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Littoral cell angioma: A case report

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Abstract

Primary splenic lesions are rare entities among which Littoral Cell Angioma (LCA) is a recently described, uncommon vascular lesion that is unique to the spleen. It has heretofore been described primarily in pathologic series and has been found mostly to behave as a benign entity. However, a few reports of malignant variants have been reported. We present a case report of a solitary LCA discovered after splenectomy for an incidentally discovered splenic lesion, along with a literature review.

Key words: Littoral Cell Angioma and splenic tumor

Core tip: Littoral cell Angioma is a rare vascular lesion of the spleen. It is a benign lesion that has recently had malignant variants reported in the literature. It is not

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Littoral cell angioma is a rare primary vascular neoplasm of the spleen, composed of littoral cells that line the splenic sinuses of the red pulp. It was thought to be a benign, incidental lesion. However, many recent reports have described it to be a malignant lesion with congenital and immunological associations. The definitive diagnosis can only be made after histology and immunohistochemistry studies.

Keywords: Immunohistochemistry, littoral cell angioma, malignancy

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Littoral cell angioma (LCA) is a rare primary vascular neoplasm of the spleen, first described by Falk *et al.* [1] in 1991. It is thought to arise from the littoral cells that normally line the splenic sinuses of the red pulp. Littoral cell angioma was originally believed to be benign but many recent reports have suggested that it is

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