

ACHILLES TENDONOPATHY AS A RARE ADVERSE EFFECT OF ORAL ISOTRETINOIN TREATMENT: TWO CASES

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ABSTRACT

Our aim is to report two cases of Achilles tendonopathy during oral isotretinoin therapy for acne vulgaris. Oral isotretinoin has been in use for more than three decades and a variety of adverse effects are ascribed to it; skin and mucus membranes being commonly involved. It's teratogenicity is well known. Achilles tendonopathy as an adverse effect of isotretinoin is very rarely reported. Here we discuss two patients who developed Achilles tendonopathy following administration of isotretinoin for acne.

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