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## Case report:

### Osseous metaplasia in a tubular adenoma of the colon

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## Osseous metaplasia in colonic adenomas

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Dear Editor,

We read with interest the recent report of osseous metaplasia in a tubular adenoma of the colon by Al-Daraji et al. [1]. In 1996, one of us reported the same phenomenon in a 1 cm tubulovillous adenoma 25 cm from the anus [2]. Since our paper (not cited by Al-Daraji et al. [1]), we had the opportunity to see a second example of osseous metaplasia in a 2.6 cm tubulovillous adenoma with moderate dysplasia, removed endoscopically from the descending colon in a 53-year-old woman. In intestinal polyps, metaplastic ossification is a rare morphologic curiosity which may occur not only in adenomas [1-7], but also in juvenile [4,5], Peutz-Jeghers [8] and inflammatory polyps [9].

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