



*Pellagra*

The word "pellagra" is derived from two Italian words, "pelle," meaning "skin," and "agra," meaning

malnutrition appear integral to the development of the pellagra symptom complex. Presenting as cutane



Three basic skin eruptions occur in pellagrins . The first is a photo-induced eruption that is intensely eryt

*Histopathology*

. Psoriasiform epidermal hyperplasia with hyperkeratosis, parakeratosis, and a lymphocytic infiltrate in the dermis.







*Pathogenesis* .

A deficiency in urocanic acid caused by a reduction in h

postulated as a possible mechanism of photosensitivity in pellagra; urocanic acid protects the skin from

*Differential Diagnosis.* The histopathology is similar to that of the nutritional dermatoses acrodermatitis























