

# Review of: "Skin related health issues among health care workers due to utilizing of personal protective equipment during COVID-19 pandemic in Pakistan"

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The paper presents a study of skin related health issues among health care workers due to usage of PPE during COVID 19 acute phase in Pakistan. Many such studies were conducted throughout the world. Interestingly, in the present study only minor symptoms have been reported within a small sample size. Can you please emphasize why more severe dermatological pathologies e.g. psoriasis, eczema, acne, seborrheic dermatitis etc. are not observed in the Pakistani population. Does it correlates with the frequent washing practices e.g. ablution (five times a day) in Pakistani healthcare community as compared to western population where more severe symptoms were observed?

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