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## **INTRODUCTION**

Colo – rectal cancers ( CRC ) are the 3rd most cause of cancer death in developed countries .One third of the cancers are in rectum and two thirds are in the colon .Burden of the disease is similar in both men and women .

Acute presentation of CRC Is more common. Can present as either acute

Intestinal obstruction , perforative peritonitis or both. Screening by colonoscopy helps in diagnosing and staging the cancer before complications develop .

Prognosis is poor in patients presenting as complicated colo – rectal cancers.

# AIM OF STUDY

**AIM OF THE STUDY :**

**1. TO ANALYSE THE PRESENTATION , TREATMENT AND OUTCOME OF PATIENTS WITH COMPLICATED COLO-RECTAL CANCER (OBSTRUCTION/PERFORATION).**

**2. TO EVALUATE THE RISK FACTORS FOR MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY .**



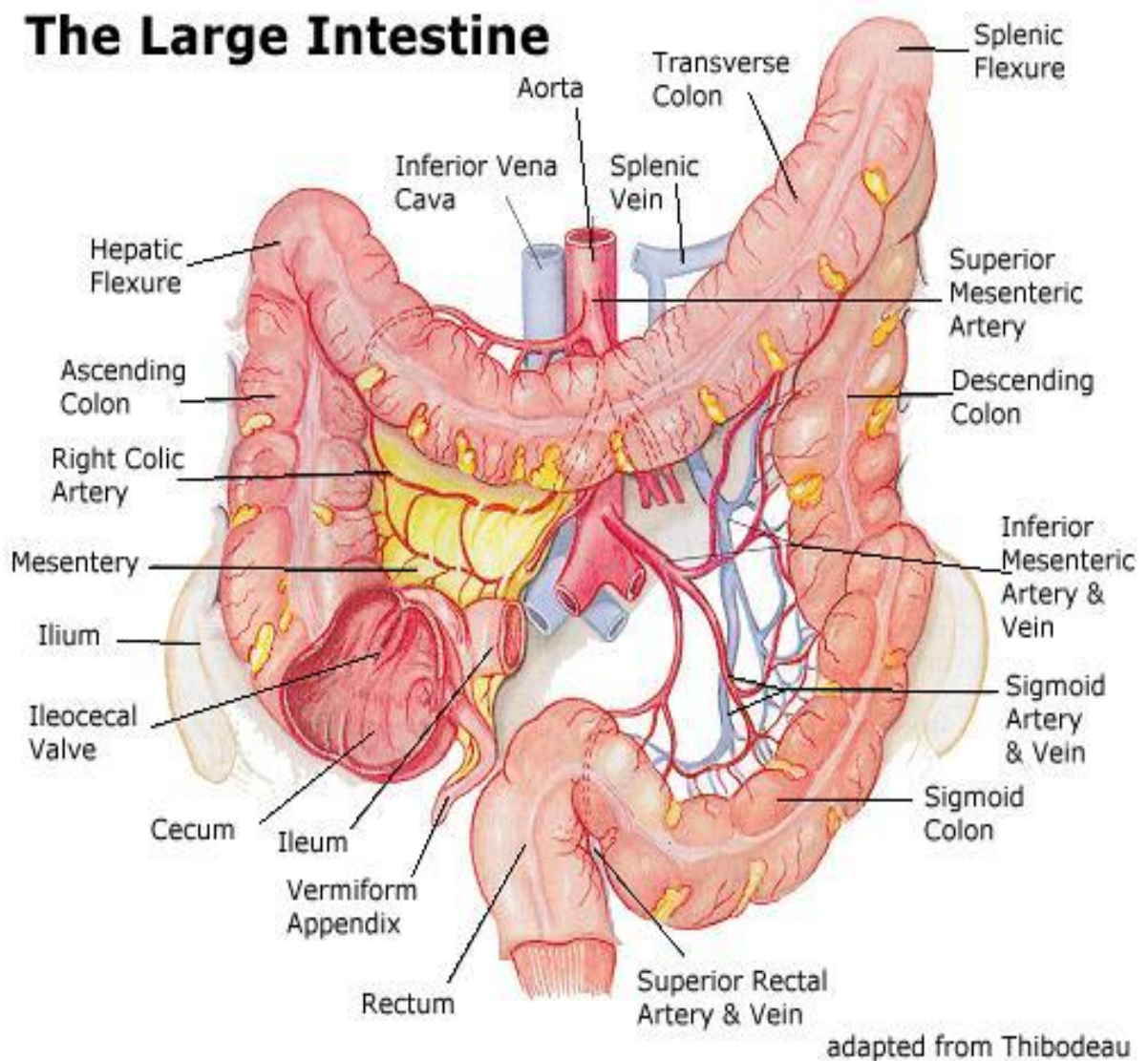
# REVIEW OF LITERATURE

## Macroscopic anatomy of colon and rectum

The colon starts from ileocaecal junction upto rectosigmoid junction .

Length of colon – ranges 120 to 200 cm.

Calibre - greatest near caecum and gradually reduces near sigmoid colon



## **EXTERNAL CHARACTERISTICS OF COLON :**

1. Appendices Epiploicae

2. Taeniae coli

anterior taenia, or taenia libera

posterior taenia, or taenia omental

lateral taenia, or taenia mesocolica

3. Haustra of colon – absent in caecum.

relatively sparse – ascending & proximal ,tranverse colon.

more in – from middle of Transverse colon to distal colon

sigmoid – marked by sacculations.

## **INTERNAL CHARACTERISTICS OF COLON :**

Caecum – trefoil pattern.

Ascending colon – shallow & loop haustration.

Transverse colon – triangular appearance

Descending Colon - cross section circular

## **DEVELOPMENT OF COLON :**

Primitive gut tube develops from roof of yolk sac

Beginning by 3rd wk , gut tube divides into foregut, midgut & hindgut

Development takes place in 3 stages –

\* physiological herniation ( 6th wk)

\* return to abdomen (10th wk) after undergoing rotation through'

270 degree counter clockwise rotation around SMA pedicle

\* fixation to posterior abdominal wall

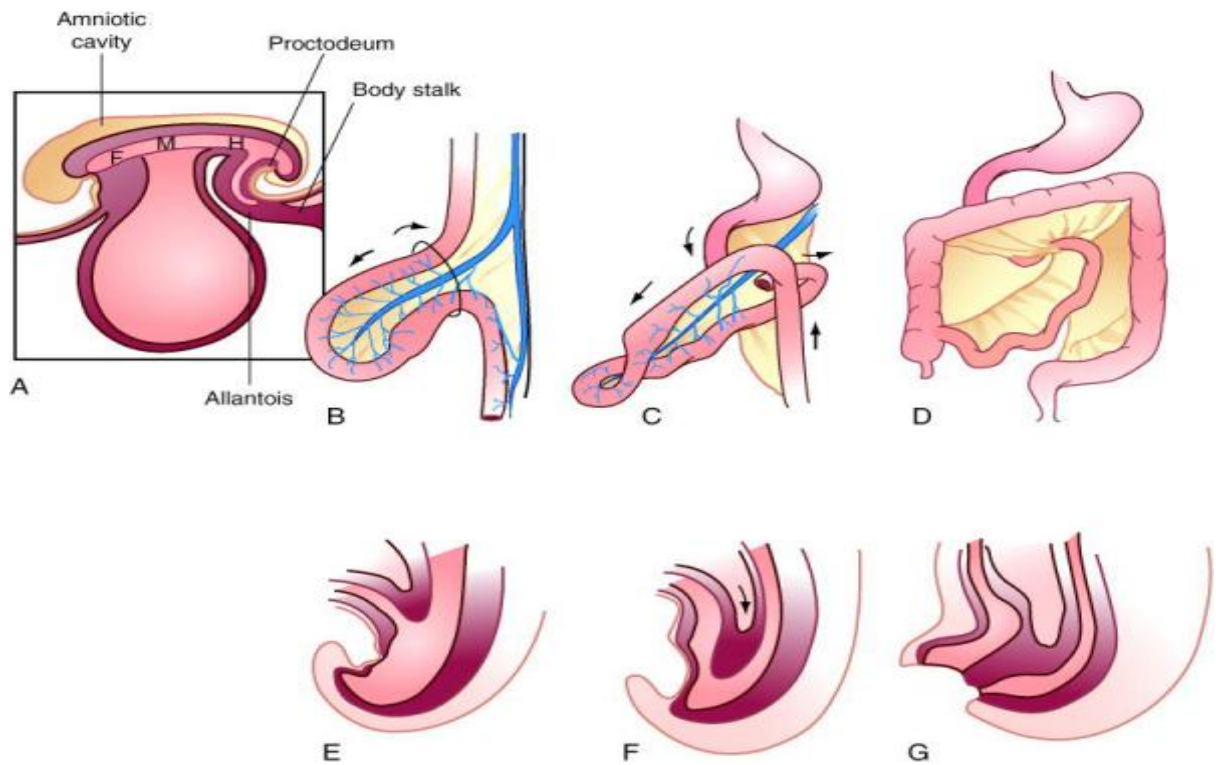
## **COLON**

### **MID GUT DERIVATIVES :**

- 1. Caecum and Appendix
- 2. Ascending colon
- 3. Right 2/3 of transverse colon

### **HIND GUT :**

- 1. Left 1/3 of transverse colon
- 2. Descending and Pelvic colon



## MICRO STRUCTURE OF COLON :

5 layers

1. Mucosa – lined by columnar epithelium; interspersed with goblet cells;

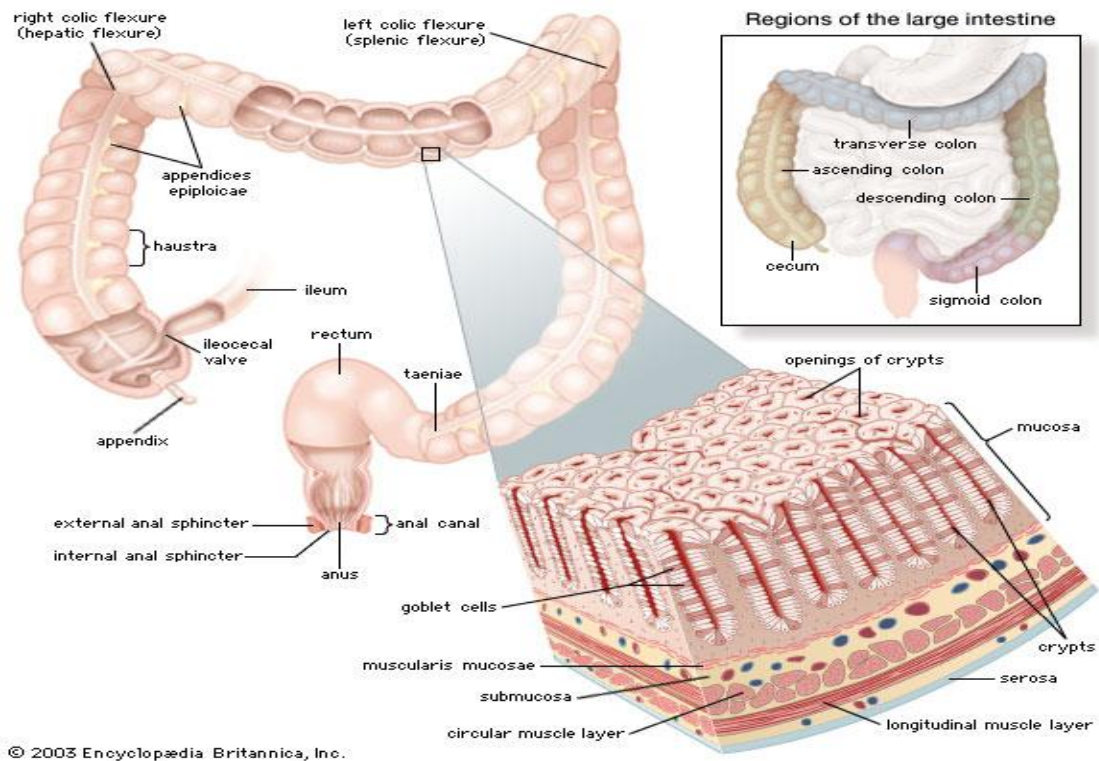
No villi

2 . Submucosa

3. Inner circular muscle layer

4. Outer longitudinal muscle layer

5. Serosa



## CAECUM :

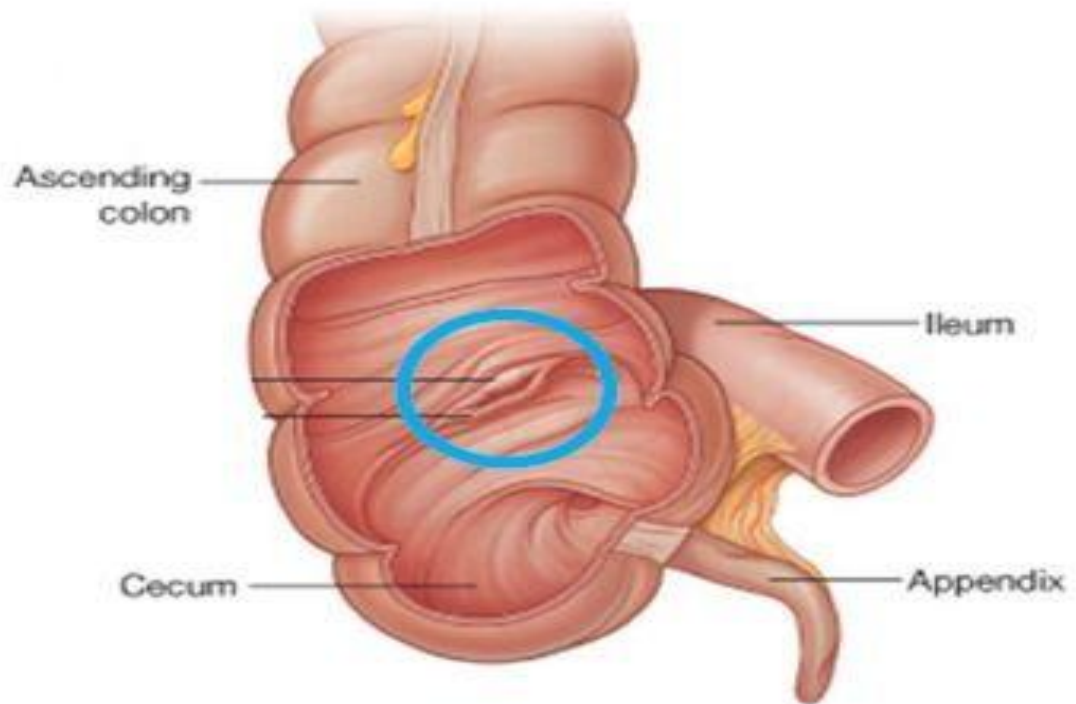
10 cm length; 7.5 cm diameter ( 4 × 3 “)

Widest diameter with thinnest muscular wall.

Completely enveloped by visceral peritoneum , mobile and has no mesentry.

Most vulnerable to perforation & least vulnerable to obstruction

Acute dilatation of > 12 cm ( seen in X-ray abdomen) can result in ischaemic necrosis & perforation of bowel wall



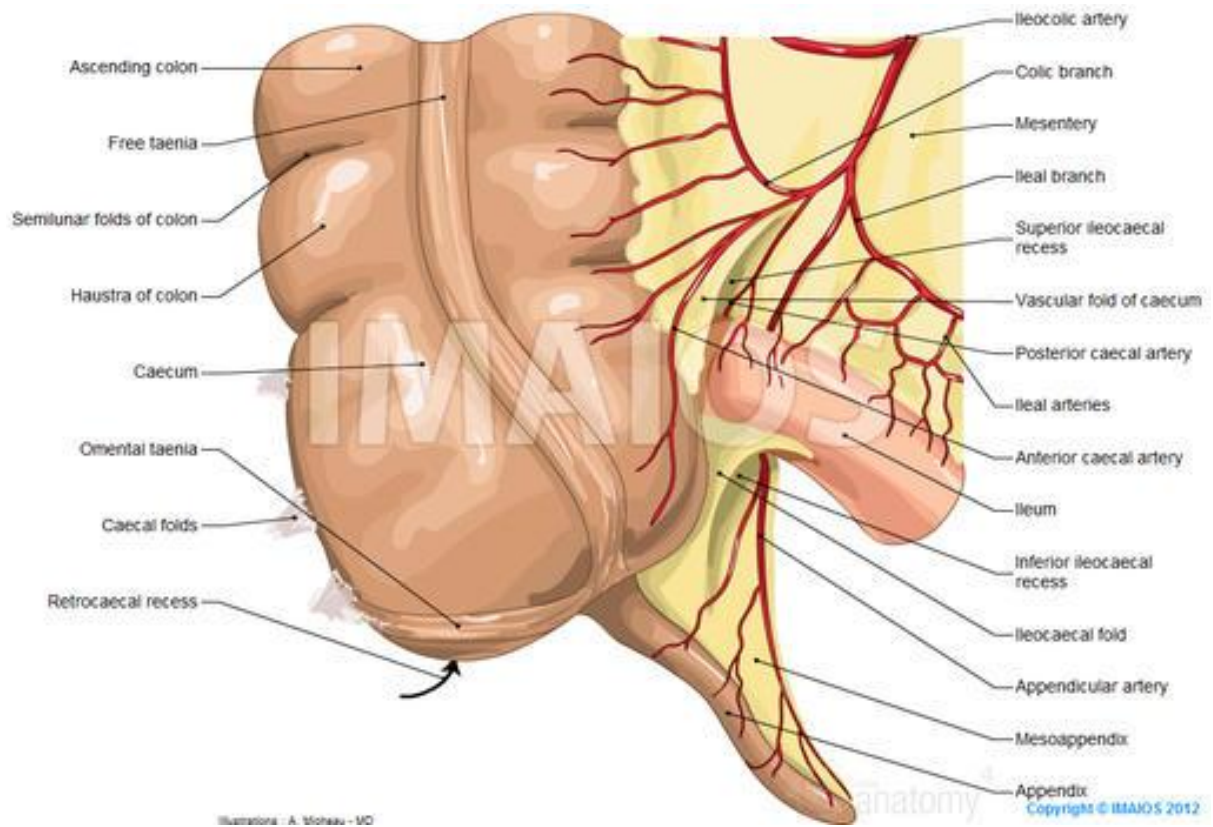
### **APPENDIX :**

Takes origin from the postero -medial border of the caecum and can be located by following the anterior taenia to its junction with the other two taeniae

Its size is variable, 5 to 10 mm in diameter and 8 to 10 cm in length.

Common position - retro-caecal

Mesoappendix – appendicular artery and vein



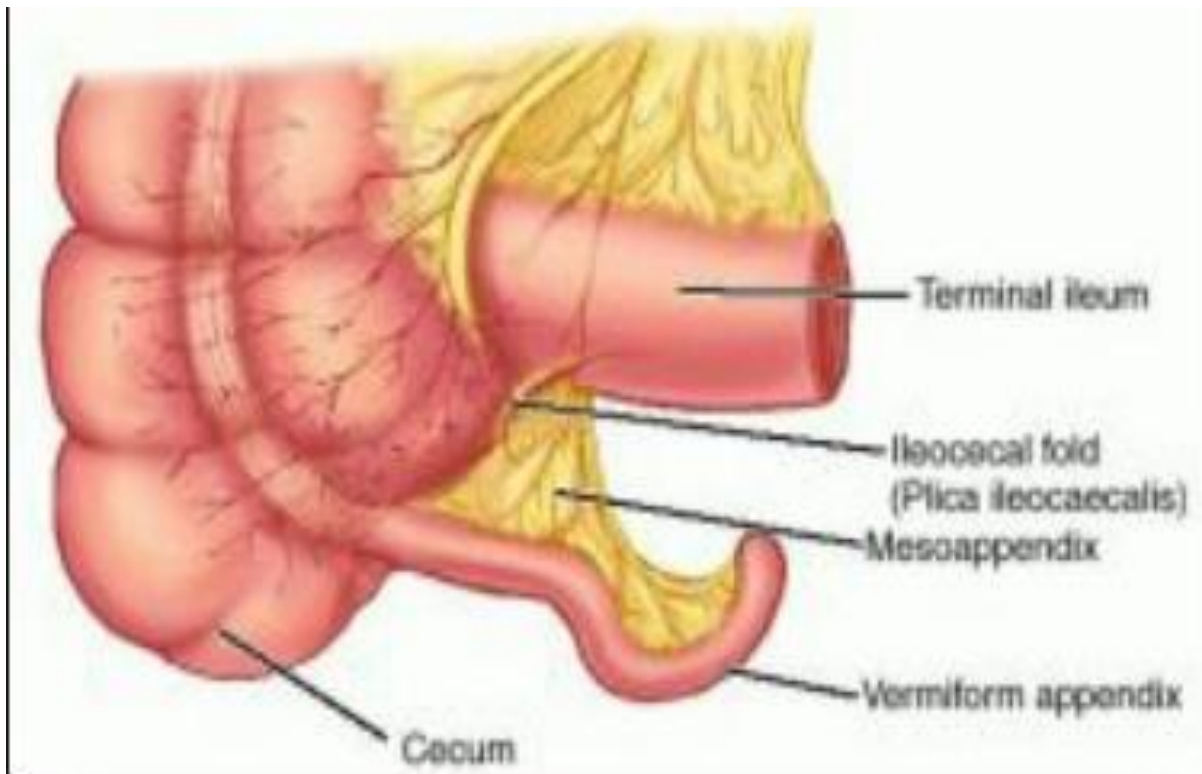
## CAECUM AND APPENDIX :

The appendix is involved in the formation of several recesses in association with the caecum

- superior ile-o caecal recess( FOSSA OF LUSCHKA)

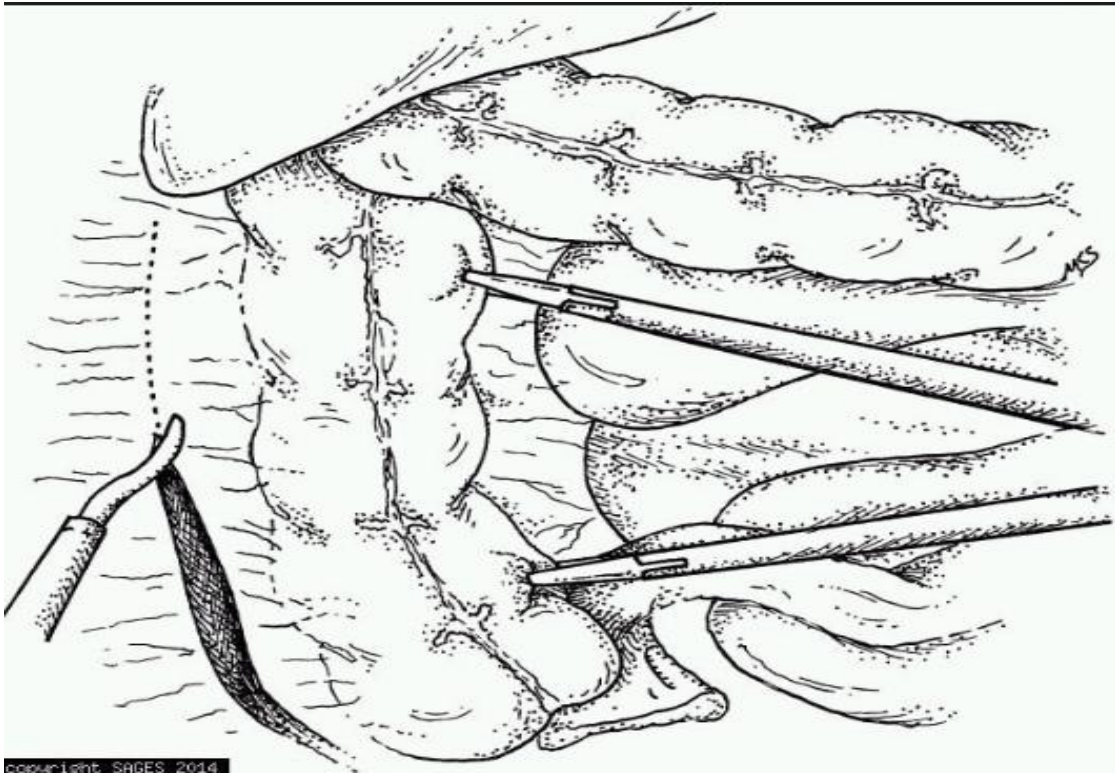
-inferior ileo-caecal recess ( BLOODLESS FIELD OF TREVES )





### **ASCENDING COLON :**

- 15 cm length
- Starts from caecum and ends at hepatic flexure
- Postr surface fixed to retro peritoneum
- Lat & antr surfaces are true intra peritoneal structures
- White line of TOLDT
- Relations – Antr – Ant Abd wall, Coils of SI; Postr – Iliacus, TA aponeuroses, Lower pole of rt kidney & branches from lumbar plexus



## **TRANSVERSE COLON :**

Mobile structure fixed in b/w hepatic & splenic flexures

Completely invested by visceral peritoneum

Tr. Mesocolon is a double fold of peritoneum suspending Tr. Colon from anterior border of pancreas; content -MCA

Hepatic flexure lies anterior to rt. Kidney, duodenum & porta hepatis & posterior to rt lobe of liver

Splenic flexure is at a higher level, more acutely angled & deeply situated than Hepatic Flexure – suspended by phrenico colic ligament.

## DESCENDING COLON :

25 cm length

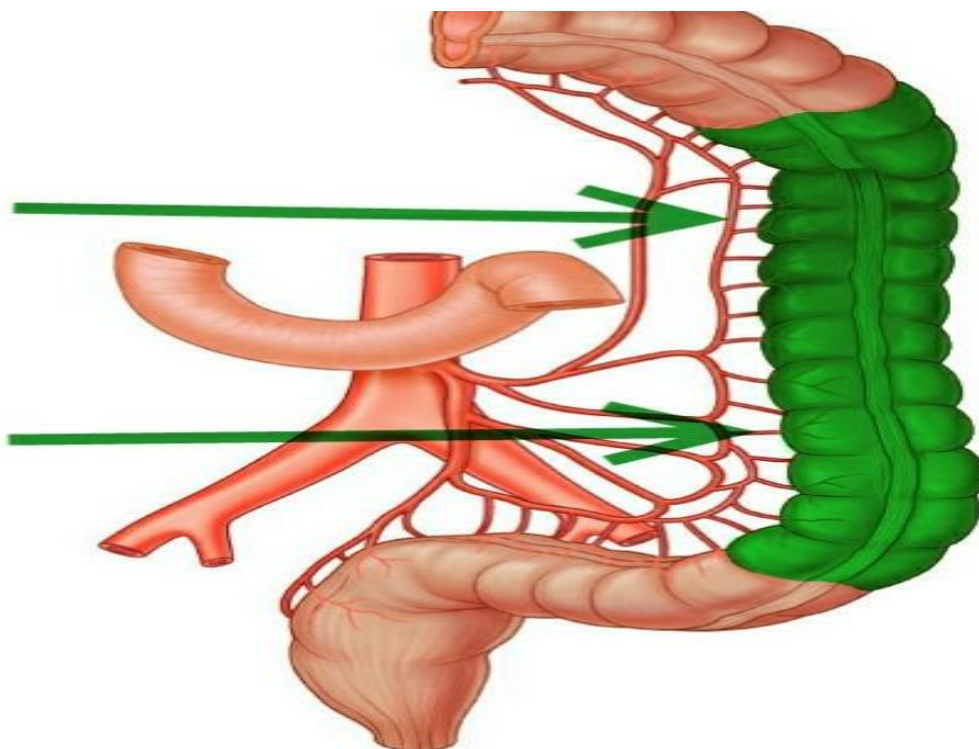
Anterior to left kidney

Starts from SF and ends at Sigmoid colon at level of pelvic brim

Thin walled and fixed to retroperitoneum

Relations – antr – T colon, AAw, coils of SI

Postly – L kidney, branches of Lumbar plexus, T abdominis, Iliacus



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## **SIGMOID COLON :**

Variable length 15 – 50 cm (avg 38 cm )

Long , floppy mesentry – hence more prone for volvulus

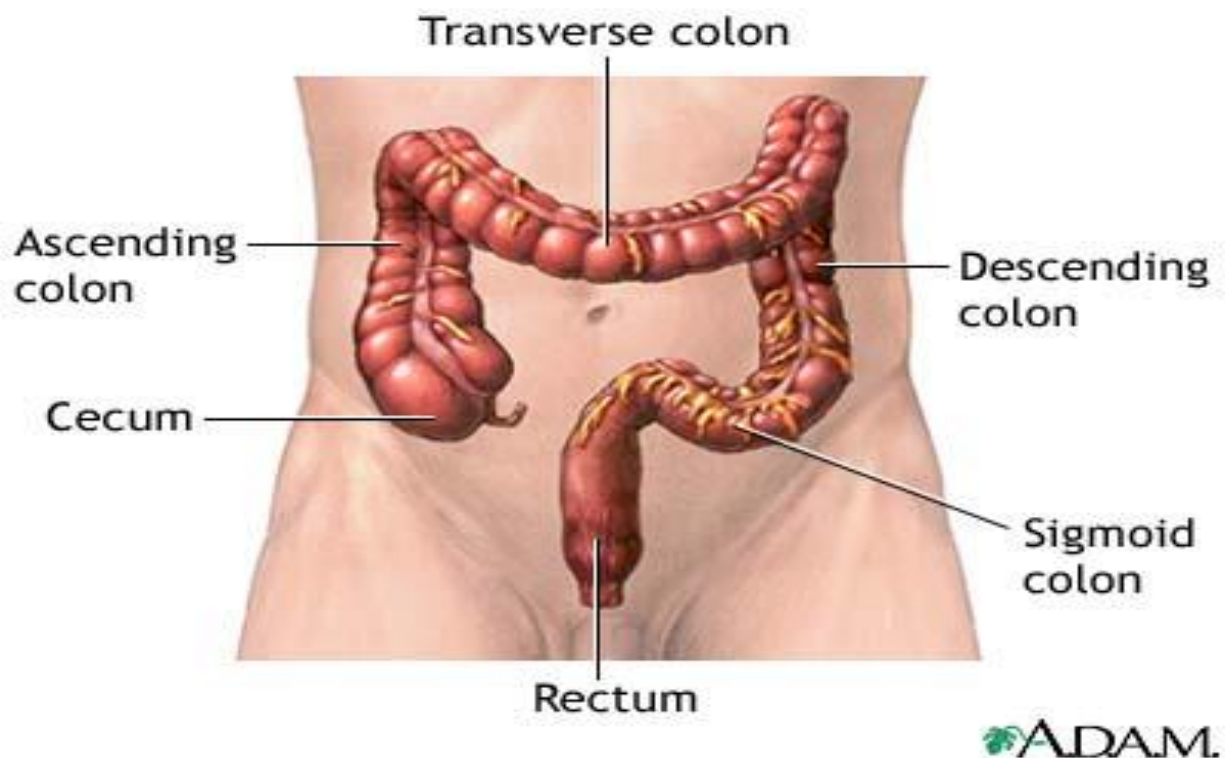
Pelvic mesocolon - ^ shaped – apex is the landmark for underlying left ureter;

left limb attached to pelvic brim; rt limb extends from apex down to S3;

content – superior rectal vessels

posteriorly - the left external and internal iliac vessels, the left gonadal

vessels, the left ureter, and the roots of the sacral plexus

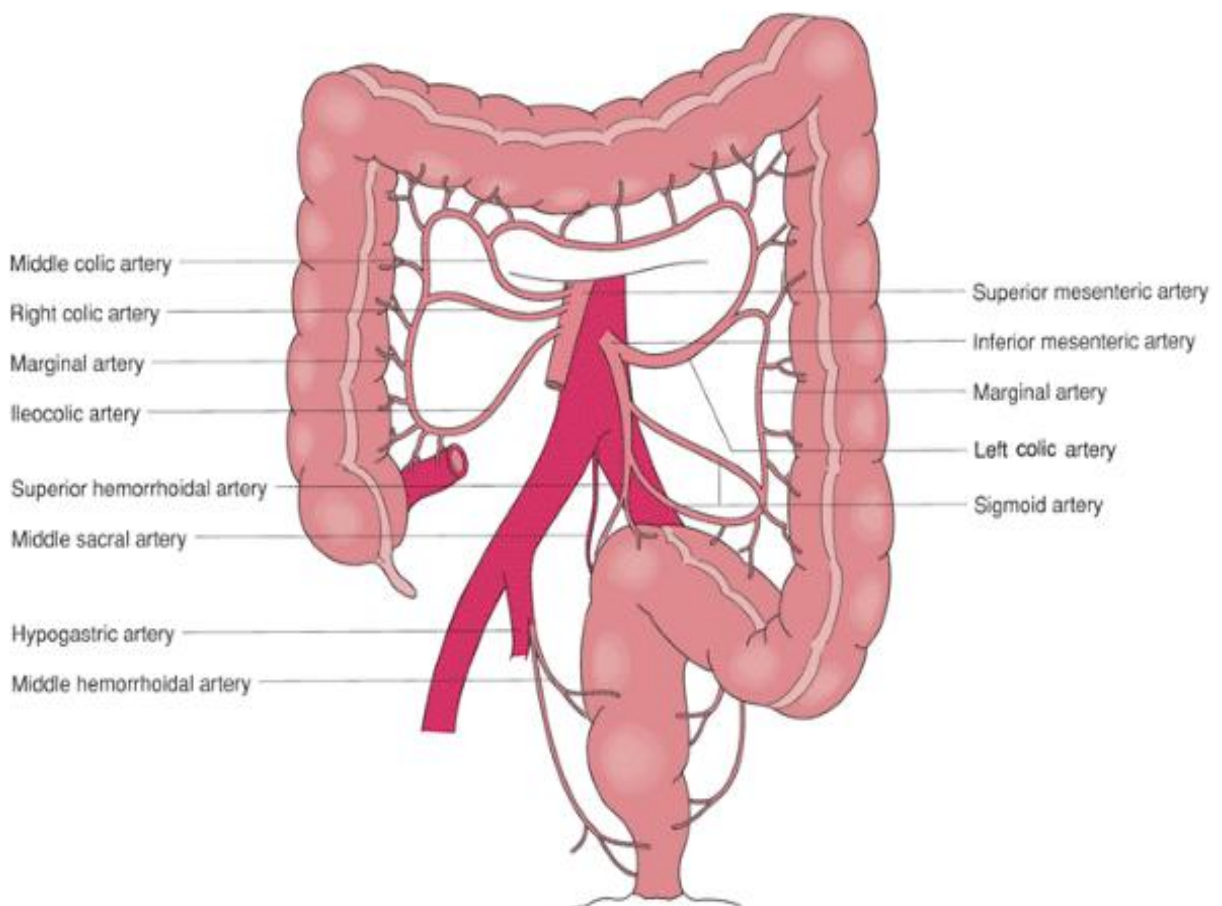


## ARTERIAL SUPPLY :

Caecum, Appendix, Ascending colon and Right 2/3 of the transverse Colon

Supplied by colic branches of the superior mesenteric artery;

Left part of the transverse, descending and sigmoid colon, rectum and upper anal canal) are supplied by the inferior mesenteric artery.



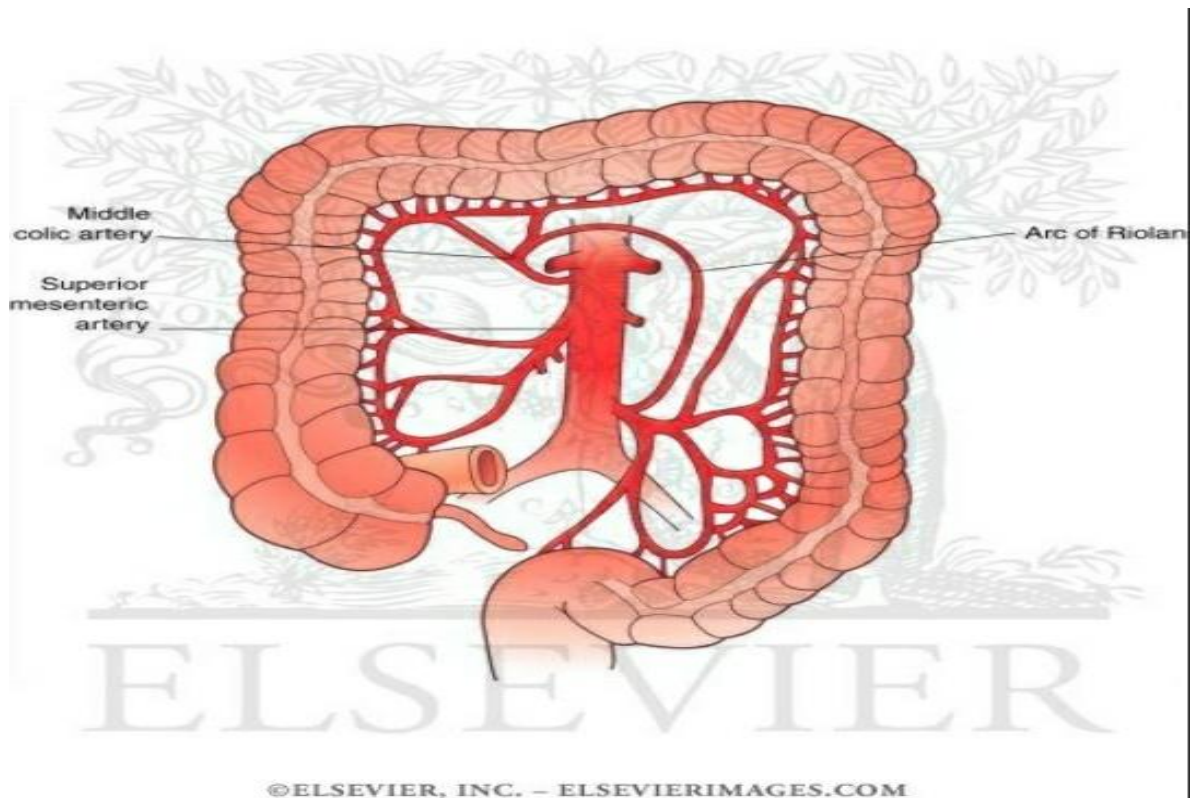
## VASCULAR SUPPLY OF COLON :

- **POINTS TO REMEMBER:**

- Middle colic artery – surgical land mark for colon resection.
- **GRIFFITH' POINT** – “water shed “ area at splenic flexure formed between left br. Of middle colic and ascending br. Left colic artery.
- **SUDECK POINT** – “water shed” area at rectosigmoid junction formed between sigmoid and superior rectal artery.

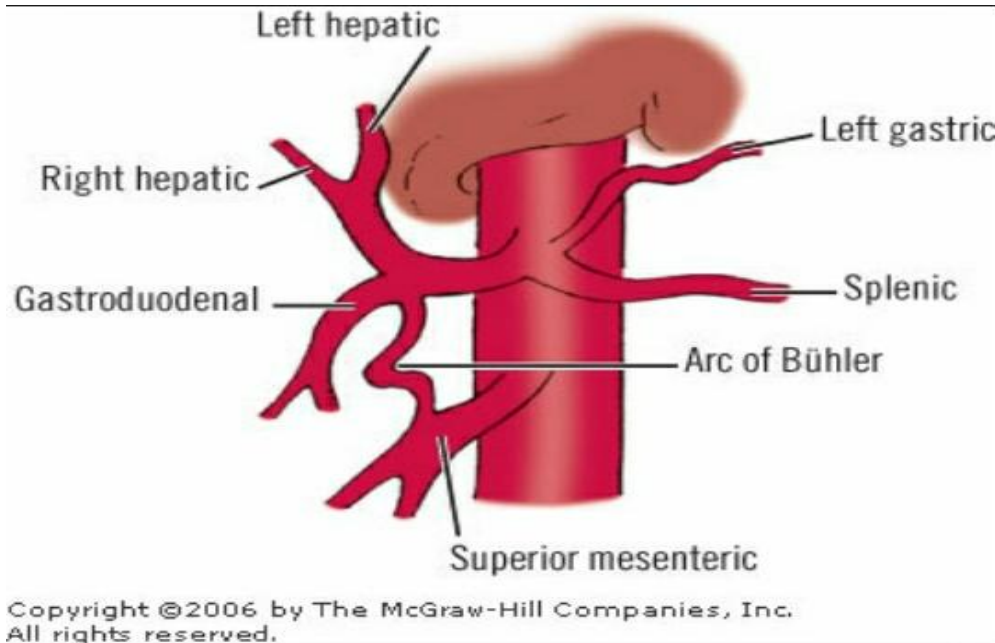
- **ARC OF RIOLAN.**

Inconstant artery connects proximal or its br of SMA and proximal or its br of IMA.



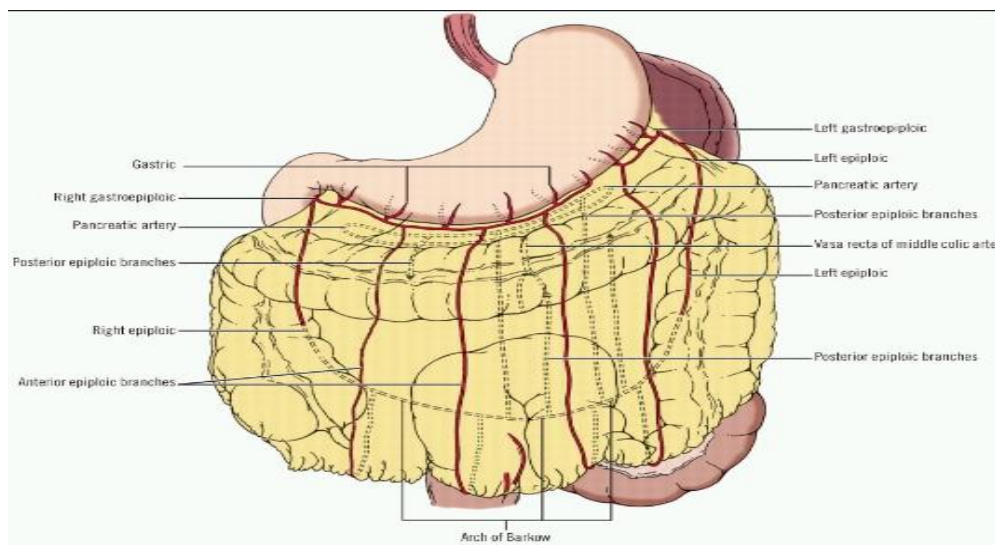
## ARC OF BUHLER.

Embryological connection between COELIAC artery and SMA.



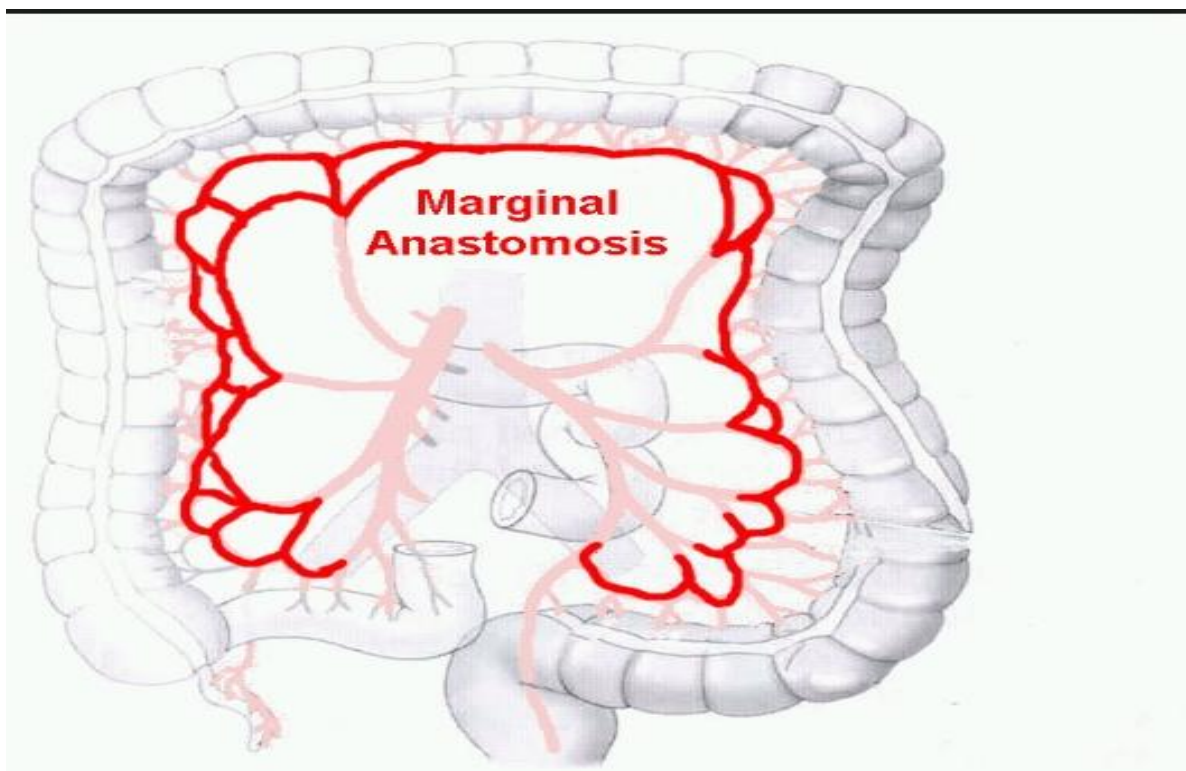
## ARC OF BARKOW.

Formed by anastomosis of Branch Of GASTRODUODENAL artery and Branch Of SPLENIC artery.



# Marginal artery of Drummond

ascending branch of the ileocolic artery;	the descending and ascending branches of the right colic artery;	the right and left branches of the middle colic artery;	the ascending, descending, and sigmoid branches of the left colic artery;.	the sigmoid branches of the inferior mesenteric artery; and the superior rectal artery
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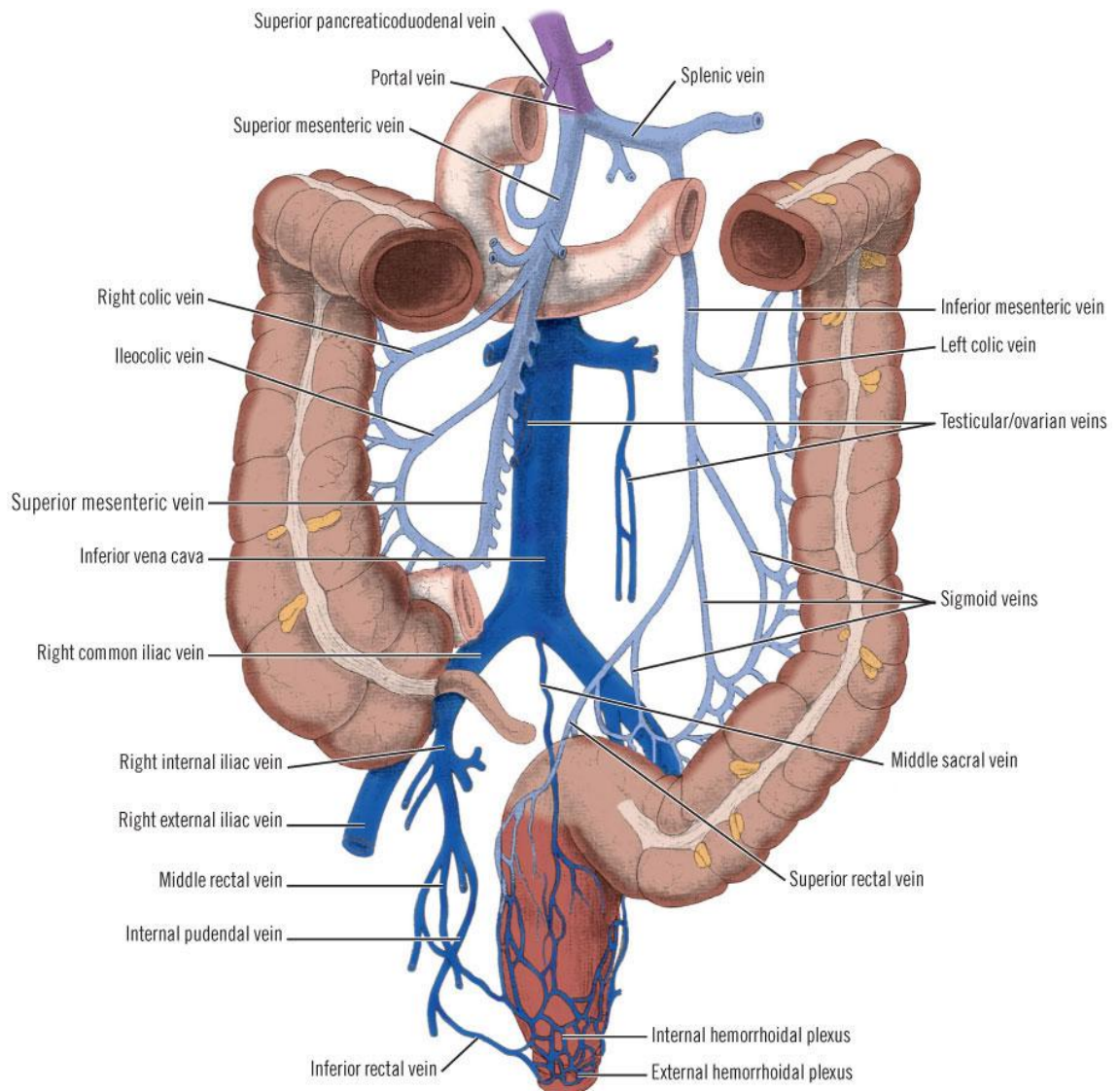
**MARGINAL ARTERY OF DRUMMOND**



## Veins :

Midgut derivatives - Superior Mesenteric Vein

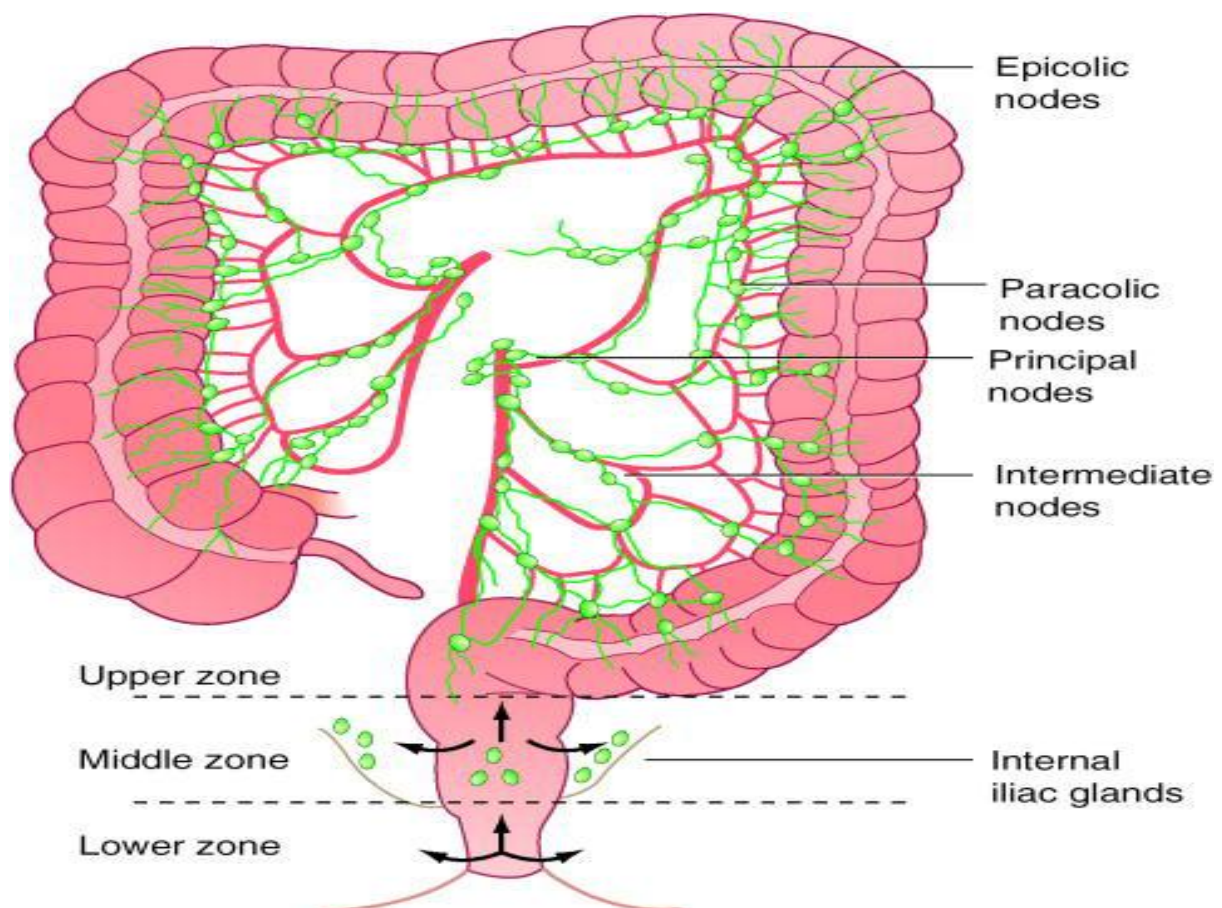
Hindgut derivatives – Inferior Mesenteric Vein



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## Lymphatic drainage

Is mainly through the mesentery into the paracolic groups of lymph nodes located along the marginal vascular arcades. Subsequent stations are the intermediate nodal groups (more proximal, at the level of major arterial branches), the central or principal lymph nodes (adjacent to the sup and inf mesenteric vessels), and the entire para-aortic chain..



## **NERVE SUPPLY**

- Extrinsic nerves:

Sympathetic – Inhibitory

Preaortic ganglia - T6 – T12 – caecum, appendix, asc.colon, tr. Colon

Preglionic lumbar splanchnics L1 – L3 – Left colon, rectum

- Parasympathetic – Stimulatory

Rt vagus – Rt. Colon & Tr. Colon

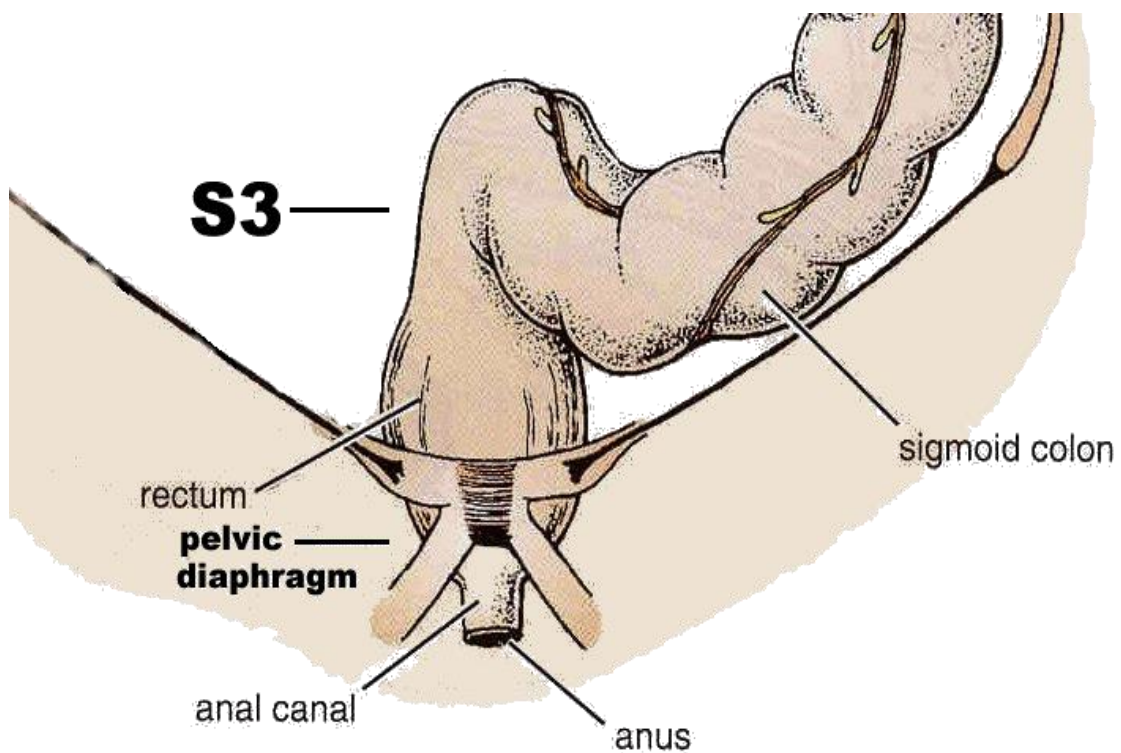
S2 – S4 – Nervi erigentes – Left colon & rectum

- Intrinsic nerve plexus supplied with ganglion cells in muscular & submucous coats co-ordinates purposeful emptying movts in colon & rectum – \*  
congenital megacolon

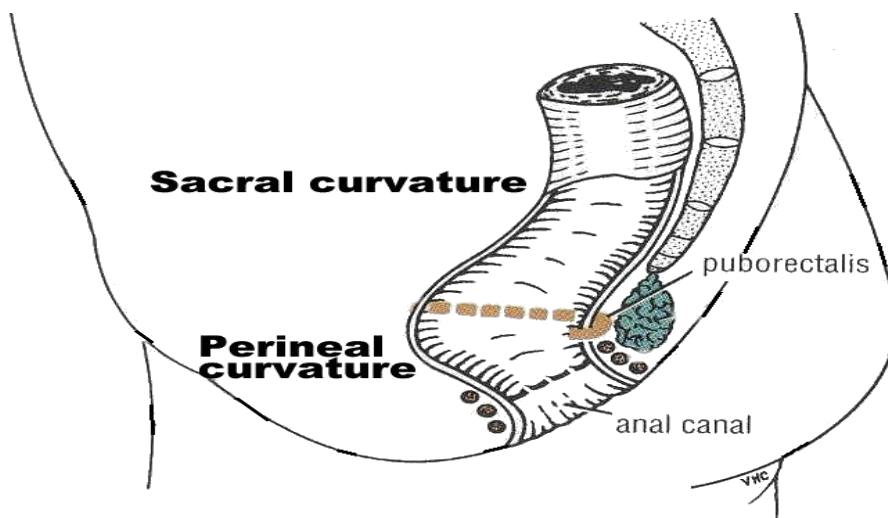
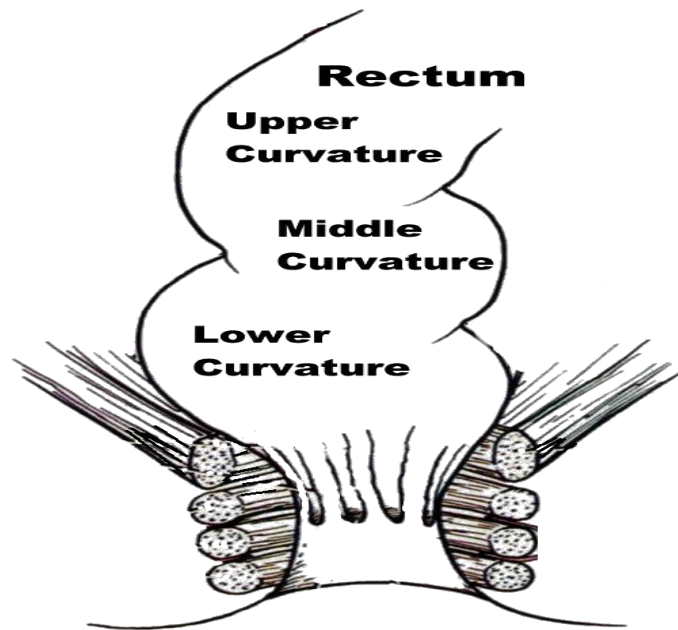
## ANATOMY OF RECTUM :

Length of rectum is 12 cm

- Rectum starts at S3 and follows the curve of the sacrum
- It has 3 lateral curves 2 in the left side, 1 in the right side
- It enters as anal canal at the level of levator ani - puborectalis
- Dilated part is called ampulla



Lateral curvatures – 3 & Antero – posterior curvatures - 2



## **INTERIOR OF RECTUM :**

### **HOUSTON VALVES**

**1<sup>ST</sup>-S3vertebra,left / right**

**2<sup>nd</sup>-(left)**

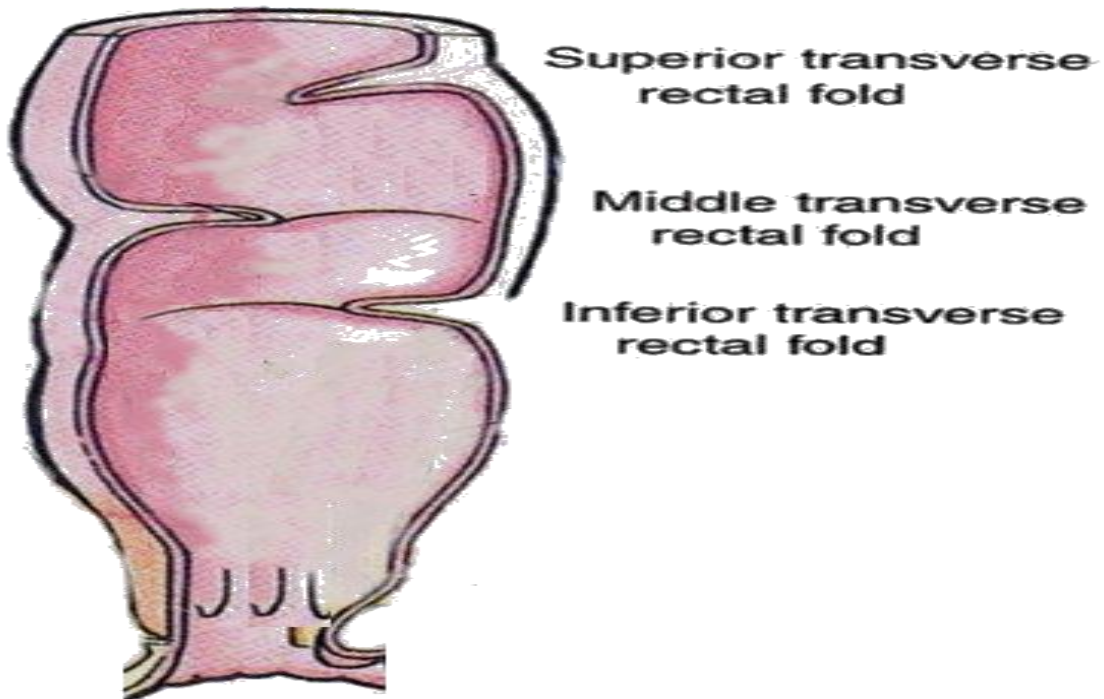
**3<sup>rd</sup>-most imp & constant**

**(right)...S5 vertebra**

**4<sup>th</sup>-(left)**

### **Functions**

**Support the weight of faeces**



## **PERITONEAL COVERING OF RECTUM :**

Peritoneum covers anterior and lateral sides in the upper part

It covers only anterior portion in the middle part

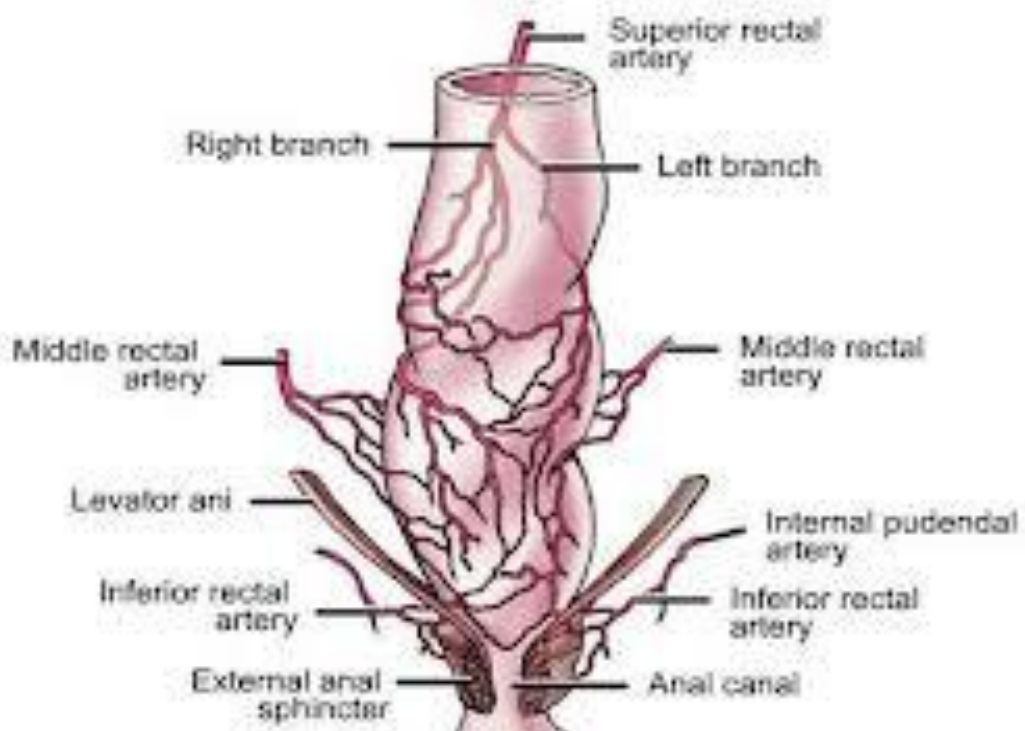
No peritoneal covering in the lower part

## **BLOOD SUPPLY OF RECTUM :**

Superior rectal Artery - a branch of Inf.Mesentric.Artery

Middle rectal A -Internal iliac Artery

Inferior rectal A -Internal iliac Artery



**Anterior View**

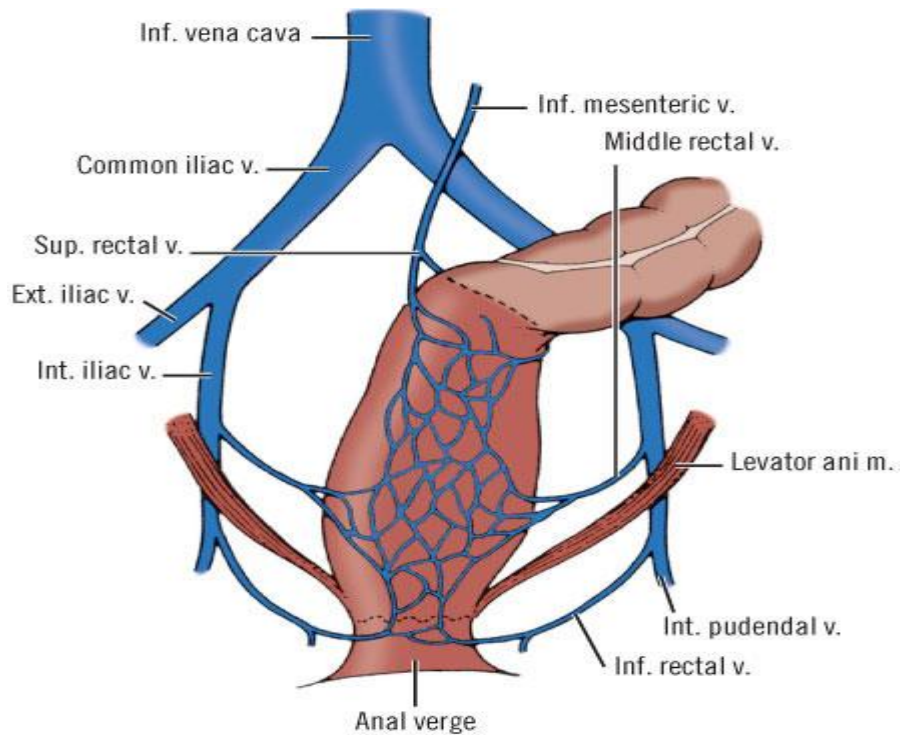
## VENOUS DRAINAGE :

Of Rectum - Sup.Rectal .Vein - Portal circulation

Middle.Rectal.Vein-

sys.t.circulation

Inf .Rectal. Vein - Systemic circulation



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## NERVE SUPPLY :

Sympathetic – Hypogastric nerve

Hypo gastric plexus

- at sacral promontary

Pelvic plexus

– At lateral wall of the rectum



Para sympathetic –Nervi erigentis

Pelvic plexus

- ▶ SYMPATHETIC-superior hypogastric plexus(L1,L2)
- PARASYMPATHETIC -pelvic splanchnic nerves.

### **MESORECTUM :**

- Anatomically the word is a misnomer
- It is a cushion of fatty tissue,that surrounds the rectum postero laterally and is covered by a membrane called fascia propria

### **FASCIA RECTUM :**

#### **Fascia propria**

**Visceral layer of the endo pelvic fascia covering the meso rectum**

#### **Denonvilliers fascia**

**Interposed between rectum and bladder**

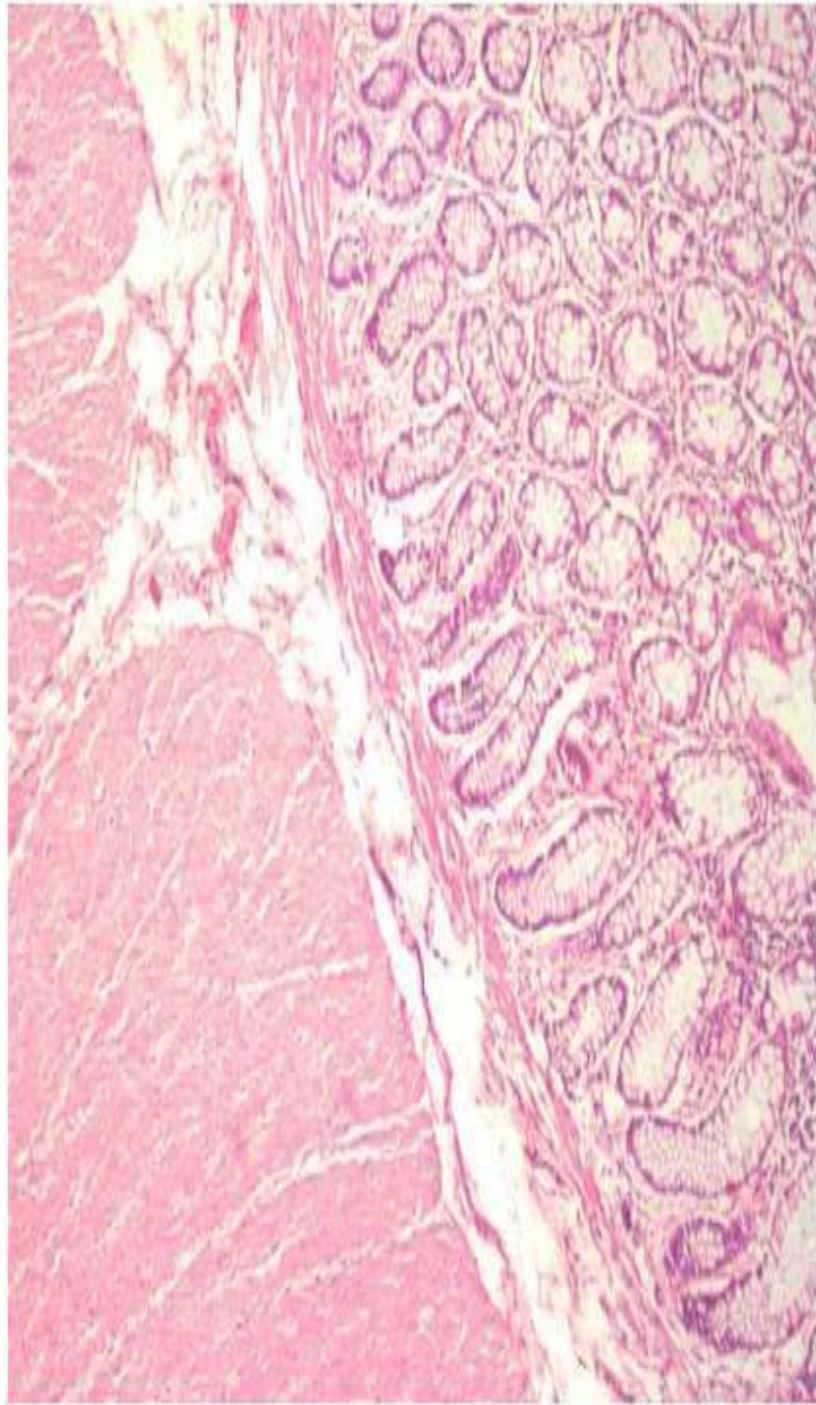
#### **Waldayers fascia**

**Between rectum and sacrum contains S.R.A**

#### **Lateral ligament of the rectum**

**Between mesorectum and pelvic sidewall contains M.R.A and  
nervi erigentis**

## Normal Histology



**Figure 1: Histology of Colon (H&E X40)**

The gut wall has four main layers

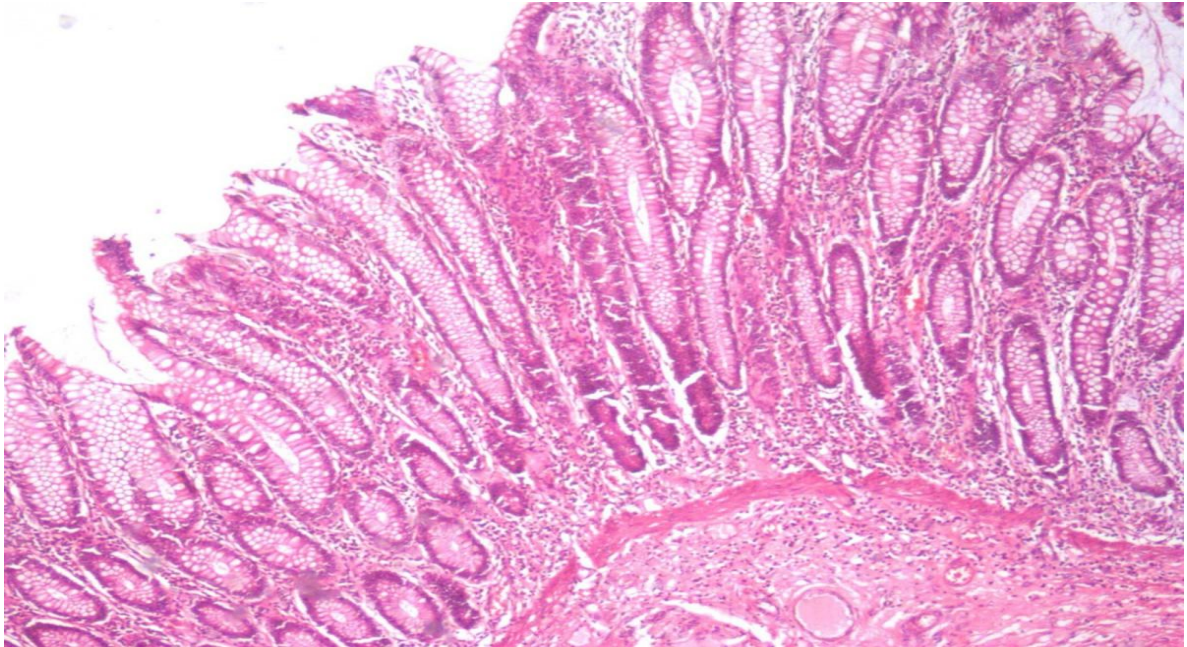
mucosa,

submucosa,

muscularis externa and

serosa (Fig 1).

The mucosa is pale, smooth in the colon but in the rectum it is thicker, darker, more vascular, and more loosely attached to the submucosa. The mucosa has three components: Epithelium, lamina propria and muscularis-mucosae .



**Figure 2: Normal Colonic Mucosa (H&E X40)**

The mucosal surface is covered by a layer of columnar to cuboidal epithelium. Crypts of Lieberkuhn open here. The surface epithelium is composed of absorptive cells (with basally located nuclei, mucin-negative acidophilic cytoplasm, and lumenally directed apical striated borders) and goblet cells (which synthesize, store, and secrete mucin granules). Lymphocytes and occasional eosinophils are present between the surface epithelial cells. The crypts are long, tubular in shape, and are arranged parallel to each other. The crypt epithelium contains mature absorptive cells, goblet cells and immature and undifferentiated precursor cells. These stem cells are located at or near the bases of the intestinal glands, where they divide by mitosis. They provide cells that migrate towards the luminal surface of the intestine further undergo differentiation later apoptosis and are shed after approximately 5 days. Few endocrine cells and Paneth cells dominate at the base of the crypts. **Paneth cells** contain numerous eosinophilic secretory granules, lysozymes, epidermal growth factor, and other substances. They are usually present only in the **cecum** and **proximal right colon**.

### **Lamina propria**

The lamina propria is composed of connective tissue to support the epithelium.

Solitary lymphoid follicles within the lamina propria are most abundant in the caecum, appendix and rectum, but are scattered along the rest of the large

intestine. Few plasma cells, histiocytes, and mast cells are seen scattered in a network of collagen fibers, smooth muscle bundles, vessels, and nerves. The lamina propria does not contain any lymphatic vessels.

### **Muscularis mucosa**

The muscularis mucosa of the large intestine has prominent longitudinal and circular layers.

### **Submucosa**

The submucosa is composed of loose connective tissue containing vessels, lymphatics & sub mucosal neural plexus of Meissner.

### **Muscularis externa**

The muscularis externa has outer longitudinal and inner circular layers of smooth muscle with the myenteric neural plexus of Auerbach lying between them. The longitudinal fibers form a continuous layer, macroscopically aggregated as longitudinal bands or taeniae coli. The circular fibres form a thin layer over the caecum and colon and form a thick layer in the rectum. In the anal canal they form the internal anal sphincter.

### **Serosa**

The serosa or visceral peritoneum forms small fat-filled appendices epiploicae.

Subserous loose connective tissue attaches the peritoneum to the muscularis externa. The serosa has a single layer of flattened to cuboidal cells and the subjacent fibro elastic tissue. Interstitial cells of Cajal are present scattered throughout the wall. Immunohistochemically, the epithelial cells of the normal colonic mucosa contain CK8, 18, 19, and 20, but not CK7. Immunoreactivity for CK19 increases as the cells progress up the crypt toward the surface.

## **PHYSIOLOGY OF COLON AND RECTUM:**

### **FUNCTIONS :**

- ✓ **SECRETION**
- ✓ **ABSORPTION**
- ✓ **EXCRETION**
- ✓ **SYNTHETIC**
- ✓ **DIGESTION**

### **SECRETIONS OF LARGE INTESTINE**

- ✓ **REGULATED BY NEUROHORMONAL AGONIST**
- ✓ **WATERY SECRETION PH 8**
- ✓ **COMPOSED OF WATER 99.5 %, SOLIDS 0.5%**
- ✓ **ORGANIC SUBSTANCES - ALBUMIN, GLOBULIN, MUCOUS, UREA**
- ✓ **IN ORGANIC SUBSTANCES -  $\text{HCO}_3^-$  ,  $\text{K}^+$**

## **SECRETIONS USE :**

- ✓ NEUTRALISATION - HIGH  $\text{HCO}_3$  NEUTRALISES ACIDS PRODUCED BY BACTERIAS
- ✓ LUBRICATION - MUCUS
- PROTECTS WALL AGAINST EXCORIATION
- HOLDS FAECES
- PROTECTS WALL FROM BACTERIAL ACTIVITY

## **ABSORPTION**

- ✓ 5-7 LITRES FLUIDS
  - ✓ WATER
  - ✓ ORGANIC-GLUCOSE ,STEROIDS ,SEDATIVES  
ANAESTHETICS
  - ✓ INORGANIC - Na , Cl
- CONSERVATION OF  $\text{Na}^+$
- ✓ VITAL TO FLUID AND ELECTROLYTE BALANCE
  - ✓ ENHANCED BY ALDOSTERONE, GLUCOCORTICIDS,  
STOMOTOSTATIN,SHORT CHAIN FATTY ACIDS
  - ✓ DEHYDRATION- ILEOSTOMY PTS WHEN PLACED IN LOW Na DIET

## **EXCRETION**

- ✓ **HEAVY METALS** - MERCURY ,LEAD, ARSENIC ,BISMUTH
- ✓ **SYNTHESIS OF VITAMINS**
- ✓ **BACTERIAL FLORA** -VITAMINS FOLIC ACID ,VIT K , VIB12
- ✓ **DIGESTION** - NO DIGESTIVE ENZYMES

## **COLONIC METABOLISM**

- ✓ **SHORT CHAIN FATTY ACIDS**
  - PROXIMAL COLON
  - FERMENTATION OF CARBOHYDRATES
  - AUGMENTS ABSORPTION OF Na+Cl- , H2O
  - COMBAT INFLAMATION
  - CONTRIBUTES TO TOTAL CALORIES
  - PROMOTES WOUND HEALING IN COLON
- ✓ **REGIONAL HETEROGENEITY**
- ✓ **RIGHT COLON – RESERVOIR FOR MIXING AND STORAGE**
- ✓ **LEFTT COLON- CONDUIT**
- ✓ **RECTOM AND ANAL CANAL- DEFAECATION AND CONTINENCE**
- ✓ **RIGHT HEMICOLECTOMY- LEFT COLON AUGMENTS STORAGE CAPACITY WITHIN 6 MONTHS**



## **MOVEMENTS OF LARGE INTESTINE**

- ✓ **NON PROPULSIVE MOVEMENTS**
- ✓ **SEGMENTATION CONTRACTIONS**
  - MIXING MOVEMENTS :CIRCUMFERENTIAL
  - REGULAR DISTANCE

## **MOVEMENTS OF LARGE INTESTINE**

- ✓ **PROPULSIVE MOVEMENTS**
- ✓ **MASS PERISTALSIS**
- ✓ **HIGH AMPLITUDE PROPAGATIVE CONTRACTIONS (HAPC )**
  - PROPULSIVE MOVEMENTS -
  - DURATION 10 MIN -
  - NEUROGENIC FACTORS , GASTROCOLIC REFLEX,  
PARASYMPATHETIC STIMULATION

## **HIGH AMPLITUDE PROPAGATIVE CONTRACTIONS (HAPC)**

- ✓ **ORIGINATES PREDOMINANTLY IN CAECUM AND ASCENDING COLON**
- ✓ **6 TIMES PER DAY**
- ✓ **ACCOUNTS FOR URGE TO DEFAECATE**
- ✓ **INDUCED BY NEOSTIGMINE, BISOCODYL, GLYCEROL**

## **GASTRO COLIC REFLEX**

- ✓ COLONIC MOTOR RESPONSE TO EATING
- ✓ BEGINS WITHIN FEW SECONDS OF EATING
- ✓ LASTS UPTO 2.5 HRS
- ✓ INFLUENCED BY MEAL COMPOSITION AND CALORIC CONTENT >500 KCAL
- ✓ PRESERVED EVEN AFTER GASTRECTOMY

## **DEFAECATION**

- ✓ SPINAL REFLEX
- ✓ URGE TO DEFAECATE-18mmHg
- ✓ RECTUM USUALLY EMPTY
- ✓ FACTORS--DETERMINING  
ADULTS- HABITS, CULTURAL,  
CHILDREN- GASTRO COLIC REFLEX
- ✓ CONTENTS EXPELLED >55mmHg

## **FAECAL CONTINENCE**

- ✓ PUBO RECTALIS
- ✓ ANO RECTAL ANGLE >80
- ✓ SQUATTING

## **ANAL PRESSURE**

✓ RESTING TONE

✓ 70-100CM H<sub>2</sub>O

✓ INTERNAL SPHINCTER

RESTING STATE-SLOW SINUSOIDAL WAVES,1. CONSTANT

SINUSOIDAL PATTERN

2.WAXING-WANING PATTERN

## **FAECES**

✓ **COMPOSITION**

WATER -75%

SOLIDS -25% CELLULOSE&OTHER INDIGESTABLE FIBRES-

VARIABLE% ,

BACTERIA 30% ,INORGANIC Ca, P -15%,FAT & DERIVATIVES 5%

## **FAECES**

COLOUR -STERCOBILIN ,UROBILIN

✓ ODOUR - INDOLE,SKETOLE,MERCAPTANS, H<sub>2</sub>S

✓ STORAGE - SIGMOID COLON

✓ 200-250ML

## FLATUS

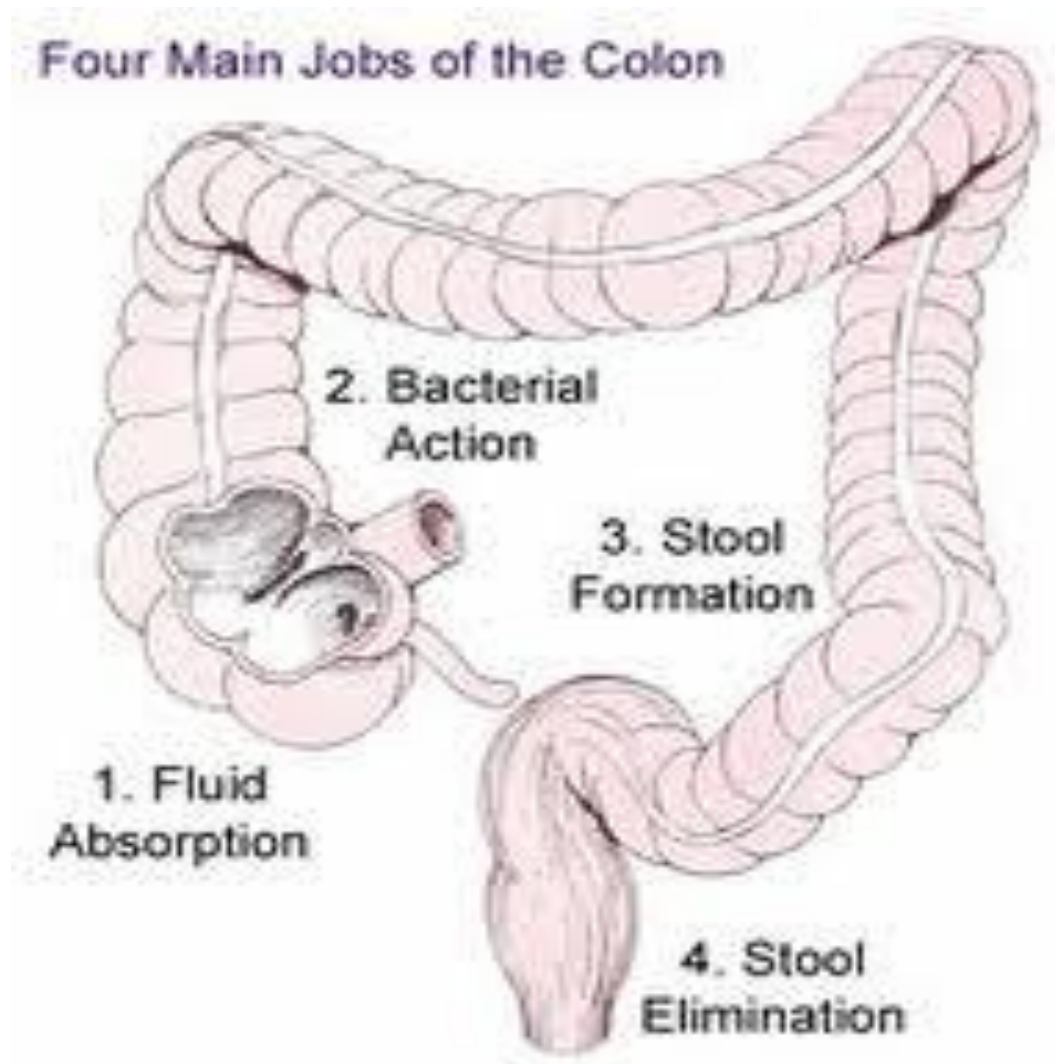
✓ SWALLOWING

✓ FERMENTATION

✓ DIFFUSION

✓ COMPOSITION-NITROGEN 12-60%,CO<sub>2</sub> - 40 % , H<sub>2</sub>,METHANE - 20% ,NH<sub>3</sub>,H<sub>2</sub>S <1%[ODOUR]

✓ 400-600ML



## COLO - RECTAL CARCINOMA

### INTRODUCTION :

Colorectal cancer is the 2nd common malignancy in western countries with many patients dying per annum in the U.K . The rectum is the most frequent site involved . One of the most common GI malignancies .Found to occur in both *familial and sporadic* forms.Occurrence of familial cancer syndromes provides opportunity for screening in relatives of affected individuals .Early detection provides opportunity for curative surgery especially in those with familial cancers.

### EPIDEMIOLOGY :

Occurs most commonly in the 6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> decade in the sporadic form but much earlier in the familial syndromes. *Dietary and environmental factors* are a major factor in the occurrence of colorectal cancers. This is primarily a cancer of the affluent Western population .Various risk factors have been identified with relation to colo rectal cancers .

## **RISK FACTORS :**

### **Diet and lifestyle**

A high incidence is observed in populations with a diet rich in animal fat and calories, Low fiber intake and a sedentary lifestyle also contribute to the risk. Epidemiological studies have indicated that meat consumption, smoking and alcohol consumption are risk factors

### **Meat and heterocyclic amines**

Excessively cooked meat contains heterocyclic amines and nitrosamines which are carcinogens and produce mutations in Adenomatous Polyposis Coli (APC ) and occasionally in K-ras . .

### **Smoking**

Tobacco smoke contains heterocyclic amines, polycyclic hydrocarbons and nitrosamines which are carcinogenic. Evidence suggests that APC may be a target for heterocyclic amines.

### **Alcohol**

Alcohol consumption has been associated with increased CRC risk in males. Acetaldehyde is a potent adduct former which may result in inhibition of DNA repair besides alcohol.

## **Calcium and Bile acids :**

Bile acids serve as promoters or comutagens colonic carcinogenesis.

Calcium in diet converts bile acids into insoluble salts .

## **Selenium:**

Epidemiological and intervention studies have shown a protective role of selenium in colorectal cancer.

## **Physical Activity and Body Mass**

Physical activity may stimulate colonic peristalsis, thereby decreasing the time that colonic contents are in contact with the epithelium. Higher physical activity is associated with a general metabolic milieu that is less favourable for colon cancer.

## **Vegetables, folate , fiber, and anticarcinogens**

Fiber consumption - 40 gm/day per person might decrease the risk of colon cancer by 50% by increasing the stool bulk and reducing the transit time.

This decreases the exposure of mucosa to the carcinogenic agents, increases the capacity of certain fibers to bind carcinogens and thereby protect the mucosa. High fat intake increases the level of bile acids in the gut, which in turn modifies intestinal flora, favoring the growth of microaerophilic bacteria.

Bile acid metabolites produced by these bacteria may function as carcinogens.

## **Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs)**

Studies suggest that aspirin or other NSAIDs have a protective effect by inhibiting the enzyme cyclooxygenase-2 (COX-2), necessary for producing prostaglandin E2, which promotes epithelial proliferation, particularly after injury. COX-2 is over expressed in adenomas and carcinomas.

## **GENETIC PRE DISPOSITION— IN HERITED SYNDROMES**

### **Familial Adenomatous Polyposis (FAP)**

FAP is an autosomal dominant syndrome caused by an inherited mutation in the Adenomatous Polyposis Coli (APC) gene. It is characterized by the development of multiple colorectal adenomas, numbers varying from a few polyps to several thousand.

**Familial Adenomatous Polyposis Syndrome is due to *mutation in APC gene* (a tumor suppressor gene located in the long arm of chromosome 5 locus 21)**

***100% risk of developing malignancy***

**Classic FAP – about 500 to 2500 colonic adenomas throughout the colon (minimum 100 is necessary for diagnosis)**



**Attenuated FAP – few polyps (average 30) located in proximal colon.**

**Lifetime risk of developing into malignancy is about 50%**

### **FAP VARIANTS**

#### **GARDNER SYNDROME**

**Intestinal polyp (like classical FAP), multiple osteomas (of mandible, skull, long bones...), epidermoid cysts, fibromatosis & desmoid tumors, dental abnormalities, CHRPE (Congenital Hypertrophy of Retinal Pigment Epithelium), duodenal & thyroid cancer**

#### **TURCOT SYNDROME**

**Combination of adenomatous polyposis and tumors of CNS (medulloblastoma in 2/3<sup>rd</sup> associated with mutation in APC & in 1/3<sup>rd</sup> associated with HNPCC develop glioblastoma)**

## **HEREDITARY NON – POLYPOSIS CARCINOMA COLI**

**(HNPCC / LYNCH SYNDROME )**

**Hereditary Non Polyposis Carcinoma Coli - name is a *misnomer* as this syndrome is also characterized by polyps but they are few in number and rapidly progress to carcinoma. Autosomal Dominant type of inheritance.**

**Two varieties are identified :**

**Lynch Syndrome I**

**Risk of developing colon cancer (70-80%) alone, without other cancers**

**Lynch Syndrome II**

**Risk of developing cancers of ovary, breast, endometrium, stomach, bile ducts, small bowel, kidney, ureter, bladder *in addition to colon cancer***

.Colon cancers in HNPCC patients occur at younger ages and are often located in the right colon.

HNPCC is caused by inherited mutations in mis-match repair genes .

Majority of HNPCC cases involve MSH2 and MLH1.

## **Diagnosis of HNPCC**

### **Amsterdam Criteria**

- 1. One member diagnosed with CRC before 50 yrs.**
- 2. Two Affected generations**
- 3. Three affected relatives with one being an FDR of the other two**
- 4. FAP is excluded**
- 5. Pathologic confirmation**

**FDR = First Degree Relative**

### **Amsterdam Criteria II**

- o Same as that of Amsterdam criteria but it includes all HNPCC associated cancers diagnosed before 50 years and not just colorectal cancer.**

## **BETHESDA CRITERIA :**

- 1. Individuals in families that meet the Amsterdam criteria**
- 2. Individuals with two HNPCC related cancers (CRC/Extracolonic)**
- 3. Individuals with CRC and an FDR with CRC, HNPCC related cancer or colorectal adenoma (cancer diagnosed <45 yrs., adenoma <40 yrs of age)**
- 4. Individuals with CRC or endo -metrial cancer diagnosed <45 yrs of age**
- 5. Individuals with undifferentiated right sided CRC diagnosed <45 yrs of age**
- 6. Individuals with signet ring CRC diagnosed < 45 yrs**
- 7. Individuals with adenomas diagnosed < 40 yrs of age**

Chronic inflammatory conditions such as ulcerative colitis and colonic Crohn disease develop CRC as a long term complication. This follows the dysplasia –carcinoma sequence.

Irradiation is also one of the aetiological factors in colorectal neoplasia following therapeutic pelvic irradiation.

## **Molecular genetic features**

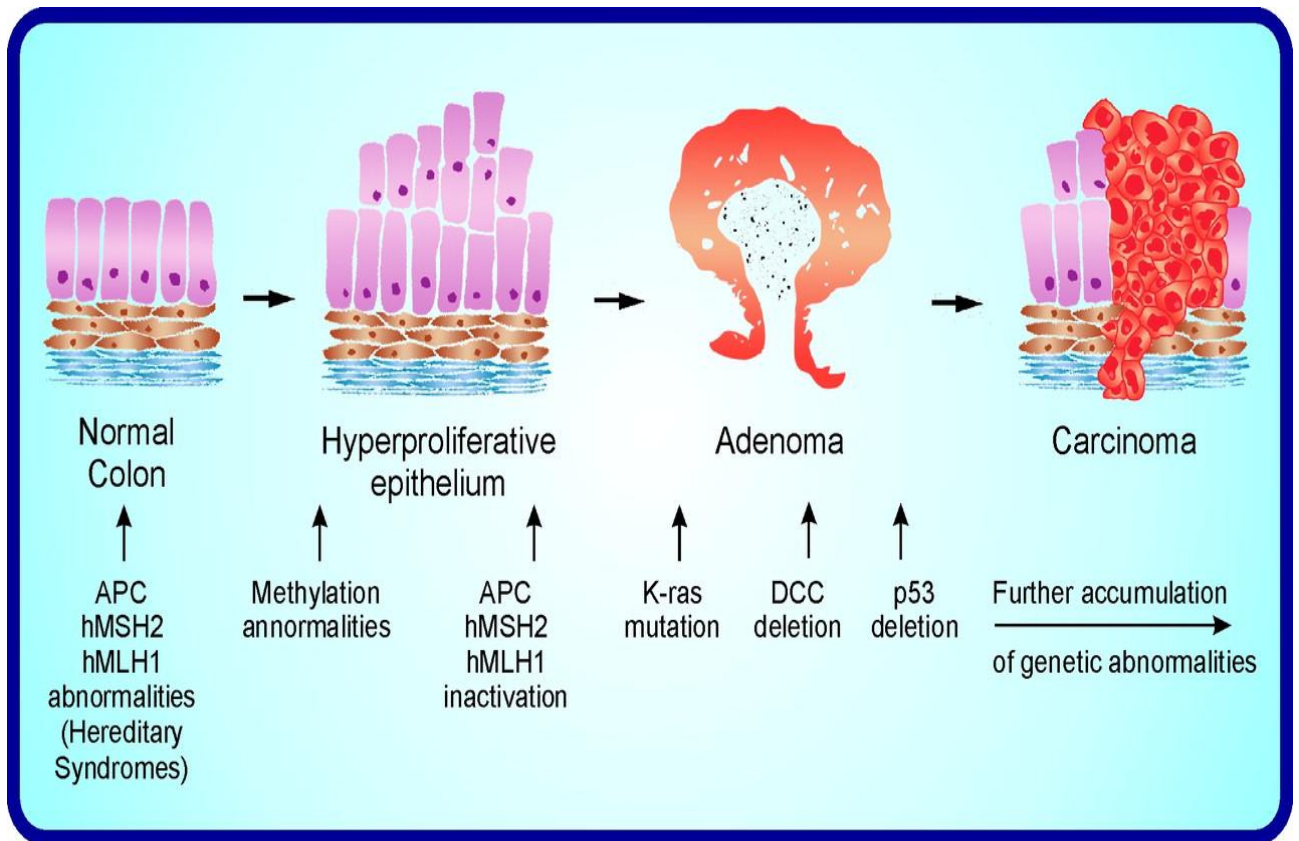
CRC is traditionally divided into sporadic and familial (hereditary) cases.

For 75%-80% of colo-rectal tumours, origin is sporadic. A high proportion of patients have one 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup>-degree relative with CRC. There are two major pathways in colorectal carcinogenesis.

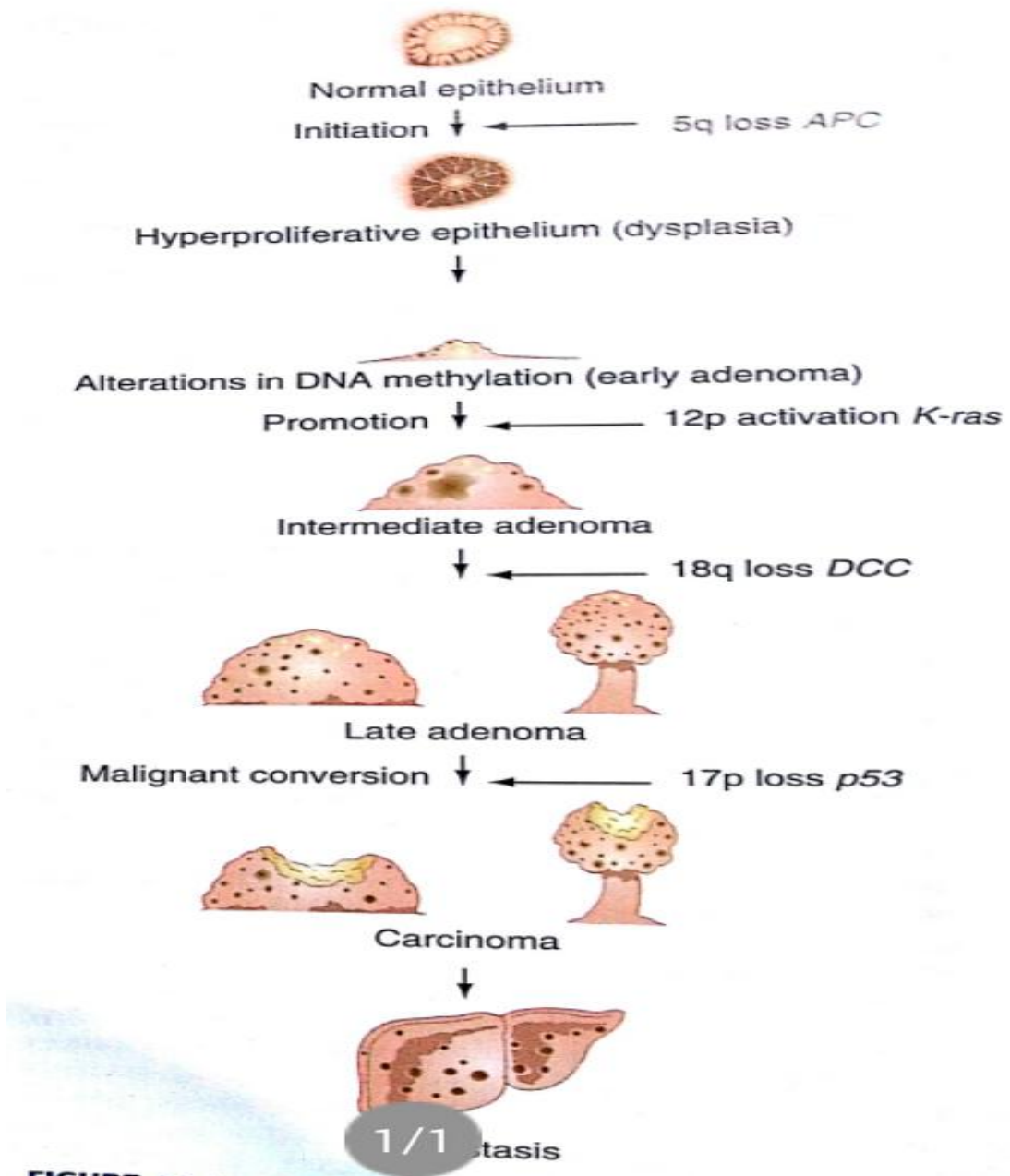
The classic adenoma-carcinoma sequence and the second pathway involves microsatellite instability (MSI). Both pathways involve the by which the mutations accumulate differ.

### **ADENOMA – CARCINOMA SEQUENCE :**

- ⊠ This theory was propounded by *Fearon & Vogelstein*
- ⊠ It describes the orderly progression of adenomas to carcinomas and the mutations at various steps of the same.
- ⊠ This proceeds in a step by step fashion in the form of *adenoma → dysplasia → metaplasia → carcinoma*
- ⊠ The advantage is that the time frame for such a progression is between 5 – 10 years that gives us *ample time for detection and screening* and hence for curative measures



This pathway is present in 80%-85% of CRC. The development of CRA is a multistep process which can arise due to accumulation of molecular alterations including chromosomal abnormalities, genetic mutations with activation of oncogenes coupled with inactivation of tumour suppressor genes and epigenetic changes.



An orderly progression of carcinoma

## **GROSS TYPES :**

ANNULAR , TUBULAR , ULCERATIVE , CAULIFLOWER LIKE

## **CLASSIFICATION OF COLONIC TUMORS**

Epithelial tumors

- Adeno carcinoma
- Mucinous adeno carcinoma
- Small cell carcinoma
- Squamous cell carcinoma

Non epithelial tumor

Carcinoid,GIST, nodular lymphoid hyperplasia ,lymphoma

Secondary tumors

### **ANNULAR**

- Stenosing type
- - Common in Lt side colon
- - growth spreads around the internal wall. Circumferential growth
- -Intestinal obstruction



## **PROLIFERATIVE**

- Common in Right side colon
- fleshy polypoid and bulky growth
- less malignant

## **ULCEROPROLIFERATIVE**

- Exophytic (polypoid/fungating)
- Ascending colon & caecum.
- Right side mass and anemia

## **SYMPTOMS OF COLORECTAL CANCER**

- ✓ *Change in bowel habit*
- ✓ **Abdominal pain**
- ✓ *Bleeding per rectum*
- ✓ **Passage of mucus**
- ✓ **Weight loss**
- ✓ *Abdominal mass*
- ✓ *Tumour protrusion through anal orifice*
- ✓ **Rectourethral/ Rectovesical fistula**
- ✓ **Rectovaginal/ Rectouterine fistula**

### **Other less common presentations are**

- **Abscess**
- **Fistula**

### **Symptoms due to metastases**

- **5% of patients present with symptoms related to metastases only ,the primary tumor remaining “silent “.**
- **They are**
  - Bone pain
  - Jaundice
  - Pathological fracture
  - Neurological symptoms
  - Personality changes
  - Thrombophlebitis migrans (Trousseau Syndrome)

### **Dermatological problems like**

- Acanthosis nigrans
- Dermatomyositis
- Pemphigoid
- Pyoderma gangrenosum

Skin nodules particularly at umbilicus- **SISTER JOSEPH NODULE**

- Multiple Liver Metastases
- Liver Metastases
- Brain Metastases
- Cannon Ball Metastases

### **Acute Abdomen in CRC :**

- ∫ **CRC can present as an acute abdomen in the form of**
- ∫ **Intestinal obstruction (acute/ sub acute)**
- ∫ **Lower GI bleed**
- ∫ **Perforation secondary to pre op preparation or obstruction**
- ∫ **Pelvic abscess secondary to perforation**



## **MODIFIED DUKE'S CLASSIFICATION :**

**Stage A**:- Limited to Mucosa

**Stage B1**:- Into Muscularis Propria

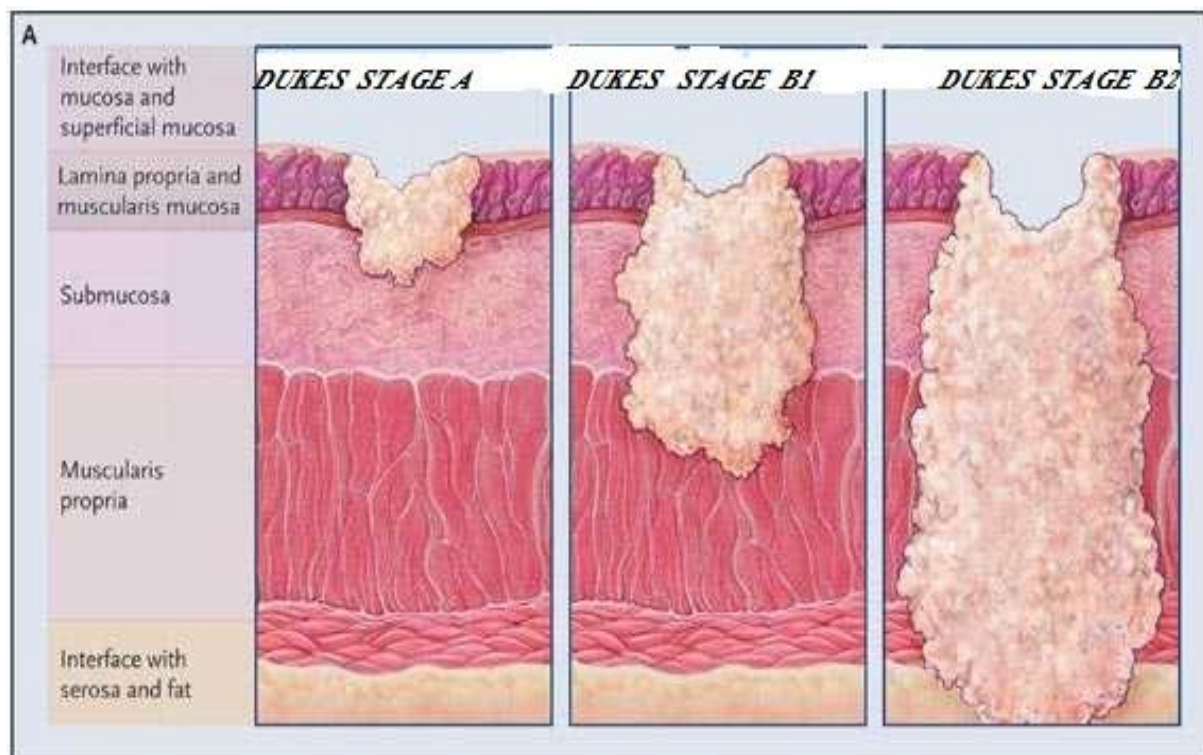
**Stage B2**:- Through serosa

**Stage C1**:- Any tumor with involvement of 1- 4 regional lymph nodes

**Stage C2**:- Any tumor with involvement of >4 regional lymph nodes

**Stage C3**:- >4 regional lymph nodes

**Stage D**:- Distant Metastases



**MODIFIED ASTLER -COLLER CLASSIFICATION OF THE  
DUKE'S STAGING SYSTEM FOR COLORECTAL CANCER :**

**STAGE A :** LESION NOT PENETRATING SUB – MUCOSA

**STAGE B1 :** LESION INVADES , BUT NOT THROUGH THE  
MUSCULARIS PROPRIA

**STAGE B2 :** LESION INVADES THROUGH INTESTINAL WALL , NO  
ADJACENT ORGAN INVOLVEMENT

**STAGE C1 :** LESION B1 INVASION DEPTH , REGIONAL LYMPH  
NODE METASTASIS

**STAGE C2 :** LESION B2 INVASION DEPTH , REGIONAL LYMPH  
NODE METASTASIS

**STAGE C3 :** LESION B3 INVASION DEPTH , REGIONAL LYMPH  
NODE METASTASIS

**STAGE D :** DISTANT METASTATIC DISEASE

## **TNM CLASSIFICATION OF THE TUMOURS OF COLON & RECTUM**

**T – Primary Tumour**

**T<sub>x</sub>- Primary tumour cannot be assessed**

**T<sub>0</sub>- No evidence of primary tumour**

**T<sub>is</sub>- Carcinoma in situ: intraepithelial or invasion  
of lamina propria.**

**T<sub>1</sub>- Tumour invades submucosa**

**T<sub>2</sub>- Tumour invades muscularis propria**

**T<sub>3</sub>- Tumour invades through muscularis propria**

**into subserosa/ into non-peritonealized pericolic or perirectal  
tissues**

**T<sub>4a</sub> - Perforates visceral peritoneum**

**4b- Tumour directly invades other organs or Structures**

## **N – REGIONAL LYMPH NODES**

**N<sub>x</sub>- Regional lymph nodes cannot be assessed**

**N<sub>0</sub>- No regional lymph node metastasis**

**N<sub>1</sub>- N1a – one regional Lymph Node**

**N1 b – 2 or 3 regional Lymph Nodes**

**N1 c – tumour deposits sub serosa and mesentry , pericolic/  
perirectal tissue without Lymph Nodes**

**N<sub>2</sub>- Metastasis in 4 or more regional lymph nodes**

**N2 a- Metastasis in 4 to 6 regional lymph nodes**

**N2 b – Metastasis in 7 or more regional lymph nodes**

**M – Distant Metastasis**

**M<sub>x</sub>- Distant metastasis cannot be assessed**

**M<sub>0</sub>- No distant metastasis**

**M<sub>1</sub>- Distant metastasis.**

**a – metastasis confined to 1 organ / site (liver ,lung ,ovary)**

**b – metastasis to more than 1 organ / site/Peritoneum**

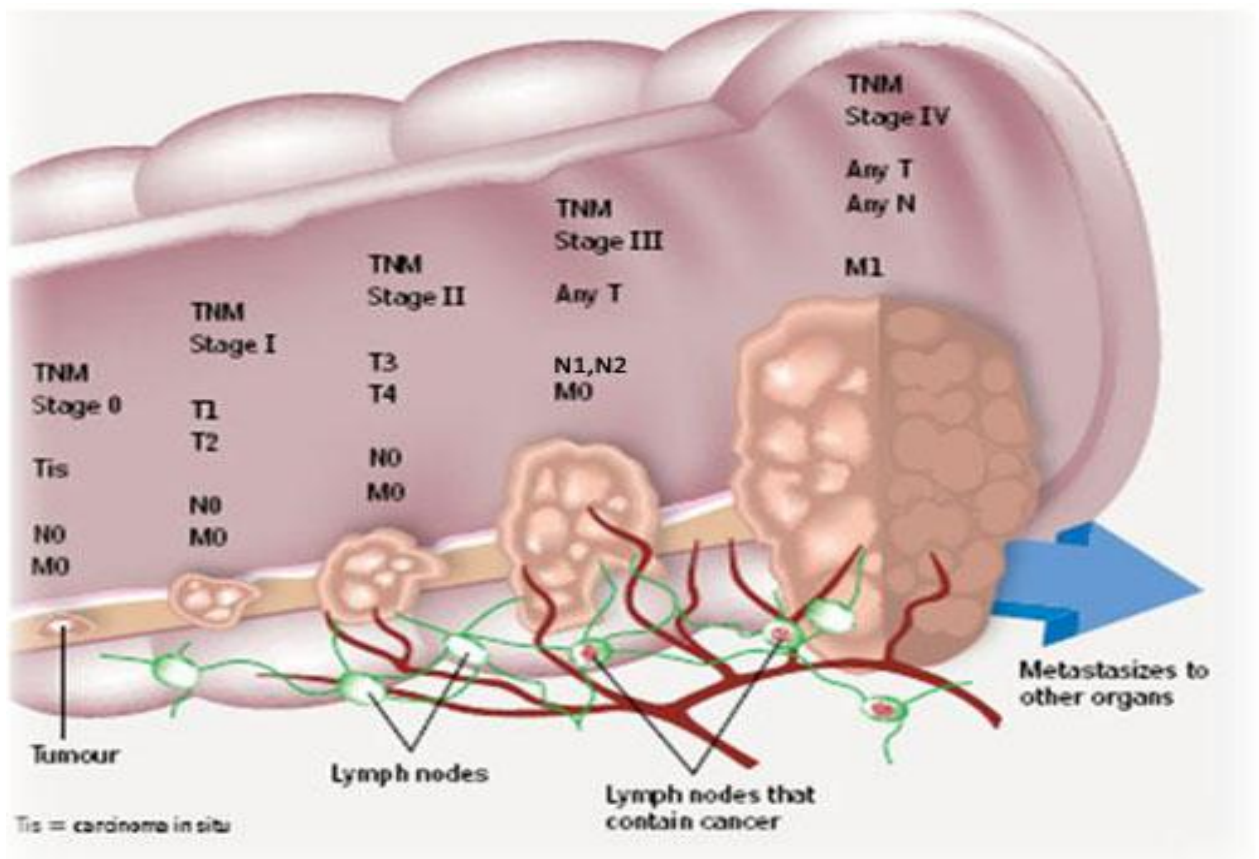
<b>STAGE I</b>	<b>T1</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Mo</b>
	<b>T2</b>		
<b>STAGE -II A</b>	<b>T3</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Mo</b>
<b>STAGE - II B</b>	<b>T4A</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Mo</b>
<b>STAGE - II C</b>	<b>T4B</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Mo</b>
<b>STAGE - III A</b>	<b>T1-T2</b>	<b>N1/N1C</b>	<b>Mo</b>
	<b>T1</b>	<b>N2A</b>	<b>Mo</b>
<b>STAGE - III B</b>	<b>T3-T4A</b>	<b>N1/N1C</b>	<b>Mo</b>
	<b>T2-T3</b>	<b>N2A</b>	<b>Mo</b>
	<b>T1-T2</b>	<b>N2B</b>	<b>Mo</b>
<b>STAGE - III C</b>	<b>T4A</b>	<b>N2A</b>	<b>Mo</b>
	<b>T3-T4A</b>	<b>N2B</b>	<b>Mo</b>
<b>STAGE - IV A</b>	<b>ANY T</b>	<b>ANY N</b>	<b>M1A</b>
<b>STAGE - IV B</b>	<b>ANY T</b>	<b>Any n</b>	<b>M1B</b>



## AJCC - TNM STAGING SYSTEM :

### Histologic grade

- Gx – Grade can't be assessed
- G1 – well differentiated
- G2 – moderately differentiated
- G3 – poorly differentiated
- G4 – un differentiated



## **INVESTIGATIONS :**

1.COMPLETE HEMOGRAM

2.BLOOD SUGAR

3.BLOOD UREA

4.SERUM CREATININE

5.LIVER FUNCTION TESTS

6.COAGULATION PROFILE

7.SERUM ELECTROLYTES

Half of the patients are anaemic. Iron deficiency anaemia of un-determined etiology, however, warrants evaluation for colonic cancer, particularly in the elderly.

Hypoalbuminaemia indicates poor nutritional status from advanced cancer.

Elevated alkaline phosphatase - Hepatic Metastases

Serum lactate dehydrogenase level can be elevated in colonic cancers.

Diarrhoea, Nausea and vomiting, associated with colonic cancers can produce hypo-volemia, hypo-kalemia, or alkalosis.

## 8. SERUM CEA :

**CEA ( CARCINO EMBRYOGENIC ANTIGEN ) is a cell surface glycoprotein discovered by Gold and Freedman .**

It is normally produced by colonic epithelium. It's serum half life is upto 10 days and cleared by liver through Kupffer cells. So its half life is prolonged in cholestasis and hepatocellular dysfunction .Most commonly used marker .

Sensitivity of 70% in CRC (<50% in localized disease)

Rising CEA is used as an indicator of disease/ recurrent tumors

Disadvantage is that it is non specific & cannot be used for screening

Normal 0-2.5ng/ml. Benign conditions <10ng/ml

Pre – operative levels > 7.5 ng /ml signifies poor prognosis

Only moderately sensitive

Other conditions like pancreatitis ,obstructive jaundice , hepatitis and benign prostatic hyperplasia also have elevated levels

## **SCREENING AND SURVEILLANCE FOR COLON CANCER**

### **BENEFITS OF SCREENING :**

- Cancer Prevention
- Removal of pre-cancerous polyps prevent cancer
- Improved Survival
- Early detection Improves Long term survival

### **FAECAL OCCULT BLOOD TESTING (FOBT )**

Commonly used test for screening colonic cancers .

It is most commonly tested by a colorimetric assay of a reaction on

Guaiac catalyzed by the pseudo-peroxidase present in blood.

- Highly insensitive (22%-28%)
- Most FOBT positive cases were found to be due to other causes
- Highly non specific
- Micro – scopic rectal bleeding detected

#### **Stool assay for K-ras, p-53, APC, BAT- 26**

Sensitivity of 91% for CRC & specificity of 93%

#### **Other markers :**

- CA 19-9
- CA 50

## **GENETIC MARKERS :**

- Mutations in APC gene (5q) .Occur in 80% of FAP cases
- Mutations in MMR in 50% of HNPCC
- 100% accuracy (both positive & negative) if the actual mutation has been identified in the index case
- Used for screening of family members

## **ANOSCOPY**

- Must always be preceded by a DRE.Used as an OP procedure for initial evaluation of a case of bleeding PR.Evaluation of anal and distal rectal lesions

## **RIGID PROCTOSIGMOIDOSCOPY**

- Investigation of choice for distal rectal lesions
- Accurate localization of rectal lesions with regard to site & distance from dentate line
- 25 cm long metal / plastic with fibre optic light source. Enema is not mandatory for the procedure. Perforation is a complication.Very uncomfortable to the patient. Examination is limited to the rectum and very distal part of sigmoid
- Difficult to visualize lesions behind mucosal folds & just inside the anal canal

## **FLEXIBLE SIGMOIDOSCOPY**

- 60 cm long instrument for visualizing sigmoid & descending colon
- Always preceded by an enema
- Air insufflation aids the procedure
- Better optics, flexibility & magnification are the advantages

## **COLONOSCOPY**

- Bowel preparation
- Prophylactic antibiotics
- Sedation & analgesia
- Pt. in left lateral position
- Formation of N & alpha loops are released by torque & jiggling motions
- ***GOLD STANDARD INVESTIGATION*** for patients with suspected colorectal cancer.

## **COMPLICATIONS**

- Perforation in 0.1% of cases
- Hemorrhage in 0.3% to 3% of cases especially after polypectomy
- Bacteremia
- Cardiac arrhythmias in susceptible patients

## DCBE (DOUBLE CONTRAST BARIUM ENEMA ) :

- Double Contrast Barium Enema another first line investigation in patients with suspected colon cancer. Barium enema followed by air insufflation  
80- 90 % sensitivity in colorectal cancers
- Lesions may be apple core type/ stricture/ polypoid / filling defects type



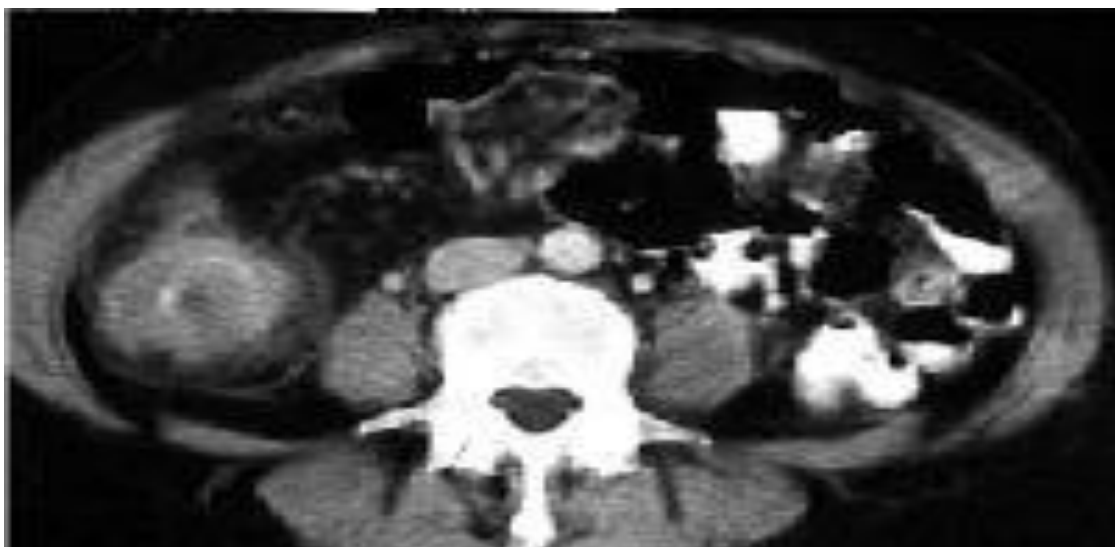
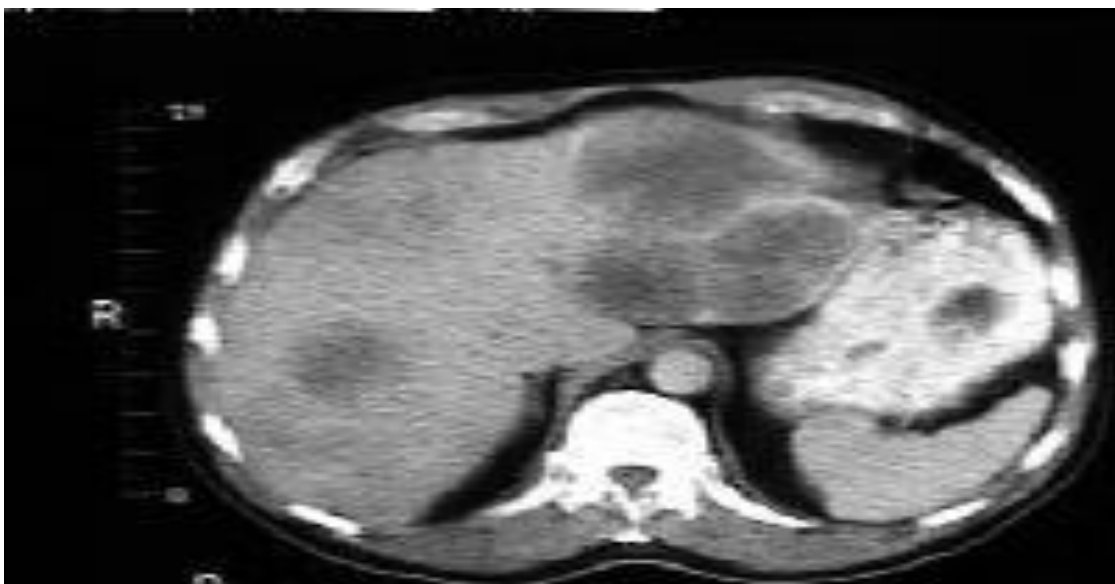
DCBE - APPLE CORE LESION

### DISADVANTAGES

- Non therapeutic. May miss small flat mucosal lesions. Provides no tissue diagnosis.. Spasm of colon can be mistaken for stricture .Lesions in sigmoid especially with diverticulosis can be easily missed
- Rarely perforation can occur

## CT ABDOMEN & PELVIS

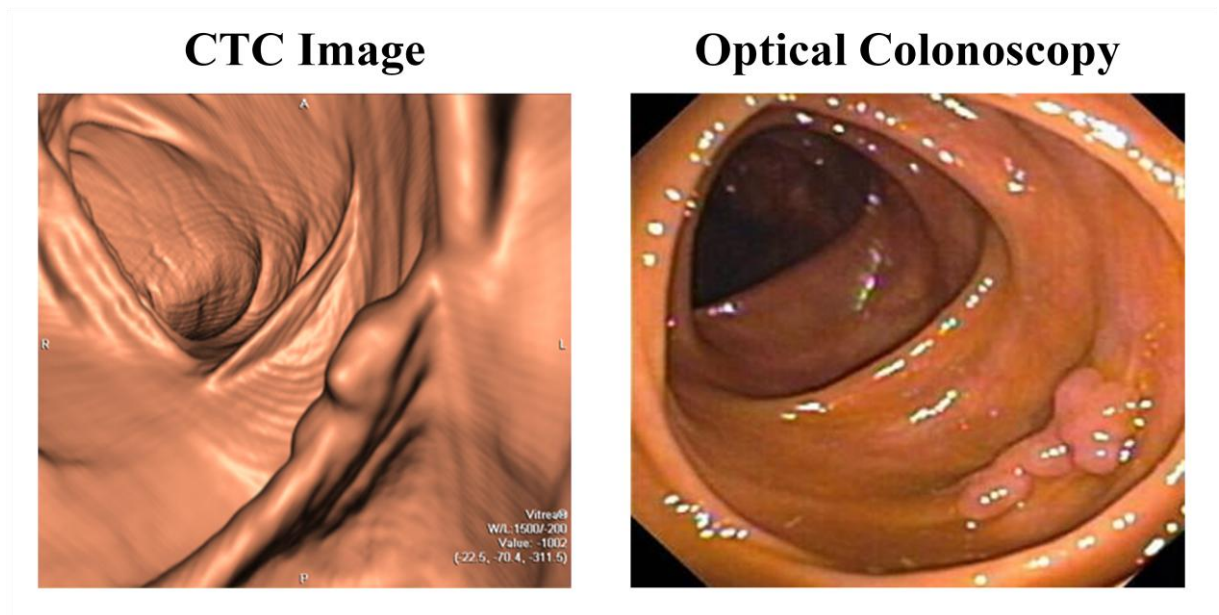
- Pre op staging esp. rectal cancer
- Mainly shows extra luminal spread
- Shows peri rectal invasion & lymph node involvement better than ERUS
- Assessment of liver metastasis
- Post op surveillance





## VIRTUAL COLONOSCOPY

- Patient bowel preparation
- Air/ CO 2 insufflation
- Helical CT in prone & supine position
- Sensitivity 83-100% in lesions >1 cm & Specificity 90%



## MRI ABDOMEN AND PELVIS :

- Phased array pelvic coils is of great use in rectal & meso rectal lesions.
- Contrast (super magnetic iron oxide) enhanced MRI is extremely sensitive to detect liver metastases. Main value in pregnancy, fistula & abscesses

## **NUCLEAR IMAGING**

- Indium 111, Iodine 131 & Technetium 99 labeled WBC, RBC or monoclonal antibodies are used
- In<sup>111</sup> labeled TAG72 antibody is used with greater sensitivity than CT for pelvic tumors & extra hepatic sites
- RIGS (Radio Immuno Guided Surgery) for intra op localization of tumor by gamma camera

## **ENDO -RECTAL ULTRA SOUND**

- Most commonly used investigation for pre op staging of rectal tumors.
- Best mode for local tumor staging. Very useful in tumor recurrences.
- Staples do not interfere with ERUS
- Five layer appearance on US
  - Inner white line – balloon mucosa interface
  - Inner black line – mucosa & muscularis mucosa
  - Middle white line – sub-mucosa
  - Outer black line – muscularis propria
  - Outer white line – interface with the peri- rectal fat

## SCREENING - AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY GUIDELINES

- **TCE – total colonic examination**
  - **Colonoscopy**
  - **Sigmoidoscopy with DCBE**
- **F O B T- Faecal Occult Blood Test**
- **FS – Flexible Sigmoidoscopy**

### SURVEILLANCE

- **History**
- **Physical examination**
- **CBC, LFT & LDH**
  - **ALL THESE EVERY 3 MONTHS FOR 3 YEARS THEN 6 MONTHS FOR A FURTHER 2 YEARS**
- **Endoscopy +/- CEA +/- CT (High risk patients 6 months after surgery)**
  - **Colonoscopy annually for 2-3 years then every 2-3 years thereafter**
  - **CEA – sensitivity 80-90% if rising & 60-66% specificity. EVERY MONTH FOR 3 YEARS THEN EVERY 3 MONTHS FOR A FURTHER 2 YEARS**
  - **Chest X Ray yearly**

## **BOWEL PREPARATION**

### **■ Aims**

- **Purging the faeces**
- **Reducing the concentration of colonic bacteria**

### **■ Process**

- **Diet**
- **Mechanical preparation**
- **Antibiotic administration**

### **■ Diet of clear fluids for 3 days**

### **■ Mechanical cleansing agents**

#### – **PEGLEC**

■ 125 mmol Na, 80 mmol sulphate, 35 mmol Cl, 80 mmol PEG

■ Dissolved in 2-4 L of water & ingested within 3 hours

■ Cramping, nausea, vomiting

■ Preferred in patients with ascites, CCF, CRF, cirrhosis

#### – **Sodium phosphate (Fleet's Phospho soda)**

■ Small volume 45 ml taken twice

■ Higher patient compliance

■ More chance of electrolyte abnormalities

### **Antibiotics, :**

as elective colorectal cases are of clean contaminated type

Pre op antibiotics parenterally 30 minutes before surgery & repeated every 4 hours if surgery is prolonged. Further post op doses are not beneficial & maybe harmful by promoting *Cl.difficile* colitis, *Candida* infection and resistance. Usually second generation cephalosporins with quinolones and metronidazole are used parenterally

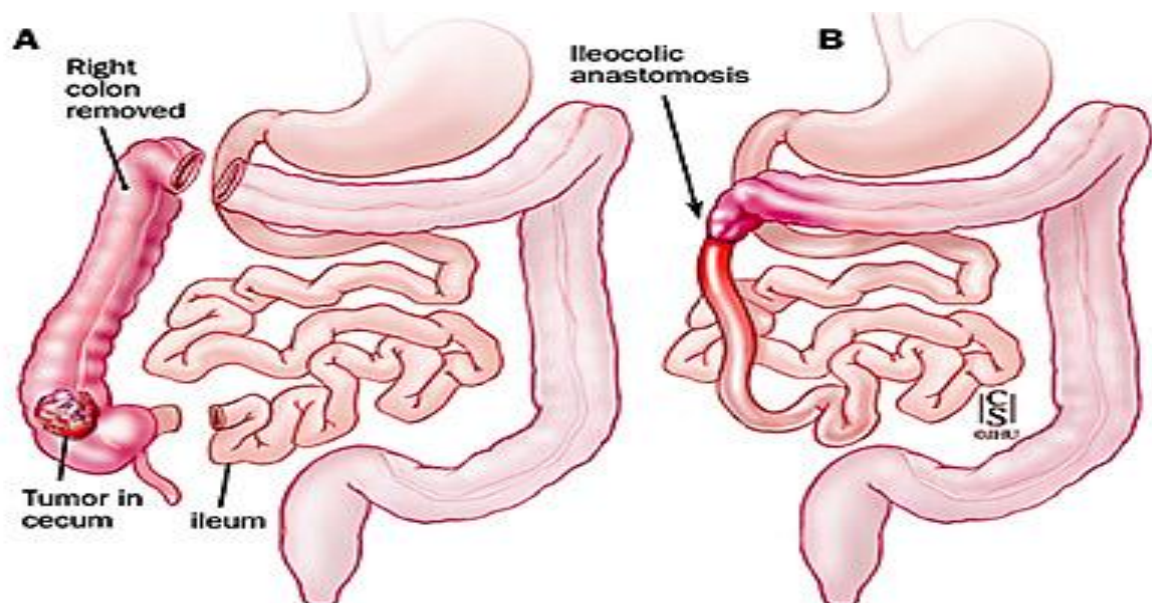
Oral antibiotics erythromycin base 1g and neomycin 1g three doses on the day prior to surgery may also be used

## **PRINCIPLES OF SURGERY**

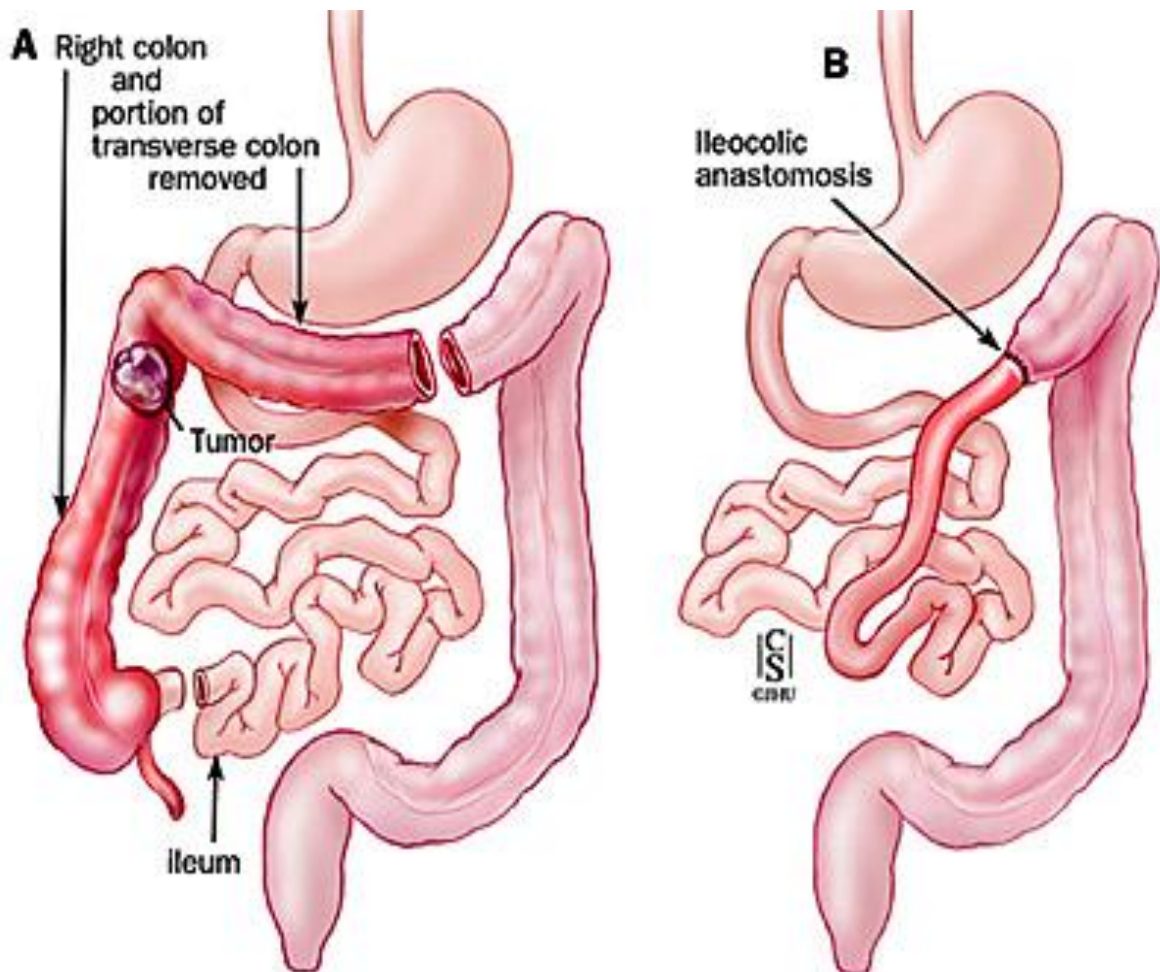
- **Minimal handling of primary**
- **Early proximal ligation of mesenteric vasculature**
- **Proximal and distal luminal occlusion**
- **Application of topical tumoricidal agents**
- **High vascular ligation**
- **Total mesorectal excision**
- **Extended pelvic lymphadenectomy**
- **En bloc resection of any adherent/ invaded tissues**

## MANAGEMENT OF COLO – RECTAL CANCERS :

For tumors of Right Colon including Caecum, Ascending Colon, Hepatic Flexure & Proximal HALF OF Transverse Colon–ileo colic, right colic & right branch of middle colic artery are divided and resection of distal 10 cm of ileum, caecum, ascending colon & proximal 1/3 of transverse colon carried out. This is **STANDARD RIGHT HEMICOLECTOMY**.



If the main branch of the MCA divided close to the superior mesenteric vessels – it will increase the length of resection of the transverse colon leaving only its distal third available for anastomosis. This is **Extended Right HEMICOLECTOMY**.

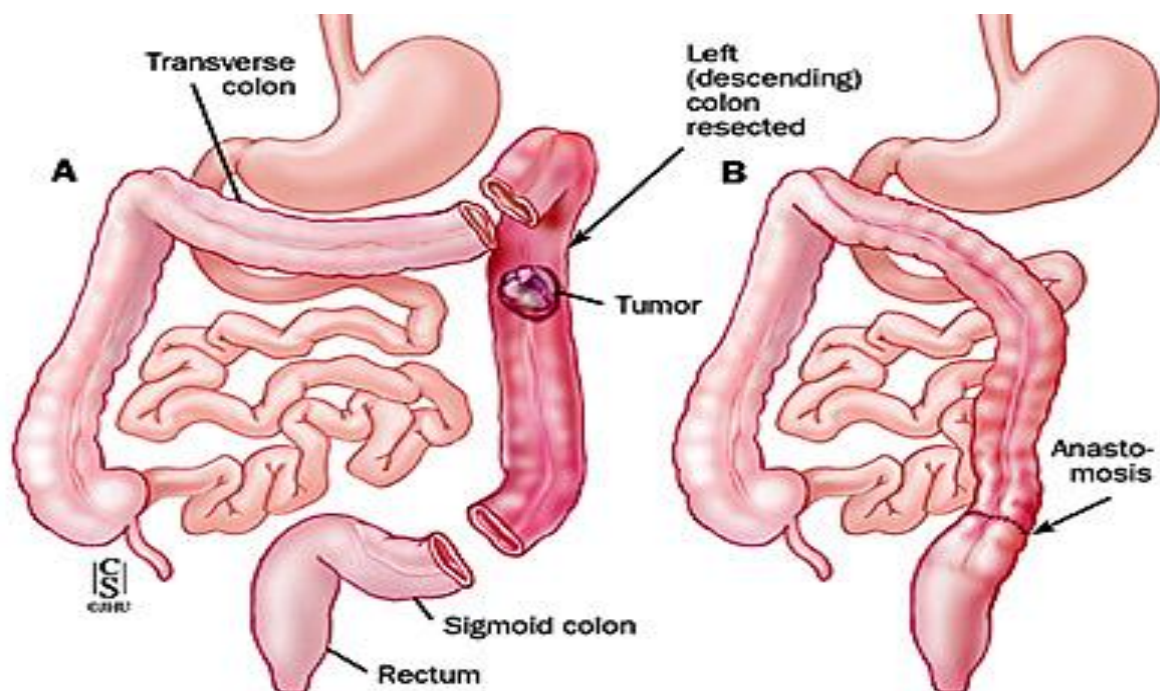


**It improves overall 5 yr survival from 55% to 67%.**

## LEFT HEMICOLECTOMY

- Includes the DISTAL ½ OF TRANSVERSE COLON, SPLENIC FLEXURE, DESCENDING & SIGMOID colon- divide the inferior mesenteric artery as close to the aorta as possible so that the proximal colon is anastomosed to the rectum. This is

## LEFT HEMICOLECTOMY.



**It relies on an intact marginal art with perfusion of the Left colon based on the Middle Colic Artery.**



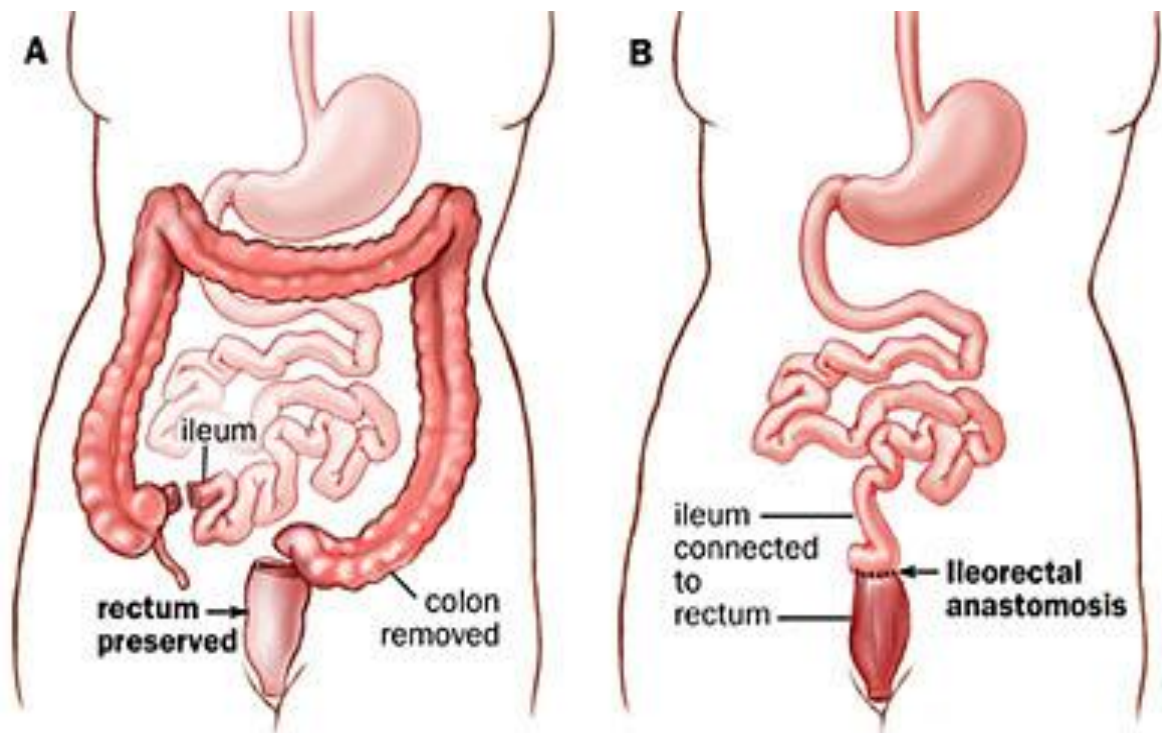
For SIGMOID COLON tumors – divide sigmoid branches of Inferior Mesenteric Artery so that the descending colon anastomosed to upper rectum. Removal of colon between the partially retroperitoneal descending colon and rectum

Proximal descending colon to distal sigmoid/rectum

Proximal sigmoid avoided due to

-reduced vascularity from IMA

- higher incidence of diverticular disease



## CARCINOMA COLON WITH OBSTRUCTION :

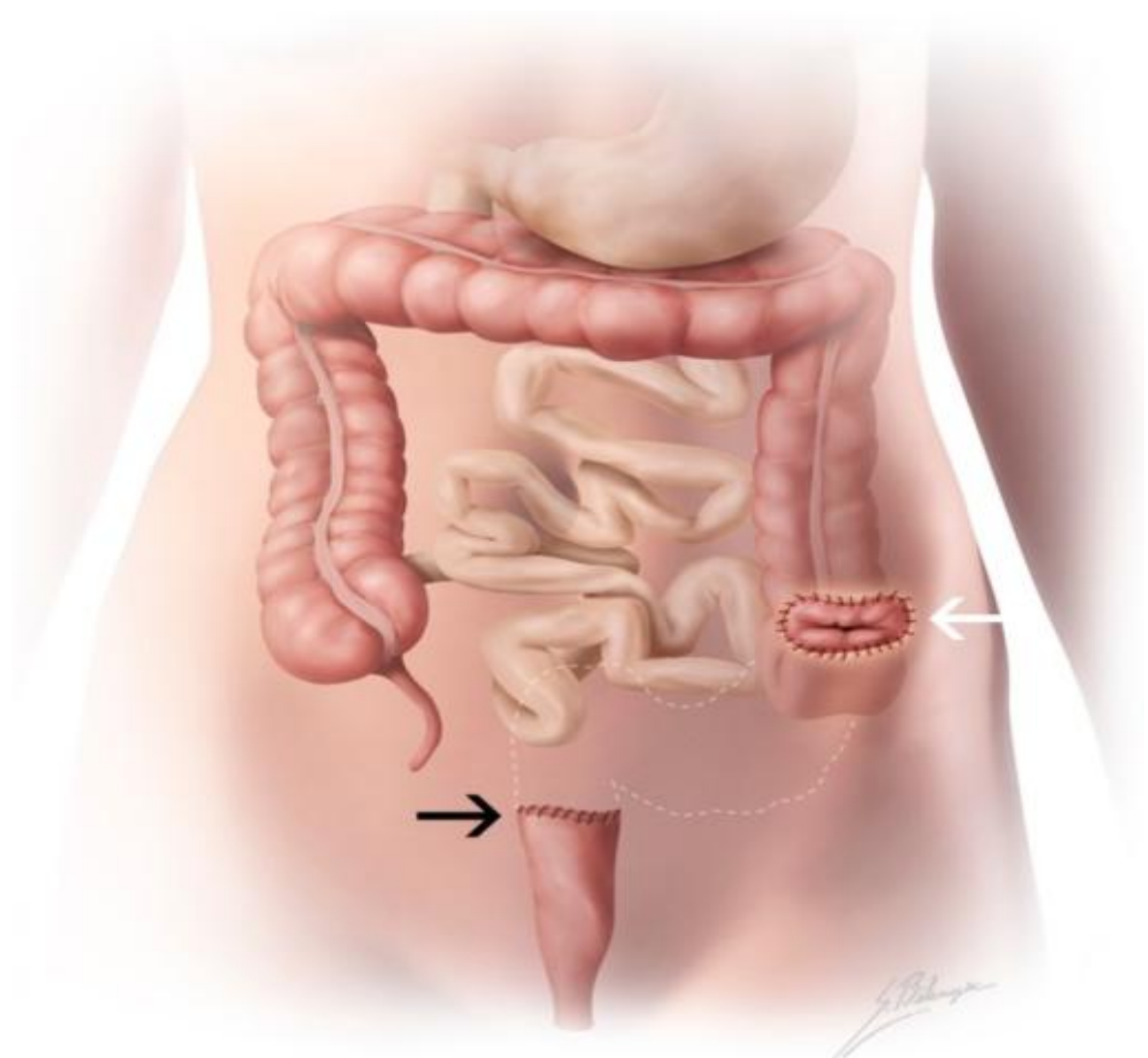
### Proximal colon

Right colectomy with ileo-transverse anastomosis

### Distal colon

-Hartmann's operation

-for fear of anastamotic site leak & unprepared bowel



## **ALTERNATIVES TO HARTMAN'S PROCEDURE**

Resect the distal colon tumor -> irrigate proximal colon with catheter  
in appendix/ ileum -> colo-rectal anastomosis

Subtotal colectomy and ileo-sigmoid anastomosis

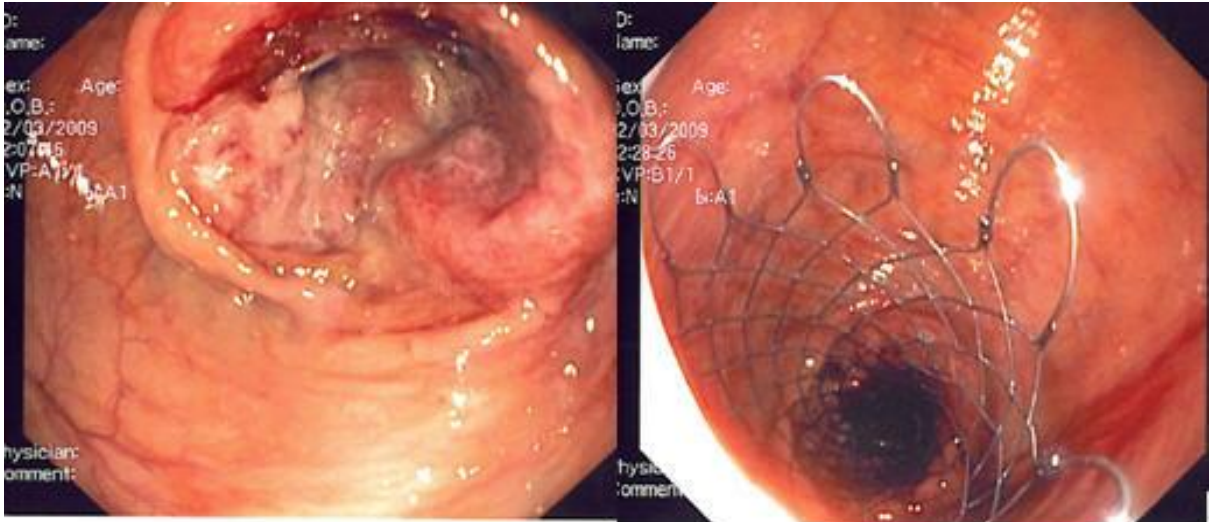
Advantage : avoid colostomy , avoid the need for R/o synchronous lesions

- in sigmoid cancer with obstruction

Disadvantage : - Diarrhoea

## **ENDOSCOPIC METHODS IN OBSTRUCTION**

- Placement of stent SEMS
- Colonoscopy & guide wire that traverse the obstruction used
- Expansion -> lumen creation -> relieve obstruction -> bowel preparation -> elective resection & anastomosis



## **OBSTRUCTING COLO - RECTAL CANCERS**

- Intestinal obstruction- MC emergency presentation of colorectal cancer.
- Poor prognosis associated with this presentation with only 31% survival at 5 yrs.
- Operative mortality- 28%

## **OPERATIVE PROCEDURES**

1. 3 stage operation : Diverting colostomy - resection- colostomy closure

2. Hartmann's procedure

3. Sub total colectomy with ileo rectal anastomosis.

Extended Right colectomy without colonic decompression

Intra operative colonic lavage & segmental resection

4.Radical Right hemicolectomy with primary anastomosis.

## **PERFORATING COLO – RECTAL CANCERS**

- Occur in 2 – 8% of all colorectal cancers.
- Perforation at cancer site 65 – 82% (or) proximally in 18 – 35%
- 1/3 will have metastatic disease, some present with fistula.

Treatment – Resection *en bloc* with tumor

- Peritoneal seeding with carcinomatosis in 17 – 18 % in perforated colorectal ca.

# METHODOLOGY

## **SOURCE OF DATA :**

Data was collected from the patients who got admitted in The Government Rajaji Hospital , Madurai from June 2012 to June 2014, with acute intestinal obstruction perforative peritonitis .

The clinical study of obstructive and perforative colo-rectal carcinomas was conducted by selecting 30 patients , who got admitted in Government Rajaji Hospital , Madurai with Complicated Colo-Rectal Cancer presenting as acute intestinal obstruction and perforative peritonitis from June 2012 to June 2014 .

The institution where the study was conducted was well equipped to carry out all necessary investigations which helped in diagnosing and treating the cases .

## **INCLUSION CRITERIA :**

1. Patients admitted with Acute Intestinal Obstruction or Perforative Peritonitis , and who also underwent surgery for the same problem and diagnosed as a case of Complicated Colo –Rectal Cancer were included in this study .

## **EXCLUSION CRITERIA :**

- Patients without surgical management
- Familial polyposis
- Surgery done at an outside hospital
- Ulcerative colitis ,Crohn's disease
- Patients with uncertain clinical diagnosis or insufficient clinical data .

## **MODE OF SELECTION :**

This study included all the patients admitted in general Surgery Wards of Government Rajaji Hospital ,Madurai from June 2012 to June 2014 with acute intestinal obstruction and perforative peritonitis and also underwent surgical procedure for the same problem and were diagnosed to be cases of Complicated Colo – Rectal Cancer.

Information regarding age , sex , residence , significant Illness , physiologic status , risk factors , indications of surgery , tumour location , type of operation and tumour stage was recorded .All the data collected were retrospectively reviewed .



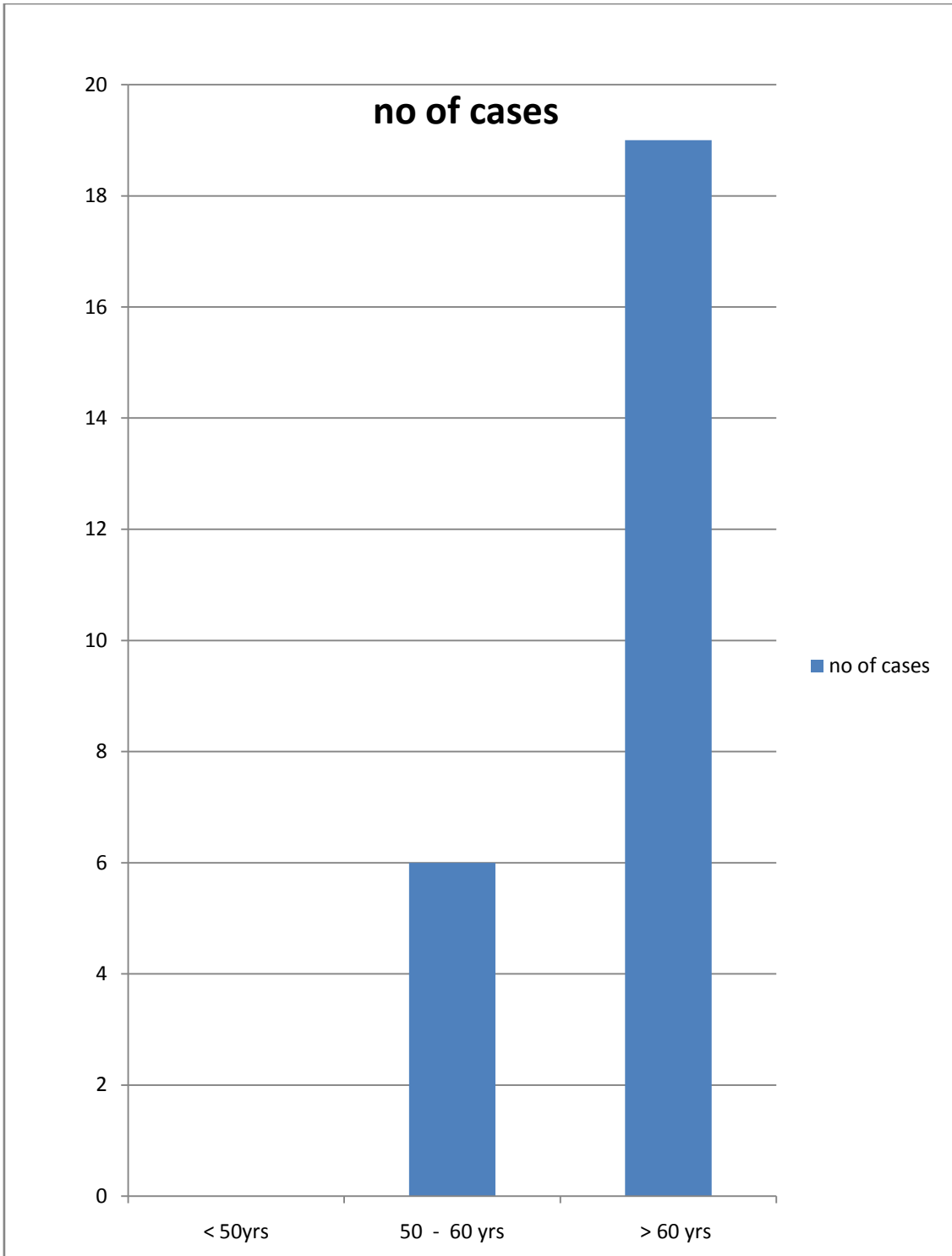
# RESULTS

## AGE DISTRIBUTION

**TABLE 1 :**

In this study of 30 patients ,80 % (24 patients ) of them were found to be in the age group of more than 60 years .20 % patients (6 patients )were found to be between 50 – 60 years of age , indicating that colo –rectal carcinoma with complications is more common in elder individuals.

AGE IN YEARS	NO OF PATIENTS	PERCENTAGE
< 50 YEARS	—	—
50- 60 YEARS	6	20 %
> 60 YEARS	24	80 %

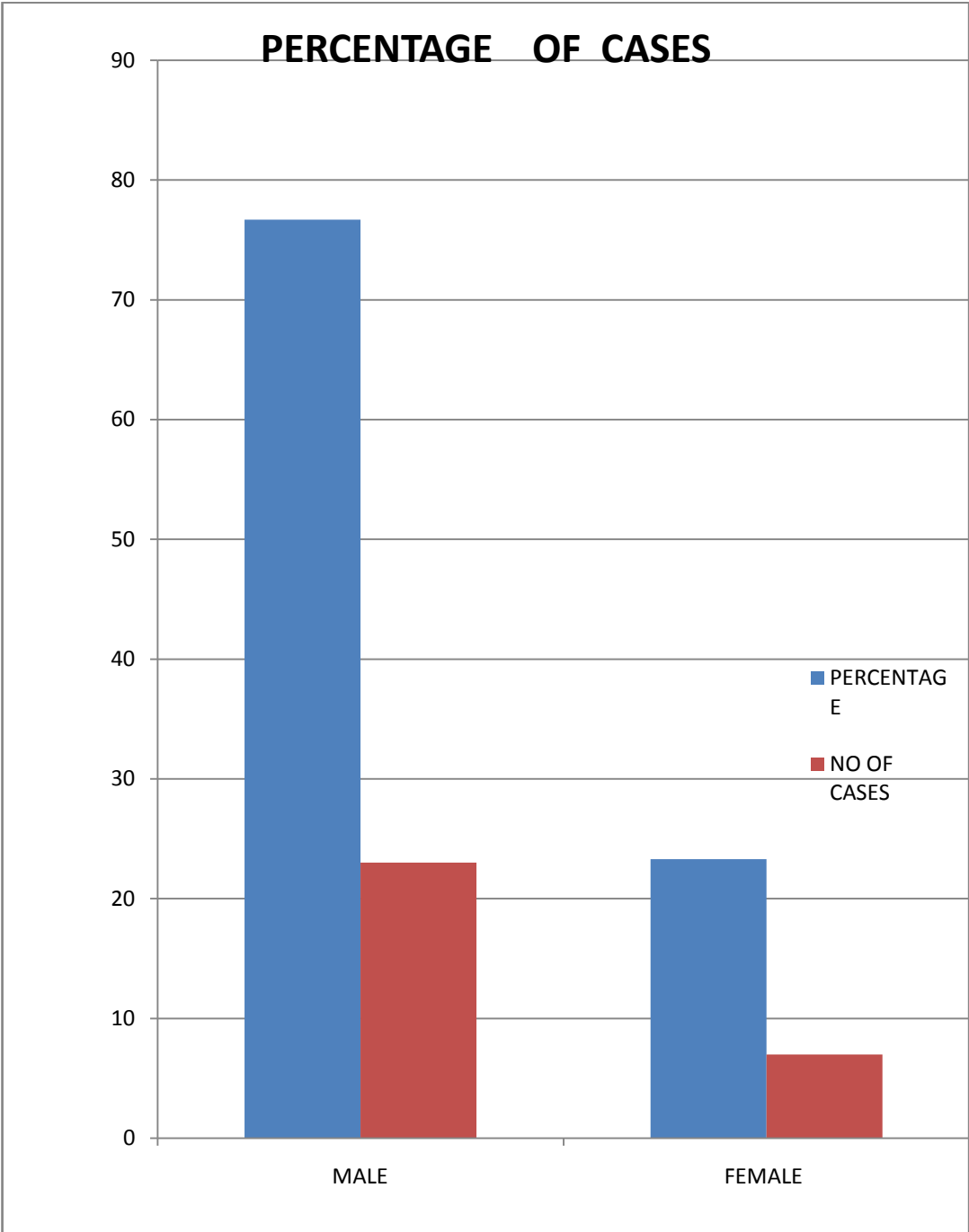


### AGE DISTRIBUTION

**TABLE 2: SEX INCIDENCE**

**In this study of 30 patients ,76.7 % (23patients ) of them were found to be males .23.3 % patients (7 patients )were found to be females , indicating that colo –rectal carcinoma with complications is more common in males .**

SEX	NO OF CASES	PERCENTAGE
MALE	23	76.7 %
FEMALE	7	23.3 %

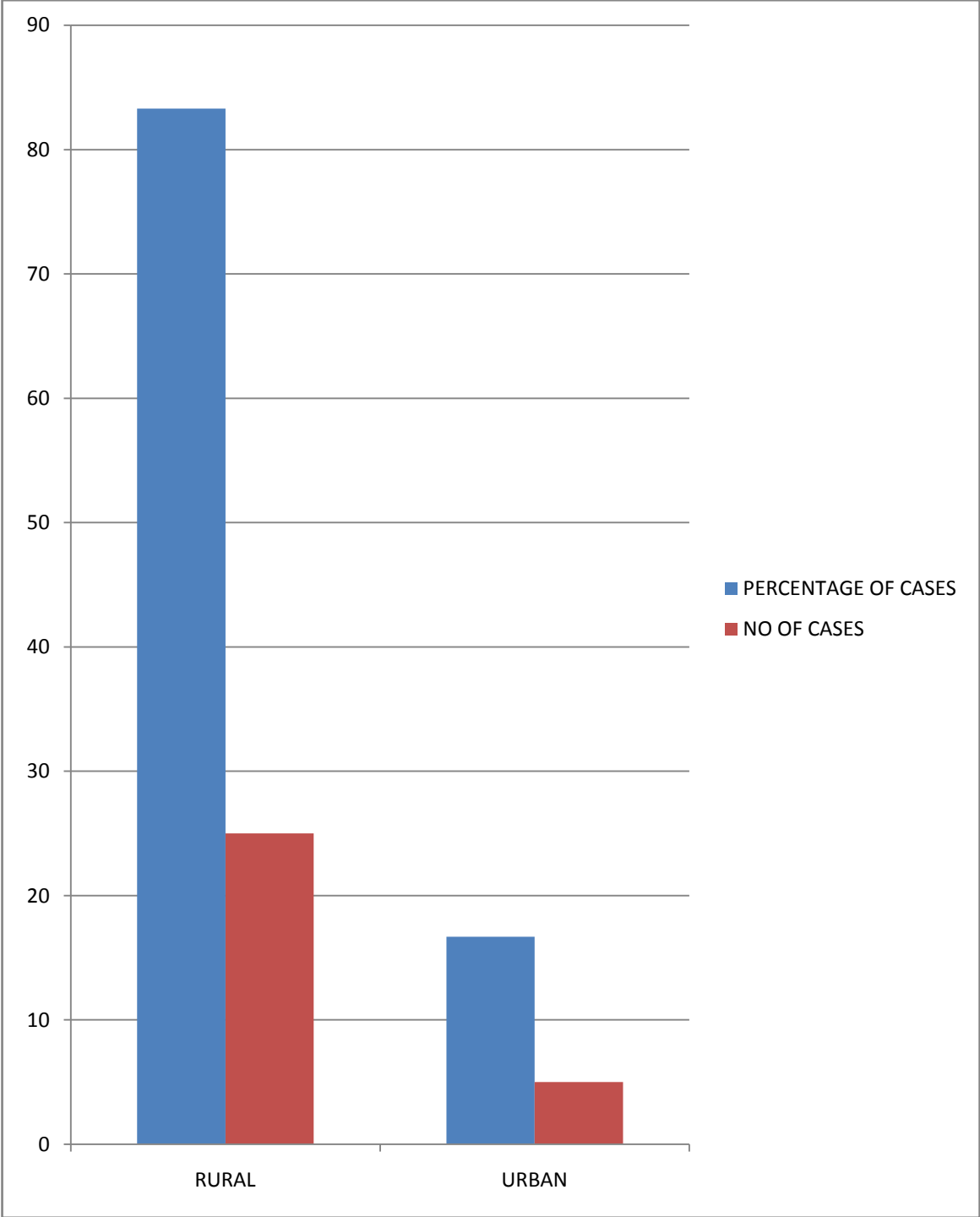


**SEX INCIDENCE**

**TABLE NO :3 RESIDENCE**

**In this study of 30 patients , 83.3 % (25 patients ) of them were found to be from rural areas .16.7 % patients (5 patients )were found from urban areas , indicating that colo –rectal carcinoma with complications is more common in people residing in rural areas .**

LOCATION	NO OF CASES	PERCENTAGE
RURAL AREA	25	83.3
URBAN AREA	5	16.7



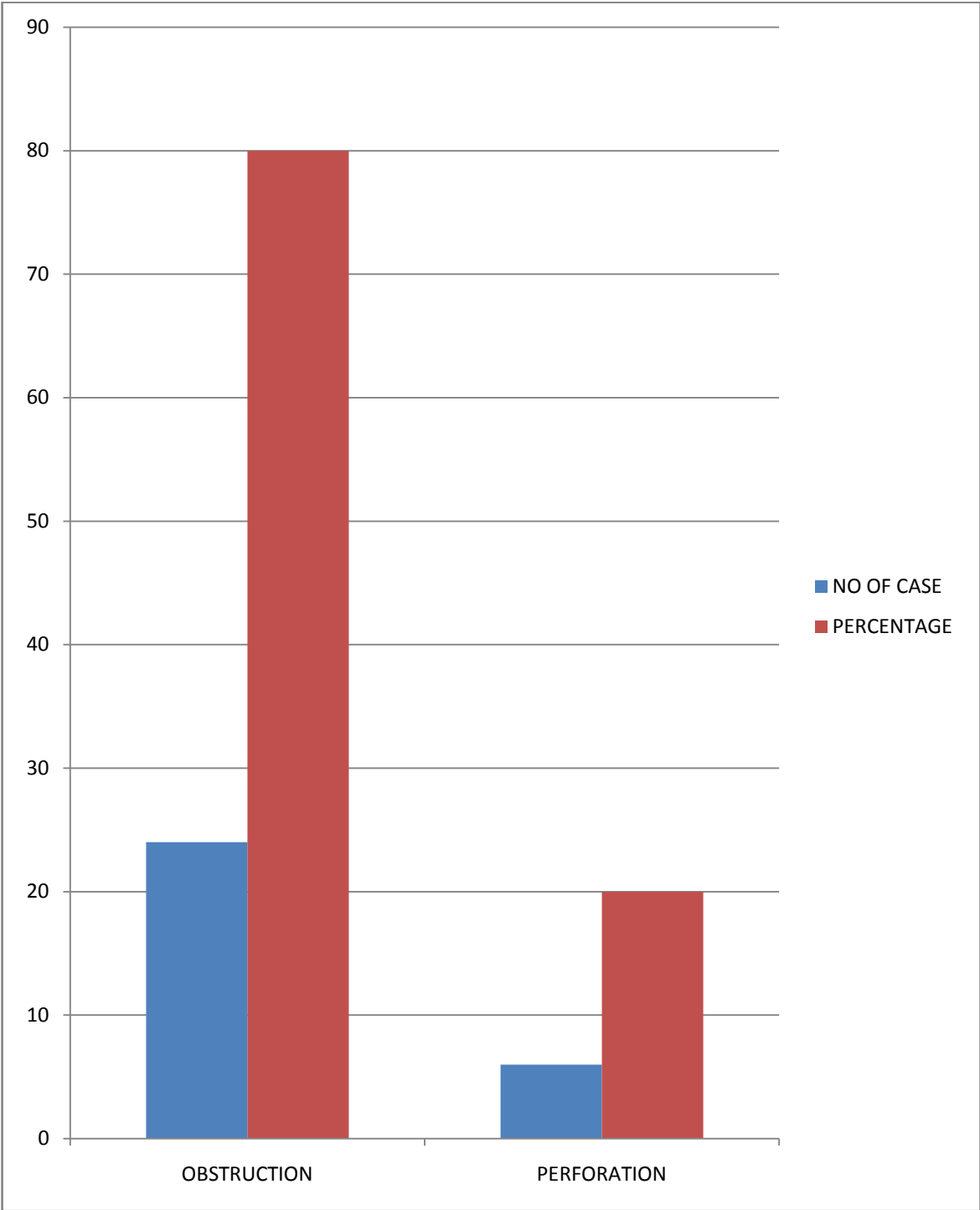
**RESIDENCE**

**TABLE 4 : MODE OF PRESENTATION**

**In this study of 30 patients ,80 % (24 patients ) of them were found to present with acute intestinal obstruction . 20 % patients (6 patients )were found to present with perforative peritonitis .**

PRESENTATION	NO OF CASES	PERCENTAGE
ACUTE INTESTINAL OBSTRUCTION	24	80
PERFORATIVE PERITONITIS	6	20





**MODE OF PRESENTATION**

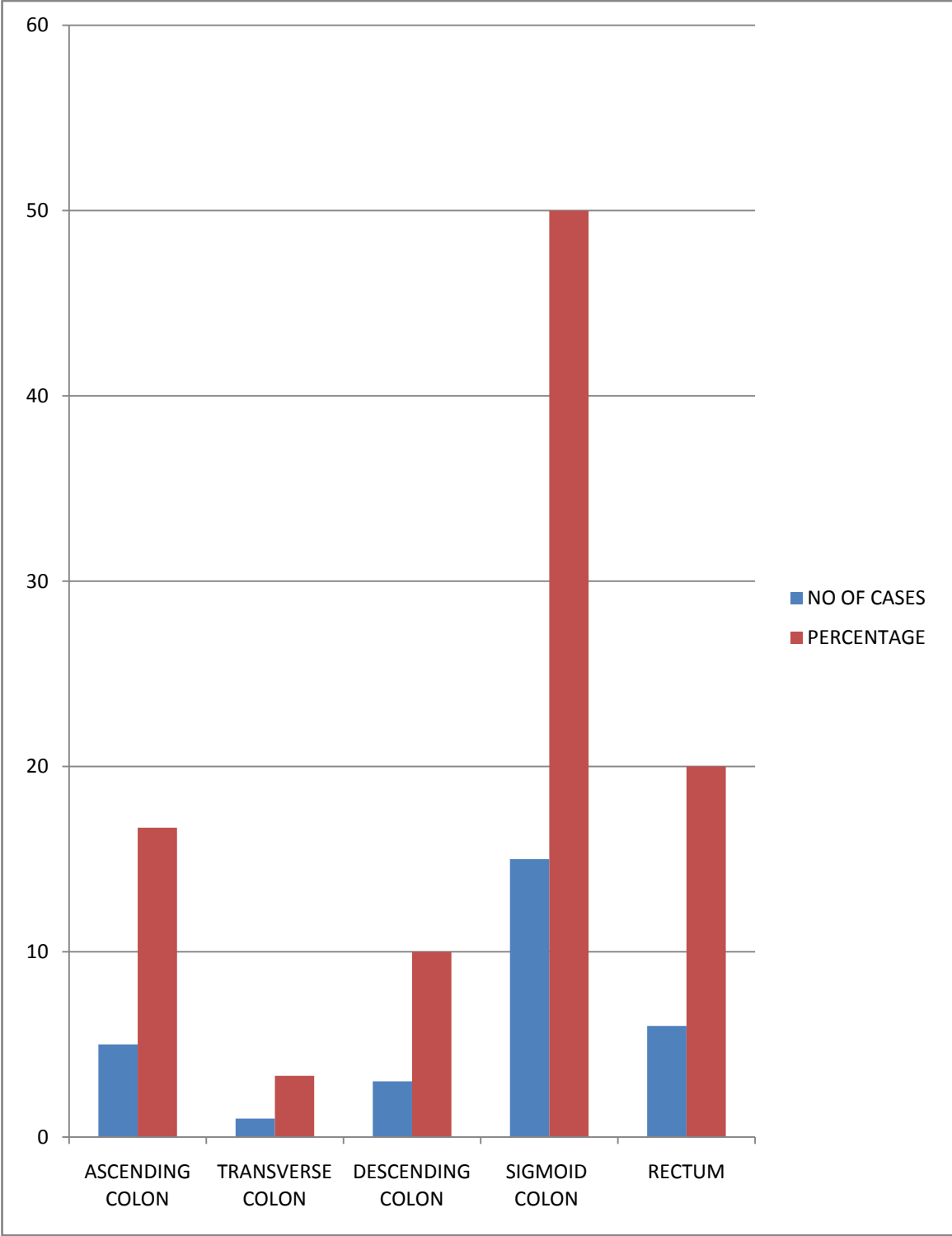
### TABLE 5 : LOCATION OF TUMOUR

In this study of 30 patients , 50 % (15 patients ) had tumour in sigmoid colon .20 % patients (6 patients ) had tumour in rectum .

16.7 % patients had tumour in ascending colon .10 % patients had

Tumour in descending colon , 3.3 % patients had tumour in transverse colon . Sigmoid colon was found to be the most common site of both obstruction and perforation .

SITE	NO OF CASES	PERCENTAGE
ASCENDING COLON	5	16.7
TRANSVERSE COLON	1	3.3
DESCENDING COLON	3	10
SIGMOID COLON	15	50
RECTUM	6	20

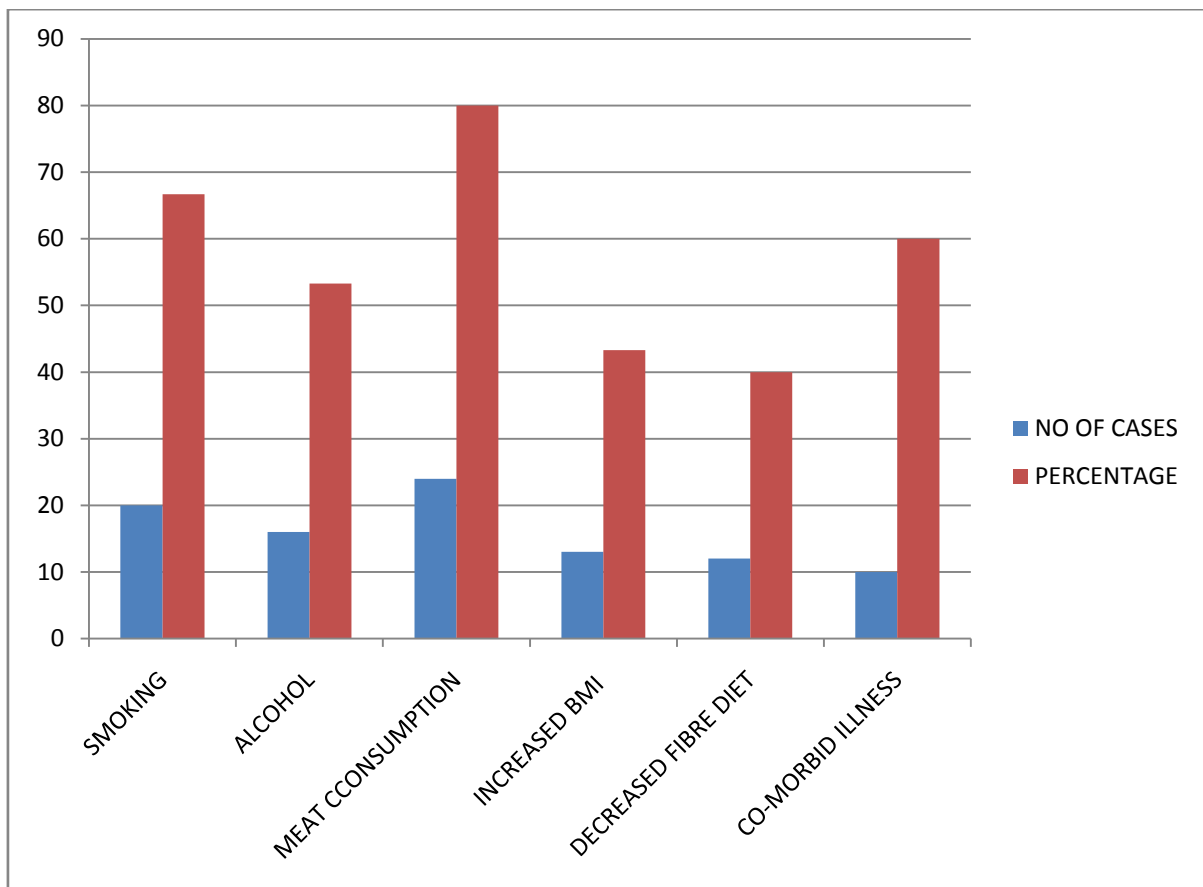


**LOCATION OF TUMOUR**

**TABLE 6 : RISK FACTORS**

RISK FACTORS	NO OF CASES	PERCENTAGE
SMOKING	20 /30	66.7
ALCOHOL	16/30	53.3
MEAT CONSUMPTION	24/30	80
INCREASED BMI	13/30	43.3
DECREASED FIBRE DIET	12 / 30	40
CO- MORBID CONDITIONS(DM/HTN/TB /COPD) etc	10/30	33.3

In this study of 30 patients, 40% patients had decreased intake of dietary fibre, 80% patients had meat consumption as a risk factor, 33.3% patients had co-morbid illness, 66.7% patients had smoking as a risk factor, increased BMI was noted in 43.3% patients and 53.3% had alcohol consumption as a risk factor. Smoking and alcohol intake was found to be commonly associated with the incidence of colo-rectal cancers.



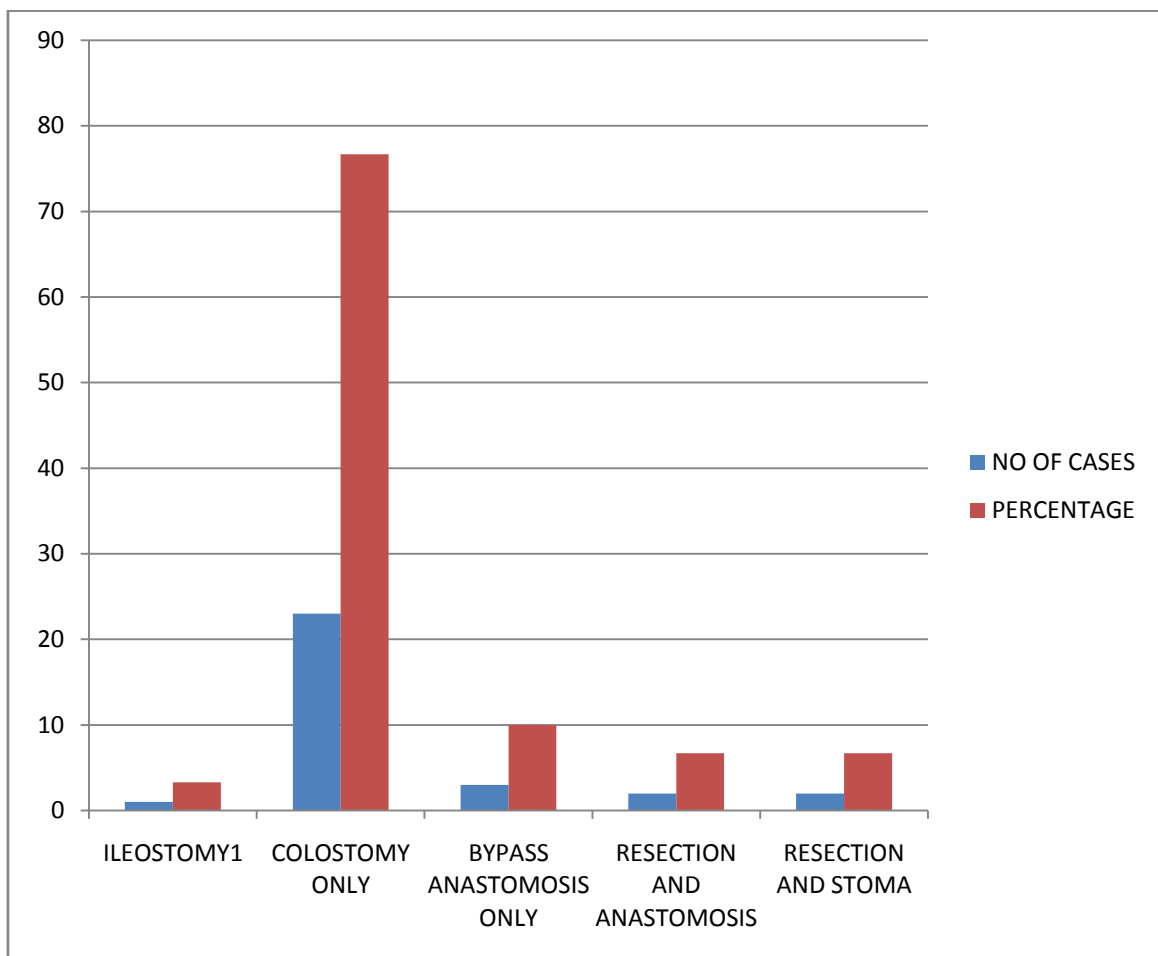
### RISK FACTORS

**TABLE 7 : PROCEDURE DONE**

PROCEDURE DONE	NO OF CASES	PERCENTAGE
ILEOSTOMY ONLY	1	3.3
COLOSTOMY ONLY	23	76.7
BYPASS ANASTOMOSIS ONLY	3	10
RESECTION + ANASTOMOSIS	2	6.7
RESECTION + STOMA	2	6.7

In this study of 30 patients ,in 76.7 % (23 patients) presented as obstruction or perforation , colostomy was the procedure performed .

Anastomosis was done in 10 % ( 3 patients ) presented as acute intestinal obstruction .Resection and anastomosis was done in 6.7 % ( 2 patients ) and resection + stoma was done in 6.7 % ( 2 patients) respectively.Colostomy was found to be the most commonly performed procedure .Ileostomy was done for a case of caecal perforation.



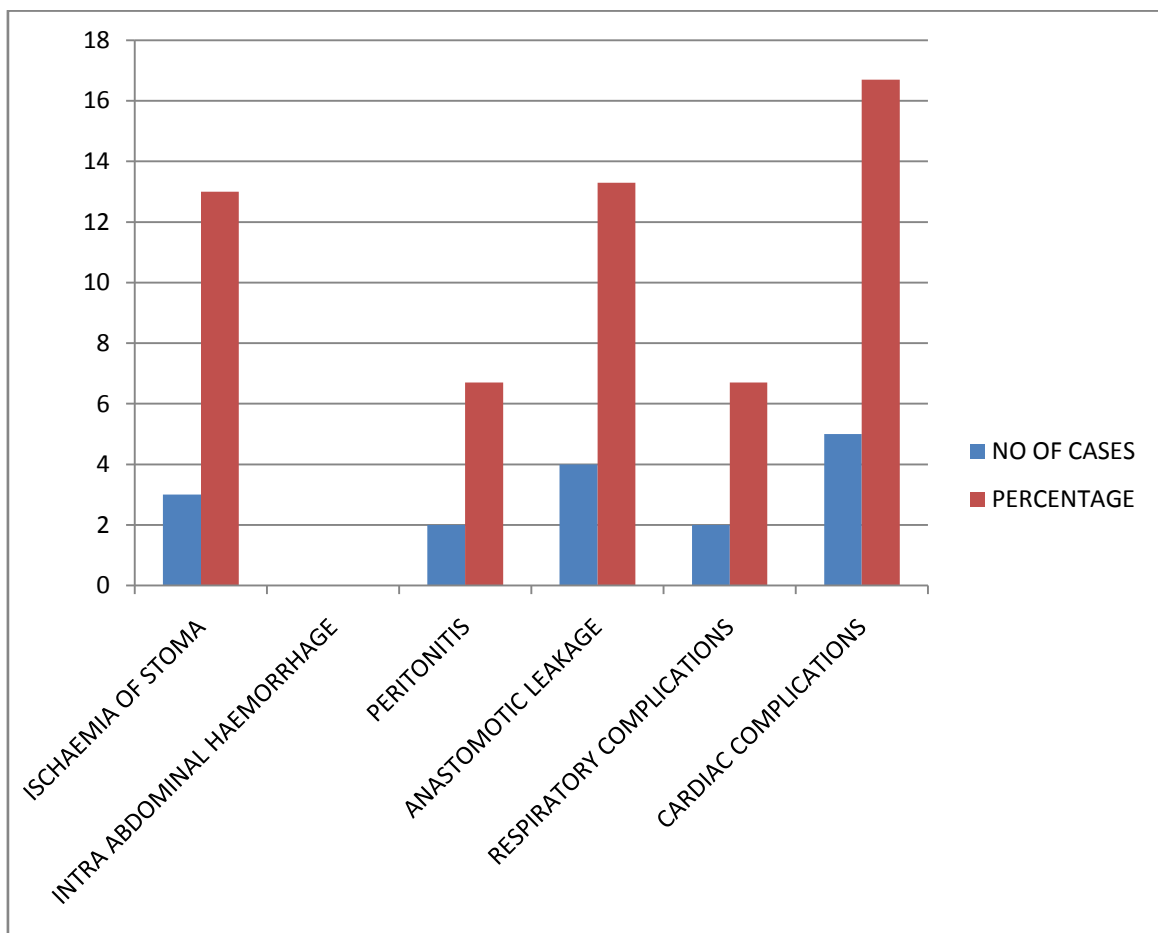
### PROCEDURE DONE

**TABLE 8 : POST –OPERATIVE COMPLICATIONS**

COMPLICATIONS	NO OF CASES	PERCENTAGE
ISCHAEMIA OF STOMA	3	13
INTRA-ABDOMINAL HEMORRHAGE	0	0
PERITONITIS	2	6.7
PROLONGED ILEUS	4	13.3
ANASTOMOTIC LEAKAGE	2	6.7
RESPIRATORY COMPLICATIONS	6	20
CARDIAC COMPLICATIONS	5	16.7
RENAL FAILURE	10	33.3



In this study of 30 patients ,(33.3 % ) 10patients had renal failure as the major complication followed by respiratory complications (20 %)6 patients ,Cardiac complications (16.7 % )5 patients ,prolonged ileus was noted in ( 4 %) 4 patients ,ischaemia of stoma was noted in ( 13 % ) 3 patients, and ,anastomotic leakage was seen in (6.7 % ) 2 patients .6 patients died due to sepsis and renal failure .



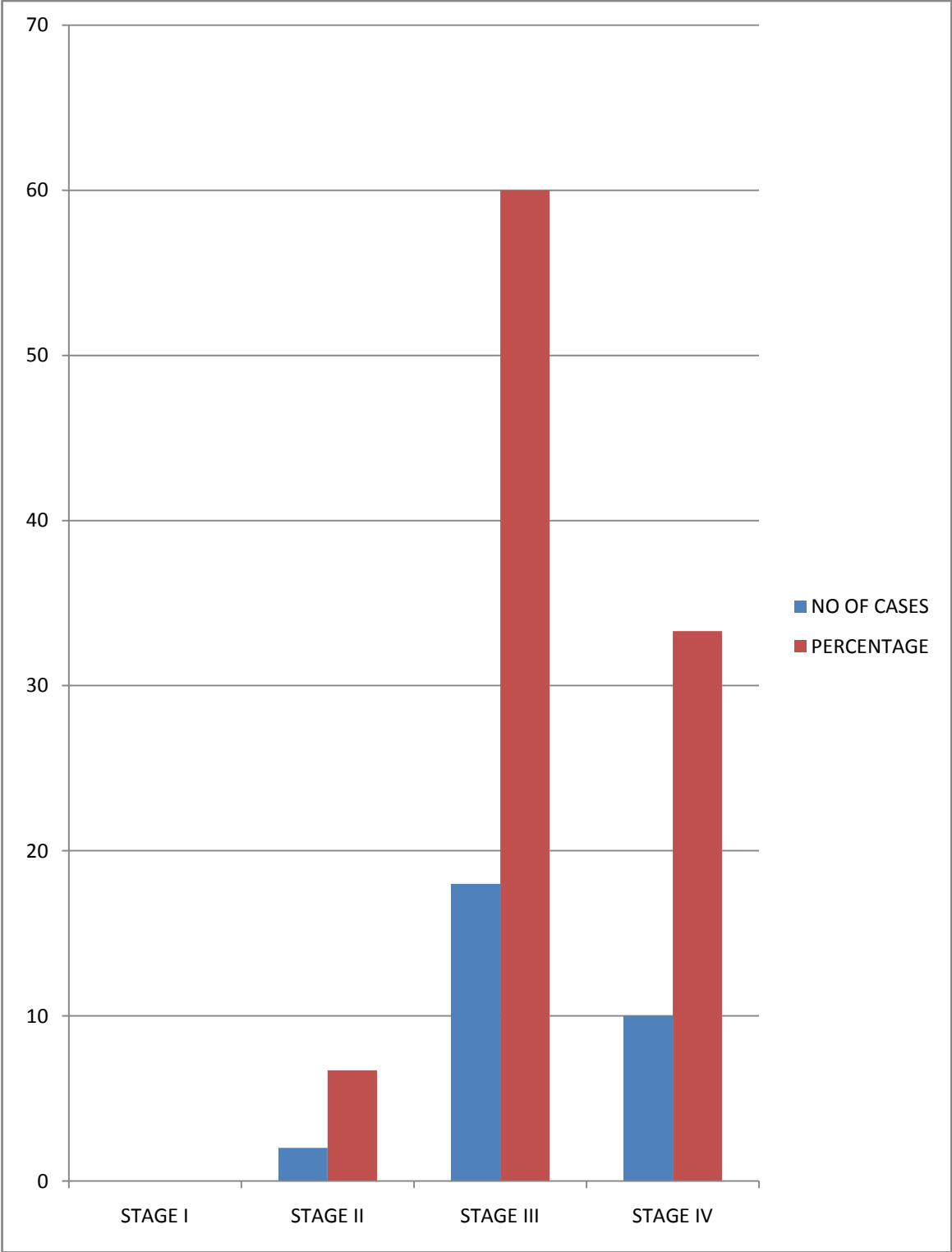
### POST - OPERATIVE COMPLICATIONS

**TABLE 9 :PATHOLOGICAL STAGING**

**In this study of 30 patients ,majority of patients were found to have advanced tumour stage III & STAGE IV (93.3 % ) -28 patients had advanced lesion. Remaining 6.7 % had stage II tumour .Patients with advanced tumour stage presented either as obstruction or perforation.**

**Obstruction was found to be more common in patients presenting with advanced tumours.**

<b>PATHOLOGIC STAGING</b>	<b>NO OF CASES</b>	<b>PERCENTAGE</b>
<b>STAGE I</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>STAGE II</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6.7</b>
<b>STAGE III</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>STAGE IV</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>33.3</b>



**TUMOUR STAGE**

# **DISCUSSION**

## DISCUSSION

30 cases of complicated colo – rectal carcinoma (presenting as acute intestinal obstruction and perforative peritonitis) have been studied.

Out of 30 patients , 23 patients were male and 7 patients were female . This is compared with the study of J.A.Alvarez.et al (2005).

SEX	ALVAREZ et al	PRESENT STUDY
MALE	65 %	76.7 %
FEMALE	42 %	33.3 %

The incidence of colo –rectal carcinoma is more in males .Colorectal carcinomas presenting as emergencies is also found to be more in males .

**AGE DISTRIBUTION :**

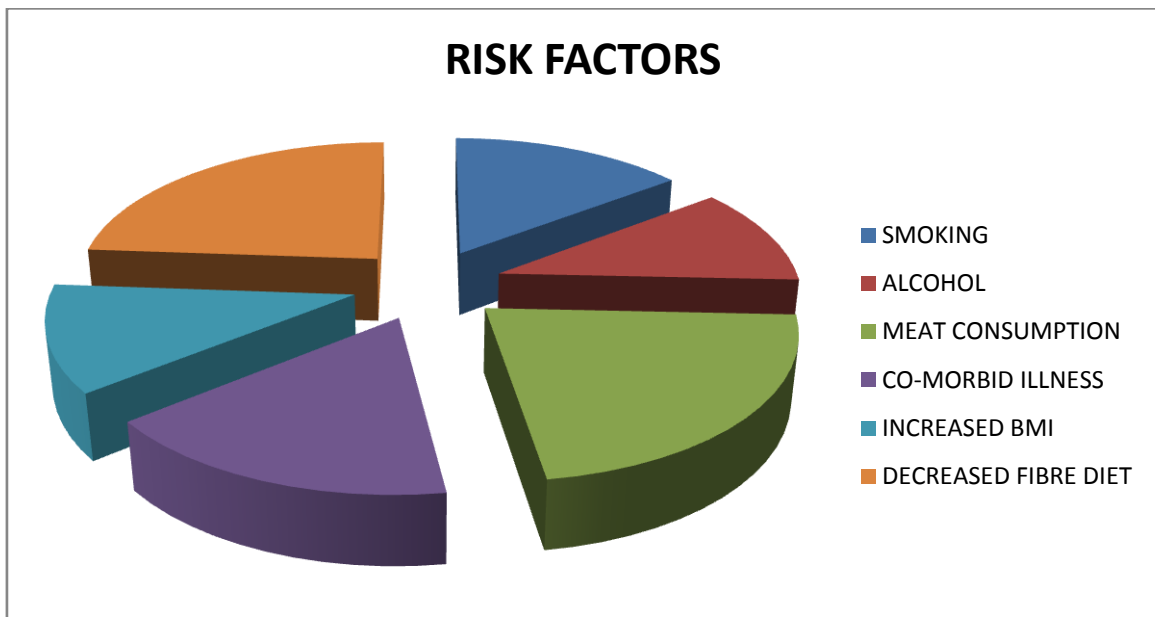
AGE IN YEARS	ALVAREZ et al	PRESENT STUDY
< 60 YRS	-	13.3 %
➤ > 60 YRS	70 %	86.7 %

Colo – rectal cancers presenting as obstruction or perforative peritonitis is found to be more in the elder age group (> 60 years).

86.7 % patients are found to be from this age group .

Older age has been found to have a significant influence on the outcome of patients with colo – rectal cancers .

## RISK FACTORS :



In this study of 30 patients, Smoking (66%), Alcohol intake ( 53.3 %),

Meat consumption(80 %) ,Decreased fibre diet (40%) was noted.

Meat consumption ,Smoking and alcohol were found to be the major risk factors for developing colon cancer.

Among co –morbid illness DM ,COPD and Cardiac problems were found to be more commonly associated .

### MODE OF PRESENTATION :

PRESENTATION	ALVAREZ et al	PRESENT STUDY
ACUTE INTESTINAL OBSTRUCTION	78 %	80 %
PERFORATIVE PERITONITIS	22 %	20 %

Most common mode of acute presentation of colo – rectal cancers were found to be Acute Intestinal Obstruction . Obstruction occurred in about 78% of patients , in this study of 30 patients .

Obstruction was also found to be more common in males .Left side colon tumours mostly presented as intestinal obstruction .



### TUMOUR LOCATION :

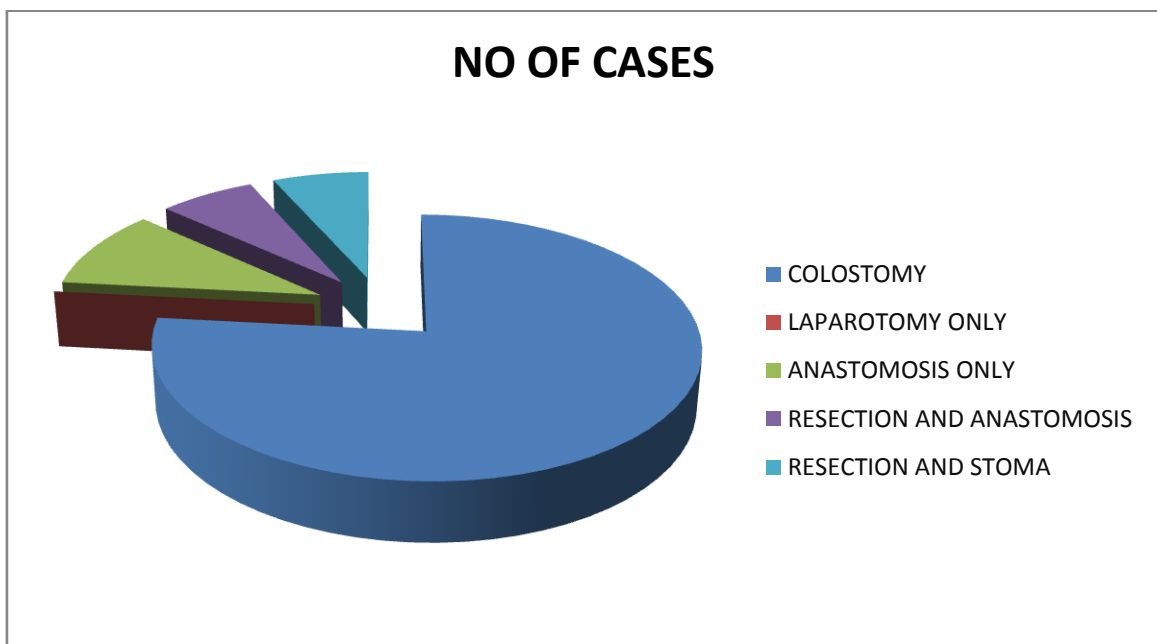
SITE OF TUMOUR	ALVAREZ et al	PRESENT STUDY
RIGHT COLON	25.2 %	20 %
LEFT COLON	74.8 %	80 %

In this study of 30 patients , most common site of tumours were found to be left colon . About 80 % of patients presented with left colon cancers.

In the left colon , Sigmoid colon was found to affected most commonly .Tumours in left colon commonly presented as obstruction.Perforation was also found to be more common in left colon.

Sigmoid colon was found to be the commonest site for perforation

## TYPE OF PROCEDURE DONE :



Colostomy was found to be the most commonly performed procedure. Most of the patients had an end colo stomy. Colostmoy was performed in about 76.7 % patients .Patients with perforative cancers ,had an end colo stomy.Patients with obstruction in right colon ,had resection and anastmosis or anastomosis.

A case a caecal perforation was managed by loop ileostomy.

**COMPLICATIONS AND OUTCOME :**

COMPLICATIONS	ALAVERZ et al	PRESENT STUDY
ISCHAEMIA OF STOMA	5.67 %	6.7 %
PERITONITIS/ INTRA ABDOMINAL ABSCESS	4.67 %	16.7 %
PROLONGED ILEUS	3.7 %	10 %
ANATOMOTIC LEAKAGE	1.8 %	10 %
RESPIRATORY COMPLICATIONS	11.2 %	53.3 %
CARDIAC COMPLICATIONS	2.8 %	10 %
RENAL FAILURE	9.3 %	46.7 %
DEATH	15 %	20 %

Post – operative complications occurred in 24 patients (80 % ) and major complications were noted in 13 patients (43.3 % ). Major complications were found to be renal , cardiac ,respiratory and gastro intestinal problems .Minor complications were found to be urinary tract infections , wound infections and wound dehiscence .10 patients developed wound infection ,5 patients developed urinary tract infections ,3 patients developed wound dehiscence .6 patients (20%) died , of whom 3 had perforation and 3 had obstruction .The mortality rates for obstructing lesions were found 10 % and for perforative lesions were found 10% .The causes for death were 1.) SEPSIS

2.)Renal failure 3.) Respiratory failure .All the deaths after surgery for perforated cancer were due to sepsis .Multi organ failure was the main cause of death in patients treated for obstruction and in patients with advanced disease with metastases .

Analysis revealed that older age , presence of perforation proximal to the cancer and poor physiological status had significant influence on the risk of major complications.

# SUMMARY

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COLORECTAL CARCINOMA occurs most commonly in males , when compared to females . COMPLICATED COLORECTAL CARCINOMA (CRC with obstruction and perforation ) is also found to be more common in males .

Meat consumption , smoking and alcohol were found to be major risk factors associated with incidence of colo – rectal cancers .

The incidence of obstruction and perforation in colorectal carcinoma is found to be more common in elder age group ( age > 60 years ).All the affected individuals are found to be mostly residing in rural areas .

The common mode of presentation of complicated colo rectal cancers is found to be acute intestinal obstruction ( 80 % ) .The most common site of location of the tumour is found to be sigmoid colon .

Perforation is also very common in the site proximal to the tumour in sigmoid colon .Obstruction and perforation were found to be more common in left side colonic cancers .Sigmoid colon was also found to be the most common site for perforation .

For colonic cancers presenting with obstructing and perforative peritonitis , Colostomy was found to be the most commonly performed procedure. .Due to Unprepared bowel and poor general condition of patient , resection and anastomosis was not commonly performed .For obstructive cancers mostly resection and primary anastomosis was performed.

Acute presentations of colo –rectal cancers were most commonly found in patients with advanced disease ( stage III & stage IV ).Co-morbid illness like Diabetes ,Hypertension ,COPD and Renal problems were found to have influence on the outcome of patients with colo –rectal cancers.

Most common major complications were found to be sepsis , multi organ failure and respiratory failure . Above given complications were major reasons for the mortality of the patients .

Among the patients who underwent surgery ,few minor complications occurred, among which more common was abdominal wound infections and wound dehiscence.

# CONCLUSION



- Complicated colo – rectal cancers presenting as acute obstruction or perforative peritonitis is most common in males. Perforative colo-rectal cancers are more common in females .

- Common age group affected is > 60 years of age .

- Most of the patients presenting as acute emergencies are from rural areas .

- Complicated colo –rectal cancers are most commonly associated with smoking ,alcohol intake , meat consumption .These factors are found to be present in patients presenting with advanced disease with complications.

- Complicated colo –rectal cancers most commonly present as acute intestinal obstruction.

- Left colon , more commonly sigmoid colon is found be affected in both obstructive and perforative colo – rectal cancers .

- Majority of the patients are found to have advanced tumour (STAGE III & STAGE IV)

-Colostomy is the most commonly performed procedure .

-Sepsis , renal and respiratory problems are the major complications responsible for morbidity and mortality.

# **ANNEXURES**

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## PROFORMA

CASE NUMBER:

ADDRESS:

NAME

AGE

SEX

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WARD

RELIGION:

OCCUPATION:

DOA:

DOS:

DOD:

### HISTORY

Chief Complaints

- Abdominal pain
- Nausea and vomiting
- Abdominal distension
- Passing blood in stool

- Altered bowel habits
- Loss of weight and loss of appetite
- Constipation
- Fever
- Not passing flatus

### **History of presenting illness**

#### **➤ Abdominal pain**

- Site
- Character
- Time of onset
- Duration
- Symptom free interval
- Radiation
- Aggravating factors
- Relieving factors
- Relation to food



## **Vomiting**

- Onset
- Frequency
- Projectile/Effortless
- Quantity
- Colour
- Contents
- Odour
- Relieving factors
- Relation to food

## **Past history**

### **Personal history**

- Diet
- Sleep
- Addictive habits

### **Menstrual and Obstetric history**

#### Menarche

- Amenorrhea
- Relation to pain

- EXAMINATION

General physical examination

- Pallor
- Icterus
- Cyanosis
- Vital signs:
- Pulse rate:
- Blood pressure

Abdominal examination

➤ **Inspection**

- Shape - Scaphoid / Distended
- Movement with respiration
- Dilated veins
- Scars/ Sinus
- Hernial orifices - Free / Full
- Umbilicus - Central / Displaced
- External genitalia

## **Palpation**

- Local rise of temperature
- Tenderness
- Rebound tenderness
- Rigidity
- Guarding
- Mass
  - Site
  - Shape
  - Plane - Intra / Extra peritoneal
  - Consistency - Soft / Firm / Hard
  - Borders
  - Pulsations
  - Size
  - Surface – Smooth/Nodular
  - Movement – Mobile/Fixed
  - Continuity with liver

## **Percussion**

- Liver span
- Note over mass - Resonant / Impaired / Dull
- Movement - Mobile / Fixed

➤ **Auscultation**

- Bowel sounds - Normal / Increased / Decreased / Absent
- Additional sounds - Present / Absent

➤ **Rectal Examination** : Normal / Abnormal

**Cardiovascular system** - Normal / Abnormal

**Respiratory system** - Normal / Abnormal

**Central nervous system** - Normal / Abnormal

## INVESTIGATIONS

- Haemoglobin:
- Total Count
- Bleeding time ,Clotting time :
- Blood Urea
- Serum creatinine
- Blood Sugar (Fasting/Random)
- Urine routine: Normal/ Abnormal
- Liver function tests
- ✓ Total bilirubin:

- ✓ SGOT:
- ✓ Total protein:
- ✓ Globulin:
- ✓ Alkaline phosphatase:
- Chest x-ray PA view :
- Plain x- ray Abdomen erect :
- Emergency Ultra sonogram :
- Indication for surgery :
- Tumor location :
- Tumor stage :
- Type of operation :
- Post operative HPE report :

## MASTER CHART

Name	Age	Sex	Residence	Risk Factors	Tumor location	Indication For surgery	Procedure done	Major complications	Minor complications
Karuppaih IP.NO.12396	70	M	rural	+	Sig. colon	Perforation	C	+++	++
Vellaiammal IP.NO.26119	63	F	rural	+	Sig. colon	Obstruction	C	+	+
Malaiswamy IP.NO: 28342	62	M	rural	+	Sig. colon	Obstruction	C	++	++
Chinnadurai IP.NO.33221	56	M	rural	-	Sig. colon	Obstruction	C	+	++
Devaraj IP.NO.35642	58	M	urban	+	Asc. colon	Obstruction	R+A	+	++
Backiyam IP.NO.38501	66	M	rural	+	Dec. Colon	Perforation	C	+++	+
Visikkiyammal IP.NO.22342	68	F	rural	-	Rectum	Obstruction	C	++	+++
Ambalam IP.NO.26543	65	M	rural	+	Trans. colon	Obstruction	I	++	++
Pandi IP.NO.22105	63	M	rural	+	Sig. colon	Obstruction	C	+	++
Gunasekaran IP.NO.24471	57	M	urban	+	Sig. colon	Obstruction	C	++	+
Pachaimuthu IP.NO.45212	65	M	rural	+	Asc. colon	Obstruction	IT	+++	++
Chitravel IP.NO.41941	67	M	rural	+	Sig. colon	Perforation	C	+++	++
Malarkkannan IP.NO.40837	58	M	urban	-	Sig. colon	Obstruction	C	++	+
Ramaswamy IP.NO.32371	63	M	rural	+	Sig. colon	Obstruction	C	+	+

Mookammal IP.NO.54270	62	F	rural	-	Rec	Obstruction	C	+++	++
Sudalaiyandi IP.NO.53412	68	M	rural	+	Sig. colon	Obstruction	R+S	+++	+++
Arumugam IP.NO.52208	61	M	rural	+	Rec	Perforation	C	+++	+++
Pappa IP.NO.51126	65	F	rural	-	Sig. colon	Perforation	C	+++	+++
Veluswamy IP.NO.507	62	M	rural	+	Sig. colo	Obstruction	C	++	++
Muthuraman IP.NO.47305	64	M	rural	-	Asc. colon	Obstruction	IT	+++	++
Selvasigamani IP.NO.26671	66	M	urban	+	Sig. colon	Obstruction	R+S	++	++
Paraman IP.NO.29875	56	M	rural	+	Asc. colon	Obstruction	R+A	+++	+++
Podhum ponnu IP.NO.54822	64	F	rural	-	Sig. colon	Obstruction	C	+++	+
Mazhuvu IP.NO.57721	66	M	rural	+	Rec	Obstruction	C	++	++
Muthulakshmi IP.NO.60042	59	F	rural	-	Sig. colon	Obstruction	C	++	++
Rajendran IP.NO.62503	63	M	rural	+	Rec	Obstruction	C	+++	+
Vendhan IP.NO.32219	60	M	urban	+	Rec	Obstruction	C	+	++
Murugesan IP.NO.71811	67	M	rural	+	Sig. colon	Perforation	C	+++	++
Suthanthiram IP.NO.73128	60	F	rural	-	Asc. colon	Obstruction	IT	++	++

**KEY TO MASTER CHART :**

**Sig.colon - SIGMOID COLON**

**Asc .colon - ASCENDING COLON**

**Desc .colon – DESCENDING COLON**

**Rec - REECTUM**

**Tran.colon - TRANSVERSE COLON**

**C - COLOSTOMY**

**R + A - RESECTION + ANASTOMOSIS**

**I T - ILEO TRANSVERSE ANASTOMOSIS**

**R + S - RESECTION + STOMA**

**I - ILEOSTOMY**

**MAJOR COMPLICATIONS :**

**+ = SEPSIS**

**++ = SEPSIS + RENAL FAILURE**

**+++ = MORE THAN 2 MAJOR COMPLICATIONS**

**MINOR COMPLICATIONS :**

**+ = WOUND INFECTION**

**++ = WOUND DEHISCENCE**

**+++ = MORE THAN 2 MINOR COMPLICATIONS**



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## **ABBREVIATIONS :**

Antr - ANTERIOR

Postr – POSTERIOR

Lat - LATERAL

Med – MEDIAL

Tr .abdominis - TRANSVERSE ABDOMINIS

Asc. Colon - ASCENDING COLON

Tr. Colon - TRANSVERSE COLON

Sig .colon – SIGMOID COLON

Tr.mesocolon - TRANSVERSE MESOCOLON

SI - SMALL INTESTINE

SMA - SUPERIOR MESENTERIC ARTERY

IMA - INFERIOR MESENTERIC ARTERY

MCA – MIDDLE COLIC ARTERY

RCA - RIGHT COLIC ARTERY

LCA – LEFT COLIC ARTERY

Rt - RIGHT

Lt - LEFT

CRC - COLO RECTAL CANCER

CBC – COMPLETE BLOOD COUNT

CEA – CARCINO EMBRYOGENIC ANTIGEN

LFT - LIVER FUNCTION TEST

FS – FLEXIBLE SIGMOIDOSCOPY

LDH - LACTATE DEHYDROGENASE

TCE – TOTAL COLONIC EXAMINATION

DCBE – DOUBLE CONTRAST BARIUM ENEMA

ERUS – ENDO RECTAL ULTRA SOUND



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