

Schimmelpenning Syndrome

A full-term newborn delivered vaginally with birth weight of 3240 g presented to us with linear verrucous plaques involving face, scalp, upper back and upper limbs. Few plaques were erythematous to skin-colored while some were hyperpigmented (**Fig. 1**). Whole left ear was covered with plaques. Histopathological examination showed hyperkeratosis, focal parakeratosis, follicular plugging, irregular acanthosis, papillomatosis and focal fusion of rete ridges. The patient was diagnosed as Schimmelpenning syndrome. Echocardiography revealed patent ductus arteriosus (PDA) for which the patient was referred to Pediatric Cardiology services.

Schimmelpenning syndrome (SS) is a congenital neurocutaneous disorder encompassing the cutaneous nevi (nevus sebaceous of Jadassohn) in conjunction with extracutaneous (neurologic, skeletal, cardiovascular, ophthalmic, and urologic) anomalies. It is a type of epidermal nevus syndrome with nevus sebaceous in blaszkoid distribution as the hallmark lesion and cerebral abnormalities as the most common systemic findings



FIG. 1 Erythematous skin-coloured linear verrucous plaques present over face, scalp and ear.

(66%). Vascular anomalies are found in 12.6 to 33% of patients with SS. Nevus syringocystadenomatosus papilliferus, which is a sweat gland adenoma, can be differentiated from SS as lesions are pink and nodular. Surgical excision of nevus is the mainstay of treatment.

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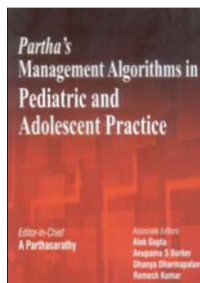
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BOOK REVIEW



Partha's Management Algorithms in Pediatric and Adolescent Practice

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Partha's Management Algorithms in Pediatric and Adolescent Practice is a comprehensive book dealing with problems that are encountered in day-to-day pediatric practice. The clinical matter has been presented in a very concise yet clear way,

making it very easy to understand. The book involves less of theory and talks more about the approach to commonly seen practical issues by way of ample tables and algorithms. The key points presented at the end provide a good review and summary for quick revision. The vast amount of knowledge, with practical tips included, would be highly beneficial to undergraduate and postgraduate students, and practitioners.

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