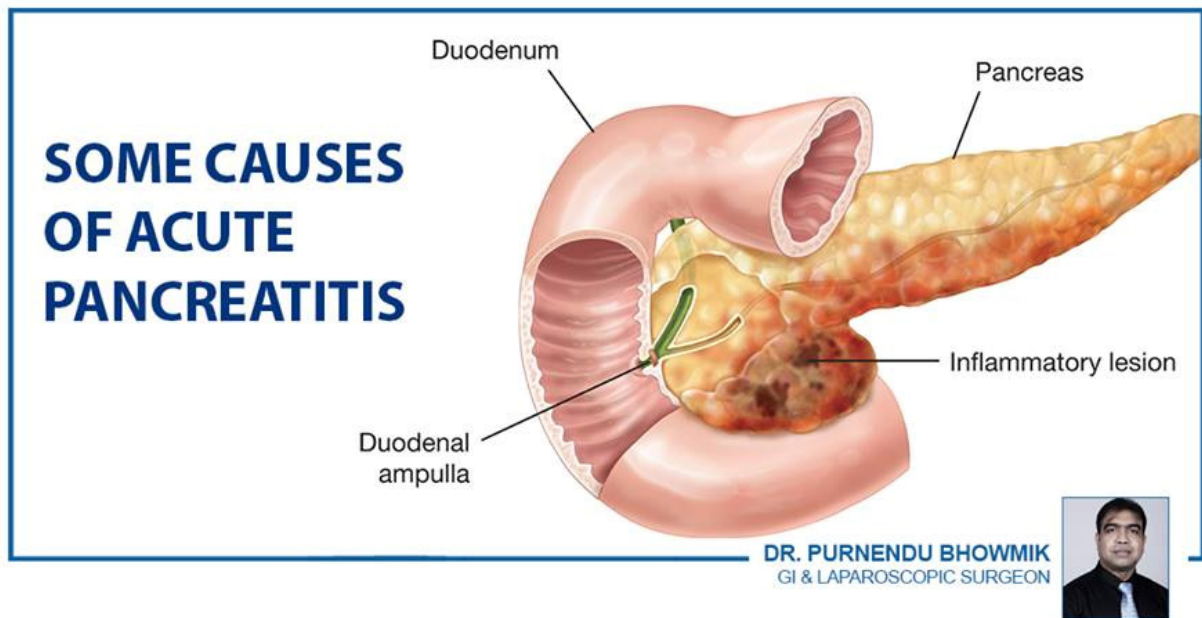


Some Causes of Acute Pancreatitis:



- 1) Gallstones
- 2) Heavy Alcohol use
- 3) Drugs such as angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) Inhibitors, Azathioprine, Furosemide, 6-Mercaptopurine, Pentamidine, Sulfa Drugs, and Valproate
- 4) Estrogen use in women with high levels of lipids in the blood
- 5) High levels of calcium in the blood (which may be caused by hyperparathyroidism)
- 6) Viruses such as Mumps, Coxsackie B Virus, and Cytomegalovirus
- 7) High levels of triglycerides in the blood (Hypertriglyceridemia)
- 8) Damage to the pancreas caused by surgery or Endoscopy (such as Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatography [ERCP])
- 9) Damage to the Pancreas caused by blunt or penetrating injuries
- 10) Cancer of the Pancreas, or other blockages of the Pancreatic duct
- 11) Hereditary Pancreatitis, including a small percentage of people with cystic fibrosis or cystic fibrosis genes

12) Cigarette Smoking

13) Kidney Transplantation

14) Pregnancy (rare)

15) Tropical Pancreatitis