SURGICAL PATHOLOGY REPORT [SYNTHETIC]

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CLINICAL HISTORY:

34 year old male with 3 week history of bloody diarrhea, abdominal pain, and urgency. Colonoscopy showed moderate erythema and loss of vascular pattern from rectum to descending colon. Clinical suspicion for ulcerative colitis.

SPECIMEN RECEIVED:

- A. Rectum, biopsy
- B. Sigmoid colon, biopsy
- C. Descending colon, biopsy
- D. Transverse colon, biopsy
- E. Ascending colon, biopsy
- F. Terminal ileum, biopsy

GROSS DESCRIPTION:

- A. Received in formalin labeled "rectum" are 3 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 5 mm in aggregate.
- B. Received in formalin labeled "sigmoid colon" are 5 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 3 mm in aggregate.
- C. Received in formalin labeled "descending colon" are 3 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 2 mm in aggregate.
- D. Received in formalin labeled "transverse colon" are 3 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 3 mm in aggregate.
- E. Received in formalin labeled "ascending colon" are 6 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 6 mm in aggregate.

F. Received in formalin labeled "terminal ileum" are 4 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 4 mm in aggregate.

All specimens are entirely submitted in 3 cassette(s).

MICROSCOPIC DESCRIPTION:

- A. Rectal mucosa shows moderate active chronic inflammation with crypt branching, crypt atrophy, and focal crypt abscesses. The inflammatory process is limited to the mucosa without evidence of granulomas. Occasional apoptotic bodies are present in crypts.
- B. Sigmoid colonic mucosa shows mild to moderate active chronic inflammation with diffuse neutrophilic cryptitis, crypt abscesses, and epithelial injury. The inflammatory process is limited to the mucosa without evidence of granulomas. Mucosal edema and congestion are present. Focally, the colonic epithelium shows nuclear enlargement, hyperchromasia, and architectural complexity suspicious for low-grade dysplasia.
- C. Descending colonic mucosa shows moderate active chronic inflammation with diffuse neutrophilic cryptitis, crypt abscesses, and epithelial injury. The inflammatory process is limited to the mucosa without evidence of granulomas. Mucosal edema and congestion are present.
- D. Transverse colonic mucosa shows mild active chronic inflammation with crypt branching, crypt atrophy, and focal crypt abscesses. Reactive epithelial changes are seen adjacent to areas of active inflammation.
- E. Ascending colonic mucosa shows mild active chronic inflammation with diffuse crypt architectural distortion, crypt abscesses, and goblet cell depletion. No evidence of dysplasia is identified.
- F. Terminal ileal mucosa shows normal small intestinal mucosa with preserved villous architecture. No evidence of chronic inflammatory bowel disease identified in this section.

DIAGNOSIS:

A. Rectum, biopsy:

- moderate active chronic colitis with crypt architectural distortion and goblet cell depletion
- moderate consistent with ulcerative colitis
- No dysplasia identified
- No evidence of cytomegalovirus (CMV) infection

B. Sigmoid colon, biopsy:

- mild to moderate active chronic colitis with crypt architectural distortion and goblet cell depletion
- Focal low-grade dysplasia identified
- mild to moderate consistent with ulcerative colitis
- No dysplasia identified

C-E. Descending, transverse, and ascending colon, biopsies:

- moderate active chronic colitis with crypt architectural distortion
- Features consistent with ulcerative colitis
- No dysplasia identified

F. Terminal ileum, biopsy:

- Mild non-specific inflammation
- No evidence of inflammatory bowel disease

COMMENT:

The histologic findings show a pattern of continuous chronic active colitis with greatest severity in the distal colon and rectum, with relative sparing of the proximal colon. The absence of granulomas, transmural inflammation, and terminal ileal involvement are features favoring ulcerative colitis over Crohn's disease. Correlation with clinical, endoscopic, and radiologic findings is recommended for definitive classification. The presence of diffuse crypt architectural distortion, basal plasmacytosis, and continuous inflammatory pattern strongly supports the diagnosis of ulcerative colitis. The presence of low-grade dysplasia warrants close clinical follow-up and surveillance colonoscopy according to established guidelines for IBD-associated dysplasia.

SPECIAL STUDIES:

No special stains were performed. p53 immunohistochemical stain shows focal overexpression in areas of dysplasia.

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