

Case 17 – GOJ, Medium

Diagnosis – Achalasia

Achalasia should be suspected when there is dilatation of the oesophagus and hold up of contrast medium at the gastro-oesophageal junction, particularly if this persists for more than 5 minutes.

Warm water often provokes prompt relaxation of the gastro-oesophageal junction in true achalasia, but an OGD is used to confirm the diagnosis and/or attempt treatment.