



IM Board Review: A medical mystery every month

A 24-year-old woman is hospitalized with a myocardial infarction, hardly the typical patient presenting with an MI. What could be the cause?

Thus begins this month's installment of the Internal Medicine Board Review (page 688), a regular series of the *Cleveland Clinic Journal of Medicine*. We began the series 8 years ago as one of our early efforts to retool the CCJM, to make it more relevant to our readers.

Even though the CCJM has undergone many more changes since then, the IM Board Review series still remains a key part of the CCJM, and a symbol of our purpose in publishing the CCJM.

We try to make the IM Board Review concise and relevant, taking the reader through a question-and-answer format of differential diagnosis, testing, and treatment. Unlike conventional case reports, many of which discuss the rare and esoteric, we hope the IM Board Review discusses topics that are relevant to your daily practice.

We appreciate the efforts of the editors of the series, two Cleveland Clinic physicians, Dr. David Longworth, Chairman of the Department of Infectious Diseases, and Dr. James Stoller, of the Department of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, who helped create the series based on their popular annual board review course, held every June in Cleveland.

We are always interested in receiving submissions for the series, along with your feedback and ideas for us to discuss.

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