

Pityriasis Versicolor (Tinea Versicolor)

■ Etiology : Common superficial cutaneous fungal infection caused by *Malassezia furfur* (*Pityrosporum orbiculare*), The organism is part of normal skin

■ History : May itch but usually asymptomatic, young adults typically affected (years of higher sebaceous activity) ; commonly recurs (40-60%) ; more common in hot and humid environments.

■ Cushing disease, pregnancy, malnutrition, corticosteroid therapy, immunosuppression, oral contraceptives may lower resistance, allowing this normally non-pathogenic resident yeast to proliferate

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