

# DISEASES OF BONE

## CONGENITAL ANOMALIES-

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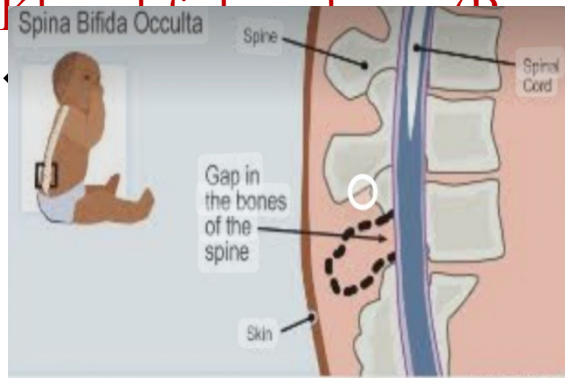
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### Malformation of Vertebral Column-

#### Spinal bifida occulta-

- ❖ It results from failure of fusion of the halves of the vertebral arch (small gap in the bones of spine), most often in the lumbar and sacral regions.
- ❖ Over bifida skin is intact, no visible sign of the defect
- ❖ Dimple or tuft of hair present.

#### Spina Bifida Occulta (B. collis)-



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## Scoliosis-

- ❖ Sideways curvature of the spine.
- ❖ It occurs most often during the growth spruts just before puberty.
- ❖ Severe scoliosis can be painful and disabling.
- ❖ Treatment is not required, some times brace or surgery is required.

## Kyphosis / Hunchback-

- ❖ Forward rounding of the back
- ❖ It is common in older women and often related to osteoporosis.
- ❖ Some people have back pain and stiffness.
- ❖ Treatment- Pain killer, Physiotherapy and some times surgery.

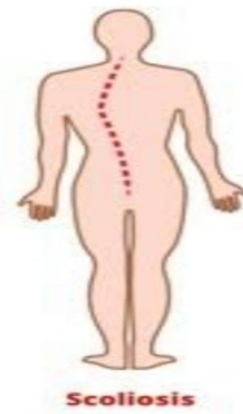
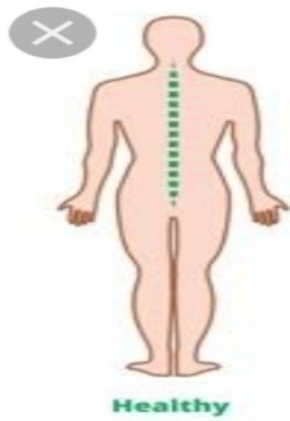
## **Lordosis-**

- ❖ Inward curving of lower back just above the buttocks.
- ❖ It may be inherited or caused by conditions such as arthritis, muscular dystrophy and dwarfism.
- ❖ Lower back pain.
- ❖ In children- lordosis correct itself and some adults need physiotherapy.

## **Malformation of Foot-**

### **Club foot or CTEV(Congenital Talipes Equino Varus deformity)-**

- ❖ It is a birth defect, one or both feet are rotated inwards and downwards.
- ❖ Affected foot, calf and leg may be smaller than the other.
- ❖ 50% cases both feet are involved.
- ❖ Issues with walking.
- ❖ It is managed by corrective POP cast(Ponseti method) and corrective footwear, some times lengthening of achilles tendon is required



## **Malformation of Phalanges-**

### **Polydactyl-**

- ❖ In this condition someone is born with one or more extra fingers or toes.

### **Syndactyl-**

- ❖ Abnormal connection of two conjoined digits.
- ❖ Most common webbing between middle and ring fingers.

### **Macroductyl-**

- ❖ In infants fingers or toes are abnormally large because of over growth of bone and soft tissues.

### **Microductyl-**

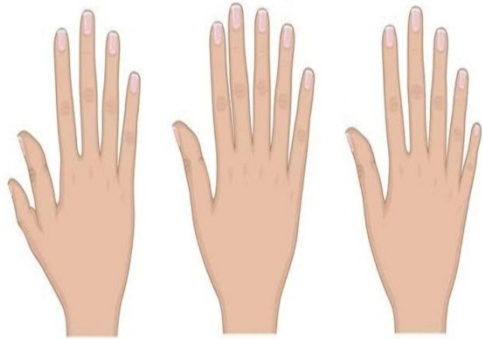
- ❖ Smallness or shortness of the fingers or toes.

## **Other bone Malformation-**

### **Phacomelia-**

- ❖ It is rare congenital deformity in which the hands or feet are attached close to the trunk.
- ❖ The limbs being grossly underdeveloped or absent.
- ❖ This condition was side effect of drug thalidomide taken during early pregnancy.

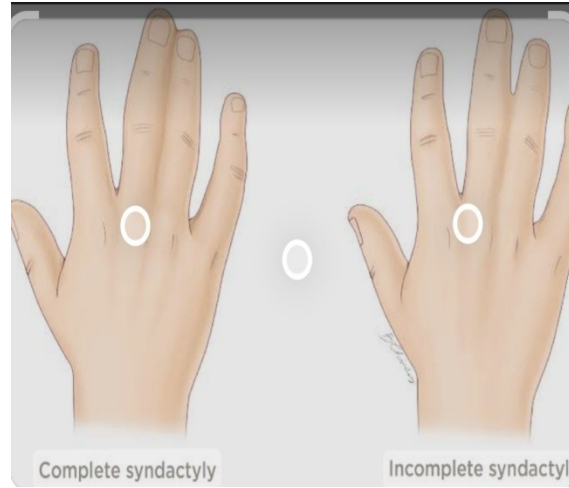
## Types of Polydactyly



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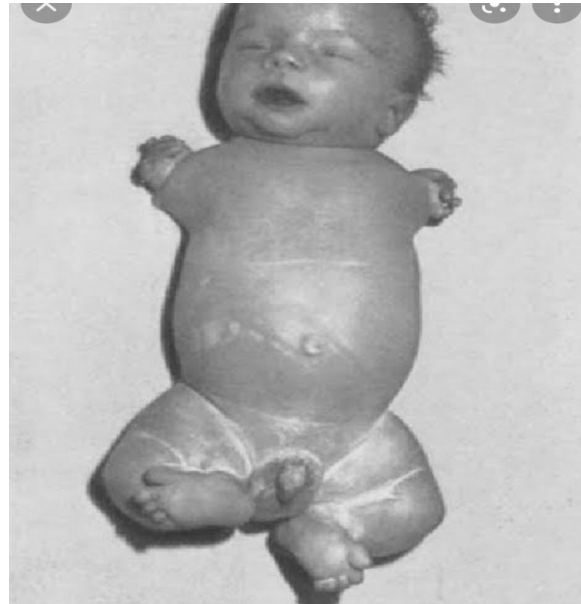
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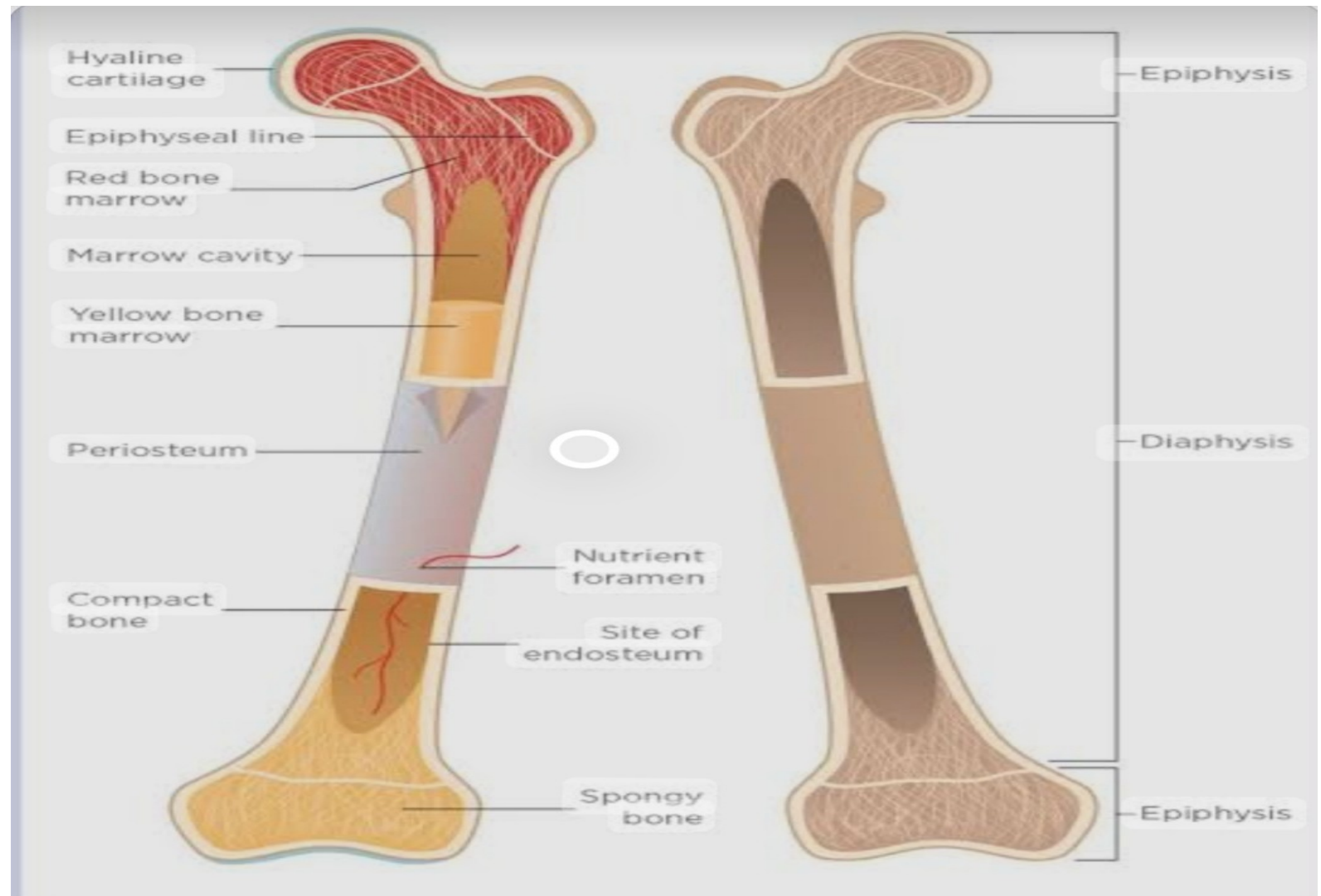
Postaxial (Ulnar)



Complete syndactyly

Incomplete syndactyly







# Osteomyelitis/ vfLFkeTtkxrfonzf/k&

**Definition** - Infection of the bone by microorganism is called Osteomyelitis.

**Types-** 1. Acute 2. Chronic

## 1. Acute osteomyelitis-

- ❖ It can be Primary (Haematogenous) or secondary (following an open fracture of bone operation).
- ❖ Primary/ haematogenous osteomyelitis is commonest (seen in children).

## Etiopathogenesis-

- ❖ Staphylococcus aureus (Commonest cause)
- ❖ Other- streptococcus, pneumococcus

## Sites-

- ❖ Lower femoral metaphysis (Commonest site)
- ❖ Other common site- upper tibia, upper femoral and upper humeral metaphysis.

## Pathology-

Infection of bone (by bacteria)



Inflammatory reaction show by bone



Destruction of bone



Produce pus (exudate+cells)

## Clinical Features-

- ❖ Its a diseases of childhood.
- ❖ More common in boys (Prone to injury)
- ❖ Presents with an acute onset of pain and swelling at the end of bone.
- ❖ Fever
- ❖ Find a primary focus of infection elsewhere in body (tonsil, skin etc.)

## Examination-

- ❖ The child is febrile and dehydrated
- ❖ Present with classical sign of inflammation (Redness, heat, oedema, pain and loss of function) localised to the metaphyseal area of bone.
- ❖ In later stages, abscess in the muscle or subcutaneous plane.

## Investigation-

- ❖ Blood- CBC, ESR are elevated
- ❖ X-ray
- ❖ Bone scan

## Treatment-

- ❖ Treatment depends upon the duration of illness-

If the Patient is brought within 48 hours of the onset of the Pain-  
(supposed that pus has not yet formed)

- ❖ Rest of limb
- ❖ Antibiotics and anti-inflammatory drugs give.

If the patient is brought-after 48 hours of the onset of symptoms-

- ❖ In this condition conservative treatment does not respond already collection of pus within or outside of bone.
- ❖ Surgical exploration and drainage is necessary.

## **Complication-**

### **General complication-**

- ❖ Septicaemia and Pyemia.
- ❖ If uncontrolled- may be fatal.

### **Local complication-** (due to delay in diagnosis & treatment)

- ❖ Chronic Osteomyelitis
- ❖ Acute pyogenic arthritis.

**Pathological fracture-** through weakened bone.

**Growth plate disturbances-** (shortening, lengthening or deformity of limb)

## **Chronic Osteomyelitis-**

Chronic Osteomyelitis is used for chronic pyogenic Osteomyelitis.

### **Pathology-**

AO commonly leads to CO because of one or more of the following reasons:

- ❖ **Delayed and inadequate treatment:**

Delayed causes spread of pus within the medullar cavity and subperiosteally.

- ❖ **Type and virulence of organism**

Body defence mechanism may not be able to control highly virulent organism so persists infection.

- ❖ **Reduced immunity**

When infection persists of the above reasons



Bone responds by generating more and more sub-periosteal new bone  
so osteomyelitic bone has an irregular surface

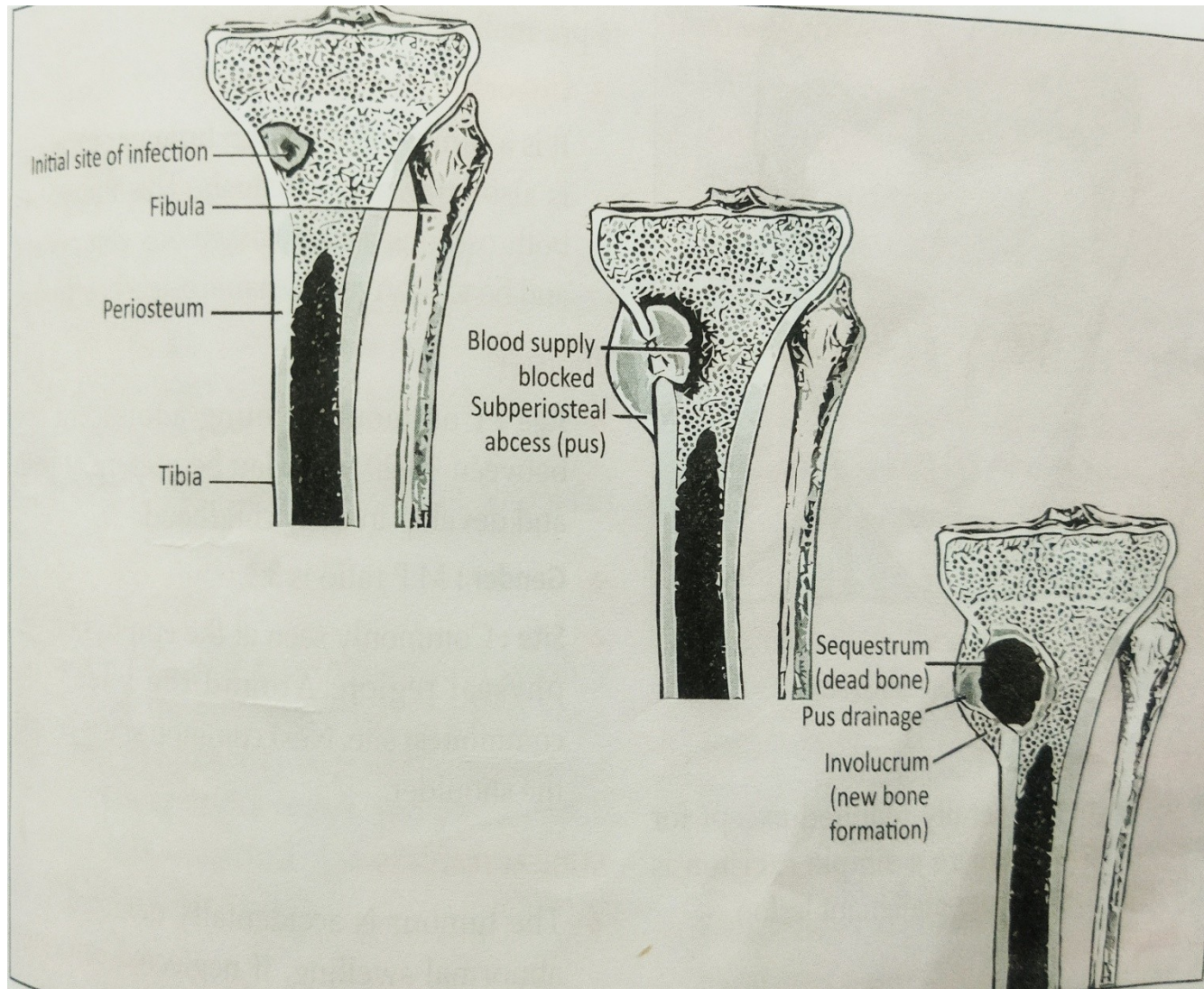


Continuous discharge of pus results in the formation of a sinus.

Sinus tract gets fibrosed and the sinus fixed to the bone.

**Cardinal features of chronic osteomyelitis:** three main features

1. **Sequestrum**- it is a piece of dead bone.
2. **Involucrum** – it is the dense sclerotic bone overlying a sequestrum.
3. **Cloaca**- there may be some holes in the involucrum for pus to drain out.





## Clinical features-

- ❖ A chronic discharging sinus is the commonest presenting symptoms.
- ❖ Thickened, irregular bone.
- ❖ Tenderness on deep palpation.
- ❖ Generalized symptoms like fever, malaise etc.

## Investigation-

- ❖ Same as acute Osteomyelitis.
- ❖ In X-ray- sequestrum, involucrum and cloaca.

## Treatment-

- ❖ Proper debridement and drainage of wound.
- ❖ **Sequestrectomy**- excision of unhealthy dead piece of bone.
- ❖ **Amputation**- rarely requires, if chronic sinus undergoes in malignant changes.

## According to ayurveda-

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अथास्य कर्मणा व्याधिद्वारं तु लभते यदा ।

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## Bone Tumours

1. Benign 2. Malignant

### 1. Benign Tumours

#### I- Osteoma-

- ❖ Composed of sclerotic, well –formed bone.
- ❖ Most often are the skull and facial bones.
- ❖ It produce visible swelling.
- ❖ Sometimes it may bulge into one of the air sinuses (frontal ethmoidal etc) and cause obstruction to the sinus cavity, leading to pain.

#### Treatment-

- ❖ No treatment is generally except for cosmetic region.
- ❖ Simple excision.



## II. Osteiod osteoma-

- ❖ It is true benign tumour of the bone.
- ❖ It consists of a nidus of partially mineralized osteoid trabeculae surrounded by dense sclerotic bone.

### Clinical features-

- ❖ Seen commonly between the age of 5-25 years.
- ❖ The bones of the lower extremity are commonly effected(Tibia).
- ❖ Presenting complaint is an irritating pain, worst at night and relieved by salicylates(Aspirin).

### Examination-

- ❖ Superficial palpable swelling.

### Investigation-

- ❖ X-ray, CT, MRI, Bone Scan.

### Treatment-

- ❖ Complete excision of the nidus along with sclerotic bone.

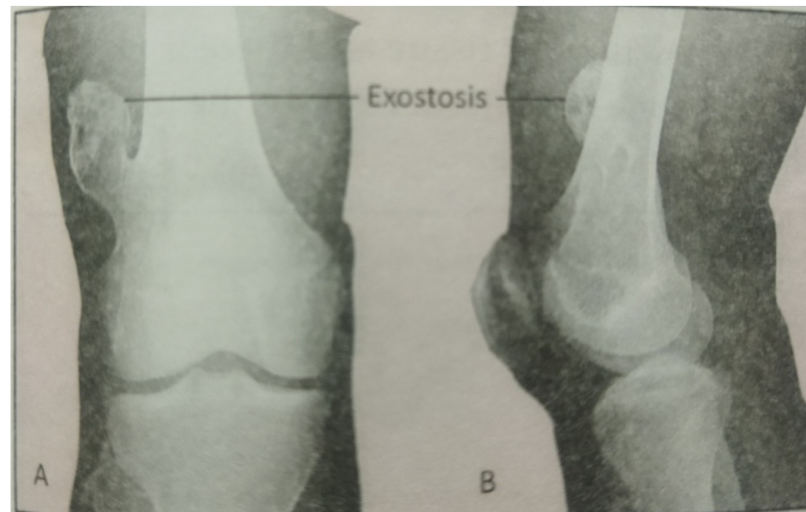


### III. Osteochondroma (Exostosis)-

- ❖ It is commonest benign tumour of bone.
- ❖ Osseous and cartilaginous both are component of this tumour.

#### Aetiology-

- ❖ Age- common is adolescent age between 10-20 years.
- ❖ Gender-
- ❖ M:F Ratio- is 3:1
- ❖ Sites around knee is the commonest site, next common site is around the shoulder.



## **Clinical features-**

- ❖ It is accidentally detected as an abnormal swelling.
- ❖ If neglected pressure symptoms on neighbouring structure like muscle, vessels and nerves.
- ❖ It can also mechanical obstruction of joint movement.

**Investigation-** X-ray

**Treatment-** Complete excision.

## **2. Malignant Tumours-**

### **I- Giant cell Tumour (GCT)-**

- ❖ It is locally malignant tumour of the bone.
- ❖ Local recurrence is more common(=50%).
- ❖ 5% accounts of bone tumours.

#### **Aetiology-**

- ❖ Age- 20-40 years.
- ❖ Sites- Epiphyseal end of long bone (Upper end of tibia, lower end of humours, lower end of radius etc.)
- ❖ Gender- A little higher to females.

#### **Clinical features-**

- ❖ It is present slow growing, painful swelling.
- ❖ Egg shell crackling may be present on palpation.
- ❖ Limitation of joint movement is late features.
- ❖ Mainly arising the epiphyseal end of a long bone.

#### **Investigation-**

X-ray: show classical lytic lesion (Soap bubble appearance).

**Treatment-** complete excision.



## **II- Osteosarcoma-**

- ❖ This is a highly malignant intra-medullary bone tumour
- ❖ Highly mortality rate.

### **Clinical features-**

- ❖ Pain is the earliest presenting features.
- ❖ Gradually limitation of joint movement.
- ❖ Pathological fracture is occurs.
- ❖ Metastasis- lungs is the commonest site.

### **Investigation-**

- ❖ X-ray- show in typical case, sun ray or Sun burst appearance.
- ❖ Bone scan, CT, MRI.

### **Treatment-**

- ❖ Limb salvage should always be attempted when possible but one should not hesitate to recommend amputation when needed.
- ❖ Radiotherapy
- ❖ Chemotherapy

### III- Multiple myeloma-

- ❖ It is a tumour arising from neoplastic proliferation of plasma cells or myeloma.
- ❖ Normal plasma cells are found in the bone marrow.

#### Pathology-

- ❖ Affects flat bones i.e., the pelvis, vertebrae, skulls and ribs.
- ❖ It may occur as a solitary lesion, multiple lesions etc.
- ❖ The bone is simply replaced by tumour tissue and there is no reactive new bone formation.

#### Clinical features-

- ❖ The tumour affects adults above 40 years.
- ❖ Men are more affected than women.
- ❖ Presentation is that of multiple site involvement.
- ❖ Complaint is increasingly severe pain in the lumbar and thoracic spine.
- ❖ Loss of weight.
- ❖ Neurological symptoms due to pressure on the spinal cord or the nerve.
- ❖ Locally tenderness or swelling over the affected bone.

## **Investigation-**

- ❖ X-ray- Multiple punched out lesions in the flat bone.
- ❖ Blood- Hb%- Low, ESR high, Increase protein A/G ratio etc.
- ❖ Urine- Bence Jones proteins are found.
- ❖ Sternal Puncture- Myeloma cells may be seen.
- ❖ Bone scan, CT.

## **Treatment-**

Excision

Radiotherapy

Chemotherapy.

#### iv- Ewing's sarcoma-

- ❖ This is a malignant small, round, blue cell tumour.
- ❖ Genetic factor is responsible for a large percentage.
- ❖ More common in male, usually present in childhood (10 to 20 year age).
- ❖ Most common site- pelvis and proximal long tubular bone.
- ❖ Patients usually experience extreme bone pain.

#### Sign and symptoms-

- ❖ Fever, anaemia, ESR increased etc.
- ❖ On radiography lamellated or Onion skin type lytic lesions with periosteal reaction.

#### Treatment-

- ❖ Chemotherapy
- ❖ Radiotherapy
- ❖ Excision

## **Metastatic Bone tumours-**

- ❖ Secondary tumours in the bone happen when cancer cells spread to the bone from a primary tumour somewhere else in the body.
- ❖ Secondary cancer in the bone are sometimes called bone secondary.
- ❖ Cancer spread to bone- breast cancer, thyroid cancer, prostate cancer, kidney cancer, lungs cancer etc.

## **Simple Bone Cyst-**

- ❖ It is benign cystic lesion filled with fluid seen in children.

### **Incidence-**

- ❖ Age- 5-15 years.
- ❖ Gender- M:F ratio is 2:1
- ❖ Sites- proximal humerus and proximal femure etc.

### **Clinical presentation-**

- ❖ Always detected accidentally except in cases with pathological fracture when patient present with pain.

### **Investigation-**

- ❖ X-ray- shows an osteolytic lesions.

### **Treatment-**

- ❖ As spontaneous resolution is seen.
- ❖ Treatment is necessary only if no resorption is observed.
- ❖ Steroids prednisolone is injected into the cyst.
- ❖ Total excision and bone grafting done, if conservative management not respond.