



Common allergy problems and Drug allergy

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OUTLINE

- Allergic/ hypersensitivity reaction
 - Specific immune response to allergen: immediate (IgE-mediated), delayed (T cell-mediated, IgG-, eosinophil-, etc)
- IgE-mediated allergic disease
 - Immediate systemic reaction: Anaphylaxis
 - Chronic allergic diseases: Allergic rhinitis, asthma, atopic dermatitis, conjunctivitis
- Urticaria, angioedema
 - Multi-mechanism, mostly non-specific histamine release
- Delayed-type HSR (T cell-mediated)
 - Drug exanthem, SJS-TEN, DRESS

SJS, Stevens-Johnson syndrome
 TEN, toxic epidermal necrolysis

DRESS, drug reaction with eosinophilia and systemic symptoms



CUTANEOUS ADVERSE DRUG REACTION (CADR)

T cell-mediated, delayed-type hypersensitivity (DTH)



Clinical Classification of Drug Allergy

	Immediate	Nonimmediate
■ Onset	< 1 hour	>1 hour (usu. >24 hr)
■ Mechanism	Mostly IgE-mediated	T cell-mediated
■ Cutaneous	Urticaria, angioedema	Maculopapular rash, bullous, pustular
■ Systemic symptoms & signs	Hypotension, wheezing, dyspnea, diarrhea	Fever, hepatitis, nephritis, pneumonitis Hematologic involvement

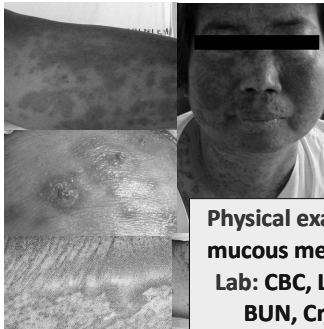
Demoly P, Bousquet J. Allergy 2002; 57 (suppl.72):37-40



Nonimmediate (mostly T cell-mediated)

Visible

Not visible:



- Fever
- Hepatitis
- Cytopenia
- Leukocytosis, eosinophilia
- Nephritis
- Pneumonitis
- Internal organ vasculitis

Physical exam: V/S, mucous membrane
 Lab: CBC, LFT, UA, BUN, Cr, CXR



Patch test

Diagnosis of type IV (T cell-mediated) DTH



Read at 48, 96 hours



Intradermal test (IDT) – delayed reading

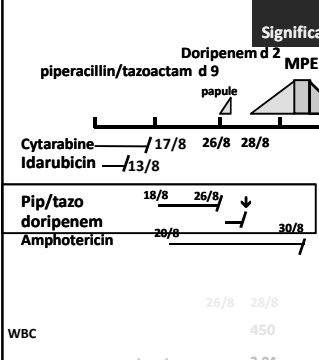
- Perform intradermal skin test
- Delayed reading (48 h up to 7 days): eczema, infiltrative lesion



Confirm Type IV, T cell-mediated delayed typed HSR

37 year female with relapse AML (maculopapular exanthem; MPE)

History MPE- vanco, meropenem
Significant MPE: doripenem d2, Pip/tazo d9 (off 2d)



- DDx MPE from infection แต่เลี้ยง piperacillin/tazobactam, doripenem, meropenem
- Graded or desensitization to BL ที่จะใช้
- นัด test เมื่อ stable

WBC 450
tryptase 3.04

4 months later: β -lactam testing

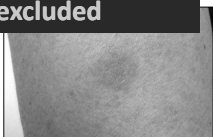
- Relapse AML after SCT 5 yr, S/P chemoRx → CR
- Suspected drug reaction
 - MPE from meropenem (d9), vancomycin (d6)
 - papule from Tazocin (d9)
 - MPE from doripenem (d2)
- ST pen/pip-tazo/carbapenem (delayed-reading) :
Positive pip/tazo
- DPT meropenem: negative
- DPT vancomycin: negative



Infiltrative papule at pie/tazo 20 hr after testing

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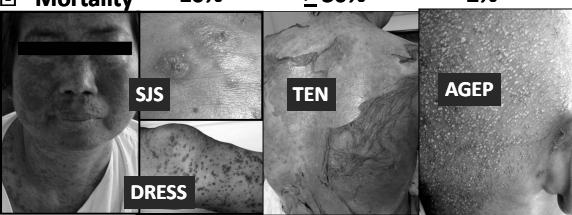
- Diagnosis: type IV HSR to piperacillin/tazobactam
- History of MPE (meropenem and vancomycin) can be excluded
- MPE from doripenem (d2)
- ST pen/pip-tazo/carbapenem (delayed-reading) :
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Severe Cutaneous Adverse Reaction (SCAR)

Mortality 10% $\geq 30\%$ 2%



Only 'early withdrawal of suspected drug' could decrease mortality rate¹ Importance of early diagnosis!

1. Garcia-Doval I, et al. Arch Dermatol 2002; 136:323-7.
SJS-TEN, Stevens-Johnson syndrome; AGEP, acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis
DRESS, drug reaction with eosinophilia and systemic symptoms

Red flag Symptoms & Signs for non-immediate HSR

Facial involvement Facial edema Infiltrative papule → confluent



Laboratory results:

- Leukocytosis, eosinophilia, atypical lymphocytosis
- Hepatitis

General symptoms:

- Fever, myalgia, arthralgia, lymphadenopathy

Non-specific but good 'warning sign'

Bircher AJ. Toxicology 2005;209:201-7.

54 year male, eye pain and lip swelling 2 days → rash

2 days ago: eye & lip pain with lip swelling, Rx: amoxicillin, idarac, steroid E.D. → next day: generalized rash

■ **PH: Gout for 4 months** **Flat, purpuric macules, irregular shape (SJS)**

■ **Current Rx (3 weeks ago): celecoxib as needed, allopurinol (300) 1x1**

Diagnosis: SJS (allopurinol day 21)

Mucous mb ulceration




Clinical Classification of SJS-TEN

	Pattern of lesions	Distribution	Extent of blisters / Detachment %	Mortality
Erythema Multiforme major (EMM)	Raised (typical or atypical targets)	Localized (acral)	< 10	0%
SJS	Flat atypical targets or Blister on macules	Widespread	< 10	10%
Overlap SJS-TEN	Flat atypical targets or Blister on macules	Widespread	10-29	10-30%
TEN with spots	Flat atypical targets or Blister on macules	Widespread	≥ 30	30+%
TEN without spots	no discrete lesion, Large erythematous area	Widespread	≥ 10	30+%

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Recognition 2 common skin eruption in SJS-TEN: Macule and atypical target

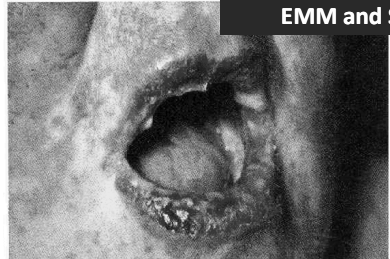
All with epidermal necrolysis (bleb or detachment)

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Importantly 'mucous membrane involvement'

Common feature of both EMM and SJS-TEN



EMM (Erythema multiforme major)



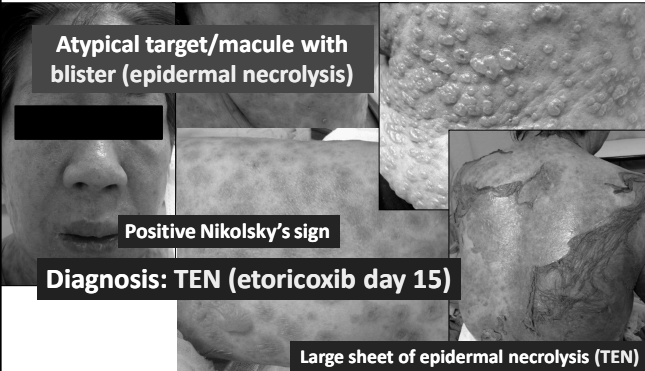
- 'Iris' lesion: circular, raised, 3 zones lesion
- Typically acrally localized
- Association with viral infection
- No mortality

Purpuric Macules in SJS




- Most common in SJS-TEN
- Flat, purpuric macules
- Irregular shaped
- May develop confluent erythema → epidermal necrolysis and detachment
- Early sign = Nikolsky's sign

Female with fever, exanthema eruption, oral and eye pain for 4 days



Atypical target/macule with blister (epidermal necrolysis)

Positive Nikolsky's sign

Diagnosis: TEN (etoricoxib day 15)

Large sheet of epidermal necrolysis (TEN)

50 year male with fever, diarrhea, pruritic rash and jaundice for 6 days

RA (1st diagnosis): SSZ, etoricoxib, CQ, pred, INH, OMZ for 6 wks
MTX, folic for 4 days

T 38.3 C, BP 130/90 mmHg, HR 110/min, RR 20/min
Face swelling and confluent maculopapular eruption



CBC: Hct 41%, WBC 22,700 (N56%, L17%, M 12%, E14%)
Plt 159,000/mm³

LFT: AST 52, ALT 72, AP 735, GGT 874 U/L, TB 6.7, DB 4.8 mg/dl

UA: Sp gr 1.025, prot 2+, WBC 10-15, no eosinophil, RBC 2-3, granular cast 2-4, waxy cast 0-1, epith 5-10/HPF

BUN 23 mg/dl, Cr 1.2 mg/dl

Diagnosis: DRESS (likely sulfasalazine)

Criteria for DIHS/DRESS
Modified from J-SCAR and EuroSCAR

- MP rash begins > 3 wks after initiation of drug
 - Suggestive: BSA > 50%, facial swelling, exfoliative dermatitis **2**
- Prolonged clinical symptoms > 2 wks after stop the drug
- Fever (> 38 C)
- Transaminase > 100 U/L [2x of normal value] **1**
- Leukocyte abnormalities (at least one)
 - Leukocytosis (> 11,000 cell/mm³) [high or lower than normal] **1**
 - Atypical lymphocytosis (> 5%) [any %] **1**
 - Eosinophilia (> 1,500 cell/mm³) [> 10-20%, AEC > 700-1500] **2**
- Lymphadenopathy **1**
- HHV 6 reactivation

Score 4-5 (probable)
≥ 6 (definite)

Shiohara T et al. Br J of Dermatol 2007; 156:1045-1092.
Kardaun SH, et al. Br J Dermatol 2007; 156: 609-611.

Common Drug Lists

SJS/TEN	DRESS
- Allopurinol - Carbamazepine - Phenytoin - Phenobarbital - Lamotrigine - Sulfamethoxazole - Nevirapine - Oxicam, coxib?	- Anti-convulsant - Carbamazepine - Phenytoin - Phenobarbital - Lamotrigine - Allopurinol - Sulfonamides - Sulfasalazine, dapsone - Abacavir, nevirapine - Minocycline, vancomycin

Roujeau JC, et al. N Engl J Med 1995;333:1600-7.

Take Home Message

- Hypersensitivity:** excessive function → autoimmune disease, allergic disease
- Allergy (Type I, IgE-mediated immediate HSR)**
 - Systemic: Anaphylaxis → adrenaline IM
 - Chronic inflammation: AR, asthma → topical steroid
- Pseudoallergy:** pre-meds + slow rates
 - Isolated angioedema: look for drug (ACE-I, NSAIDs)
- Delayed (Type IV, T-cell mediated)**
 - Maculopapular exanthem: avoid
 - SJS-TEN, DRESS: early recognition, avoid
 - Culprit: allopurinol, antiepileptic drug, sulfonamide, anti-retroviral drug

• V/S, mucous mb, epidermal necrolysis
• CBC, LFT, UA, CXR
• Daily visit



Question?

Thank you
For Your Attention