

## ■ Management

- Steroid-sparing topical immunomodulators can be used bid in children > 2 yr: Pimecrolimus cream – mild to moderate eczema. Tacrolimus – moderate to severe eczema.
  - Oral antihistamines with sedative effect may offer symptomatic relief of the associated pruritus, e.g., hydroxyzine (3-5 mg/kg/d divided tid/qid)
  - If secondarily infected: antibiotic therapy
  - If patients refractory to conventional therapy, other systemic Tx choices include: PUVA or UVB light therapy, systemic steroids (short courses), methotrexate, cyclosporine: usually administered by dermatologist
- [OCR from images: ]