INTRACYSTIC BREAST CARCINOMA – CASE REPORT

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Intracystic carcinoma of the breast is an uncommon form of the breast carcinoma. Among all malignant breast tumors, this lesion has an incidence of 0.5-1 %. Intracystic breast carcinoma is a type of breast cancer with favorable prognosis where cancer arises from the cystic wall, typically present in postmenopausal women with an average age between 55 and 67 years old.

The author report the case of a 62 years old woman presented to the Breast Diagnostic Clinic with a mass in the upper internal quadrant of the left breast. Physical examination revealed a 3 cm mobile mass, non painful or nipple discharge and without skin changes. Mammography showed an oval opacity with circumscribed margins and without calcifications. Ultrasonography showed a cystic mass with posterior acoustic enhancement and a little solid component. Fine needle aspiration biopsy cytology of the cyst revealed a bloodstained fluid with class V disease. The mainstay of the treatment was surgical resection with adjuvant therapy.

Intracystic breast carcinoma is a rare breast malignancy with an excellent prognosis in it’s pure form.