

### Summary

Four patients, 23–34 years old, who developed endometriomas at the site of an episiotomy 19 months to 11-years postpartum are reported. Pain, swelling and pruritus varying in intensity with the menstrual cycle were present in all. Complete excision is curative. Symptoms of incompletely excised endometriomas may be controlled by local hormonal injections or systemic hormonal manipulation.

The anatomy of the endometrium and its physiologic behavior are reviewed. A concept of WHY endometriomas develop is presented which is compatible with the theories of HOW they occur.

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### Erratum

An error appeared in the article "Squamous-cell Carcinoma of the Proximal Colon: Report of a Case and Review of the Literature," by Drs. Burgess, Lupton, and Talbot, published in the May-June 1979 issue.

On page 243 (column 2), the sentence "Of the seven patients for whom information is given, three died 18 months postoperatively and two died after two years" should read: "Of the seven patients for whom information is given, three survived 18 months postoperatively and two survived after two years."