Reviewer’s report

Title: Idiopathic intracranial hypertension presenting with isolated unilateral facial nerve palsy

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Reviewer: Alexander Rodriguez Sanjuán

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Yes

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      - De-identified demographic information (age, gender, ethnicity)

      Yes

      - Main symptoms of the patient

      Yes

      - Medical, family and psychosocial history

      No

      - Relevant past interventions and their outcomes
Yes

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Yes

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Yes

e. Types and mechanism of intervention

Yes

f. A summary of the clinical course of all follow-up visits

Yes

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