

Unusual Foreign Body Upper Cervical Oesophagus : Case Report

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Introduction To Case Report

A 2 1/2 year old girl reported to ENT Dept 92 Base hospital srinagar at 1500hrs on 21/3/2018 with history of mother witnessing Dashboard pin ingestion. PA (Fig.1) and lateral (Fig.2) chest X-rays revealed the presence of a radio-opaque FB located in the upper cervical oesophagus. A rigid oesophagoscopy under GA performed, Dashboard pin seen just below the superior oesophageal sphincter, unfortunately, the sharp pin end pierced anteriorly and impacted. FB disimpacted gently by passing tip of scope beyond the FB and holding FB at junction of sharp pin end and its attachment to round flat surface. Engaging sharp pin free end into the scope and successfully withdrawing FB along with scope. After removal of FB repeat oesophagoscopy showed no obvious mucosal tear but also Ryles tube inserted and kept for 48hours. Child discharged after 5days with no complaints.



Figure 1 : Chest PA view showing radiopaque foreign body



Figure 2 : Lateral Xray showing radiopaque foreign body (Board pin) in upper esophagus