



# 11/15/24 Morning Report with @CPSolvers

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



**CC:** 69 YO M presenting w/ **right lower back and buttock pain**

**HPI:** started **7 weeks ago** after receiving **enema** for diverticulitis. Worsened over past 7 days **limiting mobility**. Describes **pain 7/10, sharp in right lower back and radiating to the front to anterolateral region**. Numbness in right lower quadrant and thigh. Pain worsening in bowel movement and straining. Relieved by bending forward. **Unwanted weight loss of 35 pounds** (patient thought related to diverticulitis). Mild constipation related to pain meds.

*No pain, fever, chills, rash, kidney stones, or urinary issues.*

**PMH:**

Shingles  
Diverticulitis  
HTN  
DYS  
CAD  
RCA  
OSA (on CPAP)  
GERD  
OA  
BPH  
Bilateral knee replacement

**Meds:**

Metoprolol  
Ketorolac

**Fam Hx:**

**Family hx of gout**

**Soc Hx:**

Able to perform all ADL,  
ABLE TO PERFORM  
MODERATE ACTIVITY  
EXERCISE

**Health-Related**

**Behaviors:**

Tobacco use  
Drinks 6 beers a month

**Allergies:** NKA

**Vitals:** T: nl HR: nl BP: nl RR: nl

**Exam:**

**Gen:** **laying flat on back, alert and oriented**

**HEENT:** nl

**CV:** reg rate rhythm normal S1/S2

**Pulm:** Chest clear to auscultation bilaterally

**Abd:** Soft, tenderness in right lower quadrant

**Neuro:** Strength 5/5. Decreased sensation over right anterior lower thigh region. 5/5 strength. Negative straight leg test.

**Extremities/skin:** Pain upon palpation in lower back. D2/2 pedal pulses. No rashes in back region. No swelling in extremities.

**Notable Labs & Imaging:**

**Hematology:**

WBC: nl (WBC 10.1) Hgb: Plt:

**Chemistry:**

Na: nl K: nl Cl: nl HCO3: nl BUN: nl Cr: nl glucose: nl Mag: nl

AST: nl ALT: nl Alk-P: nl Albumin: nl

CMP: nl, LFTs: nl, Ca 9.7, UA: nl, Procal: 0.07

B12: nl, vit D: nl, PSA: nl, ESR: 20 (nl), LDH: 153 (nl), **CRP: 10.1 (mildly HIGH)**. SPEP (w/ immunofixation): nl, UPEP (w/ immunofixation): nl, Kappa/lambda: nl, Vit D 125: LOW, quantiferon: negative, Histo: negative, HIV: negative, ACE: nl

**Imaging:**

MR: **multiple enhancing osseous lesions concerning for mets (myeloma or lymphoma).**

**Largest seen at T12. Stenosis at L2 and L3. NEUROFORAMINAL NARROWING AT L3 AND L4.**

CT CAP: Multifocal lytic lesions in thoracic spine. Few scattered CALCIFIED granulomas, no suspicious pulmonary nodules or lymphadenopathy. **Osseous lesions in thoracic spine and mild prostatomegaly.**

MR: Compression fracture of T12, scattered enhancing lesions in thoracic spine.

Nuclear imaging: two areas of increased uptake in second rip, increased uptake in bilateral ilia. Increased uptake in T12.

Biopsy: IR-guided bone biopsy of T12 —> mets showing high grade prostatic adenocarcinoma  
**Dx: Prostate adenocarcinoma w/ mets**

**Problem Representation:** 69 YO M presents w/ right lower back and buttock pain. No concerning lab features. Mild prostatomegaly on abdominal CT and T12 fracture on spine MR. Diagnosed w/ prostatic adeno on bone biopsy.

**Teaching Points (Zakariyya)**

- Back Pain** - not always in the lower spine & not always MSK. Can be retroperitoneal or neurologic in nature
- Red Flags:** 1) *Isolated back pain* : Location; Post-trauma; Duration 2) *Back Pain + syndrome:* Inflammation; Neurologic deficits; Cancer; Immunodeficiency
- Neurologic exam** is vital in back pain
- Back Pain Imaging:** MRI for cord (with gadolinium please); CT for the bones
- Back Pain Labs:** ESR, CRP, ALP are useful.
- Baston’s plexus:** Road between the Genitourinary system and the back
- Myeloma: BARC!** Bone Pain; Anemia; Hypercalcemia and then Renal Failure
- Bone Lesions Workup:** 5 P’s: PSA; ALP; Paraproteins; PTH; RPR