

ABSTRACT

Background: Thyrotoxic parodic paralysis is a rare condition that presents with periodic paralysis associated with hypokalemia.

Case: We present a case of a 41 year old man who presented with acute flaccid paraparesis which was secondary to hypokalemia precipitated by Graves thyrotoxicosis. He made a complete recovery following correction of hypokalemia and thyrotoxic state.

Conclusion: Thyrotoxic periodic paralysis should be considered in the differential diagnosis of patients presenting with acute paralysis and hypokalemia even in the absence of overt signs and symptoms of thyrotoxicosis because it has therapeutic and prognostic implications.