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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Comment on the manuscript : "Termination of a partial hydatidiform mole and coexisting 1 fetus: A case report" The case presented here, partial hydatidiform mole with coexisting fetus is rare, and consequently, there are very few experiments in treatment and termination. According to table 1, all the previously cases need to end the



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pregnancy. Nevertheless, It is a hard case for physicians when they are confronted to, and for parents because a hard decision must be taken. The decision is not devoid of ethical problems. And the manuscript is more a question of ethics than scientific. The case is well explained by the authors, and there is no remark about the description. The authors explain the controls they performed before making a decision. The controls are firstly the review of bibliographic data on this rare pathology. Medical checks were also carried out with all the possibilities offered by the current technical means. Both the physicians and parents of the fetus have been confronted to a hard decision. The choice of a caesarean is honestly described. The case is also an opportunity to understand the reasons for this malformation. Any questions Page 8, 2nd paragraph: "Moreover, the onset of severe vaginal bleeding at 22 weeks rendered the pregnancy unsustainable". 1) Can the authors summarize some medical or scientific reasons for this assessment? All the readers are not specialized in obstetrics, even if they know embryonic development, and it would be useful to know these reasons. 2) In the present case, what were the risks of vaginal bleeding for the mother if the pregnancy was not interrupted? Was the mother's life endangered? it is not well clear. 3) The decision was rendered for this case. Perhaps this was the best decision in this case, but can we really generalize this type of termination in all cases? Each case is certainly special and should be treated as such, relying of course on previous experiences 4) Ethics This case report being a medical case ending with a caesarean in order to interrupt the pregnancy and extract the fetus, the manuscript meets the requirement of ethics. I presume that several documents were needed to perform a caesarean section and to terminate the pregnancy in the 2nd trimester, but the existence of these documents is not mentioned in the manuscript. Please, give patient's consent, and also the authorization to proceed to a cesarean and a termination of pregnancy in the second trimester? Conclusion As this case is rare, this report is certainly useful and could be added to the other data of the



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literature. It could be published after answers to my remarks and providing the authorizations needed to proceed to the caesarean and pregnancy interruption.

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