

Eye trapped an arachnid: Horrific but true!



Figure 1: Clinical photograph of the eviscerated socket showing the trapped spider. The spider must have crawled and gotten trapped into the deep socket eventually succumbing to it

A 52-year-old painter presented with bilateral diminished vision following lime injury 7 months back. He underwent left eye evisceration 2 months prior to presentation. The eviscerated socket had evidence of mucoid discharge with an insect lodged into it [Fig. 1]. The insect was removed with forceps under topical anesthesia. Further examination revealed it to be a necrosed, disintegrated spider with damaged appendages. Povidone iodine solution and topical antibiotics were applied postoperatively. Right eye had evidence of chemical injury sequelae which was managed with amniotic membrane transplantation. Patient was counseled regarding the importance of adequate maintenance of personal and socket hygiene.

Declaration of patient consent

The authors certify that they have obtained all appropriate patient consent forms. In the form the patient(s) has/have given his/her/their consent for his/her/their images and other clinical information to be reported in the journal. The patients understand that their names and initials will not be published and due efforts will be made to conceal their identity, but anonymity cannot be guaranteed.

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