

Case 17 (June 10 2010): N Engl J Med. 362(23):2213-2219

Demographic: Female, 29 yrs, North America

Clinical features extracted from the case and entered into the query box:

weakness and flexion of left hand and ankle orofacial dystonia dysphagia difficulty speaking wide based gait falls anarthria

Synonyms used by Isabel for the above query:

dysphagia difficulty speaking

STOP!

Before you read further you might want to construct your own:

- Complete differential diagnosis
- Final diagnosis

In the following section you will find:

- The differential diagnosis constructed by the MGH panel
- The final diagnosis of the case
- Which of the MGH panel differential diagnoses did Isabel contain
- Did Isabel suggest the final diagnosis

Differential Diagnoses considered by the MGH panel:

Wilson's disease

Final Diagnosis of the case according to NEJM:

Rapid-onset dystonia-parkinsonism due to a mutation in the ATP1A3 gene

Differential Diagnoses of the case as given by Isabel:

Wilson's disease in Genetic



Was the final diagnosis given by Isabel:

Yes, Rapid-onset dystonia-parkinsonism in Neuro

Isabel Differential:



