

40. A 35-year-old woman, who is currently breast-feeding her firstborn child, develops an erythematous and inflamed fluctuant area on breast examination. All of the following statements are true concerning her diagnosis and management except

- A. The most common organism which would expect to be cultured is *Staphylococcus aureus* ✓

- B. Open surgical drainage is likely indicated ✓

- C. Breast-feeding should be absolutely discontinued ✗

- D. If the inflammatory process does not completely respond, a biopsy may be indicated ✓

- E. Antibiotics are useful in treatment ✓

41. A 21-year-old woman presents with an asymptomatic breast mass. Which of the following statements is true concerning her diagnosis and treatment?

- A. Mammography will play an important role in diagnosing the lesion ✓

- B. Ultrasonography is often useful in the differential diagnosis of this lesion ✓

- C. The mass should always be excised ✗

- D. The lesion should be considered pre-malignant

- E. The mass will definitely disappear after the first pregnancy ✗

42. The most common hernia in females is:

- A. Femoral hernia ✓

- B. Direct inguinal hernia.

- C. Indirect inguinal hernia.

- D. Obturator hernia.

- E. Umbilical hernia.

43. A careful history is necessary in all patients being considered for inguinal hernia repair. Symptoms which deserve investigation and appropriate treatment prior to proceeding with inguinal hernia repair include all the following except:

- A. Chronic cough ✓

- B. Urinary hesitancy and straining ✓

- C. Chronic constipation ✗

- D. A specific episode of muscular straining with associated discomfort ✓

- E. History of long standing heavy smoking

