

Parkinson's disease

Gastrointestinal dysfunction

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Mouth

Pooling of saliva and problems with movements needed to brush teeth can cause dental dysfunction. Motor effects cause jaw tremors.

Oesophagus

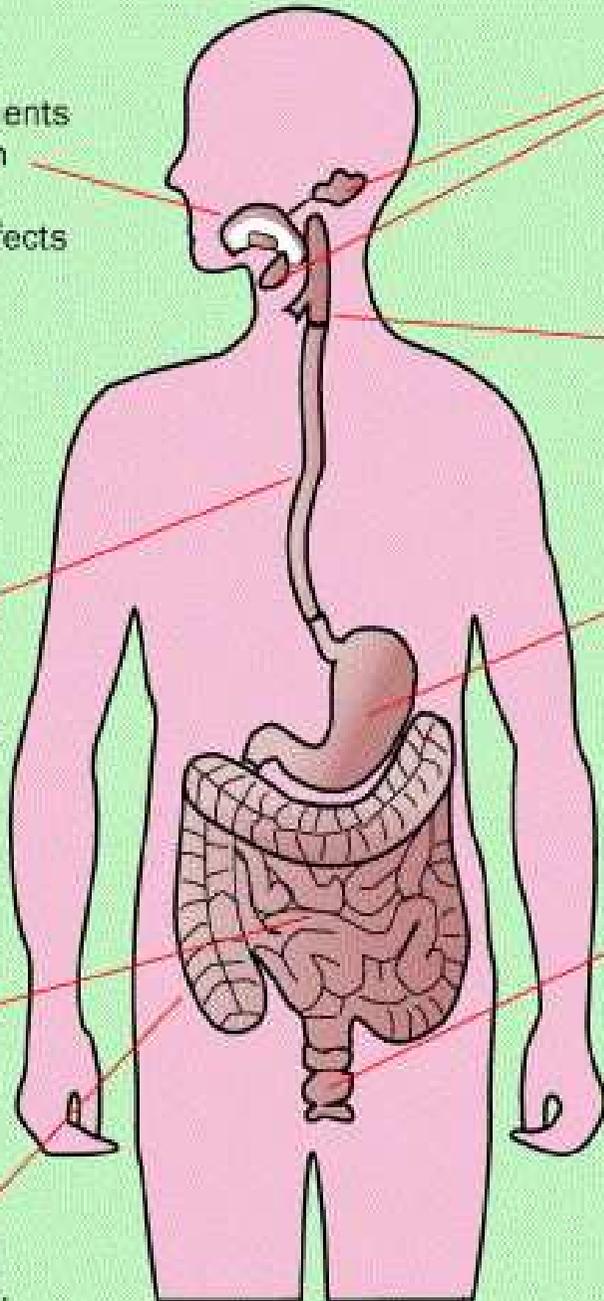
Symptoms of oesophageal dysphagia include slow oesophageal transit, segmental oesophageal spasm, spontaneous contractions of proximal oesophagus, air trapping, aperistalsis, and gastro-oesophageal reflux

Small intestine

Dilatation

Colon

Colonic dysmotility, constipation, megacolon, volvulus, and bowel perforation.



Salivary glands

Reduced saliva production, but low swallowing frequency causes drooling.

Pharynx

Oropharyngeal dysphagia increases risk of aspiration.

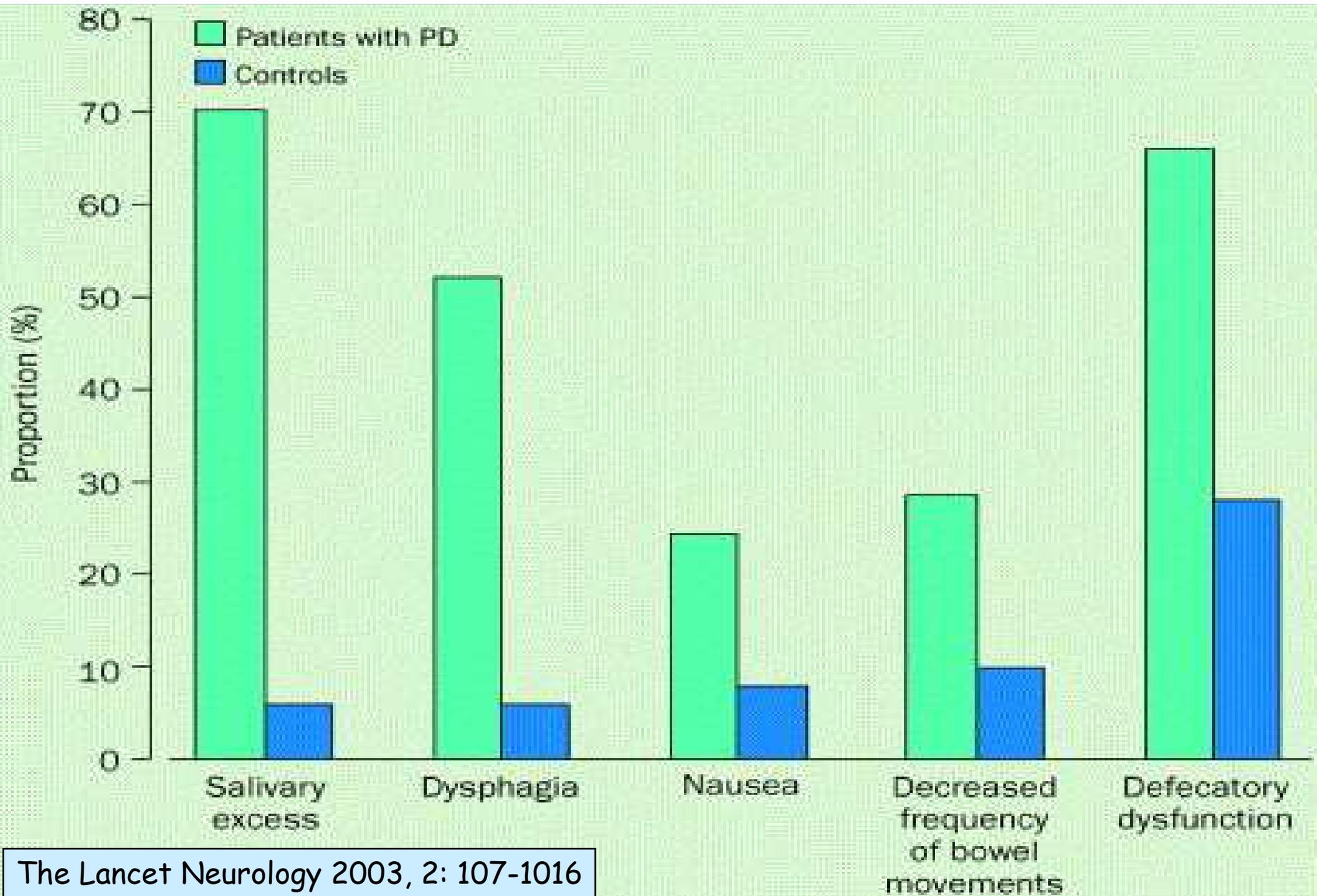
Stomach

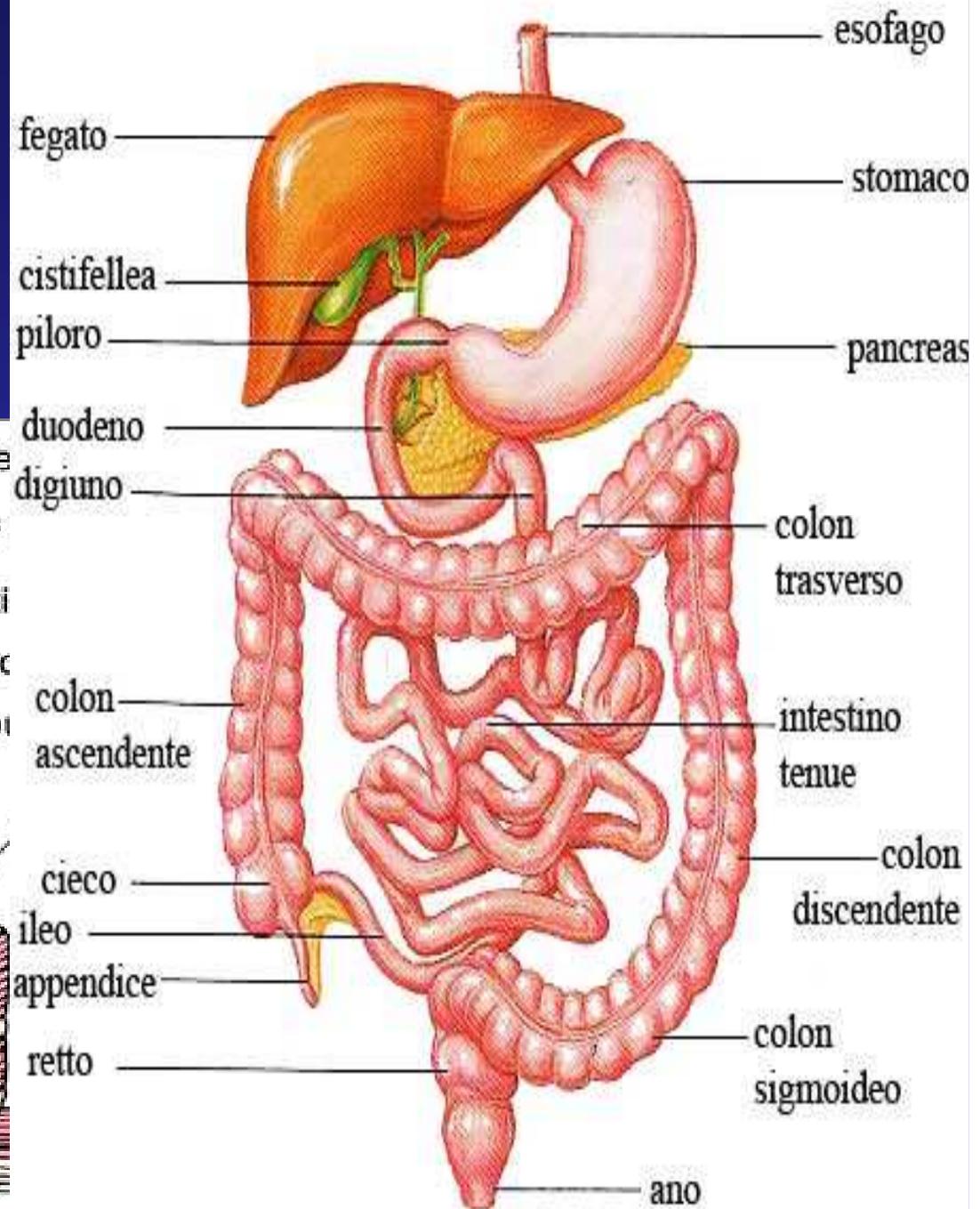
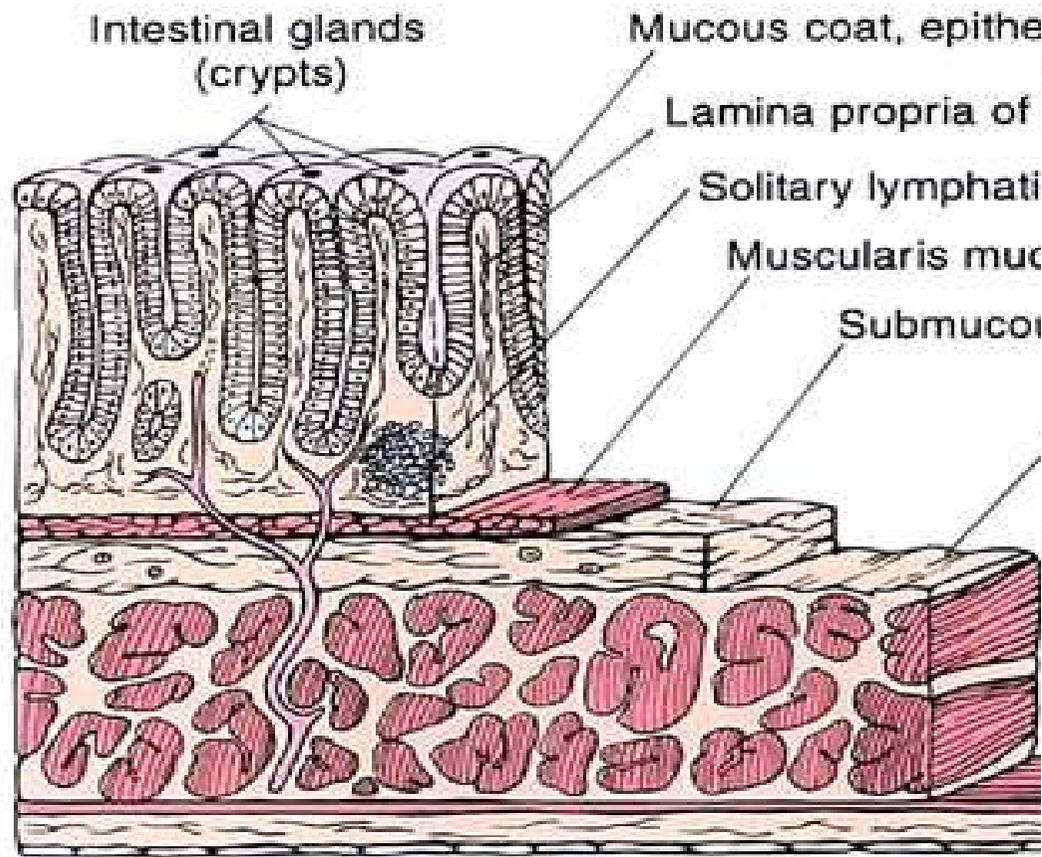
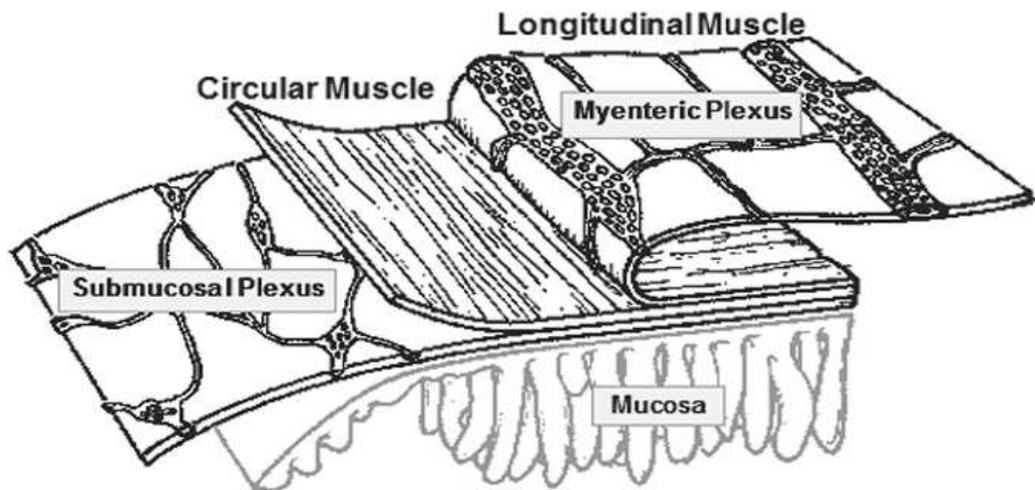
Impaired gastric emptying (gastroparesis) cause nausea, bloating, early satiety, and weight loss.

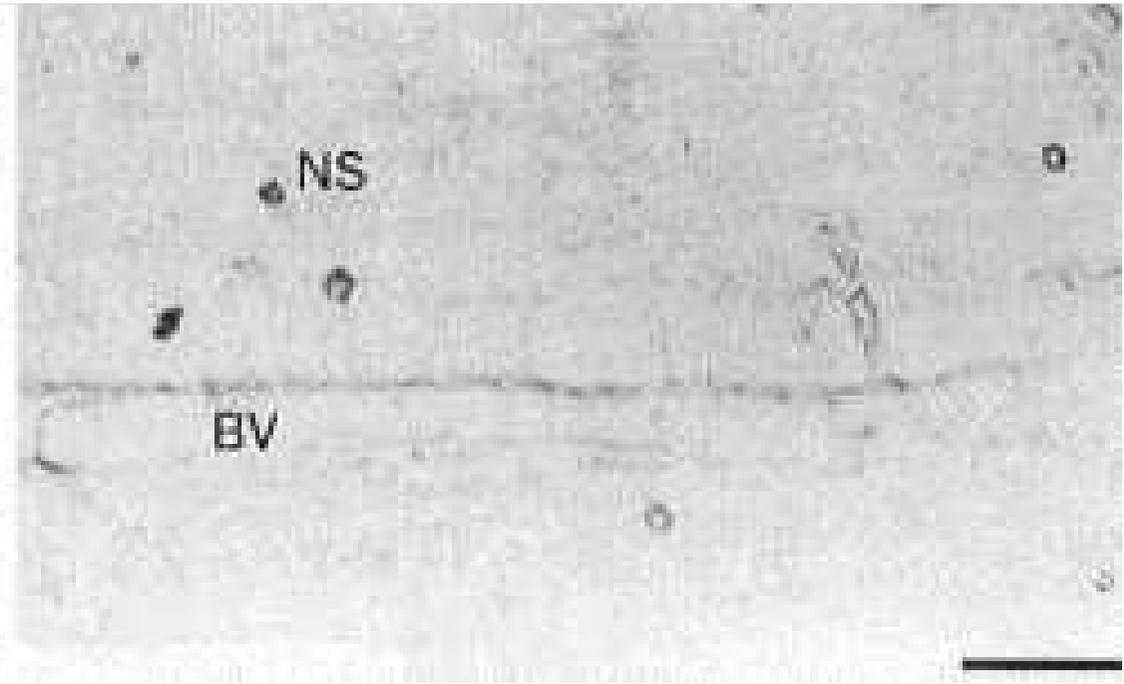
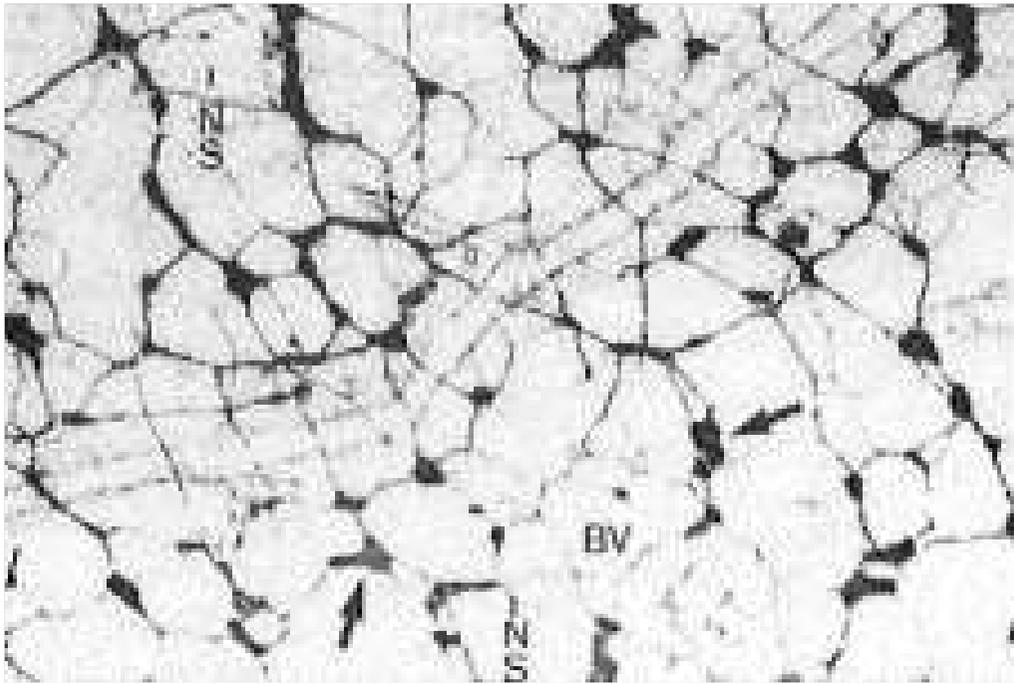
Rectum

Anorectal dysfunction leads to difficulty with defecation

The Lancet Neurology
2003, 2: 107-1016







Left: Immunostaining for dopamine in whole mount of colon from control individual.

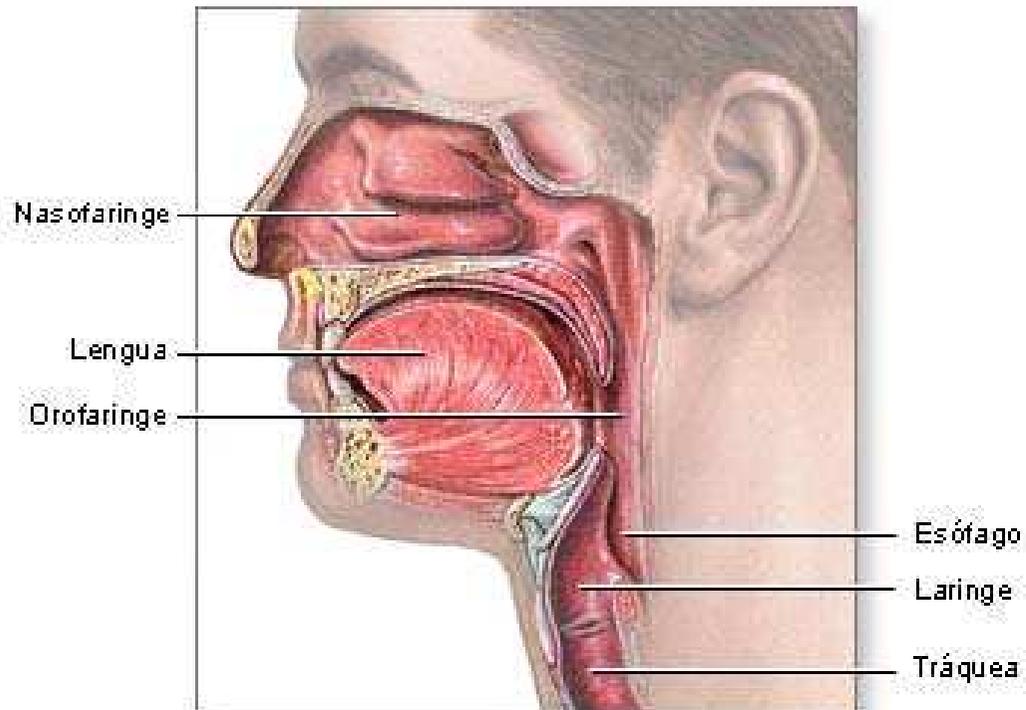
Right: Immunostaining for dopamine in whole mount of colon from patients with PD.

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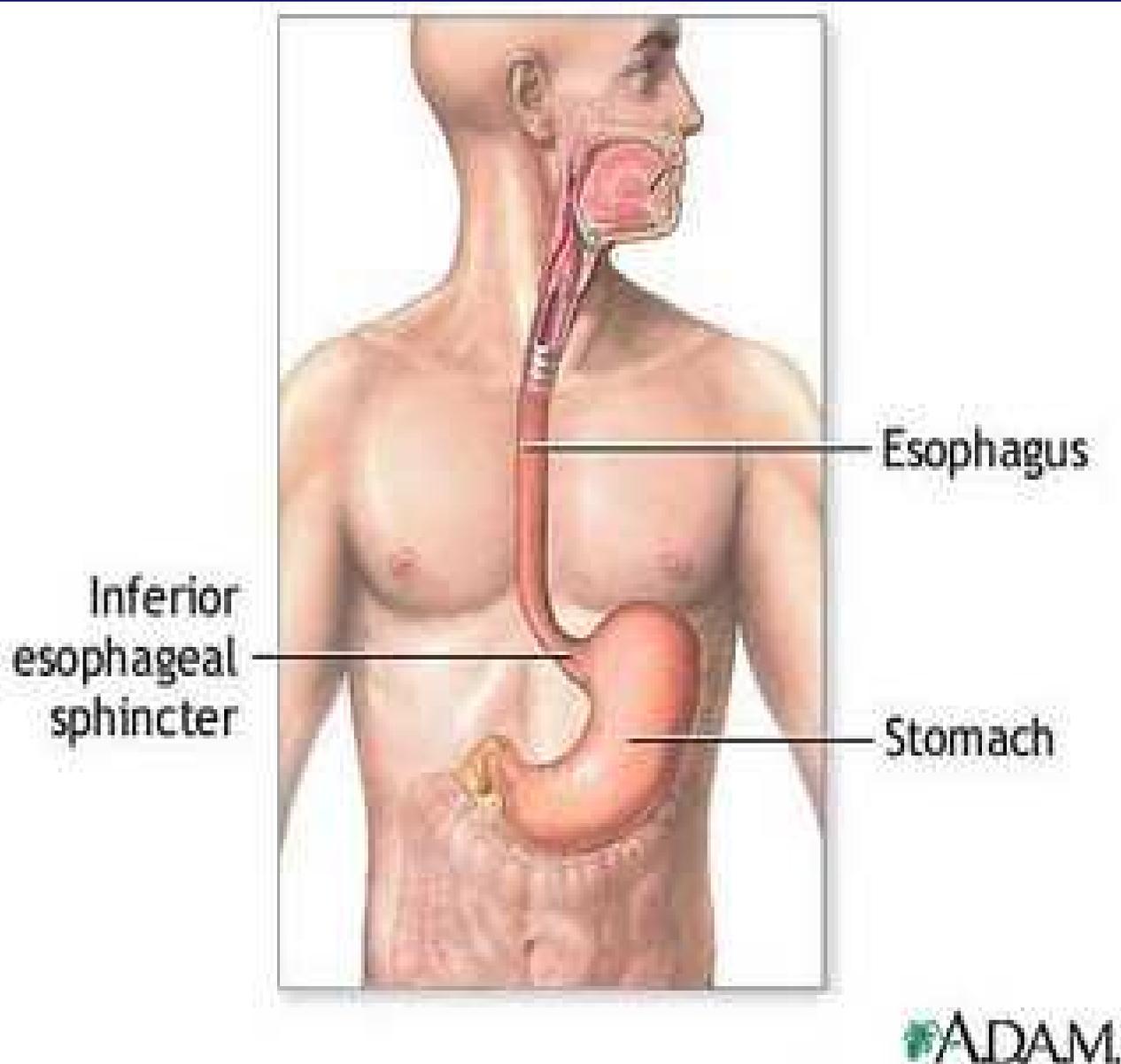
Ipersalivazione



ADAM.

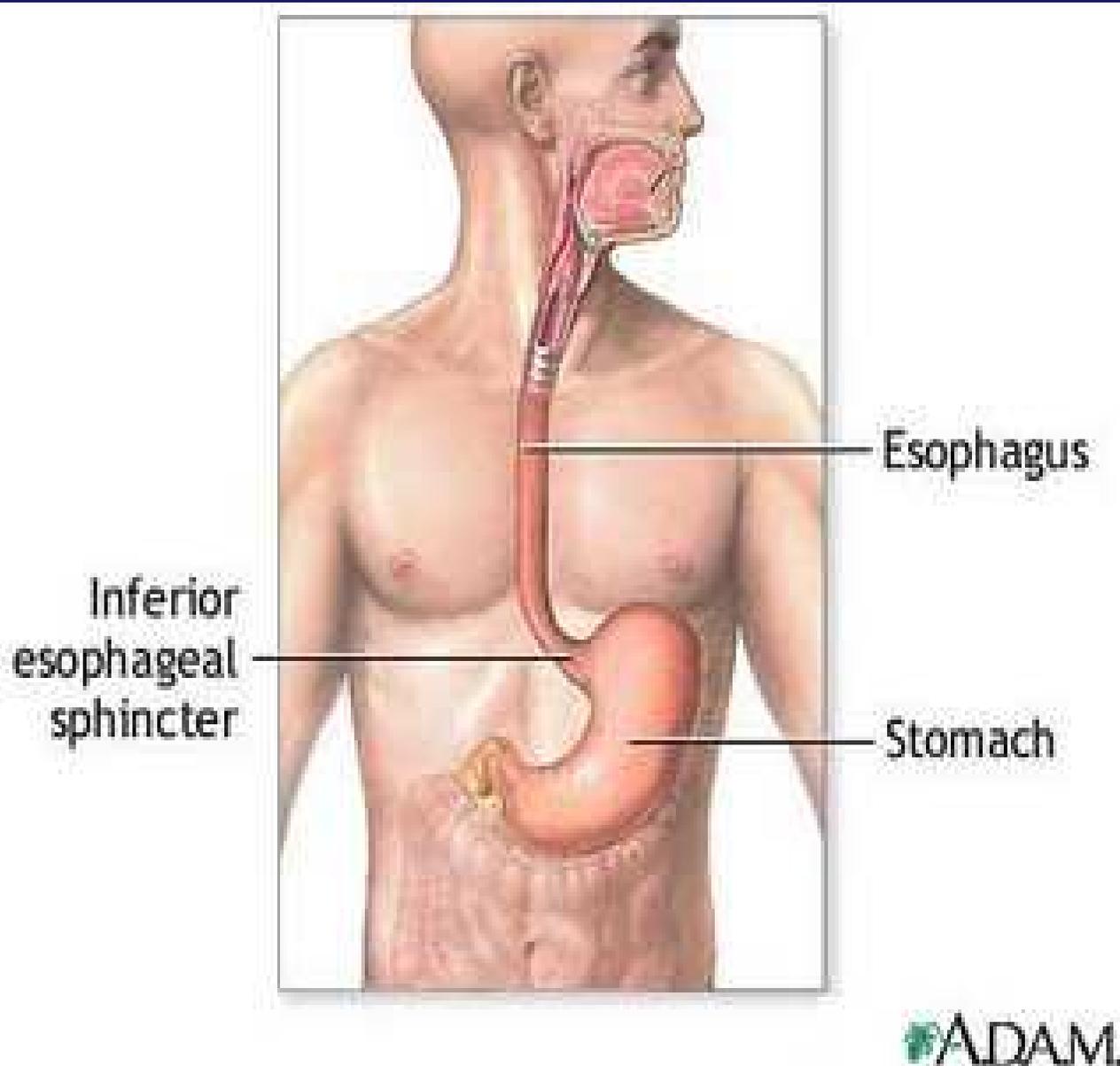
- Interessa il 70-80% dei pz
- Ridotta efficienza della deglutizione
- Sintomi:
 - Drooling
- Trattamenti:
 - Chewing gum.
 - Fisioterapia
 - Anticolinergici (effetti collaterali)
 - Atropina o ipratropium spray
 - Iniezioni di tossina botulinica

Disfagia



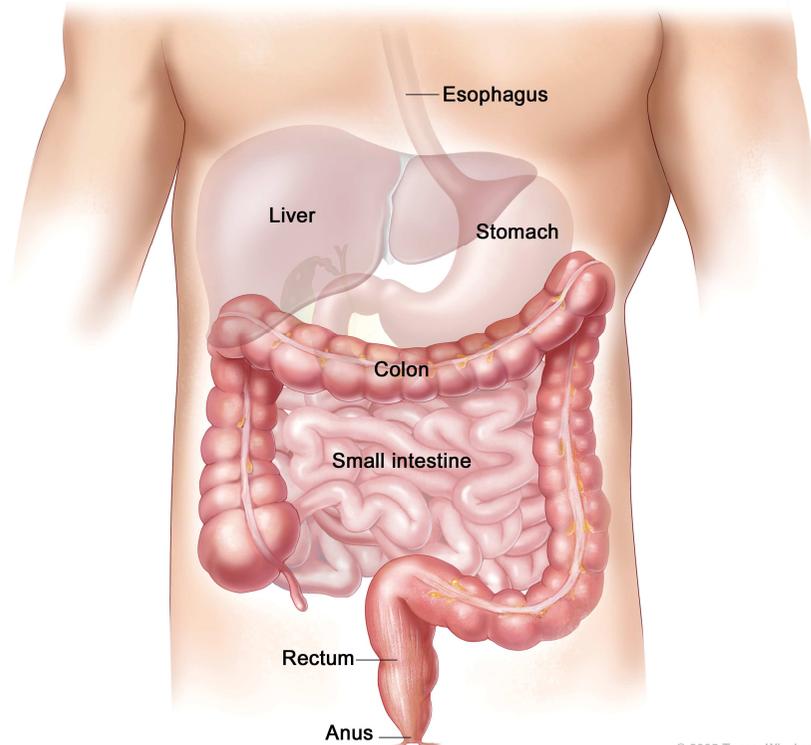
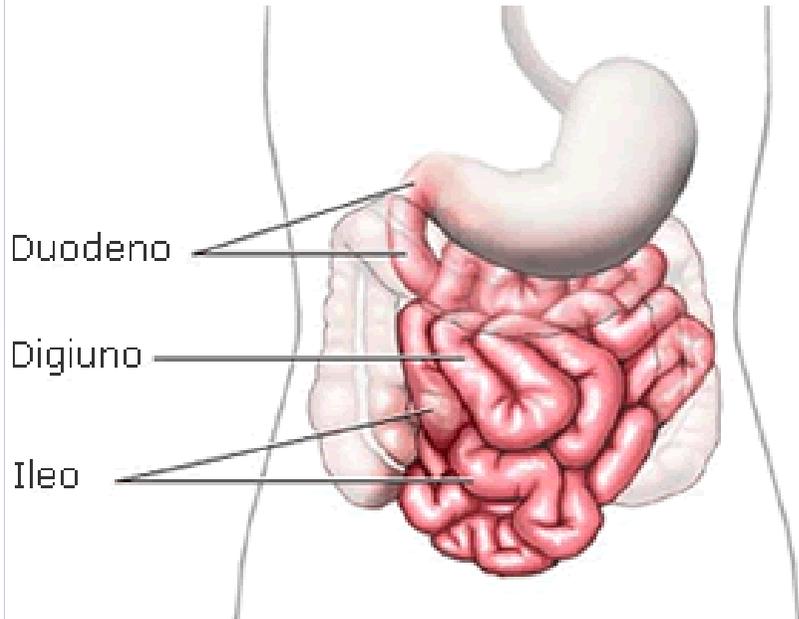
- **Disfagia orofaringea:**
 - 30-80% dei pz.
 - Entro un anno dall'esordio del MP
 - Bradicinesia, tremori e dismotilità del faringe.
 - Aspirazione nel 15-50% pz.
 - Videofluoroscopia
- **Disfunzioni dell'esofago:**
 - 60-70% dei pz
 - manometria esofagea.
- **Terapia:**
 - dopaminergici,
 - tecniche fisiatriche
 - tossina botulinica cricofaringea
 - miotomia chirurgica del cricofaringeo
 - PEG

Rallentato svuotamento gastrico



- Nausea 16% dei pz
- Gonfiore epigastrico 43% dei pz
- Deficit dello svuotamento gastrico e gastroparesi
- Alterato assorbimento della Levodopa
- Breath test all'acido octanoico
- Terapia:
 - Domperidone
 - Agonisti serotoninergici (cisapride, tegaserod, mosapride)
 - Eritromicina
 - Tossina botulinica nel piloro

Stitichezza 1/2



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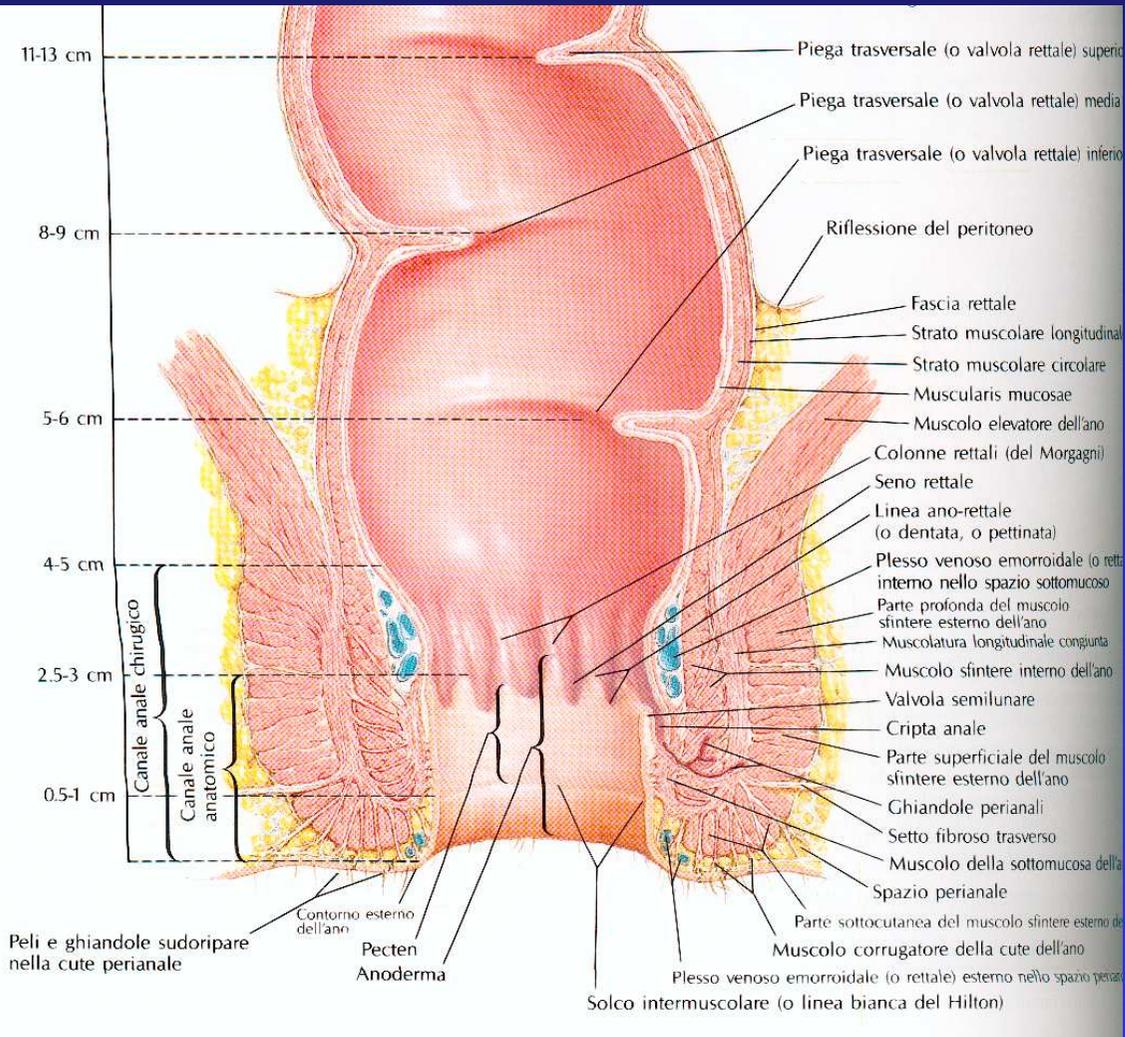
- **Meno di 3 evacuazioni a settimana**
- **Interessa il 70-89% dei pz.**
- **2-4 volte più frequente rispetto alla popolazione**
- **Talvolta precede di anni il MP**
- **Può presentarsi con megacolon, pseudoostruzione e volvolo.**
- **Correla con la gravità della malattia**

Stitichezza 2/2



- Causata da una ridotta motilità del colon
- Rallentato transito colico nell'80% dei pz
- Effetti collaterale della terapia antiparkinsoniana ? (effetti anticolinergici)
- Diagnosi:
 - Colonscopia
 - Studio dei tempi di transito
- Terapia:
 - Aumento uso di fibre e acqua
 - Integratori a base di fibre(psyllium, cellulosa)
 - Lassativi osmotici (macrogol)

Evacuazione difficoltosa



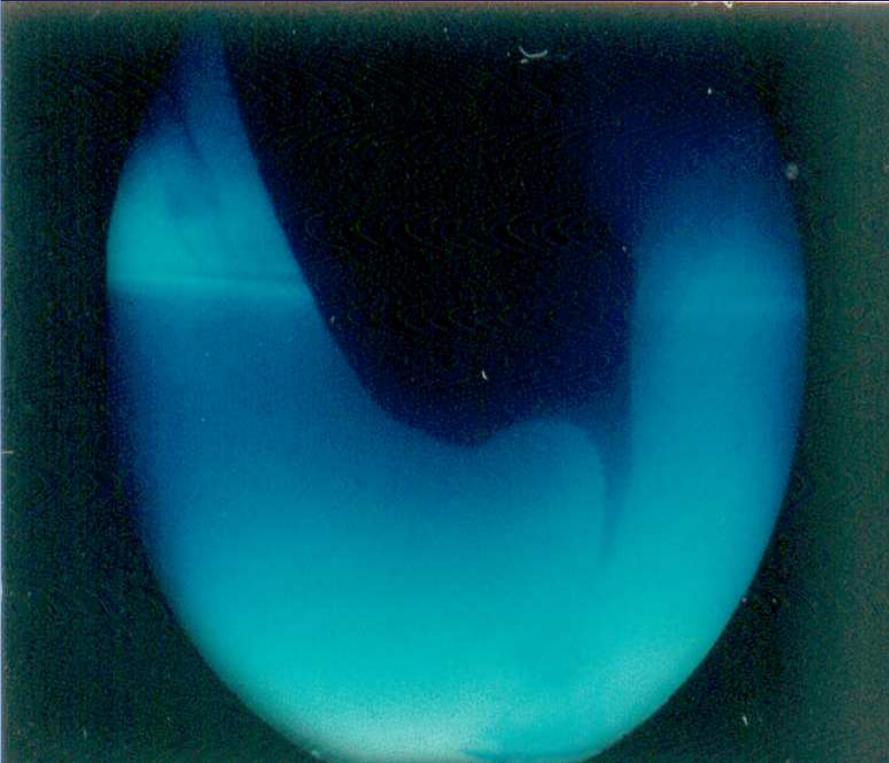
Contrazione paradossa dei muscoli volontari

2/3 dei pz con MP

Eccessiva spinta evacuativa, evacuazione incompleta e dolore

Diagnosi

Defecografia



Terapia

- Biofeedback ?
- Iniezioni di tossina botulinica

Manometria A-R

