

# THE ALCOHOL ADDICTION AND SKIN DISEASES

## Summary

Alcohol addiction is connected with development of numerous diseases, among others with illnesses of skin. They are very frequent among the drinking and homeless individuals, and older men exhibiting decreased physical and psychological resistance. The skin diseases may be divided on the local infections caused by bacteria and fungi, and general infections, for example injures, metabolic disorders, dermatoses, frosbites and pellagra. In this

article symptoms of pediculosis, scabies, sarcoptes etc. are analyzed in correlation with the frequency of alcohol addiction. As a model example of counteraction and curing of addicted people can serve diagnostic and therapeutic procedures employed in the Municipal Centre of Prophylaxis and Addiction Medicine (MOPiTU) and it's Department of Addiction Therapy (ZMU) in the town Łódź (about 600 thousand inhabitants).