# SURGICAL PATHOLOGY REPORT [SYNTHETIC]

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## **CLINICAL HISTORY:**

33 year old male with 5 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 3 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 5 mm in aggregate.
- B. Received in formalin labeled "sigmoid colon" are 4 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 3 mm in aggregate.
- C. Received in formalin labeled "descending colon" are 5 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 6 mm in aggregate.
- D. Received in formalin labeled "transverse colon" are 5 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 8 mm in aggregate.
- E. Received in formalin labeled "ascending colon" are 5 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 3 mm in aggregate.

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

All specimens are entirely submitted in 6 cassette(s).

## **MICROSCOPIC DESCRIPTION:**

- A. Rectal mucosa shows fulminant active chronic inflammation with severe cryptitis, crypt architectural distortion, and mucosal ulceration. The inflammatory process is limited to the mucosa without evidence of granulomas. Surface epithelium shows reactive changes.
- B. Sigmoid colonic mucosa shows severe active chronic inflammation with crypt architectural distortion, lamina propria plasma cells, and basal plasmacytosis. The inflammatory process is limited to the mucosa without evidence of granulomas. No evidence of dysplasia is identified.
- C. Descending colonic mucosa shows moderate to severe active chronic inflammation with diffuse neutrophilic cryptitis, crypt abscesses, and epithelial injury. The inflammatory process is limited to the mucosa without evidence of granulomas. Reactive epithelial changes are seen adjacent to areas of active inflammation.
- D. Transverse colonic mucosa shows mild active chronic inflammation with diffuse crypt architectural distortion, crypt abscesses, and goblet cell depletion. Surface epithelium shows reactive changes. The inflammatory pattern shows overlapping features of both ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease.
- E. Ascending colonic mucosa shows mild active chronic inflammation with crypt architectural distortion and crypt abscesses. Occasional Paneth cell metaplasia is noted.
- 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:

- fulminant active chronic colitis with crypt architectural distortion and goblet cell depletion
- Features of chronicity consistent with inflammatory bowel disease, with overlapping features of both UC and CD
- 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:

- moderate to severe 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 pattern of inflammation is consistent with ulcerative colitis as evidenced by the continuous mucosal involvement with greatest intensity distally. The histologic findings show overlapping features of both ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease. This pattern may represent an 'indeterminate colitis' and correlation with clinical, endoscopic, and serologic markers is strongly recommended for further classification.

## **SPECIAL STUDIES:**

No special stains were performed.

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