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### Highlights

- PG remains a diagnosis of exclusion and one not often seen by surgical specialties outside of Dermatology
- It can mimic many other cutaneous conditions including bacterial infection, vascular occlusive disease and chronic non-healing wounds
- Misdiagnosis often leads to mismanagement and aggressive surgical debridement
- Recognizing the clinical features of PG and its pathogenic nature while ensuring timely management is fundamental to preventing severe destruction and deformity

### ABSTRACT

**INTRODUCTION:** Pyoderma gangrenosum is a chronic neutrophilic dermatosis which can occur following trauma or surgery and can mimic infection. Surgical intervention can lead to progression of disease.

**PRESENTATION OF CASES:** This case series describes 3 cases of post-surgical pyoderma gangrenosum with delayed diagnosis from two large medical centers.

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