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| **Clinical criteria** | * Bilateral +/- symmetrical white lesions affecting buccal mucosa, and/or tongue, lips, gingiva. * White papular lesions and lace-like network of slightly raised white lines (reticular, annular or linear pattern) with or without erosions and ulcerations. * +/- desquamative gingivitis. |
| **Histopathological criteria** | * Well-defined band-like predominantly lymphocytic infiltrate confined to the superficial part of the connective tissue. * Signs of vacuolar degeneration of the basal and/or supra basal cell layers with keratinocyte apoptosis. |