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# EHMTI-0028. Occipital neuralgiform pain as multiple sclerosis relapse

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Occipital neuralgia(ON) is a rare presentation and might be due to multiple causes including occipital nerve pathologies and limit daily function of patients and have a severe impact on their quality of life (QoL). The clinical characteristics of ON include paroxysmal painful attacks of electric shock- like sensation, occurring spontaneously or evoked by stimuli in specific trigger areas. Cervical cord demyelination might rarely cause ON. In this case report we would like to report a clinically definite relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis (MS) patient who experienced occipital neuralgiform pain with a contrast enhancing demyelinating lesion on C2 cervical cord. We would like to discuss a rare case of occipital neuralgia presenting as an MS relapse. Although patients with multiple sclerosis have an increased incidence of headaches, new onset headaches might be related to a new active lesion and patient should be evaluated considering this possibility.

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