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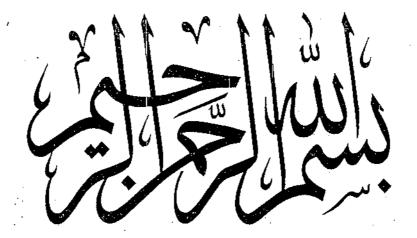
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# NTRODUCTION

#### INTRODUCTION

Endometriosis is the presence of functioning endometrial glands and stroma outside their usual location in the uterine cavity often resulting in significant pelvic adhesions. It is primarily a pelvic disease with implants on, or adhesions of the ovaries, fallopian tubes, uterosacral ligaments, rectosigmoid, and bladder.<sup>(1)</sup>

It is rare to find endometriosis outside the pelvis, suggesting a metastatic spread. Endometriosis is a disease that usually affects women in their reproductive years. It is often associated with: crippling dysmenorrhea, severe dyspareunia, chronic pelvic pain, and infertility.<sup>(2)</sup>

Chronic pelvic pain not responding to medical therapy is due to endometriosis in 60% of cases, and should be referred to a gynecologist who is experienced with subtle laparoscopic finding of atypical endometriosis to diagnose the etiology of the pelvic pain and initiate appropriate therapy.<sup>(3)</sup>

#### **Prevalence of Endometriosis**

Endometriosis is a puzzling disease with little known about its true prevalence, its distribution in the population, or its risk factors. It is thought to be a relatively common disease, however, with an estimated prevalence among women of reproductive age as high as 10%. Given this relatively high prevalence and that women with the disease may have severe pelvic pain and infertility, endometriosis poses a significant public health problem. It is the third leading cause of gynecologic hospitalizations in the United States and a leading cause of hysterectomy. (5)

Table (I) Summarizes the average and range in prevalences reported for women undergoing laparoscopy by indication for surgery. In this table, the women who have received laparoscopy for a specified indication and those who were found to have endometriosis presenting with that indication are summed across several studies. (6,7)