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Vulvar lipoma: a Case Report

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# Case Report and literature review

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#### **Introduction:**

Lipomas are widely disseminated benign mesenchymal neoplasms commonly found over the neck and upper back, shoulders, abdomen, buttocks, and proximal portions of the extremities  $[\underline{1,2}]$ . Vulva localizations are rare, and very few cases have been reported  $[\underline{3,4}]$ .

and its diagnosis is confirmed by the histopathological description of a well-circumscribed collection of mature adipose tissue.

The etiology of lipoma is still to be elucidated, but it has been reported that trauma [2] and gene rearrangement [3] may play a role in its development an association with gene rearrangements of chromosome 12 has been established in cases of solitary lipomas, as has an abnormality in

The HMGA2-LPP fusion gene. [5, 6]

We report the case of a vulvar lipoma that was diagnosed in a 29-year-old woman.

Our case is the first case of vulvar lipoma as of our knowledge to be reported in Saudi Arabia.

#### Case presentation:

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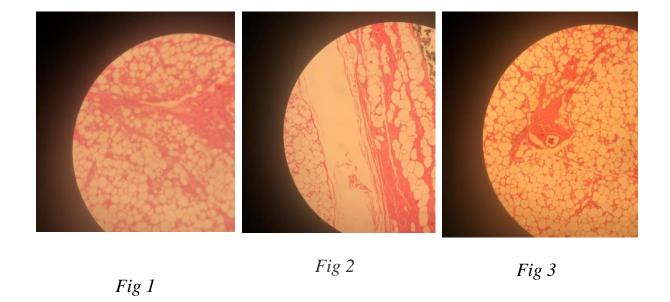
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# Discussion:

Lipomas are the most common soft tissue tumours. These slow-growing, benign fatty

Tumours form soft, lobulated masses enclosed

By a thin, fibrous capsule. Common sites are

Upper back, neck, abdomen. [1]

Lipomas occur in 1% of the population [1]

But there are very few reports of conventional lipomas in vulva,[1, 8\_14] table 1



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### Table: Cases of vulvar lipomas reported in literature

Author	Age of Patient	Duration	Site	Size
	(yr)			(cms)
De Lima Filho et al	35 years	10 years	Right labia majora	10
Fukamizu et al	7 months	7 months	Right labia majora	3.5 5.5 3.5
Van Glabeke et al	5 months	5 months	PreputiumClitoridis	Unknown
Kehagias et al	52 years	Unknown	Right labia majora	17 13 7
Agarwal et al	35 years	6 months	Left labia majora	4 4
Jung Hoon Le et al	17 years	12 months	Right labia majora	8.2 5.5 3.8
Pravin N Tungenwar et al	40 years	2 years	Right labia majora	4.5 3.5
Basel Khreiset et al	30 years	2 years	Right labia majora	15 x 6 cm
Sofia Jayi et al	27 year	1 year	Left labia majora	6 cm
Hasijashweta et al	58 year	10 year	Left labia majora	98
Navenkumardekonda et al	32 year	3 year	Right labia majora	6.4 3.2
Navenkumardekonda et al	28 year	1 1/2	Left labia majora	5 3
Navenkumardekonda et al	55 year	2 year	Left labia majora	96
Current Case	29 years	3 years	Left labia majora	5 x 4 x 2

Lipomas can be managed conservatively, especially if they are small in size and asymptomatic, Surgical excision, liposuction, laser, ultrasound and injection of pharmaceutical agents are management options for the treatment of lipomas.[15]

If they grow large, they may cause discomfort and disfigurement, and may result in psychological and social problems.

Complete surgical excision with the capsule

Is advocated to prevent local recurrence in

Case of lipoma, while wide local excision will

Be required for liposarcoma.



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Surgery also allows for excluding any malignant tumoral evolvement via a histological study [1, 2]. Typically, a histological study shows a thin peripheral capsule surrounding a lobular proliferation of adipocytes [3]. Recurrence is possible; short-term recurrence should draw the attention of clinicians to possible malignant tumor evolvement.

#### **Conclusion:**

Vulvar lipoma is extremely rare. Very few cases has been reported in literature. Treatment is adequate surgical excision.

Confirmation by histopathology is mandatory to

exclude malignancy.

To our knowledge, this is the first case of a conventional vulvar lipoma reported in Saudi arabia.

## **Conflict of Interests**

The authors have none to declare.

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