Primary intestinal lymphangiectasia (PIL) is a rare digestive disorder characterized by abnormally enlarged (dilatated) lymph vessels supplying the lining of the small intestine. The main symptoms are swelling (edema) of the limbs and abdominal discomfort. The disorder is usually diagnosed before three years of age but is sometimes diagnosed later in life. The cause of PIL is unknown. Multiple affected family members have been reported rarely. PIL is a rare disease that affects males and females in equal numbers. The prevalence is unknown.