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Abstract

**Occupational Allergic Contact Dermatitis Like Erythema
Multiforme Induced by Bolivian Rosewood**

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Background: Woods are capable of causing allergic or irritant contact dermatitis which typically occurs on exposed areas. Because Bolivian rosewood exclusively contains the strong sensitizer R-3,4-dimethoxydalbergione, an increasing number of cases of irritant and allergic contact dermatitis has been reported.

Case report: A 49-year-old, male, wood worker, who handled a variety of woods, developed allergic contact dermatitis. A patch test confirmed a positive reaction to one of the exotic woods, Bolivian rosewood. Allergens found in Bolivian rosewood caused this patient's dermatitis, which cleared when he avoided this wood.

Conclusion: Exotic woods such as Bolivian rosewood can induce occupational contact dermatitis. Measures to lower the incidence of work-related dermatitis are needed in the workplace. Especially, when cutting or sanding woods, workers should wear proper personal protection.

Key Words: Allergic contact dermatitis, Occupational, *Machaerium Scleroxylon*, Rosewood, Wood worker

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30% 가
(Adams, 1997;
Cohen, 1998).

90% , 80%가 (, 1984).
(irritant dermatitis) ,
20% (allergic contact
dermatitis) (Cohen, 1998).

75 ~ 90% (wood) (Bolivian rose-
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, 2001).

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(HSE, 1997).
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(papules) (plaques)
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 (2) (scratch test):
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 (3) (patch test): 가



Fig. 1. The multiple erythematous skin lesions on neck, chest and abdomen.

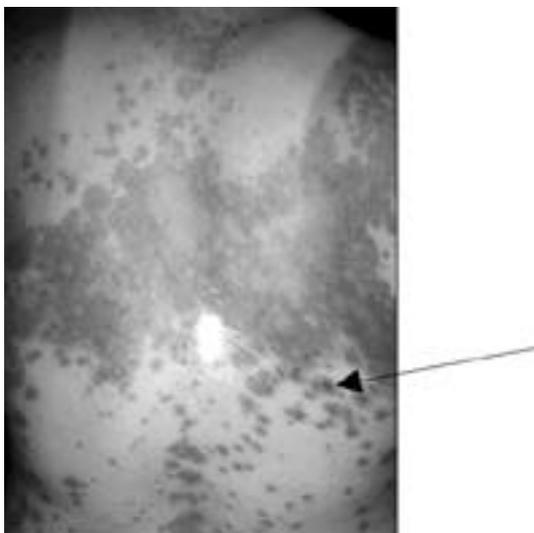


Fig. 2. The multiple erythematous skin lesions on back. (The arrow indicates 'target lesion')

4가 Bolivian rosewood, Indian rosewood, Indonesian rosewood, Maple 4가 가 petrolatum 100:1 (Finn Chamber on Scanpor tape) 48 , 96

Morado, Moradillo, Santos Palisander 가 (HSE, 1997).

(International Contact Dermatitis Research Group) 4가 48 , 96 (Table 1, Fig. 3, 4).

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(Organic dust toxic syndrome), (Maciejewska et al., 1993), R-3,4-dimethoxydalber

Scleroxylon Machaerium 가



Fig. 3. The patch test with Bolivian rosewood was positive(+) at day 2.

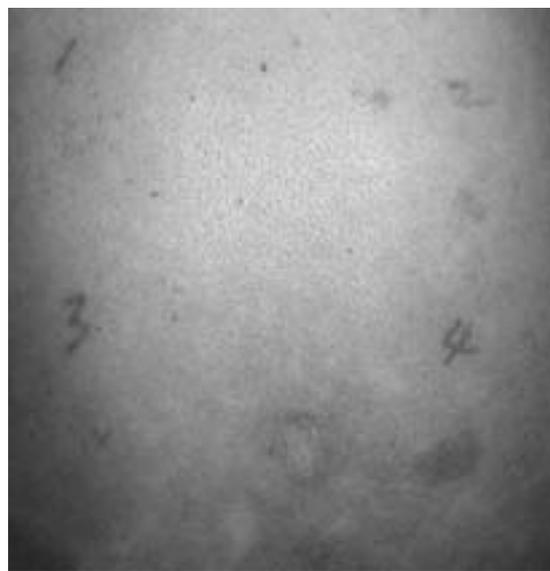


Fig. 4. The patch test with Bolivian rosewood was positive(+) at day 4.

Table 1. Patch test results

Allergen	48hr	96hr
Bolivian rosewood	positive	positive
Indian rosewood	negative	negative
Indonesian rosewood	negative	negative
Maple	negative	negative

(Chierigato et al, 1993; Correale et al, 2002; HSE, 1997; Rackett et al, 1997; Shimizu et al, 2000).

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(Watsky, 1997; Hausen, 1986),

Machaerium Scleroxylon

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(Mathias, 1986).

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