

# Pathology

-Lec (1 & 2)



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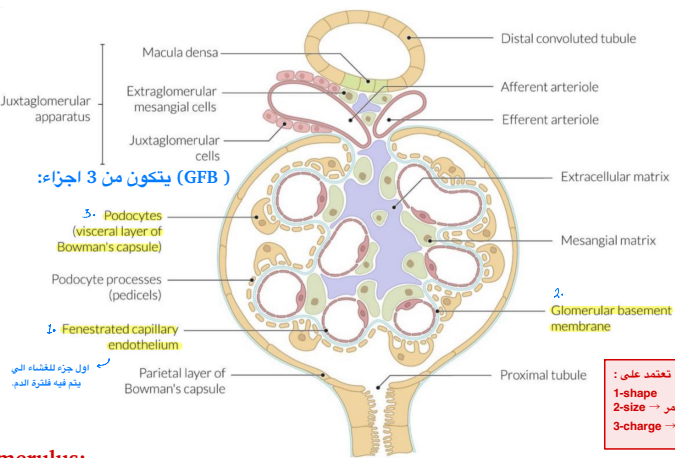
Renal Diseases



(Diseases of the kidney)

- **Kidneys** carry out many functions that require a high degree of structural complexity.
- **Renal diseases** are responsible for a great deal of morbidity & mortality.
- Four basic morphologic components: glomeruli, tubules, interstitium, blood vessels.

توضيح :



-The **glomerulus**: anastomosing network of capillaries invested by two layers of epithelium:  
1-**The visceral epithelium** (composed of podocytes) is part of the capillary wall.  
2-**the parietal epithelium** encircles Bowman space (urinary space), the cavity in which filtrate of plasma collects.

Important Terminology:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Azotemia:</b> (without clinical manifestations)<br/><div>↑ blood urea nitrogen<br/>creatinine levels      ↓ glomerular filtration rate</div></li></ul>                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Uremia:</b> (clinical manifestations &amp; systemic biochemical abnormalities)<br/>-Failure of renal excretory function + metabolic &amp; endocrine alterations<br/>↑ blood urea nitrogen ← كلاهما (Azotemia &amp; Uremia)</li></ul> |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Urinary tract infection (UTI):</b><br/>-<b>bacteriuria &amp; pyuria</b> (bacteria and leukocytes in the urine).<br/>-Symptomatic or asymptomatic.<br/>-Affect the kidney (pyelonephritis) or the bladder (cystitis) only.</li></ul> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Nephrolithiasis:</b><br/>-<b>formation of stones</b> in the collecting system.<br/>-Manifested by renal colic &amp; hematuria.</li></ul>                                                                                             |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Acute kidney injury:</b><br/>-<b>abrupt onset</b> of renal dysfunction<br/>(<b>acute increase</b> in serum creatinine)<br/>often ass/w oliguria or anuria</li></ul>                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Chronic kidney disease:</b><br/>-<b>progressive scarring</b> in the kidney of any cause<br/>-Metabolic &amp; electrolyte abnormalities<br/>-asymptomatic until the most advanced stages<br/>→ symptoms of uremia develop</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>End-stage renal disease (ESRD):</b><br/>-is <b>irreversible loss</b> of renal function<br/>requiring → <b>dialysis or transplantation</b><br/>due to severe progressive scarring in the kidney</li></ul>                             |  |

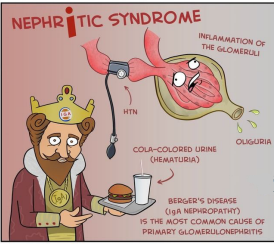
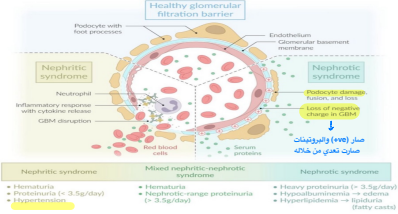
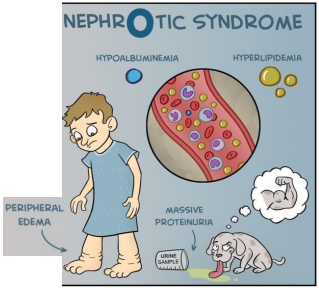
\*The two most common syndromes associated with glomerular diseases :

| Nephrotic syndrome                                                                                                               | Nephritic syndrome                                                                                                                                       |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Massive</b> Proteinuria<br/>daily protein loss in the urine of = &gt; 3.5 g</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proteinuria (sub nephrotic range) with or <b>without edema</b></li></ul>                                         |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hypoalbuminemia<br/>with plasma albumin &lt; 3 g/dL</li></ul>                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hematuria (red cells &amp; red cell casts in urine)</li></ul>                                                    |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Generalized <b>edema</b><br/>the most obvious clinical manifestation</li></ul>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Azotemia:<br/><div>↑ blood urea nitrogen<br/>creatinine levels      ↓ glomerular filtration rate</div></li></ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hyperlipidemia and lipiduria</li></ul>                                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hypertension</li></ul>                                                                                           |



- **Primary:** kidney is the only or predominant organ.
- **Secondary:** Injured in the course of a systemic diseases.  
مثلاً عنده SLE واثّر على kidney

- are major problems in nephrology
- Chronic glomerulonephritis** is one of the most common causes of chronic kidney disease
- Immune mechanisms:** (most types of primary diseases & many of the secondary)  
1-Deposition of circulating antigen-antibody complexes in the glomerular capillary wall or mesangium.  
2-Antibodies reacting in situ within the glomerulus, either with fixed (intrinsic) glomerular antigens or with extrinsic molecules that are planted in the glomerulus.



## Mnemonic

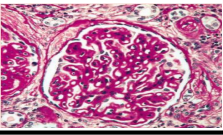
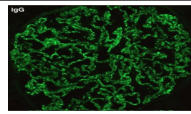
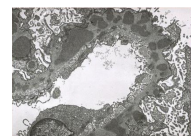
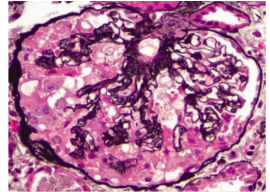


"PALE"  
 massive Proteinuria  
 hypoAlbuminemia  
 hyperLipidemia  
 Edeema

# Nephrotic syndrome

In children → associated with primary kidney lesion

In adult → associated with systemic disease (2ry)  
 (diabetes, amyloidosis, SLE) ↻

|                   | Minimal-Change Disease (MCD)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Focal segmental glomerulosclerosis (FSGS)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Membranous Nephropathy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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|                   | -benign disorder<br><b>-most common in children (at 1-7 years of age)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | sclerosis of some (but not all) glomeruli<br>involves only a part of each affected glomerulus<br><b>-highest prevalence in adults</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | -Antibodies reacting in situ to <span style="font-size: 2em;">}</span> <span style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;">endogenous antigens<br/>planted glomerular antigens</span><br><b>-most common in older adult</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Pathogenesis      | -T-cell dysfunction → release factors that damage podocytes & efface foot processes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | -Injury to podocytes → entrapment of plasma proteins & lipids in foci of injury → Hyaline deposition in the glomeruli → sclerosis                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | -Chronic immune complex glomerulonephritis.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Clinical symptoms | -abrupt nephrotic syndrome in an otherwise healthy child<br>-No hypertension, & renal function is often preserved<br><b>selective proteinuria</b><br><div style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 2px; margin-top: 5px;">             With long-standing or heavy proteinuria →<br/>             ↓ serum albumin → hypoalbuminemia → a drop in<br/>             plasma colloid osmotic pressure →<br/>             leakage of fluid from the blood into extravascular spaces.           </div>  | -Hematuria<br>-Hypertension<br><b>proteinuria is nonselective</b><br><b>• primary (idiopathic) or secondary</b><br>(HIV infection (5-10% of HIV patients), Heroin abuse, other forms of GN ( IgA nephropathy), nephron loss.)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Sudden onset full-blown nephrotic syndrome<br><b>proteinuria is nonselective</b><br><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <b>• Primary ( idiopathic):</b><br/>             -75% of cases<br/>             -Antibodies against the podocyte antigen phospholipase A2 receptor (PLA2R)           </div> <div> <b>• Secondary:(should always be ruled out)</b><br/>             -Infections: chronic HBV, malaria, syphilis<br/>             -Autoimmune diseases: particularly SLE<br/>             -Malignancies: Ca. of lung &amp; colon, melanoma<br/>             -Exposure to inorganic salts (gold, mercury)<br/>             -Drugs (penicillamine, captopril, NSAIDs)           </div> </div> |
| (LM)              | Normal glomeruli                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>Sclerosis</b> in some glomeruli not all of them & in a segment not all of the affected glomerulus                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | The main histologic feature is <b>diffuse</b> thickening of the capillary wall (GBM) on routine H&E stains.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| (IF)              | negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | negative or nonspecific trapping of immunoglobulins                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>granular deposits</b> contain both immunoglobulins & complement.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| (EM)              | The only obvious glomerular abnormality is the diffuse <b>effacement of the foot processes</b> of the podocytes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | as in minimal-change disease                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>subepithelial deposits</b> (spike & dome pattern)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| silver stain      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>(black)</b> of the GBM → appears with characteristics spikes (projections in capillary loops)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Prognosis         | <b>The response to corticosteroid therapy is excellent</b><br>> 90% of children respond to a short course of corticosteroid therapy.<br>Adults with also respond to steroid therapy, but slower & relapses are more common.<br>Less than 5% develop chronic kidney disease after 25 years.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>The response to corticosteroid therapy is poor</b><br>50% develop renal failure in 10 years<br><div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; margin-top: 5px;"> <b>• Collapsing glomerulopathy- FSGS</b> </div> morphologic variant:<br>-Collapse glomerular tuft & epithelial cell hyperplasia.<br>-severe form with worse prognosis.<br>-Can be: idiopathic, ass/with HIV infection, or drug-induced toxicities.  | <b>-fails to respond to corticosteroid therapy</b><br><b>• Variable prognosis:</b><br>➤ Proteinuria persists in > 60% of patients<br>➤ ~ 40% progress to renal failure over 2 to 20 years.<br>➤ 10-30% benign course → partial or complete remission of proteinuria.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

# Nephritic syndrome

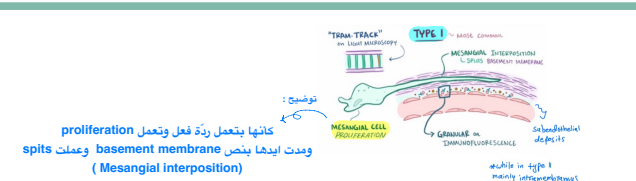
- inflammation in the glomeruli → injury in capillaries → permeable to RBCs → **hematuria** & other contents
- proliferation of the cells in glomeruli
- leukocytic infiltrate
- ↓ GFR → augmented Renin/aldosterone (fluid retention & ↑↑ plasma volume) → **Hypertension**

## Membrano-proliferative Glomerulonephritis (MPGN)

-pattern of **immune mediated injury** rather than a specific disease.  
(Alterations in the GBM & mesangium & proliferation of glomerular cells).

-Mixed Glomerulonephritis

begin as acute nephritis or as mild proteinuria  $\xrightarrow{50\% \text{ of cases}}$  nephrotic syndrome

| MPGN type I<br>Subendothelial deposits                                                                                                                                                                | Dense Deposit Disease (MPGN type 2)<br>intramembranous deposits                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| 80% of cases (MC type)                                                                                                                                                                                | Less common                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Immune complex activates both <b>classical &amp; alternative</b> complement pathways.<br><br>The antigens Mostly are proteins derived from infectious agents e.g., <b>hepatitis C &amp; B viruses</b> | <b>Excessive complement activation.</b><br><br>• Complement dysregulation<br>• <b>C3 nephritic factor</b> (Autoantibody) $\xrightarrow{\text{against}}$ C3 convertase                                                                                                                                           |
| (either planted antigens or preformed immune complexes deposited from the circulation)                                                                                                                | • Ab It stabilizes the enzyme → <b>uncontrolled cleavage of C3 &amp; activation of the alternative complement pathway</b>                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>On IF:</b><br><br><b>C3</b> is deposited in an irregular granular patterns <b>IgG</b> and ( <b>C1q &amp; C4</b> )                                                                                  | <b>On IF:</b><br><br><b>Only C3</b> is present in irregular foci in the GBM (not within the dense deposits)                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>EM</b><br><br>Marked thickening of the glomerular capillary wall by immune deposits by <b>interposition of mesangial cell processes</b>                                                            | <b>EM</b><br><br>dense homogeneous deposits within the basement membrane. <b>Ribbon-like appearance</b> of subendothelial & <b>intramembranous material</b>                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>LM</b><br><br><b>double contour or "tram track" appearance</b> , especially evident with use of silver                                                                                             | <br>proliferation of mesangial cells and splitting of basement membrane (Mesangial interposition)<br>كثافتها بتعمل ردة فعل وتعمل proliferation<br>ومدت ايدها بنحس basement membrane وبعملت splits (Mesangial interposition) |

The prognosis generally is **poor** (No complete remission)

40% (progressed to renal failure)  $\xrightarrow{60\%}$  30% (renal insufficiency) 30% had persistent nephrotic syndrome without renal failure

## Acute Postinfectious (Poststreptococcal) Glomerulonephritis

Subepithelial deposits

-Glomerular deposition of **immune complexes** (containing streptococcal antigens & specific antibodies)

activate complement system

proliferation of & damage to glomerular cells

infiltration of leukocytes (**esp. neutrophils**)

-initial infection in pharynx or skin

Classic pattern/most common → poststreptococcal GN  
but  $\rightarrow$  ass/w other organisms; viral or bacterial

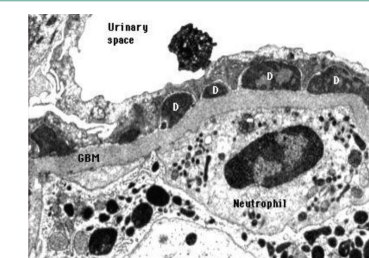
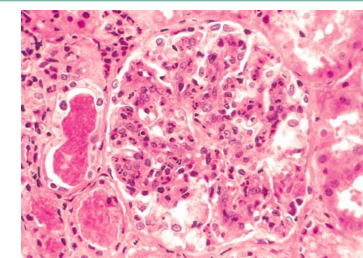
Typical history :

child 1-4 weeks after he/she recovers from a group A streptococcal infection.

- **clinically:**

- Most commonly present as acute nephritic syndrome.
- Fever, nausea, gross hematuria, & mild proteinuria.
- **Serum complement levels are low during the active phase of the disease.**
- **Serum anti-streptolysin O antibody titers are elevated in poststreptococcal cases.**
- Recovery occurs in most children with poststreptococcal disease.

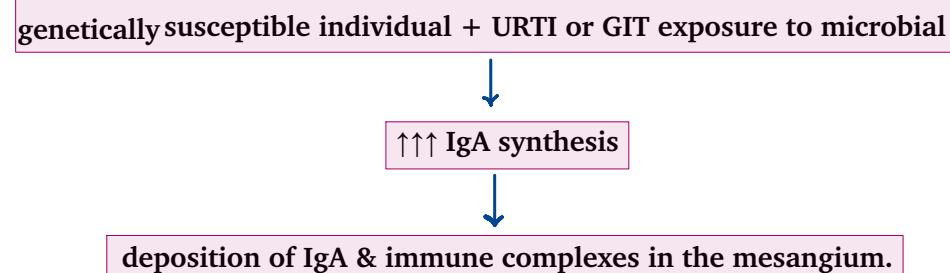
| LM                                                                                                                                                                          | EM                                                                            | IF                                                                                    |
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| increased cellularity of all glomeruli → caused by:<br>(1) proliferation & swelling of endothelial & mesangial cells<br>(2) by infiltrating <b>neutrophils</b> & monocytes. | <b>subepithelial "humps"</b> (on the epithelial side of GBM) (Without spikes) | scattered <b>granular deposits of IgG &amp; complement</b> within the capillary walls |



## IgA Nephropathy (Berger Disease)

Not IgM or IgG

### pathogenesis



### characteristics

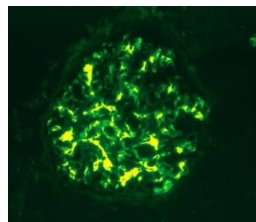
- children & young adults (20-30 years old) (Acute Postinfectious) (كانت (5-15 years old))
- most common causes of recurrent microscopic or gross hematuria (chronic).
- An episode of gross hematuria (within 1-2 days of a nonspecific URTI) lasts days & subsides, but it recurs periodically (1-4 weeks) كانت Acute Postinfectious
- Similar IgA deposits are present in a systemic disorder of children, Henoch Schonlein purpura. (vasculitis انواع واحد IgA يترسب في B.V. بأغلب أماكن الجسم ويعمل Extrarenal manifestation+ IgA Nephropathy)
- Renal manifestations occur in one third of patients. (same deposition pattern as IgA nephropathy)

### LM

-Different findings but whatever the histologic lesions

### IF

-the pathognomonic feature → is the deposition of IgA and C3, in the mesangial region. (diagnostic)



### Mnemonic

IgA in mesAngium

## Rapidly Progressive (Crescentic) Glomerulonephritis

presence of crescents (crescentic GN)

Formed by:

proliferation of epithelial cells

migration of monocytes/ macrophages into Bowman's space in response to injury

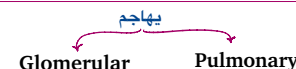


-Associated with number of diseases:

- Anti-GBM antibody-mediated crescentic GN (Goodpasture disease)
- Any of the immune complex nephritides
- Pauci-immune RPGN Serum ANCA

### RPGN –Goodpasture disease :

- anti-GBM antibodies bind to pulmonary alveolar capillary BM to produce the clinical picture of pulmonary hemorrhages ass/w renal failure → Goodpasture syndrome.



-Anti-GBM Abs are in the serum → Diagnosis.

-It is important to recognize Goodpasture disease

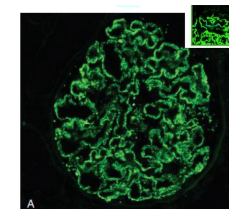
→ benefit from plasmapheresis

→ removes pathogenic antibodies from the circulation.

-Collapsed glomerular tufts and crescent-shaped mass of proliferating parietal epithelial cells & leukocytes internal to Bowman capsule

(Goodpasture disease)

linear deposits of IgG in GBM



## Hereditary Nephritis (Alport Syndrome)

Mutation of any one of the α chains

defective heterotrimer assembly

manifestations of Alport syndrome

-a group of heterogeneous familial renal diseases ass/ w mutations in collagen genes & manifest primarily with glomerular injury

-Inherited as an X-linked trait in ~ 85% of cases

GBM is composed of type IV collagen heterotrimers of α3, α4, & α5 type IV collagen is crucial for function of the lens, cochlea, & glomerulus

Alport Syndrome (Classic triad)

lens dislocation, corneal dystrophy, posterior cataracts → various eye disorders

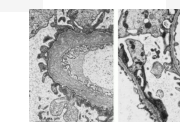
nephritis

sensorineural deafness

### EM

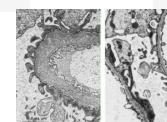
Early

GBM is thin & attenuated



Later

develops irregular foci of thickening, splitting and lamination, "basket-weave" appearance



Alport (Classic triad)

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