

The Use of Dermoscopy in Daily Paediatric Practice

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Dermoscopy is a simple handheld medical device with an established role in the examination of skin lesions. It is a standard clinical examination technique to differentiate malignant from benign skin lesions. In children, it has been found to be very useful in diagnosing common paediatric skin lesions including various birthmarks, nevus, wart, molluscum contagiosum, alopecia, etc. It has many advantages as a bedside clinical examination tool and the reduction of the need for skin biopsy being particularly helpful. Routine use of dermoscopy in managing paediatric skin problems is now recommended.

In this lecture, the current clinical use of dermoscopy in daily paediatric practice will be discussed.