

Question 8 – September 22

Which of the following pancreatic cystic lesions is most commonly diagnosed in middle age women in the body-tail region?

- A. Serous cystadenomas
- B. Mucinous cystic neoplasms
- C. Intraductal papillary mucinous neoplasms
- D. Solid pseudopapillary neoplasms

Answer: B

Mucinous cystic neoplasms have a predilection for women (F/M ratio 9:1) after age 40. Seventy-five % of those lesions are localized in the body-tail region of the pancreas.

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