DERMATOPATHOLOGY

GRANULOMATOUS SLACK SKIN SYNDROME: CASE REPORT

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INTRODUCTION: We report a case of granulomatous slack skin (GSS), and review the literature on this entity. Granulomatous slack skin is a very rare subtype of T-cell cutaneous lymphoma, characterized by the slow development of cutaneous sagging, especially on flexural areas. Histology shows an elastolytic granulomatous infiltrate, with atypical lymphoid cells, and occasional epidermotropism.

METHODOLOGY: A 38- year-old male presented with GSS cutaneous T-cell lymphoma, with complains about the increase of axillary lymph nodes, to redundant folds of loose skin, appetite disturbances, fatigue, and pain in the location of enlarged lymph nodes. Our patient’s disease progression was clearly demonstrated by clinically and by histological slides. The diagnosis was established based mostly on clinical findings.

CONCLUSION: GSS is a rare disease. For this way the patient has not been correctly diagnosed and was taken wrong treatment about 5 years. Only the correlation of the clinical and the histological cutaneous findings allowed the redirection of the diagnosis towards T-cell cutaneous lymphoma.

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