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EXTRA FACIAL ROSACEA: A CASE REPORT

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Introduction: Rosacea is a common dermatosis showing a wide range of clinical features such as telangiectasia, erythema, papules, and pustules on the central part of face. Extrafacial locations of rosacea are rare. We report the case of a woman presenting rosacea with scalp location.

Observation: An eighty-five years old woman consulted us for flushing, erythema and appearance of papules and pustules on the face evolving since 14 years with facial flushing. There was no history of systemic or topical steroid application. Physical examination showed erythema with pustules located on the mid-forehead the nose and the cheeks. The frontal scalp was erythematous. Dermoscopy of the scalp revealed vascular polygons as already reported by Lallas et al. and erythema. The dermoscopic aspect of the lesion of the face was follicular papules and pustules, vascular polygons and erythematous background. The search for demodex was positive. Based on clinical and dermoscopic findings, the diagnosis of papulo pustular rosacea with scalp involvement was retained.

Key message: Rosacea is a common chronic inflammatory disorder involving the central part of face (forehead, cheeks, and nose). Eye involvement is common. Other extra facial manifestations have been rarely described. Rosacea affecting the scalp is unusual with few reports in the literature. Facial rosacea is most commonly observed in young women aged between 30 and 40. Cases of scalp rosacea were mostly described in aged bald man exposed to UV radiation. To the best of our knowledge, only one report affecting the hairy scalp has been published.



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