

**Table SI. Characteristics of cases**

Case	Age/Sex	Diagnosis	WBC/ $\mu$ l	CRP, mg/dl	CK, U/l	LRINEC score	PCT, ng/ml
1	60s/M	NF	11,100	33.89	14,390	8	74.40
2	30s/F	NF	7,600	23.92	507	8	19.96
3	30s/F	NF	17,500	4.46	544	6	175.10
4	40s/F	CE	18,100	29.30	251	10	5.88
5	80s/F	CE	16,600	24.17	58	9	5.05
6	60s/F	CE	14,600	18.03	28	8	3.54
7	80s/F	CE	13,000	18.47	31	6	3.18
8	60s/F	CE	11,200	16.83	1,849	6	0.51
9	60s/M	CE	14,900	28.78	525	5	1.55
10	50s/F	CE	14,600	19.08	20	4	0.74
11	70s/F	CE	12,000	18.35	99	4	3.61
12	50s/F	CE	13,700	17.64	25	4	0.00
13	60s/M	CE	17,900	0.75	185	3	3.87
14	80s/M	CE	14,400	10.17	148	3	0.15
15	80s/F	CE	6,300	8.61	42	2	0.00
16	50s/M	CE	18,100	7.64	52	2	0.29
17	80s/F	CE	12,100	9.54	39	2	0.06
18	70s/M	CE	17,200	0.27	47	2	3.85
19	80s/M	CE	17,500	11.45	64	2	0.12
20	70s/M	CE	24,500	14.01	49	2	0.24
21	60s/F	CE	6,800	6.58	23	2	0.41
22	20s/M	CE	12,000	1.36	87	0	0.00
23	70s/F	CE	9,200	13.04	72	0	0.29
24	60s/M	CE	9,900	9.18	48	0	0.05

NF: necrotizing fasciitis, CE: cellulitis; WBC: white blood cells; CRP: C-reactive protein; CK: creatine kinase; LRINEC: Laboratory Risk Indicator for Necrotizing Fasciitis; PCT: procalcitonin.