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Amebic liver abscess and liver cirrhosis
A 65-year-old man, had a history of alcoholic liver cirrhosis presented with a four-week history of abdominal pain and a tender, nonerythematous mass (7 by 5 cm) in the right upper quadrant. He had a temperature of 38.3°C, a leukocyte count of 18200 per cubic millimeter, and abnormal liver-function tests: protein 4.9 g/dL, albumin 1.7 g/dL, total bilirubin 8.2 mg/dL, conjugated 6.5 mg/dL, Alkaline phosphatase 1068 U/liter, Aspartate aminotransferase 216 U/liter, Alanine aminotransferase 339 U/liter. A computed tomographic (CT) scan showed an abscess in the right lobe of the liver. The patient died and the pathological diagnostic was performed. Although it has been suggested that liver cirrhosis and amebic liver abscess might occur as separate clinical entities in the practice. In the present report both entities occurred simultaneously in the same patient.

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