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Dear editor,

We herewith submit our manuscript, “Bilateral rigid auricles should raise the suspicion for adrenal insufficiency.” by M.V. Koning et al., which we would like to submit for publication in the Journal of Medical Case Reports.

It is a case report regarding a curiosity (rigid auricles) as a sign for adrenal insufficiency.

This sign is described before. However, the presentation of this case is odd (usually rigid ears are asymptomatic), and no link between adrenal insufficiency and rigid ears is made in the field of critical care. We believe that knowledge of this unordinary sign leads to a higher index of suspicion towards adrenal insufficiency. Furthermore, description of these patients could lead to clues about the pathogenesis of the rigid ears.

We hope you share our enthusiasm and consider it for publication.

We confirm that this manuscript has not been published elsewhere and is not under consideration by another journal. All authors have approved the manuscript and agree with its submission to the Journal of Medical Case Reports.

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