## **PULMONARY EOSINOPHILIA: EOSINOPHILIC PNEUMONIA**

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Abstract

Pulmonary eosinophilia defines a group of diseases and syndromes, characterized by appearance of eosinophilic macro- and microinfiltrates in bronchi and lung parenchyma, associated with blood eosinophilia.

The migrant pulmonary infiltrates were first described by W. Loffler in 1932. Later this complex became known as PIE-syndrome (pulmonary infiltration with eosinophilia) or simple pulmonary eosinophilia. Today, acute and chronic eosinophilic pneumonia, hypereosinophilic asthma and other types of pulmonary eosinophilia with asthma syndrome are distinguished. A number of diseases and syndromes have been reported, where pulmonary eosinophilia was a reflection systemic vasculitis with multiple organ involvement (periarteriitis nodosa, Churg-Strauss syndrome, hypereosinophilic syndrome etc.).

The article presents typical clinical cases of simple pulmonary eosinophilia (eosinophilic Loffler's pneumonia) and chronic eosinophilic pneumonia.

**Key words:** pulmonary eosinophilia, simple pulmonary eosinophilia, chronic eosinophilic pneumonia.

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