ATYPICAL CASE OF PLACENTAL ABRUPTION IN COVID19

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INTRODUCTION:: Placental abruption is defined as premature separation of normally implanted placenta resulting into hemorrhage in decidua basalis. It is usually a complication of third trimester of pregnancy. It affects about 1% of pregnancy. Couvelaire uterus is a rare and non fatal condition result in extravasation of blood into the uterine musculature and surrounding tissue. The incidence of Couvelaire uterus is reported to be 16.8% in cases with abruption. Causes of abruption are: Hypertension, trauma, prior abruption, short cord, placental anomaly, folic acid deficiency, torsion of uterus, thrombophilia.







Partial Separation (Concealed Hemorrhage)

CASE SUMMARY: A 24Yr G2P1L1 has been admitted at 23

weeks of gestation with history of fever, cold, cough since

1week and abdominal pain and vaginal bleeding for past 4
hours. Her RTPCR was positive, no any premonitory
symptoms present, no h/o fall, Her BP was 130/80mmhg, PR
was 98/min, On examination pallor present and pedal
edema present B/L chest shows basal crepts spo2 92%in
room air, 98%(o2)

Obstetric examination: Uterus was tense, tender, fundal height corresponding to 24week size with single fetus in cephalic presentation. FHR not appreciated, SFH was 28cm,

ON PS- dark colored Bleed present

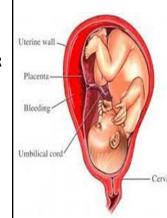


URGENT USG was done which shows: Retroplacental clot OR Subchorionic bleed

MANAGEMENT: Blood products were arranged, catheterization done, induction was done according to FIGO regime, But due to failure of Induction well documented, Immediately patient was prepared for Hysterotomy and shifted to OT.

INTRAOP FINDINGS: Hysterotomy/MCH/1.5KG/ APGAR 0,0(IND-APH with failure of induction) UTERUS was dark port wine in color appears like stained with methylene blue dye

COUVELAIRE UTERUS(also known as uteroplacental apoplexy)a severe form of concealed abruption, 2 fistful clots removed Sample sent for histopath





DISCUSSION. Points peculiar to this case are-

- 1. Couvelaire uterus is a severe form of concealed abruption which is generally seen in third trimester here it is seen at 23 week of gestation with no discernable cause such as hypertension, thrombophilia or trauma therefore SARS was responsible for abruption.
- 2. COVID may result in placental abnormalities like fetomaternal vascular malperfusion and decidual arteriopathy result in abnormalities in oxygenation within intervillous space leading to abruption.
- In our case patient received maximum recommended dose of misoprostol with no discernable cervical dilation. As the cervix was closed artificial rupture of membrane was not possible. To avoid maternal deterioration we were faced with no other option than hysterotomy.

Case was well managed and patient was discharged in good condition



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