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ABSTRACTS. Psoriasis is a systemic inflammatory disease that affects immunologically mediated skin, nails and joints in the 2 to 3 % of world population. It was formerly considered a disease limited to the skin with few implications for the overall health of the suffering patient, but through epidemiological studies have shown that patients with psoriasis have an increased incidence of developing other chronic inflammatory conditions as rheumatoid arthritis and inflammatory bowel disease, and other conditions such as obesity, type 2 diabetes mellitus, cardiovascular disease and stroke; not to mention the link between psoriasis to psychological disorders that lead to high rates of depression and anxiety. As the focus of psoriasis as a disease limited only to the skin has been replaced by a systemic disease that must be treated with drugs in addition to controlling their skin lesions, are able to prevent the development of diseases associated with morbidity and mortality that these represent.

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