



A Case of Ruptured Interstitial Ectopic Pregnancy

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Introduction

Ectopic pregnancy is one in which the fertilized ovum is implanted and develops outside the normal endometrial cavity. Interstitial ectopic pregnancy is located outside the uterine cavity in the part of the fallopian tube that penetrates the muscular layers of the uterus. It is also known as cornual ectopic pregnancy. It is a rare type of ectopic pregnancy which accounts 2-4% of all the ectopic pregnancy. It's mortality rate is 6-7 times higher than other types of ectopic pregnancies.

The risk factors includes assisted reproductive techniques, previous tubal pregnancy, tubal surgeries, a history of pelvic inflammatory disease and sexually transmitted diseases. Early diagnosis is made by USG and B HCG level.

Aim

To present a case of left sided ruptured interstitial ectopic pregnancy

Setting

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Case Summary

A 35 year old G4P2+1L2 with 2 months amenorrhea presented to obstetrics causality with

complaints of acute pain abdomen since 4 days. Pain was all over the abdomen with no aggravating or relieving factors. She also had complained of spotting per vaginum since 4 days. There was history of nausea and vomiting (3-4 episodes) since 2 days. Patient also had a history of syncopal attack 1 day back lasting for 1 -2 minutes. Bladder and bowel were regular. Her previous menstrual cycle was normal. There was no significant past, personal, or any surgical history.

On Examination

Patient was conscious, co-operative, well oriented with time, place and person.

Blood pressure - 90/60 mmHg

Pulse rate- 130 beats per minute

Afebrile

Pallor +++

No icterus, cyanosis, clubbing, lymphadenopathy, edema

Per Abdomen- distension +, tenderness +

Per Speculum- spotting +

Per vaginum- uterus anteverted, bulky, left fornix full, cervical motion tenderness +

Investigation

Hb- 3.4 gm %, Platelet count- 2.3/cmm, Blood group- B positive, RBS- 134 gm/dl, Total leukocyte count- 8200/cmm, Blood urea- 65.2 mg/dl, serum creatinine – 1.36mg/dl, SGOT- 23IU/L, SGPT- 18 IU/L, ALP- 78 IU/L, Serum bilirubin- 0.6 mg/dl, Serum uric acid – 5.95, Serum calcium - 7.75, Serum protein - 6.98, Serum Albumin- 3.64, Serum globulin -3.34, A/G ratio- 1.0, HIV- non reactive, HbsAg- non reactive, Anti HCV- non reactive

USG- Left sided tubo-ovarian mass size- 51×49×48 mm

Suggestive of ruptured ectopic pregnancy, mild haemoperitoneum

Operative Procedure

After all preliminary investigation patient was taken for emergency laparotomy in view of ruptured left sided interstitial ectopic pregnancy. Under general anesthesia with aseptic precautions abdomen was opened in layers. Abdomen cavity was filled with blood. Blood was suctioned out and rupture site was identified as left Interstitial. In view of massive and uncontrolled bleeding subtotal hysterectomy was done.

Post Operative Period

She was given injectable antibiotics. Post operative period was uneventful and patient was discharged on 8th post operative day and to be followed on OPD basis.

Discussion

Earlier patient presentation and precise diagnostic technology typically allow identification before rupture. In these cases symptoms and signs of ectopic pregnancy are present. Classical triad of amenorrhea, bleeding or spotting per vaginum and abdominal pain is present. In rupture lower abdominal pain and pelvic pain is usually severe. Abdominal palpation elicits distension and tenderness.

Conclusion

After thorough review of history, examination and investigation exploratory laparotomy was done and since the site of ruptured ectopic was identified to be in the left cornua or interstitium with non viable intrauterine pregnancy, a quick subtotal hysterectomy was done with proper post operative care and blood transfusion. Patient was discharged on 8th post operative day.

So, timely intervention can significantly decrease morbidity and mortality in case of ruptured ectopic.

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