



# MICROBIOLOGY

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	Uncomplicated (simple) Cystitis	Complicated cystitis
Definition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In healthy adult women (sexually active - Over 12y/o) Non-Pregnant women or in cases without triad of complicated cystitis (fever, nausea and vomiting, flank pain)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Females with co-morbid medical conditions, All male patients, with catheters or in cases of urosepsis/hospitalization.</li> </ul>
Diagnosis (Px)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only dipstick Urinalysis (to look for WBCs or RBCs). No culture or lab tests.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Urinalysis, urine culture. Further lab tests are required.</li> </ul>
Treatment (tt)	Trimethoprim / Sulfamethaxazole for 3-7 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>fluoroquinolone (or other broad spectrum antibiotic) for 7-14 days (depending on severity)</li> <li>May treat even longer (2-4 weeks) in males with UTI.</li> </ul>

#### Important notes:-

1- 90% of UTI cases are caused by **E. coli**. • Catheter's associated UTI is caused by others such as **Proteus**. • Majority of cases are bacterial infections, some are fungal, but **no viral** (except in immunodeficient pts.)

2- two routes for infection :- 1-Hematogenous (uncommon) 2- Ascending route (most common)

3- Females are more prone for UTI due to many causes including:- small urethra, susceptibility of epithelium during sexual intercourse, and pregnancy.

4- Symptoms of lower UTI :- Dysuria, increased frequency and urgency, and Hematuria (although they may occur in upper UTI but in more sever form)

• Classical triad of Upper UTI :- fever, nausea/vomiting and Flank pain. • A patient with dysuria indicates urethritis (sexually transmitted disease)

5- Most common cause for cystitis, prostatitis and pyelonephritis is **E. coli** and **s. saprophyticus** and others.

• The most common cause of UTI associated with renal stones is:- **Proteus species**.

6- Supraoptic tenderness indicates Cystitis, Costovertebral angle → pyelonephritis.  
Urethral discharge → urethritis. , Tender prostate of P.R.E → prostatitis.

7- In cases of catheter's associated UTI → we have to remove the catheter then start tt with antibiotic.

# PYELONEPHRITIS

## Patho-physiology

- It is frequently secondary to urine backup into the ureters usually at the time of voiding.
- Obstruction of urinary tract may be another common cause.
- Almost always caused by *E.Coli*, which may lead to gram-negative sepsis and septic shock.

## Risk factors

- Like risk factors for any urinary tract infection, but most importantly is vesico-ureteral reflux (VUR) which is a major cause of Upper UTI in children.

## Clinical Manifestations

- "Triad" including:- chills, fever, vomiting, nausea, flank pain, leukocytosis and Bacteruria.
- The patient will come with pain at the costovertebral angle (between 12<sup>th</sup> rib and vertebral column).

## Diagnosis "Dx"

- CT scan with contrast, renal ultrasound, blood urea nitrogen and creatine in blood and urine to monitor kidney function.

## Treatment "tt"

- Goal of treatment is to eradicate bacteria from urine.
- mild cases → treat in outpatient basis for 14-21 days with follow up.
- If pyelonephritis → 2 weeks of Trimethoprim/sulfamethaxazole or Fluoroquinolone for 2 weeks, admission with IV antibiotic if unable to take oral drugs.

## Complications

- Perirenal / renal abscess (suspect in patients unresponsive/not improving with antibiotics).