Table 1. ABC risk classification.

	Нр-	Hp+
PG-	A	В
PG+	(C

Hp: Helicobacter pylori antibody test; PG: pepsinogen test

Serum *Helicobacter pylori* (Hp) antibody titers and pepsinogen (PG) levels are measured, and the results are classified into 3 groups: Group A, Hp-negative, PG-negative; Group B, Hp-positive, PG-negative; and Group C, PG-positive. Patients in Group C who are Hp-negative are sometimes classified as Group D, but because of the low frequency of D-group results, this is usually included within Group C

Table 2. Background mucosal findings in Group A (A-1 group) and non-A groups.

Parameter	Gro	up A (A-1, n = 207)	Non-A groups (n = 98 - parameter $1,4$) *		
1. Fold distribution (4 zones)**	Mean	3.60 ± 0.65	Mean	2.10 ± 0.94	
2. Fold thickness (mm)**	Mean	2.94 ± 0.64	Mean	4.61 ± 1.30	
3. Fold characteristics***	Regular	169 (81.6%)	Regular	9 (9.7%)	
	Intermed	iate 32 (15.5%)	Intermedi	ate 27 (29.0%)	
	Irregular	6 (2.9%)	Irregular	57 (61.3%)	
4. Area gastricae***	Antrum	Smooth 178 (86.0%)	Antrum	Smooth 7 (7.1%)	
_		Intermediate 2 (1.0%)		Intermediate 6 (6.1%)	
		Coarse 27 (13.0%)		Coarse 85 (86.7%)	
	Corpus	Smooth 188 (88.4%)	Corpus	Smooth 13 (13.3%)	
	•	Intermediate 1 (0.5%)	•	Intermediate 11 (11.2 %)	
		Coarse 18 (8.7%)		Coarse 74 (75.5%)	

^{*:} n=93 cases - parameter 2, 3. 5 cases were excluded due to undetectable folds.

: Mann-Whitney test p <0.001; *: Cochran-Armitage test p <0.001

Table 3. Multivariate analysis of Group A (A-1, n = 207) vs. non-A groups (n = 93).

Parameter	Odds ratio	Risk factor
Fold distribution	17.72 (6.10-51.45)	0-2 zones
Fold thickness	10.63 (3.68-30.66)	≥3.9 mm
Fold characteristics	6.10 (1.71-21.73)	Irregular
Area gastricae	10.62 (3.80-29.68)	Coarse

For any 2 positive factors: sensitivity, 90.3%; specificity, 94.7%; accuracy, 93.3%; PPV, 88.4%; and NPV, 95.6%

Table 4. Serum assessment (ABC) and radiological findings in Group A-2.

Age/sex	Hp anti	PG	I	PG	II	PG	Fold	dist	Fold	Fold	Area
	titer	(ng/mL))	(ng/n	nL)	I/II	(no.	of	thickness	characteristics	gastricae
	(U/mL)						zone	s*)	(mm)		
56M	3.0	48.2		10.2		4.7	4		3.2	Intermediate	Smooth
41M	3.0	55.7		8.2		6.8	4		3	Regular	Smooth
40M	3.2	50.3		11.3		4.5	2		3.8	Irregular	Coarse
63M	3.2	41.4		7.9		5.3	2		4.9	Irregular	Coarse
50F	3.3	21.4		4.7		4.6	2		2.2	Regular	Coarse
54M	3.3	45.6		9.3		4.9	2		6.1	Irregular	Intermediate
63M	3.4	57		10.1		5.6	2		4.1	Intermediate	Smooth
52F	4.2	40.1		7.9		5.1	2		3.2	Regular	Coarse
63M	5.4	46.4		7.4		6.3	1		4.9	Intermediate	Intermediate
51F	6.2	72.5		17.9		4.1	4		3.6	Intermediate	Smooth
54M	9.1	97.3		52.9		1.8	2		7.2	Irregular	Intermediate
61M	9.5	38.5		11.2		3.5	1		4.9	Irregular	Coarse
51M	9.8	77.6		25.4		3.1	2		5.6	Irregular	Coarse

Hp anti: Helicobacter pylori antibody; PG: pepsinogen; Fold dist., fold distribution

^{*:} Four divided zones of the gastric corpus on frontal view with double-contrast study (Fig. 1)

Table 5. Serum assessment (ABC) and radiological findings in Group A-1 participants who were risk factor-positive.

Age/	Fold dist.	Fold	Fold	Area	Comments /	Comments / area
sex	(No. of	thickness	characteristics	gastricae	folds	gastricae
	zones*)	(mm)				
37F	4	2.8	Irregular	Coarse	Insufficient air	Reticular pattern
					volume	
37F	4	2.8	Irregular	Coarse	Insufficient air	
					volume	
48F	2	3.0	Regular	Coarse	Hyperextension	Reticular pattern
52F	2	2.3	Regular	Coarse	Hyperextension	Reticular pattern
48F	2	2.8	Regular	Coarse	Hyperextension	Reticular pattern
44M	3	3.2	Irregular	Coarse	Insufficient air	Reticular pattern
					volume	
38M	2	4.2	Regular	Smooth		
34F	4	3.9	Indeterminate	Coarse		
50M	4	5.2	Irregular	Coarse		
59M	4	4.2	Indeterminate	Coarse		
46M	4	4.9	Irregular	Coarse		

Fold dist., fold distribution

^{*:} Four divided zones of the gastric corpus on frontal view with double-contrast study (Fig. 1)