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Lupus erythematosus is a chronic inflammatory autoimmune disease characterized by a wide spectrum of manifestations with variable evolution. There has been a long-standing need for a book with a unifying concept on the cutaneous manifestations of lupus erythematosus. This book is based on multidisciplinary knowledge and is written by leading clinicians and scientists. It provides not only a comprehensive description of the vast variety of cutaneous abnormalities but also a synthesis of the relationship between cutaneous and systemic changes, including chapters on clinical aspects, pathology and management of this disease.

Part I

Part II

Part III
Pathologic Features

Part IV
Therapy of cutaneous lupus erythematosus: topical treatment of cutaneous lupus erythemato-
The pitfalls of this excellent book are: LE patients may manifest a variety of skin lesions. A thorough evaluation of any given patient is needed before therapy. If possible, therapy should begin with removal of any identified exacerbating factors and include sunscreens. Calcipotriene or retinoids may be effective in some patients. Intraleisional injection of corticosteroids and oral antimalarials are part of standard therapy.

There is a rich recent reference list in each chapter as well as subject index.

In summary, this book is an important resource for clinicians who diagnose, treat and manage patients with cutaneous lupus erythematosus.

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