

Abstract

Introduction

Melioidosis is a serious and life threatening systemic infection when left untreated . We report a case of a patient presenting with chronic joint infection, splenic abscesses and cerebral venous sinus thrombosis. He was initially treated as *Pseudomonas* infection. Blood culture became positive for *Burkholderia pseudomallei*. His clinical status improved following long term antibiotic therapy.

Conclusion

Melioidosis can be easily mistaken for *Pseudomonas* infection. This can affect the optimal management and results in significant morbidity. It is important to specifically look for the organism when clinically indicated.