



# Miscellaneous topics

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# Topics

- . **Hypertrophic Pyloric Stenosis (HPS)**
- . **Intussusception**
- . **Congenital Abdominal Defects (2 types)**
- . **Meckel diverticulum**
- . **Biliary Atresia**

# 1- Hypertrophic Pyloric Stenosis (HPS)

- M:F = 4 : 1
- Risk factors:
  - Family history
  - Male gender
  - Younger maternal age
  - Being a first-born infant
  - Maternal feeding patterns

# Aetiology

## Unknown (multifactorial with environmental influences)

- Genetic factors
  - race discrepancies
  - increased frequency in **males**
  - **first-born infants** with a positive family history)
- Environmental factors
  - method of feeding (breast vs **formula**)
  - seasonal variability
  - exposure to erythromycin
  - **transpyloric feeding** in premature infants
- Other factors
  - excessive substance P
  - decreased neurotrophins
  - deficient nitric oxide synthase
  - gastrin hypersecretion

# Presentation :

Nonbilious, progressive projectile vomiting (of recent feedings)  
full-term neonate  
2-8 weeks old

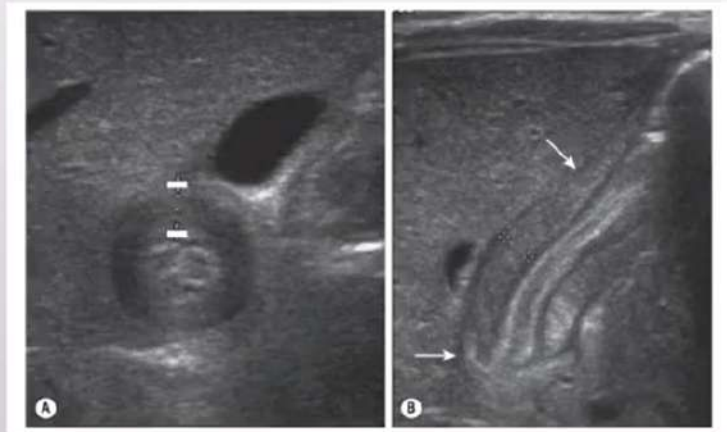
On exam : Usually appears well (early) but if late presentation , they will show signs of dehydration  
Visible gastric peristaltic waves  
Palpable pylorus "olive sign" (70–90% of patients)

Investigations : Hypochloremic hypokalemic metabolic alkalosis

# Diagnosis

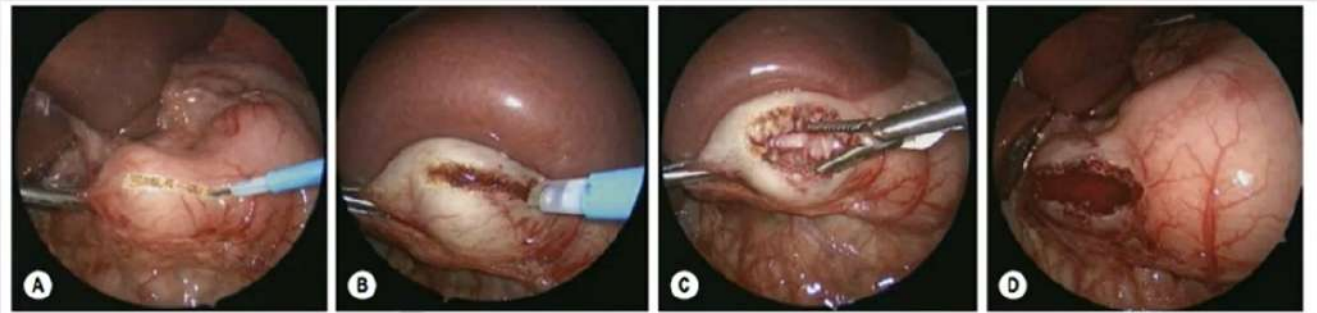
- US: muscle thickness of  $\geq 4$  mm and a pyloric length of  $\geq 16$  mm

When US findings are equivocal, then do Upper gastrointestinal series



# Management

- Preop. supportive measures:
  - NPO+/- gastric decompression
  - IV fluid resuscitation
  - Correction of electrolytes
- Surgery:
  - Non-emergent
  - Laparotomy or laparoscopic Pyloromyotomy



# Complication

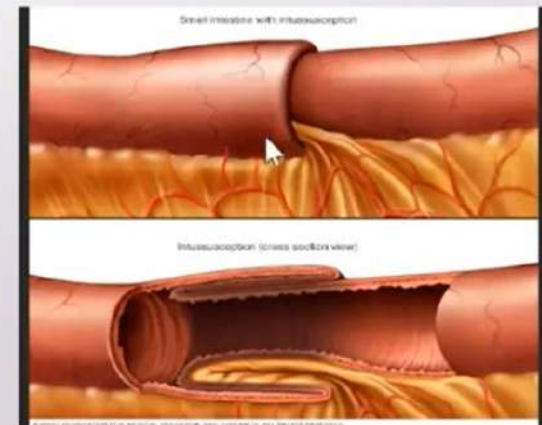
- Mucosal perforation (1-2%)
- Postoperative emesis (occur in most infants)
- Prolonged postoperative emesis  
(less common | due to GER or incomplete myotomy)



## 2. Intussusception

An acquired invagination of the proximal bowel (intussusceptum) into the distal bowel (intussusciens) that will compress the mesentery resulting in venous obstruction and bowel edema → into arterial insufficiency, ischemia and bowel wall necrosis

It is the most common cause of small bowel obstruction in this age group



- Primary : no leading point , likely due to hypertrophied Peyer patches within the bowel wall.
  - between ages 4 and 9 months
  - 2/3 are boys
- Secondary :Meckel diverticulum , polyps and duplications, appendix, hemangiomas, carcinoid tumors, foreign bodies, ectopic pancreas or gastric mucosa, hamartomas from Peutz–Jeghers syndrome and lipomas, lymphomas and small bowel tumors.Henoch–Schönlein purpura and cystic fibrosis, celiac disease and Clostridium difficile colitis

- The classic presentation is an infant or a young child with intermittent, cramping abdominal pain every 15-30 min associated with "currant jelly" stools and a palpable mass on physical examination ( seen in <25%)
- Pain is associated with: Vomiting (gastric early | bile later), Abdominal distension, Lethargy (later), Red currant jelly stools (later), hyperextension and flexion of the knees up
- On exam :  
Signs of dehydrations, Abdominal distension, RUQ mass. Empty RIF ( Dance sign) in quick succession as a result of bacteremia and bowel necrosis.



# Diagnosis

- Xray :



- US :Target' or 'donut' lesion (in transverse plane) , Pseudokidney' sign (on longitudinal plane)



# Management

## Initial management :

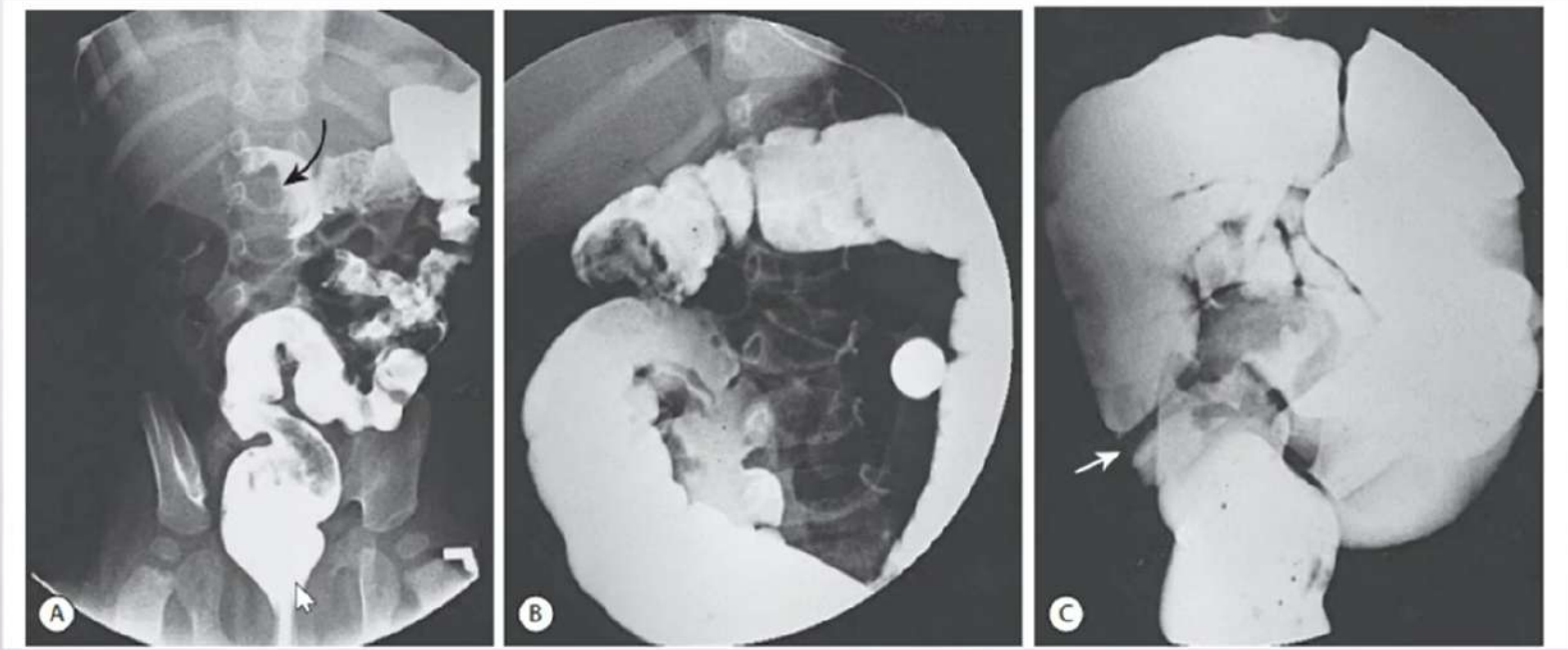
- NGT (to decompress the stomach)
- NPO
- IV fluid resuscitation and maintenance IVF
- correct electrolytes disturbances

## Non operative management

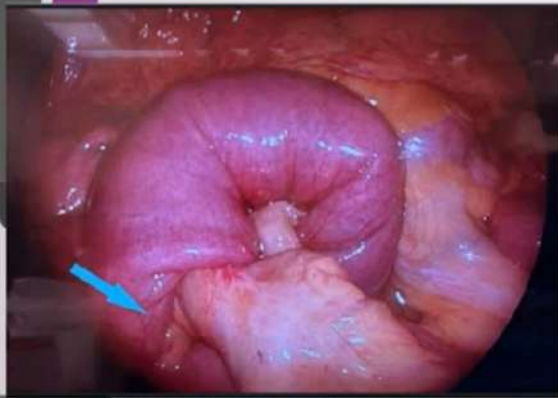
**Hydrostatic/ Pneumatic Reduction** (Under fluoroscopy or ultrasound guidance)

C/I : perforation /peritonitis , persistent hypotension/tachycardia-sepsis

Success rate ~85%



- **Operative management (laparoscopic or open )**
- Indications:
  - Nonoperative reduction is unsuccessful or incomplete
  - Signs of peritonitis/ pneumoperitoneum
  - Presence of a lead point (secondary intussusception)



### 3. Congenital Abdominal Wall Defects (Omphalocele and Gastroschisis)





# A-Gastroschisis

- 1 in 4000 live births
- Higher incidence in mothers younger than 21 years of age
- Diagnosis : AN US by 20 weeks' gestation

Bowel loops **freely floating in the amniotic fluid** and a defect in the abdominal wall to **the right of a normal umbilical cord** + **abnormal maternal serum  $\alpha$ -fetoprotein (AFP) level**, which is universally elevated +/- Intrauterine growth restriction (IUGR)

- Delivery should be in a tertiary centre

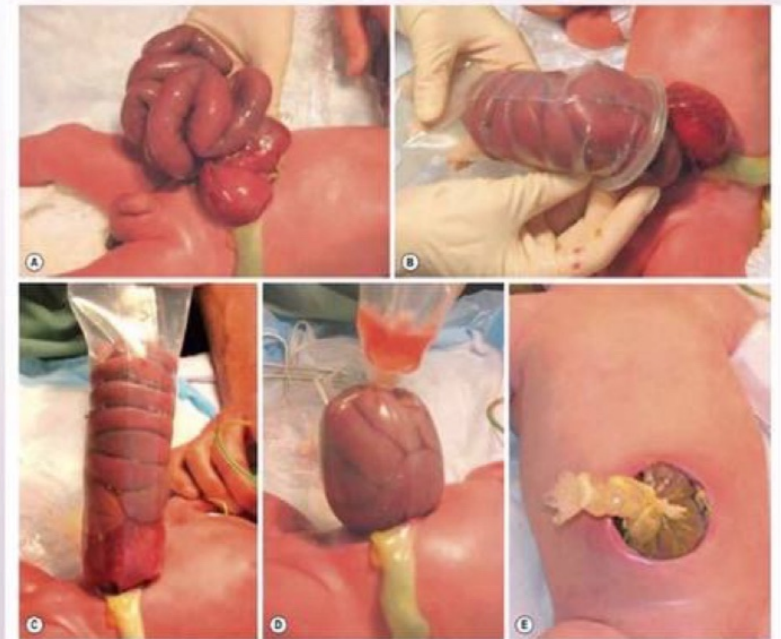


- Gastroschisis is associated with a variable degree of inflammatory thickening of the visceral bowel walls, which results in the characteristic appearance of “matted” intestines
- Associated with intestinal motility disorder , rotational disease , UDT 15-25% , bowel atresia
- Simple VS complicated (atresia ,Short bowel )



# Management

- Resuscitation  
( NPO, NG, IVF, rectal tube to decompress )
- bowel should be wrapped in warm saline-soaked gauze and placed in a central position on the abdominal wall
- Surgery :  
Either Primary closure or Staged closure  
(with silo)



# Long term outcome

- Long-term outcomes for infants born with gastroschisis are generally excellent
- Morbidities related to prematurity , bowel motility and length

## B-Omphalocele

- 1 in 4000–6000.
- Associated with genetic defect and other anomalies (Trisomies 13, 18, 21, and 45 X, Beckwith–Weideman, pentalogy of Cantrell, cardiac (14–47% incidence of anomalies) and central nervous (3–33% anomalies))
- Outcomes depend on associated anomalies
- Long term morbidities : gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), pulmonary insufficiency, recurrent lung infections or asthma, and feeding difficulty with failure to thrive



# Diagnosis

Antenatally :

- → 18-week US evaluation , elevated AFP

(prognostic factor :omphalocele diameter compared with abdominal circumference (O/AC, or omphalocele ratio), the femur length (O/FL), and the head circumference (O/HC), , organ contained inside the sac

- Deliver in a tertiary centre , at term , normal vaginal delivery ( except if it is giant omphalocele and containing liver ( to avoid shoulder dystocia , sac rupture and bleeding )



# Management

- **Resuscitation**

NPO, NG, IVF, rectal tube to decompress )

- **sac should be wrapped in warm saline-soaked gauze** and placed in a central position on the abdominal wall

- **Surgery :**

Primary closure : in small defect , consists of excision of the sac and closure of the fascia and skin over the abdominal content

Staged closure using a mesh or using a silo with serial reduction then closure

paint and wait/ Scarification technique ), in case of giant omphalocele , associated comorbidities )





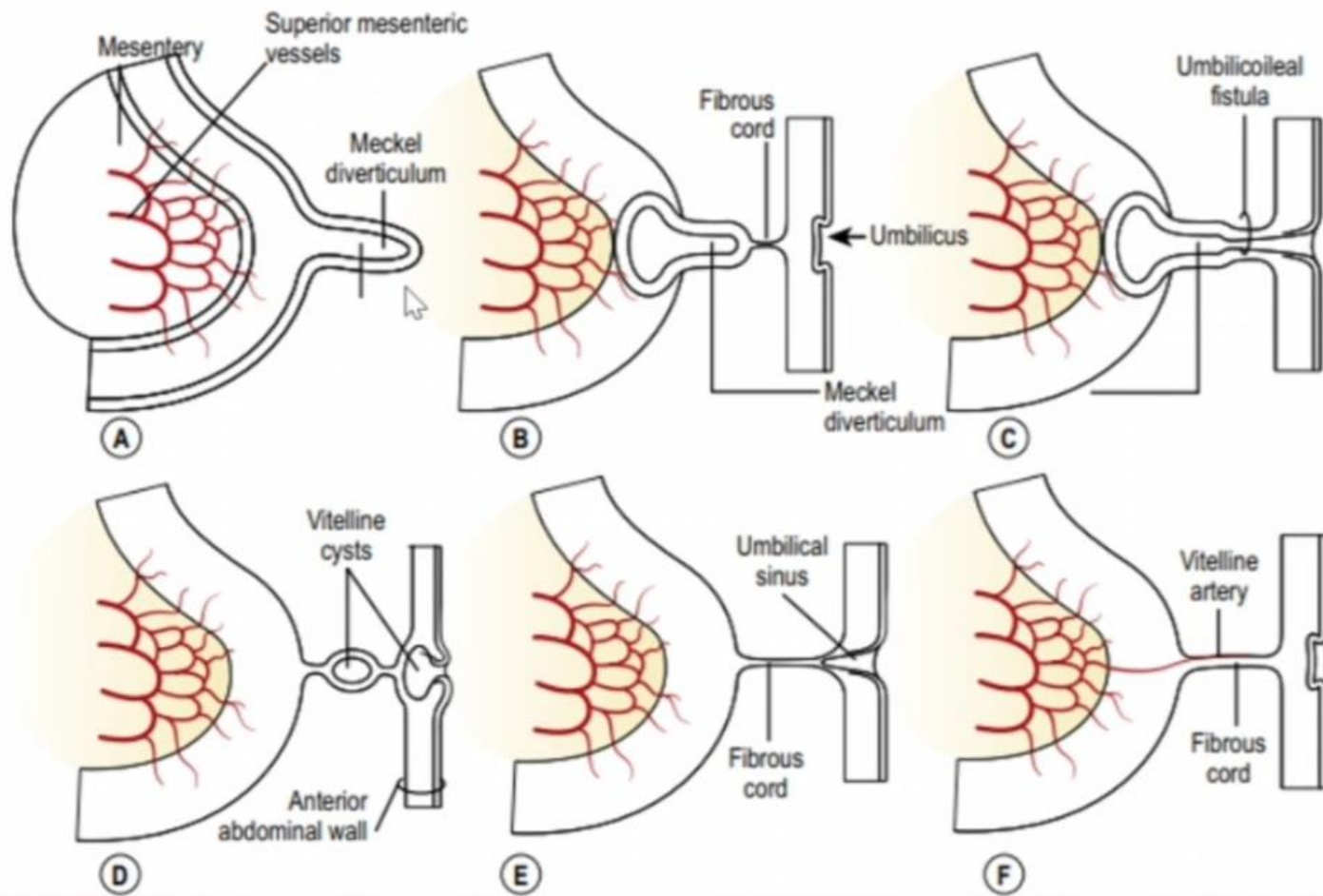
**Table 48.1** Differentiating Characteristics Between Gastroschisis and Omphalocele

<b>Characteristic</b>	<b>Omphalocele</b>	<b>Gastroschisis</b>
Herniated viscera	Bowel $\pm$ liver	Bowel only
Sac	Present	Absent
Associated anomalies	Common (50%)	Uncommon (<10%)
Location of defect	Umbilicus	Right of umbilicus
Mode of delivery	Vaginal/cesarean	Vaginal
Surgical management	Nonurgent	Urgent
Prognostic factors	Associated anomalies	Condition of bowel

## 4. Meckel diverticulum

- True incidence of Meckel diverticulum is unknown because most patients are asymptomatic.
- Estimated at approximately 2%,
- ~ 4% will become symptomatic
- M:F of 2:1
- Rule of 2s : occurs in 2% of the population
  - 2:1 male-to-female ratio
  - discovered by 2 years of age
  - located 2 feet (60 cm) from the ileocecal valve
  - commonly 2 cm in diameter and 2 inches (5 cm) long
  - contain two types of heterotopic mucosa (Gastric is the most common followed by pancreatic)

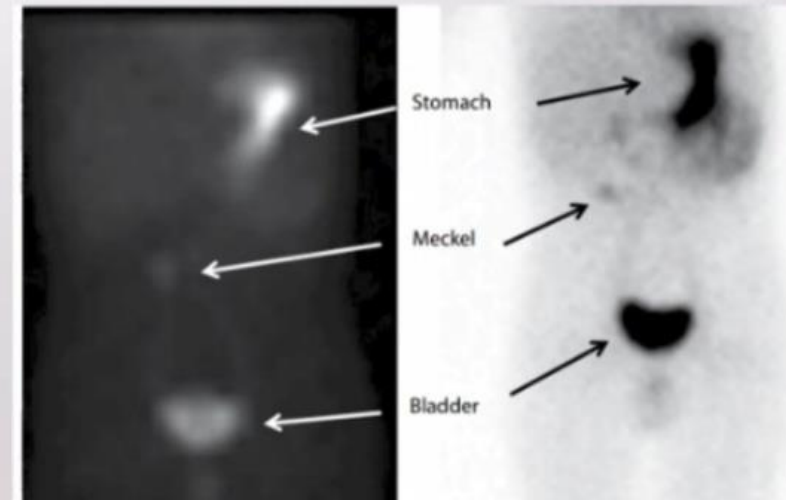


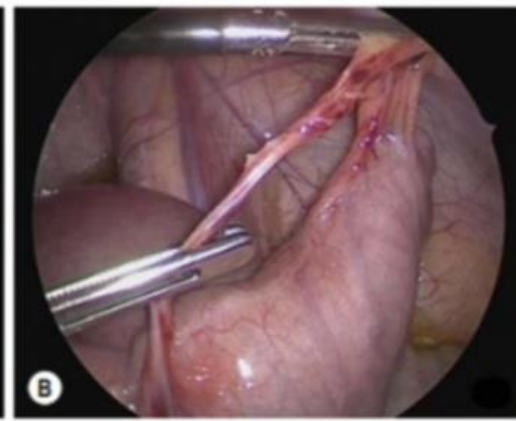
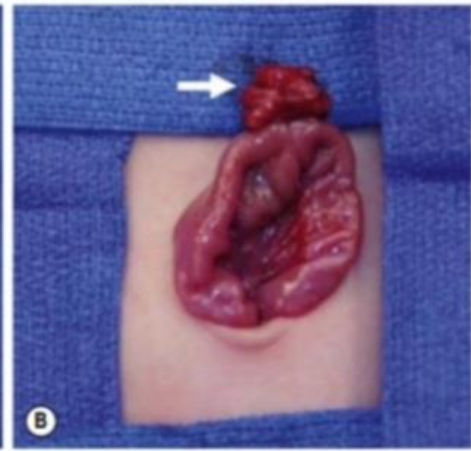
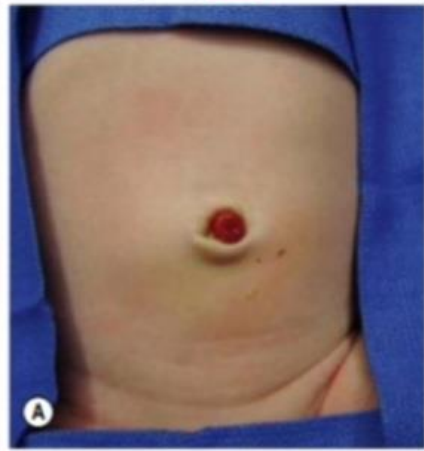


- The three most common presentations in children are **intestinal bleeding (30–56%), intestinal obstruction (14–42%), and diverticular inflammation (6–14)**
- Less common signs include a cystic abdominal mass and a newborn with an umbilical fistula resulting from a patent vitelline duct, In elderly, neoplasia can develop within the Meckel diverticulum. (Carcinoid is the most common tumor)

# Diagnosis

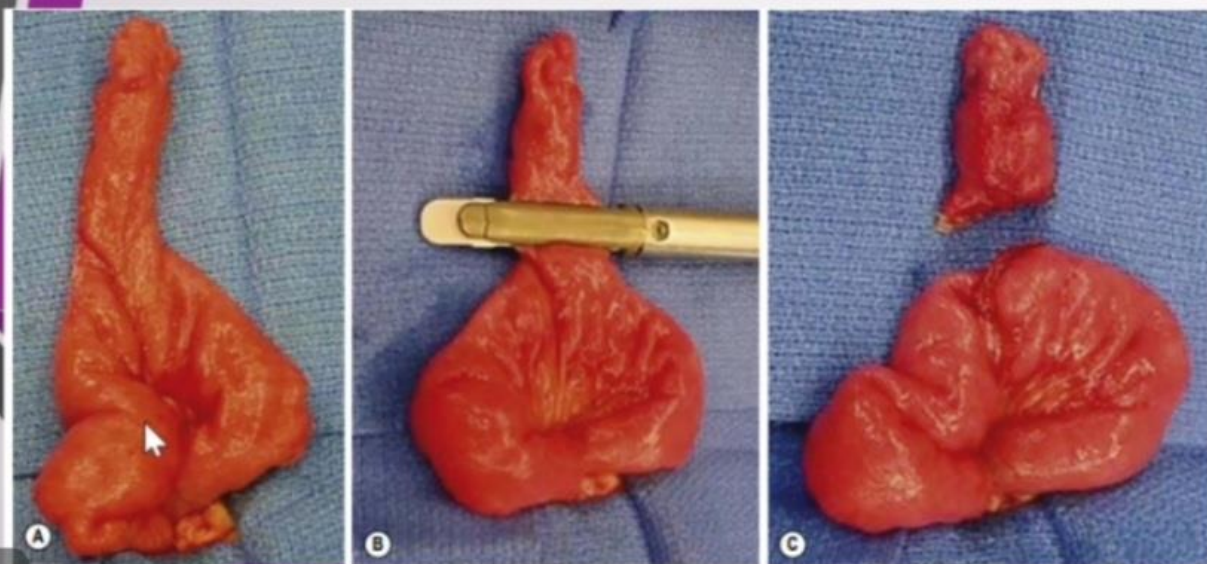
- In patients presenting with obstruction or inflammation, the diagnosis of a Meckel diverticulum is not usually definitively determined preoperatively
- US and CT might be helpful
- In case of bleeding diverticulum, technetium-99m pertechnetate radionuclide study (Meckel scan), false negative 25%





# Management

- Stabilize the patient in case of bleeding
- Surgery : open or laparoscopic diverticulum resection or segmental bowel resection + anastomosis



## 5- Biliary atresia

- Biliary atresia (BA) is a relatively rare obstructive condition of the bile ducts causing neonatal jaundice
- It is a sclerosing cholangiopathy that represents the most common cause of end-stage liver disease and the most common indication for liver transplantation in children
- The incidence of BA varies around the world ( Europe: 1 in 18,000 live births; France: 1 in 19,500 live births; UK and Ireland: 1 in 16,700 live births; Japan: 1 in 9640 live births
- The highest recorded incidence is in French Polynesia (1 in 3000live births).
- There is a slight female preponderance



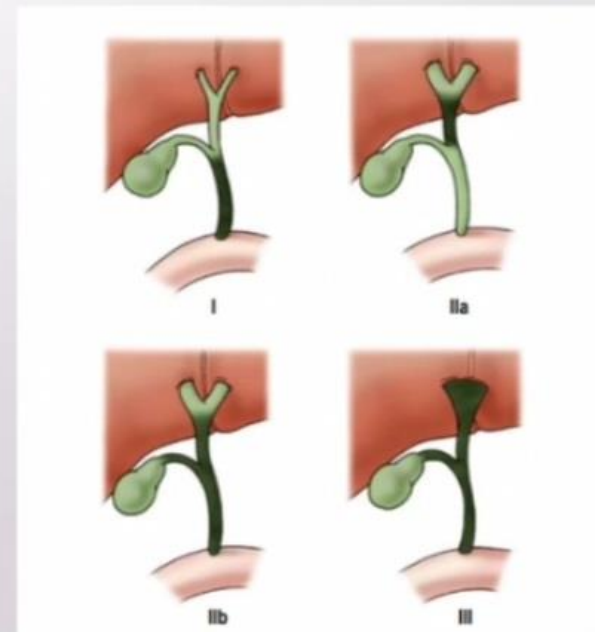
- It is an isolated disease of term infants in 85% of cases. In the remainder of affected patients, it occurs as part of a syndrome, the most common of which is BASM (biliary atresia, splenic malformation (asplenia or polysplenia) and malrotation).
- The etiology is multifactorial (intrauterine or perinatal viral infection, immunologically mediated inflammation and other autoimmune/ genetic factors, exposure to toxins, abnormal ductal plate remodeling, a vascular or metabolic insult )

- BA is classified according to anatomic and cholangiographic findings.

Type I is atresia of the common bile duct

type IIa is atresia of the common hepatic duct, type IIb is atresia of the common bile duct and the common hepatic duct

Type III is atresia of all extrahepatic bile ducts up to the porta hepatis



# Presentation

- Signs suggestive of BA are jaundice, pale stools, and hepatomegaly.
- Anemia, malnutrition, and growth retardation ensue because of malabsorption of nutrients and fat-soluble vitamins.

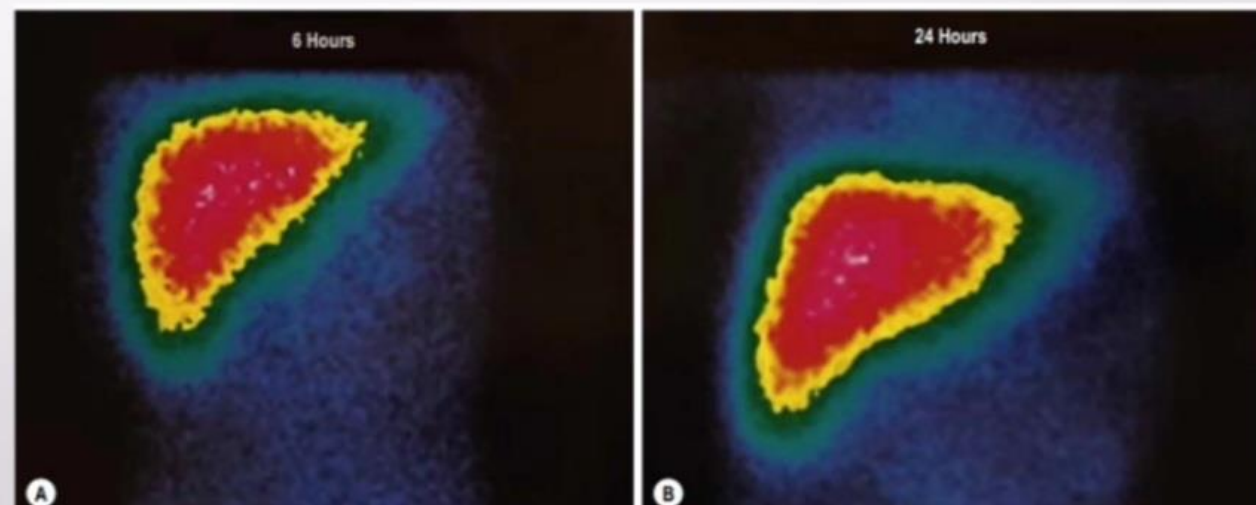
## Box 43.1 Diagnosing Biliary Atresia

### Routine Assessments

- Stool color
- Consistency of the liver on palpation
- Conventional liver function tests plus  $\gamma$ -glutamyl transpeptidase
- Coagulation (prothrombin time, activated partial thromboplastin time)
- Ultrasonography
- Hepatobiliary scintigraphy

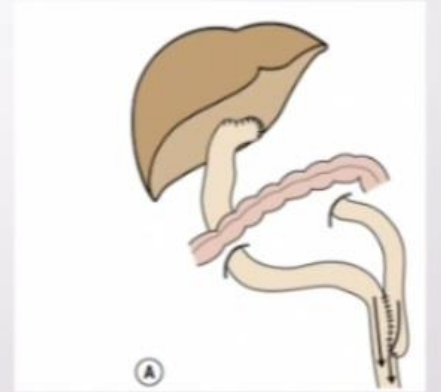
### Specific Investigations

- Histobiochemical
- Hepatitis A, B, C serology
- TORCH titers
- $\alpha$ 1-Antitrypsin
- Serum lipoprotein-X
- Serum bile acids
- Confirmation of extrahepatic bile duct patency
- Duodenal fluid aspiration
- Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP)
- Near-infrared reflectance spectroscopy
- Needle biopsy
- Direct observation (open or laparoscopic)
- Surgical cholangiography



# Surgery

- ROUX-EN-Y LIMB AND ENTEROTOMY FOR PORTOENTEROSTOMY (kassir procedure)
- Liver tx
- The indications for liver transplantation following portoenterostomy are: (1) lack of bile drainage; (2) signs of developmental retardation or its sequelae; and (3) presence of socially unacceptable complications/side effects.



# outcome

- Classically, the major determinants of satisfactory outcome after portoenterostomy are
  - (1) **age at** initial operation
  - (2) successful achievement of postoperative bile flow
  - (3) presence of microscopic ductal structures at the porta hepatis
  - (4) the extent of liver parenchymal disease at the time of diagnosis
  - (5) technical factors involving the portoenterostomy anastomosis
  - (6) CMV status , syndromic or isolated
- Following a successful Kasai operation, pigmented stool is usually seen within 2–3 weeks
- Such success is typically seen in  $\frac{2}{3}$  of patients, but is maintained into adulthood in only  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the patients with initial jaundice clearance.
- liver transplantation will be required in  $\frac{2}{3}$  of patients at some point in their life.

# Post op complications

- Cholangitis
- Fat, protein, and mineral malabsorption
- Failure to thrive
- Portal hypertension
- HEPATOPULMONARY SYNDROME AND PORTOPULMONARY HYPERTENSION
- INTRAHEPATIC BILE LAKE CYSTS
- HEPATIC MALIGNANCY



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