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Fibromyoma of Uterus

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INTRODUCTION

Leiomyomas are the most common neoplasms of the female pelvis occurring in 20–25% of women of reproductive age group. They are steroid-dependent tumours that arise from a single cell in the myometrium. Leiomyomas occur in women of reproductive age, often grow during pregnancy, or during oral contraceptive use and regress after menopause, all implicate oestrogen in the pathogenesis

of these tumours. The leiomyomas and adenomyosis often co-exist and share most of the clinical features.

AETIOLOGY

Risk Factors

 Race: Leiomyomas are three to four times more common in black women compared to white women.¹

