

lec 1 : polycythemia.

Def: ↑ in total RBC mass

types: 1° ⇒ polycythemia vera / autonomous, splenomegaly, ↓ Erythropoietin, ↑ B.M. produc.
 2° ⇒ ↑ hypoxia → ↑ erythropoietin → ↑ Erythropoiesis

- Relative polycythemia ⇒ secondary to ↓ plasma volume.

- absolute polycythemia ⇒ secondary to ↑ B.M. produc. (true ↑ in RBC mass)

① VERA

- 1) Mutation ⇒ TK-JAK2 ⇒ ^{always} active
- 2) less dependent on growth fac.
- 3) acts on signaling pathways
→ Receptor of erythropoietin
→ GF Receptor
- 4) panmyelocytosis (mainly Erythrocytes)
- 5) myeloproliferative neoplasm.

- 2°
- 1) no spleno megalaly.
 - 2) athlete ⇒ surreptitious.
 - 3) adaptive ⇒ many reasons.
 - 4) Alcohol ⇒ ↑ urination, ↓ respiration.
 - 5) smoking
 - 6) paraneoplastic (liver cancer, renal) ⇒ no hypoxia.
 - 7) ↑ Erythropoietin ⇒ eggs

- Symptoms:

general:

- 1) cyanosis, plethora
- 2) Headache + dizziness (hypertension).
- 3) ↑ viscosity + ↓ circulation ⇒ vision blurred, ischemia, cyanosis.
- 4) bleeding / Thrombosis (problems in vWF).

VERA:

↳ in addition to

- 1) pruritus (aqueagenic)
- 2) peptic ulcer (↑ histamine)
- 3) gout → kidney stones, tophi, arthritis.
- 4) Chronic disease.
- 5) spent phase ⇒ after 10 years
⇒ B.M. is fibrotic ⇒ shift to spleen.
- 6) Blast crisis ⇒ acute myeloid leukemia.

→ Laboratory findings:

general: ↑ RBC count ① ↑ hematocrit ② ↑ Hg concent. ③

VERA: ⇒ ↑ Leukocytosis, ↑ Thrombocytosis.
 ↑ Hypercellular B.M with panmyelocytosis.
 ↓ Erythropoietin.
 ← JAK 2 mutation.

Lec 2: Anemia (general).

- Def: ↓ in oxygen bind capacity 2° to ↓ RBC mass

→ leads to hypoxia.

→ measured by concent. of $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Hb} \\ \text{Hematocrit} \end{array} \right.$

- Anemia ↑ Erythropoietin → causes Erythroid Hyperplasia in B.M.
(except in renal failure or chronic inflammation)

- if acute → prod. of Epo ↑ 5x

- in sever cases → extramedullary Erythropoiesis.

Classification:

1) cause

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Blood loss

a) acute

- symptoms → ↓ intravas. volume.

* if > 20% lost → hypovolemic shock, death.

* if < 20% → interstitial fluid → intravascular (causes dilutional anemia) → (2-3) days.
→ (5-7 days) ↑ Erythropoietin.

- bleeding → internal → reuse of iron ✓

↳ External → ↓ iron, ↑ complications.

* Morphology → normochromic, normocytic with reticulocytosis

b) Chronic: $\frac{\text{rate RBC loss}}{\text{rate of produc}} > 1$

- mostly → GI, menstruation

- leads to iron deficiency anemia

- Morphology → hypochromic, microcytic, ↓ reticulocytosis.

②

↓ RBC product.

③

↑ Destruction.
(hemolytic anemia).

Clinical features:

→ Headache, dizziness, fatigue, pallor

→ Adaptive: 1) Tachycardia

2) Tachypnea.

3) ↑ 2,3 bisphosphoglycerate

② Morphology:

- size, color, shape.

- hypochromic → ↓ Hg

- macrocytic → stem cell disease + maturation

Symptoms → special types:

1) Chronic hemolytic anemia

→ ↑ bilirubin leads to: jaundice, gallbladder stones
↳ black red urin.

2) Extramedullary

→ splenomegaly, hepatomegaly

3) Thalassemia major + sickle cell.

→ growth retardation.

→ bone deformity.

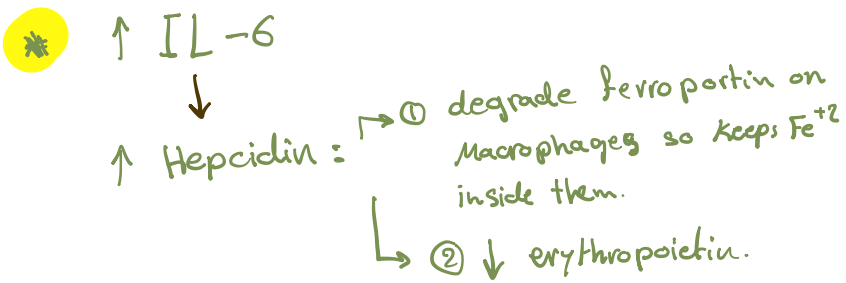
→ 2° hemochromatosis → (damage → heart, Endo. glands.)

lec 3 : Anemia of low production.

→ general causes : nutritional deficiency, chronic inflammation, B.M failure.

2) Anemia of inflammation/chronic disease

- hospitalized pts, cancer, chronic infec. immune disease.



* Lab. Findings.

- 1) normal RBCs then hypochromic microcytic.
- 2) ↓ Reticulocytes, ↓ iron in serum
- 3) B.M iron stores ↑
- 4) ↑ serum Ferritin. ⇒ cause it's an acute phase reactant.

1) Iron def. Anemia → most common type.
→ 10% developed coun-try
25-50% developing c.

[about the disease]

[About Iron]

* stored in: a) Ferritin (soluble) in B.M

b) hemosiderin (insoluble) Liver spleen.
↳ 15% - 20%.
↳ granular, large iron, intracellular particle
↳ light microscope ✓.

* transmitted by ⇒ transferrin.
↳ 1/3 of it are saturated.
synthesized in Liver.

* Indicators: ser. Iron level ↓
ser. Ferritin level ↓

Iron bind. capacity ↑

↳ B.M aspirate (earliest change)
↳ per's prussian Blue ↓

↓ Reticulocyte by count. C.Hr

↓ MRV as Mean Reticulocyte vol%

3] MEGALOBlastic Anemia.

1) cause \Rightarrow B12 or/ & Folate deficiency.

- Both are required for the synthesis of Thymidine (DNA)

- problems in maturation & division.
 \rightarrow may lead to apoptosis inside B.M.

Folate

\Rightarrow in green veg, destroyed in cook.
 \Rightarrow minimal amount stored in body.

* Deficiency:

\downarrow Diet.
 \uparrow Demand. (pregnancy, Chron. hemolytic anemia)
 Methotrexate. (inhibit meta. + cell. usage)

alcohol, intestinal disease, phyndoin-, Beans.
 Legume, phyndoin. (inhibit absorb.)

B-12

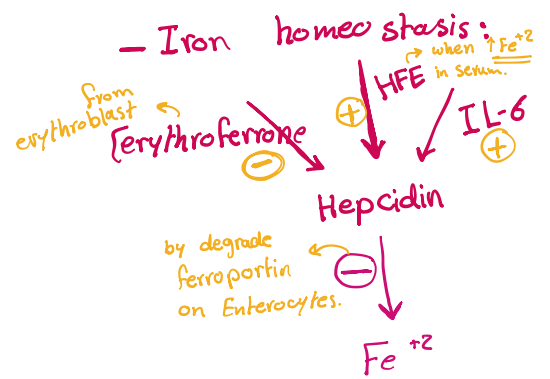
- \Rightarrow animal products
- \Rightarrow Bacteria in bowel.
- \Rightarrow Resist cook.
- \Rightarrow stored in liver.

* Deficiency:

- 1) Diet (vegeterians)
- 2) Defective absorption \Rightarrow most common.
- 3) gastrectomy
- 4) Elderly \Rightarrow \downarrow pepsin \rightarrow \downarrow absorption from food.
- 5) \downarrow small bowel.
- 6) Metformin (سفر))

7) Pernicious Anemia

[causes vit. B-12 def. + megaloblastic anemia]
 in which T cell & B cells attack Parietal cells, thus prevent B-12 from binding and absorption.
 have the \leftarrow intrinsic factor



* \rightarrow Low hepcidin \Rightarrow Iron deficiency.



- * Causes:
- 1) chronic blood loss
 - 2) Diet / 3) \uparrow Demand
 - 4) Hypotransferrinemia
 - 5) Enzymatic deficiency.
 - 6) \downarrow Absorption.

- * Symptoms:
- 1) General sym. of Anemia
 - 2) Restless leg syndrome
 - 3) Hair loss / 5) Blue sclera
 - 4) spooning finger nails.
 - 6) Glossitis / stomatitis.
 - 7) Cognitive impairment.
 - 8) pica / 9) weak immunity.
 - 10) Chronic anemia.

- * Morphology:
- 1) poikilocytosis
 - 2) target cell \odot
 - 3) hypochromia
 - 4) microcytic.
 - 5) \downarrow Reticulocytes.
 - 6) \uparrow Erythropoietin not effective \leftarrow
 - 7) Thrombocytosis. shift \rightarrow

* \Rightarrow not excreted rather it sheds from skin or mucosa.

hem \rightarrow red meat 20%
 non-hem \rightarrow vegetable 1%

4) Aplastic Anemia:

- damage to multipotent stem cell
- hematopoietic stem cells are depleted.
- leads to pancytopenia
- all age groups.

* pathogenesis:

→ Extrinsic:

- 1) Ag cross reactiv., T cell attack stem cells. Evidence: imm. sup. drugs restore B.M. in 70% of cases.
- 2) drugs ⇒ chloramphenicol, gold injec. pregnancy, NSAIDs, hepatitis V.
- 3) Mostly idiopathic.

→ intrinsic:

- * 10% have telomerase defect, which leads to early death of stem cells.
- * genetic. altered stem c. attract T cell

* Lab. Find.:

- blood: pancytopenia, normochromic, macrocytic.
- B.M.: ↑ fat, ↓ stem cells.

* special types of B.M failure.

→ Fanconi's Anemia:

- 1) rare
- 2) inherited
- 3) defect in DNA repair protein
- 4) early in life → Aplastic Anemia → acute leukemia

→ Pure Red cell Aplasia:

- 1) Absence of Erythroid cell. in B.M
- 2) → inherited: Diamond-Blackfan → Acquired: autoimmune parvovirus. B 19

* Functions of B-12 (rather than DNA):

- synthesis:
- 1) myelin sheath
 - 2) neurotransmitters (epi., norepi.)
 - 3) destruction of homocystien → Toxic to neurons.
 - 4) Recycling of tetra hydro folate ← يساعد انزيم الصفير

* there is no relation btw. the degree of neuronal damage with the degree of Anemia.

* Morphology: Macrocytocyte ^{بقرية كبيرة}

it takes longer time to mature.

- ## * Symptoms:
- 1) general
 - 2) Glossitis (beefy tongue)
 - 3) Mild jaundice.
 - 4) severe: pancytopenia.

⇒ B-12 Deficie.

- 1) posterolateral spinal cord columns degenerate → loss of proprioception, paresthesia.
- 2) nephropathy ^{تلف الكلى}
- 3) neuropsychotic ... ^{تفكير}

5) Anemia of renal disease:

- ↓ EPO ⇒ ↓ RBC produc. ⇒ ↓ retic. count
- X correlate with kidney func. [serum creatinine]
- pts with uremia → bleeding (platelet func?) → echinocytes (Burr cells) ^{الهياوان الكرز}

6) Anemia of Liver Disease:

- 1) Multi. fact.
 - 2) ↓ clotting factors ⇒ bleeding varices.
 - 3) ↓ transferrin synth.
 - 4) acanthocyte (spur cell)
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7) of hypothyroidism:-

* Thyroid H. ⇒ ↑ Erythropoiesis
↳ ↑ EPO

* normochromic, macrocytic.

8) Myelodysplastic Anemia:

- 1) acquired neoplastic, mutation in stem cells.
- 2) old age
- 3) prolonged survival + defect. maturation, cells stay in B.M.
- 4) refractory
- 5) macrocytic
- 6) neutropenia, Thrombocytopenia.

lec 4 : Hemolytic Anemia

* Pathophysiology: hypoxia \Rightarrow \uparrow EP \Rightarrow \uparrow erythropoiesis (extramedullary in severe cases).

\uparrow Retic. / hemoglobin is released from damaged RBC.

\downarrow haptoglobin (cause it becomes bound), erythroid hyperplasia in B.M.

* Classification: ① \Rightarrow Extravascular \Rightarrow in spleen by Macrophages.
* site. \Rightarrow jaundice, splenomegaly, pigmented gallbladder stones.

② \Rightarrow intravascular (inside Blood stream) \Rightarrow sudden Hg release, hemoglobinuria, hemosiderinuria, iron deficiency, hemoglobinemia.

* cause: \Rightarrow extracapsular (extrinsic factors), intracapsular.

\Rightarrow causes of hemolytic Anemia:

1) G6PD Deficiency: [Trigger induced.]

* X-linked inherited

* G6PD \Rightarrow glutathion \Rightarrow protects against oxidants.

* Triggers: 1- infections, 2- drugs: sulfonamides, primaquine, \uparrow dose of aspirine, nitrofurantoin.
3- Fava beans.

* Oxidants \Rightarrow Hg denatures \Rightarrow Heinz bodies \Rightarrow RBC ^{\rightarrow their membrane} destruc. by spleen. (2-3 days after trigger).

* Morphology \Rightarrow Bite Bodies. (indented defect in C.M.).

* supravital special stain: Heinz bodies \Rightarrow dark spots attached to C.M. (condensed denatured).

→ acquired.

2) Immune hemolytic anemia:

* Ab → RBC cell membrane proteins. ⇒ detected by coombs test:

→ Direct coombs test: antibodies against auto-Ab.

→ indirect = : RBC surface proteins in serum.

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* 2 types:

1) Warm type.

- IgG Ab.

- 37°C

* Mechanism: IgG binds RBC. ⇒

⇒ Macrophage bind Fc portion of IgG thus "تلتصق"

⇒ RBC becomes spherocyte (changes its structure after انفصت)

⇒ destroyed by spleen.

* Causes:

- 60% idiopathic, - 25% SLE,

15% drugs: (α-methyl dopa, penicillin).

* variable severity.

* small round hyperchromatic spherocytes.

3) Hereditary spherocytosis:

- Autosomal Dominant, sometimes recessive.

- mutation in RBC cell membrane skeleton.

- mostly ankyrin, band 3 or spectrin (↓ proteins).

- ↓ surface area, loss of biconcavity, becomes smaller sphere.

- unstable cells, keeping losing parts, little amount of cytoplasm is lost.

- severity is variable, some pts are asymptomatic! ⇒ depend on type of mutation.

* pathogenesis: Entrapped by small vessels in spleen, engulfed by hestocytes so degraded Extravascular.

* corrected by splenectomy. (removal of spleen).

2) Cold type:

- IgM Ab (bind 5 RBCs) → low affinity!

- peripheral blood.

* IgM Ab bind RBC ^{leads to} C3b & C3b from complement system bind to RBCs too as a response ⇒ IgM detach ☹ letting C3b & C3d bound. ⇒ splenic macrophages remove these RBCs.

* Raynaud phenomena: IgM binds 5 RBCs, ⇒ Making agglutination ⇒ blocking small blood capillaries in fingers & toes (تضيق الأوعية الطرفية)

* 2 types:

- transient: (acute) in recovery of infection by: mycoplasma pneumoniae, mononucleosis (mild, self limited).

- chronic: in B-cell lymphoma or idiopathic, persistent.

* normal amount of Hg (normal MCH)

* ↑ MCHC

* ↑ fragility of spherocytes in hypotonic solution (↑ osmotic fragility)

4) ^{sudden} Paroxysmal ^{at night} Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria.

- Rare, acquired

- mutation in B.M stem cells. (all are affected).

- mutation in **PIGA** gene \Rightarrow ↓ PIG protein: structural prot. that anchors many others.

- degradation of RBCs, to lesser extent WBCs & platelets inside blood.

- Thrombosis: when platelets lyse they secrete their content. انسداد

* Mechanism:-

\rightarrow complement sys. attacks RBC creating pores, how? RBCs normally have CD55 & CD59 attached to PIG

\rightarrow During night: $\text{CO}_2 \uparrow$, ↓ Blood pH \Rightarrow ↑ complement sys. activity. \rightarrow more hemolysis.

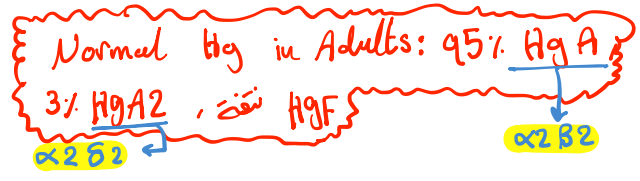
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5) Traumatic hemolysis:-

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Lec 5: Hemoglobinopathies



1) **Thalassemia**: ↓ production of Hg chains $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha \\ \text{or} \\ \beta \end{array} \right.$, ↑ production to the another, results in unpaired chains ⇒ instability & hemolysis.

- inherited, Autosomal recessive.
- resistant to malaria *Palci-parum*.
- ↑ Middle East, South East Asia, Africa.

* Genetics

1) α-chain

- encoded by 2 genes on chromos. 16 = 4 genes. (2 genes على الـ 16)

- mutations ⇒ deletion.

→ < 2 genes ⇒ silent

→ 4 genes ⇒ death (hydrops fetalis)

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→ 3 genes ⇒ Hg-H disease: ↑ HgBarts + HgH +

Extra β-chains → tetramer → Hg-H

Extra γ-chains → Hg Barts

Both have high affinity towards Oxygen.

2) β-chain.

- single gene on chromo-11 ⇒ 2 genes.

- point mutations ⇒ results are unpredictable.

- β = normal / β⁰ = no produc. / β⁺ = ↓ produc.

- types:

1- β / β⁰ ⇒ silent / no symp.

2- β⁺ / β⁺ ⇒ Thalassemia intermedia.

3- β⁰ / β⁺ ⇒ Thalassemia major. [Cooily anemia]

↳ Extra α-chains ⇒ hemolysis of RBC in spleen

+ Erythroid precursors in B.M., why?

α-chain don't form tetramer as β-chains
 . لذلك هم يتحللون في الكبد

[ineffective Erythropoic] ↓

* Morphology: ⇒ hypochromic microcytic anemia, Target cells, Basophilic stippling
 ↳ as in iron defic. anemia. ↳ in any abnormal Hg synth. ↳ [ribosomes]

- in thal. major ⇒ in blood: ↑ poikilocytosis, nucleated RBCs.

2) in B.M.: ↑↑↑↑ Normoblast, hemosiderosis.

cause of repeated transfusion.

* Clinical symptoms:

1) Thal. trait = minor = carrier ⇒ No sympt., premarital test is important, normal life span

2) Thal. intermedia & Hg-H ⇒ moderate symp., no need to blood transfusion regular.

البيتا β-chain

البيتا α-chain

3) Thal. Major \Rightarrow -sympt. start after age of 6 months.

- persist. anemia symp. , - skeletal abnormalities
- growth retardation.

- ameliorated by regular blood transfusion.

- in 2nd & 3rd decades of life \Rightarrow 1) syst. hemochromatosis ^{fatal.} \rightarrow

* Diagnosis:

2) related organ damage.

- Hg electrophoresis test

\rightarrow all β -thal : \uparrow HgA₂ , \uparrow HgF

\rightarrow Thal. Major: X HgA or very low amount.

\rightarrow HgH disease \Rightarrow HgH + Hg Barts

\rightarrow α -thal carrier or minor \Rightarrow no abnormality is found, Genetic test is available ^{بجين في}

2) Sickle Cell Anemia:

- most common familial hemolytic anemia worldwide.

- Africa, African American, Middle East, Saudi Arabia.

- substitution? \Rightarrow glutamic acid \rightarrow valine, in β -chain
_{hydrophilic} \rightarrow _{hydrophobic}

- Autosomal co-dominance: \rightarrow heterozygous: HgS + HgA \rightarrow carrier. $\left. \vphantom{\text{carrier.}} \right\}$ in electrophoresis
 \rightarrow homozygous: only HgS

- Resistant to malaria *Plasmodium*.

* Pathogenesis: deoxy. HgS \rightarrow polymerizes longitudinally \rightarrow distorting cell shape \rightarrow creating sickle shape.

- it's reversible by reoxy., however with repetition RBC becomes sickle shaped perm.

- HgA in carriers + HgF in newborn inhibits HgS polym.

- \uparrow dehydration, \uparrow acidosis, \uparrow [HgS] \Rightarrow \uparrow sickling.

- The presence of α -thalassemia with sickle cell anemia \Rightarrow \downarrow sickling.

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* Longer time to pass through capillaries, removed by macrophages in spleen, Adhere to endothelial cells \Rightarrow thrombus.

* Clinical Features:

\Rightarrow dependent on sickle cell fraction: chronic, moderate-sever

hemolytic anemia \Rightarrow after age of 6 months, worsening by repeated sudden attacks.

\Rightarrow independent on sickle cell fraction: vaso-occlusive crisis \Rightarrow organ infarction, associated with: sys. infection, inflammation, dehydration acidosis.

- Hand-foot syndrome, stroke, myocardial infarction, retinopathy, Autosplenectomy, acute chest syndrome.

- Aplastic crisis \rightarrow infection by parvovirus B19 \rightarrow worsening Anemia \rightarrow self limited.

- \uparrow susceptibility to encapsulated Bac. (pneumococcus, salmonella) ^{after} splenectomy.

\Rightarrow carriers \Rightarrow Asymptomatic.

* Lab. Findings: 1) blood smear: target cells + sickled cells
 \hookrightarrow it's normal in sickle cell trait.

2) in sickling test \Rightarrow adding hypoxic agents تبييض او ميع

3) Hg electrophoresis.

