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INFECTIOUS DISORDERS		
CONNECTIVE TISSUE DISORDER		
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Objectives

- Discuss etiology, pathophysiology, clinical manifestations, and collaborative management of:
- Osteoporosis, gout, osteopenia, Paget's disease, osteomalacia and osteomyelitis
- Osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, septic arthritis, Sjogren's syndrome, and scleroderma

Metabolic Bone Disease

- Osteoporosis
- □ Gout
- Paget's Disease
- Osteomalacia

Osteoporosis

- $\hfill\square$ Porous bone
- \square Low bone mass
- Structural deterioration of bone tissue
- □ Increased bone fragility
- Known as the silent thief
 Robs the skeleton of it's
 - banked resources
 Associated with aging



Osteoporosis

- Risk factors
 - Family history
 - Female
 - Low bone mass at age 25-35
 - Caucasian or Asian
 - Small build
 - Life style
 - Insufficient calcium intake
 - Inactivity
 - Smoking
 - Excessive alcohol
 - Chronic diseases



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Osteoporosis: Etiology and Pathophysiology

- Exact patho unclear
- Bone resorption exceeds bone deposition
- Bone mass loss
 - Older women 35-50%
 - Older men 20-35%
- Osteoporosis most commonly in the bones of the spine, hips, and wrists

Osteoporosis - Clinical Manifestations

- $\hfill\square$ Back pain or spontaneous fracture
- \square Fracture from minimal trauma
- $\hfill\square$ Hip, vertebral or wrist fracture
- Collapsed vertebrae resulting in loss of height and kyphosis
- $\hfill\square$ Spinal deformities
- □ Severely stooped posture

Osteoporosis - Diagnosis

□ H&P

- $\hfill\square$ Bone density scan
- Lab tests
 - Alkaline Phosphatase (ASP)
 - Serum bone Glaprotein
 - Serum Calcium
 - \blacksquare Thyroid function test

Osteoporosis – Collaborative Management Preventative Health promotion Nutrition Medication HRT Calcium supplements Vitamin D Biphosphonates Androgens Pain management Fall prevention Exercise

Osteoporosis - Nursing Diagnoses

□ Risk for injury

- $\hfill\square$ Impaired physical mobility
- $\hfill\square$ Acute pain or chronic pain
- $\hfill\square$ Impaired nutrition less than body requirements
- Health seeking behavior

Osteopenia

- □ What is osteopenia?
 - Bone mineral density (BMD) that is lower than normal peak BMD, but not low enough to be classified as osteoporosis
 - Can be a precursor to osteoporosis

Gout

- Inflammatory response to high uric acid level
- Deposites of urates in connective tissue
- Inflammation causes nodules – tophi
- Primary or secondary disorder
- □ Affects >84% of all Americans



Gout - Clinical Manifestations

- Pain, swelling, redness, warmness, stiffness in affected joint
- Inflammation of tissues around joint causes skin to be swollen, tender - sore if even slightly touched
- Usually attacks the big toe first (75% of first attacks)
- □ Acute onset and usually occurs at night

Gout - Manifestations





- □ Three stages:
 - Asymptomatic hyperuricemia
 - Acute gouty arthritis
 - Chronic (tophaceous) gout

Gout -Diagnosis

- By clinical symptoms
- □ Serum uric acid levels
- □ Urinary uric acid levels
- Evaluation of fluid aspirated from acutely inflamed joint or material aspirated from a tophus
 This is the most definitive test for gout
- □ CBC (elevated WBC)
- Elevated ESR during acute attack

Gout –Interdisciplinary Care

□ H&P

Medication

Colchinine

- Allopurinol ■ NSAIDs
- Corticosteroids
- Diet
 - Vit E
 - Amino Acids
 - Dark berries
 - Low purine diet
- □ Weight loss for obese patients $\hfill\square$ Liberal fluid intake
- Rest

Gout - Nursing Diagnosis

- Acute pain
 - Assess affected areas
 - Position affected joint for comfort
 - Protect joint from pressure
 - Take NSAIDs and anti-gout meds as prescribed Watch for side effects of medication
 - Bedrest
- □ Knowledge deficit
 - Disease and manifestation
 - Rationale for meds
 - Importance of increase fluids
 - Alcohol abstinence

Paget's Disease (Osteitis Deforma) • An excess of bone

- destruction and unorganized bone formation
- Cause is unknown • Average age at dx is 50-
 - 60 yrs
- Affects the axial skeleton



Paget's

- Pathophysiology:
 - Slow progression
 - \blacksquare Osteoclastic bone resorption
 - Osteoblastic bone formation
 - \blacksquare New bone larger and weak
 - Vascularity increases
 - \blacksquare Soft bone becomes hard and brittle







Paget's Collaborative Management

Relieve pain

 $\hfill\square$ Prevent or minimize complications

 \square Medication

- Pain relieve
- Biphosphonates
- Calcium supplement
- Surgery

Paget's Nursing Diagnosis

□ Chronic pain

- Assess location and quality
- Heat therapy and massage
- Teach NSAID, placement of brace/corset
- □ Impaired physical mobility
 - Assitive device when ambulating
 - Teach placement of brace/corset, good body mechanics

Osteomalacia (Adult Rickets)

Vitamin D deficiency resulting in decalcification and softening of the bone

- Not enough Vitamin D in diet
- Not enough exposure to sunlight
- Impaired intestinal absorption of fats
- Increased renal loss or decreased absorption of phosphate
- □ Same as Rickets in children





Osteomalacia -Collaborative management

- Correct Vitamin D deficiency
 Increase diet intake
 Expose to sunlight
- $\hfill\square$ Calcium and Phosphate supplement
- □ Safety measures to prevent falls
- □ Encourage exercise
- $\hfill\square$ Teach use of assistive devices

Degenerative Bone Disease

□ Osteoarthritis (OA)

Most common of all arthritisLeading cause of pain and disability in

elderly Loss of articular cartilage in joints

- ■90% people has x-ray evidence of OA by
- age 40
- ■Gender and ethnicity effects
- ■Localized
- ■generalized





OA - Clinical Manifestations

- □ Joint involvement
 - Joint pain
 - Joint stiffness
 - Crepitus
 - Joint enlargement
 - Decreased ROM
 - Flexion contractures
 - Rarely does joint appear to be hot and inflamed (secondary synovitis)



OA - Diagnosis

□ H&P

- □ X-ray
- Lab test
 - HA hyaloronic acid





OA – nursing Diagnosis

- Chronic pain r/t muscle spasms and cartilage deterioration
- Impaired physical mobility r/t pain and degenerative changes
- □ Self care deficit

Autoimmune and Inflammatory Disorder

Rheumatoid Arthritis

- Systemic disease
- Gauses inflammation of the connectivity
- tissue
- □ 3 times as likely in women
- Onset age 20-40
- Cause unknown
 - Genetic link?
 - Infectious link?
 - Environmental link?Hormonal link?



Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA) Patho

- $\hfill\square$ Auto-antibodies form attack healthy tissue,
- $\hfill\square$ Inflammation first in synovial membrane
- $\hfill\square$ Inflammation spreads:
 - articular cartilage,
 - joint capsule,
 - ligaments and tendons
- Synovium thickens creating pannus:



RA - Manifestation

Fatigue

- Loss of appetite
- □ Low grade fever
- Muscle and joint aches
- □ Stiffness
 - Most notable in the morning
- $\hfill\square$ Multiple joints inflamed in symmetrical pattern
- $\hfill\square$ Joints red, swollen, painful, and tender

Systemic Symptoms of RA

- □ Sjogren's syndrome
- D Pleuritis
- Pericarditis
- 🗆 Anemia
- Vaculitis

Diagnosis of RA

- □ History and physical examination
- Abnormal blood antibodies called:
 - Rheumatoid factor (RF) found in 80% of patients
 Antinuclear antibody (ANA)
- □ Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate (ESR)
- □ Joint X-rays: swelling of the soft tissue
- $\hfill\square$ Bone scanning: can show inflamed joints
- $\hfill\square$ Examination of the synovial fluid

RA - Management

- Relieve pain
- Reduce inflammation
- Rest and exercise
- Plasmapherises
- □ Alternative treatments
- Medication
 - NSAIDs
 - Corticosteroids (oral)
 - Antirheumatic
 - Corticosteroids (injection)

RA – Nursing Diagnosis

 $\hfill\square$ Chronic pain

Fatigue

- $\hfill\square$ Ineffective role performance
- $\hfill\square$ Disturbed body image

Infectious Disorder: Osteomyelitis

- Bacterial infection of bone
 Cause fungus, parasites, virus, and bacteria (Staphylococcus Aureus most common)
- \Box Acute: new bone infection lasting < 6 weeks
- □ Chronic: bone infection present > 6 weeks or recurring bone infection

Osteomyelitis - Patho

- Most common cause direct contamination of bone
 - Invasion from adjacent soft tissue infection

Peripheral artery disease

Bacteria lodge and multiply in bone







Etiology

- Hematogenous Osteomyelitis
 - Sources of pathogens: UTI, soft tissue infections, endocarditis, and infected IV sites
 - Spine is common site of infection in adults
 - Affects older adults, IV drug abusers, sickle cell anemia
- Surgical prosthesis
 Hip and knee replacements

Etiology (continued)

- Osteomyelitis from a contiguous infection
 - Infection from adjacent soft tissues
 - Most common cause of osteomyelitis in adults
 - Often due to:
 - Direct penetrating wounds
 - Decubitus ulcers
 - Neurosurgery
- Osteomyelitis associated with vascular insufficiency
 - Those with DM and PVD are at risk
 - Neuropathy exposes foot to trauma and pressure ulcers
 - Infection can spread to bone

Manifestations of Osteomyelitis

 $\hfill\square$ Low grade fever, malaise

- Cardiovascular effects Tachycardia
- □ GI effects

Nausea and vomiting, Anorexia

- MS effects
 - Limp , Localized tenderness
- Integumentary effects
 - Drainage and ulceration
 - Swelling, erythema, and warmthLymph node involvement

Osteomyelitis

Diagnosis

- Bone scans
- MRI and CT scan
- Biopsy
- Blood tests
 - \blacksquare Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) will be elevated
 - Elevated C-Reactive protein
 - CBC (WBC will be elevated)
- Blood cultures

Osteomylitis - Management

Medication

- Antibiotic therapy
- Analgesics
- Surgery
 - Debridement

Osteomyelitis – Nursing Diagnosis

- $\hfill\square$ Risk for infection
- Hyperthermia
- $\hfill\square$ Impaired physical mobility
- \square Acute pain

Septic Arthritis

- □ Joint space invaded by pathogen
- Risk factors include bacteremia, RA
- \square Manifestation
- Abrupt onset
- Joint hot, swollen, painful, fluid filled
- Fever chills
- Medical emergency
 Aspirate fluids
 - Aspirale

 - □ Immobilize

Connective Tissue Disorder

- Scleroderma
- □ Sjogren's Syndrome

Scleroderma - Etiology

- □ A chronic autoimmune disease
- □ 300,000 people in the US
- Ages affected 25-55 (Female > male)
- No known cause 2 Types



- Localized
- Systemic

Scleroderma Localized vs systemic			
 LOCALIZED Thickened, hardened skin and scarring Skin appears tight, reddish, or scaly. Extreme itching Can be limited around fingers or in large areas such as limbs. Discipling but not fatal 	 SYSTEMIC All skin symptoms CREST Complications Musculoskeletal Lungs Heart Digestive tract Kidneys 		

Scleroderma - diagnosis

- $\hfill\square$ Diagnosis is usually due to clinical suspicion.
- □ ANA id autoimmune process
- $\hfill\square$ ESR up in inflammatory process
- \square CBC anemia
- $\hfill\square$ Bone biopsy confirm dx

Scleroderma Collaborative Management

- □ Treatment based on symptoms
- Medication
 - Calcium channel blocker (Raynaud's)
 - ACE inhibitors
 - H2 receptor blocker
- Physical therapy
- Stretching of muscles important
- Dialysis

Sjogren's Syndrome

- Stime dask
- Causes inflammation of exocrine glands
 Mucosal dryness
- Eyes
- Throat
- Lungs
- Vagina
- Skin

Sjorgen's

Diagnosis

- ∎ H&P
- Schirmer's test
- Treatment
 - Supportive
 - Artificial tears
 - Increased fluid intake
 - Avoid med that dry mucous membranes (i.e. decongestants)

NCLEX

- The nurse administers Allopurinal to a client with gout. The nurse explains that the goal of this therapy is to:
- $\hfill\square$ A. Increase bone density
- $\hfill\square$ B. Decrease synovial swelling
- $\hfill\square$ C. Decrease uric acid production
- $\hfill\square$ D. Prevent crystallization of uric acid

NCLEX

A client with RA asks the nurse why the MD is going to inject hydrocortisone into the knee joint. The nurse explains that the most important reason for the injection is to:

■ A. Lubricate the joint

- B. Reduce inflammation
- \blacksquare C. Provide physiotherapy
- D. Prevent ankylosis of the joint

NCLEX

Which medication should the nurse anticipate being perscribed to relieve the pain experienced by a client with RA?

- A. Xanax, 0.5 mg PO TID
- B. Ibuprofen 400 mg PO every 4 hours
- C. Codeine 30 mg PO every 4 hours
- D. Meperidine 30 mg PO every 4 hours