Another Rash ?
At the completion of this session the learner will be able to:

1. Identify common skin rashes seen in dermatology

2. Differentiate between rashes that require urgent treatment and those that require monitored therapy.

3. Determine an appropriate treatment plan for common rashes
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Dermatologic conditions are the number one reason to enter ambulatory walk in clinics.

The skin is the largest organ of the body and frequently is a measure of what is occurring internally.
Take a good history

- Duration
- What did it look like in the beginning and how has it progressed?
- Does anyone else in your immediate family or workers have a similar rash?
- Have you been ill and in what way?
- What have you treated the rash with prescription or over the counter medications?
Take a good history

- Have they seen anyone and what diagnosis were you given?
- What is your medical history?
- What medicines do you take?
- Does it itch, hurt, scale, or asymptomatic? Give it a scale.
- How did it begin and what does has it changed (tie this into treatment history)?
- Is the patient sick?
What does it looks like?

- Macule vs. Patch
- Papule, nodule, pustule, tumor
- Vesicle or Bulla
- Petechial or purpura
- Indurated vs. non-indurated
- Is it crusted...deep or superficial
- What pattern.... Blaschkos vs. dermatome, symmetrical, central vs. caudal, reticular, annular vs. linear
- Pigment, vascularity
Dermatology is very visual....look think and make an impression.

Dermatology is also very tactile. Use your hands. Use your sense of smell.

Listen and evaluate and re-measure your impression.
If the rash is symmetrical...think bug or drug.

When biopsy...know what you are looking for to do the correct technique.
A Tattoo I approve of

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These cases were all listed at the front desk as “rash”
It has been itching here for a few months
I itch all over

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Dermatitis ?allergic/contact/irritant or eczema

- This is chronic lichen simples..note cracking and thickening of skin that spares the fissures.

- May be a fine rash or may be a thickened rash...the itch that rashes. Control the itch.
Controlling the itch

- High dose antihistamines
- Steroid with wet soak watch out for TAC and other fluorinated as they may lead to hypopigmentation
- TCI
- Moisturization
- Gentle soap
- Free detergent
- Variety of allergy testing (prick, blood or patch?)
Rash keeps growing on my fingers
Started new med and used sunscreen
burning rash on sun exposed skin

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Drug was Cimzia

Sunscreen was a chemical base

Biopsy favored drug induced photo sensitivity

Drug changed and the condition resolved

With sun exposure think: photosensitivity, polymorphic light eruption or connective tissue diseases e.g., lupus (adverse reaction of Cimzia)
These bumps really itch
Itchy especially at night and itches intensely.

Has used Cortaid and antihistamines and nothing works.
Scabies  An assumption of a rash on the trunk in middle age with intense itching at night

Axillary if common with infants

Loves the umbilicus and interdigitary areas in most ages

If you see intense scaling in elder or immunosuppressed consider Norwegian crusted scabies....teaming with scabies and highly infectious.
Treatment:
- 5% permethrin cream
- 25% benzyl benzoate
- 10% sulfur
- 10% crotamiton cream
- 1% lindane lotion
- Oral or topical ivermectin
This bump keeps growing

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Symptoms

- Palpable and firm edges (unless repeatedly manually expressed)
- Very mobile
- May have history of forceful expression of cheesy white or yellow material
- THESE ARE NOT INFECTIOUS
Diagnosis and Treatment

- Epidermoid Cyst
- I & D (don’t recommend as some have squamous cell cancer) or elliptical or punch excision.
- If inflamed cyclins (due to their anti-inflammatory effect
- Laser
These bumps have to go
Xanthelsma vs Xanthoma

- Associated with high lipid level with xanthoma not xanthelesma
- Treatment of high cholesterols with statins or diet and exercise
- Excision may lead to scarring and recurrence
This funny rash is on my neck

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Poikiloderma of Civatte

- Peels and hydroquinine may fade
- Exfoliants e.g., alpha hydroxy and tretinoin
- IPL
- Sunscreen, Sunscreen, Sunscreen
I can’t stand these bumps on my eyelids

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Actinic Comedones

- Sunscreen
- Stop smoking
- Retinoids
- Extraction
Keeps getting bigger and itchy

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Tinea

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Tinea faciei treatment

- Treat the itch with antihistamines
- White vinegar 1 TBSP with 2 cups tepid water soak for 15 minutes dry and put on azole cream
- Tinea capitis and faciei may require oral treatment with fluconazole or others
- DO NOT TREAT WITH STEROIDs
This is itchy and started as a pimple

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Majocchis granuloma

- Punch biopsy may consider DIF to rule out connective tissue disease.
- Oral terbinafine for 4 to 8 weeks or fluconazole for similar treatment
- AVOID STEROIDS
Onychomycosis usually will find tinea pedis
Onychomycosis

- Can do nail clipping to prove
- Topical laquers: boron, azole, thymol,
- May need oral terbinafine
- Look and treat for tinea pedis
- Don’t forget the shoes
I hate this bruise

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Actinic Purpura

- Solar damage
- OTC products
- Often use a cream with arnica montana
This is growing after my heart surgery is it cancer

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I have these since I have had acne

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Keloid/Hypertrophic Scar

- Histologically different
- Clinically a hypertrophic scar stays within its boundaries but a keloid extends beyond its original scar site
- LN2
- TAC injection
- Silicone gel or patch
- Laser
Venous Stasis Dermatitis

- Compression is imperative
- Unna boots are still usefully
- Referral for varicose vein repair
- Statins regardless of lipid levels
- Assess for secondary infection however this is rare and always culture ideally with a tissue culture before treating
- If ulcerated, silver products or umbilical cord tissue
- Steroid and moisturizers
I have these white spots can you make them go away?
Damage from long term sun exposure and melanocytes have been “blasted”

SUNSCREEN, Sunscreen, sunscreen

IPL and Peels may be of some help
Why does my son have this sudden mark?
What do you think this patient is doing?
Erythema Ab Igne

- Due to heat
- This patient had been using his computer/game station and the power source was on this side.
- Remove heat and skin will usually return to normal in 6 months to a year.
- Sunscreen as sun will increase the likelihood of permanent hyperpigmentation
I got a call from a pediatric nurse
asymptomatic line

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Unilateral Thoracic Exanthem

- Usually asymptomatic but is variable.
- Usually has a virus preceding. Take the history as usually has had a URI
- Resolves without treatment
- Reassurance
This doesn’t hurt but is a big bump
Keloid after ear piercing

- Never excise as it will worsen
- Send to a dermatology...may excise with imiquimod
I have these painless bumps on my forehead

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Sebaceous Hyperplasia

- Retinoids. Oral use of isotretinoin for 2 to 4 months. This population is older so lipid risk is of concern
- Do not excise
- IPL or Laser
This hurts and itches and has been here for 4 days

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Herpes Zoster

- Pain usually precedes rash. Some may have itch. Pain is usually “burning”
- Is not a bilateral rash
- Early phases treat with antivirals
- Steroids in some cases
- Important to turn off the pain switch with lidocaine patches or gabapentin
I have an itchy rash that won’t go away
Id/Dyshidrotic Eczema

- Differentiate
- If Id treat the primary fungal source
- If eczema, steroid creams, moisturization, gentle soaps, free detergent, TCI, gloves (either physical or barrier) and generous use of antihistamines
This bump keeps bleeding

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Note the collarate. An excessive response of tissue healing.

Shave and hyfrecate base.

May reoccur
I have this itchy rash

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Interesting patient had a fistula above the rash

- Example of venous stasis
This rash is ugly but doesn’t itch or hurt
Stucco Keratoses

- Variant of seborrheic keratosis
- Do not require treatment
- Patient can scrub off with pumice bar after moisturization
This seems so dirty

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Acanthosis Nigricans

- Seen as a normal variant but may be a marker of diabetes, thyroid and other endocrine disease. Test if felt to be a high risk.

- Weight loss, exercise, antiseptic soaps, amlactin or lac-hydrin

- Do not underestimate the power of Mediterranean diet and exercise on the skin
This bump is cancer I think
Digital myxoid cyst

- Palpable firm edge near a joint on the finger
- Variant of ganglion cyst
- LN2 or excision
- Does not require treatment
I don’t like these bumps
Dermatosis Papulosa Nigricans

- Variant of SK
- Difficult to treat as it may cause hypopigmentation
I have these all over since childhood
Along with these
Requires neurologic, and dermatologic referral
Can you remove this?
Cicatrix post herpes shingles

- Scarring is in a classic pattern.
- Laser may be helpful
I have been using an ointment to try and clear this up
Perioral Dermatitis

- Inflammatory rash
- Note perioral sparing.
- May be a precursor of rosacea
- Frequently exacerbated by topical steroid use. ALWAYS AVOID STEROID USE
- 1 to 2 months of cyclins and TCI will clear
I am getting pimples at my age
Is an inflammatory disease of the central face

ETR to papular pustular to granulomatous and ocular may occur at any point

Treatment based on stage and range from vasoconstrictors, to cyclins, to metronidazole, to ivermectin, to IPL

Chronic

Need to be aware of triggers
My legs are blue

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Blue pigmentation due to minocycline

- The dangers of long term minocycline use.
- May or may not reverse after discontinuation.
- Amiodaraone, antipsychotics, seizure meds can cause hyperpigmentation
- Steroids can cause hypopigmentation and vessel formation with fat atrophy
- Nsaints and others can cause fixed drug eruption
I have this sore on my penis that won’t go away.
Zoon’s balantis

- Not cancer
- Inflammatory condition
- Responds to TCI and steroids
- Referral usually wise as cannot rule out squamous cell cancer without a biopsy
Interesting Cases

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This patient was placed on the schedule as a “rash”. When queried she has had the rash all of her life and wants to know if it is cancer.

Note the distribution pattern.
Cont: On my back of legs too
And further down my leg
Congenital arteriovenous malformation that follows Blaschko’s line.

A form of cutaneous mosaicism.

IPL, PDT, Laser
Rash all over, chills, feel sick
These are my patients who have entrusted me with their photos.
Our plans in life
This is my real life
Thank you.

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