

Bad Obstetric History (BOH)

*The term '**Bad Obstetric History or BOH**' is applied to mothers in whom a previous poor pregnancy outcome is likely to have a bearing on the prognosis of her present pregnancy*

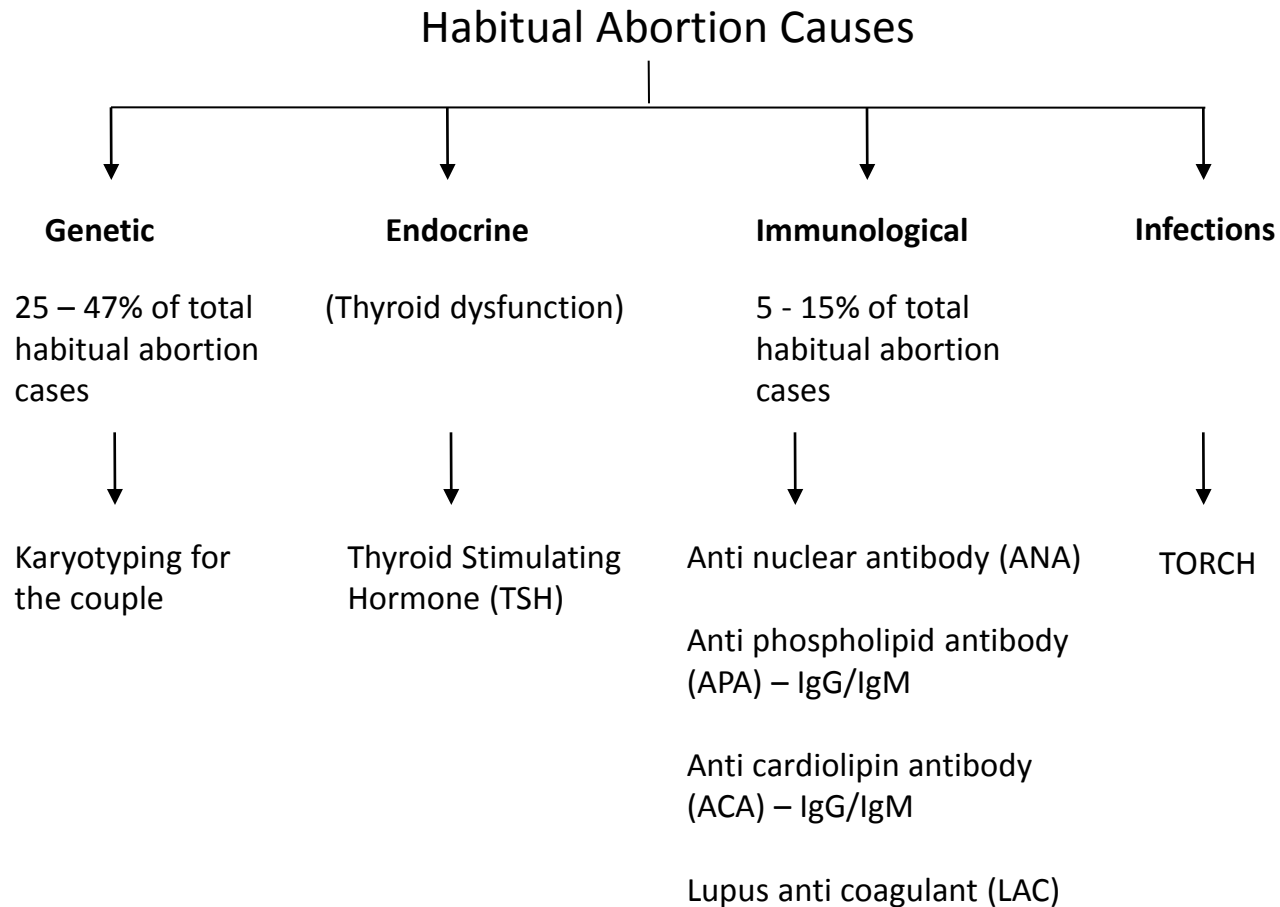
*The **Habitual Abortion (HA)** is defined as the emergence of a number of at least three consecutive spontaneous abortions*

Habitual abortion affects 1-3 % of fertile couples !!



BOH : What Causes it ??

There are a multitude of possible causes of BOH !!



BOH

- The first recommendation in evaluation of couples presenting with Habitual Abortion is to make a Karyotype Analysis of parents & aborted fetus
- In order to exclude some endocrine causes it is recommended to test the level of prolactin, of TSH and of anti-thyroid antibodies.
- Immunological causes should be considered in women with previous pregnancies complicated by unexplained fetal wastage.
- All antenatal cases with BOH should be routinely screened for TORCH