

NEPHRITIC SYNDROME:

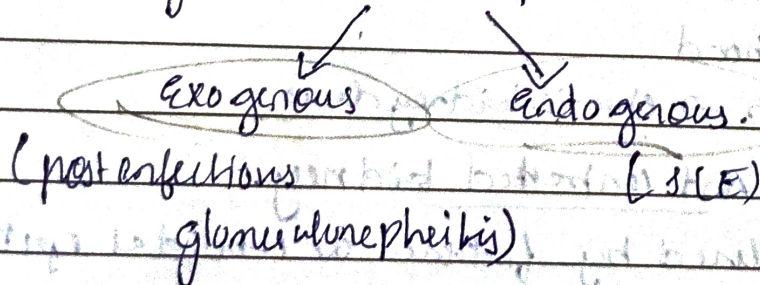
→ Hematuria, dysmorphic Red cells, Red cell casts in urine, Azotemia And oliguria. mild to moderate hypertension

MAIN FEATURES:

- Hematuria
- Proteinuria
- Hypertension
- Azotemia - Biochemical Abnormality with elevated blood urea nitrogen And creatinine level due to $\downarrow$ GFR
- $\downarrow$ GFR of oliguria.

ACUTE PROLIFERATIVE GLOMERULONEPHRITIS:

→ diffuse proliferation of glomerular cell Accompanied by infiltration of glomerulus by leukocytes.
→ usually Immune complex disease.



POSTSTREPTOCOCCAL GLOMERULONEPHRITIS:

Seen in b/w 6 & 10 years.

PATHOGENESIS:

Infection of pharynx by nephritogenic strain of β -hemolytic streptococcus

Planting of streptococcal Antigen from the circulation
in the subendothelial Region of GBM

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Specific Ab React with streptococcal Antigen
to form immune complex

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Immune complex initiate inflammatory Response
by Activating mediators of inflammation

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These complex detach migrate across the GBM

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Glomerular damage with glomerulonephritis.

Nephritis syndrome.

Evidence to support immunological basis

- Latent period - usually develop 1-4 weeks after 1st infection
- Ab against Antigens
- Hypocomplementemia
- Immune complex deposits
- Streptococcal Antigens in glomeruli
 - ↳ SpeB (Main Antigen)
 - ↳ NARIP (Nephritis Associated Streptococcal plasma Recept)
 - ↳ GAPDH (streptococcal glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase)

urea - raised, creatinine, starch - raised in urinalysis

Microscopic hematuria also observed

MORPHOLOGY:

GROSS - enlarged, pale capsular surface

MICROSCOPY:

Light Microscopy:

Glomeruli : enlarged & hypercellular

↓ due to

- infiltration by leukocytes → neutrophils and monocytes
- Proliferation & swelling of endothelial & mesangial cells
- Crescent formation in severe cases

Proliferation of parietal cells lining the Bowman capsule

Pathology : Red cell cast in the lumen

↳ or dysmorphic Red cell

Immunofluorescence Microscopy : Cells with prominent or fragmented

IgG, C3, IgM all seen in mesangium along the GBM

Appear as humps and produce granular fluorescence

Electron Microscopy

Subepithelial deposit - dense, Amorphous, electron dense deposits on the epithelial side of GBM

→ turned as bumps or lumps

subendothelial deposits. - commonly during early phase of the disease.

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- ⇒ Oliguria, hematuria,
- ⇒ Periorbital edema, mild to moderate hypertension.

→ cola color urine

L.B

- ⇒ Raised Antistreptococcal Antibody titer. (ASO titer)
- ⇒ Hypocomplementemia.
- ⇒ Rapid blood urea & serum creatinine.

PSGN

GOOD PASTURE SYNDROME:

Anti GBM Antibodies ~~DRB1~~ React with pulmonary Alveolar basement membrane causing pulmonary hemorrhage associated with a Renal failure.

PATHOGENESIS:

Genetic predisposition:

HLA - DRB1

HLA - DRB1 - in these patients points towards genetic predisposition to Autoimmunity.

→ AntiGBM Antibodies are formed against Goodpasture Antigens

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These Antigens result from conformational change in $\alpha 3$ chain of type IV collagen.

IV collagen

$\alpha 3$ chain

→ Anti GBM Antibodies cross React with target Antigen.
→ React with Alveolar capillary basement membrane
in pulmonary haemorrhages & haemoptysis.

→ Receptors in the GBM Allow leukocytes, proteins and inflammatory mediators to leak into the urinary space initiate crescent formation.

MORPHOLOGY:

GROSS: Enlarged & pale kidney show pericapsular haemorrhages on the cortical surface (flou-bitten kidney).

MICROSCOPY:

Glomeruli: characteristic feature is crescents in most of the glomeruli.
Hence the term CRESCENTIC GLOMERULONEPHRITIS.

CRESCENTS: Formed by proliferation of the parietal epithelial cell lining the Bowman capsule and infiltration of monocytes and macrophages into the urinary space.

Stain - H & E, silver methenamine stain

stimulus: Fibrin leaked into the Bowman space found by the cellular layer.

Tubules → show casts and cells.

Immunofluorescence Microscopy