

# CANCER OF THE HEAD AND NECK

HEAD AND NECK CANCERS (HNC) - cancers of the upper aerodigestive tract

## SUBSITES

- Lips
- Oral cavity
- Oropharynx
- Sinonasal cavities (PNS + NP)
- Larynx
- Hypopharynx
- Salivary glands

EPIDEMIOLOGY - Men > Women (<sup>M</sup> 70% - <sup>F</sup> 30%)

- Dx > 40y, except salivary & Nasopharyngeal Ca → younger age

## Etiology

1) TOBACCO - Smoked - Cigarettes, Bidis, Cigars, Pipes, Cheroos, Second-hand exposure  
Non-smokers - Chewing, moist snuff, dry snuff, Betel quid, Gutkha, Zarda  
Cigarette smokers - 5-25 fold ↑ risk

[Relative risk ↑ in duration, becomes equal to non smokers only after ~20y cessation]

2) Alcohol - independent risk factor for oral, pharyngeal & laryngeal Ca  
≥ 3.5 drinks / day → ↑ risk 2-3 fold

TOBACCO & ALCOHOL have synergistic effects (multiplicative rather than additive)  
+ POOR DIET ↑ Risk

FIELD CANCERIZATION - Slaughter - explains development of multiple primary tumors and recurrent local tumors - genetically altered epithelium in the vicinity of the tumor - ↑ risk of developing a 2<sup>nd</sup> tumor

## ✓ SECOND PRIMARY TUMOR

Tumor which develops ≥ 2cm away from the index tumor after ≥ 3y from the first malignancy (WAREEN/GATES criteria)

- i.e., 2 tumors must be distinct
  - Possibility of 2<sup>nd</sup> tumor being metastasis of the 1<sup>st</sup> must be excluded
  - genetic markers different
- 2<sup>nd</sup> primary may develop in H&N or elsewhere (e.g. Esophagus/Lung)

## ✓ SECOND FIELD TUMOR

Second tumor derived from the same genetically altered mucosal field as the primary tumor

- genetic markers similar

3) HPV infection (HPV-18) - Oropharyngeal cancer

4) EBV infection - Nasopharyngeal cancer

5) Occupational exposures - asbestos, pesticides, wood, leather, cement, formaldehyde, HC

6) Immunosuppression - HIV / organ transplant

7) Lifraumemi So, Fancem's anemia, Plummer Vinson So

**MOLECULAR BIOLOGY** - p53 mutations  
CDKN2A mutation  
EGFR amplification  
Microsatellite instability

HPV - E6, E7 proteins  
↓  
p16 (Tumor suppressor gene)  
Overexpression of p16 is a surrogate marker for HPV infection

## HISTOLOGY

- Most head & neck neoplasms arise from the surface epithelium  
SCC or its variants

Dysplasia - SCC + lymphoid stroma: Nasopharynx, BOT, Tonsillar fossa

Spindle cell carcinoma - resembles sarcoma + SCC

Verrucous carcinoma - low grade SCC - gingiva, buccal mucosa

Undifferentiated carcinoma

- Adenocarcinomas - Salivary gland tumors
- Lymphomas - NHL

## SPREAD

Bone, mucoperiosteum, cartilage - barriers to invasion - involvement is late  
Tumor extension into parapharyngeal space - allows superior & inferior spread from SKULL BASE TO HYOID BONE

Pineal invasion - SCC, Adenoid cystic Carcinoma

## LYMPHATIC SPREAD

- There are no capillary lymphatics in the epithelium
- Tumor must penetrate lamina propria before lymphatic invasion can occur

Nasopharynx & Pyriform sinus - most profuse capillary lymphatics

Lip, oral cavity → I, II → other levels

Laryngeal & Pharyngeal tumors - II - III → other levels

Distant spread - Lung m/c

## STAGING AJCC-8 for Head & Neck Cancer (Excluding Nasopharynx & p16 $\ominus$ Oropharyngeal cancer)

### T

T<sub>x</sub> - cannot be assessed

T<sub>is</sub> - in situ

T<sub>1</sub> - size  $\leq 2\text{cm}$

T<sub>2</sub> - 2-4 cm

T<sub>3</sub> >4 cm

T<sub>4</sub>   
 T<sub>4a</sub> - invades adjacent structures  
 T<sub>4b</sub>   
 - invades masticator space / pterygoid plates, skull base / encases ICA

### N

N<sub>x</sub> - cannot be assessed

N<sub>0</sub> - no regional LN mets

N<sub>1</sub> - single, ipsilateral node  $\leq 3\text{cm}$

N<sub>2a</sub> - single, ipsilateral node 3-6 cm

N<sub>2b</sub> - multiple ipsilateral  $<6\text{cm}$

N<sub>2c</sub> - Bilateral / contralateral  $<6\text{cm}$

N<sub>3</sub>   
 N<sub>3a</sub> - Any node/s  $>6\text{cm}$

N<sub>3b</sub> - Extranodal extension (⊕)

### M

M<sub>0</sub> - No distant metastasis

M<sub>1</sub> - Distant metastasis

### G

G<sub>x</sub> - can't be assessed

G<sub>1</sub> - WD

G<sub>2</sub> - MD

G<sub>3</sub> - PD

STAGE GROUPING : 0 - T<sub>is</sub> N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

I - T<sub>1</sub> N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

II - T<sub>2</sub> N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

III - T<sub>3</sub> N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

T<sub>1,2,3</sub> N<sub>1</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

IV A   
 T<sub>4a</sub> N<sub>0,1</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

T<sub>1,2,3,4a</sub> N<sub>2</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

IV B   
 Any T N<sub>3</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

T<sub>4b</sub> Any N M<sub>0</sub>

IV C - Any T Any N M<sub>1</sub>

## For HPV mediated (p16 $+$ ) Oropharyngeal cancer

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T<sub>1</sub> - size  $\leq 2\text{cm}$

T<sub>2</sub> - 2-4 cm

T<sub>3</sub> - >4 cm

T<sub>4</sub> - moderately advanced local disease

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N<sub>3</sub> - Lymphnode(s)  $>6\text{cm}$

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No grading system

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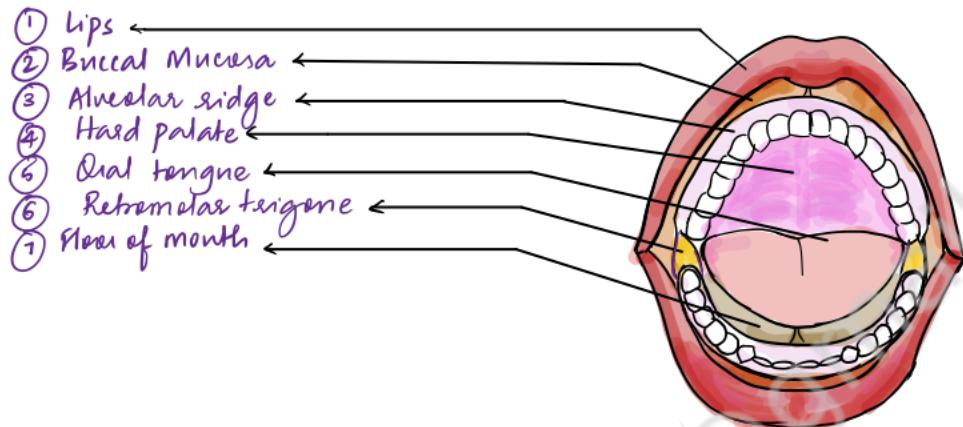
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# ORAL MALIGNANCIES

**ORAL CAVITY:** Region extending from the vermillion border of the lips to the circumvallate papillae of the tongue and the junction between the hard palate and soft palate

## ORAL CAVITY SUB-SITES



## AJCC 8 STAGING OF ORAL CAVITY CANCER

### T

T<sub>x</sub> - cannot be assessed

T<sub>is</sub> - in situ

T<sub>1</sub> Size  $\leq$  2cm  
DOI  $\leq$  5mm  
(Depth of Invasion)

T<sub>2</sub>  $\leq$  2cm  $\in$  DOI  $>$  5mm  
 $2-4$  cm  $\in$  DOI  $\leq$  10mm

T<sub>3</sub>  $2-4$  cm  $\in$  DOI  $>$  10mm  
 $>4$  cm  $\in$  DOI  $<$  10mm

T<sub>4</sub> >4cm  $\in$  DOI  $>$  10mm  
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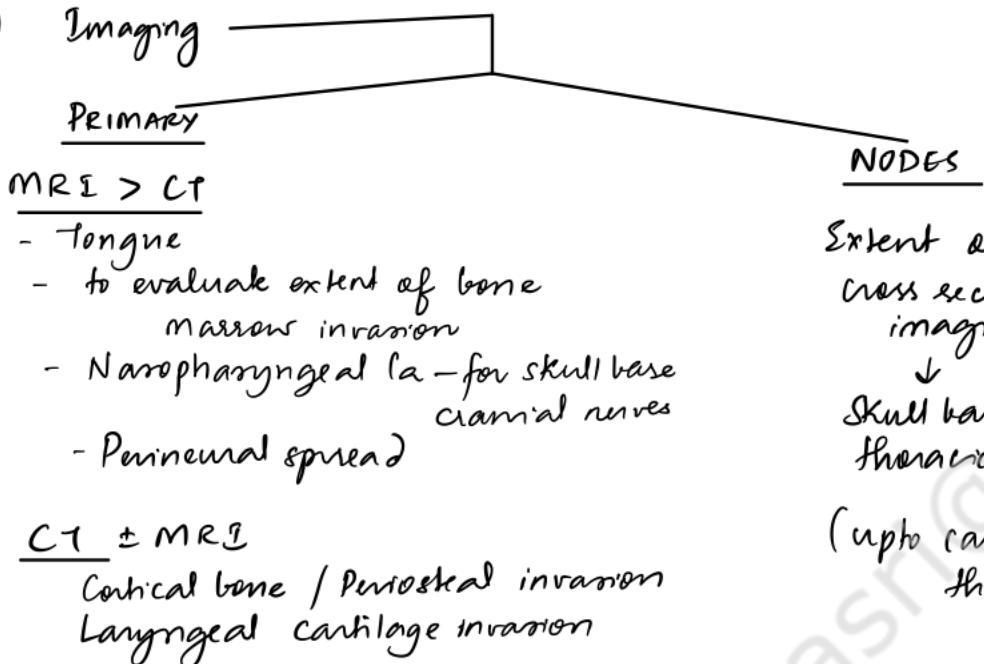
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## APPROACH TO ORAL MALIGNANCIES

- 1) History & Physical examination - Tobacco exposure
- 2) Biopsy
- 3) Imaging



OPG - for oral cavity cancers requiring mandibulotomy, mandibulectomy & in RT candidates

Distant mets - FDG/PET / CT thorax

## PRECANCEROUS PATHOLOGIES OF ORAL CAVITY

Ref: WHO handbook  
Pathology & Genetics of  
H&N tumors-2005

### PREMALIGNANT LESIONS (1978) (EPITHELIAL PRECURSOR LESIONS - 2005)

- Morphologically altered tissue in which oral cancer is more likely to occur, than its apparently normal counterpart

### Histological characters of Epithelial precursor lesions (WHO-2005)

Squamous cell hyperplasia  
Dysplasia - Mild/ Moderate/ Severe  
Carcinoma in situ

### MORPHOLOGICAL TYPES - DESCRIPTIVE TERMS (no histological correlation)

- ① **LEUKOPLAKIA** - white patch/plaque that cannot be rubbed off / cannot be characterised clinically or pathologically as any other disease

#### TYPES

##### HOMOGENOUS

- uniform thin white area
- may or may not alternate w/ normal mucosa

##### NON-HOMOGENOUS

- Speckled
- Nodular
- Verrucous

##### PROLIFERATIVE VERRUCOUS LEUKOPLAKIA

↑ risk of malignant transformation

Chronic hyperplastic candidiasis presents as speckled leukoplakia

- ② **ERYTHROPLAKIA** - red patch which cannot be otherwise characterised

- 57% → invasive SCC  
40% → Ca in situ  
9% → mild to moderate dysplasia

### PREMALIGNANT CONDITIONS (Precancerous condition - 2005)

- generalised state w/ significantly ↑ Ca risk.
- signifies that cancer can arise in ANY PART OF THE ORAL CAVITY, and NOT NECESSARILY in a PRE-EXISTING LESION

- 1) **Sideropenic dysphagia** - iron deficiency

[Plummer-Vinson /  
Paterson-Kelly so] ↓ epithelial atrophy → Ca

- 2) **Oral lichen planus**

chronic mucocutaneous immune inflammatory condition

- 3) **Oral submucous fibrosis** - chronic, progressive

oral condition w/ chewing ARECA NUT (usually as a component of Betel Quid)

Fibroelastic transformation of the juxtaepithelial connective tissue



Mucosal rigidity  
Fibrous bands  
Mucosal pallor

Histologically - epithelial atrophy, keratosis, dysplasia

- 4) **Xeroderma pigmentosum** - Ca tongue

- 5) **Syphilitic glossitis** - tertiary syphilis

- 6) **Discoid lupus erythematosus** - Ca lip

- 7) **Epidermolysis bullosa dystrophica** may be w/ - Oral leukoplakia  
SCC

### CONDITIONS w/ MALIGNANT TRANSFORMATION (Ref B & L 27E)

#### HIGH RISK

ERYTHROPLAKIA  
PROLIFERATIVE VERRUCOUS LEUKOPLAKIA  
CHRONIC HYPERPLASTIC CANDIDIASIS

#### MEDIUM RISK

ORAL SUBMUCOUS FIBROSIS  
SYPHILITIC GLOSSITIS

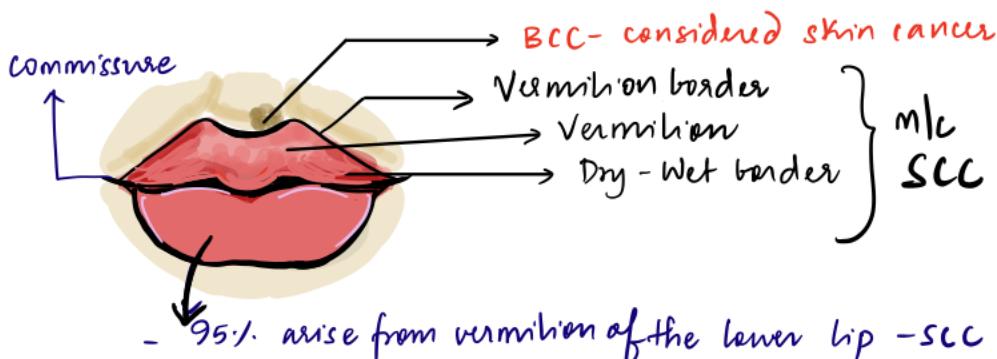
#### LOW RISK/EQUIVOCAL RISK

ORAL LICHEN PLANUS  
DISCOID LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS  
DYSTROPHIC KERATOSIS CONGENITA

## LIP CANCER

Precancerous condition - Actinic cheilitis

- Epidemiology:
- M:F :: 15:1
  - Related to sun/UV radiation exposure



Enlarging discrete lesion → ulcerates

Sometimes, background of LEUKOPLAKIA / CIS

SPREAD - Dermal lymphatic invasion → Erythema of adjacent skin

Deep invasion → palpable induration  
adjacent - commissures  
Skin, orbicularis muscle  
Buccal mucosa  
mandible

Perineural invasion - 2% cases

Upper lip - preauricular, infraparotid  
Lymphatic spread → Ia, Ib → Internal jugular chain  
~5% at diagnosis -  $\propto$  Grade, size, Invasion, Recurrence

## MANAGEMENT

① Leukoplakia, severe dysplasia, Carcinoma in situ - **VERMILIONECTOMY / LIP SHAVE**

② Tis, <1cmT, SURGERY - can be done if resection is feasible in 1<sup>st</sup> closure without reduction of oral stoma

③ T1-4 ( $>1\text{cm}$ ) Commissure involvement } RT - cosmetic & functional advantages over surgery (provided there is no bony involvement / substantial loss of normal tissue)

④ Bony involvement, Substantial tissue loss → Surgery & Reconstruction

MARGIN - 5mm

RT indications - true margins (if re-resection not feasible)

- Perineural / LVSI
- Definitive RT - if tumor involves upper lip / commissures /  $>2\text{cm}$

LNs - Clinically node negative neck - observe / RT in high risk

N+ → MRND / RND

Delayed neck dissections

## ANATOMY

stratified non-keratinized squamous epithelium

Muscle - Orbicularis oris

### Blood supply

- sup & inf labial arteries (branches of facial A)

Sensory - Upper lip - infraorbital ( $V_2$ )  
Lower lip - mental ( $V_3$ )

# PRINCIPLES OF SURGERY FOR LIP CANCER

## LATERAL LIP

### SMALL DEFECTS

Excision:

- **WEDGE**

angled to blend  
into chin crease



- 'W' EXCISION

- for larger  
lesions



- STAR/STEP ADVANCEMENT FLAP  
(Johansen flap)

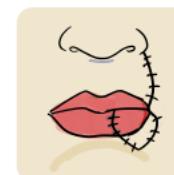
### LARGER DEFECTS

commissure  
involved

#### ESTLANDER FLAP

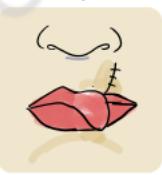
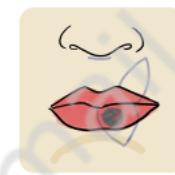
Based on superior  
or inferior labial  
As

lip switch  
flaps



commissure  
spared

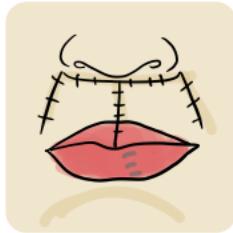
#### ABBE SABITTINI FLAP



## CENTRAL LIP DEFECTS

### UPPER LIP

- WEBSTER FLAP

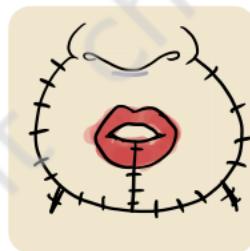
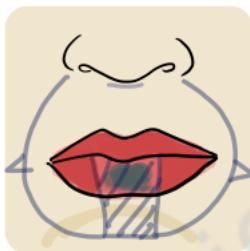


### LOWER LIP

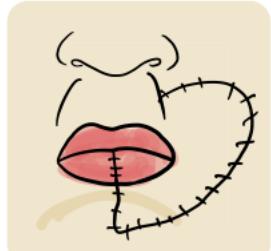
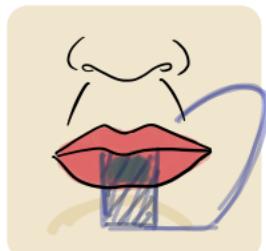
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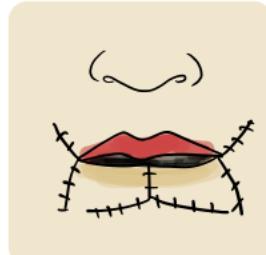
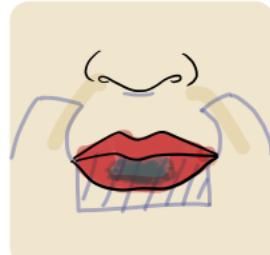
- KARAPANDZIC FLAP



- GILLIES FAN FLAP



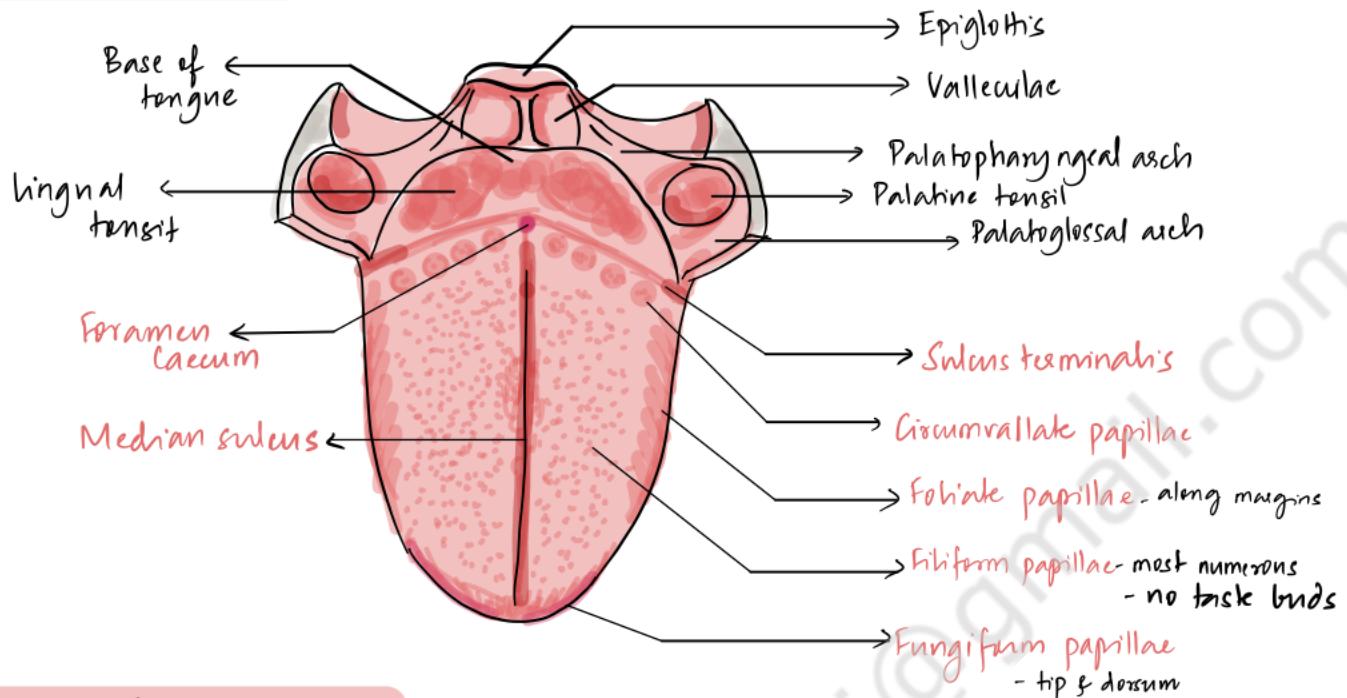
- GATE FLAPS



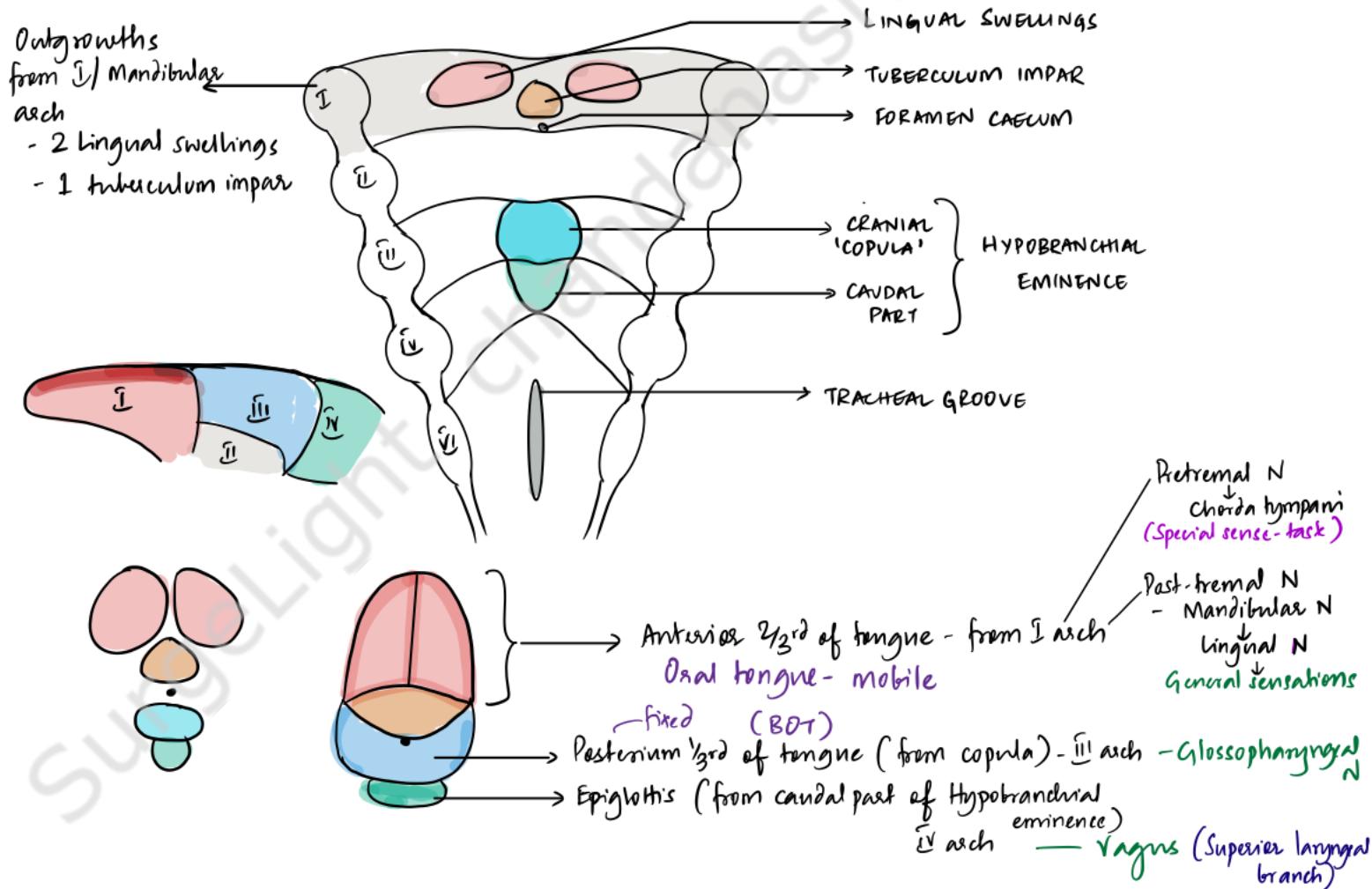
Bilateral nasolabial island flaps

# TONGUE

## RELEVANT ANATOMY



## EMBRYOLOGY OF TONGUE



Muscles of the tongue are derived from OCCIPITAL MYOTOMES → Innervation - HYPOGLOSSAL NERVE

Arterial supply → Lingual arteries (br. of ECA)

## MUSCLES OF THE TONGUE

### INTRINSIC MUSCLES

Mainly alter the **SHAPE** of the tongue

- 1) **SUPERIOR LONGITUDINAL** - shortens tongue, curls apex & sides
- 2) **INFERIOR LONGITUDINAL** - shortens tongue, uncurls apex
- 3) **TRANSVERSE** - Narrows & elongates tongue
- 4) **VERTICAL** - flattens & widens tongue

### EXTRINSIC MUSCLES

Mainly alter the **POSITION** of the tongue

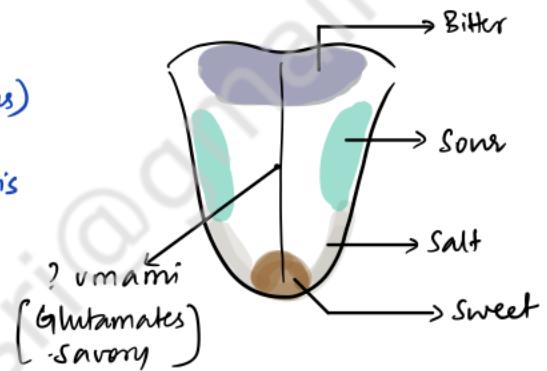
- 1) **GENIOGLOSSUS** - Protracts tongue
- 2) **STYLOGLOSSUS** - Elevates & retracts tongue
- 3) **HYOGLOSSUS** - Depresses & retracts tongue
- 4) **PALATOGLOSSUS** - Elevates posterior tongue

**Innervation** - all are innervated by **HYPOGLOSSAL NERVE**

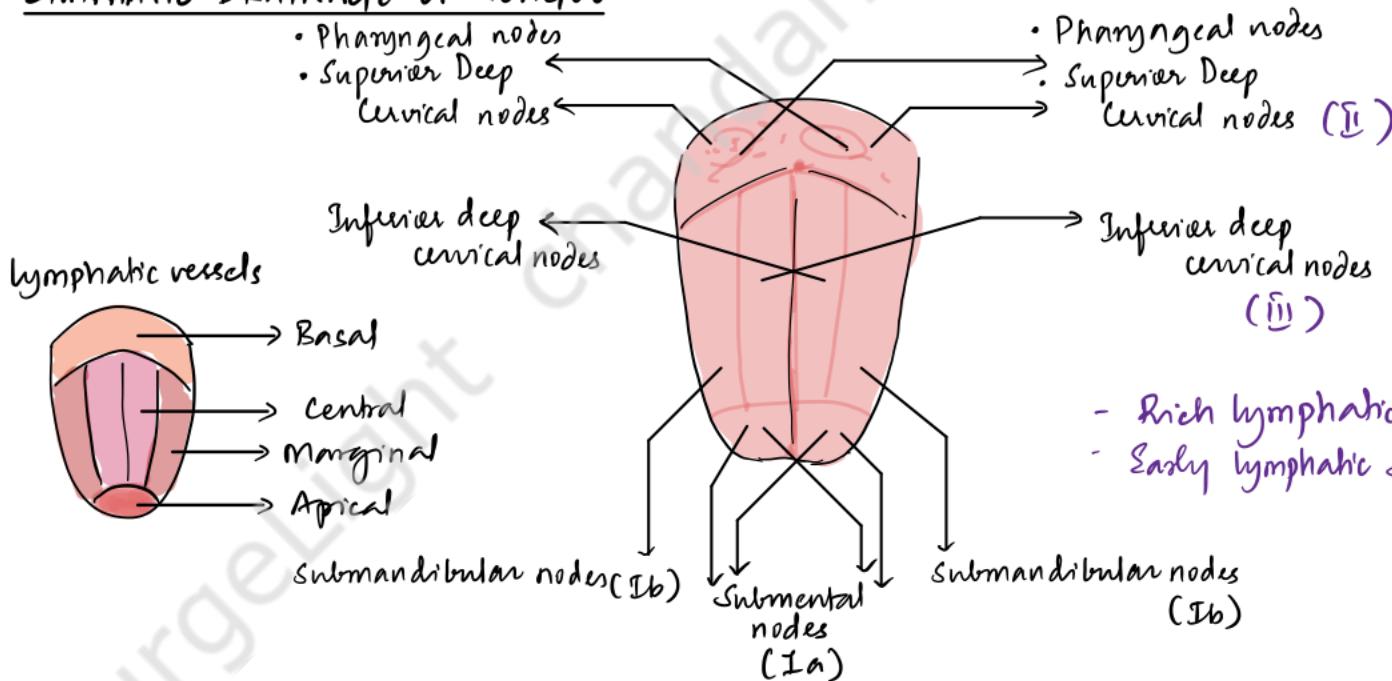
EXCEPT PALATOGLOSSUS → innervated by pharyngeal branch of vagus

### HYPOGLOSSAL NERVE INNERVATES :

- 1) Intrinsic Muscles of tongue
- 2) Extrinsic muscles of tongue (except palatoglossus)
- 3) GENIOHYOID
- 4) INFRAHYOID STRAP MUSCLES via Ansa cervicalis  
 (Stenothyroid  
Stenohyoid  
Thyrohyoid  
Omohyoid)



### LYMPHATIC DRAINAGE OF TONGUE



- Rich lymphatic network
- Early lymphatic spread

- Tip of the tongue drains into submental lymph nodes
- Lateral margins  $\xrightarrow{\text{subperiosteal lymphatics of mandible}}$  Deep cervical nodes  
  - can involve bone
- Mid-dorsum - free communication across midline → Bilateral neck nodes ⑧  
  - esp in posterior 1/3rd
- Posterior 1/3rd - Deep cervical nodes, pharyngeal nodes

## CARCINOMA TONGUE

Epidemiology & etiology - similar to other oral malignancies

### SITES

m/c - Lateral margin - 50%.  
 Posterior  $\frac{1}{3}$ rd - 20%.  
 Ventral surface - 10%.  
 Tip - 10%.  
 Dorsum - 10%.

### TYPE

SCC - m/c malignancy

Rarely - Lenomyosarcomas  
Rhabdiosarcomas

### Clinical Features

- Exophytic / ulcerative / submucosal mass - a/c tenderness / irritation
  - Induration beyond the visible margin
  - Excessive salivation - often blood tinged - foul odor
- T<sub>4a</sub> - invasion of cortical bone, extrinsic muscles, facial skin

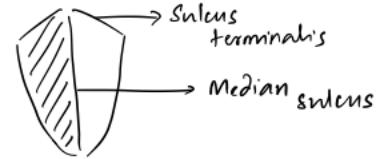
- T<sub>4b</sub> - invasion of masticator space, ptungoid space, skull base
- Ankyloglossia - muscle involvement / floor of mouth involvement
  - Trismus
  - Referred otalgia

Depth of invasion 4-5mm, LN met ~30%.

### MANAGEMENT

Early lesions - T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>2</sub> - partial glossectomy w/ 1° closure / skin graft - transorally  
 Margin ( $> 5\text{mm} \rightarrow$  negative;  $1\text{-}2\text{ cm}$  recommended)

Larger lesions - hemiglossectomy w/ flap reconstruction (free flap)  
 ( $> 2\text{cm}$ ) (LFF)



T<sub>2</sub>, T<sub>3</sub> - Moderately advanced lesions - add post op RT / cRT

T<sub>4</sub> - Near total / total glossectomy / Definitive Radiation  
 w/ Mandibulectomy

Neck dissection → Clinically node negative → ND recommended if DOI  $> 4\text{mm}$

+ Floor of mouth invasion  
 if DOI  $> 2\text{mm}$

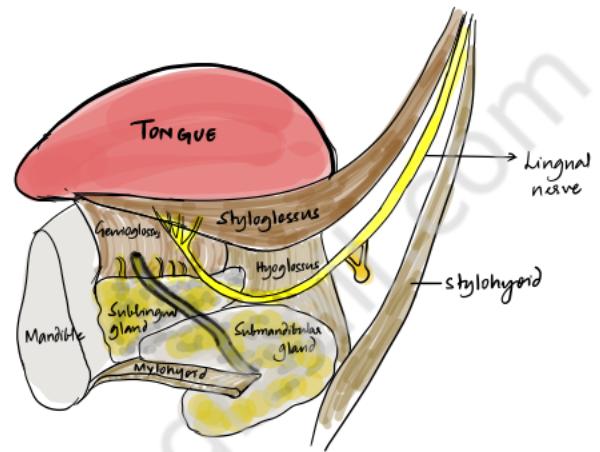
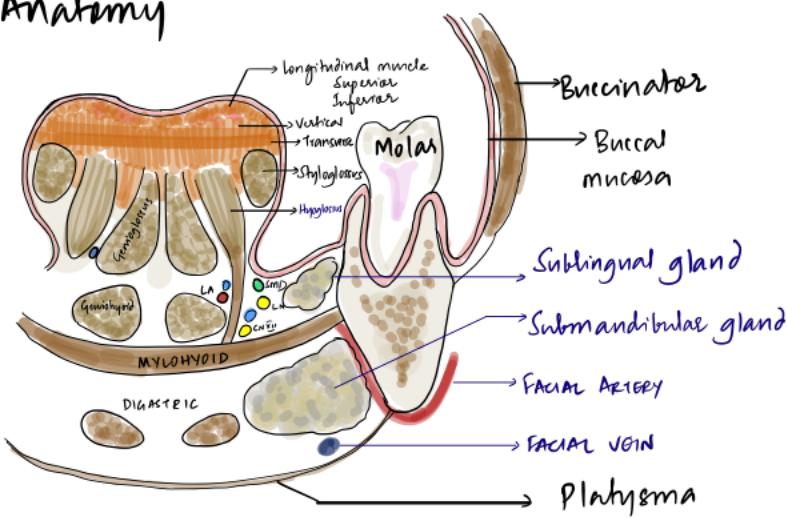
### APPROACHES

- 1) Transoral
- 2) Cheek flap
- 3) Mandibulotomy / Lip split approach
- 4) Mandibular linguinal releasing approach / Visor flap approach

## FLOOR OF MOUTH

'U' shaped area bounded by lower gingiva & oral tongue terminating posteriorly at the anterior tonsillar pillar

### Anatomy



### CA FLOOR OF MOUTH

- Most neoplasms are SCC - moderate grade ; 5% - mucoepidermoid & adenoid cystic carcinomas
- 90% originate within 2cm of anterior midline of FOM
- Spread - beneath mucosa into sublingual gland → gemiglossus & gemiohyoid
  - Extends along the periosteum, rather than through it (Mandibular invasion - late)
  - Mylohyoid barrier → goes behind the muscle & emerges in submandibular space of neck.
  - Posteriorly invades muscles of root of tongue
  - Submandibular duct obstruction
- 30% have clinically + nodes on presentation (I B, II m/c)
- 4% - B/L nodes
- T<sub>1</sub>-T<sub>2</sub> lesions - occult neck nodes 10-15%.

### MANAGEMENT

#### EARLY LESIONS

Surgery / RT - equally effective for T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>2</sub> lesions  
Surgery > RT, ∵ RT complications

WLE (small ≤ 5mm lesions)  
Transoral, ± 1cm margin  
T<sub>1</sub> lesions - Brachytherapy  
Intraoperative cone RT  
65 Gy

#### MODERATELY ADVANCED LESIONS

Rim resection / Marginal mandibulectomy  
Segmental mandibulectomy  
+ Osteomycocutaneous flap

Pure ap RT / CRT

Midline lesions - No neck -

B/L Functional ND

Larger lesions - EBRT 45-50Gy x 5w

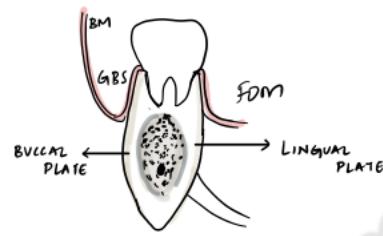
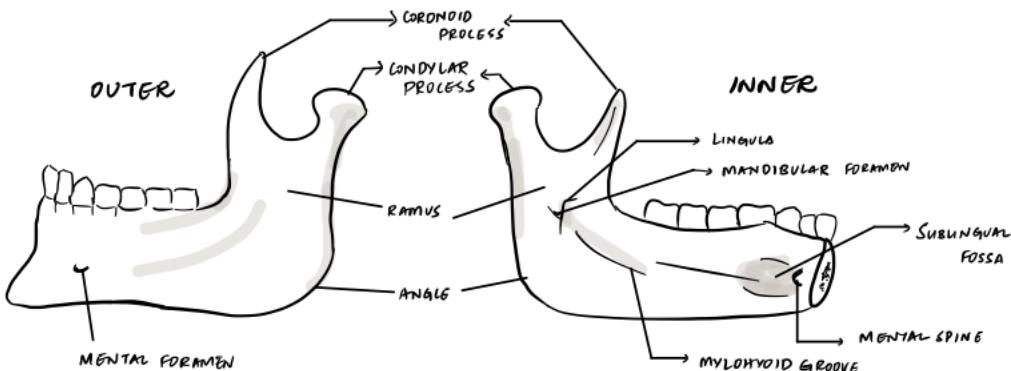
Interstitial RT 20-30Gy

#### ADVANCED LESIONS

Primary CRT / RT

# MANDIBULAR RESECTIONS

## ANATOMY



Lingual plate is weaker than Buccal plate

## 1. MARGINAL MANDIBULECTOMY

### Indications

- Floor of mouth / Buccal mucosal lesions within 1cm from mandible
- Minimal / NO bony erosion

### Contraindications

- Irradiated mandible
- Edentulous mandible
- Gross erosion f #
- Cancer involving both surfaces of the mandible
- Inability to preserve the inferior alveolar artery

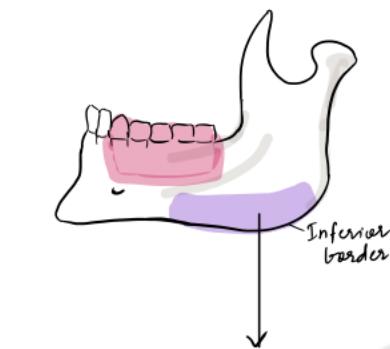
Bony bridge should be at least 1 cm tall to prevent stress fracture of remnant

Marginal mandibulectomy for RMT Ca:

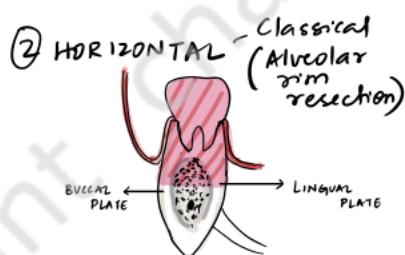


anterior aspect of asc. ramus excised & coronoid process

### TYPES OF MARGINAL MANDIBULECTOMY



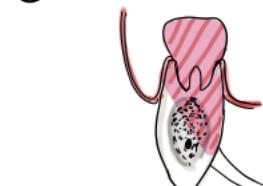
① REVERSE MARGINAL MANDIBULECTOMY  
(done for advanced neck disease infiltrating mandible)



③ VERTICAL / SAGITTAL



④ OBLIQUE

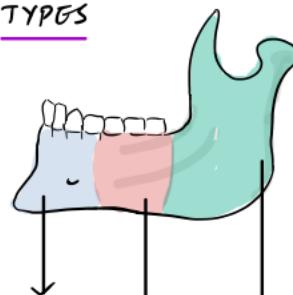


## 2. SEGMENTAL MANDIBULECTOMY

### Indications:

- Gross bony invasion / erosion (Advanced T)
- Inadequate bony remnant i Marginal mandibulectomy (<1cm height) - PIPESTEM MANDIBLE
- Post RT / Recurrence

### TYPES



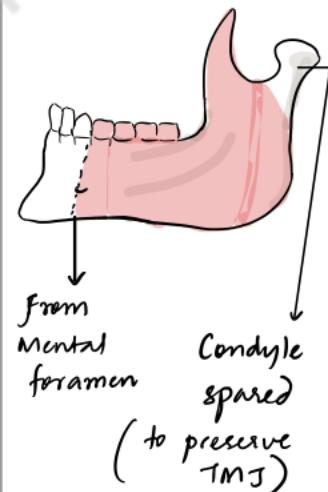
ANTERIOR SEGMENTAL  
(arch removed)

LATERAL SEGMENTAL  
↓ arch sparing

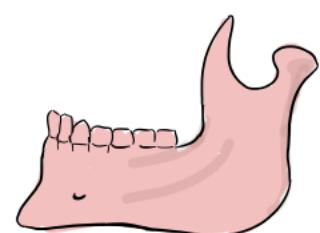
POSTERIOR SEGMENTAL

Removal of ascending ramus, coronoid process & condyle

## 3. PARTIAL MANDIBULECTOMY



## 4. HEMIMANDIBULECTOMY



Entire hemimandible is resected

### MANDIBULOTOMY

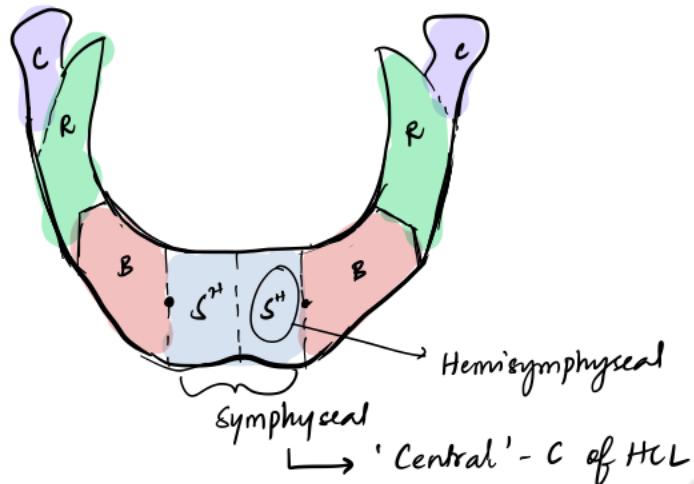
- NOT A RESECTION
- done to gain access to the lesion

# MANDIBULAR RECONSTRUCTION

## TYPES OF MANDIBULAR DEFECTS

(L) → any lateral segment without condyle

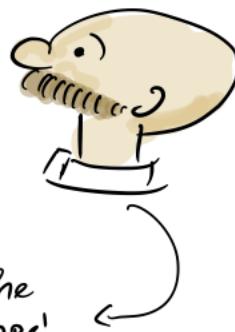
(H) → L + condyle



## ANDY GUMP DEFORMITY

Mandibular arch defect that creates the appearance of an absent chin and severely retrognathic jaw

↓  
Central segment defects (segmental mandibulectomy crossing the midline and including the mandibular arch) require reconstruction with Osseocutaneous free flaps (RIGID support) to prevent the deformity



Andy Gump from the  
Comic Strip 'THE GUMPS'

## Reconstructive Strategies

- 1) Primary closure
- 2) Soft tissue only - Eg PMMC
- 3) Alloplastic material - 2-4mm RECON PLATE
- 4) Combination - PMMC + Recon plate
- 5) Non vascularised bone grafts - Titanium tray + cancellous bone chips (iliac crest)
- 6) Vascularised bone grafts - Fibula - edentulous / dental  
Iliac crest - dentate  
Scapula

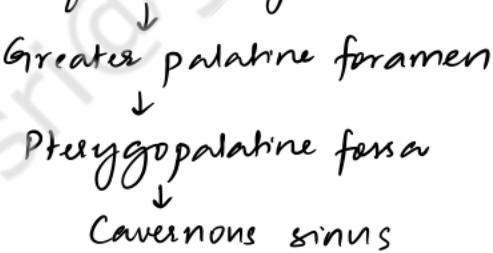
## CANCER OF THE HARD PALATE

- Rare - seen in males in practice of REVERSE SMOKING & t repeated thermal injury
- Types - SCC  
Minor Salivary Gland tumors

Presents : painless / painful ulcer, bleeding, ill fitting dentures

### SPREAD

- Palatal periosteum is a strong barrier to spread
- Spread into maxilla → nasal symptoms, facial swelling
- Anterolateral spread → alveolar ridge involvement - dental pain, loose teeth
- Perineural spread → along palatine branches of maxillary nerve  
(esp. adenoid cystic ca)
  - Multiple cranial neuropathies
  - Facial numbness
  - Diplopia



### MANAGEMENT

#### 1) Surgery → TOC

WLE → healing by 2<sup>o</sup> intention / SSG for small lesions

- Partial palatectomy i bone removal

- Maxillectomy i reconstruction using maxillary obturators

Lateral rhinotomy incision i WEBER FERGUSON EXTENSION



Infractural maxillectomy

- Limited Maxillectomy → resection of one wall of maxillary sinus
  - Palatectomy / Alveolectomy
  - Medial maxillectomy
- Partial Maxillectomy → ≥ 2 walls resection (not including posterior wall)
- Total Maxillectomy → Orbital preservation or reconstruction (Chemimaxillectomy)

No need for elective ND

#### 2) RT

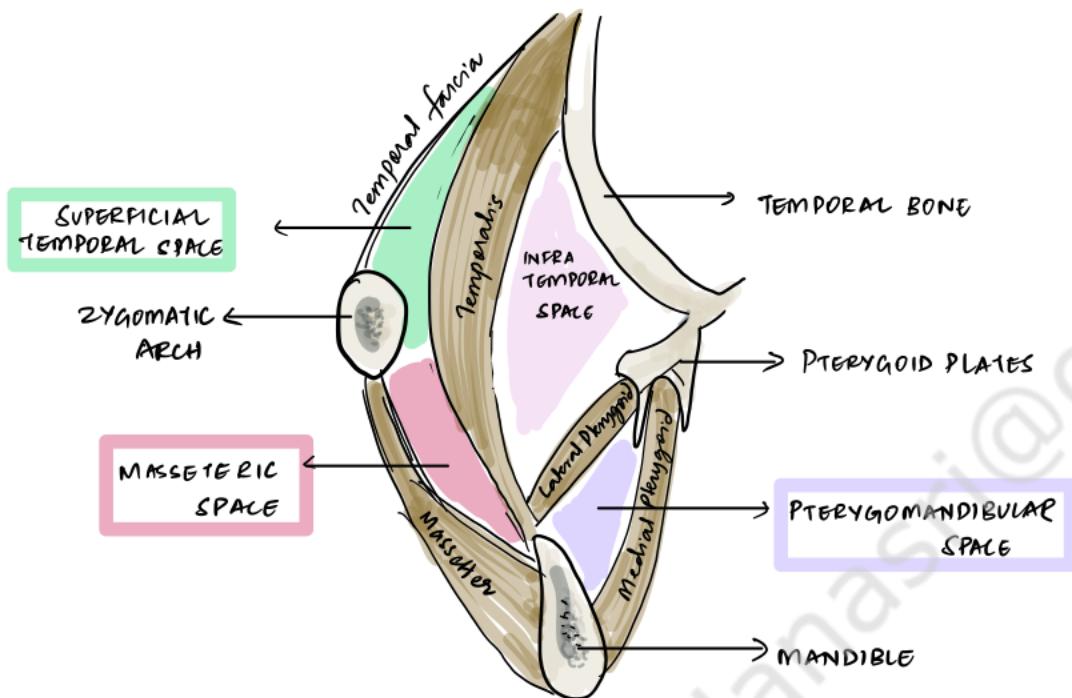
- Adjuvant RT
- Primary RT for extensive unresectable perineural disease

## CARCINOMA BUCCAL MUCOSA

Buccal mucosa - mucous membrane covering the inner surface of cheeks & lips

- ends above & below in a transition to gingiva
- ends posteriorly at RMT

### RELEVANT SURGICAL ANATOMY



BUCCAL SPACE : Medial boundary- Buccinator  
Lateral boundary- Zygomaticus major

Contents - Buccal pad of fat (Communicating posteriorly with infratemporal fat pad)  
- Stensen's duct  
- Facial & Buccal arteries, Facial vein  
- Branches of mandibular & facial nerve

Infratemporal fossa

### SPREAD

- Early lesions - discrete, exophytic  
Buccinator muscle - natural barrier to spread → advanced → infiltrate muscles  
↓ skin
- adjacent spread → Gingivobuccal sulcus → gingiva - bone  
→ obstruction of stensen's duct → parotid enlargement
- involvement of lingual & dental nerves
  - pain
  - referred odontalgia
- Posterior extension - behind pterygomandibular raphe → trismus
- LYMPHATIC → I<sub>1</sub> II<sub>1</sub>  
LN+ at presentation 9-30%  
Distant disease - 16%

m/c → SCC (in pre-existing leucoplakia, usually)  
rarely minor salivary gland tumors  
melanoma

## MANAGEMENT

Surgery - WLE ( $\geq 1\text{cm}$  mucosal, soft tissue & bone margins)

APPROACHES - Per-oral, cheek flap, midline lip split, Angle split

- Superficial lesions of buccal mucosa not fixed to muscle - R-resection including the buccinator muscle as deep margin
- Extensive lesions involving buccinator muscle
  - full thickness cheek resection & wide margins

Reconstruction - graft / flap

### - NECK DISSECTION

- Nodal metastases - clinical / imaging
- T<sub>3</sub> / T<sub>4</sub> cancers
- T<sub>1</sub> / T<sub>2</sub> cancer if
  - Poor differentiation
  - tumor thickness  $> 4\text{mm}$
  - (if tumor has palpable thickness)

### - MANDIBULAR RESECTION

in close abutment / involvement

- Composite resection

## RETROMOLAR TRIGONE

## RMT- AJCC definition

attached mucosa overlying the ascending ramus of the mandible from the level of the posterior surface of the last molar tooth to the apex superiorly adjacent to the tuberosity of maxilla

The retromolar gingiva is in continuity with mucosa of the buccal groove.

- Buccal region
  - Floor of the mouth
  - Mandibular alveolar ridge
  - hard palate (maxilla)
  - anterior tonsillar pillar
  - soft palate

Mucosa  
Keratinised  
mucosa

Beneath the mucosa of RMT → Pterygomandibular suture [Pterygoid hamulus attachment of: Buccinator  
• Orbicularis oris Mylohyoid ridge of  
• Superior constrictor mandible]

Since the mandible is covered only by mucosa & periosteum at the RMT, tumors are often advanced at presentation & bony destruction

SPREAD

- 1) Adjacent - Buccal mucosa, tensillar pillar, maxilla
  - 2) Posterior - Pterygomandibular space, medial pterygoid muscle  
- TRISMUS
  - 3) Posteriorlateral - Buccinator, Buccal pad of fat
  - 4) Lymphatic spread - Level I & II  
LN  $\oplus$  at presentation  $\approx 30\%$ .  
Occult LN -  $\approx 15-25\%$ .
  - 5) Inferior alveolar nerve involvement  
- Loss of sensation over chin  
- Refined odontalgia - burning

## MANAGEMENT



- ② Radiation - Primary RT - for early lesions - BUT - risk of trismus, bone exposure  
Adjvant RT for bulky invasion, nodal mets

## ALVEOLAR RIDGE

Upper alveolar ridge - similar to hard palate cancers

## LOWER ALVEOLAR RIDGE (LAR)

- Malignancies - SCC ~ 90%.  
    Verucous carcinoma  
    Adenocarcinoma
- Risk factors - Betel Quid & / or tobacco

## MANDIBULAR INVOLVEMENT IN ORAL CANCERS

- ① It was earlier thought that lymphatics of tongue & floor of mouth pass through mandibular periosteum on their way to the cervical nodes  

Now disproved
- ② Tumor abutment and subsequent invasion
  - (a) Buccal Mucosa
  - (a) FOM
  - ↓
  - Invade via buccal & lingual surface
  - (a) RMT
  - (a) LAR
  - ↓
  - Invade via occlusal surface
- ③ Infiltration via cortical defects along SHARPEY's fibres (collagenous fibres bridging mucosa to the cortical bone)
- ④ Via foramina - mental foramen, mandibular foramen

## Management

Surgery - Mandibular resection

Post-operative RT / CRT

## PRINCIPLES OF NECK MANAGEMENT IN ORAL CANCERS

- (1) Tumor sites that have B/L LN drainage (BOT, palate, supraglottic larynx, hypopharynx)
  - (2) Advanced lesions of anterior tongue, FOM, alveolus close to or crossing midline
- B/L exploration / Contralateral SND

### INDICATIONS FOR ELECTIVE NECK DISSECTION (END)

- Depends on risk of occult metastasis

Depends on Depth of invasion

↓  
>4mm → Strongly consider END  
esp if RT not planned

2-4mm → clinical correlation

<2mm → only in highly select situations

### Rough guidelines

N<sub>0</sub> → Selective neck dissection

Oral cavities → I, II, III

Hypopharynx - II, III, IV

N<sub>1</sub>, N<sub>2</sub> → Selective / Comprehensive

N<sub>3</sub> - Comprehensive

## Malignancies of:

- Oropharynx
- Nasopharynx
- Larynx
- Maxillary antrum

# HYPOPHARYNGEAL CANCER

Hypopharynx extends from level of hyoid bone to the lower border of the cricoid cartilage

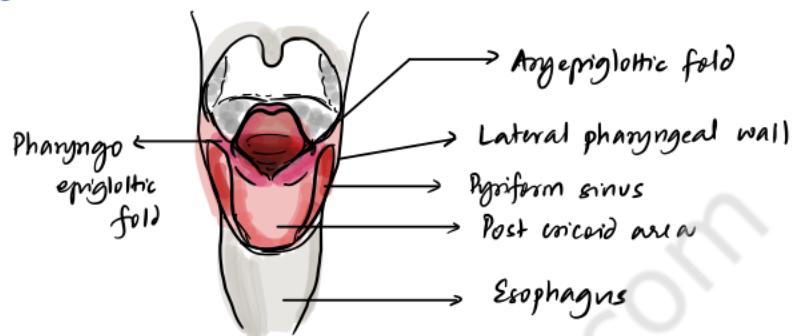
## SUBSITES

### 1) Pyriform sinus

↳ m/c site of malignancy

### 2) Post cricoid region

### 3) Lateral & posterior pharyngeal walls



- 95% → SCC

- Rarely - Minor salivary gland tumors

( CIS is seen at the edge of pharyngeal wall SCCs

↳ multifocal → clear margins difficult to obtain by excision

## PYRIFORM SINUS

Early lesions - nodular mucosal irregularities

Medial lesions

- spread along aryepiglottic fold & arytenoids

↓

invade false vocal cords

- extend posteriorly to post-cricoid

→ cricoid cartilage  
opp. pyriform sinus

Extensive submucosal spread ⚡

Central ulceration ⚡

Vocal cord fixity ⚡/+

- infiltration of intrinsic muscles of larynx
- infiltration of cricoarytenoid joint
- infiltration of RLN

## Clinical features

- Unilateral sore throat
- Dysphagia
- Ear pain
- Voice change
- Pooling of secretions (Blood streaked)
- Cervical lymphadenopathy

## POST CRICOID

Early postcricoid lesions are rare

Lesions arising from posterior wall tend to remain on posterior wall

Lesions arising from anterior wall invade posterior cricoarytenoid muscle & cricoid & arytenoid cartilages

- Advanced tumors encircle the lumen

## PHARYNGEAL WALL

Posterior pharyngeal wall

- tend to remain in the posterior wall (↓ circumferential spread)
- grow up (palate & nasopharynx) and down the wall
- infiltrate posteriorly

Lateral pharyngeal wall

- Early lesions are well defined, exophytic

Penetrate laterally through constrictor muscle

↓  
Enter lateral pharyngeal space

↓  
soft tissues of the neck



BOCA sign - loss of laryngeal crepitus on side to side movement of larynx

## STAGING AJCC-8

T - Tx - cannot be assessed  
Tis - in situ

T<sub>1</sub> - limited to one subsite of hypopharynx  
 $\leq 2\text{ cm}$

T<sub>2</sub> - involving > 1 subsite  
or 2-4 cm

T<sub>3</sub> - > 4 cm  
or fixation of hemilarynx / extension to esophagus

T<sub>4</sub> → T<sub>4a</sub> - invades thyroid/cricoid cartilage, hyoid, thyroid gland  
central compartment soft tissue

T<sub>4b</sub> - invades prevertebral fascia  
Carotid artery  
Mediastinal structures }

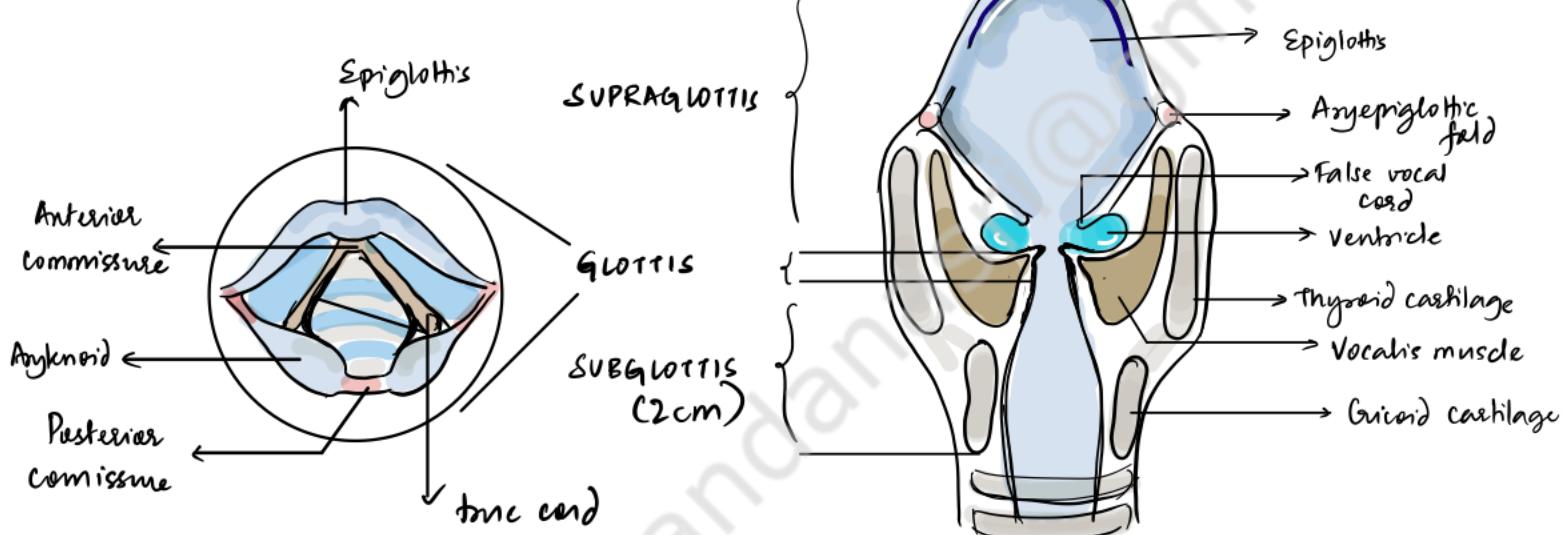
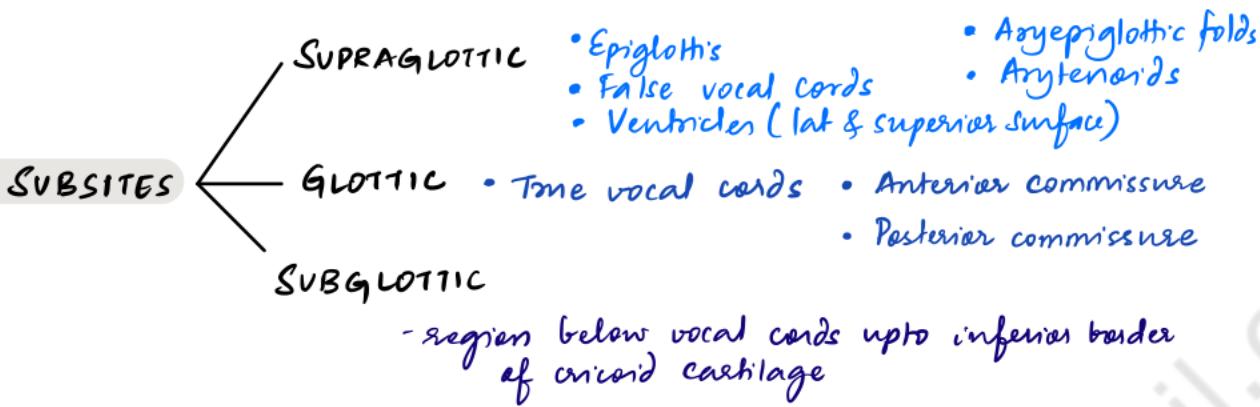
## Management

T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>2</sub> → RT > { TORS / TLM  
Partial laryngectomy & neck dissection

Advanced — Resectable, fit, willing → Total laryngopharyngectomy  
& RND + Recon ±  
+ Post op RT

Unresectable, unfit → RT

# LARYNGEAL CANCER



95% SCC

Others - adenocarcinoma

carcoma

neuroendocrine

Smoking >>> Alcohol

CIS vs invasive SCC - risk of missing areas of microinvasion & vocal cord biopsies

both are treated by either endoscopic transoral laser resection / RT

## SUPRAGLOTTIC CANCER

- Exophytic growth
- Infiltrate destroy epiglottis
- Invade - vallecula  
Pre-epiglottic space  
lateral phar. walls
- false vocal cords - submucosal cancer
- AE folds → invade pyriform fossa
- GLOTTIC & SUBGLOTTIC extension - late phenomena

Moderately rich  
capillary lymphatic plexus  
↓  
pass through pre-epiglottic space & thyrohyoid membrane to Level II  
→ Level III, IV

↑ LN  $\oplus$  at Dx

- Often no symptoms
- sore throat
  - intolerance to hot / cold food
  - Ear pain

## 'T' STAGING 'AJCC 8' - T<sub>x</sub> - cannot be assessed, Tis - carcinoma in situ

T<sub>1</sub> - limited to 1 subsite of supraglottis

T<sub>2</sub> - invades mucosa of  $> 1$  adjacent subsite (Supraglottis / Glottis / Extralglottic [BOT/Vallate, pyriform fossa]) without laryngeal fixation

T<sub>3</sub> - limited to larynx & fixed VC & invasion of - Posterior area Preepiglottic space, paraglottic space, inner cortex of thyroid cartilage

T<sub>4a</sub> - outer cortex of thyroid cartilage Trachea, Esophagus, tongue muscles neck soft tissues , thyroid

T<sub>4b</sub> - Prevertebral musc, Carotid A Mediastinum

## GLOTTIC CANCER

- Majority of lesions on FREE MARGIN & UPPER SURFACE of VOCAL CORD
- $> 2/3$ rd - unilateral
- Anterior  $2/3$ rd of cord - m/c
- Invades - ventricles  
False cord  
arytenoids | subglottis  
vocal ligament, thyroarytenoid  
thyroid cartilage  
PARAGLOTTIC SPACE, neck

Essentially NO CAPILLARY LYMPHATICS IN GLOTTIC REGION

- Neck nodes  $\oplus$  seen after
- supraglottic spread (II, III, IV)
  - Subglottic spread (IV, V, VI)

↓ LN  $\oplus$  in early stages

- PERSISTENT HOARSENESS
- Usually presents relatively early

## SUBGLOTTIC CANCER

- Rare
- involves cricoid
- cartilage
- EARLY

- Cord fixation is common

Relatively few capillary lymphatics ↓ pass via cricothyroid membrane to

- Central gp (VI)
- Level IV

~10% LN  $\oplus$  at Dx

- Usually no symptoms until locally extensive

## 'T' STAGING 'AJCC 8' - T<sub>is</sub> - carcinoma in situ

T<sub>1</sub> - limited to VC  
T<sub>1a</sub> - 1 VC T<sub>1b</sub> - Both VC (Normal VC mobility)

T<sub>2</sub> - extends to supraglottis and/or subglottis and/or impaired vocal cord mobility

T<sub>3</sub> - limited to larynx & fixed VC & invasion of paraglottic space, inner cortex of thyroid cartilage

T<sub>1</sub> - limited to subglottis

T<sub>2</sub> - extends to VC & normal / impaired VC mobility

T<sub>3</sub> - limited to larynx & Fixed VC & invasion of paraglottic space, inner cortex of thyroid cartilage

— II —

— II —

— I —

— I —

## SUPRAGLOTTIC CANCER

- T<sub>1-2</sub> - RT | Supraglottic laryngectomy  
T<sub>3</sub> - RT |  $\pm$  Salvage Surgery or Surgery + Post op RT  
T<sub>4</sub> - Surgery + Post op RT

## GLOTTIC CANCER

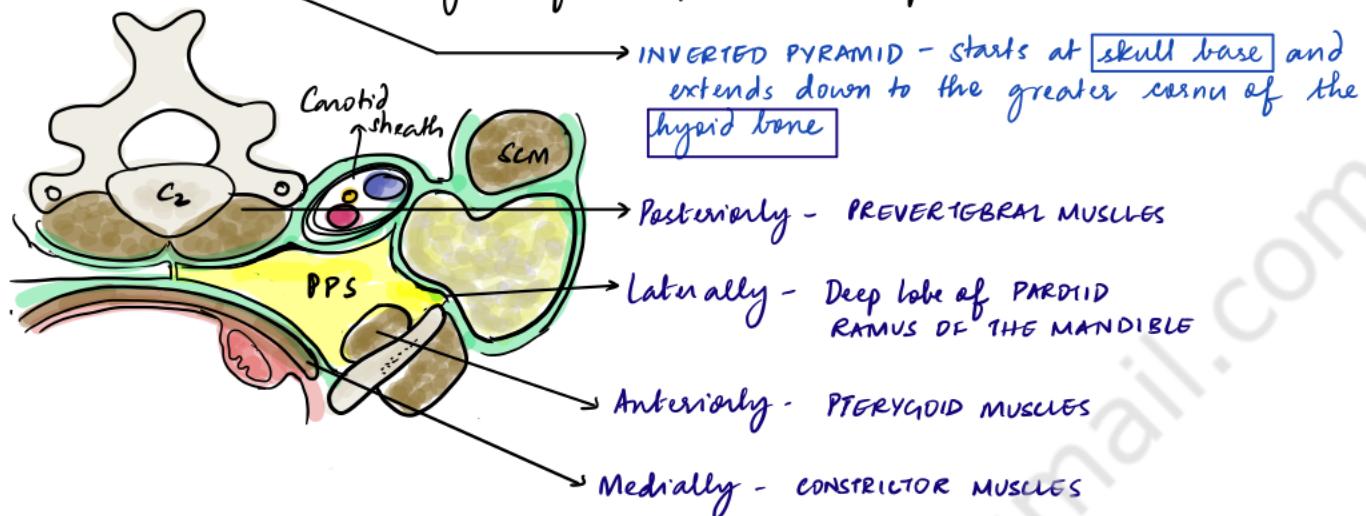
- Tis - cord stripping | RT  
T<sub>1-2</sub> - RT > Surgery - Cricothyroid Hemilaryngectomy  
T<sub>3</sub> - limited tumors - RT  $\pm$  Salvage Sx  
extensive - Sx  $\rightarrow$  RT / CRT  
T<sub>4</sub> - total laryngectomy  $\rightarrow$  RT / CRT or CCRT for larynx preservation

## SUBGLOTTIC CANCER

- Usually extensive when discovered  
RT  $\pm$  Surgery  
Local tumor control  $< 25\%$

## TUMORS OF THE PARAPHARYNGEAL SPACE

**Parapharyngeal space:** Anatomically complex potential space between investing layers of deep cervical fascia



Important structures in PPS - **CAROTID SHEATH**  
 Cranial nerves XI, XII  
 Cervical sympathetic chain

M/c tumor of PPS - Deep lobe parotid tumors extending into PPS  
 ↓  
 Pleomorphic adenoma

Other tumors of PPS : Paragangliomas  
 Schwannomas  
 Neurofibromas  
 Sarcomas  
 Meningiomas  
 Lymphomas

~80% of PPS tumors are benign

Clinical presentation:

- Neck mass causing blunting of angle of mandible  
 inferior displacement of submandibular gland
- Fullness of soft palate
- Bulge in lateral pharyngeal wall
- Medial displacement of palatine tonsil → tonsillar asymmetry
- Cranial neuropathies
- Trismus

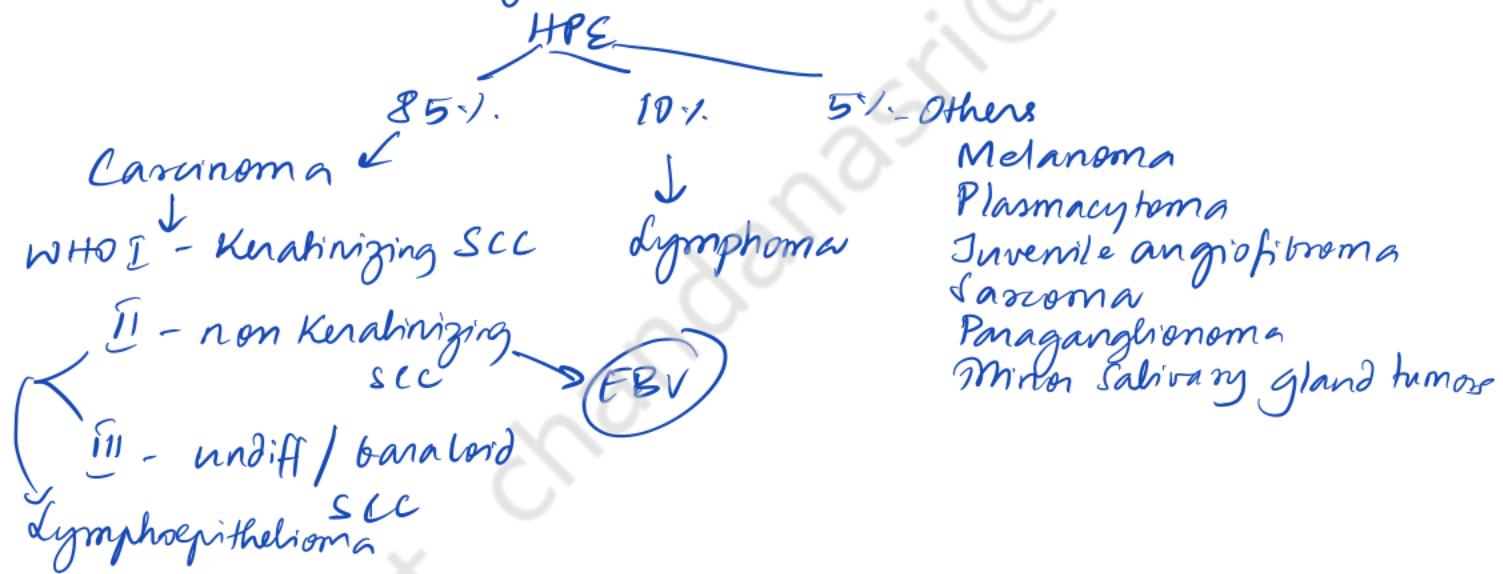
Approach for Mx - transcervical / transparotid  
 Skull base - anterior mandibulotomy

# NASOPHARYNGEAL CANCER

Nasopharynx - extends from base of skull to soft palate  
- lies behind nasal cavity  
- communicates anteriorly in nasal cavity (via posterior choanae)  
inferiorly in oropharynx  
laterally in middle ear via Eustachian tube

Fossa of Rosenmüller - situated in the lateral wall of nasopharynx  
behind Tonsil tubarius  
↳ only site for nasopharyngeal Ca

Epidemiology - ↑ in Chinese  
EBV association  
M > F 3:1  
Younger age - ~20%. < 30y



## Clinical features

- 1) High posterior cervical lymphadenopathy - 80%
  - maybe bilateral (50%)
- 2) Epistaxis
- 3) Nasal obstruction
- 4) Voice change
- 5) Unilateral hearing loss / Fullness in one ear - serous otitis
- 6) Trismus
- 7) Headache

## 8) Cranial nerve involvement

### RETROSPHENOIDAL SYNDROME

CN - II - V<sub>1</sub>

(often indicates cavernous sinus invasion)

Unilateral ophthalmoplegia } III, IV, VI  
ptosis

Tic-tac-toe

Unilateral weakness of muscles } V<sub>2</sub>  
of mastication

### RETROPAROTID SYNDROME

Cranial Nerves: IX to XII

- Sympathetic plexus

Dysphagia

Dysguesia

Tongue weakness

Horners' Syndrome

## Investigations

- Endoscopy
- CT / MRI

## Management

RT

Surgery - usually not feasible

# NECK DISSECTION

## COMPREHENSIVE NECK DISSECTIONS

Removal of all lymphatic tissue in the lateral neck, (levels I to V) along with extralymphatic structures (SAN, SCM, IJV)

Carried out in N+ disease

### 1) RADICAL NECK DISSECTION

Level I to V lymph nodes  
(SAN, IJV, SCM)  
Submandibular gland } removed

Structures spared  
• Carotid artery  
• Brachial Plexus

• Nerves: Vagus  
Hypoglossal N  
Dingual N

#### Indications

N+ neck for SCC with  
• SAN involvement  
• extensive soft tissue disease  
• invasion of SCM, IJV  
(N<sub>3</sub> disease)

### 2) MODIFIED NECK DISSECTION

Level I to V lymph nodes } removed  
Submandibular gland }

#### MRND-I - SAN spared

↳ m/c ND for N+ SCC of upper aerodigestive tract

#### MRND-II SAN, SCM spared

#### MRND-III SAN, SCM, IJV spared

↳ Functional neck dissection

↓  
Done for N+ DTC

## TYPES

## SELECTIVE NECK DISSECTIONS

Selective removal of nodal regions at risk (based on predicted spread pattern) + sparing of all non-lymphatic tissue (SAN, SCM, IJV)

- Carried out in clinically N<sub>0</sub> neck (i.e. ≥ 15-20% risk of occult nodes)
- CONTROVERSIAL - for nodal mets CONFINED TO (usually N<sub>1</sub>) FIRST ECHELON NODES  
- requires post op RT in such cases

### 3) SUPRAOMOHYOID NECK DISSECTION (SOHND)

Levels removed - I, II, III

Submandibular gland REMOVED

- For oral & oropharyngeal N<sub>0</sub> SCC
- For N<sub>0</sub> melanoma anterior to ear

### 2) EXTENDED SOHND

Levels removed - I, II, III, IV

Submandibular gland - REMOVED

- For N<sub>0</sub> SCC of lateral tongue

### 3) LATERAL NECK DISSECTION

Levels - II, III, IV

- For N<sub>0</sub> SCC of larynx, hypopharynx  
if 1<sup>o</sup> crosses midline, LND is done B/L

### 4) MODIFIED LATERAL NECK DISSECTION

Levels - II, III, IV, V

- For thyroid cancer in lateral neck nodes - 'Therapeutic' - for N<sub>1</sub> in addition to CND

### 5) POSTEROLATERAL NECK DISSECTION

Levels - II, III, IV, V

+ Suboccipital & Retraauricular

- N<sub>0</sub> melanoma posterior to ear

### 6) CENTRAL NECK DISSECTION

Levels - VI, VII

- Therapeutic dissection for disease limited to central compartment nodes for thyroid cancer

## Recommendations - for clinically N<sub>0</sub> neck

- When primary tumor is to be removed surgically, an END (despite N<sub>0</sub>) should be performed when risk of regional LN mets is  $\geq 15\%$ .

## Definition of risk groups - from DeVita

TABLE 45.4

### Definition of Risk Groups for the Clinically N<sub>0</sub> Neck

Group	Estimated Risk of Subclinical Neck Disease	T Stage	Site
I: Low risk	<20%	T1	Floor of mouth, oral tongue, retromolar trigone, gingiva, hard palate, buccal mucosa
II: Intermediate risk	20%–30%	T1	Soft palate, pharyngeal wall, supraglottic larynx, tonsil
		T2	Floor of mouth, oral tongue, retromolar trigone, gingiva, hard palate, buccal mucosa
III: High risk	>30%	T1– T4	Nasopharynx, pyriform sinus, base of tongue Soft palate, pharyngeal wall, supraglottic larynx, tonsil
		T2– T4	Floor of mouth, oral tongue, retromolar trigone, gingiva, hard palate, buccal mucosa
		T3– T4	

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## N<sub>+</sub> neck

MRND of ipsilateral N<sub>+</sub> disease without ECE } if Sx is  
+ RT / CCRT post op } planned for 10

If primary lesion is to be managed by RT / CCRT

check response after 4 weeks on CT scan

Complete Regression

RT alone is sufficient

→ tve nodes  
 $\geq 1.5 \text{ cm}$

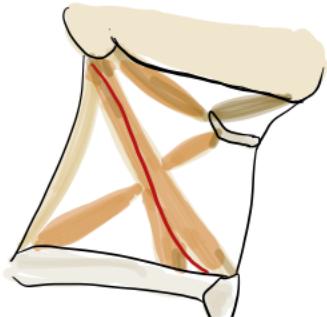
PET-CT  
12 weeks later

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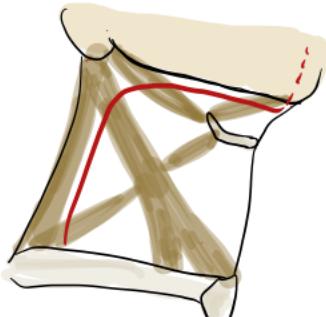
Salvage neck dissection

Planned neck dissection in N<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>3</sub> disease IRRESPECTIVE OF RESPONSE

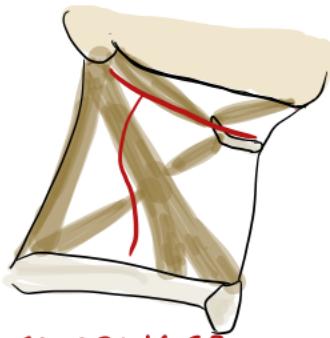
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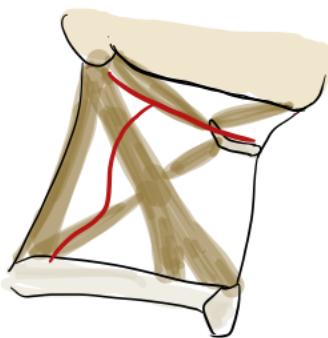
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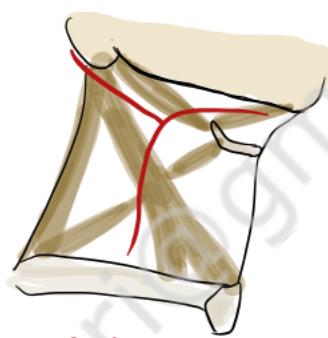
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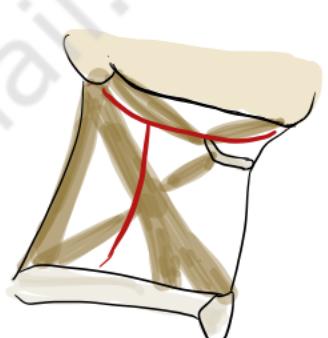
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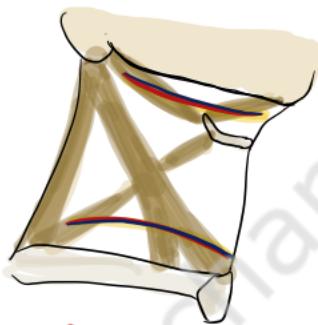
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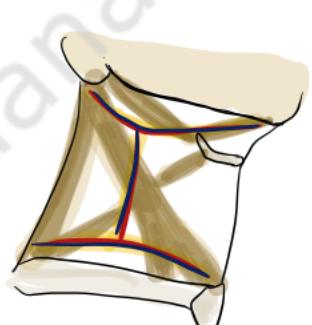
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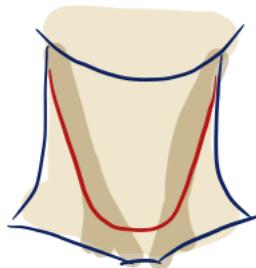
CRILE'S



MACFEE



HAYES MARTIN



DOUBLE HOCKEY STICK/  
APRON

## Considerations

- 1) Skin flap viability - broad based flaps, plane - subplatysmal, avoid trifurcate (avoid acute angles) incisions as far as possible
- 2) Consider risk of carotid exposure while adding  $90^\circ$  incisions
- 3) Factors in - exposure
  - reconstruction strategy
  - likelihood of re-operation

# COMPLICATIONS OF NECK DISSECTION

Table 12.1 Contributors to neck and shoulder disability based on level of neck dissection

Anatomical level	Structure affected	Impairment/disability
Level Ia	Fibrofatty tissue	Mild cosmetic deformity
Level Ib	Hypoglossal N Lingual N Marginal mandibular N	Ipsilateral tongue hemiplegia, dysphagia, dysarthria Ipsilateral tongue paresthesia, dysphagia, dysgeusia, dysarthria Paralysis of lower lip depressor, cosmetic deformity, lower lip trauma
Level IIa	Spinal accessory N Hypoglossal N Great auricular N	Shoulder and neck ROM and strength Ipsilateral tongue hemiplegia, dysphagia, dysarthria Ipsilateral pinna paresthesia
Level IIb	Spinal accessory N	Shoulder and neck ROM and strength
Level III	Phrenic N Ansa cervicalis N	Hemi diaphragm paralysis/DOE, pneumonia Hyolaryngeal elevation
Level IV	Phrenic N Thoracic duct	Hemidiaphragm paralysis/DOE, pneumonia Chyle leak
Levels II-IV	Jugular vein Vagus N Cervical rootlets Sympathetic trunk Carotid artery	Lymphedema Ipsilateral vocal cord paralysis, dysphonia, aspiration Cervical paresthesia Horner's syndrome <sup>a</sup> TIA, stroke
Level V	Spinal accessory N <sup>b</sup> Brachial plexus Cervical rootlets	Shoulder and neck ROM and strength Hand and arm paresthesias and weakness, hand or arm paralysis, severe pain Cervical paresthesia

Abbreviations: DOE, dyspnea on exertion; N, nerve; ROM, range of motion; TIA, transient ischemic attack.

<sup>a</sup>Horner's syndrome: triad of ptosis, meiosis, and anhydrosis resulting from injury to the cervical sympathetic trunk.

<sup>b</sup>Increased shoulder impairment with dissection of this level.

## Complications

### 1) Wound infection, dehiscence

- avoid cross contamination w/ upper aerodigestive tract
- antibiotic prophylaxis
- incision planning
- gentle tissue handling
- meticulous closure
- eliminate dead spaces

### 2) Hemorrhage → expanding hematoma → Venolymphatic obstruction

routine examine superior thyroid A  
occipital A  
transverse cervical A  
facial A

→ SUPRAGLOTTIC  
EDEMA

### 3) IJV & Carotid Bleeding

### 4) Stroke

## 5) Nerve injuries

- S<sub>AN</sub>
- Marginal mandibular nerve
- Vagus
- Phrenic nerve
- Hypoglossal nerve
- Lingual nerve
- Brachial plexus & cervical esophagus
- Sympathetic chain

## 6) Chyle leak - Thoracic duct injury during (L) level IV dissection

↳ Intra-op dx - clip/tie/ligate

Post-op chyle leak - Drain monitoring  
Bed rest  
Avoid straining  
Stool softeners  
MCFA diet  
Octreotide

Persistent chyle leak -  $>500\text{ml/d}$  - explore surgically & ligate  
tissue adhesives  
- embolisation  
+ TPN

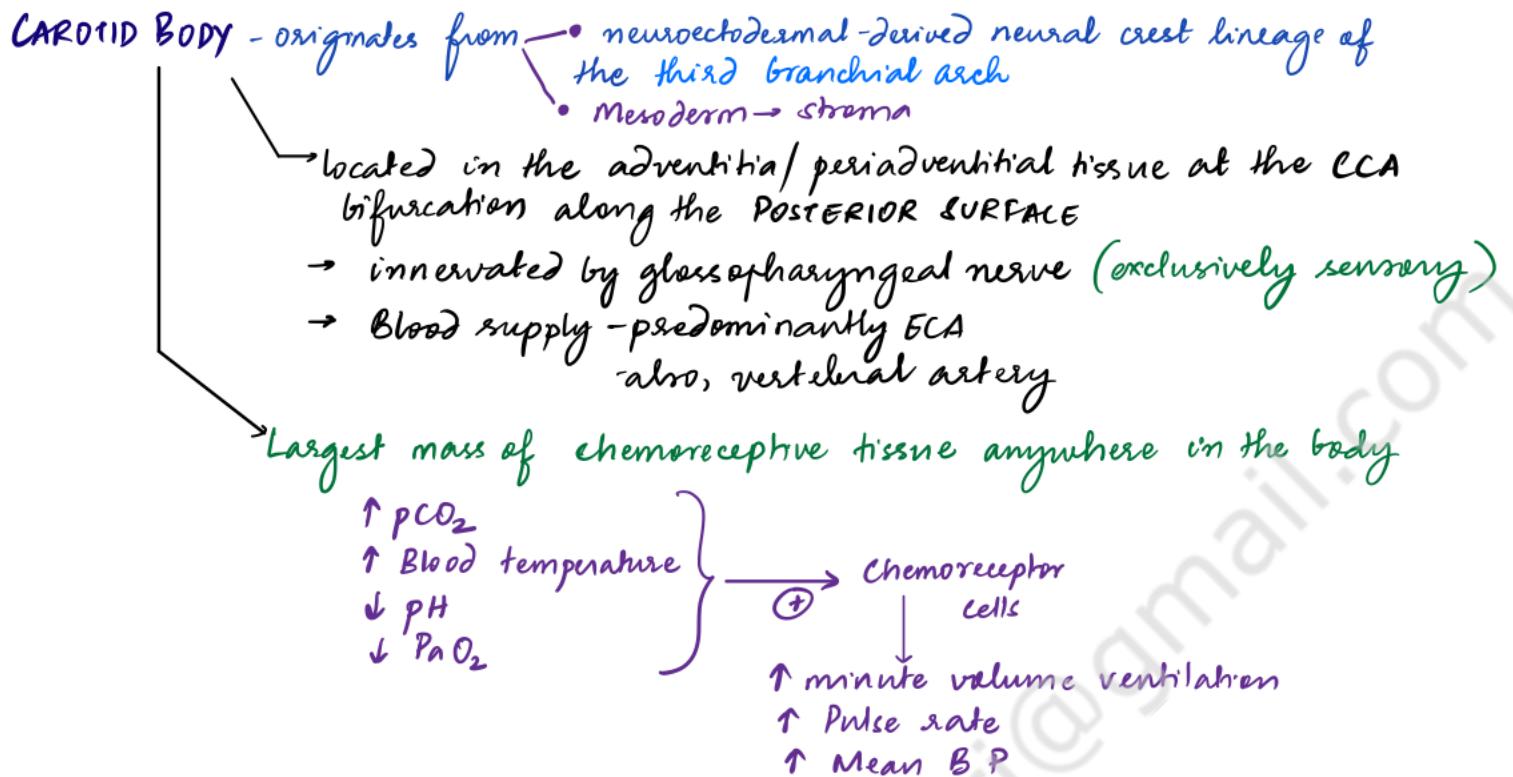
## 7) Venous air embolus

## 8) Pneumothorax - while dissecting near lung apices

## 9) Hypoparathyroidism / Hypocalcemia - in Central neck dissections

## 10) B/L IJV injury / ligation - Cerebral edema, Blindness Facial congestion

## CAROTID BODY TUMOR



**CAROTID BODY TUMORS** - belong to the paraganglioma family

**PARAGANGLIOMAS** - family of neoplastic tumors that can occur anywhere along the autonomic ganglia

- Neural crest ectoderm differentiates into chemoreceptor cells that migrate in close association with the autonomic ganglion cells.

PARAGANGLIOMAS	
<u>SYMPATHETIC</u>	<u>PARASYMPATHETIC</u>
Paravertebral thoracic sympathetic chain -	Posterior mediastinal paraganglioma
Retroperitoneal sympathetic nerve fibres	Retroperitoneal paraganglioma
Organ of Zuckerkandl -	Paraganglioma of Organ of Zuckerkandl
Sympathetic nerve fibres in pelvic organs	Urinary bladder paraganglioma
	Paraganglia in middle ear along Jacobson's N / Arnold's N
	Paraganglia in adventitia of jugular bulb
	Vagus - mlc nodose ganglion within carotid sheath
	Carotid body at CCA bifurcation
	Aortic-pulmonary paranganglia
	Anterior mediastinal paraganglioma

## CAROTID BODY TUMORS

- Rare tumors
- Sporadic > Hereditary
  - ↳ 10-35% - autosomal dominant
- Tumors vs Hyperplasia
  - ↓  
a/b hypoxia - COPD, congenital heart disease, high altitude  
(prolonged hypoxemia)
- 5th-7th decade

### Highly vascular tumors

Synthesize neuropeptides & enzymes → detected by SPECT

5-7% → malignant → risk max in young pk & family history

### SPREAD - locally invasive

- adventitia of adjacent carotid vessels - along posterior aspect of bifurcation
- widen the angle between ECA & ICA - 'Splaying' - 'Lyre' sign
- encase the main trunk & proximal tributaries of ECA (rarely involve ICA) - ? because ECA is the vascular supply to Carotid body.
- May spread to local lymph nodes → malignant

## Clinical features

- asymptomatic neck mass - near angle of mandible
- fixed mass (no longitudinal movement; mild side to side) - firm, smooth, lobulated
- transmitted carotid pulsations
- 30-40% → audible bruit
- Cranial nerve involvement - Hypoglossal N > Vagus > Laryngeal N > Symp. chain
  - ↓  
Horners syndrome
- Large tumors - extend to base of skull
  - bulge in lateral wall of oropharynx & deviation of soft palate
- TIA - rare (usually + if there is associated carotid plaque)

## INVESTIGATIONS

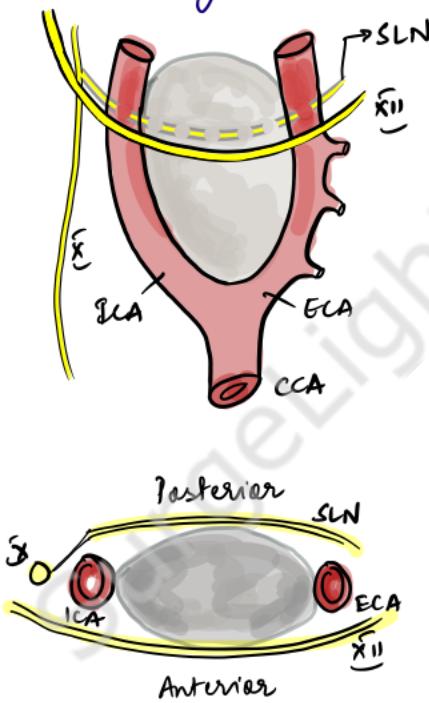
- Carotid **DUPLEX** - non invasive,
  - Selective Carotid angiography - Gold standard; but **INVASIVE**
    - can show presence of other concomitant cervical paragangliomas
    - pre-op embolization if necessary
  - demonstration of Carotid bifurcation
  - overall size, extent & **VASCULARITY** of tumor
  - major arterial supply of tumor
  - presence of **aberrant ascending cervical/vertebral artery branch**
  - demonstration of plaques in carotid
- MR/CT - recon gives very good picture  
- non invasive

## CLASSIFICATION

### GROUP I

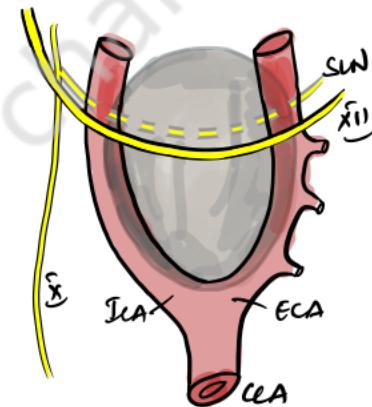
Tumors that can be freely dissected from the wall of the Carotid artery

generally  $< 5\text{cm}$



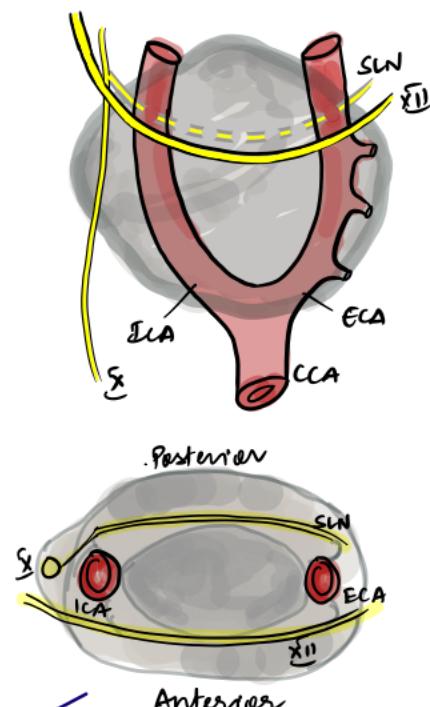
### GROUP II

Tumors that partially surround the circumference of the carotid artery



### GROUP III

Tumors intimately adherent to the entire circumference of carotid bifurcation



Generally require pre-operative embolization

## MANAGEMENT

- Surgical excision ± pre-operative embolisation of feeding vessels

Complications - Bleeding

Cerebrovascular complications

Crani nerve deficits

- Radiation therapy

### Adjunct

Pre-op radio

- Bulky

- Inoperable

### Primary RT

- Recurrent tumors

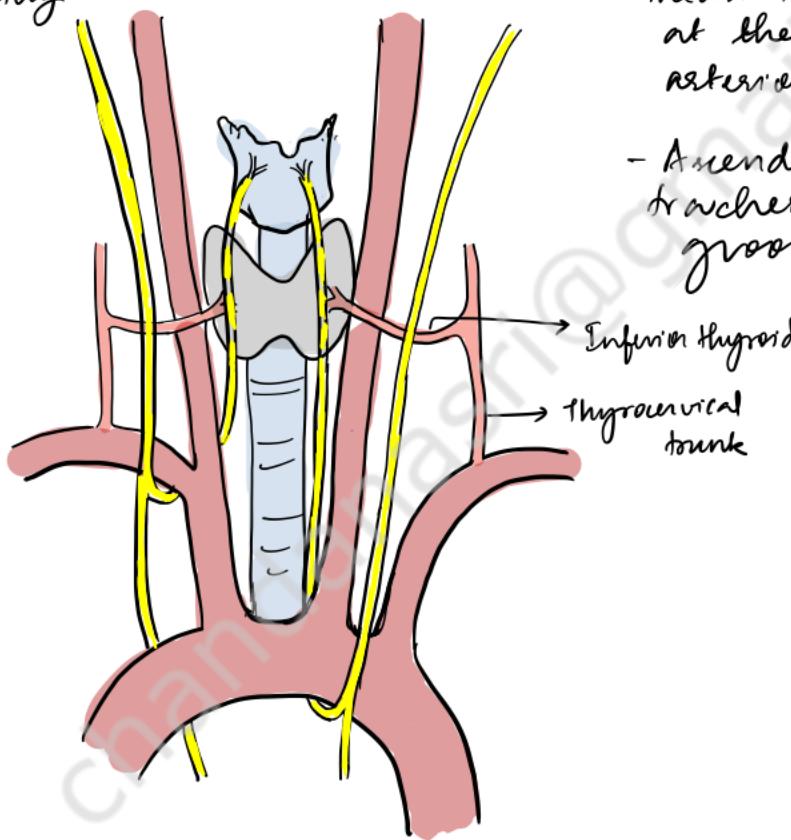
- Poor surgical candidates

# RECURRENT LARYNGEAL NERVE

Anatomy - Recurrent = retrace their path cranially after branching out from vagus

## RIGHT

- Arises from the vagus as it courses anterior to the subclavian artery
- Passes inferior and posterior to  $\textcircled{R}$  subclavian artery
- Ascends lateral to trachea in the tracheo-esophageal groove



## LEFT

- Arises from the vagus as it passes anterior to the arch of the aorta
- Passes inferior & postero-medial to the arch at the ligamentum arteriosum
- Ascends & enters tracheo-esophageal groove

- Along their course in the neck, the RLNs may branch, pass anterior/posterior to IIA or interdigitate with the branches of IIA

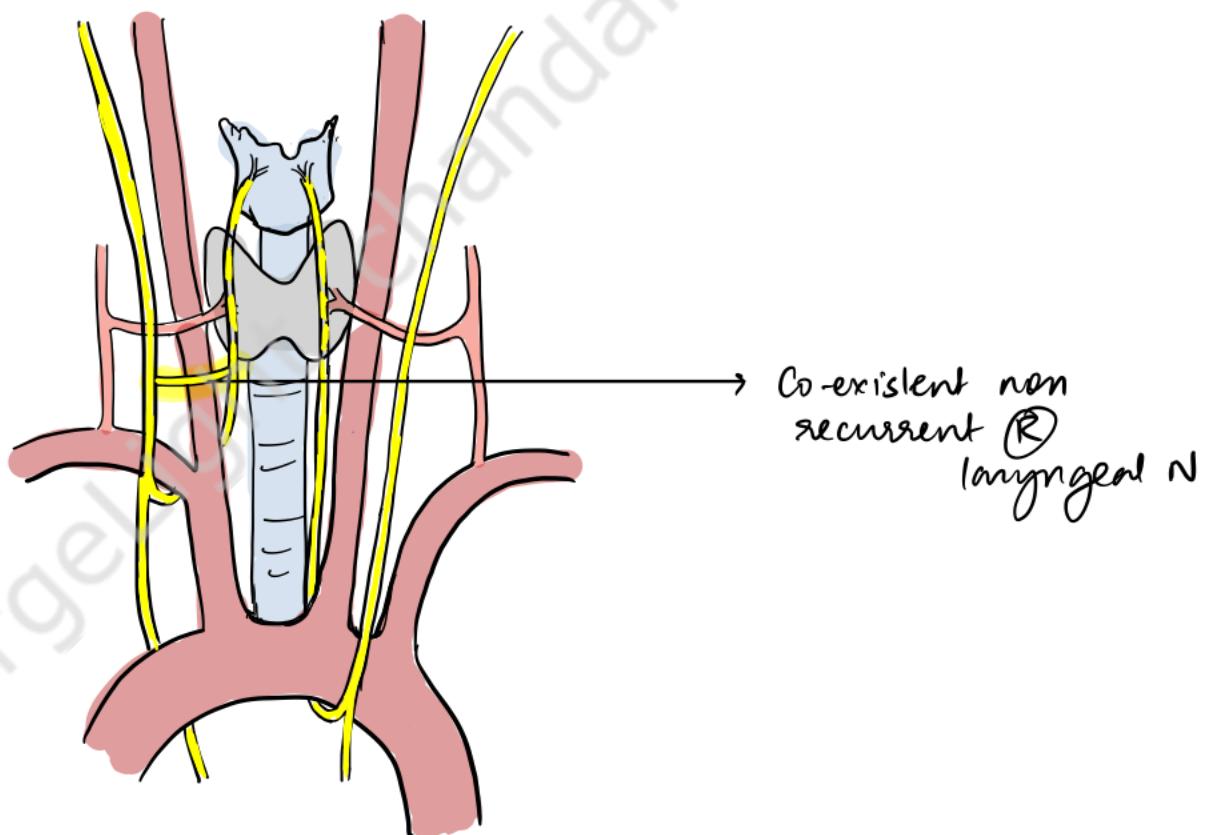
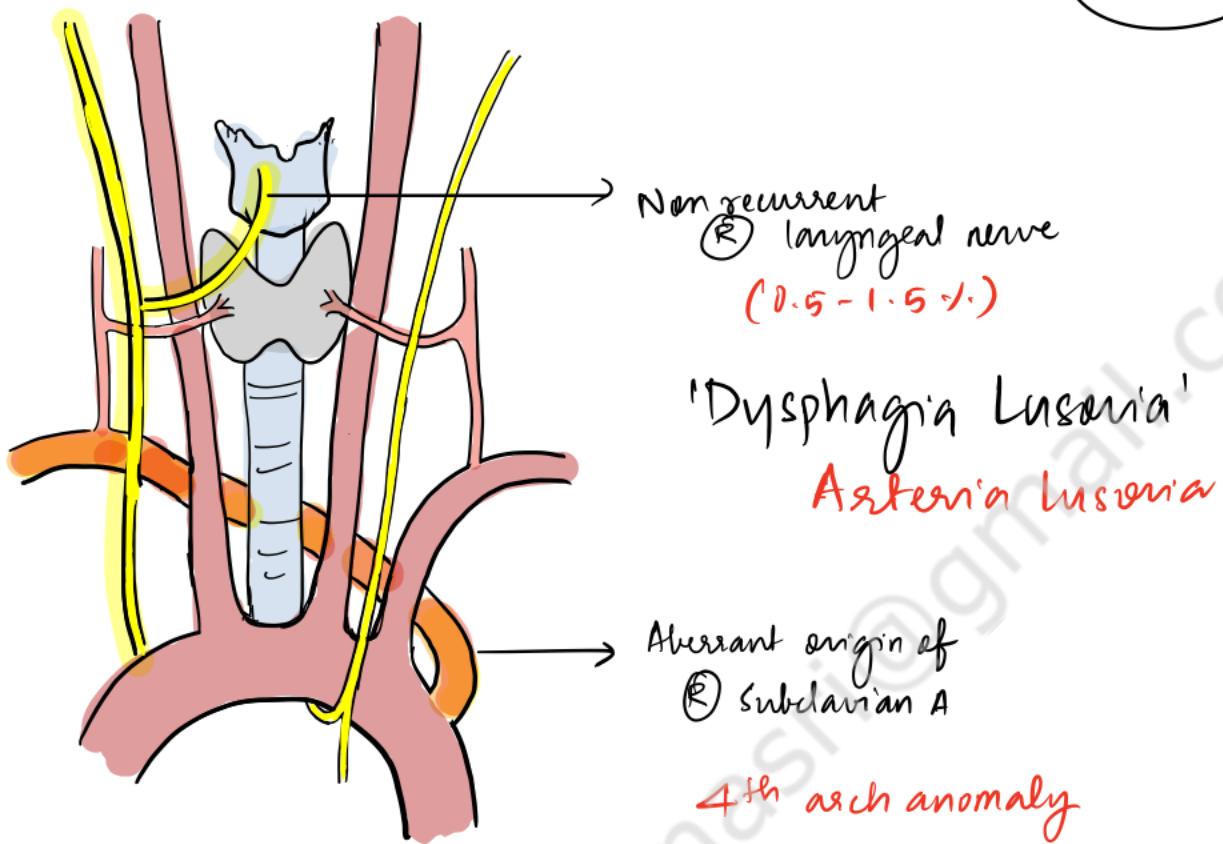
- Has mixed - motor, sensory & autonomic functions

intrinsic  
muscles of  
larynx  
 $\downarrow$   
except  
cricothyroid

Infraglottic  
larynx

Parasympathetic

RLN - anomalies - more common on the right

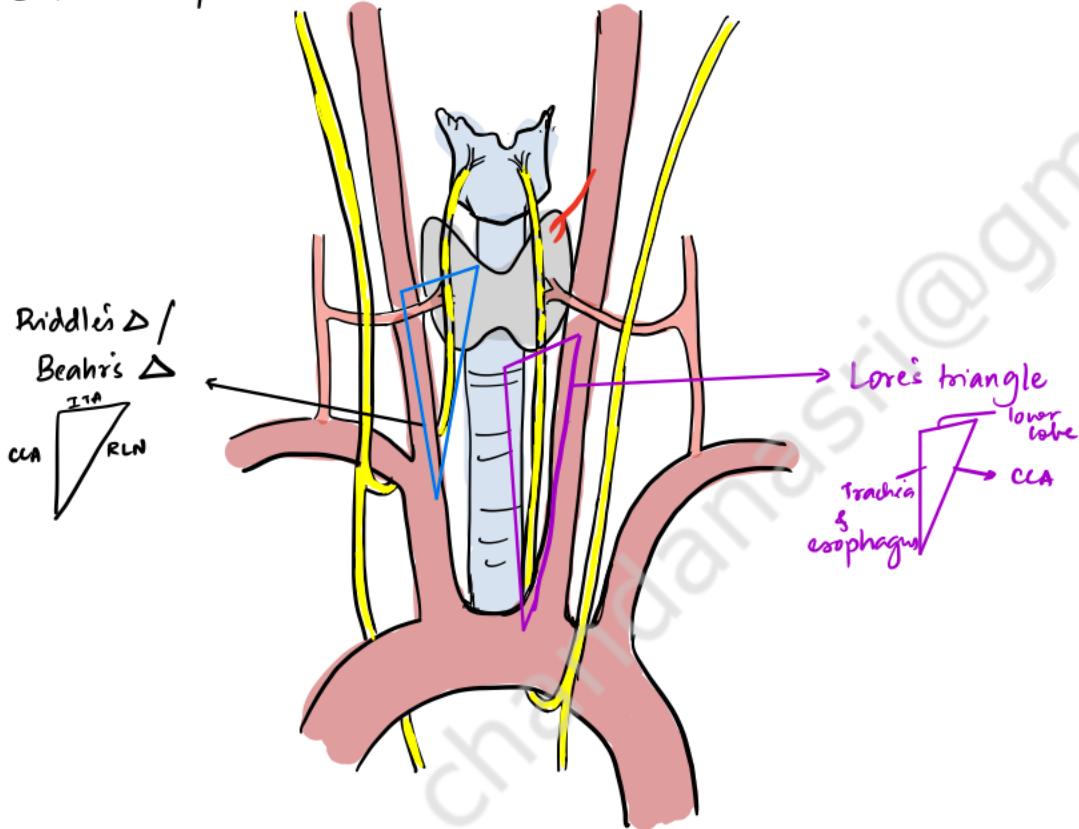


Non recurrent (D) RLN → a/i situs inversus  
(R) sided aortic arch

# Recurrent Laryngeal nerve injury

- RLN is most vulnerable to injury during the last 2-3cm of its course
- Intra-operative landmarks for RLN

Beahrs Δ / Riddell's Δ



Intra-operative nerve monitoring may also be used

INJURY

V/L → Asymptomatic

Mild voice change

↓  
Voice improves as contralateral cord compensates

B/L → Cords tend to lie in median / paramedian position  
↓  
DYSPNEA, STRIDOR

## SUPERIOR LARYNGEAL NERVES

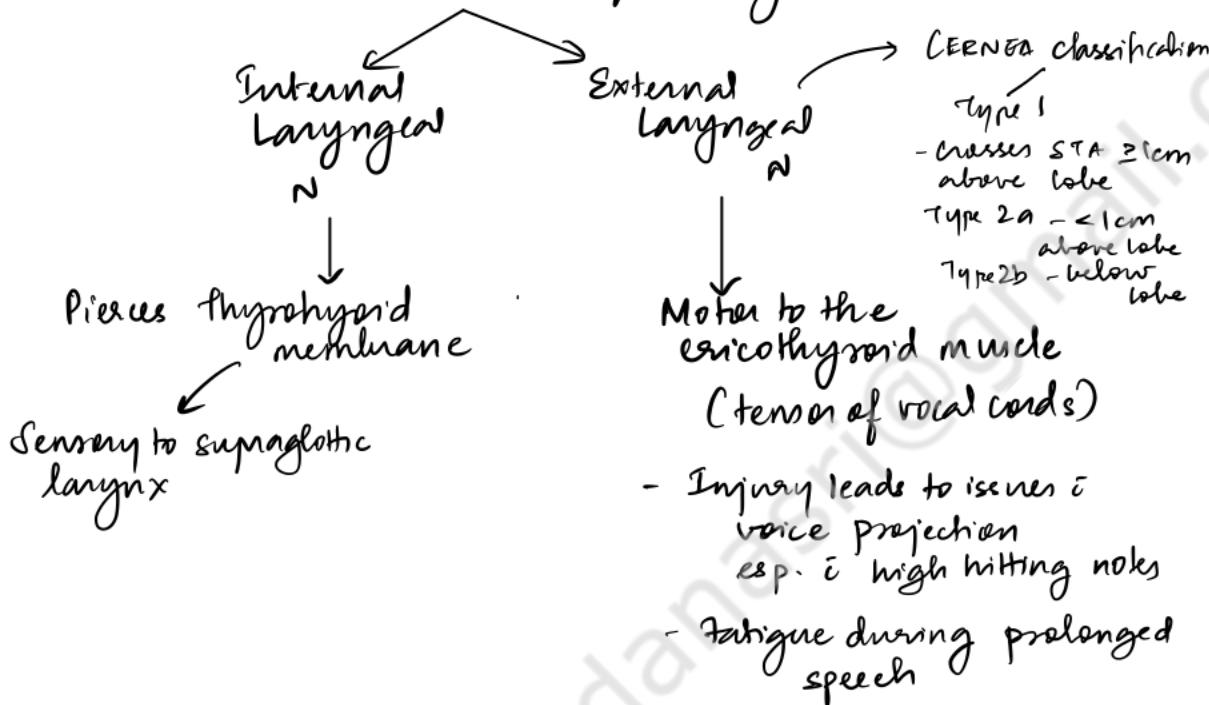
Branch out from the vagus at the skull base



Travel along internal carotid artery



Branch at the level of the hyoid bone



Joll's triangle - Level of thyroid cartilage



### INJURY

V/L → weak voice

B/L → very weak voice

Combined palsy -  $\Gamma_{V/L}$   
(RLN + ELN)

- Hoarseness
- aspiration

$\oplus_{V/L}$

Aphonia  
Aspiration  
Inability to cough  
Pneumonia

## LARYNGEAL MUSCLES

Intrinsic  
Extrinsic

All intrinsic laryngeal muscles (except cricothyroid) are innervated by RLN

External laryngeal Nerve

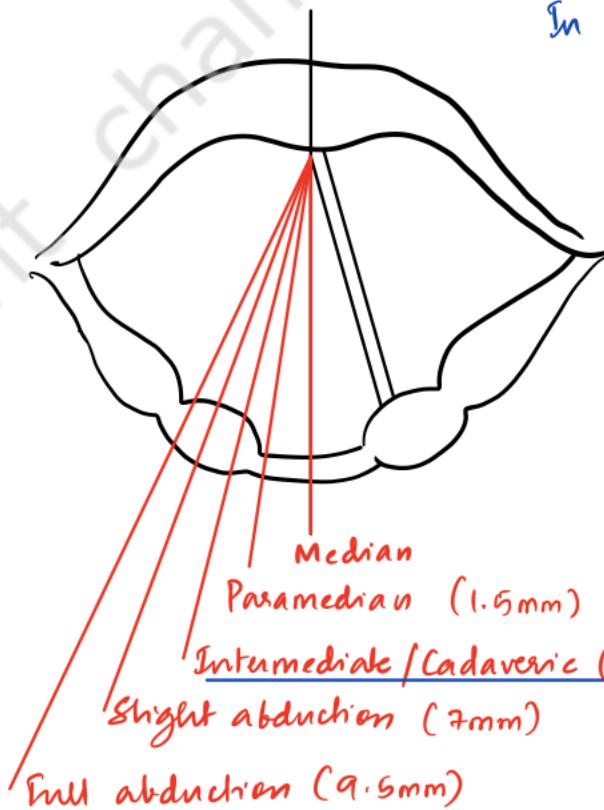
Acting on vocal cords

- Adductors  
Lateral cricoarytenoid  
Transverse arytenoid  
Thyroarytenoid
- Tensor  
Cricothyroid
- Abductor  
Posterior cricoarytenoid

Acting on laryngeal inlet

- Opener of laryngeal inlet  
Thyroarytenoid  
— Thyroepiglottic part
- Closers of laryngeal inlet  
Oblique arytenoid  
Aryepiglottic

## POSITIONS OF VOCAL CORDS



In RLN injury, cords tend to assume median/paramedian position because

- Semon's law - in organic lesions abductor fibres (phylogenetically older) tend to get affected earlier
- Wagner Grossman hypothesis  
Intact ELN  $\rightarrow$  intact cricothyroid  $\rightarrow$  adducts cords

} RLN palsy

Intermediate/Cadaveric (3.5mm)  $\rightarrow$  Paralysis of ELN + RLN

Neutral position of cricoarytenoid joint

## TREATMENT OF LARYNGEAL PALSY

1) Bl R LN palsy → Tracheostomy

→ Lateralisation of cord

1) Arytenoidectomy & fixation of VC laterally  
open  $\swarrow$  endoscopic

2) Thyroplasty

3) Cordectomy

4) Muscle transfer

↓  
Sternohyoid → posterior  
concoarytenoid  
(abduction)

2) Bl L ECN palsy

- To improve voice - thyroplasty iv  
→ tighten

Combined palsy

VL → Speech therapy

Medialisation of cord

- Injection of Teflon paste

- Thyroplasty I - medial displacement  
of cord

- Muscle / Cartilage implant

- Arthrodesis of crico arytenoid joint

B) L Combined surgery  
Tracheostomy  
Epiglottectomy  
Vocal cord plication  
Diversion procedures

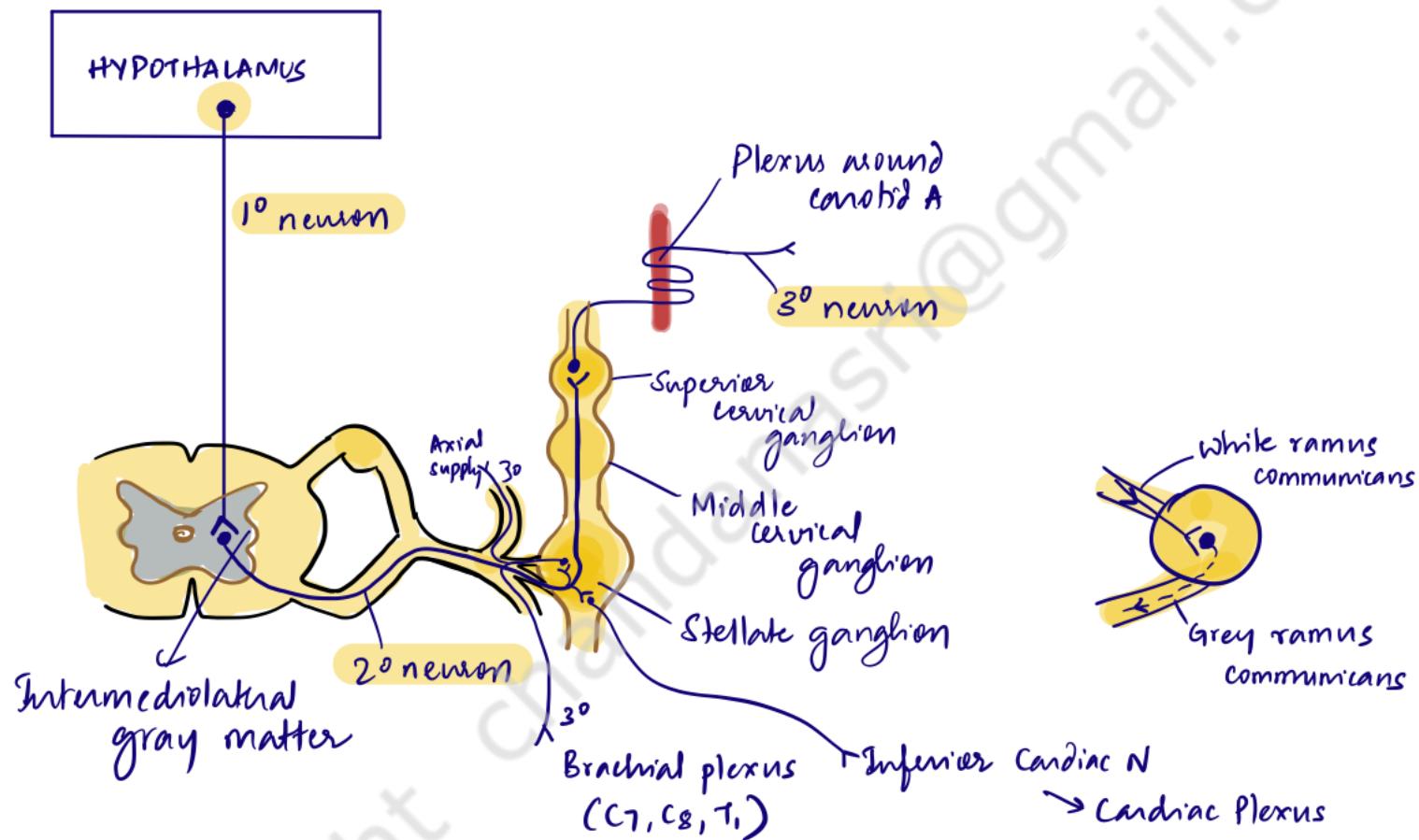
## STELLATE GANGLION

forms from the fusion of INFERIOR CERVICAL GANGLION & FIRST THORACIC SYMPATHETIC GANGLION  
 (+) in ~80% population

- Located anterior to the neck of FIRST RIB - sometimes anterior to C<sub>7</sub> transverse process

Posteriorly - longus colli  
 Laterally - constrictor A

### NEUROANATOMY



### APPLICATIONS

- Horner's Syndrome
- Pancoast tumor
- Stellate ganglion block for
  - or
- Cervical sympathectomy

Upper limb ischemia  
 Raynaud's disease  
 Chronic regional pain

Tinnitis / Meniere's disease

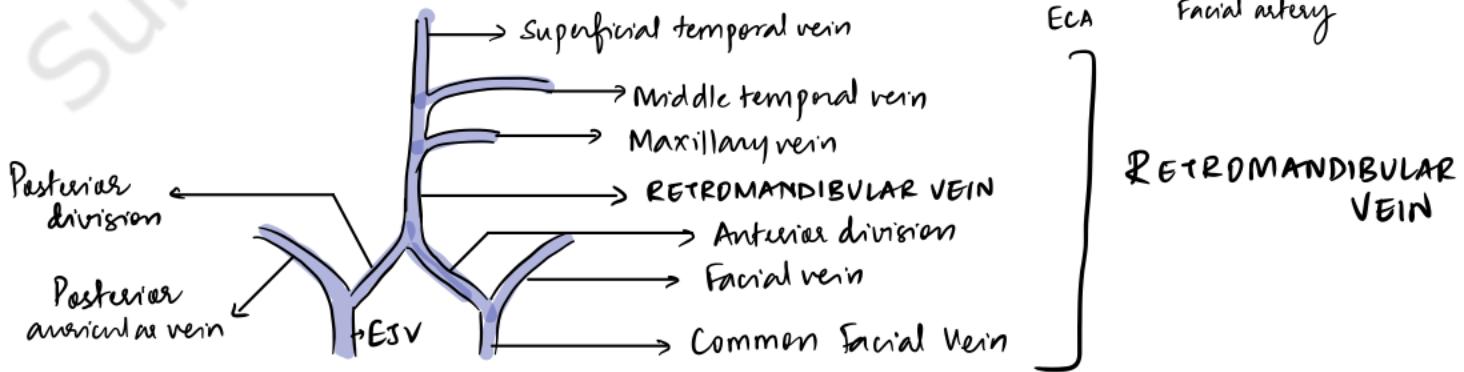
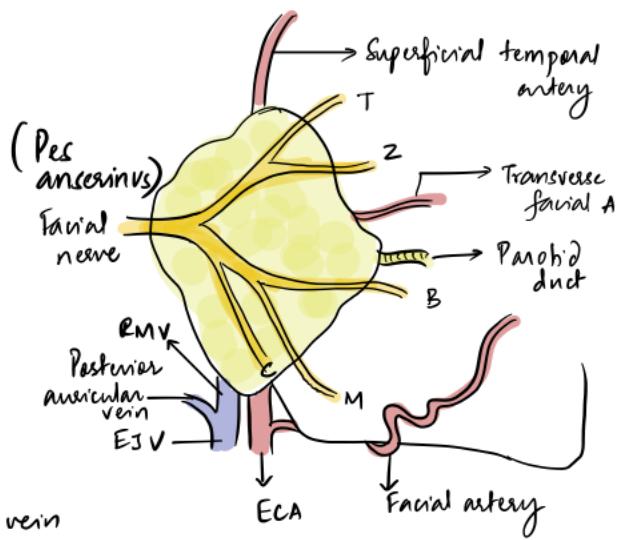
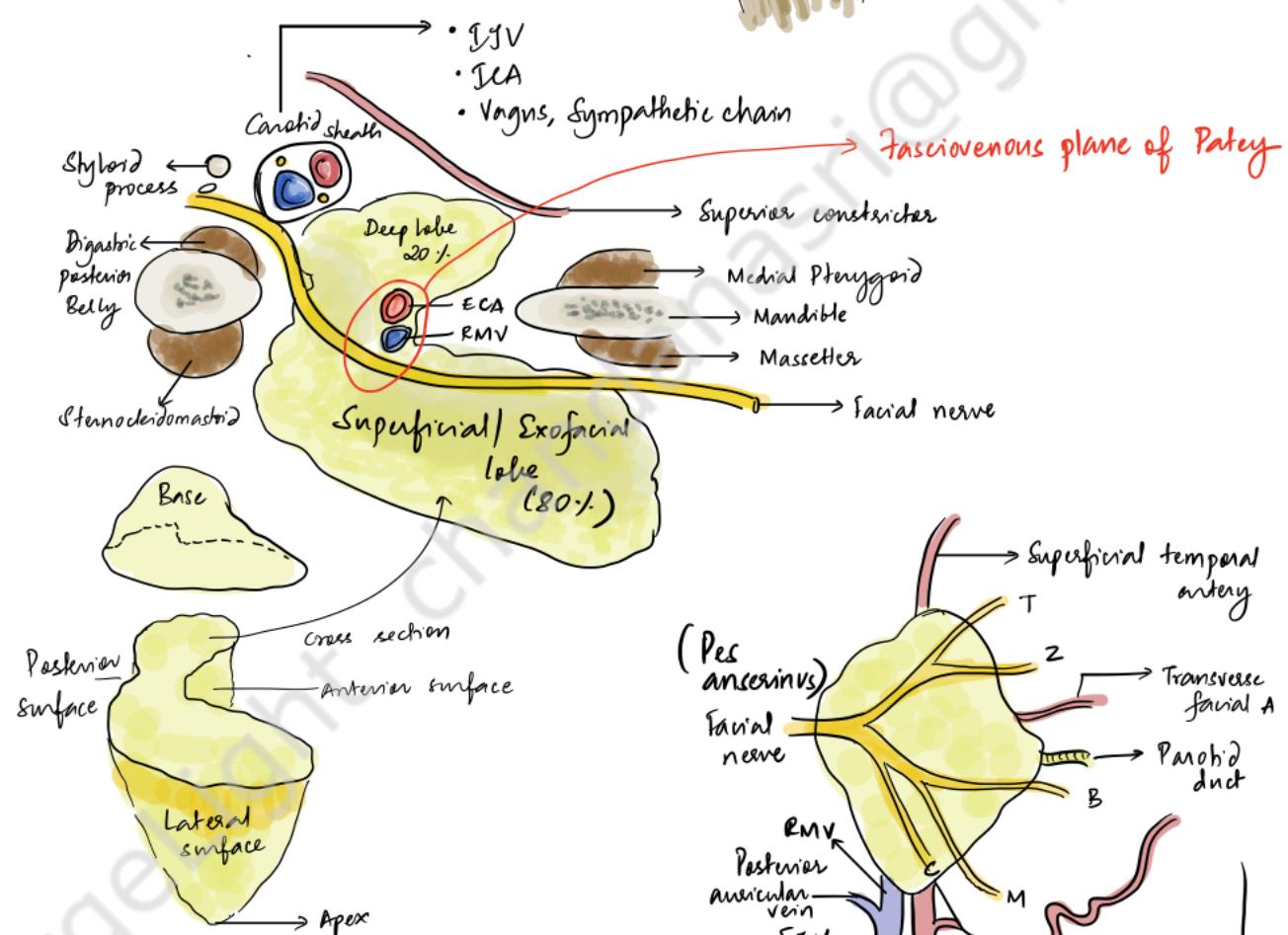
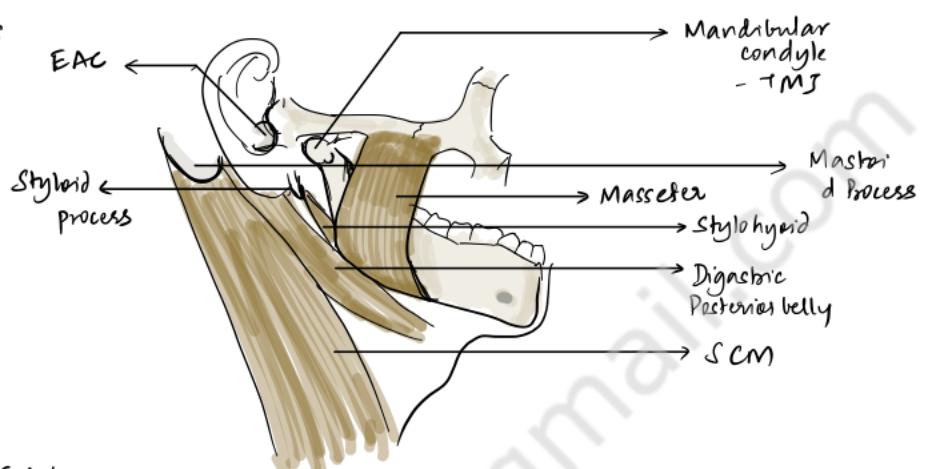
# SALIVARY GLANDS

**ANATOMY** (Ref: Mastery of Surgery - Fischer - 7E)

## PAROTID GLAND

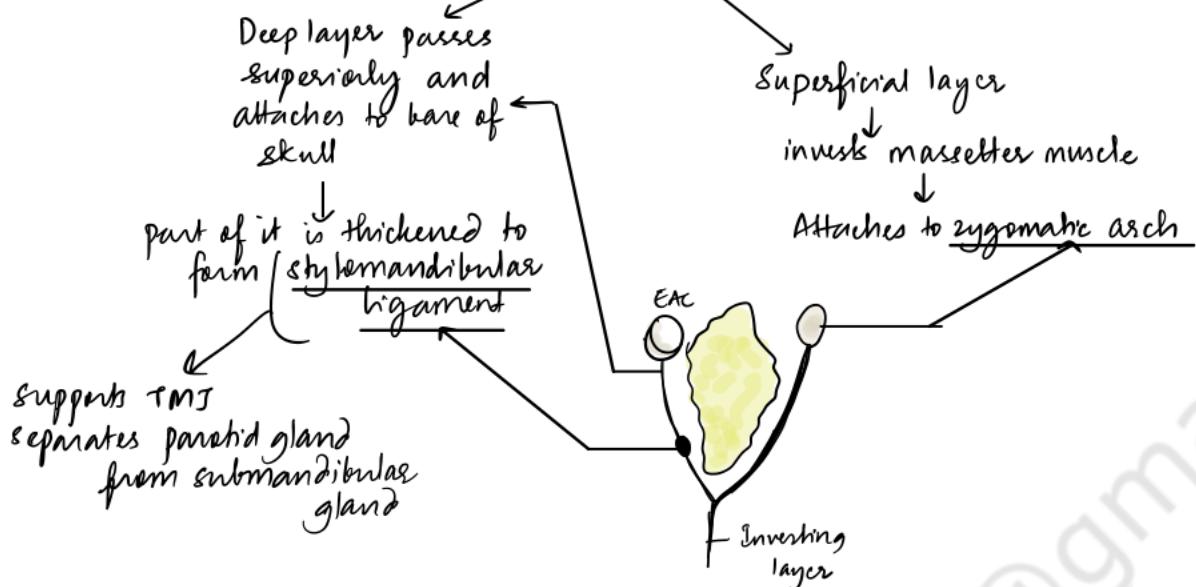
- Largest of the paired salivary glands
- Situated in the parotid space

Anteriorly : Mandibular ramus  
 Medially : Styloid process  
 Posteriorly : Mastoid process  
 Posterosuperiorly : EAC, TM



## FASCIAL RELATIONS

Parotid gland is encased by a split in the investing layer of Deep Cervical fascia



Skin over parotid gland is supplied by - Greater auricular nerve  
Auriculotemporal nerve

## PAROTID DUCT / Stensen's duct

- enveloped by the deep lobe of the parotid -  
only small ductules connect superficial lobe & duct

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1002/ca.20011>

- ~ 5 cm long
- lies on the superficial surface of the masseter ~ 1 cm below the zygomatic arch  
(transverse facial artery is interposed between duct & arch)
- when the duct reaches the anterior margin of the masseter, it turns sharply, pierces the **BUCINATOR**  
terminates in the vestibule of oral cavity opposite the **UPPER 2ND MOLAR**

## NEUROVASCULAR RELATIONS



ARTERIAL PLANE : ECA enters parotid space after passing deep to digastric (Post belly)

Pierces medial surface of parotid gland

AT MANDIBULAR CONDYLE

gives off posterior auricular artery

terminal branches → STA → MA

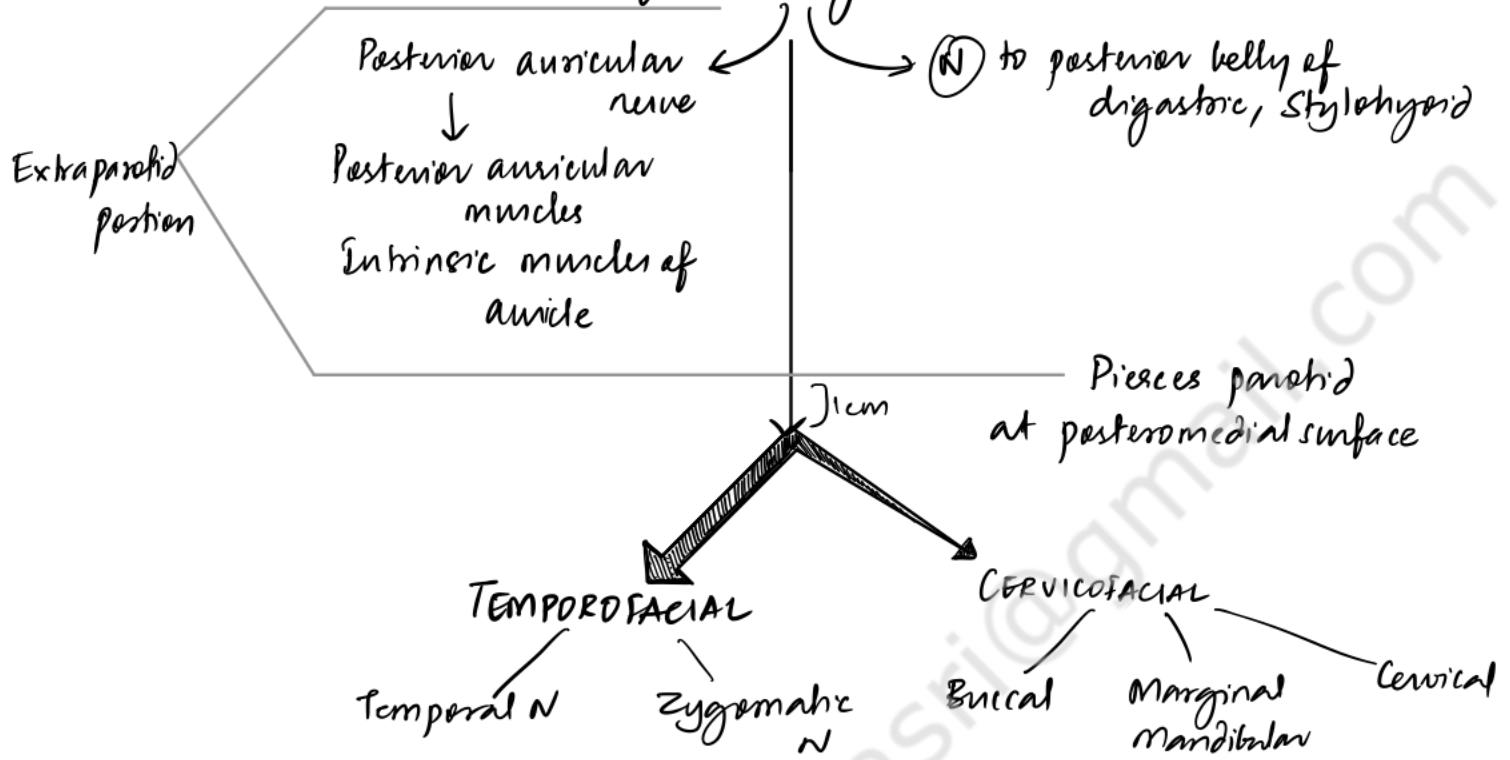
stylehyoid branch

Enters stylehyoid foramen

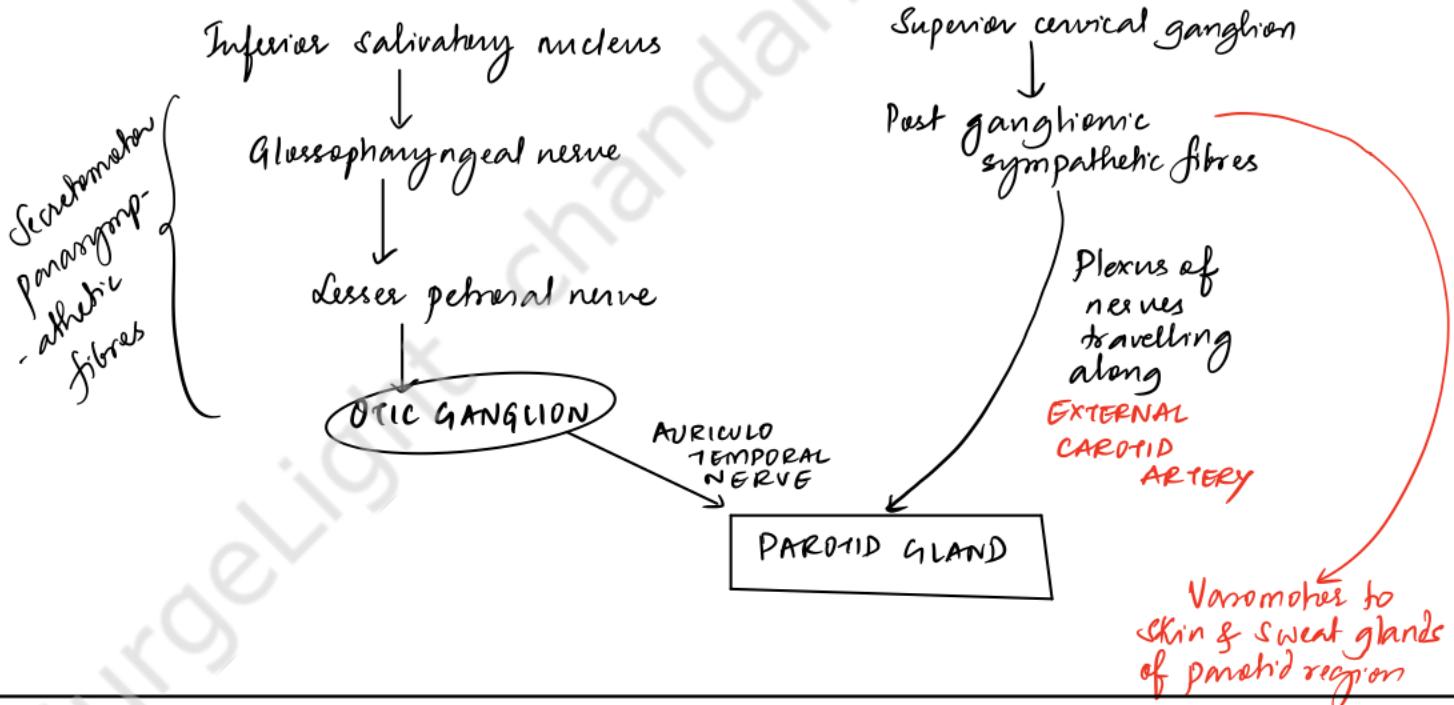
lies superficial to Facial nerve

VENOUS PLANE - Superficial to arterial plane → includes RMV & its branches

NERVE PLANE → Facial nerve - after exiting stylomastoid foramen



#### AUTONOMIC INNERVATION



#### LYMPHATIC DRAINAGE

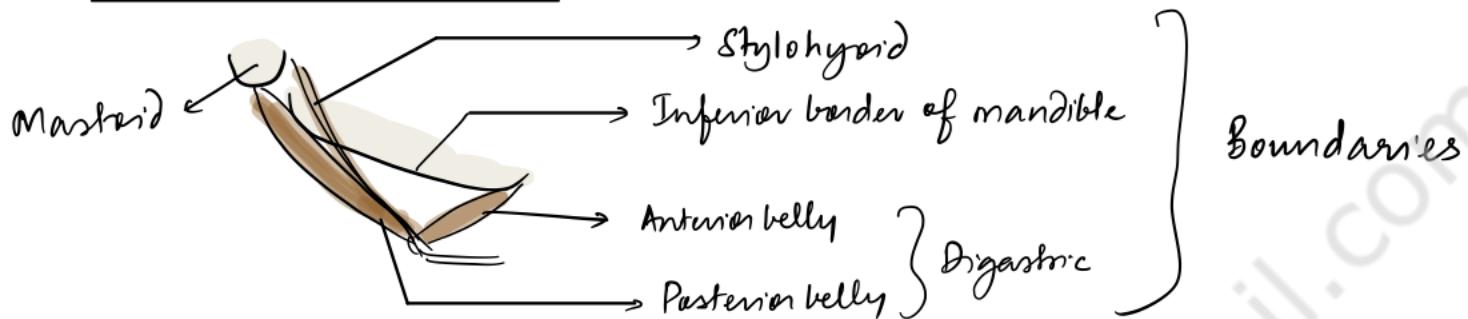
Precervical nodes → Superficial nodes in superficial fascia → drawn into superficial system of cervical nodes  
 outside gland but beneath fascia → 'SUBPAROTID NODES'  
 Nodes within parotid fascia → Deep cervical nodes → Inginal chain

There are several lymphoid follicles & 4-10 lymphnodes in the substance of the parotid gland (LNs along posterior facial vein & EJV)

## SUBMANDIBULAR GLAND

Lies in the submandibular (digastric) triangle

### SUBMANDIBULAR TRIANGLE



### Muscular floor

- 1) Mylohyoid
- 2) Hyoglossus
- 3) Inferior portion of Superior constrictor
- 4) Superior portion of Inferior constrictor

### Fascial coverings

Fascial envelope → investing layer of deep cervical fascia

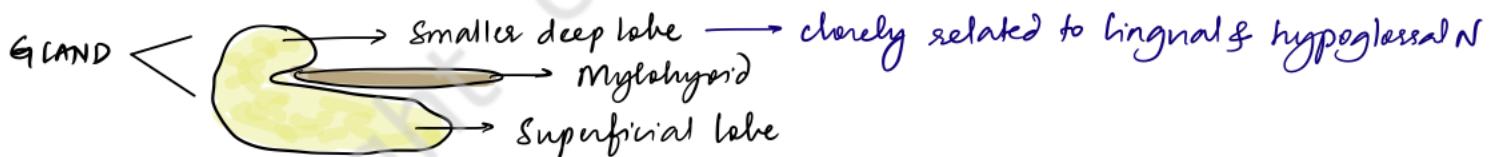
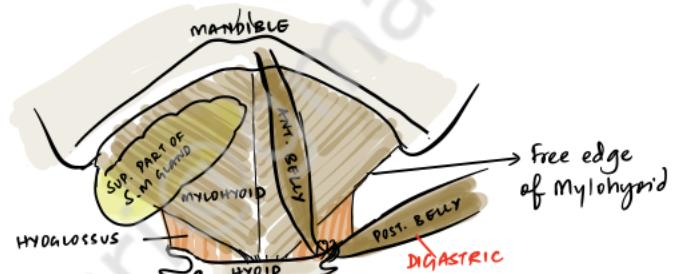
splits to enclose submandibular gland

Superficial layer

Attaches to inferior edge of mandible

Deep layer

inner aspect of mandible  
just below attachment of mylohyoid



Submandibular / Wharton's duct - passes medial to deep lobe & ends in floor of mouth lateral to frenulum via sublingual papilla

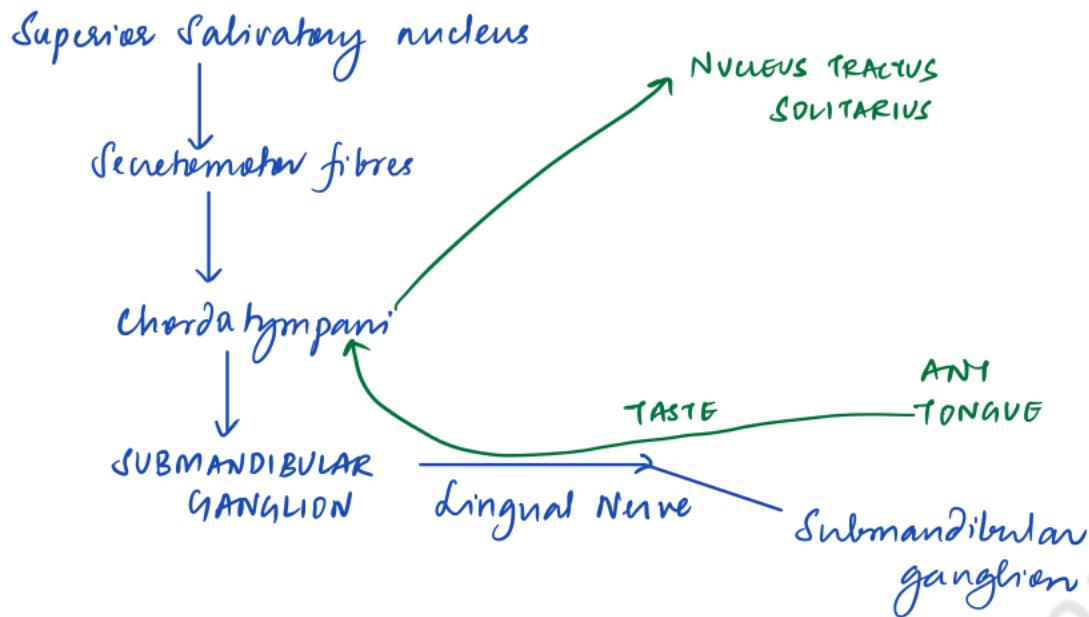
### Neurovascular relations

- Superficial to Submandibular gland -
- 1) Cervical branch of facial nerve
  - 2) Distal end of anterior facial vein
  - 3) Anterior branch of RMV

Between Submandibular gland & mylohyoid

- 1) Facial artery
- 2) Mylohyoid nerve
- 3) Mylohyoid vessels

Lingual nerve passes through interval between HYOGLOSSUS & MYLOHYOID turns medially, loops around submandibular duct supplies tongue → general sensation over ant 2/3rds



## LYMPHATIC DRAINAGE

Horizontal & vertical systems → deep cervical nodes along IJV  
 ↓  
 Level II

## **SUBLINGUAL GLAND**

- Found in the floor of the mouth between Geniohyoid and Mandible
- Smallest of the paired salivary glands

- Ducts

Multiple ducts which directly empty into floor of mouth

Ducts which drain into submandibular duct

Submandibular duct  
 Lingual nerve  
 Lingual veins  
 Hypoglossal nerve

} Medial to Sublingual gland

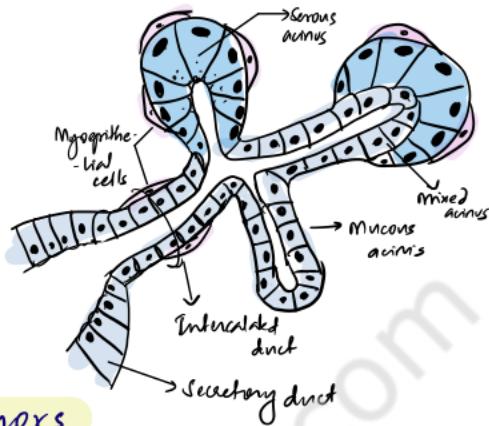
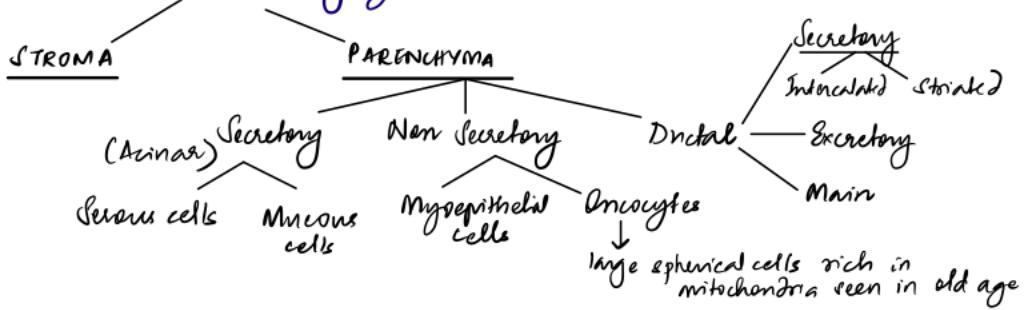
## **MINOR SALIVARY GLANDS**

- Oral mucosa contains ~800 minor salivary glands
  - ↳ LIPS, CHEEK, PALATE, FOM, RMT
- other areas - upper aerodigestive tract - oropharynx, larynx, trachea, sinuses

} Mucus secreting  
 - Contribute ~10% of salivary volume

# SALIVARY GLAND TUMORS

## Cells in salivary glands:



## WHO classification of Salivary Gland tumors

### ① EPITHELIAL TUMORS

#### ADENOMA

- 1) Pleomorphic adenoma
- 2) Monomorphic adenoma
  - Adenolymphoma
    - Warthin's tumor
    - Oncocytoma
    - Basal cell adenoma
    - Canalicular adenoma
    - Myoepithelioma

#### CARCINOMA

##### LOW GRADE

low grade  
mucoepidermoid  
carcinoma

Acinic cell  
carcinoma

- High grade mucoepidermoid Ca
- Adenoid cystic carcinoma
- Squamous cell carcinoma
- Carcinoma ex pleomorphic adenoma
- Adenocarcinoma
- Anaplastic carcinoma
- Malignant lymphoepithelioma (ESKIMOCA)

##### HIGH GRADE

#### Non epithelial -

Hemangioma Neurofibroma  
Lymphangioma Neurilemmoma

#### Lymphomas

- 1° - NHL
- 2° - Lymphoma in Sjögren's 80%

#### Secondaries

- Local - H & N
- Distant - skin, bronchus

#### Unclassified

#### Tumor-like lesions

##### Solid

- Benign adenomatoid hyperplasia
- Benign lymphoepithelial lesion

##### Cystic

- Salivary gland cysts

## AJCC 8 - Staging of tumors of Major Salivary Glands

T

Tx - can't be assessed

T0 - no cfo 1°

Tis - in situ

T1 - ≤ 2cm, no extraparenchymal extension

T2 - 2-4cm, no extraparenchymal extension

T3 < 2cm

any size if extraparenchymal extension

T4a - invades skin, mandible, ear canal, facial nerve

T4b - invades skull base, pterygoid plates, carotid A

N

Nx - can't be assessed

No - no regional LN mets

N1 - single, ipsilateral, < 3cm

N2a - single, ipsilateral 3-6cm

N2b - multiple, ipsilateral < 6cm

N2c - BI/L/Contralateral < 6cm

N3a - > 6cm

N3b - ENE+ in any node

M

Mo - No distant mets

M1 - Distant mets (?)

#### STAGE GROUPING

0 - Tis No Mo

I - T1 No Mo

II - T2 No Mo

III - T3 No Mo

T0,1,2,3 N1, Mo

IV A - T4a No,1 Mo

T0-4a, N2 Mo

IV B - Any T N3 Mo

T4b Any N Mo

IV C - Any T Any N M1

- m/c site of salivary gland tumors - Parotid - ~70% salivary gland tumors
  - 10-20% - Minor salivary glands
  - 8-10% - submandibular glands
  - <1% - Sublingual glands
- 80% benign - 20% malignant
- 90% Minor salivary gland tumors are malignant ; 50% submandibular-Malign
- Rule of 80's : 80% parotid tumors - BENIGN
  - 80% parotid tumors - Pleomorphic adenomas
  - 80% salivary pleomorphic adenomas - parotid
  - 80% parotid pleomorphic adenomas - superficial lobe

Salivary neoplasms- only 3-4% of all Head and neck neoplasms

### PAROTID TUMORS

- Parotid - m/c site for salivary tumors
- m/c arise in superficial lobe - 'below, behind & in front of ear → upper neck'
  - lifts up ear lobe
  - 'Curtain sign'
- Limited mobility, fixity to skin / bone → f/s/o malignancy
- Deep lobe - parapharyngeal mass → difficulty in swallowing, snoring  
(Retrotarsillar)
- Facial nerve palsy - rare presenting complaints → indicates malignancy
- Advanced malignancies invading parapharyngeal space → affect CN
  - IX to XII
  - sympathetic chain
- Mandibular nerve involvement - when tumor tracks along auriculotemporal nerve to skull base. → pain

### Investigations

- VSG - initial assessment , for guided FNAC
- CT - cortical bone involvement
- MRI - Deep lobe extension, marrow infiltration, perineural spread, facial nerve
  - MR spectroscopy - Benign vs Malignant ; Pleomorphic adenoma vs Warthin's
- FNAC

## BENIGN TUMORS

### PLEOMORPHIC ADENOMA

m/c salivary gland tumor

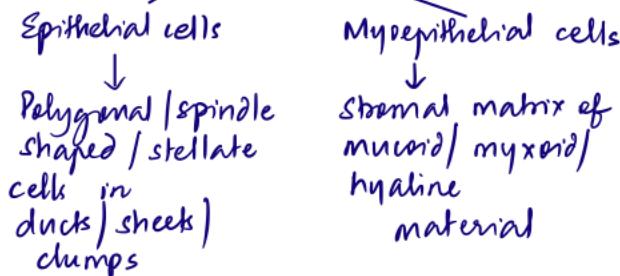
~5<sup>th</sup> decade

F > M

Superficial lobe

Aneuploidy

- "Mixed tumor"
- Dual origin



- areas of squamous metaplasia  
epithelial pearls
- fibrous pseudocapsule
- Pseudopodia → extensions of the tumor into glandular parenchyma as finger like projections  
→ Recurrence

Risk of malignant transformation to CARCINOMA EX PLEOMORPHIC ADENOMA  
(9.5% risk in 15y - ↑ over time) (Malignant Mixed Tumor)

### Management

Surgery - TOC - Superficial parotidectomy

↓ Total parotidectomy

Extracapsular Dissection is non-inferior in managing benign tumors ↓ incidence of Frey's & facial palsy

Enucleation - recurrence rate of 20-45%.

### WARTHIN'S TUMOR

Syn: Papillary Cystadenoma Lymphomatosum / Monomorphic adenoma / Adenolymphoma

#### Theories

- 1) Develops from HETEROTOPIC SALIVARY DUCTS trapped within INTRAPAROTID / PARAPAROTID lymphoid tissue
- 2) Epithelial proliferation → incites a concomitant lymphocytic response  
Suggests NON-INTRANODAL OCCURRENCE

- 2nd most common salivary gland tumor, Malignant change < 1%

- m/c Bilateral tumor

- m/c site is parotid → tail of parotid, ~10% → deep lobe

- M > F ; SMOKERS ; older age, obesity

Warthin's tumor concentrates Tc 99m → scintigraphy feasible (Oncocytomas also)

APPEARANCE: Cysts: lined by papillary proliferation of bilayered oncocytic epithelium : basaloid cells  
stroma : lymphocytes → : germinal centres & mantle zones

Rx - Superficial parotidectomy (Recurrences almost unknown)

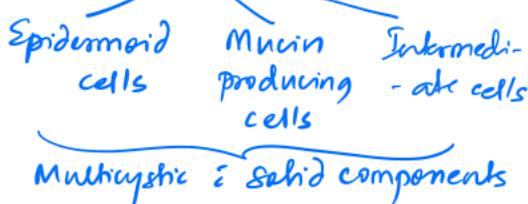
## MALIGNANT TUMORS

### MUCOEPIDERMOID CARCINOMA

m/c salivary malignancy (35% of all salivary malignancies)  
50% occurs in major salivary glands

m/c parotid malignancy

#### Appearance



GRADES - Low / Intermediate / High

↓  
Based on

- 1) Necrosis - 2
- 2) Neural invasion - 2
- 3) Anaplasia - ④
- 4) > 4 mitoses/hpf - 3
- 5) < 20% cystic - 2  
(More solid = high grade)

0-4 → low grade

5,6 → Intermediate

≥ 7 → High grade

Rx: low grade -  
Sup/Total Cerv pnode/day

High grade -

Pnnodeectomy + ND + RT

### ADENOID CYSTIC CARCINOMA

- 2nd m/c salivary malignancy
- m/c malignancy of minor salivary glands
- ~22% of salivary gland tumors
- Perineural spread (⊕)
- Hematogenous spread (⊕)
- ↓ lymphatic spread (~20-25%)
- Long indolent period & sudden spikes of growth

#### HISTOLOGY

Classical / Cribriform	Tubular	Solid / Basaloid
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m/c recurrence

#### Grade

Low - Cribriform / tubular  
Intermediate - 30-70% Solid  
High - > 70% Solid

5-6<sup>th</sup> decade

M > F

slow growing but aggressive

#### Rx:

Total radical / conservative parotidectomy

Squamous cell carcinoma - m/c - deposits from SCC elsewhere (metastatic)  
m/c site of 1<sup>o</sup> - Temporal region

Anaplastic carcinoma - appears late in life

- behaves aggressively

### ADENOCARCINOMA

Acinic cell carcinoma

Polymorphous low grade adenocarcinoma

al: Pleomorphic adenoma

- m/c variant
- invasive & aggressive

1) Indolent low grade neoplasms

2) Women > Men

3) Variant:

- microcystic (m/c)
- Papillary
- Follicular
- Medullary

Rx:

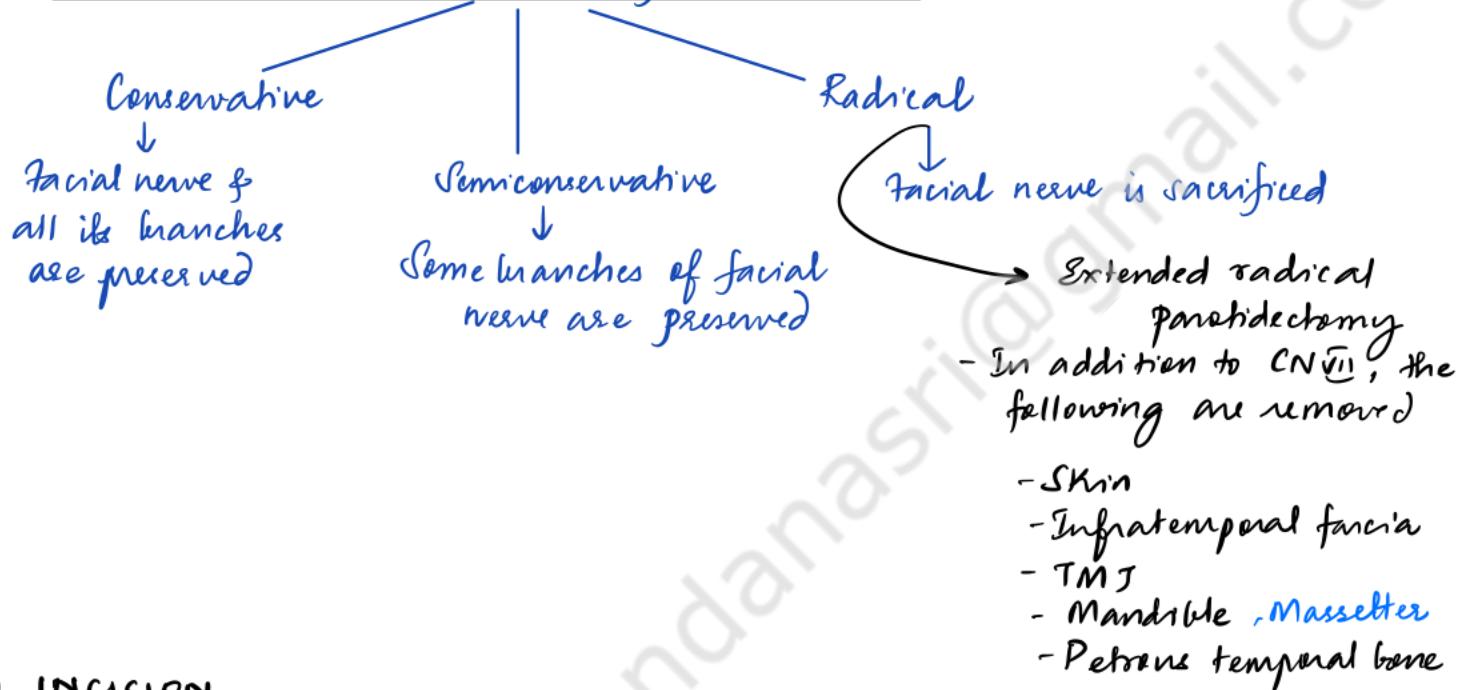
Superficial / Total conservative / Radical parotidectomy

## PAROTID SURGERIES

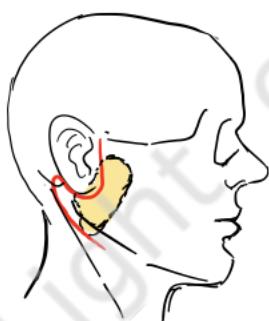
- Based on extent of Parenchymal excision



- Based on attitude towards facial nerve



### ① INCISION



Modified Blair / Lazy-S incision

- Preauricular - mastoid - cervical incision
- Skin flap raised - anteriorly, just above the plane of parotid fascia upto anterior border of the gland
  - posteriorly upto anterior border of SCM

### ② MOBILIZATION OF THE GLAND

↓  
2 avascular planes

Along anterior border of SCM upto anterior aspect of mastoid till posterior belly of digastric seen

- Elective transection of Greater auricular nerve
- Post. auricular N preserved

Along anterior border of body and cartilaginous EAM immediately anterior to tragus

Connected to free the posterior margin of the gland to allow identification of facial nerve trunk

### ③ IDENTIFICATION OF THE FACIAL NERVE TRUNK

Anterograde method

(Trunk → Branches)



Identification of the nerve trunk  
after its exit from stylomastoid  
foramen

Retrograde method

(Branches → Trunk)



useful in cases of reoperation  
and post RT status if c/o  
extensive fibrosis in  
surgical field



One of the main branches is  
identified and traced upto  
the trunk

#### LANDMARKS

1) CONLEY'S TRAGAL POINTER - inferior  
portion of the cartilaginous canal  
- facial nerve lies 1cm deep and  
inferior to the tip

2) Upper border of POSTERIOR BELLY OF DIGASTRIC  
- immediately superior

3) STYLOMAMMAL FISSURE

4) STYLOID PROCESS - facial  $\textcircled{N}$  is superficial  
to it

5) MASTOID PROCESS - drilled to ID the nerve  
more proximally

1) Buccal branch - in relation  
to the parotid duct

2) Marginal mandibular branch  
in relation to facial vessels

Watch for bleeding d/t injury to stylomastoid artery  
(immediately lateral to the nerve)

### ④ DISSECTION OF GLANDULAR TISSUE OFF THE FACIAL NERVE

Dissect in the perineural plane immediately over the nerve

↓  
Create a 'tunnel' → lay it open → proceed from trunk to  
periphery

Except for buccal branch, any other branch, if transected, must  
be repaired immediately w/ a cable graft from  
greater auricular nerve

### ⑤ CLOSURE : suction drain

## COMPLICATIONS OF PAROTID SURGERY

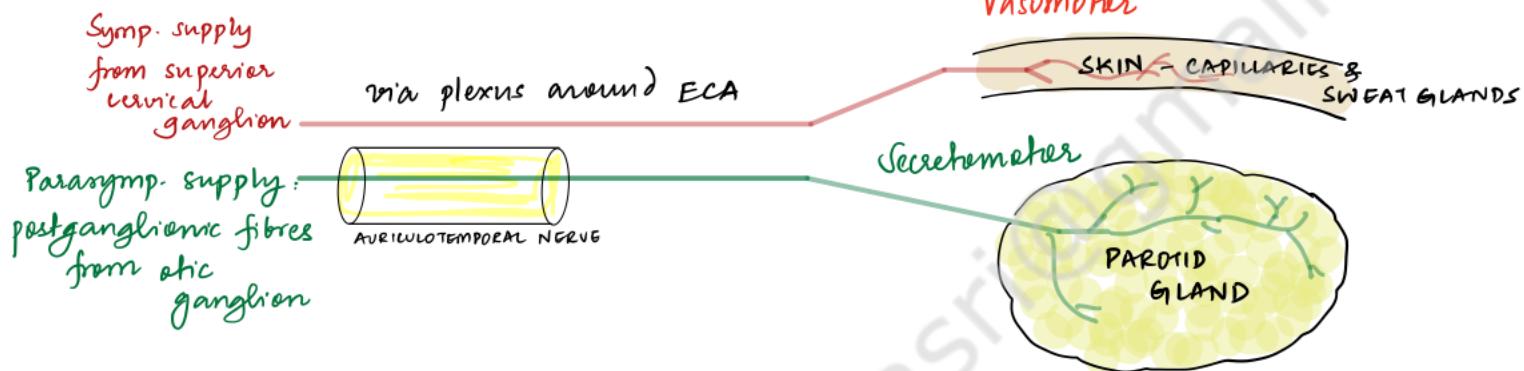
- Hematoma
- Sialocele / Seroma
  - Raw gland surface - collection of saliva / leakage of saliva from wound
- Rx - Drainage
  - Pressure dressing
  - Botox → ↓ release of acetylcholine from post-ganglionic parasympathetic fibres
- Deformity - Facial scar, zethromandibular hollowing can be remedied
  - by local rotation of the posterior belly of digastric
  - by abdominal fat graft
- Ear lobe numbness
  - due to injury / sacrifice of Greater auricular nerve
  - may decrease over time
- Facial numbness
  - cutaneous denervation due to extensive raising of thin flaps
- Infection
- Flap necrosis
- FACIAL NERVE INJURY
- FREY'S SYNDROME
- Recurrence

## FREY'S SYNDROME

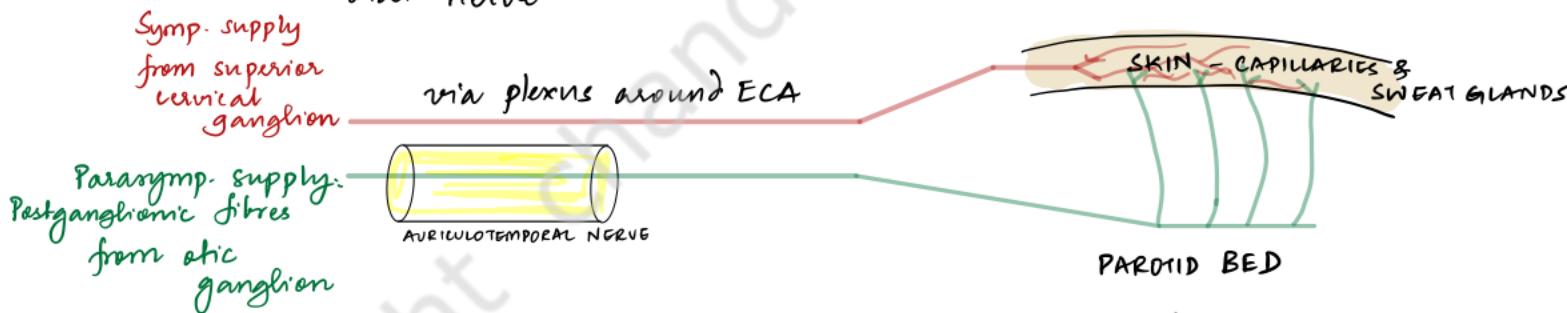
'Gustatory sweating' - sweating & erythema over the parotid region upon sight, smell and taste of food  
(autonomic stimulation)

- results from damage to autonomic innervation of parotid gland with inappropriate regeneration of post-ganglionic parasympathetic nerve fibres of the auriculotemporal nerve, that aberrantly stimulate the overlying skin

### NORMAL



S/P PAROTIDECTOMY - abnormal innervation of the skin overlying the parotid gland by the parasympathetic fibres in auriculotemporal nerve



Whatever normally stimulates the secretomotor activity in the parotid gland (enabled by parasympathetic innervation) also stimulates the skin & sweat glands over the parotid area

incidence - ~2-80%.

incidence of Frey's syndrome is minimal in extracapsular dissection as the parotid fascia is primarily repaired & communication between denuded parenchyma & subcutis is prevented.

Diagnosis - STARCH- IODINE test

- Parotid area is painted with iodine - allowed to dry
- Dusted in dry starch - turns blue on sweating

## MANAGEMENT OF FREY'S SYNDROME

### PREVENTION

Creation of a barrier between the parotid bed & subcutaneous tissue  
↓  
minimize inappropriate nerve regeneration

- 1) Sternomastoid muscle flap
- 2) Temporalis fascia flap
- 3) Insertion of artificial membranes such as ACELLULAR DERMIS

### TREATMENT

#### TOPICAL

##### Antiperspirants

Aluminium chloride

##### Anticholinergics

- Scopolamine
- Glycopyrrolate

#### LOCAL

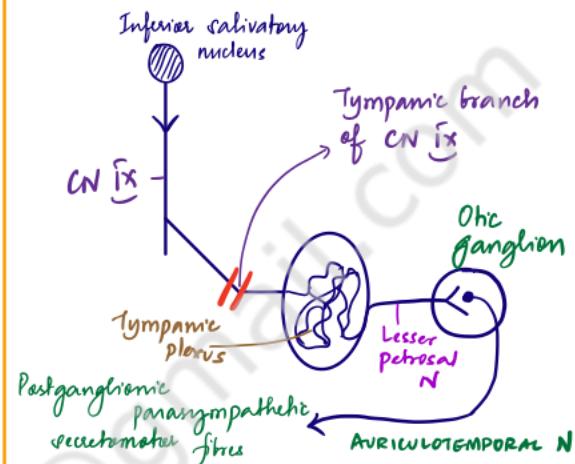
##### BOTOX

injection to affected skin

- 2) Irradiation of the affected area

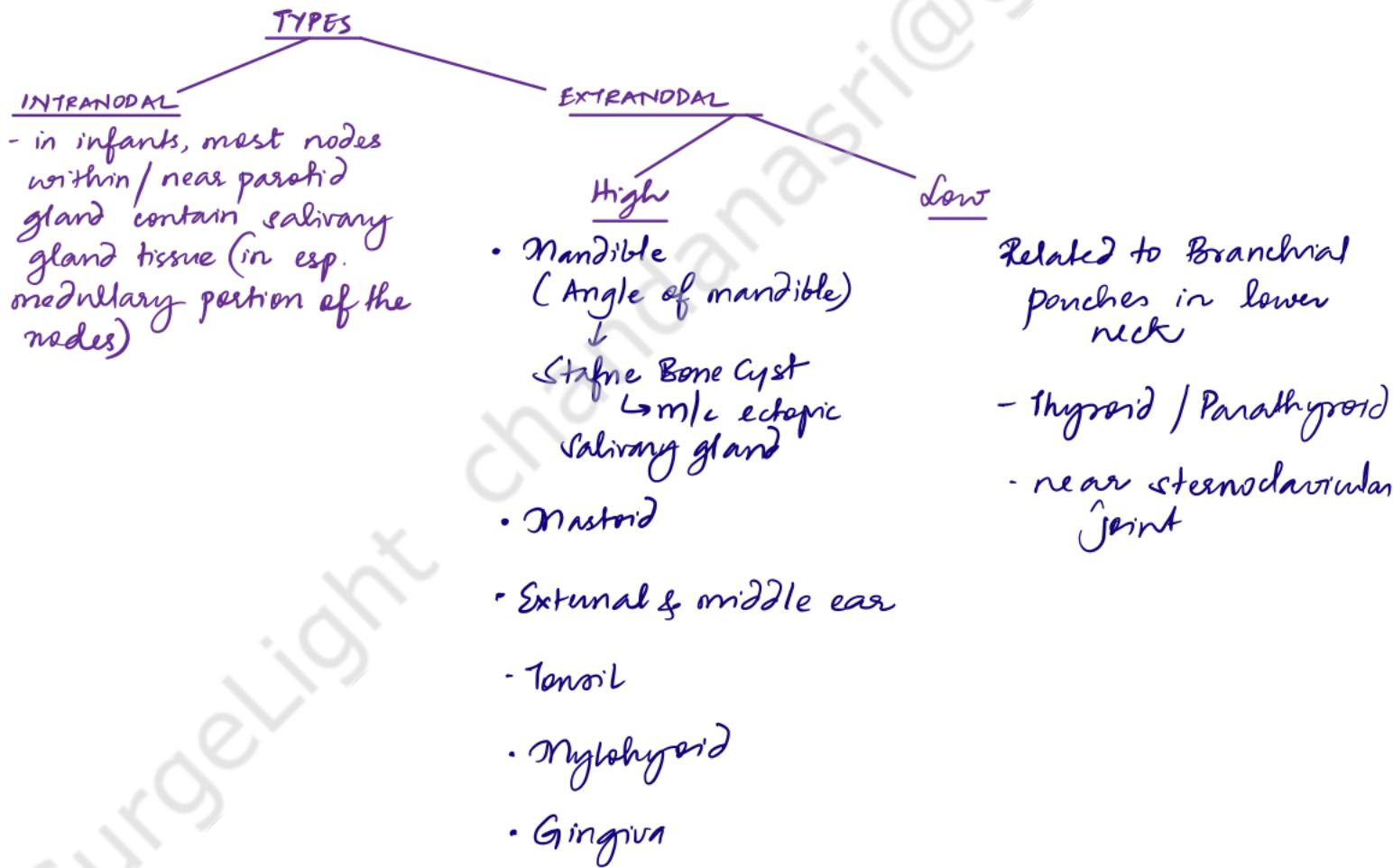
#### SURGICAL

##### TYMPANIC NEURECTOMY



## **ECTOPIC SALIVARY GLANDS** (from pathology outlines.com)

- Heterotopia / Ectopia of Salivary Glands
- presence of normal salivary gland tissue at a site where it is not normally present
- usually in head & neck
- Due to • abnormal persistence & development of salivary gland rests along embryologic pathways
  - salivary differentiation of primitive embryological structures
- May suffer the same pathological processes as usual salivary tissue
- m/c tumor in ectopic salivary gland - Warthin's tumor



# MAXILLOFACIAL TRAUMA

A B C

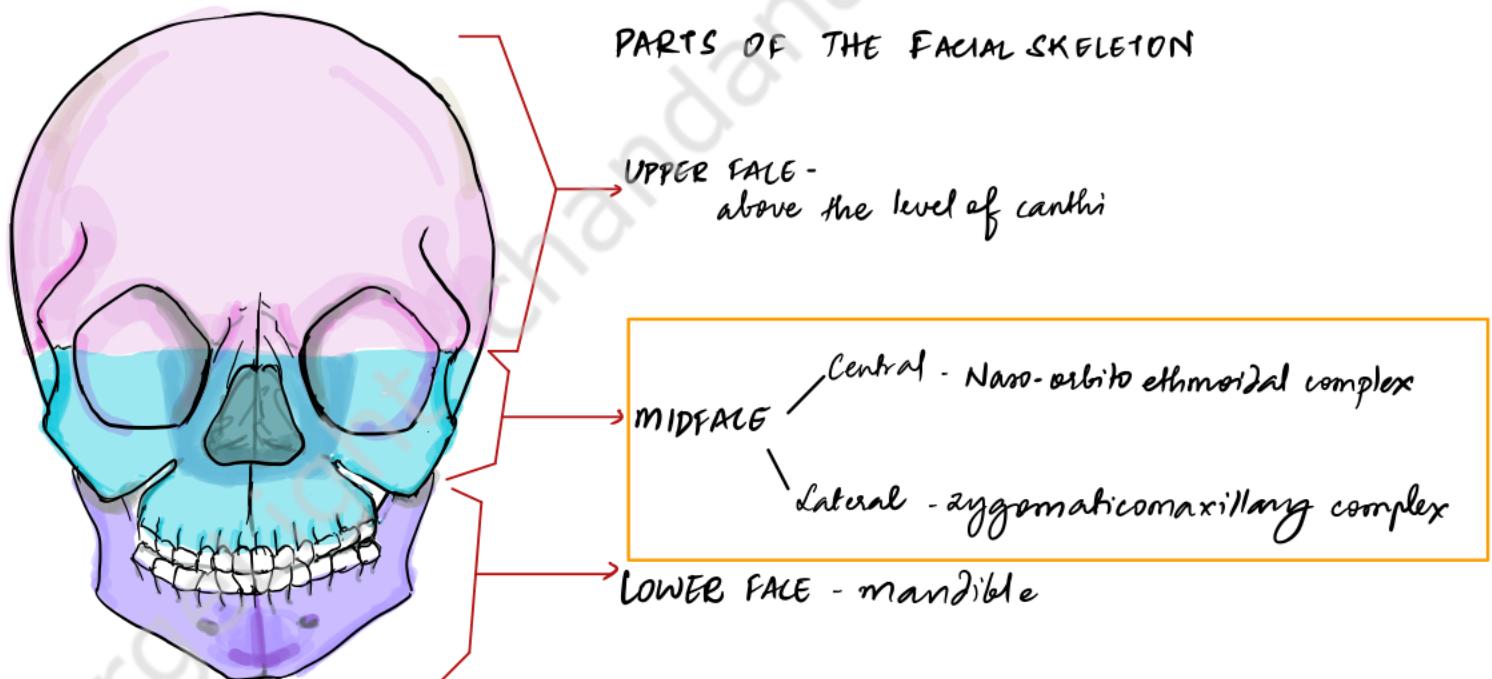
Airway - lateral position  
sit & lean forward } to prevent airway  
obstruction by blood or  
dental fragments

Midface # + Mandible #

Maxillary segments } displaced downwards &  
tongue } backwards  
Disimpact & pull forward      fix & clip/suture  
secure airway by intubation / surgically

Bleeding - midfacial # - nasal / pterygoid plexus

## BONY INJURIES AND FRACTURES

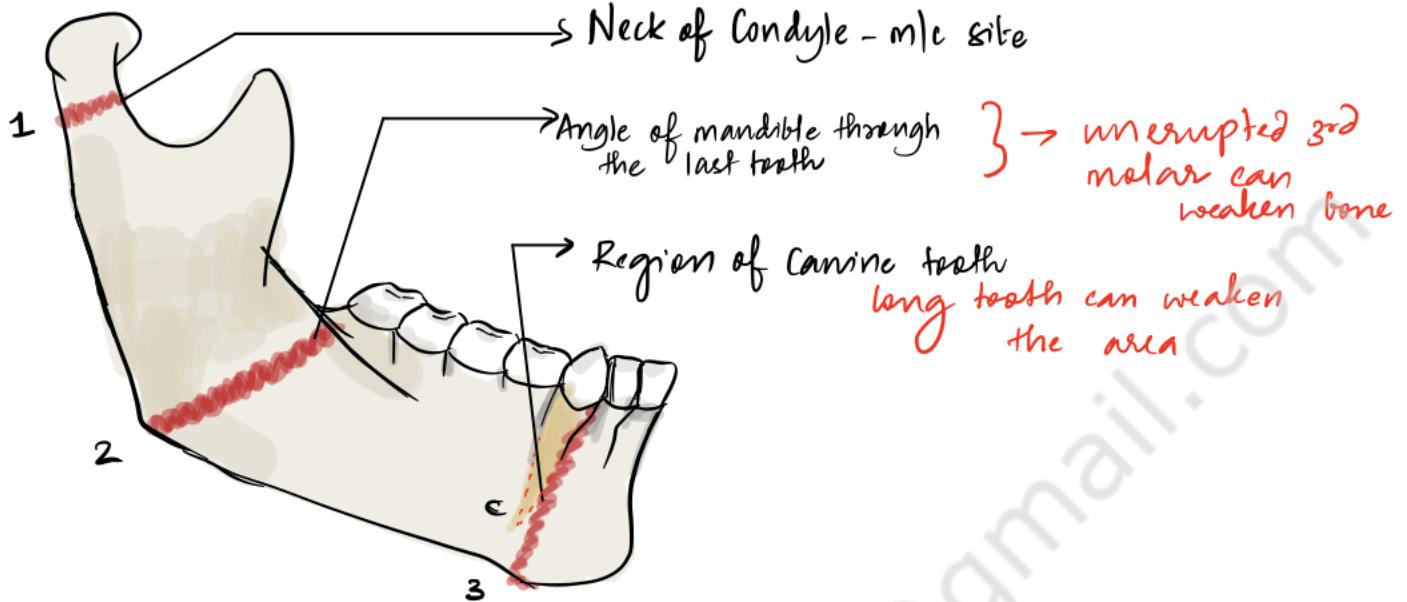


CRANIOFACIAL FRACTURES - SKULL # + Facial #s

- #s extending into frontal / ethmoidal sinuses

PANFACIAL FRACTURES - #s involving all levels of the face

## MANDIBULAR FRACTURES



### Clinical Features

- Dental malocclusion
- Step deformity
- Floor of the mouth ecchymosis
- Inferior lip & chin tingling - Inferior alveolar nerve entrapment/injury
- Ear bleeding - Condylar fracture

Evaluation

- DPG / X-ray of PA, lateral & Occlusal view
- CT - Coronal plane

- Rx - Surgical realignment (to mitigate malocclusion & osteomyelitis)
- Intermaxillary fixation (IMF) - wiring
  - ORIF : plate & screws
    - load sharing smaller #s
    - load bearing larger #s
  - Edentulous jaws - Gunning splint
- Annotations for ORIF screws:
- 2mm - monocortical
  - 2-7mm - for larger #s
  - bicortical fixation may be required

# FRACTURES OF ZYGOMATICO-MAXILLARY COMPLEX (ZMC) - Tripod #s

## Bony Buttresses of the face

### HORIZONTAL BUTTRESSES

- Cross-member stability to facial skeleton
- AP + horizontal dimensions of face

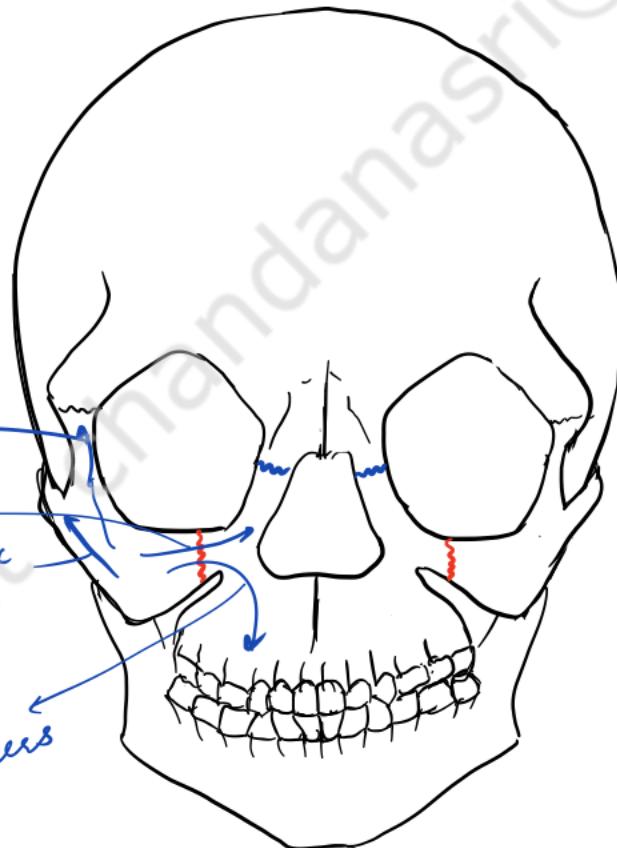
- 1) Frontal bar
- 2) Zygomatic arch + zygomatic bone + infraorbital rim
- 3) Palatal + mandibular arch

### VERTICAL BUTTRESSES

- Define the vertical height of the face
- Support mastication

- 1) Nasomaxillary
- 2) Zygomaticomaxillary
- 3) Pterygomaxillary
- 4) Ramus of mandible

"4-legged stool"



1/2/3/4 point fixation

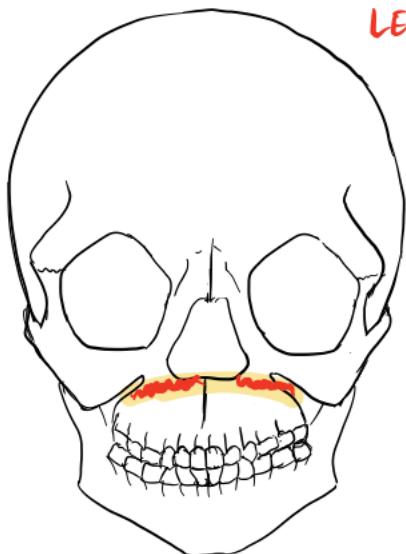
Almost all ZMC #s involve bony orbit

- Periorbital ecchymosis
- Subconjunctival hemorrhage
- Boni's steps
- Altered sensation along the infra-orbital nerve distribution

uncomplicated ZMC #s - treated within 10d of #

Isolated undisplaced zygomatic arch #s - can be managed conservatively

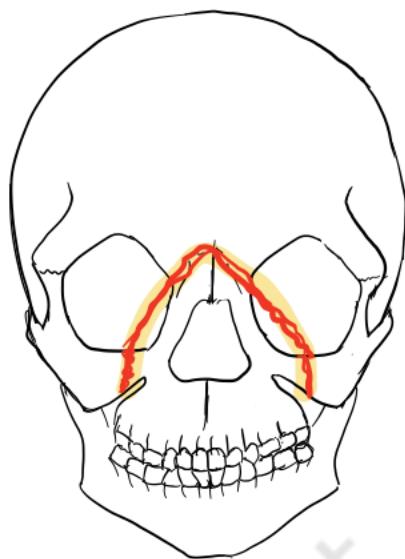
## MAXILLARY - LE FORT FRACTURES



### LE-FORT-I / GUERIN # / DENTOALVEOLAR DISJUNCTION

'Floating palate' - mobile fragment  
# also involves lower nasal septum  
also upper lip lacerations  
malocclusion

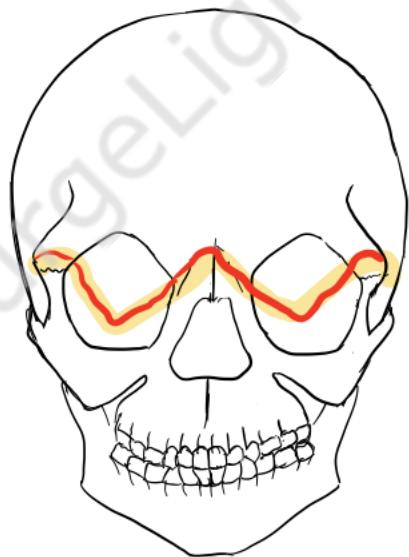
Rx - IMF  
ORIF



### LE-FORT-II - PYRAMIDAL # OF MIDFACE

Midface deformity  $\oplus$

Epistaxis ++ , nasal airway compromise  
step defect in inferior orbital rim  
Intra-orbital nerve involvement  
- IMF + tracheostomy



### LE FORT-III - CRANIOFACIAL DISJUNCTION

- Massive facial edema, ecchymosis
- Elongated face, lateral orbital rim <sup>defect</sup>
- Flattened naso-orbital area
- Epistaxis, CSF rhinorrhea

Rx - ORIF

Bone graft repair of orbital wall & floor

## ORBITAL FRACTURES

### ORBITAL FLOOR FRACTURES - m/c

- can occur as a part of Le Fort I & II, NFE # & ZMC #s

**BLOW OUT** - isolated orbital floor #

violent anterior impact to globe

↓  
Force transmission to orbital cavity

transmitted ↓ to floor (weakest wall)

↓  
Hemiation of orbital contents into maxillary sinus

Clinical features:

Entrapment of inferior rectus / inferior oblique

Enophthalmos → impaired upward mobility,  
Infrabital hypoesthesia diplopia

Malar deformity

Nose blowing → momentary exophthalmos, orbital emphysema

→ CT - hanging drop / tear drop sign

R - Orbital floor recon ← autologous bone

Antral packing ← alloplastic implant

**BLOW IN** - Orbital roof fractures

also frontal sinus & nasoethmoidal fractures

involvement of superior rectus & superior oblique

loss of ↓ upward gaze

2nd  
weakest  
wall  
↓  
medial  
(lamina papyracea)

## NASO-ORBITO ETHMOIDAL FRACTURES

Central upper midface → significant force transfer

- Depressed nasal bridge
- +
  - Telecanthus (traumatic - due to detachment of medial canthal ligament)
  - CSF rhinorrhea

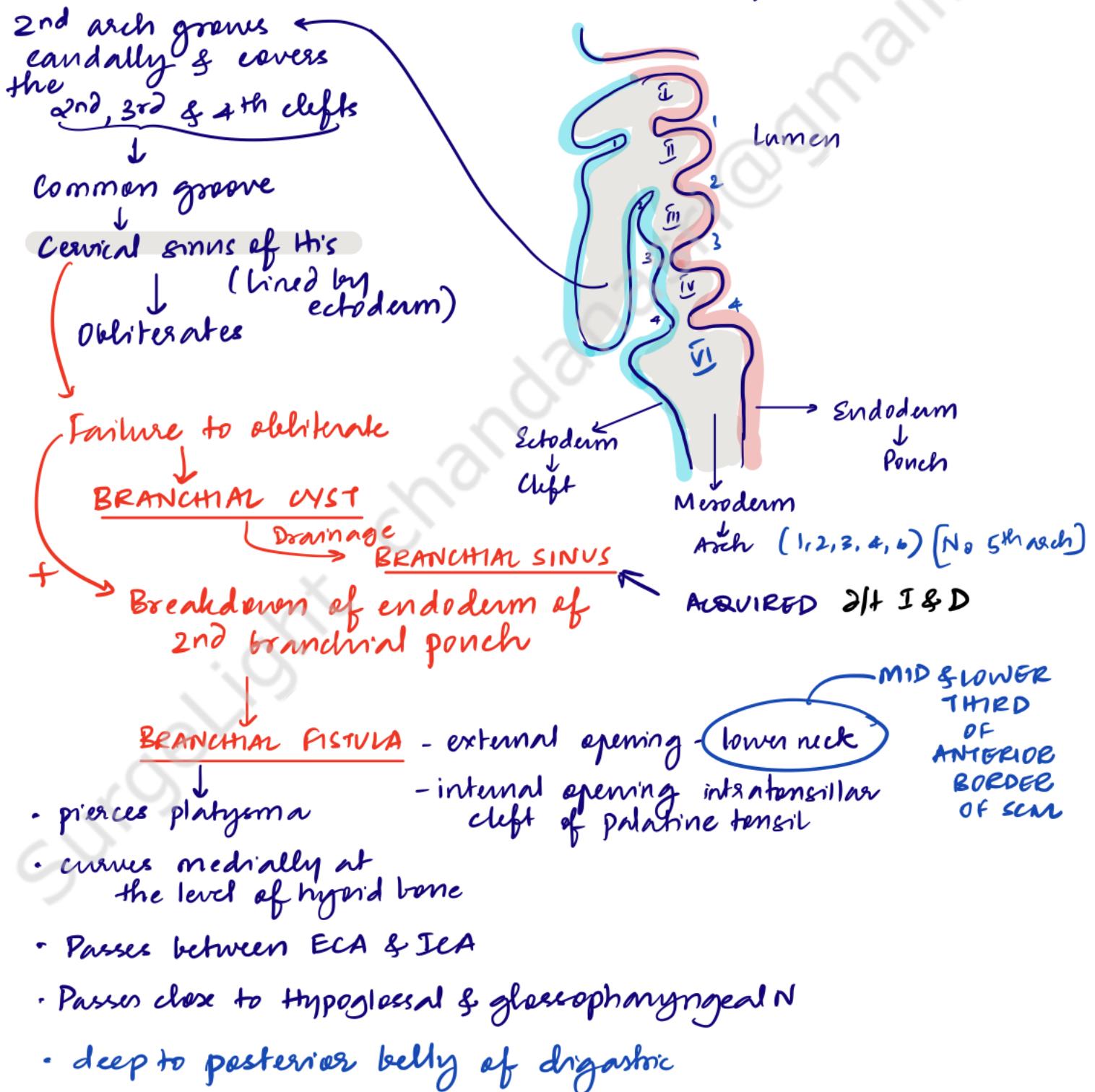
Rx - ORIF + Canthopexy

# BRANCHIAL CYST / SINUS / FISTULA

- fluid filled lesion which develops from the vestigial remnants of BRANCHIAL CLEFTS (m/c → 2nd)
- lined by squamous epithelium
- contains turbid fluid - cholesterol crystals - non transilluminant
- Rx - complete excision usually

## EMBRYOLOGY

Branchial apparatus - develops during 2nd to 6th weeks of fetal life

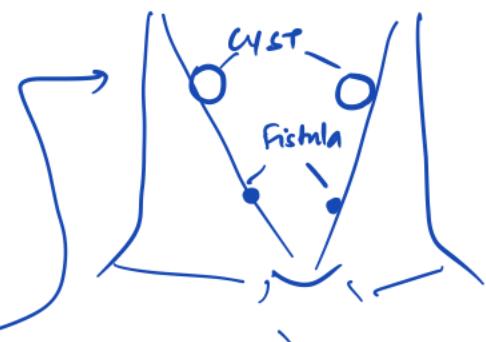


# BRANCHIAL ARCH DERIVATIVES

Derivates of pharyngeal folds	Arch number	Aortic arch	Cranial nerv	Examples of branchiomeric muscles	Skeletal derivate	Derivates of pharyngeal pouch
external auditory meatus	I mandibular	maxillary artery	V	muscles of mastication etc. <i>mylohyoid ABDG, tensor tympani, tensor palati</i>	malleus, incus sphenomandibular lig. Meckel cart.	I middle ear auditory tube
	II hyoid	hyoid, stapedial artery	VII facial	muscles of facial expression etc. <i>platysma, SH, PBG, Stapes</i>	stapes, styl. proc., stylohyoid lig., part of hyoid cart.	II suprtonsillar fossa
neck	III	internal carotid artery	IX glossopharyng.	m. stylopharyngeus	parts of hyoid cart.	III thymus, parathy. gland
	IV	right subclavian artery, aorta	X Superior Laryngeal N vagus Recurrent Laryngeal N	pharyngeal and laryngeal musculature	laryngeal cart.	IV thymus parathy. gland ultimobranch. body

## FIRST BRANCHIAL CLEFT CYSTS

TYPE I ↗ near EAC  
 TYPE II ↗ near angle of mandible



## SECOND BRANCHIAL CLEFT CYSTS - M/C - 95%

→ along ANTERIOR BORDER OF UPPER 1/3 of SCM

THIRD → Similar to second cyst

→ But fistula → courses posterior to carotids pierces thyrohyoid membrane enters larynx

↓ terminates in lateral aspect of PYRIFORM SINUS

FOURTH - very rare - thyroid mediastinum

## FASCIAL SPACES AND INFECTIONS OF THE NECK



## SUPERFICIAL FASCIA

- lies between dermis & deep cervical fascia
  - fat & connective tissue - not very well defined
  - Contains:
    - Neurovascular supply to skin
    - Superficial veins - External j
    - Superficial LNs
    - Fat
    - Platysma

PLATYSMA - Origin - 2 heads      Fascia of Pectoralis major  
     Deltoid fascia      } also attaches  
     Insertion - inferior border of mandible      to skin & superficial  
     Innervation - cervical branch of facial nerve      fascia

Action: Depresses mandible, angle of mouth

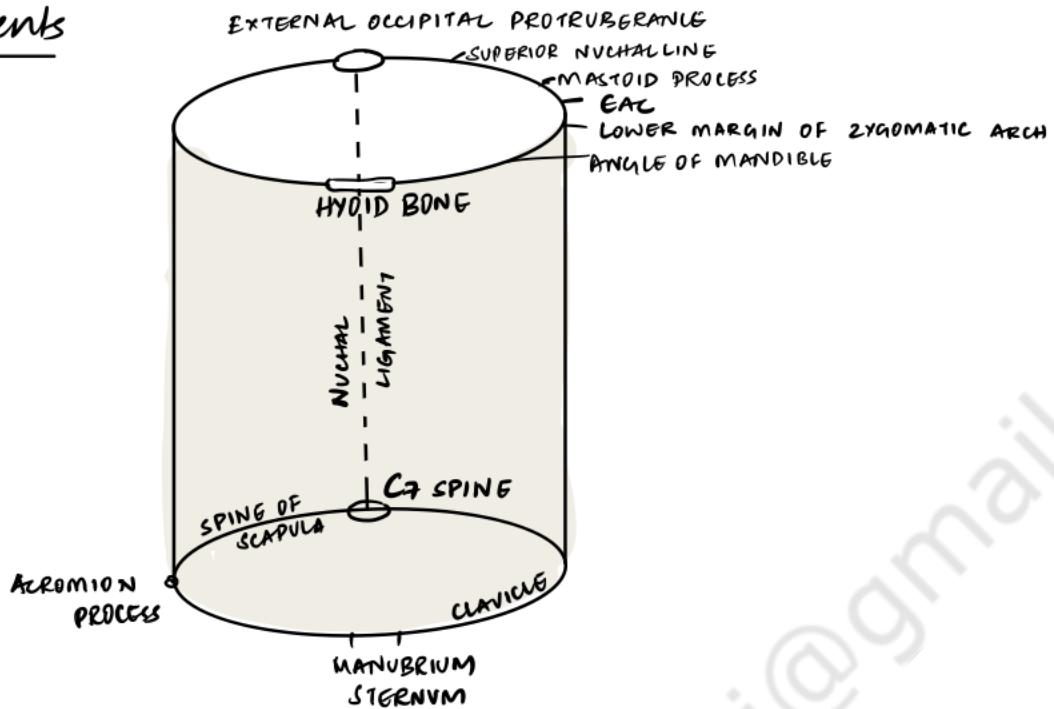
Action: Depresses mandible, angle of mouth wrinkles skin of neck

## DEEP CERVICAL FASCIA / FASCIA COLLIS

- 1) Investing layer
  - 2) Pretracheal fascia
  - 3) Prevertebral fascia

## INVESTING LAYER OF DEEP CERVICAL FASCIA

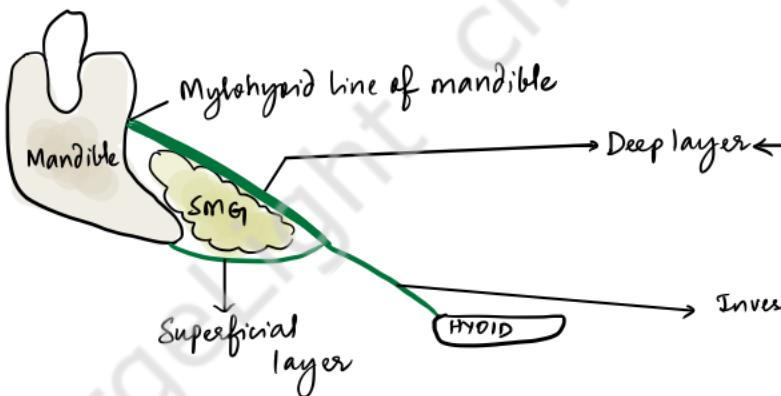
### Attachments



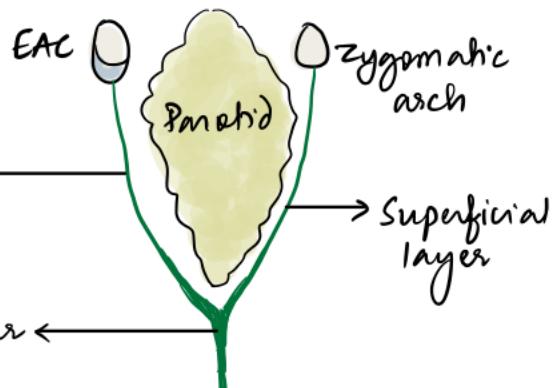
Splits to enclose ② muscles - 1) Sternocleidomastoid  
2) Trapezius

Splits to enclose ② glands above hyoid bone

1) SUBMANDIBULAR GLAND



2) PAROTID GLAND



3) DIVIDES TO ENCLOSE ② SPACES

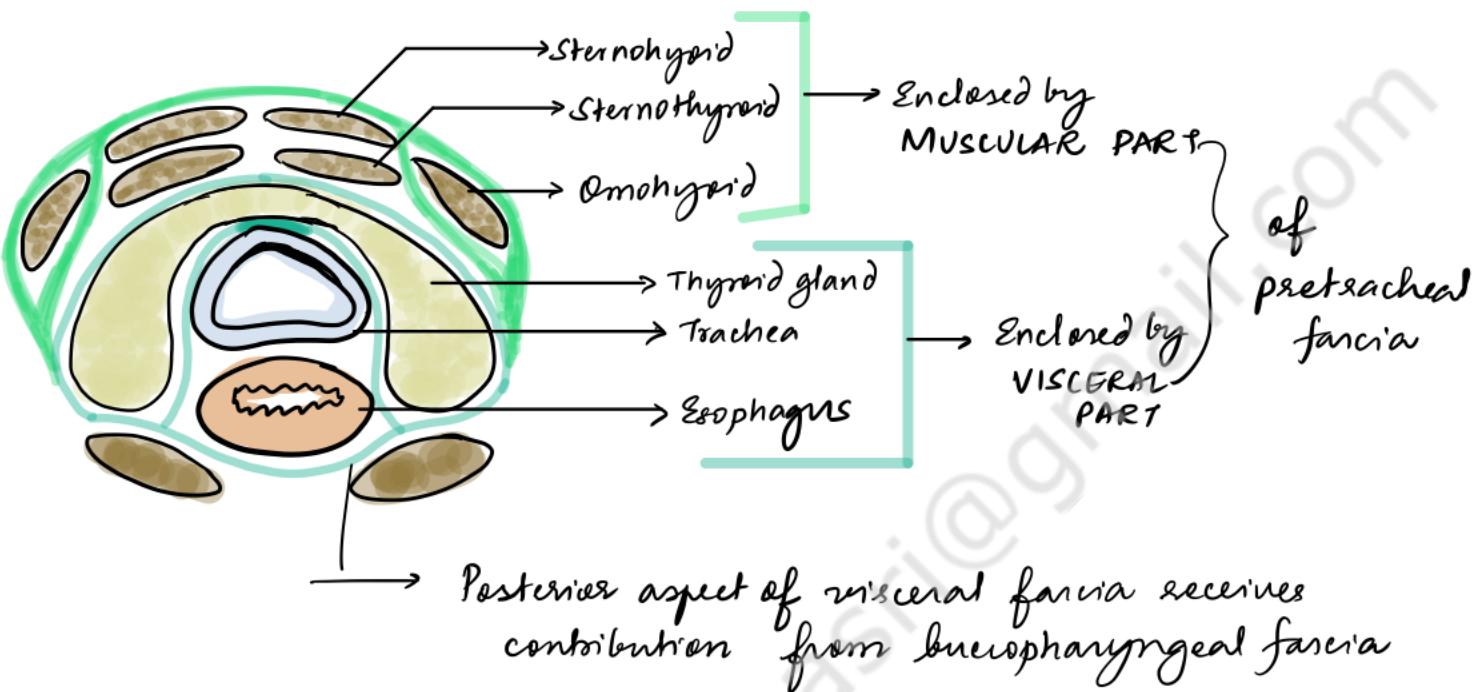
- 1) Suprahyoid space
- 2) Suprachiasmatic space

3) Creates ② Facial slings

- 1) For inferior belly of omohyoid
- 2) Intermediate tendon of digastric

## PRETRACHEAL FASCIA

- spans between HYOID BONE superiorly and THORAX inferiorly  
 → fuses with pericardium



- Splits to enclose thyroid gland
  - ↓ Thyroid capsule - connected to oblique line of thyroid cartilage
- DEGLUTITION → Thyro & cricopharyngeal part of inferior constrictor contract
  - ↓ Laryngeal elevation
  - ↑ Upward movement of thyroid gland during deglutition
- Enters thorax in front of trachea to join fibrous pericardium

## PREVERTEBRAL FASCIA

- surrounds the vertebral column and associated muscles → scaleni
  - prevertebral muscles
  - deep muscles of back

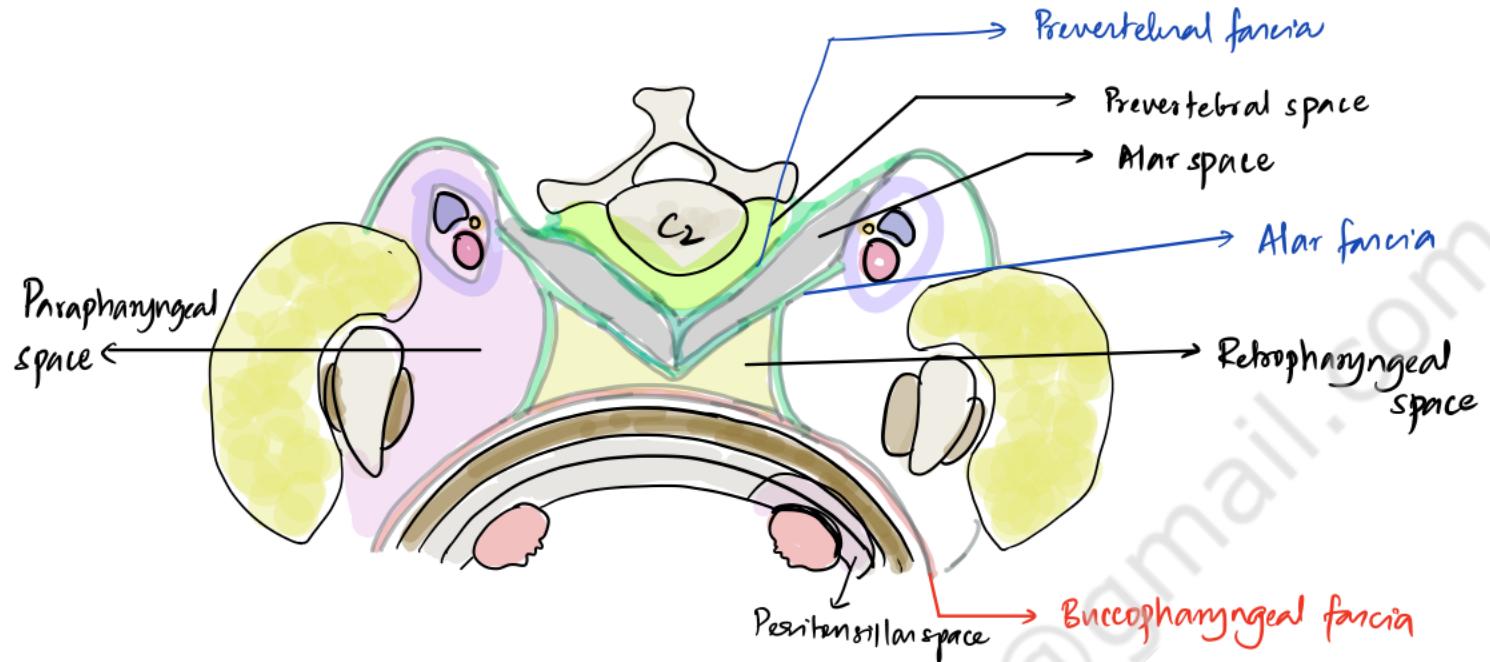
### Attachments

- Superiorly - base of skull
- Anteriorly - transverse processes of vertebral bodies
- Posteriorly - nuchal ligament of vertebral column
- Inferiorly - fuses w/ endothoracic fascia
- Forms floor of posterior triangle
- Forms AXILLARY SHEATH around brachial plexus

## CAROTID SHEATH

- receives contributions from pretracheal, prevertebral and investing layer
- runs from base of skull to mediastinum

## SPACES OF THE NECK



- 1) Superficial space (anteriorly) → Ludwig's angina
- 2) Retropharyngeal space → Acute retropharyngeal abscess alt infection of retropharyngeal nodes - paramedian swelling
- 3) Parapharyngeal space → Parapharyngeal abscess
- 4) Alar space / Danger space
- 5) Prevertebral space - Chronic retropharyngeal abscess. TB spine visible as midline swelling in posterior pharyngeal wall

# JAW TUMORS

## ODONTOGENIC

- BENIGN

  - 1) Odontoma
  - 2) Ameloblastoma
  - 3) Cementoblastoma
  - 4) Odontogenic myxoma
  - 5) Ameloblastic fibroma
  - 6) Pindborg tumor

## MALIGNANT

- 1) Odontogenic Ca  
- Ameloblastic Ca
- 2) Odontogenic Sarcoma
- 3) Odontogenic carcinosarcoma

## NON-ODONTOGENIC

### BENIGN

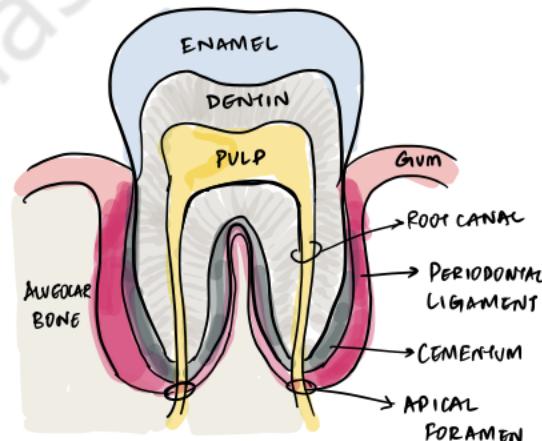
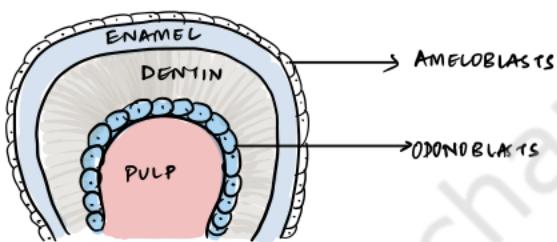
- 1) Osteoma
- 2) Osteoclastoma
- 3) Fibroma

### MALIGNANT

- 1) SCC
- 2) Osteosarcoma
- 3) Ewing Sarcoma
- 4) Chondrosarcoma
- 5) Multiple Myeloma
- 6) Lymphoma/Leukemia
- 7) Metastasis

## ODONTOGENIC TISSUE

- 1) Odontoblasts - cells of neural-crest mesenchymal origin that produce dentin
- 2) Ameloblasts - cells of ectodermal origin that produce enamel
- 3) Cementoblasts - cells of mesenchymal origin that produce cementum



## WHO Classification of Odontogenic tumors (2017)

### Epithelial tumors

- 1) Ameloblastoma
- 2) Squamous odontogenic tumor
- 3) Calcifying epithelial odontogenic tumor (PINDBORG tumor)
- 4) Adenomatoid odontogenic tumor
- 5) Keratinizing cystic odontogenic tumor

### (MIXED) Epithelial + Ectomesenchyme

- Ameloblastic fibroma  
Ameloblastic fibro-odontoma  
Ameloblastic fibro-dentinoma  
Complex / Compound odontoma

### Ectomesenchyme ± Odontogenic epithelium

- Odontogenic fibroma  
Odontogenic myxoma  
Cementoblastoma

## AMELOBLASTOMA

(previously called ADAMANTINOMA OF JAW)

Ameloblastoma - odontogenic tumor → from remnants of odontogenic epithelium → Rests of DENTAL LAMINA

↓  
Locations: soft tissues of Gingiva / Alveolar mucosa  
Lining of odontogenic cysts

- m/c odontogenic tumor
- middle age 20-40y, M=F, Asians
- Can occur in all areas of jaws - BVT  
→ 80% → mandible  
→ molar angle ramus area
- MAJORITY - BENIGN, but locally aggressive  
very rarely - ameloblastic carcinoma  
↳ LN, Distant spread

- TYPES
- Classic / Solid / Multicystic ameloblastoma
  - Unicystic ameloblastoma
  - Peripheral ameloblastoma
  - Desmoplastic ameloblastoma

### Clinical presentation

- Slow-growing → swelling → facial asymmetry
  - ↓
  - Initially, hard swelling
  - Reactive new bone formation → jaw enlargement & distortion
  - thinning of cortical bone → 'Egg shell cracking'
- Tooth mobility  
(displacement of teeth  
resorption of roots)
- Inferior alveolar canal involvement - Paraesthesia
- Maxillary ameloblastomas → can grow upwards to involve sphenoidal paragl., pterygomandibular fossa, orbit, cranium

### RADIOLOGY

→ 'SOAP BUBBLE' / 'Honeycomb appearance'

Radiolucent area i expansion of overlying cortical bone

Scalloped margins / Multilocular appearance

Resorption of roots of adjacent teeth

Rx - TOC - Surgery - Curettage is not sufficient

Mandible - Segmental mandibulectomy ; Maxilla - Partial maxillectomy

RT may improve long term locoregional control

**EPULIS** - non-specific term used for swellings over the gums  
gingival / alveolar mucosa

- 1) Congenital Epulis / Neumann tumor - MYOBLASTOMA in gums of newborns - canine area  
Not malignant  
Rx- Excision
- 2) Fibrous Epulis → Fibroma of periodontal membrane  
→ m/c epulis
- 3) Granulomatous Epulis - granulation tissue around caries tooth
- 4) Pregnancy Epulis - inflammatory gingivitis of pregnancy  
- usually resolves after delivery
- 5) Carcinomatous Epulis - SCC of alveolar gum
- 6) Myelomatous Epulis - seen in leukemic pts
- 7) Fibrosarcomatous Epulis - fibrosarcoma of gum
- 8) Giant cell Epulis - Osteoclastoma causing ulceration / hemorrhage of gum
- 9) Epulis fissuratum - Benign hyperplasia of fibrous tissue of gum  
d/t ill-fitting dentures

# ODONTOGENIC CYSTS

Epithelial-lined swellings derived from odontogenic epithelium

**PERIAPICAL/RADICULAR CYST** → m/c

cyst arising at the apex/ root of infected erupted tooth

INFECTED TOOTH

↓  
Pulp necrosis  
↓

necrotic matter exits at root/ apex of tooth

↓  
Periapical inflammation

↓  
Stimulation of Malassez epithelial rests in the periodontal ligament

↓  
PERIAPICAL GRANULOMA

↓  
necrosis

↓  
CYST

↓  
Osteomyelitis

Rx - Endodontic Rx of involved teeth

- Cyst excision + HPE  
(SCC may arise in long standing cyst very rarely)

**RESIDUAL CYST**

↓  
Retained periapical cysts of the teeth which have been removed.

**DENTIGEROUS CYST / FOLLICULAR CYST**

cyst developing within the NORMAL dental follicle surrounding an UNERUPTED TOOTH

most frequently found in areas where unerupted teeth are found

- Mandibular & Maxillary 3<sup>rd</sup> molars
- Maxillary canines

Size - can grow quite large

HPE:

Reduced Enamel epithelium of the dental follicle is replaced by STRATIFIED SQUAMOUS NON-KERATINISING EPITHELIUM & dystrophic calcification & clusters of mucin cells

Epithelium lining the dentigerous cyst can lead to

- AMELOBLOMMA (17% ameloblastoma arise in dentigerous cysts)
- Mucocidermoid carcinoma (from mucin cells)
- squamous cell carcinoma

Rx - Excision + HPE

**PRIMORDIAL CYST**

↓

Arises when dental follicle undergoes cystic degeneration even before completing odontogenesis

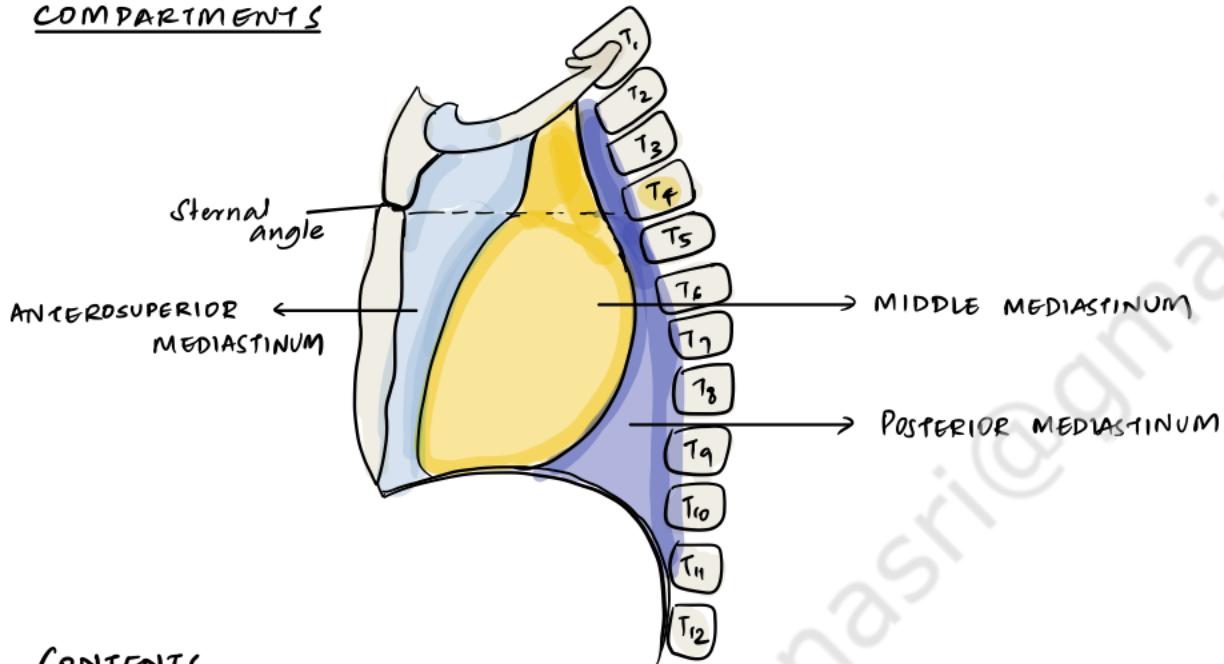
i.e.; cyst develops instead of tooth  
- very rare

# MEDIASTINUM

## ANATOMY

- Central area in the chest • between the thoracic inlet and the diaphragm
  - between the **(R)** and **(L)** pleural surfaces
  - between inner aspect of the sternum to the vertebral column

## COMPARTMENTS



## CONTENTS

### ANTEROSUPERIOR MEDIASTINUM

- Thymus / its remnants
- Internal mammary vessels
- Lymph nodes
- Fat

### MIDDLE MEDIASTINUM (Visceral compartment)

- Pericardium & its contents
- ascending aorta, arch of aorta
- superior & inferior vena cavae
- Pulmonary vessels - central portion
- Phrenic N Vagus
- Trachea & main bronchi
- Esophagus
- Thoracic duct
- Lymph nodes

### POSTERIOR MEDIASTINUM (Paravertebral sinus)

- Descending aorta
- Azygous & hemiazygous veins
- Lymph nodes
- Sympathetic chain
- Segmental nerves

## MEDIASTINAL MASSES

### ANTEROSUPERIOR MEDIASTINUM

- THYMOMA
- THYMIC CYST
- RETROSTERNAL GOITER
- PARATHYROID ADENOMA
- GERM CELL TUMOR
- LYMPHOMA
- Lymphangioma Hemangioma
- Fibroma / lipoma

### MIDDLE MEDIASTINUM

- PLEUROPERICARDIAL CYST
- FOREGUT CYSTS
- PARAGANGIOMA
- MESENCHYMAL TUMORS
- THORACIC DUCT CYST
- LYMPHOMA
- MEDIASTINAL GRANULOMA
- LYMPHOID HAMARTOMA

### POSTERIOR MEDIASTINUM

- NEURILEMMOMA
- SCHWANNOMA
- GANGLIONEUROMA
- NEUROBLASTOMA
- PARAGANGIOMA
- LYMPHOMA
- FIBROSARCOMA

## Clinical Features

- Only ~1/3rd - symptomatic
- symptoms depend on
  - size
  - nature
  - location
- SVC syndrome
- RLN palsy
- Horner's Syndrome
- Pancoast syndrome

## Evaluation

- CXR - Mediastinal widening
- CT - for anterior & middle mediastinum
- MRI - for posterior mediastinum
- Thymoma - FDG-PET
- Diaphragm fluoroscopy / 'sniff' test for Dx of phrenic nerve palsy
- Germ cell tumors - tumor markers

## Mediastinal Syndrome

Clinical features arising due to compression of mediastinal structures by a mass

Trachea & main bronchi -  
Dyspnea  
Cough  
Stridor  
Also lung collapse

Esophagus - dysphagia

SVC - SVC syndrome

① RLN - voice change, bovine cough

Phrenic nerve - diaphragmatic palsy

Sympathetic trunk - Horner's Syndrome

# MEDIASTINITIS

## ACUTE MEDIASTINITIS

Fulminant infectious process

### Causes

- 1) **ESOPHAGEAL DISRUPTION** → m/c
  - Iatrogenic - Dilatation / Scopy / Sclerotherapy
  - Spontaneous - Boerhaave
  - Trauma / Corrosive ingestion
  - Post Surgical - infection, anastomotic leak
  - Malignancy - erosion
- 2) DEEP STERNOTOMY WOUND INFECTION
- 3) OROPHARYNGEAL & NECK INFECTIONS
  - Cellulitis, suppurative LN
- 4) LUDWIG'S ANGINA
- 5) QUINSY
- 6) RETROPHARYNGEAL ABSCESS
- 7) LUNG & PLEURAL INFECTIONS
- 8) SUBPHRENIC ABSCESS
- 9) RIB / VERTEBRAL OSTEOMYELITIS
- 10) HEMATOGENOUS / METASTATIC ABSCESS

can spread rapidly along continuous fascial planes connecting cervical and mediastinal compartments

### Clinical features

- Fever
- Chest pain
- Respiratory distress
- Dysphagia
- Cervical, Upper thoracic s/c crepitus
- SEPSIS

CT - extent

- helps select route of surgical drainage

Rx - Resuscitate, Systemic Abx  
drain collections / Debride  
Rx primary problem

## CHRONIC MEDIASTINITIS

sclerosing / fibrosing mediastinitis

originates in mediastinal lymph nodes

### Causes:

- ? Granulomatous infections
- HISTOPLASMOSIS
- TUBERCULOSIS

Similar to retroperitoneal fibrosis /  
sclerosing cholangitis /  
Riedel's thyroiditis

↓  
Chronic, low grade  
inflammation  
FIBROSIS  
SCARRING

- Entrapment / Compression of great veins
- Esophageal involvement

No definitive Rx

Surgery is aimed at

- release of airway or esophageal obstruction
- vascular reconstruction

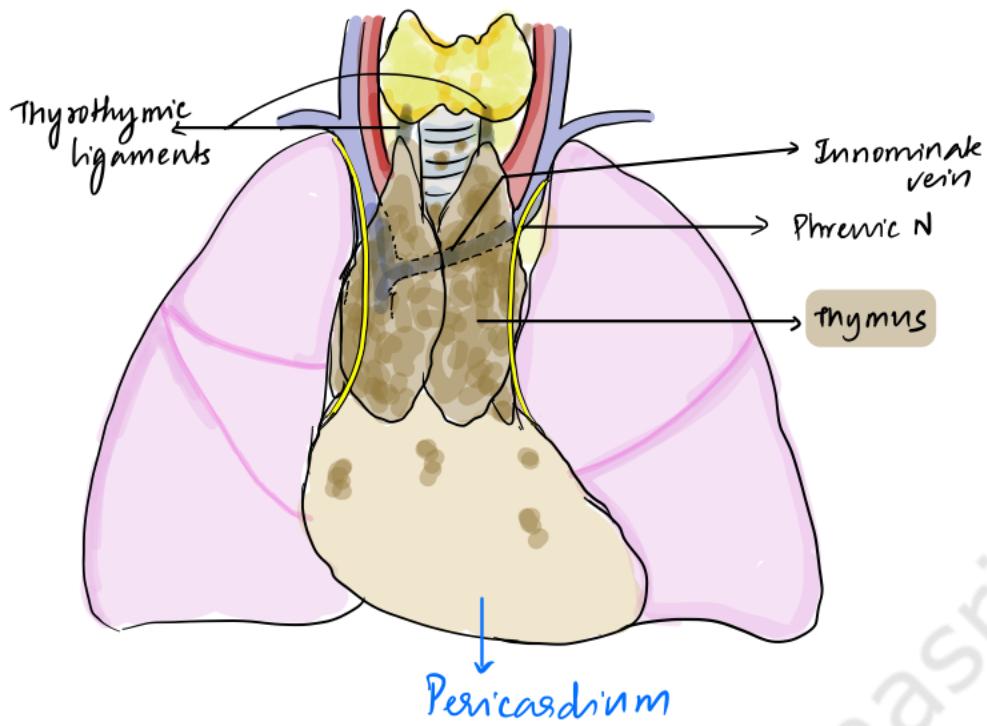
## MEDIASTINAL CYSTS

Primary cysts of mediastinum - 20% of mediastinal masses - Benign

TYPES			
BRONCHOGENIC	PERICARDIAL	ENTERIC	THYMIC
<p>m/c primary cyst of mediastinum      ↓      originate as <u>sequestations</u> from the ventral foregut (antecedents of the tracheobronchial tree)      ↓      can be located      - within lung parenchyma (15%)      - in the mediastinum (85%)      ± communication i bronchial tree      Imaging - air-fluid level in mediastinum      Splaying of carina      Resection recommended if &gt;6cm or symptomatic</p>	<p>2nd m/c      occur in the cardiophrenic angle      (R) (70%) &gt; (L)      ± communication i pericardium      clear fluid      Rx -      Needle aspiration      Routine surveillance</p>	<p>syn. duplication cysts      arise from primitive foregut      usually attached to esophagus      Esophageal compression      ↓      Dysphagia      can cause - hemorrhage, infection, perforation      Neuroenteric cysts      - a/c anomalies of vertebral column      ↓      Excision recommended</p>	<p>rare      - 1-3% of mediastinal masses      Congenital / Acquired      ↓      • contain .20 to thymic CTRT      trees in wall . After thoracotomy      • unilocular      Large cysts a/c HIV      Malignancy should be ruled out</p>

## THYMOA

**ANATOMY OF THYMUS** - located in anterior superior mediastinum



- Bilobed
- covers the great vessels and pericardium

**Blood supply**

- internal thoracic A
- inferior thyroid A
- pericardiophrenic V

**LACKS AFFERENT LYMPH CHANNELS**

efferent lymph channels ↗

drain thymic capsule & septae to anterior mediastinal, pulmonary hilar & internal mammary nodes

**CENS** - arranged in cortex & medulla

↳ lymphoid cells → T lymphocytes +++++

occasional B cells & germinal centres

Epithelial cells

Myoid cens - express AChRs - may be involved in pathophysiology of MG

## THYMOAS

- m/c primary neoplasm of the anterior mediastinum in adults
- 40-60y (2nd m/c - lymphoma)
- rare in children

All thymomas arise from thymic epithelium - but contain mixed populations of cells

lymphocytes  
Epithelial cells  
Spindle cells

May be benign / invasive

thymic carcinoma - separate entity

## CLINICAL FEATURES

### DUE TO COMPRESSION / INVASION BY LESION

- 1) Chest pain
- 2) Dyspnea
- 3) Cough
- 4) Hemoptysis
- 5) Superior vena cava syndrome

external compression of SVC

- facial swelling and congestion
- upper extremity edema
- shortness of breath
- distension of neck veins
  - exacerbated by bending forward / lying down
- cough

### NON SPECIFIC SYMPTOMS

- Anorexia
- Fatigue

### DUE TO IMMUNOLOGIC DISORDERS

#### MYASTHENIA GRAVIS

- m/c syndromic presentation of thymoma
- 30-60% thymoma - MG
- Thymectomy resolves MG in 25% of thymoma pts
- Thymectomy resolves MG in 50% of pts WITHOUT THYMOA

75% MG patients have thymic abnormalities  
→ Majority - thymic hyperplasia

- pathology - circulating antibodies to Ach-R
  - skeletal muscle weakness
- F : M 3 : 2

Other systemic syndromes a/i THYMOMA

Pure red cell aplasia / Aplastic anemia  
HYPO / HYPERGAMMAGLOBULINEMIA

Dermatomyositis

SLE, Systemic sclerosis

Hypercoagulable state

Granulomatous myocarditis

## MASAOKA THYMOA STAGING SYSTEM

Stage I : Encapsulated tumor → no macro / microscopic capsular invasion

Stage II : Microscopic / Gross capsular invasion / Invasion into mediastinal fat, pleura

Stage III : Gross invasion of pericardium / great vessels / lung

Stage IV
 

- IV A - Pleural / Pericardial dissemination

- IV B - Lymphogenous / hematogenous metastasis

## EVALUATION

CXR - Mediastinal widening

CT - Anatomic location

Size & Extent

Density

Pulmonary / Pleural mets

Mediastinal nodes

Pre-operative tissue biopsy - usually unnecessary

Transpleural approach contraindicated at risk of seeding pleural space

Percutaneous image guided core biopsy only if lymphoma is suspected  
unresectable thymic neoplasms needing definitive CT/RT

MG workup - anti-AchR antibodies

## MANAGEMENT

Stage I - Thymectomy alone

Stage II & III - Adjuvant RT

Tumors > 5cm, locally invasive, unresectable / metastatic

↓  
Chemo

Radical ← Surgery

↓  
RT

Thymectomy

→ Trans-sternal approach

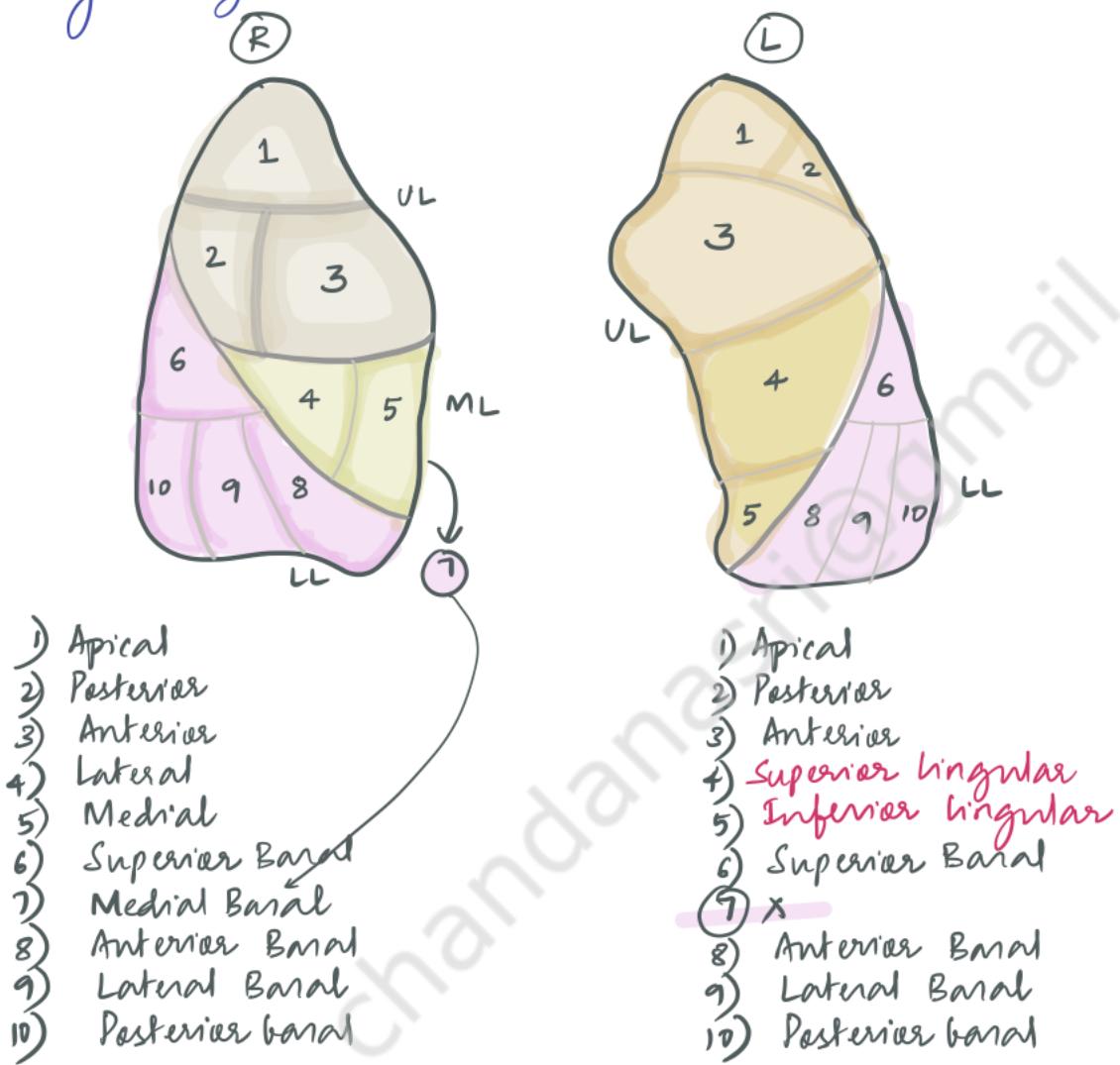
VATS

Robotic

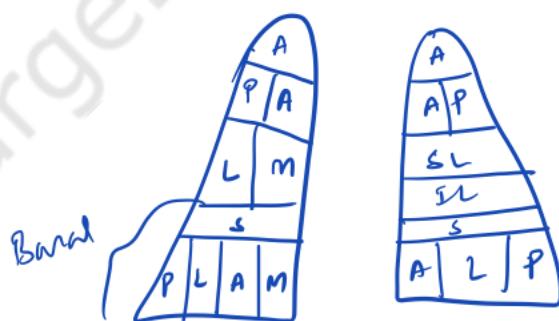
Transcervical

## BRONCHOPULMONARY SEGMENTS

A bronchopulmonary segment is a portion of the lung supplied by a specific segmental bronchus and a specific branch of the pulmonary artery.



Segmental anatomy → Segmental resections



## LYMPHATIC DRAINAGE OF LUNG

### PULMONARY LYMPHNODES (N<sub>1</sub>)

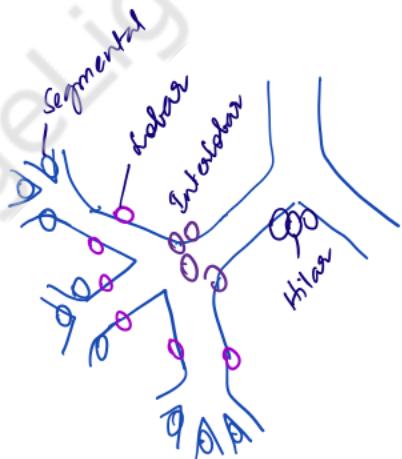
- 1) Intrapulmonary / Segmental nodes
  - lie in the
    - points of division of segmental bronchi
    - bifurcations of pulmonary artery
- 2) Lobar nodes
  - lie along UPPER, MIDDLE, LOWER lobe bronchi
- 3) Interlobar nodes
  - at the points where main bronchi bifurcate into lobar bronchi
  - lie in interlobar fissure
  - constitute lymphatic lump of Boerhaave
- 4) Hilus nodes
  - along main bronchi

### MEDIASTINAL LYMPHNODES (N<sub>2</sub>)

- 1) Anterior mediastinal nodes
  - along - upper surface of pericardium
  - Phrenic nerves
  - Ligamentum arteriosum
  - (D) aspect of innominate vein
- 2) Posterior mediastinal nodes
  - nodes within inferior pulmonary ligament
  - Nodes between trachea & esophagus near arch of azygous vein
- 3) Tracheobronchial nodes
  - SUBCARINAL NODES
- 4) Paratracheal nodes
  - ↓
  - located in superior mediastinum close to trachea

(R) lung → ipsilateral mediastinal nodes

(L) lung - esp lower lobe → early contralateral mediastinal nodes



## LUNG CANCER

most common cause of cancer death in both men & women  
most common visceral malignancy

### Etiology

#### 1) Smoking

85-90% causes of lung cancer

Smokers - 30x risk

Passive smoking increases risk 2 fold

Risk is related to cumulative dose of tobacco carcinogens - 'pack years'

Incidence of lung cancer death begins to diverge from non-smoking population at 10 pack years

After smoking cessation - risk steadily declines

↓  
approaches that of non smokers after

15 years of cessation

in people who have smoked < 20y

#### 'FIELD CANCERIZATION' hypothesis

- upper aerodigestive cancers

- synchronous & metachronous lung cancers

SCC}

SCLC} - almost always associated w/ smoking

Lung cancer develops in 15% of heavy smokers

Giant bullous emphysema & airway obstructive disease can act synergistically with smoking to induce lung cancer

Higher lung cancer mortality in smokers

#### 2) Asbestos - malignant mesothelioma

Lung Ca (Smoking + Asbestos - 3x risk compared to smoking alone)

#### 3) Radiation exposure - ↑ SCLC risk in smokers + non smokers

Radon exposure

#### 4) Toxins:

Arsenic

Nickel

chromium compounds

chloromethyl ether

air pollutants

mining of radioactive ores

#### 5) Mutations

EGFR mutations  
ALK mutations

} NSCLC in never/minimal smokers

# CLASSIFICATION

## TYPES

### SMALL CELL LUNG CANCER

↓  
15% of all lung cancers

ARISE FROM NEUROENDOCRINE CELLS  
- 'KULCHITSKY' CELLS

Location: Central / hilar (95%) > Peripheral (5%)

Often have widespread disease at the time of diagnosis

- Mets to Brain, Bone marrow, Liver
- Pleural effusions ↗
- Recurrence - Local + Remote

### NON SMALL CELL LUNG CANCER

↓  
85% of all lung cancers

#### ADENOCARCINOMA (50-60% NSCLC)

Location:

Peripheral

Localised nodule in >50% cases  
↓ Blood spread  
Bones, Liver  
Brain

#### SCC (20-25% NSCLC)

Central, CAVITATING

localized during early disease  
↓  
Recur locally after Sx / RT

#### LCLC

anywhere

Aggressive behaviour & early metastasis to mediastinal nodes & distant sites

## PARANEOPLASTIC SYNDROMES

### SIADH (m/c)

Hypercoagulable state - common

ectopic ACTH - uncommon

Lambert-Eaton Myasthenic Syndrome - rare

Hypercalcemia - very rare in SCC even in presence of extensive bony mets

• Hypertrrophic osteoarthropathy

• Hypercoagulable state

• Hypercalcemia (PTH-RP / cytokine)

• Hypercalcemia & ectopic PTH-RP (m/c)

• Hypertrrophic osteo-arthropathy (occasional)

• Paraneoplastic neutrophilia

• Hypercoagulability

Ectopic hormone production and paraneoplastic syndromes are TYPICALLY ABSENT

NOT TO BE CONFUSED  
↳ LARGE CELL NEUROENDOCRINE VARIANT

## NEUROENDOCRINE CARCINOMA

- NEC - ↗ IHC for chromogranin, synaptophysin CD 57, Neuron specific enolase

(from Kulchitsky cells)

### GRADE-1 NEC

#### CLASSICAL/TYPICAL CARCINOID

80% - central airway epithelium  
younger patients  
(CENTRAL lesion)  
↳ vascular

Regional nodes ~15%

↓ Systemic spread

### GRADE-2 NEC

#### ATYPICAL CARCINOID

more peripherally located  
- necrosis  
- pleomorphism

Nodes - 30-50%

25% Distant mets

### GRADE-3 NEC

#### LARGE-CELL TYPE TUMORS

mid to peripherally located  
↑ in heavy smokers

Similar to LCLC but the IHC for atleast 1 neuroendocrine marker

### GRADE-4 NEC

#### SCLC

↳  
Central lesion  
↓  
Early widespread mets

Pure SCLC SC+ LC Combined or mixed

## CLINICAL FEATURES

### PRIMARY LUNG CANCER ASSOCIATED

#### PULMONARY

•  $\delta$  direct effect of tumor on bronchus / lung tissue

- 1) COUGH -  $\delta$  direct effect of tumor on bronchus irritation or compression
- 2) DYSPNEA -  $\delta$  direct effect of tumor on central airway obstruction or compression

- 3) WHEEZE -  $\delta$  direct effect of tumor on airway obstruction

- 4) PNEUMONIA  
    •  $\delta$  direct effect of tumor on airway obstruction  
    • subsequent infection

- 5) HEMOPTYSIS  
    •  $\delta$  direct effect of tumor on capillaries

- 6) LUNG ABSCESS  
    •  $\delta$  direct effect of tumor necrosis & cavitation + superadded infection

#### NON-PULMONARY THORACIC

•  $\delta$  direct invasion of the primary tumor directly into a contiguous structure or from mechanical compression of an adjacent structure

- 1) CHEST PAIN - Peripherally located tumors
  - pleural space
  - parietal pleura
  - chest wall structures
  - Pleuritic pain
  - Chest wall pain - rib & intercostal muscle
  - Radicular pain - intracostal nerve

- 2) PANCOAST SYNDROME  
    • tumors arising in the superior sulcus / posterior apex

- 3) PHRENIC NERVE PALSY  
    • tumors at the medial lung surface / anterior hilum - invade the nerve as it courses the thorax

- 4) RLN PALSY (LEFT)  
    •  $\delta$  hilar tumor / lymph node

- 5) SVC syndrome -  $\delta$  direct effect of tumor on mediastinal nodes  
    • medial  $\delta$  UL tumor  
    • m/e & SCCL

- 6) PERICARDIAL & PLEURAL EFFUSION

- 7) BACK PAIN - vertebral body & neural foramina

- 8) DYSPHAGIA - esophageal compression

### PARANEOPLASTIC

#### 1) ENDOCRINE

- Hypercalcemia (PTH-rP)
- Cushing's (ACTH)
- SIADH
- Carcinoid syndrome
- Gynecomastia (PRL, FSH, LH)
- Hypercalcitoninemia
- Hypoglycemia
- Hyperthyroidism

#### 2) NEUROLOGIC

- Encephalopathy
- Subacute cerebellar degeneration
- PML
- Peripheral neuropathy
- Polymyositis
- LEMS
- Optic neuritis

#### 3) SKELETAL

- Clubbing - HPOA

#### 4) HEMATOLOGICAL

- Leukemoid reaction
- Anemia / Red cell aplasia
- DIC / Hypercoagulable state

#### 5) CUTANEOUS

- Hyperkeratosis
- Acanthosis nigricans
- Dermatomyositis
- Erythema gyratum repens
- Hypertrichosis
- lanuginosa acquisita

#### 6) OTHER

- Nephritic Syndrome
- Hypoventilation
- Hyperamylasemia
- Anorexia
- Cachexia

### METASTATIC

Commonly metastasizes to

- CNS
- Vertebral bodies
- Bone
- Liver
- Adrenals
- Lung
- Skin
- Soft tissues

CNS mets - 10% of Ds

- headache
- nausea
- seizures
- FND

Spinal cord compression

- vertebral mets
- invasion of intervertebral foramen

Bony metastasis - lytic

Adrenal - adrenal hypofunction

## EVALUATION

- Chest X Ray
- CT chest & abdomen (upto adrenal glands)

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For primary

### Pathological diagnosis

- 1) Sputum Cytology - +ve in 60-80% centrally located  
20% peripherally located
- 2) Flexible fiberoptic bronchoscopy ± Endoscopic bronchial ultrasound
- 3) Percutaneous/ transbronchial needle biopsy
- 4) Other biopsies- peripheral LNs  
suspicious cutaneous nodules

### Metastatic / Staging Workup

- 1) PET-CT - for distant occult mets
  - restaging after neoadjuvant Rx
  - follow-up
- 2) Spinal MRI - lung Ca = back pain
- 3) Brain CT/ MRI - Routinely in SCLC  
Advanced NSCLC

### Mediastinoscopy

Routine pre-operative staging for NSCLC (Radiologic assessment inadequate)

- 5) Bone scan

### Fitness Workup

- Cardiac status - ECG, Echo
- Pulmonary status - PFT
  - Exercise testing
  - Quantitative perfusion lung scan

# STAGING - AJCC 8- TNM

T

$T_x$  - cannot be assessed  
 (No imaging / bronchoscopic e/o  $\oplus$  of malignant cells in sputum / bronchial washings)

$T_0$  - no e/o primary

$T_{is}$  

Adenocarcinoma in situ: pure lepidic pattern  $\leq 3\text{cm}$

$T_1$  
 $T_{1\text{mic}}$  - minimally invasive adenocarcinoma ( $< 5\text{mm}$  invasion)  $\leq 3\text{cm}$

$T_{1a}$  -  $\leq 1\text{cm}$

$T_{1b}$  -  $1-2\text{cm}$

$T_{1c}$  -  $2-3\text{cm}$

$\leq 3\text{cm}$  

- surrounded by lung / visceral pleura
- no bronchoscopic e/o invasion beyond lobar bronchus

$T_2$  
 $T_{2a}$  -  $3-4\text{cm}$

$T_{2b}$  -  $4-5\text{cm}$

$3-5\text{cm}$  

- Involves main bronchus but spares carina
- Invades visceral pleura
- a/c atelectasis / obstructive pneumonitis

$T_3$  -  $5-7\text{cm}$  / directly invading - parietal pleura  
 $5-7\text{cm}$  chest wall  
 phrenic nerve  
 parietal pericardium  
 / separate tumor nodules in same lobe as primary

$T_4$  -  $> 7\text{cm}$  / any size - invading - diaphragm  
 $> 7\text{cm}$  mediastinum  
 heart & great vessels  
 trachea / carina  
 R LN  
 esophagus  
 vertebral body  
 / separate tumor nodules in lobe different from primary  
 in same lung

$N$  
 $N_x$  - cannot be assessed

$N_0$  - no regional LNs

$N_1$  - ipsilateral peribronchial  
 hilae  
 intrapulmonary

$N_2$  - ipsilateral mediastinal  
 subcarinal

$N_3$  - contralateral hilar / mediastinal  
 / any scalene / supraclavicular

$M_0$  - no distant mets

$M_1a$  - contralateral lung  
 pleural / pericardial nodules  
 Malignant pleural / pericardial effusion

$M_1b$  - single extrathoracic mets

$M_1c$  - multiple extrathoracic mets

## GRADING

G<sub>x</sub> - cannot be assessed

G<sub>1</sub> - well differentiated

G<sub>2</sub> - moderately differentiated

G<sub>3</sub> - poorly differentiated

G<sub>4</sub> - undifferentiated

## STAGE GROUPING

Oncut Carcinoma - T<sub>x</sub> N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

Stage 0 - T<sub>is</sub> N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

Stage I  
IA<sub>1</sub> - { T<sub>1mic</sub> N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>  
T<sub>1a</sub> N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

IA<sub>2</sub> - T<sub>1b</sub> N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

IA<sub>3</sub> - T<sub>1c</sub> N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

IB - T<sub>2a</sub> N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

Stage II  
IIA - T<sub>2b</sub> N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

IIB - { T<sub>2a</sub>  
T<sub>3</sub> N<sub>1</sub> M<sub>0</sub>  
N<sub>0</sub> M<sub>0</sub>

Stage III  
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Stage IV  
IVA - Any T Any N M<sub>1a</sub> / M<sub>1b</sub>

IVB - Any T Any N M<sub>1c</sub>

# MANAGEMENT

## NON-SMALL CELL LUNG CANCER

Stage I, II upto 7 cm, No, N<sub>1</sub>, limited invasion

### Operable

↓ Sx is T0C  
Open  
~VATS / Robotic

### → SUBLBAR RESECTIONS

- Non anatomic Wedge resections
  - Segmentectomies
    - ↓ in elderly / frail pts
- (- risk of local failure vs physiological impact)

→ LOBECTOMY - procedure of choice when feasible

→ BILOBECTOMY

→ SLEEVE LOBECTOMY

→ PNEUMONECTOMY

Inoperable (Resectable but inoperable)  
↓  
↓ poor general condition of patient

- STEREOTACTIC BODY RADIOTHERAPY  
OR
- DEFINITIVE STANDARD FRACTIONATED RT  
OR
- CHEMORADIATION (especially in N<sub>2</sub> disease)  
↓  
do poorly in RT alone

I Lymphnode dissection → Complete Mediastinal LN dissection improves overall staging  
No proven survival benefit

→ Pancoast tumor (T<sub>1</sub>-T<sub>4</sub> N<sub>1</sub> M<sub>0</sub> - IIIB)  
- pre-op RT / CTRT

Extended resections- carinal resection, sleeve resection

Hemivertebrectomy + spine instrumentation for pancoast tumor

### Adjuvant CT

- Platinum based
- Stage IIa, IIb
- Stage Ib > 4cm

Targeted agents

### Adjuvant RT

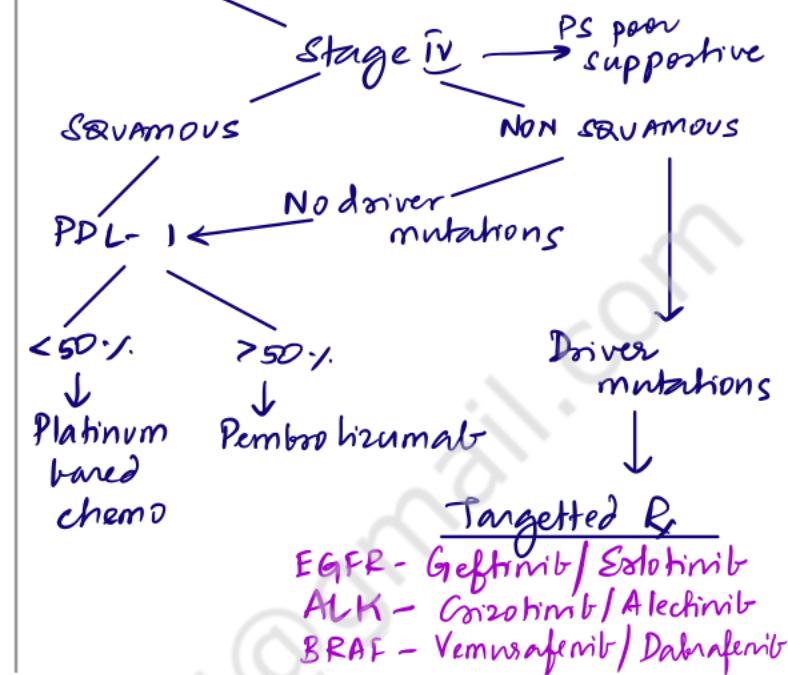
No added survival benefit in node negative or N<sub>1</sub> ≥ N<sub>2</sub> ✓

## Inoperable disease

### Locally advanced (Stage III)

- Malignant pleural effusion
- Superior Vena cava obstruction
- Supraclavicular / cervical nodes (HPE proven)
- RLN involvement
- Tracheal wall involvement / mainstem bronchus <2cm from carina

concurrent / sequential chemoradiotherapy  
or  
chemotherapy / chemoradiotherapy  
flb surgery



## SMALL CELL LUNG CANCER

poor prognosis

### LIMITED STAGE (<5%)

Combined modality Rx

- Concurrent CT + Thoracic RT
- Cisplatin + Etoposide
- Prophylactic cranial irradiation

In frequent but beneficial role of  
surgery in single  
peripheral pulmonary  
nodule in  
negative mediastinoscopy  
in good performance  
status

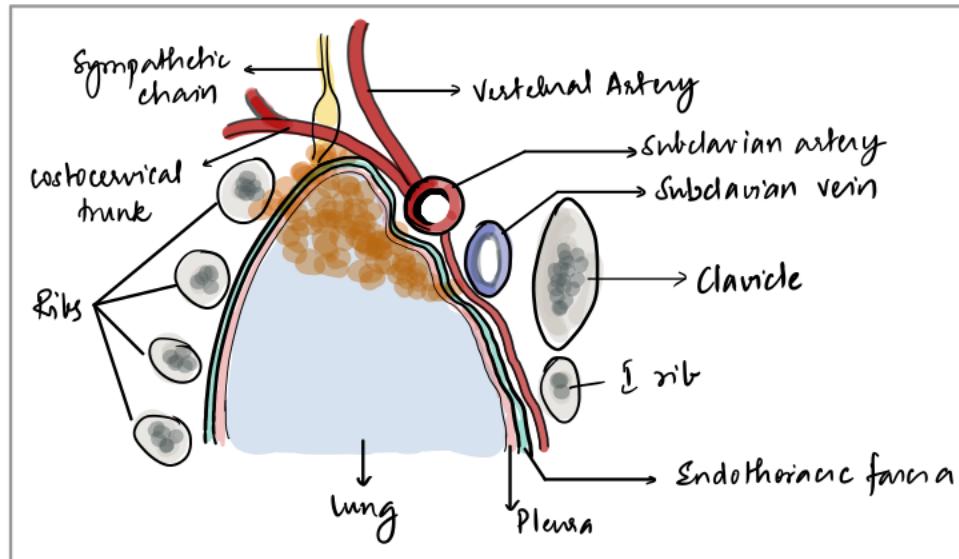
### EXTENSIVE

Chemo ↓

- Cisplatin + Etoposide
- Cyclophosphamide  
Doxorubicin  
Vincristine

# PANCOAST TUMOR

Pancoast tumors - pulmonary neoplasms present in the "SUPERIOR SULCUS"  
(APICAL PLEUROPULMONARY GROOVE)



arise from the  
posterior apical segment  
of the upper lobes

- extend into thoracic inlet

- m1c- NSCLC (95-1)

term should be reserved  
for tumors invading parietal  
pleura & beyond - ABOVE THE  
LEVEL OF 1 RIB

Due to extreme peripheral location of the tumor, it spreads to the chest wall structures rather than to the lung parenchyma

↓  
**Early local invasion**

## Clinical features

- 1) Apical chest wall / shoulder pain - involvement of Parietal Pleura, intercostal Ns (1 rib and chest wall)
- 2) Horner's Syndrome - dt invasion of stellate sympathetic ganglion
 

Unilateral anophthalmos  
ptosis  
miosis  
facial anhidrosis
- 3) Radicular Upper limb pain - dt invasion of T1, occasionally C8 brachial plexus nerve roots  
Atrophy of hand muscles
- 4) Edema - involvement of blood vessels & lymphatics

SVC, RLN, Vagus and phrenic nerve may be involved but do not represent classic Pancoast tumor

Extension into neck / vertebrae → bad prognosis

## EVALUATION

- Apex of lung - difficult to image because it is bounded laterally and posteriorly by first rib; posteriorly by vertebrae

Plain x-rays may not show any change

may see bony destruction in scapula/vertebrae / apical cap  
mediastinal widening in case of nodal spread

- CT / MRI ✓
  - ↳ mid staging
  - ↳ deciding operability

Bone involvement

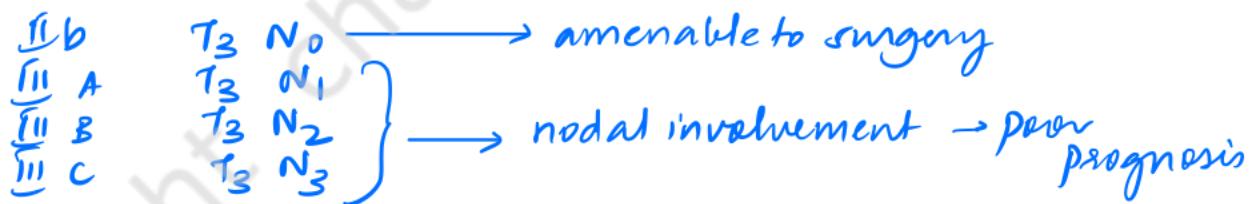
invasion of brachial plexus, chest wall, vena cava, trachea,  
esophagus, subclavian vessels

Mediastinal adenopathy

- Sputum cytology }  
Bronchoscopy }
- unreliable - ∵ tumor is peripherally located

- FNAC ✓

Stage can be IIb to IIIC



## MANAGEMENT

Metastatic /  $\geq N_2$  disease - DEFINITIVE CHEMORADIATION

Operable → Poor PS

→ Concurrent Induction chemo (Cisplatin + Etoposide) + RT - 45 Gy  $\times$  5 weeks



Surgery - Thoracotomy

en-bloc chest wall resection

Lobectomy

chest wall reconstruction

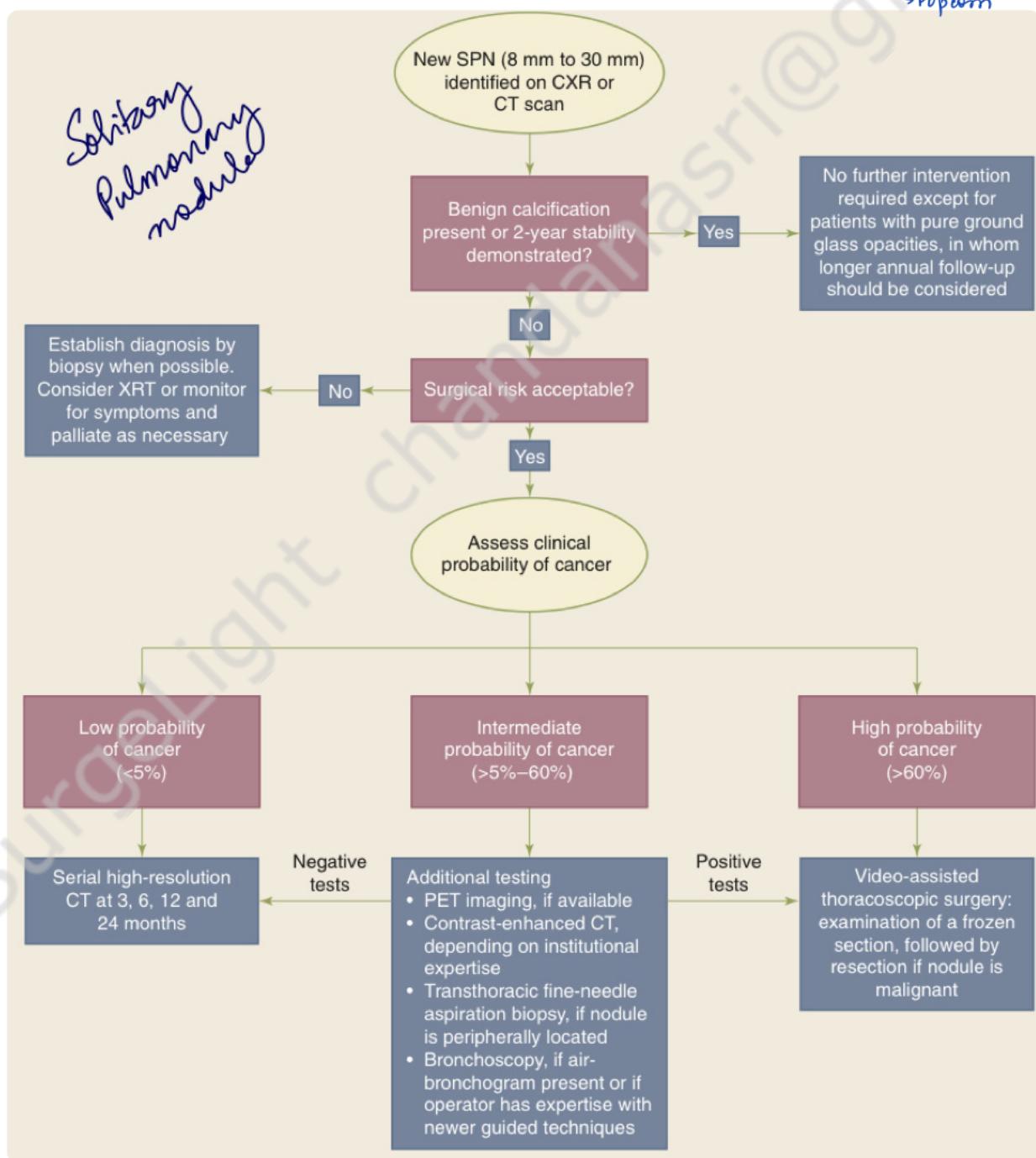
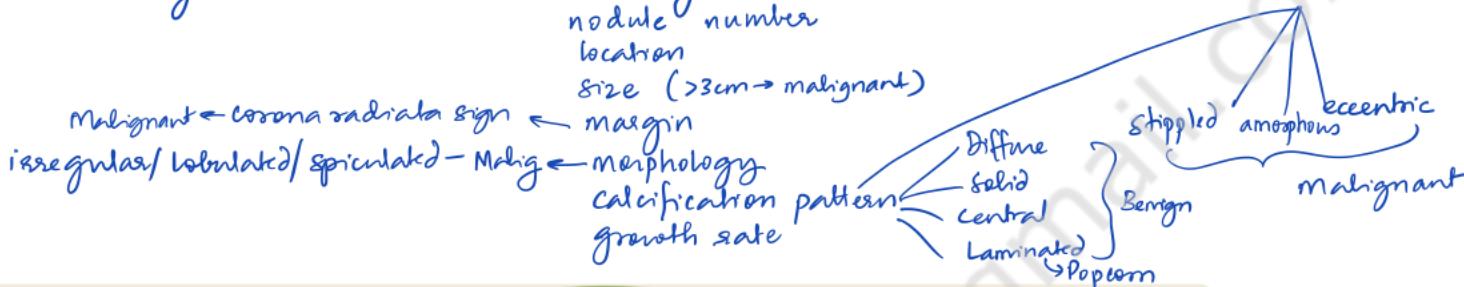
# SOLITARY PULMONARY NODULE

single, well circumscribed spherical lesion  $\leq 3\text{cm}$  completely surrounded by normal aerated lung parenchyma

[No lung atelectasis/hilar enlargement]  
pleural effusion

Significance - to determine the likelihood of the nodule being malignant

SPN on x-ray - should be characterised by CT



# SURGERY IN PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS

## INDICATIONS

- SURGICAL THERAPY may be considered when medical therapy fails
- persistent TB in spite remains + surgically correctable residua  
↓
- 1) Open positive cavity despite 3-6m ATT especially in MDR-TB
- 2) Destroyed lung, atelectasis, bronchiectasis, bronchostenosis amenable to resection
- 3) Open negative cavities if thick-walled, slow response, unreliable patient
- 4) Intracavitary aspergillosis
- 5) To obtain tissue for definitive diagnosis - exclusion of cancer
- 6) Complications of pulmonary scarring
  - Massive hemoptysis
  - Cavernomas
- 7) Pleural tuberculosis
- 8) Extrapulmonary thoracic involvement

The governing principle of mycobacterial surgery is to remove all gross disease while preserving any uninvolved lung tissue

Antitubercular medications should be given pre-operatively × 3m & post-operatively for 12-24m

## PROCEDURES

- 1) EXCISION OF DISEASED LUNG TISSUE
- 2) DRAINAGE
  - CATHETER DRAINAGE  
OF PUS
  - CAVERNOSTOMY / OPEN DRAINAGE
- 3) COLLAPSE THERAPY
  - Historical - preantibiotic era - mainstream of treating CAVITARY TB
  - Artificial pneumothorax & air refills
  - phrenic nerve crush
  - Thoracoplasty
  - Extrapleural pleurodesis

# EMPYEMA THORACIS

Empyema - infection of the pleural space - 'purulent pleural effusion'

## PATHOGENESIS

CONTAMINATION FROM A SOURCE CONTIGUOUS TO THE PLEURAL SPACE (50-60%)

- Lung (Parapneumonic effusion)
- Mediastinum (Mediastinitis)
- Deep cervical area (infection)
- Chest wall & spine
- Subphrenic area (abscess)

DIRECT INOCULATION OF THE PLEURAL SPACE (30-40%)

- Minor thoracic interventions
- Post-operative infections (Bronchopleural fistula after lobectomy / pneumonectomy)
- Penetrating chest injuries

HEMATOGENOUS INFECTION (<1%)

- Systemic sepsis

organisms enter the pleural space

Influx of polymorphonuclear cells  
exudative fluid } all inflammatory response

overwhelms pleural lymphatics

INFECTIVE FLUID IN PLEURAL SPACE

→ Initially - free flowing and thin

## THORACOCENTESIS

- pH > 7.3  
- Glucose > 60mg/dL - LDH (↓) - < 500U/L

## Antibiotics

✓ Clinical Response  
Complete lung expansion

## Persistent

pH < 7.2, Glucose < 40mg/dL

✗ COMPLETE DRAINAGE during early stage (Thoracocentesis)

## FIBRINOPURULENT STAGE

Rx - Tube thoracostomy in closed system drainage  
- Drainage = thoracoscopy

## Pleural Peel

- initially flimsy - easy to peel
- thick pleural sinus → trapped lung

Failure / high risk

needs complete decortication by thoracoscopy / thoracotomy to enable re-expansion

Rx - Open drainage, rib resection, prolonged packing  
- delayed closure = muscle flaps / thoracoplasty - Rarely Pleuropneumonectomy

## COMPLICATIONS

Empyema thoracis necessitans

↓  
Extension of pleural empyema out of thorax

↓ into

Subcutaneous tissues of chest wall (m/c)

# LUNG ABSCESS

- Localised area of pulmonary parenchymal necrosis caused by an infective organism
- tissue destruction results in a solitary / dominant cavity measuring  $\geq 2\text{cm}$  in diameter  
(Multiple cavities  $< 2\text{cm}$   $\rightarrow$  NECROTISING PNEUMONIA)
- Abscess  $> 6$  weeks = chronic

## PATHOGENESIS

### PRIMARY

- in immunocompromised patients  
d/t infection by highly virulent organisms / aspiration of oropharyngeal / gastrointestinal secretions

Necrotizing pulmonary infection

#### A. NECROTISING PNEUMONIA

Staph aureus  
Klebsiella, Pseudomonas  
Mycobacterium  
Bacillus, Fusobacterium, Actinomyces  
Entamoeba  
Echinococcus

#### B. ASPIRATION PNEUMONIA

Anesthesia  
Stroke  
Drugs, alcohol

#### C. Esophageal Disease

Achalasia  
Zenker's diverticulum  
GERD

#### D. Immunodeficiency

Cancer  
Chemotherapy  
Diabetes  
Organ transplantation  
Steroid therapy  
Malnutrition

## LUNG ABSCESS

### SECONDARY

- in patients with an underlying condition
  - Partial bronchial obstruction
  - lung infarct
- Adjacent suppurative infections (Suphrenic / Liver abscess)

#### A. BRONCHIAL OBSTRUCTION

↓  
Neoplasm  
Foreign body

#### B. SYSTEMIC SEPSIS

- ↓
  - Septic pulmonary embolism
  - Seeding of pulmonary infarct

#### C. Complication of Pulmonary trauma

- Infection of hematoma or contusion
- Contaminated FB / penetrating injury

#### D. Direct extension of Extraparenchymal infection

- Pleural empyema
- Mediastinal abscess
- Liver abscess
- Subphrenic abscess

## Clinical features

- Productive cough
- Fever  $>38.9^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Chills
- Leukocytosis
- Weight loss
- Fatigue, Malaise
- Pleuritic chest pain
- Dyspnea
  
- PUTRID, FOUL-SMELLING SPUTUM

May present in an indolent fashion also

Aspiration  $\xrightarrow{1-2 \text{ weeks}}$  CAVITATION

Rupture into pleural space  $\rightarrow$  pyopneumothorax

Rupture into bronchial tree  $\rightarrow$  Massive hemoptysis  
endobronchial spread to other areas of lungs

## Evaluation

- CXR - thin walled cavity  $\in$  air-fluid level
  - $\hookrightarrow$  communication  $\in$  tracheobronchial tree
- CT -  $\to$  to do
  - { endobronchial obstruction
  - Associated mass
  - Cavitating lung cancer
  - Loculated/ Interlobar empyema
  - Infected lung cysts / bullae / bronchiectasis
  - Fungal infections
  - Necrotising granulomas - Wegener's
- Culture of aspirates
- Evaluation of i/c - HIV  
 $T_2DM$



## MANAGEMENT

1) Systemic antibiotics - mainstay (3-12 weeks)  
treat till cavity resolves

- $\beta$ -lactams
- Clindamycin

Drainage usually occurs spontaneously via tracheobronchial tree

## 2) INDICATIONS FOR SURGICAL DRAINAGE

- 1) Failure of medical therapy
- 2) Abscess under tension
- 3) Contralateral lung contamination
- 4) > 4-6cm
- 5) Rupture / Pyopneumothorax
- 6) Inability to exclude a cavitating carcinoma

### PROCEDURES

- External Drainage - TUBE THORACOSTOMY  
IMAGE GUIDED THORACOSTOMY TUBES
- Surgical Resection
  - Required in <10% cases
  - LOBECTOMY - procedure of choice for
    - bleeding from lung abscesses
    - pyopneumothorax
  - INTRA-OPERATIVELY - Contralateral lung should be protected with a
    - double lumen tube
    - bronchial blocker
    - Contralateral main stem intubation

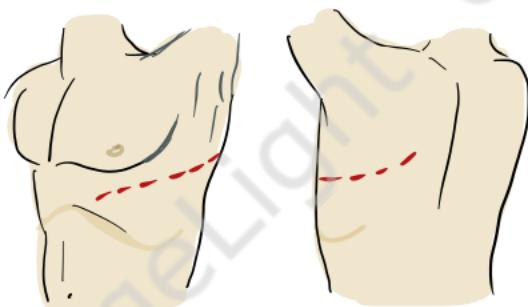
# SURGICAL APPROACHES TO THE THORAX

- VIDEO - ASSISTED THORACIC SURGERY (VATS)
- ROBOT - ASSISTED THORACIC SURGERY (RATS)

2-4 (0.5-1.5cm) incisions for  
 - access / view  
 - dissection  
 - Retraction

Endoscopic staplers are used for the division of major vascular structures and bronchial elements

- becoming the recommended approach for
- treatment of pleural effusions, recurrent pneumothoraces
- lung biopsies
- lobectomies, pneumonectomies
- Segmental resections
- Resection of bronchogenic/mediastinal cysts
- intrathoracic esophageal mobilization for esophagectomies



POSTEROLATERAL THORACOTOMY

## OPEN SURGICAL APPROACHES

### 1) POSTEROLATERAL THORACOTOMY

- for most pulmonary resections
- esophageal operations
- operations in posterior mediastinum
- vertebral column

### 2) ANTEROLATERAL THORACOTOMY

- in trauma victims
- allows quick access into chest when patient is supine
- (lateral decubitus compromises resuscitation)

### 3) 'CLAMSHELL' THORACOTOMY

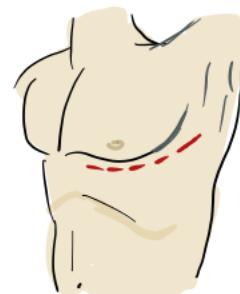
- Bilateral anterolateral thoracotomy
- ≡ TRANSVERSE STERNOTOMY
- for heart & mediastinum

### 4) 'HEMICLAMSHELL'/'TRAPDOOR' THORACOTOMY

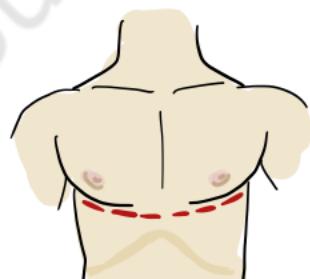
- Anterior thoracotomy + Partial median sternotomy - mediastinal access

### 5) MEDIAN STERNOTOMY

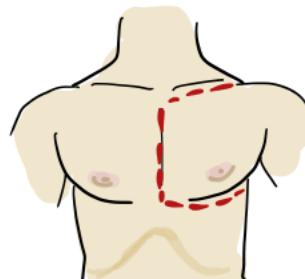
- exposure of anterior mediastinum
- ↳ m/c used for cardiac surgery



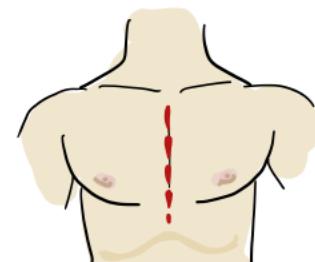
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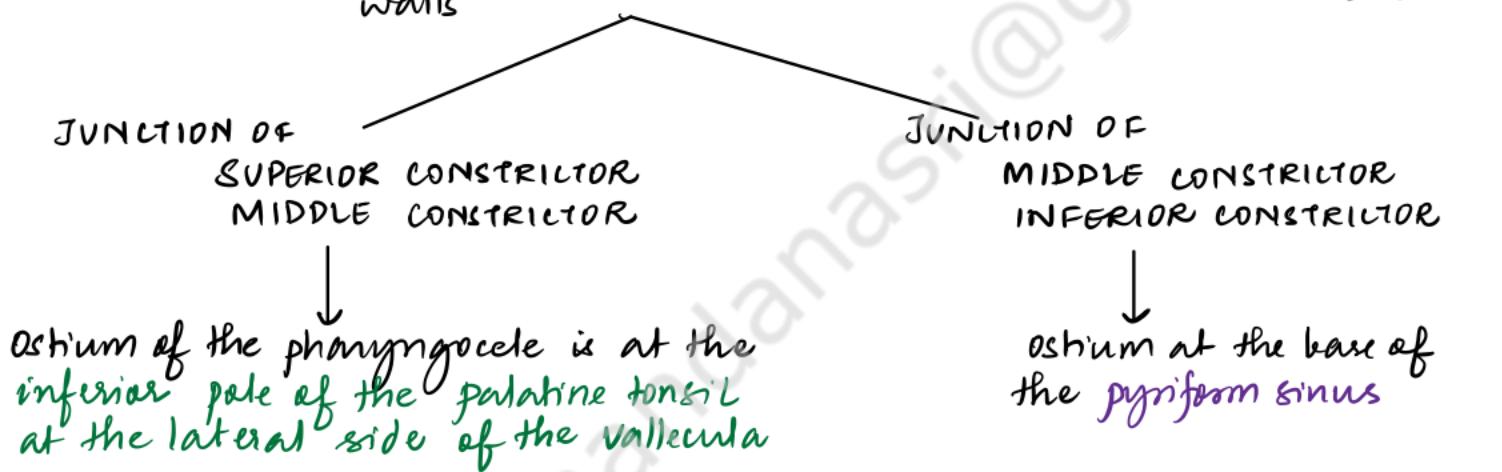
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MEDIAN STERNOTOMY

## PHARYNGOCELE

- outpouching of the pharynx resulting from the herniation of the lateral pharyngeal walls.
- Multifactorial
  - ↓
    - ↑ Intraphasyngngeal pressure
    - Loss of pharyngeal muscle resilience - aging
- Men > Women
- 5th-6th decade
- LOCATION: 2 areas of anatomical weakness of Lateral pharyngeal walls



Symptoms - Dysphagia

Regurgitation

Barium swallow

MRI for large pharyngoceles

Rx - Excision & Repair

can add pharyngeal diverticula

Zenker

Laimer