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Question

Congenital melanocytic nevi management: question

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Case summary

A 12-year-old girl presented to our attention for a pigmented lesion having greatest diameter of 2.5 cm, located on her left forehead, involving the ipsilateral eyebrow. This lesion had appeared as a flat brown macule at birth. With passing years, the lesion showed an increased diameter and thickness and it became progressively darker (**Fig. 1**).









Figure 1. Clinical pictures showing a pigmented lesion located on the face at different ages: **A**) at birth; **B**) 18-month-old; **C**) 4-year-old; **D**) 8-year-old.

Questions

- 1. What reasons can justify the excision of congenital melanocytic nevi?
- 2. Which treatment do you think would be more appropriate?

3. Is there a right age to remove a congenital melanocytic nevus?

Declaration of interest

The Authors declare that there is no conflict of interest.