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## Ovarian neoplasm in childhood & adolescents : During 20 years at Pathology Center of Imam Reza Hospital

### Abstract :

**Objective:** Ovarian tumors represent about 1.5% of all tumors in childhood and adolescence and about 95% of all gynaecologic tumors . This paper analyzes 79 cases of ovarian tumor in children and adolescents .

**Material & Method:** In this retrospective study 79 cases with ovarian tumor in children and adolescents treated in Mashhad Imam Reza Hospital from March 1981 to March 2001 were evaluated .

**Result:** All cases were under 20 years with median age 17.4 years , and the youngest was 13 months . The tumors were classified according to WHO classification. Of 79 cases 61 (77.3%) were benign and 18(22.7%) were malignant . Forty (50.2%) were considered to be of germ cell, 34 ] (43.1%) ] celomic epithelial, 3 (3.7%) sex cord-stromal origin, 1(1.2%) Burkitt lymphoma and 1] (1.2%) mixed epithelial and germ cell origin . Forty cases had germ cell tumor: there were 26 teratoma, 9 dysgerminoma, 3 yolk sac tumor, 2 malignant mixed germ cell tumor . Thirty-four cases had epithelial neoplasm , 25 benign serous neoplasm and 9 mucinous tumor . Two cases of mucinous neoplasm were borderline and malignant . Three cases had sex cord stromal tumor : 1 setoli – lydig, 1 juvenile granulosa cell tumor, 1 fibrothecoma.

In 76 cases were tumors unilateral and 3 cases (2 patients with dysgerminom and 1 patient with Burkitt lymphoma) ] were bilateral . Tumoral torsion accounted for 11.3% of diagnosis.

**Conclusion:** Germ cell tumors are the most common ovarian neoplasm seen in the pediatric and adolescent age group . ] Epithelial and sex cord stromal tumors are less common . ] These neoplasms are benign, borderline or malignant . ] It is very important to diagnosis exactly and to assess suitable treatment in this age group to protect fertility.

**Key words:** Ovarian tumors –Childhood-Adolescence-Germ cell tumor

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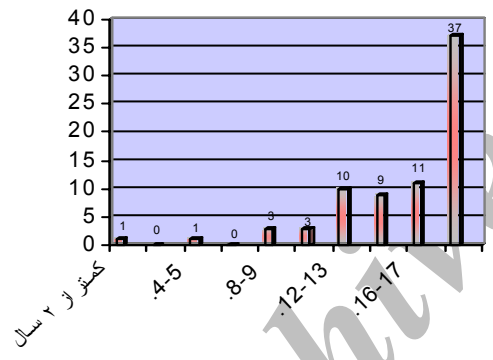
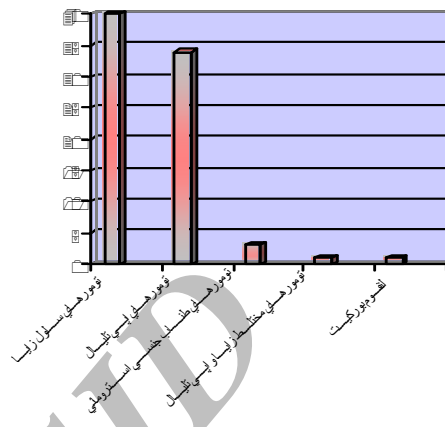
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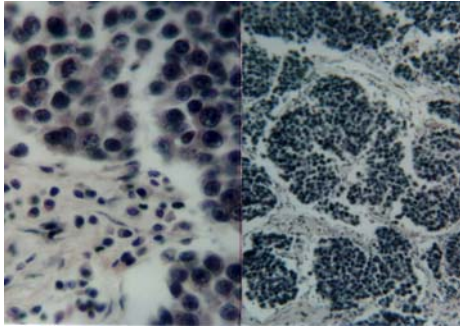
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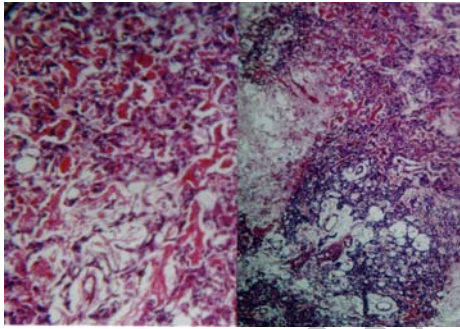
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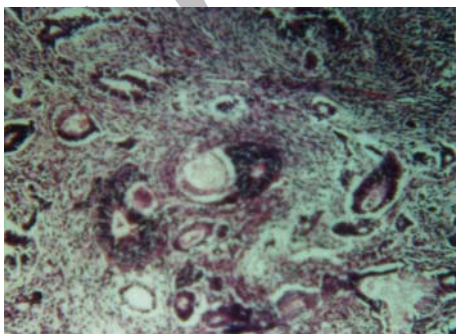
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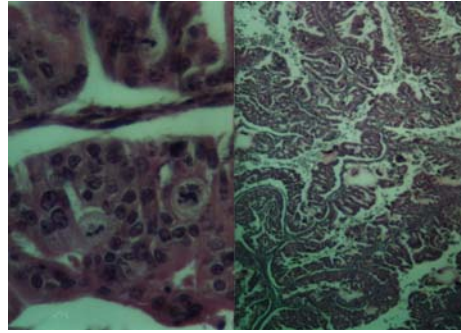
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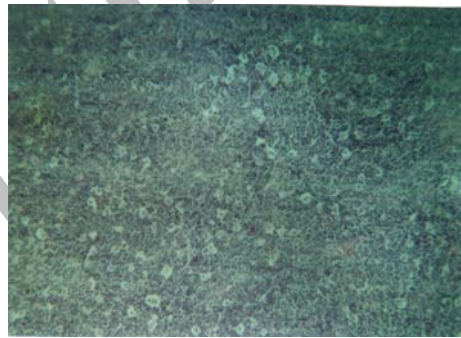


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