NON-HODGKIN'S LYMPHOMA – THE ELUSIVE MIMICKER

INTRODUCT

- Non-Hodgkin's lymphomas of the maxillofacial region - uncommon
- **MALES > FEMALES**
- Average Age 6th decade
- Common in HIV infected patients
- Common sites the tongue, gingiva, hard palate, maxilla, mandible, Waldeyer's ring,

HISTORY AND EXAMINATION

- 72-year-old chronic smoker & alcoholic male
- Completely edentulous x10 years
- Swelling in the right (R) middle-third of the face x 1 month.
- History of epistaxis 2-3 times/ month, difficulty in breathing, and epiphora from right eye.
- Solitary, sessile, well-defined, firm, 5x3 cm proliferative growth on R maxillary alveolar ridge

P/D-Malignant growth involving right maxillary alveolus



INVESTIGATIONS

FNAC - abundant collection of hyperchromatic polygonal cells

CE-MRI-Significantly enhancing hyperintense mass filling right maxillary sinus extending into masticator space, pterygopalatine fossa, nasal cavity, and ethmoidal sinus along with osteolytic changes.

PET scan -ill defined soft tissue density epicentered at R maxillary sinus, infiltrating adjacent soft tissue and spaces with multiple subcentimetric lymph nodes



Population of pleomorphic round cells in scattered discohesive foaming masses of tumor cells • LCA- strongly positive • CD20- strong diffuse

positive • CD99- focally positive

FINAL DIAGNOSIS- NON-HODGKIN'S BCELL **LYMPHOMA**



MANAGEMENT

Chemotherapy- 3 months: Inj Cyclophosphamide 1000mg **Inj Doxorubicine 70 mg Inj Rituximab 500mg Inj Vincristine 2mg Inj Dexamethasone 16 mg**) followed by tab prednisolone 100mg

- (68%)



DISCUSSION

 B Cell Lymphoma is the most common & most aggressive lymphoid malignancy

• Average Age 66 years

• Women:men - 2:1.

• 5-year survival rate -65% to 73%

• DEFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS - salivary

gland malignancy, squamous cell carcinoma maxillary sinus pathology, melanoma, sarcoidosis

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