

RX-CHEST IN AIDS PATIENTS WHO DEVELOP NONSPECIFIC MENINGITIS

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A number of non neoplastic, non infections pulmonary diseases have been noted to occur in both HIV and AIDS patients, among which lymphocytic interstitial pneumonia, or non specific interstitial pneumonia. We will limit our interest on. Lymphocystic interstitial pneumonia (LIP). In our hospital LIP has been identified in up 50% of children with AIDS who develop pulmonary and other diseases. When present, symptoms are nonspecific and identical to those of opportunistic infections. Radiographically, LIP is responsible for diffuse, fine and coarse reticular or reticulo-nodular infiltrates. We describe the following aspects: a) thick interlobular, septa and interlobular bands; b) multiple small nodules within the septa, the lobules and along the peribroncho-vascular bandes; c) areas of ground-glass appearance associated, sometime, with bronchiolar dilatations.