

## *What is Gout.*

- *Gout is painful condition associated with hyperuricemia that results the formation of uric acid crystals depositing in especially joints and tissues of the body which causes inflammation.*
- **HYPERURICEMIA --**
- 
- *over production,*
- *under secretion or combination of two.*

# *GOUT.*

- *Gout is a metabolic disorder characterized by hyperuricemia due to defective purine metabolism.*
- *Hyperuricemia can lead to deposition of sodium urate crystals especially in joints and kidney.*
- *Types-*
- **Acute**—
  - *it manifest as sudden onset severe inflammation in a small precipitation of urate crystals in joint spaces.*
- **Chronic** --
  - *when pain and stiffness patient persist in a joint between attack, gout becomes chronic.*

# *ETIOLOGY.*

- *Gout occurs due to defective metabolism in which uric acid is the end product.*
- *Main cause of hyperurecemia-*
- *Overproduction of uric acid*
- *Excessive turn over of nucleoproteins.*
- *Excessive dietary purines*
- *Excessive synthesis of uric acid to rare enzyme defect enzyme mutation defect.*
- *Under excretion of uric acid*
- *Defect in renal excretion*
- *Inborn errors of metabolism.*

# Predisposing factor.

- *Purine rich foods.*
- *Caffeine.*
- *Drugs.*
- *Alcohol.*
- *Trauma.*
- *Disease*
  - *a. Lesch – Nyhan syndrome*
  - *b. Von-Gierke's disease.*
  - *c. Syndrome X*
- *Genetic disease.*

# *ACUTE GOUT.*

## ACUTE GOUT -

- Pain –
- swelling
- Fever
- **O/E** –
- Joints-warm,  
erythematous
- tenderness



- Attacks resolve within days to weeks without treatment
- Mc affects the MTP joint of great toe, 1<sup>st</sup> MTP joint- PODAGRA
- Second attack within 1 year in 60% ppl, within 3 yrs in 80% ppl

# CHRONIC GOUT.

- SITE OF TOPHI INCLUDE:
- **1<sup>st</sup> MTPJ** (PODOGRA).
- *Digits of the hand and feet ( most common).*
- *Bursa around elbows and knees.*
- *Achilles tendon*
- *Pinna of the ear.*

## *CHRONIC GOUT.*

- **SIGN AND SYMPTOMS-**
- *Joint damage*
- *Joint pain*
- *Joint stiffness*
- *Articular cartilage may be destroyed resulting in joint deformities.*
- *Patient may develop large subcutaneous Tophi.*

# *GOUT.*

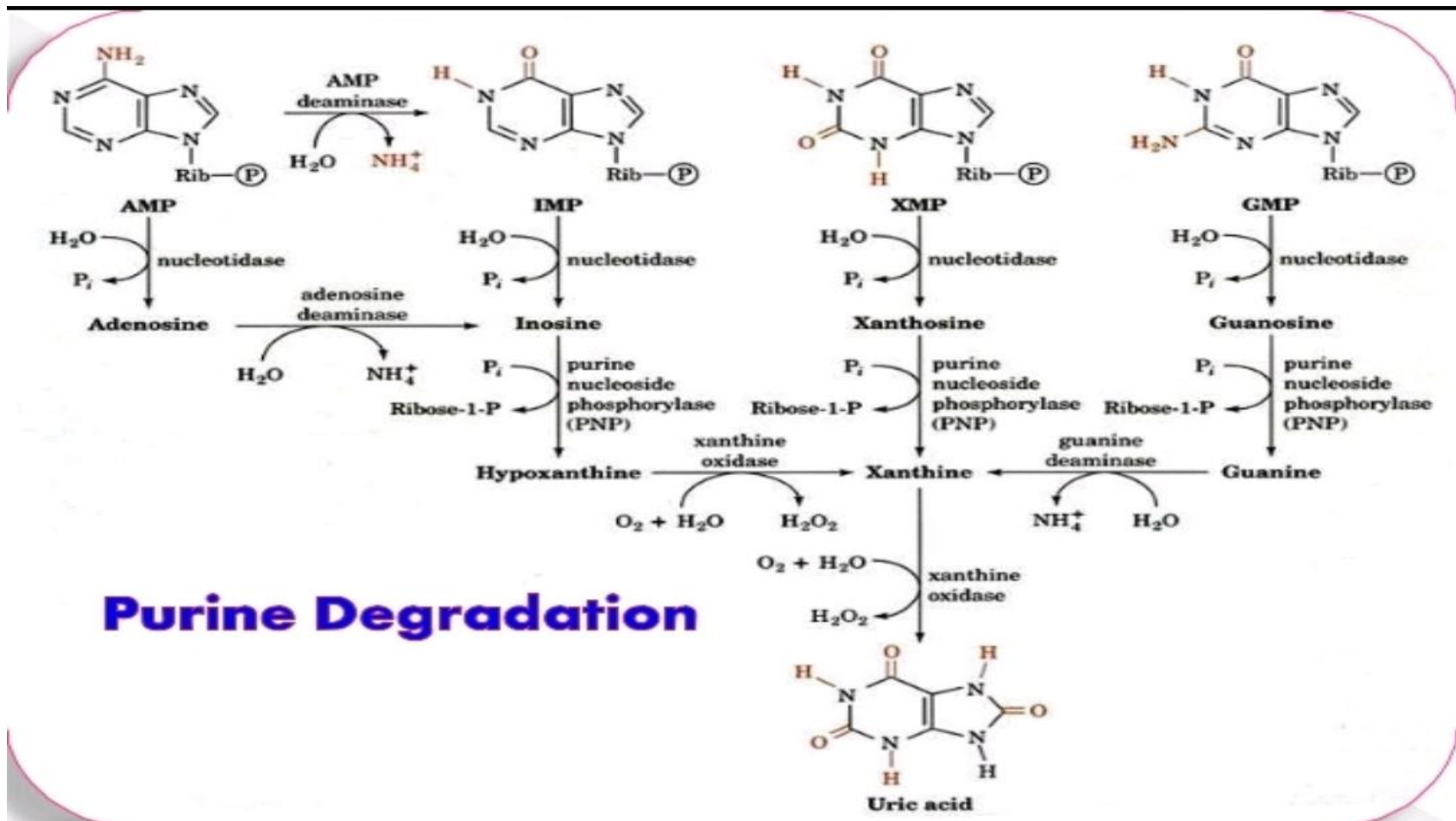
- *Group of disorder presented with*
- *1.Hyperuricemia*
- *2.uric acid nephrolithesis.*
- *3. Acute inflammatory Arthritis.*
- ***TWO TYPES—***
- ***1.primary gout—***
  - *due to defect in the enzy mess that lead to over production of purine nucleotides.*
- *Super activity PRPP synthetase.*
- *Deficiency HGPRTase( Lesh-Nyhan syndrome).*
- *G6PD(Type-1 glycogen storage disorder).*



# ***GOUT.***

- **2. Secondary gout--**
- *A. Increased production of uric acid*
- *Leukemia*
- *Lymphoma*
- *B. Decreased excretion*
- *Renal failure*
- *Thiazides*
- *diuretics*

# PURINE DEGRADATION.



# *Clinical presentation*

- *STAGES*
- *Stage-1 : Asymptomatic hyperuricemia*
- *Stage-2 : Acute gout attack*
- *Stage-3 : Intercritical period*
- *Stage-4 : chronic tophaceous gout.*

# CLINICAL PRESENTATION.

- *Symptoms-*
- *Severe pain, swelling and warmth in the affected joints.*
- *The attack is usually monoarticular and the most common sites are metatarsophalangeal joints of big toe. (Acute gouty Arthritis).*
- *Signs-*
- *Affected joints are warm, red and swollen.*
- *Mild fever may present.*
- *Tophi ( mono-sodium urate crystals) may present in chronic cases.*

# Laboratory.

- *Hyperuricemia*
- *Biochemical hallmark of gout, but not by itself diagnostic for gout.*
- *Leukocytosis.*
- *Increased ESR.*
- *Synovial Fluid-*
- *MSU needle*
- *– like intracellular and extracellular crystals.*
- *Negatively birefringent* needle shaped monosodium urate crystals under polarised light microscopy.

# INVESTIGATION.

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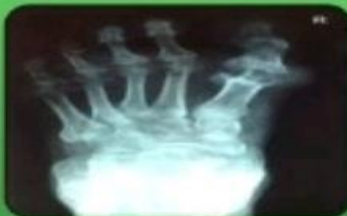
### Blood tests

- Rise in uric acid



### Fluid examination from swelling

- Uric acid crystals



### X-rays

- Long standing cases joint destruction

## *INVESTIGATION.*

- **TO DETECT THE PRESENCE OF MEDICAL CONDITION ASSOCIATED WITH GOUT/ HYPERURICEMIA —**
- Full blood count/differential count—
- To exclude infection or myeloproliferative disease.
- Serum creatinine/ urea—
- To exclude hyperuricemia due to renal disease.
- Serum uric acid-hyperuricemia is not equivalent to gout.
- Blood glucose--- to exclude DM.
- Lipid profile
- Urinalysis.

# *INVESTIGATION*

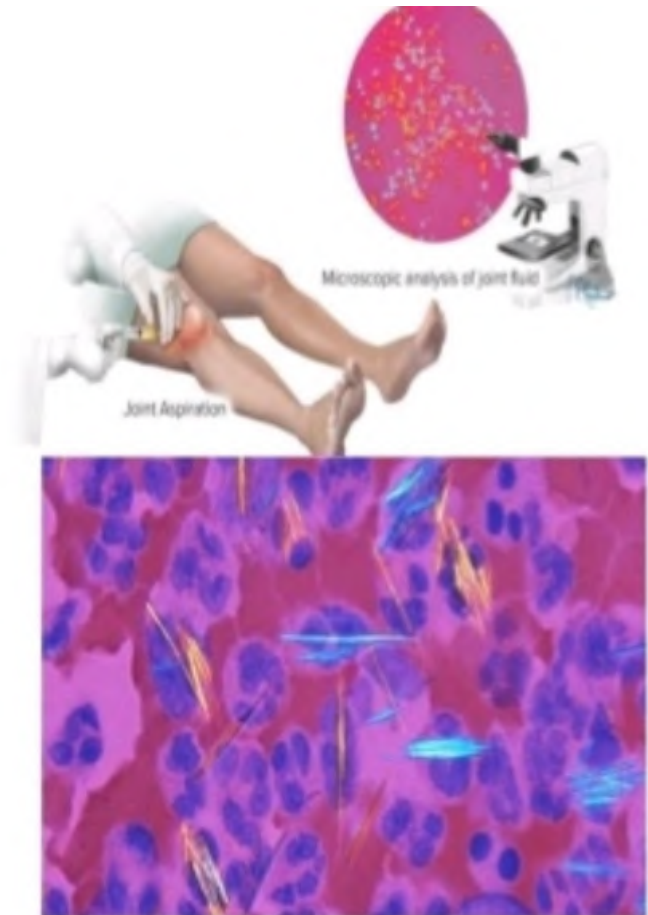
- *Specific investigation for confirmation of of gouty arthritis.*
- *Joint aspiration and crystal identification.*
- *Serum urate.*
- *To detect complication*
- *Renal imaging*
- *Skeletal x – rays.*



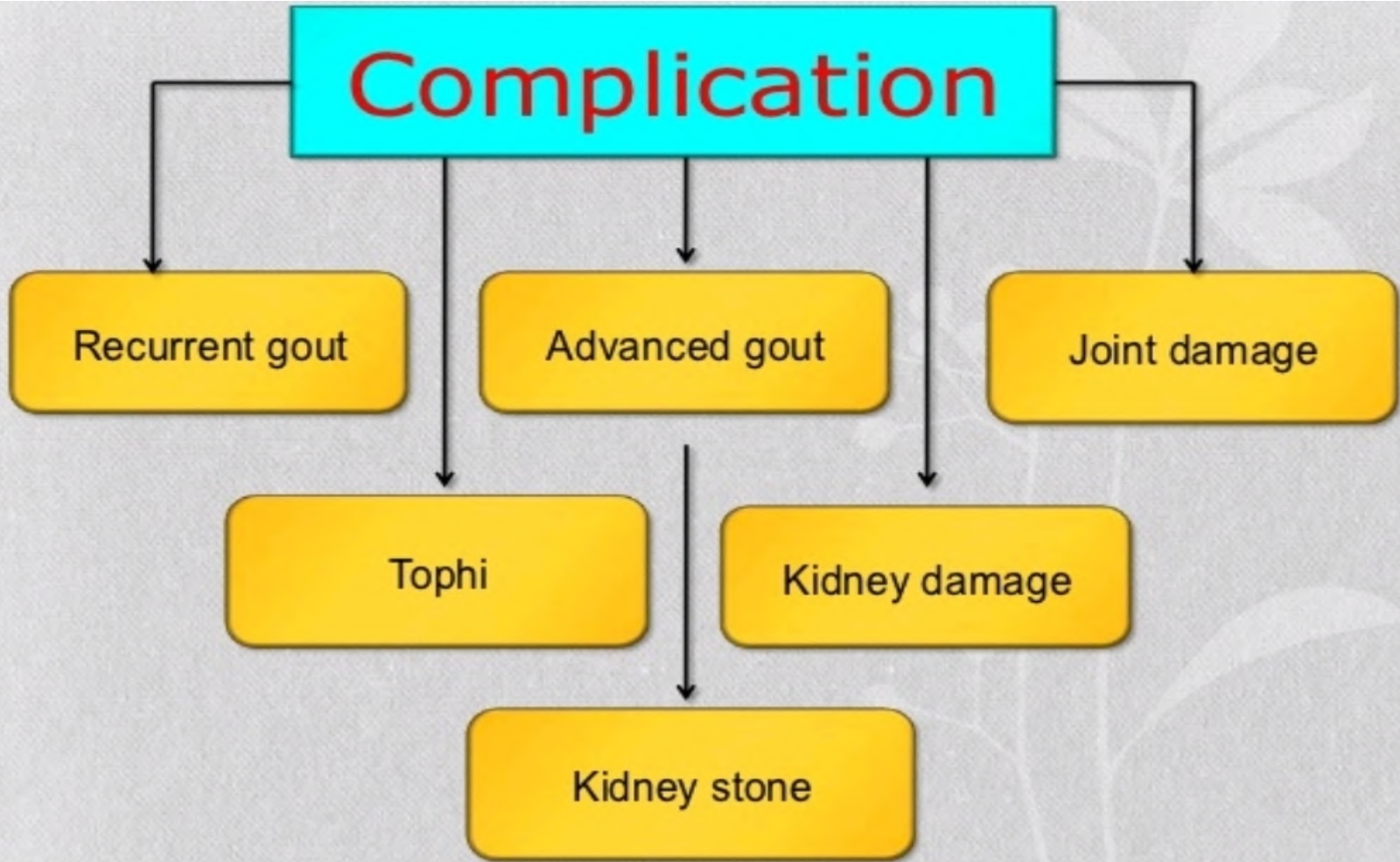
# Synovial fluid Examination.

## SYNOVIAL FLUID ANALYSIS

- “Polarized light microscopy” – gold standard
- Crystals – intracellular during attacks
- Needle and rod shaped
- Strong negative birefringence
- Cell count elevated from 2,000 to 60,000



# *COMPLICATION OF GOUT.*



# **TREATMENT GOUT.**

## ACUTE GOUT.

NSAID  
COLCHICINE

CORTICOSTEROID

## CHRONIC GOUT

URICOSURIC  
PROBENECID  
SULFINPYRAZONE

SYNTHESIS INHIBITOR  
ALLOPURINOL (XANTHINE OXIDASE  
INHIBITOR).  
FEBUXOSTAT.