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Jejunal diverticulosis: A rare type of gastro intestinal diverticulosis

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Diverticulosis of the jejunum is a rare condition with an incidence ranging from 0.1% to 1.5% in upper gastrointestinal studies. These are false diverticula occurring mainly in an older age group. Jejunal diverticula are usually found incidentally at laparotomy or during an upper gastrointestinal study the great majority remains asymptomatic. Acute complications can occur but are rare. This case report describes the case of a 56-year-old symptomatic man who underwent abdominal exploration for suspected intestinal obstruction by abdominal examination and abdominal erect X-ray. Intra-operatively diagnosis of jejunal diverticulosis was made. The preoperative diagnosis of this rare condition is difficult to make. However, with advances in gastro-intestinal imaging and with heightened awareness of this disease, fewer patients will need to undergo operative intervention as most patients are asymptomatic. The authors review the different imaging modalities available to help diagnose this condition and highlight the importance of being aware of this rare disease.

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