

SARS-CoV-2 infection in an advanced rheumatoid arthritis patient

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Abstract

In late 2019, pneumonia due to the severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) emerged in Wuhan, China, which has immediately spread around the world. The major clinical manifestations of COVID-19 include a range from asymptomatic presentation to acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) [1]. Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA) patients usually managed with immunosuppressive agents, hence, they are at a higher risk of infections [2]. However, limited data are available about the severe case of COVID-19 in RA patients [3-7]. Here we present a complicated case of SARS-CoV-2 infection in a female RA patient.

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