

FROM THE INPATIENT SETTING...MYSTERIES AND SURPRISES

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A "Top 10 List" of Takeaway Pearls

10. The neck tongue syndrome can be a pain in both
9. Metagenomic sequencing is quite powerful but can be limiting
8. Rashes in a number of locations are typically the clue to NeuroID answers and a social history can be quite revealing
7. Porto-systemic shunting can be confusing to the patient and the physician; keep checking the ammonia over and over again
6. All granulomas are not infectious, but most are...
5. Retinal necrosis has a narrow differential but you have to "see" the problem correctly
4. Hidden botulism is usually in plain sight (except for the patient who experiences blurry vision and ptosis)
3. A good sinus examination goes a long way in meningitis
2. A very high ferritin has a narrow set of causes
1. Sometimes it's not the drug but what it is mixed with