ABSTRACT
The Robinson variant of eccrine hidrocystomas involves several facial lesions and is relatively uncommon. These lesions are benign, and treatment for them is difficult and often not satisfactory. We report a case of this rare entity involving the nose and upper cutaneous lip of a 75 year old female.

BACKGROUND
Eccrine hidrocystomas are divided into two groups – the more common, solitary type known as the Smith variant and the rare type involving several lesions on the face known as the Robinson variant. These cystic lesions are benign and of sweat gland origin. They also tend to affect women more frequently than men. Associations with increased sweating and high temperatures are often reported. To date, there has not been a designated consistently efficacious therapy; although anecdotal improvement has been found with such treatments as excision, dermabrasion, electrocutery, botulinum toxin, topical and oral anticholinergic agents, and pulsed-dye laser.

CASE HISTORY
A 75 year old female presented to the clinic with concerns regarding new eruption of several translucent-to-slightly blue papules of the nose and upper cutaneous lip, present for several months. The lesions were asymptomatic. She denied personal or family history of prior similar lesions. She also denied any recent change in medication or activity that may have correlated with lesion onset.

CLINICAL IMAGES

PATHOLOGY
- Eccrine hidrocystomas appear histologically as cysts with thin-walls comprised of 2 layers of cuboidal epithelial cells in the mid- and reticular dermis

REFERENCES