Ileal Vanek's tumor mimicking cecal carcinoma

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ABSTRACT

Inflammatory fibroid polyps or Vanek's tumors are rare benign pseudotumoral lesions with morphological characteristics similar to those of submucosal mesenchymal tumors. They have been described in the gastrointestinal tract, most frequently in the gastric antrum. We present a case of ileal Vanek's tumor associated with a raised carcinoembryonic antigen level and with radiological and endoscopic features mimicking cecal carcinoma.

Key words: inflammatory fibroid polyp, Vanek's tumor, ileal tumor, carcinoembryonic antigen.

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