

Silent Rupture of \perp Scar Causing Abruptio – A Case Report

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Mrs. Sumathy, 22 years, G₂P₁L₁, a case of previous caesarean reported on 11/1/2000 at 36 weeks of gestation with C/O dysuria and frequency of micturition of one day duration. Details of previous C.S. was not available.

O/E: G.C. – good, P/A: Right Subumbilical paramedian Scar present. Uterus Corresponds to 36 weeks with cephalic presentation relaxed uterus F.H. – 140/mt. regular. There was no Scar tenderness. Routine Urine Examination was ordered. Patient went to the bathroom to collect Urine, where she developed a sudden bout of bleeding and abdominal pain. Soon she was taken to labour room.

O/E: Uterus was uniformly tense and tender. F.H: 100/mt P/v: Cervix uneffaced, Os closed with moderate bleeding. Patient had a previous USG report with her in

which placenta located in the upper segment. So a diagnosis of abruptio-placenta was made and she was taken for immediate surgery.

On opening up the abdomen there was a big haematoma over the upper segment along the vertical limb of previous \perp incision, which had given way. I.SCS through the transverse scar was performed and delivered an asphyxiated baby which was revived. Placenta was partially separated with about 500 gms of retroplacental clots. Uterus closed and sterilization was performed.

Patient had a normal recovery.

This case is being reported to emphasise the possibility of dehiscence & abruptio of previous caesarean scar.