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Clinical Management of Borderline Ovarian Tumors

Message from the Guest Editor

Borderline ovarian tumors (BOTs) are rare, but have shown an increase in the global incidence, biological behavior and prognosis between benign and malignant tumors. These tumors mostly occur in young women of reproductive age, and although they have a favorable prognosis, their management by consensus is essential to limit the risk of invasive recurrence. The global recurrence rate is estimated to be between 5% and 34%. Controversies surround the diagnostic criteria used for their assessment, and the optimal management to minimize their risk of recurrence, especially into malignant carcinoma. Fertility preservation is considered a cornerstone in the management of young patients. There is a similarity of histological features and survival between ovarian mucinous carcinoma (MC) with expansile invasion and ovarian mucinous borderline tumor (MBT). The prognostic outcome of MC with expansile invasion might mimic that of MBT. Recent studies have shown that ovarian borderline tumor treatment can be applied to MC treatment. There is disagreement in the current literature on several points concerning the safest and most effective way to manage women with these pathologies.

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