A 12 year old boy presented with two weeks history of lower abdominal pain, blood stained diarrhoea and arthralgia. On examination he had palpable non-pruritic rash on lower extremities including the buttocks. His temperature was 98.4°F and blood pressure 120/80 mmHg. Urinalysis was normal and platelet count 250x10⁹/l. He was diagnosed as Henoch-Schönlein purpura and started on prednisone 1 mg/kg body weight. He responded to this treatment.

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HENOCHE-SCHÖNLEIN PURPURA

Fig. 1: Rash of Henoch-Schönlein purpura on the legs.

Fig. 2: Rash of Henoch-Schönlein purpura on the buttocks.