

Abstract

A previously well patient presented initially with unilateral parotid swelling for 3 months duration. She complained of recent onset gritty sensation of the eyes as well for the same duration. Sialogram showed that there was no evidence of obstruction within the gland. The ultra sound scan of the parotid glands showed evidence of small cystic lesions in the left side parotid gland. A lip biopsy was performed and that revealed lymphocytic infiltration of the small salivary glands. Schimerners test was performed and was supportive of poor tear breakage. She had elevated level of LDH and no other signs or symptoms suggestive of a lymphoma. Serologically she had Anti Ro, Anti la anti-body, ANA and Rheumatoid factor positivity. USS of the abdomen was performed which revealed a Para aortic lymph node enlargement which proved to be Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma after the biopsy. This highlighted the fact that risk of lymphoma needed to be considered in patients presenting with Sjogrens syndrome and to explore the possibility of repeated evaluation of patients with Sjogrens syndrome.