

Special Issue

Ethnic Differences in Dermatitis and Atopic Eczema and Its Management

Message from the Guest Editors

Atopic eczema and dermatitis affect diverse ethnic groups with substantial ethnic disparities in the prevalence, treatment, progression and outcomes of AD conditions. Elucidating the mechanisms underlying these group differences is of crucial importance in reducing and eliminating disparities in treatment of atopic eczema. In recent years accumulating evidence has identified a variety of immune factors and genetic polymorphism that influence the susceptibility to AD and response to treatment. We now understand that in Black and Asian individuals AD is more frequent and could be more severe. Few studies have been conducted in Hispanic skin. Unfortunately, most of the studies are conducted in individuals of European ancestry. In this special edition we review differences in epidemiology, clinical phenotype and treatment of AD in multiple ethnic groups and races. We highlight the mechanisms behind these differences including cellular, molecular, immunological, physiological therapeutic and sociocultural mechanisms explaining the disparities in AD. We look forward to your submissions!

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