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Dupilumab is a monoclonal antibody that antagonizes the alpha subunit of interleukin-4 (IL-4) and interleukin-13, thereby inhibiting key drivers in the inflammatory signaling cascade [1, 2]. It has emerged as a critical advancement in the treatment of severe atopic dermatitis and has gained widespread acceptance and notoriety in dermatological practice. However, there have been rare instances recently where the use of dupilumab has exacerbated symptoms and possibly contributed to disease progression in patients with underlying cutaneous T-cell lymphoma (CTCL).