

Parathyroid cysts, a rare condition: a case report and review of the literature

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Abstract

Parathyroid cysts are a rare medical condition, that is why they represent a diagnostic and therapeutic challenge for the practitioner. The cysts are often small in diameter, measuring a few millimeters, but in some cases they are centimetric in size. There are 2 types of parathyroid cysts, according to their activity: the nonfunctioning (essential) and the functioning (adenomatous) forms, the last one being responsible of hyperparathyroidism. We report a case of nonfunctioning symptomatic parathyroid cyst in a 36-year old woman revealed by an anterior cervical tumefaction focusing on the pre-operative diagnosis and the management of it regarding the various therapeutic methods described in the literature.

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