## Final Diagnosis

## **CNS Lyme Infection**

## Neuroborreliosis (aka CNS Lyme infection)

- LNB occurs in 12% of lyme infected cases
- Bannwarth syndrome: rare, seen more in Europe, may be associated with B garinii and B afezelii, which are more common in Europe, and not B burgdorferi, more common in the USA
  - 1. migrating radicular pain accompanied by peripheral nerve paresis
  - 2. Uni- or bilateral facial palsy
  - 3. CSF pleocytosis
- Clinical manifestations of LNB include:
  - Painful radiculitis in 65.9%
  - Cranial palsy in 43.3%
  - Headache in 28.3%
  - Only 3.2% did not improve with antibiotic therapy
- Steroids may result in worse outcomes