

Case Report

Unusual Presentation of Metastatic Retroperitoneal Lymphadenopathy in Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma

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Abstract.

Nasopharyngeal carcinoma has a propensity to develop distant metastases with poor prognosis. Metastatic sites usually involves bones, lungs, liver and distant lymph nodes. Management of metastatic disease is essentially palliative and based on chemotherapy. We report a case of a 53-year-old man who had history of old cerebral vascular attack, hypertension and gastric ulcer suffered from nasopharyngeal carcinoma. Bilateral multiple lymphadenopathies from level II to V and right supraclavicular fossa were noted. Bone scan showed bony uptake of radioactivity at the left shoulder joint, thoracic vertebra and left posterior 11th rib. The abdominal examination revealed an intra-abdominal mass around the pancreatic head with external compression to the liver. Aspiration puncture under abdominal computed tomography was performed and pathology revealed undifferentiated carcinoma. The final staging was cT2bN3M1 as stage IVC. The patient was treated with 4 courses of palliative chemotherapy with fluorouracil and cisplatin monthly. He was still alive at 6 months after distant metastases were diagnosed.

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