# RadPath Conference 5/15/2017: Cool Case Collection



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#### Case #1

A 65 year old female patient with a history of scleroderma, interstitial lung disease, and psoriatic arthritis presents with 4-5 weeks of abdominal pain and bloating.







## Pathology: BG-17-70692











#### Diagnosis: High Grade Serous Ovarian Carcinoma



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#### Peritoneal Carcinomatosis: Neoplasms

- Serous > Mucinous
   Ovarian Cancer
- Krukenberg Tumor
  - Metastases to the ovary
  - Mucin-secreting signet ring cells
  - GI is most common
  - Can look identical to primary ovarian cancer



## Peritoneal Carcinomatosis: Imaging



- Loculated Ascites
- Peritoneal Implants
  - CT has limited sensitivity (7-50% if < 1 cm)
- Serosal Bowel Implants
- Omental Caking
- Calcifications (Serous Ovarian)
- Complications:
  - Bowel Obstruction
  - Hydronephrosis

## Peritoneal Implants



#### **Omental Caking and Serosal Implants**





### Differential Diagnosis: Primary Peritoneal Mesothelioma



Case courtesy of Dr Jan Frank Gerstenmaier, Radiopaedia.org, rID: 31361

- Can look identical to peritoneal carcinomatosis
- Asbestos Exposure
- Calcified Pleural Plaque
- Concurrent Pleural and Peritoneal Lesions

### Differential Diagnosis: Tuberculous Peritonitis

- Immunocompromised
- Low attenuation lymph nodes
- High attenuation ascites





Case courtesy of Dr Paul Leong, Radiopaedia.org, rID: 26474

### Differential Diagnosis: Pseudomyxoma Peritonei



- Due to rupture of a mucinous neoplasm
- Mucinous

   appendiceal
   neoplasm is most
   common
- Low Density Ascites
- Look for <u>Scallloping</u>

Case courtesy of Dr Rajesh Annamalaisamy, Radiopaedia.org, rID: 15366

### Case #2

A 58 year old male patient presents with mid back and lower back pain, as well as left shoulder pain, numbness, and tingling radiating down the left arm.





### Pathology: BS-16-54836







### Diagnosis: Burkitt's Lymphoma



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# Burkitt's Lymphoma: Background

- *c-myc* Translocation
- Fastest Doubling Time!
- Endemic
  - Pediatric
  - EBV/Malaria
  - Head and Neck
- Immunosuppressed
  - HIV
  - Post-Transplant
- Sporadic
  - North America/Europe
  - Rare
  - Abdomen/Solid Organs



Denis Parsons Burkitt "America is a constipated nation...If you pass small stools, you have to have large hospitals"

## Lymphoma and Bone/Spine



- Osseous Metastases
  - T1 Hypointense
  - STIR Hyperintense
  - Lytic/Permeative on CT
- Epidural Involvement



Case courtesy of Dr Dalia Ibrahim, Radiopaedia.org, rID: 48573

## Lymphoma and the Abdomen

- Lymphoma looks
   BORING
- Homogenous
- Monotonous
- Poorly Enhancing
- Encasement without Obstruction
- Exceptions: Intussusception



#### Burkitt's Lymphoma and the Abdomen



Case courtesy of Dr Henry Knipe, Radiopaedia.org, rID: 39564

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Ileocecal Valve



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### Peritoneal Lymphomatosis



Case courtesy of Dr Alexandra Stanislavsky, Radiopaedia.org, rID: 13995

#### Case #3

A 68 year old female patient presents with 10/10 epigastric pain, nausea, and non-bloody, non-bilious vomiting. She states she ate fish tacos for lunch on the day prior to admission and developed abdominal pain within a few hours.




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# Pathology: BS-17-10864









# Diagnosis: Cecal Volvulus





# Question: What is the <u>fundamental</u> predisposing etiology of cecal volvulus?

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# Cecal Volvulus: Background

- Twisting
- Etiology: Peritoneal Laxity
  - Deficient Fixation
  - Prior Surgery
- Age: 30s-60s
- Clinical DDx: The Usual Suspects
- Imaging DDx: Sigmoid Volvulus



# **Cecal Volvulus: Imaging Findings**





- Location
  - LUQ
  - Midline
- Whirl Sign
  - Mesentery and Engorged
    Vessels Radiate
  - "Eye" = Source
  - Highly Suggestive
- Morphology: <u>Haustral</u>

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## The Topogram is your Friend!



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#### Topogram: Cecal vs. Sigmoid Volvulus



Soft Wide "V" Shape = Ileocecal Valve

Dense White Line = Closely Apposed Bowel (Coffee Bean Sign)

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### Case #4

A 75 year old female patient presents with abdominal distention, nausea, and vomiting, progressed to the point where she has not been able to tolerate PO intake for three days.





#### Pathology: BS-16-55400











#### Diagnosis: Metastatic Lobular Breast Cancer





# Question: Which of the following is NOT true about invasive lobular breast cancer?

- A. It represents approximately 5-10% of all breast cancers
- B. There is a false negative mammography rate as high as 21%
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## Invasive Lobular Breast Cancer: Background



- 5-10% of breast cancer
- Usually ER+/PR+/HER2-
- Difficult to diagnose
- Can be easily missed
- Multicentric/Bilateral
- Worse prognosis than invasive ductal carcinoma

# ILC Metastasizes to Unusual Places

- GI Tract
  - Second most common metastasis after melanoma
  - Can mimic primary GI neoplasm
  - Upper > Lower
- Peritoneum
- Retroperitoneum
- Leptomeninges
- Ovary
- Biliary Tree



#### **Odd Metastases Examples**

A 69 year old presenting with jaundice, thought to have cholangiocarcinoma complicated by ascending cholangitis...eventually diagnosed with metastatic ILC, initially treated 30 years prior



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## Gastric Metastases from ILC

- Widespread gastric wall thickening > 1 cm in a well distended stomach
- Can mimic primary GI

Elliott LA, Hall GD, Perren TJ, Spencer JA. Metastatic breast carcinoma involving the gastric antrum and duodenum: computed tomography appearances. Br J Radiol. 1995;68(813):970-2.



# Take Home Message

- Nonspecific symptoms can lead to a delay in diagnosis
- Keep metastatic ILC in the back of your mind in female patients presenting with abdominal complaints, even if the primary cancer was treated years ago
- Similar to the melanoma paradigm: Sneaky cancer that hides in strange places, even years later
- If an endoscopic biopsy of *mucosa* is normal, consider the *serosa*!

### Case #5

A 64 year old male patient with a history of rheumatoid arthritis on immunosuppressive medications, as well as left MCA territory infarct 7 months prior, presents with new left-sided weakness.








# Pathology: BS-16-50621







#### Diagnosis: Glioblastoma Multiforme





Question: After maximal surgical resection, what is the standard first line chemotherapeutic agent for GBM?

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### Glioblastoma Multiforme (GBM): Background



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- Most common primary brain malignancy in adults
- Spreads along white matter tracts (including the corpus callosum)
- Association with Li-Fraumeni and Turcot Syndrome
- Terminology to know in pathology and neurooncology reports:
  - MGMT Methylated = Better
    Prognosis (TMZ will work)
  - IDH1 Wild-Type = Primary
    GBM = Worse Prognosis

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- Case #5: Remember that the immunosuppressed are at risk of the same pathology as the immunocompetent!

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#### Questions?



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