PP019 THE CASE OF BAFFLING BLUE MAN.

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INTRODUCTION

Acute cyanosis is a common presentation in critically ill patients who are breathless. Most of the time cyanotic patients improve with oxygen therapy. We would like to share an unusual case of acute cyanosis which would expand our differential diagnosis beyond usual.

CASE PRESENTATION

This was the case of a 27 years old man who presented to emergency department HTJS semi-conscious and cyanotic after inhaling dusty white material coming from a gunny sack at his workplace, a recycling factory. He was not breathless and lungs findings were normal. It was an interesting diagnostic dilemma which baffled the inexperienced first liners especially when his saturation did not improve with oxygen therapy. Despite the diagnostic delay, patient was well managed and safely discharged after few days.

DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

Cyanosis and the pathophysiology of various causes will be discussed. Management of the above case was simple. However, there are also various other treatment options based on case reports and animal studies.