

Acute Abdominal Pain in Children

TABLE 1
Causes of Acute Abdominal Pain in Children

Gastrointestinal causes	Genitourinary causes	Drugs and toxins
Gastroenteritis	Urinary tract infection	Erythromycin
Appendicitis	Urinary calculi	Salicylates
Mesenteric lymphadenitis	Dysmenorrhea	Lead poisoning
Constipation	Mittelschmerz	Venoms
Abdominal trauma	Pelvic inflammatory disease	Pulmonary causes
Intestinal obstruction	Threatened abortion	Pneumonia
Peritonitis	Ectopic pregnancy	Diaphragmatic
Food poisoning	Ovarian/testicular torsion	Pleurisy
Peptic ulcer	Endometriosis	Miscellaneous
Meckel's diverticulum	Hematocolpos	Infantile colic
Inflammatory bowel disease	Metabolic disorders	Functional pain
Lactose intolerance	Diabetic ketoacidosis	Pharyngitis
Liver, spleen, and biliary tract disorders	Hypoglycemia	Angioneurotic edema
Hepatitis	Porphyria	Familial
Cholecystitis	Acute adrenal insufficiency	Mediterranean fever
Cholelithiasis	Hematologic disorders	
Splenic infarction	Sickle cell anemia	
Rupture of the spleen	Henoch-Schönlein purpura	
Pancreatitis	Hemolytic uremic syndrome	

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