

limitada como agente único, sua combinação com venetoclax apresentou efeitos sinérgicos ou aditivos em modelos resistentes. Esses achados sustentam o potencial de terapias combinadas baseadas em tolinapant em subgrupos específicos de LMA. **Financiamento:** FAPESP, CAPES e CNPq.

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ISOLATED SPHENOIDAL HISTOPLASMOSIS IN A NEUTROPENIC PATIENT WITH ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA: A DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC CHALLENGE

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Introduction: Invasive fungal infections (IFIs) are a major cause of morbidity and mortality in patients undergoing intensive chemotherapy for acute myeloid leukemia (AML). *Histoplasma capsulatum*, a dimorphic fungus, usually causes pulmonary disease after inhalation. Isolated sphenoidal involvement without pulmonary manifestations is exceedingly rare and diagnostically challenging. We report a case of sphenoidal histoplasmosis presenting as invasive fungal sinusitis during AML induction in a neutropenic patient. **Case report:** A 37-year-old woman was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia with monocytic differentiation (AML-M5) and started induction chemotherapy with the 7+3 regimen (cytarabine and daunorubicin) in April 2023. During medullary aplasia, she developed febrile neutropenia, managed with broad-spectrum antibiotics and amphotericin B due to high suspicion of invasive aspergillosis, with further clinical and radiologic improvement. Later during hospitalization, she developed a new febrile episode of unknown origin, along with progressive frontal headache, facial edema, and purulent rhinorrhea. Paranasal sinus CT revealed pansinusitis and sphenoidal bone erosion, suggestive of fungal sinusitis. Endoscopic sphenoidal biopsy was performed without complications. Histopathology revealed numerous intracellular yeast-like organisms staining positively with PAS and Grocott-Gomori methenamine silver, consistent with *Histoplasma* spp. No necrosis, granulomas, or leukemic infiltration were seen. Fungal cultures were negative. A diagnosis of localized sphenoidal histoplasmosis was established, and oral itraconazole was initiated, with progressive clinical improvement. The patient remained under close infectious surveillance, with full resolution of symptoms. She later received reinduction chemotherapy with the MITO-FLAG protocol (mitoxantrone, fludarabine, high-dose cytarabine) without recurrence of fungal disease. She ultimately progressed to refractory leukemia and died of multiorgan failure, unrelated to the

resolved infection. **Conclusion:** Localized histoplasmosis of the paranasal sinuses is exceptionally rare, particularly in immunocompromised patients with hematologic malignancies. Sphenoidal involvement with bone erosion typically raises suspicion for *Aspergillus* spp. or *Mucorales*, more common causes of invasive fungal sinusitis. In contrast, *H. capsulatum* rarely causes isolated sinonasal disease, and sphenoidal presentation without lung involvement (as in this case) is highly atypical. Diagnosis is challenging due to non-specific symptoms, overlapping radiologic features, and frequent negative cultures. Histopathology with fungal-specific stains was essential for definitive diagnosis in this case. This report underscores the need for clinical vigilance regarding uncommon fungal presentations in AML, especially when empiric antifungal therapy fails. Although fungal culture is the standard reference, tissue histopathology may be the only reliable diagnostic method in localized histoplasmosis. Therefore, isolated sphenoidal histoplasmosis, though rare, should be considered in neutropenic patients with refractory sinonasal symptoms, particularly in endemic areas. Given the low sensitivity of cultures and nonspecific imaging, histopathologic confirmation remains critical. This case highlights the diagnostic value of early endoscopic evaluation and broad differential consideration in immunosuppressed hosts.

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LEISHMANIOSE VISCERAL EM PACIENTE COM LEUCEMIA AGUDA DE FENÓTIPO MISTO: RELATO DE CASO

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Introdução: A Leishmaniose visceral é doença potencialmente fatal com prevalência no norte e nordeste do Brasil com transmissão causada pela picada de flebotomíneos, enquanto que a Leucemia aguda de fenótipo misto é um subtipo raro de leucemia aguda com coexistência de marcadores celulares mielóides e linfóides, de causa não muito bem esclarecida, mas que envolve fatores genéticos e ambientais. Esta última é subdividida em bifenotípica, quando uma mesma população de blastos expressa marcadores de mais de uma linhagem, e em bilinear, quando dois grupos de blastos preenchem os critérios de diferentes linhagens. A ocorrência das duas doenças é rara e este caso clínico serve de alerta para o diagnóstico diferencial em áreas endêmicas desta associação, uma vez que a leishmaniose também apresenta alterações hematológicas importantes. **Descrição do caso:** Mulher, 68a, leucemia aguda bilinear diagnosticada em maio de 2024 (mielograma 75% de blastos mielóides),