

## A Case of Malaria-Induced Splenic Infarction

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### ABSTRACT

Splenic infarction is one of many possible complications arising from a Malarial infection and is commonly caused by *Plasmodium falciparum*. It is largely underdiagnosed due to the non-specificity of its signs and symptoms. Only few cases have been reported in the literature. A 42-year-old male presented with five-day history of a high-grade fever, headache, myalgia and generalized body weakness. Peripheral blood smear confirmed malarial infection as a result of *Plasmodium falciparum*. Few days later, the patient developed left upper quadrant abdominal pain and splenic infarction was diagnosed by ultrasound and computed tomography and the patient was treated successfully.

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