

26/9 GANGRENE & CALCIFICATION

Infarction

- Area of ischemic necrosis - occlusion of arterial supply or venous drainage
- Arterial thrombosis or embolism
- local ischaemia, hemorrhage into an atheromatous plaque
- Extensive vessel compression - tumor
- Venous thrombosis - bypass shunts rapidly open - outflow - improves arterial inflow.

Classification

- ① colour → red - hemorrhagic
- white - anemic
- ② Infarction → bland
- septic

What is Gangrene?

- Necrosis of tissue associated with superadded putrefaction, not often following coagulative necrosis due to ischemia.

It is the death of tissue caused by necrosis with infection.

Causes

Arterial occlusion

Venous obstruction - DVT

Nervous disease

→ diabetic gangrene

→ physical → heat

cold
corrosive
electricity
radiation.

Types:

→ Dry & Wet

Dry

Ischemic - hypoxic injury

↓
Coagulative necrosis.

↓
limits the blood supply

↓
kills bacteria.

WET Infarction

↓
padding of blood

↓
↑ bacteria.

Macroscopic death of tissue with putrefaction

Dry gangrene

→ Blood supply: arterial - gradually depleted.

venous flow - unimpeded

→ Arterial occlusion - chronic or acute

→ colour change:

greenish black. dry-mummified

→ line of separation present

- Stump is conical.
- Band of ~~hyperemia~~ hyperemia.
- Swile, disble

Wet Gangrene

Arterial & venous block.
Cold, pulseless, oedematous,
delirious, swollen.
Horrible odour.
No line of demarcation.
constitutional symptoms present
spreads fast.
seen in acute inflammation
venous thromboses, gas
gangrene.

→ mouth, throat, lungs,
cervix and vulva.

eg: Diabetic foot.

Bed sores.
Gangrene of bowel due to
strangulated hernia.

'Fournier's gangrene'.
→ vasculitis, infarctive gangrene
of scrotum.

Gas gangrene

→ considerable mass of body
tissue dies.

→ cause - *Clostridium perfringens*.
→ gram +ve anaerobic gas forming
bacilli.

→ It is also called

signs
→ swollen organ.

→ Oedematous

→ Crepitus

→ Blisters with foul smelling

→ discharges

→ Microscopically, bacterial colonies
seen

ms. fibres show coagulation
necrosis with liquefaction
gram +ve bacilli.

• Special form of wet gangrene
caused by
which gain entry into tissues
through contaminated wounds.

types: fulminant, necrotic,
group.

Comparing features of dry
and wet gangrene - Table.

coagulation necrosis - dry
liquefaction → wet.

4 points.
etiology, site, mechanism,
gross, microscopy.

diagnostic.

→ X-ray

→ Blood.

→ CT

Management

→ antibiotic - penicillin
Amoxicillin
penicillin

Supportive care

→ IV fluid
→ Anticoagulant
High protein diet
Oxygen therapy

Surgical

→ Amputation

→

Pathological calcification

def: Abnormal dep. of Ca^{2+}
in tissues other than bone
& enamel.

2 types: → Dystrophic
→ Metastatic

→ Etiology & pathogenesis diff
& morphology similar

gross: chalky white, granular
mass

Micro: H&E - deeply
eosinophilic, irregular granular
clumps

Site: Extra or intra cellular

Special stain: von Kossa
(black colour)

VIVA

Ca^{2+} usually basophilic,
special stain - black

Dystrophic

in dead & degenerated tissue

→ Ca^{2+} metabolism normal
→ serum Ca^{2+} normal
→ cause organ dysfunction
in various affected
eg: aortic stenosis

Pathogenesis → formation of
normal hydroxyapatite

eg:
→ calcareous nodules in fb
of ather

→ fat nodules
→ infarcts
→ Thrombi in veins
→

Old scars, atherosclerosis, Monckeberg
sclerosis (arteries)

→ wall of longstanding cysts
→ calcified cutis (calcification
skin & subcutaneous tissue, unknown
cause)

→ In senile degenerative
changes (cornea & articular cartilage)

Metastatic

Site: → bone metastases
kidneys
of tubular ep

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Blood vessel $\rightarrow$ internal elastic lamina
cornea.
synovium.

Etiology

Excessive mobilisation for
bone $\uparrow$.

Excessive metabolism

pathogenesis.

- $\rightarrow$ anemia
- $\rightarrow$ initiation & perpetuation
- $\rightarrow$ local alteration of pH.

Excessive mobilisation

more common

$\rightarrow$ Hyperparathyroidism.

- ① primary (PTH adenoma)
- ② secondary ^{parathyroid} (9% renal fail)

$\rightarrow$ Destructive bone lesion (m.
myeloma, metastasis, Paget's
disease).

$\rightarrow$ prolonged immobilisation of
patients.

Excessive absorption

- $\rightarrow$ Hypo vitamin D.
- $\rightarrow$ with alkali syndrome.
- $\rightarrow$ Hypercalcaemia of malignancy

(Prepare Table.)

def, Ca^{2+} met, Ca^{2+} level (seem)
sensitivity, cause, pathogenesis,
common sites

Prepare notes

$\rightarrow$ Types of calcification

$\rightarrow$ Difference b/w

$\rightarrow$ Pathogenesis.

$\rightarrow$ Morphology

$\rightarrow$ Microscopic features.

$\rightarrow$ Special stains, what does
does the Ca^{2+} well stain?

$\rightarrow$ Infection - types.

$\rightarrow$ Gangren - definition.

$\rightarrow$ Causes.

$\rightarrow$ Pathogenesis.

$\rightarrow$ Types.

$\rightarrow$ Differentials.

• Types of Calcification

1. Dystrophic.
2. Metastatic.

Abnormal deposition of calcium salts in tissues due to them or local or enamel.

• Differences between

	Dystrophic	Metastatic
Definition	Deposition of Ca^{2+} in dying or dead tissues.	Dep. of Ca^{2+} in apparently normal tissues.
Ca^{2+} metabolism	normal.	Excessive decreased.
Serum Ca^{2+} level	normal.	Increased.
Reversibility	Generally irreversible.	Reversible upon correction of metabolic disorder.
Causes	Neuritis (caseous, liquefactive, fat), infarcts, rheumatoid, hematoma, dead parasites, old scars, atheromas, Minkowski's scleroses, certain tumours, cysts, calcareous bodies.	Hyperparathyroidism (due to adenoma, hyperplasia, CRF), bony destructive lesions (eg: myeloma, metastatic carcinoma), prolonged immobilisation, hyperuricaemia, milk-alkali syndrome, hypercalcaemia of infancy.

Pathogenesis: ↑ binding of phosphate with necrotic and degenerative tissue, which enhances binds to calcium, forming calcium phosphate precipitate.

↑ precipitate of calcium phosphate due to hypercalcaemia at certain sites such as lungs, stomach, blood vessels & cornea.

Common sites

kidneys, lungs, stomach, blood vessel, cornea, synovium.

• Pathogenesis:

dystrophic calcification:

Since serum Ca^{2+} levels are within normal limits, denatured proteins in necrotic or degenerated tissue bind PO_4^- which react with Ca^{2+} to form precipitates of $Ca(PO_4)_2$.

- formation of normal hydroxy apatite in bone in 2 phases

i) Initiation - precipitates of $Ca_3(PO_4)_2$ accumulate intracellularly in mitochondria, or extracellularly in membrane-bound vesicles.

ii) Propagation - mineral deposited in initiation phase are propagated to form mineral crystals.

Morphology

gross: chalky white, granular mass.

Micro: deeply basophilic, irregular granular clumps.

Stains

Von Kossa — black.
alizerin reds → red.

Types of Infarction

Based on colour,
→ hemorrhagic and anemic

Based on infection,
→ bland and septic.

Gangrene

Massive necrosis of tissue associated with superadded putrefaction) most often following coagulative necrosis due to ischemia.

Causes: arterial occlusion (eg. atherosclerosis), venous obstruction (DVT), nervous disease, diabetic gangrene, due to physical factors such as heat (burns), cold (frostbite), corrosion, electricity, radiation.

Types → Dry Gangrene.
→ Wet Gangrene.
→ Gas gangrene.

<u>Differences</u>		<u>Wet</u>
<u>Site</u>	<u>Dry</u> limbs.	Bowels.
<u>Eg:</u>	Gangrene due to atherosclerotic narrowing of blood vessels of lower limbs.	Volvulus enteritis/infarction.
<u>Cause of ischemia</u>	Arterial obstruction.	commonly venous obstruction.
<u>Rate of obstruction</u>	slow	Abrupt
<u>Appearance</u>	shriveled, dry and black.	swollen, soft and moist.
<u>line of demarcation</u>	clear cut	Not clear cut.
<u>Spread</u>	slow	rapid.
<u>Prognosis</u>	Fair.	Poor due to severe septicemia.
<u>Putrefaction</u>	limited due to very little blood supply	Marked due to shuffling of organs with blood.
<u>Bacteria</u>	fail to survive	numerous present.