

RESEARCH ON NATURAL REMEDIES OF TUBERCULOSIS AND IDENTIFY NEW SYMPTOMS, TREATMENT REGIMENS, DIAGNOSTIC EVALUATION

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Abstract

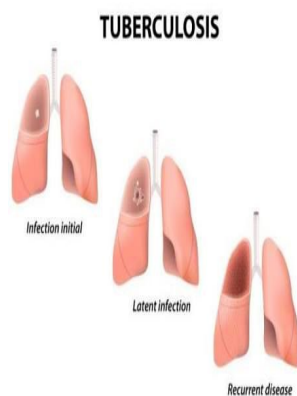
Tuberculosis is caused by the Mycobacterium tuberculosis is an infection deadly disease and the treatment of which is one of the most important severe challenges at the global level currently more than a 20 chemicals medications are described for the treatment of tuberculosis. Regardless of availability of several drugs to treat TB. The cause agent Mycobacterium tuberculosis is now a days getting resistant towards the convenient drugs and leading to condition known as the multi drugs resistant tuberculosis. Medicinal plants have been used to cure different common as well as lethal diseases by ancient civilization due to the virtue of the variety of chemical compounds which may have some important remedies properties. The aim of the present research is to focus the anti tubercular medicinal plants native to india as well as plants.

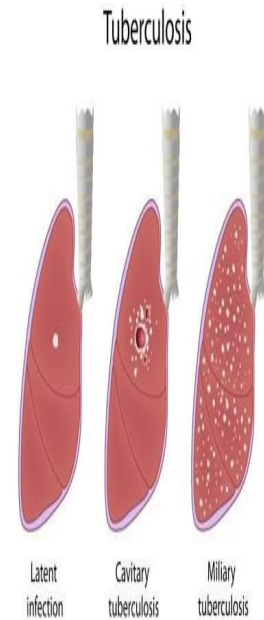
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INTRODUCTION

Tuberculosis is a disease caused by tiny germs that enter your lungs when you breathe them in; It is called “TB” for short TB germs are most commonly found in the lungs, but sometimes they can move to other parts of the body When you have TB disease of the lungs, you can spread it to other people Tuberculosis is a disease caused by tiny germs that enter your lungs when you breathe them in TB germs are most commonly found in the lungs, but sometimes they can move to other parts of the body When you have TB disease of the lungs, you can spread it to other people





HOW ARE THE TB GERMS SPREAD ?

TB germs are passed through the air when a person who is sick with TB disease coughs, sings, sneezes, or laughs. To become infected with TB germs, a person usually needs to share air space with someone sick with TB disease (e.g., live, work, or play together). The amount of time, the environment, and how sick the person is all contribute to whether or not you get infected. In most cases, your body is able to fight off the germs.

“Tuberculosis is defined as an infectious disease caused by a bacterium; that most commonly affects the lungs.” It can also be a crippling and deadly disease, and is on the rise in both developed and developing worlds. Globally, it is the leading cause of deaths resulting from a single infectious disease. Currently, it kills “three million people” a year and could claim up to 30 million lives if not controlled. Naturally ventilated, windows closed - 97% Mechanically ventilated with neg pressure (ACH 12) - 39% Naturally ventilation, windows and doors fully open: Modern (1970-1990) - 33% Old-fashioned (pre-1950) - 11%

PERSONAL RESPIRATORY PROTECTION

Respirators: Can protect HCWs. Should be encouraged in high-risk settings. May be unavailable in low-resource settings. Face/surgical masks: Act as a barrier to prevent infectious patients from expelling droplets. Do not protect against inhalation of microscopic TB particles. Aristotle was the first to say that tuberculosis is an airborne disease able to be passed from one person to another. Although his theory was correct, scientists continued to search for different causes and treatment of TB. In 1865 Jean Antoine Villemin, put out the idea that TB was genetically inherited. This gave a sound piece of mind for all, until 1882 when Robert Koch proved her wrong by discovering a round shaped bacterium that was the cause of the disease. This excited the scientific world as it brought the possibility to “cure humanity's deadliest enemy.”

NATURAL REMEDIES OF TUBERCULOSIS

Withania somnifera - solanacea family mainly used fresh leaves roots

Datura metal - solenacea family and mainly used leaf

Allium sativum - bulb

Pipernigurum - piperacea - seeds

Citrus essential oils

Alovera - alocea - pure gel

If you test positive for talent TB infection. Your doctor my advice you to take medications to reduce your risk of developing active tuberculosis

Protect your family and friends, stay home ventilate the room, cover your mouth wear mask, vaccination

Apricot seed

Dalchini

Apricot americana

Armenian plum

Ashwagandha is a plant the root and berry are used to make medicine

Aroda, avarda, Indian ginseng, winter cherry , withenia sominifera

Bitter almond - familiar type of nut it can be used sweet or bitter

Amanda, Amara, bitter mendel foxglove

Guava,

Lady fern is a plant the root and root like stem are used to make medicine

Pine - mainly used sprouts, needles and bark to make medicines

Raddish - root is used as food and as medicine

Tolu balsm - sap like substances that comes from the myroxylon balsam tree

White mustard - it is an herb the seeds are used to make medicine





Basil Leaves For Tuberculosis



Celery For Tuberculosis



EPIDEMIOLOGY

Estimated that 1/3 of the world population is infected
 Estimated that 10,000,000 in this country are infected
 In the US 16,377 cases were reported in 2000, 12,904 cases were reported in 2008, 11,545 cases were reported in 2009 (119 cases in IN), and 11,182 (90 in IN) cases were reported in 2010 (provisional) and 9000 cases were reported in 2015 and 2016. In this country most cases occur in the those infected with HIV, the urban poor, alcoholics, iv drug users, the homeless, migrant farm workers, immigrants, and prison inmates
 Disease in the elderly usually represents reactivation of a previous infection
 Disease in children often represents active transmission within the community or family (they get it from someone else!)

TB Infection vs. TB Disease

There is a difference between TB “infection” and TB “disease”
 TB infection: TB germs stay in your lungs, but they do not multiply or make you sick
 You cannot pass TB germs to others
 TB disease: TB germs stay in your lungs or move to other parts of your body, multiply, and make you sick
 You can pass the TB germs to other people

Treatment for TB Infection

TB infection is treated with medicine, usually for 4-9 months. If TB infection is not treated, it can turn into TB disease. It is important to take all your medicine, even though you don't feel sick.

ETIOLOGY

M. Tuberculosis is a rod shaped, non spore forming, thin aerobic bacterium. Obligate aerobe and a very slow grower (growth on solid culture takes 3-8 weeks). Typically neutral on gram's staining, however, once stained, the bacilli cannot be decolorized by acid alcohol. Acid fastness is due to organism's high content of mycolic acid, long-chain cross linking fatty acids, and other lipids. Lipoarabinomannan, cord factor, and arabinogalactan are proinflammatory, cytotoxic, inhibit chemotaxis, and inhibit the fusion of lysosomes with phagosomes. Facultative intracellular pathogen which grows in unactivated macrophages and type II pneumocytes. Pathology is determined by the amount of antigen (number of bugs) and the extent of the individual's hypersensitive reaction to the antigen. Two major forms of infections occur: primary TB (pulmonary TB) and secondary (latent reactivation) TB. Localized, progressive, and disseminated disease may occur in both forms.

- **Protect your family and friends**
If you have active TB, keep your germs to yourself. It generally takes a few weeks of treatment with TB medications before you're not contagious anymore. Follow these tips to help keep your friends and family from getting sick:
- **Stay home.** Don't go to work or school or sleep in a room with other people during the first few weeks of treatment for active tuberculosis.
- **Ventilate the room.** Tuberculosis germs spread more easily in small closed spaces where air doesn't move. If it's not too cold outdoors, open the windows and use a fan to blow indoor air outside.



HOW ARE TB GERMS NOT SPREAD?

Through quick, casual contact, like passing someone on the street. By sharing utensils or food. By sharing cigarettes or drinking containers. By exchanging saliva or other body fluids. By shaking hands. Using public telephones. Through quick, casual contact, like passing someone on the street. By sharing utensils or food. By sharing cigarettes or drinking containers. By exchanging saliva or other body fluids. By shaking hands. Using public telephones. Through quick, casual contact, like passing someone on the street. By sharing utensils or food. By sharing cigarettes or drinking containers. By exchanging saliva or other body fluids. By shaking hands. Using public telephones. Through quick, casual contact, like passing someone on the street. By sharing utensils or food. By sharing cigarettes or drinking containers. By exchanging saliva or other body fluids. By shaking hands. Using public telephones. Through quick, casual contact, like passing someone on the street. By sharing utensils or food. By sharing cigarettes or drinking containers. By exchanging saliva or other body fluids. By shaking hands. Using public telephones.

WHAT IS MDR-TB ?

It is a mutated form of the TB microbe that is extremely resistant to at least the two most powerful anti-TB drugs - isoniazid and rifampicin. People infected with TB that is resistant to first-line TB drugs will confer this resistant form of TB to people they infect. MDR-TB is treatable but requires treatment for up to 2 years. MDR-TB is rapidly becoming a problem in Russia, Central Asia, China, and India.

ANTIBIOTIC MECHANISMS

Inhibition of mRNA translation and translational accuracy (Streptomycin and derivatives) RNA polymerase inhibition (rifampicin) – inhibition of transcript elongation Gyrase inhibition in DNA synthesis (fluoroquinolone)

**Antibiotic Mechanism II**

Inhibition of mycolic acid synthesis for cellular wall (isoniazid) Inhibition of arabinogalactan synthesis for cellular wall synthesis (ethambutol) Sterilization – by lowering pH (pyrazinamide)

1. Resistance Mechanisms of TB

TB inactivates drug by acetylation – effective on aminoglycoside antibiotics (streptomycin) Also, thru attenuation of catalase activity, in this way TB has developed resistance against certain drugs (isoniazid) TB microbe has accumulated mutations that resist antibiotic binding (rifampicin and derivatives)

Reasons for Fear

Drug resistant strains of Mycobacterium tuberculosis have developed Underdeveloped countries are the most affected by TB 95% of reported cases come from underdeveloped countries High HIV rates in those areas contribute to the contraction of TB The caseous centers of the tubercles liquefy. This liquid is very crucial for the growth of TB, and therefore it multiplies rapidly (extracellularly). This later becomes a large antigen load, causing the walls of nearby bronchi to become necrotic and rupture. This results in cavity formation and allows TB to spread rapidly into other airways and to other parts of the lung.

2. Virulent Mechanisms of TB

TB mechanism for cell entry The tubercle bacillus can bind directly to mannose receptors on macrophages via the cell wall-associated mannosylated glycolipid (LAM) TB can grow intracellularly Effective means of evading the immune system Once TB is phagocytosed, it can inhibit phagosome-lysosome fusion TB can remain in the phagosome or escape from the phagosome (Either case is a protected environment for growth in macrophages)

STATISTICS

#1 on the list of lethal infectious diseases 2 million deaths worldwide annually Every year 8 million cases reported annually Death rate after contracting the disease, if untreated, is the same as flipping a coin

History

TB has been known as Pthisis, King's Evil, Pott's disease, consumption, and the White Plague. Egyptian mummies from 3500 BCE have the presence of Mycobacterium tuberculosis



Pineapple To Control Tuberculosis

1. Disease progression- Stage 1

Stage 1 Droplet nuclei are inhaled, and are generated by talking, coughing and sneezing. Once nuclei are inhaled, the bacteria are non-specifically taken up by alveolar macrophages. The macrophages will not be activated, therefore unable to destroy the intracellular organism. The large droplet nuclei reaches upper respiratory tract, and the small droplet nuclei reaches air sacs of the lung (alveoli) where infection begins. Disease onset when droplet nuclei reaches the alveoli.

2. Disease Progression- Stage 2

Begins after 7-21 days after initial infection. TB multiplies within the inactivated macrophages until macrophages burst. Other macrophages diffuse from peripheral blood, phagocytose TB and are inactivated, rendering them unable to destroy TB.

3. Disease Progression- Stage 3

Lymphocytes, specifically T-cells recognize TB antigen. This results in T-cell activation and the release of Cytokines, including interferon (IFN). The release of IFN causes the activation of macrophages, which can release lytic enzymes and reactive intermediates that facilitates immune pathology. Tubercle forms, which contains a semi-solid or "cheesy" consistency. TB cannot multiply within tubercles due to low PH and anoxic environment, but TB can persist within these tubercles for extended periods.

4. Disease Progression- Stage 4

Although many activated macrophages surround the tubercles, many other macrophages are inactivated or poorly activated. TB uses these macrophages to replicate causing the tubercle to grow. The growing tubercle may invade a bronchus, causing an infection which may spread to other parts of the lungs. Tubercle may also invade artery or other blood supply. Spreading of TB may cause milliary tuberculosis, which can cause secondary lesions. Secondary lesions occur in bones, joints, lymph nodes, genitourinary system and peritoneum. Slow generation time Immune system cannot recognize TB, or cannot be triggered to eliminate TB High lipid concentration in cell wall accounts for impermeability and resistance to antimicrobial agents Accounts for resistance to killing by acidic and alkaline

compounds in both the intracellular and extracellular environment Also accounts for resistance to osmotic lysis via complement deposition and attack by lysozyme

Virulent Factors of TB

Antigen 85 complex It is composed of proteins secreted by TB that can bind to fibronectin. These proteins can aid in walling off the bacteria from the immune system Cord factor Associated with virulent strains of TB Toxic to mammalian cells



PATHOGENESIS

Pathogenesis of tuberculosis Infection versus disease Host factors Pathogen factors

Host factors include Social e.g. Poverty alcoholism Age e.g. Baby Teenage girl Old age Immunity e.g. HIV Gamma interferon SCID

Organism factors e.g. Virulence factors [Drug resistance]

MTB into lungs (or to cervical nodes or abdo. nodes) Replication of organisms Primary complex (lung and mediastinal lymph nodes) Mycobacteraemia with potential for 'seeding' Consequence of tuberculous infection Symptomatic illness – disease (minority) immunological control (majority) with Ghon focus on Xray. Infection is 'contained' by granuloma but not eliminated. Tuberculous disease is a consequence of: Primary infection e.g. in baby Reactivation 'natural' Associated with immunosuppression Re infection

WHAT ARE THE TYPES

Mycobacterium which is carried by humans. Mycobacterium T.B. can present itself in the human body in different forms effecting any where from "the intestines, bones, joints, skin, and the genitourinary, lymphatic, and nervous systems."

1. Avian Tuberculosis

transmitted by ingestion and inhalation of aerosolized infectious organisms from feces. Oral ingestion of food and water contaminated with feces is the most common method of infection. Once ingested, the organism spreads throughout the bird's body and is shed in large numbers in the feces. If the bacterium is inhaled, pulmonary lesions and skin invasions may occur transmission of avian TB is from bird to human not from human to human.

2. Millitary tuberculosis

Uncontrolled haematogenous dissemination
Progressive primary or reactivation
Requires impaired immunity thus 50% in infants, elderly and HIV+
Clinical course variable; fuminant to subacute
Non specific presentation; failure to thrive, aesthenia, night sweats, pyrexia, ARDS
Difficult to diagnose, 20% post mortem
Hepatomegaly, ascites, deranged liver function
Meningeal disease in 15 – 20%

3. Bovine Tuberculosis

people contract Bovine TB today, by eating food that has been contaminated by the bacteria or from drinking unpasteurized milk from cows that are infected with the virus. Bovine TB is most likely going to effect the joints and bones.

TB Prevention & Control in the Community: MO Role

Begin TB treatment as soon as possible
Screen other people in the household
Ensure that TB patients complete treatment
Minimise crowding in congregate settings.

4. Primary tuberculosis

Primary complex + lesion + draining gland
usually asymptomatic
Skin test conversion- Post primary pulmonary tuberculosis
Local spread – Pneumonia
Haematogenous spread – Millitary
Spread to bones and joints
Spread to kidneys
Reactivation
Exogenous re-infection



IDENTIFY NEW SYMPTOMS OF TB DISEASE

Cough (2-3 weeks or more)
Coughing up blood
Chest pains
Fever
Night sweats
Feeling weak and tired
Losing weight without trying
Decreased or no appetite
If you have TB outside the lungs, you may have other symptoms

TREATMENT FOR TB DISEASE

TB disease is treated with medicine to kill the TB germs
Usually, the treatment will last for 6-9 months
TB disease can be cured if the medicine is taken as prescribed, even after you no longer feel sick
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The primary stage of the disease may be symptom-free, or the individual may experience a flu-like illness. This is called the “inactive stage.” Within the active stage of the disease, there might be a slight fever, night sweats, weight loss, fatigue. The symptoms may vary depending on what type of tuberculosis you contract. Primary TB Most individuals (~75%) are asymptomatic or have flu-like symptoms along with fever and chest pain. Around 3 weeks after infection, they become PPD+ (skin test, see “Diagnosis”) For most, the lesions eventually heal with fibrosis and calcification. Dormant lesions that still contain bugs may reactivate to yield secondary TB.

Progressive Primary TB Some individuals (5-15%) don't contain the primary infection and develop a progressive disease that resembles a necrotizing bacterial pneumonia. This presents with fever, productive cough, and chest pain. Coughing aerosolizes secretions and distributes them throughout the lung. There are expanding areas of caseating necrosis with irregular cavity formation along with erosion of blood vessels resulting in hemoptysis. Lesions will usually heal by fibrosis with adequate treatment. Secondary TB Pattern of disease that arises in a previously infected and sensitized patient. The lesions typically localize to the apex of the upper lobes. There is rapid tissue response (Th1) because of previous sensitization. Cavitary formation is very likely. Symptoms include low grade fever, night sweats, and weight loss. Without therapy, miliary TB may develop. Miliary TB This refers to the uncontrolled hematogenous dissemination of *M. tuberculosis*. Infection may involve any organ and the course is usually rapid when it occurs with primary or secondary progressive disease. Multiorgan failure, septic shock, and respiratory distress, followed by death, may occur. Chest Pulmonary Pleural Mediastinal nodes pericardium Extra pulmonary skin and soft tissues (including lymph nodes) Bone Abdominal Intra cranial other. usually ‘chronic’ rather than acute. Fever Sweats Weight loss Focal symptoms. Chest Sputum – if productive. Induced sputum Bronchoscopic alveolar lavage (BAL) Pleural biopsy Pleural fluid Other. E.g. Lymph node, aspiration of abscess, mesenteric biopsy, stool, bone marrow etc. What about EMSU? - should be done selectively where it is likely to be helpful. Cough (2-3 weeks or more) Coughing up blood Chest pains Fever Night sweats Feeling weak and tired Losing weight without trying Decreased or no appetite If you have TB outside the lungs, you may have other symptoms

DIAGNOSIS

Ziehl Neelsen (acid fast) or Auramine stain. Others Lowenstein Jensen culture Automated test - Radiometric culture C14 PCR and other nucleic acid amplification tests Nucleic acid probes for various Mycobacterial. TB is a notifiable disease Contact tracing- Who was the source? - Has the current patient been a source? - Outcomes- Not infected.....discharge- Seroconversion but no clinical diseasechemo-prophylaxis- Active disease.....treatment

Administering the TST

Use Mantoux tuberculin skin test 0.1 mL of 5-TU of purified protein derivative (PPD) solution injected intradermally Use a 27 gauge needle Produce a wheal that is 6-10mm in diameter

1. TB TEST - 1

Two types of tests can be used to see if a person has TB: A TB skin test A TB blood test A trained nurse will give you the TB test The TB test is simple and safe The TB test is mandatory, and will help us protect your health and the health of others

2. The TB Test - 2

A negative test most likely means have not been infected with TB germs A second TB test might be required in 8-10 weeks to ensure you have not been infected with TB germs A positive test means you have probably been infected with TB germs, but it does not mean you have TB disease Other tests (like a chest x-ray) will be needed to see if you have TB disease

When someone comes into contact with tuberculosis or feels as if they become infected by tuberculosis, they should call a doctor and order a skin test. The doctor will inject a small amount of tuberculin under the skin. If a person has been exposed to tuberculosis a swelling will develop around the spot where the skin test is given.

3. The TB Test - 3

If the health department finds that you have TB infection, you will be offered treatment to keep you from getting TB disease. Treatment for TB infection is voluntary, but taking it will help protect your health. Your name and the results of your TB test will be kept confidential. If the health department finds that you have TB infection, you will be offered treatment to keep you from getting TB disease. Treatment for TB infection is voluntary, but taking it will help protect your health. Your name and the results of your TB test will be kept confidential. If the health department finds that you have TB infection, you will be offered treatment to keep you from getting TB disease. Treatment for TB infection is voluntary, but taking it will help protect your health. Your name and the results of your TB test will be kept confidential. Tuberculin test (intradermal PPD) X-ray Sputum acid fast stain Culture rRNA or DNA in sputum by nucleic acid amplification (results in 2-7 hours, but does NOT replace culture) Tuberculin skin test Induration measured after 48-72 hours Induration >5mm is considered positive for recent TB contacts or immunosuppressed Induration >10mm is positive for arrivals from high-prevalence countries, IV drug users, lab personnel, residents and employees in high-risk settings (e.g. health care facilities, jails) Induration >15mm is positive for persons with no risks. Hypertonic saline nebuliser in negative pressure room with HEPA filter and well trained physiotherapist Study of 27 confirmed positive patients 13 +ve induced sputum only 1 +ve bronchoscopy only 13 +ve induced sputum and brocospasm. Criteria for procedure Past history TB or contact with TB in last year Respiratory symptoms of one or more of: Non-productive cough Fever, Night sweats, weight loss Haemoptysis 14 procedures, 12 positive for TB Cohort followed up for 12 months, no cases missed.

TREATMENT

If your T.B skin test comes back positive your doctor will take one of several treatments to treat you. Your doctor may prescribe a medicine called isoniazid to prevent the tuberculosis infection from developing into the active disease and making you feel sick. If you contract TB of the abdominal or of the extra-pulmonary you may have the choice of a mainstay therapy that takes a course of 9-12 months in order to complete. Surgery is generally reserved for patients with obstruction of vital organs. No treatment at all since most people develop an immune response and warts go away by themselves. If your warts don't disappear, or if uncomfortable, first-choice remedy should be over-the-counter medication in liquid, gel, pad or ointment form. If over-the-counter treatment fails, your doctor can remove a wart by: "freezing it with liquid nitrogen, burning it off with electricity or a laser, excising it (a minor surgical procedure), dissolving it by wrapping it in a plaster patch impregnated with salicylic acid." The identification and diagnosis of persons who may have come into contact with an infected person An important element to infection prevention and control. Identify and evaluate contacts of persons with smear positive pulmonary TB within 3 days of new case discovery All close contacts should be evaluated Particular attention give to children under 5 If index case is a child, source of disease will be a person with PTB If source unknown, ask household contacts for symptoms and investigate any contact with symptoms of Public. Generally done by FWE or nurse Not necessary for smear-negative PTB or EPTB, unless index case is a child Contact examination form completed for each confirmed case's contacts Suspects should be entered into the "Suspect and Sputum Dispatch Register" and evaluate appropriately. Nurses can give INH to child contacts <5 who have been screened and are asymptomatic Treatment lasts 6 months, but a monthly supply is handed out Pyridoxine is not routinely indicated for children Nurses can give INH to child contacts <5 who have been screened and are asymptomatic Treatment lasts 6 months, but a monthly supply is handed out Pyridoxine is not routinely indicated for children Nurses can give INH to child contacts <5 who have been screened and are asymptomatic Treatment lasts 6 months, but a monthly supply is handed out Pyridoxine is not routinely indicated for children. There are currently 10 drugs used for active TB disease The first lines drugs are isoniazid, rifampin, ethambutol, pyrazinamide Preferred regimen is the aforementioned drugs for 8 weeks Afterward, maintenance therapy includes daily isoniazid and rifampin for 18

weeks IMPORTANT STEP 1 INFORMATION ABOUT TB DRUGS! Rifampin turns urine red, be sure to tell patient to expect it! Isoniazid can cause peripheral neuropathy, be sure to pretreat with B6



1. Take-home Message - 1

The health department will decide if you need to have a TB test
The TB test is mandatory, but is simple and safe
The health department will keep all information about you confidential
The purpose of giving you the TB test and offering you treatment is to protect your health and the health of others
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2. Take-home Message - 2

TB infection is not the same as TB disease
It is not easy to spread TB germs to others
Usually, you have to be around a person with TB disease for a period of time to become infected
If you have been infected with TB germs: Taking medicine will keep you from getting sick with TB disease
TB can be prevented, treated and cured. Include four 1st-line drugs in initial regimen: Isoniazid (INH), Rifampin (RIF), Pyrazinamide (PZA), Ethambutol (EMB)
Adjust regimen when drug susceptibility results become available or if patient has difficulty with any of the medications
Never add a single drug to a failing regimen
Promote adherence and ensure treatment completion

DIRECTLY OBSERVED THERAPY

Health care worker watches patient swallow each dose of medication DOT is the best way to ensure adherence Should be used with all intermittent regimens Reduces relapse of TB disease and acquired drug resistance Health care worker watches patient swallow each dose of medication DOT is the best way to ensure adherence Should be used with all intermittent regimens Reduces relapse of TB disease and acquired drug resistance Health care worker watches patient swallow each dose of medication DOT is the best way to ensure adherence Should be used with all intermittent regimens Reduces relapse of TB disease and acquired drug resistance. Most TB is curable, but... Four or more drugs required for the simplest regimen 6-9 or more months of treatment required Person must be isolated until non-infectious Directly observed therapy to assure adherence/completion recommended Side effects and toxicity common May prolong treatment May prolong infectiousness Other medical and psychosocial conditions complicate therapy TB may be more severe Drug-drug interactions common

Core activities Identification and treatment of TB cases Identification, evaluation and treatment of high risk close contacts of cases Surveillance/case reporting TB laboratory services Targeted testing and LTBI treatment for high risk populations Training/continuing education for health care providers Program evaluation. BTS guidelines – 1999 Thorax 2000: 55; 210-218 NICE guidelines – 2006 Sensitive TB – 4 drugs for 2 months 2 drugs for 4 months Resistant TB - 6 drugs for 24 months (second line drugs are not so effective) [Eng, Wales & NI 2004, 6.8% Isoniazid resistant, 1% MDR TB (R to Isoniazid and rifampicin)]

PATIENT COMPLIANCE

Treatment will not work if not taken DOTS (Directly Observed Therapy) if: Likely poor compliance MDR TB

Patient non compliance Deliberate Failure to understand e.g. language, culture Social e.g. alcohol Patient movement e.g. 'lost to follow up' Lack of medical/nursing support others.

- Respiratory TB 2 months Rifampicin, Isoniazid, Pyrazinamide, Ethambutol 4 months Rifampicin, Isoniazid, Pyridoxine - Now given as combination drugs Rifater Rifinah - Sensitivity patterns important. - No increased risk of TB - Women with TB should be advised against becoming pregnant until Rx completed - Low dose combined OCP is less effective (RMP enhances metabolism of oestrogen) - Rifampicin, Isoniazid, Pyrazinamide, Ethambutol – standard dose - Streptomycin (8th nerve) and Ethionamide - avoid.

PREVENTION OF THE DISEASE

At the end of this unit, participants will be able to:

Identify the goals of infection prevention

Identify 3 levels of prevention

Identify infection control strategies to prevent the transmission of TB in the healthcare setting

Explain the importance of contact tracing

Prevention efforts focus on the following three goals: Primary prevention – preventing TB infection Secondary prevention – preventing TB disease Tertiary prevention – preventing TB morbidity and mortality. Prevention efforts focus on the following three goals: Primary prevention – preventing TB infection Secondary prevention – preventing TB disease Tertiary prevention – preventing TB morbidity and mortality

Administrative controls Reduce risk of exposure, infection and disease thru policy and practice Environmental (engineering) controls Reduce concentration of infectious bacilli in air in areas where air contamination is likely Personal respiratory protection Protect personnel who must work in environments with contaminated air. Develop and implement written policies and protocols to ensure: Rapid identification of TB cases (e.g., improving the turn-around time for obtaining sputum results) Isolation of patients with PTB Rapid diagnostic evaluation Rapid initiation treatment Educate, train, and counsel HCWs about TB To the extent possible, avoid mixing TB patients and HIV patients in the hospital or clinic setting. Ventilation is the movement of air Should be done in a controlled manner Types Natural Local General Simple measures can be effective. Teach members of the community to: Recognize the early symptoms of TB Minimise crowded living conditions Allow natural light into buildings and rooms as ultra-violet rays quickly kill TB bacilli Open windows to air out rooms to dilute the load of infectious TB bacilli

Patient should maintain a well-balanced diet to keep the immune system strong Patient should TB patient to stop smoking and minimize intake of alcohol Patient should hold a cloth or handkerchief over mouth when coughing Patient should not spit on the floor but in a container (preferably disposable) and dispose of properly. Prisons and Police Holding Cells Screen all prisoners Treat & isolate Implement strict DOT during entire treatment Refer all released prisoners under treatment to nearest healthcare facility. Barracks Educate all personnel Screen all recruits Start treatment & organise workplace DOT Identify & screen all close contacts Advise TB patients to have an HIV test

Not Everyone Exposed Becomes Infected

Probability of transmission depends on: Infectiousness Type of environment Length of exposure 10% of infected persons will develop TB disease at some point in their lives 5% within 1-2 years 5% at some point in their lives

Persons at Risk for Developing TB Disease

Persons at high risk for developing TB disease fall into 2 categories Those who have been recently infected Those with clinical conditions that increase their risk of progressing from LTBI to TB disease

RECENT INFECTION AS A RISK FACTOR

Persons more likely to have been recently infected include Close contacts to persons with infectious TB Skin test converters (within past 2 years) Recent immigrants from TB-endemic areas (within 5 years of arrival to the U.S.) Children \leq 5 years with a positive TST Residents and employees of high-risk congregate settings (e.g. correctional facilities, homeless shelters, healthcare facilities)

INCREASES RISK FOR PROGRESSION TO TB DISEASE

Persons more likely to progress from LTBI to TB disease include HIV infected persons Those with history of prior, untreated TB Underweight or malnourished persons Injection drug use Those receiving TNF- α antagonists for treatment of rheumatoid arthritis or Crohn's disease Certain medical conditions

Latent TB Infection (LTBI)

Occurs when person breathes in bacteria and it reaches the air sacs (alveoli) of lung Immune system keeps bacilli contained and under control Person is not infectious and has no symptoms Patients should be considered infectious if they: Are undergoing cough-inducing procedures Have sputum smears positive for acid-fast bacilli (AFB) and: Are not receiving treatment Have just started treatment, or Have a poor clinical or bacterial response to treatment Have cavitory disease Extrapulmonary TB patients are not infectious

INFECTIOUSNESS-2

Patients are not considered infectious if they meet all these criteria: Received adequate treatment for 2-3 weeks
Favorable clinical response to treatment
3 consecutive negative sputum smears results from sputum collected on different days

TECHNIQUES TO DECREASE TB TRANSMISSION

Instruct patient to: Cover mouth when coughing or sneezing
Wear mask as instructed
Open windows to assure proper ventilation
Do not go to work or school until instructed by physician
Avoid public places
Limit visitors
Maintain home or hospital isolation as ordered

EVALUATION FOR TB

Medical history
Physical examination
Mantoux tuberculin skin test
Chest x-ray
Bacteriologic exam (smear and culture)

1. Chest x-Ray

Obtain chest x-ray for patients with positive TST results or with symptoms suggestive of TB
Abnormal chest x-ray, by itself, cannot confirm the diagnosis of TB but can be used in conjunction with other diagnostic indicators
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2. SPUTUM COLLECTION

Sputum specimens are essential to confirm TB
Specimens should be from lung secretions, not saliva
Collect 3 specimens on 3 different days
Spontaneous morning sputum more desirable than induced specimens
Collect sputum before treatment is initiated

3. Smear Examination

Strongly consider TB in patients with smears containing acid-fast bacilli (AFB)
Use subsequent smear examinations to assess patient's infectiousness and response to 4. treatment

Used to confirm diagnosis of TB
Culture all specimens, even if smear is negative
Initial drug isolate should be used to determine drug susceptibility

CONCLUSION

Tuberculosis concept of the public health care for the treatment of the disease which under the circumstances, ages and other controlled activities that are not common in developing countries and against which the fact was not only using the drug but it definitely proved by research works every patient is coming and taking drugs but if any one thinks only using natural remedies for tuberculosis plants, nutrients, minerals and fruits, exercise. It controlled and prevented

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