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Orbital Hydatid Disease: A case study of young patients with primary orbital lesion.

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Background: This is a prospective study of three children presented to us in the Orbital clinic in AL Shahid Ghazi Al Hariri Hospital with painless proptosis with suspension of Hydatid disease.

Objectives: Orbital hydatid disease is a rare lesion accounting for less than 1% of the total lesions of the body^(1,2). Orbital cysts presented as a primary lesion in our study which is rare to have such lesion without involvement of other organs⁽³⁾. Humans represent the intermediate host where the commonly affected organ are liver and the lung (10-15%)⁽⁴⁾.

Methods: This is a prospective study of three Children presented to us in the Orbital clinic in Al Shahid Ghazi Alhariri Hospital with painless proptosis with suspension of Hydatid disease, depending on the cultural background and baseline investigation done elsewhere, during the period from Jan. 2012 to Jan. 2013.

Results: Three children presented to us with painless proptosis one of them involving the right eye while the other two involve the left eye. One of patients male aged only three years while the other two were females aged nine and thirteen years of age. After radiological investigations two of the Children found to have a cystic extraconal lesion in superolateral angle of the orbit while the other one his lesions found in the superomedial angle of the orbit. The first two surgically approached by lateral orbitotomy while the other one by medial orbitotomy trying to avoid rupture of the cysts. After histopathological investigation of the lesions the diagnosis was confirmed as Hydatid cyst.

conclusions: Hydatid cyst of the Orbit is uncommon disease account for less than 1% of the total orbital lesions of the body. Hydatid disease of the orbit more common on the left side.

The most common sites involved in the Orbit are the superolateral and superomedial angle. Hydatid disease of the orbit can present as a primary lesion without evidence of involvement of other part of the body. Hydatid disease of the orbit can present below 7 years of age.

Hydatid cyst of the orbit can be removed intact with meticulous dissection.

Introduction:

Orbital hydatid disease is a rare lesion accounting for less than 1% of the total lesions of the body^(1,2). Orbital cysts presented as a primary lesion which is rare to have such lesion without involvement of other organs⁽³⁾. Usually Orbital lesion appears together with another lesion elsewhere in the body⁽³⁾. The incidence of orbital hydatid lesion in patients with cystic orbital lesion about 25.8%⁽⁴⁾. In this paper we report three children with a solitary intraorbital lesion without evidence of the presence of the lesion elsewhere in the body, one of the cases was a child aged three years old.

Methods:

This is a prospective study of three Children presented to us in the Orbital clinic in Al Shahid Ghazi Alhariri Hospital with painless proptosis with suspension of hydatid disease depending on the cultural background and baseline investigation done elsewhere during the period from Jan. 2012 to Jan. 2013, all of the cases were evaluated by thorough clinical history and examination in addition to the ophthalmologist checkup, then they sent to laboratory and radiological investigation involving the orbit itself and other parts of the body to exclude presence of lesions. After the diagnosis has been settled we proceed to surgical treatment to excise the cyst using an approaches which allow us to have a wide exposure and meticulous dissection to avoid rupture of



Fig 1. A.C.T scan of a 13 years old female with orbital hydatid cyst located at the superomed. Angle. B.The Cyst approached by medial orbitotomy. C.The Cyst excised intact .



Fig.2. A. C.T scan of 3years old boy Axial and saggital view show cystic lesion at the superiolateral angle of the orbit. B. The Cyst excised intact .

Discussion:

Introrbital Hydatid cyst is a rare disease among other organs which represent about <1% of the total cases of the body Hydatid, Coony RM et.al. report the incidence of orbital hydatid in highly endemic areas 25.8% of all cystic orbital lesions^(1, 2, 5, 6, 10). In our study two of the cases, the cyst found in the superolateral angle of the orbit while the other one in the superomedial angle and this is the most common sites the Hydatid cyst situated in the orbital cavity⁽³⁾. Two of the cases involve left eye, Talib, in his report, stated that the left side commonly affected due to that the common carotid artery arise directly from the summit of the aortic arch⁽¹¹⁾. Orbital Hydatid caused by parasitic infection (Echinococcus Granulosus -metacestode stag)⁽⁷⁾. Humans represent the intermediate host where the commonly affected organ are liver and the lung (10-15%)^(4,7). Orbital cysts presented as a primary lesion in our study which is rare to have such lesion without involvement of other organs⁽³⁾. Orbital Hydatid rarely occur below 7 years of age^(3,4). In our study we report a case of Orbital Hydatid aged only three years old while the other two cases aged nine and thirteen years. All of the three cysts removed intact in our patients while in other study it is uncommon to remove it without rupture where among 10 cases reported by Benazzou, only one cyst was removed intact without rupture⁽³⁾ while Murat et.al. they aspirate the content of the cyst and irrigate the cavity with hypertonic saline after which a collapsed cyst removed totally^(7,8,9).

Conclusions:

Hydatid cyst of the Orbit is uncommon disease account for less than 1% of the total orbital lesions of the body. Hydatid disease of the orbit more common on the left side.

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Hydatid disease of the orbit can present below 7 years of age.

Hydatid cyst of the orbit can be removed intact with meticulous dissection.

Recommendations

In cystic lesions of the Orbit, Hydatid cyst should be taken in consideration especially if situated in the superiolateral or superiomedial angle of the orbit.

In cystic lesion of the Orbit, Hydatid cyst stills a possibility even in the absence of primary disease..

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