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Prurigo Nodularis: A Rare Case

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1. The Legend of The Image

A rare skin condition known as Prurigo Nodularis (PN) is characterized by extremely itchy lesions that are well-defined, scaly, hard, and hyperkeratotic itchy nodules. Usually, the lesions are symmetrically spread over the trunk and extremities. The nodules are caused by strong, continuous skin rubbing and scratching, albeit the precise source is unknown. A 24 year old female patient came to OPD (out patient department) with complaints of itchy skin lesions over both feets since 6 months. A physical examination revealed several distinct, scaly, hyperpigmented nodules with erosions over both feets with violaceous borders. Patient was treated with clobetasol propionate 0.05% cream and sodium fusidate 2% ointment applied locally over nodules twice daily & also levocetirizine 5 mg tablet twice a day & cyclosporine given orally. She get significant relief from itchy skin lesions & hyperpigmented nodules.

2. Differential Diagnosis

Lichen simplex chronicus, Pemphigoid nodularis.

3. Final Diagnosis

Prurigo Nodularis



Figure 1 & 2: Both feets with hyperpigmented nodules surrounded by violaceous borders with erosions. United Prime Publications. LLC., clinandmedimages.com