Radiologic evaluation of pancreatic cystic lesions

Detection of the pancreatic cystic lesions highly increased mainly due to incredible progress in the cross-sectional imaging availability and technological improvement. Increasing of detection of this lesions resulted with significantly rise in the number of surgical resections. But, resection of these lesions could be unjustified due to benign nature of many cystic lesions. Thus, it is crucial to make a correct differential diagnosis to avoid unnecessary surgeries, besides the detection of these lesions. Fortunately, most of the pancreatic cystic lesions have either characteristic imaging features or typical age and gender predominance. Radiologists also should be sufficiently aware of management of cystic lesions. Close cooperation of radiologist with surgeons and gastroenterologist also will be effective in terms of accurately diagnosis and management of the patient and it will allow avoiding from unnecessary invasive procedures or surgical interventions. In this review, we discuss briefly clinical presentations, characteristic features, differential diagnosis with a wide range of interesting cases and lastly management of the patients.

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