

Mistakes in dyspepsia and how to avoid them

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Dyspepsia is upper abdominal discomfort with diverse causes including functional dyspepsia, GORD, peptic ulcer disease, and malignancy, and its management is challenging due to broad definition, lack of specific treatments, and psychosocial factors.

KEY POINTS

- Dyspepsia presents with epigastric pain, bloating, early satiety, belching, nausea, and heartburn arising from the upper gastrointestinal tract.
- Common causes include functional dyspepsia, gastro-oesophageal reflux disease, peptic ulcer disease, and malignancy.
- Endoscopy is not always necessary for diagnosis, and clinical guidelines recommend considering clinical presentation without alarm symptoms.
- Management challenges include the broad definition of dyspepsia, lack of specific treatments, and psychosocial issues.
- The material addresses 10 common mistakes in diagnosis and treatment, relevant for clinicians managing dyspepsia.

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