

FETAL CHEST

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Study goal:

To memorize check points in fetal chest scanning

. NORMAL DEVELOPMENT

;respiratory tract and the esophagus are derived from the primitive foregut

0 - 5wks ; embryo

primitive foregut? ? ? ? ? ? branching

5 - 17wks ; pseudoglandular period

main bronchi

appearance of the developing lung.

17 - 24wks ; canalicular period

primitive alveoli

24 - term ; during the terminal sac period

capillaries bulge into the sacs, beginning the facilitation of gas exchange.

Type 1,2 pneumocyte

Three factors for lung development

- adequate thoracic space
- fetal breathing movement
- adequate amniotic fluid volume

SONOGRAPHIC SCANNING

: chest shape

chest size-C.C for 4 chamber level

chest symmetry

cardiac size and morphology

pulmonary echo texture-increased as gestational age

Fetal Thoracic circumference Measurement Table<Chitkara U.Am j Obstet Gynecol 1987>

Chest shape;

Rib should gradually enlarge toward the abdomen in a bell shape.

Thanatophoric dwarf-narrow chest

O.I-multiple rib fracture

TC/AC=0.89±0.06(S.D), constant from 16th week to 40th weeks<Chitkara,1987>

Clavicle;

Cleidocranial dysplasia

Holt-Oram syndrome

Goltz syndrome

Melnick-Needles syndrome

.LUNG MASS LESION

A.Congenital Cystic Adenomatoid Malformation. (CCAM)

Overgrowth of terminal bronchioles

insult at pseudoglandular stage

unilateral 80-95%

the essential feature- usually involve one lobe or segment
excessive overgrowth of the bronchioles,
communicate with the normal trachiobronchial tree
polyhydramnios.(decreased swallowing,eosophagial
compression,increased lung liquid production)

Type I CCAM

*large size ;2-10cm cyst

50%

alveolus-like structures adjacent to or communicating with
the larger cysts.

blood vessels- normal.

Favorable outcome

Type II CCAM

*smaller cysts(> 1cm)-visible by sono

40%
 associated other abnormalities
 renal agenesis
 TOF
 Jejunal atresia
 CDH
 Hydrocephalus
 Skeletal anomaly

Type III CCAM

*solid echogenic mass
 microcystic (2-5mm)
 10%
 poor outcome

Treatment.

Sono F/U. (hydrops-poor prognosis,hydroamniosis-70%)
 May regress
 thoraco-amniotic catheter shunt.
 in utero decompression of cysts.
 in utero surgical excision.-endoscopic ablation<Kings,U.K>

Prognosis

;Poor prognostic factor-polyhydroamniosis
 mediastinal shift

Stillbirth-25%
 Preterm-50%
 Later lobectomy-20
 Spont. Regression-6

Summary of outcome of 132 cases of antenatally diagnosed CCAM

TOP(44)	-	33%
Continuing pregnancy(88)-		67%
Intrauterine death(6)		-5%
Neonatal death(21)		-16%
15 after surgery		
6 before surgery		
Alive(61)		46%
45 after surgery		

B.Laryngeal Atresia.

;three type of laryngeal atresia

Type I : supra- and infraglottic.

Type II : infraglottic.

Type III ; glottic.

- presence of a fluid - filled trachea.

- context of Fraser syndrome ; autosomal recessive disorder

includes other anomalies- ears, nose, genitalia, skeleton,
mentalretardation.

*Esophageal atresia - polyhydramnios (60-70%;after 24wks)

absent stomach bubble (50%)

defection rate(50%).

-management - other severe anomalies:associate

C.Lung sequestration

;an area of the lung is nonfunctioning and receives its blood supply from
the systemic circulation

-Caudally supranumerary lung bud growth

-Lack of communication with the normal bronchial tree.

-lower lung(85%)

Extralobar type(25%) –after pleural development

left side(90%)

Between the lower lobe and diaphragm(m/c)

color doppler ;systemic circulation

its own pleura

fetal hydrops.-poor outcome

asso. Anomaly(59%):CDH,T-E fistula,CHD

sonographic findings:

well-circumscribe echogenic mass in the fetal thorax.

Pleural effusion(50%)

Mediastinal shift(50%)

fetal hydrops.

polyhydramnios

D.Dx; small vessel
- from CCAM
lobar emphysema
CDH

Management; Fetal karyotype
Fetal echocardiogram

Prognosis-if diagnosed prenatally-survival rate 36%
:rarely symptomatic in the neonatal period

Intralobar type (75%)-before pleural development
Asso. Anomaly(10%)
Only one case reported.

D.Bronchogenic Cyst

;Resusults from abnormal development in the budding or branching of the
Trcheobronchial tree.

Not associated with other congenital anomaly
Sonofindings;echogenic mass in the left upper lobe

E.Pleural Effusion.

Primary fetal hydrothorax

Chylothorax(m/c)
Thoracic duct atresia

Secondary fetal hydrothorax

Hydrops fetalis
Chest mass
Posterior urethral valves associated with urinary ascites
Cardic disease(5%)
intrauterine infection(Adeno V)
Chromosomal anomaly(Down-4.9%, Noonan, Turner syndrome)

Management:

;Prenatal karyotype and echocardiogram
1.Observation
2.Thoracentesis
3.Pleuroamniotic shunting after 2 thoracentesis

Prognosis

For thoracentesis,shunting-survival rate 56 to 90%

Primary chylous effusion(unass. with anomaly)-50%<Weber AM,1992>

Prognostic indicators

Characteristics		% Survival
Age at diagnosis	<33 wks	43
	>=33 wks	80
Age at delivery	<35 wks	30
	>=35 wks	79
Spont. Resolution	Yes	100
	No	52
Hydrops	Yes	52
	No	100
Bilateral	Yes	52
	No	100

F.Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia(CDH)

Prognostic factors

Phrenic nerve injury during repair

Location of liver

Long term complication

Heating loss(60%) in CDH survivor

Athma,bronchitis,

reflux scoliosis-muscle pulling,infection

Poor tolerance to effort

G.Cervicomediastinal and Axillary Cystic Hygroma

*Hydrops fetalis- jugular lymphatic obstructive sequence

*Hygroma colli cysticum

*Cystic lymphangioma

Type - simple lymphangioma

- cavernous lymphangioma

- cystic lymphangioma:hygroma