

January 2012 and December 2018. Deciduitis was defined as one with inflammatory cell infiltration including plasma cells and lymphocyte infiltration in the decidua or the one with inflammatory cells invading from the decidua to the villus and decidual necrosis. Chorioamnionitis (CAM; C) and deciduitis (D) were assessed microscopically. Then, the patients were classified into the following 4 groups to investigate maternal/clinical backgrounds: C(-)D(-), C(+)D(-), C(-)D(+), and C(+)D(+) group.

Result: CAM and deciduitis were observed in 29 patients (78%) and 21 patients (57%), respectively. There were 4 patients in the C(-)D(-) group, 12 in the C(+)D(-) group, 4 in the C(-)D(+) group, and 17 in the C(+)D(+) group. The average age in the D(+) group was lower than the other groups. The patients in the D(+) group were likely to repeat miscarriage and preterm delivery and get complicated with decidual polyp.

Conclusions: It was suggested that deciduitis is the important factor when taking precautions for the next pregnancy.

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RETROSPECTIVE ANALYSIS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF OPAQUE FETAL MEMBRANE WITH CHORIOAMNIONITIS AND EARLY NEONATAL COMPLICATIONS

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Objective: Opaque fetal membrane is known as one of the abnormal findings of the placental gross screening which has been linked with histological chorioamnionitis (CAM). However, its sensitivity and specificity has not been established for predicting histological CAM or poor neonatal outcome. The aim of the present study is to retrospectively evaluate the association of the opaque fetal membrane with incidence of histological CAM and early neonatal complications.

Methods: Total 571 placentas were retrospectively enrolled to the study, because the records of both gross and histopathological findings were available, among 5201 deliveries at Hamamatsu University Hospital from April 2010 to March 2017. We evaluate the association of the presence of opaque fetal membrane with the incidence of CAM. Then, logistic regression analysis was performed to test if opaque fetal membrane could be a risk factor of neonatal respiratory disorder.

Results: Among 571 placentas, positive opaque fetal membrane was observed in 220 cases, but not in 351 cases. CAM was observed in 180 in the positive group and 97 cases in the negative group. Positive and negative predictive value of CAM were 81% (180/220) and 28% (97/351), respectively. Opaque fetal membrane was identified as the independent risk factor of neonatal complications that could cause breathing problems (OR: 1.81; 95% CI [1.05-3.12]).

Conclusion: Gross screening of opaque fetal membrane is clinically efficient to predict the presence of histological CAM as well as the predisposition to neonatal complications.

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IMPACT OF HUMAN CYTOMEGALOVIRUS INFECTION ON TROPHOBLAST TRANSCRIPTOME

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Objectives: Placental dysfunction is known as a pathological factor triggering fetal growth restriction in human cytomegalovirus(HCMV) infection. This study aimed to investigate the impact of HCMV infection on gene transcriptome in cytotrophoblasts(CTBs) associated with placenta dysfunction.

Methods: Human placentas were obtained from term deliveries. CTBs isolated from the placentas were infected with AD169rev, a HCMV strain. CTBs were collected at 72 hours after infection. The transcriptome profiles were compared between CTBs groups with and without infection by

CAGE-seq. KEGG pathway analysis were utilized in the analysis of the gene expression data. The syncytialization of the CTBs with and without HCMV infection was assessed by hCG secretion and by immunostaining for cell surface desmoplakin.

Results: A total of 629 differentially expressed genes(DEGs) were identified. KEGG pathway analysis demonstrated that DEGs were enriched in the signaling pathways related to cell cycle, focal adhesion. Most of the genes known to be up-regulated with syncytialization were suppressed in the cultured CTBs with HCMV infection. Additionally, this gene suppression under HCMV infection was concurrent with the reduced hCG secretion. Immunostaining for cell surface desmoplakin revealed that HCMV reduced the cell fusion of cultured CTBs. These findings imply that HCMV infection has negative impact on the syncytializing process that is indispensable for the maintenance of virus function.

Conclusion: HCMV infection interferes with gene expression profile and functional differentiation in CTBs.

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A CASE OF PLACENTAL POLYP SAFELY REMOVED WITH HYSTEROSCOPIC OBSERVATION

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Introduction: Placental polyp is a rare disease occurring from placental tissue, which remain in the uterus after miscarriage or delivery. Spontaneous regression is possible. However, an abundant blood flow could lead to a severe hemorrhage by intrauterine manipulation. Here, we report the case with a placental polyp, which was safely removed with hysteroscopic observation.

Case: A 28-year-old G1P0 woman was diagnosed with miscarriage at 12 weeks of pregnancy. The patient underwent dilation and curettage at another hospital. Two months later, she visited the doctor due to missed period. A uterine mass was confirmed, and she was subsequently referred to our hospital. A transvaginal ultrasonography showed a mass measuring 18×11mm with abundant blood flow in the uterine cavity. Her serum hCG was 87.5 IU/ml. MRI revealed a remarkable contrast effect of the tumor and flow void by T2 weighted images. As a consequence, a placental polyp was suspected. Because of childbearing desire, we firstly performed a hysteroscopic observation. Hysteroscopy revealed a broad-sided polyp on the uterine anterior wall. Due to lack of blood flow evaluated by hysteroscopy and ultrasonography, the mass was removed using a curette. Intraoperative blood loss was small. Postoperatively, serum hCG levels became undetectable.

Histological examination was consistent with placental polyp.

Conclusion: Transvaginal ultrasonography and macroscopic observation by hysteroscopy confirmed that the placental polyp's blood flow spontaneously regressed, leading to a successful resection.

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TRANSCRIPTOMIC FEATURES OF HUMAN INDUCED PLURIPOTENT STEM CELL (HIPSC)-DERIVED TROPHOBLAST LINEAGE CELLS

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Objective: In the previous study, we established a culture system of human induced pluripotent stem cell (hiPSC)-derived trophoblast (TB) lineage cells. Although such differentiated cells are heterogeneous, it may be possible to elucidate novel genes expressed in TBs by analyzing their features. In this study, we isolated the cells that expressed the pan-TB marker KRT7, and performed comprehensive gene expression analysis.

Methods: Four types of hiPSCs were treated with 50 ng/mL of BMP4 for 10 days. KRT7-positive cells were purified using flow cytometry and analyzed by DNA microarray. Differences in gene expression profiles between KRT7-positive cells and hiPSCs were compared.