Mpox lesions differential diagnosis



Primary syphilis lesion Credit: CDC/Dr NJ Fiumara



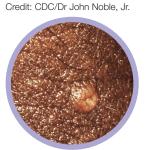
Secondary syphilis rash Credit: WHO Photo library



Varicella (chicken pox)



Credit: CDC/Dr John Noble, Jr.



Varicella (chicken pox)

Molluscum contagiosum Credit: CDC/Jim Pledger



Molluscum contagiosum



Herpes simplex Credit: CDC/ Dr Thomas F Sellers, **Emory University**



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Rash in measles Credit: WHO library

The following diseases have similar lesions to mpox.

Syphilis

Primary: non painful solitary lesion in genitals. Secondary: non painful generalized skin and mucocutaneous lesions.

Varicella

The lesions go through several stages, turning into fluid-filled blisters before forming a scab and falling off. They will appear quickly and at different stages and different times.

Molluscum contagiosum

No prodromal symptoms and takes on a more chronic time course, with most infections selfresolving in 6 to 12 months.

Herpes simplex

There are normally multiple previous oral or genital herpes attacks. They progress from vesicles to erosions and ulcerations, while mpox lesions progress to firm pseudopustules.

Measles

- Koplik's lesions in mouth.
- Red eyes.
- Start on forehead with red blotchy rash.

