

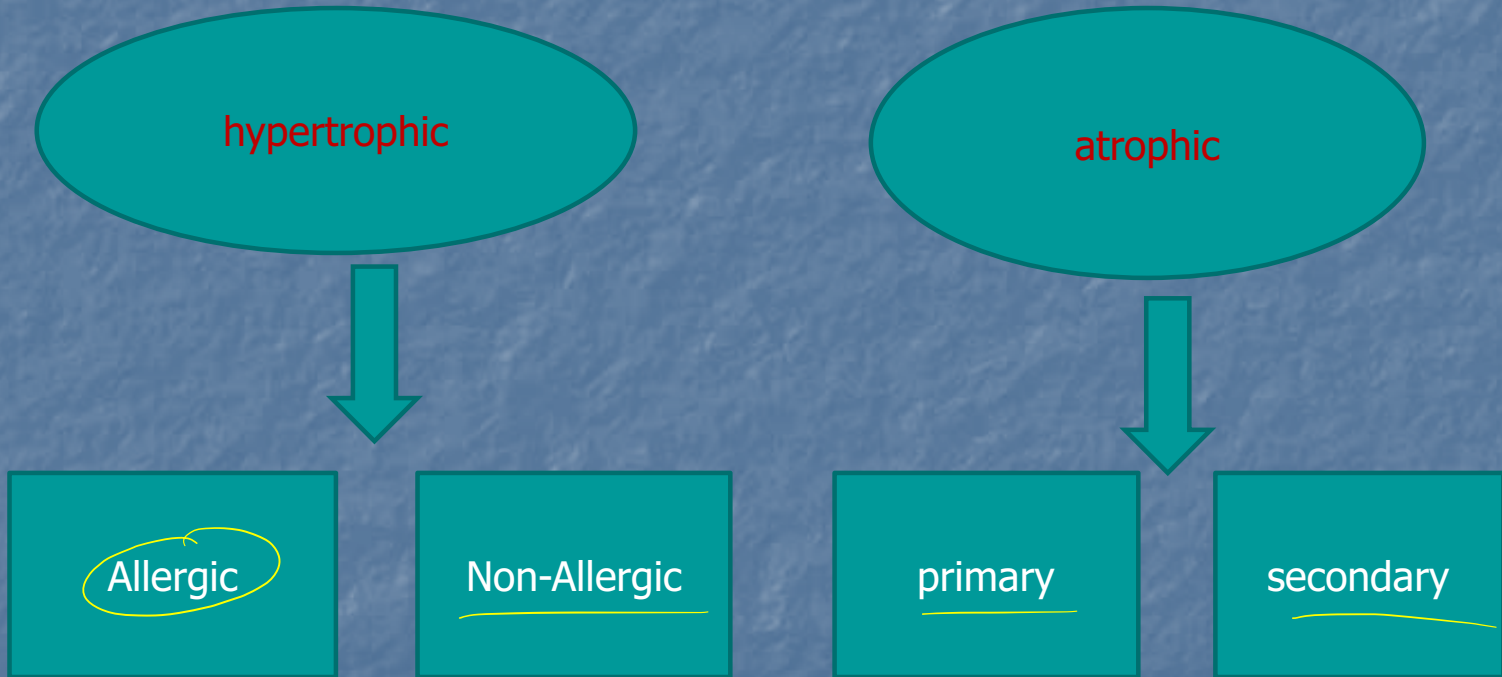
# CHRONIC NON-INFECTIVE RHINOSINUSITIS

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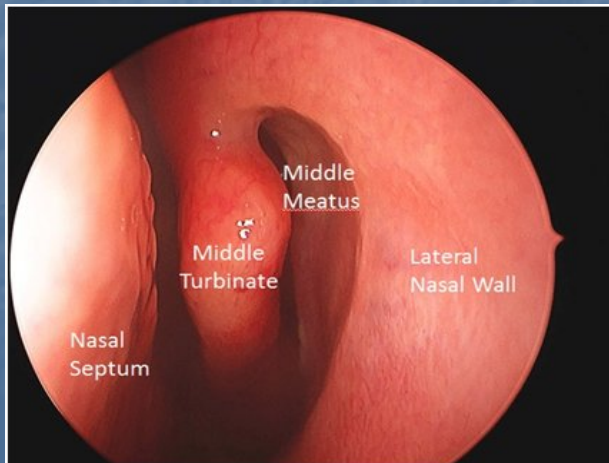
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# Chronic non-infective rhinosinusitis



# Atrophic Rhinitis

- It is rare disease in Jordan, but more common in tropical countries like India and the prevalence there is 1%.
- It **affects young females more than males**
- It is also known as ozaena → *foul smell*
- There is localized (rhinitis sicca) and diffuse forms



# Types of Atrophic Rhinitis

## ❑ A. Primary atrophic rhinitis

**Causes;** Low hygiene, hormonal, nutritional deficiencies, autoimmunity, hereditary, infective

## ❑ B. Secondary atrophic rhinitis

### Causes

*→ we know the cause*

- ❖ Post surgical (removal of turbinates)
- ❖ Traumatic
- ❖ Post radiotherapy
- ❖ Post chronic granulomatous diseases

**commonest microorganisms found in Atrophic Rhinitis;**

Klebsiella ozenae, coccobacillus, diphtheroids

# Clinical features of Atrophic Rhinitis

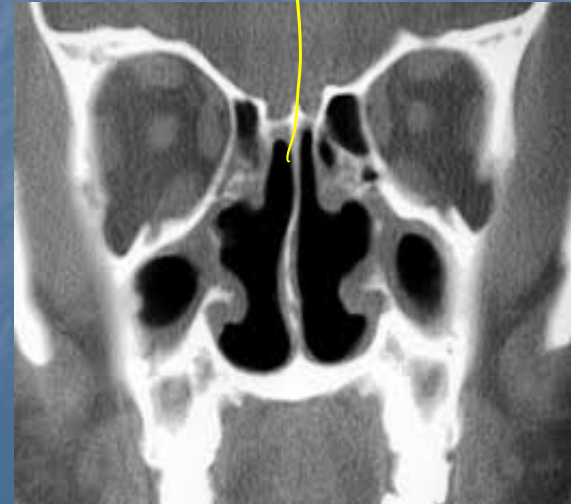
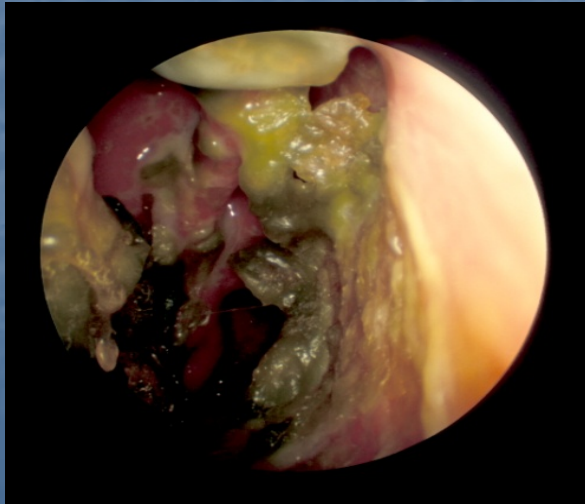
*Diffuse* → in young female

- Anosmia
- Ozena (foul smell from the nose)
- Extensive nasal crusting
- Nasal blockage ⇒ from the accumulation of crust
- Epistaxis
- Subjective nasal congestion
- Enlargement of the nasal cavity
- Resorption of turbinates
- Depression

*granulomas ddx:  
stewart's, wegener's*

# Diagnosis

- Clinical features
- Endoscopy and Biopsy
- radiology



# Treatment

## ❑ Medical treatment

❖ Local : Lubricants, Alkaline nasal washes, antibacterials

❖ Systemic : Oral antibiotics, Replacement therapy

## ❑ Surgical treatment

# Local therapy

- Irrigations with:  
Saline, Sodium bicarbonate, Antibiotic solution  
(Gentamycin solution 80mg/L)
- Anti-drying agents(lubricating):  
Glycerin, Mineral Oil
- local antibiotics
- Local placental extracts??



# Systemic treatment

- Oral antibiotics:

Tetracycline, Ciprofloxacin, Streptomycin

- ⊗ **Medications avoidance:**

Vasoconstrictors, Topical steroids

- ⊗ Replacement Therapy;

Vitamin A, potassium iodide, iron therapy, estrogen

# Surgical treatment

- Young's procedure:

- Circumferential flap elevation 1 cm cephalic to the alar rim. flap to close one nostril and the other side after 3-6 months
- Implants placed submucosally along the septum and nasal floor
- ❖ Cervical sympathectomy

- Non-surgical nasal closure:

silastic obturator

# Chronic non-allergic non-infective Rhinosinusitis

- Disturbance of autonomic innervation of the nose and sinuses is the underlying mechanism of all these forms
- All present with nasal blockage and rhinorrhea
- Careful history and proper examination helps in the diagnosis
- Almost all responding well to intranasal steroids

# Non-allergic Non-infective Rhinosinusitis

- **Vasomotor** → vasoconstriction (عطلة حركة) & vasodilatation
- **Drug induced:**
  - **Alpha and beta blockers, decongestants, NSAIDs, cocaine**
- **Hormonal:**
  - **pregnancy, hypothyroidism, honey-moon rhinitis**
- **Mechanical irritation:**
  - **Smoking, colds, formaldehyde, glues**
- **Senile** → B2 transferrin scavenger or  $\gamma$ -CT to differentiate with CSF rhinorrhea
- **Eosinophilic** → glucose  
negative skin prick test

\* They all work on the autonomic regulation of the nose & paranasal sinuses

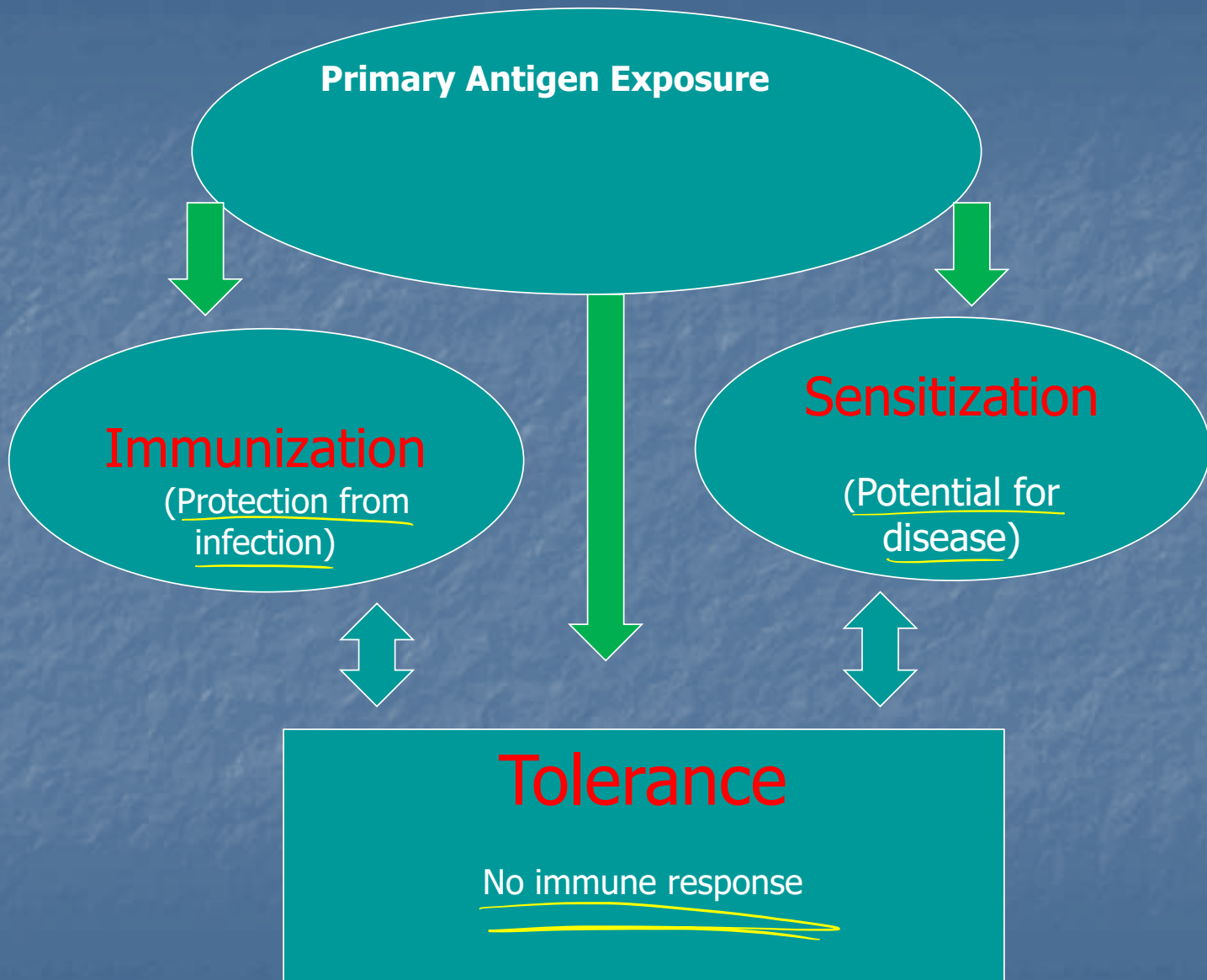
# Allergic Rhinitis

## Definition;

It is an IgE mediated hypersensitivity Reaction of the nose to a foreign substance that is characterized by **bouts of sneezing, nasal congestion and rhinorrhea.**

M&F equally affected

less in Africans



# Epidemiology

- 10-40% of population world wide affected and the prevalence is yearly increasing.
- More common among developed countries
- More common in children
- Males and females are equally affected
- It is the most common allergic condition
- 75% of patients with bronchial asthma have allergic rhinitis

# Etiology and predisposing factors

- **Genetic Factor**

Parent with allergy

one parent

two parents

% Chance of disease

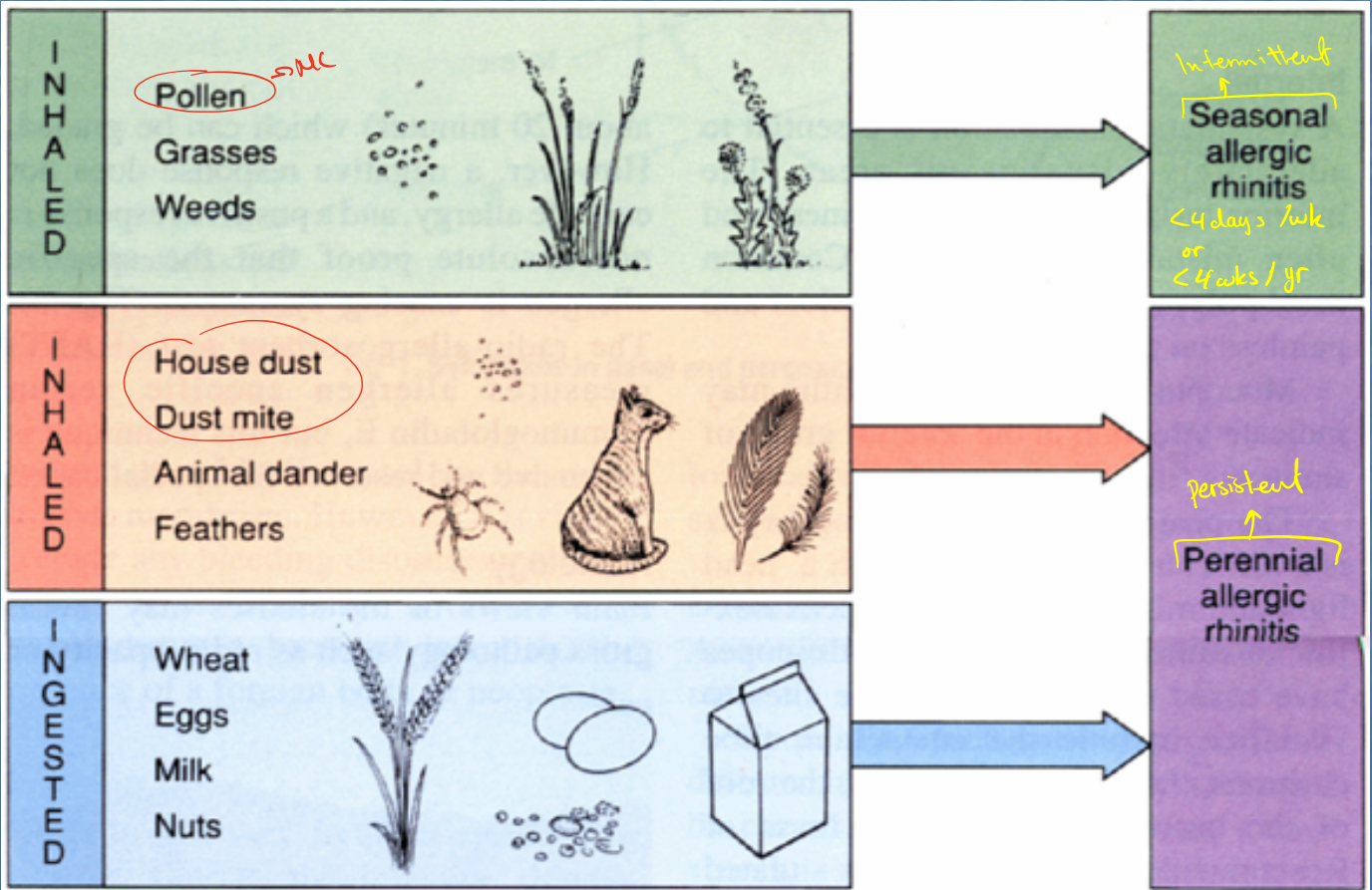
20-40

40-70

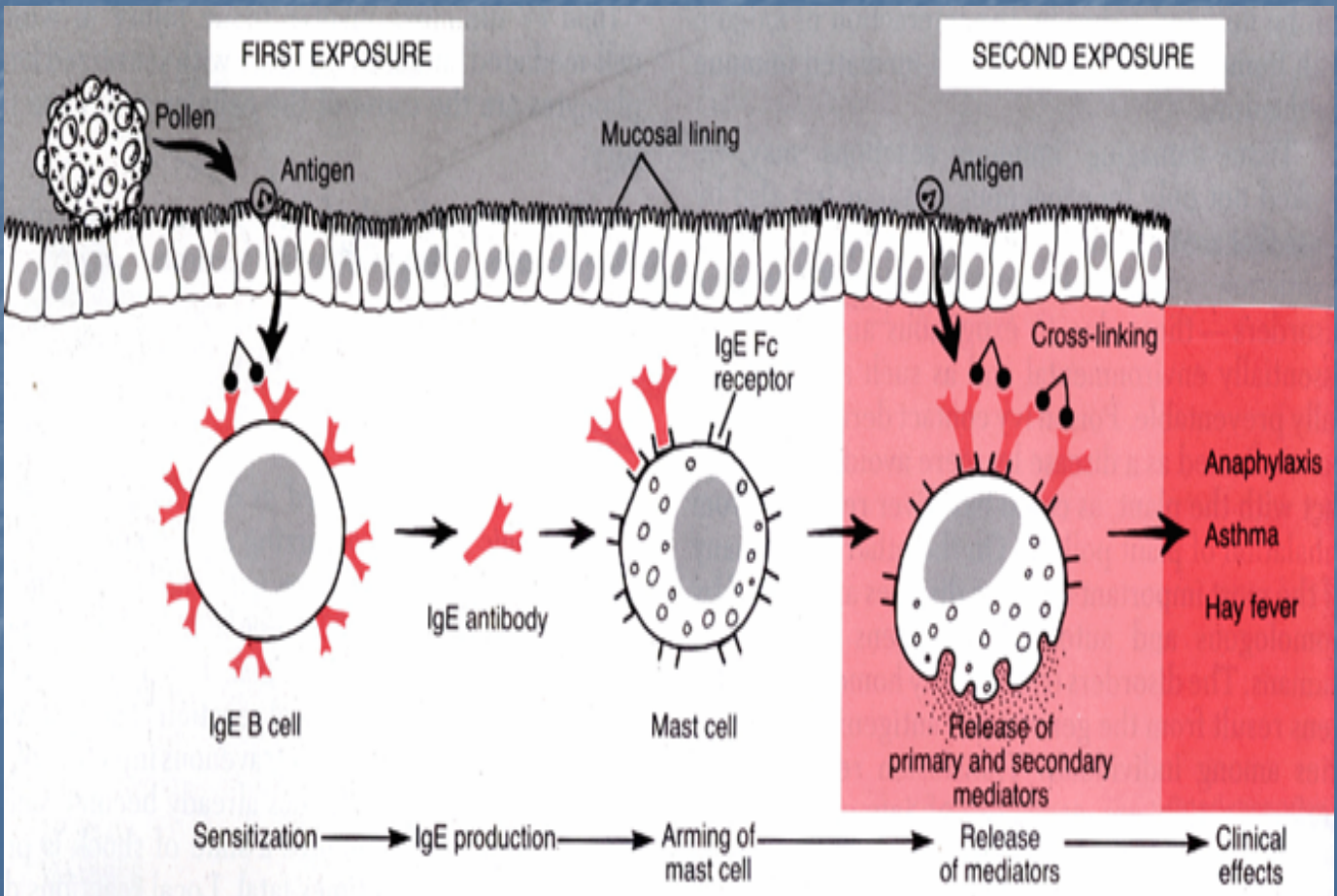
- **Month of the birth**
- **Infant feeding practices**
- **Infection in childhood**
- **Environmental factors (pollution)**
- **Immunization**
- **Excess hygiene**



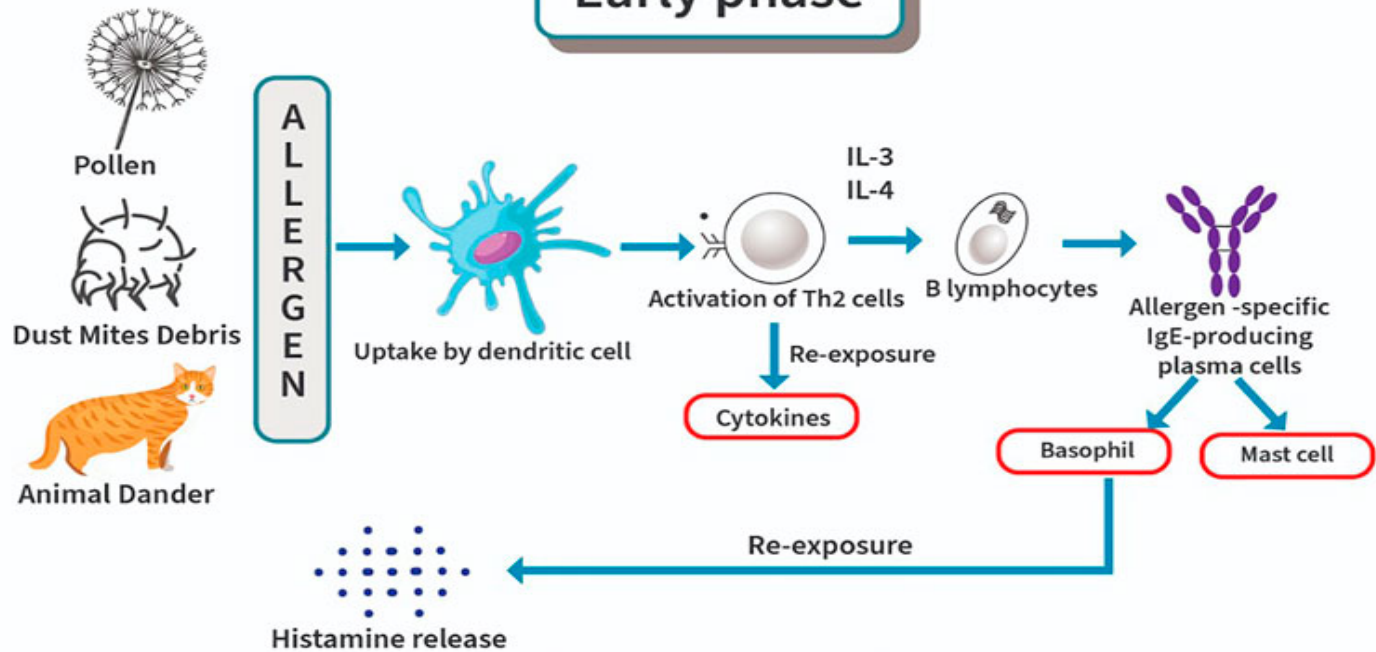
# Common Allergens



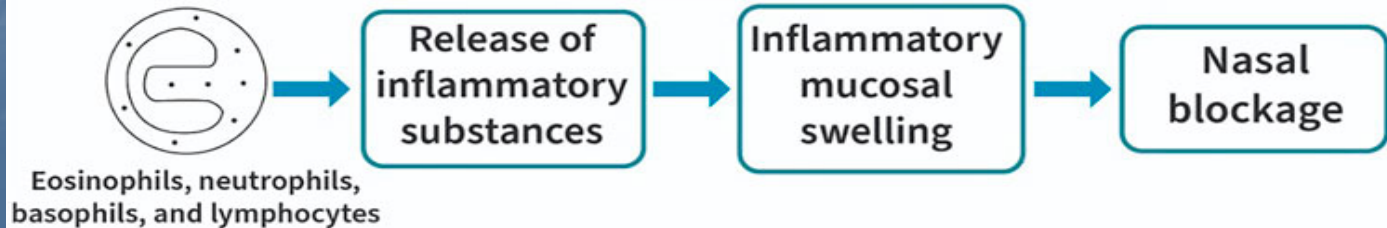
# Pathophysiology



## Early phase



## Late phase



# Mechanism of sensitizing lymphocytes

- Inhaled particles (allergens) (triggers) complement pathways
- complement pathways (stimulates) macrophages (leads) to phagocytosis
- Phagocytosis **generates** cytokines
- Cytokines + antigens **leads** to the formation of histocompatibility complexes on the cell surface
- histocompatibility complex **cause** sensitisation of T-Lymphocytes
- Sensitized T-lymphocytes **stimulates** T helper Lymphocytes
- T- helper lymphocytes **stimulates** B - lymphocytes (results in) secretion of Immunoglobulin ( IgA, IgD, IgM, IgG, IgE ) .
- IgE **combines** with receptors on Mast Cells and Basophiles causing sensitized state=

# Diagnosis

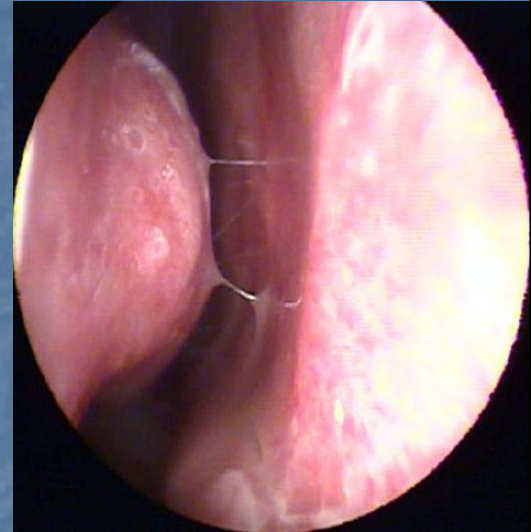
- History
  - Hx of typical symptoms
  - Family hx
  - Bronchial asthma / atopy
  - Seasonal variations
- Physical examination
- Investigations

# Symptoms of AR

- Sneezing, Nasal itching
- Nasal congestion (stuffy blocked nose)
- Watery nasal discharge
- Itchy, watery eyes
- **Postnasal drip**
- **Itching in the palate**

# Physical Changes of AR

- Pale blue, edematous turbinate's
- Clear, watery nasal discharge
- Crease from nasal salute
- Lymphoid hyperplasia
- Watery, itchy eyes
- Cobble-stone pharynx



# Cobble-stone pharynx





# Investigations

- Serum IgE
- Serum Eosinophils
- Nasal smear for Eosinophils
- Skin Prick Test → MC done test
- RAST
- Nasal Challenge Test

**(the most sensitive and specific test)**

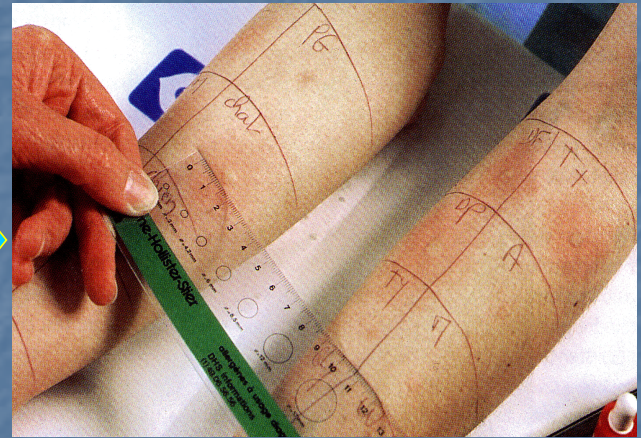
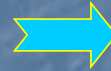
But usually not done bcs it can cause anaphylaxis

# Skin prick testing

- The **most commonly done test**
- The simplest and most effective test for immediate-type allergy diagnosis
- Skin tests are cheap and quick to perform
- Very safe when using inhalant allergen for asthma or rhinitis diagnosis
- Standardized extracts available
- The results are clear and very informative for the patient and relatives

# Measurement of the wheal reaction

**15 – 20 minutes after testing**



# Skin tests validation

Negative control (Saline) : negative

Positive control (Histamine): > 3 mm

**Allergen test**

**< 3 mm  
mm**

**SPT negative**

**≥ 3**

**SPT positive**

# Differential Diagnosis

- **Non allergic:**

- Changes in weather, changes in temperature, lack of humidity
- Strong odors, cigarette smoke, irritants (LPR/GERD), hormonal rhinitis, vasomotor rhinitis, drug induced rhinitis,

- **Acute Infectious:** viral , bacterial , fungal ,

aspergillus or candida

- **Chronic rhinosinusitis**

- **Cystic fibrosis**

- **Mucociliary defects**

- **Cerebrospinal rhinorrhea**

- **Granulomas:** Sarcoid , Wegener's , Midline Stewart granuloma

# Allergic Rhinitis and its Impact on Asthma (ARIA)

## Classification



### Intermittent

- < 4 days per week
- or < 4 weeks



### Persistent

- $\geq 4$  days per week
- and  $\geq 4$  weeks

### Mild

normal sleep  
& no impairment of daily activities, sport, leisure  
& normal work and school  
& no troublesome symptoms

### Moderate-severe

*one or more items*

- abnormal sleep
- impairment of daily activities, sport, leisure
- abnormal work and school
- troublesome symptoms

# Allergic Rhinitis and Quality of Life



**Mild  
intermittent**

**Mild  
persistent**

**Moderate/  
severe  
intermittent**

**Moderate/  
severe  
persistent**

Quality of life not altered

Quality of life altered

Sleep disturbance, Fatigue, Poor concentration, Irritability

Limited activities, Missed days of work or school

Allergen  
Avoidance

*Best treatment option*

Patient  
Education



Specific  
Immunothera  
py

Pharmacotherapy  
*\* Best is intranasal  
steroids*



# Control Indoor Allergens

## ■ Dust mite allergens:

### ■ Effective:

- encase pillows
- encase mattresses and box springs
- wash bedding weekly
- remove stuffed animals, toys from bed
- vacuum weekly (with mask and avoid room afterwards)
- use quality vacuum

## ■ More difficult or unproven changes:

- reduce indoor relative humidity
- replace carpets with wood flooring
- replace upholstered furniture with leather, vinyl or wood
- replace draperies
- avoid living in basements

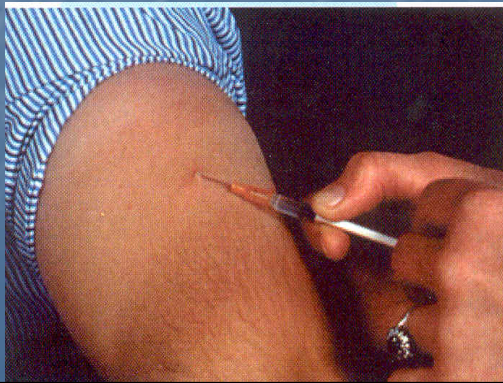
# Control of Outdoor Allergens:



- Using a face mask during house cleaning, gardening, outdoor sports, and other activities can reduce your exposure to dust and mold allergens.
- It is important to select a well fitting model to avoid inadequate seals

# Desensitization (Immunotherapy)

- is the process of administering increasing doses of an allergen.
- Treatment is designed to render an allergy patient less sensitive to offending antigen or antigens
- Complete elimination of the allergy reaction is seldom, if ever achieved.



# Specific Immunotherapy (Desensitization)

- ❖ Commonly to these substances:
  - Wasp/Bee venom allergy
  - Pollen allergy
  - House dust mites allergy
  - Cat / Dog allergy
  - Molds allergy

# Limitations of Immunotherapy usage

- Not in use if there is more than one allergen
- Success rate is not high (60-70%)
- Recurrence rate is high
- Expensive
- Compliance of patients for long usage(2-3 years) is not usually guaranteed

# Pharmacotherapy

↓  
*Just symptomatic treatment ⇒ does not cure*

## ■ The following drugs are in use for allergic rhinitis:

✓ **Antihistamines** ⇒ *MC used*

✓ Decongestants

✓ **Intranasal corticosteroids** ⇒ *Most effective*

✓ Systemic steroids

✓ Intranasal cromolyn

✓ Anticholinergics

✓ Antileukotriens

✓ Anti IgE

⇒ *used in bronchial asthma & nasal polyposis*

# Antihistamines

- They also block H1 receptors
- They are the most commonly used preparation for allergic rhinitis
- More helpful in mild form of AR
- Mainly reducing hypersecretions
- New generations have less side effects, rapid and longer action, non-sedating effect and non anticholinergic effects

# “Non-Sedating” Antihistamines:

- Loratidine
- Desloratidine
- fexofenadine
- Cetirizine
- levocitrizine



# Intranasal Corticosteroids

- They are the most effective drugs for treatment of nasal symptoms of allergic rhinitis
- With continued use block the hypersensitivity of the nasal mucosa. Decreasing symptoms and congestion
- Side effects; dryness, bad taste

# Intranasal corticosteroids

- Beclomethasone
- Budesonide
- Fluticasone furoate
- Mometasone furoate *Most used*
- Fluticasone propionate
- Triamcinolone

# Corticosteroids

## Oral and Injectable

*not advisable*

- Corticosteroids block early in AA metabolism to stop inflammatory mediators
- Prednisone: 1 mg/ kg a day (60-80 mg)
  - x 7 days to 2 weeks
- Methylprednisolone Medrol-Dosepak
  - 5 day taper
- Hydrocortisone: 200-500 mg
- Dexamethasone: Decadron®
  - 4-10 mg a day
- Triamcinolone Acetonide: Kenalog®
  - 40-80 mg IM- long acting salt form lasts for 2-3 months
- Inexpensive- except Dr. visit and fees
- Most new practitioners more reluctant to administer

## Leukotriene agents

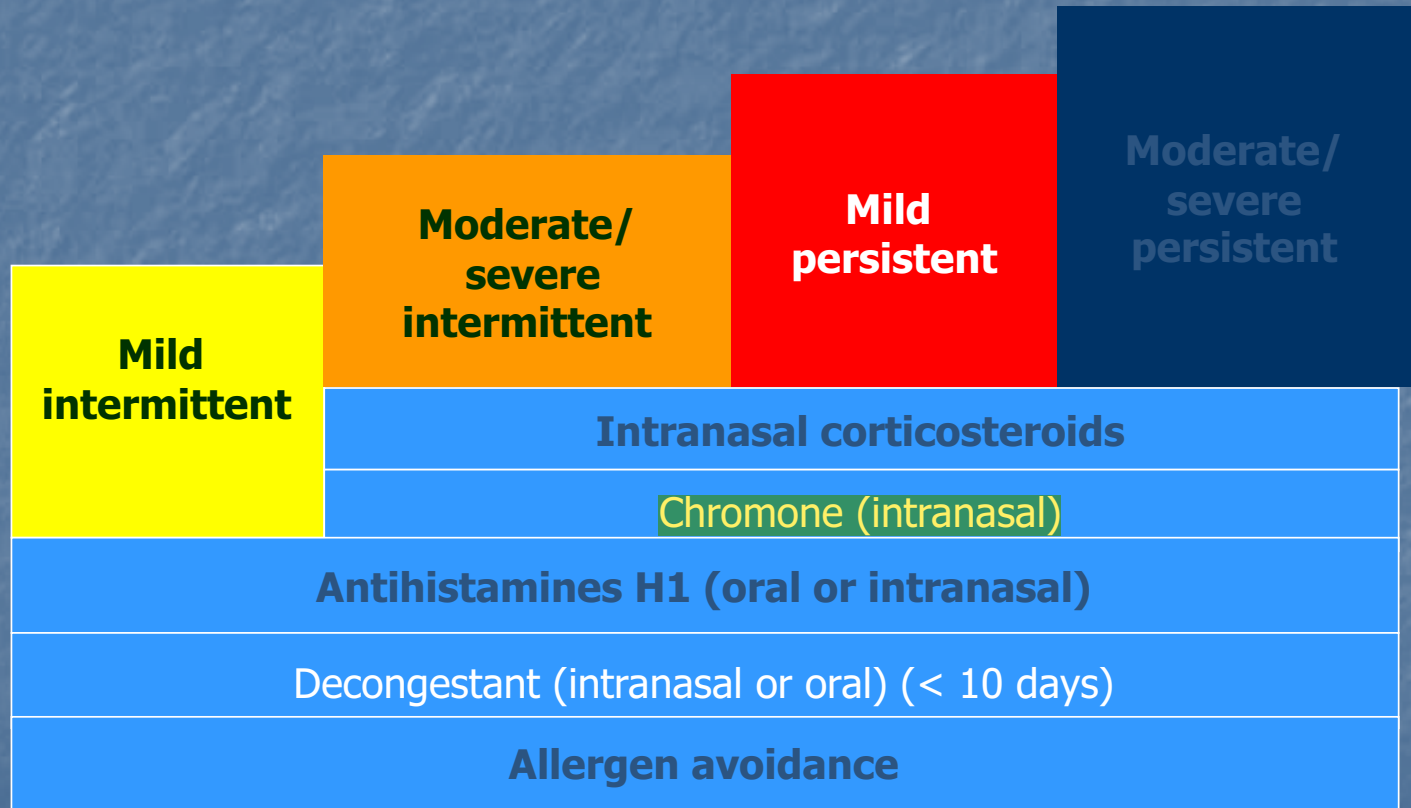
- Marginal efficacy for seasonal allergies
  - 10 mg adults
  - 5 mg children
  - 2-4 mg for infants
- Montelukast (Singulair)®
- Zifurlukast (Accolate)®

## Cell Stabilizers

- Cromolyn Sodium Intal®
  - 2 puffs each nostril four times a day
- Best if start 2-4 weeks before allergy time of the year
- NO side effects



# PHARMACOTHERAPY FOR ALLERGIC RHINITIS (according to ARIA guidelines)



# Actions of Various Nasal Preparations in the Treatment of Allergic Rhinitis

Nasal Preparation	Sneezing	Itching	Rhinorrhoea	Congestion
Antihistamines	+++++	++++	+++	0
Anticholinergics	0	0	+++++	0
Corticosteroids	+++++	+++++	+++	+++
Decongestants	0	0	+	+++++
Mast cell stabiliser	+++++	+++	+	0
Antileukotrienes	+++	++	0	++++

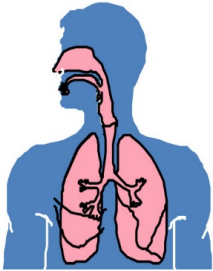
# Comorbid conditions Associated with Allergic Rhinitis

- Bronchial asthma
- Otitis media with effusion *very common*
- Rhinosinusitis
- Nasal polyps
- Maxillo-facial abnormalities
- Psychologic dysfunction
- Anxiety
- Depression

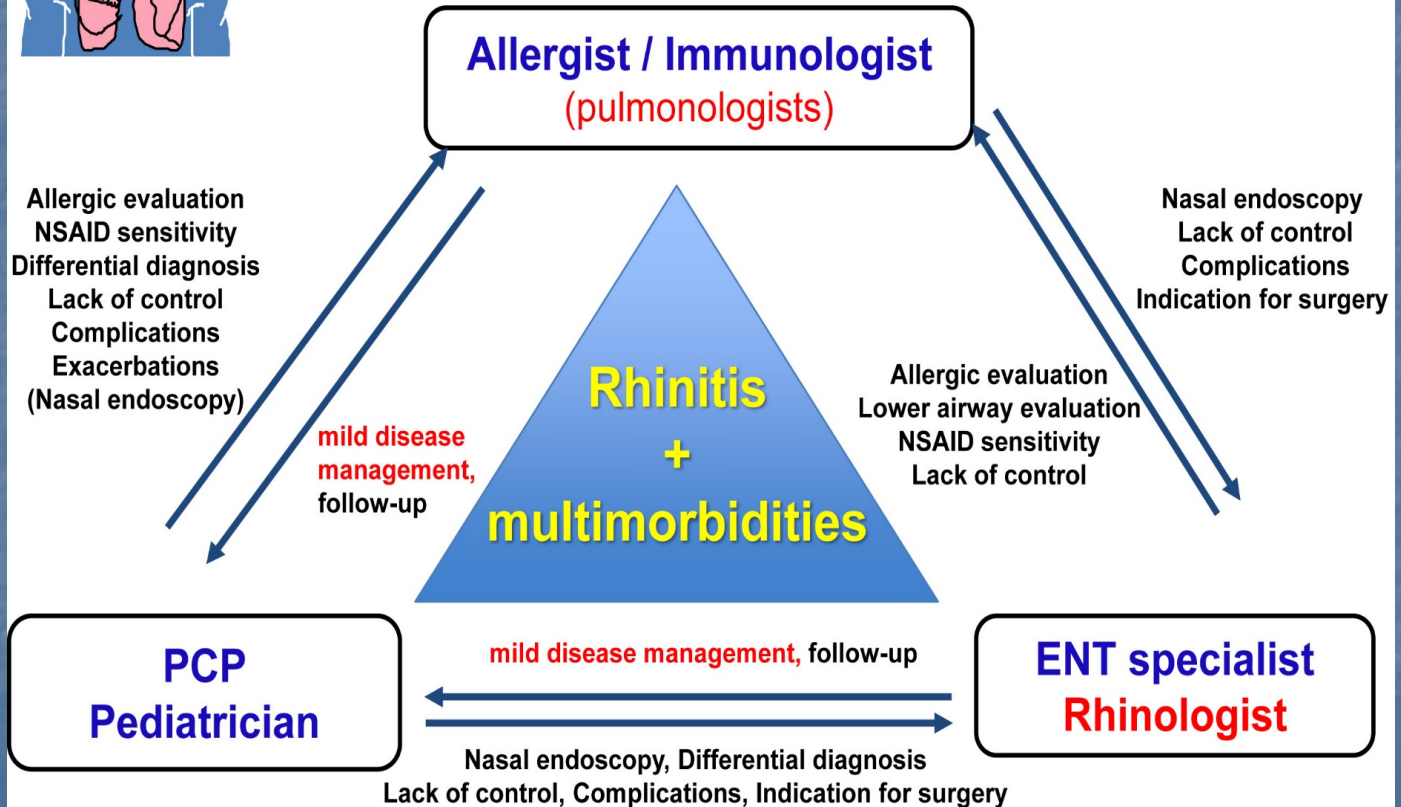
# Conclusions

- Allergic rhinitis is a common and an increasing disease
- It has a huge social and economic burden
- It is commonly leading to other comorbidities
- A strong correlation with asthma is present



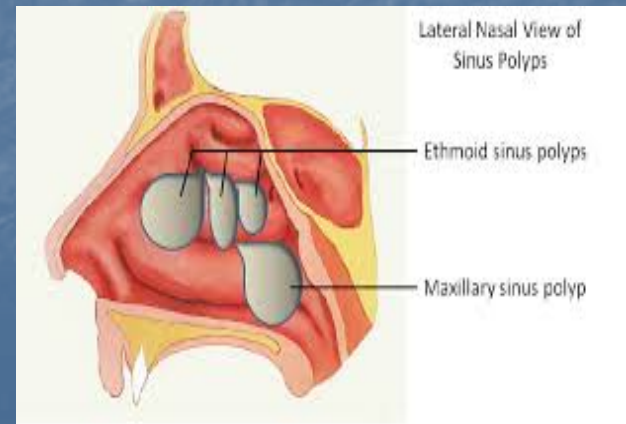


# Multidisciplinary Approach



# Nasal polyps

- ❖ Comes from Latin which means multiple feet
- ❖ it is not a tumor, but a mass
- ❖ no known etiology
  
- ❖ Pathophysiology: accumulation of fluid in the interstitial space
  
- ❖ Nasal symptoms: nasal blockage, rhinorrhea, anosmia, headaches



# Antrochoanal polyp (ACP)

- From maxillary sinus
- Assoc w/inferior

- Single
- Unilateral

Usually affecting children & adolescent

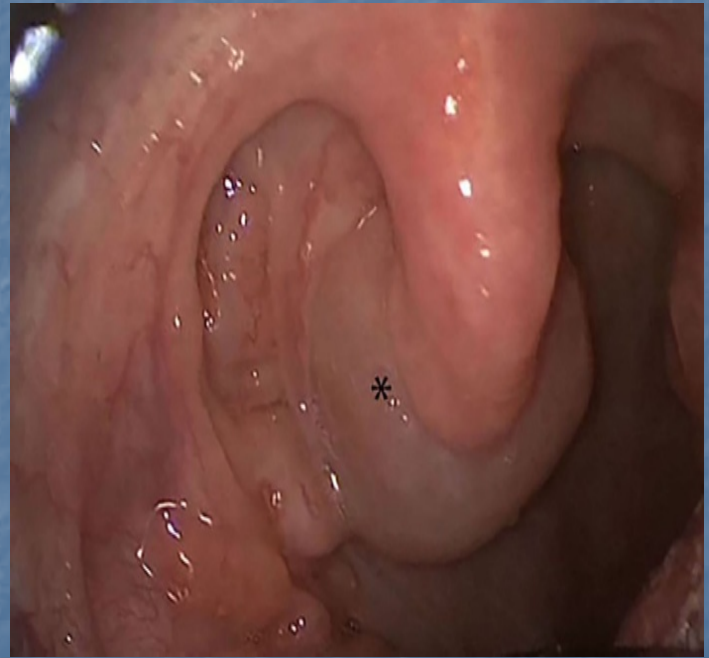
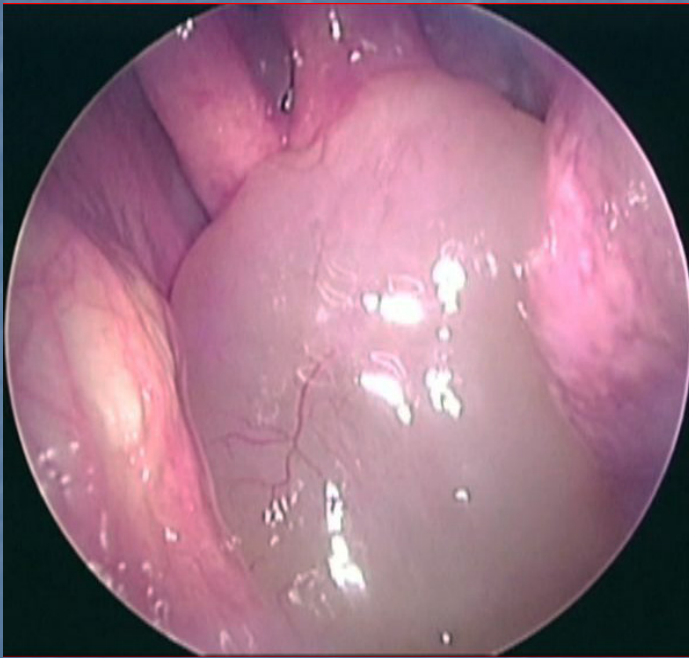
**Demonstration**     • Trx. surgical excision

• Recurrence is rare

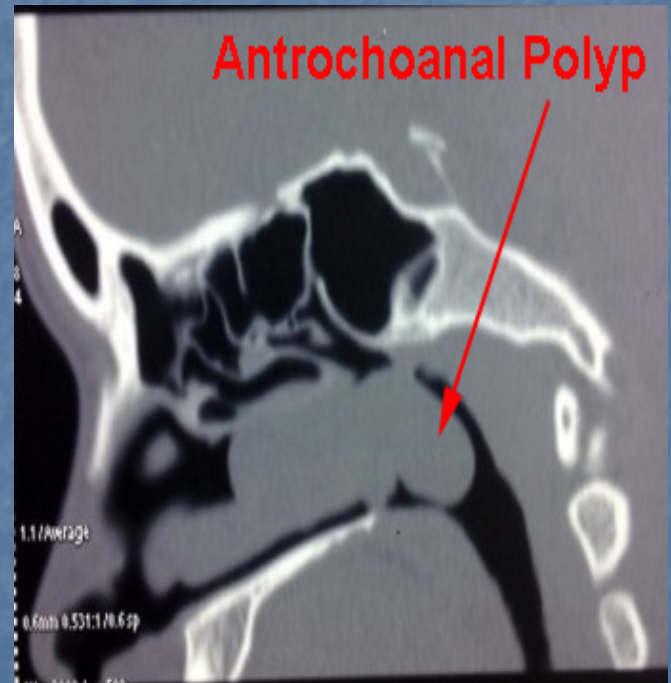
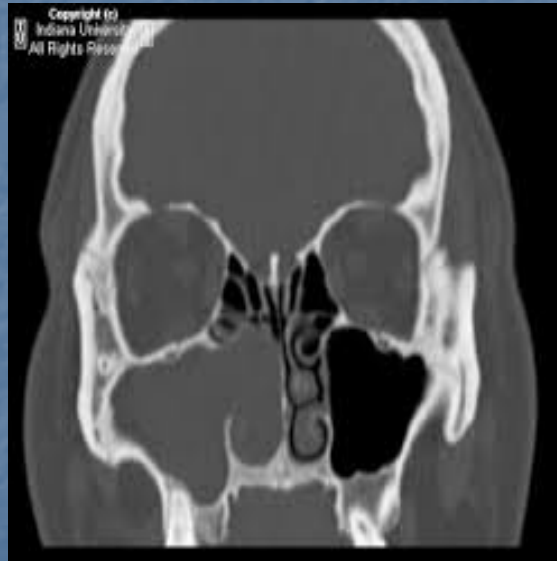
**Endoscopic view of ACP**



# Intranasal and nasopharyngeal parts of antrochoanal polyp



# Radiology of antrochoanal polyp



# Ethmoidal polyps

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Trx: oral corticosteroids, surgery



# Nasal polyps

## Antrochoanal Polyp (ACP)

- Arising from maxillary sinus
- Infection is the usual cause
- Single
- Unilateral
- Affects adolescent and children
  
- Treatment is surgical
- Recurrence is rare

## Ethmoidal Polyp

- Arising from ethmoid region
- No known etiology
- Multiple
- Bilateral
- Affects adults
- Treatment: surgery or/and steroids
- Recurrence common

**THANK YOU**