

# **NEPHROTIC SYNDROME**

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**Renal Block** 

### Membranous Glomerulonephritis



Membranous glomerulonephritis (The common cause of Nephrotic syndrome in adults): the capillary loops are thickened and prominent, but the cellularity is not increased.

#### Membranous Glomerulonephritis



Close-up of glomerulus illustrating rigid, uniformly-thickened capillary walls (H&E stain, 400x original magnification).

#### Membranous Glomerulonephritis



Early stage II membranous glomerulonephritis: The thickened capillary wall shows numerous "holes" in tangential sections, indicating deposits. (Deposits do not take up the silver stain.) Well-developed spikes around the deposits are not present here.

# NEPHRITIC SYNDROME (RPGN)

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Gross appearance of RPGN - note the flea beaten appearance



Seen here within the glomeruli are crescents composed of proliferating epithelial cells. Crescentic glomerulonephritis is known as rapidly progressive glomerulonephritis (RPGN) because this disease is very progressive



Crescentic glomerulonephritis in a patient with Rapid Progressive Glomerulonephritis (RPGN) . All types of RPGN are characterized by glomerular injury and formation of crescents with monocytes and macrophages proliferation compressing the glomerulus



In severe injury, fibrin contribute most strongly to crescent formation. Epithelial cells of Bowman capsule are proliferated . Infiltrating WBCs such as monocytes and macrophages also proliferate compressing the glomerulus, forming a crescent-shaped scar



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# **RENAL TUMORS**

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# BENIGN RENAL TUMORS

#### **RARE Tumors**

- Papillary Adenoma (SIZE very important)
- Fibroma/ Hamartoma
- Angiomyolipoma
- Oncocytoma (very red, granular, mitochondria)

# **Oncocytoma - Gross**



<u>Gross</u> appearance of a renal oncocytoma (left of image) and a slice of a normal kidney (right of image). Note the rounded contour, the mahogany colour and the central scar

# Oncocytoma



Oncocytes are very **RED** and granular

# Angiomyolipoma



Benign tumor composed of vessels, smooth muscle and fat

# MALIGNANT RENAL TUMORS

- Renal Cell Carcinoma :
  - Clear Cell Carcinoma
  - Adenocarcinoma
  - Hypernephroma
- Urothelial (Transitional)

# Renal Clear Cell Carcinoma – Gross pathology



Patient presents with hematuria, flank pain and palpable mass (abdomen).

Well circumscribed partly yellowish and partly haemorrhagic cortical renal mass showing a pseudo capsule.

# Renal Clear Cell Carcinoma – Gross



Renal clear cell carcinoma. The tumor is well demarcated from the surrounding non-neoplastic renal parenchyma by a pseudocapsule

- Tumor cells are large polygonal with clear cytoplasm (dissolved glycogen and lipid) and piknotic nuclei.
- Cells are arranged as alveolar groups or tubules with papillary formations separated by thin fibrovascular septae.
- Cells show pleomorphism and mitosis.
- Areas of haemorrhage and necrosis are present.
- Gene which may be responsible for this condition:
  VHL gene on chromosome 3.



The most common type of renal cell carcinoma (clear cell) - on right of the image : Cells with clear cytoplasm, typically arranged in nests and Nuclear atypia is common. Non-tumour kidney is on the left of the image



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Areas of haemorrhage. Clear tumor cells. Pleomorphic nuclei.

# WILM'S TUMOR

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# Wilm's Tumor – Gross Pathology



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Blastema in WT consists of sheets of densely packed small blue cells with hyperchromatic nuclei, little cytoplasm and conspicuous mitotic activity.



- 1. Spindle cell stroma.
- 2. Blastema.
- 3. Abortive glomeruli.

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Wilm's tumor resembles the fetal nephrogenic zone of the kidney. Three major components: Undifferentiated blastema cells , epithelial tissue which shows attempts to form primitive glomerular & tubular structures and mesenchymal (stromal) tissue

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The epithelial component in this Wilm's tumor consists of primitive cuboidal cells forming tubular structures and rosettes.

# CARCINOMA OF RENAL PELVIS AND URETER

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#### Urothelial (Transitional) Carcinoma of Renal Pelvis

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More commonly infiltrative and prognosis is more worse than urothelial carcinoma of the bladder

#### Urothelial Carcinoma involving Ureter - Gross

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A nephroureterectomy specimen showing bulbous expansion of proximal ureter near the renal pelvis caused by papillary urothelial carcinoma

#### Papillary Urothelial carcinoma of the renal pelvis – Low Grade

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Low-grade papillary urothelial carcinoma shows minimal cytologic and architectural atypia. Adjacent papillary fronds may fuse, as seen in this image

# CARCINOMA OF THE URINARY BLADDER

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# Urinary Bladder Carcinoma – Urothelial (Transitional cell) papillary Carcinoma – Gross

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90% of bladder cancers are transitional cell carcinoma. The other 10% are squamous cell carcinoma, adenocarcinoma, sarcoma, small cell carcinoma, and secondary metastases

#### Papillary Urothelial Carcinoma of Bladder - Gross

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Bladder showing multifocal papillary mucosal neoplasm.

Risk factors for the development of papillary urothelial carcinoma of bladder:

- a- Exposure to aniline dyes.
  - Cigarette smoking.
  - Treatment with cyclophosphamide.
  - Schistosoma haematobium infestation.
  - Persistent urachus.

#### **Transitional Carcinoma of Bladder - Gross**

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The mucosa of the open urinary bladder appears edematous. There are several whitish or red nodules and patches indicative of a multi-focal nature of this tumor

#### Bladder Tumor invading the Uterus – Gross

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Urinary bladder carcinoma infiltrating the urinary bladder wall with extension to the uterus .

#### Papillary Urothelial carcinoma – Low Grade

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The low grade tumors show overall preservation of cell polarity, few mitoses, and lack of significant morphologic atypia. This exophytic papillary tumor shows multiple finger-like projections lined by multiple layers of urothelium (transitional epithelium)

### Papillary Urothelial Carcinoma – Low Grade

![](_page_40_Picture_1.jpeg)

High power view of a low-grade papillary urothelial carcinoma. There are scattered hyperchromatic nuclei and typical mitotic figures

### Papillary Urothelial carcinoma – High Grade

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This high-grade papillary urothelial carcinoma shows highly pleomorphic and hyperchromatic nuclei with voluminous cytoplasma.

#### Urothelial (Transitional) carcinoma – HPF

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Almost all cases of Bladder carcinomas are originating from the transitional epithelium. Bladder carcinoma might be squamous cell in nature. Chronic inflammation of the bladder mucosa, caused by stones or schistosomiasis may lead to it. Rarely, it presents as adenocarcinoma

# PATHOLOGY OF RENAL ALLOGRAFT

### Acute Cellular Allograft Rejection

![](_page_44_Picture_1.jpeg)

This kidney was removed because of acute transplant rejection. Note the swollen and hemorrhagic appearance of this entire kidney.

### Acute Cellular Allograft Rejection

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# Swollen and hemorrhagic appearance of acutely rejected renal allograft

#### Acute Cellular Allograft Rejection – Type I

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Tubulitis, ie, infiltration of tubular epithelium by lymphocytes, is the hallmark of type I interstitial acute rejection

### Acute Humoral Rejection (AHR) – Type I

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Humoral (Antibody-mediated) rejection, type I. Acute tubular injury is evident, without neutrophils in capillaries. Peritubular and glomerular capillary inflammation with neutrophils, and necrosis of arteries

#### Hyperacute Allograft Rejection

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Hyperacute rejection. The cortex shows diffuse hemorrhage and neutrophils in peritubular capillaries with prominent glomerular thrombi 1 day after transplantation

### **Chronic Allograft Rejection**

![](_page_49_Picture_1.jpeg)

Chronic vascular rejection of a renal transplant, which has a poor prognosis. Note the thickened arteries with intimal fibrosis and also chronic inflammation.

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