

## Chronic Non Puerperal Uterine Inversion : A Case Report



### Medical Science

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### ABSTRACT

*A case of non puerperal chronic uterine inversion secondary to submucous fibroid in a 55 years old women is presented there was complete uterine inversion of incarcerated inverted uterus protruding through the vagina beyond the vulva. The submucous fibroid was attached to fundus. At laparotomy uterus was found inverted, TAH with BSO done. Histopathology examination of specimen following hysterectomy confirmed.*

**Introduction:-** Chronic non puerperal uterine inversion (CNPI) is an extremely rare clinical situation on emerge a gynaecologist may out see one case in their entire life. Due to diversity of underlying causes and presentation of this condition, assessment and treatment need to be tailored individually. Most of the surgical methods discussed for treating CNPI involved reinverting the uterus before repairing the inversion made or proceeding to hysterectomy<sup>[1]</sup>. Vaginal hysterectomy for CNPI without reinverting the uterus, poses unique challenge to surgeon.

**Case report:-** A 55 year old multipara women presented in gynae emergency with complain of bleeding per vagina since 2 days. There was a history of mass protruding outside the vagina since 6 month with foul smelling discharge 4 month with spotting per vagina since 1 month. The mass was presented inside the vagina for the last 5 years but had not caused any problem.

**General examination reveals:-** She was average nourished, well hydrated and pale. BP was 130/80 mmHg, pulse 76/min. On vaginal examination a soft fleshy mass of 10 x 6 cm seen probably arising from the anterior lip of cervix. Per rectal examination uterus could not be felt.



On pelvic ultrasound examination :- Cervix showing a growth of 6.5 cm x 4.5 cm in it with peripheral vascularity with calcific foci suggesting of cervical fibroid with thickened endometrium.

**CT finding :-** Well defined lobulated soft tissue density lesion of 48 x 54 mm, seen within cervix, not significantly enhanced after contrast, predominantly seen in left posterolateral cervix wall. No exophytic component seen. Periuterine fat planes are clear – benign pathology? Polyp? Submucous fibroid.

**Management :-** 2 units blood transfusion done and 7 days injectable antibiotic course and then vaginal myomectomy was planned but uterine sound test was negative, so decision of laparotomy was made. On lapa-

rotomy uterus was not seen and fimbrial end of tubes were seen above the constriction ring than the diagnosis of complete chronic inversion of uterus was confirmed. During surgery bilateral round and infundibulo pelvic ligaments clamped, cut and transfixed with bilateral uterine artery clamped and ligated. Incision was made on constriction ring and uterus was tried to pulled up and uterus was delivered with fundal submucosal fibroid polyp insitu and sent for histopathological examination. HPE reports show : Uterine fibroid show degenerative changes and senile atrophic changes of endometrium with cervicitis.

**Discussion:-** Chronic non puerperal uterine inversion is a very rare uterine leiomyoma, leiomyosarcoma, rhabdomyosarcoma, endometrial polyp, endometrial carcinoma and uterovaginal prolapse have been described as possible preceding factor<sup>[2-8]</sup>. Uterine leiomyoma were known to cause uterine inversion in 78.8 – 85% of cases. The classical diagnosis of chronic inversion depends on finding a mass coming through cervix, without definite margins of cervix and the absence of the uterine body during bimanual or rectal examination. Many surgical methods have been described to treat CNPI. Huntington abdominal approach involve grasping the round ligament and the uterus below the area of inversion and slowly pulling up repeatedly until the uterus is reinverted.

(2) Hanltaim procedure is where vagino-cervical ring is incised posteriorly and carried up the posterior wall of the uterus until it can be reinverted to its normal anatomy.

(3) Kustner and Spinelli procedure are commonly used vaginal approach, kustner procedure is entering the pouch of douglas vaginally and splitting the posterior aspect of uterus and the cervix and reinverting the uterus. In Spinelli operation incision is made on anterior aspect of the cervix and then the uterus is reinverted. After both the procedure the uterine incision needs to be repaired after repositioning of fertility is wished or otherwise can be proceeded for routine vaginal hysterectomy, subtotal vaginal hysterectomy<sup>[9]</sup> or vaginal hysterectomy without reinversion of uterus has to be described to treat the CNPI. Mayadeo et al. in 2003 described case of incomplete lateral inversion of uterus, diagnosed with laparoscopy and tied with vaginal hysterectomy without reinversion of the uterus.

Pulling anterior possible loops of bowel in an inverted uterus and finding a normal ureteric course in IVP was sufficient before proceeding to myomectomy. Leiomyoma whenever present better to excised before proceeding to hys-

terectomy as attempts to reposit the uterus may be more successful after myomectomy and hysterectomy is much easier when it is repositioned rather than inverted. Such reposition also avoids delay in reinversion procedure and saves valuable time in patient with high risk of anaesthesia.

**Conclusion:** Chronic uterine inversion is a rare condition that is difficult to manage even for the experienced gynaecologist. USG and MRI usually leads to definitive diagnosis and the treatment is surgical<sup>[10]</sup> that include both abdominal and vaginal approach. However need for preservation of fertility and excluding possible malignancy might be important in selected cases.

Repositioning of uterus may not be possible in all cases, leaving vaginal hysterectomy the only option. Performing myomectomy helps to relieve traction and at least partially reposit uterus which make vaginal hysterectomy with reinversion much easier and without complication.

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