NON GLOMERULAR DISORDERS

***INTERSTITIAL NEPHROPATHY:

They are group of inflammatory diseases affect renal tubules and the surrounding interstitium, associated with electrolyte abnormalities specially Hyperkalemia and metabolic acidosis, may be with renal failure, proteinuria rarely > 1gm/day while haematuria and pyuria are common.

** Acute Interstitial Nephritis:

- Causes:
 - 1. Drug related: Antibiotic; Penicillins ((Methacillin))

- NSAID

- 2. Immune : Transplant rejection
- 3. Infections : Acute bacterial pyelonephritis
- Clinical features:
 - Development of acute renal insufficiency is common.
 - May develop fever, skin rash, arthralgia and peripheral Eosinophelia with or without eosinophiluria
 - Hypertension and oedema are uncommon.
- Diagnosis:
 - 1. GUE shows haematuria, sterile pyuria, WBC cast & eosinophiluria.
 - 2. Impaired renal function ((high blood urea and s. creatinine))
 - 3. Renal biopsy shows tubular atrophy and interstitial infiltration by inflammatory cells
- Treatment:
 - 1. Withdrawal the offending drug in drug induced
 - 2. Short course of prednisolone 1mg/kg/day for 1-2 weeks may accelerate recovery.
 - 3. Dialysis some time is necessary.
 - 4. Treatment of the underlying cause if possible

** Chronic Interstitial Nephritis:

It is characterized by slowly progressive renal insufficiency, non nephritic range protienuria and functional tubular defect with interstitial fibrosis with atrophy and loss of renal tubules.

- Causes:
 - 1. Vesicouretral reflux
 - 2. Drugs: Analgesic nephropathy
 - 3. Sickle cell nephropathy
 - 4. Toxins & heavy metals eg. Lead poisoning
 - 5. Metabolic disorders eg. Hypokalemia, hyperuricemia
 - 6. Hereditary diseases eg. Polycystic kidney disease
 - 7. Malignant diseases eg. Multiple myeloma
- Clinical features:
 - 1. Usually adult with CRF, hypertension and small size kidneys.

- 2. Electrolyte disturbances ((Hyperkalemia and acidosis disproportionately more severe than the degree of azotemia.
- 3. No evidence of active renal inflammation.
- 4. Urinalysis are nonspecific with no cellular casts.
- 5. Features related to the underlying cause.
- Treatment:
 - 1. Symptomatic
 - 2. Correction of electrolyte disturbances
 - 3. Dialysis may be indicated
 - 4. Treatment of the underlying cause

*** URINARY TRACT INFECTION ((UTI))

- Risk factors:
 - 1. Incomplete bladder emptying eg. Bladder outlet obstruction
 - 2. Foreign bodies eg. Urethral catheter.
 - 3. Loss of host defenses eg. DM

• Aetiology:

E.coli, Proteus, Klebsiella, Psudomonus, Streptococci, Staphylococcus epideomidis.

• Spectrums of presentations of UTI :

- 1. Asymptomatic bacteriuria;
 - 5% of pregnant women have asymptomatic bacteruria
 - It is i8ncreasingly common in those aged over 65 years.
 - Treatment is indicated in infants and pregnant women but not in general population.

2. Symptomatic acute urethritis & cystitis:

- Patients presented with frequency, dysuria, urgency, suprapupic pain, cloudy urine and may have unpleasant odor,
- Microscopical or visible haematuria
- Slight or absent systemic symptoms.
- *3. Acute pyelonephritis:*
 - Classic triad of; loin pain, fever and tenderness over the kidneys
 - 30% may have dysuria
 - Fever may be associated with rigors vomiting & hypotension
- 4. Acute prostatitis:
 - Dysuria, frequency, perineal or groin pain, difficulty in passing urine,
 - enlarged tendor prostate.

5. Septicaemia:

- Investigations:
 - 1. GUE
 - 2. urine culture
 - 3. renal sonography
 - 4. blood culture
 - 5. IVU

• Treatment:

- 1. Cystitis: Trimethoprim 200 mg/day. For 3 days. OR
 - Nitrofuradantin 50 mg/6hr. For 3 days. OR

Norfloxacin 400 mg/12hr. For 3 days.

- 2. pyelonephritis:
 - Same treatment of cystitis but for 7 14 days.
 - Gentamycin or cephalosporin may be used.
- 3. Prostatitis: Trimethoprim, ciprofloxacin or norfloxacin for 4 6 weeks
- 4. Fluid intake of at least 2 Litters / day is recommended.
- 5. Urinary alkalizing agents may help symptomatically.
- 6. Personal hygiene and emptying of the bladder regularly.

*** CYSTIC KIDNEY DISEASES:

** POLYCSTIC KIDNEY DISEASE:

It is an autosomal dominant inherited disease

- Clinical Features:
 - Usually asymptomatic until adult life.
 - May presented with vague discomfort in loin or abdomen or with acute renal colic due to hemorrhage into a cyst.
 - Hypertension is common.
 - May presented with recurrent UTI.
 - Usually haematuria with little or no protienuria
 - Chronic progressive gradual reduction in renal function
 - CRF
- Associated conditions:

Hepatic cyst, Berry aneurysms of the cerebral vessels, AR, MR, colonic diverticuli and abdominal hernias

- Investigations:
 - 1. family history
 - 2. Clinical features
 - 3. Abdominal ultrasound
- Treatment:
 - PKD is not a premalignant disorder.
 - Supportive treatment.
 - Treatment of hypertension.
 - Dialysis.
 - Renal transplantiation.

*** TUMOURS OF THE KIDNEY & URINARY TRACT:

** Renal Adenocarcinoma:

- The most common malignant tumour of the kidney in adult.
- Typical presentation: Haematuria, loin pain and renal mass.
- Systemic effects include: Fever, raised ESR, polycythaemia, abnormalities in plasma proteins and liver function test.

- Diagnosis: Abdominal U/S , Contrast enhanced abdominal CT scan.
- Treatment:
 - Radical nephrectomy including the perirenal facial envelope and the epsilateral paraaortic lymph nodes.
 - It is resistant to radiotherapy and chemotherapy but some benefit from immunotherapy using interferon and IL-2
 - Even when metastases are present, nephrectomy should always be considered.
- ** Tumours of renal pelvis, ureters and bladder:
 - Transitional cell carcinoma associated with exposure to chemicals and dye industries.
 - Squamous cell carcinoma usually following chronic inflammation or irritation due to stone or Schistosomiasis.
 - 80% presented with haematuria which is usually visible and painless.
 - Investigations:
 - 1. IVU
 - 2. U/S
 - 3. cystoscopy & biopsy
 - Treatment:
 - 1. Transuretheral resection of the tumor
 - 2. Intervesical chemotherapy
 - 3. Radical cystectomy & urinary diversion.