

# Case presentation

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In paediatrics department

- ***XYZ***, 6yr boy
- From Nalgonda

## Chief complaints

- Weakness of both lower limbs- 1yr
- Difficulty in standing from sitting position - 6months.

## History of presenting illness

- The child was able to walk and run till 5 years of age. Later, he developed insidious onset of difficulty in standing from sitting position, which was gradually progressive. Then, he had frequent falls and difficulty in walking in upstairs.

- No h/o myalgia, rash, contact tuberculosis, recurrent RTI or choking episodes.
- Antenatal: non consanguineous marriage, Regular ANC's done, iron and folic acid taken.
- Birth: Delivered by LSCS, cried immediately after birth, birth weight 2.5kgs, no h/o NICU admission.

- Developmental history:

Neck holding -6mon

Sitting with support-1yrs

Standing with support-2yrs

Walking without support-3yrs

Fine motor

Social & adaptive

Language



→ attained as per the age

- Immunized as per the schedule.
- Family history: no similar complaints in the family

- General physical examination:
  - No pallor
  - No icterus
  - No clubbing
  - No lymphadenopathy
  - No oedema
- Head to toe examination: Normal
  - No dysmorphic features
  - No neurocutaneous markers.
  - Hypertrophy of calf muscles



- **CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM EXAMINATION:**  
Conscious, oriented to time, place, person.  
Speech normal.  
Cranial nerves: I to XII intact

- Sensory system :intact

- Motor system:

Bulk of muscle: Rt upper arm: 14cms

Rt forearm :13 cms

Rt mid thigh : 24cms

Rt calf muscle: 22cms

Lt upper arm:14 cms

Lt forearm :13cms

Lt mid thigh :24cms

Lt calf muscles :22.5cms



- Tone :normal in all four limbs
- Deep tendon reflexes : normal
- Plantar reflex: flexion response seen

## Musculoskeletal examination:

### Power :

	Rt	Lt
Deltoid	4/5	4/5
Biceps	4/5	4/5
Triceps	4/5	4/5
Brachioradialis	4/5	4/5
Flexors of forearm	4/5	4/5
Extensors	4/5	4/5
Hand muscles	5/5	5/5
Gastrocnemius	4/5	4/5
Gluteus maximus	4/5	4/5
Gluteus minimus	4/5	4/5
Calf muscles	3/5	3/5

- GAIT: waddling gait , with toe walking
- Gower sign: positive.
- All Joints, range of movements :Normal.
- Spine examination : Normal.

- Respiratory system:

Bilateral air entry present.

Normal vesicular breath sounds heard.

- Per abdomen examination:

soft, no organomegaly.

- Cardiovascular system:

S1,S2 Normal.

no murmur.

# Investigations

- Complete blood picture:  
Hb: 13.5 gm%  
Total count:11000  
N :40% L:55% E:3%  
M:2% B:0%  
Platelet count:2.8 lakh  
ESR:20
- Creatinine kinase level: 1870IU/L
- LFT, RFT, Serum electrolytes: with in normal limits
- Nerve conduction velocity: normal
- Molecular study for dystrophin gene: report awaiting
- Muscle biopsy: Not done.

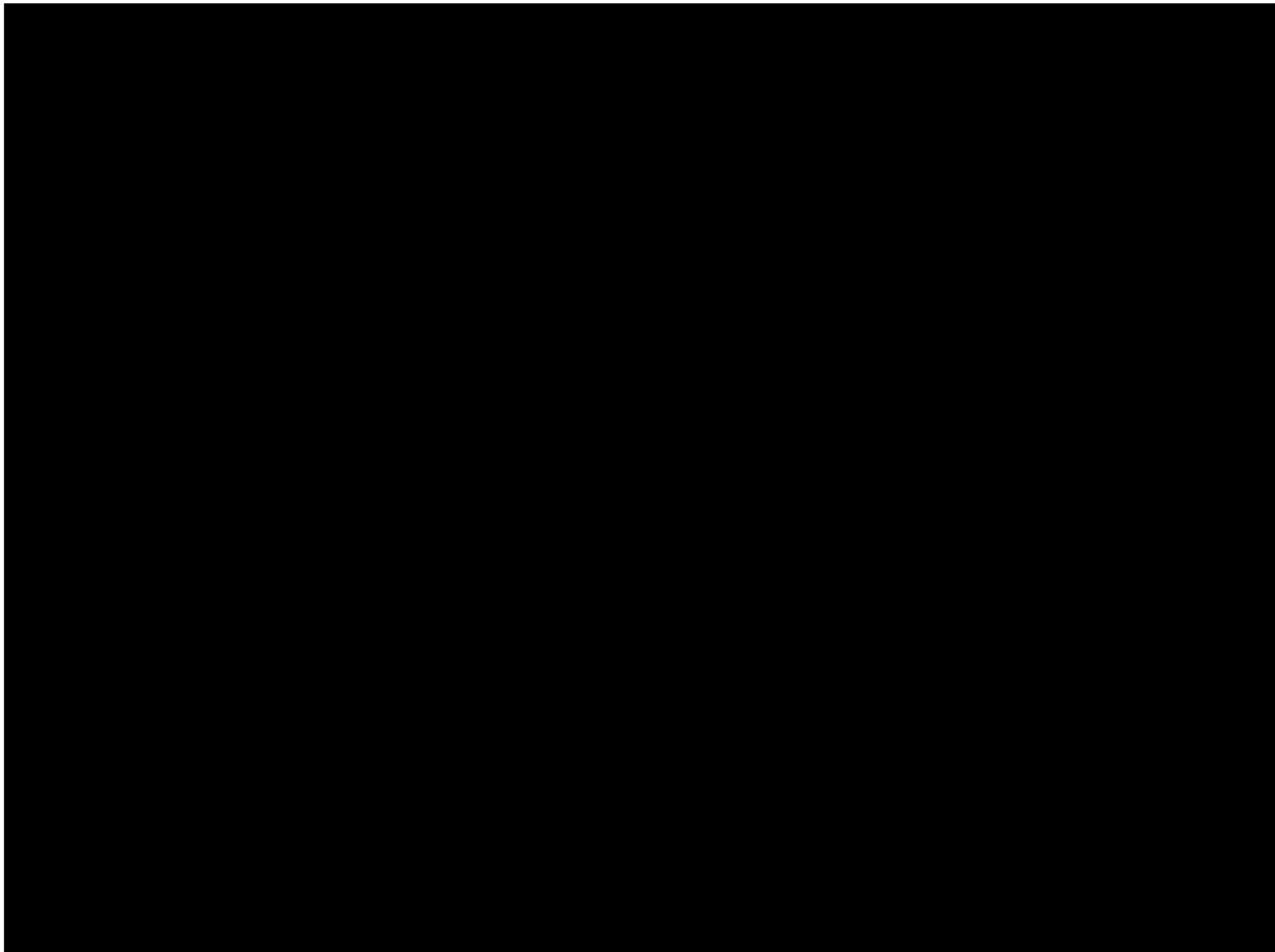
# SUMMARY

- 6 yr boy with progressive difficulty in walking, climbing upstairs, and frequent fall for 1yr
- O/E proximal muscle weakness, calf muscle hypertrophy, positive gower sign



# Provisional diagnosis

- Progressive proximal muscular weakness
- ? Duchenne muscular dystrophy
- without cardiac or respiratory complications.



## Case 2

- Xx 8yrs boy
- From miryalguda

## Chief Complaints

- Difficulty to get up from sitting position- 2 yrs
- Difficulty in climbing upstairs – 1yr.
- Frequent falls – 6months

## History of present illness:

The child was able to walk and run till 6 years of age. Later, he developed insidious onset of difficulty in standing from sitting position, which was gradually progressive. Then, he had frequent falls and difficulty in walking upstairs.

- No h/o myalgia, rash, contact TB, recurrent RTI, or choking episodes.

- Antenatal : non consanguineous marriage, Regular antenatal checkups done. iron and folic acid taken.
- Birth :Delivered by LSCS, cried immediately after birth, birth weight 2.5kgs.
- No h/o NICU admission.



- Immunization done as per the schedule.
- Family history : h/o similar complaints to other sibling in the family



- General physical examination:
  - pallor present
  - No icterus
  - No clubbing
  - No lymphadenopathy
  - No oedema
- Head to toe examination: Normal
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- CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM EXAMINATION:  
conscious, oriented time, place, person.  
speech normal.

Cranial nerves:

I to XII CN:intact

- Sensory system :intact
- Motor system:
- Bulk of muscle: Rt upper arm: 15cms  
Rt forearm :13.3 cms  
Rt mid thigh : 26 cms  
Rt calf muscle :20.5cms  
Lt upper arm:15.3cms  
Lt forearm :13cms  
Lt mid thigh :26cms  
Lt calf muscle :20.3cms

- Tone :normal in all four limbs.
- Deep tendon reflexes : normal.
- Plantar reflex: flexion response seen.

## Musculoskeletal examination:

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- Per abdomen examination:

soft, no organomegaly

- Cardiovascular system:

S1,S2 Normal

no murmur

# Investigations

- Complete blood picture:
  - Hb : 8.3 gm%
  - Total count:6200
  - N :53% L:40% E:2%
  - M:5% B:0%
  - Platelet count:2.2 lakh
  - ESR:20
- Creatinine kinase level: 227IU/L
- LFT : Normal
- RFT : Normal
- Serum electrolytes: with in normal limits
- Nerve conduction velocity: normal
- Genetic Molecular study for dystrophin gene: report awaiting
- Muscle biopsy: not done.



# SUMMARY

- 8 yr boy with progressive difficulty in walking, climbing upstairs, and frequent fall for 2yr
- O/E proximal muscle weakness, positive gower sign

# Provisional diagnosis

- Progressive proximal muscular weakness
- ? Duchenne muscular dystrophy
- without cardiac or respiratory complications.

