



# A CASE OF ONCOLOGICAL EMERGENCY

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31 year old male with history of ATT intake

Presented with history of bilateral visual loss \* 2 days

Was referred from Aravindh eye hospital as

? Ethambutol induced optic neuritis

# HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS

Patient has been having **generalized itching and lymphadenopathy** for past 6 months

One month back he was empirically started on anti tubercular therapy in a nearby PHC

After 20 days of ATT intake , he was referred to department of Thoracic medicine GRH Madurai as there was no improvement in symptoms

In thoracic medicine ATT was stopped as TB was not proven and they suggested FNAC of lymphnode on OP basis

7 days after stopping ATT patient developed bilateral visual loss and he consulted Aravindh eye hospital from where patient was referred to GRH as ?  
Ethambutol induced optic neuritis

No associated pain in the eye

No history of cough with expectoration , chest pain,  
breathlessness

No history suggesting any other cranial nerve involvement

No history suggesting weakness or sensory impairment of  
upperlimb or lowerlimb

History of low grade fever on and off for past 6 months

# PAST HISTORY

No history of hypertension , diabetes mellitus ,  
coronary artery disease

No history of pulmonary tuberculosis

No history of similar illness in the past

# PERSONAL HISTORY

Normal bowel and bladder habits

Smoker and alcoholic

# ON EXAMINATION

## GENERAL EXAMINATION

Pallor +

Generalized lymphadenopathy +

(cervical, axillary, inguinal)

Scratch marks +

## VITALS

BP - 120/ 80 mmHg

PR - 80 per min , regular normal volume and character



# SYSTEM EXAMINATION

CUS s1 s2 +, no murmur

Respiratory system - b/l air entry +, NUBS+

P/A soft , no hepatosplenomegaly

Central nervous system

HMF - normal

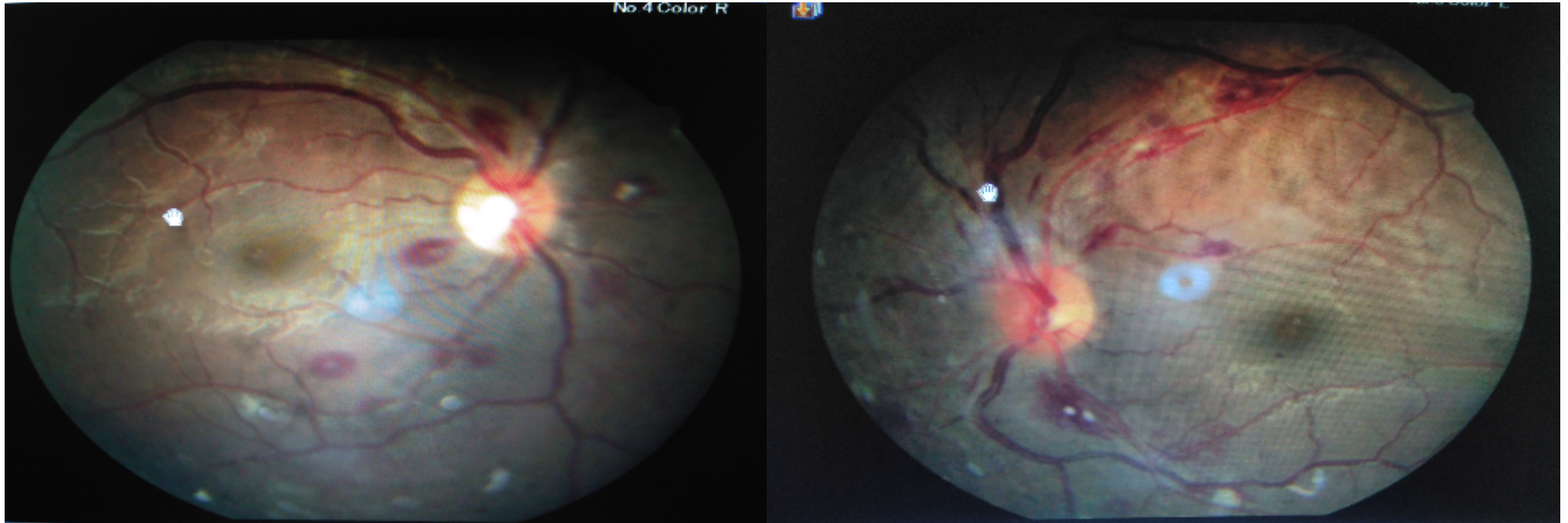
Cranial nerves - optic nerve

Visual acuity - b/l absent light perception

Direct and consensual light reflex absent

Fundus examination - Roth spots , flame  
haemorrhages

# FUNDUS



other cranial nerves }  
Motor system, sensory }  
Cordination

NORMAL

# PROVISIONAL DIAGNOSIS

Retrobulbar neuritis - ? Ethambutol induced

Generalized lymphadenopathy

? Tuberculosis ? Lymphoma

# INVESTIGATIONS

## COMPLETE BLOOD COUNT

Hb - 6.7

Total count 15000 - 38 % eosnophils, 26 % neutrophils,  
37 % lymphocytes

PCU - 20 %

Platelet count - 2.4 lakhs

ESR- 140 mmHg

Pereheral smear - Hypochromic microcytic anaemia with severe Eosnophilia

RBS - 130

Urea - 42 mg/dl

Creatinine - 1.1 mg/dl

LFT - S.Bil-0.6 (.4/.2) OT/PT 38/42

Albumin/Globulin - 3.5/2.5

UDRL AND HIU NON REACTIVE

BONE MARROW EXAMINATION

Hypochromic microcytic anaemia with severe eosinophilia

No blast cells , No atypical cells

CHEST X RAY - normal

ECG - normal

ULTRASOUND ABDOMEN - mild hepatosplenomegaly  
with mesenteric and para aortic lymphadenopathy

Rule out lymphoproliferative disorder

Suggested excision biopsy of node



# MRI BRAIN

There is evidence of thickening edema and intra neural bright signal involving both optic nerves - Retrobulbar neuritis ? Toxic

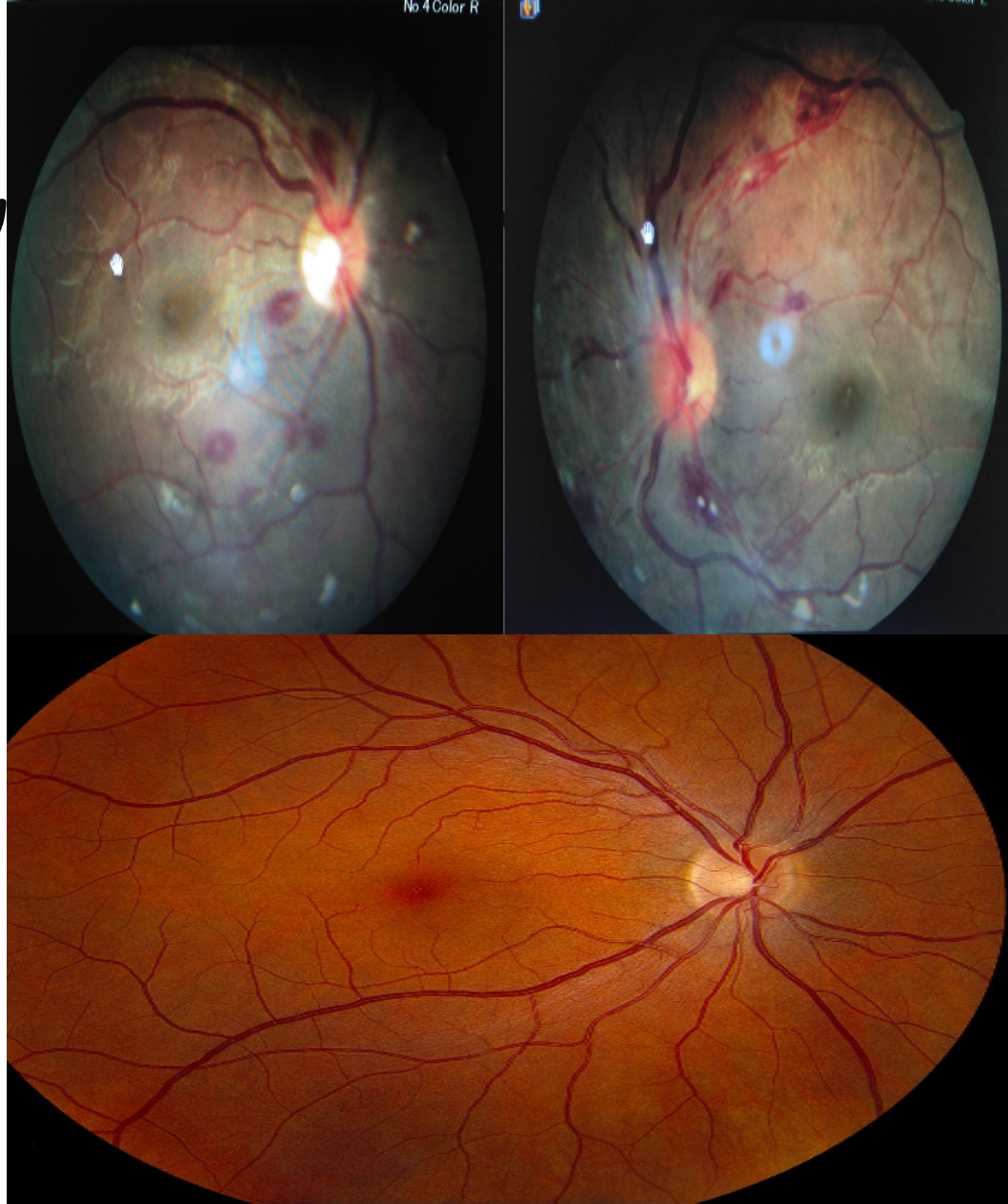
No obvious demonstrable infarct ,  
haemorrhage , SOL in Brain

# OPHTHALMOLOGY

Roth spots , Flame  
haemorrhages

Plan - Fundus fluorescent  
Angiography

To obtain fitness for FFA



On day 3 of admission - patient developed weakness of both lowerlimbs, difficulty in rolling over, weakness of left hand

Difficulty in breathing, dry cough

H/o tripping of toes and heaviness of both lowerlimbs

H/o difficulty in holding objects in left hand

He was able to use his right upperlimb as before

H/o numbness upto upper chest

Band like sensation in upper chest

Urinary hesitancy

No history suggesting other cranial nerve involvement

O/E

Tachypnoeic

Respiratory rate - 28/min

SpO<sub>2</sub> - 98%

Single breath count - 15

# CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM EXAMINATION

Higher mental functions - normal

Cranial nerves - normal except optic nerve

## MOTOR SYSTEM EXAMINATION

TONE OF MUSCLES		
Bulk of muscle - normal in all 4 limbs	RIGHT	LEFT
UPPER LIMB	NORMAL	NORMAL
LOWER LIMB	INCREASED	INCREASED

# POWER OF MUSCLES

		RIGHT	LEFT
UPPER LIMB	SHOULDER	5/5	5/5
	ELBOW	5/5	5/5
	WRIST	5/5	4/5
	HAND GRIP	NORMAL	WEAK
LOWER LIMB		2/5	2/5

# DEEP TENDON REFLEXES

		RIGHT	LEFT
UPPERLIMB	BICEPS JERK	NORMAL	NORMAL
	TRICEPS JERK	NORMAL	NORMAL
	SUPINATOR JERK	NORMAL	NORMAL
	FINGER FLEXION	NORMAL	NORMAL
LOWERLIMB	KNEE JERK	BRISK	BRISK
	ANKLE JERK	BRISK	BRISK

# SUPERFICIAL REFLEXES

CONJUNCTIVAL	NORMAL	NORMAL
CORNEAL	NORMAL	NORMAL
ABDOMINAL	ABSENT	ABSENT
CREMASTERIC	ABSENT	ABSENT
PLANTAR	EXTENSOR	EXTENSOR

## SENSORY SYSTEM

All modalities of sensations are lost upto nipple

Sensory loss over medial aspect of hand and forearm

Spinal vibration lost upto C7

## CEREBELLAR EXAMINATION

Upperlimb coordination normal

No nystagmus

No neck stiffness ,No spinal tenderness



ACUTE SPASTIC QUADRIPARESIS WITH BILATERAL RETROBULBAR NEURITIS

MOTOR LEVEL - ABOVE C6      SENSORY LEVEL - BELOW C8

REFLEX LEVEL - BELOW T6      VERTEBRAL LEVEL - C5

? NEUROMYELITIS OPTICA SPECTRUM DISORDER ? SECONDARY DEMYELINATION

GENERALISED LYMPHADENOPATHY WITH EOSINOPHILIA

TO RULE OUT LYMPHOPROLIFERATIVE DISORDER

# NEUROLOGIST OPINION OBTAINED

LONGITUDINALLY EXTENDING TRANSVERSE MYELITIS WITH OPTIC NEURITIS

NEUROMYELITIS OPTICA SPECTRUM DISORDER

?SECONDARY DEMYELINATION DUE TO LYMPHOMA

*Advised*

Inj. Methyl Prednisolone 1gm in 500 ml NS over 3 hours for 5 days

Inj. Ceftriaxone 1gm IV BD

To Do

MRI SPINE WITH BRAIN SCREENING

Lymphnode biopsy/ FNAC

ANA

LUMBAR PUNCTURE AFTER 5 DAYS

# LYMPHNODE BIOPSY DONE

Impression

1. Tissue eosinophilia
2. Lymphoproliferative disorder - probably Hodgkins lymphoma

Typical Reedsternberg cells could not be demonstrated.

Suggested immunohistochemistry

# IMMUNOHISTOCHEMISTRY

CLINICAL DETAILS : Generalised Lymphadenopathy with muscle weakness.

SITE : Cervical Lymph node.

MORPHOLOGY:

Sections from lymph node show effacement of architecture with few surviving follicles. Nodes show involvement with Classical Hodgkin lymphoma with mononuclear RS Cells.

# IHC MARKERS : RESULT

- CD 45 - Negative in RS cells
- CD 3 - Stains background lymphocytes
- CD 20 - Negative in RS cells
- CD 15 - Negative
- CD 30 - Positive in RS cells

## IMPRESSION:

Classical Hodgkin Lymphoma

Regd. Dt:	29/12/2017	Acc. ID:	241757754	Client Details:	Vijaya Diagnostics
Coll Dt. Tm:	29/12/2017 11:17:21				85A, North Gate, S.S. Colony, Opp. Dewaki Scan.
Recd Dt. Tm:	29/12/2017 11:17:21			Refd. By:	GRN
Age:	31 Yrs	Sex:	Male	Report Dt. Tm:	01/01/2018 15:45:07
Name:	Mr. YOGARAJ				

### IHC Final Diagnosis Panel

*Immunohistochemistry*

LAB. NO. : OLLB H 3792 / 17

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#### SPECIMEN DETAILS :

Received two paraffin blocks No : 7932 / 17 A, B from G K Biopsy Centre Madurai for IHC.

IHC performed on formalin fixed paraffin embedded block number A.

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#### IMPRESSION:

Classical Hodgkin Lymphoma - Lymph node. Site ?

## CSF ANALYSIS -

cell count - 2 lymphocytes

protein - 15mg/dl

sugar- 45mg/dl

ANA AND ANA PROFILE NEGATIVE

# MRI SPINE WITH BRAIN SCREENING

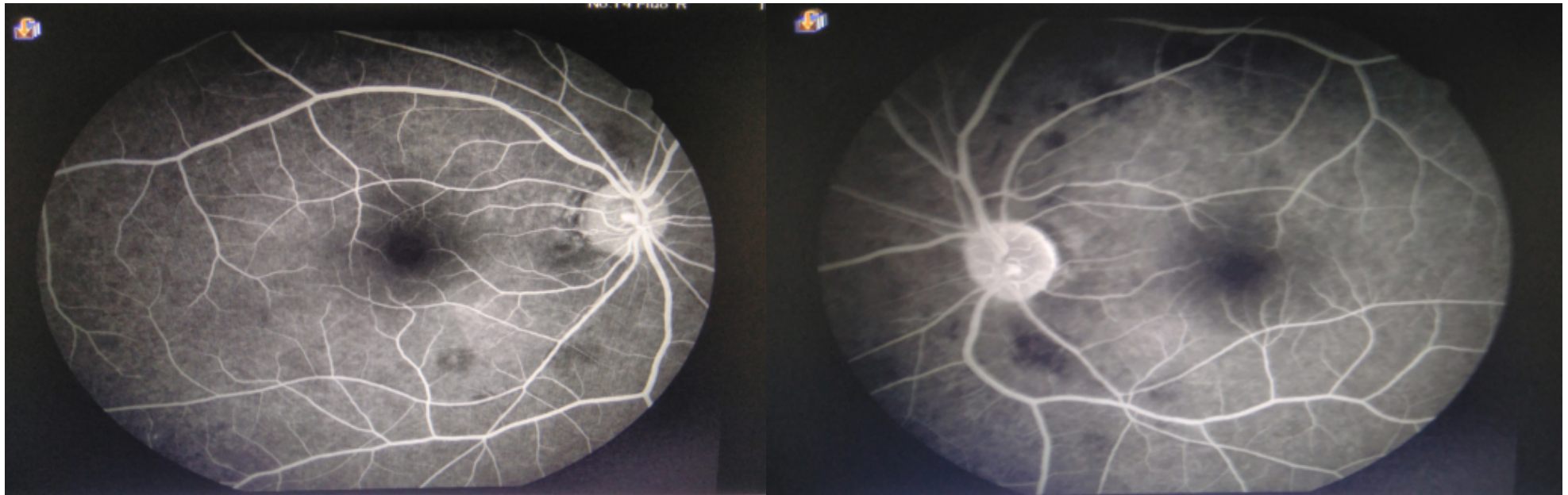
T2 hyperintense lesion noted from C 4 to T 7 level -

s/o ? Demyelination

MRA and MRU NORMAL



# FUNDUS FLUORESCENT ANGIOGRAPHY





# ECHOCARDIOGRAM

Normal chambers

Normal valves

No regional wall motion abnormality

No LV systolic dysfunction

No LV clot

LV EF 55%



HODGKINS LYMPHOMA

ACUTE SPASTIC QUADRIPARESIS

BILATERAL RETROBULBAR NEURITIS

SECONDARY NEUROMYELITIS OPTICA SPECTRUM  
DISORDER

PARANEOPLASTIC DEMYELINATION

# TREATMENT GIVEN

Back rest

Nasal oxygen (sos)

Inj . Methyl prednisolone 1g in 500 ml NS over 3 hours

Inj. Ceftriaxone 1 g iv BD

Inj. Ranitidine 50 mg IV BD

# ONCOLOGY REVIEW DONE

Patient was transferred to medical oncology

Started on ABUD regimen



Patient regained vision

Is able to walk with out support

On oncology treatment and follow  
up



THANK YOU