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The importance of sonographic endometrial parameters in influencing success following embryo transfer in the modern era and therapeutic options - Part 1: the importance of late proliferative phase endometrial thickness

J.H. Check - Camden, NJ (USA)
In the modern IVF era too thin but not too thick of a late proliferative endometrium reduces pregnancy rates slightly.

A case whose outcome is consistent with the possibility that if slow embryo cleavage is related to a male factor the prognosis is far greater than if it was related to an egg factor

J.H. Check, B. Katsoff, C. Wilson, A. Bollendorf - Camden, NJ (USA)
The way this was determined was evaluating a woman who consistently made high fragmented embryos when she was undergoing multiple cycles of IVF-ET.

Effect of method of oocyte fertilization on fertilization, pregnancy and implantation rates in women with unexplained infertility

Conventional oocyte insemination resulted in a significantly higher pregnancy rate than intracytoplasmic sperm injection for unexplained infertility.

Matched controlled study to evaluate the effect of endometrial polyps on pregnancy and implantation rates following in vitro fertilization-embryo transfer (IVF-ET)

The presence of endometrial polyps did not appear to have a negative effect on pregnancy or miscarriage rates.

Successful pregnancy following in vitro fertilization embryo transfer in a 46-year-old woman with diminished oocyte reserve as evidenced by a high day 3 serum estradiol

J.H. Check, R. Chern, J. Amui - Camden, NJ (USA)
A successful pregnancy occurred following in vitro fertilization-embryo transfer in a 46-year-old woman with diminished oocyte reserve.

Serum adiponectin levels are significantly reduced during the second half of normal pregnancy

For normal weight women serum adiponectin levels are significantly lower in the second half vs the first half of pregnancy.

Single umbilical artery: fetal and placental histopathological analysis of 24 cases

Histopathological findings of fetuses and placentas in 24 cases of single umbilical artery.

Urinary complications of gynecologic surgery: iatrogenic urinary tract system injuries in obstetrics and gynecology operations

First trimester low PAPP-A levels are not associated with adverse pregnancy outcomes.

Effect of epidural analgesia on operative vaginal birth rate

U. Indraccolo, D. Di Filippo, R. Di Iorio, E. Marinoni, D. Roselli, S.R. Indraccolo - Rome, Italy
Epidural analgesia may reduce operative vaginal delivery and short labor time in some cases.
The role of oral contraception use in the occurrence of breast cancer. A retrospective study of 405 patients
Prolonged oral contraceptive use may be a risk factor for breast cancer, but more and extended research is needed.

Thrombin activatable fibrinolysis inhibitor (TAFI) is not associated with recurrent miscarriage
S.D. Sezer, A. Baz, M. Kucuk, A.R. Odabasi, M. Serter, H. Yüksel - Aydın, Turkey
The findings of the current study indicated that TAFI levels are not associated with recurrent miscarriage.

Transdermal estrogen therapy effects on fibrinogen levels in women with a past history of venous thromboembolism: a pilot study
Transdermal estrogen therapy in women with a past history of venous thromboembolism may not increase blood coagulability.

Resistin may not associate with gestational diabetes mellitus although insulin resistance
Insulin resistance in gestational diabetes mellitus is higher than in non gestational diabetes mellitus while the serum levels of resistin register no differences in the two groups.

Amniocentesis-related adverse outcomes according to placental location and risk factors for fetal loss after midtrimester amniocentesis
I. Kalogiannidis, S. Prapa, T. Dagklis, A. Karkanaki, S. Petousis, Y. Prapas, N. Prapas - Thessaloniki, Greece
Anterior-fundal placental location is related to amniocentesis adverse outcomes.

A new approach in the first-line treatment of bacterial and mycotic vulvovaginitis with topical lipohydroperoxides and glycyrrhetic acid: a comparative study
G. Mainini, M. Rotondi, C. Scaffa - Naples, Italy
Combined lipohydroperoxides and glycyrrhetic acid are effective as first-line topical treatment of bacterial and mycotic vulvovaginitis.

Optimal dose of an anesthetic in epidural anesthesia and its effect on labor duration and administration of vacuum extractor and forceps
Epidural anesthesia, optimal dose, effect on labor duration, the frequency of vacuum and forceps administration at the end of delivery are evaluated.

The attitudes of menopausal women and their spouses towards menopause
H. Aksu, L. Sevinçok, M. Küçük, S.D. Sezer, N. Oğurlu - Aydın, Turkey
Women with more negative attitudes towards menopause reported in general more symptoms during menopause.

Two-year experience of obstetric cholestasis: outcome and management
Ursodeoxycholic acid is effective in lowering transaminases in obstetric cholestasis.

Emergency contraception: knowledge, attitudes and practice of the pharmacy staff in Aydın, Turkey
H. Aksu, O. Başak, M. Küçük, N. Yeniçeri, Ş. Kaya - Aydın, Turkey
Emergency contraception is often inadequate among the population and pharmacists.

Postmenopausal palpable ovary and ovarian cancer
M. Gnjic, M. Brankovic, M. Maksimovic, B. Parapid, V. Dugalic, K. Jeremic, B. Gutić - Belgrade, Serbia
Every ovarian mass in menopause and in postmenopause needs an immediate differential diagnosis.

CASE REPORTS
Amniocentesis can be useful during the third trimester of pregnancy for antenatal diagnosis of Pallister-Killian syndrome: a case report
M. Murakami, T. Iwasa, Y. Takahashi, M. Morine - Kagawa, Japan
Amniocentesis during the third trimester of pregnancy is useful for antenatal diagnosis of Pallister-Killian syndrome.
Isolated tubal torsion in pregnancy - a rare case
H. İlçi, N. Güdücü, G. Gönenç, A.Y. Basgul - Ankara, TURKEY
A case of isolated tubal torsion in a term pregnancy detected during cesarean section and managed by salpingectomy simultaneously is presented.

Combination of B-Lynch and modified Cho sutures for postpartum hemorrhage caused by low-lying placenta and placenta accreta
JP. Xiao, B. Zhang - Wuxi Jiangsu (CHINA)
Combined B-Lynch suture modified Cho suture is an effective management of postpartum hemorrhage and allows the uterus to be conserved.

A giant cervical nabothian cyst compressing the rectum, differential diagnosis and literature review
I. Temur, K. Ulker, B. Sulu, M. Karaca, A. Aydin, B. Gurcu - Kağızman-Kars, TURKEY
A case of giant nabothian cyst with differential diagnosis implication is reported.

Subtle ultrasonographic appearance of Down’s syndrome: a case report of prenatal diagnosis of isolated simple fetal syndactyly
G. Di Luigi, I. D’Emilio, A. Marcozzi, L. Gennaccaro, P. Palermo, G. Carta - Teramo, ITALY
The risk for a chromosomal disorder may be considered when syndactyly is present.

Prenatal diagnosis of congenital harlequin ichthyosis with 2D, 3D, and 4D ultrasonography
A.Y. Basgul, Z.N. Kavak, N. Guducu, B. Durukan, H. Isci - Istanbul, TURKEY
A case of congenital ichthyosis prenatally diagnosed by 3D and 4D ultrasonography with no previous family history is reported.

Uterine rupture during pregnancy
X. Xia, L. Fan, Y. Xia, Y. Fang - Beijing, CHINA
Uterine rupture can happen spontaneously, or in the scar of previous caesarean section or others scars caused by other pathologic lesions.

Abdominal wall endometriosis following cesarean section: report of five cases
B. Demir, Z. Senerbahce, A.I. Gazel, S. Demir, N. Kilince - Canakkale, TURKEY
Five cases of abdominal wall endometriosis in women with previous cesarean section are reported.

Extraovarian mature cystic teratoma of the mesentery. A case report and literature review
Benign cystic teratoma of the mesentery is described.

Gossypiboma: a rare abdominal lesion of women after cesarean section, usually misdiagnosed as a neoplasm
P.E. Mavrigiannaki, C. Dastamani, E. Vountou, E. Lambropoulos, E. Kairi-Vassilatou, A. Kondi-Pafiti - Athens, GREECE
Gossypiboma is an inflammatory postsurgical pseudotumor often misdiagnosed as a neoplasm.

Permanent pacemakers in pregnancy
J. Coolen, R. Turnell, I. Vonder Muhll, S. Chandra - Alberta, CANADA
The principles of management of permanent cardiac pacemakers in pregnancy are reviewing.

Giant prolapsed submucous leiomyoma: a surgical challenge for gynecologists
L.G.O. Brito, P.S. Magnani, A. Eugênio de Azevedo Trapp, M.M. Sabino-de-Freitas - São Paulo, BRAZIL
A giant prolapsed leiomyoma surgically withdrawn without reaching its pedicle is described, resulting in vaginal hysterectomy.

Diabetes insipidus and two consecutive pregnancies: a case report and review of the literature
G. Adonakis, V. Kyriaizopoulos, G. Androutsopoulos, V. Papadopoulos, G. Decavalas, N.A. Georgopoulos - Rion, GREECE
Diabetes insipidus and two consecutive pregnancies: a case report and literature review.

Prenatal diagnosis of a digynic triploid fetus in the second trimester: transvaginal two-dimensional ultrasound, color Doppler and fetoplacental Doppler velocity waveform findings
A.Y. Basgul, Z.N. Kavak, H. Isci, N. Kutay, B. Durukan - Istanbul, TURKEY
The most frequent indicators of triploidy are early retardation of growth and oligohydramnios together with other malformations.