# Esophageal Diseases & Surgery



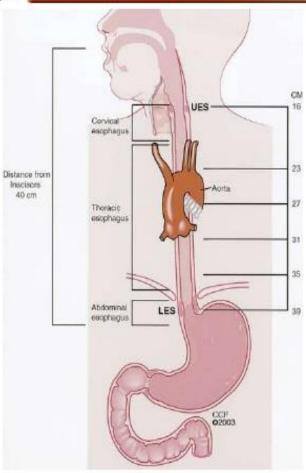
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#### **Esophageal Anatomy**



Upper End: C6 (the inferior pharyngeal constrictor merges with the cricopharyngeus)

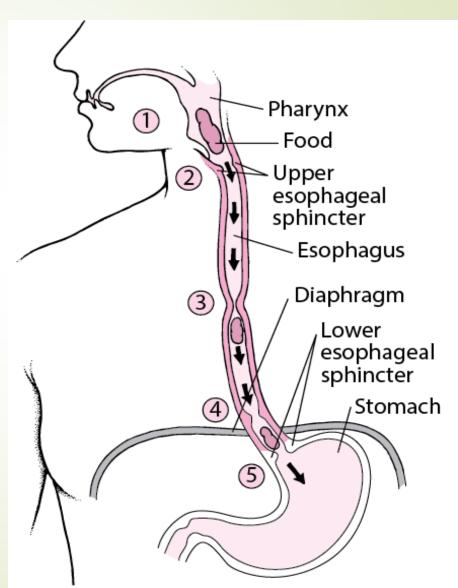
\_ Upper esophageal sphincter (UES)

Lower End: T11
(thickened circular smooth
muscle) \_\_ Lower
esophageal sphincter
(LES)

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#### Esophageal surgical diseases:

- 1-Esophagitis (GERD)
- 2-Esophageal motility disorders
- 3-Hiatal Hernia



#### 1- Esophagitis

#### Corrosive esophagitis

Caused by ingestion strong acid or base chemical

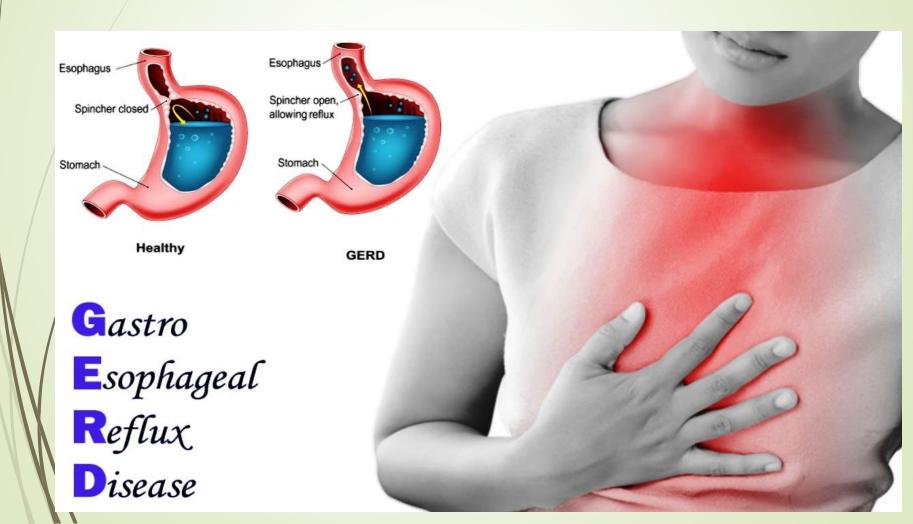
like: lyes or HCL



#### Infection Esophagitis

- Commonly seen in AIDS and Immunocompromised patient
- Viral and fungul infaction
- Odynophagia is main syptom of infaction

## Gastro-Esophageal Reflux Disease (GERD)



- Gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), also known as acid reflux, is a long-term condition in which stomach contents rise up into the esophagus, resulting in either symptoms or complications.
- Symptoms include the taste of acid in the back of the mouth, <u>heartburn</u>, <u>bad breath</u>, <u>chest pain</u>, breathing problems.
- Complications include <u>esophagitis</u>, <u>esophageal stricture</u>, and <u>Barrett's esophagus</u>
   (esophagus linning become thicken due to acid reflex )

## **Pathophysiology**

- Primary barrier to gastroesophageal reflux is the lower esophageal sphincter
- LES normally works in conjunction with the diaphragm
- If barrier disrupted, acid goes from stomach to esophagus

## Symptoms of GERD

- Heartburn [burning sensation in your chest]
- Dysphagia
- Odynophagia
- Regurgitation
- Sensation of lump in your throat

#### **Factors That Can Aggravate GERD**

- Diet Caffeine, fatty/spicy foods, chocolate, coffee, peppermint , citrus, alcohol
- Position/Activity Bending, straining
- External Pressure pregnancy, tight clothing

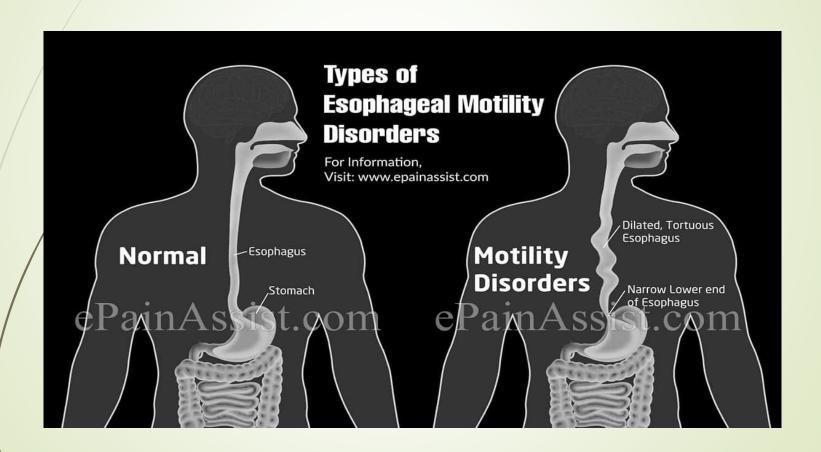
#### **Treatment**

■ 1- antiacid : quick work by neutilize HCL acid like Gaviscon

2- histamine H2 blocker: more effective than antiacid like rantidine and cemitidine

3- proton pump inhibitar: better than H2 inhibiter and antiacid like omeprazole and lansoprazole

#### 2- Motility Disorders:



### Achalasia

- Means damage to nerves in the esophagus
- Esophagus become paralyzed and loss the ability to squeeze food to the stomach
- The deference between achalasia and GERD

was that in achalasia food come from esophagus

While in GERD food come from stomach

- Achalasia is a rare disorder in which damaged nerves in your esophagus prevent it from working as it should. Muscles at the lower end of your esophagus fail to allow food to enter your stomach.
- Symptoms include trouble swallowing, heartburn and chest pain.
- Treatment includes both nonsurgical (Botox injections, balloon dilation, medicines) and surgical options

#### **3-Hiatal Hernia**

- Hiatal hernia occurs when the upper part of stomach pushed through an opening in the diaphragm and into chest cavity
- The diaphragm is the thin muscle wall that seprated the chest cavity from abdomen

