

Foetus in Foetu

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Kishanlal, a six year old male child, was admitted to the Children's Surgical Ward, Kalawati Saran Children's Hospital, New Delhi, on April 30, 1982, with the following complaints: Pain in abdomen, fever, a mass in the left hypochondrium, which according to the child's mother, was there since birth and was growing in size, rapidly since three years.

On Examination

Temperature was 38.6°C; Pulse 120 p.m. and Respirations 30 p.m. Weight: 12 Kgs, a mass was felt in the left hypochondrium extending towards the epigastrium with irregular surface which was hard in consistency and immobile. Another small mass was felt in the epigastrium. Left lobe of the liver was palpable, there was no lymphadenopathy.

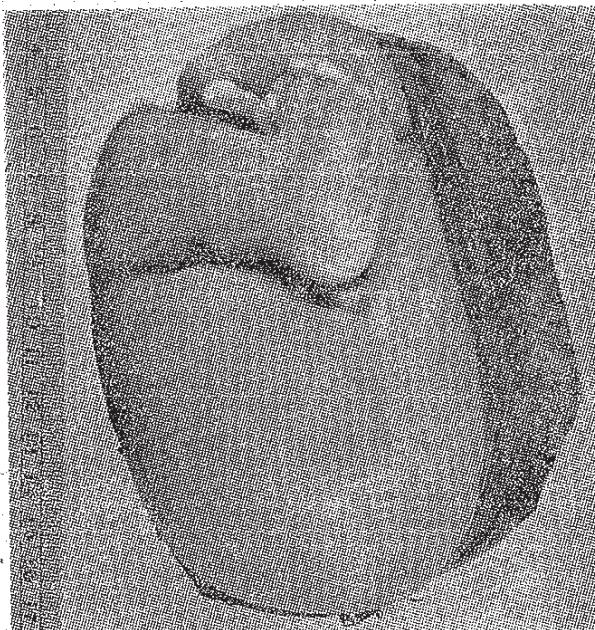
Various investigations were done. Some of which were as given below:

X-Ray showed bony structure in the left hypochondrium and lumbar region.

Intravenous Pyelography showed left kidney being pushed downward medially to the level of 4th lumbar vertebra. The functioning of both the kidneys was normal. A test on the urine



Front view.



View after incision of the sac.

showed absence of albumin and sugar. DCS—no pus cells; blood: HB 12 gms; Blood group: A+; bleeding time, 45 seconds; clotting time, 3.55 minutes; blood urea, 27 mgs; serum bilirubin 1.2 mg.

The child was diagnosed as a case of retroperitoneal teratoma (It) and was posted for exploratory laparotomy on May 4, 1982. The Child was on the following drugs, pre-operatively: Crystalline penicillin—2 lac units 6 hourly; antianthemintic drug was given; syr. pyregesic and Vit. B Complex were also given.

On May 3, 1982, I.V. Infusion 500 cc of 5 per cent Dextrose was given. The part for operation was prepared. Ryles tube aspiration was done. These were repeated on May 4, 1982. Other pre-operative measures were carried out as required.

On May 4, under General anaesthesia, a supra-umbilical transverse incision was given on left side. The left kidney was found lying in transverse position. Renal vessels were found superior to the mass itself. The mass was lying over the aorta from which it was separated and excised. It was about 20 x 25 cms in size; well encapsulated cystic at placement and bony at other places (the small mass felt on examination was found to be the spleen). The retroperitoneal space was drained by a corrugated rubber and the incision was closed in layers and dressings were applied.

On incising the sac of the mass, there was a foetus found with well developed lower limbs;

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the upper limbs, lower trunk, and face were found incompletely developed.

Post-Operatively

All the nursing care required and with regard to the record of vital signs, intake and output, I.V. Infusion and electrolyte balance were meticulously carried out.

Second Day: The child was found to be drowsy, his urine output was low. Lesix 10 mgs was given and Patient was placed in propped up position. Soakage from the wound was moderate.

Third Day: Temperature was fluctuating, glycerine enema was given and the result was good. I.V. fluids and antibiotics were continued.

On May 11, 1982, all the stitches were removed; the wound had healed by first intention. Temperature, pulse and respirations were normal. On May 13, the child was discharged and the parents were asked to bring the child for a follow-up after seven days or even earlier, if there were any complaints from the patient.

After a fortnight, the parents brought the child to the OPD for check up. The child was found in good condition and recouping health. There were no untoward symptoms or complications.

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