

SURGICAL PHOTO QUIZ

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Patient sustained motor car accident that resulted in this anorectoperineal injury. In your opinion, the proper management at this stage is (Choose the best answer)

1. Debridement, leave wound open to heal by secondary intention
2. Debridement, immediate repair, leave wound open to heal by secondary intention
3. Debridement, leave wound open to heal by secondary intention, colostomy
4. Debridement, immediate repair, leave wound open to heal by secondary intention, colostomy
5. None of the above (what management do you suggest?)

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The correct answer and a short comment on the condition will be presented in the next issue of the journal.

The correct answer for previous Photo Quiz (Vol 25, No 4, Oct., 2006)

The correct answer is: Hirschsprung's disease

The key point of the diagnosis in this patient is the history of constipation dating since birth. Patients with Hirschsprung's disease typically give history of delayed passage of meconium. Moreover, the severe abdominal distension and the underdevelopment of the patient that are evident in the photograph imply severe and long standing constipation. All types of acquired constipation would not give history dating since birth. Anorectal agenesis, although a congenital disease, yet it requires early interference immediately after birth with one stage, or more commonly staged operation.

