

VULVAL EPIDERMOID CYSTS

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ABSTRACT

Epidermal cysts are benign neoplasms appearing in the skin and are surrounded by an epithelial wall which is similar to the superficial epithelium. They are most frequently located on the face, trunk, extremities and on the scalp, while they are very rare on the vulva.

A case of epidermoid cysts on labia majora in a 47-year-old patient is described.

KEY WORDS

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INTRODUCTION

Epidermal cysts are benign unilocular neoplasms located in the dermis, usually globe-shaped, with an epithelial wall which is similar to the superficial epidermis. The most frequent seats in decreasing order are: the face, the trunk, the

extremities and the scalp, with a male/female ratio of 2:1. They are very rare before puberty. A case of vulva-seated epidermoid cysts located on the vulva is described.

