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HEMATURIA

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Hematuria

is a common finding on urinalysis with a prevalence rate between 1% and 2%.

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Presentations of Hematuria

- ✦ Gross hematuria
- ✦ Microscopic hematuria with clinical symptoms
- ✦ Asymptomatic microscopic (isolated) hematuria
- ✦ Asymptomatic microscopic hematuria with proteinuria

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Diagnosis:

The most sensitive test for detecting the presence of blood in the urine is abnormal urine strip test.

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Urine Strip Test:

The reagent utilizes the pseudoperoxidase activity of hemoglobin (or myoglobin) to catalyze a reaction between hydrogen peroxide and the chromogen tetramethylbenzidine to produce an oxidized chromogen, which has a green blue color.

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Urine Strip Test:

Strips can detect concentration of 2-5
RBC/HPF

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False negative urine dipstick:

- ✦ High specific gravity urine
- ✦ High ascorbic acid concentration in the urine.

False positive urine dipstick:

- ✦ Delayed reading
- ✦ Cross contamination of urine from other chemicals such as oxidized agent, (household bleach)

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Confirmation of hematuria

Urine Microscopy:

- ✦ Centrifuge 10 ml of urine for 5 minute
- ✦ Decant the supernatant
- ✦ Re-suspend the sediment in 0.5 ml of urine
- ✦ Place on a slide with a cover slip
- ✦ Count the number of RBC. In 20 fields and report the average

Positive Test:

> 5 RBC/HPF

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Definition of hematuria:

- 5 RBC's /HPF in three of three consecutive, fresh, centrifuged urine specimens obtained at least 1 week apart.

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Localization of hematuria:

Limits diagnostic possibilities for patients and prevent unnecessary testing.

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Classification:

- ✦ Glomerular hematuria
- ✦ Non-Glomerular hematuria

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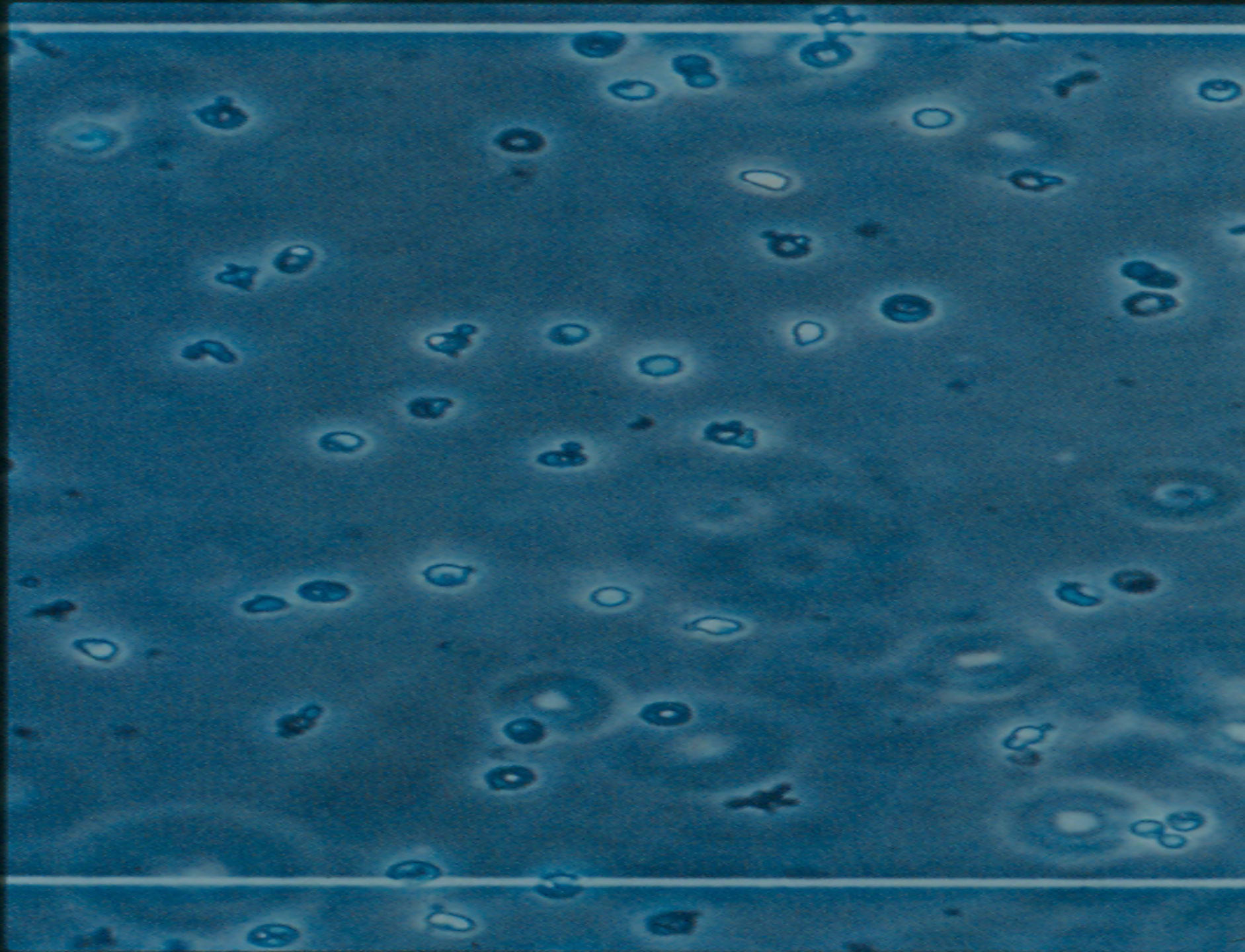
Glomerular hematuria, Clinical presentation:

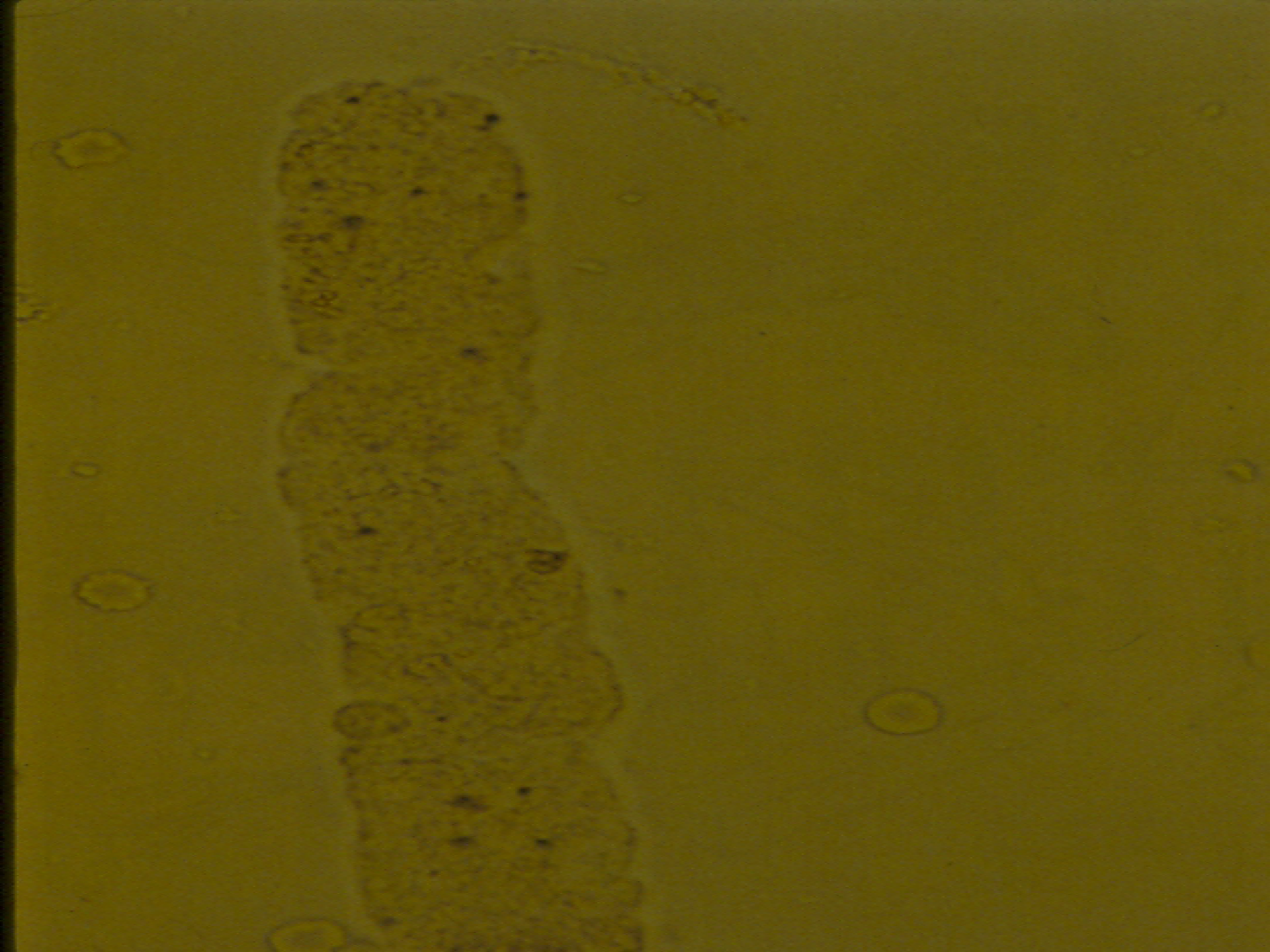
- ✦ Oliguria, edema
- ✦ Hypertension
- ✦ Symptoms of systemic disease (e.g. arthritis, rash).

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Glomerular hematuria:

- ✦ Brown tea, cola-colored urine
- ✦ Concomitant proteinuria
- ✦ Cellular cast
- ✦ Dysmorphic erythrocytes in phase-contrast microscopy
- ✦ Low MCV of erythrocyte by automated analyzer





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RBC CASTS:

RBC casts are best visualized at the edges of the cover slip and tend to dissolve in urine of high PH.



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Causes of Glomerular hematuria:

- ✦ Post-infectious glomerulonephritis
- ✦ IgA nephropathy
- ✦ Henoch-Schönlein purpura
- ✦ Hereditary nephritis
- ✦ Benign familial hematuria
- ✦ Membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis
- ✦ Lupus nephritis

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Postinfectious GN:

- ✦ Begins 7-21 days after group A before-hemolytic streptococcal infection
- ✦ Antibiotic treatment for the infections will not prevent the nephritis
- ✦ Present with tea colored urine, edema and hypertension.
- ✦ May present with only microscopic hematuria.

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Postinfectious GN (cont.)

- ✦ ASO may be negative early in the course.
- ✦ C₃ low in 90% of patients for 6 weeks
- ✦ C₄ normal
- ✦ Microscopic hematuria may persist for 2 yrs.

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IgA nephropathy:

- ✦ The most common chronic GN in Europe and Asia.
- ✦ The most common cause of hematuria in children
- ✦ 15% of children with Prolonged hematuria (> 1 year) will have IgA nephropathy
- ✦ Present with gross hematuria during viral illness.

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IgA nephropathy..... (cont..)

- ✦ Microscopic hematuria present between episodes of gross hematuria
- ✦ There is no laboratory test diagnostic of GN
- ✦ Diagnosis by histopathologic demonstration of mesangial deposition of IgA
- ✦ 25% of children with IgA nephropathy will progress to chronic renal insufficiency.
- ✦ Poor outcome: crescentic GN, older age group, hypertension, nephrotic range proteinuria.

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Alport hereditary nephritis:

- ✦ Episodes of recurrent or persistent microscopic hematuria.
- ✦ Family History: male individuals with nerve deafness and progression to ESRD
- ✦ Type IV collagen is abnormal and the basement membrane is disrupted.
- ✦ The diagnosis is confirmed by renal biopsy.

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Alport hereditary nephritis... (cont.)

- ✦ Hearing test should be done regularly to prevent speech or educational handicap.
- ✦ Good-posture diseases post transplant (small risk)
- ✦ Female may have a hearing deficit without any urinary abnormalities.

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Benign Familial Hematuria:

- ✦ Thin glomerular basement membrane nephropathy.
- ✦ Occurs in at least 1% of the population.
- ✦ Inherited as AD or AR manner.
- ✦ Absence of proteinuria, renal failure, hearing deficits, or ophthalmologic abnormalities.
- ✦ Microscopic hematuria, dysmorphic RBC's

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Rapidly Progressive GN:

- ✦ Presents with symptoms and signs similar to APIGN
- ✦ Require the urgent attention of a Pediatric Nephrologist.
- ✦ Laboratory Studies show ARF
- ✦ Renal biopsy demonstrates glomerular crescent.
- ✦ Untreated RPGN can result in ESRD in a few weeks.

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Causes of non-Glomerular hematuria:

- ✦ Hypercalciuria
- ✦ Infections (bacterial or viral)
- ✦ Papillary necrosis (HbS)
- ✦ Urolithiasis
- ✦ Trauma
- ✦ Foreign body
- ✦ Exercise-induced hematuria

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Hypercalciuria:

- ✦ Increased urinary excretion of ca despite normal s. ca
- ✦ Present in 5% of healthy children
- ✦ Most frequent cause of isolated hematuria in non-glomerular hematuria patients.

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Idiopathic Hypercalciuria:

- ✦ Renal hypercalciuria: result from a tubular leak of calcium.
- ✦ Absorptive hypercalciuria : results from increased gastrointestinal absorption of calcium.

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Idiopathic Hypercalciuria:

- ✦ There is often a family history of renal stones.
- ✦ Symptoms include dysuria, suprapubic pain, renal colic.

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Idiopathic Hypercalciuria:

- ✦ Present with microscopic hematuria and episodic gross hematuria.
- ✦ Urine RBC's are shaped normally with no cast.
- ✦ The mechanism of the hematuria involve irritations to the renal tubules by ca-containing crystals.
- ✦ High risk of development of renal stones.

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Idiopathic Hypercalciuria:

- ✦ Screening for hypercalciuria: spot urinary ca/creatinine ratio.
- ✦ A ration of > 0.21 is indicative of hypercalciuria.
- ✦ Confirmation of hypercalciuria by collecting a timed (either 12 or 24 hours) urine for ca excretion.
- ✦ An excretory rate of greater than 4 mg/kg/day is abnormal.

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Idiopathic Hypercalciuria:

- ✦ Increase fluid intake to dilute the urine.
- ✦ Severe ca restriction should be avoided.
- ✦ Hydrochlorothiazide (HCT) decrease urinary ca excretion.
- ✦ HCT in a child with isolated hematuria with no previous nephrolithiasis is not recommended.

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History clues:

- ✦ Duration and pattern of hematuria
- ✦ Family history (hematuria, renal failure, deafness, urolithiasis)
- ✦ Pharyngitis, URTI
- ✦ Dysuria or other symptoms of urinary infections
- ✦ Rash (HSP)
- ✦ Abdominal pain (infections, stone, HSP)
- ✦ Drugs (anticoagulant)

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Physical examinations clues:

- ✦ Hypertension, edema, pallor
- ✦ Rash, impetigo
- ✦ Abdominal or flank tenderness (infection)
- ✦ Abdominal mass (tumors)
- ✦ Ecchymoses, petechiae, hemangiomas
- ✦ Evidence of abdominal trauma
- ✦ External genitalia for trauma or bleeding
- ✦ Growth pattern
- ✦ Hearing test

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Basic Laboratory Evaluation:

- ✦ Urine culture
- ✦ CBC
- ✦ Serum creatinine
- ✦ Aso titre
- ✦ Urine ca: creatinine ratio
- ✦ Urine protein: creatinine ratio
- ✦ C3
- ✦ Renal ultrasonography
- ✦ First degree relatives urine test

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The initial referrals are to the Pediatric Nephrologist rather than to the Pediatric Urologist.

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Other evaluation procedures:

- ✦ Renal biopsy
- ✦ Cystoscopy
- ✦ Renal angiography (rarely indicated)



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