



INFECTIOUS DISEASES (BACTERIAL, FUNGAL, VIRAL, PARASITIC, INFESTATIONS)

ATYPICAL MYCOBACTERIAL INFECTIONS IN MEXICO.

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These cutaneous infections are usually due to trauma, surgery or cosmetic procedures. Clinical features are: pustules, abscess, ulcers, panniculitis or nodular lesions. Presence of AFB is confirmed by Ziehl-Neelsen or Kinyoun stains, histopathology, culture or molecular biology.

In Mexico we have studied lymphadenitis, Buruli ulcer, abscess due to mycobacteria, swimming pool granuloma due to *Mycobacterium marinum*, mycobacterial infections in AID due to *mycobacterium avim-intracellulare*, nosocomial epidemic due to postsurgical procedures, cases due to mesotherapy, liposuction, tattoos and acupuncture. By PC we have isolated *M. abscessus* 10, *M. masiliense* 9, *M. fortuitum* 8, *M. chelonae* 4, *M. mageritense*, *M. flavesens* 2, *M. marsellense*, *M. vulneris*, *M. kansasii*, *M. marinum*, *M. fuerth* 1.

Mycobacterial infection are common in Mexico and all clinical forms have been observed.

