

Case Presentations: Non Responding TB

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What we all know

- Firm diagnosis of TB , esp. pulmonary TB, once suspected clinically is not difficult using common modalities like
 - Radiology
 - Chest X ray
 - HRCT Chest
 - Microbiology
 - Smear and Culture
 - PCR, Genexpert etc.



Common understanding

- TB not responding to 1st line AKT = Drug resistant TB
- 2nd Line drugs are usually started
- Though microbiological diagnosis should be attempted before labelling a case as MDR TB, it is not done by some doctors



Today's Talk

- 2 cases of Pulmonary TB
- Both started on treatment of MDR TB
 - Without basic investigations



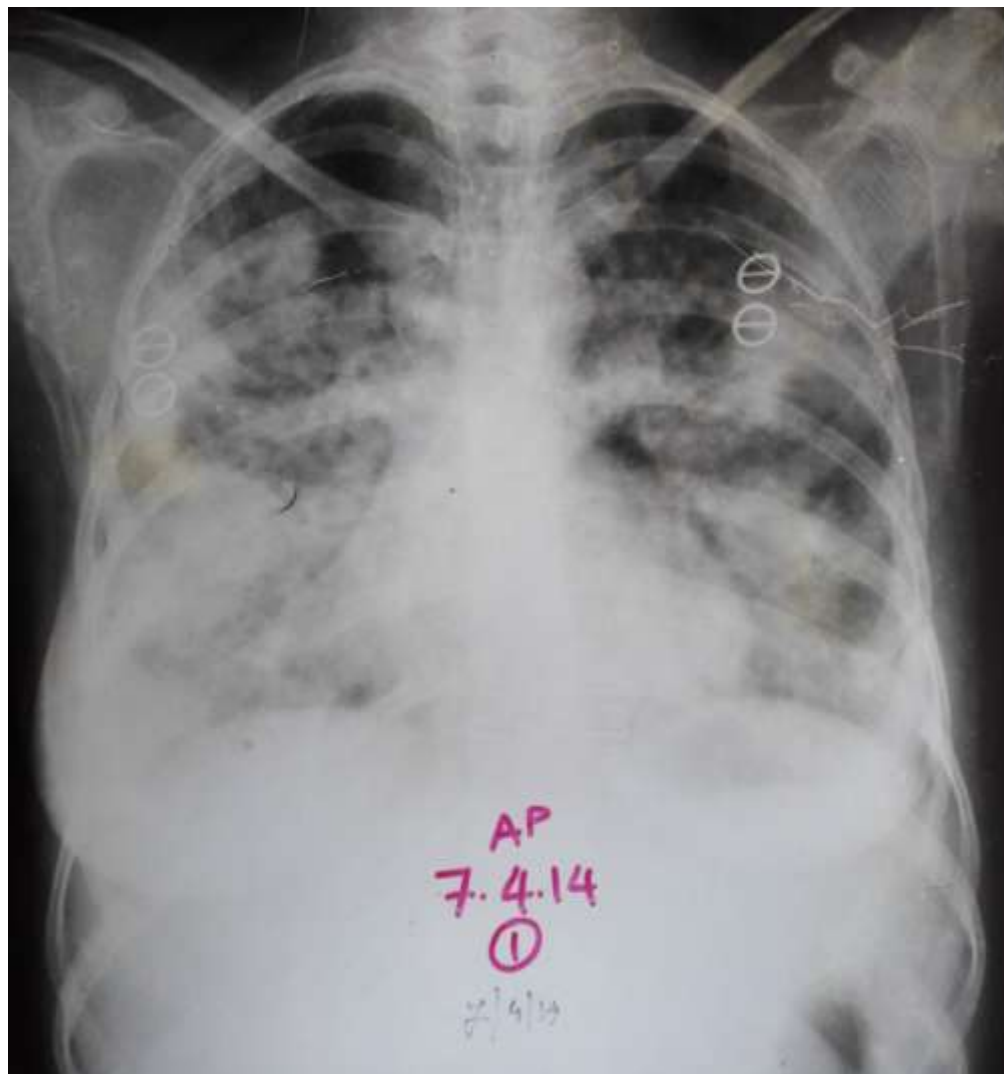
Case 1.....

- 25 year old married lady
- 8 months gravida
- Dry Cough for 2 months
- Given symptomatic treatment at health center
- Post delivery had severe cough and breathlessness and went to SSGH



Reports

- Consulted private chest physician
- Admitted for 5 days (March 2014)
- Wt : 33 kg
- Sputum : AFB Negative





On discharge

- Tab Omnacortil 10 mg 1 bd
- Tab Akurit-4 : 1 tds
- Tab Moxiflox 400 mg 1 od
- Tab Ethionamide 250 mg 1 bd
- Tab Linezolid 600 mg 1 od
- Tab Clarithromycin 250 mg 1 bd
- Tab MV, Antacid etc



On follow up

■ 18/04/2014

- Wt : 31 kg / SpO2 : 86%
- Tab Akurit-4 : 1 bd
- Tab Moxiflox 400 mg 1 od
- Tab Ethionamide 250 mg
-0---1--- ½
- Tab Linezolid 600 mg 1 od
- Tab Clarithromycin 250 mg
1 bd
- Tab DAN-P / Antacid / MV/
powder

■ 28/04/2014

- Cough and fever
- Tab Akurit-4 : **1 bd**
- Tab Omnacortil 10 mg 1BD
- Cough Suppresant Syp
- Tab DAN-P / Antacid / MV/
powder



27 April 2014

- Had giddiness at social function
- Admitted in ICU with altered sensorium
- Chest X ray : bilateral consolidation and pleural effusion

- Deranged LFT
- CT head s/o early communicating hydrocephalus
- CSF : Non conclusive



Sputum report (3rd May 2014)



- AFB 3 day
 - NEGATIVE
 - AFB Culture put up

Line probe assay

- Mycobacterium Tuberculosis complex
 - DETECTED
 - ISONIAZID : SUSCEPTIBLE
 - RIFAMPICIN : SUSCEPTIBLE



Sputum G/S and C/S

SPECIMEN : SPUTUM

PUS CELLS : 5 - 10/lpf Epithelial cells : 20 - 25/lpf

SPUTUM SCORE : Negative

SMEAR : Moderate number of Gram positive cocci in short chains seen. Moderate number of Gram negative cocci seen. Few Gram negative bacilli & Gram positive rods seen.

ORGANISMS : E.coli (Moderate growth)

ANTIBIOGRAM

SENSITIVE

Colistin
Polymyxin B
Imipenem
Meropenem
Tigecycline
Amikacin
Gentamicin
Netilmicin
Chloramphenicol
Piperacillin+Tazobactam
Cefoperazone+Sulbactam
Cefepime+Tazobactam

MODERATELY SENSITIVE

RESISTANT

Amoxicillin+Clavulanic acid
Co-Trimoxazole
Cefuroxime
Cefixime
Ceftriaxone
Ceftazidime
Cefotaxime
Ciprofloxacin
Levofloxacin

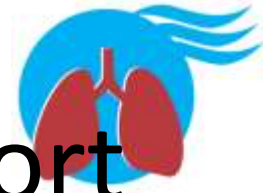
- Strain is ESBL producer.

GENERAL SCORING HELPS IN THE INTERPRETATION OF SPUTUM SMEARS AND CULTURES THIS IS BASED

Discharged on 7 May 2014

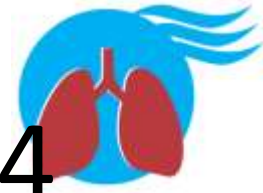


- Inj Streptomycin 750 mg IM **alternate day**
- Tab Isoniazid 200 mg
- Tab Etambutol 800 mg
- Tab Moxiflox 400 mg 1 od
- Eustochole / Levarecetam / Hepamerz / Duphalac



AFB Culture and Sensitivity Report

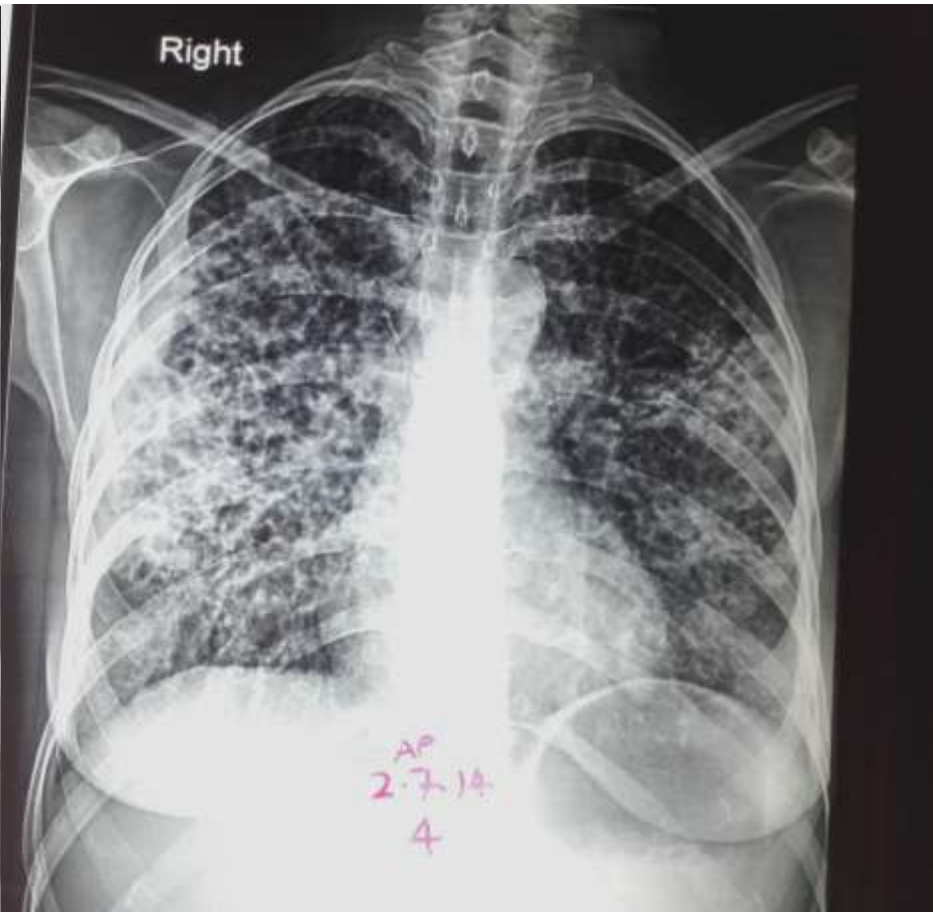
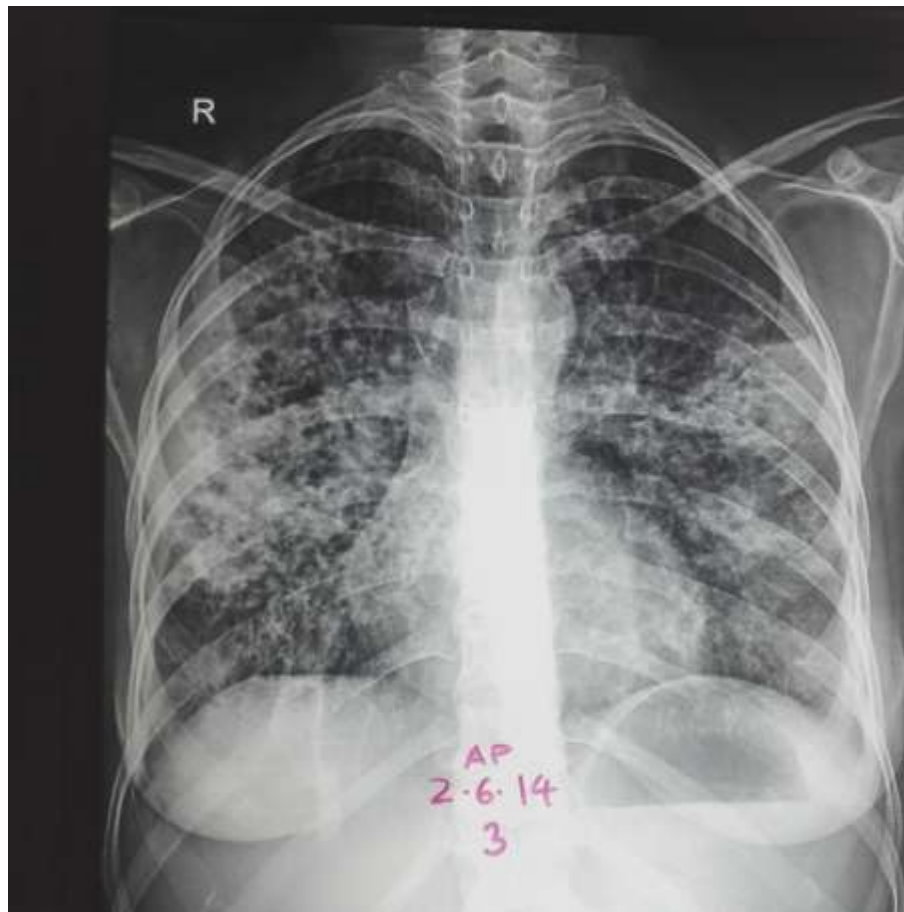
- (In 3 weeks)
- Culture Positive for MTB Complex
- 2 weeks later (after culture positive)
- AFB Sensitivity report
 - AFB Sensitive to**
 - ISONIZID
 - STREPTOMYCIN
 - RIFAMPICIN
 - EHTAMBUTOL



OPD follow up : June- July 2014

- Wt : 29 kg
- INH : 300 & 150 alt day
- EMB : 600 mg
- RFM : 300 mg 1 od
- Moxi 400 mg 1 od
- Inj. SM .75 IM alt day
- Livfit/ Livogen/ Betonin/
Rabifine-D/ B-long

- 17-07-2014
- SM omitted
- No weight gain





First week of Aug 2014

- Sputum for AFB 3 days
- report
- G/S and C/S report

Specimen :	Coll.	Result(s)
Day 1	05/08/2014 08:00: Received at Lab	
Day 2	06/08/2014 07:30: Received at Lab	
Day 3	07/08/2014 07:30: Received at Lab	
SPUTUM	05/08/2014 08:00: Received at Lab	
Test Parameter		
AFB Smear (3 days) - ZN stain		
*Specimen		Sputum
AFB Direct smear (Day 1)		Positive (12-15/entire smear)
AFB Concentration (Day 1)		Positive
AFB Direct smear (Day 2)		Positive (3-4 /entire smear)
AFB Concentration (Day 2)		Positive
AFB Direct smear (Day 3)		Positive (3-4/ entire smear)
AFB Concentration (Day 3)		Positive

SPECIMEN	: SPUTUM
PUS CELLS	: 60 - 80/lpf
SPUTUM SCORE	: POSITIVE
SMEAR	: Moderate number of Gram positive cocci in short chains seen. Moderate number of Gram negative bacilli seen. Few Gram positive rods seen.
ORGANISMS	: Klebsiella pneumoniae (Moderate growth)
ANTIBIOGRAM	
<u>SENSITIVE</u>	<u>MODERATELY SENSITIVE</u>
Colistin	Amoxicillin+Clavulanic acid
Polyrhixin B	Ciprofloxacin
Imipenem	Piperacillin+Tazobactam
Meropenem	
Tigecycline	
Levofloxacin	
Amikacin	
Gentamicin	
Netilmicin	
Chloramphenicol	
Cefepime+Tazobactam	
	<u>RESISTANT</u>
	Co-Trimoxazole
	Cefuroxime
	Cefixime
	Ceftriaxone
	Ceftazidime
	Cefotaxime
	Cefoperazone+Sulbactam
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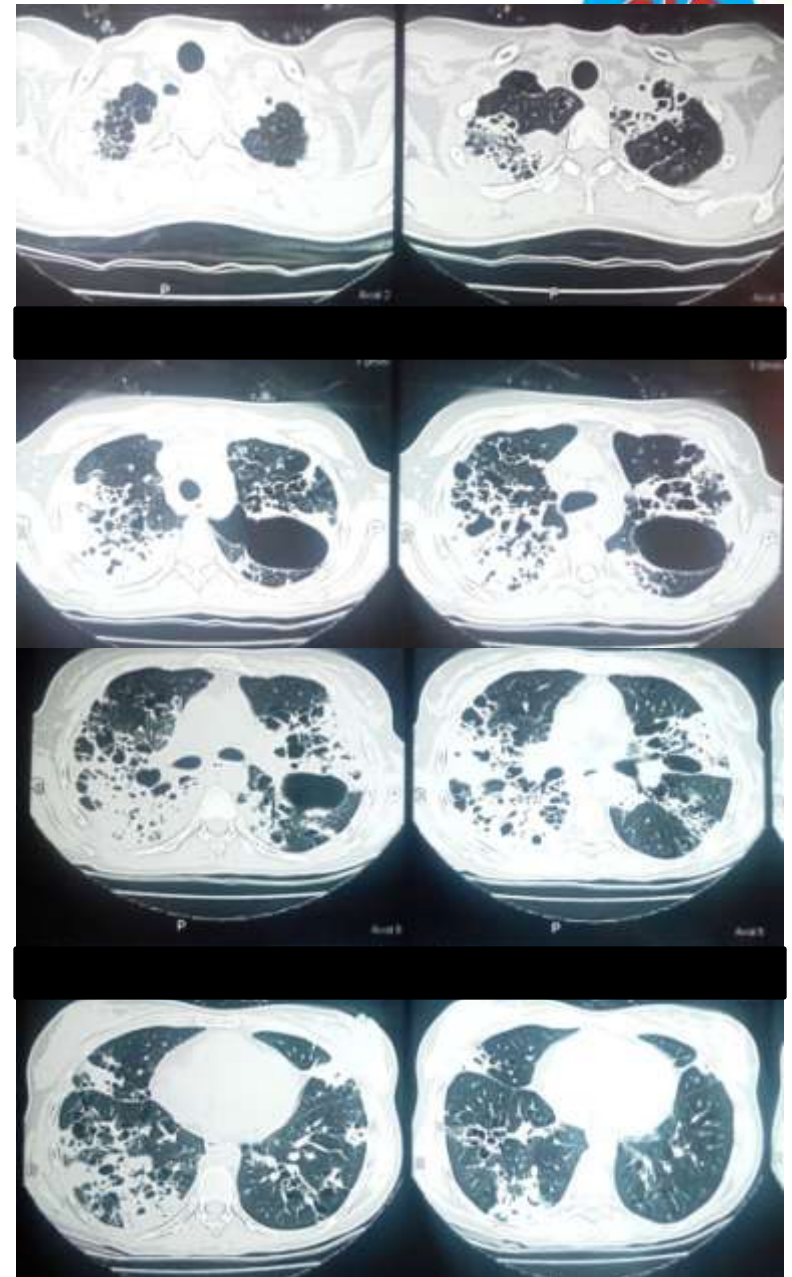
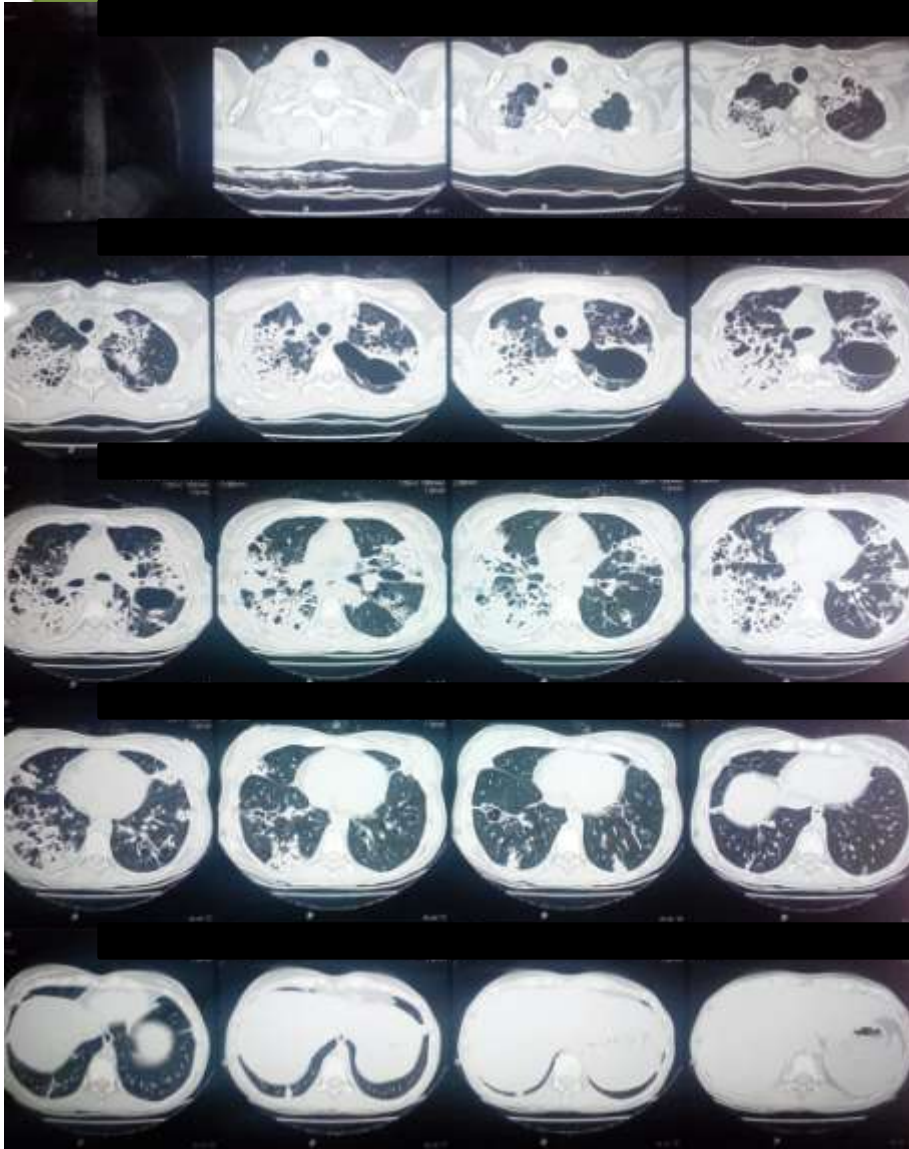
Last week of August 2014



- By Now
- No weight gain
- AFB Positive
- Gram negative bacilli persist
- HRCT Chest Advice and patient referred to me

HRCT Chest

25-Aug-2014





- Seen the patient with all reports and reassessed
- Advised routine hemogram and Ix for Immunodeficiency
- Also did Bronchoscopy



Investigated

Dr. Husein Sigit

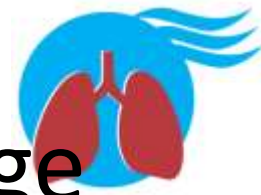
Name : MS. ANCOORALINTYAN Pl. No : 1
 Ref. by : DR. HANCO TIGAH Age / Sex : 29 Year(s) / Female
 Reg. Date : 25/08/2014 12:12 Lab Ref No. : R124558

HAEMATOLOGY

Specimen :	Coll.	Statistical Reference Interval (Adult)
WHOLE BLOOD (EDTA)	25/08/2014 14:35: Hospital Visit	
Red Cell Indices		
Hb	10.4 g/dL	Male: 14 - 17.4 Female: 12.3 - 15.1
HbC	4.75 million	Male: 4.2 - 5.5 Female: 4.7 - 5.5
P.C.V	34.2 %	Male: 41.1 - 50.4 Female: 36 - 47
M.C.V	72.8 fL	84 - 101
M.C.H	21.9 pg	27.5 - 34.2
M.C.H.C	30.4 %	33.4 - 35.5
RDW - SD	45.5 fL	Male: 25.1 - 42.9 Female: 26.4 - 40.2
Total W.B.C.	10460 per cu mm	4800 - 10800
ESR		
ESR	39 mm/hr	Male: 0 - 15 Female: 0 - 20
Platelets		
Platelets	224000 per cu mm	130000 - 400000 per cu mm
W.B.C. differential count		
Polymorphs %	83 %	50 - 70
Lymphocytes %	11 %	20 - 40
Eosinophils %	2 %	1 - 4
Monocytes %	4 %	2 - 10
Polymorphs (Abs. Value)	8682 per cu mm	3800 - 7200
Lymphocytes (Abs. Value)	1151 per cu mm	1000 - 4800
Eosinophils (Abs. Value)	209 per cu mm	500 - 440
Monocytes (Abs. Value)	419 per cu mm	150 - 800
Peripheral smear		
P.S. (Overview)	Mild Microcytosis, Mild Hypochromia, Mild Absolute neutrophilia, Polymorphs show left shift, Mild thrombocytosis likely to be reactive.	
R.S. fluid examination		
Volume (Total)	40 mL	
Count - WBC	1500/mm ³	

BIOCHEMISTRY

Specimen :	Coll.	Statistical Reference Interval (Adult)
SERUM	25/08/2014 14:35: Hospital Visit	
Serum Immunoglobulins		
Serum Ig G	1600 mg/dL	751 - 1560 (Immuno nephelometry)
Serum Ig M	69 mg/dL	46 - 304 (Immuno nephelometry)
Serum Ig A	173 mg/dL	82 - 453 (Immuno nephelometry)



Fiberoptic Bronchoscopy and lavage





BAL fluid sent

SPECIMEN : BAL FLUID

SMEAR : Fair number pus cells seen. Moderate number of Gram positive seen. Few Gram negative bacilli seen.

ORGANISMS : E.coli (Moderate growth)

ANTIBIOGRAM

SENSITIVE

Colistin
Polymyxin B
Imipenem
Meropenem
Tigecycline
Amoxicillin+Clavulanic acid
Amikacin
Gentamicin
Netilmicin
Chloramphenicol
Piperacillin+Tazobactam
Cefoperazone+Sulbactam
Cefepime+Tazobactam

MODERATELY SENSITIVE

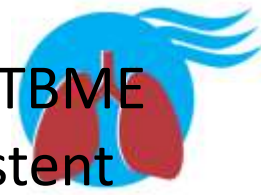
Levofloxacin

RESISTANT

Co-Trimoxazole
Cefuroxime
Cefixime
Ceftriaxone
Ceftazidime
Cefotaxime
Ciprofloxacin

- Strain is ESBL producer.

Microbiological Smear Study....	
TEST	RESULTS
Specimen	BAL FLUID
AFB Concentration (Day 1)	Positive(7-8/entire smear)
Comment	AFB culture put up. Report follows on 15/09/2014.



ANTI TB drugs given for 17 months as patient had possible TBME also apart from extensive PTB. Faropenem given for persistent E.Coli infection

	28-08-14 To 01-11-14 2 months	01-11-14 to 29-01-15 3 months	29-01-15 to 18-06-15 5 months
Weight	34 ---→ 36	36 ---→ 40	40 --→ 44
INH	INH 300	INH 300	INH 300
RFM	RFM 300	RFM 450	RFM 450
EMB	EMB 600	EMB 800	EMB 800
Moxi	Moxi 400	Moxi	
Faropenem	Faropenem		

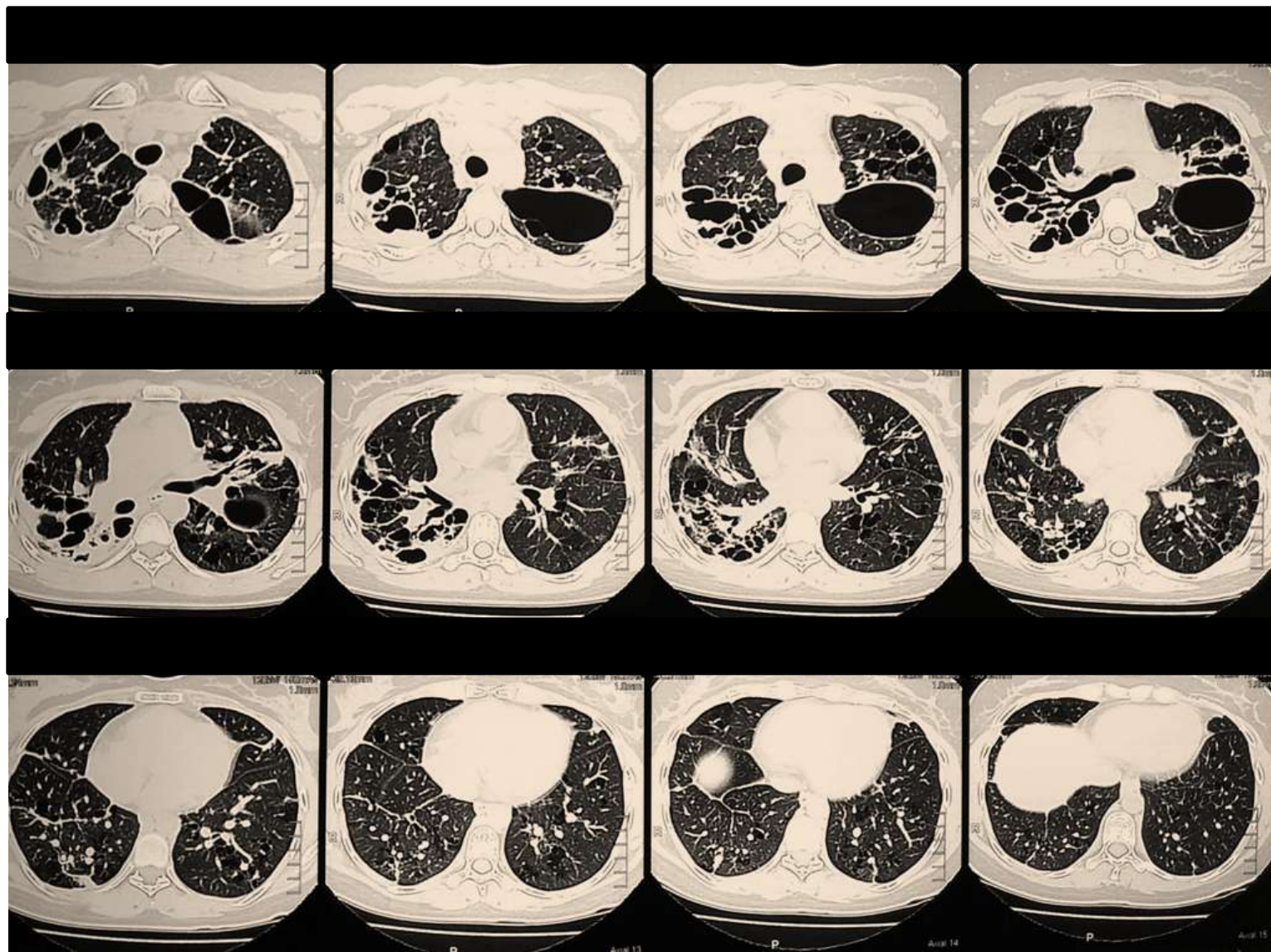


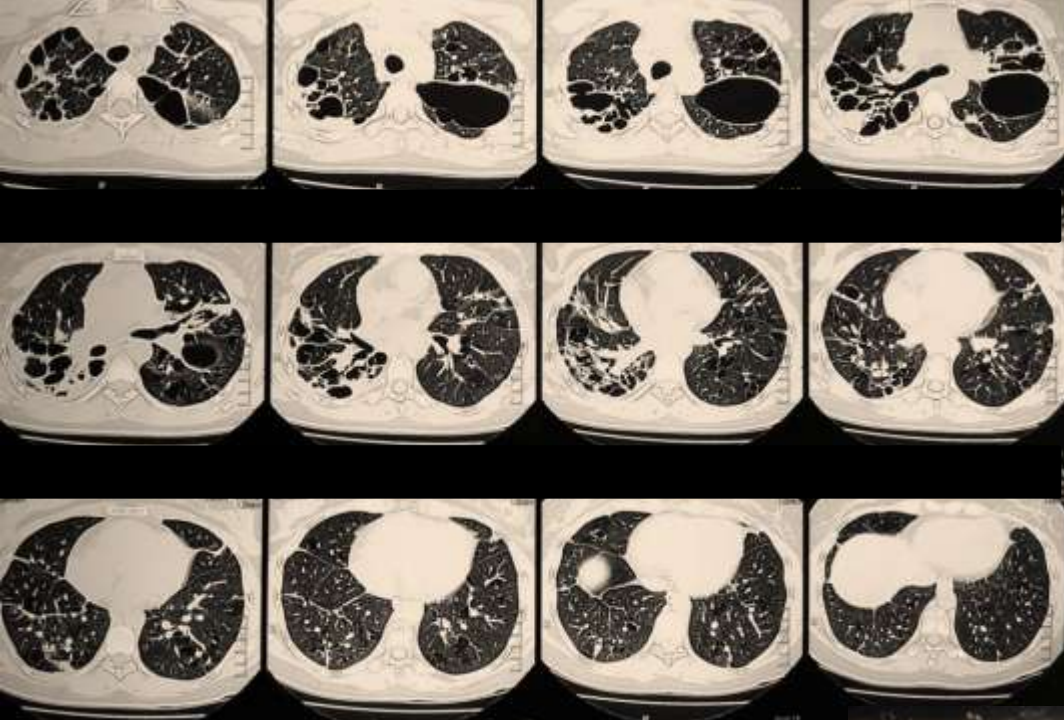
- AFB Culture : No growth
- HRCT chest advised in June 2015



HRCT

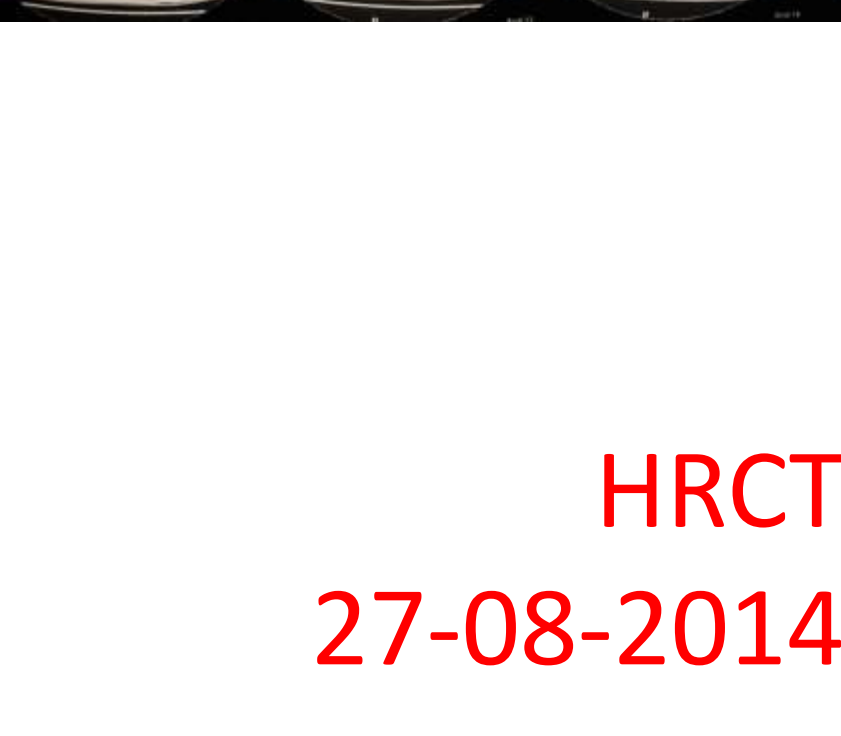
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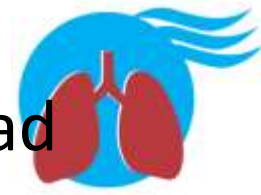
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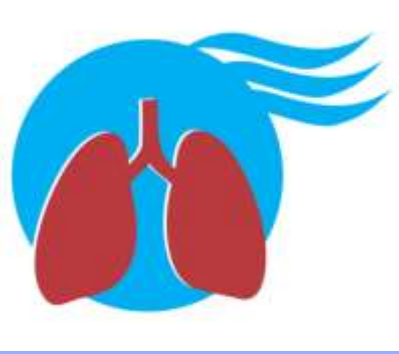
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Weight	34 ---→ 36	36 ---→ 40	40 --→ 45	45 --→ 49	
INH	INH 300	INH 300	INH 300	INH 300	STOP AKT
RFM	RFM 300	RFM 450	RFM 450	RFM 450	
EMB	EMB 600	EMB 800	EMB 800	EMB 800	
Moxi	Moxi 400	Moxi			
Faropenem	Faropenem				



Case 2

Case 2:



- 18 year old boy
- Dry Cough for 2 months
- Associated Fever
- Chest pain while coughing
- On treatment from GP for last 25 days, for RTI with raised TC

- 14-03-2013
- Consulted Physician
- Pulse : 114
- BP : 130/80
- Weight : 54 kg
- R/S : AEBE
- Chest X ray advised



- Prescribed (Day 1)
- Tab Tetracox : 1---0---1
- Tab Levofloxacin 250
1---0---1
- Tab PCM 500 : 1---0---1
- Tab Izra 20 : 1---0---1
- Liq Phensedyl : 1---1---1



2nd Visit (Day 7) :- 21-03 :

- PR : 134 ; SpO₂ : 94%, BP : 120/80, Wt.: 52.7 kg
 - Tab Tetracox : 1 BD for 15 days
 - Levoflox OMITTED

3rd Visit (Day 18) :- 01- 04 : Fever with rigors , Wt : 51 kg

- Stopped Tetracox , Started AKT-3 : for 15 days
- Tab Ranidom, Liq. Elixir : for 15 days
- Inj. Kanamycin .75 mg alternate day for 7 days
- Tab Moxifloxacin 400 mg 1 od for 5 days



- 4th Visit (Day 28) 11-04: Wt. 50 kg
 - AKT-3 : for 20 days
 - Inj. Kanamycin 0.5 mg alt day for 7 doses

- 5th Visit (Day 46) 29-04 : Wt : 49 kg
 - AKT-3
 - Inj. Kanamycin 0.5 mg alt day
 - Tab Levofloxacin 250 mg 1 BD
 - Tab Ranidom, Tab PCM, Liq Elixir
 - Referred to DTC for possible MDR TB



June 2013



13-06-2013 (Day 60)

- Wt : 43.9 kg
- Acute onset right side chest pain and breathlessness
- Chest X ray : : Right HPT
- Adv: DTC reference and admission
- Patient went to Surat :

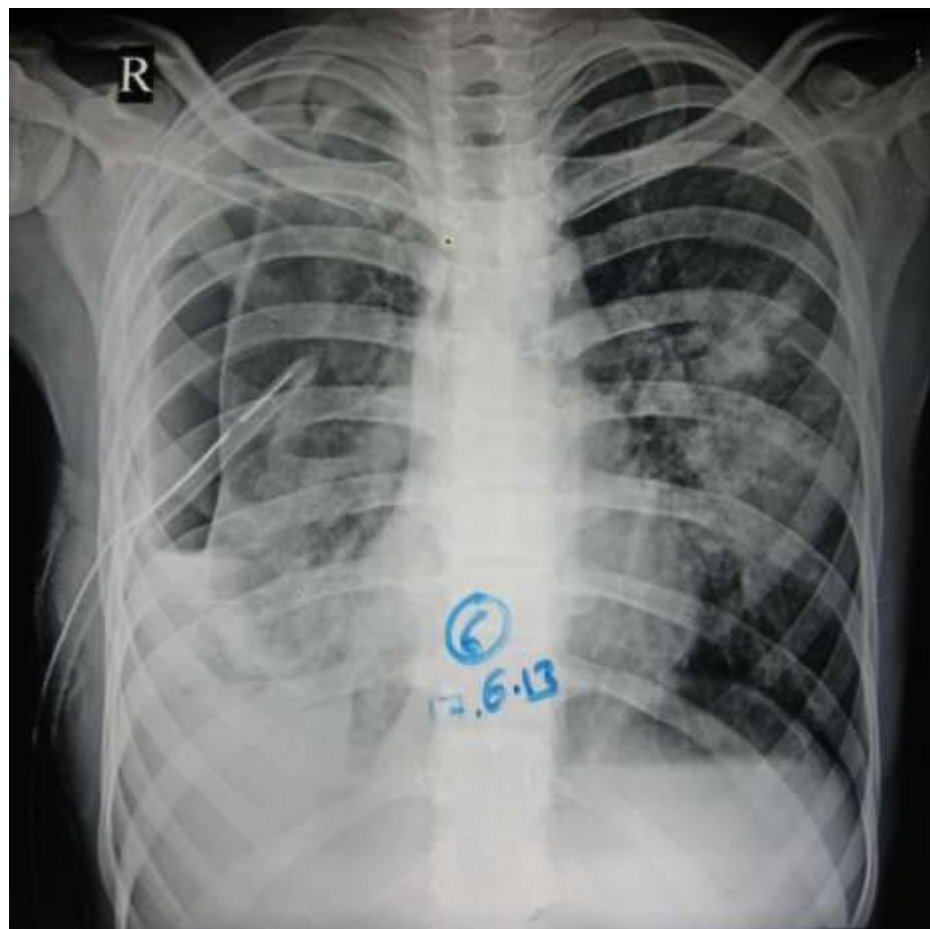


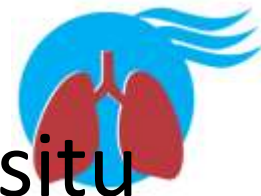


Serial Chest X ray at Surat

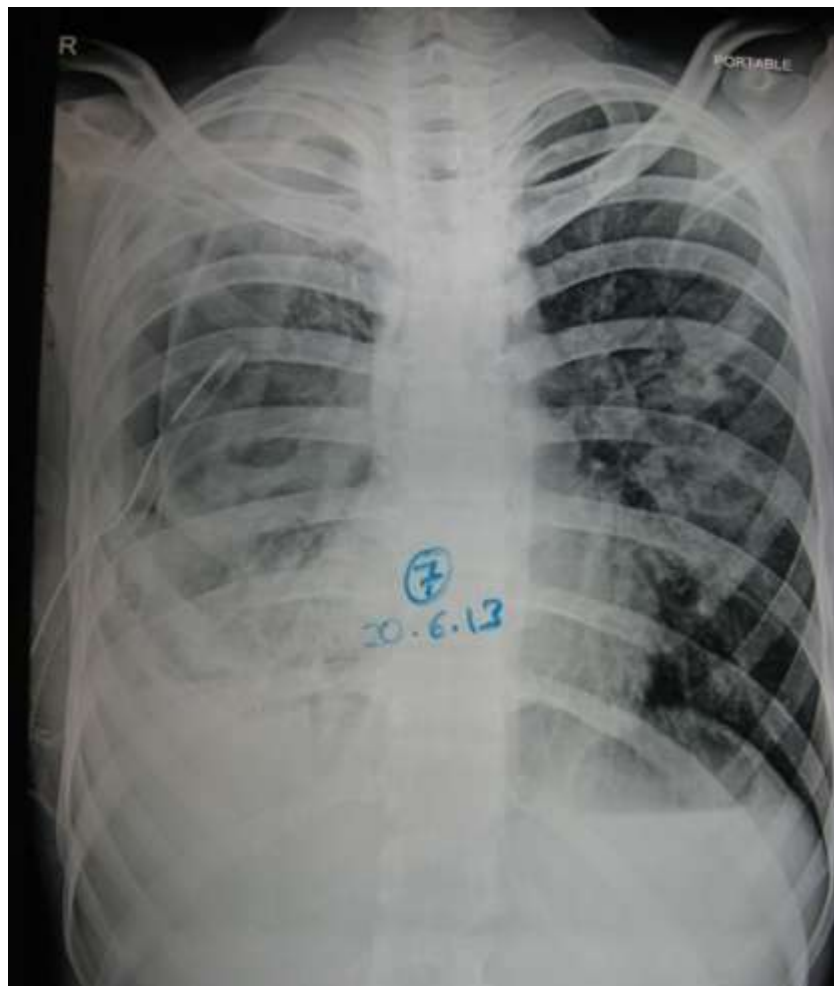
- Admitted from 14 Jun to 20 Jun in Surat
- ICD Tube was inserted and AKT and antibiotics given :
- **Labelled as MDR TB**







Discharged on 6th day with ICD Tube in situ



: Inj. Kanama(500 mg) IM OD
Tab. B-Complex 1 - 0 - 0
Tab. Rablet D (20 mg) 1 - 0 - 0
Tab. Ethiomine (250 mg) 1 - 1 - 1
Tab. Levomac (750 mg) 1 - 0 - 0
Tab. Monopas (1 gm) 3 - 3 - 3
Tab. PZA CIBA (750 mg) 1 - 0 - 1
Tab. Dynapar 1 - 0 - 1
Tab. Ondem MD (4 mg) 1tab (SOS) IF Von
Tab. Dolo (650 mg) 1tab. (SOS) IF Fever



Follow up at 7 days



- ICD Tube removed

40 days after tube removal



- Chest X ray in September 2013

Hb : 12.7

WBC : 11,500

P-64; L-27; E-04; M-05

Platelet : 4,33,000

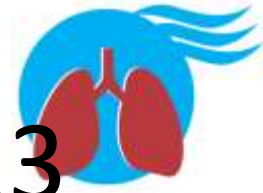
HRCT Chest advised





CT chest

- Moderate amount of free fluid noted in rt. Costophrenic recess with thickened visceral and parietal pleura, p/o loculated pleural effusion
- Ill defined branching centrilobular nodules in apicopost and ant seg of LUL, apical, anterobasal, lateral basal seg of LLL and post seg of RUL and apical and poster basal seg of RLL
- Collapse consolidated lateralbasal seg of RLL
- Few small LN in both axilla



ICD Tube Inserted : 14 Sep 2013



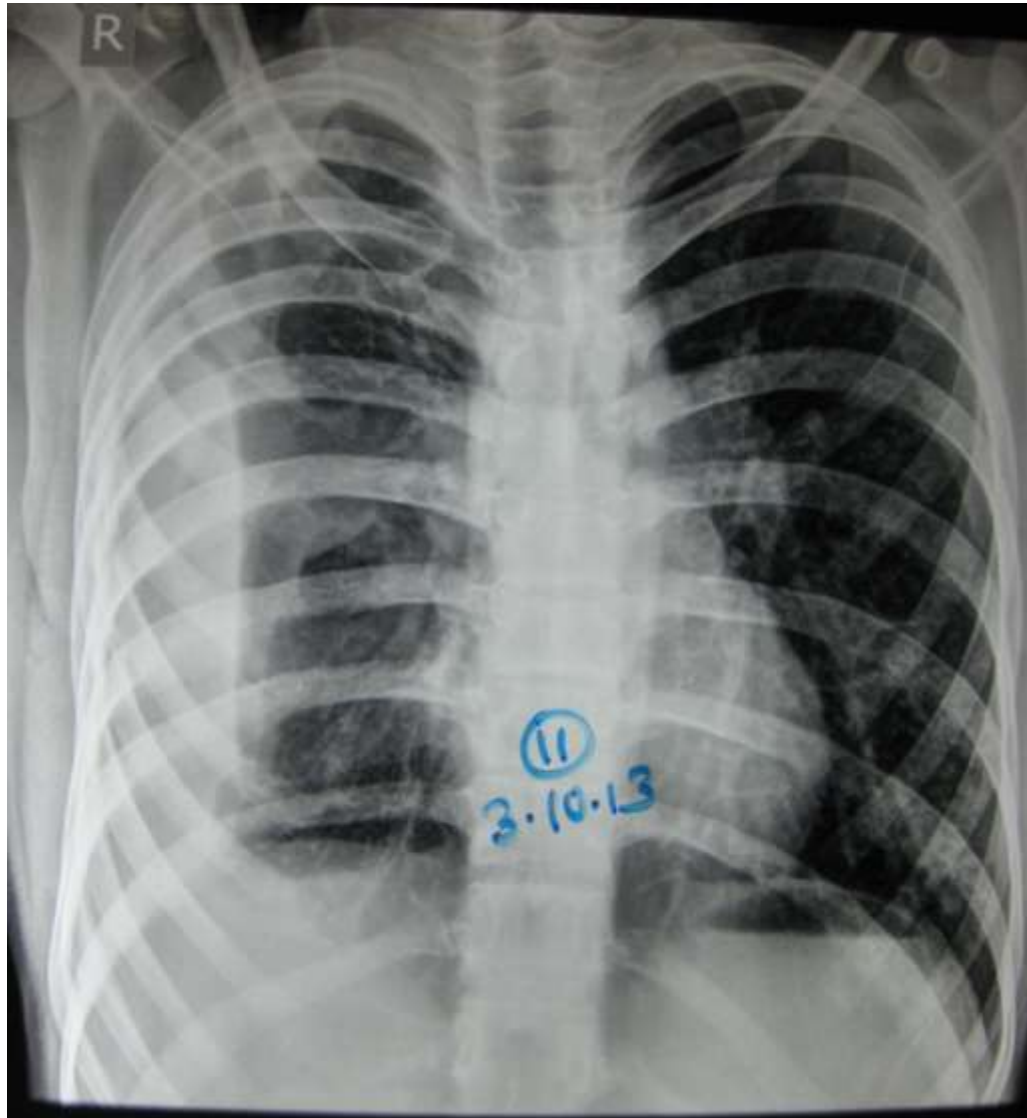
- Pleural Fluid :
 - Turbid
 - Protein: 5.4
 - Cells : Suppurative debris
 - No organisms detected
 - AFB Not detected

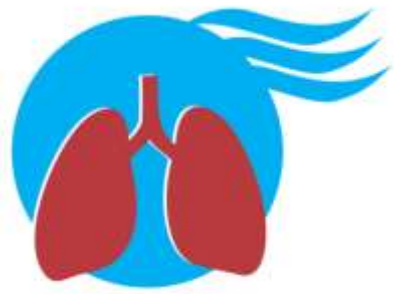
ICD Tube removed on 4th Day



Treatment on Discharge (17th Sept 2013)

- Inj. Kanamac 750 mg IM daily
- Tab Linezolid 600 mg 1 od
- Tab Ethionamide 250 mg 1 tds
- Tab Levofloxacin 750 mg 1 od
- Tab Coxerin 250 mg 1 bd
- Tab Pantoprazole 20 mg





Nov 2013



15-11-2013

- Inj. Kanamac 750 mg IM daily
- Tab Linezolid 600 mg 1 od
- Tab Ethionamide 250 mg 1 tds
- Tab Levofloxacin 750 mg 1 od
- Tab Coxerin 250 mg 1 bd
- CVTS Opinion for decortication advised





- Hb : 10.3
 - WBC : 8,300
 - P-73; L-19; E-03; M-05
 - Platelet : 4,34,000
- Pleural Fluid :
 - No Organism
 - No AFB
 - Debris
 - Predominantly Polymorphs
 - Protein 5.9
 - Sugar 13.6
 - Few RBC

5 days later ICD Tube removed



On Discharge

- Inj. Kanamycin 750m mg IM od
- Tab Linezolid 600 mg 1 od
- Tab Ethionamid 250 mg 1 tds
- **Tab Moxifloxacin 400 mg 1 od**
- Tab Ranitidine 1 bd
- Tab Esomeprazole 1bd
- Tab Dan –P 1 sos



By Now

- 9 months of AKT
- In 2nd month: Diagnosed as MDR TB with empyema
 - (No report available for labelling MDR TB)
- Second line AKT for 7 months
 - Kanamycin, Ethionamide, Cycloserine, PAS, Quinolone
- ICD Tube inserted : 3 times
- AFB never was positive
- Pleural fluid : inconclusive
- Patient had severe gastritis and also depression with phobias of being attacked
- Advised CVTS opinion decortication
- Weight loss from 54 kg to 49 kg

Consulted me in Nov 2013



- Cough
- Epigastric tenderness
- Anorexia
- Fever

- Wt.: 49 kg





Got admitted from 19 to 24 Dec 2013

- Fiberoptic Bronchoscopy and bronchial lavage done
- Copious secretions in RLL , esp. apical segment





Bronchial Lavage

SPECIMEN : BAL FLUID

SMEAR : Moderate number of pus cells seen. Occasional Gram positive cocci seen. Few Gram negative bacilli seen.

ORGANISMS : Klebsiella pneumoniae (Moderate growth)

ANTIBIOGRAM

SENSITIVE

Colistin
Polymyxin B
Co-Trimoxazole
Chloramphenicol

MODERATELY SENSITIVE

Tigecycline

RESISTANT

Imipenem
Meropenem
Amoxicillin + Clavulanic acid
Cefuroxime
Cefixime
Ceftriaxone
Ceftazidime
Cephotaxime
Ciprofloxacin
Levofloxacin
Amikacin
Gentamicin
Netilmicin
Piperacillin + Tazobactam
Cefoperazone + Sulbactam
Cefepime + Tazobactam

Specimen.....

Bal fluid

AFB Concentration (Day 1).....

Positive(4-5/entire smear)

Comment

AFB culture put up. Report follows on 10/01/2014.



Pleural Fluid Report

- Next day : Pleural fluid aspirated 80 ml turbid
- No organisms
- No AFB by ZN stain
- No growth on culture

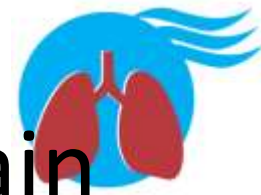




Discharged on 6th day

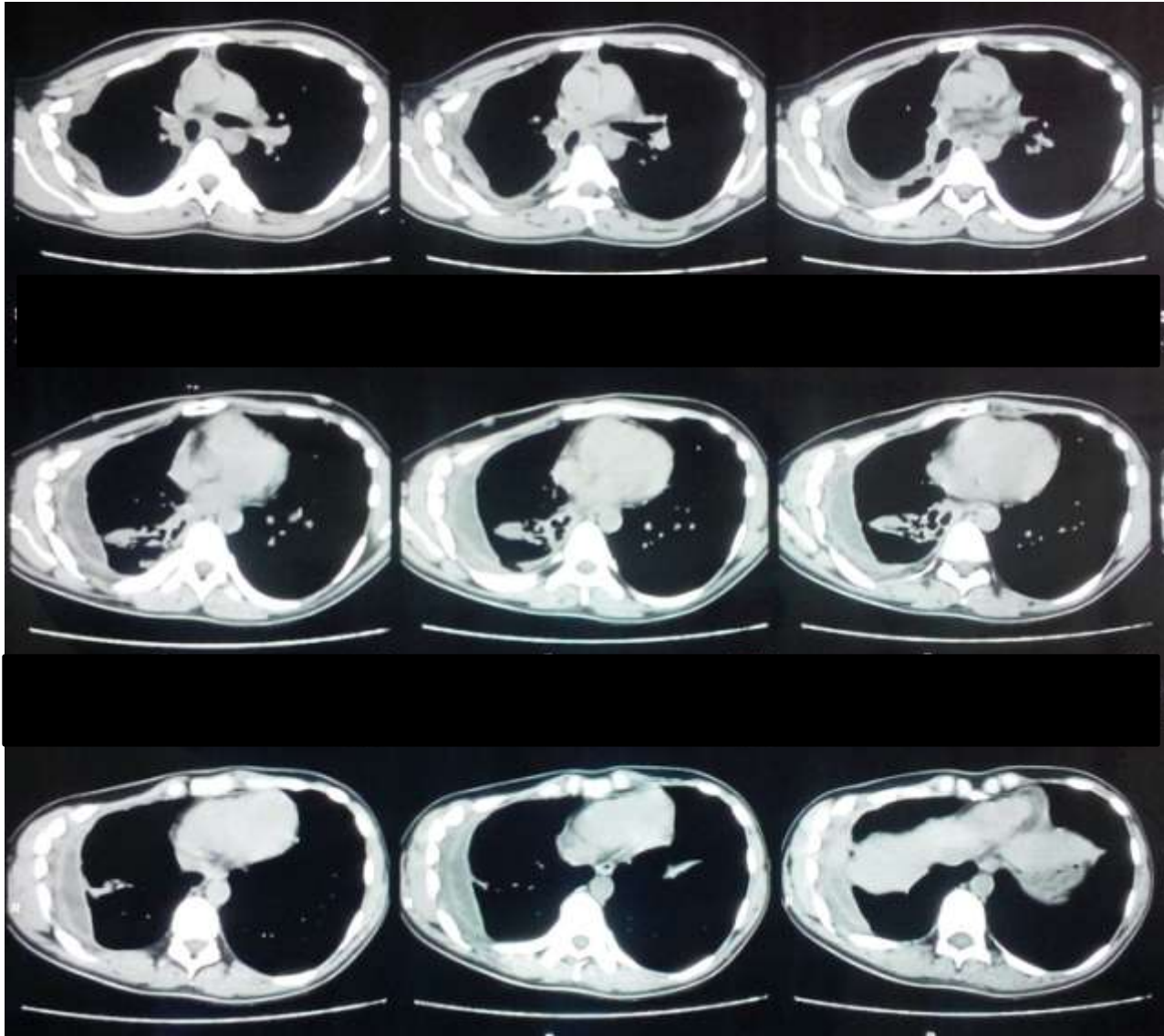
- Treated with
 - HERZ
 - Inj. Amikacin
 - Inj. Piperacillin+Tazo
 - Switched to Inj. Tigycycline for 3 days
 - supportive treatment for gastritis

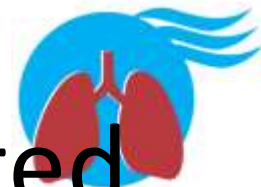
- On Discharge
 - HERZ
 - Tab Chloramphenicol
 - 500 mg tds
 - Supportive MV/BC



15 days later HRCT Chest done again



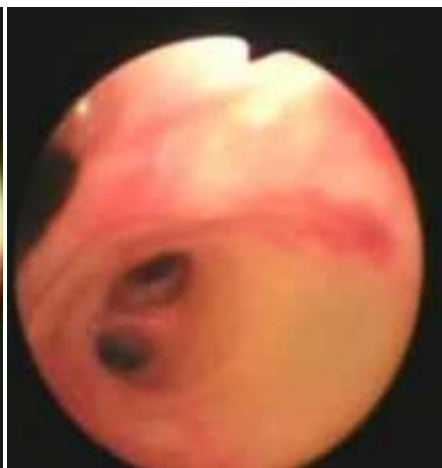




Fiberoptic Bronchoscopy repeated



- Apart from usual lavage, a catheter was inserted into the lower lobe segment and fluid aspirated





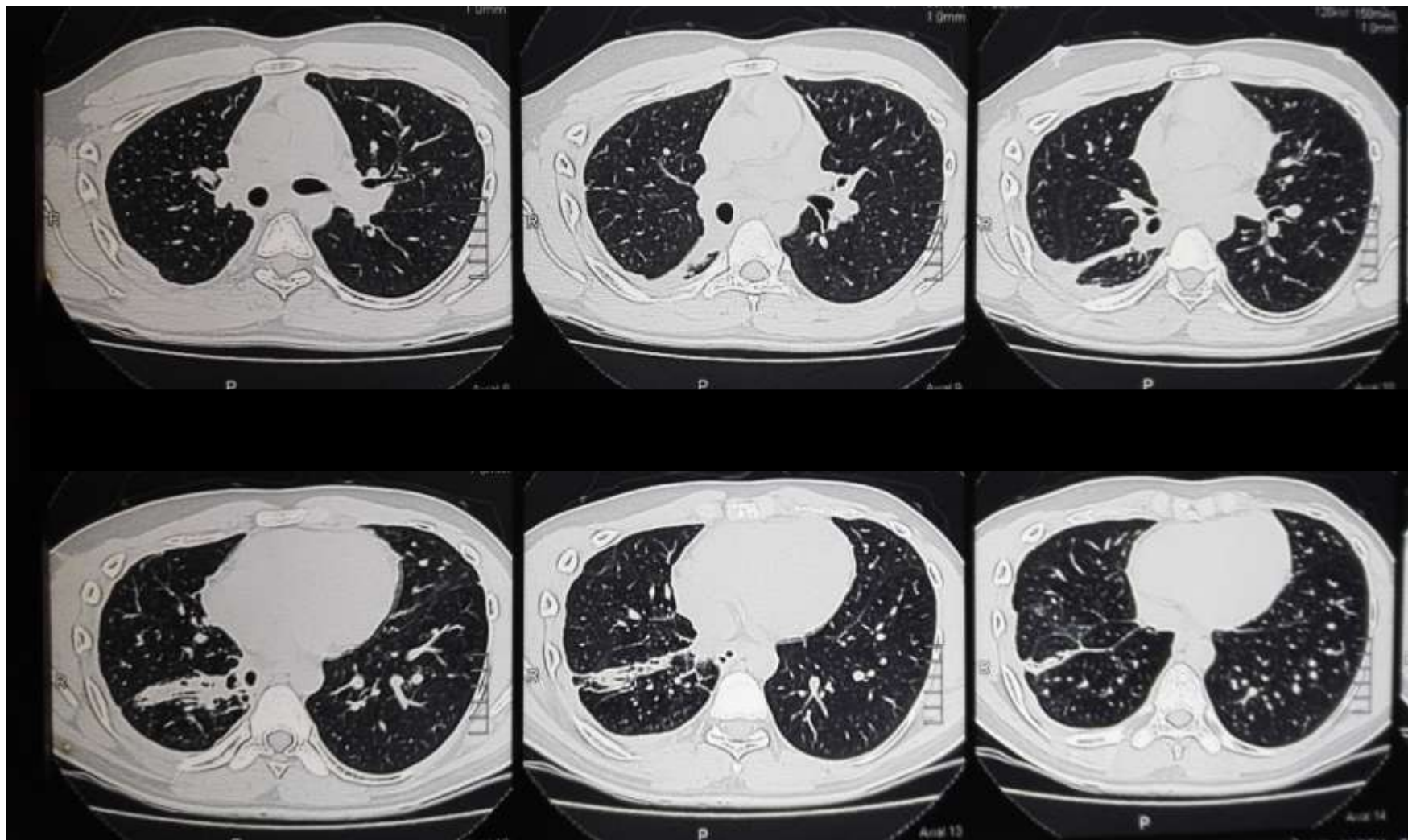
Continued treatment on OPD

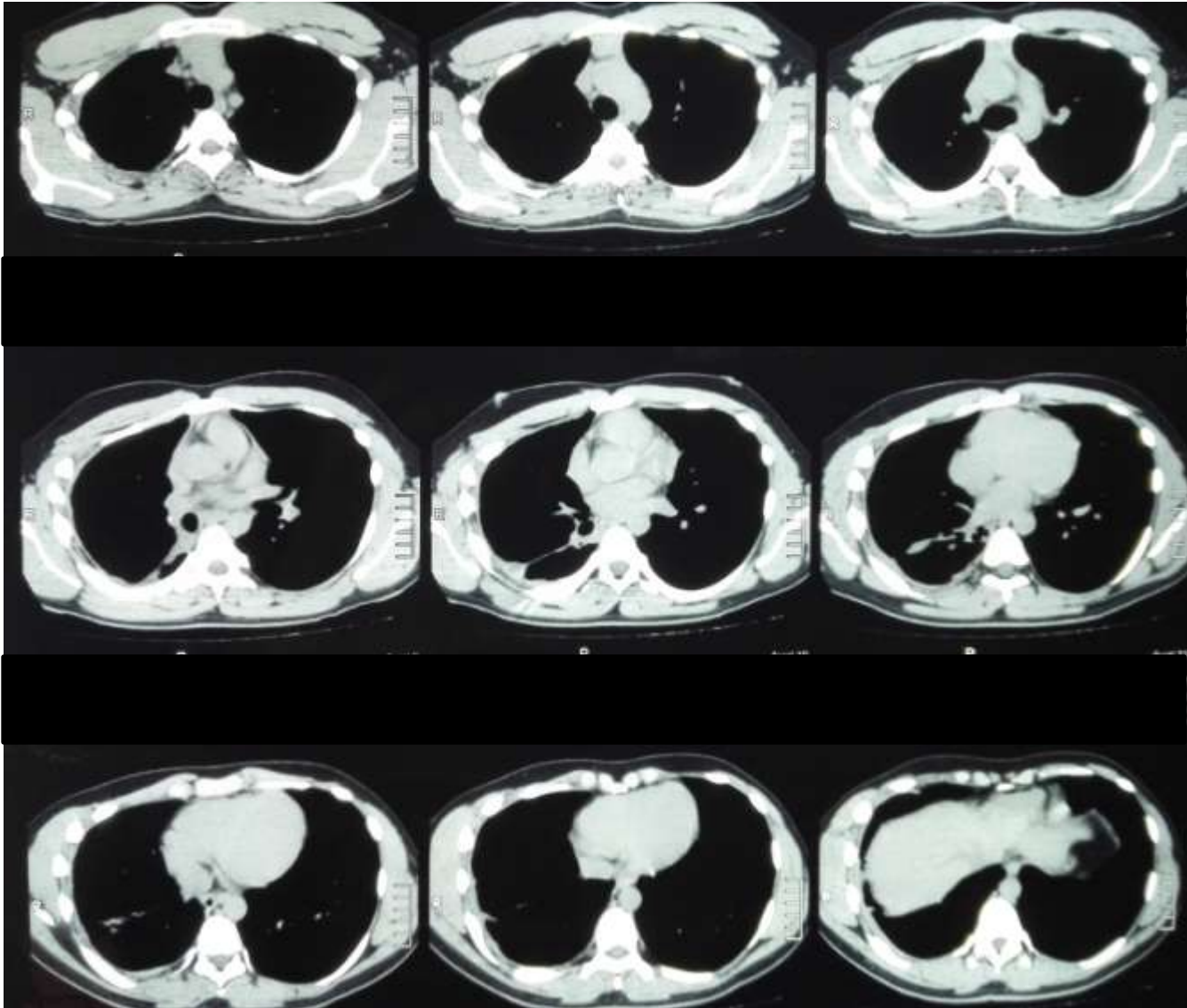


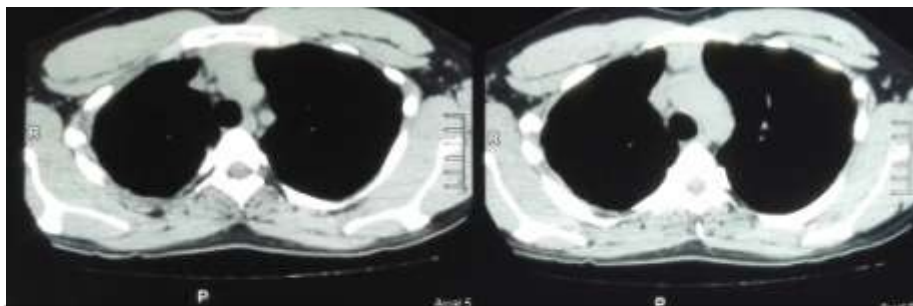
- HERZ
 - Tab Immumod
 - Tab Esomeprazole
 - Nutritious diet
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- Rapid weight gain and good clinical improvement noted.



CT Chest in Oct 2014



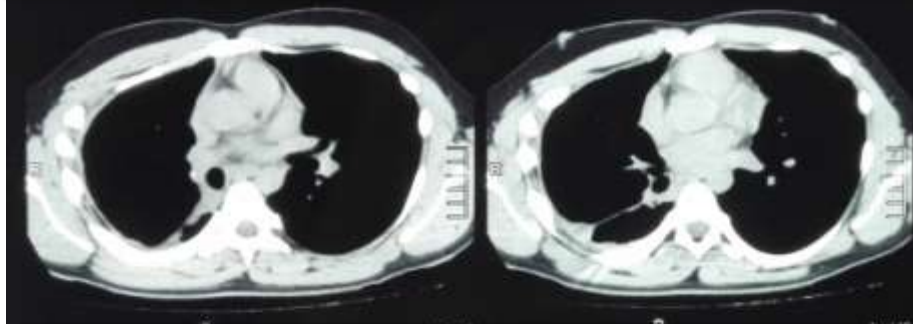




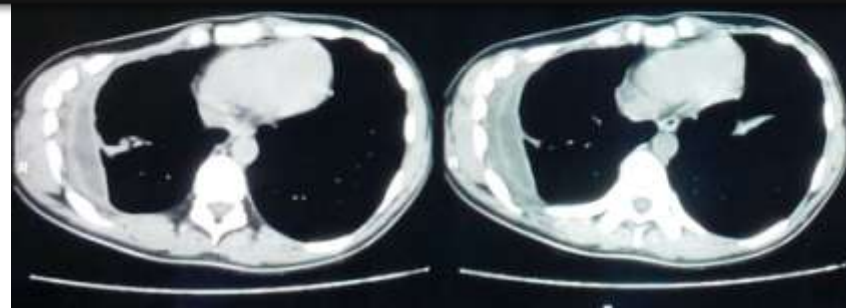
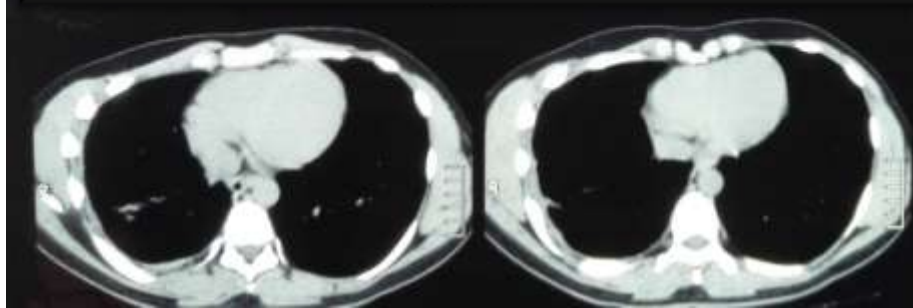
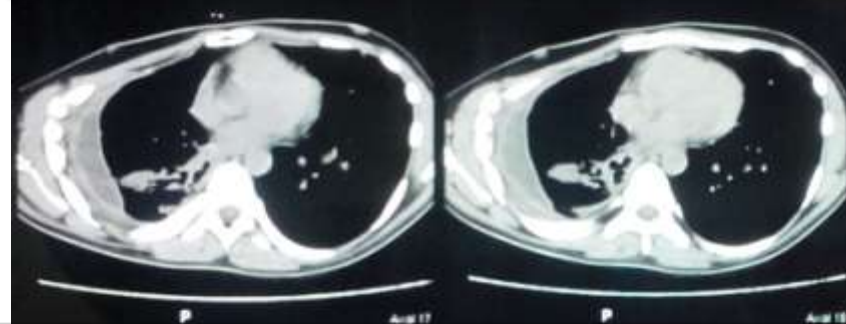
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Pleural thickening GONE





Chest X ray taken before stopping AKT



- No pleural thickening
- No decortication was required.



Remarks

- Both cases were labelled as MDR TB without most basic investigations
- Both cases were complicated with gram negative bacilli.
- Both patients responded well to the first line AKT and other medications



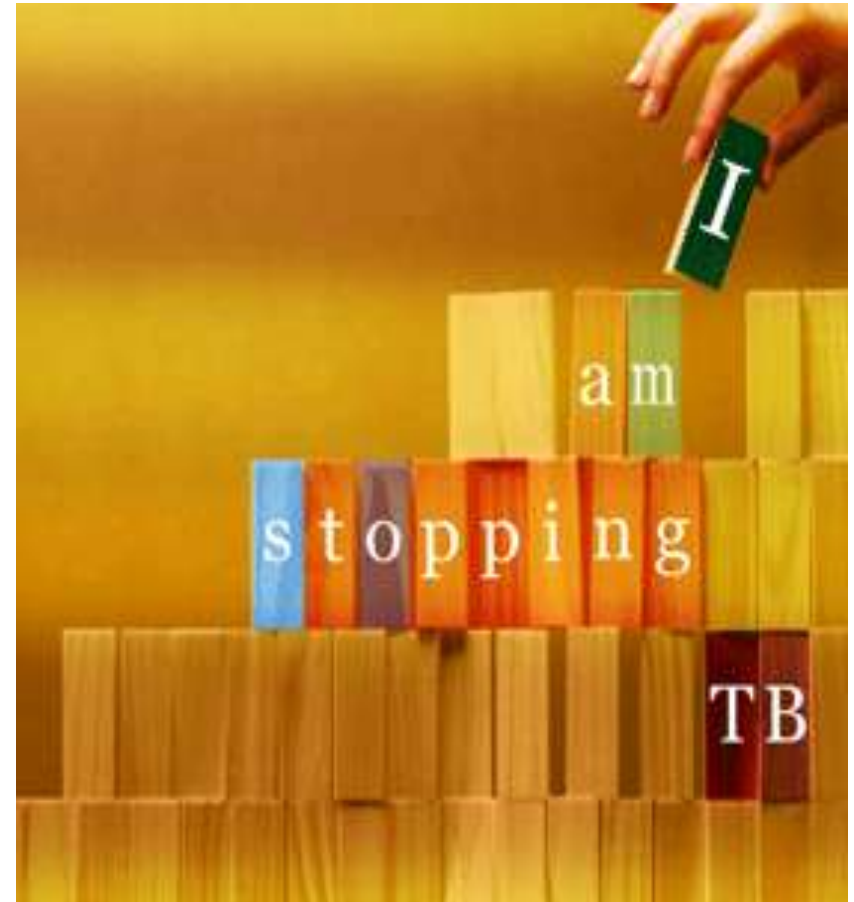
Learning Points

- A patient of Kochs not responding to AKT is not always MDR TB
- Try to rule out common pathogens
- Common pathogens too can be multidrug resistant
- Timely and Judicious use of interventional modalities can change the course of disease and patients life



In conclusion

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