

PRIMARY PULMONARY HIGH GRADE NON-HODGKIN'S LYMPHOMA IN AN ELDERLY PATIENT. A CASE REPORT

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An 82-year-old non-smoker female was admitted with cough, fever and poor general health. Radiological examination revealed a right parahilar mass and a transbronchial biopsy confirmed the presence of a tumor. Im-

munohistochemical analysis established the diagnosis of high-grade primary pulmonary lymphoma. The rare nature of this disease, its non-specific clinical presentation and particular prognosis, also in elderly patients, are discussed in this article.

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