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Title: Exophthalmos in a young woman with no Graves' disease - a case report of IgG4-related orbitopathy

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Line 25: awkward sentence……"to Graves orbitopathy"

Line 29: treated with what?

Line 35: you mean no presence of TSH receptor antibodies?

Line 68: what does the detailed eye examination look for?

Line 82: might state how imaging helps distinguish

Lines 89-92: what is the evidence to support these statements?


Line 158: dacryoadenitis. This is not a radiographic diagnosis. This condition does not usually respond to steroid drops

Line 167: don't need to specify details of the Hertel

Line 176: what are the typical features?

Line 181: glands? Both sides biopsied?

Line 188: what is a skin rush?
Line 196: symptoms

Line 225: the reference describing bone destruction has one case and this one case had saddle nose deformity. It is well known that granulomatosis with polyangiitis can destroy bone, give a saddle nose and also stain positively for IgG4. Bone destruction would make this reviewer think of a disease other than IgG4


This is an interesting article that could be shortened considerably. It is also largely confirmatory of what has already been published

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