

Table 1

Classification of chronic pancreatitis¹

Toxic-metabolic

- Alcohol
- Tobacco smoking
- Hypercalcaemia
- Chronic renal failure
- Medication (azathioprine, tetracycline, valproate, oestrogens)

Idiopathic

- Early onset
- Late onset
- Tropical

Genetic

- Autosomal dominant
- Autosomal recessive (cystic fibrosis)

Autoimmune

- Isolated autoimmune chronic pancreatitis
- Syndromic associations (Sjögren's syndrome, inflammatory bowel disease, primary biliary cirrhosis)

Recurrent and severe acute pancreatitis

- Post necrotic and severe acute pancreatitis
- Post radiotherapy
- Ischaemia

Obstructive

- Pancreatic divisum
- Duct obstruction (tumour or stones)