

Appendix 1: Biopsy of the buccal mucosa of a 72-year-old woman who presented with a painful burning sensation in her mouth. The specimen shows parakeratotic stratified squamous epithelium (blue arrows), the formation of saw-tooth rete ridges (between black arrows) and a dense band-like infiltrate of lymphocytes immediately subjacent to the epithelium (white arrows) with degeneration of the basal cell layer. These features are consistent with oral lichen planus. (Hematoxylin and eosin stain, original magnification $\times 10$).

