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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED

|        |   |                                   |
|--------|---|-----------------------------------|
| PE     | : | Pleural Effusion                  |
| TB     | : | Tuberculosis                      |
| HTN    | : | Hypertension                      |
| DM     | : | Diabetes Mellitus                 |
| IHD    | : | Ischemic Heart Disease            |
| RHD    | : | Rheumatic Heart Disease           |
| PEM    | : | Protein Energy Malnutrition       |
| RVD    | : | Retroviral Disease                |
| CXR PA | : | Chest X ray Postero-Anterior View |
| LDH    | : | Lactate Dehydrogenase             |
| ADA    | : | Adenosine Deaminase               |
| AFB    | : | Acid Fast Bacilli                 |
| CLD    | : | Chronic Liver disease             |
| CKD    | : | Chronic Kidney Disease            |
| CCF    | : | Congestive Cardiac Failure        |

## **ABSTRACT**

### **Introduction:**

In the present study of 100 patients with Pleural Effusion admitted in Department of Medicine, KLES Dr. Prabhakar Kore Hospital and Medical Research Centre in the study period from January 2017 to December 2017 was undertaken to find the aetiology of Pleural Effusion.

### **Materials and Methods:**

All Patients admitted to wards of Department of General Medicine, KLES Dr. Prabhakar Kore Hospital and Medical Research Centre, Belagavi with Pleural Effusion, were subjected for Pleural Fluid Analysis.

### **Observations and Conclusion:**

The results observed on analysing the pleural fluid were majority of patients with exudative effusions in which most of the patients were tubercular followed by Parapneumonic effusions. In our study there was a male preponderance with a male to female ratio of 2.125 to 1 (68 males, 32 females).

We applied Light's criteria to find out type of effusion. Maximum number of patients had exudative effusion of which commonest etiology was found to be Tuberculosis in 49 Patients (49%) There was a positive correlation between Pleural LDH and Pleural ADA, and Pleural ADA with advancing age.

Keywords:

Pleural Effusion, Light's Criteria

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## **INTRODUCTION**

Accumulation of fluid in the pleural cavity is known as pleural effusion and also sometimes referred as water in the lung. Pleural cavity is the narrow space filled with fluid between the pulmonary pleurae. The intrapleural pressure is mostly subatmospheric, and it varies at different levels of the pleural cavity<sup>1</sup>. Pleural effusion is a common clinical condition which is more often a manifestation of various primary or secondary disorders.

The estimated prevalence of pleural effusion is 320 cases per 100,000 people in industrialized countries, with a distribution of etiologies related to the prevalence of underlying diseases<sup>2</sup>. Leading cause of pleural effusion in the US is CHF, with an estimated incidence of 500,000 followed by Pneumonia is second with an incidence of 300,000<sup>3</sup>. In Southwest Nigeria, pleural diseases accounted for 7.7% of respiratory morbidity with the majority between the ages of 15 and 44 years<sup>4</sup>. Substantial pleural effusion is more often reported as the result of malignant disease in 67% of cases, most commonly lung or breast carcinoma<sup>5</sup>. Approximately 40% of the hospitalized patients with pneumonia have an associated parapneumonic effusion<sup>6</sup>. Pulmonary embolus, viral disease, coronary artery bypass surgery, and cirrhosis are also common causes of effusion. Small pleural effusions are present in up to 40% of patients with pulmonary embolism. Of all patients with cirrhosis, 5% have an associated pleural effusion<sup>7</sup>. Additional to all the causes, TB is also an important cause, especially in the low and middle income countries. Previous studies have reported associations between mortality and pleural effusion in few specified populations. Bilateral pleural effusions were identified as the strongest independent predictors of mortality for patients who were admitted with community acquired pneumonia (CAP)<sup>8</sup>. Shaw P et

al., have reported that half of all patients with metastatic malignancies develop pleural effusions<sup>9</sup>.

Causes actually vary with age groups, among adult' sheart failure, malignancy, pneumonia, tuberculosis, and pulmonary embolism, whereas pneumonia is the leading etiology among children across the globe<sup>3</sup>. Accumulation of pleural fluid might not be due to specific disease, but rather due to presence of various underlying causes.

Clinical presentation of pleural effusion is generally dependent on the quantity of the fluid present and majority of the patients have no typical symptoms at the time of diagnosis. Most commonly reported symptoms include pleuritic dyspnea, chest pain and on productive cough. The chest pain during pleural effusion is usually due to inflammation of the pleura which is caused due to friction between the surfaces<sup>10</sup>.

The history and physical examination are critical in guiding the evaluation of pleural effusion. Taking a careful history and conducting a complete physical examination would yield information not only about the presence of the pleural effusion but also about its underlying cause. Chest radiographs are usually sufficient to confirm the effusion, but ultrasound or computed tomography (CT) scans are absolute techniques for detecting small effusions and for differentiating pleural fluid from pleural thickening.

Pleural fluid analysis is considered to be an important aspect in the diagnosis, as the effusions might be transudates or exudates based, which would be help in assessing the physiology of the formation. Exudates occur due to alterations in the factors which are important role in pleural fluid accumulation. Measurement of protein content of pleural effusion is essential in distinguishing between transudate and exudate<sup>11</sup>. Exudates are usually differentiated from transudates based on the

Light's criteria. Other diagnostic procedures like bronchoscopy, percutaneous biopsy and thoracoscopy are frequently used.

Management of pleura effusion majorly involves, draining of the excess accumulated fluid, surgical and therapeutic management and pleurodesis. Treatment of the underlying cause is always beneficial in treating most of the transudative effusions. Through the present longitudinal study, an attempt is made to assess the clinical and etiological features of pleural effusion.

## **AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

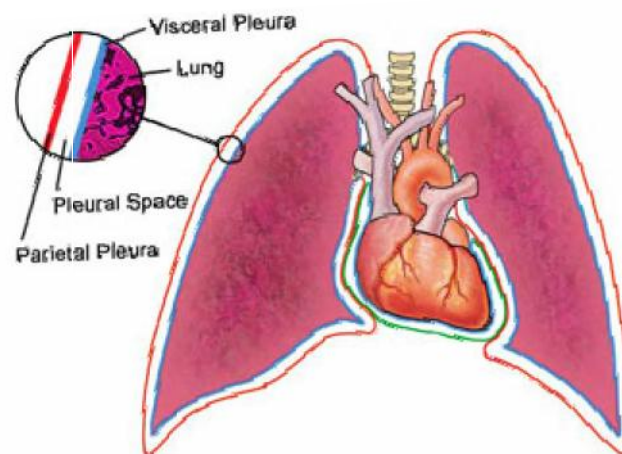
- To assess the clinical and etiological profile of patients presenting with pleural effusion to a tertiary care teaching hospital
- Clinical Study and Etiology of Patients with Pleural Effusion at KLES Dr. Prabhakar Kore Hospital and Medical Research Centre.

## **REVIEW OF LITERATURE:**

### **Anatomy and physiological role of pleura**

The thoracic cavity is divided into right pleural cavity, mediastinum and left pleural cavity. The pleural cavity is the space lined by a serous membrane called the pleural membrane. The membrane covers both the lungs and the thoracic wall and the space between the two membranes is the pleural cavity. The pleura cavity is filled with the pleural fluid which is acts as a lubricant between the layers. Membrane which is attached to the lobes of lungs is called as visceral pleura and the membrane covering wall of the outer cavity is called as parietal pleura.

**Fig: Anatomy of the pleural cavity**



The visceral pleura receives its blood supply from both bronchial and pulmonary artery branches, whereas the parietal pleura is supplied by the systemic circulation only. The visceral pleura is drained by the pulmonary veins, and the parietal pleura is drained by intercostal and bronchial veins. Lymphatic drainage of the visceral pleura is toward the hilar nodes, and that of the parietal pleura is toward the mediastinal glands<sup>11</sup>.

The pleural cavity plays an important role in optimal functioning of the lungs especially during heavy breathing. It transmits movements of the chest wall to the lungs. Chest wall transmits pressures to the visceral pleural surface and to the lungs<sup>12</sup>.<sup>13</sup>. The visceral pleura receives its blood supply from the bronchial circulation and the parietal pleura receives its blood supply from the intercostal arteries.

### **Common etiologies of pleural effusion**

#### **Infective conditions**

Anie, Y et al<sup>14</sup>., have carried out a study, with an objective to develop non-bacteriologic methods and to assess their potential utilities for the rapid diagnosis. A total of one hundred forty patients with pleural effusion were investigated for tuberculous etiology by bacteriologic methods. Mycobacterium tuberculosis in the pleural fluid specimens was isolated in 11 patients. Estimation of TBGL antigen by ELISA showed 100% specificity and overall 85.5% sensitivity. Immunocytochemistry could be applied only in those samples with adequate number of macrophages. PCR carried sensitivity and specificity of 87% and 93%, respectively. From the results, authors have stated that. Estimation of TBGL antigen in pleural fluid specimens by ELISA has a definite role in establishing tuberculous etiology, particularly in those patients in whom bacteriologic methods did not demonstrate M. tuberculosis.

To determine the morbidity and mortality related to respiratory diseases among adults attending a tertiary-care hospital in Nigeria, Desalu OO et al<sup>4</sup>., carried out a retrospective study among 183 adult patients diagnosed with respiratory diseases. Results showed that, pulmonary TB, asthma, pneumonia and pleural pathologies to be the most common in women, whereas COPD was more common in men. The most common comorbidity was HIV infection. Mortality was higher in women and in the

25-44 year age bracket. From the findings, authors have come to a conclusion that, pulmonary TB, asthma and pneumonia were the leading causes of respiratory disease-related morbidity.

### **Tumors Malignant conditions**

Agrawal A et al<sup>15</sup>., through their study, have made an attempt to find out the incidence of malignant pleural effusion, its aetiology and clinical course in patients attending a tertiary care teaching hospital. A total of 308 patients were included in this study. The major primary cancers were found to be, lung cancer (135), lymphoma (40), breast cancer (36), female genital tract (30) gastrointestinal (21), and others (8). The yields of pleural fluid cytology, blind pleural biopsy, CT/USG guided pleural biopsy and thoracoscopy were 60%, 49%, 76% and 91% respectively. Authors have concluded that, malignant pleural effusion is a commonly misdiagnosed medical entity and lung cancer is the commonest cause. Even after all the interventional measures, in about 15% of the cases, primary remains undiagnosed.

Pleural effusions are rarely associated with PCM and most often signify a concurrent disease process. Malignant myelomatous pleural effusions are even more unusual and carry a poor prognosis. Babu KA et al<sup>16</sup>., have reported a unique case of unsuspected PCM with thoracic involvement in the form of massive left side pleural effusion in 48-year-old man from North East India. Pleural fluid cytology revealed numerous atypical plasma cells. Subsequently on further workup, urine Bence Jones protein was positive. Bone marrow aspiration and biopsy and computed tomography of the chest and abdomen revealed features consistent with multiple myeloma. Through this case, authors have concluded that, presence of atypical plasma cells in the pleura may provide useful evidence for the diagnosis of PCM. Myelomatous

pleural effusion is a rare manifestation of the disease, as by itself it indicates an advanced stage of the disease and carries a poor prognosis.

Gadewad N, et al<sup>17</sup>., have studied the clinical profile of 100 patients presenting with malignant pleural effusion, their cytological and histopathological features and the efficacy of pleurodesis in preventing recurrence. Most common presenting symptoms were breathlessness (86%) and cough (86%). All (100%) of the malignant pleural effusions were exudative. Pleural fluid cytology was positive in 86% while pleural biopsy was positive only in 44%. Pleural biopsy was positive only in 17% of patients with negative cytology. Adenocarcinoma (59%) was found to be the most common type of cytological diagnosis. Based on the study findings, authors have concluded that, most common presenting symptoms were breathlessness and cough and they were exudative, lymphocytic predominant with low ADA levels. Adenocarcinoma of the lung was the most common cause of malignant pleural effusion.

### **Trauma**

Pleural effusion is a potential complication following blunt splenic injury. Kulaylat AN et al<sup>18</sup>., have performed a ten-year retrospective review on children with blunt splenic injury. Of 274 evaluable non-operatively managed pediatric blunt splenic injuries, 12 patients (4.4%) developed left-sided pleural effusions. Seven (58%) of 12 patients required left-sided tube thoracostomy for worsening pleural effusion and respiratory insufficiency.. Median length of stay was 4 days for those without and 7.5 days for those with pleural effusions ( $p < 0.001$ ) and 6 and 8 days for those pleural effusions managed medically or with tube thoracostomy ( $p = 0.006$ ), respectively. In multivariate analysis, high-grade splenic injury (IV-V) (OR 16.5,

p=0.001) was associated with higher odds of developing a pleural effusion compared to low-grade splenic injury (I-III). From the study findings, authors have come to a conclusion that pleural effusion following pediatric blunt splenic injury has an incidence of 4.4% and is associated with high-grade splenic injuries and longer lengths of stay.

### **Unusual presentations**

Imatinib is a tyrosine kinase inhibitor and has rarely been reported as a potential causal factor for pleural effusion Banka R, Udwardia Z<sup>19</sup> have presented a case of an 88-year-old male, known case of gastrointestinal stromal tumour on treatment with imatinib, who presented with a 2-week history of cough and dyspnea. He was diagnosed to have a right-sided pleural effusion and thoracentesis of the fluid revealed an exudate with low adenosine deaminase and negative cytology. Withdrawal of the drug lead to resolution of symptoms. Through this case study, authors have made an attempt to highlight the side effect profile of imatinib and warn physicians regarding this potential adverse effect which may be mistaken for metastasis or infection.

The occurrence of microfilaria in pleural fluid is rare. Chaturvedi A and Kumar A.<sup>20</sup>, have reported a case of 74-year-old male patient, non-smoker who was admitted to our hospital with breathlessness and chest discomfort of two weeks duration. He had, eosinophilia and deranged renal function. X-ray chest revealed massive left sided pleural effusion. Pleural fluid analysis revealed atypical cells and pleural fluid cytology showed microfilaria (*Wuchereria bancrofti*), which were also found on peripheral smear.

Arora VK and Gowrinath K<sup>21</sup>, have reported a case of pleural effusion is reported. A 60-year-old illiterate female with malaise, vague abdominal symptoms since 7 months and dry cough with low grade intermittent fever. Chest x-ray revealed a moderate effusion on left side. The pleural biopsy showed presence of microfilariae suggestive of *Wuchereria Bancrofti*. Treatment with diethyl carbamazine have yielded excellent results. Authors have also suggested that, filarial aetiology should be included in the differential diagnosis of idiopathic pleural effusions, especially in endemic areas.

Sahlu Gupta et al<sup>22</sup>., have reported a case of late onset ovarian hyperstimulation with bilateral pleural effusion and respiratory distress as the sole manifestation after embryo transfer. A 21 year-old female married at the age of 18 years attended the Institute of Reproductive Medicine out patient clinic with secondary subfertility of 2 years, irregular cycles and polycystic ovaries. Ultrasonography (both transvaginal and transabdominal) of the abdomen and chest showed bilateral enlarged ovaries (90 × 85 mm and 85 × 54 mm) with no fluid collection in the pelvis. However, there was evidence of bilateral pleural effusion. From the findings, authors have stated that, the frequency of OHSS presenting with an isolated pleural effusion is more often underestimated. In any patient diagnosed to have pleural effusion following controlled ovarian stimulation, OHSS should be considered as the most likely cause.

Fine needle aspiration and biopsy forceps are the tools mostly used by pulmonary physicians and radiologists. During these procedures pneumothorax can occur and immediate treatment is necessary. Jaggi S et al<sup>23</sup>., in their study have stated that, in order to reduce the complications such as pneumothorax, every operator should know more about anatomic structure, characteristics in the specific situation,

skills of selected tools or methods. While choosing the right patients with suitable instruments at the right place and time for proper operation, the operators would really improve the positive rate and security.

Sarcoidosis is a multisystem granulomatous disease of unknown etiology. Pleural involvement is relatively rare. Development of pleural effusion in sarcoidosis needs to be evaluated for other causes, especially tuberculosis in endemic countries. Sarcoid pleural effusion responds to systemic corticosteroids. Joshi S et al<sup>24</sup>, have presented a case of 42 year old male patient of sarcoidosis who developed massive pleural effusion while on treatment with steroids, which was attributed to disease per se. Sarcoidosis as a cause of massive pleural effusion has not been mentioned before in published literature. From the case findings, authors have suggested that, pleural effusion in all sarcoidosis patients must be appropriately confirmed with pleural biopsies and culture studies to distinguish between pleural involvement due to sarcoid or tuberculosis.

Subpleural and mediastinal lipomatosis are benign intrathoracic conditions discovered on plain chest radiographs. However, diagnosis is usually made by Computed Tomography (CT). Kaur N et al<sup>25</sup> presented a case of both mediastinal and pleural lipomatosis associated with use of steroids in a 58-year-old male patient presented with complaints of breathlessness and dry cough. Initially, pleural effusion and bilateral upper lobe patchy opacities were suspected as a cause of breathlessness on the basis of chest x-ray findings. For which, CT scan of chest was advised. Pleural and mediastinal lipomatosis occurring simultaneously in same patient is a rare entity and pleural lipomatosis more often acts a mimicker of pleural effusion. Through this case study, authors have suggested that, lipoma should be considered as one of the common aetiologies before confirming it as a case of idiopathic effusion.

Kumar J et al<sup>26</sup>, have reported a case of contralateral pleural effusion secondary to malposition of PICC line in an extremely preterm neonate .A preterm neonate born at 27 weeks, with a birth weight of 555 g, was on continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) for apnoea of prematurity and initially received total parenteral nutrition (TPN) through the umbilical venous catheter. Peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC) was inserted in the left basilica vein on day 8 to continue TPN. The baby developed respiratory distress with persistent hypoxia after TPN was initiated through the PICC line. The baby required mechanical ventilation due to worsening of respiratory distress, and chest X-ray, as well as ultrasound conducted 12 hours, postinfusion of TPN revealed right-sided pleural effusion. On careful observation, PICC was traced in the right lung area. The PICC line was removed immediately and the baby improved over the next 18 hours and was extubated to CPAP within the next 48 hours.

Kumar S et al<sup>27</sup>, have reported a rare case due to the rare manifestation in pulmonary sarcoidosis presenting clinically as hemorrhagic pleural effusion.A 53-year-old female bidi smoker was admitted to our department with complaints of loss of appetite and left-sided chest pain for 5 months. On examination, the patient was alert and well oriented. She was not in obvious distress. Her vital signs were stable. The only significant finding on examination of the chest was reduced breath sound at the left lower axillary area with bi basilar crept in the infrascapular area. Sarcoid pleural effusions may resolve spontaneously or require corticosteroids for resolution. The time of spontaneous resolution is variable, but most resolve in 1-3 months. In the present case, corticosteroid therapy resulted in marked improvement of the pleurisy as well as the parenchymal infiltrates

Light RW<sup>6</sup>., have stated in their study that, The mortality rate in patients with a parapneumonic effusion is higher than that in patients with pneumonia without a parapneumonic effusion. Parapneumonic effusions occur in 20 to 40% of patients who are hospitalized with pneumonia. Some of the excess mortality is due to mismanagement of the parapneumonic effusion. If the fluid cannot be removed with a therapeutic thoracentesis, a chest tube should be inserted and consideration be given to the intrapleural instillation of fibrinolytics. If the loculated effusion persists, the patient should be subjected to video-assisted thoracoscopic surgery, and if the lung cannot be expanded with this procedure, a full thoracotomy with decortication should be performed.

Mitra S et al<sup>28</sup>., in their case report, have presented a case of a 35-year-old female patient admitted with the chief complaints of a cough and shortness of breath for the past 4 months and heaviness and left-sided chest pain for 20 days. A cough was mostly dry without any associated expectoration or hemoptysis. Shortness of breath was insidious in onset and gradually increased to modified medical research council Grade 3. A black pleural effusion with squamous cells in the pleural fluid caused a suspicion of an unusual etiology. A careful evaluation of CT revealed some fat densities in the multiloculated mass associated with the effusion enabling us to make a tentative diagnosis of a mature cystic teratoma before referring her for an urgent thoracotomy. Authors have reiterated the CT findings of soft tissue, fat, and calcification which helped in the management of this patient.

### **Diagnosis of pleural effusion role of various modalities**

Chinchkar NJ, et al<sup>29</sup>., have conducted prospective study on 50 patients, diagnosed with pleural effusion to establish an etiologic diagnosis in a series of such patients before starting treatment. Etiologic diagnosis of pleural effusion was established in 44 (88%) Metastases (24%), para-pneumonia (22%), congestive cardiac failure (18%), tuberculosis (14%, hemothorax (4%), trapped lung, renal failure, and liver cirrhosis (2% each). Out of the 50 patients, 10 died in the hospital, 2 left against medical advice, and 2 were referred to oncology center for further treatment. The remaining 36

patients were clinically stabilized and discharged. During a 3-month follow-up, eight of them were re-hospitalized, of which four died. From the study findings, authors have concluded that, pleural effusion in RICU carries a high risk of mortality.

### **Imaging modalities**

Sharma M et al<sup>30</sup>., have stated that, the most efficient and cost-effective approach for the diagnosis of pleural exudates remains uncertain and is a subject of controversy. Essential factors to be considered include the respective diagnostic yields of thoracentesis, closed pleural biopsy, and thoracoscopy. The role of endoscopic ultrasound (EUS) of the oesophagus as a modality for the evaluation of pleural exudates has not yet been evaluated. The applied anatomy of the pleura has been discussed. The techniques involved in the EUS imaging of different aspects of the pleura in normal cases and in cases with pleural effusion are elaborated. The practical application of this knowledge can be useful in EUS-guided sampling of the pleural wall, pleural nodules, and in cases of pleural effusion.

Hasley PB et al<sup>8</sup>., have carried out a prospective cohort study to determine whether pulmonary radiographic findings at presentation are independently associated with 30-day mortality in patients with suspected CAP. Out of the total 2287 patients included in the study, 1906 patients (83.3%) had a pulmonary radiographic infiltrate confirmed by the radiology panel. Overall, 30-day mortality in this cohort was 4.9%. Following radiographic characteristics were found to significantly associated with 30-day mortality, 1) bilateral pleural effusions (RR, 7.0, 95% CI, 3.9-12.6), 2) a pleural effusion of moderate or greater size (RR, 3.4, 95% CI, 1.4-8.4), 3) 2 or more lobes involved with infiltrate (RR, 2.5, 95% CI, 1.6-3.8), 4) bilateral infiltrate (RR, 2.8, 95% CI, 1.9-4.2), 5) bronchopneumonia (RR, 1.6, 95% CI, 1.0-2.7), and 6) air bronchograms (RR 0.5, 95% CI, 0.2-0.9). Multivariate analysis of radiographic

features and other clinical characteristics showed the presence of bilateral pleural effusions was independently associated with mortality. From the findings, authors have concluded that, in patients with CAP, the presence of bilateral pleural effusions is an independent predictor of short-term mortality.

**Pleural fluid analysis (Biochemical, microbiological and immunological tests)**

Sharma SK and Banga A<sup>31</sup> have carried out a study on 101 patients with pleural effusion, to assess the diagnostic utility of IFN-gamma level estimation in patients with TB pleural effusion and to define the best cut off of IFN-gamma for diagnosis TB pleural effusion. Measurement of pleural fluid IFN-gamma levels was done by ELISA technique. The median value of pleural fluid IFN-gamma levels in patients with TB (1480 pg/ml, range 3-14,000 pg/ml) was significantly higher ( $p < 0.001$ ) compared with the non-TB group (3 pg/ml, range 0-900 pg/ml). The receiver operator characteristic (ROC) curve for IFN-gamma showed an area under the curve (AUC) value of 0.954, and the best cut off was computed to be 138 pg/ml. Using this cut off for IFN-gamma levels in pleural fluid for the diagnosis of TB, sensitivity, specificity, negative predictive value, and positive predictive value were found to be 90.2%, 97.3%, 85.7%, and 98.3%, respectively. Through this study, authors have suggested that, estimation of IFN-gamma levels in pleural fluid is a useful diagnostic modality for TB pleural effusion. A cut off of 138 pg/ml provides the best sensitivity and specificity for diagnosis of TB.

Wu H et al<sup>32</sup>., have conducted a quality improvement initiative using 74 samples from 60 individual patients, to determine the volume of fluid sufficient for a diagnosis of malignant pleural effusion. Thirty-six patients (60%) had a previous diagnosis of malignancy. Of the 74 specimens, 26 (35.1%) were positive for malignancy. The detection rate for malignant pleural effusion by cytology for 25 mL,

50 mL, and 150 mL were 88.5%, 96.2%, and 100.0%, respectively ( $P = 0.16$ ). Two specimens that were negative in the 25 mL samples turned out to be positive in the 50 mL and 150 mL samples. One specimen was negative in the 25 mL and 50 mL samples but positive in the 150 mL sample. Authors have stated that, no statistically significant difference was observed in the detection of malignant effusion in the 25 mL, 50 mL, and 150 mL group.

Bansal A et al<sup>33</sup>., conducted a study in 30 patients of malignant pleural effusion and 30 patients of non-malignant pleural effusion. Sialic acid levels were estimated in serum and pleural fluid by Warren's TBA method. Serum sialic acid levels were found to be higher in group II as compared to group I. Smokers in group II had higher serum sialic acid as compared to group I ( $P < 0.05$ ). The sensitivity and specificity of pleural fluid/serum sialic acid ratio with cut off value of 0.7 were 76.67% and 20% respectively, while taking the cut off value of 70 mg/dL for pleural fluid sialic acid in malignant pleural effusions, the sensitivity was 63.33%, specificity 60% and positive predictive value 46.34%. From the study findings, authors have concluded that, determination of sialic acid levels in pleural fluid has diagnostic value as a cheap, simple and reliable marker for malignant pleural effusion.

### **Pleural biopsy**

Welagedara S et al<sup>34</sup>., have reported a case of an elderly Asian man where a medical error and diagnostic delays obscured the diagnosis of pleural tuberculosis (TB). The patient was hospitalized for evaluation of a unilateral pleural effusion. Initially, the patient was subjected to a pleural aspiration on the wrong side due to a lack of bedside ultrasound guidance. Subsequently, the patient underwent several investigations but not a blind closed pleural biopsy (BCPB) due to a lack of equipment. Furthermore, the patient was deemed to be too sick to undergo a

thoroscopic pleural procedure. Eventually, a bronchoscopy was performed, and washings from the right upper lobe were cultured, which established the diagnosis of TB. Through this case, authors have made an attempt to highlight the need to use bedside ultrasound in the investigation of pleural effusions, the role of BCPB especially in frail patients and finally the utility of bronchoscopy in establishing a diagnosis of pleural TB.

Biswas B et al<sup>35</sup>, carried out a prospective study to evaluate the role of pleural fluid analysis in diagnosing pleural diseases and to study the advantages and disadvantages of thoracentesis and pleural biopsy. A total of 66 indoor patients over followed a duration of 1 year. Pleural fluid was collected and cytological smears were made from the fluid. Plural biopsy was done in the same patient by Cope needle. Tuberculosis was the commonest nonneoplastic lesion followed by chronic nonspecific pleuritis comprising 60% and 33.3% of the nonneoplastic cases respectively and tuberculosis was predominantly diagnosed in the younger age group. Majority (70.8%) of malignancy cases were in the age group of >50-70. Adenocarcinoma was found to be the commonest (66.7%) malignant neoplasm in the pleurae followed by small-cell carcinoma (20.8%). Based on the study findings, authors have concluded that, pleural biopsy is a useful and minimally invasive procedure.

To assess the diagnostic yield and safety of closed pleural biopsy in patients with pleural effusion, James P et al<sup>36</sup>, have evaluated 48 consecutive cases of pleural effusion. In all these 48 cases of pleural effusion closed pleural biopsy was done with tru-cut biopsy needle and biopsy samples were sent for histopathology and mycobacterial culture. Out of 48 cases, main causes of pleural effusion were tuberculosis in 21(43.8%) cases, malignancy in 14 (29.2%) cases, paramalignant

effusion in six (12.5%) cases, empyema in three (6.3%) cases, transudative effusion in three (6.3%) cases and parapneumonic effusion in one (1.9%) case. Diagnostic yield of closed pleural biopsy was 62.2% in cases of all exudative pleural effusion, 76.2% in cases of tubercular pleural effusion and 85.7% in cases of malignant pleural effusion. Authors have come to a conclusion that, closed pleural biopsy provides the highest diagnostic yield in cases of pleural tuberculosis and malignancy, the two most important causes of exudative pleural effusion.

Nattusamy L et al<sup>37</sup>., have performed systematic review of studies reporting the utility of semi-rigid thoracoscopy from India. A total of 48 patients underwent semi-rigid thoracoscopy. Pre-procedure clinico-radiological diagnoses were malignant pleural effusion (36 patients (75%)), tuberculosis (TB) (10 (20.83%) patients), and empyema (2 patients (4.17%)). Fourteen (29.17%) patients were diagnosed with non-specific pleuritis and normal pleura was diagnosed on a pleural biopsy in 2 (4.17%) patients. Overall, a definitive diagnosis of either pleural malignancy or TB was obtained in 32 (66.7%) patients. Combined overall sensitivity, specificity, positive predictive value and negative predictive value of thoracoscopic pleural biopsy for malignant pleural effusion were 96.77%, 100%, 100% and 66.67%, respectively. There was no procedure-related mortality. Based on the study findings, authors have concluded that, semi-rigid thoracoscopy is a safe and efficacious procedure in patients with undiagnosed exudative pleural effusions.

Rajawat GS et al<sup>38</sup>., have carried out a cross-sectional study to analyze the diagnostic yield and safety of closed needle pleural biopsy in exudative pleural effusion and assessment of patients' characteristics with the yield of pleural biopsy. The main outcome measure was diagnostic yield in the form of confirming diagnosis. Out of the 191 patients with exudative lymphocytic pleural effusion, 123 (64.40%)

were diagnosed on the first pleural biopsy. Among the remaining 68 patients, 22 patients had repeat pleural biopsy with a diagnostic yield of 59.9%. The overall pleural biopsy could establish the diagnosis in 136 (71.20%) patients with pleural effusion. The most common diagnosis on pleural biopsy was malignancy followed by tuberculosis. Authors have concluded that, closed pleural biopsy provides diagnostic yield nearly comparative to thoracoscopy in properly selected patients of pleural effusions

### **Other biochemical investigations**

Matthai SM and Kini U<sup>39</sup>., have examined 26 eosinophilic pleural effusions from among 444 consecutive pleural effusions to assess the diagnostic and prognostic significance of these eosinophilic effusions and assess their clinical implications. Koss and Light's criteria were applied in the analysis, Out of the 26 EPFs studied, five were associated with tuberculosis and three with metastatic disease. Nineteen patients had significant associated lymphocytosis. Twenty-four patients have been followed up and are in good health to date and have had no recurrence of effusion. Through this, authors have concluded that, EPF could be associated with inflammatory, benign, and malignant conditions.

Sehgal IS et al<sup>40</sup>., performed a systematic review investigating the role of Xpert MTB/RIF in the diagnosis of tuberculous pleural effusion (TPE) was conducted. The pooled sensitivities and specificities of Xpert MTB/RIF were 51.4% and 98.6%, respectively, with culture used as a reference standard and 22.7% and 99.8%, respectively, with a composite reference standard (CRS) used as the benchmark. Xpert MTB/RIF has low sensitivity but excellent specificity in the diagnosis of TPE.

### **Most relevant studies**

Rahul Gupta et al<sup>41</sup>, have carried out a study, to evaluate the new-onset cases of pleural effusion with respect to etiology/causation. A total of 1000 patients were included in the study aged between 18 and 70 years. Out of total 1000 patients, 69.5% had tuberculosis followed by malignancy (16%) with the systemic causes forming about 15% bulk of the patients with pleural effusion. It was found more in males, associated with smoking, and majority of patients had unilateral effusion. Eighty-nine percent of patients had exudative effusion. The results of the study revealed that tuberculosis is still the most common cause of pleural effusion and efforts need to be stepped up to control tuberculosis. Based on the study findings, authors have suggested that, the national programs for control of tuberculosis need to be revisited to assess the magnitude of the problem, and the patients need to be counseled for the compliance of the therapy.

To investigate the etiology of pleural effusions (PE) in adults and the accuracy of pleural fluid (PF) cytology and cultures in malignant and infectious PE, respectively, José M. Porce et al<sup>42</sup>, have carried out a retrospective analysis of all patients with PE undergoing diagnostic thoracentesis. The leading causes of PE among the 3077 patients were found to be cancer (27%), heart failure (21%), pneumonia (19%), tuberculosis (9%), abdominal surgery (4%), pericardial diseases (4%) and cirrhosis (3%). Tuberculosis was the most common etiology in patients <34 years of age (52%), whereas heart failure predominated in octogenarians (45%). The most common primary tumors in malignant PE were lung (37%) and breast (16%) tumors. The overall accuracy of PF cytology was 59%. Viridans streptococci were the most commonly isolated pathogens (25.5%). From the study findings, authors have concluded that, three quarters of patients with PE in whom a diagnostic

thoracocentesis was indicated had cancer, heart failure, pneumonia or tuberculosis and on the other hand. PF cytology and cultures give false negative results in a significant number of cases.

Pujan Parikh et al<sup>43</sup>, have carried out a study to arrive at the etiological diagnosis of pleural effusion by analysis of history, clinical presentation, biochemical, radiological, cytological and bacteriological methods. Most common symptom was chest pain (72%) followed by fever (62%). Most of cases were tuberculous (62%) followed by malignant (18%). There were 15 patients with undiagnosed pleural effusion, in which, thoracoscopic pleural biopsy was done, among them 9 patients had malignancy and 5 patients had tuberculous pleural effusion. Most of etiologies for pleural effusion were tuberculosis among young's and malignancy in older age. Right sided pleural effusion was more common in exudative effusion while bilateral pleural effusion was more common in patients with transudative. From the results, authors have come to a conclusion that thoracocentesis followed by pleural fluid analysis is the best method to diagnose the underlying etiology.

To evaluate the common causes of pleural effusion in children. Saleh AB Memon and, Shajeel J Shaikh<sup>44</sup>, have carried out a retrospective study on 50 patients. Results have showed that, the boys were 30 (60%) and 20 (40%) were girls. Age range was three years to 14 years. The common symptoms were fever and cough. X-Ray chest showed large pleural effusion. Forty (80%) patients were anemic with less than 8gm Hb level. In 39 patients the ESR was less than 40mm in the first hour. The pleural fluid specimen was taken for culture and sensitivity. Sputum was sent for acid fast bacilli. In two patients, the puss was thick; these patients underwent thoracotomy and decortications. From the results, authors have concluded that, tuberculous pleural

effusion was the most commonly encountered. It was found in 35 (66%) cases. The second most common cause was paraneumonic pleural effusion.

## **METHODOLOGY**

**Study site:** This study was conducted in the Department of General Medicine at KLES Dr. Prabhakar Kore Hospital, Belagavi

**Study population:** All the patients admitted in the wards Of General Medicine at KLES Dr. Prabhakar Kore Hospital, Belagavi with Pleural Effusion were considered as study population.

**Study design:** The current study was a longitudinal study

**Sample size:** 100

**Sampling method:** All the eligible subjects were recruited into the study consecutively by convenient sampling till the sample size is reached.

**Study duration:** The data collection for the study was done between January 2017 to December 2017 for a period of 1 year.

**Inclusion Criteria:**

- Patients above 18 years of age with symptoms and signs of pleural effusion
- Chest X- ray showing pleural effusion

**Exclusion criteria:**

- Patients below 18 years
- Known case of pleural effusion previously tapped for etiological basis
- Acute respiratory distress syndrome
- Minimal pleural effusion

**Ethical considerations:** Study was approved by institutional human ethics committee. Informed written consent was obtained from all the study participants and only those participants willing to sign the informed consent were included in the study. The risks and benefits involved in the study and voluntary nature of participation were explained to the participants before obtaining consent. Confidentiality of the study participants was maintained.

**Data collection tools:** All the relevant parameters were documented in a structured study proforma.

### **Methodology:**

Inpatients with pleural effusion fulfilling the Inclusion & Exclusion criteria were taken in to study after obtaining written informed consent in their own vernacular language. Demographic data, History, Clinical examination and details of investigations (routine blood investigations, sputum examination, chest x ray pa view and pleural fluid analysis. The pleural fluid was analyzed for cell count, cell type, protein and sugar content, ADA. The pleural fluid PH, LDH, Ultrasound thorax was done as per case basis.

After these Pleural effusions were classified into exudative and transudative according to

- **LIGHT'S CRITERIA**

Fluid is exudate if one of the following Light's criteria is present

- Effusion protein/serum protein ratio greater than 0.5
- Effusion lactate dehydrogenase (LDH)/serum LDH ratio greater than 0.6
- Effusion LDH level greater than two-thirds the upper limit of the laboratory's reference range of serum LDH

**INVESTIGATIONS:**

- CBC
- SPUTUM EXAMINATION
- CHEST XRAY PA VIEW
- PLEURAL FLUID ANALYSIS-CELL COUNT CELL TYPE ,PROTEIN  
,SUGAR,ADA LDH
- SERUM LDH
- SERUM PROTEIN

**STATISTICAL METHODS:**

Descriptive analysis was carried out by mean and standard deviation for quantitative variables, frequency and proportion for categorical variables. Data was also represented using appropriate diagrams like bar diagram, pie diagram and box plots.

The association between age groups, LDH level and different categories of ADA was assessed by cross tabulation and comparison of percentages. Chi square test was used to assess the statistical significance of the association. P value < 0.05 was considered statistically significant. IBM SPSS statistical software version 21 was used for data analysis.

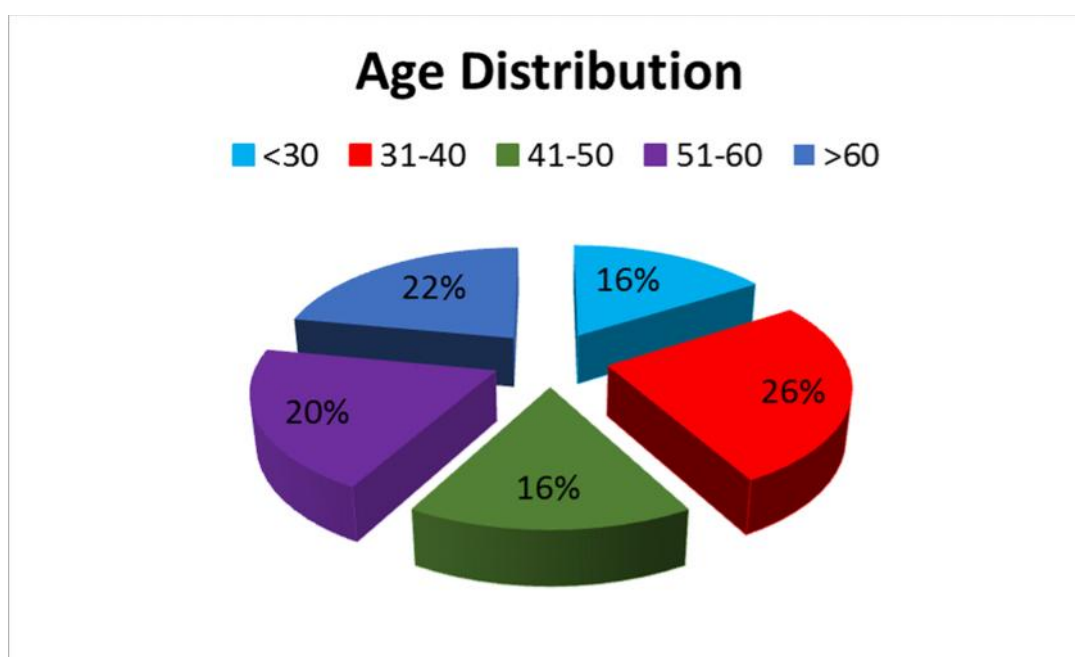
## **RESULTS**

The Present one year longitudinal study titled "Clinical and Etiological Study of Pleural Effusion" was carried out in the Department of Medicine, KLES Dr. Prabhakar Kore Hospital and Medical Research Centre, Belagavi. During the study period from January 2017 to December 2017, a total of 100 patients of Pleural Effusion were studied. The findings/observations and final results are tabulated as below.

**Table 1. Age Distribution**

| Age Group (Years) | Distribution (n=100) Number | Distribution Percentage |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| <30               | 16                          | 16                      |
| 31 to 40          | 26                          | 26                      |
| 41 to 50          | 16                          | 16                      |
| 51 to 60          | 20                          | 20                      |
| >60               | 22                          | 22                      |
| <b>Total</b>      | 100                         | 100.00                  |

Graph 1.

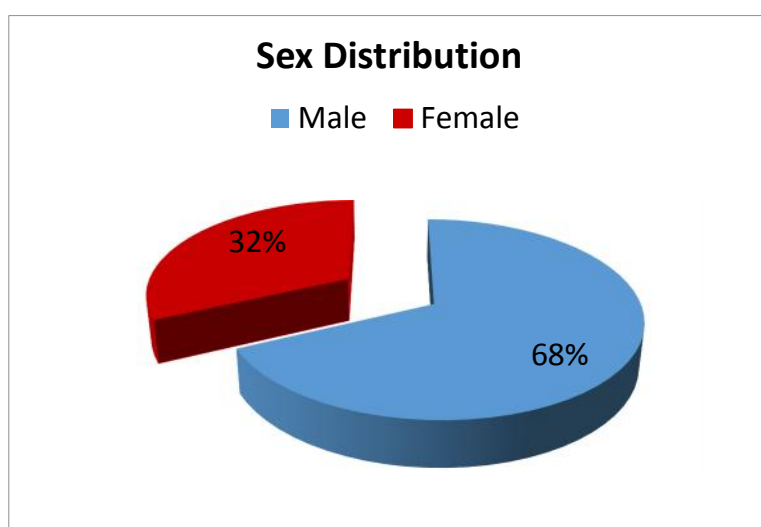


Patients age ranged from 18 to 84 years, maximum number of cases were in the age group of 31 to 40 years i.e. 26 patients (26%), 22 patients in >60 years, between 51 to 60 years 20 patients(20%), between 41 to 50 years 16 patients(16%) and 16 patients (16%) in <30 years.

**Table 2. Sex Distribution**

| Sex    | Distribution(n=100)<br>Number | Distribution<br>Percentage |
|--------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Male   | 68                            | 68%                        |
| Female | 32                            | 32%                        |
| Total  | 100                           | 100.00                     |

Graph 2.



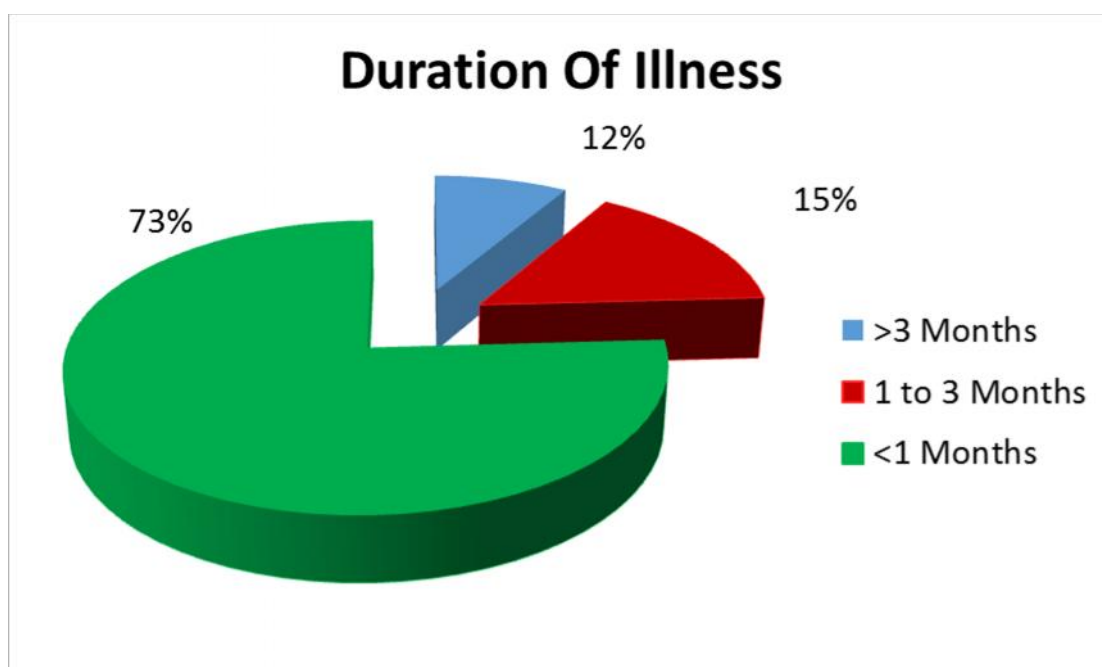
Out of 100 patients 68(68%) were males and 32 patients (32%) were females, accounting a ratio of M:F:: 2.125:1

Inference: Male Preponderance was observed

**Table 3. Duration of Illness**

| Duration(months) | Distribution(=100)<br>Number | Distribution<br>Percentage |
|------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| >3               | 12                           | 12                         |
| 1 to 3           | 15                           | 15                         |
| <1               | 73                           | 73                         |
| <b>Total</b>     | 100                          | 100.00                     |

Graph 3.

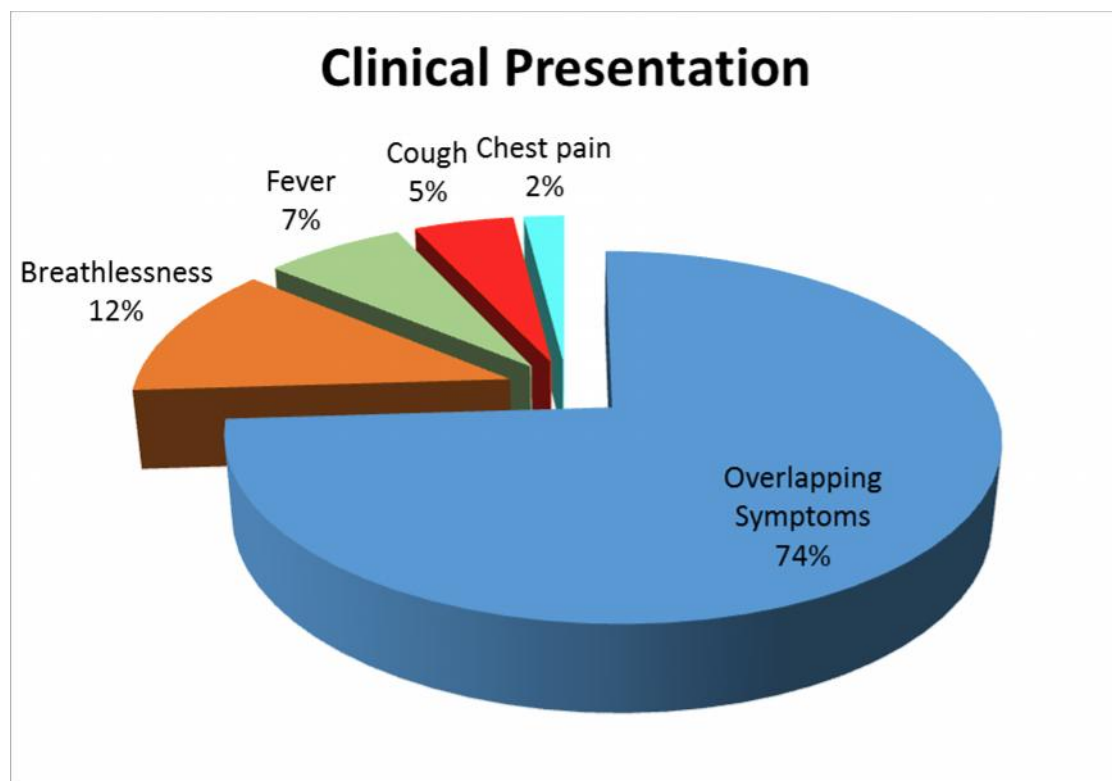


In the present study we observed the duration of illness varied from less than 1 month to being more than 3 months. In 73 patients (73%) duration of illness was <1 month, in 15 patients (15%) was between 1 to 3 months and in 12 patients (12%) was >3 months.

**Table 4. Clinical Presentation**

| Complaints                  | Distribution(n=100)<br>Number | Distribution<br>Percentage |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Overlapping Symptoms</b> | 74                            | 74%                        |
| <b>Breathlessness</b>       | 12                            | 12%                        |
| <b>Fever</b>                | 7                             | 7%                         |
| <b>Cough</b>                | 5                             | 5%                         |
| <b>Chest Pain</b>           | 2                             | 2%                         |
| <b>Total</b>                | 100                           | 100.00                     |

Graph 4.

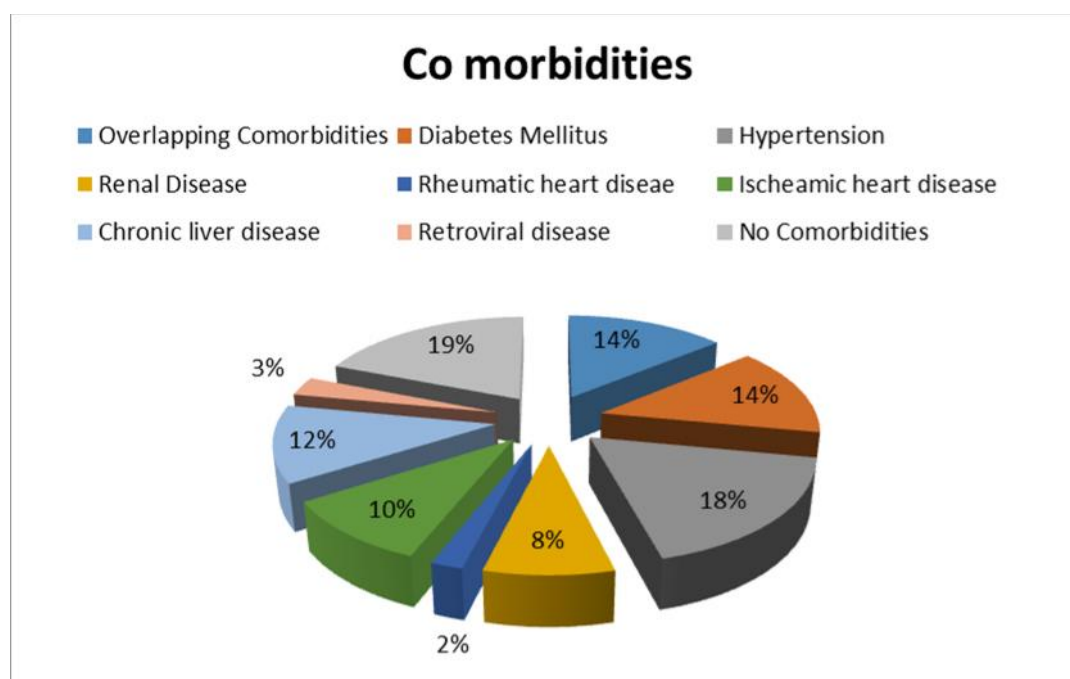


In our study majority of the patients ie.74(74%) presented with overlapping symptoms (Like breathlessness, chest pain, cough and fever), 12 patients (12%) presented with breathlessness followed by 7 patients (7%) with Fever, 5 patients (5%) with cough and 2 patients(2%) with Pleuritic chest pain.

Table 5. Co-morbid Conditions

| Comorbidities                         | Distribution(n=100)<br>Number | Distribution<br>Percentage |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Overlapping<br/>Co morbidities</b> | 14                            | 14                         |
| <b>Chronic liver disease</b>          | 12                            | 12                         |
| <b>Retroviral disease</b>             | 3                             | 3                          |
| <b>Renal Disease</b>                  | 8                             | 8                          |
| <b>Rheumatic Heart Disease</b>        | 2                             | 2                          |
| <b>Ischemic Heart Disease</b>         | 10                            | 10                         |
| <b>Diabetes Mellitus</b>              | 14                            | 14                         |
| <b>Hypertension</b>                   | 18                            | 18                         |
| <b>No co morbidities</b>              | 19                            | 19                         |
| <b>Total</b>                          | 100                           | 100.00                     |

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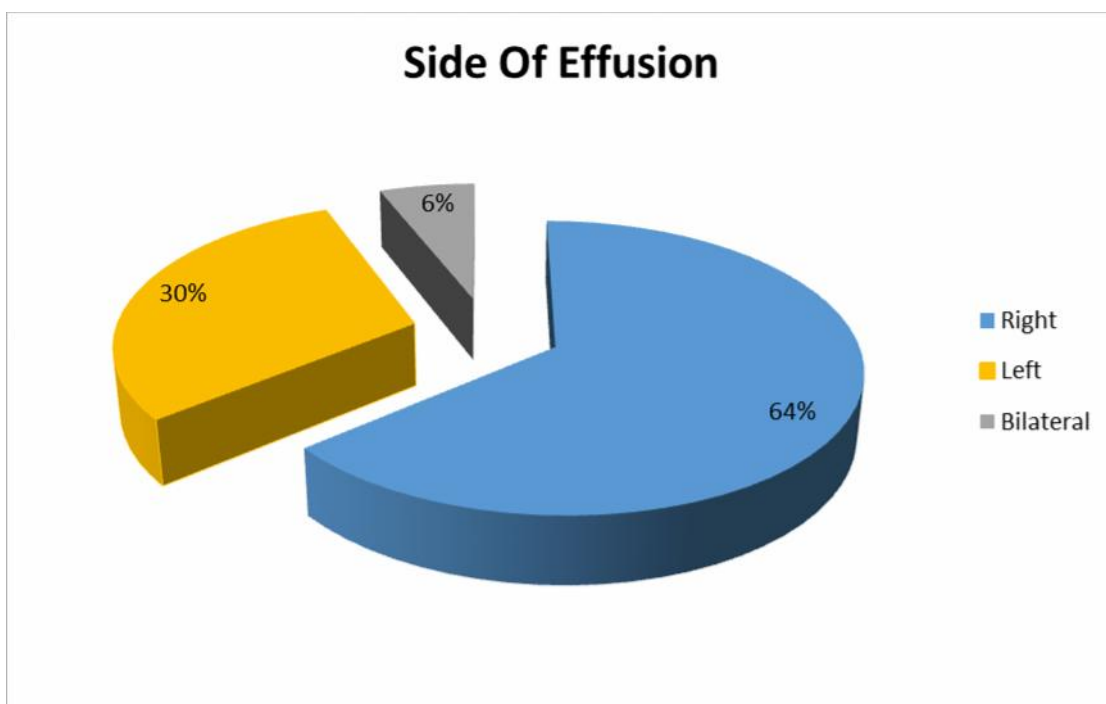


In our study, 14 patients (14%) had overlapping Co-morbidities(DM,HTN,IHD, Chronic Liver Disease and Chronic Kidney Disease),other Co morbidities are depicted in the above table.

**Table 6. Side of Effusion**

| Side             | Distribution(n=100)<br>Number | Distribution<br>Percentage (%) |
|------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Right</b>     | 64                            | 64                             |
| <b>Left</b>      | 30                            | 30                             |
| <b>Bilateral</b> | 6                             | 6                              |

Graph 6.

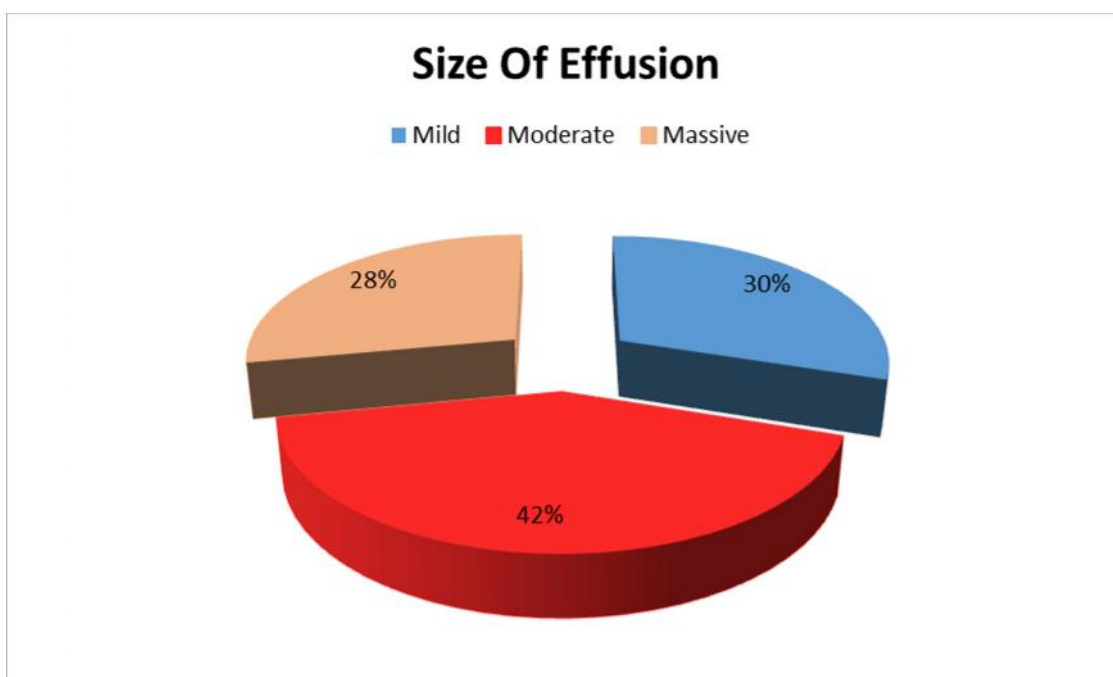


In our Present study, we observed 64 patients (64%) had Right Sided Pleural Effusion, 30 patients (30%) had Left Sided Pleural Effusion and only 6 patients (6%) had Bilateral Pleural Effusion.

**Table 7. Size of Effusion**

| Size(Chest X-ray ) | Distribution(n=100)<br>Number | Distribution<br>Percentage (%) |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Mild               | 30                            | 30                             |
| Moderate           | 42                            | 42                             |
| Massive            | 28                            | 28                             |
| <b>Total</b>       | 100                           | 100.00                         |

Graph 7.



In our Present Study of Pleural Effusion 42 patients (42%) had moderate Pleural Effusion ,30 patients(30%) had mild Pleural Effusion and 28 patients (28%) had massive Pleural Effusion. Division of mild, moderate and massive effusion was made on Chest X ray.

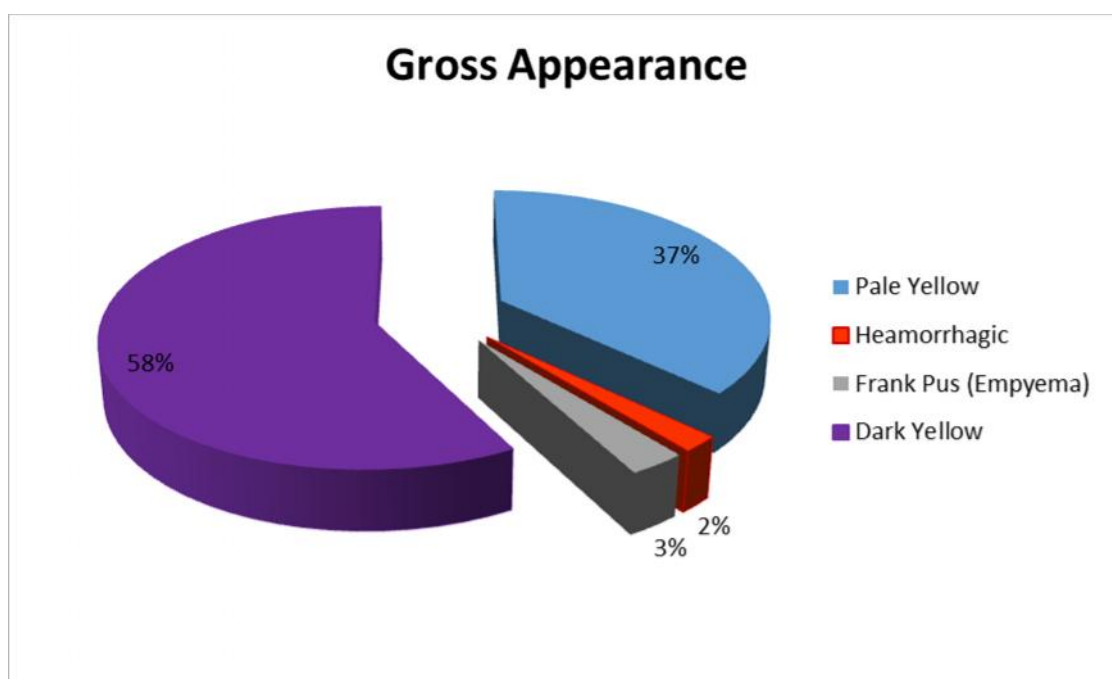
Lab Parameters

Pleural Fluid Analysis

**Table 8. Gross Appearance**

| Appearance         | Distribution(n=100)<br>Number | Percentage (%) |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Dark Yellow        | 58                            | 58             |
| Pale Yellow        | 37                            | 37             |
| Haemorrhagic       | 2                             | 2              |
| Frank Pus(Empyema) | 3                             | 3              |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>100</b>                    | <b>100.00</b>  |

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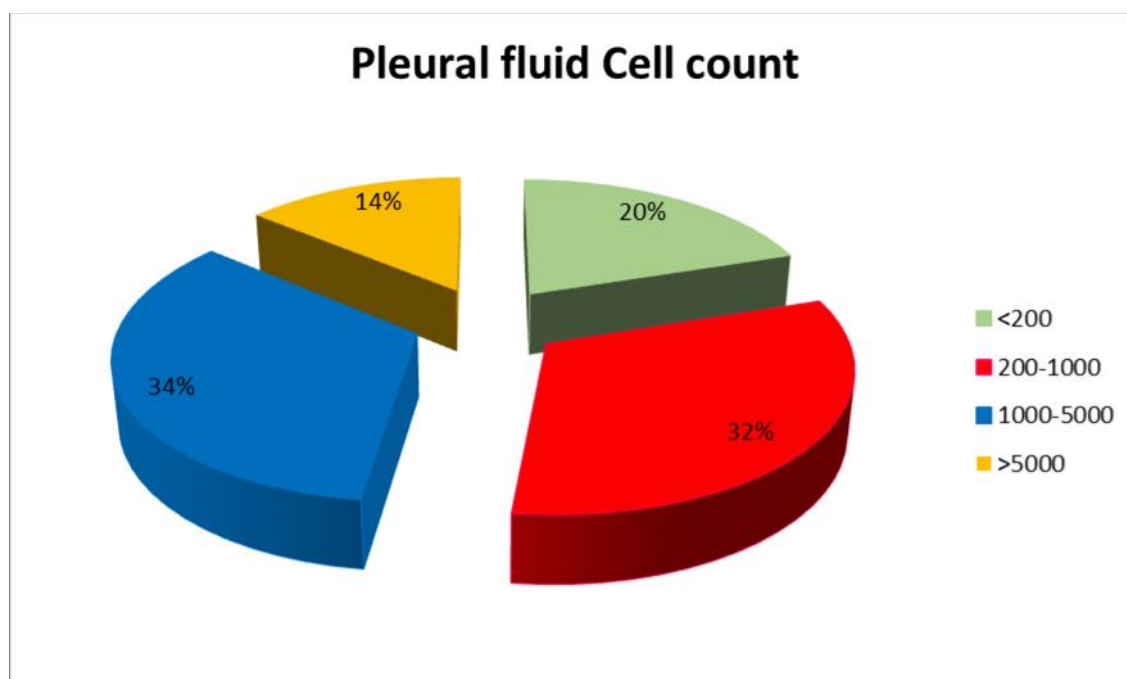


In our present study of 100 patients, majority (95%) had gross appearance of yellow colour (dark yellow 58% and pale yellow 37%), remaining 3 had frank pus suggestive of Empyema and 2 had haemorrhagic appearance (both were mesotheliomas).

**Table 9. Pleural fluid Total Cell Count**

| Total Cell Count | Distribution(n=100)<br>Number | Distribution<br>Percentage (%) |
|------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <200             | 20                            | 20                             |
| 200-1000         | 32                            | 32                             |
| 1000-5000        | 34                            | 34                             |
| >5000            | 14                            | 14                             |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>100</b>                    | <b>100.00</b>                  |

Graph 9.

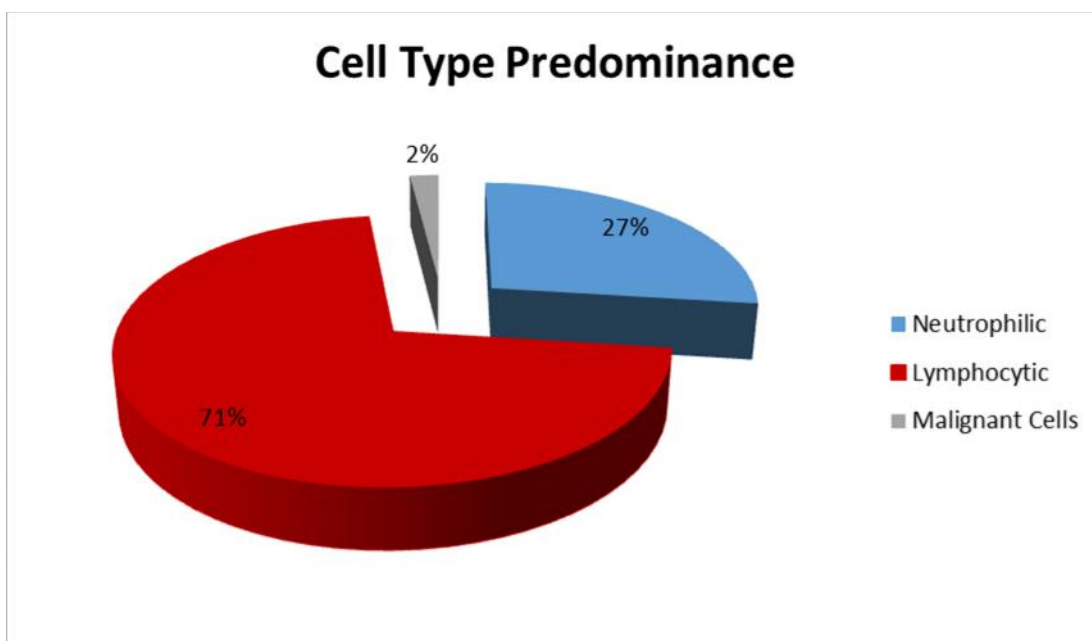


In our study we observed the cell count ranged from <200 to >5000. 20 patients (20%) had <200 cell count, 32 patients (32%) were in the range of >200 to 1000, 34 patients (34%) were in the range of 1000 to 5000 and 14 patients (14%) were having >5000 cell count.

**Table 10. Pleural Fluid Cell Type**

| Cell Type Predominance | Distribution (n=100) Number | Distribution Percentage (%) |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Neutrophilic           | 27                          | 27                          |
| Lymphocytic            | 71                          | 71                          |
| Malignant Cells        | 2                           | 2                           |
| <b>Total</b>           | 100                         | 100.00                      |

Graph 10.

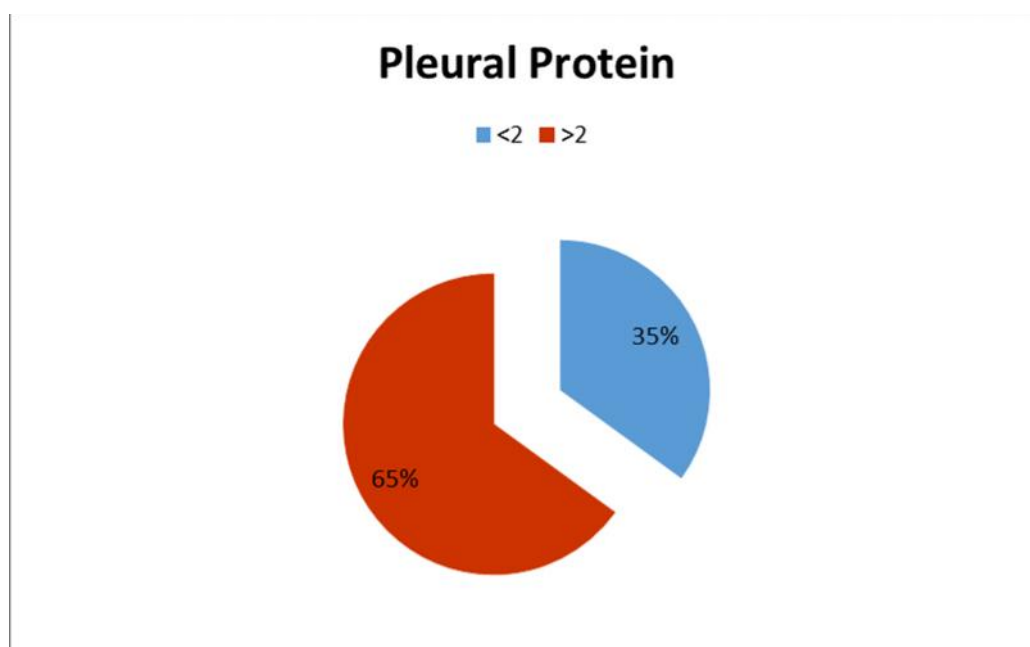


In our present study of 100 patients majority of patients i.e. 71 patients (71%) had lymphocytic predominance, 27 patients (27%) had neutrophilic predominance and 2 patients (2%) had malignant cells (both were mesotheliomas).

**Table 11. Pleural Fluid Protein**

| Pleural Protein (g/dl) | Distribution (n=100)<br>Number | Distribution<br>Percentage (%) |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <2                     | 35                             | 35                             |
| >2                     | 65                             | 65                             |
| <b>Total</b>           | 100                            | 100.00                         |

Graph 11.



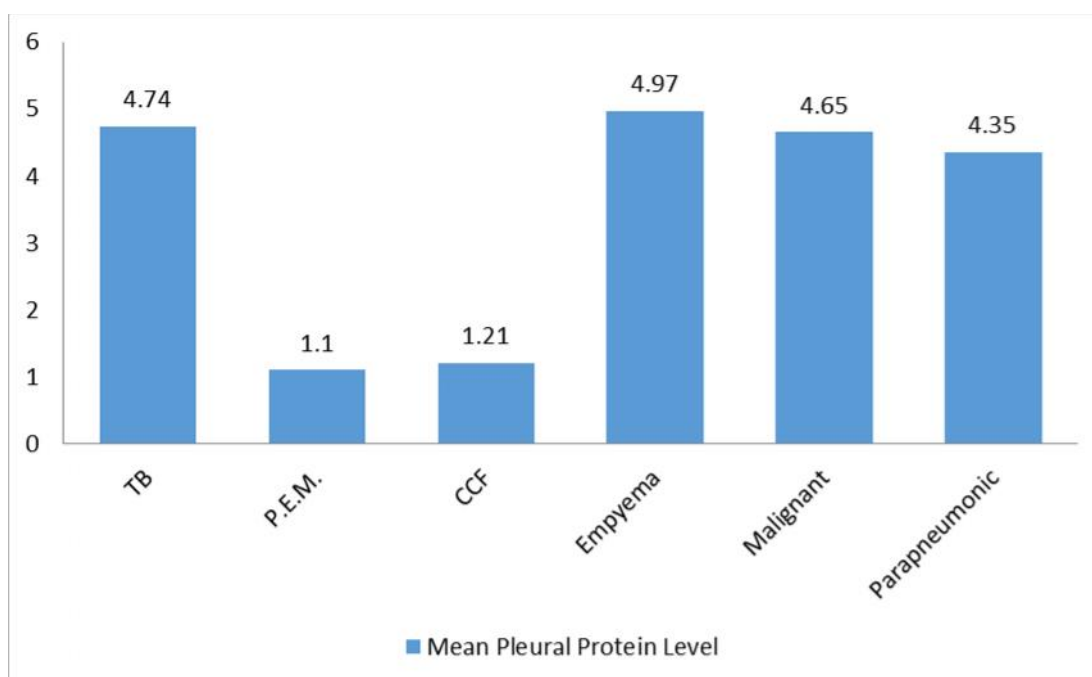
In our present study of 100 patients, 65 patients (65%) had >2g/dl pleural protein and 35 patients (35%) had <2g/dl.

The Mean Pleural Fluid Protein was 3.337g/dl.

**Table 12. Comparison of Mean Pleural Protein with Etiology**

| <b>Etiology</b>      | <b>Mean Protein Level</b> |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>TB</b>            | 4.74                      |
| <b>P.E.M.</b>        | 1.1                       |
| <b>CCF</b>           | 1.21                      |
| <b>Empyema</b>       | 4.97                      |
| <b>Malignant</b>     | 4.65                      |
| <b>Parapneumonic</b> | 4.35                      |

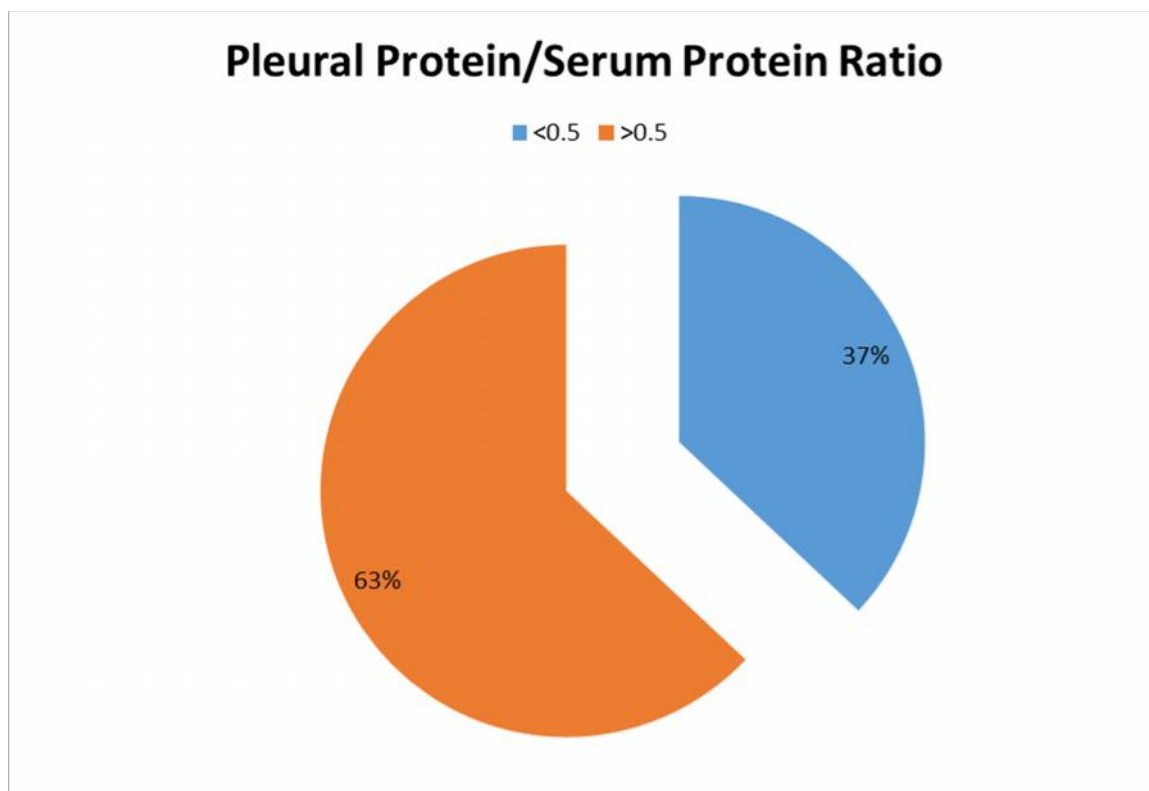
Graph 12.



In our study of 100 patients Mean Pleural Protein with different etiologies is depicted in the above table.

**Table 13. Pleural Protein to Serum Protein Ratio**

| <b>Pleural Protein/Serum Protein Ratio</b> | <b>Distribution (n=100)<br/>Number</b> | <b>Distribution<br/>Percentage (%)</b> |
|--|--|--|
| <b>&lt;0.5</b>                             | 37                                     | 37                                     |
| <b>&gt;0.5</b>                             | 63                                     | 63                                     |
| <b>Total</b>                               | 100                                    | 100.00                                 |

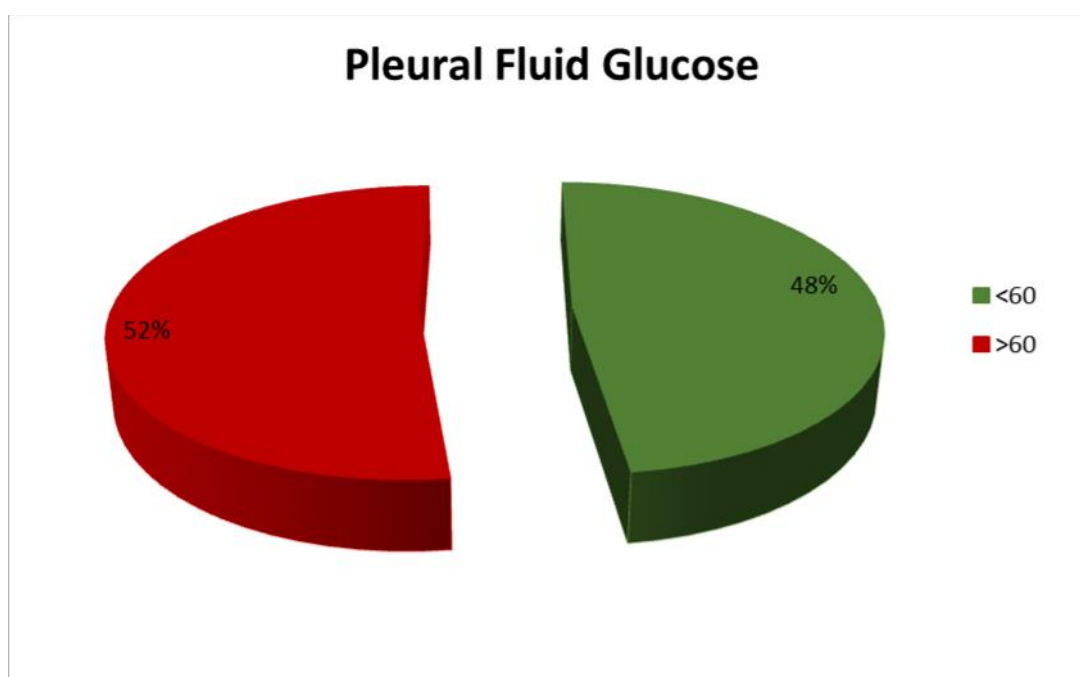
**Graph 13.**

Comparison of Pleural Protein to Serum Protein was done to distinguish whether fluid is transudate or exudate by Light's criteria, revealed 63 patients (63%) had >0.5 and 37 patients (37%) had <0.5

**Table 14. Pleural Fluid Glucose**

| Pleural Fluid Glucose (mg/dl) | Distribution (n=100) Number | Distribution Percentage (%) |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <60                           | 48                          | 48                          |
| >60                           | 52                          | 52                          |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>100</b>                  | <b>100.00</b>               |

Graph 14.

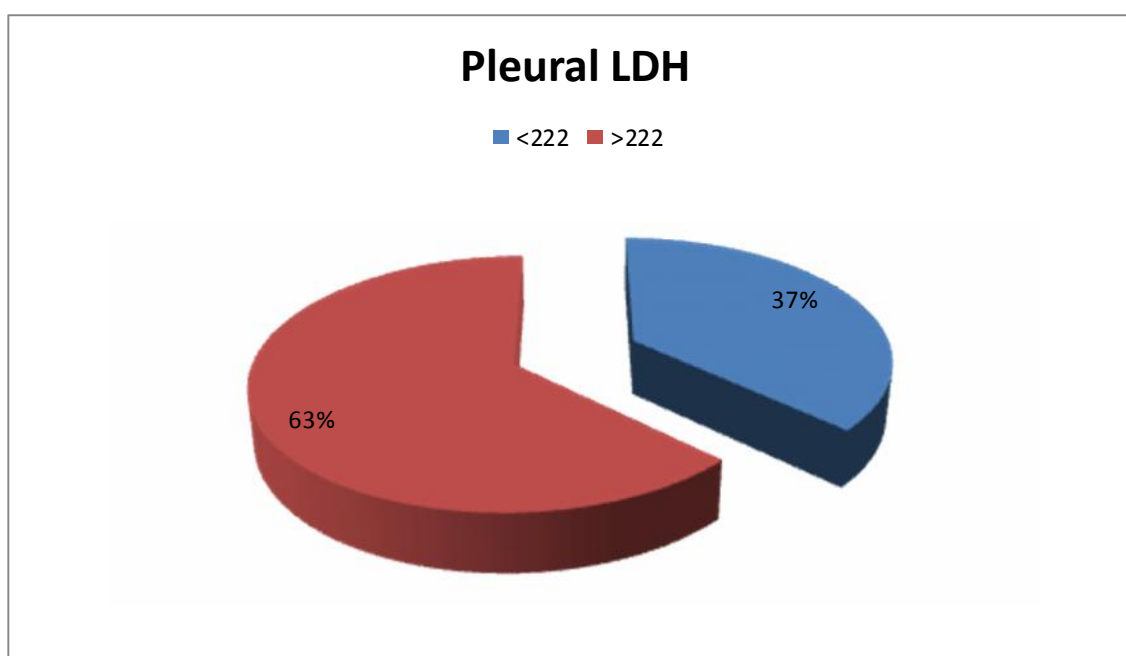


Pleural Fluid Glucose levels revealed 48 patients (48%) had <60 g/dl and 52 patients (52%) had >60 g/dl.

**Table 15. Pleural Fluid LDH**

| <b>Pleural LDH</b> | <b>Distribution(n=100)<br/>Number</b> | <b>Distribution<br/>Percentage (%)</b> |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| <b>&lt;222</b>     | 37                                    | 37                                     |
| <b>&gt;222</b>     | 63                                    | 63                                     |
| <b>Total</b>       | 100                                   | 100.00                                 |
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Graph 15.



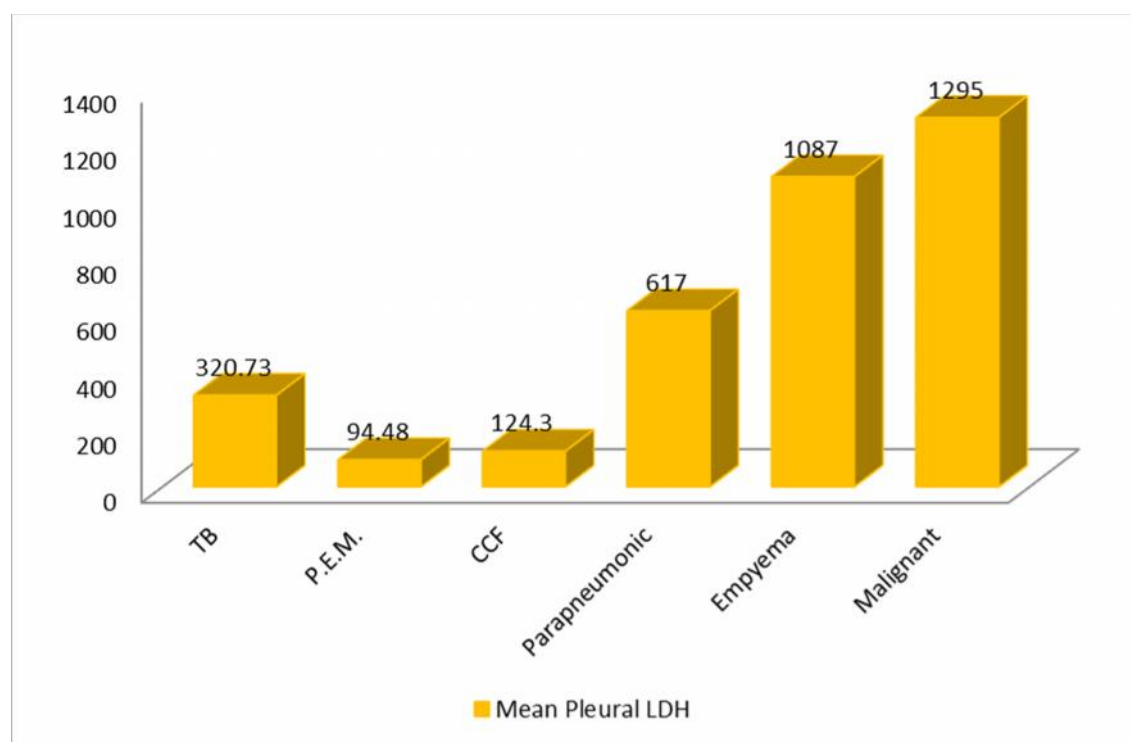
In our study of 100 patients we observed 63 patients (63%) had >222 Pleural LDH and 37 patients (37%) had <222 Pleural LDH.

The Mean Pleural LDH was 309.75

**Table 16. Comparison of Mean Pleural LDH with Etiology**

| <b>Etiology</b>      | <b>Mean Pleural LDH</b> |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>TB</b>            | 320.73                  |
| <b>P.E.M.</b>        | 94.48                   |
| <b>CCF</b>           | 124.30                  |
| <b>Parapneumonic</b> | 617.00                  |
| <b>Empyema</b>       | 1087.00                 |
| <b>Malignant</b>     | 1295.00                 |

Graph16.

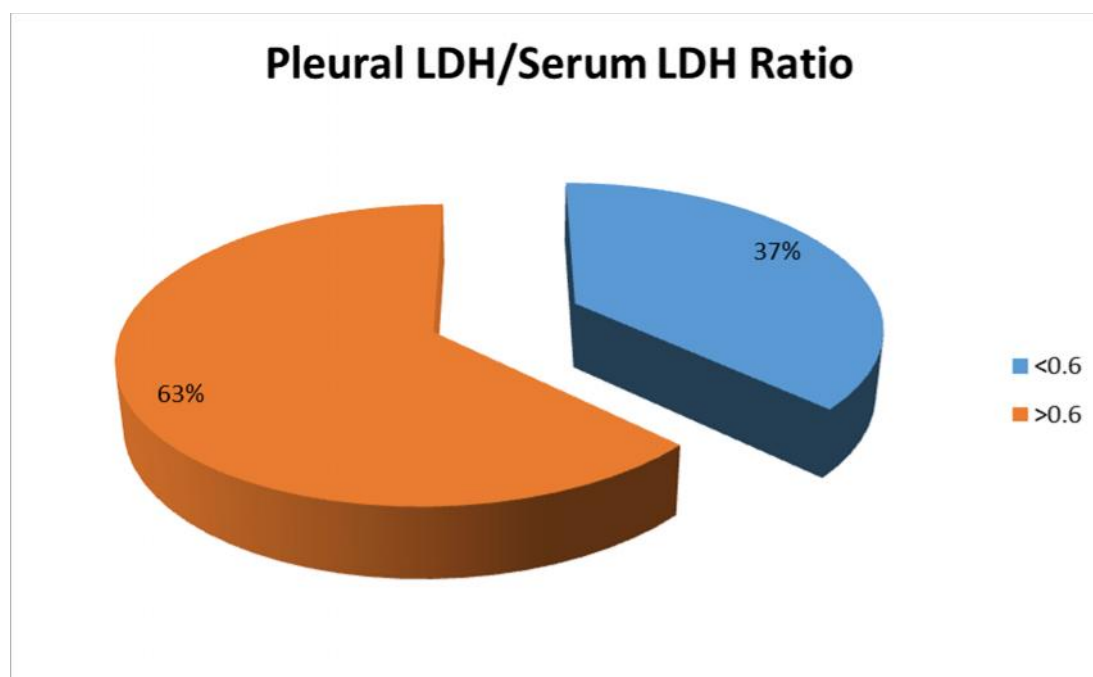


Mean Pleural LDH with different etiologies is depicted in the above table.

Table 17. Pleural LDH/ Serum LDH

| Pleural fluid LDH/serum LDH Ratio | Distribution (n=100)<br>Number | Distribution<br>Percentage |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <0.6                              | 37                             | 37                         |
| >0.6                              | 63                             | 63                         |
| Total                             | 100                            | 100.00                     |

Graph 17.

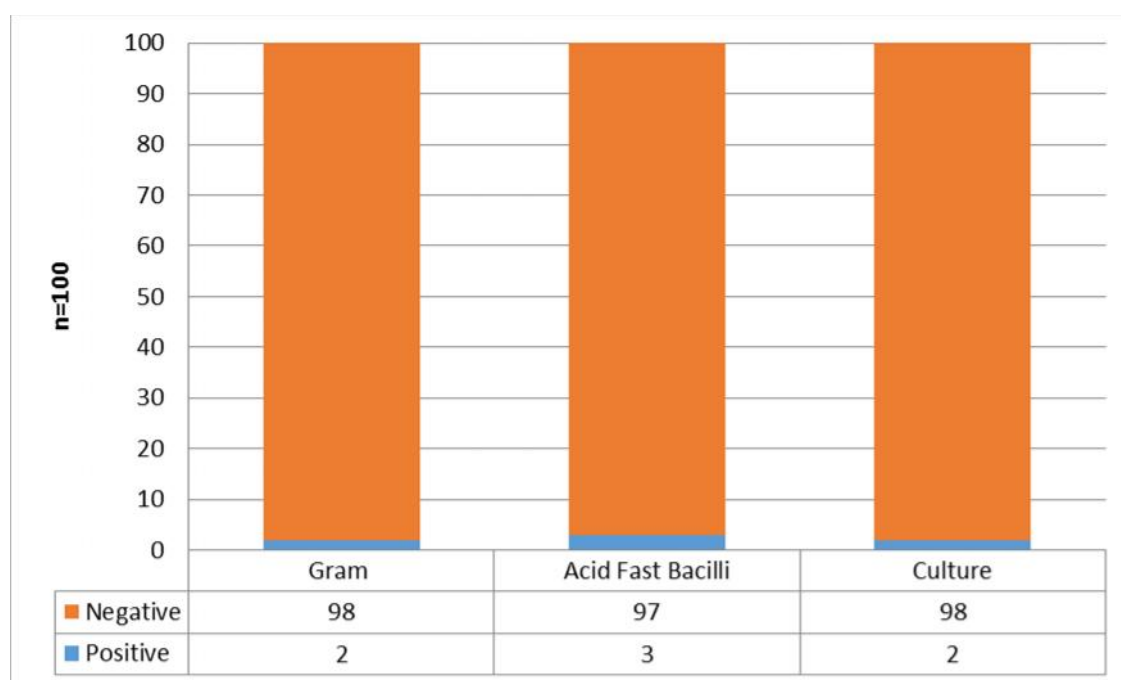


Ratio of Pleural LDH to Serum LDH was done , which revealed 63 patients(63%) with >0.6 and 37 patients (37%) with <0.6.

**Table 18. Pleural Fluid Gram Stain, Culture and AFB**

|                   | Positive | Negative | Total |
|-------------------|----------|----------|-------|
| <b>Gram Stain</b> | 2        | 98       | 100   |
| <b>Culture</b>    | 2        | 98       | 100   |
| <b>AFB</b>        | 3        | 97       | 100   |
|                   |          |          |       |

Graph 18.

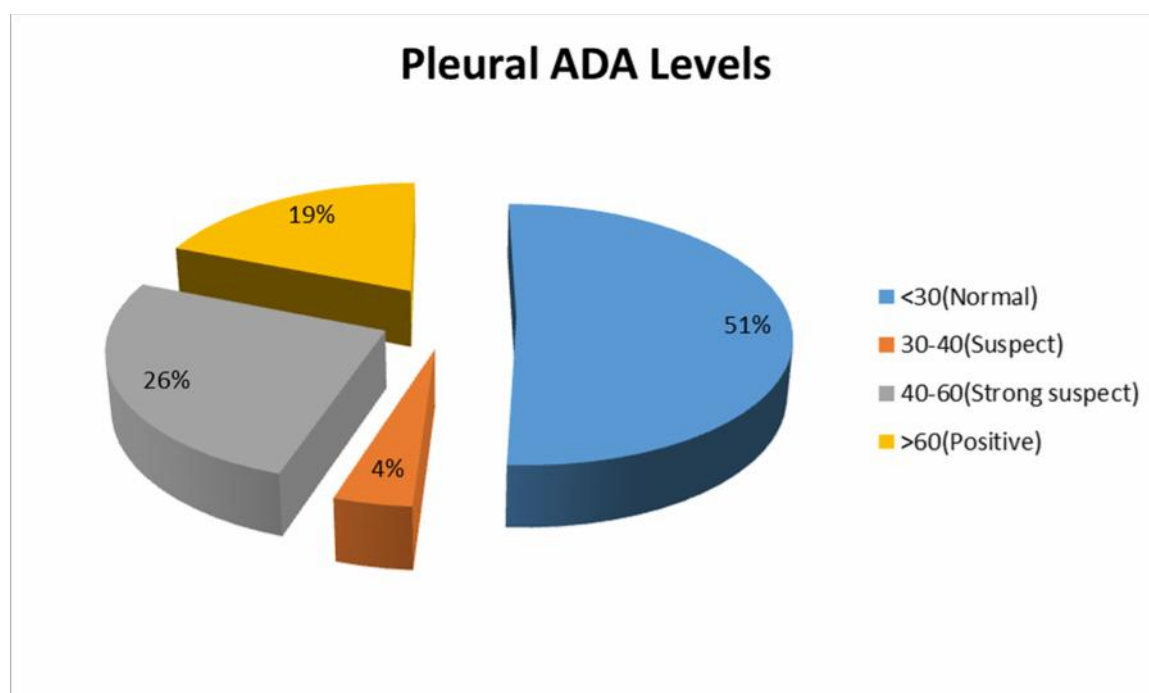


Pleural fluid gram stain, culture and Acid Fast Bacilli staining revealed, 2 patients (2%) were positive for gram staining (gram positive cocci), 2 patients (2%) were culture positive revealing *acinetobacter* and *klebsiella* and in only 3 patients (3%) Acid Fast Bacilli was positive.

**Table 19. Pleural Fluid Adenosine Deaminase (ADA)**

| Pleural ADA (U/L) Level | Distribution (n=100)<br>Number | Distribution Percentage |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <30                     | 51                             | 51                      |
| 30-40                   | 4                              | 4                       |
| 40-60                   | 26                             | 26                      |
| >60                     | 19                             | 19                      |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>100</b>                     | <b>100.00</b>           |

Graph 19.

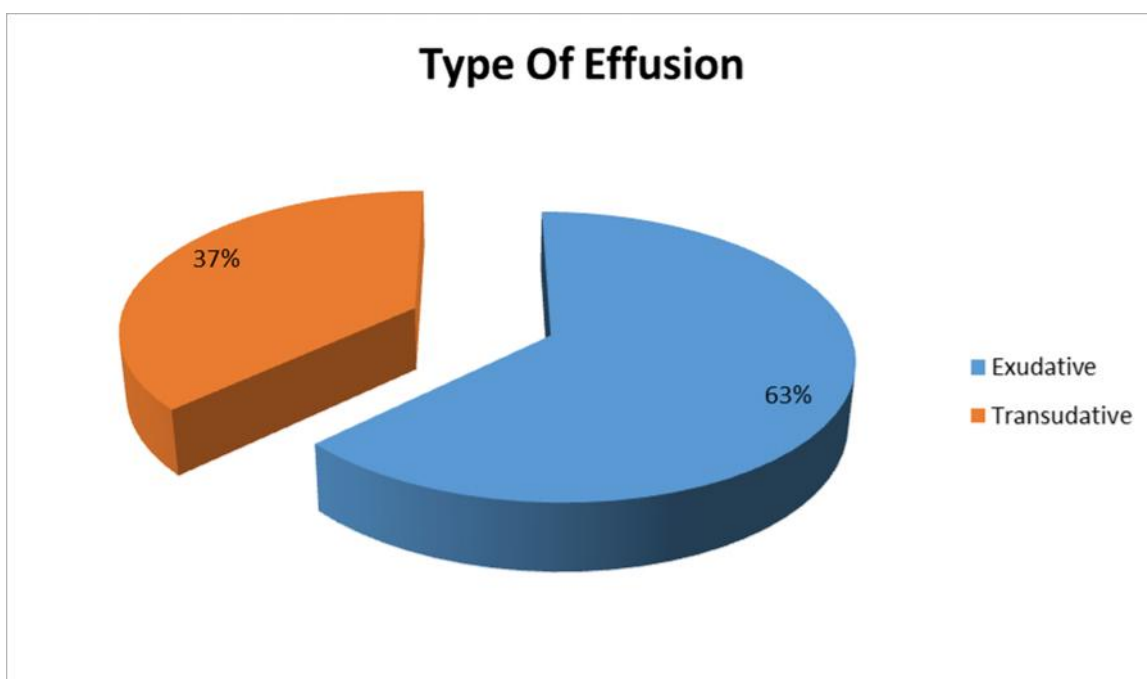


Pleural Fluid ADA estimation to suspect TB vs Non TB was done. Which revealed 51 patients (51%) had normal ranges of ADA, 4 patients (4%) had suspicion, 26 patients (26%) had strong suspicion and 19 patients (19%) were suggestive of Tuberculosis, as depicted in the above table.

**Table 20. Type of Effusion**

| Type of Effusion | Distribution Number (n=100) | Distribution Percentage (%) |
|------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Exudative        | 63                          | 63                          |
| Transudative     | 37                          | 37                          |
| Total            | 100                         | 100.00                      |
|                  |                             |                             |

Graph 20.

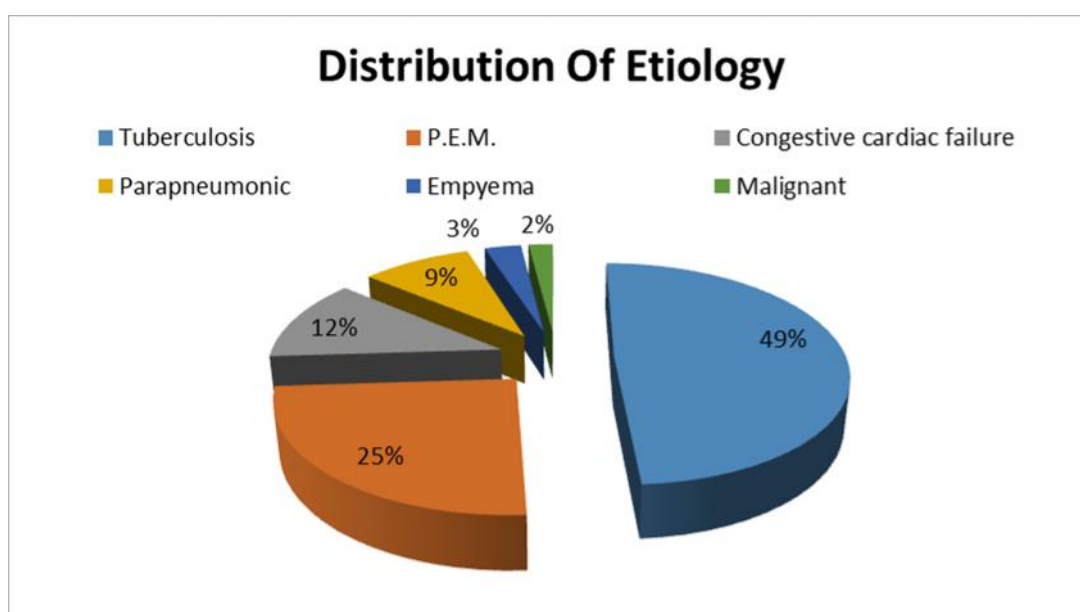


In our present study of 100 patients, 37 patients (37%) had Transudative Pleural Effusion and 63 patients (63%) had Exudative Pleural Effusion.

**Table 21. Etiology of Pleural Effusion**

| Etiology                          | Distribution number<br>(n=100) | Distribution Percentage<br>(%) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Tubercular</b>                 | 49                             | 49                             |
| <b>P.E.M.</b>                     | 25                             | 25                             |
| <b>Congestive Cardiac Failure</b> | 12                             | 12                             |
| <b>Parapneumonic</b>              | 9                              | 9                              |
| <b>Empyema</b>                    | 3                              | 3                              |
| <b>Malignant</b>                  | 2                              | 2                              |
| <b>Total</b>                      | 100                            | 100.00                         |

Graph 21.



In our present study of 100 patients of Pleural Effusion, 63 were exudative effusions of which revealed 49 patients (49%) were Tubercular Effusion, 9 patients (9%) were Para pneumonic Effusion, 3 patients (3%) were Empyema and only 2 patients (2%) with malignant pleural effusion.

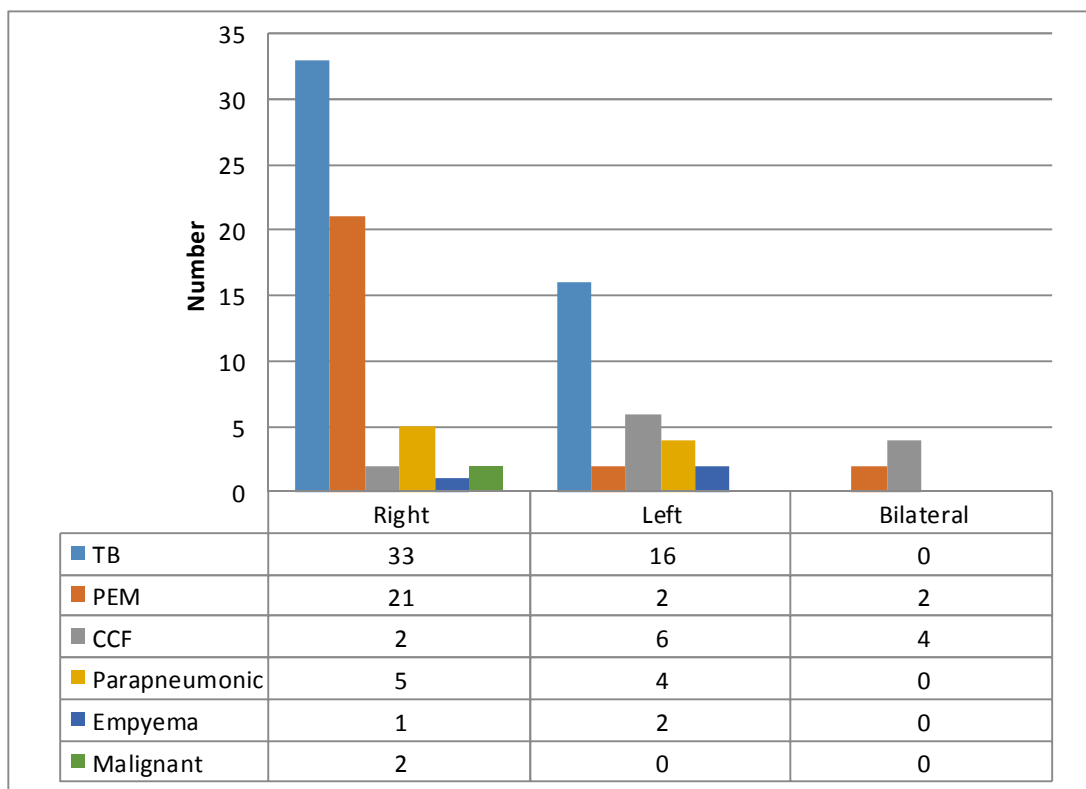
Remaining 37 patients had Transudative Effusion, causes are depicted in the above table.

**Table 22: Comparison of Side of Pleural Effusion with Etiology**

| <b>Etiology</b> | <b>Number<br/>(n=100)</b> | <b>Right Sided<br/>(n=64)</b> | <b>Left Sided<br/>(n=30)</b> | <b>Bilateral<br/>(n=6)</b> | <b>P value</b> |
|-----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| TB              | (n=49)                    | 33 (51.56%)                   | 16 (53.33%)                  | 0 (0%)                     | 0.002          |
| P.E.M.          | (n=25)                    | 21 (32.81%)                   | 2 (6.67%)                    | 2 (33.33%)                 |                |
| CCF             | (n=12)                    | 2 (3.12%)                     | 6 (20%)                      | 4 (66.67%)                 |                |
| Parapneumonic   | (n=9)                     | 5 (7.81%)                     | 4 (13.33%)                   | 0 (0%)                     |                |
| Empyema         | (n=3)                     | 1 (1.56%)                     | 2 (6.67%)                    | 0 (0%)                     |                |
| Malignant       | (n=2)                     | 2 (3.12%)                     | 0 (0%)                       | 0 (0%)                     |                |
| <b>Total</b>    |                           | <b>64</b>                     | <b>30</b>                    | <b>6</b>                   |                |

P value = 0.002

Graph 22.



In our study of 100 patients, we observed the correlation of side of pleural effusion with etiology as depicted in the above table.

**Table 23: Comparison of pleural ADA with age group (N=100)**

| Age<br>(in years) | Pleural ADA       |                    |                     |                   | Chi<br>square | P-value |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|---------|
|                   | <30 ADA<br>(N=51) | 31-40 ADA<br>(N=4) | 41-60 ADA<br>(N=26) | >60 ADA<br>(N=19) |               |         |
| <b>&lt;30</b>     | 9 (17.6%)         | 0 (0%)             | 1 (3.8%)            | 7 (36.8%)         | 30.54         | 0.002   |
| <b>31-40</b>      | 18 (35.3%)        | 1 (25%)            | 4 (15.4%)           | 2 (10.5%)         |               |         |
| <b>41-50</b>      | 6 (11.8%)         | 0 (0%)             | 4 (15.4%)           | 6 (31.6%)         |               |         |
| <b>51-60</b>      | 11 (21.6%)        | 0 (0%)             | 6 (23.1%)           | 2 (10.5%)         |               |         |
| <b>&gt;60</b>     | 7 (13.7%)         | 3 (75%)            | 11 (42.3%)          | 2 (10.5%)         |               |         |

P value = 0.002

Above table depicts the influence of age on Pleural ADA.

**Table 24: Comparison of pleural ADA with pleural LDH (N=100)**

| Pleural LDH                   | Pleural ADA |           |            |            | Chi square | P-value |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|---------|
|                               | <30 ADA     | 31-40 ADA | 41-60 ADA  | >60 ADA    |            |         |
| <b>&gt;222 LDH<br/>(N=63)</b> | 15 (23.8%)  | 3 (4.8%)  | 26 (41.3%) | 19 (30.2%) | 51.35      | <0.001  |
| <b>&lt;222 LDH<br/>(N=37)</b> | 36 (97.3%)  | 1 (2.7%)  | 0 (0%)     | 0 (0%)     |            |         |

P value = <0.001

The above table depicts the correlation between Pleural ADA and Pleural Fluid LDH.

## DISCUSSION

In the present study of 100 patients with pleural effusion clinical and etiological factors were analyzed and an attempt was made to diagnose the cause of pleural effusion.

All 100 patients who presented with pleural effusion their age ranged from 18 to 84 years. Maximum number of cases were in the age group of 31-40 i.e. 26 patients (26%). Similar observations were made by Parikh P et al<sup>43</sup> and Shah H. This is in sharp contrast to study done by Dhital KR et al who found effusion common in 21- 30 years of age in their study group.

In our study there was a male preponderance with a male to female ratio of 2.125 to 1 (68 males,32 females).This observation is similar to study done by Parikh P et al<sup>43</sup> and Manu Mohan K et al<sup>45</sup> This is in sharp contrast to a study done by Dhital KR et al who found male to female ratio of 1:1.08(48 males, 52 females).

Majority of our patients presented with illness of < 1month duration, i.e. 73 patients (73%),15 patients (15%) between 1 to 3 months and only 12 patients (12%) >3 months. This is in sharp contrast to Manu Mohan K et al<sup>45</sup>

In our study of 100 patients, patients presented with different clinical presentations like chest pain, fever, cough, breathlessness and overlapping symptoms. 74 patients (74%) had overlapping symptoms, fever was seen (7%), breathlessness (12%) cough (5%) remaining were having pleuritic chest pain (2%). Similar observations were made by Dhital KR et al and Parikh P et al.<sup>43</sup>

In our present study, patients had overlapping co-morbiditiesand other co-morbidities depicted in table number 5.This is in sharp contrast to study done by Parikh P et al.<sup>43</sup>

In our study we noticed majority i.e. 64 patients (64%) had Right sided effusion, 30 patients (30%) had Left sided effusion 6 (6%) were Bilateral. Similar observation was made by Dhital KR et al.

In our 100 patients we tried to categorize the size of pleural effusion based on x ray chest finding and we found mild effusion in 30 patients (30%) moderate in 42 patients (42%), massive in 28 patients (28%). This is in sharp contrast to a study done by Berger et al who observed mild to moderate in majority and massive in only 2.

In 95 patients the gross appearance of pleural effusion was yellow (dark yellow 58, pale yellow 37), hemorrhagic in 2 patients (2%), both were malignant (mesotheliomas) and frank pus in 3 patients (3%). Color of effusion in most of the cases is diagnostic. In all our patients of tubercular effusion, color was dark yellow, pale yellow in patients with transudative effusion and patients with malignancy it was hemorrhagic. This is in sharp contrast to study done by Manu Mohan K et al<sup>45</sup> who found straw colored as well as hemorrhagic in their patients with tubercular effusion and also some patients with straw color with malignancy.

In our study we observed the cell count ranging from <200 to >5000 which is depicted in table number 9. Further attempt was made to see the type of cell. We found majority i.e. 71 patients (71%) had lymphocytic predominance of which 49 were tubercular effusion. 27 patients (27%) had neutrophilic predominance of which 9 were parapneumonic, 3 were empyemas. Books mention lymphocytic or neutrophilic predominance may be observed in transudative effusion and also neutrophilic predominance in the early phase of tubercular effusion.

On analyzing Pleural fluid protein, majority of patients i.e. 65 patients (65%) had >2g/dl and remaining had <2g/dl (35 patients 35%). A study done by Dhital KR et al found mean protein of >3g/dl in Tubercular, malignant and parapneumonic

effusions, and  $<3\text{g/dl}$  in Congestive cardiac failure and renal disease. Our study of 100 patients we observed  $>4\text{g/dl}$  of mean protein in tubercular, malignant, empyema and parapneumonic effusion, and  $<2\text{g/dl}$  in Protein Energy Malnutrition and congestive cardiac failure.

We also attempted analyzing by Light's criteria the Pleural fluid protein to serum protein ratio and found to have 63 patients (63%) had ratio  $>0.5$  and remaining 37 patients (37%) had ratio  $<0.5$ . Almost all studies done by Valdes et al<sup>46</sup>, Ram KN et al and Parikh P et al<sup>43</sup> have found the ratio of Pleural fluid protein to serum protein of  $>0.5$  in their patients.

Pleural fluid glucose estimation revealed 52 patients (52%) had  $>60\text{g/dl}$  and 48 patients (48%) had  $<60\text{g/dl}$ . Similar observations were made by Fa Al- Alusi et al. In our study group all patients with diabetes mellitus the pleural fluid glucose more than  $90\text{g/dl}$  and in 1 patient it was  $>300\text{g/dl}$ . In 1 patient with empyema and Diabetes Mellitus the pleural fluid glucose was  $<40\text{g/dl}$ .

Attempt to analyze Pleural fluid LDH, 64 patients (64%) had  $>222$  LDH levels and 36 patients (36%)  $<222$  LDH levels. Mean pleural LDH was 309. The mean Pleural fluid LDH was more in parapneumonic, empyema and malignant effusion whereas in tubercular effusion it was more but not grossly elevated as observed in the study by Dhital KR et al. In all of their patients it was  $>1000$  in patients with exudative effusions.

By Light's criteria, pleural fluid LDH to serum LDH ratio revealed 63 patients (63%) had  $>0.6$  and 37 patients (37%) had  $<0.6$ . Similar observations were made by Valdes et al<sup>46</sup>, Ram KN et al and Parikh P et al.<sup>43</sup>

We observed by doing pleural fluid gram stain, culture and AFB and found to have only 2 patients (2%) had gram stain positive (Gram positive cocci), Culture

positive in 2 patients (Acinetobacter baumannii & Klebsiella) and AFB positive in 3 patients (3%), which is depicted in Table number 18. A study done by Manu Mohan K et al<sup>45</sup> found similar observations in their study group. But none of their study found smear positive for acid fast bacilli and culture positive. probably because of era being of antibiotics and patients might have received antibiotics prior to hospital admission.

In our study pleural fluid ADA revealed in 19 patients (19%) had >60U/L, the remaining levels are depicted in table number 19. All patients having >60U/L (19 patients) were tubercular effusions. Similar observations were made by Dhital KR et al and Jindal S et al.<sup>47</sup>

We tried to categorize patients of effusion as exudative and transudative. 63 patients (63%) had exudative, remaining were transudative. Patients with exudative effusions were tubercular 49, parapneumonic 9, empyema 3, malignant 2 and remaining 37 patients with transudative effusion were 25 Protein Energy Malnutrition, 12 Congestive Cardiac Failure. Similar observations were made by Valdes et al<sup>46</sup> and Parikh P et al<sup>43</sup>.

We also tried to find out side of effusion with etiology. Patient with right sided effusion 64 (64%), majority had tubercular (33), followed by PEM (21) and parapneumonic (5). In patients with left sided effusion (30), 16 were tubercular 6 were CCF, 4 were Parapneumonic. Details of other etiologies with side of effusion has been depicted in table number 22. Similar observations were made by Manu Mohan K et al<sup>45</sup> and Dhital KR et al.<sup>53</sup>

We also found positive correlation of ADA with advancing age. Same observations were made by Tunn Ray et al<sup>48</sup> This is explained by immunosenescence leading to decreased ADA levels with advancing age.

We also found a positive correlation between Pleural ADA and Pleural LDH .Similar observation was made by Kashibawara et al<sup>49</sup> and Tunn Ren et al<sup>48</sup>

In our present study of 100 patients with pleural effusion, the most common presentation was with overlapping symptoms (fever, cough, breathlessness and chest pain). In our study we observed the common age group with effusion was between 31 to 40 years. Patients with ADA >60 U/L were in the age group of <30 years (7 patients) and between 41 to 50 years (6 patients). All were Tubercular effusions. In our 100 patients of pleural effusion the side of effusion was on the right side, left side and bilaterally. Majority of patients with right sided effusion were exudative effusions, tuberculosis was the commonest cause followed by parapneumonic effusions. Patients with left sided effusion commonest cause was tuberculosis again. Patients with Bilateral effusion the commonest cause was congestive cardiac failure. And on further analysis of pleural fluid for cytology, revealed patients with lymphocytic predominance, tuberculosis was the commonest cause and in patients with neutrophilic predominance parapneumonic effusion was the commonest cause. 2 patients were malignant effusion (mesothelioma). Simple ADA estimation helped us to categorize patients as Tubercular vs Non tubercular , however with increasing age , levels were low probably by mechanism of immunosenescence with advancing age . Correlating Pleural Fluid ADA with Pleural LDH we found statistically significant correlation. In patients with Pleural LDH >222 had also Pleural ADA of >60 U/L, and patients with LDH <222 none had Pleural ADA >60U/L.

We feel with simple investigations which are done in most of the hospitals, like pleural fluid, protein, sugar, ADA, LDH and Pleural fluid cytology we can arrive at diagnosis whether it is tuberculosis or non tuberculosis. Light's criteria helps to distinguish whether fluid is transudative or exudative with further analysis of fluid for

cytology gram stain, culture and acid fast bacilli would help to arrive at a final diagnosis. We did not attempt Pleural biopsy in our study population as it's an invasive procedure with antecedent complications. In most of our patients we could arrive at a diagnosis with simple means of Lab parameters carried out for patients which is discussed above. But it may be necessary to subject patients for pleural biopsy in difficult situations like in patients of malignancy with lymphocytic pleocytosis. In our study only 3 were smear positive for Acid fast bacilli (3/100) and 2 were positive for malignancy (mesotheliomas).

## **CONCLUSION**

In our present study of 100 patients with Pleural Effusion the commonest age group was between 31 to 40 years followed by > 60 years. The commonest etiology in the age group 31 to 40 years was Tubercular and Parapneumonic effusions, whereas in patients of >60 years again Tubercular was the commonest etiology and 1 was malignancy (mesothelioma). Males were more in our study group as compared to females, malignancy was observed in 2 patients both were females. In majority of our patients duration of illness was less than 1month. Most of our patients presented with overlapping symptoms. Majority of our patients had co-morbid conditions. All our patients with retroviral disease had tubercular effusions. Patients with Diabetes Mellitus, most of them had Tubercular effusions.

Patients with Heart conditions (Ischemic Heart Disease and Rheumatic Heart Disease) none had tubercular effusion. Patients with Chronic Liver Disease, Heart Conditions and Renal diseases had transudative effusions. Majority of our patients had Right sided effusions. Most of our patients had moderate to massive effusions. Fluid analysis revealed exudative effusions in most of the patients, of which majority were tubercular effusions followed by parapneumonic effusions. Most of the patients cell count ranged from 200 to 5000. Majority of the patients, lymphocytic predominance was observed followed by neutrophilic predominance.

Lymphocytic predominance was common in Tubercular effusions while neutrophilic was common in parapneumonic effusions and empyema. Most of the patients had protein more than 2g/dl. Increased proteins were observed in Tubercular effusions, Empyema, Parapneumonic effusions and malignancy. Light's criteria revealed majority of patients had ratio of more than 0.5. Gram stain was positive only in 2 of our patients so was culture positive (2 patients) and Acid fast bacilli was

positive in 3 patients. Most of the patients ADA was elevated which helped to categorize our patients as tubercular vs non tubercular. Side of effusion did not have significance to diagnose the cause of effusion, but in patients with Congestive cardiac failure effusion was bilateral.

Owing to a small sample size of 100 patients we feel it is worth to study by adjusting variables like age, sex, duration of illness , side of effusion and co-morbidities, to see whether these factors have any effect on etiologies. In most of our patients by simple means like Pleural fluid analysis for protein, sugar, cytology, LDH and ADA we could arrive at a diagnosis in all our 100 patients. Most of the centers especially peripherals do not have facilities for higher modalities of investigations. These simple measures would help to arrive at a diagnosis. In difficult situations, it may be required to subject patients for further study by Computed tomography, Pleural Biopsy and other modalities of investigations. To address these issues, a larger sample size may be needed.

## **SUMMARY**

In the present study of 100 patients with Pleural Effusion admitted in Department of Medicine, KLES Dr. Prabhakar Kore Hospital and Medical Research Centre in the study period from January 2017 to December 2017 was undertaken to find the etiology of Pleural Effusion.

The results observed on analysing the pleural fluid were majority of patients with exudative effusions of which most of the patients were tubercular followed by Parapneumonic effusions.

There was a positive correlation between Pleural LDH and Pleural ADA, and Pleural ADA with advancing age.

However we did not find significant correlations with factors like age, sex, duration of illness, side of effusion and size of effusion.

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## **INFORMED CONSENT**

**TITLE OF RESEARCH AND STUDY: “CLINICAL AND ETIOLOGICAL STUDY OF PLEURAL EFFUSION, ONE YEAR LONGITUDINAL STUDY”**

**Principal Investigator:-**

**Dr. \_\_\_\_\_**

**Post Graduate Student,**

**Department Of General Medicine,**

**JNMC, Belgaum.**

**Guide:-**

**Dr. \_\_\_\_\_**

**Professor & Head of Unit,**

**Department of General Medicine,**

**JNMC, Belgaum.**

**Introduction and Purpose:-**This research is intended to study clinically pleural effusion and etiology of pleural effusion. The principal investigator of the study is Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ under the guidance of Dr. \_\_\_\_\_, This study is intended for early diagnosis of pleural effusion and knowing the etiology for helping in early therapeutic approach.

**Procedure:**

If you agree to be part of the research study, you will be asked the relevant history and will be subjected to relevant clinical examination and investigations. You will also have to give blood and sputum samples for the necessary investigations.

**Risk and Benefits:**

The only risk and possible discomfort you might get is while doing thoracocentesis for pleural fluid analysis. It may cause pain, at the site where the tapping is done.

You may/may not be benefitted by these investigations but you will be part of this study which is going to be useful to others in the future.

**Alternatives:**

Taking part in this study is voluntary. You may choose not to take part in this study. If you decide to take part you can later change your mind and withdraw from the study. Your decision will not change the present or future health care. If you choose not to take part in the study, you will receive the standard treatment for patients with your condition.

**Privacy and Confidentiality:**

All information collected about you during the course of this study will be kept confidential to the extent permitted by law. The code numbers will identify you in this research record. Information from this study may be published but your identity will be confidential in any publication.

**Institution / Sponsor's policy:**

Does not apply to this research

**Financial incentives for participation:**

You will not be paid / offered any gifts /incentives for participating in the study.

**Authorization to publish the results:**

The results of the study would be forwarded to the KLE University, Belgaum as part of requirement towards the completion of MD degree, review and publishing.

**In case of the queries during study or in future you may contact following persons,**

1. DR. \_\_\_\_\_  
Professor & Head,  
Dept. of Pathology, J.N. Medical College,  
K.L.E. University, Belgaum - 10

2. Dr. \_\_\_\_\_  
Professor & Head of Unit,  
Dept of General Medicine,  
JNMC, Belgaum.

3. Dr. \_\_\_\_\_  
Investigator,  
PG in General Medicine,  
JNMC, Belgaum.

**CONSENT FORM**

I voluntarily agree to take part in this study by signing below. I may withdraw at any time. I am not giving up any of my legal rights by signing this form. My signature below indicates that I have read this consent form, or it has been read to me and has been explained to me in my vernacular language and all my questions have been answered. I will be given a copy of this consent form.

Signature / Left Thumb print of the Participant or legally authorized representative

Participant's name :.....

Signature / Left thumb impression :.....

of the participant

Name of the legally authorized :.....

representative / guardian

Signature / Left thumb impression :.....

Witness' name :.....

Signature / Left thumb impression :.....

Investigator's name and signature :.....

Date:

Place:

ತಿಳುವಳಿಕೆ ಒಪ್ಪಿಗೆ ಪತ್ರ

ಸಂಶೋಧನೆಯ ಶಿರ್ಷಿಕೆ : ಒಂದು ವರ್ಷದ ಎದೆಗೂಡಿನ ಪೊರೆ ಪ್ರವಾಹ ಮತ್ತು ಊಹಾತ್ಮಕ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಅಧ್ಯಯನ.

ಮುಖ್ಯ ಸಂಶೋಧಕರು:-

ಡಾ.

ಸ್ನಾತಕೋತ್ತರ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ವಿದಾರ್ಥಿ

ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ಔಷಧಿಗಳ ವಿಭಾಗ

ಜೆ.ಎನ್.ಎಮ್.ಸಿ, ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ

ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶಕರು:-

ಡಾ.

ಪ್ರಧಾನಪಕರು ಮತ್ತು ತಂಡದ ಮುಖ್ಯಸ್ಥರು

ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ಔಷಧಿಗಳ ವಿಭಾಗ

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ಸಂಶೋಧನೆಯ ಪರಿಚಯ ಮತ್ತು ಉದ್ದೇಶ :-

ಈ ಸಂಶೋಧನೆಯ ಉದ್ದೇಶ ಎದೆಗೂಡಿನ ಪೊರೆ ಪ್ರವಾಹ ಮತ್ತು ಕಾರಣಗಳನ್ನು ಅಧ್ಯಯನ ಮಾಡುವುದು. ಡಾ. ವಿಜಯ ಜಿ. ಸೋಮನ್ನವರ ಇವರ ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶನದಲ್ಲಿ ಡಾ. ರಿಶಿ ರಾಮನ ಸಂಶೋಧನೆ ಮಾಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಎದೆಗೂಡಿನ ಪೊರೆ ಪ್ರವಾಹಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರಣಗಳನ್ನು ಅತಿ ಬೇಗನೆ ತಪಾಸಣೆಯ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿದುಕೊಂಡು ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಚಿಕಿತ್ಸೆಯನ್ನು ನೀಡುವುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ವಿಧಾನ:-

ನೀವು ಈ ಸಂಶೋಧನೆಯ ಭಾಗವಾಗಲು ಒಪ್ಪಿಕೊಂಡಲ್ಲಿ ನಿಮಗೆ ಖಾಯಿಲೆಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಕೇಳಲಾಗುವುದು ಹಾಗೂ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ತಪಾಸಣೆಗೆ ಒಳಪಡಬೇಕಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಇದರ ಜೊತೆಗೆ ನೀವು ನಿಮ್ಮ ರಕ್ತ ಹಾಗೂ ಕಫದ ಮಾದರಿಯನ್ನು ನೀಡಬೇಕಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

ಅನುಕೂಲ ಹಾಗೂ ಅನಾನುಕೂಲತೆಗಳೂ :-

ಈ ಸಂಶೋಧನೆಯ ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಆಗುವ ಏಕೈಕ ಅನಾನುಕೂಲತೆಯೆಂದರೆ ತಪಾಸಣಾ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಆಗುವ ನೋವು, ಆದರೆ ಇದು ನಿಮಗೆ ನೋವಾಗಿ ಕಂಡರೂ ಮುಂದಿನ ಪೀಳಿಗೆಗೆ ಈ ಸಂಶೋಧನೆಯು ತೊಂಬಾ ಲಾಭದಾಯಕವಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಪರ್ಯಾಯಗಳು :-

ಈ ಸಂಶೋಧನಾ ಅಧ್ಯಯನದಲ್ಲಿ ನೀವು ಸ್ವ ಇಚ್ಛೆಯಿಂದ ಮತ್ತು ಒಪ್ಪಿಗೆಯಿಂದ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು ಅಥವಾ ನಿರಾಕರಿಸಲೂಬಹುದು. ಒಂದು ವೇಳೆ ನೀವು ಸಂಶೋಧನೆಯ ಭಾಗವಾಗಲು ಒಪ್ಪಿಕೊಂಡು ನಂತರದ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಮನಸ್ಸು ಬದಲಾಯಿಸಿದರೆ ನೀವು ಇದರಿಂದ ಹೊರಬರಬಹುದು. ನಿಮ್ಮ ಈ ನಿರ್ಧಾರವು ನಿಮಗೆ ಈಗ ದೊರೆಯುತ್ತಿರುವ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಹಾಗೂ ಇನ್ನಿತರ ಸೇವೆಗಳ ಮೇಲೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ಪ್ರಭಾವ ಬೀರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಹಾಗೂ ನಿಮಗೂ ಸಹ ಇತರ ರೋಗಿಗಳಂತೆ ನಿಮಗಿರುವ ಖಾಯಿಲೆಗನುಸಾರವಾಗಿ ಚಿಕಿತ್ಸೆ ದೊರೆಯುವುದು.

ಗೌಪ್ಯತೆ :-

ಸಂಶೋಧನೆಯ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಿಸಿರುವ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಮಾಹಿತಿಯನ್ನು ಕಾನೂನುಗನುಸಾರವಾಗಿ ಗೌಪ್ಯವಾಗಿಡಲಾಗುವುದು. ಎಲ್ಲಿಯೂ ನಿಮ್ಮ ಹೆಸರು ಪ್ರಕಟವಾಗದೇ ನಿಮ್ಮನ್ನು ಗೌಪ್ಯ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆಯಿಂದ ಗುರುತಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು. ಮುಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಸಂಶೋಧನಾ ವರದಿಯು ಪ್ರಕಟಗೊಂಡಾಗಲೂ ಸಹ ನಿಮ್ಮ ಹೆಸರನ್ನು ಗೌಪ್ಯವಾಗಿಡಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಅಥವಾ ಪ್ರಾಯೋಜಕರ ನೀತಿಗಳು :-

ಅನ್ವಯವಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಪೋಷಾಹ ಧನ :-

ನಿಮಗೆ ಈ ಸಂಶೋಧನೆಯ ಭಾಗವಾಗಲು ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಹಣ, ಉಡುಗೊರೆಯನ್ನು ನೀಡಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಫಲಿತಾಂಶ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲು ಇರುವ ಅಧಿಕಾರಗಳು :-

ಈ ಸಂಶೋಧನೆಯ ಫಲಿತಾಂಶವನ್ನು ಕೆ.ಎಲ್.ಇ. ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ಇವರಿಗೆ ಎಮ್.ಡಿ. ಪದವಿ ಪೂರ್ಣಗೊಳಿಸಲು, ವಿಮರ್ಶಿಸಲು ಹಾಗೂ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲು ಕಳುಹಿಸಿಕೊಡಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಸಂಶೋಧನೆಯ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಥವಾ ಮುಂದೆ ಯಾವುದಾದರೂ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳು ಅಥವಾ ಅನುಮಾನಗಳಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನವರನ್ನು ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

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| <p>ಡಾ.<br/>ಪ್ರಧ್ಯಾಪಕರು ಮತ್ತು ಮುಖ್ಯಸ್ಥರು<br/>ಪ್ಯಾರಾಫೋಲಾಜಿ ವಿಭಾಗ<br/>ಜೆ.ಎನ್.ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಕಾಲೇಜು<br/>ಕೆ.ಎಲ್.ಇ. ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ</p> | <p>ಡಾ.<br/>ಪ್ರಧ್ಯಾಪಕರು ಮತ್ತು ತಂಡದ ಮುಖ್ಯಸ್ಥರು<br/>ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ಔಷಧಿಗಳ ವಿಭಾಗ<br/>ಜೆ.ಎನ್.ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಕಾಲೇಜು<br/>ಕೆ.ಎಲ್.ಇ. ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ</p> |
| <p>ಡಾ.<br/>ಸಂಶೋಧಕರು<br/>ಸ್ನಾತಕೋತ್ತರ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ವಿದಾರ್ಥಿ<br/>ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ಔಷಧಿಗಳ ವಿಭಾಗ<br/>ಜೆ.ಎನ್.ಎಮ್.ಸಿ, ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ</p>                      |   |

### ಸಮ್ಮತಿ ಪತ್ರ

ನಾನು ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಸಹಿ ಮಾಡಿ ಸ್ವಚ್ಛೆಯಿಂದ ಅಭ್ಯಾಸದಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಲು ಒಪ್ಪಿಕೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತೇನೆ. ನಾನು ಯಾವುದೇ ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲಿ ನನ್ನ ಒಪ್ಪಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ಹಿಂದೆ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ನಾನು ಈ ಸಮ್ಮತಿ ಪತ್ರಕ್ಕೆ ಸಹಿ ಮಾಡುವುದರಿಂದ ನನಗೆ ಲಭ್ಯವಿರುವ ಕಾನೂನಿನ ಯಾವುದೇ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳನ್ನು ಜಿಜ್ಞಾಸಿಸುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಕೆಳಗೆ ನಾನು ಸಹಿ ಮಾಡಿರುವುದರ ಅರ್ಥ ಏನೆಂದರೆ ಮೇಲಿನ ವಿಷಯ ಓದಿ ಅಥವಾ ಓದಿಸಿ ಕೇಳಿ ಪೂರ್ಣ ಸಮ್ಮತಿ ಪತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಎಲ್ಲ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಉತ್ತರಿಸಿರುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಭಾಗವಹಿಸುವವರ ಹೆಸರು

ಸಹಿ/ಹೆಚ್ಚುರಳನ ಗುರುತು

ಸಾಕ್ಷಿಯ ಹೆಸರು

ಸಹಿ/ಹೆಚ್ಚುರಳನ ಗುರುತು

ಸಂಶೋಧಕರ ಹೆಸರು

ಸಹಿ

ದಿನಾಂಕ:

ಸ್ಥಳ:

माहिती मिळाल्यानंतर दिलेली सहमती

संशोधनाच्या अभ्यासाचे नांव :

छातीमध्ये पाणी साचण्याच्या रोगाचा वैद्यकिय दृष्टिकोणातून केलेला शास्त्रोक्त अभ्यास- एक वर्णाचा संशोधन अभ्यास-

मुख्य संशोधक: डॉ.

पोस्ट ग्रॅज्युएट विद्यार्थी  
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मार्गदर्शक : डॉ.

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※ प्रस्थावना व उद्देश :

वैद्यकिय दृष्टिकोनातून छातीमध्ये पाणी होवून साचण्याचा आणि असे पाणी उत्पन्न होण्याची कारणे याच्या अभ्यासासाठी हे संशोधन आहे. या अभ्यासाचे प्रमुख संशोधक डॉ. ऋषी रामन व त्यांना मार्गदर्शन करणारे डॉ. विजय जी. सोमनवर हे आहेत.

हा अभ्यासक्रम प्राथमिक अवस्थेत छातीमध्ये पाणी साचण्याच्या रोगावरील कारणे शोधून त्याचे प्राथमिक अवस्थेत रोग निवारण कारणाच्या औषधोपचारचा आहे.

पध्दत :-

जर का तुम्ही या संशोधनात सहभागी होणार असाल तर, तुम्हास तुमच्या संबंधीची माहिती व पूर्व इतिहास विचारण्यात येईल व वैद्यकिय दृष्टिकोणातून शारीरिक तपासणी करून त्यासंबंधी संशोधन करण्यात येईल. या संशोधनासाठी

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तुमचा रक्ताचा व थुंकीचा नमुना घेणे जरुरीचे असेल व तो घेऊन त्याची योग्य अशी तपासणी केली जाईल.

\* धोके व फायदे:-

या अभ्यास संशोधनासाठी तुमच्या छातीमधील तरल पदार्थाचा नमुना घेण्यात येतो. व त्यावेळी तुम्हास ज्याठिकाणी कोदरण्याची क्रिया केली जाईल व त्यामुळे त्या भागामध्ये त्रास व वेदना होवून कळा येतील.

या तपासणीमुळे/ संशोधनामुळे तुम्हास कोणता फायदा होईल किंवा नाही हे आम्हांस सांगता येत नाही. परंतु हा एक अभ्यासाचा भाग आहे आणि भविष्यात या संशोधनाचा उपयोग इतरांना होणार आहे.

\*पर्याय :-

या संशोधन अभ्यासामध्ये तुम्ही स्वतःहून सहभागी होवू शकता. तुम्ही या अभ्यासक्रमामध्ये सहभागी होत नाही असे सुध्दा सांगू शकता. जर का तुम्ही स्वतःहून या अभ्यासक्रमात सहभागी झाला असाल तर व नंतर तुमच्या मनात तुमचे नांव या अभ्यासक्रमातून काढून घेऊ इच्छित असाल तर ते सुध्दा तुम्ही करू शकता. या तुमच्या निर्णयामुळे तुम्हास भविष्यात मिळणारी वैद्यकीय मदत किंवा सेवा यावर कोणताही परीणाम होणार नाही.

हा अभ्यासक्रम कोणत्याही वेळी संशोधक करणारे डॉक्टर किंवा या कार्यक्रमाचे प्रयोजक हे हा अभ्यासक्रम बंद करू शकतात. जर तुम्ही या अभ्यासात सहभागी होत नसाल तरी सुध्दा तुम्हास या ठिकाणी योग्य ते संपूर्ण वैद्यकीय उपचार मिळतील.

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\* गुप्तता :-

या संशोधनामध्ये तुमच्या संदर्भात मिळवलेली माहिती ही कायद्याच्या तरतुदीनुसार गुप्त ठेवण्यात येईल. या संशोधन अभ्यासक्रमामध्ये तुम्हास कोड नंबर देवून तुमची ओळख केली जाईल. या अभ्यासक्रमामध्ये मिळवलेली माहिती प्रसिध्द केली जाईल. परंतु तुमचे नांव व सहभाग हा या प्रसिध्दीपासून गुप्त ठेवण्यात येईल.

\* संस्थेचे/प्रयोजन करण्याच्याचे धोरण:-

या संशोधनास हे लागू नाही

\* कार्यक्रमात भाग घेतल्याबद्दल मिळणारी आर्थिक मदत :-

या अभ्यासक्रमामध्ये भाग घेतल्याबद्दल तुम्हास कोणतीही आर्थिक मदत किंवा भेट वस्तु देण्यात येणार नाही.

\* अभ्यासाचे निष्कर्ष प्रसिध्द करण्याचे अधिकार :-

या अभ्यासक्रमाचे निष्कर्ष हे के. एल. ई युनिव्हर्सिटी बेळगांव यांना पाठविण्यात येतील व हा अभ्यासक्रम तपासून व प्रसिध्दीस देऊन एम डी. ही पदवी पूर्ण करण्याचा हा एक आमचा भाग आहे.

\* अभ्यासक्रमासंबंधी कोणतेही प्रश्न असल्यास किंवा भविष्यात शंका निर्माण झाल्यातर या बाबत खालील व्यक्तिशी संपर्क साधावा.

१. डॉ.  
प्रोफेसर व पॅथॉलॉजी विभाग प्रमुख  
जे एन. एम सी मेडिकल कॉलेज  
के.एल.ई युनिव्हर्सिटी बेळगांव-10

२. डॉ.  
प्रोफेसर व विभाग प्रमुख  
सामान्य औषधोपचार विभाग  
जे एन. एम सी मेडिकल कॉलेज  
बेळगांव 9845710945

३. डॉ.  
संशोधक  
पोष्ट ग्रेज्युएट,  
सामान्य औषधोपचार विभाग  
जे एन. एम सी मेडिकल कॉलेज  
बेळगांव 847969903

सम्मती पत्र

मी खाली सही करणारा स्वतःहून अभ्यासामध्ये भाग घेण्यासाठी हे मान्य करत आहे. मी माझे नांव यातून कोणत्याही क्षणी काढून घेवू शकतो. हा नमूना फार्म सही केल्यामुळे मी माझे कोणतेही नैतिक अधिकार सोडून देत नाही आहे. हे वाचून पाहिल्यानंतर किंवा ते वाचून दाखविल्या नंतर मी माझी सही या सम्मती पत्रावर करत आहे. व अशा प्रकारे मी सर्व प्रश्नाची उत्तरे देत आहे.

भाग घेणाऱ्याचे नांव : .....सही/अंगठा

साक्षीदाराचे नांव: .....सही/अंगठा

तपासणाऱ्याचे नांव:.....सही

तारीख:

ठिकाण:

जानकारी प्राप्त होने के बाद दि गई सम्मति

संशोधन अभ्यास का नाम

सीने में पानी के संचय की बिमारिका वैद्यकिय बाते ध्यान में रखकर किया हुआ शास्त्रोक्त अभ्यास- एक साल का संशोधन अभ्यास.

मुख्य संशोधक : डॉ.

पोस्ट ग्रेज्युएट छात्र  
सामान्य औषधोपचार विभाग  
जे. एन. एम. सी, बेळगांव

मार्गदर्शक : डॉ.

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\* प्रस्तावना और हेतु :

वैद्यकिय बाते ध्यान में लेकर सीने में पानी का संचय और ऐसा पाणी जमा होने की वजह इसका यह संशोधन अभ्यासक्रम है। इस अभ्यास के प्रमुख संशोधक डॉ. ऋषि रामन और उनके मार्गदर्शक डॉ. विजय जी. सोमन्नवर है।

यह अभ्यासक्रम प्राथमिक स्थिती में सीने में पानी जमा होना, क्यों होता है ? और उसकी वजह क्या है ? इसका परामर्श करना और उसका प्राथमिक स्थितीमें औषधोपचार करके रोग का निवारण करना है।

\* पध्दती :-

आप यदी इस संशोधन में सामिल होते है तो आपको आपका इसके बारे में पूर्व इतिहास पुछा जाएगा और वैद्यकिय बाते ध्यानमें रखकर आपके शरीर की जाँच करके, इस संबंधमें संशोधन किया जाएगा। इस संशोधन हेतु आपके रक्त का और थुक का नमुना लिया जाना जरुरी है और उसके बाद उनकी वैद्यकिय जांच की जायेगी।

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## \* धोका और फायदे:

इस अभ्यास संशोधन हेतु आपके सीने में से तरल पदार्थ का नमूना लिया जाएगा। और वह लेते समय आपको जिस जगह पर हम खुरचणे की प्रक्रिया करते हैं उस जगह पर वेदना और दर्द होगा।

इस जांच में आपको कोई फायदा होना या नहीं, यह हम बता नहीं सकते लेकिन इस जांचकी वजहसे भविष्यमें अन्य लोगोंको इसका लाभ होगा।

## \* पर्याय :-

इस संशोधन अभ्यासमें आप खूद सम्मलित हो सकते हैं। आप इस अभ्यासमें सम्मलित नहीं होना चाहते यह भी आप बना सकते हैं। यदि आप इस अभ्यासमें खूद सम्मलित हो गये हैं तो आपको इसके बाद भी आपके मनमें शंका उत्पन्न हो गयी तो, आपका नाम इस अभ्यासक्रम से आप कम करते हैं। इस निर्णय से आपको भविष्य में मिलनेवाले वैद्यकिय मदत अथवा सेवाओं पर कोई भी असर नहीं होगा।

यह अभ्यास संशोधन कभी भी संशोधक करनेवाले डॉक्टर या इसके प्रयोजक, इसको समाप्त कर सकते हैं। यदि आप इस अभ्यासक्रमसे सम्मलित नहीं होते हैं तो भी आपको इस जगह से योग्य ऐसी अभी वैद्यकिय चिकित्सा मिलेगी।

## \* गोपनीयता :-

इस संशोधनमें आपके द्वारा प्राप्त की हुई जानकारी कानून के मुताबिक गोपनीय रखी जायेगी। इस संशोधन अभ्यासक्रममें आपको एक कोड नंबर दिया जायेगा और कोड नंबर की मदत से आपकी पहचान की जायेगी। इस अभ्यासक्रम में मिली हुई जानकारी प्रसिध्द कि जायेगी किंतु आपका नाम और सम्मति इस प्रसिध्दी में गोपनीय रखी जायेगी।

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\* संस्थाका या प्रयोजन करनेवाले का हेतु-

इस संशोधन के लिए यह लागू नहीं है।

\* सम्मिलित होनेवाले को मिलनेवाली आर्थिक सहायता-

इस अभ्यासक्रम में सम्मिलित होनेवाले को कोई भी आर्थिक सहायता या इनाम नहीं मिलेगा।

\* अभ्यास के निष्कर्ष प्रसिद्ध करने के अधिकार-

इस अभ्यास के निष्कर्ष के के. एल ई युनिवर्सिटी बेलगाम को भेजे जायेंगे और इस अभ्यासक्रम को प्राप्त करके तथा उसको प्रसिद्धी देकर एम डी. पदवी प्राप्त करना यह एक इस संशोधन का हिस्सा है।

आपके इस संशोधन हेतु कोई प्रश्न है, या भविष्य में शंका हो गई तो आप निम्नलिखित व्यक्ति से संपर्क कर सकते हैं।

१. डॉ.  
प्रोफेसर व पथालाजा विभाग प्रमुख  
जे एन. एम सी मेडिकल कॉलेज  
के.एल.ई युनिवर्सिटी बेलगांव-10

२. डॉ.  
प्रोफेसर व विभाग प्रमुख  
सामान्य औषधोपचार विभाग  
जे एन. एम सी मेडिकल कॉलेज  
बेलगांव

३. डॉ.  
संशोधक  
पौष्ट अंज्युएट,  
सामान्य औषधोपचार विभाग  
जे एन. एम सी मेडिकल कॉलेज  
बेलगांव

सम्मती पत्र

मैं निचे सही करनेवाला स्वइच्छेसे इस अभ्यासमें भाग लेने के लिए मान्यता देता हूँ । मैं अपना नाम किसी भी वक्त इसमेसे वापस ले सकता हूँ और इस सम्मती के कारण मैं मेरे कोई भी कानुनी हक़ नहीं छोड़ रहा हूँ । यह सब उपर के विषय के बारे में स्वयं पढकर या पढने के सूजने के बाद मैं इस सम्मती पत्र पर अपने हस्ताक्षर कर के सभी प्रश्नो का उत्तर दिया हूँ ।

हिस्सा लेने वाले का नाम : .....सही/अंगठा

साक्षीदार का नाम: .....सही/अंगठा

परीक्षण करने वाले का नाम:.....सही

तारीख:

स्थळ:

एनके अखरवाम

**ANNEXURE II – PROFORMA**

**CASE NO:**

**NAME:**

**AGE/SEX:**

**IP NO.:**

**ADDRESS:**

**OCCUPATION:**

**HISTORY:**

**COMPLAINTS AT PRESENTATION: YES/NO**

FEVER

COUGH

CHEST PAIN

BREATHLESSNESS

Any other complaint

**Past history: Yes/No**

Tuberculosis

Bronchial Asthma

Ischemic heart disease

Diabetes mellitus

Hypertension

Any other

**Family history**

**Personal history**

**Treatment history**

**PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:**

Temperature:

Pulse:

Respiratory rate:

Blood pressure:

Spo2:

**SYSTEMIC EXAMINATION:**

R. S.:

C.V.S.:

P.A.:

**C.N.S.:**

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| <b>Pleural Cell Type</b>  |  |
| <b>Pleural Cell Count</b> |  |
| <b>Pleural ADA</b>        |  |
| <b>Pleural Protein</b>    |  |
| <b>Pleural Glucose</b>    |  |
| <b>Pleural LDH</b>        |  |
| <b>Serum Protein</b>      |  |
| <b>Gram Stain</b>         |  |
| <b>Culture</b>            |  |
| <b>AFB</b>                |  |

**Diagnosis:**

## KEY TO MASTER CHART

|                    |   |                               |
|--------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| IP No.             | : | Inpatient Number              |
| TB                 | : | Tuberculosis                  |
| IHD                | : | Ischemic Heart Disease        |
| RHD                | : | Rheumatic Heart Disease       |
| RD                 | : | Renal Disease                 |
| RVD                | : | Retroviral Disease            |
| CLD                | : | Chronic Liver Disease         |
| Nil                | : | No co-morbidities             |
| Pleural LDH        | : | Pleural Lactate Dehydrogenase |
| 1                  | : | <222                          |
| 2                  | : | >222                          |
| Pleural ADA        | : | Adenosine Deaminase           |
| 1                  | : | <30U/L                        |
| 2                  | : | 31- 40U/L                     |
| 3                  | : | 41-60U/L                      |
| 4                  | : | >60U/L                        |
| Pleural Cell Count |   |                               |
| 1                  | : | <200                          |
| 2                  | : | >200-1000                     |
| 3                  | : | 1000- 5000                    |
| 4                  | : | >5000                         |
| Pleural Cell Type  |   |                               |
| L                  | : | Lymphocytic Predominance      |
| N                  | : | Neutrophilic Predominance     |

Pleural Glucose

1 : <60 g/dl

2 : >60 g/dl

| Sr no | IP No. | Age | Sex    | Fever | Cough | Chest Pain | Breathlessness | Co-morbidities | Chest Xray Size | Chest Xray Side | Pleural fluid Gross appearance | Cell Count | Cell Type | Pleural LDH | Pleural protein:Serum protein | Pleural Glucose | Pleural ADA | Gram Stain | Culture  | AFB      | Pleural Cytology for Malignant Cells | Type         | Etiology        |
|-------|--------|-----|--------|-------|-------|------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------|----------|----------|--------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 1     | 819191 | 71  | Male   | No    | Yes   | Yes        | Yes            | IHD            | Moderate        | Left            | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 1           | 2.8: 5.2                      | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | CCF             |
| 2     | 821658 | 67  | Male   | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | CLD            | Mild            | Right           | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 1           | 0.9:4.7                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 3     | 821438 | 60  | Female | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | Overlapping    | Moderate        | Right           | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | N         | 1           | 0.7:6.3                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 4     | 887326 | 67  | Female | Yes   | Yes   | Yes        | Yes            | DM             | Moderate        | Right           | Haemorrhagic                   | 4          | N         | 2           | 4.8:6.4                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Positive                             | Exudative    | Malignant       |
| 5     | 888546 | 42  | Male   | No    | Yes   | Yes        | Yes            | HTN            | Mild            | Left            | Dark Yellow                    | 4          | N         | 2           | 3.5:6.3                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Positive | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | Parapneumonic   |
| 6     | 771433 | 52  | Male   | Yes   | Yes   | Yes        | Yes            | RVD            | Moderate        | Left            | Dark Yellow                    | 3          | L         | 2           | 5.3:6.8                       | 1               | 4           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 7     | 785623 | 47  | Male   | No    | No    | No         | Yes            | IHD            | Moderate        | Left            | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 2           | 1.3:5.6                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | CCF             |
| 8     | 836980 | 74  | Male   | Yes   | Yes   | No         | No             | Overlapping    | Moderate        | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 4.3:7.2                       | 2               | 4           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 9     | 802367 | 39  | Male   | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | CLD            | Mild            | Right           | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | N         | 1           | 0.8:5.2                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 10    | 795409 | 56  | Male   | Yes   | Yes   | No         | Yes            | DM             | Massive         | Left            | Dark Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 2           | 4.8:7                         | 2               | 4           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 11    | 784125 | 65  | Female | No    | No    | Yes        | Yes            | IHD            | Moderate        | Bilateral       | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 1           | 2.1:6.8                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | CCF             |
| 12    | 815634 | 63  | Female | No    | No    | No         | Yes            | RD             | Moderate        | Left            | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 1           | 1.1:6.0                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 13    | 836008 | 20  | Male   | Yes   | Yes   | No         | Yes            | Nil            | Massive         | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 5.3:7.2                       | 2               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 14    | 769078 | 58  | Male   | No    | No    | No         | Yes            | DM             | Massive         | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 5.0:7.5                       | 2               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 15    | 809432 | 24  | Female | Yes   | Yes   | No         | Yes            | Nil            | Massive         | Left            | Pus(Empyema)                   | 4          | N         | 2           | 5.5:7.0                       | 1               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | Empyema         |
| 16    | 746923 | 37  | Male   | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | CLD            | Moderate        | Left            | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 1           | 1.2:6.2                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 17    | 797312 | 35  | Male   | Yes   | No    | No         | Yes            | DM             | Moderate        | Right           | Pale Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 5.1:7.8                       | 1               | 2           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 18    | 889317 | 55  | Female | Yes   | No    | No         | No             | DM             | Mild            | Left            | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 4.1:6.8                       | 1               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 19    | 794096 | 64  | Female | Yes   | Yes   | No         | Yes            | RD             | Moderate        | Right           | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | N         | 1           | 0.4:6.3                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 20    | 785108 | 19  | Male   | Yes   | Yes   | No         | Yes            | Nil            | Moderate        | Left            | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 4.1:7.0                       | 1               | 4           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 21    | 810749 | 34  | Male   | No    | Yes   | No         | No             | Nil            | Mild            | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 3          | N         | 2           | 4.3:7.6                       | 1               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | Parapneumonic   |
| 22    | 840854 | 61  | Male   | No    | Yes   | Yes        | No             | IHD            | Mild            | Right           | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | N         | 1           | 0.8: 5.6                      | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | CCF             |
| 23    | 858074 | 39  | Female | No    | No    | No         | Yes            | CLD            | Massive         | Right           | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | N         | 1           | 0.8:6.4                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 24    | 780531 | 18  | Female | No    | No    | No         | Yes            | Nil            | Moderate        | Left            | Dark Yellow                    | 3          | L         | 2           | 3.8:6.1                       | 1               | 4           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 25    | 846109 | 54  | Male   | Yes   | Yes   | No         | Yes            | RD             | Moderate        | Bilateral       | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 1           | 0.9:4.3                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 26    | 854096 | 28  | Male   | Yes   | Yes   | No         | No             | Nil            | Mild            | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 3.8:7.0                       | 1               | 4           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 27    | 770091 | 56  | Male   | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | CLD            | Massive         | Right           | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 1           | 1.3:6.1                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 28    | 829155 | 64  | Male   | No    | No    | No         | Yes            | HTN            | Moderate        | Left            | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 4.1:7.0                       | 1               | 2           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 29    | 829153 | 32  | Female | Yes   | Yes   | No         | Yes            | CLD            | Massive         | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 1           | 1.5:5.9                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 30    | 829480 | 52  | Male   | Yes   | Yes   | No         | No             | DM             | Mild            | Left            | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 4.3:6.8                       | 1               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 31    | 847581 | 18  | Female | Yes   | No    | No         | Yes            | DM             | Massive         | Left            | Pus(Empyema)                   | 4          | N         | 2           | 4.3:7.4                       | 1               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | Empyema         |
| 32    | 826113 | 57  | Male   | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | Overlapping    | Massive         | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 4.4:6.8                       | 2               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 33    | 825981 | 26  | Female | Yes   | No    | No         | Yes            | Nil            | Massive         | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 3          | L         | 2           | 4.2:7.2                       | 1               | 4           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 34    | 827943 | 59  | Male   | Yes   | Yes   | No         | No             | Overlapping    | Moderate        | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 4.1:7.3                       | 1               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 35    | 827908 | 38  | Male   | Yes   | No    | No         | No             | HTN            | Massive         | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 4          | N         | 2           | 4.8:6.9                       | 1               | 1           | Negative   | Positive | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | Parapneumonic   |
| 36    | 827498 | 53  | Female | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | HTN            | Massive         | Left            | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 3.3:6.9                       | 2               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 37    | 887326 | 22  | Female | Yes   | No    | No         | Yes            | Nil            | Moderate        | Left            | Dark Yellow                    | 4          | L         | 2           | 4.0:7.0                       | 2               | 4           | Negative   | Negative | Positive | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 38    | 813239 | 38  | Male   | Yes   | No    | No         | No             | Overlapping    | Mild            | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 4          | L         | 2           | 5.7:7.4                       | 1               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 39    | 813466 | 35  | Male   | Yes   | No    | No         | Yes            | HTN            | Moderate        | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 4          | N         | 2           | 5.1:7.8                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | Parapneumonic   |
| 40    | 810951 | 76  | Male   | Yes   | No    | No         | No             | Overlapping    | Mild            | Left            | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 5.1:7.4                       | 1               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 41    | 832096 | 46  | Male   | Yes   | No    | No         | Yes            | CLD            | Moderate        | Right           | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 1           | 1.0:6.9                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 42    | 840941 | 37  | Female | No    | Yes   | Yes        | Yes            | RD             | Moderate        | Bilateral       | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 1           | 1.3:6.2                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 43    | 798431 | 82  | Male   | Yes   | No    | No         | Yes            | Overlapping    | Moderate        | Left            | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 4.2:6.8                       | 1               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 44    | 764239 | 52  | Female | No    | No    | Yes        | Yes            | RHD            | Mild            | Left            | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | L         | 1           | 1.7:6.8                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | CCF             |
| 45    | 785430 | 74  | Female | Yes   | No    | Yes        | No             | HTN            | Mild            | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 3          | L         | 2           | 3.1:6.4                       | 2               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 46    | 780965 | 36  | Female | Yes   | No    | No         | Yes            | DM             | Moderate        | right           | Pus(Empyema)                   | 4          | N         | 2           | 5.1:8.0                       | 1               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | Empyema         |
| 47    | 786549 | 25  | Male   | Yes   | No    | No         | No             | Nil            | Moderate        | left            | Dark Yellow                    | 3          | L         | 2           | 4.5:7.6                       | 1               | 4           | Negative   | Negative | Positive | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 48    | 765329 | 67  | Male   | No    | Yes   | Yes        | No             | Overlapping    | Mild            | right           | Dark Yellow                    | 3          | L         | 2           | 4.4:6.8                       | 2               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 49    | 788542 | 27  | Female | No    | No    | No         | Yes            | RHD            | Mild            | left            | Pale Yellow                    | 2          | N         | 1           | 0.3:5.2                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | CCF             |
| 50    | 809608 | 70  | Female | Yes   | No    | No         | Yes            | Overlapping    | Massive         | right           | Dark Yellow                    | 3          | L         | 2           | 4.9:7.4                       | 2               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 51    | 816874 | 61  | Male   | Yes   | No    | No         | No             | HTN            | Mild            | right           | Dark Yellow                    | 3          | L         | 2           | 5.5:6.7                       | 2               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 52    | 798540 | 39  | Male   | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | CLD            | Moderate        | right           | Pale Yellow                    | 2          | N         | 1           | 0.4:5.8                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 53    | 785996 | 44  | Female | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | CLD            | Massive         | right           | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | N         | 1           | 0.7:6.2                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 54    | 763497 | 49  | Male   | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | IHD            | Massive         | Left            | Pale Yellow                    | 2          | N         | 1           | 0.5:6.7                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | CCF             |
| 55    | 754398 | 69  | Female | Yes   | No    | No         | Yes            | DM             | Moderate        | Right           | Dark Yellow                    | 3          | L         | 2           | 3.8:6.2                       | 1               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 56    | 765486 | 64  | Male   | No    | Yes   | No         | No             | HTN            | Moderate        | right           | Dark Yellow                    | 3          | L         | 2           | 4.3:6.7                       | 1               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 57    | 765987 | 47  | Male   | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | CLD            | Massive         | right           | Pale Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 1           | 1.8:6.8                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 58    | 796541 | 78  | Female | Yes   | Yes   | No         | Yes            | Overlapping    | Moderate        | right           | Dark Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 2           | 4.9:7.6                       | 2               | 3           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 59    | 845612 | 54  | Female | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | CLD            | Massive         | right           | Pale Yellow                    | 1          | N         | 1           | 1.1:6.9                       | 1               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 60    | 813406 | 27  | Male   | Yes   | Yes   | No         | Yes            | Nil            | Massive         | left            | Dark Yellow                    | 3          | L         | 2           | 3.1:6.3                       | 1               | 4           | Negative   | Negative | Positive | Negative                             | Exudative    | TB              |
| 61    | 823986 | 54  | Male   | No    | Yes   | No         | Yes            | RD             | Moderate        | Bilateral       | Pale Yellow                    | 2          | L         | 1           | 0.3:5.8                       | 2               | 1           | Negative   | Negative | Negative | Negative                             | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |

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| 62  | 854387 | 65 | Female | Yes | No  | No  | No  | DM          | Mild     | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 3.3:7.1 | 1 | 3 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 63  | 796543 | 35 | Male   | Yes | No  | No  | Yes | DM          | Massive  | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 3.2:6.2 | 1 | 3 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 64  | 795487 | 23 | Male   | No  | No  | Yes | No  | Nil         | Mild     | right     | Pale Yellow  | 2 | N | 1 | 0.4:5.9 | 1 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 65  | 754008 | 48 | Male   | Yes | No  | No  | Yes | HTN         | Massive  | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 3.7:6.0 | 1 | 3 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 66  | 765433 | 27 | Male   | No  | No  | Yes | No  | Nil         | Mild     | right     | Pale Yellow  | 2 | L | 1 | 0.8:6.0 | 2 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 67  | 795321 | 43 | Female | Yes | No  | No  | Yes | DM          | Massive  | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 3.8:7.1 | 1 | 3 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 68  | 813288 | 62 | Female | Yes | No  | No  | No  | HTN         | Mild     | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 4.4:6.6 | 1 | 3 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 69  | 846475 | 57 | Female | No  | Yes | Yes | Yes | IHD         | Massive  | left      | Pale Yellow  | 3 | N | 1 | 0.8:6.5 | 1 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | CCF             |
| 70  | 815601 | 47 | Male   | No  | No  | Yes | No  | Overlapping | Mild     | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 4.5:7.9 | 1 | 3 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 71  | 839641 | 60 | Female | Yes | Yes | No  | Yes | HTN         | Massive  | right     | Haemorrhagic | 4 | L | 2 | 4.5:7.2 | 1 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Positive | Exudative    | Malignant       |
| 72  | 838514 | 43 | Male   | Yes | No  | No  | No  | Nil         | Moderate | left      | Dark Yellow  | 2 | L | 2 | 4.1:6.8 | 1 | 4 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 73  | 841075 | 45 | Male   | Yes | No  | No  | Yes | RVD         | Massive  | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 4.1:7.0 | 1 | 3 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 74  | 817320 | 59 | Male   | No  | No  | Yes | Yes | DM          | Mild     | right     | Pale Yellow  | 2 | N | 1 | 1.3:6.8 | 2 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 75  | 808127 | 32 | Male   | Yes | Yes | No  | No  | Nil         | Mild     | right     | Dark Yellow  | 4 | L | 2 | 3.8:6.4 | 1 | 3 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 76  | 846319 | 20 | Male   | Yes | No  | No  | Yes | Nil         | Moderate | left      | Dark Yellow  | 3 | N | 2 | 5.0:7.6 | 1 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | Parapneumonic   |
| 77  | 848752 | 39 | Male   | Yes | No  | Yes | No  | HTN         | Mild     | right     | Dark Yellow  | 4 | L | 2 | 3.9:6.5 | 2 | 3 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 78  | 756031 | 39 | Male   | No  | Yes | No  | Yes | Overlapping | Moderate | right     | Pale Yellow  | 2 | L | 1 | 1.4:7.0 | 2 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 79  | 839066 | 47 | Male   | Yes | Yes | No  | No  | HTN         | Massive  | right     | Dark Yellow  | 4 | L | 2 | 4.3:6.4 | 1 | 4 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 80  | 838482 | 22 | Male   | Yes | Yes | Yes | No  | HTN         | Mild     | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | N | 2 | 4.1:7.2 | 2 | 1 | Positive | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | Parapneumonic   |
| 81  | 843547 | 39 | Male   | No  | No  | No  | Yes | CLD         | Massive  | right     | Dark Yellow  | 2 | L | 1 | 1.3:7.0 | 2 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 82  | 844842 | 42 | Male   | No  | No  | No  | Yes | RVD         | Moderate | left      | Dark Yellow  | 2 | L | 2 | 4.1:7.0 | 1 | 4 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 83  | 741808 | 52 | Male   | No  | Yes | No  | No  | IHD         | Mild     | right     | Pale Yellow  | 2 | N | 1 | 1.2:6.4 | 2 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | CCF             |
| 84  | 846298 | 49 | Male   | No  | No  | No  | Yes | Nil         | Moderate | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 3.0:6.5 | 1 | 4 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 85  | 845531 | 38 | Male   | No  | Yes | No  | Yes | IHD         | Moderate | left      | Pale Yellow  | 2 | L | 1 | 1.8:6.8 | 2 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | CCF             |
| 86  | 836534 | 44 | Male   | No  | Yes | No  | No  | HTN         | Mild     | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 3.6:7.0 | 1 | 4 | Positive | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 87  | 846545 | 25 | Female | No  | Yes | No  | Yes | Nil         | Moderate | left      | Pale Yellow  | 4 | N | 2 | 4.3:6.8 | 2 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | Parapneumonic   |
| 88  | 846799 | 46 | Male   | Yes | Yes | No  | No  | HTN         | Moderate | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 5.2:8.2 | 1 | 4 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 89  | 844896 | 35 | Male   | No  | Yes | No  | No  | DM          | Moderate | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 5.0:7.6 | 1 | 4 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 90  | 847469 | 32 | Male   | Yes | Yes | No  | No  | CLD         | Moderate | right     | Dark Yellow  | 2 | L | 2 | 5.1:6.9 | 1 | 4 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 91  | 847898 | 28 | Male   | No  | Yes | No  | No  | Nil         | Mild     | left      | Dark Yellow  | 3 | N | 2 | 4.1:7.5 | 1 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | Parapneumonic   |
| 92  | 876484 | 65 | Male   | No  | No  | Yes | No  | Overlapping | Mild     | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 4.0:6.8 | 2 | 4 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 93  | 737004 | 39 | Female | No  | Yes | No  | Yes | IHD         | Massive  | left      | Pale Yellow  | 2 | L | 1 | 1.2:6.3 | 1 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | CCF             |
| 94  | 787687 | 63 | Male   | Yes | No  | No  | No  | Nil         | Mild     | right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 1 | 3.9:7.0 | 1 | 2 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 95  | 841709 | 37 | Male   | No  | Yes | No  | Yes | RD          | Moderate | Bilateral | Pale Yellow  | 2 | L | 1 | 1.5:6.8 | 2 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 96  | 770235 | 62 | Female | No  | No  | No  | Yes | Overlapping | Moderate | Right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | L | 2 | 4.2:6.7 | 2 | 2 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | TB              |
| 97  | 748291 | 34 | Male   | No  | No  | Yes | Yes | RD          | Massive  | Right     | Pale Yellow  | 3 | L | 1 | 0.9:5.9 | 1 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 98  | 781987 | 32 | Female | No  | Yes | No  | No  | HTN         | Mild     | Right     | Dark Yellow  | 3 | N | 2 | 4.0:6.8 | 2 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Exudative    | Parapneumonic   |
| 99  | 793906 | 36 | Male   | No  | Yes | No  | Yes | RD          | Moderate | Bilateral | Pale Yellow  | 2 | L | 1 | 1.0:6.8 | 2 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | Hypoproteinemia |
| 100 | 800210 | 56 | Male   | No  | Yes | No  | Yes | IHD         | Moderate | Right     | Pale Yellow  | 2 | L | 1 | 0.9:6.0 | 1 | 1 | Negative | Negative | Negative | Negative | Transudative | CCF             |

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| Left      | TB              |
| Right     | Hypoproteinemia |
| Bilateral | Hypoproteinemia |
| Left      | TB              |
| Left      | CCF             |
| Right     | TB              |
| right     | Empyema         |
| left      | TB              |
| right     | TB              |
| left      | CCF             |
| right     | TB              |

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| right     | TB              |
| right     | Hypoproteinemia |
| right     | Hypoproteinemia |
| Left      | CCF             |
| Right     | TB              |
| right     | TB              |
| right     | Hypoproteinemia |
| right     | TB              |
| right     | Hypoproteinemia |
| left      | TB              |
| Bilateral | Hypoproteinemia |
| right     | TB              |
| right     | TB              |
| right     | Hypoproteinemia |
| right     | TB              |
| right     | Hypoproteinemia |
| right     | TB              |
| right     | TB              |
| left      | CCF             |
| right     | TB              |
| right     | Malignant       |
| left      | TB              |
| right     | TB              |
| right     | Hypoproteinemia |
| right     | TB              |
| left      | Parapneumonic   |
| right     | TB              |
| right     | Hypoproteinemia |
| right     | TB              |
| right     | Parapneumonic   |
| right     | Hypoproteinemia |
| left      | TB              |
| right     | CCF             |
| right     | TB              |
| left      | CCF             |
| right     | TB              |
| left      | Parapneumonic   |
| right     | TB              |
| right     | TB              |
| right     | TB              |
| left      | Parapneumonic   |
| right     | TB              |
| left      | CCF             |
| right     | TB              |
| Bilateral | Hypoproteinemia |
| Right     | TB              |
| Right     | Hypoproteinemia |
| Right     | Parapneumonic   |
| Bilateral | Hypoproteinemia |
| Right     | CCF             |