



“Sausage” sign intussusception

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The “Sausage” sign refers to the CT appearance of intussusception in which the involved segment appears as elongated sausage-shaped mass with visible layers (Figs. 1, 2) [1]. The invagination of a bowel loop with its mesentery into the lumen of a contiguous bowel loop as a result of peristalsis constitutes the intussusception [2]. The pathognomonic feature at CT is the presence of bowel-within-bowel configuration with or without mesenteric fat or vessels (Fig. 3) [3].



Fig. 1 Sagittal reformatted CT image showing the classic “sausage” appearance with various layers, in an adult case of intussusception with obstruction

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Fig. 2 Metaphorical image of sausage showing the appearance after which the sign is named



Fig. 3 Coronal reformatted CT image showing the classic “bowel within bowel lumen” appearance of the intussusception in the same patient

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