

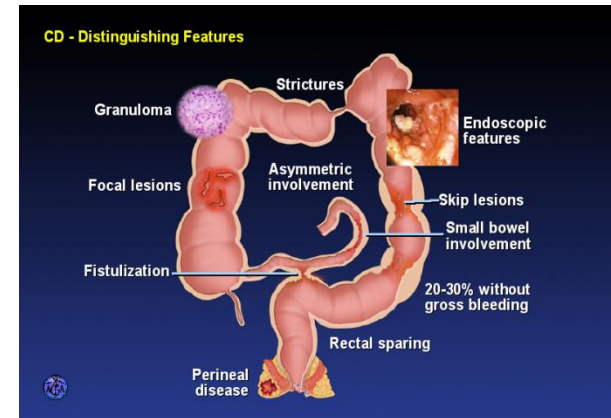
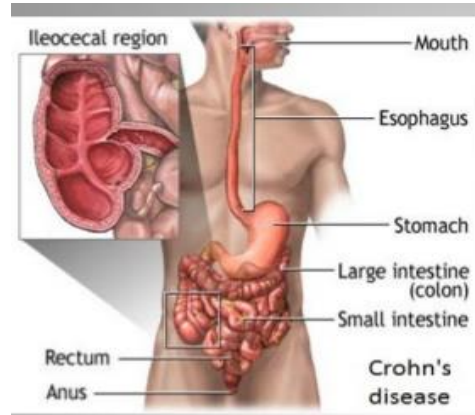
# Is Crohn's disease increasing in Egypt?



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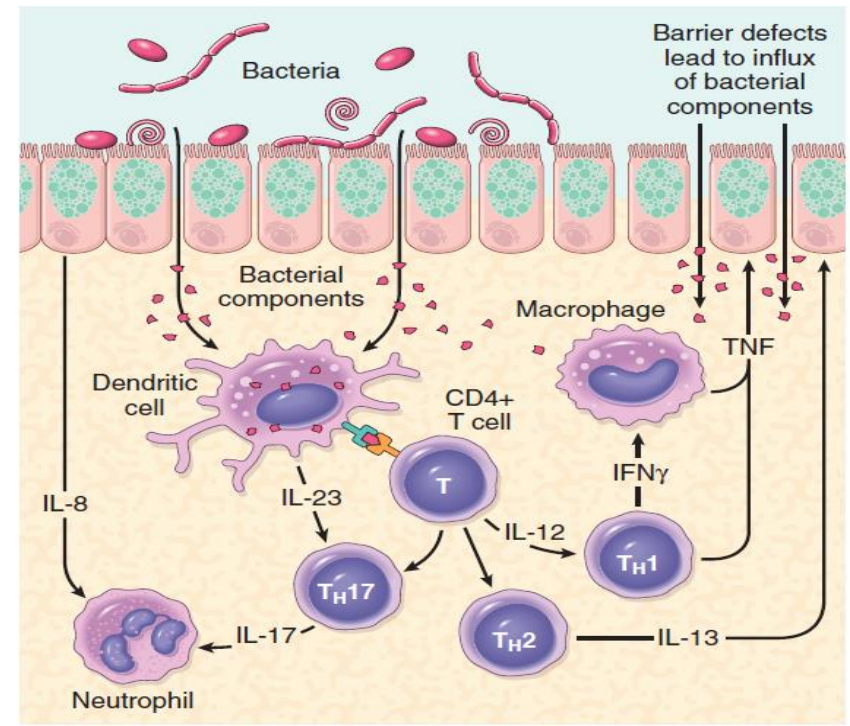
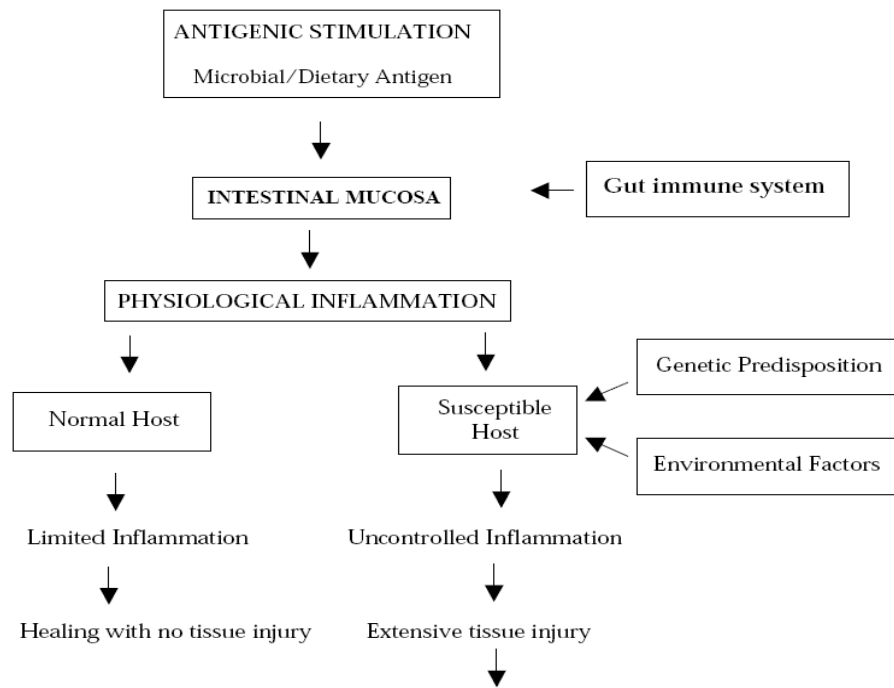
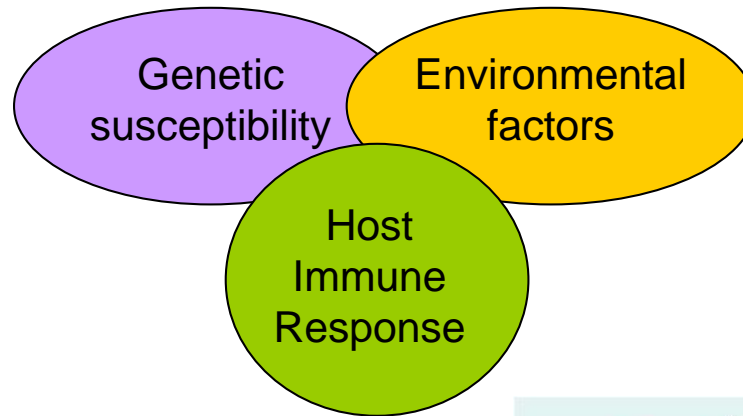
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Chronic transmural inflammatory process of the bowel & affects any part of the gastro -intestinal tract from the mouth to the anus.



- **1806**: First reported case of Crohn's by Combe and Sanders to the Royal College of Physicians in London, England.
- **1913**: Surgical evidence of the disease reported in the paper 'Chronic Intestinal Enteritis' written by Dr. Kennedy.
- Described in **1932** by Crohn, Ginsburg, and Oppenheimer of Mount Sinai Hospital in New York.

# Etiology & Pathogenesis



# Aim

To present **7** cases of CD seen in **18** months by a **single author** to ask :

- 1- Is it increasing in Egypt nowadays or it is just a coincidence ?,
- 2- Why late diagnosis of such cases ?,
- 3 - Is exploration still has a rule in vague cases ?

Data of patients were reviewed & will be shown in **a systematic manner** like description of the disease

# Baseline clinical characteristics

Character	No.
Total number	7
Male : Female	6:1
Married	3
Smoking	1
Duration of the disease	1-3.5 years
Age at surgery	
20-32 Y	6
56 Y	1
Previous medications	
Pentasa & cortisone	1
Comorbid diseases	No
Previous surgery	
Appendicitis	1
Previous blood transfusion	3

# Disease location

- ❑ Commonest site : Ileum ( involved in 80% of cases)
- ❑ Small gut alone 50% , Both small gut & colon 40% , Colon alone 10%

Distribution	No.
Isolated lesion	6
Double lesions	1
Mid ileal	1
Terminal ileum	5
Terminal ileum & sigmoid colon	1
Other GIT lesions	No
Perianal disease	No



**Diagnosis is a combination of Clinical , Raiological ,  
Laboratory , Endoscopic & Histopathological features**



## Diagnosis

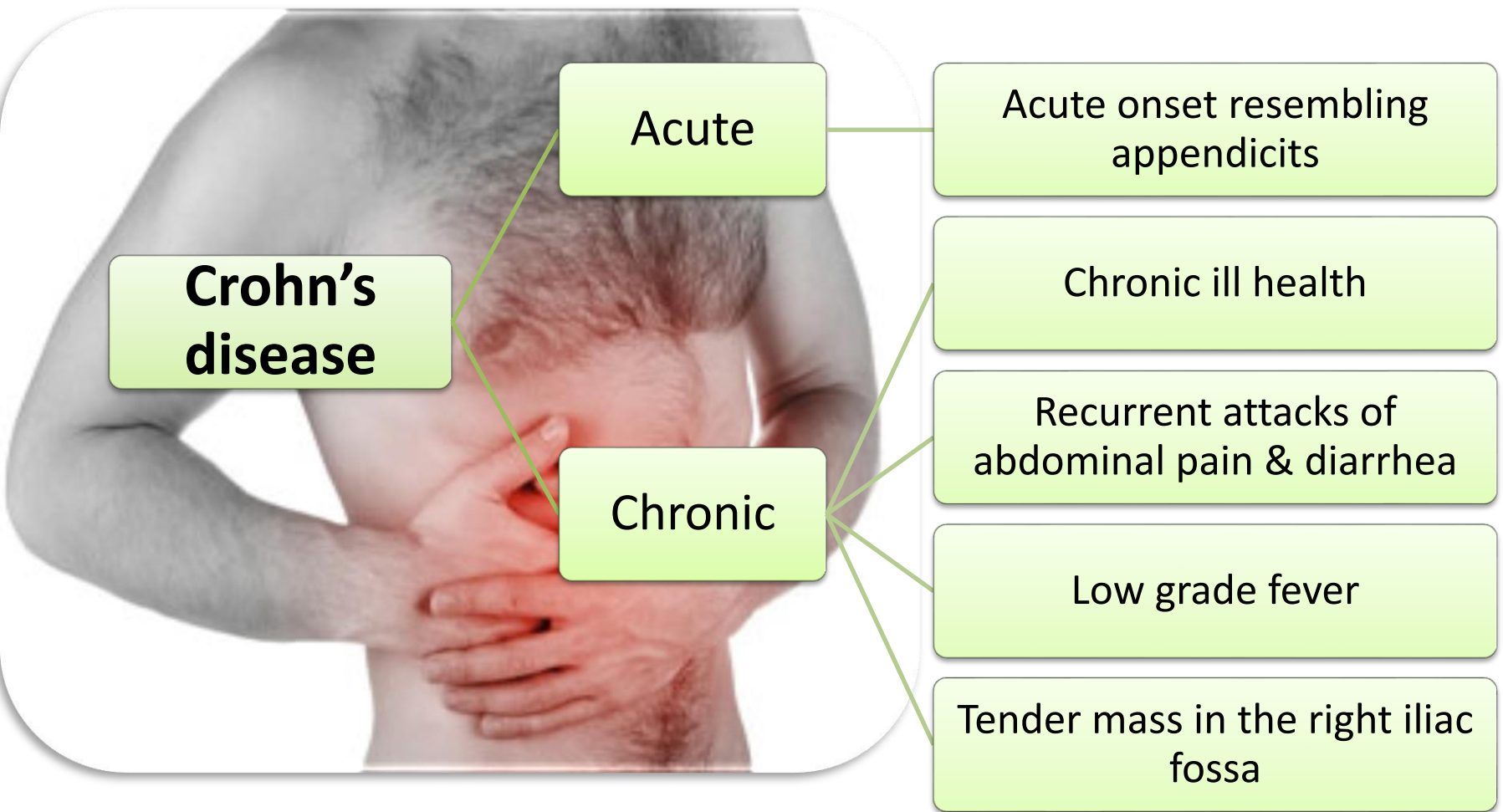
- Laboratory tests
- Endoscopy
- Radiography
- Biopsy
- CT enterography



# Clinical

Intestinal or extraintestinal

People with CD go through periods of flare-ups and remission.





# Clinical presentations

	Number
<b>Acute</b>	
Intestinal obstruction	2
<b>Chronic</b>	
Diarrhea	5
Colicky pain	4
General ill health	4
Weight loss	3
Bleeding per rectum	1
<b>Extraintestinal manifestations</b>	0

# Investigations

Type	Character
Lab. Investigations	
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6.5-11.3  
0.7 -2  
Normal  
3.2-4.5

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Age: 30 سنة

Gender: Male  
Request Place: Patient reception  
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CBC

Test	Result	Reference Value
WBC	2.8 k/uL	4 - 11
RBC	3.50 m/uL	4.5-6.5 (Male), 3.8-5.8 (Female)
HGB	7.4 g/dL	13-18 (Male), 11.5-16.5 (Female)
HCT	22.4 %	40-50 (Male), 37-47 (Female)
MCV	64.1 fL	76 - 96
MCH	21.1 pg	27 - 32
MCHC	33.0 g/dL	30 - 35
PLT	343 k/uL	140 - 450
LYMPH%	32.0 %	10 - 58.5
MXD%	15.3 %	0.1 - 24
NEUT%	52.7 %	37 - 92
LYMPH No	0.9 k/uL	0.6 - 4.1
MXD No	0.4 k/uL	0 - 1.8
NEUT No	1.5 k/uL	2 - 7.8
PDW	17.7 fL	8 - 18
MPV	8.3 fL	8 - 12
P-LCR	%	
RDW	20.2 %	11.5 - 14.5

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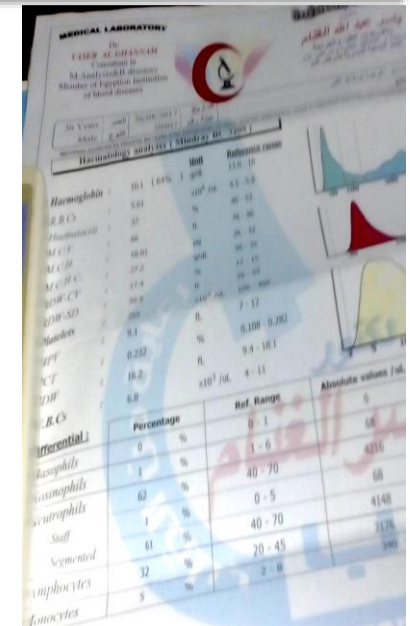
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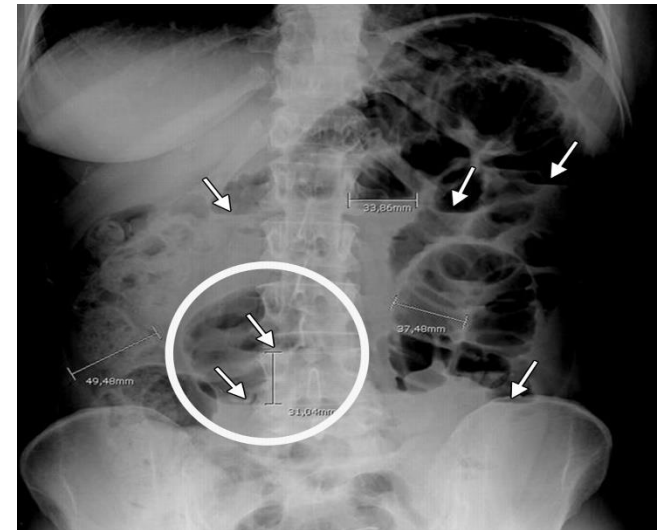
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CA-19-9	55 u/L	0-39

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**Step ladder configuration**

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## Intestinal manifestations

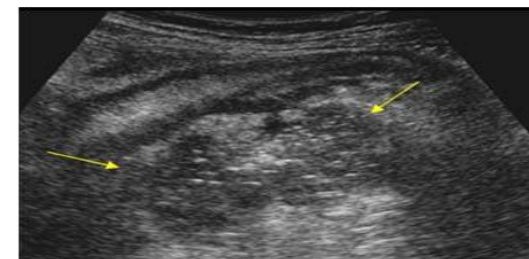
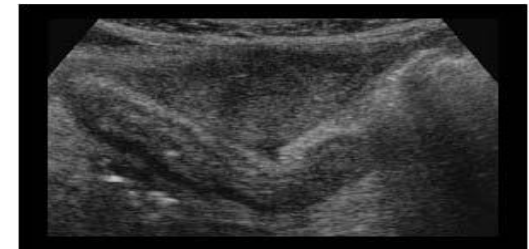
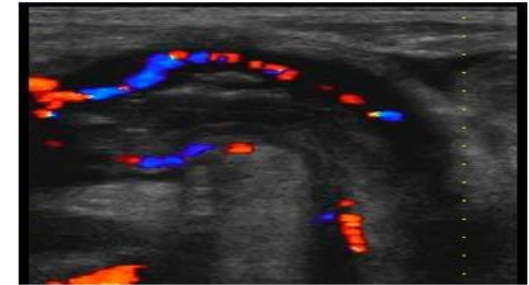
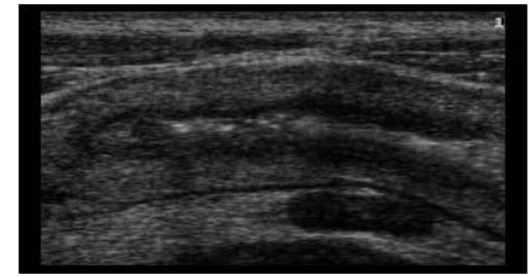
- Mural thickening.
- Mural hypervascularity
- Loss of layering (partial or total).
- Reduced or absent peristalsis of the involved segment.
- Non compressibility of the involved segment.

## Extra-intestinal manifestations

- Mesenteric creeping fat.
- Mesenteric lymphadenopathy.

## Complications

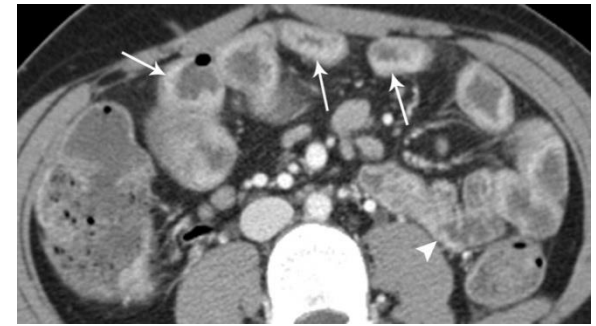
- Obstruction.
- Phlegmon / abscess.
- Perforation.



# CT

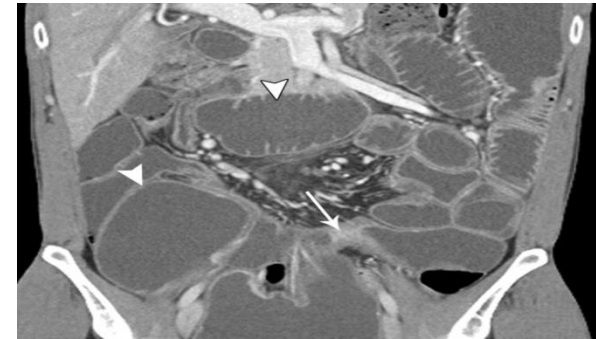
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- Mural thickening.
- Mural hyper-enhancement.
- Mural stratification.
- Stricture.



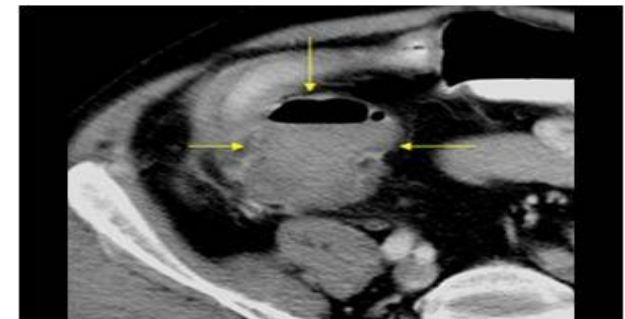
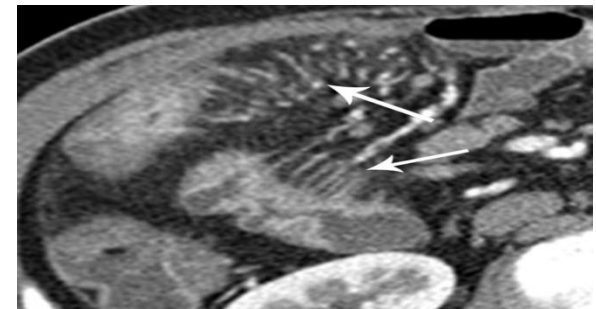
## Extra-intestinal manifestations

- Mesenteric fibrofatty proliferation (creeping fat)
- Mesenteric stranding (hazy fat).
- Mesenteric lymphadenopathy.
- Mesenteric hypervascularity (Comb sign).



## Complications

- Obstruction.
- Phlegmon / Abscess.
- Perforation.
- Fistula.





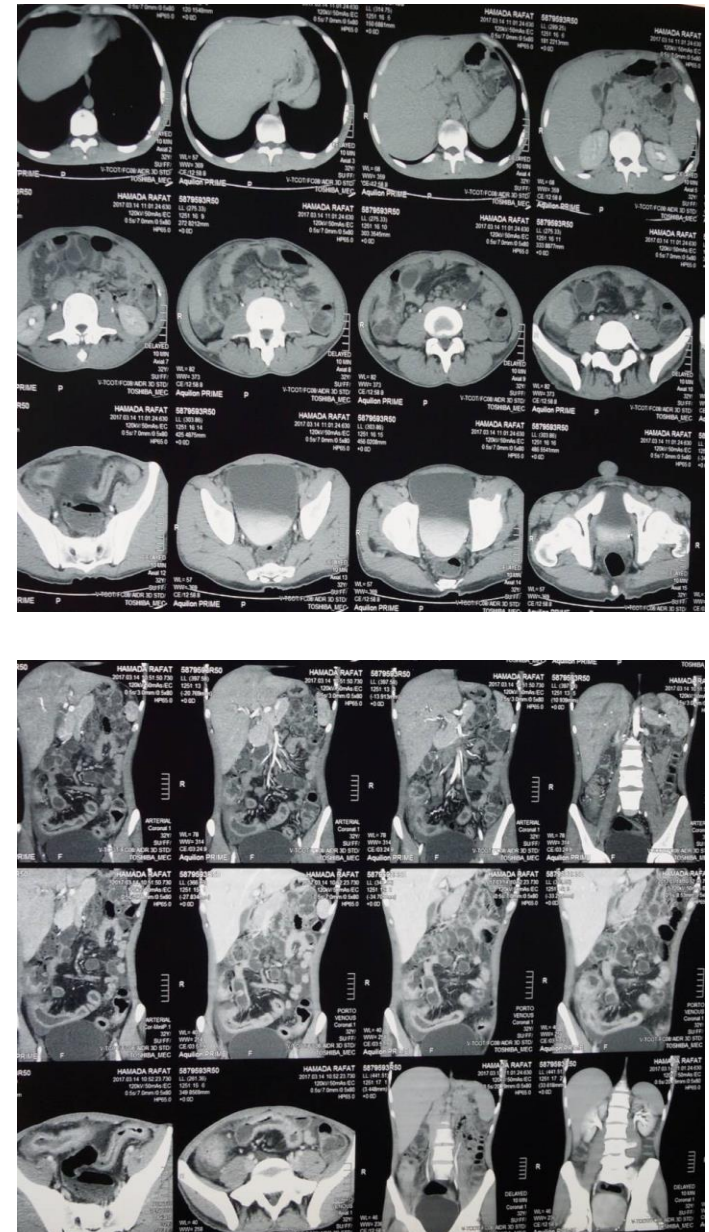
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• LIVER: Average size, with Minimal degree of biliarzeal per fibrosis . No focal lesions or dilated intra-hepatic biliary radi  
 • Normal caliber and patent portal vein ( 10.5 mm ) .  
 • GALL BLADDER: Normal size and shape with normal wa  
 thickness. No stones or biliary mud.  
 • Normal caliber of the common bile duct.  
 • BOTH KIDNEYS: Normal size , shape and echo-pattern  
 back pressure.  
 • SPLEEN: Normal size with uniform echopattern. No f  
 dilated splenic collaterals. Normal caliber of the spler  
 • No pancreatic masses or enlarged para-aortic lymph  
 • No pelvic or abdominal masses.  
 • No ascites.

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Patient Name حماده رافت سيد احمد شلبي النجار

Age on (14/3/2017) سنة 30

Patient No 28608011211392

Date 14/3/2017 02:34:00 PM

### Triphasic CT Abdomen Revealed :-

- \* Diffuse circumferential wall thickening of the cecum and terminal ileum associated with stranding of the surrounding fat planes, it measures about 17 mm in thickness and involving about 20 cm of the terminal ileum.
- \* Another long segment of circumferential wall thickening involving sigmoid colon measures about 10 cm in length and 8 mm in maximum wall thickness.
- \* Thin rim of abdominal free fluid.
- No other significant findings.

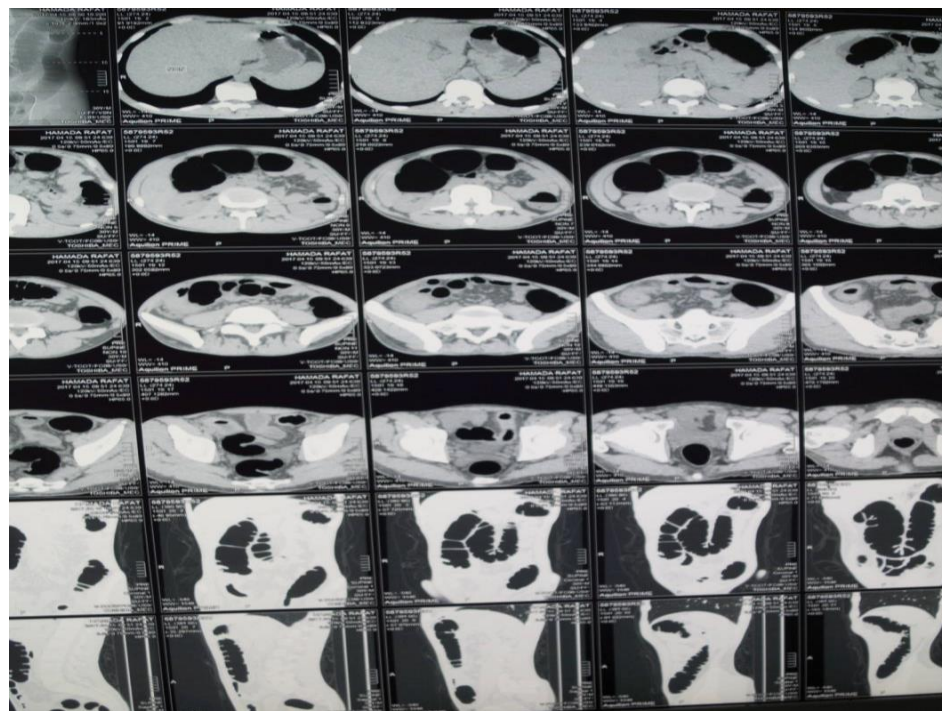
### -CONCLUSION:-

- \* CT findings are impressive of inflammatory bowel disease for endoscopic assessment.

MUCH OBLIGED

Dr.Ahmed Attia

Dr.Mohamed Settein



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أ. صبري الموجي  
م. محمد صبري الموجي  
د. إبراهيم صبري الموجي

Patient name: HAMADA RAAFIAT EL NAGAAR (152964)  
Exam date: 20/2/2016  
Referred by: Prof. Dr. SAYED SALEM.

### FOLLOW UP MULTI-SLICE CT VIRTUAL COLONOSCOPY AND COLONOGRAPHY REVEALED:

Comparing with the previous CT study dated 6 / 11 / 2015,  
The current study revealed

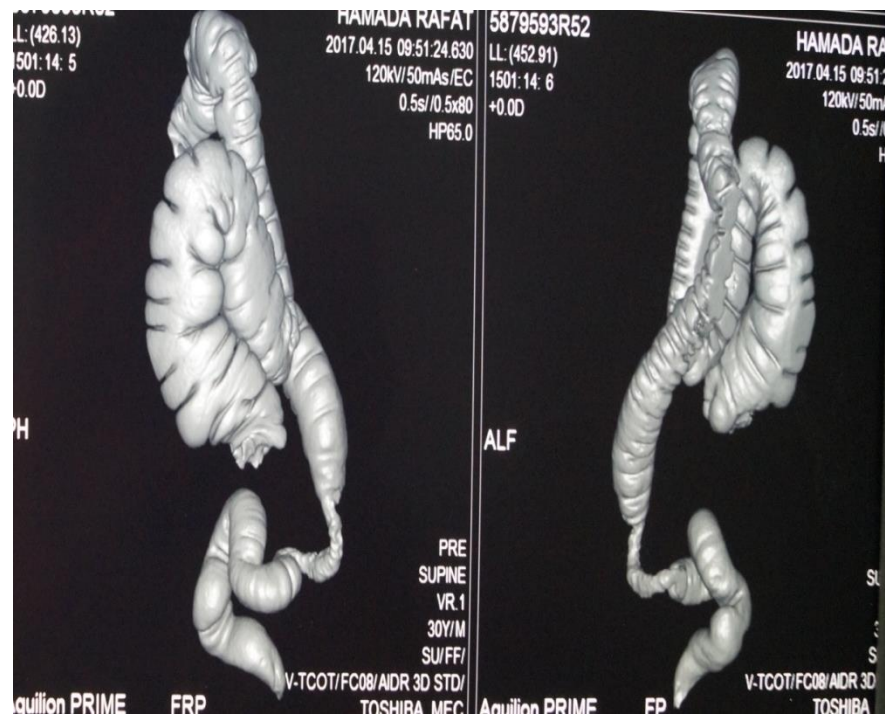
- Progressive course regarding the previously described thickness and narrowing of the terminal ileum and sigmoid colon.
- Mild intra-peritoneal pelvic free fluid.
- Normal configuration and haustral markings of the rectum, descending colon, splenic flexure transverse colon, hepatic flexure, ascending colon and caecum.
- No intra-luminal or extra-luminal masses.
- No colonic neoplastic masses.

### CONCLUSION:

- Progressive course regarding the terminal ileum and sigmoid colon mural thickening and narrowing suggesting inflammatory bowel disease.
- Mild intra-peritoneal pelvic free fluid.
- No detected masses.

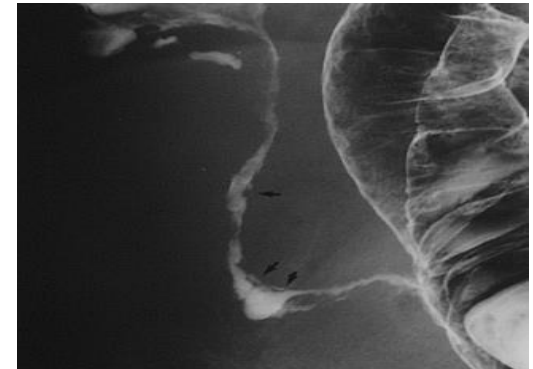
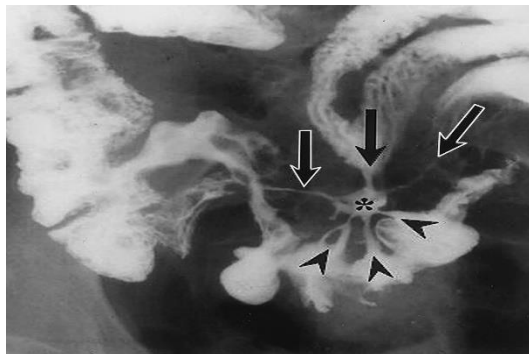
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# Barium studies

- Ulcers.
- Nodular pattern.
- Ulcero-nodular pattern.
- Stricture.
- Straightening of the mesenteric border.
- Sacculation of the antemesenteric border.
- Wide separation.
- Fistula.



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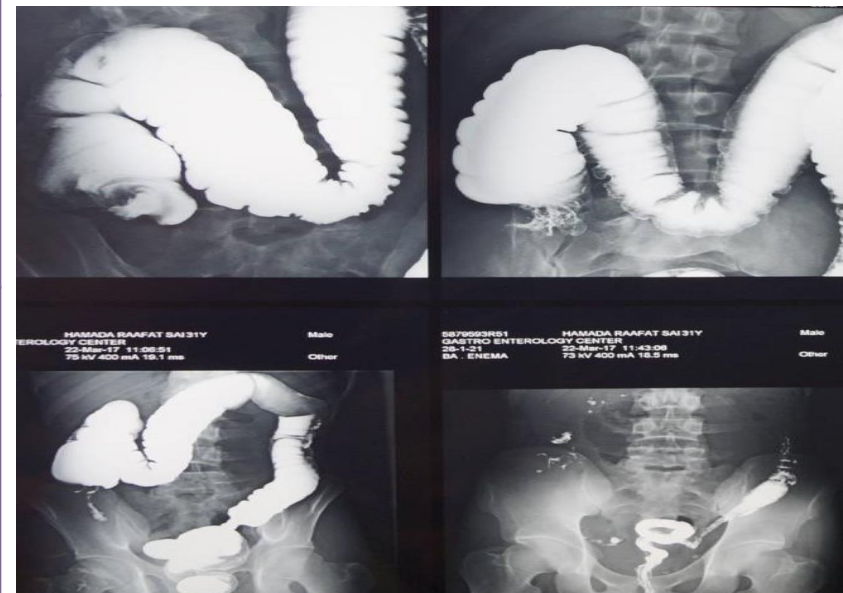
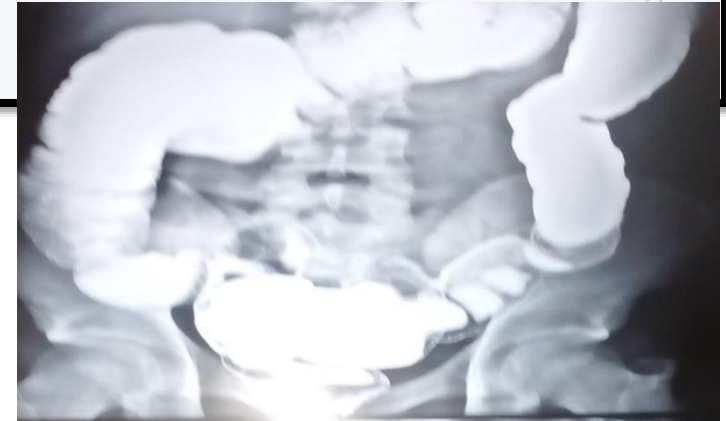
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قسم الأشعة

Patient Name حماده رافت سيد احمد شلبى التجار Age on (22/3/2017) 30 سنة  
Patient No 28608011211392 Date 22/3/2017 01:34:00 PM

**BARIUM ENEMA EXAMINATION Revealed :-**

- \* Along smooth narrow segment is seen is sigmoid colon with few deep ulcerations ( Rose - thorn ulcers ) .
- \* An irregular filling defect is seen is the base of the caecum with luminal narrowing and mucosal disruption .
- \* CT is recommended for more evaluation .



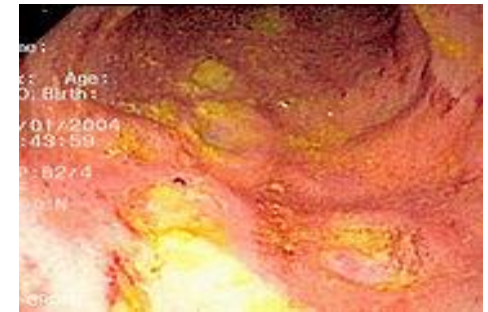
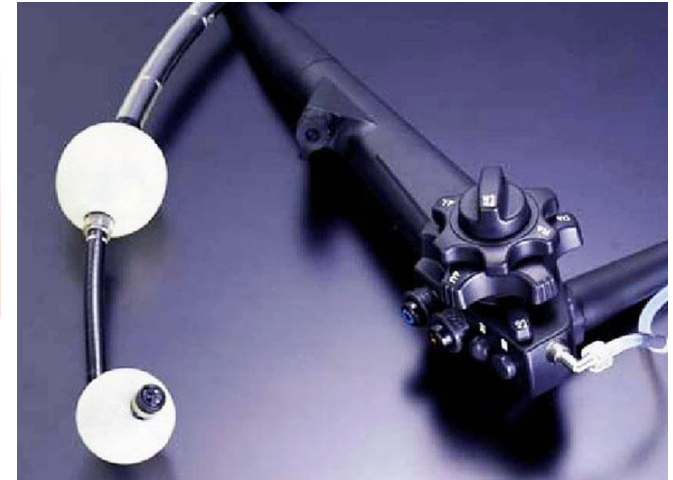
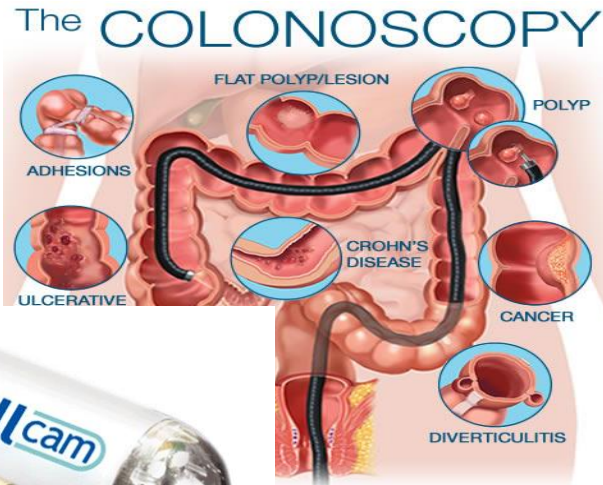
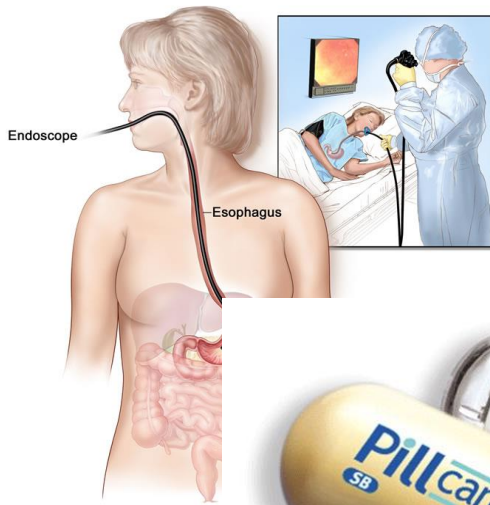


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# Endoscopy



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Plain x-ray abdomen “dilated intestinal loops”	2
Abdominal US	Non significant
Abdominal CT	Suspicious mural thickening
Barium enema	Long smooth narrow segment in sigmoid colon
Upper endoscopy	free
Colonoscopy	Narrow sigmoid impassable to the endoscope in 1 case
Enteroscopy	Not done

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**Upper GI Endoscopy Report**

Name: حماده رافت سيد  
Date: Saturday 01, April 2017  
ID: 28608011211392  
Age:

**Patient :**  
Outpatient

**Indications**  
?? Chron's disease

**Medications**  
Xylocaine spray

**Instrument**  
Pentax

**Procedure Technique**  
Patient was connected to monitoring device and put in left lateral position

**Esophagus**  
Grade II reflux esophagitis

**Cardioesophageal junction**  
Normal competent

**Stomach**  
Fundic inflammatory patches.  
Antral healing ulcer multiple biopsies were taken.

**Pyloric Ring**  
Free

**Duodenum**  
Free

**Recommendation**

**Conclusion**  
Grade II reflux esophagitis  
Antral ulcer  
Fundic gastritis

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**Colonic Endoscopy Report**

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Name: حماده رافت سيد احمد شليبي النجار  
Age: 29 Years  
Date: 16/3/2016 11:24 AM  
ID: 28608011211392  
Sex: ذكر  
Endoscopists: Dr. Mohammed Attia

**Report**

PR : - Free .

EXamination up to the sigmoid colon revealed : -

Narrowing impassable to the endoscope with ulceration and hyperamia of the mucosa .

- Multiple biopsies were taken for HPE .

**Operation**

# Surgical treatment

## Indications :

- Intractability
- Intestinal obstruction
- Intra-abdominal abscess
- Fistulas
- Cancer
- Growth Retardation
- Fulminant Colitis and Toxic Megacolon
- Massive bleeding

Around 80% of Crohn's patients undergo surgery at some stage, and 70% of these require more than one operation during their lifetime. Clinical recurrence following resectional surgery is present in 50% of all cases at 10 years.

# Indications for Surgery in our cases

Definite diagnosis was not made before operation but exploration was done on suspicion because of

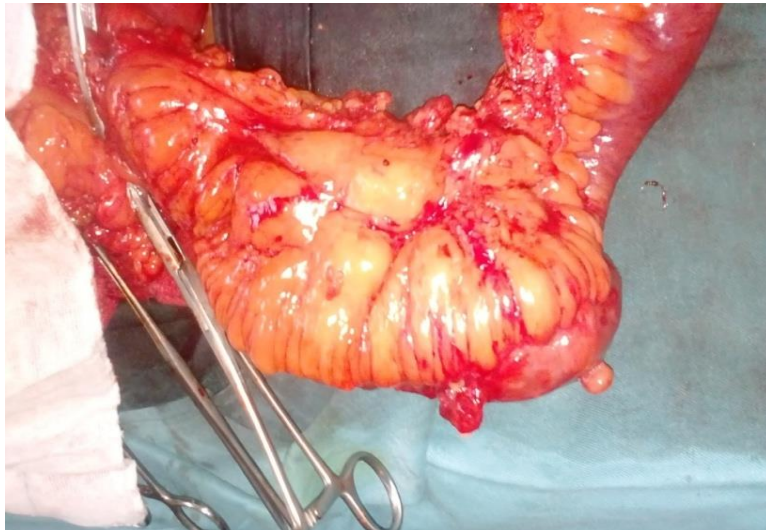
- Diarrhea interfering with daily activity
- Colicky pain interfering with daily activity
- General ill health
- Bleeding per rectum
- Intestinal obstruction

All cases were done by open not laparoscopic approach, 5 cases in a private hospital & 2 cases in GISC.



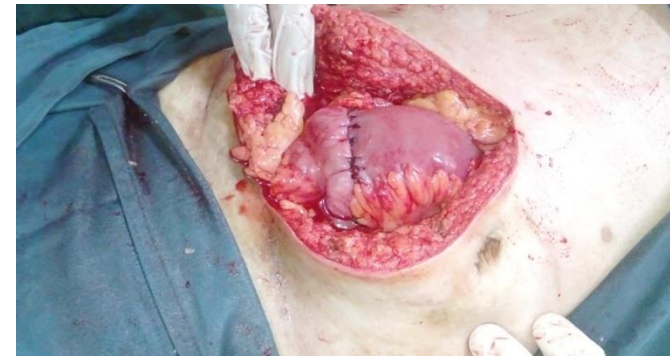
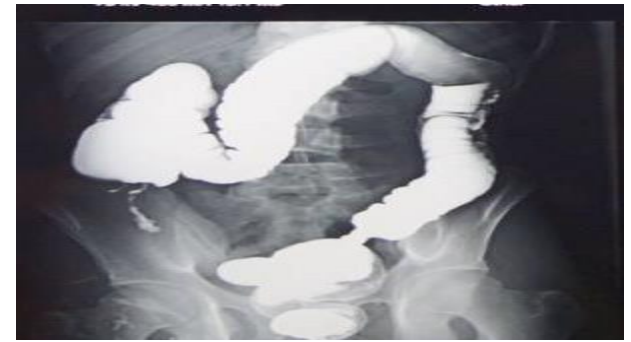
# Disease behaviour at exploration

<b>Non- stricturing , non -penetrating</b>	<b>6</b>
Strictureing	1
penetrating	0
Perianal	0



# Surgical procedures

Limited ileal resection & ileo-ileal anastomosis	2
Terminal ileal resection & ileocaecal anastomosis	4
Ileal resection + sigmoidectomy	1
Stoma needed	NO

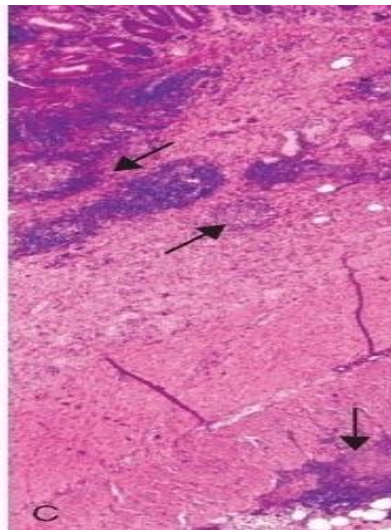
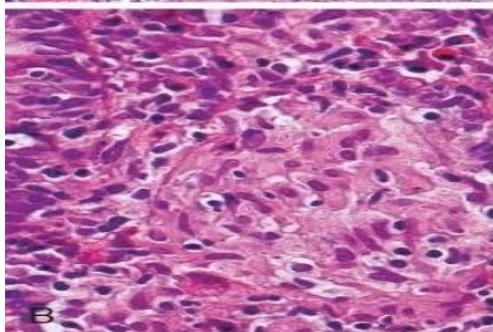
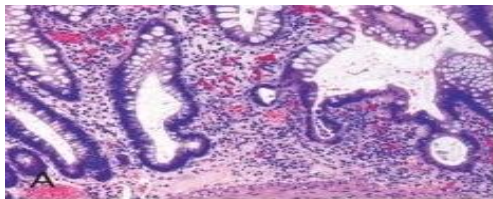



- limited disease-free (2 cm) resection margins are adequate, to conserve bowel length and no increased risk of disease recurrence.
- The anastomoses were constructed with manual sutures in 2 layers



# Postoperative pathology

transmural inflammation	7
Non caseating granuloma	6
fissures	1
oedem & fibrosis	3
LN : follic. hyperplasia+sinus histocytosis	5
Lymphovscul. emboli,perineural invasion	0
Cancer association	1
Safety margin	Free



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Pathology Laboratory				
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Patient Sex	Male	Patient Age		
Pathology, 9/4/2017 09:36 AM, Outpatient clinic				
Pathology Number	865/2017			
Clinical History	Crohn's disease stricture 25 cm from anal verge.			
Gross Appearance	Multiple tissue fragments , totally processed.			
Microscopic Examination	Revealed snips of colonic mucosa. The lamina is the seat of mixed inflammatory cells formed of lymphoplasmacytic infiltrate , neutrophils. Cryptitis and crypt abscess were seen. Tiny ill defined non-caseating epithelioid granulomas are seen.			
Diagnosis	Moderate diffuse active colitis with tiny non caseating epithelioid granulomas. Please correlate with clinical , endoscopic, radiological findings.			
Doctor	Afaf Taha			
Doctor	Khadiga Ali			
Doctor	Ahmed Ali Elsayed			
Doctor				

### Pathology report

Patient name: محمد كامل عبدالرحمن	Age: 55 y	Sex: male
Referred by: د.ا/ محمد الحملي	Date: 24 / 5 / 2017	Code: 0240517
		P. code: 00 colon

#### History:

Patient presented with intestinal obstruction. On exploration, there is spastic segment in the forum.

**Specimen 1:** Rt colon **Specimen 2:** appendix.

For histopathological evaluation.

#### Gross:

1. Specimen consists of intestinal segment About 35 cm in length with narrow areas alternating with wide areas (skip lesion). On cut section, there is mass about 2x1 in the middle of the specimen with hard consistency & grayish white colour. There are (5) dissected regional LNs.

2. Appendectomy specimen: the appendix is 5 cm and mildly thickened.

#### Microscopic Examination:

tubulovillous adenomatous changes in the mucosa with infiltration of the underlying wall down to deep muscle by tumoral proliferation formed of acini and sheets of malignant epithelial cells exhibiting moderate degree of pleomorphism and with frequent mitotic activity. The stroma in between is desmoplastic.

The regional (5) dissected LNs show reactive follicular hyperplasia with sinus histiocytosis.

Sections prepared from both surgical cut ends & appendix are free from tumor tissue.

*To be continued*

There is no lymphovascular emboli or peri-neural invasion.

The nearby intestinal wall shows partially ulcerated mucosa with transmural chronic inflammatory cellular reaction, edema and fibrosis.

2. Sections prepared from the appendix show mild chronic inflammatory changes.

#### Diagnosis:

**Picture of GI adenocarcinoma infiltrating the wall down to the subserosa associated with Crohn's disease.**

**There is reactive follicular hyperplasia with sinus histiocytosis of the 5 dissected LNs. There is no lymphovascular emboli or perineural invasion.**

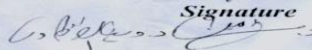
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**(Astler & Collar modification of Dukes' classification; stage B2).**

**TNM staging: T2N0Mx : Stage A at least.**

Thanks for your reference

Signature



# Postoperative complications

Anastomotic leak	<b>0</b>
Wound infection	1
Prolonged ileus	0
Cardiopummonary complications	0
Persistent symptoms after surgery	0
Recurrence	0



# Conclusion & Message

We can not draw a final conclusion from such a limited number of patients

- 1- CD is increasing in Egypt, possibly due to westernization of our life & stress which impairs immunity.
- 2- Patients with CD are always diagnosed late as:  
It is not in mind,  
Radiologist & pathologist are afraid to diagnose with confidence
- 3- Exploratory laparotomy after necessary investigations is still has a role though advanced investigations



A still life photograph featuring a white cylindrical vase on the right side, containing several bright yellow lilies. To the left of the vase, a gnarled, dark brown branch extends diagonally across the frame, adorned with small, light green leaves. The background is a solid, light grey. In the lower-left quadrant, the words "Thank You!" are written in a white, elegant, cursive script.

*Thank You!*