

Liver cancer with huge nasal alar metastasis

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A 29-year-old man was presented to the emergency department with a dull pain in the right upper abdomen for 2 days. He had a history of chronic infection with hepatitis B virus (HBV) for 11 years. The abdominal computed tomography (CT) scan showed multiple low-density nodules fused into a clump, with sizes ranging from approximately 6–13 cm in the left liver. Postoperative pathology confirmed advanced hepatocellular carcinoma with lung metastatic tumors. After 36 months'

systematic treatment, the patient experienced a nasal alar mass growing rapidly (*Figure 1A,B*). The CT scan of the paranasal sinus demonstrated a 33 mm × 24 mm mass on the left nasal alar (*Figure 1C*). The biopsy pathology was consistent with metastatic hepatocellular carcinoma (*Figure 1D*). The patient has received regular chemotherapy with good performance status recently. This is the first case of liver cancer with such a huge nasal alar metastasis.

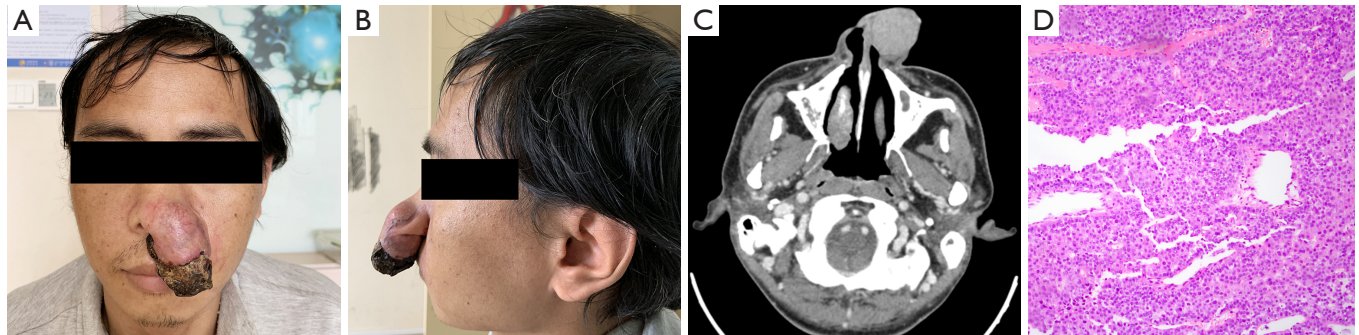


Figure 1 Pictures of nasal alar metastatic mass (A,B); CT scan of the paranasal sinus showing a huge mass on the left nasal alar (C); pathological picture (HE, 100×) of nasal alar biopsy (D).

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