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**Eosinophilic gastroenteritis with abdominal pain and ascites: A case report**

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### **Abstract**

#### **BACKGROUND**

Eosinophilic gastroenteritis (EGE) is a rare disease which presents many unspecific gastroenterological symptoms. The disease includes three types, depending on the depth of eosinophil infiltration in gastrointestinal tract. The serosal type is the most rare, presenting with ascites.

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Background: Ascites is rare in eosinophilic gastroenteritis. Case characteristics: An 11-year-old boy who presented with abdominal pain and ascites. Observation: Peripheral blood examination revealed eosinophilia; serum IgE levels were raised. Biopsy from gastric antrum revealed marked eosinophilic infiltration of mucosa

## Eosinophilic gastroenteritis

Rare and Heterogeneous Condition

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