

Case 32 (October 19 2006): [N Engl J Med 2006;355:1715-22.](#)

Demographic: Female, 3 yrs, Africa West, General Speciality
(recent travel to Nigeria, therefore region specified as West Africa)

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

fever
rigors
lethargy
nausea
vomiting

Synonyms used by Isabel (optional) for the above query:

Fever
Lethargy
Vomiting

STOP !

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

- Complete differential diagnosis
- Final diagnosis

In the following section you will find:

- The differential diagnosis constructed by the MGH panel
- The final diagnosis of the case
- Which of the MGH panel differential diagnoses did Isabel contain
- Did Isabel suggest the Final diagnosis

Differential Diagnoses considered by the MGH panel:

Plasmodium Species

P. falciparum

P. vivax

P. ovale

P. malariae

Final Diagnoses of the case according to NEJM:

Severe *Plasmodium falciparum* malaria

Differential Diagnoses of the case as given by Isabel:

Malaria – Isabel 1st page

Was the final diagnosis given by Isabel:

Yes, Isabel 1st page

Entire presentation cut and pasted into the Isabel query box:

Malaria – Isabel 1st page

Isabel differential:

INFECTIOUS DISEASES << Click here		LIVER DISORDERS << Click here	
Malaria RD		Gallbladder Diseases RD	
Bacterial Meningitis RD		Cholanqitis RD	
↳ Salmonella Infections RD		RESPIRATORY SYSTEM DISORDERS << Click here	
Relapsing Fever RD		Viral Pneumonia RD	
African Trypanosomiasis RD		GASTROINTESTINAL DISORDERS << Click here	
↳ Ascariasis RD		UROLOGIC DISORDERS << Click here	
Meningococcal Disease RD		RHEUMATIC DISEASES << Click here	
		SHOCK STATES << Click here	
		ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARDS << Click here	
		TOXICOLOGY << Click here	