**LOCAL UPDATES**

**Further possible clinical associations with COVID-19.** There is a growing clinical suspicion of specific Cutaneous and Ocular presentations during the current pandemic.

Increasing reports are being collated from both North and South Derbyshire.

Supported by speciality professional bodies, there appear to be more cases of vasculitic and urticarial type rashes emerging in patients without any pre-existing skin or viral disease. The British Association of Dermatology is keen to be informed of similar presentations via their [Survey](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/C-19-Dermatology), with more information from [Dermnet](https://dermnetnz.org/topics/covid-19/) and a published BJD article also available.

The possible Ocular associations appear to be more subtle in nature, including visual field defects in otherwise young and healthy patients. Changes in the retinal circulation have been identified, with two local Case examples and a published [Lancet article](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)31014-X/fulltext) for reference.

The newly commissioned Tele-Dermatology and CUES Optometry services can offer help.

With greater GP awareness and more skin and eye cases being identified, this will hopefully feed into a growing evidence base, aiding understanding further. If appropriate, this may then support further guidance from Gov.UK and perhaps more COVID-19 testing indicators.

**HYPERLINKS**

Survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/C-19-Dermatology>

Dermnet: <https://dermnetnz.org/topics/covid-19/>

BJD article: doi:10.1111/BJD.19163 (.pdf held on DDLMC website)

Case examples: (.pdf held on DDLMC website)

Lancet article: <https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)31014-X/fulltext>