

CARE Checklist of information to include when writing a case report



Topic	Item No	Checklist item description	Reported on Page Number/Line Number	Reported on Section/Paragraph
Title	1	The diagnosis or intervention of primary focus followed by the words "case report"	1/2-3	Title
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	4/48-49	Key words
Abstract (no references)	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	4/44-46	Abstract
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	3/35-37	Abstract
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	3/38-39	Abstract
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main "take-away" lesson(s) from this case?	4/44-46	Abstract
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique (may include references)	5/60-63	Introduction/1
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	6/68-69	Case presentation/1
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	6/68-70	Case presentation/1
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	6/68-69	Case presentation/1
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	6/71-86	Case presentation/1-3
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	6/76-77	Case presentation/2
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	Figure3	Figure3
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	Figure1	Figure1
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	6/77-79	Case presentation/2
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	6/79-81,Figure2	Case presentation/2,
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	8/112-114	Discussion/2
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	7/86-87	Case presentation/3
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	7/86-87	Case presentation/3
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	10/149-153	Discussion/5

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	7/87-90	Case presentation/3
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	Figure3	Figure3
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	7/87-90	Case presentation/3
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	7/87-90	Case presentation/3
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	11/156-158	Discussion/6
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature with references	10/138-145	Discussion/4
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	11/153-155	Discussion/5
	11d	The primary "take-away" lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	11/159-161	Discussion/7
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	10/146-147	Discussion/5
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	Yes 🗸	No

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