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Impact of a COVID-19 outbreak in a long-term care facility in Barcelona, Spain: The role of a COVID-19 prevention and control program

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Background: COVID-19 outbreaks in long-term care facilities are a significant impact on infection rates and mortality rates of the residents. The study aimed to describe the effectiveness of a COVID-19 prevention and control (CPC) program in a long-term care facility. Methods: A CPC program, including social isolation, active symptoms screening for all residents and ...

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US and Russian physician perspectives regarding end of life care

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Purpose: To compare US and Russian primary care physicians' attitudes, comfort and experiences providing palliative care. Design: Cross sectional survey. Settings: Iowa, USA and Leningrad Oblast, Russia Participants: Family medicine physicians at University of Iowa and Northwestern State Medical University, St Petersburg, Russia, community practicing family physici ...

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Agnosia: Definition, clinical contexts, neurobiological profiles and clinical

treatments

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Starting from the general concept of Agnosia, the present work focuses on the clinical, neurobiological, and functional aspects of the morbid condition, suggesting a multidimensional treatment between rehabilitation exercises for lost skills and psychotherapy. ...

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Development of a new drug for progeria syndrome; Past, Present and Future

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Hutchinson-Gilford progeria syndrome (HGPS) is the best characterized genetic disorder with premature aging features. Classic HGPS is very rare, sporadic orphan disease, inherited in an autosomal dominant manner without gender or ethnic differences. Children with HGPS appear normal at birth, but begin to develop segmental progeroid symptoms within the first years of l ...

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Case Report

Transient camptocormia with citalopram treatment in a patient with mixed dementia–A case report

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This case report reviews a patient who suffered mixed dementia with depression. The addition of citalopram to the medication regimen was shortly followed by the manifestation of camptocormia, or “bent-spine.” Clinical findings available, without attempting invasive diagnostic procedures, point to a citalopram induced camptocormia. The frequent use of SSRI medications ...

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Low back pain as an equivalent of neurogenic claudication in elderly patient: Case report

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Author(s): Igor Borshchenko*, Roman Kartavykh, Andrey Baskov, Andrey Grin and Maria Borshchenko

This clinical report presents the case of chronic low back pain in elderly female referring to multilevel (L2-L5) degenerative lumbar spinal stenosis without typical neurogenic claudication and leg pain. Subsequent minimally invasive surgical decompression produced complete resolve of the pain and drastic improvement life quality. This surgery confirmed the pain origi ...

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A rare cause of acute abdomen: Isolated cecum necrosis; A case report

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Isolated cecum necrosis is a very rare condition. The most common symptom is pain in the right lower quadrant. We are presenting a patient who visited the emergency clinic with right lower quadrant pain and subsequently was diagnosed with cecum necrosis during the operation and underwent a right hemicolectomy. ...

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Letter to Editor

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Duodenal bleeding in a patient with Covid-19-Related Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome

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High incidence of thrombotic complications was observed in patients with Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS) related to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) [1]. The pathophysiology seems related to systemic thrombophilia by hyper-immune reaction, inducing a “cytokine storm” [1]. ...

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What is the fittest criterion for giving chemotherapy for an elderly patient diagnosed with follicular lymphoma?

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An 85-year-old British man admitted to our department in July 2018 with enlarged lumps in cervical, axillary and inguinal sites. He was diagnosed with Follicular lymphoma (Stage 3 Grade 3A). ...

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Dignity therapy for non-terminally ill elderly

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Dignity Therapy (DT) is a psychotherapeutic approach designed to increase patient's sense of meaning and purpose, offering the opportunity to talk about issues that matter most to them, to share moments they feel were most important and to speak of things they would like to be remembered [1]. DT has been developed and trialled for those near death and had shown effica ...

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Mini Review

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Fragile elderly, systemic conditions and dental homecare - a mini-review

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Author(s): Alexandre Franco Miranda*, Stella Maris de Freitas Lima and Taia Maria Berto Rezende

Background: The oral health of elderly patients can be treated at home or in the hospital environment with adaptations. This type of home dental care is possible through the synergistic interactions among several health professionals involved in improving the quality of life of dependent and fragile elderly patients. Scientific articles and bibliographic databases on ...

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Intimacy, Parkinson's disease and dementia in the time of the coronavirus

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While the corona virus does not seem to invade the brain, patients with neurodegenerative diseases do not suffer from specific deficits in their immune system which could put them at increased risk of SARS-CoV-2 infection. So far, experience from the affected regions does not show an apparent increased risk, although there are no systematic data yet available [1]. ...

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Observational Study

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Prognosis of frail hospitalized COVID-19 patient: Better than expected?

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Author(s): Martial Coutaz*, Julien Lagrandeur, Botturi Cecilia and Cohen Corinne

Objective: To evaluate the characteristics and prognosis of hospitalized geriatric COVID-19-positive patients during the first 30 days of the Swiss confinement period. Design: A retrospective case series analyzing the characteristics and disease evolution for 81 patients admitted to the geriatric COVID-19-positive ward during a 30-day period from March 24 to April 22 ...

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