

Abstract

Background

Crohn's disease (CD) is one of the two major disorders of inflammatory bowel disease that is defined by transmural mucosal inflammation that can affect any portion of the gastrointestinal tract (GIT). We discuss a rare presentation of this disease that has the potential to cause misdiagnosis.

Case presentation

A 35-year-old male presented with constitutional symptoms, right iliac fossa pain, erythema nodosum with minimal gastrointestinal symptoms. His initial presentation was with ileocolic intussusception. Evaluation led to the diagnosis of CD. Treatment with oral prednisolone and azathioprine led to clinical improvement.

Conclusions

This case illustrates a rare presentation of CD. Though rare, CD should be in the differential diagnosis in an adult presenting with intussusception.