



Diagnostics of Inflammatory Bowel Disease

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The diagnosis of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) with Crohn's disease (CD) and ulcerative colitis (UC) is based on clinical, endoscopic, radiologic, and histologic criteria. Although the characteristics of CD and UC differ, accurate diagnosis of IBD is sometimes difficult.

The new technologies have improved the identification of biomarkers and genetic susceptibilities in IBD. They help to avoid endoscopic and imaging examinations and to detect early disease or predict the individual course of disease.

Therefore, establishing the diagnostic algorithms of IBD in biomarkers of serums, feces, tissues, gut microbiota, and genetic susceptibility factors is important.





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