

## GUEST EDITORIAL COMMENT:

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**T**he current edition of the Nigerian Journal of Dermatology (NJD) has presented a wide range of topics, from common everyday challenges like acne vulgaris to relatively rare entities like Hidradenitis suppurativa (HS).

Acneiform eruptions will remain a global problem and a recurring malady. The incidence and pattern may vary from one geographical location to another. Information from an area may thus help dermatologists and Family physicians who are likely to see such cases to be better informed about the peculiarities in presentation. In this edition "Prevalence and Risk Factors of Acne Vulgaris among Secondary School Students in Eboyin State" is presented. Eboyin State is one of the 36 States in Nigeria.

Karl Marx, the founder of communism, suffered from hidradenitis suppurativa. This skin disorder left him with a feeling of "self-loathing" and alienation, according to an article in the British Journal of Dermatology (1) The prevalence of HS in Lagos was 2.2% in a study validating a Screening Questionnaire (2). In this edition, there is a further look at the disease, with a focus on "Clinical Profile of Hidradenitis Suppurativa in Nigerians."

The paediatric age group has not been omitted or forgotten. The number of Paediatric dermatologists has increased from none fifteen years ago to over twenty-five presently (3). "Vitiligo in Paediatric Patients with dark skin types" is one of the articles in the current edition. The world has moved from dependence on hard copies to soft copies and shifted almost wholly to the internet,... to Social media!!!

TikTok is a popular platform (4,5) for skincare and cosmetic companies to promote their products, sometimes with the involvement of dermatologists

or influencers. Many influencers, including those without medical expertise, create skincare content, potentially blurring the lines between education and promotion. In this edition, a paper is being published that shines light on this aspect of dermatology titled *"From TikTok to clinic; Understanding and responding to TikTok beauty trends in Dermatology"*.

In this edition, one is exposed to a menu of rare and common, clinical and laboratory-skewed publications, and from the traditional/standard format of sharing information to the World of Social media.

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