

**Consent Form**

**For patients' consent to publication of material about them in the *British Journal of Dermatology***

Type and subject of material (please state intended use)  
Photograph(s) (Clinical image(s)? Histological slide(s)?)

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Case notes (Single case report? Part of a series?)

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Other identifiable patient data (To be included in clinical trial report?)

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Other patient data (Specify)

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I give my consent for this material to appear in the *British Journal of Dermatology*. I have seen any photographic material to be published.

I understand the following:

- The material will be published without my name attached. Every effort will be made to ensure I cannot be identified, but my complete anonymity cannot be guaranteed.
- The material may be published in the monthly printed edition of the *British Journal of Dermatology*. Its subscribers and readers are not all dermatologists.
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- The material may also be used in overseas editions of the *British Journal of Dermatology*, which are currently published in Portugal, Italy and India.
- Photographic material may be used on the cover of the journal. The material will not be used out of context, e.g. for advertising or packaging other products.

I also give consent for the material to be used in other publications (including books, journals, CD-ROMs and online and Internet publications) that may approach the *British Journal of Dermatology* so long as the material is not used out of context. For example, photographs will not be used in advertising or packaging other products.

Name of patient: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:

Name of doctor: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:

**Useful links**

GMC site, for the in-depth view from a UK perspective.

<http://www.gmc-uk.org/>

International Committee of Medical Journal Editors site, for a concise explanation of the issues re. privacy and patient consent.

<http://www.icmje.org/>.

The Caldicott report, for discussion of identifiable data and a good sample 'keep your patients informed' leaflet. <http://www.doh.gov.uk/nhsexipu/confiden/report/app10.htm>

The COPE report (1998), for the issues in some detail, and related correspondence, mostly to do with informed consent in context of clinical trials.

<http://www.bmj.com/misc/cope/>