

CLINICAL PHOTOGRAPH

COVID Leg – Exacerbation of Eczema in a 43 Years Old Male

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Fig. 1: Brownish black, erythematous, crusted lesions on the right lower leg with hypopigmentation and intense itching. (A full case report has been submitted to an international journal for publishing on 22nd May, 2020).

Eczematous lesions are susceptible to flare due to the current stressful climate surrounding the pandemic. We report a clinical photograph of exacerbation in the lower limb eczematous lesions in a 43 years old male; already diagnosed case of eczema. He is a factory worker, residing at home, and unemployed for the last 2 months. He presented with crusted, erythematous patches with marked itching over the right lower limb beneath the knee. The lesions were multiple, largest measuring 2.5 cm × 1.5 cm while smallest measured 0.3 cm × 0.2 cm. The patient was currently not taking any medication and reported rapid progression of the patches within 3 weeks. He had low-grade fever and

body aches. There were no other respiratory tract symptoms or headache. The diagnosis of COVID-19 was made clinically after contact tracing as the patient has been in contact with a COVID-19 patient, his real brother, who was admitted in a quarantine Centre at Lasbela. The respiratory swab test on real-time reverse-transcriptase polymerase chain reaction (rRT-PCR) was positive for the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

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