

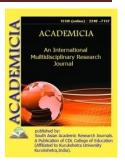
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PRIMARY VAGINAL MALIGNANT MELANOMA: A RARE ENTITY

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ABSTRACT

Primary tumour of vagina is a rare neoplasm and known to constitute approximately (1-2%) of all gynaecological malignancies. Among vaginal tumours, malignant melanoma of vagina is known to arise from the region of atypical melanocytic hyperplasia. Vaginal Melanoma is extremely rare neoplasm and known to occur in approximately 4% of all primary vaginal tumours. Incidence of vaginal neoplasm is 0.26% per million every year globally. In term of prognosis and overall survival, Primary vaginal malignant melanoma is known to rare a very poor overall survival. Melanoma vagina is known to have early haematogenous spread and distant spread. Prognosis is very poor for vaginal melanoma due to aggressive nature of disease. Risk of distal metastatic 0.5 year overall survival 05% to 30% and chances of distant metastatic (66-100%). Thus, overall survival of primary malignant melanoma vagina is poor. We report here an unusual case of female diagnosed with primary vaginal malignant melanoma.

KEYWORDS: Malignant Melanoma, Female, Genital Tract, Primary Vaginal Malignant Melanoma, Rare.