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**A rare case of fecal impaction caused by a fecalith originating in a large colonic diverticulum**

fecal impaction from colonic diverticulum

**Abstract****BACKGROUND**

Fecal impaction is defined as a large mass of compacted feces in the colon and has the potential to induce a serious medical condition in elderly individuals. Fecal impaction is generally preventable, and early recognition of the typical radiological findings is important for making an early diagnosis. The factors that lead to fecal impaction are usually similar to those causing constipation. Few cases with fecal impaction associated with a diverticulum have been reported.

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**Fecoliths** occur in **severe cases** of **stool stasis** with **fecal impaction** and form around a nidus in layers which may contain calcification visible on **radiographs** **2**. Triggers for their formation are unknown but may include ingested foreign bodies or **gallstones**.

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**Complications** of **fecolith** or **fecaloma** are **rare** but commonly result from obstruction, compression or erosion of the bowel or surrounding structures. **Case** reports have documented the following **complications**: appendicitis 4; **diverticulitis** 5; **bowel obstruction** 6,10; **bowel wall perforation** 7; hydronephrosis 8; bladder wall rupture 9; uterine rupture

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