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A pathological state due to a relative or absolute deficiency or excess of one or more essential nutrients; clinically manifested or detected only by biochemical, anthropometric or physiological tests.

Classification:

- **1.Undernutrition:** Marasmus
- 2. Over-nutrition: Obesity ,Hypervitaminoses
- **3.Specific Deficiency:** Kwashiorkor ,Hypovitaminoses.
- **4. Mineral Deficiencies**
- **5.Imbalance: Electrolyte Imbalance**

Etiology:

A.child related:

- Low birth wt.
- Absence or early cessation of breast feeding
- Delay weaning
- Incorrect dietary habit
- Recurrent infection :diarrhea, measles

B.Maternal factor:

Maternal malnutrition

Ignorance about feeding separation

C. socio-economical factor:
Povertyand unemployment
Large family size
Unhygienic living condition
Disadvataged children
D. cultural factor:wrong believfs
E. community factor:
Natural/man made disaster
Generalized economic depression
Inadequateprimary health care









Common in the 1st year of life
Etiology:
"Balanced starvation"
Insufficient breast milk
Dilute milk mixture or lack of hygiene
deficiency of ALL nutrient

Marasmus

Clinical Manifestations:

- 1. Wasting
- 2. Muscle wasting
- 3. Growth retardation
- 4. Mental changes
- 5. No edema
- 6. Variable-subnormal temp, slow PR, good appetite, often w/diarrhea, etc.

Laboratory Data:

- 1. Serum albumin N
- 2. Urinary urea/ creatinine

- 3. Urinary hydroxyproline/ creatinine low
- 4. Serum essential a.a. index N
- 5. Anemia uncommon
- 6. hypoglycemia
- 7. K⁺ deficiency present
- 8. Serum cholesterol low
- 9. Diminished enzyme activity
- 10. Bone growth delayed
- 11. Liver biopsy N or atrophic

Kwashiorkor



Between 1-3 yrs old **Etiology:** Very low protein but calories from CHO In places where starchy foods are main staple Never exclusively dietary

Kwashiorkor

Clinical Manifestations:

- A. Diagnostic Signs
 - 1. Edema
 - 2. Muscle wasting
 - **3.** Psychomotor changes
- B. Common Signs
 - Hair changes
 - 2. Diffuse depigmentation of skin
 - 3. Moonface
 - 4. Anemia

- c. Occasional Signs:
 - Flaky-paint rash
 - . Noma
 - . Hepatomegaly
 - Associated

Laboratory:

- 1. Decreased serum albumin
- 2. EEG abnomalities
- Iron & folic acid deficiencies
- 4. Liver biopsy fatty or fibrosis may occur

Differences between Marasmus and Kwashiorkor



SEVERE CHILDHOOD UNDERNUTRITION

(Protein-Energy Malnutrition)

Site	Signs
Face	Moon face (kwashiorkor), simian facies (marasmus)
Eye	Dry eyes, pale conjunctiva, Bitot spots (vit A), periorbital edema
Mouth	Angular stomatitis, cheilitis, glossitis, spongy bleeding gums (vit C), parotid enlargement
Teeth	Enamel mottling, delayed eruption
Hair	Dull, sparse, brittle hair, hypopigmentation, flag sign (alternating bands of light and normal color), alopecia

Skin	Loose and wrinkled (marasmus), shiny and edematous (kwashiorkor), dry, follicular hyperkeratosis, patchy hyper- and hypopigmentation (crazy paving or flaky paint dermatoses), erosions, poor wound healing
Nails	Koilonychia, thin and soft nail plates, fissures or ridges
Musculature	Muscle wasting, particularly buttocks and thighs; Chvostek or Trousseau signs (hypocalcemia)
Skeletal	Deformities, usually as a result of calcium, vitD or vitC deficiencies

Abdomen	Distended: hepatomegaly with fatty liver; ascites may be present
Cardiovascular	Bradycardia, hypotension, reduced cardiac output, small vessel vasculopathy
Neurologic	Global developmental delay, loss of knee and ankle reflexes,

Site	Signs
	impaired memory
Hematologic	Pallor, petechiae, bleeding diathesis
Behavior	Lethargic, apathetic, irritable on handling





Investigations

CBC,CRP,GUE,GSE,RBS,RFT,TSP,S. albumin(low in both)

Treatment

Rx. of PEM involve 3 phases:

1-Stabilization phase (1st wk)

2-Rehabilitation phase (2nd wk-6th wk)

3-follow-up. (7th wk till recovery)

Stabilization phase (1st wk):-

It involves Rx & Pv of infection, hypoglycemia, anemia, dehydration & correction of electrolyte disturbances, and vitamins & micronutrient deficiency (except iron).

feeding with F75 formula (75 kcal/100 ml)

2. Rehabilitation phase (2nd wk-6th wk):-

It involves feeding with F100 formula (100 kcal/100 ml) to give 100 kcal/kg/day. If

oral feeding is not tolerated, give it by NG tube.

follow-up phase (7th wk till recovery):-

By feeding to cover catch-up growth and also the provision of emotional stimulation with the aid of family & the community.

Refeeding Syndrome

It usually complicates the acute nutritional rehabilitation after aggressive enteral or

parenteral alimentation due to the development of severe hypophosphatemia after the

cellular uptake of phosphate during the 1st wk of starting therapy.

Other features of Refeeding syndrome include: hypokalemia, hypomagnesemia,

sodium retention, hyperglycemia, & vitamins deficiency (especially thiamin).



C.M. of hypophosphatemia especially when serum Pi is ≤ 0.5 mmol/L include: - weakness,

-rhabdomyolysis,

-neutrophil dysfunction, hemolysis, thrombocytopenia,

-seizures, altered consciousness,

-arrhythmias, cardiorespiratory failure, & sudden death

Inv. Monitor serum Pi, K, Mg & Ca frequently in the 1st 2 wk after Rx.

Rx. Slowly \uparrow feeding with supplementation of minerals (especially phosphate) &

vitamins (especially thiamin) as well as the correction of other electrolytes disturbances,

especially hypokalemia & hypomagnesemia



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