

Table S1. Differential diagnoses

	Clinical Presentation	Extra-cutaneous Sites	Histology	IHC	Genetic Profile	Outcome
				CD3+ CD2+ CD5+ CD7- CD4+ (more often) CD8- (more often) TCR beta+ TCR gamma- (more often) CLA+ CD30+/-	TCR+	Slow progression over many years; outcome depends on clinical stage
		Lymph nodes and other extra-cutaneous sites involved. Cutaneous cHL occurs in advanced disease	Large-sized cells with Hodgkin and RSC morphology within inflammatory background	CD30+ CD15+/- MUM1+ PAX5+ weak CD20- or variably + CD79alpha- or variably+ LCA- T-cell antigens may be aberrantly + EBER+/-	IGH+ TCR-	Poor
	Usually skin-limited disease; often solitary ulcerated tumor	Rare (10% of cases in regional lymph nodes)	Cohesive sheets of cells with anaplastic, pleomorphic or immunoblastic features; sometimes inflammatory background (pyogenic variant); epidermotropism often in DUSP22-IRF4+	CD4+; CD4-CD8+; CD4+CD8+: or null; perforin+ TIA1+ Granz. B+ CD30+ CD15+ (40%) MUM1+ EMA- ALK- PAX5- EBER-	TCR+ DUSP22-IRF4+ (25%)	Favorable
LyP	Skin-limited disease; multiple necrotic papules and nodules	absent	Different histological patterns: Type A: sparse atypical large CD30+ cells within inflammatory elements; Type B: epidermotropic	CD4+ cells in types A and C; CD8+ cells in types D and E; CD8+ or CD4-CD8- in DUSP22-IRF4	TCR+ in most cases; rare cases DUSP22-IRF4 rearranged	Excellent; usually a recurrent, self-healing disease; increased risk of developing lymphomas

			infiltrate of CD30+ translocated or CD30- small cells cases simulating MF; Type C: Sheets of large CD30+ cells with scarce inflammation simulating C-ALCL; Type D: epidermotropic infiltrate of small to medium CD8+ CD30+ cells; Type E: angiocentric pattern of small or medium CD8+ CD30+ cells			
EBVMCU	Circumscribed, No often solitary ulcer in the setting of IS (age-related or iatrogenic)	(EBVMCU may develop even in oropharynx and GIT)	Polymorphic pattern with sparse atypical large cells with RSC features (simulating cHL); or monomorphic pattern with sheets of cells simulating DLBCL	CD30+ PAX5+ CD20 variably+ CD79a+ OCT2+ BOB1 variably+ MUM1+ CD15+(50%) CD10- BCL6- EBER+	IG clonality (50%) TCR oligoclonal	Favorable with regression upon reduction or removal of IS cause
Primary cutaneous CD8+ aggressive epid. cytotoxic T- cell lymphoma	Generalized skin lesions (ulcerated plaques or tumors)	Visceral sites (lungs, testes, CNS, oral mucosa), lymph nodes rarely affected	Marked pagetoid epidermotropic growth; cells of variable size; angiocentricity and angioinvasion common	CD3+ CD8+ CD4- beta F1+ Granz.B+ perforin+ TIA1+ CD7+/- CD5- CD2- CD30- often EBER-	TCR+	Poor
PCGD-TCL	Generalized skin lesions (patches, plaques, tumors, often in the extremities)	Extranodal sites often; rare in lymph nodes, spleen and BM	Three major patterns: lymph-epidermotropic -dermal -subcutaneous (often more than one pattern is present); cells of variable size	TCR-gamma+ Beta F1- CD3+ CD2+ CD4- CD8- (rarely CD8+) CD5- CD7+/- CD56+ Granz.+ TIA1+ perforin+ EBER-	TCR gamma+ TCR delta+ TCR beta-	Poor

Primary cutaneous acral CD8+ T-cell lymphoma	Isolated reddish papule or nodule; ear (most frequent); nose, foot	No	Dense, monotonous dermal and hypodermal infiltrate of medium sized cells; epidermis spared	CD3+ CD8+ TIA1+ beta F1+ TIA1+ (dot staining) CD4-; CD2+ CD5+ CD7+ (more often); Granz.B- and perforin- (often); CD56- CD57- TdT- CD30- CD10- BCL6- PD1- CXCL13- Ki67 low EBER-	TCR gamma+	Good; remission of surgery or radiotherapy; no need of CT
Primary cutaneous CD4+ small/medium T-cell LPD	Slow- growing solitary plaque or nodule; face, neck or upper trunk often No patches	No	Dense nodular dermal and hypodermal infiltrate with absent or focal epidermotropism; prevalence of small/medium cells; large cells <30%	CD3+ CD4+ PD1+ BCL6+/- CXCL13+ CD10- CD8- CD30- CD7- loss of T-cell antigen rare; TIA1- Granz-B- perforin- Ki67 low	TCR+	Excellent; intralesional steroid, surgery or radiotherapy

Legends: BM: bone marrow; C-ALCL: cutaneous anaplastic large cell lymphoma; CT: chemotherapy; DLBCL: diffuse large B-cell lymphoma; EBVMCU: EBV-positive mucocutaneous ulcer; epid: epidermotropic; Granz: granzyme B; IHC: immunohistochemistry; IS: immunosuppression; LPD: lymphoproliferative disorder; LyP: lymphomatoid papulosis; MF: mycosis fungoides; PCGD-TCL: primary cutaneous gamma delta T-cell lymphoma; RSC: Reed-Sternberg cell