Case report

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FEMICIDE BY HYDROCHLORIC ACID

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We describe a fatal case of intimate partner violence (femicide) by hydrochloric acid. The victim's ex-partner poured the acid into her mouth while she was unconscious. The death was caused by acute corrosive injury of digestive and respiratory organs, due to ingestion and aspiration of acid. Considering that homicidal acid poisoning represents a rarity in forensic practice, this is a unique autopsy report published in the recent literature. Acta Medica Medianae 2017;56(3):116-120.

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