



10/11/24 Morning Report with @CPSolvers



“One life, so many dreams” Case Presenter: Vijay (@) Case Discussants: Rabih (@rabihmgeha) and Prof Reza (@DxRxEdu)

CC: 46yo f w/ fever for 20 days. (Happening in India)

HPI: 46 yo f presents with high grade fever associated w/ sob and dry cough both worsening over the past 20 days. No hx of chest pain and ROS is otherwise normal.

PMH: CKD stage 3, chronic tubulointerstitial nephritis w/ crescents on biopsy, ANA and ANCA negatif treated with steroids 4 years ago

Meds: Telmisartan for HTN

Fam Hx: Unremarkable

Soc Hx:

Health-Related Behaviors:

No alcohol, tobacco, drugs

Allergies: Denied

Vitals: T: 99F HR: 70 BP: 170/110 RR: 20 O2 98

Exam:

Gen:

HEENT: CV: Pulm: Abd: unremarkable

Notable Labs & Imaging:

Hematology:

WBC: 12 Hgb: 8.6 (bsl 11.5 in June 2024) MCV 88 Plt: 580k Neutrophil 78

Chemistry:

Na: 128 K: 4.8 Cl: HCO3: BUN: 48

Cr: 4.8 (bsl 2.8 gradually rising trend) HCO3: 18

Ca: 8.6 VitD: 54

AST: ALT: Alk-P: Albumin: normal
Urine: 1+ protein, 3-4 WBC, no RBC
24h protein: 258 mg

Imaging:

CT: consolidation right upper middle lobe, bronchiectasis, diffuse ground glass opacities.

Repeat UA: 60 RBC

BAL: diffuse alveolar hemorrhage
C and P Anca neg

Kidney Biopsy: FSGS

ANCA: PR3 positive (56)

Repeat BAL: infectious workup negative

Dx: GPA associated vasculitis

Problem Representation:

46 yo F w/ CKD3(chronic TIN w/ crescents on biopsy, neg ANCA and ANA) presents w/ 20 days of fever, SOB, Dry cough. BP 170/110, labs significant for n.n anemia, thrombocytosis, rising cr at 4.8, proteinuria +1. CT shows diffuse GGO, RUL consolidation, BAL suggestive of DAH

Teaching Points(Julia)::

long standing SOB w/ acute reduction of exertional capacity:

- a non-inflammatory process is unlikely to suddenly progress to an inflammatory → consider 2 separate processes
- Most common causes of reduction in exercise capacity
 - pulmonary: COPD, ILD
 - cardiac CAD; structural heart disease (AS)
- Chronic diseases that tend to flare up: pulmonary > cardiac

Tempo of the disease

Be careful with tempo estimation (subclinical chronic vs. acute)

Fever + SOB : inflammatory thoracic schema (heart, lung, mediastinum)

Occurrence not simultaneously: think broader

Crescents on biopsy → **Intrarenal AKI:**

Diagnosis = > prevention of progression !!

I) **Glomerulus:** a) *immune complex* (complement !! low-> SLE, normal: IgA, b) ANCA (pauci immune) c) anti-GBM

II) **Tubulus** (1) ATN (2) pigments, crystals, proteins)

III) **interstitium** (medication(PPI), infection(pyelonephritis, Tb)

Autoimmune: Lupus, sarkoidosis, IgG4-disease)

IV) **Vessels**

Exam neg SOB w/ acute on chronic disease progress: subtle interstitial lung diseases, mediastinum >> anemia, CAD

Nephrogenic pulmonary edema + anemia => SOB (explanation sufficient?), systemic fingerprint - anemia + thrombocytosis → Iron studies, serum paraprotein analysis

CKD hints: I) small kidney II) anemia (low EPO)) 2nd Hyperpara

DAH: diagnosis by multiple lavages w/ serious bloody return vs. focal source of bleeding procedure result in dilution of blood w/ normal saline (blood moves w/gravity in the lung) differentials: Bleeding from medication, HF, infections, cancer, vasculitis

A <> B <> C ? Kidney disease -> increased vulnerable vs autoimmune disease -> kidney disease

Putting things together:

Pauci immune only 70% are ANCA pos + bronchiectasis e.g. Microscopic polyangiitis, GPA

DDx: Lupus IgA and cryoglobulinemia -> no thrombocytosis

Anti GBM: DAH, glomerulonephritis but generally no bronchiectasis, thrombocytosis

Repeat UA, repeat Serology, where to biopsy ? - tissue is the issue !!