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## Headache's red flags, case reports from RCH-J

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**Introduction**: Although secondary <u>headache</u> is less common than primary types, it's crucial to search for red flags in signs & symptoms .Both acute onset & chronic headache can be as simple as tension type headache or may be an alarm for a serious medical condition. Our aim in this case reports are to emphasize on red flags in headaches.

**Method**: Retrospective chart review of secondary headache's cases that were referred to <u>Neurolgy</u> service as cases of primary headache followed by a literature review.

**Results**: In the study, total number of patients was ... with 40-70 years. The red flag symptoms were: new onset headache at age > 45 year, persistent on the same site & not responding to acute or prophylactic treatment. Diagnosis was confirmed with brain images: CTA, MRI & MRA, CSF analysis & serological tests. Treatment was initiated & all the patients currently in stable condition.

**Discussion**: In this case reports it was found that <u>red flags</u> are almost similar to previously reported studies in literature.

Conclusion: Early diagnosis leads to early treatment & avoid major complications.

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