

Post poliomyelitis syndrome: A rare sequel of acute poliomyelitis

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In this case report, the authors referred to our article² and stated that lamotrigine was found to be ineffective in post poliosyndrome in a case control study. However, there seems to be two major mistakes. 1. Our study was not a case-control study, instead a randomized controlled study. 2. In this study, we found lamotrigine to be effective in relieving pain and fatigue symptoms and improving life

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qualities of patients with post-polio syndrome. We have been using Lamotrigine with great success in patients with post polio syndrome for over 15 years. However, because our study was single-blinded and not placebo-controlled, a randomized controlled trial is needed to confirm the results.³

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