

GASTROESOPHAGEAL REFLUX DISEASE.

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DEFINITION.

- GORD is a condition that develops when reflux of gastric contents causes troublesome symptoms and or complications.
- EPID: 10-20% IN WESTERN COUNTRIES 20-40% in USA.

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SYMPTOMS

- TYPICAL.

High specificity (95 & 90%)

Low sensitivity (38 & 6%)

At least weekly

Heartburn

Regurgitation.

Typical symptoms and endoscopic 97%.

lancet 1990;335:205.

ATYPICAL SYMPTOMS.

NON SPECIFIC:

Epigastric pain

Dyspepsia

Nausea

Belching

Bloating

Non cardiac chest pain

EXTRA OESOPHAGEAL SYMPTOMS.

- Chronic cough.
- Asthma.
- Laryngitis.
- Dental erosions.

Caused by micro-aspiration or vagus,
OESOPHAGOBRONCHIAL REFLEX'.

COMPLICATIONS.

- Erosive oesophagitis.
- Peptic strictures.
- Barrett's oesophagus.
- Adenocarcinoma of oesophagus.
- Pulmonary diseases.

TYPES OF GORD.

- Non Erosive 70% NERD.

True NERD. (high AET, pos SI)

Acid sensitive oesoph(n AET, pos SI)

Functional heartburn (n AET,neg SI)

- Erosive GERD 20-30%.

DIAGNOSIS.

- TYPICAL SYMPTOMS / RESPONSE TO 2/12 bd ACID SUPPRESSION & LifeStyleModification.

Success rate if managed correctly is 60-70%.

REFRACTORY GERD.

- DEFN:
PERSISTENCE OF TYPICAL
SYMPTOMS DESPITE BD PPI THERAPY

EPID: 10-40%.

ASGE LEADING EDGE VOL2 NO2
AJG, 2018;113.

REASONS FOR PPI FAILURE.

INSUFFICIENT ACID SUPPRESSION.

- LACK OF COMPLIANCE 54%.(15%)
- GENETIC VARIATION.
- ZOLLINGER-ELLISON SYNDROME.

AJG. 2014;109:789.

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REASONS FOR PPI FAILURE

- INSUFFICIENT DURATION OF TREATMENT
- NOCTURNAL ACID BREAK THROUGH
- NON ACID REFFLUX.
- BILE REFLUX.
- ESOPHAGEAL HYPERSENSITIVITY.

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REASONS FOR PPI FAILURE.

NO GERD.

- FUNCTIONAL DYSPEPSIA.
- RUMINATION SYNDROME.
- AEROPHAGIA.
- ACHALASIA.
- EOSINOPHILIC OESOPHAGITIS.

REASONS FOR PPI FAILURE.

- INCREASED TRANSIENT LES RELAXATION.
- IMPAIRED OESOPHAGEAL CLEARANCE.
- PSYCHOSOCIAL FACTORS.
- **DISRUPTED ANTI REFLUX BARRIER.**

APPROACH TO PPI FAILURE.

- UPPER GI ENDOSCOPY. Poor sensitivity and specificity)
ESOPHAGITIS/N/BIOPSY
PILL OESOPHAGITIS.
AUTO IMMUNE DX.
HYPER SECRETORS Z-E-S.
GENOTYPE PROBLEMS.
EOSINOPHILIC OESOPHAGITIS.

APPROACH TO PPI FAILURE.

NO OESOPHAGITIS: BIOPSY.

FOLLOW WITH

IMPEDANCE/PHMONITORING 30% false
neg. (ON THERAPY)

- NON ACID REFLUX.
- FUNCTIONAL HEARTBURN.
- WRONG DIAGNOSIS.

Achalasia, gastroparesis etc.

TREATMENT

- DEPENDS ON PATIENT.
- TYPE OF GERD.
- PRESENCE OR ABSENCE OF BARRIER DEFECTS AND SIZE.
- CO-MORBIDITIES.
- AVAILABILITY OF THERAPIES.

TREATMENT

- FUNCTIONAL HEARTBURN

Cognitive behavioral therapy.

Pharmacologic neuromodulation.

NB: NO ANTI-REFLUX MEASURES.

TREATMENT

- FUNCTIONAL HEARTBURN WITH A LARGE H/H.

- Controversial.

Cog BehTherapy

TLESR Inhibition.

Neuromodulation

laparoscopic anti-reflux measure

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TREATMENT

- OESOPHAGEAL SENSITIVITY WITH LARGE H/H REGURGITATION.
Laparoscopic fundoplication appropriate.
- WITH HEARTBURN,
Controversial, antireflux surgery.

TREATMENT.

- GORD WITH SMALL OR LARGE H/H.

Anti-reflux surgery indicated.

CONCLUSION

- 70+15% OF GORD RESPOND TO PPI.
- OF REMAINING 30%, 54% (15%) WILL IMPROVE WITH COMPLIANCE.
- REMAINING 15% COMPRISE OF
 - Other diagnoses :Specific Rx
 - Non acid reflux :TLESR inhibitors.

Conclusion

Anti-reflux surgery(10-20%)

Indicated only in proven GERD:

- Regurgitation with pos SI + large H/H
- Large reflux burden +/- H/H
- PPI CI.
- The rest is PPI and behavioural therapy

END.