SURGICAL PATHOLOGY REPORT [SYNTHETIC]

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CLINICAL HISTORY:

53 year old male with 2 year history of bloody diarrhea, abdominal pain, and urgency. Colonoscopy showed continuous erythema and friability from rectum to splenic flexure. 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 4 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 5 mm in aggregate.

B. Received in formalin labeled "sigmoid colon" are 4 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 2 mm in aggregate.

C. Received in formalin labeled "descending colon" are 3 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 7 mm in aggregate.

D. Received in formalin labeled "transverse colon" are 6 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 6 mm in aggregate.

E. Received in formalin labeled "ascending colon" are 5 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 2 mm in aggregate.

F. Received in formalin labeled "terminal ileum" are 6 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 2 mm in aggregate.

All specimens are entirely submitted in 4 cassette(s).

MICROSCOPIC DESCRIPTION:

A. Rectal mucosa shows fulminant active chronic inflammation with crypt branching, crypt atrophy, and focal crypt abscesses. The inflammatory process is limited to the mucosa without evidence of granulomas. Marked decrease in goblet cell population.

B. Sigmoid colonic mucosa shows severe active chronic inflammation with marked crypt architectural distortion, numerous crypt abscesses, and complete goblet cell depletion. The inflammatory process is limited to the mucosa without evidence of granulomas. Surface epithelium shows reactive changes. Focally, the colonic epithelium shows nuclear enlargement, hyperchromasia, and architectural complexity suspicious for low-grade dysplasia.

C. Descending colonic mucosa shows mild to moderate active chronic inflammation with diffuse crypt architectural distortion, crypt abscesses, and goblet cell depletion. The inflammatory process is limited to the mucosa without evidence of granulomas. Basal plasmacytosis is prominent.

D. Transverse colonic mucosa shows moderate active chronic inflammation with crypt architectural distortion and crypt abscesses. Reactive epithelial changes are seen adjacent to areas of active inflammation.

E. Ascending colonic mucosa shows mild active chronic inflammation with crypt architectural distortion and crypt abscesses. Occasional apoptotic bodies are present in crypts.

F. Terminal ileal mucosa shows essentially normal ileal mucosa with intact villous architecture and no active inflammation. No evidence of chronic inflammatory bowel disease identified in this section.

DIAGNOSIS:

A. Rectum, biopsy:

- fulminant active chronic colitis with crypt architectural distortion and goblet cell depletion
- Focal low-grade dysplasia identified
- fulminant consistent with ulcerative colitis

- No dysplasia identified
- No evidence of cytomegalovirus (CMV) infection

B. Sigmoid colon, biopsy:

- severe active chronic colitis with crypt architectural distortion and goblet cell depletion
- severe consistent with ulcerative colitis
- No dysplasia identified

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

- mild to 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. Clinical correlation and follow-up biopsies are recommended to monitor disease activity and treatment response. The presence of low-grade dysplasia warrants close clinical follow-up and surveillance colonoscopy according to established guidelines for IBD-associated dysplasia.

SPECIAL STUDIES:

Immunohistochemical stain for p53 shows no evidence of dysplasia-associated molecular alterations. p53 immunohistochemical stain shows focal overexpression in areas of dysplasia.

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