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## **CABG**

## 1.1 Investigations for IHD

- ECG (first line)
- Cardiac enzymes (in acute coronary syndrome)
- Exercise tolerance test
- Echo: Evaluate
  - ventricular function
  - regional wall motion abnormalities
  - valvular lesions

### • Coronary angiography: gold std

- Extent, severity and location of stenoses
- ->70% reduction of diameter (i.e.  $>\!\!90\%$  reduction of cross-sec) => severe

# 1.2 Indications for surgery

- > 50% stenosis of the left coronary artery ("left main stem")
- > 50% stenosis of the proximal LAD
- 2/3 main coronary arteries diseased (RCA, LAD, LCx)

## 1.3 Graft selection

### **Types**

• Venous: long saphenous vein

#### • Arterial:

- LIMA most common
  - \* left internal mammary / left internal thoracic artery
  - \* Branch of  $left\ subclavian$
- Others
  - \* RIMA
  - \* Radial
  - $* \ Gastroepiploic \\$
  - \* Inf epigastric

# Blood transfusion

## 2.1 Indications

- Acute blood loss
- Periop anaemia
- Symptomatic chronic anaemia

# 2.2 Complications

## Single transfusion

- Haemolysis (haemolytic transfusion reaction)
- Fever (febrile transfusion reaction)
- Allergic reaction
- Infections
  - Hep B, C
  - HIV
  - Malaria
  - Bacterial inf
- Air embolism
- Thrombophlebitis
- TRALI

### Massive transfusion

- Coagulopathy
- Hypothermia

- Hypo-Ca
- Нуро-К
- Hyper-K

## 2.3 Blood & blood products

- Whole blood
- Components
  - Packed red cells
  - FFP
    - \* Plasma stored at -40 to -50°C
    - \* Rich in coagulation factors
    - \* 2y shelf-life
  - Cryoprecipitate
    - \* Supernatant of FFP
    - \* Rich in <u>[factor VIII]</u>, <u>[fibrinogen]</u>, and <u>[vWF]</u> (von Willebrand factor)
      - · Without vWF, factor VIII has a very low half life. So normally in blood it's transported bound to vWF.
    - \* Stored at -30°C
    - \* Indications:
      - · Haemophilia
      - · Fibrinogen deficiency
      - · Von Willebrand disease
  - Platelet concentrate
  - Prothrombin complex concentrate

## 2.4 Clinical factoids

- Target Hb level: 10g/dL
- 1 unit transfusion = 1g/dL improvement

## Burns

## 3.1 Mechanism of fluid loss

Intense inflammation in burnt areas  $\to \uparrow$  permeability  $\to$  leakage of fluid into extravascular compartment

### 3.2 Assessment

- Rule of 9:
  - First approx
  - Adult
    - \* Head-neck  $\rightarrow$  9%
    - \* Each upper limb  $\rightarrow 9\%$
    - \* Torso front 18%
    - \* Torso back 18%
    - \* Each lower limb 18%
    - \* Perineum 1%
- Lund and Browder chart
  - More accurate
- For smaller burns, a piece of paper about the size of the hand to measure the burnt area directly. Size of hand  $\approx 1\%$ .

## 3.3 Fluid resuscitation

#### **Indications**

- If >10% TBSA in children or >15% TBSA in adults (B&L)
- To correct hypovolaemia
- " " electrolyte imbalance
- To prevent shock
- To provide nutrition

### **Principles**

- Parkland formula:  $4 \cdot W \cdot A$  mL fluid for the 1st 24h
  - Infuse  $\frac{1}{2}$  over 8h,  $\frac{1}{2}$  over 16h
- First  $12h \rightarrow \text{crystalloid}$  only (massive fluid shift to extravascular compartment takes protein out with it)
- Then add colloid (human albumin solution)
  - Provides necessary oncotic pressure for keeping infused fluid within the vascular compartment

## 3.4 Definitive management

### Superficial partial-thickness burns

- Regular dressing
- Heal spontaneously within 2 wks without scar irrespective of choice of dressing

### Deep partial-thickness/full-thickness burns

- Nanocrystalline silver dressing until surgery (to prevent colonisation)
- Escharotomy for circumferential full-thickness burns
- Debridement + split-skin grafting
- Without surgery, heal by hypertrophic scarring

### Nanocrystalline silver dressing

• 1% silver sulfadiazine

- 0.5% silver nitrate
- Mafenide nitrate
- $\bullet$  Silver sulfadiazine + cerium nitrate

# Grafts and Flaps

### 4.1 Graft

- Tissue transferred without its original blood supply
- Need to revascularise in recipient site

### Types of skin graft

- Split-thickness skin graft: epidermis + part of dermis
- Full-thickness skin graft: epidermis + whole dermis
- Composite skin graft: skin + cartilage, skin + fat etc.

# 4.2 Flap

• Tissue transferred with its original blood supply

# 4.3 Causes of graft failure

- Inadequate vascularity of recipient site: due to
  - residual pus
  - residual exudate
  - residual dead tissue
- Haematoma
- Shearing forces
- Group A  $\beta$ -haemolytic streptococcal infection
  - can destroy grafts completely

- hence, contrain dication to grafting

# Important anticancer drugs

#### • Mitosis interferers

- 1. Vincristine
- 2. Vinblastine
- 3. Taxanes (e.g. Paclitaxel)
- Antimetabolites (i.e. DNA synthesis inhibitors)
  - 1. Methotrexate
  - 2. 5-FU

### • DNA damagers

- 1. Platinum drugs
  - Cisplatin
  - Carboplatin
  - Oxaloplatin
- 2. Cyclophosphamide
- 3. Bleomycin
- 4. Doxorubicin
- 5. Etoposide

#### Hormones

- 1. Tamoxifen: ER blocker (Breast ca)
- 2. Goserelin: GnRH analogue/LHRH agonist; downregulate ant. pituitary  $\rightarrow \downarrow$  testosterone (Prostate ca)
- 3. Flutamide: Androgen antagonist (Prostate ca)
- 4. Bromocriptine: D2 agonist; blocks ant. pituitary stimul (Pituitary tumour)

# Deadly Dozen and ATLS

# 6.1 "Deadly dozen" of chest injury

### Immediately life threatening

Manage in 1° survey

- Airway obstruction
- Tension pneumo
- Open pneumo
- Massive haemothorax
- Flail chest
- Pericardial tamponade

## Potentially life threatening

Manage in 2° survey

- Tracheobronchial injury
- Oesophageal injury
- Aortic injury
- Myocardial contusion
- Pulmonary contusion
- Diaphragm rupture

# Lung cancer

# 7.1 Types

- Non-small cell (NSCLC)
  - Squamous
  - Adeno
  - Large cell
  - Carcinoid
- Small cell (SCLC)

## 7.2 Features

- Cough (esp. changing cough)
- Dyspnoea
- Haemoptysis
- Wt loss
- Chest pain
- Clubbing
- Pancoast  $\rightarrow$  compress sympathetic trunk  $\rightarrow$  *Horner's* 
  - Miosis
  - Enophthalmos
  - Anhidrosis
  - Partial ptosis
- Paraneoplastic features (SCLC)
  - SIADH

- Cushing
- Lambert-Eaton

## 7.3 Investigations

### Diagnostic

- Chest X-ray
- Chest CT
- Sputum cytology
- Bronchoscopy + biopsy
- PET-CT

### Staging

- USG whole abdomen
- X-ray skull
- Bone scintigraphy (aka isotope bone scan)
- Pleural fluid cytology (if effusion)

## 7.4 Treatment

- If NSCLC && within T3 N1 M0
  - Surgery: Choice depends on extent of pathology
    - 1. Segmentectomy
    - 2. Lobectomy
    - 3. Pneumonectomy
  - Chemo:
    - 1. Platins
    - 2. Gemcitabine
  - Radio
- Else (i.e. SCLC and > T3N1M0 NSCLC)
  - Palliative therapy
  - Surgery not helpful
  - Median survival: a few months

# Orthopaedics

# 8.1 Orthopaedic emergencies

Open DESC

- Open fracture
- Dislocation
  - Because dislocation  $\Rightarrow$  ruptured synovial membrane  $\Rightarrow$  stoppage of synovial fluid production  $\Rightarrow$  articular cartilage, which has no blood supply and derives nutrition from synoFlu, eventually dies  $\Rightarrow$  waiting too long can lead to permanent joint immobility
- Epiphyseal injury
- $\bullet$  Septic arthritis
- Compartment syndrome

# 8.2 Osteomyelitis

### **Types**

According to duration, acute and chronic.

#### Acute

### ■ Causative organisms

- Staph aureus
- Strep pyogenes
- Strep pneumo (pneumococcus)
- Salmonella
- Pseudomonas

#### ■ Clinical features

- Severe pain
- Tenderness
- Restricted movement
- Raised local temperature
- Fever (high grade)
- Tachycardia

### ■ Radiology

- Early phase
  - MRI: more sensitive in early phase
    - \* bone oedema
    - \* periosteal elevation
  - X-ray:
    - \* may be normal
    - \* soft tissue swelling
- 5-7d later
  - X-ray:
    - \* osteopoenia
    - \* periosteal new bone formation

#### Chronic

#### ■ Causative organisms

- TB (*Myco TB*)
- Syphilis (Trepo pallidum)
- Fungal
- Parasitic

#### ■ Clinical features

- Chronic discharging sinus
- Pieces of bone may come out through the sinus
- Joint swelling, stiffness
- May be past history of acute osteomyelitis
- May be recurrent pain, fever, swelling (acute on chronic)

### • Sequestrum A segment of bone that is

- Devitalised
- Avascular
- Surrounded by pus/granulation tissue

#### • Involucrum

- Subperiosteal bone deposition surrounding the sequestrum.
- Purpose: walling off the sequestrum
- Cloaca: opening in involucrum due to rising pressure of the pus underneath

### ■ Radiology

- Bony destruction
- Surrounding soft tissue swelling
- Sequestrum
- Subperiosteal reaction (involucrum)

### ■ Management:

Sequestrectomy and saucerization followed by antibiotic therapy for 6 wks according to C/S report of pus

# Complications of osteomyelitis

- Chronic osteomyelitis (if acute)
- Deformity
- Pathological fractures
- Septic arthritis
- Septicaemia

# 8.3 Congenital clubfoot / talipes equinovarus

### **Terminology**

- Talipes = clubfoot
- Equinus deformity  $\Rightarrow$  dorsiflexed foot
- Varus deformity  $\Rightarrow$  plantar surface turned *inwards* (in-verted)
- Valgus deformity  $\Rightarrow$  plantar surface turned *outwards* (e-verted)

### Deformities in Congenital Clubfoot

#### CAVE

- Forefoot Cavus
- Midfoot Adductus
- Hindfoot
  - Varus
  - Equinus

#### **Treatment**

- Conservative: Ignacio Ponceti method
  - Serial plastering over 6 wks to correct deformities
- Surgical: PMR (postero-medial release)
  - If conservative fails

# 8.4 Low Back Pain (LBP)

#### Causes

- Strenuous work
- Primary Back Pathologies
  - Spondylosis: degenerative arthritis of the spine
  - Spondylolysis: defect in pars interarticularis without slippage
  - Spondylolisthesis: forward slippage of vertebral body
  - Lumbar disc herniation
  - Spinal stenosis: narrowed spinal canal  $\rightarrow$  compression of spinal cord/nerve roots
  - Fractures
  - Cauda equina syndrome
    - \* Compression of cauda equina nerve roots
    - \* Most freq cause  $\Rightarrow$  lumbar disc protrusion at L4/5
  - Scoliosis
  - Discitis

#### • Infections

- Epidural abscess
- Pott's disease

#### • Metastatic disease

- Sources:
  - \* Thyroid
  - \* Breast
  - \* Lung
  - \* Kidneys
  - \* Prostate

#### Autoimmune conditions

- Ankylosing spondylitis

## Investigations

- Plain X-rays
- CT: Best for assessing bone anatomy
- MRI: Detailed visualization of
  - Spinal cord
  - Meninges
  - Epidural space
  - Discs
  - Nerve roots
  - Bone marrow
- Bone scintigraphy
- DEXA (dual energy x-ray absorptiometry) scan: measure bone density
- Provocative discography
- Spinal biopsy

# Breast cancer

# 9.1 Aetiology

- Age
- Sex
- Genetic: family history (BRCA1, BRCA2, TP53)
- Geographic: † in West
- Diet:
  - Low in phytoestrogens
  - High in alcohol
- *Endocrine*: due to less exposure to *oestradiol* 
  - More in
    - \* Nullipara
    - \* Obese: fat converts steroid hormones to oestradiol
    - \* OCP/HRT users
    - \* Early menarche
    - $* \ Late \ menopause$
  - Less in
    - \* Breastfeeders
    - \* First child at early age

### 9.2 Features

- Hard lump (painful in <10%)
- Nipple discharge
- Nipple retraction

- In advanced,
  - Peau d'Orange ( $\geq T_3$ ): due to lymphatic congestion
  - Ulceration ( $\geq T_3$ )
  - Fixation to chest wall ( $\geq T_3$ )
  - Palpable axillary nodes ( $\geq N_1$ )
- Constitutional
  - Wt loss
  - Anaemia
  - Anorexia

# 9.3 Staging

- 1. TNM
- 2. Manchester (i, ii, iii, iv)

#### TNM

- T: Tumour size
  - -1: < 2cm
  - -2:2-5cm
  - 3: 5-10cm
  - -4:>10cm
- N: Nodal involvement
  - 0: No palpable axillary nodes
  - 1: Mobile palpable axillary nodes
  - 2: Fixed palpable axillary nodes
  - 3: Palpable supraclavicular nodes
- M:
  - 0: No distant mets
  - 1: Distant mets

### Manchester

•  $\mathbf{Stg}\text{-}\mathbf{I} = T_1N_0M_0$ 

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- $\mathbf{Stg}\text{-}\mathbf{II} = T_2N_1M_0$
- Stg-IIIa =  $T_3N_2M_0$
- Stg-IIIb =  $T_4N_3M_0$
- Stg-IV =  $M_1$  (irrespective of T and N stage)

### 9.4 Treatment

### **Options**

- Surgery
  - Conservative
    - \* Lumpectomy
    - \* Quadrantectomy
    - \* Oncoplastic lumpectomy (lumpectomy + reconstruction to restore normal appearance)
  - Mastectomy
    - \* Simple
    - \* Radical
    - \* Modified radical mastectomy (MRM = simple + axillary node dissection)
- Chemo
- Radio
- Hormone: tamoxifen
- Immuno: herceptin (trastuzumab)

### Protocol

- Stg-i: conservative surgery
- Stg-ii:
  - MRM + chemo + horm (if ER+) + immuno (if HER+)
- Stg-iii:
  - Neoadjuvant chemo 2-3 cycles to downstage
  - Then mx of stg-ii
- Stg-iv:

- Palliative
- Toilet mastectomy + chemo + radio + horm + immuno

# Random-ish general surgery concepts

## 10.1 Sepsis, SIRS, MODS, MSOF

- SIRS (Systemic inflammatory response syndrome)
  - Any two of
    - Hyperthermia (>38°C) or hypothermia (<36°C)
    - Tachycardia or tachypnoea
    - Leucocytosis or leucopoenia
  - Causes
    - Sepsis
    - Polytrauma
    - Burns
    - Pancreatitis without infection

### • Sepsis

- SIRS + documented infection
- MODS (Multiple organ dysfunction syndrome)
  - Systemic effect of SIRS
- MSOF (Multiple system organ failure)
  - End stage of uncontrolled MODS
  - Includes

- Heart failure
- Liver ""
- Pulmonary ""
- Shock

## 10.2 Haemorrhage

- 1°: Occurs immediately due to injury/surgery.
- Reactionary: Within 24h
  - Due to
    - dislodgement of clot as a result of resuscitation and blood flow restoration
    - slippage of ligature

#### • 2°: Within 7-14d

- Due to sloughing off of vessel wall
  - Precipitated by
    - \* Infection
    - \* Pressure necrosis
    - \* Cancer

## • Principles of haemorrhage control

- Pressure
- Position (elevation in case of limb)
- Packing
- Cautery (diathermy)
- Ligation

# 10.3 Incisions in abdominal surgery

## ■ Upper midline

•  $\begin{bmatrix} xiphoid \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} umbilicus \end{bmatrix}$ 

#### • Structures cut

- Skin
- Subcutaneous tissue
- Linea alba
- Fascia transversalis
- Parietal peritoneum
- Advantages
  - Rapid
  - Less vascular area  $\Rightarrow$  less bleeding
- Disadvantages
  - Less vascular area  $\Rightarrow$  heals late
  - ↑ wound dehiscence, incisional hernia

## ■ Kocher / right subcostal

- From xiphoid, start cutting 2.5cm below parallelly to the costal margin
- Keep cutting till cut length = 10 cm
- Structures cut: ???
- Use: gallbladder surgeries, rt hepatic lobectomy

### ■ Pfannenstiel

- Curved, 2.5cm above and parallel to the arch made by inguinal ligaments, extend equally on both sides of the midline
- Done in
  - Caesarean section
  - Prostatectomy
  - Bladder surgery

# Chapter 11

# Vascular surgery

# 11.1 Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT)

Formation of semisolid coagulum in a deep vein.

#### Virchow's triad

- Abnormal surface (endothelial damage)
- Abnormal flow (stasis / turbulence)
- Abnormal blood (thrombophilia)

#### **Factors**

- Immobility
  - Age
  - Obesity
  - Prolonged surgery
  - Pregnancy
  - Puerperium
  - Varicosity (effect of immobility, the rest are causes)
- Hormone-replacement therapy (high oestrogen)
- Previous DVT / PE
- Thrombophilia

#### Common sites

- Popliteal vein
- Femoral ""

• Iliac ""

## Prevention

- Early mobilization
- Hydration
- Compression stockings
- Prophylactic LMW heparin
- Calf pumps
- Minimal use of tourniquets

### 11.2 Ischaemic limb

(Ischaemia = reduced blood flow, NOT cell death)

#### **Features**

#### • Intermittent claudication

- Debilitating crampy myalgia that is
  - \* reliably brought on by walking
  - \* not present on taking the first step
  - \* reliably relieved by rest
- Raised workload while walking  $\rightarrow$  anaerobic metabolism  $\rightarrow$  intermittent claudication

#### • Rest pain

- Advanced ischaemia
- Anaerobic metabolism occurring even at rest
- Exacerbated by lying down / foot elevation (due to loss of gravitational aid in flow)  $\rightarrow$  pain worse at night and relieved by hanging the foot out of the bed.
- Coldness, numbness, paraesthesia, colour change
- Ulceration
- Gangrene
- Absent/diminished arterial pulse
- Arterial bruit
- Slow capillary refill

#### Investigations

#### **■** Specific

- Doppler USG
- Duplex scan:
  - Duplex = plain USG + doppler
  - Plain USG shows anatomy, doppler shows flow patterns
- Digital subtraction angiography
- CT angiography, MR angiography

#### **■** General

- CBC (see if anaemia)
- RBS
- Lipid profile
- Serum urea and electrolytes

#### **Treatment**

### ■ Non-surgical

- Smoking cessation
- Regular exercise
- Wt loss if obese
- Drugs
  - Beta blocker contraindicated: as sympathetic increases blood flow to muscles
  - Statin
  - Clopidogrel/aspirin
- Angioplasty with/without stenting

#### ■ Surgical

• Bypass operation

## 11.3 Varicose veins

## Management principles

- Avoid prolonged standing
- Compression stockings
- Endothermal ablation
  - Laser ablation
  - Radiofrequency ablation
- US-guided sclerotherapy
  - Sclerosing agent: sodium tetradecyl sulfate
- Open surgery
  - Sapheno-femoral junction (SFJ) ligation + great saphenous vein (GSV) stripping (*Trendelenburg operation*)

# Chapter 12

# Splenectomy

# 12.1 Indications

(Indications marked with  $\star$  are absolute indications)

- Traumatic rupture  $\star$
- Splenic tumours (primary or secondary)  $\star$
- Bleeding varices due to splenic vein thrombosis  $\star$
- Hereditary spherocytosis  $\star$
- Splenic abscess
- Hypersplenism
  - Hypersplenism = splenomegaly + any cytopoenia(s) + improvement of symptoms after splenectomy
- ITP
- Thalassaemia major

# Chapter 13

# Urology

# 13.1 LUTS (lower urinary tract symptoms)

- Storage symptoms: FUN
  - Frequency
  - Urgency
  - Urge incontinence
  - Nocturia
- Voiding symptoms: IHPS
  - Intermittency
  - Hesitancy
  - Poor stream (reduced stream)
  - Straining (muscular effort to initiate maintain or improve urinary flow)
- Post-micturitional symptoms
  - Incomplete emptying
  - Post-mic dribble

## 13.2 Renal stones

#### **Features**

- Asymptomatic
- Ureteric colic:  $loin \rightarrow groin$
- Renal pain: dull loin pain
- Haematuria
- Features of UTI, e.g.:
  - Frequency: too frequent voiding
  - Urgency: sudden compelling desire to urinate
  - Dysuria: burning pain during urination
  - Features of pyelonephritis (if ascending infection), e.g.:
    - \* Fever with chills
    - \* Vomiting
    - \* Renal angle tenderness
    - \* Rigidity, guarding

## Investigations

- X-ray KUB, IVU
- USG KUB
- CT KUB
- Urine RME, culture

- Assess size of stone by USG/CT
- Small ( $\leq$  5mm):
  - Conservative management
  - 90% pass spontaneously
  - Drink plenty of water
  - Analgesics, antispasmodics
  - Antiemetics
  - Mobility
- > 5mm:
  - ESWL

- \* for  $\leq 1.5$ cm stones
- \* cystine stones resistant
- \* results in *steinstrasse* ("stone street")
- \* contra
  - · obese
  - · pregnant
  - · patients on oral anticoagulants
- Ureteroscopy + retrieval by Dormia basket: for  $<\!6\mathrm{mm}$  stones in distal ureter
- PCNL
  - \* for larger stones / ESWL contraindications / ESWL resistant stones
- Open surgeries: depending on location of stone
  - \* Nephrolithotomy
  - \* Pyelolithotomy
  - \* Ureterolithotomy

# 13.3 Bladder stones

#### **Features**

- 8x more common in males
- Asymptomatic
- Frequency
- Sense of incomplete voiding
- Pain (strangury)
  - at the end of micturition
  - referred to the tip of the penis or the labia majora
- Haematuria: terminal, few drops, bright red

# Investigations: usual

- Perurethral litholapaxy
- Percutaneous suprapubic litholapaxy
- Suprapubic cystolithotomy

# 13.4 Ruptured urethra

#### **Features**

- Perineal bruising & haematoma
- Bleeding from urethral meatus
- Urinary retention
- Pain

## Investigations

Confirmed by **urethrography** with water-soluble contrast

• Urethrogram = insert catheter upto urethral meatus, then inject contrast and image with x-rays

## Management

- Antibiotics
- Analgesics
- Catheterisation by percutaneous suprapubic puncture (Seldinger technique)
- After bruising and swelling have setted (8-12wks later), delayed anastomotic urethroplasty.

## 13.5 Bladder cancer

## Painless haematuria in 60yo male

#### 4T

- Tumours
  - $-\ Painless\ gross\ haematuria,\ until\ proved\ otherwise,\ is\ bladder\ cancer$
- TB
- Tension (hypertensive nephropathy)
- Tubular necrosis (ATN)

#### **Features**

- Painless gross haematuria
  - may lead to large clots in the bladder  $\rightarrow$  clot retention
- Frequency
- Pain may arise in later stages due to
  - extravesical spread
  - pyelonephritis

#### Investigations

- Urine culture and cytology for malignant cells
- Hb, urea, electrolytes
- CT, MRI, USG, IVU
- Cystourethroscopy

- Non-muscle invasive tumour: (does not invade the detrusor)
  - Endoscopic resection followed by intravesical BCG chemotherapy
- Muscle-invasive tumour
  - External beam radiotherapy

- Surgery
  - \* Partial cystectomy
  - \* Radical cystectomy and pelvic lymphadenectomy

### 13.6 Prostate cancer

#### **Features**

- Asymptomatic until advanced
- In advanced,
  - Bladder outlet obstruction (boo)  $\rightarrow$  retention
  - Pelvic pain
  - Haematuria
  - Bone pain, arthritis
  - Renal failure
  - Anaemia, pancytopoenia

#### • DRE:

- Hard irregular lump
- Median sulcus obliterated
- Examining finger blood stained

#### Investigations

- Prostate biopsy
  - Transperineal approach: under G/A
  - Transrectal approach: under L/A

#### • PSA

- Normal: < 4 ng/mol
- > 10ng/mol: suggestive
- ->35ng/mol: almost diagnostic of advanced carcinoma
- LFT: liver mets
- ALP: liver or bone mets
- Chest x-ray: lung/rib mets

- Early stage:
  - radical prostatectomy
  - radiotherapy

- $\ast$  external beam radio therapy or
- \* brachytherapy

#### • Late stage:

- orchidectomy ("surgical castration")
- medical castration
  - \* stilbestrol
  - $\ast\,$  LHRH agonists: goserelin
- radiotherapy
- chemo: docetaxel

## 13.7 Testicular tumours

### Classification

- Germ cell tumours
  - Seminoma
  - Nonseminomatous GCT
    - \* Embryonal carcinoma
    - \* Yolk sac tumour
    - \* Choriocarcinoma
    - \* Teratoma
- Interstitial cell tumours
  - Sertoli  $\rightarrow feminizes$
  - Leydig  $\rightarrow$  masculinizes (secretes androgens)
    - \* layDICK  $\rightarrow$  masculin
- Lymphoma

#### **Features**

- Painless testicular lump
- Heaviness (if 2-3x enlarged)
- Gynaecomastia (especially with NSGCT)
- Acute swelling and severely painful testis
  - due to bleeding in the tumour
- Metastatic features
  - abdominal mets: abdominal pain
  - lung mets: dyspnoea, chest pain, haemoptysis

## Investigations

- Confirmed by USG
- AFP: ↑ in NSGCT
- hCG:  $\uparrow$  both seminoma and NSGCT
- X-ray / CT of chest, abdomen, pelvis: for staging

#### **Treatment**

#### Orchidectomy, followed by

- Histopathology: for histological classification
- Stg I
  - **Seminoma**: radiosensitive, only radiotherapy + follow-up
  - NSGCT
    - \* not radiosensitive
    - \* BEP chemotherapy
      - · Bleomycin
      - · Etoposide
      - · Platinum (cisplatin)
- Stg II-IV
  - **BEP chemotherapy** for both seminoma and NSGCT