



Clinical Diagnosis and Treatment of Pancreatitis

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Acute pancreatitis causes high morbidity, mortality rates, and hospitalization costs of over USD 30,000 per person in the US. The common causes include gallstones and alcohol use. Its incidence and hospitalization rates have increased continuously over 20 years. Approximately 80% of cases are mild, but the remaining 20% are severe and require expert consulting. Consequently, there's ongoing research on diagnostic techniques and therapies to treat complications and predictors of severity. At present, there's no consensus regarding acute pancreatitis as different approaches exist due to the poorly understood nature of pancreatic inflammation and its consequences. This issue aggregates experimental and population epidemiological studies aimed at examining disease history, advances, diagnosis and treatments, etiology and prevention, and other relationships like diabetes or chronic pancreatitis. Lastly, it explores the potential role of surgery, interventional radiology, and endoscopic ultrasound therapy to treat acute pancreatitis for better outcomes.





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