

Images in Hepatology

Inflammatory pseudotumor of the liver

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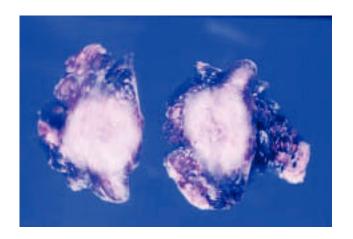


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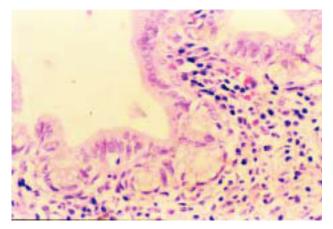


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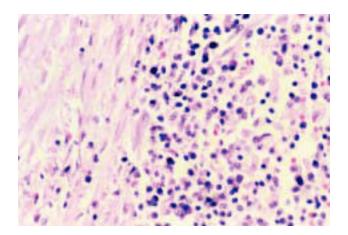


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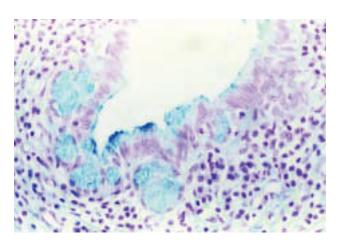


Figure 1D.

A 12-year old male was admitted to the hospital with fifteen days of fever and right upper abdominal pain during last two moths, and normal liver function tests. Computed tomographic showed a solitary hypoattenuating hepatic lesion into segment IV, which was resected. *Figure 1A* shows the resected specimen. A well-circumscribed, round, with yellow and white areas. *Figure 1B* shows chronic inflammatory infiltrates with foamy histiocytes, plasmacytes, and lymphocytes, and fibroblastic proliferation. *Figures 1C* and *1D* show chronic cholangitis and intestinal metaplasia.

Inflammatory pseudotumor of the liver is a benign hepatic lesion characterized by a large population of polyclonal plasma cells with a variable amount of fibrosis, foamy histiocytes, and other chronic inflammatory cells, and therefore are commonly misdiagnosed as malignant tumors or liver abscesses.

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