



ASCUS PAP SMEAR

An Ascus Pap Smear is the most common type of abnormal Pap Smear result. This result indicated mild cellular cervical changes with an unknown cause. It is considered mildly abnormal. There is no immediate cervical cancer risk in an Ascus Pap Smear result.

CAUSES

Common causes of Ascus Pap Smears are minor infection and cervical inflammation. Infection and inflammation can cause cervical cells to appear abnormal, but eventually return to a normal appearance.

For some women, an Ascus result is due to changes in the cervical cells caused by HPV infection. In most cases, these cervical changes do not progress to cervical cancer, but require further monitoring and possible treatment to prevent cervical cancer.