



MELANOMA AND MELANOCYTIC NAEVI

DEEP PENETRATING NEVUS: A CASE REPORT.

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Background : Deep penetrating naevus (DPN) is a composite or dermal nevus with an intermediate aspect between a Spitz nevus and a cellular blue nevus. We report a congenital case.

Observation : An 11-year-old girl with no noticeable disease history who consulted for a congenital pigmented lesion of the large right lip. The clinical examination found a bluish nodule measuring approximately 1.5 cm long axis. The dermoscopic aspect was in favor of a deep melanocytic lesion of the blue nevus type. Surgical excision carrying the lesion to the fascia was performed at the age of 11 years in the prepubertal period. The anatomopathological analysis found a dermo-hypodermic melanocyte proliferation forming regular cell flows with abundant cytoplasm punctuated by fine grains of pigments. It was not seen cytological atypia. The morphological aspect was in favor of a DPN type lesion.

Conclusion : We present a rare case of congenital deep penetrating naevus of the large right lip. The initial clinical presentation and histological analysis of these lesions may be confusing and misdiagnosis of melanoma.

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