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## *Pruritus ani*

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***Pruritus ani:*** a severe itchiness and rash around the perineum caused by the patient scratching usually from a fissure or excess coffee. Treatment of the fissure and occasionally an antifungal ointment (such as Canesten®) with cortisone will generally solve the problem. If the condition persists longer than a week, plain Canesten® without cortisone should be used.