

Figure 1 Change in nail plate surface pH upon washing and subsequently with time. The latter is given as an approximation, rather than a definite value as the time varied slightly for each volunteer and for each nail, depending on the durations of pH measurements. Reproduced with permission from [7].



Figure 2: The 'flaky' appearance of the nail plate surface after tape stripping. This volunteer received a total of 15 tape strips, at which point he felt discomfort and tingling. Reproduced with permission from [7].