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Is a distinctive pattern of chronic inflammation characterized by aggregates of activated macrophages called epitheliod cells.

Granulomatous Inflammation is caused by:

1. Bacterial infection: Tuberculosis, Leprosy,
Syphilitic gumma & Cat-scratch disease.
2. Parasitic infections: Schistosomiasis.

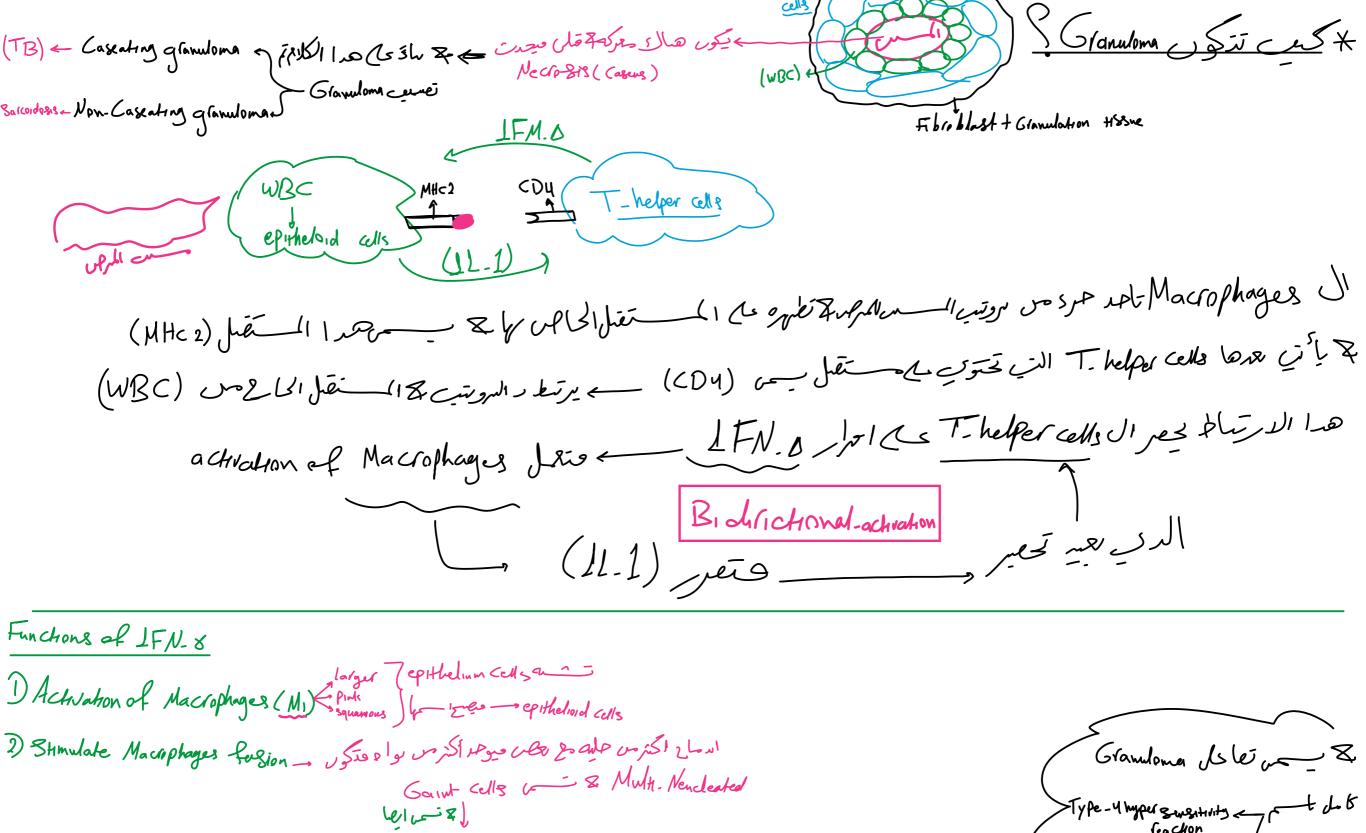
3. Fungal infections : <u>Histoplasma capsulatum</u> Blastomycosis.

4. Inorganic metals or dusts: Silicosis & Berylliosis.

5. Foreign body: Suture, breast prosthesis.

6. Unknown: Sarcoidosis.

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Microscopically the granuloma consists of: A central aggregate of epitheliod cells or activated

A central aggregate of epitheliod cells or activated macrophages, (large, & flat with pink granular cytoplasm & indistinct cell boundaries), surrounded by

A <u>collar of lymphocytes</u> secreting cytokines responsible for ongoing macrophage activation.

A <u>surrounding rim of fibroblasts & connective tissue</u> (scarring), due to cytokines elaborated by the activated macrophages; this rim is useful in containing the causative injurious agent, **But** it may cause harmful tissue injury!

A multinucleated giant cell (s) measuring 40 to 50 microns in diameter may be found in some granulomas, with two or more nuclei المسلم (e.g., Langhans giant cell in TB granuloma).

Sometimes, caseous necrosis is seen, especially in TB granulomas due to combine effects of hypoxia & FR injury. Identification of T.B. bacilli in such granuloma, using special ZN stain is necessary to confirm the diagnosis of TB.

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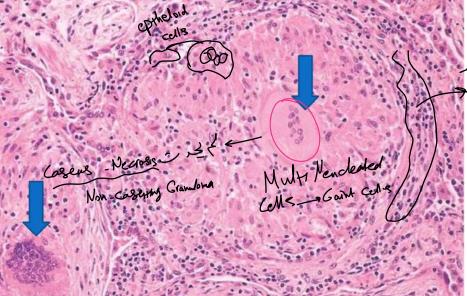


Figure 48: Microscopic view of granulomatous inflammation, showing rounded aggregates of epithelioid cells, giant cells (arrows) & surrounding lymphocytes with fibrosis.

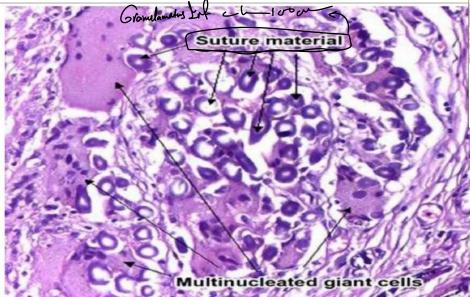
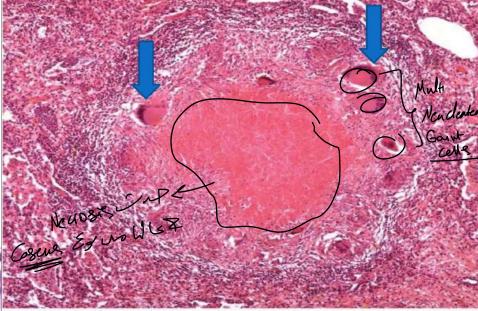


Figure 49: Microscopic view of foreign-body giant cell granuloma, surrounding sparticles of suture material.



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Figure 50: Caseating tuberculous granuloma showing central caseous necrosis (pink) with peripheral epithelioid cells & Langhans giant cells (arrows), with lymphocytes & fibrosis .

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Definitions:

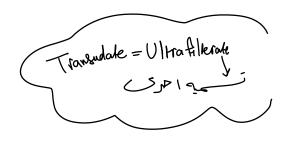
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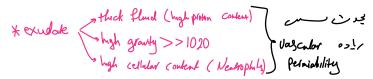
Is a clear serous fluid that has low protein content, low specific gravity less than 1020, and a low cellular content.

It accumulates in tissue spaces & in serous cavities, when increased intravascular fluid escapes from intravascular compartment due to increased hydrostatic pressure or increased vascular permeability as in serous inflammation

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Exudate: A thick fluid of high protein content, high specific gravity more than 1020, and high cellular content mainly neutrophils, accumulate in tissue spaces, seen in acute suppurative inflammation due to escape of plasma protein and leukocytes due to increased vascular permeability.

Pus: Athick creamy yellowish, greenish or blood – stained fluid consisting of neutrophils, necrotic debris, with high protein content and high specific gravity more than 1020.

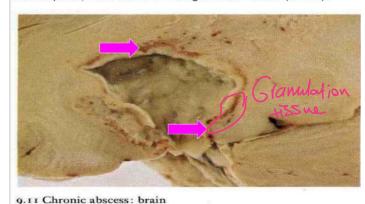
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- A localized collection of pus caused by suppurative inflammation.
- The central part of the abscess consists of a mass of acidophilic pinkish) amorphous semi fluid debris composed of dead tissue cells ,and dead leukocytes.
- This in turn is surrounded by a zone of viable neutrophils, which is surrounded by a highly vascularized connective tissue called *granulation tissue* and fibrosis which act as a barrier for further spread of the inflammatory process to the surrounding tissues.

Figure 51: Chronic brain abscess, its inner wall of is overed with grayish-green pus. The abscess is enclosed by a ibrous capsule, the brownish rim is a granulation tissue (arrows).



Ulcer: - surface epithelial sent co cris

Is a local defect or excavation of the surface of the skin, or the lining of a viscous organ (gastrointestinal, respiratory or genitor-urinary tracts).

It is produced by <mark>sloughing</mark> of inflammatory necrotic tissue.

In other words it is a localized loss of the continuity of an epithelial surface.

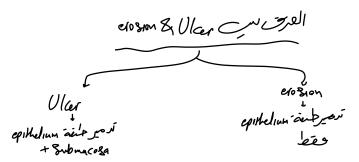




Figure 52: Gross appearance of an aphthus ulcers in the tongue, caused by viral infections.

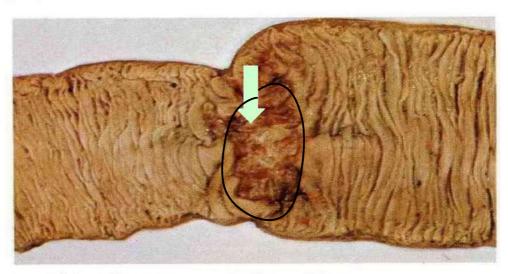
Figure 53: Gummatous ulcer (syphilis) Skin. A large, deep ulcer of the abdominal wall. The ulcer base is covered by a necrotic slough.



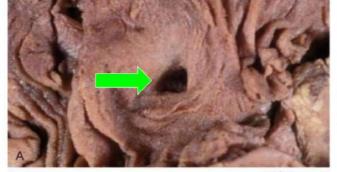
1.16 Gummatous ulcer: skin

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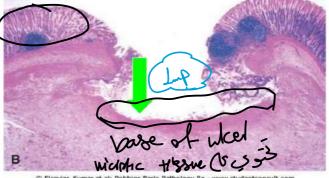
Figure 54: TB ulcer: ileum: A circumferential ulcer. Contraction of the ulcer scar tissue may produce a localized stricture, with intestina obstruction, and dilatation of the proximal segment (right of the figure).



4.35 Tuberculous ulcers and stricture: ileum



F 55: Morphology of an ulcer. A, gross appearance of chronic duodenal ulcer.



B, Low power view of the ulcer crater (pit) with an acute inflammatory exudate in the base.

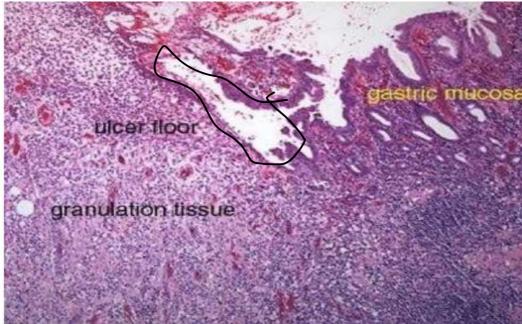


Figure 56: Microscopic view of Chronic gastric ulcer, showing loss of epithelial lining with acute inflammation & vascular granulation tissue at the ulcer floor.