

Neoplastic Proliferation of White Cells

General definitions:

leukemia: lymphoid or myeloid neoplasm originated from bone marrow and can spread to peripheral blood (not always)

lymphoma: Discrete tumor mass originated from lymph nodes. And they are two types Hodgkin (HL) and Non Hodgkin (NHL)

Both of them can spread to other regions as:
(LN, BM, spleen, liver, etc...)

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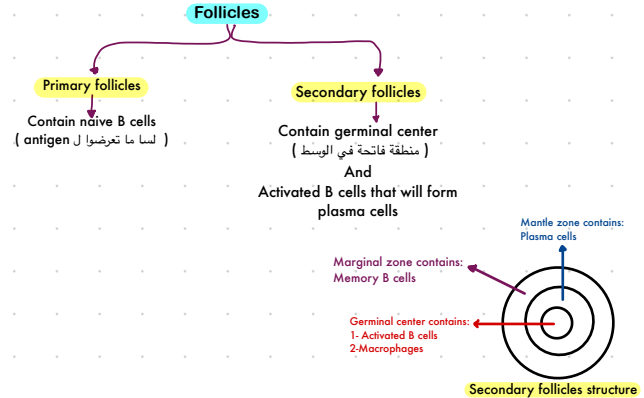
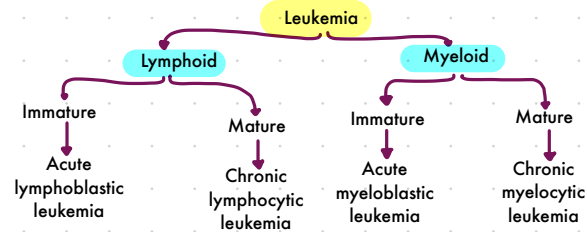
leukemia can be from immature cells (lymphoblastic or myeloblastic)
or mature cell (Lymphocytic or myelocytic)
* if it's immature we call it **Acute**
* if it's mature we call it **chronic**

Remember:

* **B cells** formed and become mature in bone marrow
-After that B cells stay in follicles of LN.
* **T cells** formed in bone marrow, mature in thymus
-After that T cells stay in parafollicular area of LN.

*WBCs neoplasms:

1-Common neoplasms. 2-Range from aggressive to indolent
3-Can occur at all ages



Why B cells neoplasms are more than T cells neoplasms ?

Because **B cells** in germinal centers undergo class switching and somatic hypermutation (the process of forming specific antibody to the antigen "Antibody diversification" And this process involves a lot of mutations on antigen receptor to reach the most specific AB-> that's why B cell neoplasms are more common.

Patients who have lymphoid neoplasms are:

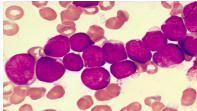
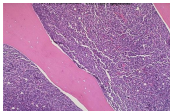
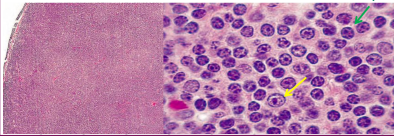
- 1-Immunodeficient
- 2-Can have autoimmunity
- 3-Can have inherited or acquired immune deficiencies; so increased risk of lymphomas (usually EBV associated)

ال tumor يعتمد على المرحلة إلى طلع منها لأنه كل tumor يتكون من
(Cells that arrested at or derived from specific stage of lymphocyte differentiation)

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Lymphocytes contain cell markers:

- 1- CD19,CD20,CD21,CD79->B cells
- 2- CD3,CD4->T helper cells
- 3- CD3,CD8->T cytotoxic cells
- 4- TdT: marker of early lymphoid origin "immature" (T and B lymphoblast)

| | Acute lymphoblastic leukemia / lymphoma (ALL) | | Chronic lymphocytic leukemia / Small lymphocytic lymphoma (CLL / SLL) |
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| Cells involved | Immature B or T cells (preB, preT)= lymphoblasts 85% B cells commonly manifest as acute leukemia 15% T cells commonly manifest as thymic lymphoma | | Mature B or T cells= lymphocytes But B cells more commonly affected *CLL and SLL are essentially identical |
| Affected Persons | B cells are commonly affected in children (peak: 3years) T cells are commonly affected in adolescence | | It's the most common leukemia of Adults in the west It also affects old age |
| Cause of neoplasms | Pre-B cell: ▷ Hyperdiploidy (> 50 chromosomes/cell) ▷ t(12;21). Good prognosis ▷ t(9;22) involving ABL & BCR genes. | Pre-T cell: ▷ NOTCH1 mutations ▷ CDKN2A mutations | It's an indolent tumor (increase tumor cells survival more important than tumor proliferation) الفكرة في هذا tumor مش إنه زادت عملية تصنيع الخلايا بقدر ما الخلايا صاروا مقاومين لعملية ال apoptosis وهذا أدى إلى زيادة عددهم |
| Histologic features | <div> <div>Leukemia</div> <div>BM is hypercellular and packed with lymphoblast</div> <div>Lymphoblast replace BM</div> </div> <div> <div>Lymphoma</div> <div>There will be mediastinal thymic mass</div> <div>More likely to infiltrate LNs and spleen</div> </div> <p>Lymphoblast:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Scant basophilic cytoplasm Nucleus with delicate, finely stippled chromatin Small nucleoli <p>T or B من ناحية ال histology مش رح نقدر نميز هل هي</p> <p>lymphoblast عشان هيك نتجه immunophenotype لنعرف cell markers الموجودة على سطح الخلية</p> <div>  <p>Abnormal lymphoblast</p>  <p>Abnormal BM</p> </div> <p>CBC:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Low RBC Low platelets Low or increased WBCs but even if they are increased they are unfunctional | | <p>Lymphocytic count >5000 cells/ML *Incidentally found tumor</p> <p>Neoplasm of mature B cells express CD20</p> <p>This tumor express CD5 (diagnostic feature)</p> <p>If lymph nodes are involved they will have:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Small lymphocytes with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Scanty cytoplasm *Dark, round nuclei *Clumped chromatin Large Lymphocytes (prolymphocytes) with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *prominent centrally located nucleoli <p>Small lymphocytes > prolymphocytes</p> <p>** 10-15% develop (Autoimmune hemolytic anemia and thrombocytopenia)</p> <div>  <p>Green arrow: small lymphocytes with clumped chromatin</p> <p>Yellow arrow: Prolymphocytes</p> </div> |
| Clinical symptoms | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Depression of marrow function leading to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Anemia Neutropenia Bleeding Mass effects → neoplastic infiltration; bone pain CNS manifestations <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Headache Vomiting Nerve palsies <p>▷ Aggressive but curable (85% cure rate in children)</p> <p>**Leading cause of cancer deaths in children</p> | | Often asymptomatic. But symptoms are nonspecific <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Easy fatigability Weight loss Anorexia, Generalized lymphadenopathy Hepatosplenomegaly. |

Prognosis

Worse prognosis

- ▷ Younger than 2
- ▷ Older than 10
- ▷ PB WBC count >100,000
- ▷ t(9;22)

Favorable prognosis

- ▷ Age between 2-10
- ▷ PB Low WBC count
- ▷ Hyperdiploidy
- ▷ t(12;21)

**Cure may only be achieved with

hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT)

Note:

Mantle cell lymphoma can also express CD5 as CLL/SLL

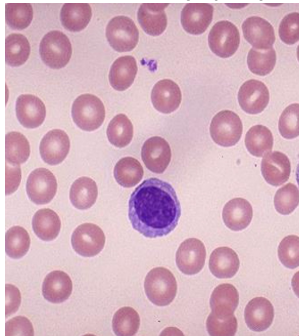
when diagnosing:

**Leukemia → We use bone marrow biopsy

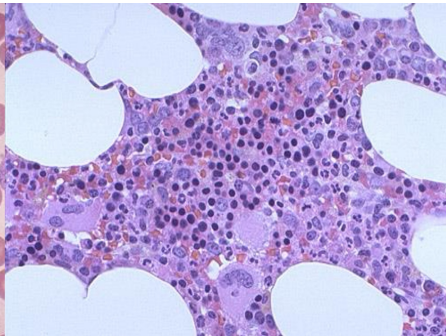
↳ But in CLL we use flow cytometry

**lymphoma → We use lymph node biopsy

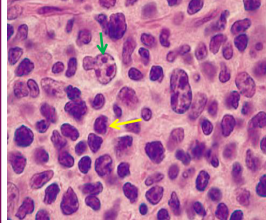
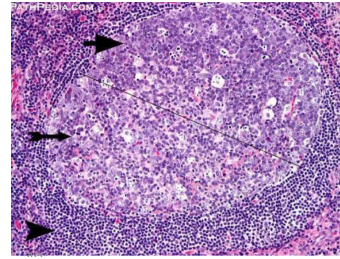
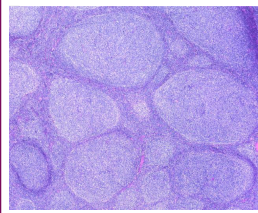
Normal mature lymphocyte



Normal bone marrow



| | Follicular Lymphoma | Mantle Cell Lymphoma |
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| Cells involved | | composed of cells resembling the naive B cells found in the mantle zones of normal lymphoid follicles. |
| Affected Persons | Relatively common tumor ↳ 40% of the adult NHLs | mainly in men older than 50 years of age |
| Cause of neoplasms | characteristic (14;18) translocation <small>fuses the BCL2 gene on chromosome 18 to the light locus on chromosome 14 ↳ inappropriate "overexpression" of BCL2 protein (an inhibitor of apoptosis) -> contributes to cell survival</small> mature B cell lymphoma | All tumors have an (11;14) translocation -> fuses the cyclin D1 gene to the IgH locus -> overexpression - of cyclin D1 -> stimulates growth by promoting the progression of cell cycle from G1 to S phases) |
| Histologic features | Lymph nodes usually are effaced by a distinctly nodular (follicular) proliferation <small>B-cells markers (mature B cell neoplasm). CD10 -> GC marker (expressed in Burkitt lymphoma, B-ALL & some DLBCL)</small> Two types of neoplastic cells, 1) the predominant called centrocytes have angular "cleaved" & indistinct nucleoli, 2) the other centroblasts, larger cells with vesicular chromatin, several nucleoli. | Immunophenotype: 1) B cell markers. 2) CD5 (as CLL/SLL) 3) Cyclin D1 (not expressed in CLL/SLL) A diffuse involvement of the lymph node. The tumor cells are slightly larger than normal lymphocytes with irregular nucleus, inconspicuous (not clear) nucleoli. Bone marrow is involved in most cases. sometimes arises in the GIT as multifocal polyps (lymphomatoid polyposis). |
| Clinical symptoms | Older than 50 Generalized painless lymphadenopathy Bone marrow is involved in 80% of cases Prolonged survival, not curable disease (indolent) 40% transform into DLBCL, dismal prognosis | Patients Present with fatigue & lymphadenopathy -> found to have generalized disease involving the bone marrow, spleen, liver, and (often) GIT. Moderately aggressive & incurable. The median survival is 4-6 |



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