

PECULIARITIES OF THE COURSE OF TUBERCULOSIS INFECTION IN HIV-INFECTED AND AIDS PATIENTS

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Summary

In order to investigate the specific features of the course of tuberculosis infection of HIV-infected and AIDS patients, the authors analyzed 58 autopsies (out of 607 autopsies conducted in 3 years — 2006, 2007 and 2008 — at Kherson oblast TB dispensary). In all lethal cases of TB/HIV combination there were no isolated lung lesions. In 44,9 % of cases there were signs of thoracic lymphnodes, liver, kidneys, spleen involvement. In 20% of cases we found specific lesions in intestinal and mesenteric lymphnodes as well. The rest of the cases were those of brain, its membranes and other organ systems lesions, distributed equally. There was registered a pathomorphosis of mycobacterial infestation on the background of immunodeficiency, e.g. atypical morphology of tuberculosis leptomeningitis, lesions in kidney parenchyma and intestine.