

*Definition: •

inflammation of the gastric or stomach mucosa with mucosal injury.

Gastritis may be •

*acute, lasting several hours to a few days, •

*or chronic, resulting from repeated exposure to irritating agents

*or recurring episodes of acute gastritis •

* male to female ratio 1/1 •

*causes: •

- I- acute gastritis:
- *drugs: aspirin, NSAIDs, iron preparation
- *H. pylori •
- *alcohol •
- *stress: burns, CNS trauma. •
- *bile reflux •
- *viral infections: CMV, HS
- *radiation •
- II- chronic non-specific gastritis:
- *HP infection •
- *autoimmune (perniciuos an)
- *post-gastrectomy
- III- chronic specific gastritis: •
- *infection, CMV, TB
- *Crohn's disease •
- *sarcoidosis, GVHD
- *idiopathic, granulomatous G



Acute gastitis

- *definition: an acute mucosal inflammatory process, usually of a transient nature.
- *pathophysiology: inflammatory mucosal changes, with neutrophils predomenant.
- *symptoms:
- 1- asymptomatic. •
- 2- dyspepsia, anorexia, nausea, vomiting & hematemesis or malena.



- * Diagnosis: •
- 1- clinically, no need investigations •
- 2- may need endoscopy & biopsy to excludePU or cancer.
- *Treatment: •
- 1- treat underlying cause •
- 2- symptomatic therapy with antacids, PPIs & antiemetics (e.g. metoclopramide)

Chronic gastritis



*Definition: •

prolonged inflammation of the stomach. •

*Pathophysiology: charactrised by •

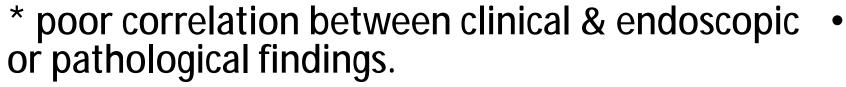
mononuclear cell infiltrate especially • lymphocyte and maccrophages of gastric mucosa.

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Some types of Ch Gastritis

1- ch g due to HP infection: •

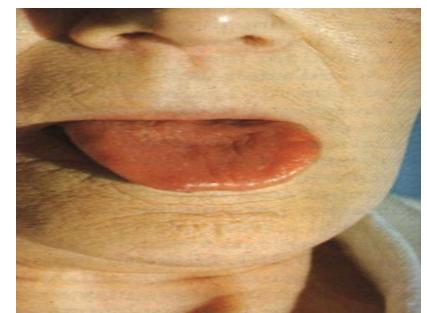
- *is the most common cause. •
- *lymphocytes & plasma cells. •



*most pt are asymptomatic & managed by modifying patient's diet& do not require treatment, but if pt develop dyspepsia may benefit from HP eradication.

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2- autoimmune ch gastritis: • *it results from autoimmune activity againast parietal cells.

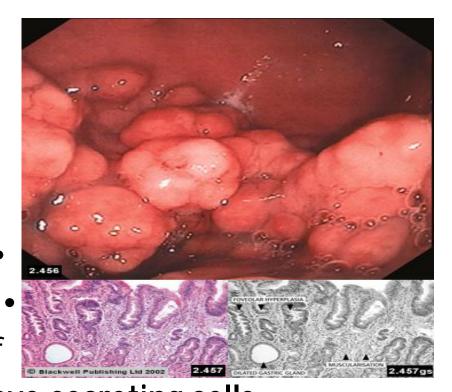


- *involves the body of stomach & spares the antrum, characterized by diffuse chronic inflammation, atrophy & loss of fundic glands, intestinal metaplasia & some times hyperplasia of enterochromaffin like cells(ECL).
- *Ab to parietal cell & intrinsic factor may be present.
- *may be severe lead to pernicious anemia. •

3- Menetrier's disease: : •

*disease of middle & old age.

*the gastric pits are elongated
& tortuous, with replacement of
the parietal & chief cells by mucus-secreting cells.



* mostly involve the body & fundus. •

*most pt are hypochlorhydric. •

*ass with protein losing enteropathy. •

*treated with antisecretry drugs or partial gastrectomy.

Peptic ulcer disease (PUD)



*Definition: •

break in the gastrointestinal mucosa exposed to gastric acid and pepsin, which penetrate the muscularis mucosa, more than 5 mm in diameter may be acute or chronic.

In the acute ulcer, there is no evidence of fibrosis. •

While in erosion, there is no penetration of muscularis

Peptic ulcers

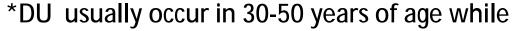
mucosa & less than 5 mm.

- *Site:
- ()lower oesophagus
- () stomach ()duodenum
- ()Jejunum after surgical anastomosis to the stomach
- ()rarely in the ileum adjacent to a Meckel's diverticulum.

Gastric & Duodenal ulcer

introduction:

- * it's more common in developing countries& Higher prevalence in low socioeconomic classes
- *the lifetime risk for developing a peptic ulcer is approximately 10% •
- *family history: 3-4 increased risk . •
- *male/female ratio: DU (5:1 to 2:1)
 - GU (2:1 or less)



- *GU usually occur in 50-70 years of age.
- * the MR: approximately 1 death per 100,000 cases.
- *The hospitalization rate is approximately 30 patients per 100,000 cases.
- *ch GU is usually single; 90% on the lesser curve within
- the antrum or at the junction bet body & antral mucosa.
- *ch DU is more than one DU in 10-15% of cases, occur usually in the 1^{st} part of duodenum, 50% on the ant wall .
- * GU & DU may coexist in 10% of patients.



- Causes
- 1- H pylori infection
- 2- Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs: The gastric mucosa protects itself from gastric acid with a layer of mucus, the secretion of which is stimulated by certain prostaglandins. NSAIDs block the function of cyclooxygenase 1 (cox-1), which is essential for the production of these prostaglandins
- 3-Smoking: more with GU & less extent to DU.
- 4-Severe physiologic stress
 - Burns
 - CNS trauma
 - Surgery
- 5-Severe medical illnessHypersecretory states (uncommon)
 - <u>Gastrinoma</u> (<u>Zollinger-Ellison syndrome</u>) or multiple endocrine neoplasia (MENl)
 - Antral G cell hyperplasia
 - Systemic mastocytosis
 - Basophilic leukemias
 - 6-Diseases associated with an increased risk of PUD include cirrhosis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, renal failure, and organ transplantation.
 - 7- Additional rare, miscellaneous causes include radiation-induced or chemotherapy

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pathophysiology

H pylori:

*is G –ve & spiral,

*Has multiple flagella at one end

() make it motile •

()allowing it to burrow to live deep

Beneath the mucus layer

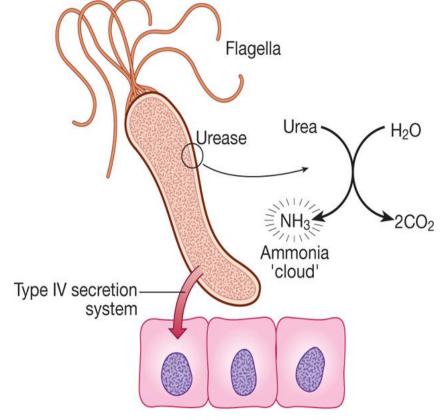
*has following antigens:

1- adhesin molecule (BabA) which

Bind to Lewis b antigen on epith

Cells to buffer acidity of stomach

By urease enzyme to raise PH.



Other factors

- Vacuolating cytotoxin (vacA)
- Cytotoxin-associated gene (cagA)
- Adhesins (BabA)
- Outer inflammatory protein A (oipA)

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- 2- cytotoxin-associated gene (cag A): Provoke a local inflammatory response in the underlying epithelium by cell replication & apoptosis.
- 3- vacuolating cytotoxin (vac A): •
- *Increase cell permeability, •
- *efflux of micronutrients from epithelium
- *induction of apoptosis •
- * suppression of local immune cell activity. •
- 4- outer inflammatory protien A(oip A) •

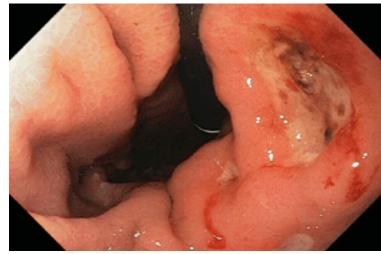
- * in developed countries, HP infection raise with the age, 50% of people over the age of 50.
- While in developing countries, affect up to 90% of the adult population.
- *HP infections are probably acquired in childhood, the vast majority of colonized people remain healthy & asymptomatic.
- *HP responsible for 90% of DU & 70 % of GU •
- *HP spread by person to person via •
- gastric reflux ate or vomit. •

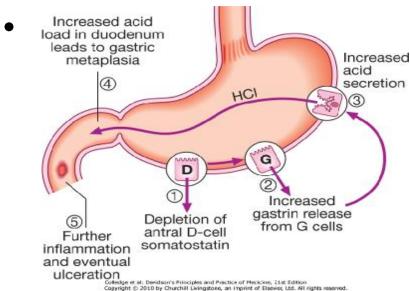
HP & DU

*It's exclusively colonizes gastric type epithelium & is only found in the duodenum in association with patches of gastric metaplasia, which produce DU • by:

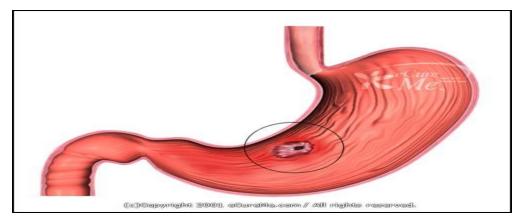
- 1- depletion of antral D-cell(somatostatin) •
- 2- increase gastrin release from G cells •
- 3- increased acid secretion by parietal cells •
- 4- increased acid load in duodenum leads to gastric metaplasia

5- further inflamation & ulceration





HP & GU



- *the role of HP in the pathogenesis of GU is less clear but it probably acts by:
- 1- reducing gastric mucosal resistance to attack from acid & pepsin.
- 2- cause pan gastritis leading to gastric atrophy & hypochlorhydria.
- 3- this hypochlorhydria allows bacteria to proliferate within the stomach, which may produce mutagenic nitrites from dietary nitrates predispose to gastric ca.
- * also the effects of HP are more complex, which occur probably because impaired mucosal defense resulting from a combination of HP, NSAID, & smoking.

Role of H.pylori in GI diseases

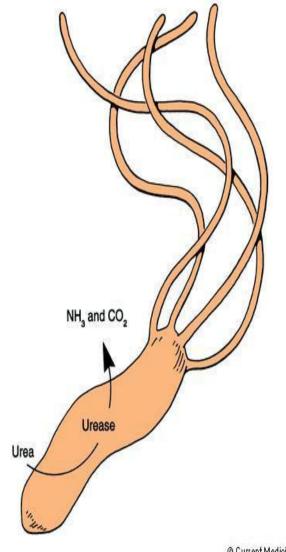
Healthy subjects 20-50% Chronic active gastritis 100%

Duodenal ulcer >90% •

Gastric ulcer 70 % •

Gastric adenocarcinoma 90%

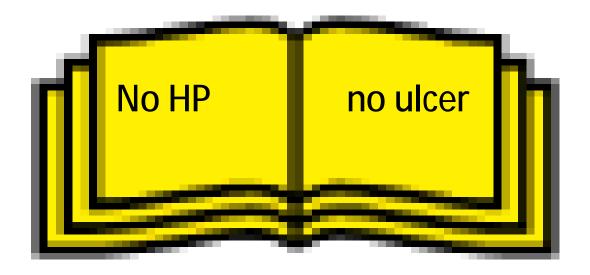
Gastric lymphoma 85%



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Old statement



New statment

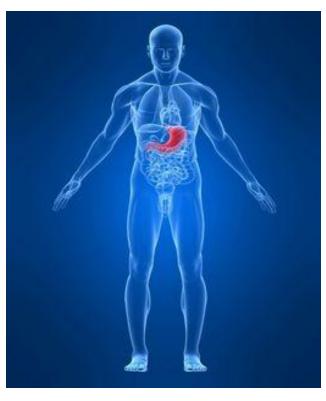
Clinical features

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()abdominal pain:
     *recurrent. •
     *epigastric •
     *relation to food •
     *episodic •
     *hunger pain •
     *night pain •
()dyspepsia, heartburn, water brash.
()nausea & anorexia
()vomiting (40%) •
()silent as anemia from undetected blood loss •
()cx as hematemesis or malena or perforation
() the diagnostic value of individual symptoms for PUD is poor
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Clinical notes

<u>History</u>

- ()Patients typically present with abdominal pain that has the following characteristics:
 - *Epigastric to left upper quadrant -
 - *Frequently described as burning -
 - *May radiate to the back -
 - *Usually occurs 1-5 hours after meals -
 - *May be relieved by food, antacids (duodenal), -
- or vomiting (gastric) –
- "()Alarm features" that warrant prompt gastroenterology referral are following:
 - *Bleeding or anemia -
 - *Early satiety -
 - *Unexplained weight loss -
 - *Progressive dysphagia or odynophagia -
 - *Recurrent vomiting -
 - *Family history of GI cancer -
- ()NSAID-induced gastritis or ulcers may be silent.
- ()Sudden onset of symptoms may indicate perforation.
- ()Gastritis may present as bleeding, which is more likely in elderly patients.
- ()Symptoms consistent with anemia (eg, fatigue, dyspnea) may manifest.





Physical •

- *Epigastric tenderness is present and usually mild.
- *Bowel sounds are typically normal. •
- *Perform a rectal examination and Hemoccult testing. •
- *Signs of peritonitis may be present with perforation. •
- *A succussion splash may be present with gastric outlet obstruction

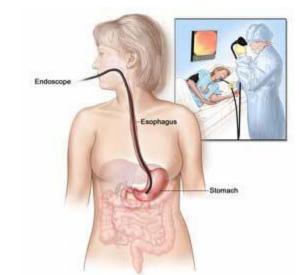
Compare and Contrast the symptoms of Duodenal and Gastric Ulcers

Duodenum U: •

- -Gnawing or burning upper abd pain 1-3 hrs after meals
- Worse pain when stomach empty
- Bleeding occurs with deep erosion
- Hematemesis -
- Melena -

Gastric U: •

- -Relieved by food but pain may persist even after
 - eating
 - Anorexia, wt loss, vomiting
- Infrequent or absent remissions
 - Small % become cancerous •
 - Severe ulcers may erode through stomach wall



*investigations: •

Endoscopy is the preferred investigation.

*in GU, may occasionally malignant & therefore must always be biopsied & follow up.

* investigations for HP are:

()non-invasive: serology

urea breath test

fecal antigen test

()invasive: histology •

rapid urea's test

microbiological culture (gold standard)

