

GASTRIC BAND EROSION (RARE PRESENTATION)

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Lap. Gastric Banding was done laparoscopically 6 months , patient was fine for first 3 months but developed port infection. The port was removed after the trial of antibiotics. The patient was fine for next 3 months & was losing weight. He started becoming dysphagic when the gastroscopy was done , where the band was found to be lying in stomach.

Aim

The case was first diagnosed as dysphagia due to Carcinoma & was biopsied also. Finally it was turned out to be gastric band erosion endoscopically. To make a point that dysphagia after gastric band should be thoroughly investigated

Method

Removal of band endoscopically when it is complete erosion.

Conclusion

The gastric band erosion can be presented in many different ways & one should look for different symptoms & signs while making diagnosis. The proper endoscopy can make definitive diagnosis.