

Protein losing enteropathy

- Excessive loss of protein into the gut lumen
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Causing Hypoproteinaemia

Causes:

- 1) With mucosal erosion or ulceration
 - Crohn's disease
 - Ulcerative colitis
 - Oesophageal, gastric, Colonic cancer
 - Radiation damage
 - Lymphoma
- ii) Without mucosal erosion or ulceration
 - Menetrier's disease
 - Celiac disease
 - Tropical sprue
 - Blind loop syndrome
 - Eosinophilic Gastroenteritis
 - SLE
- 3) With Lymphatic obstruction
 - Whipple's disease
 - Lymphoma
 - Constrictive pericarditis

Symptoms

- Peripheral edema with hypoproteinaemia
- Normal liver function & No proteinuria
- ↓ Serum globulin & Albumin
- Test for underlying cause