Acanthoma Fissuratum (Spectacle Granuloma)

Flesh-colored or erythematous, focal thickening of the skin of the retroauricular fold or nasal sidewall that results from frictional trauma induced by eyeglasses

Differential Diagnosis

- Actinic keratosis
- Adnexal neoplasm
- Basal cell carcinoma
- Chondrodermatitis nodularis helicis
- Foreign body reaction
- Keloid/hypertrophic scar
- Melanocytic nevus
- Seborrheic dermatitis
- Squamous cell carcinoma

Further reading:


Acanthosis Nigricans

Acquired skin disease associated with a variety of internal diseases that is characterized by velvety, papillomatous hyperpigmented plaques usu-
ally localized to the intertriginous areas, especially the neck, but also in a periorificial distribution in patients with an underlying malignancy

**Subtypes / Variants**

- Acral
- Drug induced
- Facial (Fig. 6.1)
- Familial
- Insulin-resistance related
- Malignancy related
- Nevoid
- Oral
- Syndromic

**Differential Diagnosis**

**Cutaneous**

- Acanthosis nigricans-like lesions associated with pemphigus
- Addison’s disease
- Atopic dermatitis (dirty neck)
- Becker’s nevus
- Berloque dermatitis
- Chronic phototoxicity
- Confluent and reticulated papillomatosis
- Dermatosis neglecta
- Diabetic finger pebbles
- Dowling–Degos disease
- Florid cutaneous papillomatosis
- Granular parakeratosis
- Haber syndrome
- Hemochromatosis
- Ichthyosis hystrix
- Intertrigo
- Kitamura’s acropigmentation