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Fulminant Sporadic Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease Presenting as Rapidly Progressive Confusion: A Case Report

We describe an elderly woman who presented with a two-week history of progressive confusion and myoclonus, ultimately diagnosed with sporadic Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (sCJD). Despite extensive investigations and empirical treatment for alternative causes, her condition rapidly deteriorated and she died within five weeks of symptom onset. Post-mortem cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) RT-QuIC testing confirmed the diagnosis. This case highlights the diagnostic challenges of sCJD and the importance of early recognition in rapidly progressive dementias.