December 1998 (Volume 39, Number 4) Presentation of Intestinal Malrotation Syndromes in Older Children and Adults: Report of Three Cases

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Malrotation syndromes are typically presented during the first few months of life but may sometimes appear later in life, causing difficulties and mistakes in diagnosis. We had 40 cases of malrotation, 3 of them with atypical and delayed presentation. Two of the three cases had a history of abdominal disorders that lasted for several years. Severe dehydration was a significant symptom in one of them. Diagnosis was delayed because respective symptoms were not adequately considered in older children and adults.

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