

# SURGICAL PATHOLOGY REPORT [SYNTHETIC]

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## CLINICAL HISTORY:

30 year old female 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 4 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 2 mm in aggregate.
- B. Received in formalin labeled "sigmoid colon" are 3 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 7 mm in aggregate.
- C. Received in formalin labeled "descending colon" are 4 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 3 mm in aggregate.
- D. Received in formalin labeled "transverse colon" are 5 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 5 mm in aggregate.
- E. Received in formalin labeled "ascending colon" are 3 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 2 mm in aggregate.

F. Received in formalin labeled "terminal ileum" are 2 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 5 mm in aggregate.

All specimens are entirely submitted in 5 cassette(s).

## **MICROSCOPIC DESCRIPTION:**

A. Rectal 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. Surface epithelium shows reactive changes.

B. Sigmoid colonic mucosa shows moderate 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. Lamina propria shows increased plasma cells and lymphocytes. Terminal ileal mucosa shows mild active inflammation with neutrophilic cryptitis, likely representing backwash ileitis.

C. Descending colonic 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.

D. Transverse colonic mucosa shows mild active chronic inflammation with crypt branching, crypt atrophy, and focal crypt abscesses. Marked decrease in goblet cell population.

E. Ascending colonic mucosa shows mild active chronic inflammation with diffuse crypt architectural distortion, crypt abscesses, and goblet cell depletion. Marked decrease in goblet cell population.

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. Areas of crypt dropout and lamina propria fibrosis are present, suggesting chronicity and possible treatment effect.

## **DIAGNOSIS:**

### ***A. Rectum, biopsy:***

- moderate to severe active chronic colitis with crypt architectural distortion and goblet cell depletion
- moderate to severe consistent with ulcerative colitis

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

### ***B. Sigmoid colon, biopsy:***

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

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

- moderate active chronic colitis with crypt architectural distortion
- Changes consistent with chronicity and treatment effect
- Features consistent with ulcerative colitis
- No dysplasia identified

### ***F. Terminal ileum, biopsy:***

- Mild non-specific inflammation
- Mild active ileitis, consistent with backwash ileitis in the setting of ulcerative colitis
- 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 mild ileal inflammation in the context of pancolitis is consistent with backwash ileitis, which can be seen in ulcerative colitis and does not necessarily indicate Crohn's disease. Histologic features suggesting chronicity and treatment effect are present. Correlation with treatment history is recommended.

## **SPECIAL STUDIES:**

Immunohistochemical stain for p53 shows no evidence of dysplasia-associated molecular alterations.

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