

SOCIETY PROCEEDINGS

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Lupus Erythematosus Hypertrophicus et Profundus

Presented by Kai Dammert

A 69-year-old female, who, from 1944 to 1961, had a butterfly-figure-like eruption in her face. Finsen-treatment and streptomycin were administered because she was suspected. The skin of the cheeks healed and scarred. In 1963 a soft tumour began to grow on the scar-area of the left cheek (Fig. 1). The tumour was excised on suspicion of carcinoma.

Histology: The epidermis was irregularly atrophic and acanthotic. Hyperkeratotic plaques were seen on its surface. The basal layer displayed occasionally liquefied cells. Dermal adnexes were surrounded by a tight lymphocytic infiltration, which was also seen deep in the lower parts of the dermis (Fig. 2).

Comment: A very rare case of lupus erythematosus hypertrophicus et profundus. Skin hypertrophy of this extent is very unusual.

Cutis Laxa

Presented by Kirsti Kuokkanen

The patient was a 24-year-old man, whose facial skin at the age of 17 became slack and began to hang in folds (Fig. 3). There was no history of a corresponding case in the family. Examination revealed that the skin of the upper trunk was more flaccid than in other regions.

Histology: Collagen was normal in structure, but elastica-staining revealed that elastic fibres had decreased in number.

Dystrophia Unguis Mediana Canaliformis

Presented by Katri Rehtijärvi

A 43-year-old female whose nails were normal until the age of 10 years. Thereafter first transverse striae appeared on the thumbnails and later a longitudinal striae which partly split the nail (Fig. 4). The deformity disappeared for a time, but reappeared later, and for the past 10 years it has remained.



Fig. 1. Lupus erythematosus hypertrophicus et profundus.