

In each issue, JUCM will challenge your diagnostic acumen with a glimpse of x-rays, electrocardiograms, and photographs of dermatologic conditions that real urgent care patients have presented with. If you would like to submit a case for consideration, please email the relevant materials and presenting information to editor@jucm.com.



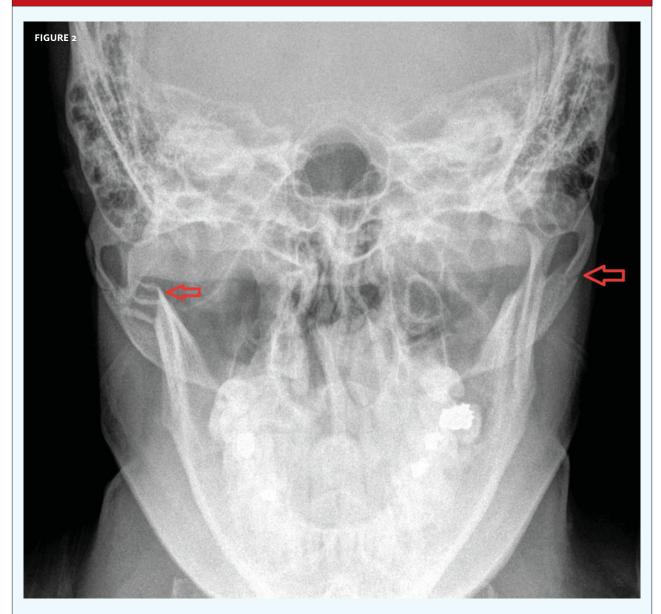
The patient, a 35-year-old male, presented after a blow to the face.

View the image taken (Figure 1) and consider what your diagnosis would be.

Resolution of the case is described on the next page.

INSIGHTS IN IMAGES: CLINICAL CHALLENGE

THE RESOLUTION



Diagnosis: The x-ray reveals fractures of the mandible and zygoma (arrows). Referral to a hospital is appropriate for this patient.

Because of the complexity of facial anatomy and the risk of soft-tissue injury, computed tomography has largely replaced plain films for evaluating facial trauma.

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