

were females of 22 months and 9 years respectively and one case was 4 years old male. All these cases presented with a soft compressible mass in the left side of neck, which increased in size substantially on Valsalva manouvre. All three cases were treated successfully by excision of the involved segment of the vein. There were no early or late complications and no recurrences were noted in 4-7 years follow up.

The 3 cases of aneurysm of internal jugular vein reported in literature and the present case reported here showed striking similarities. All the patients were below 10 years of age and all presented with a soft compressible swelling in the neck, which increased substantially in size after a Valsalva manouvre.

#### TREATMENT

All the case reports of Internal Jugular Vein aneurysm cited in literature have been treated by surgery i.e. excision of the aneurysmal segment of the internal jugular vein. Surgical excision is done purely for cosmetic reasons. No

early or late complications have been reported and no recurrences have been noted on follow up.

Unfortunately our patient was not willing for surgery and hence excision of the Internal Jugular Vein aneurysm could not be done.

#### SUMMARY

A swelling in the neck, which becomes prominent on exertion (Valsava) could be a laryngocoele, Pharyngeal pouch or a lymphangioma. Although isolated venous aneurysms are extremely rare in children and only a few cases have been reported in literature, they also present clinically with a swelling in the neck which becomes prominent on Valsalva. Proper investigation establishes the diagnosis of this rare clinical entity.

Because of its rare occurrence a case isolated venous aneurysm in an 8 year old boy its clinical presentation, the investigation protocol and the treatment of this condition is discussed here.

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#### CORRIGENDUM

The article entitled 'Study of Tympanomastoidectomy Under Local Anaesthesia Using Bupivacaine' published in 47:2:1995 should bear the name of Ajit Singh Khurana, Professor (ENT II) Rajendra Hospital Patiala 147 001 as its co-author,

The mistake is regretted.

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