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Metastatic bilateral malignant ovarian tumors associated with pregnancy
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Sir,

I appreciate the interest shown by the author Tsai H J in our article, which was published in June 2009 after being accepted in February 2008. Usually the submitted article and references may be of few months earlier as normally time of few months is taken in processing the article till it reaches its final end.

The author has highlighted a lot of case reports out of which many are cases from larger studies of malignant ovarian tumors or adnexal masses and pregnancy was associated in few of the cases. The isolated case reports as such are few. Moreover, our case report was submitted more than 3 years ago and search engine for collecting the data at that time might not have shown the correct picture. To highlight that, even a study recently published in 2011 shows only four case reports (Garcia OFD, Sotomayor MD, Chanana C, “Bilateral Ovarian Krukenberg Tumor in a Full-Term Pregnancy,” ISRN Obstet Gynecol, 2011, Article ID 620380, 2 pages, 2011. doi:10.5402/2011/620380) the fifth case report being their own. So, the author will agree with us that the bilateral malignant ovarian tumor in pregnancy are rare and present the treatment dilemma in pregnancy.

This reply by the author Tsai H J sensitizes us that while quoting for number of cases one should screen extensively different search engines using related key words so as to get the actual position.

We once again appreciate the author’s interest and effort for this article.

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