

Steps in presentation:

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Make differential diagnosis.

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Choose one diagnosis from your differential diagnosis.

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Make working diagnosis.

4. Provided investigations findings:

Make a clinical diagnosis.
Outline the management plan.

Child with diarrhoea

Trigger 1

- 1. Harish, a two-year-old male child, presented in the OPD with the presenting complaints of recurrent episodes of loose motions since early infancy.**

Trigger 2

Harish was born at term by cesarean section in Patan Hospital with the birth weight of 2.9 kg. The indication for CS was cephalopelvic disproportion. His perinatal period was uneventful. He passed urine within 24 hours of birth and passed meconium on the third day. He was bottle fed for first two days of his life and thereafter switched over to breast milk. He received one vaccination on second day of birth. He has received subsequent vaccinations on 2, 3, 4 and 9 months. Mother started feeding him lito at 6 months after the rice eating ceremony. With the introduction of lito mother noticed abnormality in defecation and excessive crying off and on. He used to be constipated for 2-5 days and the abdomen gets distended. This distention of abdomen is relieved by the passage of foul smelling liquid stool. This process of constipation, distention of abdomen and passage of loose stool is going on since then. Various practitioners treated Harish during these two years. The prescriptions revealed the following medicines, which was prescribed on various occasions: metornidazole, pyrental palmoate, nalidixic acid, metochlopropamide, aluminum hydroxide, enzymes, and cotrimoxazole. The stool never contained blood. His appetite is normal and he has never vomited. He is passing urine normally. He has two episodes of cough and cold in the past and was treated at home with honey and water.

Harish runs well, can name 4 toys and is dry by day. He is the only son of parent. Mother is a housewife and she is 23 year. Father who is 26 year old runs a cold store. Their earning is satisfactory.

Trigger 3

Examination:

Temperature: 36°C in the axilla. Respiratory rate: 30/minute.

Pulse rate: 98/minute. Some palmar pallor was present.

Oedema absent.

Weight: 9.5 kg. Height: 80 cms.

Sitting comfortably in the bed with mother. He is alert. Eyes are normal. Mouth and tongue are moist and normal. Skin pinch goes back quickly.

Fontanel is closed. Hairs are normal. Two cervical lymph nodes over the apex of right posterior triangle of neck: nontender, discrete, firm measuring < .5cm.

Chest examination was normal. Abdomen was soft but protuberant. Liver: 1cm below the costal margin on the mid-clavicular line, smooth, soft and nontender. Spleen not palpable. All the area of abdomen was resonant. Large fecal mass was palpable in the left lower abdomen.

Trigger 4

Investigations:

Stool: watery, yellowish green and plenty of undigested food particles and fat globules.

Pus cells: 1-3/hpf.

OPC: absent.

RBC: absent.

ELISA tests for rotavirus was positive.

Trigger 1

- 2. Kamala, a one and half year old female child was seen in the emergency in the month of Poush for acute onset of vomiting and diarrhoea of two days duration.**

Trigger 3

On examination:

Weight is 10 kg.

She is irritable. Respiratory rate is 35/minute. Pulse rate is 110 minute. Temperature is 37.5°C in the axilla. She is crying but tear is absent. Mouth and tongue is dry. Mother offered her a drink and she drinks eagerly. The skin pinch goes back slowly.

There is no ear discharge but has runny nose. Clinical examination of her chest and abdomen were within normal limits.

Trigger 4

Investigations:

Stool: watery, yellowish green and plenty of undigested food particles and fat globules.

Pus cells: 1-3/hpf.

OPC: absent.

RBC: absent.

ELISA tests for rotavirus was positive.

Trigger 1

- 3. Harish, a six year old male child presented in the OPD with the presenting complaints of acute abdominal pain and blood in the stool of three days duration.**

Trigger 2

Kamala was well till two days back when she developed mild cough and vomiting. The vomiting was often associated with bouts of cough in the beginning. She continued to vomit thereafter more often without preceding cough. On the second day of the illness she got loose motions since then she had loose motions every 1-2 hours and vomiting every 3-4 hours. She has mild fever. She does not have rash. The stool is watery and does not contain blood. The colour is yellowish green and has fishy smell. She is passing scanty urine every 6-8 hours. Her mother has observed that Kamala's bottom is red and she thinks this is due to repeated wiping of stool by napkin.

Kamala was born in Teaching Hospital by normal vaginal delivery with the birth weight of 2700 gms. She developed jaundice on the third day but got better without treatment. She was bottle fed from the beginning. Mother introduced lito at the age of four months. Kamala has received all primary immunizations. She has also received one vaccination last week. Kamala has one brother who is now 4 years old and is healthy. Her mother is a doctor and father is an engineer.

Trigger 2

Harish was well till one week back when he developed mild cough and fever. He was feeding well and there were no rashes. He was treated by a local medical practitioner with oral amoxicilin for about 5 days and got better. Three days back he returned from school with severe abdominal pain. He passed two loose motions on that day containing blood. The abdominal pain was off and on. It was very severe. There was no fever. The severe abdominal pain sometimes is associated with vomiting. Since last three days he is complaining of severe abdominal pain and blood in the stool. The stool is not watery and the frequency is 2-4 per day.

The past medical history is not significant. Family and socio-economic history is also not remarkable.

Trigger 3

Examination:

Crying because of severe abdominal pain and is restless.

Apyrexial. Blood pressure: 105/75 mm of Hg. Pallor and oedema is absent. Not in respiratory distress.

Head and neck normal. Chest: normal. Abdomen: soft generalized tenderness, no Organomegaly.

Limbs: symmetrical few purpuric rashes over the lower and upper limbs.

Trigger 4

Investigations:

**Blood: TLC: 12,300/cmm; P: 52%, L: 40%, E: 8%;
Hb: 11.2 g%, ESR: 30 mm in first hour.**

Stool: Semisolid, brown, pus cells: 2-4/hpf. RBC: plenty.

OPC: absent.

Urine: Yellow, RBC: 10-20/hpf, protein: trace and cast absent.

Child with bilateral swollen feet:

1. Ningma Tamang, a three year old female child presented in the OPD with the presenting complaint of bilateral swelling of feet for the last one week.

Ningma was well till three months back when she developed diarrhoea. This episode of diarrhoea lasted for one week and got better without any medical treatment. In this episode mother did not notice any blood in the stool. She was passing urine normally and the frequency was 4-8 per day. After this episode mother noticed decreased appetite in her. Ningma again developed loose motion after about one week of the first episode of diarrhoea and continues to pass small amount of liquid stool 3-6 times per day. There is no blood in the stool and she is passing normal coloured urine off and on. She is lethargic but cries very frequently. The swollen feet was first noticed by a relative. It is getting more worse from last one week.

She had two episodes of cough and runny nose in the past one year but got better with local home treatment. At present also she has cough. She used to get small skin wounds in her leg and face. Mother treats this with an ointment given by a local medical shopkeeper.

Ningma has a one year old brother who is well. Her father is a farmer and grows sufficient amount of food for the family. Both parents are smoker and well.

Ningma was delivered at home by the local Sudeni. She was absolutely breast fed for first 5 months of her life. At this age mother introduced lito and was growing well. Prior to this illness Ningma used to take cows milk, dal bhat, eggs and fruits normally. She is fully immunized. At present she can jump on both feet, tell her name and play with small toys.

Examination:

Comfortably sitting in the bed with two apples in her hand.

Resp. rate: 34/min. Temp: 36.5°C in the axilla. Pulse: 98/minute, regular with normal volume. Height: 86 cms. Weight: 9.5 kg. Palmar pallor present. Gross oedema of both legs and feet.

Hair: lack of lusture and dyspigmentation.

Lips: angular stomatitis.

Visible muscle wasting.

On auscultation of the chest crepitations were present bilaterally.

Investigations:

Chest x-ray: supplied (milliary mottling).

Blood: TLC: 6500/cmm; P: 50%; L:50%. Hb: 9g/dL. RBC: hypochromic and microcytic.

Stool: cyst of Giardia and E. histolytica. Ova of ascariasis and hook worm.

Urine: Normal.

Serum protein: 2g/dL. Urea: normal; Creatinine and cholesterol: normal.

Bishal Kumar, 3 years old male child from Bara district was brought to the OPD with the presenting complaint of swelling of both feet since last one week.

Bishal was in good health till 20 days back when he developed small, red and painful swelling over the left buttock with a mild fever. He was treated by a local medical practitioner. On the next day of treatment he developed a generalized rash. The fever persisted, both eyes became red and ulcers appeared in the lips and tongue but sparing the gum over a period of three days. He attended the Birgunj Hospital and was treated for one week. In the hospital he began to develop difficulty in breathing and the temperature persisted. Mother has noticed swelling of both feet while in the Birgunj Hospital. The difficulty in breathing is gradually increasing in severity.

In this period his urinary output was slightly reduced and the colour was yellowish. His appetite has been markedly reduced. There was no history of yellowish discoloration of eyes.

Bishal was born in hospital at term with the birth weight of 2500gms. The perinatal period was uneventful. He was absolutely breast fed upto the age of 5 months. His primary immunization was complete. Mother introduced lito at that age and was growing well. He used to ride a tricycle and could stand on one foot. He is dry at night and can name himself.

His father is a land owner and farmer by occupation. They have a two storied cemented house with a private water supply from a deep tube well and a toilet. He is the only child in the nucleated family. Parents are well.

He had two episodes of cough and cold within one year. At the age of nine months he had severe diarrhoea needing hospital admission.

Examination:

Anxious looking. Respiratory rate: 54/min with subcostal indrawing. Temperature 99°F in the axilla. Pulse rate: 118/minute, low volume. Blood pressure: 90/50mm of Hg. Bilateral pedal oedema. Palmar pallor present.

Intercostal and subcostal indrawing. Bronchial breath sound in the right side of the chest. Dullness on percussion on the right side was continuous up to the seventh intercostal space in the midclavicular line. Apical impulse could not be localized.

First and second heart sounds were faint and no murmur was heard.

Liver was 3 cms below the costal margin on the right side, soft and tender. Hepatojugular reflux was present.

Investigation:

Chest x-ray: homogenous opacity all over the right lung field with clear costophrenic angle. Increased cardiac shadow with globular pattern.

Blood:

Ultrasound guided pericardial tapping revealed thick pus. 120 ml was aspirated. Repeat x-ray showed marked improvement.

Kamala, a three year old healthy looking female child from Baneshwar was brought in the OPD with the presenting complaints of swelling of both feet lasting for three days.

This child was well till two weeks back when she developed mild cough and cold with slight rise of temperature. Her was treated by a physician and got better within a few days. Her mother noticed lethargy and loss of appetite after 10 days of the illness. She developed swelling of the both feet three days ago and this swelling is gradually increasing. Mother thinks her child's face looked puffy specially in the morning.

Se has had two episodes of cough and cold and one episode of diarrhoea without any hcomplications in the past. Shee was born in Prasuti Griha at term with the birth weight of 2.7 kg. The Perinaatal period was uneventful and was on absolute breast feeding for the first four month of life. She is fully immunized with primary immunization. At present she can ride a tricycle and can tell her name.

Her father is a officer in army and mother is a primary school teacher. They have their own three storied house at Baneshwar. She is the only daughter of the parent.

Examination:

Pulse: 96/minute. Respiratory rate: 28/min. Temperature:37°C.

Blood pressure: 100/65 mm of Hg.

Height 95cms. Weight:16 kg.

Bilateral pedal oedema present. Palmar pallor present.

Chest: no abnormal clinical signs.

Abdomen: Non tender. Liver and spleen not palpable. Shifting dullness present.

Child with convulsion:

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1. A 9 month old male child was brought in the emergency by his mother with the presenting complaints of sudden loss of consciousness this morning.

This child was sleeping with his mother this afternoon. His mother suddenly noticed stiffening of the child's body. She also noticed saliva drooling from the angle of the mouth and a staring look. There was no jerky movement of limbs or body. He did not pass urine or feces in the nappy. She thinks the duration of this phenomenon lasted nearly for 3 minutes.

The mother had an uneventful pregnancy. He was born at Prasuti Griha at term by normal vaginal delivery with the birth weight of 2570 gram. He had jaundice on the 3rd day of life but was discharged home on the fourth day. He was breast and bottle fed from the beginning. The mother started feeding him lito at the age of 4 months. He is not immunized with any vaccination because on the due date of vaccination, he used to develop cough and cold or have loose motions.

He had not had any such episodes in the past. He sits without support and tries to communicate with his mother. His mother had episodes of convulsions till the age of 5 years. She was not treated with any anticonvulsant drugs.

Examination findings:

He was breast feeding. Respiratory rate was 50/minute. Temperature was 102°F in the axilla. Runny nose was present. Fontanel was not raised. No rashes were noticed. Chest indrawing was absent.

Pharyngeal faces were mildly congested. Tonsils were enlarged but not congested. Cervical glands were not palpable. Auscultation was performed during breast feeding and no abnormal sounds were heard.

Abdominal examination revealed: liver one cm bellow the R. midclavicular line. It was smooth and margin was sharp. No other abnormality noted.

Investigations:

- 1. Blood. TLC: 6,900/cmm; P:46%, L:54%**
- 2. Xray chest. Within normal limits.**
- 3. CSF. TLC: 2/cmm; Protein: 40mg/dL; Glucose: 80mg/dL.**

2. Sarala, 9 year old child was brought in the emergency by her father with the history of sudden onset unconsciousness lasting 35 minutes.

Sarala's father noticed sudden onset of generalized jerky movement this evening while she was lying in bed. She returned from school earlier today because of headache. She was complaining of headache and fever off and on since the last few weeks. Her headache was often associated with vomiting. During this episode of convulsion she remained unconscious for nearly one hour. The unconsciousness was associated with repeated episodes of jerky movement of whole body which lasted nearly for 10 minutes. It subsided on way to the hospital. Her father did not notice any change in her behavior during this illness.

Six months back she was treated in the hospital for cough and fever with oral antibiotics. Her cough persisted and she was treated with herbal medicines. She felt better for few weeks but began to complain of lethargy after returning from school. Her appetite decreased gradually. Her father believes she has lost weight although she eats meat and other family foods frequently.

She is studying in class 3 and is average in her class. She has one younger brother who is well. Mother died one year ago because of chronic cough for one year, she used to work in a carpet factory. Father also works as a peon in the same carpet factory.

On examination:

Unconscious, responds only to painful stimuli. Resp.rate: 28/ min.

Pulse: 64/min. B.P. 110/85 mm of Hg. Temp: 37°F (axillary).

Auscultatory findings of lungs and heart were normal.

Planter reflex were equivocal.

Jerks not exaggerated.

Investigations:

1. Blood

a. TLC: 9200/cmm; P:62%, L:32%, M:1%, E:5%.

b. Glucose: 6.3 mmol/L; Urea: 6 mmol/L;

Sodium: 136 meq/L; Potassium: 3.5 meq/L.

c. CSF: TLC: 125/cmm; P:20%, L:80%,

Protein:>100mg/dL; Glucose:46mg/dL.

3. A 12 year old male child was brought in the emergency with the history of sudden onset of jerky movement limited to the left lower limb, lasting for 15 minutes.

Hari was well till this morning when he developed uncontrolled jerky movement of the left lower limb. He was conscious during this episode. His

temperature was not elevated. There were no rashes. This abnormal movement lasted for nearly 10 minutes. In the afternoon he again developed similar episodes lasting for nearly five minutes. After this episode he is feeling weakness in that leg.

There is no such history in the past. He had not visited any areas outside this valley within one year. He is studying in class 8 at Jorpati High School and is average in class. His bowel and bladder functions are normal. He is a non vegetarian and has good appetite.

He is immunized fully with primary immunizations only. He never suffered from any major illness in the past. All the family members are well.

On examination:

He is conscious and all the vital signs are normal.

Only positive signs are:

Power in the left lower limb is grade 4.

Investigation:

Blood: TLC: 11000/cmm; P:45%, L:43%, E:12%. ESR: 18mm in first hour.

Sugar: 6.5 mmol/L; Calcium: 2.4 mmol/L.

CSF: TLC: 2/cmm; Protein: 40mg/dL; Sugar: 60mg/dL.

Mantoux test: 2mm.

CTScan of brain (reported as): Ring shaped lesion with oedema surrounding the area in the right parietal region.

A 4 month old Bina presented in the OPD with the history of not moving her limbs since one week.

Bina was born to a married housewife aged 19 years with normal vaginal delivery in Bhaktapur hospital. Her birth weight was 2300 gms. Her mother never attended the antenatal clinic. Her perinatal period was uneventful. She is absolutely breast fed. Her father is a truck driver and earns enough to maintain their daily life. They live in a two room apartment, one room is used for cooking and the other as a bed room.

Bina

received only one vaccination on the second day of her birth.

Her mother first noticed excessive crying while moving her right upper limb two weeks back for which she attended a local medical shop.

Examination findings:

weight: 4.2 kg. Length: 59 cms. Temperature: 37.2°C. Respiratory rate: 46/min.

Heart rate: 112/min.

Jaundice: present over the sclera. Pallor: present.

Cyanosis: absent.

Nose: snuffles.

Abdomen: hepatosplenomegaly.

All limbs in paralytic position and cries during passive movement.

Investigations:

TLC: 14,000/cmm; P: 45%, L:55%; Hb: 9g%.

Coombs test negative.

Chest x-ray: normal.

Ultrasound abdomen: hepatosplenomegaly.

Urine and stool macroscopic and microscopic examinations:normal.

X-ray right upper limb: destruction of lower end of radius with soft tissue swelling around the lesion .

A twelve year old male child, Hari Chowdhary presented in the OPD with the presenting complaints of difficulty in moving right part of his body since three days.

Hari was well till one month back. His father noticed him becoming lethargic and short ness of breath on exertion since last one month. He also had developed bilateral swelling of feet since last three week. His appetitie is poor and had one episode of haemoptysis.

Hari had two previous admissons within one year with the history of shortness of breath and swelling feet.

Examination revealed:

Pulse: 110/minute; Respiration: 36/minute. Temperature: 37°C. Blood pressure:115/60mm of Hg.

JVP was raised.

Liver was palpable 2cm below the costal margin on the midclavicular line. Soft, tender and smooth with rounded margin.

Basal crepitations were present.

A harsh, systolic murmur, high pitched obliterating the first heart sound and lasting through systole up to the second sound just right to the apex, radiating to the axilla. An early diastolic murmur in the same area with loud first sound in the same area is also found.

There is left sided facial paralysis with right sided hemiplegia.

Investigations:

TLC: 9500/cmm; P:64%; L:36%; ESR: 44 mm in first hour. Hb: 9g%.

ASO titre: 400 IU.

X-Ray and ECG supplied.

1. One year old male child was brought in the OPD of Kanti Children's Hospital the presenting complaints of high fever reaching 39 degree Celsius since this morning.

Further information revealed during the history taking were:

-diminished appetite: 7 days

-stuffy nose and cough: 5 days

-mild fever: 5 days.

At the end of this case discussion students should be able to:

- a- list the common causes of fever with cough.
- b- list the important signs of pneumonia; common cold, pharyngitis, laryngitis, laryngotracheobronchitis; epiglottitis.
- c- list the investigations for a child with a cough and fever (as listed in b).
- d- list the drugs and their doses used in a child with cough and fever.
- e- list the important points in counselling the mother of a child with cough and fever.

2. A 9 year old boy attended emergency complaining vomiting of blood. 8 weeks previously he had developed a mild, diffuse abdominal discomfort which was relieved by taking thick whitish liquid medicine as given by a medical shopkeeper.

This patient was admitted in Nepalgunj Hospital one year back because of sudden profuse bleeding per mouth and black stool. During this episode he received one unit of whole blood. No further investigation reports of that episode were available. The second episode of bleeding per mouth also occurred 6 months back in Nepalgunj for which he was treated with anti tubercular drugs. Parent felt he was better and was taken home where he continued the anti tubercular drugs.

The child was born to 28 year old women by spontaneous vaginal home delivery. Perinatal period was uneventful. The birth weight was comparable to other siblings. The child's early growth and development were normal.

The more information on physical examination and investigations will be supplied during the discussion.

Physical examination:

Height : 102 cm.

Weight : 14.3 kg.

Temperature: 98° F orally.

Pulse: 130, regular and of low volume. BP: 90/50 mm of Hg.

Pallor: present.

No rashes were noticed.

Neck: three submandibular lymph nodes on both sides, non tender, mobile, less than ½ cm size.

Abdomen: protuberant, everted umbilicus, prominent superficial veins.

Liver: 1 cm bellow the MCL, non tender, firm and smooth.

Spleen: 2 cm bellow the left costal margin in the long axis, firm, smooth, and nontender.

Shifting dullness: positive.

Immediate investigations performed:

Haematocrit: 13%, Haemoglobin 4.6 g%, WBC: 8700/cmm N: 33%, L: 56%. ESR: 40 mm/hr.

Blood group: B +.

Differential diagnosis:

Bleeding from:

-Oesophageal varices.

-Peptic ulcer/gastritis.

-Oesophagitis.

-Haemangioma, arteriovenous malformations.

Immediate management in the emergency room:

-oxygen by nasal prong.

-iv normal saline/crystalloids through a canula.

-arrange blood transfusion. One unit of whole blood, 52 ml/hour.

-monitor blood pressure ½ hourly.

-arrange for endoscopy.

Other investigations performed subsequently:

Repeat haematocrit and haemoglobin.

Liver function test: Alkaline phosphatase 40 U/L.

Albumin 52g/L

Bilirubin (total) 18 μ mol/L.

Prothrombin time 2 seconds of control.

HBsAg : negative.

Chest x-ray ; supplied.

Splenic venography: supplied.

Ultra sound abdomen: free fluid in the peritoneal cavity, portal vein is dilated, hepatic vein is normal.

Liver is normal and spleen is enlarged.

Endoscopic examination: grade 3 oesophageal varices with congestive gastropathy.

Mantoux test: negative.

Diagnosis:

Bleeding oesophageal varices secondary to extra hepatic portal hypertension.

Management:

1. Immediate management:

Nasogastric aspiration

Blood transfusion.

Ranitidine: 20 mg BD i.v. (1-3mg/kg)

Vasopressin: 4.6 U over 20 minutes (0.33 U/kg). Continuous iv infusion at the rate of 0.2 U/1.73m²/min. Watch for the side effects of vasoconstriction.

Endoscopic sclerosis.

Sengstaken Blakemore tube compression of the oesophagus.

2. Prophylaxis for subsequent bleeding:

Surgical procedures:

-endoscopic sclerosis.

-portocaval, distasplenorenal shunts.

β -blockers: 1 mg/kg/24 hrs divided 6 hourly then increase up to 5 mg/kg/24 hrs. div 6 hrly to have the optimum effect.

3. A 6½- year old boy presented in the OPD with 1week history of intermittent pain in the left thigh and walking with a limp. For 2 weeks he has had colicky , abdominal pain with screaming episodes. There was no history of trauma and fever. He is an only child born at term by spontaneous vaginal delivery.

He was bottle fed and had few episodes of diarrhoea during the neonatal period. He had mild jaundice in the first week of his life which was noticed on the 4th day . He had been treated twice for otitis media and had had recurrent cough . Immunizations were complete. His father is a truck driver and mother works in the field as a daily wage earner.

Differential diagnosis:

Arthritis of henoch schonlein purpura.
Tubercular arthritis of hip.
Transient synovitis of hip joint.
Legg-calve-Paerthes Disease.

Physical examination:

Weight: 11.5 kg.
Height: 98.5 cms.
Temperature: 97°F, axillary; Respiratory rate: 25/min; Pulse rate 88/minute.
Pallor: mild. Oedema: absent.
He had three cervical lymphnodes, which were discrete, nontender, smooth and mobile on both sides of neck over the posterior triangle.
There were no rash.
Liver 1cm below the costal margin and the spleen wasnot palpable.
All of the joints appeared normal except the left hip joint where restriction of motion, specially abduction and internal rotation was observed. No bony tenderness were elicited.

Investigations:

Hb: 9g%.
WBC: 6,000/cmm; P: 64%; L:36%. Platelets were adequate.
Peripheral smear: Hypochromic, microcytic anaemia.
ESR: 35 mm in first hour.
Stool: Few fertilized ova of ascaris lumbricoides. Urine: normal.
Anterior and Lauenstein lateral radiographs of the pelvis: The sphericity of the left femoral head is 2 mm less in comparison to the right; slight degeneration of the left femoral head.

Diagnosis:

Legg-Calves-Perthes Disease of left femoral head with anaemia, undernutrition and ascariasis.

Management:

1. Bed rest or abduction stretching exercises to maintain mobility.
Paracetamol for pain.
Orthopaedic consultation is preferred.

2. Treatment of anaemia, undernutrition and ascariasis.

4. A 4 year old boy, presented in the emergency with the complaint of high fever and generalized severe abdominal pain of one day duration . There was a history of cough and cold a few days prior to the onset of present problems. He had one loose stool previous morning and there was no blood or mucous in it. He had mild headache off and on since last few months but history of vomiting was not present. His urine was of normal colour. He had a history of swelling of both legs three months ago for which he was admitted in the hospital for one week. His mother has lost the documents given by the hospital.

Differential diagnosis:

- basal pneumonia.
- acute mesenteric lymphadenitis.
- acute appendicitis.
- relapse nephrotic syndrome.
- shigellosis.

Physical examination:

Height:10.3 cms; Weight: 18 Kg.

Temperature: 102° F axillary; Pulse: 122/min; Respiratory rate:35/minute.

Blood pressure:95/125 mm of Hg.

Oedema: bilateral present.

No rashes.

Respiratory system: normal.

Cardiovascular system: Apical impulse, heart sounds were normal, no murmur was audible.

Abdomen: Generalized tenderness of the abdomen was present. No organomegaly.

Immediate Investigations results:

Hb: 10 G%.

TLC: 30,000/cmm; Band cells: 4%; P: 82%.

Chest x-ray: Normal.

Urine: Albumin: +++; RBC: 4-8/hpf.

Provisional diagnosis:

Relapse nephrotic syndrome with peritonitis and hypertension.

Immediate management:

- im Benzyl penicillin:1000,000 every six hourly.
- Chlorothiazide: 100 mg twice daily.
- Prednisolone: 10 mg every six hourly.
- Paracetamol: 250 mg every six hourly if the temperature rises.
- maintain intake and output chart. Observe BP daily.
- salt free diet.
- 500 ml fluid (insensible loss) + total urinary output + 125 ml for fever/ 24 hours.
- send blood for:
 - culture and sensitivity, electrolytes, urea, creatinine, cholesterol, serum protein.
- 24 hours urine protein.
- Urine for culture and sensitivity.

Subsequent investigations reports:

24 hour urinary protein: > 2 g/L.
Serum protein: 1.5 g/dL.
Serum cholesterol: 10.5 mmol/L.
Serum urea: 3.5 mmol/L
Serum creatinine: 90µmol/L.
Serum potassium: 3 mmol/L
Serum sodium: 135 mmol/L
Blood and urine culture: no growth after 24 hours.

Final diagnosis:

Nephrotic syndrome without renal failure with peritonitis and hypertension.

Subsequent management:

- Continue im injection of Penicillin G sodium for 10 days. If temperature does not subside change to vancomycin.
 - Continue prednisolone for 2 weeks: the time needed for response to prednisolone averages about 2 weeks. Five days after the urine becomes free of protein, the dose of prednisolone is changed to every other days for 3 months. Dose of prednisolone is increased if the child develops any infections.
- If the child continues to have proteinuria (2+ or greater) after one month of continuous prednisolone the nephrotic syndrome is labelled as steroid resistance and renal biopsy is indicate.

-If hypokalaemia develops an oral potassium (36 meq/day) is supplemented and chlorthiazide is replaced with spironolactone. Once the blood pressure is controlled the antihypertensive is stopped.

-Continue salt free diet till the oedema subsides and diuresis starts.

- Observe the urine for proteinuria and asses for oedema. Recurrence of oedema or proteinuria is treated as a new case. If proteinuria or oedema reappears after stopping the steroid (steroid dependent), optimum dose of steroid is used to keep the urine free of protein.

In case of repeated relapse and if the child suffers severe corticosteroid toxicity cyclophosphamide therapy is considered along with alternate day therapy of prednisolone.

5. A ten year old boy is admitted with a 5-day history of sore throat, cough, frontal headache and posterior neck pain. He had been seen by a health worker earlier in the week when a diagnosis of URTI was made and co-trimoxazole was prescribed. On the day before admission he was seen in emergency in view of his lack of improvement, and changed onto erythromycin. Over the next 24 hours he had become *progressively distressed with difficulty in breathing* and neck pain.

In the past he had had tonsillitis at the age of 5 years but no other major problem. His father, mother and 5-year old sister had been well and there was no known infectious contact.

Differential diagnosis:

- pneumonia, pneumothorax, pleural effusion.
- peritonsillar abscess, epiglottitis, retropharyngeal abscess.
- .CCF, pericardial effusion, myocarditis.-

Examination:

Pyrexial: 38.5° C (oral).

Respiratory rate: 40/min.

Pulse: 100/min, regular, with marked diminution in volume during inspiration.

Blood pressure: 110/95 mm of Hg.

Height: 138 cms.

Weight: 28 kg.

Right submandibular lymphnode: palpable, nontender, mobile and smooth.

Breath sounds: no wheeze or stridor but bronchial breathing over a small area beneath the angle of left scapula.

Apical impulse can not be located.

Heart sounds muffled, no murmur.

Provisional diagnosis:

- pericardial effusion.
- pneumonia.

Investigations:

- Hb: 10.8g%; WBC: 11,800/cmm; P: 84%; send blood for culture and sensitivity.

- Chest x-ray : enlarged cardiac shadow with water bottle configuration and clear lung fields.. (provide the student x-ray film showing pericardial effusion).

- Electrocardiography: Low voltages of QRS complexes; generalized mild elevation of ST segments and generalized T wave inversion.

Working diagnosis:

Pericardial effusion of bacterial origin. (base of the left lung is compressed by pericardial effusion produces dullness beneath the angle of left scapula: Ewart's sign).

Further investigations:

- Echocardiography (a clear echo-free space is recorded between the epicardium and pericardium).
- Pericardial aspiration for biochemical, cytology, bacterial culture and sensitivity.

Treatment:

- iv chloramphenicol + benzyl penicillin or ceftriaxone 100mg/kg/24 hours administered once per day (the most common organisms implicated in purulent pericarditis are: staphylococcus aureus, Haemophilus influenzae type b and Neisseria meningitidis). Treatment should be continued for 7-10 days.
- observe for cardiac tamponade (a pulsus paradoxus of more than 20 mm Hg is a reliable indicator of cardiac tamponade). On echocardiography flattening of septal motion and collapse of the right ventricular outflow during diastole is observed. if occurs, aspiration should be done.
- follow up for constrictive pericarditis if suggestive arrange for pericardiectomy.

5. A 3-year old child presented in coma. He was born at term following a normal pregnancy. His initial development revealed that he had good head control at 10 weeks. By then he was able to smile. He sat with support at 8 months. He was able to say six words correctly at 18 months. His parents were poor and they lived in a single rented room. He was never immunized . His bowels were normal and his appetite recently had diminished. Over the previous six months, behavioural changes had been noticed. On admission it was learnt that he had convulsion for approximately 45 minutes before stopping spontaneously.

Differential diagnosis:

- SOL.
- epilepsy.
- febrile convulsion.
- meningitis, encephalitis.
- encephalopathy: hypertensive, toxic, metabolic.
- acute stroke syndromes.

Examination:

Glasgow coma score: 5

Pulse: 67/minute, irregular. Respiration: 26/minute, regular.

Blood pressure: 110/70 mm of Hg. Temperature: 38°C (axillary).
No rashes present in the skin.
Pupil: dilated and unresponsive; fundus: normal. Doll's eye maneuver :
positive.
Both eye opening equally with painful stimuli .
Nuchal rigidity absent.
Diminished tone both upper and lower limbs.
Reflexes sluggish.
Planter: extensor.

Immediate management:

-iv line is established with 5% dextrose.
-blood is obtained for: complete blood count, electrolytes, glucose,
creatinine and liver function test. Store 5ml of heparinized blood for
later investigations.

Investigations:

-Dextrostix: blood glucose 4mmol/l.
-TLC: 6700/cmm; P: 64%; L:36%, Hb: 11g%.
- Na+: 137 mmol/l; K+: 3.2mmol/l;
-creatinine:110µmol/l.

Working diagnosis:

-Postictal coma:
-SOL.
-Acute stroke syndromes.

Further investigations:

-MRI scan of brain.
-EEG.
-Cerebral angiography.

6. A 12 months old male child presented in the OPD with the presenting complaint of increased sweating particularly in the head since last few months. Mother has observed that the child is also floppy.

The child was delivered at term by cesarean section because of contracted pelvis of the 30 year old mother. His birth weight was 2200 gms. During his Perinaatal period he had an episode of convulsion on the 48 hours of life and was treated in the nursery of the hospital. He was kept there for 48 hours. Mother had also noticed yellowish discoloration of skin on the fifth day but he was discharged from the hospital on sixth day of his life. Mother consulted a health worker for the jaundice and he prescribed an Ayurvedic medicine in drops. He also advised the mother not to do oil massage to the baby and not to take oily foods by herself. He was breast fed for the first six months of life. He is fully immunized. He had two episodes of pneumonia and two episodes of diarrhoea in the past.

Differential diagnosis:

-undernutrition, rickets.
-Down's syndrome, mental defficiency.
-benign congenital hypotonia.

-neuromuscular disorders.

Examination:

Temperature: 36°C axillary. Pulse rate: 86/minute.
Length: 70 cms. Weight: 8 Kg.
OFC: 44 cms. Chest circumference: 43 cms.
Anterior fontanelle: measuring 20mm in transverse diameter.
Face: appeared normal.
Chest: pigeon shaped.
Both wrist swollen mildly but nontender, mobility normal.
At present he sits with support and says 2 words with meaning.
All reflexes are normal. All muscles are hypotonic.

Working diagnosis:

-rickets.

Investigations:

X-ray wrist: cupping and fraying of the distal ends of radius and ulna.
Serum phosphorus: 3.2 mg/dL. Serum calcium: 7mg/dL.

Final diagnosis:

Rickets.

Management:

- daily administration of 50-150µg of vitamin D³ or 0.5-2µg of 1,25-dihydroxycholecalciferol for 4 week.
-roentgenograms will show healing within 2-4 weeks.
-15,000 µg of vitamin D in a single dose without further therapy for several months may be advantageous.
-after healing is complete, the dose of vitamin D should be lowered to 10µg/day.
-if no healing occurs, the rickets is probably resistant to vitamin D.

7. Thirteen year old female child presented in the OPD with the chief complaints of fever and upper abdominal pain of 5 days duration. Five years back she was operated for diagnostic lymphnode biopsy of the left axilla and subsequently treated with antitubercular drugs for nine months. Her father also had tuberculosis.

Differential diagnosis:

-hepatitis.
-liver abscess (pyaemic, amoebic).
-acute cholecystitis.
-pneumonia, pleural effusion.
-pericardial effusion, myocarditis.

Examination:

Temperature: 39°C (axillary). Pulse rate: 116/min. Respiratory rate: 32/minute (thoraco-abdominal).
Blood pressure: 115/80 mm of Hg.
Weight: 40kg. Height: 148 cms.
Pallor; jaundice; cyanosis and clubbing: absent.
Abdominal examination:

Tender right upper quadrant of abdomen. Liver: 4 cms below the R mid clavicular line.
Soft, smooth and normal margin. Spleen not palpable.

Working diagnosis: Liver abscess (pyogenic).

Investigations:

TLC: 15600.cmm; P: 78%. Hb: 9.6G%. ESR: 46 mm in first hour.
Serum bilirubin: 18 micro mol/l.
Serum alkaline phosphatase: 90 U/l.
Blood culture for salmonella and non-salmonella organism: negative.
Stool for OPC: negative.
Ultrasound abdomen: mild hepatomegaly with an abscess in the left lobe measuring 6 x4 cms.

Final diagnosis:

Pyæmic liver abscess.

Treatment:

1. Ultrasound guided aspiration of the abscess.
Send the aspirated fluid for culture and sensitivity.
2. iv. ceftriaxone 60mg/kg/day for one week.
3. Oral ferrous sulphate. (6mg/kg of elemental iron in three divided doses; ferrous sulphate is 20% elemental iron by weight)
The aspirated fluid culture was positive for salmonella.

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1. Five year old male child was brought to the emergency of Kanti Children's Hospital by his mother with the presenting complaints of : drowsiness since this morning. On further narration mother mentioned that the child has mild cough since one week. There was a shaking chill last evening which was followed by fever. This period was accompanied by restlessness, and occasionally delirium.

Differential diagnosis:

Pneumonia.
Meningitis, encephalitis.
Malaria
Pyelonephritis.
Septicaemia.

Examination:

He was lying on the right lateral side away from the window with the knees drawn up on the chest.

Height: 100 cms. Weight: 11.4kg.

Pulse rate: 128 /min. Respiratory rate: 51/min. Temp: 39° C. Blood pressure: 115/80 mm of Hg.

Circumoral cyanosis was noticed.

The right infra axillary region of chest revealed:

increased fremitus, dullness on percussion, and tubular breath sound.

Working diagnosis:

Consolidation right lung probably bacterial (pneumococcal) origin .

Investigation:

TLC: 4,000/cmm. P: 80%; Blood culture report awaited (30% of patients have bacteraemia)
Chest x-ray supplied.

Diagnosis:

Consolidation R lung, severe bacterial (pneumococcal) infection.

Treatment plan:

Admit.

iv penicillin (100,000 units/kg/24 hours)

Oxygen if the child develops respiratory distress through nasal canula at the rate of 2l/min

Paracetamol 125 mg/dose every six hourly if the temperature is more than 39°C.

Blood culture report:

Gram positive, lancet-shaped, encapsulated diplococci isolated.

2. Mandira, aged 14 years female attended the OPD of Kanti Children's Hospital with the presenting complaints of prominent cheeks and headache of 4 and 1 month duration respectively and are not increasing significantly since then. The prominent cheeks are non tender. There is no history of fever. Her mother has observed deterioration in school work and deepening of voice since last six month.

Differential diagnosis:

-nephrotic syndrome on steroid.

-cushing syndrome

-SOL

Examination:

Pulse rate: 90/min; Respiratory rate: 25/min; Temperature: 36.4 degree C (orally);

Blood pressure: 135/100 mm of Hg.

Height: 135 cms. Weight: 44 Kg.

Pallor: absent; Jaundice: absent; Cyanosis: absent; Oedema: absent; Clubbing: absent.

Hypertrichosis of face: present. Purplish striae were noted in the abdomen.

Sexual maturity rating: stage 2.

Other systemic examination: normal.

Working diagnosis:

Cushing syndrome.

Investigations:

TLC: 12000/cmm; P:82%; L:12%

Urine routine examination: Normal.

Stool: normal.

ENT: openion for deepening of voice: Lyrngoscopic examination revealed normal anatomy.

Ultrasound abdomen: Bilateral enlarged adrenal glands.

Final diagnosis:

Benign cortical adenoma.

Further investigations:

Blood cortisol level.

Urinary cortisol.

Dexamethasone supression test.

CT scanning.

3.

Anususan, a two year old girl was brought in the Emergency of Kanti Children's Hospital with the presenting complaints of fainting episode lasting for 10 minutes, this morning. There was no jerky movements or fever with this fainting episode.

Differential diagnosis:

- Cyanotic spell
- Pallid spell
- Cough syncope
- The prolonged QT syndrome.

The fainting episodes is not associated with excessive coughing, crying, vomiting or bed wetting. There were no evidences of any precipitating factors. Since last one week she is breathing fast, coughing on and off, and not feeding well. Mother has noticed mild swelling of both feet since last few days and she has stopped playing since last one month. Anususan is not growing well in comparison with her other siblings. There was history of four such episode in the past each episode lasting for 5-10 minutes. There was no predilection of time for these faintings. There was no such history in the family.

She was delivered at Prasuti Griha at term by normal vaginal delivery. Her birth weight was 2370 gms. Perinatal period was uneventful. She was fully breast fed for first 4 months of her life and subsequently mother introduced bottle milk and lito. After she was supplemented with bottle milk, mother had noticed she could suck the bottle continuously only for nearly 5 minutes. She is fully immunized and her developmental milestones were normal.

During her first year of life she has one episode of diarrhoea which was preceded by vomiting of one day duration. During this episode she was advised to take ORS at home. Eight months back she had cough and fever for which she was treated from the OPD of Kanti Children's Hospital for 5 days.

Working diagnosis:

- Syncope from congestive cardiac failure;
secondary to congenital acyanotic heart disease.

Examination:

Conscious

Pulse: 123/minute; low volume, regular. BP: not measured. Resp: 43/minute. T: 36.2 °C (axillary).

Extremities cold, pallor present; Cyanosis: absent. Oedema of feet present.

Weight: 10 Kg; Height: 80 cms.

All other systemic examination were normal except:

Apical impulse on the left 5th intercostal space outside the midclavicular line.

Systolic murmur present over the mitral and tricuspid area. Crepitations over scapular regions.

Hepatomegaly: 3 cms below the right costal margin on the MCL.

Clinical diagnosis:

- congestive cardiac failure secondary to congenital acyanotic heart diseases
VSD; Mitral /tricuspid regurgitation; cardiomyopathy.

Investigation:

CXR: Cardiomegaly and pulmonary congestions at base of both lungs.

Echo: dilatation of left atrium and ventricle, and poor contractility.

ECG: combination of atrial enlargement with left ventricular hypertrophy.

Final Diagnosis:

Primary dilated cardiomyopathy with clot in R ventricle.

4. A 3 year old female child presented with a history of *recurrent pallor , weakness and decreased appetite* of almost two years duration. There was no history of associated fever, nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea , constipation, malaena, haematemesis, jaundice, skin lesions, dysuria, headache, incoordination, or trauma. There was no associated loss of consciousness nor history of recurrent purulent infection. The family history included a mother with a history of recurrent abdominal pain and loose motion. Past history, developmental history, social history, and review of system were unremarkable.

Differential diagnosis;

Anaemia due to: Nutritional
Intrinsic factor
Congenital RBC deficiency
Drug causing deficiency

Examination:

Vitals: normal

Height: 95 cms; weight:: 14 kg.

Pallor present; jaundice, cyanosis, oedema : absent.

Regional examination were normal except : smooth tongue.

Systemic examination of the systems were normal except soft systolic murmur in the left second intercostal space.

Working diagnosis:

Anaemia of deficiencies: vitamin b 12; folic acid, iron.

Investigations:

Haemoglobin: 9.2%

Haematocrit: 27%

WBC: 10,000/cmm; PMN: 38% , large and hypersegmented; L: 50%;

M:1%; E:1%. ESR:13mm/hr.

Peripheral smear: macrocytic with prominent macro-ovalocytosis.

Urine, stool: normal. LFT:normal;

Diagnosis: Megaloblastic (pernicious) anaemia probably due to deficiency of intrinsic factor.

Further investigations: (Vellore)

Serum vitamin B 12 levels: < 100pg/ml. (low)

Serum iron and folic acid is normal.

Schilling test: abnormal

Final diagnosis: juvenile pernicious anaemia.

Treatment: Monthly im injection of 1 mg of vitamin B 12.

5. An 12 year old girl presented with a 4-week history of recurrent abdominal pain, epigastric location, gnawing in type, with radiation around to both sides and the adjacent back area, occurring almost daily for the past 1-2 weeks. There had been associated nausea and vomiting for almost one week. There was no history of fever, haematemesis, diarrhoea, malaena, skin lesions, anorexia, or trauma. The activity had remained essentially unchanged although she seemed to tire more easily. Her bowel habit pattern had generally been once daily, soft and brown in nature. Medication had included antacid tablets. The family history included a sister and maternal grandmother with diabetes mellitus. The remainder of the past history, family history, social history, developmental history, and review of systems were unremarkable.

Differential diagnosis:

Reflux oesophagitis: viral or peptic
Functional abdominal pain
Cholelithiasis
Abdominal migraine/epilepsy
Henoch-Schonleing purpura

Examination:

Vitals normal.
Height: 145 cms; Weight 37 kg.
All other system examination normal

Working diagnosis:

Reflux oesphagitis

Investigation:

Hb: 12.4 gm%;
SGPT: 20 Units; Alkaline phosphatase: 195 Units; Amylase: 106 Units;
Ultrasound abdomen: normal.
Endoscopy: mild erythema with increased friability of the distal oesophagus.

Final diagnosis: reflux oesophagitis: peptic.

6. SKC, 11 years old male child was brought in the OPD of KCH with the presenting complaints of cough lasting for 2 months and pain over the left side of chest of one and half month. His mother has noticed lethargy in SKC within this period. She has also noticed a swelling in the left side of the neck which is gradually increasing since then.

There was no history of associated chills, rigor, vomiting, diarrhoea, constipation, haemoptysis, noisy breathing, headache, personality changes, joint pain, and contact history of tuberculosis.

Differential diagnosis:

Tuberculosis of lung
Hodgkins disease
Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma

Examination:

Pulse rate: 95/min; Respiration rate: 60/min; Temperature: 36°C axillary;
Blood pressure: 110/75 mm of Hg.
Pallor: ++; Cyanosis, jaundice, oedema and clubbing : absent.
Lymphnode: single, over the posterior triangle of neck on the left side,
nontender, firm, smooth and mobile, measuring 2.5 X 2
cms.
mobile Another over the left axilla: nontender, firm, smooth,
mesuring 4X4 cms.
Respiratory system: subcostal indrawing present; right side of chest bulged;
diminished expansion ; trachea central; diminished breath sound and dull on
percussion.
Other system examination: normal.

Working diagnosis: right sided pleural effusion with cervical and axillary lymphadenopathy, probably of tuberculous origin.

Investigations:

Pleural fluid aspiration:
Sp.gravity: 1.034.
Sugar: 30mg/dl.
Protein: >100mg/dl.
Cells: 20,00/cmm; N: 65%, L:45%; RBC:plenty.
Blood: Hb: 9G%; WBC:5,100/cmm; N:45%, L:54%.
FNAC of left axillary lymphnode: aspiration smear shows highly cellular and shows medium sized atypical lymphocyte with scanty to thin basophilic cytoplasm and non cleaved nuclei compatible with Non Hodgkins Lymphoma.

Final diagnosis: Non Hodgkins Lymphoma with metastasis to left cervical, right axillary lymphnodes and right pleural cavity.

7. Puspa., aged 11 years presented in the ER of KCH with the history of severe difficulty in breathing since last one day. His father has also noticed puffy face since then. On further questioning it was revealed that Puspa used to complain of pain mainly localized in the front of chest.

There was no history of cough, vomiting, diarrhoea, constipation, noisy breathing, and dysuria.

Differential diagnosis:

Myocarditis
Pneumothorax
Bornholm disease

Examination:

Pulse: 89/minute, regular and of low volume; Respiration: 35/minute and regular. Temperature: 36.2°C. Blood pressure: 90/70 mmof Hg during inspiration and 110/75 mm of Hg during expiration.

Patient in propped up position in respiratory distress. ema: present; Pallor, yanosis, jaundice and clubbin: absent.

Cardiovascular system examination:

Slight precordial bulge, apex beat is not visible, neck veins are prominent. Apical impulse is not palpable. Heart sounds are muffled and murmurs are not audible. Liver is 3 cm below the left costal margin on the mid clavicular line, tender, smooth, rounded margin and hepatojugular reflex is present.

Respiratory system examination was normal except few bilateral basal crepitations.

Working diagnosis: Pericardial effusion with cardiac tamponade probably of tubercualr origin.

Investigation:

CXR

ECG: low voltage QRS complex, mild elevation of ST segment, some T wave inversion suggestive of pericardial effusion with pressure on the myocardium by fluid and associated myocardial inflammation.

Echocardiogram: a clear echo free space is recorded between the epicardium and pericardium, there is also flattening of septal motion and contractility is diminished.

Pericardial aspiration:

Colour: Straw coloured
Protein: >3 gm%.
Spicific gravity: 1.030.
LDH: >200 iu.

Cell count: L:78.

Blood: TLC: 8700/cmm; P:40%, L:60%; ESR: 64 mm/hr.

Mantoux test: 18 mm +; BCG scar +.

Diggnosis: Pericardial effusion, with cardiac tamponade of tubercular aetiology.

8. A nineteen months old female child was seen in the OPD with the history of high fever since last one week.

Historical summary: Her mother did not have any antinatal check-up. She was born by normal vaginal delivery at home that was attended by her grand mother. Her birth weight was similar to the sibling. The umbilicus was cut with a new blade. She passed urine immediately after birth and meconium on the same evening. She was breast fed after nearly six hours of birth. On the fourth day of her life she developed yellow tinge on the skin. Her stool was dark yellow. The first 10 days of her life was uneventful. Her mother introduced lito in her second month. She did not receive any vaccination. She began to sit at six months and can identify her nose, mouth and eyes. She had three episodes of diarrhoea in her first year, each episode lasted for nearly one week and subsided without any treatment. Six months back she developed cough and fever for which she was treated by a local traditional medical practitioner and lasted for nearly two weeks and since then she is having cough on and off. She has not lost weight but she is not growing well in comparison with her brother who is now three years old. Six month back 56 year old relative came to stay in her house who was having cough. The detailed history of this visitor was not available. Her father, mother and brother are all well. Brother goes to local school and is studying in class one. Parent works in their own land. The earning from the land is sufficient to maintain their daily life. They also have one milking cow. They consume dairy products that is made by themselves.

She feels warmer since last one month. At present she is lethargic and eats very little. She does not sleep well in the night and becomes irritable most of the time. She has 2-3 loose motions daily which is often blood stained and mixed with mucous. She is passing urine normally. Her abdomen seems to be distended within this period. She is being treated by a local practitioner who

has prescribed tablets that are to be given mixed with water three times daily and a three different bottles of liquid.

Examination:

Temperature: 101°F(axillary); Pulse: 124/minute, regular and normal volume. Respiration: 54/minute. Blood pressure: 90/60 mm of Hg.

Pallor and pedal oedema present. cyanosis, jaundice, and clubbing were absent. Weight: 9Kg; Height: 75 cms. MUAC: 12.5cms. OFC: 46cms. Chest circumference: 44 cms.

Anterior fontanalle: open. Hair: brownish, lustureless, and easily pluckeble.

Teeth: 8 in number. Tonsills were enlarged but not congested. Erythematous, sigle punctate lesion was noticed in the right eye over the lateral part of sclera.

Tender erythematous nodules were present over the front of both legs. Three cervical lymphnodes were palpable on the right posterior triangle: each masuring 1cm x.5cm, non tender, firm, mobile and smooth.

Bilateral basal crepetations were audible on both the lung fields. The breath sounds were vesicular except ronchi was noticed over the right infra axillary region. Heart sounds were normal.

Liver and spleen was palpable 2 cms bellow the subcostal margin, and were nontender, smooth, firm with normal border.

Shifting dullness was present.

Investigations:

Blood: TLC: P: 26%, L: 64%, E: 8%, M: 2%. ESR: 42mm in first hour.

Hb: 9g%.

CXR: milliary shadow.

Ultrasound abdo: Hepatosplenomegaly with genralized hyperechogenicity, ascitis and paraaortic lymphadenopathy.

Mantoux test: 18mm.

FNAC of cervical lymphadenopathy: Central area of caseation with Langhans giant cells and plenty of lymphocyts in the periphery.

Stool: mucous and red blood cells present. OPC: absent. Culture within 48 hours: sterile. Urine: normal.

Diagnosis: milliary tuberculosis, involving lung, cervical lymphnodes, liver, spleen, intestine with PEM., phlyctenular conjunctivits and erythema nodosum.

9. Anil Kumar aged 45 days was brought in the ER by his mother with the presenting complaint of difficulty in sucking since last one week. Anil was delivered in the TUTH at term by elective caesarian section for CPD. The APGAR was 6 at one minute and 10 at five minutes. His birth weight was 3400 gms. He is having breast milk only and mother believes that she is producing enough milk for Anil. She had regular ante-natal check-up in TUTH. Anil was vaccinated with BCG on the second day of his life. Anil has one sister aged 3 years and she is healthy. His father owns a carpet factory and earning is satisfactory. Mother is a high school teacher science teacher. She is planning to join school after two months.

Differential diagnosis:

-congenital defects:

cardiac defects: cyanotic/ CCF.

respiratory defects: TOE/ partial agenesis.

-infections:

pneumonias, septicaemia.

-metabolic:

hypoglycaemia

Further informations:

Anil is sucking frequently but can not suck for long. He stops after sucking for 2-3 minutes. Mother feels the oral temperature of Anil normal while suckling. He is not having cough excessively but she has noticed blueness in the perioral regions off and on.

Examination findings:

Resp.rate: 64/minute. Temperature, rectal: 97.4°F. Pulse: 135/min.

Cyanosis: central, present. Pedal oedema: not detected. Pallor: absent.

Alert but tachypnoeic and having subcostal and severe intercostal indrawing.

OFC: 36 cms. Weight: 3.4 kg. Length:52 cms.

Scalp, fontanelle, face, oral cavity are normal.

Chest: Systolic murmur in the precordium more prominent over the xiphisternum. Lung fields: crepitations not heard.

Abdomen: massive swelling on the left hypochondrium moving with respiration, soft and smooth. No mass felt on the right hypochondrium

Umbilicus and hernial orifices normal.

Diagnosis: congenital cyanotic heart disease, dextrocardia with failure.
Suggested investigations: Chest x-ray.
Echo-cardiography.

Diagnosis: Dextrocardia with tricuspid regurgitation, ASD and pulmonary arterial hypertension.

Your presentation should be based on:

- The differential diagnosis based on given information and important positive and negative points in history and examination that will help to establish the diagnosis*.
- Investigations that are needed to establish the diagnosis with priority*.
- Suggested management plan.

* you must give reasons .

10. Mrs. Gauri attended the OPD of KCH with her son Gyanu, who is now 5 weeks old. She brought Gyanu to this OPD for general check-up as she was advised to do so during her discharge from TUTH.

Gyanu was delivered normally with the birth weight of 2500 gms at term. The APGAR score was 8 at one minute and 10 at 5 minutes. Mrs. Gauri was discharged from the hospital on the second day. She is breast feeding her baby whenever he cries. This is her first baby. Her husband works in military and she is a carpet weaver. Both of them are healthy.

On asking for further informations it was revealed that Gyanu is not growing well and vomits off and on. He is not having fever and sucks well. Mrs. Gauri believes her son is breathing normally and is not coughing but sometimes sneezes. He is passing urine and stool normally.

Differential diagnosis:

- faulty technique of breast feeding.
- gastrooesophageal reflux.
- milk curd syndrome
- hiatal hernia, hypertrophic pyloric stenosis.
- UTI/ Renal tubular lesions.
- Adrenal insufficiency.
- inborn errors of metabolism.

Further information:

Gyanu sucks milk every 2-3 hourly. Sucking is very powerful. She also burps after each feeding. The vomitus is nonbilious in nature. The vomiting would

occur occasionally within 15-30 minutes after some of feed. The vomiting was forceful but Mrs. Gauri did not feel it was projectile. There was no association of haemetesis, jaundice, convulsion or skin lesions.

Examination:

He was a relatively alert, thin infant in no apparent distress and with normal vital signs. Head circumference was 33 cm, weight 3 kg, length 50 cm. Palpation of the abdomen did not reveal any abnormal mass. Active bowel sounds were present with no bruits. No peristaltic waves were noted. The remainder of the examination including genitalia were normal.

Investigations:

Hb: 13.2 gm%; Haematocrit: 35%; WBC: 9,200/cmm (P:45%, L:48%, M:5%, E:2%); Platelets: 225,000/cmm.

Serum: Na 132 meq/L; K 3.8 meq/L; Cl 92 meq/L; albumin 4.6g%;

SGOT 24 units; alkaline phosphatase 90 Units;.

Urine: normal.

CXR: normal.

Diagnosis:

Congenital hypertrophic pyloric stenosis.

Investigations:

Ultrasound abdomen: normal.

Upper GI series: normal stomach and pylorus (X-ray 6a and b).

Final diagnosis: Milk curd syndrome.

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Jestha 2054:

1. Seven months old Mekhmaya was brought in the OPD by her mother with the complaints of loose motions off and on since 2 months and lethargy since this morning.

Further historical informations:

Home delivery. Cried immediately after birth. Started breast feeding within two hours of delivery and the baby sucked well. Absolute breast feeding for first six months of life. Weaning started with rice eating ceremony and since then diarrhoea started. She is not putting on weight as before once she started eating lito and bottle at six months. She had two injections given in the upper right thigh six weeks apart when she was 2 months old. She started sitting momentarily without support at six months but she can not sit at present.

Her mother is 19 year old and a carpet weaver, father also works as a daily wage earner. They live in a rented small room in Boudha. Mekhmaya is their only child.

Examination findings:

Length: 63 cms. Weight: 3.6 Kg. Head circumference: 43 cms, chest circumference: 42 cms.

Pulse: 96/min, equally palpable in all the limbs.

Resp. rate: 36/minute. Temperature: axillary 35°C.

General appearances: slides provided.

Investigations:

Blood glucose: 56 mg/dl.

Questions:

1. Diagnosis: Hypoglycaemia, hypothermia, severe undernutrition, chronic diarrhoea
2. Immediate management:
 - a. 1-2ml/kg of 50% dextrose iv immediately. continue with 1/5 normal saline in 10% dextrose.
 - b. cover with blanket, keep in warm room in mothers lap.
 - c. send blood for electrolytes.
 - d. order for portable chest x-ray.
 - e. send stool sample for OPC/pus cells and culture, sensitivity.

Further management: Calorie calculation and feeding. Nutrition education.

Case 2:

Ramila is a 13 month old child. Her mother brought to the emergency at mid night because she has had severe difficulty breathing since last four hours.

Previous day she was seen in the OPD for cough and fever.

Historical summary: Ramila was well till 4 days back when she developed mild cough and cold after coming from a fair riding a motor-bike. Mother provided her paracetamol and a cough mixture for two days. Fever persisted and she began to breathe faster but was able to drink, for which she attended the OPD. Ramila was prescribed ampicillin and went home. She continued to develop high fever and fever persisted. Suddenly in the night she became more irritable and her mother noticed she was grunting and was having severe difficulty in breathing.

The OPD notes were as follows:

Weight: 9.5 Kg.

Immunization: complete.

Temperature: axillary 39°C. Respiratory rate: 56/minute.

Stridor and wheeze were absent.

Subcostal indrawing: absent. Basal crepitations present over subscapular region bilaterally.

Emergency examination:

Grunting and restless. Not able to drink. Marked subcostal indrawing.

Respiratory rate: 96/min. Not dehydrated.

Temperature: 38.5°C

Difficult to examine for the other clinical signs.

Urgent Chest X-ray: provided.

A case of pneumothorax.

Further management:

- a. Oxygen Nasal canula at the rate of 1L/min.
- b. iv 1/5th Normal saline in 10% dextrose: 1000ml/24 hours.
- c. iv ceftriaxone 500 mg stat.
- d. blood for TLC/ differential and film.

Further investigative informations:

Blood:

TLC: 19,200/cmm. P: 86%;L: 10%; Band cells 4%; shift to the left.

Case 3

A five year old male child presented in the ER with the history of sudden loss of consciousness lasting for one hour. He was complaining of headache for the last few days.

Further relevant informations:

Three weeks prior he had mild cough associated with fever. Mother had also noticed lethargy, fast breathing and occasional vomiting for the last one week.

Examination findings:

Unconscious.

Pulse: 82/minute, bounding. Respiration: rate- 40/minute; abdomino-thoracic type. Temperature: 37.5°C. Blood pressure: 160/110 mm of Hg.

Oedema: pitting, bilateral over foot.

Liver: 3cms palpable below the costal margin on the mid clavicular line: soft, smooth with rounded margin.

Bilateral basal crepitations.

Glasgow coma scale (total score=7):

best motor response-withdraws (flexion); verbal response- nil;
eye opening- to pain.

The right leg was extended and externally rotated. Deviation of the angle of the mouth towards the left side on deep pressure over the supraorbital ridge.

Ankle jerk exaggerated on the right side.

Babinski's sign: up-going great toe on the right side.

Investigations:

Blood: Hb- 9 g%; TLC- 9500/cmm; P- 58%; L-42%.

glucose- 82mg/dl; urea- 10.2 mmol/l; creatinine- 200 micro mol/l;
sodium- 136 mEq/l. Potassium- 4 mEq/l.

X-ray chest: provided.

Catheter urine specimen: RBC- plenty; Protein-absent.

Next days reports:

ASO titre: 552 units; CRP- positive. C3-reduced.

Diagnosis:

Right sided hemiplegia, with failure due to post streptococcal glomerulonephritis.

Case 4

A 3 year old healthy looking female child was brought in the OPD with the presenting complaints swelling of both feet since last three days.

Further relevant informations:

This child had mild cough and cold few days back. Mother had noticed swelling around both eyes specially in morning for the last 5 days.

Examination findings:

Pulse: 96/minute. Respiratory rate: 28/min. Temperature: 37°C.

BP: 100/65 mm of Hg.

Height: 95 cms. Weight: 16 Kg.

Bilateral pitting pedal oedema. Periorbital oedema.

Shifting dullness present.

Investigations:

Urine: Protein- ++++; RBC- 4-8/hpf.

Blood: Hb- 10 g%; TLC- 8900/cmm; P-48%, L-52%

Serum albumin: 20 g/l; cholesterol: 10.5 mmol/l.

Urea: 6.5 mmol/l; creatinine: 55 micro mol/l

Na: 135 mEq/l; Potassium: 4 mEq/l.

24 hour urinary protein: 2.8 g/24 hrs.

Serum calcium: 1.8 mmol/l.

C3 normal.

Case 5

A nine year old male child from Trisuli was seen in the OPD with the presenting complaints of difficulty in breathing since last two weeks. There is no history of cough or fever within two weeks but mild coryzal symptoms were noted one month back.

Further relevant informations:

He was born at home without any perinatal problems. His neonatal and infancy periods were uneventful. He is fully immunized with primary vaccinations. There is no previous history of joint pain or similar episode. He is studying in class three in the local school which is half hour walk from his home and the performance is well. He was seen in the Trishuli hospital last week and was prescribed medicine but without any improvement.

Examination findings:

Height: 119 cms; Weight: 18 Kg. Pulse: 96/min, regular but low volume;
Respiratory rate: 28/min. Temp: 36°C; BP: 90/70 mm of Hg.

JVP: raised.

Oedema present.

Lung fields: basal crepitations.

Apical impulse: 5th intercostal space, 1 cm outside the midclavicular line.

Holosystolic murmurs over the mitral and tricuspid area present.

Liver: 3cms below the costal margin in the midclavicular line.

Investigations:

ECG: prominent p wave, qrs complex also prominent, non specific T wave abnormality.

Echo: dilatation of left atrium and ventricle and poor contractility. Doppler study showed decreased flow velocity through the aortic valve and mitral regurgitation.

Diagnosis: dilated post infectious cardiomyopathy with congestive cardiac failure.