Ovarian Metastasis of a Lymphoma

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Dear Editor,

I read with great interest the recent report on ovarian metastasis of a lymphoma by De Gregorio et al. [1]. The authors concluded that 'Literature research shows that elevated CA125 levels are often found in lymphomas [1].' Indeed, lymphoma is an important differential diagnosis for pelvic masses with elevated CA125 levels [2]. In laboratory medicine,

CA125 is not an ideal cancer biomarker. Increased levels of CA125 can also be detected in ovarian non-malignant tumors as well as other cancers not located in the pelvic area [3]. In the latter, the cancers might coexist with the pelvic mass. These conditions have to be kept in mind by the practitioner faced with a case of pelvic mass with increased CA125 levels.

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