

Urological Consults and Emergencies

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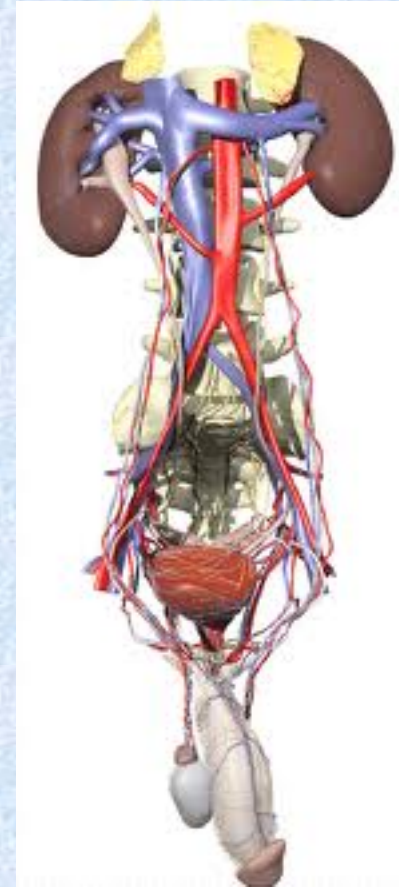
Goals

- Discuss urological topics
- Discuss workup
- Learn tx options
- Answer any questions pertaining to urology



TOPICS

- Hematuria (bleeding is bad)
- Acute Scrotum (torsion , fourniers and ingrown hairs)
- BPH/BOO
- Stones (infected or just hurtful)
- Paraphimos, penile fracture, priapism



Case #1

- A 60 year old with gross hematuria
- Several episodes of gross (visible), total (all through the urinary stream), painless hematuria.

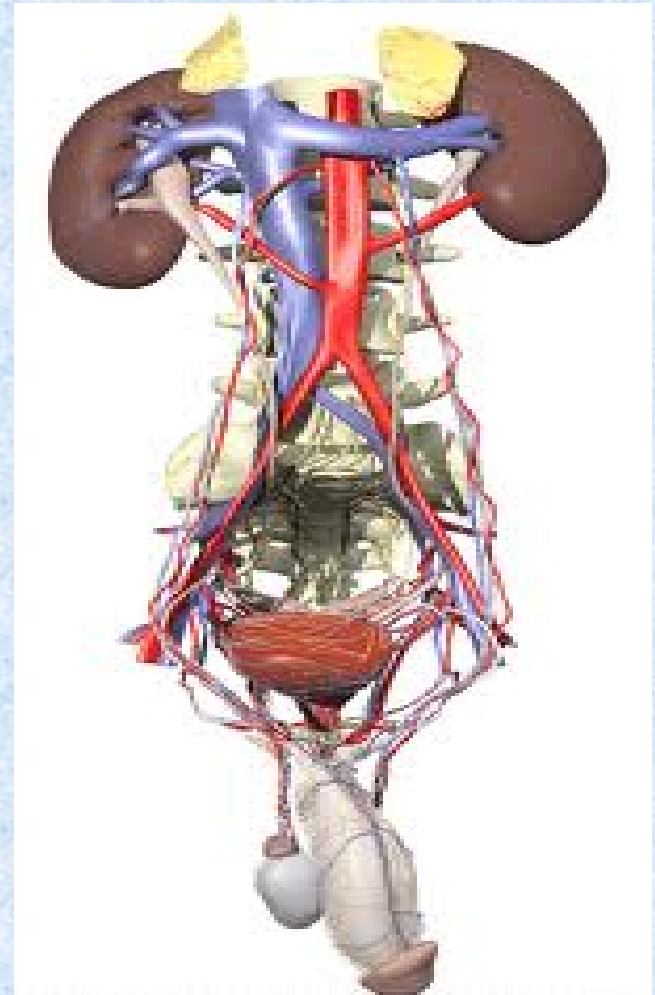


Workup

- Hx: Ex smoker (50 pack years)
- Ex Texas Refinery Worker
- No ASA or thinners
- Exam: No masses
- DRE 50 g no masses
- Labs:
- UA 20 – 30 RBC – otherwise negative
- CBC
- CMP

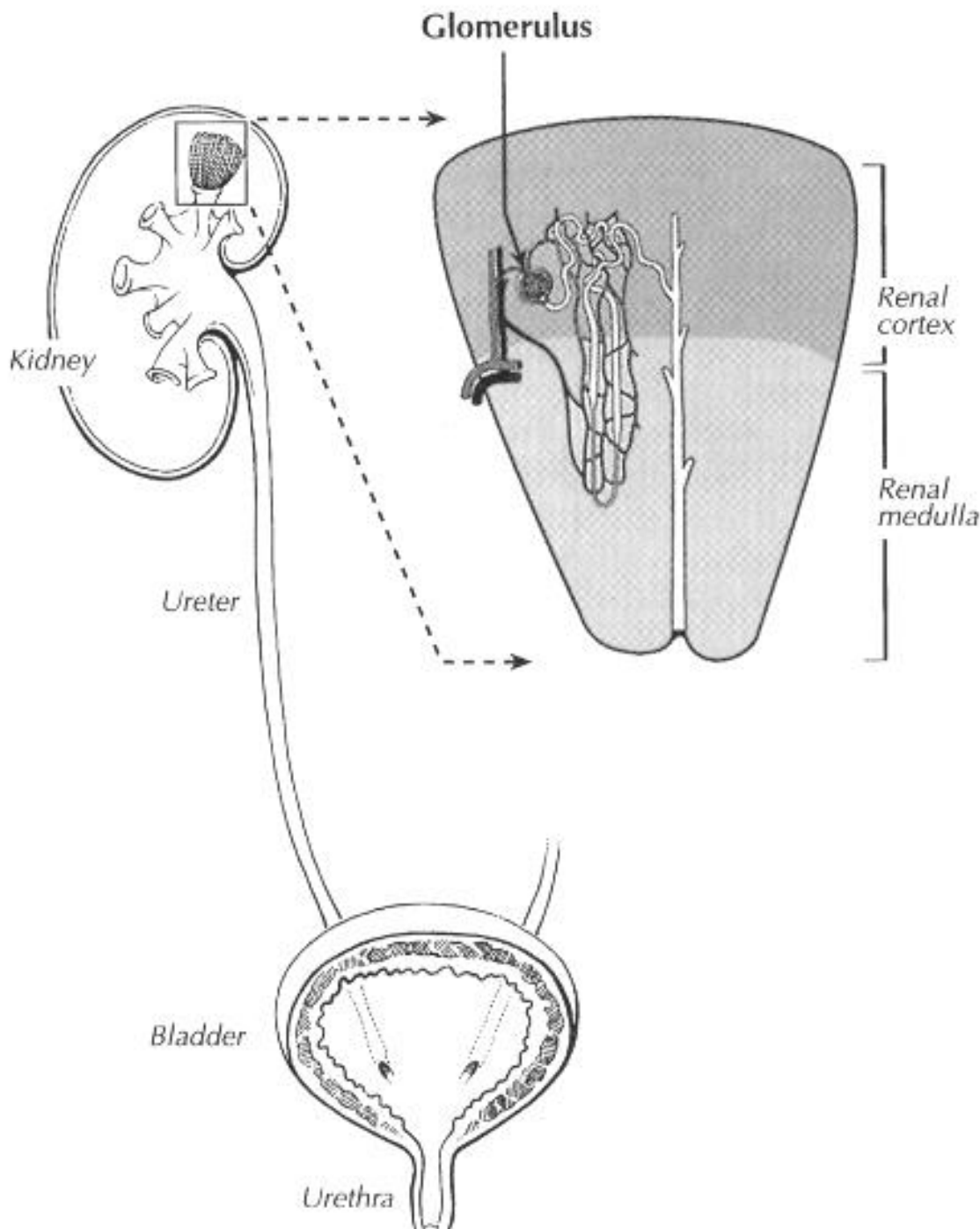
What Next?

- Upper and Lower Tract Evaluation
- Urine Studies
- Cx and cytology



Hematuria

- Red flag that demands careful attention and must not be ignored
- Defined as abnormal excretion of red blood cells (>3 RBF/hpf)
- Associated with multiple medical and surgical problems, ranging from minor incidental findings to urologic neoplasms
- Categorized into glomerular, non-glomerular, coagulopathy-related, trauma, and factitious causes



Glomerular

IGA nephropathy (Berger's disease)

Postinfectious glomerulonephritis (poststrep, endocarditis, viral)

Glomerulonephritis caused by systemic disease

Vasculitis (lupus, Wegener's granulomatosis, polyarteritis)

Henoch-Schonlein Purpura (HSP)

Thrombotic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (TTP)

Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS)

Familial glomerulonephritis

Alport syndrome

Thin glomerular basement membrane disease

Fabry's disease

Nail-Patella syndrome

Rapidly progressive glomerulonephritis

Goodpasture's syndrome

Membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis

Subacute bacterial endocarditis

Exercise

Nonglomerular

Renal (tubulointerstitial)

Infection

Pyelonephritis

Tuberculosis

Tumor (renal cell carcinoma)

Interstitial nephritis (acute or chronic)

Drug-induced (penicillin, cephalosporin, diuretics, NSAIDs)

Infection (syphilis, toxoplasmosis, cytomegalovirus, Epstein-Barr)

Systemic disease (sarcoidosis, lymphoma, Sjogren's syndrome)

Papillary necrosis (secondary to prolonged NSAID use)

Familial

Polycystic kidney disease

Hematuria

- Most common presenting sign of urinary tract cancer or parenchymal renal disease
- Low threshold for urological workup

Hematuria

- Gross blood or clots in the urine generally prompt patient to seek medical attention
- Painless gross hematuria requires a complete urologic workup
- Patients with gross hematuria have 5x the number of life threatening conditions compared with microscopic hematuria

Hematuria

- Microscopic hematuria >3 RBC' s/hpf
- Microscopic hematuria evaluations result in significant disease in 3.4 to 56% of individuals
- 0-26% discover of malignancy
- Wide ranges reflect differences in age and sex of patient population

Hematuria- History

- Silent or Painless
- Irritative voiding symptoms
- Colicky
- Onset and duration
- Associated pain
- History of trauma, catheterization, exercise
- Hematuria history

Hematuria- History

- Family history (DM, sickle cell, polycystic disease, stones)
- Cyclic
- Hematospermia
- Initial vs. terminal vs total
- Systemic symptoms
- Medications (NSAIDS, chemo, coumadin)

Hematuria- History

- Smoking history
- Occupational exposure to chemicals and dyes
- Radiation history
- History of gross hematuria
- Age > 40yo
- Previous urological history
- UTI history

Hematuria- History

- UTI: dysuria, frequency, suprapubic discomfort, pyuria. 50% of kids
- Stones: acute, colicky pain, nausea and vomiting
- Cancer- *painless gross hematuria*

Hematuria- PE

- Fever and vital signs
- Abdominal Mass
- Flank pain
- Atrial fibrillation or murmur
- Urethral lesions
- Scrotal exam
- DRE and Vaginal exam

Hematuria- Labs

- UA- midstream or catheterized
- Urine cx
- CBC
- Chem 7
- Coagulation Panel
- Casts and proteinuria

Hematuria- Diagnostic studies

- Ultrasound
- IVP
- CT scans- IVP vs Urography
- MRI

Hematuria management

- Most patients with hematuria need urologic workup, especially if have risk factors
- Menstruation, exercise, infection follow up
- Remember that microscopic hematuria can be intermittent
- Complete GU workup includes upper tract studies first then cystoscopy
- If inpatient, can do upper tract studies then follow up for outpatient cystoscopy. Do not need consultation unless other issues involved

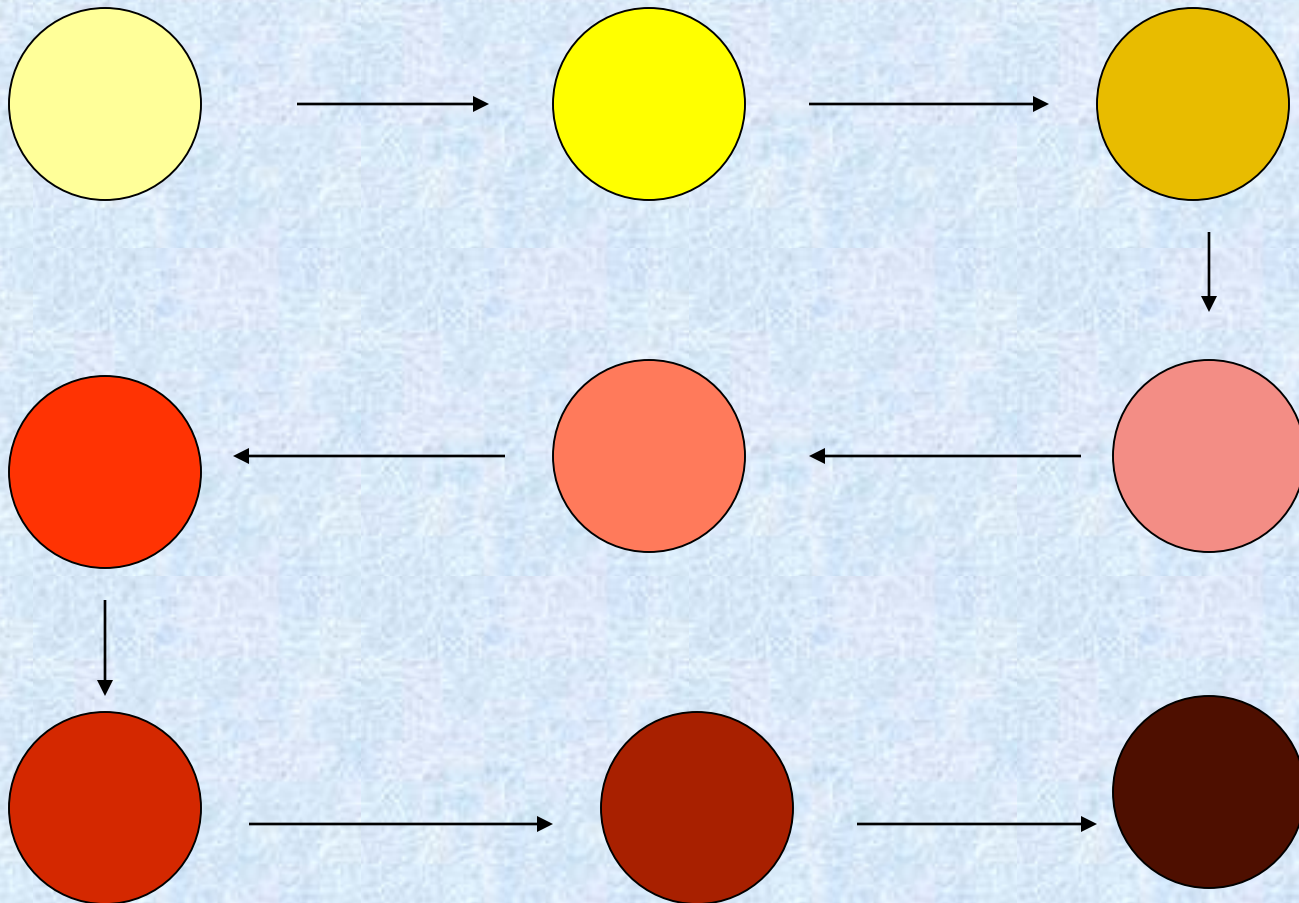
Flow diagram



Gross hematuria

- Rarely glomerular in origin
- 5x greater risk of malignancy
- Workup as instructed before
- Can range from slight discoloration to gross blood with clots

Gross hematuria- color



Gross Hematuria

Differential

- Bladder/ renal cancer
- BPH
- Traumatic catheterization
- Excessive coagulation
- UTI
- AV fistula
- Bladder stones
- Trauma
- Radiation cystitis

Gross hematuria

- Visible urine is presenting symptoms in up to 85% of patients with bladder ca and 40% of renal ca

Gross hematuria

- Evaluate for clots
- Large bore catheter (22 Fr and above)
- Irrigate out clots
- Hints: two-way catheter, lidocaine urojet, >100 fluid
- Most of the time, that is all you need to do

Gross hematuria

- Murphy drip if still bleeding
- ***MUST HAVE ALL THE CLOTS OUT BEFORE STARTING MURPHY GTT**
- If starting murphy gtt or on gtt for >24 hours, call urology

Random thought

- Dark vs red clots
- Clumps vs stringy clots
- Irrigation amount
- Self TURP: PUT CATHETER BACK IN
- Call with any questions

Summary

- Gross hematuria not uncommon
- History/Exam/Labs/Studies
- Large differential but must rule out cancer
- IRRIGATE out all clots before Murphy gtt
- Two way then three way large bore catheter
- Urojet is your friend
- GU consult if any questions

Case #2

- 10 year old boy in ER with testicular pain



Workup

- Right testicular pain
 - He couldn't eat
 - No scrotal injury
 - No fever or dysuria
- Exam: Right testis is about 2 – 3 times the size of the left, it lies high in the scrotum, the skin is red, and the right hemiscrotum is very tender.

Acute Scrotum

- Not an uncommon occurrence
- Although testicular torsion is one of the least common causes, it should be high on the differential because salvage rates correlate inversely with time to exploration

Acute Scrotum

- Detailed History
- Physical exam
- Studies
- Differential
- Management

Acute Scrotum

- Onset of Pain
- Duration of Pain
- Radiation of Pain
- Scrotal history
- Associated symptoms
- Trauma

Acute Scrotum PE

- How Patient Looks
- Initial examination important



Acute Scrotum

PE

Inspection

- Edema
- Erythema
- Inguinal fullness
- Urethral discharge
- Scrotal rash
- Size

Acute Scrotum

PE

Palpation

- Cremasteric reflex
- +/- Hernias
- Unaffected side first
- Testis and Cord
- Position, Lie, Axis

Acute Scrotum

PE

Palpation

- Size
- +/- Tenderness with location
- Blue dot sign
- Testicular manipulation
- DRE

Acute Scrotum

PE

Transillumination

- Darken room
- R/o hydrocele

Acute Scrotum Studies

- Midstream urine analysis
- Gram stain
- Urine culture
- Pyuria and Bacteriuria
- Sexually active men

Acute Scrotum

Studies

- Ultrasound
- Color dopplar sensitivity 86-92%
- Operator dependent
- **SHOULD NOT** supplant clinical exam
- Flow: no vs low vs high
- Hydrocele, abscess, epididymitis, hernia
- False Negatives

Acute Scrotum

Differential

- Scrotal edema
- Testicular torsion
- Epididymitis
- Hernia
- Torsed testicular appendage
- Prostatitis
- Abscess
- Necrotizing fasciitis
- Nothing

Scrotal Edema

- Anasarca
- Heart Failure
- Obesity
- Ambulation
- Scrotal elevation
- Medical management

Testicular torsion

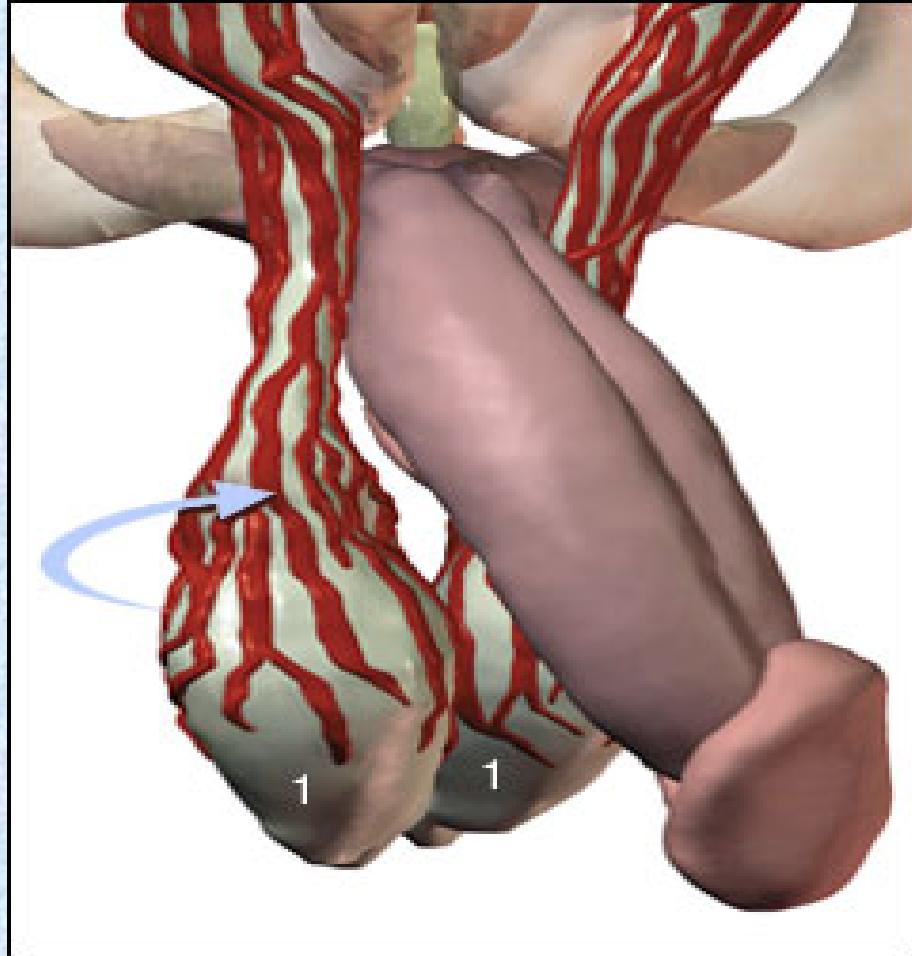
- Bimodal Distribution
- Acute onset
- Severe pain without relief
- Constitutional symptoms
- History of severe pain

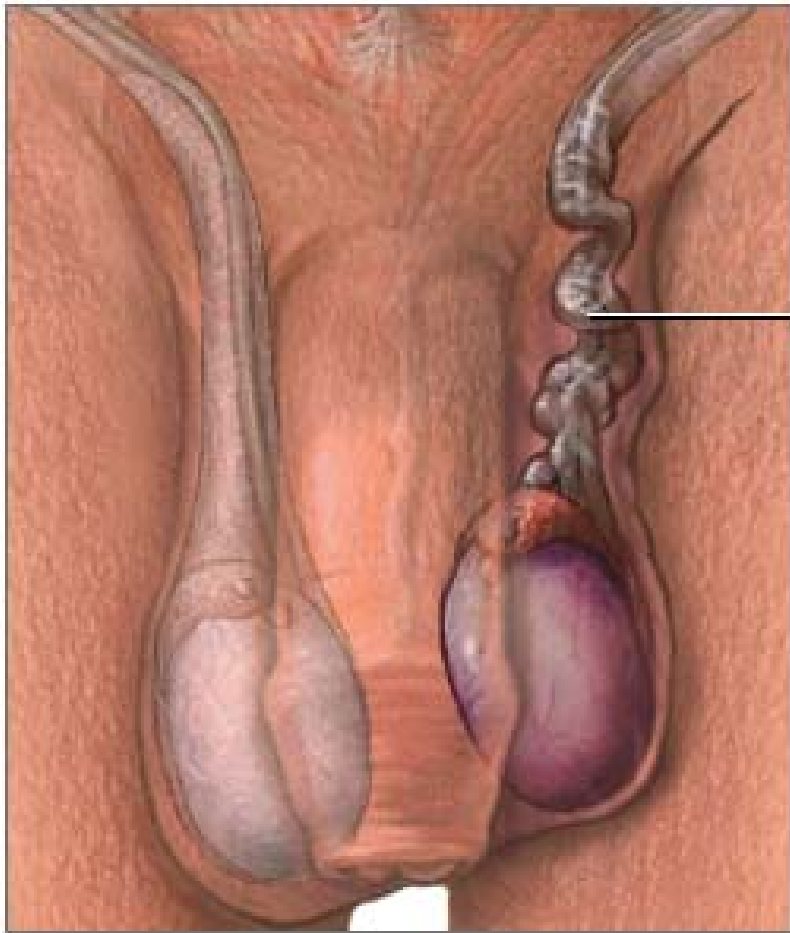
Testicular torsion

- Absent cremasteric reflex
- High riding testicle
- Bell clapper deformity
- Axis change
- Pain tenderness
- US: low or absent flow

Testicular torsion

- Surgical emergency
- Salvage >90% if < 6hours
- <20% if >12 hours
- Scrotal exploration with bilateral orchidopexy



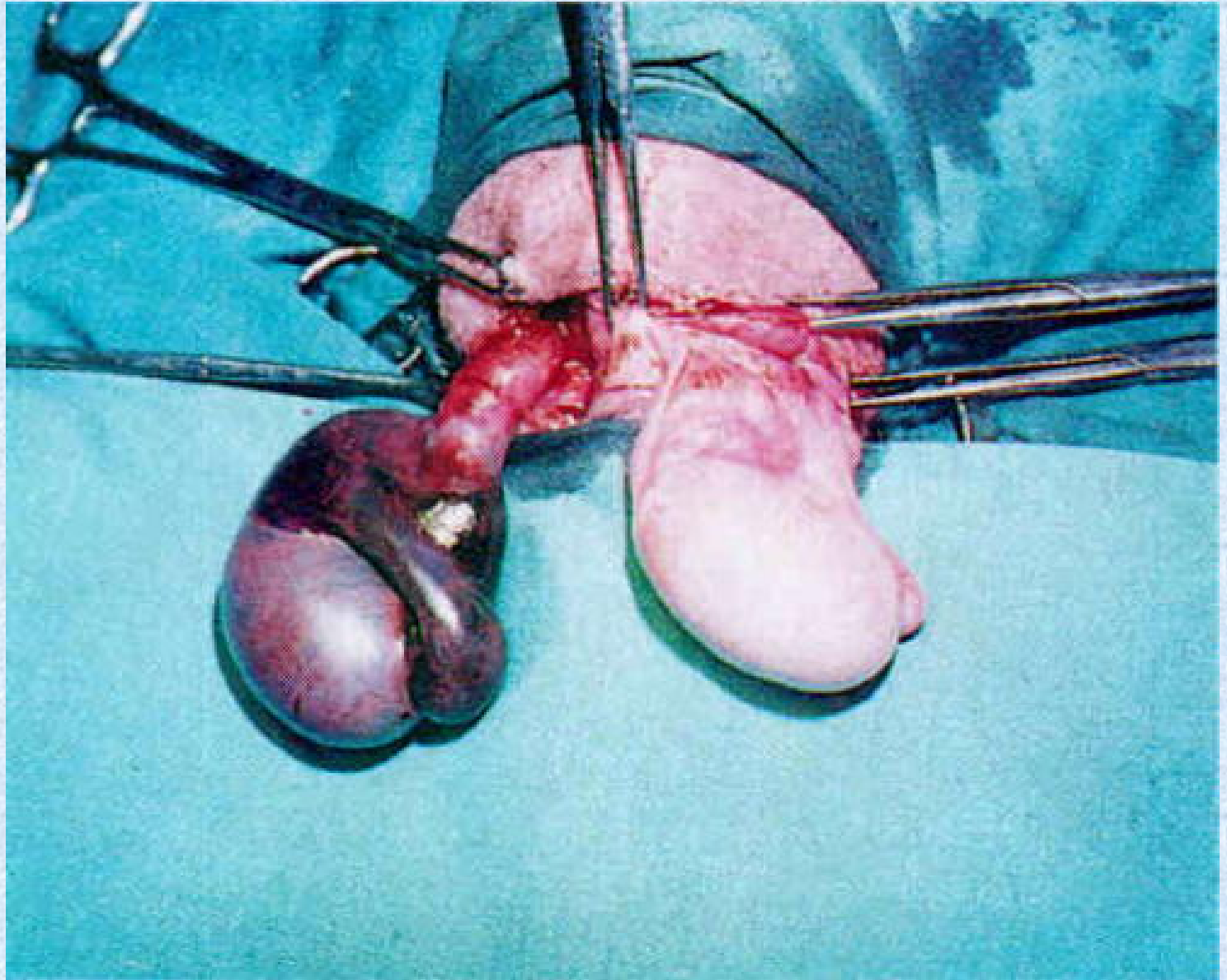


Twisted
spermatic
cord

FIGURE 1



In testicular torsion, the testis is swollen and lies horizontal and higher than normal. Inset: Intraoperative view of testicular torsion.

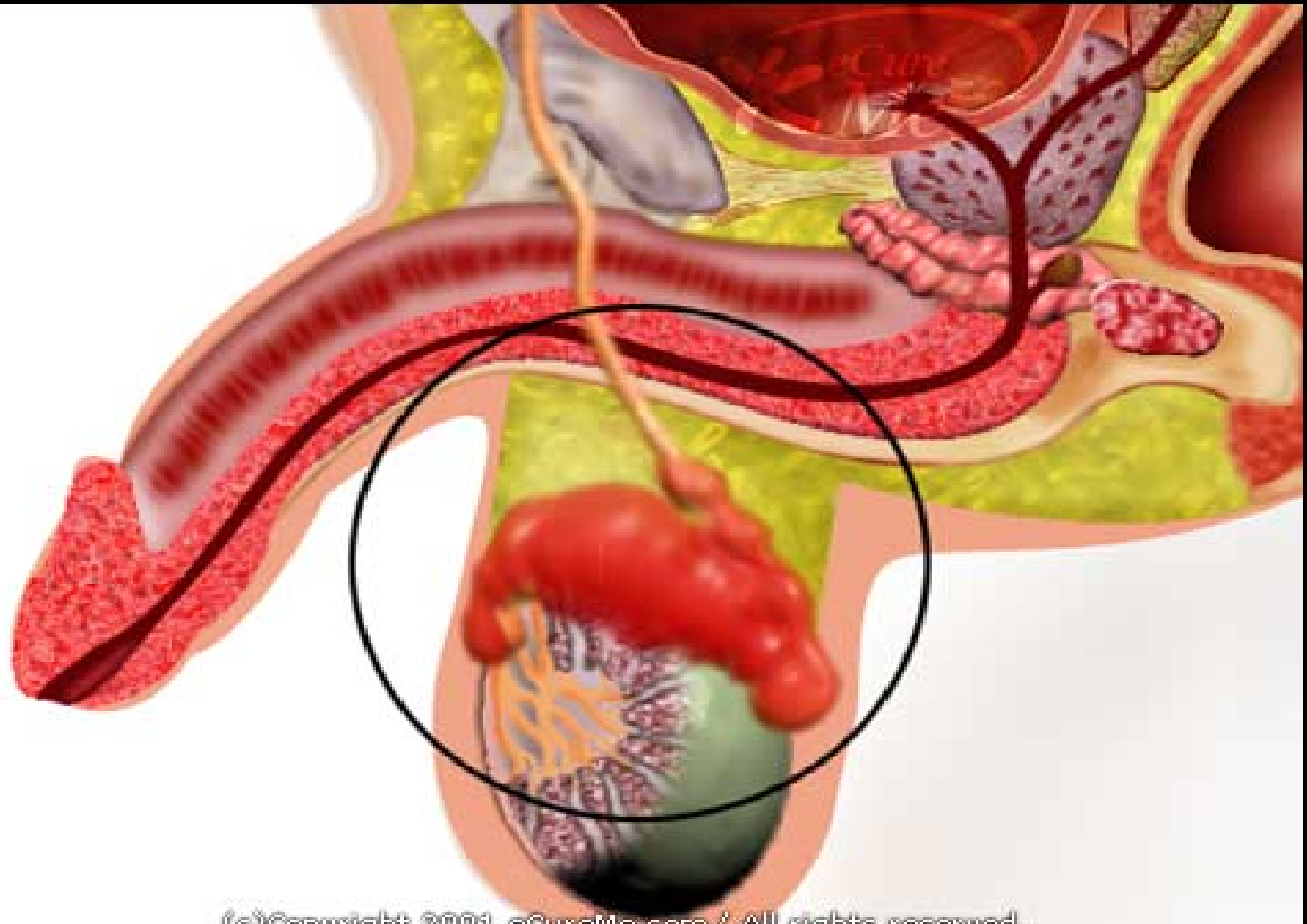


Epididymitis

- Usually secondary to inflammation or infection from GU tract
- Most common cause
- Gradual pain
- Fevers
- Epididymal and testicular pain
- “Prehns” sign

Epididymitis

- UA: pyuria and bacteruria
- US: normal or increased flow
- R/o abscess
- Tx: bedrest, abx, NSAIDs
- <35yo and sexually active: IM ceftriaxome and doxycycline (Gonorrhea & Chylamidia)
- >35yo Fluoroquinolones (E coli)



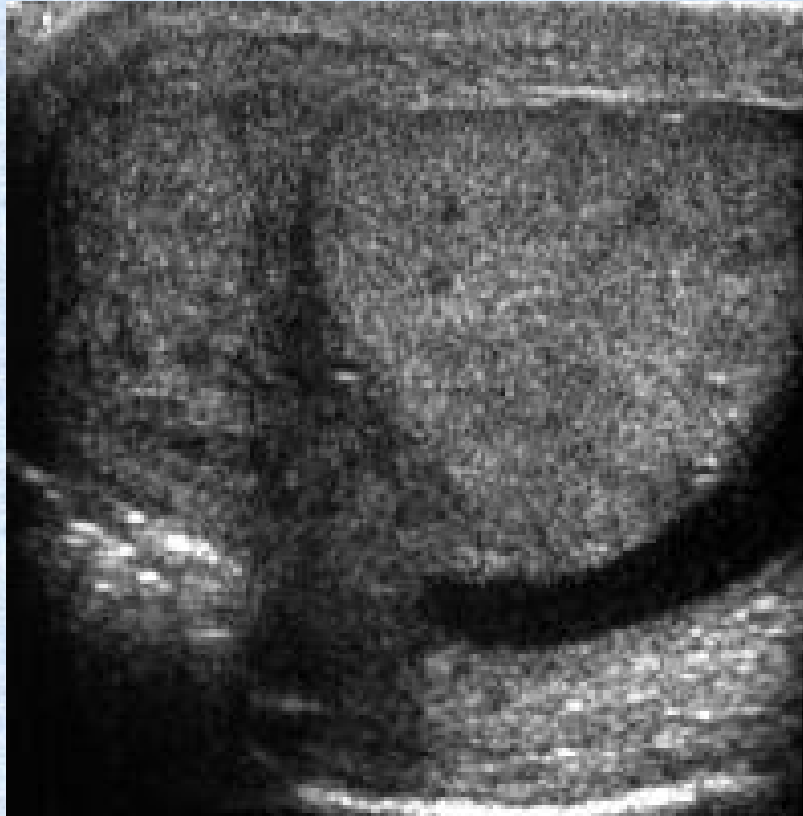
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epididymitis (a complication of gonorrhoea) www.healthac.org



Hernia

- R/o incarceration
- Pain up inguinal canal
- General Surgery consult

Torsed Appendage

- Rare in adults
- Gradual pain
- Blue dot sign
- Localized pain
- Tx: bedrest, NSAIDS, scrotal elevation

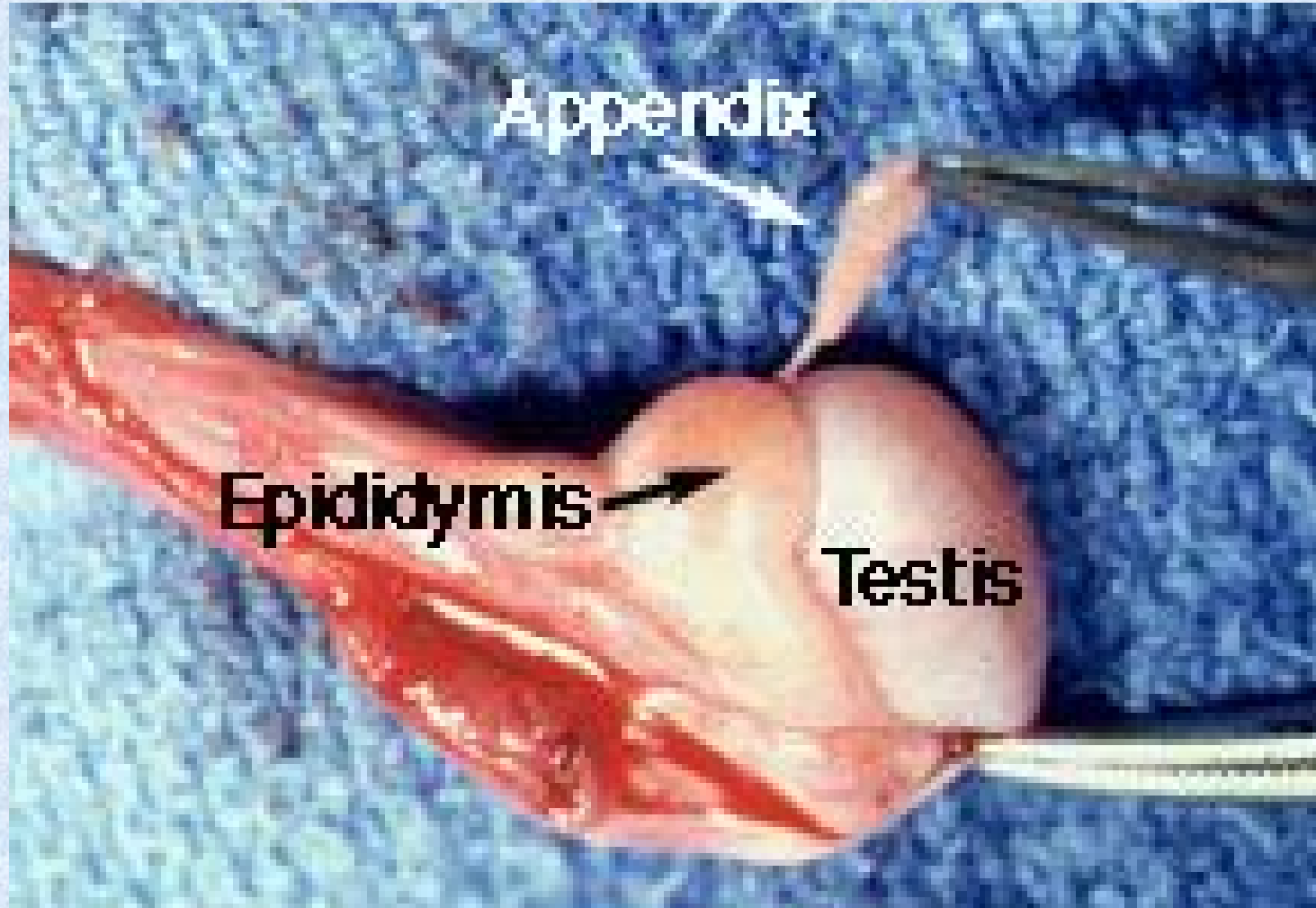


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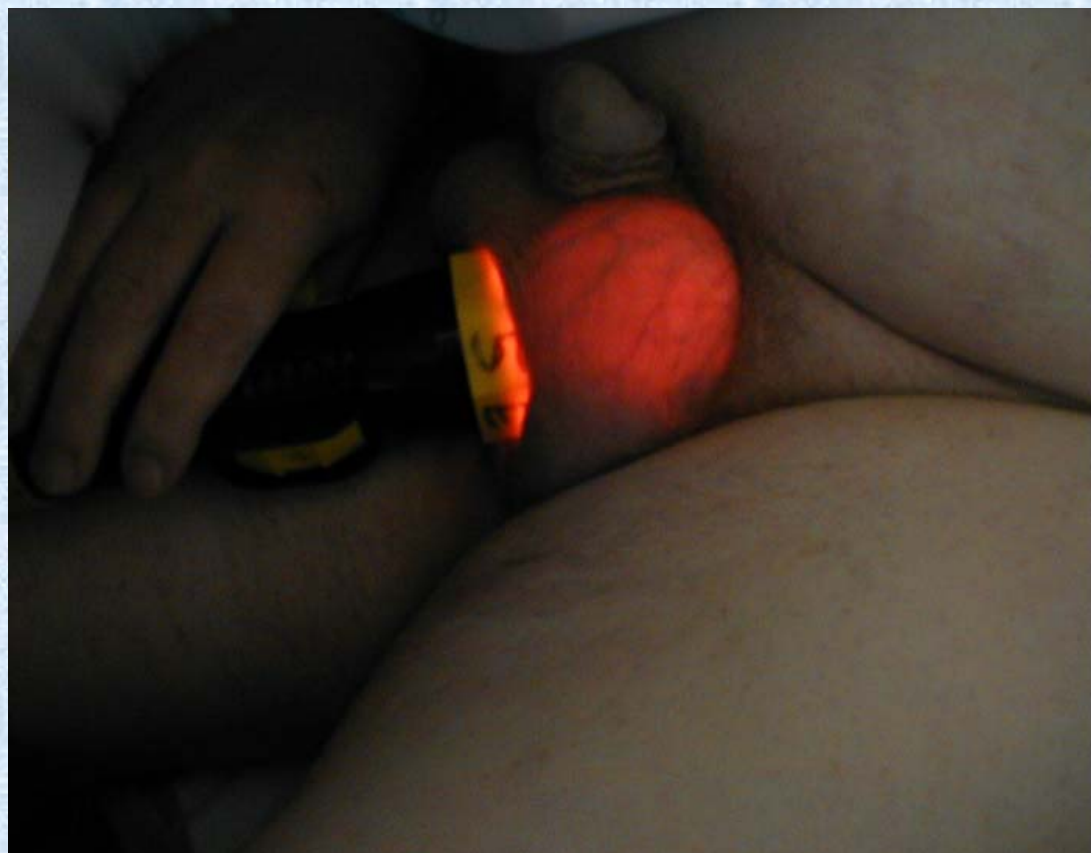


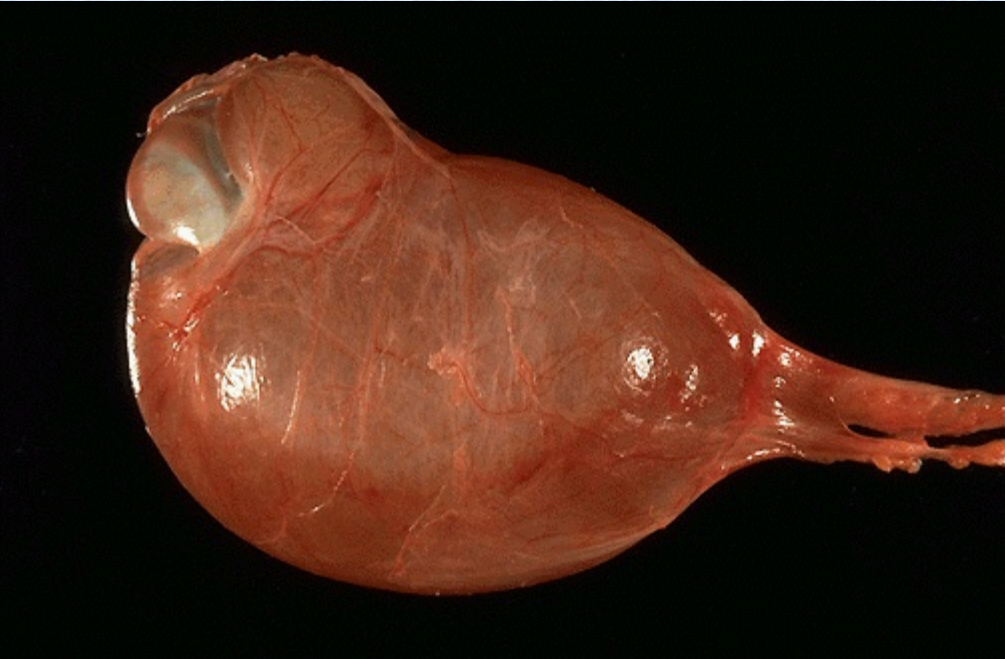
The so-called blue-dot sign (left, arrow) is a distinctive, although not universal, finding in a patient who has torsion of an appendix testis that has progressed to infarction. Right: Intraoperative view of torsion of an appendix testis.

Hydrocele

- Can be reactive to changes from other causes
- Must be able to palpate testicle if worried
- US if unclear
- If isolated hydrocele, surgical treatment only if pain, discomfort or affecting movement

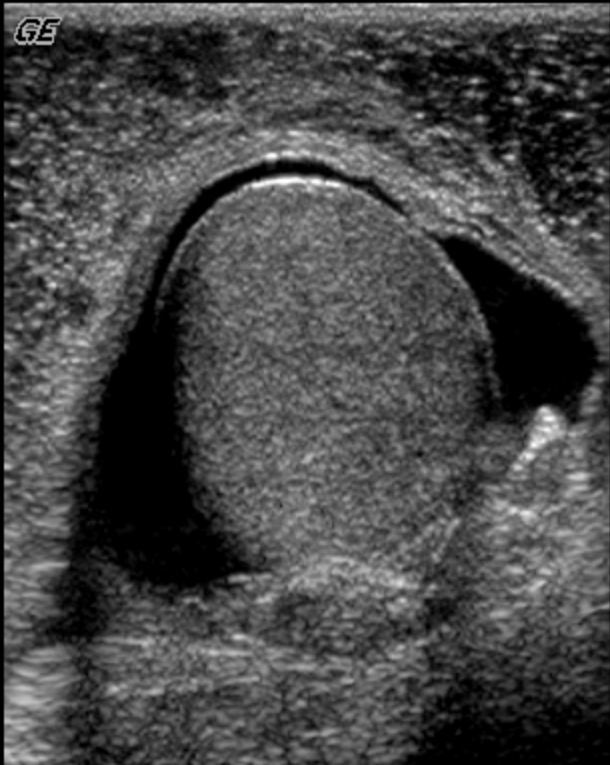






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IM#46

5cm **11**LA39
SCROTAL
FROZEN
29G
78DR
E4 ME* A4



SCROTAL EDEMA / HYDROCELE

MI=0.7 AO=100%

TESTICULAR CANCERS

- 15-34
- Type:
 - Yolk sac
 - Seminoma
 - Spermatocytic seminoma
- Exam, Serum markers
- Rad orch and XRT/RPLND, Chemo



Abscess

- Tenderness
- Fever
- Erythema
- Immunocompromised
- Discharge
- US: if epididymitis not improving
- I&D of scrotum with ABX



Summary

- Acute Scrotal Pain requires urgent evaluation
- Must rule out torsion
- Good history and physical exam
- US if needed
- GU consult if unsure

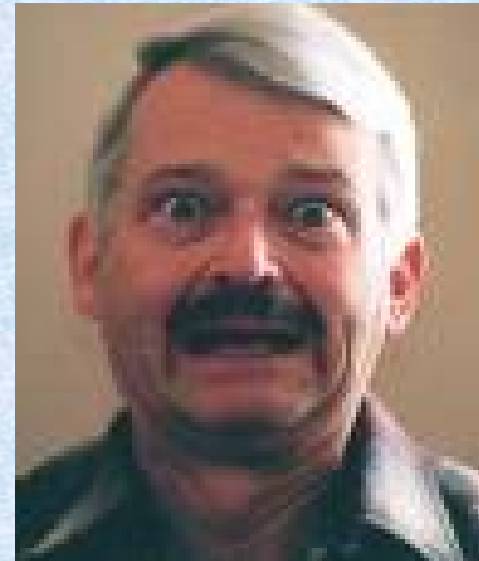
Case #3

- A 60 year old man
- C/o frequency, nocturia and dribbling
- Diminished urine flow



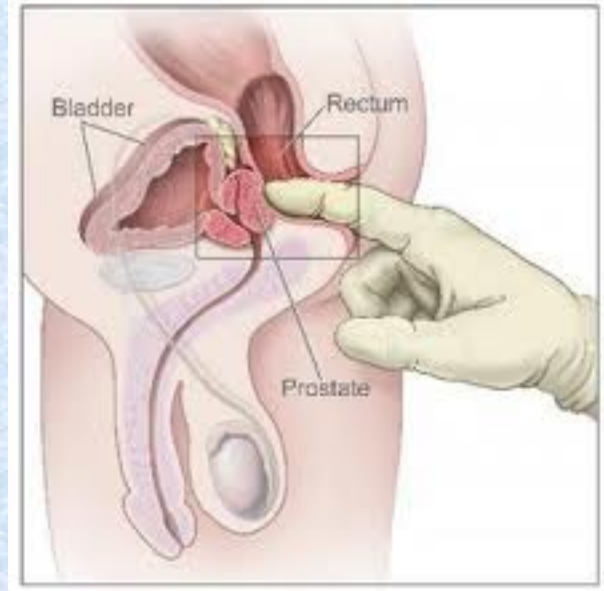
Urinary Retention

- Typical for hospitalized patients
- Constipation
- Limited activity
- Narcotics
- Recent Surgery
- Urinal



- LUTS
- Obstructive symptoms (hesitancy, weak flow, etc.)
- Irritative symptoms (frequency, urgency, etc.) and
- Bother (the degree to which our man is bothered).

- DRE
- Bowel function (FOS)
- Sacral innervation (anal sphincter)
- Equivocal: urodynamics – as simple as an uroflow and post void residual (PVR) or more invasive like cystometrics and pressure flow studies.

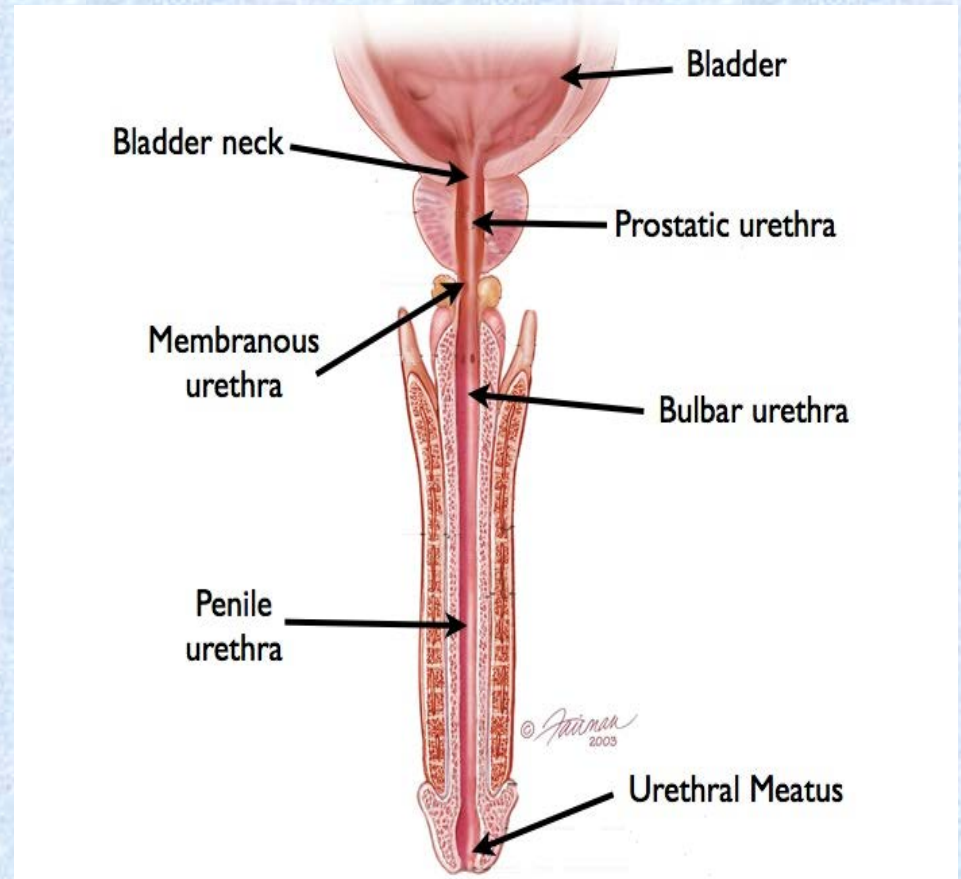


Obstructive Uropathy

- Anatomy
- Innervations
- Mechanisms
- BPH
- Stricture
- BNC
- Stones
- Pca or Bladder Cancer
- Foreign Object

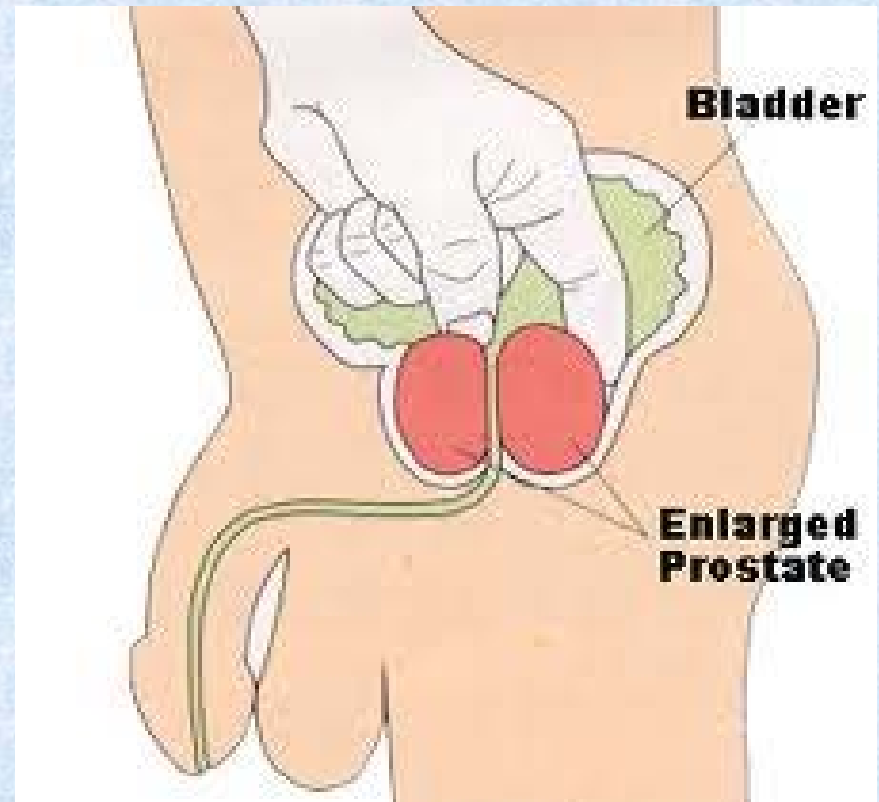
Obstructive Uropathy

- Functional
 - Neurologic
 - Decompensation
 - Dysfunctional Voiding



WORKUP

- HX
- PE
- LABS
- STUDIES
 - PVR
 - URODYNAMICS
 - CYSTO
 - IMAGING



Obstructive Uropathy

ANTICHOLINERGICS

TRICYCLIC ANTIDEPRESSANTS

PROSTOGLANDIN INHIBITORS

CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS

BETA ADRENERGIC AGONIST

SYMPATHOMIMETICS

Ephedrine

pseudoephedrine

*amphetaminemethamphetaminemethyl
phenidate (Ritalin)*

lisdexamfetamine (Vyvanse)

*cocaine (found in Erythroxylum coca,
Coca)*

*cathinone (found in Catha edulis,
Khat)*

cathine (also found in Catha edulis)

BPH

- Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia
- (1) direct bladder outlet obstruction (BOO) from enlarged tissue (static component) and (2) from increased smooth muscle tone and resistance within the enlarged gland (dynamic component).

- Traditionally, the primary goal of treatment has been to alleviate bothersome LUTS that result from prostatic enlargement. More recently, treatment has additionally been focused on the alteration of disease progression and prevention of complications that can be associated with BPH/LUTS.

- A variety of pharmacologic classes are employed including alpha-adrenergic antagonists (alpha-blockers), 5-alpha-reductase inhibitors (5-ARIs), anticholinergics and phytotherapeutics. Choosing the correct medical treatment for BPH is truly complex and ever-changing.

LUTS

- **LUTS include storage and/or voiding disturbances common in aging men. Storage symptoms are experienced during the storage phase of the bladder and include daytime frequency and nocturia; voiding symptoms are experienced during the voiding phase. LUTS may be due to structural or functional abnormalities in one or more parts of the lower urinary tract that comprises the bladder, bladder neck, prostate, distal sphincter mechanism, and urethra. Of note, LUTS may result from abnormalities of the peripheral and/or central nervous systems that provide neural control to the lower urinary tract. LUTS may also be secondary to cardiovascular, respiratory or renal dysfunction or disease. Thus, this disease entity is particularly complex to evaluate, survey and treat.**

- **The overactive bladder syndrome is defined as urgency with or without urge incontinence, usually with frequency and nocturia.**
- **Detrusor overactivity is a urodynamic observation characterized by involuntary detrusor contractions during the filling phase. These contractions may be spontaneous or provoked. □**

- If the initial evaluation demonstrates the presence of LUTS associated with results of a digital rectal exam (DRE) suggesting prostate cancer, hematuria, abnormal prostate-specific antigen (PSA) levels, recurrent infection, palpable bladder, history/risk of urethral stricture, and/or a neurological disease raising the likelihood of a primary bladder disorder, the patient should be referred to a urologist for appropriate evaluation before advising treatment. Baseline renal insufficiency appears to be no more common in men with BPH than in men of the same age group in the general population.

Tx

- Behavioral Modification
- Lifestyle changes
- Medical Therapy
- More aggressive intervention

- **Watchful Waiting**
- **Medical Therapies**
- *Alpha-Blockers*
- - Alfuzosin
- - Doxazosin
- - Tamsulosin
- - Terazosin
- - Silodosin*

- *5- Alpha-reductase inhibitors (5-ARIs)*
- - Dutasteride
- - Finasteride
-

- *Combination Therapy*
- - Alpha blocker and 5-alpha-reductase inhibitor
- - Alpha blocker and anticholinergics
- *Anticholinergic Agents*

- **Minimally Invasive Therapies**

- - Transurethral needle ablation (TUNA)
- - Transurethral microwave thermotherapy (TUMT)
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- **Surgical Therapies**

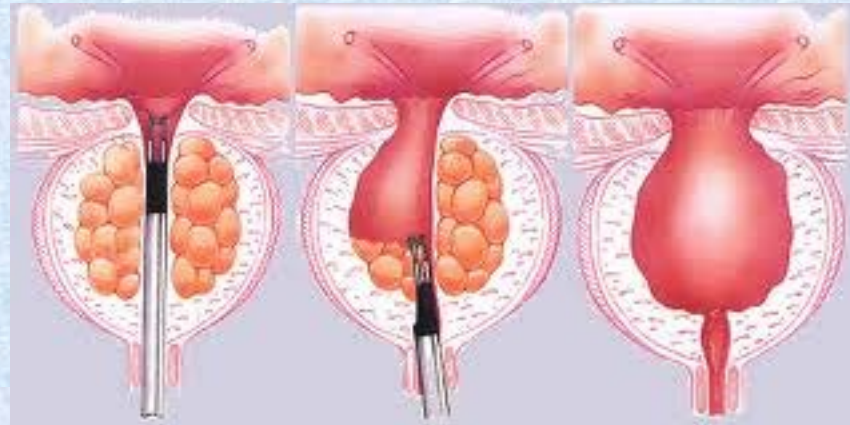
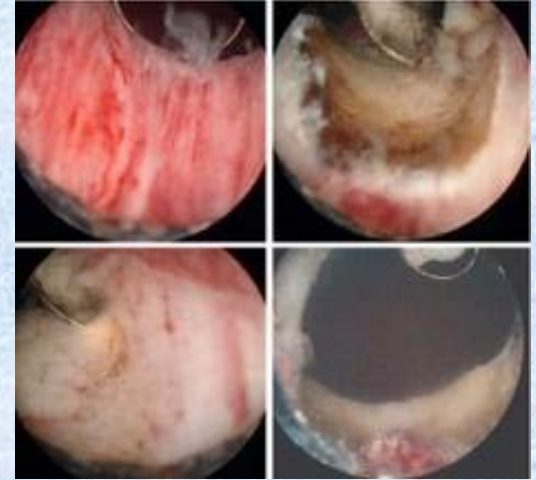
- - Open prostatectomy
- - Transurethral holmium laser ablation of the prostate (HoLAP)
- - Transurethral holmium laser enucleation of the prostate (HoLEP)
- - Holmium laser resection of the prostate (HoLRP)
- - Photoselective vaporization of the prostate (PVP)
- - Transurethral incision of the prostate (TUIP)
- - Transurethral vaporization of the prostate (TUVP)
- - Transurethral resection of the prostate (TURP)

TREATMENT OPTIONS

WATCHFUL WAITING

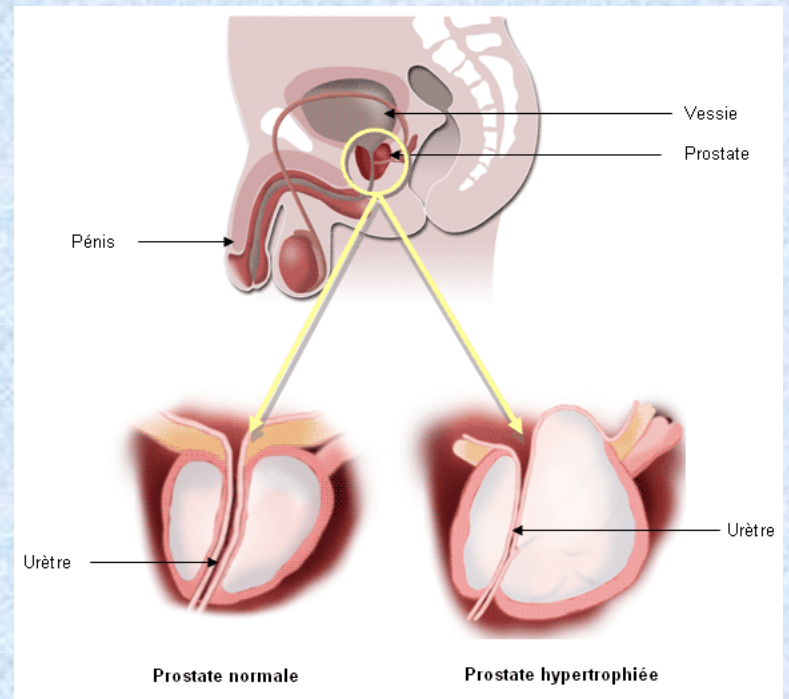
MEDICATIONS

SURGERY



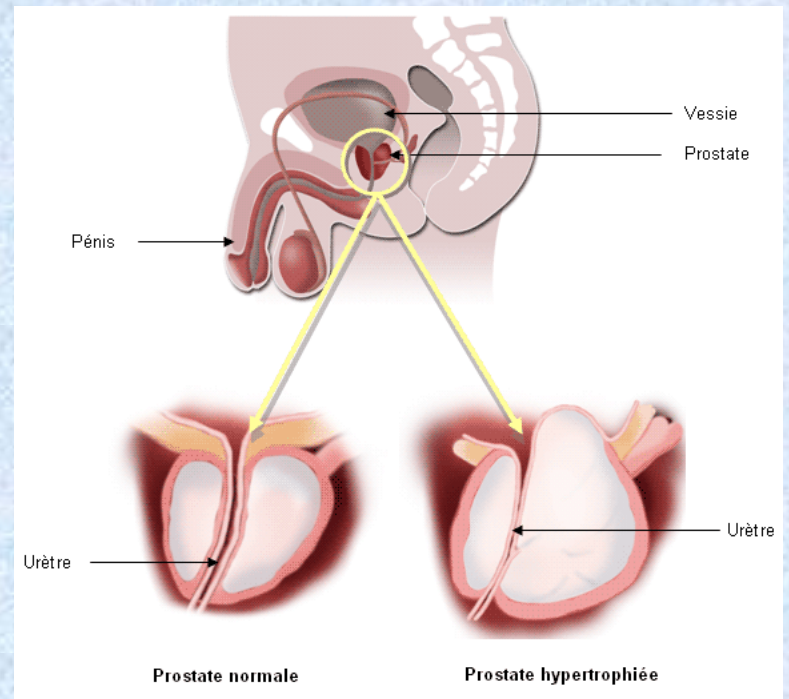
Urinary Retention

- Self catheterizations
- Foley catheterization
- Laser PVP vs TURP

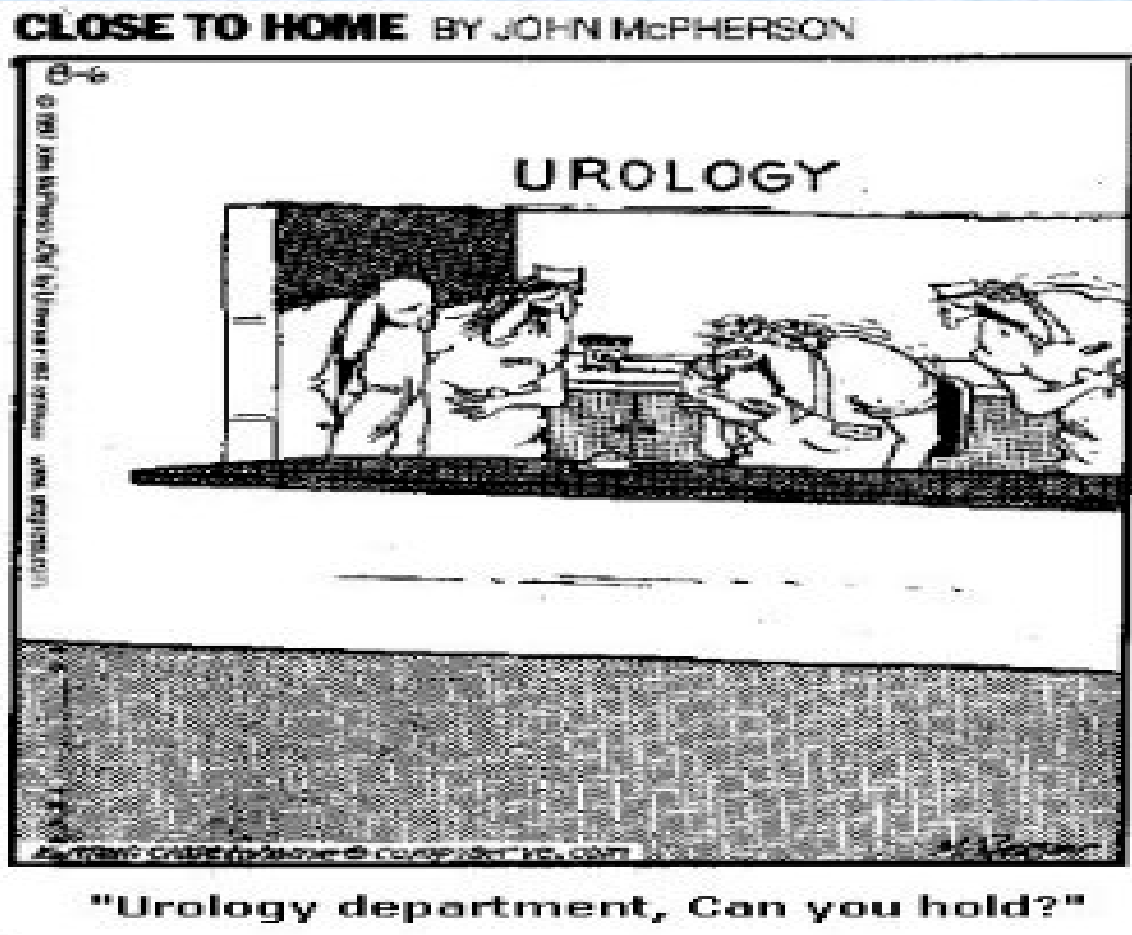


Urinary Retention

- Self catheterizations
- Foley catheterization
- Laser PVP vs TURP



Inability to get the catheter in



Inability to get catheter in Female

- Older females
- Retracted urethra vs stenotic meatus
- Stenotic: 2% lidocaine and firm catheter
- Retracted: slide finger across anterior vagina with foley on top
- Exposure important: use help

Inability to get catheter in Males

- Detailed history **IMPORTANT**
- Urology history (BPH, strictures, prostate surgery, bladder neck contractures, pelvic trauma, difficult catheterizations)

Inability to get catheter in Males

- GU team is not a catheter service!!!!
- Must make attempts
- Whom attempted catheterization
- How many attempts
- Gross blood
- How far catheter went in
- Irrigation

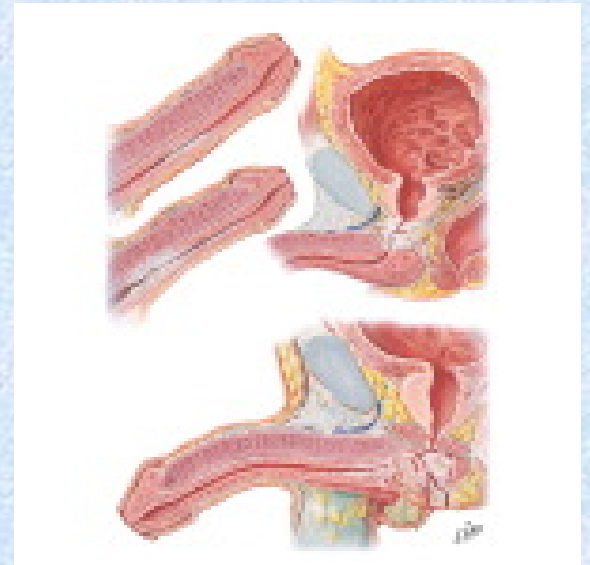
Problem#1: Can't see penis

- Scrotal edema/ obesity
- Key is exposure
- Lift penile, push down edema
- Palpate meatus
- Use finger as a guide
- Combination of exposure, patience, luck and skill



Problem#2: Can't get into meatus

- Meatal stenosis
- Lidocaine urojet
- Hemostat
- Small but firm catheter



Problem#3: goes in initially then stops

- Urethral stricture
- Use small catheter: 12-14Fr
- Lidocaine urojet
- Patients should always be supine



Problem#4: wont get past prostate

- False passage: usually from patient not lying flat, excessive force, not enough lubrication
- BPH
- Bladder Neck Contracture



Problem#4: wont get past prostate

- Supine
- 2% lidocaine urojet
- Coude catheter- 14Fr
- Effort and patience



Catheter: Random thoughts

Irrigate catheter if unsure: 120cc

Long catheter sign

Urinary sphincters

Self catheter removals





Prostatitis

- GU great mimicker
- Pyuria
- Midstream urethral discharge
- Boggy, tender prostate
- 4 week fluoroquinolone and NSAIDS

PROSTATITIS

- ACUTE OR CHRONIC
- DX
- SEPSIS
- TX
- OTHER CONFOUNDING CONDITIONS

Priapism

- Priapus: God of fertility
- Painful condition of penile erection that persists beyond or is unrelated to sexual stimulation
- Urologic emergency as untreated, it may lead to irreversible penile ischemia, necrosis, and scarring of intracavernosal erectile tissue

Priapism

- Ischemic vs non-ischemic
- High vs low flow
- Bimodal distribution
- Four hour duration



Priapism

Low flow

- Compartment syndrome
- Occlusion of venous outflow
- Cessation of arterial inflow
- Acidosis and increased penile pressure
- Failure of detumescence
- Pain, necrosis and fibrosis

Priapism

High Flow

- Unregulated increased arterial inflow
- Most commonly form ruptured cavernosal artery
- Secondary to perineal or direct penile trauma
- No acidosis or pain
- Upwards of 6 month delay
- Not a urological emergency

Priapism

Etiology

- 50% Idiopathic
- Intracavernosal injections
- Psychiatric medication (clozapine)
- Antidepressants (trazodone)
- Antihypertensives (hydralazine)
- Drugs (cocaine)
- Hematological (SS, leukemia)
- Neoplastic or neurologic: rare

Priapism

Evaluation

- Duration and quality of erection
- Pain
- Inciting factors
- Medication and drug use
- Sickle cell and hypercoagulable states
- Trauma

Priapism

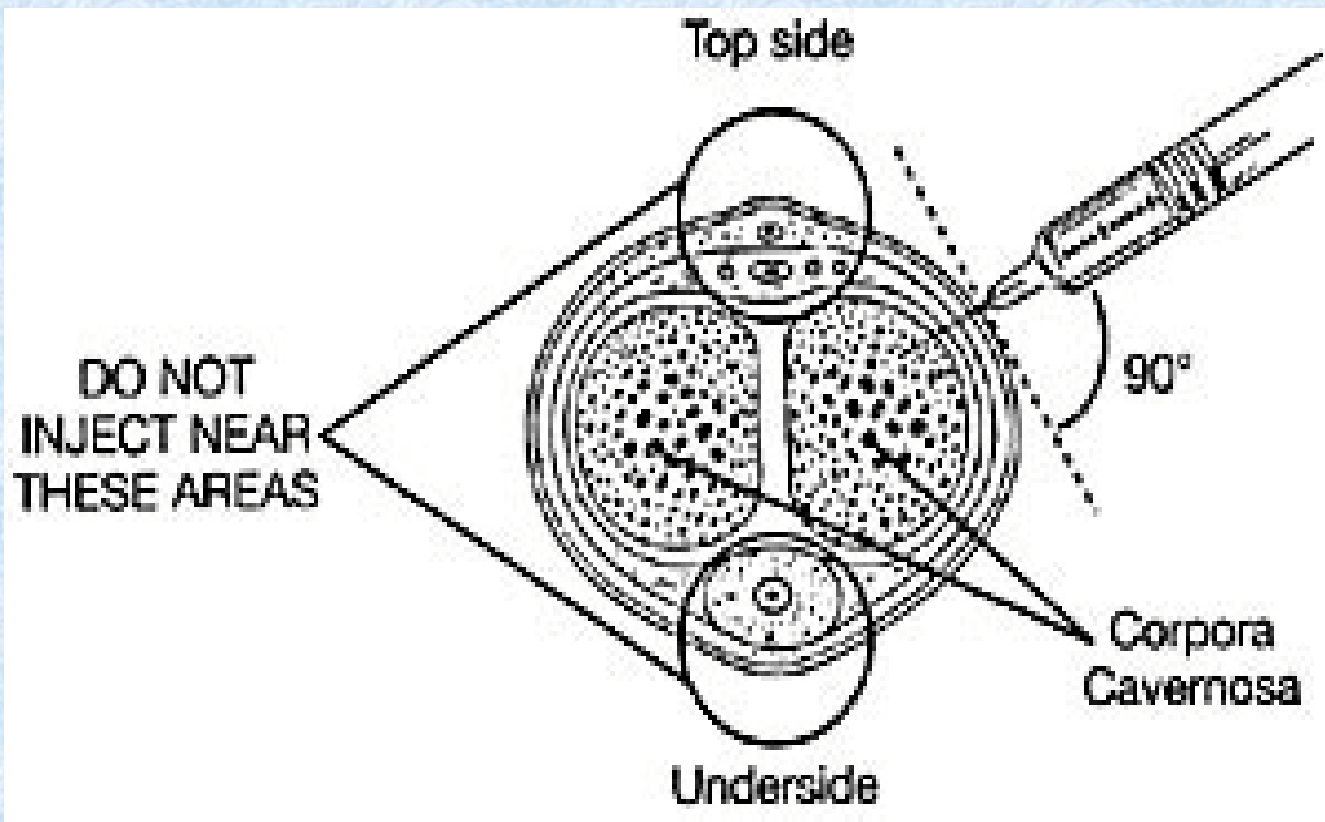
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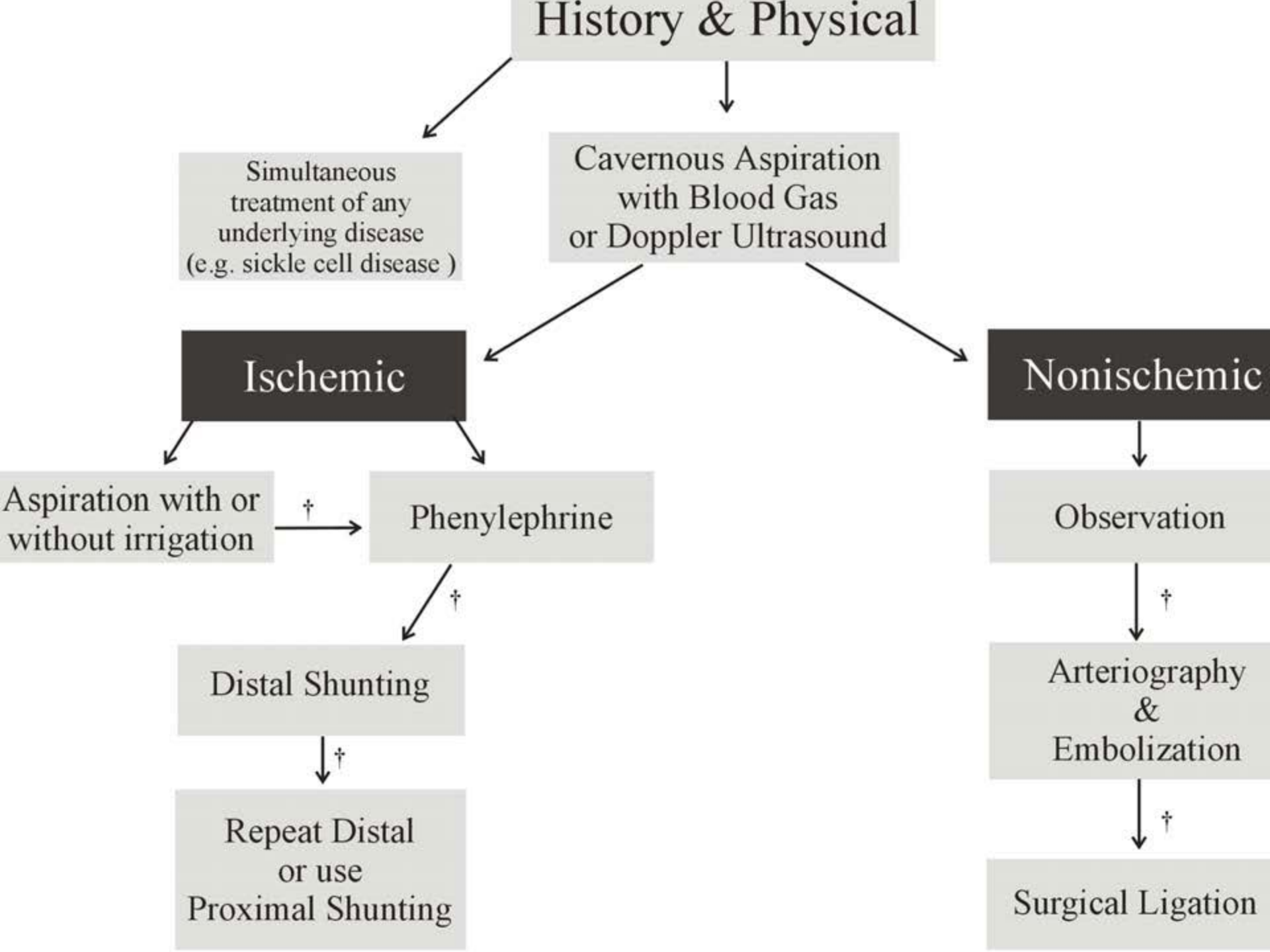
- Erectness
- Perineal bruising/lymphadenopathy
- Neurological evaluation
- Aspiration (ischemic, low pH & O₂, high CO₂)
- CBC, electrolytes, sickle cell prep
- Urine tox

Priapism

Management

- Aim at primary cause of priapism
- Relieve pain and prevent damage
- Step wise approach
- Non ischemic vs ischemic





Priapism

sickle cell anemia

- Recurrent (stuttering priapism)-20-35% incidence
- Alkalinization
- Analgesia
- Hydration
- Oxygenation
- Tranfusion
- Irrigation if needed

Priapism

summary

- Determine if ischemic or non-ischemic
- Treat underlying disorder concurrently
- If greater than 4 hours, call GU consultation

Phimosis

- Stenosis, adhesions of distal aspect of foreskin
- Difficulty/Inability for retraction over glans
- Balanitis
- Dermatitis
- Poor hygiene



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Phimosis

- Rarely urologic emergency
- Urinary retention
- Treatment:
- Good Hygiene
- Hemostatic dilation of stenotic foreskin
- Triamcinolone/topical steroids
- Circumcision

Paraphimosis

- Foreskin retracted proximal to glans and cannot be returned
- Impaired venous/lymphatic drainage
- Edema and worsening constriction
- Pain
- Urologic emergency

Paraphimosis

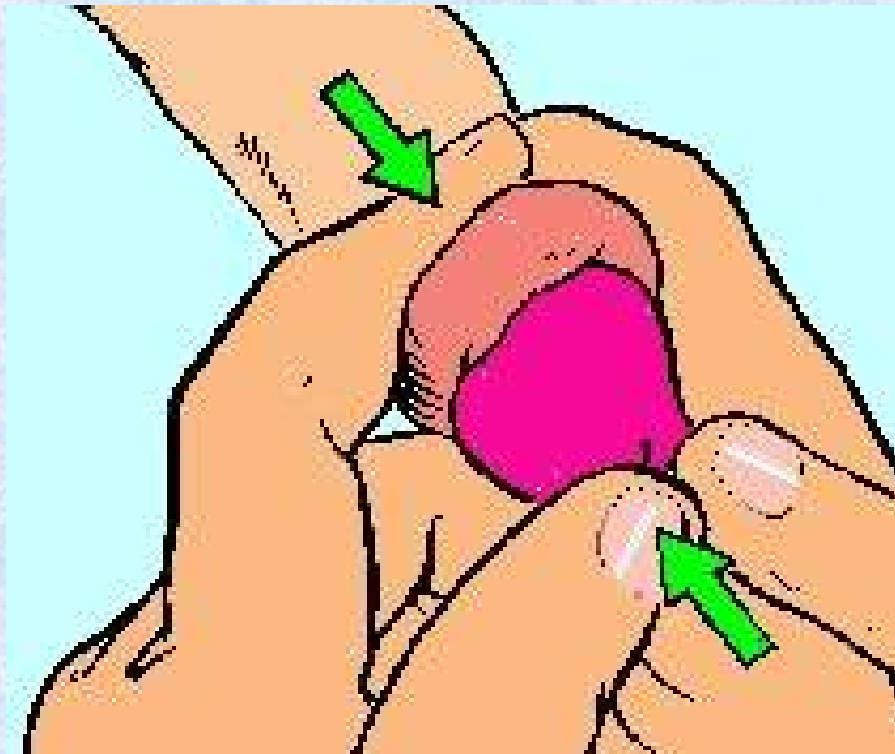
- Urgent reduction of foreskin
- Squeezing forekin technique
- +/- sedation
- Dorsal slit
- Elective circumcision

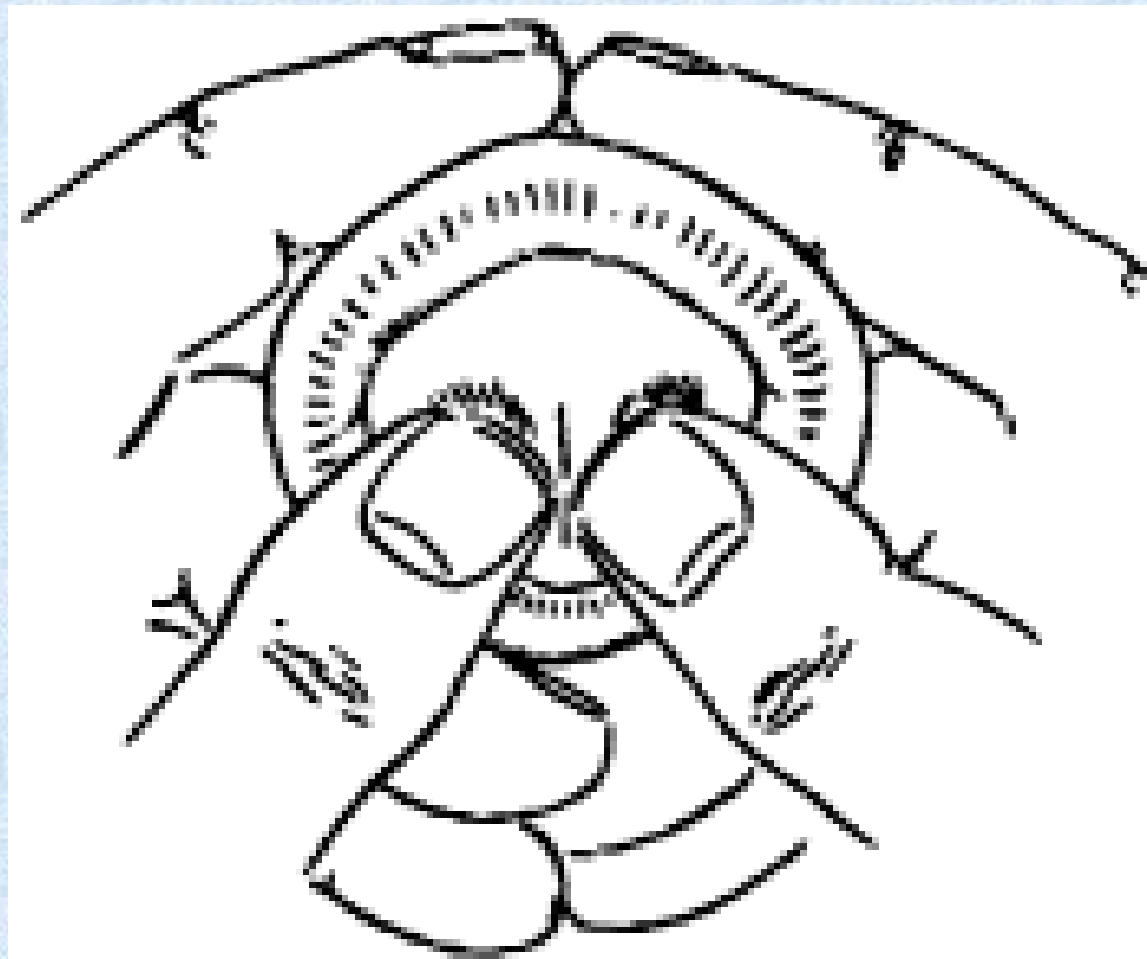


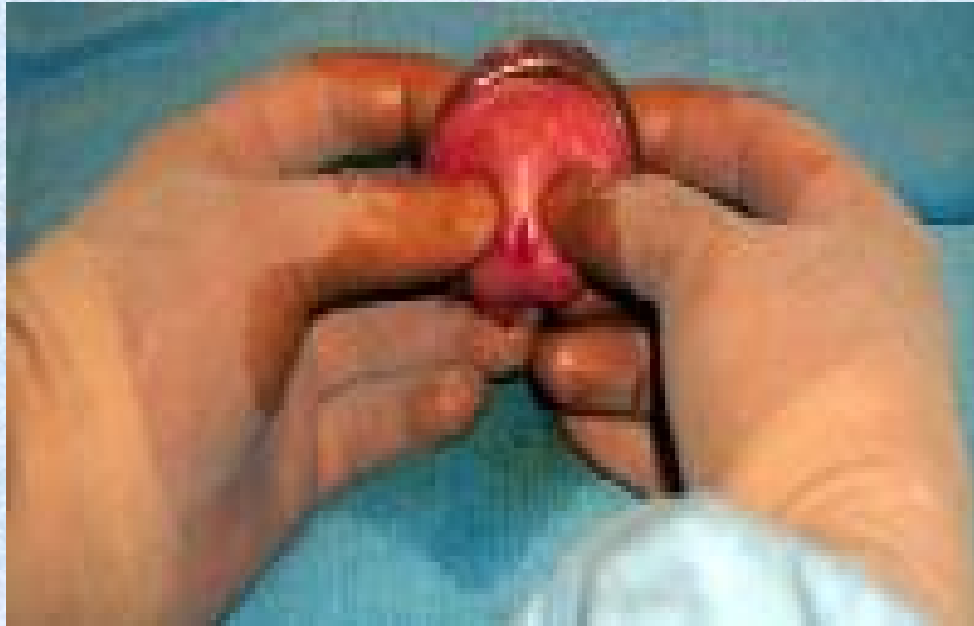


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Penile Fracture

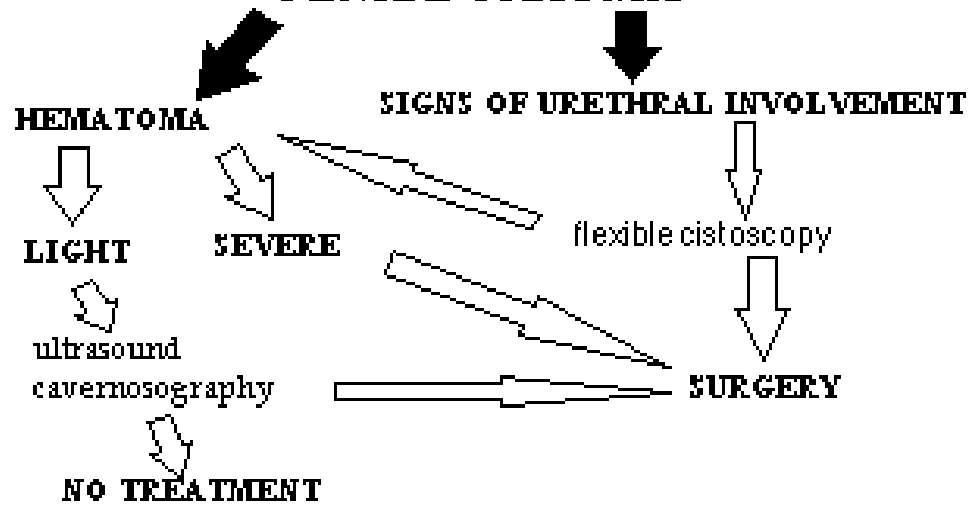
- Disruption of tunical albuginea
- Urological emergency
- Increase in impotence if not treated
- Vigorous intercourse
- Popping sound (tunica tear), pain, swelling, and rapid detumescence

Penile Fracture

- Swollen, ecchymotic penis
- Clot and tear sometimes palpable
- Urethral injury 1/3 of cases
- Surgical exploration



PENILE TRAUMA



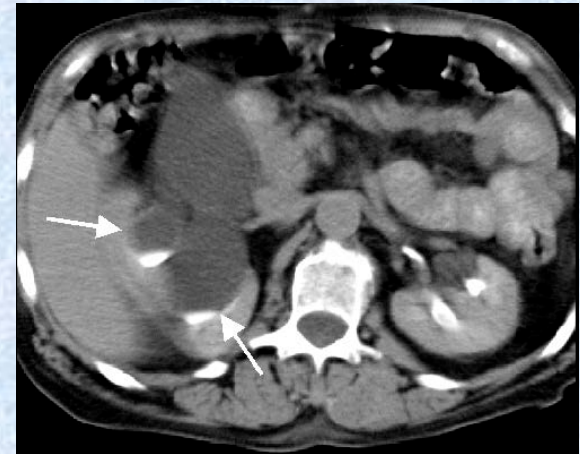
PEYRONIES

- ETIOLOGY
- COURSE
- TX
- XIAFLEX



Ureteral Obstruction

- Calculi
- Radiation
- TB, Fungus Balls
- Stricture
- Prior Surgery (Gyn, Urological, Colo-rectal)
- Renal Status (Solitary Unit physical vs functional)
- Cancer (Bladder, Ureteral, Other...)



Ureteral Obstruction

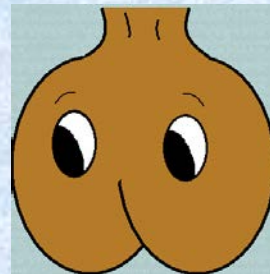
- Evaluation
 - Pain level
 - Renal Function
 - UA
 - Reliability
 - UO
 - General Health Status
 - Antibiotic Status
 - Temp...Temp...Temp...Sepsis
 - Percutaneous Nephrostomy, stenting if unsuccessful





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STONE DISEASE



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