

# Overview of Atopic Dermatitis

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Atopic dermatitis is a common inflammatory disease that appears to have increased in prevalence over the past few decades. The prevalence of atopic dermatitis in Taiwan is estimated to be approximately 6.7% based on the National Health Insurance database for 2000-2007. More specifically, the prevalence ranged from 1.7% to 3.35% in 2002, but has roughly doubled since then. Atopic dermatitis is not only an annoying skin disease among children and teenagers, there are more and more adults suffering from such dermatitis. Today's speech will be an overview of atopic dermatitis and discuss its pathogenesis and treatment.