SURGICAL PATHOLOGY REPORT [SYNTHETIC]

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CLINICAL HISTORY:

68 year old female with recent onset history of bloody diarrhea, abdominal pain, and urgency. Colonoscopy showed severe friability, superficial ulcerations, and pseudopolyps throughout the 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 8 mm in aggregate.

B. Received in formalin labeled "sigmoid colon" are 4 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 8 mm in aggregate.

C. Received in formalin labeled "descending colon" are 4 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 5 mm in aggregate.

D. Received in formalin labeled "transverse colon" are 3 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 2 mm in aggregate.

E. Received in formalin labeled "ascending colon" are 5 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 6 mm in aggregate.

F. Received in formalin labeled "terminal ileum" are 6 tan-pink tissue fragments measuring 7 mm in aggregate.

All specimens are entirely submitted in 1 cassette(s).

MICROSCOPIC DESCRIPTION:

A. Rectal mucosa shows moderate to 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. Areas of crypt dropout and lamina propria fibrosis are present, suggesting chronicity and possible treatment effect.

B. Sigmoid colonic mucosa shows severe active chronic inflammation with crypt branching, crypt atrophy, and focal crypt abscesses. The inflammatory process is limited to the mucosa without evidence of granulomas. Reactive epithelial changes are seen adjacent to areas of active inflammation.

C. Descending colonic mucosa shows mild to moderate active chronic inflammation with severe cryptitis, crypt architectural distortion, and Paneth cell metaplasia. The inflammatory process is limited to the mucosa without evidence of granulomas. Occasional Paneth cell metaplasia is noted.

D. Transverse colonic mucosa shows mild active chronic inflammation with crypt branching, crypt atrophy, and focal crypt abscesses. Surface epithelium shows reactive changes.

E. Ascending colonic mucosa shows mild to moderate active chronic inflammation with crypt architectural distortion and crypt abscesses. Basal plasmacytosis is prominent.

F. Terminal ileal mucosa shows mild reactive lymphoid hyperplasia without evidence of chronic inflammatory bowel disease. No evidence of chronic inflammatory bowel disease identified in this section.

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:

- 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
- Changes consistent with chronicity and treatment effect
- 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 overall histologic features are characteristic of ulcerative colitis in the active phase. Histologic features suggesting chronicity and treatment effect are present. Correlation with treatment history is recommended.

SPECIAL STUDIES:

Grocott's methenamine silver (GMS) stain is negative for fungal organisms.

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