Gastrointestinal carcinoid tumor and chylous ascites, a rare association with a poor prognosis. A case report

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ABSTRACT

Gastrointestinal carcinoid is a rare tumor. The association of this tumor with chylous ascites is uncommon. A review of the English-language literature carried out in 2002 identified only 15 cases. We report a case of chylous ascites, gastrointestinal carcinoid tumor and elevated blood levels of CA-125 in a patient who did not respond to chemotherapy.

Key words: gastrointestinal carcinoid, chylous ascites, cancer antigen 125.

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