

Advanced Diagnostic Tests For Blood In Stool



Capsule endoscopy

The child will swallow a pill-sized wireless video camera, which will relay images to an external monitor.

A slender balloon over a thin endoscope is deflated or inflated to improve the visualization of the intestines.



Image: ResearchGate

Balloon enteroscopy



Colonoscopy

A flexible tube with a camera is inserted through the rectum to visualize bleeding in the colon.

A thin tube with a light and camera is inserted through the mouth to look for bleeding in the esophagus, stomach, and initial part of the small intestine.



Endoscopy

Reference

- 1 7 common causes of pediatric GI bleeding, plus treatment information; UT Southwestern Medical Center