

# MUCORMYCOSIS IN POST-COVID PATIENT: A CASE REPORT AND REVIEW OF LITERATURE

## Case history:

A 62 year-old male patient complaining of pain and difficulty during eating due to ulceration in the palatal region of the upper jaw for 1 month.

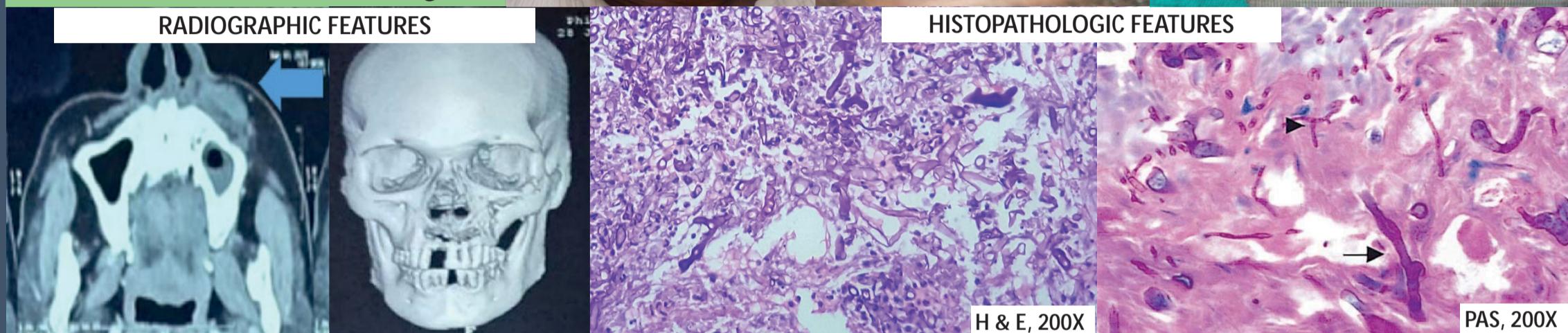
### Extra-oral examination:

- ❖ Diffuse swelling on left side of face
- ❖ Downward displacement of medial canthus
- ❖ Non-tender, soft on palpation.



### Intraoral examination:

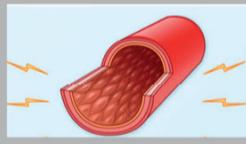
- ❖ An infiltrating ulcer (4 X 5 cm)
- ❖ Covered by necrotic slough
- ❖ Base of ulcer = hard, no bleeding



### SEQUAE OF EVENTS LEADING TO MUCORMYCOSIS POST COVID

#### COVID-19

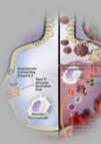
Direct thrombosis and endothelial damage



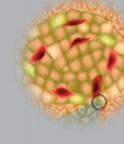
Haemolysis leading to increased ferritin levels



ACE2 mediated alveolar damage -lactic acidosis & hypoperfusion



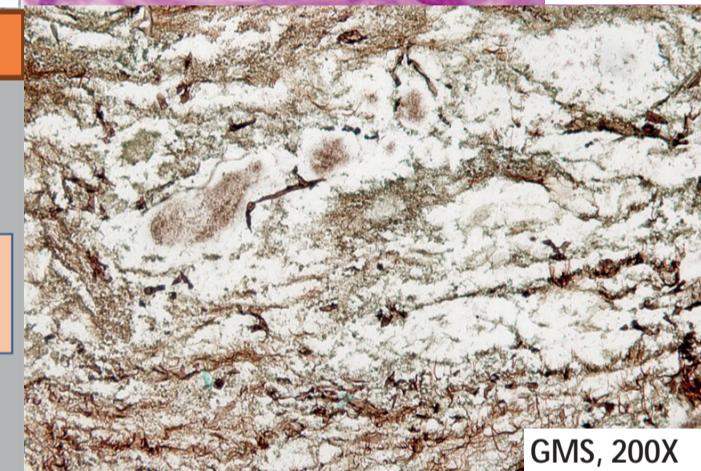
Damage to pancreatic beta cells & damage with inflammatory cytokines



- Endothelial damage- portal of entry for fungus
- Raised glucose levels-utilized by fungi
- Raised ferritin level-optimal for growth
- Raised body temperature- optimal for growth
- Reduced chemotactic and phagocytic activity

milieu

#### MUCORMYCOSIS



### DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS:

- MUCORMYCOSIS
- OSTEOMYELITIS
- ASPERGILLOSIS

### HALLMARKS OF MUCORMYCOSIS:

- ❖ ANGIOINVASION
- ❖ THROMBOSIS
- ❖ ISCHEMIA
- ❖ NECROSIS

TABLE DEPICTING THE REPORTED CASES IN INDIA THROUGH A SEARCH IN THE LITERATURE

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1.	Mehta et al	Mumbai (1)	60/M	Paranasal sinus	13.	Patel et al	Multicentric(178)	-	Rhino-cerebro-orbital
2.	Garg et al	Chandigarh (1)	55/M	Pulmonary	14.	Singh et al	New Delhi (1)	48/M	Gastrointestinal
3.	Maini et al	Mumbai (1)	38/M	Sino-orbital	15.	Arjun et al	Kerala (10))	Mean=53	Rhino-cerebro-orbital
4.	Saldanha et al	Mangalore (1)	32/F	Paranasal sinus	16.	Saidha et al	Haryana (6)	29-56, M:4, F:2	Rhino-cerebro-orbital
5.	Revannavar et al	Mangalore (1)	Middle age/ F	Paranasal sinus	17.	Jain et al	Uttar Pradesh (1)	57/F	Gastrointestinal
6.	Sen et al	Mumbai (6)	46.2-73.9, M	Rhino-orbital	18.	Baskar et al	New Delhi (1)	28/M	Rhino-orbital
7.	Sarkar et al	Puducherry (10)	27-67, M: 8 F:2	Orbital	19.	Joshi et al	Mumbai (25)	Mean=55.2/ M:16, F:9	Rhino-orbital
8.	Mishra et al	Bangalore (10)	37-78, M: 9 F:1	Paranasal sinus	20.	Rao et al	Karnataka (1)	66/M	Rhino-orbital
9.	Satish et al	Bangalore (11)	30-74	Paranasal sinus	21.	Ravani et al	Gujarat (31)	Mean=56.3, M:20, F:11	Rhino-orbital
10.	Moorthy et al	Bangalore (17)	39-73, M: 15, F:2	Rhino-cerebro-orbital	22.	Nehara et al	Rajasthan (5)	52-70, M:1, F:4	Rhinocerebral
11.	Sharma et al	Jaipur (23)	NR/ M: 15 F: 8	Paranasal sinus	23.	Chauhan et al	Bhopal (1)	44/M	Rhino-orbital
12.	Sen et al	Multicentric (2826)	Mean=51.9/ M: 71%	Rhino-cerebro-orbital					

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