Case Report

Abstract: Appendicitis: Clinical Presentation Mimicking an Abdominal Tumor
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A 12-year-old boy was referred from a private hospital with the provisional diagnosis of abdominal tumor. He had a history of diarrhea and tenesmus 3 weeks ago. He was partially treated with oral antibiotics and later on pelvic mass was palpable. Many investigations were performed and rhabdomyosarcoma of the bladder was concluded before surgery. The operative findings revealed matted bowel loop with omental adhesion in the pelvic cavity. Pelvic - type appendix was noted with sign of inflammation and perforation at the distal part of appendix. Lysis of the adhesions, appendectomy and biopsies of debris tissue and the omentum were performed. Pathological revealed acute appendicitis with perforation and inflammation of all of the biopsied tissue. His post-operative course was uneventful and he was discharged on the 7th post operative day.