

# **Patología cutánea en el paciente sometido a agentes citostáticos**

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# EFECTOS ADVERSOS CUTÁNEOS DE LA QUIMIOTERAPIA ANTINEOPLASICA

- CITOSTÁTICOS CLÁSICOS
  - Daño frente a células con alta capacidad de replicación
  - Patrones de reacción comunes a diferentes agentes
  - Reacciones tóxicas similares a la toxicidad medular o digestiva
  - Dosis dependiente
  - Lesiones cutáneas ocasionalmente toxicidad limitante de dosis
- AGENTES FRENTE A DIANAS MOLECULARES
  - Daño frente a vías de señalización
  - Patrones de reacción dependientes de la diana bloqueada
  - No siempre dosis dependiente
  - Lesiones cutáneas frecuentemente toxicidad limitante de dosis

# NUEVOS TRATAMIENTOS ANTINEOPLASICOS

## SEÑALIZACION EXTRACEL

## MEMBRANA CELULAR

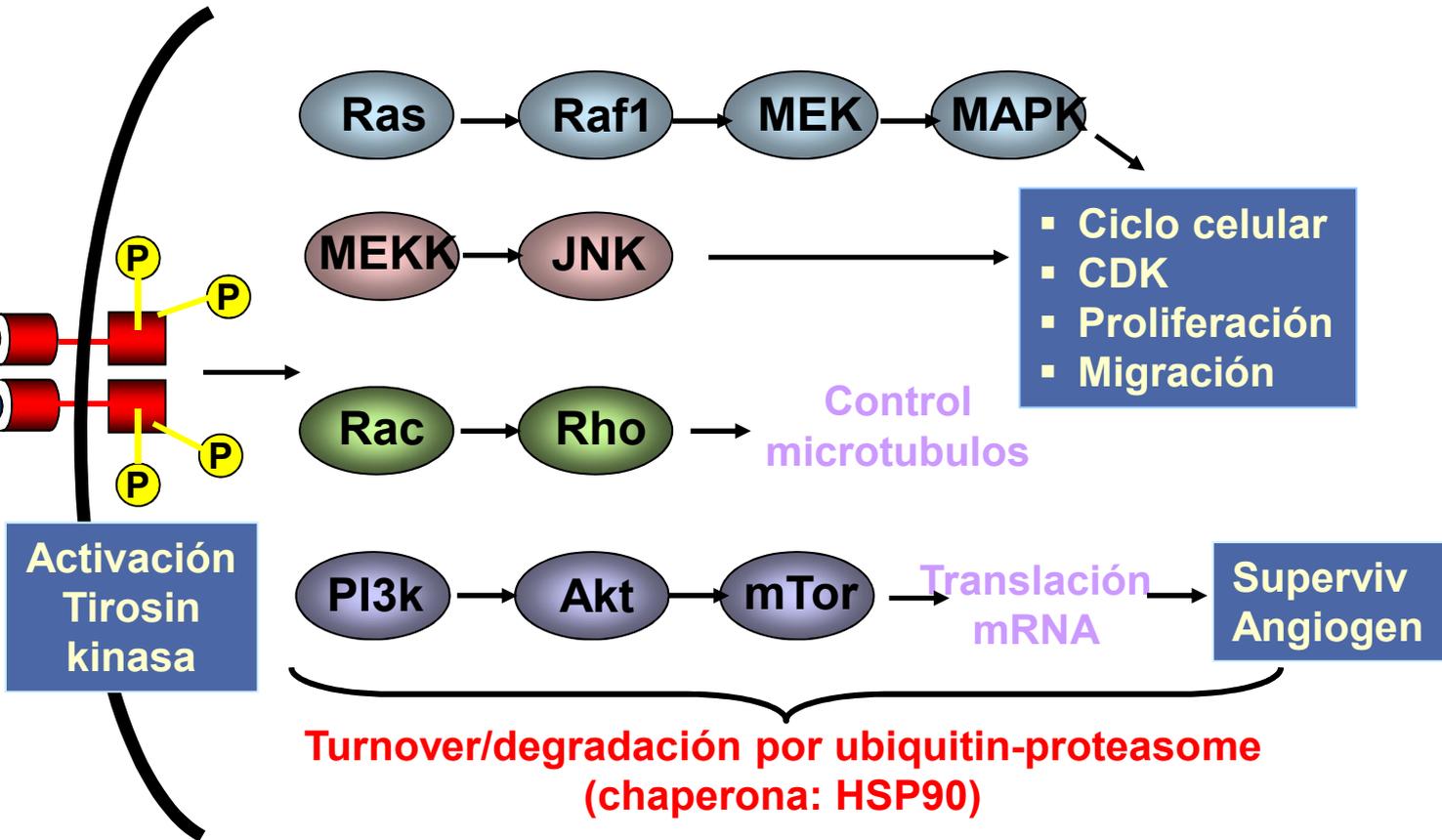
## SEÑALIZACION INTRACELULAR

Familia HER  
EGFr, HER2/neu

PDGFr, c-KITr

IGFr, citokinas,  
etc.

Fosfolipidos,  
e.g. LPA



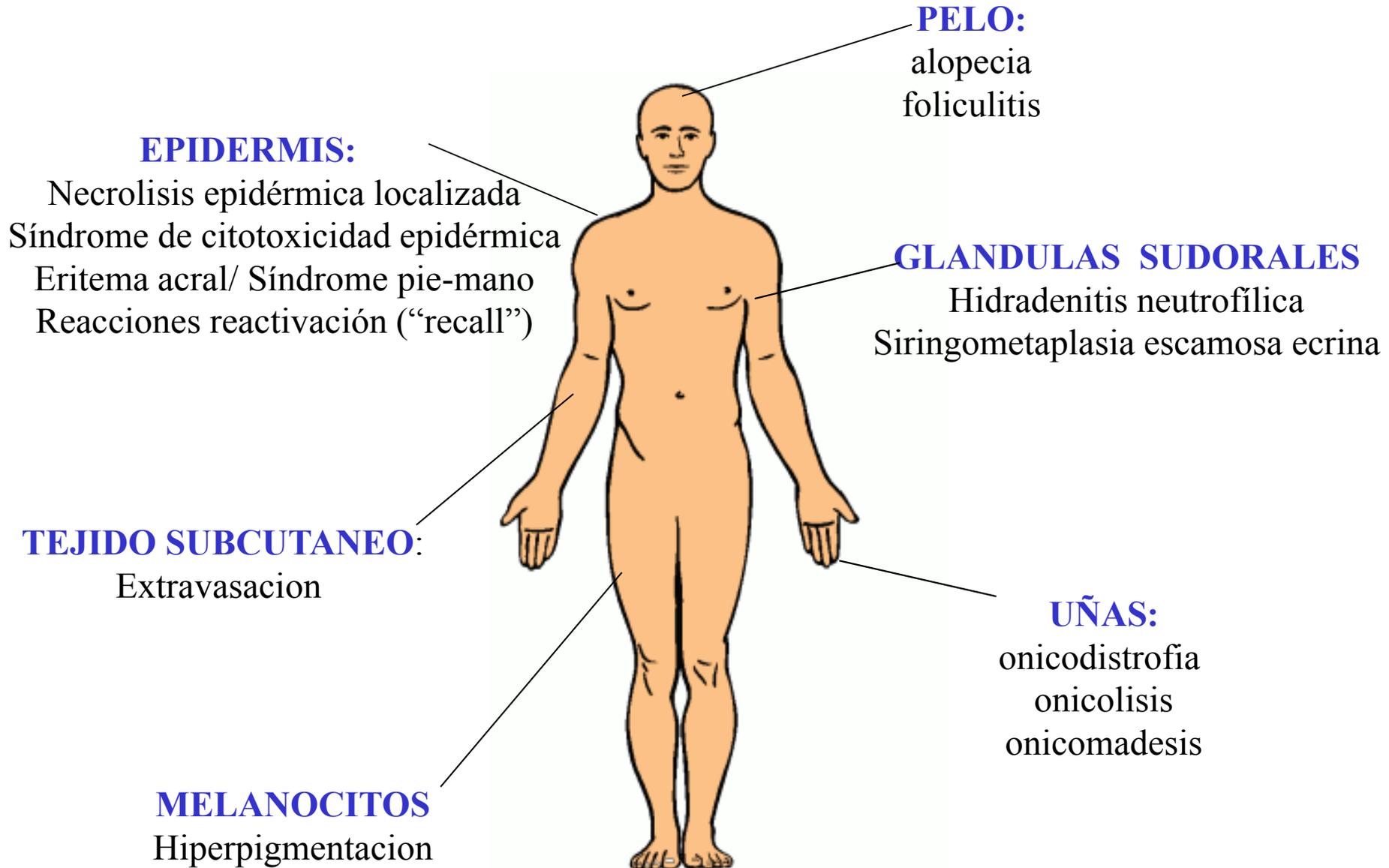
## Incidencia de lesiones cutáneas en el paciente sometido a QT convencional

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Nº pacientes oncológicos incluidos	600	2186
Incidencia de lesiones cutáneas	28'9%	23'14% (506/2186)
Incidencia metástasis cutáneas	4'5%	2'29%
Infecciones cutáneas	4'6%	3'8%
Síndromes paraneoplásicos	6%	2'1%
Reactivación de dermatosis previas	2%	1'78%
Toxicodermias por otros fcos,	--	1'1%
Lesiones cutáneas inducidas por QT	10'11%	12'07% (264/2186)

# Lesiones cutáneas inducidas por QT convencional

- Incidencia de lesiones cutáneas atribuibles al tratamiento citostático (10-12% pacientes)
- Los agentes citostáticos pueden producir lesiones cutáneas por dos mecanismos:
  - Como cualquier otro fármaco, reacciones de hipersensibilidad. Solo 1 de cada 6
  - En base a su capacidad citotóxica dañando células diana en epidermis y anejos cutáneos con elevada tasa mitótica. 5 de cada 6

# LESIONES CUTANEAS INDUCIDAS POR CITOTOXICIDAD



## Toxic erythema of chemotherapy: A useful clinical term

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VOLUME 59, NUMBER 3

*Bologna, Cooper, and Glusac* 525

- ERITEMA TOXICO DE LA QT
- Término propuesto por J Bologna
- Unifica diferentes entidades descritas en la literatura y que cursan con daño epidérmico y ecrino
- Permite comunicación con el oncólogo
- Pretende reflejar la naturaleza no alérgica y no infecciosa de una erupción cutánea durante la QT

### Table II. Entities within the spectrum of toxic erythema of chemotherapy<sup>2,3,18-28</sup>

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AraC (cytarabine) ears
Burgdorf's reaction
Chemotherapy-associated eccrine reactions
Eccrine squamous syringometaplasia, chemotherapy-induced
Epidermal dysmaturation, chemotherapy-induced
Epidermal dystrophy (secondary to cytotoxic agents*)
Erythrodysesthesia
Acral erythema
Acral erythrodysesthesia
Chemotherapy-induced acral erythema (CIAE or CAE)
Hand-foot syndrome
Palmar-plantar erythema
Palmar-plantar (palmoplantar) erythrodysesthesia
Toxic acral erythema
Toxic erythema of the palms and soles
Intertriginous eruption associated with chemotherapy
Intertrigo-like eruption, chemotherapy-induced
Flexural erythematous eruption (following autologous PBSCT)
Intertrigo dermatitis
Neutrophilic eccrine hidradenitis, chemotherapy-associated
Chemotherapy-induced hidradenitis
Drug-induced hidradenitis

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# Eritema tóxico de la quimioterapia convencional

- Lesiones en la zona de inyección
- Erupciones difusas epidérmicas
- Erupciones en pliegues (afectación sudoral)
- Reacciones de reactivación (recall)
- Eritema acral inducido por la quimioterapia

# Afectación epidérmica por QT convencional

**Necrolisis epidérmica en el punto de inyección**

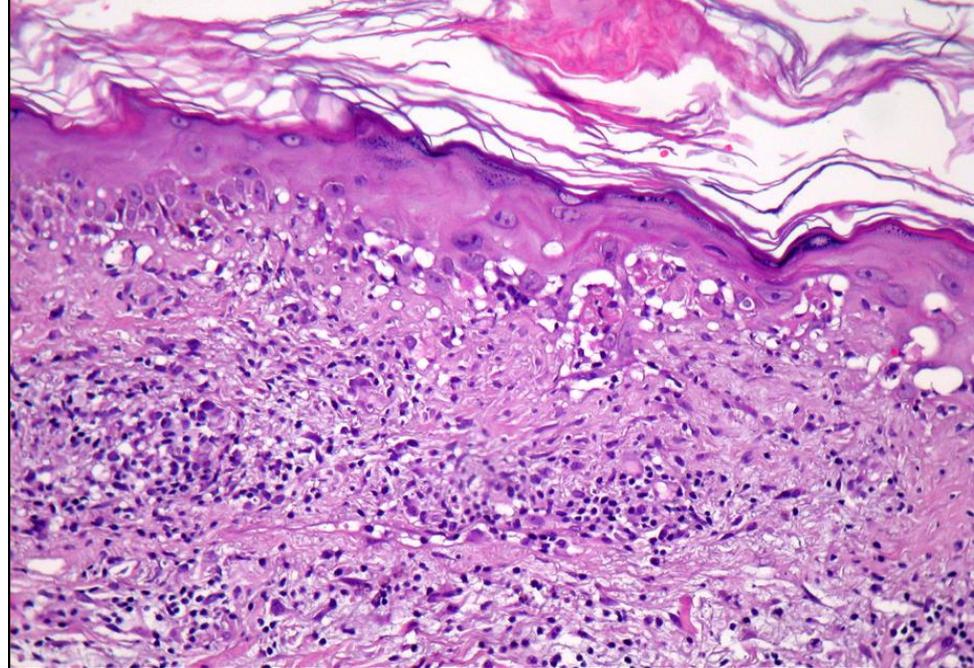
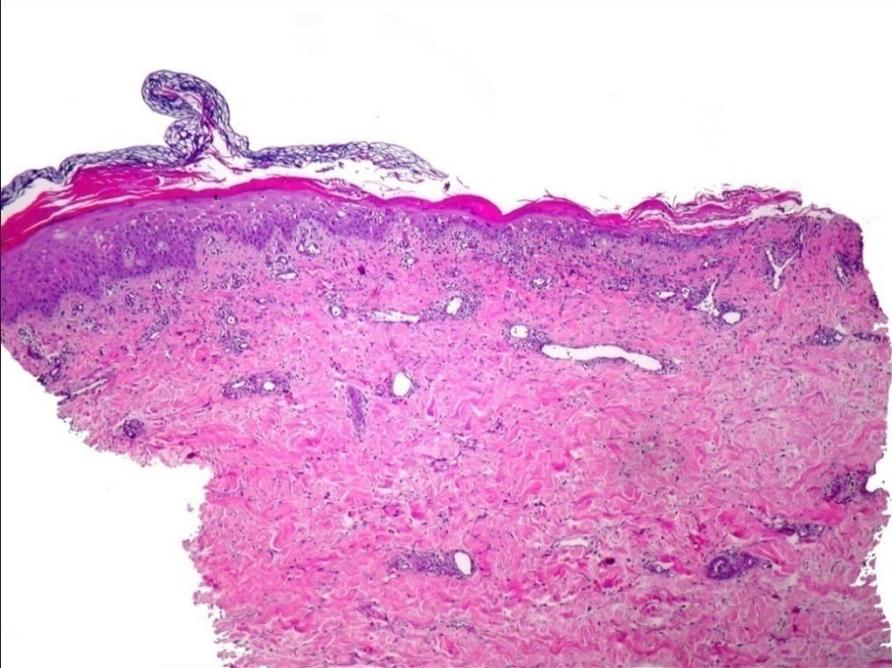


**Erupciones difusas**

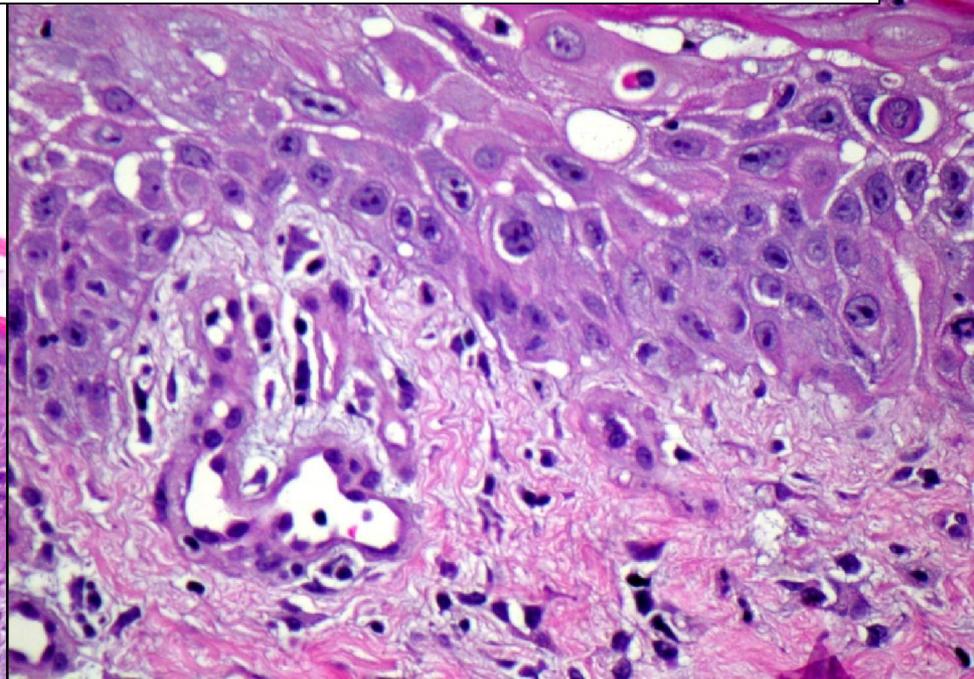
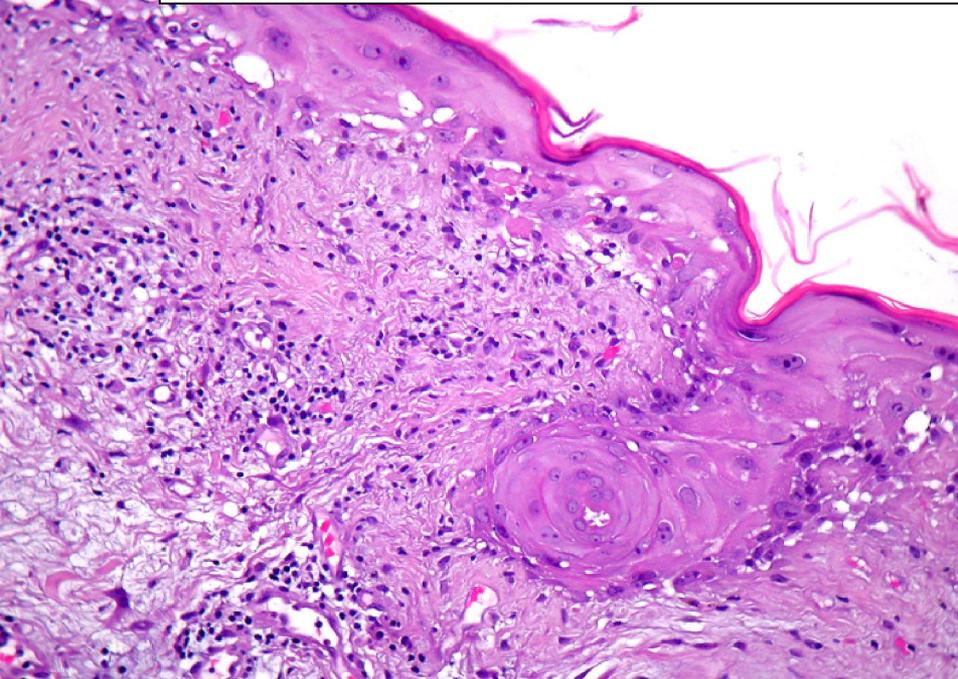


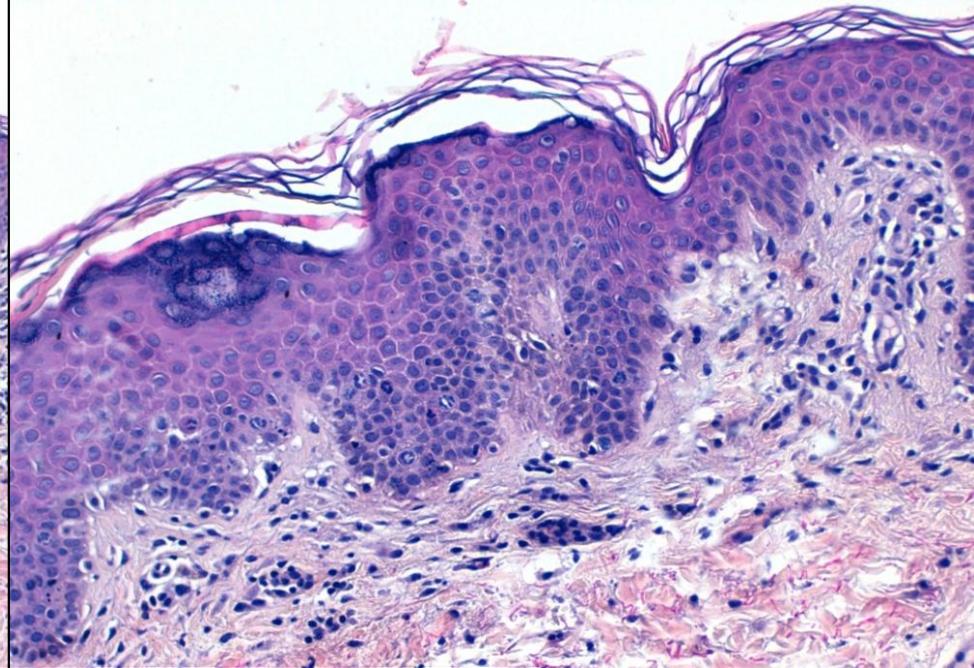
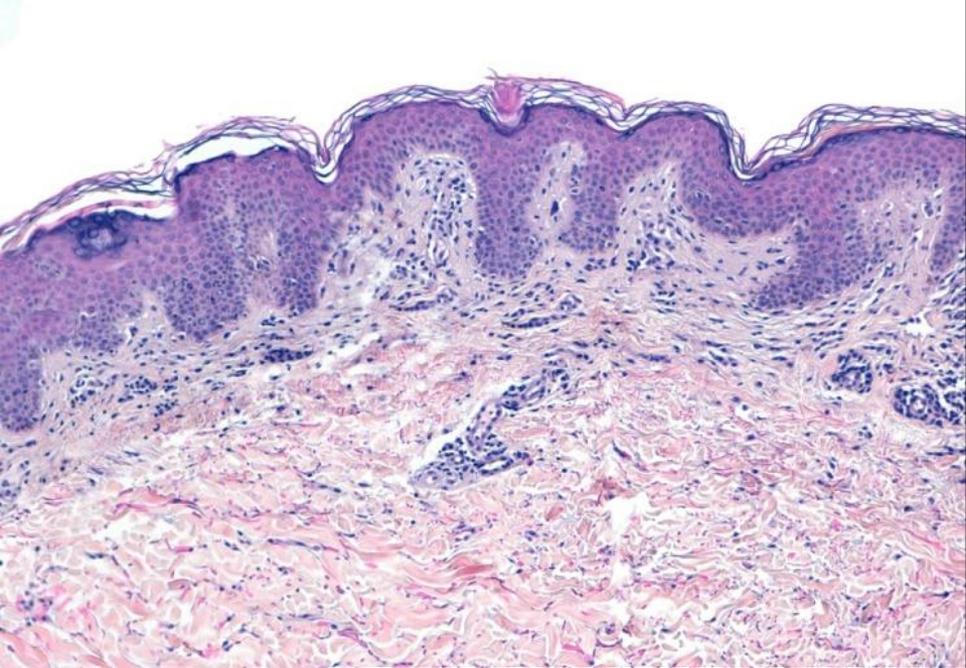
**Reacciones recall**





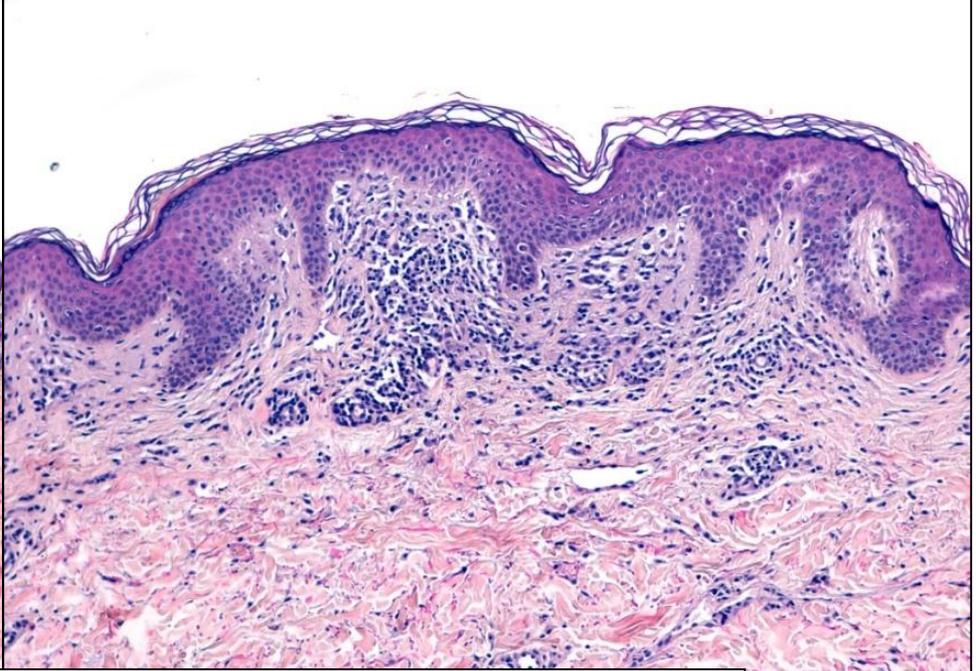
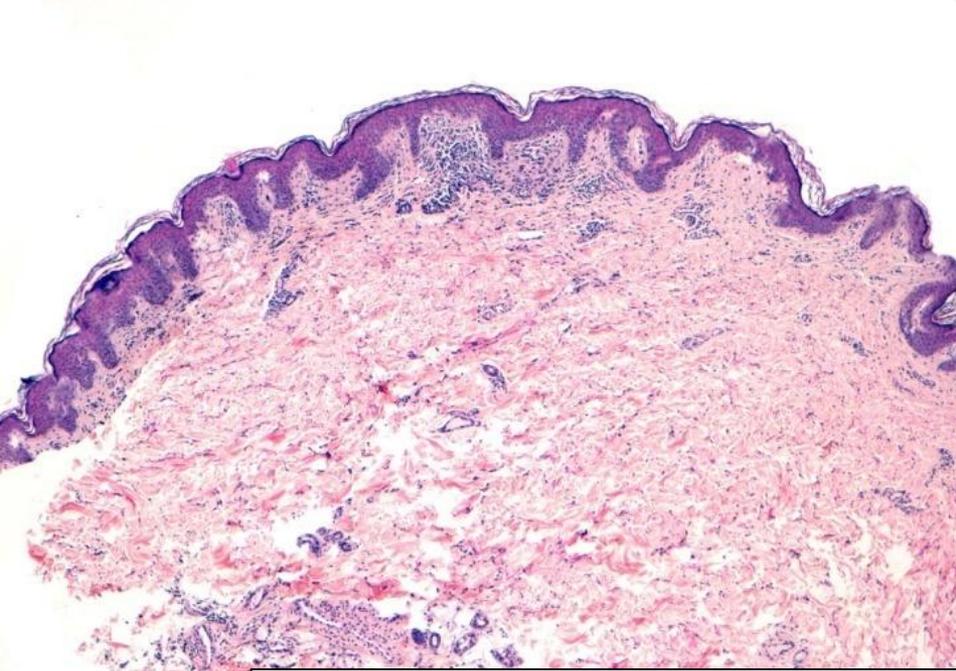
dermatitis de interfase pobremente celular, atrofia y necrosis queratinocitos



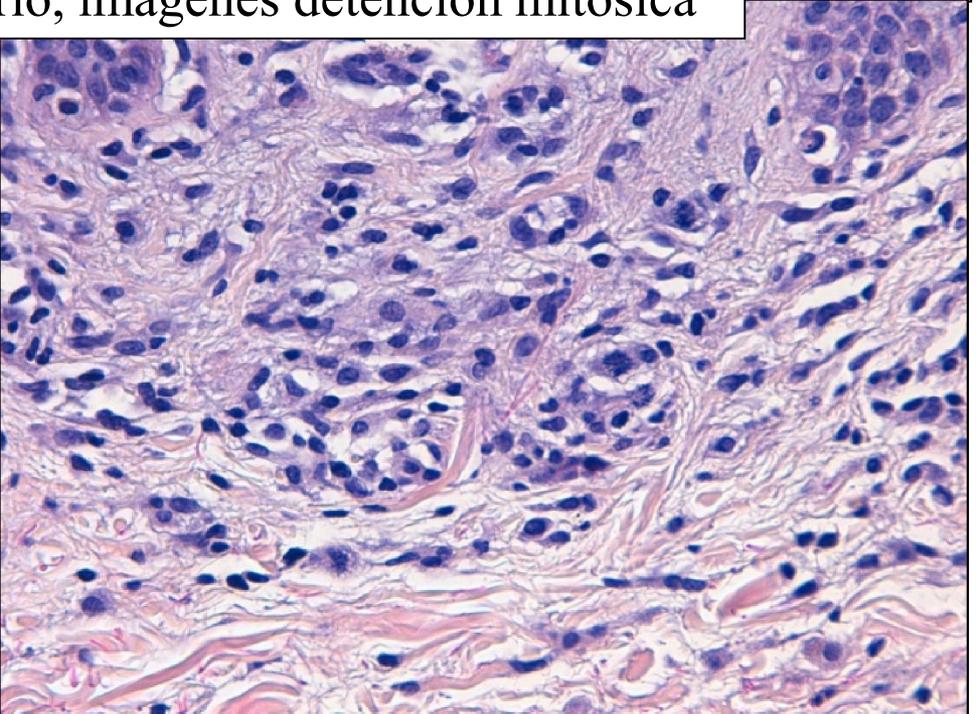
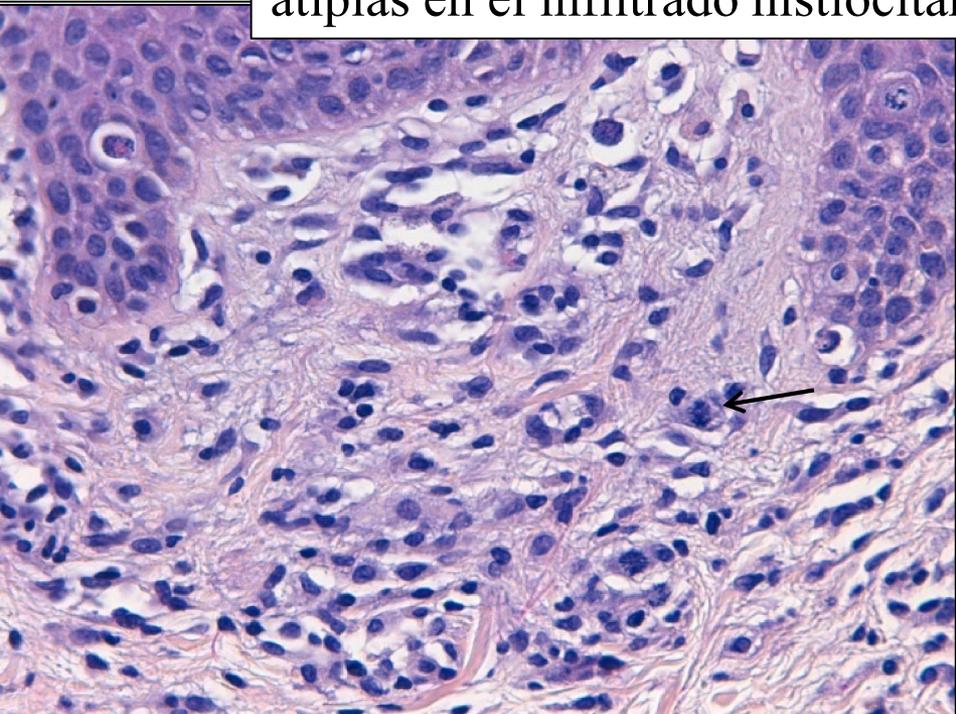


pérdida de polaridad , imágenes de detención mitótica





atipias en el infiltrado histiocitario, imágenes detención mitótica



# Necrolisis epidérmica localizada en el punto de inyección

Eritema  
multiforme-like



Erupción fija por  
fármacos-like



Erupción suprav.  
persistente



Taxanos. Vinorelbina. 5 FU

# CTCAE 4.03, june 2010

## Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders

- Alopecia
- Body odor
- Bullous dermatitis
- Dry skin
- Erythema multiforme
- Erythroderma
- Fat atrophy
- Hirsutism
- Hiperhidrosis
- Hipertrichosis
- Hipohidrosis
- Lipohypertrophy
- Nail discoloration
- Nail loss
- Nail ridging
- Pain of skin
- Palmar-plantar erythrodysesthesia syndrome
- Periorbital edema
- Photosensitivity
- Pruritus
- Purpura
- Rash acneiform
- Rash maculo-papular
- Skin hyperpigmentation
- Skin hypopigmentation
- **Injection site reaction**
- **Infusion site extravasation**

# Eritema tóxico por QT



TAMO, DOXORUBICINA-L y TAXANOS

# Reacciones de “recall”



Taxanos, MTX, CFM

# Dermatitis bilateral con SMEE inducida por quimioterapia

- Inicio entre las 24-48 horas tras tto
- En ciclos iniciales (1º-2º)
- Erupción eritemato-edematosa, ocasionalmente vesiculosa
- En axilas, ingles, cuello, submamaria, párpados
- Histológicamente cursa con SMEE

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## AGENTES CAUSANTES

QT intensiva para TAMO

Liposomal doxorubicina

Docetaxel

Temsirolimus, deferolimus

Vemurafenib



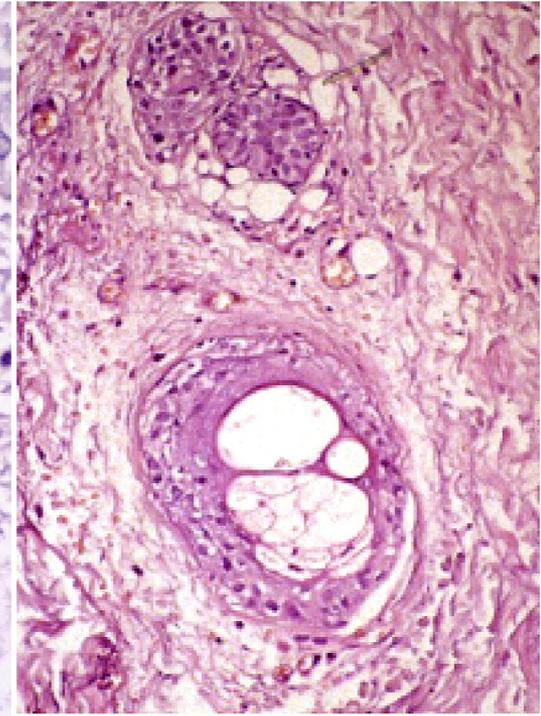
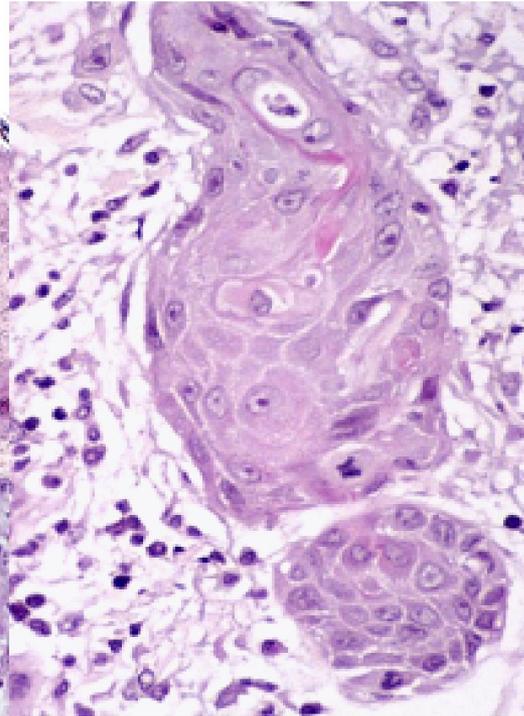
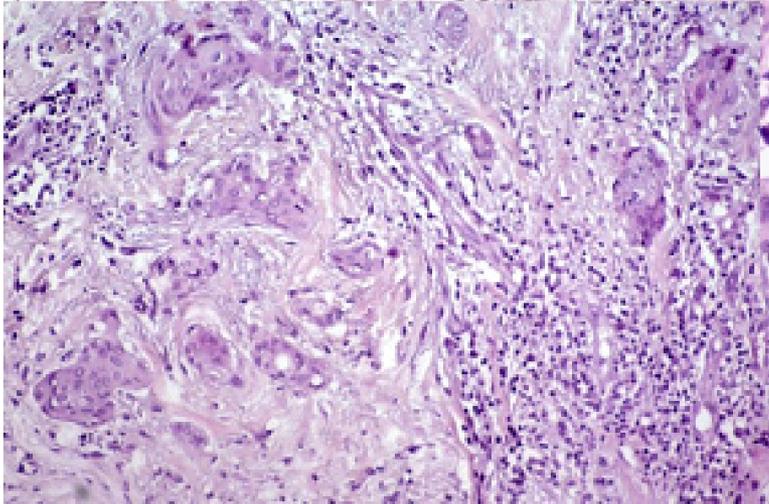
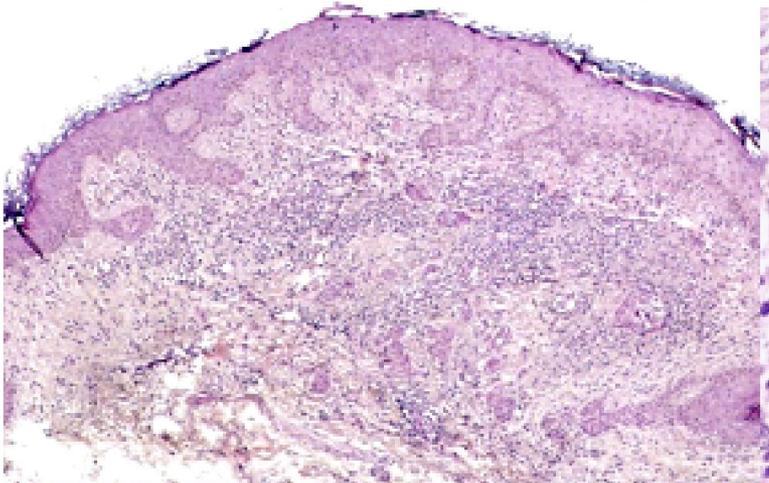


# Siringometaplasia escamosa ecrina



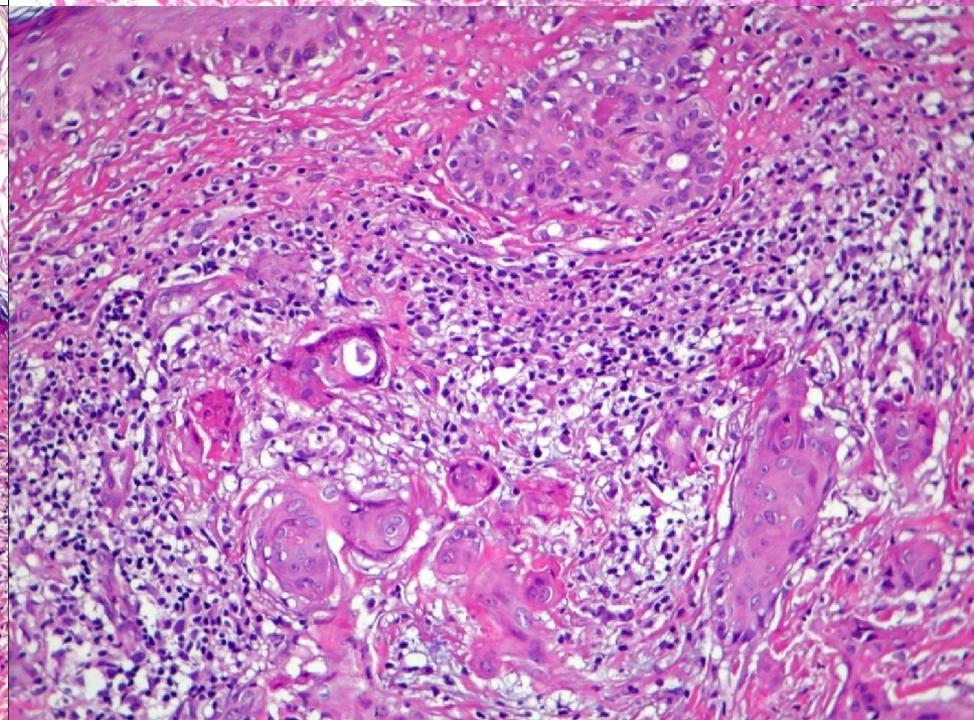
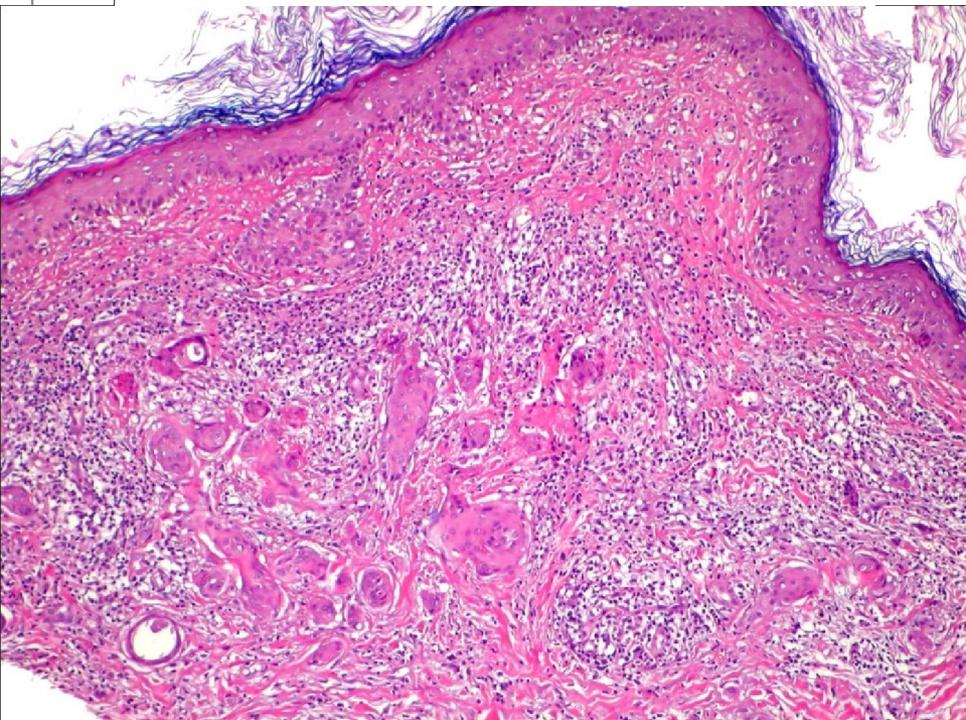
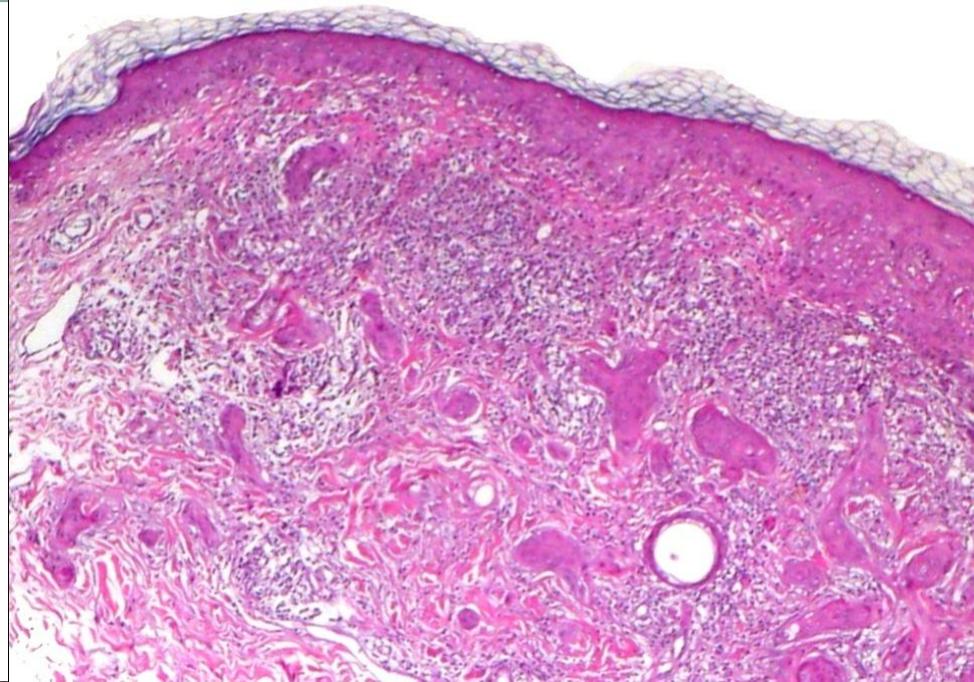
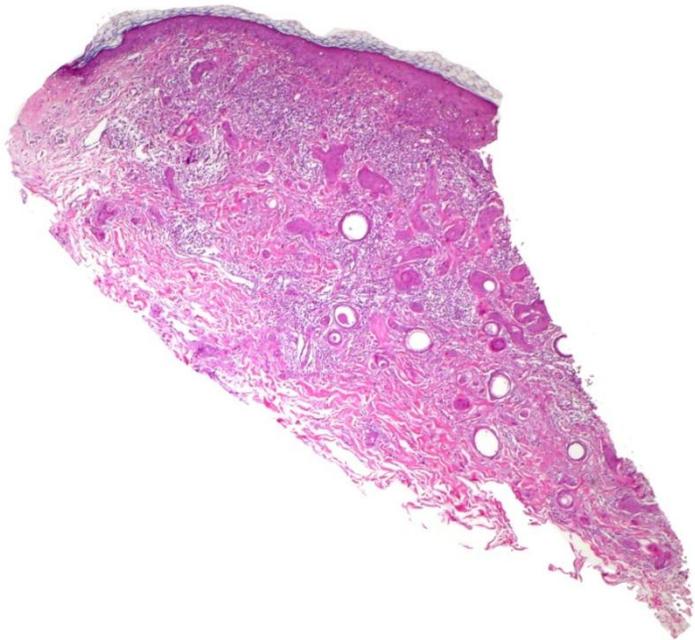
- Eritema, edema y vesiculación en cuello, axilas, ingles y región lumbosacra

# Siringometaplasia escamosa ecrina



## **SMEE madura.**

Ectasia ductal, proliferación ductal,  
Figuras mitóticas, queratinización,  
pseudomalignidad



# ¿Producen los agentes antidiaria afectación epidérmica?



- La respuesta es SI
- Pero hay claras diferencias con el patrón de citotoxicidad epidérmica inducida por la quimioterapia
- La patogénesis está relacionada con la inhibición de vías de señalización celular en la epidermis, cuya función fisiológica es desconocida actualmente
- La histopatología es diferente

# RASH POR INHIBIDORES MULTIKINASA

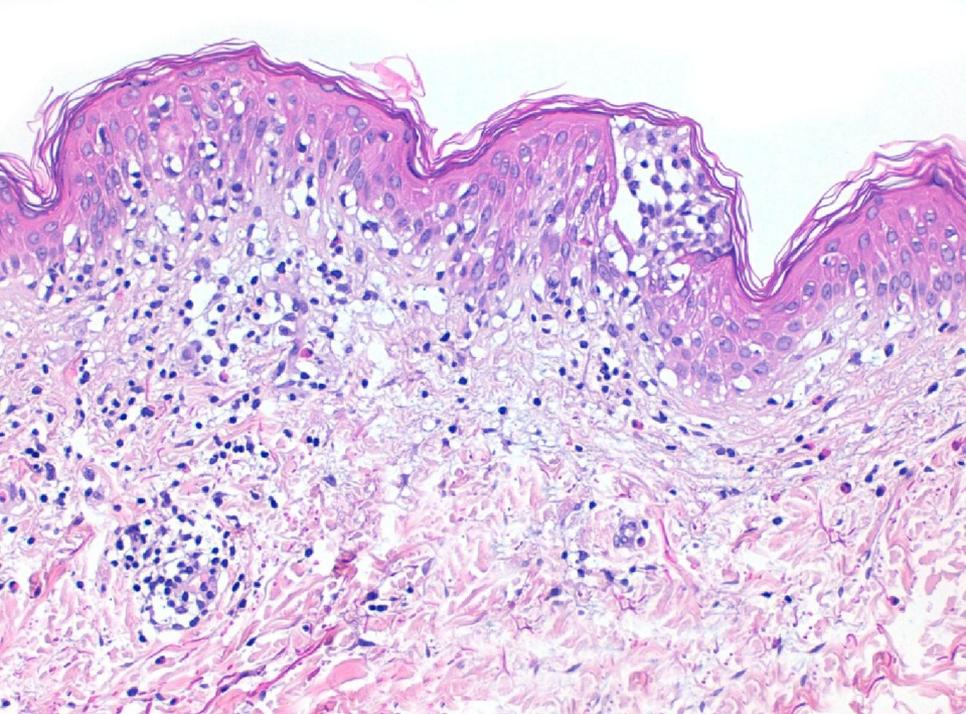
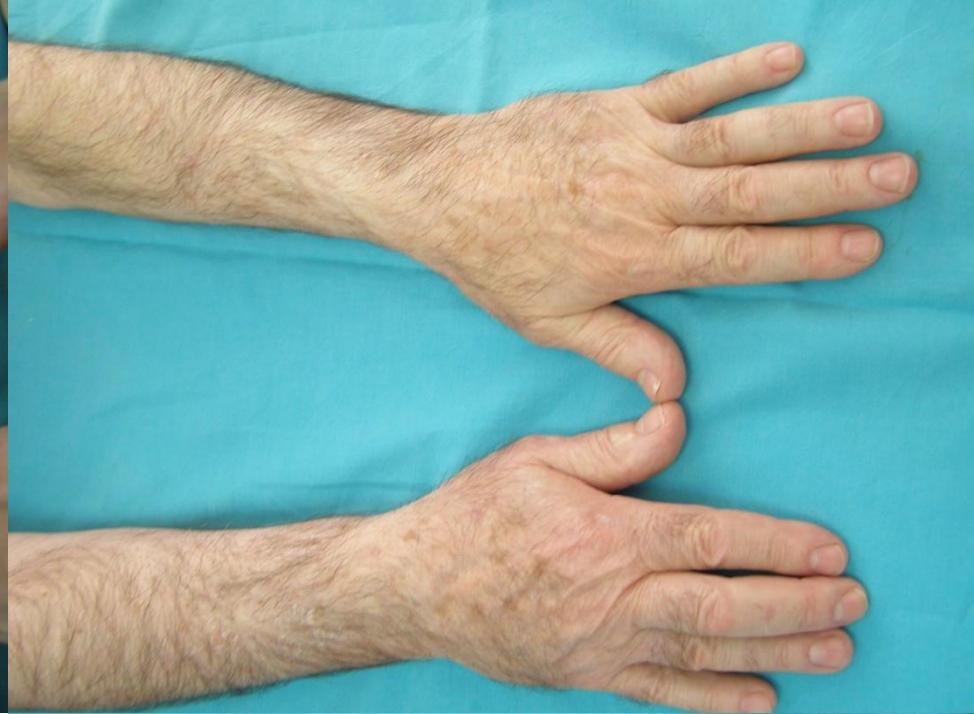


- Exantemas dosis dependiente
- No correlación con la eficacia (a diferencia de la erupción acneiforme de los inhibidores del EGFR)
- Más frecuente con imatinib (30% of pts), sunitinib (15% of pts), sorafenib (27%), vemurafenib (15%)
- Posiblemente se deba a la inhibición de c-kit o componentes distales de la vía MAPK

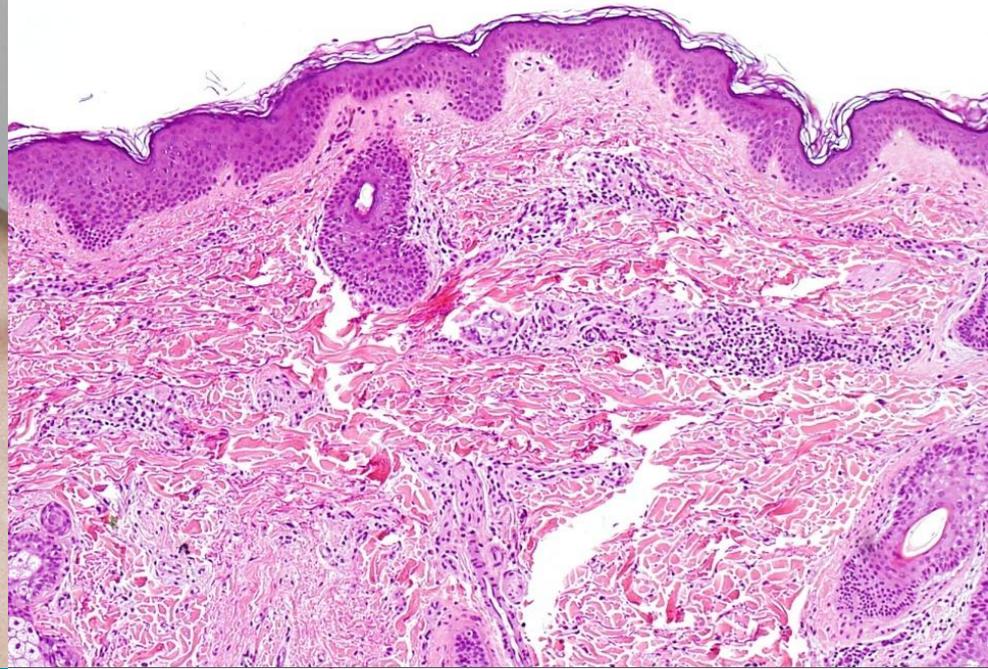
# RASH POR INHIBIDORES MULTIKINASA



- Primeras semanas de tratamiento
- Exantema.
  - Máculo-papular generalmente
  - Ocasionalmente erupción pustular
- Tronco y extremidades, menor frecuencia por afectación de pliegues
- Intensamente pruriginoso, ocasionalmente doloroso



Imatinib 1st cycle  
Eczematous rash



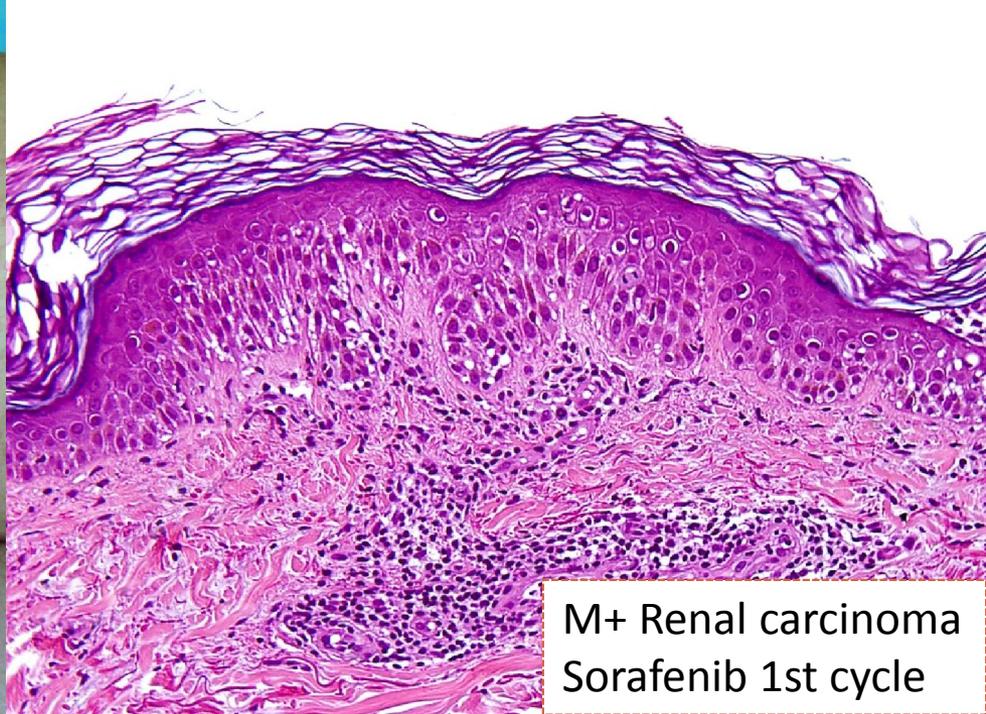
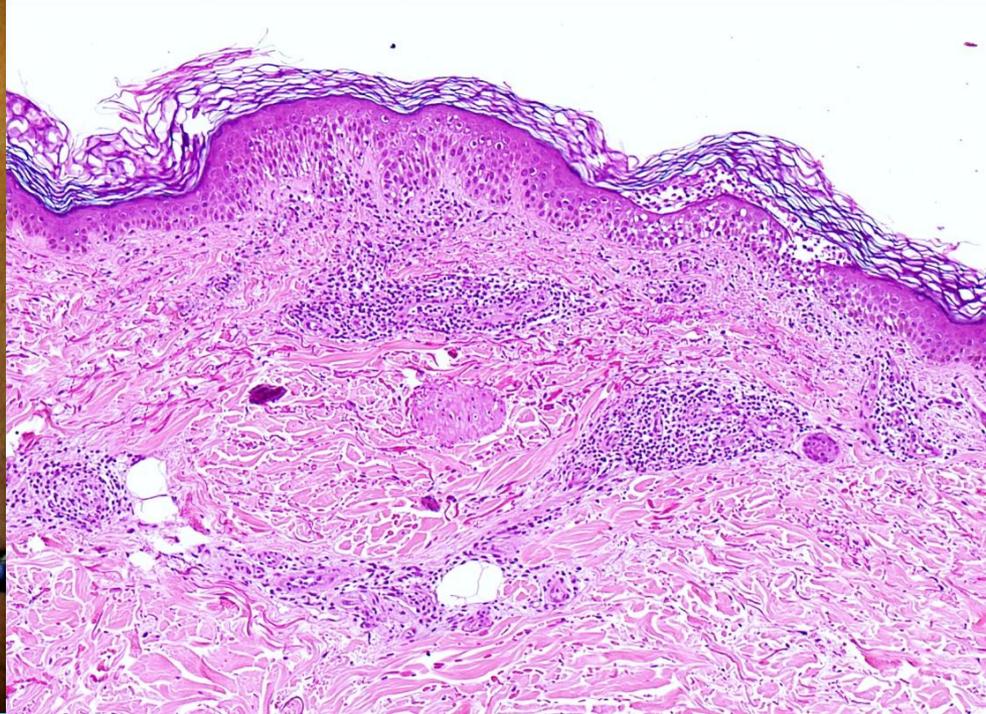
Sunitinib 2nd cycle  
EM-like



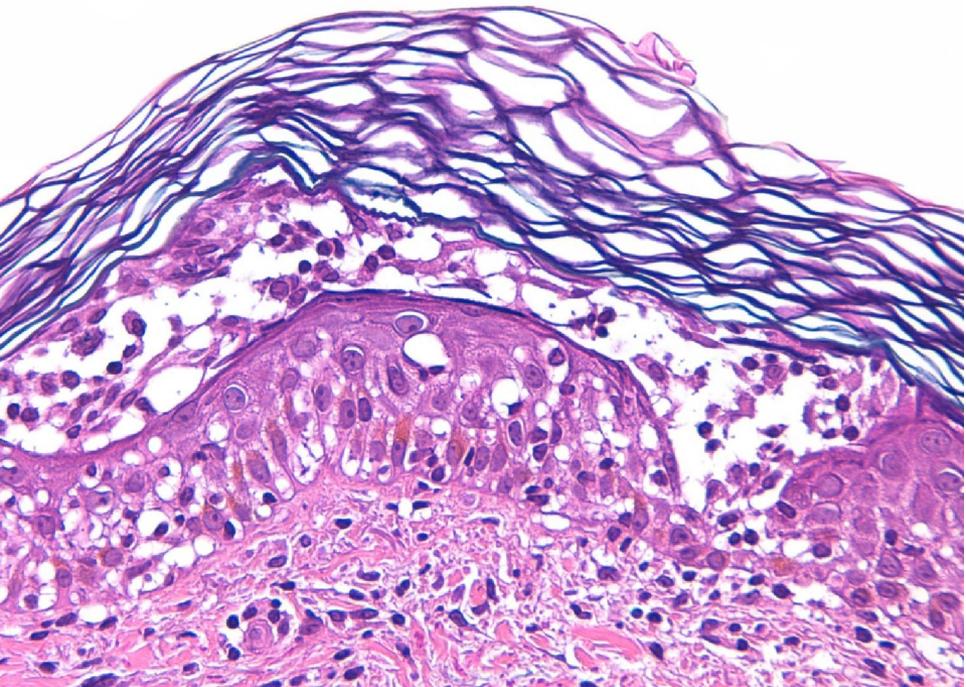
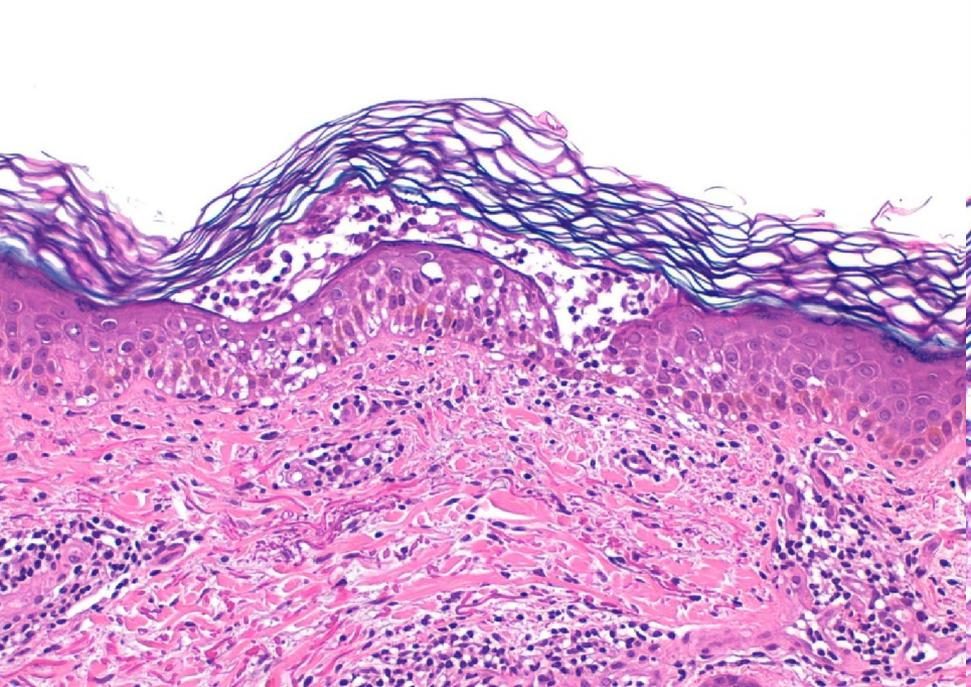
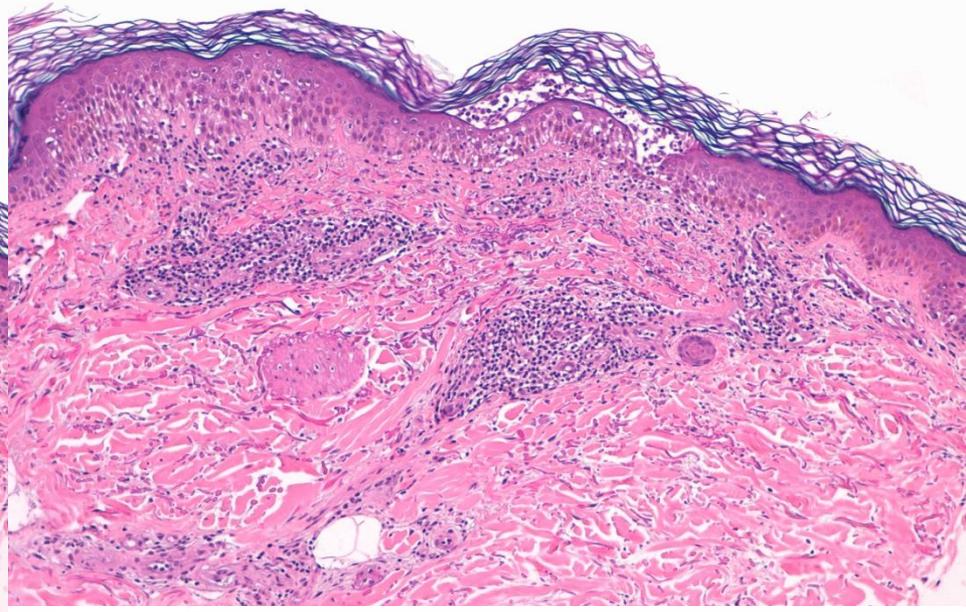
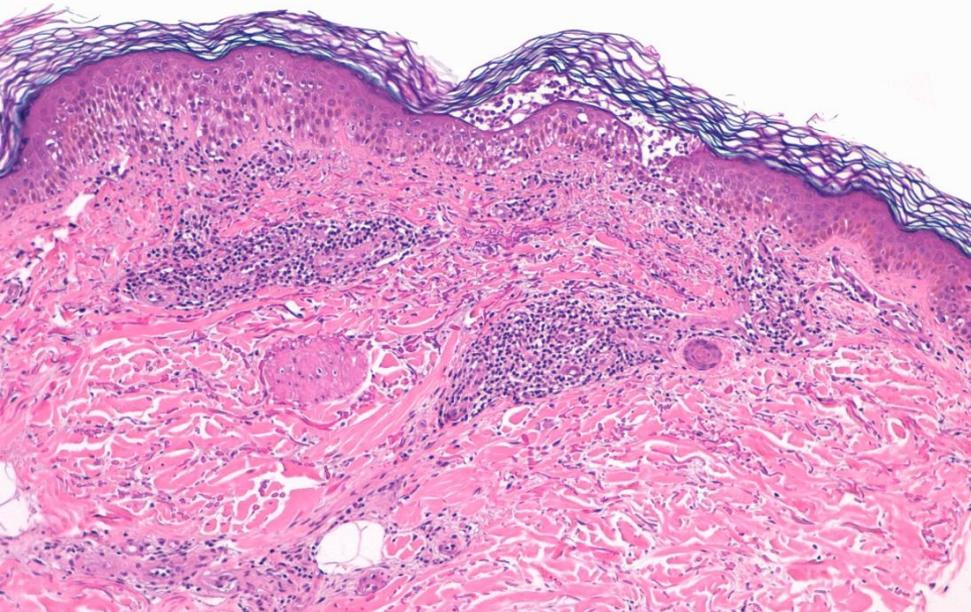
Sorafenib 2nd cycle  
EM-like

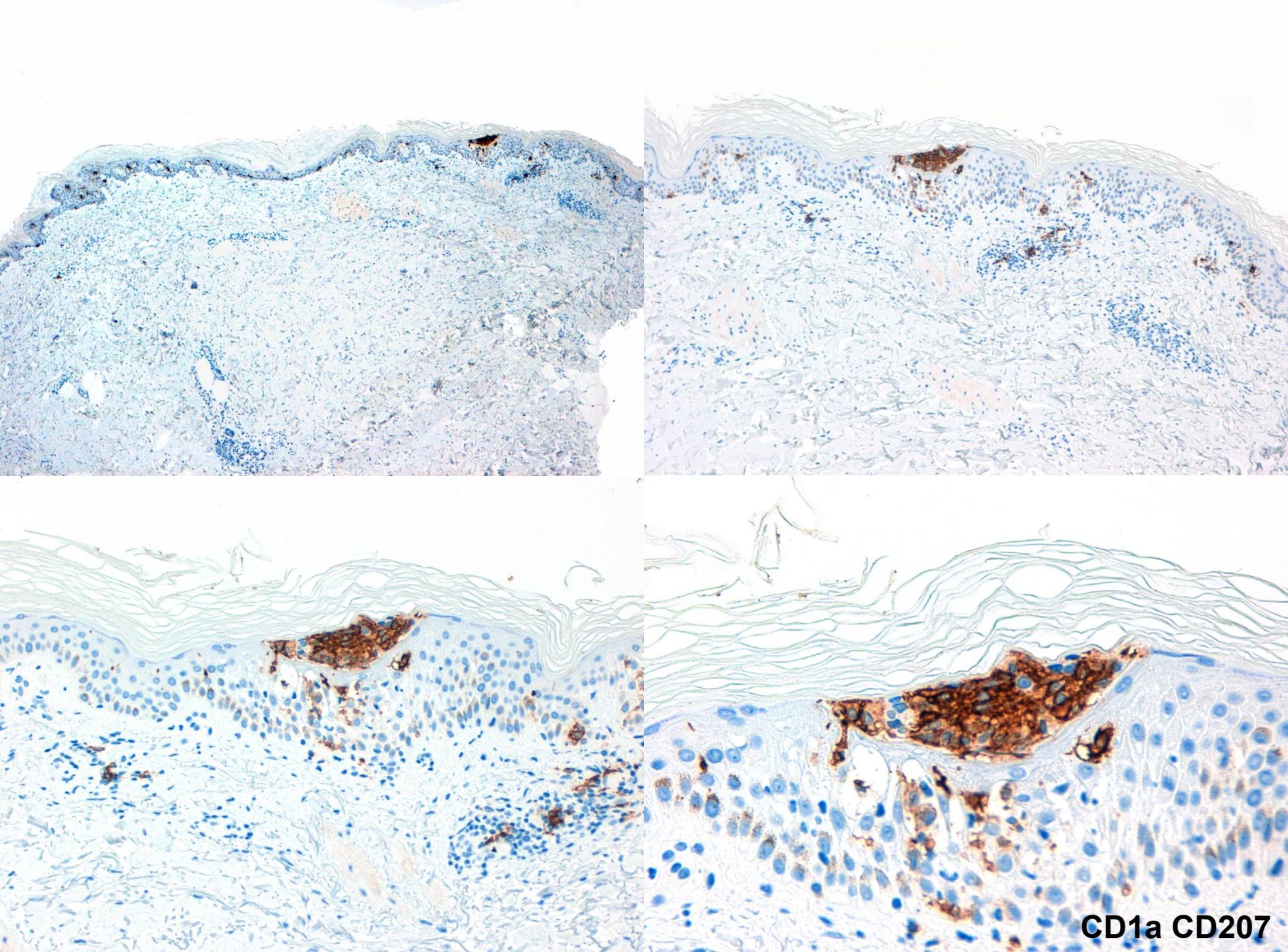


Sorafenib 1st cycle  
Lichenoid



M+ Renal carcinoma  
Sorafenib 1st cycle





CD1a CD207

# RASH POR INHIBIDORES MULTIKINASA



- Tendencia a la resolución con la progresión del tratamiento
- NO requiere suspender el mismo, quizás ajuste de la dosis temporalmente
- Antihistaminicos y corticoides tópicos
- Ninguna correlación con la respuesta al tratamiento

# REACCIONES ACNEIFORMES



# Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (CTCAE)

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## Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders

Adverse Event	Grade			
	1	2	3	4
Pruritus	Mild or localized; topical intervention indicated	Intense or widespread; Intermittent; skin changes from scratching (e.g., edema, papulation, excoriations, lichenification, oozing/crusts); oral intervention indicated; limiting instrumental ADL	Intense or widespread; constant; limiting self care ADL or sleep; oral corticosteroid or immunosuppressive therapy indicated	-
Definition: A disorder characterized by an intense itching sensation.				
Purpura	Combined area of lesions covering <10% BSA	Combined area of lesions covering 10 - 30% BSA; bleeding with trauma	Combined area of lesions covering >30% BSA; spontaneous bleeding	-
Definition: A disorder characterized by hemorrhagic areas of the skin and mucous membrane. Newer lesions appear reddish in color. Older lesions are usually a darker purple and eventually become a brownish-yellow color.				
Rash acneliform	Papules and/or pustules covering <10% BSA, which may or may not be associated with symptoms of pruritus or tenderness	Papules and/or pustules covering 10 - 30% BSA, which may or may not be associated with symptoms of pruritus or tenderness; associated with psychosocial impact; limiting instrumental ADL	Papules and/or pustules covering >30% BSA, which may or may not be associated with symptoms of pruritus or tenderness; limiting self care ADL; associated with local superinfection with oral antibiotics indicated	Papules and/or pustules covering any % BSA, which may or may not be associated with symptoms of pruritus or tenderness and are associated with extensive superinfection with IV antibiotics indicated; life-threatening consequences
Definition: A disorder characterized by an eruption of papules and pustules, typically appearing in face, scalp, upper chest and back.				





# Reacciones acneiformes

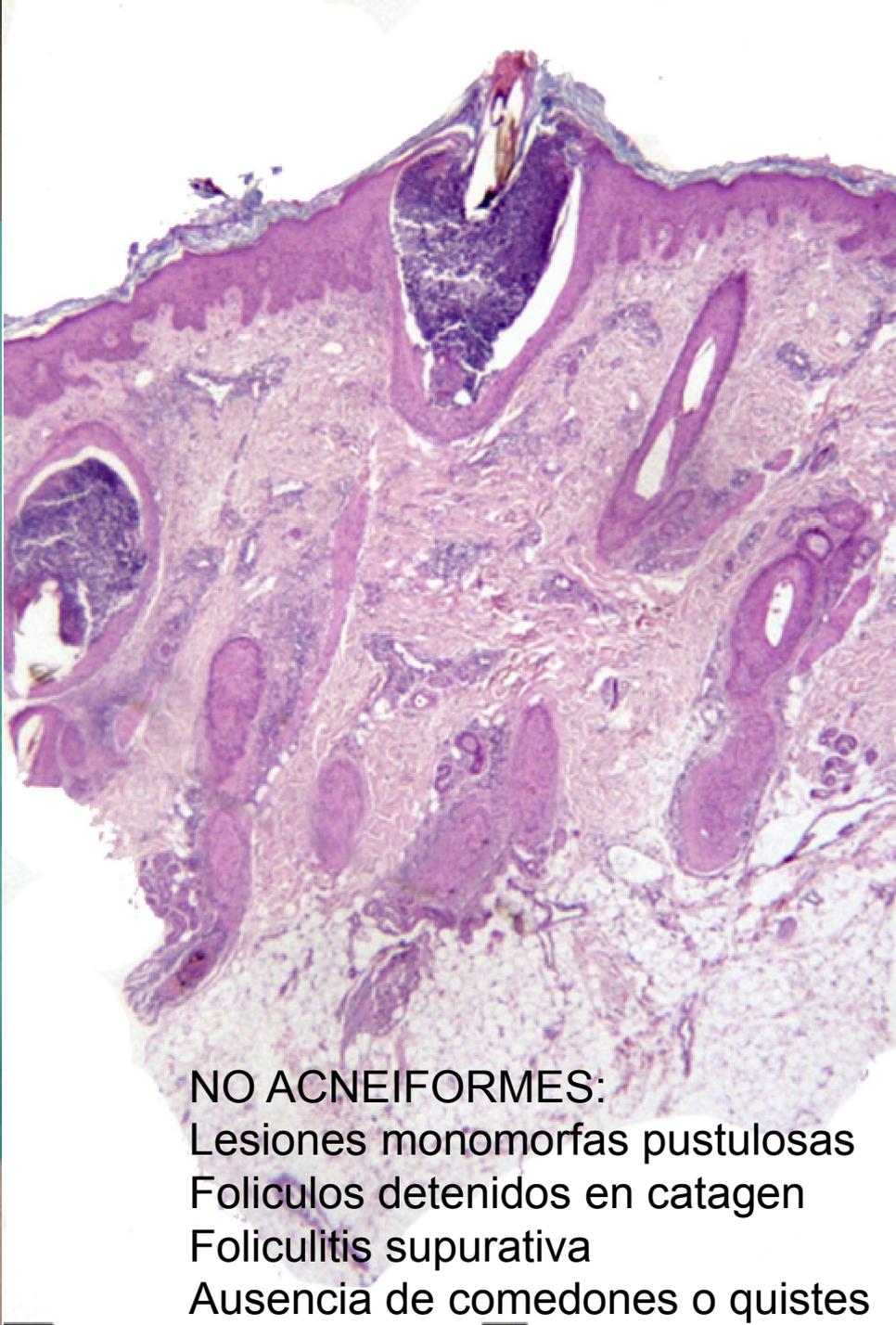
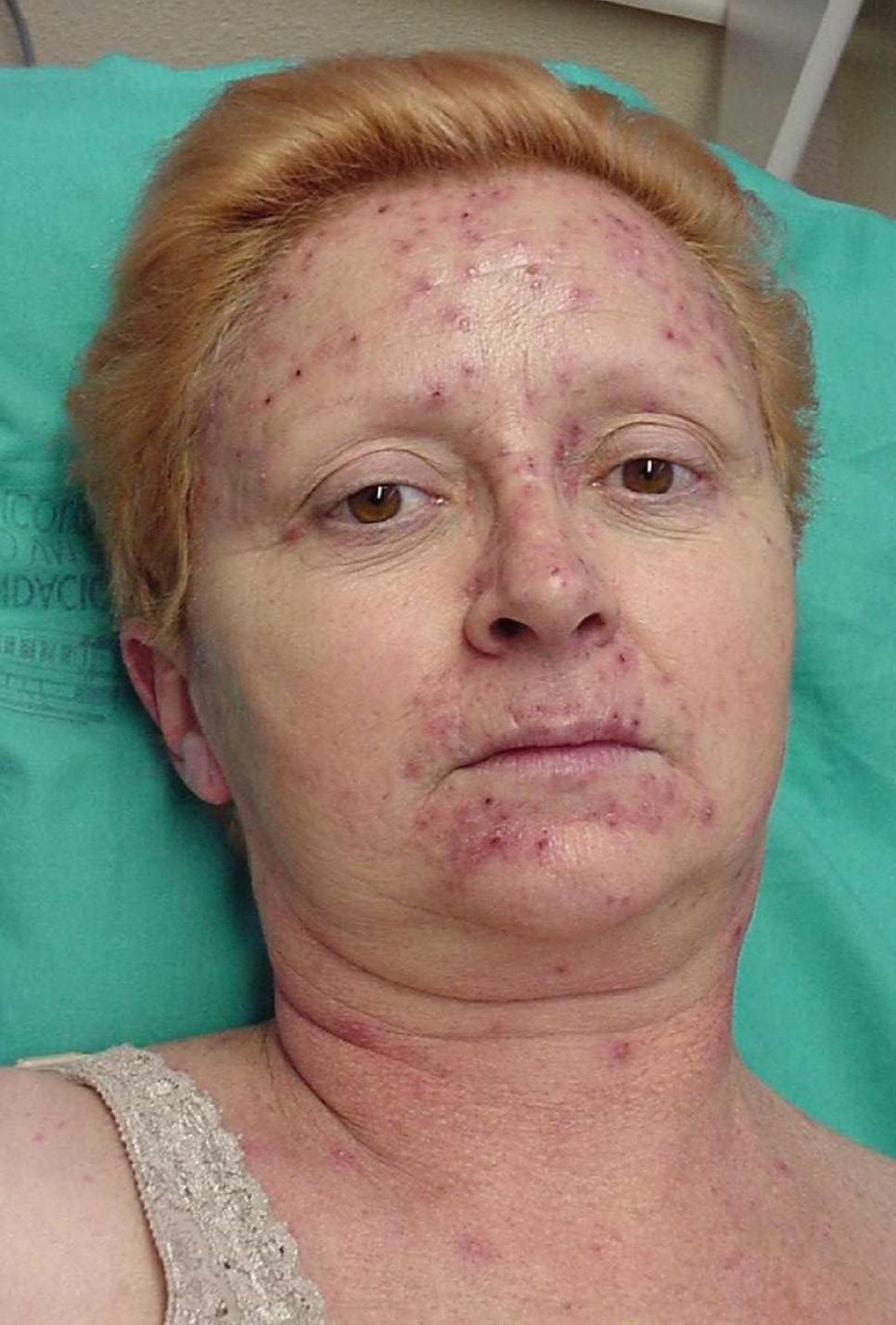


- Efecto secundario mejor conocido de los ttos antitumorales
- **INHIBIDORES DEL EGFR:**
  - Anticuerpos monoclonales: Cetuximab, Panitumumab
  - Inhibidores Tirosin-Kinasa:
    - ✦ HER1: erlotinib, gefitinib, vandetanib
    - ✦ HER1/HER2 afatinib, lapatinib, neratinib
- **INHIBIDORES mTOR**
  - Everolimus, Temsirolimus

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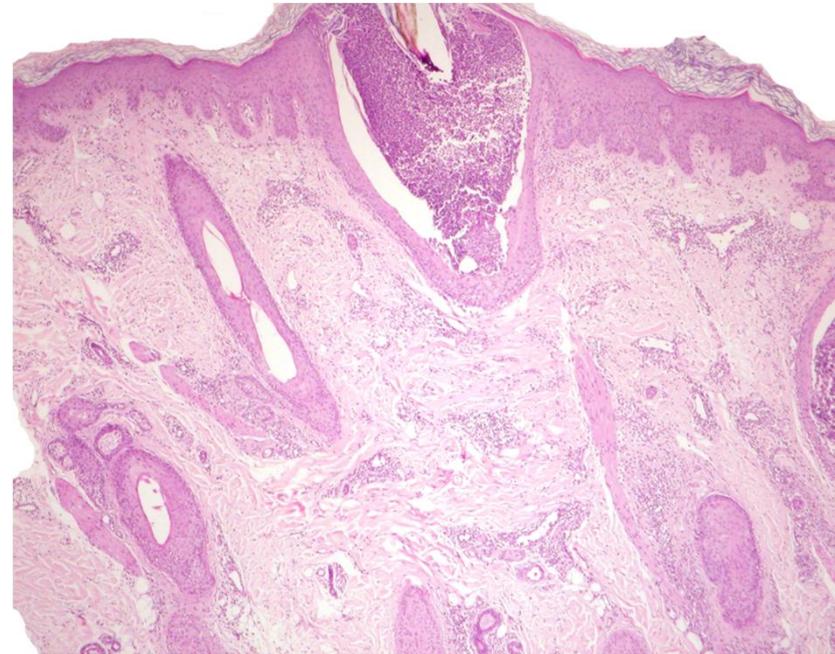
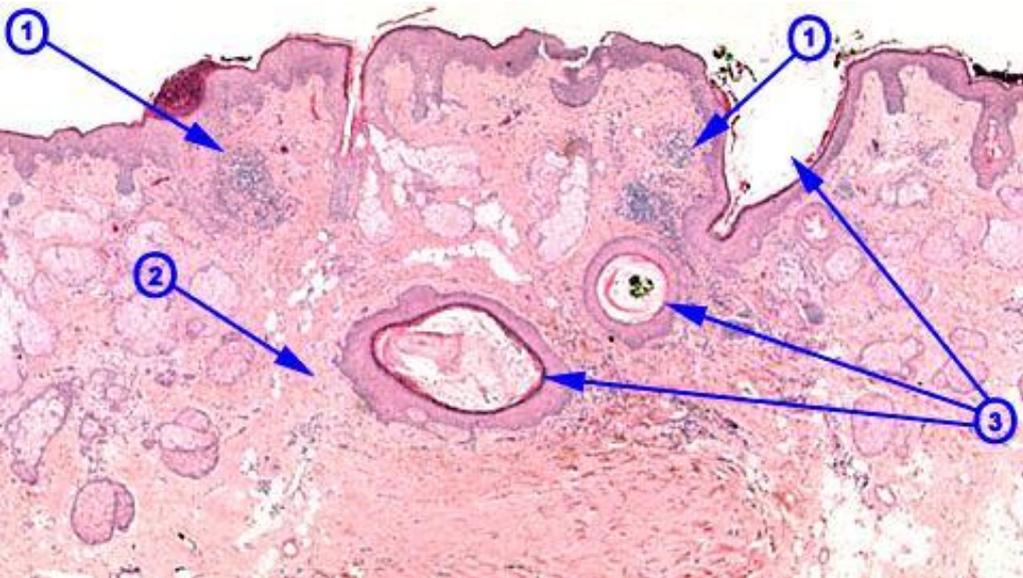


- Lesiones pustulosas monomorfas que con el tiempo evolucionan a lesiones eccematosas
- Cara >> tronco
- Dosis dependiente, intensidad relacionada con la respuesta
- EL RASH ACNEIFORME NO ES ACNE
- REALMENTE ES UNA FOLICULITIS



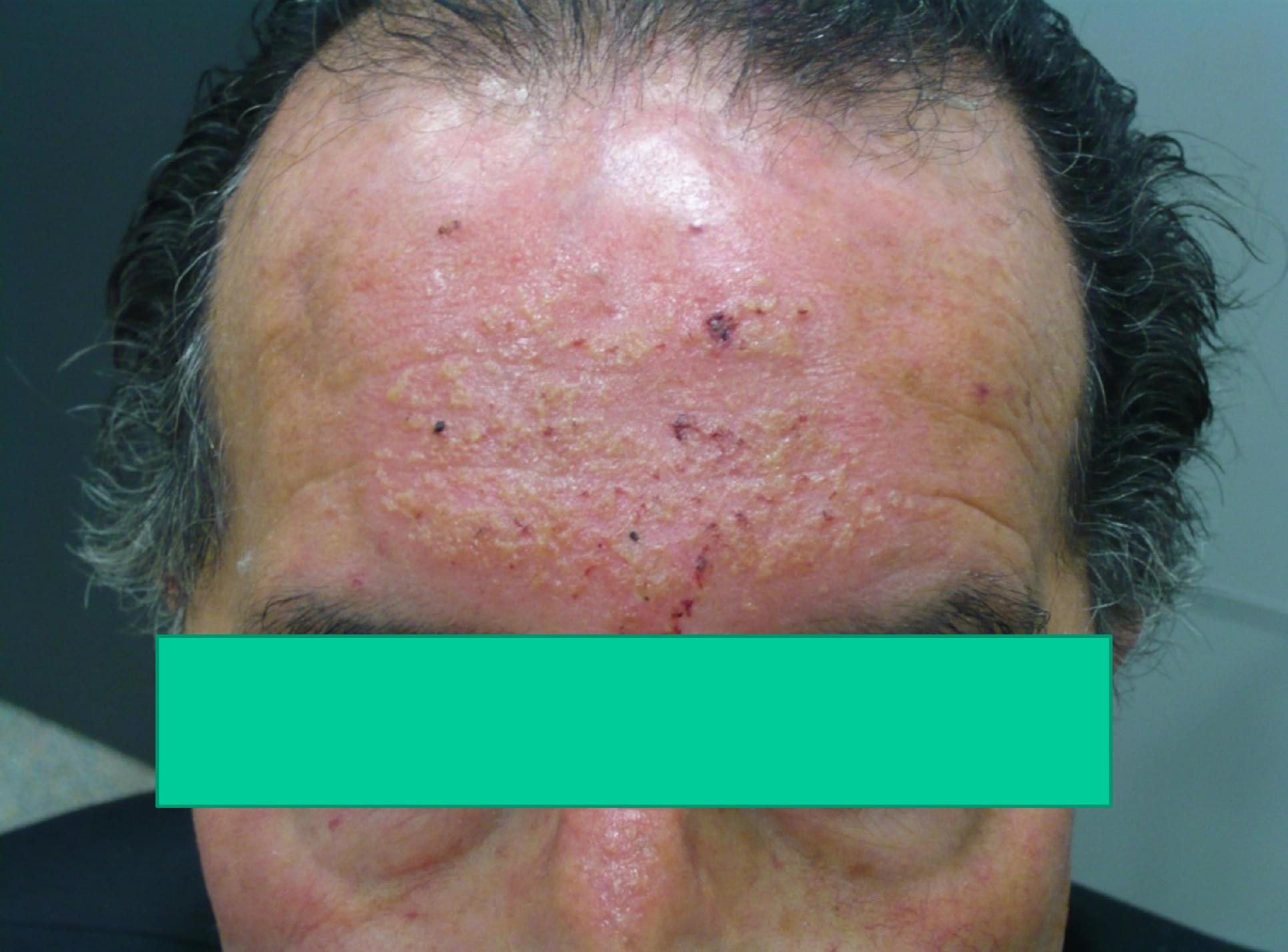
**NO ACNEIFORMES:**  
Lesiones monomorfas pustulosas  
Foliculos detenidos en catagen  
Foliculitis supurativa  
Ausencia de comedones o quistes

**NO ES ACNE**



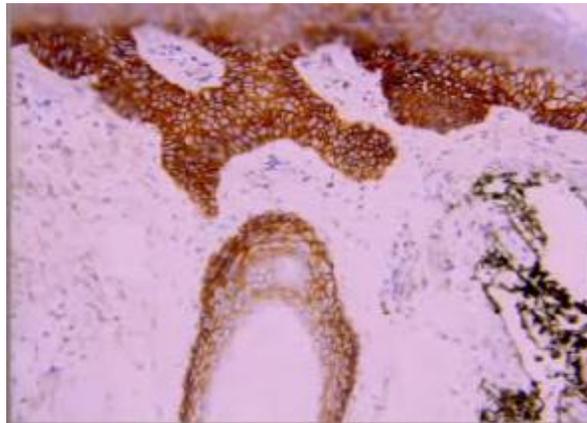
# NO ES INFECCION

- Pústulas estériles o con flora saprofita
- NO obstante la sobreinfección es posible
- Cultivar todas aquellas lesiones sospechosas
- J Nat Cancer Inst 2010; 102: 47-53
  - Análisis retrospectivo de 221 pacientes
  - 84 (38%) con evidencia de sobreinfección
  - Generalmente S aureus



# Foliculitis por inhibidores de EGFR

- Se expresa en epidermis, glándulas sebáceas, tejido periungueal y epitelio del folículo piloso
- Estimula el crecimiento epidérmico
- Inhibe diferenciación



- Bloqueo EGFR  
→ detención de maduración del folículo (de anagen a catagen) → necrosis  
→ foliculitis secundaria
- Mismo efecto a nivel ungueal

# Reaccion pápulo-pustular

- Pápulas y pustulas sobre base eritematosa
- Presente en el 60-100% de pacientes
- Intensidad relacionada con la respuesta al tratamiento
- Inicio al 8 día tras tratamiento, con máxima intensidad a las 2-4 semanas
- Su intensidad disminuye al 4º mes
- Dosis-dependiente





erlotinib



gefitinib



Cetuximab



# Tratamiento rash pápulo-pustular

- Medidas preventivas
  - Evitar exposición solar
  - Evitar productos locales comedogénicos (pomadas, fotoprotección grasa, etc.)
  - Evitar productos tópicos de base alcohólica (irritante)
- Medidas locales
  - Corticoides: Periodos cortos de tiempo (foliculitis esteroidea)
  - Retinoides tópicos: Cuidado con su capacidad irritante
  - Antibióticos tópicos: elegir emulsiones o geles, evitar alcohol
- Tetraciclinas (doxiciclina y minociclina)
- Isotretinoína



Paroniquia por anti EGFR



# Onicosis inducida por QT convencional

- Relación significativa con TAXANOS
- Fundamentalmente con Taxol en régimen semanal
- Incidencia entre el 2'3-2'5% de los pacientes tratados con estos agentes
- TLD en el 50% de los casos

# Lesiones ungueales inducidas por QT convencional





¿Cuál es el verdadero acné  
inducido por agentes  
antidiana?

# VERDADERAS REACCIONES ACNEIFORMES?



- Inducidas por inhibidores de VEGFr (agentes antiangiogénicos)
- Bevacizumab: MoAb anti VEGFr
- Sorafenib: Multikinasa inh C-RAF, VEGFr and PDGFB
- Dovitinib: Multikinasa inh FGFr, VEGFr
- Pazopanib: inh VEGFr
  
- Estos agentes inducen hiperplasia sebácea, comedones, y finalmente acné nodular



**Follicular acneiform eruption induced by bevacizumab**

Gavrilova M.

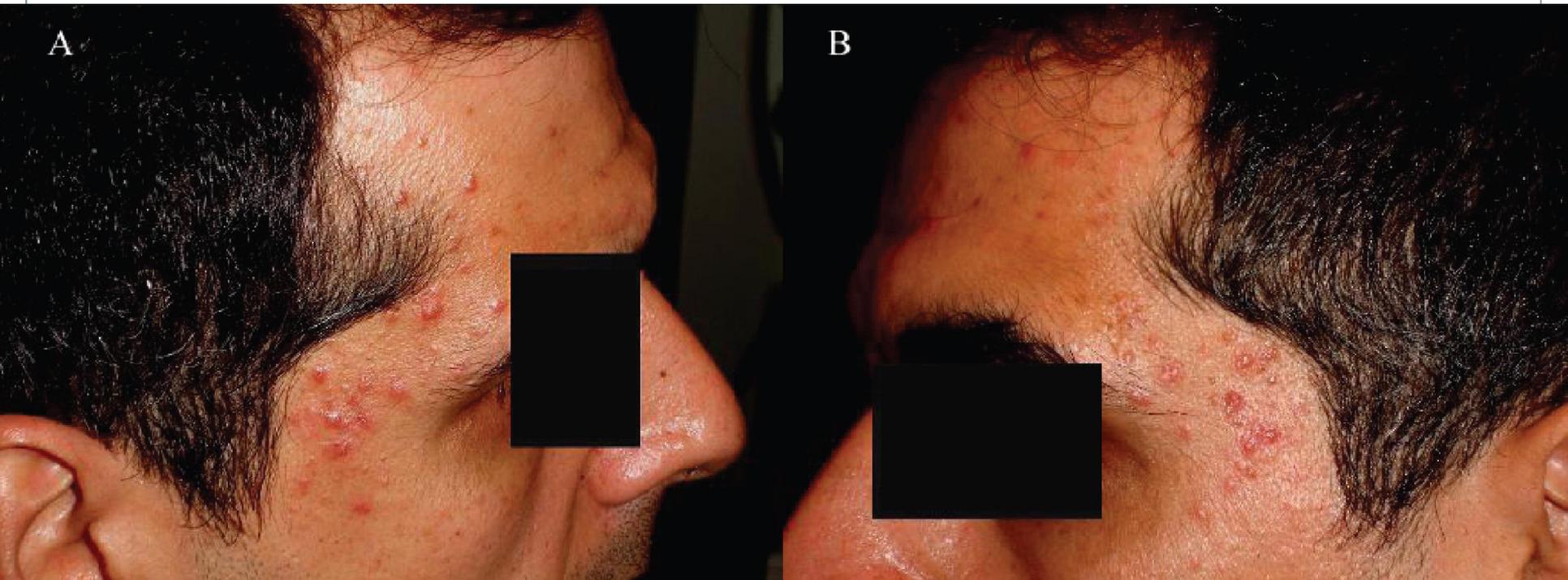
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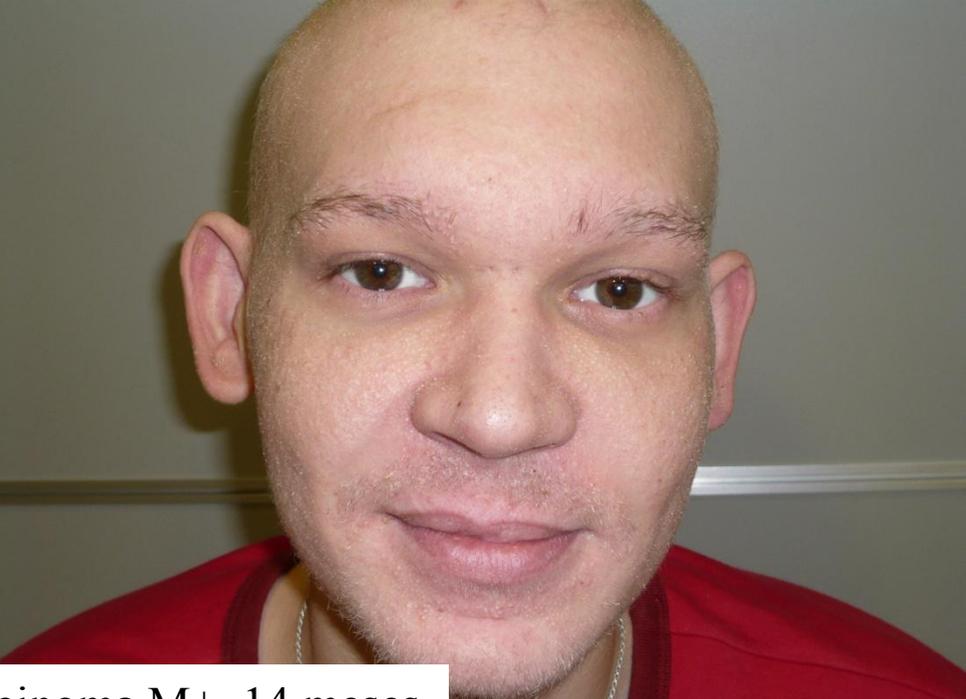
**Dermatology  
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Occasional reports of acne induced by bevacizumab and sorafenib

## Skin rash associated with intravitreal bevacizumab in a patient with macular choroidal neovascularization





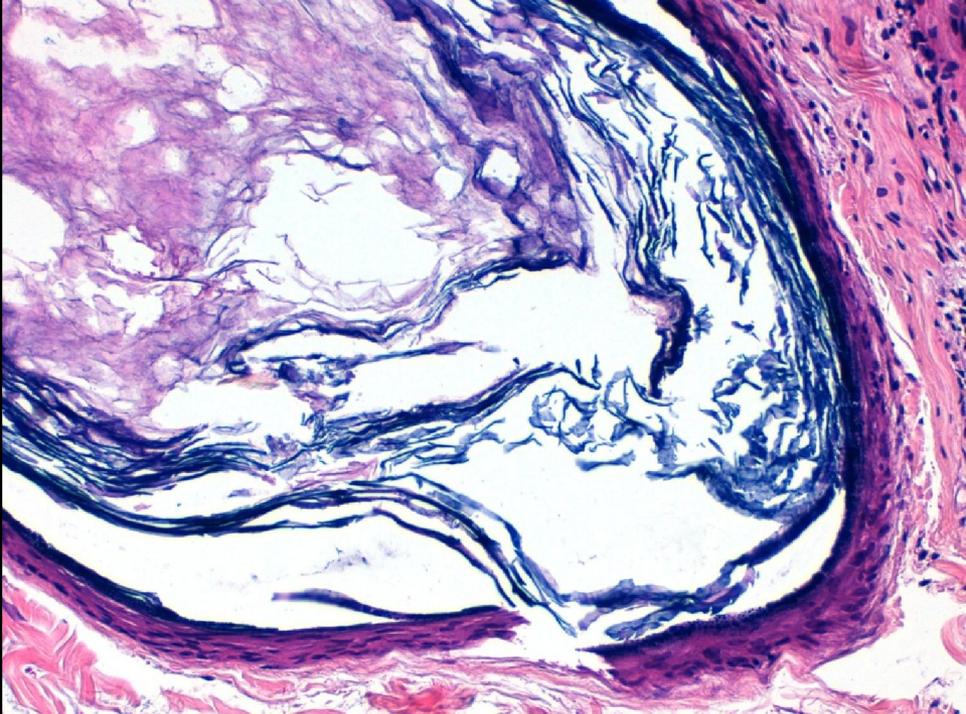
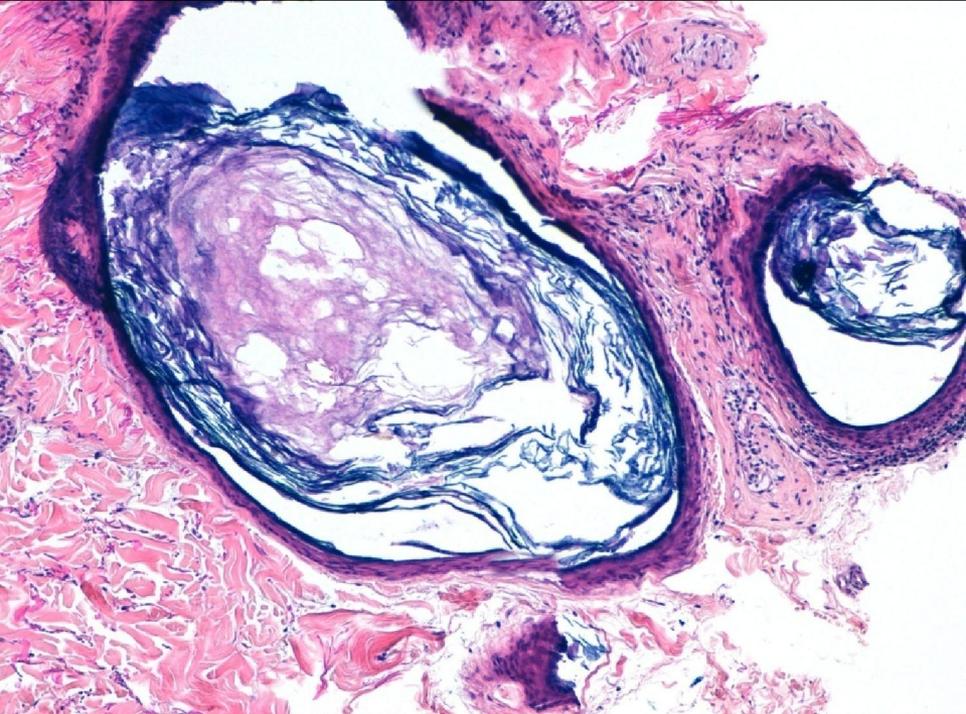
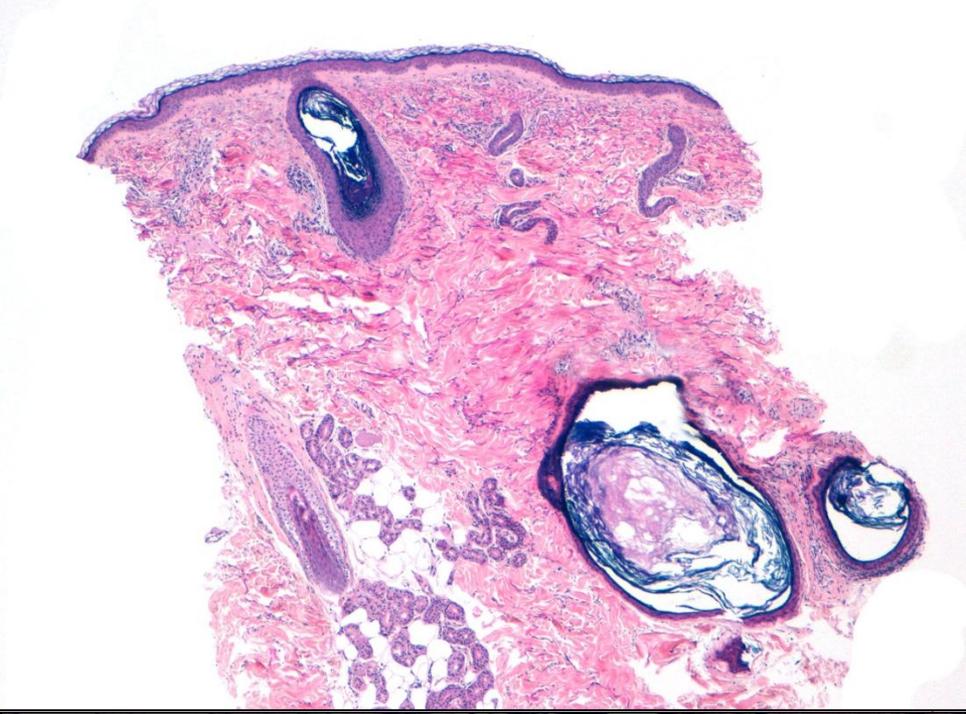
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Cancer suprarrenal M+  
Dovitinib monoterapia  
Buena respuesta  
Primer mes de tratamiento



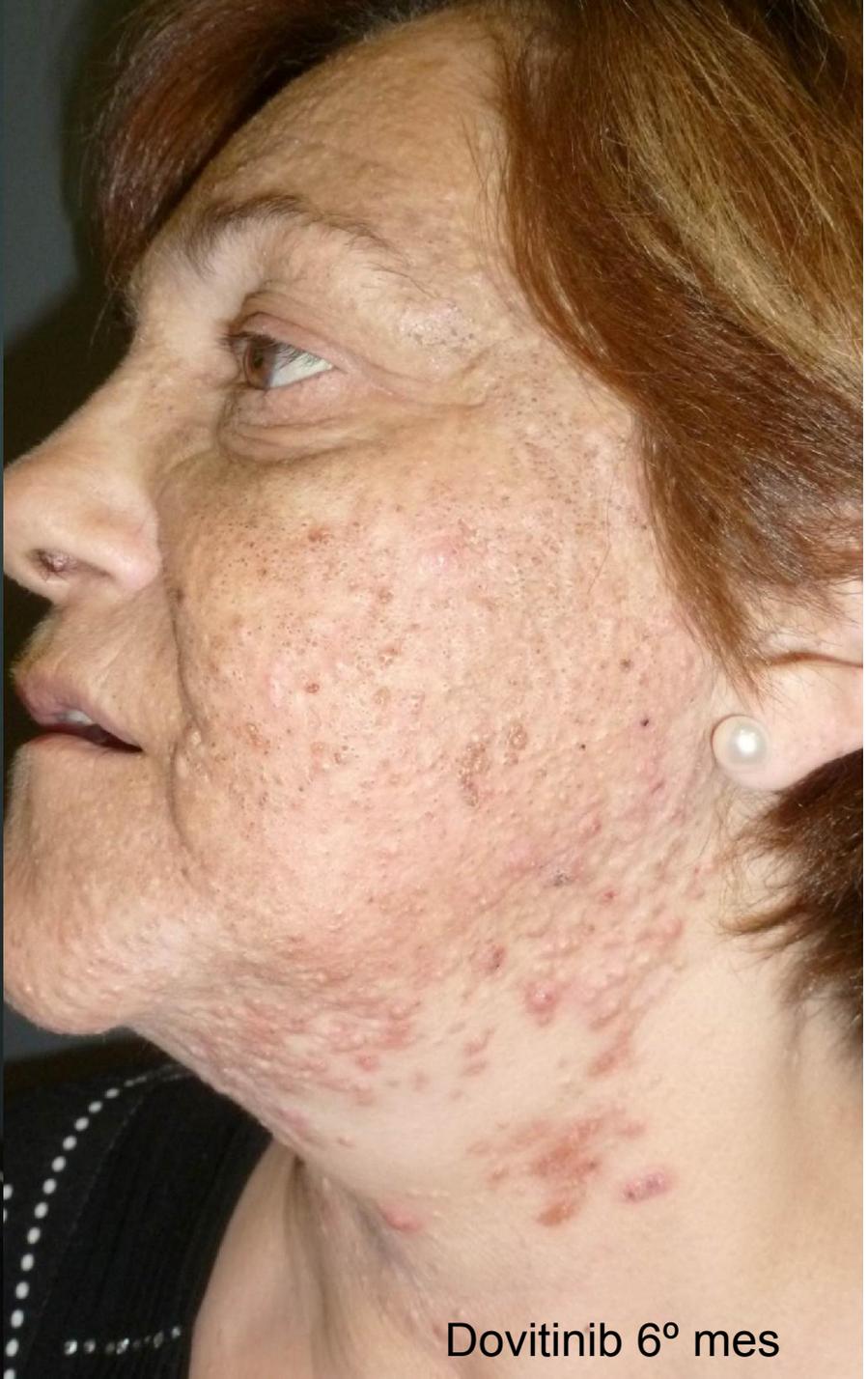




Dovitinib 2° mes



Dovitinib 4° mes



Dovitinib 6° mes

# ACNE NODULAR INDUCIDO POR inhibidores VEGFr



- Bevacizumab, sorafenib, dovitinib, pazopanib
- Agrandamiento progresivo de glándulas sebáceas
- Desarrollo de tapones foliculares, comedones y quistes
- Finalmente evolucion a acne nodular

# Eritema Acral inducido por quimioterapia



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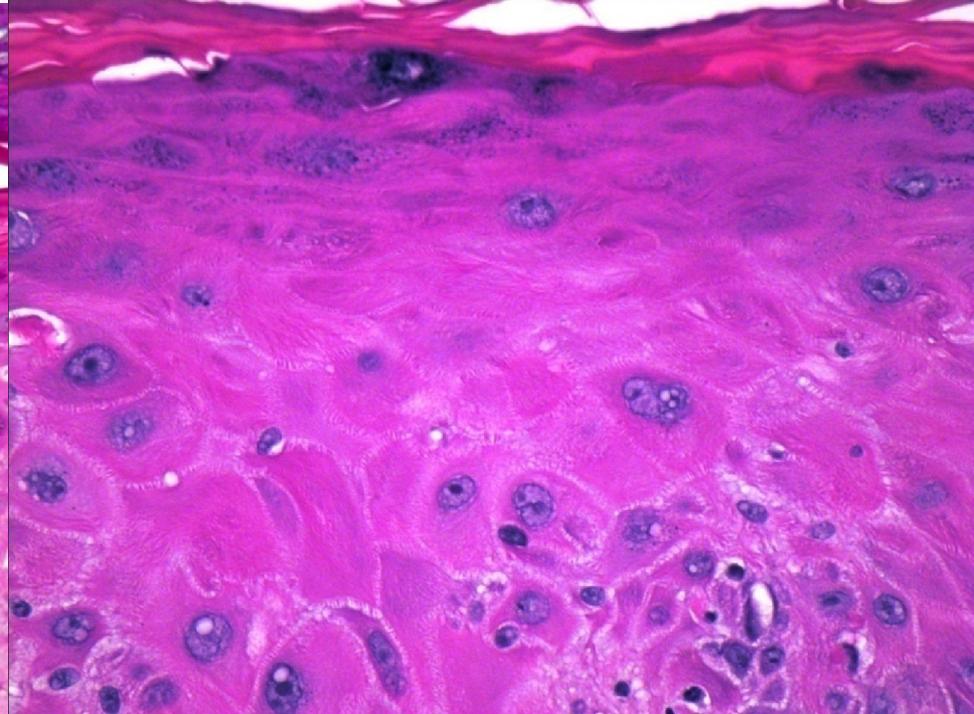
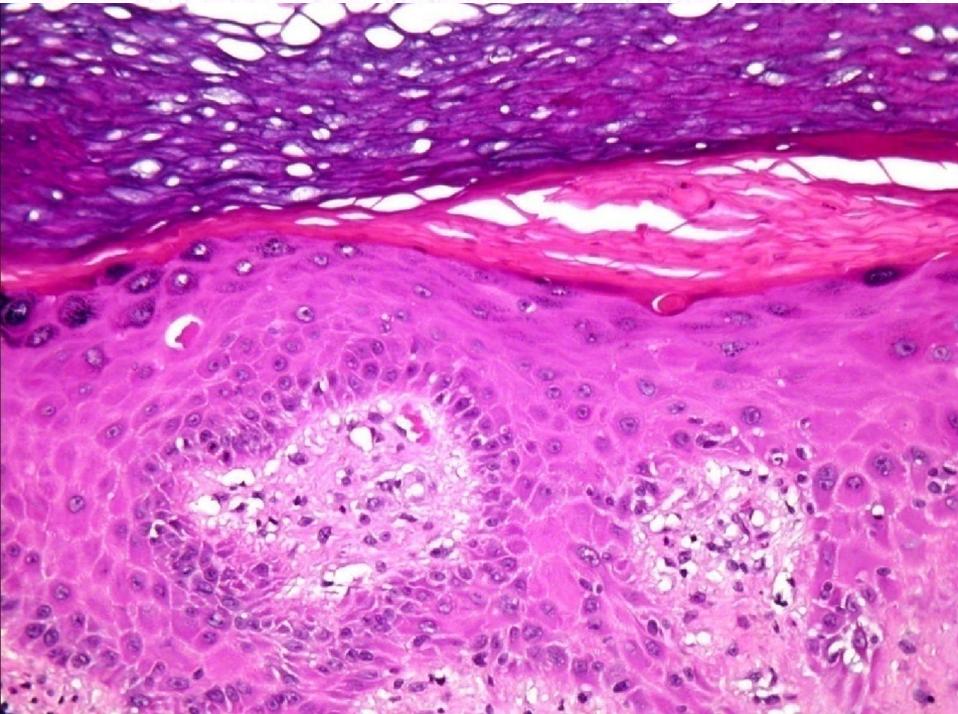
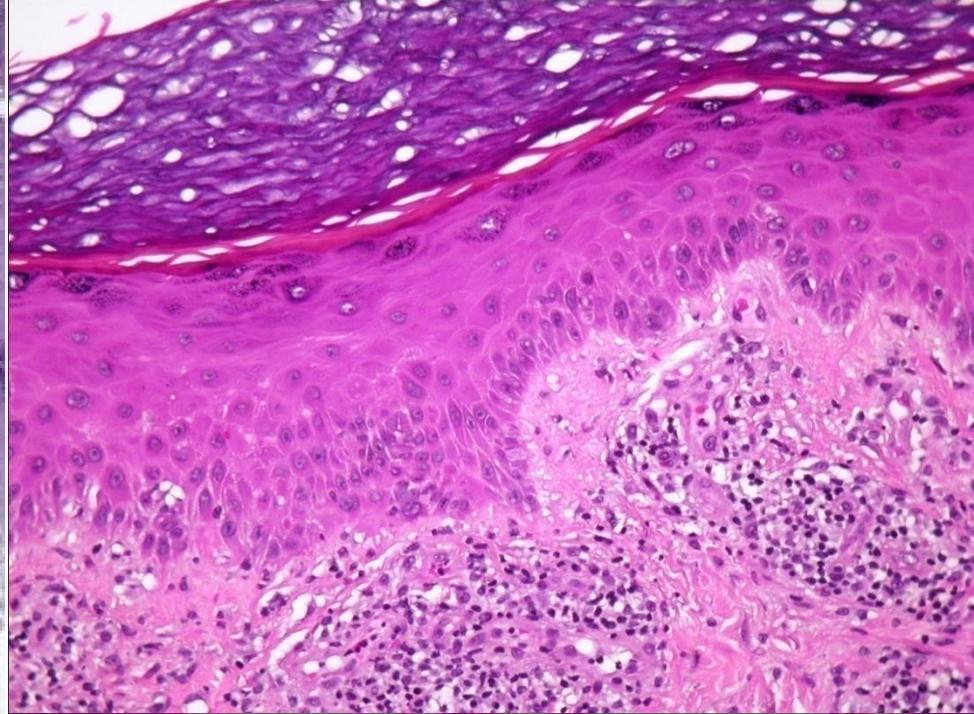
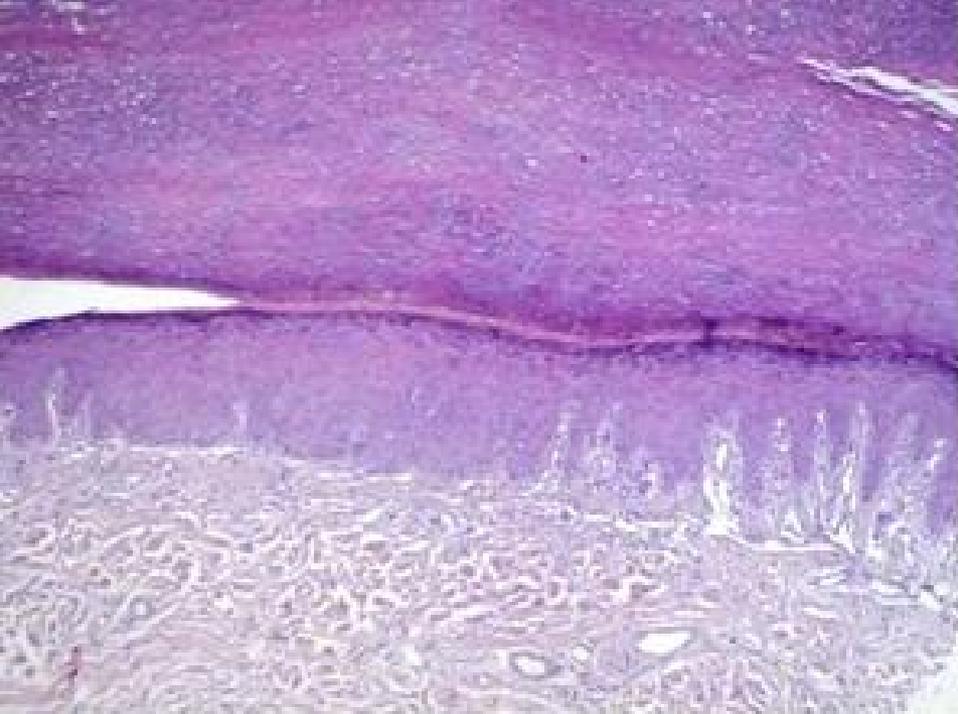
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Grado 3 CTCAE



ORIGINAL ARTICLES

# Chemotherapy-Induced Acral Erythema: A Clinical and Histopathologic Study of 44 Cases

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Table 2. Cases of Acral Erythema in the Present Series

Drug	Epidemiology				Severity			Site of Lesions	
	No. of Patients	%	Patients Receiving Treatment, No.	Occurrence, %	G1'	G2'	G3'	Palms/soles	Palms/soles and elsewhere
5-fluoracil CI	10	22.7	46	21.7	2	4	4	10	0
5-fluoracil bolus	6	13.6	786	0.7	1	4	1	6	0
Doxorubicin	3	6.8	649	0.4	0	2	1	3	0
L-doxorubicin	5	11.3	12	41.6	0	3	2	3	2
Paclitaxel	2	4.5	127	1.5	0	2	0	0	2
Docetaxel	6	13.6	156	3.2	0	3	3	5	1
Methotrexate	3	6.8	323	0.9	1	2	0	3	0
Vinorelbine	4	9	126	3.1	1	2	1	4	0
Gemcitabine	2	4.5	31	6.4	0	1	1	2	0
Cytarabine	1	2.2	9	11	0	1	0	1	0
Cyclophosphamide	2	4.5	991	0.2	2	0	0	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>44</b>				<b>7</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>5</b>

# Eritema acral inducido por quimioterapia

## Variedades clínicas

- Variedad de localización extrapalmoplantar (dorso manos y talones)
- Relacionada significativamente con TAXANOS Y DOXORUBICINA-L





# SINDROME PIE-MANO POR INHIBIDORES MULTIKINASA

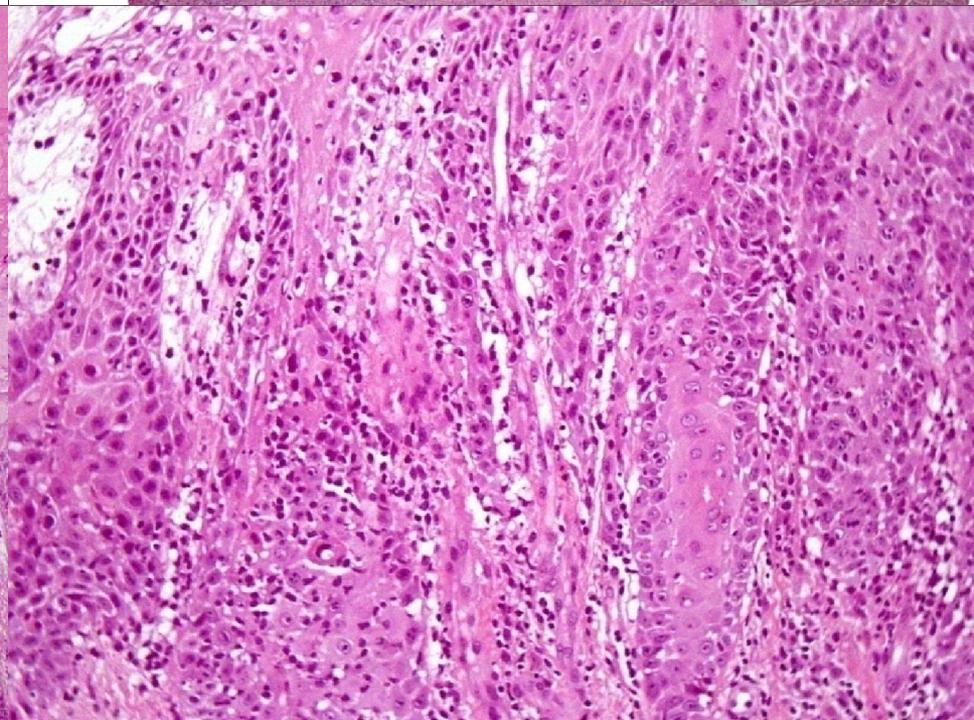
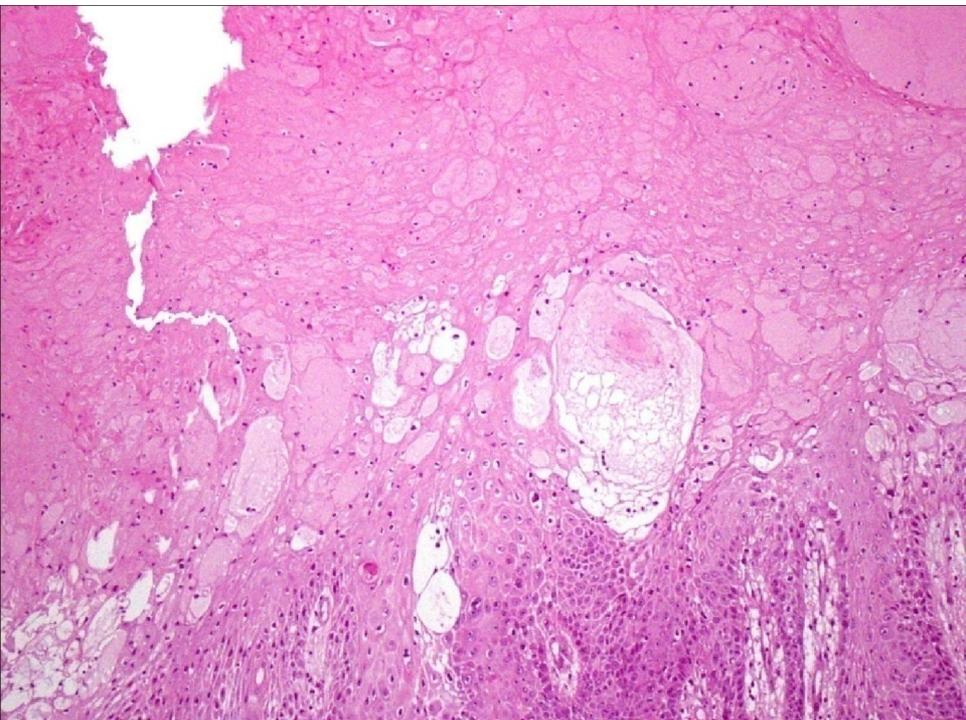
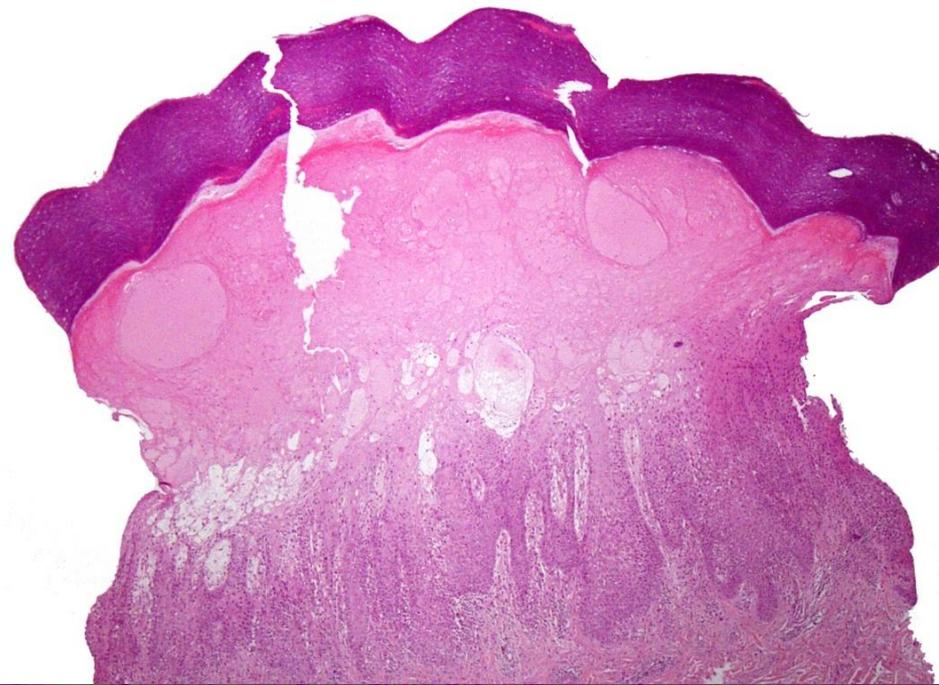
- Muy frecuente
- Sorafenib, sunitinib, vemurafenib, dabrafenib
- Dosis dependiente
- Importantes diferencias con el eritema acral inducido por QT convencional

- Frecuente toxicidad limitante de dosis
- Lesiones hiperqueratósicas focales en palmas y plantas
- Zonas de presión (inducidas por trauma)





- Hiperqueratosis, papilomatosis y acantosis
- Degeneración hidrópica de la epidermis media, con balonización
- Edema intra y extracelular
- Ausencia de queratinocitos necróticos o atípicos



# Diferencias entre Eritema acral QT convencional y síndrome pie mano de los ITK

<b>ERITEMA ACRAL DE LA QUIMIOTERAPIA CONVENCIONAL</b>	<b>SINDROME PIE - MANO DE LOS INHIBIDORES MUTIKINASA</b>
Eritema y edema difuso y simétrico	Hiperqueratosis localizada
Daño glándulas ecrinas por excreción sudoral del fármaco	Defecto en la reparación celular por inhibición PDGFr
Histopatología de citotoxicidad inducida por la quimioterapia	Degeneración vacuolar de la epidermis media, con hiperqueratosis y acantosis

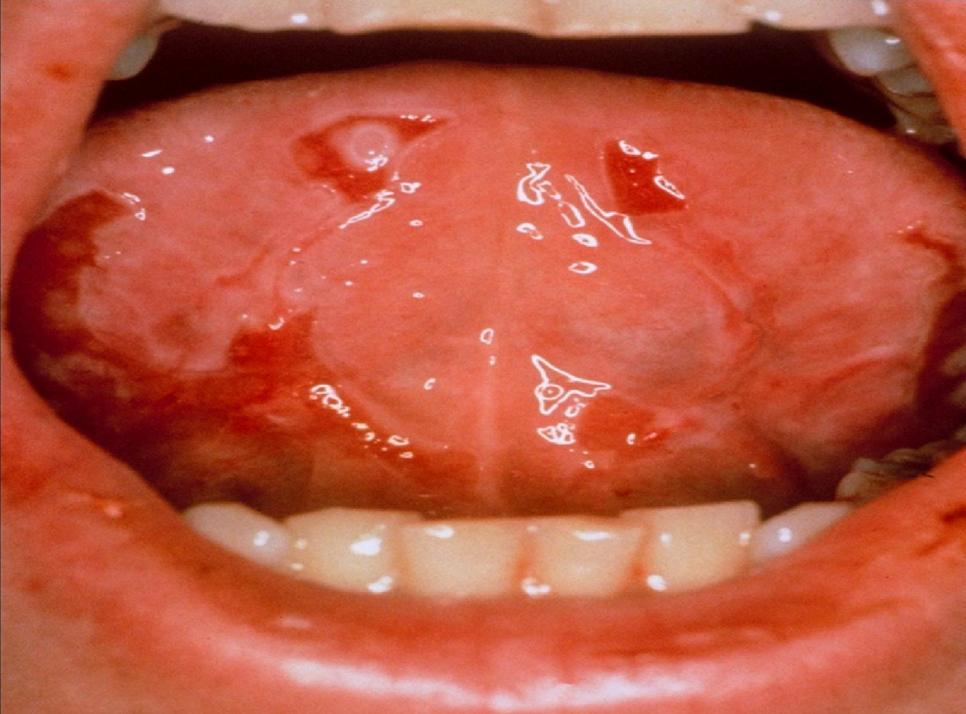
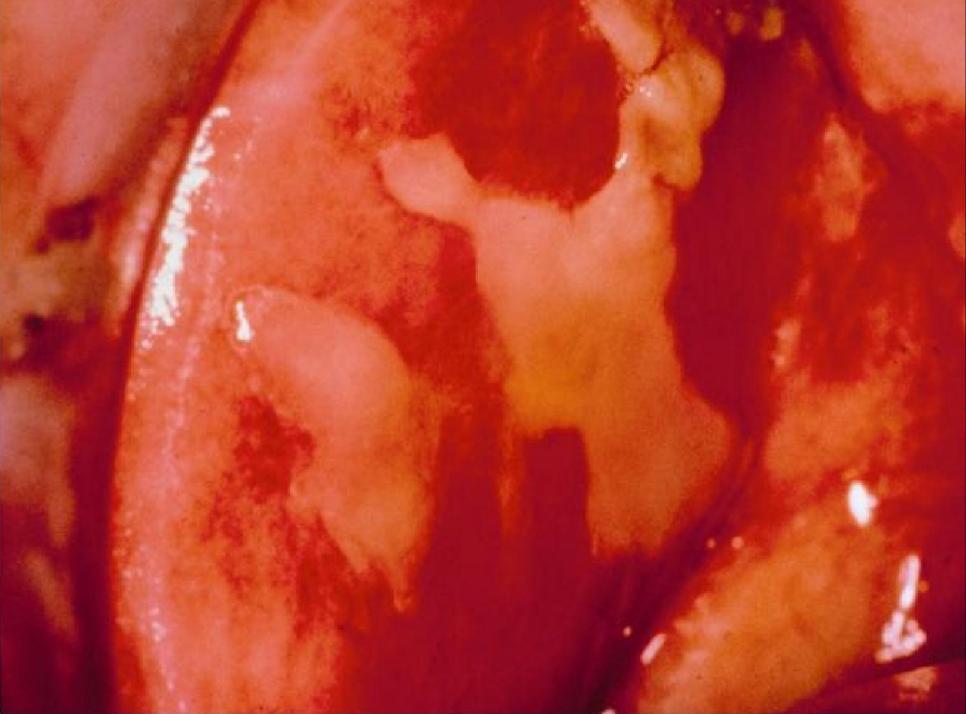
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# Inhibidores m-TOR. Ulceras orales

- Sirolimus, everolimus, temsirolimus, deferolimus
- Cáncer de ovario, renal, mieloma y transplantes
- Clasificadas inicialmente como mucositis orales, por similitud con la quimioterapia convencional, siendo publicadas así
- Sin embargo, la historia natural, los efectos adversos asociados y la presentación clínica no son coherentes con ese diagnóstico

# Mucositis oral inducida por citostáticos

- Desarrollo gradual de lesiones ulcerativas  
Ulcerative phase develops gradually
- Ulceras sin morfología específica
- Ulceras revestidas por pseudomembrana
- Afectan a mucosa móvil y fija
- Bordes poco definidos y eritematosos
- Generalmente asociadas a otras toxicidades de la QT (gastrointestinal)



La apariencia clínica de las úlceras orales inducidas por inhibidores de mTOR es de aftosis

- Lesiones ulcerosas, delimitadas, ovales y de tamaño pequeño-mediano
- Las lesiones no son tan profundas como en la mucositis por qt convencional
- Centro con revestimiento fibrinoso amarillento
- Lesiones localizadas en la zona de la mucosa móvil (labios, mejillas, suelo de boca, paladar blando y lengua)



# Curso clínico de las aftosis inducidas por mTOR Inh

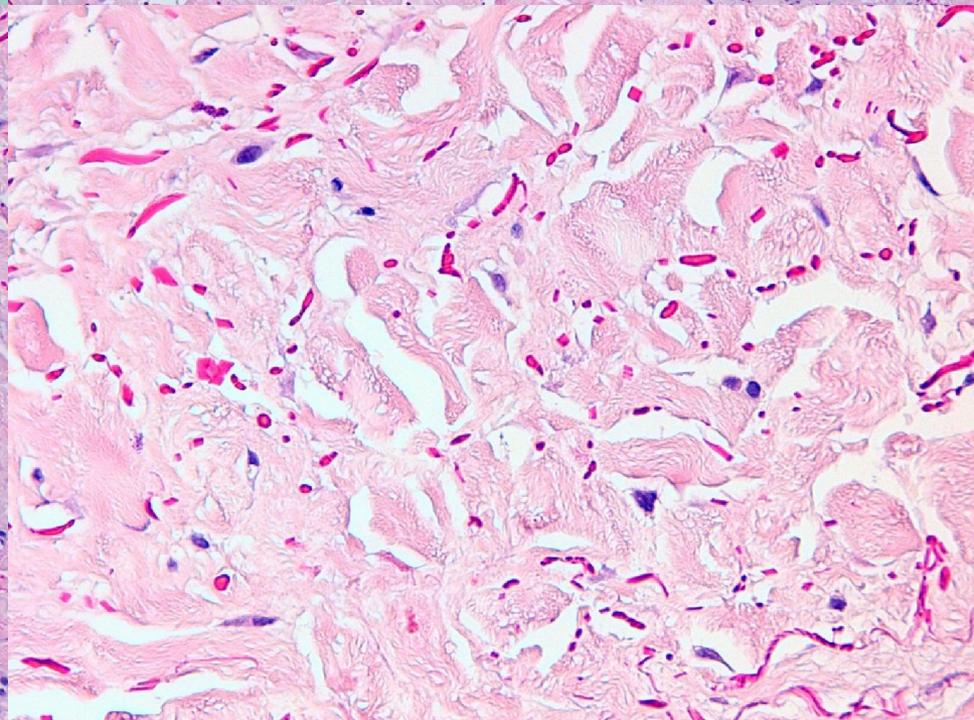
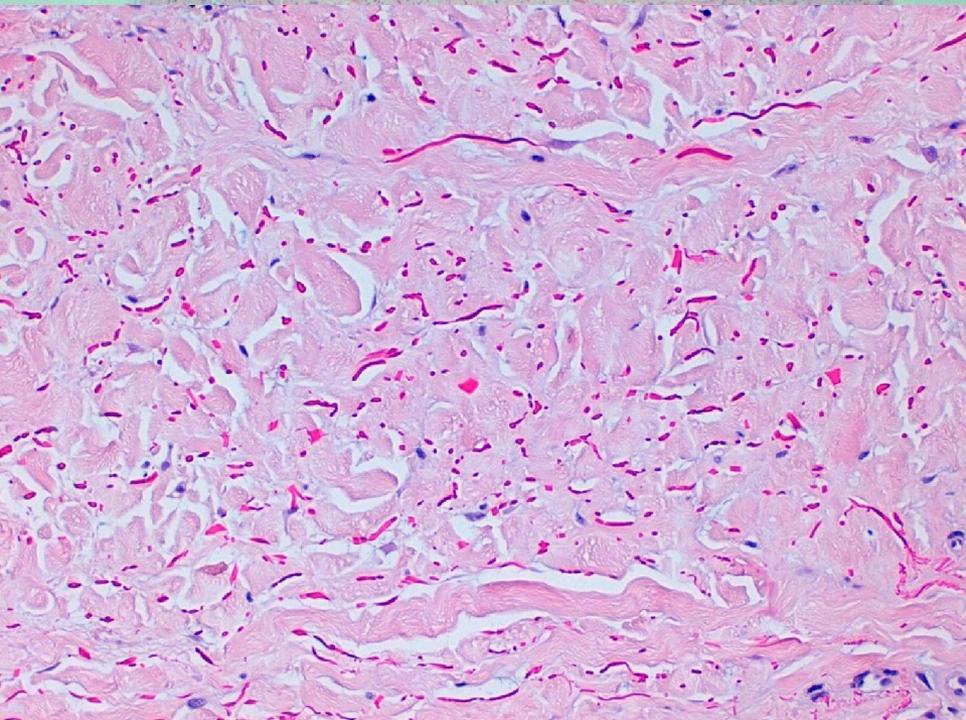
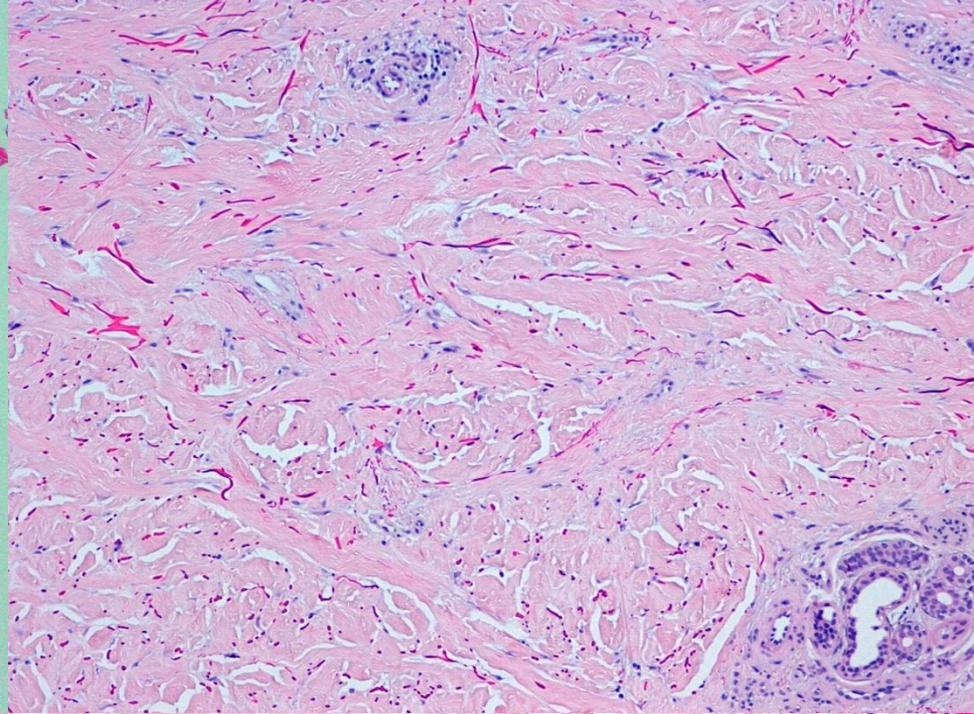
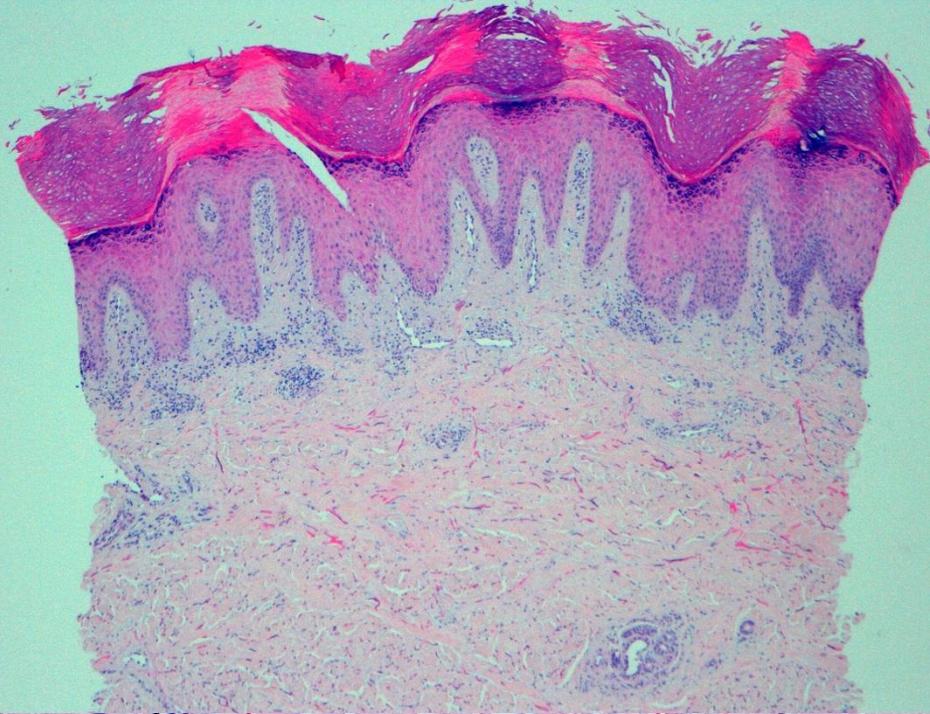
- Inicio precoz (5<sup>o</sup> día de tto)
- Dolorosas con la movilidad
- Tendencia a la resolución espontánea
- Buena respuesta a esteroides tópicos

# Esclerodermia inducida por taxanos

- No es un efecto secundario infrecuente
- Afectación exclusivamente cutánea, sin repercusión sistémica
- **Relacionada con la dosis total acumulada de TAXANOS**
- Primer fenómeno: EDEMA, que despues es seguido por INDURACIÓN CUTÁNEA
- Edema de piernas frecuente durante el tratamiento con taxanos
- Tratamiento: prednisona oral y ajuste de dosis de taxano







Patient	Age (years)/sex	Primary tumour	Regimen (mg m <sup>-2</sup> )	Onset of oedema/skin sclerosis <sup>a</sup> (months)	Total cumulative dose <sup>b</sup> (mg m <sup>-2</sup> )	Location of sclerosis	Total skin thickness score	Therapy	Outcome
1	37/F	Left breast	T (60–75) P (80)	5/17	T (1380) P (960)	All extremities	18	Drug change Steroid systemic therapy	Slight improvement
2	53/F	Right breast	T (60)	5/10	T (720)	Lower extremities	8	Steroid ointment Rehabilitation	No change
3	66/F	Left breast	T (60)	6/16	T (1200)	Left upper and lower extremities	14	Drug discontinuance Steroid ointment Rehabilitation	Slight improvement
4	46/F	Right breast	T (60–75)	6/11	T (1120)	Lower extremities	12	Drug change Steroid systemic therapy Rehabilitation	Slight improvement
5	61/F	Left breast	T (60–75) P (80)	12/17	T (1080) P (1120)	Lower extremities	Unknown	Drug change Steroid ointment	Unknown

T, docetaxel; P, paclitaxel. <sup>a</sup>Onset of oedema/skin sclerosis = the period from the initiation of taxane therapy to the onset of oedema/skin sclerosis. <sup>b</sup>Total cumulative dose = the cumulative dose of taxanes at the time of onset of skin sclerosis.

# Síndrome de Raynaud (Bleomicina)



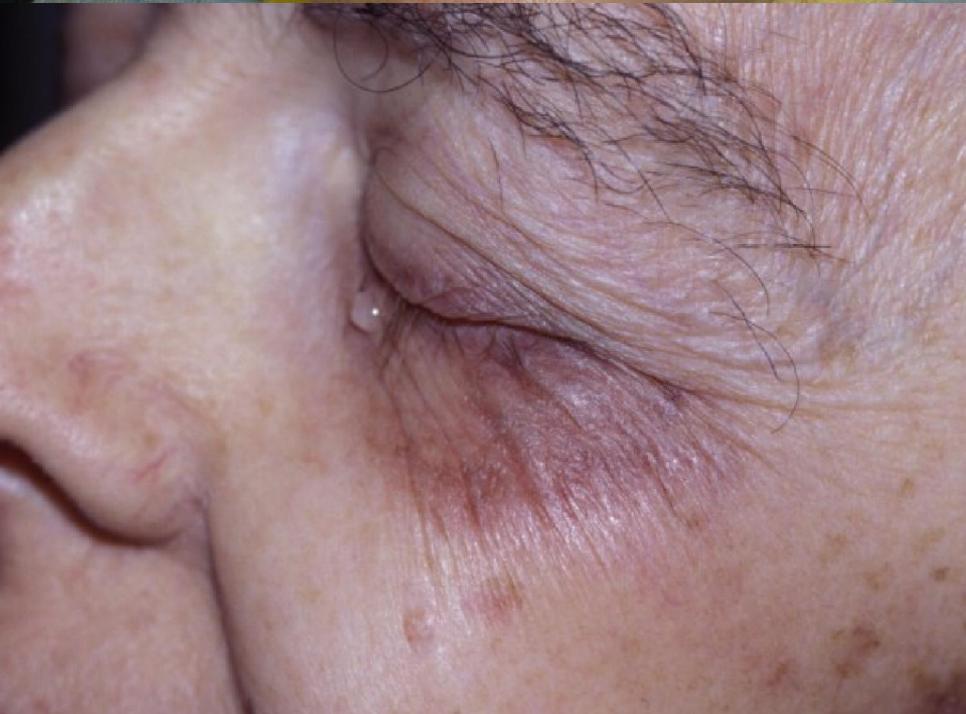
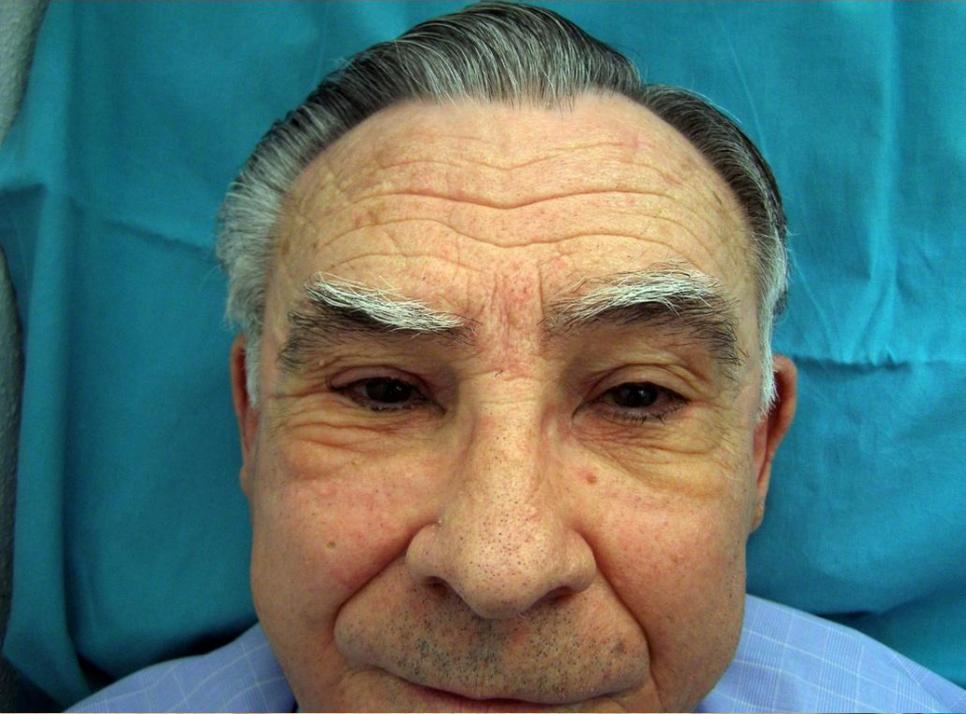
# Esclerodactilia (Bleomicina y Taxanos)

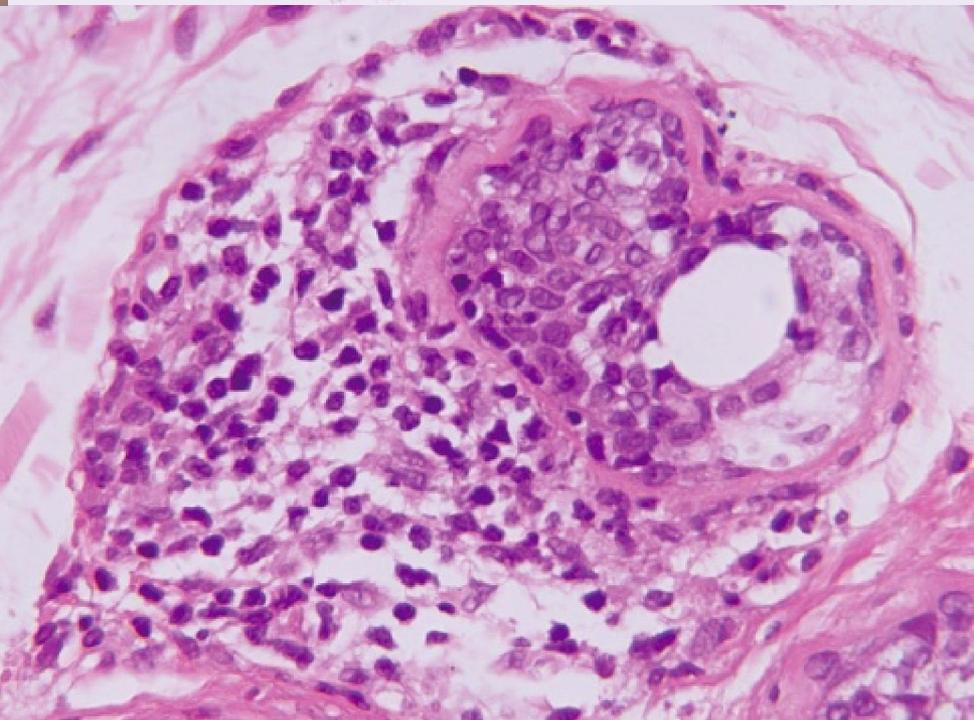
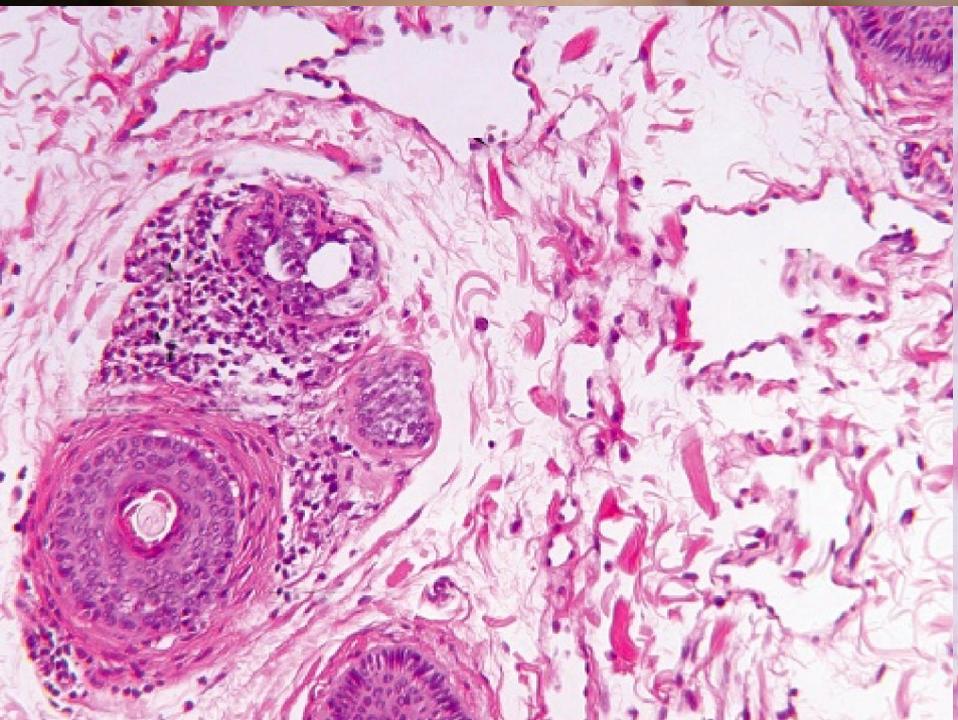
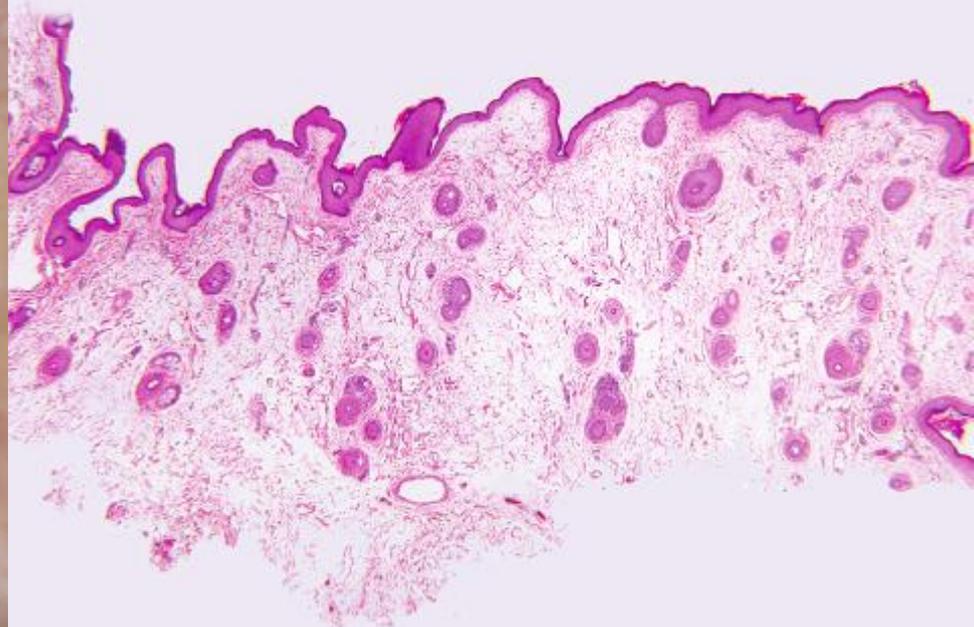


# MULTIKINASE INHIBITORS EDEMA



- Imatinib, less frequent Sunitinib and Sorafenib
- Dose-dependent
- Most common: Periorbital, esp after 2 months (1-400 days)
- Appears in up to 70% patients with imatinib
- 20% with concomitant peripheral edema





# MULTIKINASE INHIBITORS EDEMA



## ● Pathogenesis

- Inhibition of platelet-derived growth factor receptor (PDGFR) signaling by the drug.
- PDGFR signaling has been shown to increase the interstitial fluid pressure in the dermis of rodents
- Inhibition of the PDGFR signaling cascade may result in increased capillary permeability and extravasation of fluid
- PDGFR is highly expressed in dermal dendrocytes of periocular area

# SPLINTER HEMORRHAGES

- Seen frequently with sunitinib and sorafenib
- Most common skin toxicity
- Blockade of VEGFr (>>> PDGFr) might impair the physiological repair of nail bed capillaries



# PSEUDOPORPHYRIA

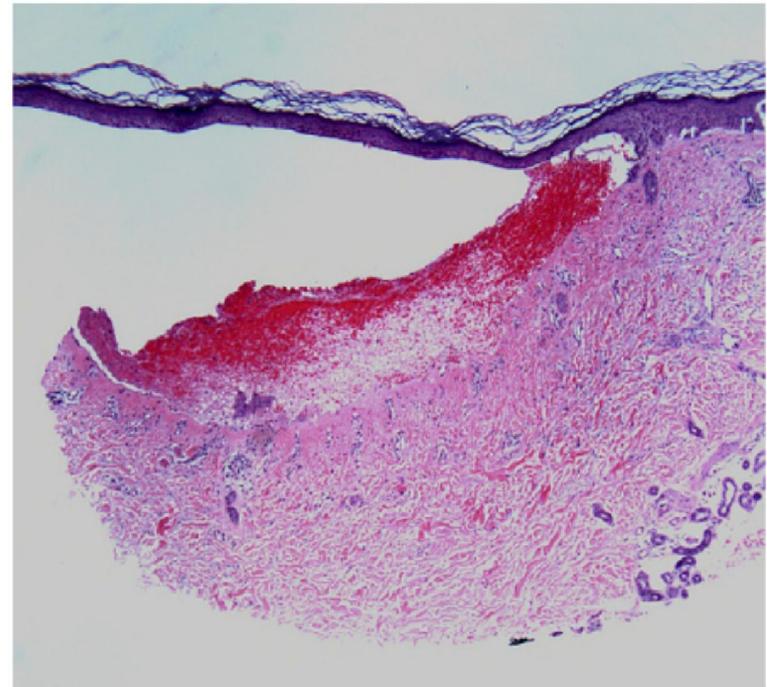


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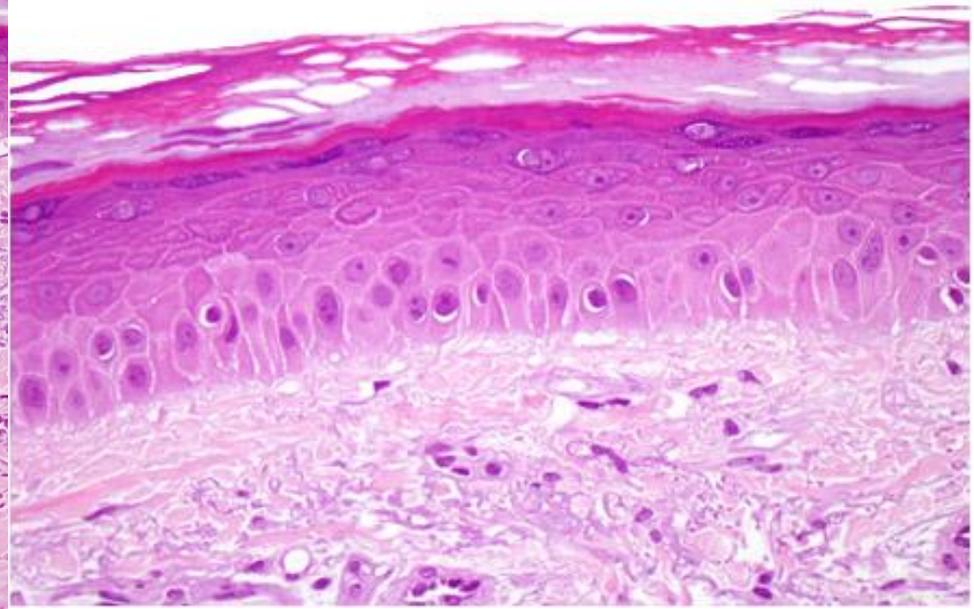
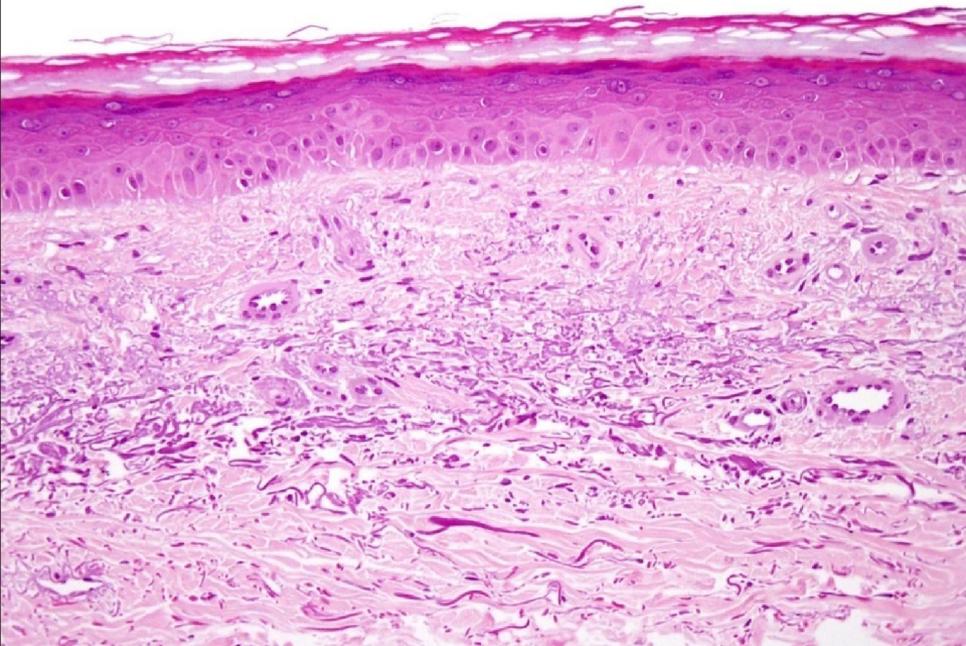
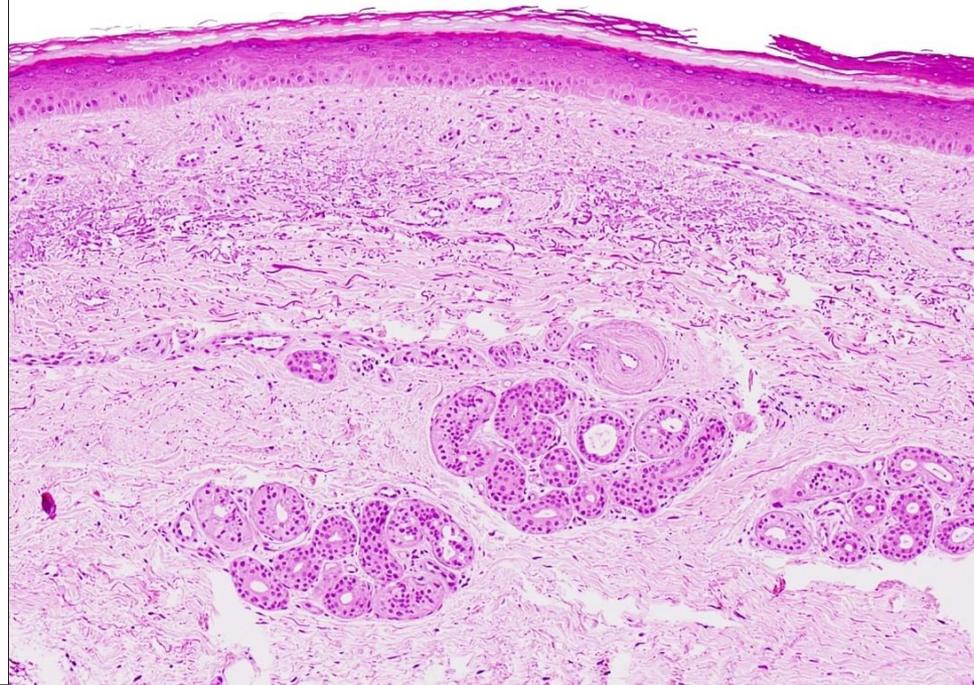
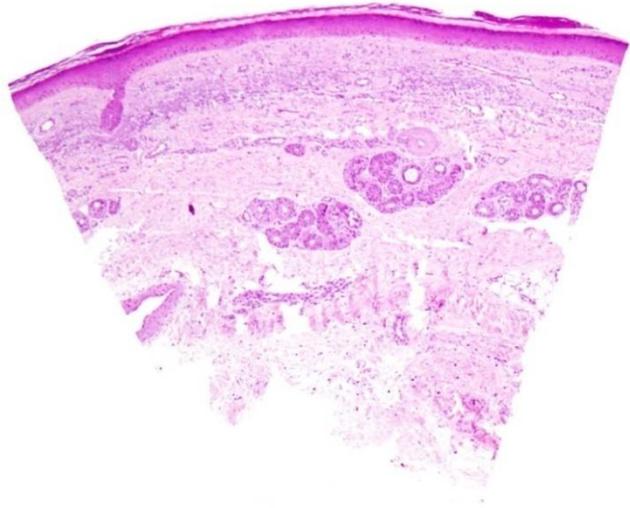


**Fig 1.** Skin fragility with vesicles on the dorsal surface of the hands that were induced by imatinib.



**Fig 2.** Cell poor, hemorrhagic subepidermal split with thickening of the dermal vasculature. (Courtesy of the University of Pittsburgh Department of Dermatopathology. Hematoxylin–eosin stain; original magnification:  $\times 10$ .)





# PSEUDOPORPHYRIA



- Pseudoporphyria describes a bullous photosensitivity that clinically and histologically mimics porphyria cutanea tarda.
- No demonstrable porphyrin abnormalities are present
- photosensitizing drug might behave in a similar fashion to porphyrins and target similar structures in the skin
- Atrophy of the skin may make it more susceptible to bruising or tearing.
- Imatinib and Sunitinib are likely to cause this due to the blocking of molecules in skin that are important for its repair and regeneration, both of which occur on a daily basis

# CUTANEOUS HYPOPIGMENTATION INDUCED BY c-kit INHIBITION



- c-kit and its ligand stem cell factor are implicated in melanogenesis, melanocyte homeostasis and UV-B induced pigmentation
- C-kit inhibition may induce depigmentation, hypopigmentation , inability to tan and hair decoloration
- **Induced by** imatinib, sunitinib y sorafenib

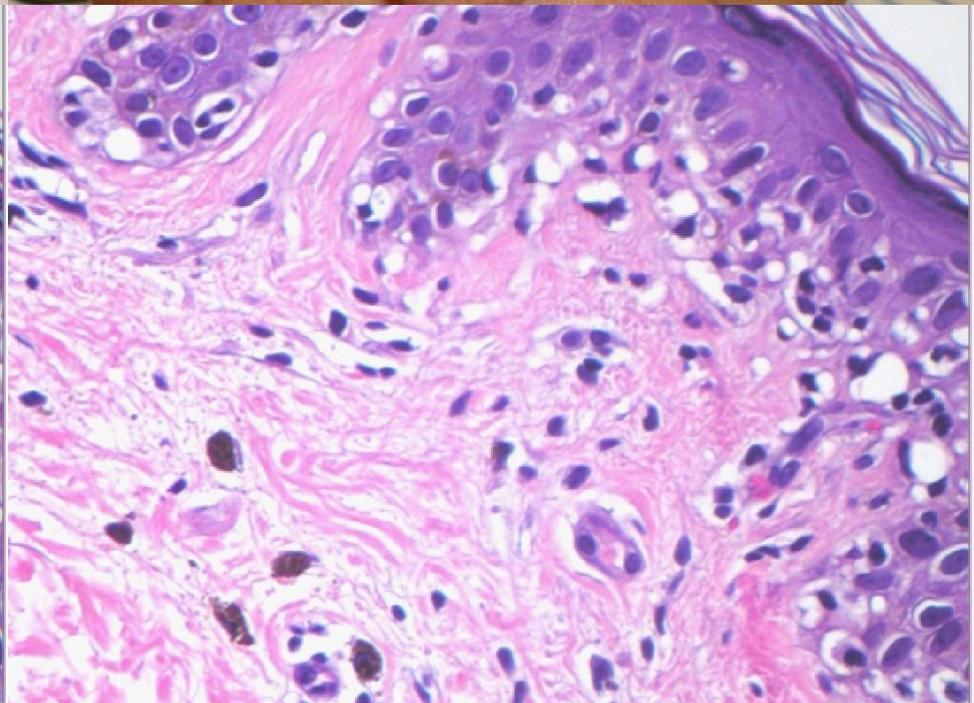
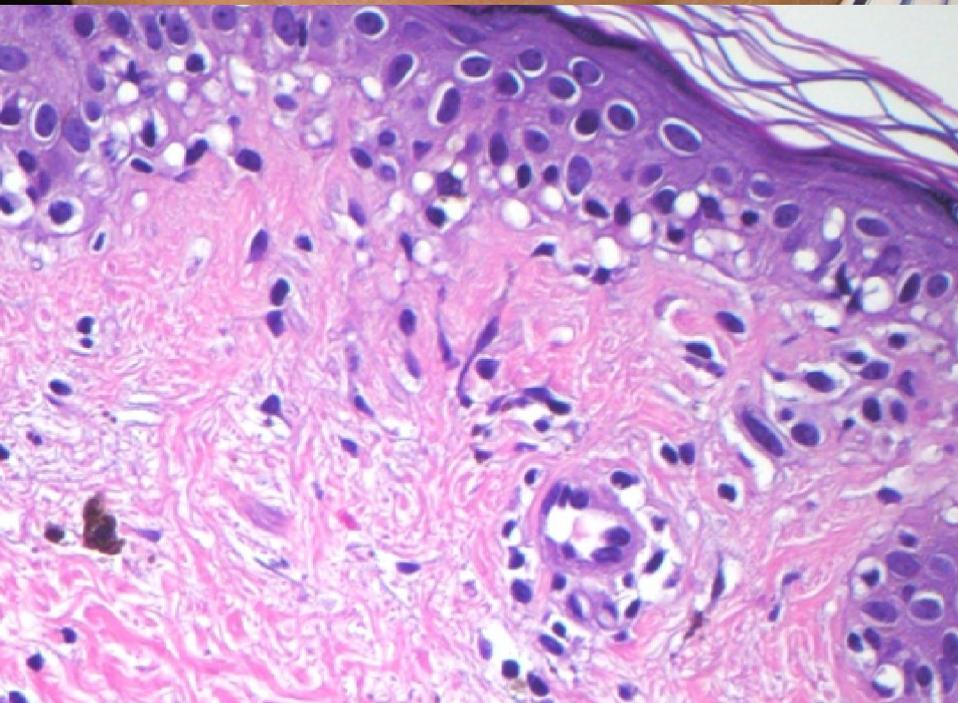


# YELLOWISH DISCOLORATION OF THE SKIN



- Only described with sunitinib
- Transient yellow skin discoloration with associated yellow discoloration of urine
- Due to drug deposition in the skin and urine excretion
- Seen in 1/3 of patients
- It is noted after 1 week of treatment





# NEUTROPHILIC DERMATOSIS



- Pyoderma gangrenosum, Sweet syndrome, Exantematous pustulosis and neutrophilic eccrine hidradenitis
- Described with imatinib and sunitinib
- Inhibition of c-kit and PDGFR by both sunitinib and imantininib might account for the occurrence of similar cutaneous side-effects.

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### Pyoderma gangrenosum: another cutaneous side-effect of sunitinib?

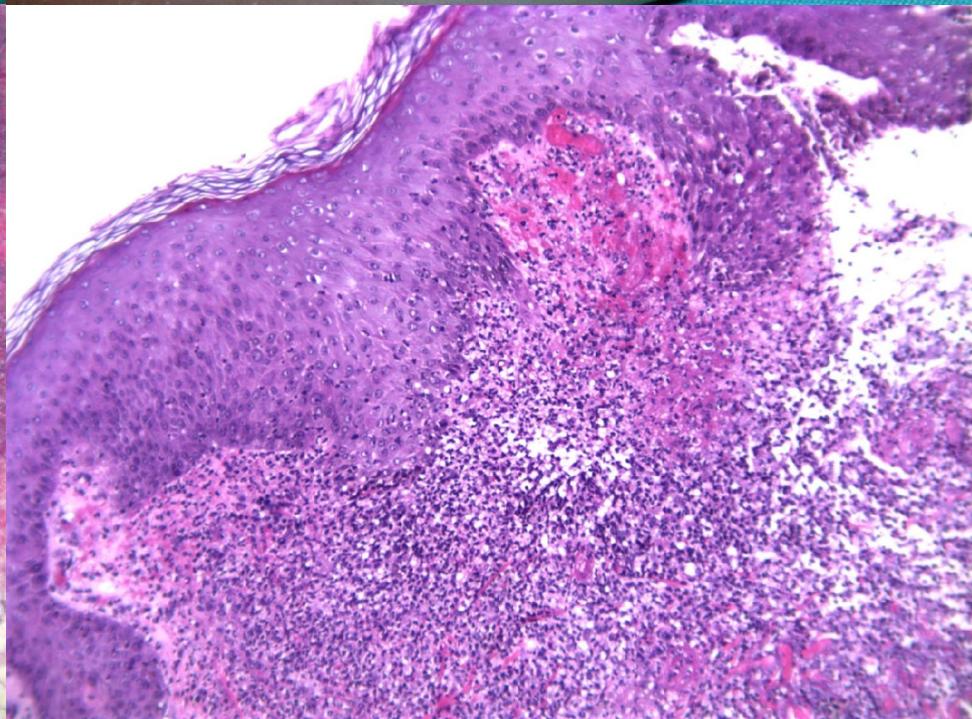
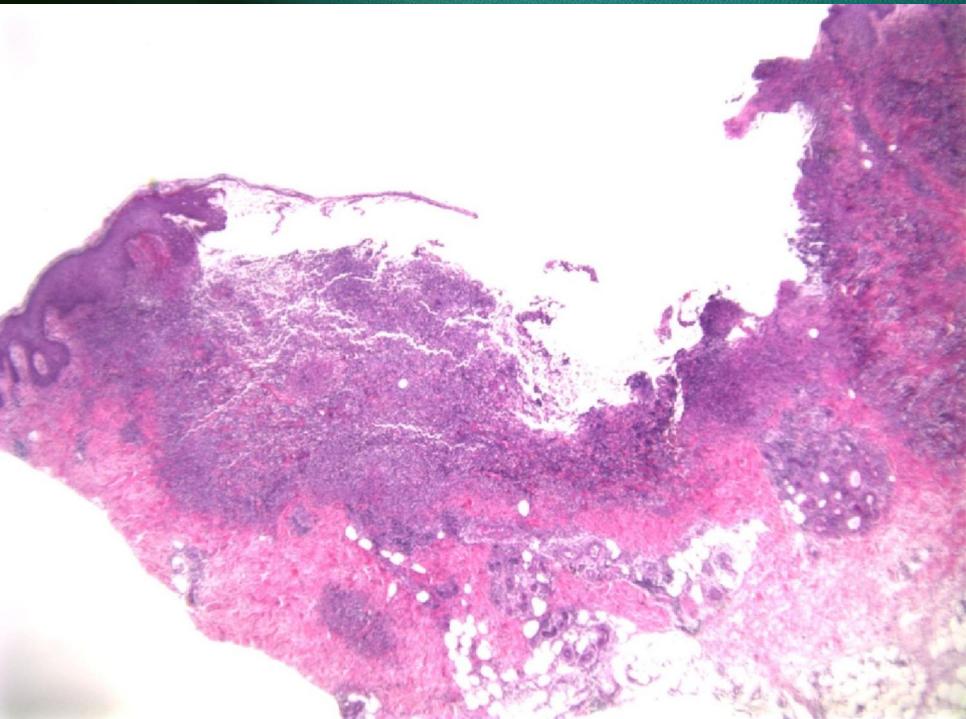
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SIR, Pyoderma gangrenosum (PG) is a rare, noninfectious, reactive neutrophilic dermatosis which usually begins with pustules or bullae and rapidly evolves to painful ulcers with violaceous borders.<sup>1</sup> Histopathology reveals only nonspecific changes. However, early PG can show a perivascular and intramural lymphocytic infiltration with a peripheral neutrophilic component and fibrinoid necrosis.<sup>1</sup> The underlying pathogenic mechanisms remain unclear. Immune deregulation was proposed, including neutrophil dysfunction and overexpression of



Fig 1. (a) A 76-year-old woman on sunitinib therapy presenting with a 10 × 10 cm ulcer with a green-necrotic base and an undermined violaceous border on her lower left leg after trauma. (b) Complete healing of the lesions after discontinuation of sunitinib treatment.

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# DRUG INDUCED PYODERMA GANGRENOSUM



- Otherwise classical PG lesions clinically
- Typically described with IFN, colony stimulating factors, sulpride (antipsychotic agent)
- Histologically indistinguishable from PG of idiopathic type

# Imatinib-Induced Sweet Syndrome in a Patient With Chronic Myeloid Leukemia

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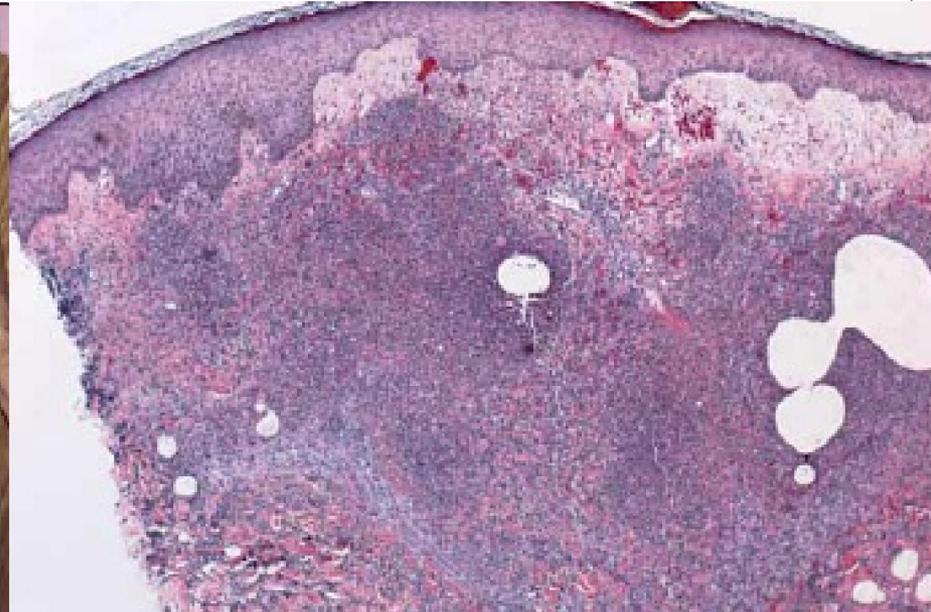
**Background:** Imatinib mesylate has become one of the main chemotherapeutic agents currently used to treat patients with chronic myeloid leukemia (CML). Although cutaneous reactions to this drug have been documented before, this is the first time that Sweet syndrome has been reported with its use.

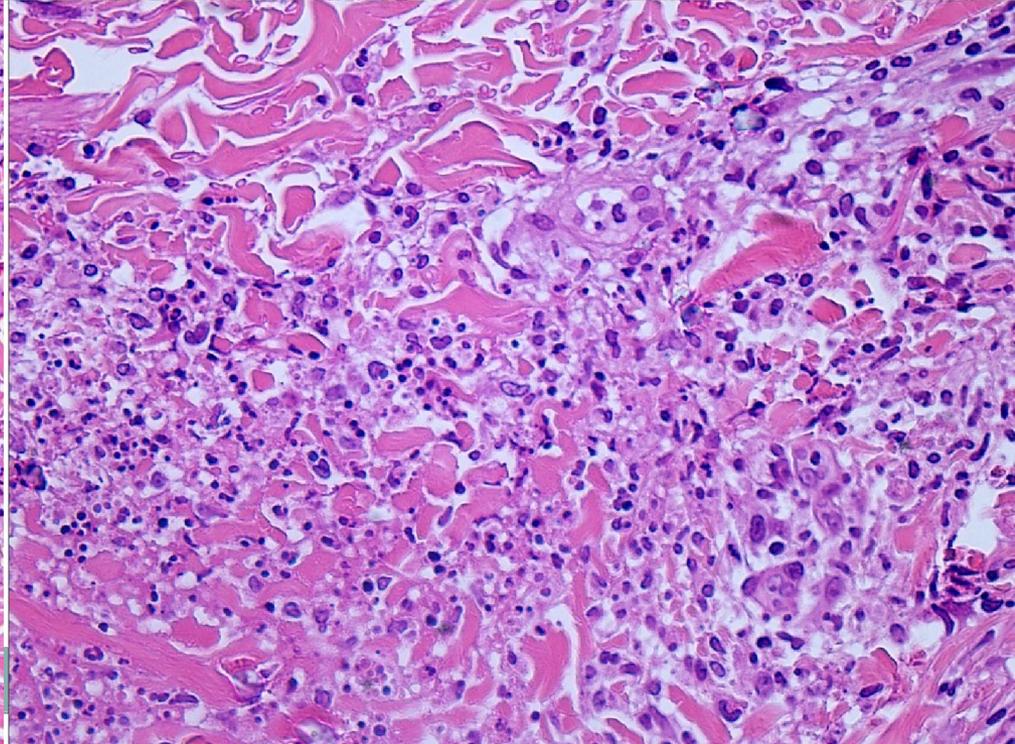
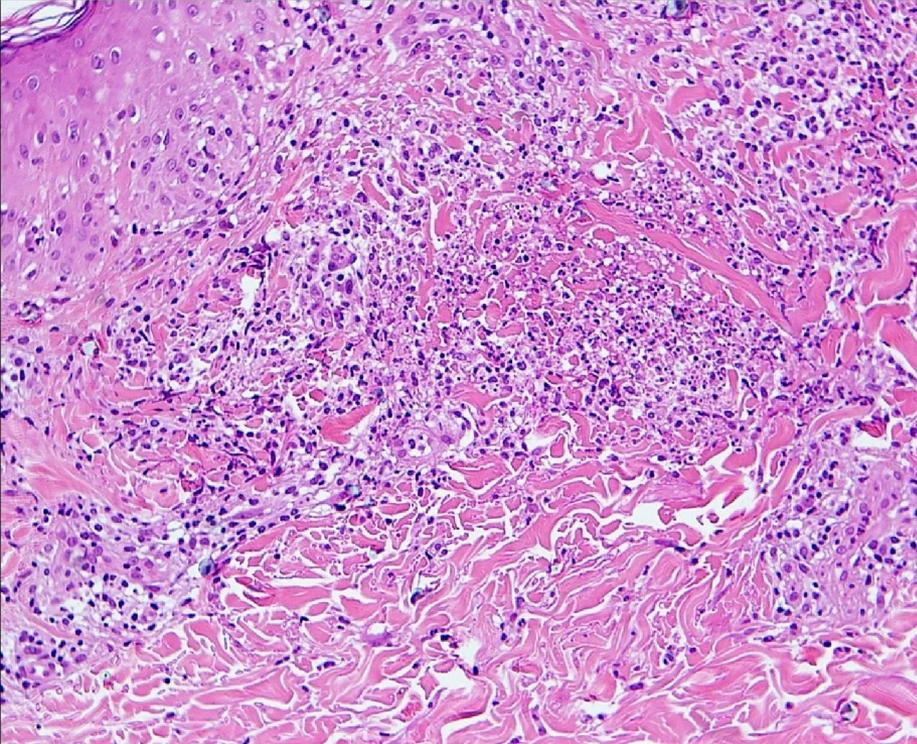
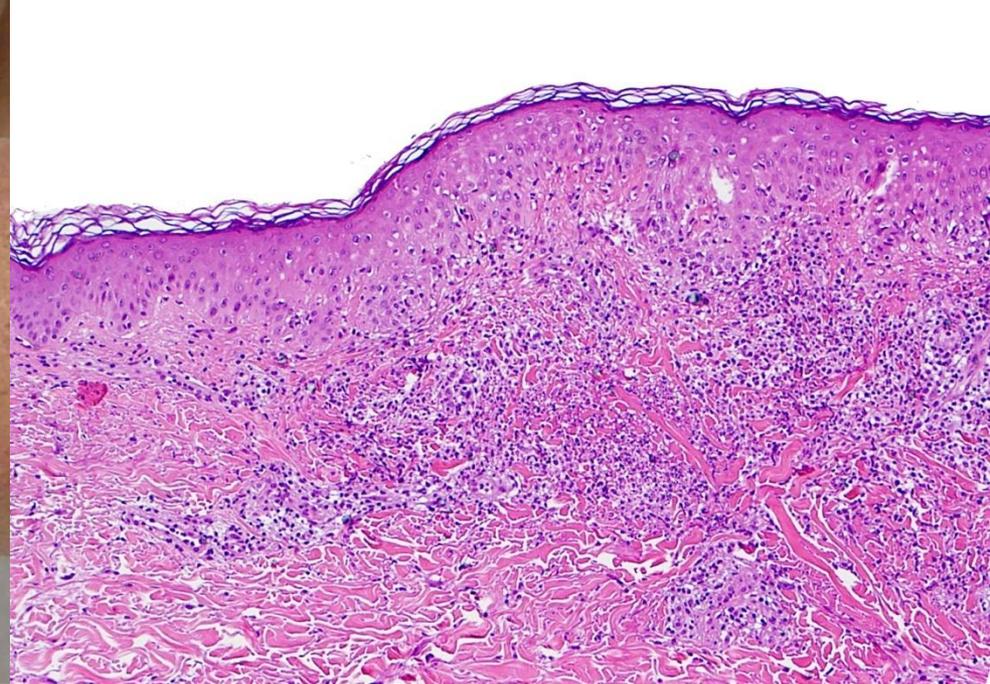
**Observations:** We report a case of Sweet syndrome secondary to the administration of imatinib to treat CML. On 2 separate occasions, a 53-year-old African Ameri-

can woman with CML developed neutrophilic dermatosis consistent with Sweet syndrome after chemotherapy with imatinib.

**Conclusion:** Greater awareness of the adverse effects of imatinib and the characterization of its cutaneous adverse effects will lead to improved surveillance for and treatment of those adverse effects.

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# DRUG-INDUCED SWEET'S SYNDROME



- Acral-based often symmetrical pustulopapular eruption on dorsal aspect of extremities
- Typically described with Cytokines of GM-CSF/G-CSF classes
- Histologically indistinguishable from idiopathic Sweet's syndrome

# Multiple Squamous Cell Carcinomas of the Skin After Therapy With Sorafenib Combined With Tipifarnib

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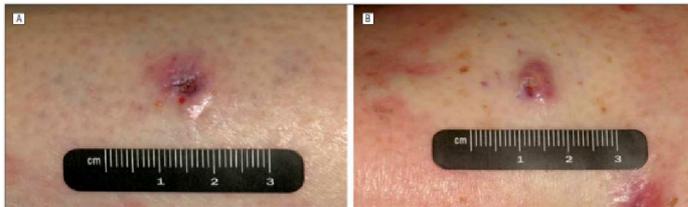


Figure 1. Erythematous nodules on the medial aspect of the right calf (A) and the right anterior thigh area (B). The picture of the lesion on the right calf was taken after biopsy.

