

## Case 2

A 44-year-old Thai woman from Nakornpathom

**Chief complaint** Erythematous papules and plaques on face for 9 months

**Present illness** 9 months ago, she developed asymptomatic multiple erythematous papules and plaques on right infraorbital area and nasal ridge. She had no history of fever nor weight loss.

First biopsy was done on 16/10/02, which revealed tuberculous granuloma, special staining were all negative. CXR was negative. She was treated with INH (100) 3x1, Rifampicin (600) 1x1, Pyrazinamide (500) 3x1 and Ethambutol (400) 2x1 for 2 months and INH (100) 3x1, Rifampicin (600) 1x1 for another 2 months. The lesions still persisted.

Rebiopsy was done on 17/01/46, which again, revealed tuberculous granuloma, culture for TB was negative, tuberculin skin test was negative.

**Past illness** Known case of hypertension, on Adalat CR(30) 1x1, Prenolol(50) 1x1.

**Family history** No history of hypertension, diabetes and tuberculosis in family.

### Physical examination

Vital signs : BP 130/80 mmHg, P 76/min

GA : a healthy Thai middle-aged female, not pale, no jaundice

HEENT : multiple vivid erythematous, hard, cutaneous papules and nodules, formed into plaques on normal skin-colored base

Lymph nodes: not palpable

RS : clear

CVS : normal S1, S2, no murmur

Abdomen : no hepatosplenomegaly



Fig.1

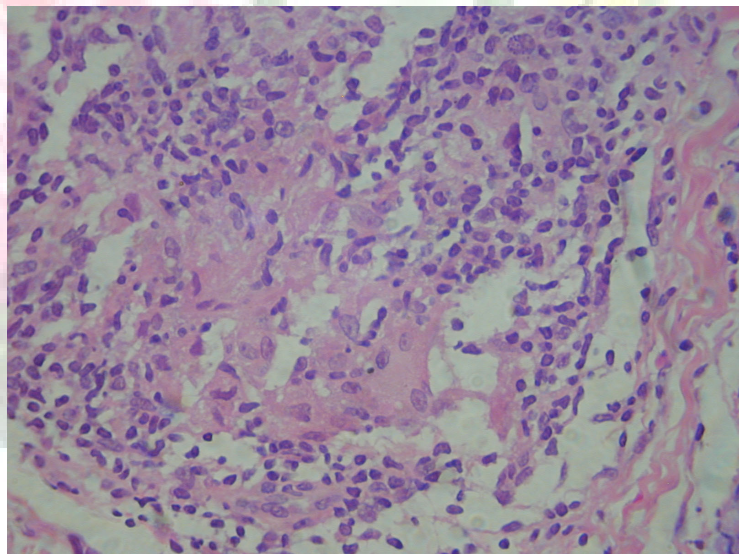


Fig.2

### Histopathology : (Slide No. S03-764)

- Dense perifollicular and nodular inflammatory cell-infiltrate of lymphohistiocytes in association with tuberculoid granuloma around the hair follicles
- Absence of comedone or abscess formation
- All special stains negative for organisms

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**Diagnosis** Granulomatous rosacea

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