

Patient History

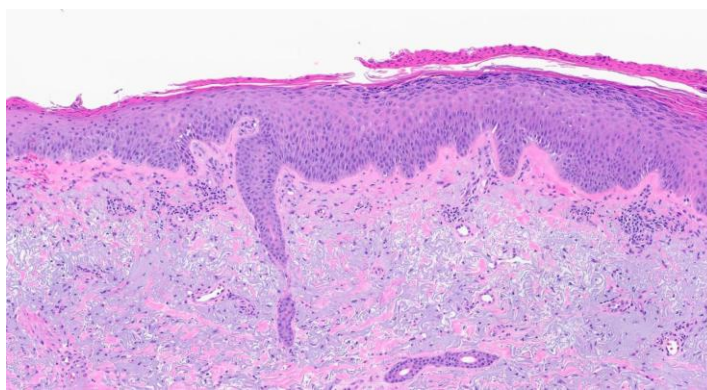
66-year-old male presented with a 5-day acute eruption unresponsive to corticosteroids and reported recent initiation of ezetimibe.



Erythematous, eroded plaques with collarettes of scale on the dorsal hands

Biopsy of the id reaction showed parakeratosis, spongiosis, alternating hyper- and hypogranulosis, and superficial perivascular lymphocytic infiltrate, consistent with psoriasiform spongiotic dermatitis.

Erythema multiforme-like morphology on lateral wrist, found to be id reaction



Diagnosis & Treatment

Findings were consistent with contact dermatitis with secondary id reaction. The patient improved rapidly after treatment with topical mupirocin, oral TMP-SMX, and a short prednisone course.



Erythematous plaques on scalp similar to dorsal hands, consistent with severe contact dermatitis

Learning Points

- Intense contact dermatitis can trigger an id reaction with erythema multiforme-like morphology
- Clinicopathologic correlation is key to accurate diagnosis and management