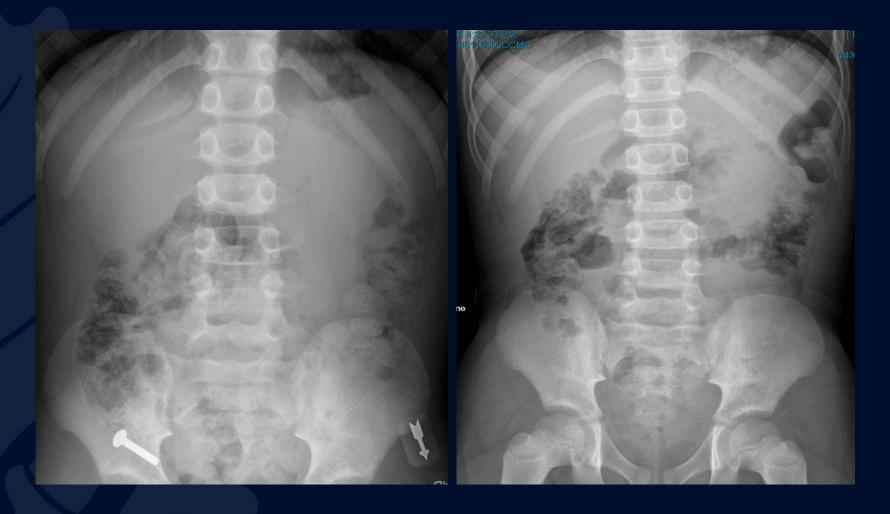
12 year old with abdominal pain

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At 8am At 4pm







Foreign Body Ingestion





-Ingested metallic screw in the expected region of the cecum -No associated mechanical bowel obstruction or free air -Passed foreign body on subsequent imaging



Foreign Body Ingestion

Clinical Presentation:

Greater than 85% of ingested foreign bodies occur in the pediatric population

Often asymptomatic

Symptoms will vary depending on the ingested foreign body

Coins most common

Imaging:

AP Chest and Abdominal Radiographs

Depending on foreign body, approximately 65% are radiodense



Treatment

Most foreign bodies make it into the stomach and small bowel and eventually pass without any complications

- Esophageal foreign bodies may need urgent endoscopic removal
- Disc Batteries impacted in the esophagus carry a high risk of corrosive esophageal injury and perforation, require endoscopic intervention
- Multiple ingested magnets can become affixed to one another across the walls of multiple bowel loops and can cause bowel perforation and fistula formation



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