

TORNWALDT'S CYST- A HIDDEN ENTITY- A CASE REPORT

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ABSTRACT:

Introduction: Tornwaldt's cyst is a benign developmental lesion originating within the midline of nasopharynx. Etiopathogenesis of this cyst is outpouching of the pharyngeal mucosa caused by retraction of notochord. Most of the cases are asymptomatic and are discovered as an incidental finding in patients undergoing diagnostic nasal endoscopy or radiological examination. However, recently the cases are on an upsurge which could be attributed to increased use of nasal endoscopy.

Case Report: Reported here is a case of 27-year-old man who complained of nasal obstruction and repeated nasal discharge for which diagnostic nasal endoscopy was performed which revealed a deviated nasal septum and a nasopharyngeal cystic lesion . Instead of CT Paranasal sinus, we opted MRI for further analysis of a nasopharyngeal cystic lesion following which endoscopic surgery was performed.

Conclusion: This paper emphasises on the importance of radiological and endoscopic examination in the diagnosis of the Tornwaldt's cyst.

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