Recurrent nasopharyngeal carcinoma with a rare presentation of anterior chest wall swelling

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Abstract

Objective: To report a unique case of recurrent nasopharyngeal carcinoma (NPC) presenting as the anterior chest wall swelling. Design: Case report.

Methodology: Medical record review. Results: A 48-year-old Chinese man was diagnosed with nasopharyngeal carcinoma and initially treated with chemotherapy for the primary tumor. He was clinically completely responded well to the treatment given. He presented with painful anterior chest wall swelling 24 months after completion of chemoradiotherapy. CT thorax revealed lung metastases with direct invasion of the lung metastases to the anterior chest wall. Biopsy of the thoracic lesion showed the same histological features as the primary tumor. Conclusion: To our knowledge, this was the first case of recurrent NPC presented as the chest wall swelling in the literature. The case highlights the different systemic manifestation of NPC. © 2017 Japan Health Science University & Japan International Cultural Exchange Foundation.

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