

Erroneous perception of a clinical sign: Sepsis-induced cholestasis mimicking hepatitis in an adolescent patient

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Abstract

Background: In children and adolescents, isolated cholestasis rarely is a first clinical sign of severe sepsis. **Case:** A previously healthy 14-year-old adolescent had severe *S. aureus* sepsis. Delayed diagnosis required a prolonged antimicrobial treatment. **Conclusion:** This unique case illustrates the importance of considering jaundice as an early sign of sepsis.

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