NURS 821 Gastrointestinal Disorders

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Asthma Phases

- Early response-10-20 minutes post AG contact
 - AG contact with IgE on mast cells causes immediate inflammation and release of inflammatory mediators-histamine, bradykinin, leukotrienes, prostaglandins, thrombaxanes
- Late response-occurs 4-8 or 6-10 hours post exposure
 - Infiltrates of eosinophils and neutrophils



Most people have combined forms!

C.O.P.D. Incidence

- 5th leading cause of death in the U.S.
- 13.5 million in U.S. with C.O.P.D.
- Greater incidence in males
- Greatest increase in COPD death rate from 1979-1989 occurred in females, especially black females

Directly due to cigarette smoking (NIH, 2000)

Chronic Bronchitis

- Definition:
 - Bronchial irritation and inflammation due to irritants or infection
 - Chronic mucus hypersecretion and cough for at least 3 months/year for 2 consecutive years

Chronic Bronchitis Pathophysiology

- Chronic bronchial inflammation and mucus hypersecretion
 - Bronchial tube narrowing
 - Mucus and pus impede
 - ciliary action
 - Leads to cough, expectoration, and infection





C.O.P.D. Comparisons

<u>Chronic bronchitis</u>

- Manifestationschronic cough, infections; dusky
- Pathophysiology-
 - narrowed bronchi due
 - to inflammation
 - Cilia impede by mucus and pus
- Manifestations-barrel shaped chest; plethoric
 Pathophysiology Alveoli coalesce due to

• Emphysema

- Alveoli coalesce due to wall damage
 Bronchioles collapse
- Bronemoles conaps
 Inelastic tissue
- Lungs enlarge due to
- trapping – Exhalation difficult

Cystic Fibrosis (CF)

- Definition-Autosomal recessive disease caused by mutations on long arm of chromosome 7. Etiology-Cystic fibrosis transmembrane regulator (CFTR) defect
- CFTR-regulates and participates in electrolyte transportation across epithelial cell membranes and probably intracellular membranes



Cystic Fibrosis Inheritance

- Autosomal Recessive Inheritance
 - 2 carriers mate
 - Produce 1 normal
 - 2 carriers
 - 1 CF



Cystic Fibrosis

• Incidence-



- 30,000 Americans - 3,000 Canadians
- 20,000 Europeans
- · Afflicts predominantly Caucasians of Northern European heritage
 - Low incidence in African, Native, and Asian Americans

CF

- 2,500 babies born in U.S. each year
- 1/20 Americans (12 million) is an *unaffected (and* <u>unaware) carrier</u>
- Over 500 gene mutations, only 70 tested!
- Many variations in clinical manifestations! Manifestations due to exocrine gland dysfunction causing abnormal mucus secretion and obstruction
- (NIH, 2000)

CF Pathophysiology

- Defective CFTR results in disturbed chloride transport across secretory epithelium
 - Compensatory sodium retention
 - Increased cell water retention
 - Cell surface dehydration
 - Mechanical obstruction
 - Chronic inflammation

CF Manifestations

• <u>GI</u>

• <u>Respiratory</u>

- Infectionspseudomonas, staph pneumonia, persistent pneumonia
- Pansinusitis or nasal
- polyps
- Recurrent bronchiolitis
- extremities Distal intestinal obstruction, meconium ileus

Failure to thrive-any age; distended abdomen, thin

- Rectal prolapse

malabsorption

Steatorrhea

- Intussusception
- Unexplained cirrhosis, cholelithiasis, or pancreatiis before age 30
- Vits. A,D,E, K deficiency

CF Manifestations

• Miscellaneous

- Salty skin-sweat testing for chloride concentration
- anemia
- Hypoproteinemia or anasarca
- Hyponatremic dehydration
- Metabolic alkalosis
- Clubbing
- Azoospermia or infertility



CF and Sinusitis

- 14% suffer from chronic sinusitis
- Common in CF
- DNA of 147 w/ sinusitis compared to 123 without
- 10 of study group had CF mutations in CFTR gene, but not CF
- Concluded: sinusitis sufferers 5X more likely to carry CFTR mutation
- Wang, X. et al. (2000). JAMA 284(14):1814-1819.

Atypical CF

- DX late childhood or adulthood
- Lack classic manifestations
- DX usually due to pancreatitis, congenital absence of vas deferens with azoospermia, or nasal polyps
 - Embryologic development of vas deferens requires higher levels of CFTR than other organs

Lung Cancer Manifestations

• Progressive cough

• Hemoptysis

• Constant chest pain



- S.o.b., wheezing, hoarseness
- Recurrent pneumonia or bronchitis
- Neck or facial edema
- Constitutional symptoms-anorexia, wt. loss, fatigue

Lung Cancer Risk Factors

- Air pollution
- Heredity
- Tobacco
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- Cigarettes-ppd, length, inhalation techniques
- Cigars and pipes-same variables. If no inhalation-mouth cancer risk
- Environmental tobacco smoke (secondhand smoke)

Lung Cancer Types

- Nonsmall cell lung cancer
 - More common than small cell
 - Grows and spreads more slowly
 - Types:
 - Squamous cell (epidermoid) carcinoma-45-60%
 - Adenocarcinoma-30%; slow; smokers and non
 - Large cell carcinoma-15%; poor prognosis
 - (NIH, 2000)

Lung Cancer Types (cont'd)

• Small cell lung cancer

- Less common
- Grows more quickly
- Metastasizes more quickly
- (NIH, 2000)

