

# Bronchiectasis (Internal Propedeutics)

Bronchiectasis is a term used for abnormally widened bronchi.

## Characteristics

Lumen of bronchi is widened, secretions are accumulated in bronchi – expectoration of purulent sputum, mainly in the morning.

## Types

According to presence:

- local;
- diffuse.

According to its content:

- emptied;
- filled by secretions.

According to its origin:

- acquired (most of them);
- hereditary.

## Percussion

- Resonant (when emptied);
- Dull or thudlike (when secretions are present).

## Auscultation

- Vesicular respiration;
- scattered wet crackles localized over lower lung lobes.

Diagnosis is affirmed by **bronchography**.

## Link

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