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- A mesenteric haematoma can follow abdominal compression in trauma (e.g. seat-belt syndrome) or during abdominal surgery , when the mesentery must be manipulated. The mesenteric stroma is mainly adipose and thus easily damaged. It bleeds readily if disrupted. A haematoma may form and quickly enlarge to compress mesenteric veins. Mesenteric haematoma can sometimes occur during surgery for Crohn's disease.

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