CASE REPORT

Dog Circumanal Gland Tumor Surgery (Case Report)

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Abstract

Circumanal gland tumor is widely common in old age of male dog, present case of eight years age male dog, German shepherd breed. Have hard mass growth near anal orifice, it is long polyp, painless, and normal skin coloration. After incision of tumor, and histopathology, it was reveal benign adenoma according to tumorous behavior in histopathology section. Blood parameters were a normal value, after recovery period the dog returned to normal health and activity. In conclusion the Circumanal gland adenoma was revealed non dangerous to old male dogs.

Keywords: Circumanal Gland; Tumor; Adenoma

Introduction

Circumanal gland are modified sebaceous gland and typically located in the premium region [1]. The gland also located in the other area such as dorsal and ventral tail base, upper thigh, dorsal medline and lumber region [2]. The gland produce a foul smelling substances after anal sac empties [3]. Circumanal gland cells is similar to hepatocytes in appearance, therefore called hepatoid gland tumor in case adenoma or malignant [4]. Most Circumanal gland tumors are benign (adenoma), rarely were malignant (adenosarcoma) [5]. The development of Circumanal gland adenomas occurs in old ages of dogs, specially in male dogs [6]. Circumanal gland adenoma is a polyp arises from perineal region near anal orifice, painless, and hard mass [7].

Most veterinary surgeon remove this tumor by complete incision from epidermis and use electrocutery application to prevent tumor recurrence tumor growth [8]. Other veterinary surgeon or veterinary oncologist are use hormonal therapy, neutering, and chemotherapy [9].

Materials and Methods

Eight years age male dog was German shepherd breed, healthy status which suffered from abnormal mass growth near anal orifice. Surgical instruments were used, anesthesia agents (ketamine and xylazine) to anesthetized the patient Figure 1.

The dog was under anesthesia (15 mg ketamine+ 3 mg xylazine) /Kg BW [10]. Cleaned the area to prepared of surgery, the polyp was removed by surgical incision [11], and caustic soda (Na OH) 10% was cauterized after incision to killed tumorous cells [12]. Post surgery care were used course of antibiotic and anti inflammatory drugs. The mass of tumor was kept in 10% neutral formalin and prepared to histopathology and stained with hematoxilin and eosin stain [13]. Blood parameters were examined [14].
Blood parameters were estimated in the following tab.

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Histopathology picture of the tumor Figure 2.

**Figure 1:** The site of tumor, note the tumor mass under tail

**Figure 2a:** Tumor of polyp, note: fields of glandular structure, separated fibrous tissue around artery, stain with H &E X40

**Figure 2b:** Glandular structure in between fibrous tissue, prominent endothelial cell proliferation, stain with H &E X10
Figure 2c: Tumor of polyp, note: fields of glandular structure, separated fibrous tissue around artery, stain with H & E X10 (same Figure 2a)

Figure 2d: Field of tumor show glandular structure of tumor, prominent fibrous tissue stroma among glands, no evidence of malignancy, stain with H & E X100

Figure 2e: Field of tumor show glandular structure of tumor, prominent fibrous tissue stroma among glands, no evidence of malignancy, stain with H & E X400 (same Figure 2a)

Figure 2f: A large artery in the tumor with prominent media and endothelial cells stain with H & E X400

Figure 2g: Section show of glandular structure of tumor with separated fibrous tissue in some mono-nuclear cell, stain with H & E X40

Figure 2h: In area show squamous cell keratinization farther than anal gland tumor, stain with H & E X40
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