Case report

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JEJUNO-JEJUNAL INTUSSUSCEPTION CAUSED BY SKIN MELANOMA METASTASES: A CASE REPORT

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Skin melanoma is a relatively rare malignant tumor with a raising incidence in last decades. Biological course is characterized by lymphatic and hematogenous spread, but metastases in intestine and mesenteric lymph nodes are frequent. These metastases can lead to acute intestinal occlusion as a sign of acute abdomen requiring surgical emergency.

Patient 68 year old, admitted with clinical and radiology signs of acute intestinal occlusion, underwent emergency surgery. The jejuno-jejunal intussusception was found and the lead point of intussusception was intramural melanoma metastasis 4cm in diameter. The small bowel resection length was 40cm. Postoperative course was without complications. Five years before, patient underwent surgery for melanoma of the skin of left scapular region.

Acute intestinal occlusion in patients operated from skin melanoma could seldom be caused by hematogenous intra-abdominal metastases of skin melanoma.

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