Common Conditions in Persons With Skin of Color

Match the diagnosis to the photo by letter

a. Pseudofolliculitis  
b. Keloids  
c. Dermatosis papulosa nigra  
d. Acne keloidalis nuchae

1. This patient is concerned about the numerous long-standing “moles” on her face. Only occasionally pruritic, they are otherwise asymptomatic. Nevertheless, the patient wants them investigated and removed.

2. A 17-year-old African-American boy likes to keep his face clean-shaven, but his skin becomes irritated every time he shaves. He states that his father also has this problem, but doesn’t have a solution.

3. A 15-year-old African-American boy presents with a two-month history of hair loss and pruritic papules on the back of his head that developed after a barber shaved the area. There are two dozen 1- to 2-mm papules on his posterior neck and occipital scalp, with areas of focal crusting. The patient had a similar episode a year ago after shaving the same area, but those papules cleared after one month of applying rubbing alcohol.

4. Several years after a motorcycle accident and resulting road rash, this 23-year-old Hispanic woman is left with complex scars. She experiences pruritus, pain, and hypersensitivity and is seeking relief.

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