

P5. MEDICAL TATTOO: SOME EXAMPLES

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Aim: The purpose of this poster is to review the data available on medical tattoo and to show some examples of medical tattoo performed in France.

Methods: Review of the scientific and informal literature on the subject (MeshTerms: Burn, Tattoo, Dermography, Dermopigmentation).

Results: In recent years, tattoo became commonplace and number of tattooed individuals has increased significantly. Alongside these changes some patients become tattoo seekers on pathological skin. This practice is still marginal and unstructured.

Several studies show that damaged-skin camouflage is increasing quality of life for patients complaining about their physical aspect. However sometimes surgery is refused by patients. So it is important to propose other possibilities.

We present some tattoo performed on pathological skin.

Conclusions: Medical tattoo can be used in some skin pathology. Advantages as inconveniences has to be known by patients.

References: This work includes 37 bibliographical references.