Amebic Liver Abscess

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Editor, I read the recent publication on amebic liver abscess (ALA) with a great interest [1]. Mukhopadhyay et al. concluded that “In an endemic area a patient presenting with lower chest or upper abdominal pain along with tender hepatomegaly should raise the suspicion of ALA [1].” I would like to share idea on this study. In my experience [2], the three most common presentations include abdominal pain, fever and chills, and abdominal tenderness. The patients usually complaint for chest pain. Indeed, chest pain in amebic liver abscess is usually detectable in case with rupture into pleural cavity. Nevertheless, hepatomegaly is also

not common. It might be concluded that the important common should be “upper abdominal pain”.

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