Foreword

PSOG No.4: Precision Surgery in Obstetrics and Gynecology: Surgical and Expectant Approaches for Placenta Accreta Spectrum Disorders

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It is a great pleasure to publish the fourth issue of *Precision Surgery in Obstetrics and Gynecology (PSOG)*, a supplement to *The Surgery Journal*. The fourth issue of PSOG focuses on “Surgical and Expectant Approaches for placenta accreta spectrum disorders.”

We previously published a Japanese book series (24 volumes), entitled *Obstetric and Gynecologic Surgery Now (OGS Now)* with the Japanese medical publisher, Medical View, Inc. In PSOG, we are selecting representative operations from OGS Now series and demonstrating the updated operative techniques.

As the frequency of cesarean sections increases, many complications increase during subsequent pregnancies, and obstetricians experience a difficult time dealing with them.

The most difficult complication among them is placenta accreta spectrum disorders. Since this disease causes massive bleeding during labor, what kind of treatment should be selected, how to reduce bleeding, and what kind of approach should be taken during surgery are important issues. This time, we covered many themes such as expectant management, stepwise treatment, bleeding reduction methods such as intra-arterial balloon, and ingenuity during Cesarean hysterectomy. All of them are written by experienced doctors, so I am confident that this PSOG project will provide useful information to many obstetricians.

Finally, I would like to express my sincere thanks to Medical View for allowing us to use the illustrations and photos used in the OGS Now series.

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