

Abstract

Systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) is a chronic autoimmune condition with multi-organ involvement. Its cardiac manifestations include pericarditis, myocarditis, Libman Sacks endocarditis and effects on coronary arteries. Pericarditis is the commonest cardiac manifestation of SLE. Myocarditis, although rare, is one of the leading causes of mortality in SLE. We present a rare case of myopericarditis as the initial manifestation of SLE that eventually helped to diagnose SLE in a young woman from Northern Sri Lanka.