Background and Aims Hydatidosis, caused by Echinococcus granulosus, is an endemic parasitic disease. The most frequent anatomical sites are liver and lung. Dogs and other canines are the primary definitive hosts for this parasite. Hydatid cyst may develop after accidental ingestion of tapeworm eggs, excreted with the feces of these animals. Diagnosis is usually based on radiological and serological findings.

Patient We present a 6-Year-Old-Boy with abdominal pain since months ago. He had history of travelling to village and exposure to cattle and dog. Physical examination of head and neck, chest, extremities, and neurologic exam were normal. In abdominal Physical examination he had mild right upper quadrant tenderness without rebound tenderness. Liver was palpable 3 cm below costal margin. Abdominoal sonography and CT scan showed multiple huge cysts in liver that occupied almost all the liver space. Serum hydatid cyst antibody was positive. With diagnosis of hydatosis, the patient was referred to hepatology specialist.

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Conclusion Hydatid cyst should be considered in every patient with liver cystic lesion in endemic area.

FATAL HUMAN BOCAVIRUS INFECTION IN A BOY WITH IPEX-LIKE SYNDROME AND VACCINE-ACQUIRED ROTAVIRUS ENTERITIS AWAITING STEM CELL TRANSPLANTATION

We report about a 21-month-old boy presenting with chronic diarrhea and obstructive lung disease since infancy. His older brother, the first male child of non-consangine Egyptian parents, had died at the age of 20 months suffering from BCGitis and severe CMV infection, suggesting a severe primary immunodeficiency syndrome.

We found immunological dysregulation, endocrine dysfunction and enteropathy compatible with IPEX syndrome, therefore the child was listed for stem cell transplantation (SCT). FOXP3 gene showed no IPEX associated mutations, but sequencing IL2RG we found an mutation in exon 2 associated with x-linked IPEX-like SCID (c.252C>A, p.N84K).

The pulmonary condition of the boy deteriorated and he was admitted on the ICU, where he was mechanically ventilated ever since. After common respiratory infections were excluded, chronic human bocavirus (hBoV) was identified by multiplex-PCR as the primary causative pulmonary agent causing his respiratory failure. HBoV was found in decreasing quantity in respiratory material, blood and stool specimen.

Interestingly, chonic rotavirus shedding was notified in repetitive stool specimen. As the boy had been vaccinated against rotavirus, vaccine-acquired chronic infection was suspected and confirmed by typing of a vaccine virus specific gene variant.

The boy died before SCT could be preformed.

Since its discovery, there is an ongoing discussion if hBoV can cause serious infections or represents only a harmless “bystander”. This case report shows that hBoV can result in lethal respiratory infections in immunocompromised children.

SECONDARY PSEUDOHYPOALDOSTERONISM DUE TO PYELONEPHRITIS: TWO CASES REPORT

Secondary pseudohypaldosteronism occurs due to transient resistance in renal tubules causing renal sodium loss, hyponatremia and hyperkalemia. This may resemble congenital adrenal hyperplasia. This is to be considered specially when a urinary tract infection is present as treatment and prognosis varies.

We report two infants who developed pseudohypaldosteronism secondary to acute tract urinary infection and urologic malformations.

Patient 1 27 days old infant, weight: 4056 gr. He suffers severe dehydration, hyponatremia 119 mmol/L, K 7 mmol/L and metabolic acydosis, normal serum creatinine and normal 17 OH progesterone. Pathological urine analysis and high levels of serum rennin and aldosterone. Urine culture: E. Coli. We can also appreciate left Ultrasoundography hydrenephrosis IV/V and primary meaurerate. He was treated with Ampiciline + gentamicine and ions stabilisation within the following 36 hours after hospital admission.

Patient 2 14 days old infant, 2510 gr. Admitted at emergencies with a severe dehydration. Hyponatremia and hyperpotasemia that needed urgent treatment and severe metabolic acydosis. Electrolytic disorders were amended, then a urine culture was done with positive results in E. Coli test. He was treated with ampicicline + gentamicine. The renal scan evinced a bilateral ureteral hydrenephrosis. The infant showed a recovery thanks to antibiotics treatment.

Conclusions An endocrinological evaluation is necessary to a diagnosis but we mustn’t forget the urinary anomalies. Most possible cause is the immature renal responsiveness to aldosterone in three first months of life when exist urinary tract anomalies and/or urinary tract infection.

This secondary pseudohypaldosteronism is reversible with early treatment.

THE DIAGNOSTIC VALUE OF NEUROIMAGING IN RECOGNIZING AND THERAPY MONITORING OF ENCEPHALITIS AND MENINGITIS IN CHILDREN

Although the clinical course may be severe and prolonged, the prognosis is uniformly good with complete recovery.