Autoimmune Hemolytic Anemia and Cutaneous T Cell Lymphoma: Review of the Literature

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We read with great interest the case reported by Evers et al. [1] as we have recently reported a 47-year-old white woman with the diagnosis of cutaneous T cell lymphoma (T4, N3, M0, B0), who suffered a hemolytic crisis (hemoglobin 3.5 g/dl) due to a wide-specificity IgG autoantibody of suspected anti-D specificity [2]. We thoroughly reviewed the literature, and although Padavic-Knox et al. [3] stated that there were two previous reports of autoimmune hemolytic anemia and cutaneous T cell lymphoma, referring to White et al. [4] and Lawrence et al. [5], they did not realize he was the same patient. Apparently, Evers et al. [1] were unaware of this fact as well. For this reason, the case reported by us [1] constitutes the third case of autoimmune hemolytic anemia in a patient with cutaneous T cell lymphoma.

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