
Demographic: Female, 38 yrs, Pregnancy Not-specified, America North, General speciality

Clinical features extracted from the case and entered into the query box:
postpartum loss of vision
shortness of breath
headaches
tachycardia
renal failure
arthralgias
generalized edema
scotomata
mitral regurgitation

Synonyms used by Isabel for the above query:
Shortness of breath
Headaches
Tachycardia
Arthralgias
Scotomata
Mitral regurgitation
Generalized edema
Renal failure

STOP!

Before you read further you might want to construct your own:

• Complete differential diagnosis
• Final diagnosis

In the following section you will find:

• The differential diagnosis constructed by the MGH panel
• The final diagnosis of the case
• Which of the MGH panel differential diagnoses did Isabel contain
• Did Isabel suggest the Final diagnosis
Differential Diagnoses considered by the MGH panel:
Antiphospholipid Antibody Syndrome
Cryoglobulinemia

Final Diagnosis of the case according to NEJM:
Postpartum renal failure due to thrombotic microangiopathy, associated with antiphospholipid antibodies.

Differential Diagnoses of the case as given by Isabel:
Antiphospholipid Antibody Syndrome – under Rheumatic diseases heading
Cryoglobulinemia – under Rheumatic diseases heading

Was the final diagnosis given by Isabel:
Yes, under Rheumatic diseases heading
## Isabel Differential:

**INFECTIOUS DISEASES**
- Meningococcal Disease

**GASTROINTESTINAL DISORDERS**
- Food Poisoning

**RHEUMATIC DISEASES**
- SLE
- Systemic Sclerosis
- Polymyositis Nodosa
- Antiphospholipid Syndrome

**CARDIAC DISORDERS**
- Infective Endocarditis
- Hypertension in Pregnancy

**NEOPLASTIC DISEASES**
- Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma

**GYNECOLOGICAL DISORDERS**
- Breast Cancer

**NEPHROLOGY**
- Renal Failure

**NUTRITIONAL DISORDERS**
- Vit C Deficiency

**TOXICOLOGY**
- Heavy Metal Intoxication

**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARDS**
- Decompression Illness

**RESPIRATORY SYSTEM DISORDERS**
- Sarcoidosis

**SHOCK STATES**
- Cardiogenic Shock

**HEMATOLOGY**
- Methemoglobinemia

**NERVOUS SYSTEM DISORDERS**
- Cerebral Sinus Venous Thrombosis

**OBSTETRIC DISORDERS**
- Puerperium Complications

**ENDOCRINE SYSTEM**
- Hyperthyroidism

**DERMATOLOGY**
- Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis

**OPHTHALMOLOGY**
- Retinitis Pigmentosa

**ALLERGIC DISORDERS**
- Arthropod Allergy