Head and Neck Mass (Non-thyroid)

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General Data

Y.B.
4-year-old
Female
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Chief Complaint

"Neck Mass"



History of Present Illness

7 months PTC → patient's mother noted a

2cm x 2cm mass at the
lateral aspect of the
neck, left.
with no other associated
signs and symptoms



Past Medical History

 Born to a 23-year-old G3P2 via NSD at Health Center with no fetomaternal complications.



Past Medical History

- Immunization: (+) BCG, DPT x 3, OPV x 3, MMR, Hepa B x 3
- no previous surgeries, no known allergies, no bronchial asthma
- March 2005: Primary Koch's infection; completed 5 months anti Koch's therapy



Family History

- (+) Hypertension Grandmother
- (+) DM Grandmother



Review of System

Unremarkable



General Survey: conscious, coherent, not in distress

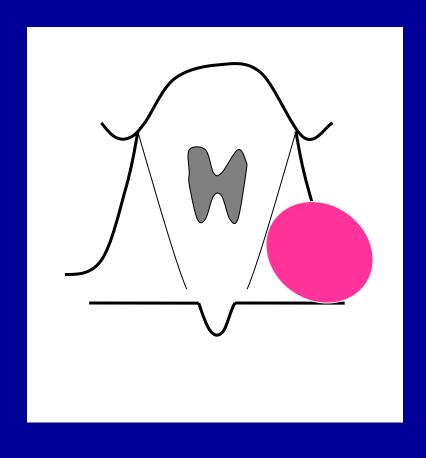
Vital Signs:

CR: 110 bpm RR: 22 cpm

T: 37.4°C



HEENT:



- > Supple neck
- no tonsillopharyngeal congestion
- ➤ no oral mass/lesion noted
- >no cervicolympadenopathies
- ➤6 x 8 cm mass noted at the supraclavicular area, posterior to the sternoclaedomastoid, non hard, movable, bluish discoloration



Chest and Lungs: symmetrical chest expansion, no retractions, no lagging, clear and equal breath sounds

Cardiac: normal rate, regular rhythm, no murmur



Extremities: Grossly normal, full and equal pulses

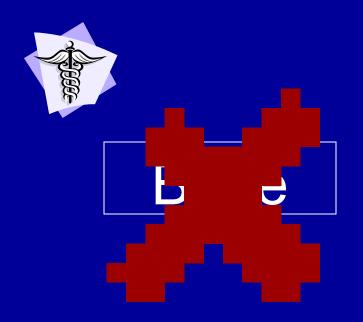


Salient Features

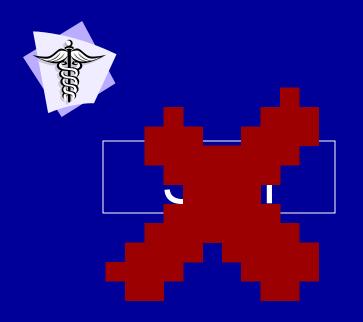
- 4-year-old
- Female
- Neck mass
 - Lateral
 - Non-hard
 - Movable
 - Bluish discoloration



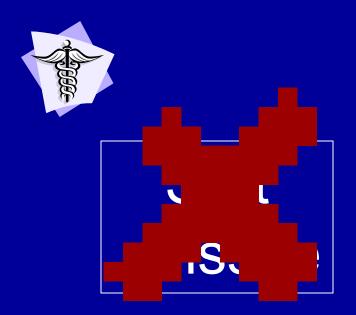
LATERAL NECK MASS Skin Soft Bone Vascular Tissue /Lymph



Mass is non hard and movable



Not fixed to overlying skin



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Vascular



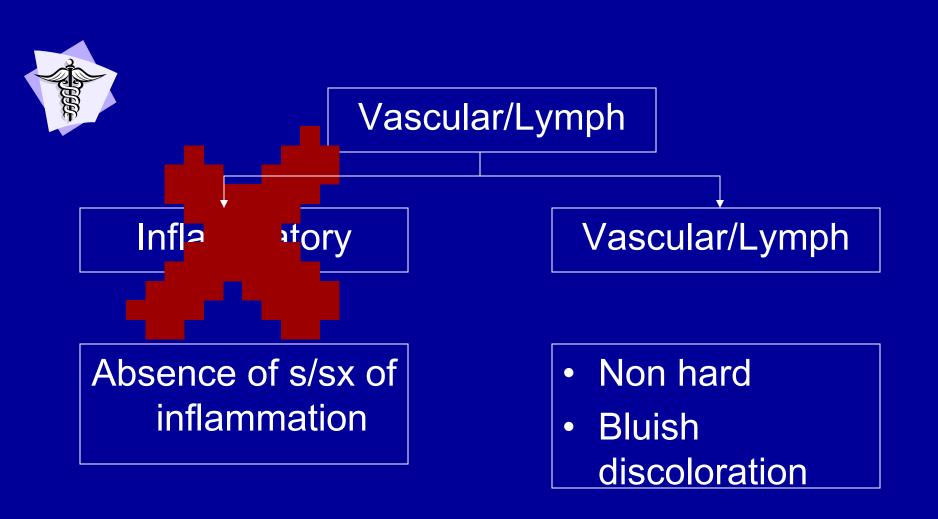
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Lymph



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 Vascular and lymph malformation



Clinical Diagnosis

	Diagnosis	Degree of Certainty	Treatment
Primary	Lymphangioma	60	Medical Surgical
Secondary	Hemangioma	40	Observation



Paraclinical Diagnostic Procedure

 Do I need to perform a paraclinical diagnostic procedure?

"YES"

- Goals:
 - To increase the certainty of primary clinical diagnosis.
 - To aid in treatment plan



Paraclinical Diagnostic Procedure

	Benefit	Risk	Cost	Availability
Ultrasound	Cystic vs solid	minimal	Php 400	available
CT scan	Sensitive enough to determine extent of disease	Radiation	Php 3,000	available
MRI	Highest degree of sensitivity	minimal	Php 10,000	Not available



Paraclinical Diagnostic Procedure

CT Scan

 cystic mass with multiple septations, lateral aspect neck, posterior to the sternocleidomastoid, with no intrathoracic extension



Pre-treatment Diagnosis

	Diagnosis	Degree of Certainty	Treatment
Primary	Lymphagioma	90%	Surgical Medical
Secondary	Hemangioma	10%	Observation



Goals of Treatment

- Resolution of the mass
- Prevent complication



Treatment Options

Medical	Benefit	Risk	Cost	Availability
Sclerotherapy	Low success rate	Injury to adjacent structures	(++)	Not Available
Radiotherapy	Low success rate	Lymph- angiosarcoma	(++)	Not available
Aspiration	High recurrence rate	Infection	(+)	Available



Treatment Options

Surgical	Benefit	Risk	Cost	Availability
Excision	MR: 3% RR: 6-35%	Anesthesia	(+)	available



Treatment Plan

Surgical:

Excision



- > Secure consent
- > Psychosocial support
- ➤ Optimize patient
- Prepare materials



- Patient supine under GA
- Asepsis and antisepsis
- Sterile drapes placed
- Oblique incision placed over the mass
- Superior and inferior skin flaps created
- Platysma cut and opened



- Incision done along the anterior border of the sternocleidomastoid muscle.
- Excision of the mass done using sharp and blunt dissection
- Intraoperative findings noted



- Intraoperative findings:
 - well defined capsule containing clear serous fluid. No extension nor invasion to other structures noted grossly.



- Correct sponge, needle and instrument count done
- Hemostasis
- Layer by layer closure
- DSD



Final Diagnosis

Cystic Hygroma, lateral aspect, neck, left



First POD → DAT

shifted to oral medications:

Paracetamol 250mg/5ml 5ml q4 for pain

Third POD → patient discharged



After Managing the Patient

- I HAVE DISCHARGED MY PATIENT:
 - IMPROVED
 - FREE OF COMPLICATIONS



Discharge Advise

- Daily wound care
- Ff up at Surgery OPD after 1 week
- Possibility of recurrence





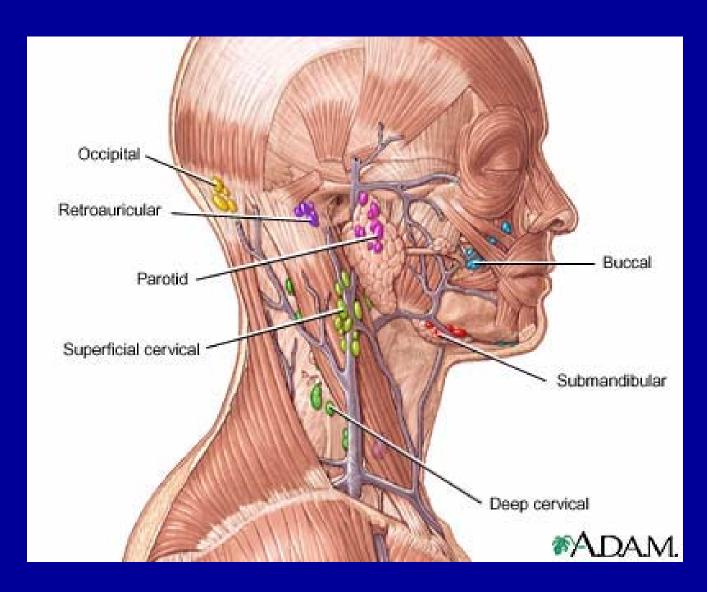
Cystic Hygromas

- multiloculated cystic structures
- Benign
- result of budding lymphatics



- may occur anywhere in the body
 - neck (75%)
 - axilla (20%)
- frequently abut and/or encompass neurovascular structures







- Surgical excision remains the therapy of choice
- usually is performed shortly after diagnosis



The different types

- 1. Lymphangioma circumscriptum
 - simplex superficial red macular or vesicular lesion of mucous membranes or skin.
- 2. Lymphangioma capillary
 - simplex lesion of dilated capillarylike channels



- 3. Lymphangioma cavernosa
 - simplex lesion of dilated lymphatic channels with deep extension and without cyst formation
- 4. Lymphangioma cystica (ie, cystic hygroma)
 - composed of large lymphatic cysts that expand into adjacent soft tissue planes and are well defined, circumscribed, or lobulated.



5. Lymphangioma complex

 composed of multiloculated poorly defined cysts extending to more than one anatomic area, tissue plane, or organ system.



Medical complications

- Airway obstruction
- Hemorrhage
- Infection
- Deformation of surrounding bony structures or teeth if left untreated



Complications of surgical excision:

- Damage to a neurovascular structure
- Chylous fistula
- Chylothorax
- Hemorrhage



Medical therapy:

- Alternate therapy
 - proposed as the primary treatment for lymphangiomas, particularly for sensitive areas (eg, the orbit) and, more commonly, for recurrent disease after surgical therapy.
- Radiation therapy
 - effective but abandoned because of later malignant transformation or retardation of growth sites
- Carbon dioxide laser therapy
 - has been effective in managing upper airway lesions.



- Intralesional sclerotherapy
 - group A Streptococcus pyogenes of human origin (OK-432)
 - triamcinolone, cyclophosphamide, bleomycin, fibrin glue, and alcohol for hygroma reduction;



Associated with the following congenital disorders:

- Turner syndrome
- Chromosomal aneuploidy
- Hydrops fetalis
- Down syndrome and other trisomy disorders
- Fetal alcohol syndrome
- Noonan syndrome
- Several other congenital syndromes



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