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PULMONOLOGY

CONGENITAL ANOMALIES OF RESPIRATORY TRACT

Congenital anomalies of larynx

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Laryngomalacia :

m/c anomaly of larynx (45-75% cases).

Structures affected :

- Epiglottis.
- Arytenoids.
- Aryepiglottic folds.

Softness/weakness of supraglottic structures → weak tone → Collapse during inspiration → Obstruction of upper respiratory tract.

Stridor :

- <2 weeks after birth.
- Increases in intensity in 1st 6 months, then reduces.
- Intermittent stridor.
- Exacerbated by exertion (vigorous crying, feeding).
- Cry is good.
- Prominent in supine position.
- Relieves in prone position.

Benign condition : Normal growth.



Omega shaped
epiglottis.

Diagnosis :

- Clinical based on symptoms.
- Flexible laryngoscopy : Floppy omega shaped epiglottis.

Conservative management :

- Reassurance : usually disappears by 2 years of age.
- If associated with laryngopharyngeal reflux : Proton pump inhibitors.

Indications of surgical management (Supraglottoplasty) :

- Progressive respiratory distress.
- Cyanosis, failure to thrive.

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Congenital subglottic stenosis :

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2nd m/c anomaly of larynx

Subglottis :

- Area between true vocal cord and lower margin of cricoid cartilage.
- Narrowest part of larynx in children.

Defect :

- Abnormally thick cricoid cartilage or
- Abnormal fibrous tissue in the subglottic area.

Stridor :

- Biphasic/primarily inspiratory stridor.
- Becomes prominent during respiratory tract infection.
- No postural variation.

Direct laryngoscopy :

- Diameter <4 mm in term babies or
- Diameter <3.5 mm in preterm babies.
- Narrowing >50% of expected : Severe symptoms.



Congenital subglottic stenosis.

Management :

Severity is based on myer Cotton system (Grade I-IV) :

Grade I, II : Dilatation/endoscopic laser surgery.

Grade III, IV : Anterior cricoid split surgery.

Laryngotracheoplasty with cricoid graft.

Vocal cord paralysis :

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Causes :

1. Idiopathic : Unilateral.
2. Associations (Bilateral) :
 - Meningocele.
 - Arnold Chiari malformation.
 - Hydrocephalus.
3. Post surgical : Repair of tracheo-esophageal fistula/patent ductus arteriosus.

Clinical features :

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Unilateral vocal cord palsy.	Bilateral vocal cord palsy.
Aspiration, coughing, choking.	Respiratory distress soon after birth.
Stridor : Uncommon.	High pitched inspiratory stridor.
-	Weak cry.

Laryngoscopy : inability to abduct the vocal cord

management :

unilateral palsy : Observation, resolves within 6-12 months.

Bilateral palsy : Treat the primary cause/temporary tracheotomy.

Congenital anomalies of lungs

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Congenital lobar emphysema (CLE) :

Emphysema : Overdistension of lung parenchyma.

D/t partial narrowing of bronchus :

1. Deficiency of cartilage.
2. Compression of bronchus by aberrant blood vessel.

Ball valve effect : Allows entry inside the bronchus, but does not let air out →

Air trapping → Overdistension/hyperinflation of lungs.

Site affected :

- (m/c) Left upper lobe.
- Right middle lobe.
- Right upper lobe.

Consequences :

- Atelectasis of the ipsilateral normal lung.
- mediastinal shift.
- Atelectasis of the contralateral lung.

Presentation :

- Respiratory distress.
- Time of presentation depends on severity of emphysema.

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- Severe emphysema : Early presentation in neonatal period
- mild distension : Presents in later life.

Diagnosis :

Chest X ray :

- Characteristic distension of left upper lobe.
- Compression atelectasis of ipsilateral lung.
- mediastinal shift.
- Compression atelectasis of contralateral lung.

IOC : CT chest.



Congenital lobar emphysema.

management :

Based on :

1. Chest X ray.
2. CT chest.
3. V/Q scan.
4. Bronchoscopy

Parameters.	Conservative management.	Surgical management.
Chest X ray (Hyperinflation)	minimal.	Severe.
CT chest (Degree of herniation of lung fields).	minimal.	massive.
VQ scan (Perfusion defects).	Absent.	Present.
Bronchoscopy	Normal.	Abnormal.

Congenital pulmonary airway malformation (CPAM) :

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Previously K/a congenital cystic adenomatoid malformation (CCAM).

Hamartomatous/dysplastic lung tissue mixed with normal lung tissue.

Usually involves only 1 lobe of the lung.

Cysts communicate with tracheobronchial tree but do not contribute in gas exchange.

m/c cause of cystic lung disease in a newborn.

Types of CPAM :

Type 0 : Both lung fields involving all parts of lungs are affected
worst prognosis, not compatible with life.

Type 1 : m/c type (60%).

- macrocystic changes (Large cysts >2 cm in size).
- Favourable prognosis.

Type 2 : microcystic (<2 cm in size) changes.

Associated with risk of other anomalies.

Bad prognosis.

Type 3 : mixed variety (Cyst + solid tissue).

Bad prognosis.

Type 4 : macrocystic.

↑ Risk of malignancy (Pleuropulmonary blastoma).



X ray : CPAM.

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Features :

- Respiratory distress : Onset depends on number of cysts.
- Recurrent respiratory infections.
- Pneumothorax : D/t rupture of the cysts.

Diagnosis :

Chest x ray : Cystic changes in the lung fields.

IOC : CT chest.

Differential diagnosis :

Staphylococcal pneumonia : Pneumatocoles present, resolve with antibiotics.

management :

All patients require surgery :

- High risk of infections.
- Risk of malignancy.

Timing of surgery :

Symptomatic : Immediate surgery.

Asymptomatic : By 1 year of age.

Bronchogenic cysts :

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Defect : Abnormal budding of tracheal diverticulum.

Site :

- Right sided.
- majority are attached to midline structures (esophagus/carina/trachea) through a fibrous tissue.
- Extrapulmonary >> intrapulmonary.

Clinical features :

- majority cases are asymptomatic.
- Infected cyst : Fever, chest pain & productive cough.

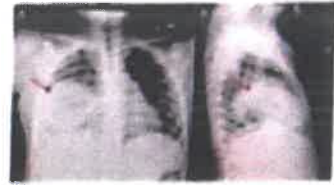
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Diagnosis :

Chest x ray : AP, lateral views.

IOC : CT chest.

Management : Surgical excision of the cyst.



Bronchogenic cyst.

Pulmonary sequestration :

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Non functioning mass of lung tissue.

Does not communicate with tracheobronchial tree.

Derives blood supply from systemic arteries : Lower thoracic/upper abdominal aorta.

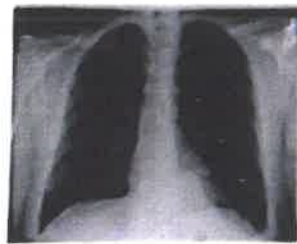
Intrapulmonary > extrapulmonary.

M/C : Present on the left side of the lung.

Diagnosis :

Chest x ray : Separate area of lung tissue.

IOC : CT chest + angiography.



Pulmonary sequestration.

Features.	Intrapulmonary sequestration.	Extrapulmonary sequestration.
Age at diagnosis.	Older child.	Neonate.
Location.	Right = Left.	Always left sided.
Visceral pleura.	No separate visceral pleura.	Separate visceral pleura present.
Venous drainage.	Pulmonary veins.	Inferior vena cava.
Surgery.	Lobectomy.	Sequestrectomy.

Management :

- Lobectomy/sequestrectomy.
- Coiling embolisation procedure : Cutting off systemic arterial supply to sequestered tissue.

UPPER AIRWAY DISORDERS IN CHILDREN

Upper airway obstruction

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Narrowest part of the pediatric airway in children : Sub glottic area. (at the level of cricoid cartilage).

Common feature of upper airway obstruction : Stridor (inspiratory sound).

Upper airway refers to larynx.

Conditions leading to stridor :

- Anomalies of the larynx
- Infection in larynx
- Foreign body in larynx.

Congenital anomalies of larynx :

Laryngomalacia :

m/c anomaly of larynx

softness/laxity of larynx.

Structures affected : Epiglottis, arytenoids & aryepiglottic folds.



Laryngomalacia on laryngoscopy

Laryngoscopy :

Abnormality in the shape of

structures in larynx → Omega (Ω) shaped epiglottis.

Increased compliance during inspiration (in supine posture)

→ folding (epiglottis pushed downward into airway) →

obstruction of upper airway → intermittent stridor (when child is in supine position, crying/agitated, feeding).

Stridor disappears in prone posture.

Stridor : Long standing, starts soon after birth or within two weeks after birth.

Laryngomalacia is diagnosed clinically. No investigations are needed.

Treatment :

Reassurance : Improves with age & will resolve spontaneously in 2 years.

Severe stridor : Supraglottoplasty (rare).

Croup

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Acute Laryngo Tracheo Bronchitis (ALTB).

Age : 6 months to 5 years (peak : 2 years).

Etiology : Para influenza virus.

Presentation : Stridor (associated with low grade fever) in an otherwise well child.

Cough : Barking/seal like/brassy cough.

Graded based on clinical presentation :

1. mild croup :

- Stridor only upon coughing/exerting.
- SpO₂ : Normal.

2. moderate :

- Stridor at rest.
- Respiratory distress (tachypnea/fast breathing + chest retractions).
- SpO₂ : Normal.

3. Severe :

- Stridor at rest.
- Respiratory distress (tachypnea/fast breathing + chest retractions).
- Hypoxia (SpO₂ < 92 % in room air).

X ray :

Narrowing of airway (maximum narrowing in sub glottic area) :

Steeple sign.



Steeple sign

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management :

mainly supportive treatment.

1. mild croup : Oral Dexamethasone (0.15 - 0.6 mg/kg) as single dose.
2. moderate or severe croup :
If hypoxia is present : O_2 inhalation & nebulization with racemic epinephrine (racemic : D & L isomers of epinephrine) or L epinephrine alone (whichever is available).

Acute epiglottitis

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It is a medical emergency.

Age group : 1 to 3 years (toddler age group).

Etiology : H. influenzae type B (most common).

Presentation :

- Sudden onset high grade fever.
- Sick (toxic) looking.
- Stridor.
- Drooling of saliva.
- Respiratory distress.

Characteristic posture : Tripod posture/sniffing dog posture.



Tripod position : epiglottitis

Investigations :

1. Lateral X ray of neck :
Thumb sign (swollen epiglottis causes narrowing of airway → gives impression of thumb).
2. Laryngoscopy : Cherry red epiglottis (severely inflamed epiglottis).

Thumb sign



Laryngoscopy is not done in acute epiglottitis because of risk of acute laryngeal spasm while maneuvering.

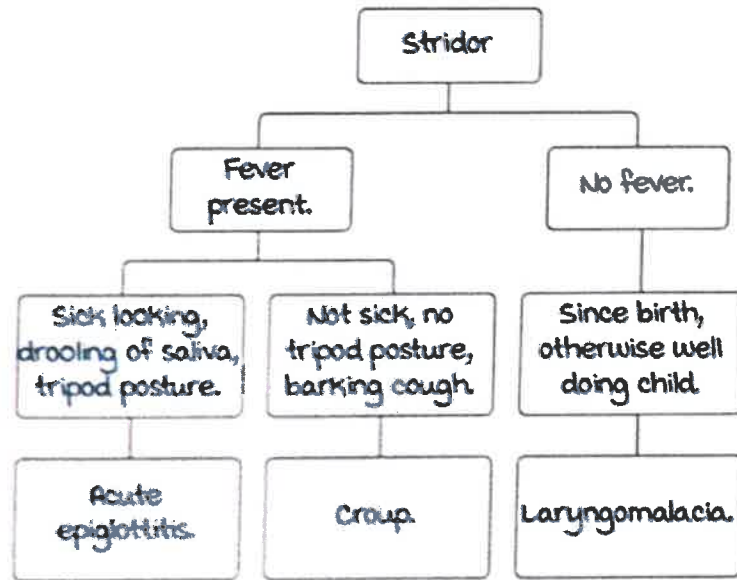
management :

1. Priority : Secure airway (endotracheal intubation or tracheotomy).

- 2. Antibiotics : 3rd generation cephalosporin (Ceftriaxone or Cefotaxime).
- 3. No role for sedatives.

Differentials for stridor

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LUNG ABSCESS

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Basics :

- Lung abscess is a thick walled cavity with pus.
- Abscess is a localized area of necrosis and suppuration.
- Initially : Lung infection (Complication of pneumonia) → cavity → abscess.
- Seen in children with recurrent aspiration.

Types & etiology

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Types :

a. Primary :

- Previously healthy patients
- Solitary lung abscess.
- Right-sided.

b. Secondary :

- Underlying disorders.
- Multiple.
- Left-sided.

Site of abscess :

- Recumbent : R/L upper lobes, apical segment of the lower lobe.
- Supine : Posterior segment of the upper lobes.

Etiology :

- Usually polymicrobial
- Aerobic : Streptococcus pneumoniae, H. influenza, Staphylococcus, E. coli.
- Anaerobic : Fusobacterium, Bacteroides, Peptostreptococci

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Features & treatment

Clinical features :

- Sub acute presentation.
- Low grade fever.
- Wet cough with sputum, hemoptysis, weight loss
- Examination : Tachypnea, ↓ breath sounds, dull percussion note.

Investigations :

X-ray :

- Can miss the diagnosis in 20% cases.
- Thick walled cavity with air fluid levels is seen.



Thick walled cavity with air fluid levels is seen.

CECT :

- IOC.
- Lung abscess forms an acute angle with the chest wall = Egg on a carpet appearance.
- Helps to differentiate loculated empyema from a lung abscess.
- Helps to guide percutaneous aspiration.



Lung abscess CECT.

USG :

- Helps to differentiate empyema from a lung abscess.
- monitors the response to the treatment.

Treatment :

- Antibiotics.
- Duration : 2-3 weeks parenteral and switch over to oral for another 2-3 week, total of 4-6 weeks.
- Aerobic : Ticarcillin-clavulanate or Amoxicillin-clavulanate.
- Anaerobic : Clindamycin.

Surgical intervention :

- Severe ill patients.
- Not responding to antibiotics even after >7-10 days.
- minimal invasive CT guided percutaneous drainage.
- Rare cases require thoracotomy or thoracoscopic drainage.

PNEUMONIA

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Introduction

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Infection of lung parenchyma of alveoli
usually due to infection.
m/c/c of under 5 mortality.

Classification

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Anatomical basis :

1. Lobar pneumonia :
 - Limited to only one lobe.
 - Caused by bacteria.
2. Bronchopneumonia :
 - Infection centred around bronchioles.
 - Pus formation spilling into lobules of lungs.
 - Patchy consolidation.
 - Caused by bacteria.
3. Interstitial pneumonitis :
 - Caused by virus.
 - walls of alveolar sac/duct/bronchioles.

Based on origin of infection :

1. Community acquired pneumonia :
 - Not hospitalised 14 days prior to onset.
2. Hospital acquired pneumonia :
 - Early : Onset within 4 days of hospitalization.
 - Late :
Onset after 5 days of hospitalization
MDR pathogen involved
↑ risk of morbidity
most severe type.

Etiology & risk factors

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Etiology:

Bacteria > Virus.

Bacteria based on age:

< 2 months.	3 months to 5 years.	> 5 years.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gram -ve : • Klebsiella. • E. coli • GBS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strep. pneumoniae. • H. influenzae type B. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strep. pneumoniae. • Atypical bacteria : • Mycoplasma. • Chlamydia.

Overall m/c/c : Strep. pneumoniae.

Viral : RSV (<2yrs).

Immunocompromised child :

- Pneumocystis jiroveci.
- Fungal infections.

Risk factors :

- Severe malnutrition.
- Low.
- Lack of breastfeeding.
- Indoor air pollution/overcrowding.

Clinical features

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Symptoms :

Young infants (0 to 2m) :

- Fever.
- Hypoxia.
- Apnea.

Older infants :

- High grade fever.
- Malaise & lethargy.
- Pleuritic chest pain.
- Expectoring cough.

Examination :**Lobar pneumonia :**

- Decreased chest movements on the affected side.
- Bronchial breath sounds.
- Dull note on percussion.

Other findings particular to etiology :

- Wheezing and concomitant features of URI : Viral cause (RSV).
- mycoplasma :
 - Seen in >Syr.
 - Hemolytic anemia.
 - Arthritis.
 - CNS features (encephalitis, ataxia).
- Concomitant conjunctivitis : Chlamydia.
- Staph aureus :
 - most severe form.
 - Necrotizing pneumonia → Pneumatocele → Pneumothorax.
 - Empyema.
 - Skin involvement (Pyoderma).

BRONCHIECTASIS

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Introduction

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Definition :

Suppurative lung disease.

Ectasis means dilatation.

Bronchiectasis is a permanent, irreversible dilatation of bronchi and bronchioles.

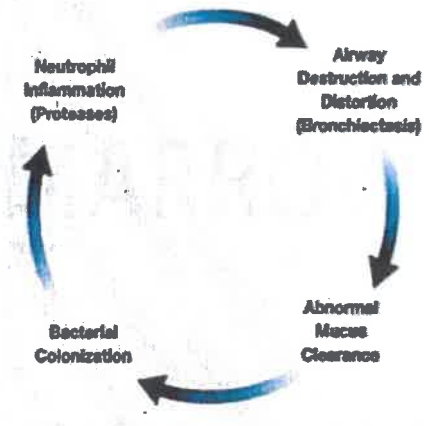
Long term sequelae of chronic necrotizing lung infections.

Pathogenesis :

Vicious cycle : Infection triggers bronchiectasis, bronchiectasis triggers further infection.

1. Bacterial colonisation.
2. Neutrophilic infiltration.
3. Destruction by proteases : Smooth muscles, elastic tissue in bronchial walls.
4. Abnormal mucus clearance : Predisposes to bacterial colonisation

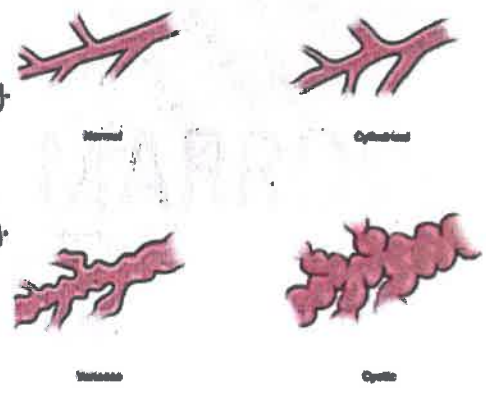
Host mediated inflammatory response to foreign material



Cole's cycle of bronchiectasis.

Types of bronchiectasis :

1. Cylindrical type (m/c) : Tram track appearance on chest x ray. Signet ring appearance on C/S.
2. Cystic/saccular type : Honey combing appearance on imaging.
3. Varicose type : Beaded appearance (Alternate dilatation and constriction).



morphological types of bronchiectasis.

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Predisposing factors :

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1. Pneumonia (Long-standing/multiple/necrotizing) :

- Post-tuberculosis.
- Streptococcus pneumonia.
- Hemophilus influenzae.

2. Bronchial obstruction :

- Foreign body.
- Extrinsic bronchial compression : Tumour, lymph node, vascular ring.

3. Immunological :

- Primary immunodeficiency : Agammaglobulinemia, SCID.
- Acquired immunodeficiency : HIV, post transplant.

4. Hereditary conditions :

- Cystic fibrosis.
- Primary ciliary dyskinesia (PCD).

5. Syndromes :

- Mounier Kuhn syndrome : Tracheobronchomegaly.
- Williams Campbell syndrome : Deficiency of cartilage.

Clinical features and diagnosis

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Clinical features :

Severe, persistent productive cough : mucopurulent sputum, fetid odor.

- Hemoptysis : Erosion of blood vessels.
- Increased anteroposterior diameter of chest : Barrel shaped chest.
- Tachypnea.
- Crepitations : Coarse.

Clues for associated features such as chronic sinusitis :

- Primary ciliary dyskinesia.
- Cystic fibrosis.
- Primary immunodeficiency.

Diagnostic workup :

1. To confirm the diagnosis : HRCT chest.
2. Assess severity of bronchiectasis.
3. Identify any predisposing factors.

HRCT chest :

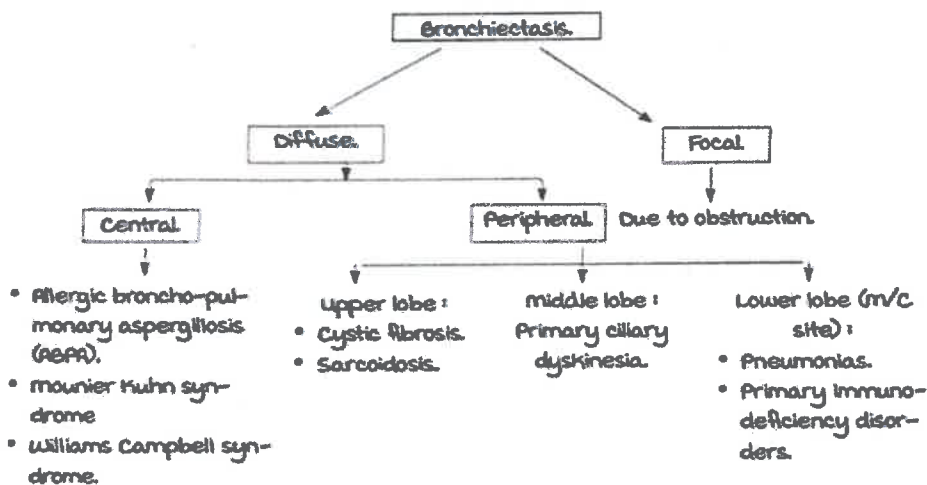
- most sensitive investigation.
- investigation of choice.

Findings in bronchiectasis :

- Airway diameter >1.5 times the size of blood vessels.
- Lack of tapering of distal airways.
- Thickening of bronchial walls (Peribronchial fibrosis).
- mucus plugging of airways.

Patterns of involvement :

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**Additional investigations :**

1. Pulmonary function tests :
 - Pattern of lung disease.
 - Bronchiectasis : Obstructive lung disease (\downarrow FEV1/FVC).
 - Late stages : mixed pattern.
2. Sputum culture.
3. Tuberculin skin test.
4. Basic immunological workup : HIV, immunodeficiency disorders.
5. Sweat chloride test : Cystic fibrosis.
6. Nasal ciliary biopsy : Primary ciliary dyskinesia.

Management

Goals :

1. Prevent further disease progression.
2. Prevent/treat exacerbations/infections.

Airway clearance therapy (ACT) :

- Chest percussion (Chest physiotherapy).
- High frequency chest wall oscillation device.
- Handheld devices : Acapella.

Mucolytics :

7.2% hypertonic saline.

management of exacerbations/infections :

- Antibiotics : Amoxicillin + clavulanic acid x 14 days.
- Long term prophylactic antibiotics : Erythromycin twice daily.
- Repeated pseudomonas infections : Nebulised tobramycin, aztreonam.

Role of surgery :

Focal bronchiectasis : Lobar/segmental resection.