

DIAGNOSTIC PROBLEMS OF ACUTE RESPIRATORY DISTRESS SYNDROME

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Summary

The analysis of quality of acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) diagnostics, conducted in 89 cases, based on clinical and morphology features, at healthcare facilities revealed its insufficient level. The pathomorphological conclusion in ARDS cases should be based on detection of clinical signs in medical records and on spotting of such a manifesting complex of signs as hyaline membranes, alveolar macrophages, intra-alveolar serous and fibrinous exudation in histologic specimens. The hyaline membranes alone cannot be considered as ARDS pathognomonic symptom.