

Case One "Locked Jaw"



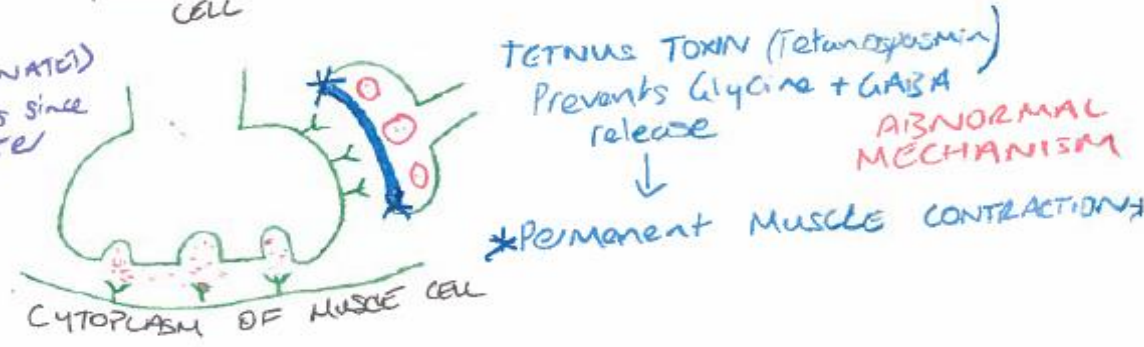
"I gashed my leg on a fence last night"

Incubation ~ 8 days (RANGE 3-21)

UNVACCINATED >10yrs since BOOSTER

FATAL MORTALITY 50-75%!

Prevention = VACCINATE



CLINICAL SIGNS

RISUS SARDONICUS



Opisthotonus



Autonomic Instability

BP ↑ ↓
HR ↑ ↓
Temp ↑ ↓

Seizures



TRISMUS "LOCKED JAW"
usually 1st sign

TREATMENT

- * Wound debridement
- * Antibiotics - Metronidazole
- * Tetanus Immunglobulin
- * Muscle Relaxation - Diazepam
- * Magnesium Sulphate - Suppression of Autonomic Overactivity.
- * Seizure Control / Paralysis / Airway Management = ICU care!