

## **Burkholderia cepacia: a rare cause of bacterial keratitis**

### **ABSTRACT**

We describe the first clinical case of *Burkholderia cepacia* keratitis registered in Southeast Asia. A man in his mid-70s with underlying poorly controlled diabetes mellitus came with complaints of painful red left eye for 4 days. This was accompanied with photophobia and blurring of vision after being injured by a wooden particle while cutting grass. Slit-lamp examination showed a paracentral anterior corneal stromal infiltrates with overlying epithelial defect. Culture of the corneal smear isolated *B. cepacia* that was sensitive to ceftazidime, meropenem and bactrim (trimethoprim and sulfamethoxazole). Topical ceftazidime was given intensively to the patient and the infection resolved after 6 weeks of treatment.