



## AJR Guidelines for Authors of Case Reports

Case reports are distributed throughout an issue of *AJR* with the major articles in sections according to subject matter (body part). To facilitate planning the order and layout of each issue, case reports should be limited in length to two journal pages. The following guidelines are offered to help in constructing a concise case report that will fit in *AJR* format. (Also see Special Communications in *AJR* Guidelines for Authors, this issue.)

### Introduction

The introduction should be one short paragraph that gives some general background of the disorder and the specific interest and message of the case presented. In essence it should serve as both an introduction and an abstract (case reports do not carry a separate abstract).

### Case Report

Only one case should be described in detail. The case report should concentrate on the radiologic indications and yield. The information about the patient's history, presentation, and clinical, physical, and laboratory findings should set the stage for the radiology. It is not intended to be a complete archival record of the case and should contain few negative observations and tests.

### Discussion

The discussion should focus on the specific message of this report and the relevance of radiology in this instance. A literature review is not desired except for a few highly specific citations to help document the report. If the author has encountered other

cases, they may be briefly mentioned, and possibly illustrated, but not described in detail.

### References

There should be no more than eight references.

### Illustrations

The figures should be limited to the minimum required to document the case findings, probably not more than four pictures each a column wide (or the equivalent). Excess illustrations would require severely shortening the text. (If a case report has two pictures of column width or the equivalent, the text manuscript, excluding the title page, references, and figure legends, can be not more than 4½ pages typed double-space. If there are four column-width pictures, the text can be not more than 3–3½ pages typed double space.)

### Figure Legends

Legends should be as short as possible and should not repeat the text.

### Tables

There should be no tables.

### Acknowledgments

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## **Call for Papers: 1984 American Roentgen Ray Society Meeting**

Abstracts of papers to be considered for the scientific program of the 1984 meeting of the American Roentgen Ray Society (ARRS) should be ready by September 12. They will be considered by the ARRS Program Committee in September, and those accepted will be presented during the meeting, April 9–13 in Las Vegas. Full instructions and forms will appear in the June, July, and August issues of *AJR*.

Manuscripts presented during the ARRS scientific program, if submitted for publication, must be submitted first to *AJR*. If publication is not offered by the journal, publication rights return to the author.

Details for submission of scientific exhibits also will appear in the June, July, and August issues of *AJR*.