

### Patho - Test 2

#### Week 4 - AS

Disorders of Arterial Circulation  
1. Hyperlipidemia - an increase in blood cholesterol as chol. and tri. increase, so does HD & stroke

2. Atherosclerosis - plaque buildup in arteries  
3. Occlusions/Obstructions - complete or partial blockage in b.v (veins or arteries)

#### 5 Lipoproteins

1. Chylomicrons 2. VLDL 3. IDL  
4. LDL - too much fat --> liver saturated --> too much in blood -> excess LDL binds to endothelial cells --> macrophages bind to LDL --> m.p oxidize LDL (key contributor to AS)  
5. HDL - "good" & synthesized by liver - transports chol back to liver from periphery

#### CAD RISK FACTORS

\*smoking \* HTN \* family hx \* HDL less than 40mg/dL \* diabetes

#### Atherosclerosis

Accumulation of lipid-laden macrophages forming a lesion called plaque

Leading cause: CAD, stroke, peripheral arterial disease

#### RISK FACTORS AS

increasing age, male, genetic disorders of metabolism, family hx of CAD OR smoking, obesity, HTN, HYLIP, diabetes

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#### Pathogenesis of AS

1. Endothelial Injury - smoking, LDL, immune mechanisms & mechanical stress from HTN cause this with adhesion of monocytes and platelets  
2. Migration of inflammatory cells - endothelial cells bind to monocytes and platelets that start AS lesions - monocytes adhere to endothelium and stay in intima, transform into macrophages and engulf LDLs  
3. Lipid Accumulation & SM proliferation - macrophages engulf LDL (protects but contributes to AS) & activated macrophages release toxic o2 that oxidizes LDL. Oxidized LDL ingested by macrophages result in FOAM CELLS  
4. Gradual development of plaque - consists of smooth muscle cells aggregation, macrophages, ECM, lipids. Superficial fibrous cap = SMC's and dense ECM

#### Plaque Structure

**shoulder** consists of macrophages, SMC's & lymphocytes  
Central core = lipid laden foam cells and fatty debris  
Rupture or erosion of unstable fibrous cap can lead to hemorrhage into plaque or thrombotic occlusion in vessel lumen

**STABLE** thick fibrous cap, partially blocked vessels, no clot formation or emboli

**UNSTABLE** thin fibrous cap, completely block artery, can rupture = thrombus or embolus

### Week 6 - Cerebrovascular Disease

#### TERMS

**Tissue Perfusion:** process of blood to a cap. bed in tissue "pour over or through" - blood flow

**Aneurysm** abnormal bulging of arterial wall, worsens over time as blood pushes against it, eventually bursting

**Ischemia:** low flow of blood to tissues and causes damage to target tissues (via obstruction or hemorrhage)

**Embolism** blockage forms clot and moves through circ.

**Stroke:** acute focal neurological deficit from vascular impairment of cerebral blood flow (> tissue perf & ischemia --> neurological deficits)

2 types **ISCHEMIC** (caused by thrombosis/emboli) & **HEMORRHAGIC** (subarachnoid aneurysmal hemorrhage)

#### Ischemic Stroke

risk factors: HTN, smoking, diabetes, carotis stenosis, sickle cell disease, hyperlipidemia, atrial fibrillation

5 stroke subtypes: 1. large artery AS disease, 2. small vessel or pen. artery, 3. cardiogenic embolism 4. cryptogenic stroke 5. unusual causes

### Week 6 - Cerebrovascular Disease (cont)

**Penumbra** central core of dead/dying cells surrounded by ischemic band of cells called "penumbra" HALO.

cells inside penumbra experience: impaired metabolic activity, electrical failure, structural intg. cells maintained Survival is dependant on return of circ.

**will remain viable for several hrs due to collateral arteries supplying the zone**

#### LARGE vessel (thrombotic) Stroke

thrombi most common cause of ischemic stroke in AS vessels (common sites: internal carotid, vertebral arteries, junctions at basilar and vertebral, arterial bifurcations)

**Affects** - cerebral cortex as APHASIA & neglect as VISUAL & UNILATERAL

#### SMALL vessel (lacunar infarct) Stroke

small infarcts located deep in brain result from occlusion of smaller penetrating branches of larger cerebral arteries  
- healing lacunar infarcts leave behind lacunae (small cavities from AS)

**Affects** - hemiplegia, dysarthria (weakness of hands), MRI to diagnose

**TIA** - "ministroke" where blood flow reverses before infarction occurs (1 hr symptoms), zone of penumbra, caused by AS, warning



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**Cardiogenic Embolic Stroke**  
caused by moving blood clot that travels from its origin to brain, frequently in middle cerebral artery, originate from heart, SUDDEN

**Homonymous Hemianopsia** - food on left side not seen

**Diagnosis of Acute Stroke**  
CT, MRIs, catheter based conventional arteriography, sonography

**Treatment GOALS:** saving tissue, preventing secondary stroke, min. long-term disability - -- reperfusion tech. like tPA, catheter-directed clot disruption, aug. of CPP

**Post MGMT** highest risk 1 week after stroke or TIA, anti-platelet agents, warfarin

### HEMORRHAGIC STROKE

- often fatal - rupture of b.v - hemorrhage in brain tissue - compression in brain tissue by expanding hematoma and tissue edema in brain

**most common is aneurysmal subarachnoid hemorrhage (SAH)**

Risk Factors\*\* - age, HTN, aneurysm, trauma, tumors, blood coag. disorders, drugs etc

**Manifestations** 1. vomiting/headache 2. contralateral hemiplegia (hemorrhage into basal ganglia) 3. Edema exert pressure = coma & death (**monro-kellie hypothesis**)

### Week 6 - Cerebrovascular Disease (cont)

**SAH:** arise from congenital defect in medial layers of involved vessels - rupture of aneurysm causes bleeding into SA space leads to increased ICP

**Manifestation of SAH BEFORE:** asymptomatic, history of headaches, chronic headache  
**AFTER:** sudden headache, LOC, vomiting, blurred vision, sensory deficits, HTN, cerebral edema  
**Diagnosis:** clinical, CT scan, vascular imaging, lumbar puncture

**VASOSPASM:** involves focal narrowing of cerebral arteries - decreasing neurological status due to blood loss to area, 3-10 days after rupture  
**treatment** - vasoactive drugs, IV fluid, risk of re-bleeding, balloon dilation, meds (nimodipine)

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#### Week 4 - HTN

o most common health problem  
o leading risk factor for CV disorders (creates AS, increases workload on heart in left ventricular hypertrophy)  
o more men

**BP = CO x SVR**

#### Complications

high BP marked with progressive target organ damage (180/120)  
w/ severe headache/cerebral edema

**Treatment** partial reduction in bp to safer level

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#### Special Pops

Pregnancy - preclampsia-eclampsia  
Children/adolescents - lifestyle or secondary HTN (kidney issues)  
Older adults - stiffening of large arteries

#### Week 4 - Cardiac Conditions

**CAD:** Heart disease cause by impaired coronary blood flow (AS most common cause)

#### Pathogenesis of CAD

no symptoms until advances b/c collateral flow  
lesions usually located in LAD and RCA

#### CAD - 2 types

1. **ACS** - acute plaque disruption (unstable angina to MI) & presence of ST segment elevation present to confirm, T wave inversion, abnorm. Q wave

**Diagnosis of ACS** troponin I & troponin T (PRIMARY - rise 3 hr post MI and last 7-10 days), myoglobin, CKMB

2. **Chronic ischemic heart disease** - AS or vasospastic obstruction of coronary artery (ie, stable angina)

Stable Plaque = stable angina  
Unstable Plaque = pl. disruption, platelet agg, thrombus, unstable angina & MI

#### Pathophysiology of MI Occlusion

-->contractibility stops depriving myocardial cells --> LA accumulates and fibres irritated --> angina --> lead to MI

### Patho - Test 2 (cont)

#### Chronic Stable Angina

**Angina Pectoris**"sudden attack of angina due to transient myocardial ischemia  
**PRIMARY MANIFESTATION IS PAIN**

#### MI

**STEMI:** ischemic death of myocardial tissue occurs when a ruptured plaque blocks a major artery completely. - ST elevation.

#### Unstable Angina/NSTEMI:

caused by a block in a minor artery or a partial obstruction in a major artery. More severe prolonged angina

**STEMI - Reperfusion:** Reestablish blood flow w/fibrinolytic therapy  
**BENEFITS** - prevent necrosis, improve myocardial perfusion (recovery called stunned)

**Treatment of AMI** fibrinolytic therapy, PCI & CABG

### Week 7 - Respiratory Conditions Part 1

#### PULMONARY EDEMA

cap fluid move to alveoli, hgb leaves = cyanosis, coughing, crackles, tachycardia, cool skin  
**treatment** - non pharm: o2 and assistance with breathing -- pharm: diuretics, ACE inhibitors



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### Week 7 - Respiratory Conditions Part 1 (cont)

#### PNEUMOTHORAX

presence of air in pleural space, causes partial or full collapse

**1. Spontaneous** rupture of bleb on surface of lung, allows air from airways to enter pleural space, higher alveolar pressure and air flows into space, collapse  
**primary**: healthy, belbs at top, smoking

**secondary**: pt with lung disease, can be life threatening

**2. Traumatic** caused by penetrating or non-penetrating chest injuries (fracture ribs)

**3. Tension** life-threatening condition where injury allows air to enter but not leave, opposite side compression, shift in mediastinum, compression in vena cava, decrease in venous return to heart and decrease CO

**diagnosis** - clinical and xray CT

**treatment** small pneuemothroaces, o2, need aspiration

**HEMOTHORAX** presence of blood in plueral space - all same as penuemothorax

### Week 7 - Respiratory Conditions Part 1 (cont)

#### ASTHMA

1. Expose to allergin - mast cells release inflammatory mediators (symp. 10-20 min) 2. Infiltration of WBCs - release of cytokins (increased mucous) 3. Bronchospasm - caused by stim. of PS receptors, mucosal edema *late phase* 1. Inflammation and increased airway responsiveness (4-8 hrs after exposure) 2. Release of inflamm. mediators from mast cells (induce migration and basophil activation) 3. Epithelial injury and increase vascular permeability (edema) 4. Bronchospasm  
**treatment** SABA or LABA, brochidilators (b2 agonists, anticholinergic agents), steroids, aerochamber more effective

### Week 7 - Respiratory Conditions Part 1 (cont)

#### COPD (emphysema & chronic bronchitis)

-chronic obstruction of lung airflow that interferes with normal breathing and not reversible

- not cureable -

**emphysema**: enlargement of air spaces and destruction of lung tissues, a1 deficiency

**COB**: obstruction of small airways, chronic irritation (smoking)

**patho** increased mucous cells, mucous hypersecretion, hypertrophy in glands in trachea/b-ronchi, imflammation, fibrosis bronchiolar wall, increase goblet cells, viral and bacterial infections

**clinical fts** insidious onset, cough in am, dyspnea, SOB

**manifestations** wheezes and crackles, tripod position, pursed lip breathing, hypoxemia, cyanosis

#### Emphysema Patho

increased neutrophils in alveoli secrete trypsin, and imbalance of trypsin and a1 decreases protection, elasrase triggers breakdown of elastin, which damages alveoli

smoke --> inflammation --> acti. neutrophils --> inactiv. of antiproteases --> increase elastase activity --> tissue destruction

### Week 7 - Respiratory Conditions Part 1 (cont)

**PINK PUFFER** - usually emphysema, increases resp to maintain o2, dyspnea, lip breathing  
**BLUE BLOATERS** - usually bronchitis, cannot increase resp enough to maintain o2, cyanosis, cor pulmonale

### Week 5 - Heart Failure (CHF)

**Heart Failure** any structural or functional disorder of the heart w/ low CO &/or pulmonary or systemic congestion

**Common Causes**: CAD, HTN, dilated cardiomyopathy, valvular HD

#### Heart as a pump

**Preload** - blood in ventricles at end of diastole right before ven. contract, blood pressure in l. vent. before contraction

**Afterload** - force of contracting heart muscles to eject blood, resistance in systole, **Afterload** created by Arteries

**Contractibility** - ability to contract, increases CO, ATP & Ca+



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### Week 5 - Heart Failure (CHF) (cont)

**Systolic dysfunction** decreased contracting --> decrease EF (less than 40%)

**Manifestations** - increase in preload --> blood accumulates in atria and pulmonary venous system --> pulmonary congestions

**Diastolic dysfunction** - inability for l. ven. to fill during diastole. leads to increased pressure in left atrium --> pulmonary congestion & decrease lung compliance --> CO is decreased bc decreased filling

#### Frank Starling Mechanism

- end result is increased SV - preload (end diastolic volume) increases - cardiac muscle fibres stretch & trigger stronger contraction - increases CV at lower HR

#### Manifestations of CHF

1. impaired pumping 2. decreased renal blood flow 3. sympathetic nervous system

**symptoms** fluid retention, dyspnea, fatigue, cyanosis, malnutrition, arrhythmias

### Week 5 - Heart Failure (CHF) (cont)

#### Acute pulmonary edema

cap. fluid moved into alveoli  
**SEVERE** pulmonary edema due to elevated left ventricular filling pressures *decrease o2 supply to brain, confusion, dyspnea, frothy pink sputum, crackles*

**Treatment** non-pharm: exercise, Na<sup>+</sup> & water restrictions, weight mgmt  
pharm: diuretics, digoxin, ACE inhibitors, beta-blockers  
others - o<sub>2</sub>, cardiac re-synchronization, ventricular assist devices

### Week 8 - Respiratory Conditions Part 2

#### Pneumonia

**TYPICAL:** bacterial infection, inflammation and exudation of fluid into alveoli  
**ATYPICAL:** involves alveolar septum and interstitium of lung, purulent sputum, leukocytosis  
**patho** 1. aspiration 2. release of bacterial endotoxin 3. inflammatory response (neutrophils, fibrinous exudate, RBCs) 4. red hepatization and consol. of lung parenchyma -- leukocyte infiltration -- 5. gray hepatization and depo. of fibrin, phagocytosis of alveoli 6. resolution of infection (macrophages engulf neutro, fibrin and bacteria)

### Week 8 - Respiratory Conditions Part 2 (cont)

#### Acute Bacterial (typical) Pneumonia

1. Pneumococcal pne. or streptococcus pne. - attaches and colonizes to mucosa, delays phagocytosis, acts as antigen  
**onset** malaise, shaking, chills, fever

**initial stage** cough, watery sputum, fine crackles

**progressive** cough with purulent blood tinged sputum, lung pain with breathing

elderly = less likely to have temps (may only have loss of appetite or bad mental status)

2. Pneumococcal Pne. - vehicle transmission, impairs gas exchange, 2-10 days after infection, diarrhea

**manifestations** malaise, weakness, lethargy, fever, dry cough

atypical - lack of lung consolidation and alveolar exudate, less sputum, elevation of WBCs  
mycoplasma pne. common  
bacterial agent in children

### Week 8 - Respiratory Conditions Part 2 (cont)

**TB** - slender rod-shaped bacilli that do not form spores  
**mycobacterium** waxy cell wall and responsible for: slow growth - ability to trigger immune response - rest. for destruction/-antibiotics/lab stains

**patho** inhaled droplet pass down bronchial tree and land in alveoli, bacilli are phag. by alveolar macro but resist killing, initiate cell mediated immune response that contains infection, bacilli multiply, infect macrophages, degrade mycobacteria and present antigens on helper t lymphs.

**INITIAL TB INFECTION** - macro begin cell mediated response, results in granulomatous lesion (GHON FOCUS) containing macro, t cells and inactive TB bacteria

**patho cont** t helper cells stim. macro to increase and kill mycobacteria, when released they damage lung tissue, cytotoxic t cells and macro constitute the cell mediated response that takes 3-6 weeks to become effective

**Ghon Focus:** area where organisms ends up in lungs turn gray granuloma (typically in upper seg. of lower lobes and lower seg. of upper lobes)

**Ghon Complex:** undergoes soft necrosis, caseous granuloma form along lymph channels, later shrinks, becomes fibrous and calcified, visible with chest xray



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### Week 8 - Respiratory Conditions Part 2 (cont)

**primary TB** - previous unexposed pt (inhale) - insidious symptoms: fever, weight loss, fatigue, night sweats abrupt onset: high fever, pleuritis and lymphadenitis

**secondary TB**: reinfection from inhaled droplets or reactivation with dry cough, low grade fever, productive blood tinged sputum

**treatment of TB** - eliminating bacilli in infected pt, preventing spread, antibiotics (INH and rifampin)

### Week 5 - Peripheral Vascular Disease

#### PAD

systemic AS distal to aorta w/ claudication, atrophic changes/t-hinning of skin, weak pedal pulse, ischemia pain, gangrene, ulcers on toes, ankles

#### Diagnostics

- inspection of limbs, palp, pulses, ankle-brachial index, US, MRI, CT, angiography

#### Treatment

- protection of area, walking to point of claudication, avoidance of injury, antiplatelets, surgery

### Week 5 - Peripheral Vascular Disease (cont)

#### PVD

- manifested by venous HTN, causes reflux in veins, prolonged standing increases pressure and dilated vessel wall

**Manifestations** - tissue congestion, edema, necrosis of fat deposits, brown pigmentation, advanced (stasis dermatitis, ulcers ankles uneven)

**Treatments** - compression therapy, dressings, bandages

#### DVT or thrombophlebitis

- presences of thrombus in vein w/ inflammatory response (calf) risk factors: VIRCHOWS TRIAD (blood stasis, hyperactivity of blood coag. vessel wall injury) & increase risk with bad cardiac function

- usually asymptomatic (if not, pain, swelling etc) U/S, tx is prevention, warfarin, IVC filter, complications - pulmonary embolism



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