

Abstract

POEMS syndrome is a rare paraneoplastic multisystem disorder associated with underlying plasma cell dyscrasia. The name denotes its five characteristic components of Polyneuropathy, Organomegaly, Endocrinopathy, Monoclonal gammopathy and Skin changes. Its other features are osteosclerotic bone lesions, weight loss, fatigue, oedema, ascites, pleural effusion, and clubbing. Here we report a 43 years old gentleman, who presented with differential ascites with peripheral neuropathy, weight loss, generalised lymphadenopathy and clubbing diagnosed with POEMS syndrome. This case record is written to emphasise the importance of considering POEMS in differential ascites.