Pleural Effusions Pericardial effusions

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 25 year old man with progressive shortness of breath over 3 months

HR 100 RR 24 BP 90/60
Decreased breath sounds on Right
Systolic murmur radiating to the back

 68 year old male, 30 pack-year smoker cough and fever for 1 week pleuritic chest pain x 4 days

HR 110 RR 30 BP 90/60 Crackles and Decreased breath sounds on Right

 55 year old male, heavy alcohol drinker, progressive bipedal edema and ascites over 6 months

HR 110 RR 30 BP 90/60 Crackles and Decreased breath sounds bilaterally

Pleural Effusions

Transudative

Heart failure Liver cirrhosis Kidney failure edema

Exudative

Infectious Malignant

Pleural Effusions

Normal physiology
 Production
 PARIETAL PLEURA

Resorption
PARIETAL PLEURA STOMA
VISCERAL PLEURA LYMPH

Pleural Effusions

Light's Criteria

Exudative pleural effusion

AT LEAST ONE CRITERIA

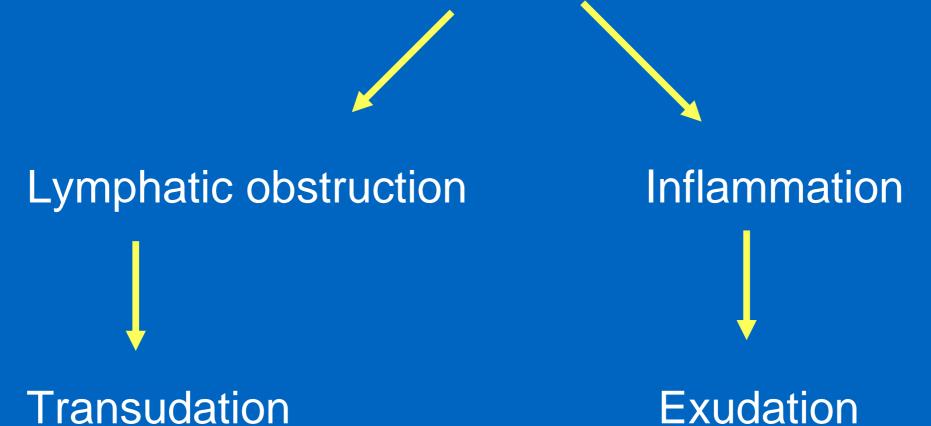
effusion Protein: serum Protein ratio > 0.5

effusion LDH: serum LDH > 0.6

effusion LDF > 2/3 upper normal limit serum LDH

Malignant pleural effusions (MPE)

Pleural metastatic implants



Surgical Management

Indwelling pleural catheter

Surgical Management

Chest tube insertion

Steps:

Local anesthesia (Lidocaine 2%)

4th ICS mid-axillary to anterior axillary

Test thoracentesis

Incise skin below 4th ICS (skin tunnel)

Post-insertion chest X-ray

Pigtail catheter

Jackson-Pratt drain

- Water Seal
- Modification: 2-way Bottle System
- 3-way System Drainage kits

Tips & Tricks

1. No Clamps

- Never leave a chest drain clamped

AVOID TENSION PNEUMOTHORAX

Tips & Tricks

2. Drain by gravity

- Keep drainage bottles below patient
- Avoid backwash into chest

- Tips & Tricks
 - 3. Clear the tube of fluid
 - "milk" the tube PRN

AVOID FIBRIN CLOGGING

Pleural Jackson Pratt Drains

No water seal: built-in one-way valve

Less Pain

Improved patient mobility

Tips & Tricks

4. Dress tube wound PRN only

- frequent dressing causes contamination
- use clear adhesive dressings (Tegaderm, Opsite)

25 year old man undergoing treatment for PTB

progressive difficulty breathing & orthopnea over 2 weeks

HR 120 RR 30 BP 90/60 engorged neck veins decreased breath sounds on Right heart sounds soft but regular

12 Lead ECG

sinus tachycardia low-voltage QRS complexes

2D Echocardiogram

Pathophysiology

Progressive fluid accumulation in limited pericardial space

Equalization of diastolic pressure & intrapericardial pressure

Diastolic filling abnormality

Myocardial ischemia

Circulatory collapse

- Beck's Triad
 - Hypotension
 - Distended neck veins
 - Muffled heart sounds

Emergency treatment

Needle Pericardiocentesis (ultrasound)

Emergency treatment

Open tube pericardiostomy (subxiphoid)

Secondary treatment

Etiology

- Tuberculous pericarditis >> may progress to constrictive physiology
- Malignant pericardial effusion
- Viral pericarditis

Peripheral Arterial Disease: Emergency treatment

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- aka. Peripheral arterio-occlusive disease (PAOD)
- Etiology
 - Atherosclerotic
 - Inflammatory

- Risk factors
 - Advanced age >60yrs
 - Smoking
 - Hypertension
 - Dyslipidemia
 - Diabetes

- Clinical Progression
 - Asymptomatic
 - Claudication
 - Critical Limb ischemia
 - Acute limb ischemia

- Claudication
 - calf pain or fatigue on exertion
- Critical Limb ischemia
 - chronic ischemic rest pain
 recumbent rest pain
 ulcers or gangrene

 Critical Limb ischemia ulcers or gangrene

 Acute limb ischemia - sudden unrelenting pain and pulselessness "6 Ps" pain no pulse pallor poikilothermic paresthesia paralysis

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