

Is Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy Safe in Late Pregnancy?

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ABSTRACT

Gallbladder disease is second to acute appendicitis in pregnancy, which would require surgical intervention. Twelve percent of all pregnancies are complicated by gallstones; 33%-40% fail to resolve by conservative management. Laparoscopic cholecystectomy which was considered to be technically difficult in advanced pregnancy is now the accepted treatment for failed conservative management.

We present three cases, successfully managed by laparoscopic surgery in late pregnancy.

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