

Case scenario

If you are using images from your practice, you **MUST** include a signed statement from your supervisor that you have followed your workplace protocols with respect to patient confidentiality and permission procedures. All images must be de-identified.

If this is not possible, then please use textbook, journal article images with appropriate referencing.

A case scenario report describes and discusses an instance of disease in a patient. To make your writing clear it is a good idea to have clear sections in your paper.

- **Introduction:** This is a brief section telling why the case is important and why you are reporting it. You may like to support your point by citing a few recent review articles or studies from the literature.
- **Case Description:** this section lets the reader understand the case and is best told in chronological order for clarity. Use the dots points. When referring to the patient in your report do not use the patient's initials, it is best to refer to the patient as 'the patient', do not refer to them as the 'case'. The term 'case' refers to an instance of disease. Make sure that the patient's identity is not revealed any images that are included in your report.
- **Discussion:** This section is used to explain and clarify any issues arising from the Case Description. You may refer to other case studies reported in the literature, or other literature that bears on the case. You may like to make suggestions for improved management or suggest issues that warrant further research.
- **Conclusion:** This brief section summarises the main points that you wish to make arising from your study.

The following areas should be addressed in the content of the case study:

- Patient presentation with relevant clinical history
- Mammographic findings
- Scanning technique and findings

- Correlation of mammogram to ultrasound findings
- Description of pathology involved
- Reporting of findings
- Ethical considerations
- Further investigations and patient management

This assignment has an upper **limit of 2500 words** (not including images, in text references and reference list.) This assignment addresses the graduate qualities 2, 3,5,6,7.

All assignments to use the following layout – 1.5 spacing, 12 size fonts, 2.5cms margins all round

The School of Health Sciences uses the Harvard Author Date for all referencing by staff and students. If you have not correctly or sufficiently referenced, you will have marks deducted.

If you have shown poor academic integrity by using lots of quotes, or even worse by cut and pasting, even if you have referenced, that is not acceptable. I suggest that you print out a copy of the Harvard referencing system handbook and keep it by your side whilst doing assignments.

Option for Master's IMSO Students

Make use of this opportunity to further your career progression by planning to either present a case in an ASA conference or to publish. For assignment purposes, you could use textbook images or journal article images with appropriate referencing. For publishing, when you are using patient case images, patient consent form with patient's signature stating that they consent to the use of de-identified images and case details is essential.

For this assessment purpose, choose to either write a 2500 case report or you could choose to present to the audience of this course online. The PowerPoint presentation should include all the necessary criteria and info as mentioned above and should be approximately 10 minutes.