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INTRODUCTION

Cesarean is one of the oldest and most commonly performed procedures in obstetrics. This procedure has saved the lives of countless mothers and fetuses in helpless situations. On the other hand, its inappropriate use can be a direct and preventable cause of maternal morbidity and mortality.

With immense advances in anaesthesia, improvements in surgical techniques, availability of antibiotics and blood products, the safety of lower uterine segment cesarean, broadening of indications for cesarean, recognition of fetus as a patient, the feasibility of vaginal birth after cesarean and the acceptance of the procedure by women have characterized the evolution of cesarean during the 20th and the 21st century.

From the early 21st century, the choice for women on the mode of delivery has further added to the evolution of increasing cesarean rates. On the other hand it has simultaneously led to decrease in maternal morbidity and mortality due to the anaesthetic and technical improvements. This has driven many obstetricians to perform more and more cesarean. The increase in cesarean rates has hit both the developed and developing countries.

The rate of cesarean delivery is on the rising trend. According to world health statistics, the rate of cesarean in India between the year 2005 and 2010 is **9**%(8). This is still increasing and it is alarming that the cesarean rate in India is more in the states of Kerala, Andhrapradesh, Goa, and Tamilnadu with Chennai having a cesarean rate of around 40%. The cesarean rate in our Institute- IOG is 40% during 2010-2011.

Since cesarean is the most commonly performed operation in obstetrics, there is always a need to invent and analyse the best and safest technique in terms of maternal morbidity, cost and also the one which poses little or no complications.

Due to the escalating rise in cesarean there is a secondary rise in repeat cesarean which in turn add on to the maternal morbidity and mortality due to placenta previa, accreta, urinary tract injuries etc..

There are many variations in the surgical procedure of cesarean each one of them aiming at reducing the blood loss, time taken for surgery, febrile morbidity, post operative infectious morbidity, length of hospital stay, and the costs incurred and thus the overall economical burden on health. This study is aimed to compare the two methods of uterine closure (hysterorrhaphy) during cesarean namely the exteriorization and the insitu repair.

AIM OF THE STUDY

To compare the influence of the two methods of cesarean- exteriorisation and insitu repair of the uterus on cesarean morbidity.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

CESARIAN DELIVERY: Defined as the birth of the fetus through incision in the abdominal wall (LAPAROTOMY) and the uterine wall (HYSTEROTOMY)(1).

The term 'cesarean section' is a tautology both meaning the same 'to cut'. Hence cesarean delivery or cesarean operation is a better
terminology than cesarean section.

EXTERIORIZATION: After the delivery of the fetus and placenta, the uterus is temporarily taken out of the abdominal cavity and placed on the draped mother's anterior abdominal wall for uterine closure and then repositioned again into the abdominal cavity once closure is over.

INSITU REPAIR: After delivery of the fetus and placenta the uterus is not taken out. Uterine closure is performed with uterus in its original place in the abdominal cavity.

There are only few randomized controlled studies on the safety of each of the techniques with some suggesting that exteriorisation is associated with less blood loss, less post operative febrile morbidity and saves time while others found no association of such results between the two.

ETYMOLOGY: The three explanations for the origin of the word cesarean

are as follows.

1. BIRTH OF JULIUS CAESAR:

Since Julius Caesar was born by cesarean delivery in 100 BC it gave birth to the origin of the term cesarean. This explanation has its own flaw as the first performed operations were done on a dead or dying woman and mother of Julius Caesar- Aurelia lived several years after his birth.

2." LEX CAESAREA":

Numa Pompilius, a Roman Emperor in 8th century BC created a law called LEX REGIA meaning that operation may be performed on a woman dying in the last few weeks of pregnancy hoping to save the child. This LEX REGIA later became "LEX CAESARIA" (1)

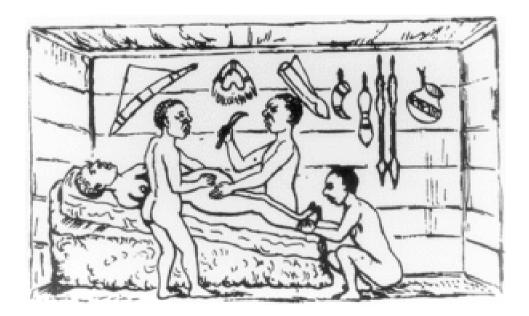
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3." CAEDERE":

The word caesarean was derived from the Latin word "caedere" meaning to cut.

HISTORY

In olden days cesarean was performed to deliver the fetus out of a dying or dead woman in the hope of saving the baby and also on the religious grounds that the baby might be separately buried from the dead mother. It was also performed as a last resort of delivery and did not intend to save the life of woman. But things gradually changed after the 19th century where it was done for either maternal or fetal indications.



The first written record of both mother and the infant surviving cesarean is from Switzerland in 1500(3). This was performed by Jacob Nufer on his wife.(2) The woman was unable to deliver the fetus even after many a

days in labour and though helped by thirteen midwives. The desperate husband Jacob Nufer after obtaining permission from the local bodies attempted cesarean. Both the mother and the infant survived. The mother lived and subsequently gave birth to 5 other children. Bindhusara, the second Mauryan Samrat was born by cesarean. His mother consumed poison accidentally when she was about to deliver him. Chanakya, Chandragupta's teacher decided that the baby must survive and he cut open the abdomen of the queen to deliver the baby. Luzhong who was the sixth generation yellow emperor had six sons who were all born by cesarean. Furbaide Ferbend was born by cesarean when his mother was murdered by his evil aunt .Raymond Nonnatus had his surname nonnatus from Latin word meaning 'not born'. He was born by cesarean.Rostam the National Legendary hero of Iran was born by cesarean which is mentioned in the book Shahnameh in 1000AD.All the procedures had a very high mortality rate around 90 to 100 percent(3). The reasons were

- Cesarean was performed on the exhausted, infected and severely dehydrated women in many hours of prolonged labour as a last resort.
- 2. The uterus was left unsutured which resulted in life threatening hemorrhage, shock and septicemia

Lebas first advocated uterine suturing in 1769 but then it was not popular atleast for a century.

PORRO'S OPERATION:

Understanding the problems of sepsis and hemorrhage, *Eduardo Porro* of Italy performed cesarean followed by subtotal hysterectomy in 1876(11). After hysterectomy, the cervical stump was sutured to the lower end of abdomen wound to control hemorrhage and to clear off the septic drainage. With the introduction of this procedure, the maternal mortality reduced to half of the initial 80 to 90%

19th Century:

The next level of development aimed at reducing the risk of sepsis and preservation of uterus. *Ferdinand Ritgen* performed a lateral extraperitoneal cesarean to preserve the uterus in 1821. *Fritz Frank* modified the transperitoneal cesarean by suturing the visceral peritoneum to the margins of abdominal wall incision for the septic drainage.

Ferdinand Kehrer in 1881 performed a transverse lower segment cesarean(11) and it was him who first emphasized the method of double layer closure of uterine wound. The first layer involving the uterine muscle and the second layer involving the peritoneum.

FERDINAND KEHRER



Max Saenger in 1882 perfomed cesarean with a longitudinal incision on the uterus which was called as the Classical cesarean(11). He meticulously did double layer suturing of the incision with silver wire. Kehrer's transverse lower segment cesarean was forgotten as Saenger's classical cesarean gained popularity.

MAX SAENGER



Murdoch Cameron of Britain adopted the classical cesarean. In the year 1888, he began doing elective cesarean in rachitic dwarfs with CPD. In the first 2 years after he started the elective classical cesarean, 22 out of 23 women survived cesarean which was a great success. Again a dramatic change occurred in the history of cesarean when Munro kerr in 1911 performed the lower segment tranverse cesarean which was originally done by Kehrer in 1881(11). He advocated the advantages of lower segment transverse incision which are as follows.

- 1. less blood loss
- 2. better healing since the lower uterine segment is less contractile
- 3. less incidence of scar rpture in the future pregnancy

MUNRO KERR



The concept of asepsis owes its origin to *Ignaz Semmelweis* who proved washing hands before delivery decreased the incidence of puerperal fever. The first modern cesarean was performed by *Ferdinand Adolf Kehrer* in 1881 which was a lower segment transverse cesarean. The first woman to do a cesarean on herself is *Ines Ramirez* on march 5, 2000.

The technique of exteriorization at cesarean was described by *SANGER* in 1882(19) and the same was modified by *LEOPOLD* in 1884. *PORTES* and *PHANEUF* advocated it in this century.

ANATOMY OF THE UTERUS

Uterus is a pear shaped fibromuscular organ of the female reproductive system. It is situated in the pelvis between the bladder anteriorly and rectum posteriorly.

The uterus varies in size and shape through various stages of life mainly influenced by age and parity(6). Before puberty, length of the uterus varies between 2.5 and 3cm. In the adult nulliparous state, uterine length is about 6-8cm and in multipara it is about 9-10cm. Uterus weighs about 50-70g in the non-pregnant state to about 1000g at term pregnancy. Its capacity is about 4ml in non pregnancy to about 4000mlat term gestation.

Uterus is divided into three portions namely the uterine body or the corpus, the isthmus and the cervix. The inside of the uterus is hollow and is called the endometrial cavity.

The isthmus is that portion of the uterus between the anatomical internal os and the histological internal os the former being higher. The portion of the uterus above the isthmus is the corpus and below it is called the cervix.

The uterus is made up of three layers namely

- The inner endometrium
- Middle myometrium
- Outer serosal layer

The mucosal layer is called the endometrium which is composed of the glands, stroma and blood vessels.

The myometrium:

It is made up of 3 layers of non striated muscle fibres.

1. The outer longitudinal layer which runs anteroposteriorly over the fundus and is continuos with the fallopian tube and ligaments.

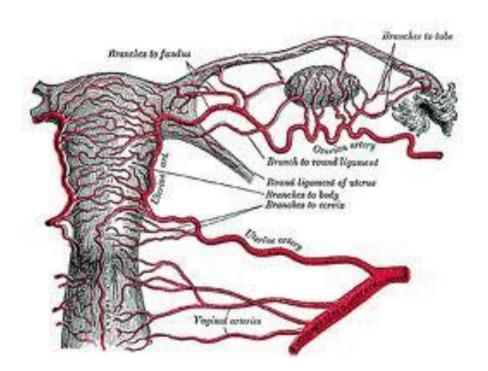
2.Inner circular muscle layer which is prominent near the orifices such as the tubal ostia and the internal os.

3.In between these two layers is the *interlacing muscle fibres* in the form of figure of 8 around the blood vessels. This layer is physiologically very important as the contraction of these muscle fibre act as 'living ligatures' and effectively control hemorrhage. The bulk of muscle fibres decrease from above downwards.

Cervix: The portion of the uterus below the isthmus which is made up of collage, connective tissue, muscle fibres, blood vessels.

BLOOD SUPPLY OF THE UTERUS:

The uterus derives its arterial supply mainly from the uterine and ovarian arteries. Abdominal aorta bifurcates into right and left common iliac vessels at the level of fourth lumbar vertebra. Each common iliac vessel divides into internal iliac and external iliac vessels. Each internal iliac artery runs medio inferiorly along the psoas muscle to divide into anterior and posterior divisions.



The uterine artery is a main branch of anterior division of internal iliac artery(6). It runs downward, forward and medially in the base of the broad ligament, crosses the ureter and turns medially to run along the lateral border of the uterus. The crossing of uterine artery over the ureter ("water under the bridge") 2 cm lateral to the cervix is surgically

important as the ureteric injury can occur at the time of uterine artery ligation or hysterectomy.

The uterine artery before turning medially gives off an inferior branch- the cervicovaginal artery which supplies the lower portion of cervix and upper portion of vagina. The main artery (now the marginal artery) runs in the broad ligament along the lateral border of uterus in a tortuous fashion and gives off three terminal branches- the ovarian, tubal, fundal.

The ovarian branch anastomoses with the ovarian artery while the tubal branch runs along the mesosalpinx to supply the fallopian tube. The main uterine artery while running along the lateral border of the uterus, gives off branches to the myometrium called the arcuate arteries. These arcuate arteries enter obliquely and run parallel to the surface of the uterus to meet the arcuate arteries of the opposite side and thus encircle the entire uterus. From the arcuate arteries, radial arteries branch off at right angles which run towards the endometrium and divide into the short basal arteries and long coiled spiral arteries. The basal arteries supply the basal endometrium and the spiral arteries supply the middle and superficial parts of the endometrium.

VENOUS DRAINAGE:

Veins from the fundus of uterus, fallopian tube and ovary unite to form the pampiniform plexus of veins. From this plexus two ovarian veins emerge and later fuse to form a single ovarian vein. The left ovarian vein joins the left renal vein and the right ovarian vein drains into the inferior vena cava. The uterine veins accompany the uterine arteries and end in the corresponding internal iliac veins.

LYMPHATIC DRAINAGE:

- The lymphatics from the body of the uterus drain into internal iliac and periaortic lymph nodes.
- The lymphatics from the cervix drain into internal iliac group of nodes

NERVE SUPPLY:

The nerve supply is principally derived from the sympathetic nervous system and partly from the cerebrospinal and parasympathetic system. The sympathetic system enters the pelvis through the hypogastric plexus just below the sacral promontory. After descending on either side, it also enters the uterovaginal plexus of Frankenhauser which consists of ganglia of various sizes situated on either side on the cervix just above

the posterior fornix and infront of the rectum. Branches from these plexus supply the uterus, bladder and upper part of vagina.

The parasympathetic system consists of the pelvic nerve on either sides which contain fibres from S2, S3, S4 nerves and end in the ganglion of Frankenhauser.

The sympathetic fibres cause muscular contraction and vasoconstriction whereas the parasympathetic system inhibit contraction and causes vasodilatation. Since the Frankenhauser plexus is derived from both sources, it has certain functions of both the components of autonomic nervous system.

The T11 and T12 nerve roots carry sensory fibres from the uterus, transmitting the pain of uterine contractions to the central nervous system.

INCIDENCE OF CESAREAN DELIVERY

There is a universal upswing in cesarean rate both in the developed and developing countries. Over the past 20 years there is an alarming rise in cesarean rate all around the world including India.

A study from the United Kingdom (Bragg et al 2010) showed that among 620,604 singleton births, 147,726 i.e 23.8% were delivered by cesarean(5). Women were more likely to have a cesarean section if they had had one previously(70.8%) or had a baby with breech presentation(89.8%).

A survey of cesarean rates in Latin America showed that the median rate of cesarean was 33% with the highest rates in private hospitals(51%) (Villar et al).

In the United States, the overall cesarean rate was 32% in 2007(Hamilton et al 2009) (5).

The contributing factors to the rise in cesarean rates are multifactorial.

- 1. increase in the number of women with a prior cesarean
- 2. multifetal gestation
- 3. use of intrapartum electronic fetal monitoring
- 4. changes in obstetric training
- 5. medicolegal concerns

- 6. alterations in the parental and societal expectations of pregnancy outcome
- 7. woman's autonomy in decision making regarding the mode of delivery
- 8. breech presentation
- 9. induction of labour

THE UNITED STATES: In 1984, cesarean was the number one hospital procedure in United States accounting for 21% of all deliveries. In 1980s and 1990s the advocacy of VBAC led to a temporary decrease in the incidence of cesarean – around 20.5% in 1996. The concern about the potential complications of VBAC led to its decrease. By 2006 cesarean rate increased to 31.1%, a 50% increase over the previous decade.

EUROPE AND UNITED KINGDOM: There is a trend towards increased cesarean rate with wide National variation. In Norway,cesarean rate was 2.5% in 1972, 12.8% in 1987, 13.6% in 1999, and 15% in 2004.

In ENGLAND, the cesarean rate was 9% in 1980, 13% in 1992, 21.3% in 2000, and 23% in 2004.

ITALY has one of the highest rates of cesarean in the world about 40%

in 2005 from 22.5% in 1995.

AUSTRALIA also has a continual increase in cesarean rate with 30.8%

in 2006

The contrary situation exists in the SubSaharan Africa i.e very

low cesarean rates generally less than 5% reported for many years. This

most likely reflects the inadequate access to medical services in the

economically depressed countries. There also exists a high maternal and

perinatal mortality rates in the same regions.

ETHIOPIA-0.6% in 2000

ZAMBIA-2% in 2001

GHANA-4.2% in 2003

KENYA-4.2% in 2003

There appears a strong association between the cesarean rates and the

socio economic wealth of the Nation

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THE INDIAN SCENARIO:

A collaborative study done by the Indian Council of Medical Research in the 1980s showed a cesarean rate of 13.8% in the teaching hospitals of India(ICMR 1990)(5). KAMBO et al 2002 studied the rising rate of cesarean in the teaching hospitals in India and compared the rates between 1993-1994 and 1998-1999. It was 21.8 % in 1993-1994 which rose to 25.4% in 1998-1999. An alarming fact was that 42.4% were performed on primigravidas and 31% were from rural areas. Between 1990and 1992 the repeat section rate was between 30 to 45% in teaching hospitals in Madurai and Chennai, India(Rao et al 1994)

In a study over a 2 year period in an urban area of India, the total cesarean rates even in the public and charitable sectors were 20% and 38% respectively. In the private sector, the rate was astonishing 47% (Sreevidya and Sathyasekaran 2003). A similar study from the affluent part of Chennai showed that almost 1 out of 2 women (45%) had a cesarean (PAI et al 1999).

TRENDS IN CESAREAN IN INDIA

Country and	NFHS 1	NFHS 2	NFHS 3
states	1992-1993	1998-1999	2005-2006
India	2.9%	7.1%	10.6%
kerala	13.2%	29.8%	30.1%
Andhra pradesh	4.4%	14.7%	27.5%
Goa	13.7%	20%	25.5%
Tamilnadu	7.1%	17.5%	23%
Bihar	1.1%	3%	4.1%
Rajasthan	0.7%	3%	4.2%

According to the National Family Health Survey 1, 2 and 3 reports, the steadily rising trend in cesarean is so obvious in various states of India.

- The highest rates are seen in affluent state like Kerala with 30.1%, Andhra pradesh with 27.5%, and Goa with 25.5% (14).
- Tamilnadu ranks 4th with a cesarean rate of 23%.
- The lowest rates are seen in Bihar and Rajasthan which are economically backward states with poor access to medical services.

WORLD HEALTH STATISTICS-2012- WHO

According to WORLD HEALTH STATISTICS-2012 published by WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION, the rate of cesarean birth is 9% in the South East Asian Regions between the year 2005-2010(8).

- Region of Americas- 35%
- Western Pacific Region- 24%
- European Region- 22%
- Eastern Mediterranean Region- 16%
- South East Asian Region- 9%
- African Region- 4%

The highest cesarean rates are seen in

- Mauritius- 44%
- Iran- 40%
- Italy- 38%
- Portugal- 36%

The lowest rates are seen in the economically poor countries.

- Ethiopia- 1%
- Niger- 1%
- Madagascar- 2%

In INDIA, the cesarean rate between 2005-2010 is 9% (8).

TYPES OF CESARIAN:

There are 2 types based on whether the woman is in labour or not.

1. ELECTIVE OR PLANNED CESAREAN:

When cesarean is done for a woman who is not in labour for a specific indication it is called elective or planned cesarian. This is done after 39 weeks to avoid respiratory complications of the newborn(4).

2. EMERGENCY CESAREAN:

When cesarean is done in a labouring woman it is called emergency cesarian(4).

INDICATIONS:

The most common indications are as follows. 85 percent of the indications fall within the following.

- 1. Dystocia
- 2. Fetal distress
- 3. Previous cesarean delivery
- 4. Breech presentation

NICE GUIDELINE 2004: According to this guideline the various indications for cesarean fall into 4 categories(7).

CATEGORY 1: Immediate threat to the life of woman or fetus

- Abruptio placenta with abnormal fetal heart rate or uterine irritability
- Cord prolapse
- Scar rupture
- Prolonged bradycardia
- Scalp pH < 7.2

Fetus should be delivered within 30 minutes.

CATEGORY 2: Maternal or fetal compromise which is not immediately life threatening.

• Failure to progress with pathological CTG

CATEGORY 3: No maternal or fetal compromise but needs early delivery

- Severe preeclampsia
- IUGR with poor fetal function test
- Failed induction of labour

CATEGORY 4: Delivery timed to suit woman or staff (Elective)

- Twin gestation with first twin in non cephalic presentation
- Maternal HIV
- Primary genital herpes
- Grade 3 and grade 4 placenta previa
- Term singleton breech when external cephalic version is contraindicated or failed.
- Previous hysterotomy or classical cesarean

CONTRAINDICATIONS TO CESARIAN:

- Trisomy 13
- Trisomy 18
- Anencephaly

NEED NOT BE OFFERED:

- Twin gestation with first twin in cephalic presentation.
- Preterm birth
- SGA baby
- Hepatitis B
- Hepatitis C
- Recurrent genital herpes at term with no visible lesions

TYPES OF SKIN INCISION: The different types of skin incision in cesarean are as follows.

- Pfannensteil's incision
- Joel Cohen's incision
- Maylard's incision

- Cherney's incision
- Midline vertical and
- Paramedian incision

PFANNENSTEIL'S INCISION: It is a transverse, slightly upward curving incision placed above the pubic symphisis at the upper border of the pubic hair.

JOEL COHEN INCISION: It is a straight transverse incision higher than the Pfannensteil incision about 3 cm below the imaginary line joining the anterior superior iliac spines.

MAYLARD'S INCISION: It is a subumbilical transverse incision(muscle splitting incision) and is longer than the Pfannensteil incision

CHERNEY'S INCISION: It is similar to Maylard's incision but a muscle cutting incision.

MIDLINE VERTICAL INCISION: It is a vertical incision in the midline. This can be used in cases of central placenta previa, placenta accreta anticipating cesarean hysterectomy and internal iliac artery ligation.

PARAMEDIAN INCISION: Not preferred nowadays

TYPES OF UTERINE INCISION:

TRANSVERSE INCISION:

• **KERR'S INCISION:** It is a transverse incision on the lower uterine segment and it is the recommended incision for most cesarean(4).

ADVANTAGES:

- Less blood loss
- Less need for bladder dissection
- **Easy re-approximation**
- ➤ Lower risk of rupture in subsequent pregnancies(0.2-1.5%)

DISADVANTAGES:

- Lateral extension may occur causing laceration of the uterine vessels.
- **OTHERS:** J, T, inverted T shaped incisions. These are used when there is difficulty in delivery. All have the risk of uterine rupture in the subsequent pregnancy

VERTICAL INCISION:

or CLASSICAL VERTICAL: A vertical incision that extends into the upper segment of the uterus/fundus is called the classical incision. This incision is not performed in modern obstetrics.

INDICATION:

Quick delivery(tubal ligation should also be carried out)

DISADVANTAGE:

➤ High chance for rupture uterus(even spontaneous when patient is not in labour) in the next pregnancy(4-9%)

• KRONIG'S INCISION: (DE LEE, CORNEL)

It is a low vertical incision in the lower uterine segment and as strong as the low transverse incision. There is no increased risk of this incision when compared to a low transverse incision(4).

DISADVANTAGE:

Incision can extend upwards into the fundus or downwards into the bladder, cervix or vagina.

TYPES OF UTERINE REPAIR:

> EXTERIORISATION:

After the delivery of the fetus and placenta, the uterus is delivered out of the abdominal cavity and placed on the draped anterior abdominal wall for uterine closure. After the closure, uterus is placed back in its original position into the abdominal cavity.



➤ INSITU REPAIR(intraperitoneal , intracavitary, intraabdominal, non- exteriorisation):

After the delivery of the fetus and placenta, uterus is not taken out of the abdominal cavity. Uterine closure is carried out with uterus in its original place.



COMPLICATIONS OF CESAREAN:

Cesarean is one of the major abdominal surgical procedures and is thus subject to the standard complications- anaesthetic, medical, surgical associated with any laparotomy(10) **INTRAOPERATIVE COMPLICATIONS:** It occurs in 12-15% of the

women. The main complications are

• Anaesthesia related

• Hemorrhage

• Uterine or uterocervical lacerations

• urinary tract injuries

• gastrointestinal tract injuries

• difficulty in delivering the fetus

• perinatal asphyxia

• Anaesthesia related: it includes

• Aspiration syndrome

Hypotension

High spinal

Spinal headache

HEMORRHAGE (7-9%):

Hemorrhage may be related to the operative procedure such as

damage to the uterine vessels or incidental like atonic PPH, placenta

previa, placenta accreta. Traumatic deliveries or poor delivery technique

are associated with increased frequency of operative lacerations. The

uterus, vagina and the broad ligament may get lacerated. Lacerations

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involving the uterine tissue are usually repaired without difficulty whereas vertical extension into the vagina and lateral extension into the broad ligament are associated with substancial blood loss and their repair may incur ureteric injury.

The incidence of placenta previa and accreta are increasing owing to rise in cesarean rates. These conditions significantly contribute to obstetric hemorrhage specifically when they are associated with previous cesarian deliveries. The effective management of placenta accreta requires Total Abdominal Hysterectomy although others like uterine compression sutures and leaving the placenta in situ have been reported. These procedures involve more blood loss and a number of transfusions of blood and blood products.

Risk factors predisposing to intraoperative hemorrhage:

- Atonicity
- Traumatic deliveries
- Placenta previa and accreta
- Abruption placenta
- Extremes of fetal birth weight
- BMI >25
- Classical cesarean

LACERATIONS:

5-10% of intraoperative complications occur due to uterine or uterocervical lacerations. It may be due to angle extension involving the uterine arteries, lateral extension into the broad ligament involving the ureter or vertical extension into the cervix and vagina

Risk factors predisposing to lacerations:

- Low station of the presenting part
- Cesarean at second stage of labour
- Birth weight >4000g
- Malpresentation
- Internal podalic version
- Increased maternal age
- Category 1 cesarean
- Others:
 - ➤ Medical complications of the mother are additional factors that predispose to intraoperative complications especially during emergency cesarean
 - ➤ Hypertensive disorders of pregnancy
 - ➤ Heart disease complicating pregnancy
 - ➤ Gestational diabetes
 - > Anemia

- > Thyroid disorders
- > Bronchial asthma
- > Epilepsy
- ➤ Autoimmune disorders like SLE, APLA, ITP...
- ➤ Obesity
- ➤ Urinary tract injuries: Injuries to the urinary bladder occur with variable incidence during the course of cesarean.
- ➤ Pfannensteil incision with lower entry into peritoneal cavity may cause inadvertent cystotomy
- ➤ Cesarean after a prolonged or obstructed labour where the bladder is drawn cephalad
- Scarring and secondary obliteration of vesicouterine space following previous cesarean
- ➤ Low vertical cesarean

POST OPERATIVE COMPLICATIONS:

It occurs in about one third of the women undergoing cesarean.

- Endometritis(5%)
- Wound infection(3-27%)
- Urinary tract infections
- Venous thromboembolism

- Pulmonary atelectasis
- Risk factors:

Preoperative remote infection

Chorioamnionitis

Maternal severe systemic disease

Increased blood loss

Nulliparity

REMOTE COMPLICATIONS: Following are the late complications in subsequent pregnancies.

- Uterine rupture(1in 200 with spontaneous labour)(10)
- Placenta previa(47% increase of background risk)
- Placenta accreta
- Antepartum still birth(risk increases with a previous lscs)
- Women undergoing multiple cesarean (≥3) are at higher risk
 of

Excessive blood loss

Difficult delivery of the fetus

Dense adhesions

Complications are increased with increasing number of cesarean

• 4% for 2nd

• 8% for 3rd

• 13% for 4th

A NOTE ON CDMR AND POSTMORTEM CESAREAN:

CDMR: Cesarean delivery on maternal request

CDMR by itself is not an indication for cesarean. The woman

should be counselled regarding the pros and cons of both vaginal and

cesarean deliveries. The concept of CDMR has given rise to a significant

increase in the incidence of cesarean and therefore the repeat cesarean in

many developed countries and also the developing nations.

According to the NIH- National Institute Of Health-2006

• CDMR should be avoided by those who want several children

• should not be done before 39th week of gestation as it is associated

with respiratory complications of the newborn or before verifying

the lung maturity of the fetus.

Nevertheless, CDMR has the benefits for both mother and the baby

as it decreases the risk of hemorrhage and birth injuries.

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• CDMR is associated with a longer stay in the hospital than vaginal delivery and also increases the chance of placenta previa and placenta accreta in the future pregnancy.

POSTMORTEM AND PERIMORTEM CESAREAN:

'It is indeed, possible to save a child by the cesarean operation, or cutting it out of the womb of its mother just expired; but what man in his senses would put his character upon this footing'-

EDMUND CHAPMAN

Cesarean is performed on the dying or dead woman in view of saving the baby. There is evidence of neurological injury within 6 minutes of cessation of blood flow to the brain in the mother. Hence the fetus should be ideally delivered within 5 minutes of starting CPR to the mother. Classical cesarean is often done to facilitate urgent delivery. This is beneficial to both the mother and the fetus. Around half the women show improvement in hemodynamic status immediately after the uterus was emptied by cesarean.

STUDY DETAILS

STUDY DESIGN:

Randomised prospective study

STUDY PERIOD:

1 YEAR (2011-2012)

SETTING:

Institute of Obstetrics and Gynecology,

Egmore, Chennai 600008

POPULATION:

200 subjects undergoing primary cesarean for delivery

INCLUSION CRITERIA:

- 1. Primi undergoing LSCS
- 2. Multigravida undergoing first LSCS

EXCLUSION CRITERIA:

- 1. Placenta previa
- 2. Abruptio placenta
- 3. Anemia Hb < 11g/dl
- 4. Previous cesarean
- 5. Multiple pregnancy
- 6. Chorioamnionitis
- 7. Rupture uterus
- 8. Obstructed labour
- 9. Prolonged rupture of membranes

PRIMARY OUTCOME MEASURES:

1. Perioperative Hemoglobin changes:

- Preoperative Hb
- Postoperative Hb

2. Intraoperative hemodynamic changes:

Two readings of pulse rate, mean arterial pressure, spo2 were noted. First reading at the time of skin incision and second one at the time of uterine closure.

- 3. No of vomiting episodes
- 4. Time taken for surgery
- **5. Post operative infection**
- 6. No of days of hospital stay

SECONDARY OUTCOME MEASURES:

- 1. Shock
- 2. Pulmonary embolism
- 3. Deep vein thrombosis

METHODOLOGY:

Ethical committee clearance was obtained from Institution's Ethics Committee, Madras Medical College and Research Institute, Chennai-600003. Two hundred subjects undergoing primary cesarean were selected for the study based on the inclusion and exclusion criteria. Each subject was allocated randomly to either group. Procedure was performed by Assistants and trained Residents who were familiar with both the methods. Women were recruited from antenatal wards and labour ward. Informed consent was obtained from all the women.100 women were randomized to exteriorisation group and 100 women to insitu repair.

PREOPERATIVE PREPARATION:

- Preparation of abdomen and perineum
- IV line secured and blood collected for grouping and cross matching
- Preoperative hemoglobin and time since last solid/ liquid food was noted
- Injection Ampicillin 1g given intravenously after test dose 1
 hour before or just before surgery in case of emergency

- Injection Ranitidine 50mg intravenous and injection Perinorm
 10mg intramuscular given
- Bladder catheterization done

SURGICAL TECHNIQUE:

Under spinal anaesthesia, patient in supine position with 15' tilt towards the leftside, abdomen opened by Pfannensteil incision. Blunt dissection of the layers carried out. Dextrorotation corrected. UV fold of peritoneum identified, cut and separated with fingers. Lower uterine segment identified.Lower segment cesarean section done by transverse incision. Baby delivered. Injection Syntocin 10 units added to the drip by the anaesthetist. Umbilical cord clamped and cut between the clamps. Baby handed over to pediatrician. Spontaneous separation of the placenta Uterine cavity mopped with a sterile pad. Placenta and awaited. membranes delivered in toto ensuring no retained bits. Uterine incision closed in two layers using No 2 and No 1 chromic catgut. Both visceral and parietal peritoneum left unsutured. Rectus sheath closed with No 1-0 prolene. Subcutaneous layer if needed was closed with No 1 chromic catgut. Skin was closed subcuticularly with No 1-0 prolene.

EXTERIORISATION AND REPAIR:

After the delivery of the fetus and placenta, Uterus is taken out of the abdominal cavity and placed over the mother's anterior abdominal wall and closure is done. Once closure is over uterus is placed back inside the abdominal cavity.

INSITU REPAIR: After the delivery of the fetus and the placenta, uterine incision is closed with uterus is in its original position i.e inside the abdominal cavity

The two groups varied only in the choice of uterine closure whether exteriorisation and repair or insitu repair. The other steps were the same in both the groups.

INTRAOPERATIVE MONITORING:

Two readings of pulse rate, mean arterial pressure (calculated from systolic and diastolic blood pressure), oxygen saturation of the tissues (spo2 using pulse oxymetry) were noted. The first reading was noted at he time of skin incision and second reading at the time of uterine incision closure whichever method is followed. Number of vomiting episodes (1,2,...) and time taken for surgery in minutes (from the time of skin incision to skin closure) were also noted.

POSTOPERATIVE MONITORING AND CARE:

Subjects were monitored in the post operative ward. Half hourly pulse chart, fourth hourly temperature chart and any excessive bleeding per vaginum were monitored carefully in the first 24 hours. Intravenous antibiotics ampicillin 1g gentamycin 80 mg and metronidazole 500mg given to all the women until the 2nd post operative day followed by oral antibiotics till day 7. Clear fluids started 6 hours after surgery followed by liquid diet on the 1st post operative day and soft solid diet on the 2nd post operative day. Urinary catheter removed on the 2nd postoperative day. Early ambulation advised.

Post-operative hemoglobin was taken after 48 hours of surgery for diagnosis of anemia and the need for iron supplement or blood transfusion. Women were monitored for postoperative fever, wound infection, endometritis, number of days of hospital stay and life threatening complications like pulmonary embolism and deep vein thrombosis. Wound swab cultures were taken and appropriate antibiotics given in case of wound infection.

The following were noted for postoperative wound infection and endometritis.

- 1. wound induration / erythema
- 2. wound discharge
- 3. wound gaping
- 4. uterine tenderness
- 5. foul smelling lochia
- 6. tenderness on cervical motion
- 7. wound swab culture
- 8. endocervical swab culture

RESULTS AND STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

200 women were included in the study based on the inclusion and exclusion criteria. 100 women were randomized to exteriorisation group and 100 women to insitu repair of uterus.

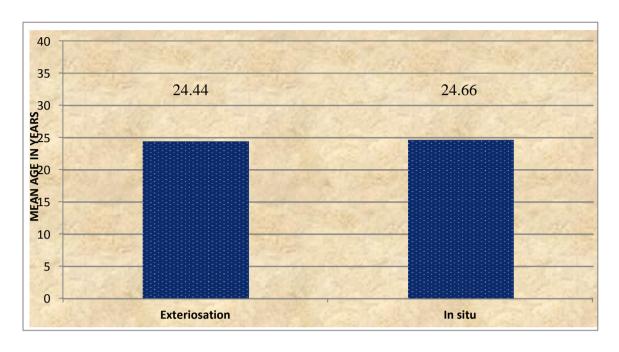
The characteristics of women in both the groups were similar in age and parity. All the women underwent cesarean under spinal anaesthesia with gestational age ranging from 37 to 41 weeks of gestation.

Group Statistics

					Std. Error
	GROUP	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Mean
AGE	EXTERIORISATION	100	24.44	2.858	.286
	INTRAPERITONEAL	100	24.66	2.793	.279

Independent Samples Test

		Levene's Equality of	Test for Variances		t-test for Equality of Means						
							Mean	Std. Error	95% Confidenc Interval of the Difference		
		F	Sig.	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Diff erence	Diff erence	Lower	Upper	
AGE	Equal variances assumed	.201	.654	551	198	.583	220	.400	-1.008	.568	
	Equal variances not assumed			551	197.896	.583	220	.400	-1.008	.568	



The mean age of the women in exteriorisation group was 24.44 and the mean age in the insitu group was 24.66 with no significant difference between the two groups in age.

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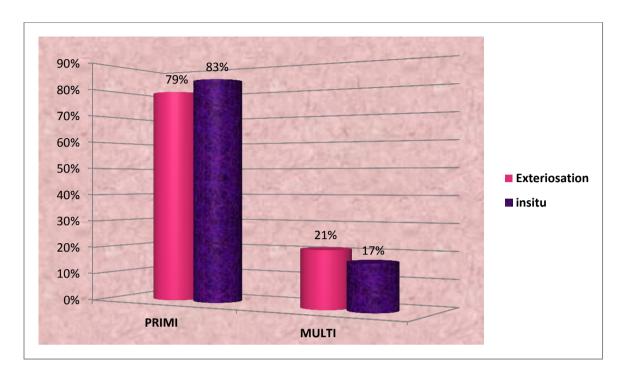
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OBSTETRIC	PRIMI	Count	79	83	162
CODE		% within GROUP	79.0%	83.0%	81.0%
	MULTI	Count	21	17	38
		% within GROUP	21.0%	17.0%	19.0%
Total		Count	100	100	200
		% within GROUP	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Chi-Square Tests

	Value	df	Asymp. Sig. (2-sided)	Exact Sig. (2-sided)	Exact Sig. (1-sided)
Pearson Chi-Square	.520 ^b	1	.471		
Continuity Correction a	.292	1	.589		
Likelihood Ratio	.521	1	.471		
Fisher's Exact Test				.589	.295
Linear-by-Linear Association	.517	1	.472		
N of Valid Cases	200				

OBSTETRIC CODE:



79% (79/100) were primi in the exteriorisation group and 83% (83/100) were primi in the insitu group. Multigravida constituted 21% in the exteriorisation group and 17% in insitu group.

GESTATIONAL AGE:

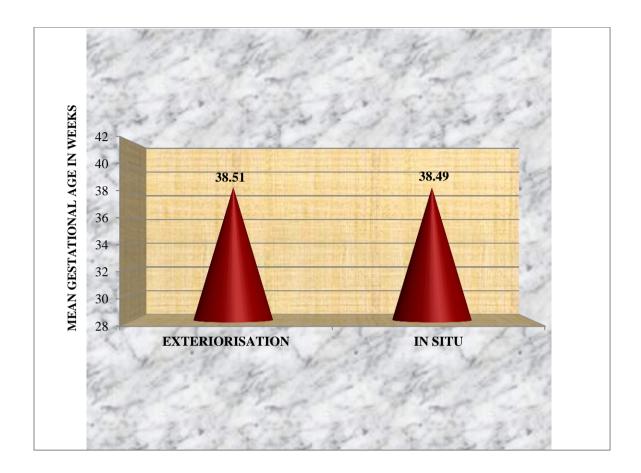
Group Statistics

	GROUP	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
GA	EXTERIORISATION	100	38.51	.879	.088
	INTRAPERITONEAL	100	38.49	.921	.092

Independent Samples Test

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							Mean	Std. Error	95% Confi Interval o Std. Error Differer	
		F	Sig.	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Diff erence	Diff erence	Lower	Upper
GA	Equal v ariances assumed	.607	.437	.181	198	.857	.023	.127	228	.274
	Equal v ariances not assumed			.181	197.559	.857	.023	.127	228	.274

GESTATIONAL AGE:



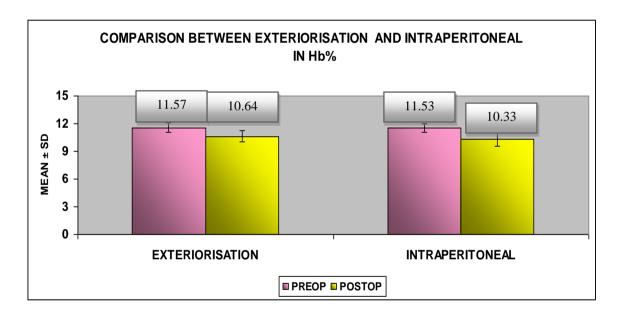
The mean gestational age in exteriorisation group was 38.51 and that in the insitu group was 38.49. Both groups were similar in the gestation age with insignificant p value of 0.857.

LSCS:

In the exteriorisation group, 74% of women had emergercy lscs and 26% had elective lscs. In the insitu group, 87% had emergency lscs and 13% had elective lscs.

PREOPERATIVE HEMOGLOBIN:

All the women had Hb values between 11-13g/dl. Those who had Hb less than 11 g were excluded while selecting the women for study



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The mean preoperative hemoglobin level in exteriorisation group was 11.57 g/dl and the mean preoperative hemoglobin level in insitu group was 11.53g/dl. Both the groups were comparable in the preop Hb levels and there was no significant difference between the groups (p = 0.571).

Group Statistics

	GROUP	Z	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
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PREOP HB	EXTERIORISATION	100	11.57	.503	.050
	INTRAPERITONEAL	100	11.53	.518	.052
POST OP HB	EXTERIORISATION	100	10.647	.5825	.0582
	INTRAPERITONEAL	100	10.335	.8191	.0819

Independent Samples Test

		Levene's Equality of	Test for Variances		t-test for Equality of Means						
							Mean	Std. Error	95% Cor Interv a Diff e	l of the	
		F	Sig.	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Diff erence	Diff erence	Lower	Upper	
PREOP HB	Equal variances assumed	.007	.935	.568	198	.571	.041	.072	101	.183	
	Equal variances not assumed			.568	197.816	.571	.041	.072	101	.183	
POST OP HB	Equal variances assumed	3.385	.067	3.104	198	.002	.3120	.1005	.1138	.5102	
	Equal variances not assumed			3.104	178.733	.002	.3120	.1005	.1137	.5103	

But there was a significant drop in the post operative hemoglobin levels in the insitu group compared to the exteriorisation group (p=0.002). This might be taken as an indicator of less intraoperative blood loss. None of our subjects had secondary PPH which may interfere with the post operative Hb levels. Thus in our study, the exteriorisation group had less post operative Hb drop than the insitu which is a significant factor.

Also the number of subjects who required blood transfusion were 1% (1/100) in the exteriorisation group with post op Hb of 7.8g% and 2%

(2/100) in the insitu group with post op Hb 7.5g%, 7.2g%. Additional subjects who required anemia correction with Iron sucrose infusion fell in the insitu group (n=3, 3%). Thus exteriorisation is associated with less post operative Hb fall, less anemia and less number of blood transfusion in our study.

INTRAOPERATIVE HEMODYNAMICS:

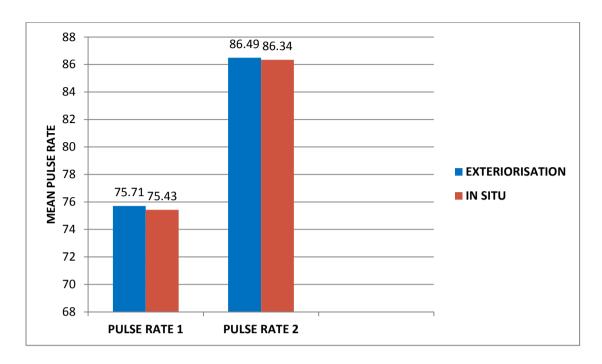
The pulse rate, mean arterial pressure, spo2 at the time of skin incision was denoted as PR1, MAP1, SPO21 in both the groups. The second reading at the time of uterine closure was denoted as PR2, MAP2,SPO22.

Group Statistics

	GROUP	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
PULSERATE 1	EXTERIORISATION	100	75.71	5.781	.578
	INTRAPERITONEAL	100	75.43	5.163	.516
PULSERATE 2	EXTERIORISATION	100	86.49	6.284	.628
	INTRAPERITONEAL	100	86.34	5.602	.560

Independent Samples Test

		Levene's Equality of	Test for Variances		t-test for Equality of Means							
							Mean	Std. Error	95% Cor Interv a Diff e	l of the		
		F	Sig.	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Diff erence	Diff erence	Lower	Upper		
PULSERATE 1	Equal v ariances assumed	2.339	.128	.361	198	.718	.280	.775	-1.248	1.808		
	Equal variances not assumed			.361	195.518	.718	.280	.775	-1.249	1.809		
PULSERATE 2	Equal variances assumed	2.636	.106	.178	198	.859	.150	.842	-1.510	1.810		
	Equal variances not assumed			.178	195.442	.859	.150	.842	-1.510	1.810		



The mean PR1 in the exteriorisation group was 75.71 and the mean PR2 in insitu group was 75.43. There was no wide difference in the preoperative pulse rate between the groups(p=0.718). The mean pulse rate after exteriorisation PR2 was 86.49 and the mean PR2 after insitu repair was 86.34. There occurred no significant difference in the PR2 after either methods of uterine closure.

When analysed within the same group, the maximum difference between the 2 readings of pulse rate was 16bpm in the exteriorisation group and 28bpm in the insitu group. This could be due to the sudden blood loss after the delivery of the fetus and placenta with reflex tachycardia. None of the subjects in either group had bradycardia. Only

one woman in insitu group had mild tachycardia 104bpm which settled in the immediate postoperative period spontaneously and none in the exteriorisation group.

MEAN ARTERIAL PRESSURE:

MAP= diastolic pressure + 1/3 of pulse pressure

Where pulse pressure = systolic pressure - diastolic pressure

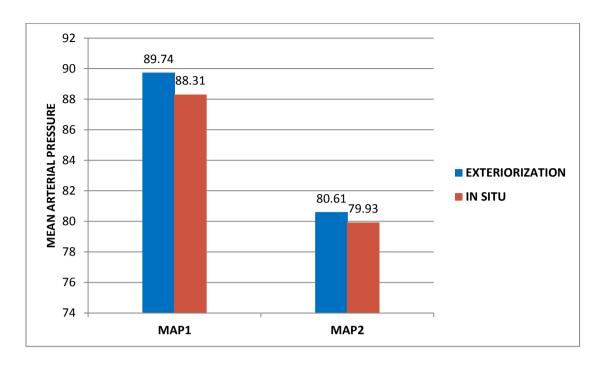
Two readings of systolic and diastolic pressure were noted. One at skin incision and second at uterine closure. Then mean arterial pressure was calculated using the above formula. Normal MAP = 70-110 mmHg. This range of MAP is required to perfuse the vital organs like brain, heart and kidneys. If the blood pressure falls < 90/60, MAP also decreases which leads to underperfusion of the vital organs which when not corrected on time may result in refractory shock.

Group Statistics

					Std. Error
	GROUP	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Mean
MAP1	EXTERIORISATION	100	89.74	4.305	.430
	INTRAPERITONEAL	100	88.31	4.543	.454
MAP2	EXTERIORISATION	100	80.61	4.998	.500
	INTRAPERITONEAL	100	79.93	5.002	.500

Independent Samples Test

		Levene's Equality of	Test for Variances	t-test for Equality of Means							
							Mean	Std. Error	95% Cor Interv a Diff e	of the	
		F	Sig.	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Diff erence	Diff erence	Lower	Upper	
MAP1	Equal variances assumed	.155	.694	2.291	198	.023	1.434	.626	.200	2.668	
	Equal variances not assumed			2.291	197.428	.023	1.434	.626	.200	2.668	
MAP2	Equal variances assumed	.154	.695	.959	198	.339	.678	.707	716	2.072	
	Equal variances not assumed			.959	198.000	.339	.678	.707	716	2.072	



The mean MAP1 in exteriorisation group was 89.74 and MAP1 in insitu group was 88.31. The mean MAP2 in exteriorisation group was 80.61 and MAP2 was insitu group is 79.93 which ensured adequate perfusion. Both the groups did not show any significant fall in MAP(P= 0.339). None of the subjects had untoward events like hypotension, shock or ICU care in either groups.

SPO2:

Group Statistics

	GROUP	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
SPO21	EXTERIORISATION	100	99.84	.395	.039
	INTRAPERITONEAL	100	98.95	8.993	.899
SPO22	EXTERIORISATION	100	99.20	.841	.084
	INTRAPERITONEAL	100	98.96	.909	.091

Independent Samples Test

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							Mean	Std. Error	95% Confidence Interval of the Difference	
		F	Sig.	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Diff erence	Diff erence	Lower	Upper
SPO21	Equal variances assumed	2.997	.085	.989	198	.324	.890	.900	885	2.665
	Equal variances not assumed			.989	99.382	.325	.890	.900	896	2.676
SPO22	Equal variances assumed	.233	.630	1.938	198	.054	.240	.124	004	.484
	Equal variances not assumed			1.938	196.803	.054	.240	.124	004	.484



Likewise the oxygen saturation of the tissues also did not have a significant difference between the 2 groups (p=0.324,0.325,0.54,0.54). The spo22 ranged between 97 to 100 percent in both groups .

VOMITING EPISODES:

Crosstab

			GRO	DUP	
			EXTERIOR	INTRAPER	
			ISATION	ITONEAL	Total
VOMITING	1	Count	17	11	28
EPISODES		% within GROUP	63.0%	64.7%	63.6%
	2	Count	9	5	14
		% within GROUP	33.3%	29.4%	31.8%
	3	Count	1	1	2
		% within GROUP	3.7%	5.9%	4.5%
Total		Count	27	17	44
		% within GROUP	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

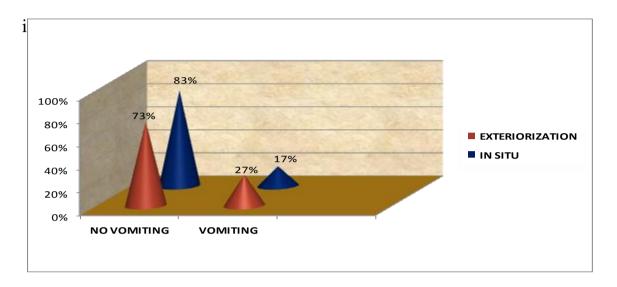
Chi-Square Tests

	Value	df	Asymp. Sig. (2-sided)
Pearson Chi-Square	.164 ^a	2	.921
Likelihood Ratio	.162	2	.922
Linear-by-Linear Association	.001	1	.981
N of Valid Cases	44		

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Total number of subjects who had vomiting in the exteriorisation group were 27%(27/100). Out of the total 27, 17(63%)women had one episode, 9(33.3%) had two episodes, and 1(3.7%) had three episodes of vomiting intraoperatively.

The total number of subjects who had vomiting in the insitu group were 17%(17/100). Out of the 17, 11(64.7%) had one episode, 5(29.4%) had two episodes, and 1(5.9%) had three episodes of vomiting



Though the vomiting episodes did not reach a statistically significant value, the number of subjects who had vomiting were higher in the exteriorisation(P=0.921) group than the insitu group(27vs17).

This might be attributed to the emergency nature of the cesarean where the time since last intake was <6 hours or stretch of the peritoneum during tubal ligation or the technique of exteriorisation itself.

Crosstab

			GRO		
			EXTERIOR	INTRAPER	
			ISATION	ITONEAL	Total
VOMITING EPISODES	PRESENT	Count	27	17	44
		% within GROUP	27.0%	17.0%	22.0%
	ABSENT	Count	73	83	156
		% within GROUP	73.0%	83.0%	78.0%
Total		Count	100	100	200
		% within GROUP	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

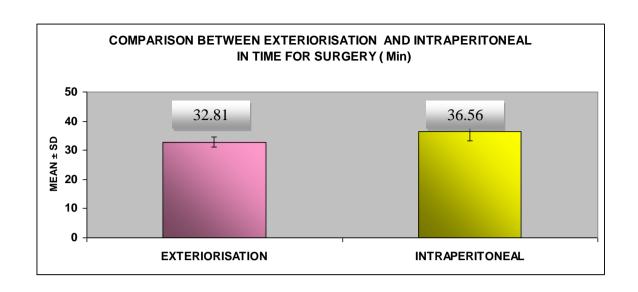
Chi-Square Tests

	Value	df	Asymp. Sig. (2-sided)	Exact Sig. (2-sided)	Exact Sig. (1-sided)
Pearson Chi-Square	2.914	1	.088		
Continuity Correction	2.360	1	.124		
Likelihood Ratio	2.934	1	.087		
Fisher's Exact Test				.124	.062
Linear-by-Linear Association	2.899	1	.089		
N of Valid Cases	200				

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DURATION OF SURGERY:

The time taken for surgery was noted from the time of skin incision to the time of skin closure in minutes.



Group Statistics

					Std. Error
	GROUP	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Mean
TIME FOR	EXTERIORISATION	100	32.81	1.774	.177
SURGERY (min)	INTRAPERITONEAL	100	36.56	3.205	.320

Independent Samples Test

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TIME FOR SURGERY (min)	Equal variances assumed	28.032	.000	-10.239	198	.000	-3.750	.366	-4.472	-3.028
	Equal variances not assumed			-10.239	154.445	.000	-3.750	.366	-4.474	-3.026

The average time taken for surgery in the exteriorisation group was 32.81minutes and for insitu group it was 36.56 minutes. The p value was found to be 0.000 which was statistically very significant.

POSTOPERATIVE WOUND INFECTION:

Wound infection was noted in 7%(7/100) women in the exteriorisation group and 5% (5/100) in the insitu group and did not have any significant difference.

Wound resuturing was required in 3/5 subjects in insitu group and 1/7 in exteriorisation group. Others were treated with appropriate antibiotics after wound swab culture and sensitivity.

Chi-Square Tests

	Value	df	Asymp. Sig. (2-sided)	Exact Sig. (2-sided)	Exact Sig. (1-sided)
Pearson Chi-Square	.355	1	.552		
Continuity Correction	.089	1	.766		
Likelihood Ratio	.356	1	.551		
Fisher's Exact Test				.767	.384
Linear-by-Linear Association	.353	1	.553		
N of Valid Cases	200				

POST OP WOUND INFECTION * GROUP Crosstabulation

			GRO	OUP	
			EXTERIOR	INTRAPER	
			ISATION	ITONEAL	Total
POST OP WOUND	PRESENT	Count	7	5	12
INFECTION		% within GROUP	7.0%	5.0%	6.0%
	ABSENT	Count	93	95	188
		% within GROUP	93.0%	95.0%	94.0%
Total		Count	100	100	200
		% within GROUP	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

POSTOPERATIVE FEBRILE MORBIDITY:

Febrile morbidity was taken as temperature more than 100.4 deg F for more than 24 hours after 24 hours of surgery. 2 subjects in the insitu group had only one episode of fever of 101 deg F

HOSPITAL STAY:

Group Statistics

					Std. Error
	GROUP	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Mean
NO OF DAYS OF	EXTERIORISATION	100	8.22	.836	.084
HOSPITAL STAY	INTRAPERITONEAL	100	8.09	.494	.049

Independent Samples Test

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							Mean	Std. Error	95% Cor Interv a Diff e	of the
		F	Sig.	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Diff erence	Diff erence	Lower	Upper
NO OF DAYS OF HOSPITAL STAY	Equal variances assumed	7.203	.008	1.339	198	.182	.130	.097	061	.321
	Equal variances not assumed			1.339	160.705	.183	.130	.097	062	.322

The average duration of hospital stay in the exteriorisation group and insitu group were 8.22, 8.09 respectively which did not have significance(p=0.097).

None of the subjects in either of the groups had life threatening complications like hemodynamic shock, shock following exteriorisation, pulmonary embolism, deep vein thrombosis, admission in ICU or any maternal mortality.

Exteriorisation technique was found to be associated with less postoperative hemoglobin fall which indicate less intraoperative blood loss(p=0.002) and less time for surgery(p=0.000).

DISCUSSION

In our current study we found a statistically significant decrease in the blood loss and the time taken for surgery in the exteriorisation group compared with the insitu group There was no statistical significance between the groups in terms of intraoperative hemodynamics, vomiting episodes, postoperative febrile and infectious morbidity, length of hospital stay.

- **I. BLOOD LOSS:** Accurate estimation of intraoperative blood loss is very difficult owing to
 - Spillage of blood from operation table
 - Splashing of blood accidentally
 - Mixing of liquor and blood in the suction apparatus
 - Polyhydramnios where the estimated blood loss may be more than the actual loss.

Because of these technical difficulties, we resorted to the method of analyzing the perioperative hemoglobin changes. Base line hemoglobin was taken before surgery and the drop in postoperative hemoglobin was taken 48 hours after surgery and compared with the pre op value.

HERSHEY AND QUILLIGAN reported no statistical significance between exteriorized and insitu groups in terms of blood loss, duration, puerperal febrile illness and infectious morbidity. But the mean hematocrit drop was higher in the insitu group which did not reach a statistical significance(21)

WAHAB et al conducted a randomized controlled study which included 139 women in the exteriorized group and 149 in the non exteriorized group. He concluded that exteriorisation of the uterus, elective cesarean and regional anaesthesia, each associated with a statistically significant reduced blood loss. He found no statistical significance in measures of intraoperative hemodynamics, pain, post operative wound sepsis, fever, length of hospital stay(17).

O.C.EZECHI et al also found a statistically significant reduction in blood loss in the exteriorisation group compared to insitu closure(18).

Identical to the study by Wahab et al and O.C.Ezechi at al, we are also able to demonstrate a statistically significant reduced blood loss in the exteriorisation group(**p=0.02**) compared to insitu group. The estimation of blood loss by the peri operative hemoglobin changes is also similar to the study by Wahab et al.

OTHER STUDIES: Studies by MAGANN et al(1993), EDI OSAGIE et al, ISABILA CHRISTINA COUTINHO et al found no significant less blood loss in the exteriorisation group compared to insitu group.

Proposed mechanism of less blood loss:

- Elevation of the uterus during exteriorisation causes decreased perfusion and favours venous return- Wahab et al
- Traction pressure on the uterus during exteriorisation acts as a tourniquet on the uterine vessels and causes decreased blood loss- O.C.Ezechi et al

II. DURATION OF SURGERY:

In our study, the time taken for surgery attained a statistically significant value(p=0.000) where the mean operating time in the exteriorisation group was 32.81 minutes and in the insitu group, the mean was 36.56 minutes. This is in agreement with the study conducted by **ISABILA CHRISTINA COUTINHO et al** in which the duration of surgery was statistically significant. Mean duration was 50.1+_13.3 in exteriorisation group and 52.5+_13.1 in intracavitary group(23).

In a controlled study which was done in 2007, a statistically significant difference in time was observed between the exteriorisation and insitu group in terms of duration of uterine repair. Though the time

taken for uterine repair was less in the exteriorisation group, the study didnot achieve a significant difference in the total duration of surgery in the exteriorisation group.

III. INTRAOPERATIVE HEMODYNAMICS:

Though many of the fears regarding exteriorisation is centered around intra operative hemodynamic events, none of the studies pinpoint a direct link between the technique of exteriorisation with the intra operative hemodynamic instability if any.

In his study, **EDI OSAGIE** observed wide fluctuations in pulse rate in both the groups which followed no clear pattern. This wide fluctuation he accounted for the sudden blood loss that occurs with delivery(19).

Another fear with exteriorisation is the occurrence of bradycardia which may be due to the profound vagal discharge. But this did not occur in our study in any case. We did not get any statistical significance regarding changes in pulse rate.

Also exteriorisation technique is proposed to cause decrease in mean arterial pressure. The exact mechanism though unknown, it is believed that vagal stimulation results in decrease in heart rate and decrease in the peripheral resistance by means of vasodilatation of the internal vital organs including uterus. If that is said to be true then exteriorisation technique should be associated with more blood loss. There appears no direct link between exteriorisation technique and vagal stimulation. Additionally, regional anaesthesia is believed to compound the effects of bradycardia and decrease in MAP by sympathetic inhibition.

The hemodynamic changes may be attributed to the sudden uterine decompression with subsequent autotransfusion of blood from the uteroplacental bed into the systemic circulation and the sudden blood loss following delivery of fetus and placenta.

Our study found no significant fall in MAP in either groups. There was also no significant difference in spo2- oxygen saturation of tissues between the two techniques. No untoward events of fall in saturation occurred during surgery in either techniques and no case required post operative monitoring in ICU.

VARTIKAR et al has demonstrated features of venous air embolism using Doppler changes in about 65% of 78 cesarean. 47% of the subjects showed a decrease in spo2(25). He thus suggested a correlation between decrease in spo2 and venous air embolism. Doppler changes occurred in 47 subjects at the time of uterine closure, during exteriorisation in 16 subjects and at the time of uterine incision in 9

subjects. He found no direct link between exteriorisation technique and air embolism. It can occur at any time during surgery but was more commonly associated with cases of antepartum hemorrhage.

NELSON et al analysed 45 deaths during labour and delivery and found that 12 occurred during 1st stage of labour, 12 during 2nd stage, 14 during 3rd stage and 7 during cesarean. The most common factor which existed was the association of placenta previa and air embolism in 24% of the cases studied(26).

Air embolism though rare is a potential life threatening event that causes sudden maternal mortality. It can occur at any stage of labour and delivery and more so with cases of APH(placenta previa, abruption placenta) and may be unrelated to the technique of cesarean. Still if fear exists with exteriorisation we can avoid this technique in cases of APH. Conclusion regarding association of exteriorisation as a direct cause of air embolism yet to be arrived.

HESHEY AND QUILLIGAN reported a higher incidene of vomiting in exteriorisation group than the non exteriorized group(21). In our study we found no statistically significant vomiting episodes. Nevertheless, the number of patients who had vomiting in the exteriorisation group(27%) were higher than those in the insitu group(17%). This may be due to the

emergency nature of the surgery irrespective of the time since last food intake or cervical dilatation during labour or the stretch of peritoneum during tubal ligation.

EDI OSAGIE et al quotes that pregnancy in itself is predisposed to nausea and vomiting which when accompanied by increased intragastric pressure significantly increases vomiting during cesarean(19). In his study vomiting occurred immediately following regional anaesthesia even before the commencement of the surgery in one third of women who had vomiting. He also observed that hypotension played a role in causing vomiting as it settled when the fall in MAP was corrected to the pre anaesthetic level. Out of 10% of the subjects who had vomiting, 90% fell into the elective procedure(women with empty stomach) undertaken and found to be associated with an inconsistent anti emetic practice in elective cases owing to fasting status. Thus he strongly recommends anti emetic practice even in elective cases, and antacids, adequate oxygen saturation, avoidance of hypotension to avoid vomiting during cesarean.

IV.POST OPERATIVE WOUND INFECTION AND FEBRILE MORBIDITY:

In our study there was no significant increase in the incidence of fever and wound infections in exteriorisation group compared to in situ group. The number of patients who required wound resuturing was 3/5 in insitu group whereas it was 1/7 in exteriorisation group.

MAGANN et al (1995) reported that exteriorisation and the method of manual removal of placenta are associated with an increased incidence of infectious morbidity and length of hospital stay(24). Others like Hershey and Quilligan, Wahab et al, and Edi Osagie found no difference.

V.OTHERS

The duration of hospital stay was also not significant between the two groups. The average days of hospital stay was 8.22 in the exteriorisation group and 8.09 in insitu group.

Post operative pain evaluation using visual analogue scale and pain score has been done in certain studies. But we could not evaluate pain due to technical difficulties. The 6 weeks post partum questionnaire return method was also unable to carryout.

The following **valid points** were noted during cesarean by either methods in our study

- Better visualization of the lower uterine segment and uterine wound during closure especially when cesarean was performed in advanced labour where the posterior surface may be confused with the lower edge of the uterine wound
- Collection of blood obscured the suturing field in the insitu group whereas blood relatively drained on to the drape when exteriorisation was followed making the surgeon feel easy
- Any atonicity could be identified early in the exteriorisation technique and hence management commenced early
- Uterine massage could be directly given on the fundus in exteriorisation
- Angle extension and tears could be easily identified and repaired in exteriorisation whereas it was technically difficult in insitu group
- Exteriorisation of uterus facilitates a good visulisation of the adnexa and its pathology and also favours tubal ligation.
- The posterior surface of the uterus could be visualized before closure for any hematoma or tears which might go unnoticed and might end up in relaparotomy

- Exteriorisation facilitated the confirmation of the presence of uterine anomalies which might go unnoticed during insitu repair
- Exteriorisation might favour uterine artery ligation and B Lynch suturing when needed
- During exterorisation the uterine artery gets kinked and thus reduces blood loss during surgery.

CONCLUSION:

We have found that the technique of uterine exteriorisation during cesarean is associated with less drop in postoperative hemoglobin levels which indicates less blood loss intraoperatively. We have also demonstrated that the time taken for surgery is significantly less in the exteriorized group when compared to in situ group. Other morbidities are similar in both the techniques.

Hence, with good preoperative preparation, effective anaesthesia, surgeon's experience with the technique, the method of uterine exteriorisation is a valuable option. However caution should be excised in cases of antepartum hemorrhage.

INSITU GROUP

S.No	NAME	AGE	OBSTETRIC CODE	GA	EMERGENCY/ ELECTIVE LSCS	ANAESTH ESIA	PREOP HB	INTRAOP	ERATIVE	FINDINGS				VOMITIN G	TIME	POSTOP HB	POST OP WOUND INFECTION
								PULSE	RATE	MA	ι P	SPO	D2	EPISODE S	(min)		
1	pandiyammal	22	G3P1L1	38+2	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	72	86	92.3	85.5	100	100	1	35	10.5	+
2	thangamani	22	Primi	37	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.2	74	90	86	72.5	100	99		36	10	
3	krithika	24	Primi	37+3	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	72	85	84	73.2	100	98		38	10	
4	vanaja	28	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	76	104	90.2	84.3	100	98	2	40	9	
5	kalaivani	24	Primi	38	Elective Lscs	SA	12	68	80	93	87	100	100		34	11.2	
6	visalatchi	25	G2A1	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	13	72	74	94.2	86.5	100	100		34	12	
7	kanagavalli	23	G3A2	37+5	Emergency Lscs	SA	12	74	86	93.2	85.1	100	99		40	11	
8	lakshmi	27	Primi	38+3	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.5	72	86	96	80.8	100	98		42	10.5	
9	esther	30	Primi	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	70	86	94.6	83	100	99		35	10	
10	anusha	35	Primi	39+1	Emergency Lscs	SA	12	60	76	90.4	87	100	98	1	35	10.5	
11	malliga	28	Primi	40	Elective Lscs	SA	12	72	86	80.6	74	100	99		37	10	
12	niranjana	27	G2P1L1	40+2	Emergency Lscs	SA	12	74	82	84	75	100	100		38	11	
13	jaya	25	G2PILI	41	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	76	88	80.6	74	100	100		40	10	
14	nirupa	26	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.2	78	90	82.4	73	100	98		42	10.2	
15	jeyalakshmi	24	Primi	37+6	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.6	70	84	85.4	72	100	97	3	42	8	
16	krishnaveni	24	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	72	86	83.6	76	100	100		40	10.5	
17	uma	22	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	74	84	83.6	72	100	100		35	10.2	
18	saroja	22	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	72	88	86.3	74	100	100		35	10	+
19	chellammal	26	G3A2	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	72	90	83	74	100	98	1	34	10.2	
20	rani	25	G2P1L1	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	12	74	90	87.3	76.5	100	99		41	10.5	
21	amsaveni	24	Primi	39+2	Emergency Lscs	SA	12.5	72	86	92.4	84	99	98		35	11	
22	yuvarani	23	Primi	38+3	Emergency Lscs	SA	12.6	82	88	90.2	87	98	97		32	11.4	
23	maheshwari	26	G2A1	38+1	Elective Lscs	SA	12	84	96	84.2	78	100	100	2	32	11.2	
24	leesa	25	G2P1L1	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	12.6	82	98	80.6	74	100	100		35	11.6	

25	sarasu	25	G3P1L1A1	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	72	90	86	75	100	98		35	7.5	
26	durga	24	Primi	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	12	80	92	85	72	100	99		32	11	
27	maha	26	Primi	40	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.2	84	96	88.5	76	100	99		32	10	
28	rosy	28	Primi	40	Elective Lscs	SA	12	80	90	83.5	76.3	100	100		34	11.6	
29	vaidegi	29	Primi	37+6	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	82	94	92.6	79	100	99	1	35	10.5	
30	suryakala	21	Primi	37+5	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.2	80	92	95.4	75	100	99		35	10.5	
31	chandrika	19	Primi	37+2	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	68	76	91	86	10	98		40	10.2	
32	savithri	20	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	12	72	86	90.8	86.4	100	100		38	11	
33	andal	22	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.6	70	94	95.4	84	100	100		37	8	+
34	roobini	26	G2P1L1	38+4	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	74	90	94.3	86	100	99	1	36	10.2	
35	iswarya	20	G3P2L2	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	72	86	96.3	83	99	99		38	10	
36	kamaleshwari	28	Primi	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	74	88	92.5	78	100	98		38	10	
37	vanitha	26	Primi	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.2	82	86	90.3 87.6	87.6	100	98		32	10.5	
38	sandhya	25	Primi	40	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	80	76	86.4	80	100	100	1	33	10.5	
39	arthi	25	Primi	40	Emergency Lscs	SA	12	82	88	84.3	78	100	99		40	11	
40	jessy	23	Primi	37+1	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	80	92	85.2	76	100	98		39	9	
41	swarna	22	Primi	38+2	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	84	90	86.3	80	100	100		40	10.2	
42	manjula	25	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.2	74	86	92.5	85	100	98	1	36	10.5	
43	poorna	30	Primi	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	72	84	87.3	79	100	98		36	10	
44	leela	25	Primi	39+3	Emergency Lscs	SA	12	74	86	91.4	75	99	98		35	11.4	
45	gomathy	23	Primi	39+3	Emergency Lscs	SA	12.4	80	94	95	86	99	99		35	11.2	
46	nisha	24	Primi	39+2	Emergency Lscs	SA	12	80	92	92.3	84	99	99		34	8.8	
47	valli	30	G3A2	41	Elective Lscs	SA	12	82	90	90.4	86	100	100		33	11	
48	vijayashree	21	G2A1	40	Emergency Lscs	SA	12.2	78	86	89	80	100	100	2	33	10.8	
49	habibunisha	24	Primi	40+3	Emergency Lscs	SA	12.4	76	82	83.5	76	100	98		32	11	
50	kanaga	24	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	82	84	79	72	100	99		30	10	
51	christina	21	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	80	88	86.8	73	100	99		37	10.2	
52	kalliammal	22	G4A3	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	82	90	90.3	85	100	99		36	10	
53	dillirani	24	G2P1L1	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	84	90	93.6	83	100	98		35	10	
54	rasathi	27	Primi	39	Elective Lscs	SA	12	72	84	87.1	79.5	100	99	1	35	11.2	

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55	dharani	24	Primi	38+2	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.2	74	86	82.5	78.3	99	99		32	7.4	
56	kaveri	23	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	80	84	89.2	72.8	99	99		32	10	
57	ponnuthai	23	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	12	82	92	93.4	74.2	100	98		34	11.2	
58	dhanam	23	G2P1L1	37+5	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.2	78	86	86.3	79	100	98	2	33	10.5	
59	akila	24	G2A1	37+6	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	74	90	85.4	76	100	100		33	8.6	
60	zarina	27	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	72	86	90	78.4	100	100		32	10.2	
61	gowripriya	26	Primi	37	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	82	86	93.6	86.8	100	98	1	40	10.5	
62	pandiyammal	24	G2P1L1	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	84	90	94.2	88.5	100	99		40	10	
63	anandhayi	21	Primi	40	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.2	82	88	87 82.5	82.5	100	100		42	10.5	
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65	aparna	24	G2P1L1	37+3	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	74	82	84.3	80	100	99		45	10	
66	shanthi	26	Primi	37+4	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	73	82	93.2	85	100	98		45	10	
67	sudha	27	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	76	84	94	83.3	100	99		38	10.2	
68	malathi	26	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	72	96	90	84.3	100	100		38	9	
69	vadivu	24	Primi	38+5	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.2	74	90	90.6	85.4	100	100		37	10	
70	rupa	24	Primi	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	82	96	80.5	76.3	100	99		45	10.5	
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74	ruthra	20	G3A2	39	Elective Lscs	SA	12.2	72	86	90.5	84.5	99	98		38	11.5	
75	ruth	23	Primi	37	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	68	76	95.1	87.4	99	98		38	10.2	
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78	paapu	25	G2P1L1	38+3	Emergency Lscs	SA	12	72	96	85.5	78.6	100	99	1	38	9.6	
79	nirosha	25	Primi	38+6	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.6	74	82	89.4	80	100	98		39	10	
80	anjana	27	Primi	39	Elective Lscs	SA	11.6	82	86	94.5	86	100	99		40	10.5	
81	varalakshmi	24	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	78	74	90.6	84	99	98		41	10.2	
82	srimathi	28	G2P1L1	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	79	84	93.5	85	99	98		41	10	
83	deivanayaki	27	G2A1	38+3	Elective Lscs	SA	11.4	80	84	92	86	100	100		38	10.2	+
84	saroja	25	Primi	37+6	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.4	84	86	90	84	100	100		38	10.4	

85	muthammal	24	Primi	37+3	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.2	80	88	80.7	76.4	100	99		37	10.5	
86	bavitha	27	Primi	38	Emergency Lscs	SA	11.2	74	79	83.5	72	99	99	2	37	10.5	
87	bakyalakshmi	27	G3P1L1A1	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	12	80	86	83.4	74	100	100		36	11.2	
88	elakiya	26	Primi	37+3	Elective Lscs	SA	12.2	80	84	82.4	75	100	100		36	11.4	
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99	manimegalai	21	Primi	39	Elective Lscs	SA	11	64	76	90.3	86	100	100		38	10	
100	krishnaveni	21	Primi	39	Emergency Lscs	SA	11	72	90	92.7	85.3	100	100		36	10	

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PROFORMA

Name :		
Age :		D.O.A. :
I.P. No. :		D.O.D. :
Unit :		
Educational Status	:	
Husband Name	:	
Family Size and Income:		
Socio economic status:		
Address	:	
Obstetric code:		
LMP:		
EDD:		
Booked / Unbooked		
Immunised/ single dose/ u	nimmunized:	
History	:	
Chief Complaints	:	
History of Amenorrhoea	:	
Labour pains	:	
Leaking PV	:	
Bleeding PV	:	
History of Presenting illne	ss :	
Menstrual History	:	
Age of Menarche	:	LMP:
Previous cycles	:	EDD:
Regularity	:	
Married Life :		
Consanguinity		

Obstetric History:

Obstetric Score :			
Gravida :	Para :	Live:	Abortion
Booked / Unbooked			
Immunised/ single dose/ unimmun	ized:		
History of Previous Pregnancies	:labour natu	ıral/cesarean	
	Spontan	eous/induced delivery	
		Indication for cesarean	
		Birth weight of the baby	y, apgar score
		Postoperative period	
		complications	
Past History :			
Family history :			
Personal History:			
GPE :			
Pulse :		Height	:
BP :		Weight :	
Temperature :		BMI	:
Thyroid, Breast, Spine :			
Pallor, icterus, pedal edema,clubbi	ng, cyanosis,	lymphadenopathy :	
Systemic Examination:			
1. CVS			
2. RS			
3. CNS			
4. Per Abdomen			
a. Inspection			
b. Palpation			
i. Height of Uterus (corresponds to	gest. Age or	less)	
ii. Fetal parts, presentation, positio	n.		

iii. Abdominal girth

iv. Symphysiofundal heig	ht			
v. Estimated fetal weight				
I and II pelvic grip				
Evidence of oligohydrami	nios notic	ed clinically	y	
c. Auscultation FHS	Yes / No	o Re	egular	/ Irregular / Absent
d. Perspeculum				
e. P/v findings				
Investigations	:			
Hb%	:			
PCV	:			
Urine routine	:			
Blood grouping and Rh ty	ping	:		
HIV, HBs Ag	:			
Ultrasound Findings	:			
1st trimester	:			
2nd trimester	:			
3rd trimester :				
NST – Reactive / Non-rea	ctive :			
Mode of Delivery:	Induced	/ spontaneo	ous / oj	perative interference
Labour details	:	Spontaneou	us	/ Induced
		PROM A	Absent	t / Present
		Duration of	f labo	ur
		Induction of	of labo	our Yes/No
Indication for LSCS:				
Type of Anaesthesia:				
Complications if any:				
Primary / Repeat cesarear	1			
Duration of operation:				
Type of skin incision:				
Type of uterine incision:				

Extension of	Uterine incis	ion:		
Operative find	dings:			
Intraoperative	Difficulties	:		
Uterus : Exte	riozed / Insi	tu repair		
	Placenta	al delivery		
	PPH			
Intraoperative	findings			
BP				
Pulse	e Rate			
Oxy	gen saturatio	n		
CVS	1			
RS				
Naus	sea / vomitin	g		
Baby	y apgar score	e 1st Minute		5th Minute
Tube	ectomy	Done / Not done	;	
		Method		
Post operative	e Findings			
Oper	rating Time			
Need	d for emerger	ncy blood	Yes / No	
Post	operative Hb	b% (after 48 hours	s)	
Mid	stream urine	for culture and se	ensitivity	
	Endome	etritis		Yes / No
Cytic	tis			Yes / No
Febr	ile morbidity	<i>I</i>	Yes / No	
Sutu	re removal			
Perio	od of Hospita	alization		

CONSENT FORM

STUDY TITLE:

COMPARATIVE STUDY BETWEEN UTERINE EXTERIORIZATION AND INSITU

REPAIR AT CESAREAN SECTION

STUDY CENTRE: Institute Of Obstetrics And Gynaecology, Egmore, Chennai

PARTICIPANT NAME: AGE: SEX: LD. NO.

I confirm that I have understood the purpose of the above study. I have the opportunity to ask the question and all my questions and doubts have been

answered to my satisfaction.

I understand that my participation in the study is voluntary and that I am free to

withdraw at any time without giving any reason.

I understand that the investigator, regulatory authorities and the ethics committee will not need my permission to look at my health records both in respect to the current study and any further research that may be conducted in relation to it, even if I withdraw from the study. I understand that my identity will not be revealed in any information released to third parties of published, unless as required under the law. I

agree not to restrict the use of any results that arise from the study.

I hereby consent to participate in this study titled "COMPARATIVE STUDY BETWEEN UTERINE EXTERIORIZATION AND INSITU REPAIR AT CESAREAN SECTION"

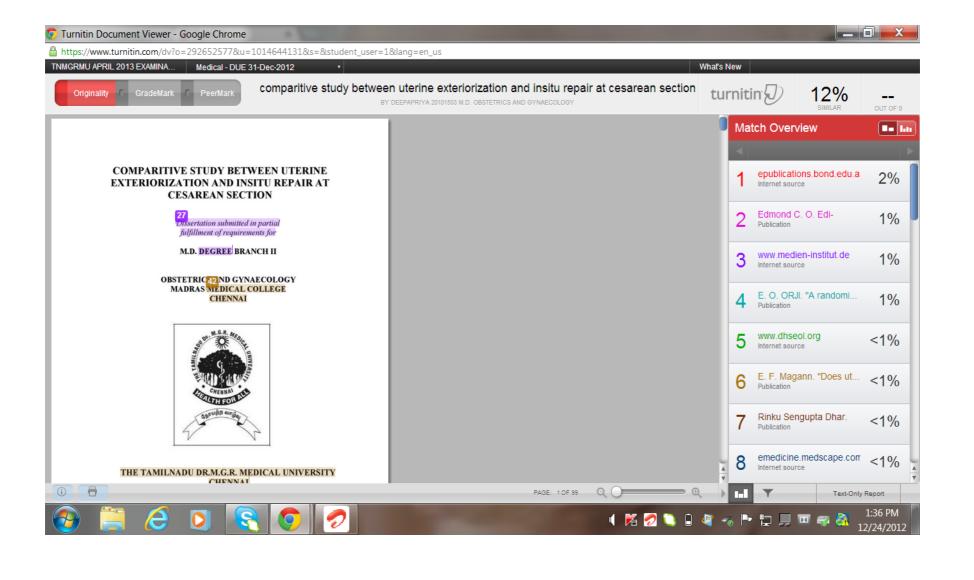
Signature of Investigator Place :

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Signature/thumb impression of patient



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EXTERIORIZATION GROUP

S.No	NAME	AGE	OBSTET RIC CODE	GA	EMERGENCY/ ELECTIVE LSCS	ANAESTHES IA	PREOP HB		VOMITING	TIME FOR	POST OP HB	POST OP WOUND INFECTION	DAYS OF					
								PULSERATE		MAP		SPO2		EPISODES	SURGERY (min)			
1	Prema	22	Primi	38	Emergency Iscs	SA	12	72	80	90.2	80	100	100	2	32	11.5		8
2	usha	23	Primi	37	Emergency Iscs	SA	11	80	86	92.2	78	100	100		32	10.8		8
3	amala	24	G2P1L1	37	Emergency Iscs	SA	12	82	90	91.3	77.3	100	100		34	11		8
4	srividya	22	Primi	39	Emergency Iscs	SA	12.5	76	84	94	73.3	100	99		34	12		9
5	suganya	23	Primi	40	Elective Iscs	SA	12	74	86	84.7	76	100	100		30	11		8
6	vasanthi	24	Primi	40+2	Elective Iscs	SA	12	80	88	86	72	99	99		30	11	+	10
7	keerthana	28	G3A2	40+5	Emergency Iscs	SA	12.5	72	80	87.3	74	100	98		33	11.5		8
8	gayathri	25	G2P1L1	38+2	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.5	78	90	90	80	100	99		32	11		8
9	rahmad begum	27	G3A2	38+4	Emergency Iscs	SA	11	76	89	83.3	76	100	100	2	33	11		8
10	asha	23	Primi	37	Elective Iscs	SA	12	68	76	86.7	74	100	100		32	11.5		8
11	surya	24	Primi	39	Elective Iscs	SA	12	82	90	86	80	100	100		35	11		8
12	sujatha	25	G2A1	38	Emergency Iscs	SA	12	84	92	86.7	80	100	99		35	11	+	12
13	manimegalai	26	Primi	38	Emergency Iscs	SA	12.5	86	98	92	86	100	97	1	35	12		8
14	renuka	24	Primi	38+3	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.4	84	92	94	78	100	98		32	11		8
15	rekha	24	Primi	38+5	Emergency Iscs	SA	11	72	80	93.3	76	100	99		33	10.5		8
16	gowthami	23	G2P1L1	38+6	Emergency Iscs	SA	11	74	82	96	83	100	100		33	10.5		8
17	shanthi	25	G2P1L1	37+5	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.5	72	86	86.7	79.3	100	100	1	31	10.8		8
18	punitha	26	Primi	37	Elective Iscs	SA	11.5	80	90	85	83	100	100	1	32	10.6		8
19	vasanthi	24	Primi	38	Emergency Iscs	SA	11	82	90	80.6	74	100	100	2	32	10.2		8
20	gowri	35	Primi	40	Elective Iscs	SA	12	86	84	84.2	72	100	99		33	11.2		8
21	anjalai	23	Primi	39	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.2	70	78	94	86.5	100	100	3	32	10.8	+	12
22	kumudha	24	Primi	41	Emergency Iscs	SA	11	72	80	90	84	100	100		34	10		8
23	jeyamary	25	Primi	38	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.2	82	90	93	80.5	100	99	1	34	10.4		8
24	menaka	26	Primi	39	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.8	74	86	90.6	84	100			32	11		8
25	vinothini	25	Primi	37	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.8	72	86	93	90	100	99	2	30	11		8
26	shantha	24	G2P1L1	38+4	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.8	70	82	92	86	99	99		30	10.8		8
27	deepa	26	G3A2	39	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.6	84	90	84.6	78	99			32	10.8		8
28	chitra	35	Primi	39	Elective Iscs	SA	12	82	94	93	88	100	99		34	11		8
29	srirangam	25	Primi	39	Emergency Iscs	SA	12	86	98	86	76.3	100	99	1	34	11		8
30	selvi	26	G2P1L1	38+3	Elective Iscs	SA	12	84	90	86.5	82	100	100		35	11		8
31	sanchitha	26	G2A1	39+3	Emergency Iscs	SA	11	73	82	91.3	84	100	100		35	10		8
32	pavithra	25	G2A1	39+2	Emergency Iscs	SA	11	74	86	94.5	80	100	100		35	10		8

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33	usha	25	Primi	38+1	Emergency Iscs	SA	11	68	76	96.2	86	100	100		33	10.2		8
34	maheshwari	26	Primi	38	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.4	64	72	94.2	83.8	99	99		32	11		8
35	savitha	23	Primi	39	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.4	80	76	90.5	844	99	99	2	32	10.5		8
36	mary	22	Primi	39	Elective Iscs	SA	12	72	84	90.2	84	100	99		30	11.2		8
37	manju	25	G2P1L1	40	Emergency Iscs	SA	11	74	82	95	90	100	100		30	10.5		8
38	nagarani	24	G2A1	39	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.2	72	84	97	86	100	100		30	10.5		8
39	ammu	24	G3A2	38	Elective Iscs	SA	12	74	88	84	82	99	99		32	11		8
40	meena	22	Primi	38+3	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.2	72	84	92	84.4	99	98	2	32	10.5	+	10
41	radha	20	Primi	38+5	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.2	76	84	95	86.2	100	99		32	10.6		8
42	bhavani	25	Primi	38+2	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.4	84	90	94.3	84	100	98		34	10.6		8
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44	geetha	24	G2A1	37	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.8	80	92	90.4	90	98	98	1	35	11		8
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49	lavanya	28	Primi	37+4	Elective Iscs	SA	12	62	78	86	76	100	100		36	11		8
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52	rani	19	Primi	39	Emergency Iscs	SA	11	74	86	97	89.5	100	98		35	10.5		8
53	shivani	20	Primi	40	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.2	84	98	93	86.3	100	99	1	32	10.5		8
54	chandrika	30	Primi	38+6	Elective Iscs	SA	11	82	94	91	78	100	100		32	10.2		8
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56	josephine	24	G2P1L1	39	Emergency Iscs	SA	11	72	84	90	86	100	100		34	10.5		8
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66	eswari	27	G4A3	37+5	Elective Iscs	SA	12.5	72	86	85.3	74.3	100	100	1	35	11	+	10
67	kavitha	20	G2P1L1	38	Emergency Iscs	SA	12	80	92	82.5	76.3	100	98		32	11		8
68	bhavani	22	G2P1L1	38	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.2	76	88	86.4	72.4	100	100		32	10		8
69	venda	24	Primi	39+4	Emergency Iscs	SA	12	72	86	80.4	74.3	100	100	1	32	11		8
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73	shakila	24	G2P1L1	38	Emergency Iscs	SA	11.2	68	78	83.5	78.2	100	98	1	32	10		8
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