Introduction

Nabothian cysts
• Commonly seen on the transformation zone
• Easily recognized by their characteristic appearance
• 2-10 mm in size
• Asymptomatic
• Only rarely do they grow large, symptomatic or lead to diagnostic dilemma

Case
• 47 year old, para 3 (1 cesarean and bilateral tubal ligation)
• Presented with acute onset pain and mass at the introitus since 1 day
• No prior history of mass descending per vaginum
• No increased vaginal discharge
• No abnormal bleeding or dyspareunia

On examination
• 6 x 4 cm, tender, cystic mass at the introitus
• Examination under anesthesia
  • Pedunculated cyst arising from the anterolateral cervical lip
  • Other areas of cervix appeared normal
• Cyst excised by clamping and cutting the pedicle
• Hysteroscopy normal
• Rest of the gynecological examination unremarkable
• Post operative period uneventful
• Histology reported as Nabothian cyst

Discussion

Nabothian cysts are mucin containing inclusion cysts in the transformation zone of the cervix. There have been few case reports of cysts growing to a large size and then presenting as adnexal mass, complex cysts or prolapse. In our case the large Nabothian cyst mimicked acute inflammatory cyst but examination under anesthesia and histology was helpful in reaching the diagnosis.