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Palatal Perforation in HIV

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A 50 year old patient reported to the department with pain in the palate since 2 months. History of nasal regurgitation on eating and inability to blow air was reported by the patient. Medical, Family history were non contributory [1-4]. On intraoral examination palatal perforation was seen in the patient, along with sloughing of the nasal floor. Patient was provisionally diagnosed of deep fungal infection and sent for blood investigation which included HIV and syphilis. Chest X ray was advised. Smear was taken from the perforated area. Patient was diagnosed HIV positive, and smear revealed mixed fungal infection. Patient currently referred to HAART therapy.

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