

Sacral Parasite Conjoined Twin

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摘要

Abstract

BACKGROUND: A variant of conjoined twins is one in which one twin is incomplete.

CASE: A female infant was born vaginally at 40 weeks' gestation to a healthy primipara.

No important abnormalities were noted during prenatal examinations. The infant was fully developed in all external aspects except for a parasitic body conjoined with her

sacroccocygeal region. Separated by operation 2 weeks after birth, the parasite contained lower limbs, adipose tissue, muscles, and a bowel sac. Over 4 years of observation, no

abnormalities have been found since the operation. CONCLUSION: Obstetricians should be aware of the existence of a parasite twin during prenatal examinations and of the

importance of the differential diagnosis of parasite and teratoma, a neoplasm with malignant potential.