

**“The power of God is with
you at all times;
through the activities of
mind, senses, breathing, and
emotions; and is constantly
doing all the work using you
as a mere instrument.”**

- BHAGAVAD GITA-

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DRUG ALLERGY



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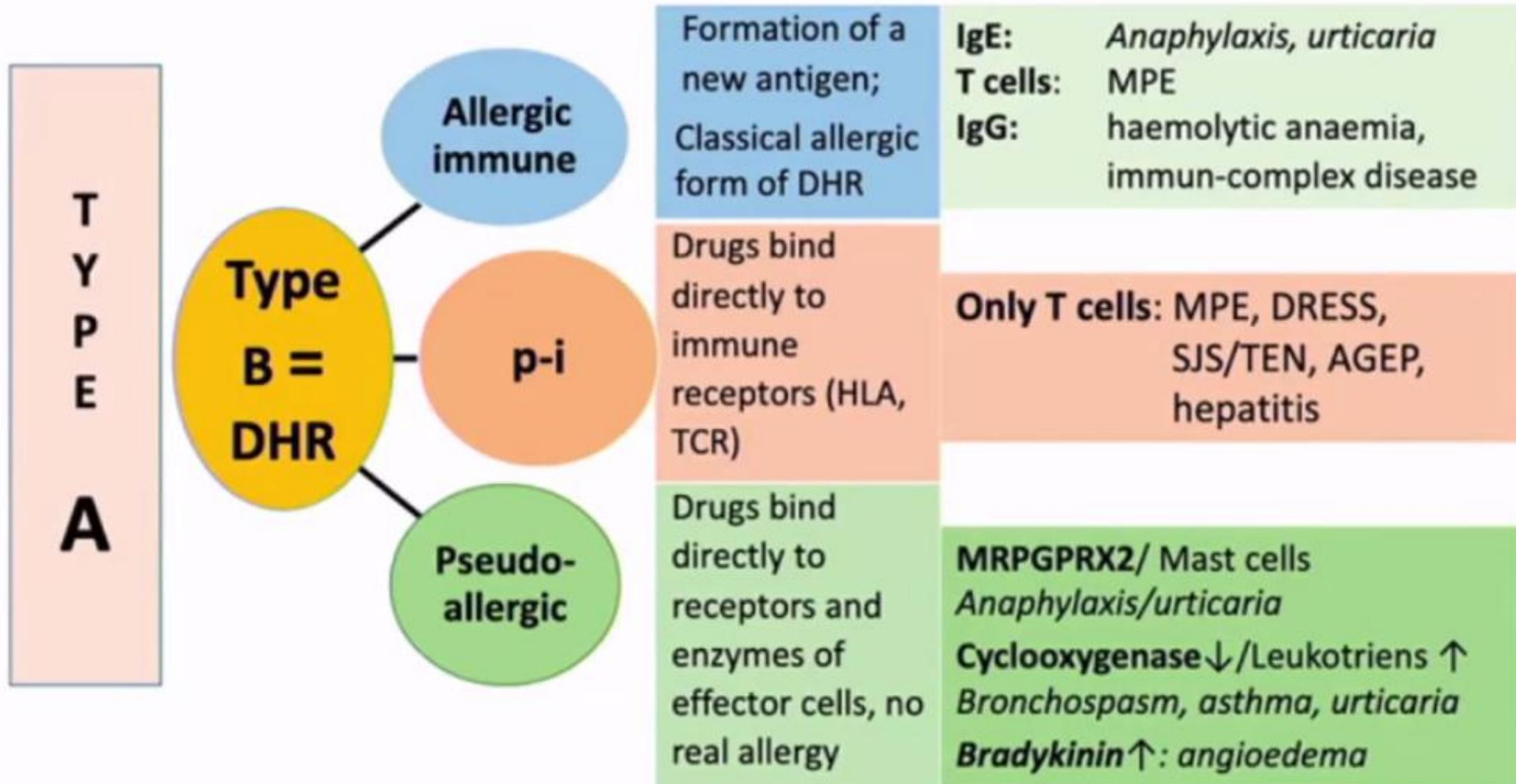
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Drug hypersensitivity reactions

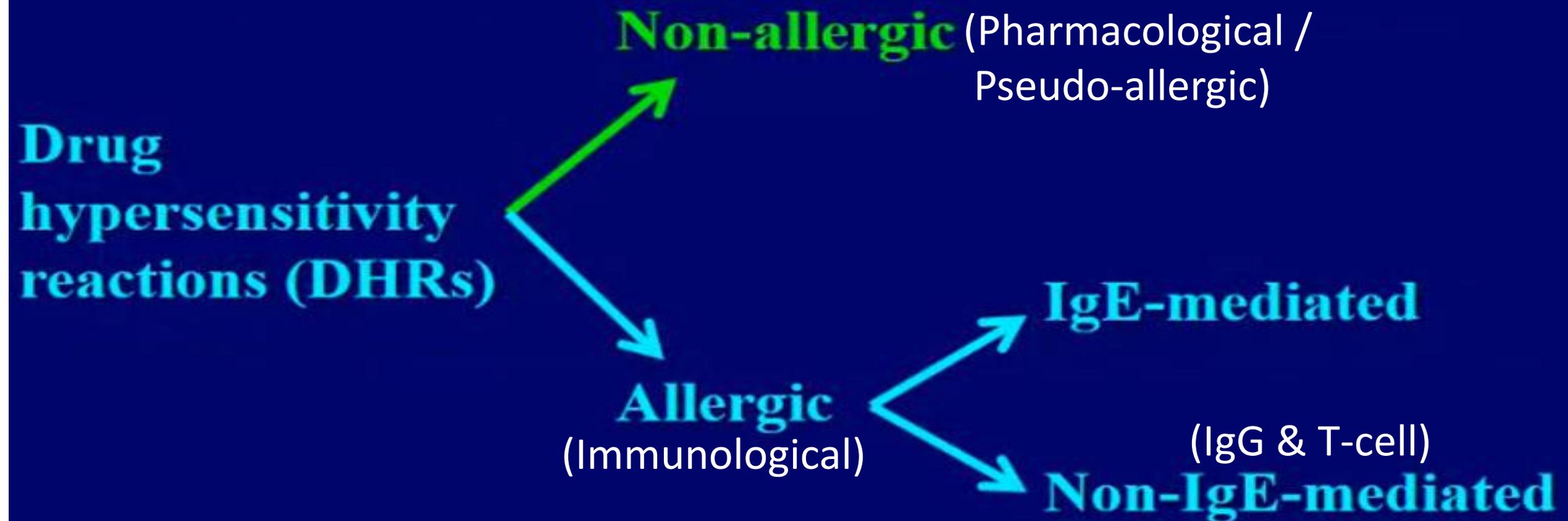
DHRs are adverse effects of drugs that clinically resemble allergic reactions

DHRs constitute 15% of all adverse drug reactions affecting more than 7% of the general population

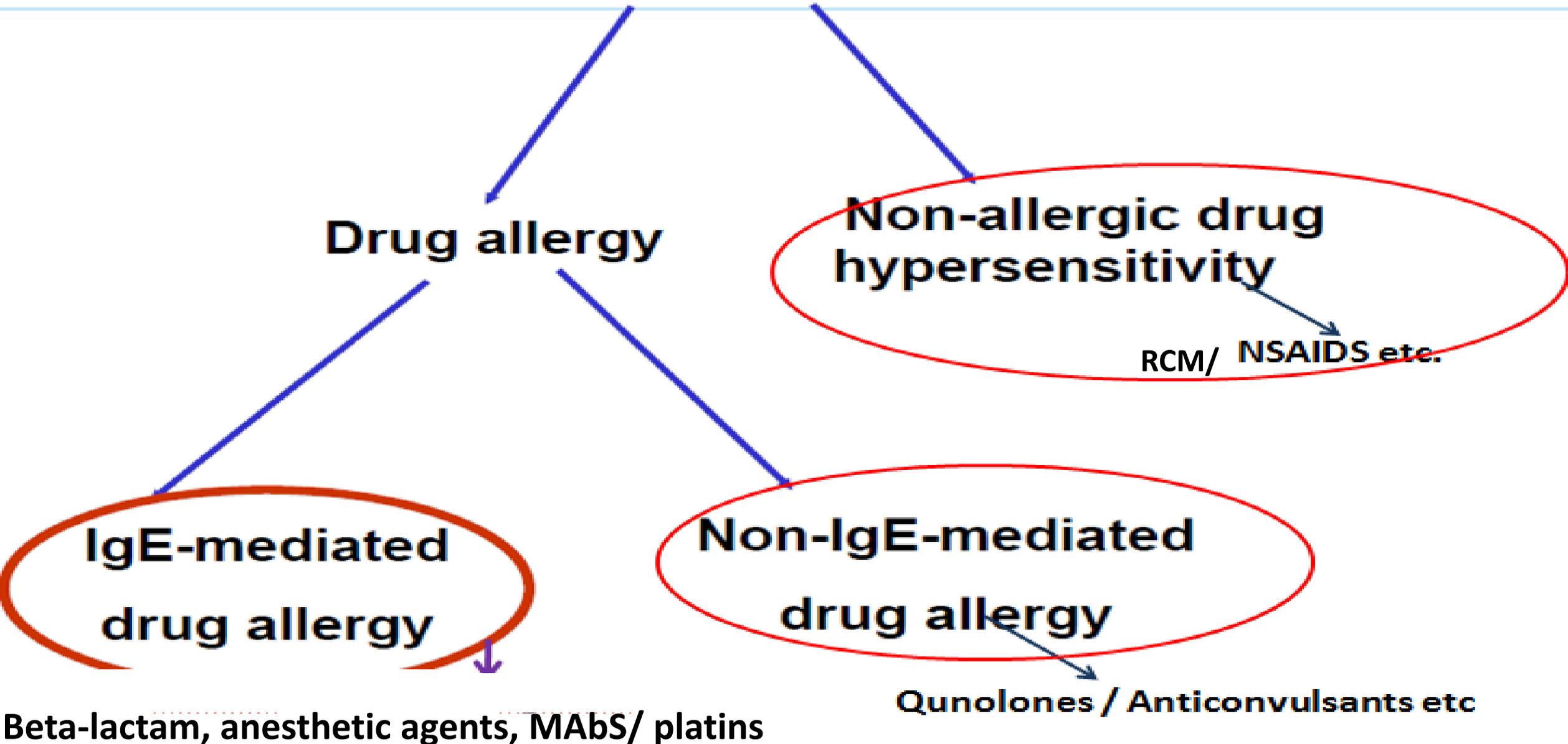
Dissection of drug hypersensitivity reactions based on the mode of action of drugs



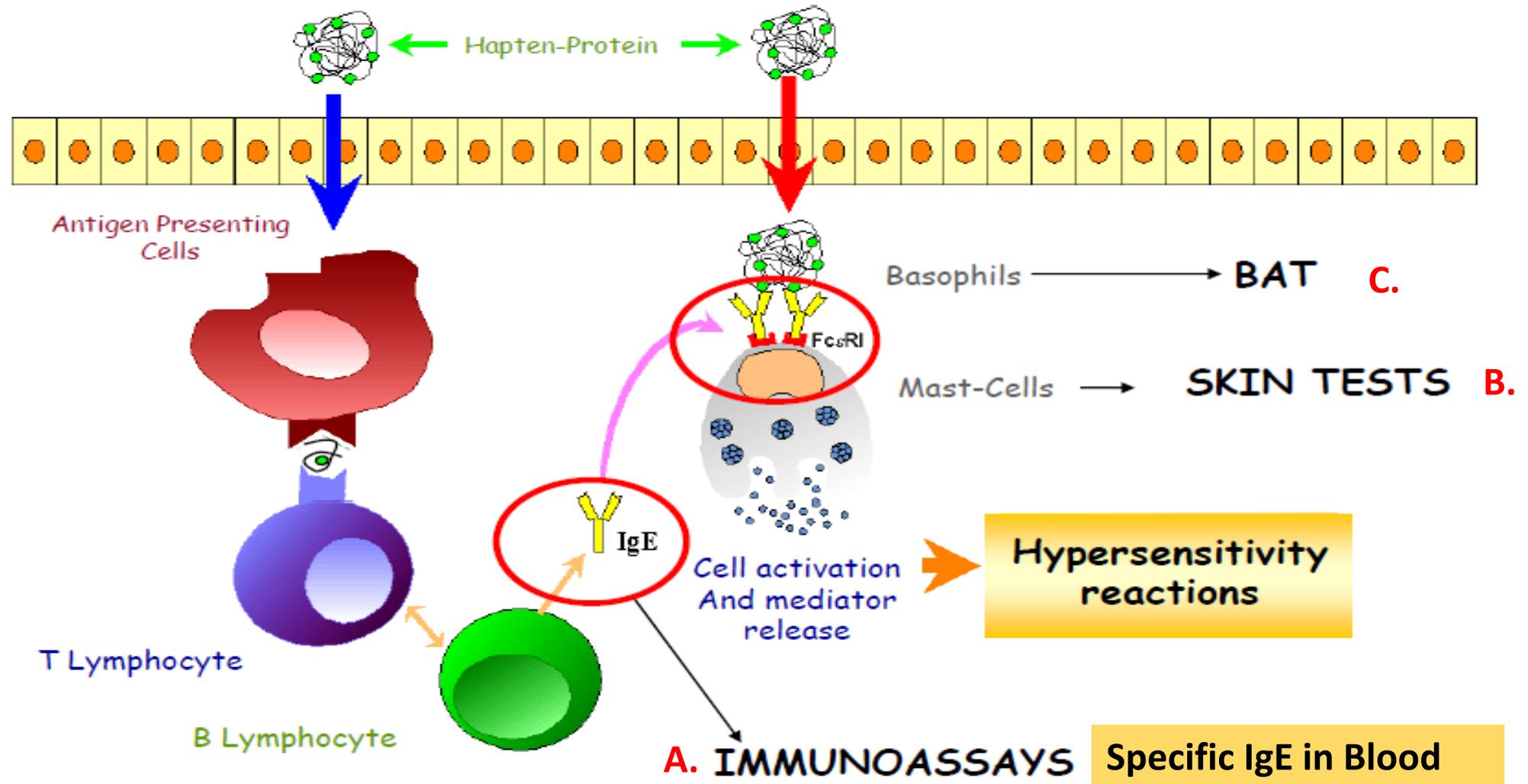
International consensus (ICON) on drug allergy



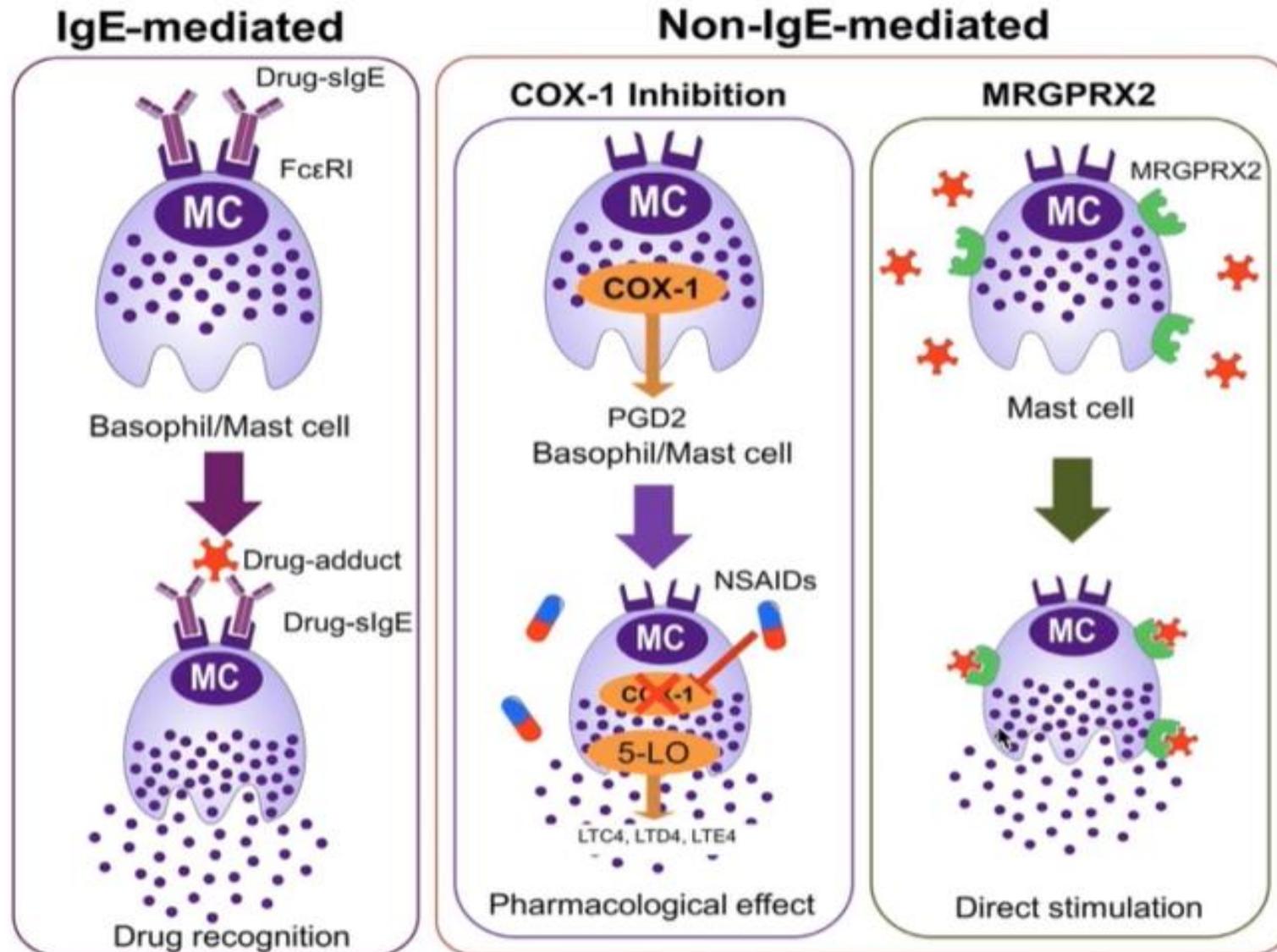
Drug hypersensitivity - nomenclature



IgE - mediated IMMEDIATE REACTIONS

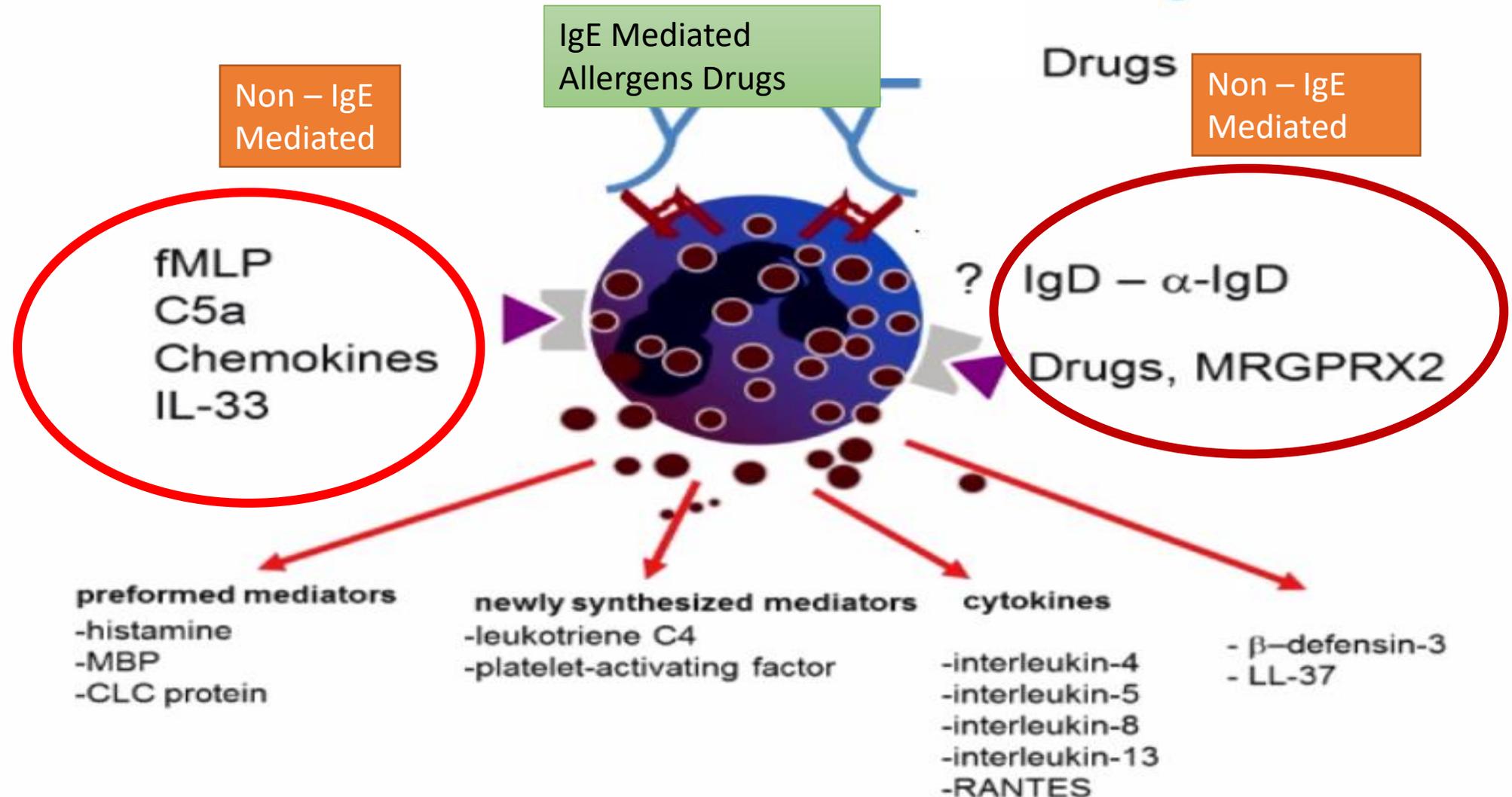


Immediate-onset DHR Mechanisms



Immediate reaction

Activation of human basophils/mast cells



Phenotypes and endotypes in drug allergy

(IgE/non-IgE+cox-1 inhib)

T-cell & HLA marker

Phenotype

Immediate

Delayed

IgE mediated epitope specific

Direct mast cell/
basophile activation

COX1
Inhibition

Single organ
involved

Multiple organs
involved/Systemic

1st exposure

Several exposure

Complement activation

MegpX2
(human G-protein coupled receptor)

Leukotriase pathway

T cell specific
Toxic metabolites

T cell specific
Heterologous immunity
HLA haplotypes

Cross-reactivity
mAb (Ceoxima
alpha -Gal)
Tarunes - Pollen

Antibiotics
Platins

Contrast media
Oversultated
chendeoitin
sulfate
constammirutesd
heparin

Drugs containing
THX motds
Quindones
Neuromuscular
blocking agents
Lactibant

NSAID
Hypersensitivity

Macul-apapular
rash

Severe coetaneous
adverse
Reaction (SCAR)
•DRESS
•AGEP
•Sjs/TEN

Endotype

IgE mediated
mast cell activation

Non IgE mediated
mast cell activation

AERD/AECD

T cell mediated

HLA associated drug-
hypersensitivity reactions

Biomarkers

Skin Testing, Specific IgE BATs Mediators ,
Tryptase, Histamine, Cytokines
Prostaglandins, Leukotrienes

Patch Testing
Lymphocyte
transformation test
Granulysin, persorin &
granzymes (SJS/ TEN)

Viral Titers HHV6, HHP7, EBV (Drug syndrome)
✓Pharma cogenomics screening
✓HLA- B15-02 Carbamazepine SJS
✓HLA-B31-01 Carbamazepine SJS
✓HLA B57-01 Abacavir hypersensitivity
syndrome

Gell & Coomb's Classification

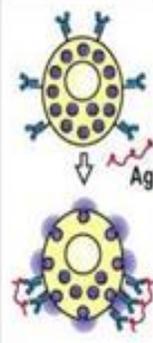
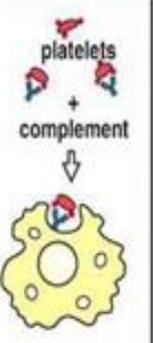
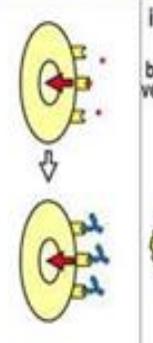
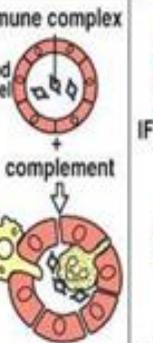
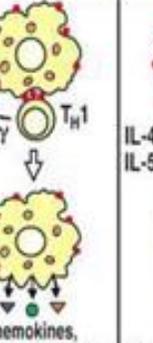
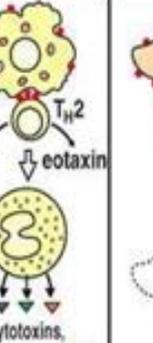
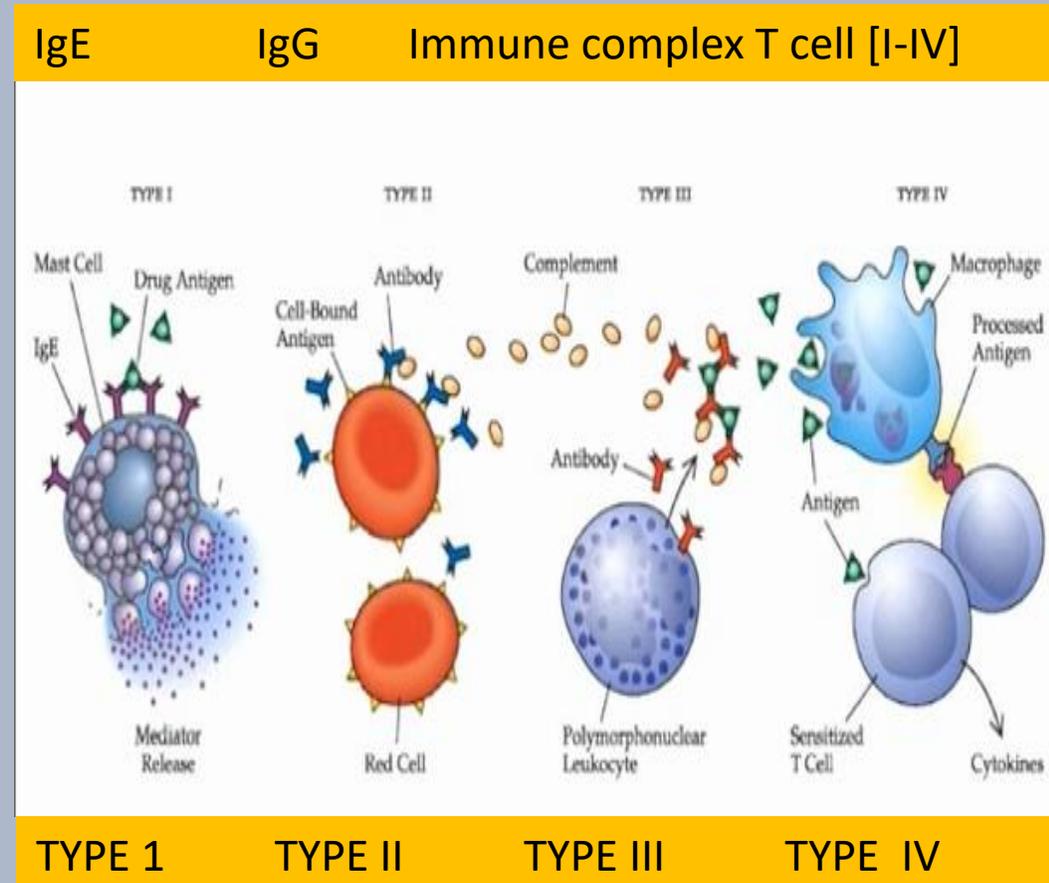
	Type I	Type II	Type III	Type IV		
Immune reactant	IgE	IgG	IgG	T _H 1 cells	T _H 2 cells	CTL
Antigen	Soluble antigen	Cell- or matrix-associated antigen	Cell-surface receptor	Soluble antigen	Soluble antigen	Cell-associated antigen
Effector mechanism	Mast-cell activation	Complement, FcR ⁺ cells (phagocytes, NK cells)	Antibody alters signaling	Complement, Phagocytes	Macrophage activation	IgE production, Eosinophil activation, Mastocytosis
						
Example of hypersensitivity reaction	Allergic rhinitis, asthma, systemic anaphylaxis	Some drug allergies (eg, penicillin)	Chronic urticaria (antibody against FCεR1α)	Serum sickness, Arthus reaction	Contact dermatitis, tuberculin reaction	Chronic asthma, chronic allergic rhinitis

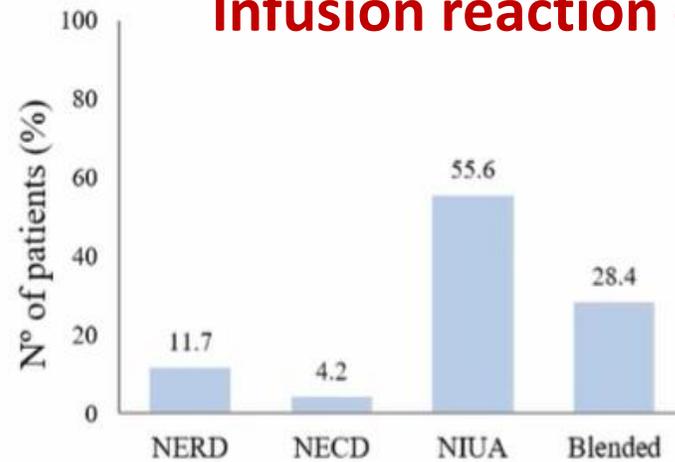
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Infusion reaction or cytokine storm due Cytotoxic T Cells ag Mabs ?

One classification does not fit all

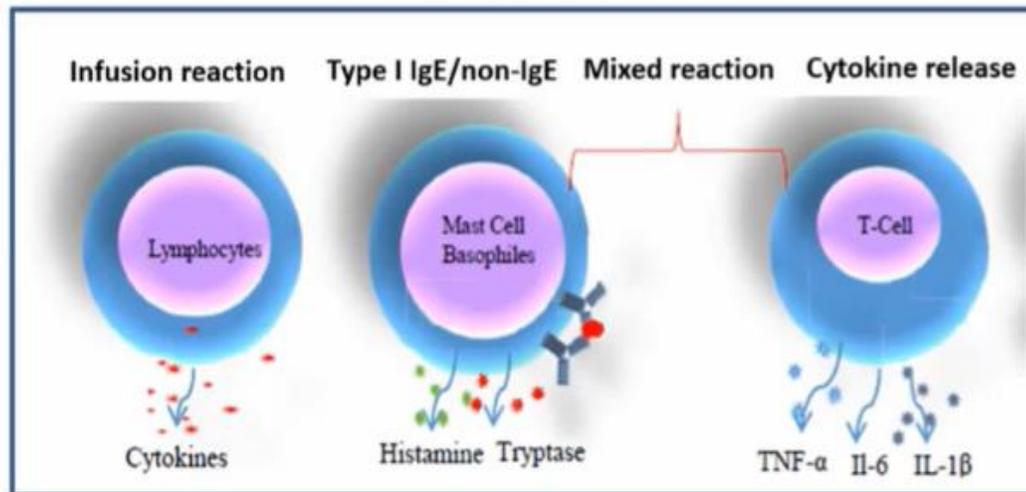
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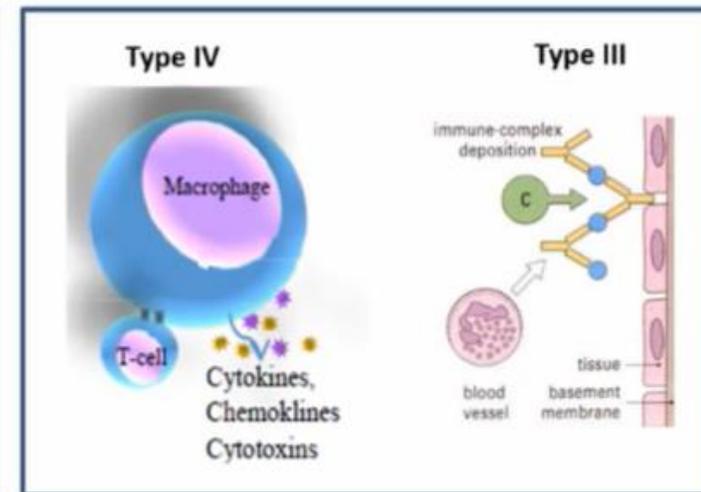
Blended reactions are characterised by mixed patterns of clinical entities affecting at least two organs

Doña I. Scientific Reports 2018

Immediate (<1h)



Non-immediate (>1h)



Flushing, Puritus, Urticaria, Throat tightness, Shortness of Breath, Back Pain, Nausea & Vomiting

MAST CELLS

T-CELLS

FEVER, CHILLS & PAINS (CYTOKINE-STROM)

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Drug Hypersensitivity/Anaphylaxis

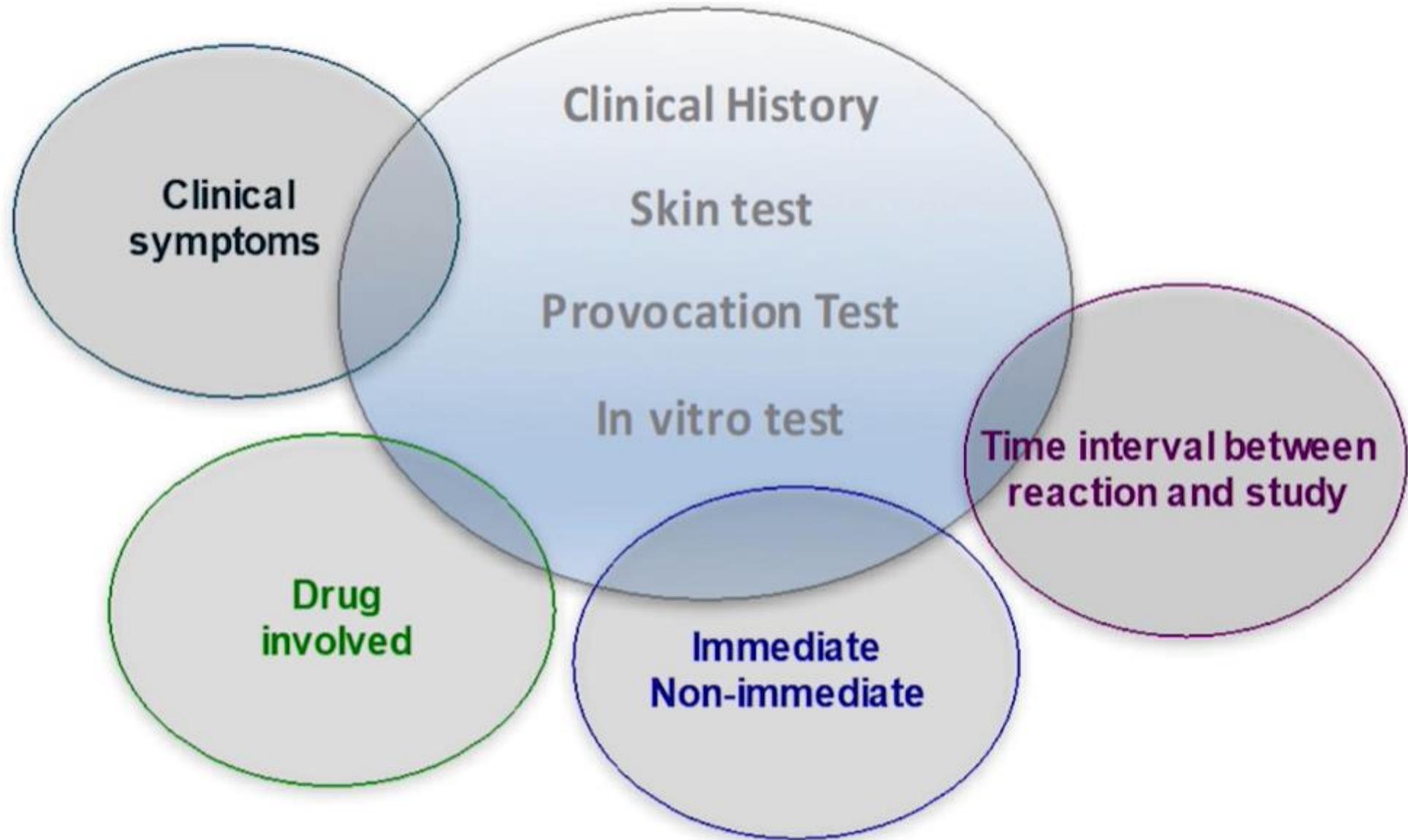
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Triggers	Environmental Allergens Food Allergens Antibiotics Chemotherapy Monoclonal Antibodies Other Drugs Hymenoptera Venom	Chemotherapy Monoclonal Antibodies	Chemotherapy Monoclonal Antibodies	Contrast Dyes Oversulfated chondroitin sulfate Glycosaminoglycans Dialysis Membranes
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Phenotype	Type I IgE/non-IgE	Cytokine-release	Mixed	Complement
Endotypes				
Biomarkers	Histamine, Tryptase	TNF- α , IL-6, IL-1 β	TNF- α , IL-6, IL-1 β , Histamine, Tryptase	Histamine, Tryptase
Symptoms	Flushing, Pruritis, Urticaria, Throat Tightness, Shortness of Breath, Back Pain, Nausea, Vomiting, Diarrhea, Cardio Vascular Collapse	Fever+Chills/Rigors, Nausea, Pain, Headache, Hypotension, Oxygen desaturation	Fever+Chills/Rigors, Nausea, Pain, Headache, Flushing, Pruritis, Rash, Urticaria, Throat Tightness, Shortness of Breath, Nausea, Vomiting, Diarrhea, Cardio Vascular Collapse	Hypotension Oxygen desaturation
Treatment	Epinephrine			
Desensitization	Yes	Selected Cases	Selected Cases	No

Mast Cell Degranulation & cytokine strom due Cytotoxic T Cells ag Mabs ?

Drug allergy diagnosis



Which ones do you choose as allergological work-up?

IgE and non IgE-ALLERGIC

A. Clinical history
Skin prick test
Intradermal test
Patch test
OPT with the culprit drug

Past h/o anaphylaxis



B. Clinical history
Skin prick test
Intradermal test
Patch test
In VITRO TEST
OPT with the culprit drug

Present h/o anaphylaxis

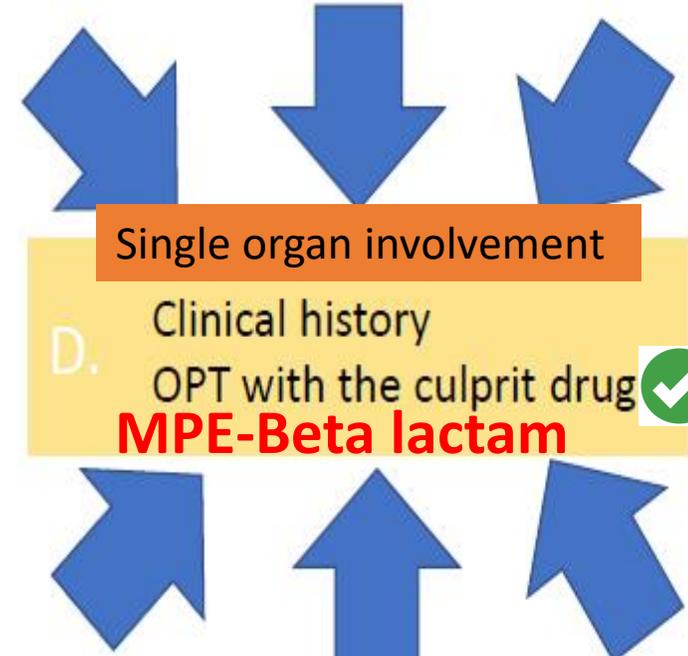


Systemic Cutaneous Adverse Reaction (SCAR)/IgG/IgM/Immune-complex

C. Clinical history
OPT with alternative drug



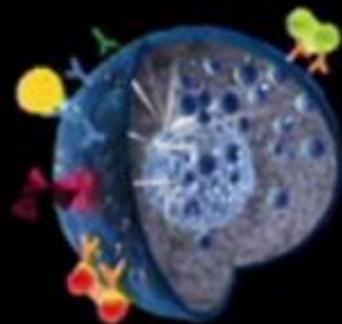
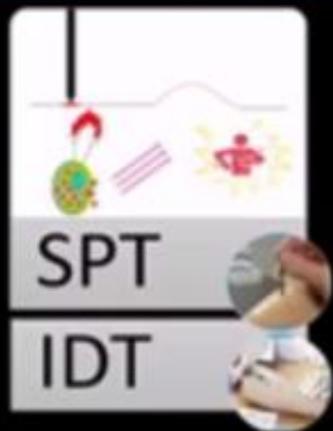
PSEUDO-ALLERGIC-NSAIDs



CLINICAL HISTORY



IN VIVO TESTS



IN VITRO TESTS



DPT

Allergy Work-up

ALLERGY WORK-UP

Patient Name: _____ Date: _____

Age: _____ Sex: _____

Referring Physician: _____

Chief Complaint: _____

History of Present Illness: _____

History of Past Illness: _____

Family History: _____

Physical Examination: _____

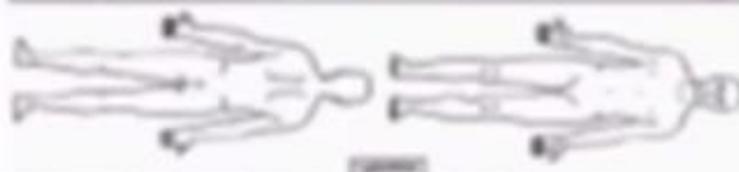
Review of Systems: _____

Diagnosis: _____

Management Plan: _____

Test Results: _____

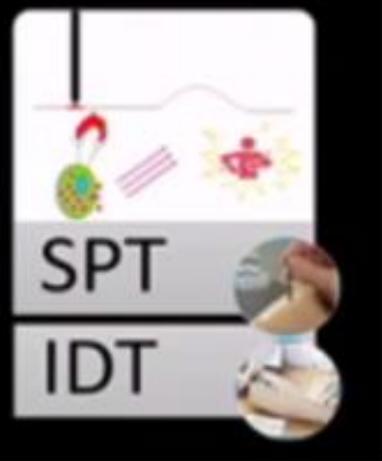
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IN VIVO TESTS



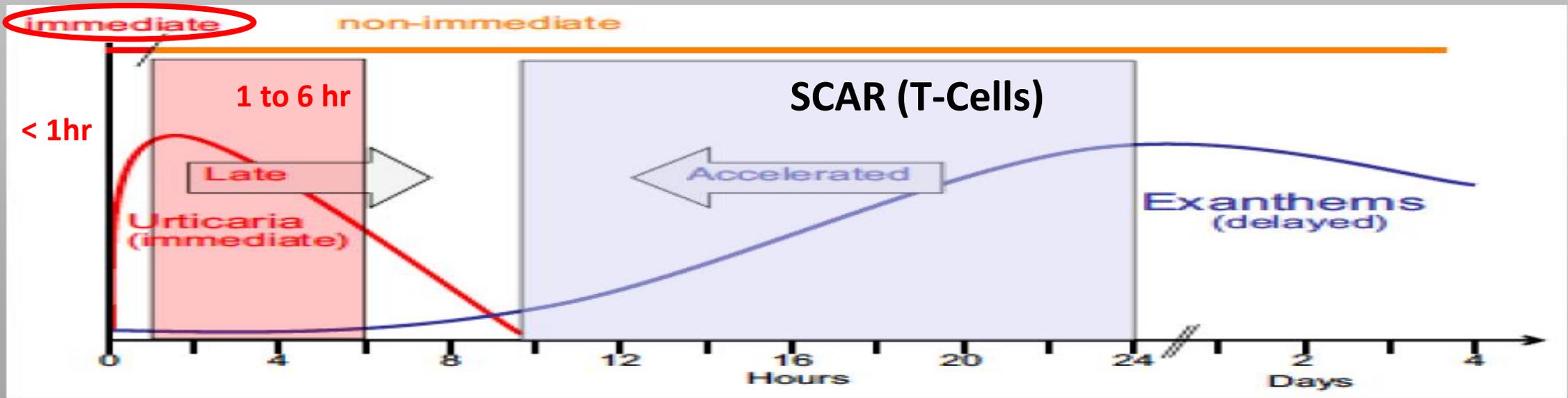
DPT



IN VITRO TESTS



Time course of allergic reactions



Clinical Phenotypes In Drug Allergy

Immediate-onset drug allergy

1–6 h of exposure to a drug, and present with cutaneous (e.g., flushing, pruritus, urticaria, angioedema), respiratory, and/or gastrointestinal symptoms, and anaphylaxis

→ Anaphylaxis and anaphylactic shock

Delayed-onset drug allergy

- Reaction usually occurs than 1 hour, mostly 24 hours or even weeks, after drug intake
- Heterogeneous clinical manifestations:
 - (1) isolated, single-organ involvement
 - (2) systemic, multi-organ involvement.
- Cutaneous reactions are the most common with numerous clinical phenotypes (MPE, FDE, urticaria, angioedema)

→ SCARs which include Steven Johnson Syndrome and Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis

Immediate

Non-immediate

Non-immediate
suspected serious

Time-scale from first administration

< 1 hour

> 1 hour

> 6 hour to days

Possible associated symptoms & signs

Urticaria, angio-oedema, airway & systemic compromise

Maculopapular exanthema

Lymph node, joint, mucous membrane involvement, bullae, cytopenia, hepatitis, nephritis & vasculitis

Specific syndromes include

* IgE-mediated anaphylaxis

* Fixed drug eruption, non-bullous

Drug Rash with Eosinophilia and Systemic Symptoms

* Non-IgE-mediated anaphylactoid reactions

* Erythema multiforme

* Acute Generalised Exanthematous Pustolosis

* Serum Sickness Syndrome

* Drug-induced dermatoses (eg lupus spectrum)

Stevens Johnson Syndrome & # Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis

ALLERGY WORK-UP

DIAGNOSTIC

	Immediate testing 15 min to 1 hr	4-6 weeks after
(Histamine)		
Tryptase		
sIgE		
Skin tests		

± Drug provocation tests as needed

- Serum tryptase

- At time of reaction (15 min-3 hrs after reaction)
- Baseline level (minimum 24 hrs after reaction)
- New algorithm: Reaction tryptase > Baseline tryptase x 1.2 + 2

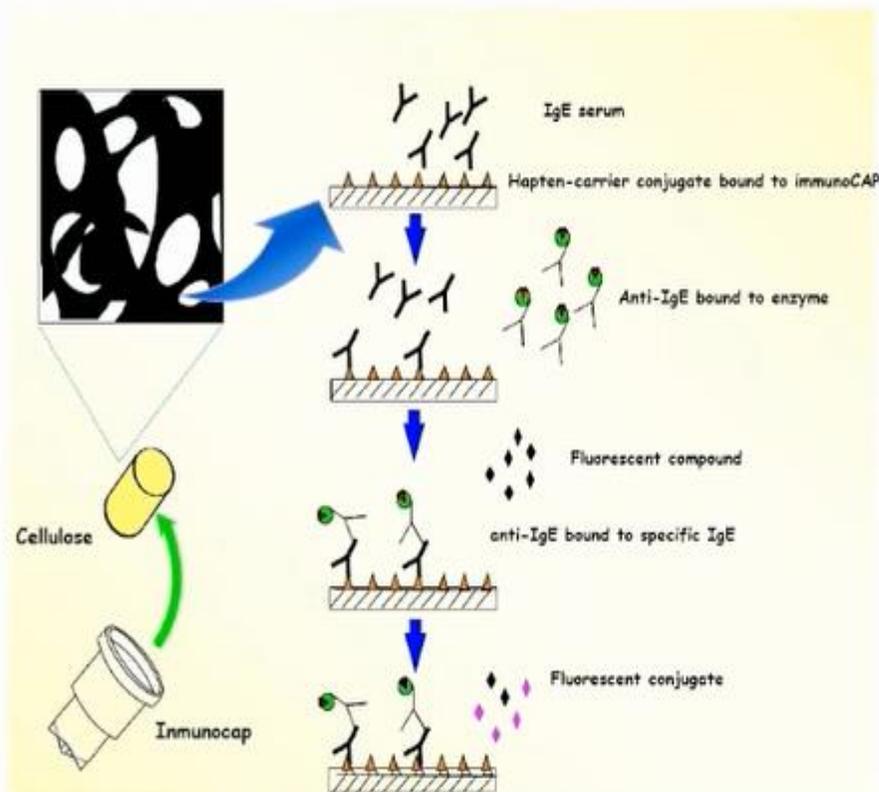
- In vitro tests

- Allergen specific IgE
- Basophil histamine release/(BAT)

- In vivo tests

- Skin prick test
- Intradermal test
- Drug provocation (iv, sc, po)

In vitro tests to evaluate IgE mediated reactions

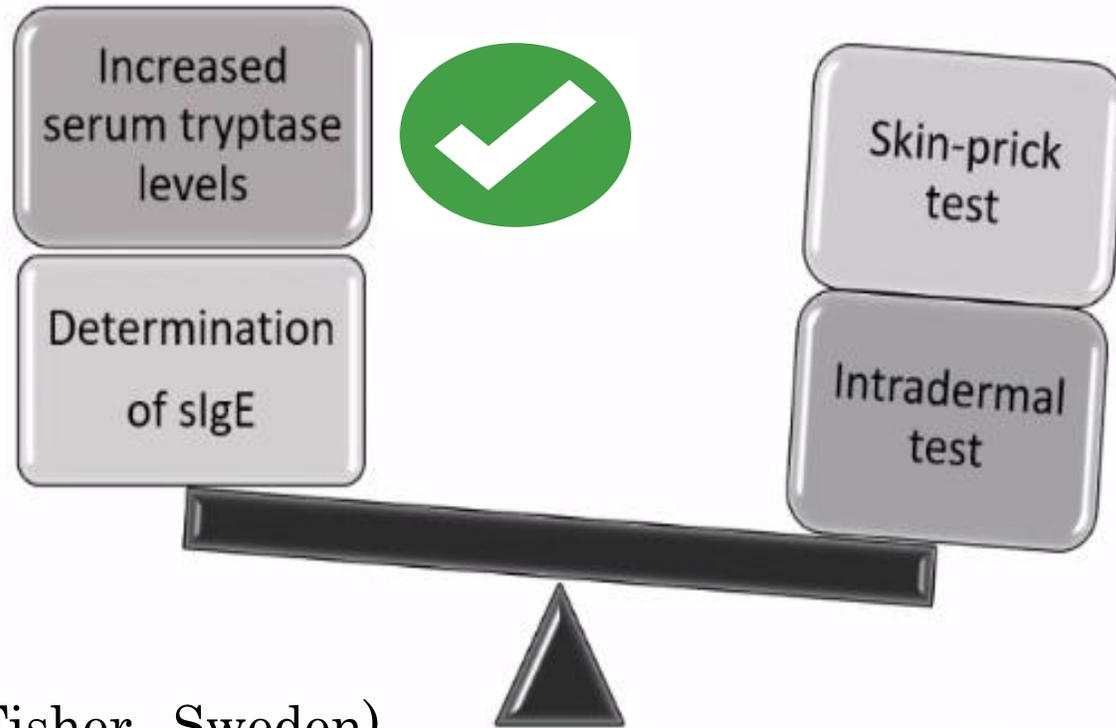


ImmunoCAP

Cut-off	Penicillin sIgE (PG and/or AX sIgE)			
	Sens (SPAIN)	Sens (ITALY)	p	Specif
sIgE ≥0.1 kUA/L	39.57% (N=139)	52.40% (N=250)	0.019	68.75% (N = 32)
sIgE ≥0.35 kUA/L	15.83% (N=139)	32.40% (N=250)	0.000	93.75% (N = 32)
sIgE/tl gE ≥0.002	13.67% (N=139)	35.66% (N=244)	0.000	81.25% (N = 32)

Diagnostic tests for general anesthetic agent hypersensitivity

Pholcodine
Morphine
Chlorhexidine
Suxamethonium
Penicilloyl V
Penicilloyl G
Insulin porcine
Insulin human
Insulin bovine
Gelatin
Cefaclor
Ampicilloyl
Amoxicilloyl



ImmunoCAP (Thermo-Fisher, Sweden)

Sensitivities and predictive values of skin tests are high

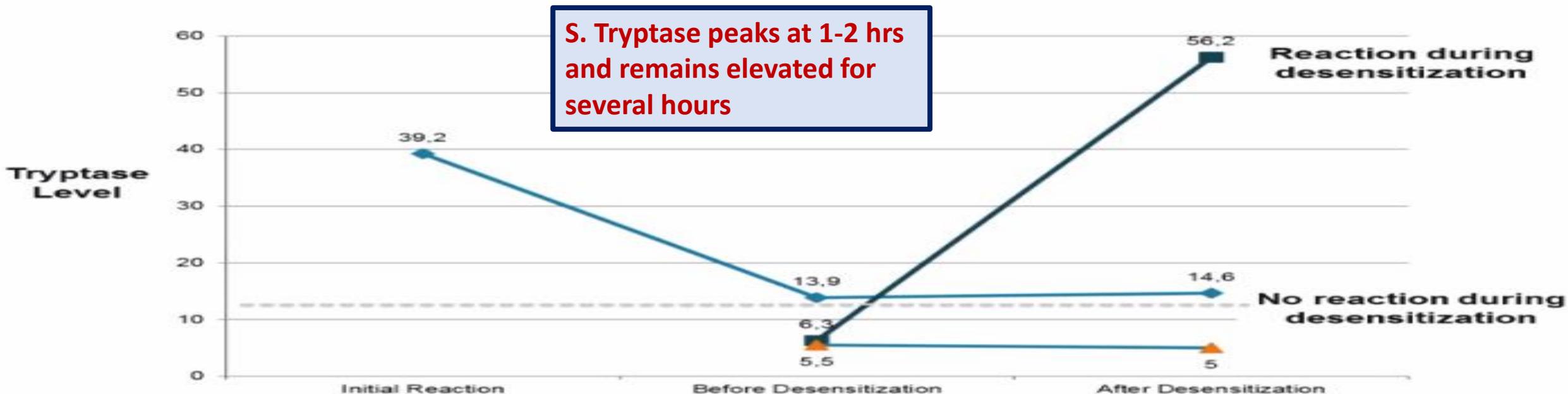
Tryptase measurement

>25 microg/L-
Diagnostic of IgE
mediated reaction

Thresholds for « increase »

- ☑ **< 11.4 microg/L** (commercial kit) : 95% of healthy individuals are below
- ☑ **> 25 microg/L** (SFAR / SFA) : 95% specificity for IgE-mediated reactions
- ☑ **> 1.2 x basal tryptase level + 2 microg/L**

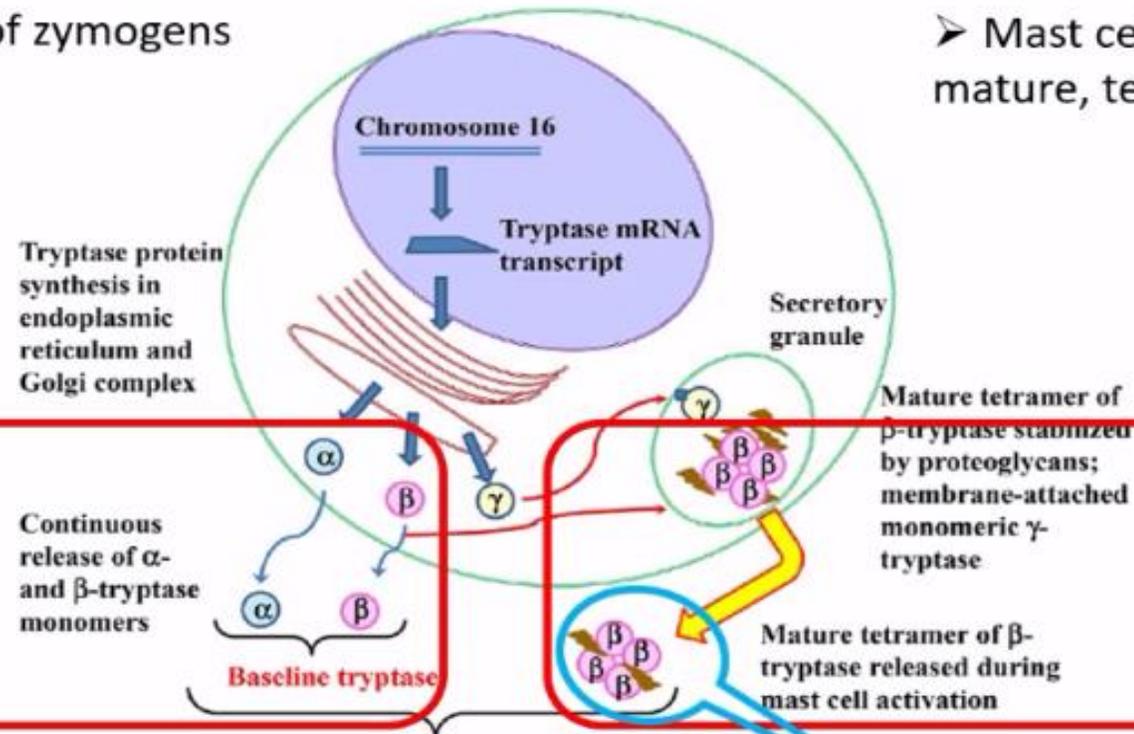
Tryptase: a marker of mast cell activation



Tryptase determination as a complementary criterion for the diagnosis of perioperative anaphylaxis

➤ Baseline: continuous release of zymogens (alpha, beta protryptases)

➤ Mast cell activation: granule release of mature, tetrameric tryptase



MASTOCYTOSIS, CLONAL MAST CELL DISORDERS, ALPHA-TRYPTASEMIA

ANAPHYLAXIS

TOTAL SERUM TRYPTASE (commercial IVD methods)

MATURE TRYPTASE ASSAY (Virginia Commonwealth Univ, Pr LB Schwartz Lab)

Placing in vitro tests in the diagnosis

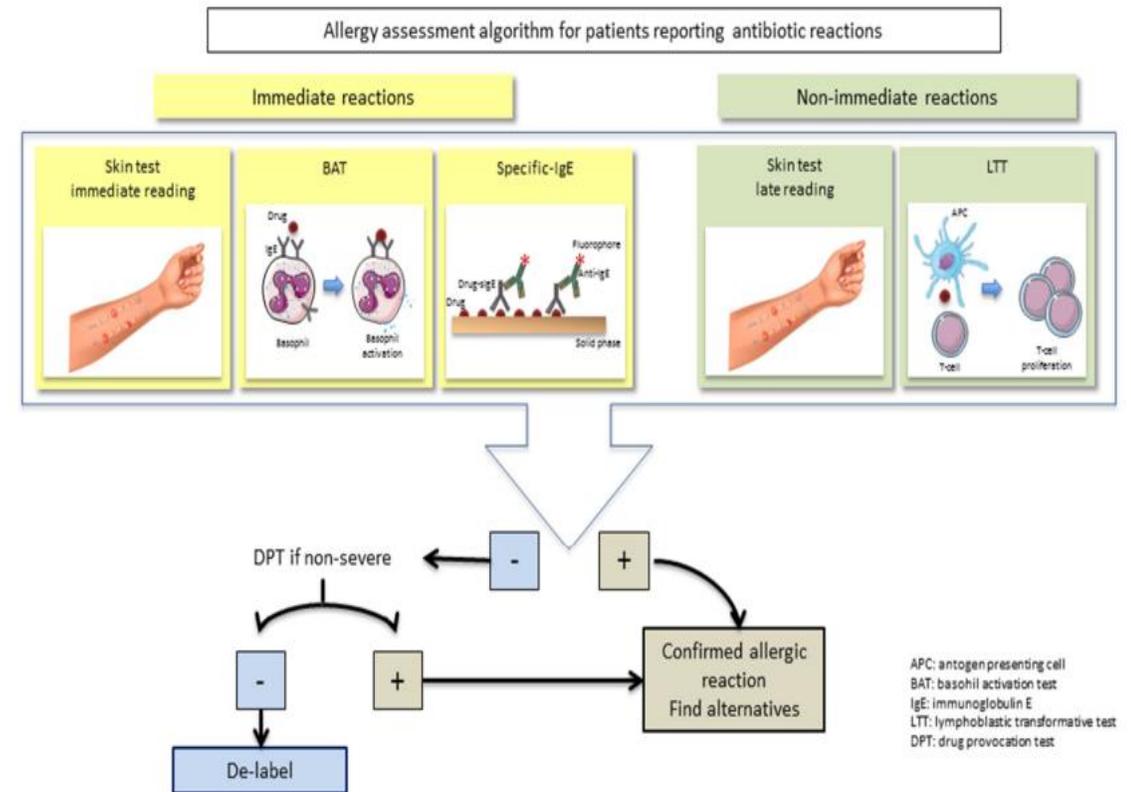
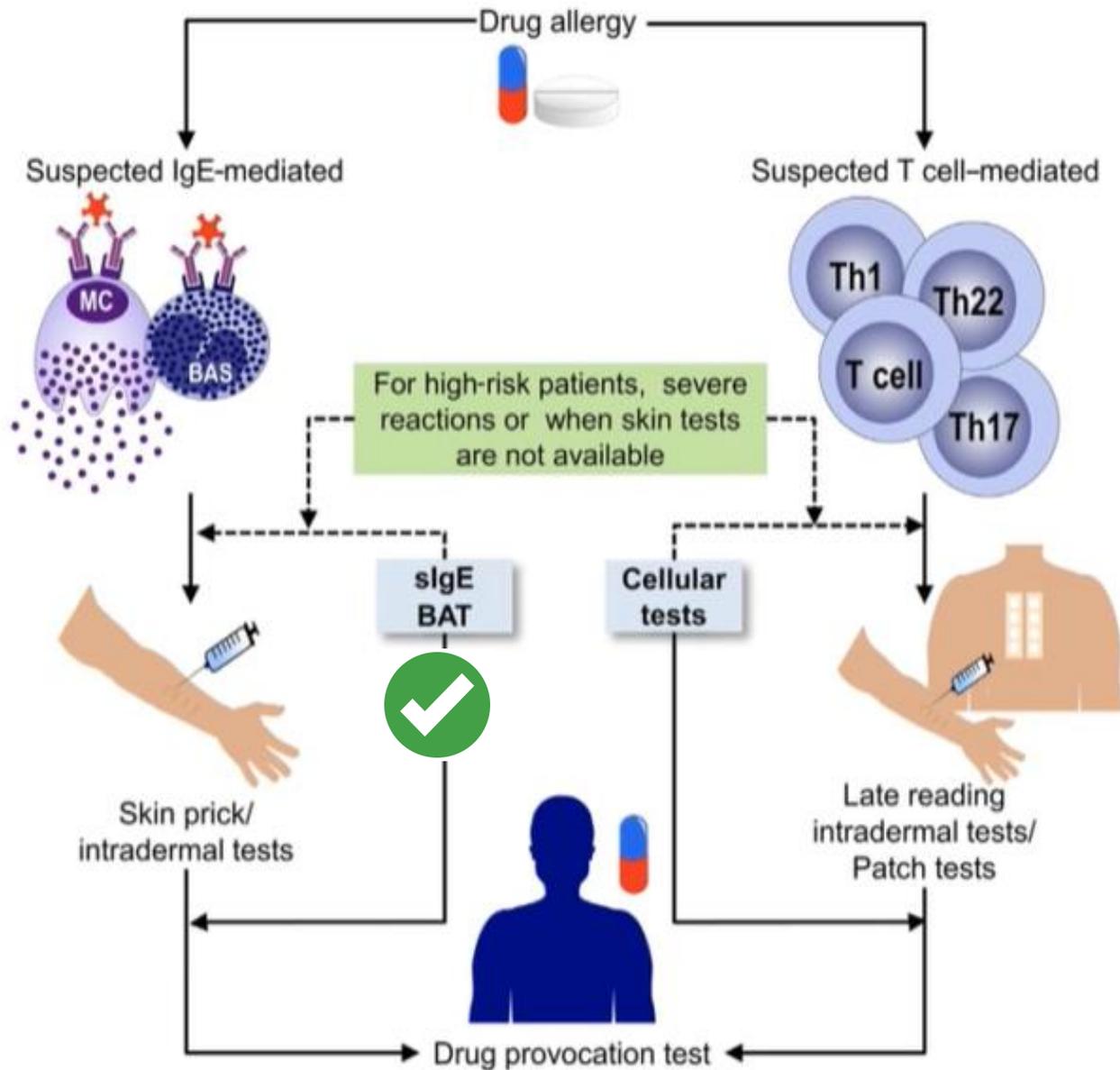
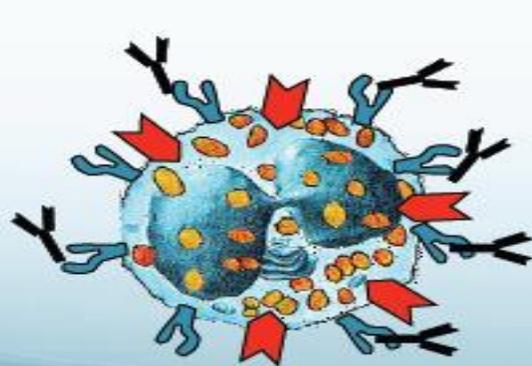
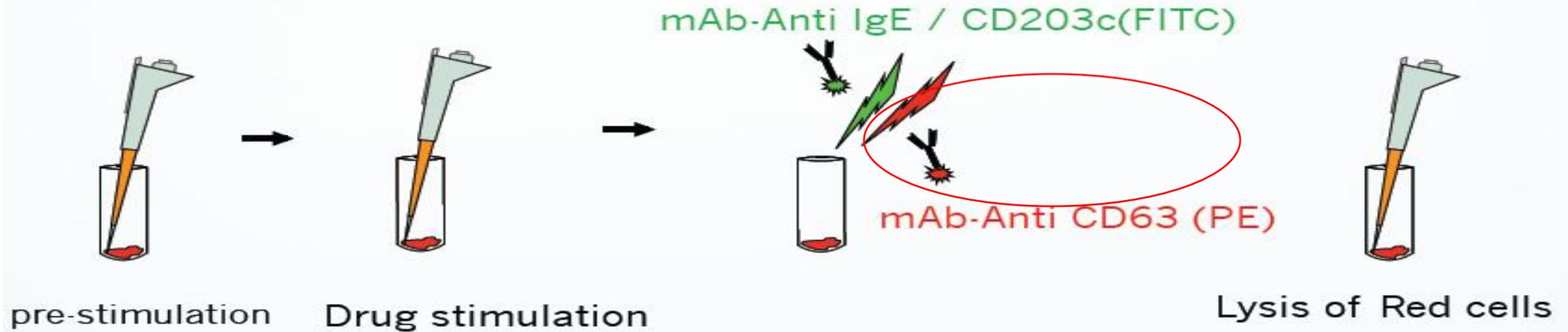


Figure 2. Algorithm for evaluating suspicion of allergic reactions to antibiotics.

Diagnostic Biomarkers in IgE mediated reactions Low sensitivity but high specificity

In- vitro Basophile Activation Tests

BAT protocol for flow cytometry



In- vitro Basophile Activation Tests

- Based on flow cytometry and measuring activation markers (CD63 and CD203c)
- For inject able drugs and mimics *in-vivo* response

Sensitivity

40 – 60 % depending on the drug

Specificity

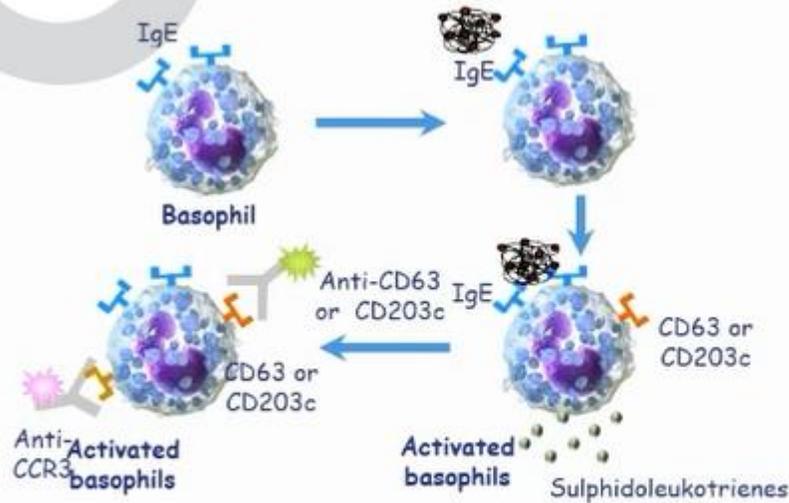
85 – 100%

Drug	Sensitivity
Penicillin	22-55%
Clavulanic acid	53%
Rocuronium	92%
NMBA	64-85%
Fluoroquinolones	36-71%

- At present no standardised approach and variations between laboratories

In vitro tests to evaluate IgE mediated reactions

Basophil activation test



Sensitivity [51.7%] & NPV 50.0%]- Poor
Specificity [89.2%] & PPV [90.5%]- Good

Paper	Patients	Drugs	Diagnosis	Sens	Spec	NPV	PPV
Sanz 2002	58 Pat 30 Cont	PG, AX, AMP, CEFU, CEFAZ	ST	50	93.3	49.1	93.5
Torres 2004	70 Pat 40 Cont	PG, AX, AMP, CEFs	ST, DPT	48.6	93	50.8	92.4
Abuaf 2008	27 Pat 14 Cont	AX, AMP, CEFU	ST	63	79	52.5	85.2
De Weck 2009	178 Pat 81 Cont	BP, AX, AMP, CEFs	ST, DPT	48.3	88.9	43.8	90.5
Torres 2010	55 Pat 30 Cont	PG, AX, AX-CLV, CLV	ST	52.7	90	50.9	90.6
Eberlein 2010	24 Pat 15 Cont	PG, PV, AMP, AX, CEFU	ST	55	80	52.6	81.5
Sanchez-Morillas 2010	9 Pat 5 Cont	CLV	ST, DPT	44.4	100	49.9	100
MEAN VALUES				51.7	89.2	50.0	90.5

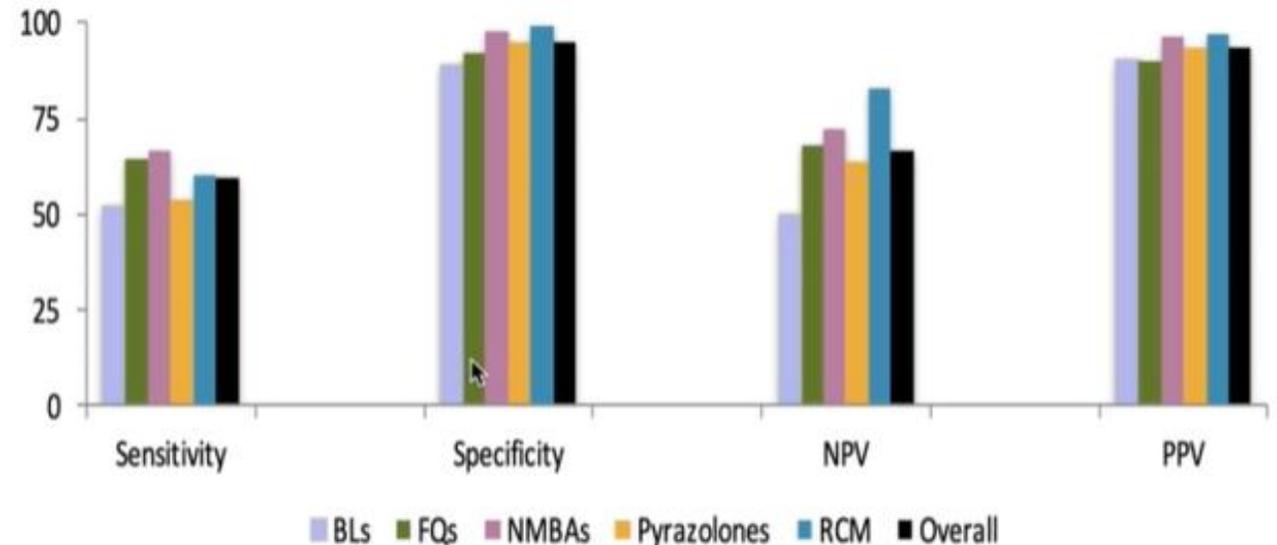
Diagnostic Biomarkers in IgE mediated reactions Low sensitivity but high specificity

ImmunoCAP

	Blanca M Allergy 2001	Sanz ML CEA 2002
Sensitivity	54%	38%
Specificity	95%	87%

- Cut off point 0.35 kUA/l or 0.1 kUA/l??
- False positive with penicillin V
- It is recommended for diagnosing BLs, NMBAs, chlorhexidine, and cetuximab DHR.

Basophil Activation Test



BAT is not useful for cross-intolerant reactions to NSAIDs

Vultaggio A, Clin Exp Allergy 2009

Johansson SGO. J Allergy Clin Immunol 2013

Hoffmann HJ et al. Allergy 2015

Ariza A. Cytometry Part A 2014

How to perform skin tests

Standard procedures, trained staff, and 4-6 weeks after the reaction



Immediate reactions:

Within 1 hour

SPT is the initial screening due to its simplicity, rapidity, low cost, and high specificity

IDT are undertaken when SPT are negative, and compared to SPT, they provide an enhanced sensitivity. They should be performed with the intravenously injectable form of the drug whenever possible

Nonimmediate reactions:

> 6 hours

PT and/or late-reading IDT should be performed

Prick test

Intradermal tests

PT/ Late reading IDST

Demoly P et al. Allergy 2014



Skin test methods

- » Drug-free intervals
- ▶ H1-antihistamines 5 days
 - ▶ β -adrenergic drugs 5 days
 - ▶ Glucocorticosteroids

Long-term	oral, i.v.	3 weeks
Short-term, high dose	oral, i.v.	1 week
Short-term, <50 mg prednisolone	oral, i.v.	3 days
Topical	topical	> 2 weeks

	ENDA method*	
Time interval	6 weeks – 6 months	
Skin prick test		
Reading	20 min, (D1), D2, D3	
Positivity criteria	after 15-20 min: wheal > 3 mm + erythema	
	in late readings: Oedema + erythema	
Intradermal test		
Amount	0.02(-0.05) ml	oedema + erythema
Reading	20 min, (D1), D2, D3	
Positivity criteria	after 15-20 min: initial +5mm > +3 mm	
	in late readings: Oedema + erythema	
Patch test		
Reading	D2, D3, (D4)	
Positivity criteria	EECDRG criteria	



*K Brockow et al, Allergy 2002

Allergy work-up

□ Skin tests (prick and intradermal):

- BP-OL, MD, penicillin G
- Ampicillin, amoxicillin
- Cephalexin, cefaclor, cefazolin, cefadroxil, cefamandole, cefuroxime, ceftazidime, ceftriaxone, cefotaxime, ceftibuten, cefepime

□ Specific IgE assays:

Penicilloyl G, penicilloyl V, ampicilloyl, amoxicilloyl, cefaclor

□ Challenges:

Cefaclor, cefuroxime axetil, ceftriaxone, cefazolin, ceftibuten

Haptens and the highest concentrations recommended for prick and intradermal tests

HAPTEN	DOSE	UNIT
PPL	5×10^{-5}	mMol/l
MDM	2×10^{-2}	mMol/l
AMOXICILLIN	20	mg/ml
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BENZYL PENICILLIN	10,000	IU/ml
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CULPRIT DRUG		
• Cephalosporin	2	mg/ml
• Amoxicillin-clavulanic	20	mg/ml
• Ampicillin	20	mg/ml

Diagnosing IgE mediated Drug Allergy- Anaphylaxis

- ✓ Mechanism depends on reaction investigated.
 - (types I & IV demonstrated)
- ✓ Sterile commercially available preparations.
- ✓ Serial dilutions (1:1,1000 – 1:1). eg cephalosporin
- ✓ 2-20 mg / ml
- ☒ 0.02-0.1 (0.05) ml papule.
- ✓ Back > forearm > arm.
- ✓ Immediate & delayed reading advised (20 min & 24 h).
- ✓ Beware of false positive reactions!
- ✓ Always >20 negative non-allergic controls.

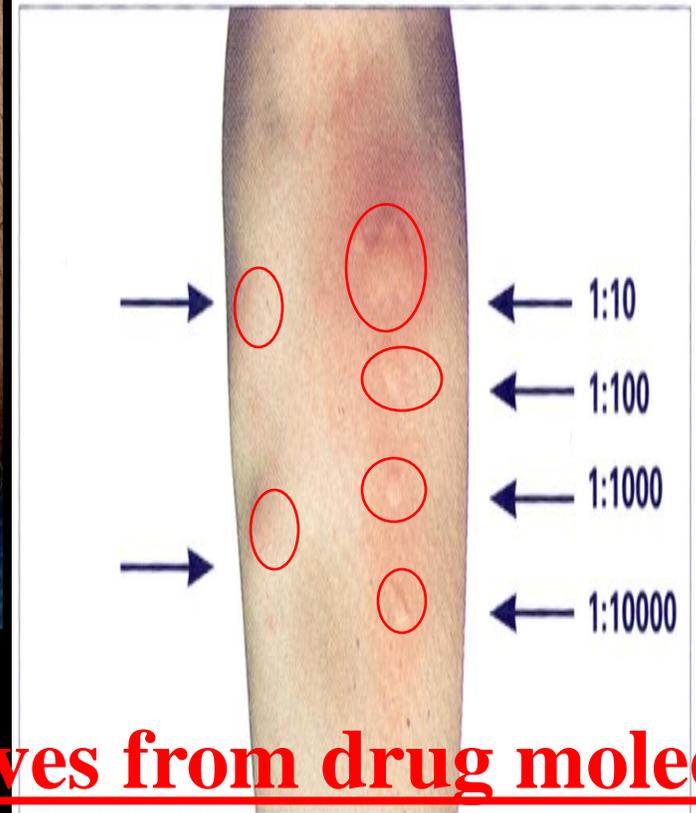
Intradermal Test (IDST)



Immediate and late skin reactions

late response
(at 5 hours)

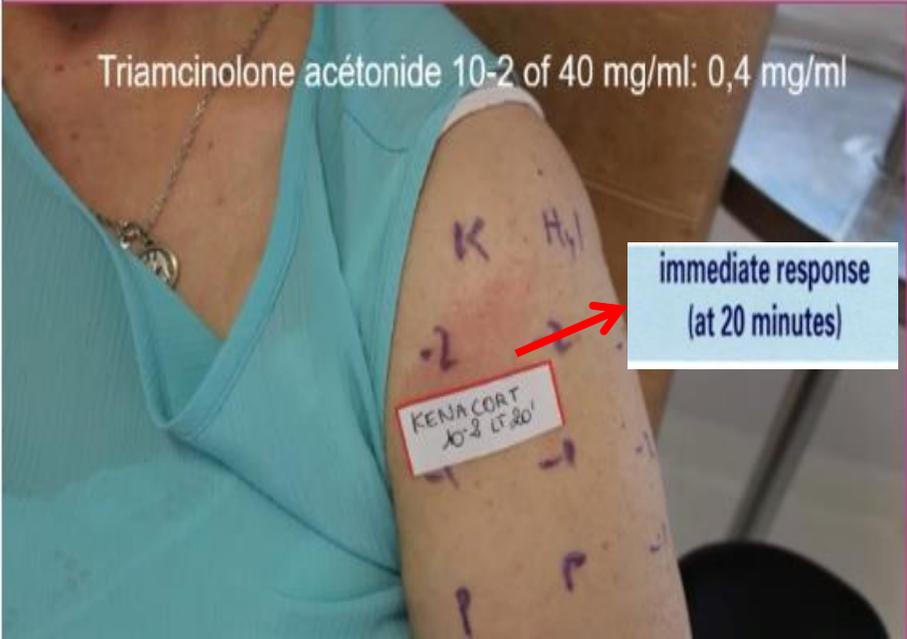
immediate response
(at 20 minutes)



Do Serial dilutions test to r/o preservatives from drug molecular

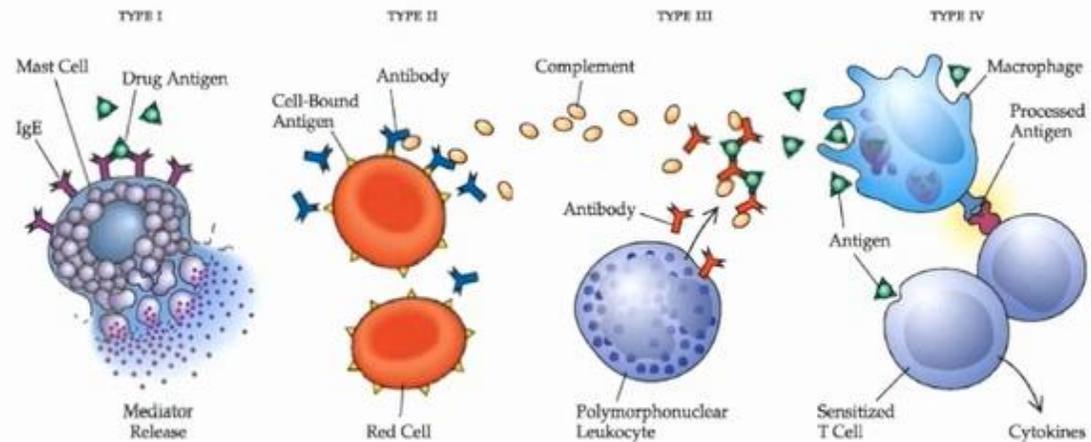
Intradermal tests

- Use only injectable forms
- Inject 0.02 ml
- At 20 mns, results must be recorded as follows:
Wi/W20E20
- Positive if $W20 > Wi + 3$ mms and a surrounding erythema

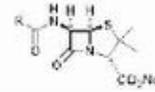


Clinical History

- 1 Drug involved
- 2 Clinical Symptoms
- 3 Time period drug administration-reaction

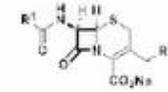


PENICILLINS



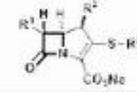
	Benzilpenicilina		Carbenicilina
	Amoxicilina		Ticarcilina
	Ampicilina		Dicloxacilina
	Penicilina V		Flucloxacilina
	Meticilina		Oxacilina
	Ciclacilina		Cloxacilina

CEPHALOSPORINS



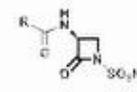
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	Cefalotina		Cefotaxima
	Cefalexina		Ceftuloxona
	Cefalopicitina		Cefepima
	Cefamandol		Cefodizima
	Cefonkid		Ceftazidima
	Cefadroxilo		
	Cefprozil		

CARBAPENEMS



	-H		Meropenem
	-CH ₃		Doripenem

MONOACTAMS



	Aztreonam
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CLAVAMS



	Clavulato potásico
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BSACI guidelines for the management of drug allergy

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Clinical and
Experimental
Allergy

Text box 1: Indications for investigating patients with penicillin allergy

1. Patients with a history of an allergic reaction when on multiple drugs, e.g. during GA
2. Patients allergic to multiple antibiotics
3. Patients with an absolute requirement for penicillin, e.g. those with central nervous system syphilis, immunodeficiency, post-splenectomy, or with cardiac valve disorders requiring prophylaxis.

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based but where evidence was lacking consensus was reached by the panel of specialists on the committee. The document encompasses epidemiology, risk factors, clinical patterns of drug allergy, diagnosis and treatment procedures. In order to achieve a correct diagnosis we have placed particular emphasis on obtaining an accurate clinical history and on the physical examination, as these are critical to the choice of skin tests and subsequent drug provocation. After the diagnosis of drug allergy has been established, communication of results and patient education are vital components of overall patient management.

Keywords aspirin, BSACI, classification of drug allergy, drug allergy, drug allergy investigations, drug challenge, drug desensitization, drug intradermal tests, drug patch tests, drug provocation, drug skin prick, general anaesthetic, guidelines, local anaesthetic, muscle relaxants, NSAID, penicillin, specific IgE drug testing, Standards of Care Committee, tryptase

Penicillin Hypersensitivity Pathway

Type II-IV HSR

Serum sickness

Stevens-Johnson Syndrome

Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis

Acute Interstitial Nephritis (AIN)

Drug Rash Eosinophilia Systemic Symptoms (DRESS) Syndrome

Systemic Cutaneous Adverse reactions

Drug Fever

Type I (IgE-mediated) HSR

Anaphylaxis

Angioedema

Anaphylaxis

Wheezing

Laryngeal edema

Hypotension

Hives/urticaria

OR

Unknown reaction WITHOUT mucosal involvement, skin desquamation or organ involvement

Mild reaction

Minor rash (not hives)

Maculopapular rash (mild Type IV HSR)

Record lists allergy, but patient denies

Maculo Papular Eruption



Avoid using PCN, cephalosporin, or carbapenem

Use alternative agents by microbial coverage†

Alternative Drugs

If clinical indication for a beta-lactam, please involve the Infectious Disease service and Allergy/Immunology, if available.

OK to:

Use 3rd/4th/5th generation cephalosporins or carbapenems* by **Test Dose Procedure**

OR

Use alternative agent by microbial coverage‡

Penicillin Skin Testing

Aztreonam*

OR

If a PCN or a 1st/2nd generation cephalosporin is preferred, PCN skin testing is indicated. Call/consult Allergy/Immunology, if available. If not available, desensitization may be considered.

OK to:

Use full dose 3rd/4th/5th generation cephalosporin

OR

Use penicillin or 1st/2nd generation cephalosporin by **Test Dose Procedure**

OR

Use carbapenem*

Oral Provocation Test

Cephalosporin Hypersensitivity Pathway

Type II/IV HSR

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Record lists allergy, but patient denies

Maculo Papular Eruption

Reaction to:

1st/2nd Generation

3rd/4th Generation



Avoid using PCN and cephalosporins

Use alternative agents by microbial coverage§

Alternative Drugs

If clinical indication for a PCN or cephalosporin, please involve the Infectious Disease service and Allergy/immunology, if available

OK to:

Administer 3rd/4th/5th-generation cephalosporin if dissimilar side chains by **Test Dose Procedure**

OR

Use alternative agents by microbial coverage§

OR
Penicillin Skin Testing

If a PCN or 1st/2nd generation cephalosporin is preferred, penicillin skin testing is indicated. call/consult Allergy/immunology, if available. If not available, desensitization may be considered.

OK to:

Administer PCN or cephalosporin if dissimilar side chains by **Test Dose Procedure**

OR

Use alternative agents by microbial coverage§

Cephalosporin Skin Test

OK to:

Use a cephalosporin with dissimilar side chains

OR

Administer PCN; the same cephalosporin, or cephalosporin with similar side chains by **Test Dose Procedure**

Oral Provocation Test

Use alternative agents by microbial coverage§

Correction to: Guideline for the diagnosis of drug hypersensitivity reactions

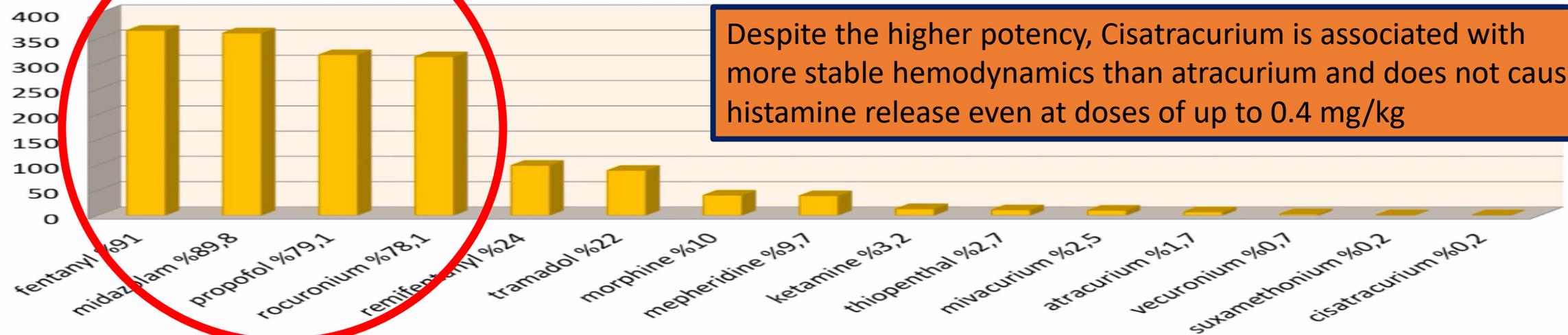
ENDA



- The **only** kit marketed with the major (BP-OL) and minor (MD) antigenic determinants of penicillin.
- **100%** specificity. 
- The **ENDA group** recommends the use of DAP-Penicillin for the diagnosis of immediate hypersensitivity.
- The ENDA group believes that **DAP-Penicillin and DAP-Amoxicillin** should always form part of the betalactam **hypersensitivity diagnosis**.

NMBA's- classification

The frequency of perioperative administration of drugs



Despite the higher potency, Cisatracurium is associated with more stable hemodynamics than atracurium and does not cause histamine release even at doses of up to 0.4 mg/kg

Depolarising

Suxamethonium

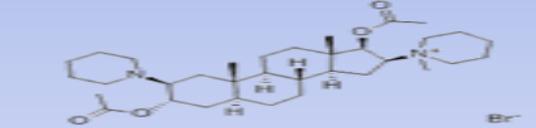


Amino-steroidal

Rocuronium



Vecuronium



Non-depolarising

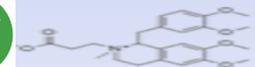
Mivacurium



Benzyloisoquinolines

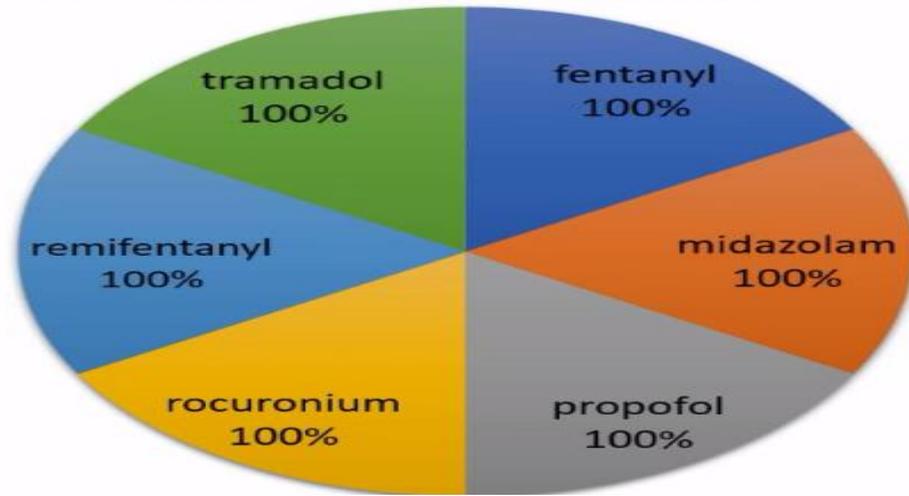
Atracurium

/ Cisatracurium

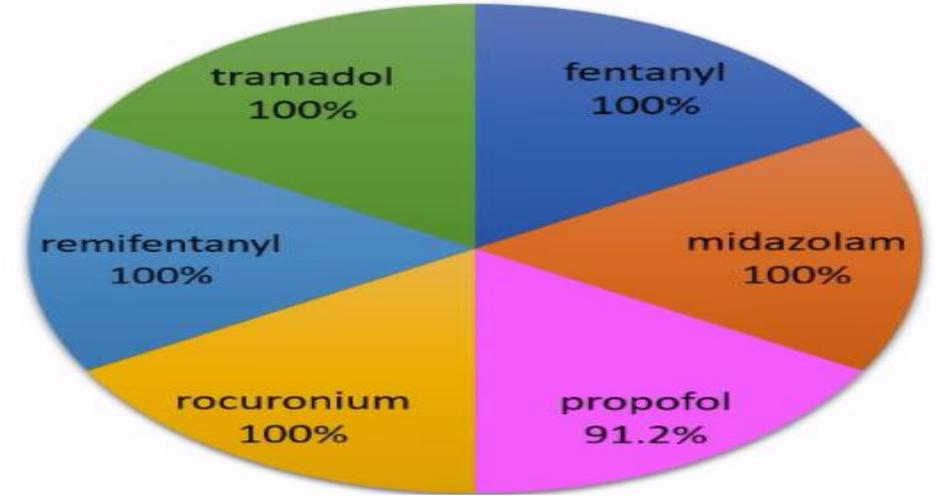


The negative predictive values (NPV) of skin tests for anesthetics

Patients with drug allergies

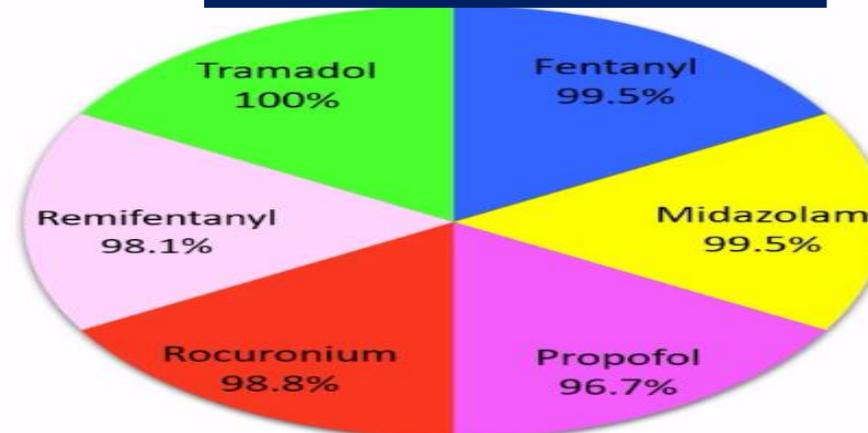


Atopic patients

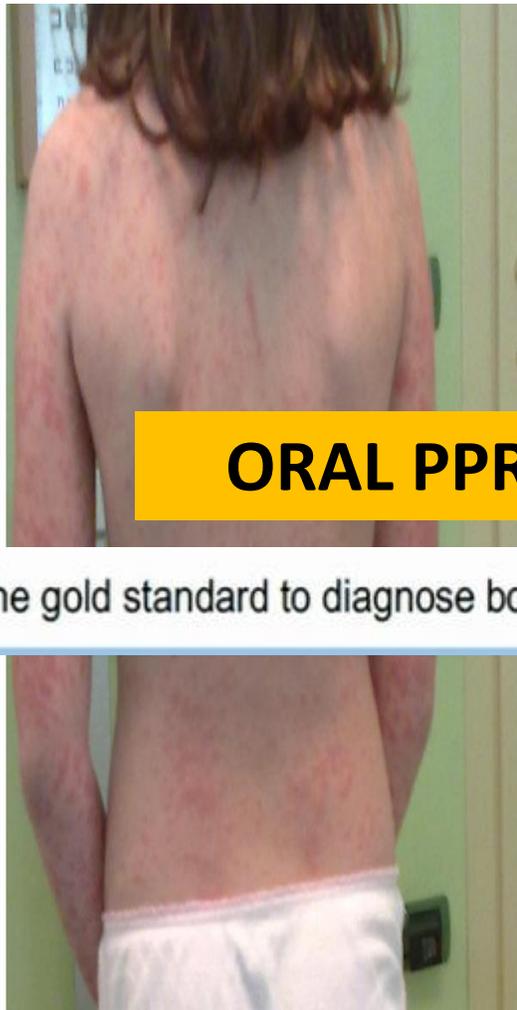


The specificity of skin tests for anesthetics in patients who received general anesthesia previously

Specificity of skin tests



Maculo Papular Eruption



ORAL PPROVOCATION TEST

DPT remains the gold standard to diagnose both immediate and non-immediate BL allergy

Test Dose Protocol successfully applied to patient

- Administer medication and monitor
 - standardized, 2-step

	Step 1 Test Dose	Monitor 30 minutes	Step 2 Target Dose	Monitor 60 minutes*
Oral tablet Cefpodoxime Penicillin	25%		Full dose (100%)	
Oral Suspension Amoxicillin Cefixime Cephalexin	10%		90%	
Intravenous	10%		Full dose (100%)**	

1/100 therapeutical dose	30 min	3d-1w later
1/10 therapeutical dose	30 min	3d-1w later
Full therapeutical dose	30 min	3d-1w later
Full therapeutical dose		

* After completion of Target Dose

** Follow Policy administration vs Standard Administration Rate

Doses recommended for drug provocation tests in subjects with immediate reactions

Low-risk subjects	High-risk subjects
<p data-bbox="300 596 1172 725">10% → 40% → 50% of the maximum single unit dose</p> <p data-bbox="445 863 479 899"></p> <p data-bbox="300 999 1235 1128">Interval between doses: 30-60 minutes (depending on that of the index reaction)</p>	<p data-bbox="1279 596 2178 725">1% → 10% → 40% → 49% of the maximum single unit dose</p> <p data-bbox="1279 778 2237 906"><i>[or 1% → 5% → 15% → 30% → 49% of the maximum single unit dose]</i></p> <p data-bbox="1279 1071 2211 1199">Interval between doses: 30-60 minutes (depending on that of the index reaction) </p>

ORAL PROVOCATION TEST-Quinolones

OFX & LFX – Cross reactivity

Poor CR
CFX/ MFX/
GFX

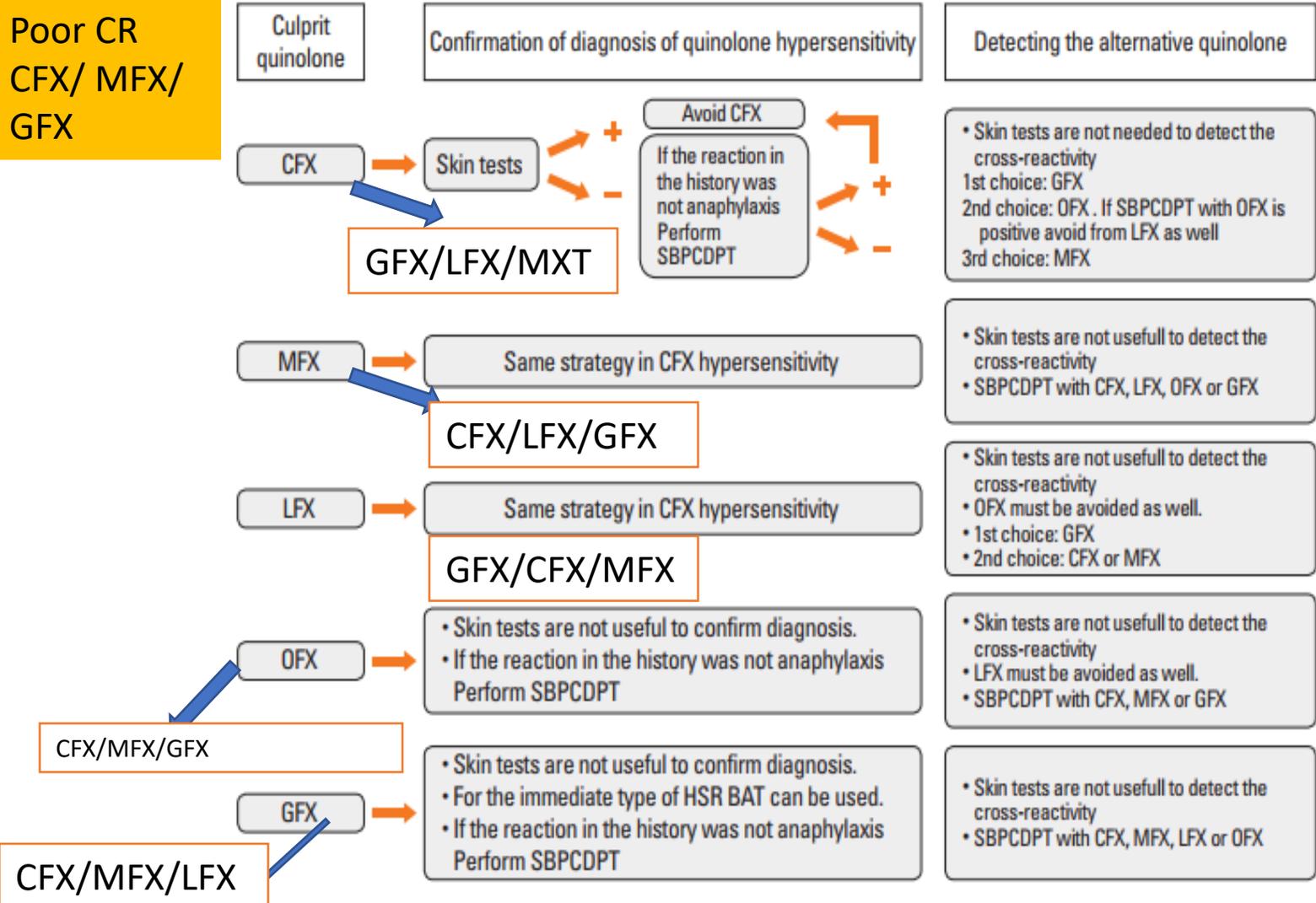


Fig. 4. Suggestions which were extrapolated from the study for choosing alternative quinolone in a quinolone hypersensitive patient. CFX, ciprofloxacin; MFX, moxifloxacin; LFX, levofloxacin; OFX, ofloxacin; GFX, gemifloxacin; BAT, basophil activation test; SBPCDPT, single blind placebo controlled drug provocation test.

Diagnosing T-cell mediated Drug Allergy

Delayed readings for IDT

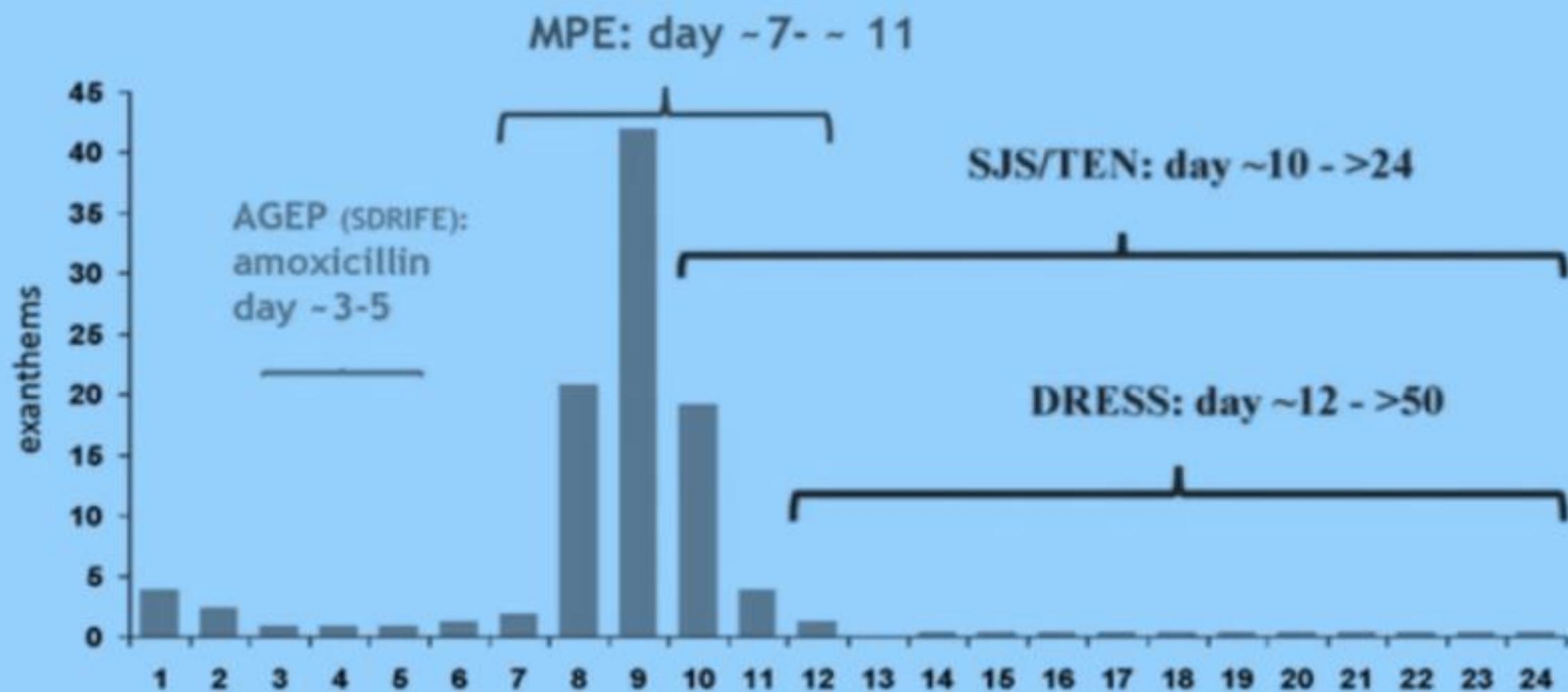
- Readings have to be done at 24h or 48h
- Or later:
- Are considered positive when there is an erythematous induration at the skin test site

✓ **Controversial in systemic drug reactions.**

Patch Test



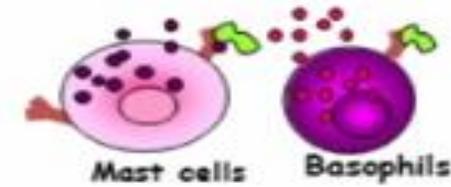
Time of appearance of delayed skin reactions



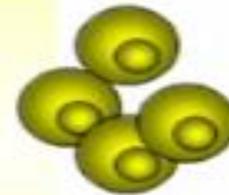
CLINICAL ENTITIES AND INVOLVED MECHANISMS

IMMEDIATE REACTIONS

Urticaria/angioedema
Anaphylaxis



Multiforme erythema
Exanthema
Urticaria
Fixed drug eruption
DRESS/DHIS



CTL (CD4, CD8)



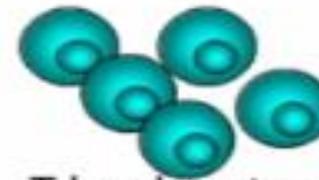
Perforin
Granzyme



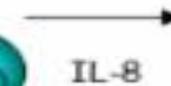
Eosinophils

NON IMMEDIATE REACTIONS

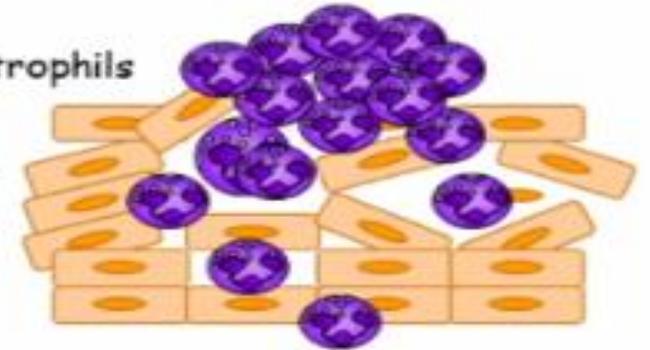
Acute generalized
exanthematous pustulosis



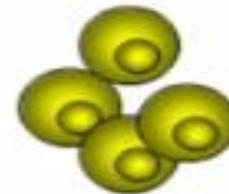
T lymphocytes



Neutrophils



SJS/TEN



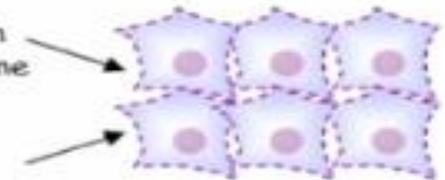
CTL (CD4, CD8)



Perforin
Granzyme



Fas-FasL



Keratinocyte massive
apoptosis.

Stevens-Johnson syndrome (SJS) / Toxic epidermal necrolysis (TEN)



- in the early phase confluent macules and flat atypical targets
- dark colour with necrosis and detachment of the epidermis
- hemorrhagic erosions of mucous membranes



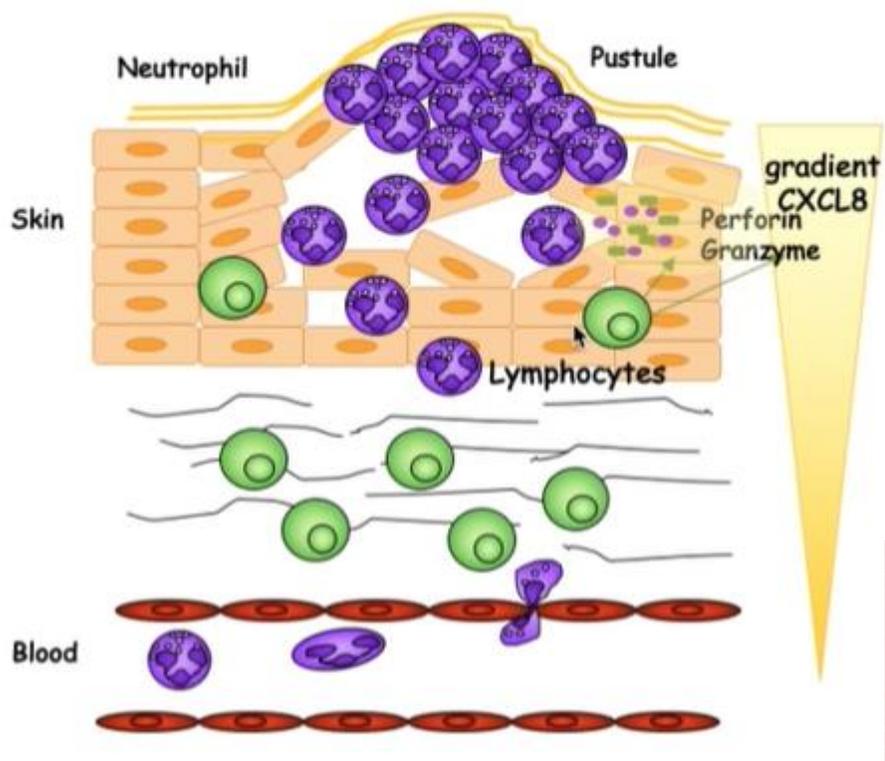
Keratinocytes

- Multisystem disease
 - Drug-induced
 - Fever
 - „Rash“
 - Eosinophilia & atypical lymphocytes
 - Lymphadenopathy
 - Involvement of liver and other organs
- Other explanation for symptoms excluded!



Severe cutaneous adverse drug reactions: AGEP

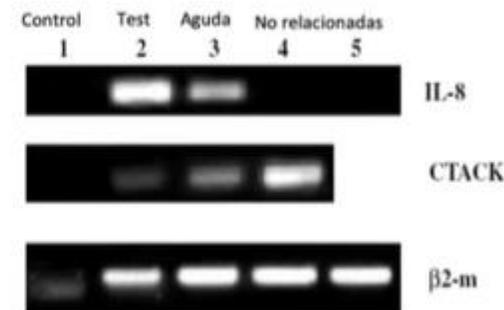
Neutrophils



Roujeau JC. Toxicology 2005

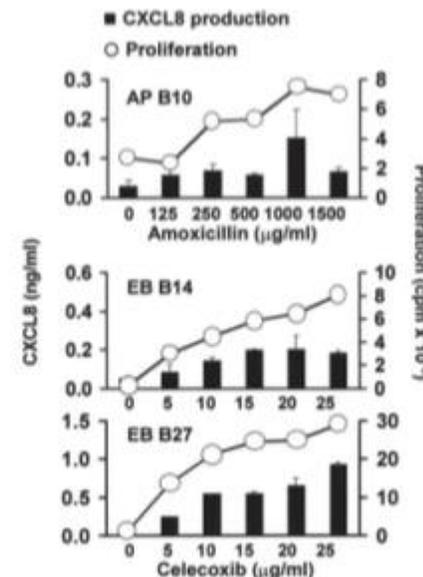


Skin biopsies



Padial MA. Br J Dermatol 2004

T cell clones



Schaerli P. J Immunol 2004

- Drug-specific T cells infiltrate the epithelium, induce blistering through **perforin/granzyme B and Fas ligand to induce apoptosis.**
- Also express **IL-8 attracting neutrophil** which form pustules. A leucocytosis, typically a neutrophilia may be present.

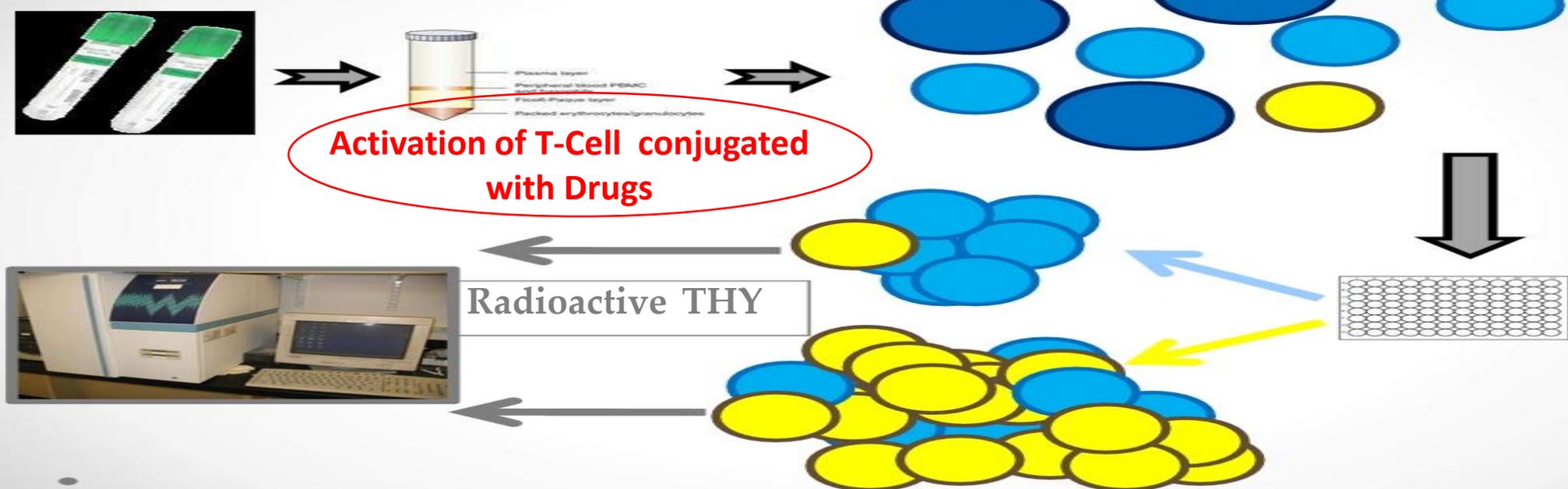
Individual T cell response and immune mediators



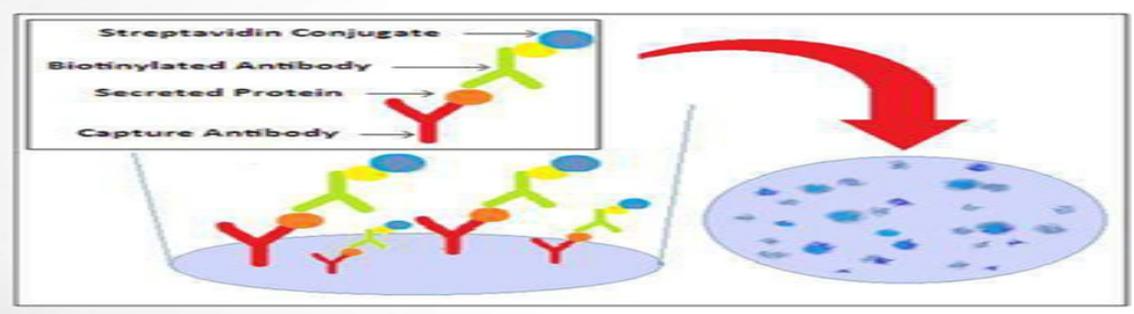
Category of Type IV reaction	Immune mediator	Clinical features
Type IVa	TH1 cells: IFN- γ and TNF- α	T cells, macrophages Contact dermatitis Tuberculin reaction
Type IVb	TH2 cells: IL-4, IL-5, IL-13	Eosinophils Maculopapular rash
Type IVc	Cytotoxic T cells: Perforin, Granzyme B	T cells Contact dermatitis Maculopapular rash Bullous eruptions (SJS, TEN)
Type IVd	T cells: GM-CSF CXCL8 IL-8	Neutrophils AGEP (Acute generalised exanthematous pustulosis)



Lymphocyte Transformation Test



Enzyme-linked immunosorbent spot (ELISpot) assay



Determines the number of cells (even < 25 secreting cells per million) that produce and release target cytokines, such as IFN- γ , IL-5, or IL-13, and cytotoxic markers, such as **perforin, granzyme B, and granulysin**, after their activation by the **incriminated drug**.

Non-allergic (Pharmacological / Pseudo-allergic)

NSAIDs Hypersensitivity

Acute



Respiratory



Cutaneous / Anaphylaxis



Various organs

Delayed

NERD

Non Cox-1
allergic
Inhibition

NECD

Cox-1
inhibition

NIUA

Unknown
probability COX-
1 inhibition

SNIUAA

Allergic
IgE
mediated

SNIDHR

T cell
mediated



**Non-immunologically
Mediated(cross-reactive)
Hypersensitivity reaction**

**Immunologically mediated
(selective) hypersensitivity
reaction)**

Non-allergic (Pharmacological / Pseudo-allergic)

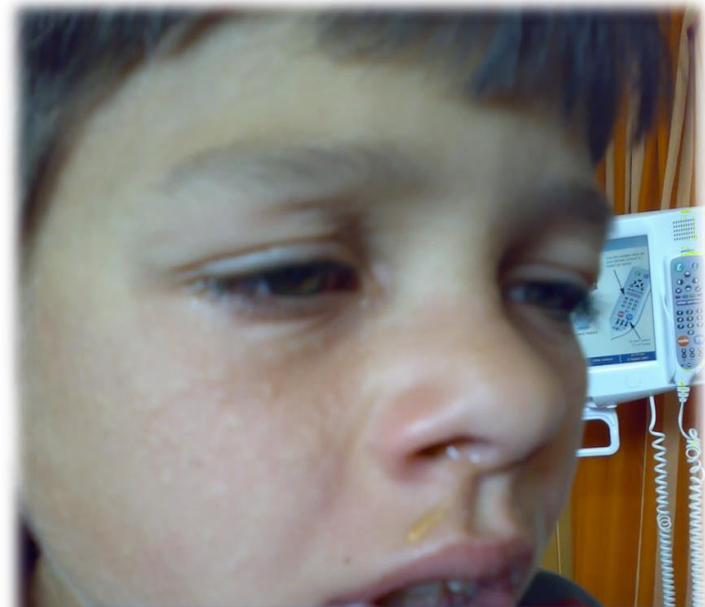
NERD

NECD/ NIUA

Anaphylaxis/ Urticaria
Angioedema-IgE

Cutaneous reaction
DHR- T cell

SNIUAA/SNIDHR

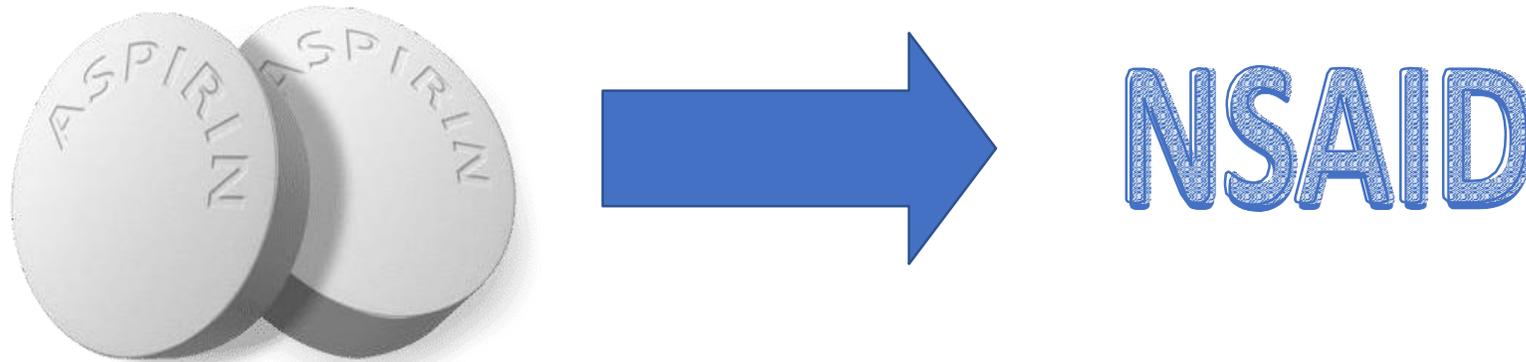


Asthma/ sinusitis
/ Nasal polyp



Urticaria

ASA challenge as a first approach is safe and useful
to establish the diagnosis of NSAIDs HS



- A. Cross- reactors**
- B. Selective-reactors**

NSAIDs hypersensitivity in children

- Prevalence 0.6–5.7% in the general population
- 1° or 2° cause of HRs in children according to different studies

Selective-reactors

SR= selective reactor

Alternative group of NSAIDS

Immunological mechanism to a single or single subclass of NSAID

selective NSAID-induced urticaria, angioedema, and anaphylaxis (SNIUAA).

selective NSAID-induced delayed-type reactions (SNIDR)

Cross-reactors

NO NSAIDS

CI= Cross-Intolerant

Related to the COX-1 inhibition and decrease in prostaglandin-E2 [PGE2] synthesis

NSAIDs-induced urticaria and angioedema (NIUA)

NSAIDs-exacerbated respiratory disease (NERD)

NSAIDs-exacerbated cutaneous disease (NECD)

NSAIDs Hypersensitivity

i Cyclooxygenase (COX)-inhibition capacity of NSAID

**constitutively
expressed
COX I**

**inducible
COX II**

weak COX-inhibitor: paracetamol (acetaminophen)

strong COX I- and COX II-inhibitors: ASA, ibuprofen, diclofenac, metamizol

relative COX II-inhibitors: meloxicam, nabumetone, nimesulide

selective COX II-inhibitors:
celecoxib, etoricoxib

COX I inhibition in NSAID-sensitive patients:
– NSAID-exacerbated cutaneous disease (NECD)
– NSAID-induced urticaria / angioedema (NIUA)

COX II inhibition:
• pain ↓
• inflammation ↓

Salicylates	Propionic acids	Enolic acids
Aspirin	Ibuprofen	Meloxicam
Salsalate	Naproxen	Piroxicam
Diflunisal	Ketoprofen	
	Fenoprofen	Fenamic acids
Acetic acids		Mefenamic acid
Diclofenac	Nonacidic/ carboxylic acid	
Etodolac	Nabumetone	Coxibs
Indomethacin		Celecoxib
Ketorolac		Etoricoxib

Management of NSAIDs cross – reactive hypersensitivity

NSAIDs avoidance and alternative drugs

Avoidance of NSAIDs with strong COX-1 inhibitory activity is recommended

NSAIDs tolerance in patients with cross-reactive type of hypersensitivity.

AVOIDANCE

Group A: NSAIDs cross-reacting in majority of hypersensitive patients (60–100%)

- Diclofenac, Ibuprofen, Ketoprofen, Nabumetone, Flurbiprofen, Indomethacin, Ketorolac, Naproxen

TOLERANCE

Group B: NSAIDs cross-reacting in minority of hypersensitive patients (2–10%)

- Rhinitis/asthma type
 - acetaminophen (< 1000 mg), meloxicam, nimesulide
- Urticaria/angioedema type
 - Acetaminophen, meloxicam, nimesulide, celecoxib, rofecoxib)

SAFE

Group C: NSAIDs well tolerated by all hypersensitive patients*

- Rhinitis/asthma type
 - celecoxib, parvocoxib, trisalicylate, salsalate
- Urticaria/angioedema type
 - etoricoxib, pavocoxib

*Single cases of hypersensitivity have been reported

Radiocontrast media (RCM)

- 1.RCM are associated with both allergic and pseudo-allergic reactions.**
- 2.The incidence of reactions to RCM, including severe, life-threatening reactions, appears to be **lower with *non-ionic versus ionic (high osmolar)* agents.**
- 3.Pseudo-allergic reactions to RCM can usually be prevented through the use of pre-treatment regimens e.g. corticosteroids and H1-antihistamines

RADIOLOGICAL IV CONTRAST MEDIA

IODIXANAL INJECTION (VISIPAQUE 270 mg/ml)



IOHEXOL INJECTION (OMNIPAQUE 350 mg I/ml)



GADODIAMIDE INJECTION (OMNISCAN 0.5 mmol/ml)

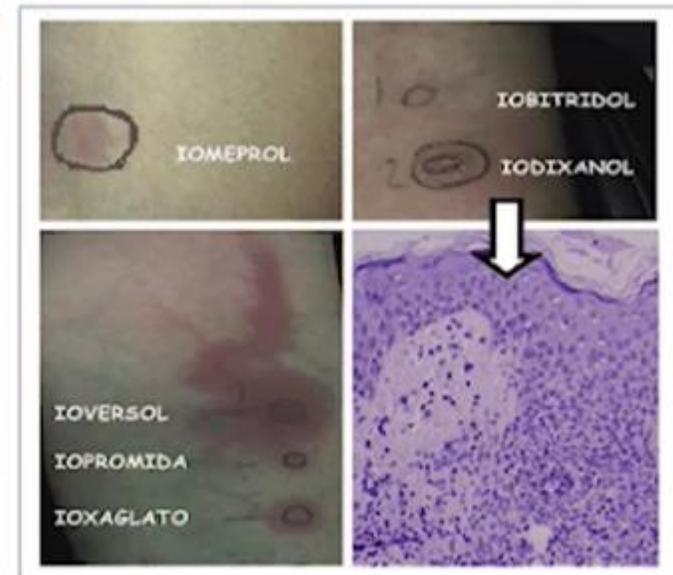


RCM skin test sensitivity -Low sensitivity but Good Specificity

Skin test +	DPT +	Reference
50% (I) 47% (NI)	nd nd	Brockow K et al, Allergy 2009
60% (I)	40%	Salas M. Allergy 2013
43,6% (NI)	56,4%	Torres MJ. Allergy 2012

Skin Test (Grade of recommendation C)

	Immediate	Non-Immediate
Prick	1/1	-----
Intradermo	1/10	1/1
Patch	-----	1/1
Sensitivity	4,2-7,3%	21-47%
Specificity	96,3%	95%
NPV	60-96,6%	65%



Erythema Nodosum

Purpura



Vasculitis

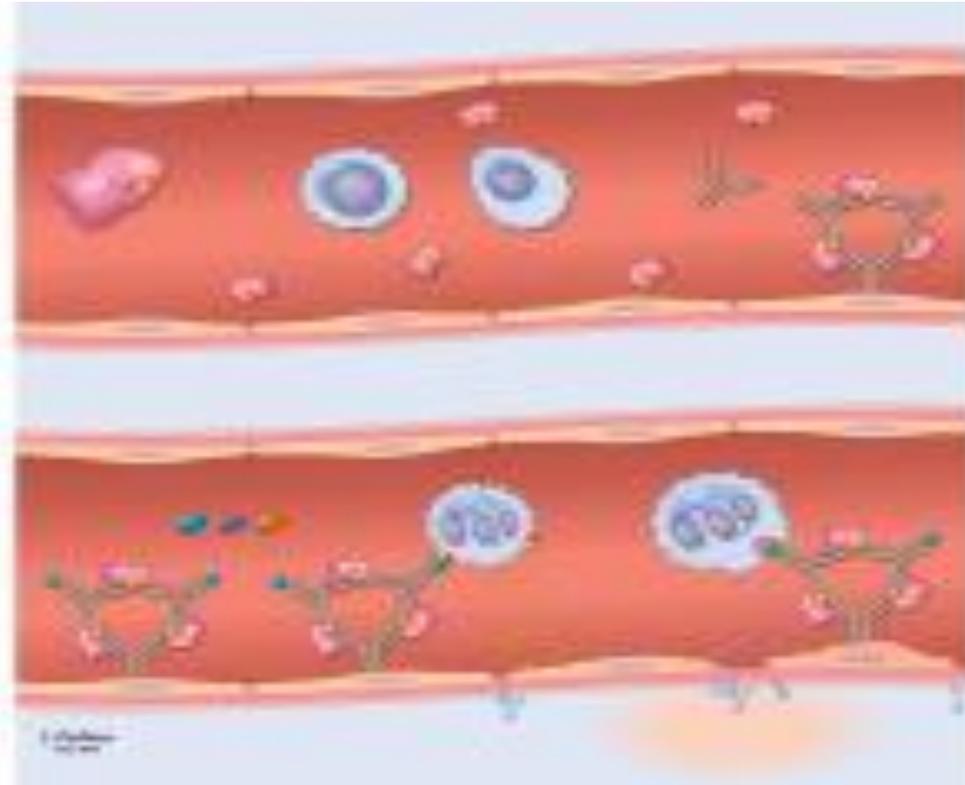
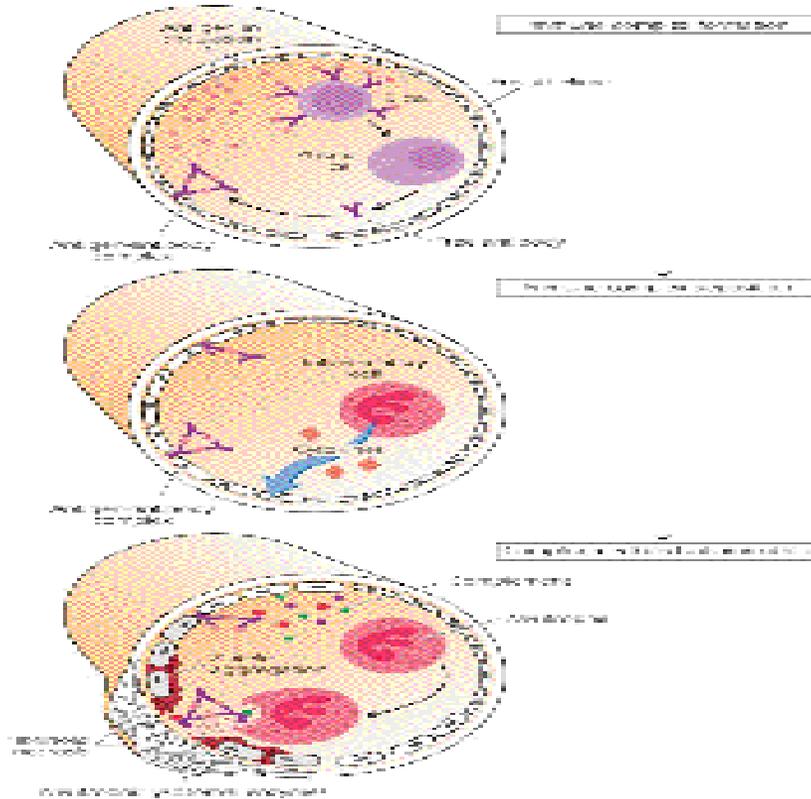


Erythema Exudativum Multiform



Immune complex Type III reaction

Serum Sickness Like Syndrome



"It is a type of hypersensitivity, specifically immune complex (type 3) hypersensitivity. Serum sickness typically develops up to ten days after exposure to the antiserum, and symptoms are similar to an allergic reaction "

Drug Allergy

IMMEDIATE

Delayed

IgE-Mediated
Mast Cell
activation

Non- IgE mediated
mast Cell activation

Cytotoxic
T Cells ag
Mabs
(Cytokine
storm)

**T-cell
mediated**

Single organ
eg Maculo-
papular rash

HLA associated
drug T-cell
mediated
Hypersensitivity
reactions

Severe coetaneous adverse
Reaction (SCAR)
•DRESS
•AGEP
•SjS/TEN

Diagnostic pathways: *In vitro* testing

- **Still limited applicability and poor generalised validation**
- **Tryptase** can be used as a biomarker of mast cell degranulation

Madrigal-Burgaleta R, et al. Importance of Diagnostics Prior to Desensitization in New Drug Hypersensitivity: Chemotherapeutics and Biologicals. *Curr Treat Options Allergy*. 2020. doi:10.1007/s40521-020-00238-y (available on Research Gate)

- **IL-6** can be used as a biomarker of cytokine release

Silver J, et al. Endophenotyping Oxaliplatin Hypersensitivity: Personalizing Desensitization to the Atypical Platin. *J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract*. 2020;8(5)

Jakubovic B, et al. Interleukin-6: A novel biomarker for monoclonal antibody and chemotherapy-associated hypersensitivity confirms a cytokine release syndrome phenotype-endotype association. *Allergy*. 2021;76:1571-3

- Alvarez-Cuesta *et al.* validated **oxaliplatin-specific IgE** in a cohort with a large sample size with well-characterised patients (allergy workup including drug provocation testing). The authors found that these technique was very specific but not so sensitive.

Alvarez-Cuesta E, et al. Delving into cornerstones of hypersensitivity to antineoplastic and biological agents: Value of diagnostic tools prior to desensitization. *Allergy*. 2015;70(7).

- Some authors have explored the role of sIgE in the study of **cross-reactivity** in platinum drugs

Caiado J, et al. Carboplatin-, Oxaliplatin-, and Cisplatin-specific IgE: Cross-reactivity and Value in the Diagnosis of Carboplatin and Oxaliplatin Allergy. *J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract*. 2013;1(5)

- Patients reacting to **cetuximab** can be sensitised to galactose-alpha-1,3-galactose, and sIgE alpha-gal is commercially available

García-Menaya JM, et al. Successful desensitization to 1452 cetuximab in a patient with a positive skin test to cetuximab and specific IgE to alpha-gal. *J Investig Allergol Clin Immunol*. 2016;26(2)

Steinke JW, et al. The alpha-gal story: Lessons learned from connecting the dots. *J Allergy Clin Immunol*. 2015;135(3)

Chung CH, et al. Cetuximab-induced anaphylaxis and IgE specific for galactose- α -1,3-galactose. *N Engl J Med*. 2008;358(11)

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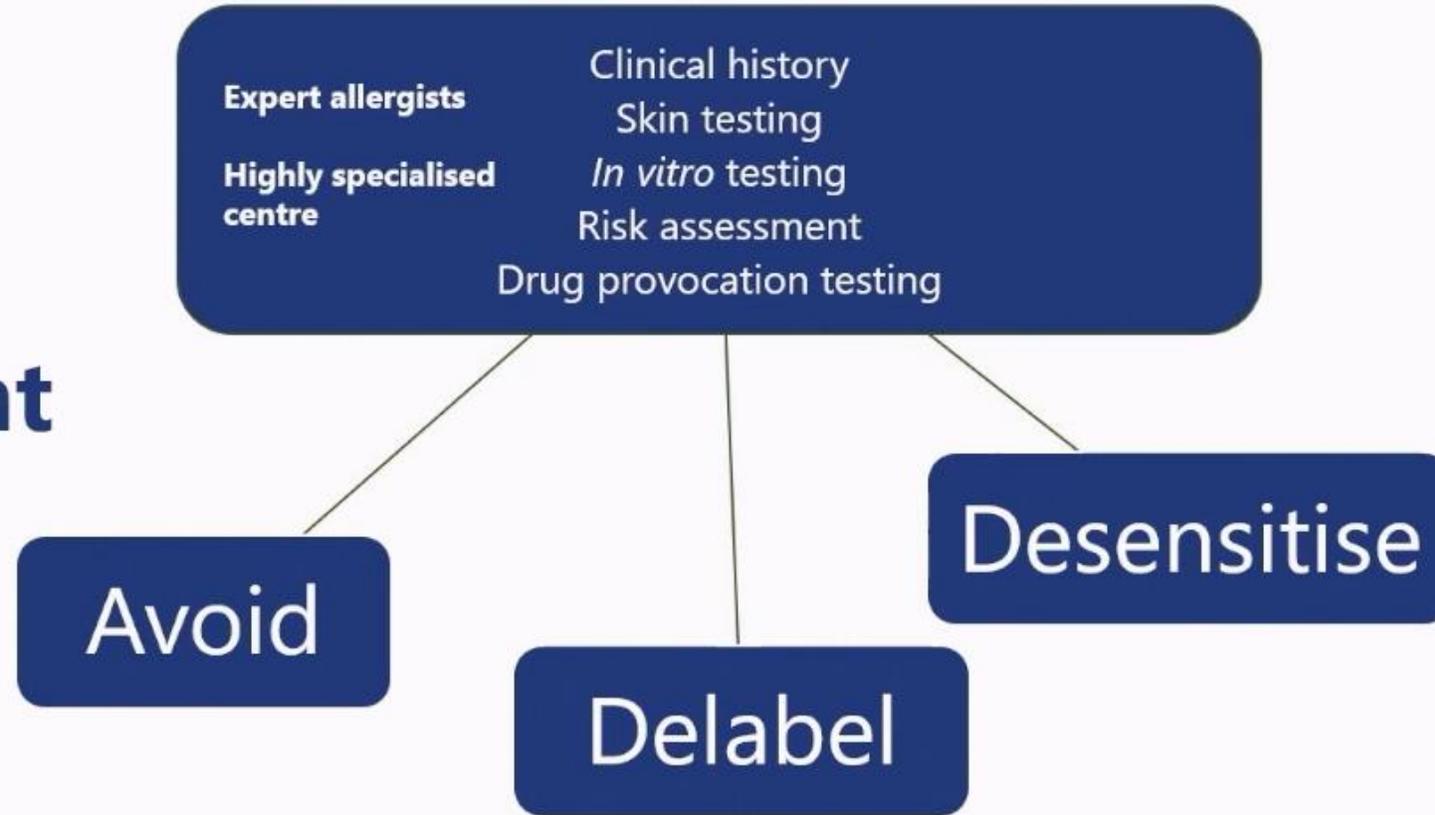
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Diagnostic pathways: Consensus



† Risk assessment is dynamic and should include at least:

- (1) Phenotype and endotype-related factors, such as the results on the allergy workup risk markers, both *in vivo* and *in vitro* (ST, specific IgE, tryptase, IL-6, basophil activation test, etc.).
- (2) Drug/reaction-related, such as type of drug, severity of the reaction, previous life-threatening reaction (such as a history of intubation or cardiovascular collapse), type of reaction (immediate, nonimmediate), more than one drug involved in the reaction.
- (3) Exceptional situations like pregnancy, acute infections, critically ill patients, urgency to receive treatment, or clinical trials.
- (4) Institutional-related factors, such as access to expert allergists with clinical expertise in drug allergy, access to a multidisciplinary team approach for each individual patient, trained staff, specific resources, appropriate facilities (special dedicated areas for these techniques, and access to intensive care), risk-management strategies and worst-case scenario recovery plans.
- (5) Patient-related, such as comorbidities where exposure might provoke situations beyond medical control.
- (6) social factors (travel distance to center, level of anxiety, inclination toward challenge vs desensitization, and so forth).

Rapid Drug Desensitisation: Protocols



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First step of the BWH protocol (e.g., 0.5 ml)

Different outcomes depending on the content of the infusion line



250 ml

20 ml infusion line
primed with the drug

22 ml

0.5 ml
of the drug



250 ml

20 ml infusion line
primed with saline or
glucose

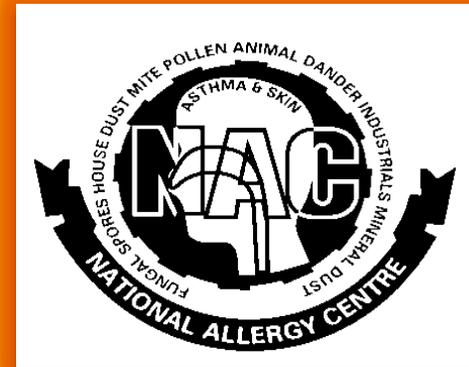
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