

### ADJECTIVES OF THE 3<sup>RD</sup> DECLENSION – A SUMMARY

#### A) with two gender forms

- describing masculine or feminine nouns: **-IS**      *deformitas gravis, decubitus lumbalis*
- describing neutral nouns: **-E**      *intestinum tenuē, os breve*

*TYPICALLY:*

- **-ALIS/-ARIS, -ALE/-ARE** > derived from nouns  
e.g. *pars dorsalis, os occipitale*
- **-FORMIS/-FORME** > expressing similarity in shape  
e.g. *os cuneiforme, appendix vermiformis*
- **-BILIS/-BILE** > expressing possibility  
e.g. *tumor operabilis, morbus insanabilis*

#### B) with one gender form

- have one single form when describing nouns of all genders; e.g. *ligamentum teres*
- dictionary entry includes Genitive ending!!! (e.g. *teres, etis*)

*TYPICALLY:*

- **-ENS/-ANS**, entis/antis > usually parallel to English words ending in ***-ing / -ent***  
*ren migrans, infarctus recens, ulcus perforans, ramus communicans, colon ascendens*
- **-CEPS**, cipitis > referring to the number of heads in muscles  
*musculus biceps brachii*
- **-PLEX**, plicis > referring to multiplicity  
*metastases hepatis multiplices, fractura simplex*

**DECLINING** regardless of the number of gender forms!!

- Forms describing masculine and female nouns – like **PELVIS**    BUT! Abl. Sg.: **-i**
- Forms describing neutral forms – like **RETE**

	ren, is, <b>m.</b> + migrans, ntis	fractura, ae, <b>f.</b> + simplex, icis	ulcus, eris, <b>n.</b> + perforans, ntis
NOM	ren <i>migrans</i>	fractura <i>simplex</i>	ulcus <i>perforans</i>
GEN	renis <i>migrantis</i>	fracturae <i>simplicis</i>	ulceris <i>perforantis</i>
ACC	renem <i>migrantem</i>	fracturam <i>simplicem</i>	ulcus <i>perforans</i> (=NOM)
ABL	rene <i>migrantī</i>	fractura <i>simplici</i>	ulcere <i>perforanti</i>

**DIFFERENCE ONLY IN ACC SG, NOM PL, AND ACC PL!!!**

## NUMERALS IN MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY -AN OVERVIEW

1) Numerals in anatomical terms	
	<i>vertebrae cervicales (C I – VII)</i> <i>atlas (C I)</i> <i>axis (C II)</i> <i>vertebra prominens (C VII)</i> <i>vertebrae thoracicae (T I – T XII)</i> <i>vertebrae lumbales (L I – L V)</i> <i>vertebrae sacrales (S I – V)</i> <i>vertebrae cocygeae (Co I – IV)</i>
	<i>costae (I – XII)</i> <i>costae verae (I – VII)</i> <i>costae spuriae (VIII – XII)</i> <i>costae fluctuantes (XI – XII)</i>
	<i>digitus primus/secundus/tertius/quartus/quintus</i>
ordinal numerals (1 –12)	<i>dens incisivus primus/secundus</i> <i>dens praemolaris primus/secundus</i> <i>dens molaris primus/secundus/tertius</i>
➤ behave like the 1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> declension adjectives	<i>nervi craniales</i> <i>nervus olfactorius (I)</i> <i>nervus opticus (II)</i> <i>nervus oculomotorius (III)</i> <i>nervus trochlearis (IV)</i> <i>nervus trigeminus (V)</i> <i>nervus abducens (VI)</i> <i>nervus facialis (VII)</i> <i>nervus vertibulochochlearis (VIII)</i> <i>nervus glossopharyngeus (IX)</i> <i>nervus vagus (X)</i> <i>nervus accessorius (XI)</i> <i>nervus hypoglossus (XII)</i> <i>nervi cervicales (C1 – C8)</i> <i>nervi thoracici (T1 – T12)</i> <i>nervi lumbales (L1 – L5)</i> <i>nervi sacrales (S1 – S5)</i>

2) Numerals in clinical terms	
ordinal numerals: <i>expressing degree</i>	<i>Asthma bronchiale gr. III.</i>
<i>compounds referring to number of pregnancies/births</i>	<i>Insufficientia renalis chronica gr. IV.</i>  <i>primi/secundi/terti/quarti/quinti/sextigravida</i> <i>primi/secundi/terti/quarti/quinti/sextipara</i>
multiple numerals (1 – 3 + <i>multiplex</i> )  ➤ behave like the 3 <sup>rd</sup> declension adjectives with one gender form	<i>St. p. hysterectomiam abdominalem <u>simplicem</u></i>  <i>Pelvis renis l. dx. et ureter l. dx <u>duplex</u></i>  <i>Tumor lobi superioris pulmonis l. sin. <u>triplex</u></i>  <i>Metastases hepatis <u>multiplices</u> susp.</i>
numeral adverbs (1 – 3)  ➤ are indeclinable (i.e. do not change case forms)	<i>Funiculus umbilicalis circum collum fetus <u>semel/bis/ter</u> in grav.</i> <i>hebd. 40+4</i>

## EXERCISES

1. Classify adjectives into declensions based on their dictionary entries. Note the number of their gender forms:

opticus, a, um	parietalis, e	migrans, ntis
biliaris, e	felleus, a, um	teres, etis
centralis, e	ascendens, ntis	biceps, cipitis
liber, era, erum	sigmoideus, a, um	simplex, icis

2. A) Choose the forms of adjectives to describe the nouns and create anatomical terms:

<u>caput</u> + longus, a, um; brevis, e	_____
<u>intestinum</u> + tenuis, e; crassus, a, um	_____
<u>musculus</u> + rectus, a, um; biceps, cipitis	_____
<u>colon</u> + ascendens, ntis; sigmoideus, a, um	_____
<u>tuber</u> + ischiadicus, a, um; frontalis, e	_____
<u>canalis</u> + centralis, e; opticus, a, um	_____

- B) *Therapia....* (add the whole adjective phrase in proper case form)

<u>fractura</u> + multiplex, icis; apertus, a, um	_____
<u>eczema</u> + solaris, e; ruber, bra, brum	_____
<u>urocystitis</u> + acutus, a, um; levis, e	_____
<u>herpes</u> + febrilis, e; simplex, icis	_____
<u>ulcus</u> + perforans, ntis; molle, is	_____
<u>ren</u> + cysticus, a, um; migrans, ntis	_____

3. **Mark the adjectives of 3<sup>rd</sup> declension in the following medical records. Decide how many gender forms they have. Then translate into English:**

corpus alienum intestini tenuis perforans

carcinoma capitis pancreatis inoperabile, metastases hepatis multiplices

vulnera lacera regionis frontalis, dorsi nasi, labii superioris oris et vestibuli oris

tumor lobi medii pulmonis l. dx. ad pericardium, diaphragma et nervum phrenicum increscens

st. p. excisionem coli subtotalis propter carcinoma coli descendantis

vulnus punctum cubiti l.sin., corpus alienum vitreum in situ

fractura intraarticularis partis distalis radii sin. dislocata comminutiva

fractura ossis cuboidei et navicularis pedis l. dx. sine dislocatione

ruptura musculi tricipitis surae l. dx. suspecta

corpora aliena vitrea multiplicita antebrachii l. dx.

contusio reg. lumbalis dorsi gravis

**4. Put the following phrases from the abovementioned diagnoses into opposite number (sg./pl.):**

- corpus alienum perforans \_\_\_\_\_
- carcinoma inoperabile \_\_\_\_\_
- vulnera lacera \_\_\_\_\_
- tumor increscens \_\_\_\_\_
- vulnus punctum cubiti \_\_\_\_\_
- fractura intraarticularis comminutiva \_\_\_\_\_
- contusio gravis \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Translate into Latin:**

symptoms of starting tuberculosis

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rupture of the round ligament of uterus in pregnancy

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patient after recent excision of the right breast

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worsening insufficiency of heart

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tumor growing towards urinary bladder

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recurring inflammation of middle ear

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multiple penetrating injuries in hypogastric region

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**PART III: VOCABULARY**

<b>abducens, ntis</b>	abducent, drawing away from the medial line	<b>increscens, ntis</b>	growing
<b>adiuvans, ntis</b>	assisting, aiding, helping	<b>(in)operabilis, e</b>	(in)operable
<b>ascendens, ntis</b>	ascending, going upwards	<b>(in)sanabilis, e</b>	(un)treatable
<b>biceps, cipitis</b>	two-headed, biceps (muscle)	<b>liquor, oris, m.</b>	liquid
<b>biventer, tris</b>	having two “bellies”	<b>migrans, ntis</b>	changing place, migrating
<b>comitans, ntis</b>	accompanying	<b>penetrans, ntis</b>	penetrating, entering a structure
<b>communicans, ntis</b>	communicating	<b>permanens, ntis</b>	permanent, enduring
<b>constituens, ntis</b>	constituent, referring to part of a whole	<b>progrediens, ntis</b>	advancing, progressive
<b>corrigens, ntis</b>	correcting	<b>recens, ntis</b>	recent
<b>decolor, oris</b>	colourless	<b>recidivans, ntis / recurrens, ntis</b>	recurring, repeating itself
<b>descendens, ntis</b>	descending, going downwards	<b>simplex icis</b>	simple
<b>duplex, icis</b>	double, having two components or functions	<b>solvens, ntis</b>	dissolving
<b>eczema matis, n.</b>	eczema, inflammatory process involving epidermis	<b>teres, etis</b>	round
<b>exacerbans, ntis</b>	worsening	<b>triplex, icis</b>	triple
<b>exogenes, is</b>	originating outside the body	<b>tuber, eris, n.</b>	larger protuberance
<b>fluctuans, ntis</b>	floating	<b>vermiformis, e</b>	worm-shaped (with <i>appendix</i> )
<b>frequens, ntis</b>	frequent	<b>versicolor, oris</b>	multicoloured
<b>herpes etis, m.</b>	herpes, a skin disease caused by the herpes virus		
<b>incipiens, ntis</b>	starting, incipient		

**COLLOCATIONS**

<i>delirium tremens</i>	acute alcohol withdrawal syndrome marked by hypertension, irritability, agitation, tremor, and hallucinations
<i>funiculus umbilicalis</i>	umbilical cord
<i>in graviditatis hebdomade</i> ( <i>in grav. hebd. X+Y</i> )	in the week of pregnancy (followed by number of weeks + days)
<i>remedium cardinale</i>	the main medication with desired effect
<i>remedium adiuvans</i>	the medication supporting the effect of the main one
<i>remedium corrigens</i>	the medication correcting undesirable effects of the main one
<i>remedium constituens</i>	the vehicle to dilute the main medication