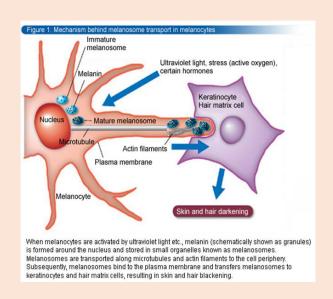


What manages our colour ??

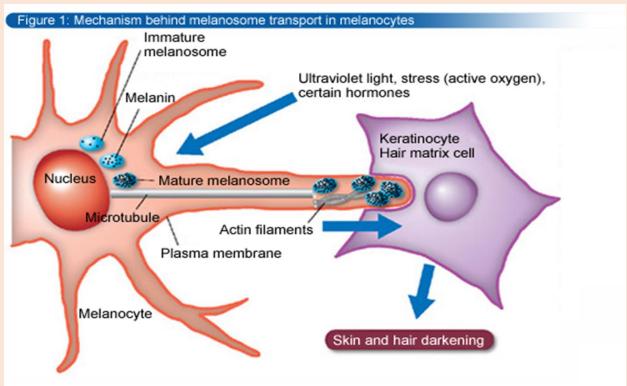
Constitutional skin colour



UV radiation

•Hormones - MSH

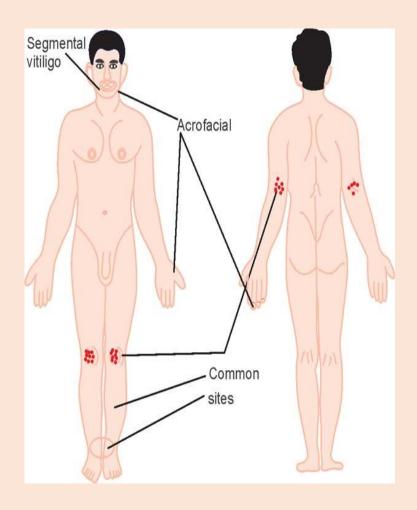
Melanocyte in the skin cells is the key cell managing production, distribution , excess or lack of pigmentation



When melanocytes are activated by ultraviolet light etc., melanin (schematically shown as granules) is formed around the nucleus and stored in small organelles known as melanosomes. Melanosomes are transported along microtubules and actin filaments to the cell periphery. Subsequently, melanosomes bind to the plasma membrane and transfers melanosomes to keratinocytes and hair matrix cells, resulting in skin and hair blackening.

...VITILIGO...

Vitiligo is an acquired, pigmentary anomaly of the skin characterised by depigmented white patches surrounded by a normal or a hyperpigmented border



SITES

- Any part can be affected
- Predilection to areas with repeated friction and trauma
- Dorsal aspect of hands and feets, elbows, knees

PATTERNS

Vitiligo vulgaris

Segmental vitiligo

Generalised vitiligo

TREATMENT

DEPENDS ON

- Age of patient
- Extent of disease
- Pattern of disease
- Cosmetic disability
- Effect on quality of life

TREAT WHITE SPOTS DEPENDS ON SITE, AGE, EXTENT

NONINVASIVE

- APPLY PSORALIN LOTIONS
- ORAL PSORALENS
- •EXPO TO U V L A & NB UVB
- •APPLY / INJECT STEROIDS
- APPLY TACROLIMUS

INVASIVE

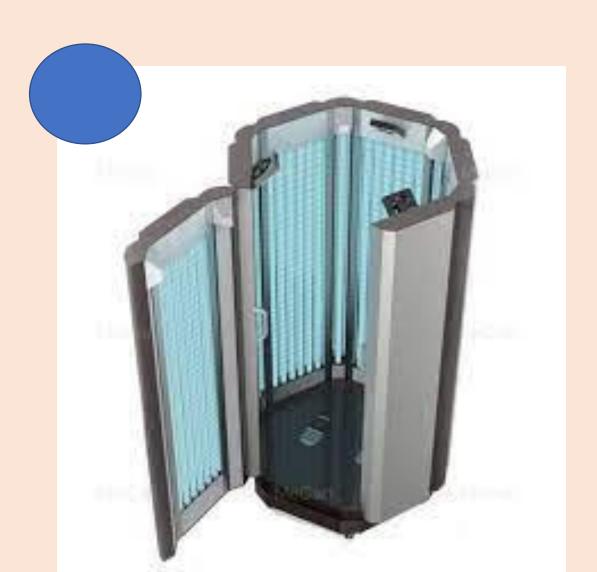
- TATTOO
- SPLIT SKIN GRAFT
- PUNCH GRAFT
- BLISTER GRAFT
- MELANOCYTE CULTUREAND TRANSFER

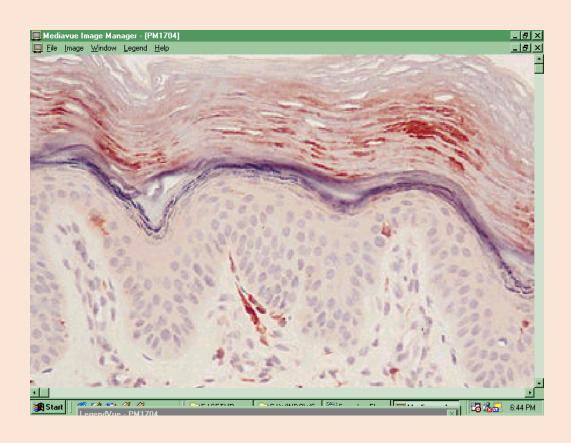
Physical modality

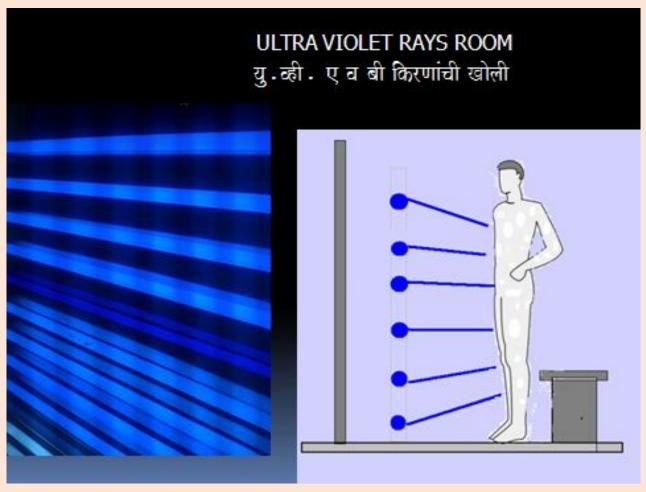
- 1.Photochemotherapy
 Psoralens + UVA exposure –
 PUVA
- Mainstay of vitiligo therapy
- Psoralens –8methoxypsoralen topical/systemic
- UVA- in special chambers containing UVA emitting tubes
- PUVA sol psoralen + sunlight

Phototherapy – narrow band UVB (311nm)

Gradually increasing doses of UVB, given from specialized chambers.

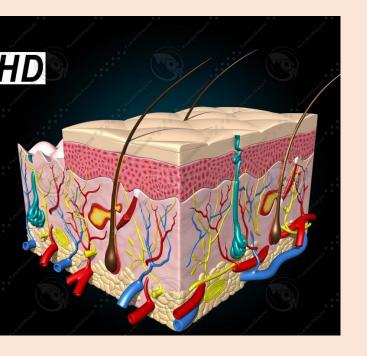








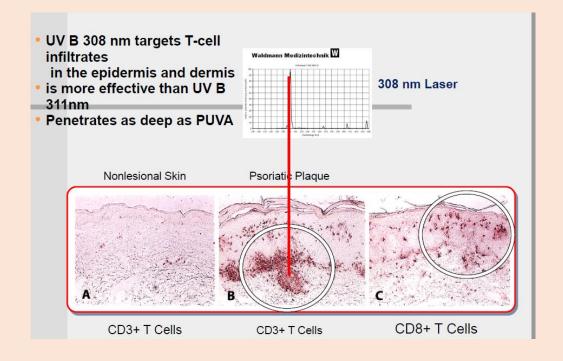




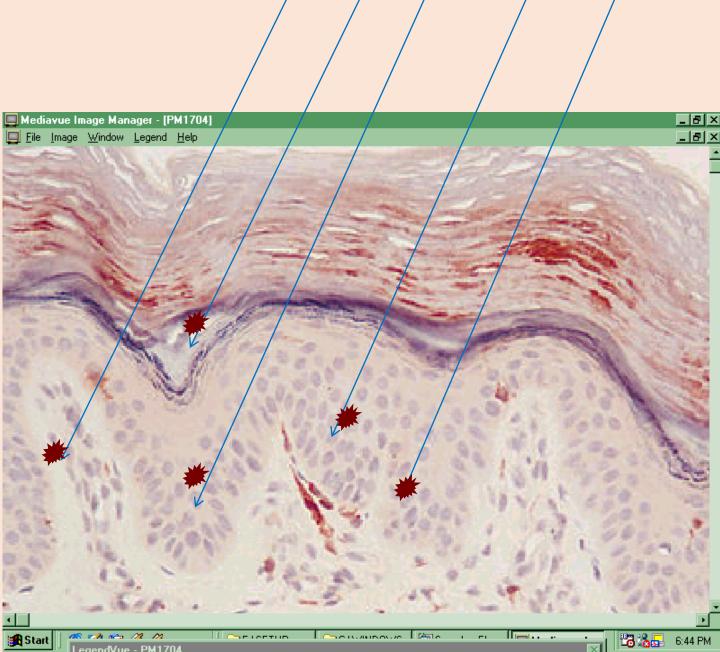
How Photo therapy works



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MELANOCYTES ABSORB UV LIGHT TO MAKE NEW MELANIN



Excimer Laser

308 nm Excimer laser is useful for localized patches of leukoderma. It is safe and fast method for vitiligo and is done twice/thrice weekly.







EXCIMER 308 ON VITILIGO





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Topical steroids

- Single lesions esp new
- adjuvant

Systemic steroids

- Patient can't be given physical modalities
- Rapidly progressive vitiligo with PUVA
- Vitiligo unresponsive to psoralens

SURGICAL TREATMENT

 Indications- sites poorly responsive to conventional therapy
 Patient with stable disease

MELANOCYTE TRANSFER BLISTER GRAFTING

PUNCH GRAFTING SPLIT THICKNESS SKIN GRAFTING



STEPWISE PROGRESS









Benefits of aggressive therapy





Benefits of aggressive therapy







THE END