

EM Rash = Lyme

Although fewer than 50% of patients with Lyme disease recall any rash, the erythema migrans (EM) or “bull’s-eye” rash is pathognomonic of Lyme disease and requires no further verification (i.e. no further tests) to begin an appropriate course of antibiotic therapy. On darker skin, the EM rash may appear as a bruise.

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