

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"	Pg 1/ LINE: 3-5	Title page/ 1st paragraph
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	Pg 3 / LINE 65	Abstract page bottom
	3a	Background: state what is known and unknown; why the case report is unique and what it adds to existing literature.	LINES: 47-48	Abstract page/ 1st P.
	3b	Case Description: describe the patient's demographic details, main symptoms, history, important clinical findings, the main diagnosis, interventions, outcomes and follow-ups.	LINES: 49-59	Abstract page/2nd Paragraph
Introduction	3c	Conclusions: summarize the main take-away lesson, clinical impact and potential implications.	LINES: 60-64	Abstract page/ 3rd P
	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique (may include references)	Pg 4 / LINES: 66-93	Introduction/1st P
	5a	De-identified patient specific information	LINES: 154-158	Ethical statement/1st P
Patient Information	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	Pg 5/ LINES: 96-102	Case presentation/1st P
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	N/A	N/A
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	Pg 5/ LINES: 96-102	Case presentation/1st P
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	Pg 5/ LINES: 96-102	Case presentation/1st P
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	Pg 5/ LINES: 96-102	Fig 1
	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	Pg 5/ LINES: 96-102	Case presentation/1st P
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	N/A	N/A
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	Pg 5/ LINES: 96-102	Case presentation/1st P
Therapeutic Intervention	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	LINES: 96-152	Case presentation section
	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	LINES: 96-152	Case presentation section
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	LINES: 96-152	Case presentation section
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	LINES: 96-152	Case presentation section

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	N/A	N/A
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	LINES: 96-152	Case presentation section
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	LINES: 96-152	Case presentation section
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	LINES: 96-152	Case presentation section
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	LINES: 160-233	Discussion/1st2nd3rd4th P
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature with references	LINES: 160-233	Discussion/1st2nd3rd4th P
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	LINES: 160-233	Discussion/1st2nd3rd4th P
	11d	The primary “take-away” lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	LINES: 236-245	Conclusion/1st paragraph
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	N/A	N/A
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

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