Darier's disease with guttate leukoderma: correlation of dermoscopic and histological findings



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Background

- ☐ Darier's disease is an autosomal dominant disorder of ☐ Multiple skin colored to hyperpigmented greasy keratinization caused by mutations in ATP2A2 gene.
- ☐ Characterized by greasy, hyperkeratotic papules predominantly in a seborrheic distribution.
- ☐ Guttate leukoderma has been described as a rare manifestation of Darier's disease

Clinical history

- ☐ Fifteen-year-old boy with multiple itchy hyperpigmented papules over face and trunk with hypopigmented macules over limbs for last 8 years.
- Exacerbation of itching over lesions in summers, especially with sweating.
- ☐ Hypopigmented macules were not preceded by any inflammatory lesions.
- □ Similar lesions were also noted in his mother.



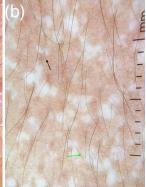




Clinical examination

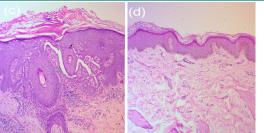
- papules and plaques over the face, predominantly at the centro-facial area and the upper trunk.
- ☐ Multiple hypopigmented macules, 1-4 mm in size, over bilateral upper limbs.
- ☐ Punctate depressions were seen on palms while nails and oral cavity were within normal limits.





Dermoscopic examination

- Facial papules central brownish area (blue arrow) with a thin whitish halo (oval shape) and fine white scales (green arrow).
- Hypopigmented lesions- multiple depigmented areas (black arrow) of variable size and shapes, confluent at places (green arrow).



Skin biopsy

- Papule over chest hyperkeratosis, parakeratosis, acanthosis, suprabasal cleft and dyskeratotic cells in form of corps ronds and grains.
- Hypopigmented macule within normal limits.

Conclusion

- □ Brownish white scales areas and fine histopathologically correspond marked to hyperkeratosis and parakeratosis while a peripheral whitish halo correlates with marked acanthosis.
- ☐ Dermoscopic evaluation may help in early recognition of these lesions in a patient with Darier's disease which may allow earlier diagnosis and appropriate counselling to patients and family member.

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