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Case Report

Nasal Cerebrospinal Fluid Fistula after a Nasal Swab Test for COVID-19 in a Patient without Previous Nasosinusal Disease

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ARTICLEINFO ABSTRACT Article history: COVID-19 is a highly contagious disease caused by the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2. In order to diagnose its Received: 10 July, 2021 infection, a sample is collected by rotating a nasal swab in the nasopharynx. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, Accepted: 27 July, 2021 this test was widely used, but its risks were not widely disclosed. This study describes the first case in the Published: 11 August, 2021 literature regarding nasal cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) fistula after a nasal swab test for COVID-19 in a patient without previous nasosinusal disease. This report warns of the risk of a serious complication secondary to Keywords: the nasal swab test for the diagnosis of COVID-19. COVID-19 nasal cerebrospinal fluid fistula nasopharyngeal swabs coronavirus

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