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Facial Plasmacytomas in Refractory Multiple Myeloma

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Figure 1: Refractory multiple myeloma.

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Cutaneous plasmacytomas are clinically erythematous-violaceous cutaneous or subcutaneous plaques and/or nodules, with a smooth-surface, hard consistency, solitary or multiple. They are rare with less than 100 reported cases and can involve any area of the skin. We present a 64-year-old woman with a refractory IgG-Lambda multiple myeloma diagnosed one year before with renal, bone and central nervous system involvement. She developed rapidly erythematous-violaceous facial exophytic tumor lesions with necrotic areas at orbits, left malar and submental region with diagnosis of facial plasmacytomas. These lesions are often a reflection of high systemic tumor burden in the late stages of disease and are a poor prognosticator with most patients dying within 12 months (Figure 1).

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