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Title		
	<u>#1</u> The area of focus and “case report” should appear in the title	1
Keywords		
	<u>#2</u> Two to five key words that identify topics in this case report	1
Abstract		
Introduction	<u>#3a</u> What is unique and why is it important?	1
	<u>#3b</u> The patient's main concerns and important clinical findings.	1
	<u>#3c</u> The main diagnoses, interventions, and outcomes.	1
Conclusion	<u>#3d</u> What are one or more “take-away” lessons?	1
Introduction		

Patient information	<u>#4</u>	Briefly summarize why this case is unique with medical literature references.	1-2
	<u>#5a</u>	De-identified demographic and other patient information.	2
	<u>#5b</u>	Main concerns and symptoms of the patient.	2-3
	<u>#5c</u>	Medical, family, and psychosocial history including genetic information.	2
	<u>#5d</u>	Relevant past interventions and their outcomes.	2-3
Clinical findings	<u>#6</u>	Relevant physical examination (PE) and other clinical findings.	2-3
Timeline	<u>#7</u>	Relevant data from this episode of care organized as a timeline (figure or table).	2-3
Diagnostic assessment	<u>#8a</u>	Diagnostic methods (PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	2-3
	<u>#8b</u>	Diagnostic challenges.	2-3
	<u>#8c</u>	Diagnostic reasoning including differential diagnosis	2-3
	<u>#8d</u>	Prognostic characteristics when applicable	2-3
Therapeutic Intervention	<u>#9a</u>	Types of intervention (pharmacologic, surgical, preventive).	3-5
	<u>#9b</u>	Administration of intervention (dosage, strength, duration)	3-5
	<u>#9c</u>	Changes in the interventions with explanations.	3-5

Follow up and outcomes

#10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes when appropriate	6
#10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results.	6
#10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (how was this assessed)?	6
#10d	Adverse and unanticipated events.	N/A

Discussion

#11a	Strengths and limitations in your approach to this case.	6-8
#11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature.	6-8
#11c	The rationale for your conclusions.	8
#11d	The primary “take-away” lessons from this case report.	8

Patient perspective

#12	The patient can share their perspective on their case	N/A
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Informed consent

#13	The patient should give informed consent.	9
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