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"I CAN'T RECALL EVER FALLING"
SUBTLE PRESENTATION OF
CHRONIC SUBDURAL HEMATOMA
IN GERIATRIC PATIENT

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INTRODUCTION

In geriatric population, intracranial hemorrhage may not present in typical manner. We present a case in which a patient could not recall any history of trauma but ended up having such pathology following investigation.

CASE DESCRIPTION

A 67 years old active gentleman complaints was complaining of intermittent mild headache for a month. He denied any recent history of trauma. Nevertheless, the wife noticed that recently he had intermittent history of short-term lapsed of memory. Apart from that, He had no nausea, can walk normally and had no other problems. He was brought to our centre by his son who was also a physician at our centre. Upon arrival, his pupils were equal and reactive and he had a full GCS and no other remarkable examination finding. Nevertheless, it was noted intermittently he had short term amnesia. Her vitals were normal and he was afebrile. Decision was made to proceed with CT SCAN. CT SCAN showed large chronic subdural hematoma over left parietal area measuring 5X3 cm over 4 layers causing midline shift and obliterating left ventricle. Contusion was also noted over left cerebellum. Neurosurgical team was referred and patient subsequently underwent clot evacuation. Post surgical procedure, patient recalled that he had a fall about

4 weeks earlier during while jogging for which he denied any loss of consciousness. He also had history of going on long flights post fall about 2 weeks earlier. Patient had full recovery following the procedure. Patient likely had chronic subdural hematoma post-trauma complicated by history of flying.

LESSONS LEARNT AND CONCLUSION

This case illustrates the subtlety of chronic subdural hematoma in an elderly patient. Amnesia is a feature and in this case patient completely could not recall history of fall. Flying post intracranial bleeding provides decompression environment and increase risk of rebleeding. Apply high index of suspicion in such case and lower threshold for CT SCAN procedure so as not to miss such patients.

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WORMS IN MY URINE! :
SHISTOSOMIASIS

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INTRODUCTION

Schistosomiasis is rare in Malaysia. It is of risk for patients who had history of having fresh water contact in the jungle. We present a case of which a middle-aged lady who presented with history of passing worm in the urine.

CASE REPORT

43 years old lady who was previously well presented to our centre with chief complaint of passing 'worms' in her urine. Apart from that she was well had no associated symptoms. She denied any recent history of traveling, jungle trekking or eating raw meat. Her vital signs were normal and no fever