

# Baseline patient characteristics may predict psoriasis course

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(HealthDay)—Patient characteristics at onset can help to estimate the

long-term course of psoriasis with good discriminatory power, according to a study published online April 14 in *JAMA Dermatology*.

Axel Svedbom, from the Karolinska Institutet in Stockholm, and colleagues sought to describe the clinical course of [psoriasis](#) and identify possible indicators of long-term outcomes among a noninterventional cohort of patients enrolled between 2001 and 2005 and followed for 10 years. The [analysis](#) included 721 patients ( $\geq 15$  years) with recent-onset psoriasis (

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