

PULMONARY INFILTRATES WITH EOSINOPHILIA

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Eosinophil cationic protein

Eosinophil peroxidase

Eosinophil-derived neurotoxin

Cytotoxic effects

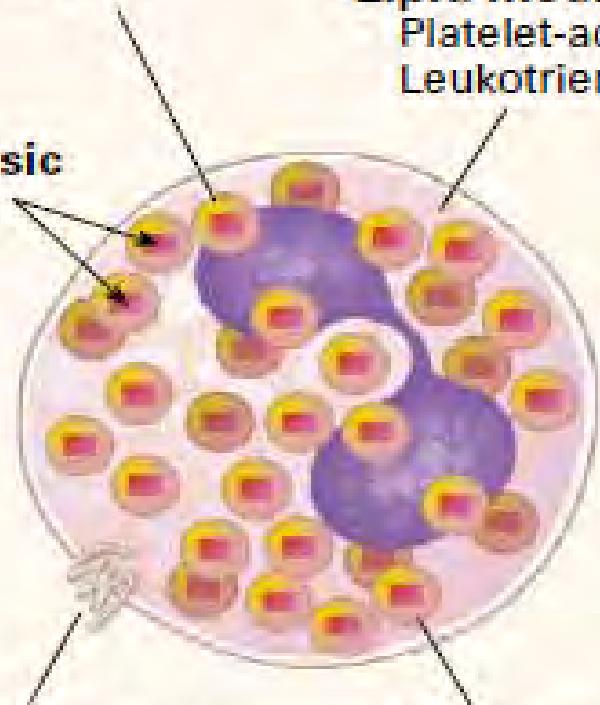
Cell activation

Major basic protein

Lipid mediators

Platelet-activating factor

Leukotriene C₄



Chemokine receptor

Chemoattraction

Cell activation

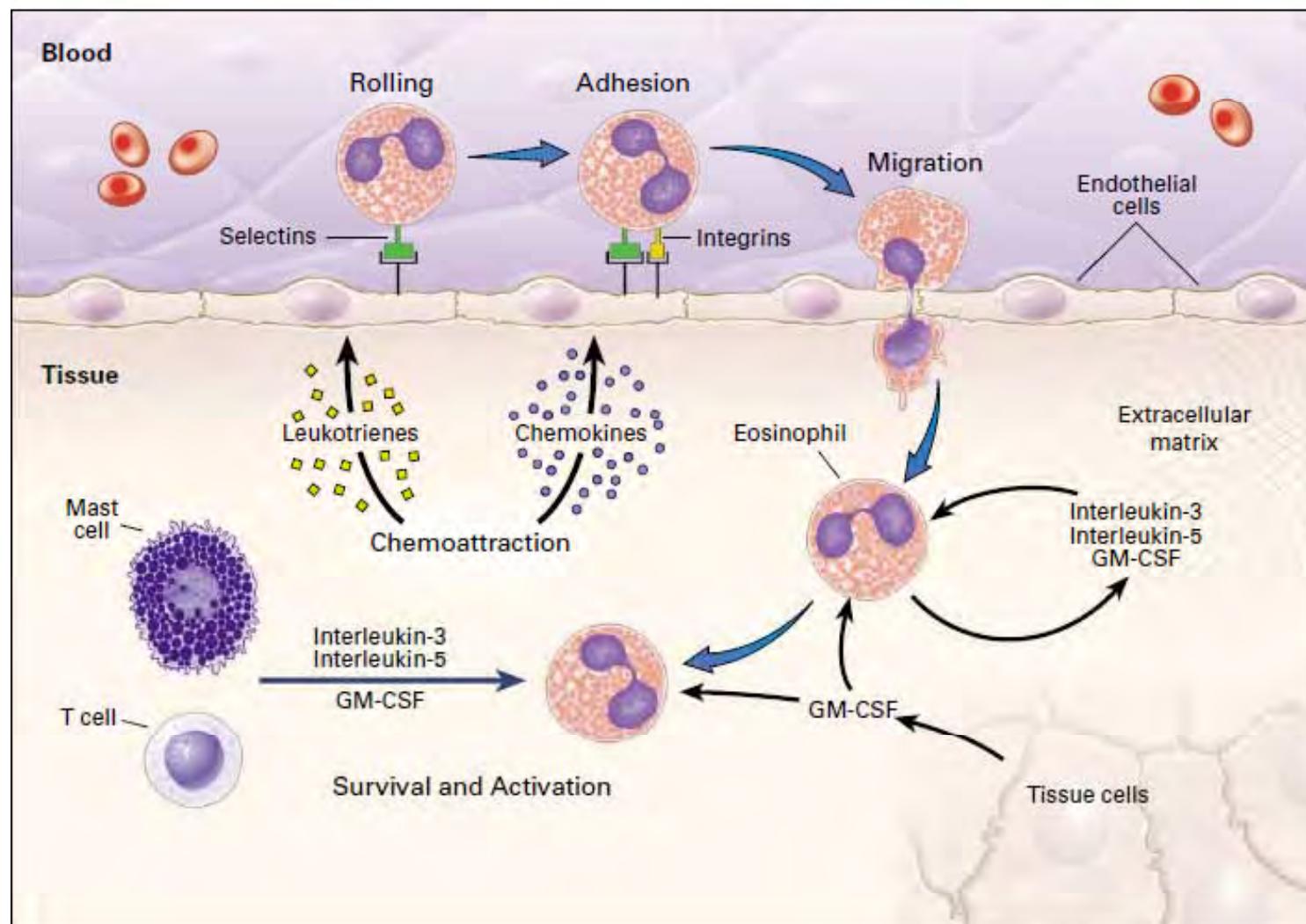
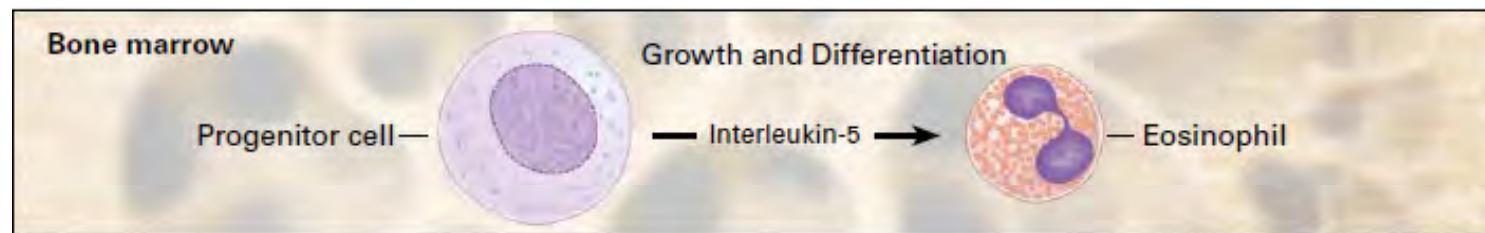
Cytokines

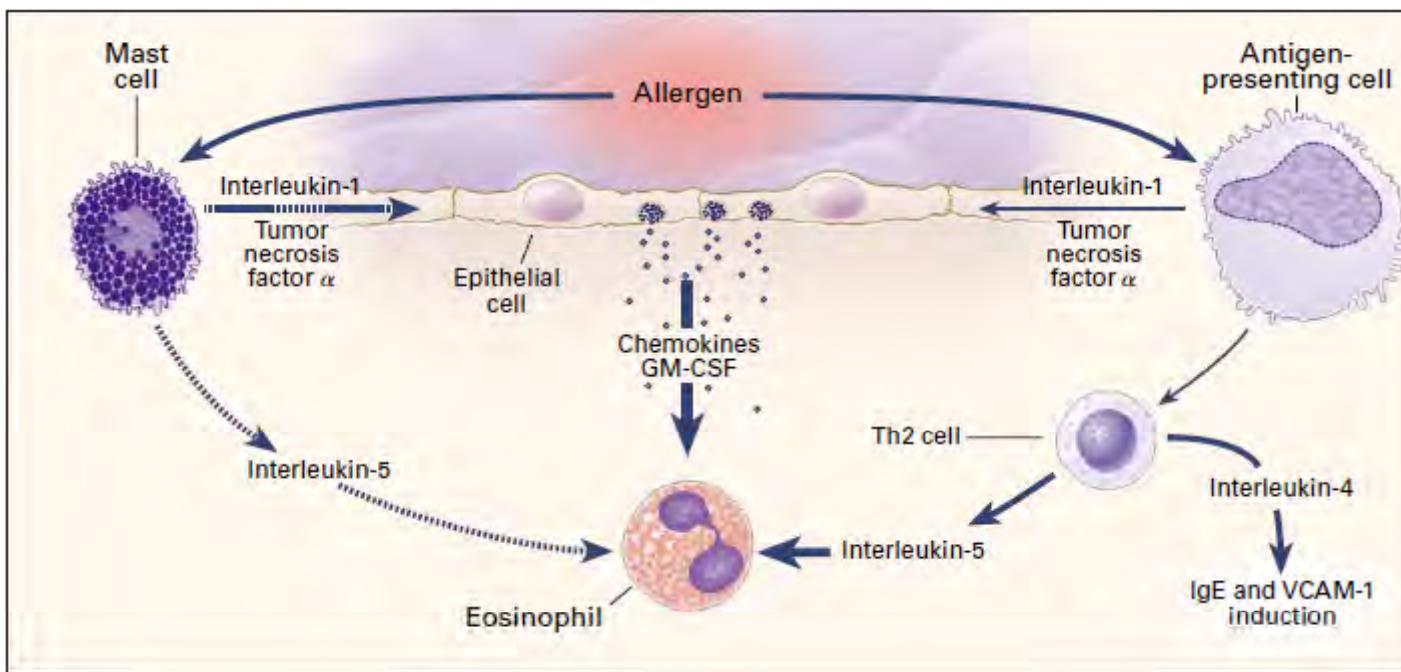
Hematopoiesis

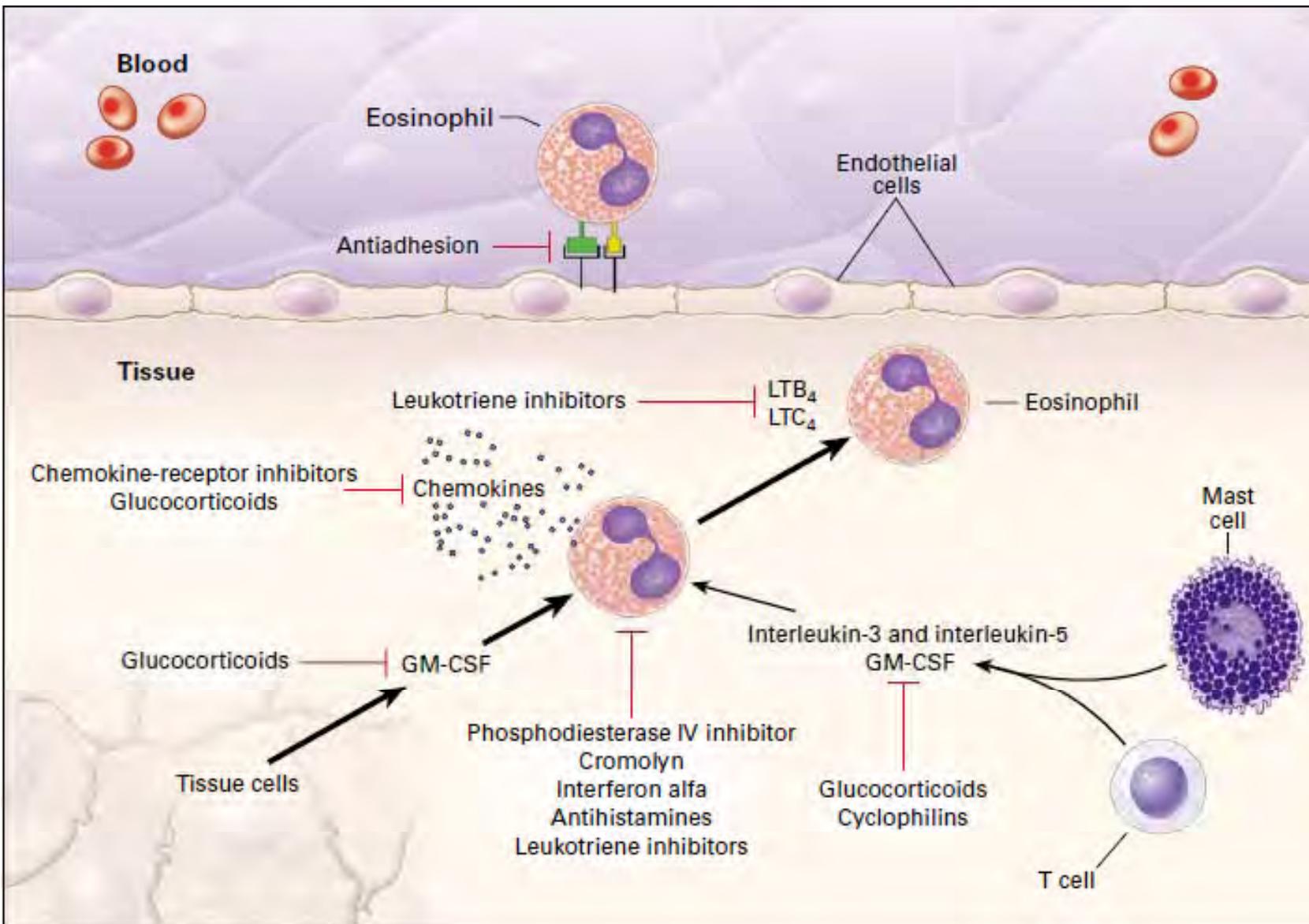
Chemoattraction

Proinflammatory effects

Tissue remodeling







	Intrinsic disorders	Extrinsic disorders
Eosinophil-associated esophagitis		
Primary EE (>15 eosinophils per high-power field without GERD)		
Atopic	Mutations of hematopoietic stem cells	Cytokines released by T cells
Nonatopic		
Familial		
Secondary	Chronic eosinophilic leukemia	Allergic diseases
Eosinophilic disorders	Acute myeloid leukemia	AD
Eosinophilic gastroenteritis	Chronic myeloid leukemia	Urticaria
HES	Myelodysplastic syndromes	Drug reactions
Noneosinophilic disorders	Idiopathic HES	Autoimmune diseases
Iatrogenic		BP
Infection (typically helminthic)		Dermatitis herpetiformis
GERD		Infectious diseases
Esophageal leiomyomatosis		HIV
Connective tissue disease (scleroderma)		Ectoparasitosis
Eosinophil-associated gastroenteritis		
Primary (mucosal, muscularis, and serosal forms)		
Atopic		
Nonatopic		
Familial		
Secondary		
Eosinophilic disorders		Erythema chronicum migrans
HES		Erythema toxicum neonatorum
Noneosinophilic disorders		Hyper-IgE syndrome (Job syndrome)
Celiac disease (typically not responsive to gluten avoidance alone)		EPF
Connective tissue disease (scleroderma)		Granuloma anulare
Iatrogenic		Angiolympoid hyperplasia with eosinophilia
Infection (typically helminthic)		Eosinophilic fasciitis
Inflammatory bowel disease		Eosinophilic cellulitis (Wells syndrome)
Vasculitis (CSS)		HES
Eosinophil-associated colitis		Inflammatory clonal T-cell disease
Primary eosinophilic colitis (also allergic colitis of infancy)		Cutaneous T-cell lymphoma
Atopic		Langerhans cell histiocytosis
Nonatopic		B-cell lymphomas
Secondary		Hodgkin lymphomas
Eosinophilic disorders		Acute T-cell leukemia/lymphoma
Eosinophilic gastroenteritis		
HES		
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Vasculitis (CSS)		

- PIE → > 1000/mm³ + Suggestive radiology

BAL

- N < 1% eosinophil
- ICEP> 40% , IAEP>25%
- 3-40%→IPF, CTD-ILD , HP, sarcoidosis , BA, pneumoconiosis , infection
- Eosinophilic pneumonia→predominant cell eosinophil & > 25% (>40%)of DLC

Gold standard - Seldom necessary

Eosinophils

Macrophages

Eosinophilic granules

Charcot leydon crystals

Eosinophilic microabscess

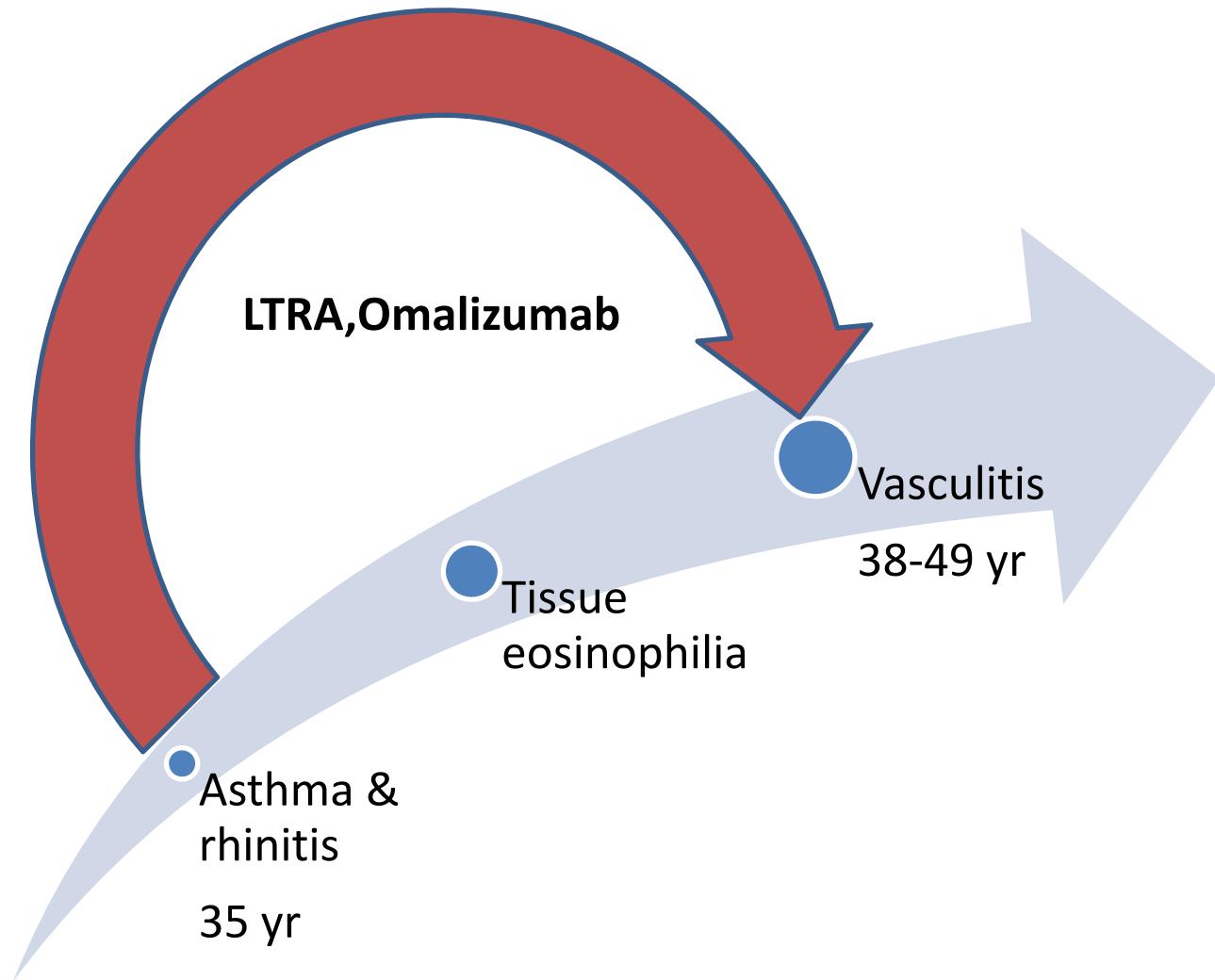
Global architecture of lung
remains normal

Vasculitis (usually non
necrotising)

DAD ,fibrinous exudates

Churg- Strauss syndrome (CSS)

- Eosinophil-rich and granulomatous inflammation.
- Necrotizing vasculitis affecting small to medium-sized vessels.
- Associated with asthma and eosinophilia.
- Possible defects in regulatory CD4+ CD25+ or CD4+ CD25- T-cell lymphocytes (producing IL-10 and IL-2) in CSS.
- ANCA + in 40 %



Pulmonary manifestations

- Prodromic & eosinophilic phase
- Long standing asthma
- Loeffler's like syndrome in 40% of pt
- Migratory ,nonlobar ,peripheral pulmonary infiltrates
- Nodular lesions (noncavitating)
- B/L pleural effusion

- Asthenia, weight loss, fever, arthralgias, and myalgias → often herald the development of the extrapulmonary manifestations of vasculitis.
- CCF – eosinophilic myocarditis/coronary arteritis/DCM
- Eosinophilic vasculitis in transplanted heart.
- Pericardial effusion/VTE
- Endomyocardial rare.

- Rhinitis/sinusitis (75%)
- PNS/CNS
- GIT
- Renal(26%)
- Dermatological(50%)
- Rheumatological

American College of Rheumatology criteria

Sensitivity 85% Specificity 99.7%

If 4/6 present in a patient with proven systemic vasculitis.

- Asthma.
- Eosinophilia >10% DLC.
- Mononeuritis (including multiplex) or polyneuropathy.
- Fluctuating opacities on chest x-ray.
- Bilateral maxillary sinus abnormalities.
- Presence of extravascular eosinophils on a biopsy including a vessel.

ANCA +ve vasculitic phenotype

- 38%
- Renal
- DAH
- Purpura
- PNS
- Vasculitic phenotype

ANCA -ve tissue disease phenotype

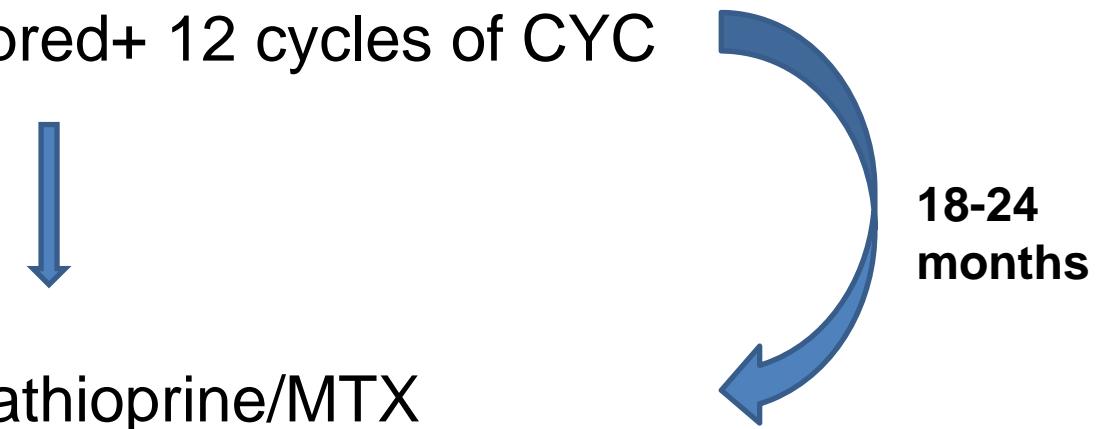
- 62%
- Cardiac
- Lung(except DAH)
- Eosinophilic lesion/organ fibrosis

Ann Intern Med 143:632–638, 2005
Arthritis Rheum 52:2926–2935, 2005.

FFS

- Proteinuria greater than 1 g/day.
- Renal insufficiency ,serum creat $>$ 1.58 mg/Dl.
- Gastrointestinal tract involvement
- Cardiomyopathy
- Central nervous system

Medicine (Baltimore) 1996; 75:17-28.

- FFS = 0 → Steroids ± MTX
 - FFS >0 → Pulse methypred + 12 cycles of CYC
- Taper/stop steroids ± Azathioprine/MTX
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- 18-24 months

Rituximab → role in ANCA +; bronchospasm in ANCA -ve

Rheumatology (Oxford) 2008; 47:1104-1105.

- Imatinib
- Anti IL-5/Mepolizumab
- Infliximab/Etarecept

Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2003; 167:1655–1659.

ICEP (Idiopathic chronic eosinophilic pneumonia)

- Female:male - 2:1
- 45 yrs
- ?Smoking protective
- H/O atopy in half
- Asthma 2/3 of pt

Clinical features

- SOB X mths
- Chest pain
- Dry cough → min mucoid sputum
- Hemoptysis(10%)
- Wt loss=10 kg (10%)
- URT(rhinitis/sinusitis)
- Wheeze 1/3 rd

Peripheral consolidation with eosinophilia

- CEP
- SPE
- CSS
- Drug induced
- Sarcoidosis
- DIP

- ↑ESR, ↑ IgE
- ↑↑urinary EDN(eosinophil degranulation)
- PFT→ obstructive/restrictive
- T/t→ steroids ;dramatic response
 - >6 mth /relapses

IAEP

- 1. Acute onset of febrile respiratory manifestations (<1 mth)
- 2. Bilateral diffuse opacities on chest radiography
- 3. Hypoxemia, with PaO₂ on room air < 60 mm Hg, and/or PaO₂/FiO₂ <300 mm Hg, and/or sPO₂ on room air < 90%
- 4. Lung eosinophilia, with >25% eosinophils on BAL DLC(or eosinophilic pneumonia at lung biopsy)
- 5. Absence of infection, or of other known causes of eosinophilic lung disease (especially drug induced)

N Engl J Med 321:569–574, 1989. *Allergy* 60:841–857, 2005.

- Average age -30 yr but can be <20/>40
- Male
- <7 to <30 days
- Asthma/atopy ±
- Recent alterations in smoking habits seem to play a major role in the onset of “idiopathic” AEP.
- Outdoor activities??

Chest 2008; 133:1174-1180.

- Increased levels of (1 3)-beta-D-glucan (a major component of the cell wall of most fungi and also one of the components of cigarette smoke) have been reported in BAL fluid

Chest 2007; 131:1234-1237.

- Peripheral AEC- <300 ; may↑↑ during course
- BAL eosinophil 37-54%
- PFT - restrictive
- MV/NIV is necessary in a majority of patients for ALI or ARDS.
- shock is exceptional ; extrapulmonary organ failure does not occur.
- T/t →methylprednisolone; spontaneous
- Prognosis better than ALI/ARDS

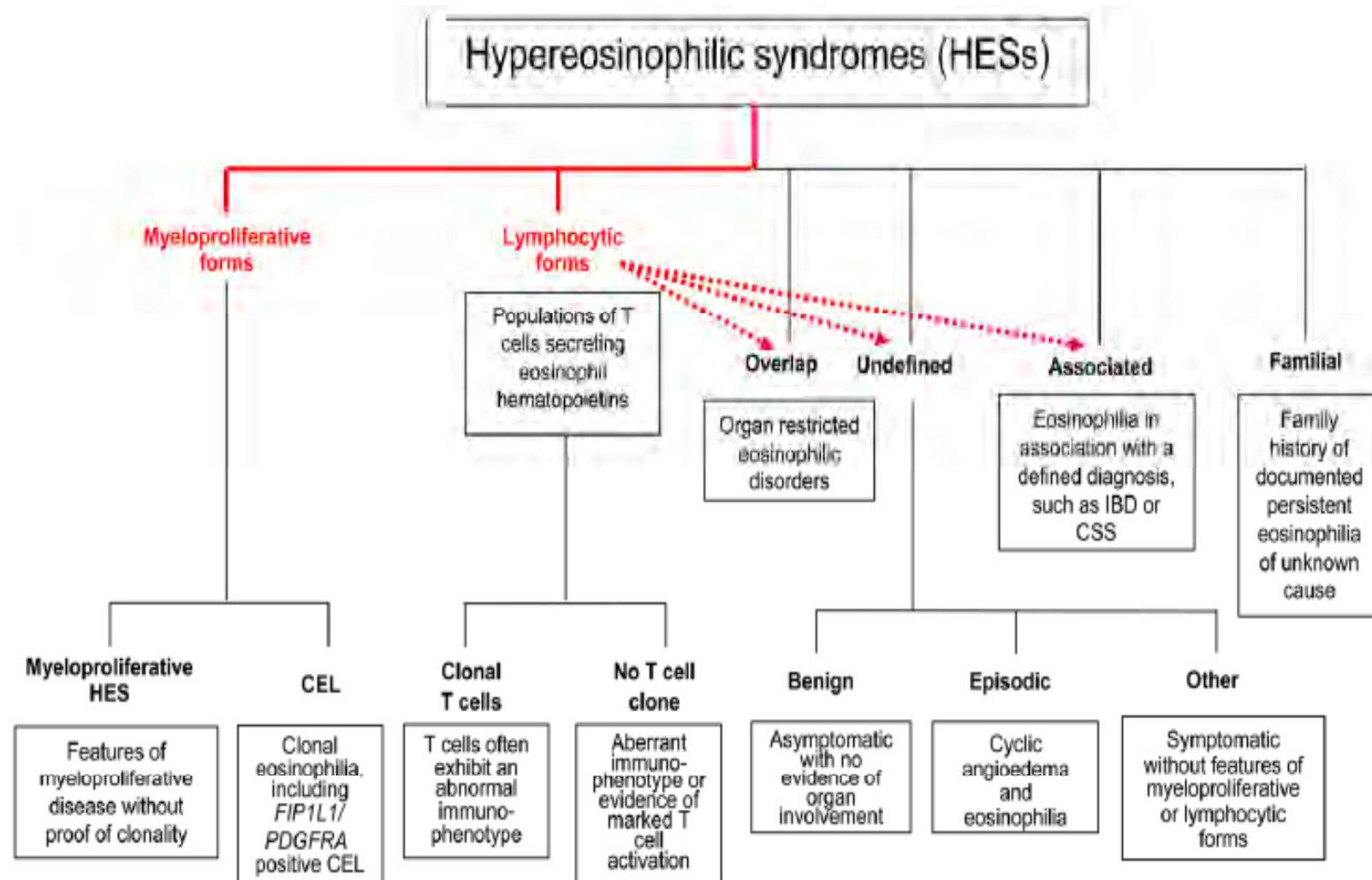
Hypereosinophilic syndrome

Old definition: idiopathic hypereosinophilic syndrome

1. Blood eosinophilia of greater than $1500/\text{mm}^3$ for at least 6 mo
2. Unknown trigger of eosinophilia
3. Signs and symptoms of organ involvement

Proposed new definition: HESs

1. Blood eosinophilia of greater than $1500/\text{mm}^3$ on at least 2 occasions or evidence of prominent tissue eosinophilia associated with symptoms and marked blood eosinophilia
2. Exclusion of secondary causes of eosinophilia, such as parasitic or viral infections, allergic diseases, drug-induced or chemical-induced eosinophilia, hypoadrenalinism, and neoplasms



Available in most hospital settings

- Complete blood count with leukocyte differential
- Microscopic examination of peripheral blood smear
- Serum IgE
- Serum IgG, IgA, IgM
- Serum Vitamin B12
- Leukocyte alkaline phosphatase score
- Bone marrow smear and biopsy (with staining for tryptase and reticulin)
- Lymphocyte phenotyping
- TCR gene rearrangement analysis (Southern blot and polymerase chain reaction)
- Conventional cytogenetic analysis on peripheral blood and bone marrow
- Abdominal ultrasound (measurement of liver and spleen)
- Echocardiogram and cardiac magnetic resonance imaging when possible

Investigations referred to qualified laboratories

- Serum tryptase
- Serum TARC (thymus and activation-regulated chemokine)
- FIP1L1-PDGFR α fusion
RT-PCR, FISH
- Lymphocyte phenotyping*
including CD2, CD3, CD4, CD5, CD6, CD7, CD8, CD25, CD27, CD45RO, TCR α/β , TCR γ/δ , HLA-DR, CD95
- TCR gene rearrangement analysis*
eventually on a FACS-sorted phenotypically aberrant population
- Conventional cytogenetic analysis*
in presence of rIL-2 in addition to usual mitogens
- Cytokine profile of T-cell populations
IL-4, IL-5, IL-13, IL-3, GM-CSF
intracellular cytokines at the single cell level by flow cytometry
cytokines in PBMC culture supernatants

Treatment

- m-HES → imatinib mesylate 100-400 mg/d
side effects- nausea, vomiting, fluid overload
cardiotoxic
- L-HES → corticosteroids
- Prognosis
survival 12% at 3 yrs → 70% at 10 yrs

Novel Therapies

- Nilotinib
- dasatinib
- Sorafenib
- PKC412
- Anti-IL5 therapies :
 - mepolizumab
 - reslizumab
- Alemtuzumab : anti -CD52 Mab

Loeffler syndrome(SPE)

- a/k/a Simple pulmonary eosinophilia
- Any age
- Self limiting resp symptoms
- Mod- marked eosinophilia
- ?hypersensitivity to ascaris lumbricoides

- PFT – restrictive; dec DLco
- Stool R/E- WNL until 8 weeks of onset of respiratory syndrome → so F/U over 3 mth period
- Search for other etiology
- T/t → bronchodilators ± steroids ± mebendazole

- Eosinophilic pneumonia due to parasites almost always occurs during larval migration to the lungs.
- Initially (in the pulmonary infiltrate phase) parasitological stool examination results are negative, because the worms are still in the larval phase and therefore do not produce eggs.
- Stool examination results remain negative for up to 8 weeks after the onset of pulmonary symptoms.

Tropical pulmonary eosinophilia

- 2nd-3rd decade
- Males
- C/F- immune response of the host to the parasites.
- Nocturnal cough ± SOB/wheeze
- LOA/fever

- do not usually have clinical features of lymphatic filariasis.
- Microfilariae are usually not found in the blood or the lung. The circulating microfilariae are trapped in the lung vasculature where they release their antigenic contents, further triggering the inflammatory pulmonary reaction.

- BAL(54%) & blood(2000) eosinophilia
- IgE levels >10,000 ng/mL
- ↑↑ antifilarial IgG.
- Persisting irregular basilar opacities in 2/3 of patients after 1 year.
- “reticulonodular pattern” in majority of patients ±bronchiectasis/air trapping/mediastinal lymphadenopathy
- T/t → DEC 2mg/kg tds X 2-3 weeks ± steroids

Diagnostic criteria

- cough worse at night
- residence in a filarial endemic area
- eosinophil count > 3300 cells/mm³
- clinical and hematologic response to DEC

Respir Med 1999; 93:655-659.

Strongyloidosis

- Loeffler's like symptoms following transcutaneous infection
- Chronic → by autoinfection → recurrent asthma like symptoms which worsen with steroid
- Hyperinfection syndrome in defective CMI/GI disorder → prolong therapy
- Ivermectin/thiabendazole/albendazole

- Ankylostomiasis → creeping eruption
self limiting (no specific T/t)
- Toxocara canis → visceral larva migrans
↑TLC, IgG & E, hepatomegaly
self limiting
albendazole/steroids hasten recovery

DRUGS WITH TYPICAL PULMONARY EOSINOPHILIA

Acetylsalicylic acid
Captopril
Diclofenac
Ethambutol
Fenbufen
Granulocyte-macrophage colony-stimulating factor
Ibuprofen
Minocycline
Naproxen
Para (4)-aminosalicylic acid
Penicillins
Phenylbutazone
Piroxicam
Pyrimethamine
Sulindac
Sulfamides-sulfonamides
Tolfenamic acid
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole

DRUGS WITH OCCASIONAL PULMONARY EOSINOPHILIA

Bleomycin
Carbamazepine
Chlorpromazine
Cocaine
Desipramine
Dapsone
Febarbamate
Gold salts
Heroin
Imipramine
Isoniazid
Loxoprofen
Mephenesin
Methotrexate
Methylphedinate
Nitrofurantoin
Nomifensine
Pentamidine
Perindopril
Phenytoin
Propranolol
Sulfasalazine
Trimipramine

Interstitial Lung Disease (4th ed).London: BC Dekker, 2003, pp 657–700.

Manifestation	Drugs
Generalised rash with or without fever	Any drug is a possibility Mostly seen with antibiotics
Interstitial nephritis with eosinophiluria	Antibiotics, gold compounds, allopurinol
Pulmonary infiltrates	Nitrofurantoin, minocycline, naproxen, penicillins, phenylbutazone, sulindac, piroxicam, sulphonamides, nimesulide, tolfenamic acid
Pleuropulmonary manifestations	Dantrolene sodium, bleomycin, methotrexate
Hepatitis	Phenothiazines, penicillins, tolbutamide, allopurinol, methotrexate, fluoroquinolones
Leucocytoclastic vasculitis	Allopurinol, phenytoin
Chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyposis and asthma	Aspirin
Eosinophilia-myalgia syndrome	L-tryptophan
DRESS syndrome (drug rash with eosinophilia and systemic symptoms)	Carbamazepine, allopurinol, antibiotics, etc.

- Eosinophilic- myalgia syndrome
- Toxic oil syndrome- dSSc like / spain 1981 Acute→
resp failure- death

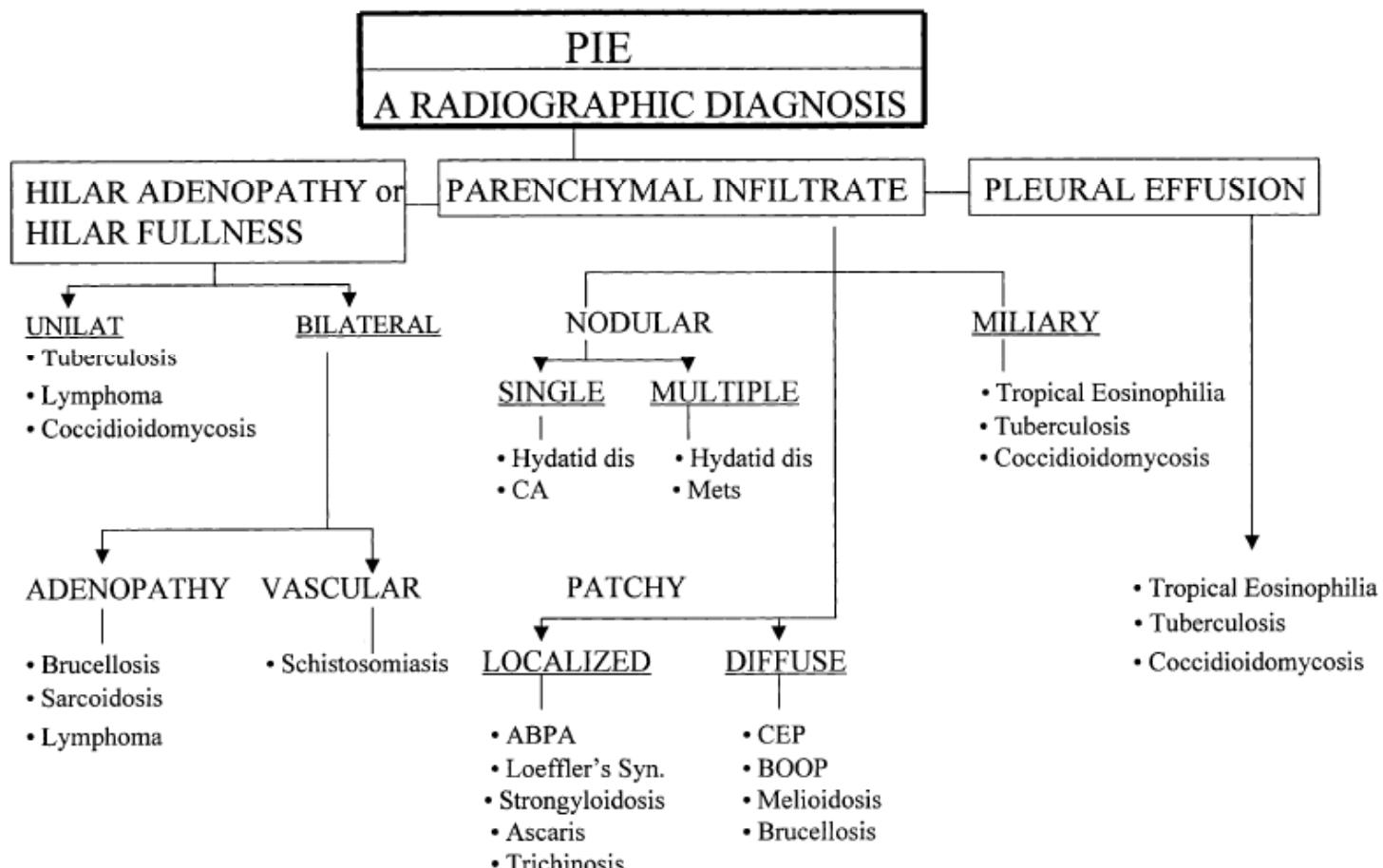
Chronic→ HTN/SSc/hepatic/sicca/polyneuropathy/jt
contractures/chronic pulmonary sequelae

- May resemble
ICEP/IAEP/CSS
- Stop drugs
- Corticosteroids±

Bronchocentric granulomatosis

- inflammatory and destructive process beginning within the bronchiolar walls and further extending into the surrounding parenchyma with a peribronchiolar distribution of the lesions.
- 50% pt are asthmatics.
- Scattered fungal hyphae .
- blood eosinophilia >1000 eosinophils/mm³.

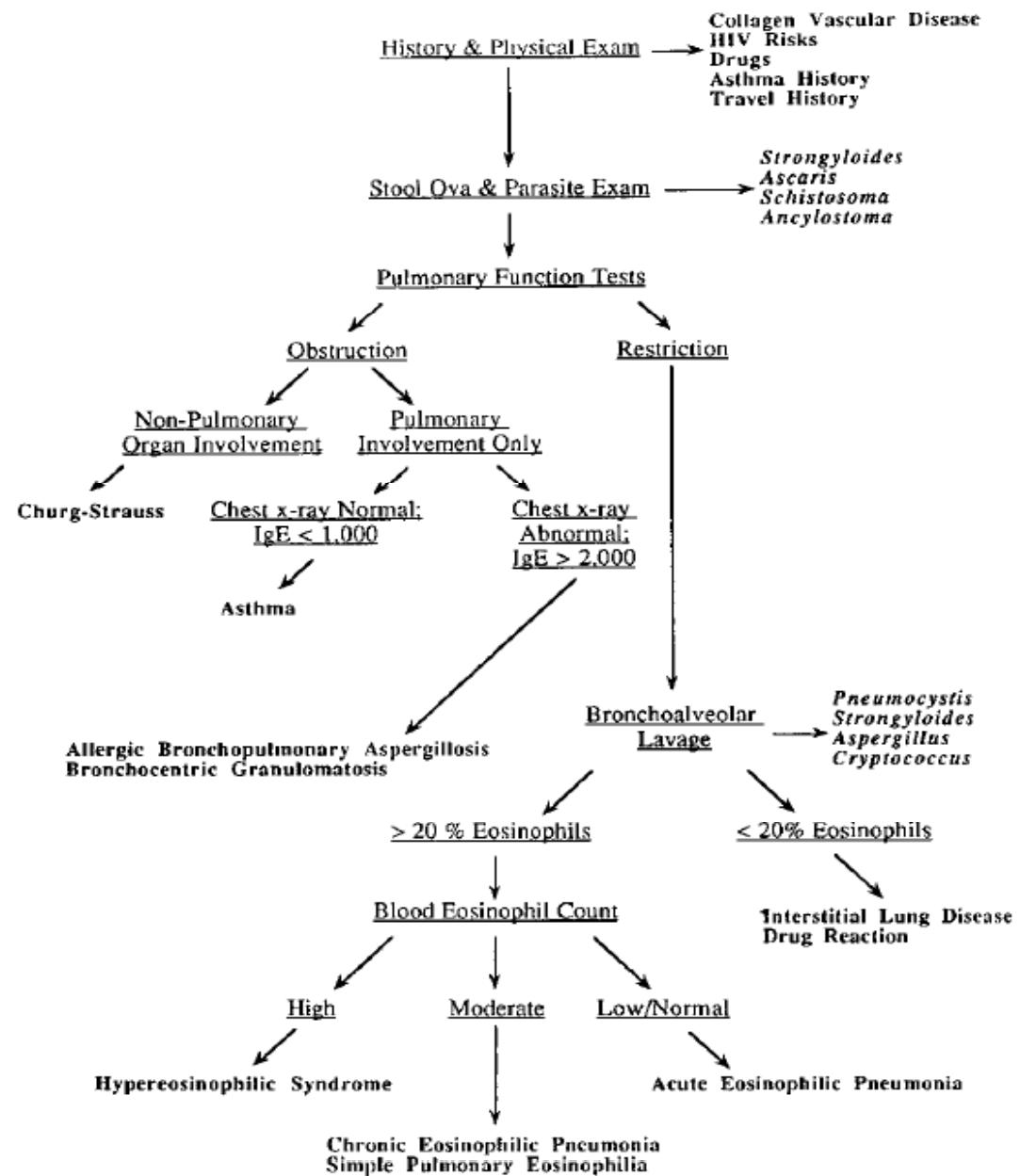
- CXR → The radiographic features consist of masses, alveolar opacities or pneumonic consolidation, or reticulonodular opacities, which predominate in the upper lobes and are u/l in majority.
- Most of these patients fulfill the criteria for ABPA.
- corticosteroids are efficient with an excellent prognosis, although recurrences are common



Initial workup

- Drug history
- Travel history ?
- Serology testing for selective helminths
- 3 stool specimen & urine specimen for ova & larvae
- Asthma history
- PFT
- ANA/ANCA
- HIV

- Serial complete Hgm
- Serum IgE
- Vitamin B12
- ECG,ECHO
- HRCT thorax
- BAL
- Specific IgE,IgG
- Serum precipitins



Am J Respir Crit Care Med 150:1423–1438, 1994.)

Serum IgE levels in pulmonary infiltration with eosinophilia syndrome

	Mildly high (<500 IU)	Moderately high (500–1000 IU)	Extremely high (>1000 IU)
Normal (IU)			
Tuberculosis	Coccidioidomycosis	Strongyloidiasis	Allergic bronchopulmonary aspergillosis
Brucellosis	Drug-induced	Schistosomiasis	Tropical pulmonary eosinophilia
Hydatid cyst (encapsulated)	Loeffler's syndrome	Paragonimiasis	Churg-Strauss syndrome
Amebiasis	Sezary syndrome	Hydatid cyst (if cyst leaks)	
Polyarteritis nodosa			
Langerhan's cell granulomatosis			
Sarcoidosis			