

SKIN MANIFESTATIONS OF INTERNAL DISEASE

PANNICULITIS OF RHEUMATIC SYNDROMES: "BETE NOIRE" OF DERMATO(PATHO)LOGISTS

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Panniculitides represent a heterogeneous group of inflammatory diseases that are traditionally considered one of the most difficult challenge for clinicians and pathologists (Bete noire). They may occur in a variety of dermato/rheumatologic diseases and are of particular relevance for clinicians dealing with such pathologies, including immune-mediated/autoimmune and autoinflammatory disorders. In fact, panniculitides can be the initial sign of presentation of a dermato/rheumatologic disease, thereby providing the physician with important clues to the correct diagnosis. Then, panniculitides may serve as an easy-to- access indicator of both systemic involvement and prognostic outcome in dermato/rheumatologic disorders.



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