

CASE REPORT

MALIGNANT INFANTILE OSTEOPETROSIS

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Abstract: *Malignant infantile osteopetrosis is a rare congenital disorder characterized by increased bone density due to defective resorption of bone by osteoclasts. Infantile malignant osteopetrosis usually presents in infancy with bone marrow failure leading to hematological abnormalities like pancytopenia and hepatosplenomegaly due to extramedullary hematopoiesis. Though it commonly presents in early infancy, it should be suspected even in neonates presenting with characteristic features.*

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