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## **Clinicopathological Study of Orchidectomy Lesions**

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## ABSTRACT

Testicular tumors are relatively rare and constitute fourth most common cause of death from neoplastic conditions in young male population. They are of great interest and importance because of varied histological appearance and diverse views regarding histogenesis. A study was conducted involving 50 cases and each specimen was examined for gross and histopathological examinations. The result of study showed a relatively low frequency of testicular tumors compared to non-neoplastic lesions. Despite all the new techniques in imaging and tumor marker assay the diagnosis of testicular lesion is primarily dependent upon histopathogical examination.

Keywords: Testicular lesions, Neoplastic, Non-neoplastic.

## Introduction

Testis is affected by both non-neoplastic and neoplastic conditions. Testicular tumors are relatively rare and constitute fourth most common cause of death from neoplastic conditions in young male population.<sup>[1]</sup> They are of great interest and importance because of varied histological appearance and diverse views regarding histogenesis.

Clinical data, investigations, operative findings, gross features and histopathological examination of lesions may provide important and at times decisive diagnostic clues. Objective is to study incidence of both neoplastic and non-neoplastic lesions in orchidectomy specimens to determine incidence and age wise distribution.

## **Materials & Methods**

A study was conducted involving 50 cases from November 2012 to 2016 (5 year). Specimens of orchidectomy in history of prostate carcinoma are also included in the study. Clinical details and investigation was recorded. Each specimen was subjected to gross examination and histopathological features were noted on H & E stained slides of all specimens.

## Results

Out of 50 orchidectomy specimens 11 were neoplastic and 39 were non-neoplastic lesions. Among non-neoplastic lesions 11 showed normal testicular tissue, 8 atrophic testis, 6 cases involved both testicular infarct and gangrenous testis, 4

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maturation arrest, 3 torsion testis, 2 chronic non specific epididymo-orchitis, 2 cryptorchidism, 2 hematocele, 1 granulomatous orchitis. Neoplastic lesions included 3 classical seminoma, 3 mixed germ cell tumor, 3 sertoli cell tumors, 1 embryonal carcinoma and 1 yolk sac tumor.

Most of testicular lesions were more common in age group of 20-30 yrs and unilateral involvement of right sided testis was more common than bilateral involvement of testis. All patients had a similar complaint of testicular swelling and pain along with fever and revealed a hypoechoeic mass which showed vascularity on affected side on USG.

### Figure 1



#### Figure 2





Figure 3





Figure 4

Non-neoplastic



#### Figure 5

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SR NO	AUTHORS (YEARS)	NON-NEOPLASTIC	NEOPLASTIC
1	Haas GP et al (1986) <sup>[7]</sup>	31%	69%
2	Kressel K et al (1988) <sup>[6]</sup>	13.6%	87.4%
3	Robertson GS (1995) <sup>[5]</sup>	31.5%	68.4%
4	Karki S et al (2012) <sup>[2]</sup>	88.6%	11.4%
5	Mahesh BP et al (2015) <sup>[4]</sup>	20%	80%
6	Hemavathi Reddy et al. (2016) <sup>[3]</sup>	86%	14%
7	Present study	78%	22%

## Table 1: Distribution of non neoplastic lesions

Name	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	>70	Total (n=39)
Normal testicular tissue	0	1	0	2	2	2	4	11 (28%)
Testicular atrophy	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	08 (21%)
Maturation arrest	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	04 (10%)
Testicular infarct	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	03 (7.5%)
Gangrenous Testis	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	03 (7.5%)
Torsion testis	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	03 (8%)
Undescended testis	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	02 (5%)
Chronic nonspecific epididymo-orchitis	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	02 (5%)
Hematocele	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	02 (5%)
Granulomatous Orchitis	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	01 (3%)

## Table 2: Distribution of neoplastic lesion

Name	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	Total (n=11)
Classical seminoma	2	0	1	0	0	3 (27%)
Mixed germ cell tumour	0	3	0	0	0	3 (27%)
Sertoli cell tumour	1	0	1	0	1	3 (27%)
Embryonal carcinoma	0	1	0	0	0	1 (9%)
Yolk sac tumour	1	0	0	0	0	1 (9%)

## Discussion

Various authors studied the incidence of benign and malignant lesions, which were compared with the present study. In present study most common

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lesions has non-neoplastic etiology. Neoplastic etiology constituted 22% and non-neoplastic etiology constituted 78%. We correlated our study with other 6 studies which are Hemavathi Reddy et al (2016), Mahesh BP et al (2015), Karki S et al (2012), Robertson GS (1995), Kressel K et al (1988), and Hass GP et al (1986) <sup>[2,3,4,5,6,7]</sup>. Our study is correlating to studies of Karki S et al (2012) & Hemavathi Reddy et al (2016) <sup>[2,3]</sup>.

Non neoplastic lesions are commonest in age group of 31-40 yrs (10 cases) followed by 21-30 yrs (9 cases). Normal testicular tissue was found to be commonest in non-neoplastic etiology which comprised 28% out of all. Most of them have history of prostate cancer. Atrophic testis (21%) was the second most common lesion which was closely correlating with the study done by Hemavathi Reddy et al (19.8%)<sup>[3]</sup>. Relative frequency of testicular torsions, testicular infarct, gangrenous testis comprised together 18% in present study and which were 22%, 10.1%, and 13.1% in studies done by Hemavathi Reddy et al, Srinivasn A et al, and Rizvi SA et al respectively <sup>[3][8][9]</sup>.

Cryptorchidism comprised 5%, however none of them showed malignancy, while it was about 8.24% in the study by Mahesh BP, et al (2015)<sup>[4]</sup>. We had also lesions like maturation arrest and hematocele which comprised 10% & 5% out of all non-neoplastic lesions respectively.

Out of 50 orchidectomy specimens 11 were neoplastic lesions, which constitute 22%. Most of the neoplastic lesions were found in age of 2nd and 3rd decades, comprised total 8 out of 11 cases. Out of the total 11 neoplastic lesions in this study, 73% means 8 cases comprised of germ cell tumors, which was 78.57% & 62.5% in the study done by Hemavathi Reddy et al<sup>[3]</sup> and Karki at al<sup>[2]</sup> respectively. Among the 8 cases of germ cell tumors in this study, mixed germ cell tumors and seminoma comprised about 37.5% each which is similar to 30-40% in study by Karki et al<sup>[2]</sup>.

Sertoli cell tumour comprises about 27% (3 cases) of total neoplastic lesions. Yolk sac tumour and embryonal carcinoma comprise about 9% each in our study. Age group of patients studied among

neoplastic lesions in 3rd decade was 45.4% in present study while in study done by Syed Q et al (39.7%) and Deotra et al  $(32\%)^{[1]}$ .

## Conclusion

Our study concluded that non neoplastic lesions of testis are commoner than neoplastic lesions. The incidence of Non-neoplastic lesions of the testis are most common in the 4th decade while malignancy was common in 2nd to 3rd decade of life according to our study. Out of all non-neoplastic lesions, normal histology was the predominant finding followed by atrophic testis. Germ cell tumors formed the bulk of neoplastic lesions. Amongst them Seminomas & Mixed germ cell tumours were the most common ones.

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