

located over hard palate and buccal mucosa, common in females and in old age), and resolving oral lichen planus (usually associated with cutaneous lesions of lichen planus). Management of PJS includes removal of the technically feasible gastrointestinal polyps, laser treatment for the lentigens, and regular surveillance for malignancies.

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## Cutaneous Larva Migrans



**FIG. 1** (a) Raised and serpentine lesions of cutaneous larva migrans, (b) Post-treatment picture showing healing and excoriations secondary to scratching.

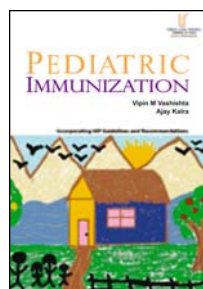
An 8-year-old boy from Agatti Island in Lakshadweep, India presented with history of intensely pruritic skin lesions on the posterior aspect of the leg for last 2 days. There were no systemic symptoms. Clinical examination revealed an erythematous, serpentine lesion at the posterior aspect of leg with vesicles at the edge of the lesion (**Fig. 1a**). The boy used to play football on the beach barefoot everyday. He had similar lesions on the same leg a few months earlier, which were treated with topical antifungal cream. A diagnosis of cutaneous larva migrans was made and he was started on oral albendazole at 400 mg once daily for 5 days. Lesions healed rapidly leaving patchy excoriation of the skin secondary to scratching (**Fig. 1b**).

Cutaneous larva migrans is diagnosed by classical serpentine skin lesions in a tropical setting. The differential diagnoses include scabies (generalized, burrows in interdigital spaces) cutaneous bacterial and fungal infections, and contact dermatitis.

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## BOOK REVIEW



**Pediatric Immunization**  
**VM VASHISHTA, A KALRA**  
*Kothari Medical Subscription  
Services Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai.*  
*Pages: 205; Price: 395/-*

This book deals with a vitally important, and at times controversial, topic of Pediatric Immunization. The book has dealt with all topics pertaining to immunization, from basic sciences to newer vaccines in the pipeline and vaccination in special situations. Authors have incorporated some features that make this book stand out from the crowd. First, the authors have targeted the medical community as well as the paramedical workers and parents and, therefore, have

deliberately kept the language simple and easy to understand. The book also deals with practical considerations that make this book useful particularly to a pediatric practitioner (e.g., handling a child during vaccination, maintaining vaccination records, the issue of suboptimal time periods between vaccines, interchangeability of brands etc.). Lastly, almost every section offers guide to various resources available on the net, pertinent to that topic, for detailed study. All chapters are brief, clear and to-the-point. I recommend this book to all postgraduate students, general practitioners and pediatricians to supplement their knowledge and gain more clarity on this important topic.

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