Acute Hemorrhagic Edema of Infancy With Associated Hemorrhagic Lacrimation

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Sir:

In the interesting case of acute hemorrhagic edema of young children with associated hemorrhagic lacrimation reported by Sneller H et al. [1], the authors state that no more than one other case [2] of hemorrhagic lacrimation has been seen in infants and children affected by this skin limited small-vessel leukocytoclastic vasculitis [3].

We recently started to develop AHEBI, the acute hemorrhagic edema bibliographic database, which should progressively integrate all the original articles on acute hemorrhagic edema published since 1913 in Dutch, English, French, German, Italian Portuguese and Spanish. Using the mentioned database, we found 3 further cases of hemorrhagic lacrimation in children affected by acute hemorrhagic edema published in 1972 [4], 2004 [5] and 2018 [6]. It is therefore concluded that in acute hemorrhagic edema, hemorrhagic lacrimation is an uncommon but not exceptional complication that has been so far documented in at least 5 cases [1, 2, 4-6]: 3 girls and 2 boys aged from 5 to 11, median 6 months.

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