

中文題目：原發性肋膜淋巴癌病例報告

英文題目：A case report: Primary pleural lymphoma

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Abstract

Up to one-third of the non-Hodgkin's lymphomas belong to extranodal lymphomas. The most common sites of the primary extranodal lymphoma are the gastrointestinal tract, and skin. Primary pleural lymphoma is extremely rare. It accounts for about 0.3% of all non Hodgkin Lymphomas. Besides, it is often associated with HIV infection and chronic pyothorax. We present one case of a 50-year-old man who was diagnosed as the primary pleural lymphoma with the massive right pleural effusion. The patient didn't have the HIV infection and chronic pyothorax history. The repeated pleural cytology was equivocal. A bone marrow biopsy was morphologically normal. The Positron emission tomography (PET) was no abnormal lesion. The thoracoscopic pleural biopsy was done and the histopathological and immunohistochemical examinations conformed the diagnosis of an aggressive B-cell lymphoma. Therefore, we should be aware of the possibility of the lymphoma even though normal PET image and no obvious lymph node lesions. This case also illustrates the importance of the tissue proof for unexplained pleural effusion.