

Abstract

Kikuchi's disease is a self limiting disease in young female commonly occurs in South East Asia. Fever with cervical lymphadenopathy is the commonest presentation. Excision biopsy with immunohistochemical studies make the diagnosis. This is a case of 23 year-old lady presented with fever for 3 weeks and bilateral cervical lymphadenopathy. Her fever settled after excision biopsy, histological features were suggestive of kikuchi's disease but presence of anti nuclear antibody made a possible diagnosis associated systemic lupus erythematosus. She had a relapse of fever without evidence for bacterial infection or common viral infections in 2 months. She was followed in medical clinic during next 12 months including her pregnancy and early post partum period which did not reveal any complications.

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