JADWIGA SCHWANN AND HER SYNDROME

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Schwann syndrome, also known as Bart-Pumphery syndrome, is an autosomal dominant genodermatosis characterized clinically by knuckle pads, leukonychia and sensorineural deafness and genetically by mutation in *GJB2* gene encoding a gap junction protein, connexin 26. Because Jadwiga Schwann reported this condition in 1963 in German and Polish languages 4 years earlier than the article reported by Bart and Pumphery in N Engl J Med, this disease should preferentially be called as Schwann syndrome. Jadwiga Schwann was a dermatologist in West Poland, who published many articles for both research and clinical topics in the early stage of Polish dermatology.

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