



DIAGNOSIS CHALLENGE SUBMISSIONS PROCESS

JCO is happy to accept submissions from your department for our Diagnosis Challenge feature. Any accepted case will run in two parts over two issues. The primary goal of this feature is to challenge our readers with a tricky, but still common, case. We are not interested in obscure cases most orthodontists are unlikely to encounter. Part I will show the case and let the readers try to figure out on their own what the proper diagnosis is and what treatment plans would be appropriate. A good submission must have more than one way to treat a case but also must have several methods that are not appropriate due to specific circumstances of the patient. Part II will show the case outcome and discuss the particular challenges the case presented.

In Part I, we will show only the initial records with brief information about the patient (see below for more detail). In Part II, published in the subsequent issue, we will show the final records along with a brief summary of the diagnosis and a brief summary of the treatment. Part II will also include a discussion by editors Dr. Gayle Glenn and Dr. Shawn Miller of the case from a diagnosis and treatment plan perspective. The resident(s) who worked on the case and up to one faculty member who assisted with the case will receive author credit in the Journal and in PubMed. **Please note that in order to facilitate participation across a wide variety of programs, we will only publish one case per program per year.**

Submission Requirements

- Complete set of initial and post-treatment records. This includes the standard set of extraoral and intraoral photos and radiographs and preferably models, either digital or images of plaster cast, as well as cephalometric data (pre- and post-treatment) and a superimposition.
- Patient information: date of birth, gender, race, and primary complaint.
- The diagnosis as determined by the treating resident, broken out in bullet form into skeletal, dental, and other (medical concerns, previous treatment, TMD, etc.) This is not a case report so brevity is preferable.
- The treatment plan, again briefly, as determined by the treating resident. This should be one paragraph.
- The treatment process. Again this is not a case report so the level of detail JCO usually requires is not necessary here. This should be a maximum of two paragraphs.
- Progress records may be requested if there is something particularly unusual about the case that requires demonstration but in most instances will not be necessary. Do not send them with your submission.

Please use our submissions system at <https://jcoortho.msubmit.net/cgi-bin/main.plex> to submit your case. Note in your submission that this is for the Diagnosis Challenge feature. If you need more information on how to properly submit cases using our system, please visit <https://www.jco-online.com/about-jco/> and scroll to the bottom of the page or e-mail info@jco-online.com.