

Mesentery: A new organ in the human body

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The organ that was previously thought to be fragmented structures of the human digestive system is recently entitled to be mesentery. This organ was hiding under plain sight but it is now realised that it is a simple continuous organ after the discovery made by J Calvin Coffey. The organ is basically a double fold of peritoneum lining of the abdominal cavity that holds the intestines intact with the abdominal wall. The anatomy and structure of mesentery have been studied well, but its function is still not understood completely. The intense study on its function would help in understanding and treating abdominal and digestive disease. The mesentery organ is taught as a distinct organ to the current medical students nowadays. Even Gray's Anatomy, which is the most famous medical book in the world has been updated with the definition of this organ. Medical students are trying to learn more about this organ to analyse its functions paving the way to understand abdominal diseases and their treatments. Along with mesentery, there are 79 organs now in the human body in contrary to the previously known 5 organs. Along with the heart, lungs, brain, kidney and liver, 74 more organs are playing a vital role in keeping us healthy. Approach to mesentery like every other organ would bring a whole new area of science in the future.

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