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A Case of Polyneuropathy of the POEMS Syndrome Responsive to Intravenous Immunoglobulin

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POEMS syndrome is a multisystem disorder associated with polyneuropathy, organomegaly, endocrinopathy, a monoclonal protein(M-protein), and skin change. Recently we have had the opportunity to attend one patient with clinical features similar to this syndrome. He was a 46-year-old man who had a progressive polyneuropathy, swallowing difficulty, hepatosplenomegaly, hypothyroidism, IgA type monoclonal gammapathy, specific skin change and ascites. His symptoms such as low extrimity pain and weakness, swallowing difficulty were improved by high-dose 7S-IgG. Thus, we report a case with a review of the literature.

Key wards: POEMS syndrome, immunoglobulin

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Table 1. Nerve Conduction Studies at Presentation and aft	ter Immunoglobulin(IVIG) Treatment
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Nerve (Right side)	September (at presentation)	December (after IVIG)	Normal value
Motor nerve conduction			
Median nerve			
Distal latency(APB-Wrist)	4.7	4.1	< 4.4
Amplitude	9.5	13.3	> 4.0
Conduction velocity(Wrist-Elbow)	37.1	43.4	> 49
Ulnar nerve			
Distal latency(ADQ-Wrist)	3.4	2.9	< 3.3
Amplitude	3.1	3.8	> 6.0
Conduction velocity(Wrist-Elbow)	34.5	52	> 49
Peroneal nerve			
Distal latency(EDB-Ankle)	6.6	5.1	< 6.5
Amplitude	0.2	0.5	> 5
Conduction velocity(Ankle-BFH)	26	29.6	> 44
Tibial nerve			
Distal latency(AHB-Ankle)	9.6	5.9	< 5.8
Amplitude	3.2	4.3	> 4.0
Conduction velocity(Ankle-Popliteal fossa)	28.2	34	> 41
Sensory nerve conduction			
Median nerve (IF-Wrist)			
Amplitude	6	7.6	> 9
Conduction velocity	30.5	40.1	> 40.2
Ulnar nerve (LF-Wrist)			
Amplitude	8.4	10	> 9
Conduction velocity	30.6	33.9	> 40.2
Sural nerve (LM-leg)			
Amplitude	0.2	NR	> 0.7
Conduction velocity	27.4	NR	> 37

Amplitude(distal)-mV (CMAP; compound muscle action potential),

Amplitude(distal)- μ V (SNAP; sensory nerve action potential),

conduction velocity-m/sec, distal latency-msec, NR-no response

APB; abductor pollicis brevis, ADQ; abductor digiti quinti, BFH; below fibular head

EDB; extensor digitorum brevis, AHB; abductor hallucis brevis, IF; index finger

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