

# Review of: "Prednisolone Induced Gingival Enlargement: A Rare Case Report"

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Interesting paper with nice clinical photos and, based on photos, a good clinical result.

My concern with this manuscript is that I am not sure how a diagnosis of steroid-induced gingival hyperplasia was made. There are multiple medications that can cause gingival hyperplasia, but it can also occur in the absence of medications. The patient underwent scaling and root planing. Was a reactive cause of the gingival hyperplasia secondary to local irritants such as calculus considered? Was the patient's corticosteroid completely stopped? Based on my reading of the manuscript, it was not, and the patient was intermittently getting it after the initial 2-month course. In order to confirm corticosteroid-induced gingival hyperplasia, the patient needs to be completely stop corticosteroids for 3 - 6 months and then needs to be re-challenged with corticosteroids and assess if gingival hyperplasia reoccurs.

A full medical history should be included along with a complete medication history.

Some grammatical errors noted.