

**CODE:** T6700 M4641/2

**ID NOS:** H90963; 21978

**DIAGNOSIS:** SIGMOID COLON – DIVERTICULAR DISEASE

**CLINICAL HISTORY:** M/72. This elderly man had complained of increasing pain in the left iliac fossa for a year or so. When examined, an ill defined mass was palpable in that region. Sigmoid colectomy was performed.

**MACROSCOPIC:** Protruding from the outer wall of the sigmoid colon are a number of almost spherical sacs. Some of these diverticula are adherent to one another and their walls are congested. On the reverse side, two rows of slit like ostia are seen.

**MICROSCOPIC:** In this particular section there is no evidence of inflammation but the wall of the diverticulum can be seen to consist of a thin mucosal lining and an outer coat of greatly attenuated muscle layer.

