

## Telogen-pattern hair loss as a presenting symptom of GAPO syndrome

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**G**APO syndrome is the acronym for Growth retardation, Alopecia, Pseudoanodontia and Optic atrophy. In children, androgenetic alopecia is rarer and its prevalence is not well known. I present to the audience a unique case of GAPO syndrome that presented to us with androgenetic pattern alopecia starting as early as two years of age and progressing within a year to Hamilton–Norwood type VII. I will explore the possible other reasons for such condition and importance of including GAPO syndrome as a differential in diagnosis when a dermatologist, pediatrician or plastic surgeons gets a case like this.

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