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PATIENT WITH PERSISTANT HEADACHE WITH NORMAL MRI WITH EMPTY SELLA, NORMAL CSF ANALYSIS - CASE OF IDIOPATHIC CRANIAL HYPERTENSION

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(ABSTRACT) PATIENT WITH COMPLAINTS OF PERSISTANT HEADCAHE FOR 8 MONTHS WITH NO SIGNIFICANT HISTORY HAD NORMAL INVESTIGATIONS. PATIENT HAD MRI DONE WHICH WAS NORMAL WITH EMPTY SELLA. CSF ANALYSIS WAS NORMAL WITH RAISED OPENING PRESSURE - A RARE CASE OF IDIOPATHIC CRANIAL HYPERTENSION.

KEYWORDS:

HISTORY-

- A 32 year old female presented with complaints of Headache for 8 months
- Insidious onset, involving the occipital region, severe intensity, with no specific aggrevating factors, relieves on taking medications, but never completely absent.
- No history of associated nausea/ vomiting
- no history of loss of consciousness/ seizures.
- no history of tinnitus/ hard of hearing.
- no history of blurring of vision or diplopia.
- No history of fever/neck pain.
- No history of altered sensorium.
- No history of any oral contraceptive pills use.
- H/o recent weight gain present over last 1 year.

PAST HISTORY...

 Not a known case of Tuberculosis, Diabetes Mellitus, Hypertension, Bronchial asthma or seizure disorder.

PERSONAL HISTORY..

 Regular menstrual cycles. 1/30 days, oligomenorrhoea present for last 1 year.

EXAMINATION-

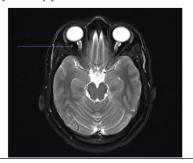
- · Conscious, oriented.
- Afebrile.
- Bp-110/70 mmHg
- Pulse 74/min
- BMI-28.45 kg/sq.cm
- No pallor, icterus, cyanosis, clubbing, lymphadenopathy or odema
- CVS-S1S2+
- RS-Normal Vesicular breath sounds +
- P/A-Soft
- CNS-HMF: normal

Cranial nerves-normal

Motor, sensory and cerebellum systems: normal Fundus was normal.

- CBC: normal
- RFT, LFT, Serum electrolytes: Normal
- ESR: 24 mm/hr
- Serum 8 A.M.Cortisol: 10.81µg/dl
- Serum Prolactin: 18.59 ng/ml

In view of intractable headache, MRI brain was done, which revealed Normal study with empty sella





- In view of MRI Brain findings, IIH was suspected.
 - Neurology opinion was obtained . CSF manometry and analysis was done.
- CSF opening pressure was 34cm H2O.
- CSF cell count and biochemistry were normal.

CONCLUSION-

Thus the patient presented with Persisting headache with Normal examination and Normal blood routine had MRI brain s/o partial empty sella. Neurological testing revealed - CSF manometry - 34 cm H2O opening pressure with normal analysis which a rare case of idiopathic cranial hypertension.