

Ocular melanoma from malignant change in a naevus of Ota, with pulmonary and pleural metastases

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A woman aged 59 years, who was a non smoker, with a history of congenital naevus of Ota of the left eye underwent excision of the left eye following persistent pain and loss of vision. Ocular Biopsy showed extensive melanoma (Figures 1). Six months later she was hospitalized because of persistent cough and dyspnoea. Chest X-ray (Figure 2) and chest computed tomography (CT) (Figure 3) showed multiple bilateral pulmonary metastases and right-sided pleural fluid. The pleural fluid cytology (Figure 4) showed metastatic melanoma. The patient was managed with pleurodesis, chemotherapy and supportive care. She died 7 months later.

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FIGURE 1



FIGURE 2

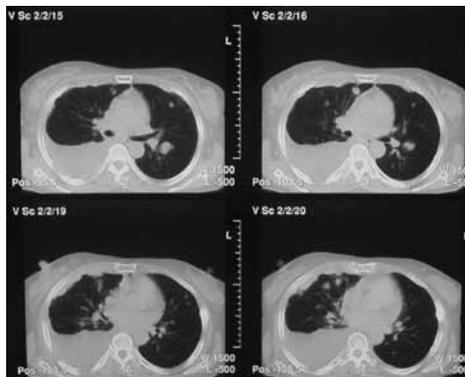


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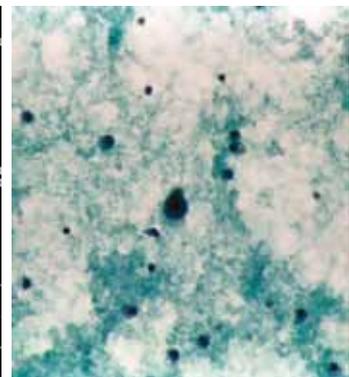


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