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# To study the expression of epidermal growth factor in gall bladder carcinoma: An institutional study

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**Introduction:** Few studies have been performed to evaluate the EGFR expression in gallbladder carcinoma and its relationship with the grade of tumor. Based on these facts the aim of our study was to assess the EGFR overexpression in correlation to the grade of tumor.

Material and Methods: Seventy-five cases of histopathologically proven gall bladder cancer were included in the study. EGFR staining was done and score was calculated.

**Results:** It was observed that out of 75 cases of gall bladder malignancy, 63 (84%) cases were EGFR positive and 12 (16%) were EGFR negative. There was a statistically significant difference between the histological grade of EGFR positive and EGFR negative adenocarcinomas with significantly higher number of patients of EGFR overexpression presenting with poorly differentiated adenocarcinomas.

#### **Conclusion:**

- 1. EGFR overexpression has inverse relati.onship with grade of the tumor.
- 2. Intensity of EGFR expression may thus correlate with aggressiveness of disease and there is a possible scope of using this for targeted therapy in carcinoma gall bladder.

**Keywords:** gallbladder, carcinoma, tumor, EGFR, histopathology, malignancy

### **Biography:**

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