



# Spontaneous Bacterial Peritonitis

\*IVAlbumin In SBP If:  
 •Cr>1 •BUN>30  
 •T.Bili>4

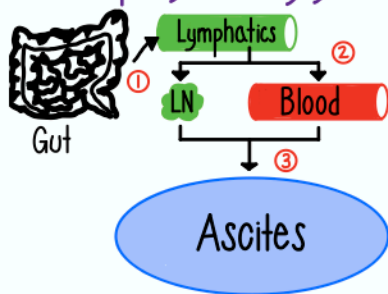
## Epidemiology

- Pts w/ Cirrhosis + Ascites
- High Mortality In SBP + Shock Or Renal Dysfunction

## Risk Factors:

- High MELD, Child Pugh C
- Ascitic Protein < 1.5g/dL
- Prior SBP or Variceal Bleed

## Pathophysiology



- ① Bacterial Translocation From Gut Into Lymphatics
- ② Bacteria Enter Systemic Circulation or Colonize Mesenteric LNs
- ③ Bacteria Seed Ascitic Fluid

## Clinical Manifestations

- Systemic Infection:
  - Fever, Sepsis.
  - Isolated Leukocytosis
- Altered Mental Status
- Abdominal Pain + Tenderness

Patients Can Be Asymptomatic (~15%)

## Diagnosis

- Ascitic Fluid Neutrophil Count  $\geq 250$  +
- Ascitic Fluid Culture +
- No Surgically Treatable Infection (2° Bact. Peritonitis)

	⊕ Ascites Cx	⊖ Ascites Cx
Neut $\geq 250$	SBP or 2° Peritonitis	Culture Negative Neutrocytic Ascites (CNNA)
Neut < 250	Bacterascites	Normal

## DDx

- Neut  $\geq 250$ , ⊕ Ascites Cx
  - SBP: ↓ Protein, ↑ SAAG, Monomicrobial
  - 2° Bact. Peritonitis: ↑ Protein, ↓ Gluc. ↑ LDH, Polymicrobial
- Neut  $\geq 250$ , ⊖ Ascites Cx (CNNA)
  - SBP: Para Post-Abx, Poor Cx Yield, Spontaneous Resolution
  - Carcinomatosis: ↓ SAAG, ⊕ Cytology
  - Peritoneal TB: ↓ SAAG, ↑ Lymphs

## Tx:

- Treat Infxn: Start CTX If Neut  $\geq 250$
- Prevent HRS/AKI: Give IV Albumin\*, Stop Non-Selective Beta-Blocker

## Ppx:

- Use Cipro Or TMP/SMX If...
- Prior SBP
- Cirrhosis + GI Bleed
- Ascitic Protein < 1.5g/dL + Cr > 1.2, BUN > 25, Na < 130 Or Child-Pugh Class C + T. Bili > 3.