



DERMATOPATHOLOGY

UNCOMMON GENERALIZED CUTANEOUS RETICULOHISTIOCYTOSIS DEMONSTRATING SHAWL-LIKE SIGN: A CASE REPORT

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Background: The reticulohistiocytoses are a rare group of non-Langerhans cell histiocytoses with a clinical spectrum of diseases range from a solitary cutaneous lesion or with both cutaneous and systemic involvement. Generalized cutaneous reticulohistiocytosis, as in our case, is a rare subtype of reticulohistiocytoses without extracutaneous involvement.

Observation: A 71-year-old male complained with multiple papules and nodules on his neck for more than one year. Interestingly, the distribution of the lesions was shawl-like . Laboratory examination did not show significant abnormal or extracutaneous involvement. Eventually, the diagnosis of generalized cutaneous reticulohistiocytosis was made based on the characteristic histopathological findings and immunophenotype. The lesions improved well after 2-month treatment of oral prednisone.

Key message: Generalized cutaneous reticulohistiocytosis, an uncommon variant of multicentric reticulohistiocytosis, can present atypical lesions and distribution. In our case, prednisone seems effective for the management.

