

**Abstract:**

Dermatomyositis is a multisystem disorder which exhibits proximal skeletal muscle weakness and muscle inflammation with characteristic skin changes. Muscle weakness not only restricts to limb girdle but also can involve oropharyngeal, upper oesophageal, chest wall and diaphragm. Apart from treating the muscle inflammation we should also vigilantly screen for underlying malignancy. Here, we present a 55 year old patient came with skin rash and periorbital oedema followed by shortness of breath and proximal myopathy.