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Title: Sister Mary Joseph's Nodule following Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy: A Case Report

Recommendation:	Rating _	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Accept as it is □□□□	Originality	✓			
Accept after minor revision □ ✓ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □	Techn. Quality		✓		
	Clarity		✓		
Do not accept (<i>Reasons below</i>) $\Box\Box\Box$	Significance _	✓			

Reviewer Name: Sakshi Jaju Date: 18/09/2025

Reviewer s Comment for Publication.

This case report describes an 80-year-old female who developed a Sister Mary Joseph's Nodule a rare umbilical lesion signaling advanced cancer seven weeks after laparoscopic cholecystectomy for what was thought to be a benign gallbladder condition. Later investigations revealed gallbladder adenocarcinoma with peritoneal carcinomatosis. The article highlights the importance of recognizing SMJN early since it usually indicates advanced cancer with limited treatment options.

Strengths:

- 1. Adds valuable information about a rare presentation after gallbladder surgery.
- Clear images and description aid understanding.
- 3. Provides historical background and clinical relevance.

Weaknesses:

- 1. Single case reesults cannot be generalized.
- 2. No detailed information about patient outcome after diagnosis.
- 3. Lack of therapeutic discussion: Minimal information on treatment beyond palliative care.

Overall Assessment:

This article is informative and well-written, highlighting a rare postoperative complication. It is suitable for publication as a case report but would benefit from more details on patient prognosis and management strategies. The article should be written properly for better understanding.

Recommendation:

Manuscript accepted for the publication after minor revision.