

## VLA, November 20, 2018 PATHOPHYSIOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF RENAL FUNCTIONS. KIDNEY DISEASES



#### Reabsorbtion

#### Secretion



## KIDNEY - FUNCTION





## NEPHRON: THE GLOMERULUS







## Reabsorbtion in Henle's loop









# **DISTAL TUBULE**





# TUBULAR RESORPTION

- × Proximal Tubules: GF: 120-125 mL/min
  - + Reabsorption of Na (55%), CI, phosphate, amino acids, glucose and bicarbonate (85%). Secretion of proton (CA)
- Loop of Henle: (30 mL/min)
  - + Na/K/2CI Cotransporter (25% Na reabsorbed)
  - + Water impermeable: Hypertonic medullary inst
  - + Ca & Mg paracellular diffusion
- × Distal Tubules:
  - + Na/CI cotransporter; Ca/Na counter transport
  - + Na Channels, K channels, H pump: Aldosterone reg.
- Collecting Tubules: 5-10 mL/min
  - + Water channels: Vasopressin regulated
- Vreters: 1-2 mL/min (stored in bladder until voiding)

## SUMMARY OF TUBULAR RESORPTIVE PROCESSES



#### SYSTEM RENIN-ANGIOTENSIN -ALDOSTERON



RPR, renin/prorenin receptor; Mas, mas oncogene, receptor for Ang 1–7; AT2R, angiotensin type 2 receptor AT1R, angiotensin type 1 receptor, IRAP, insulin-regulated aminopeptidase; Ang IV receptor AMPA, aminopeptidase A; AMPM, aminopeptidase M; ACE, angiotensin-converting enzyme; ACE2, angiotensin-converting enzyme 2; NEP, neutral endopeptidase.

#### PRORENIN INTERACTION WITH RENIN/PRORENIN RECEPTOR (RPR, NGUYEN 2007)



# SYSTEM RENIN-ANGIOTENSIN





# $11\beta\text{-HSD2} =$ $11\beta\text{-hydroxy}$ steroid dehydrogenase, type 2



**Vasopressin function**. Stimulation of V2 receptor for ADH causes aquaporin2 insertion (using cAMP second messenger) to apical membrane which enables water transport along the osmotic gradient.



#### REGULATION OF HYPOCALCEMIA BY KINDNEY





## Calcitriol

#### Calcitriol



# GLOMERULAR FILTRATION

- × Rate (GFR): 120 mL/min (normal)
  × Substances "Filtered":
  - + water, electrolytes (Na, K, etc.), sugars (glucose), nitrogenous waste (urea, creatinine)
- Substances "Excluded":
   + Substances of size > 70 kDa
   + Plasma protein bound substances

#### FACTORS DETERMINING GFR

#### EFFECTIVE TRANSGLOMERULAR PRESSURE

$$P_{GC} = \frac{R_e P_a + R_a P_e}{R_a + R_e}$$



#### Renal blood flow(RBF) and filtration

#### Kidneys autoregulation

1st Ohm's law:

RBF =  $\Delta P/R$ where  $\Delta P = P_a - P_e$  and  $R = R_a + R_e$ 

R must be variable , because renal perfusion as well as GFR vary in large range of systemic blood pressure (90-190 mm Hg of mean arterial pressure.

> $\Delta P$ RBF = ...., R<sub>a</sub> + R<sub>e</sub>

## KIDNEY SITES SUSCEPTIBLE TO RENAL DISEASE

× General: Renal medulla:

- + Low oxygen environment: Ischemia
- × Glomerulus:
  - + Structure predisposes it to immune complex deposition and complement fixation
- × Tubules:
- ischemia, inflammation

"Post-Renal" Structures (ureters, bladder)

+ Malformations, Obstruction, Masses (i.e. cancer)

Diseases of the glomerulus	Glomerulonephritis glomerulosclerosisFocal segmental Membranoproliferativeglomerulonephritis Nephritic syndrome 		
Tubulointerstitial diseases of the kidney	Interstitial nephritis - Pyelonephritis - Hydronephrosis - Pyonephrosis - Balkan nephropathy - Reflux nephropathy		
Renal failure	Acute renal failure Acute tubular necrosis) - Chronic renal failure		
Diseases of the <u>renal</u> <u>tubule</u> and other disorders of kidney and ureter	<u>Renal osteodystrophy</u> - <u>Nephrogenic diabetes insipidus</u> - <u>Renal tubular acidosis</u> - <u>Nephroptosis</u> - <u>Ureterocele</u>		
Other diseases and disorders of urinary system	<u>Cystitis</u> Interstitial cystitis, <u>Trigonitis</u> ) - <u>Neurogenic</u> <u>bladder</u> - <u>Vesicointestinal fistula</u> - <u>Urethritis</u> - <u>Urethral</u> <u>stricture</u> - <u>Urinary tract infection</u> - <u>Kidney stone</u>		
Tumors of the kidney	Renal cell carcinoma - Wilms' tumor (children)		

See also congenital conditions (Q60-Q64, 753)

## RENAL DISEASE: GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS:

- + Early Renal Disease: Abnormal urine volume and/or composition (electrolytes, proteins, cells)
- + Advanced: Edema, electrolyte abnormalities, anemia, etc.
- + Rate of Progression: Disease-dependent
- + Disease Course: Transient-fatal: Diseasedependent
- + Pain: Variable, depending on nature of disease
- × Renal Disease prominent in:
  - + Diabetes Mellitus
  - + Hypertension
  - + Autoimmune disorders (SLE)

# CATEGORIZATION

× Generalized site of disease:

- + Prerenal: Inadequate renal blood flow
- + Intrarenal: Nephron damage
- + Postrenal: Obstruction, structural defects
- × Site of renal lesion (intrarenal)
  - + Glomerulopathy
    - × Nephritic:
    - × Nephrotic:
  - + Tubulointerstitial Disease

Etiologic Factors: Infection, Diabetes, etc.

## CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE

- is a progressive loss of renal function over a period of months or years through five stages. Each stage is a progression through an abnormally low and progressively worse glomerular filtration rate, which is usually determined indirectly by the creatinine level in blood serum.
- Stage 1 CKD is mildly diminished renal function, with few overt symptoms.
- Stage 5 CKD is a severe illness and requires some form of renal replacement therapy (<u>dialysis</u> or <u>renal transplant</u>). Stage 5 CKD is also called **endstage renal disease (ESRD)**.

# PROTEINURIA

- In the normal person, urinary protein excretion is less than 150 mg per day (with most subjects being under 100 mg per day) and consists mostly of filtered plasma proteins (60%) and tubular proteins (40%).
- The main plasma protein in the urine is albumin, constituting about 20% of the total normal daily protein excretion.
- In normal subjects the daily amount of albumin is less than 20 mg.

# PROTEINURIA

- \* Proteinuria usually reflects an increase in glomerular permeability for normally non-filtered (?) plasma macromolecules such as albumin.
- × A 24-hour urine collection containing more than 150 mg of protein is abnormal.
- Significant proteinuria is suspected when a dipstick test of the urine is persistently positive for protein. In such a situation the daily protein excretion will usually exceed 300-500 mg per day.

## MICROALBUMINURIA

- is defined by the presence of >30 and <300 mg of albuminuria daily.
- The albumin to creatinine concentration of >30 mg per gram of creatinine correlates very well with a 24-hour urine albumin measurement. Its detection in Type I diabetes mellitus is the earliest clinical evidence of diabetic nephropathy. Transient increases in urinary albumin excretion may be seen in short-term hyperglycemia, exercise, urinary tract infections, marked hypertension, heart failure, and acute febrile illnesses. There is also diurnal variation in urinary albumin excretion.
- Confirmation of microalbuminuria requires verification on 2 or 3 collections over 3 to 6 months.

Definition of Abnormalities in Albumin Excretion			
Category	Time Co	Spot Collection	
	24-h Collection (mg/24 h)	(&microg/ min)	(&microg/g creatinine)
Normal	< 30	< 20	< 30
Microalbuminuria	30-299	20-199	30-299
Clinical proteinuria	> 300	> 200	> 300

## GLOMERULAR PROTEINURIA

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The glomerular filtration barrier is composed of the endothelial cell, the basement membrane, and the epithelial cell foot processes.

 Proteinuria occurring in glomerular disease is due to increased filtration of albumin and other macromolecules across the glomerular basement membrane. This occurs because of an alteration in both the charge selectivity and size selectivity of the glomerular barrier.
# GLOMERULAR PROTEINURIA

Normally the basement membrane and endothelial cells possess a negative charge. Plasma albumin, which also possesses a negative charge, is repelled by the normal negative charge on the basement membrane and the intact endothelial cells. Circulating IgG has a neutral or positive charge and is not restricted by a negative charge on the basement membrane. Rather, immunoglobulins are restricted by the size selective barrier of the membrane and the epithelial slit diaphragm located across the spaces between the epithelial foot processes.

# GLOMERULAR PROTEINURIA

- In glomerular disease, the injury to the glomerular basement membrane causes proteinuria due to a loss in negative charge as well as from an increase in the number of larger non-selective pores.
- Glomerular diseases are also accompanied by disruption and loss of the epithelial foot process covering of the basement membrane.
- \* It appears that the increased protein leakage occurs especially at the sites of this epithelial alteration.



# TUBULAR PROTEINURIA

- **\*** Low molecular weight molecules such as  $\beta^2$  microglobulin, amino acids, and immunoglobulin light chains have a molecular weight of about 25000 (albumin is 69000). These smaller proteins are easily filtered across the basement membrane and then completely reabsorbed by the proximal tubular cells.
- \* A variety of diseases that produce tubular and interstitial injury impair the tubular reabsorption of these molecules. Some glomerular diseases are also accompanied by tubular injury and tubular proteinuria. Specific urinary measurements of  $\beta 2$  microglobulin are quite sensitive for any tubular injury, but they are not specific for any disease.

# OVERFLOW PROTEINURIA

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Increased excretion of low molecular weight proteins might be seen in states where there is significant increased production of these proteins, as in multiple myeloma.

The proteinuria results from the fact that the amount of these proteins filtered exceeds the reabsorptive capacity of the proximal tubule.



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# CLINICAL SIGNS

- Most patients with proteinuria have no signs or symptoms from the proteinuria.
- In states of heavy (nephrotic range) proteinuria exceeding 3 g daily, the patient might report foamy urine and might demonstrate edema.
- \* The foamy urine is due to increased lipids in the urine, which alters the surface tension of the urine. Lipiduria is caused by the filtration of lipoproteins across the damaged glomerular barrier. On urine microscopy lipiduria might appear as free fat, or as fat droplets in tubular cells or casts where they are referred to as oval fat bodies or fatty casts respectively.

# CLINICAL SIGNS

**× Edema**, which frequently accompanies nephrotic range proteinuria, is caused by reduction of plasma oncotic pressure due to reduced plasma albumin. Hypoalbuminemia is the result of increased glomerular losses and/or defective synthesis of albumin. The loss of albumin stimulates the liver synthetic activity, which also contributes to increased lipoprotein production and hyperlipidemia.

#### Differential Diagnosis of Kidney Disease by Varying Levels of Proteinuria

#### Proteinuria Less than 1-2 Grams Daily

•Nephrosclerosis\* •Tubulointerstitial disease\* •Polycystic kidney disease •Orthostatic proteinuria •More benign forms of glomerular disease (eg, IgA nephritis)\*

Proteinuria Greater than 3.5 Grams Daily (Nephrotic-Range)

Primary glomerular disease
Minimal change disease
<ul> <li>Membranous glomerulonephritis*</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Focal and segmental glomerulosclerosis*</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis</li> </ul>
Secondary nephrotic syndrome: glomerular disease
associated
with specific causes
Systemic disease
<ul> <li>Diabetic nephropathy*</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Systemic Lupus Erythematosus</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Amyloidosis</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Vasculitic-immunologic diseases (Wegener's,</li> </ul>
Goodpasture's, Polyarteritis)
Infectious disease
<ul> <li>Post-streptococcal glomerulonephritis</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Hepatitis B and C*</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Bacterial endocarditis</li> </ul>
•HIV*
Malignancies
<ul> <li>Lymphoproliferative disorders, Hodgkin's (minima</li> </ul>
change)
<ul> <li>Solid tumors (membranous)</li> </ul>
Medications:
<ul> <li>Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs*</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Gold, mercury, heavy metals</li> </ul>
Penicillamine
•Lithium
<ul> <li>"Street" heroin</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Hereditary and metabolic disorders</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Alport's syndrome</li> </ul>
•Fabry's disease
Sickle cell anemia
<ul> <li>Nail-patella syndrome</li> </ul>
•Others
<ul> <li>Accelerated hypertensive nephrosclerosis</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Massive obesity</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Transplant rejection nephropathy</li> </ul>

\* Most common disorders in adults

## GLOMERULONEPHRITIS: CLINICAL MANIFESTATIONS

- Proteinuria and hematuria: damage to capillary wall allows "leakage"
- × Decreased GFR:
  - + Infiltration of glomerular capillaries with inflammatory cells, OR
  - + Expansion of contractile mesangial cells
- Edema and hypertension: Fluid and salt overload from decreased GFR
- × Transient decrease in serum complement
- Transient elevations antibody to streptococcal antigen

# ACUTE GLOMERULONEPHRITIS

#### × Clinical Presentation

- + Abrupt hematuria and proteinuria
- + reduced GFR, salt and water retention

#### × Pathology & Pathogenesis

- + Infection: Immune response to pathogen (i.e. Streptococci) antigen resulting in deposition of immune complexes and complement in glomerular capillary bed (intrarenal!)
- + Onset:7-10 days after initial infection
- + Full recovery typically occurs within weeks on infection



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## Conditions within the kidney that are conducive to complement (C) activation.

- The C cascade is activated by distinct mechanisms at various ultrastructural locations within the kidney.
- Immune-complexes can deposit in the mesangium and at different locations within the glomerular capillary wall.
- □ In some diseases, autoantibodies bind to specific renal antigens.
- Other conditions in the kidney that favor C activation are increased concentrations of C proteins in the efferent vessels, low pH, increased local concentrations of C proteins due to production by tubular epithelial cells, and high concentrations of ammonia which can activate the alternative pathway.

The glomerular basement membrane does not express C regulatory proteins, although factor H controls alternative pathway activation on the glomerular basement membrane. The apical surface of tubular epithelial cells also does not express C regulatory proteins, and alternative pathway proteins may be activated at this location in proteinuric conditions.
EC, endothelial cell; PO, podocyte; fB, factor B; fD, factor D.

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## GLOMERULAR CAPILLARY: NORMAL VERSUS PATHOLOGY



# GLOMERULAR CAPILLARY PATHOLOGY

- 1. Membranous nephropathy: Subepithelial deposits
- 2. Post-infectious glomerulonephritis: Subepithelial
- 3. Lupus glomerulonephritis: Subendothelial deposits
- 4. IgA Nephropathy: Mesangial deposits
- 5. Goodpasture's Syndrome: Antibody binding to GBM
- 6. Glomerular injury with proteinuria: Podocyte effacement







#### Figure 14-3

Antibody-mediated glomerular injury can result either from the deposition of circulating immune complexes (A) or from formation in situ of complexes (B and C). Anti-glomerular basement membrane (GBM) disease (B) is characterized by linear immunofluorescence patterns, whereas lesions cause immune complexes reveal granular patterns.

## RAPIDLY PROGRESSIVE GLOMERULONEPHRITIS

Clinical Presentation: "Intermediate" stage

- + Failure to recover from Acute Glomerulonephritis: Origin unknown
- + Worsening renal function with irreversible and complete renal failure as the outcome

#### × Pathology & Pathogenesis

- + Intermediate stage between "Acute" and "Chronic"
- + Extracapillary cellular proliferation: 70% of glomeruli
- + Basement membrane gap/discontinuities
- Deposition of anti-GBM antibodies or granular immunoglobulins



# CHRONIC GLOMERULONEPHRITIS

#### × Clinical Presentation

+ Slow progression from acute disease to chronic renal failure (5-20 years)

#### × Pathology & Pathogenesis

- + Capillary or mesangial cellular proliferation
- + Structural obliteration of glomeruli: sclerosing
- + Subepithelial proteinaceous deposits: Membranous glomerulonephritis

# NEPHROTIC SYNDROME

#### × Clinical Presentation

- + Marked proteinuria (albuminuria) >3.5 g/24hr with hypoalbuminemia
- + Edema
- + Hyperlipidemia
- + Fat bodies in the urine
- × Pathology & Pathogenesis
  - + Minimal cellular infiltration of glomeruli
  - Deposition of antigen-antibody complexes in the subepithelium space

### NEPHROTIC SYNDROME: CLINICAL MANIFESTATIONS

- × Decreased oncotic pressure: loss of serum protein:
  - + Intravascular volume depletion with syncope, shock and acute renal failure
  - + Activation of renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system
  - + Activation of sympathetic nervous system
  - + Increased secretion of vasopressin
  - + Hyperlipidemia: Increases hepatic VLDL production
- × Loss of other plasma proteins:
  - + Increased susceptibility to infection
  - + Hypercoagulability
  - + Vitamin D deficiency: loss of Vit D binding protein
  - + Altered thyroxine binding protein/thyroid tests

# NEFROTIC VS. NEFRITIC SYNDROME

- \* Nephrotic diseases:
  - + Severe proteinuria
  - + Immune complex deposits in subepithelium space
  - + No cell inflammation reaction
  - + Increased TAG (as a response to severe chronic proteinuria)
- × Nephritic diseases
  - + Variable proteinuria
  - + Immune complex deposits in subendothelial space and/ or in basal membrane
  - + Cell inflammatory reaction

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION



