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# Summary

The subjects of this study were 102 patients having chronic pyelonephritis visited Hilla Teaching Hospital-department of Urology whose ages ranged between 4-88 years old; (61.8%) of them were females and (38.2%) were males. The more affected age group in females was between 40-60 years old (31.0%) and in males was between 50-70 years old (20.0%) but in older age group (>70 years), males were more affected than females and only 0.9% of patients below 19 years.

Clinically, only two patients were presented asymptotically and the remainders were presented with classical symptoms of UTI including loin pain (98.2%) with or without urinary symptoms (frequency (83.3%), dysuria (79.4%), nocturia (70.0%), polyuria (67.6%), nausea or vomiting (31.4%), loss of appetite (27.0%) and loss of weight (17.4%). Some of the patients were presented with complications like hypertension in 13.7% and chronic renal failure in 9.8%. The patients with history of urinary tract infection were 86.3%, only 62.7% of them were associated with stone and 4.8% underwent surgical repair for VUR.

As regard the results of Ultrasound findings, 60.7% of the patients were unilateral and 34.3% were bilateral. In addition, GUE results showed that most of the patients were presented with pyuria (94.1%) with or without RBC (69.9%), 37.2% of them were with albuminuria and only 19.0% had renal casts in their urine. 29.6% of patients had alkaline urine.

As far as urine culture results, only 81 patients had positive urine culture, 29.6% *E.coli*, 20.9% *Staphylococcus epidermidis*, 12.3% *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, 4.8% *Corynebacterium spp.*, 4.8% *Proteus mirabilis*, 3.7% *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, 3.7% *Enterobacter spp.*, 3.7% *Acinetobacter spp.*, 2.0% *Enterococcus spp.*, 2.0% *Staphylococcus saprophyticus* and only one isolate (1.2%) was *Staphylococcus aureus*.

The effects of some antibiotics, which are commonly used in treatment of pyelonephritis on these bacterial isolates, showed that 86.8% resisted tetracycline, 82.7% resisted amoxicillin, 81.0% resisted trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole, 48.1% resisted vancomycin, 06.7% resisted doxycycline, 86.9% resisted gentamicin, 83.2% resisted cefixime, 81.9% resisted nitrofurantoin but the most sensitive antibiotics were ciprofloxacin and cefotaxime whose resistant rate was 39.0% for both.

The invading microorganisms must have an important virulence factors to invade the urinary tract and cause infection. The majority of isolates produced siderophores found in 40.3% of them followed by capsules seen in 77.9% and then the colonization factor antigens in 70.7% as the CFA/I was found in 33.3% and CFA/III in 03.1%. The extracellular protease production was found in 13.6% of them and the hemolysin production was found in 18.8% of them. In addition the production of urease and the ability to be motile were represented an important factors for chronic pyelonephritis as 08% of isolates were found with positive urease production and 88.8% were motile.

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# List of Abbreviations

Abbr.	Meaning
BPH	Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia
CFA	Colonization Factor Antigen
CT scan	Computerized Tomographic scan
EMB	Eosin-Methylene Blue
GUE	General Urine Examination
IVU	Intravenous Urography
KIA	Kliglar Iron Agar
LF	Lactose fermentation
MR	Methyl Red test
MR/K	Mannose-resistant fimbriae like <i>Klebsiella</i>
MR/P	Mannose-resistant fimbriae like <i>Proteus</i>
MRSA	Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
PAP	Pyelonephritis associated pili
RBC	Red Blood Cell
RNA	Ribose Nucleic acid
TMP-SMX	Trimethoprim-Sulfamethoxazole
TSI	Triple Iron Sugar
UTI	Urinary Tract Infection
VCUG	Voiding Cystourethrogram
VP	Voges–Proskaur test
WBC	White Blood Cell

## 1.1. INTRODUCTION:

Chronic pyelonephritis is a renal injury induced by recurrent or persistent renal infection. It occurs exclusively in patients with major anatomic anomalies, including urinary tract obstruction, struvite calculi, renal dysplasia or most commonly, vesicoureteral reflux (VUR) in young children. The diagnosis established on radiological evidence characterized by renal scarring and destructive changes in the calyceal system mostly associated with pyuria. The patients suffered from constant dull flank pain with polyuria and nocturia. There are two types of chronic pyelonephritis, which are either reflux chronic pyelonephritis or obstructive chronic pyelonephritis (Simon, 2002).

The bacteria are the commonest pathogenic cause of chronic pyelonephritis; however, *Mycoplasma* and *Chlamydia* have a role in the etiology of the disease (Thomsen, 1983). Furthermore, *E.coli* is the most common bacterial agents cause chronic pyelonephritis. Other gram-negative rods including *Klebsiella spp.*, *Proteus spp.*, and *Enterobacter spp.*, which are also isolated from patients with renal infection. *Pseudomonas spp.* and *Serratia spp.* may occur in hospital-acquired urinary tract infection as opportunistic pathogens. In addition, coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus* might represent an important agent to cause pyelonephritis. Moreover, *Enterococcus spp.* may be isolated from patients with renal disease but *Hemophilus* and *Neisseria spp.* are uncommon pathogens which cause upper urinary tract infection usually in childhood. *Staphylococcus aureus* renal infection occurred in patients

with bacteremic *Staphylococcal* infection. Recently, *Corynebacterium* group D<sup>r</sup> and *Acinetobacter spp.* have been identified in nosocomial urinary tract infection (Schrier and Gottschall, 1996).

Long-term antibiotic therapy has been recommended to decrease the severity of infection and to obtain normal renal function as soon as possible. However, if the infection persists, the renal function had decreases leading to renal failure that is the main destructive complication of chronic pyelonephritis (Falkiner *et.al.*, 1983). The risk of pyelonephritis has increased in people with obstruction of the ureters, diabetes, in people with a weakened immune system which reduces the body's ability to combat infection (Beers *et.al.*, 2004).

The aims of this study are to assess clinically and bacteriologically the patients with chronic pyelonephritis, to study the in vitro antimicrobial sensitivity pattern of bacteria isolated from urine of those patients and to detect the pathogenic factors (*virulence factors*: capsule, hemolysin, extracellular protease, colonization factor antigen and siderophores) related to these bacterial isolates and their relations with the disease.

## 1.2. LITERATURE REVIEWS

### 1.2.1. *Anatomy and Histology of The kidneys*

1.2.1.1. **Anatomy:** The kidney is seen to be made up of an outer cortex, a central medulla, internal calices and pelvis. The cortex is homogeneous in appearance. The medulla consists of numerous pyramids formed by the converging collecting tubules, which drain into the minor calices at tip of papillae. These calices unite to form 2 or 3 major calices, which join to form renal pelvis. The pelvis may be entirely intrarenal or partly intrarenal and partly extrarenal. Inferomedially, it tapers to form the ureter (Williams *et.al.*, 1989).

1.2.1.2. **Histology:** The functional unit of the kidney is a nephron, which is composed of a tubule that has both secretory and excretory functions. Secretory portion is within the renal cortex and consists of renal corpuscle and secretory part of renal tubule. Excretory portion lies in medulla and consists of collecting tubule and distal end of ascending limb of convoluted tubule. The walls of calices and pelvis are composed of transitional cell epithelium which lies on a loose connective tissue and then smooth muscular layer including helical and longitudinal fibers (Sampaio and Aragao, 1990)

### **١.٢.٢. *Kidney Infection (pyelonephritis)***

It is an inflammation of the kidney and renal pelvis that is commonly due to causative agents (Richet and Mayaud, ١٩٧٨). It is divided into two types:

### **١.٢.٣. *Acute Pyelonephritis***

It is the bacterial infection of kidney causing inflammation of its parenchyma. It is characterized by abrupt onset of high fever and loin pain but the condition can be treated (mostly hospitalized treatment) and the kidney can be reversed to normal size and function after the cure (Olsson *et.al.*, ١٩٨٠).

### **١.٢.٤. *Chronic Pyelonephritis***

The term chronic pyelonephritis means a persistent renal infection leading to chronic renal lesion and it is associated with bacterial infection (Heptinstall, ١٩٨٣). It represents ٢٥% of all renal diseases (Sakran *et.al.*, ٢٠٠٣).

### **١.٢.٤.١ *Pathology of Chronic Pyelonephritis***

There is irregular scarring of kidney with irregularity of surface and marked atrophy of cortex in relation to dilated calyces associated with current acute bacterial infection of renal parenchyma (Thomsen and Ladefoged, ٢٠٠٢).

Interstitial fibrosis, plasma cell infiltration, periglomerular fibrosis, dilated lymphatics and sometimes endarteritis are presented in biopsies of chronic pyelonephritic patients with proteinuria and renal failure (Kincaid-Smith, 1970).

#### 1.2.4.2. *Predisposing Factors of Chronic Pyelonephritis*

- ***Kidney Stones:*** In some cases, kidney stones can cause urinary tract obstruction that leads to infection, particularly pyelonephritis. If the obstruction persists for a long time, it leads to chronic pyelonephritis (Ng *et.al.*, 2002).
- ***Diabetes:*** Diabetes has significantly higher risk for asymptomatic bacteriuria. The risk for symptomatic complicated UTIs may also be higher in people with diabetes and chronic pyelonephritis is the common feature of diabetic urinary tract infection (Harding *et.al.*, 2002).
- ***Immunosuppressed Individuals:*** Those individuals are with higher risk for most common types of opportunistic infections including the recurrent UTI and the pyelonephritis (Hedges, 1992).
- ***Prostate Conditions in Men:*** Benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH) can produce obstruction in the urinary tract and increase the risk for infection; if the condition persists for a long time, it may cause kidney infection (Eykyun *et.al.*, 1982).
- ***Genetic Factors:*** The blood group P<sup>1</sup> individuals are more susceptible to the chronic pyelonephritis than others (Kinane *et.al.*, 1982).

- ***Chronic Spinal Cord Injury (Neurogenic bladder) and Catheters:***  
The use of the catheter for long time or all the life gives higher risk for pyelonephritis and sometimes with no symptoms that the chronic spinal injury may cause a hyperreflexic bladder, and the most common outflow problem in this group was type 3 detrusor-sphincter dyssynergia which lead to silent upper tract damage (Gerridzen *et.al.*, 1992).
- ***Analgesic Nephropathy:*** The use of analgesia and more specifically NSAIDs affects the function of kidneys and some time it leads to serious condition like obstructive type of chronic pyelonephritis (Fairley and Kincaid-Smith, 1978).

#### **1.2.4.3. Age Incidence**

The disease affects all ages but commonly the middle age group is more susceptible. In upper urinary tract infection, the male is affected mostly between 60-80 years and the female is between 20-60 years (Bryan and Reynolds, 1984). The vesicouretric reflux represents 5% of all causes of chronic pyelonephritis and it is with greatest frequency in children and is less frequently documented in adults (Rossleigh, 2002).

#### **1.2.4.4. Sex Incidence**

The disease is more common in female than in male. The prevalence of recurrent upper UTI has increased from twofold to sixfold in female than in male (Kosakai *et.al.*, 1990). Although, two third and three quarters of reflux nephropathic patients are females (Winberg *et.al.*,

1982). Generally, the females are more susceptible to UTI than males because the urethra is shorter and nearer to anus more in females; in addition to the vaginal pathogens (Mims *et.al.*, 2004).

### **1.2.4.5. Types of Chronic Pyelonephritis**

Chronic pyelonephritis may be divided into two groups:

- Reflux chronic pyelonephritis (reflux nephropathy).
- Obstructive chronic pyelonephritis (Gowda *et.al.*, 2004).

#### **1.2.4.5.1. Vesico-Ureteric Reflux (VUR)**

Vesico-ureteric reflux (VUR) can be described as an abnormal backflow of urine from the bladder into the ureter and the kidney. It is one of the most common abnormalities of the renal tract, predisposing to infection and leads to necessitating thorough investigation of childhood urinary tract infection (Dillon and Goonasekera, 1998).

VUR is increased in twins and in several members of family that means it is an inherited defect. It is recorded greater in children and infants than in adults that up to 30-50% of children with UTI will have VUR detected at first presentation and one third of this group will have unilateral reflux nephropathy. It is more likely to be in female than in male (14% of female and 3% of male infants) (Kohler *et.al.*, 1997). Furthermore, Wolfish *et.al.* (1993) pointed out that 8% of VUR is transient and resolves spontaneously while Tepmongkol *et.al.* (2002)

observed that 59.2% of children with VUR have developed chronic pyelonephritis.

### **1.2.4.5.2. *Obstructive Chronic Pyelonephritis***

Obstruction of the urinary tract results in either increasing in back-pressure on the kidneys or increasing in frequency of urinary tract infections. Both of these factors are caused recurrent episodes of renal inflammation, scarring and parenchymal atrophy. Obstructive chronic pyelonephritis may be bilateral or unilateral, but in most cases, it is unilateral (Stamey, 1972).

The most common cause of obstructive type is the renal stone that is represents 44% of causes of chronic pyelonephritis (Ng *et.al.*, 2002). Their composition and size vary widely depending upon metabolic alterations and presence of infection. The staghorn calculi are the commonest cause of obstructive chronic pyelonephritis and they lead to superimpose of infection that is due to either mucosal trauma and/or obstruction (Nemoy and Stamey, 1981).

Other less common cause of obstructive chronic pyelonephritis is a renal papillary necrosis that represents 4% of all causes of chronic pyelonephritis (Ng *et.al.*, 2002). This occurred mostly due to analgesic nephropathy or diabetes. It is associated commonly with sterile pyuria (Fairley and Kincaid-Smith, 1978).

### 1.2.4.6. *Clinical Features*

**Asymptomatic:** It is important to note that there may be no history of previous urinary symptoms with radiological signs of chronic pyelonephritis in absence of acute infection (Schaeffer, 1987). Gaymans *et.al.* (1986) showed that 3% of female with upper urinary tract infection have asymptomatic in age between 16-60 years.

**Symptomatic:** Most patients with non-obstructive chronic pyelonephritis do not have specific symptomatology of the disease and present with the sequels of hypertension or end-stage renal disease. Significant urologic symptoms usually occur in patients with obstruction (Massey, 2004). The clinical features in those with chronic renal damage differ slightly in children than in adults but the commonest clinical features are (Jacobson, 1991):

- Constant dull flank pain and some time back pain.
- Intermittent fever.
- Urinary symptoms (frequency, polyuria, nocturia, dysuria and urgency).
- Nausea with or without vomiting, loss of appetite and weight.

### 1.2.4.7. *Diagnosis*

- **Urinalysis:**

A- Pyuria: is a common feature in chronic pyelonephritis and it is more important than bacteriuria but the patients may be presented with sterile

urine. Pus cells are present in urine of normal subjects if there are no more than 5-10 leukocytes in high power field (Spencer, 1994).

B- RBCs: There should be only an occasional red blood cell in the urine (5-10/high power field) and more than these might commonly associate with severe infection or stones (Hamburger *et.al.*, 1998).

C- Crystals: may give an idea about the type of stone present there. There are cystine, oxalate, phosphate, struvite, urate and uric acid crystals (Bradley *et.al.*, 1984).

D- Casts: are protein coagulum that formed in the renal tubules and trap any tubular luminal contents within the matrix. Thamm-Horsfall mucoprotein is basic matrix of all renal casts. These types are hyaline, cellular (RBC cast and WBC cast), granular and waxy cast. They appeared in urine only due to renal insufficiency (Wagner *et.al.*, 1986). WBC casts may be presented in the patients with chronic pyelonephritis (Massey, 1994).

E- Proteinuria: is presented in the patients with chronic pyelonephritis as part of complication of disease. Proteinuria means greater than 3 gm of protein excreted per 24 hours. Its component is albumin and it means abnormal protein excreted in urine due to renal insufficiency (Robinson, 1980).

F- Reaction: is measured by dipstick that normal pH is between 6.0-7.0. In UTI, it is important to reflect the bacterial agents or the type of the stone that if pH is greater than 7.0 (alkaline urine) which may mean

*Proteus* is a causative agent or struvite stone is presented (Woolhandler *et.al.*, 1989).

- **Urine culture:** to detect the causative microorganism, the culture may be negative.
- **Blood sample:** to assess the renal function including blood urea and serum creatinine (Baum *et.al.*, 1980).
- **Renal ultrasonography images** may show size, scarring of kidney, and the calculi if present (Farmer *et.al.*, 2002).
- **Intravenous Urography (IVU):** It helps to establish the diagnosis of pyelonephritis because they reveal caliceal dilatation and blunting with cortical scars. Ureteral dilatation and reduced renal size also may be evident. There may be also cortical thinning over pelvo-calyceal lesions (Teplick, 1988).
- **Computerized Tomographic scan (CT scan):** It is the procedure of choice to help diagnose chronic pyelonephritis (Gerzof and Gale, 1982).
- **Voiding cystourethrogram (VCUG):** The findings may document the reflux of urine to the renal pelvis and ureteral dilatation in children with gross reflux (Ilyas *et.al.*, 2002).
- **Radioisotopic scanning with technetium dimercaptosuccinic acid:** It is more sensitive than intravenous urography for helping detect renal scars. This is the preferred test for many pediatric nephrologists and radiologists because it is sensitive and easy to

perform and can detect VUR and renal scarring (Carroll *et.al.*, ۱۹۸۱).

- **Cystoscopy:** It is showed the evidence of reflux at the ureteral orifices or site of kidney stone (Ilyas *et.al.*, ۲۰۰۲).

#### ۱.۲.۴.۸. **Management:**

The management of recurrent urinary tract infection required more prolonged treatment. Therefore, the management of chronic pyelonephritis can be treated according to the cause and stage of disease into the following:

##### **A- Medical Care**

- Long-term antibiotics therapy had been used. Single antibiotic was recommended while frequent alteration in antibiotic therapy may lead to development of resistance (Falkiner *et.al.*, ۱۹۸۳). Previously amoxicillin, first-generation cephalosporins and trimethoprim–sulfamethoxazole (TMP–SMX) were first-choice agents for treating of chronic pyelonephritis. However, because of the development of resistance, amoxicillin and first-generation cephalosporins are no longer empirically recommended for these patients. In addition, there is increasing concern about the long use of TMP–SMX resistance rates; therefore, other antibiotic are recommended for treating these cases like third generation cephalosporins and fluoroquinolones or according to the culture and sensitivity (Robert, ۱۹۹۹).

- Analgesia to relieve the pain.

## **B- Surgical Care**

- Surgery for severe reflux involves reimplantation of the ureters with the creation of an adequate submucosal tunnel and detrusor support (Noe, 1992)
- Surgery for removing the kidney stones if they cannot release by supportive treatment (Gleckman *et.al.*, 1982).
- Nephrectomy is indicated in unilateral chronic pyelonephritis when the diseased kidney contributes less than 20% of total renal function with or without large infected stone or in renin-mediated hypertension (Gleckman *et.al.*, 1982).

### **1.2.4.1) Antibiotics for Patients with Chronic Pyelonephritis:**

#### **1) Amoxicillin**

It is semisynthetic antibiotic from penicillin group that interferes with synthesis of cell wall mucopeptides during active multiplication of bacteria, resulting in bactericidal activity against gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria. In past, it has been used frequently for treatment of UTI. Now, most bacteria presented in UTI have high resistance to amoxicillin as shown by Sakran *et.al.* (2003) who observed that only 02% of bacterial UTI responded to amoxicillin. In addition, Leblebicioglu and Esen (2003) and Aggarwal *et.al.* (2003) showed that more than 93% of *E.coli* and 88.0% of *K.pneumonia* isolated from patients with UTI were resistant to amoxicillin. *Enterobacter*,

*Acinetobacter* and *Corynebacterium spp.* have a high resistance to amoxicillin (Zhou *et.al.*, २००२; Savov *et.al.*, २००२; Suarez *et.al.*, २००२).

### १) Cephalosporins

All first three generations of cephalosporins have oral preparations that have used for treatment of recurrent UTI (Wilhelm and Edson, १९८१).

**a- First generation cephalosporins:** They arrest bacterial growth by inhibiting bacterial cell wall synthesis. The bactericidal activity is against gram-positive bacteria and the administration is either oral (cefadroxil, cephalixin and cephadrine) or parenteral (cephalothin, cephalozin and cephadrine). Now, the usage of first generation cephalosporins is limited because of high resistance to it (Martinez *et.al.*, १९९०).

**b- Second generation cephalosporins:** They have bactericidal activity that inhibits bacterial cell wall synthesis. It has greater activity against anaerobic bacteria and the administration is either oral (cefaclor and cefuroxime axetile) or parenteral (cefamandole, cefmetazole, cefotetan, cefoxitin and cefuroxime). Second generation cephalosporins has limited use that Dumpis *et.al.* (२००३) showed that only २१% of patients with hospital-acquired UTI responded to second-generation cephalosporins.

**c- Third generation cephalosporins:** They have bactericidal action that inhibits cell wall synthesis. They are highly stable in the presence of  $\beta$ -lactamase enzyme and they are effective in wide range of hospital-acquired and nosocomial bacterial infections. The administration is either oral (cefixime, cefpodoxime and ceftibuten) or parenteral

(cefotaxime, ceftriaxone, ceftazidime and ceftizoxime). These drugs are excreted in bile, therefore they may use for patients with renal insufficiency (Katzung, २००२).

The third generation cephalosporin has been affected in bacterial UTI that more than 80% and 91% of bacteria isolated from patients with UTI were sensitive to cefotaxime and ceftriaxone respectively (Gordon and Jones, २००३ and Ghireo *et.al.*, २००२). In addition, 98% of *Acinetobacter* isolated from patients with UTI were also sensitive to cefotaxime (Irgbu *et.al.*, २००३) but Zhou *et.al.* (२००३) showed that *Enterobacter* had high resistance to cefotaxime.

#### 7) Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole (TMP-SMX)

A combination of trimethoprim and sulfamethoxazole inhibits bacterial growth by inhibiting synthesis of dihydrofolic acid. It is represented the essential co-factor of purine, pyrimidine and amino acid synthesis. Its antibacterial activity includes most common urinary tract pathogens except *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. The combination is contributed to the efficacy in treatment of upper UTI via synergistic bactericidal effect and may diminish the emergence of resistance (Burman, 1986).

Nowadays, the resistance to TMP-SMX is slightly increased that 50% of bacterial UTI were resistant to it including 11% of *E.coli* and 52% of *S.epidermidis* isolated from patients with UTI (Ghireo *et.al.*, २००२ and Jureen *et.al.*, २००३).

#### է) Nitrofurantoin

It is synthetic nitrofurantoin that interferes with bacterial carbohydrate metabolism by inhibiting acetylcoenzyme A. It is bacteriostatic at low concentrations, bactericidal at higher concentrations, and effective against most uropathogens but not *Pseudomonas* and *Proteus* species. It is presented for brief periods at high concentrations in the urine and leads to repeated elimination of bacteria from urine (Stamey *et.al.*, 1987). The risk of adverse reaction increases with age and long-term therapy; therefore, should be monitored (Holmberg *et.al.*, 1980).

Nitrofurantoin has low resistant rate than other old antibiotics that only 4% of bacteria isolated from patients with recurrent UTI were resistant to it (Leblebicioglu and Esen, 2003).

#### ժ) Fluoroquinolones

They are bactericidal drugs that act as inhibitors of bacterial DNA gyrase enzyme (which responsible for supercoiling of bacterial DNA). They affected against gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria. Recently, the oral administration of fluoroquinolones like nalidixic acid, ciprofloxacin, levofloxacin, ofloxacin, norfloxacin and others used for empirical treatment of UTI. They increased considerably for managing of complicated UTI particularly chronic pyelonephritis due to the ability to treat difficult pathogens with high antibiotic resistance like *Pseudomonas*. They can be administered parenterally, and then they can easily switch to oral administration and have limited use in patients with renal insufficiency (Dalkin and Schaeffer, 1988).

Bacterial resistance to fluoroquinolones initially appeared to be uncommon, but it is reported at increasing rate due to indiscriminate use of these agents (Acar and Francoul, 1990; Wright *et.al.*, 1993)

### 7) Aminoglycosides

It is bacteriostatic action such as streptomycin, gentamicin, amikacin, netilmicin and tobramycin. Gentamicin is effective but it is associated with a risk of nephrotoxicity and ototoxicity, making tobramycin possible alternatives. Because gentamicin is stored in renal tissues, it can prevent acute retrograde pyelonephritis. Since different aminoglycosides accumulate and persist to various degrees in the kidney parenchyma, they have protective activity of aminoglycosides against renal scarring (chronic pyelonephritis). These results suggest that renal accumulation and persistence of aminoglycosides may be used to advantage in the prophylaxis or in the treatment of kidney infections (Robert, 1999). Gentamycin is cost-effective parenteral therapy because only once-daily dosing needed and has a good sensitivity against gram-negative uropathogens (90%) and it can be in combination with TMP-SMX against gram-positive uropathogens (100%) (Ghiro *et.al.*, 2002).

### 8) Tetracycline and Doxycycline

Tetracycline is a broad-spectrum bacteriostic antibiotic prepared from the cultures of certain *Streptomyces* species. It is active against wide rang of gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria with *Mycoplasma* and *Chlamydia*. It is used as alternative antibiotic when Pencillin is contraindicated (Yu *et.al.*, 1999).

Doxycycline is a semisynthetic tetracycline with lower side effect, sensitive for treatment of the complicated UTI with *Staphylococcus* or *Pseudomonas spp.* (Saber, ۲۰۰۲).

#### ۱) **Vancomycin**

It is glycopeptides with very large molecules therefore it has difficulty penetrating into gram-negative cells and it is poorly absorbed orally therefore it is given intravenously for therapy of systemic infections (Abernethy *et.al.*, ۲۰۰۲).

The bactericidal action of it results primarily from inhibition of cell wall biosynthesis. In addition, vancomycin alters bacterial cell membrane permeability and RNA synthesis and there is no cross resistance between vancomycin and other antibiotics. It is active against *Staphylococcus*, *Streptococcus*, *Clostridium difficile* and *Diphtheroids* and when the patients have allergy to penicillin, vancomycin used as alternative against gram-positive bacteria. It has nephrotoxic, ototoxic, and some time haemopoietic toxicity (Moellering *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۱)

*Staphylococcus spp.*, *Enterococcus spp.* and *Corynebacterium spp.* isolated from patients with complicated UTI may have sensitivity to vancomycin (Guirguitzova *et.al.*, ۲۰۰۲; Ryan and Murray, ۱۹۹۴).

#### ۱.۲.۴.۹. **Complications**

**(A) Proteinuria:** The patients with radiological evidence of VUR and chronic pyelonephritis without associated glomerulonephritis might have proteinuria (more than ۲ gm/۲۴ hours) with or without reducing in renal function (Dayan and Smith, ۱۹۸۶).

**(B) Hypertension:** Hypertension contributes to the accelerated loss of renal function in persons with this disease. Reflux nephropathy is the most common cause of hypertension in children, occurring in 10-20% of children with VUR and renal scars. Chronic pyelonephritis may develop after repeated episodes of acute pyelonephritis and this may lead to impaired renal function and hypertension (Huland *et.al.*, 1982). Gower (1986) showed that 40% of women with chronic pyelonephritis have hypertension at first presentation (28% unilateral and 12% bilateral).

**(C) Renal failure:** The principal complication of bilateral chronic pyelonephritis is end stage renal failure that 30% of all childhood renal failure and 20% of adult renal failure caused by chronic pyelonephritis (Huland and Busch, 1982). Uremia, acidosis, hypocalcaemia and hyperphosphataemia are represented the early complications of renal failure in patients with chronic pyelonephritis. These symptoms presented insidiously and associated with stage of renal failure. In UK, 1.9% of patients with chronic pyelonephritis had end-to-end stage renal failure (Nuutiuen *et.al.*, 1999).

## 1.2.5. Bacteriological Agents

### 1.2.5.1. *Enterobacteriaceae*

They are gram-negative bacilli; normally habituate in the intestinal tract of human being. Some of them act as a part of a normal flora and incidentally causes the diseases while others are pathogenic for humans. They possessed a complex antigenic structure and produced a variety of enzymes and toxins with other virulence factors (Mims *et.al.*, 2004).

**Table (۲.۱)** Biochemical tests of *Enterobacteriaceae* modified from (Brooks *et.al.*, ۲۰۰۱).

<b>Test</b>	<i>E.coli</i>	<i>K.pneumonia</i>	<i>Proteus</i>	<i>Enterobacter</i>	<i>Serratia</i>
<b>EMB</b>	metallic	Centrally dark	pale	Centrally dark	Centrally dark
<b>LF</b>	+	+	-	+	+
<b>Catalase</b>	+	+	+	+	+
<b>Oxidase</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Indol</b>	+	-	±	-	-
<b>MR</b>	+	-	±	-	-
<b>VP</b>	-	+	-	+	+
<b>Urease</b>	-	+	+	-	-
<b>Citrate</b>	-	+	±	+	+
<b>Motility</b>	±	-	+	+	+
<b>TSI</b>	A/Alk± G	A ± G	Alk±G	A ± G	Alk ± G
<b>H<sub>2</sub>S</b>	-	-	+	-	-

A acid.  
Alk alkaline.  
G gas.

#### ۱.۲.۵.۱.۱. *E.coli*

It is a member of *Enterobacteriaceae* and it is the most common cause of urinary tract infections arising outside of a hospital setting. These strains have PAP pili as well as CFA's (CFA/I, CFA/II, CFA/III). The pili are responsible for adherence in the urinary tract epithelium that the adhesin has important role in pathogenesis of chronic pyelonephritis and associated with severity of disease (Matsumoto *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۰). The capsule of *E.coli* represented the antigenic structure (K antigen) and it is highly associated with the pathogenesis of pyelonephritis, so that K antigen of *E.coli* help in the attachment of bacteria to the epithelial cells prior to the urinary tract invasion. Nephropathogenic *E.coli* may produce

hemolysin as a part of the virulence factors in complicated UTI and this is not well clear on blood agar (Eisenstein and Azaleznik, ۲۰۰۰). Some strains are urease-producing *E.coli* and they are commonly presented in complicated UTI (Collins and Falkow, ۱۹۹۰). The antibiotic resistance of *E.coli* isolated from UTI is highly increased due to the abuse of antibiotics from the patients in addition to the toxins and enzymes like endotoxin and  $\beta$ -lactamase that play an important role in the virulence of bacteria.

The recent studies showed that ۴۷% of patients with UTI have *E.coli* in their cultures (Gordon and Jones, ۲۰۰۳). The incidence of urinary tract infection with *E.coli* is decreased due to the increase of the nosocomial infection of urinary tract (Schrier and Gottschalk, ۱۹۹۶).

#### ۱.۲.۵.۱.۲. *Klebsiella pneumoniae*

*Klebsiella* is a member of the family *Enterobacteriaceae*. Colonies are large and highly mucoid. It is most common cause of hospital-acquired urinary tract infections or burn wound infections. The autoimmune disease (ankylosing spondylitis) is thought to be a possible sequel of *Klebsiella* infection (Abbott, ۱۹۹۹) but the virulence of *Klebsiella* is not well understood, but its antiphagocytic capsule plays a role in the infections by preventing phagocytosis. It is thought that aerobactin, an iron-binding protein, and the production of  $\beta$ -lactamase enzyme contribute to pathogenicity and antibiotic resistance of bacteria. Some strains of *Klebsiella* produced hemagglutinins (may be a mannose-sensitive phenotype) and they may be associated with the pathogenicity

of the bacteria in UTI (Podschun and Sahly, 1991). Agapova *et.al.* (1999) showed that 30% of *Klebsiella* isolated from UTI produced gelatinase enzyme that play an important role in the inflammatory process of UTI.

#### 1.2.5.1.3. *Proteus mirabilis*

*Proteus* is a member of the family *Enterobacteriaceae*. *Proteus spp.* cannot ferment the lactose, can produce disease only when leave the intestinal tract, and they produce the urease enzyme. This enzyme urease, which catalyzes the splitting of urea into ammonia and carbon dioxide, causes the pH of urine to rise with allowing unchecked growth of the bacteria. The higher pH is also toxic to renal cells and potentiates the formation of urinary stones. These stones can cause *Proteus* infections to be chronic, as organisms can remain viable within the stones during therapy (Farmer, 2000). The adhesin for urinary epithelium and the organism's rapid motility are also involved in the pathogenesis of the urinary tract infections. In addition, the endotoxin may play a role in the antibiotic resistance and the virulence of bacteria (Gilchrist, 1990).

#### 1.2.5.1.4. *Enterobacter spp.*

They are one of member of *Enterobacteriaceae* and they are one of the causes of opportunistic urinary tract infections in human being. They have a small capsule but their ability of adherence to urinary epithelium, their motility and the siderophore production contributed to the pathogenesis in UTI. In addition, the production of enzymes and

endotoxins has an important role in virulence and antibiotic resistance of bacteria (Gilchrist, 1990). *Enterobacter* can produce antibacterial substance that has antagonistic activity against a wide range of bacteria except *Acinetobacter* and *Pseudomonas* (Ya-ping *et.al.*, 2003).

#### 1.2.5.1.5. *Serratia spp.*

They are lactose-fermented gram-negative short rods *Enterobacteriaceae* with one to two flagella. They represented as opportunistic pathogens with wide ranges of infectivity in nosocomial infections like respiratory or urinary tracts infections. The virulence of bacteria commonly associated with the production of urease enzyme, haemolysin enzyme, siderophore and extracellular protease like gelatinase enzyme with presence of fimbriae help in adhesion of bacteria (either mannose-sensitive or mannose-resistant fimbriae) (Marumo *et.al.*, 1990). Swarming motility characterized to the bacteria on solid or viscous media due to presence of flagella. The production of  $\beta$ -lactamase enzyme has given to bacteria high resistance to several antibiotics like that in *Pseudomonas* bacteria (Kouda *et.al.*, 1990).

#### 1.2.5.2. *Staphylococcal spp.*

They are gram-positive spherical bacteria usually arranged in grape like irregular clusters. They are a normal flora of human skin and mucous membranes and their spread is either endogenously or from infected skin. They have many species but the main three species are *S.aureus*, *S.epidermidis* and *S.saprophyticus*. The pathogenicity of *Staphylococci* is contributed to hemolysis of the blood, coagulation of

the plasma and production of extracellular enzymes and toxins (Mims *et.al.*, ۲۰۰۴).

**Table (۲.۲):** Biochemical tests of *Staphylococcal spp* modified from (Brooks *et.al.*, ۲۰۰۱).

Test	<i>S.aureus</i>	<i>S.epidermidis</i>	<i>S.saprophyticus</i>
<b>Catalase</b>	+	+	+
<b>Oxidase</b>	-	-	-
<b>Coagulase</b>	+	-	-
<b>Mannitol ferm.</b>	+	-	-
<b>Resist to Novobiocin</b>	†	-	+
<b>Urease</b>	-	±	±
<b>Hemolysin</b>	+	-	±

† Novobiocin used only to distinguish between *S.epidermidis* and *S.saprophyticus*.

#### ۱.۲.۵.۲.۱. *S.aureus*

It is coagulase positive *Staphylococci*, presented significantly in greater percentage of people in the hospital setting that the carrier state serves as reservoir for infection of hospitalized patients (Todar, ۲۰۰۱). *S.aureus* has a polysaccharide capsule to protect it from phagocytosis and the cell wall composed of peptidoglycan and teichoic acid moieties that protect it from lyses by osmotic condition and aid the bacteria to attach to mucosal surfaces. The virulence of the bacteria occurred by secretion of toxins and enzymes which act on host cell membrane and mediated the cell destruction. It is penicillin-resistance bacteria due to produce of  $\beta$ -lactamase enzyme that is chromosomally resistance.

Clinically significant methicillin-resistant *S.aureus* (MRSA) caused nosocomial infections and hospital-acquired UTI and it is the commonest cause of bacteremia in human being (Takahaski *et.al.*, 1999). The kidney infection caused by bacteremia is 30%, only 3% caused by *S.aureus* (Horcajada *et.al.*, 1999).

#### 1.2.5.2.2. *S.epidermidis*

It is a coagulase negative *Staphylococci* and a common member of the normal flora of skin and mucous membranes. Its large numbers and ubiquitous distribution make it one of the most commonly isolated organisms in the clinical laboratory. The first appearance of *S.epidermidis* in clinical material could dismiss as contamination; it is now one of the most important agents of hospital-acquired infections. Immunosuppressed patients are particularly at risk, as are individuals with indwelling catheters or prosthetic devices (Baron *et.al.*, 1996). The hydrophobic nature of the organism's cell surface facilitates its adherence to synthetic devices. Following initial colonization, a copious amount of extracellular polysaccharide or slime is synthesized that forming a protective biofilm around the colony. Because many isolates are multiple antibiotic resistant, these infections are very serious and can even be fatal. In complicated UTI, *S.epidermidis* is represented more than 20% as a nosocomial infection (Guirguitzova *et.al.*, 2002).

#### 1.2.5.2.3. *S.saprophyticus*

It is coagulase negative *Staphylococci*, commonly isolated from uncomplicated urinary tract infection in nonhospitalized patients,

notably sexually active woman. *S.saprophyticus* may also be involved in recurrent infection and in stone formation that the incidence of *S.saprophyticus* in urinary tract infection varies according the institutions and the geographical areas (Todar, ٢٠٠١). It is resistant to several antibiotics such novobiocin and nalidixic acid. Although the species do not produce number of extracellular products but it may produce hemolysin and the antiphagocytic capsule that the production of the slime may correlate with pathogenicity and bacterial adherence (Baron *et.al.*, ١٩٩٦).

#### ١.٢.٥.٣. *Pseudomonas and Acinetobacter*

**Table (٢.٣):** Diagnostic and biochemical tests of *P.aeruginosa* and *Acinetobacter* modified from (Brooks *et.al.*, ٢٠٠١).

Test	<i>P.aeruginosa</i>	<i>Acinetobacter</i>
<b>LF</b>	–	–
<b>Catalase</b>	+	+
<b>Oxidase</b>	+	–
<b>Indol</b>	–	–
<b>MR</b>	+	–
<b>VP</b>	–	+
<b>Urease</b>	±	–
<b>Citrate</b>	+	–
<b>Motility</b>	+	–
<b>TSI</b>	Alk ± G	Alk ± G
<b>H<sup>2</sup>S</b>	–	–

Alk      alkaline.  
G        gas.

#### 1.2.5.3.1. *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*

It is non-fermentative aerobic gram-negative bacilli. It has one of the broadest ranges of infectivity among all pathogenic microorganisms as opportunistic pathogens. It is a significant cause of burn wound infection and nosocomial infection in human body like respiratory tract infection in patients with cystic fibrosis, eye infection and genitourinary tract infection in immuno-compromized patients (Bodey, 1983).

The pathogenicity of the bacteria contributed to the virulence factors of it. The capsule or slime layer is associated in adherence and effectively protected the bacteria from phagocytosis. The productions of extracellular protease, cytotoxins and hemolysin have an important role in virulence; in addition, the siderophore production under low iron condition helps the growth of pathogen (Woods and Iglewski, 1983).

#### 1.2.5.3.2. *Acinetobacter spp.*

Non-lactose fermented gram-negative cocci bacteria are related to the *Neisseria* group. They are an important cause of nosocomial infection in human being like burn infection, respiratory tract infection and urinary tract infection and they affected severally ill patients (Koelman *et.al.*, 1997). The long established catheterization is commonly associated with *Acinetobacter* infection that 22% of bacteria isolated from patients with UTI are *Acinetobacter spp.* (Ayan *et.al.*, 2003; Joshi *et.al.*, 2003). The pathogenicity of bacteria is related to presence of small capsule and production of  $\beta$ -lactamase enzyme similar to that of MRSA bacteria with high antibiotic resistance (Iskandar *et.al.*, 2003). In addition, they have no adhesive agents like that of *E.coli* and

some species produced lipase, histamine, siderophore, and other produced haemolysin (Hostacka, ۲۰۰۳).

**Table (۲.۳):** The diagnostic and biochemical tests of *Corynebacterium* and *Enterococcus spp* modified from (Brooks *et.al.*, ۲۰۰۱).

Test	<i>Corynebacterium</i>	<i>Enterococcus</i>
On MacConcky	–	+
Catalase	+	–
Oxidase	+	–
Esculin	–	+
Urease	+	–
Motility	–	–

#### ۱.۲.۵.۴. *Corynebacterium spp.*

Nineteen species with the genus of *Corynebacterium* recovered from human clinical material. The commonest species that cause UTI in human being is *C.urealyticum* that was isolated from ۰.۳۲% patients with recurrent UTI, ۱۶% of them had complicated UTI mostly with prolonged hospitalization and urological manipulation (Suarez *et.al.*, ۲۰۰۲). *C.urealyticum* (formerly *Corynebacterium group D* ۲) has implicated as a cause of alkaline-encrusted cystitis and urinary tract struvite calculi. Despite preselecting urine specimens with neutral and alkaline pH and using prolonged incubation on blood and chocolate agars, isolation of this organism was rarely observed in a population of hospitalized patients (Ryan and Murray, ۱۹۹۴). The routine cultures are not recommended for this organism unless the urine is alkaline and struvite

crystals, leukocytes, and erythrocytes are present in urine examination (Craig *et.al.*, 1994).

#### 1.2.5.5. *Enterococcus spp.*

*Enterococcus spp.* is gram-positive bacteria that they are modern classification group *D Streptococci* and they can use as indicators of water faecal contamination (Baron *et.al.*, 1996). *Enterococci* have become recognised as serious nosocomial pathogens causing bacteraemia, endocarditis, urinary tract infections and other infections. This is in part explained by the resistance of some of these bacteria to most antibiotics that are currently in use. Resistance is acquired by gene transfer systems. Virulence of *Enterococci* is not well understood but adhesins, haemolysin, hyaluronidase, aggregation substance and gelatinase are putative virulence factors (Franz *et.al.*, 1999).

#### 1.2.5.6. *Mycoplasma spp.*

They are important pathogens that infected the human genitourinary tract. They are the smallest organisms which are able to survive extracellularly and highly pleomorphic because they lack a rigid cell wall therefore they are completely resistance to  $\beta$ -lactam groups but they can inhibit by tetracycline and erythromycin groups (Waites and Taylor-Robinson, 1999).

The species that infect the genitourinary tract of human are *M.hominis*, *M.genitalium* and *Ureaplasma urealyticum*. The first two species may cause urethritis or postpartum fever and lead to recurrent UTI or may be asymptotically present. *U.urealyticum* is caused a non-gonococcal urethritis in males but in females, it may lead to

chorioaminionitis and causes low birth weight baby. *M.hominis* also causes arthritis, wound infection, neonatal meningitis and bacteremia (Taylor-Robinson, 2000).

#### 1.2.5.7. *Chlamydia spp.*

They are obligate intracellular bacteria. The species that causes genitourinary tract infections is *Chlamydia trachomatis* that leads to sexually transmitted disease including non-gonococcal urethritis, cervicitis, proctitis and epididymitis which may lead to chronic pyelonephritis with pyuria and no usual bacteria. In addition, 60% of patients with non-gonococcal urethritis are caused by *C.trachomatis* mostly in males (Fraiz and Jones, 1988).

#### 1.2.6. *Virulence Factors*

For a UTI to occur, the pathogens must be able to attach to the urinary epithelium, avoid removal by the host and then cause inflammation. Since, they possess a variety of virulence factors which are involved in the sequence of events leading to infection (Johnson *et.al.*, 1998).

##### 1.2.6.1. *Capsule of the Bacteria*

Some strains of bacteria may have a capsule around the bacterial wall which is a polysaccharide material and it is represented an important virulence factor in some bacterial species such as *Streptococcus* and *Klebsiella*. It is contributed to adhesion and prevented from

phagocytosis. Most of these antiphagocytic surface structures show much antigenic heterogeneity that the antibodies against one type of the antiphagocytic factor protect the host from disease caused by bacteria of that type but not from those with other types of the same factor (Robbins *et.al.*, 1980).

Although, the slime layer is enclosed around the bacterial wall and it consisted of polysaccharide and proteins, it has toxic effect on the phagocytic cells and T lymphocytes that leading to deficiency in the immunity of the host. The slime layer is commonly presented in most *Enterobacteriaceae* (Obana and Nishino, 1988).

#### **1.2.6.2. Haemolysin Production**

It is a metabolic virulence factors that allows the colonising bacteria to survive. The synthesis of cytotoxic hemolysins is common between both gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria. The production of  $\alpha$ -haemolysin or  $\beta$ -hemolysin has lysed the host cells by creating transmembranous pores (Nassif and Sansonett, 1987). Beta-haemolysins inhibit phagocytosis and chemotaxis of neutrophils. This hemolytic phenomenon was shown to be cell associated and could be demonstrated only by actively growing and multiplying cells in the presence of erythrocytes. The hemolytic factor seems to be strongly cell associated and not stable, since no hemolytic activity was observed in cell-free supernatants and filtrates of bacterial cultures (Falkow, 1988).

### **1.2.6.3. *Extracellular Protease Production***

Many species of bacteria produce some enzymes that are not intrinsically toxic but play important roles in the infectious process like collagenase enzymes, which promote the spread of infection in tissue or elastase (or called gelatinase) enzymes that cleaves the collagen, IgG, IgA and complement leading to lyses the fibronectin and promote bacterial attachment on the surface. In addition, alkaline protease (or metalloproteases) is another extracellular protease enzyme that interferes with fibrin formation leading to lyses the fibrin (Fredricks and Relman, 1996).

These extracellular protease enzymes are allowed the pathogens to inactivate the primary antibody found on mucosal surfaces, eliminate the protection of the host by the antibody and acting on various steps related to nutrition acquisition. They are regulatory enzymes than as enzymes participating in processes of inactivation and catabolism (Juarez and Stinson, 1999).

### **1.2.6.4. *Colonization Factor Antigens***

#### **Fimbriae and adherence ability**

Bacterial adhesion to epithelial surfaces is thought to be one of the most important virulence factors, playing a significant role in the initiation of UTI. The bacterial adhesion capacity is most frequently associated with the presence of fimbriae on bacterial cells. It has been shown that fimbriae are responsible for the attachment of bacteria to

uroepithelial cells. By electron microscopy, it was possible to see bacteria with fimbriae bound to renal pelvic mucosa. In contrast to this effect, fimbriae diminished the ability of bacterial rods to infect the renal parenchyma by the hematogenous route. Studies in vitro have shown that fimbriae enhance the binding of bacterial cells to uroepithelial cells but the pathogen becomes more susceptible to phagocytosis (Silverblatt and Ofek, 1988). Previous ultrastructural studies of bacterial strains have shown two types of fimbriae (1) thick (approximately 10 nm in filament diameter) and (2) thin (4 nm in diameter). The first type, also known as type IV fimbriae, found to be mannose resistant and was named *Proteus*-like fimbriae (MR/P). The second type is the type III fimbriae, which are mannose-resistant and was named *Klebsiella*-like fimbriae (MR/K). These types of fimbriae are associated with their ability to hemagglutinate untreated (MR/P) or tannic acid-treated (MR/K) erythrocytes from several animal species. The MR/K phenomenon was associated only with the hemagglutination pattern of bacteria and loosely correlated with the expression of fimbriae; therefore, it was called MR/K hemagglutinins rather than MR/K fimbriae (Clegg and Gerlach, 1987).

Pyelonephritis-associated pili (pap-fimbriae) are related to type 1 fimbriae or MS-fimbriae. Uroepithelial cells from the patients with chronic pyelonephritis and renal insufficiency had a higher binding capacity of P-fimbriated *Escherichia coli* than uroepithelial cells from patients with a normal glomerular filtration rate (Matsumoto *et.al.*, 1990).

### 1.2.6.5. *Siderophores Production*

Iron is critical to growth and metabolism of nearly all living organisms, prokaryotic and eukaryotic. Limiting the concentration of free extracellular iron is a strategy of host defense against pathogenic microorganisms that practiced by many animal species. Many bacterial pathogens secrete highly efficient low-molecular-weight iron chelating agents, termed siderophores (Bradley *et.al.*, 2000).

These agents compete for and bind available iron. The siderophore-iron complexes are recognized by the bacteria, which then internalize the iron. It is a high-affinity iron assimilation system. This system has the ability of induction of multivalent cationic metals and it is unaffected when the cells are depleted of ATP or when receptor-mediated endocytosis is inhibited with dihydrocytochalasin. The ability to produce siderophores has linked to the pathogenic potential of many bacterial species including *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Escherichia coli*, *Vibrio cholerae* and others. At least some bacteria are also able to use exogenous siderophores that are present in the environment, with the presence of an iron chelate inducing synthesis of the cognate receptor. In the best characterized system, that of ferric-citrate uptake in *Escherichia coli*, binding of ferric citrate to outer membrane receptor protein initiates a signal-transduction pathway (Weinberg and Weinberg, 1990).

## **2. 1. PATIENTS AND MATERIALS**

### **2. 1. 1. Patients**

From September 2003 to June 2004, one hundred and two (102) chronic pyelonephritic patients visited Hilla Teaching Hospital-Department of Urology. Their ages range between 4-88 years with a mean ( $49 \pm 1.6$ ), 63 females and 39 males. All patients underwent the following laboratory investigations that included (General Urine Examination (GUE), Urine culture, B.urea, S.creatinine and R.B.sugar) and radiological investigation that included (abdominal Ultrasonography, Intravenous Urography (IVU) and Computerized Tomographic scan (CT scan). Urine samples were obtained from them either from midstream, bladder catheter, ureteric catheter of cystoscopy or direct from renal pelvis. None of them was on antibiotics; six (6) patients were diabetic.

### **2. 1. 2. Materials**

Many types of instruments and chemical materials, in addition to biological materials were used in this thesis to complete the research of it. These materials were taken from different sources and companies which listed in tables (2.1) and (2.2). The potency of antibiotics disks was listed in table (2.3).

**Table (٢.١):** List of Instruments Used.

<i>No</i>	<i>Instruments</i>	<i>Company</i>
١.	Sensitive electronic balance	A&D, Japan.
٢.	Autoclave	Stermite, Japan.
٣.	Incubator	Memmert, Germany.
٤.	Water bath	Memmert, Germany.
٥.	Distillator	GFL-Germany.
٦.	Centrifuge	Hermle, Japan.
٧.	Oven	Memmert, Germany.
٨.	Refrigerator	Concord, Italy.
٩.	Benson burner	Germany.
١٠.	Millipore filter	Satorius membrane filters Gm bH, W.Germany.
١١.	Light microscope	Olympus, Japan.
١٢.	Micropipette	Oxford, USA.
١٣.	pH meter	Hoeleze&Cheluis,KG, Germany.
١٤.	Inoculating loop	Japan
١٥.	Inoculating needle	Japan
١٦.	Biconcave slid	GFL-Germany.

**Table (2.2):** List of Biological and Chemical Materials.

<i>No</i>	<i>Chemical Materials</i>	<i>Company</i>
1.	Na <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub> ,KH <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> ,NaCl,NH <sub>4</sub> Cl,MgSO <sub>4</sub> ,CaCl <sub>2</sub> , KOH,K <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub> ,FeCl <sub>3</sub>	Merk- Darmstadt.
2.	Methyl red, α-naphthol, esculin, Tannic acid, Tetramethyl-P-paraphenylene diamine dihydrochloride, Kovac's Reagent.	B.D.H.
3.	H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> , Kovac's reagent, Urea solution, D- mannose, Glucose, 2,2-dipyridyl (Mwt.156.19), 99%Ethanol.	Fluka chemika- Switzerland
4.	MacConcky agar, Blood base agar, Muller-Hinton agar, Nutrient agar, Nutrient broth, Tryptic soy agar, Agar-Agar media, Peptone broth.	Mast Lab.- UK
5.	Urea base agar, Simon citrate agar, Kliglar Iron Agar, MR-VP broth.	Difco- Michigan.

**Table (۲.۳):** Antibiotics disk potency (OXIOD-England and TROGE-Hamburg).

Antibiotics	AMX	GM	CF	TE	TMX	VAN	CE	CXM	DOX	TF
Potency	۱.	۳.	۳.	۳.	۳.	۳.	۱.	۱.	۳.	۳.

- AMX – Amoxicillin, GM – Gentamicin, CF – Ciprofloxacin, TE – Tetracycline, TMX – Trimethoprim-Sulfamethoxazole, VAN – Vancomycin, CE – Cefotaxime, CXM – Cefixime, DOX – Doxycycline, TF-Nitrofurantoin.

## ۲. ۲. METHODOLOGY

### ۲. ۲. ۱. The Preparation of Reagents

۱) **Methyl red reagent:** ۰.۱ gm of Methyl red was dissolved in ۳۰۰ ml of ۹۹% ethanol and then the volume was completed to ۵۰۰ ml by distill water (Macfaddin, ۲۰۰۰).

#### ۲) **Voges-Proskauer reagent**

Reagent A) ۵ gm of  $\alpha$ -naphthol was dissolved in ۱۰۰ ml of ۹۹% ethanol.

Reagent B) ۴ gm of KOH was dissolved in ۱۰۰ ml of distill water (Collee *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۶).

۳) **Oxidase reagent:** It was prepared by dissolving of ۰.۱ gm of Tetra-P-*paraphenylene diamine dihydrochloride* in ۱۰ ml of distill water and stored in a dark container (Baron *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۶).

۴) **Catalase reagent:** It was prepared by dissolving ۳ gm of  $H_2O_2$  to ۱۰۰ ml of distill water and was stored it in dark container (Baron *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۶).

### **۲.۲.۲ The Preparation of Media**

۱) **M<sup>۱</sup> media:** ۶ gm of Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>, ۳ gm of KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, ۰.۵ gm of NaCl, ۱ gm of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl; all of them were dissolved in ۹۵ ml of distill water with ۲% agar and then were sterilized into autoclave and after cooling the mixture to ۵۰°C, ۲ ml of ۱M MgSO<sub>4</sub>, ۱۰ ml of ۲۰% glucose and ۰.۱ ml of ۱M CaCl<sub>2</sub> (all of them was sterilized separately by filtrations) were added to it, then the volume was completed to ۱۰۰۰ ml. (Miniatis *et.al.*, ۱۹۸۲)

۲) **Esculin media:** The esculin was ۶, ۷-dihydroxy coumarin ۶-glucoside which had inhibitory effect on xanthin oxidase enzyme (Capell *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۵). Esculin media was made from nutrient agar with ۰.۴ gm ferric ammonium citrate and ۵gm esculin then the volume was completed to ۱۰۰۰ ml. After that, the media were poured into tubes and sterilized them in autoclave then slants of media was formed (Macfaddin, ۲۰۰۰).

### **۲.۲.۳ The Preparation of Solutions**

۱) **Doxycycline solution:** ۰.۲ gm of Doxycyclin powder was dissolved in ۹۰ ml of ۷۰% ethanol then the volume was completed to ۱۰۰ ml. (the concentration is ۱۰۰ µg/ml).

۲) **Cefixime solution:** ۱ gm of Cefixime powder was dissolved in ۹۰ ml of sterile distill water then the volume was completed to ۱۰۰ ml. (the concentration is ۱۰۰ µg/ml) (Miniatis *et.al.*, ۱۹۸۲).

### **۲.۲.۴ The Preparation Phosphate Buffer Saline**

۸۰ gm of NaCl, ۰.۳۴ gm of KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, ۱.۱۲ gm of K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>; all of them were dissolved in ۱۰۰۰ ml of distill water. The pH was ۷.۳ then it was sterilized in autoclave (Baron *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۶).

### **۲. ۲. ۰. Urine sample**

The samples of urine were obtained from patients suffering from chronic pyelonephritis who visited Hilla Teaching Hospital-Department of Urology.

#### **۱. Bladder Sample**

- **Sample from Midstream Urine:** After cleaning the urethral area and allow the first drops of urine to pass, the samples of urine were collected in the sterilized screw-cap container.
- **Sample from Bladder Catheter:** At first, the urethral area was cleaned with soap and water and then the catheter was inserted into the bladder; allowing the first drops of urine to pass then collecting the remainder in the screw-cap container (Baron *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۶).

#### **۲. Kidney Samples**

- **Sample from nephrostomy:** The sample was obtained from the catheter of nephrostomy; which was collected in the screw-cap container.
- **Sample Direct from Renal Pelvis during Operation:** The sample was obtained from renal pelvis by sterile disposable syringe and putting it in a screw cap container.
- **Sample from Cystoscopy:** The sample was obtained by ureteric catheter of cystoscopy through passage of the catheter to renal pelvis and collecting the urine from the end of the catheter in sterial screw-cap container (Walsh *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۷).

### **2.2.6. Urinalysis**

A urinalysis involved a physical and chemical examination of urine (color, reaction and albumin).

The urine was spun in a centrifuge to allow sediments containing:

- Pus cells (WBC).
- RBC.
- Crystals.
- Casts (Massey, 2004).

### **2.2.7. Identification of Bacteria**

A single colony was taken from each primary positive culture and it was identified by depending on its morphology of it (shape, size, borders and texture) and then examined it under microscope after staining it with gram stain or other specific stain (such as Albert stain for *Corynebacterium spp.* to observe a metachromatic granules).

After staining, the biochemical tests were done to each isolates to reach to the final identification according to Bergy's Manual for Determinative Bacteriology (Holt *et.al.*, 1994).

### **2.2.8. Biochemical Tests**

**2.2.8.1. Catalase Test:** A colony of the organism was transferred to a drop of 3% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> on a microscope slide. The presence of catalase was meant that the formation of gas bubbles has occurred which indicated the positive result (Collee *et.al.*, 1996).

**2.2.8.2. Oxidase Test:** A piece of filter paper was saturated in a petri dish with oxidase reagent then a colony of organism was spread onto

the filter paper. When the color around the smear turned from rose to purple, the oxidase test was positive (Collee *et.al.*, 1996).

2.2.4.3. **Coagulase Test:** Several colonies of bacteria were transferred with a loop to a tube containing 0.5 ml of plasma. The tube was covered to prevent evaporation and incubated at 37°C overnight. The test was read by tilting the tube and observing for clot formation in the plasma. Negative test results in the plasma remained free-flowing with no evidence of a clot (Collee *et.al.*, 1996).

2.2.4.4. **Indol Test:** A 1% solution of tryptone broth was prepared in the tubes then it was sterile into the autoclave. After that the broth inoculated with bacterial colonies and it was incubated for 24-48 hours at 37°C. Testing for indole production was done by adding 6-8 drops of Kovac's Reagent (p-dimethylaminobenzaldehyde in amyl alcohol). The formation of red color ring at top of broth was a positive reaction. A yellow color ring was a negative result (Macfaddin, 2000).

2.2.4.5. **Methyl Red Test:** The test was performed on 0 ml of MR-VP broth cultured by the organism and then it was incubated for 24 hours at 37°C. After that the 6-8 drops of Methyl Red reagent were added to culture. The change of color to orange-red was a positive reaction (Collee *et.al.*, 1996).

2.2.4.6. **Voges-Proskaur Test:** The test was performed on 0 ml of MR-VP broth cultured by the organism and then it was incubated for 24 hours at 37°C. After that 10 drops of 0% alpha naphthol (reagent A) were added followed by 10 drops of 40% KOH (reagent B) and shaken well

and allowed standing for up to 30 minutes before calling a reaction negative. The positive culture was turning to red at the surface of the liquid, and the color was spread gradually throughout the tube (Baron *et.al.*, 1996).

2.2.4.4. **Simon Citrate Test:** After the sterilization of Simon citrate slants by autoclave, inoculated the bacterial cultures and incubated it for 24-48 hours at 37°C. The positive result was a change of the color of media from green to blue. The unchanging of the color was a negative reaction (Benson, 1998).

2.2.4.5. **Urease Test:** The urea base agar was sterilized by autoclave. After cools it to 50°C, the urea substrate was added to it and was poured in sterile tubes; then inoculated by bacterial cultures and it incubated them for 24-48 hours at 37°C. The positive result was a deep pink color. Failure of deep pink color to develop was a negative reaction (Benson, 1998).

2.2.4.6. **Kliglar Iron Agar (KIA) Test:** The aim is to differentiate the *Enterobacteriaceae* according to carbohydrate fermentation and hydrogen sulfide production. The organism was grown on KIA slant by stab and streak and then it was inoculated at 37°C for 24-48 hours. The changing of the color of the media from orange-red to yellow was due to carbohydrate fermentation with or without gas formation at butt of slant. In addition, the formation of Hydrogen sulfide was given a black color precipitation at butt (Macfaddin, 2000).

۲.۲.۸.۱۰. **Esculin Test:** The organisms were grown in an Esculin slants. The dark brown color was the positive result. The unchanging of the color was a negative reaction (Capell *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۵)

۲.۲.۸.۱۱. **Mannitol Salt Agar:** The medium was turned from pink to bright yellow when the bacteria were Mannitol fermented and the test was positive (Macfaddin, ۲۰۰۰).

۲.۲.۸.۱۲. **Eosin Methylene Blue (EMB) Agar.** Lactose fermenting colonies were either dark or possess dark centers with transparent colorless peripheries, while organisms that did not ferment lactose remain uncolored. This purple color was due to the absorption of the eosin-methylene blue complex, which formed in the presence of acid. Certain members of the coliform group, especially *Escherichia coli*, exhibited a greenish metallic sheen in the reflected light (Collee *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۶).

۲.۲.۸.۱۳. **Motility test by using semisolid media:** ۱۰ ml of semisolid media was dispensed in test tubes and leave to set the vertical position, inoculate with a straight wire, making a single stab down the center of the tube to about half the depth of the medium. The culture was incubated after ۳۷°C and examine at ۶ hours, ۱ and ۲ days. Non-motile bacteria had generally confined to the stab-line and given sharply defined margins with leaving the surrounding medium clearly transparent. Motile bacteria were typically given diffuse hazy growths that spread through out the medium rendering it slightly opaque (Macfaddin, ۲۰۰۰).

## **2.2.9. The Antibiotics Sensitivity Tests**

### **2.2.9.1. Antibiotics Diffusion Tests by Kirby-Bauer Susceptibility test**

- It was performed using a pure culture of previously identified bacterial organism. The inoculum to be used in this test was prepared by adding growth from 10 isolated colonies grown on a blood agar plate to 10 ml of broth. This culture was then incubated for 24 hours to produce a bacterial suspension of moderate turbidity. A sterile swab was used to obtain an inoculum from the standardized culture. This inoculum was then streaked on a Mueller-Hinton plate.
- The antibiotic discs were placed on the surface of the medium at evenly spaced intervals with flamed forceps or a disc applicator. Incubation was usually overnight with an optimal time being 18 hours at 37°C. Antibiotics inhibition zones were measured using a caliber. Zone size was compared to standard zones to determine the susceptibility or resistance of the organism to each antibiotic (Macfaddin, 2000).

### **2.2.9.2. The Preparation of Antibiotics Media**

Muller-Hinton agar was prepared then sterilized it into autoclave. After cooling it to 60°C, the antibiotic solution was added (prepared in 2.2.4), then it was poured it in sterilized petridishes and inoculate the organisms on media by Pinking and Patching procedure for 24 hours at 37°C. The detection of sensitivity of antibiotics was done by presence of bacterial growth or not (Miniatis *et.al.*, 1982).

## 2.2.1. *The Virulence Factors*

### 2.2.1.1. *Capsule stain*

- A heavy smear of organism was prepared and allowed to dry in the air.
- 1% Crystal violet was applied to non-heated fixed smear and waiting for 5-7 min.
- The smear was washed with 2% Copper sulfate solution as counter stain then was gently blot dry and later it was examined it under oil immersion that the capsule appeared as a light blue in contrast to a deep purple of the cell (Cruickshank *et.al.*, 1970).

2.2.1.2. *Production of Hemolysin:* Hemolysis production was shown on Blood agar media. The results were obtained after incubation of the non-cultured plates for 24 hours at 37°C to exclude any contamination of blood, then the organism was inoculated at this blood agar plates and it was incubate again for 24-48 hours at 37°C and detected if any hemolysis presence around the colonies (either  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$  hemolysis) (De Boy *et.al.*, 1980).

2.2.1.3. *Extracellular Protease production:* The nutrient broth was supplemented with 12% gelatin then it was poured into tubes which were sterilized them into autoclave and after cooling it to room temperature, the organisms were inoculated by stabbing technique and incubated for 24-48 hours at 37°C and then it was placed in a refrigerator at 4°C for 30 min. Cultures that remained liquefied meant gelatinase was produced and demonstrated gelatin hydrolysis (Benson, 1998).

**2.2.1.4. Siderophores production:** M<sup>a</sup> media was prepared and then supplemented with 2% agar. After sterilization in autoclave and cooling it at 50°C, 0.20 gm/L glucose was added (sterilized by filtration) and 200 μM of 2,2-dipyridyl. Then the organisms were inoculated into this media and incubated it for 24-48 hours at 37°C. The results were checked to see if there was any presence of growth of organism (Nassif *et.al.*, 1989).

#### **2.2.1.5. Colonization Factor Antigens**

**A) Detection of (CFA/I):** After culturing the organism on Tryptic Soy Agar; the agglutination of RBC with bacteria was occurred in presence of D-mannose as following:

- Bacterial solution was prepared separately for each isolate by adding a plenty of bacterial growth into 1 ml of normal saline in test tube.
- 2% RBC solution was prepared from the human blood (group A) after it was centrifuged at least 3 times with adding sterilized phosphate buffer saline to it. Then added to sediment of blood sterilized phosphate buffer saline to complete the preparation of the solution (vol/vol).
- On clean slide, their was mixing a one drop of bacterial suspension to a one drop of 0.1 M D-mannose on one side and with a one drop of 2% RBC suspension on another side.

The agglutination of RBC with bacteria was detected after 1-2 min (Giron *et.al.*; 1990).

**B) *Detection of (CFA/III)*:** After culturing the organism on Tryptic Soy Agar, the agglutination of RBC with bacteria was occurred in presence of Tannic acid instead of D-mannose as following:

- Bacterial solution was prepared separately for each isolate as in above.
- 3% RBC solution was prepared from the human blood (group A) after centrifuged it at least 3 times with adding sterilized phosphate buffer saline to it. Then added to sediment of blood sterilized phosphate buffer saline to complete the preparation of the solution (vol/vol).
- 0.1M of Tannic acid was prepared, then on clean slide, mixed a one drop of bacterial suspension was mixed with one drop of 0.1M of Tannic acid on one side and to a one drop of 3% RBC suspension on another side.

The agglutination of RBC with bacteria was detected after 1-2 min (Symth, 1982).

## 3.1. Clinical Study

### 3.1.1. Sex Related Disease

This study included (102) patients suffering from chronic pyelonephritis who were admitted to Hilla teaching hospital-Department of Urology. The incidence of this disease was found to be higher in females than in males as shown in table (3.1) as 61.8% are females and 38.2% are males with ratio of female: male is 1.6 : 1.

**Table (3.1):** Numbers and Percentage of Sex Distributed Disease.

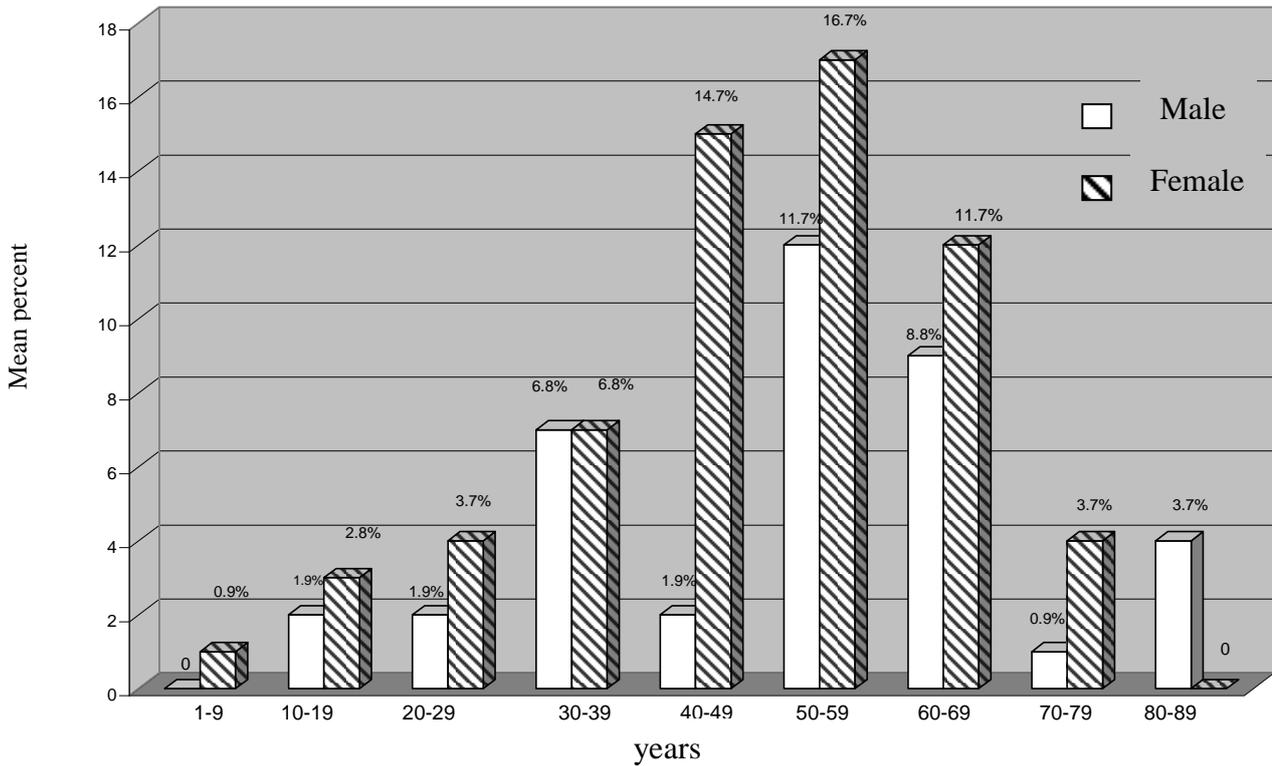
Sex	Numbers	Percentage
Female	63	61.8%
Male	39	38.2%
Total	102	100%

The results were agreed with the results obtained by Sakran *et.al.* (2003) who showed that 79% of patients with kidney infection were females. In addition, the prevalence of recurrent UTI was increased from twofold to sixfold in female than in male (Kosakai *et.al.*, 1990). However, Ghoro *et.al.* (2002) pointed that 36% of children with pyelonephritis were males and the remaining were females. In general, the females are more susceptible to UTI than males because the urethra is shorter and nearer to anus more in females leading to be more prone to infected with enteric bacteria; in addition, the vaginal pathogens may invade the urinary tract causing UTI (Mims *et.al.*, 2004).

### 3.1.2. Age Related Disease

The age of the patient is an important factor in the study of the epidemiology of chronic pyelonephritis as shown in figure (3.1). The more affected age group in female was between 40-60 years old (31.0%) while in male, the more affected age group was between 50-70 years old (20.0%). In patients below 19 years, only 0.6% was affected and most of them are females (3.7%). The age group between 30-40 years (young adults) was equally affected in both sexes (6.8%). As regards the older age (more than 70 years), the males were more affected than female (4.7% and 3.7% respectively).

These results are agreed with the results obtained by Bryan and Reynolds (1984) who showed that in the patients with upper UTI, males were usually affected between 60-80 years and the females were usually between 40-60 years and that means the elderly age group was most common for males. In addition, Winberg *et.al.* (1982) showed that 0% of chronic pyelonephritis were children below 10 years with VUR and these results were in accordance with the results gained in this study but VUR might represent more than 0% of causes of chronic pyelonephritis. On other hand, Tepmongkol *et.al.* (2002) obtained that 09.2% of children below 12 years with VUR have developed chronic pyelonephritis. Generally, the middle age group was the peak in both males and females that may be due to its predisposing factors which most of them occurred in adult age group except in VUR which occurred in young children.



**Figure (۳.۱):** A histogram demonstrate age related to sex of patients with chronic pyelonephritis.

### ۳.۱.۳. Clinical Features Related to Disease

Regarding the clinical features as shown in table (۳.۲ a and b), most of the patients were presented with classical symptoms of chronic pyelonephritis including loin pain (۹۸.۲%), low grade fever (۴۴.۸%) and urinary symptoms that including frequency (۸۳.۳%), dysuria (۷۹.۴%), nocturia (۷۰.۰%), polyuria (۶۷.۶%), nausea or vomiting (۳۱.۴%), loss of appetite (۲۷.۰%) and loss of weight (۱۷.۴%). These differences in the presentation are attributed to many factors like age, sex, predisposing factors, regime of therapy and response to treatment. In regard to other results obtained by Huland and Busch (۱۹۸۴) who showed that the loin pain was a common clinical features of pyelonephritis accompanied by

urinary symptoms. The variation in the presentation of urinary symptoms may be due to the severity of accompanying lower UTI.

Others were presented as a complicated cases (13.7% with hypertension and 9.8% with chronic renal failure or ureamia) and these results were shortly extended with other results obtained by Gower (1986) and Huland and Busch (1982) respectively who showed that 40% of women with chronic pyelonephritis had hypertension and 20% of adult with chronic pyelonephritis ended with chronic renal failure. This differences in the comparison of presentation of complicated cases are attributed to improvement of investigating methods leading to early diagnosis and proper management of disease with reducing of complications. In general, the hypertension is a major complication of renal disease but rarely the hypertension cause renal disease that might only happened in malignant hypertension. The renal failure is commonly a late complication of renal disease and it is associated with bad prognosis (Walsh *et.al.*, 1997).

On the other hand, only two cases presented asymptotically (1.8%) and this agreed with results obtained by Gaymans *et.al.* (1986) who found out that 3% of females with upper UTI were asymptomatic in the first presentation. The asymptomatic cases may be seen in elderly people with long standing catheterization or due to the underlying disease like diabetic, VUR and renal stones leading to asymptomatic bacteriuria.

**Table (۳.۲):** Numbers and Percentages of presentation of patients with chronic pyelonephritis.

<b>Presentation</b>	<b>Numbers</b>	<b>Percentages</b>
<b>Symptomatic</b>	۱۰۰	۹۸.۲ %
<b>Asymptomatic</b>	۲	۱.۸ %
<b>Total</b>	۱۰۲	۱۰۰ %

**Table (۳.۳):** Numbers and Percentages of clinical feature of ۱۰۲ chronic pyelonephritic patients.

<b>Clinical feature</b>	<b>Numbers</b>	<b>Percentages</b>	
<b>Loin Pain</b>	۱۰۰	۹۸%	
<b>Frequency</b>	۸۵	۸۳.۳%	
<b>Dysuria</b>	۸۱	۷۹.۴%	
<b>Polyuria</b>	۷۷	۷۵.۵%	
<b>Nocturia</b>	۶۹	۶۷.۶%	
<b>Low grade fever</b>	۴۵	۴۴.۸%	
<b>Nausea or vomiting</b>	۳۲	۳۱.۴%	
<b>Loss of appetite</b>	۲۸	۲۷.۵%	
<b>Loss of weight</b>	۱۸	۱۷.۴%	
<b>Symptoms of complications</b>	<b>Hypertension</b>	۱۴	۱۳.۷%
	<b>Uremia</b>	۱۰	۹.۸%

#### **۳.۱.۴. Previous History of Other Diseases**

The previous history of urinary tract infections in table (۳.۳) showed that ۸۶.۳% of patients had history of UTI but only ۶۲.۷% of them had history of UTI with stone, ۲۳.۵% of patients had history of surgery for removal of stone and these results were agreed with results obtained by Ng *et.al.* (۲۰۰۳) who showed that the majority of patients with chronic

pyelonephritis had history of UTI and ٧٧% of them had history of renal stone. ٤.٨% of patients had history of surgery for VUR repair. These results were in accordance with results obtained by Winberg *et.al.* (١٩٨٢) who showed that only ٥% of patients with chronic pyelonephritis were due to VUR.

**Table (٣.٤):** Numbers and Percentages of Previous history related to ١٠٢ chronic pyelonephritic patients.

<b>Previous History</b>		<b>Numbers</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>UTI</b>	<b>With stone</b>	٦٤	٦٢.٧%
	<b>Without stone</b>	٢٤	٢٣.٥%
<b>Surgery to remove stone</b>		٢٤	٢٣.٥%
<b>Surgery of (VUR)</b>		٥	٤.٩%

### ٣.١.٥. Ultrasound Results

The findings of Ultrasound for patients with chronic pyelonephritis was a small size kidney, thin cortical thickness with irregular outline. It is either unilaterally or bilaterally affected as shown in table (٣.٤) that revealed ٦٥.٧% of patients were one side affected (unilateral) and ٣٤.٣% were both kidneys affected (bilateral).

These results were correlated with the results obtained by Gower (١٩٨٦) who showed that ٧٧% of women with chronic pyelonephritis were unilateral affected and ٢٣% were bilaterally affected that means they commonly presented with one side affected and that returned to the underlying causes like renal stones in one side or unilateral VUR. The bilateral cases are occurred either due to neglected unilateral cases or rarely they were bilateral from beginning (bilateral renal stones or

bilateral VUR). In addition, the unilateral cases had a normal life span with less complications but the bilateral cases commonly ended with impaired renal function and renal failure with bad prognosis (Feldberg, 1982).

**Table (3.5):** Numbers and Percentages of Sides affected associated disease.

<b>Sides affected</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Unilateral</b>	67	60.7%
<b>bilateral</b>	35	34.3%
<b>Total</b>	102	100%

### **3.1.6. Results of Abnormal Parameters of General Urine Examination (GUE)**

Results of abnormalities of parameters in General Urine Examination (GUE) as shown in table (3.5). The examination was done to each patient included pH of urine that was 40.8% of patients had normal pH (acidic) and the remainder (59.2%) were alkaline. The result of alkaline pH may reflect the type of pathogens which appeared in the study like *P.mirabilis*, *Corynebacterium* and other urease-producing pathogens (Woolhandler *et.al.*, 1989).

The pyuria (pus cells more than 10/HPF) which was presented in 94.1% of patients means that majority of patients have pyuria and this pyuria was usually associated infection or inflammation of urinary tract (Hamburger *et.al.*, 1978). RBC was presented in 69.6% of patients that the presence of RBC concluded the presence of stone or may associated with severe infection of urinary tract (Nemoy and Stamey, 1981).

The albumin in urine was presented in 37.2% of patients and sometimes it was accompanied with severe infection or renal impairment but the presence of casts in the urine was usually associated with impaired renal function (Wagner *et.al.*, 1986) that the casts were seen in 19.0% of patients with albuminuria. These results were agreed with other results obtained by Dayan and Smith (1986) and Nuutiuen *et.al.* (1999) who showed that the majority of pyelonephritic patients complicated with albuminuria and half of them ended with renal failure and because of the casts accompany with renal dysfunction that means the half of albuminuria positive patients had casts in their urine. Furthermore, WBC casts were 6.0% and this agreed with Massey (2004) who found that most of patients with chronic pyelonephritis had WBC casts in their urinalysis. Granular casts were 3.0% while hyaline casts were 1.0%.

In regard to the crystals which were found in 84.3% of patients. The urate crystals were found in 40.3%, the phosphate crystals were presented in 41.8% and oxalate were found in 12.8%. The crystals are commonly associated with severe infection or presence of stones like the phosphate crystals that accompanied with struvite stones and urease-producing bacteria (Ryan and Murray, 1994).

**Table (3.6):** Numbers and Percentages of abnormal parameter of GUE results to 102 chronic pyelonephritic patients.

Items of GUE		Number		Percentage	
Pus cell		96		94.1%	
RBC		71		69.6%	
Albumin		38		37.2%	
Alkaline pH		30		29.6%	
Cast	WBC cast	12	20	6.0%	19.0%
	Granular	6		3.0%	
	Hyaline	2		1.0%	
Crystal	Urate	39	86	40.3%	84.3%
	phosphate	36		41.8%	
	oxalate	11		12.8%	

### 3.2. Isolation of Bacteria Associated with Disease

The results of urine culture in table (3.6) showed that 79.0% of patients had positive culture and 20.0% of them had negative culture. These results was agreed with other result obtained by Leblebicioglu and Esen (2003) who showed that 78.4% of patients with hospital-acquired UTI had positive culture and those with negative culture may be associated with *Mycoplasma* or *Chlamydial* infections.

**Table (3.7):** Number and Percentages of urine culture results.

Culture	Number	Percentage
Culture positive	81	79.4%
Culture negative	21	20.6%
Total	102	100%

### ٣.٢.١. Types of Bacterial Isolates

Table (٣.٧) showed that ٢٩.٦% of isolates revealed *E.coli* which is the most common bacteria in our study, while coagulase-negative *staphylococci* represented ٢٨.٤% of isolates, ٢٥.٩% of them were *Staphylococcus epidermidis* and ٢.٥% were *Staphylococcus saprophyticus*. *Klebsiella pneumoniae* represented ١٢.٣% of isolates. Both, *Corynebacterium spp.* and *Proteus mirabilis* were represented ٧.٤% of isolates. In addition, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Enterobacter spp.* and *Acinetobacter spp.* were represented ٣.٧% of isolates, *Enterococcus spp.* were ٢.٥%, and lastly, one isolate of *Staphylococcus aureus* obtained (١.٣%).

These results can be compared with other results obtained by Gordon and Jones (٢٠٠٣) to patients with hospital-acquired UTI, who showed that *E.coli* was ٤٧%, *K.pneumoniae* ١١%, *Proteus mirabilis* ٥%, *P.aeruginosa* ٨%, *Enterobacter spp.* ٤%, *Enterococcus spp.* ١٢% and coagulase-negative *Staphylococci* ١٣%. In addition, Guirguitzova *et.al.* (٢٠٠٢) showed that ٢٣% of complicated UTI was due to coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus spp.*, ٧٥% of them were *S.epidermidis* and the remainder were other types of coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus spp.* and Sakran *et.al.* (٢٠٠٣) showed that *Enterococcus* represented ٣% from recurrent UTI. As for *Acinetobacter* and *Corynebacterium*, Joshi *et.al.* (٢٠٠٣) showed that *Acinetobacter spp.* represented ٢٢% from hospital-acquired UTI and Nebreda-Mayoral *et.al.* (١٩٩٤) obtained that *C.urealyticum* represented ٠.٣% of patient with recurrent UIT.

**Table (۳.۸): Numbers and Percentages of Bacterial isolates in urine cultures.**

<b>Type of Bacteria</b>		<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Gram Negative</b>	<i>E.coli</i>	۲۴	۲۳.۵%
	<i>K.pneumoniae</i>	۱۰	۹.۹%
	<i>P.mirabilis</i>	۶	۵.۹%
	<i>P.aeruginosa</i>	۳	۲.۹%
	<i>Enterobacter spp.</i>	۳	۲.۹%
	<i>Acinetobacter spp.</i>	۳	۲.۹%
<b>Gram Positive</b>	<i>S.epidermidis</i>	۲۱	۲۰.۸%
	<i>Corynebacterium spp.</i>	۶	۵.۹%
	<i>S.saprophyticus</i>	۲	۱.۹%
	<i>Enterobacter spp.</i>	۲	۱.۹%
	<i>S.aureus</i>	۱	۰.۹%
<b>No Growth</b>		۲۱	۲۰.۶%
<b>Total</b>		۱۰۲	۱۰۰%

## **۳.۳. Identification of Bacteria**

### **۳.۳.۱ *Enterobacteriaceae, P.aeruginosa and Acinetobacter***

The isolation of these bacteria was depended on the difference in specific biochemical tests like catalase, oxidase, lactose fermented, indol, MR, VP, urease, citrate, motility, growth on TSI agar and production of H<sub>2</sub>S gas (Macfaddin, ۲۰۰۰).

*E.coli* produced a lactose fermented colonies, it was metallic sheen on EMB agar. Its biochemical tests showed that catalase positive, oxidase negative, MR positive, VP negative, indol positive, on KIA agar :H<sub>2</sub>S negative, motility positive, urease was negative in ۷۵% of isolates and citrate was negative in ۹۱% of isolates and this agreed with results obtained by Collins and Falkow (۱۹۹۰) that showed *E.coli* isolated from

patients with complicated UTI had urease producing gene (Benson, 1998).

*K.pneumoniae* produced a mucoid lactose fermented colonies, it was centrally dark on EMB agar. Its biochemical tests showed that catalase positive, oxidase negative, MR negative, VP negative, indol negative, on KIA agar :H<sub>2</sub>S negative, motility negative, urease positive and citrate positive for all (Mims *et.al.*, 2004).

*P.mirabilis* produced a non-lactose fermented colonies with swarming motility and urea smell on nutrient agar, it was pale on EMB agar. Its biochemical tests showed that catalase positive, oxidase negative, MR negative, VP negative, indol negative, on KIA agar :H<sub>2</sub>S positive, motility positive, urease positive and citrate positive for all (Macfaddin, 2000).

*Enterobacter spp.* produced a mucoid weak lactose fermented colonies, it was centrally dark on EMB agar. Its biochemical tests showed that catalase positive, oxidase negative, MR negative, VP positive, indol negative, on KIA agar :H<sub>2</sub>S negative, motility positive, urease negative in one out of three (33.3%) and citrate positive for all (Baron *et.al.*, 1996).

*Pseudomonas aeruginosa* produced a non-lactose fermented colonies with bluish green color on nutrient agar, it was pale on EMB agar. Its biochemical tests showed that catalase positive, oxidase positive, MR negative, VP negative, indol negative, on KIA agar :H<sub>2</sub>S negative, motility positive, urease positive and citrate positive for all (Benson, 1998).

*Acinetobacter* produced a non-lactose fermented colonies, it was pale on EMB agar. Its biochemical tests showed that catalase positive, oxidase negative, MR positive, VP negative, indol negative, on KIA agar :H<sub>2</sub>S negative, motility negative, urease negative in one out of three (33.3%) and citrate negative in all of them (Baron *et.al.*, 1996).

**Table (3.9):** The diagnostic and biochemical tests of *Enterobacteriaceae*, *P.aeruginosa* and *Acinetobacter*.

Test	<i>E.coli</i>	<i>K.pneumoniae</i>	<i>P.mirabilis</i>	<i>Enterobacter</i>	<i>P.aeruginosa</i>	<i>Acinetobacter</i>
EMB	Metallic	Centrally dark	pale	Centrally dark	pale	pale
Lactose ferm.	+	+	-	+	-	-
Catalase	+	+	+	+	+	+
Oxidase	-	-	-	-	+	-
Urease	- *	+	+	-***	+	-****
Citrate	- **	+	+	+	+	+
MR	+	-	+	-	-	+
VP	-	+	-	+	-	-
Indol	+	-	-	-	-	-
H <sub>2</sub> S	-	-	+	-	-	-
motility	+	-	+	+	+	-

\* Negative in 10% of bacteria.

\*\* Negative in 11% of bacteria.

\*\*\*Negative in 16.6 % of bacteria.

\*\*\*\*Negative in 33.3% of bacteria.

### 3.3.2. *Staphylococcus Species*

They were gram positive cocci arranged in clusters. The main three species of *Staphylococcus* can be differentiated by the shape and color of their colonies on blood agar, coagulase test and fermentation of mannitol on mannitol salt agar (Mims *et.al.*, 2004).

**Table(3.10)** The diagnostic and biochemical tests of *Staphylococcus species*.

<i>Test</i>	<i>S.aureus</i>	<i>S.epidermidis</i>	<i>S.saprophyticus</i>
Catalase	+	+	+
Oxidase	-	-	-
Urease	-	+*	+
Coagulase	+	-	-
Mannitol ferment	+	-	-
Resist to Novobiocin	†	-	+
motility	-	-	-

\* Positive in (02.4%) of isolates.

† Test used to distinguish between *S.epidermidis* and *S.saprophyticus*.

*S.aureus* produced a large hemolytic golden yellow colonies in appearance. Its biochemical tests were catalase positive, oxidase negative, urease negative, coagulase positive, mannitol fermentation positive and motility negative (Benson, 1998).

*S.epidermidis* produced a small non-hemolytic white colonies in appearance. Its biochemical tests were catalase positive, oxidase negative, urease positive in 02.4% of isolates, coagulase negative, mannitol fermentation negative, sensitive to novobiocin and motility negative (Macfaddin, 2000).

*S.saprophyticus* produced a small hemolytic white color colonies in appearance. Its biochemical tests were catalase positive, oxidase negative, urease positive, coagulase negative, mannitol fermentation negative, resisted to novobiocin and motility negative (Mims *et.al.*, 2004).

### 3.3.3. *Corynebacterium and Enterococcus Species*

*Corynebacterium* were gram positive rods. They produced a small non-hemolytic white colonies on blood agar. On Albert stain, the metachromatic granules were distinguishable. The best growth was on Tween 80 media and their biochemical tests were catalase positive, oxidase positive, esculin negative, urease positive and motility negative (Mims *et.al.*, 2004).

*Enterococcus* produced gram positive cocci colonies arranged as small chains, grew on blood and MacConcky agars as faint colonies. The biochemical tests of them were catalase test negative, oxidase test negative, esculin test positive, urease test negative and motility negative (Baron *et.al.*, 1996).

**Table(3.11)** The diagnostic and biochemical tests of *Corynebacterium* and *Enterococcus species*.

No.	Test	<i>Corynebacterium</i>	<i>Enterococcus</i>
1.	Catalase	+	-
2.	Oxidase	+	-
3.	Esculin	-	+
4.	Urease	+	-
5.	motility	-	-

**3.4. Study Group (I): Comparative study between bacteria isolated from bladder samples and those from kidney samples in same patients:**

In our study, two urine samples obtained from five patients, one was a bladder sample and the other was a kidney sample (either from nephrostomy or by ureteric catheter or direct from renal pelvis). All samples were identical in results of urine culture except one which had additional pathogen in the bladder sample than in kidney sample. These results were agreed with the results obtained by Watson *et.al.* (1999) showed that among pyelonephritic patients, 36.8% had additional pathogens in their bladder sample than in nephrostomy sample. This additional pathogen might have resulted from lower UTI or due to accidental contamination of bladder sample.

**Table (3.12)** Types of organisms in both bladder and kidney urine samples in chronic pyelonephritic patients

No. of bacterial isolate	Organism of bladder sample	Organism of kidney sample
1	<i>Enterobacter spp.</i>	<i>Enterobacter spp.</i>
2	<i>K.pneumoniae</i>	<i>K.pneumoniae</i>
3	<i>S.epidermidis</i>	<i>S.epidermidis</i>
4	<i>S.epidermidis +P.mirabilis</i>	<i>P.mirabilis</i>
5	<i>K.pneumoniae</i>	<i>K.pneumoniae</i>

**3.5. Study Group (II): Pyuria with no bacterial growth in chronic pyelonephritic patients:**

Sterile pyuria means the presence of significant number of pus cells but the routine urine culture is negative (Tanagho and McAninch, 2000).

There were 21 cases with negative culture, 10 of them were (47.6%) with pyuria and no bacterial growth in their urine. Eleven from those with sterile pyuria had renal stone and its one of causes of pyuria due to causing of inflammation in urinary tract (Kreder and Williams, 2000), in addition Al-Eisa *et.al.* (2002) showed that 22% of Kuwaiti patients with renal stones presented with sterile pyuria.. The other 2 had chronic renal failure while another one had diabetes. Subat-Dezulovic *et.al.* (2002) showed that some of patients with renal failure presented with sterile pyuria. The remaining 3 cases might infected with other species that were not detected with ordinary methods of urine culture like *Mycoplasma*, *Chlamydia* and *Mycobacterium* (Klouman *et.al.*, 2002; Wong and Yuen, 1990 and Reis *et.al.*, 1990).

**Table (3.13)** Numbers and Percentages of patients with sterile pyuria with their causes.

<b>Cause of sterile pyuria</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Renal stone</b>	11	52.4%
<b>Renal failure</b>	2	9.5%
<b>Unknown</b>	2	9.5%
<b>Total</b>	15	71.4%

### **3.6. Study Group (III): Long standing catheterization associated bacteriuria:**

There were six chronic pyelonephritic patients with long standing catheterization. The cause of catheterization was either due to BPH, bladder injury or urethral injury. Two of them were infected with

*K.pneumoniae* (33.3%), one was with encapsulated *E.coli* (16.6%), one with encapsulated *Corynebacterium spp.* (16.6%), one with encapsulated *Acinetobacter spp.* (16.6%) and the last with *Enterobacter spp.* (16.6%). All of these strains had high resistance to the classical antibiotics used for treatment of UTI with high virulence properties. Carratala-Castellsague *et.al.* (1999) showed that 10% of catheterized patients had *Corynebacterium* in their urine culture whereas, Ayan *et.al.* (2003) showed that the catheterization was a common associated factor for *Acinetobacter* infections. Tambyah *et.al.* (2002) showed that 13% of catheter associated UTI were caused by *E.coli* and 20% of them were caused by *K.pneumoniae* and *Enterobacter*.

**Table (3.13):** Numbers of bacterial isolates associated to 6 chronic pyelonephritic patients with long stand catheterization.

Types of bacteria	No. of isolates
<i>K.pneumonia</i>	2
<i>E.coli</i>	1
<i>Corynebacterium</i>	1
<i>Acinetobacter</i>	1
<i>Enterobacter</i>	1

### 3.7. Effect of Antibiotics on Bacterial Isolates

The results of antibiotic sensitivity test that was done to the bacteria isolated from patients with chronic pyelonephritis had shown that these bacteria had high resistance to most common antibiotics used in treatment of pyelonephritis as shown in table (3.13) and figure (3.2).

Regarding to amoxicillin, 100% of *Corynebacterium*, *P.mirabilis*, *Acinetobacter*, *P.aeruginosa* and *S.aureus* were resistant. These results

were correlated with results obtained by Suarez *et.al.* (2002), Orrett (1999), Savov *et.al.* (2003) and Yamaguchi *et.al.* (1999) who observed that these bacteria had high resistance to amoxicillin. In addition, 79.1% of *E.coli*, 90% of *K.pneumoniae* and two out of three of *Enterobacter* were resistant to amoxicillin and these were agreed with results obtained by Leblebicioglu and Esen (2003), Aggarwal *et.al.* (2003) and Zhou *et.al.* (2002) who found that 73% of *E.coli*, 87.5% of *K.pneumoniae* and more than 90% *Enterobacter aerogenes* strains isolated from recurrent UTI and pyelonephritis were resistant to amoxicillin respectively. In coagulase-negative *Staphylococci*, 76.2% of *S.epidermidis* and one out of two of *S.saprophyticus* were resistant to amoxicillin and this was in accordance with results obtained by Jureen *et.al.* (2003) who showed that the coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus* isolated from patients with upper UTI had high resistance to amoxicillin. Furthermore, one out of two of *Enterococci* was resistant to amoxicillin and this was in accordance with Sedlock *et.al.* (1990) who found that *Enterococcus* had high resistance to  $\beta$ -lactam antibiotics.

Generally, 82.7% of bacteria isolated from patients in this study were resistant to amoxicillin and these results moderately extended with results obtained by Sakran *et.al.* (2003) who showed that 52% of bacteria in upper UTI resisted to amoxicillin. The resistance of these bacteria is mostly due to either production of  $\beta$ -lactamase enzyme or lack of penicillin receptors on cell wall or even alteration in their permeability to  $\beta$ -lactam antibiotics (Yu *et.al.*, 1999).

Regarding to nitrofurantoin, 100% of *Corynebacterium*, *P.mirabilis*, *P.aeruginosa* and *S.aureus* were resistant to it. These results were agreed with results obtained by Chiner *et.al.* (1999), Echols *et.al.* (1999) and Barrett *et.al.* (1999) who showed that these bacteria had high resistant to nitrofurantoin. In addition, 16.6% of *E.coli* and 80% of *K.pneumoniae* were resistant to nitrofurantoin and these were in accordance with results obtained by Vromen *et.al.* (1999) and Gupta *et.al.* (1999) who showed that 10% of *E.coli* and 52% of *K.pneumoniae* were resistant to nitrofurantoin respectively. One out of three of both *Enterobacter* and *Acinetobacter* were resistant to nitrofurantoin and these results were in accordance with those obtained by Zhou *et.al.* (2002) and Zeana *et.al.* (2003) who showed that most of *Enterobacter aerogenes* and *Acinetobacter banmanni* were sensitive to nitrofurantoin. In coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus*, 19% of *S.epidermidis* were resistant to nitrofurantoin and this was in accordance with results obtained by Guirguitzova *et.al.* (2002) who showed that only 10% of the coagulase-negative *Staphylococci* isolated from patients with upper UTI were resistant to nitrofurantoin. Furthermore, All isolates of *Enterococcus* and *S.saprophyticus* were sensitive to nitrofurantoin and these results agreed with those obtained by Sedlock *et.al.* (1990) and Guirguitzova *et.al.* (2002).

In general, 41.9% of bacteria isolated from patients in this study were resistant to nitrofurantoin while in Sakran *et.al.* (2003) showed that only 4% of bacteria isolated from patients with recurrent UTI were resistant to nitrofurantoin.

Regarding to gentamicin, 100% of *Corynebacterium*, *Acinetobacter*, *S.aureus* and two out of three of *P.aeruginosa* had been resistant to it. These results were agreed with results obtained by De Briel *et.al.* (1991), Karlowsky *et.al.* (2003) and Deguchi *et.al.* (1990) who showed that these bacteria had high resistance to gentamicin. In addition, 37.0% of *E.coli*, 40% of *K.pneumoniae*, 20% of *P.mirabilis* and one out of three of *Enterobacter* were resistant to gentamicin but Jones *et.al.* (2002) and Roosendaal *et.al.* (1991) showed that half of these bacteria susceptible to gentamicin. Blandino *et.al.* (1990) showed that most of *Enterobacter aerogenes* and *P.mirabilis* were sensitive to gentamicin. In coagulase-negative *Staphylococci*, 47.6% of *S.epidermidis* and one out of two of *S.saprophyticus* were resistant to gentamicin and this was moderately extended with results obtained by Inamori *et.al.* (1999) who showed that some coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus* were sensitive to gentamicin. All isolates of *Enterococcus* was sensitive to gentamicin and this agreed with that obtained by El-Kholy (2003).

Generally, 46.9% of bacteria isolated from patients in this study were resistant to gentamicin but Sakran *et.al.* (2003) who showed only 11% of the bacteria isolated from patients with recurrent UTI were resistant to gentamicin. The production of aminoglycoside-modifying enzymes is the most important mechanism of its resistance commonly due to plasmid transfer but the alteration in cell wall permeability is another cause of the resistance (Mims *et.al.*, 2004).

Regarding to ciprofloxacin, 100% of *Corynebacterium*, *P.aeruginosa*, and *S.aureus* were resistant to it. Madhusudhan *et.al.* (2003)

pointed that *P.aeruginosa* had high resistance to ciprofloxacin but Sedlock *et.al.* (1990) who observed that 0% from both *P.aeruginosa* and *S.aureus* were sensitive to ciprofloxacin. Martinez- Martinez *et.al.* (1999) showed that *C.urealyticum* were resistant to ciprofloxacin but Kuriyama *et.al.* (2002) observed that *C.urealyticum* were sensitive to fluoroquinolones. George *et.al.* (1990) found out that *S.aureus* had high resistance to ciprofloxacin. In addition, 40.8% of *E.coli*, 30% of *K.pneumoniae*, 33.3% of *P.mirabilis* and one out of three of *Enterobacter* were resistant to ciprofloxacin and these were correlated with results obtained by Miglioli *et.al.* (1999), Roosendaal *et.al.* (1991) and Madhusudhan *et.al.* (2003) who found that these bacteria had good response to ciprofloxacin but Jones *et.al.* (2002) showed *E.coli* and *K.pneumoniae* had high resistance to ciprofloxacin. In coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus*, 23.8% of *S.epidermidis* were resistant to ciprofloxacin but Sedlock *et.al.* (1990) showed that 40% of coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus* isolated from patients with upper UTI had resistance to ciprofloxacin. All isolates of *Acinetobacter*, *Enterococcus* and *S.saprophyticus* were sensitive to ciprofloxacin and these results correlated with those obtained by Seifert *et.al.* (1993) and Guirguitzova *et.al.* (2002).

Generally, 39.0% of bacteria isolated from patients in this study were resistant/ to ciprofloxacin but in Leblebicioglu and Esen (2003) observed that only 16% of bacteria isolated from patients with recurrent UTI were resistant to ciprofloxacin and this increase of resistance may be due to abuse of antibiotics in our patients leading to transferring the

resistant through genetic factors such as plasmids and transposons or due to changing in cell wall permeability (Mims *et.al.*, ٢٠٠٤).

Regarding to cefotaxime, ٦٦.٦% of *Corynebacterium* were resistant and these results correlated with those obtained by Aspiroz-Sancho *et.al.* (٢٠٠٢) who found out that most of *Corynebacterium spp.* responded to cefotaxime. Furthermore, ١٠٠% of *P.aeruginosa* were resistant to it and these agreed with those obtained by Szabo *et.al.* (١٩٩٠) who showed that *P.aeruginosa* had high resistance to cefotaxime and cefixime whereas Gordon and Jones (٢٠٠٣) showed that only ٢٥% of *Pseudomonas* isolated from complicated UTI were sensitive to cefotaxime. In addition, ٤٥.٨% of *E.coli*, ٣٠% of *K.pneumoniae*, ٥٠% of *P.mirabilis* and two out of three of *Enterobacter* were resistant to cefotaxime and these were agreed with results obtained by Leblebicioglu and Esen (٢٠٠٣) and Thomson *et.al.* (١٩٩١) who stated that these bacteria were susceptible to cefotaxime. Chassagne *et.al.* (١٩٩٠) showed that most of *Enterobacter aerogenes* were resistant to cefotaxime but Blandino *et.al.* (١٩٩٠) showed that *P.mirabilis* were sensitive to cefotaxime. In coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus*, ٢٨.٥% of *S.epidermidis* were resistant to cefotaxime and this was in accordance with results obtained by Deguchi *et.al.* (١٩٩٠) who found that only ٢٥% of coagulase-negative *Staphylococci* isolated from patients with upper UTI were sensitive to cefotaxime. All isolates of *Acinetobacter*, *Enterococcus*, *S.saprophyticus* and *S.aureus* were sensitive to cefotaxime and these results agreed with those obtained by Irgbu *et.al.* (٢٠٠٣), Deguchi *et.al.* (١٩٩٠) and Sedlock *et.al.* (١٩٩٠).

In general, 39.0% of bacteria isolated from patients in this study were resistant to cefotaxime and this agreed with Gordon and Jones (2003) showed only 20% of bacteria isolated from patients with recurrent UTI were resistant to cefotaxime. Some methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus* and other strains of bacteria are resistant to third-generation cephalosporins due to production of extracellular materials with low affinity to  $\beta$ -lactam antibiotics (Katzung, 2002).

Regarding to cefixime, 83.3% of *Corynebacterium* were resistant and these correlated with those obtained by Aspiroz-Sancho *et.al.* (2002) who found that most of *Corynebacterium spp.* were less susceptible to cefixime. 100% of *P.aeruginosa*, and *S.aureus* were resistant to it. These results were agreed with results obtained by Szabo *et.al.* (1990) and Gordon and Jones (2003) who pointed that these bacteria had high resistance to cefixime. In addition, 41.6% of *E.coli*, 30% of *K.pneumoniae* and two out of three of *Enterobacter* and *P.mirabilis* were resistant to cefixime and these were moderately extended with results obtained by Alonso-Sanz and Abad-Becquer (2003), Hoberman *et.al.* (1999) and Zhou *et.al.* (2002) showed that 10% of *E.coli* and most of *K.pneumoniae*, *Enterobacter aerogenes* and *P.mirabilis* isolated from recurrent UTI and pyelonephritis were resistant to cefixime. In coagulase-negative *Staphylococci*, 33.3% of *S.epidermidis* were resistant to cefixime and this was in accordance with results obtained by Guirguitzova *et.al.* (2002) who showed that only 20% of the coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus* isolated from patients with upper UTI had resistant to cefixime. All isolates of *Enterococcus* and *S.saprophyticus*

were sensitive to cefixime and these results agreed with those obtained by Guirguitzova *et.al.* (۲۰۰۲) and El-Kholy (۲۰۰۳).

Generally, ۴۳.۲% of bacteria isolated from patients in this study were resistant to cefixime but in Leblebicioglu and Esen (۲۰۰۳) showed that only ۴% of bacteria isolated from patients with recurrent UTI were resistant to cefixime. The resistance to third-generation cephalosporins was due to production of extracellular materials with low affinity to  $\beta$ -lactam antibiotics (Katzung, ۲۰۰۲).

Regarding to tetracycline, ۱۰۰% of *Corynebacterium*, *P.mirabilis*, *P.aeruginosa*, *Enterobacter*, *Acinetobacter*, *S.saprophyticus* and *S.aureus* were resistant to it. These results were agreed with results obtained by Tauch *et.al.* (۱۹۹۹), Orrett *et.al.* (۱۹۹۹), Fernandez and Pizarro (۱۹۹۹), Zhou *et.al.* (۲۰۰۲), Marques *et.al.* (۱۹۹۷), Burriel (۱۹۹۷) and Mlynarczyk *et.al.* (۱۹۹۷) who showed that these bacteria had high resistance to tetracycline. In addition, ۸۷.۵% of *E.coli* and ۶۰% of *K.pneumoniae* were resistant to tetracycline and these were agreed with results obtained by Alonso-Sanz and Abad-Becquer (۲۰۰۳) and Aggarwal *et.al.* (۲۰۰۳) who showed that most of isolates of *E.coli* and *K.pneumoniae* were resistant to tetracycline. In coagulase-negative *Staphylococci*, ۸۵.۷% of *S.epidermidis* were resistant to tetracycline and this was in accordance with results obtained by Guirguitzova *et.al.* (۲۰۰۲) who showed that ۹۰% of coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus* isolated from patients with upper UTI had resistance to tetracycline. Furthermore, one out of two of *Enterococcus* were resistant to tetracycline and these results agreed with those obtained by Wu *et.al.*

(1999) who found out that *Enterococcus* were susceptible to tetracycline.

In general, 86.8% of bacteria isolated from patients in this study were resistant to tetracycline. This resistance was partly due to widespread use of tetracycline in humans or their use as growth promoters in animal feed leading to synthesized a cytoplasmic protein to pump tetracycline out of resistant cell (Murray *et.al.*, 1999)

Regarding to doxycycline which is one of tetracycline derivatives, 100% of *Corynebacterium*, *P.aeruginosa*, *Enterobacter*, *S.saprophyticus* and *S.aureus* isolates were resistant to it. These results were agreed with results obtained by Tauch *et.al.* (1999), Fernandez and Pizarro (1999), Zhou *et.al.* (2002) and El-Kholy (2003) who observed that these bacteria had high resistance to doxycycline. In addition, 90% of *E.coli*, 76.7% of *P.mirabilis* and 80% of *K.pneumoniae* were resistant to doxycycline and these were correlated with results obtained by Alonso-Sanz and Abad-Becquer (2003), Orrett *et.al.* (1999) and Aggarwal *et.al.* (2003) who showed that half of isolates of *E.coli*, *P.mirabilis* and *K.pneumonia* were resistant to doxycycline. In coagulase-negative *Staphylococci*, 82.9% of *S.epidermidis* were resistant to doxycycline and these were moderately extended with results obtained by El-Kholy (2003) observed that most of coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus* isolated from patients with upper UTI were resistant to it. Two out of three of *Acinetobacter* were resistant to doxycycline and this accompany with Levin's results (2003) who said that *Acinetobacter* resisted to doxycycline. All isolates of *Enterococcus* were sensitive to doxycycline

and these results agreed with those obtained by Wu *et.al.* (1999) who found that *Enterococcus* were susceptible to tetracycline and its derivatives.

In general, 41.9% of bacteria isolated from patients in this study were resistant to doxycycline and this resistant is much less than in tetracycline in spite of their resistant was transported by a plasmid because it is a new drug with complete absorption and not affected by gut flora to increasing its resistance (Murray *et.al.*, 1999).

Regarding to trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole, 100% of *Corynebacterium*, *P.aeruginosa*, *Enterobacter*, *Acinetobacter*, *S.epidermidis*, *S.saprophyticus* and *S.aureus* were resistant to it. These results were agreed with those obtained by Gladin *et.al.* (1999), Lindh *et.al.* (1990), Barsic *et.al.* (1997) and Guirguitzova *et.al.* (2002) who showed that these bacteria had high resistance to trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole. In addition, 72.0% of *E.coli*, 90% of *K.pneumoniae* and 00% of *P.mirabilis* were resistant to trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole and these were agreed with results obtained by Alonso-Sanz and Abad-Becquer (2003), Lin *et.al.* (2002) and Orrett *et.al.* (1999) who showed that 70% of *E.coli*, 72% of *K.pneumoniae* and most of *P.mirabilis* isolated from upper UTI were less effective to trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole. All isolates of *Enterococcus* was sensitive to trimethoprim-sulfamethox-zole and these results agreed with those obtained by El-Kholy (2003).

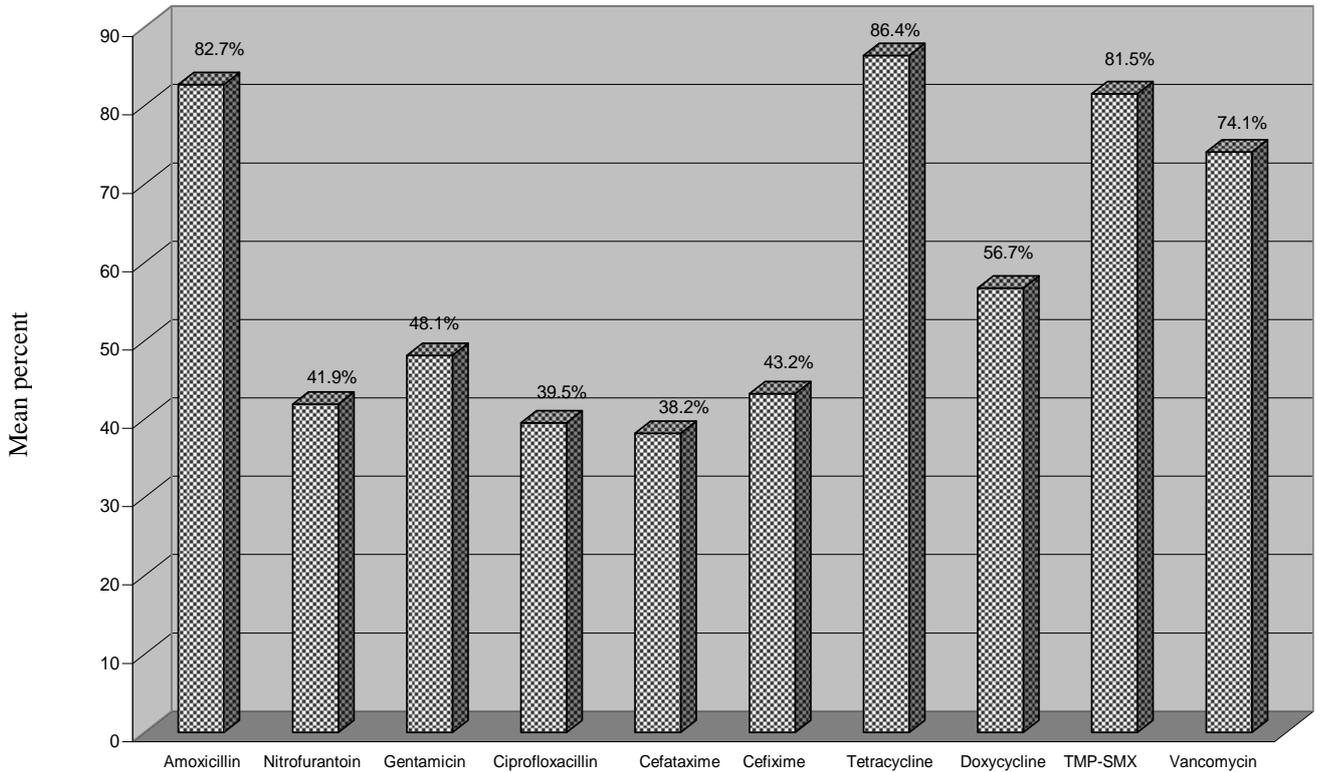
In general, 81.0% of bacteria isolated from patients in this study were resistant to trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole and this was in accordance

with results obtained by Ashkeuazi *et.al.* (1991) who showed that 40% of uropathogens were resistant to trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole. The increasing in resistant rate of trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole was due to the long using of it leading to pump it out of resistant cell (Murray *et.al.*, 1999).

Regarding to vancomycin, all gram negative bacteria were resistant to vancomycin. 38% of *S.epidermidis* were resisted to vancomycin but *S.saprophyticus* were sensitive and in compared with results obtained by Garrett *et.al.* (1999) showed that decreasing the susptability of coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus* to vancomycin. In addition, 33.3% of *Corynebacterium* were resistant to vancomycin but Suarez *et.al.* (2002) and Tauch *et.al.* (1999) showed that most of *C.urealytium* isolated from complicated UTI sensitive to vancomycin. All isolates of *Enterococcus* were sensitive to vancomycin and this agreed with that obtained by El-Kholy (2003).

Generally, 44.1% of bacteria isolated from patients in this study were resistant to vancomycin because all gram negative bacteria were resistant to vancomycin which was represented 60.5% from all bacteria that because it had too large molecules to move through the outer membrane of their cells (Greenwood, 2000). In spite of that the resistance to vancomycin was high, in addition, there was only 40.5% of gram positive bacterial isolates sensitive to vancomycin and the resistance were commonly due to transferring the resistant factors and rarely it chromosomally founded. The resistance in coagulase-negative

*Staphylococcus* might be due to thickening in the cell wall leading to impairment of penetration of vancomycin (Gilbert *et.al.*, ۲۰۰۲).



**Figure (٣.٢):** The percentages of resistance of bacterial isolates to antibiotics.

### ٣.٨. Detection of Virulence Factors

The virulence factors of bacteria are important to know the pathogenesis of the disease by these bacteria leading to infection as shown in table (٣.١٤).

In regard to the capsule that the capsular acid polysaccharide antigen was associated with ability to cause pyelonephritis which protect the bacteria from phagocytosis and aid it to adhere with host cells (Mims *et.al.*, ٢٠٠٤). The encapsulated isolates represented ٦٧.٩% including all isolates of *Corynebacterium*, *P.aeruginosa*, *K.pneumoniae*, *S.saprophyticus* and *S.aureus*. These results were in accordance with results obtained by Esteban *et.al.* (١٩٩٩), Bals *et.al.* (١٩٩٩), Meno and Amako

(1991) and Ammendolia *et.al.* (1999) respectively who saw that these bacteria were encapsulated in their properties and some time they produced a slime layer. In addition, 76.2% of *S.epidermidis* and two out of three of *Acinetobacter* and *Enterobacter* were encapsulated. Mack *et.al.* (1999) showed that *S.epidermidis* were encapsulated with a mucoid slime which appeared an important virulence factor of it. Furthermore, Garcia *et.al.* (2000) and Andersen *et.al.* (1999) showed that *Acinetobacter* and *Enterobacter* had a polysaccharide capsule as one of its virulence factors.

In addition, 80.8% of *E.coli* were encapsulated and these agreed with Osterberg *et.al.* (1990) who showed that in urinary tract infection, the non-fimbriated *E.coli* were more aggressive than P-fimbriated *E.coli* and they were usually encapsulated and associated with nosocomial UTI. Ebel and Trempy (1999) observed that some isolates of *E.coli* were encapsulated.

Only one from six isolates of *P.mirabilis* were encapsulated and these agreed with those obtained by Rahman *et.al.* (1999) who observed that some of *P.mirabilis* isolates which isolated from complicated UTI had capsular polysaccharide. *Enterococcus* isolates had no capsule and these results correlated with those seen by Obana and Nishino (1991) who pointed that *Enterococcus fecalis* were non-encapsulated.

Regarding to the hemolysis of blood, which the hemolysin affected on smooth muscle of blood vessels and heart with damaging of platelets that important in protection from phagocytosis, there was only 18.8% from all isolates produced hemolysin (including  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ -hemolysis).  $\beta$ -

hemolysin was seen in all isolates of *P.mirabilis*, *S.saprophyticus* and *S.aureus* isolates. In addition, 12.0% of *E.coli* produced  $\alpha$ -hemolysin but Okeke *et.al.* (2002) showed that hemolysin produced by 100% of *E.coli* isolated from complicated UTI with capacity to cause kidney damage. Mims *et.al.* (2004) showed that most of *P.mirabilis*, *S.saprophyticus* and *S.aureus* produced  $\beta$ -hemolysin as one of their virulence factors. Other bacterial isolates in our study didn't produced hemolysin on blood agar and this associated with their properties (Mims *et.al.*, 2004)

In regard to extracellular protease production, which is an important to promote the bacterial attachment and inactivate the host defense mechanism, was seen in 100% of *P.aeruginosa* and *S.aureus*. Anderson *et.al.* (1999) and Wu *et.al.* (1999) showed that the *P.aeruginosa* and *S.aureus* produced elastase respectively. In addition, 0% of *P.mirabilis* and 66.7% of *Corynebacterium* produced extracellular protease and that agreed with Walker *et.al.* (1999) and Knipfer *et.al.* (1999) who said that *Corynebacterium* and *P.mirabilis* had ability to produce extracellular protease (metalloproteases). Other bacterial isolates in our study didn't produced extracellular protease and this associated with their properties (Mims *et.al.*, 2004) but Agapova *et.al.* (1999) and Mayer *et.al.* (1999) observed that some strains of *E.coli* and *Klebsiella* produced gelatinase as part of their virulence properties but in our study, they did not produce this enzyme.

Concerning to siderophores which were high efficient low molecular weight iron chelating agents. They were important in the bacterial growth that found in all isolates of *Corynebacterium* and *P.aeruginosa*

and these were in accordance with that obtained by Pohl *et.al.* (1999) and Kerr *et.al.* (1999) respectively who found that these species of bacteria produced iron chelating agents (siderophore). In addition, 87.5% of *E.coli*, 80% of *K.pneumonia* and two out of three of *P.mirabilis*, *Enterobacter* and *Acinetobacter* isolates produced siderophores and these results correlated with that results seen by Vartivarian and Cowart (1999) and Walker *et.al.* (1999) who observed that most of these bacteria produced siderophores as part of their virulence.

Furthermore, 71.4% of *S.epidermidis* and one out of two of *S.saprophyticus* produced siderophores but *S.aureus* did not produce them. These results were agreed with results obtained by Inamori *et.al.* (1999) who pointed out that some of coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus* produced siderophores. One isolate of *Enterococcus* produced siderophores and this agreed with Huebner *et.al.* (1999) who found that some of *Enterococcus* had siderophores-producing gene .

Regarding the adhesion factors of bacteria related to the human being, that the bacterial pilli bind to carbohydrate polymer on renal cells and aiding in attachment of the bacteria with host cell that 33.3% of isolates had CFA/I and 53.1% of them had CFA/III.

In addition, 79.2% of *E.coli* isolates had CFA/I and 50% of them had CFA/III and this results were agreed with other results obtained by Matsumoto *et.al.* (1990) who showed that P-fimbriated *E.coli* had high binding capacity to uroepithelial cells in patients with chronic pyelonephritis and Smyth (1982) showed also that some of *E.coli*

isolates possessed mannose-resistant fimbriae as one of their virulence factors.

Furthermore, 66.6% of *S.epidermidis* had CFA/III and 19% of them had CFA/I that means the majority of *S.epidermidis* had adhesion factors, in addition, one out of two of *S.saprophyticus* had CFA/III . These results were agreed with other results obtained by both Fey *et.al.* (1999), van-Leeuwen *et.al.* (1999) and Mack *et.al.* (1999) who showed that coagulase-negative *Staphylococcus* had mannose-resistant fimbriae with positive haemoagglutination test.

In regard to the *P.mirabilis*, 33.3% of them had CFA/I and 66.6% had CFA/III and this was agreed with Li *et.al.* (1999) who found out that *P.mirabilis* had a mannose-resistant fimbriae aiding in their attachment.

Furthermore, 66.6% of *Corynebacterium* had CFA/I and 33.3% of them had CFA/III and these results were agreed with other results obtained by Luna *et.al.* (1999) who showed that *Corynebacterium urealyticum* had adhesion factors as one of its virulence factors.

Regarding to *Enterobacter*, two out of three of them had both CFA/I and CFA/III and this agreed with Dekitsch *et.al.* (1999) who saw that the *Enterobacter* had fimbriae for attachment to the epithelial cells.

In addition, only 40% of *K.pneumoniae* had CFA/III and no one had CFA/I. This result was agreed with those obtained by Podschun and Sahly (1991) who showed that *K.pneumoniae* had type III mannose resistant fimbriae mostly with nephropathogenic one. Moreover, one isolates of *P.aeruginosa* and *Acinetobacter* and had CFA/III and these correlated with other results obtained by Pasloske *et.al.* (1980) and Joshi

*et.al.* (۲۰۰۳) who stated that some of these bacteria had mannose-resistant fimbriae. *S.aureus* isolate had only CFA/III and this correlated with those obtained by Fey *et.al.* (۱۹۹۹) who pointed out that *S.aureus* had mannose-resistant fimbriae with positive haemoagglutination test. *Enterococcus* isolates had no adhesion factors and these results correlated with those seen by Franz *et.al.* (۱۹۹۹) who pointed out that *Enterococcus fecalis* had no adhesin in their properties.

The production of urease enzyme and the ability to be motile were represented an important virulence factors in chronic pyelonephritis (Vrane *et.al.*, ۲۰۰۱) that ۵۸% of isolates were positive urease production and ۴۴.۴% were motile.

**Table(۳.۱۵):** The numbers and percentages of the virulence factors of bacteria isolated from patients with chronic pyelonephritis.

Type of bacteria	Capsule	hemolysin	exprotease	siderophore	CFA/I	CFA/III
<i>E.coli</i> ( ۲۴)*	۱۱(۴۵.۸%)	۳(۱۲.۵%)	.	۲۱(۸۷.۵%)	۱۹(۷۹.۲%)	۷(۲۹.۲%)
<i>S.epidermidis</i> ( ۲۱)*	۱۶(۷۶.۲%)	.	.	۱۵(۷۱.۴%)	۴(۱۹%)	۱۴(۶۶.۶%)
<i>K.pneumonia</i> ( ۱۰)*	۱۰(۱۰۰%)	.	.	۸(۸۰%)	.	۷(۷۰%)
<i>Corynebacterium</i> ( ۶)*	۶(۱۰۰%)	.	۴(۶۶.۶%)	۶(۱۰۰%)	۱(۱۶.۶%)	۴(۶۶.۶%)
<i>P.mirabilis</i> ( ۶)*	۲(۳۳.۳%)	۶(۱۰۰%)	۳(۵۰%)	۲(۳۳.۳%)	۲(۳۳.۳%)	۴(۶۶.۶%)
<i>P.aeruginosa</i> ( ۳)*	۳(۱۰۰%)	.	۳(۱۰۰%)	۳(۱۰۰%)	.	۱(۳۳.۳%)
<i>Enterobacter</i> ( ۳)*	۲(۶۶.۶%)	.	.	۲(۶۶.۶%)	۱(۳۳.۳%)	۲(۶۶.۶%)
<i>Acinetobacter</i> ( ۳)*	۲(۶۶.۶%)	.	.	۲(۶۶.۶%)	.	۱(۳۳.۳%)
<i>Enterococcus</i> ( ۳)*	.	.	.	۱(۵۰%)	.	۱(۵۰%)
<i>S.saprophyticus</i> ( ۲)*	۲(۱۰۰%)	۲(۱۰۰%)	.	۱(۵۰%)	.	۱(۵۰%)
<i>S.aureus</i> ( ۱)*	۱(۱۰۰%)	۱(۱۰۰%)	۱(۱۰۰%)	.	.	۱(۱۰۰%)
<b>Total</b>	۵۵(۶۷.۹%)	۱۲ (۱۴.۸%)	۱۱(۱۳.۶%)	۶۱(۷۵.۳%)	۲۷(۳۳.۳%)	۴۳(۵۳.۱%)

\* No. of isolates

**Table (٣.١٤):** The numbers and percentages resistance of bacterial isolates to several antibiotics.

Type of bacteria	AMX*	TF*	GM*	CF*	CE*	CXM*	TE*	DOX*	TMX*	VAN*
<i>E.coli</i> ( ٢٤)*	١٩ (٧٩,١%)	٤ (١٦,٦٪)	٩ (٣٧,٥%)	١١ (٤٥,٨٪)	١١ (٤٥,٨٪)	١٠ (٤١,٦٪)	٢١ (٨٧,٥٪)	١٢ (٥٠%)	١٥ (٦٢,٥%)	٢٤ (١٠٠٪)
<i>S.epidermidis</i> ( ٢١)*	١٦ (٧٦,٢٪)	٤ (١٩٪)	١٠ (٤٧,٦٪)	٥ (٢٣,٨٪)	٦ (٢٨,٥٪)	٧ (٣٣,٣٪)	١٨ (٨٥,٧٪)	٩ (٤٢,٩٪)	٢١ (١٠٠٪)	٨ (٣٨٪)
<i>K.pneumonia</i> ( ١٠)*	٩ (٩٠٪)	٨ (٨٠٪)	٤ (٤٠٪)	٣ (٣٠٪)	٣ (٣٠٪)	٣ (٣٠٪)	٦ (٦٠٪)	٤ (٤٠٪)	٩ (٩٠٪)	١٠ (١٠٠٪)
<i>Corynebacterium</i> ( ٦)*	٦ (١٠٠٪)	٦ (١٠٠٪)	٦ (١٠٠٪)	٦ (١٠٠٪)	٤ (٦٦,٦٪)	٥ (٨٣,٣٪)	٦ (١٠٠٪)	٦ (١٠٠٪)	٦ (١٠٠٪)	٢ (٣٣,٣٪)
<i>P.mirabilis</i> .( ٦)*	٦ (١٠٠٪)	٦ (١٠٠٪)	١ (٢٠٪)	٢ (٣٣,٣٪)	٣ (٥٠٪)	٢ (٦٦,٦%)	٦ (١٠٠٪)	٤ (٦٦,٦٪)	٣ (٥٠٪)	٦ (١٠٠٪)
<i>P.aeruginosa</i> ( ٣)*	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٢ (٦٦,٦٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)
<i>Enterobacter</i> ( ٣)*	٢ (٦٦,٦٪)	١ (٣٣,٣٪)	١ (٣٣,٣%)	١ (٣٣,٣%)	٢ (٦٦,٦%)	٢ (٦٦,٦٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)
<i>Acinetobacter</i> ( ٣)*	٣ (١٠٠٪)	١ (٣٣,٣٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	.	.	٢ (٦٦,٦٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٢ (٦٦,٦٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)	٣ (١٠٠٪)
<i>Enterococcus</i> ( ٣)*	١ (٥٠٪)	.	.	.	.	.	١ (٥٠٪)	.	.	.
<i>S.saprophyticus</i> ( ٣)*	١ (٥٠٪)	.	١ (٥٠٪)	.	.	.	٢ (١٠٠٪)	٢ (١٠٠٪)	٢ (١٠٠٪)	.
<i>S.aureus</i> ( ١)*	١ (١٠٠٪)	١ (١٠٠٪)	١ (١٠٠٪)	١ (١٠٠٪)	.	١ (١٠٠٪)	١ (١٠٠٪)	١ (١٠٠٪)	١ (١٠٠٪)	١ (١٠٠٪)
<b>Total</b>	٦٧ (٨٢,٧٪)	٣٤ (٤١,٩٪)	٣٨ (٤٦,٩%)	٣٢ (٣٩,٥%)	٣٢ (٣٩,٥%)	٣٥ (٤٣,٢٪)	٧٠ (٨٦,٤٪)	٤٦(٥٦,٧٪)	٦٦ (٨١,٥٪)	٦٠ (٧٤,١٪)

- \* No. of isolates.

- AMX\* – Amoxicillin, GM\* – Gentamicin, CF\* – Ciprofloxacin, TE\* – Tetracycline, TMX\* – Trimethprim-

Sulfamazole, VAN\* – Vancomycin, CE\* – Cefotaxime, CXM\* – Cefixime, DOX\* – Doxycycline, TF\* – Nitrofurantoin.

## 4.1. CONCLUSIONS

- The chronic pyelonephritis is presented more commonly in middle age group and it is more in females than males. The unilateral uncomplicated cases are the most presentation.
- The symptomatic patients are commonly presented with urinary symptoms and less commonly with complications like hypertension and ureamia.
- The nosocomial bacterial infection is increased like *Proteus*, *Corynebacterium*, *Pseudomonas*, *Enterobacter* and coagulase-negative *Staphylococci*.
- Resistance rates among common uropathogens continue to evolve and appear to be increasing to many antibiotics commonly used for treatment of the chronic pyelonephritis.
- Ciprofloxacin and cefotaxime were the most sensitive antibiotics for treatment the chronic pyelonephritis.
- The capsule, siderophore and colonization factor antigens were an important virulence factors to produce pyelonephritis by the causative bacteria.

## **4.2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Continued surveillance of resistance rates among uropathogens is needed to ensure that appropriate recommendations can be made for treatment of infected patients.
- Further studies addressing the clinical and bacteriological outcomes of patients infected with a resistant pathogen are needed.
- Introduction of new molecular techniques for detection of fastidious microorganisms associated with pyelonephritis other than bacteria is recommended.
- Search for other member of quinolones and third generation cephalosporins that are used to treat chronic pyelonephritis is suggested.

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# دراسة لبعض الجوانب السريرية و البكتيرية للمرضى المصابين بالتهاب الكلية المزمن في مستشفى الحلة التعليمي

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ان هذه الدراسة قد ضمت ١٠٢ مريضا □ كانوا مصابين بالتهاب الكلية المزمن و زاروا مستشفى الحلة التعليمي- وحدة الجراحة البولية وكانت اعمارهم تتراوح ما بين ٧-٨٨ سنة، ٨, ٦١٪ منهم نساء و ٢, ٣٨٪ منهم رجال. الفئة العمرية الاكثر اصابة بين النساء كانت بين ٤٠-٦٠ سنة و بين الرجال فكانت بين ٥٠-٧٠ سنة أما الاعمار التي هي اكثر من ٧٠ سنة فكانت الرجال فيها اكثر من النساء وكانت تمثل الاعمار التي هي اقل من ١٩ سنة ٩, ٥٪ فقط.

ومن الناحية السريرية فانه يوجد هناك حالتان فقط مصابة بالمرض ولكن بدون اعراض اما الباقي فقد كانوا أما يعانون من آلام الخاصرة (٢, ٩٨٪) مع او بدون الاعراض الاخرى لالتهابات المجاري البولية كتكرار التبول (٣, ٨٣٪) و صعوبة التبول (٤, ٧٩٪) والسلس الليلي (٥, ٧٥٪) وكثرة البول (٦, ٦٧٪) والرغبة في التقيء او التقيء (٤, ٣١٪) وفقدان الشهية (٥, ٢٧٪) وفقدان الوزن (٤, ١٧٪). كذلك كان هناك بعض المرضى يعانون من مضاعفات المرض كارتفاع ضغط الدم (٧, ١٣٪) والفشل الكلوي (٨, ٩٪). بالاضافة الى ذلك فقد كان غالبية المرضى مصابون بالتهابات المجاري البولية المتكررة قبل الاصابة بالمرض (٣, ٨٦٪) وان ٧, ٦٢٪ من هؤلاء كانوا قد اصبوا بالحصى الكلوي. أما المصابون بالارتداد البولي المثاني الحالبى فقد كانت نسبتهم (٨, ٤٪) فقط.

أما بالنسبة لنتائج السونار فقد كانت تشير الى ان (٧, ٦٥٪) من الحالات عندهم كلية واحدة مصابة اما الباقي (٣, ٣٤٪) فقد كانت الكليتان مصبتان بالمرض وكانت نتائج تحليل الادرار البسيط قد اشارت الى ان اغلب المرضى كان لديهم خلايا قياسية (pus cell) في الادرار وكانت نسبتهم (١, ٩٤٪) مع او بدون وجود كريات الدم الحمراء (٩, ٦٩٪). وان (٢, ٣٧٪) من المرضى كان لديهم زلال في الادرار و (٥, ١٩٪) لديهم قوالب كلوية في الادرار و كان هناك ايضا (٧, ٢٩٪) من المرضى لهم ادرار قاعدي.

و كذلك فقد كانت نتائج زرع الادرار كانت موجبة ل ٨١ مريض فقط و كانت انواع البكتيريا الظاهرة في الزرع و نسبتها كما يلي: (٦, ٢٩٪) *E.coli*

و(*Staphylococcus epidermidis*) (٢٥,٩%) و(*Klebsiella pneumonia*) (١٢,٣%) و(*Proteus mirabilis*) (٧,٤%) و(*Corynebacterium*) (٧,٤%) لمجموعة و(*Pseudomonas aeruginosa*) (٣,٧%) و(*Enterobacter*) (٣,٧%) مجموعة و(*Staphylococcus saprophyticus*) (٢,٥%) و(*Staphylococcus aureus*) (١,٤%) واخيرا.

اما بالنسبة لتأثير بعض المضادات الحيوية على تلك العزلات البكتيرية فقد اظهرت النتائج ان مقاومة هذه العزلات للنتراسايكليين (٨٦,٤%) وللاموكسسلين (٨٢,٧%) وللترايمثبريم-سلفاميثاكسازول (٨١,٥%) وللدوكسيسايكليين (٥٦,٧%) وللجنتاميسين (٤٦,٩%) ولل سيفكزيم (٤٣,٢%) وللنايتروفورانتوين (٤١,٩%) واخيرا فقد تساوت مقاومتهم للسبروفلوكساسولين وللسيفوتاكزيم بنسبة (٣٩,٥%).

بالإضافة إلى ذلك فقد تمت دراسة بعض عوامل الضراوة التي تمتلكها البكتيريا ولكي تأهلها للتسبب بمرض التهاب الكلية المزمن وقد أظهرت النتائج ان (٧٥,٣%) من العزلات ينتجون السايديروفورات و(٦٧,٨%) يمتلكون المحفظة البكتيرية. اما بالنسبة لعوامل الاستعمار فان (٦٠,٧%) من العزلات يملكونها وان (٣٣,٣%) منهم يملكون عامل الاستعمار الأول و(٥٣,١%) يملكون عامل الاستعمار الثالث. وكان هناك (١٣,٦%) من العزلات قادرة على انتاج الانزيم المحلل للبروتين و(١٤,٨%) قادرة على انتاج الهيمولايسين.

كذلك فان بعض المصادر تعتبر القابلية على الحركة وانتاج اليوريز من عوامل الضراوة المهمة في التهاب الكلية المزمن حيث لوحظ ان ٥٨% من العزلات كانت منتجة لليوريز و(٤٤,٤%) كانت لها القابلية على الحركة.