



Giant cell tumor of the bone

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GIANT CELL TUMOUR



DEFINITION:

Distinct neoplasm arising from non-bone forming supportive connective tissue of marrow with network of stromal cells regularly interspersed with giant cells.

AGE OF PRESENTATION



- 75-80% OF PATIENTS 20-50 YRS
- 10% 15-20 YRS
- 10% >60 yrs
- <1.7% BELOW 15 YRS

SEX



Male : Female - 1 : 1.3 (Benign)

3 : 1 (Malignant)

SITE



- Epiphyseo-metaphyseal region of long bones
- GCT -Described from all bones EXCEPT middle ear bones
- Axial skeleton- 8%
- UL:LL-1:3

SITE



- 55% AROUND THE KNEE
- 10% in the distal radius
- 6% in the proximal humerus
- SPINE rarely involved (commoner in the sacrum)
- In the head and neck region the maxilla and mandible are more commonly involved

SIGNS & SYMPTOMS



1.PAIN

2.SWELLING

3.JOINT RESTRICTION

4.MUSCLE WASTING

5.NEUROLOGICAL SIGNS

6.PATHOLOGICAL SIGNS

Pathology

GROSS

- End of bone is expanded.
- Eccentric lesion at the epiphyseo-metaphyseal region.
- Thin periosteum.
- Fleshy dark brown, soft, friable mass.
- Cystic spaces seen.

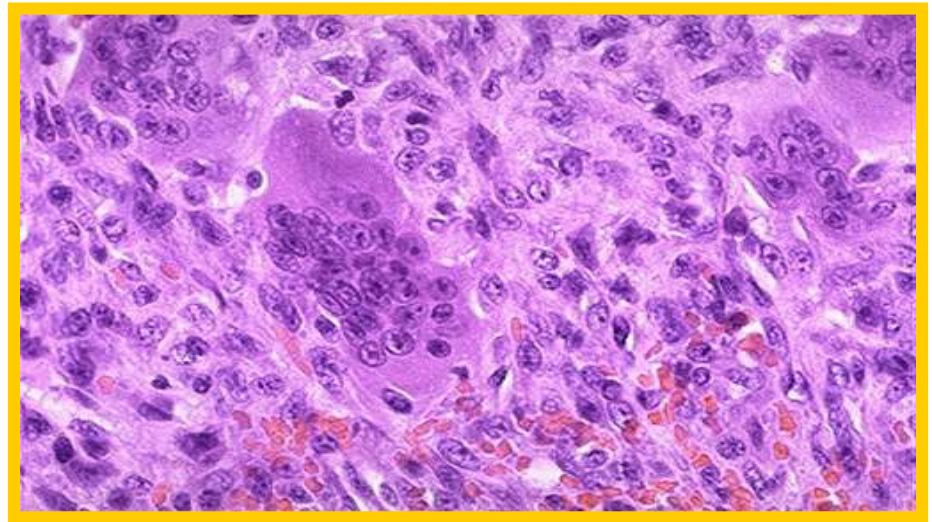
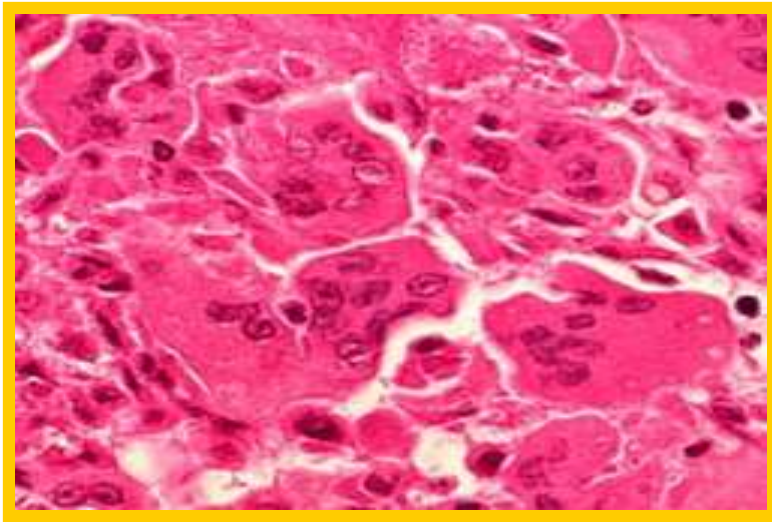


Pathology



Microscopy-

Vascularized network of round, oval or spindle shaped stromal cells and multinucleated giant cells with numerous centrally placed nuclei



Enneking staging for GCT



Stage 1-(10-15%)

- Patients asymptomatic
- Discovered incidentally
- May cause pathological fracture
- Has sclerotic rim on x-ray or CT
- Relatively inactive on bone scans
- Histologically benign

Enneking staging for GCT



Stage 2 - (70%)

- Symptomatic
- Often associated with path: fracture
- Has expanded cortex but no break through
- Is active on bone scans
- Histologically benign

Enneking staging for GCT



Stage 3-(10-15%)

- Symptomatic
- Rapidly growing mass
- Has cortical perforation with accompanying soft tissue mass
- Activity on bone scan extends beyond the lesion in x ray
- Shows intense hypervascularity on angiogram
- Histologically benign

RADIOLOGY

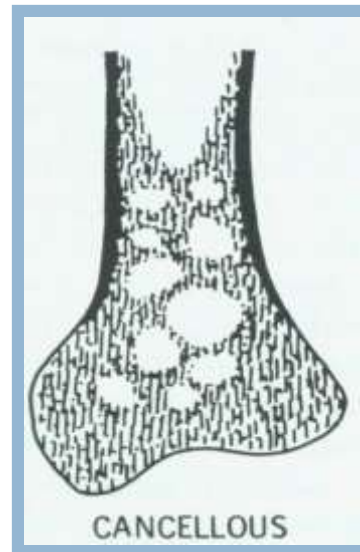
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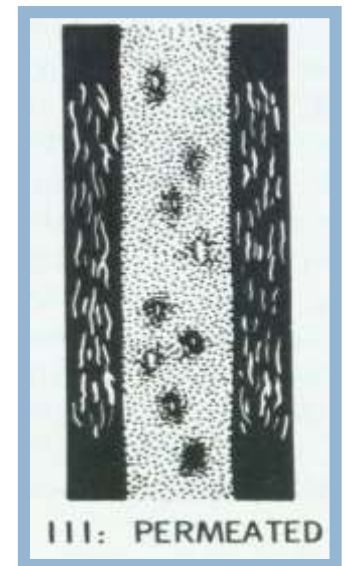
1. Geographic destruction



2. Moth-eaten



3. Permeative



RADIOLOGY



1. Expansile

2. Trabaculation



CORTEX DESTROYED



SHELL
'EXPANDED CORTEX'



LOBULATED SHELL



RIDGED SHELL
'TRABECULATED'
'SOAP BUBBLE'

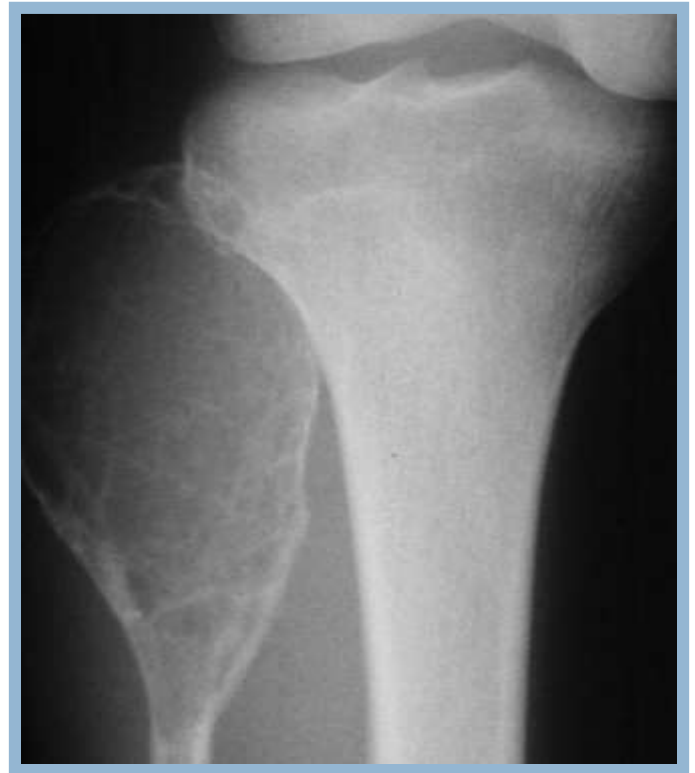
RADIOLOGY



PURE LYTIC (60%)



FINE TRABACULATION(40%)



DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS



1. ANEURYSMAL BONE CYST
2. GIANT CELL REPARATIVE GRANULOMA
3. CHONDROBLASTOMA
4. BROWN TUMOR
5. INTRA OSSEOUS GANGLION
6. BENIGN FIBROUS HISTIOCYTOMA

TREATMENT



1. Stage1 & Stage2 - Intra lesion or Marginal Excision

Stage3 - Wide resection with Reconstruction

Radiation, Embolisation

2. Curettage & Bone Grafting

3.Reconstruction with

Auto graft

Allograft

Arthrodesis

Custom made prosthesis