Study on bacterial vaginosis among pregnant women attending Government health care Institutions in the city of Colombo

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This study aimed to examine prevalence of BV, develop a simple screening method for diagnosing BV, determine some risk factors of BV and evaluate its association with low birth weight and preterm delivery. Identification of history of vaginal discharge during some stage of present pregnancy as a risk factor for BV provides a justification for through investigation and proper management of pregnant women who complain of vaginal discharge. The identified risk factors can be used for comparison purposes in future studies. The findings of the present study justifies investigations on BV in pregnancy.