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#### Teaching Methodology

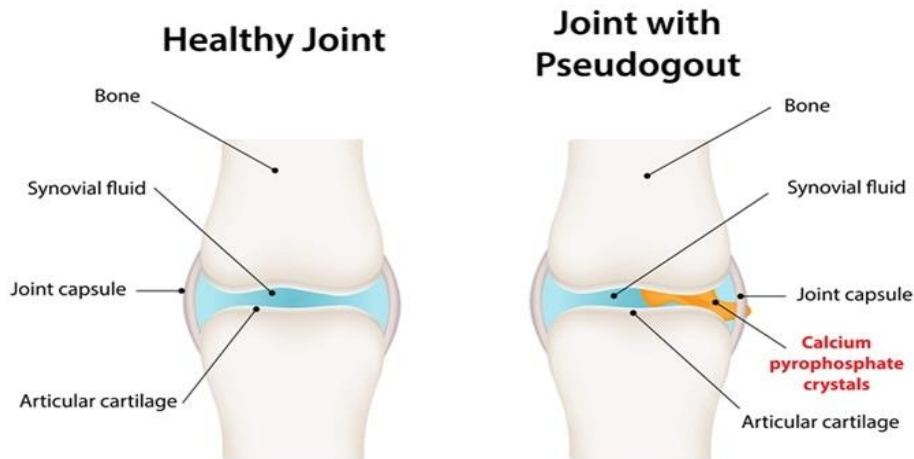
<b>Faculty Name</b>	: JV'n Dr. Ravi Jain (Asso. Professor & HOD)
<b>Program</b>	: BHMS
<b>Course</b>	: Practice of Medicine
<b>Session</b>	: Pseudogout & Crystal Deposition Disease

#### Academic Day starts with –

- Greeting with saying ‘**Namaste**’ by joining Hands together following by 2-3 Minutes Happy session, Celebrating birthday of any student of respective class and **National Anthem**

#### Lecture Starts with-

- **Review of previous Session-** In previous session as I had discussed about Gout
- **Topic to be discussed today-** In todays lecture I will start with Pseudogout & Crystal Deposition Disease.
- **Lesson deliverance (ICT, Diagrams & Live Example)-**
  - PPT (20 Slides)
  - Diagrams



**Picture of changes in Pseudogout**

## **Calcium Pyro-Phosphate Dihydrate (CPPD) Deposition Disease (Pseudogout)**

- CPPD disease is characterized by acute and chronic inflammatory joint disease, usually affecting older individuals.
- The knee and other large joints are most commonly affected.
- Crystals are thought not to form in synovial fluid but are shed from articular cartilage into joint space, where they are phagocytosed by neutrophils and incite an inflammatory response.
- It is most common in the elderly, occurring in 10–15% of persons age 65–75 years and 30–50% of those >85 years.
- CPPD is most often idiopathic but can be associated with other conditions
- Ageing
- Disease-associated
- Primary hyperparathyroidism
- Hemochromatosis
- Hypophosphatasia
- Hypomagnesemia

- Chronic gout
- Postmeniscectomy
- Epiphyseal dysplasias

## Clinical Manifestations

- **It can be :**
  - Asymptomatic
  - Acute
  - Subacute
  - Chronic
  - Acute synovitis superimposed on chronically involved joints.
  - Acute CPPD arthritis was termed **pseudogout** because of its striking similarity to gout.
- **Acute CPPD arthritis** (pseudogout) : knee is most frequently involved, **but polyarticular** in two-thirds cases. Other sites wrist, shoulder, ankle, elbow, hands. and temporomandibular joint.
- The involved joint is **erythematous, swollen, warm, and painful.**
- Most patients have evidence of **chondrocalcinosis** i.e Calcium deposits in articular cartilage
- **Chronic arthropathy** : progressive degenerative changes in multiple joints; can resemble osteoarthritis (OA).
- Joint distribution sites including knee, wrist, metacarpophalangeal (MCP), hips, and shoulders.
- **Symmetric proliferative synovitis** : seen in familial forms with early onset; clinically similar to RA.
- **Intervertebral disk and ligament calcification** with restriction of spine mobility
- **Spinal stenosis**
- Rarely periarticular **tophus-like nodules.**

- **Precipitating factors**

- Trauma
- Rapid diminution of serum calcium concentration, in severe medical illness or after surgery (especially parathyroidectomy).

- **Associated Symptoms**

- Low-grade fever and, on occasion, temperatures as high as 40°C (104°F).
- The leukocyte count in synovial fluid in acute CPPD can range from several thousand cells to 100,000 cells/ $\mu$ L, the predominant cell being the neutrophil.

### **Diagnosis**

- Synovial fluid analysis—demonstration of CPPD crystals, typical rhomboid or rod like crystals (generally weakly positively birefringent or non birefringent with polarized light).
- Radiographs or ultrasound demonstrate punctate and linear radiodense deposits within fibrocartilaginous joint menisci or articular hyaline cartilage, chondrocalcinosis and degenerative changes.
- Secondary causes of CPPD deposition disease in patients <50 years old.

### **Differential Diagnosis**

- OA
- RA
- Gout
- Septic arthritis.

### **Treatment**

- NSAIDs
- Intraarticular injection of glucocorticoids.
- Colchicine
- Hydroxychloroquine, or even methotrexate may be helpful

- Progressive destructive large-joint arthropathy may require joint replacement

### Calcium Apatite Deposition Disease

- Apatite is the primary mineral of normal bone and teeth.
- Abnormal accumulation occurs in areas of tissue damage (**dystrophic calcification**), **hypercalcemic** or **hyperparathyroid states** (metastatic calcification), and certain conditions of unknown cause.
- 30–50% of patients with **osteoarthritis** have apatite microcrystals in their synovial fluid.
- Apatite **aggregates** are commonly present in **synovial fluid** in an extremely **destructive chronic arthropathy** of the elderly that occurs most often in the shoulders (**Milwaukee shoulder**), hips, knees, and erosive osteoarthritis of fingers.

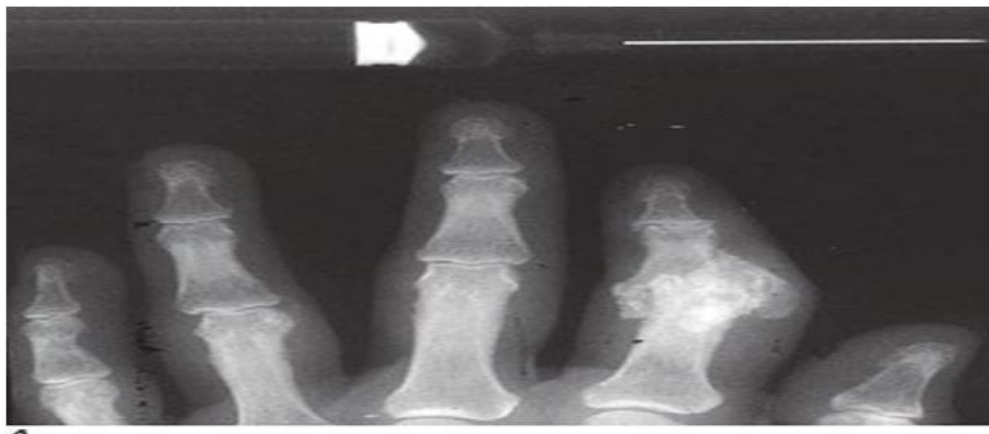


## Clinical Manifestation

- Periarticular or articular deposits is associated **with acute reversible inflammation to chronic damage** to the joint capsule, tendons, bursa, or articular surfaces.
- Joint destruction is associated with **damage to cartilage and supporting structures**, leading to instability and deformity.
- Clinical manifestations include **asymptomatic radiographic abnormalities, acute synovitis, bursitis, tendinitis, and chronic destructive arthropathy**.
- Symptoms range from **minimal to severe pain and disability** leading to joint replacement surgery.
- There is acute or subacute worsening of joint **pain and swelling**.

## Diagnosis

- The synovial fluid leukocyte count in apatite arthritis is usually low ( $<2000/\mu\text{L}$ ) despite dramatic symptoms, with predominance of mononuclear cells.
- It depends upon **identification of crystals** from synovial fluid or tissue.
- Individual crystals are **very small** and can be seen only by **electron microscopy or x-ray diffraction studies**.
- Radiographic appearance resembles CPPD disease.



## Treatment

- Treatment of apatite arthritis or peri-arthritis is nonspecific.
- Acute attacks of bursitis or synovitis is self-limiting, resolving in days to several weeks.
- NSAIDs
- Repeated aspiration,
- Rest of affected joint
- intra or periarticular injection of glucocorticoid.

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- **Suggestions to secure good marks to answer in exam-**

- Define Pseudogout. Write the etiology, pathogenesis, clinical features, of the same.
  
- **Questions to check understanding level of students-**
  - Enumerate various investigations commonly done for the identification of locomotor diseases.
  
- **Next Topic-**
  - Fibromyalgia its clinical features, investigations and management.

**Academic Day ends with-**

National song 'Vande Mataram'