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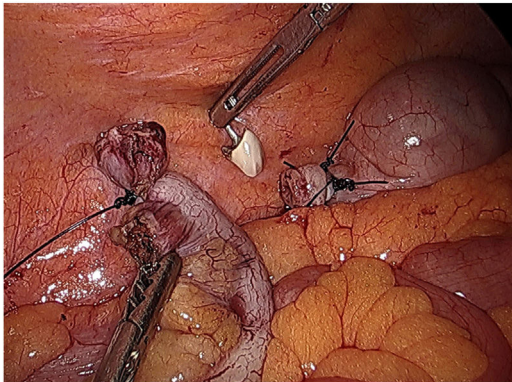
Appendicitis aguda por cuerpo extraño



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Acute foreign body appendicitis is an exceptional entity caused by obstruction of the appendiceal lumen by an object foreign to the digestive tract. We present the case of a 41-year-old man who underwent surgery for a diagnosis of acute appendicitis after consulting due to typical clinical symptoms of 48-h onset. Surgery revealed acute phlegmonous appendicitis and section of the appendiceal base revealed that the lumen of the appendix was occupied by a dental prosthesis. On further questioning, the patient reported the accidental ingestion of the implant four days before the onset of symptoms.

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