Teaching NeuroImages: Neurocysticercosis with subretinal cyst

A 30-year-old woman presented with headache and diminution of vision of 2 weeks’ duration. Visual acuity was finger counting at 1 meter in the right eye. Fundus examination showed a subretinal cyst (figure 1A). Neurologic examination was normal. Neuroimaging revealed neurocysticercosis (figure 2A). Ultrasound orbit showed subretinal cysticercosis (figure 2B). The patient was started on steroids and laser photocoagulation was recommended.

Cysts usually present in the subretinal space or vitreous cavity; the probable mechanism is migration through choroidal vasculature. Neurologists need to be aware of this masquerading condition and fundus evaluation is mandatory before starting albendazole therapy, as it is contraindicated in subretinal cysts due to risk of further deterioration of vision.1,2

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