


Evaluation of treatment modalities of cesarean scar pregnancy

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ABSTRACT

Background: Cesarean scar pregnancy (CSP) occurs when a gestational sac implants within the myometrium or fibrous tissue of a previous cesarean section scar. Management of CSP is challenging as there are no specific guidelines and management should be individualized. Aim of the study: This study aimed to evaluate different treatment modalities for diagnosed CSP cases. **Methods & Materials:** This retrospective observational study was done at the Obstetrics & Gynecology Department, Bangladesh Medical University (BMU), and Central Hospital, Dhaka, Bangladesh from June 2023 to June 2025. Patients were grouped by gestational age, <7.5 weeks (n=10) and >7.5 weeks (n=7), managed according to unit protocol, and treatment modality was recorded. Serum β -hCG was measured pre-treatment and on day 7 to assess percentage decline, with ultrasound follow-up at 15 days and clinical follow-up up to 6 weeks. **Results:** Among 17 cesarean scar pregnancy cases, 10 were <7.5 weeks and 7 were >7.5 weeks. Mean age, symptoms, number of prior cesarean deliveries, and abortion history were similar between groups, with nearly half asymptomatic and bleeding the commonest symptom, and all comparisons were non-significant (p=0.93). Methotrexate plus folinic acid was used in 47.1% overall, while laparotomy with excision of the gestational sac was the most frequent procedure (35.3%), and other modalities were used in small proportions without significant group differences (p=0.42). Pre-treatment β -hCG was comparable between groups, and it declined by day 7 in both; the mean percentage fall was higher in the <7.5-week group (88.87% vs 82.56%), but remained non-significant (p>0.05). **Conclusion:**

Early diagnosis is very important to reducing complication and also in successful management. Medical management may be considered first for hemodynamically stable patients, whereas invasive procedures should be reserved for active bleeding, suspected rupture, high-risk features, or failed conservative therapy.

Keywords: Cesarean scar pregnancy, Methotrexate, and Previous caesarean scar, β -hCG.

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INTRODUCTION

Cesarean scar pregnancy (CSP) is a distinct form of ectopic implantation in which the gestational sac embeds within the myometrial defect, or “niche”, of a previous lower-segment cesarean incision, most often diagnosed in the first trimester by transvaginal ultrasonography (TVS) with supportive Doppler features^[1,2]. Although rare, CSP is being encountered more frequently as cesarean delivery rates rise globally and regionally^[1,3]. Contemporary series estimate an overall incidence around 1 in 2,000 pregnancies, and the burden is expected to increase in populations with high cesarean prevalence^[1,2]. In South Asia, the rapid expansion of facility births and cesarean delivery, including Bangladesh, enlarges the pool at risk, with population studies showing steep upward trends over recent decades^[3,4]. In this context, early recognition and timely, fertility-preserving management are increasingly relevant to routine gynecologic and obstetric practice. CSP carries disproportionate clinical importance because it can progress while remaining unstable, with risks of major

hemorrhage, uterine rupture, need for hysterectomy, and downstream placenta accreta spectrum if a pregnancy continues or is managed late^[1,2,5]. Management is therefore usually directed toward early termination and scar site control while minimizing morbidity and preserving future fertility when desired. However, an internationally accepted “best” strategy has not been established, and practice varies by gestational age, viability, myometrial thickness, vascularity, β -human chorionic gonadotropin (β -hCG) level, clinician expertise, and availability of interventional radiology, hysteroscopy, and minimally invasive surgery^[2,6]. Ultrasound-based grading and classification systems have been proposed to link implantation depth and vascularity with treatment selection, but cutoff thresholds remain inconsistent across studies^[6]. Reported approaches include systemic or local methotrexate (MTX) regimens, suction curettage with adjunct tamponade, hysteroscopic resection, uterine artery embolization (UAE) with or without subsequent evacuation, laparoscopic or transvaginal scar excision and repair, laparotomy, and,

in selected unstable cases, hysterectomy^[7-10]. Large multicenter series suggest higher primary success with hysteroscopy-assisted evacuation than curettage alone, and limited added value of MTX pre-treatment in selected endogenous CSP, yet most comparative data remain heterogeneous with variable definitions of success and inconsistent reporting of bleeding and re-intervention^[7,9,11].

Bangladesh-specific data describing real-world treatment patterns and short-term response metrics for CSP are limited, despite increasing cesarean exposure and resource variability^[3]. An observational evaluation within a tertiary referral center can help contextualize the performance, safety signals, and follow-up needs of commonly used modalities under routine care. Therefore, this study aimed to evaluate different treatment modalities for diagnosed CSP cases.

METHODS & MATERIALS

This retrospective observational study was conducted in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Bangladesh Medical University (BMU) and Central Hospital,

Dhaka, Bangladesh. All consecutive patients diagnosed with cesarean scar pregnancy (CSP) during the study period June 2023 June 2025, were evaluated and treated. Diagnosis was established by transvaginal ultrasonography (TVS) and also β -hCG in patients with a prior lower segment cesarean section, supported by clinical assessment and imaging features consistent with CSP. Gestational age was calculated from last menstrual period and/or early ultrasonography, and participants were stratified into two groups for analysis: Group A (n=10), gestational age <7.5 weeks, and Group B (n=7), gestational age >7.5 weeks. Baseline variables included age, presenting symptoms, number of previous cesarean deliveries, and abortion history. Treatment modality was documented as medical management with methotrexate plus folinic acid rescue, surgical approaches (dilatation

and curettage with or without adjunct procedures, hysteroscopic resection, laparotomy with excision of gestational sac, hysterectomy), or conservative management without surgery. Serum β -human chorionic gonadotropin (β -HCG) was measured pre-treatment and post-treatment, with the post-treatment mean β -HCG specifically recorded on day 7; percentage decline was calculated to assess biochemical response. Follow-up included repeat TVS at 15 days to assess resolution, and patients were monitored for up to 6 weeks to document clinical outcome and any further interventions. Data were collected from the hospital records and analyzed using descriptive statistics in SPSS (v-26.0). Group comparisons used chi-square or Fisher's exact test for categorical variables and Student's t-test for continuous variables, with $p < 0.05$ considered statistically significant.

RESULTS

Among 17 cesarean scar pregnancy cases, 10 were in Group A (<7.5 weeks) and 7 in Group B (>7.5 weeks). Mean age was similar between groups, 28.8 years in Group A versus 30.5 years in Group B (overall mean 29.5 years), with no statistically significant difference ($p=0.51$). Nearly half were asymptomatic (47.1%), while bleeding was the most common symptom (29.4%), followed by pain alone (11.8%), and pain with bleeding (11.8%), with comparable distributions across gestational age groups ($p=0.93$). Most had one previous lower segment cesarean section (70.6%) overall, and 29.4% had two cesarean sections, again without group difference ($p=1.00$). Prior abortion history was absent in 52.9%, one abortion occurred in 35.3%, and two abortions in 11.8%, with no significant group association ($p=0.28$). Medical management with MTX plus folinic acid was used in 47.1% overall, more frequently in Group A (60.0%) than Group B (28.6%), but the difference was not significant ($p=0.34$) *Table I*.

Table I

Baseline demographic, clinical, and obstetric characteristics of cesarean scar pregnancy cases by gestational age group ($n = 17$).

Variables	Category	Total (n = 17), n (%)	Gestational age		p-value
			Group-A (<7.5 w), n = 10, n (%)	Group-B (>7.5 w), n = 7, n (%)	
Age (year)	Mean \pm SD	29.5 \pm 6.1	28.8 \pm 5.25	30.5 \pm 4.8	0.51
Symptoms	Asymptomatic	8 (47.1)	5 (50.0)	3 (42.9)	0.93
	Bleeding	5 (29.4)	3 (30.0)	2 (28.6)	
	Pain	2 (11.8)	1 (10.0)	1 (14.3)	
	Pain with bleeding	2 (11.8)	1 (10.0)	1 (14.3)	
Previous LSCS	1	12 (70.6)	7 (70.0)	5 (71.4)	1.00
	2	5 (29.4)	3 (30.0)	2 (28.6)	
Abortion	0	9 (52.9)	6 (60.0)	3 (42.9)	0.28
	1	6 (35.3)	4 (40.0)	2 (28.6)	
	2	2 (11.8)	0 (0.0)	2 (28.6)	
MTX + folinic acid	Yes	8 (47.1)	6 (60.0)	2 (28.6)	0.34
	No	9 (52.9)	4 (40.0)	5 (71.4)	

Treatment approaches varied across the 17 patients, with laparotomy plus excision of the gestational sac being the most frequent modality, used in 35.3% on cases, 30.0% in Group A and 42.9% in Group B. Simple D and C was performed in 17.6% overall, and no surgery was also reported in 17.6%,

occurring only in Group A (30.0% in Group A, 0.0% in Group B), with overall comparisons remaining non-significant. Hysterectomy was performed in 11.8% overall, while D and C with ligation of the descending cervical artery, D and C followed by hysterectomy, and

hysteroscopic resection were each used in 5.9% of cases, each showing small numbers and no statistically significant difference between gestational age groups ($p=0.424$) *Table II*.

Table II

Distribution of treatment modalities for cesarean scar pregnancy by gestational age group.

Treatment	Total (n = 17), n (%)	Gestational age		p-value
		Group-A (<7.5 w), n = 10, n (%)	Group-B (>7.5 w), n = 7, n (%)	
D and C (simple)	3 (17.6)	2 (20.0)	1 (14.3)	0.42
D and C and ligation of descending cervical artery	1 (5.9)	1 (10.0)	0 (0.0)	
D and C followed by hysterectomy	1 (5.9)	0 (0.0)	1 (14.3)	
Laparotomy followed by excision of scar pregnancy	6 (35.3)	3 (30.0)	3 (42.9)	
Hysterectomy	2 (11.8)	1 (10.0)	1 (14.3)	
Hysteroscopic resection of scar pregnancy	1 (5.9)	0 (0.0)	1 (14.3)	
No surgery	3 (17.6)	3 (30.0)	0 (0.0)	

Mean pre-treatment β -hCG was comparable between groups, 22,130.5 in Group A versus 21,608.78 in Group B ($p>0.05$). After treatment, mean β -hCG

declined to 2,405.05 in Group A and 3,859.56 in Group B. The mean percentage fall in β -hCG was higher in Group A (88.87%) than Group B (82.56%), with no

statistically significant difference reported ($p>0.05$) Table III.

Table III

Serum β -hCG response before and after treatment in cesarean scar pregnancy by gestational age group.

Variables	Gestational age		p-value
	Group-A (<7.5 w), n=10	Group-B (>7.5 w), n=7	
Pre-treatment β -HCG (Mean)	21608.78	22130.5	
Post-treatment β -HCG (Mean)	2405.05	3859.56	>0.05
% Fall in β -HCG	88.87	82.56	

DISCUSSION

Cesarean scar pregnancy (CSP) remains an uncommon but potentially catastrophic form of ectopic implantation, and its clinical importance is increasing in parallel with rising cesarean delivery rates. In this study of 17 CSP cases, the age ranging from 23 to 34 years (mean age 29.5 years), aligning with the reproductive age profile reported across contemporary CSP series and reviews [12-14]. Gestational age range was ranged from 4 week 5 days to 14 weeks. Vaginal bleeding is frequently described as the most common presenting symptom in CSP, ranging from light spotting to profuse bleeding with hemodynamic compromise if not treated promptly. In contrast, the most frequent presentation in our series was absence of symptoms, observed in 47.1% of women, suggesting that a substantial proportion were detected through early imaging rather than symptom-driven presentation. This pattern is comparable to prior reports by Maymon et al. and Lorena et al., where 36.5% and 30.4% of cases, respectively, were asymptomatic [12,15,16]. Per-vaginal bleeding was the second most common presentation in our study (29.4%), consistent with Lorena et al., who also highlighted bleeding as a dominant presenting feature in their case series [15]. Clinically, this reinforces two simultaneous realities: CSP should remain high on the differential when bleeding occurs in early pregnancy after cesarean delivery, and equally, a "well" patient may still harbor a high-risk implantation, emphasizing the value of early transvaginal assessment in women with prior cesarean section.

All women in our study had a history of lower-segment cesarean section (LSCS), most commonly one previous cesarean (70.6%), with the remainder having two prior cesareans (29.4%), broadly similar to patterns described by Kaliamoorthi et al. [12]. Importantly, our distribution illustrates that CSP can occur even after a single cesarean delivery, and while prior uterine surgery is the key risk substrate, the "low cesarean count" does not equate to "low CSP risk" in an individual patient. For diagnosis, transvaginal ultrasonography remains the principal, cost-effective modality, with reported sensitivity around

84% [17]. When sonographic criteria are equivocal, MRI can be used as a secondary tool, and diagnostic confidence can be further strengthened by color and power Doppler to characterize peri trophoblastic vascularity and associated indices. In our study, transvaginal ultrasonography confirmed CSP in 16 of 17 cases (94.1%), exceeding the sensitivity reported by Kaliamoorthi et al. and Rotas et al. (85% and 84.6%, respectively) [12,18], a difference that may reflect earlier gestational presentation, operator expertise, and systematic use of transvaginal techniques in a high-suspicion population. Cesarean scar pregnancy is often misdiagnosed either as cervical pregnancy or spontaneous abortion in progress [19,20]. Previous studies of 45 patients with scar pregnancies were reported; 21 were initially wrongly diagnosed as spontaneous abortion or cervicocisthmic pregnancy. In our study, we found 3 out of 17 cases were initially misdiagnosed as an incomplete abortion but finally, they were diagnosed as scar ectopic pregnancy using TVS. Management in our series was intentionally individualized and therefore heterogeneous, with laparotomy plus excision of the scar pregnancy as the most frequent modality overall (35.3%), followed by D&C (17.6%), and hysterectomy required in 4 cases (23.5%) due to uterine rupture and torrential bleeding, with blood transfusion needed in these unstable presentations. This plurality of practice mirrors the wider literature, where systematic reviews consistently demonstrate that no single approach is universally optimal, and treatment selection depends on gestational age, CSP type, vascularity, residual myometrial thickness, hemodynamic status, local expertise, and fertility intent [21-24]. Aggregate evidence suggests high primary success with minimally invasive operative strategies and image-guided uterine evacuation approaches, whereas systemic methotrexate (MTX) alone is associated with lower primary success and more frequent need for additional interventions. In the 2024 meta-analysis by Alameddine et al., successful resolution after primary treatment was reported around 86% with ultrasound-guided suction curettage, 90%

with hysteroscopy, 96% with laparoscopy, versus about 72% with systemic MTX [11]. In line with this, contemporary expert recommendations caution against sharp curettage alone, and generally favor ultrasound-guided vacuum aspiration or operative resection when feasible, with intragestational MTX preferred over systemic MTX when medical therapy is selected [25,26].

Gestational age stratification in our study demonstrated clinically meaningful, although statistically non-significant, trends that were directionally consistent with published experience. MTX plus folinic acid was used more often in earlier gestations (<7.5 weeks, 60.0%) than later gestations (28.6%), while more invasive approaches, including laparotomy and hysterectomy, were proportionally higher beyond 7.5 weeks. This aligns with broader datasets indicating that later gestational age at diagnosis increases procedural complexity and hemorrhage risk, and reduces the feasibility of simple evacuation-only pathways [27]. Our β -hCG kinetics also supported this trajectory, with a greater proportional decline in earlier gestations (88.87% vs 82.56%), consistent with the concept that lower trophoblastic burden and earlier intervention shorten biochemical resolution [12,23-25]. Evidence on MTX further underscores the need for careful candidate selection, since systemic MTX performs better at earlier gestations and lower β -hCG thresholds, while higher β -hCG and larger sac dimensions are associated with reduced success and higher rates of adjunctive procedures [28-30].

LIMITATION

The primary limitation of this study is that vascularity and cesarean scar pregnancy (CSP) subtype were not assessed during the ultrasound examination. Additionally, the small sample size, which reflects the low incidence of CSP, may limit the generalizability of the findings.

CONCLUSION

Early diagnosis is feasible with transvaginal ultrasonography, ideally complemented by color, or power Doppler to assess implantation site vascularity and guide risk stratification. Although no single treatment is universally established, we

suggest medical management as the initial approach for carefully selected, hemodynamically stable patients, with close clinical and sonographic monitoring. Invasive interventions, including, laparotomy with excision of scar pregnancy, uterine artery embolization, or hysterectomy or ligation of the descending cervical artery, should be reserved for patients with active heavy bleeding, suspected rupture, failed conservative therapy, or high-risk anatomical features. In our experience, β -hCG trends are useful for follow-up but should not be the sole determinant of treatment selection. Standardized diagnostic criteria, coupled with a structured management and follow-up protocol, can improve uterine preservation, reduce hemorrhagic complications, and support safer, timely care for this challenging form of ectopic pregnancy.

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