Case study : Partial Situs Inversus in a Morbidly Obese Female.

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Introduction

A 32 years old female presented with off & on mid chest pain and Morbid Obesity (BMI 41.41Sq. Mtrs) & secondary infertility. One FTND & she had a h/o ? liver problem. Method

CT Chest/Abd/Pelvis showed Enlarged Mediastinal Lymph nodes and Partial Situs Inversus since there was no Dextr-Cardia.

Ba Meal FT also showed Situs Inversus. Haematology, Biochemistry, ECG, 2D Echo, Chest X-ray were normal.

Patient planned for a Sleeve Gastrectomy in a supine reverse Trendenburg's position. Primary surgeon stood on the left of the patient. Camera 12 mm port in the supra-umbilical region, 12 mm port in the line of umbilicus in (L) mid-clavicular line, 5 mm port right epigastrium for liver retraction, another two 5 mm working ports either side of the mid abdomen.

Intra-operative findings: Large stomach on the right of abdomen, Liver extending from left to right, Spleen in the RHC region. Devascularisation of the greater curvature started from about 6 cms from the Pylorus to the right crus. Stomach resected with 32 F Bougie in the stomach. Staple line burried with 2-0 Ethibond suture. Abdominal drain placed. Ryles tube placed in the stomach.

Result

Patient's recovery was uneventful. Patient started on oral liquids 20 hours after the surgery. Ryles tube was removed after 24 hours and drain after 30 hours. Conclusion

Patient was totally asymptomatic so far GI tract was considered. It was only the surgical task for the surgeon because of the "Mirror-Image" effect.