

Diagnostic Dilemma

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Ground Rules

1. Any idea is a good one
2. We are all smart and have something to learn from each other

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PCP Visit

4 y/o healthy male, well-appearing, interactive, playful

- **normal** vital signs, no fevers
- **bruising** under L eye after wrestling cousins this past weekend
- **blood** around his lips this morning
- PCP notes **ecchymoses** to palate, posterior pharynx, and uvula. Marked hepatosplenomegaly present



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ED: Initial work-up?

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Initial Results

Labs

- WBC 10.8 ANC: 430 HGB: 9.2 Plt 26 Neutrophils 0.3
- CMP WNL alk phos low at 57
- Coags w/ elevated PT (21.6), PTT (38.8) and INR (2)
- Fibrinogen 38
- Uric acid and LDH WNL
- Peripheral blood smear without circulating blasts

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Chest x-ray



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Next steps in work-up?

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Flash quiz: What's wrong with this?



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Results come in:

Echo Results:

- large circumferential pericardial effusion echocardiographic evidence of tamponade physiology
- pericardial drain placed

Bone Marrow Results

- No blasts

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Days 2-4

- Re-accumulation of large pericardial fluid collection without tamponade
 - Drain optimized, 800 mL-1.2 L of output per day

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4 y/o previously healthy M with:

Pancytopenia

Coagulopathy

Pericardial effusion
with high output

Hepatosplenomegaly

Bone marrow without
blasts

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Differential diagnosis?

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Differential?

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What else do you want to order?

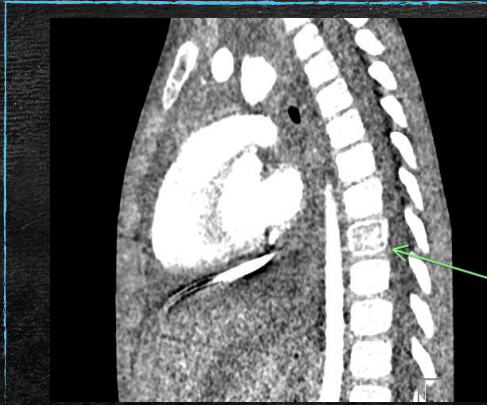
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Next steps in work-up

- Retic count
- Ferritin
- Inflammatory markers
- Pericardial studies including viral/fungal/bacterial etio
- Viral serologies
 - HIV, EBV, CMV, parvovirus
- Rheum
 - Haptoglobin, Coombs, ANA profile, C₃, antiphospholipid antibodies, CD₂₅
- Pan-CT

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CT:



T8 vertebrae diffusely osteopenic w/out discrete lesion or pathologic fracture. Infiltrative marrow process is possible



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- Lymph node biopsy: no obvious lymph node easily accessible for biopsy
- Has lots of pancytopenias... So the team decided to get a PET scan to try to find a high yeild target

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PET



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Next Steps

- Right femur bone marrow biopsy unrevealing
- Continued to have ~1L pericardial drain output per day

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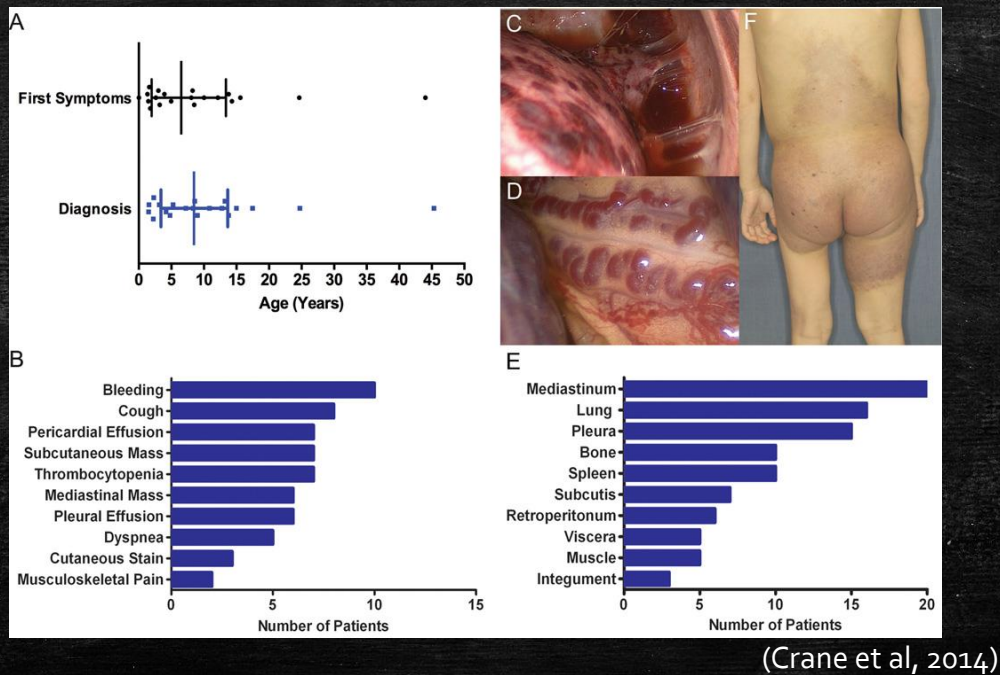
Differential?

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Kaposiform Lymphangiomatosis¹

- Newer subtype of generalized lymphatic anomaly
- "Kaposiform" hemosiderotic spindled lymphatic endothelial cells among abnormal and enlarged lymphatic channels
- Abnormal development of lymphatic system; does not appear to be genetic
- Usually presents with respiratory symptoms or hemorrhagic effusion

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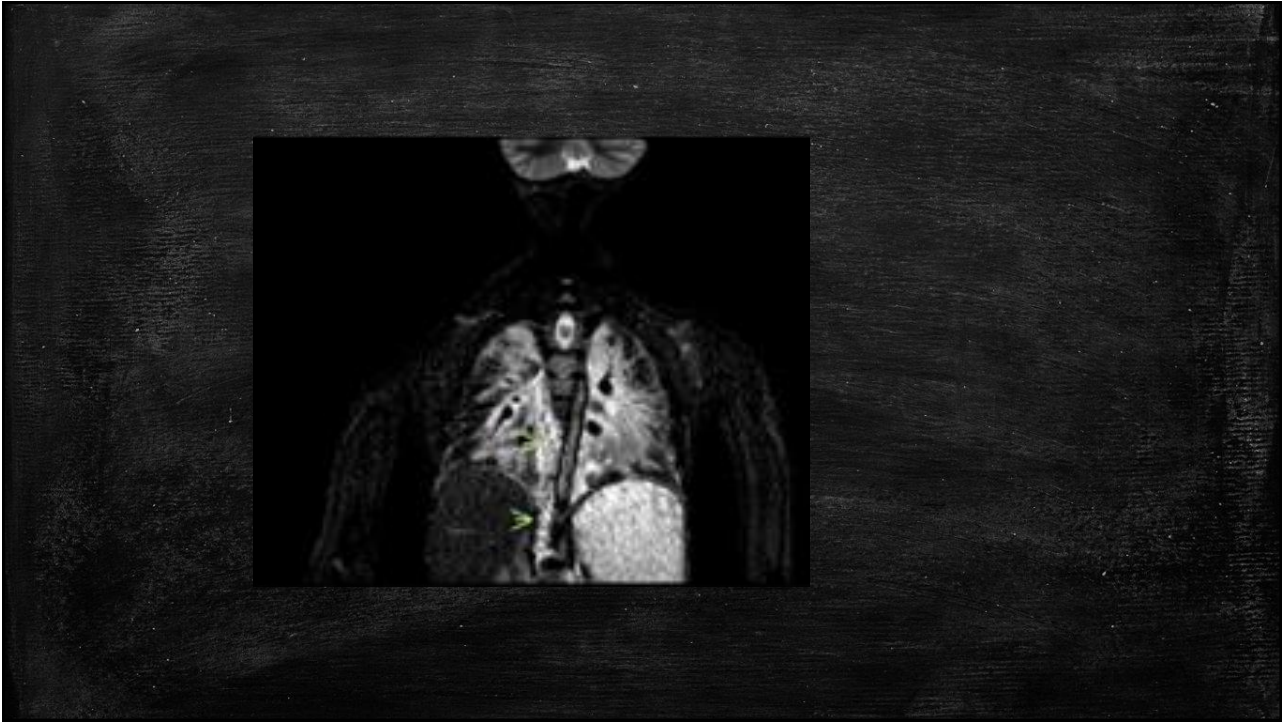


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Kaposiform Lymphangiomatosis

- Sirolimus (~50% partial response, 25% stable disease, 17% disease progression)²
- Transfusion requirements improved on KLA therapies
- Angiotensin 2- test elevated
- Whole body MRI: increased size of pericardial-mediastinal-lower neck lymphatic malformation and evidence of pulmonary lymphangiomatosis.
- Started on zoledronic acid³, anakinra

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Questions?

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