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Histopathological Study of Colorectal Lesions at Tertiary Care Centre M.Y. Hospital Indore

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Abstract
Background: Colon and rectum are affected by various non-neoplastic and neoplastic lesions. Biopsy is essential in many lesions because of delay in diagnosis due to vague symptoms.
Objective: The present study was done to evaluate etiological pattern of colorectal lesions and prevalence of malignant lesions on histopathological examination of biopsies and specimens.
Material and Methods: The present study was conducted in the Department of Pathology, M.G.M. Medical College Indore, from January 2016 to December 2017. Total 104 cases were studied. The diagnosis in all the cases were made on Hematoxylin and Eosin stained slides of processed tissue.
Results: Out of 104 cases, 77 (74%) were males and 27 (26%) were females with age range from infant to 80 years. Among 104 cases 18 (17.3 %) shows acute non specific colitis, 10 (9.62 %) shows chronic non specific colitis, 08 (7.69 %) shows tuberculosis, 12 (11.56 %) shows ischemic colitis, 05 (4.8 %) shows Juvenile rectal polyp, 07 (6.73 %) shows adenomatous rectal polyp, 12 (11.56 %) Hirschprung’s disease, 01 (0.96 %) shows crohn’s disease, 02 (1.92 %) Ulcerative colitis, 04 (3.84 %) shows Haemorrhoids, 17 (16.34 %) shows adenocarcinoma, 05 (4.80 %) shows mucinous adenocarcinoma, 02 (1.92 %) shows squamous cell carcinoma and 01 (0.96 %) shows malignant melanoma.
Conclusion: Majority of cases were non-neoplastic lesions, among which common finding were acute and chronic non specific colitis. Among neoplastic lesions, most common was adenocarcinoma colon. Biopsy is important investigation for diagnosis of malignant colorectal lesions.
Keywords: Colorectal lesions, Acute and chronic non specific colitis, Adenocarcinoma.

Introduction
Colon and rectum are part of large intestine affected by various non-neoplastic and neoplastic lesions. The diseases vary from inflammatory to malignant conditions and many times colonoscopic biopsy is important for confirmatory diagnosis.¹, ²

Colorectal cancer is the third most commonly diagnosed cancer worldwide.³ Acute and chronic non specific colitis, Hirschprung’s disease, crohn’s disease and ulcerative colitis can cause septicemia and perforation peritonitis. Ischemic colitis may lead to shock and vascular collapse.⁴
Objective
The present study was done to evaluate etiological pattern of colorectal lesions and prevalence of malignant lesions on histopathological examination of biopsies and specimens.

Material and Methods
The present study was conducted in the Department of Pathology, M.G.M. Medical College Indore, from January 2016 to December 2017. Total 104 cases of colon and rectum lesions were studied. The diagnosis in all the cases were made on Hematoxylin and Eosin stained slides of processed tissue.

Results
Out of 104 cases, 77 (74%) were males and 27 (26%) were females with male preponderance and male to female ratio of 2.8:1. Graph 1 shows gender wise distribution of cases. Age of the cases ranges from infant to 80 years. Non-neoplastic and benign neoplastic lesions were common in 1st to 3rd decade while malignant lesions were common in 5th to 7th decade. Table 1 represents, among 104 cases 18 (17.3 %) shows acute non specific colitis, 10 (9.62 %) shows chronic non specific colitis, 12 (11.56 %) shows ischemic colitis, 05 (4.8 %) shows Juvenile rectal polyp, 07 (6.73 %) shows adenomatous rectal polyp, 12 (11.56 %) Hirschprung’s disease, 01 (0.96 %) shows crohn’s disease, 02 (1.92 %) Ulcerative colitis, 04 (3.84 %) shows Haemorrhoids, 17 (16.34 %) shows adenocarcinoma, 05 (4.80 %) shows mucinous adenocarcinoma, 02 (1.92 %) shows squamous cell carcinoma and 01 (0.96 %) shows malignant melanoma.

Graph 1: showing gender wise distribution of colorectal lesions

Table 1: showing histopathological distribution of colorectal lesions

| S.N. | DIAGNOSIS                  | NO.OF CASES | PERCENTAGE |
|------|---------------------------|-------------|------------|
| 1    | Non-neoplastic lesions    |             |            |
|      | Acute non specific colitis| 18          | 17.3 %     |
|      | Chronic non specific colitis| 10        | 9.62 %     |
|      | Tuberculosis              | 08          | 7.69 %     |
|      | Ischemic colitis          | 12          | 11.56 %    |
|      | Hirschprung’s disease     | 12          | 11.56 %    |
|      | Crohn’s disease           | 01          | 0.96 %     |
|      | Ulcerative colitis        | 02          | 1.92 %     |
|      | Haemorrhoids              | 04          | 3.84 %     |
| 2    | Neoplastic lesions        |             |            |
| (i)  | Benign                    |             |            |
|      | Juvenile rectal polyp     | 05          | 4.8 %      |
|      | Adenomatous rectal polyp  | 07          | 6.73 %     |
| (ii) | Malignant                 |             |            |
|      | Adenocarcinoma            | 17          | 16.34 %    |
|      | Mucinous adenocarcinoma   | 05          | 4.80 %     |
|      | Squamous cell carcinoma   | 02          | 1.92 %     |
|      | Malignant melanoma        | 01          | 0.96 %     |
| TOTAL|                           | 104         | 100 %      |
Discussion
Histopathological examination of colorectal biopsies and specimens is of extremely significance for conclusive diagnosis of non-neoplastic and neoplastic lesions and on the basis of histopathological diagnosis further treatment protocol can be done at the earliest.

This study includes 104 cases of colorectal biopsies and specimens. In our study pattern varied from non-neoplastic lesions like acute & chronic non specific colitis, tuberculosis, ischemic colitis, rectal polyp, Hirschprung’s disease, inflammatory bowel disease and Haemorrhoids to malignant lesions like adenocarcinoma, mucinous adenocarcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma and malignant melanoma.

In our study age group ranged from infant to 80 years with non-neoplastic and benign neoplastic lesions were common in 1st to 3rd decade while malignant lesions were common in 5th to 7th decade, results of malignant lesions were comparable with Ritesh Sulegaon et al. [4]

Out of 104 cases, 67 (64.4%) were non-neoplastic, 12 (11.5%) were benign neoplastic and 25 (24.1%) were malignant neoplastic cases. The results were comparable with, Sidney J et al [5], R.Teague et al [6] and Rajbhandari M et al [7] in which prevalence of the non-neoplastic lesions were maximum.

In our study 24.1% cases were malignant lesions, out of which 88% were adenocarcinoma, these results were comparable with Dr Ambreen Beigh et.al[8] where 94.6% were adenocarcinomas.

Conclusion
Majority of cases were non-neoplastic lesions, among which common finding were acute and chronic non specific colitis. Among neoplastic lesions, most common was adenocarcinoma colon. Biopsy is important investigation for diagnosis of malignant colorectal lesions. So this study highlights the significance of histopathology for conclusive diagnosis in colorectal lesions.

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