

# GOUT & PSEUDOGOUT

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# GOUT

- Hyperuricemia is not gout
- Gout typically follows years of asymptomatic hyperuricemia
- Serum urate increased by alcohol, height, body weight, age, blood pressure, BUN, creatinine
- 13.6/1000 in men
- 6.4/1000 in women
- estrogen causes increased uric acid excretion

# CLASSIFICATION CRITERIA

- Step 1: Entry Criteria – swelling pain and redness in a peripheral joint or bursa
- Step 2: Sufficient criterion (if met does not require other criteria) – MSU crystals in a symptomatic joint or bursa
- Step 3: Apply criteria if step 2 is not met

# CLASSIFICATION CRITERIA

(Requires 9 points)

- Characteristics (1-3 points)
  - Erythema over joint
  - Can't bear touch
  - Inability to walk or use joint
- Time Course (one episode 1 point, recurrent 2 points)
  - <24 hours
  - Resolves in <14 days
  - Complete resolution between episodes
- Evidence of Tophus (4 points)
- Serum Urate
  - <4 (-4 points)
  - 6-8 (2 points)
  - 8 – 10 (3 points)
  - > 10 (4 points)
- MSU negative (-2 points)
- Imaging
  - Urate deposit evidence (4 points)
  - Typical damage evidence (4 points)

# ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS

- Obesity
- Ethanol
- Diabetes Mellitus
- Hypertriglyceridemia
- Hypertension
- Hypothyroidism
- Atherosclerosis
- Metabolic Syndrome
- Pregnancy
- Acute Illness
- Dehydration
- Psoriasis

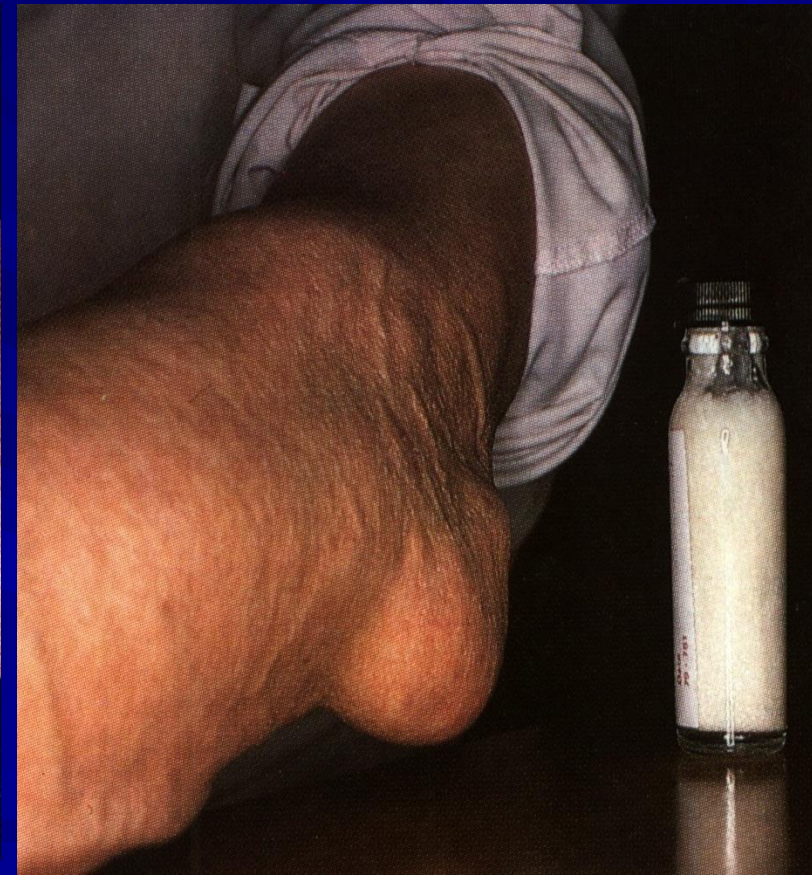
# NEGATIVE ASSOCIATIONS

- Rheumatoid Arthritis
- SLE
- Ankylosing Spondylitis

# CLINICAL

- Asymptomatic Hyperuricemia
- Acute Gout
- Intercurrent Period
- Acute Gout
- Chronic Gout

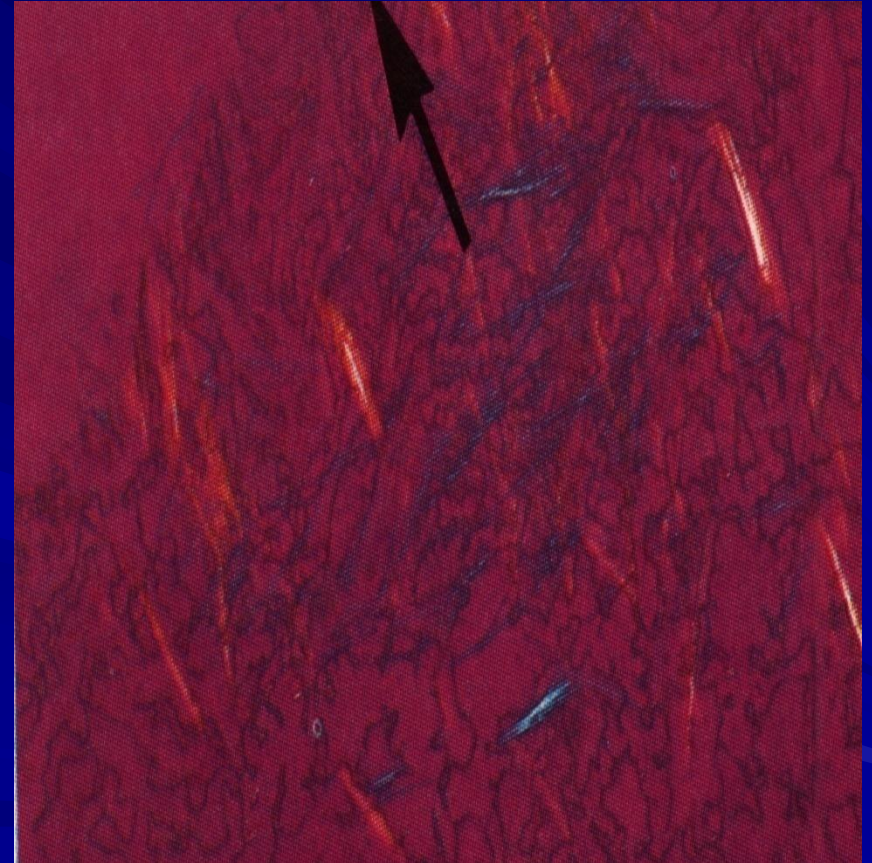
# PRESENTATION





# PATHOLOGY

- Monosodium Urate Crystals are formed when the bodies capacity to store uric acid is surpassed
- Uric acid is a byproduct of purine metabolism
- Serum saturation 6.7mg/dl



# TOPHI



# RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS



# Hyperuricemia

- Primary Hyperuricemia

Hyperuricemia which is not caused by or secondary to another disorder.

- Idiopathic

- underexcretion - 90%

- overproduction - 10%

- Secondary Hyperuricemia

Hyperuricemia which occurs as a result of a drug effect or is secondary to another disease

# OVERPRODUCTION PRIMARY HYPERURICEMIA

- **HGPRT Deficiency**  
(Hypoxanthine Guanine Phosphoribosyltransferase Deficiency)
- **PRPP Synthetase Superactivity**  
(Phosphoribosylpyrophosphate synthetase superactivity)
- **G-6-P-D Deficiency**
- **Fructose-1-Phosphate Aldolase Deficiency**

# OVERPRODUCTION

## SECONDARY HYPERURICEMIA

- Diet
- Myeloproliferative Disorders
- Lymphoproliferative Disorders
- Accelerated ATP Degradation
- Glycogen Storage Disease (type I, III, V, VII)
- Severe Muscle Exertion
- Hemolytic Disease
- Psoriasis
- G-6-PD Deficiency
- Fructose-1-Phosphate Aldolase Deficiency
- HGPRT Deficiency

# Under Excretion

- 1° Hyperuricemia
  - Idiopathic
- 2° Hyperuricemia
  - inhibition of tubular urate secretion (DKA, lactic acidosis, Maple Syrup Urine Disease, Alcoholic Ketosis)
  - enhanced tubular reabsorption (dehydration, diuretics)
- Unknown Mechanism
  - Hypertension
  - Lead
  - Hyperparathyroid
  - Drugs
    - Cyclosporine
    - ASA
    - Ethambutol
    - Pyrazidamide
    - Ethanol
    - Nicotinic Acid

# Combined Overproduction & Underexcretion

- Glucose - 6- Phosphatase Deficiency
- Fructose -1-phosphate aldolase deficiency



# INDICATIONS FOR TREATMENT

- Acute Gout
- Tophi
- Uric Acid Stones
- Uric Acid Nephropathy
- Interstitial Nephritis

# TREATMENT GOALS

- Stop acute attacks
- Resolve Tophi
- Prevent joint damage
- Decrease uric acid below 6.0

# TREATMENT

## ■ Acute

- colchicine
- Indomethacin
- Other NSAID
- Steroid
- Pain Medication
- ACTH
- Joint Injection
- Anakinra (Kineret)  
Interleukin-1 receptor  
antagonist

## ■ Chronic

- Allopurinol
- Febuxostat
- Probenecid
- NSAID
- Colchicine
- Sulfipyrazone
- Pegloticase (Krystexxa)
- Anakinra ? (Kineret)

# CALCIUM PYROPHOSPHATE

- Common name Pseudogout
- Occurs exclusively in and around joints
- May be asymptomatic or cause disease

# CLINICAL PRESENTATIONS

## ■ Acute

- similar to gout
- may have fever, leukocytosis, elevated ESR

## ■ Chronic

- similar to OA
- symmetrical
- mainly in knees, wrists, hips
- isolated patellofemoral disease

# CLINICAL PRESENTATIONS

- Polyarticular-may mimic Rheumatoid Arthritis
- Oligoarticular-usually elderly
- Pyrophosphate Arthropathy
  - Early-mimics Osteoarthritis
  - Late-Charcot Joint
- Precocious Osteoarthritis

# CHONDROCALCINOSIS

- Rheumatoid 5%
  - 10% RF positive
- Gout 25%
- OA 50%
- Asymptomatic 20%
- Present in
  - 4% of adult population
  - 50% over age 90

# EPIDEMIOLOGY

- Hereditary - autosomal dominant
- Post Traumatic
- Sporadic-rare under age 40
- Osteochondrodysplasia
- 2° To Metabolic Disease
  - hemochromatosis
  - hyperparathyroid
  - hypothyroid
  - amyloid
  - hypomagnesemia
  - hypophosphatemia
  - Rickets
  - Familial hypocalcuric hypocalcemia



# RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Chondrocalcinosis
- Crowned Dens
  - neck pain due to crystal deposits surrounding dens
- Cord compression
- Wrap Around Patella
- Erosive OA



# DIAGNOSIS

## ■ Definite

- crystals in joint

## ■ Probable

- other calcium crystals in joint

## ■ Possible

- X-Ray findings
- Typical joint distribution
- History

# CALCIUM PYROPHOSPHATE



# PATHOLOGY

- Normal serum phosphate
- Normal phosphate excretion
- Elevated levels of inorganic phosphate in synovial fluid
- **NTPPPHase = Cause**  
(Nucleoside triphosphate pyrophosphohydrolase)

# TREATMENT

- NSAID
- Colchicine
- Steroids
- Physical Therapy
- Surgery
- Joint Injections

# APATITE -LIKE CRYSTALS

- Carbonate substituted apatite
- Octacalcium Phosphate (OCP)
- Tricalcium phosphate (TCP)
- Dicalcium phosphate dihydrate (brushite)

# APATITE - LIKE DISEASE

- Bursitis
- Tendonitis
- Arthritis
- Renal Failure
- epiphyseal dysplasia
- destructive OA
- Crystals not visible on microscopy
- Alizaren Red-stain red
- von Kossa-stain black
- precise ID requires x-ray diffraction

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