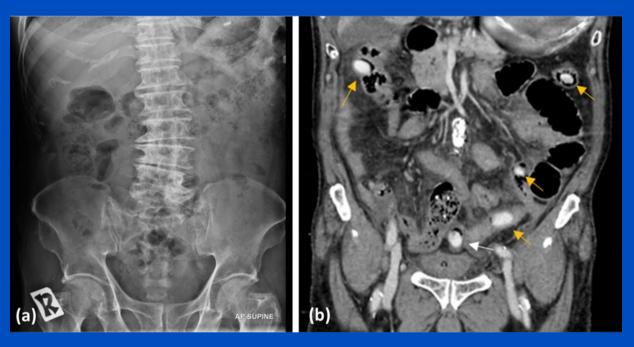


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Figure 1

A partial edentulous 77-year-old Malay man was seen at the Accident and Emergency Department with generalized abdominal pain, loss of appetite but no vomiting. He reported absence of bowel movement for one day but was still passing flatus. He has been consuming a large quantity of sentul fruits in the days prior. Clinically, he appeared toxic with a heart rate of 110 beat per min, low grade fever, the abdomen was tender and guarded suggestive of peritonitis. The white blood cell count was 11.1×10^9 /L with neutrophilia, and the C-reactive protein was elevated. An abdominal radiograph showed normal bowel gas distribution, with no bowel dilatation or pneumoperitoneum (Figure 1a). A CT scan of the abdomen showed multiple sharp oval-shaped hyperdense foreign bodies. (Figure 1b, yellow arrows).

What is the diagnosis?

Answer: refer to page 7

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