A case of the appendix myxomas

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Case: 64 years old, men.

Chief complaint: Stomachache.

Clinical history: Because of chronic renal failure, we are treating it by long-term dialysis. Because we reported stomachache, after performing CT, a mass lesion was detected in the ileocecum.

Laboratory findings: There is no that you should mention specially.

Image findings

Simple CT: 3*2cm major oval space-occupying lesions are detected in the ileocecum. The internal resorption level is relatively uniform and is associated with the calcification of the wall partly (Figure 1).

Cystography CT: We show it, but there are no mild augmentation effects in the internal augmentation effect to wall. We contact with a right external iliac artery, but cannot point out the clear invasion (Figure 2).

MRI: T1WI: With the low signal which is relatively uniform in the inside (Figure 3).

T2WI: With the high signal which is relatively uniform in the inside (Figure 4).

Fat suppression T2WI: The inside presents a high signal and cannot point out the region with the signal decrease as compared with T2WI (Figure 5).

Discussion

Viscous liquid accumulates in the peripheral appendix by appendix lumen occluding for some kind of causes aseptically, and appendiceal some or all is in condition to have expanded it, and most are monolocular. The thing appealing for stomachache has the thing discovered accidentally clinically. By the failure of the bulla wall, we may form peritoneal.

Typically, appendix is not contrasted, and a hemispheric smooth eminence projecting into the lumen from the inferior pole of cecum is found in colonic enema examination with contrast material. Also, the orbicular shadow of “the head strap form” is seen in the middle of the eminence when we see an upheaval in detail. We may show the calcification of the wall.

The colonoscopy reveals it as the torose lesion that the wide basis-related surface is smooth in the inferior pole of cecum. The
differentiation with the submucosal tumors such as lipomas becomes the problem. However, it becomes the clue which the disease is suspected in if we show a head strap-formed all circumferences-related pleat.

There were no typical colonic enema findings in this case, but appendix myxomas became suspected in the ileocecum as a bulla-related lesion with the calcification.

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