

forearms and legs. **Methodology:** The patient was hospitalized due to hematological ITP, but these skin lesions were not compatible with ITP. A psychiatrist was consulted as the patient attempted to draw attention to her lesions during daily visits. She was diagnosed with factitial dermatitis by psychiatry. **Results:** Later, upon the development of symptoms such as epistaxis and hemoptysis associated with ITP, the patient's attention was directed to the newly developing symptoms, and the effort to create lesions decreased and the existing lesions were observed to regress. **Conclusion:** An autoantibody-mediated thrombocytopenic condition called immune thrombocytopenic purpura (ITP) causes an accelerated loss of platelets and presents with petechial rashes (4). On the other hand, dermatitis artifacta is a psychological problem that is characterized by self-induced skin lesions and should be examined accordingly (5). Clinicians should always be aware that skin lesions in ITP patients may be oriented toward psychological disorders.



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Mesenchymal stem cell supported hematopoietic stem cell transplantation from a mismatched unrelated donor to children with Fanconi anaemia: A successful technique

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Case report: Over the past 20 years, hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT) outcomes in patients with Fanconi Anaemia (FA) have improved dramatically. It is well established that the addition of mesenchymal stem cells (MSCs) to HSCT regimens in aplastic anaemias has positive effects on transplantation results. Considering these results, we present the transplantation procedure successfully performed on a patient with FA, supported by the MSC infusion from a 9/10 HLA-matched unrelated donor. **Case:** An 11-year-old girl was admitted with multiple congenital anomalies and pancytopenia. DEB test was positive, compound heterozygous FANCA mutation was detected. A diagnosis of Fanconi anemia (FA)

was made. We continued administering oral prednisolone and danazol without transfusion for 3 years. The need for platelet transfusion guided us to schedule HSCT. Given the absence of any matched family donor in her case, a 9/10 HLA matched donor was found from the national stem cell bank. Reduced-intensity conditioning regimen (Fludarabine, 30 mg/m²/day, days -7 to -3; cyclophosphamide; CY, 10 mg/kg/day, days -6 to -3) and serotherapy (ATG, 10 mg/kg/day, days -4 to -2) were performed. Mesenchymal stem cells (MSC) infusion (1×10^6 /kg) was administered on days -1 and +7, along with a dose of 6.2×10^6 /kg peripheral stem cells. Tacrolimus, methotrexate, and prednisolone (1 mg/kg/day, 28 days) were administered as graft versus host disease (GVHD) prophylaxis. Neutrophil engraftment ($2020/\text{mm}^3$) occurred on the 9th day, platelet engraftment ($135000/\text{mm}^3$) occurred on the 12th day. She had CMV reactivation in the 3rd month of HSCT. Antiviral treatment for CMV infection was carried out for 3 weeks. On day +100, a steroid was added due to grade II skin acute GVHD (aGVHD). Following its tapering off after 15 days, steroid administration was stopped. The patient achieved complete chimerism, allowing the discontinuation of immunosuppressive treatments in the first year itself. **Discussion:** MRD and MUD transplants yield the highest success rate in patients with FA. However, the results of HSCT from an alternative donor are still unsatisfactory. MSCs are responsible for immune regulation, tissue repair and regeneration, homing, and support of the hematopoietic system. It has been reported that infusion of MSCs can reduce the development of aGVHD by 3-fold and improve the OS of patients after allogeneic HSCT in comparison to standard prophylaxis. The addition of MSC to the conditioning regimens for MMUD transplants in patients with FA has been proven advantageous due to its graft-supporting, immunosuppressive, and immunomodulatory properties. However, large-scale randomised controlled trials are yet required to back these benefits.

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GRANULOCYTE TRANSFUSION ACCELERATES RECOVERY FROM NEUTROPENIA IN PATIENTS WITH HEMATOLOGIC MALIGNANCIES

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Objective: Neutropenia is the most common and serious consequence of myelosuppressive chemotherapy in patients with hematologic malignancies. Granulocyte transfusions can

restore granulocyte counts and thus theoretically reduce the risk of infection in such patients. In our study, we aimed to demonstrate the efficacy of granulocyte transfusion in neutropenic patients with hematologic malignancy despite recombinant myeloid growth factor therapy. **Methodology:** In this retrospective study, 72 patients who were treated in our hematology clinic between 2016 and 2022 and who met the criteria of our study were included. Demographic data, malignancy subtypes, chemotherapy regimens, number of neutropenic days, clinical outcome before and after granulocyte transfusion, and neutrophil count changes in blood parameters were analyzed. In the study, p-values less than 0.05 were considered significant. The analyses were analyzed with the SPSS 25.0 program. **Results:** In our study, 56.9% of the patients were male, the most common diagnosis was AML with 65.3% and 91.7% Gram-/ + was the most common type of treatment. It was observed that 62.5% of the patients recovered from neutropenia after granulocyte transfusion and 37.5% did not recover or exited. It was observed that patients who were neutropenic before chemotherapy were more likely to recover from neutropenia after granulocyte transfusion ($p=0.01$) and had lower rates of recovery from neutropenia ($p=0.04$). **Conclusion:** Considering the present results, granulocyte transfusion seems to accelerate the recovery from neutropenia in the sample we analyzed. In addition, the diagnosis of the patient, the type of chemotherapy received, and the time of granulocyte transfusion were evaluated as factors affecting the results. However, in light of the data obtained, we believe that prospective studies with a larger number of patients should be conducted to evaluate the consistency of our results.

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CARCINOMA EX PLEOMORPHIC ADENOMA: DIAGNOSTIC CHALLENGE AND TREATMENT PROTOCOL

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Objective: Carcinoma ex pleomorphic adenoma CXPA, a rare epithelial malignancy arising from a primary or recurrent benign pleomorphic adenoma, accounts for 11.% of all malignant salivary gland neoplasms. It is difficult to diagnose pre-operatively. often poses a diagnostic challenge to clinicians and pathologists Treatment involves an ablative surgical procedure with neck dissection followed by radiotherapy. We aim to investigate the impact of postoperative radiotherapy on improving disease-free survival. **Case report:** A 39-year-old Libyan male presented with painless swelling near the angle of the right mandible four months ago. FNA Cytology showed a benign pleomorphic adenoma. A total parotidectomy with VII CN preservation was done in September 2022. The histopathological features were consistent with carcinoma EX pleomorphic adenoma, a widely invasive salivary duct