# XXI. Diseases of the Female Genital System

# **Predisposing factors:**

- 1. Carcinoma in situ.
- 2. Papilloma of cervix.
- 3. Cervical laceration and erosions (and hence, relatively uncommon in the young and in virgins).
- 4. Hormonal imbalance (oestrogen).
- 5. Effect of smegma of the non-circumcised husband.



#### Risk factors for cancer cervix

1.HPV: 99% of cervical cancer & high grade CIN are associated with HPV
Types 16 and 18, are responsible for 70% of all cervical cancers.

2. Cigarette smoking
3. OCP
4. Immunosuppression
5. Dietary factors: Deficiency of folic ac, vit A
6. Sexual factors:

Multiple sexual partners, Early age of first SI, Male partner
7. Reproductive factors:

Multiparity, > 4 live births, early age of first birth, No of vag deliveries
8. Low socioeconomic status

#### Clinically,

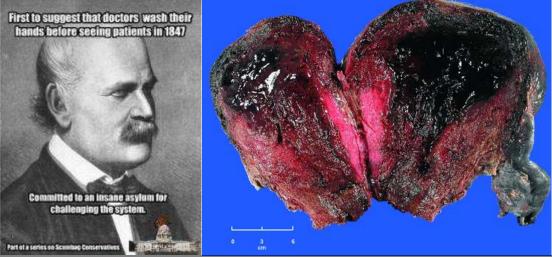
- The disease starts with surface-granularity associated with leucorrhoea metrorrhagia (irregular intermenstrual bleeding) about the period of menopause.
- Later on, eccentric, firm, focal thickening → slight nodularity at the external os (or internal os) → fungation or/and ulceration → spread and deformity → intestinal and urinary symptoms → urinary obstruction.

Later still, fistula, haemorrhage, pyelonephritis, peritonitis or/and uraemia.			
Sarcoma Botryoides			
Cervix:	Is enlarged		
	Shows a mass		
	The mass:	• Large	
		Bulky	
		Polypoidal	
		Nodular	
		With grape-like fringes	
	Cut surface:	Gelatinous	
		Solid-like (in parts)	
		Foci of small haemorrhages	

## **N.B.**:

- It is considered as a **distinct form of embryonal myosarcoma**.
- It is a malignant tumour **occurring in children and projecting into the vagina** as an oedematous polypoidal mass.

Puerperal sepsis			
Uterus	Is larger in size than normal (sub-involution state)		
	Softer than normal (flabby)		
Endometrium:	Lined by a ragged breaking down tissue		
	Is coated with a granular membrane		
	Shows:	Purulent yellowish exudate	
		Pale yellowish shredded patches of necrosis	
Wall:	Is thickened		
	Shows:	Dilated and thrombosed veins	
		Areas of necrosis	
		Foci of blood clots	



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This is a case of acute inflammation of the uterus (septic endometritis) following abortion.

# PREDISPOSING FACTORS OF PUERPERAL SEPSIS:

## **ANTEPARTUM**

- Malnutrition
- Anemia
- Preterm labor
- Early rupture/PROM/PPROM
- Precipitate delivery
- Immunocompromised (eg:AIDS)
- Diabetes
- Obesity
- Organisms of normal vaginal flora.[ details next slide]

#### INTRAPARTUM

- Repeated vaginal examinations
- Dehydration
- Ketoacidosis during labor
- Traumatic vaginal delivery
- · APH or PPH
- Retained bits of placental tissue or membranes
- · Prolonged labor
- Obstructed labor
- Caesarean or Instrumental delivery.