

Stump Appendicitis – An Overlooked Clinical Entity

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Abstract

Stump appendicitis is a rare disease, often overlooked. The possibility of stump appendicitis is not clear to all clinicians. It can represent a diagnostic dilemma if the treating physician is not aware of this uncommon disease. Presenting symptoms are indistinguishable from those of primary appendicitis. We present two cases of stump appendicitis operated in our department and their treatment. A heightened awareness of the possibility of this disease can lead to good initial surgical technique and prevention, and to early diagnosis in the event of stump appendicitis.

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