

Reviewer Comments Sheet

Title: Pregnancy-Triggered Triple Autoimmunity (Hashimoto’s Thyroiditis, Antiphospholipid Syndrome and Systemic Lupus Erythematosus).

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This report describes an unusual case of three autoimmune conditions simultaneously present in a pregnant woman. Although not mentioned, it is assumed (given placental findings) that the fetal death was due to APS. Some comments to that aspect would be appreciated, as timing of the events is important. In a patient with HT, it is not unusual for other autoimmune conditions to be present, or easily triggered. In this case, SLE and APS. A key to understanding is through the timing. Information on the pre-pregnancy health history of this patient would be useful. I expect that SLE was present earlier.