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Title: LAPAROSCOPIC MANAGEMENT OF A NON-COMMUNICATING RUDIMENTARY HORN OF A UNICORNUATE UTERUS: A CASE REPORT

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#### INTRODUCTION

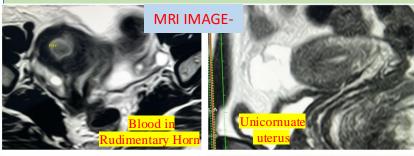
A unicornuate uterus with a non-communicating rudimentary horn is a very rare uterine anomaly of the female genital tract. Estimated frequency of one in 100,000 among the fertile female population. According to ASRM¹-constitutes to 15% of all anomalies and only 22% have a non communicating horn .This anomaly results from incomplete development of one mullerian duct .

# **CASE REPORT**

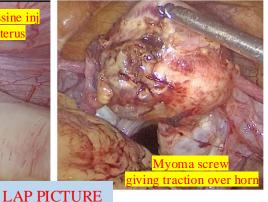
A 23-year-old nulligravida with progressively worsening dysmenorrhea and primary infertility underwent pelvic ultrasound, revealing a unicornuate uterus with an adnexal mass. MRI confirmed a non-communicating rudimentary horn, and laparoscopic excision was scheduled.



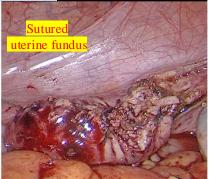
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#### DISCUSSION

Obstructive uterine anomalies can present with cyclic pelvic pain, infertility and complications like ectopic pregnancy or endometriosis. So early diagnosis is imperative and requires modalities of higher visualisation like 3D USG or MRI<sup>2</sup> which is considered gold standard in diagnosis. Treatment of choice is mainly surgical .The main challenge of lap<sup>3</sup> is in identifying the indistinct tissue planes between the horn and the uterus. Vasopressin helped in having a clean surgery.

## **CONCLUSION**

Early diagnosis and prompt operative laparoscopy is the best approach for Type 2b Mullerian abnormalities. Laparoscopy results in better anatomical and reproductive outcomes.

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