



## Detection of **active colonic inflammation**

by magnetic resonance enterography, including diffusion-weighted imaging, in pediatric patients undergoing investigation for inflammatory bowel disease.

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# MRE vs endoscopic and pathologic inflammation



**21 patients (9-17 y) investigated for IBD**

**MRE within 6 w of colonoscopy**



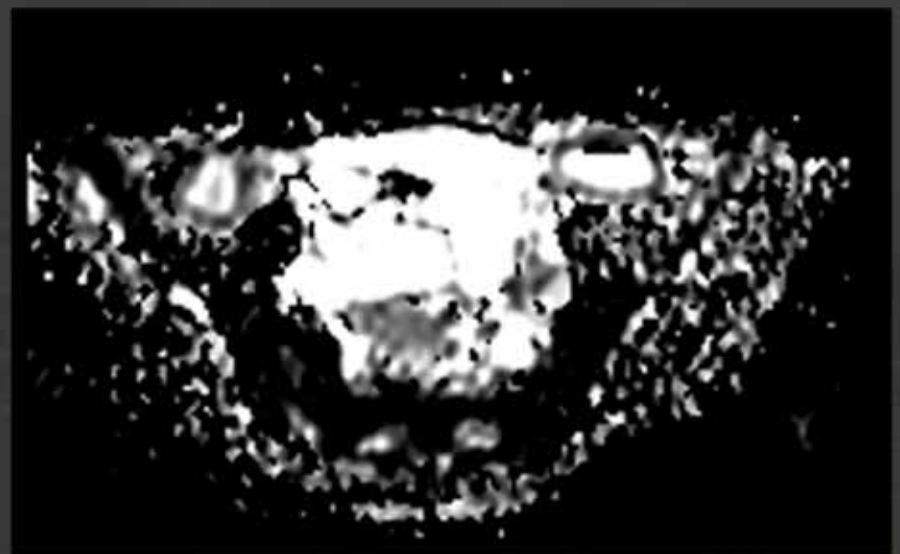
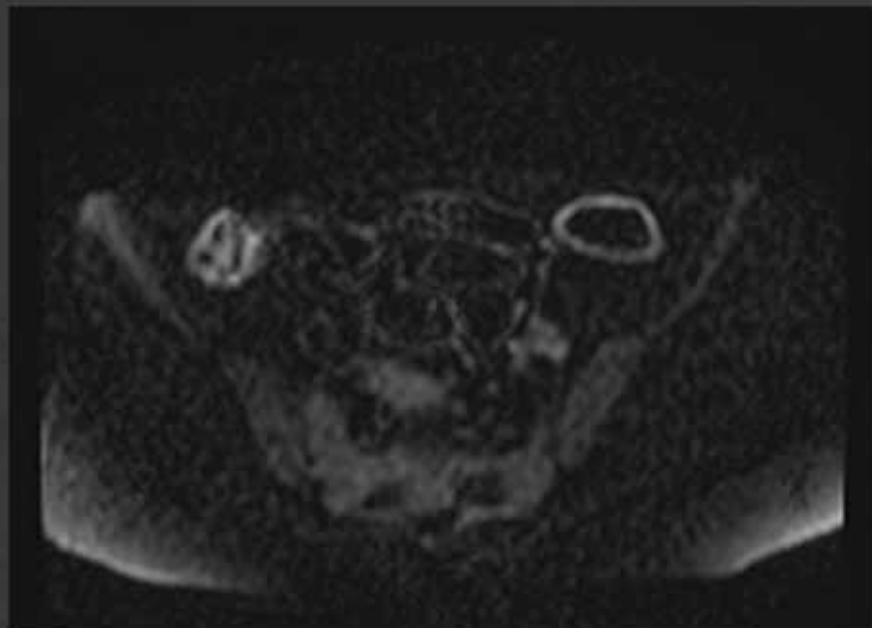
Colon divided into **six** segments

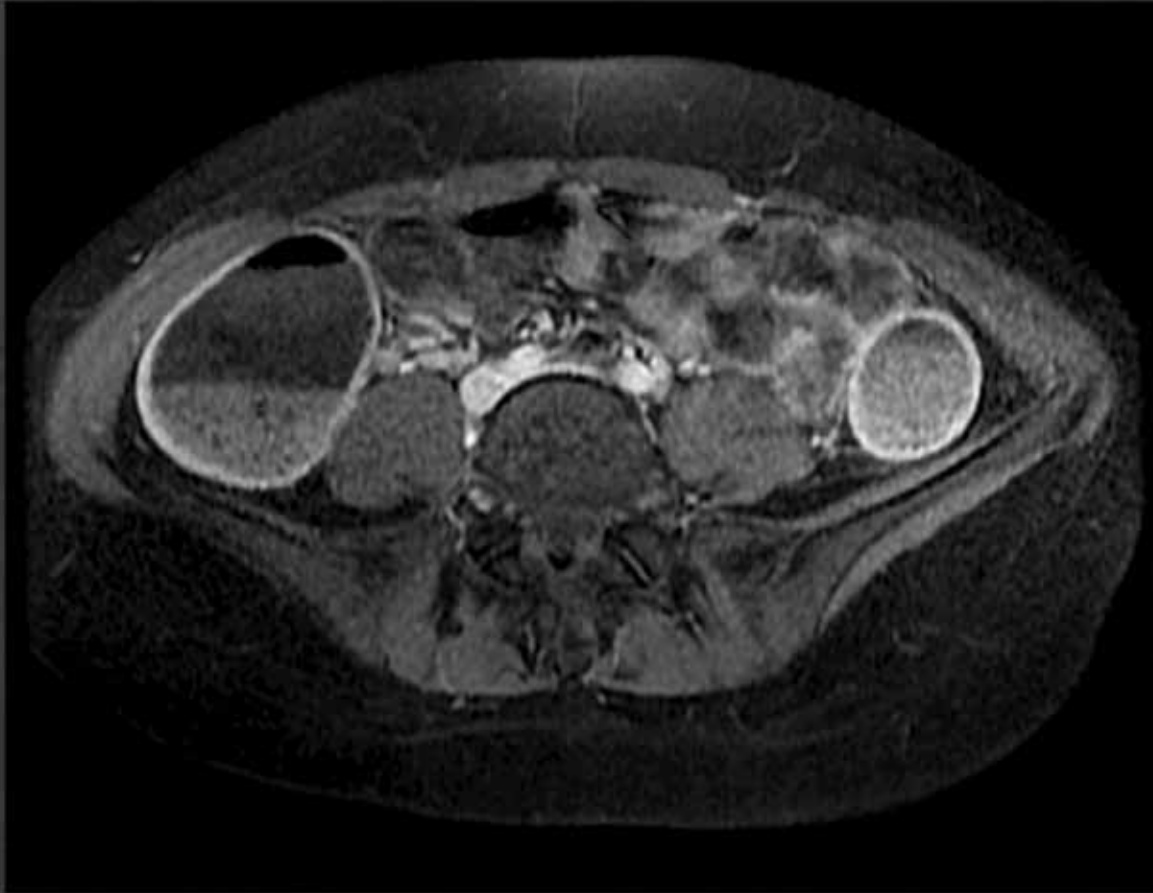
Presence of **diffusion restriction** and **enhancement** recorded  
for each segment



# MRE results compared to biopsy and endoscopic findings









**Diffusion Restriction**  
**Contrast Enhancement**

**Sn 77% Sp 82%**

**Sn 67% Sp 90%**

*when compared to biopsy*



**Diffusion Restriction**  
**Contrast Enhancement**

**Sn 67% Sp 77%**

**Sn 53% Sp 80%**

*when compared to endoscopy*



**Diffusion Restriction**  $\kappa$  0.57  
**Contrast Enhancement**  $\kappa$  0.59



Three recent studies evaluating **DWI** and **colonic inflammation**; no histopathology in two, no segmental subdivision in one



Findings **very similar** to Dillman et al (2011), reported by the segmental level, but with no differentiation between DWI and enhancement



**Lower** sensitivity and specificity than Sirin et al (2015), who reported on DWI, but did not divide by segmental level.



Small sample size (n = 21)  
Retrospective  
Up to 6 weeks between MRE and colonoscopy



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