

Inflammatory bowel diseases

Learning objectives

Pathology and pathogenesis-1

Clinical features and assessment of severity-2

Complications-3

Inflammatory bowel disease:

- .Ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease are chronic IBD-
- .Relapsing and remitting course, usually extending over years -
- .Have many similarities-
- .U.c ⇨ involve the colon -
- ".Crohn's disease ⇨ any part of the gut "from mouth to anus -

.The incidence varies between populations -

Crohn's appears to be very rare in the developing world" however"

.its incidence increasing

The incidence of u.c 10-20/ 100.000. prevalence 100- -

.200/100.000

IBD most commonly in young adult with second peak at 7th -

.decade

Pathogenesis

.IBD is multifactorial (environmental trigger + genetic) -

Activation of macrophages, lymphocytes, and -

.polymorphonuclear cells with release of inflammatory mediators

In u.c acute and chronic inflammatory cells invariably involves -

the rectum (proctitis), may spread proximally to involve the

sigmoid colon (proctosigmoiditis) and in a minority the whole colon

is involved (pancolitis). Inflammation is confluent and is more

. severe distally

In long -standing pancolitis ⇨ shortened and pseudopolyps develop “which represent normal or hypertrophied mucosa in areas of atrophy”. The inflammatory process is limited to the mucosa ⇨ (lamina propria and the crypts, cryptitis). Crypt abscess .are typical. Dysplasia may herald the development of colon cancer

:Crohns disease

the sites most commonly involved, in order of frequency are terminal ileum + Rt side of colon, colon alone, terminal ileum alone, ileum and jejunum. The entire wall is involved. Deep ulcer appear as linear fissures, with the Mucosa between them is described as "cobblestone". This deep ulcers may penetrate through the bowel wall to form abscess or fistulae. (these changes .are patchy)

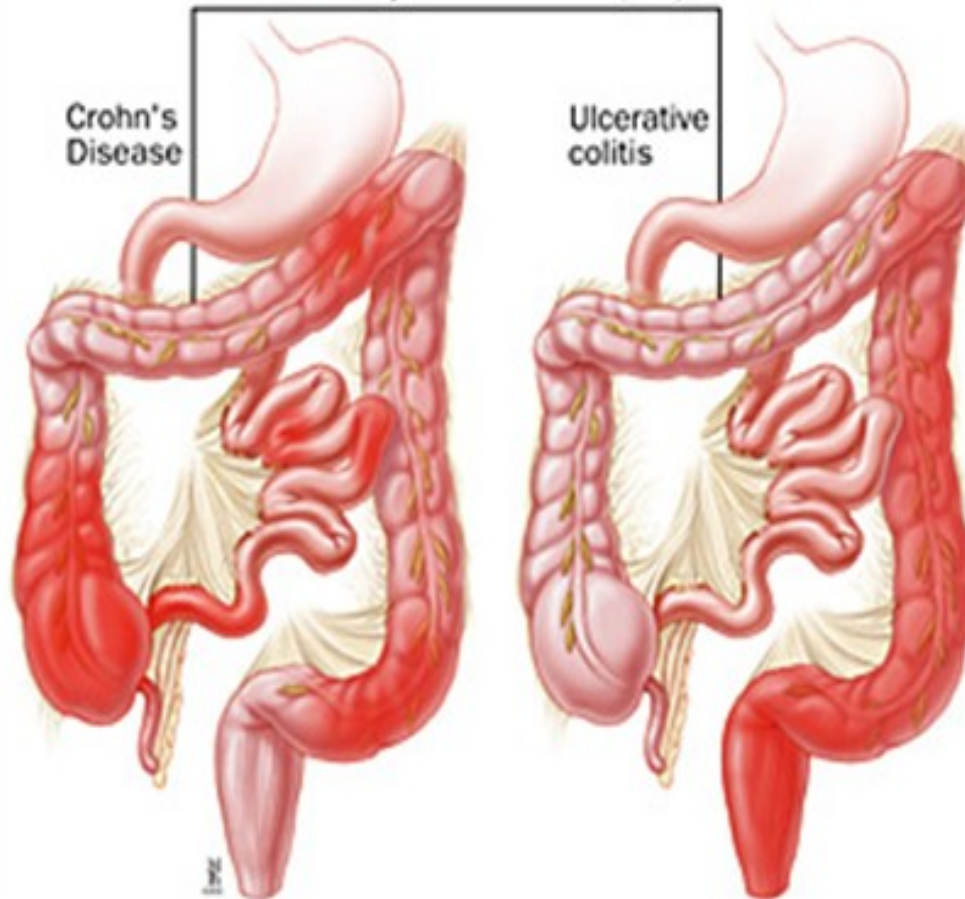
Skip lesion: a small lesion separated from a major area of involvement

Histology, chronic inflammation is seen through all layers of bowel wall. Lymphoid aggregate or microgranulomas are also seen which ". may ulcerate to the mucosa "tiny aphthous-like ulcers

Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)

Crohn's Disease

Ulcerative colitis



C/F: u.c

".Blood diarrhoea "major symptom- 1

.The first attack is usually the most sever- 2

Relapse and remission. However chronic, unremitting- 3

.symptoms may seen

.Provoking factors: emotion, infection, G.I, antibiotics, NSAID- 4

5- Features depend on the site and activity of the disease.

. Proctitis: blood + mucosa ± tenesmus-

some pass fluidy stool or constipated" but no constitutional"

.symptoms

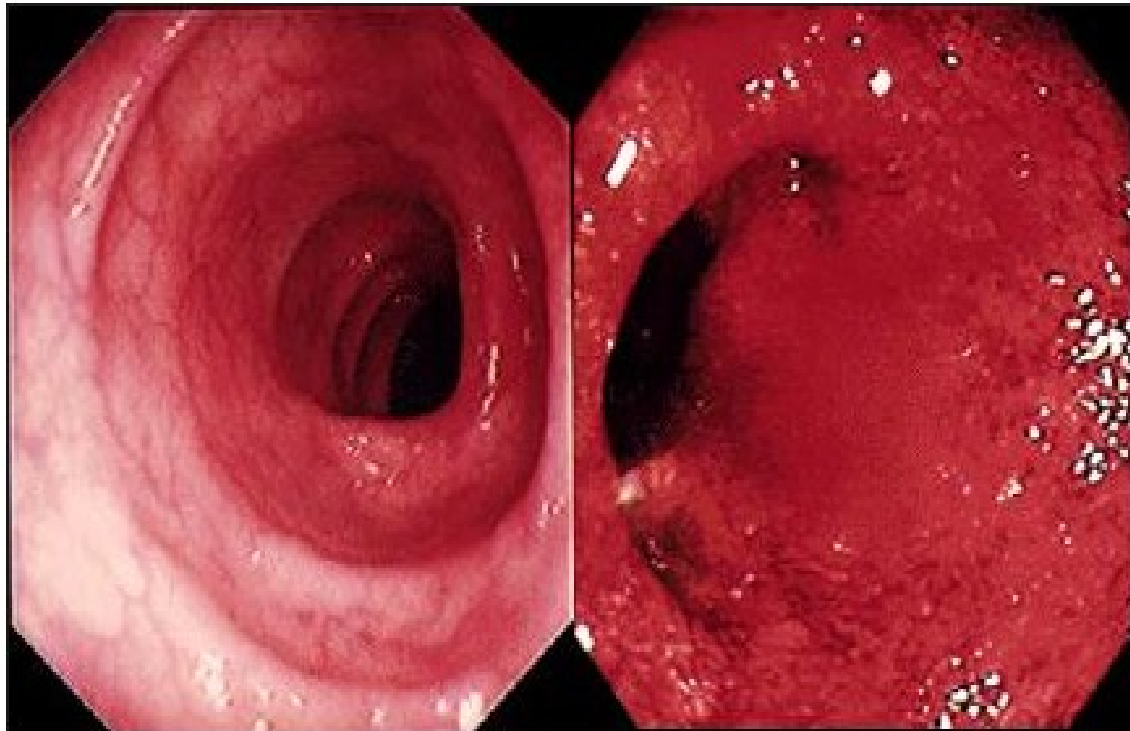
Proctosigmoiditis: bloody diarrhoea +mucose + constitutional -

.symptoms

.Extensive colitis: bloody diarrhoea + mucosa-

Sever condition ⇨ toxic with tachycardia + signs of peritoneal

.inflammation



Healthy Colon

Ulcerative Colon

:Crohn's disease

Pain- 1

Diarrhoea- 2

W.t loss (Ileal Crohn's disease causes abdominal pain due to- 3
subacute intestinal obstruction/ w.t loss (due to avoidance of food,
.malabsorption)

.Abscess formation or acute intestinal obstruction may occur -

.Other presentation similar to u.c -

.Isolated perianal disease (fissures, fistulae) -

.Rectal sparing -

:Severity assessment in u.c

sever	Mild	
6<	4>	Bowel frequency
+ + +	-/+	Blood in stool
400<	200>	Stool volume (g/24h)
90 <	90 >	Pulse
)2/4day(37.8>	normal	Temp
blood in lumen	normal or	Sigmoidoscopy
	granular mucosa	
dilated bowel	normal	Abd. X-ray
100>	normal	Hb
30<	normal	ESR
34>	35<	.Serum alb

	<u>Unrelated</u>	<u>Active</u>
:C	Autoimmune hepatitis. 1	Conjunctivitis, Iritis,. 1
:E)	2. Primary sclerosing cholangitis and cholangiocarcinoma	Episcleritis
	Gallstones. 3	mouth ulcer. 2
	Amyloidosis + oxalate. 4	fatty liver. 3
	calculi	liver abscess/ portal. 4
	5. Sacroiliitis (Ankylosing Spondylitis)	.pyaemia
	.Metabolic bone disease. 6	mesenteric or portal vein. 5
		thrombosis
		.Venous thrombosis 6
		7. Arthralgia
		Erythema nodosum 8 .
		Pyoderma gangrenosum. 9 .

- Intestinal 2

- Life threatening inflammation.

Perforation -

.Acute reamorrhage-

.Fistula and perianal disease -

.Cancer > 8 years -

Investigation:

1- Anaemia, albumin, ESR (exacerbation or abscess), CRP in crohn's disease.

. Bacteriology (exclude superimposed infection)- 2

.Endoscopy- 3

. Barium studies-4

Other (x-ray)-5

Management: Aim

- 1-Treat acute attacks.
- .Prevent relapses- 2
- .Detect carcinoma at an early stage- 3
- . Select patients for surgery- 4

- aminosalicylates (Mesalazine, Olsalazine, sulfasalazine, balsalazine).

Corticosteroids (Prednisolone, H.C, budesonide) -

Thiopurines (Azathioprine) -

.Methotrexate -

Ciclosporin -

.Infliximab -

.Antibiotics -

Irritable bowel syndrome

- Learning objectives •
- Epidemiology and aetiology-1 •
- Clinical presentations-2 •
- Approach to diagnosis and differential-3 •
- diagnosis
- Management-4 •

Irritable Bowel Syndrome

"absence of structural pathology"

.Affect 20% of population- 1

.Young women 2-3 times than men- 2

Overlap with (D.Dx): non-ulcer dyspepsia, chronic fatigue- 3

.syndrome, dysmenorrhoea and urinary frequency

:Aetiology

Psychosocial factors: most patient don't have psychological- 1

.problems

.Altered G.I motility- 2

.Abnormal visceral perception- 3

.Luminal factors (lactose and wheat)- 4

:C/F

- .Colicky or cramping lower abdominal pain- 1
- .Bloating- 2
- .Variable bowel habit- 3
- .Mucos is common but rectal bleeding does not occur- 4
- .No weight loss- 5
- .No constitutional symptoms- 6
- .Physical exam reveal no abnormality-7

∴- Dx

Full blood count + ESR - 1

.Sigmoidoscopy done routinely- 2

:D.Dx of predominant diarrhoea IBS

- .microscopic colitis. 1
- .lactose intolerance. 2
- .bile acid malabsorption. 3
- .celiac disease. 4
- .thyrotoxicosis. 5
- .parasitic infection. 6

:Management

.Reassure the patient- 1

Elimination diets are generally unhelpful but up to 20% benefit- 2
from a wheat- free diet, lactose exclusion, excess intake of
.caffeine

.Amitriptyline 10-25mg/ night- 3

.5HT4 agonists- 4