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Why Does it Hurt So Bad?: Understanding Mechanisms of Pain in Chronic Pancreatitis

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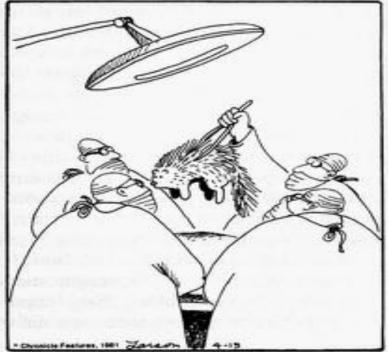
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THE FAR SIDE By GARY LARSON



"Well, I guess that explains the abdominal pains."

Snapshots at jasonlove.com



"I'm afraid that your irritable bowel syndrome has progressed. You now have furious and vindictive bowel syndrome."

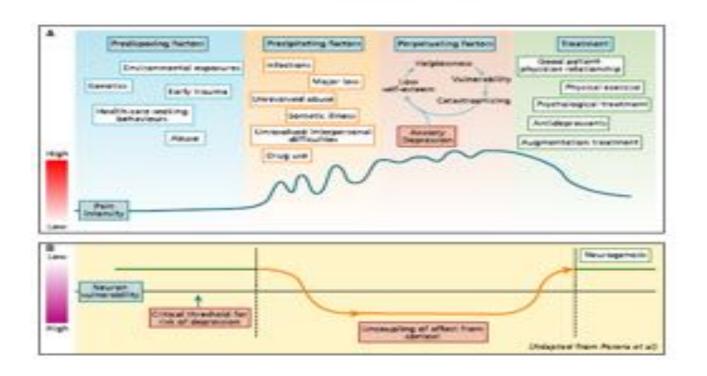
How do Pain and Nociception Differ?

- Pain: A subjective unpleasant sensory and emotional experience associated with actual or potential tissue damage or described in terms of such damage
- <u>Nociception</u>: Response of sensory nervous system to harmful or potentially harmful stimuli
- Due to the <u>subjective</u> nature and <u>emotional</u> aspect of pain, there will never be a biomarker for pain but more likely for nociceptive activation

What is Chronic Abdominal Pain?

- Intermittent or continuous abdominal pain
- Duration of 2 months, ≥3 months or ≥6 months have all been used in the literature
- Organic and functional etiologies

Complex Interplay between Psychosocial and Somatic Disease Leads to Reduced Pain Thresholds and Chronic Abdominal Pain



Tornblom H et al. Neurogastroenterol Motil 2015; 27: 455-67



Chronic Abdominal Pain



Central

Functional
Chronic
Pancreatitis
IBD
Diverticulitis
Infectious/Ischemic

Colitis

Abdominal Wall

Postsurgical Postherpetic Myofascial Depression
Anxiety
PTSD
Substance Abuse
Catastrophizing



Chronic pancreatitis is rare compared to functional gastrointestinal disorders and both cause chronic abdominal pain

Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders are FAR More Prevalent than Chronic Pancreatitis

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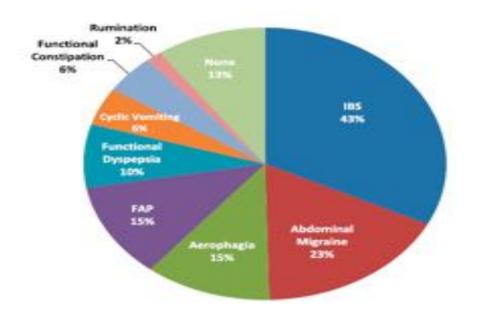
- Prevalence of 10-13.5% of the population
- 33,000,000-44,550,000 in the U.S. if population is approximately 330,000,000

Chronic Pancreatitis

- Prevalence of 3-42 per 100,000
- 9,900-138,600 in the U.S.
 if population is
 approximately
 330,000,000

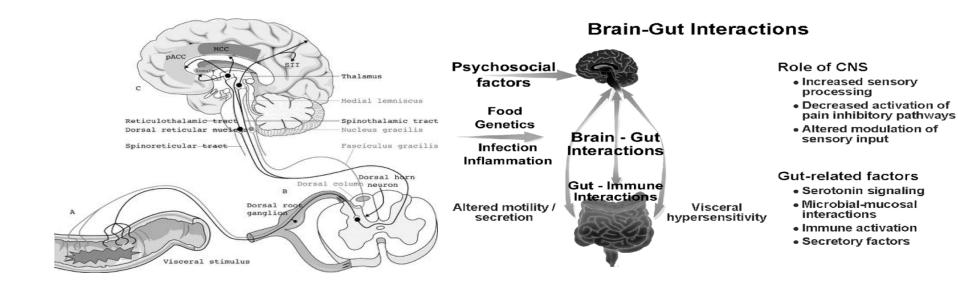
Aziz I et al. Lancet Gastroenterol Hepatol 2018; 3: 252-62 Rajindrajith S et al. Expert Rev Gastroenterol Hepatol 2018; 12: 369-90 Levy P et al. United European Gastroenterol J 2014; 2: 345-54

Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders in 87% of Children with Abdominal Pain



Helgeland H et al. J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr 2009; 49: 309-15

Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders are due to Brain Gut Interactions





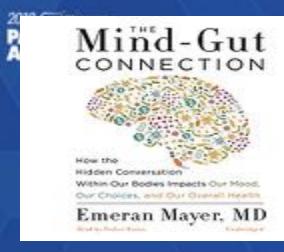
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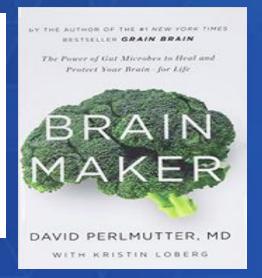
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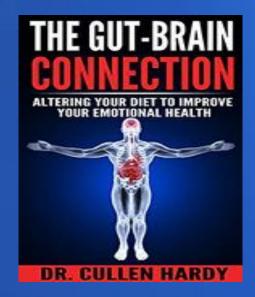


Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders: Disorders of Gut-Brain Interaction

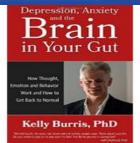


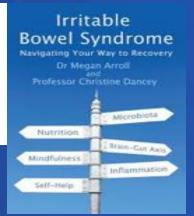


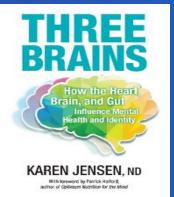










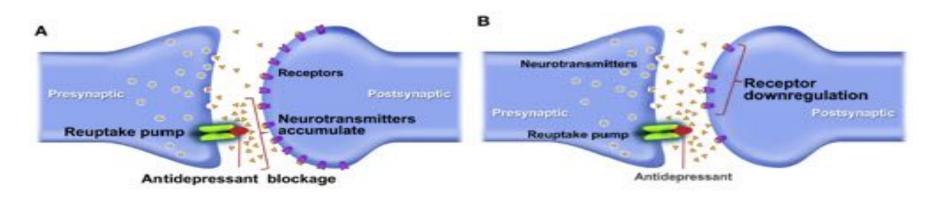


SPECIAL REPORT

Neuromodulators for Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders (Disorders of Gut — Brain Interaction): A Rome Foundation Working Team Report



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Gastroenterology 2018;154:1249-1257

AGA CLINICAL PRACTICE UPDATE: EXPERT REVIEW

Best Practice Update: Incorporating Psychogastroenterology Into Management of Digestive Disorders



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Early chronic pancreatitis can be difficult to differentiate from functional disorders and other conditions that cause chronic abdominal pain

Morphological and functional changes of chronic pancreatitis in patients with dyspepsia: A prospective, observational, cross-sectional study



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Chronic pancreatitis like changes on EUS, MRI, and/or ePFT in 21% of Functional Dyspepsia patients!

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Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders: History, Pathophysiology, Clinical Features, and Rome IV



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IBD, inflammatory bowel disease.

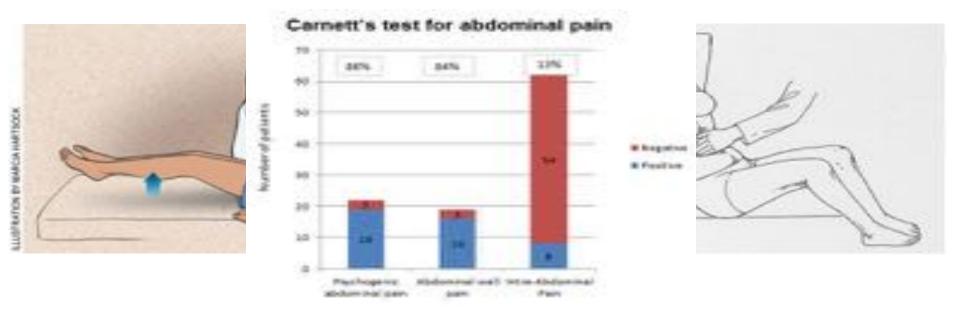
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	Organic	Motility	Functional		
	GI disorder	disorder	Gl disorder		
Primary domain	Organ morphology	Organ function	liness experience		
Orderion	Pathology (disease)	Attered motility	Symptoms		
Measurement	Histology	Motility	Motility		
Neusoramen	Pathology Endoscopy Radiology	Visceral sensitivity	Visceral sensitivity Symptom criteria (Rome) Psychosocial		
bumples Esophagits Peptic ulcer IBD Colon cancer		Offuse esophageal spasm Gastroparesis Pseudo-obstruction Colonic inertia	Esophageal chest pain Functional dyspepsia IBS Functional constipation		

Gastroenterology 2016; 150: 1262-79

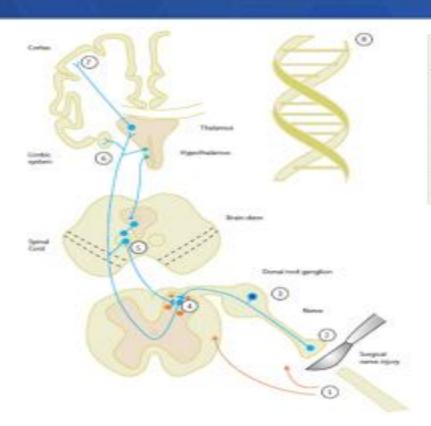
Chronic Abdominal Wall Pain: A Frequently Overlooked Problem

Practical Approach to Diagnosis and Management



Srinivasan R. Am J Gastroenterol 2002; 97: 824-30 Takada T et al. Internal Medicine 2011; 50: 213-7

Chronic Postsurgical Abdominal Pain



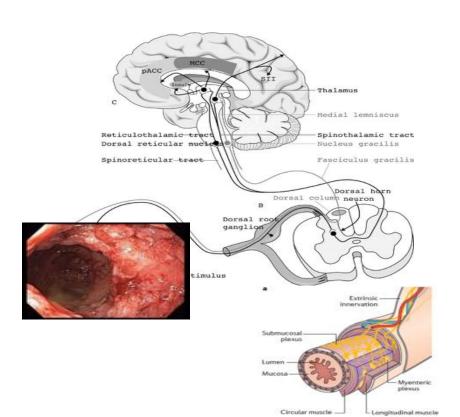
	Estimated incidence of chronic pain	Estimated chronic severe (disabling) pain (>5 out of score of 10)	US surgical volumes (1000s)†	
Amputation*	30-50%	5-10%	159 (lower limb only)	
Breast surgery (lumpectomy and mastectomy) ¹	20-30%	5-10%	479	
Thoracotomy ^{6,7}	30-40%	10%	Unknown	
Inguinal hernia repair***	10%	2-4%	609	
Coronary artery bypass surgery ³⁵⁻¹⁵	30-50%	5-10%	598	
Caesarean section ¹⁴	10%	4%	220	

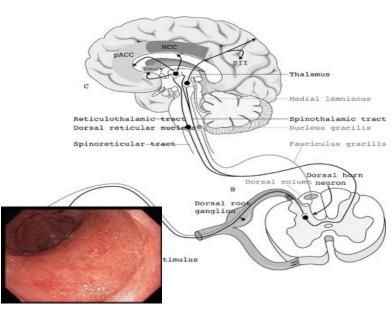
^{*}Gall bladder surgery not included, since preoperative diagnosis of pain specifically from gall bladder is difficult and persistent postoperative pain could therefore be related to other intra-abdominal disorders. †National Center For Health Statistics, Ambulatory and Inpatients Procedures, USA, 1996.

Chronic pain after common surgical procedures occurs in 10-50% with severe pain in 2-10%

Kehlet H et al. Lancet 2006; 367: 1618-25

"Irritable Bowel Syndrome" in IBD





Centrally Mediated Disorders of Gastrointestinal Pain

Laurie Keefer, Douglas A. Drossman, Elspeth Guthrie, Magnus Simrén, Kirsten Tillisch, Kevin Olden, and Peter J. Whorwell

D1. Diagnostic Criteria[®] for Centrally Mediated Abdominal Pain Syndrome[®]

Must include all of the following:

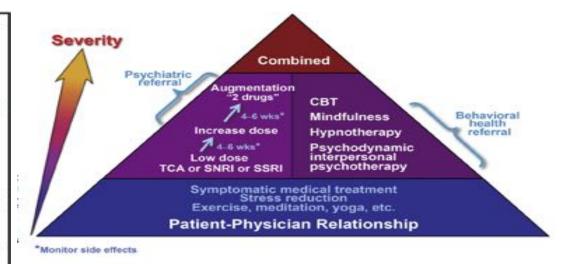
- · Continuous or nearly continuous abdominal pain
- No or only occasional relationship of pain with physiological events (eg, eating, defecation, or menses)^c
- · Pain limits some aspect of daily functioning
- . The pain is not feigned
- Pain is not explained by another structural or functional gastrointestinal disorder or other medical condition

Criteria fulfilled for the last 3 months with symptom onset at least 6 months before diagnosis.

⁶CAPS is typically associated with psychiatric comorbidity, but there is no specific profile that can be used for diagnosis.

'Some degree of gastrointestinal dysfunction may be present.

^dDaily function could include impairments in work, intimacy, social/leisure, family life, and caregiving for self or others.

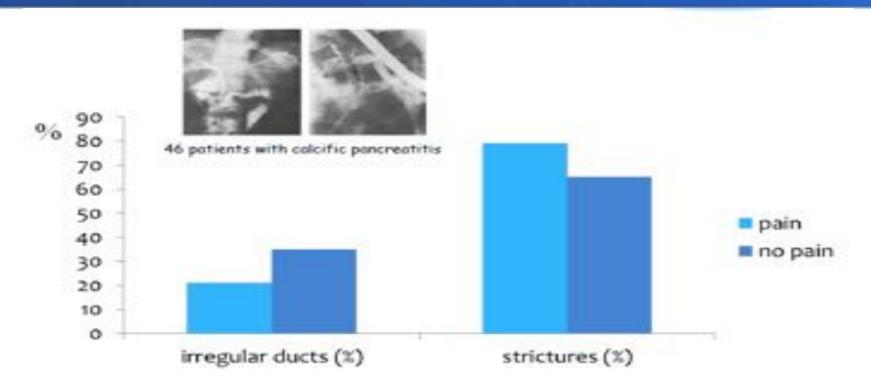


Keefer L et al. Gastroenterology 2016: 150: 1408-1419



Some patients with advanced chronic pancreatitis have no pain!

Irregularity and Strictures of the Pancreatic Duct do not Correlate with Pain in Chronic Calcific Pancreatitis



Bornman PC et al. Br J Surg 1980; 67: 425-8

Pain Does not Correlate with Radiographic and Imaging Findings Even in Advanced Chronic Pancreatitis!

		Pain pattern						
Variable	All patients (n = 518)	No pain (n = 81)	A (n = 67)	B (n = 23)	C (n = 98)	D (n = 229)	E (n = 19)	P value
Calcification	276 (53.3)	49 (60.5)	37 (55.2)	12 (50)	58 (59-2)	107 (46.7)	13 (68.4)	.11
Calcification"	286 (55.2)	51 (63)	41 (61.2)	12 (50)	59 (60.2)	109 (47.6)	14 (73.7)	.0324
Atrophy	261 (54.3)	50 (61.7)	37 (55.2)	16 (66.7)	48 (49)	121 (52.8)	9 (47.4)	.41
Atrophy*	297 (57.3)	53 (65.4)	38 (56.7)	18 (75)	50 (51)	128 (55.9)	10 (52.6)	.21
PD dilatation	317 (61.2)	50 (61.7)	44 (65.7)	14 (58.3)	64 (65.3)	135 (59)	10 (52.6)	.79
PD dilatation*	350 (67.6)	52 (64.2)	49 (T3.1)	15 (62.5)	70 (71.4)	151 (65.9)	13 (68.4)	.76
PD stricture/obstruction	103 (19.9)	10 (12.4)	16 (23.9)	2 (8.3)	26 (26.5)	46 (20.1)	3 (15.8)	-10
PD stricture/obstruction*	142 (27.4)	17 (21)	22 (32.8)	3 (12.5)	30 (30.6)	63 (27.5)	7 (06.8)	.24
Pseudocyst	137 (26.5)	16 (19.8)	24 (35.8)	5 (20.8)	18 (18.4)	70 (30.6)	4 (21.1)	.0544
Pseudocyst*	167 (32.2)	19 (23.5)	28 (41.8)	5 (20.8)	24 (24.5)	86 (37.6)	5 (26.3)	.0229
PD irregularity	266 (51.4)	34 (42)	38 (56.7)	14 (58.3)	57 (58.2)	115 (50.2)	8 (42.1)	.25
Inflammation	176 (34)	23 (28.4)	19 (28.4)	4 (16.7)	37 (37.8)	82 (35.8)	11 (57.9)	.0497
Pancreatic mass	30 (5.8)	6 (7.4)	3 (4.5)	1 (4.2)	9 (9.2)	9 (3.9)	2 (10.5)	.31
Abnormal side branches	213 (41.1)	27 (33.3)	36 (52.2)	11 (45.8)	36 (36.7)	97 (42.4)	7 (35.8)	.24
CBD stricture	61 (11.8)	9 (11.1)	10 (14.9)	3 (12.5)	19 (19.4)	19 (8.3)	153	.0911
CBD dilatation	92 (17.8)	16 (19.8)	17 (25.4)	4 (16.7)	20 (20.4)	32 (14)	3 (15.8)	.31
Changes of cirrhosis and/or	64 (12.4)	7 (8.6)	9 (13.4)	2 (8.3)	11 (11.2)	30 (13.1)	5 (26.3)	.40

Wilcox CM et al. Clin Gastroenterol Hepatol 2015; 13: 552-60



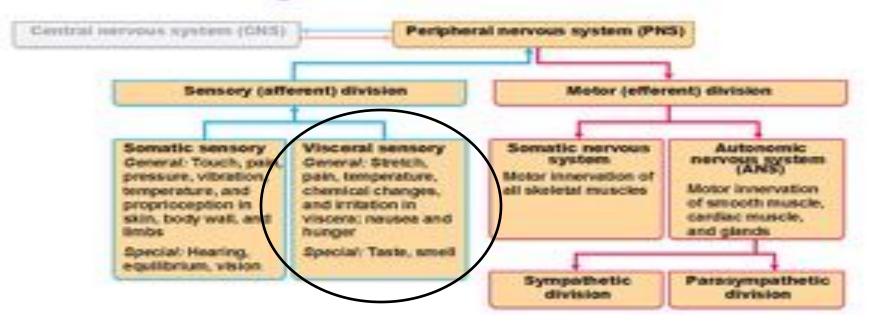
There is no easy way to differentiate visceral and central pain in chronic pancreatitis [Is pain coming from pancreas or it is now in the central nervous system?]

Characteristics of Visceral Pain

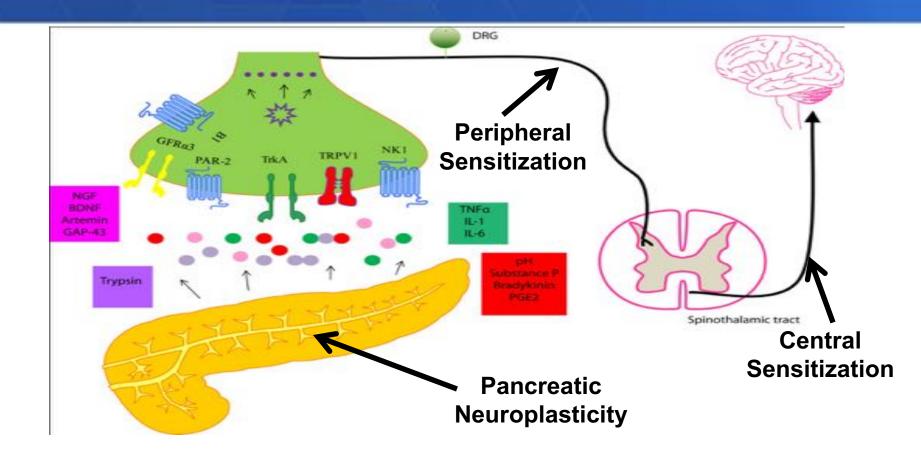
- Not all viscera have sensory innervation (e.g. liver, lung, kidney)
- Not always due to visceral injury
 - Distension (e.g. bladder), obstruction (e.g. bile duct), ischemia and inflammation (e.g. pancreatitis) often lead to pain but cutting (e.g. intestine) and burning do not
- Referred to other locations
- Diffuse and poorly localized
- Accompanied by motor and autonomic reflexes (e.g., nausea, vomiting, diarrhea)

Sensory Nerves Mediate Nociception between Viscera and CNS

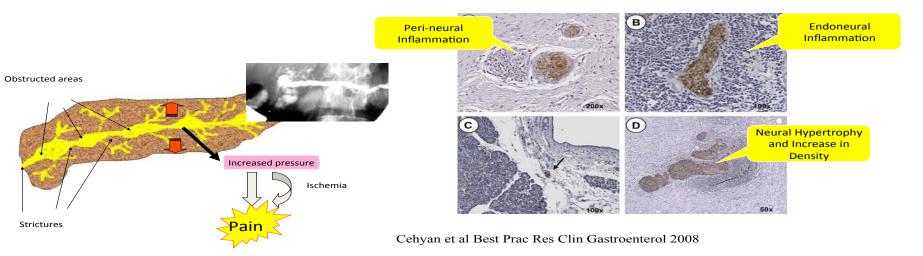
Functional Organization of the PNS

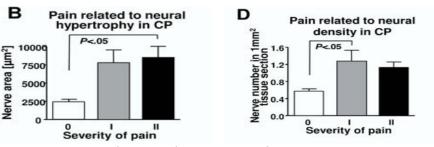


Neurobiological Principles of Pancreatic Pain



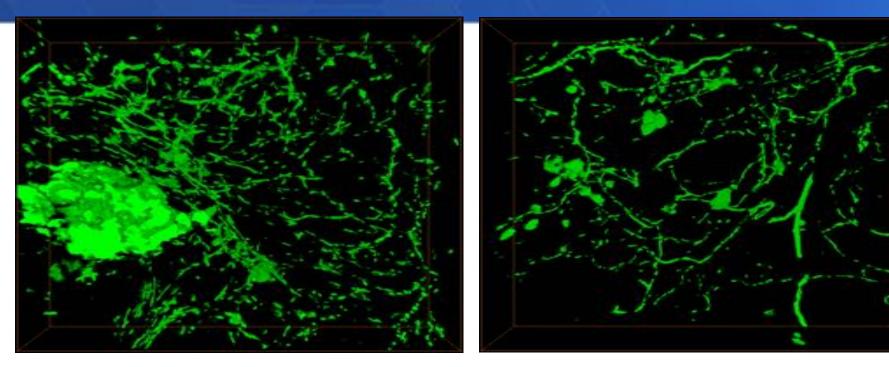
Neuropathic changes, but not intraductal pressure, correlates best with pancreatic pain in CP





Cehyan et al Gastroenterology 2009

Pancreatic Neuroplasticity

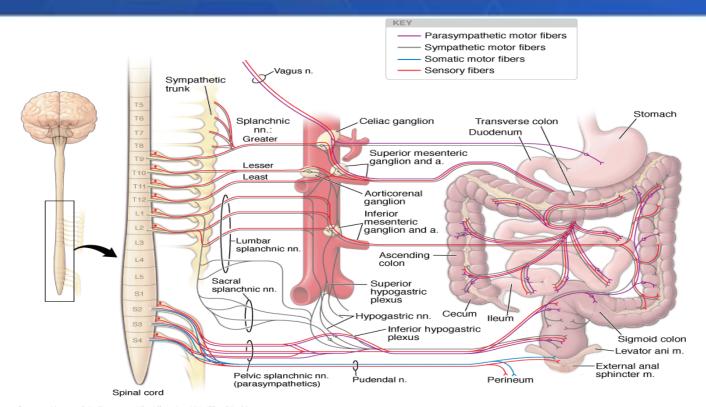


Chronic Pancreatitis

Normal

Courtesy of Dr. Pankaj Pasricha

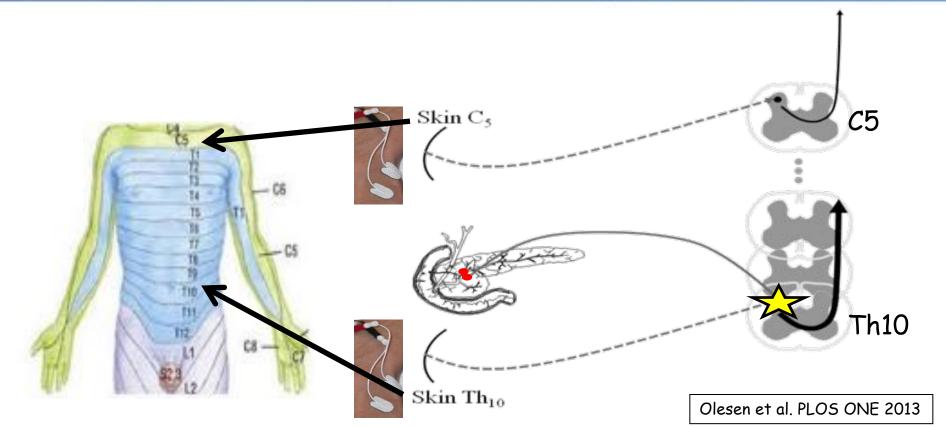
Extensive Nerve Connections Between the Pancreas/Abdominal Organs and Central Nervous System



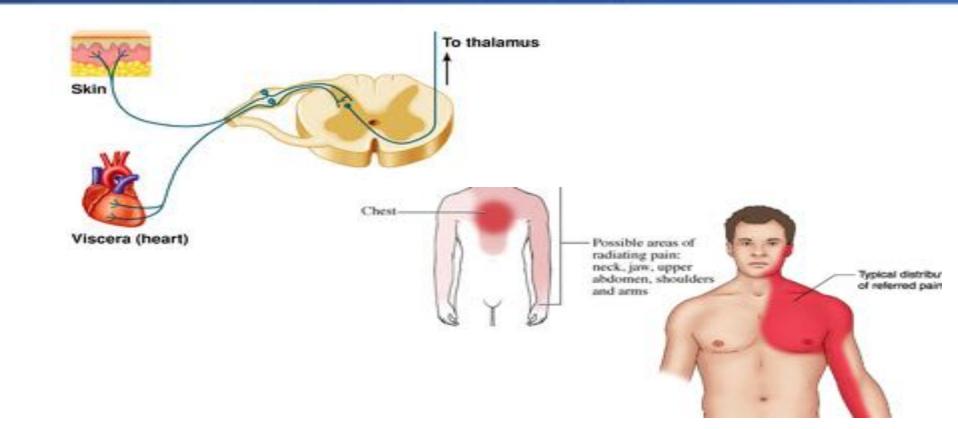
Referred Pain is due to Nerve Connections Between Organs and the Central Nervous System



T10 Dermatome and Pancreas Synapse at Same Level in Spinal Cord (This is why we focus on this portion of the abdomen in the history and physical examination)

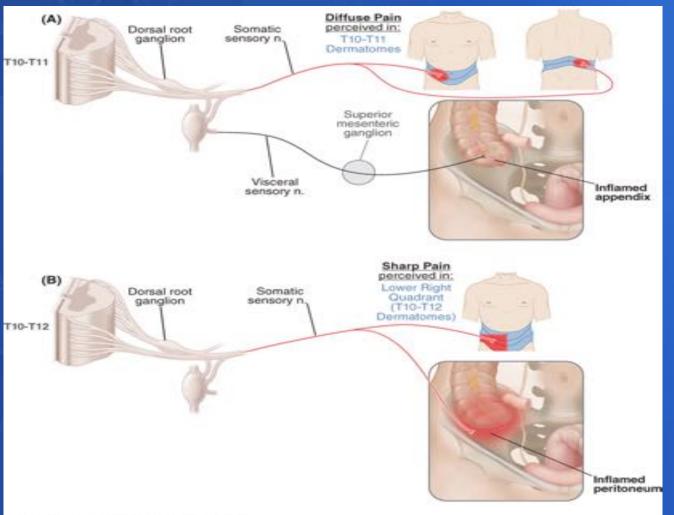


Referred Pain in Myocardial Infarction



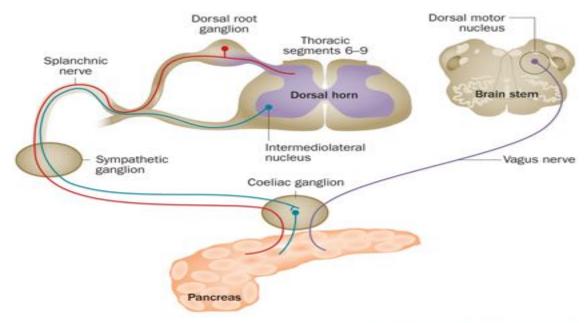


Referred Pain in Appendicitis



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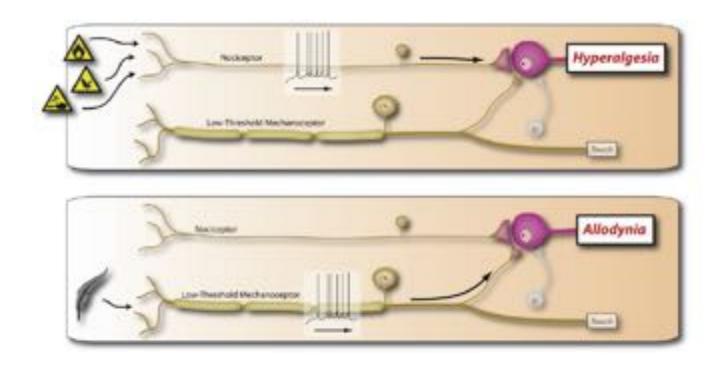
Nerves that carry pain also communicate with nerves that are associated with symptoms such as nausea, vomiting and diarrhea



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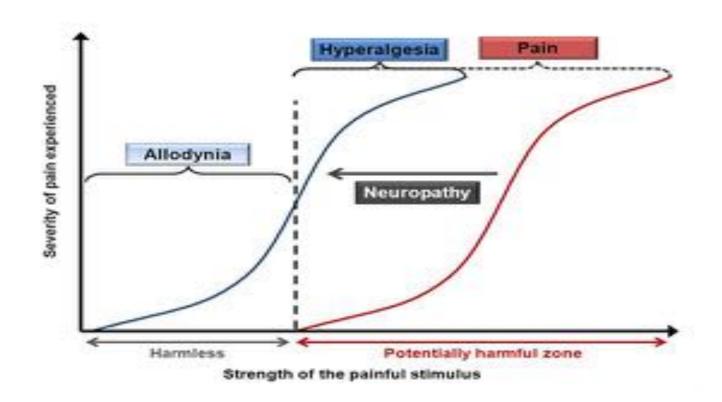
Demir IE et al. Nat Rev Gastroenterol Hepatol 2015; 12: 649-59

Central Sensitization Develops over Time in Chronic Pain Conditions



Woolf CJ. Pain 2011; 152: S2-S15

Physical Examination Findings of Sensitization are Hyperalgesia and Allodynia



Key Points

- Chronic pancreatitis is rare compared to functional disorders and both cause chronic abdominal pain
- Early chronic pancreatitis can be difficult to differentiate from functional disorders and other conditions that cause chronic abdominal pain
- Some patients with advanced chronic pancreatitis will have no pain
- No easy way to differentiate visceral and central pain in chronic pancreatitis

Thank You

