中文題目:一位第2型糖尿病患者之痂皮性疥瘡併顯著嗜伊紅性白血球增加

英文題目: Crusted Scabies with Marked Eosinophilia in a Patient with Type 2

Diabetes Mellitus

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Crusted scabies, or Norwegian scabies, is an atypical and rare form of scabies. It is usually associated with immunocompromised conditions including diabetes mellitus and neurological impairments resulting in sensorial deficits and physical disability. The diagnosis of crusted scabies is often missed initially because of unfamiliarity with the disease. Misdiagnosis, delayed treatment, or inadequate isolation measures of this disease can lead to spreading of scabies infestation among family members and in institutions including nursing homes and hospitals. Eosinophilia is common in patients with crusted scabies. We report one case of crusted scabies in a patient with type 2 diabetes mellitus with poor glycemic control. He had severe disability related to multiple diabetic complications and mental degeneration. Diffusely psoriasiform and hyperkeratotic lesions and marked eosinophilia were noted. Microscopic examination of skin scrapings confirmed the diagnosis. Three nurses of the hospital had suffered from outbreak infections related to delayed diagnosis. More intense isolation precautions should be used than in other commonly seen infectious diseases spreading via contact routes. Severe pruritus and typical skin lesions in a patient with immunosuppression or neurological impairments raise the suspicion of crusted scabies, and eosinophilia, if appearing, is one of diagnostic clues.

Figure 1:

(A) Diffuse erythematous papules on the right chest. (B) Multiple wounds due to scratching on the right shoulder and the right upper arm.

Figure 2:

(A) Brownish and yellowish crusts on the right palm. (B) Desquamation, hyperkeratosis, and crusts on the left sole.

Figure 3:

Desquamation, hyperkeratosis, and a wart-like plaque on the stump of the right leg.

Figure 4:

(A) Many eggs and Sarcoptes scabiei mites on microscopic examination of scraped scales in 20% potassium hydroxide (× 40). (B) Two Sarcoptes scabiei mites (× 100).

Figure 1A



Figure 1B



Figure 2A



Figure 2B



Figure 3



Figure 4A



Figure 4B

