

Reynella A Morenas,¹ Mark P Tighe,¹ Isabella Moore,²
Nadeem A Afzal,¹ R Mark Beattie¹

¹ Paediatric Medical Unit, Southampton University Hospitals NHS Trust, Southampton, UK; ² Southampton University Hospitals NHS Trust, Department of Cellular Pathology, Southampton General Hospital, Southampton, UK

Correspondence to: Dr R Mark Beattie, Paediatric Medical Unit, Southampton General Hospital, Tremona Rd, Southampton SO16 6YD, UK; mark.beattie@suht.swest.nhs.uk

Competing interests: None.

REFERENCES

1. Walker-Smith JA, Guandalini S, Schmitz J, *et al.* Revised criteria for diagnosis of coeliac disease. Report of Working Group of European Society of Paediatric

Gastroenterology and Nutrition. *Arch Dis Childhood* 1990;**65**:909–11.
2. Hill ID, Dirks MH, Liptak GS, *et al.* Guideline for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Celiac Disease in Children: Recommendations of the North American Society for Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition. *J Paediatr Gastroenterol Nutr* 2005;**40**:1–19.
3. Kaukinen K, Collin P, Maki M. Latent celiac disease or celiac disease beyond villous atrophy? *Gut* 2007;**56**:1339–40.

CORRECTIONS

doi:10.1136/gut.2007.135897corr1

Y A Abed, W Hameed, J Roy, *et al.* Appendicitis in an adult patient with cystic

fibrosis: a diagnostic challenge (*Gut* 2007;**56**:1799–1800). The first author's name was published incorrectly and should be Y Al-Abed.

doi:10.1136/gut.2006.118356corr1

N Kalia, J Hardcastle, C Keating, *et al.* Intestinal secretory and absorptive function in *Trichinella spiralis* mouse model of postinfective gut dysfunction: role of bile acids (*Gut* 2008;**57**:41–9). The list of authors was published in the wrong order: the correct order is N Kalia, J Hardcastle, L Grasa, C Keating, P Pelegrin, KD Bardhan, D Grundy.

Editor's quiz : GI snapshot

ANSWER

From the question on page 604

An excision biopsy of the neck lesion showed fragmented elastic fibres in the middle and deep dermis (fig 1), consistent with pseudoxanthoma elasticum (PXE). Ocular fundus photography demonstrated retinal angioid streaks. Thus, a diagnosis of PXE with colonic involvement was made. PXE primarily affects the elastic fibres, which is characterised by cutaneous and ocular lesions and widespread vascular abnormalities in the various organs. Its most common gastrointestinal presentation is gastric bleeding. PXE is, however, rarely associated with gastric and colorectal cobblestone appearance similar to diffuse xanthomas. There was a suggestive report on deterioration of PXE in a patient with Crohn's disease after steroid therapy.¹ The timed-release form of mesalamine used here (Pentasa) allows for maximal drug delivery in the colon, where it could exert anti-inflammatory effects possibly dependent on peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor-γ against his colonic lesions.

Gut 2008;**57**:716. doi:10.1136/gut.2007.120345a

REFERENCE

1. Jones AR, Florin TH. Deterioration of pseudoxanthoma elastica in a patient with active Crohn's disease. *Aust NZ J Med* 1995;**25**:739.

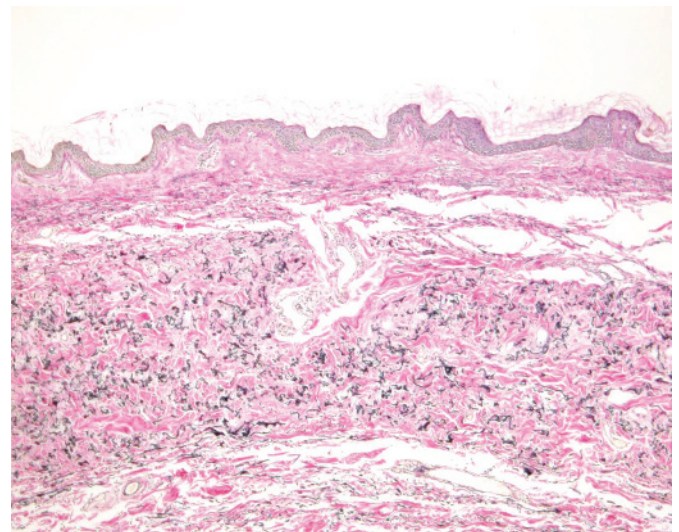


Figure 1 An excisional biopsy specimen of the affected neck skin. Staining of elastic tissue shows fragmented elastic fibres in the middle and deep dermis.