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Renal Ultrastructural Pathology Lecture 3 My - S



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Renal ultrastructural pathology Lecture 3 - Topics

- 1. Myeloma kidney
- 2. Post infectious Glomerulonephritis
- 3. Systemic Lupus Erythrematosus (SLE)



Myeloma

- Amyloid already looked at usually lambda light chain
- Cryoglobulinaemic GN already looked at usually IgM kappa
- Classical cast nephropathy usually kappa light chain
- Crystalline cast nephropathy usually kappa light chain
- Monoclonal Immunoglobulin Deposition Disease MIDD usually kappa light chain
- Can get combinations of these in same biopsy



Immunofluorescence may be negative if antibody doesn't attach to abnormal myeloma protein

In early stages of cast nephropathy, may overlook single tubule with cast and macrophages

All cases of tubulointerstial nephritis (TIN) should be examined carefully for evidence of cast nephropathy

In cases of TIN should check semithin toluidine blue section for evidence of dense staining of basement membranes – indicating MIDD.

Classical Cast Nephropathy

Cast nephropathy



Myeloma protein cast in tubular lumen

Normal glomerulus

Interstitial inflammation

Cast nephropathy



Myeloma protein

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Distal convoluted tubule epithelial cells



Multinucleated giant cell phagocytosing cast protein

Myeloma protein

Multinucleate macrophage giant cell

Cast nephropathy



Myeloma protein in lumen of tubule

Myeloma protein



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Multinucleate macrophage giant cell





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Intralysosomal myeloma protein

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Laminated cast

Laminated cast



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Sirius red positive cast protein

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Edge of cast Sirius Red positive

Crystalline cast nephropathy

H&E crystalline cast nephropathy



H&E - tubulointerstitial nephritis

Casts negative by immunofluorescence Casts not noticed on histology but noticed on resin tol blue

Semi-thin section toluidine blue stained



Crystalline cast

Crystaline cast nephropathy



BJ protein crystals

Mononuclear cell infiltrate in interstitium



Crystalline myeloma protein within proximal tubular epithelial cell lysosomes

Crystalline myeloma

(another case)

this one from Birmingham QE Hospital

Myeloma protein in lysosomes

Podocyte



Mesangial cell



Podocyte lysosomes increased in number and filled with myeloma protein

Podocyte lysosomes filled with BJ protein

Crystalline myeloma in podocyte lysosomes

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Distal convoluted tubular epithelial cells

Lysosomes all filled with crysatilline myeloma protein

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Distal convoluted tubule cells

Myeloma protein in tubular lumen

Myeloma protein crystals

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Lymphocyte intralysosomal crystals

Monoclonal Immunglobulin Deposition Disease MIDD

Monoclonal immunoglobulin deposition disease MIDD

Nodular glomerulosclerosis

Light chain deposition along GBM and in mesangial matrix

All GBM's appear more electron dense than usual. Different case to previous slide

Electron dense granular myeloma protein on GBM

and in mesangium

Finely granular electron dense myeloma protein on Bowman's capsule

Myeloma protein cast

Monoclonal protein on tubular basement membrane

Light chain in mesangium

Post infectious GN

Acute

Acute proliferative glomerulonephritis with numerous neutrophils

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Numerous neutrophils

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Numerous subendothelial neutrophils

Numerous small mesangial and subendothelial deposits

Neutrophil non-equatorially sectioned

Numerous small subendothelial deposits - by immunofluorescence C3

Post-infectious glomerulonephritis subacute

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- Immunofuorescence: C3 mainly (can be confused for acute MCGN type 1)
- Histology: Numerous neutrophils in glomerulus (can be confused for acute MCGN type 1)
- EM: Occasional subepithelial humps

Acute proliferative glomerulonephritis

Acute proliferative glomerulonephritis

Numerous neutrophils

Subepithelial hump

Intracapillary lumenal neutrophils

Subepithelial hump

Neutrophil in mesangium

Chronic osteomyelitis case

IF: significant IgG, C3, IgA - trace IgM, C1q Can be IgA rich if Staph infection

Subepithelial deposits

Large mesangial deposits

Large subendothelial deposits

Large mesangial deposits

Large subendothelial deposits

Monocyte in capillary loop

Systemic Lupus Erythrematosus

SLE classification

- Class 1: Minimal
- Class 2: Mesangial proliferative
- Class 3: Focal
- Class 4: Diffuse
- Class 5: Membranous
- Class 6: Advanced sclerosing

SLE

Immunofuorescence: Always IgG, usually in addition either IgA or IgM, often full house. Both kappa and lambda present. C3 more frequent than C1q.

Deposits can be found in glomeruli, tubular basement membrane and in vessel wall.

Class 1 – normal histologically

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In this case, no deposits but tubuloreticular complexes present

Hypercellular glomerulus – accentuation of lobular architecture

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Very large subendothelial deposits

Class 4 Lupus nephritis

Subendothelial deposits

Subepithelial deposits

Large endothelial tubuloreticular complex

Different case – with structured deposits

Mesangial deposits

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Mesangial deposits

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Fingerprint pattern - structured deposit

Full house EM

Mesangial deposits Subepithelial deposits

Mesangial cell interpositioning

Time for a quick break?

'The mind cannot absorb what the backside cannot endure'

Prince Philip ,The Duke of Edinburgh.