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# A CASE OF OP POISIONING DIAGNOSED AS ACHONDROPLASIA WITH SEVERE CALCIFIED AORTIC STENOSIS

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### **ABSTRACT**

## **Background**

**Introduction:** Achondroplasia is a genetic disorder characterized by abnormal bone growth, leading to disproportionate short stature. It is the most common form of dwarfism, with an incidence of approximately 1 in 15,000 to 40,000 live births.

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**Etiology and Genetics:** Achondroplasia is caused by mutations in the FGFR3 gene, which encodes the fibroblast growth factor receptor 3. This gene mutation is autosomal dominant, meaning only one copy of the altered gene is sufficient to cause the disorder. Most cases (about 80%) result from de novo mutations, where there is no family history of the condition.

### **Pathophysiology**

The FGFR3 mutation leads to an abnormality in the development and maintenance of bone and brain tissue. FGFR3 normally regulates bone growth by limiting the formation of bone from cartilage, especially in the long bones. The mutation causes this regulation to go away, resulting in the characteristic shortened limbs and other skeletal abnormalities.

## **Clinical Features**

Individuals with achondroplasia have a distinctive appearance marked by.

- Disproportionately short stature, with an average adult height of around 4 feet.
- Short arms and legs, particularly the upper arms and thighs.
- Large head size with a prominent forehead (frontal bossing).
- Midface hypoplasia with a flattened nasal bridge.
- Spinal abnormalities, including lordosis and kyphosis.

Additional complications can include ear infections, sleep apnea, obesity, and spinal stenosis, which can cause pain and neurologic symptoms.

Diagnosis is primarily clinical, based on characteristic physical features. Genetic testing can confirm the presence of FGFR3 mutations. Prenatal diagnosis is possible through ultrasound and genetic testing if there is a known risk.

## CASE PRESENTATION

A 52 year old male patient from meerut city, up presented to lokpriya hospital with a/h/o ingestion of op compound with vomiting, salivation, shortness of breath since 1 day; clinical finding suggestive of op poisoning and managed conservatively. routine blood investigations and workup was done and was within normal range.

## ON PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Patient was short statured with height-104 cm, arm span-145 cm, weight of the patient was 42 kg; ap diameter of chest- 12 cm, transverse diameter of chest- 18 cm; b/l chest expansion was reduced clinically diagnosis was made of achondroplasia Radiological imaging(chest x-ray) was done which showed cardiomegaly, both domes and on examination incidental murmur was detected in aortic area which was radiating to right carotid suggestive of valvular heart disease; to confirm it 2d echo was done which revealed severe calcific aortic stenosis.

## **CONCLUSION**

This case highlights the importance of early diagnosis and multidisciplinary care in managing achondroplasia. With appropriate medical support, individuals with achondroplasia can lead healthy, productive lives.

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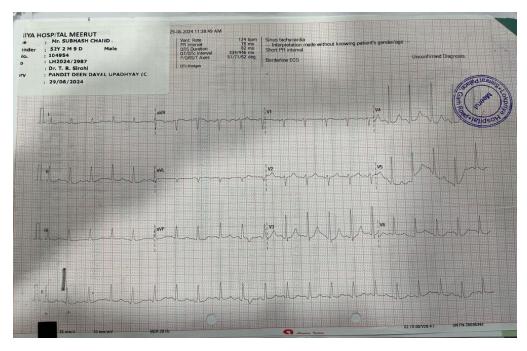
Ongoing research into targeted therapies may offer new treatment options in the future.

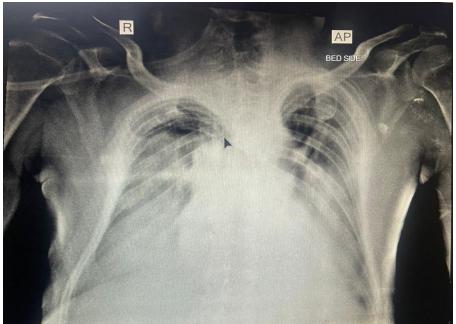
### DISCUSSION

Achondroplasia requires a comprehensive management approach due to the potential complications such as cardiovascular disease such as calcific aortic stenosis, spinal stenosis, obstructive sleep apnea, and recurrent ear infections. The patient's cognitive development was normal, consistent with typical findings in achondroplasia. Early intervention and

regular follow-up are critical to managing potential complications and supporting optimal growth and development.

This case underscores the variability of clinical manifestations in achondroplasia and the importance of considering additional genetic factors in atypical presentations. The presence of calcific aortic stenosis, severe thoracolumbar kyphosis, early-onset osteoarthritis, and hearing impairment necessitates a broader diagnostic approach and individualized management plan.







## CONCLUSION

This rare case of achondroplasia with unusual clinical features highlights the complexity of the condition and the necessity for a multidisciplinary approach to management. Further research into genetic modifiers may provide insights into the variability of phenotypic expressions in achondroplasia.

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