

NTP Nonneoplastic Lesion Atlas

Ureter – Dilation

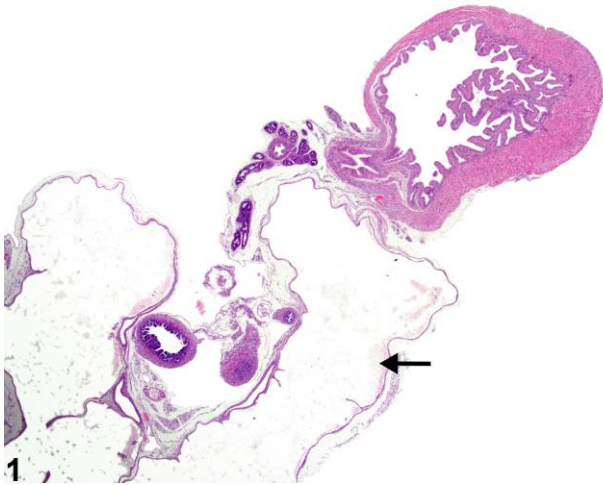
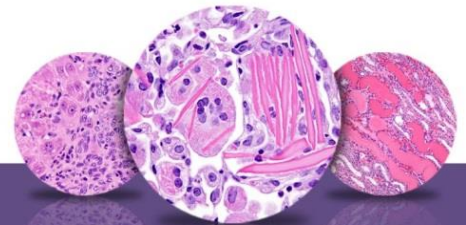


Figure Legend: **Figure 1** Greatly dilated ureter (arrow) of probable familial origin from a male mouse.

Comment: **Dilation of the ureter** (synonym: hydroureter) is most commonly associated with cases of obstruction. Often it can be seen grossly with dilation of the urinary bladder and renal pelvis. It can be either unilateral or bilateral (Figure 1). In rats, congenital cases are more prevalent on the right side. A strain of mouse (NON/Shi) and a strain of rat (SD/cShi) have been developed that have spontaneous hydroureter and hydronephrosis and can be induced to develop proliferative lesions of the renal pelvic urothelium.

Recommendation: Dilation of the ureter should be diagnosed and assigned a severity grade. If ureter dilation is treatment related, the study pathologist should describe whether the lesion is unilateral or bilateral.



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