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- Is there an activity index for Crohn's disease?
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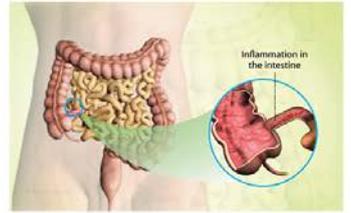
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Crohn's Disease Medical Condition MAYBE LATER YES



A chronic inflammation of the digestive tract that leads to abdominal pain, severe diarrhea, fatigue, weight loss and malnutrition.  
 Rare (Fewer than 200,000 cases per year in US)  
 Requires lab test or imaging  
 Treatments can help manage condition, no known cure  
 Can be lifelong  
 The exact cause is unknown but heredity and malfunctioning immune system play a role. Common symptoms include abdominal pain, diarrhea, malnutrition and fatigue. Treatment includes medications, nutritional supplements, and surgery, either independently or in combination. Treatment options depend on the location and severity of the disease.

**Symptoms**  
 Symptoms range from mild to severe and include:

- Abdominal pain and tenderness
- Feeling of a filled abdomen
- Tiredness
- Diarrhea, which can be mixed with blood, mucus or pus in severe cases
- Constipation
- Nausea
- Weight loss
- Fever
- Rectal bleeding
- Inflammation of the joints, eyes, and mouth

Children with Crohn's disease may report retarded growth or delayed sexual development.

**Treatments**  
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**Medication**

- Anti-inflammatory drugs: To reduce inflammation. Sulfasalazine, Mesalazine, Olsalazine.
- Immunosuppressants: Reduce the immune reaction. Azathioprine, Tacrolimus.
- Biologics: Monoclonal antibodies are administered for immunosuppression. Infliximab, Adalimumab, Certolizumab.
- Antibiotics: To control infection. Ampicillin, Cefotaxime, Ciprofloxacin, Tetracycline.
- Anti-diarrheal agents: To control diarrhea. Loperamide.

**Self care**

- Fluid replacement to prevent dehydration.
- Nutritional supplements to replace lost nutrients, including iron, vitamin B, calcium and vitamin D supplements.

**Medical procedures:** Colectomy

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Which is the best test for Crohn's disease? ▾

What does PCDAI stand for in Crohn's disease? ▾

How is optimising monitoring used in the management of Crohns disease? ▾

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