# PARATHYROID GLAND-2 DISORDERS

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## HORMONAL DYSFUNCTIONS:

### Hypersecretion

- Rare; usually results from parathyroid gland tumor
  Calcium leached from bones; bones soften and deform
- □ Mineral salts are replaced by fibrous connective tissue
- □ Ex., osteitis cystica fibrosa = fragile bones, fracture spontaneously
- □ Depressed nervous system □ weakness of skeletal muscles and abnormal reflexes
- □ Formation of kidney stones due to excess salts precipitating in the kidney tubules
- Deposition of calcium deposits in soft tissues of the

# HORMONAL DYSFUNCTIONS

#### Hyposecretion

Results from parathyroid gland trauma or removal during thyroid surgery □ Can also be caused by an extended deficiency of dietary magenesium (function parathyroidism) Excitability of neurons and tetany □ Loss of sensation, muscle twitches, and convulsions Can progress to respiratory paralysis and death

# HYPERPARATHYROIDISM

Over activity of one or more of the parathyroid glands.

Incidence-

Greatest numbers after 60 years

Females> males (2:1)

## DISORDER

#### Hyperparathyroidism

Hyperparathyroidism, which is caused by overproduction of parathyroid hormone by the parathyroid glands, is characterized by bone decalcification and the development of renal calculi (kidney stones) containing calcium.

# PATHOPHYSIOLOGY

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- Normal function of PTH is to increase bone reabsorption, thereby maintaining proper balance of calcium and phosphorus ions in the blood
- Excessive circulating PTH leads to bone damage, hypercalcemia, and kidney damage

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# INCIDENCE

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- It occurs 2-4 times more often in women than in men and most common in people between 60-70 years of age.
- The disorder is rare in children younger than 15 yrs. of age but incidence increases tenfold between the ages of 15 to 65 years.



# TYPES OF HYPERPARATHYROIDISM

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There are three main types of hyperparathyroidism.

- Primary hyperparathyroidism means the underlying problem starts in the parathyroid glands. Secondary and tertiary hyperparathyroidism means that another disease in the body has caused the parathyroid glands to be overactive.
- In secondary hyperparathyroidism, there is a signal to the gland to produce more parathyroid hormone (for example, a low <u>vitamin</u> <u>D</u> level).
- In tertiary hyperparathyroidism, the glands continue to over-secrete parathyroid hormone even though the signal is gone. These conditions may be seen in <u>kidney disease</u>.





# CAUSES

- In the majority of cases the cause of hyperparathyroidism is not known. In most people, hyperparathyroidism occurs sporadically.
- In some cases, however, there can be a genetic basis for developing the disorder. A rare inherited syndrome called familial multiple endocrine neoplasia type 1 is associated with hyperparathyroidism.
- In some cases, all four of the parathyroid glands are somewhat enlarged and secrete excessive amounts of hormones. This is referred to as hyperplasia.



# SYMPTOMS

## **CLINICAL MANIFESTATION**

 Excessive calcium may cause high blood pressure or hypertension. Symptoms are often described as "moans, stones, groans, and bones".

#### Moans (gastrointestinal conditions)

- Constipation
- Nausea and vomiting
- Decreased appetite
- Abdominal pain
- Peptic ulcer disease
- Frequent heartburn

#### Stones (kidney-related conditions)

Kidney stones

- Groans (psychological conditions)
- Confusion
- Dementia
- Memory loss
- Depression
- Personality changes
- Bones (bone pain and bone-related conditions)
- Bone aches and pains
- Fractures
- Curving of the spine and loss of height
- Flank pain
- Frequent urination



# HYPOPARATHYROIDISM

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- Hypoparathyroidism is an uncommon condition in which body secretes abnormally low levels of parathyroid hormone (PTH). PTH is key to regulating and maintaining a balance of body's levels of two minerals calcium and phosphorus.
- The low production of PTH in hypoparathyroidism leads to abnormally low calcium levels in blood and bones and to an increase of phosphorus in blood.



# SYMPTOMS

# **CLINICAL MANIFESTATIONS**

- Tingling or burning (paraesthesia) in fingertips, toes and lips
- Muscle aches or cramps in legs, feet, abdomen or face
- Twitching or spasms of muscles, particularly around mouth, but also in your hands, arms and throat
- Fatigue or weakness
- Painful menstruation
- Patchy hair loss
- Dry, coarse skin
- Brittle nails
- Depression or anxiety



## DISORDER

## Hypoparathyroidism

- Deficiency of PTH due to hyposecretion of Parathyroid glands
- Serum calcium levels are abnormally low, serum phosphate levels are abnormally high and tetany may develop.
- Incidence-
  - Women are more prone than men
  - Incidence related to thyroid surgery

## DISORDER

#### Hypoparathyroidism-Assessment

#### Chronic Hypoparathyroidism

Lethargy, weakness, fatigue Thin , patchy hair Brittle nails Dry scaly skin Personality changes Cataracts Permanent Brain Damage THANKS