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Clinical Image

Leucocrit-The white face of acute myeloid leukemia

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CASE / Clinical Image

Of a 72-year-old patient who was brought to our emergency room with fever and worsening condition for several weeks. Initial blood count showed a hemoglobin of 48g/L with a hematocrit of 0.14. White blood count was 350G/L and showed severe leukocytosis. Additionally we found thrombocytopenia at 49G/L. As you can see in the image (her blood, after staying 30 minutes in a edta tube) there is a massive widening to 0.32 (normally up to 0.01) of the «leukocrite» (the white part of the pillar) after sedimentation.

The patient was later diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia and unfortunately couldn't be saved.



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