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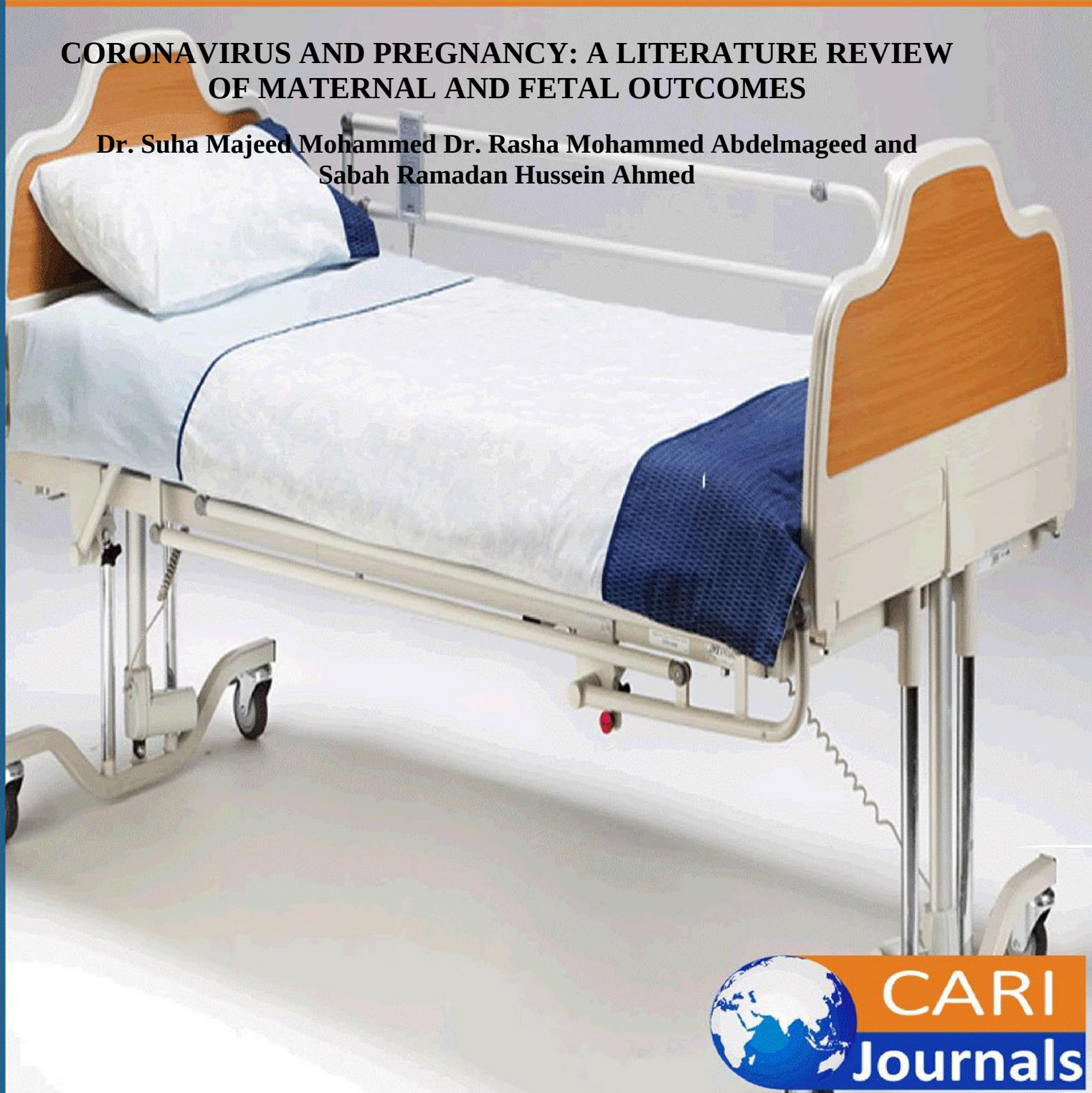

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Abstract

Purpose: This study aimed to conduct a literature review of the maternal and fetal outcomes reported for pregnant women with coronavirus disease.

Methodology: This articles were searched using a diversity of key words such as “Coronavirus and/or pregnancy,” “COVID-19 and/or pregnancy,” “SARS-CoV-2 and/or pregnancy,” “COVID19 disease and/or pregnancy,” and “COVID-19 pneumonia and/or pregnancy”, “Coronavirus and/or maternal and fetal outcomes”, “COVID-19 and/or maternal and fetal outcomes”, without restriction of language to document assembling of as various cases as possible. Those articles were derivative from the World Health Organization (WHO) agendas and rules. Other data related to COVID-19 and reported cases were conducted utilizing seven electronic databases (CINAHL, MEDLINE, ProQuest, PubMed, Scopus, Science Direct, and Cochrane) for studies published in various languages from May 2020 to September 2020.

Results: Pregnant women don't seem to be further vulnerable to penalties of infection of coronavirus than overall people. Clinical research information are anticipated for better appreciative of any morbid effect of this new straining and its health threats on both the mother and neonates. There are no documents to notify whether pregnancy upsurges vulnerability to coronavirus. Fever and cough are the supreme symptoms of coronavirus, with more than eighty percent of hospitalized women donating with these symptoms. As regards to inadequate information and the accessible documents from other respiratory pathogens such as SARS, MERS and influenza, it is indefinite whether pregnant women with coronavirus will involvement extra severe ailment.

Unique Contribution to theory, practice and policy: Coronavirus ailment severity in pregnant women is mild, moderate, and critical seems alike to that in non-pregnant women. Extra studies are required to comprehend and recognize the accurate greatness of jeopardies and improve management about maternal and fetal outcomes.

Key words: *COVID-19, Coronavirus, pregnancy outcomes, fetal death, preterm birth, vertical transmission novel coronavirus.*

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Study

There is a big family of viruses called Coronavirus (CoV) causes illnesses stretching from minor to severe symptoms. A new coronavirus appearance, called SARS CoV-2, and the possibly lifefrightening respiratory illness that it can create, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), has fast feast crosswise the world, generating a huge community health problem. Unfortunate viral infections have caused undesirable obstetric consequences including maternal morbidity and mortality, maternal-fetal transmission of the virus, and perinatal infections and death (Rasmussen, et al., 2020). CoVs are a viruses group that co-infects humans and other vertebrate animals that infect the respiratory, gastrointestinal, liver, and central nervous systems (Wang, 2006).

COVID-19 is an illness that is being predatory practically done with the globe currently, with the virus name Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus-2 (SARS-COV2). The initial case of unknown cause pneumonia was informed on December 31, 2019, starting from Wuhan, Hubei Province, China. People and their ailments can be easily passed on to any place over a limited time. SARS-CoV-2 started alike all novel viruses when a set of patients came to a hospital with pneumonia evicted to have a novel coronavirus. The virus's extraordinary spread made the epidemic in China develop into a universal pandemic with a continuing recording of different cases and deaths daily (AlTakarli, 2020; Gorbalenya, et al., 2020).

The electron microscope viewed **coronavirus appearance** similar halos or coronas; it is a single strand of RNA, thirty-three kilo in length. These viruses transfigure and alteration at a great rate, which can generate confusion for both diagnostic finding along with treatment or vaccine procedures. They have an unfamiliar duplication procedure. Numerous RNA virus genomes comprise a single open reading frame (ORF) which is interpreted as a single polyprotein that is formerly catalytically sliced into lesser functional viral proteins, on the other hand coronaviruses can comprise up to ten distinct ORFs. Utmost ribosomes interpret the major one of these ORFs, termed replicase, which unaided is double the size of various other RNA viral genomes. The replicase gene encrypts a chain of enzymes that use the respite of the genome as a model to create a group of lesser, overlying envoy RNA molecules, which are formerly interpreted into the operational proteins, the building blocks of new viral particles (Abbas, 2020).

The **incubation period** of coronavirus extended from five to fourteen days. Healthcare workers-patient communication should find out types of severe acute respiratory illness (SARI). Corporate

symptoms comprise SARI for example fever, cough and shortness of breath. Pneumonia, renal failure, and even death are caused in severe cases. The infections may cause mild, moderate or severe symptoms. The infection can get through close contact with an individual who has virus symptoms comprises cough and sneezing. Commonly coronavirus was extent through air-borne zoonotic droplets. Coronavirus was duplicated in ciliated epithelium that produced cellular destruction and infection at infection spot (Johar, 2020). A small number of **pregnant women** may have breathing trouble or dumpiness. But greatest number will have minor to reasonable symptoms of cough similar flu, sore throat, and fever. High risk pregnant women, (hypertension, diabetes, etc.) may admit with pneumonia and noticeable hypoxia. Pregnant women may also admit with unusual symptoms such as body pain, malaise, fatigue with or without gastrointestinal symptoms as nausea and diarrhea (Podovei, et al., 2020; Rasmussen, et al., 2020).

Presently, **diagnostic procedures** and screening of coronavirus differ by organization, however in certain settings where testing accessibility remnants inadequate, the trifling symptoms of particular cases might have been not enough to swift coronavirus diagnosis. It is sensible to doubtful that asymptomatic coronavirus appearances are communal and denote a significant effect to ailment extent (Wang, et al., 2020; Bai, et al., 2020). Numerous testing protocols for the disease have been published by WHO. The real-time reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction (rRT-PCR) is a typical testing technique. The test is classically done on respiratory samples attained by a nasopharyngeal swab; however, a nasal swab or sputum sample may also be used. Testing findings are usually obtainable around a few hours to 2 days (Breslin, et al., 2020).

Coronavirus prevention is presented through the quick preparedness that be assumed such as quick reporting and condition observing, and preparation of health services and materials, were all effective in dipping the epidemic in several countries (Kupferschmidt & Cohen, 2020; Cimpanu, et al., 2020). Social distancing and conserving hygiene is the supreme tool to avoid infection in pregnant women. The suggested approach for usual care during pregnancy is to change usual visits. Telephonic meeting can be done for slight illnesses and inquiries. Merely crucial momentous visits such as the twelve- and nineteen-week sonar are desirable. The subsequent visit can be at thirty two weeks pregnancy (European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control, 2020).

To decrease the risk of infection to the patients and health care workers, primary health care corporation (PHCC) in Qatar annulled the schedules for particular high risk people like pregnant women. Equally, PHCC announced simulated remote facilities that achieved to structure for the in-person utilization volume and revealed approval in patients' behaviors. PHCC sustained in discovering positive coronavirus cases amongst its embattled groups. Controlling of coronavirus throughout gestation comprise prompt isolation, forceful infection control techniques, testing for SARS-CoV-2 and co-infection, oxygen treatment as required, prevention of liquid excess, empiric antibiotics for secondary bacterial infection jeopardy, observing uterine contraction and fetal monitoring, prompt mechanical ventilation for advanced respiratory disorders, adjusted labor management, and a team-based method with multispecialty health care providers (Al Kuwari, et al., 2020).

Ring-fenced should be considered to prevent the fast upsurge of coronavirus infection in people and substantial maternity assets from redistribution, to evade damaging the capability of labor and delivery department and to confirm that pregnant and postpartum women and their newborns remain to obtain the harmless potential care (Tekbali, et al., 2020). Owing to physiological changes, vulnerability to infections, and collaborated mechanical and immunological functions, pregnant women epitomize a distinctively susceptible group in any infectious disease epidemic. The requirement to protection the fetus enhances the dare of dealing with their health. Distinctive protections are mandatory to diminish infection spread of healthcare workers even though acting measures that need handy physical interaction and endorse droplet contact, such as vaginal delivery. Abundant of the obstetric management is depend on agreement and best practice endorsements, as clinical effectiveness documents concerning antiviral therapy and corticosteroid use is developing (Dashraath, 2020).

Group-based managing is acclaimed for pregnant women accomplished in a health care competence and should comprise a purpose of the ideal clinical unit on which to afford care. Talent to afford life safety for early recognition of a deterioration maternal ailment, in addition to a capability to screen for confirmation of obstetric problems are required (Pacheco, 2018). According to previous studies about MERS and SARS-CoV-2, choices about the use of corticosteroids for lung maturity of the fetus should be made in discussion with infectious ailment professionals and maternal-fetal medicine specialists. Entirely management should be deliberated theme to review as extra information on pregnant women with coronavirus become accessible (Arabi, et al., 2018).

1.2 Statement of the problem

Coronavirus is a new and is in a fast spread while text current paper. Utmost of current researches are biomedical aiming on persons' physical health. In this context, special effects of coronavirus on maternal and fetal outcomes concerns look relegated. The present study helps to outspread the research possibility on workstation health, by concentrating on the effects of coronavirus on maternal and fetal outcomes (Madappuram & Kamel, 2020). Coronavirus prevention is affected by numerous aspects, one of which is knowledge. To date, knowledge of the coronavirus infection in combination with pregnancy and the fetus is still inadequate and there has been no exact commendation for the pregnant women with coronavirus management (Johar, 2020).

Preceding epidemics of various evolving viral infections have classically stemmed in deprived obstetric consequences comprising maternal-fetal transmission of the virus, maternal morbidity and mortality, and perinatal infections and death (Schwartz, 2020). Different obstetricians and midwives confront the condition that associated with delivery cannot be late forever. The services and maternity healthcare providers henceforward want to organize for the condition to avert the infection concerns on the mother and the fetus (Fattah, 2020). The worldwide incidence of coronavirus disease 2019 infection is quickly aggregate, but there is inadequate information on coronavirus disease 2019 in pregnancy. Little is known concerning the disease influence on

pregnancy. Therefore, the current study was conducted to stand on and review all maternal and fetal outcomes reported for pregnant women with coronavirus disease.

1.3 Research Question

What are the maternal and fetal outcomes for pregnant women with coronavirus disease?

1.4 Study Objective

This study aimed to conduct a literature review of the maternal and fetal outcomes reported for pregnant women with coronavirus disease.

2.0 METHODOLOGY

2.1 Research Design

The current study was designed as integrated literature review to stand on the maternal and fetal outcomes reported for pregnant women with coronavirus disease.

2.2 Data collection

This articles were searched using a miscellany of key words such as "Coronavirus and/or pregnancy," "COVID-19 and/or pregnancy," "SARS-CoV-2 and/or pregnancy," "COVID-19 disease and/or pregnancy," and "COVID-19 pneumonia and/or pregnancy", "Coronavirus and/or maternal and fetal outcomes", "COVID-19 and/or maternal and fetal outcomes", without limitation of language to permit collecting of as numerous cases as probable. Those articles were derived from the World Health Organization (WHO) frameworks and guidelines. Other data related to and reported cases were conducted utilizing seven electronic databases (CINAHL, MEDLINE, ProQuest, PubMed, Scopus, Science Direct, and Cochrane) for studies published in various languages (some studies were translated by researcher through Google translator) from May 2020 to September 2020.

2.3 Study inclusion criteria:

All studies of pregnant women, who recognized a definite diagnosis of coronavirus disease, reported during pregnancy or delivery, reported maternal and fetal outcomes were comprised.

The pregnancy outcomes perceived in the form of:

- Abortion
- Pregnancy induced hypertension (PIH)
- Fetal growth retardation (FGR)
- Premature rupture of membranes (PROM)
- Preterm delivery (earlier 37 or 34 gestational weeks)
- Spinal or epidural analgesia or anaesthesia
- Mode of delivery

The perinatal outcomes perceived in the form of:

- Fetal distress
- Apgar score
- Neonatal asphyxia
- Neonatal intensive care unit admission (NICU)
- Perinatal death (stillbirth and neonatal)
- Vertical transmission
- Postpartum care and breast feeding
- Psychological aspects

3.0 DISCUSSIONS

The unfamiliar pneumonia happened in December, 2019 in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China, has been established to be produced by a new coronavirus (Zhu, et al., 2019; Chen, et al., 2019; Huang, et al., 2020). The novel recognized virus has been newly termed "severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 - (SARS-CoV-2). WHO elected COVID-19 as an ailment produced by SARS- CoV-2 (Liu, et al., 2020). Though, the ailment seems to be principally effective in exceptional individuals that comprise old age people (> 65 years). Likewise pregnant women are deliberated to be an exceptional individual cluster because of the distinctive 'immune suppression' produced by pregnancy (Yang, et al., 2020). The immunologic and physiologic alterations put pregnant women at greater danger of severe ailment or death with coronavirus, paralleled with the other individuals. Though, there is slight information on coronavirus during pregnancy. The current study aimed to conduct a literature review of the maternal and fetal outcomes reported for pregnant women with coronavirus disease (Nie, et al., 2020).

There are around 4782 patients with 337 deaths and 1236 improved patients in Egypt at the end of April 2020. With this pandemic assuming a disaster of worldwide scopes extraordinary in current times and donating an encounter in its resistor and controlling it will be unavoidable to see pregnant women were infected with coronavirus as they are part of the community. Obstetricians and midwives as several of the other professionals confront the condition that situation related to delivery cannot be postponed indeterminately. Therefore the maternity healthcare providers and services want to arrange for the condition with an interpretation to avert the penalties of the infection on the mother and her new-born (Podovei, et al., 2020; Rasmussen, et al., 2020).

Pregnancy upsurges the danger of adversarial obstetric and neonatal consequences from numerous respiratory viral infections. The physiologic and immunologic changes that arise as a usual constituent of pregnancy can have special possessions that raise the threat for problems from respiratory infections. Alterations in the parental cardiovascular and respiratory systems, comprising augmented heart rate, stroke volume, oxygen depletion, and reduced lung volume, in addition to the progress of immunologic alterations that permit a woman to endure an anti-genially unique fetus, upsurge the danger for pregnant women to advance severe respiratory disease (Rasmussen,et al., 2012). Results documents from several research of influenza have established an augmented jeopardy of maternal morbidity and mortality after matched with non-pregnant women (Silasi, et al., 2015).

Although data on COVID-19 continues to inform our understanding of this disease, pregnancyspecific information remains limited (Li, et al., 2020). In preceding pandemics for instance SARS and H1N1, pregnant women were more vulnerable to grave ailment and had more mortality rates than the common people. Moreover, pregnant women with SARS-CoV-2 and coronavirus had a considerably lesser admission percentage than non-pregnant patients with identical infection cases. The lesser rate of coronavirus infection among pregnant women has earlier been stated and is probable because of numerous issues. First and main, testing for the SARS-CoV-2 virus causing coronavirus infection is quiet not worldwide and is kept for symptomatic patients. As pregnant women are younger and are fewer possible to deal the infection and show distinctive symptoms, they are fewer possible to get tested. In addition, hospital admissions for non-pregnant women were for those with symptoms, whereas admissions for pregnant women were usually for labor and delivery and not because of coronavirus symptoms (Rasmussen, et al., 2008, Breslin, et al., 2020).

A serious constituent in the controlling of any communicable disease danger is the care of defenseless people. Pregnant women are identified to be excessively affected by respiratory ailments, which are accompanying with enhanced illness and extraordinary maternal mortality rates. Though most human coronavirus infections are slight, the SARS-CoV and MERS-CoV epidemics of the previous two decades have been particularly serious, with roughly one third of infected pregnant women dying from the disease (Wong, et al., 2004, Alfaraj, et al., 2019). Consequences of coronavirus for pregnant women are a fast progressing epidemic that could have important effects on health field and medical organization, the exclusive requirements of pregnant women should be comprised in preparedness and response plans. The researches of earlier epidemics revealed that, it is serious that pregnant women not be repudiated possibly surveillance interferences in the circumstance of a severe infectious ailment danger unless there is a convincing cause to exclude them. Even though information is restricted, there is no confirmation from other serious coronavirus infections (SARS or MERS) that pregnant women are more liable to infection with coronavirus (Haddad, et al., 2018, Savasi, et al., 2020).

Spinal or epidural analgesia or anaesthesia isn't being evident as contraindicated with infectious pregnant woman with coronavirus. If she necessitates a CS, the identical epidural can be sustained according to the general health status of the mother. For utmost pregnant mothers, spinal anesthesia by typical procedures is appropriate. Conversely, in the condition wherever there is respiratory conciliation, general anesthesia will be required. If general anaesthesia is ordered, the patient should be pre-oxygenated for five minutes with one hundred percent O_2 and accomplish fast sequence induction to prevent manual ventilation of the patient's lungs. Using a great competence hydrophobic viral filter evades infecting the air (Podovei, et al., 2020; Rasmussen, et al., 2020).

Even though there are certain reports of newborns testing positive the transmission method in those patients is not obvious until now. By inadequate documents of deliveries to coronavirus infected mothers, at existent, there is no confirmation of any fetal effects of the infection in terms of fetal defects or other fetal limitations of growth. There is no validation for endorsing amniocentesis to

distinguish fetal infection at this time. Currently, there is no confirmation of developed jeopardy of **abortion** or of **preterm** delivery with coronavirus infection. On the other hand, there is a possibility of indefinite preterm delivery with ailment which can include maternal health (Liang, 2020). Initial knowledge with pregnant women with coronavirus proposes that the consequences of the mother and neonate are promising; nonetheless it is uncertain how and when these women gave birth. Utmost pregnant women with coronavirus thus far have given **preterm** birth by **CS**; in certain women, **CS** was elective. Whether **CS** is necessary or not rests to be recognized (Della Gatta, et., 2020).

The research comprised twenty six pregnant women with SARS-CoV-2 infection with median age of 29 years (IQR 25.5–33). Near three quarter (19) were hospitalized, counting one in intensive care unit (ICU), and altogether were discharged within the follow up dated. Nearby one third (10) pregnant women with coronavirus delivered throughout the follow up period; altogether had **fit newborns** with negative SARS-CoV-2 tests (Omrani, et al., 2020). In this context, primary studies propose that the infection is not transmitted from the mother to newborn by **placental transmission** or through discharges in the genital area. In 2 reports comprising eighteen pregnant mothers with supposed or definite coronavirus, all new-born who were delivered through caesarean section, tested negative for virus, and there were no suggestions of the virus in the amniotic fluid, cord blood or breast milk of the mother (Li, et al., 2020).

Even though the inadequate knowledge with newborn appraisals postpartum with SARS and MERS has not recognized cases of **maternal to- fetal transmission**, reports have appeared in the media of a thirty hour newborn who was established with coronavirus, proposing the likelihood of in utero transmission. Though, inadequate data is comprised in media defines to exclude perinatal or postnatal methods of transmission (D'Amore, 2020). Parturient women should be classified before admission to delivery department, according to severity of coronavirus infection (low, moderate, or high risk) to decide the nature of the infected women and infection control safeguards kind that required of the healthcare providers. The **mode of delivery** is focused by obstetric aspects and clinical determination. There is no definite evidence of **vertical transmission** (Levy, et al., 2008; Chen, et al., 2020) vaginal delivery is not contraindicated in women with coronavirus. A CS is utmost suitable for infected parturient women. Delivery, comprising CS, should be implemented with respiratory safeguards by using packed personal defensive equipment and in rooms with negative pressure ventilation (Maxwell, et al., 2017).

Several newborns were suggestive breath dumpiness in six newborns, cyanosis in three, gastric bleeding in two, and one newborn died of various organs disorders; though, throat swab testing of newborns totally were negative for coronavirus, proposing that these neonatal problems might not be related **intrauterine transmission**. Thus, at this time, it is unknown whether coronavirus can be mother-fetus transmitted. The existing deficiency of data, it looks rational to adopt that a newborn delivered to a women with coronavirus at labor could probably be infected, either in utero or perinatally, and thus should be located in isolation to evade contact to other newborns. Even though the ultimate site for a healthy newborn is within a healthy mother's room, temporary splitup

of a sick woman and her newborn (Rasmussen, 2011). Pregnant women may undergo severe obstetrical consequences after coronavirus infection. Consequently, extra laborious confirmation should be delivered to prove the possible vertical transmission of the virus to avert the infection extent and to recover the obstetrical consequences (Chen, et al., 2020).

Initial study proposes that **the mother-newborn infection isn't transmitted** by placental transfer or via the genital tract discharges. In two studies comprising eighteen pregnant women with established coronavirus, all of the newborns, who were delivered via CS, tested negative for virus, and there were no hints of the virus in the mother's amniotic fluid, cord blood or human milk (Favre, et al., 2020; Qiao, 2020). Even though there are several studies of newborns testing positive the method of transmission in those patients isn't obvious. The inadequate information about deliveries to women infected with coronavirus, at existent, there is no confirmation of any **fetal effects** of the infection in forms of fetal defects or other fetal parameters of growth, amniotic fluid or Doppler directories. There is no interpreting for endorsing amniocentesis to detect fetal infection at this time (Rasmussen, et al., 2020). At present, there is no evidence of higher risk of **abortion** or of **preterm labour** with COVID-19 infection. However with disease which can compromise maternal health, there is a possibility of iatrogenic preterm delivery (Ahmed Taha, et al., 2020).

In a new study by Chen et al, nine women identified with coronavirus throughout the 3rd trimester of gestation were informed. In this trivial study sample, findings were alike to that gotten in women without pregnancy, with fever in seven, cough in four, myalgia in three, and sore throat and malaise each in two women. Five had lymphopenia and all had pneumonia, however no essential need for mechanical ventilation, and no death. Amniotic fluid, cord blood, and neonatal throat swab samples testing were negative for SARS-CoV-2 in the six patients. All women had a **CS**, and **Apgar scores** were 8-9 at first minute and 9-10 at fifth minutes (Chen, et al., 2020). In another study of nine pregnant women with ten newborns stated by Zhu et al., symptom start was earlier to labor (1-6 days) in four women, on the day of labor in two, and afterward labor (1-3 days) in three women. Outcomes of coronavirus were like to that realized in non-pregnant women. Amongst the nine pregnant women, intrauterine **fetal distress** was illustrious in six, seven were **CS**, and six preterm newborns were obtained (Zhu, et al., 2020). However, coronavirus should not be the only suggestion for the **CS**. The **scheduling and labor approach** should rely on the gestational age, the maternal and fetal condition (Nie, et al., 2020).

As related to perinatal outcomes Wu, et al., stated that, in the five women in the first trimester of pregnancy, all five women delivered a live newborn; one newborn had a one-minute **Apgar score** of seven and five- minutes Apgar score of nine, however the other four newborns had normal Apgar scores. Two newborns were born **prematurely** and established with newborns pneumonia. SARS-CoV-2 nucleic acid tests of neonatal throat and anal swabs were all negative on the first and third days post delivery (Wu, et al., 2020). Alterations in **fetal heart rate configuration** may be an initial pointer of maternal respiratory worsening. Established knowledge with SARS and MERS revealed that, serious respiratory disorders might happen in pregnant women, and in the greatest risk cases, mechanical ventilation might not be adequate to maintenance suitable oxygenation. If

that arises, inadequate studies propose a possible starring role of extracorporeal membrane oxygenation in pregnancy; use should be measured merely in centers that have practice with this procedure (Pacheco, 2018). Whether labor delivers advantage to an unfavorably sick woman is indefinite; choices concerning labor should ruminate the gestational age of the fetus and should be made in combination with the neonatologist (Lapinsky, 2017; Swartz & Graham, 2020).

In the same line, Chen, et al., revealed that, all deliveries easily handled, the **Apgar scores** were ten points one and five minutes post-delivery, no problems were detected in the newborns. Pregnancy and perinatal consequences of women with coronavirus should obtain further care. It is likely that pregnant women identified with coronavirus have no fever pre-labor. The early indicators were merely low-grade postpartum fever or slight respiratory symptoms. Consequently, early diagnosis and avoid cross-infection on the occasion that patients have fever and other respiratory signs (Chen, et al., 2020). **Postnatal Care** of the mother infected with coronavirus should include continual appraisal for respiratory status and regular postnatal care. The woman who is improving from an acute ailment and/or is separated from the baby may be at threat for evolving anxiety, postpartum depression and other mental health problems. Psychological support and counseling should be given to infected women. Additionally, the couple should use family planning method as per their knowledgeable select (Della Gatta, et., 2020).

At time of current study, there is no evidence that coronavirus is deposited in human milk. It is supportive that in 6 Chinese women tested, human milk was negative for coronavirus; though, given the minor women number, this confirmation should be inferred with restraint. The adjacent contact with the mother is the chief jeopardy for infants of **breastfeeding**, who is also probable to share infective airborne droplets (Abdelmaksoud, et al., 2020). United Nations Population Fund reassures breast feeding as human milk is the greatest source of nutrition and immunity for the infant. Safeguards should be taken during breastfeeding to restrict extent infection to the baby, mother should do hands washing pre and post carry the baby and wear mask. It has recommended that if the mother is critically ill, separation seems to be the best choice, with express human milk to uphold milk production. Safeguards should be taken when washing the breast pumps. If the woman is asymptomatic or slightly affected, breastfeeding and rooming-in can be deliberated by the women in organization with healthcare providers, or may be essential if talent restrictions avert mother-baby separation (Podovei, et al., 2020; Rasmussen, et al., 2020).

On controversy, if the woman is established to be infected with the coronavirus, there is no evidence for **vertical transmission** (via blood of the placenta) to the newborn. Conversely, it may be transferred through **breastfeeding**; therefore it is counseled to separate the mother from the newborn up to she improves (Zou, et al., 2020). The magnitude of virus transmission from the mother to the newborn was appraised through gathering the amniotic fluid, blood of umbilical cord, plus human milk samples, in addition to captivating a swab from the newborn throat at the birth time (Chen, et al., 2020). Findings were negative for the virus for all samples. Parallel transmission via direct communication or interface with droplets and respiratory discharges could also arise in mothers throughout gestation and/or delivery (Jin, et al., 2020). Coronavirus infection

can be the mother- fetus transferred, however the outcomes can't be completely widespread up to studies are conducted on a larger sample size, therefore that preliminary findings are established or deprived of (Peikai, et al., 2020).

Fortunately, the surgery consequences evaluation also displayed alike consequences in both definite and supposed women. Neither respiratory failure nor distresses were established in the women with definite coronavirus infection and their neonates. Nobody of these women identified with severe obstetric impediments related to anaesthesia and surgeries. Coronavirus infection wasn't informed in the newborn to the coronavirus infected mothers. It is significant to recognize that the absolute benefits of antenatal corticosteroids differ on a week-by-week basis as gestational age advances and the baseline risks of neonatal morbidity decrease. In deliveries of less than thirty four gestational weeks, the total risk lessening of neonatal RDS accompanied with prenatal corticosteroids is 128 less patients for each 1000, from a starting point danger of 310 for each 1000 (Roberts, et al., 2017). In compare, Foggin, et al., assessed that the total danger lessening of **neonatal ventilation** of more than six hours accompanied with prenatal corticosteroids in those born at thirty four gestational weeks is twenty four less patients for each 1000, from a United State residents baseline danger of sixty four for each 1000, and at thirty six gestational weeks, it is seven less patients for each 1000, from a baseline risk of seventeen for each 1000 (Foggin, et al.; 2020, Liauw, et al., 2020).

Liu, H., et al. (2020) studied 15 pregnant women diagnosed with coronavirus; 11 of them had successful delivery (ten CS and one normal labor), and four women were still pregnant (3 in the 2nd trimester and 1 in the 3rd trimester) at the end of the study period. All newborns had no asphyxia, death, stillbirth, or **abortion**. The greatest beginning symptoms of coronavirus pneumonia in pregnant women were fever (13/15 women) and cough (9/15 women). No signs of pneumonia exacerbation post-labor. The four women who were still pregnant at the end of the study period were not treated with antiviral drugs but had attained good recovery (Liu, et al., 2020). In hospitalized mothers infected with coronavirus infections, more than ninety percent of whom also had pneumonia; **preterm birth** is the most common adverse pregnancy outcome. Coronavirus infection was accompanying with higher rate of preterm birth, **preeclampsia**, **CS**, and perinatal **death**. There have been no published cases of clinical evidence of vertical transmission. Evidence is gathering quickly, so this information may require to be updated. The results from this research can escort and improve prenatal counseling of women with coronavirus infection arising during gestation, even though they should be understood with attention in interpretation of the tiny number of included patients (Di Mascio, et al., 2020).

Among nine pregnant women with severe coronavirus ailment, at the time of writing seven of nine died, one of nine rests critically sick and ventilator reliant, and one of nine improved afterward extended hospitalization. The **maternal mortality** or maternal morbidity appraisals will eventually be the same, fewer, or more than that of other individuals is up till now unidentified. Nevertheless, the serious ailing informed propose that it is not zero and should encourage attention

in contradiction of satisfaction and escort limitation in rustle evaluations of family member or attributable jeopardy with gestation (Hantoushzadeh, et al., 2020).

Because coronavirus ailment 2019 might upsurge the jeopardy for pregnancy problems, management should be in a health care competence with adjacent maternal and fetal specialist care. Managing principles of coronavirus ailment 2019 in gestation comprise early isolation, forceful infection control processes, oxygen therapy, avoidance of fluid overload, consideration of empiric antibiotics, laboratory testing for the virus and co-infection, fetal and uterine contraction monitoring, early mechanical ventilation for progressive respiratory failure, individualized delivery planning, and a team-based approach with multispecialty consultations. Working on developing strong systems against infectious diseases should be one of the top priorities of any country. Some countries embraced pliability in its fight against coronavirus and proved its competence to handle with the outbreak crisis. Although succeeding in varying the course of the outbreak, healthcare experts cautioned about possible epidemic repetition and stressed the need for attention as the pandemic is still continuing and most of the infected cases are presenting with only mild symptoms (Rasmussen, et al., 2020).

4.0 CONCLUSIONS

The COVID-19 virus is a new strain of corona virus, diminutive is recognized currently about its effect on the maternal and fetal outcomes. Extra clinical and research information are anticipated for better appreciative of any morbid effect of this new straining and its health threats on both the mother and neonates. There are no documents to notify whether pregnancy upsurges vulnerability to coronavirus. Preceding information on SARS and MERS recommended that outcomes throughout gestation can variety from asymptomatic to severe ailment and death. Fever and cough are the supreme symptoms of coronavirus, with more than eighty percent of hospitalized women donating with these symptoms. As regards to inadequate information and the accessible documents from other respiratory pathogens such as SARS, MERS and influenza, it is indefinite whether pregnant women with coronavirus will involvement extra severe ailment

5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- Currently updated references obtainable on the obstetric management of coronavirus infection in pregnant women.
- Pregnant women should be considered for inclusion in the clinical trial.
- Extra clinical and research are needed for better understanding of any morbid effect of this new strain and its health hazards on both the mother and neonates.

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