

Possible Diagnosis

The patient has one of six diseases, listed below.

1. Nephrolithiasis
 - a. Characterized by abnormally high occurrence of stones in the kidneys
 - b. May disrupt any or all of kidney functions
2. Pancreatic carcinoma
 - a. A malignant cancer in the pancreas
 - b. May disrupt any and all of pancreatic functions
3. Hypocortisolism (Addison's disease)
 - a. Low production of cortisol or lack of effect of cortisol
 - b. Caused by trauma or damage to adrenal cortex
 - c. May cause significant overcompensation by hormones which regulate cortisol because of a lack of feedback inhibition
4. Hypercortisolism (Cushing's disease)
 - a. High production of cortisol
 - b. Caused by tumors or over-activity of any glands involved in cortisol biosynthesis
5. Type 1 Diabetes
 - a. Insulin deficiency
 - b. Usually inherited but may present at any age
6. Acromegaly
 - a. Over-exposure to human growth hormone
 - b. Characterized in adults by thickening of skull and pelvis