



Case Presentation

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Case Report: Leiomyosarcomas of Both Ovarian Veins

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Abstract

Background: Leiomyosarcoma is a rare tumor of smooth muscle origin. The ovarian vein origin is very rare. Here we describe a presentation of leiomyosarcomas of both ovarian veins.

Case report: a 70 years-old patient had a diagnostic of retroperitoneal tumors due to abdominal pain. A biopsy was achieved for the right tumor and concludes to leiomyosarcoma. CT scan showed two tumors depending on both ovarian veins. A surgery was done with the resection of both tumors. Resection was complete (R0). After two years of follow-up, there is no recurrence.

Conclusions: this is the first description of leiomyosarcomas of both ovarian veins. The resection was successful.

Keywords: Leiomyosarcoma; Ovarian vein; Bilateral tumors

Abbreviations: CT scan: Computed Tomography; FNCLCC: Fédération Nationale des Centres de Lutte

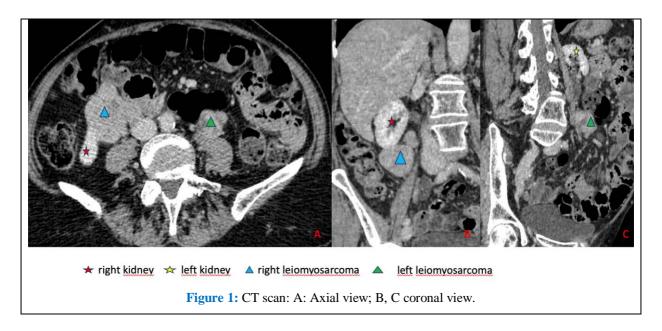
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Introduction

Soft tissue sarcomas represent less than 1% of malignancies. Among these tumors, leiomyosarcoma represent 6%. Leiomyosarcoma is a rare malignant mesenchymal tumor of smooth muscle origin. Vascular leiomyosarcoma constitute 2% of all leiomyosarcoma and affects veins five times more than arteries [1]. The inferior vena cava, renal vein, and central adrenal vein are most involved. The ovarian vein origin in uncommon with only few cases describe in the literature. There Is 17 cases describe but none with bilateral tumor. Here we describe the first leiomyosarcomas of both ovarian veins [1-18].

Case Presentation

A 70-year-old woman with a left renal atrophy due to a left Ureteral Reimplantation surgery. She had a CT scan for abdominal pain 3 years ago, showing a left mass measuring 17 x 11 mm. This mass was neglected. Recently, a right abdominal mass was auto palpated. This was explored by a new CT scan showing a right retroperitoneal mass bilobed measuring 48 x 32 mm and 20 x 15 mm. The mass on the other side increased in size (25 x 22 mm) (Figure 1).



In accordance with international recommendations [19], a biopsy found a spindle cell proliferation compatible with a grade I (FNCLCC) leiomyosarcoma. There was no evidence of regional extension, no metastases. We realized a surgery by enucleation of the right tumor and extended nephrectomy with the tumor on the left side due to the atrophy.

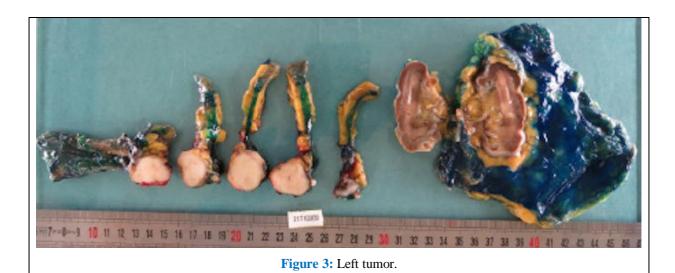
Final histology showed for the right tumor a leiomyosarcoma of the right ovarian vein grade 2 (FNLCC: differentiation: 2, mitosis: 1, necrosis: 1) measuring 7 x 8 x 5.5 cm (Figure 2).



Figure 2: Right tumor.

The samples found a proliferation in long bundles of spindle cells with abundant and eosinophilic cytoplasm which corresponds to an organization of smooth muscle tissue. The muscular origin is confirmed by the positive immunohistochemical markers for actin, desmin and caldesmon. Malignant character is confirmed by the presence of anisokaryosis cells, high mitotic numbers, and the presence of necrosis. Mitotic activity is estimated at 9 mitoses per 2 mm³, we visualize the presence of several foci of tumor necrosis whose surface area is estimated at approximately 10%. The resection was R0.

For the left side: there was a leiomyosarcoma of the left ovarian vein measuring 3 x 3 x3 cm and a metastasis in the left kidney measuring 4 mm. The resection was R0 (Figure 3).



Due to the rarity of this case, a rereading was carried out within the framework of the NETSARC+ network (French sarcoma group). The patient had no complication after the surgery. 2 years of follow up showed no recurrence so far.

Conclusions

We described the first case of bilateral tumor of the ovarian vein. According to the literature, the leiomyosarcoma is a malignant tumor requiring a surgery with a complete resection R0 and a long-term follow-up. The resection is possible for a bilateral tumor of the ovarian vein. We achieved to preserve one kidney by enucleation of the tumor. According to the recommendations, the compartmental surgery is not recommended for a leiomyosarcoma.

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