# ENDOMETRIOSIS DIAGNOSTIC METHOD, TREATMENT, PROPHYLAXIS

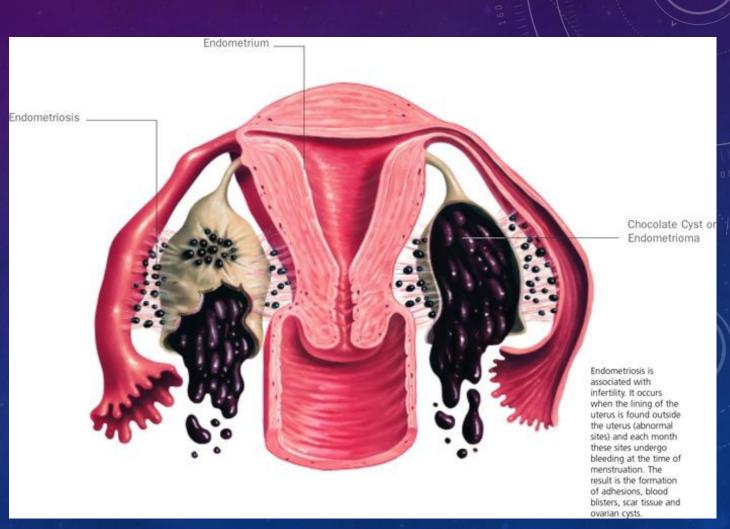
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# Definition

- Endometriosis is a disease in which endometrial glands and stroma implant and grow in areas outside the uterus
- Most commonly implants are found in the pelvis
- Lesions may occur at distant sites: pleural cavity, liver, kidney, gluteal muscles, bladder, etc

#### FEATURES OF ENDOMETRIOSIS

- •Prevalence 2-50% of women; 21-47% of infertility cases
- Exposure to ovarian hormones appears to be essential
- No known racial or socioeconomic predilection
- •Severe disease may occur in families



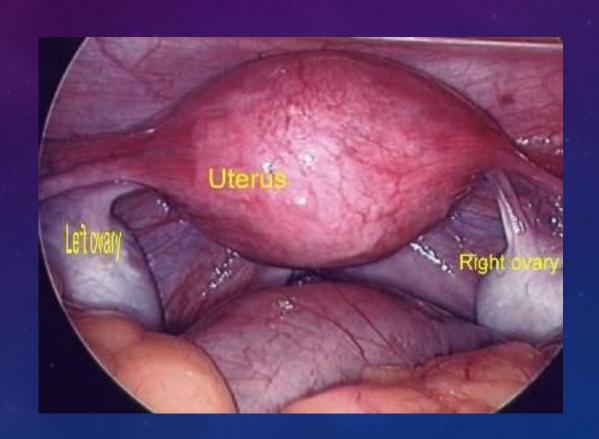
#### IS ENDOMETRIOSIS INCREASING?

- 1965-1984, endometriosis rose from 10 to 19% as primary indication for hysterectomy
- Simultaneously, a trend of more conservative therapies was occurring, which suggests a true increase in the incidence
- Theories include delay of childbearing, less use of OCs, and exposure to environmental toxins such as dioxin

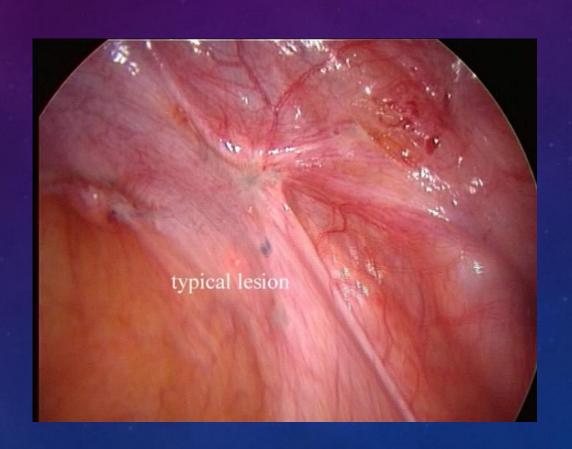
#### ETIOLOGIES OF ENDOMETRIOSIS

- Sampson's theory: Retrograde menses and peritoneal implantation
- –Most women retrograde menstruate
- Meyer's theory: Coelomic metaplasia
- Low incidence of pleural disease
- Halban's theory: Hematogenous or lymphatic spread to distant tissues
- –Does not explain gravity dependent disease sites
- Immunogenic defect

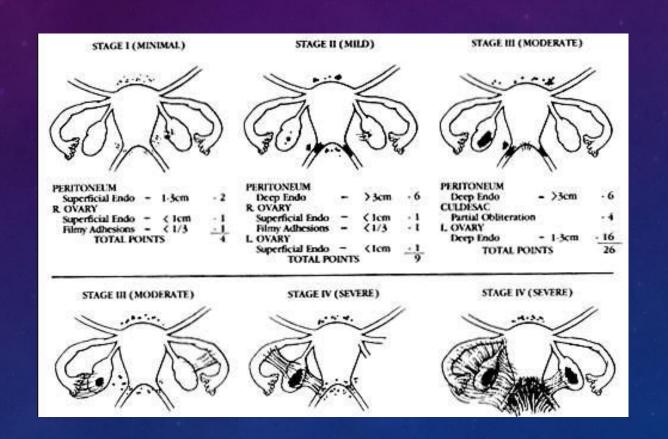
# NORMAL PELVIC STRUCTURES



# **ENDOMETRIOSIS**



#### CLASSIFICATION OF ENDOMETRIOSIS



# CLINICAL PRESENTATION

- Pelvic pain
- <u>•Infertility</u>
- •Pelvic mass

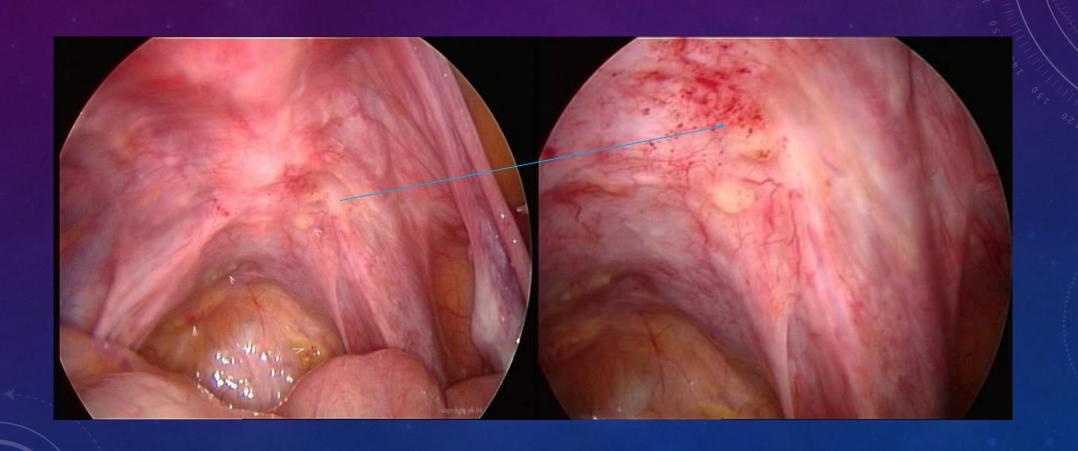
#### PHYSICAL FINDINGS

- Tender nodules along the uterosacral ligaments or in the cul-de-sac, especially just before menses
- Pain or induration without nodules commonly in the cul-de-sac or rectovaginal septum
- Uterine or adnexal fixation, or an adnexal mass

#### DIAGNOSIS OF ENDOMETRIOSIS

- Diagnosis of Endometriosis
- Direct visualization of implants
- Laparoscopically
- Conscious pain mapping
- •Imaging of endometriomas
- MR appears to be best (3 mm implants)
- Ultrasound helpful in office setting
- Biochemical markers
- Lack specificity

# **ENDOMETRIOSIS**



## TREATMENT OF ENDOMETRIOSIS

- Management of pain
- Surgery
- Medical therapy
- Treatment of infertility
- Surgery
- – Ovulation induction
- Assisted reproductive technology

#### MANAGEMENT OF PAIN

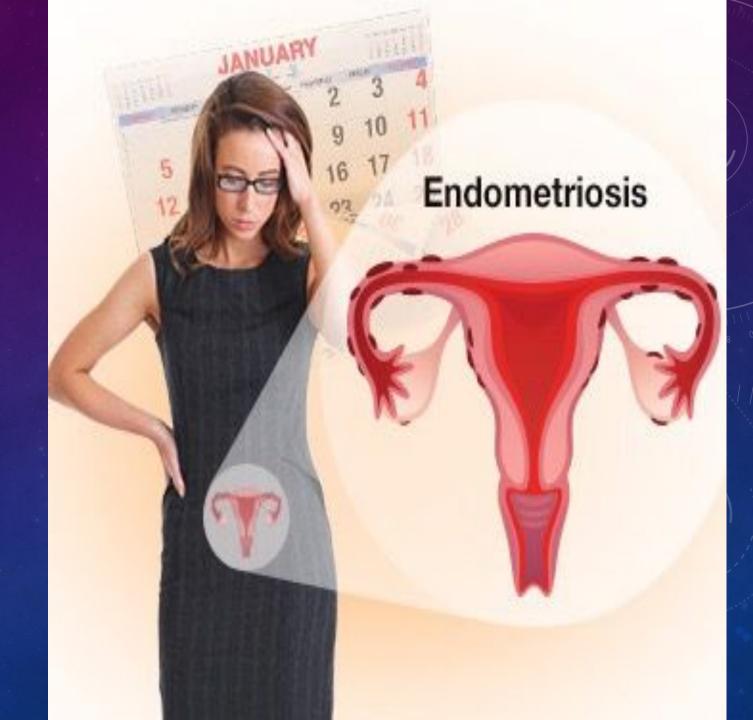
- Surgical treatment
- Ablation of endometrial implants
- Lysis of adhesions
- Ablation of uterosacral nerves
- - Resection of endometriomas
- Combined surgical and medical treatment

#### LOCALIZATION

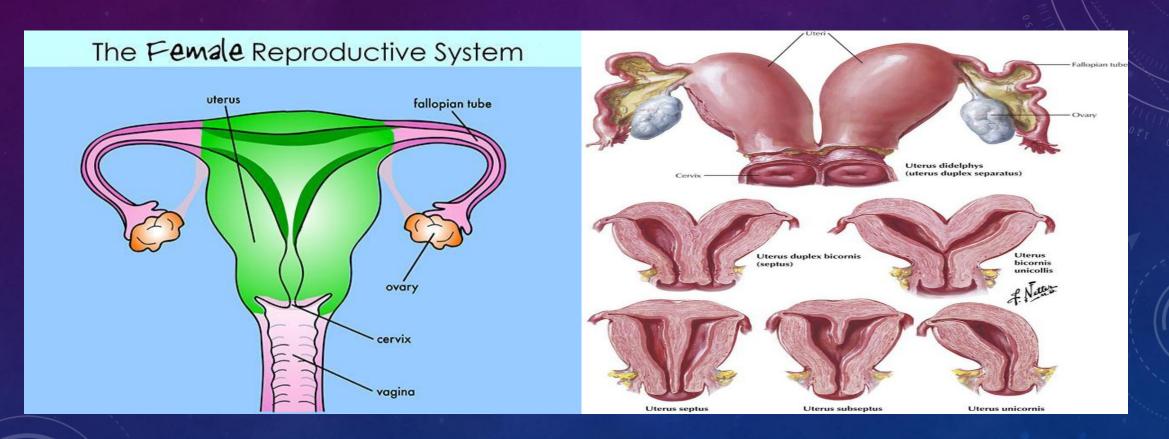
- on or under the ovaries
- behind the uterus
- on the tissues that hold the uterus in place
- on the bowels or bladder

#### **PROPHYLAXIS**

 Research suggests that frequent and early pregnancy, use of oral contraceptives, and daily exercise may all help decrease the overall incidence and severity of endometriosis.



# TRAUMATIC AND ABNORMALITIES OF FEMALE GENITAL ORGAN



#### UTERINE ABNORMALITIES

- double vagina, double cervix and double uterus
- single vagina, single cervix and double single-horned uteruses which are partially fused.
- uterus with midline septum
- arcuate uterus (uterus slightly indented in the middle)
- unicornuate uterus (second blind-ending rudimentary horn).

#### INVESTIGATIONS

- Ultrasound
- Hysterosalpingography, which allows evaluation of the uterine cavity and tubal patency.
- MRI scan, which is considered the best imaging technique for uterine abnormalities.

### Complications

Dysmenorrhoea.

Haematometra.

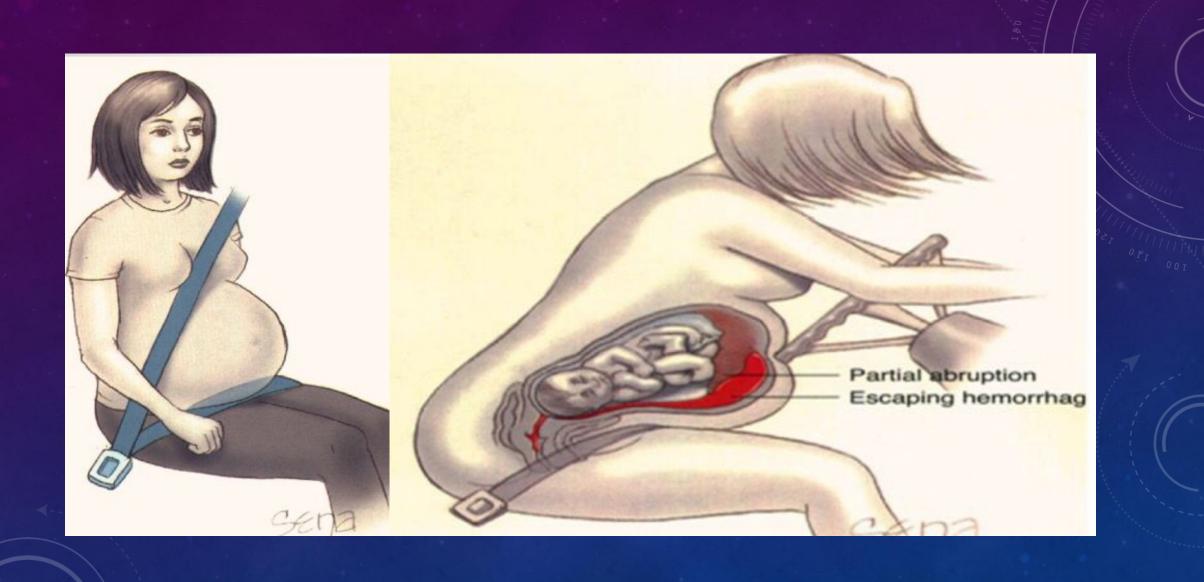
Complications during pregnancy and labour: late miscarriage, uterine rupture, premature labour, malpresentation, obstructed labour, retained placenta, postpartum haemorrhage. Fertility is usually unaffected.

#### MANAGEMENT

- Decision for surgical intervention will depend on the effect of the abnormality on enabling a viable pregnancy.
- A septate vagina and the rudimentary horn of a bicornuate uterus are usually removed.
- Uterine reconstruction is recommended for a bicornuate or septate uterus which is considered to be the cause of recurrent miscarriages.

#### GENITAL TRAUMATIC

- A \_ Obstetric Trauma
- Uterus (Blunt & Penetration)
- Genital Tract (delivery trauma)
- B \_ Gynecologic Trauma
- Blunt
- Penetration



# **DELIVERY TRAUMA**

- Lacerations of the birth canal
- Raptures
- Hematomas
- Injuries to the cervix
- Vaginal laceration

# GENITAL TRACT TRAUMA







