





ENDOCRINE MANIFESTATIONS IN ERDHEIM CHESTER DISEASE

Monocentric study of 64 patients

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Objectives and patients

- Endocrine manifestations in ECD described only in **case reports**
- Evaluation of the prevalence and evolution of endocrine manifestations in a large cohort of ECD patients
- Observational monocentric study

Patients

- With confirmed ECD
- Followed in the Internal Medicine Department (Pr Amoura) and addressed in the Endocrinological Department (Pr Touraine) in Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital
- Consecutive patients between October 2007 and May 2013

Introduction

Endocrine evaluation

- During hospitalization
- Evaluation criteria:
 - ECD (diagnosis, evolution, localizations, treatments)
 - Endocrinology:
 - Clinics: BMI, BP, PUPD syndrome, sexual dysfunction, genitals, breasts, thyroid
 - **Biology:** FG, HbAIc, lipid profile, 25(OH)D
 - Hormones: anterior and posterior pituitary functions, peripheral glands functions (gonads, adrenals, thyroid, parathyroid)
 - Imagery: pituitary MRI, pelvic or testicular sonography, adrenal CT, bone densitometry, thyroid sonography
 - Other: sperm count

Material & methods

Endocrine Manifestations in a Monocentric Cohort of 64 Patients With Erdheim-Chester Disease

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Characteristics of the patients

64 patients (50 🕴 / 14 🌻)	Mean +/- SD	
Age at diagnosis (years)	54.2 +/- 14.8	
Age at 1 st clinical signs of ECD (years)	49.6 +/- 15.8	
Fime before diagnosis (years)	4.9 +/- 6.5	
Age at 1 st endocrinological symptoms (years)	44.8 +/- 16.1	
	N (%)	
naugural endocrinological manifestations	14/61 (23)	
Diabetes insipidus	12/14 (86.7) 3/14 (21.4)	
Gonadotropic insufficiency		
ge at I st endocrinological evaluation (years)	57.6 +/- 13.4	
Known endocrinological involvement before evaluation	23/64 (35.9)	
Diabetes insipidus	21/23 (91.3)	
At least one anterior pituitary deficit	9/23 (39.1)	



Endocrine manifestations

Hormonal dysfunction	% of patients (N)
Growth hormone deficiency	78.6% (22/28)
Testicular deficiency	53.1% (26/49)
Hyperprolactinemia	44.1% (26/59)
Diabetes insipidus	33.3% (19/57)
Gonadotropic deficiency	22.2% (14/63)
Thyreotropic deficiency	9.5% (6/63)
Thyroid deficiency	9.5% (6/63)
Corticotropic deficiency	3.1% (2/64)
Adrenal deficiency	I.6% (I/64)
NONE	I.6% (I/64)

- Pituitary (stalk) infiltration = 24% (10/41)
- Absence of posterior pituitary bright spot
 = 60% (24/40)
- Adrenal infiltration = 39% (9/23), bilateral in 2/3 cases





- No correlation between anterior and posterior pituitary deficits
- No gender difference apart from gonadal insufficiency
- Anterior pituitary deficits in the same order of frequency than in LCH or post radiotherapy
- **DI** often inaugural (65%) and permanent

Anterior pituitary deficits





Gonadal function in men

• 57.4 ± 12.8 yrs	Results	N (%)
	Normal pituitary – testicular axis	13/49 (26.5%)
Hormonal evaluation	Gonadotropic deficiency	10/49 (20.4%)
	Testicular deficiency	26/49 (53.1%)
	Testicular volume < 15 ml	22/27 (81.5%)
	Normal testicular structure	22/31 (71%)
Ultrasonography	Unilateral infiltration	3/31 (9.7%)
	Bilateral infiltration	6/31 (19.4%)

- Alteration of sperm counts (5/6)
- No correlation between gonadotropic / gonadal function, sperm count and testicular US findings
- Strong correlation between testicular volume and gonadic function

Testicular infiltration



HES staining showing histiocyte infiltrate surrounding a seminiferous tubule (\rightarrow)

Positive anti-CD163 immunostaining on the histiocyte infiltrate

Recommendations

	CLINICAL EVALUATION	MORPHOLOGICAL EVALUATION	BIOLOGICAL EVALUATION
PITUITARY	Search for signs of anterior pituitary deficits 24hours diuresis and water intake	Pituitary MRI	FSH, LH, E2 # / Testosterone # PRL TSH, FT4 IGFI, GH under insulin tolerance test ACTH, Cortisol under insulin tolerance test or after synacthen test Natremia and urinary osmolarity
GONADS	Evaluation of testicular volume and search of palpable testicular nodules	Gonadal sonography (and in case of men with testicular infiltration, sperm cryopreservation)	FSH, LH E2 🛉 Testosterone + inhibine B 🛉
THYROID	Search of a goitre and of nodules	Thyroid sonography if clinical anomalies	TSH, FT4 (and TPO + ATG in patients under IFN therapy)
ADRENAL	Search of signs of adrenal deficiency	Abdominal or adrenal CT scan	ACTH, Cortisol under insulin tolerance test or after synacthen test Renin and aldosterone
BREAST	Search for lumps	Mammography +/- mammary sonography if presence of clinical lumps	-
METABOLIS	Blood pressure	_	Fasting glycemia +/- HbAIc
М	Electrocardiogram	-	TC, TG, HDL-c, LDL-c

Conclusions

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