and sodium restriction
- Protein restriction
- Potassium and phosphate restriction
- Adjust medication dosages
- Avoidance of further insults
  - BP support
  - Nephrotoxins



➤ Calculation of fluid in renal failure.

☐ 400ml/meter square/day (insensible loss) + output(urine, vomiting, stool)

☐ in infants 15ml/kg fluid + output

➤ 300 calories/meter square/day are given to reduce catabolism.

➤ Protein should be restricted to 0.5g/kg/day.

➤ Avoidance or careful monitoring of blood levels of drugs excreted by kidney.

# Fluid Therapy

## ❖ IN RENAL FAILURE WITH DEHYDRATION.

If pt severely dehydrated or in shock.

- Give IV push of **N/S 20 ml/kg** in  $\frac{1}{2}$  hr.
- Observe hydration status and after  $\frac{1}{2}$  hr passage of urine.

If hydration & Shock improved

- Give **90 ml/kg of N/S or ringer lactate** slow in 3 hrs.
- Again observe hydration status and urine output.

If there is no urine output after 3 hrs and hydration is improved.

➤ Give frusemide 2 mg/kg/dose IV stat

➤ Observe for 2-3 hrs.



If urine output is not increased.

➤ Repeat frusemide.

If still there is no urinary output.

➤ Peritoneal dialysis.



## ❖ RENAL FAILURE WITH FLUID OVERLOAD (Pulmonary edema)

- No IV fluids given.
- Give **frusemide 2 mg/kg/dose** IV stat.
- Assess after 2-3 hrs.
- Dose may repeat.

If no diuresis after 2 doses of frusemide.

- Single IV dose of **0.5-1.0g/kg Mannitol** in 30 min.
- **Dopamine 5 ug/kg/min** may given if there is no hypertension.
- **Peritoneal dialysis** is indicated if no response to above treatment.

# Management of Complications

## 1. HYPERKALEMIA

### ❖ Calcium gluconate:

0.5-0.1ml/kg IV diluted slowly over 10 min  
under cardiac monitoring

S/E Bradycardia

cardiac arrest when given rapidly.

If heart rate falls 20beats/min stop the infusion  
until heart rate returns to normal.

### ❖ Sodium bicarbonate

- 1-2mEq/kg slow IV diluted in normal saline.
- Shifts potassium into cells.

## ❖ Glucose solution (50%)

- 1ml/kg with regular insulin, 0.1u/kg IV in 1 hr .

## ❖ Kayexalate

- Given orally or per rectum at dose of 1g/kg mixed with sorbitol.

## ❖ Beta adrenergic receptor agonist

- Salbutamol given by nebulization also acutely lowers potassium levels.

## ❖ Dialysis

- Definite therapy for removal of potassium.

## 2. ACIDOSIS:

❖ Correct acidosis by following formula;

$$\text{NaHCO}_3 \text{ mEq/l} = 0.3 * \text{W.T.} * \text{Base Deficit} \\ (24 - \text{serum NaHCO}_3)$$

Total calculated dose divide in 3 doses;

✓ One part given stat

✓ 2<sup>nd</sup> part after 8 hrs

✓ 3<sup>rd</sup> part discard

### 3. HYPOCALCEMIA

Can present as tetany or convulsions.

❖ 0.1-0.5 mg/kg iv calcium gluconate slow and diluted in 5 to 10 mins under cardiac monitoring.

Treatment primarily involves efforts to lower the serum phosphorous level.

❖ Calcium Carbonate (phosphate binder) help to decrease the absorption of phosphorous & help its excretion.



## 4. Hyponatremia:

Due to fluid overload or hypotonic fluid administration.

< 120 mEq/l require correction with hypertonic sodium chloride

Required Sodium mEq/l =  $0.6 * W.T * (125 - \text{serum Na})$

❖ In CCF & Hypertension due to fluid overload, contraindicated to give Hypertonic Saline  
Do Dialysis to correct hyponatremia

- HT
- Nifedipine=0-25---1mg/kg/dose/po
- Diazoxide=2---5mg/kg/dose/iv
- Labetalol=0-2---1mg/kg/dose/iv
- Hydralazine=0-1---0-5mg/kg/iv
- Na nitroprusside=0-5---10mcg/kg/minute/iv
- Enalapril=5---10mcg/kg/dose/iv/each 8—  
24hr

## 6. Seizures:

Due to primary renal disease, uremia,  
hyponatremia, hypocalcaemia &  
hypertension

Inj. Diazepam 0.03 mg/kg/dose



## 7. Infections:

Due to bladder catheterization or peritoneal dialysis

❖ Broad Spectrum Antibiotics

(B.Pencillin or Ceftriaxone) given.



❖ Nephrotoxic

(Amikacin, Erythromycin) drugs avoided.

## 8. Anemia:

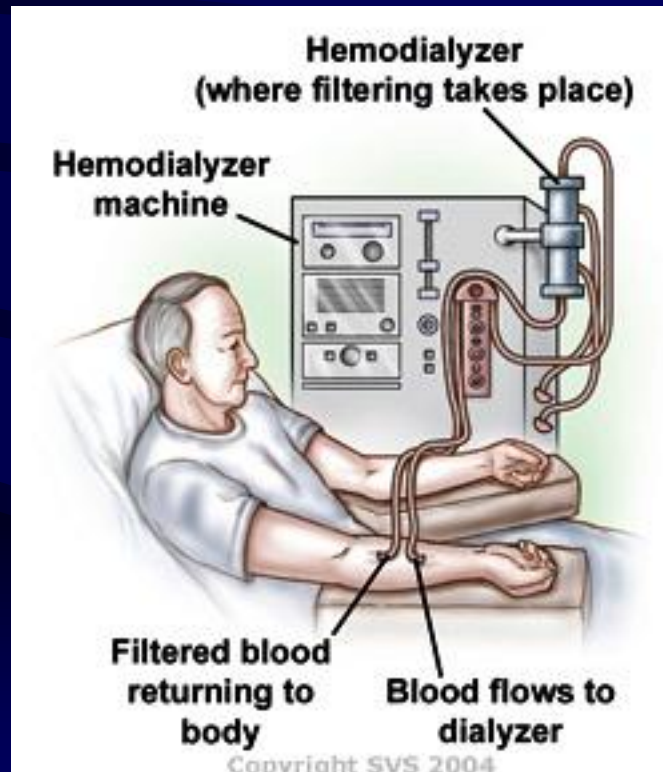
Due to volume expansion

- ❖ If  $Hb < 7$  g/dl, blood ( pack cells 10 ml/kg ) should be given very slowly in 4 to 6 hrs.



# 10. Dialysis:

## Peritoneal dialysis & Hemo dialysis

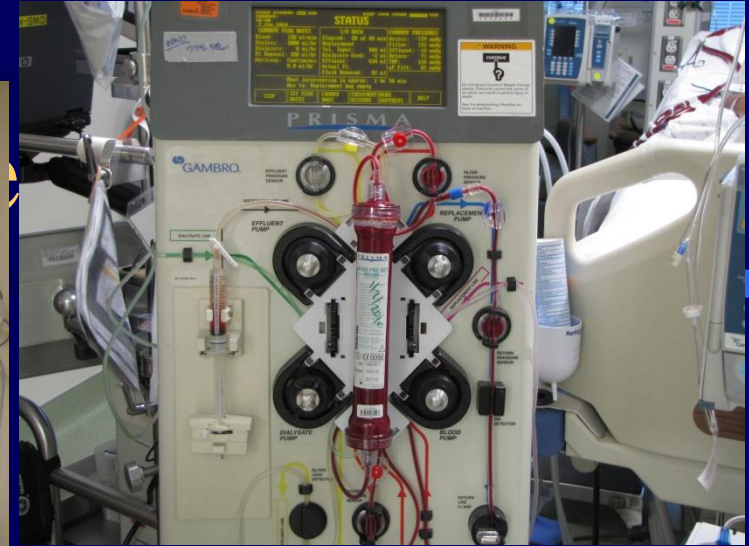




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Intermit HD



Gambro PrismaFlex  
Adult CRRT



Gambro Prisma: Peds CRRT



Baxter HomeChoice  
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## ❖ Indications for dialysis;

- **Hyperkalemia** unresponsive to medical therapy.
- **Acidosis** unresponsive to medical therapy.
- **Fluid overload** unresponsive to fluid restriction or to diuretics.
- **Symptoms & Signs of uremia.**
- **Hypertension & CCF** not responding to medical therapy.
- **Blood urea N** greater than 100-150mg/dl
- **Mental status change**



# Peritoneal dialysis

## Advantages

- Simple to set up & perform
- Easy to use in infants
- Hemodynamic stability
- No anti-coagulation
- Bedside peritoneal access
- Treat severe hypothermia or hyperthermia

## Disadvantages

- Unreliable ultrafiltration
- Slow fluid & solute removal
- Drainage failure & leakage
- Catheter obstruction
- Respiratory compromise
- Hyperglycemia
- Peritonitis
- Not good for hyperammonemia or intoxication with dialyzable poisons

# Intermittent Hemodialysis

## Advantages

- Maximum solute clearance of 3 modalities
- Best therapy for severe hyperkalemia
- Limited anti-coagulation time
- Bedside vascular access can be used

## Disadvantages

- Hemodynamic instability
- Hypoxemia
- Rapid fluid and electrolyte shifts
- Complex equipment
- Specialized personnel
- Difficult in small infants

# Continuous Hemofiltration

## Advantages

- Easy to use in PICU
- Rapid electrolyte correction
- Excellent solute clearances
- Rapid acid/base correction
- Controllable fluid balance
- Tolerated by unstable pts.
- Early use of TPN
- Bedside vascular access routine

## Disadvantages

- Systemic anticoagulation (except citrate)
- Frequent filter clotting
- Vascular access in infants

# Prognosis

Depends upon cause.

❖ 90 % complete remission in;

✓ ATN

✓ HUS

✓ Other Causes of pre-renal failure

❖ Poor Prognosis when renal failure due to;

✓ RPGN

✓ Bilateral Renal Vein Thrombosis

✓ Bilateral Cortical Necrosis

# Prognosis

- Highly dependent on underlying etiology, age of patient, and clinical presentation
- AKI neonates (review)
  - Oliguric AKI mortality as high as 60%
  - CHD & Uro abnml mortality up to 86%
- Children (retrospective)
  - $\geq 3$  system organ failure assoc with more than 50% mortality

# Distinguishing ARF from CRF

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## Helpful clues...

- Previous creatinine values
- Hb – anemia suggests chronic problem
- Renal ultrasound – small, echogenic kidneys suggest a chronic problem
- X-rays – renal osteodystrophy suggests chronic problem
- Renal biopsy

Exceptions to the “small kidneys = CRF” rule:  
early DM, amyloid, HIV nephropathy, PCKD

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