



ATOPIC ECZEMA/DERMATITIS

WHAT ABOUT THE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN “DARTERS” AND OXYROSE?

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Background: “Darters” are described as erythemato-squamous macules, are very limited and always evolve into post inflammatory hypo pigmentation. It is a frequent illness which is usually found in children between the age of 3 and 16 years old. Consultations are generally motivated by the observance of hypochromic macules. Unfortunately, at this stage of the illness, we do not have efficient therapeutic tools. The association between “darters” and oxyrose is classically reported by older writers. However, the study of this association is not present in more recent studies.

Patients and methods: After a recent case which associates “darters” and oxyrose we have decided to search systematically for an oxyrose in all the children who consult for “darters”.

Observations and results: We report the preliminary results of this study. We have gathered 6 cases (5 boys, 1 girl) of darters during the month of July 2018. The average age of our patients was 6,5 years. The main location of “darters” was the face. Our first 6 patients all had an oxyrose associated to their “darters”. Half of them (3 patients) were atopic.

key message: The association between “darters” and oxyrose is an old notion which was the subject of reports by numerous writers. However, we do not find publications studying this association nowadays. Our preliminary results are limited by the number of patients; nevertheless, all our 6 first cases had an oxyrose. This encourages us to continue our study to confirm our preliminary results. By the end of this survey, we also hope to check the evolution of darters after the treatment of the oxyrose. New physiopathological hypothesis might be presented if this association will ever be confirmed.

