

Clinical Information: 5/F wart excision under controlled anesthesia

DIAGNOSIS:

 SKIN, LEFT FOOT, EXCISION: PLANTAR VERRUCA VULGARIS (WART).

Teaching Points:

- Viral infection caused by HPV-1 and -4
- Painful hyperkeratosis with black dots (thrombosed capillaries)
- Common among children
- Superficial shaves may only show hyperkeratosis, need deeper shaves or excision for definitive diagnosis

Minimal Diagnostic Criteria:

- Exophytic (outward growth) or endophytic (inward growth)
- Papillomatosis (church roof-like epidermal hyperplasia)
- Vertical tiers of parakeratosis (hyperkeratosis with nuclei)
- Coarse hypergranulosis (thickened epidermal granular layer)
- Serum or blood on surface

Differential Diagnosis:

None



Pink inclusion bodies (viral particles) inside nuclei

