Imaging HIV – and the problem of TB Co-infection in Children

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Why HIV is important for me



- 2/3 of all HIV infections = sub-Saharan Africa
- 91% of newly HIV infected children = born in Africa
- ...the result is ...top 30 infant mortality rates = in Africa
- > 90% of children with TB live in developing world
- Incidence TB sub-Saharan Africa = 2X S-E Asia (350/100,000)
- Cape Town South Africa has the second highest rate of TB in the world (935/100,000)
- Of global 8, 6 million TB cases 13% are HIV +ve and of these 75% = in Africa (WHO 2013).



Co-infection with TB

HIV and imaging the Chest

CXR differential in HIV is wide

Infections

- Bacterial / TB / MAC
- Fungi / Pneumocystis
- Viral

Neoplastic

- •Lymhoma
- Kaposi

Other

- LIP
- IRIS
- Interstitial
- Bronchiectasis
- Aspiration
- Cardiac

Please choose:



Milliary TB

Pneumocystis

Kaposi

LIP



Strep

ΤB

Aspergilosis

Varicella

Kaposi







"Una Faccia Una Razza" (One Face, One Race)



Sav's three tricks in HIV:

CD 4 Trick: Fever + CD4 > 200 = bacteria or TB

Any CD 4	Bacteria TB
CD4 < 200 c/mm ³	Pneumocystis Cryptococcus
CD4 < 50 c/mm ³	Coccidiodomycosis CMV MAI Aspergillus

CXR lung parenchyma trick

Bacteria TB	Unilateral (bilateral) Focal(multifocal) Segmental(lobar)	
Pneumocystis CMV LIP Kaposi Cardiac failure	Diffuse bilateral	
Aspiration	Dependent	

CXR Exclusion trick

		NOT in
	Lymph- adenopathy	bacteria and aspiration
C	Effusion	PJP / LIP
	Cavities / cysts	lymphoma / Kaposi

However, clinicians usually want to know one thing: before starting HAARTreatment, can we 'exclude' TB?

TB / HIV co-infection

Progressive primary

Lymphnode TB





Diagnosis of TB in children = identify lymphadenopathy

Lymphadenopathy on AP: Hilum should be a hippo's open mouth Nodes = a cauliflower in the mouth





Right hilar lymphadenopathy



Left hilar lymphadenopathy

Calcified lymphadenopathy

Airways are a up-side-down tree Lymphadenopathy = 'compressed air-way branches'





Lateral radiograph



Lymphadenopathy on Lateral



- Normal structures (=horseshoe)
- Diverging vessels (=tentacles)
- Lymphadenopathy (='doughnut')



Lateral: doughnut replaces the horse-shoe and tentacles

What makes the doughnut?

Subcarinal and left hilar lymphadenopathy











And there is the doughnut.....



Midsagital: subcarinal nodes



Far para-sagital: Left hilar nodes

Doughnuts and other foods









No mass behind bronchus intermedius



When child is HIV-infected: You've gottobe Sherlock Holmes and uncover TB





Air space and airway



Air space, cavity and airway





Air space expansile and airway

Air space, effusion and airway

Milliary nodules

If you don't see the TB you may get IRIS



Before HAART



After initiation of HAART

Is POC US the answer for Africa?



Chest ultrasound in children: critical appraisal

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Abstract We analyze the potential use of ultrasound in the chest radiography in the evaluation of areas of increased study of the thorax in children. The physical limitations imposed on sonography by the ventilated lung and thoracic cage are well known. We want to discuss new US applications based on the clinical and methodological experience

opacification of the peripheral lung, pleural abnormalities and mediastinal widening and in the study of chest wall lesions [1].

One essential prerequisite for using US is the presence of

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Reading the critical appraisal of chest ultrasound in children by Tomà and Owens [1], one has to fully endorse the authors' word of caution against an uncritical replacement of the standard radiograph by an ultrasound scan. Indeed, recent data

experimental evidence first

Unfortunately, in the critical appraisal by Tomà and Owens [1] the objective evaluation of these experimental data and of those increasingly produced worldwide is constantly neglected in the fear of "the misuse or the abuse of paediatric chest ultrasound "Under these circumstances, we would elad-

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EDITORIAL

New imaging approaches for improving diagnosis of childhood tuberculosis

In South Africa (SA), childhood tuberculosis (TB) still accounts for considerable morbidity and mortality. The incidence of TB disease and risk of progression to severe or disseminated forms are especially high in young children or those with HIV infection, Childhood TB presents most commonly as primary TB, often with non specific signs and symptoms; TB may also present as acute pneumonia. The clinical diagnosis can therefore be challenging.1 Furthermore, due to difficulty in obtaining good-quality specimens and the parchaeillary nature of childhood TB, microbiological confirmation is only achieved in a minority of children, especially in settings where there is limited capacity for microhiological confirmat

Mediastinal ultrasound for intrathoracic lymphadenopathy

Mediastinal and hilar lymphadenoputhy are the hallmarks of primary pulmonary TB. Sensitivity and specificity for identifying ymphadenopathy, using traditional anterior-posterior and lateral radiographs in children, is relatively poor. CT studies found hymphadenopathy in up to 60% of 7B patients who had normal chest X-rays, 70 but because of the significant radiation burden. CT is not a standard imaging option in children. Mediastinal ultrasound is currently being investigated as an alternative imaging test despite the anatomically limited access. Windows for mediastinal ultraspond include the suprasternal notch and parasternal intercostal spaces, which allow detection of enlarged lymph nodes in the superior ging is a major part of the diagnostic work-up for childhood TR. and anterior mediastinum. One paediatric imaging study sh Chest X-rays are relatively inexpensive and widely available. However, that mediastinal ultrasound detected lymphadenopathy in 67% of ction of mediastinal and hilar lymphadenopathy - cardinal signs of children with TB who had a normal chest X-ray: the mediastina





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The Changing Landscape of Radiology: Ultrasound Training for Nonradiologists

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world. Nelson R. Mandela (1918-2013), president of South

Africa (1004-1000) Be the change that you wish to see in the world.

Mohandas K. (Mahatma) Gandhi, Indian nationalist (1869-1948)

Confusion of goals and perfection of means seems. in my opinion, to characterize our age.

Albert Einstein, German-American physicist (1879-1955)

This past year 2013 was the 65th anniversary of medical

established in doing many aspects of ultrasound imaging, and this will not change. The horse is out of the barn, and inflexibly in opposing having clinicians involved in this aspect of imaging is not only unrealistic at this point but impractical. Radiolo gists' main concern with respect to diagnostic ultrasound examinations by nonradiologists should be that they have appropriate training and assessment, and that they are aware of their limitations so to ensure quality studies and patient safety. Such studies, as with any radiology study, should be subject to audit and peer review. Inherent to this entire topic are the issues of setting up proper training, which would start with guidelines and standards. Logistics such as time and compensation for a radiologist to train nonradiologists would have to be sorted out, but more importantly, which regulating body is responsible for

Current Practice

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Remote Sonographic Interpretation: Comparison of Standardized Video Clips to Still Images

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ABSTRACT: Objective. The aim of our study was to liver.^{1,2} where it offers a great potential to diagevaluate the role of standardized video clips con nose focal pathologies such as hepatocellular car cinoma, hemangioma, metastasis, abscess, or dif pared with still images in the diagnostic acturacy of

Point of Care US: for TB and Pneumonia



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Some research going on



Research projects using US at the Red Cross Children's Hospital in Cape Town, South Africa for mediastinal TB lymphadenopathy and pneumonia Others are using TCD for TB and HIV

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The value of transcranial Doppler imaging in children with tuberculous meningitis.

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Abstract

PURPOSE: Transcranial Doppler imaging (TCDI) is potentially a valuable investigational tool in children with tuberculous meningitis (TBM), a condition often complicated by pathology relevant to Doppler imaging such as raised intracranial pressure (ICP) and cerebral vasculopathies.

METHODS: Serial TCDI was performed on 20 TBM children with the aim of investigating cerebrovascular haemodynamics and the relationship between pulsatility index (PI) and ICP.

RESULTS: We observed a poor correlation between ICP and PI in children with communicating hydrocephalus (p = 0.72). No decline in PI was noted following 7 days of medical therapy for communicating hydrocephalus (p = 0.78) despite a concomitant decline in ICP. Conversely, a decline in PI was noted in all four children with non-communicating hydrocephalus who underwent cerebrospinal fluid diversion. High blood flow velocities (BFV) in all the basal cerebral arteries were observed in 14 children (70 %). The high BFV persisted for 7 days suggesting stenosis due to vasculitis rather than functional vasospasm. Complete middle cerebral artery (MCA) occlusion, subnormal mean MCA velocities (<40 cm/s) and PIs (<0.4) correlated with radiologically proven large cerebral infarcts.

CONCLUSIONS: TCDI-derived PI is not a reliable indicator of raised ICP in children with tuberculous hydrocephalus. This may be attributed to individual variation of tuberculous vascular disease, possibly compromising cerebral vascular compliance and resistance. Basal artery stenosis secondary to vasculitis is observed during the acute stage of TBM in the majority of children.

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HIV and the CNS

What can be seen with imaging?

'HIV ENCEPHALOPATHY' (HIVE)

- Atrophy
- White matter abnormality

'CONSEQUENCES of HIV'

- Calcifications
- Infections
- Vascular events / lesions
- Maliganancy [uncommon]

Additional: monitoring disease progression and treatment response

What can I show you to look for?

- To look for atrophy as a marker of HIVE
- To identify HIVE and PML (progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy) white matter signal patterns
- Understand that HIV is a major cause of BG calcification
- Look for vascular events
- Look for infections
- To understand the effects of HIV on TBM

HIV Encephalopathy (HIVE)

Atrophy and White matter abnormality

What about atrophy?

- It is the most common finding (90%) in HIV imaging (Kauffman et al 1992, Safriel et al 2000, Kieck and Andronikou 2004)
- It's the imaging representation of HIV encephalopathy
- It correlates with severity and viral load
- It is reversible or can be halted on HAART (Di Carli
- It is measurable on imaging
- But it is a late finding we need something earlier in the disease

Volume loss

White matter: - Expanded ventricles (in presence of large SAS) - deep sulci (near ventricles)

Doesn't it remind you of chronic evolution of HIE???

This patient is HIV-infected



An objective, automated method of measuring volume loss: Matlab



T1 image

CSF segmented

Cortex segmented

White matter segmented

Corpus Callosum: a surrogate marker of WM volume?



FOCAL LOSS

GLOBAL LOSS

Results:

Brain volume only showed a trend relationship with nadir CD4.

Correlation degree of mental development and motor segmental CC thickness

Correlation of the CC length with immunity and microcephaly Childs Nerv Syst DOI 10.1007/s00381-014-2434-3

ORIGINAL PAPER

Correlating brain volume and callosal thickness with clinical and laboratory indicators of disease severity in children with HIV-related brain disease

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Abstract

Background Objective MRI markers of central nervous system disease severity may precede subjective features of HIV enerphilopathy in children. Provious work in associated with low CD4 and with neuropsychological impairment. Significant thinning of the corpus callosum (CC), predominantly anteriorly, was also found in HIVinfected adults and correlated with CD4 levels. These



What about the white matter signal?

Encephalopathy (HIVE): T2 high signal



Bilateral 'symmetric' Spares sub-cortical U-fibres

Progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML)

- Much less common
- Have the JC virus
- Confused with HIVE but...
- More focal
- Asymmetrical
- Common posterior parietal
- Involve U-fibres
- Advanced cases 'bar-bell' sign



Summary HIVE vs. PML



More subtle WM abnormalities?

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Abstract BACKGROUND: The natu therapy (ART). We describ HIV-related neurological di	ral history and manifestation of HIV-related no e the characteristics of white matter signal ab sease.	eurological disease have been ameliorated by combination antiretroviral normalities (WMSA) on magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) in children with		
METHODS: We reviewed I neurodevelopmental data,	MRI scans of children with suspected HIV-rela virological markers and time on ART. These of	ited neurological disease despite early ART, and correlated with clinical, shildren were also on the Children with HIV Early Antiretroviral (CHER) trial.		
RESULTS: MRI scans wer commencing ART at mean (50%), predominantly in fro	e performed at a mean age 31.9 months (ran age of 18.5 and 8 weeks respectively. Multip ontal (91%) and parietal (82%) white matter. N	ge 8-54) on 44 children: 10 on deferred and 34 on early treatment arms, le high signal intensity lesions on T2 /FLAIR were documented in 22 patients lo differences in neurodevelopmental scores comparing children with and		

without WMSA were found. Neither lesion load nor distribution showed significant correlation with neurodevelopmental scores or neurological examination. Normal head growth was more common in the WMSA group (p=0.01). There was a trend for association of WMSA and longer time on ART (p=0.13) and nadir CD4% (p=0.08).

CONCLUSION: Half of children referred with HIV-related brain disease had WMSA on T2/FLAIR. Our findings of the association with normal head growth and duration of ART require further study. We suspect that WMSA can occur early and that initiating ART by 8 weeks of life may be too late to prevent HIV from entering the CNS.

Prevalence of WMSA "HIV related brain disease" = 50%

Of the 22 patients with WMSA:

- 17 patients pinpoint lesions <
 1cm
- 8 confluent lesions
- 2 patients lesions > 1cm
- Lesion size: 5 -12mm (mean 7.2mm)



WMSA

- Half of children referred for HIV-related brain disease had WMSA on T2MRI
- Involved mainly frontal and parietal lobes.
- Positive correlation of 'time on ART' and presence of WMSA
- Trend correlating nadir CD4% and presence of WMSA.

HIVE with a normal signal?

Work in HIV infected adults: DTI and FA

- Normal looking subcortical WM and CC
- BUT...areas where FA decreased
- Patients with lowest FA had most advanced HIV [Filippi CG et al 2001]
- Abnormalities corpus callosum in patients with HIV, associated with dementia severity and motor speed losses [Wu Y et al 2006]
- Reasons: trafficking of virus from ventricular CSF



DTI: FA group comparison of HIV infected vs. Controls







Consequences

Calcification

Basal ganglia calcification

- Commonest cause of BG calcification in children is HIV
- Up to 1/3 of children with HIV have calcification
- Usually affect palidus and putamen
- Less often frontal white matter / cerebellum
- Not seen before 10 months age



Infections:

Infection:



TBM: best feature is basal enhancement



Pyogenic meningitis: Surface collections; Venous infarctions

Vascular: Infarction / aneurysms

Infarction



Other findings on the scan

Parotidomegally - painless bilateral Lymphadenopathy - cervical



HIV and TB together: Add petrol to the fire?





HIV and TB

- Because the body fails to contain TB in the lungs.....
- HIV predisposes to blood borne and extrapulmonary TB.....
- BUT
- HIV also affects imaging appearances of TB

TB and HIV co-infection: CNS

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MRI appearances of tuberculous meningitis in HIV-infected children: a paradoxically protective mechanism?

Immune suppression predisposes HIV-infected children to opportunistic infections including Mycobacterium tuberculosis. HIV infection increases the risk of progression to active disease and also increases the risk for extrapulmonary involvement, including tuberculous meningitis (TBM). Brain injury in TBM is the consequence of an immune-mediated vasculopathy. HIV-related immune dysfunction prevents the production of thick exudates that cause parenchymal infarctions and cerebrospinal fluid flow obstruction. It could be postulated that HIV may be 'protective' from some of the common complications related to TBM. The aim of this paper is to highlight the 'protective' features of HIV-related immune suppression observed on MRI in children with TBM and promote the use of MRI for detecting subtle and atypical meningeal enhancement in HIV and TBM coinfected children.

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PERSPECTIVE

Concepts in imaging TBM



 It's the immune response to bacilli in the meninges that results in pathological features of TBM.....

Diagnosis of TBM:

MRI diagnosis of pediatric TBM = basal enhancement (93%)



Basal Enhancement in HIV

BE = infrequent, less prominent, atypically distributed, milliary nodules (100%)



Ventriculomegally in HIV

CSF space = result of atrophy; hydrocephalus less frequent and exclusively communicating





Co-infection with TB