

Review of: "[Case Report] Clear Cell Carcinoma of the Ovary with Disseminated Intravascular Coagulation and Haemoperitoneum with Tumour Perforation"

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This report describes a case of a young woman with ovarian clear cell carcinoma who presented with anemia and thrombocytopenia. The pathological diagnosis of the tumor is reasonable enough, as far as can be discerned from the hematoxylin-eosin specimen. The authors' interpretation is that the anemia and thrombocytopenia of this patient resulted from DIC, which was in turn caused by the presence of clear cell carcinoma, and DIC with its accompanying bleeding diathesis caused intraperitoneal bleeding from the ovarian tumor. I wonder whether the intraabdominal (spontaneous) hemorrhage from the ovarian tumor might have been the cause of her cytopenias. A more detailed discussion on this question could make the manuscript more compelling.

Minor comments:

The third paragraph of the Case Presentation has "The blood picture revealed microangiopathic haemolytic anaemia". If the authors mean by this sentence that schistocytes were found in peripheral blood, they should state the finding plainly (microangiopathic hemolytic anemia would be its implication).