

Abstract

Pheochromocytoma is a rare neuroendocrine tumour that produces catecholamines and other neuropeptides, originating in the adrenal gland medulla. The majority of cases are sporadic, but could be associated with genetic syndromes. It usually presents as a classical triad of symptoms which includes headache, sweating and tachycardia. However there are other presentations of pheochromocytoma namely hypertension, hyperthermia and cardiomyopathy. Here we describe a case report of a 37 year old female with a history of recent onset diabetes mellitus and hypertension have presented to an ophthalmologist for blurred vision and headache. On slit lamp examination she was found to have bilateral optic disc oedema and macular star. She was referred for evaluation by a medical team and which lead to a diagnosis of pheochromocytoma.