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TITLE - A RARE CASE OF COMPRESSIVE MYELOPATHY IN PREGNANCY





INTRODUCTION

- · Compressive Myelopathy during pregnancy - Rare phenomenon with prevalence of 0.4-1.5 per 1000.
- · Compressive myelopathy refers to neurologic deficit resulting from compression of spinal cord either from outside or within due to degenerative disease, trauma, tumor or Infection.



CASE REPORT

- · A 23 year old G2P1L1 with 37.3 wks with previous FTND brought by relatives on wheel chair to our labor room with Foley catheterised with complain of per vaginal leaking since 2 hours. Since 2 months patient had bilateral lower limb weakness with loss of sensory and motor function in both lower limbs with urinary and fecal incontinence.
- O/E . : GC fair , Vitals stable.
- Per Abdomen Uterus full term ,longitudinal lie , cephalic , FHS regular, uterine contractions present (3-4 contractions in 10 min. each lasting for 45-50 sec.)
- Per Vaginal Cervical os 4-5 cm dilated , Effacement 50-60%, station- HPR suggestive of Vertebral hemangioma . 1, membrane absent, leak present, Pelvis adequate
- CNS Examination: Conscious, Oriented, Afebrile , Tone was decreased, Power 0/5 of both lower limbs and Plantar reflex present.

INVESTIGATION

- · Complete Blood count .
- · MRI Show Well defined solid altered signal intensity extramedullary lesion in spinal canal on right side, extending from D6 to superior border of D10 vertebral Levels.



TREATMENT

- · Patient underwent uncomplicated Painless vaginal delivery.
- After delivery patient posted for Laminectomy.

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- · Patient able to move legs.
- · 3 month follow up revealed normal neurological examination.

CONCLUSION

Compressive myelopathy from hemangioma in pregnant women is rare. Serious neurologic deficits can occur if not treated immediately.