

CASE REPORT - ABSTRACT INSTRUCTIONS

GUIDELINES

Abstract length: **Body of the Abstract - 350 words Maximum (not including Heading)**
Maximum number of Authors: **5**

A suggested checklist for writing a case report abstract:

TITLE (100 characters Maximum)

- Should facilitate interest in the topic and should be searchable.

Body of the abstract must include the following and cannot exceed 350 words.

INTRODUCTION

- Describe whether the case is unique.
- Does the case have an unusual diagnosis or clinical course?
- Describe how the case contributes to scientific knowledge.
- Describe the instructive or teaching points that add value to this case.

CASE SUMMARY

- Describe the presenting signs and symptoms and clinical course.
- Is the cause of patient's illness clear-cut? What are other plausible explanations?
- What investigations were completed to sort out the diagnosis? Include them if important.
- Describe the treatments provided and the rationale.
- Were other therapeutic options considered? Are outcomes related to the treatments provided?

DISCUSSION

- Report on literature review of other similar cases. Describe how this case is different.
- Explain the rationale for reporting the case. What is unusual about the case? Does it challenge prevailing wisdom?
- In the future, could things be done differently in a similar case?
- What educational pearls can be gleaned from this case?
- Describe why this case is osteopathically relevant.

NOTE:

- *References (Maximum of 10) should **NOT** be on the abstract, this should be included on the poster*
- *Photos and Graphs should **NOT** be on the abstract, this should be on the poster*

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