"An Imaging Clue for Treatable Early Childhood-Onset Dystonia - Manganism"

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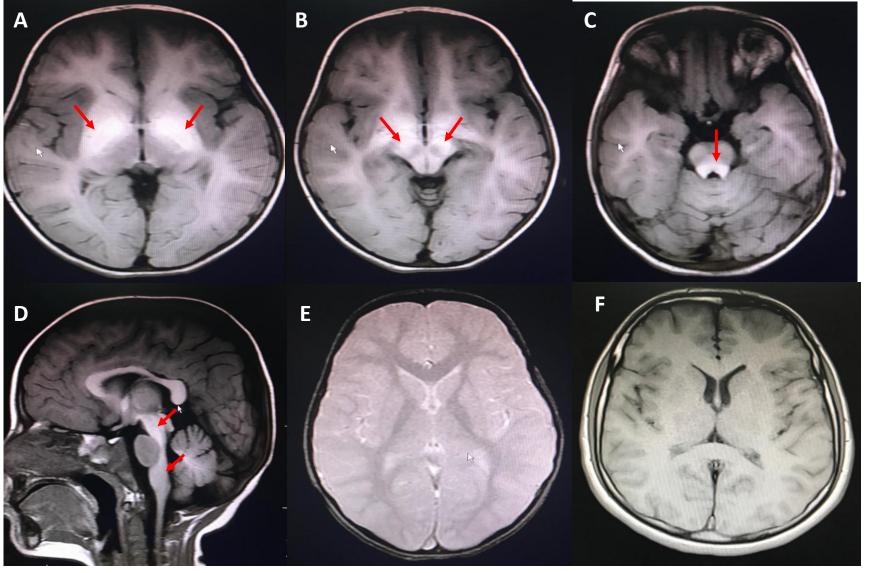


Vignette

- A 3-year-old boy, first born of third-degree consanguineous parentage had presented with recurrent falls and toe-walking from 2-years.
- On examination, he had microcephaly(45cm; <-3Z score, WHO), dysarthria and bilateral foot dystonia.
- Neuroimaging revealed multiple areas of T1-weighted hyper-intensities including in the basal ganglia and dorsal brainstem(Figure 1)
- Serum-manganese was elevated 186 microgram/l(5-15) and hemoglobin increased gradually from 11g/dl to 14.5g/dl(11.5-15.5g/dl).
- Next generation sequencing revealed previously unreported homozygous single base pair insertion c.18_19insT(p.Lys7Ter) in exon-1 of SLC30A10 gene.



Imaging





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- Inherited hypermanganesemia are autosomal recessively inherited due to mutations in *SLC30A10*, *SLC39A14* and *SLC39A8*¹.
- SLC30A10 gene is a cell surface localized manganese efflux transporter and loss of function mutations leads to accumulation of manganese predominantly in liver and brain¹.
- Homozygous mutations in *SLC30A10* gene manifests in childhood(2-15 years) with four-limb dystonia, dysarthria, polycythemia, hepatic cirrhosis and characteristic neuroimaging².
- Chelation with EDTA and iron supplementation might be beneficial².

