Solcoderm

Malignant melanoma: case report

A 40-year-old woman developed a 5-mm deep melanoma from a lesion on her chest which had been treated with solcoderm [dosage and duration not given] 10 years earlier, to remove apparently benign nevi.

The melanoma, which was excised, arose from the depressed scar that the solcoderm treatment had left. The patient had also an enlarged supraclavicular lymph node at the site of the excised melanoma.

Author comment: This report differs from 3 recently documented cases of melanoma which evolved from lesions within several months after treatment with solcoderm. 'Solcoderm is absolutely contraindicated for pigmented lesions.'

Brenner S, et al. Risk of melanoma after treatment of pigmented lesions with solcoderm. Dermatology 187: 164-165, No. 3, 1993 - Israel 80022272'