

| Esophagus | Clinical presentation | Diagnosis | Treatment |
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| Achalasia | Dysphagia to solids and liquids, progressive. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barium swallow (best initial test): bird's beak appearance. - Upper endoscopy. - Manometry (diagnostic): high resting pressure of LES, no relaxation. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pneumodilation (endoscopic balloon). - Heller's myotomy Complication: GERD - Botulinum toxin injection. |
| Diffuse esophageal spasm, Nutcracker esophagus (AKA. Jackhammer esophagus) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Atypical chest pain, intermittent, not related to exertion. - Intermittent dysphagia. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barium swallow: corkscrew appearance. - Manometry (diagnostic): High intensity, intermittent, disorganized contractions. DES → aperistaltic Nutcracker → peristaltic | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CCB (diltiazem/ nifedipine) + nitrates: 1st line. - Isosorbide dinitrate or sildenafil: 2nd line. - Botox injection: 3rd line. |
| Esophageal webs and rings | Intermittent dysphagia to solids, not progressive. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barium swallow - Endoscopy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Endoscopic dilation |
| Esophageal stricture | Constant dysphagia, slowly progressive. History of GERD, or prolonged NG tube placement, or alkali ingestion. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barium swallow - Endoscopy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Endoscopic dilation |
| Sclerodema esophagus | Dysphagia for solids, progressive. Heartburn. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clinical - Manometry | Treat the reflux with PPI, follow up every 2-3 months |
| Zenker's diverticulum | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Oropharyngeal dysphagia (difficulty initiating swallowing). - Posterior neck mass. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barium swallow *endoscopy and NG are <u>contraindicated</u> (risk of perforation) | Surgical resection. |
| Hiatal hernia | Most cases are | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barium swallow. | Type 1: 85% medical (PPIs) |

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| | <p>asymptomatic.</p> <p>Type 1 (sliding): GERD symptoms.</p> <p>Type 2 (paraesophageal): dysphagia, gastric ulcer and strangulation if mechanical obstruction.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Endoscopy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type 1 → GE junction herniates into the thorax. Type 2 → GE in its normal location. | <p>15% surgical</p> <p>Type 2: surgical only</p> |
| GERD | <p>Heartburn, water brush, regurgitation.</p> <p>Cough, wheezing.</p> <p>Dysphagia due to stricture</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clinical - Should do endoscopy if alarm symptoms (dysphagia, odynophagia, nausea, vomiting, UGIB, anemia, weight loss, failure to respond to PPI..). - Esophageal 24 hour PH monitoring: <u>gold standard</u> (when atypical symptoms, refractory GERD or negative endoscopy): Drop in esophageal pH to 4 or less that correlate with symptoms of acid reflux (normal esophageal PH is 7). | <p>Medical (PPIs, H2 blockers).</p> <p><u>Indications for surgery:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>1. Failure of medical treatment.</u> <u>2. Respiratory problems.</u> <u>3. Severe esophageal injury</u> <p>Surgical:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lap Nissen: 360 fundoplication. - Belsey mark IV: 270 fundoplication. - Toupet procedure: 200 wrap. - Hill procedure. |
| Esophageal cancer | <p>Constant Dysphagia to solids rapidly progressive to liquids.</p> <p>Weight loss, anorexia.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barium swallow - Endoscopy and biopsy <p>For staging:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Endoscopic US (for T and N) -CT and PET (for N and M) | <p>T1,T2 and N0 → surgery</p> <p>T3,T4a→ neoadjuvant chemo/radio then surgery.</p> <p>Stage 4 (M1) → primary chemoradiotherapy.</p> <p>Adjuvant chemo. For residual N1, or R1, R2 resection.</p> |

Esophageal adenocarcinoma

Squamous cell carcinoma

General risk factors:

Old age, male gender, smoking, alcohol, history of radiation to the mediastinum.

Risk factors:

- GERDs → Barret's esophagus → dysplasia
- H. pylori
- EGF polymorphism

Risk factors:

- Irritation to the mucosa.
- Hot beverages
- Underlying esophageal disease (achalasia, stricture, web).
- Dietary: Nitrosamines (e.g. Red meat), pickled vegetables, low folate and zinc.
- Toxin producing fungi (e.g. aflatoxin)
- Prior gastrectomy.
- Tylosis (inherited condition that causes thickening of the skin of palms and soles, and white lesion inside the mouth)

Lower 1/3 of the esophagus

Endoscopy: Lesions similar to Barret's esophagus.

Invades celiac lymph nodes.

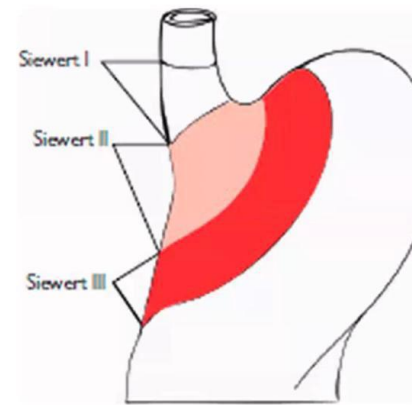
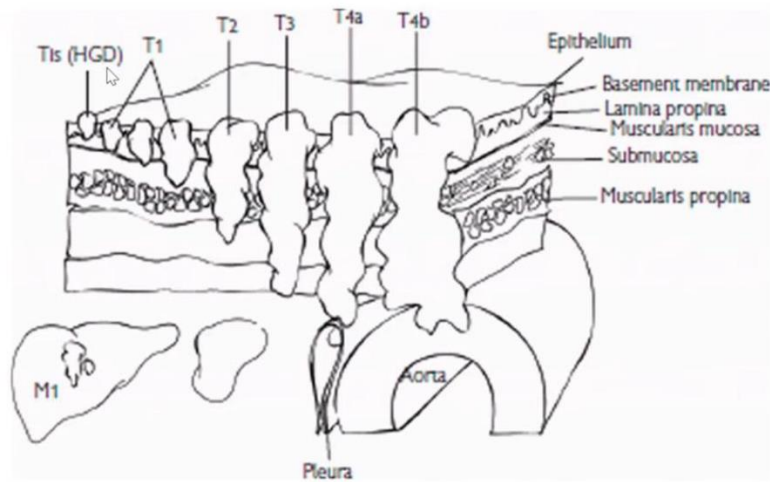
Upper 2/3 of the esophagus

Polypoid, white plaques, or scar-like lesions.

Invades cervical and mediastinal lymph nodes.

Could invade the trachea causing tracheoesophageal fistula, aorta causing bleeding, recurrent laryngeal nerve causing hoarseness of voice, sympathetic nerves causing horner's syndrome.

Siewert classification of distal esophageal tumors.



Siewert 1 (above LES) → resection of Esophagus only.
 Siewert 2 (involve LES) → resection of esophagus with negative gastric margins.
 Siewert 3 (below LES) → resection of esophagus and the whole Stomach.

stage 1A: T1N0M0
 1B: T2N0M0

2A: T3N0M0
 2B: T1/2N1M0

3A: T4aN0M0, T3N1M0, T1/2N2M0;
 3B: T3N2M0; 3C: T4aN1/2M0, T4bN0-3M0 T1-4N3M0;

4: T1-4N1-3M1

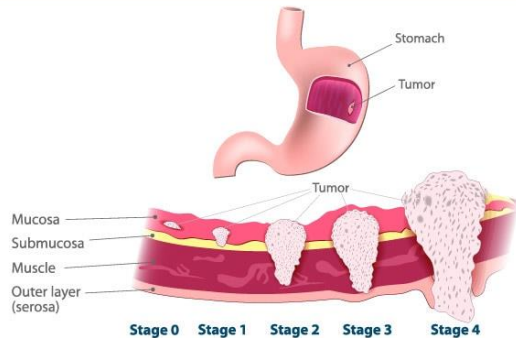
(staging depends mostly on LN involvement)

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| Peptic ulcer disease | <p>Epigastric pain Gastric: increase after eating → weight loss Peptic ulcer: relieved with food intake → weight gain</p> | <p>Endoscopy is performed when there is dyspepsia + alarming symptom or age > 60 years. Endoscopy and biopsy to test for H. pylori (histology, rapid urease test, culture, PCR).</p> <p>If no alarming symptom: non-invasive tests for H. pylori (urea breath test, stool antigen, serology).</p> | <p>Medical: eradication of H. pylori, stop NSAIDs. <u>Indications for surgery:</u> <u>Acute complication (bleeding, perforation, obstruction), non-healing peptic ulcer.</u> Surgery options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Highly selective vagotomy (preserve the fibers to the pylorus). - Selective vagotomy (cut the nerve supply to the whole stomach) - Truncal vagotomy → Requires drainage procedure: pyloroplasty, antrectomy and anastomosis: Billroth I: anastomosis with |

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| | | | <p>duodenum.</p> <p>Billroth II: anastomosis with jejunum.</p> |
| Perforated PUD | <p>Sudden onset diffuse abdominal pain and rigidity (peritonitis),</p> <p>Fever, tachycardia, tachypnea, hypotension.</p> | <p>Clinical</p> <p>Chest X-ray: air under diaphragm</p> | <p>Conservative: IV fluid, IV antibiotics, IV PPI, analgesics.</p> <p>Surgical: (urgent)</p> <p>Graham patch (using a piece of omentum to close the perforation) +/- vagotomy.</p> |
| Gastric adenocarcinoma | <p>Early: nonspecific symptoms of epigastric discomfort and indigestion.</p> <p>Late: weight loss, dysphagia, anorexia, early satiety, vomiting.</p> <p>Late signs: Abdominal mass, Virchow node, Sister Mary Joseph's nodule, Krukenberg tumor (ovarian mets).</p> | <p>Upper endoscopy and biopsy (7 biopsies from ulcer edges)</p> <p>For staging:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Endoscopic US -CT and PET -Chest X-ray, LFT, exploratory laparotomy (to detect mets) | <p>T1 → curative surgery.</p> <p>T2 or higher → neoadjuvant chemo. then surgery +/- adjuvant chemo.</p> <p>M1 → palliative.</p> <p>Proximal or midbody tumor → total gastrectomy.</p> <p>Distal tumor → subtotal gastrectomy.</p> <p>Then anastomosis (Billroth II) or Roux-Y.</p> <p>Lymph node dissection: usually D1 and D2.</p> <p>Endoscopic mucosal resection (EMR): for early gastric cancer.</p> |
| GIST (60% in stomach, 30% in small bowel) | | <p>Endoscopy and biopsy</p> <p>C-KIT mutation positive</p> | <p>Laparoscopic resection with 2 cm negative margins.</p> <p>Adjuvant chemo.: tyrosine kinase inhibitor (imatinib).</p> <p>No need for lymph node resection.</p> |

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| Gastric MALToma | 70-80 years of age Nonspecific symptoms (fatigue weight loss) | Endoscopy and biopsy + H. pylori test (90% associated with H. pylori) | Low grade → H. pylori eradication High grade → radio/chemotherapy. |
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Stages of Stomach Cancer



Staging depends mostly on T (wall invasion)

T1, T2 → stage 1

T3, T4 → stage 2 and 3

M1 → stage 4

Gastric adenocarcinoma (95%): Lauren classification

| Intestinal type (70%) | Diffuse type (30%) |
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| Arise from gastric mucosa | Arise from lamina propria (no glands), composed of signet ring cells |
| Distal part of the stomach | More in Proximal part of the stomach, but could be found anywhere in the stomach |
| Well- formed glandular structure | Thickening of the stomach (linitis plastica) |
| In old age group and in men | In young age group and in women |
| Associated with H. pylori and atrophic gastritis | Associated with blood type A and familial cases suggesting genetic etiology |
| Well differentiated | Poorly differentiated |
| Hematogenous spread | Transmural and Lymphatic spread |

Most common site of GI lymphoma and GIST is stomach, then small bowel.

Most common gastric lymphoma is diffuse large B-cell lymphoma. Other types include: MALToma (marginal zone lymphoma), Burkitt's lymphoma, mantle cell lymphoma.

| Bariatric surgeries | |
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| Sleeve gastrectomy | Roux-en-Y gastric bypass |
| Restrictive | Combined (restrictive and malabsorptive) |
| 60-70% excess weight loss | 70-80% EWL |
| Weight loss is slower | Faster weight loss and better for very high BMI |
| 40% regain weight | Less possibility of weight regain |
| Worsens GERD (high pressure zone) | Better for GERD and hiatal hernia patients |
| Better for non sweet eaters | Better for sweet eaters |
| Preferred in type 1 diabetes | type 2 diabetes remission |
| | Dumping syndrome |
| | Risk of internal hernia (due to mesenteric defect) |
| Need lifelong supplementation | Need lifelong supplementation |
| | Not preferred in smokers (high risk of anastomotic ulcers and leak) |

| Liver | Clinical presentation | diagnosis | Treatment |
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| Pyogenic liver abscess (MCC is E.coli) | RUQ pain and tenderness, fever, jaundice, hepatomegaly, features of sepsis | CBC: leukocytosis LFT: elevated alk. Phosphatase High ESR, CRP Positive blood culture Abdominal CT or US (confirmatory) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IV antibiotics including Metronidazole. - Percutaneous drainage. - surgical drainage is indicated if multiple, loculated abscesses or failure of percutaneous drainage. |

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| Amebic liver abscess (Entameba histolytica) | <p>Same May be preceded by diarrhea due to intestinal amebiasis</p> | <p>Serological antibody detection</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Medical (metronidazole IV). - Percutaneous drainage/ surgical only if refractory to metronidazole or bacterial co-infection or rupture. |
| Hydatid cyst (echinococcus granulosus) | <p>Latency (asymptomatic). RUQ pain, palpable mass. Cyst rupture or suppuration → anaphylactic reaction (could be fatal)</p> | <p>Mild eosinophilia Serological antibodies detection Ultrasound: Hydatid sand (scolec), water lily sign, honeycomb sign, eggshell calcification. CT scan</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Medical: albendazole/ praziquantel - Percutaneous drainage: use PAIR procedure (puncture, aspiration, injection, reaspiration). - Surgical: cystectomy + pericystectomy |
| Benign liver neoplasms: Hemangioma > focal nodular hyperplasia > hepatocellular adenoma | <p>Females 30-50 years. Mostly asymptomatic. Large tumors: RUQ abdominal pain. If rupture or bleeding (higher risk in HCA) → life-threatening hemorrhage.</p> | <p>Initial: RUQ Ultrasound Contrast enhanced CT scan Or contrast enhanced MRI.</p> <p>CT hemangioma: centripetal enhancement. CT FNH: central stellate scar.</p> | <p>Hemangioma and FNH: conservative Resection only if symptomatic by compression. HCA: surgical resection in males. Females → life style change (stop OCPs) and MRI after 6 months → if size >5 cm: surgical resection. If < 5 cm: annual MRI. (Male sex and lesion > 5 cm</p> |

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| | | | carry high risk for malignant transformation) |
| Hepatocellular carcinoma | M>F Increase with age. In cirrhosis from any etiology ,HBV infection. Asymptomatic early, symptoms of cirrhosis decompensation late (e.g. variceal hemorrhage). Paraneoplastic: hypoglycemia (IGF2), erythrocytosis (EPO), hypercalcemia, diarrhea. | Elevated AFP (not specific). Contrast enhanced CT or MRI → diagnostic. No need for biopsy except if dx is uncertain. | -surgical resection. -Liver transplantation <u>Milan criteria</u> : solitary HCC < 5cm or up to three <3cm, no vascular invasion, no LNs involvement, no distant mets. -Locoregional ablation therapy (thermal, TACE, TARE) |
| Fibrolamellar carcinoma (subtype of HCC) | No male predominance. Younger age group (5-35 years). No cirrhosis or risk factors. Normal AFP. Better prognosis. | | |
| Intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma | Risk factors: PSC, choledochal cyst. RUQ pain, weight loss, elevated ALP. | Tumor markers: CA19-9, CEA, AFP. CT/ MRI. | Surgical resection. Preoperative portal vein embolization permits a margin negative resection. |
| Hepatoblastoma | Children (first 2 years of life). M>F Rapid growth, rupture and hemorrhage can lead to death. | Elevated AFP | Chemotherapy then surgery |
| Epithelioid hemangioendothelioma | Middle-age females. Low grade tumor, high rate of metastasis. High risk of budd-chiari syndrome. | | |
| Angiosarcoma | Old men (>60 years old). | | |

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| | High grade tumor. Budd-chiari is rare. Hepatomegaly+-splenomegaly, thrombocytopenia, rupture and bleeding can lead to death. | | |
| Secondary liver tumors | Mostly asymptomatic, symptoms of primary cancer, carcinoid syndrome if NET. | -CEA → for colorectal liver metastasis. -US (conventional, contrast enhanced, EUS, intraop. US). -CT with contrast (triphasic: arterial, porto-venous, delayed). -MRI -Histology -Immunohistochemical: to determine the tissue of origin). | CRLM: Surgical resection, locally ablative therapy, adjuvant and neoadjuvant chemo. |

| Biliary tree | Clinical presentation | diagnosis | Treatment |
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| Gallstones (cholelithiasis) | 80% asymptomatic. If symptomatic: intermittent RUQ abdominal pain < 6 hours, radiates to the right subscapular area, precipitated by eating fatty meals, nausea and vomiting | RUQ US: hyperechoic stones in the gallbladder, posterior acoustic shadow. *Most gallstones are radiolucent so they don't appear on X-ray. | Lap. Chole. Indications: Symptomatic Asymptomatic and: -Porcelain gallbladder, gallbladder polyp, gallstone >3cm (due to increased risk of CA). -Hyperbilirubinemia. -DM, immunosuppression (increased risk of complications). |

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| Cholecystitis | <p>RUQ pain > 6 hours, severe, postprandial, radiates to the right scapula. Positive murphy's sign. Painful palpable gallbladder. Fever, elevated WBC count.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RUQ US: thick gallbladder wall (>3 mm), dilated gallbladder (>8x4 cm), pericholecystic fluid, gallstone or cystic duct stone. - HIDA scan: filling defect of the gallbladder after 4 hrs. | <p>IVF, NPO, IV antibiotics. Lap. Chole. Within 24-48 hours (urgent)</p> <p>In high risk and unstable patients (grade 3 tokyo – MOD) → cholecystostomy tube.</p> |
| Choledocolithiasis (CBD stone) | <p>RUQ pain, jaundice, nausea and vomiting, pale stool, dark urine, pruritis, steatorrhea (obstructive jaundice)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Elevated LFTs, bilirubin, amylase, lipase. - RUQ US: dilated CBD > 6mm. - MRCP (intermediate likelihood) - ERCP (high likelihood): diagnostic and therapeutic. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ERCP: sphincterotomy and stone extraction with a basket or balloon. - Interval cholecystectomy (within 72 hrs) |
| Ascending cholangitis | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. RUQ pain 2. jaundice 3. fever (Charcot's triad) 4. shock 5. altered mental status (Reynold's pentade: indicates suppurative cholangitis and sepsis) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Elevated LFTs, bilirubin, amylase, lipase, <u>leukocytosis, elevated CRP, fever.</u> - RUQ US: dilated CBD. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NPO, IVF, IV antibiotics. - ERCP: biliary drainage and stone extraction if present (emergent). Or: PTC with catheter Or: open drainage with T-tube - Interval cholecystectomy (6-8 weeks) |
| Primary sclerosing cholangitis | <p>Signs of cholestasis (jaundice, dark urine pale stool, pruritis, fatigue). Could lead to acute cholangitis. Symptoms of concomitant IBD.</p> | <p>ERCP: beads of string appearance. Positive P-ANCA</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Endoscopic balloon dilations and stent placement. - resection of the affected ducts and hepatoenteric anastomosis. |

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| <p>Choledocal cyst type I. Fusiform/ diffuse dilatation (75%) II. Isolated saccular diverticulum. III. localized dilatation of intradudenal part of CBD. IV. Multiple cystic dilatations inside and outside liver. V. Single/ multiple lesions only intrahepatic. (ex: caroli's disease)</p> | <p>Age < 10 years (congenital) F > M Triad: Jaundice, RUQ pain, RUQ mass</p> | <p>Ultrasound or CT</p> | <p>Excision of the cyst. Type I & IV: hepatojejunostomy. Type II: cyst excision. Type III: cyst unroofing and sphincteroplasty. Type V: hemihepatectomy.</p> |
| <p>Cholangiocarcinoma</p> | <p>Extrahepatic: Painless obstructive jaundice + nontender palpable gallbladder (Courvoisier's sign).</p> | <p>Elevated CA 19-9 US/CT/MRCP/ERCP with biopsy</p> | <p>Proximal: resection + hepaticojuenostomy. Distal: Whipple procedure.</p> |

| Pancreas | Clinical presentation | diagnosis | Treatment |
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| <p>Acute pancreatitis</p> | <p>Severe epigastric pain that radiates to the back, nausea, vomiting, fever</p> | <p>Elevated amylase and lipase > 3X upper limit of normal. CT: only if complications are suspected (no improvement after 48 hours) US: to detect the presence of gallbladder stones, pancreatic edema. AXR: Sentinel loop sign, colon cut-off sign.</p> | <p>NPO + IVF + Analgesia. If biliary → interval cholecystectomy.</p> |

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| Necrotizing pancreatitis | fever, persistent tachycardia, or insufficient symptomatic improvement over several days. If infected: persistent or worsening leukocytosis, bacteremia, increasing inflammatory markers. | CT: nonenhanced areas in the pancreatic parenchyma. Infective: CT: gas within the pancreas. CT guided FNA of necrotic tissue. | Conservative. If infected: broad spectrum antibiotics. Drainage if didn't improve with Abs. |
| Walled-off necrosis | After 4 weeks of onset of necrotizing pancreatitis | CT: encapsulated heterogeneous collection containing fluid and debris | percutaneous drainage or transmural endoscopic necrosectomy. |
| Pancreatic pseudocyst | After 4 weeks of acute pancreatitis. Recurrent or persistent upper abdominal pain, Nausea and vomiting, Mild fever, Weight loss. Epigastric mass | US: fluid filled mass CT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Endoscopic drainage. - ERCP with transpapillary stent: if communicating. - Operative drainage: Internal: via cystogastrostomy or duodenostomy. External drainage (percutaneous). - Excision. |
| Pancreatic abscess | | CT with FNA and gram stain or culture | Antibiotics and percutaneous drain placement |
| Hemorrhagic pancreatitis | Shock, tachycardia Signs: Cullen's sign, grey turner sign, fox sign | Reduced Hb and Hct CT | Embolization of the affected vessel |
| Chronic pancreatitis | Abdominal pain, steatorrhea, insulin dependent DM, weight loss, nausea, vomiting | X-ray: calcification CT: calcification MRCP: chain of lakes appearance of the pancreatic duct | Supportive (Creon, fat soluble vitamins, insulin..) Surgical: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Puestow procedure: pancreaticojujenostomy. |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Beger procedure: resection of the pancreatic head. - Frey procedure: both - Whipple procedure. - Distal pancreatectomy. <p>Total pancreatectomy</p> |
| Pancreatic cancer | <p>Painless obstructive jaundice. Nausea, vomiting, weight loss, fatigue, abdominal pain, nontender palpable gallbladder (Courvoisier's sign).</p> | <p>CA 19-9 is elevated in 75%. US: dilated CBD without stone. CT: double duct sign (dilatation of both pancreatic duct and CBD duct), calcifications.. EUS: to detect small masses if CT was negative and malignancy is still suspected, to take biopsy for chemo. or if not sure whether the mass is malignant or benign. Diagnostic laparoscopy: to upgrade the tumor (20% are found to be nonresectable after laparoscopy).</p> | <p>Whipple procedure</p> <p>Contraindications of resection: Liver mets, peritoneal implants, celiac LN involvement, hepatic hilar LN involvement, involvement of >180 of celiac axis, hepatic artery or SMA</p> <p>Palliative: -bile duct stent or choledocojuenostomy. -If duodenal obstruction: bypass gastrojuenostomy. -narcotics or celiac plexus nerve block</p> |

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