# Haemorrhagic Shock A diagnostic riddle









#### **Presentation**



- 27 year old male patient with
- 2 Episodes of blood in stools since morning
- Extreme generalized weakness
- Very pale looking

#### **On Examination**



- Drowsy but arousable, responding to commands
- Unable to sit
- Losing consciousness when lifting head
- Severe pallor
- Thready pulse with cold clammy extremities
- HR: 138/min BP 80/60mmHg SpO2 100%
- CVS: S3 gallop
- RS: B/L Basal crepitations
- P/A: Firm in consistency. Tenderness in LIF and Hypogastrium. Bowel sounds sluggish.
- Hb 2.2g/dL





## **Differential Diagnosis**

- Massive PU bleeding
- Meckel's diverticulum
- Colonic origin
- Idiopathic varices



#### **Emergency Management**



- Cross-matching for lifesaving blood and blood products
- Immediate intravenous fluid resuscitation initiated with colloids.
- Inotropic support started.(Goal MAP>60mmHg)
- IV Tranexamic acid infusion
- IV Vitamin K
- IV Antacids
- IV Antibiotics

#### **Emergency Management Cont.**



- Required MAP achieved
- Blood transfusions initiated
- ABG shows gross metabolic acidosis with hypoxia
- Immediate control of ventilation achieved and circulatory resuscitation continued
- Patient declared ASA IV emergency and consent taken for emergency laparotomy





Since 1 year: (CANADA)

- Epigastric pain
- Decreased appetite
- Loss of weight

#### Since 7 months:

- Bloating sensation and hardening of abdomen
- Easy fatigability
- Was told to have low haemoglobin, iron, proteins and electrolytes

In September he received antibiotic therapy for H. pylori infection, without noticeable improvement in symptoms.

Had received treatment for Typhoid (whether evidence based not known)

#### **Bouquet of investigations**

- Fbc,kft,lft,
- Bleeding profiles
- Ct angio of the abdomen
- Intraopt gastroscopy
- Chest X Ray
- Cardiology evaluation



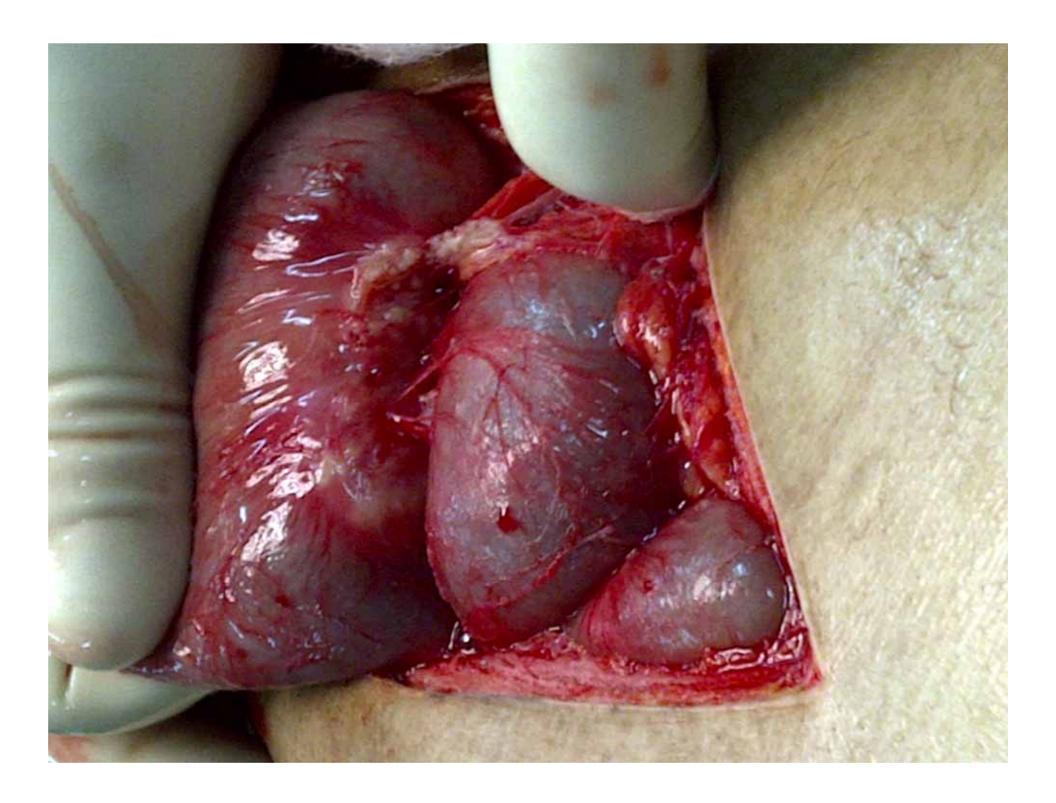


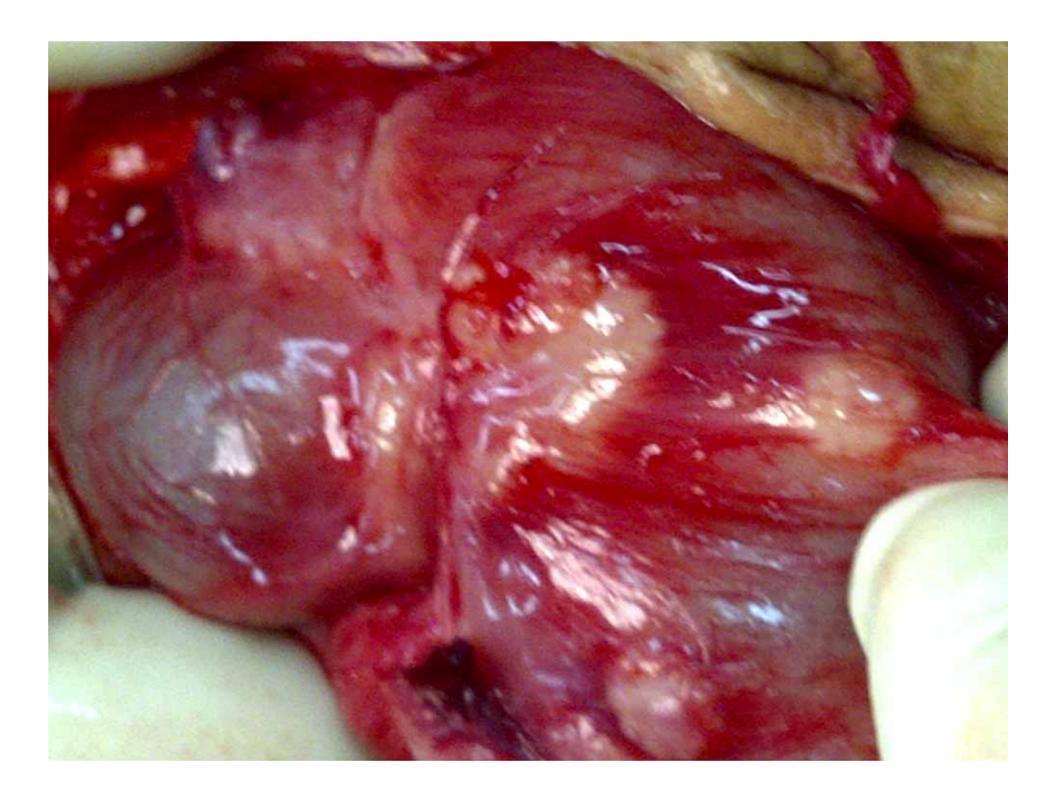
- Blood investigations typical of severe haemorrhagic shock with mild derangement of PT, APTT, INR (1.6)
- HIV I & II, HBsAg, HCV negative
- Brief of the CT findings:
- Mild ascitis in the pelvis,
- 2. Thickening of first part of DU,
- 3. No Lymphadenopathy,
- 4. Lytic Lesions in lower lumbar vertebrae and iliac crest!!!!
- 5. Blush jejunal area

### Surgeon's View

- ?Tumour related bleeding
- Gastroscopy : unremarkable.
- Planned to do laparotomy
- Findings:
- 1. 'Frozen abdomen'
- 2. Nodules everywhere (In small bowel, omentum, peritoneum)
- 3. Unable to even clear the area of dissection
- 4. Bowel loops matted to each other with nodules
- 5. Mucus/Gluey ascitis
- 6. Nodule biopsies taken







#### **Riddles**



- What exactly is the cause of this acute haematochaezia leading to haemorrhagic shock?
  - Primary (carcinogenic) haemorrhagic lesions of jejunum?
  - Diverticular bleed?
  - Malignancy of unknown origin?
  - AV Malformations?
  - Ulcerative colitis?
  - Blood dyscrasias?
  - Infective causes?



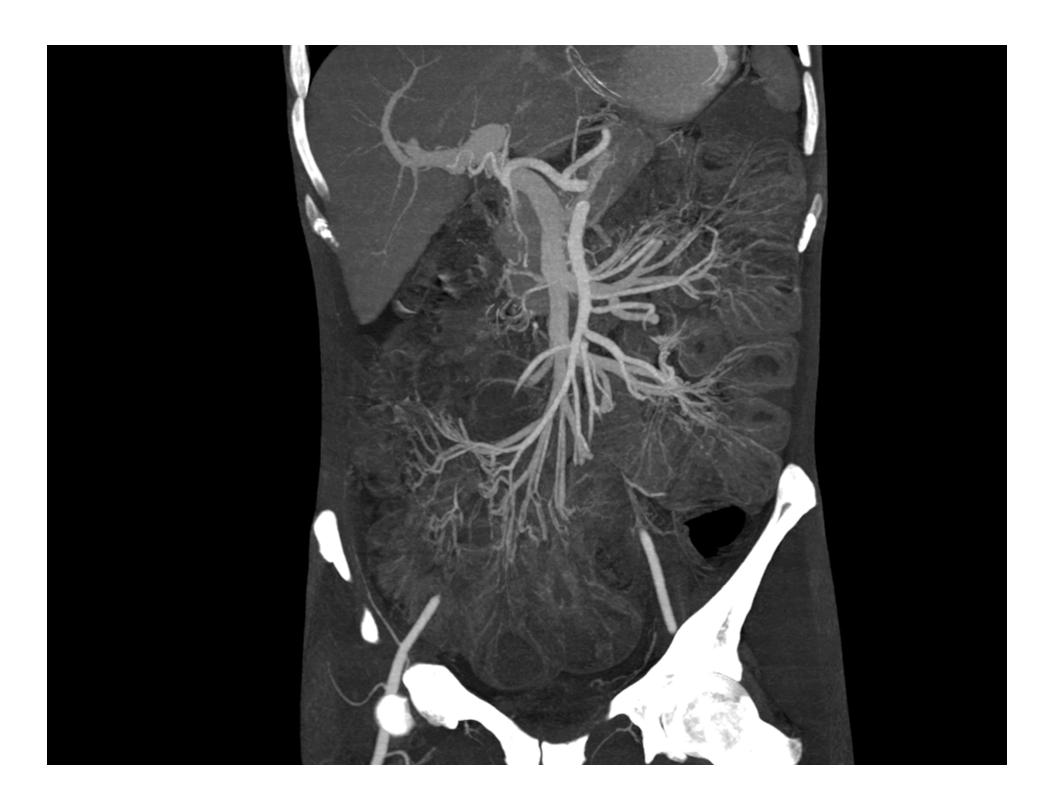


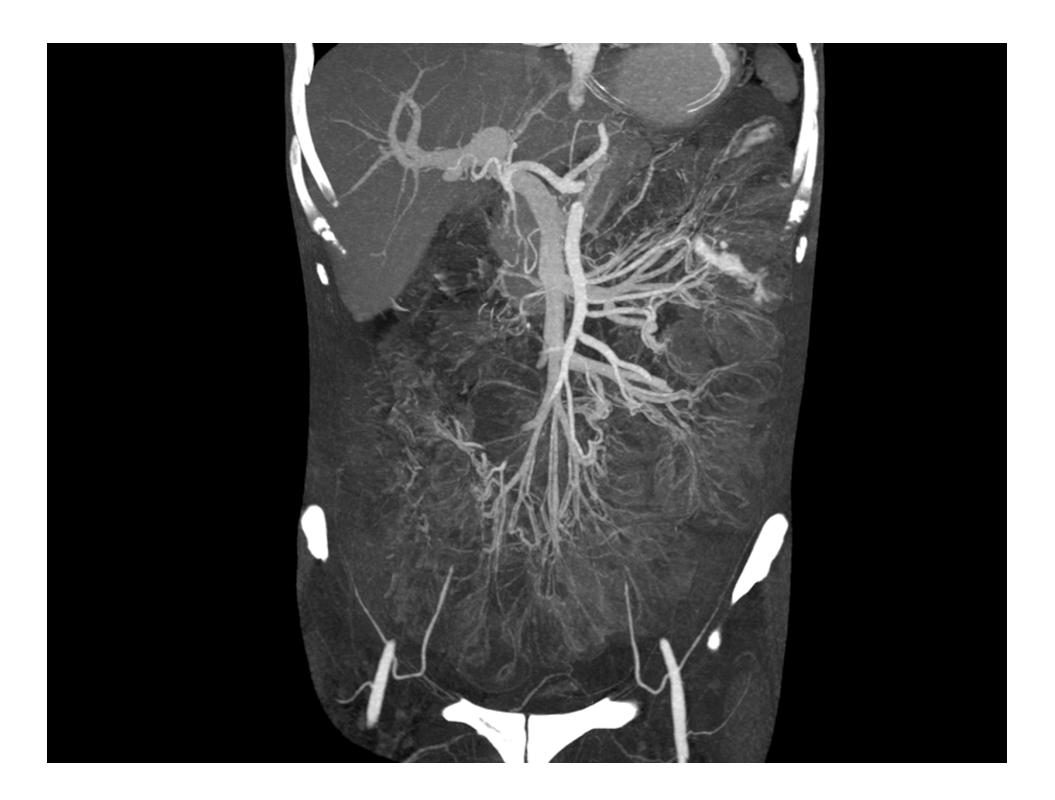


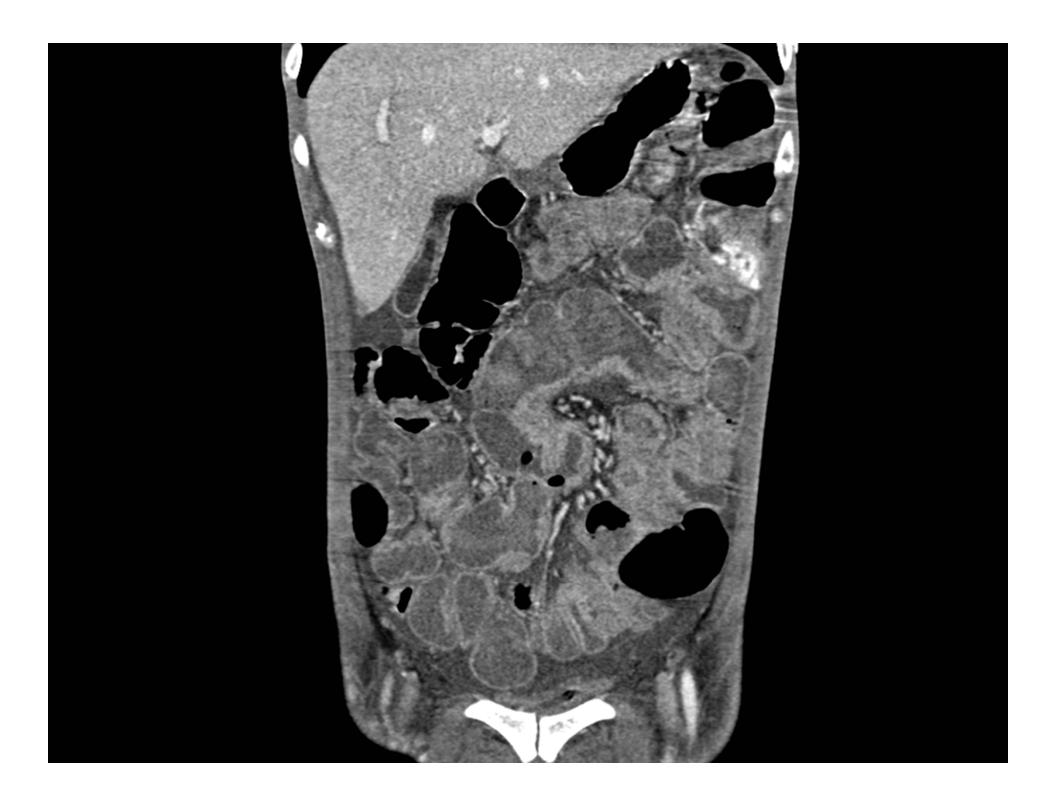


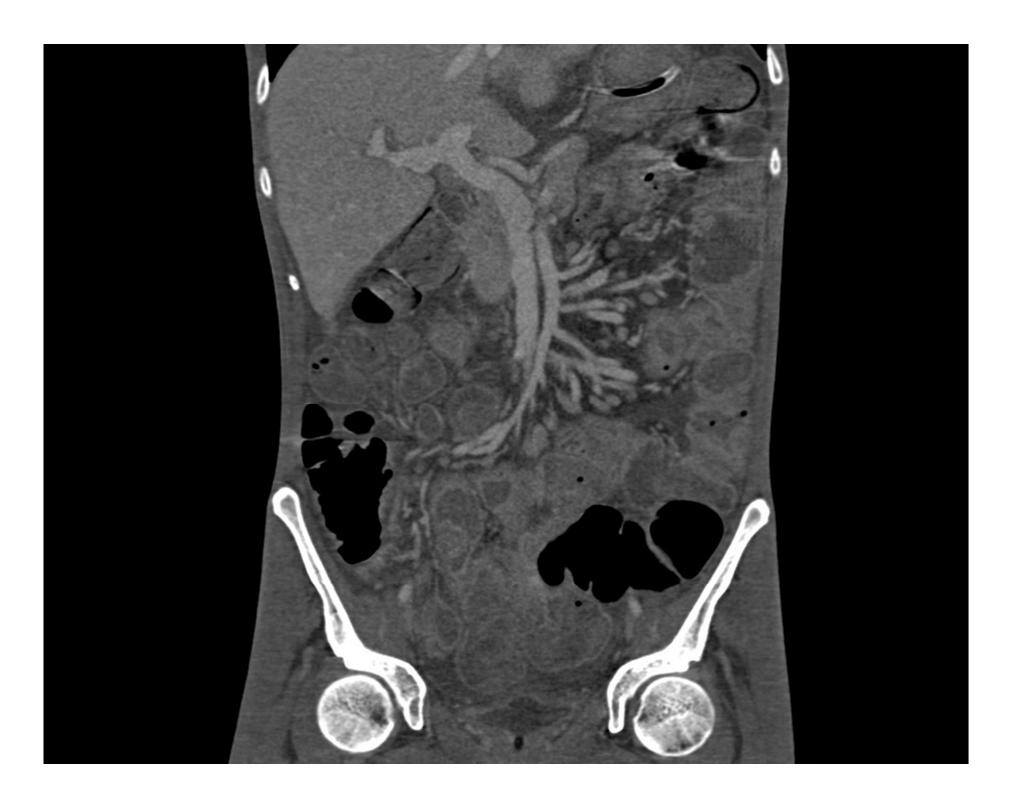


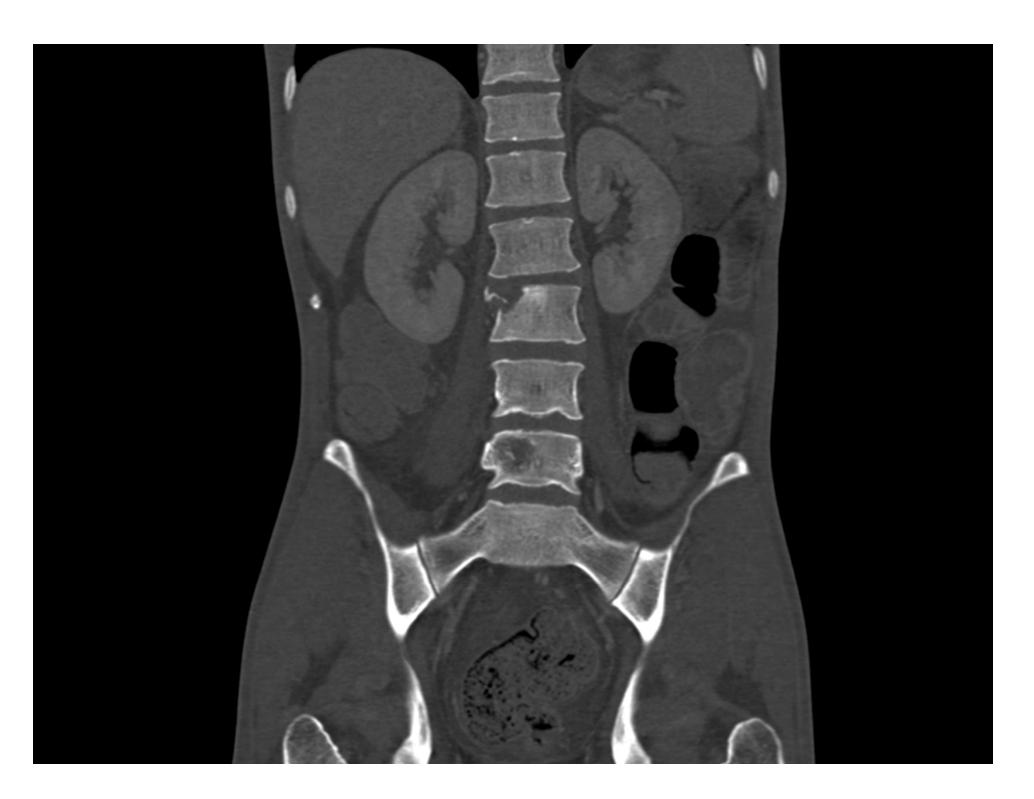


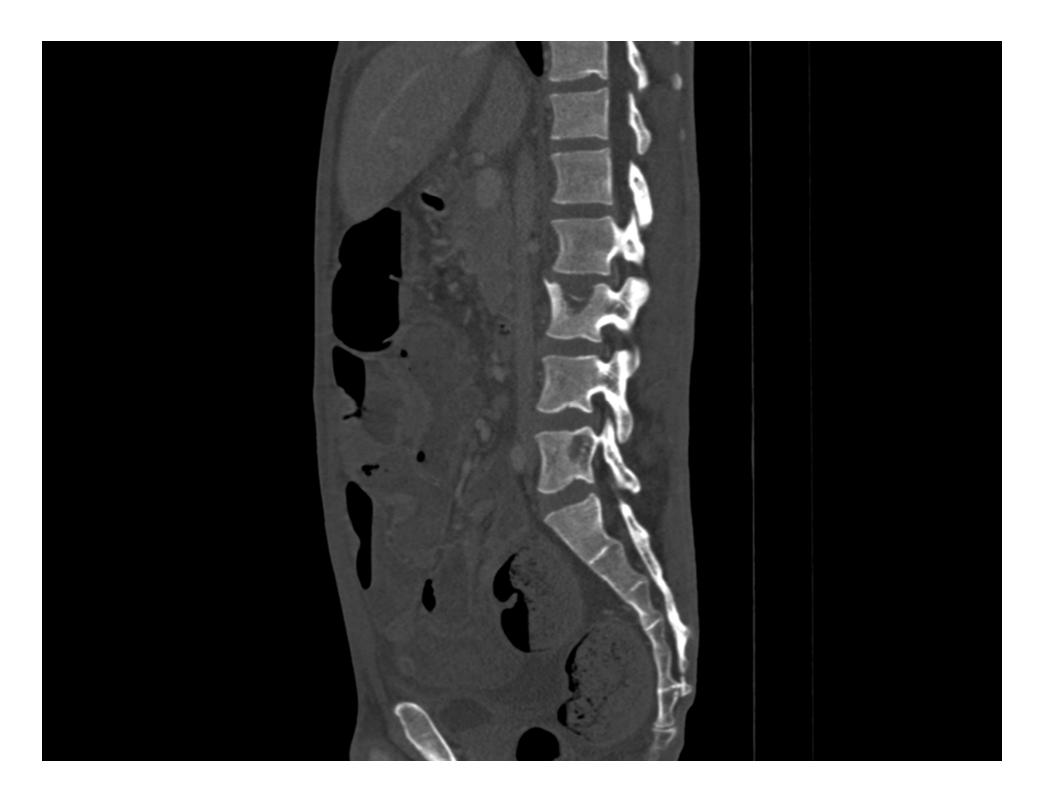


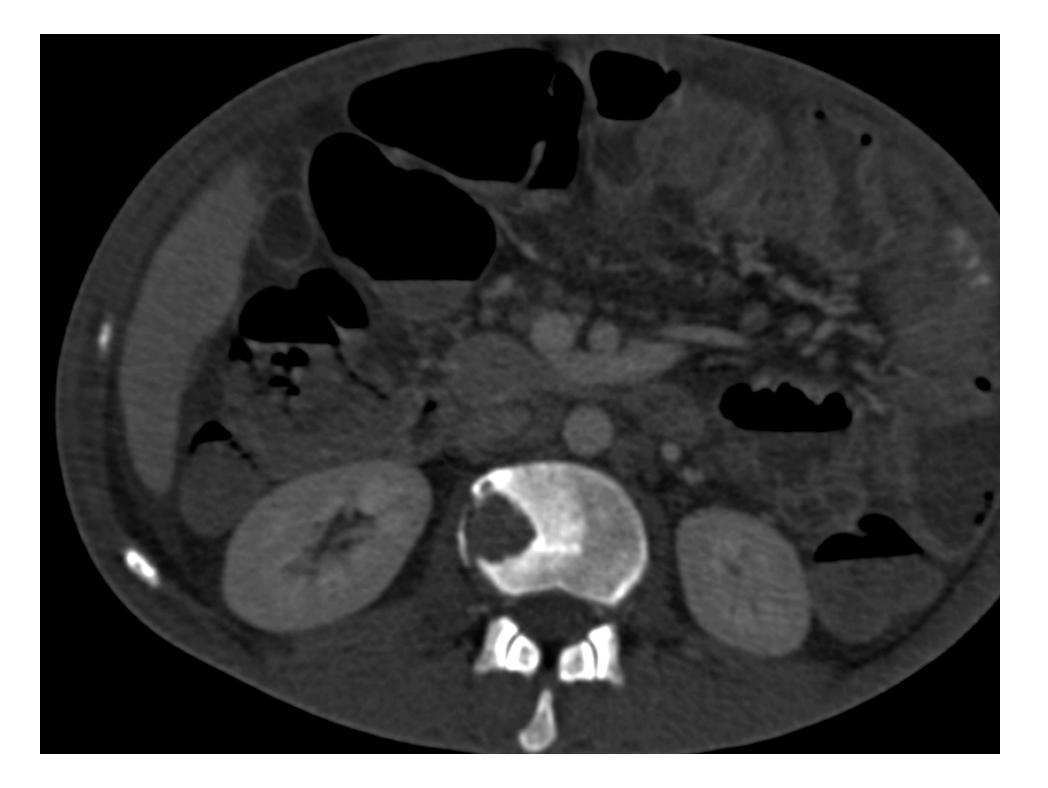
















#### **Biopsy Results**



- Malignant cells.....
- ABSENT!

- Immunohistochemistry negative
- Positive findings: Caseating necrosis with lymphocytic infiltration seen in the biopsy specimen

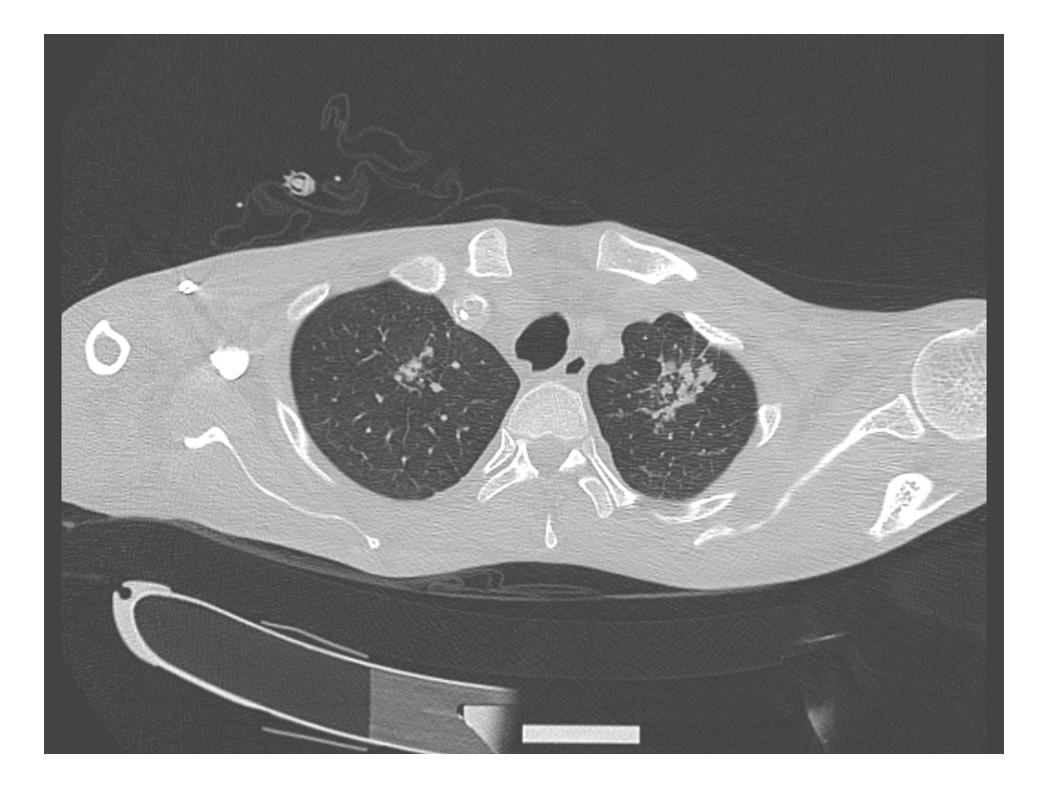




- Extrapulmonary Tuberculosis, planned for HRCT Chest
- Mantoux test performed... Mildly positive (12mm)
- First morning sputum for AFB (repeated for 3 consecutive days): Negative
- BINGO!!!
- Findings of HRCT Chest :











### **Final Diagnosis**

- Active Extrapulmonary
   Tuberculosis with pulmonary
   infiltration with ?Bone
   involvement
- Planned for serial CT scan of the abdomen to see the radiological response of lytic lesions of the vertebrae to the ATT



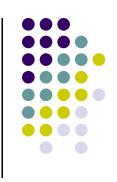






- Patient was initiated on 4 drug therapy of ATT under the guidance of Dr Reesaul according to the WHO protocol for extrapulmonary tuberculosis with acute dissemination
- Patient was weaned out of ventilator over the next 2 days post laparotomy

#### **Clinical Response**



- No further bleeding PR/malaena after 3 days of hospitalization.
- Immediate increase in appetite
- Improvement in feeling of general well being

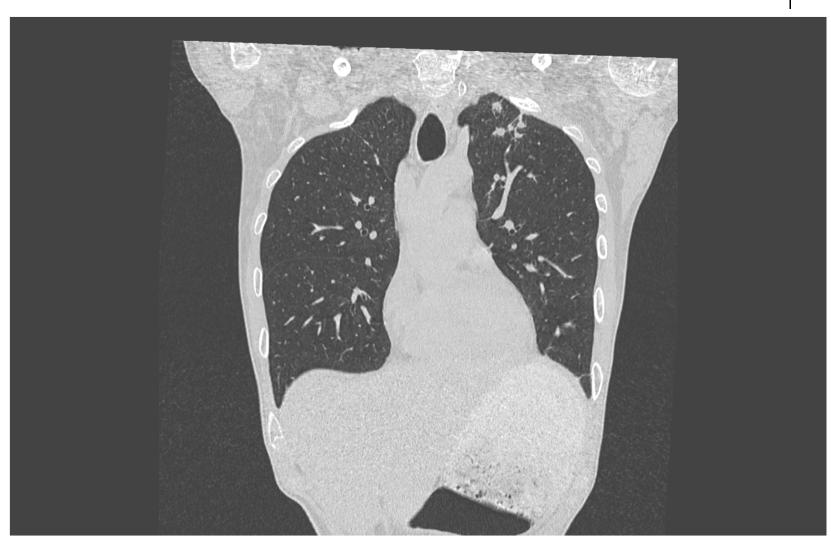
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### Thank You for thinking...





