

Genital Herpes and pregnancy

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Female patient aged 30, at 7 months of pregnancy, admitted to gynecology for genital pain associated with pruritus that has been evolving for one week .

On clinical examination, she presents a vulvar edema, ulceration with polycyclic contours and some vesicles on the periphery. The diagnosis of herpes genital was confirmed. (fig 1). The patient took an antiviral treatment.

Genital herpes is a sexually transmitted disease caused by the herpes simplex virus (HSV). It is the most frequent cause of genital ulceration worldwide. (1)

Clinically, it is presented by vesicles grouped in bouquet with polycyclic contours genital and even anal patients may be asymptomatic or have pain or pruritus with a regional lymphadenopathy. Although the treatment of this entity is well codified, the risk remains to develop neonatal herpes especially in asymptomatic patients.

Use of condoms and antiviral medications is important in preventing transmission. (2)



Ulceration with polycyclic contours and some vesicles on the periphery

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