

Granulating wound after a holiday in Peru

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CASE REPORT

A 79-year-old man presented to our outpatient clinic because of a painful skin lesion on his right forearm. Four months after returning from a one-month trip in Peru he noticed a small crusted lesion on his forearm, which gradually increased into a painful ulcerative, granulating wound. On physical examination he did not appear ill. Body temperature was normal. A large, round, erythematous granulating ulcerative lesion of approximately 3 x 3 cm with raised edges was seen just proximal of his right wrist (*figure 1*). There was a nodular lymphangitis extending from the wound to the insertion of the deltoid muscle. Cubital and axillary lymphadenopathy were present. Laboratory analysis, including leucocyte count and C-reactive protein level, was unremarkable.

WHAT IS YOUR DIAGNOSIS?

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Figure 1. Picture of the right forearm of the patient showing a typical volcano-shaped wet, ulcerating lesion with thickened edges of approximately 3 x 3 cm

