

Dorsal pancreas agenesis and ductal adenocarcinoma: surgical implications of an extremely rare association

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Abstract

It is presented the case of a 44-year-old woman with ductal adenocarcinoma of the pancreatic head with associated dorsal pancreas agenesis. In this case, curative intent surgery implies removal of the whole pancreas with its consequences – parental insulin requirement and exocrine pancreatic insufficiency. A review of the literature on the previously reported cases was performed.

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