#### In the name of God

**Diarrhea-Nutrition** 

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#### معرفی بیمار

شیرخوار ۸ ماهه ای را به دلیل اسهال آبکی از حدود یک ماه قبل نزد شما آورده اند.

در این مدت چندین بار به پزشکان مختلف مراجعه و دارو دریافت کرده ولی بهتر نشده و حدود یک کیلو کاهش وزن داشته است.

با شیر مصنوعی تغذیه می شود . در طی این مدت چند بار شیر وی تعویض شده ولی بهبود نداشته است. ۱- تشخیص چیست؟

persistent diarrhea (PD)

۲- چه اقدامات تشخیصی انجام می دهید؟

PD is a clinical Dx.

۳- چگونه بیمار را درمان می کنید؟

### Classification of diarrhea according to duration:

1- Acute < 7 days

2-Prolonged >7<14 days

3-Persistent or chronic>14 days

Chronic or persistent?

### Persistent diarrhea

1-Characteristics

2-Risk factors

3-Management

# PD, Risk factors

1- Age

2- Formula feeding

3- Recurrent GE

4- Malnutrition

5-Imm.deficiency

6-Male(boys)

7 - Age of mother (younger)

#### Persistent diarrhea

1-It is estimated that about 10% of acute diarrhea becomes persistent.

2-It is the most common cause of diarrhea associated malnutrition.

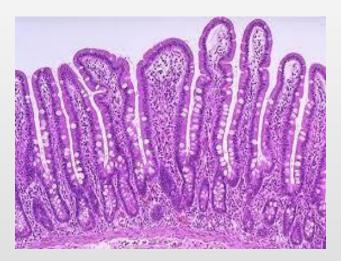
3- It is responsible for about 35%-55% of all diarrhea associated death.

PD is the most common cause of morbidity and mortality secondary to diarrhea in children.

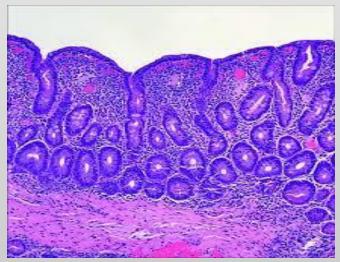
# PD, Pathophysiology

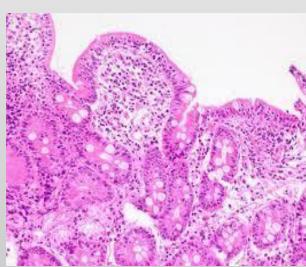
Acute diarrhea (Nl. villi) PD (Villous atrophy) Maldigestion, Malapsorption Malnutrition(Wt.loss)

# Normal mucosa and villous atrophy

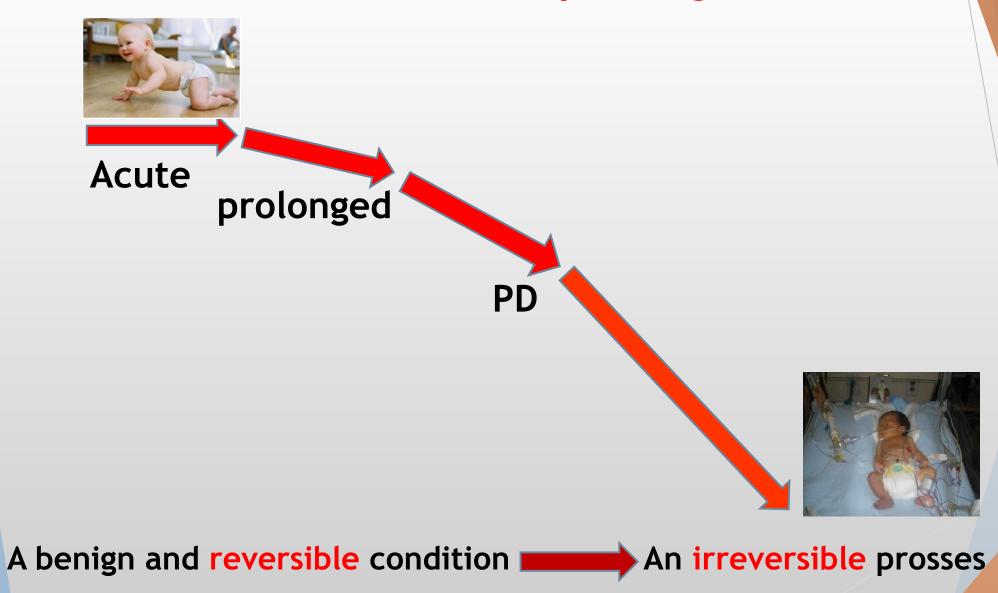








# Course of acute, prolonged and PD



### Acute or prolonged diarrhea:

1- No significant mucosal damage

2- Fluid(water) loss: Fluid therapy

#### Persistent diarrhea:

1- Has significant mucosal damage

2- Needs Nutrition therapy

The objectives of management of PD is to restore wt.gain and normal intestinal function.

Management includes:

1-Supportive care

2-Nutritional therapy (Rehabilitation)

3-Drug therapy

Dietary management(Nutrition therapy):

1-Enteral:

1-Oral , 2- By NG tube

2-Parenteral(TPN)

Nutrition therapy is the primary target of treatment in PD.

### Dietary management(Nutrition therapy):

- 1- It is essential to start oral feeding as soon as the child is rehydrated.
- 2- Most children will respond to dietary management using locally available foods.

- 3- Breast feeding should be continued.
- 4- At first diet should be given in frequent and small amounts.

### Dietary management(Nutrition therapy):

- 5- A low lactose or lactose free(LF) and HA formula are usually needed.
- 6- Eggs, chicken and yogurt based diets, cereals, legumes, vegetable and oil are recommended.
- 7- There is no need to limit fat intake.

How long LF or HA formula?

Supplementary vitamins and minerals:

All children with persistent diarrhea should receive supplementary multivitamins and minerals for two weeks.

#### Theses include:

1- Folate, 2-zinc, 3-Iron

4-copper, 5-magnesium, 6-vit A

WHO recommended providing at least two times the RDA for two weeks.

# Drug therapy:

1- Antibiotics

2-Cholestyramine

3-Creon

**4-probiotics** 

5-IVIG: 300mg/kg, oral, single dose

#### **Treatment outcome:**

The most important criterion for successful treatment is control of diarrhea and wt.gain.

Non-responders (treatment failure) or IDI:

Needs hospital admission and TPN.

