

# **Laparoscopy-guided myometrial biopsy in the definite diagnosis of diffuse adenomyosis**

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摘要

## **Abstract**

**BACKGROUND:** The purpose of this study was to investigate the usefulness of laparoscopy-guided myometrial biopsy in the diagnosis of diffuse adenomyosis.

**METHODS:** This prospective non-randomized study (Canadian Task Force classification II-1) was conducted in a tertiary medical center. One hundred patients who had clinical signs and symptoms strongly suggestive of adenomyosis were included as the study sample. Transvaginal sonography, serum CA-125 determination and laparoscopy-guided myometrial biopsy were performed.

**RESULTS:** The mean largest myometrial thickness was  $3.10 \pm 0.56$  cm (range 2.30 – 4.50). The mean serum CA-125 level was  $49.64 \pm 38.30$  U/ml (range 10.90 – 205.28). Of these 100 patients, adenomyosis was pathologically proven in 92 patients, small leiomyoma in four patients and myometrial hypertrophy in four patients. The sensitivity of myometrial biopsy was 98% and the specificity 100%; the positive predictive value was 100% and the negative predictive value 80%, which were superior to those of transvaginal sonography, serum CA-125 determination or the combination of both.

**CONCLUSION:** Laparoscopy-guided myometrial biopsy is a valuable tool for obtaining a definite diagnosis of diffuse adenomyosis with preservation of the uterus in infertility workup or in the evaluation of dysmenorrhea or chronic pelvic pain.