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| Journal Name: | [**International Neuropsychiatric Disease Journal**](https://journalindj.com/index.php/INDJ) |
| Manuscript Number: | **Ms\_INDJ\_136906** |
| Title of the Manuscript:  | **Ekbom syndrome seen at the Center Hospitalier Universitaire de Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso: about a series of three cases** |
| Type of the Article | **Case report** |

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| PART 1: Comments |
|  | Reviewer’s comment**Artificial Intelligence (AI) generated or assisted review comments are strictly prohibited during peer review.** | **Author’s Feedback** (It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here) |
| **Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.** | The importance of this article lies in the rarity of Ekbom syndrome, which makes data in the literature scarce. In fact, rare syndromes tend to have limited data in the literature, especially data in underdeveloped populations with limited access to medical resources and health education. In fact, much of the literature is focused on research conducted in North American and European centers, with genetically similar populations. Thus, this article serves to increase data in the literature, helping to outline an epidemiological and treatment profile for the syndrome described and thus increasing awareness about it. Another factor that draws attention to the article is the fact that all cases were treated satisfactorily with first-generation antipsychotics, which also differs from most studies conducted in North American and European centers, which tend to have a strong appeal from the pharmaceutical industry in the choice of their antipsychotic therapy.  |  |
| **Is the title of the article suitable?****(If not please suggest an alternative title)** | yes, but the name could be more objective if the word "about" was removed |  |
| Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here. | yes. but I would suggest just a few minor changes. The first two cases are described as cases 1 and 2, while the last one is described as the final case. It would be more appropriate if the way of referring to them were standardized. It would be appropriate to drop the sentence "typically affecting elderly women", since it does not correspond to the study population. It might be appropriate to reserve a comment that the importance of measures aimed at raising awareness about the diagnosis should be directed to general practitioners and dermatologists. |  |
| Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here. | Yes, the article adequately discusses Ekbom syndrome, as well as comprehensively describes the cases in the literature. The cases could have been better described and the treatment process used as well. The article does not clearly explain the process of titrating the dose of the antipsychotic, nor does it detail the regularity of consultations, side effects arising from treatment, as well as other non-pharmacological resources used by the university's psychiatry team. Furthermore, it does not objectively describe the parameters of improvement. Vague parameters such as "improvement in quality of life" are used to describe the clinical outcome; the use of standardized scales could have been appropriate. |  |
| **Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.** | Yes, since this is a case series, an extensive list of references is not necessary and I consider the number to be adequate. There are older references and more recent ones, as expected for this type of article and given the rarity of the syndrome in the literature. I have no reference suggestions. |  |
| Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications? | Yes, the English writing is adequate, requiring only minor adjustments. I would recommend a more objective style using shorter, more direct sentences. |  |
| Optional/General comments | The article is interesting, it was fluid and easy to read. Furthermore, the choice of theme was very pleasant. The photographic record was very interesting, if there were also records of the other cases it would enrich the article even more. |  |

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| **PART 2:**  |
|  | **Reviewer’s comment** | **Author’s Feedback** (It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here) |
| **Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?**  | *(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)* |  |

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