CARE case report guidelines

CARE Checklist of information to include when writing a case report

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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”	Page1/Line 1	tittle
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	Page3/Line70-71	keywords
Abstract (Structured summary)	3a	Background: state what is known and unknown; why the case report is unique and what it adds to existing literature.	Page2/Line46-52	abstract
	3b	Case Description: describe the patient’s demographic details, main symptoms, history, important clinical findings, the main diagnosis, interventions, outcomes and follow-ups.	Page3/Line53-62	abstract
	3c	Conclusions: summarize the main take-away lesson, clinical impact and potential implications.	Page3/Line63-68	abstract
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique **(may include references)**	Page3/Line76-97	Introduction/Paragraph 1-2
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	Page3/Line99	Case Presentations
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	Page3/Line99-100	Case Presentations
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	none	none
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	Page3/Line100-102	Case Presentations
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	Page4/Line102-107	Case Presentations
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	none	none
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	Page4、5/Line102-112	Case Presentations/Paragraph3-4
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	Page5/Line112-114	Case Presentations/Paragraph4
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	Page5/Line120	Case Presentations/Paragraph4
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	Page5/Line120	Case Presentations/Paragraph4
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	Page5/Line115-150	Case Presentations/Paragraph5-7
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	Page5/Line115-150	Case Presentations/Paragraph5-7
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	Page5/Line115-150	Case Presentations/Paragraph5-7

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	none	none
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	none	none
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	none	none
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	Page6/Line146-150	case Presentations/Paragraph7
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	Page6/Line164-187	discussion/Paragraph6、11、12
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature **with references**	Page6-7/Line164-187	discussion/Paragraph6 12
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	Page6-7/Line188-203	discussion/Paragraph10-12
	11d	The primary “take-away” lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	Page7/Line188-203	discussion/Paragraph10-12
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	none	none
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	**Yes** ☐	**No** ☑

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