



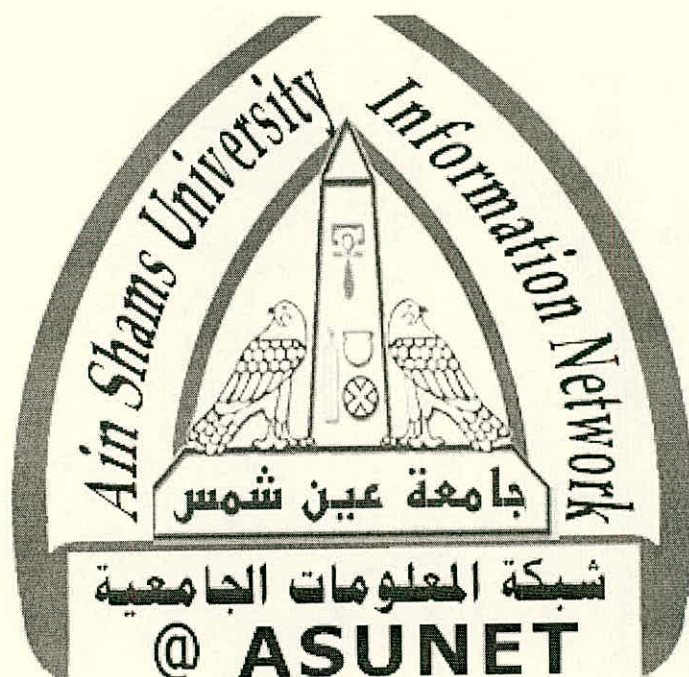
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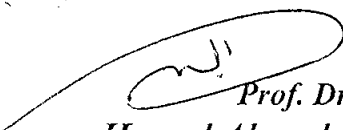
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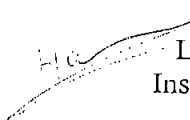
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ABSTRACT

Upper Gastrointestinal Morphological Changes and Gut Contamination in Childhood Constipation

Background: Constipation, defined as passing infrequent or difficult hard stool, is a common pediatric problem. As upper G.I. symptoms are of common occurrence in constipated children, it was hypothesized that dysmotility and delayed gastric emptying, which were reported in constipated patients, may predispose to gut contamination which in turn may lead to morphological and functional disturbances of the upper G.I. Hence the aim of our study was to evaluate upper G.I. morphological changes, through upper G.I. endoscopy and searching for gut contamination and assessment of orocecal Transit Time (OCTT).

Methods: The study was conducted on 56 children having chronic constipation (34 males and 22 females, mean age 5.4 ± 1.7 years) and age and sex matched 112 children served as controls. All children were subjected to lactulose breath hydrogen test (LBHT) for assessment of small bowel bacterial overgrowth (SBBO) and orocecal transit time (OCTT). Upper G.I. endoscopy was done for study cases to evaluate upper G.I. morphology. During upper G.I. endoscopy, an antral biopsy was taken for assessment of *H. pylori* by rapid urease test and also a sample of small intestinal aspirate was obtained and cultured for assessment of SBBO.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

BHT	Breath hydrogen test	
BMI	Body mass index	
C ₃ b	Complement 3 b.	
Cag	Cytotoxin associated gene	
CCK	Cholecystokinin	
CFU	Colony forming unit	
CRF	Corticotrophine-releasing factor	
EAS	External anal sphincter	
EGD	Esophageal gastroduodenoscopy	
ELISA	Enzyme-linked immunosorbant assay	
ERCP	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography	
EUS	Endoscopic ultrasonography	
FBH ₂	Fasting breath hydrogen	
G.I	Gastrointestinal	
GBHT	Glucose breath hydrogen test	
GORD	Gastro-oesophageal reflux disease	2
GRP	Gastrin releasing peptide	4
IAS	Internal anal sphincter	2
ICCs	Interstitial cells of Cajal	9
IL-1	Interleukin-1	7
LBHT	Lactulose breath hydrogen test	8
LPS	Lipopolysaccharide	9
MALToma	Mucosa-associated lymphoid tissue lymphoma.	
MEN	Multiple endocrine neoplasia	
NANC	Non-adrenergic non-cholinergic	

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