

- **Title: A huge debilitating ulceration and cutaneous small vessel vasculitis associated with syphilis infection**

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- **Abstract**

Cutaneous vasculitis (CV) is a condition with cutaneous manifestations and possible systemic involvement. The causative factors or associated diseases are usually drugs, infection, collagen vascular disease, or malignancy. Syphilis as a cause of cutaneous vasculitis is rare. We report a case of cutaneous vasculitis leading to a huge debilitating leg ulcer in which the underlying cause is syphilitic infection. We believe that in apparently idiopathic CV, a screening examination should be done to detect any underlying infection such as syphilis. It is important to have a quick and accurate diagnosis, because the lesions are very contagious, but rapidly and completely cured by early administration of antibiotic treatment.