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Figurate Erythema

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Figure 1: Cutaneous examination of bilateral lower extremities showed annular erythematous plaques with classic trailing scales on the inner aspect of the advancing edge

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A 66-year-old female presented with progressive red lesions on both legs of four weeks duration. She noticed these lesions a few days after she developed bacterial superinfection of a traumatic wound on the right leg. Cutaneous examination of bilateral lower extremities showed annular erythematous plaques with classic trailing scales on the inner aspect of the advancing edge (Figure 1). A potassium hydroxide mount did not reveal fungal elements. A diagnosis of Erythema Annulare Centrifugum (EAC) triggered by an infected ulcer was established. Systemic antibiotics along with local wound care led to the healing of the ulcer. This treatment of the underlying trigger in turn led to the resolution of EAC, with minimal residual hyperpigmentation in the originally affected areas [1].

Keywords: Erythema annulare centrifugum; Figurate erythema; Trailing scale; Tinea

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