

Watermelon Stomach Seen by Wireless-Capsule Endoscopy

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Figure 1 A 51-year-old man with iron-deficiency anemia underwent an upper digestive endoscopy which revealed a watermelon stomach, i.e. linear red streaks running longitudinally in the gastric antrum.



Figure 2 To evaluate concomitant sources of bleeding, ileocolonoscopy and wireless-capsule endoscopy were performed. Ileocolonoscopy showed normal findings. Capsule endoscopy showed linear red streaks in the stomach running longitudinally in the gastric antrum, as was expected; in the jejunum there were two small angiodysplasias. This is the first image of a watermelon stomach seen by wireless-capsule endoscopy. All the red streaks were coagulated using argon plasma, in a single session.