

# Surgery for Finals

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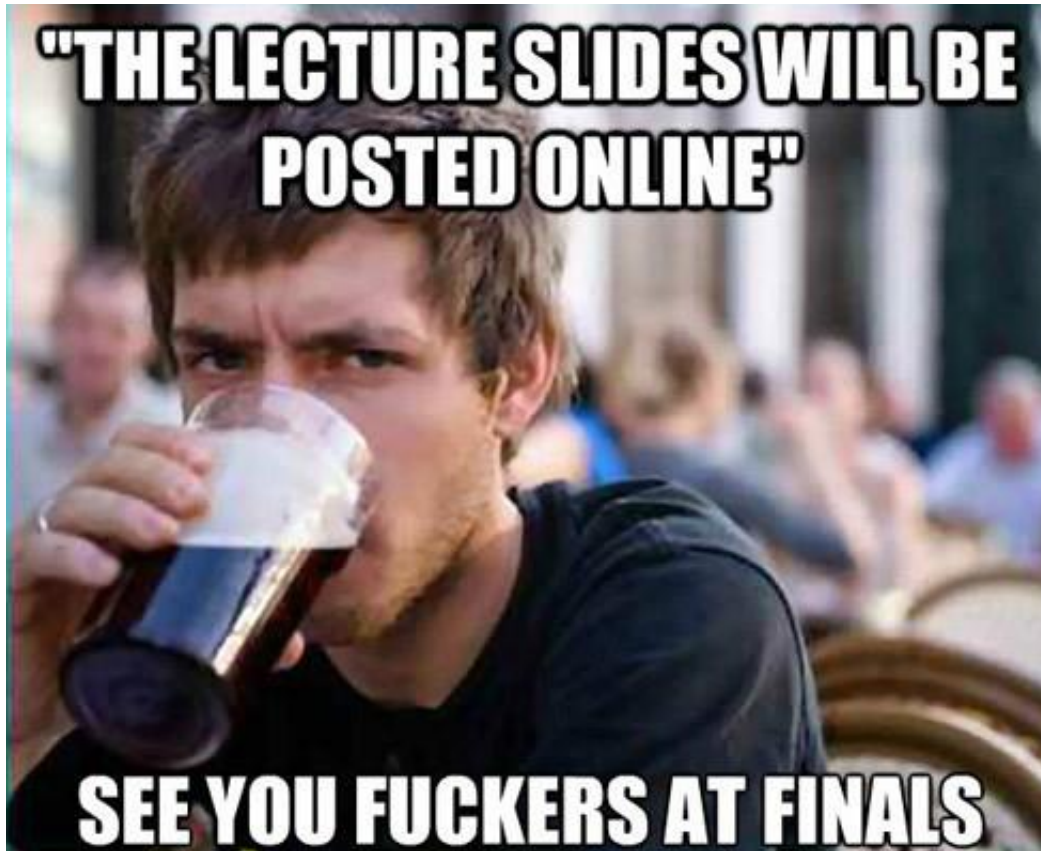


How is education supposed to  
make me feel smarter?  
Besides, every time I learn  
something new, it pushes  
some old stuff out of my  
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and I forgot how to drive?

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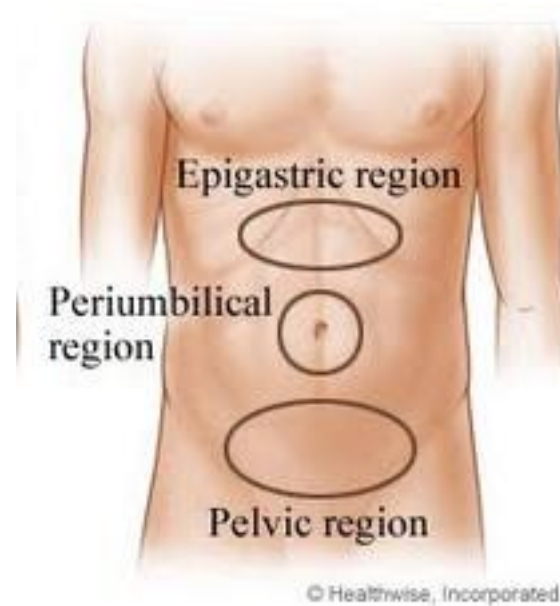
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# The Acute Abdomen



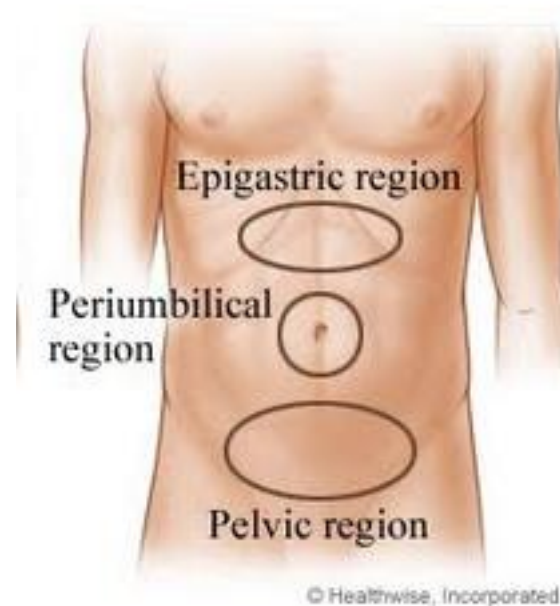
# The History

- Site
  - Embryology



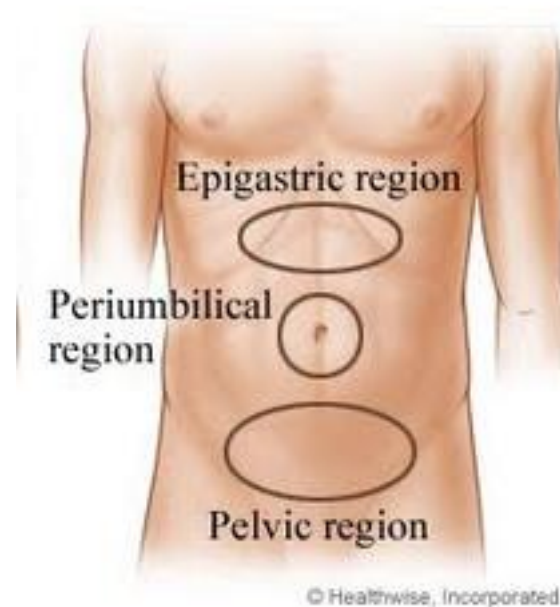
# The History

- Site
  - Embryology
    - Foregut
      - Stomach, D1-D2, GB, liver, pancreas
    - Midgut
      - D2 to mid-transverse colon
    - Hindgut
      - Mid transverse colon to rectum



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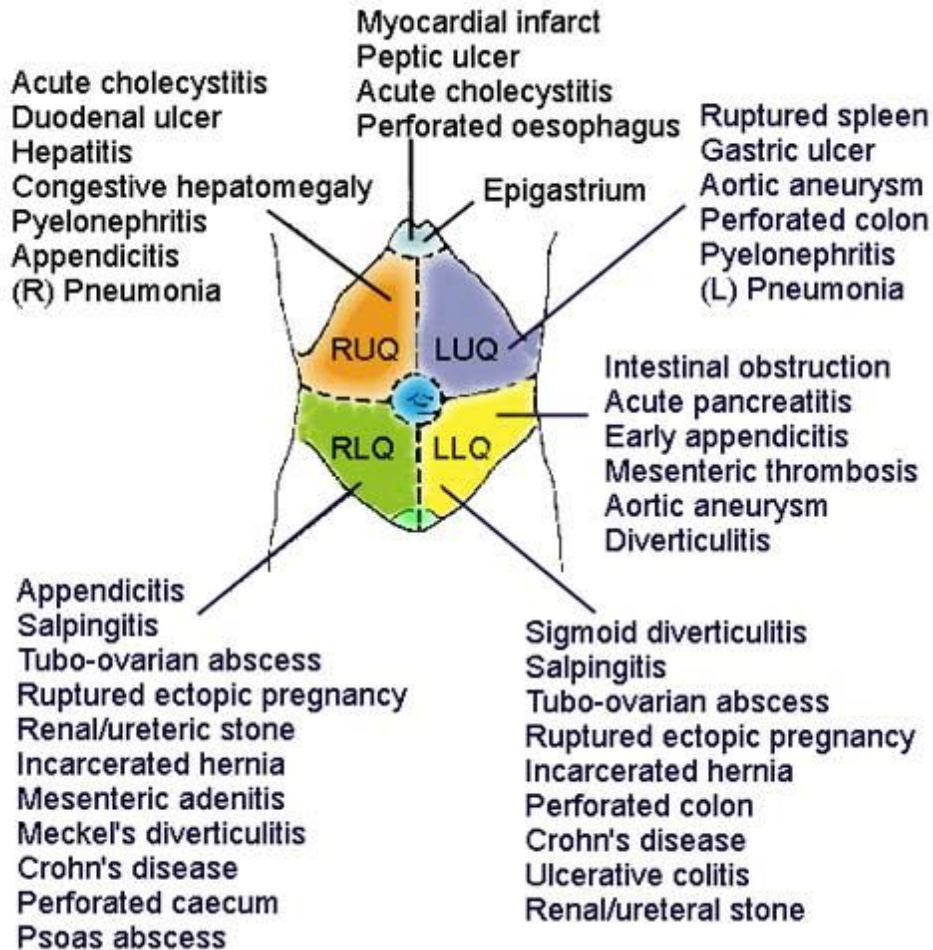
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  - Embryology
  - Visceral vs Parietal



# The History

- Site

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# The History

- Onset
  - Sudden – think of perforation/embolus
  - Inflammatory – more gradual



# The History

- Character
  - Visceral vs parietal
  - Constant → think inflammatory
  - Intermittent → think mechanical
    - **Colic ≈ obstruction of a hollow viscus**



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**BOWEL  
URETERS  
BILIARY TREE  
(UTERUS/FALLOPIAN TUBES)**



# The History

- Radiation
  - Back – retroperitoneum
  - Shoulder tip – diaphragm
  - Loin to groin – renal tract/aorta



# The History

- Associated features
  - ‘Abdominal pain in isolation rarely indicates severe pathology...’
  - Appetite
  - Vomiting
  - Bowel habit
  - Urinary
  - Gynae
    - LMP



# The History

- **Timing/Duration**



# The History

- Exacerbating/relieving
  - MOVEMENT
  - Position
  - Morphine...



# The History

- Severity....
  - Trend can be useful
- **Same pain before???**





# The Acute Abdomen - History

- Inflammatory vs mechanical
- Associated features
- Previous episodes
- RISK FACTORS



# The Acute Abdomen - History

- Per
- Ass
- Pre
- RIS





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# Case 1

- 44yr Male
- PC: Abdominal pain
- HPC:
  - Acute onset of epigastric and periumbilical pain
  - Associated sweating, mild breathlessness and vomiting



# The Case

- Sudden onset circa 3am
- Constant
- Non radiating
- Worse on movement
- No previous episodes



# The Case

- PMH
  - T2DM
  - HTN
- No surgical history
- DH
  - Antihypertensive
  - NKDA



# The Case

- PMH
  - T2DM
  - HTN
- No surgical history
- DH
  - Antihypertensive
  - NKDA
  - OTC Ibuprofen for back pain



# The Case

- **SH**
  - Smokes 10/day
  - Not much booze
  - Lorry driver





# Examination



# Examination

- **ABCDE...**



# Examination

- **A**
  - Can they talk?



# Examination

- **A**
  - Not talking?
  - Stridor



# Examination

- **A**
- **B**
  - **RESPIRATORY RATE**
  - **Saturation**
  - **(Auscultation)**



# Examination

- **A**
- **B**
- **C**
  - HR
  - BP
  - Volume status
  - PERFUSION



# Examination

- A
- B
- C
  - PERFUSION



# Examination

- **A**

- **B**

- **C**

  - **PERFUSION**

Skin

Kidneys

CNS





# Examination

- **A**

- **B**

- **C**

– **PERFUSION**

Skin

**CRT**

Kidneys

**Urine output**

CNS

**GCS**

**Blood gas**



# Examination

- **A**
- **B**
- **C**
- **D**
  - GCS/AVPU
  - BM



# Examination

- **A**
- **B**
- **C**
- **D**
- **E**
  - **Abdomen!**



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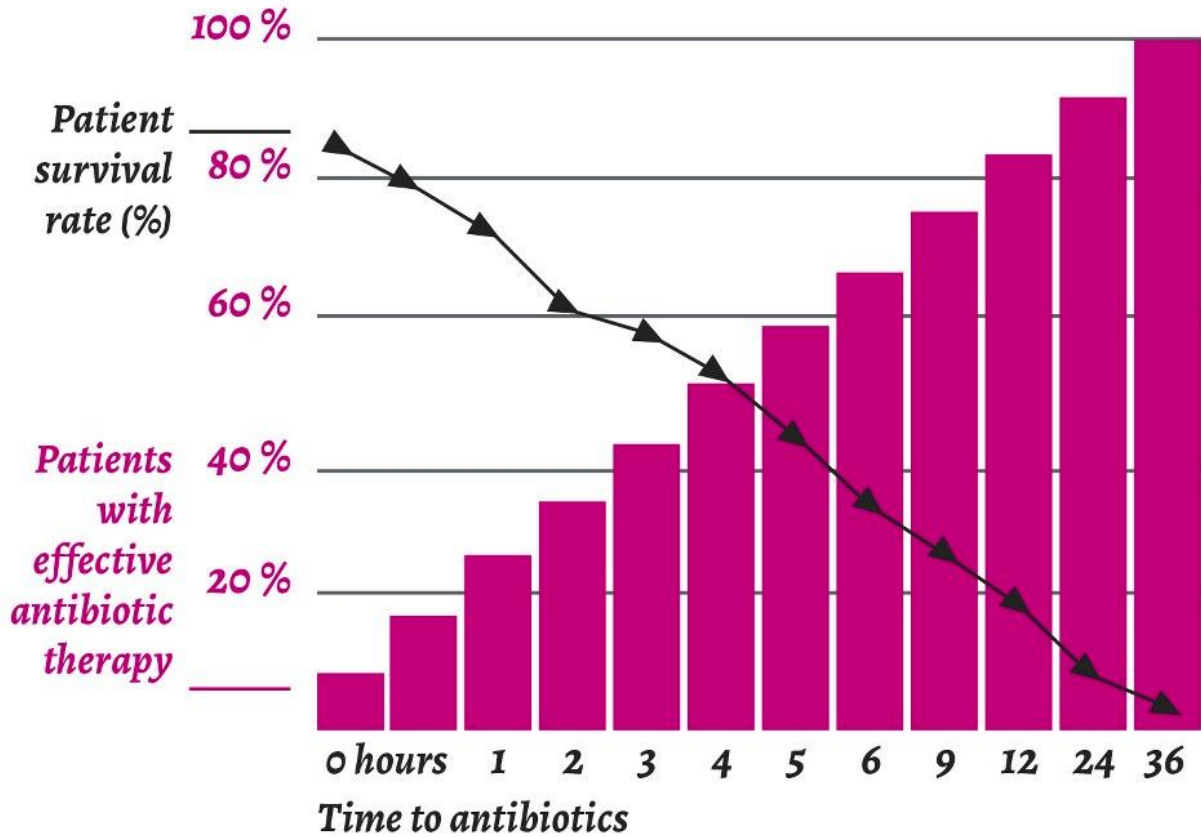
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- Sepsis
- Severe Sepsis
- Septic shock



# A quick aside...

- SIRS
  - HR >90
  - RR >20
  - Temp >38 or <36
  - WCC >12 or <4
- Sepsis
  - SIRS + infection
- Severe Sepsis
  - Sepsis + organ dysfunction
- Septic shock
  - Sepsis + hypotension (despite fluid)





# Abdominal Examination – for the OSCE

- General inspection
- Don't say clubbing
- Look for scars
- Don't hurt the patient...
- Feel for masses/organomegaly carefully



Pseudocyst

Liver

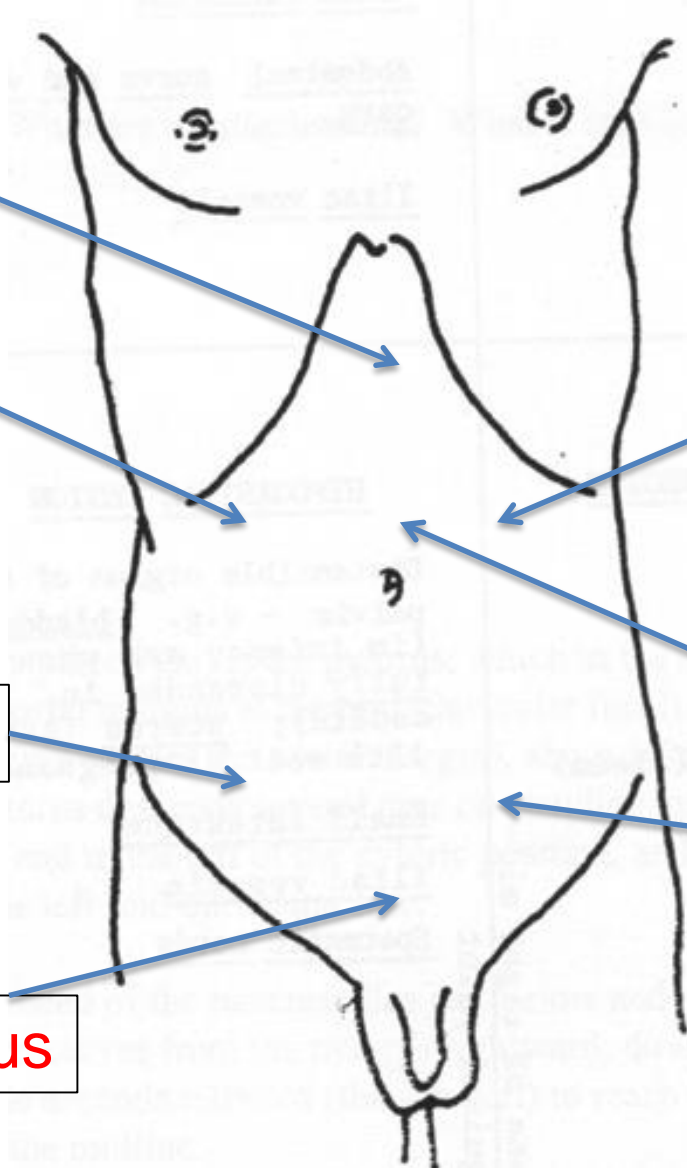
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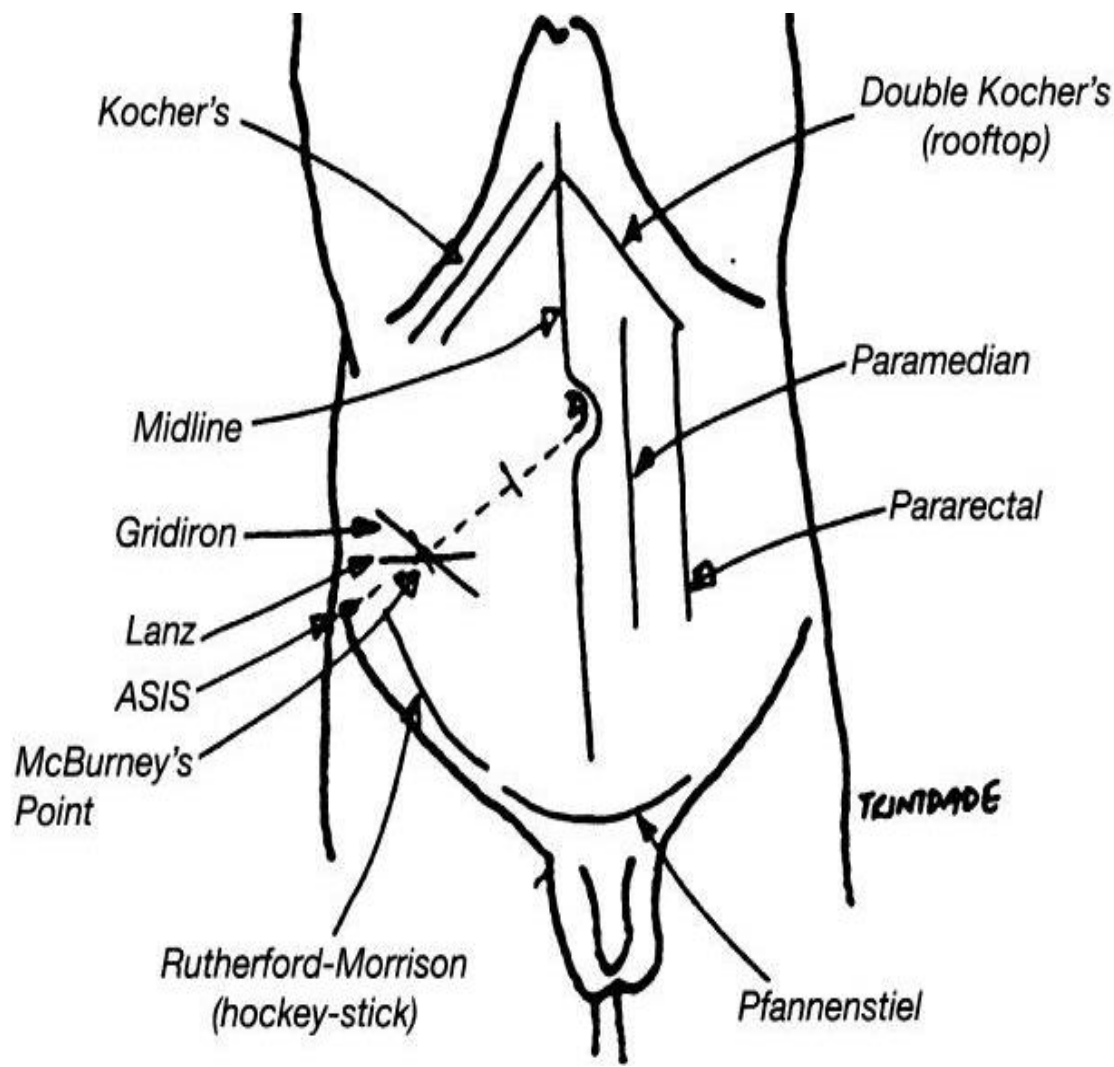
Renal transplant

Ovarian Cyst

Bladder/uterus







# The Acute Abdomen

- General examination
- Peritoneal stretch
  - Movement
  - Coughing
  - ‘hop test’
- Percuss first
- Palpation
  - Guarding
  - Rigidity
- Bowel sounds



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**Is the patient peritonitic?**



Anything else?



# Anything else?

- Hernial orifices
- External genitalia
- PR



# The Case

- A
  - SM
- B
  - RR 24/min
  - SaO<sub>2</sub> 95%
- C
  - CRT 2secs
  - HR 110/min
  - BP 160/90
- D
  - Alert
- E
  - T 37.4
  - Abdomen
    - Tender epigastrium and RUQ
    - Guarding
    - Percussion tenderness



Thoughts?





“Off hand, I'd say you're suffering from an arrow through your head, but just to play it safe, I'm ordering a bunch of tests.”

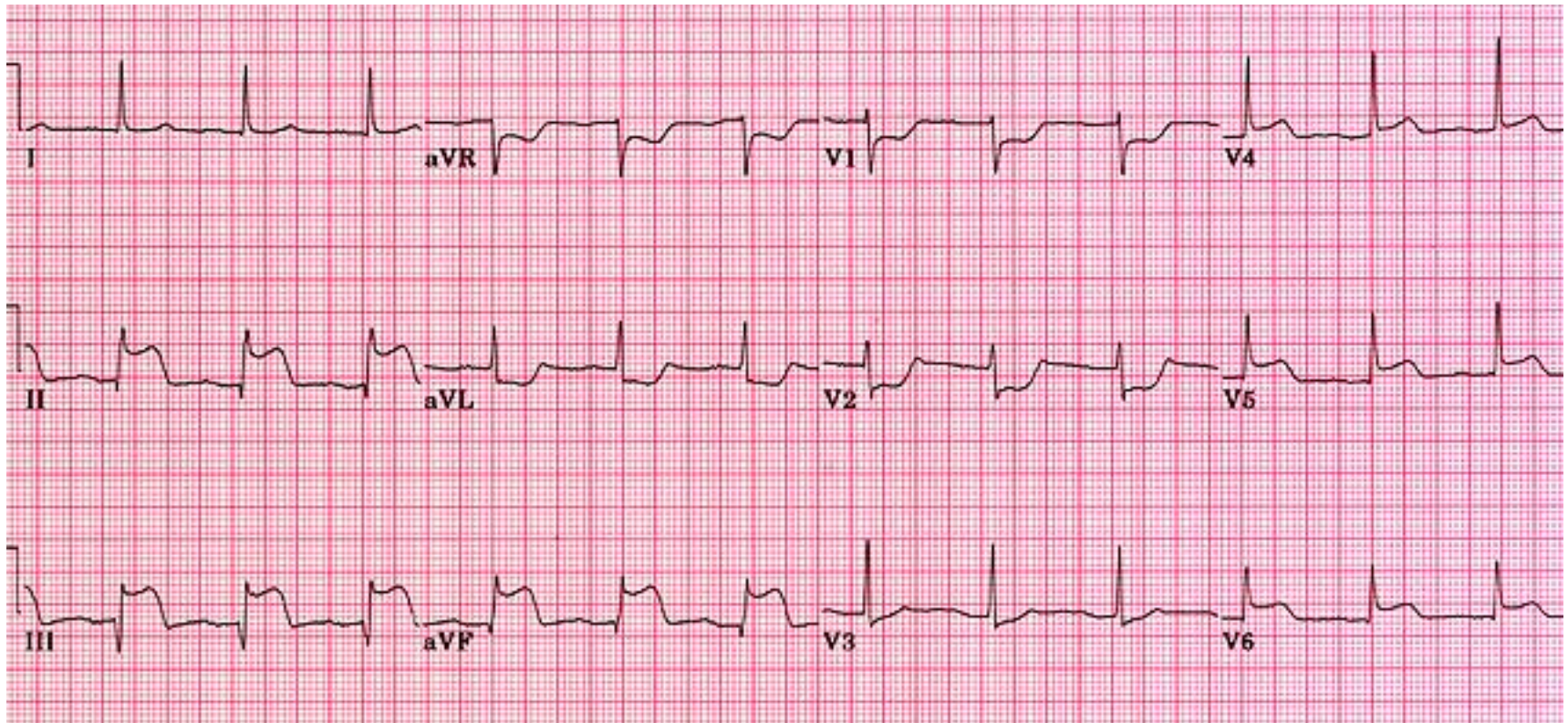
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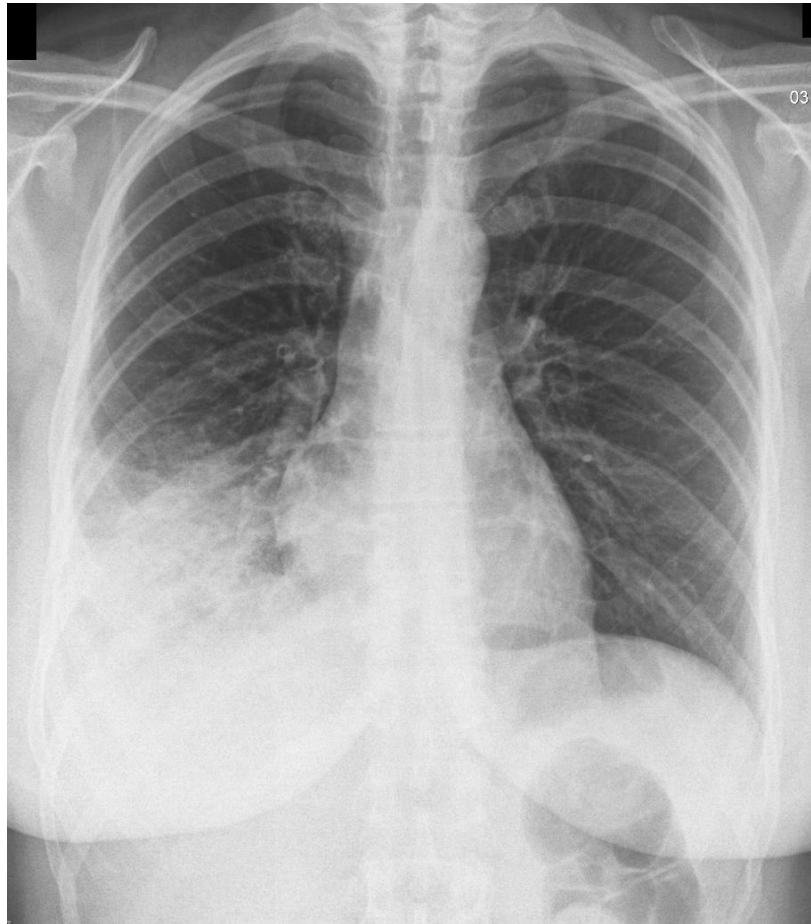


# Investigations

- Bloods
- Imaging
- Other







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# Think about 'non-surgical' causes



## FACEPALM

Because expressing how dumb that was in words just doesn't work.

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# 'Medical' causes of the acute abdomen

- Epigastric pain - Acute MI
- RUQ/LUQ – LRTI
- Suprapubic/loin – UTI
  
- Gastroenteritis
- DKA
- etc etc



# Investigations

- Bloods
  - ABG
  - FBC
  - U+E
  - (LFT)
  - Amylase
  - (CRP)
  - Glucose
  - Clotting
  - G+S
- Imaging
  - Erect CXR
  - USS Abdo
  - CT
- Other
  - ECG
  - (Urinalysis)



# Investigations

- Bloods

- WCC 17.6

- Hb 13.9

- Plts 249

- Ur 9.6

- Cr 119

- Na 134

- K 4.5

- Bili 19

- ALT 24

- ALP 124

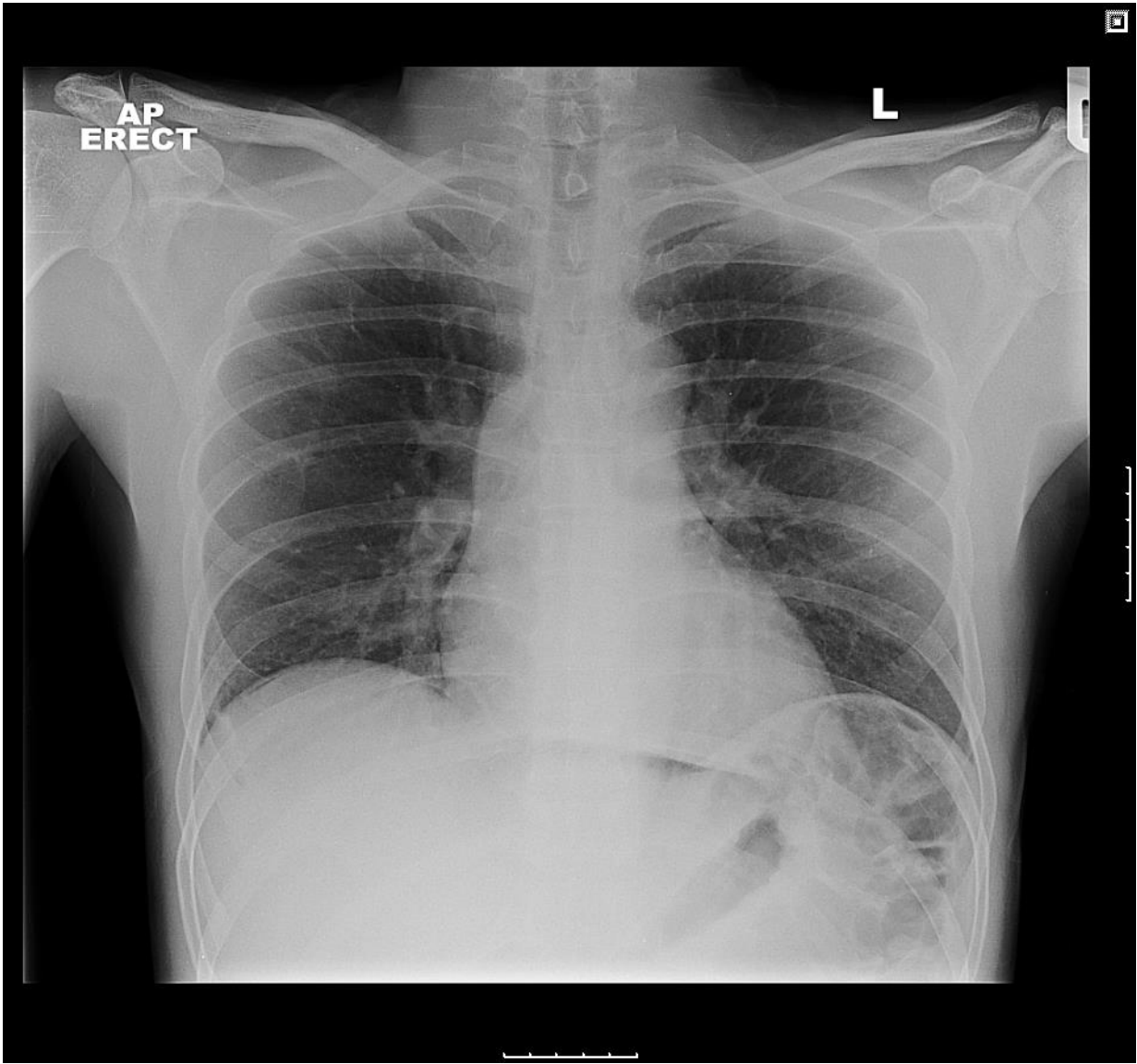
- Amy 190

- CRP 175

- Clotting N

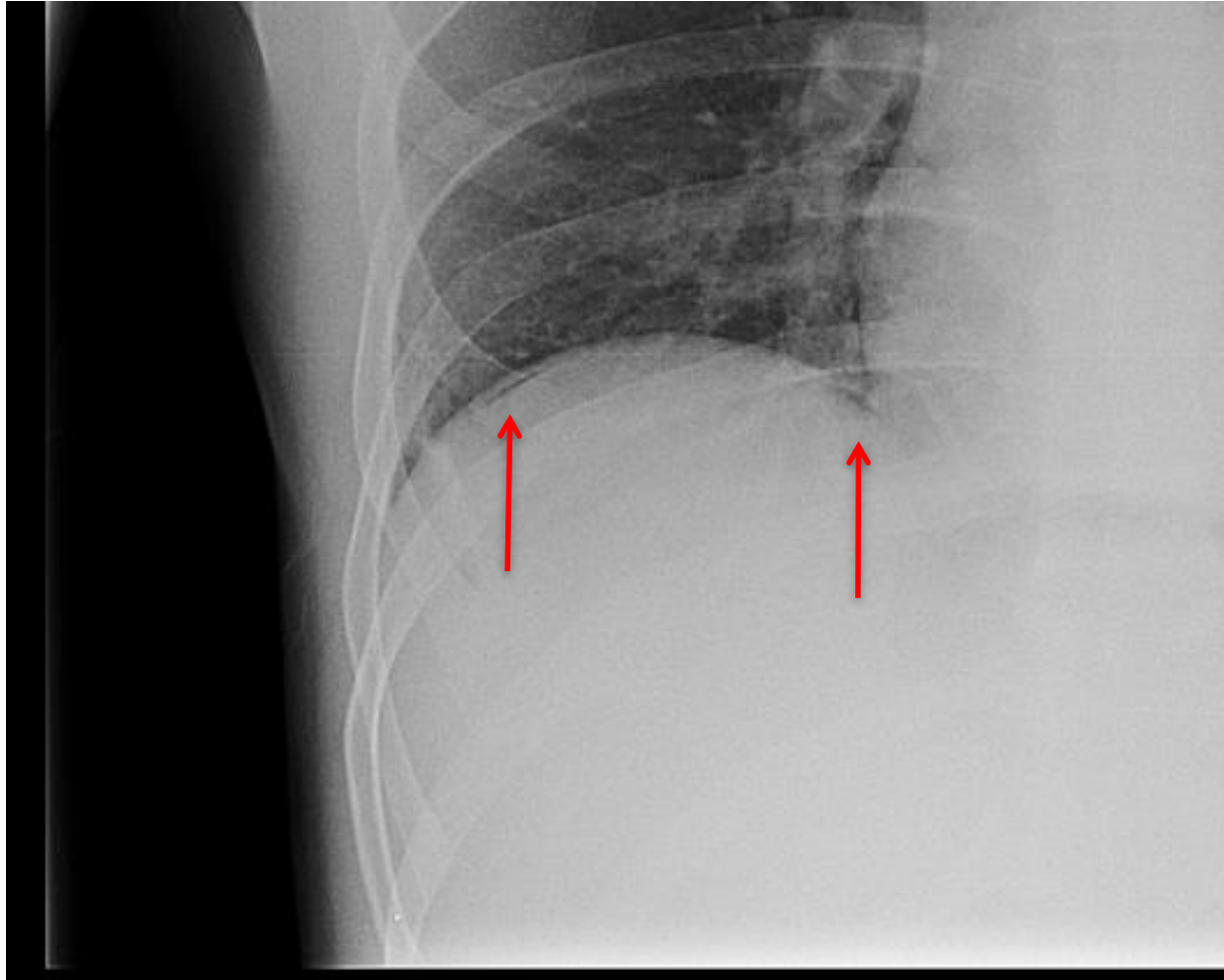






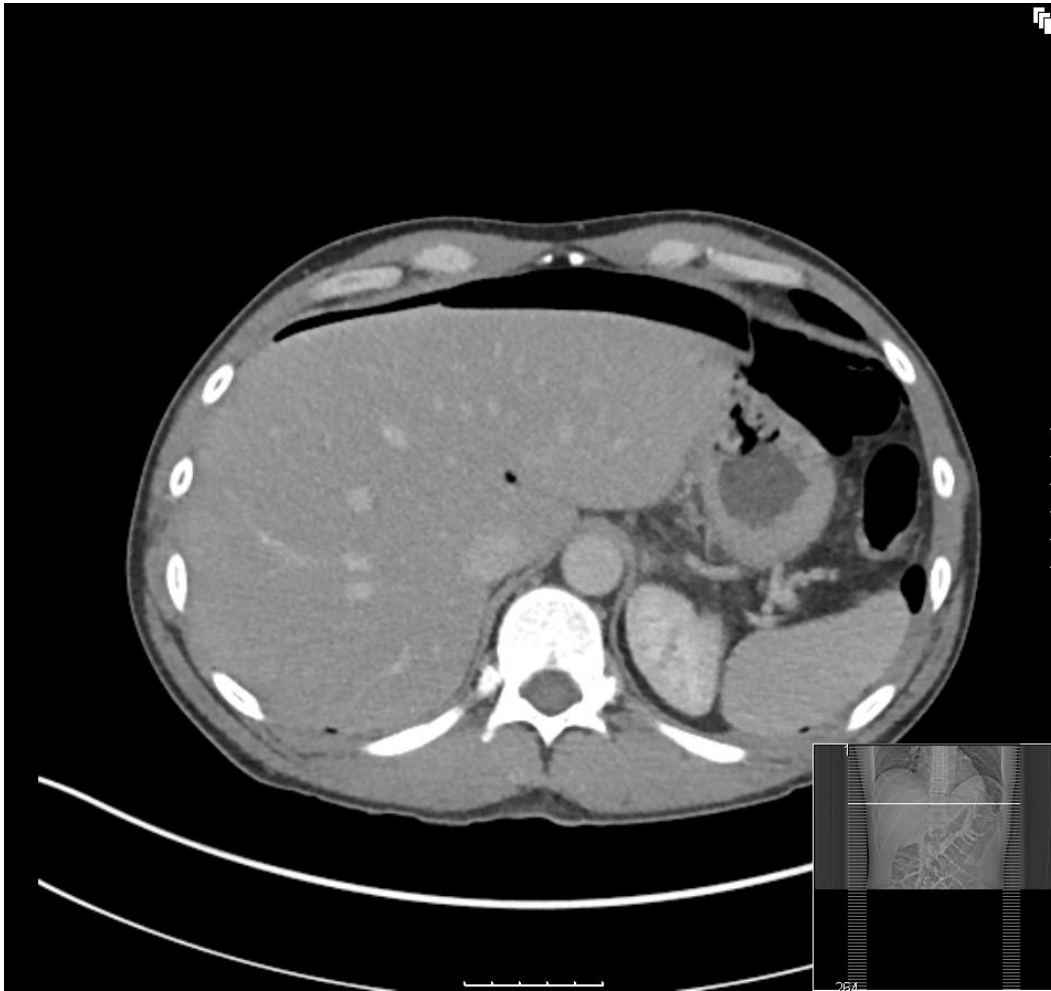
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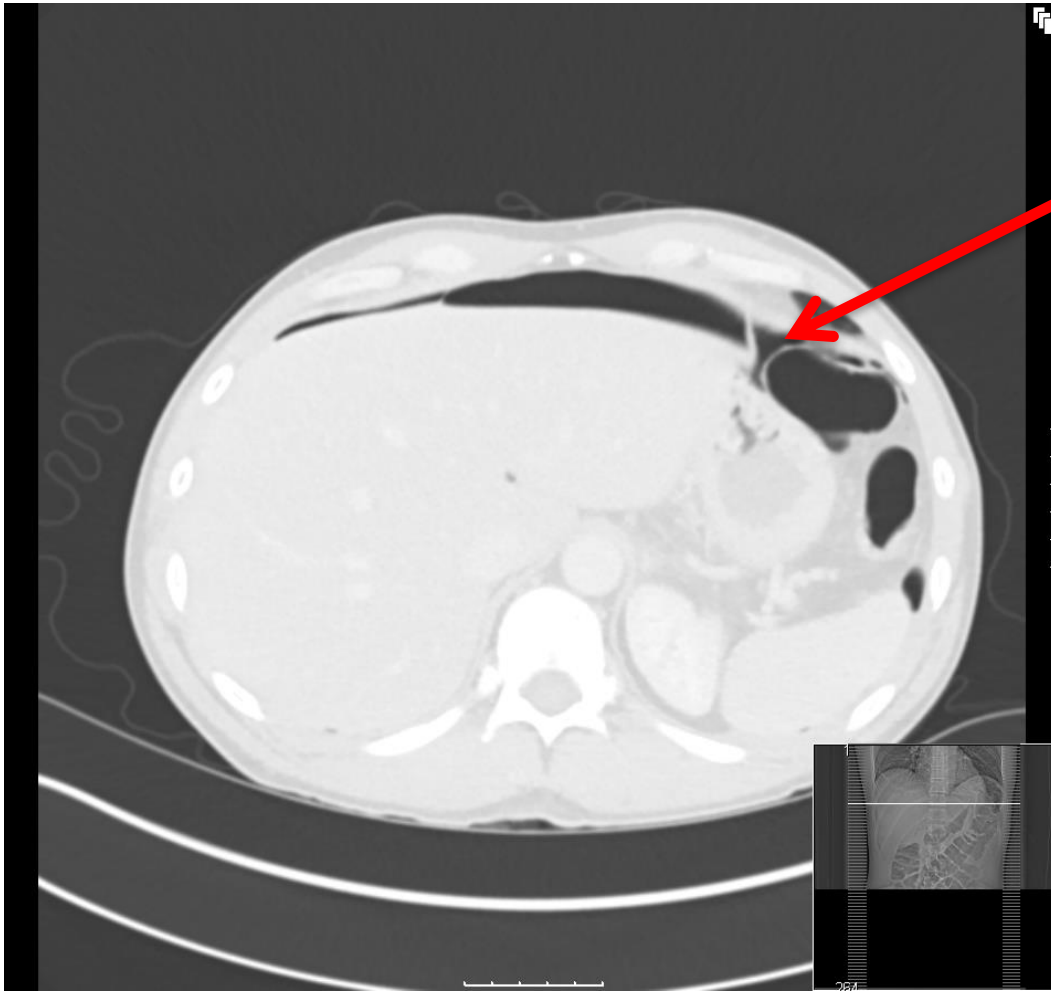




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# What now?

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- B
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- C
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  - HR 110/min
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# Management

- ABCDE
- Oxygen...



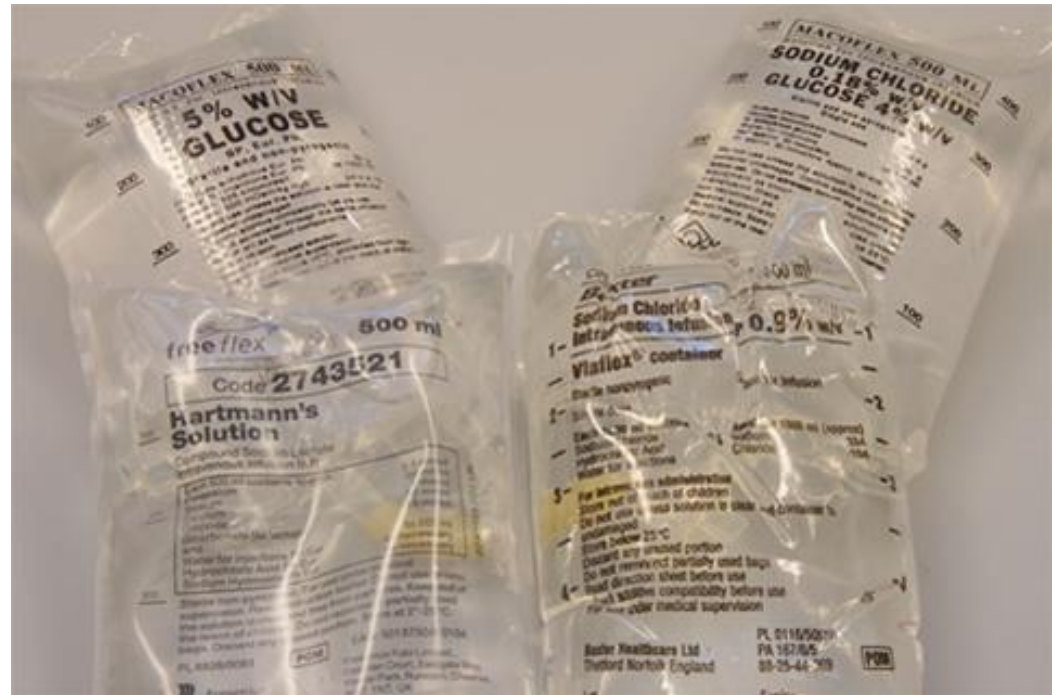
# Management

- ABCDE
- Oxygen...
- IV access



# Management

- ABCDE
- Oxygen...
- IV access
- IV Fluid





# Management

- ABCDE
- Oxygen...
- IV access
- IV Fluid
- Antibiotics



# Management

- ABCDE
- Oxygen...
- IV access
- IV Fluid
- Antibiotics
- VTE prophylaxis
- Symptoms
  - Analgesia
  - Anti-emetics



# Perforated Viscus

Upper GI

Lower GI



# Perforated Viscus

## Upper GI

- Peptic (DU/GU)
- Bad
- Sick
  
- IV Fluid
- PPI
- Antibiotics
- Urgent surgery

## Lower GI

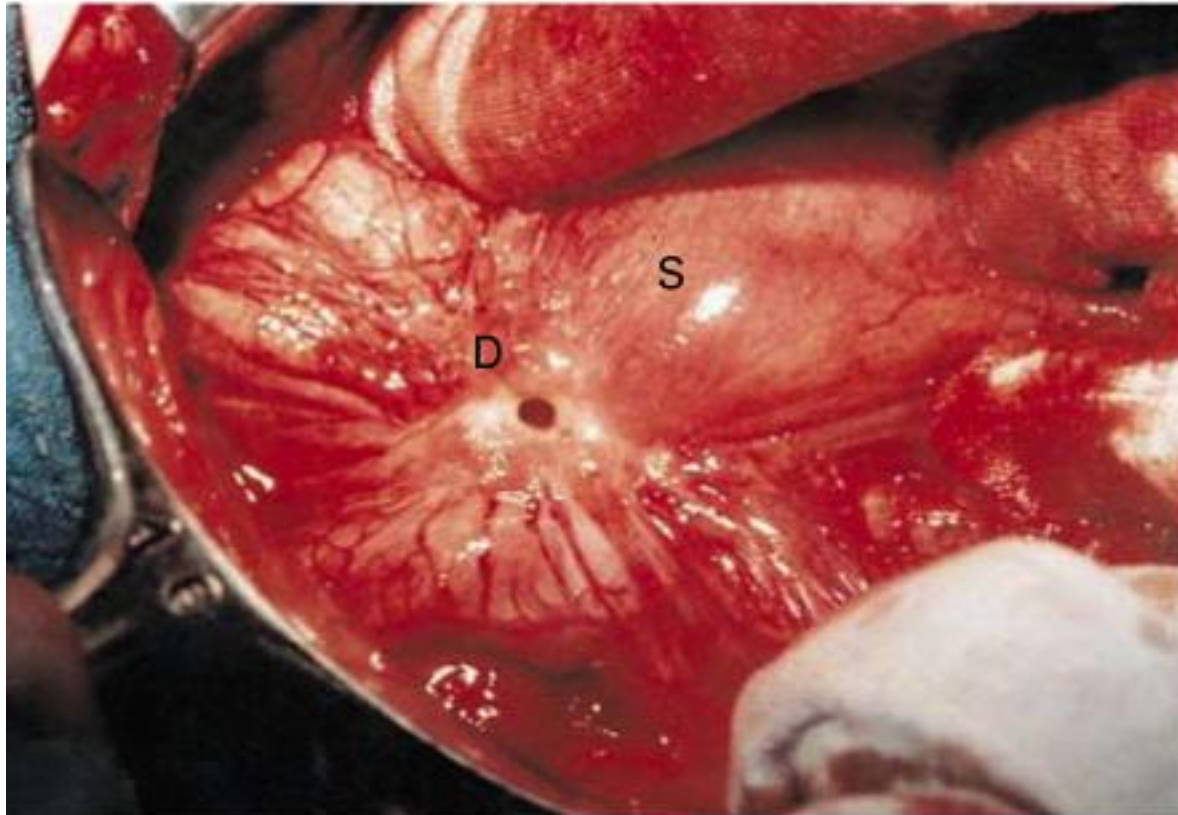
- Diverticular/malignancy
- Very bad
- Very sick
  
- IV Fluid
- Antibiotics
- Urgent surgery...



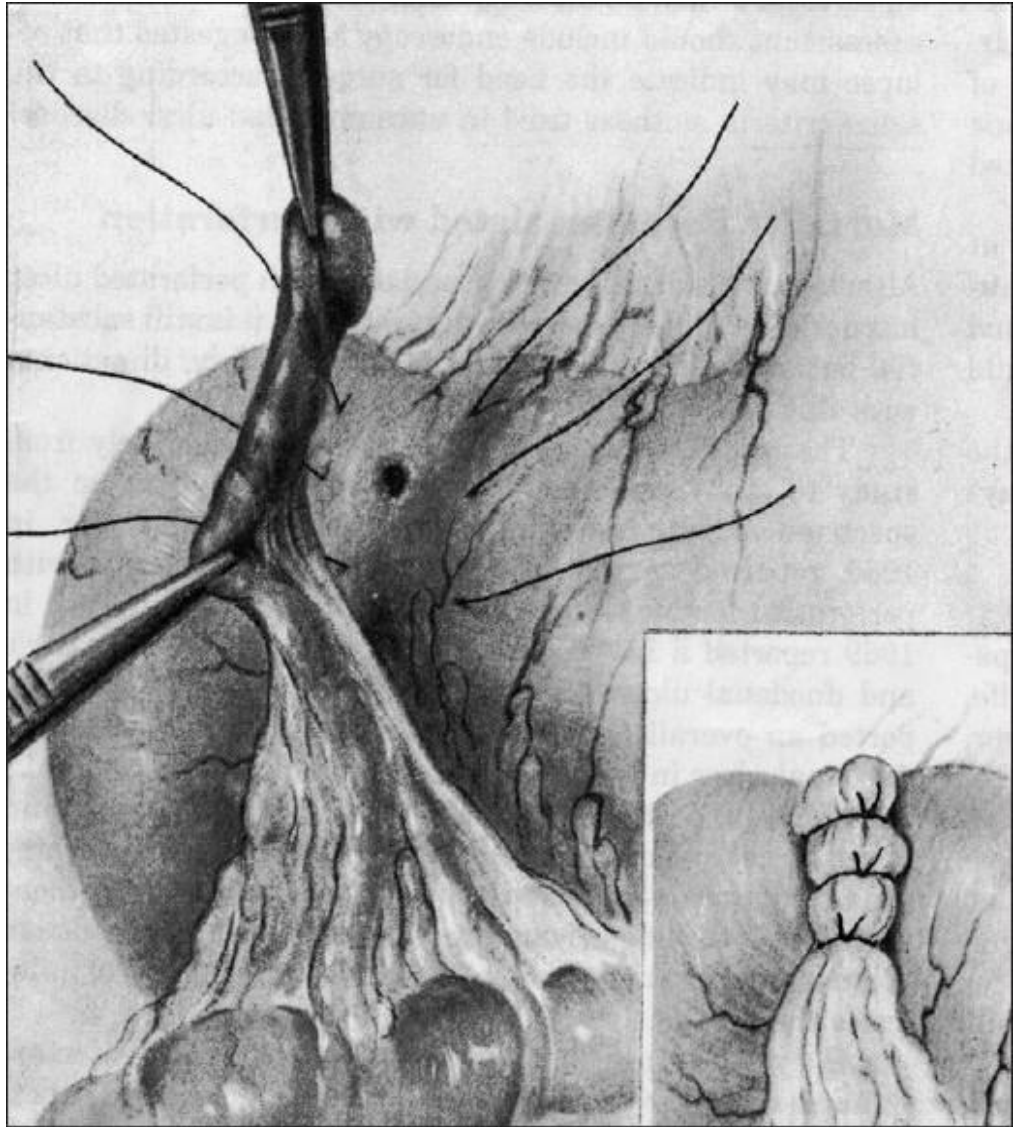
# Perforation– Upper vs Lower

- Age
- Risk factors
  - PUD
    - NSAIDS
    - Smoking
- Location of pain
- Clinical findings
- Radiology

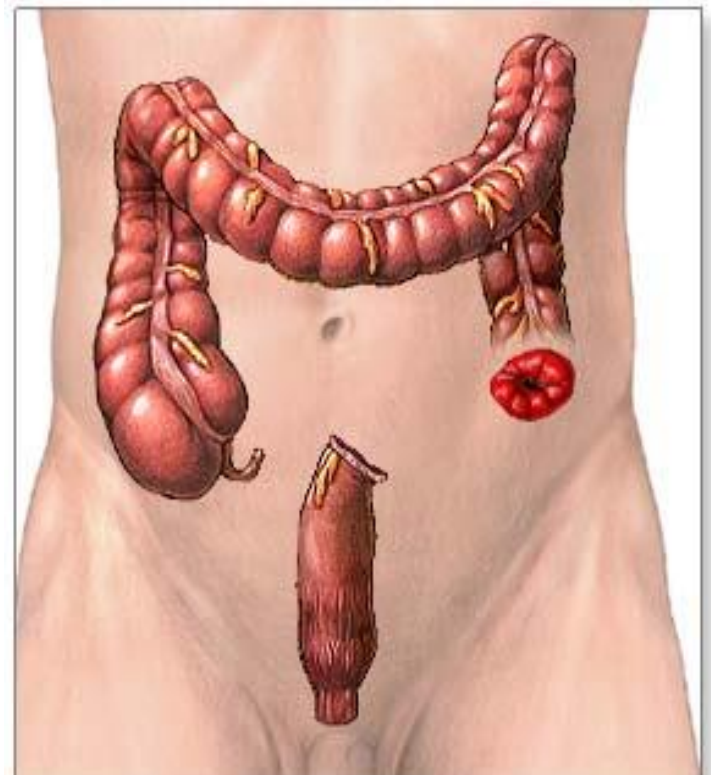




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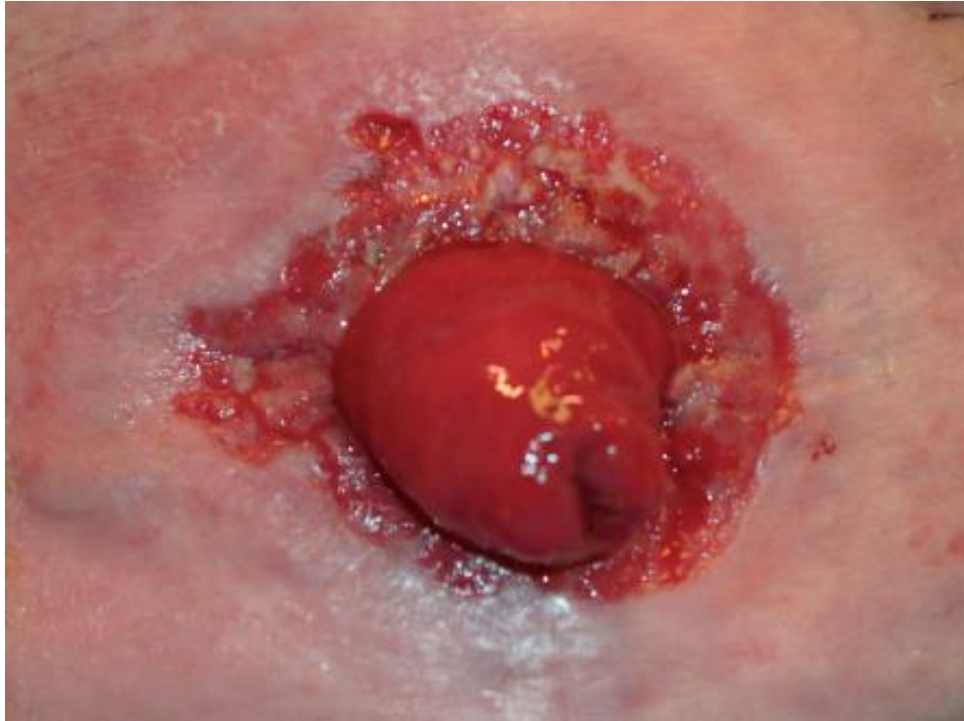
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# A quick word on stomas





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# Examining a stoma

- Location
- Size
- Output
- Number of lumens
  - End
  - Loop
- Skin condition



# Types of Stoma

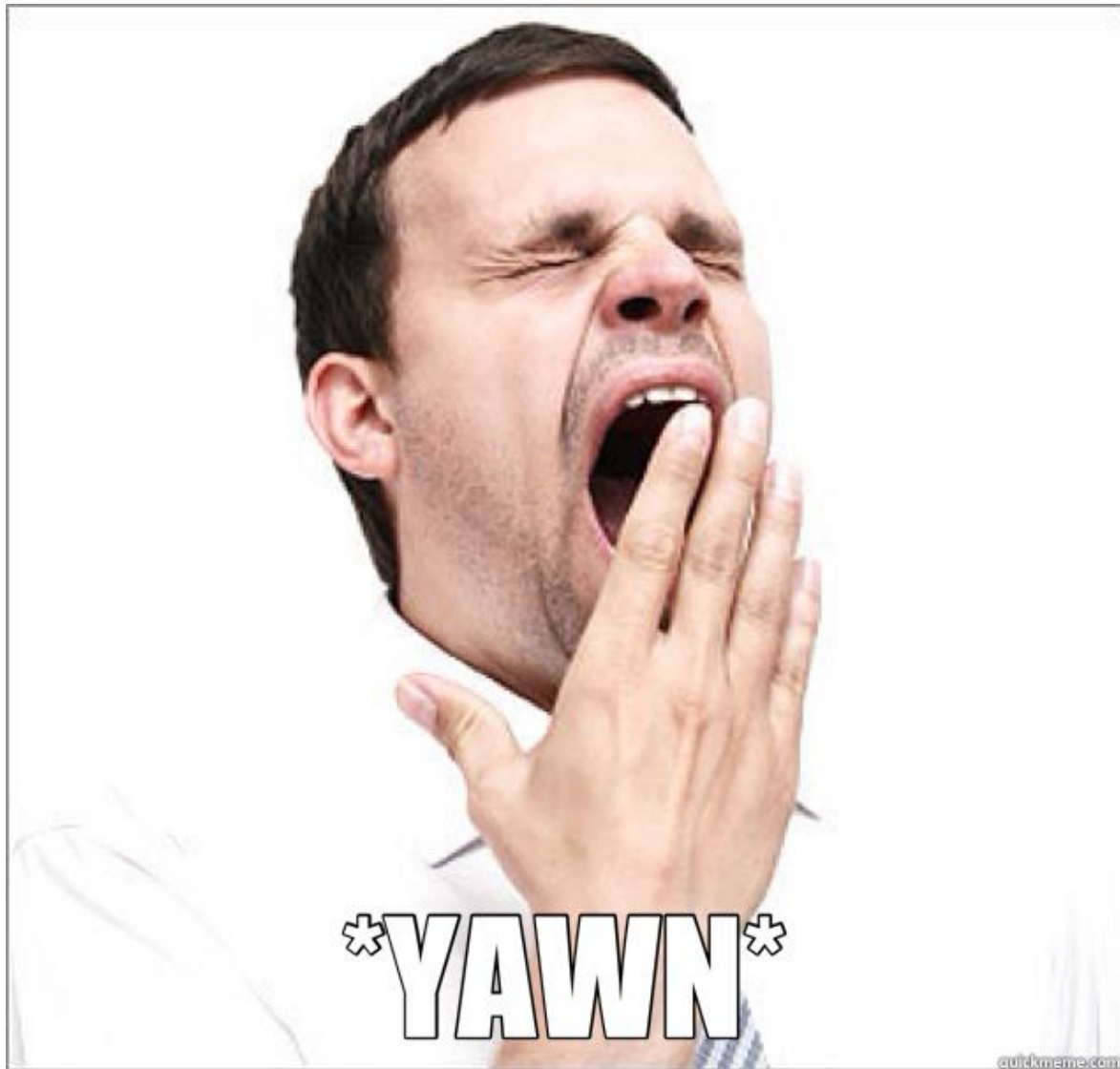
- **Colostomy**
  - Usually LIF/RUQ
  - Flush with skin
  - Larger lumen
  - Faecal output
  - Common operations:
    - Hartmann's
    - Abdominoperineal resection
    - Decompression (inoperable distal malignancy)
- **Ileostomy**
  - Usually RIF
  - Spouted
  - Smaller lumen
  - Liquid output initially
  - Common operations:
    - **Loop**
      - After anterior resection
    - **End**
      - After total/subtotal colectomy
- **Urostomy (ileal conduit)**



# Complications of Stomas

- Early
  - High output
  - Ischaemia
  - Retraction
- Late
  - Prolapse
  - Parastomal hernia
  - Psychosocial





\*YAWN\*

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# Case 2

- 78F
- Under medics with chest infection
- **PMH** Dementia, COPD
- Two days of
  - Profuse vomiting
  - Central abdominal pain





# Case 2

- Profuse vomiting
- Central abdominal pain
  - ‘comes and goes in waves’
- BNO for 5/7
- No flatus



# On examination

- A
  - SM
- B
  - RR 24/min
  - SaO<sub>2</sub> 92%
  - Coarse crackles Rt base
- C
  - Cool peripheries
  - HR 110
  - BRP 120/75
- D
  - Confused
- E
  - T 37.2
  - Abdomen
    - Distended
    - Generally tender
    - Not peritonitic
    - BS active



# On examination

- A
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used

2

men

stended

generally tender

not peritonitic

What next?



# Investigations

- Bloods
  - FBC
  - U+E
  - (CRP)
  - Clotting
  - G&S
  - **ABG**
- Imaging
  - AXR/CXR
  - CT?
- Other
  - ECG
  - Urine



# Investigations

- Hb 12.4
- WCC 16.4
- Plts 252
- Urea 12.4
- Creat 110
- Clotting N
- ABG (on 4L)
  - pH 7.33
  - PCO<sub>2</sub> 4.0
  - PO<sub>2</sub> 10.2
  - BE -5.8
  - Lac 2.9





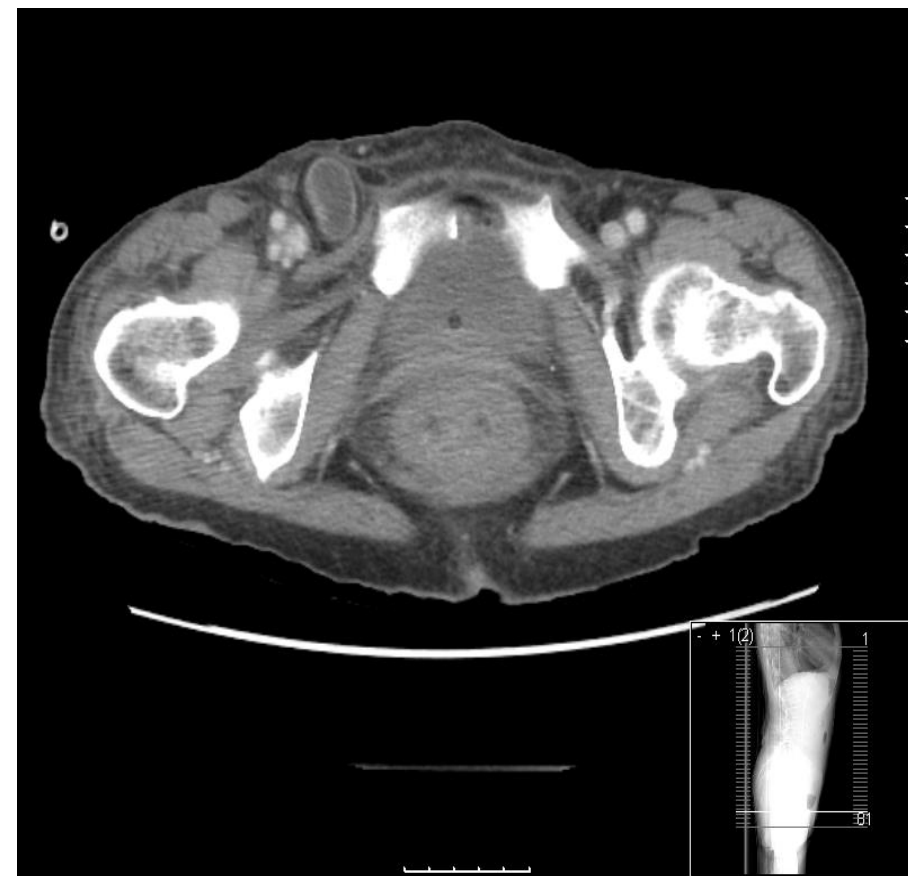
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# The real X-ray!



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What next?



# Initial Management

- ‘Drip and Suck’
  - NBM
  - NGT
  - **IV fluid**
  - Urinary catheter
  
- Definitive management
  - Depends on cause



# Bowel Obstruction – 4 symptoms

- Vomiting
- Colic
- Distension
- Constipation/obstipation



# Bowel Obstruction – Aetiology

## **SBO**

- **Adhesions**
- **Hernias**
- **Crohn's**

## **LBO**

- **Cancer**
- **Volvulus**
- **Diverticular stricture**





## **SBO**

Central distribution

Multiple loops

Valvulae conniventes

>3cm



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## **LBO**

Peripheral distribution

Haustrae

Colon >6cm

Caecum >9cm

# Definitive Management

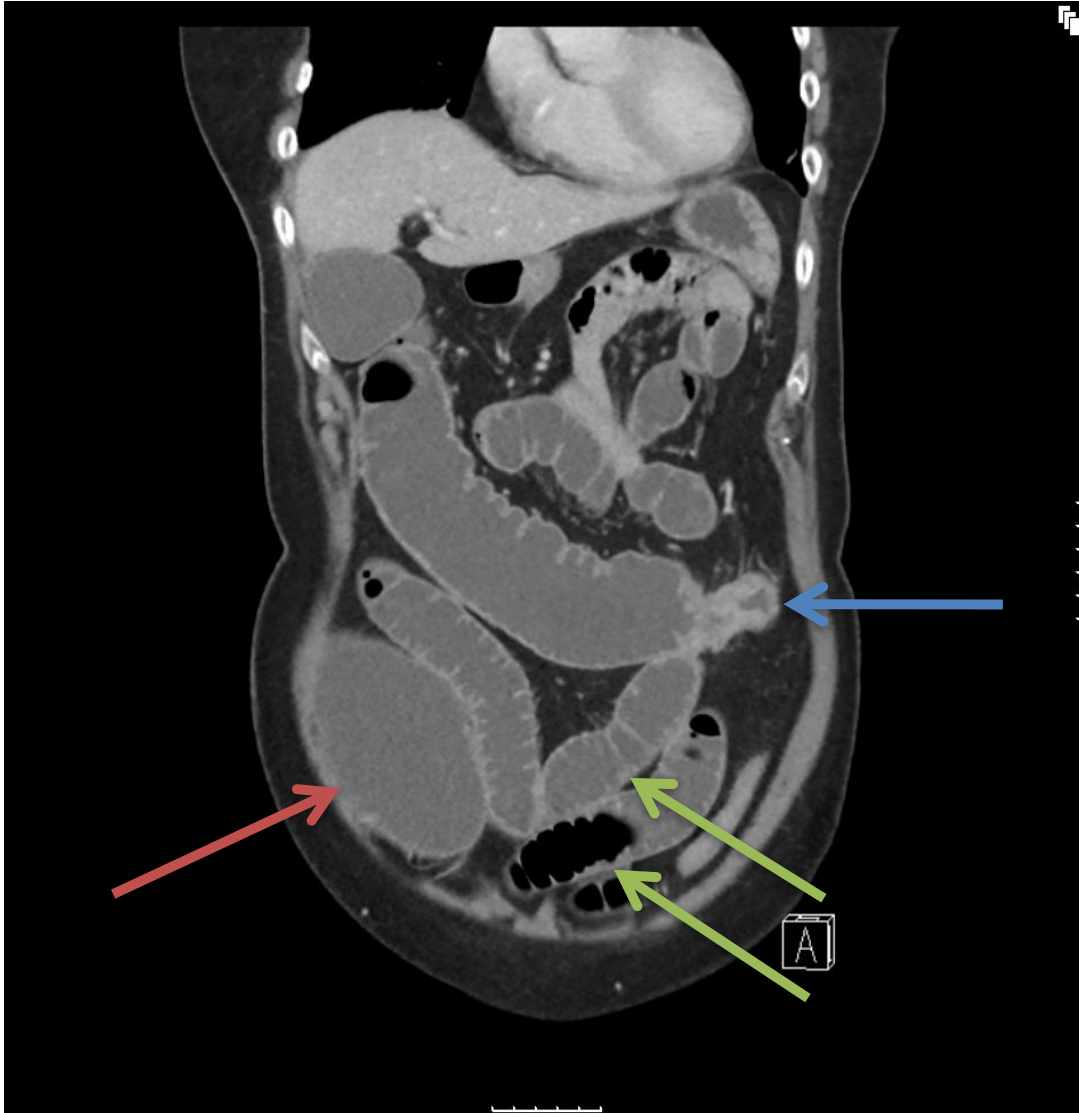
- SBO
  - Adhesional
    - Trial of conservative management
    - UNLESS signs of ischaemia/peritonism
  - Hernia
    - Surgery required



# Definitive Management

- LBO
  - CT usually helpful
  - Volvulus
    - Sigmoidoscopy → decompression
    - UNLESS signs of ischaemia
  - Cancer
    - Laparotomy + resection
    - Urgency depends on competence of ileocaecal valve

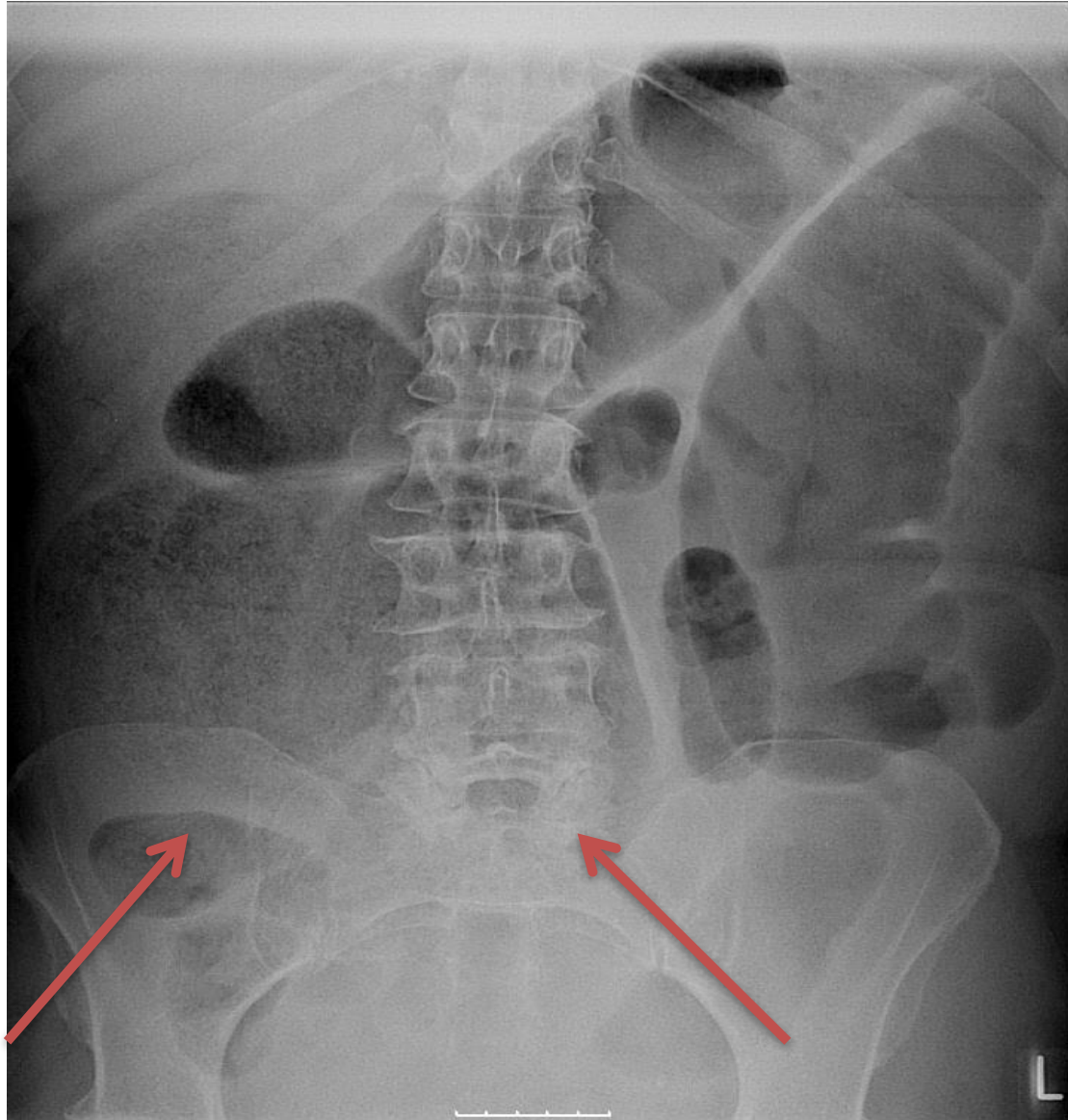




Dilated large and small bowel  
Slightly distended caecum (<10cm)

**OPEN LOOP LBO  
(INCOMPETENT ILEOCAECAL  
VALVE)**

**LOW RISK OF CAECAL  
PERFORATION**



Hugely dilated caecum (>10cm)

No small bowel dilatation

**CLOSED LOOP LBO**

**HIGH RISK OF CAECAL  
PERFORATION**



# Obstruction – key points

- Assess for signs of ischaemia/perforation
- Aetiology determines management
- Closed loop vs open loop



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**LBO with competent Ileocaecal valve**  
**Volvulus**  
**Hernia**



# Any questions?



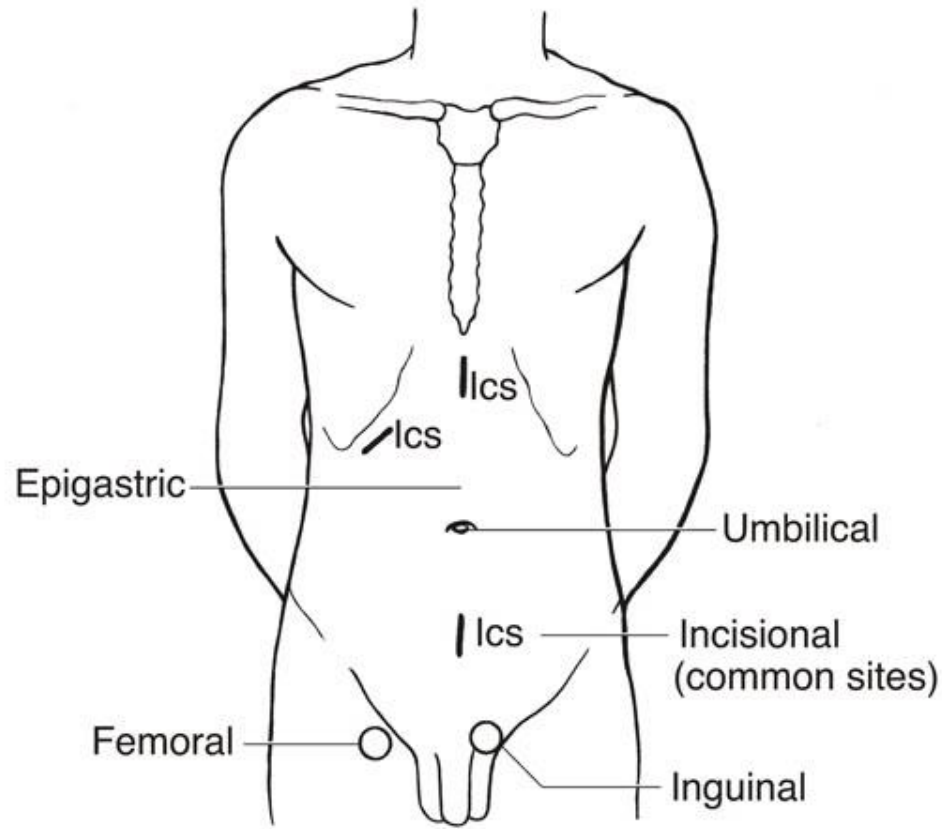
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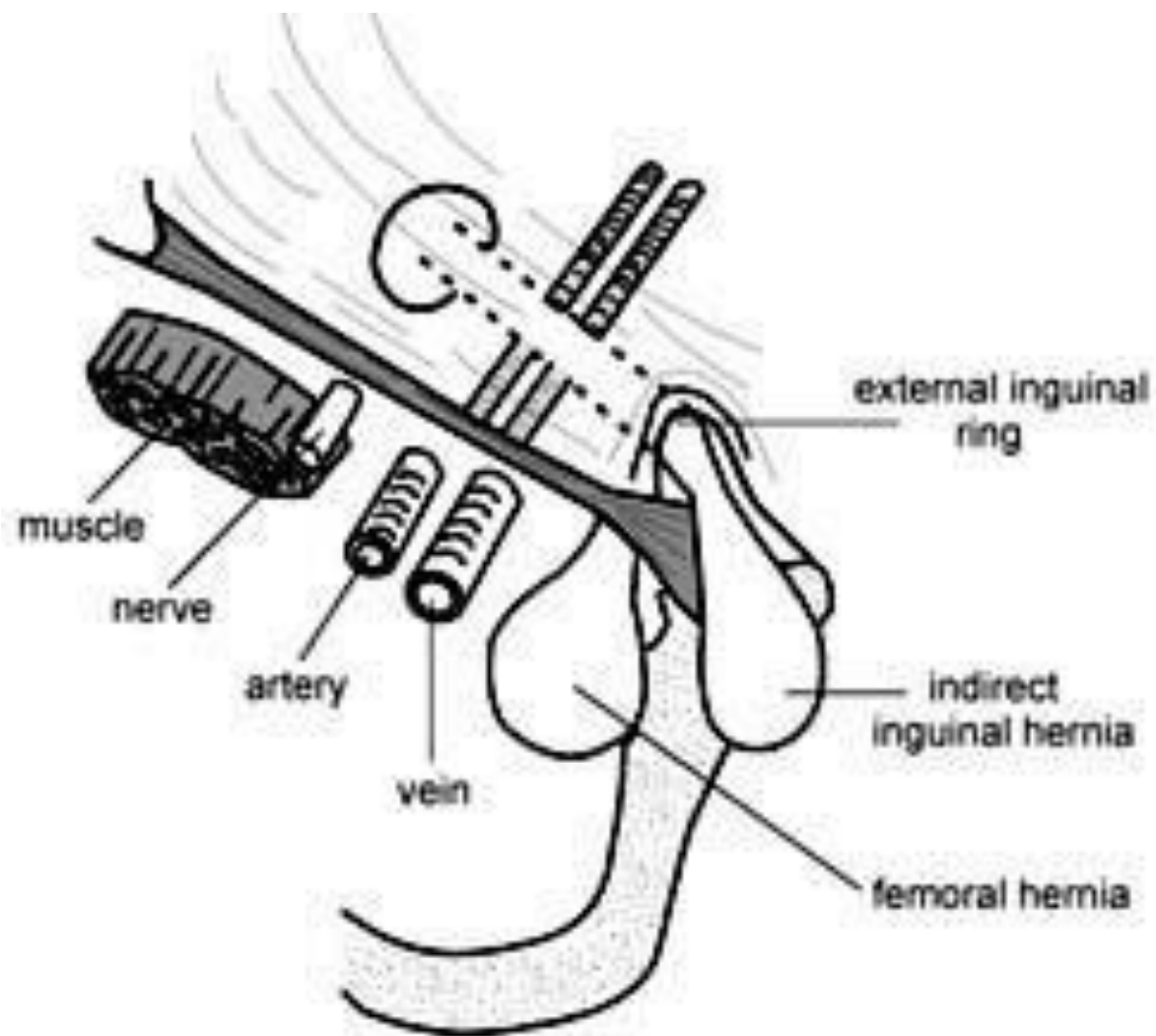


# Hernias

- Protrusion of part or all of a structure through another structure and ending up in the wrong anatomical location







**GROIN AND HERNIAS**

# Examining a Hernia

- **Question 1** - Is there a hernia?
  - Start with patient standing
  - Inspect first
  - Palpate for cough impulse
- **Question 2** – Is it reducible?
  - Ask patient to reduce
  - If difficult – lie flat



# Examining a Hernia

- **Question 3** – What type of hernia is it?
  - Find the pubic tubercle
  - Reduce the hernia
  - \*Cough\*
    - Below and lateral to PT = Femoral hernia
    - Above (and medial) to PT = Inguinal Hernia
- **Question 4** – Inguinal only – Direct or Indirect?
  - Reduce hernia
  - Occlude Deep Ring
  - \*Cough\*
    - Hernia protrudes = DIRECT
    - Hernia doesn't appear = INDIRECT



# Hernias – Key Points

- **Inguinal hernia**

- **Indirect**

- More common
- moderate strangulation risk

- **Direct**

- Less common
- Scrotal extension
- low strangulation risk

- M>F

- **Femoral hernia**

- High risk of strangulation
- F>M



# Hernias

- **Complications**
  - Incarceration
  - Obstruction
  - Strangulation



# Any Questions?





# Case 3

- 21F
- PC
  - RIF pain for 2/7
  - No vomiting
  - Not hungry
  - Loose stool for 1/7



# On Examination

- A
  - SM
- B
  - RR 18/min
  - SaO<sub>2</sub> 100%
  - Equal A/E
- C
  - Dry tongue
  - HR 90bpm
  - BP 140/80
- D
  - Alert
- E
  - T 37.5
  - Abdomen
    - Tender RIF
    - Guarding



# What next?

- Additional questions?
- Possible diagnoses?
- Any investigations?



# Investigations

- Urine
  - **bHCG Negative**
  - leuk ++ Nit –ve
- Bloods
  - WCC 14.2
  - CRP 112
  - U+E/LFT N
  - VBG N



# Investigations

- Imaging
  - USS Abdo/pelvis
    - ‘Normal appearance of tubes and ovaries’
    - ‘trace of free fluid in pouch of Douglas’
    - ‘Appendix not seen’



# Investigations

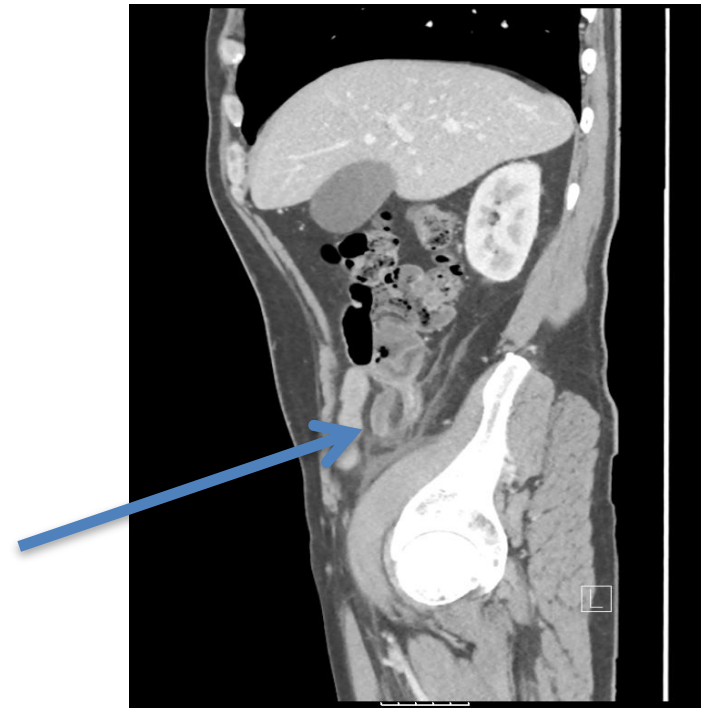
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**USS TO RULE OUT GYNAE PATHOLOGY**



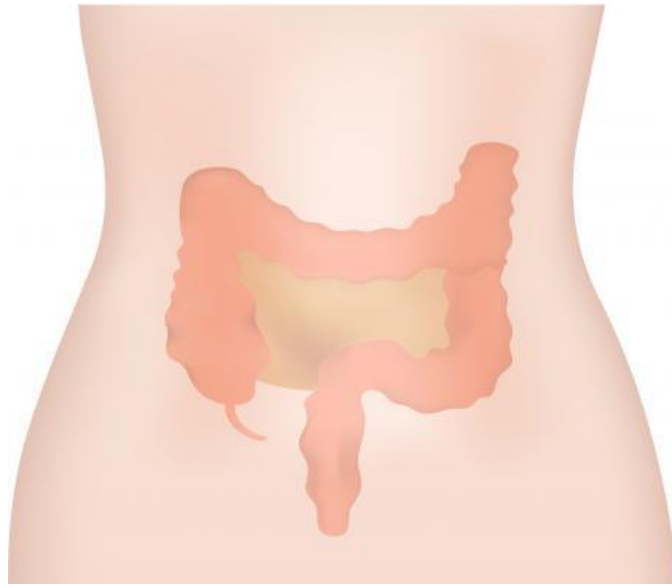
# Investigations

- Imaging
  - CT scan
    - Useful in older patients



# Appendicitis

*Healthy*



*Inflamed  
Appendix*





# Acute Appendicitis

- Clinical diagnosis
- History
  - **Migration** of pain
  - Duration of symptoms
  - Anorexia is common
  - Urinary symptoms
  - Gynae symptoms
  - LMP



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Can affect any age  
Perforation risk ↑ with age  
Older patients – suspect  
cancer



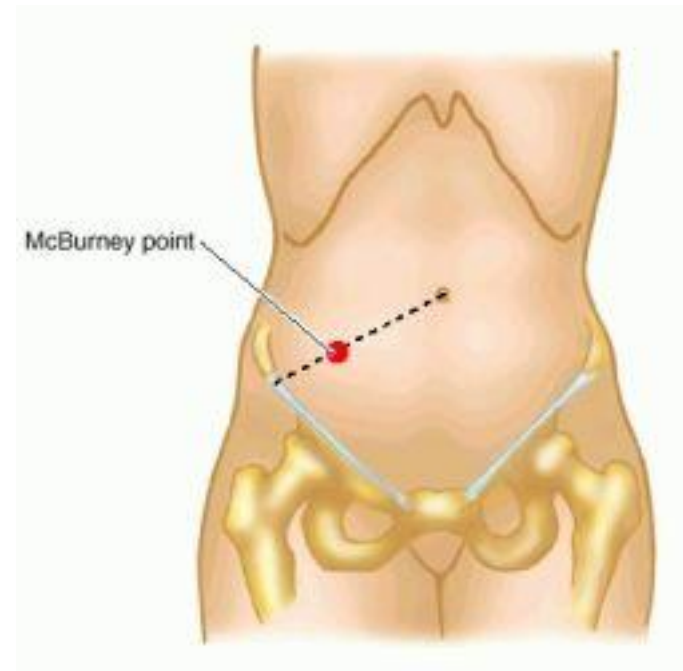
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- Examination
  - McBurney's point



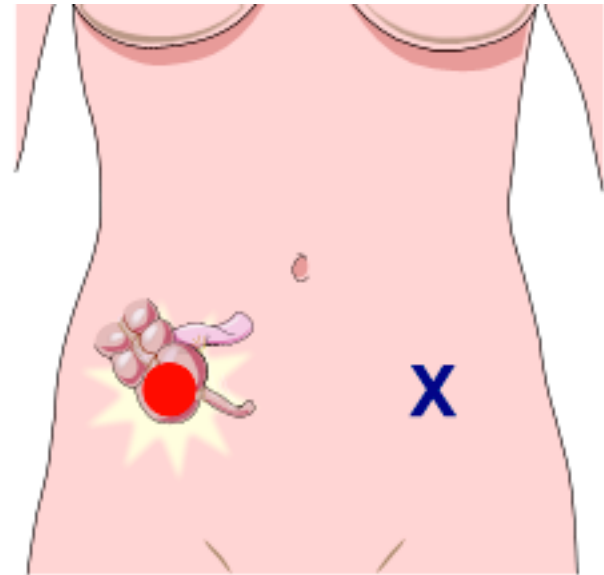
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  - Rovsing's sign



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- Examination
  - McBurney's point
  - Percussion tenderness
  - Rovsing's sign
  - Psoas sign
  - Obturator sign



# Acute Appendicitis

- Examination
  - Perforation
    - Signs of sepsis
    - Peritonism
      - Localised vs generalised



# Acute Appendicitis - DDx

- Gynaecological
  - **ECTOPIC PREGNANCY**
  - Ovarian cyst accident
  - PID
- Genitourinary
  - **TESTICULAR TORSION**
  - Pyelonephritis
  - Ureteric colic
- Other
  - 'Non specific abdominal pain'
  - Mesenteric adenitis
  - Meckel's diverticulitis



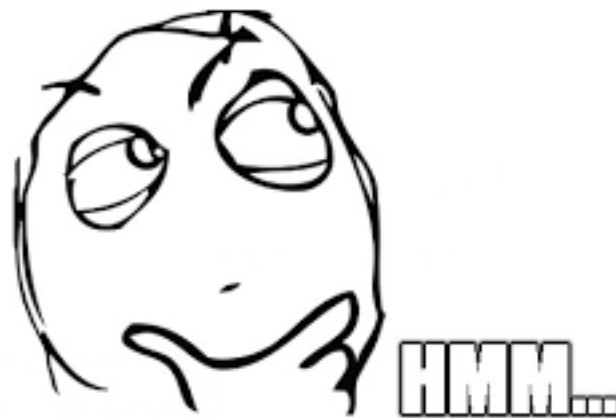
# Case 3 – What next?





# Case 3 - Management

- IV fluids
- Symptomatic relief
  - Opioids?
- Antibiotics?
- Operation?

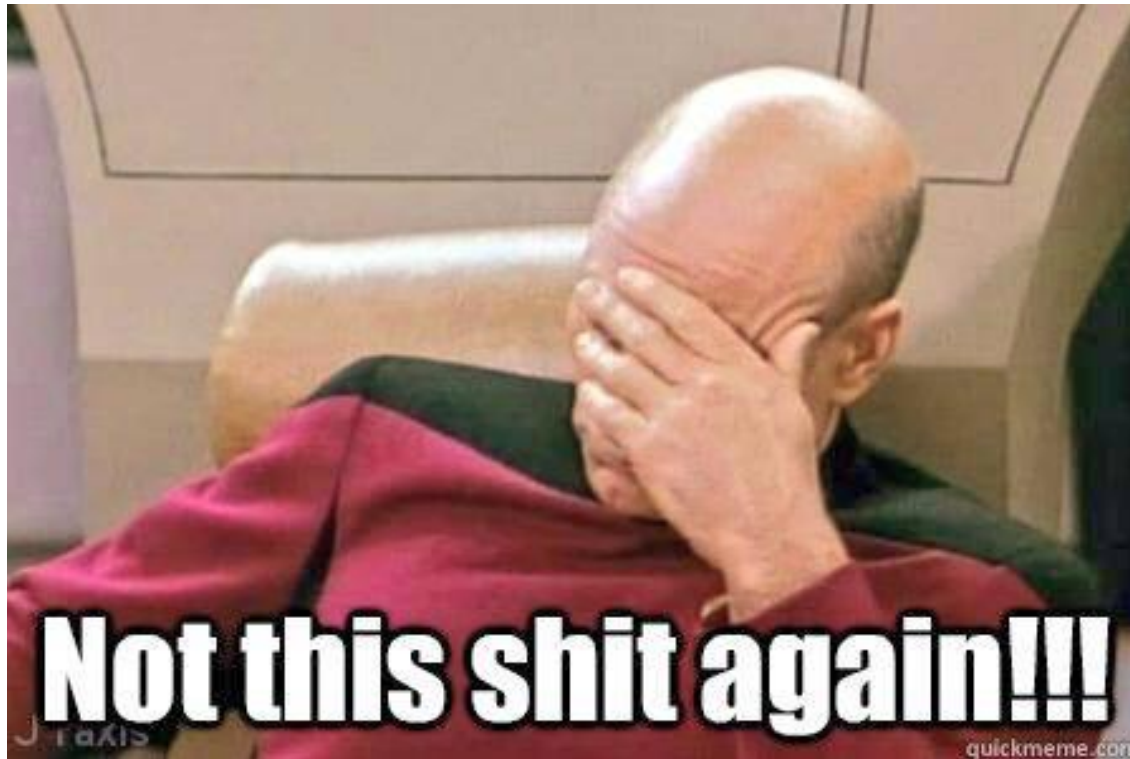


# Case 3 - Management

- Admit and observe if diagnosis in doubt
- Antibiotics if...
  - Patient is septic
  - You are booking for theatre
- Operation – when and how?
  - Laparoscopic vs open



# Case 4 – More abdominal pain



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- 38F
- Severe central abdo pain for 1/7
- Constant
- Radiating to back



# Examination

- A
  - SM
- B
  - RR 24/min
  - SaO<sub>2</sub> 93% (RA)
  - Chest clear
- C
  - Dehydrated
  - HR 120bpm
  - BP 110/50
- D
  - Alert
- E
  - T 37.6
  - Abdomen
    - Sitting forward
    - Tender ++ periumbilical, epigastrium & RUQ



On closer inspection...



 **SIMPLY**  
*FINALS*

# On closer inspection...

Cullen's



Gray-Turner's



# Investigations





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- FBC
- U+E
- LFT
- **Amylase**
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- eCXR/AXR
- **Bedside USS**
- ABG



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	ABG
pH (7.35-7.45)	7.298
pCO2 (4.5-6kPa)	4.07
pO2 (>13kPa)	9.31
Base Excess (-2- 2)	-10.7
HCO3 (22-26mmol/L)	16.0
Lactate (0-1)	5.4
Na (135-145)	142
K (3.5-5.0)	4.6

# Investigations

- WCC 21.0
- Hb 9.6
- Creat 240
- Ur 18
- Bili 46
- ALP 420
- ALT 300
- Amylase 2300
- Bedside USS
  - No AAA
- eCXR
  - No pneumoperitoneum



# Investigations

- Imaging
  - Rule out other causes
  - USS Abdomen
    - ?Gallstones
    - ?intra/extrahepatic duct dilatation
  - CT abdomen
    - Usually not needed initially...
    - ...unless diagnosis still in doubt
    - After 5-7 days if still unwell
      - To assess for complications



# Acute Pancreatitis - Aetiology

- **Gallstones**
- **Ethanol**
- **Trauma**
- **Steroids**
- **Mumps**
- **Autoimmune**
- **Scorpion...**
- **Hyperlipidaemia**
- **ERCP**
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Alcohol/drug History



USS Abdomen



Clever tests  
(IgG4, lipid profile etc)



# Acute Pancreatitis - Assessment

**Table 1** - Severity categories following the Revision of Atlanta Classification<sup>3</sup>.

<b>Acute pancreatitis severity</b>	<b>Organ failure and local or systemic complications</b>
Mild acute pancreatitis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- No organ failure</li><li>- No local or systemic complications</li></ul>
Moderately severe acute pancreatitis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Transient organ failure (resolves in 48 hours)</li></ul>
	<hr/> <p>Local or systemic complications without persistent organ failure</p> <hr/>
Severe acute pancreatitis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Persistent organ failure (single or multiple)</li></ul>



# Acute Pancreatitis - Assessment

- Organ dysfunction
  - Lungs
    - CXR
    - ABG
  - Kidneys
    - Urea and creatinine
    - Urine output – put in a catheter
  - Global perfusion
    - Serial blood gases





# Acute Pancreatitis - Assessment

- Glasgow score



# Acute Pancreatitis - Assessment

- Glasgow score
  - PANCREAS mnemonic

Glasgow Imrie Criteria for Acute Pancreatitis	
3 or more of the below in first 48hrs indicates a severe attack	
PaO <sub>2</sub>	<8KPa
Age	>55 years
Neutrophils	>15x10 <sup>9</sup> /L
Calcium	<2mmol/L
Renal Function	Urea >16mmol/L
Enzymes	LDH >600iU/L / AST >2000iU/L
Albumin	<32g/L
Sugar	Glucose >10mmol/L



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- Ranson
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**ALL PATIENTS NEED SCORING  
IF SEVERE – EARLY CRITICAL  
CARE INVOLVEMENT**



# Acute Pancreatitis – Immediate Management

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- **Fluid, fluid, fluid**
- Opiate analgesia
- Anti-emetics
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  - No role in early management
  - If established pancreatic necrosis:
    - Carbapenem



# Acute Pancreatitis – Ongoing Management

- Organ support
  - Cardiovascular
  - Respiratory
  - Renal
- Nutrition
  - Early enteral nutrition improves outcome
- Treat cause...
  - ERCP
  - Steroids
- Surgery?



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  - Necrosectomy
  - Cholecystectomy





# Acute Pancreatitis - Complications

- Early
  - Hypovolaemia/SIRS → AKI
  - ARDS
  - MODS
  - Haemorrhagic pancreatitis



# Acute Pancreatitis - Complications

- Late
  - Pancreatic necrosis
    - Second week
    - Infected necrosis – high mortality



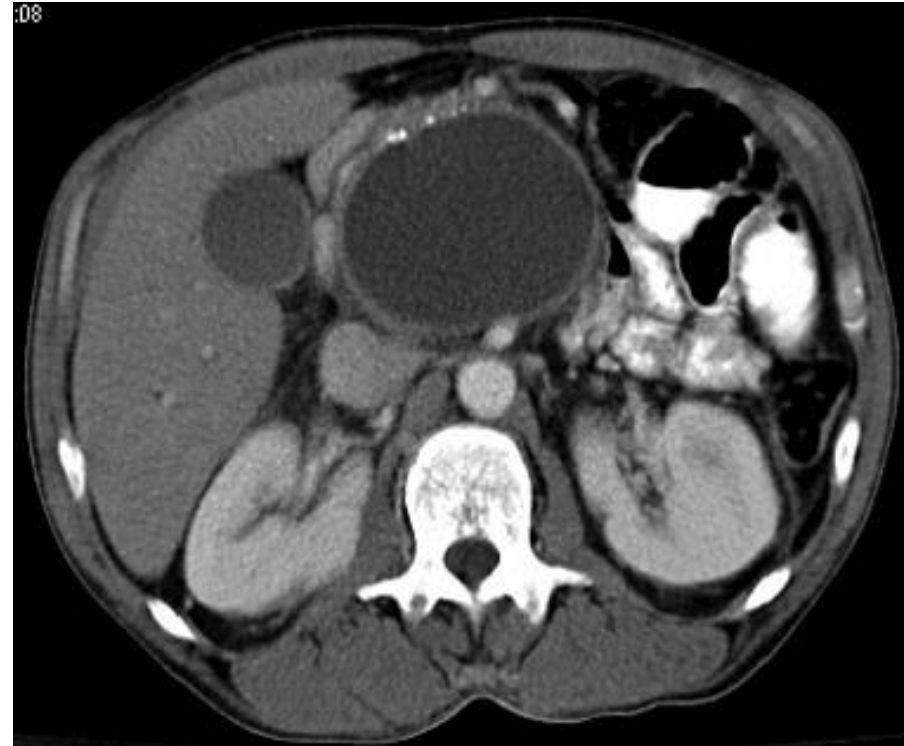
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- Late
  - Pancreatic necrosis
  - Splenic vein thrombosis
  - Pseudocyst



# Case 5 – I've gone yellow doc!



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# Case 5 – I've gone yellow doc!

- 45M
- 'big boned'
- Partner noticed yellowing of eyes
- c/o intermittent abdominal pain for 2 months
- Worse for last 3 days



Further Questions?



# Further Questions?

- Symptoms of gallstones
  - Post-prandial RUQ pain
- Symptoms of obstructive jaundice
  - Dark urine
  - Pale stools
  - Pruritus
- Weight loss/anorexia
  - Malignancy
- **Fever/rigors**
- Drug history
- Alcohol





# Case 5 – I've gone yellow doc!

- c/o intermittent abdominal pain for 2 months
- Worse for last 3 days
- Feels unwell
  - Hot and cold
  - 'shivering'
- No recent weight loss
- Dark urine



# Examination

- A
  - SM
- B
  - RR 18/min
  - SaO<sub>2</sub> 99% (RA)
  - Chest clear
- C
  - CRT 4 secs
  - HR 102bpm
  - BP 100/50
- D
  - Alert
- E
  - T 38.4
  - Jaundiced
  - Abdomen
    - Tender RUQ
    - No mass
    - **Murphy's sign?**



# Investigations

- FBC
  - WCC 19.1
  - Plts 130
- U+E
  - Creat 170
  - Ur 14
  - Na/K Normal
- LFTs
  - Bili 150
  - ALP 832
  - ALT 304
  - Alb 34
  - Amy 80
- Clotting
  - INR 1.3



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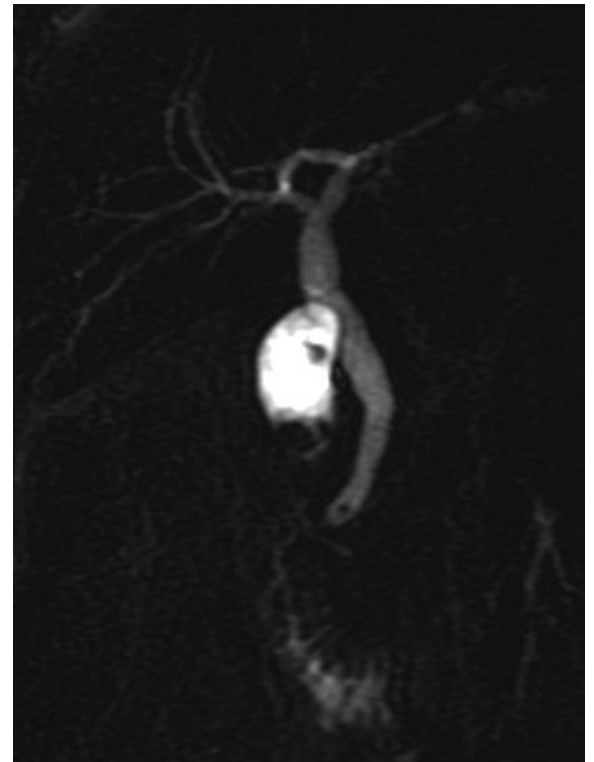
- **USS**

- 1<sup>st</sup> line modality of choice
- Gallstones?
- Dilated ducts
  - CBD >6mm
- Signs of cholecystitis
  - Thick walled GB
  - Sonographic Murphy's sign
  - Pericholecystic fluid



# Investigations

- **MRCP**
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> line
  - More sensitive for CBD stones
  - eg dilated ducts but cause unclear
- **ERCP**
  - Diagnostic +/- therapeutic
  - Decompression
    - Stent/sphincterotomy
  - Samples for cytology
  - Complications
    - Pancreatitis
    - Perforation
    - Cholangitis



# Jaundice

- Pre-hepatic
  - Haemolysis
  - Drugs
  - Gilbert's
- Hepatic
  - Cirrhosis
  - Hepatitis
  - Drugs
  - Budd-Chiari
- **OBSTRUCTIVE**
  - **In the lumen**
    - Gallstones
  - **In the wall**
    - Cholangiocarcinoma
    - PSC
  - **External compression**
    - Pancreatic Ca
    - Lymph nodes



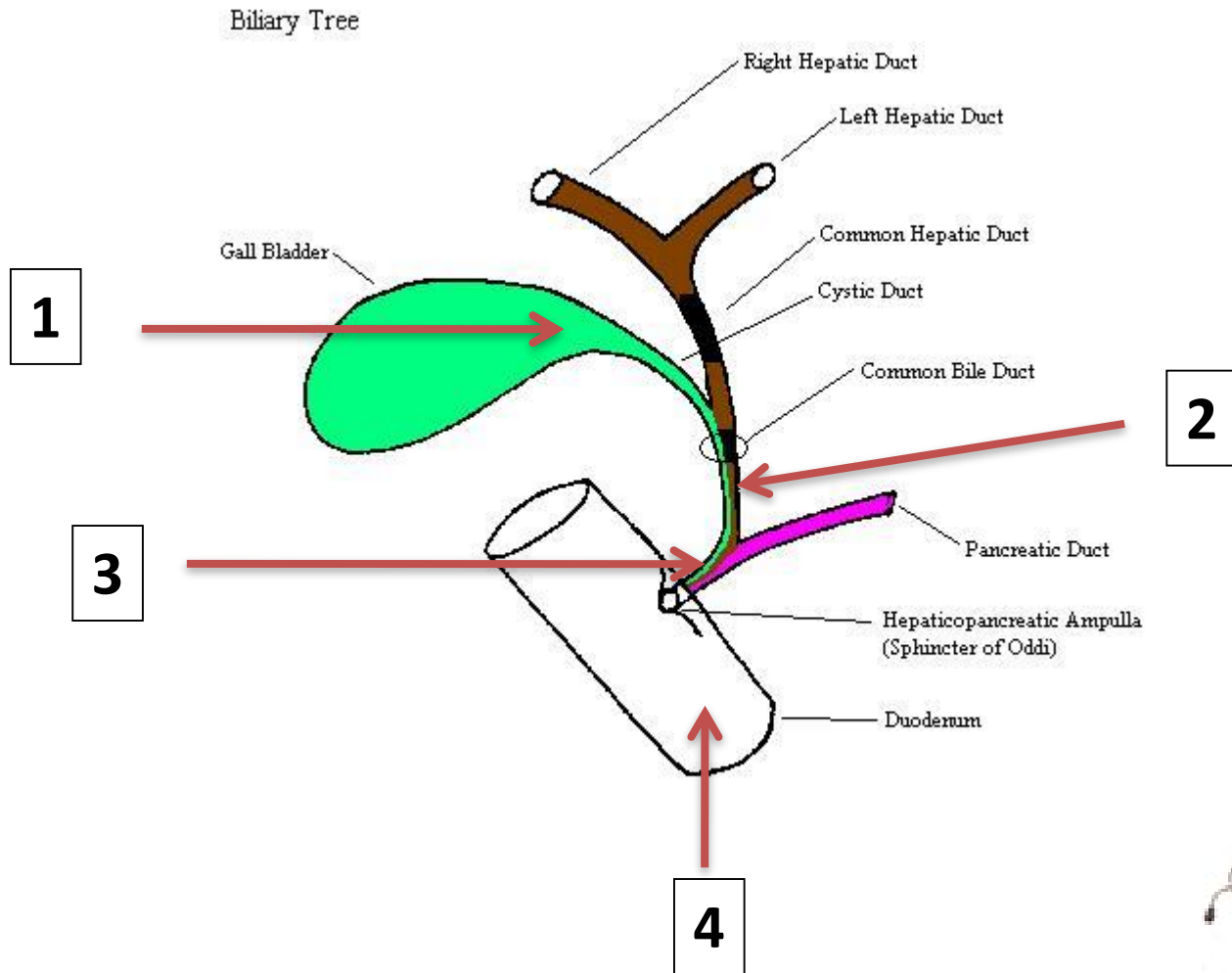
# Gallstone Disease

- 'Fat, Female, Fertile, Forty'
- Can affect any age
- Cholesterol (15%)
- Pigment (5%)
- Mixed (80%)



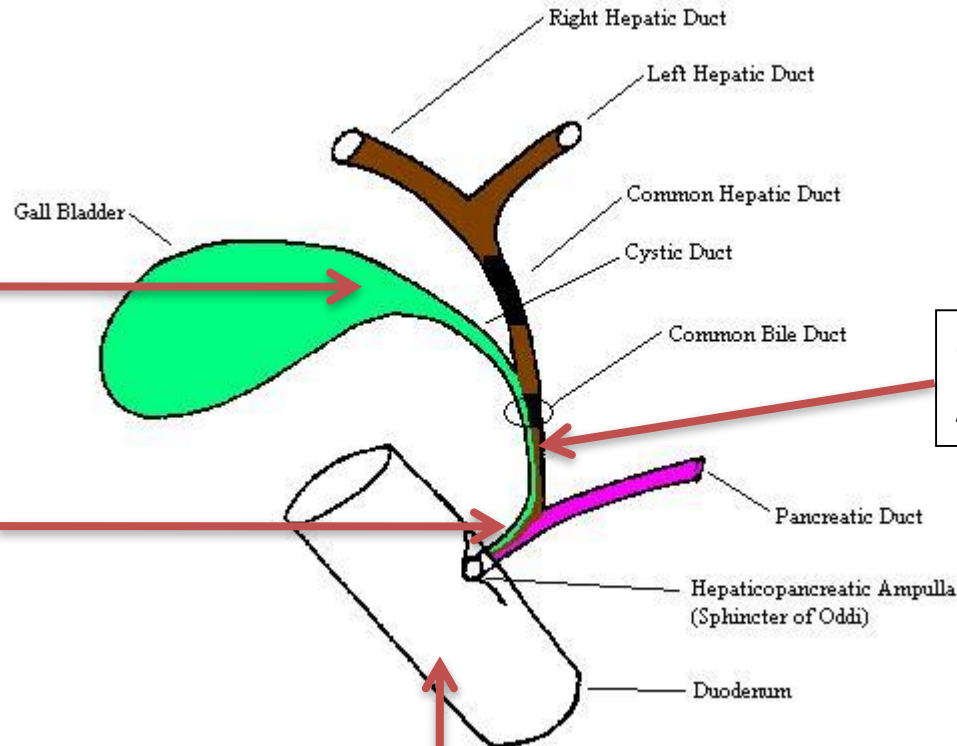


# Gallstone Disease



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Biliary Tree



**Acute cholecystitis**  
**Biliary colic**  
**Empyema**

**Obstructive jaundice**  
**Ascending cholangitis**

**Pancreatitis**  
**Obstructive Jaundice**  
**Ascending Cholangitis**

**Gallstone Ileus**

# Stones in the Gallbladder

- **Biliary colic**

- Impaction of stone at the neck of the gallbladder
- Mechanical – contraction causes pain
- RUQ pain +/- vomiting
- May be provoked by fatty meal
- **Rx** Analgesia, antiemetics



# Stones in the Gallbladder

- **Cholecystitis**
  - Impaction of stone
  - **Inflammatory/infective**
  - RUQ pain + fever&malaise
  - **Rx** Antibiotics
- **Empyema**
  - Occlusion of GB outlet
    - proliferation of organisms
    - abscess formation
  - Distended GB on imaging + Septic
    - think empyema
  - **Rx** Abx + Drainage (Cholecystostomy)



# Stones in the Gallbladder

- **Biliary Colic**

- Murphy's sign –ve
- Apyrexial
- Inflammatory markers normal or mildly elevated
  
- Analgesia
- Antiemetics
- Low fat diet
- Early cholecystectomy

- **Cholecystitis**

- **Murphy's sign +ve**
- May be pyrexial
- Elevated WCC/CRP
  
- Analgesia
- Antiemetics
- Low fat diet
- **Antibiotics**
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# Stones in the CBD

- **Obstructive jaundice**
  - Courvoisier's law
    - 'obstructive jaundice in the presence of a palpable GB is not due to stones'
  - Prophylactic antibiotics
  - Early ERCP and sphincterotomy/stent
- **Cholangitis**
  - Charcot's triad
    - RUQ pain
    - Jaundice
    - Rigors
  - Often very unwell
  - IV Abx + urgent ERCP
- **Pancreatitis**



# Case Revisited

- IV fluid
- Antibiotics
  - eg Tazocin 4.5g IV TDS
- USS
- ERCP
  - Biliary trawl
  - Sphincterotomy
- Interval cholecystectomy



# Quick Cases

- 64M
- Left loin pain for 8hrs
- Radiation to back
- Initially intermittent, now constant
- PMH
  - HTN, T2DM





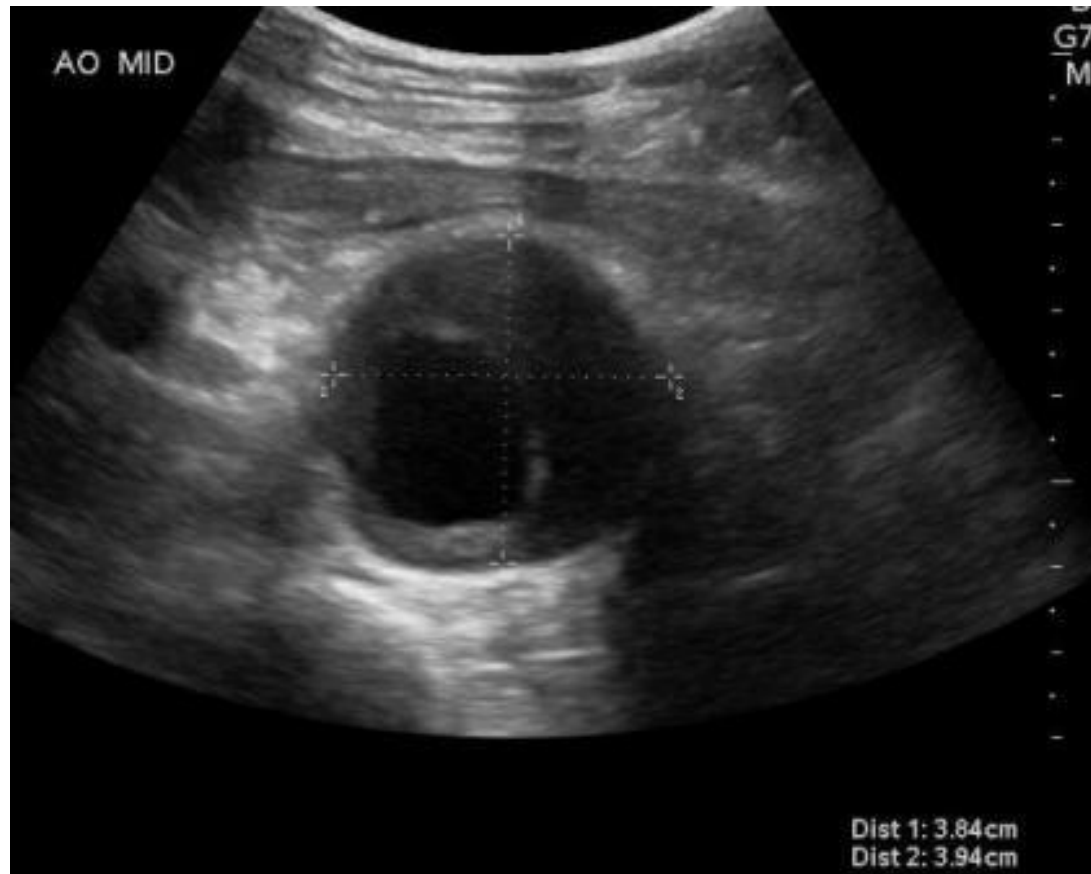
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  - Abdomen
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- Differential?
- What next?





 **SIMPLY**  
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# Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm

- Aneurysm = dilatation  $>150\%$  of normal diameter
  - AAA = diameter  $>3\text{cm}$
- True aneurysm = all three layers of vessel wall
- False (pseudoaneurysm) = swelling contained by adventitia
- Majority Infra-renal
- Aetiology:
  - **Atherosclerosis**
    - CVS risk factors
  - Connective tissue
  - Mycotic



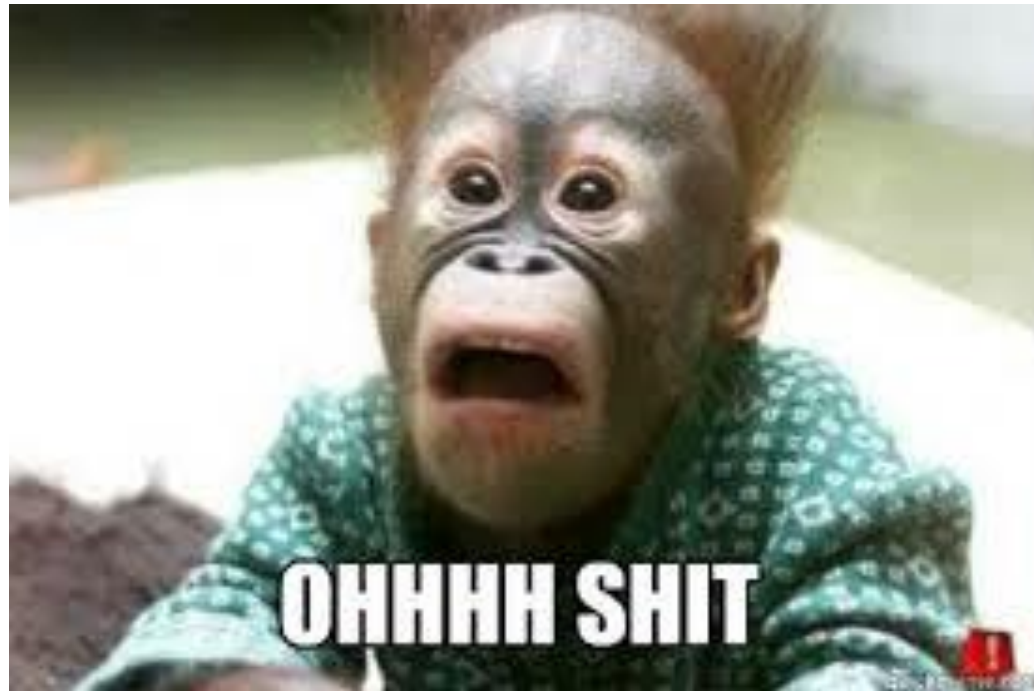
# Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm

- Unruptured
  - 3% >50years
  - Often asymptomatic
  - Abdo/back pain
  - Screening
- **Indications for repair**
  - Diameter >5.5cm in men, >5cm in women
  - Rapid growth
  - Symptomatic

**BUT need to consider individual risk**



# Ruptured AAA



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Pulse rate (per minute)	< 100	100–120	120–140	> 140
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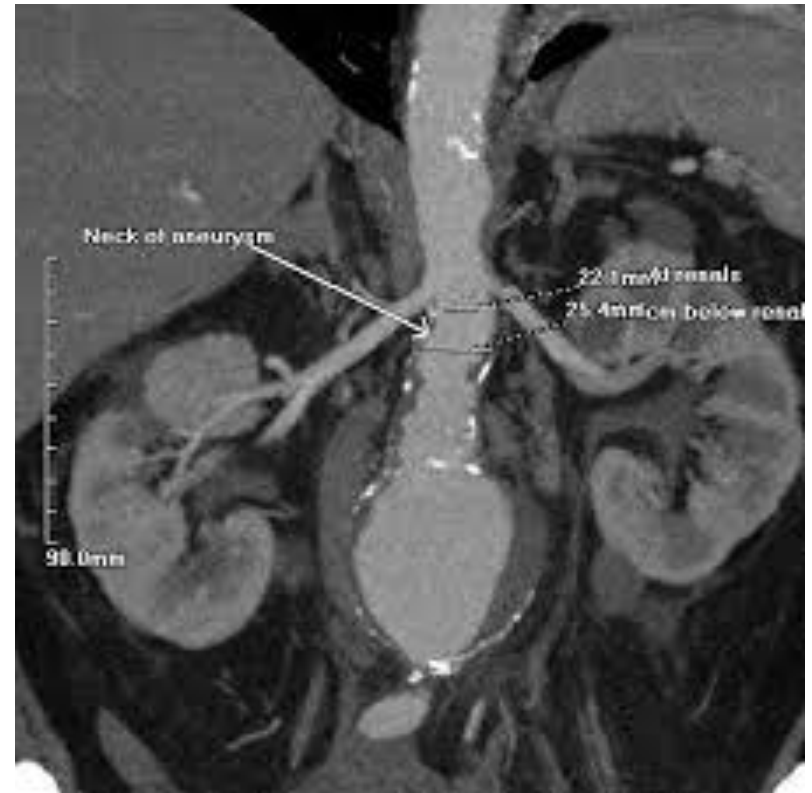
- FBC/U+E/Clotting
- XM – blood and FFP
- Big IV access x2
- Urinary catheter
- **Permissive hypotension**
  - Don't 'pop the clot'
  - Keep sBP <100mmHg



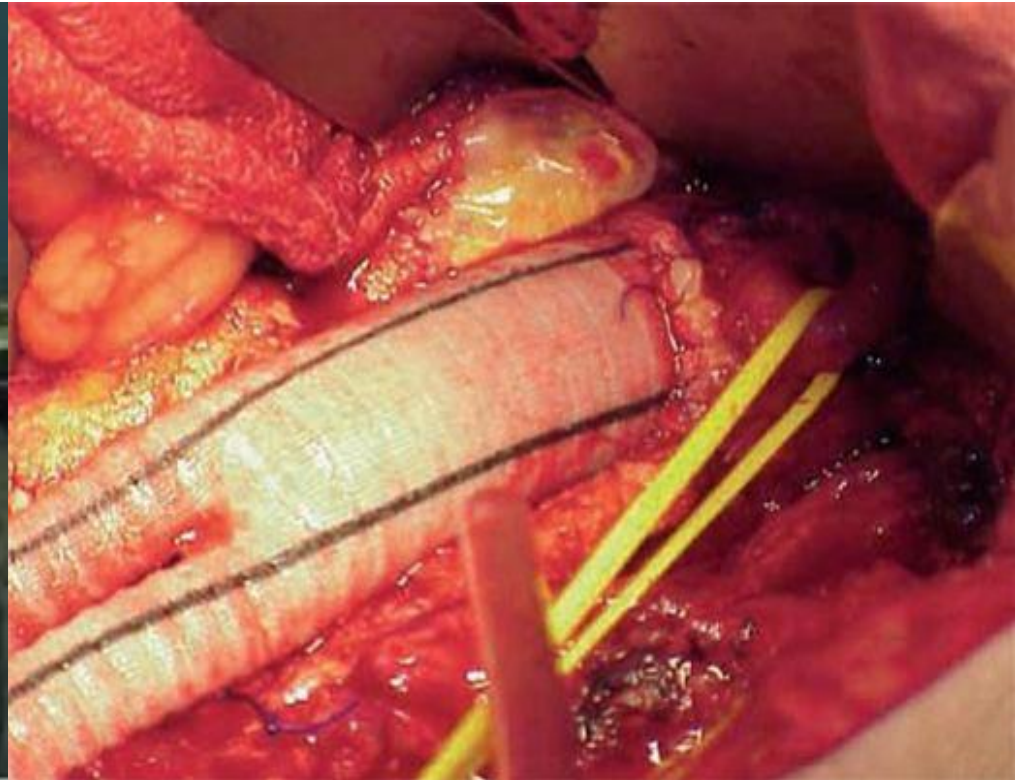
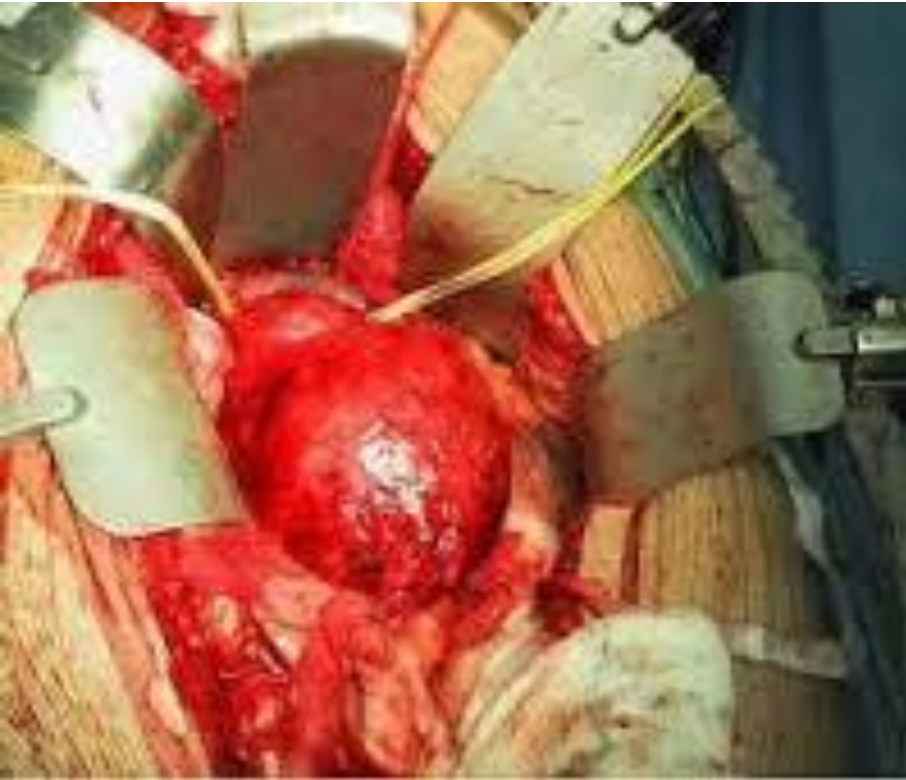
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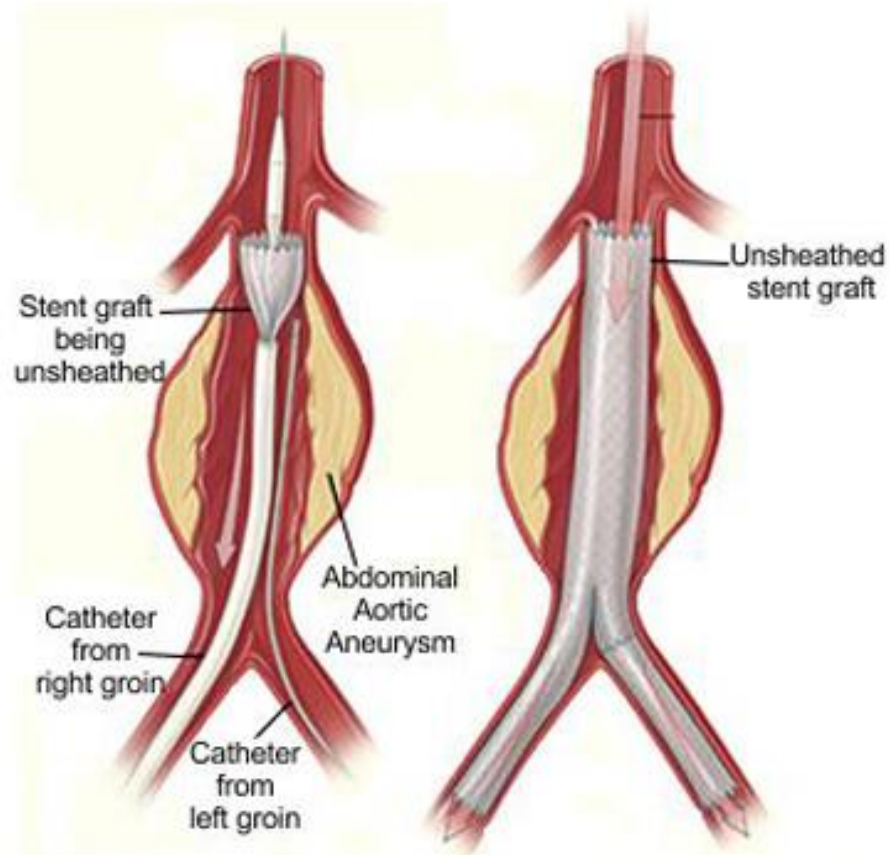


# Open Repair





# Endovascular Repair



# 80F - Resus

- Care home resident
- Central abdominal pain and vomiting
- O/E
  - HR 135bpm Irregular
  - BP 95/60
  - Abdomen
    - Generalised tenderness
    - No peritonism

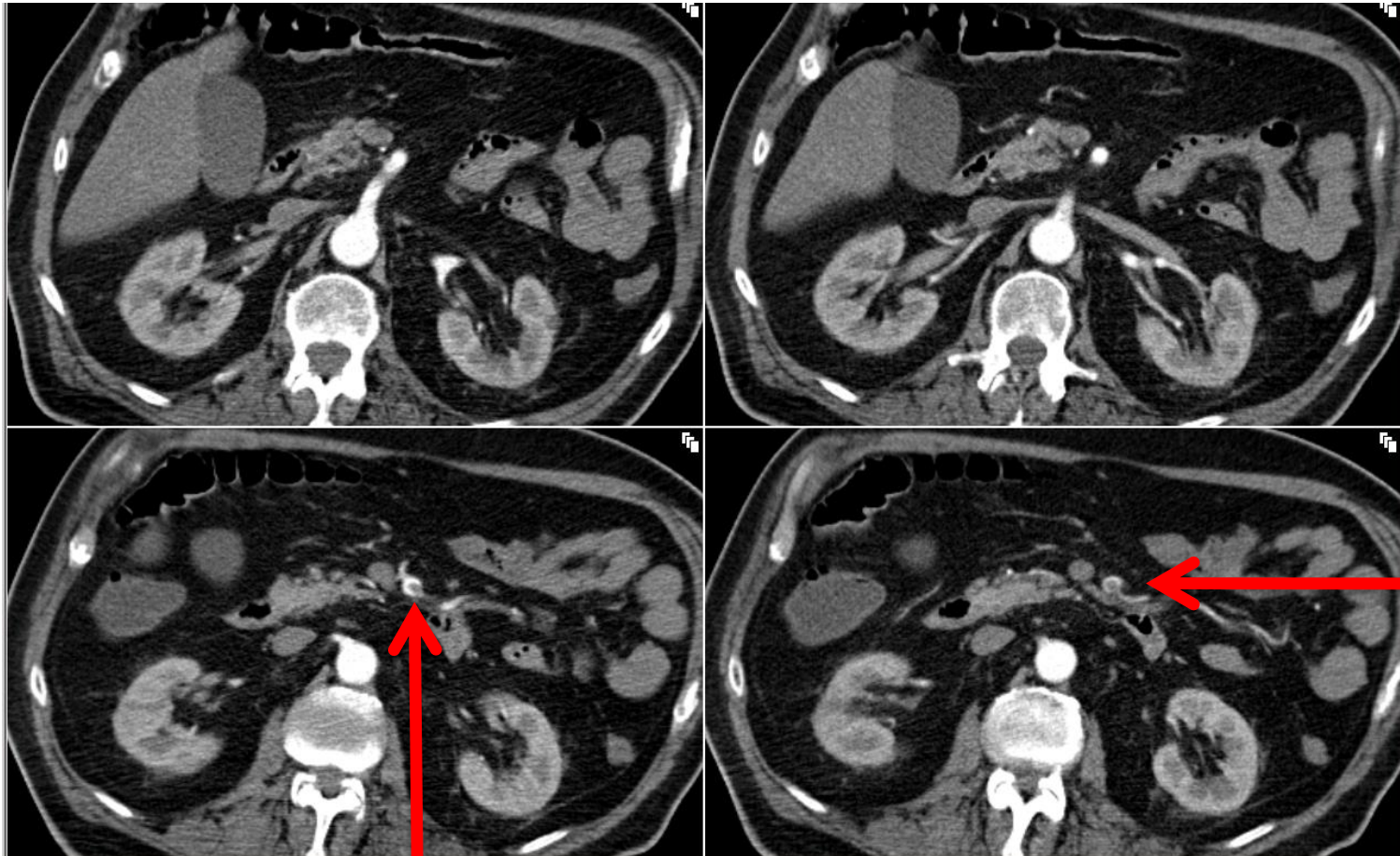




# Mesenteric ischaemia

- AF + abdominal pain
  - = Mesenteric ischaemia until proven otherwise
- Pain out of proportion to clinical signs
- Elevated serum lactate
- CT mesenteric angiography is investigation of choice
  - If stable...





# Mesenteric ischaemia

- **Management**
  - Oxygen
  - IV Fluids
  - Antibiotics
  - Consider anticoagulation – IV heparin
- **Embolus vs thrombus**
  - Onset
  - Preceding symptoms
    - Mesenteric angina
  - Pattern of ischaemia
- **Imaging findings**
  - Non specific
  - Small bowel dilatation
  - Intramural gas
- **Urgent surgery**
  - Resection
  - (Revascularisation)



# More cases

- 86F
- Painful right leg
- Onset of pain four hours ago
- PMH
  - HTN, Previous MI, AF





 **SIMPLY**  
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# Acute Limb Ischaemia



- P
- P
- P
- P
- P
- P

# Acute Limb Ischaemia



- Pain
- Pallor
- Pulselessness
- Paralysis
- Paraesthesia
- Perishing cold



# Acute Limb Ischaemia

- **Embolus**

- Sudden onset
- No preceding symptoms
- Contralateral pulses present
- Source
  - Cardiac
    - Post Mi
    - AF
  - Aneurysm

- **Thrombus**

- May be more gradual onset
- Preceding symptoms
  - Claudication
  - Rest pain
- Absent contralateral pulses





# Acute Limb Ischaemia

- Oxygen
- IV fluid
- IV heparin
- Analgesia
- Investigate
  - But don't delay!
  - Duplex USS
  - CT angiogram
  - Source of embolus
- Revascularisation
  - **<6hrs**
  - Embolus - Embolectomy
  - Thrombus - Bypass/endarterectomy





THANK  
YOU  
AND  
GOOD  
NIGHT

