SOFT-TISSUE CASE 33. PRESENTATION

A 29-year-old patient presents with hypercalcemia. Radiographs of skull (Fig. 1), fingers (Fig. 2) and shoulder (Fig. 3) are obtained.

What is your diagnosis?

For the diagnosis and discussion see page 179.
SOFT-TISSUE CASE 33. DIAGNOSIS

HYPERPARATHYROIDISM

A parathyroid adenoma was found on ultrasonography. The radiographs show the classic signs:
- distal tuftal resorption
- “salt and pepper” appearance of the skull
- distal clavicular bone resorption
- subperiosteal lace-like, bone resorption, particularly on the radial aspect of the middle phalanges (see Fig. 2, page 171).

Reference


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