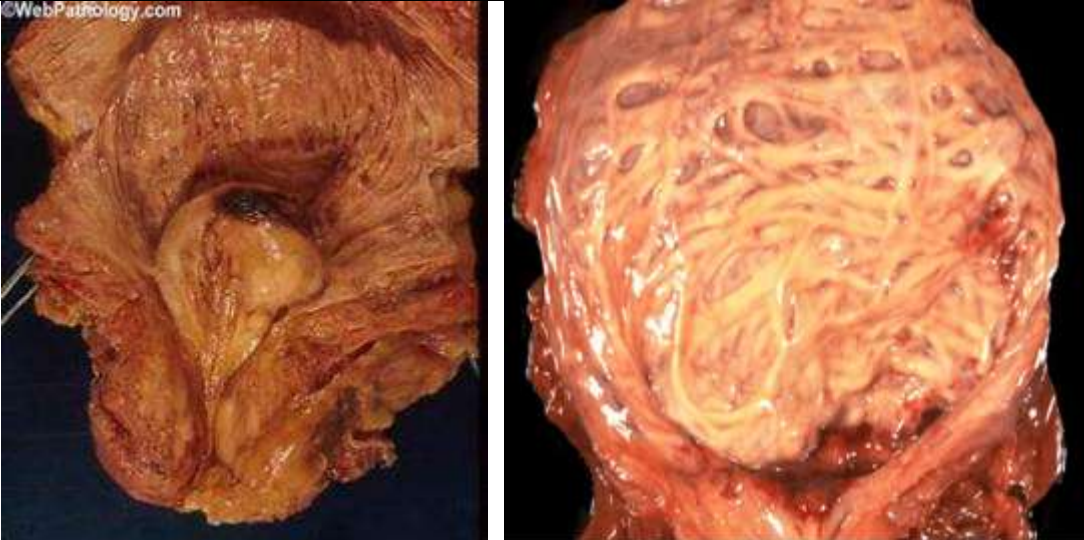
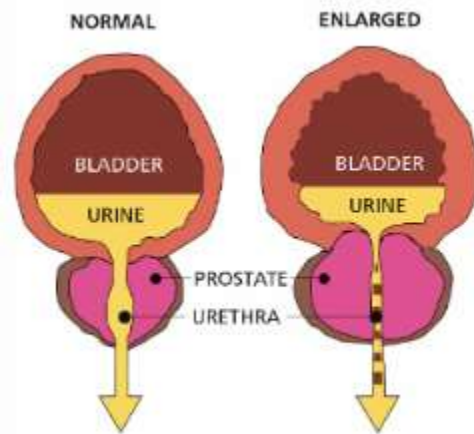


XX. Diseases of the Male Genital System

Nodular Hyperplasia of prostate IV- 7. 700	
Urinary bladder:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is enlarged • Hypertrophied (thick-walled) • Shows evidence of cystitis (acute and chronic) • Lined by prominent muscular bands (projecting into mucosa as ridges) • Shows scattered petechial haemorrhages
Prostate:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is moderately enlarged • Uniform (median) • One lobe is more affected • Fairly firm-elastic in consistence
The median lobe:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is protruding into the urinary bladder • Has obstructed the internal urethral orifice by elongation and distortion • Shows nodular external surface • Is nodular-like (on cut-section) • Embedded in a greyish framework • Round or ovoid • Solid in appearance (in general) • Irregular and sponge-like (in some parts) • Elastic cystic in other parts) • Pale yellowish-whitish in colour • On pressure, a turbid pale yellow fluid is emitted from the cut surface
Prostatic urethra:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is compressed antero-posteriorly
 <p>The left photograph shows the whole prostate specimen, which is enlarged and has a nodular surface. The right photograph shows a cross-section of the prostate gland, highlighting the nodular hyperplasia of the median lobe, which is protruding into the urinary bladder.</p>	



N.B.:

- In senile hyperplasia of the prostate, the enlargement may involve any part except the posterior lobe (to be differentiated from carcinoma).
- Two lateral lobes or/and a middle lobe are usually formed. –

Hypertrophy of lateral lobes:

1. Compresses the urethra.
2. The slit-like urethra herniates in bladder.

Hypertrophy of posterior commissure:

1. Produces an anatomical middle lobe.
2. Elevates the posterior vesical lip.

Hypertrophy of subcervical lobe:

1. Projecting mass in the lumen of the urethra, then through the internal sphincter.
2. Pedunculation.

Senile Hyperplasia (So-called benign prostatic hypertrophy)

Prostate:

- Is enlarged (moderately)
- Shows hypertrophy of the two lateral lobes
- Is diffusely nodular
- The enlargement is confined within the capsule
- No gross evidence of malignancy

N.B.1:

Effects of senile enlargement of the prostate on :

I. Prostatic urethra:

1. Distortion.
2. Elongation.
3. Compression or/and tortuosity.
4. Obstruction

II. Urinary bladder:

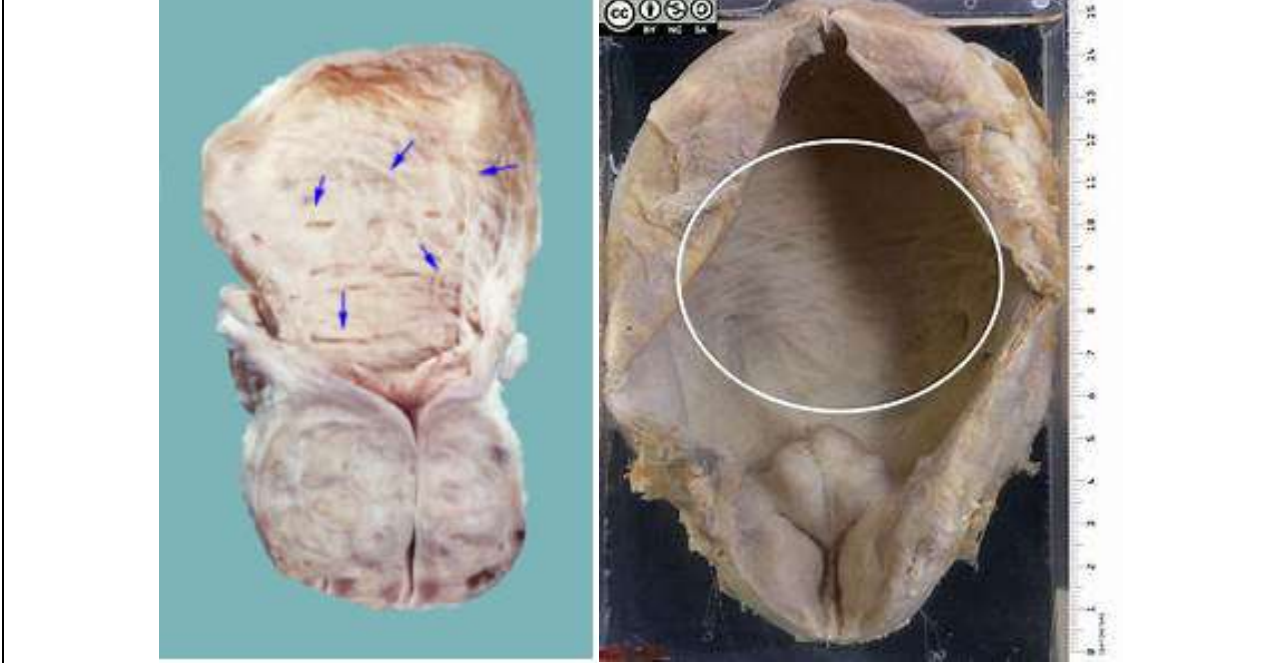
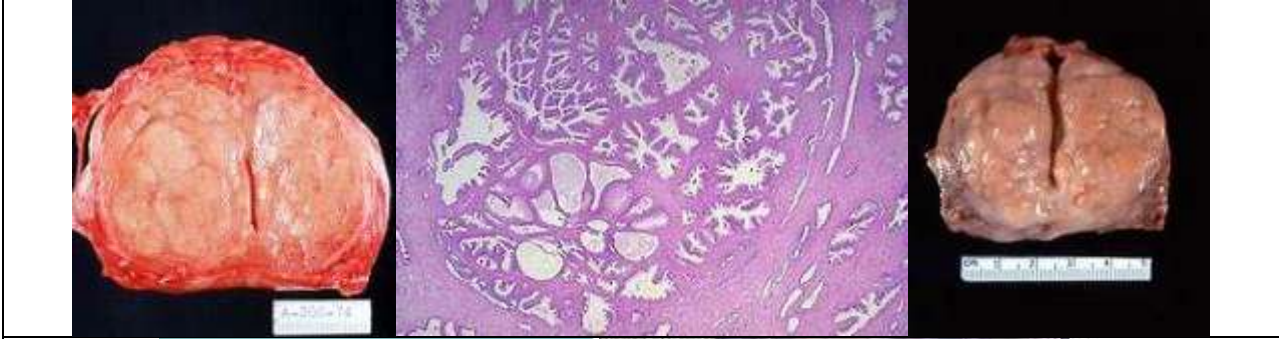
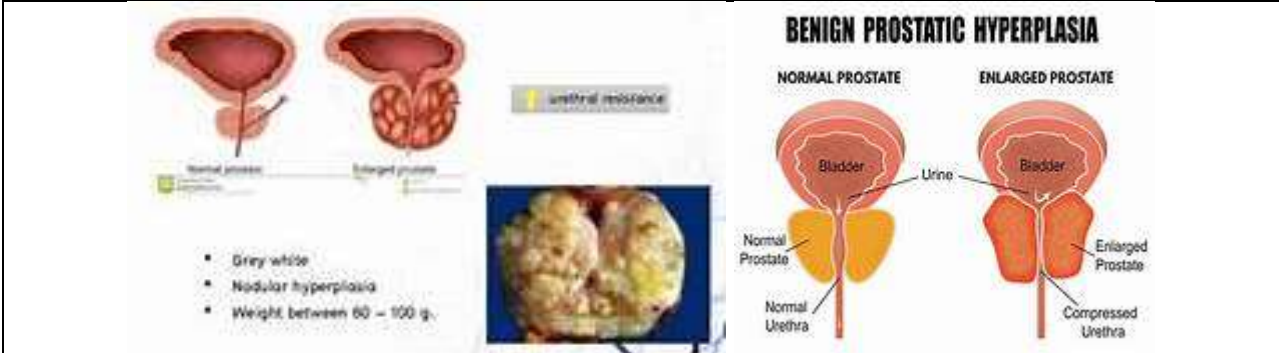
1. Retention-overflow.
2. Constant dribbling of urine.
3. Incomplete evacuation due to:
 - (a) Ball-valve action of middle lobe. L
 - (b) Elevation of urethral orifice above the level of the bladder floor.
 - (c) Lifting up of the urinary outlet by the growing process
 - (d) Dilatation or/and stretching of the vesical sphincter.
4. Cystitis.
5. Hypertrophy or/and dilatation.
6. Ribbed appearance (due to thick trabeculae of the muscle bands)
7. Pouching and false diverticulae.
8. Predisposition to Phosphatic calculi.

III. Ureters and renal pelvis:

- Dilatation (bilateral).

IV. Kidneys:

1. Hydronephrosis (bilateral).
2. Infection (bilateral):
 - a. Pyelonephritis.
 - b. Pyonephrosis.
3. Renal insufficiency and uraemia.



Nodular hyperplasia of the prostate gland, also benign prostatic

hyperplasia (abbreviated **BPH**), is a common benign pathology of the [prostate gland](#).

- It is also known as **prostatic nodular hyperplasia**.
- Occasionally, it is referred to as **benign prostatic hypertrophy**; this is a [misnomer](#). This pathology is *not* a hypertrophy.

General

- Very common.
- Incidence increases with age.

Clinical - mnemonic I WISH 2p:

- **I**ntermittency.
- **W**eak stream.
- **I**ncomplete emptying.
- **S**training.
- **H**esitancy.
- Post-void dribbling.
- Prolonged voiding.

Others:

- Hematuria - common.

Treatment:

- Medications.
- Transurethral resection of the prostate (TURP).

Gross

- Enlargement of the prostate.
- Nodularity of the prostate.

Microscopic

Features:

- Stromal and/or glandular hyperplasia.
 - Stromal component has small blood vessels.

Notes:

- Should **not** be diagnosed on core biopsy!
- One series suggests clinically relevant prostate cancer is seen in ~1.5% of resections for BPH.^[3]

DDx:

- [Urothelial carcinoma](#) - significant nuclear atypia.
- [Prostate carcinoma](#) - especially low-grade.
- [Smooth muscle tumour of uncertain malignant potential](#) - lacks small vessels.

