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## Abbreviations

<b>Abbreviations</b>	<b><i>Meaning</i></b>
<b>WHO</b>	<b>World health organization</b>
<b>UTI</b>	Urinary tract infection
<b>CFU</b>	Colony forming unit
<b>rpm</b>	Rotation per minute
<b>IgM</b>	Immunoglobulin m
<b>IgG</b>	Immunoglobulin g
<b>WBC</b>	White blood cell
<b>Spp.</b>	<b>Species</b>

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## الخلاصة

هذه الدراسة بحثت في عدوى المنطقة البولية في الأطفال تحت ٥ سنوات كانت قد طبقت لتمييز الأسباب البكتيرية ونتائج حساسية المضادات الحيوية وأيضاً الاستجابة المناعية إلى تلك البكتيريا.

هذه الدراسة امتدت من ٢٠٠٤/١٢/١ إلى ٢٠٠٥/١٢/١ في مستشفى الأطفال في مدينة كربلاء، وكانت طرق البحث المستخدمة في هذه الدراسة كانت المعايير القياسية لتحليل البول للبحث عن البيلة القححية التي تعني حضور أكثر من ٥ خلايا قححية في بول مطرود مركزياً تحت أعلى قوة للمجهر (منظمة الصحة العالمية، ٢٠٠١) وأيضاً اللون وضبابية وحموضة البول سُجِّلت لكل عينة وأيضاً الزرع البكتيري للبول أجري لاكتشاف الأنواع البكتيرية المسببة لالتهاب المجاري البولية بالإضافة إلى اختبار حساسية المضادات الحيوية وأيضاً الاستجابة المناعية المحددة إلى الأنواع البكتيرية قُيِّمت باختبار فحص التلازن الشعاعي المناعي .

المعايير القياسية في هذه الدراسة كانت مدى العمر من الولادة إلى خمس سنوات، الجنس، التهاب المنطقة البولية السابق في الطفل، السكن، نوع الرضاعة، الشكوى الرئيسية عند الطفل، حالات شذوذ جنينية إذا كانت موجودة، التاريخ الطبي السابق عند الطفل.

وكان اختيار مجموع الحالات بشكل عشوائي في هذه الدراسة كانت ٣٨٥ طفل (١٥٦ ولد و ٢٢٩ بنت)، البيلة القححية شُخصت في ١٠٠ حالة منهم هم كانوا ٣٧ ولد و ٦٣ بنت.

٥٦ زرع بكتيري للبول إيجابية للأولاد والبنات الذي منه ٢١ (١٣.٥%) من ١٥٦ حالة للأولاد والنتائج للبنات كانوا ٣٥ (١٥.٣%) من ٢٢٩ حالة وكانت الزروع البكتيرية للبول الإيجابية لـ (*E.coli*) كانت ٣٧ (٦٦%)، ولد (*Proteus*) ١٠ (١٨%)،

وللـ ( *Klebsiella* ) ٣ ( ٥.٤ % ) ، وللـ ( *Staphylococcus saprophyticus* )  
٤ ( ٧.١ % ) ، وللـ ( *Pseudomonas* ) ١ ( ١.٨ % ) ، وللـ ( *Enterobacter* ) ١  
( ١.٨ % )

أما بالنسبة إلى الزرع البكتيرية التي لم نستطع أن نَعزَلْ أيَّ بكتيريا فيها بالرغم من  
أنّها حضنت لأكثر من ٤٨ ساعة، كان عددها ( ٤٤ ) لـ ٢٠ ولدَ و ٢٤ بنتَ واعتبرت  
سالبة بسبب استعمال المضادات الحيوية.

إما بالنسبة إلى تقبل ( *E.Coli* ) إلى المضادات الحيوية مُيزت بالمقاومة العالية إلى  
الكوترايماكزاول ، الاموكسيلين ، وحيث اعتبرت حساسة إلى النايتروفورانتوين ،  
الناليدكسيك أسد ، الجنتاميسين ، السيفوتوكسيم .

وكانت المقاومة العالية للـ ( *Klebsiella* ) أيضاً نحو الاموكسيلين و السيفوتوكسيم ،  
وحيث اعتبرت حساسة نحو الكوترايماكزاول و النايتروفورانتوين .

وكانت المقاومة العالية للـ ( *proteus* ) نحو الاموكسيلين وحساسة للناليدكسيك اسد  
والسيفوتوكسيم .

وكانت حساسية المضادات الحيوية للـ ( *Staphylococcus saprophyticus* )  
نحو الناليدكسيك أسد و السيفوتوكسيم و النايتروفورانتوين .

وكانت حساسية المضادات الحيوية للـ ( *Pseudomonas* )  
وللـ ( *Enterobacter* ) نحو السيفوتوكسيم و النايتروفورانتوين .

وكانت نتائج الاستجابة المناعية إلى بكتريا الـ ( *E.Coli* ) ( ٢٧٩٢.٥  
ملغم/١٠٠ مل ) من تركيز الأجسام المضادة IgG التي تُمثّل العدوى المُزمنة و ( ٣١٨.٥  
ملغم/١٠٠ مل ) من تركيز الأجسام المضادة IgM التي تُمثّل العدوى الحادة .

وكانت إلى بكتريا الـ (*proteus*) ( ٢٤٣٩.٦ ملغم / ١٠٠ مل ) من تركيز الاجسام المضادة IgG فقط (٦٦.٨ ملغم / ١٠٠ مل) من تركيز الأجسام المضادة IgM .

ولحالات البيله القحيه التي كانت زروعها البكتيرية سالبة (١٤٤٨ ملغم / ١٠٠ مل) من تركيز الأجسام المضادة IgG و (١٦.٨ ملغم / ١٠٠ مل) من تركيز الأجسام المضادة IgM ولذا عموماً كانت الاستجابة المناعية إلى بكتريا الـ (*E.Coli*) أعلى من منها إلى (*proteus*) الذي كان بدورها أعلى من حالات البيله القحيه التي كانت زروعها البكتيرية سالبة .

## Abstract

A study of urinary tract infection in children under 5 years had been planned to identify the bacterial causes, antibiogram profile and also immunological response to these bacterial infection. This study extended from 1/12/2004 to 1/12/2005 in The Pediatric Hospital in Karballa. The methods of investigation used in this study were the standard criteria for urinalysis to look for pyuria which means the presence of more than 10 pus cells in centrifuged urine in high power field (Vandepitte *et.al.*, 1991), also the color, cloudiness, acidity of urine were registered for each sample. A urine culture was performed to detect the presence of any types of bacteria as well as its antibiotic sensitivity test. The specific immunological response to bacterial types were assessed by immunodiffusion test.

The patients variables of this study were the age range from birth to five years, sex, previous urinary tract infection, circumcision in boys, type of feeding, chief complaint, and past medical history of the child.

The total selected patients of this study were 380 children (156 boys and 224 girls), Pyuria was diagnosed in 100 patients. They were 37 boys and 63 girls. Fifty six positive urine cultures for boys and girls of which 21 (13.5%) from 156 patients for boys and the

results for girls were 30 (10.3%) from 229 cases .The number of positive urine cultures for *E .coli* were 37 (66%), 10 (18%) for *Proteus* , 3 (5.4%) *Klebsiella* , 1 (1.8%) *Pseudomonas*, 4 (7.1%) *Staphylococcus saprophyticus* , 1 (1.8%) for *Enterobacter* . Forty four cultures failed to isolate any bacteria although they were incubated for more than 48 hours ,they were 20 boys and 24 girls and considered negative due to the use of antibiotics.

*Escherichia coli* antibiotics susceptibility was characterized by high resistance to amoxicillin , cotrimaxazole ,while it was susceptible to nitrofurantoin , nalidixic acid , cefotaxime , gentamicin. The high resistance among *Klebsiella pneumonia* also toward amoxicillin and for cefotaxime, but it was susceptible to nitrofurantoin and cotrimaxazole . The high resistance of *proteus* to amoxicillin was noticed while it was sensitive for nalidixic acid and cefotaxime.

*Staphylococcus saprophyticus* isolates were sensitive to cefotaxime, nalidixic acid and nitrofurantoin .

*Pseudomonas* and *Enterobacter* were sensitive to cefotaxime and nitrofurantoin .

The results of immunological response to *E. coli* show (2792.0 mg/dl) IgG antibodies which represent chronic infection and (318.0 mg/dl) IgM antibodies which represent acute infection. However with *proteus* infections (2439.6 mg/dl) anti proteus IgG antibodies and

only(66.8 mg/dl) IgM anti proteus antibodies were detected .

Pyuria cases with negative cultures had (1448 mg/dl) IgG antibodies and (66.8 mg/dl) IgM antibodies .So in general the immunological response for *E. coli* was higher than *proteus* which was higher than that of pyuria cases with negative cultures .

# **Introduction**

## ***Chapter One***

## Introduction

The Urinary tract infection(UTI) are bacterial infection of Urinary tract (kidney , ureter , bladder , and urethra ) .UTI are usually associated with congenital abnormalities of urinary tract. These infection can become serious if undetected, and can some time lead to permanent kidney damage, however , they are generally treated effectively with antibiotics (Ginsburg .et.al, 1982).

The urinary tract infection is defined by the presence of pure bacterial growth  $> 100,000$  colony forming unit /ml ( kass , 1900 ).

The pyuria mean presence of more than  $10^6$  pus cells in high power field of microscope in centrifuged urine ( WHO, 2001 ) .so white blood cells (leukocytes ) are counted.

The pyuria is sufficient for diagnosis of Urinary tract infection in non hospitalized patient if standard symptoms or just fever in small children are also present ( Harvey , 2002 ) .

Recurrent urinary tract infection are either relapse with the original infecting organism or reinfection with a different organism, In general, relapses developed within 3 weeks after cessation of therapy for previous infection. Occasionally, reinfection occur with the same organism that has persisted in the vagina or feces and may be mistaken for relapse. Reinfection account for 80% of recurrent infections (stamey, 1972)

## **Aims of study**

١. To determine the prevalence of bacterial causes of UTI .
٢. to evaluate the efficacy of some related factors.
٣. to detect the types of antibiotics which are effective.
٤. to study the immunological response of children with UTI for specific types of bacteria.
٥. This study focus on why children have UTI and what can be done to prevent these infections.

# Literature Review

## *Chapter Two*

## ۲.۱ Anatomy of the urinary tract

### ۲.۱.۱ Kidneys

#### A. Anatomy:

The kidneys lie along the borders of the psoas muscles and are therefore oblique placed. The adult kidney weighs about ۱۵۰ gram. The kidneys are supported by the perineal fat (which is enclosed in the perineal fascia), the renal vascular pedicle, abdominal muscle tone, and the general bulk of the abdominal viscera. On longitudinal section the kidney is seen to be made up of an outer cortex, central medulla, and the internal calices and pelvis. The cortex is homogenous in appearance, portions of it project toward the pelvis between papillae and fornices and are called the columns of bertin. The medulla consists of numerous pyramid formed by the converging collecting tubules which drain into minor calices (Emil, ۱۹۸۱).

#### B. Histology:

The kidney composed of three parts

#### ۱. Nephron:

**It is the functioning unit of the kidney which is composed of a tubules which has both secretory and excretory function.**

## 2. Secretory portion:

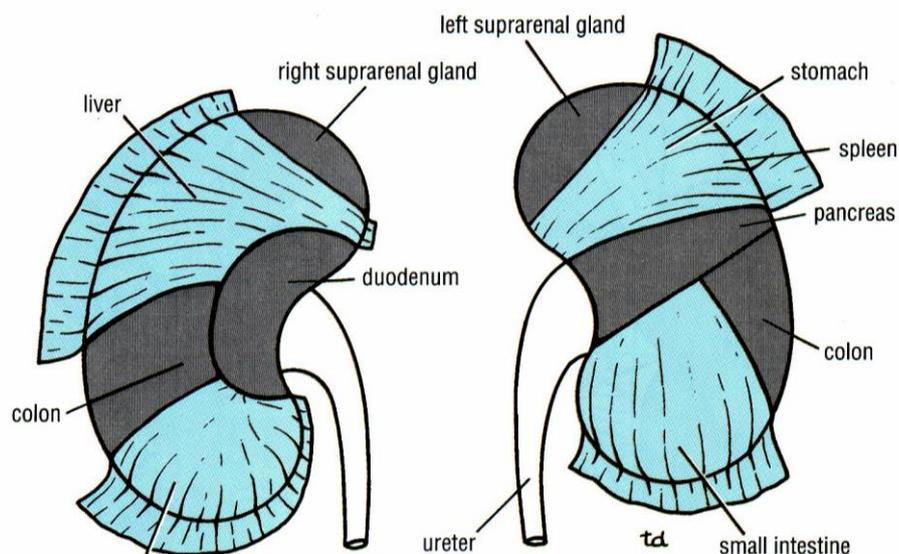
It is contained largely within the cortex and consist of a renal corpuscle and the secretory part of the renal tubule. The excretory portion of this duct lies in the medulla.

The renal corpuscle is composed of the vascular glomerulus which projects into Bowmans capsule which in turn is- continuous with the epithelium of the proximal convoluted tubule.

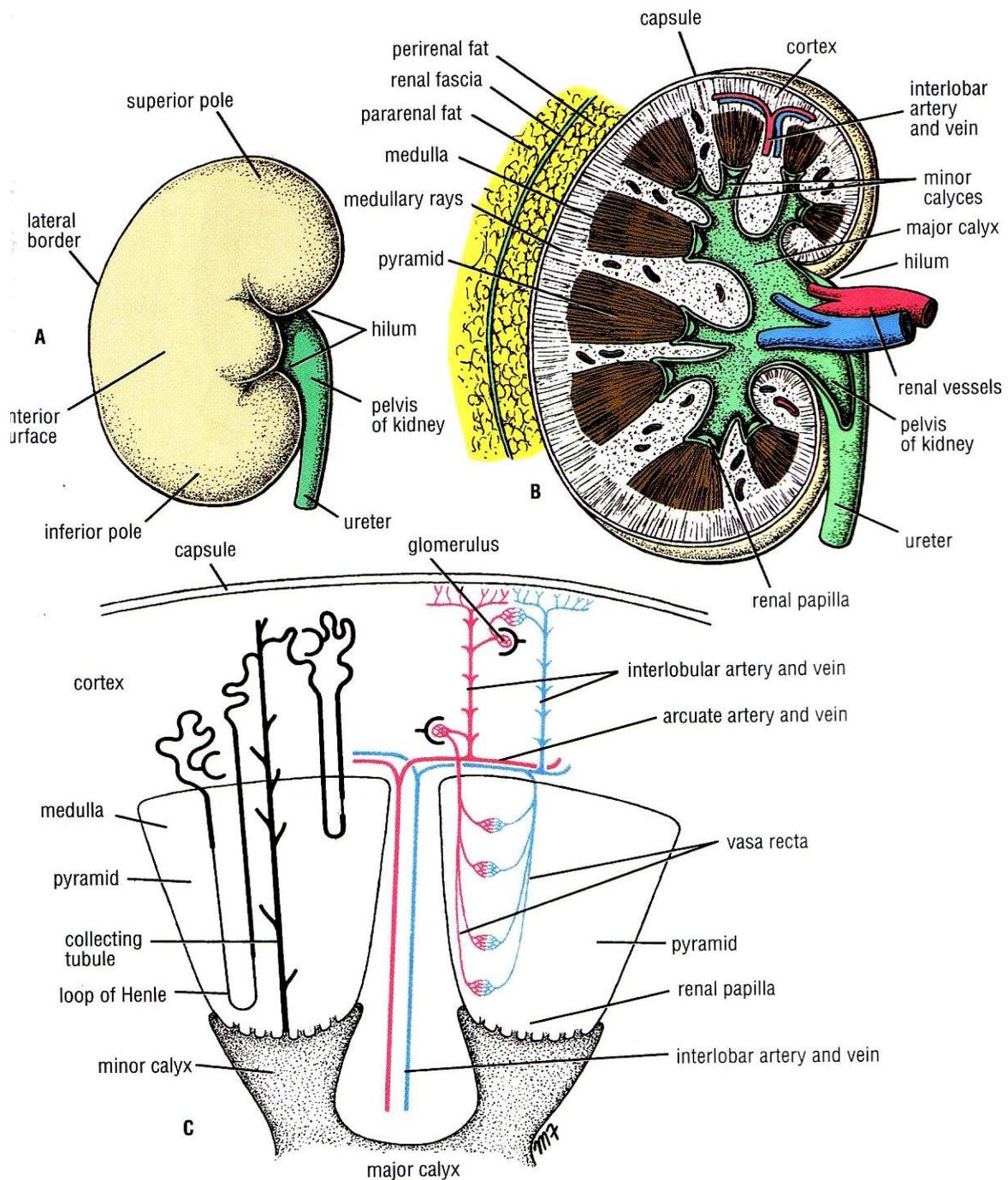
The secretory renal tubule is made up of the proximal convoluted tubule, the loop of Henle and distal convoluted tubule.

## 3. Excretory portion:

**It is the collecting tubule which is continuous with the distal end of ascending limb of convoluted tubule. It empties it's content through the tip (papilla) of pyramid into a minor calix (Emil, 1981).**



**Figure 2.1** Anterior relations of both kidneys. Visceral peritoneum covering kidneys has been left in position. Shaded areas indicate where kidney is in direct contact with adjacent viscera.



**Figure 2.2** (A) right kidney ,anterior surface.(B) Right kidney , coronal section , showing cortex, medulla, pyramids, renal papillae, and calyces. (C) Section of kidney showing the relationship of the collecting ducts, the vasa recta, and the interlobular and arcuate arteries and veins.

## 2.1.2 Calices, Renal pelvis and ureters

### A. Anatomy:

#### a- Calices:

The tip of the minor calices 8-12 in number are indented by the projecting pyramids. These calices unite to form 2 or 3 major calices which join the renal pelvis.

#### b-Renal pelvis:

The pelvis may be entirely intra renal or partly intra renal and partly extra renal (Emil 1981).

The pelvis emerges through the lower part of hilus and tapering downward on psoas major, join the ureter near the inferior extremity of the kidney (Romanes, 1986).

#### c- Ureters:

**These are narrow muscular tubes 20 cm long which convey urine from the kidneys to the bladder. Ureters having 3 constrictions:**

(1) Where renal pelvis join the ureter.

(2) Where it is kinked as it cross the pelvic brim.

(3) Where it pierce the bladder wall.

The ureters emerge from the hilus of kidneys and run vertically downward behind the parietal peritoneum on the psoas muscles which separates it from the tips of the transverse processes of the lumbar vertebrae.

### **2.1.3 Bladder**

#### **A. Anatomy:**

This muscular urine store in women its posterior wall and dome are invaginated by the uterus. The adult bladder has capacity of 300-400 ml. The empty bladder is pyramidal in shape having an apex, a base and a superior and two inferolateral surface. The apex of the bladder lies behind the upper margin of the symphysis pubis. The base or posterior surface of the bladder triangular in shape, the superolateral angles are joined by the ureters and the inferior angle gives rise to the urethra (Richard, 1986).

#### **B. Histology:**

The bladder has mucous, submucous, muscular, subserous and serous (peritoneal) coats. The muscular coat is composed of smooth muscle fibers (detrusor muscle) which are thickest around the

internal urethral orifice and form the vesicle sphincter( Lumely.et.al, 1981) .

## 2.2. Classification of urinary tract infection :

There are three basic forms of UTI: pyelonephritis, cystitis, and asymptomatic bacteriuria.

1-**Clinical pyelonephritis:** is characterized by any or all of the following: abdominal or flank pain, fever, malaise, nausea, vomiting, jaundice in neonates, and occasionally diarrhea .Some newborns and infants may show nonspecific symptoms such as poor feeding, irritability, and weight loss.

2-**Cystitis:** indicates that there is a bladder involvement and includes dysuria, urgency, frequency, suprapubic pain, incontinence ,and malodorous urine.

3-**Asymptomatic bacteriuria:** refer to a positive urine culture in children's without any manifestations and occurs almost exclusively in girls (Rushton, 1997).

## 2.3. Normal flora of the Urogenital Tract.

Urine is normally sterile, and since the urinary tract is flushed with urine every few hours, microorganisms have problems gaining access and becoming established. The flora of the anterior urethra, as indicated principally by urine cultures, suggests that the area may be inhabited by a relatively consistent normal flora consisting of *Staphylococcus epidermidis*, *Enterococcus faecalis* and some alpha-hemolytic streptococci. Their numbers are not plentiful, however. In addition, some enteric bacteria (e.g. *E. coli*, *Proteus*) and corynebacteria, which are probably contaminants from the skin, vulva or rectum, may occasionally be found at the anterior urethra.

The vagina becomes colonized soon after birth with corynebacteria, staphylococci, non pyogenic streptococci, *E. coli*, and a lactic acid bacterium historically named "Doderlein's bacillus" (*Lactobacillus acidophilus*). During reproductive life, from puberty to menopause, the vaginal epithelium contains glycogen due to the actions of circulating estrogens. Doderlein's bacillus predominates, being able to metabolize the glycogen to lactic acid. The lactic acid and other products of metabolism inhibit colonization by all except Doderlein's bacillus and a select number of lactic acid bacteria. The resulting low pH of the vaginal epithelium prevents establishment of most bacteria as well as the potentially-pathogenic yeast, *Candida albicans*. This is a striking example of the protective effect of the normal bacterial flora for their human host (Todar, 2002).

## ۲.۴. Pathophysiology

Almost all UTIs are ascending in origin and are caused by bacteria in the GI tract that have colonized the periurethral area. After birth, the periurethral area, including the distal urethra, becomes colonized with aerobic and anaerobic microorganisms (Bollgren and Winberg .۱۹۸۹). These organisms appear to function as a defense barrier against colonization by potential pathogens. Disturbance of the normal periurethral flora, such as may occur when an upper respiratory tract infection is treated with a broad-spectrum antibiotic, predisposes to colonization of the periurethral area by potential uropathogens (Lidefelt .۱۹۹۱).

Data from studies of women with recurrent UTIs support the concept that periurethral colonization with a uropathogen plays an important role in the pathogenesis of recurrent infections (Stamm. ۱۹۸۴). These findings have not been confirmed in children (Schlager,et,al.۱۹۹۳).

However, children recently treated with antibiotics do have an increased risk of a febrile UTI compared with children with a non-UTI febrile illness who did not have recent antibiotic exposure ( Mårild,et,al. 1989).

The pathophysiology of UTI reflects a complex interaction between virulence factors of the microorganisms and the host defense( Barnett and Stephens. 1997).

The perineal flora are normal inhabitants of the distal urethra. Urine in the proximal urethra, the urinary bladder, and more proximal sites within the urinary tract is normally sterile. Uropathogens must gain access to the urinary bladder and proliferate if infection is to occur. Bacteria in the distal urethra may gain access to the bladder because of turbulent urine flow during normal voiding, as a consequence of voiding dysfunction, or as a result of the use of instrumentation. In any case, normal voiding results in essentially complete washout of contaminating bacteria. Therefore, urinary bladder colonization does not usually occur unless bladder defense mechanisms are impaired or a virulent strain of bacteria has gained access to the bladder. In the absence of normal bladder emptying, there is proliferation of bacteria in bladder urine and the risk of a UTI. Even with normal bladder emptying, adherence to uroepithelial cells by virulent organisms such as P-fimbriated *Escherichia coli* may result in a UTI.

P fimbriae (or pili) are organelles on *E coli* that mediate attachment to specific receptors on uroepithelial cells and impair washout of the bacteria (Roberts,et,al. 1980).

The majority of UTIs in neurologically and anatomically intact children are caused by *E coli*. Children with intestinal carriage of P-fimbriated *E coli* are at increased risk for UTI because of colonization of the periurethral area by these pathogens (Plos,et,al. 1990).

## 2.9. Epidemiology

- The urinary tract infection is not uncommon in childhood. about 8% or more of girls and about 2% of boys will have a urinary tract infection at some time during childhood. The majority of urinary tract infections occur in the first year of life.

- Most UTI are due to normal bowel flora. *E. coli* is the causative

organism in 80% of cases. Other common causative organisms are *Klebsiella*, *Pseudomonas* and other gram-negative organisms.

- Urinary tract infections are much more common in girls than boys (at least 10:1)-this is true for all age groups except the newborn where the higher incidence of congenital abnormalities of urinary tract in the male, makes the reverse true (Larcombe 1999).

## 2.6. Diagnosis

A -Urine sample collection

the specimen for urinalysis and culture should be obtained by catheter or suprapubic aspiration in the infant or child unable to void on request. suprapubic aspiration is the method of choice in the uncircumcised male. a midstream clean catch specimen may be obtained from the child with urinary control. A bagged specimen of urine that show no growth or fewer than 10,000 colony-forming units (CFU) per ml is evidence of the absence of a UTI. if the child who not yet achieved urinary control has symptoms that mandate immediate treatment, and analysis of the urine specimen obtained

by bag shows pyuria ,a urine sample should be obtained by suprapubic aspiration or catheter before stating antibiotic therapy because of high incidence of false positive urine culture(Ginsburg,et,al. 1982) .So the ways of collection of urine was recommended as follow.

1- Urine bag collection (not recommended

a- High incidence of contamination.

2- Clean catch urine of first morning void.

3- Urine catheter specimen.

a-Recommended if child under age 2 years.

4- Suprapubic aspirate.

a- consider for child under age 6 months old (Bulloch.et.al,2000).

## **B- Microscopic Urinalysis**

A urinalysis involve physical and chemical examination of urine. In addition, the urine is spun in a centrifuge 10-15 ml at 1000 to 3000 rpm for 5 minutes to allow sediments containing blood cells,

bacteria, and other particles to collect . This sediment is then examined under a microscope. A urinalysis then, offers a number of valuable clues for an accurate diagnosis:

1- Simply observing the urine for color and cloudiness can be important.

2- Acidity is measured .

3- White blood cells (leukocytes) are counted. A high count in the urine is referred as pyuria. (A leukocytes count of over 10 per micro liter of urine indicates pyuria.

Pyuria is usually sufficient for a diagnosis of UTI in non hospitalized patient if standard symptoms (or just fever in small children) are also present(Harvey, 2002).

### ***C-Urine culture***

A urine culture is a urine specimen observed for 24 to 48 hours in a laboratory for the presence of any bacterial growth. It is not routinely performed but may be conducted under certain circumstances

-If urinalysis is negative but the patient has severe UTI symptoms, particularly in hospitalized patients who have a catheter and who develop fever or other signs infection.

-If the infection is recurrent.

-if the physician suspects complications.

-if girls younger than two years have a high fever of unknown origin that lasts two days or more(Harvey, 2002).

**-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 (farmor. *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). **Radio isotopic 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.*, 1981).

**-Cystoscopy:** It shows the evidence of reflux at the ureteral orifices or site of kidney stone (Ilyas. *et.al.*, 2002).

## 2.7. RADIAL IMMUNODIFFUSION TEST

### **Intended Use**

**The quantitation of serum proteins as an aid in diagnosing deficiency disorders.**

### **Summary**

Single radial immunodiffusion tests have evolved from the work of (Fahey .*et.al.*, 1960). They are specific for the various proteins in serum or other fluids and depend on the reaction of each protein with its specific antibody.

When the wells in antibody containing gels are completely filled with the antigen, the precipitin rings which develop after 10-20 hours at room temperature are measured. The diameter of the ring

and the logarithm (base 10) of the protein concentration are related in a linear fashion. Using appropriate reference standards, the concentration of unknown samples may be measured.

### **Principle**

Radial immunodiffusion is based on the diffusion of antigen from a circular well radial into a homogeneous gel containing specific antiserum for each particular antigen. A circle of precipitated antigen and antibody forms, and continues to grow until equilibrium is reached. The diameters of the rings are a function of antigen concentration. After overnight incubation, the zone diameters of reference sera are plotted against the logarithm (base 10) of the antigen concentration. If equilibrium is reached, the reference sera zone diameters are squared and plotted against their concentration (linear). At intervals in between, a linear relationship does not occur. Unknown concentrations are measured by reference to the standard curve.

### **2.8. Antibiotics for Patients with urinary tract infection:**

1) Amoxicillin :

It is semi synthetic 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 52% of bacterial UTI responded to amoxicillin. In addition, (Leblebicioglu and Esen , 2003) and (Aggarwal. *et. al*, 2003) showed that more than 73% of *E .coli* and 88.5% 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*, 2002; Savov. *et. al*, 2002; Suarez. *et. al*, 2002).

## 2) Cephalosporin's

All first three generations of cephalosporin's have oral preparations that have been used for treatment of recurrent UTI (Wilhelm and Edson , 1987).

***a- First generation cephalosporin's:*** 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, cephalexin and cephradine) or parenteral (cephalothin, cephalosporin and cephradine). Now; the usage of first generation cephalosporins is limited because of high resistance to it (Martinez *et.al.* 1990).

***b- Second generation cephalosporin's:*** 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*, (2003) showed that only 26% of patients with hospital-acquired UTI responded to second-generation cephalosporin's.

***c- Third generation cephalosporin's:*** They have bactericidal action

that inhibits cell wall synthesis. They are highly stable in the presence of B-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, 2002).

The third generation cephalosporins have been found effective 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, 2003). In addition, 98% of \* *Acinetobacter* isolated from patients with UTI were also sensitive to cefotaxime (Irgbu *et. al.*, 2003) but Zhou *et. al.*, (2003) showed that *Enterobacter* were highly 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 40% of bacterial UTI were resistant to it including 11% of *E. coli* and 42% of *S. epidermidis* isolated from patients with UTI (Ghiro *et. al*, 2002 and Jureen *et. al*, 2003).

#### 4) Nitrofurantoin

It is synthetic nitrofurantoin that interferes with bacterial carbohydrate metabolism by inhibiting acetyl coenzyme 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 lower 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).

### **6) 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 (70%) (Ghiro. *et. al*, 2002).

### **7) 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).

## 2.9. Bacteriological Agents

### 2.9.1. 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, 2004).**

**Table (2.1) Biochemical tests of Enterobacteriaceae modified from (Brooks.et. al, 2001).**

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

**A acid**

Alk alkaline

G gas

### **2.9.1.1. 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 (Malsumoto. *et. al*, 1990). The capsule of *E .coli* represented the antigenic structure (K antigen) and it is highly associated with the pathogenicity 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 the complicated UTI and this is not well clear on blood agar (Eisenstein and Azaleznik, 2000). Some strains are urease-producing *E .coli* and they are commonly presented in complicated UTI (Collins and Falkow, 1990). 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 p-lactamase that play an important role in the virulence of bacteria.

The recent studies showed that 47% of patients with UTI have *E .coli* in their cultures (Gordon and Jones, 2003). 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, 1996).

### **2.9.1.2. proteus spp.**

proteus species produce infections in humans only when the bacteria leave the intestinal tract .they are found in urinary tract infections and produce bacteremia ,pneumonia ,and focal lesions in debilitated patients or those receiving intravenous infusions .*P mirabilis* cause urinary tract infection and occasionally other infection. *P vulgaris* and *Morganella morganii* are important nosocomial infection.

Proteus species produce urease resulting in rapid hydrolysis of urea with liberation of ammonia .thus , in urinary tract infections with proteus ,the urine becomes alkaline promoting stone formation and making acidification virtually impossible .the rapid motility of proteus may contribute to its invasion of urinary tract .

Strains of proteus vary greatly in antibiotic sensitivity .*P mirabilis* is often inhibited by penicillin's ,the most active antibiotics for other members of the group are aminoglycosides and cephalosporin's(Abbott,2003) .

### ۲.۹.۱.۳. *Klebsiella pneumonia*

*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 B-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 endotoxin has an important role in virulence and antibiotic resistance of bacteria (Gilchrist, ۱۹۹۵). *Enterobacter* can produce antibacterial substance that has antagonistic activity against a wide range of bacteria except *Acinetobacter* and *Pseudomonas* (Yaping . et. al, ۲۰۰۳).

### ۲.۹.۱.۴. *Serratia spp.*

They are lactose-fermenter gram-negative short rods *Enterob-*

*acteriaceae* 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, hemolysin 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 B-lactamase enzyme has given to bacteria high resistance to several antibiotics like that in *Pseudomonas* bacteria (Kouda. *et.al*, 1990).

#### 2.9.2. **Staphylococcal spp.**

They are gram-positive spherical bacteria usually arranged in grap 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 included 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*, 2004).

**Table (2.2):** Biochemical tests of Staphylococcal spp modified from

(Brooks .et.al, ٢٠٠١).

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

\* Novobiocin used only to distinguish between *S.epidermidis* and

*S.saprophyticus*.

#### **۲.۹.۲.۱. 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., ۱۹۹۶). 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 ۲۰٪ as a nosocomial infection (Guirguilzova . et. al, ۲۰۰۲).

#### **۲.۹.۲.۲. 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 to the institutions and the geographical areas (Todar, ۲۰۰۱). It is resistant to several antibiotics such as 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., ۱۹۹۶).

#### ۲.۹.۲.۳. **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 production of B-lactamase enzyme that is chromosomally resistance (Takahashi et al, 1999).

### **2.9.3. *Pseudomonas aeruginosa***

It is non-fermenter 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).

## 2.10. Management

If treatment is initiated before the results of a culture and sensitivity are available, a 3- to 6-day course of therapy with trimethoprim – sulfamethoxazole is effective against most strains of E.coli. Nitrofurantoin (5-7 mg/kg/24 hr in three to four divided doses) is also effective and has the advantage of being active against Klebsiella-Enterobacter organisms. Amoxicillin (50 mg/kg/24 hr) is also effective as initial treatment but has no clear advantages over the sulfonamides or nitrofurantoin.

In acute febrile infections suggestive of pyelonephritis, a 14-day course of broad-spectrum antibiotics capable of reaching significant tissue levels is preferable. If the child is acutely ill, parenteral treatment with ceftriaxone (50-70 mg/kg/24 hr. not to exceed 2 g) or ampicillin (100 mg/kg/24 hr) with an aminoglycosides such as gentamicin (3 to 6 mg/kg/24 hr in three divided doses) is preferable. The potential ototoxicity and nephrotoxicity of aminoglycosides should be considered and serum creatinine levels must be obtained prior to initiating treatment as well as daily thereafter as long as treatment continues. Treatment with aminoglycosides is

particularly against pseudomonas(Rushton, 1997).

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*Chapter Three*

## **۳.۱. Patients And Materials**

### **۳.۱.۱ Patients**

This study began from ۱/۱۲/۲۰۰۴ to ۱/۱۲/۲۰۰۵. ۱۰۰ children's patient with pyuria were taken in pediatric hospital of karballa from ۳۸۵ children's who had complaints related to UTI. Their age range between birth to ۵ years. ۶۳ females and ۳۷ males. The investigations were made to children's, GUE. urine culture and antibiotic sensitivity results and also the immunodiffusion test to some patients serum with specific types of bacteria.

### **۳.۱.۲ Materials**

Many types of instruments and chemical materials in addition to biological materials were used in this thesis to complete the research. The materials were taken from different sources and companies which listed in tables ۱, ۲, ۳.

**Table ( 1 ) :List of Biological and chemical materials**

<b>No</b>	<b>Materials</b>	<b>Company</b>
१	Pepton powder	Rashmi Dignostics, India
२	Blood agar ,Muller-Hinton agar	Mast lab, uk
३	MacConcky agar	Biomark lab, India
॔	Nutrient agar ,Nutrient broth	Bio life, India
ॕ	Antibiotic disc	Razi, Iraq
ॖ	Urea agar base	Oxid Ltd, England
ॗ	Simon citrate agar, kliglar Iron agar, MR-VP broth	Difco , Michigan
क़	Immunodiffusion kit	Kent , USA
ख़	Methyl red,a- Naphthol ,Tetramethyl-p-paraphenylene	B.D.H.

	<b>diamine dihydrochloride.</b>	
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*Table ( ٢ ) : list of instruments used*

<b>No</b>	<b>Instrument</b>	<b>Company</b>
١	<b>Sensitive electronic balance</b>	<b>A and O , Japan</b>
٢	<b>Incubator</b>	<b>Termaks, Stockholm</b>
٣	<b>Ditillatur</b>	<b>C.fL, Germany</b>
٤	<b>Benson Burner</b>	<b>Germany</b>
٥	<b>Light microscope</b>	<b>Olympus, Japan</b>
٦	<b>centrifuge</b>	<b>NF ٨١٥-Ankra, Turkey</b>
٧	<b>micropipette</b>	<b>Oxford, USA</b>
٨	<b>refrigerator</b>	<b>General , Japan</b>
٩	<b>Inoculating loop</b>	<b>Japan</b>
١٠	<b>Inoculating needle</b>	<b>Japan</b>
١١	<b>oven</b>	<b>Memert, Germany</b>

*Table( ٣ ) The potency of antibiotics according to antibiotic source(Iraq, Razi )*

<b>Cefotaxime</b>	10 mcg
<b>Gentamycin</b>	10 mcg
<b>Amikacin</b>	30 mcg
<b>Amoxicillin</b>	10 mcg
<b>Cotrimaxazole</b>	20 mcg
<b>Nitrofuratoin</b>	300 mcg
<b>Nalidixic acid</b>	300 mcg

## 3.2. *Diagnosis*

### 3.2.1 *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).

## 3.2.2 PREPARATION OF MEDIA

These media were prepared as manufactures recommendations

### 1- Blood agar base .

a -suspend by swirling 37.0 g of powder in liter of distilled or deionised water

b- autoclave at 121 c for 10 minute

c-mix well before pouring. For blood agar add 5% blood at 50 c .

### 2- Nutrient agar.

suspend 23 g in 1000 ml of cold distilled water .heat to boiling ,adjust the pH to 7.4 .distribute and sterilize at 121 c for 10 minute.

### 3- Macconkey agar.

suspend 51.0 g in 1000 ml distilled water . boil to dissolve the medium completely ,adjust the pH to 7.4 .sterilize by autoclaving at 121 c for 10 minutes.

#### ξ - 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., 1996).

### ۳.۲.۳. Biochemical Tests

#### ۳.۲.۳.۱. Catalase Test :

It was prepared by dissolving of ۰.۱ gm of Tetra-P-fJ paraphenylene diamine dihydrochloride in ۱۰ ml of distill water and stored in a dark container (Baron et.al, 1996). A colony of the organism was transferred to a drop of ۳%  $H_2O_2$  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).

### **3.2.3.2. Oxidase Test:**

It was prepared by dissolving 3 gm of  $H_2O_2$  to 100 ml of distill water and was stored it in dark container (Baron *et.al.*, 1996).

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).

### **3.2.3.3. 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).

### **3.2.3.4. Methyl red reagent :**

0.1 gm of Methyl red was dissolved in 300 ml of 99% ethanol and then the volume was completed to 500 ml by distill water (Macfaddin, 2000).

### **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 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).

### **3.2.3.0. Voges -Proskauer reagent**

Reagent A) 0 gm of a-naphthol was dissolved in 100 ml of 99% ethanol.

Reagent B) 40 gm of KOH was dissolved in 100 ml of distill water (Collee, et.al., 1996).

### **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 to stand 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).

### **3.2.3.6. Indol Test:**

A 1% solution of tryptone broth was prepared in the tubes then it was sterilized into the autoclave at 121 C for 10 minutes. After that the broth inoculated with bacterial colonies and it was incubated for 18-22 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).

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).

### **3.2.3.7. Simon Citrate Test:**

After the sterilization of Simon citrate slants by autoclave at 121 C for 10 minutes then cooled to 60 C and inoculated with the bacterial cultures and incubated 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).

#### **3.2.3.8. Urease Test:**

The urea base agar was sterilized by autoclave at 121 C for 10 minutes. 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).

**3.2.3.9. 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).

**3.2.3.1. Motility test by using semisolid media:**

According to the method described by (Macfaddin, 2000). 10 mls of semisolid media were dispensed in the tubes and left to set at the vertical position, I had inoculated with a straight wire, making a single stab down the center of the tube to about half the depth of the medium. The tubes were incubated at 37°C and examine at 6 hours, 24 and 48 hours. 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 .

### **3.3. The modified Kirby-Bauer method**

1-Mueller-Hinton agar

1. **Mueller-Hinton agar should be prepared from a dehydrated base according to the manufacturer's(Mast lab ,uk) recommendations.**

2. the medium was cooled to  $45-50^{\circ}\text{C}$  and pour into the plates. Allow to set on a level surface, to a depth of approximately 4 mm. A 9-cm plate requires approximately 20 ml of medium.

3. after agar had solidified, the plates placed in the upright position in the incubator with the lids tilted at  $30^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 30 minute to dry..

4. Any unused plates may be stored in a plastic bag as the recommendation of (vandepitte,et.al ), which should be sealed and placed in the refrigerator. Plates stored in this way will keep for 2 weeks.

#### **2-Antibiotic discs**

Antibiotics discs of (Iraq,Razi) with the proper diameter and potency which had be used. Stocks of antibiotic discs should preferably be kept at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ ; the freezer.

Antibiotics discs can be kept in the refrigerator for up to 1 month. On removal from the refrigerator, the containers should be left at room temperature for about 1 hour to allow the temperature to equilibrate.

### ***Procedure***

As the way of (Macfaddin, 2000). The modified Kirby-Bauer method was performed by 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 used to obtain an inoculum from the standardized culture. This inoculum was then streaked on a Mueller-Hinton plate.

The antibiotics 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. Antibiotic 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.

### ٣.٤. RADIAL IMMUNODIFFUSION TEST

#### ١- Materials

##### ١-١- Serum samples

٢١ blood samples were collected from children's under five years with pyuria ,٧ cases with E .coli ,٧ cases with proteus and ٧ cases with negative urine culture in pediatric hospital in karballa . these samples were then used to obtain its serum by centrifugation at

3000 rpm.(Fahey,et,al.1965).

### 1- 2- *Materials used.*

1. Three 24 (3x4) well radial immunodiffusion plates(Kent,USA).

2. Blood collection tubes.

3. syringes and needles.

4. Centrifuge (3000rcf)

5. Microliter dispenser (10 microliters)

6. Human Reference Sera: 3 x 0.5ml vials(in kits only).

7. Measuring device-calibrated in 0.1mm increments available separately.

8. Two cycle semi-logarithmic graph paper or linear graph paper

### 2. procedure

according to the methods of (fahey,et,al.1965) the radial immunodiffusion kit used to determine the levels of antibodies

(IgG.IgM) in the serum of children's with pyuria and as follow.

1. The blood were collected without anticoagulant and allow to clot at room temperature.
2. The serum were Separated by centrifugation at about 2000 rcf within 2-3 hours after collection.
3. The plates were removed from refrigerator to room temperature approximately 30 minutes before filling wells. Do not open bag until ready for use.
4. If excess moisture is present, the plate were removed from its bag and remove cover until evaporation has dried the surface and wells. Replace cover until used.
5. For best results, three wells should be filled with reference sera for each plate. Location of each should be noted. Mix each vial of reference serum thoroughly.
6. The specimen were delivered to well by placing the pipette tip at the bottom of the well. Allow the well to fill to the top of the agar surface. Avoid bubbles to ensure proper volume and diffusion of sample. Visualization may be aided by placing the plate on dark background. If practice is required, a used plate may be utilized.
7. More consistent results may be obtained when wells are filled with a 20 microliter pipette.
8. Mark time of completion on plate cover and replace cover.
9. Replace plate in bag and reseal carefully.

10. Incubate plates upright on a flat surface at room temperature (20° to 24° C) for 16-20 hours. Overnight readings and over 48 hours for end point readings

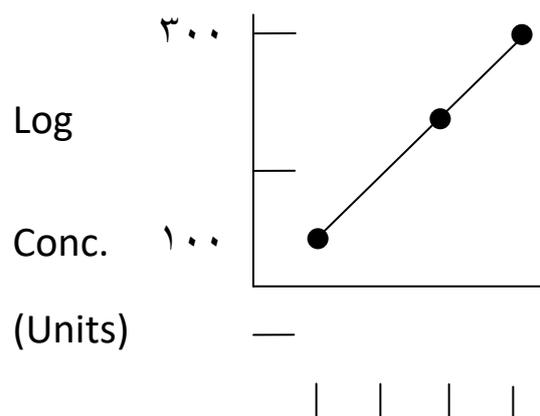
11. The diameters of precipitin zones were measured to within 0.1mm.

12. The reference sera provided in kits were used, or other, such as the College of American Pathologists reference standard, determine their ring diameters to the nearest 0.1 mm.

13. 2 or 3 cycle semi-logarithmic graph paper were used plot the concentration on the Y axis and the zone diameters on the X axis for each protein for Overnight readings as in (figure 3.1)

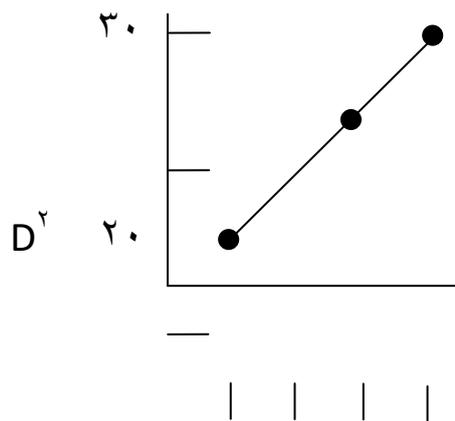
14. regular graph paper were used plot the concentration on the X axis and the zone diameters squared on the Y axis for each protein for End point readings as in ( figure 3.2)

15. A straight line were drawn of "best fit" between the three points.



D(mm)

Figure (۳.۱) Show the relation between diameter of IgG,IgM and logarithm of concentration.



## Concentration

Figure (۳.۲) Show the relation between concentration of IgG, IgM and square of diameter .

### **Results**

Determine the concentration of each unknown or specimen protein by reading its zone diameter on the reference curve and the corresponding concentration. Zone diameter must be squared for End Point calibration.

# Results

## *Chapter four*

## 4.1 Results

The study included 380 children's who had complaints related to UTI (209 girls and 171 boys) from birth to 0 years old age came to pediatric hospital of Karbala and general urine examination were done for them and found the pyuria in 100 children's (63 girls and 37 boys) as show in table (1). We found that 56 of them with positive urine culture (30 girls and 26 boys) as show in table (2).

## 4.2 Analysis of some relate factors Showed the following result

### 4.2.1 Sex distribution

#### Table 2

demonstrated the distribution of cases according to their sexes. It show the prevalence of urinary tract infection among girl higher than boys (62.0% VS 37.0%)

### 4.2.2 Age distribution

#### Table 3

Show distribution of cases according 0 age groups.

(group 1 from birth to 1 year) 20

(group 2 from 1 to 2 year) 18

(group  $\gamma$  from  $\gamma$  to  $\gamma$  year )  $\gamma$

(group  $\xi$  from  $\gamma$  to  $\xi$  year )  $\xi$

(group  $\rho$  from  $\xi$  to  $\rho$  year )  $\gamma$

$\xi.\gamma.\gamma$  Brest feeding effect.

**Table  $\xi$**

Show the number and percentage of cases according to breast feeding effect.

$\xi.\gamma.\xi$  Circumcision affect on UTI in boys under  $\gamma$  years .

**Table  $\rho$**

Show the Distribution of cases of UTI in boys in the first two years of age according to the circumcision affect .

$\xi.\gamma.\rho$  Recurrent urinary tract infection in children's under  $\rho$  years .

**Table  $\gamma$**

Show Distribution of cases of recurrent urinary tract infection in the children's under  $\rho$  years according to the sex..

ξ.ϒ.ϕ Bacterial cases of urinary tract infection in the children's.

**Table ϒ**

Show the numbers and percentage of bacterial cases of urinary tract infection in the children's under ϑ years .

**Table ^**

Show the numbers of bacterial cases of urinary tract infection in children's under ϑ years according to sex and age groups .

ξ.ϒ.ϕ Antibiotic sensitivity Result .

***Table ϑ***

Show the numbers and percentage of resistance of bacterial isolates to several antibiotic's.

ξ.ϒ.ϒ Immune response for urinary tract infection

We took in this study ϒ ϑ children's with pyuria ϒ cases with E .coli,ϒ cases of proteus and ϒ cases with negative urine culture and we

measured for them serum IgG ,IgM antibodies and compared with means of concentrations of these three groups and we founded that the mean of serum IgG,IgM antibodies of *E .coli* was higher than *proteus mirabilis* and for proteus was higher than negative cases as seen in figure (٧) .

So the immune response of *E .coli* bacteria was higher than proteus bacteria and for *proteus* bacteria was higher than negative cases.

#### ***Table ١***

**Sex distribution of Pyuria cases.**

Sex	Children's number	Pyuria present	Percentage of pyuria
Female	۲۰۹	۶۳	۲۴.۳ %
Male	۱۲۶	۳۷	۲۹.۴ %
Total	۳۸۵	۱۰۰	۲۶ %

*Table ۲*

**Sex distribution of UTI cases (pyuria with positive urine culture).**

Sex	number	percentage
Female	۳۵	۶۲.۵ %
Male	۲۱	۳۷.۵ %

Total	06	100 %
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*Table 3*

*Distribution of cases of UTI according to age groups*

<b>Age group</b>	<b>Number of cases</b>	<b>percentage</b>
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Group 1 (birth to 1 years)	20	30.7 %
group 2 (1-2 years )	18	23.1 %
Group 3 (2-3 years)	7	12.0 %
Group 4 (3-4 years)	4	7.1 %
Group 5 (4-5 years)	7	12.0 %
Total	56	100 %

*Table 4*

**Number and percentage of types of feeding for child with UTI**

<b>Types of feeding</b>	<b>Numbers</b>	<b>percentage</b>
Breast feeding	20	30.7 %
Mixed feeding	9	16.1 %
Bottle feeding	27	48.2 %
Total	56	100 %

Recurrent UTI	Boys	percentage	Girls	percentage	Total	percentage
Present	12	57%	27	77%	39	70%
Not present	9	43%	8	23%	17	30%
Total	21	100%	35	100%	56	100%

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*Table 7*

**Distribution of cases of recurrent UTI in the children's according to the sex .**

**Table 9 Distribution of cases of UTI in boys in the first two years of age according to the circumcision affect**

<b>Age groups</b>	<b>Circumcised boys</b>	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>Uncircumcised boys</b>	<b>Percentage</b>	<b>Total</b>
0-1 year	1	12.5%	7	87.5%	8
1-2 year	2	33.3%	4	66.7%	6

Total	٤	٢٨,٦%	١٠	٧١,٤%	١٤
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*Table ٧*

**Number and percentage of bacteria isolates in urine culture in UTI patient.**

Type of bacteria	Numbers	percentage
<i>E. coli</i>	٣٧	٦٦ %

Gram

Gram	<u><i>P. Mirabilis</i></u>	١٠	١٧.٩ %
	<i>K. pneumonia</i>	٣	٥.٤ %
	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	١	١.٨ %
	<i>Enterobacter</i>	١	١.٨ %
	<i>Staph.saprophytic</i>	٤	٧.١ %
<b>Total</b>	٥٦	١٠٠ %	

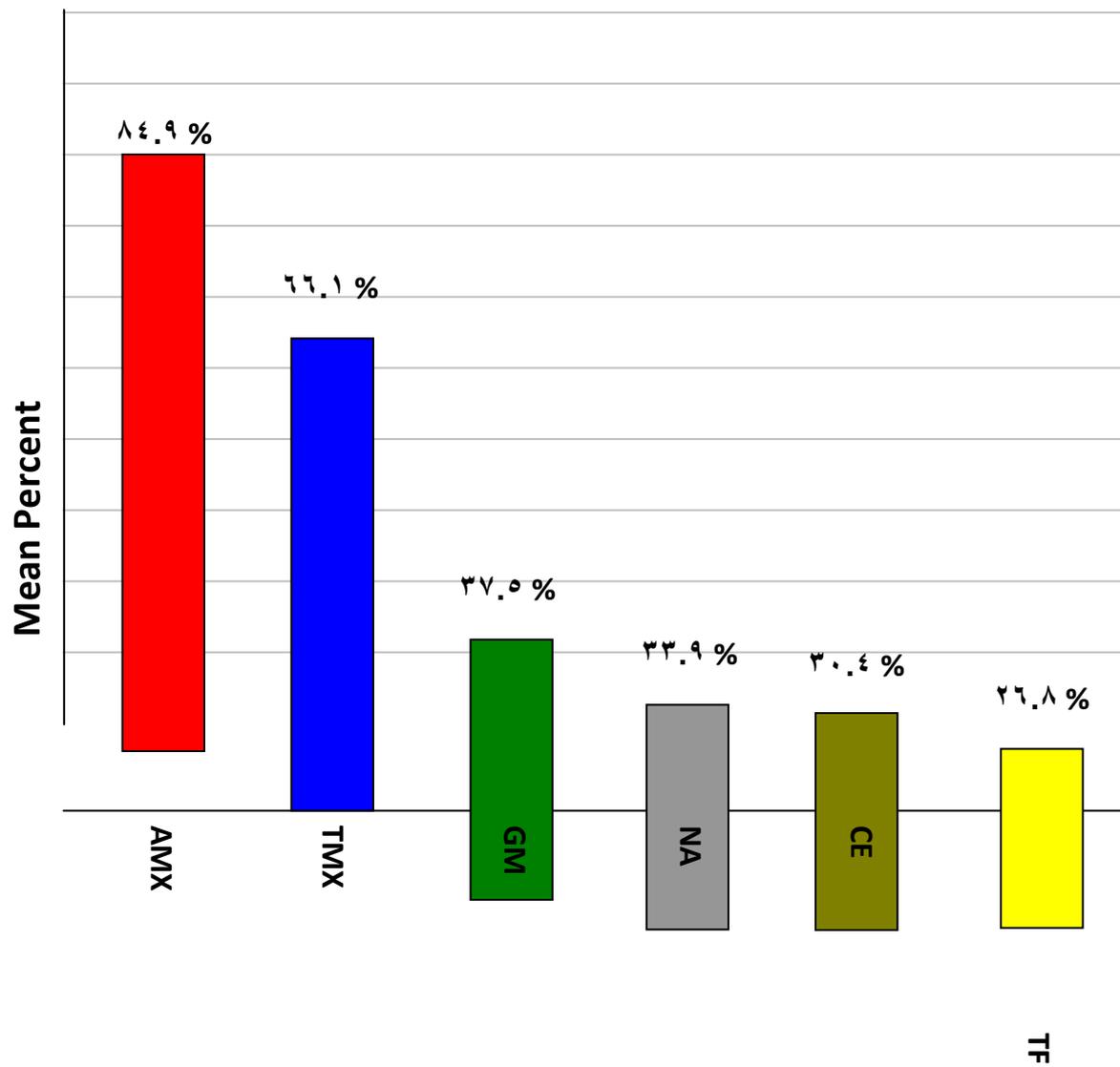
Table ^

Distribution of cases of UTI according to age groups and types of bacteria

The bacteria	٠-١		١-٢		٢-٣		٣-٤		٤-٥	
	♂	♀	♂	♀	♂	♀	♂	♀	♂	♀
<b><i>E. coli</i></b>	٤	١٠	٢	٩	٢	٣		٢	١	٤
٣٧										
<b><i>proteus.</i></b>	٣	١	٢	١	١		١		١	
<b><i>mirabilis</i></b>										
١٠										
<b><i>Staph.</i></b>										
<b><i>saprophytic</i></b>	١		١	١						١
٤										
<b><i>pseudomonas</i></b>										
١		١								
<b><i>Klebsiella</i></b>										
٣			١	١		١				
<b><i>Enterobacter</i></b>								١		

۱										
<b>Total</b>	۸	۱۲	۶	۱۲	۳	۴	۲	۲	۲	۵





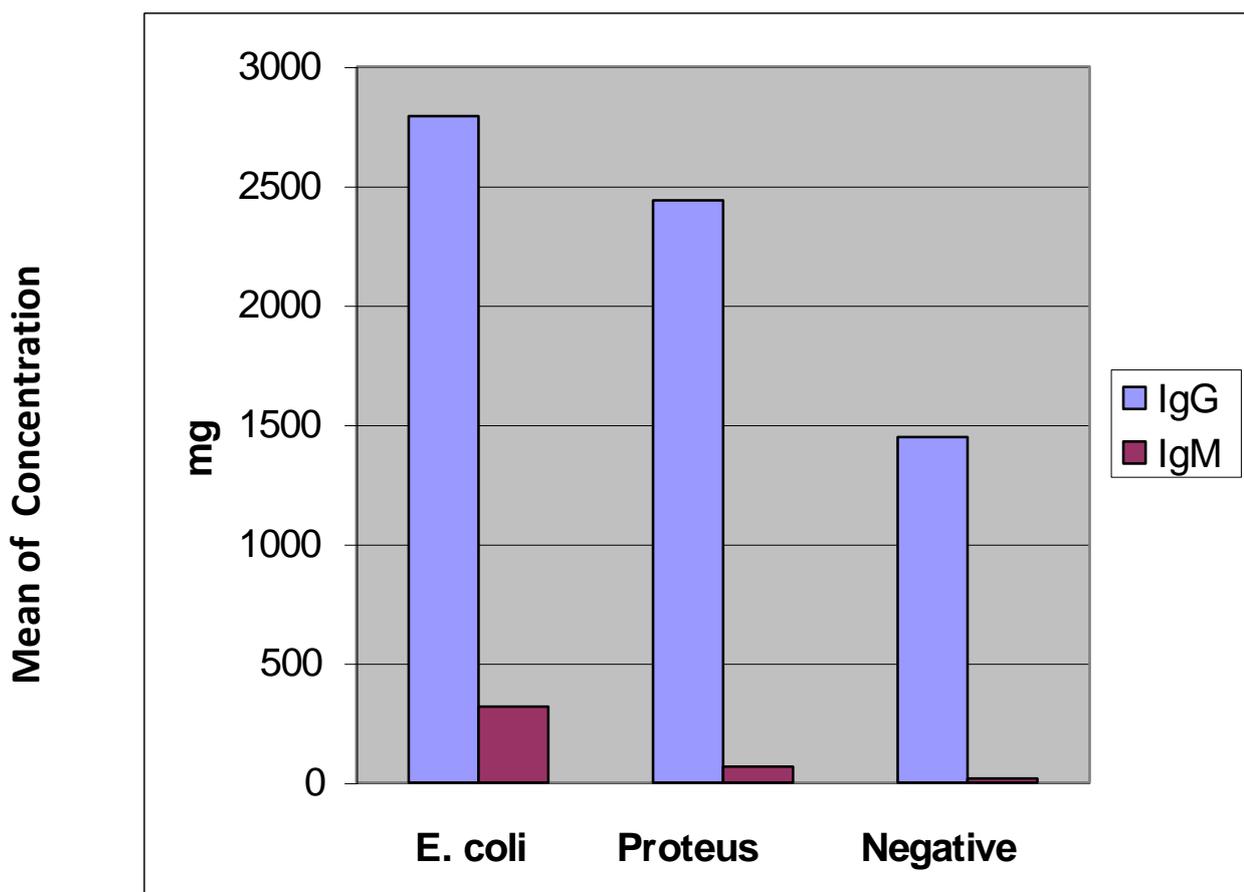
AMX Amoxicillin      TMX Trimethoprim Sulphamethaxazole

GM Gentamicin      NA Nalidixic acid

CE Cefotaxime      TF Nitrofurantoin

*Figure 1*

Show the percentage of resistance of bacterial isolates to antibiotics.



**Figure 2**

*Show the means of concentrations of IgG, IgM antibodies according to type of bacteria*

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To My parents

To my wife and daughter

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## Abbreviations

WHO	World health organization
UTI	Urinary tract infection
CFU	Colont forming unit

## Summary

Epidemiological study in children's had been planned to identify the bacterial causes of urinary tract infection under 5 years, antibiotics sensitivity results and also immunological response to these bacteria. This study extend from 1/12/2004 to 1/12/2006 in pediatric hospital in karbala. The methods of investigation used in this study were the standard criteria for urinalysis to look for any pus cells present in the urine (pyuria is more than 10 pus cells in centrifuged urine in high power field) (WHO 2001), also the color, cloudiness, acidity of urine were registered for each sample. A urine culture were performed to detect the presence and types of bacteria as well as their Antibiotic sensitivity test were performed. The specific immunological response to bacterial types were assessed by immunodiffusion. The standard criteria of this study were the age range from birth to five years, sex, previous UTI in the child, residence, type of feeding, chief complaint of child, congenital abnormalities if present, past medical history of child. The total cases for children's in this study were 380 and the pyuria were founded in 100 of them. they were 37 for boys and 63 for girls. The results for positive urine cultures for boys were 21 (37.0%) from 37 and the results for girls were 30 (62.0%) from 63. The numbers of positive urine cultures for E. coli were 37 (66.1%), 10 (17.9%) for Proteus, 3 (5.4%) Klebsiella, 1 (1.8%)

Pseudomonas, (4.1%) Staphylococcus saprophyticus, (1.8%) for Enterobacter.

E. coli susceptibility to antibiotics was characterized by high resistance to amoxicillin, cotrimaxazole, and may be considered susceptible to nitrofurantoin, nalidixic acid, cefuroxime, gentamycin. The high resistance among Klebsiella pneumoniae also toward amoxicillin and for cefuroxime, and very low resistance toward nitrofurantoin, amikacin, cotrimaxazole. The high resistance of Proteus toward amoxicillin and low resistance for nalidixic acid, cefuroxime, amikacin.

The low resistance antibiotics for Staphylococcus saprophyticus were cefuroxime, nalidixic acid, nitrofurantoin.

The low resistance antibiotics of Pseudomonas were cefuroxime, amikacin and for Enterobacter to cefuroxime and nitrofurantoin. The results of immunological response to E. coli was higher than Proteus which was higher than in normal cases. So in general the immune response for child with UTI was higher than in normal cases.

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f bacteria		AMX	TF	GM	TMX	CE
<i>mirabilis</i>		٣١ (٨٣.٨ %)	٧ (٢٢.٥ %)	١٤ (٣٧.٨)	٢٣ (٤١.١%)	٩ (١٦.١%)
<i>monia</i>		١٠ (١٠.٠%)	٦ (٦.٠ %)	٤ (٤.٠%)	٨ (٨.٠%)	٤ (٤.٠%)
<i>aprophytic</i>		٢ (٦٦.٧%)	١ (٣٣.٣ %)	١ (٣٣.٣%)	٣ (١٠.٠%)	٢ (٦٦.٧%)
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# **Introduction**

## *Chapter One*

## Introduction

The Urinary tract infections (UTI) are bacterial infection of Urinary tract in most of cases (kidney , ureter , bladder , and urethra ) . The UTI is defined by the presence of pure bacterial growth  $> 10^5,000$  colony forming unit(CFU) /ml ( Baron *et.al.*, 1996 ). These infection can become serious if undetected early, and can some times lead to permanent kidney damage, however , they are generally treated effectively with antibiotics (Ginsburg *et.al.*, 1982). The pyuria mean presence of more than 5 pus cells in high power field of microscope in centrifuged urine (Vandepitte *et.al.*, 1991), so white blood cells (leukocytes ) should be counted. The pyuria is sufficient for diagnosis of UTI in non hospitalized patient if standard symptoms or just fever in small children is also present ( Harvey , 2002 ) .

Recurrent urinary tract infection is either relapse with the original infecting organism or reinfection with a different organism (Panaretto, 1999) .In general, A reinfection is a UTI that occurs more than 2 weeks after antibiotic treatment of the original UTI is completed; it may be caused by the same bacteria as the original infection or a different one. Reinfection account for 40% of recurrent infections. A relapse is a UTI caused by the same bacteria as the original UTI that occurs within 2 weeks after the individual has completed antibiotic treatment (Coyle, 2002).

### **Aim of the study :**

To evaluate UTI of children under 5 years in pediatric hospital of Karballa.

Objectives :

١. To determine the bacterial etiology of UTI .
٢. To evaluate the roles of some related factors as sex , age, breast feeding and circumcision to UTI .
٣. To detect the types of antibiotics which are effective to be used in UTI cases .
٤. To evaluate the immunological response of children with UTI for specific causative types of bacteria.

# Literature review

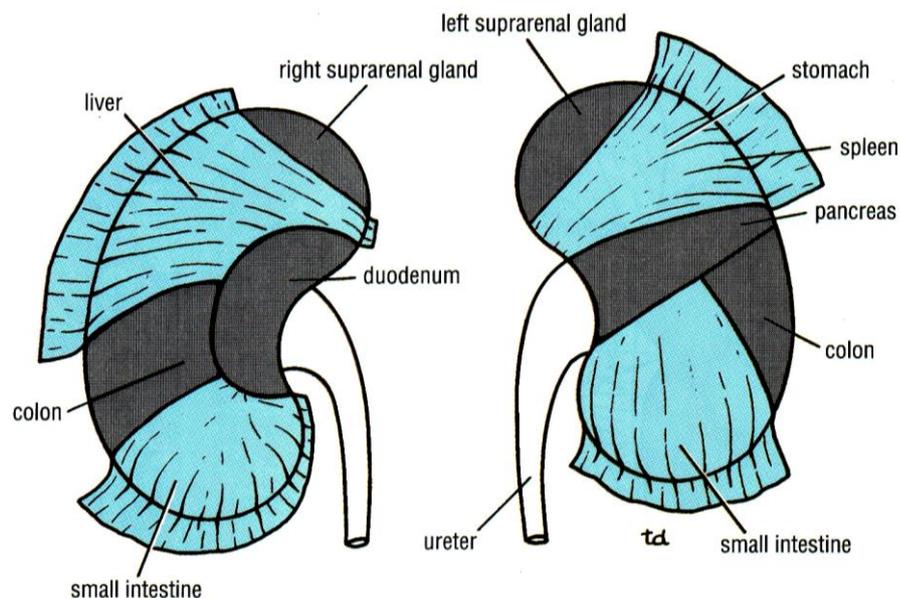
## *Chapter Two*

## 2.1 Anatomy of the urinary tract

### 2.1.1 Kidneys

#### A. Anatomy:

The kidneys lie along the borders of the psoas muscles and are therefore oblique placed. The adult kidney weighs about 100 gram. The kidneys are supported by the perineal fat (which is enclosed in the perineal fascia), the renal vascular pedicle, abdominal muscle tone, and the general bulk of the abdominal viscera as seen in ( Fig 2- 1 ) (Richard , 1990) .



**Figure 2.1** Anterior relations of both kidneys. Visceral peritoneum covering kidneys has been left in position. Shaded areas indicate where kidney is in direct contact with adjacent viscera(Richard, 1990).

## **B. Histology:**

The kidney is composed of three parts as seen in ( Fig 1-2 ). On longitudinal section the kidney is seen to be made up of an outer cortex, central medulla, and the internal calices and pelvis. The cortex is homogenous in appearance, portions of it project toward the pelvis between papillae and fornices and are called the columns of Bertin. The medulla consists of numerous pyramids formed by the converging collecting tubules which drain into minor calices (Emil, 1981).

### **1. Nephron:**

**It is the functioning unit of the kidney which is composed of a tubule which has both secretory and excretory function (Emil, 1981).**

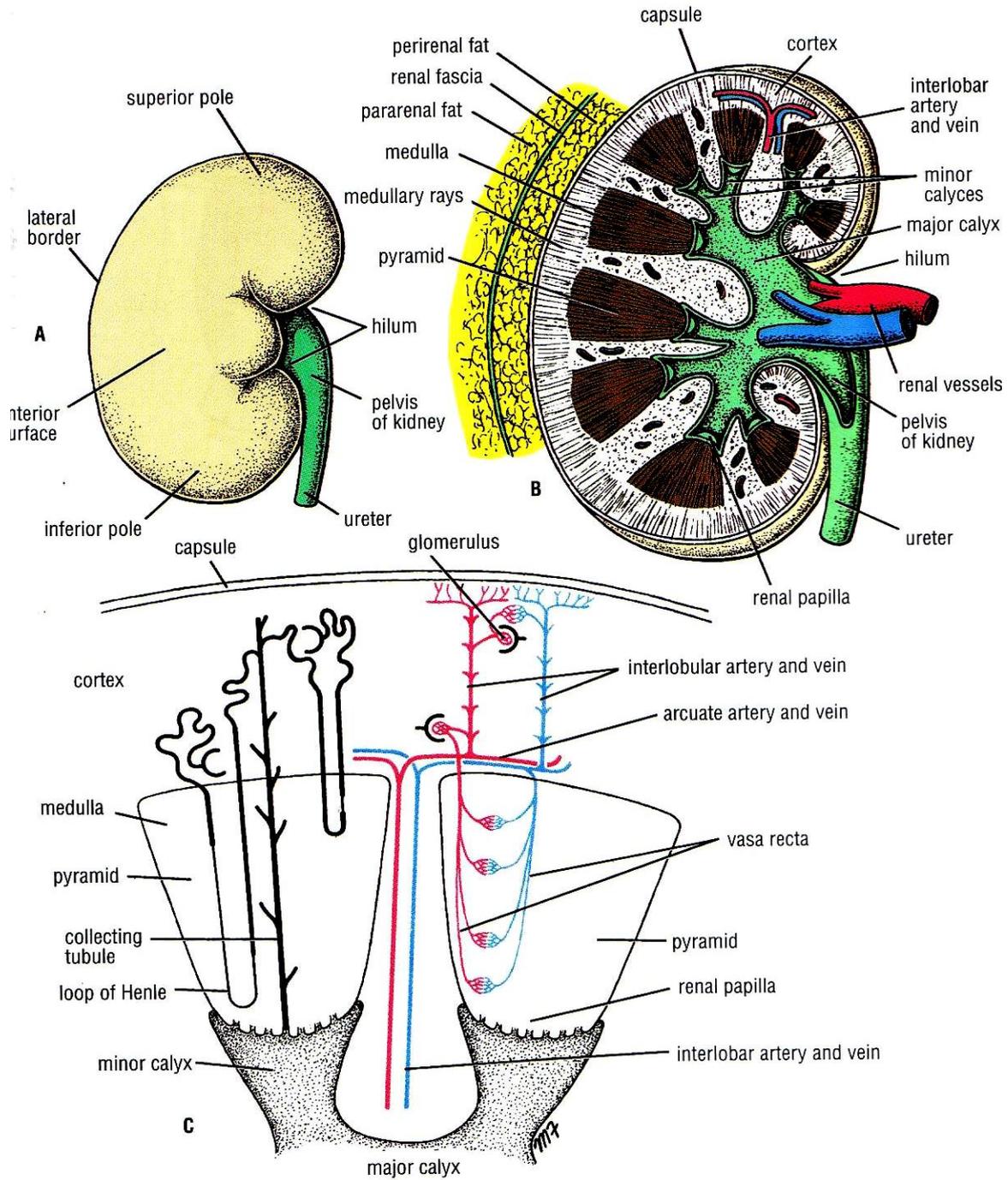
### **2. Secretory portion:**

The secretory portion is contained largely within the cortex and consists of a renal corpuscle and the secretory part of the renal tubule. The excretory portion of this duct lies in the medulla. The renal corpuscle is composed of the vascular glomerulus which projects into Bowman's capsule which in turn is continuous with the epithelium of the proximal convoluted tubule. The secretory renal tubule is made up of the proximal convoluted tubule, the loop of Henle and distal convoluted tubule (Emil, 1981).

### **3. Excretory portion:**

**Excretory portion is the collecting tubule which is continuous with the distal end of**

**the ascending limb of a convoluted tubule. It empties its content through the tip (papilla) of pyramid into a minor calix (Emil, 1911).**



**Figure ۲.۲** (A) right kidney ,anterior surface.(B) Right kidney , coronal section , showing cortex, medulla, pyramids, renal papillae, and calyces. (C) Section of kidney showing positions of nephrons and arrangement of blood vessels within kidney.these figures taken from (Richard, ۱۹۹۵).

## 2.1.2 Calices, Renal Pelvis and Ureters

### 1- Calices:

The tip of the minor calices 8-12 in number are indented by the projecting pyramids. These calices unite to form 2 or 3 major calices which join the renal pelvis (Emil, 1981).

### 2-Renal pelvis:

The pelvis may be entirely intra renal or partly intra renal and partly extra renal (Emil 1981). The pelvis emerges through the lower part of hilus and tapering downward on psoas major, join the ureter near the inferior extremity of the kidney (Romanes, 1986).

### 3- Ureters:

**These are narrow muscular tubes 20 cm long which convey urine from the kidneys to the bladder. Ureters having 3 constrictions:**

- (1) Where renal pelvis join the ureter.
- (2) Where it is kinked as it cross the pelvic brim.
- (3) Where it pierce the bladder wall.

The ureters emerges from the hilus of kidneys and runs vertically downward behind the parietal peritoneum on the psoas muscles

which separates it from the tips of the transverse processes of the lumbar vertebrae. (Richard, 1990).

### 2.1.3 Bladder

This is a muscular urine store. In women its posterior wall and dome are invaginated by the uterus. The adult bladder has capacity of 300-400 ml. The empty bladder is pyramidal in shape having an apex, a base and a superior and two inferolateral surface. The apex of the bladder lies behind the upper margin of the symphysis pubis. The base or posterior surface of the bladder triangular in shape, the superolateral angles are joined by the ureters and the inferior angle gives rise to the urethra (Richard, 1990).

#### **B. Histology:**

The bladder has mucous, submucous, muscular, subserous and serous (peritoneal) coats. The muscular coat is composed of smooth muscle fibers (detrusor muscle) which are thickest around the internal urethral orifice forming the vesicle sphincter (Lumely

*et.al.*, 1981).

## 2.2. Classification of urinary tract infection :

There are three basic forms of UTI: pyelonephritis, cystitis, and asymptomatic bacteriuria(Rushton, 1997).

1-**Clinical pyelonephritis**: is characterized by any or all of the followings: abdominal or flank pain, fever, malaise, nausea, vomiting, jaundice in neonates, and occasionally diarrhea .Some newborns and infants may show nonspecific symptoms such as poor feeding, irritability, and weight loss(Rushton, 1997).

2-**Cystitis**: indicates that there is a bladder involvement and includes dysuria, urgency, frequency, suprapubic pain, incontinence ,and malodorous urine(Rushton, 1997).

3-**Asymptomatic bacteriuria**: refer to a positive urine culture in children's without any manifestations and occurs almost exclusively in girls (Rushton, 1997).

## 2.3. Normal flora of the Urogenital Tract.

Urine is normally sterile, and since the urinary tract is flushed with urine every few hours, microorganisms have problems gaining access

and becoming established. The flora of the anterior urethra, as indicated principally by urine cultures, suggests that the area may be inhabited by a relatively consistent normal flora consisting of *Staphylococcus epidermidis*, *Enterococcus faecalis* and some alpha-hemolytic streptococci. Their numbers are not plentiful, however. In addition, some enteric bacteria (e.g. *E. coli*, *Proteus*) and corynebacteria which are probably contaminants from the skin, vulva or rectum, may occasionally be found at the anterior urethra (Todar, 2002).

The vagina becomes colonized soon after birth with corynebacteria, staphylococci, non pyogenic streptococci, *E. coli*, and a lactic acid bacterium historically named "Doderlein's bacillus" (*Lactobacillus acidophilus*). (Todar, 2002).

#### **2.4. Pathophysiology**

Almost all UTIs are ascending in origin and are caused by bacteria in the gastrointestinal tract that have colonized the periurethral area. After birth, the periurethral area, including the distal urethra, becomes colonized with aerobic and anaerobic microorganisms (Bollgren and Winberg, 1989). These organisms appear to function as a defense barrier against colonization by potential pathogens.

Disturbance of the normal periurethral flora, such as may occur when an upper respiratory tract infection is treated with a broad-spectrum antibiotic, predisposes to colonization of the periurethral area by potential uropathogens (Lidefelt, 1991).

Data from studies of women with recurrent UTIs support the concept that periurethral colonization with a uropathogen plays an important role in the pathogenesis of recurrent infections (Stamm, 1984). These findings have not been confirmed in children (Schlager *et.al.*, 1993).

However, children recently treated with antibiotics do have an increased risk of a febrile UTI compared with children with a non-UTI febrile illness who did not have recent antibiotic exposure (Mårild *et.al.*, 1989).

The pathophysiology of UTI reflects a complex interaction between virulence factors of the microorganism and the host defense (Barnett and Stephens, 1997). The perineal flora are normal inhabitants of the distal urethra. Urine in the proximal urethra, the urinary bladder, and more proximal sites within the urinary tract are normally sterile. Uropathogens must gain access to the urinary bladder and proliferate if infection is to occur. Bacteria in the distal urethra may gain access to the bladder because of turbulent urine flow during normal voiding, as a consequence of voiding dysfunction, or as a result of the use of instrumentation. In any case, normal voiding

results in essentially complete washout of contaminating bacteria. Therefore, urinary bladder colonization does not usually occur unless bladder defense mechanisms are impaired or a virulent strain of bacteria has gained access to the bladder. In the absence of normal bladder emptying, there is proliferation of bacteria in bladder urine and the risk of a UTI. Even with normal bladder emptying, adherence to uroepithelial cells by virulent organisms such as P-fimbriated *Escherichia coli* may result in a UTI. P fimbriae (or pili) are organelles on *E coli* that mediate attachment to specific receptors on uroepithelial cells and impair washout of the bacteria (Roberts *et.al.*, 1980). The majority of UTIs in neurologically and anatomically intact children are caused by *E coli*. Children with intestinal carriage of P-fimbriated *E coli* are at increased risk for UTI because of colonization of the periurethral area by these pathogens (Plos *et.al.*, 1990).

## 2.9. Epidemiology

- The urinary tract infection is not uncommon in childhood. About 8% or more of girls and about 2% of boys will have a urinary tract infection at some time during

childhood. The majority of urinary tract infections occur in the first year of life (Larcombe , 1999) .

- Most UTI are due to normal bowel flora. *E. coli* is the causative organism in 80% of cases. Other common causative organisms are *Klebsiella* , *Pseudomonas* and other gram-negative organisms(Larcombe , 1999) .

- Urinary tract infections are much more common in girls than boys (at least 10:1)-this is true for all age groups except the newborn where the higher incidence of congenital abnormalities of urinary tract in the male, makes the reverse true(Larcombe , 1999) .

## 2.6. Diagnosis

### A -Urine sample collection

The specimen for urinalysis and culture should be obtained by catheter or suprapubic aspiration in the infant or child unable to void on request .Suprapubic aspiration is the method of choice in the uncircumcised male .A midstream clean catch specimen may be obtained from the child with urinary control. A bagged specimen of urine that show no fever or growth of more than 10000 colony-forming units(CFU) per ml is evidence of the absence of a UTI .If the

child who had not yet achieved urinary control has symptoms that mandate immediate treatment, and analysis of the urine specimen obtained by bag shows pyuria, a urine sample should be obtained by suprapubic aspiration or catheter before starting antibiotic therapy because of high incidence of false positive urine culture (Ginsburg *et al.*, 1982). So the ways of collection of urine as recommended by (Bulloch *et al.*, 2000) were as follow:

1- Urine bag collection (not recommended because of high incidence of contamination).

2- Clean catch urine of first morning void.

3- Urine catheter specimen is recommended if the child is under 2 years of age.

4- Suprapubic aspirate is considered for child under 6 months old.

## **B- Microscopic Urinalysis**

A urinalysis involve physical and chemical examination of urine. In addition, the urine is spun in a centrifuge 10-15 ml at 1000 to 3000 rpm for 5 minutes to allow sediments containing blood cells, bacteria, and other particles. This sediment is then examined under a microscope. A urinalysis then, offers a number of valuable clues for an accurate diagnosis:

1- Simply observing the urine for color and cloudiness can be important.

2- Acidity is measured .

3- White blood cells (leukocytes) are counted. A high count in the urine is referred as pyuria . Pyuria is usually sufficient for a diagnosis of UTI in non hospitalized patient if standard symptoms (or just fever in small children) are also present (Harvey, 2002).

### ***C-Urine culture***

A calibrated loop designed to deliver a known volume either 0.001 or 0.0001 ml of urine on to agar plates, incubating at 37 C for 24 hours and then counting the number of bacterial colonies (Hoeprich , 1960).

A urine culture is a urine specimen observed for 24 to 48 hours in a laboratory for the presence of any bacterial growth . Harvey, 2002 had mentioned that urine culture is not routinely performed but may be conducted under certain circumstances;-

-If urinalysis is negative but the patient has severe UTI symptoms, particularly in hospitalized patients who have a catheter and who develop fever or other signs of infection.

-If the infection is recurrent.

-if the physician suspects complications.

-if girls younger than two years have a high fever of unknown origin

that lasts ten days or more .

**-Blood sample** to assess the renal function including blood urea and serum creatinine and specific humeral or cellular response(Baum *et.al.*, 1980).

**-Renal ultrasonography images** may show size, scarring of kidney, and the calculi if present (farmor *et.al.*, 2002).

**Intravenous Urography ( IVU )** It helps to establish the diagnosis of pyelonephritis because it 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 (Iiyas *et.al.*, 2002).

**Radio isotopic 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.*, 1981).

-**Cystoscopy:** It shows the evidence of reflux at the ureteral orifices or site of kidney stone (Ilyas *et.al.*, 2002).

## 2.7. RADIAL IMMUNODIFFUSION TEST.

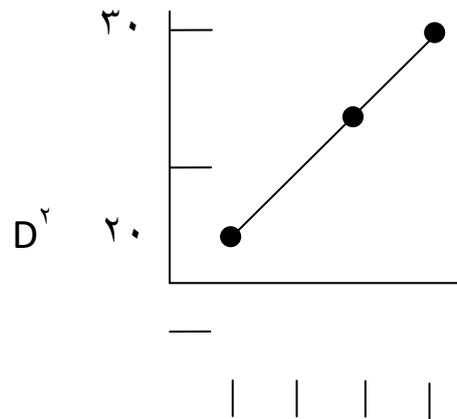
**Single radial immunodiffusion test has evolved from the work of (Fahey *et.al.*, 1990).**

**This test is used for quantitation of serum proteins as an aid in diagnosing immune deficiency disorders.**

**They are specific for the various proteins in serum or other fluids and depend on the reaction of each protein with its specific antibody.**

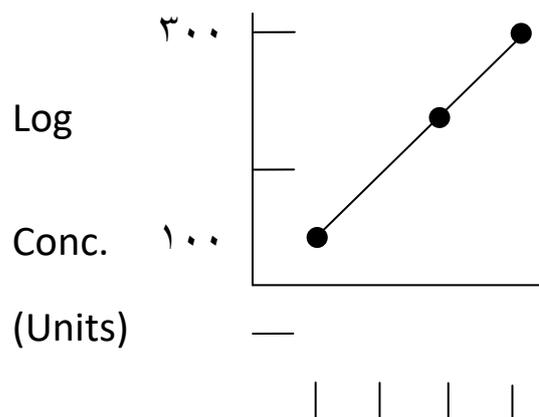
When the wells in antibody containing gels are completely filled with the antigen, the precipitin rings which develop after 10-20 hours at room temperature are measured. The diameter of the ring and the logarithm (base 10) of the protein concentration are related

in a linear fashion. Using appropriate reference standards, the concentration of unknown samples may be measured.



Concentration (mg/dl)

**Figure (2.3) Show the relation between concentration of IgG,IgM and square of diameter(Fahey *et.al.*, 1990).**



D(mm)

Figure (۲.۴) Show the relation between diameter of IgG, IgM and logarithm of concentration (Fahey *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۵).

## Principle

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Radial immunodiffusion is based on the diffusion of antigen from a circular well radially into a homogeneous gel containing specific antiserum for each particular antigen. A circle of precipitated antigen and antibody complex forms, and continues to grow until equilibrium is reached. The diameters of the rings are a function of antigen concentration. After overnight incubation, the zone diameters of reference sera are plotted against the logarithm (base ۱۰) of the antigen concentration. If equilibrium is reached, the reference sera zone diameters are squared and plotted against their concentration (linear). At intervals in between, a linear relationship

does not occur. Unknown concentrations are measured by reference to the standard curve.

## **2.1. Antibiotics for Patients with urinary tract infection:**

### **1-Amoxicillin :**

It is semi synthetic antibiotic from the 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 the past, it has been used frequently for the 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) reported 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.*, 2002; Savov *et.al.*, 2002; Suarez *et.al.*, 2002).

### **2- Cephalosporins**

All first three generations of cephalosporins have oral preparations that have been used for the treatment of recurrent UTI

(Wilhelm and Edson , 1987).

**a- First generation cephalosporin's:** 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, cephalexin 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.*, 1990).

**b- Second generation cephalosporin's:** 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.*, (2003) reported that only 26% of patients with hospital-acquired UTI responded to second-generation cephalosporin's.

**c- Third generation cephalosporin's:** They have bactericidal action that inhibits cell wall synthesis. They are highly stable in the presence of B-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, 2002).

The third generation cephalosporin's have been found affective in bacterial UTI that more than 80% and 71% of bacteria isolated from patients with UTI were sensitive to cefotaxime and ceftriaxone respectively (Gordon and Jones, 2003). In addition, 78% of *Acinetobacter* isolated from patients with UTI were also sensitive to cefotaxime (Irgbu *et.al.*, 2003) but Zhou *et.al.*, (2003) found that *Enterobacter* were highly resistance to cefotaxime.

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

A combination of trimethoprim and sulfamethoxazole inhibits bacterial growth by inhibiting synthesis of dihydrofolic acid. It represents 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 has slightly increased that 40% of bacterial UTI were resistant to it including 11% of *E.coli* and 42%.

of *S.epidermidis* isolated from patients with UTI ( Jureen *et.al.*, ۲۰۰۳).

#### ۴- Nitrofurantoin:

It is synthetic nitrofurantoin that interferes with bacterial carbohydrate metabolism by inhibiting acetyl coenzyme 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.*, ۱۹۸۷). The risk of adverse reaction increases with age and long-term therapy; therefore, should be monitored (Holmberg *et. al.*, ۱۹۸۰).

Nitrofurantoin has lower resistant rate than other old antibiotics that only ۴% of bacteria isolated from patients with recurrent UTI were resistant to it (Leblebicioglu and Esen, ۲۰۰۳).

#### ۵- Aminoglycosides

It has a bacteriostatic action such as streptomycin, gentamicin,

amikacin, netilmicin and tobramycin.

Gentamicin is effective but it is associated with a risk of nephrotoxicity and ototoxicity, but it can be used if blood levels of creatinine and urea checked .

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). Gentamicin 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 (70%) (Jureen *et.al.*, 2003).

#### 6- Fluoroquinolones:

They are bactericidal drugs that act as inhibitors of bacterial DNA gyrase enzyme (which is responsible for supercoiling of bacterial DNA). They are effective against gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria. Recently, the oral administration of fluoroquinolones like nalidixic acid, ciprofloxacin, levofloxacin, ofloxacin, norfloxacin and others are 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 parentally, and then they can easily switch to oral administration and have limited use in patients with renal insufficiency (Dalkin and Schaeffer, 1988).

## 2.9. Bacteriological Agents

### 2.9.1. 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 possess a complex antigenic structure and produce a variety of enzymes and toxins with other virulence factors (Mims, 2004).**

**Table (2.1)** Biochemical tests of Enterobacteriaceae modified from (Brooks *et.al.*, 2001).

Test	<i>E.coli</i>	<i>K.pneumonia</i>	<i>Proteus</i>	<i>Enterobacter</i>	<i>Serratia</i>
EMB	Metallic sheen	Centrally dark	pale	Centrally dark	Centrally dark

<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>	<b>A/Alk± G</b>	<b>A±G</b>	<b>Alk±G</b>	<b>A±G</b>	<b>Alk±G</b>
<b>H<sub>2</sub>S</b>	—	—	+	—	—

### A acid

Alk alkaline

G gas

#### 2.9.1.1 . *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.*, 1990). The capsule of *E .coli* represents the antigenic structure (K antigen) and it is highly associated with the pathogenicity 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 the complicated UTI and this is not well clear on blood agar (Eisenstein and Azaleznik, 2000). Some strains are urease-producing *E .coli* and they are commonly presented in complicated UTI (Collins and Falkow, 1990). The antibiotic resistance of *E .coli* isolated from UTI has been highly increased due to the abuse of antibiotics by the patients in addition to the toxins and enzymes like endotoxin and B-lactamase that play an important role in the virulence of bacteria.

The recent studies indicate that 47% of patients with UTI have *E .coli* in their cultures (Gordon and Jones, 2003). The incidence of urinary tract infection with *E .coli* has decreased due to the increase of the nosocomial infection of urinary tract (Schrier and Gottschalk, 1996).

#### 2.9.1.2. *proteus spp.*

*Proteus species* produce infections in humans only when the bacteria leave the intestinal tract . They are found in urinary tract infections and produce bacteremia ,pneumonia ,and focal lesions in debilitated patients or those receiving intravenous infusions .*Proteus mirabilis* cause urinary tract infection and occasionally other infection. *Proteus vulgaris* and *Morganella morganii* are important nosocomial infection agents .

*Proteus species* produce urease resulting in rapid hydrolysis of urea with libration of ammonia .Thus , in urinary tract infections with proteus ,the urine becomes alkaline promoting stone formation and making acidification virtually impossible .The rapid motility of *proteus* may contribute to its invasion of urinary tract . Strains of *proteus* vary greatly in antibiotic sensitivity .*Proteus mirabilis* is often inhibited by penicillins ,the most active antibiotic for other members of the groups are aminoglycosides and cephalosporin's (Abbott,۲۰۰۳) .

#### ۲.۹.۱.۳. *Klebsiella pneumonia* :

*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, ۲۰۰۳) but the virulence of *Klebsiella* is not well understood, however its antiphagocytic capsule plays a role in the infections by resisting intracellular phagocytic killing. It is thought that" aerobactin , an iron-binding protein, and the production of B-lactamase enzyme contribute to pathogenicity and antibiotic resistance of the bacteria. Some strains of *Klebsiella* produce hemagglutinins (may be a mannose-sensitive phenotype) and they may be associated with the pathogenicity . Endotoxin has an important role in virulence and antibiotic resistance of bacteria (Gilchrist, ۱۹۹۵).

#### ۲.۹.۱.۴. *Serratia spp* :

They are lactose-fermenter gram-negative short rods *Enterobacteriaceae* with one or two flagella. They representes 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, hemolysin 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.*, ۱۹۹۰). Swarming motility is characteristic to the bacteria on solid or viscous media due to presence of flagella. The production of B-lactamase enzyme has given the bacteria high

resistance to several antibiotics like that in *Pseudomonas* bacteria (Kouda *et.al.*, 1990).

### 2.9.2. 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 include 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.*, 2004).

**Table (2.2):** Biochemical tests of Staphylococcal spp modified from (Brooks *et.al.*, 2001).

Test	<i>S. aureus</i>	<i>S.epidermidis</i>	<i>S. saprophyticus</i>
Catalase	+	+	+

<b>Oxidase</b>	—	—	—
<u>Coagulase</u>	+	—	—
<b>Mannitol fermenter.</b>	+	—	—
<b>Resist to Novobiocin</b>	+	—	+
<b>Urease</b>	—	±	±
<u>Hemolysin</u>	+	—	±

Novobiocin is only used to distinguish between *S.epidermidis* and *S.saprophyticus* (Mims *et.al.*, ۲۰۰۴).

#### ۲.۹.۲.۱. *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 be dismissed 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 form 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* represent more than 20% as a nosocomial infection (Guirguitzova . *et.al.*, 2002).

#### 2.9.2.2. *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 to the institutions and the geographical areas (Todar, 2001). It is resistant to several antibiotics such as 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.*, ۱۹۹۶).

#### ۲.۹.۲.۳. **S. aureus** :

It is coagulase positive *Staphylococci*, present significantly in greater percentage of people in the hospital setting that the carrier state serves as reservoir for infection of hospitalized patients (Todar, ۲۰۰۱). *Staphylococcus aureus* has a polysaccharide capsule to protect it from phagocytosis and the cell wall is 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 the production of B-lactamase enzyme that is chromosomally resistance (Takahaski *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۹).

#### ۲.۹.۳. **Pseudomonas aeruginosa** :

It is non-fermenter ,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-compromised patients (Bodey, 1983).

The pathogenicity of the organism is contributed to its virulence factors . The capsule or slime layer is associated to adherence and effectively protect 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).

## 2.10. Management

If treatment has been started before the results of a culture and sensitivity are available , then a 3- to 6-day course of therapy with trimethoprim –sulfamethoxazole is effective against most strains of *E.coli* . Nitrofurantoin (5-7 mg/kg/24 hr in three to four divided doses) is also effective and has the advantage of being active against

*Klebsiella- Enterobacter* organisms. Amoxicillin (20 mg/kg/24 hr) is also effective as initial treatment but has no clear advantages over the sulfonamides or nitrofurantoin (Rushton, 1997).

In acute febrile infections suggestive of pyelonephritis, a 14-day course of broad-spectrum antibiotic capable of reaching significant tissue levels is preferable. If the child is acutely ill, parenteral treatment with ceftriaxone (20-40 mg/kg/24 hr. not to exceed 2 g) or ampicillin (100 mg/kg / 24 hr ) with an aminoglycosides such as gentamicin (3 to 6 mg/kg/24 hr in three divided doses) is preferable. The potential ototoxicity and nephrotoxicity of aminoglycosides should be considered and serum creatinine levels must be obtained prior to initiating treatment as well as daily thereafter as long as treatment continues treatment with aminoglycosides is particularly against pseudomonas(Rushton, 1997).



# **Materials & Methods**

## ***Chapter Three***

## **٣.١. Patients And Materials**

### **٣.١.١ Patients**

This study began from ١/١٢/٢٠٠٤ to ١/١٢/٢٠٠٥. one hundred patients with pyuria were selected attending the Pediatric Hospital of Karballa from ٣٨٥ children who had complaints related to UTI. Their age range between birth to ٥ years (٦٣ females and ٣٧ males). The investigations included : general urine examination, urine culture and antibiotic sensitivity test and also the immunodiffusion test to some patients serum with the corresponding types of bacteria isolates.

### **٣.١.٢ Materials**

Many types of instruments and chemical materials in addition to biological materials were used in this study to complete the research. The materials were taken from different sources and companies which listed in tables ( ٣-١) ,( ٣-٢) and (٣-٣) .

**Table ( १- 1) :List of Biological and chemical materials**

<b>No</b>	<b>Materials</b>	<b>Origin</b>
१	Pepton powder	Rashmi Dignostics, India
२	Blood agar ,Muller-Hinton agar	Mast lab, uk
३	MacConcky agar	Biomark lab, India
ॣ	Nutrient agar ,Nutrient broth	Bio life, India
॥	Antibiotic disc	Razi, Iraq
०	Urea agar base	Oxid Ltd, England
ॡ	Simon citrate agar, kliglar Iron agar, MR-VP broth	Difco , Michigan
ॢ	Immunodiffusion kit	Kent , USA
ॣ	Methyl red,a- Naphthol ,Tetramethyl-p-paraphenylene diamine dihydrochloride.	B.D.H.

**Table ( ٣- ٢ ) : list of instruments used**

<b>No</b>	<b>Instrument</b>	<b>Origin</b>
١	Sensitive electronic balance	A and O , Japan
٢	Incubator	Termaks, Stockholm
٣	Distillatur	C.fL, Germany
٤	Benson Burner	Germany
٥	Light microscope	Olympus, Japan
٦	Centrifuge	NF ٨١٥-Ankra, Turkey
٧	Micropipette	Oxford, USA
٨	Refrigerator	General , Japan
٩	Inoculating loop	Japan
١٠	Inoculating needle	Japan
١١	Oven	Memert, Germany

**Table( ٣- ٣) The potency of antibiotics according to antibiotic source (Iraq, Razi )**

<b>Cefotaxime</b>	١٠ mcg
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<b>Gentamicin</b>	10 mcg
<b>Amoxicillin</b>	10 mcg
<b>Cotrimaxazole</b>	20 mcg
<b>Nitrofurantoin</b>	300 mcg
<b>Nalidixic acid</b>	300 mcg

## 3.2. Method of Diagnosis

### 3.2.1 Urinalysis

A urinalysis involves a physical and chemical examination of urine (color, reaction and albumin). **According to Massey-(2004), the urine was spun in a centrifuge at 3000 rpm for 5 minutes to allow sediments containing:**

- Pus cells (WBC).
- RBC
- Crystals.
- Casts .

## **۳.۲.۲ Preparation Of Media**

These media were prepared after manufactures recommendations

### **۳.۲.۲.۱-Blood agar base .**

a -suspend by swirling ۳۷.۵ g of powder of blood agar base in ۱۰۰۰ ml of distilled water

b- autoclave at ۱۲۱ c for ۱۵ minute

c-mixed well before pouring. For blood agar ,۷% blood at ۵۰ c was added .

d-PH was readjusted after autoclaving to be ۷.۴ .

### **۳.۲.۲.۲- Nutrient agar.**

A quantity of ۲۳ g of powder of nutrient agar was suspended in ۱۰۰۰ ml of cold distilled water .heated to boiling ,distributed and sterilize at ۱۲۱ c for ۱۵ minute. The PH readjusted after autoclaving to be ۷.۴

### **۳.۲.۲.۳- MacConkey agar.**

As recommended by manufacture , ۵۱.۵ g of powder of macConkey agar was suspended in ۱۰۰۰ ml distilled water .then boiled to dissolve the medium completely , sterilize by autoclaving at ۱۲۱ c for ۱۵ minutes. The pH was readjusted to

γ.ε .

### 3.2.2.4- Eosin Methylene Blue (EMB) Agar.

This medium is used to identify lactose fermenting bacteria. 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 is due to the absorption of the eosin-methylene blue complex, 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., 1996).

### 3.2.3. Biochemical Tests

#### 3.2.3.1. Catalase Test :

It was prepared by dissolving 3 gm of  $H_2O_2$  into 100 ml of distilled water and was stored in a dark container (Baron et.al., 1996) .

A colony the organism was transferred to a drop of 3%  $H_2O_2$  on a microscope slide. The presence of catalase meant that the formation of gas bubbles has occurred which indicated a positive result (Collee et.al., 1996).

#### **۳.۲.۳.۲. Oxidase Test:**

It was prepared by dissolving ۰.۱ gm of Tetra-P- paraphenylene diamine dihydrochloride in ۱۰ ml of distilled water and stored in a dark container (Baron *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۶). A piece of filter paper was saturated in a petri dish with oxidase reagent then a colony of tested 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.*, ۱۹۹۶).

#### **۳.۲.۳.۳. Coagulase Test:**

Several colonies of bacteria were transferred with a loop to a tube containing ۰.۵ ml of human plasma. The tube was covered to prevent evaporation and incubated at ۳۷°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.*, ۱۹۹۶).

#### **۳.۲.۳.۴. Methyl red reagent :**

Methyl red in a ۰.۱ gm quantity was dissolved in ۳۰۰ ml of ۹۹% ethanol and then the volume was completed to ۵۰۰ ml by distill

water (Macfaddin, 2000).

### **Methyl Red Test:**

The test was performed on 5 ml of MR-VP broth cultured by the examined organism and then it was incubated for 24 hours at 37°C. After that 6-8 drops of Methyl Red reagent were added to culture. The change of color to orange-red indicated a positive reaction (Collee *et.al.*, 1996).

### **3.2.3.5. Voges -Proskauer reagent**

Reagent A) 5 gm of  $\alpha$ -naphthol was dissolved in 100 ml of 99% ethanol.

Reagent B) 40 gm of KOH was dissolved in 100 ml of distilled water (Collee *et.al.*, 1996).

### **Voges-Proskaur Test:**

The test was performed on 5 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 5% alpha naphthol (reagent A) were added followed by 10 drops of 40% KOH (reagent B) and shaken well and allowed to stand for up to 30 minutes before calling a reaction negative. For positive culture at the surface of the liquid turned to red, and the color spread gradually throughout the tube (Baron *et.al.*, 1996).

#### **۳.۲.۳.۶. Indol Test:**

A ۱% solution of tryptone broth was prepared then distributed in culture tubes then it was sterilized into the autoclave at ۱۲۱ C for ۱۵ minutes. The pH was readjusted after autoclaving to be ۷.۴. After that the broth was inoculated with bacterial isolate and it was incubated for ۴۸-۷۲ hours at ۳۷°C. Testing for indole production was made by adding ۶-۸ drops of Kovac's Reagent (p-dimethylaminobenzaldehyde in amyl alcohol). The formation of red color ring at the top of broth means a positive reaction.

A yellow color ring indicates a negative result (Macfaddin, ۲۰۰۰). Tubes were allowed standing for up to ۳۰ minutes before calling a reaction negative. In positive reactions the color turns red at the surface of the liquid, and the color spread gradually throughout the tube later (Baron *et.al.*, ۱۹۹۶).

#### **۳.۲.۳.۷. Simon Citrate Test:**

This test was carried out according to (Benson, ۱۹۹۸).

Simon citrate slants were sterilized by autoclave at ۱۲۱ C for ۱۵ minutes then cooled to ۵۰ C and the pH was readjusted to ۷.۴ and then inoculated with the bacterial culture and incubated for ۲۴-۴۸ hours at ۳۷°C. The positive result was a change of the color of media

from green to blue. A no change of the color indicates a negative reaction .

#### **۳.۲.۳.۸. Urease Test:**

This test was carried out according to (Benson, ۱۹۹۸). The urea base agar was sterilized by autoclaving at ۱۲۱ C for ۱۵ minutes . After it cools to ۵۰°C the pH was readjusted to ۷.۴ . The urea substrate was added and was poured in sterile tubes; then inoculated with the bacterial culture and incubated for ۲۴-۴۸ hours at ۳۷°C. The positive result was a deep pink color. Failure of deep pink color to develop meant a negative reaction .

#### **۳.۲.۳.۹. Kliglar Iron Agar (KIA) Test:**

This test was applied according to ( Macfaddin, ۲۰۰۰). The test is used 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 incubated at ۳۷°C" for ۲۴-۴۸ hours. The change color of the media from orange-red to yellow is due to carbohydrate fermentation with or without gas formation at butt of slant. In addition, the formation of hydrogen sulfide results in a black color precipitation at the butt .

### 3.2.3.1. Motility test by using semisolid media:

According to the method described by (Macfaddin, 2000), 10 ml of semisolid media was dispensed in culture tubes and left to stand at a vertical position, it was inoculated with a straight wire, making a single stab down the center of the tube to about half the depth of the medium. The tubes were incubated at 37°C and examined at 6 hours, 24 and 48 hours. Non-motile bacterial growth is generally confined to the stab-line and gives sharply defined margins leaving the surrounding medium clearly transparent. Motile bacteria typically give diffuse hazy growths that spread throughout the medium rendering it slightly opaque.

### 3.3. The modified Kirby-Bauer method

1-Mueller-Hinton agar

1. **Mueller-Hinton agar was prepared from a dehydrated base according to the manufacturer's (Mast lab, UK) recommendations.**

2. The medium has to be autoclaved for 121°C for 15 minutes then cooled to 45-50°C and poured into the plates. Allow to set on a level surface, to a depth of approximately 4 mm. A 9-cm plate requires approximately 20 ml of medium.

3. After agar had solidified, the plates were placed in the upright position in the incubator with the lids tilted at 30° for 30 minutes to

dry..

ξ. Any unused plates were stored in a plastic bag as the recommendation of (Vandepitte *et.al.*, 1991), which were sealed and placed in the refrigerator. Plates stored in this way can be kept for 7 weeks.

### 7-Antibiotic discs

Antibiotic discs of ( Razi, Iraq) with the proper diameter and potency were used. Stocks of antibiotic discs were kept at - 20 °C; the freezer. Antibiotics discs can be kept in the refrigerator for up to 1 month. On removal from the refrigerator, the containers were left at room temperature for about 1 hour to allow the temperature to equilibrate before use .

### 7-Procedure

As the method described by (Macfaddin, 2000). The modified Kirby-Bauer method was performed by 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 10ml of broth. This culture was then incubated for 7 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 .Antibiotic 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.

## **3.4. RADIAL IMMUNODIFFUSION TEST**

### **1-Materials**

#### **1-1- Serum samples**

Fifty seven blood samples were collected from children under five years with pyuria ,37 cases with E .coli ,10 cases with proteus and 10 cases with negative urine culture in the Pediatric Hospital in Karballa . These samples were then used to obtain serum by centrifugation at 3000 rpm.(Fahey *et.al.*, 1990).

#### **1-2- Materials used.**

١. Three (٣x٨) well radial immunodiffusion plates(Kent,USA).
٢. Blood collection tubes.
٣. Syringes and needles.
٤. Centrifuge (٣٠٠٠ rpm)
٥. Microliter dispenser (٥ microliters)
٦. Human Reference Sera: ٣ x ٠.٢ml vials(in kits only).
٧. Measuring device-calibrated in ٠.١mm increments available separately.

٨. linear graph paper between the concentration and square of diameter

## ٢. Procedure

according to the method of (Fahey *et.al.*, ١٩٩٥) the radial immunodiffusion kit was used to determine the levels of antibodies (IgG.IgM) in the serum of children with pyuria and as follows:

١. The blood was collected without anticoagulant and allowed to clot at room temperature.
٢. The serum was separated by centrifugation at about ٣٠٠٠ rpm within ٢-٣ hours after collection.
٣. The plates were removed from refrigerator to room temperature

approximately 30 minutes before filling wells.

- ξ. Excess moisture was removed from the plate and the cover was removed until evaporation had dried the surface and wells. the cover were replaced until use .
- ο. Three wells were filled with reference sera for each plate. Location of each was noted. Each vial of reference serum was mixed thoroughly.
- ϒ. The specimen was delivered to the well by placing the pipette tip at the bottom of the well. The bubbles were avoided to ensure proper volume and diffusion of sample. Visualization was aided by placing the plate on a dark background.
- ϣ. For the consistency wells were filled with a ο microliter pipette.
- Ϡ. The time of completion were marked on plate cover .
- ϡ. The plate was replaced in its bag .
- ϣ0. The plates were incubated upright on a flat surface at room temperature (20° to 25° C) for 16-20 hours. Overnight readings and after 24 hours for end point readings.
- ϣ1. The diameters of precipitin zones were measured to within 1mm.
- ϣ2. The reference sera provided in kits were used , such as the College of American Pathologists reference standard, determine their ring diameters to the nearest 0.1 mm.
- ϣ3. Regular graph paper were used to plot the concentration on the X axis and the zone diameters squared on the Y axis for each

protein for end point readings as in ( figure ٤.٢ – ٤.٣)

١٤. A straight line was drawn of "best fit" between the three points.

## Results

Determine the concentration of each unknown or specimen protein by reading its zone diameter on the reference curve and the corresponding concentration. Zone diameter must be squared for End Point calibration.

### ٣.٥. Biostatistical analysis

The biostatistical analysis of this study was obtained by the SPSS and Excel programs . The significance association at level of P value  $< ٠.٥$  and higher significance association of P value  $< ٠.٠١$  .

# Results

## *Chapter four*

## 4.1 Results

who had complaints related to UTI (229 girls and 106 boys) from birth to 5 years age attending the Pediatric Hospital of Karballa. The study included 385 children. General urine examination was made for all of them. pyuria was diagnosed in 111 (63 girls and 37 boys) as shown in table (4.1). It was found that 56 of them children had positive urine culture (30 girls and 26 boys) as shown in table (4.2).

## 4.2 Analysis of some related factors revealed the following results

### 4.2.1 Sex distribution

The sex distribution of pyuria cases indicated that the pyuria was more common in girls (27.5%) than boys (23.7%) and also the pyuria with positive urine culture was more common in girls (15.3%) than boys (13.5%).

Table (٤.١)

**Sex distribution of Pyuria cases .**

Sex	Children number	Pyuria present	Percentage of pyuria
<b>Female</b>	٢٢٩	٦٣	٢٧.٥ %
<b>Male</b>	١٥٦	٣٧	٢٣.٧ %
<b>Total</b>	٣٨٥	١٠٠	٢٦ %

*Table (٤.٢)*

**Sex distribution of UTI cases (pyuria with positive urine culture).**

Sex	number	percentage
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<b>Female</b>	٣٥(٢٢٩)	١٥.٣ %
<b>Male</b>	٢١(١٥٦)	١٣.٥ %
<b>Total</b>	٥٦(٣٨٥)	١٤.٥ %

#### ٤.٢.٢ Urinary tract infection according to age.

The distribution of UTI cases according to age groups indicated that UTI was more common in first(٣٥.٧%) and second(٢٣%) year of life and then decrease later in the third(١٢.٥%) ,fourth(٧.١%) and fifth(١٢.٥%) year of life .

**Table (٤.٣)**

*Distribution of positive urine culture cases according to age group.*

Age group	Number of cases	percentage
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<b>Group 1</b> <b>(birth to 1 years)</b>	20	30.7 %
<b>Group 2</b> <b>(1-2 years )</b>	18	23.1 %
<b>Group 3</b> <b>(2-3 years)</b>	7	12.0 %
<b>Group 4</b> <b>(3-4 years)</b>	4	7.1 %
<b>Group 5</b> <b>(4-5 years)</b>	7	12.0 %
<b>Total</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>100 %</b>

#### 4.2.3 Type of feeding.

This study observed the effect of breast feeding on occurrence of UTI under the age of two years of life. It was

found that the number of children on bottle feeding with UTI were significantly higher in comparison with those children on breast feeding with UTI at the level of significance ( P value < 0.001) .Table (4.4) represent children with UTI and on breast feeding were (30%) and with mixed feeding (breast and bottle) were (17.9%) and with bottle feeding were (46.3%).

*Table ( 4.4)*

**Number and percentage of types of feeding for children under 2 years with UTI. .**

Types of feeding	Numbers	percentage
<b>Breast feeding</b>	24	30.8 %
<b>Mixed feeding</b>	12	17.9%
<b>Bottle feeding</b>	31	46.3 %
<b>Total</b>	67	100 %

#### 4.2.4 Circumcision effect on UTI in boys under 5 years.

The circumcision effect was evaluated in children with UTI. The percentage of circumcised boys with UTI in the first year of life were (10.4%) and in the second year were (33.3%) and in the third year were (0%) and in the fourth year were (66.7%) and in the fifth year were (60%). So it was found that the number of uncircumcised boys with UTI were significantly higher in numbers than the numbers of circumcised boys with UTI at the level of significance (P value < 0.05) as shown in table (4.5).

**Table (4.5)**

*Distribution of cases of UTI in boys under 5 years according to circumcision affect.*

Age groups	Circumcised boys	Percentage	Uncircumcised boys	Percentage	Total
0-1 year	2	10.4%	11	84.6%	13
1-2 year	3	33.3%	6	66.7%	9

٢-٣ years	٢	٥.٠%	٢	٥.٠%	٤
٣-٤ Years	٤	٦٦.٧%	٢	٣٣.٧%	٦
٤-٥ Years	٣	٦.٠%	٢	٤.٠%	٥
<b>Total</b>	١٤	٣٧.٨%	٢٣	٦٢.٢%	٣٧

#### ٤.٢.٥ Recurrent urinary tract infection in children under ٥ years .

This study indicated that percentage of recurrent UTI in children under the ٥ years was (٧.٠%) and in boys was (٥.٧%) while in girls it was (٧.٧%).The recurrent UTI was more common in girls than boys.

**Table ( ٤. ٦ )**

**Distribution of cases of recurrent UTI in children according to sex .**

<b>Recurrent UTI</b>	<b>Boys</b>	<b>percentage</b>	<b>Girls</b>	<b>percentage</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>percentage</b>
<b>Present</b>	١٢	٥٧%	٢٧	٧٧%	٣٩	٧٠ %
<b>Not present</b>	٩	٤٣%	٨	٢٣%	١٧	٣٠%
<b>Total</b>	٢١	١٠٠%	٣٥	١٠٠%	٥٦	١٠٠%

**٤.٢.٦ Bacterial causes of urinary tract infection in children .**

The most common bacterial causes of UTI isolated was *E. coli*

bacteria (66%) and then *p. mirabilis* (17.9%), *Staph. saprophyticus* (7.1%), *K. pneumonia*(0.4%), *P. aeruginosa*(1.8%) and *Enterobacter* (1.8%).

**Table (4.7)**

**Number and percentage of bacteria isolates in urine culture in UTI patient.**

Type of bacteria		Numbers	percentage
Gram	<b><i>E. coli</i></b>	37	66 %
	<b><i>P. mirabilis</i></b>	10	17.9 %
	<b><i>K. pneumonia</i></b>	3	0.4 %
	<b><i>P. aeruginosa</i></b>	1	1.8 %
	<b><i>Enterobacter</i></b>	1	1.8 %
Gram	<b><i>Staph.saprophyticus</i></b>	4	7.1 %
<b>Total</b>		56	100 %

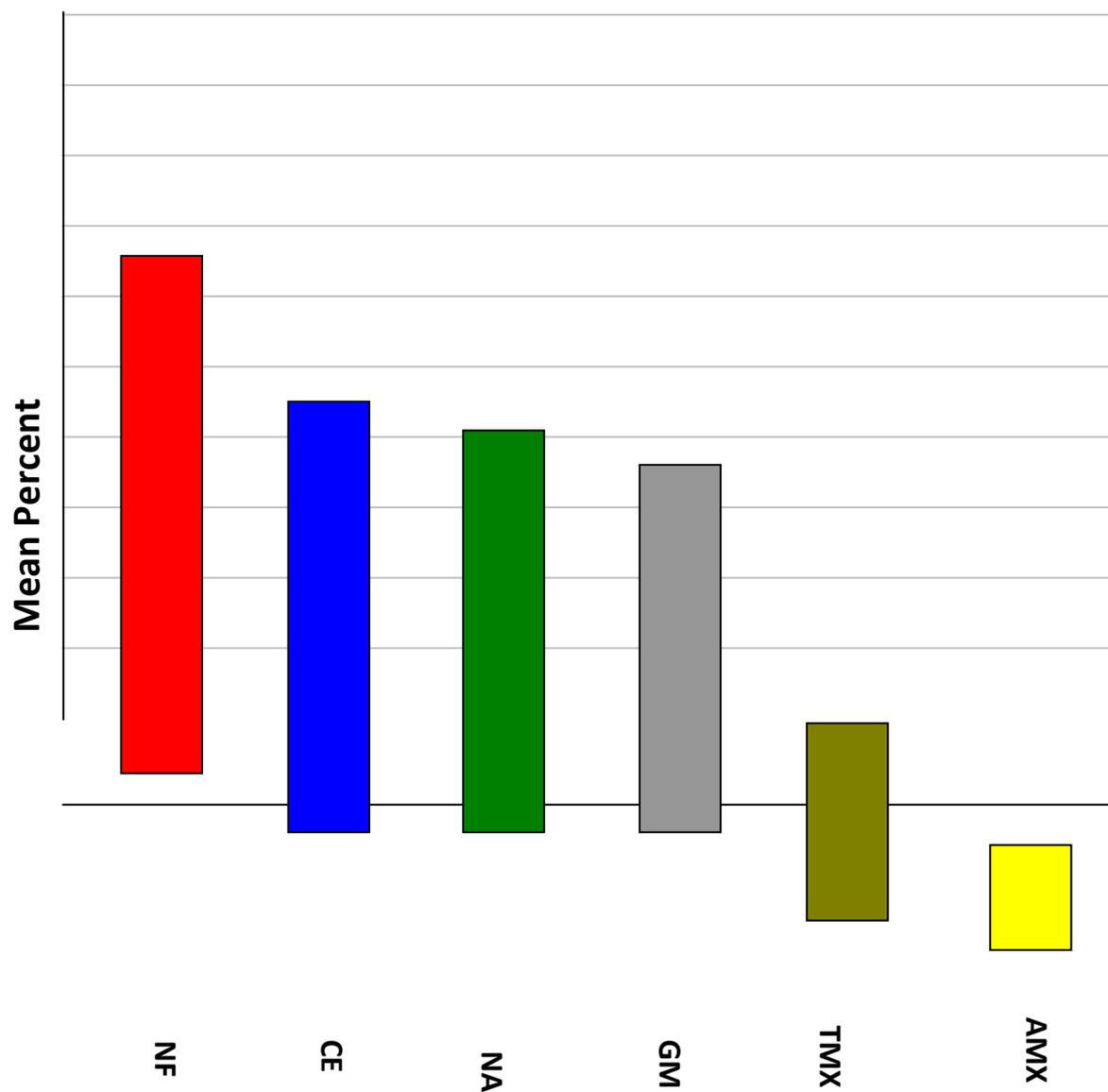
**Table (٤.٨)**

**Distribution of cases of UTI according to age groups and types of bacteria**

<u>The bacteria</u>	٠-١		١-٢		٢-٣		٣-٤		٤-٥	
	year	years								
	♂	♀	♂	♀	♂	♀	♂	♀	♂	♀
<b><i>E. coli</i></b>	٤	١٠	٢	٩	٢	٣		٢	١	٤
٣٧										
<b><i>proteus.</i></b>	٣	١	٢	١	١		١		١	
<b><i>mirabilis</i></b>										
١٠										
<b><i>Staph.</i></b>										
<b><i>saprophyticus</i></b>	١		١	١						١
٤										
<b><i>pseudomonas</i></b>		١								
١										
<b><i>Klebsiella</i></b>										
٣			١	١		١				
<b><i>Enterobacter</i></b>										
١							١			
<b>Total</b>	٨	١٢	٦	١٢	٣	٤	٢	٢	٢	٥

#### 4.2.7 Antibiotic sensitivity Result .

*The antibiotic which was more sensitive on bacterial causes of UTI was Nitrofurantoin then Cefotaxime ,Nalidixic acid, gentamicin, Trimethoprim-sulphamethaxazole and Amoxicillin .*



## Drugs used

AMX Amoxicillin      TMX Trimethoprim Sulphamethaxazole

GM Gentamicin      NA Nalidixic acid

CE Cefotaxime      NF Nitrofurantoin

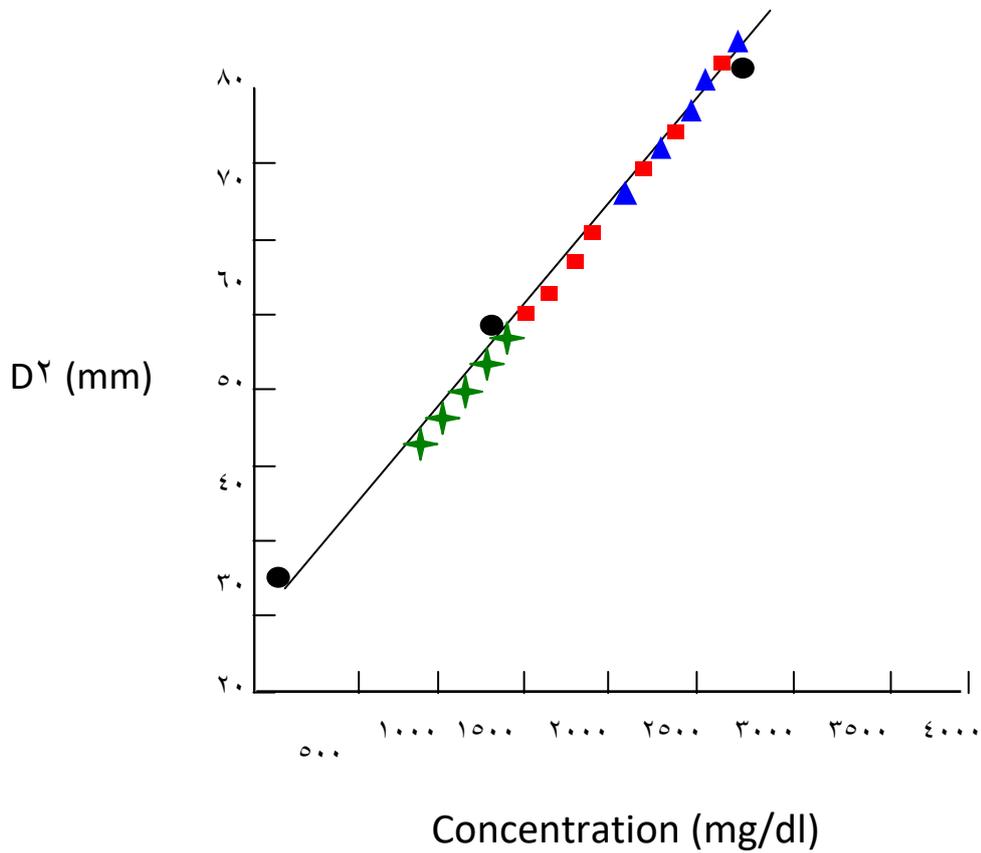
### *Figure ( 4.1)*

**The percentage of sensitivity of bacterial isolates to antibiotics.**

## 4.2.8 Immune response for urinary tract infection.

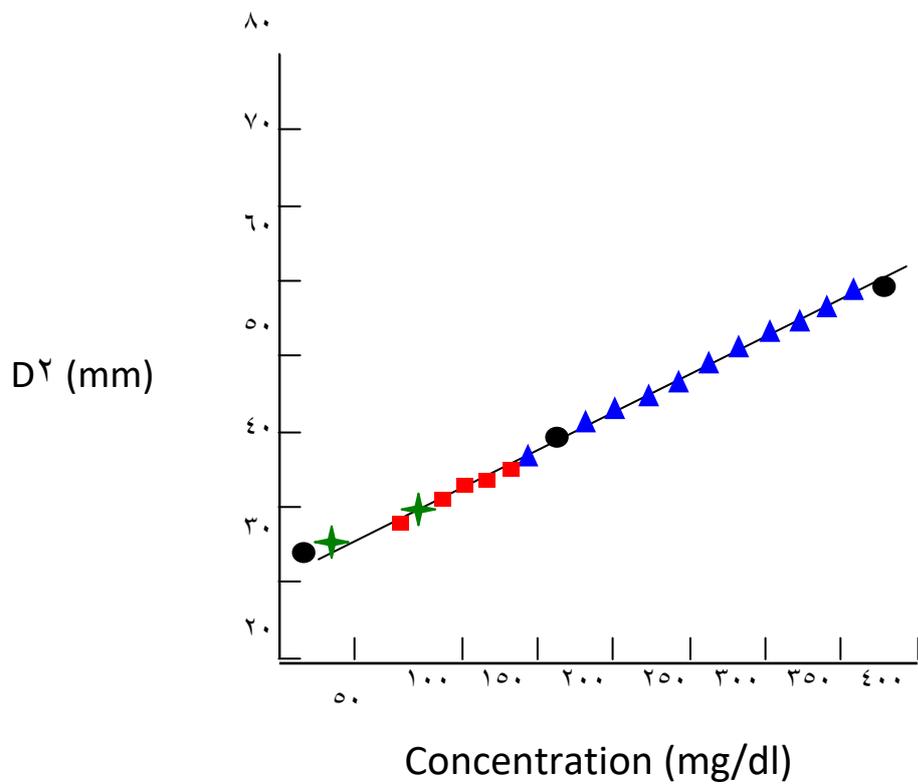
This study included 100 children with pyuria 30 cases with *E .coli*, 10 cases with proteus and 10 cases had negative urine culture . The serum IgG ,IgM antibodies concentrations was measured and was compared the mean of concentrations of these three groups. It was found that the mean of serum IgG IgM concentrations of antibodies of *E .coli* were significantly higher than *Proteus mirabilis* at the level of significance (P value < 0.05) . For *proteus* it was significantly higher than negative cases of urine culture at the level of significance (P value < 0.05) as seen in figure (4.4).So the immune response to *E .coli* was higher than *proteus* and for *proteus* was higher than negative cases.

The immune response of cases of UTI according to age groups also were studied by taking the mean of concentrations of antibodies for each type of bacteria for each age group as seen in figure (4.5-4.6)



● Stander    ★ Negative    ■ Proteus    ▲ E.coli

Figure (4.2) The relation between concentration of IgG and square of diameter of three standers of radial immunodiffusion kit.



● Stander    ★ Negative    ■ Proteus    ▲ E. coli

**Figure (4.3) The relation between concentration of IgM and square of diameter of three standers of radial immunodiffusion kit.**

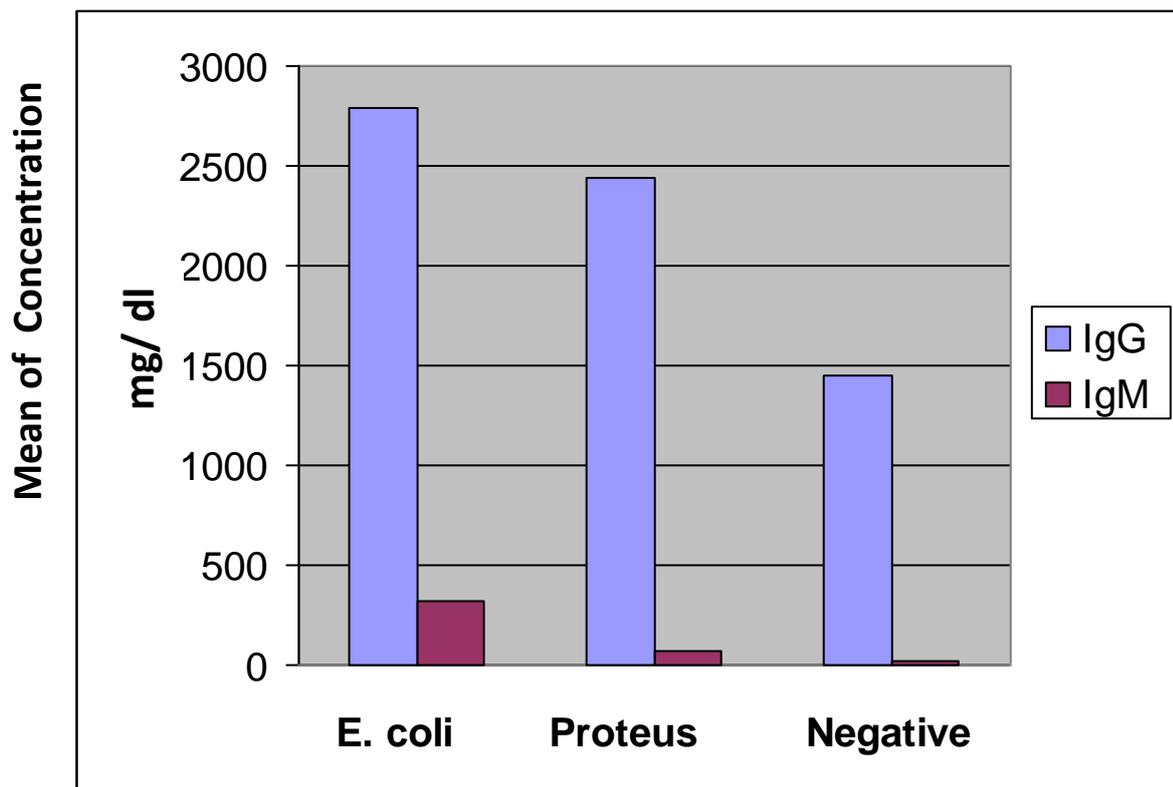


Figure (٤.٤)

*The means of concentrations of IgG,IgM antibodies according to type of bacteria.*

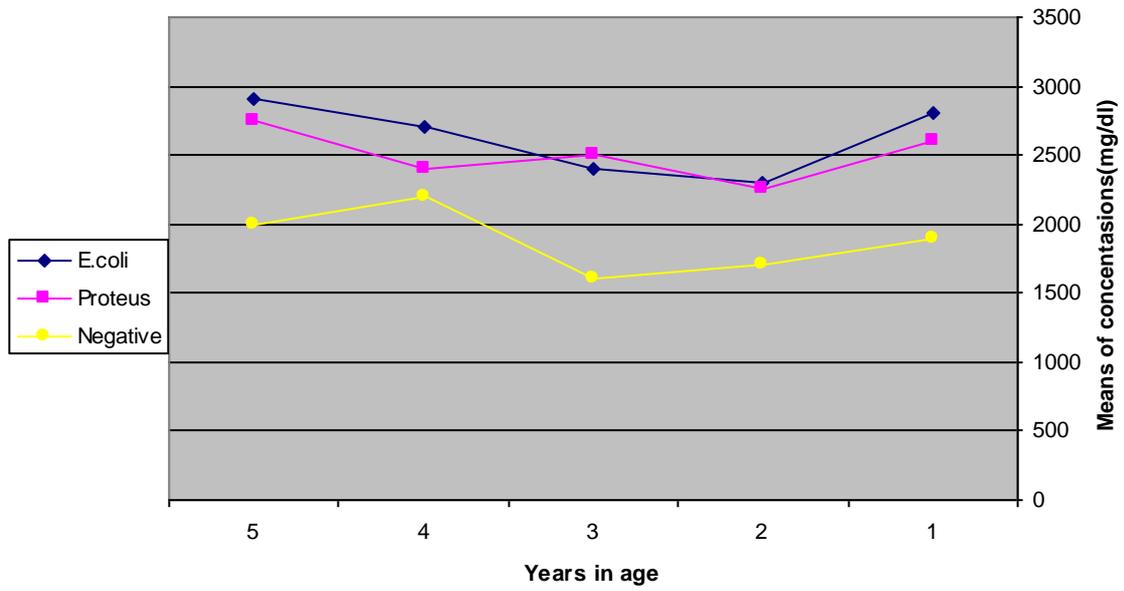
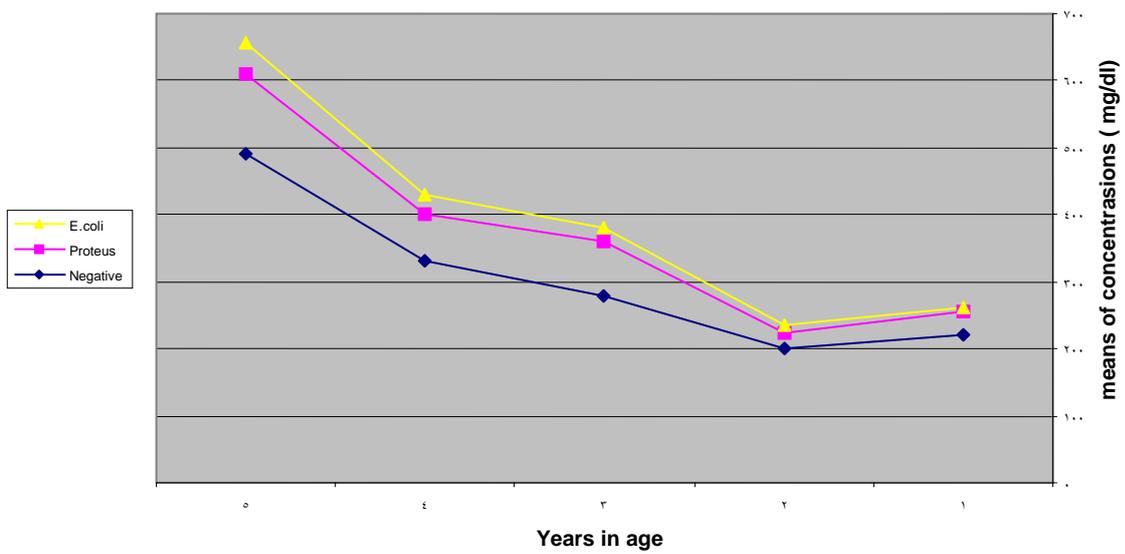


figure ( ٤.٥) The relation between the mean of concentrations of IgG antibodies and the age groups.



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# Discussion

## *Chapter Five*

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#### Sex related disease

This study has covered 380 children (106 male and 274 female) ending during the period of the study in the Pediatric Hospital of Karballa who had UTI . Pyuria was diagnosed in 100 of them. They were 63 female and 37 for male. The presence of positive urine culture was 06 . They were 30 girls and 21 boys. The percentage of urinary tract infection under 0 years was higher in girls (10.3%) than in boys (13.0%) as listed in table ( 4-2 ).

These results agree with the results obtained by (Shahab and Navideh , 1997), who reported the rate of urinary tract infection in female (30.3%) higher than male (18.3%) in children under 12 years of age .

. The present data agrees with those obtained by Zainal and Baba, 1996. study in Malaysia , in which the prevalence was 0.19% in boys

and 0.33% in girls.

In general girls are more susceptible to urinary tract infection than boys because the urethra is shorter and nearer to the anus more in female leading to more possibility of infected with enteric bacteria, in addition, the vaginal pathogen may invade the urinary tract causing urinary tract infection (Mims *et.al.*, 2004).

#### 2. Urinary tract infection according to age groups

with urinary tract infection were taken in this study under 0 years and The children also were divided into 0 age groups .The first age group covered patient from birth to 1 year, the second from 1 to 2 years ,the third from 2 to 3 years ,the fourth from 3 to 4 years and the fifth from 4 to 0 years .

This data indicate that the age group more affected was the first age group who were 20 cases from 06 (35.7%) and the second were 18 from 06 (32.1%) and the third were 9 from 06 (12.5%) and the fourth were 4 from 06 (7.1%) and the fifth were 9 from 06 (12.5%) .

These results agree with those obtained by ( chow *et.al.*, 1988) that

show age below 1 year is more affected then decreases above one year , to fourth year , it became less above fourth year. Also the results agree with those obtained by (Shahab and Navideh, 1997) who reported that more age group affected is that under 2 years then the incidence decreases till 4 years and even decreases more above 4 years of age .

### 3. Effect of feeding on UTI .

The breast feeding is an important protective factor against most diseases of childhood. This study investigated the impact of breast feeding on the occurrence of urinary tract infection in children under two years age. The children number with urinary tract infection and on breast feeding exclusively were 24 (30.8 %). while on mixed feeding (breast and bottle feeding) 12 (17.9 %) and on bottle feeding were 31 (46.3 %) as show in table ( 4-4 ).

These results show increase of urinary tract infection in children on bottle feeding if we compared with other study on types of feeding that done in Basrah that show 0.7 % were still receiving breast milk as

their only source of milk and 14.4% were receiving infant formula in addition to breast feeding (Benyamen, 1998). Also the results agree with those obtained by (outerbridge, 1998) who reported that breast feeding is very effective in reducing incidence of UTI in children .

o.4. Urinary tract infection in boys under five years according to circumcision affect.

The effect of circumcision was investigated in boys as its predisposing factor of UTI . Male patients were divided into circumcised and un circumcised boys. The circumcised boys in the first age group were 2 (10.4%) from 13 boys and in the second age group were 3(33.3%) from 9 boys and in the third age group were 2(0.0%) from 4 boys and in the fourth age group were 4(66.7%) from 6 boys and in the fifth age group were 3(60%) from 5 boys. The total circumcised boys under 5 years were 14 (37.8%) from 37 boys with UTI .

These results agree with the results obtained (Craig *et.al.*, 1996) in Australia in boys under 6 years of age (mean 7 months) that 6% of uncircumcised got UTI but only 1% of circumcised got it. Also the results agree with those of (Charles *et.al.*, 1984) who reported that 90% of UTI in the uncircumcised boys and 0% of UTI in circumcised boys in the age from 0 days to 12 months. These results were confirmed by (Wiswell, 1989) who established that uncircumcised boys had 11-fold higher incidence of getting UTI than circumcised boys.

### 0.5. Recurrent urinary tract infection in children .

This study proved that many of the urinary tract infection were recurrent in children that 39 (70%) out of 56 with recurrent urinary tract infection and 17 (30%) without recurrence (acute urinary tract infection) as listed in table (4-6). These results agree with those obtained by (Zymslowska and Kozlowski, 2003) who reported that acute UTI was observed in 29% of children, while recurrent UTI was diagnosed in 41% of patients.

Recurrent UTI in girls was higher than boys that about 07% of UTI in boys were recurrent while 44% of UTI in girls were recurrent. These results agree with those obtained by (Hellerstein, 1998) who reported that UTI in girls are more recurrent than in boys.

### 0.6. Bacterial causes of UTI in children.

The type of bacteria responsible for urinary tract infection were

presented in table (ξ-Υ). *E. coli* was the major causative bacteria of UTI which was isolated from 37 (66.1 %) children so *E. coli* was the commonest organism in children's under 0 years. These results agree with what found by (Bouallegue *et.al.*, 2004) in Tunisia (71 %) and those of a study by (Shahab and Navideh, 1997) in Iran (71 %). *Proteus mirabilis* isolated from 10 children (17.9%).

These results were higher than what was found by (Shahab and Naviden , 1997) (6.3 %) and even higher than those obtained by (Bouallegue *et.al.*, 2004) (8%) and also higher than those of (Azhar, 2000) (11%). while *Klebsiella* isolated from 3 children only (0.4%).

**This result agrees with those found by (Olli *et.al.*, 1999) study in Turkey ( 4.4% ) and less than of ( Bouallegue *et.al.*, 2004 ) ( 10% ).**

*Staphylococcus saprophyticus* was isolated from 4 children ( 7.1% )

These results agrees with the results found by ( Azhar , 2000 ) 4% and with (Olli *et.al.*, 1999) ( 3.8% )

*Pseudomonas* organism was isolated from 1 child ( 1.8% ) This result agrees with ( Bouallegue *et.al.*, 2004 ) ( 1% ) and less than those of ( Shahab and Navideh , ) ( 3.1% ) and agrees with the results obtained by ( Azhar , 2000 ) ( 1% ).

*Enterobacter* organism was isolated also from 1 child ( 1.8% ) This result is less than that of (Shahab and Navideh , 1997) ( 3.7% )

#### 4.7. Antibiotic sensitivity results

The antibiotic resistance percent of specific type of bacteria is shown in table ( 4-9 ) and the resistance percentage in general is present in figure ( 4.1 ) .

Regarding Amoxicillin, 100% of *P. aeruginosa* , *Enterobacter* , *P. mirabilis* were resistant . These results correlate well with the results obtained by( Saurez *et. al.*, 2002) , (Orett , 1999) and ( Yamaguchi *et.al.*, 1999) who observed that these bacteria had high resistance to Amoxicillin. In addition 83.8% of *E .coli*, 66.7% of *Klebsiella* were resistant to Amoxicillin. These results agrees with the results obtained by ( Bouallegue *et.al.*, 2004) who reported that high resistance of *E. coli* to Amoxicillin and *Klebsiella* in addition to 100% of *Staph. Saprophyticus* were resistant to Amoxicillin. These results agrees with the results obtained by ( Jureen *et.al.*, 2003) who showed the coagulase negative Staph. had high resistance to Amoxicillin . Generally 84.9% of bacteria isolated from children in this study were resistant to Amoxicillin .The result agrees with the result obtained by (Shahab and Navideh, 1997) who reported that about 100% of the isolated bacteria were resistant to amoxicillin.

Regarding Nitrofurantoin , 100% of *P. aeruginosa*, 60% of *P. mirabilis* , 22.0 % of *E .coli* , 33.3% of *Klebsiella* were resist. However no *Staph. Sp.* Or *Enterobacter* were resistant . These results are in agreement with the results obtained by (Boullegue *et.al.*, 2004) who reported that low resistance of *E .coli* and *Klebsiella* toward nitrofurantoin and these results agrees with the results obtained by (chow *et.al.*, 1988) that found that 00% of *proteus* were resistant to nitrofurantoin . In addition these results agrees with those of (Sedlock *et.al.*, 1990) who reported no resistance of *Staph. saprophyticus* toward Nitrofurantoin. Also these results agrees with (Zhou *et.al.*, 2002) who reported that most of *Enterobacter* were sensitive to nitrofurantoin and also the result agrees with (chiner *et.al.*, 1999) , (Barrett *et.al.*, 1999) who reported high resistance of *P. aeruginosa* to Nitrofurantoin .

Generally 26.8% of the isolated bacteria from children in this study were resistant to Nitrofurantoin. These results are in agreement with the results obtained by (Radi, 1994) who reported that about 20.9% of isolated bacteria were resistant to nitrofurantoin.

Regarding Cefotaxime , 16.1 % of *E.coli*, 40 % of *proteus* , 66.7% of *Klebsiella* and 100 % of *P. aeruginosa* 20% of *Staph. Saprophyticus* were resistant but no *Enterobacter* resistance was found.

These results are in agreement with results obtained by (Boullegue *et.al.*, 2004) who reported very low resistance of *E .coli* and high resistance of *Klebsiella* toward cefotaxime . These results agrees with those of (Blandino *et.al.*, 1990) who reported that most of *P. mirabilis* were sensitive to cefotaxime while he reported low resistance toward to coagulase negative bacteria and these results agree with those obtained by (Irgbu *et.al.*, 2003).

Deguchi *et.al.*, (1990) and Sedlock *et.al.*, (1990) reported that most of *Staph. saprophyticus* were sensitive toward cefotaxime , an observation that agrees with the results obtained by (Szaba *et.al.*, 1990) who reported *P aeruginosa* with high resistance to cefotaxime and a similar observation by (Thomson *et.al.*, 1991) who reported that most of *Enterobacter* were sensitive to cefotaxime .

Generally 30.4% of the isolated bacteria from children in this study were resistant to cefotaxime. This result is in agreement with those obtained by (Radi, 1994) who found that about 24.7% of bacterial causes of UTI were resistant to cefotaxime.

Regarding Trimethoprim sulfamethoxazole , 41% of *E. coli* , 40% of *proteus* , 66.7 % of *Klebsiella* , 20% of *Staph saprophyticus* and 100%

of *P. aeruginosa* and *Enterobacter* were resistant . These results are in agreement with results obtained by (Bouallegue *et.al.* , ٢٠٠٤) who reported that ٤٠% of *E. coli* , ٦٥% of *Klebsiella* and ٣١% of *proteus* were resistance toward Trimethoprim .And these results agree with (Gladin *et.al.*, ١٩٩٩). (Barsic *et.al.*, ١٩٩٧) and (Guirguitzova *et.al.*, ٢٠٠٢) who reported that *P. aeruginosa* and *Enterobacter* had high resistance toward Trimethoprim and also the results agreed with (Chow *et.al.*, ١٩٨٨) Who reported that ٧٥% of coagulase negative bacteria were sensitive to Trimethoprim.

Generally ٦٦.١% of bacteria isolated from children in this study were resistant to Trimethoprim sulfamethoxazole . These results agree with results obtained by (Radi, ١٩٩٤) who reported that about ٧٠.٩% of bacteria were resistant to Trimethoprim sulfamethoxazole.

Regarding Gentamicin ٣٧.٨ of *E. coli* , ٤٠% of *proteus mirabilis* , ٣٣.٣% of *Klebsiella pneumonia* ٥٠% of *S. Saprophyticus* were resistant and no resistance of *P. aeruginosa* and *Enterobacter* bacteria.

These results agree with the results obtained by (Boullegue *et.al.* , ٢٠٠٤) and (Kevin *et.al.*, ٢٠٠٣) who reported that low resistance of *E. coli* and very low resistance of *P. aeruginosa* toward gentamicin . it also agrees with (Blandino *et.al.*, ١٩٩٠) who indicated that most of *Enterobacter* and *Proteus mirabilis* were sensitive to gentamicin and one of two of *S. Saprophyticus* were resistance to gentamicin .

Generally 37.5% of isolated bacteria from children in this study were resistance to gentamicin. These results are in agreement with results obtained by (Radi, 1994) who reported that about 26.4% of bacteria were resistant to Gentamicin.

Regarding nalidixic acid 23.2% of *E .coli* and 20% of *Proteus mirabilis* , 20% of *staphylococcus saprophyticus* , 33.3 % of *Klebsiella pneumonia* and 100 % of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Enterobacter* were resistant .These results are in agreement with results obtained by( Chow *et.al.*, 1988) who indicated that very low resistance of *E .coli* ,*proteus* and *Klebsiella* toward nalidixic acid and also agrees with results obtained by (Lazar *et.al.*, 2002) who reported that high resistance of *Enterobacter*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* toward nalidixic acid . Also agrees with the results obtained by (Mabrook and Yahia, 2001) who reported only 33.3% of *Staphylococcus saprophyticus* were resistant to nalidixic acid .

Generally 33.7% of isolated bacteria in this study were resistant to nalidixic acid. This result is similar to the result obtained by (Radi, 1994) who reported 20.9% of isolated bacteria were resistant to nalidixic acid.

## ◦.∧. Immune response of urinary tract infection

The results of immune response in the children were that the mean of concentrations of serum IgG, IgM antibodies in cases of *E .coli* in urine culture was higher than that of *Proteus mirabilis* in urine culture and was higher in *Proteus mirabilis* in urine culture than negative urine culture as seen in figures (∑.∨-∑.∩-∑.∑). These results are in agreement with the results obtained by (Agata *et.al.*, 1989) who found a high concentration of antibodies to P .fimbria of *E .coli* in cases of urinary tract infection and also agrees with ( Bergman *et.al.*, 1979) who reported that 24% of patients without *E .coli* in urine culture had raised *E .coli* antibody titer but only 4% of patient without growth of *proteus mirabilis* had raised *P .mirabilis* antibody titer .

The distribution of means of concentrations of IgG antibodies according to age groups show increase in the first age group then decrease in the second and third age group then increase after that

in the fourth and fifth age group as seen in figure (٤.٥).

These results are in agreement with results obtained by (Vlug *et.al.*, ١٩٩٤) who reported a high concentration of IgG antibody in the first months of life because the placenta transfer from mother during infancy then decrease later in the second and third year then increase later in the fourth and fifth year.

The distribution of the means of concentrations of IgM antibody show increase gradually during the first five years of age as seen in figure (٤.٦).

These results are in agreement with the results obtained by (Brooks *et.al.*, ٢٠٠١).

who found that IgM antibody formed by the fetus during the first months of life with an infection and increase gradually till reach adult concentration .

*Conclusions*

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***Recommendations***

## Conclusions

١. A urine culture is a best method for diagnosis of UTI in children .
٢. The majority of the infected children were females while males were very low and the highest frequency of the disease was in the first year of age.
٣. The most common type of bacterial causes of UTI was *E .coli* followed by *Proteus mirabilis* then *Staphylococcus .saprophyticus* then *Klebsiella pneumonia* then in the last *Enterobacter* and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* .
٤. The best effective antibiotics for bacterial causes of UTI were Nitrofurantoin then Cefotaxime , Nalidixic acid , Gentamicin , Trimethoprim – Sulfamethoxazole and finally amoxicillin.
٥. Breast feeding is a prophylactic factor against different disease occurring during childhood especially diarrhea and UTI.
٦. The circumcision reduces incidence of UTI in boys during the first year of life.

Υ. The immune response for UTI in children differ according to bacterial causes that the immune response for *E .coli* was higher than proteus .

## **Recommendations**

- Ϻ. The antibiotic choice for the treatment of UTI in children must be correctly and depend on urine culture and antibiotics sensitivity results and also follow up of cases of recurrent and complicated UTI .
- ϻ. Breast feeding is an important protective factor against UTI in children so we must encourage breast feeding and explain the benefits of it for mothers.
- ϼ. The circumcision must be encouraged during the first months of life in boys .
- Ͻ. There are specific immune responses for bacterial causes of UTI in children, they differ according to their types and must be studied more that may be useful for us to give some constant ranges of serum immunoglobulins for diagnosis of bacterial causes and for immunization against these bacteria .

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