# Urological emergencies

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#### Traumatic

- Kidney
- ureter
- bladder
- urethra

#### Non-traumatic

- hematuria
- renal colic
- testicular torsion
- Urinary retention

### **Renal colic**

#### Case

# A 24-year-old male presented with left flank pain for 2 days.



## **Differential Diagnosis**

- Radiculitis (pseudo-renal)
- Leaking abdominal aortic aneurysms
- Pneumonia
- Myocardial infarction
- Ovarian pathology (e.g., twisted ovarian cyst)
- Acute appendicitis
- Testicular torsion
- Inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's, ulcerative colitis)
- Diverticulitis
- Ectopic pregnancy
- Burst peptic ulcer
- Bowel obstruction

### Investigations

OCBC

• Renal profile

OUrine analysis

olmaging (which one)

#### KUB





#### US













#### **Gold Standard**

• CT without contrast





• Next?

### Treatment

oHydration

oAnalgesia

Medical expulsion therapy

oWhen do you admit/intervene?

### Indications

oInfection

ORenal impairment

Persistent nausea and vomiting

• Persistent pain not responding to oral analgesia

Failure of medical therapy

### Case

Same patient presented with fever and increase left flank pain

CBC: Elevated WBC

Renal profile : Normal

CT: Same

### Treatment

 $\circ$ Hydration

○Analgesia

○UA and C/S and blood C/S

•Broad spectrum antibiotics

OUrine diversion

### Urine diversion

• DJ stent



Nephrostomy



### Why?

• Antibiotic levels are low with obstruction



• Sepsis if definitive therapy



#### Indications

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### Hematuria

#### Case

A 60-year-old male presented to the emergency room with red urine for 2 days.



- Presence of RBC in urine
- Classification:
  - Microscopic
  - Macroscopic (gross)

## General urological history

LUTS (LUTS cause) Pain (clot or pathology) (infectious process) Fever Timing of hematuria (origin or cause) (severity of bleeding) Clots Color (severity or cause) Shape of clot (location) Similar episodes (chronic)

## Eliminate DDx

Beet	Urine discoloration
Trauma	Urological trauma, Myoglobinuria
Swimming	Schistosoma
Family history	Nephrological, hematological or neoplasm
Drugs	Discoloration or Bleeding
Smoking	Cancer
Occupation	Cancer
Bleeding disorders	Hematological disorder

### Eliminate DDx

- Bleeding from other site
- Post exercise

Generalized cause Exercise induced hematuria

#### **Table 1. Differential Diagnosis of Hematuria**

#### **Glomerular causes**

Familial causes

Fabry disease

Hereditary nephritis (Alport syndrome) Nail-patella syndrome

Thin basement membrane nephropathy

Primary glomerulonephritis

Focal segmental glomerulosclerosis

Goodpasture syndrome

Henoch-Schönlein purpura

Immunoglobulin A nephropathy (Berger disease)

Mesangial proliferative glomerulonephritis Postinfectious glomerulonephritis Rapidly progressive glomerulonephritis Secondary glomerulonephritis Hemolytic uremic syndrome

Systemic lupus nephritis

Thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura

Vasculitis

#### Metabolic causes

Polycystic kidney disease Renal artery embolism Renal papillary necrosis Renal vein thrombosis Sickle cell disease or trait

#### **Renal causes**

Arteriovenous malformation Hypercalciuria Hyperuricosuria Loin pain–hematuria syndrome Malignant hypertension Medullary sponge kidney Tubulointerstitial cause Vascular cause Urologic causes Benign prostatic hyperplasia Cancer (kidney, ureteral, bladder, prostate, or urethral) Cystitis/pyelonephritis Nephrolithiasis Prostatitis Schistosoma haematobium infection Tuberculosis Other causes

Drugs (e.g., nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, heparin, warfarin [Coumadin], cyclophosphamide)

Trauma (e.g., contact sports, running, Foley catheter)

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## Severity of hematuria



### Management

Investigations

Treatment

NOTE: together

### Investigations

- Any hematuria case:
  - $^{\circ}$  UA and CS
  - Urine cytology
  - Imaging
  - Cystoscopy
- If bleeding significant:
  CBC
  - Coagulation profile

### Cystoscopy







## Imaging





### Treatment

- Any hematuria case:
  Treat the cause
- If bleeding is significant:
  - Admit and monitor
  - IV line and hydration
  - Cross match
  - 3 way catheter
  - Bladder irrigation

### **Bladder irrigation**





## **Urinary retention**

- Inability to void
- Classification:
  - Acute
  - Chronic

#### Case

A 60-year-old male presented to the emergency with abdominal pain and inability to void for 1 day.


## Causes

- o Benign prostatic enlargement (BPE) due to BPH
- o Carcinoma of the prostate
- o Urethral stricture
- o Prostatic abscess
- o Stones
- o Constipation

- Pelvic prolapse (cystocoele, rectocoele, uterine)
- Urethral stenosis
- Urethral diverticulum
- Post surgery for 'stress' incontinence
- pelvic masses (e.g., ovarian masses)

## Investigations

- CBC
- Renal profile
- UA & CS
- US

Do you complete the workup before treatment?

#### o Urethral catheterization



#### • What if you failed?

• Suprapubic catheter



#### • Treatment of the underlying cause

### Causes



## **Testicular torsion**

### Case

#### A 15-year-old patient came with scrotal pain for 1 hour.

Category	Diagnose
Infectious or Inflammatory	Acute Epididymitis/Epidiymo-orchitis
	Fournier's Gangrene
	Mumps orchitis
	Appendicitis
	Nephrolithiasis
Vascular	Testicular torsion
	AAA
	Torsion of the appendix testes
	Varicocele
latrogenic	Post-vasectomy pain
Neoplasm	Testicular germ cell tumor
Degenerative	-
Idiopathic	Idiopathic Scrotal Edema
Congenital	Testicular torsion
Anatomic, Allergic or Autoimmune	IgA Vasculitis
Trauma	Testicular rupture
	Testicular Hematoma
Environmental or Endocrine	-

## Acute scrotum

 Testicular torsion: more serious
Irreversible ischemic injury to the testicular parenchyma may begin as soon as 4 hours

o Testicular salvage ↓ as duration of torsion  $\uparrow$ 



#### Epididymitis: more common

## Testicular torsion

- o common in teenagers (12-18)
- o rare after 25
- o can occur in children and neonates

## **Testicular torsion**

Irreversible ischemic injury > 4 hours (salvageability 6 hours)

- Presentation
- Physical exam
- Investigations
- Treatment



A. Normal anatomy, B. The "bell-clapper" deformity, C. Loose epididymal attachment to testis, D. Torsed testis with transverse lie.

## Management

Investigations

• Treatment:

Can be immediate with no confirmation

## Investigations

#### o US doppler

#### • Nuclear medicine





oSurgical

bilateral Orchidopexy

o +\_ Orchiectomy







# Urethral injury

## Case

A 25-year-old male was involved in MVA. Hemodynamically stable.
Seen and assessed by trauma team. ABCDE done. Patient is having pelvic fracture stabilized by external fixation.

• Foley catheter insertion failed.

## Types

#### Anterior

posterior

# Signs

- Orinary retention or palpable bladder
- blood at urethral meatus
- Inability to pass urethral catheter
- high riding prostate
- o hematoma



## Suprapubic catheter



#### o Next?

## **Definitive Treatment**

#### Realignment



#### Urethroplasty



## Penetrating injury

Penetrating Anterior Urethral Injuries: generally managed by surgical debridement and repair

# Bladder injury

## Types

#### Intra-peritoneal

#### Extra-peritoneal

## Case

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Patient having hematuria

## Hematuria

• Upper tract imaging > later

Bladder imaging > cystogram





#### • Next?

## Case

 A 25-year-old male received blow to lower abdomen. Hemodynamically stable. Seen and assessed by trauma team. ABCDE done.

• Patient having hematuria and lower abdominal pain.



#### ○ Next?

# **Renal injury**

## Case

A 30-year-old male received a stab to left thoracic region.
Hemodynamically stable. Seen and assessed by trauma team. ABCDE done. Left chest tube was inserted.

Patient having hematuria



• Next?

## Indication for renal imaging

- Macroscopic haematuria
- Penetrating chest, flank, and abdominal wounds
- Microscopic [>5 red blood cells (RBCs) per high powered field] or dipstick
- Hypotensive patient (SBP <90mmHg)</li>
- A history of a rapid acceleration or deceleration
- Any child with microscopic or dipstick haematuria who has sustained trauma
# Triphasic CT (urography)

Phase	Time	Indications
No contrast	(Q)	Kidney/ureteral stones, arterial calcifications
Arterial	20 - 30 sec	Abdominal bleeding, aortic aneurysm, arterial stenosis/occlusions, hypervascular liver metastases, pancreas tumors
Portal venous	60 - 80 sec	Screening, hypovascular liver metastases, abscess formation, venous thrombosis
Nephrogenic	80 - 100 sec	Kidney tumors, kidney trauma
Equilibrium /delayed	6 - 10 min	Ureteral obstruction or leaks, characterization of liver tumors

### CT



○ Grade?

## **Conservative management**

- 1. Wide Bore IV line.
- 2. Bed rest
- 3. Vital signs monitoring.
- 4. serial CBC (HCT)
- 5. F/up US &/or CT.

### Case

#### • Patient developed increase in hematuria. Hb dropped from 11 to 8.

oNext?

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### $\circ$ Next?

### Surgical exploration

- Persistent bleeding (persistent tachycardia and/or hypotension failing to respond to appropriate fluid and blood replacement
- Expanding peri-renal hematoma (again the patient will show signs of continued bleeding)
- Pulsatile peri-renal hematoma

# Questions