This middle aged lady was admitted with a short history fever and feeling unwell. Tests conducted on admission revealed elevated random blood sugar. *Escherichia coli* was isolated from her blood culture. She was later diagnosed with diabetes mellitus and treated for septicaemia. Clinical examination revealed bilateral symmetrical abnormalities of the hands (Panel) and feet. It was later revealed that her siblings and one of her parents also had similar abnormalities.

What is the diagnosis?

**Answer:** refer to page 107

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