

# **Diseases of Urinary System**

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# Learning objectives

*By the end of this course; you should know:*

- Common diseases involving kidney and urinary bladder
- Clinical presentation of renal diseases
- Morphology of common renal diseases
- Types of glomerulonephritis and their clinical impact
- Main features of nephritic and nephrotic syndromes
- Growth disordered and **TUMOURS** of the kidney, ureter and urinary bladder.

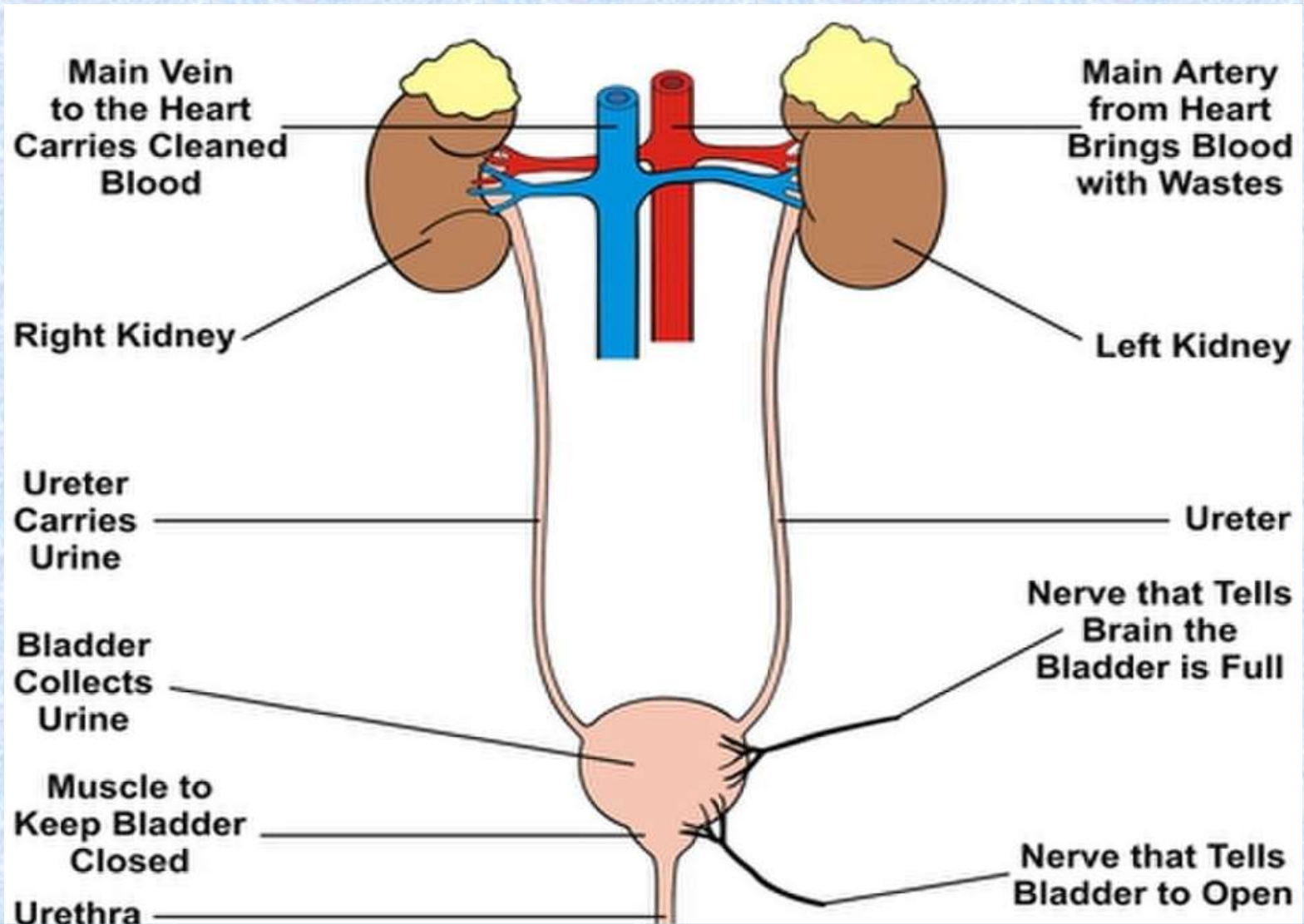
# **Talks outlines**

- **Diseases of the kidney:**
  - Renal anomalies
  - Glomerulonephritis
  - Tubulo-interstitial renal diseases
  - Renal stones
  - Renal tumors
  - Renal failure
  
- **Diseases of the ureter and urinary bladder**
  - Inflammatory diseases
  - Neoplastic lesions

# Renal Diseases

# Renal diseases

## Urinary system





# Renal diseases

## Renal function

**WATER.** Ensures that there's not too much or too little water in the body.

**BLOOD PRESSURE.** Makes sure that pressure isn't too high or too low.

**WASTES.** Gets rid of urea, uric acid, toxins, and other wastes via urine.

**BONES.** Activates vitamin D, which helps the body absorb calcium.



**ACID-BASE BALANCE.** Makes sure that the body isn't too acidic or too alkaline.

**HEART.** Maintains a balance of electrolytes (like potassium, sodium, and calcium), which is critical for heart rhythm.

**BLOOD.** Releases erythropoietin, which tells bone marrow to make red blood cells.

# Renal diseases

## Manifestations of renal diseases

**Renal colic**

**Chronic loin pain**

**Hematuria**

**Pyuria**

**Renal mass**

**and others**

**Microscopic proteinuria**

**Microscopic hematuria**

**Generalized edema**

**Hypertension**

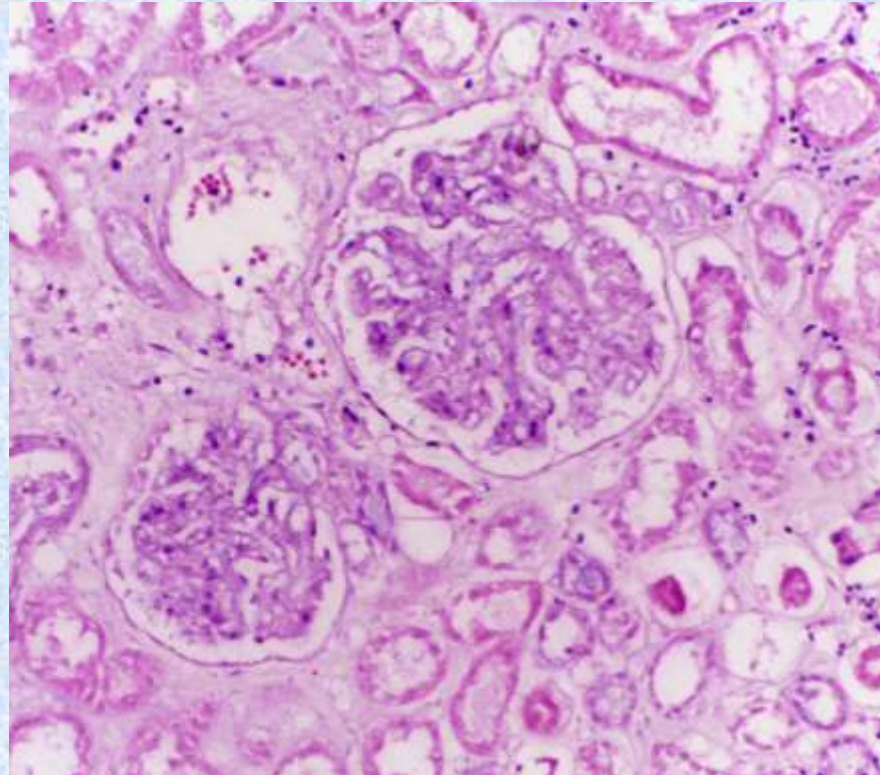
**Anemia**

# Renal diseases

## Main histological components of kidney

### Diseases of kidney may involve:

- Renal glomeruli
- Renal tubules
- Renal interstitium
- Renal vessels



**In chronic conditions; the four elements are involved**



# Renal diseases

## **Congenital kidney diseases**

# Renal diseases

## Congenital kidney diseases

1. Unilateral agenesis
2. Hypoplasia
3. Horseshoe kidney
4. Ectopic kidney
5. Double ureter
6. Ureteric stricture
7. Aberrant renal artery
8. Polycystic kidney

# Renal diseases

## Congenital kidney diseases

### Polycystic kidney

#### Infantile type

- A rare disease
- Autosomal recessive
- Incompatible with life
- Numerous cortical and medullary cysts
- Congenital hepatic cysts and fibrosis

#### Adult type

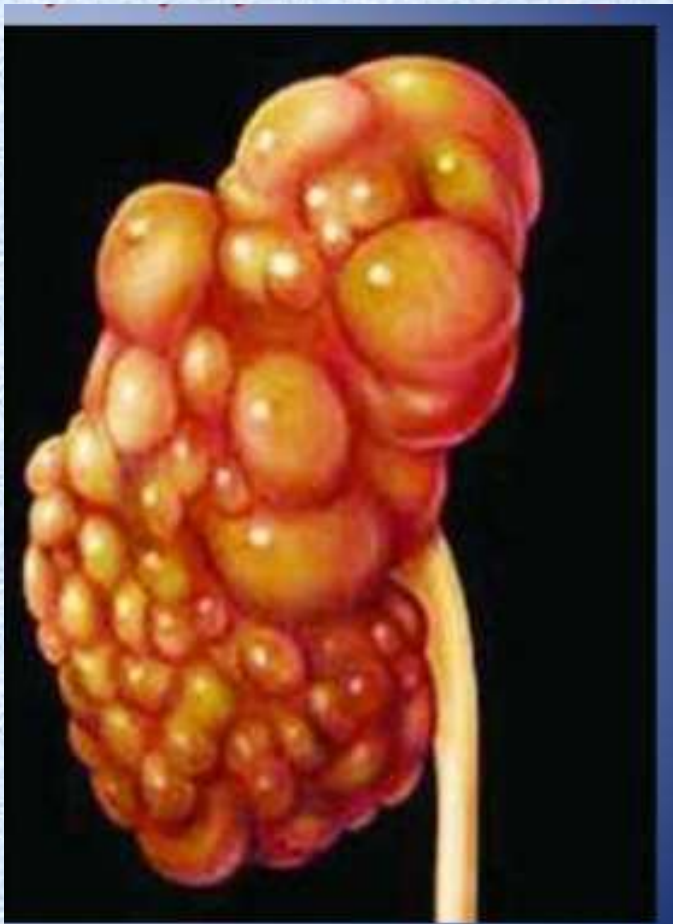
- Autosomal dominant.
- Failure of communication of convoluted/collecting ducts
- Numerous large cysts with smooth lining
- Interstitial compression/fibrosis
- May present with:
  - Renal mass
  - Hematuria
  - Hypertension
  - Seconder infection



# Renal diseases

## Congenital kidney diseases

### Polycystic kidney



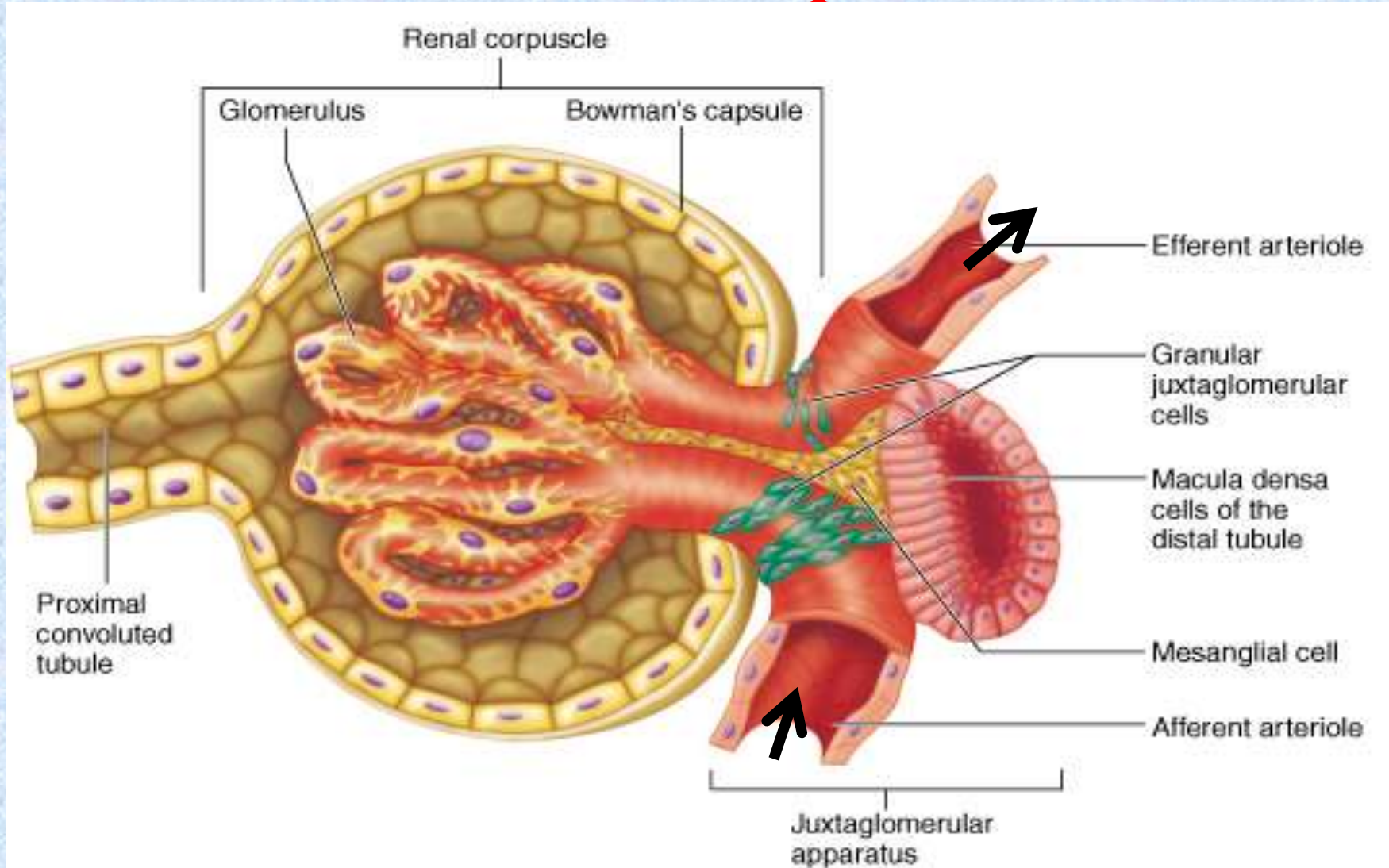


# Renal diseases

## **Glomerulonephritis**

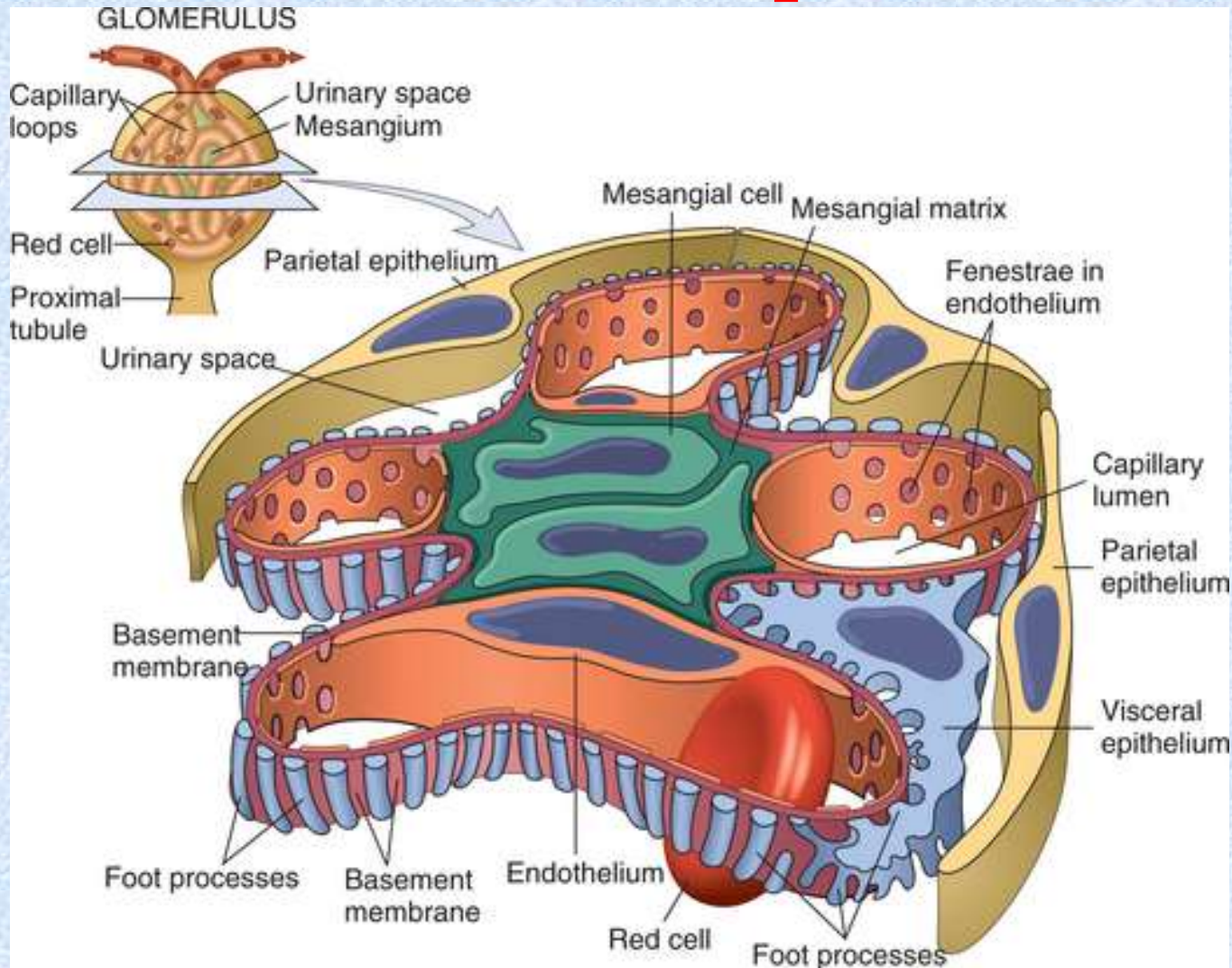
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## Glomerulonephritis

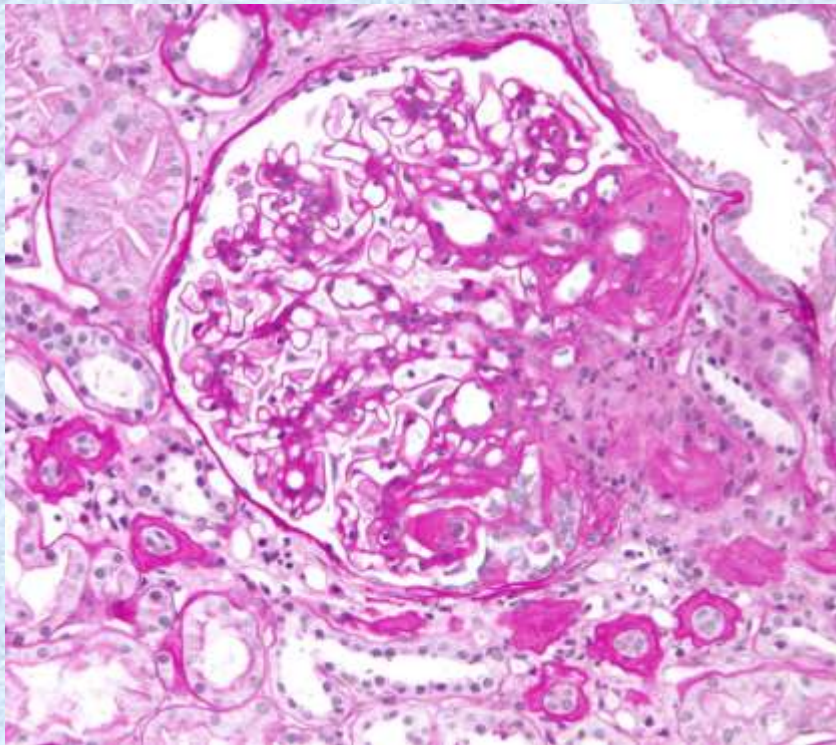
### Pattern of glomerular involvement:

- **Diffuse**: All glomeruli are involved by the disease process.  
It could be:
  - *Global*: involve all glomerular tuft
  - *Segmental*: involve segment of the tuft
  
- **Focal**: Some glomeruli are involved by the diseases and others are normal; it could be
  - *Global*: involve all glomerular tufts
  - *Segmental*: involve segment of the tuft



# Renal diseases

## Glomerulonephritis



**Segmental**



**Global**

# Renal diseases

## Glomerulonephritis

**Pathogenesis of GN:** *usually immune complex mediated*

1. Deposition of circulating immune complexes in glomerular BM: occurs in SLE, post bacterial or post viral infections
2. In situ formation of immune complexes: antibody react with antigen fixed to the glomerular BM: occurs in post-bacterial GN
3. Anti-glomerular basement membrane antibody: formation of antibodies against structure of glomerular BM; occurs in Good pasture syndrome

**The immune complex induces injury of glomerular BM by activation of complement system with release of chemical mediators**

# Renal diseases

## Glomerulonephritis

### Main clinical patterns of GN:

#### Nephritic syndrome

- **Def:** A clinical complex usually with acute onset.
- **Characterized by:**
  1. Hematuria
  2. Oliguria
  3. Hypertension
  4. Nephritic edema

#### Nephrotic syndrome

- **Def:** A clinical complex usually with insidious onset.
- **Characterized by:**
  1. Heavy proteinuria
  2. Hypoproteinemia
  3. Hyperlipidemia
  4. Nephrotic edema



# Renal diseases

## Glomerulonephritis

### Main clinical patterns of GN:

#### Nephritic syndrome

- **Def:** A clinical complex usually with acute onset.
- **Characterized by:**
  - 4. Nephritic edema: mild morning starts around the eyes and resolve along the day

#### Nephrotic syndrome

- **Def:** A clinical complex usually with insidious onset.
- **Characterized by:**
  - 4. Nephrotic edema: prominent, generalized edema starts at the lower limbs and progress gradually



# Renal diseases

## Glomerulonephritis

### Nephritic syndrome

#### ■ Common causes

##### ➤ Primary renal diseases

1. Acute diffuse GN
2. Rapidly progressive GN
3. IgA nephropathy  
(Berger`s disease)

##### ➤ 2ry to systemic diseases

1. SLE
2. Purpura

### Nephrotic syndrome

#### ■ Common causes

##### ➤ Primary renal diseases

1. Membranous GN
2. Membranoproliferative GN
3. Minimal change GN
4. Focal segmental GN

##### ➤ 2ry to systemic diseases

1. Diabetic nephropathy
2. Renal amyloidosis
3. SLE

# Renal diseases

## Glomerulonephritis

Common primary causes of nephritic syndrome

1. Acute diffuse GN

2. Rapidly progressive GN

3. IgA nephropathy (Berger's disease)

# Renal diseases

## Acute post-infectious GN

**Incidence:** Usually affects children and young adults

**Pathogenesis:**

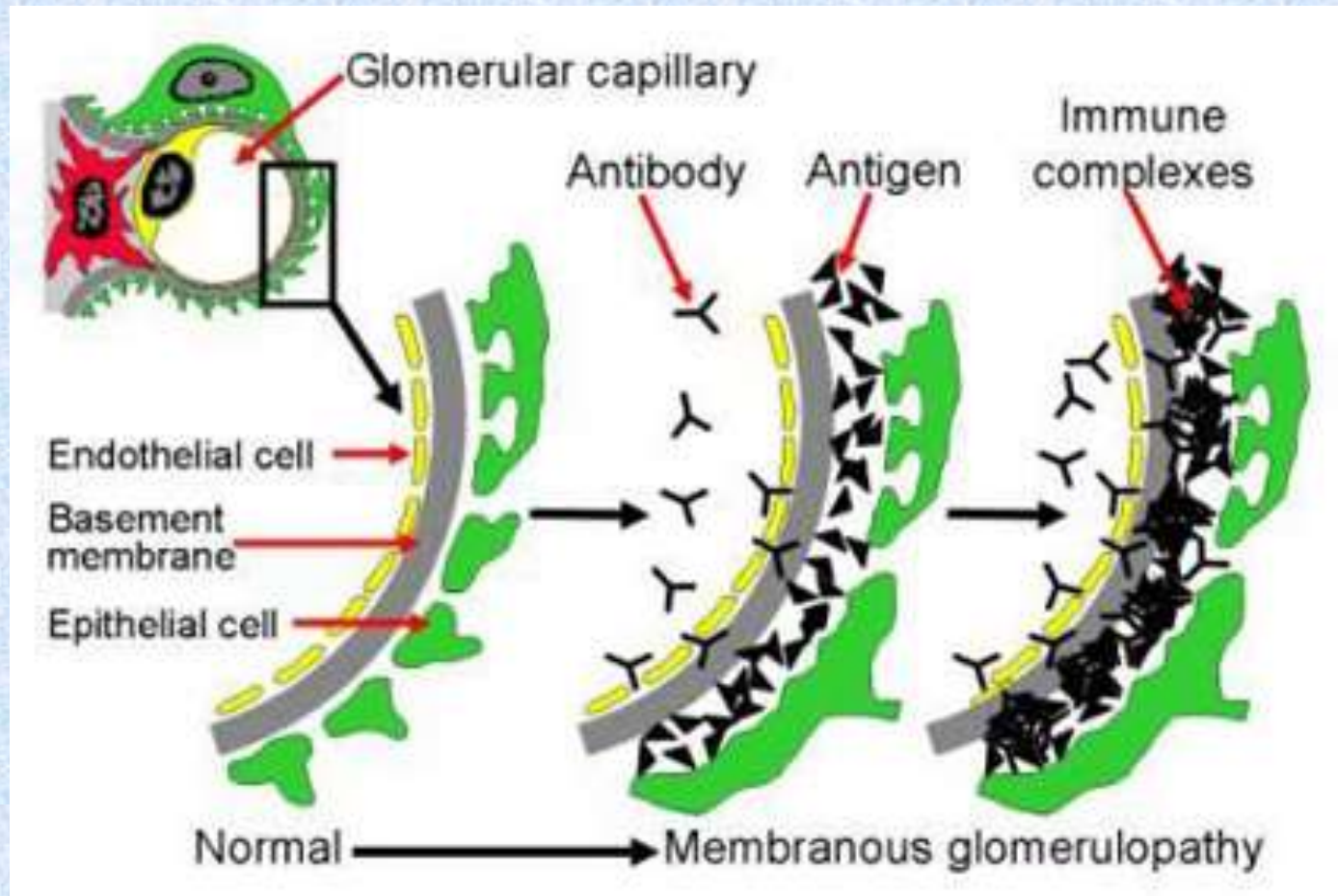
- (1) glomerular trapping of circulating immune complexes and
- (2) in situ immune antigen-antibody complex formation resulting from antibodies reacting with either streptococcal components deposited in the glomerulus

# Renal diseases

## Acute post-infectious GN

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**Pathogenesis:**



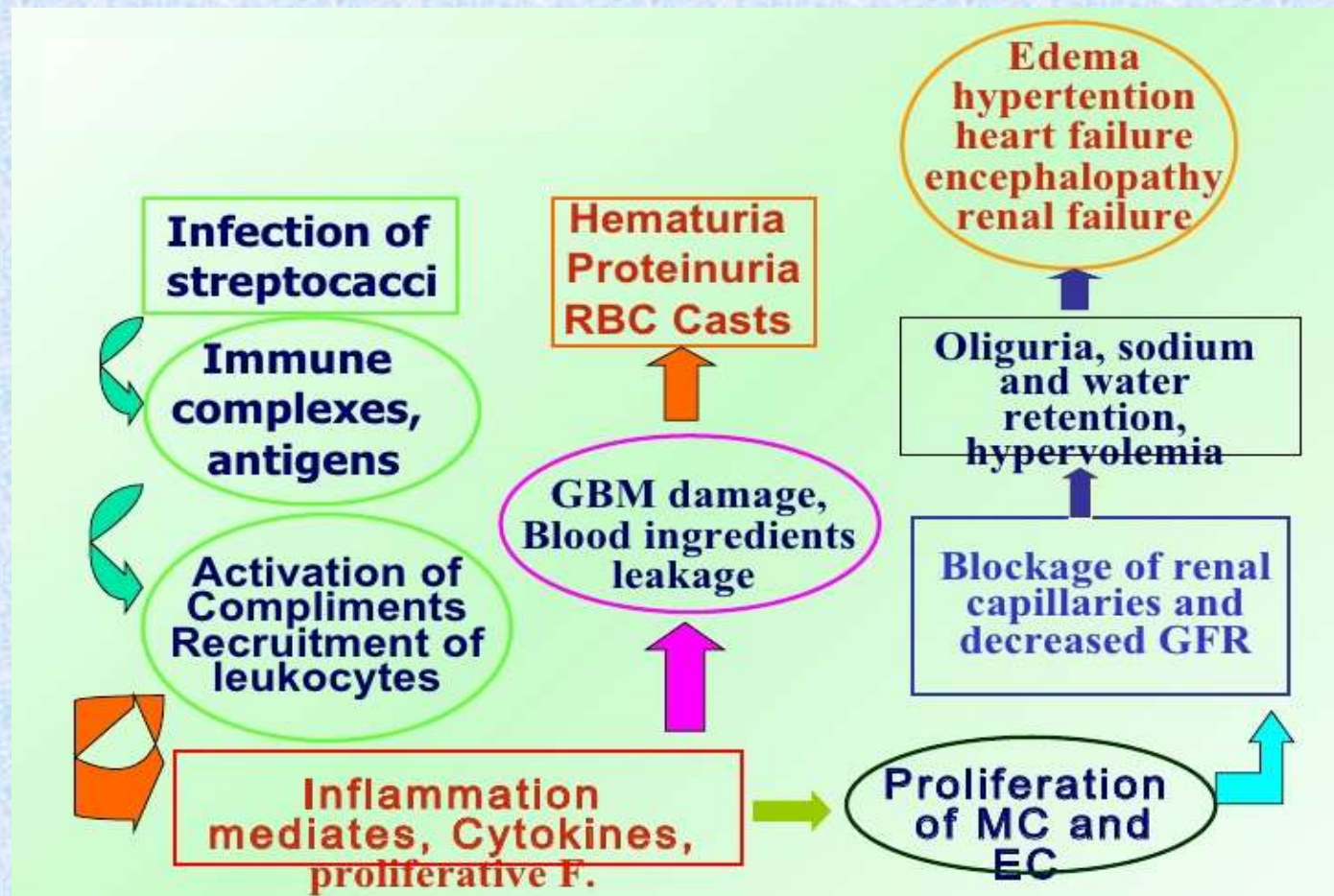


# Renal diseases

## Acute post-infectious GN

**Incidence:** Usually affects children and young adults

### **Pathogenesis:**



# Renal diseases

## Acute post-infectious GN

**Grossly:** The kidneys are slightly enlarged & pale due to edema

### **MP:**

- **Glomeruli**: hyper-cellular due to proliferation of epithelial, endothelial and mesangial cells and infiltration by neutrophils
- **Tubules**: cloudy swelling of lining cells and RBCs cast of the lumen
- **Blood vessels**: NO significant changes
- **Interstitial tissue**: infiltration by neutrophils
- **EM**: sub-epithelial deposition of Humps of immune complex
- **Immunofluorescence**: demonstrate IgG and complement elements

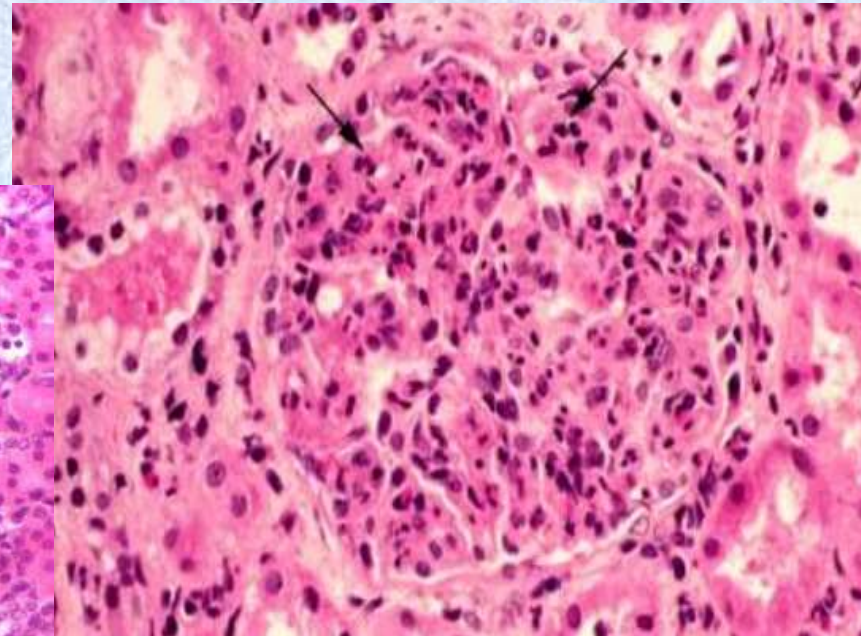
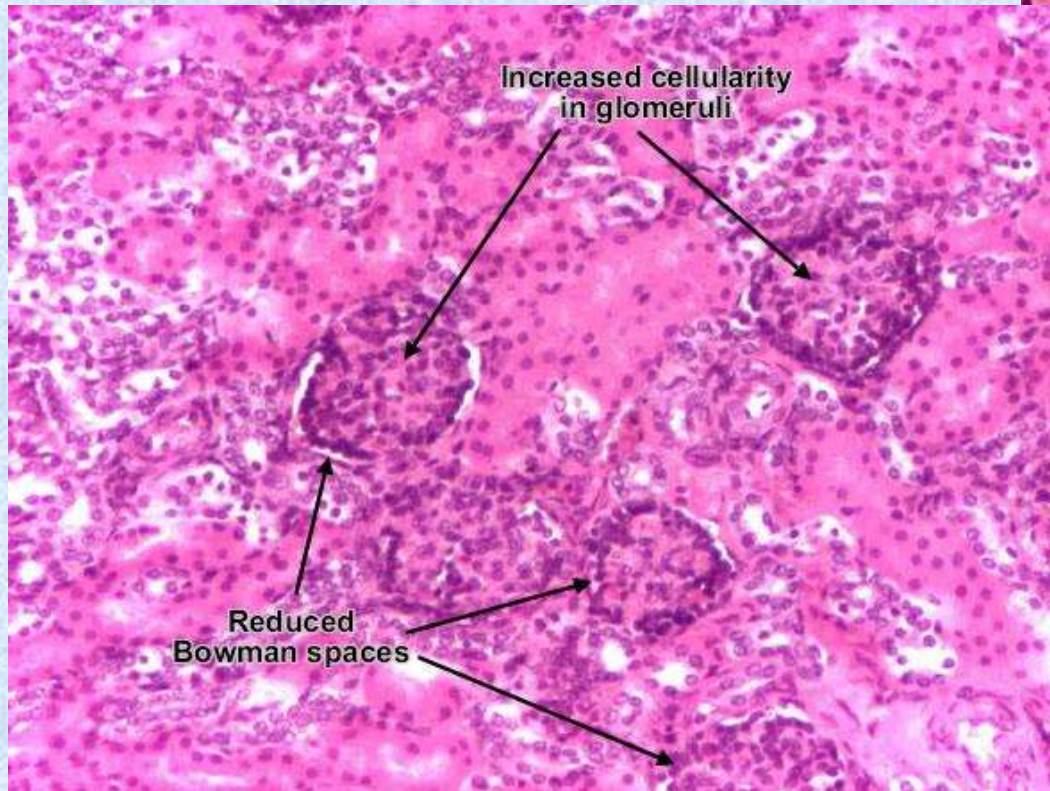


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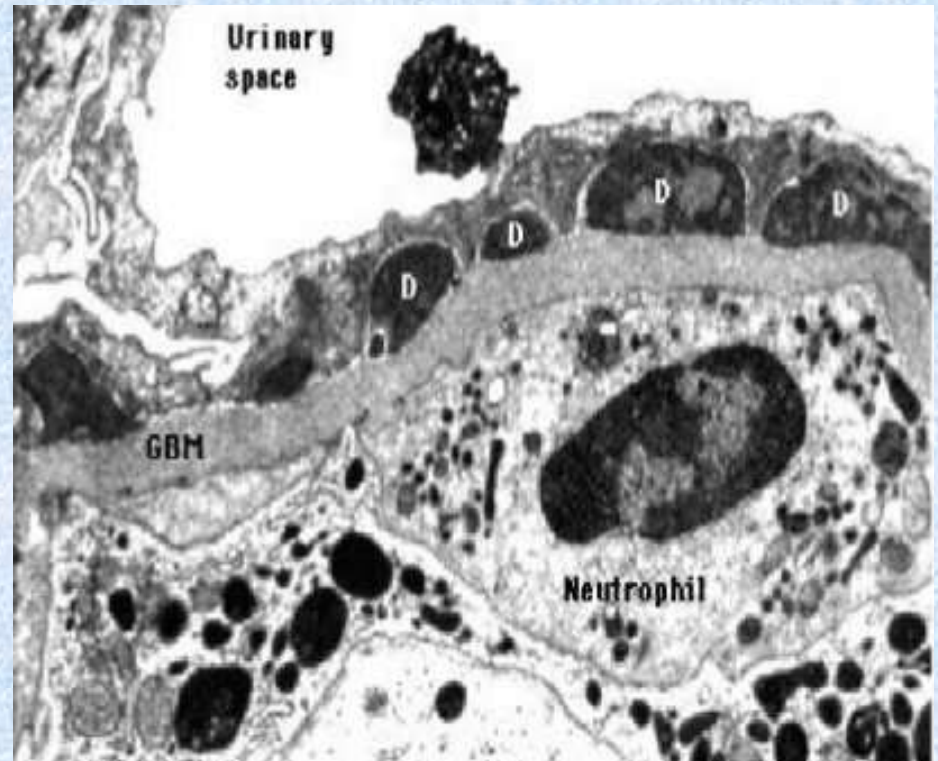


# Renal diseases

## Acute post-infectious GN

**Grossly:** The kidneys are slightly enlarged & pale due to edema

**EP:**





# Renal diseases

## Acute post-infectious GN

### Clinical and biochemical changes:

- *Fever and malaise*
- *Urine analysis:*
  - Hematuria
  - Mild proteinuria
  - High specific gravity
  - Hyaline and RBCs casts
- *Nephritic syndrome:*
  - Gross hematuria (smoky urine)
  - Mild to moderate hypertension.
  - Oliguria
  - Mild nephritic edema
- *Blood picture:*
  - Mild anemia
  - High ASO titre
  - Low serum complement
  - Mild increased serum urea and creatinin

# Renal diseases

## Acute post-infectious GN

### Fate:

- **In children: (excellent prognosis):**
  - 95% of affected children resolve within 2-3 weeks
  - The remaining cases may progress to rapidly progressive form and may develop renal failure
- **In adults:** less favorable prognosis compared to children: about 60% resolve completely

# Renal diseases

## Rapidly progressive (crescentic) GN

### Definition:

A serious condition characterized:

- Clinically by rapid deterioration of renal function with significant features of nephritic syndrome
- Pathologically by formation of cellular crescent

### Etiology:

1. Develop on top of acute post-infectious GN
2. Good Pasteur syndrome or anti-glomerular membrane (anti-GBM) antibody.
3. As a part of systemic disease as SLE and henoch-shonlien purpura
4. Idiopathic

# Renal diseases

## Rapidly progressive (crescentic) GN

**Grossly:** The kidneys are slightly enlarged & pale due to edema

### **MP:**

- **Glomeruli:**

- Hyper-cellular (proliferation of epithelial, endothelial and mesangial cells and infiltration by neutrophils).
- Crescent formation: proliferation of parietal epithelium leads to obliteration of Bowman`s space
- Glomerular tufts: focal thrombosis and necrosis

- **Tubules:** focal necrosis and RBCs cast of the lumen

- **Blood vessels:** may show thrombosis

- **Interstitial tissue:** infiltration by neutrophils and focal necrosis and subsequent development of fibrosis.

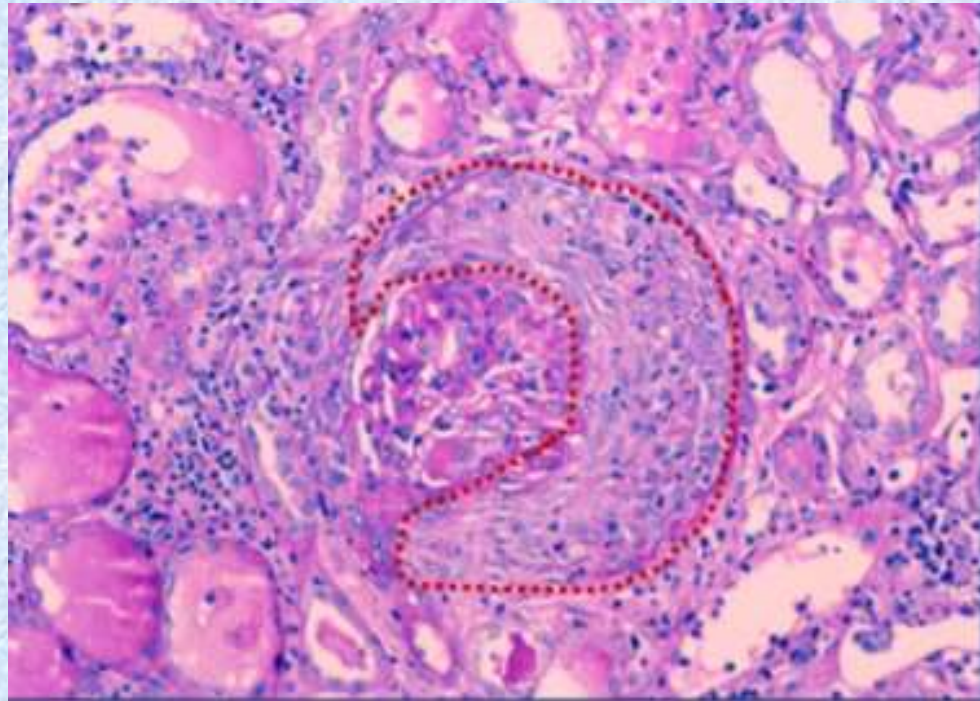
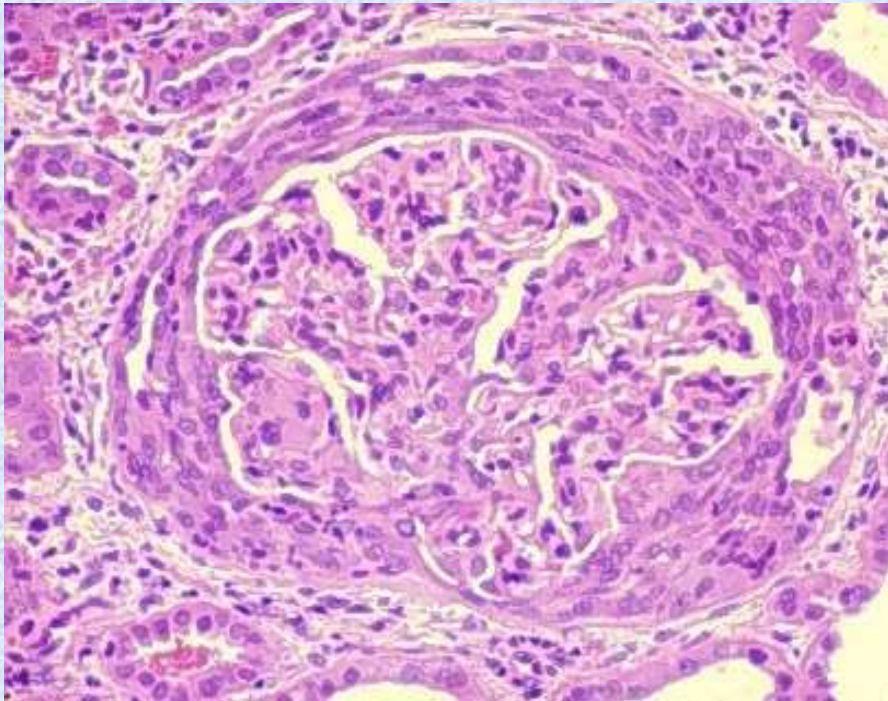


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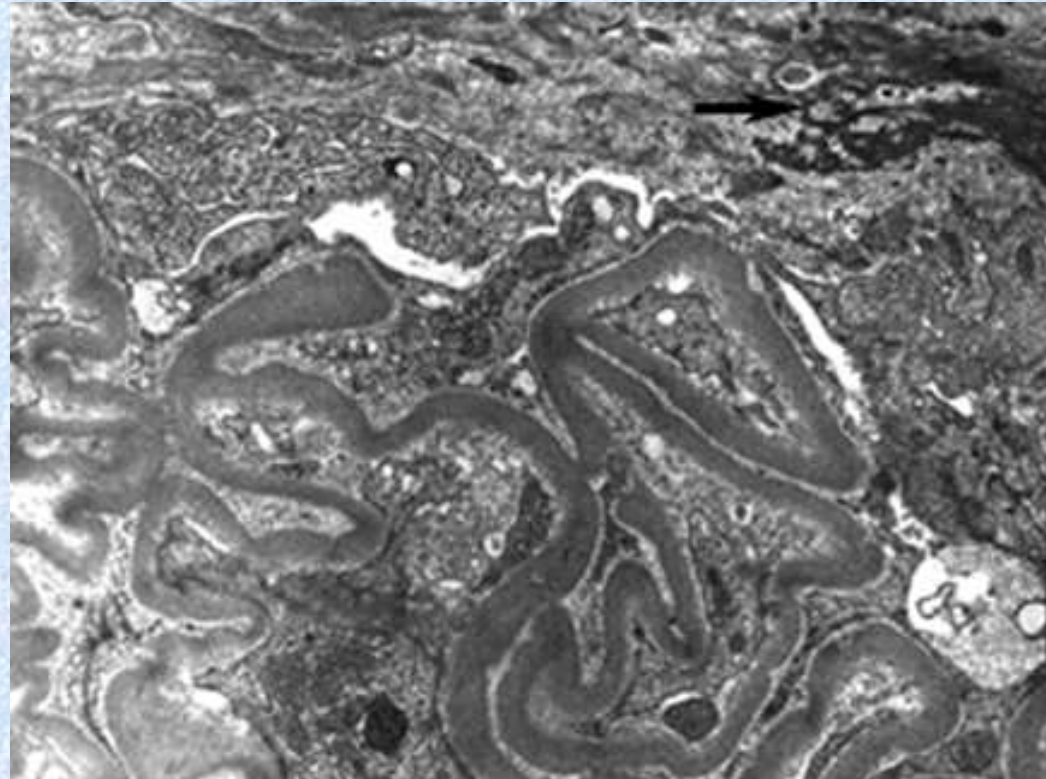
# Renal diseases

## Rapidly progressive (crescentic) GN

**Grossly:** The kidneys are slightly enlarged & pale due to edema

### **MP:**

- **EM:** linear deposition of immune complex
- **Immunofluorescence:** demonstrate IgG and complement elements





# Renal diseases

## **Rapidly progressive (crescentic) GN**

### **Clinical presentation and fate:**

- Severe form of nephritic syndrome
- Acute renal failure
- Chronic cases progress to chronic GN

# Renal diseases

## Immunoglobulin A nephropathy

### General features

- Affect children and young adults (10-30 years)
- Occurs within 1-2 days after non specific respiratory infections
- It is the most common cause of recurrent microscopic or gross hematuria
- Hematuria usually lasts several days then subside and recur again

### Pathogenesis:

Abnormal excess production  
of IgA or impaired clearance

Activation of complement  
system and glomerular damage

Mesangial  
deposition of IgA





# Renal diseases

## Immunoglobulin A nephropathy

### MP:

- Variable histological features.
- The glomeruli may be normal looking (no change under light microscope).
- May show mesangial proliferation and hyper-cellularity
- May showed crescentic GN features.

EM: Mesangial deposition of immune complex

IF: demonstrate IgA and complement elements in the mesangium

Fate: good prognosis compared to RPGN

# Renal diseases

## Glomerulonephritis

### Common primary causes of nephrotic syndrome

1. Minimal change GN
2. Membranous GN
3. Membranoproliferative GN
4. Focal segmental GN

# Renal diseases

## Minimal change GN

### General features

- Most common of GN in children
- Exact etiology is unknown
- Immune mediated
- Characterized clinically by heavy proteinuria

Grossly: Normal appearing kidney

MP: No significant changes under light microscope

EM: Fusion or effacement of foot processes (*foot process disease*)

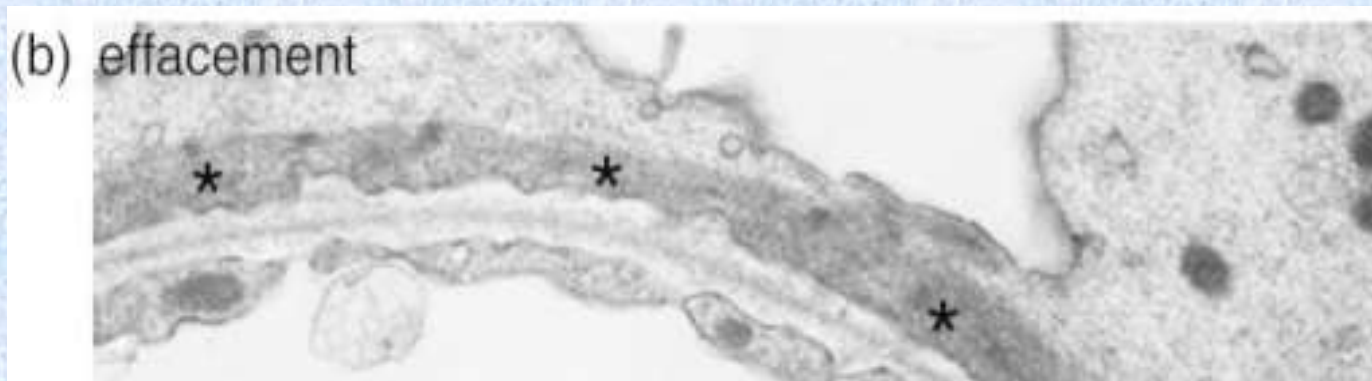
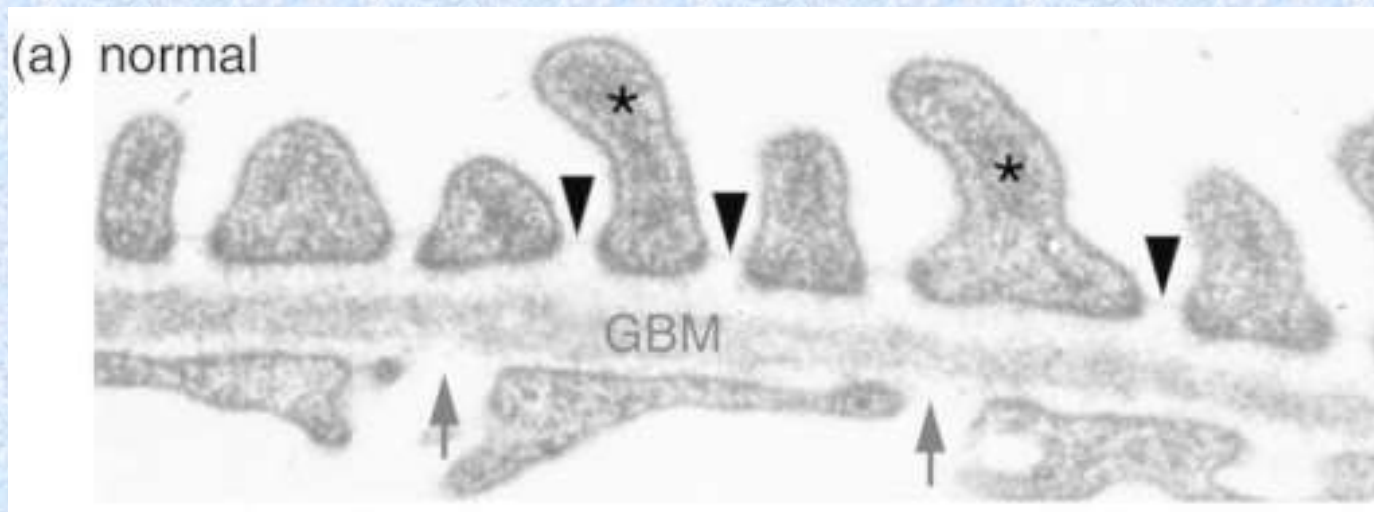
Fate:

- Excellent response to steroid particularly in children
- Rarely, the disease may progress to chronic renal failure

# Renal diseases

## Minimal change GN

**EM:** Fusion or effacement of foot processes (*foot process disease*)





# Renal diseases

## Membranous GN

### General features

- A slowly progressive form of GN.
- More commonly in adults but may involve children

### Etiology/pathogenesis:

- Primary:** antigen implanted on glomerular BM with Ag/Ab reaction and complement activation.
- Secondary** in other diseases: SLE, viral hepatitis, malaria, tumors, diabetes and secondary to some drugs as NSAID

**Clinically:** usually presents with nephrotic syndrome

# Renal diseases

## Membranous GN

**MP**: Diffuse thickening of glomerular BM

**EM**: Sub-epithelial deposition of dense immune complexes

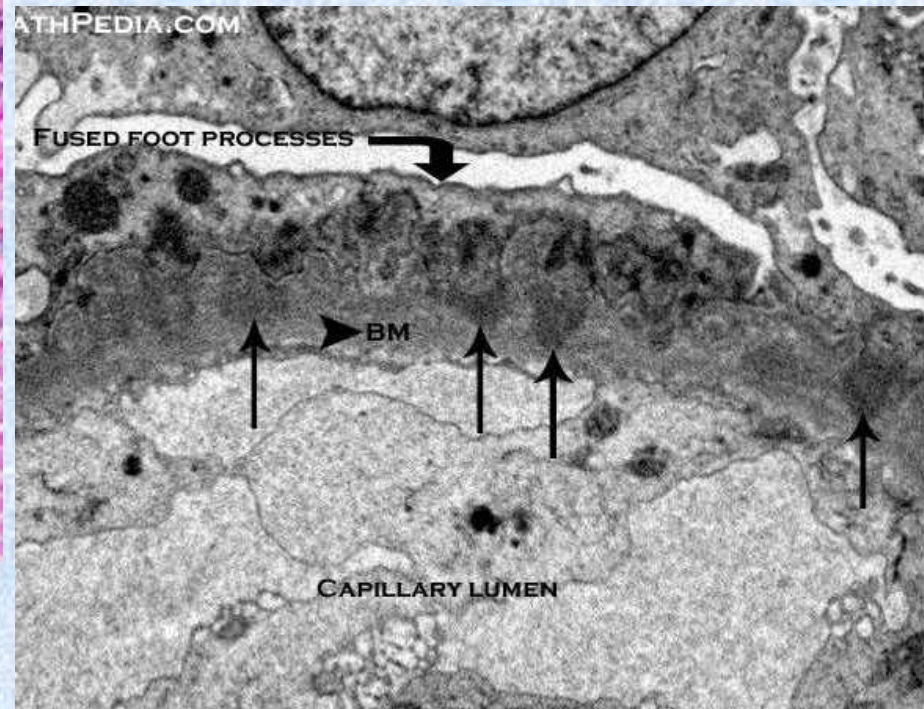
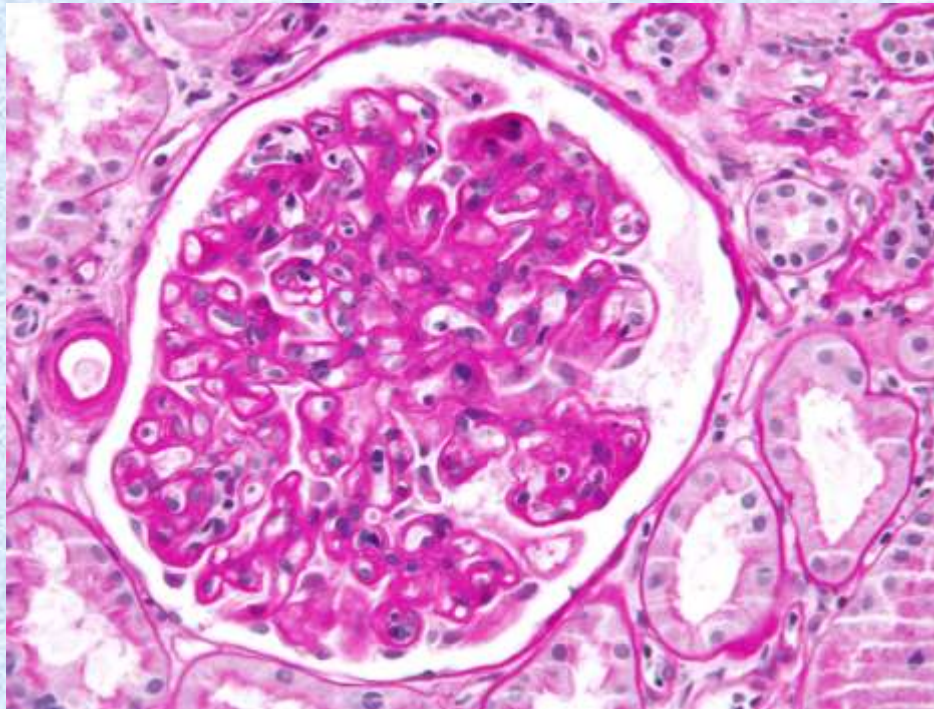
**IF**: Deposition of immune complexes (IgG) and complement along glomerular BM

**Fate**:

- Usually does not respond to steroid particularly.
- 50% of cases progress to chronic renal failure within 2-20 years

# Renal diseases

## Membranous GN





# Renal diseases

## Membrano-proliferative GN

### General features

- A slowly progressive form of GN.
- May occur in adults or children

### Etiology/pathogenesis: **Two types**

- *Type I MPGN* (secondary): the antigen is unknown and is commonly associated with HBV, SLE, and post-infection antigen
- *Type II MPGN* (dense deposits disease): due to excessive activation of C3 with deposition in glomerular BM

### Clinically:

- Most cases present with nephrotic syndrome.
- Few cases present as a symptomatic proteinuria
- Few cases may present as nephritic syndrome

# Renal diseases

## Membrano-proliferative GN

### MP:

- Glomeruli are slightly enlarged
- Glomerular hypercellularity due to proliferated mesangial cells
- Thick GBM with splitting (double contour or tram-track)

### EM:

- Type I: sub-endothelial deposition of dense immune complexes.
- Type II: Dense deposits within the GBM

### IF:

- Type I: sub-endothelial deposition of IgG complexes and C3
- Type II: Granular deposits of C3 deposits within GBM

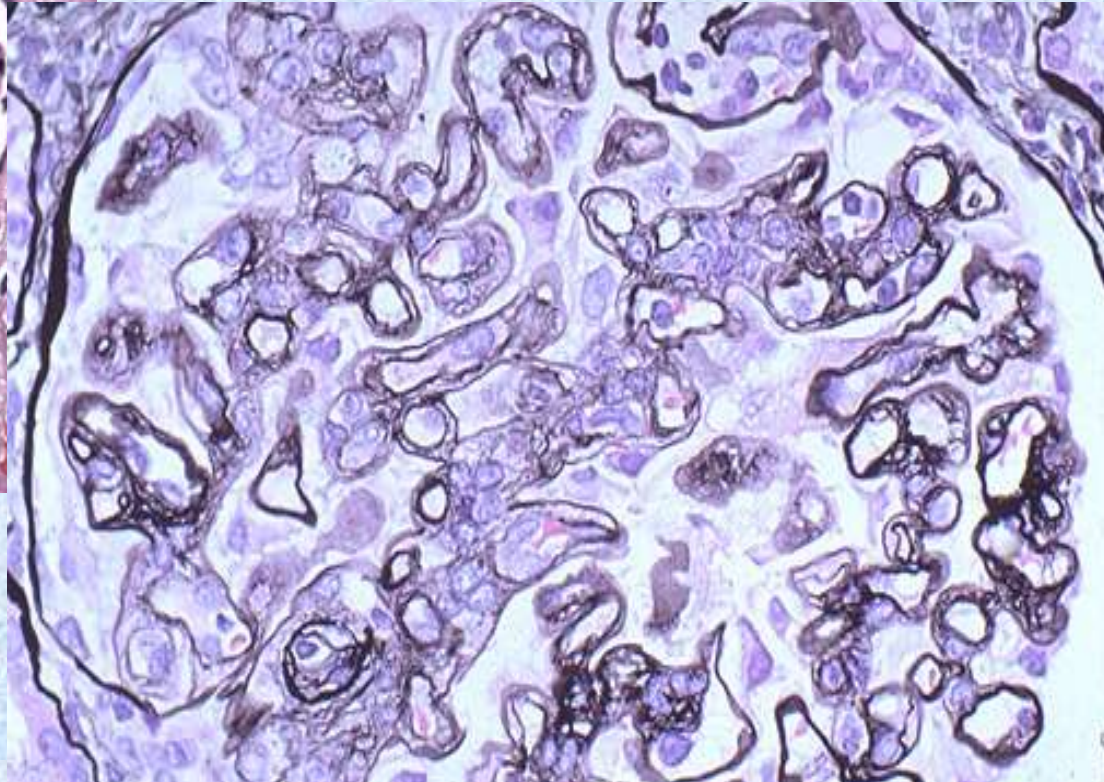
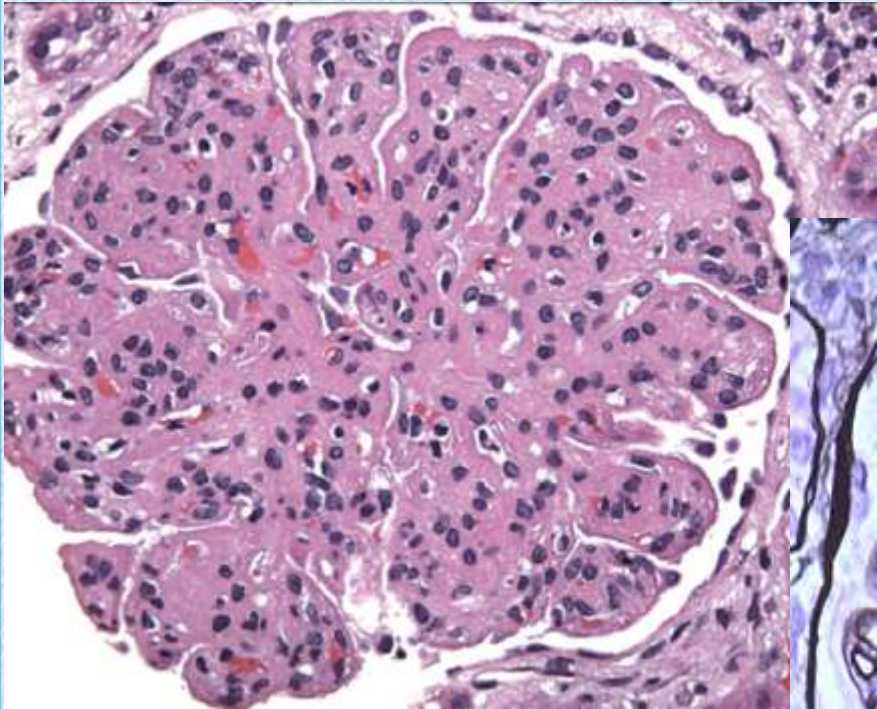
### Fate:

- Usually poor prognosis; as 40% of the disease may progress to chronic renal failure with +/- 10 years



# Renal diseases

## Membrano-proliferative GN



**Double contour of BM (tram-track)**



# Renal diseases

## **Common secondary forms of GN**

**Include:**

- 1. SLE nephropathy**
- 2. Diabetic glomerulosclerosis**
- 3. Renal amyloidosis**

# Renal diseases

## Common secondary forms of GN

### 1- SLE nephropathy

#### General features

- Renal involvement is common in SLE.
- SLE induces heterogeneous clinical presentation and different glomerular lesions

#### Pathogenesis:

- Glomerular deposition of immune complexes that stimulate proliferation of endothelial, epithelial and mesangial cells.

#### Clinically:

- Commonly nephrotic syndrome
- Microscopic proteinuria
- May present with nephritic syndrome
- Chronic renal failure.

# Renal diseases

## Common secondary forms of GN

### 1- SLE nephropathy

#### MP:

- Expanded hyper-cellular glomeruli.
- Features vary according to site of immune complex deposits

EM: Sub-endothelial, mesangial or sub-epithelial deposits of immune complexes

IF: Deposition of several immunoglobulins and all types of complement components



# Renal diseases

## Common secondary forms of GN

### 1- SLE nephropathy

#### Classification of lupus nephritis

#### ISN/RPS::Classification of Lupus Nephritis

International society of nephropathy/renal pathology society

Class I	Minimal mesangial LN
Class II	Mesangial proliferative LN
Class III	Focal LN* (<50% of glomeruli)
Class IV	Diffuse LN* (≥50% of glomeruli)
Class V	Membranous LN
Class VI	Advanced sclerosing LN (≥90% globally sclerosed glomeruli without residual activity)

# Renal diseases

## Common secondary forms of GN

### 2. Diabetic glomerulosclerosis

#### General features

- DM is a major cause of renal glomerular injury
- It can lead to:
  - 1.Diabetic glomerulosclerosis
  - 2.Renal arterial sclerosis
  - 3.Chronic repeated pyelonephritis
  - 4.Renal papillary necrosis

#### Diabetic glomerulosclerosis could be:

- Diffuse: thickening of glomerular BM & mesangial proliferation
- Nodular (Kimmelstiel Wilson`s disease): one or more hyaline nodule in glomerular mesangial matrix.

# Renal diseases

## Chronic GN

### General features

- Results from progressive sclerosis or scarring of renal glomeruli and ends by renal failure
- It is the end stage of different types of GN

### Grossly

- Small sized kidneys
- Asymmetrical shape
- Irregular shape
- Thick adherent capsule
- Cortex could not be differentiated from medulla

### MP:

- Scleroses of the glomeruli
- Atrophy of renal tubules.
- Interstitial tissue inflammation
- Thick renal arterioles



# Renal diseases

## **Tubulo-interstitial renal diseases**

# Renal diseases

## Tubulo-interstitial renal diseases

### Include:

- Renal tubular injury
- Pyelonephritis
- Drug induced interstitial renal diseases
- Renal vascular diseases including hypertensive nephrosclerosis (see hypertension)

# Renal diseases

## Acute tubular injury

### ■ Definition:

- Acute damage of renal tubules
- Usually associated with high serum creatinine and acute renal failure

### ■ Etiology:

1. Toxic: caused by poisons, phosphorus, tetrachloride, drugs as ampicillin, thiazides, and NSAID.
2. Anoxic (ischemic): caused by crush injuries, mismatched blood transfusion, severe burn and shock

### ■ Microscopically: necrosis of tubular epithelium, RBCs and hyaline casts in tubular lumen, interstitial tissue edema

### ■ Clinically: hypertension, oliguria and raised serum creatinine



# Renal diseases

## Pyelonephritis

- **Definition:**

Inflammation of renal interstitial tissue and pelvi-calyceal system

- **Etiology:**

*Predisposing factors:*

1. Females are more susceptible due to short urethra.
2. Pregnancy: due to compression of ureters by gravid uterus
3. Decreased immunity: DM, steroids or immuno-suppressive therapy and AIDS
4. Urinary tract obstruction: renal calculi, tumors and stricture as in bilharziasis
5. Urinary instrumentation
6. Vesico-ureteric reflux

# Renal diseases

## Pyelonephritis

### ■ Etiology:

#### Routs of infection:

- Ascending infection through ureters
- Hematogenous spread

#### Causative organism

- Commonly E coli
- Other organisms: Bacillous proteus, klebsiella, staph aureus, streptococci and others

### ■ Pathological features:

- Main two forms: acute and chronic

# Renal diseases

## Types of pyelonephritis

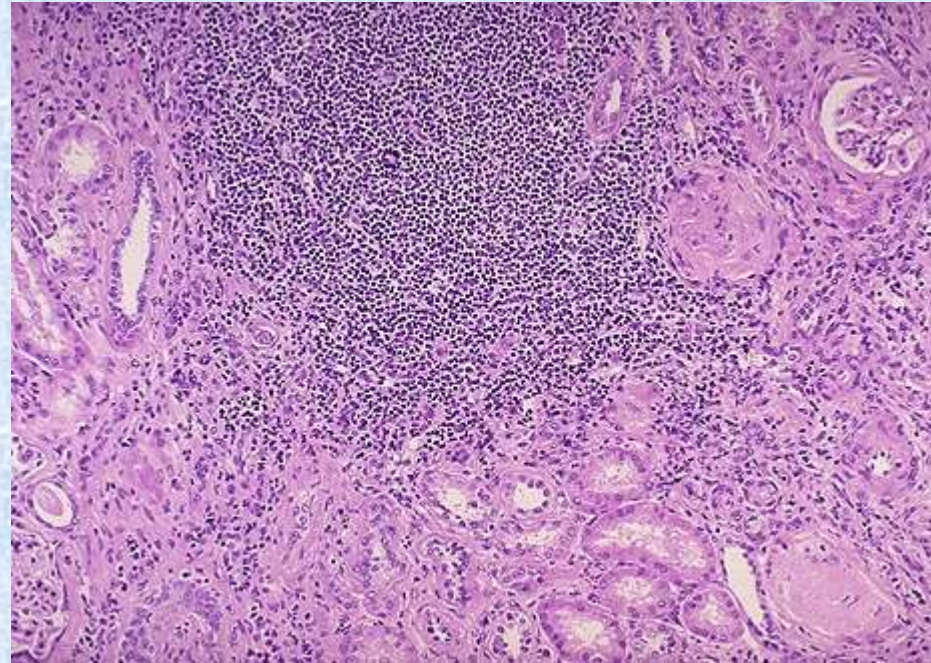
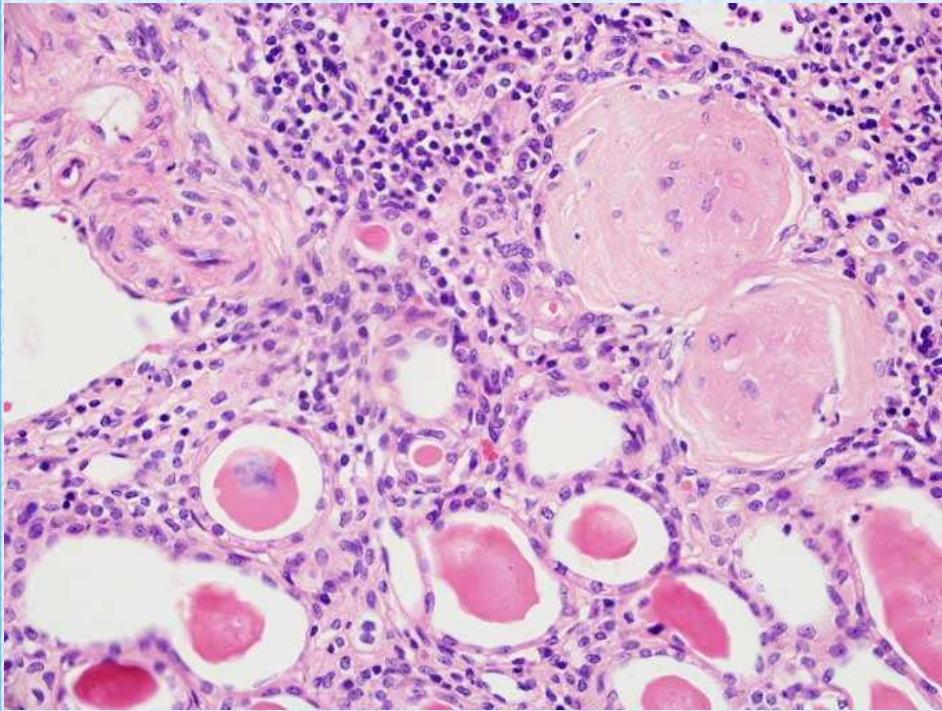
	Acute	Chronic
<b><u>Clinically</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Frequency and dysuria</li> <li>-High grade fever &amp; rigors</li> <li>-Acute loin pain</li> <li>-Urine analysis: pus cells, RBCs, proteins and cellular casts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Chronic mild loin pain</li> <li>-Hypertension</li> <li>-Repeated acute attacks.</li> <li>-Urine analysis and kidney functions: raised serum creatinin, pus cells and RBCs</li> </ul>
<b><u>Grossly:</u></b>		
• Size:	-Enlarged	-Asymmetrically contracted
• Surface	-Smooth	-Irregular
• Capsule	-Strips easily	-Adherent
• Cut section	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Cortex is differentiated</li> <li>-Small cortical abscesses</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Cortex is not differentiated</li> <li>-Fibrotic</li> </ul>



# Renal diseases

	Acute	Chronic
<b><u>MP:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Glomeruli</li> <li>• Tubules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Lining</i>:</li> <li>- <i>Lumen</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Vessels</li> <li>• Interstitium</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-No significant changes</li> <li>-Degenerated or damaged</li> <li>-RBCs cast</li> <li>-Congested capillaries</li> <li>-Infiltration by PNLs, pus cells &amp; macrophages</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-May be fibrotic or atrophic</li> <li>-Atrophic lining or fibrosis</li> <li>-Hyaline cast (<b>thyroidization</b>)</li> <li>-End-arteritis obliterans</li> <li>-Infiltration by plasma cells, lymphocytes (<b>lymphoid follicles</b>) and fibroblasts</li> </ul>
<b><u>Fate and effects:</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-If mild: recovery</li> <li>-If severe: acute renal failure</li> <li>-May lead to chronic form</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Hypertension</li> <li>-Renal calculi</li> <li>-End by chronic renal failure</li> </ul>

# Renal diseases



**Chronic pyelonephritis**



# Renal diseases

## Drug induced interstitial nephritis

- Antibiotics, analgesics, chemotherapy and different drugs have deleterious effect on renal tubules and interstitium.
- The injury is either:
  - ***Acute*** (see acute tubular injury)
  - ***Chronic***:
    - Also called analgesic nephropathy
    - Pathogenesis: Induction of chronic papillary degeneration, necrosis and interstitial inflammation or glomerular lesions.
    - Grossly: NO specific picture.
    - MP: coagulative necrosis of renal papillae, interstitial infiltration by lymphocytes followed by patchy fibrosis on long standing cases.
    - Clinically: hypertension, anemia and chronic renal failure



*Thank you*