# Interstitial Lung Disease

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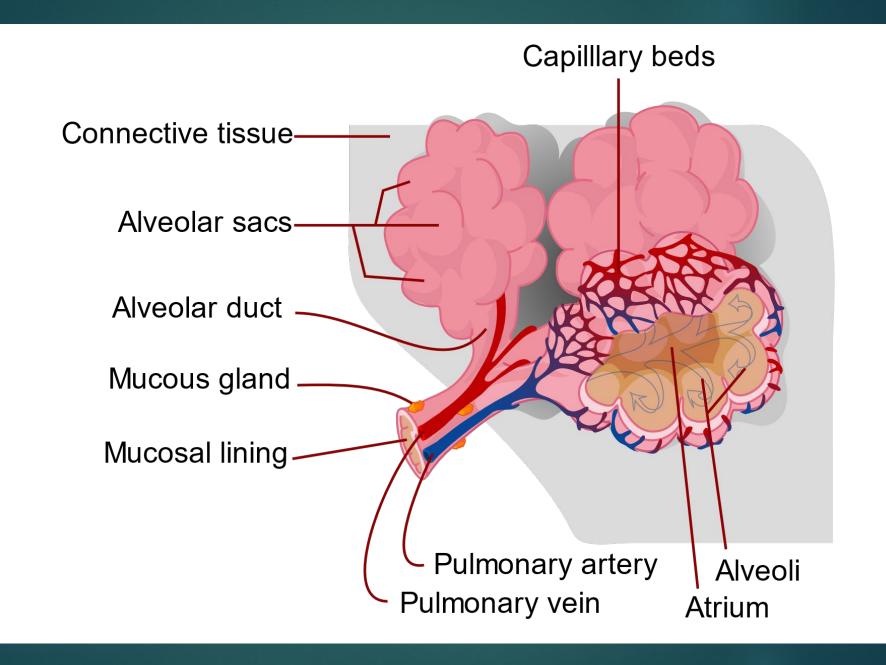


## ILD-General Concepts

- Also known as diffuse parenchymal lung diseases
- Heterogenous group of disorders with similar manifestations
  - ► Radiographic
  - ▶ Physiologic
  - Clinical
  - ▶ Histopathology

## Pulmonary Interstitium

- Space between functional lung units (alveoli)
- Includes vascular structures, connective tissue, lymphatics
- Essentially everything outside the airways and alveoli



### ILD-Classification

- ▶ Known causes
  - Exposure to occupational and environmental factors
  - Drug induced injury
  - Radiation induced injury
  - ▶ ILD associated with connective tissue diseases
- ▶ Idiopathic
  - Sarcoidosis
  - Cryptogenic organizing pneumonia
  - ▶ Idiopathic interstitial pneumonias (IPF)

### ILD-Clinical Presentation

- Progressive dyspnea on exertion
- ▶ Non-productive cough
- Pulmonary symptoms associated with another disease
- ► Family history of ILD
- ▶ History of occupational exposure
- Abnormal radiograph (CXR, CT)
- ▶ PFT abnormality

### ILD-Clinical Evaluation

- ▶ History
  - ▶ Age and gender
  - Onset and duration of symptoms
  - ▶ Past medical history
  - ► Smoking history
  - ► Family history
  - ▶ Medication use and irradiation
  - Occupational and environmental exposures

### ILD-Clinical Evaluation

- Physical exam
  - ▶ Lung exam-Rales, late inspiratory squeaks
  - Cardiac exam-Normal early, signs of pulmonary HTN or cor pulmonale late
  - ▶ Clubbing
  - ► Findings of systemic disease (amyloidosis, neurofibromatosis, sarcoidosis, tuberous sclerosis)

# ILD-Diagnostic Testing

- ▶ Lab studies
  - CBC with differential (eosinophilia)
  - Serologic testing (ANA, RF, etc.)
- Imaging
  - ► Chest X-Ray
  - CT High resolution technique, inspiratory and expiratory, prone and supine
- Pulmonary function testing
  - Spirometry, lung volumes, diffusing capacity
  - Rest and exercise pulse oximetry

# ILD-Diagnostic Testing

- Cardiac evaluation
  - ▶ Echocardiogram
  - Cardiopulmonary exercise testing
- Bronchoscopy
  - ▶ Bronchoalveolar lavage
  - ▶ Transbronchial biopsy
- Surgical lung biopsy
  - ▶ Thoracoscopic
  - ► Thoracotomy



# Specific ILD's aka Alphabet Soup

- UIP-Usual interstitial pneumonitis
- NSIP-Nonspecific interstitial pneumonitis
- DIP-Desquamative interstitial pneumonia
- ► AIP-Acute interstitial pneumonitis
- RB-ILD-Respiratory bronchiolitis associated ILD
- ► LIP-Lymphocytic interstitial pneumonitis
- ► LAM-Lymphangioleiomyomatosis
- COP-Cryptogenic organizing pneumonia
- ► HP-Hypersensitivity pneumonitis

# Specific ILDs

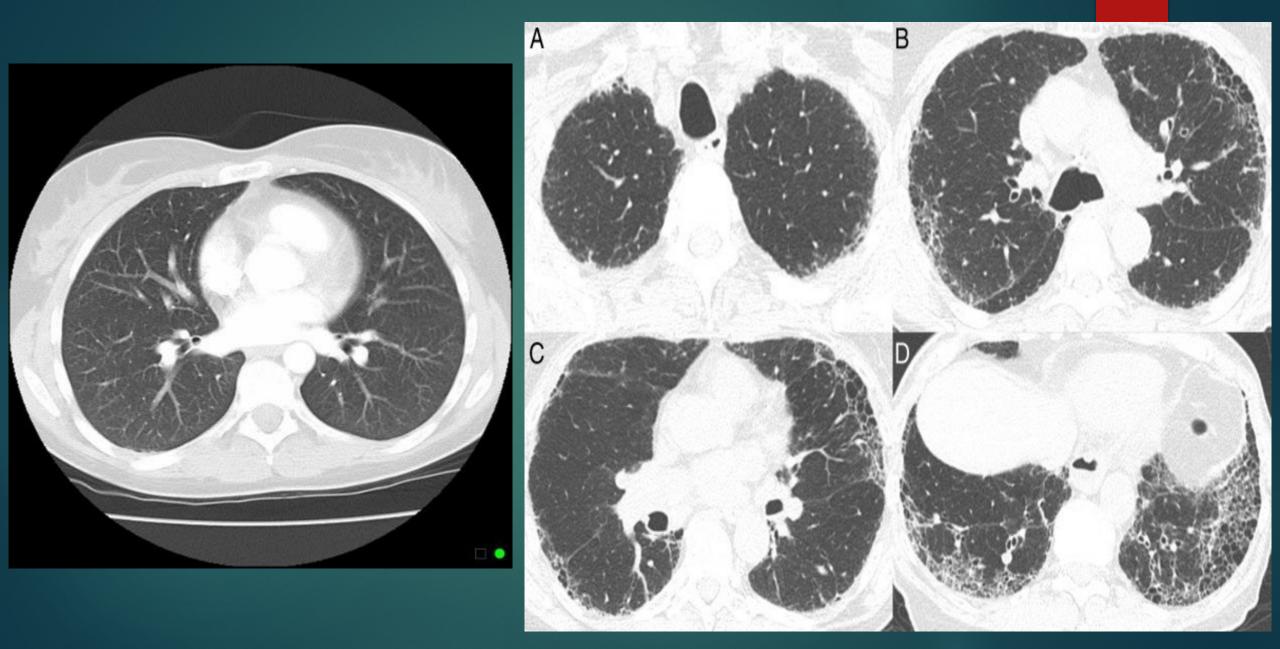
- Usual interstitial pneumonitis/Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis
- Hypersensitivity pneumonitis

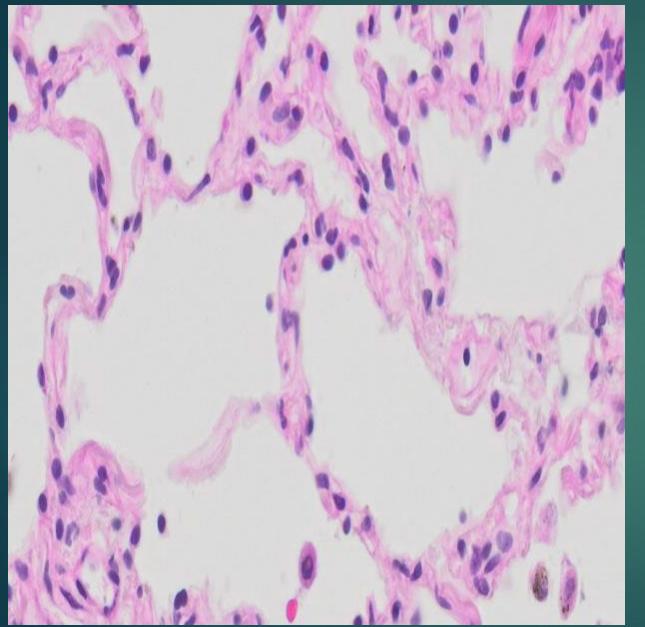
### Usual Interstitial Pneumonitis

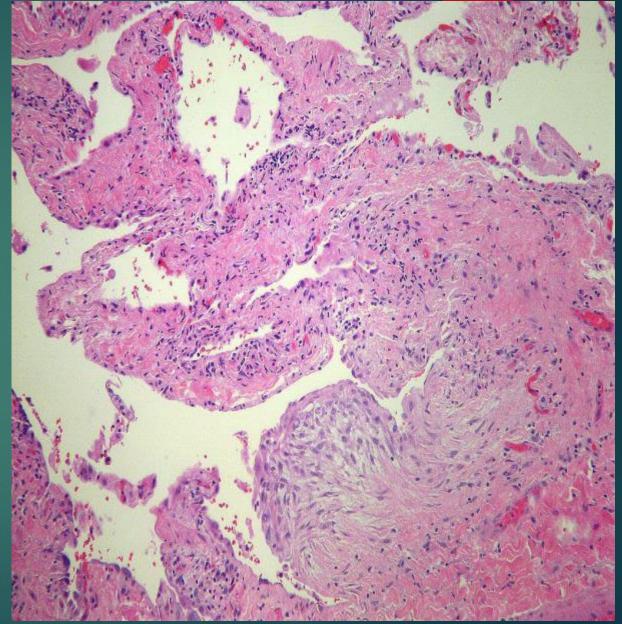
- Pathologic term for clinical entity idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis
- Most common idiopathic interstitial pneumonia
- ▶ Usually presents in 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> decade
- ▶ 3-9 cases per 100,000, higher among older populations
- ▶ Risk factors include smoking, male>female, industrial dust

### **UIP-Clinical Features**

- Gradual onset of dyspnea and nonproductive cough over several months
- Constitutional symptoms rare
- Crackles on exam
- Digital clubbing
- PFTs with restrictive pattern and reduced DLCO
- Biopsy not necessary if CT highly suggestive











#### **UIP-Treatment**

- Supplemental oxygen
- ▶ Education
- Medications
  - ▶ Nintedanib (Ofev)
  - ▶ Perfenidone (Esbriet)
- ▶ Infection prevention/vaccinations
- ▶ Lung transplantation

## Hypersensitivity Pneumonitis

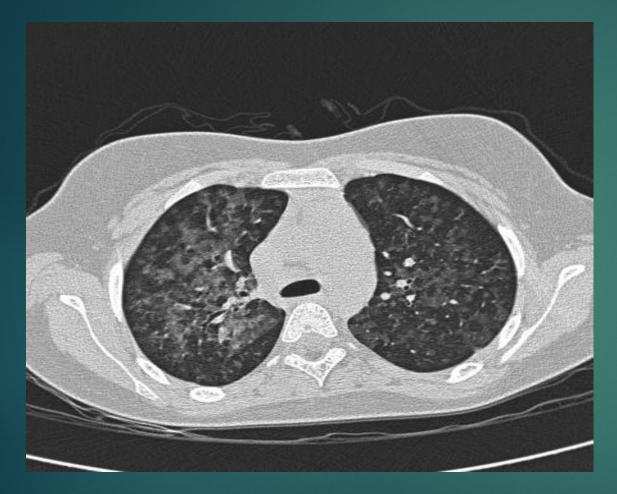
- ► Also known as Extrinsic Allergic Alveolitis
- Complex syndrome involving immunologic reaction to an inhaled agent, especially organic material
- ▶ Farmer's Lung, Bird Fancier's Lung, Baker's Lung, etc
- ► Affects as much as 0.4-7% of the farming population, more prevalent in humid areas
- Cigarette smoking associated with decreased risk

### **HP-Clinical Presentation**

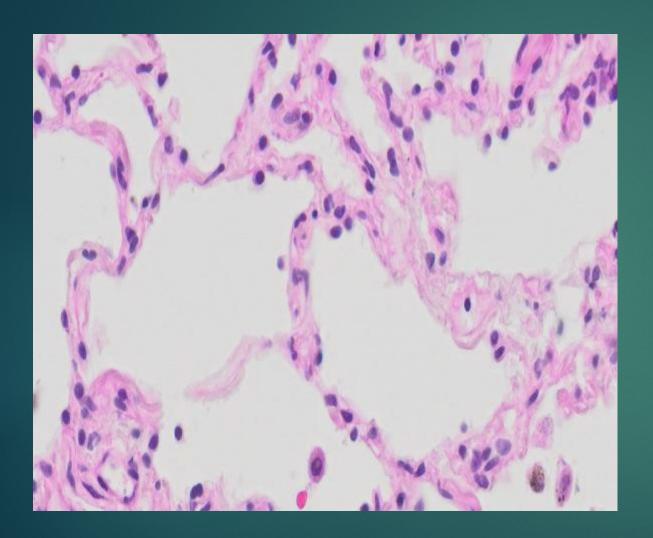
- ▶ Two phenotypes: Fibrotic and nonfibrotic
- Dyspnea and cough most common sxs.
- ▶ Fever, chills, weight loss, malaise
- May present over days-weeks or months-years
- Physical exam
  - ▶ Normal lung sounds to diffuse rales
  - ▶ Clubbing less common than in UIP

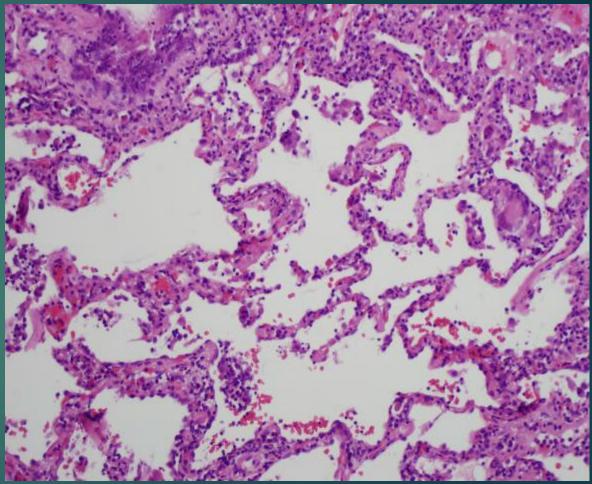
#### **HP-Clinical Evaluation**

- Extensive occupational and recreational history
  - ▶ Hobbies, occupations, household exposures
- ► Lab tests-Not particularly helpful, can test for specific IgG antibodies but high false positive rate
- PFTs-No specific pattern but restriction and decreased DLCO common
- High resolution CT-Variable appearance, fibrotic vs. nonfibrotic
- Lung biopsy











### HP-Treatment

- ► Antigen avoidance
- ▶ Glucocorticoids
- ► Immunosuppressives
  - Azathioprine (Imuran)
  - Mycophenylate (Cellcept)
- Antifibrotics (nintedanib, pirfenidone)
- ► Lung transplantation

