Case Report

Game of Groans: A Case Report on Recurrent Pancreatitis with Primary Hyperparathyroidism

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ABSTRACT: The presence of pancreatitis in the setting of primary hyperthyroidism is a challenge to diagnose even from the most adept physicians. This lends to the, still, debatable causality between the two diseases. This report presents a patient admitted 12 times due to pancreatitis before diagnosis of primary hyperthyroidism was made due to presence of gallbladder stones, skewing the picture. Further workup was done due to non-resolution of symptoms despite removal of choleliths which revealed elevated parathyroid hormones (PTH). After parathyroidectomy was done, there was no longer any recurrence of abdominal pain with serum calcium and PTH at normal levels.

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