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15-year-old detected with ovarian tumour mostly seen in elderly

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MUMBAI: A 15-year-old girl, admitted to the Fortis Hospital in Mulund with an increasing girth of her stomach, was diagnosed with ovarian cancer. While the girl did not seem to have any serious complaints of pain or discomfort, her increasing belly size raised suspicions.

A CT scan performed later revealed that she had a massive ovarian mass measuring 21/20 cm on the right side. The girl was immediately taken in for a surgery where the tumor was successfully removed. The initial report shows tera toma, which refers to tumor found in young people. "It's very rare to find in this age," said oncosurgeon **Dr Anil Heroor**, who treated the girl.

"The tumor must have been growing since the past two years. But it only got detected now. This kind of tumor usually does not show any symptom. They had first approached a local physician, who suggested ultra sonography. The tumour was first detected there," said Heroor. He said the tumor weighed around 2.5kilos.

In a month's time, Heroor claimed he has seen three such patients with similar condition.

"All these patients were detected with cancer when the biopsy was carried out. This girl was lucky as the tumour got detected at an early stage and was removed on time," he said.

Ovarian cancer is commonly detected at post-menopausal age-group of 50 and above.

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