

LAMINARIA TENT IN THE URINARY BLADDER

(A Case Report)

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Introduction

Foreign body in the urinary bladder is a relatively rare condition. The presence of foreign body in the bladder is usually accounted for by sexual perversion or attempts to produce a miscarriage. Laminaria tent as foreign body in the urinary bladder has not been reported in the world literature to the best of our knowledge. Here in we report a case of Laminaria tent in the urinary bladder.

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Case Report

Mrs. S.G. 22 years old was admitted on passing a wooden stick into her vagina to induce abortion two days back. She also gave history of amenorrhoea for last two months. On examination, a thread was found hanging out of the urethra and this could not be taken out as it was attached to the foreign body in the bladder. Then the patient was prepared for exploration of bladder under general anaesthesia. Even under general anaesthesia by pulling the thread the foreign body could not be taken out although it was felt with finger as urethra was very much dilated (Laminaria tent dilates the structure by absorbing moisture). Suprapubic cystostomy was then performed to take out the foreign body which turned out to be laminaria tent (Fig. 1). The patient had uneventful recovery and was discharged on 8th post-operative day.

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