Reviewer's report

Title: Chronic Non Puerperal Uterine Inversion and Necrosis: A Case Report

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Reviewer: Edward Yeomans

Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: Other

If other, please specify:

Only 100 or so cases of nonpuerperal uterine inversion have been reported in the medical literature to date. This report adds to that body of work, but does not represent anything unusual, with the possible of concomitant uterine necrosis.

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is the case report ethical?: Yes

Is there any missing information that you think must be added before publication?: No

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: Yes

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: No

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

Your account of a rare case is interesting and publishable. It contains numerous relatively minor errors which may or may not have been caught in the preparation for publication. Therefore I have included my corrections below:

Abstract: misspelled "salpingo-oophorectomy" - line 5 and all other places in the manuscript. Also in line 5 I would suggest a period after salpingo-oophorectomy, delete "which", and start a new sentence "Pathologic examination revealed...".
Substitute "was diagnosed when" for your phrase "as witnessed by".
Nonpuerperal is one word - change everywhere.

Introduction: In line 4 after "of" add the words "inversion associated with". In line 5 change the word "main" to "contributing" and in line 6 delete "the cause of".

Case report: In line 8 after "nausea.", begin a new sentence: "When the mass.." and delete the word "so". At the top of the next page put a comma after "voiding" and delete "or other symptoms including". At the end of the next paragraph change "urethra" to "urethral meatus" and change "found" to "located". On the next page the sentence that begins "Three days later" needs to be rewritten: "Three days later her biopsy results were negative for cancer."

The paragraph that begins after the words "Figure 2" is poorly worded. I suggest: "We performed a vaginal myomectomy with the goal of restoring the inverted uterus to its normal anatomic state prior to proceeding with vaginal hysterectomy. Under general anesthesia with a halogenated anesthetic agent we unsuccessfully attempted to replace the uterus. Therefore we decided to open the abdomen. After packing the bowel away we inspected the pelvis(Figure 3)". Huntington (not Hunington in this and several places); Haultain (not Haultian)

Change "bilateral" to "both" ureters. I would rewrite the next four sentences as follows: "The patient was discharged home on the third postoperative day and no problems were identified at two post-discharge clinic visits. The pathology report noted a 40 gram leiomyoma with extensive necrosis and a 170 gram uterus with microscopic evidence of endometrial necrosis and inflammation extending into the myometrium." These suggested alterations do not change the content of the manuscript but may enhance the clarity of the report.

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.