The patient had been seen multiple times by several physicians and still did not have an answer for why she was feeling so terrible. The medical team had a strong suspicion that she had a rheumatological condition but were unable to pinpoint an exact cause. She was admitted to the hospital for testing.

• The fever spontaneously resolved and she began to feel better, but the rash remained.
• A biopsy on the rash was inconclusive.
• Liver function tests were within normal ranges.
• Imaging studies showed no hilar adenopathy or masses, no erosions, joint space narrowing or subluxation.
• Hemoglobin was in normal ranges, but white blood count was slightly above normal ranges and C-Reactive protein was measured at 13.9.
• Tests were negative for ANA, RF, HIV and hepatitis.
• A work-up for anemia showed the patient’s ferritin level was remarkably elevated at 20,965.

**DISCUSSION**

AOSD is a rare rheumatoid disorder with incidence of 1.5/1,000,000, usually affecting young adults 16 to 35. It is a diagnosis of exclusion and should be suspected in patients with appropriate symptoms and negative workup. In a follow-up clinic visit, fever and joint pain were resolved, the patient’s ferritin had trended down and symptoms were improved. The patient was started on an Interleukin-1 inhibitor.

**WHAT HAPPENED NEXT**

• Tests were negative for ANA, RF, HIV and hepatitis.

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Family Medicine (Shreveport, Rural, Alexandria, Monroe)

Residency Programs APPROVED

The following residency programs have recently received “Continued Accreditation” following the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) annual review:

Publications continued


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Neuropsychological Performance

Dr. Bahna Oversees Founding of Allergy/Immunology Specialty in India

About four years ago, Chief of Allergy & Immunology Sam Bahna, MD, first became involved with starting a two-year Allergy/Immunology specialty program in India. The initiative was by one of his former fellows, Dr. Jayesh Kanuga, who is now practicing in New York. Dr. Bahna recently traveled back to the country to check on its progress.

Dr. Bahna was joined on this latest trip by a delegation of presidents and past presidents from the American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology and the American Association of Allergists and Immunologists of India. They met with the Indian Council for Medical Education President who indicated that the program application for the Diploma through the University of Delhi Chest Institute is now in the final stage of approval. They also gave lectures at the VP Chest Institute in Delhi, the King Edward Memorial Hospital Chest Department in Mumbai, and the annual Conference of the National College of Chest Physicians in Aga.

“it is a great privilege to help in initiating the first formal program for Allergy & Immunology specialization in the large Indian subcontinent,” concluded Dr. Bahna. “I was pleased to see it is close to accepting trainees.”