DRUG ERUPTIONS and OTHER DISORDERS

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DRUG ERUPTIONS

Drug Reactions 3 things you need to know

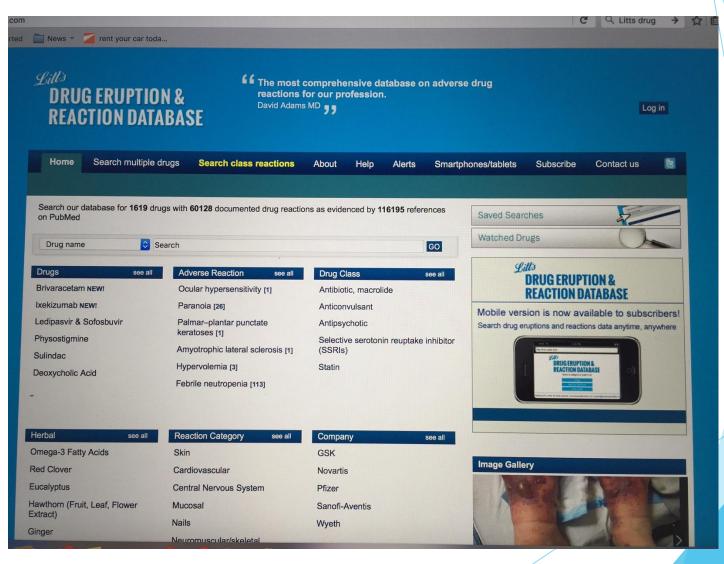
- 1. Type of drug reaction
- 2. Statistics
 - What drugs are most likely to cause that type of reaction?
- 3. Timing
 - How long after the drug was started did the reaction begin?



Clinical Pearls

- Drug eruptions are extremely common
 Tend to be generalized/symmetric
 - Maculopapular/morbilliform are most common
- Best Intervention: Stop the Drug!
 - Do not dose reduce
 - Completely remove the exposure
- How to spot the culprit?
 - Drug started within days to a week prior to rash
 - Can be difficult and take time
 - Tip: can generally exclude all drugs started after onset of rash
 - Drug eruptions can continue for 1-2 weeks after stopping culprit drug

LITT's drug eruption database



Drug Eruptions

- Skin is one of the most common targets for drug reactions
- Antibiotics and anticonvulsants are most common
 - ► 1-5% of patients
- 2% of all drug eruptions are "serious"
 - TEN, DRESS
- More common in adult females and boys < 3 y/o</p>
- Not all drugs cause eruptions at same rate:
 - > Aminopenicillins: 1.2-8% of exposures
 - TMP-SMX: 2.8-3.7%
 - NSAIDs: 1 in 200
 - Lamotrigine: 10%

Drug Eruptions

Three basic rules

- 1. **Stop** any unnecessary medications
- 2. Ask about non-prescription medications
 - Eye drops, suppositories, implants, injections, patches, vitamin and health supplements, friend's medications

3. ALWAYS consider medications as possible cause (no matter how atypical)

Clinical presentation	Percentage that are drug-induced (%)	Time interval	Mortality (%)	Selected responsible drugs
Exanthematous eruption	Child: 10–20 Adult: 50–70	4–14 days	0	Aminopenicillins Sulfonamides Cephalosporins Anticonvulsants Allopurinol
Urticaria Anaphylaxis	<10 30	Min-hours Min-hours	0 5	Penicillins Cephalosporins NSAIDs Monoclonal Abs Contrast media
Fixed drug eruption	100	First exposure: 1–2 weeks Re-exposure: <48 hours, usually within 24 hours	0	TMP-SMX NSAIDs Tetracyclines Pseudoephedrine
Acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis (AGEP)	70-90	<4 days	1-2	β-Lactam antibiotics Macrolides Calcium channel block.
Drug reaction with eosinophilia and systemic symptoms (DRESS)	70-90	15-40 days	5-10	Anticonvulsants Sulfonamides Allopurinol Minocycline Lamotrigine
Stevens–Johnson syndrome (SJS) Toxic epidermal necrolysis (TEN)	70-90	7-21 days	5 30	Sulfa Anticonvulsants NSAIDS Allopurinol



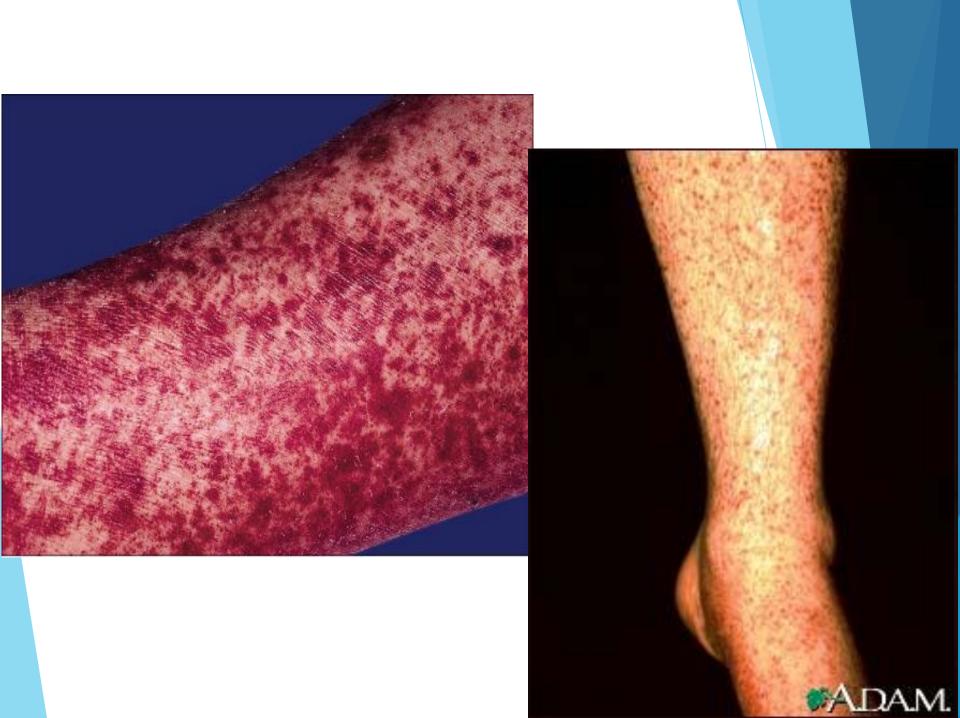




Note confluence of lesions on trunk

Morbilliform reaction to ampicillinamoxicillin















Vasculitis

Drug Induced Vasculitis

- Palpable Purpura
 - Dependent area
 - Symmetrical distribution
 - Urticaria-like lesions, ulcers, nodules, hemorrhagic blisters, pustules and digital necrosis
- Typically small vessels
- 7 to 10 days after drug administration and < 3 days following rechallenge
- Medications associated:
 - PCNs, NSAIDs (oral and topical), sulfonamides and cephalosporins
 - Propylthiouracil, thiazide diuretics, furosemide, allopurinol, phenytoin
 - Fluoroquinolones and biologic agents [G-CSF, GM-CSF], interferons
- Treatment
 - Stop offending agent
 - Supportive care
 - NSAIDS, antihistamines





Fixed Drug Eruption





Fixed Drug Eruptions

- Lesions reoccur at the same site with each exposure to medication
 - 1 to 2 weeks after first exposure
 - Within 24 hours, after subsequent exposures
- Clinically:
 - One or a few, round, sharply demarcated erythematous & edematous plaques
 - Dusky, violaceous hue, central blister or detached epidermis
- Anywhere on the body,
- Favor the lips, face, hands, feet and genitalia
 - 50% on oral or genital mucosa
 - 2% of all genital ulcers (especially young boys)
- Treatment
 - Lesions fade, leaving a residual postinflammatory brown pigmentation

Fixed Drug Eruptions

- Usually intermittent drugs:
 - NSAIDs
 - Sulfonamides (TMP) → majority of genital fixed drug eruptions
 - Sarbiturates, TCNs, phenolphthalein, acetaminophen, cetirizine, celecoxib, dextromethorphan, hydroxyzine, lamotrigine, phenylpropanolamine, erythromycin, herbs



HELP!

▶ I am Red and Scaly From Head to Toe!

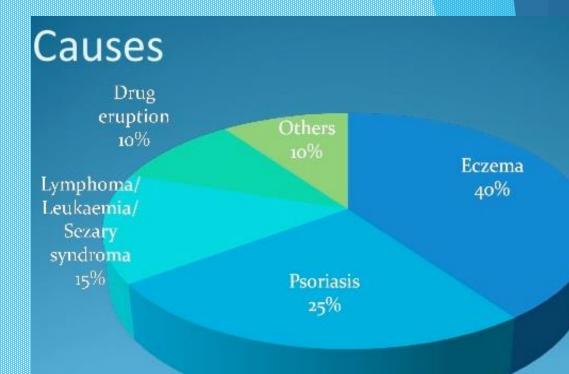


Erythroderma

What is it?

- Exfoliative dermatitis that involves >90% surface area
- Causes
 - Psoriasis
 - Seborrheic Dermatitis
 - Drug Eruptions
 - Pityriasis rubra pilaris
 - Lymphoma
 - Eczema
 - Infection
 - Bacterial
 - Fungal
 - Viral

Autoimmune bullous dz



Psoriasis



Seborrheic Dermatitis



Drug Eruption



Pityriasis Rubra Pilaris

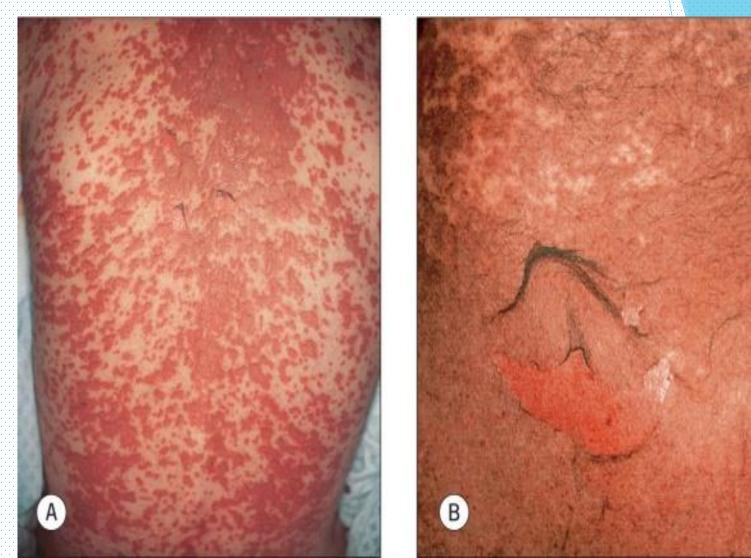




Lymphoma



Case 1: 65 y/o Female presents w/ "tender skin all over" which began after few days of coughing and fever and chills



Case 1: Continued...

- <u>ROS</u>: Photophobia & dysphagia/odynophagia
- Recently Rx an antibiotic for a "large boil on her leg"
- PMHx: seizure disorder
- <u>Meds</u>: Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole, Lamotrigine



Stevens-Johnson (SJS) & Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis (TEN)

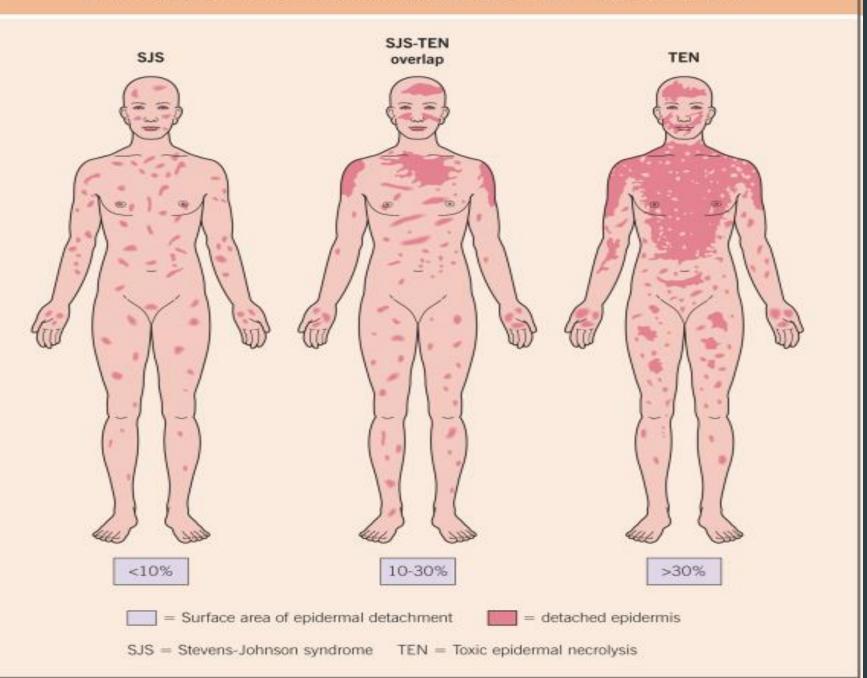


Characteristic dusky red color of the early macular eruption

Erythema Multiforme, Stevens-Johnson Syndrome, Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis

- Spectrum of Disease
 - Histologically indistinguishable
 - More severe reactions are likely to be drug induced (50% of SJS, 80% of TEN)
- Definitions
 SJS = less than 10% BSA
 SJS/TEN overlap = 10-30% BSA
 TEN = greater than 30% BSA

SPECTRUM OF DISEASE BASED UPON SURFACE AREA OF EPIDERMAL DETACHMENT



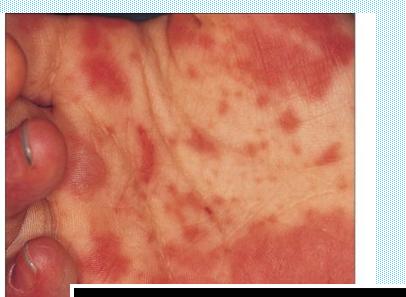
Associated Medications SJS/TEN

MEDICATIONS MOST FREQUENTLY ASSOCIATED WITH SJS AND TEN

Allopurinol Aminopenicillins Amithiozone (thioacetazone)*,¹ Barbiturates Carbamazepine Chlormezanone*,² Phenytoin antiepileptic

Lamotrigine Phenylbutazone^{*,3} Piroxicam Sulfadiazine^{*,1} Sulfadoxine^{*,1} Sulfasalazine Trimethoprim–sulfamethoxazole

Infections





Mycoplasma common cause of SJS in kids





EM, SJS, TEN

- Fever, flu-like symptoms precede eruption by a few days
- SJS & TEN: Involvement of 2 or more mucosal surfaces
 - Oral mucosa and conjunctivae most common
 - May be present before rash
- Stop drug promptly
 - Decreases mortality rate (from 26% to 5%) in drugs with short half lives



TEN

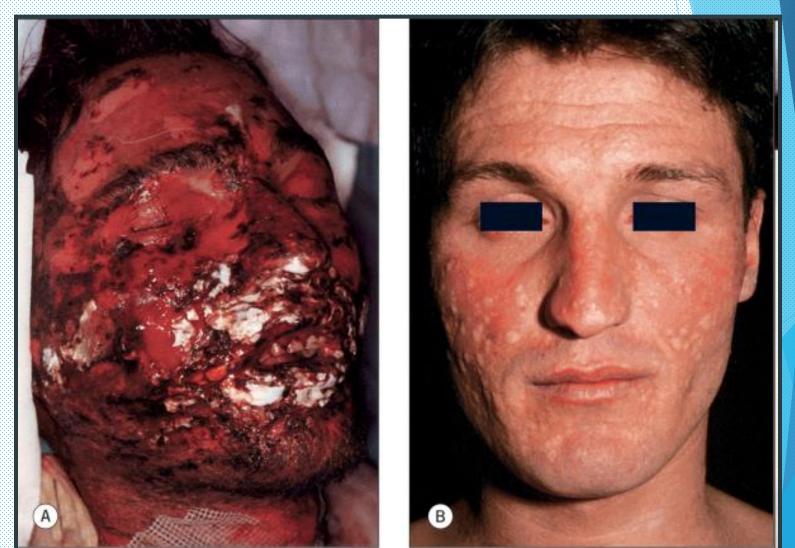




SJS/TEN

- Treatment: burn unit
 - Supportive
 - Fluids, nutrient, electrolyte replacement, infection control
 - IVIG:
 - Stops keratinocyte apoptosis, blocks death receptor FAS (CD95)
 - Immunosuppressive therapy
 - Controversial
 - May increase morbidity/mortality
 - Systemic steroids early short trial, rapid taper
 - Outcome Measures:
 - Age, severity of underlying disease & extent of skin loss
 - Epidermal regrowth 3 weeks
 - Ocular scarring and vision loss, nail abnormalities, transient widespread verrucous hyperplasia, confluent SKs
 Mortality rates: SJS 5%, TEN 30%

TEN (50% body surface area involvement) before (A) and 3 weeks after (B) treatment with IVIg (0.75 g/kg/day for 4 days)



Erythema Multiforme



What is the most common infectious cause of erythema multiforme?

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Herpes Virus



Infectious

Staphylococcal Infections

- Cutaneous manifestations of endocarditis
- Impetigo of Bockhart
- Sycosis Barbae
- Folliculitis
- Furunculosis
- Pyogenic Paronychia
- Botryomycosis
- Pyomyositis
- Impetigo
- Staph Scalded Skin Syndrome
- Toxic Shock Syndrome



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Staphylococcal Infections

- Skin lesions: pustules, furuncles, erosions with honey-colored crusts, bullae, erythema and desquamation, or vegetating pyodermas
- Staph is the most common bacterial infection in children
 - Extremely contagious
 - Person-to-person contact
- Endocarditis:
 - Osler node: painful, erythematous nodule pale center located on fingertips, thenar, and hypothenar eminences
 - Janeway lesions: non-tender, angular hemorrhagic lesions on palms

Osler nodes



- Both Janeway lesions & Osler nodes are due to septic emboli
- Osler nodes are painful
 - Osler=Ouch

Janeway lesions





Community Acquired MRSA

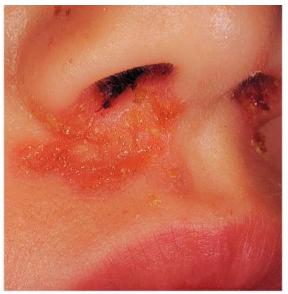
- First appeared in isolates of S.aureus in 1961
- Risk factors:
 - Age > 65
 - Exposure to MRSA
 - Prior Abx therapy
 - Recent hospitalization or chronic illness—IV Vancomycin or Linezolid
- If MRSA suspected:
 - Clindamycin
 - Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole (alone or with rifampin)
 - Minocycline/Doxycycline
 - Oral linezolid (very expensive)
 - Empiric Vancomycin in all pts w/ severe, life-threatening infection



IMPETIGO CONTAGIOSA

DDx:

- Tinea corporis (circinate lesions)
- Toxicodendron/rhus dermatitis
- Varicella (small, discrete vesicles)
- Ecthyma (crusted ulcers, not erosions)



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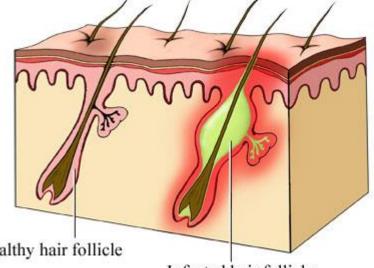


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Impetigo Contagiosa

- Presentation: 2mm erythematous papule develops into vesicles and bullae. Upon rupture a straw colored seropurulent discharge dries to form yellow, friable crust.
- Etiology: S. Aureus > S. Pyogenes.
- Lesions located on exposed parts of body.
- Group A Strep can cause AGN
 - Children <6 yrs old</p>
 - 2% to 5% of infections
 - Serotytpes 49, 55, 57, 60 strain M2 most associated
 - Good prognosis in children

Folliculitis





lealthy hair follicle

Infected hair follicle

- Superficial (follicle ostium) or deep infection of the hair follicle
 - Common in AIDS, frequent cause of pruritus
 - Can occur on eyelashes, pubis (sexual contact, STD), thighs
- S. aureus most common infectious cause
- *Pseudomonas* assoc. with swimming pools + jacuzzis
 - Alkaline water & low chlorine content
 - Bathing suit distribution
- Other Gram-negatives (*Klebsiella*, *E. coli*, *Enterobacter*, *Proteus*) = implicated in pts on long-term abx therapy for Tx of acne/rosacea

Scarlet Fever

- Group A β hemolytic strep produces exotoxin
- Diffuse erythematous exanthem marked by erythematous, (tiny 1-2mm) papular eruption, with a rough, sandpaper quality
- Occurs during course of strep pharyngitis, 24-48 hrs after onset of pharyngeal symptoms
 - Also headache, malaise, chills, anorexia, nausea, high fevers
- Check ASO titer, throat swab
- Strawberry tongue, with enlarged, exudative tonsils
- MC between 1-10 years of age



White: early

Red: 4-5th day





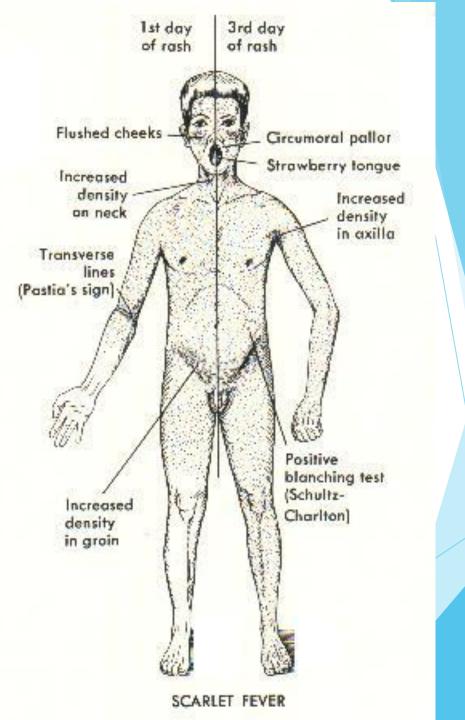
Strawberry tongue, with enlarged, exudative tonsils

Scarlet Fever



Rash with circumoral pallor

Scarlet Fever



Staphylococcal Scalded Skin Syndrome Ritter's disease, Pemphigus neonatorum

- Primarily children < 6 y/o</p>
- Characterized by red, blistering skin 2° a <u>staph</u> infection from distant foci
- Localized toxigenic strain of S. aureus
 - Naso-oropharynx or conjunctiva
 - Tender, flaccid, sterile bullae (culture negative)
 - Not at the DEJ as in TEN which exhibits 'full thickness necrosis'





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- ► Prodrome of malaise, fever, irritability, sore throat, & severe tenderness of the skin → Purulent rhinorrhea or conjunctivitis
- Erythema 1st appears on head, then generalized in 48 hours
 - Skin develops wrinkled appearance due to flaccid bullae in superficial epidermis → <u>spares palms, soles, mucous</u> <u>membranes</u>
 - Perioral crusting, mild facial edema
- Scaling & desquamation continue for 3-5 days w/ reepithelialization in 10-14 days
 - Mortality rates: 3% in children, over 50% in adults, 100% in adults w/underlying disease

Staphylococcal Scalded Skin Syndrome

Diagnosis:

- Cultures from intact bullae are negative (sterile bullae)
- Culture instead from conjunctiva, nasopharynx, perineum, or pyogenic foci on the skin

Treatment:

- Inpatient IV penicillinase-resistant antibiotic agents
 - Nafcillin
 - ► If penicillin-allergic → macrolides or aminoglycosides
- Supportive care such as fluid and electrolyte replacement and local wound care

Erysipelas St. Anthony's Fire, Ignis sacer

- **Group A B-hemolytic** *strep*
- Group B strep in newborns
- Acute infection of <u>dermis</u> & superficial dermal <u>lymphatics</u>
 - Local redness, heat, swelling
 - Raised, indurated border that spreads
 - Legs and face MC sites (scalp barrier to extension)
- Prodromal constitutional Sx:
 - Lymphadenopathy
 - Leukocytosis ≥ 20,000



Erysipelas

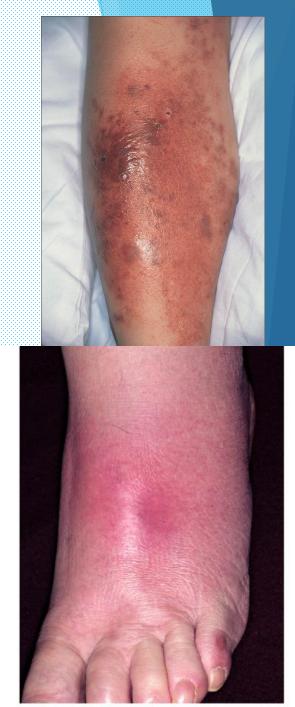
- Complications:
 - Septicemia, deep cellulitis, necrotizing fasciitis
- Differential diagnosis:
 - Contact derm (plants, drugs, dyes) although not assoc. w/ f/c, pain
 - Lupus erythematosus butterfly pattern
- Treatment:
 - PCN, erythromycin at least 10 days
 - Ice compresses
 - Inpatient and IV Abx





Cellulitis

- Deep dermal & SQ infection of mainly Staph. aureus or Strep. pyogenes
- Suppurative inflammation usually following a wound
 - MC port-of-entry is due to T. pedis
 - Purulent and necrotic material will drain
 - Local erythema, tenderness, malaise
- ► Erythema becomes intense rapidly and spreads → Streaks of lymphangitis
- Risk factors:
 - DM, Alcoholism, lymphedema, IVDA, PVD
 - Damage to lymphatic system (vein stripping



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Cellulitis

- Cellulitis is almost always unilateral, if bilateral, think stasis dermatitis
- Complications (rare in immunocompetent hosts)
 - Gangrene
 - Metastatic abscesses
 - Septicemia
- Initial therapy cover staph and strep:
 - 1st gen ceph or pcn'ase resistant pcn
 - Suspect MRSA if unresponsive





Don't be Fooled



Pseudomonas aeruginosa

Ecthyma gangrenosum

- Bacteremia with skin conditions
- Debilitated patients (leukemia, burns, chronic granulomatous diz, Ca, neutropenia)
- Healthy infants after Abx therapy + macerated diaper area
- Starts as a vesicle → hemorrhagic pustule → necrotic ulcers
- MUST assume pseudomonal sepsis
- DDX: pyoderma gangrenosum, necrotizing vasculitis, and cryoglobulinemia
- Tx: double coverage
 - Amioglycosiede + piperacillin
 - ► +/- GM-CSF



Pseudomonas aeruginosa

- Green nail syndrome
 - Greenish discoloration in areas of onycholysis is due to pigment production:
 - Pyocyanin: blue
 - Flourescein: yellow/green
 - Pyomelinin: black
 - Seen in people who chronically have their hands in water
 - DDX: subungual hematoma, melanocytic nevus, melanoma, Aspirgillus infection
 - Benzoyl peroxide; 1% acetic acid soaks, debridement





Pseudomonas aeruginosa

Hot tub folliculitis

- 1-4 days after exposure
- Maintain chlorination of water 7.2-7.4
- Apocrine areas (breast, axilla)
- *risk for malignant external otits (facial nerve palsy in 30%)
- Folliculitis self-limiting (7-14 days)
- Cipro for systemic symptoms



Hot tub folliculitis



Otitis externa

Meningococcemia

- N. meningitidis
 - gram-negative diplococcus
- Virulence related to polysaccharide capsule (gonorrhea does not have)
- Endotoxin \rightarrow inflammation
- Serogroups A, B, C, W135, X, Y and Z
 - Vaccines cover A, C, Y, W-135
- Transmitted from person to person via respiratory secretions
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- Flu-like s/s that RAPIDLY progress
- Acute: Fever, chills, hypotension, meningitis, 50-60% have petechiae (trunk, ext)
- *Angular infarcts with erythematous rim and gunmetal gray interior
- *Waterhouse-Friderichsen Syndrome" (adrenal hemorrhage/ infarct) may occur 2* hypotension
 - Nasal carriage in 5-10%
 - Chronic form, very rare





Case

- ▶ 84 y.o. obese, caucasian female
- Multiple enlarging, necrotic, ulcerated plaques on the lower extremities
- Rapidly expanding up to 15 cm over several weeks
- Painful upon palpation, indurated

Incisional Biopsy



Plan

Biopsy

A punch biopsy and incisional biopsy were performed in the office

Labs

CBC, CMP, phosphorus, PT/PTT/INR, protein C & S, antithrombin III, anticardiolipin antibody, lupus anticoagulant, factor V leiden, serum cryoglobulins, hepatitis C antibody, vitamin D, parathyroid hormone

Hospital admission

Further evaluation and treatment

Pathology Report

Punch biopsy and incisional biopsy revealed fibrin thrombi with a broad ddx

- ► Protein C & S deficiency
- Warfarin induced necrosis
- ► DIC

- Purpura fulminans
- Cryoglobulinemia
- Antiphospholipid syndrome
- Factor V leiden deficiency

Labs

Significant for:

- Increased: serum creatinine, alk phos, PT, anticardiolipin
 IgM antibody, lupus anticoagulant
- Normal: calcium, phosphorus, INR, parathyroid hormone, factor V leiden, cryoglobulins
- Decreased: GFR (29), protein C & S

Hospital Course

- Excisional biopsy performed by general surgery on one of the ulcerated, necrotic plaques
 - Consistent with calciphylaxis
- Patient was started on sodium thiosulfate 25g IV daily
- Patient deferred further treatment and was discharged to a nursing home for palliative care
- Patient died within 1 month of initial visit

Calciphylaxis

- AKA calcific uremic arteriolopathy
- Rare and serious disorder that features systemic medial calcification of arterioles that causes ischemia and subcutaneous necrosis
- Most commonly occurs in ESRD patients on hemodialysis
- Pathogenesis
 - Poorly understood, multifactorial
 - Vascular calcification
- Risk factors
 - ESRD, female sex, obesity, hyperparathyroidism, hypercoaguable states, hyperphosphatemia, medications
 - **warfarin**, vit D analogs, systemic glucocorticosteroids
 - warfarin: 10 fold increased risk of calciphylaxis

Discussion Cont

Treatment

- Evidence based guidelines have yet to be determined
- IV Sodium thiosulfate calcium binder and antioxidant
- Wound care and pain management
- Oxygen therapy
- Correct any underlying lab abnormalities

Calciphylaxis Conclusion

- Elderly, obese female with an acute onset of calciphylaxis
- Multiple cofactors that might have contributed to the pathogenesis
- Treatments range from case report experience to the correction of underlying etiologies
- Calciphylaxis is an aggressive and poorly prognostic diagnosis that still leaves a lot to be learned

NUTRITIONAL DISORDERS

- Vitamin K Deficiency
- Vitamin B3 Deficiency
- Vitamin C Deficiency
- Zinc Deficiency
- Iron Deficiency

Vitamin K Deficiency

- Infants
 - Premature, uncolonized GI tract
- Adults
 - Malabsorption; liver dz
- <u>Clinical:</u>
 - Purpura
 - Massive hemorrhage
- Dx: elevated PT and PTT
- Tx:
 - Adults = Vitamin K 5-10 mg/day IM x several days
 - Kids = 2 mg/day (0.5 to 1mg in newborns)
 - Acute crisis = Fresh Frozen Plasma (FFP)



Vitamin B3 Deficiency-Pellagra

- Skin manifestations may be the 1st sign
- **<u>Glossitis</u>**: inflammation of the tongue
- The 4 D's: diarrhea, dementia, dermatitis → DEATH
 - Diarrhea
 - Acute inflammation of the small intestine and colon
 - Dementia
 - Patchy demyelinization and degeneration of the affected nervous system
 - Dermatitis
 - Four types of dermatitis
 - Photosensitive eruptions
 - Perineal lesions
 - Thickening and pigmentation over bony prominences
 - Seborrheic-like dermatitis of the face

Pellagra





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<u>Casal's necklace</u>: Photosensitive eruption on face, neck, and upper chest

Pellagra

Additional manifestations: Depression, apathy, psychosis, coma Death in 4-5 yrs if untreated Dx: clinical Low serum niacin, tryptophan Tx: Niacin 50-300mg/day PO (rapid reversal of pellagra) 100mg/day IV for malnourished

VITAMIN C DEFICIENCY Scurvy

- Water-soluble vitamin found in fresh fruits, vegetables
- Roles:
 - Collagen & ground substance formation
 - Synthesis of epinephrine & carnitine
 - Leukocyte function, iron absorption, folic acid metabolism
- Reducing agent:
 - Cofactor for hydroxylation of procollagen \rightarrow collagen
- Elderly male alcoholics (MC), psych patients on restrictive diets, children 6-24mo

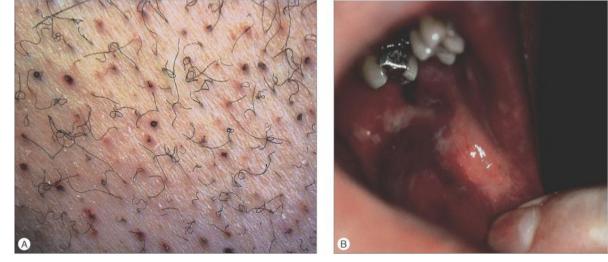
Citrus fruits, green peppers, strawberries, tomatoes, broccoli and sweet and white potatoes are all excellent food sources of vitamin C (ascorbic acid)



Scurvy

- Four Hs:
 - Hemorrhage
 - Hemorrhagic gingivitis
 - Epistaxis
 - Perifollicular petechiae
 - Subungual, IM, and intraarticular hemorrhage
 - Subperiosteal hemorrhage leading to pseudoparalysis
 - Hyperkeratosis of the hair follicles
 - Hypochondriasis
 - Hematologic abnormalities





- Clinical
 - Woody edema

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- Corkscrew hairs \rightarrow plugging of hair follicles by curled hairs
 - Forearms, abdomen, thighs
- Delayed wound healing
 - due to secondary defect in collagen formation
- Depression
- ANEMIA (secondary to bleeding)
- Tx:
 - Ascorbic acid 1000 mg/day
 - Maintenance dose of 100 mg/day should be considered

- Functions of Zinc:
 - Wound healing



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- Immune/reproductive/neuropsychiatric function
- Inc. zinc requirements:
 - infections, post-surgery, pregnancy, cancer
- Largely dependent on food intake
 - Nuts, whole grains, green leafy vegetables, shellfish, human milk
- Presents most commonly in infancy
 - Premature
 - suboptimal absorption, high zinc requirements, inadequate body stores
 - Breast milk generally provides adequate zinc
 - Occurs at the time of weaning from breast milk to cow's milk









Genetic

"acrodermatitis enteropathica"

zinc transporter mutation

Acquired

alcoholics, malnourished, CRF, malignancies, pregnancy, drugs, HIV

- ► Triad: *Dermatitis*, *diarrhea* and *alopecia*
 - Dermatitis:
 - Acral and periorificial distribution
 - ▶ Patchy, red, dry scaling with exudation and crusting
 - Angular chelitis and stomatitis; drooling
 - Diarrhea: suspect in infant with chronic diaper rash & diarrhea
 - ► <u>Alopecia</u>: generalized
- Additional Sx:
 - Growth retardation
 - Impaired wound healing
 - CNS findings
 - ► Emotional lability & irritability



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Dx:

- Low serum zinc levels but not diagnostic
- LOW alkaline phos (zinc-dependent enzyme)

► Tx:

- Zinc sulfate PO 1 to 2 mg/kg/day
- Acrodermatitis enteropathica: 3 mg/kg/day lifelong
- Warm compresses and petroleum applied TID to areas of weeping or crusted dermatitis to support reepithelialization

Iron Deficiency

- Decreased total-body iron content
- Common
 - Menstruating women
 - Diet low in red meat or diminished absorbable dietary iron
- Iron balance: achieved by regulation of iron absorption in the proximal small intestine
- Dx: check serum iron, TIBC and ferritin
- Tx: Iron sulfate 325 mg PO TID
- Plummer-Vinson: middle-aged women
 - Microcytic anemia
 - Dysphagia/esophageal webs
 - Thin lips with small inelastic opening of the mouth

Iron Deficiency

Clinical Manifestations

koilonychia

- "spoon nails"
- ▶ 40-50%
- physiologic in kids
- Glossitis
- Angular cheilitis
- Pruritus
- Telogen effluvium





Koilonychia



Thank You

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