

Medical Quiz Answers

A1. Giant molluscum contagiosum

A2. Itchy

A3. A cutaneous poxvirus illness

DISCUSSION

This unusual lesion may necessitate a biopsy. However, there is a little whitish papule near the tumor's inferior boundary (6 o'clock) and another flat-topped papule with a white core several centimeters inferior-lateral to the lesion, both of which are molluscum lesions. As a result, the tumor fits the description of a gigantic molluscum contagiosum¹.

Molluscum contagiosum is a cutaneous poxvirus illness that primarily affects youngsters. Direct physical contact, fomites, and autoinoculation are all effective ways to disseminate it. Skin-colored or pink pearly dome-shaped papules with central umbilication can appear anywhere on the face or body. Asymptomatic or pruritic skin lesions are possible².

CONCLUSION

Molluscum contagiosum may not require treatment because it is often self-limited in immunocompetent children, though it can take months or years to clear. Cantharidin or cryotherapy are the most

popular treatments for molluscum contagiosum. Topical retinoids, immunomodulators like cimetidine, and antivirals like cidofovir are some of the other options.

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