

Author's reply

Dear Editor,

I was glad to read the attached letter to the editor and the interest created by our article among colleagues from the medical community. The comments mentioned in the above letter are very interesting and we agree with most of them.

The additional possible pathogenetic mechanisms – genetic predisposition, surgical trauma, ionizing radiation – are also correct, although no radiation therapy has been performed in our reported case.

Of course we do agree that there are many questions regarding the proposed pathogenetic hypotheses that cannot currently be answered. The absence of one definitive and reliable explanation is the reason for the existence of the various hypotheses listed above, which all have weak points for criticism. However, we do not believe in simple coincidences in medicine. Probably, the characterization of “coincidence” in clinical practice is what we cannot explain reliably with the available knowledge, and this is what we are trying to further explore.

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