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Psoriasis has a prevalence between 1% and 3% in the general population (*Farber et al., 1986*).

Psoriasis is a chronic disease of complex hereditary factors and unknown cause (*Mansbridge et al., 1984 and Suarez and Russell, 1990*) and is characterized by accelerated cell renewal, inflammation and incomplete epidermal differentiation (*Mansbridge et al., 1984; Melski et al., 1983 and Weinstein et al., 1985*).

The psychological effects may be profound and may result in considerable stigmatization, social isolation, and discrimination (*Glickman, 1986*).

There is no drug or other modality to alter the course of the disease and induce a permanent remission and there is no safe remedy to control the disease (*Fry, 1988*).

So we will try to introduce cryotherapy in treatment of psoriasis.