A giant neurofibroma

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A 57-year-old manual worker presented with a large lump hanging from his back (Figure 1). Examination showed multiple neurofibromata and café-au-lait patches suggestive of neurofibromatosis type 1. There was a large plexiform neurofibroma on his back. Sheer size of the huge neurofibroma made walking difficult and sleeping uncomfortable for him. There was ulceration of the overlying skin and the patient lost his job due to the difficulty in walking. Excision of the large lump was done under general anaesthesia. Endotracheal intubation was a challenge as the patient was unable to lie supine.

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