Endobronchial Tuberculosis: A Case Report

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Abstract
Pulmonary tuberculosis (PTB) is endemic in Hong Kong. Endobronchial tuberculosis (EBTB) occurs in 30% to 60% of children with PTB. The treatment of EBTB is different from PTB without endobronchial involvement as systemic steroid is required. We report a 20-month-old boy who presented with a two-day history of cough and shortness of breath and was subsequently diagnosed to have EBTB by flexible fibreoptic bronchoscopy. He was treated with standard anti-tuberculosis drugs plus steroid and recovered after 6 months of treatment. (HK J Paediatr (new series) 2005;10:59-61)

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