

NEUROSYPHILIS – CASE REPORT

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Abstract: *Syphilis is inherited or acquired sexually transmitted disease caused by the spirochete Treponema pallidum. Tertiary syphilis may occur 3-15 years after the initial infection. In the tertiary stage, syphilis can be manifested as a gummy form, cardiovascular or neurosyphilis. We present a case of late-stage syphilis of a forty - year old, HIV-negative man. Predominant symptoms were dizziness, weakness and numbness of the extremities. VDRL was positive in serum and cerebrospinal fluid. MR findings pointed to multiischemic lesions, cortical, subcortical and cerebellar reduction changes, occlusion of cerebral arteries and slow overall final circulation within endocranial. Antibiotic therapy has led to the reduction of symptoms and clinical findings.*

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