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Serial Electrophysiological Studies in Miller Fisher Syndrome

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- Abstract -

Miller Fisher syndrome(MFS) has been the focus of conflicting opinions regarding the peripheral versus the central nature of the site of major neural injury. We present our electrophysiological findings in one case of MFS to help clarify the pattern of peripheral nerve injury in this syndrome. A 45-year-old man visited our hospital due to sudden diplopia. Initial examination revealed internuclear opthalmoplegia. The next day, his symptoms rapidly aggravated to complete external ophthalmoplegia, ataxia, and areflexia with hand and foot numbness. Serial electrophysiological studies were performed. The results of brainstem evoked potential(BAEP) and blink reflex were normal in the serial studies. Motor and sensory nerve conduction study(NCS) were normal findings in second hospital day, but ulnar sensory nerve shows no sensory nerve action potential(SNAP) and sural sensory conduction velocity was delayed in 7th hospital day. Our patient's clinical presentation began to improve on 15th hospital day, and his electrophysiologic study showed improvement on 29th hospital day. We believe that all the manifestations of MFS can be explained by the involvement of peripheral nerves without brainstem or cerebellar lesion with the serial electrophysiological studies.

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Table 1. Serial electrophysiologic findings in patient

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Sensory NCV(m/s)						
Median(palm-wrist)	37.5	43.1	No SNAP	40.4	41.2	>34.05
Ulnar(finger-wrist)	42.7	No SNAP	No SNAP	44.1	45.2	>39.26
Sural	39.4	24.1*	No SNAP	33.6*	42.1	>34.68
Motor NCS						_
Median						
TL(ms)	3.14	3.26	3.03	3.01	3.12	< 3.60
AMP(mV)	10.8	13.6	12.7	11.3	12.6	>5
NCV(m/s)	58.8	58.3	56.7	54.9	55.3	>40.63
FL(ms)	30.21	30.15	29.92	30.18	30.07	<30.31
Ulnar						
TL(ms)	2.38	2.02	2.54	2.72	2.61	< 2.51
AMP(mV)	14.1	7.5	11.2	9.4	10.5	>5
NCV(m/s)	59.5	68.3	64.4	60.7	62.7	>50.61
FL(ms)	30.31	29.94	30.12	30.15	29.97	<30.66
Posterior Tibial						
TL(ms)	3.76	3.32	3.52	3.38	3.46	< 5.11
AMP(mV)	27.8	18.3	25.3	22.4	20.2	>5
NCV(m/s)	47.6	45.1	49.7	46.8	47.4	>40.63
FL(ms)	55.71	55.14	54.92	55.32	54.89	< 56.15
Peroneal						
TL(ms)	4.18	4.52	3.98	3.56	3.82	<4.78
AMP(mV)	6.8	8.5	9.2	9.1	8.7	>4
NCV(m/s)	48.8	42.3	46.2	45.6	46.7	>41.65
FL(ms)	49.82	48.94	49.12	48.74	48.98	< 50.11
H-reflex(ms)	30.71	Absent	Absent	30.32	30.41	<31.66
EMG(biceps brachii)	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	
Blink reflex	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	
Facial NCS						
TL(ms)	2.98	3.01	2.87	2.89	2.91	< 3.08
AMP(mV)	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.9	1.7	>1.1
EMG	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	
BAEP	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	

NCV: nerve conduction velocity

NCS: nerve conduction study TL: terminal latency EMG: electromyography

FL: F-wave latency

SNAP: sensory nerve action potential

AMP: amplitude *: Outside normal range

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