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Every Patient Tells A Story – Medical Mysteries and the Art of Diagnosis– Lisa Sanders

Chapter 10: Googling a Diagnosis Pages 231 -233 – Dr Sprague’s Patient

Demographic: Female, 57yrs, America North, General speciality

Clinical features extracted from the case and entered into the query box:

itchy palms
chills
fever
fatigue
low blood pressure
tachycardia
shortness of breath

Synonyms used by Isabel PRO for the above query:

shortness of breath
low blood pressure
fever
tachycardia
fatigue
chills

STOP !

Before you read further you might want to construct your own:

- Final diagnosis

In the following section you will find:

- The final diagnosis of the case
- Whether Isabel PRO suggested the final diagnosis

Final diagnosis of the case:

Rocky mountain spotted fever

Was the final diagnosis given by Isabel PRO:

Yes, Rocky mountain spotted fever under Infectious diseases

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Isabel PRO Final Diagnosis:

ENTER CLINICAL FEATURES	Synonyms	DEGREE OF MATCH	Your Customized View
<p>age: adult (50 - 65 years)</p> <p>gender: female</p> <p>pregnancy: (- not specified -)</p> <p>region: America North</p> <p>speciality: General</p> <p>ENTER QUERY TERMS ON SEPARATE LINES:</p> <p>itchy palms</p> <p>chills</p> <p>fever</p> <p>fatigue</p> <p>low blood pressure</p> <p>tachycardia</p> <p>shortness of breath</p> <p>+ Add a Clinical Feature</p> <p>Get Checklist »</p> <p>Help Search Again</p> <p>Isabel PRO is not meant to replace your clinical judgment.</p>		<p>19 INFECTIOUS DISEASES</p> <p>Q Fever ? RD</p> <p>Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever ? RD</p> <p>Why did this diagnosis come up ?</p> <p>We matched the terms: sob dib hypotension fever fevers malaise lethargy palm palms</p> <p>Degree of match between query entered and Isabel database (Not clinical probability): 57%</p> <p>Babesiosis ? RD</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bartonella Infection ? RD</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brucellosis ? RD</p> <p>17 Body Systems Show All</p> <p>INFECTIOUS DISEASES</p> <p>RESPIRATORY DISORDERS</p> <p>CARDIAC DISORDERS</p> <p>ENDOCRINE DISORDERS</p> <p>SHOCK STATES</p> <p>GASTROINTESTINAL DISORDERS</p> <p>DERMATOLOGY DISORDERS</p> <p>RHEUMATIC DISEASES</p> <p>NEPHROLOGY DISORDERS</p> <p>ALLERGIC DISORDERS</p> <p>HEMATOLOGY DISORDERS</p> <p>OBSTETRIC DISORDERS</p> <p>TOXICOLOGY DISORDERS</p>	