Thrombotic Vasculopathy
Pearls

- Look for eosinophilic material occluding vessels, distinguish from red blood cells
- Vessels may show hyalinization and fibrin with scattered neutrophils
- Investigate coagulation deficiencies (Antithrombin III, Factor V Leiden, Protein C&S, etc)
Sclerosing Basal Cell Carcinoma, Pigmented Type
Pearls

- Angular spiky nests of basaloid cells with desmoplastic stroma
- Look for melanin pigment within and adjacent to epithelial nests
- Relatively uncommon variant of basal cell carcinoma to be pigmented, most common is nodular BCC.
Lichen Amyloidosis
Pearls

- Hyperplastic epidermis overlying dermal papillary collections of hyalinized material
- Associated with melanophages
- Usually Congo red negative, typical for pre-keratin derived amyloid
- DDX: Macular amyloidosis less epidermal hyperplasia
Adenosquamous Carcinoma
Pearls

- Malignant squamous epithelial cells with intercellular bridges
- Ductal differentiation with intracytoplasmic vacuoles
- Confirm with mucin stains
- DDX: Microcystic adnexal carcinoma, acantholytic SCC
Sarcoidosis
Pearls

- Non-caseating granulomas with minimal surrounding chronic inflammation
- Beware perineural involvement, rule out tuberculoid leprosy
- Always polarize and perform AFB/FITE and PAS/GMS to rule out infection