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Patient presents with an alternating overabundance and absence of bones. An inquiry into the patient’s lifestyle is conducted to explore possible environmental factors. Patient claims to be twelve years old and is $3'4"$, biscuit-shaped, powdery, but incredibly adept at climbing trees.

Patient complains of electric knee caps and says she can prove she’s female.

She is currently under investigation for a series of thefts involving young mothers forced to watch as the patient made sandwiches and tried to pour herself a glass of honey, which the patient admits she still finds funny. During these incidents the patient has asked to be given the victim’s favorite clean t-shirt and to be tickled under the chin.

She sends the victims thank you cards in which she refers to herself as the newest member of the family and includes stick drawings of relatives and friends gathered outside for a party. She depicts herself as an inky thumb print with huge eyes that is often
floating in the air. Patient compares the pain in her various spines to the plots and sub-plots of an unread novel and her state of mind to the unexpected emotional response one has to the English countryside. Patient is chronically noble but obsessed with squirrel hair, of which she keeps several “lucky” tufts in her pocket.

Patient resides in the woods behind the mall in a lean-to she says she fashioned from gum and the world’s unremitting charity. She collects hobo sacks and ointments that she hopes will help her sleep while her bones come and go. Patient asks repeatedly to sit on my shoulder.

She says she likes her ice cream the same way I do. She has the eyes of an eagle who has learned kindness.

Patient convulses violently but attempts to hide it by crossing her legs and consequently her teeth chip.