

How to Submit a Case

These are instructions for submitting a case that would be appropriate for a “Case of the Week” format. Very little information is given in the Case Report and most of the case description and discussion of the findings are presented in the Case Answer. You don’t want to give away the answer in the initial case description!

1. First, please make sure you are signed into your profile. Your name should appear in the top right corner (highlighted in yellow). Click on “Cases” in the top menu bar (red box) and click on “Submit a Case” (red arrow).

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of TheFetus.net. The 'Cases' link is highlighted with a red box. A red arrow points to the 'Submit a Case' button in the search area. The user's name 'Celine Jeanty' is visible in the top right corner.

2. A screen with instructions will appear. Please take the time to review these instructions and then click “Next.”

The screenshot shows the 'Submit a Case' instructions page. The page contains the following sections:

- General Instructions for Submission**
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- How do I format my references? ^**

References such as books and medical journals should be formatted according to the Modern Language Association (MLA). Your reference can either be listed alphabetically or incorporated in the text using square brackets, [reference #].

Online references
Last name Author, First initial author. “Title of the article.” Name of the website. Website address; Publish date month/year.
ex. [1] Kniffin, C. “#310400 Myopathy, Centronuclear, X-linked; CNMX” OMIM. <https://omim.org/entry/310400>, Publish date 12/2014.

Article within a book
Last name author, First initial author, et al (if more than one author). “Title of Article.” **Name of Book**. City of Publication: Publisher, year of publication. Page numbers of article.
ex. [1] Carvalho, J. “Lesions of the Right Heart.” **Fetal Cardiology**. Boca Raton: CRC Press; 2019. pgs 309-329.

Article within a journal
Last name author, First initial author, et al (if more than one author). Title of Article. Journal title. Publication date; Volume (issue): page numbers.
ex. [1] Coco C, et al. An isolated echogenic heart focus is not an indication for amniocentesis in 12,672 unselected patients. J Ultrasound Med. 2004;23(4):489-496.

A red arrow points to the 'Next' button at the bottom right of the page.

3. Fill out the highlighted boxes with the title of your case, author's names, affiliation/location and select the case attributes. When you are done, click "Next".



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Case Details

Case Title

Authors (separated by commas)

Affiliations/Locations

Case Attributes

Previous

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4. In the next screen, you will be able to type your case report in the highlighted box. If you would like to add images or videos, click on the “Add media” (red box) button at the bottom of the page. You can also add another text box if needed by clicking the “Add Text Field.” When you have finished, click “Next” to move onto the Answer portion. *Please remember that if you intend to submit a case for the Case of the Week, you do not need much information here or you will give away the answer! A simple description of the patient age, relevant past medical history, family history and obstetrical history is usually enough. Captions for the images should also be brief or can even be left blank.*



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Type your case report here.

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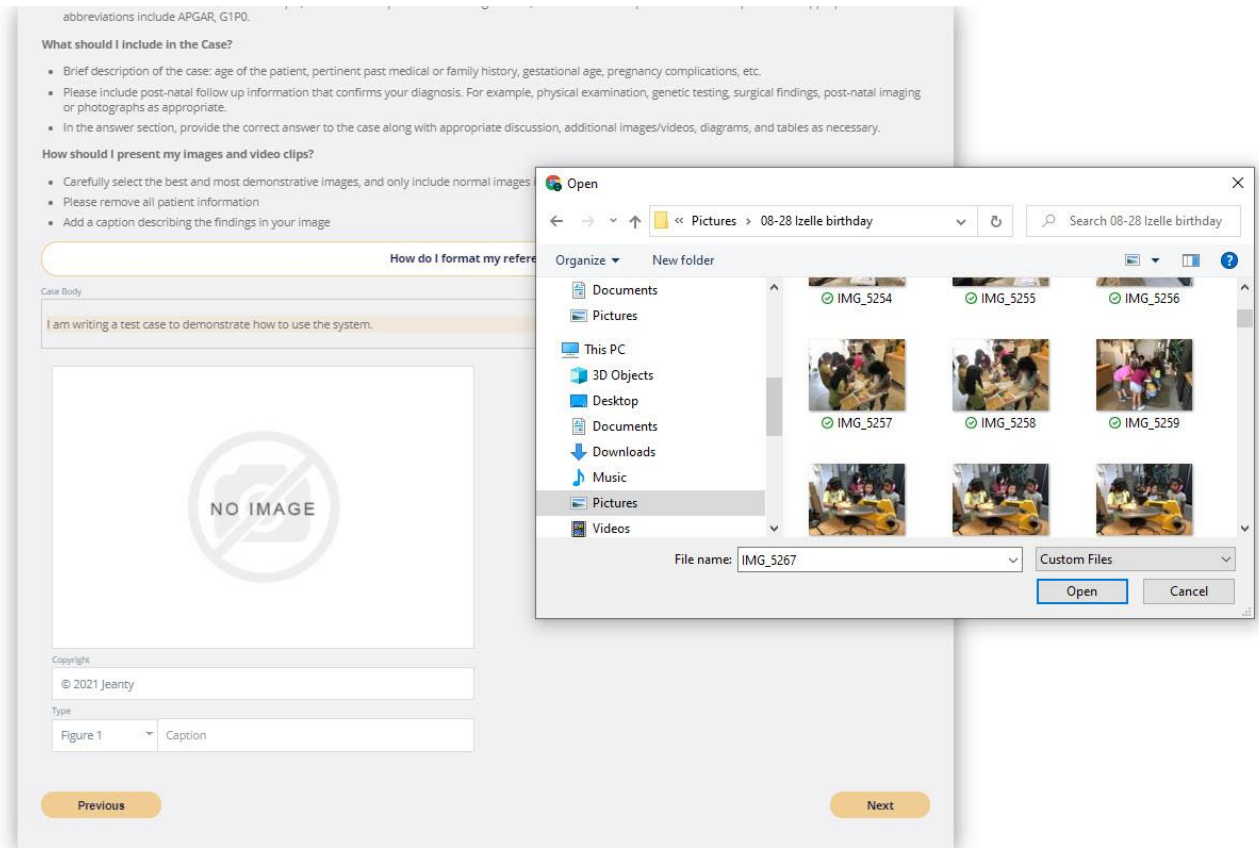
Next

Click a button below to add it to the bottom of the article, or drag and drop to position it within the content.

Add Media

Add Text Field

5. When you add an image or video, a file explorer box will appear. Select the file you would like to add to your case. Accepted file formats for images include jpg, jpeg, png, gif, webp, jfif, bmp, tif, tga, svg and for videos include mov, mp4, avi, mpg, mpeg, wmv, webm. Alternatively, you can drag and drop the image or video into the yellow highlighted box at the bottom of the webpage.



6. If you made a mistake or need to change the order of your images, hover with your mouse over the image. It will become blurry and you will get several options:
- If you need to **change the image**, you can click on the center where it says "Upload replacement." This will bring you back to the file explorer where you can select your replacement image or video.
 - If you need to **change the order** of your images, click on the symbol in the upper left (green circle) and drag the image to your desired location
 - If you need to **delete the image**, click on the red trash icon in the upper right corner of the image.
 - In the highlighted fields below, you can edit the copyright, select the type of media (figure, image, table or video) and add a caption.



7. Once you have finished adding your text, images, videos, and appropriate captions, click “Next” at the bottom right (red box). This will take you to the answer section.

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Case Body

I am writing a test case to demonstrate how to use the system.



Copyright: © 2021 Jeanty

Type: Image 1 Caption: This is my youngest daughter at her preschool graduation



Copyright: © 2021 Jeanty

Type: Image 2 Caption: This is my oldest daughter holding a small frog

I have added another text box

Previous Next

Click a button below to add it to the bottom of the article, or drag and drop to position it within the content.

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8. In the answer section, you can add text, images and videos using the same process as previously described. Notice that this is labeled as the “Case Answer Body” (highlighted in yellow). Click “Finish” when you are done.

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Case Answer Body

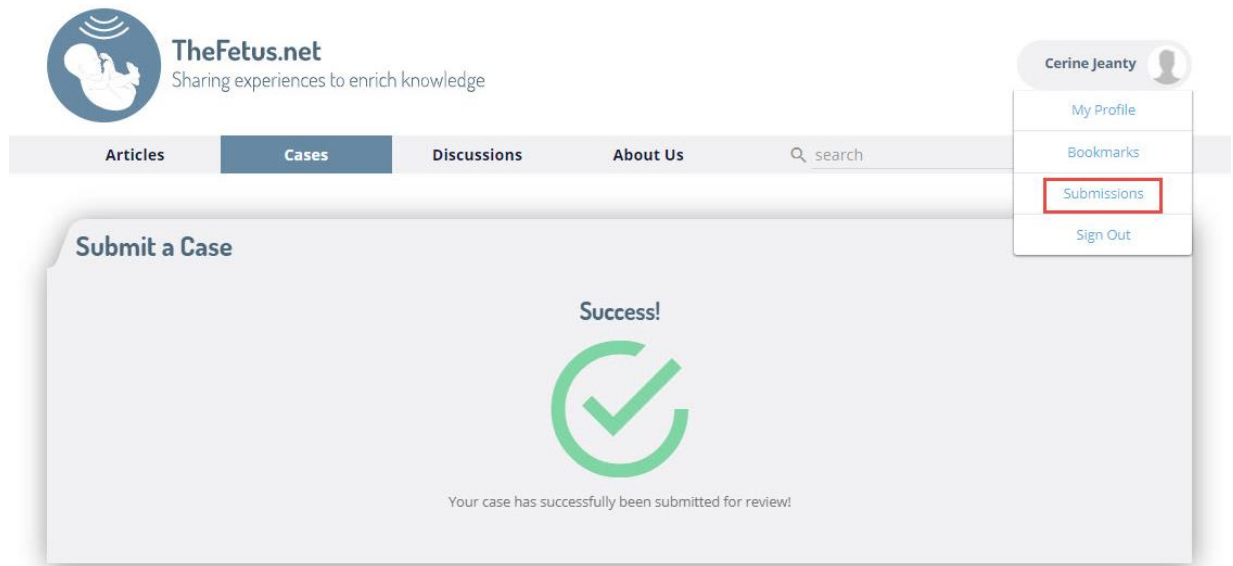
Here you can type the answer for your case report. You can also add more images or videos if it is appropriate.

Previous Finish

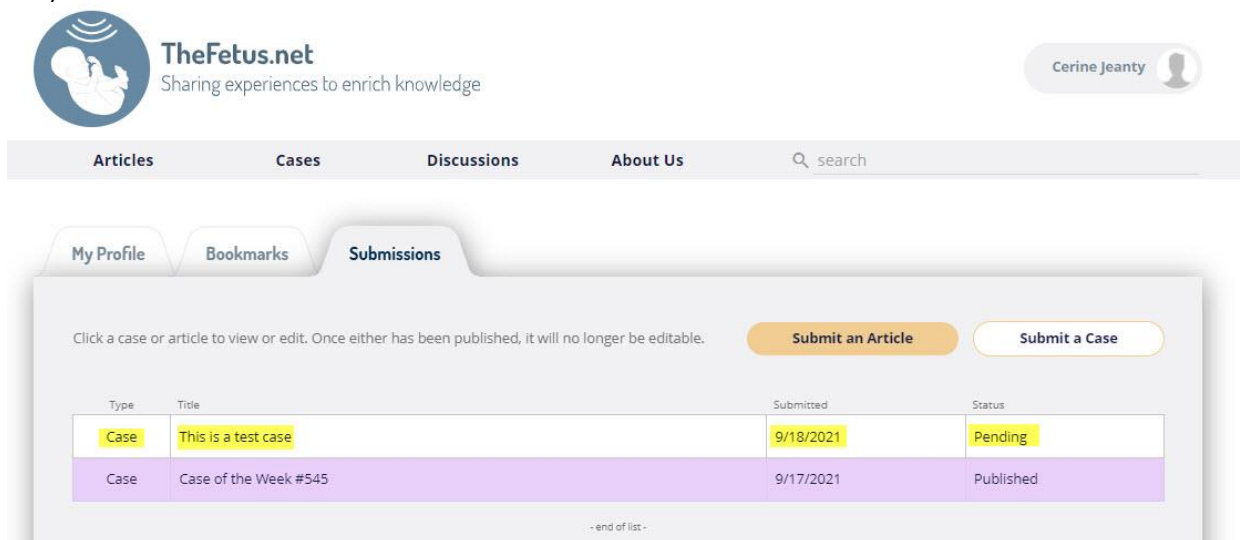
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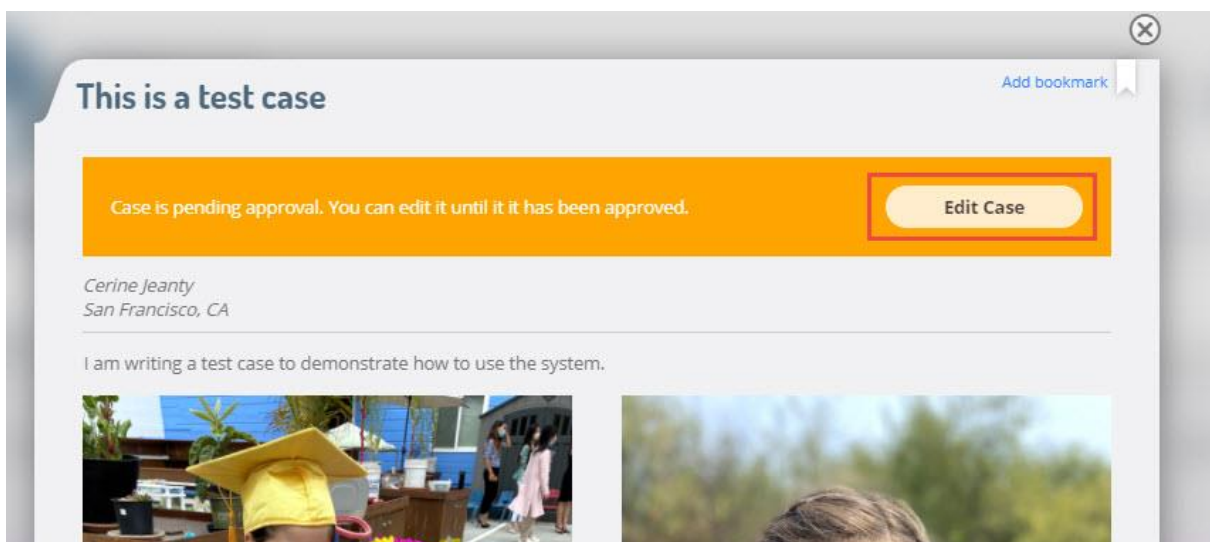
9. If you need to go back and edit your case after you have submitted it, hover over the top right button with your name on it. Here, you will have the option to select “Submissions”



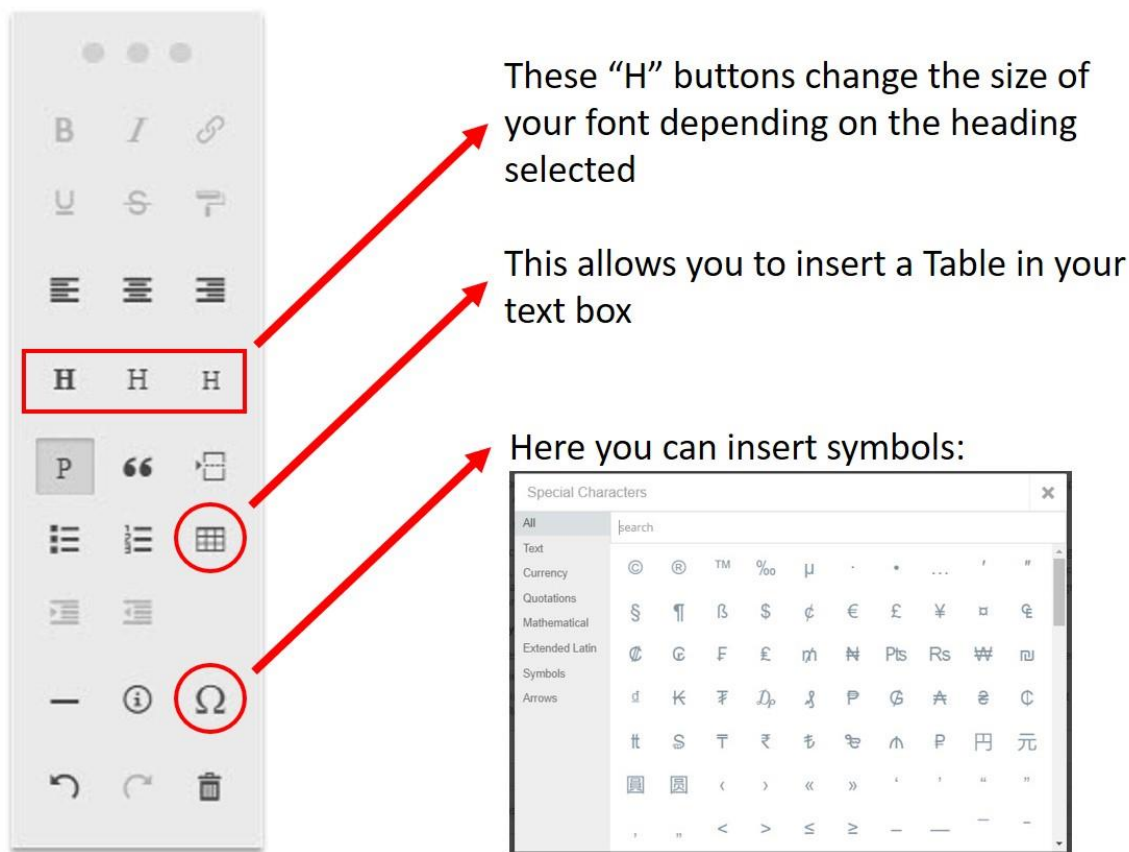
10. By clicking “Submissions”, you will be taken to your profile with a list of all the cases and articles that you have submitted. Here you can click on the submission that you would like to edit or review (highlighted in yellow below).



11. Click “Edit Case” at the top right of the yellow bar



12. You may notice a text editing bar that appears when you are in a text box



These “H” buttons change the size of your font depending on the heading selected

This allows you to insert a Table in your text box

Here you can insert symbols:

13. To insert a Table, select how many columns you would like. The “Table head” button formats the first row as the titles of the columns. The “Table foot” button allows you to add a footer that describes abbreviations, for example.

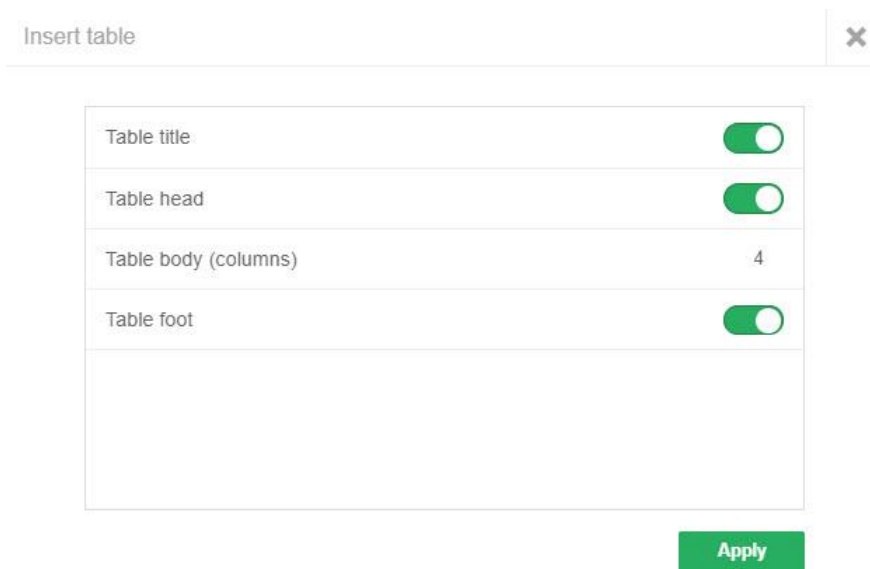


Table title	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Table head	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Table body (columns)	4
Table foot	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Apply

14. Here you see an example table with the “Table head” and “Table foot” highlighted in yellow.

Here you can type the answer for your case report. You can also add more images or videos if it is appropriate. I have also demonstrated what a Table looks like.

Table 1 ...

	SALAD (THESE ARE THE "TABLE HEAD")	SPAGHETTI (THESE ARE THE "TABLE HEAD")	SALMON (THESE ARE THE "TABLE HEAD")
Inca	Yes	Yes	No
Izelle	No	Yes	Yes
Cleo	No	Yes	Yes

This is the "Table foot" where you can define abbreviations used in your table (for example)

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