LYMPHOMA PRESENTING WITH LYMPHEDEMA WHICH IS PALPATED ON THE CHEST WALL: A CASE REPORT

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Abstract

Introduction/Aim:
Tumors originating from the lymphoid system are called lymphoma. Diffuse Large B-cell Lymphoma is the most common type of lymphoma. Lymphedema is a condition characterized by swelling and edema in the skin and subcutaneous tissue, which occurs in situations that negatively affect the lymphoid system flow. In this study, we aimed to present a diffuse large B-cell lymphoma that is presented with lymphadenoma starting from the bilateral lower extremities and advancing to the trunk.

Case report:
A 50-year-old male patient with a history of tuberculosis was presented with complaints of swelling and hardening of the skin progressively progressing from the lower extremity to the abdomen and thorax. Patient stated that his complaints started 3 months ago; lymphedema was found that palpable on the intercostals space of T5, wrapped around the body, causing marked stiffness and swelling in the scrotum and penis. On computed topographic imaging, conglomerate lymph nodes filling the right half of the pelvis were detected. True-cut biopsy performed and was found to be compatible with diffuse large B-cell lymphoma.

Conclusion:
Tumors involving the abdominal or thoracic space and obstructing the lymphatic system flow should be brought to mind in cases of lymphedema spreading from the lower extremity to the abdomen and trunk.

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