Primary lymphoproliferative lesions of the mammary gland
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Primary lymphoproliferative lesions of the breast are rare and comprise malignant lymphomas and pseudolymphomas. The former are aggressive and the prognosis is related to the type according to the REAL classification. The latter are benign and should be differentiated from lymphomas to avoid unnecessary treatment.

Monoclonal antibodies in the treatment of ovarian cancer
J. Markowska - Poznan, POLAND
The paper presents a review of clinical tests conducted on application of monoclonal antibodies in the treatment of ovarian cancer and discusses its adverse side-effects.

Prognostic significance of preoperative DNA flow cytometry in surgically-treated cervical cancer
O. Reich, P. Pürstner, P. Klaritsch, J. Haas, M. Lahousen, K. Tamussino, R. Winter - Graz, AUSTRIA
DNA flow cytometry may be used preoperatively to identify low-risk and high-risk patients with cervical cancer.

Pathological findings in early-stage endometrial cancer
S. Zehavi, D. Schneider, I. Bukovsky, R. Halperin - Tel-Aviv, ISRAEL
The current study compares early-stage endometrioid and serous papillary endometrial cancers for clinical and pathological characteristics.

Frequent disease progression and early recurrence in patients with familial ovarian cancer primarily treated with paclitaxel and cis- or carboplatin (preliminary report)
Early disease progressions and recurrences following primary paclitaxel/platin treatment were more frequent in patients with familial vs sporadic ovarian cancers.

Placental site trophoblastic tumor: p53 gene analysis
H. Iwamoto, M. Nara, M. Minai, S. Hirata, K. Hoshi - Yamanashi, JAPAN
A case of placental site trophoblastic tumor is reported. Mutation status of p53 was analyzed but no p53 gene mutation was detected in exons 5-8.

Detection of HPV infection by analyzing the changes in structure of peripheral blood lymphocytes specifically induced by HPV E7 antigen
K. C. Chao, P. H. Wang, M. S. Yen, C. C. Chang - Taipei, TAIWAN
Peripheral blood lymphocytes from patients with HPV infection showed a positive response to HPV E7 antigen stimulation.

Does adjuvant chemotherapy improve the prognosis of cervical carcinoma with lymph-node metastasis? A long-term follow-up
B. Mossa, M. L. Framarino, C. Napolitano, R. Marziani, F. Imperato, L. Marzetti - Rome, ITALY
Adoption of adjuvant chemotherapy in patients at high risk for lymph-node positivity did not produce statistically significant results in terms of overall and disease-free survival; however, a small group of these patients, approximately 9%, could benefit from the treatment.

Laparoscopic management of early stage endometrial cancer
P. Litta, M. Fracas, C. Pozzan, F. Merlin, C. Saccardi, G. Sacco, D. Mannici - Padova, ITALY
A comparison of the laparoscopic versus laparotomic approach with pelvic lymphadenectomy for early stage endometrial cancer is analyzed.

Associations between tumor diameter and prognostic variables of epithelial ovarian cancer
T. Nakanishi, A. Nawa, Y. Niwa, S. Nakamura, K. Kuzuya - Nagoya, JAPAN
Tumor diameter of epithelial ovarian cancer is closely associated with histological subtypes and stage of disease, especially intra-abdominal disease.

Vascular tumors of the female genital tract: a clinicopathological study of nine cases
The clinicopathological features of unusual female genital tract vascular neoplasms are investigated.

The role of neoadjuvant chemotherapy for squamous cell cervical cancer (Ib-IIIb): a long-term randomized trial
C. Napolitano, F. Imperato, B. Mossa, M. L. Framarino, R. Marziani, L. Marzetti - Rome, ITALY
The almost complete responsiveness of cervical cancer to neoadjuvant chemotherapy results in longer overall survival and disease-free survival. Patients with chemosensitive tumors underwent subsequent surgical treatment even with tumors initially considered not surgically resectable.

The contribution of the CEA marker to CA 15.3 in the follow-up of breast cancer
The clinical use of tumor markers during breast cancer follow-up is still surrounded by controversy. The low sensitivity of studied tumor markers proved of limited use on a clinical scale.
Ultra short-term antimicrobial prophylaxis in patients undergoing surgery for gynecologic cancer
Ultra short-term antimicrobial prophylaxis with ceftazidime is safe and effective in patients undergoing surgery for gynecologic cancer.

Hysteroscopy in cases of cervical polyps
B. Spiewankiewicz, J. Stelmachów, W. Sawicki, K. Cendrowski, R. Kuźlik - WARSAW, POLAND
The endoscopic evaluation of the uterine cavity in women with cervical polyps can clarify the initial diagnosis. Hysteroscopy allows not only a precise visualisation of the polyp peduncle but also gives the possibility to identify and treat concurrent asymptomatic intrauterine pathological conditions.

Malignant mixed müllerian tumor of the ovary and false negative punctures
P. Cryns, N. J. L. Roofthooft, W. A. A. Tjalma - Antwerp, BELGIUM
Paracentesis and punctures should be discouraged as a diagnostic tool in patients in whom ovarian malignancy is suspected.

Synchronous fallopian tube and breast cancers: case report and literature review
C. Romagnolo, A. Gabriele, G. Zamboni, P. Cassandrinì, T. Maggino - Negrar, Domodossola and Mirano (ITALY)
A case of synchronous fallopian tube and breast cancers using chemo-radio surgical treatment is described. A review of the recent literature is reported.

Primary myxoid chondrosarcoma of the uterus: report of a case with immunohistochemical study
E. Kostopoulou, K. Dragoumis, D. Tamiolakis, V. Liberis, E. Sivridis - Thessaloniki, GREECE
An extremely rare case of primary myxoid chondrosarcoma of the uterus is presented.

Fertility after laparoscopic myomectomy of large uterine myomas: operative technique and preliminary results
M. Malzoni, M. Rotondi, C. Perone, D. Labriola, F. Ammaturò, A. Izzo, S. Panariello, H. Reich - Avellino and Naples, ITALY - New York, USA
A retrospective study of patients undergoing laparoscopy for the removal of a large myoma to assess fertility and pregnancy outcome was carried out.

Endometrioid adenocarcinoma arising in uteri with incomplete fusion of Mullerian ducts. Report of three cases
A. Kondi-Pafiti, H. Spanidou-Carvouni, C. Dimopoulou, C.-I. Kontogianni - Athens, GREECE
The clinicopathological findings of three cases of endometrial adenocarcinoma arising in the uteri with developmental anomalies are described.

A rare case of metastatic ovarian carcinoma originating from primary intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma. Case report
A rare case of metastatic ovarian carcinoma arising from intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma, confirmed after optimal debulking and segmental hepatic resection, is described.

Cystosarcoma phyllodes in a 13-year old muslim girl treated with conservative surgery: a case report
The management and cytological and histological characteristics of the very rare cystosarcoma phylloides in an adolescent girl are described.

Prolonged survival in two cases of carcinoma of the fallopian tube presenting after hysterectomy: case reports
M. Alarab, M. Foley, D. Fennelly - Dublin, IRELAND
Two patients presenting with fallopian tube carcinoma after hysterectomy have prolonged survival after debulking and treatment with platinum-based agents.

Carcinosarcoma of the breast: report of two cases
J. Gogas, E. Kouskos, C. Markopoulos, D. Mantas, Z. Antonopoulou, K. Kontzoglou, J. Stamoulis, V. Kyriakou - Athens, GREECE
Two cases of breast carciinosarcoma are reported due to the rarity, aggressive behavior and specific histologic characteristics.

Primary peritoneal borderline tumor. A case report and review of the literature
T. Biron-Shental, Z. Klein, E. Edelstein, M. Altaras, A. Fishman - Kfar Saba and Tel-Aviv, ISRAEL
A case report and review of the literature of a primary peritoneal borderline tumor are presented.

Emergency pelvic packing to control intraoperative bleeding after a Piver type-3 procedure. An unusual way to control gynaecological hemorrhage
E. Cirese, G. Larciprete - Rome, ITALY
A packing technique was successfully used to treat an acute case of pelvic hemorrhage after a type-3 Piver procedure.