

THE MALIGNANT NEUROLEPTICAL SYNDROM IN INFECTIOUS DISEASES CLINIC (CONSIDERATIONS OVER 5 CASES)

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The authors get into discussion a new aspect of medical pathology, met more and more frequently in infectious diseases department. It's about "Malignant Neuroleptical Syndrom" or "Noxiousness Syndrom to

Neuroleptics", a yatrogenosis described to patients treated with these drugs, mainly with "Haloperidol". Because of the cardinal symptoms: hyperthermia, muscular rigidity, the decay of general condition, leucocytosis etc., the syndrom is "miming" to identify the meningeal syndrom or other possibly infectious syndrom, being one of the causes of long lasting fever with a hard-to-find etiology. So, diagnosis confusions can occur from the side of these who lead the patients in infectious diseases departments and, too, difficulties in infirmate in a proper time the infectious cause of the syndrom by the infectious diseases physician for the purpose of having put the patient in intensive care unit, the only one able to have the competence of hospitalisation such cases, mostly with a severe evolution and with a lethality over 40%. There are described five such cases that have been in hospital in the third section of the Infectious Diseases Department of County Clinical Hospital, for the mentioned symptoms and two cases evoluated rapidly to exitus, before infirmate the infectious cause and having put the patients in the intensive care unit of the same hospital. It is opinated that there must be an interdisciplinary corect colaboration in such cases in the direction: psychiatry-intensive therapy-infectious diseases consulting and not the reversal as usually happens.