



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

## DERMATOPHYTE INFECTIONS IN IMMUNOCOMPROMISED PATIENTS

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Dermatophytes are keratinophilic filamentous fungi, which infects keratinized tissues such as skin, hair and nails. The infections are commonly seen in all populations, but tend to be more widespread or deep (Majocchi's granuloma) in immunocompromised patients. The proximal subungual type of onychomycosis may also be a clinical sign of immunosuppression, which may be either primary or secondary (e.g. HIV infection and patients receiving immunosuppressive treatment). This presentation will focus on the clinical characteristics as well as diagnostic and treatment challenges of dermatophyte infections in immunocompromised patients.

