

Haematological Diseases :

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Only about anaemias

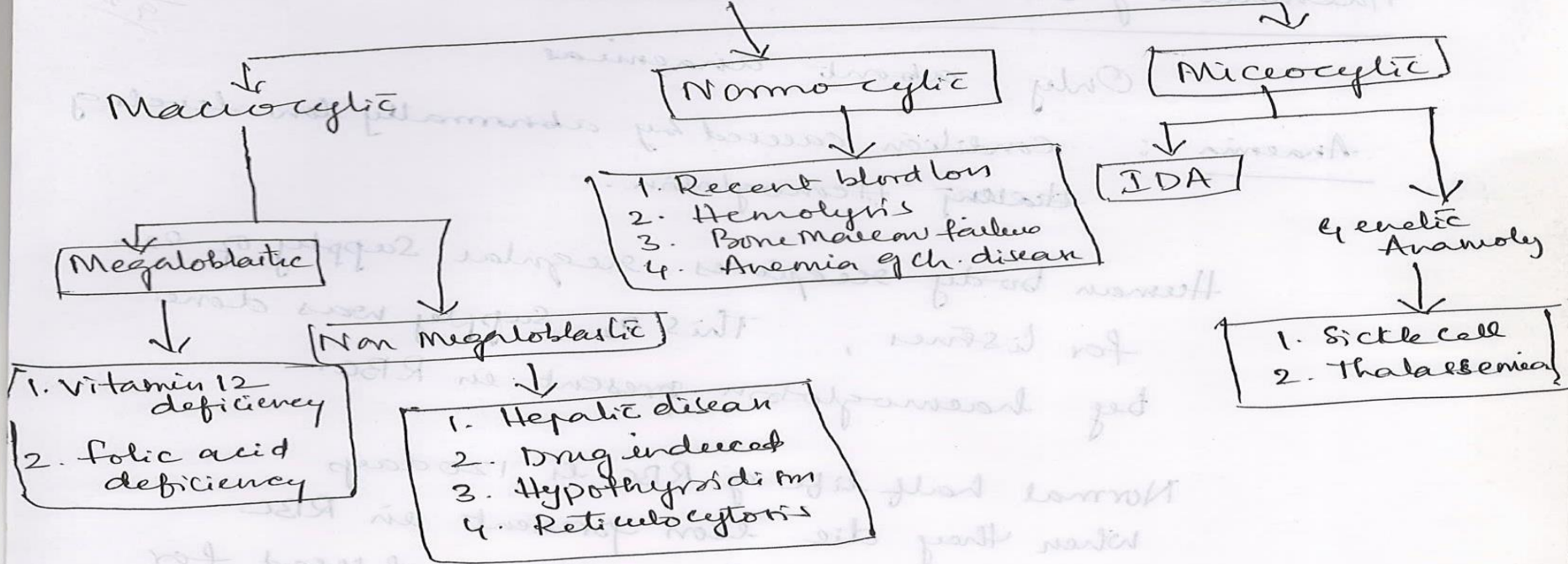
Anaemia : Condition caused by abnormally low levels of ~~Healthy~~ Hemoglobin.

Human body requires regular supply of O_2 for tissues, this O_2 supply was done by haemoglobin present in RBC.

Normal half life of RBC is 120 days when they die iron present in RBC returns to the bone marrow & used for new RBC production.

Anemia develops when heavy bleeding causes significant loss of RBC or when its production slows down or they are destroyed at fast rates.

Anemia



Iron Deficiency Anaemia

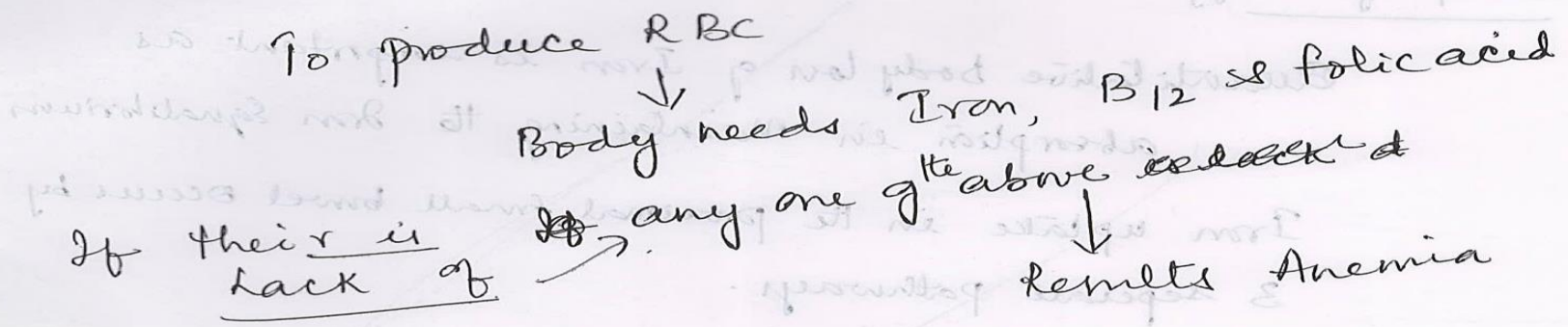
RBC

Def: ↓ sed O₂ carrying capacity of RBC.

Results from reduced production of RBC
or
↑ sed loss of RBC

RBC are manufactured in bone marrow and

(3) its life expectancy is _____ Months i.e 120 days.



Etiology :

- In children it may be due to low iron diet
Worm infestations
- In Adults : Fast blood loss where body can't ^{reabsorb} _{it}
- Vegetarians lack ^{of} iron in their diet
as red meat is ^{main} dietary source of iron
- ↓ red absorption of iron from intestines due to
Small intestine disease
Ulcers in stomach & duodenum
- ↑ red iron need occurs during pregnancy
&
during rapid child growth.

Symptoms :

Symptoms appear when Hb drops < 10 g/l

- First symp :
1. Tiredness
 2. Palpitations

3. Shortness of breath
4. Dizziness

If Anemia is severe

1. Angina (chest pain)
2. Headache
3. Leg pains

Other symptoms due to long term iron deficiency includes

1. Burning sensation in the tongue
2. Dryness in Mouth, throat, sores at the corners of mouth
3. Altered sense of touch

In Extreme cases

Nails become brittle & spoon shaped

- brittle hair
- Difficulty in swallowing
- Shortness of breath
- Palpitation
- Angina

Diagnosis :

Blood test

Diagnosed Microcytic Hypochromic anemia

Treatment :

Iron Supplement

Iron tablets
Infectables

To avoid Pregnant → Iron Supplement

Iron rich diet includes
- Red meat
- Liver
- Date palm
- Green veges
- dried fruits

Megaloblastic Anemia

Agent: vit B₁₂ & folic acid

[Food]

↓ vit B₁₂ & folic acid oral intake

[INGIT]

→ Gastric conditions

Destruction of gastric mucosa which contains Parietal cells secretes Intrinsic factors

Partial or total gastrectomy affecting Distal Duodenum & proximal Small Intestine

↓ red or Absence of Intrinsic factor

Faulty gastrointestinal absorption

↓ vit B₁₂ (↓ 200 pg/ml & ↓ folic acid (↓ 1.8 ng/ml)

[Leads to Macrocytosis]

↓ red production of matured RBC

Def: Type of anemia where NO of RBC less than normal.

↓
So when there is NO enough RBC

↓
Tissues & organs don't get enough O₂

- RBC are characterized by larger cells than normal
Known as Macrocytic anemia / Megaloblastic anemia

~~Permeable~~ / B12 or folate deficiency anemia

B12 is seen in some foods like meat, fish, eggs and milk

- Some people can't absorb B12 from their food leading to Megaloblastic

Symptoms

Fatigue

Vary from person to person

Common symp:

Shortness of breath

Muscle weakness

Pale skin

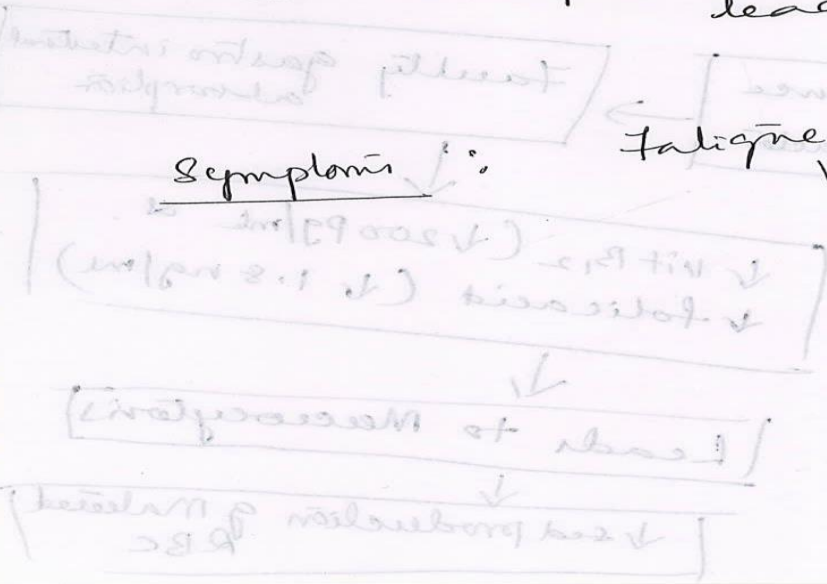
Glomitis

Loss of appetite

Nausea

Diarrhea

Tingling in hands & feet.



Pernicious anemia : Type of autoimmune anemia

Intrinsic factor is necessary for absorption of B12
When it is not available B12 can't be absorbed from gastric

Mucosa

Physiology of B12 absorption :

Gastric mucosal parietal cells
↓ secrete

Intrinsic factor

↓
B12 gets attached to this

↓
forms complex enters
intestines

In fact B12 can only be absorbed when attached to
? ?

(Absorption)
Enters blood stream
& Released

Etiology :

→ when atrophy of parietal cells / surgical removal
Autoimmune disorders like affecting the parietal cells & adenals

Poisoning with corrosive substances → destroys the lining of stomach

Intestinal worms like tape worm absorb B12

Intestinal disorders (first part) like tropical sprue
Whipple's, Crohn's, tuberculosis &

Zollinger - Ellison syndrome

Symptoms

Affect 3 systems

1. Haemopoietic system
2. Gastrointestinal "
3. Nervous "

Haemopoietic

Abnormal production of RBC

Their reduced O₂ carrying capacity

↓ causes

Fatigue, Dizziness, Ringing in ears

Pale skin,

Fast Heart rate, Enlarged heart

Abnormal Heart sounds
(Murmurs)

Gastrointestinal

Sore & brightly red tongue

Loss of appetite

Not loss

Diarrhoea

Abd cramps

Nervous system

Numbness

Tingling

Burning in arms & legs, hands & feet

Muscle weakness

Imbalance while walking

Irritability

Confusion & depression

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Pathophysiology of Pernicious Anemia

Due to failure of gastric parietal cells to produce ?

↓
which affects its dietary absorption of ?

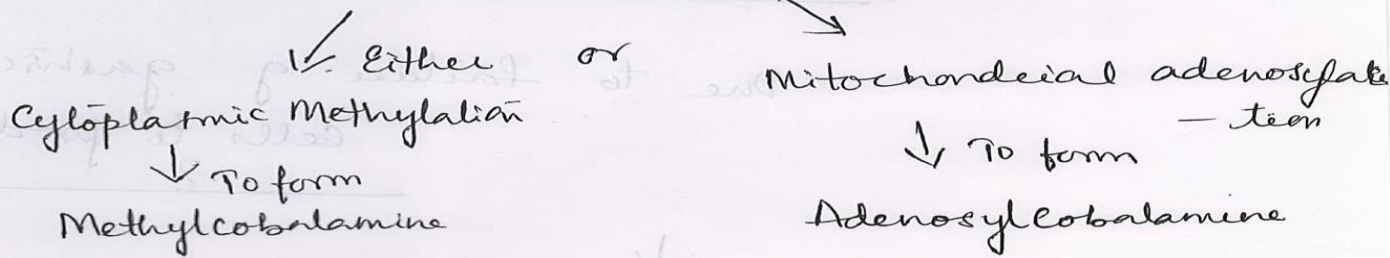
Deficiency of B₁₂ also leads to cobalamin deficiency

Cobalamin (B₁₂) binds to IF
Recognition of IF-Cbl complex by ileal receptors must occur to transport into circulation

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Has to bound by transcobalamin II
Serves as plasma transportee
Cbl-TC complex binds to cell surfaces and is endocytosed

Transcobalamin is degraded within lysosome
↓
Cbl is released into cytoplasm

Here an Enzyme mediated reduction of cobalt occurs



Defect in these steps produces
"Cbl dysfunction"

These defects will cause Impaired development
Mental Retardation
Macrocytic anemia

Diagnosis

Abnormally large RBC & abnormal shape
Immature forms of RBC "Reticulocytes"
Low in number.

B₁₂ quantity low in circulating blood.

Schilling test : For Diagnosis

Pat is given Radio active B₁₂ under 2
different sets of conditions
Once alone and once attached to Intrinsic factor

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Normally, large amounts of B₁₂ are absorbed

↓
Circulate through the blood

↓
Enter kidneys

↓
Some amount of B₁₂ passed out in urine.

In Pat. \bar{E} pernicious anemia,

B₁₂ will not be absorbed by Intestine or

↓ Hence

will not pass into urine

↓
Levels of B₁₂ in urine will low.

When given along \bar{I} F

Intestines are able to absorb the vit, urine
levels of B₁₂ will be higher.

Treatment : High dose B₁₂ Inj Administration

↓
Enter directly into blood stream

No need for \bar{I} F to get absorbed through Intestine

First Needed ^{only once} few weeks and later
monthly

Pathophysiology of Anemia

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Predisposing factors

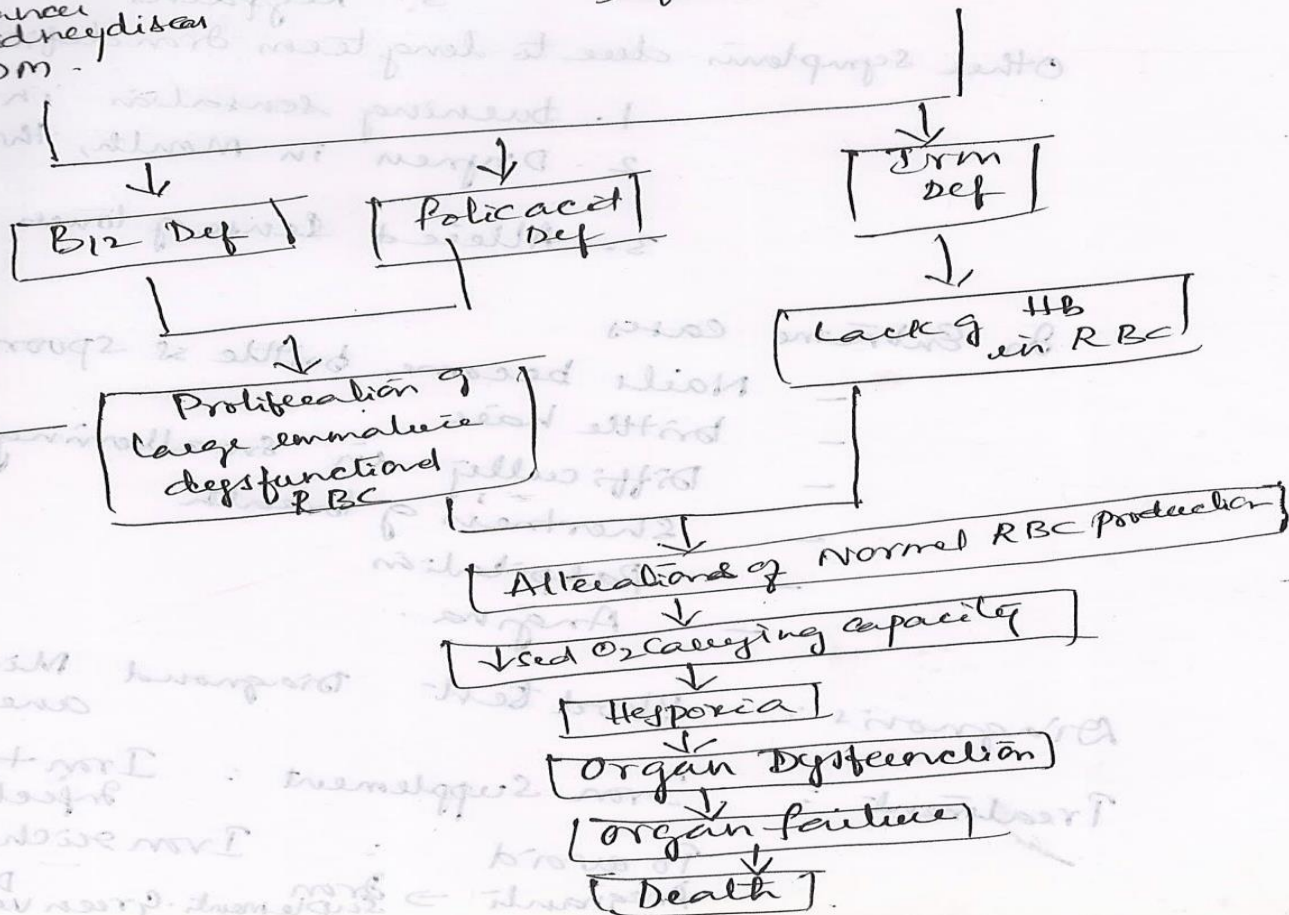
Age factors: 13-30 yrs.

Condition:

- Gender = female
- Condition:
 - Pregnancy
 - Excessive Menstruation
 - Alcoholic
 - Diabetes like
 - Cancer
 - Kidney disease
 - DM

Precipitating factors

- ↓ dietary intake Iron & B₁₂ folic acid
- ↓ red Erythropoietin
- Malabsorption:
 - Lack of Intrinsic factor
 - Gastroenterology
 - Inflammatory bowel syndrome



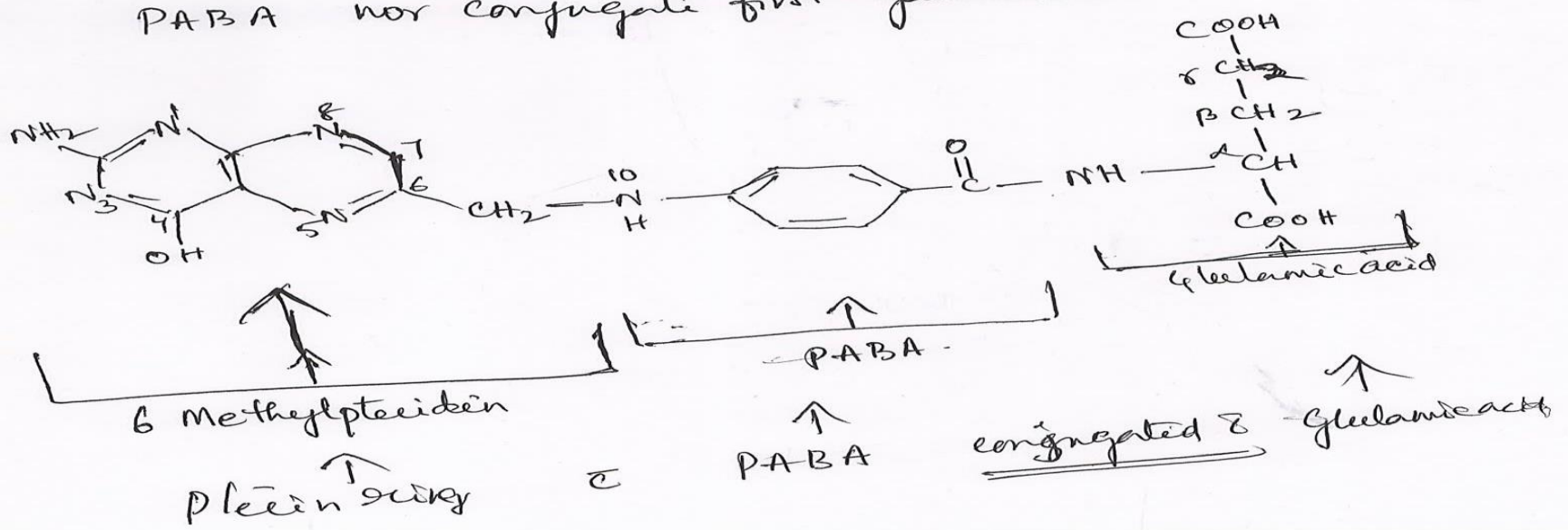
Manifestation

1. Paresthesia of hands & feet
2. Impaired coordination and position sense
3. Diarrhea

- age
- alcoholism
- Birth control pills
- anti-convulsant therapy
- Sulfonamides
- Smoking
- Stress

Pathophysiology : Folic acid structure
 Composed of pterin ring connected to PABA
 and conjugated to one or more glutamate residues.

Humans do not synthesize folate bcoz they cannot synthesize PABA nor conjugate first glutamate



(LP) (9-a)
Folates present in the form of polyglutamates in cells.

In plasma & urine they are as monoglutamates as they are transported across membranes in this form.

Enzymes in intestines — (Proximal Jejunum where absorbed)

↓
Convert poly to mono

In plasma folate is present as 5-methyltetrahydrofolate form

and loosely attached to albumin in circulation.

5-methyl THFA enters the cell

Via ATP dependent H^+ co-transported

Once it is in, 5-methyl THFA

may be demethylated to THFA

which is active form

Participates in folate dependent enzymatic reactions

(9-b)

Cobalamin (B₁₂) is required for this conversion

if it is absent folate remains as 5 Methyl THFA in the cell.

And folate doesn't undergo its metabolic pathways resulting in Megaloblastic Anemia

THFA plays a key role in transfer of 1-carbon units

Such as Methyl, Methylene & formyl groups of the essential substrates involved in synthesis of RNA & DNA & proteins.

It is involved in enzymatic reactions necessary for synthesis of Purine, thymidine & amino acid

Healthy individual has 500 - 20,000 mcg of folate in the body stores.

50 to 100 mcg of folate/day necessary in order to replace daily degradation & loss through urine & bile.

Otherwise signs & symptoms of deficiency can manifest after 4 months.

Diagnosis : Blood tests to investigate Hb. Results compared after folic acid supplementation

Treatment : Administer folic acid
Self care like avoiding alcohol
Non herbal tea
Antacids
Phosphates

Pathophysiology :
Folate acid structure
Composition of pterins and pteridines
Compared to other more complex molecules
Humans do not synthesize folate but they cannot utilize it
PABA was converted first of folic acid

