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# Pityriasis Lichenoides et Varioliformis Acuta

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A rare skin disorder of unknown etiology that is considered to be a more severe form of pityriasis lichenoides. It is characterized by itchy, burning papular lesions which form open sores with red-brown crusts. Low grade fever, headache, malaise, and arthralgias may occasionally precede or accompany the skin findings.