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ASCARIASIS PRESENTING AS ACUTE ABDOMEN DURING PREGNANCY AND PUERPERIUM

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Abstract. Ascariasis can have various clinical presentations. We present three cases of ascariasis in pregnant or postpartum women, presenting with acute abdomen. The diagnosis of ascariasis was made clinically with the passage of ascaris worms in the vomitus or stool and was supported by ultrasonography. All three patients were treated successfully using anthelmintics. One patient underwent exploratory laparotomy.

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