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# Urgenze in dermatologia

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ORTICARIA, TOSSIDERMIA E PRURITO	379	
HERPES	112	
PARASSITOSI	42	
USTIONE	10	
ERISPELA	29	
M. BOLLOSE	7	
AUTOIMM	23	
	<b>602</b>	
PUSTOLOSI	123	
ECZEMI	326	
VERRUCHE	13	
MICOSI	88	
ANNESSI	21	
VASCOLARI	26	
PSORIASI	69	
LICHEN	8	
GRAN ANULARI	2	
MTS	54	
PUNTURE	140	
NEOFORMAZIONI CUTE	117	
	<b>987</b>	
gennaio novembre 2016	1589	

# Orticaria



- Pomfi fugaci che durano meno di 24-48 ore





- Herpes sine Herpes





- Erisipela monolaterale e calda al tatto



# Pemfigo / Pemfigoidi





condizioni cliniche identificate come "Appropriate" per la richiesta di Urgenza dermatologica H24:



- - rash o eruzione cutanea diffusa ad insorgenza improvvisa
- - herpes zooster
- - scabbia
- - dermatosi di ndd accompagnata da febbre
- - piodermiti
- - riacutizzazione di malattie autoimmuni (pemfigo, pemfigoide, eritrodermia, ecc)
- - orticaria ed angioedema
- - sovrainfezioni di dermatosi croniche
- - ulcera dell'area genitale



- **Urgenze mediche**
  - Urgenza dermatologica «vera (h-24)»
  - Urgenza dermatologica «differibile (7 gg)»
  
- **Urgenze del paziente**
  - Urgenze degli «spazientiti» per patologie croniche che non migliorano
  - Urgenze «opportunistiche (partenze per vacanze)»
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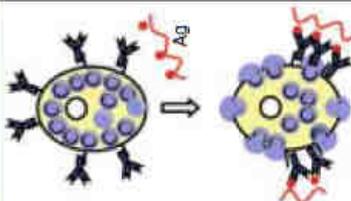
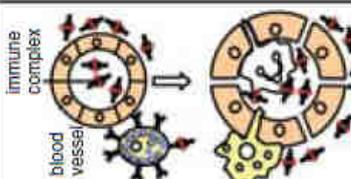
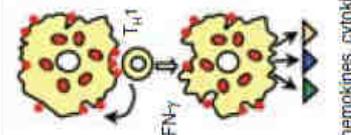
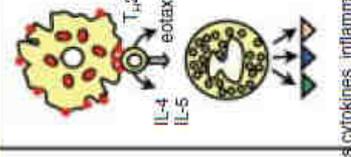
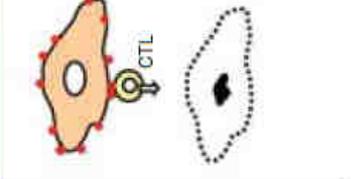
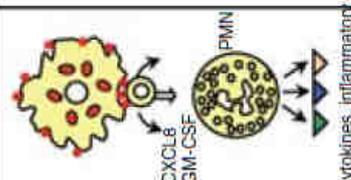
# Reazioni a farmaco



- La reazione a farmaco ~~viene~~ immediatamente dopo la assunzione di un farmaco già assunto in precedenza



# Antibody mediated hypersensitivity reactions (I-III) and delayed type cell/cytokine mediated hypersensitivity reactions (IV a-d)

	Type I	Type II	Type III	Type IV a	Type IV b	Type IV c	Type IV d
Immune reactant	IgE	IgG	IgG	IFN $\gamma$ , TNF $\alpha$ (T $_H$ 1 cells)	IL-5, IL-4/IL-13 (T $_H$ 2 cells)	Perforin/ GranzymeB (CTL)	CXCL-8, GM-CSF (T-cells)
Antigen	Soluble antigen	Cell- or matrix-associated antigen	Soluble antigen	Antigen presented by cells or direct T cell stimulation	Antigen presented by cells or direct T cell stimulation	Cell-associated antigen or direct T cell stimulation	Soluble antigen presented by cells or direct T cell stimulation
Effector	Mast-cell activation	FcR+ cells (phagocytes, NK cells)	FcR+ cells Complement	Macrophage activation	Eosinophils	T cells	Neutrophils
							
Examples	Allergic rhinitis, asthma, systemic anaphylaxis	Some drug allergies (e.g., penicillin)	Serum sickness, Arthus reaction	Tuberculin reaction, contact dermatitis (with IVc)	Chronic asthma, chronic allergic rhinitis, Maculopapular exanthema with eosinophilia	Contact dermatitis, Maculopapular and bullous exanthema, hepatitis	AGEP, Behçet disease

Pichler W.J. Delayed drug hypersensitivity reactions, *Ann. Int. Med.* 2003

# DRESS



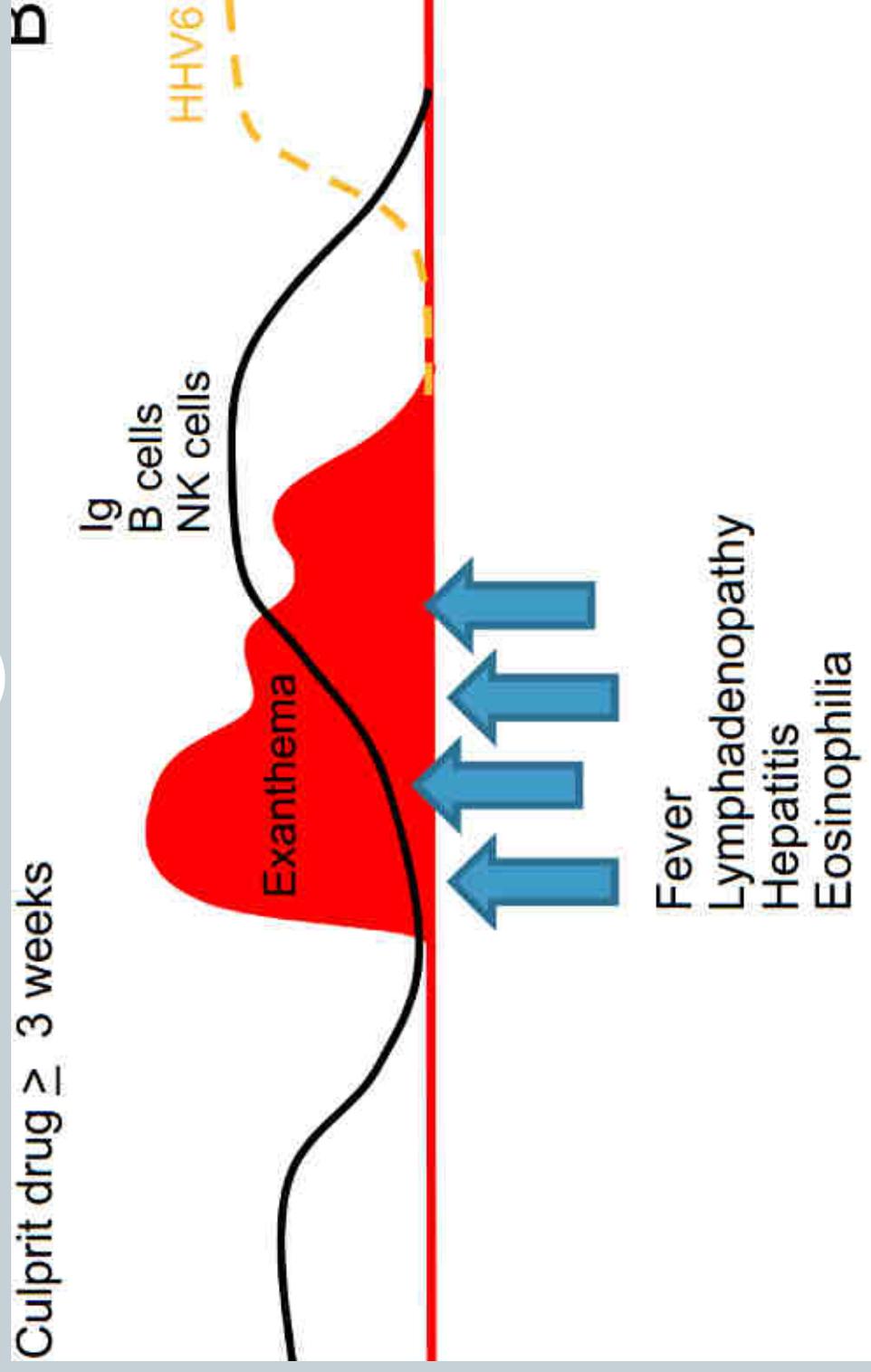
- Rara (1:10.000 esposizioni)
- Colpisce tutte le età
- E' causata più frequentemente da sulfamidici ed antiepilettici.
- Latenza dall'assunzione: 7-28 giorni
- Durata: 1 mese o più
- Rash cutaneo, Enantema, Febbre, Interessamento di 1 o + organi (fegato, rene etc)
- Eosinofilia

## Patogenesi

- Deficit di detossificazione del farmaco con formazione di metaboliti attivi in grado di agire da apteni che legandosi a macromolecole dei cheratinociti danno origine ad una reazione immunitaria



Culprit drug  $\geq$  3 weeks





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## Recommendations for HLA-B\*15:02 and HLA-A\*31:01 induced hypersensitivity reactions genetic testing to reduce the risk of carbamazepine-

### induced hypersensitivity reactions

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Epidemiol. Infect. (2014), 142, 1256–1264. doi:10.1017/S0950268813001256

**Table 3. Proportions of patients expected to develop HSRs without test, with and without risk variants**

Risk variant	HLA-A*31:01		HLA-A*31:01 HSS, MPE, SJS/TEN, AGEP		HLA-B*15:02 SJS/TEN	
	Caucasian	Japanese/Korean	Caucasian	Japanese	Thai, Indian, Malay	Chinese
Population with approximate carrier frequencies						
Frequency of HSR in patients taking CBZ ( $f_{HSR}$ ; risk of CBZ-HSR without genetic test), %	0.02–0.05 <sup>a</sup>	0.02–0.05 <sup>a</sup>	3–10 <sup>b</sup>	3–10 <sup>b</sup>	0.23 <sup>c</sup>	0.23 <sup>c</sup>
Risk variant frequency in patients with HSR ( $f_{Carrier}$ ; Sensitivity), % <sup>d</sup>	<b>37</b>	<b>58–59</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>80–93</b>	<b>97</b>
Risk variant frequency in patients without HSR ( $f_{tolerant}$ ; 1-Specificity), % <sup>d</sup>	4	13–14	4	13	10–19	4–15
Frequency of HSR in patients who are positive for the risk variant (PPV; risk of HSR with positive test), %	<b>0.2–0.4</b>	<b>0.1–0.2</b>	<b>17–42</b>	<b>12–33</b>	<b>1–2</b>	<b>1–5</b>
Proportion of patients carrying risk variant NOT developing HSR (1-PPV), %	99	99	58–83	67–88	98–99	95–99
Frequency of HSR in patients who are negative for the risk variant (risk of HSR with negative test), % <sup>e</sup>	0.01–0.03	0.01–0.02	2–8	1–5	0.02–0.05	0.007
Maximum fold risk increase (positive vs. negative)	14	10	7	8	117	735

<sup>a</sup>Incidence estimate from Caucasian population.<sup>12</sup>

<sup>b</sup>Incidence estimates for Caucasian patients: 10%; incidence reported for Japanese: 3%.<sup>43</sup>

<sup>c</sup>Historical incidence in Taiwan Han Chinese patients.<sup>41</sup>

<sup>d</sup>Estimation based on results from case-control studies (Tables S1 and S3).

<sup>e</sup>Calculated using:  $(f_{HSR} * (1 - f_{tolerant})) / (f_{HSR} * (1 - f_{tolerant}) + (1 - f_{HSR}) * (1 - f_{tolerant}))$ . Sensitivity and PPV are indicated in bold.





Eosinofilia

+ prurito

+ esteso

neutrofilia

enantema

Craniocaudale

adenopatia

### Diagnosi differenziale tra esantemi da farmaci ed esantemi (para)-infettivi

- Anamnesi (rapporto temporale, precedenti reazioni di intolleranza)
- Età del paziente
- Sintomi generali, decorso febbrile
- Aspetto delle lesioni
- Enantema
- Prurito
- Linfadenopatia
- Ricerche di laboratorio















**TABLE 4. Pharmacotherapeutic Options for Drug Rash With Eosinophilia and Systemic Symptoms**

Agent	Example dosing	Comment
Corticosteroids	(1) Prednisone or equivalent (1-1.5 mg/kg/d) (2) Methylprednisolone, 30 mg/kg intravenously for 3 d, if no improvement with oral corticosteroids or in severe cases <sup>98</sup>	Oral corticosteroids are tapered over 3-6 mo
Intravenous immunoglobulin	(1) 0.5 g/kg/d for 2 consecutive days every month as a corticosteroid-sparing agent <sup>77</sup> (2) 2 g/kg divided over 5 d in severe, life-threatening cases <sup>100</sup>	Poor tolerability and minimal benefit reported in a small, open-label study (n=10) <sup>101</sup> Should be used in conjunction with corticosteroids, not as monotherapy Limited to individual reports
Cyclophosphamide	750 mg/m <sup>2</sup> intravenously once; approximately 2 wk later, begin 100 mg orally daily for 6 mo <sup>5</sup>	
Cyclosporine	100 mg twice daily for 5 d <sup>102,103</sup>	Used after corticosteroid failure and taper <sup>102</sup>
Topical corticosteroids, H <sub>1</sub> receptor antagonists, emollients	Various	Recommended for symptom control only if the patient has no systemic symptoms <sup>98</sup>
Antivirals	Various	For patients with evidence of viral reactivation Give in addition to corticosteroids, with or without intravenous immunoglobulin <sup>98</sup>
Mycophenolate mofetil	500-1500 mg twice daily <sup>103-105</sup>	Corticosteroid-sparing agent; use for up to 1 y <sup>103</sup>
Rituximab	A 1-mo course of weekly rituximab <sup>105</sup>	Dose not provided in report <sup>105</sup>

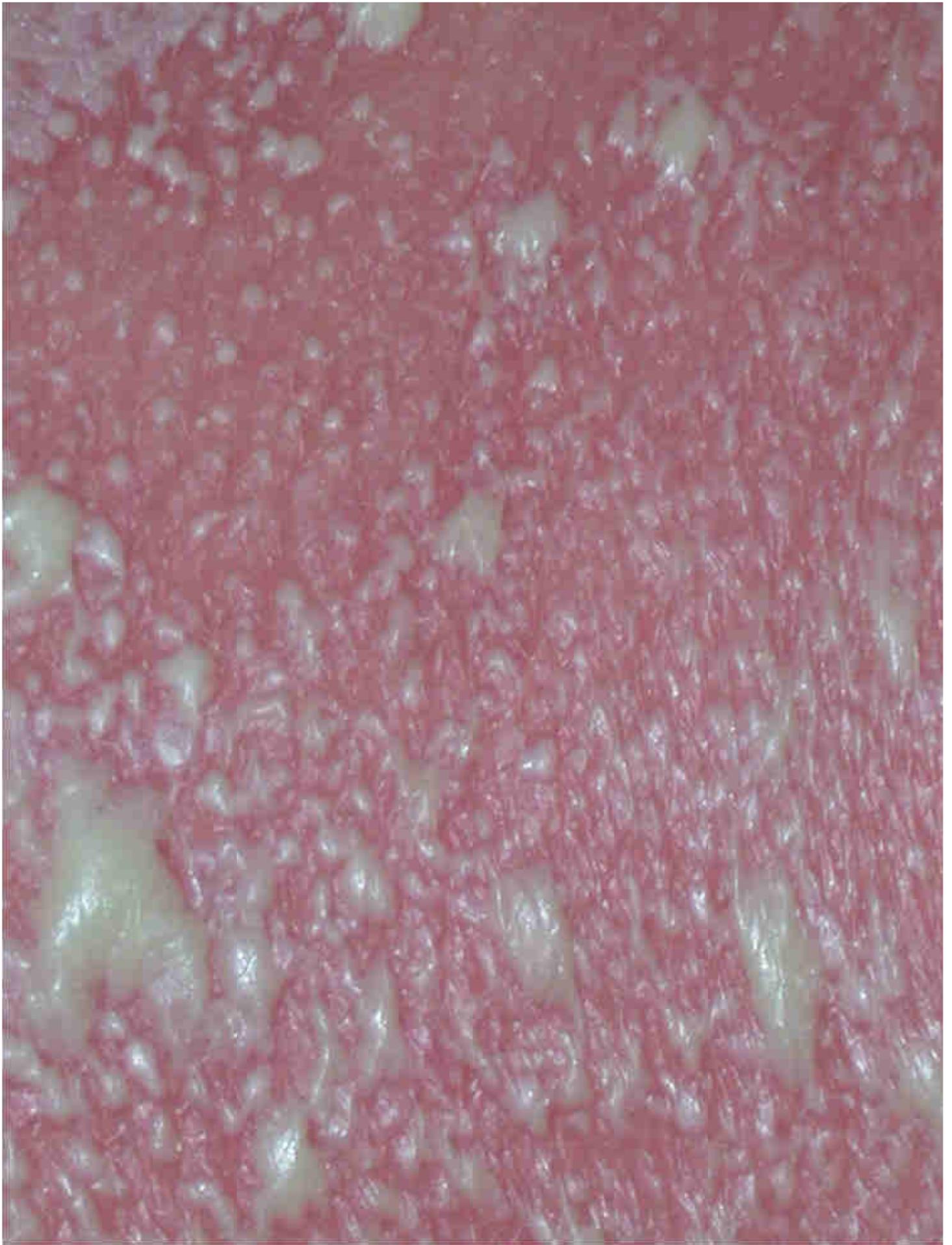
# AGEP



- Rara (1:100.000 esposizioni)
- Cause farmacologiche o + raramente infettive
- Guarigione spontanea

## PUSTOLE INTRAEPIDERMICHE NON FOLLICOLARI STERILI SU CUTE ERITEMATOSA - FEBBRE

- Esordio acuto con febbre  $> 38^{\circ}\text{C}$ , eritema scarlattiniforme, rash pustoloso sterile con pustole non follicolari
- L'eruzione inizia al volto con successiva estensione al tronco e agli arti
- La durata media dell'eruzione pustolosa è di circa nove giorni
- Talora possono essere presenti lesioni a bersaglio centrate da una pustola, edema del volto e delle mani, lesioni di tipo purpurico alle gambe e ai piedi, tale polimorfismo è un aspetto caratteristico della malattia
- Esami di laboratorio:
  - Leucocitosi ( $> 10.000$  per ml)    Neutrofilia ( $7000$  x ml)
  - Eosinofilia  $>700$  x ml    Ipocalcemia





**Table 1.** Factors favoring the diagnosis of AGEP over pustular psoriasis.

	<b>AGEP</b>	<b>Generalized Pustular Psoriasis</b>
<b>History of psoriasis (family/personal)</b>	usually lacking	often present
<b>Distribution pattern</b>	initially predominance in the folds	more generalized
<b>Onset of pustules</b>	fast (hours or few days after use of medication)	slower
<b>Duration of pustules</b>	Shorter (rapid resolution in a few days, max. 15 days, after drug suspension)	longer
<b>Size of pustules</b>	tiny (pinhead)	larger
<b>Duration of eruption/fever</b>	shorter (resolution in a few days after drug suspension)	longer
<b>History of drug reaction</b>	usual	uncommon
<b>Recent drug administration</b>	very frequent	less frequent
<b>Arthritis</b>	rare	about 30%
<b>Histology</b>	single-cell necrosis of keratinocytes, edema of papillary dermis, vasculitis, exocytosis of eosinophils	papillomatosis, acanthosis, tortuous or dilated vessels

**Table I.** Diagnostic score for acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis from EuroSCAR study<sup>40</sup>

Variable	Score
<b>Morphology</b>	
Pustules	
Typical	+2
Compatible with disease	+1
Insufficient	0
Erythema	
Typical	+2
Compatible with disease	+1
Insufficient	0
Distribution	
Typical	+2
Compatible with disease	+1
Insufficient	0
<b>Course</b>	
Mucous membrane involvement	
Yes	-2
No	0
Acute onset	
Yes	0
No	-2
Resolution within 15 d	
Yes	0
No	-2
Fever $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$	
Yes	+1
No	0
Polymorphonuclear cells $\geq 7000$ cells/mm <sup>3</sup>	
Yes	+1
No	0
<b>Histology</b>	
Other disease	-10
Not representative	0
Exocytosis of polymorphonuclear cells	+1
Subcorneal and/or intraepidermal nonspongiform or NOS pustules with papillary edema or subcorneal and/or intraepidermal spongiform or NOS pustules without papillary edema	+2
Spongiform subcorneal and/or intraepidermal pustules with papillary edema	+3

Score interpretation:  $\leq 0$  = no; 1-4 = possible; 5-7 = probable; 8-12 = definitive acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis. NOS, Not otherwise specified.



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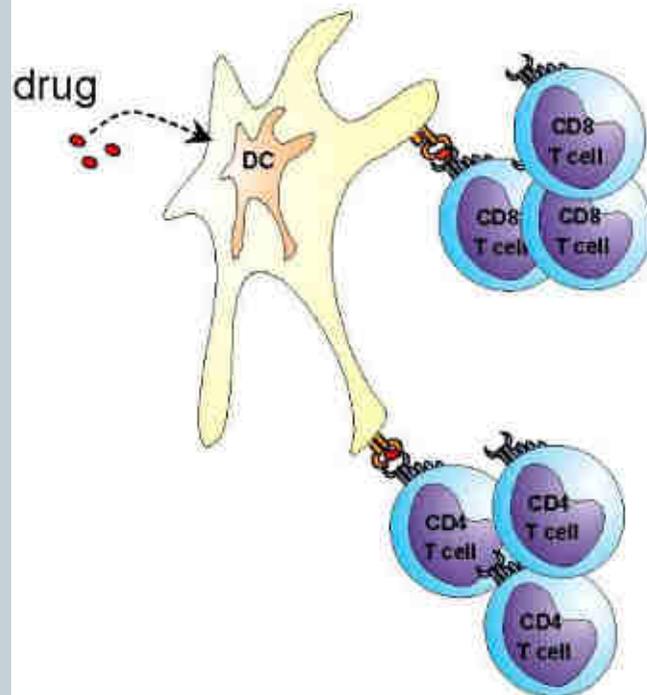
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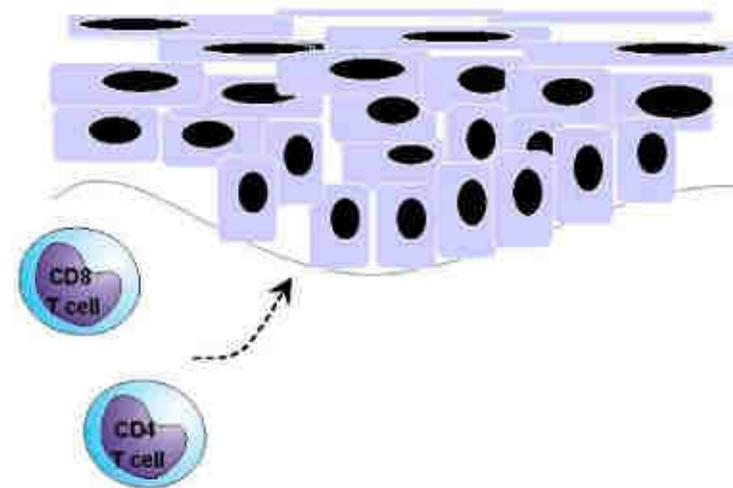
# AGEP



**A. Activation and expansion of drug-specific T cells**

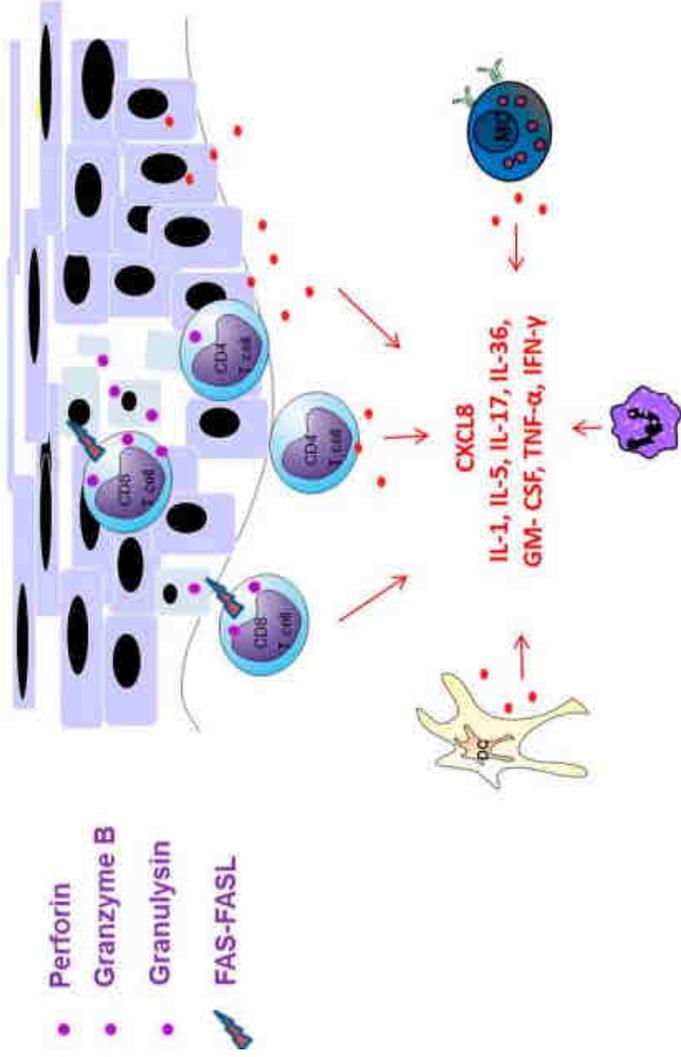


**B. Migration to the skin**

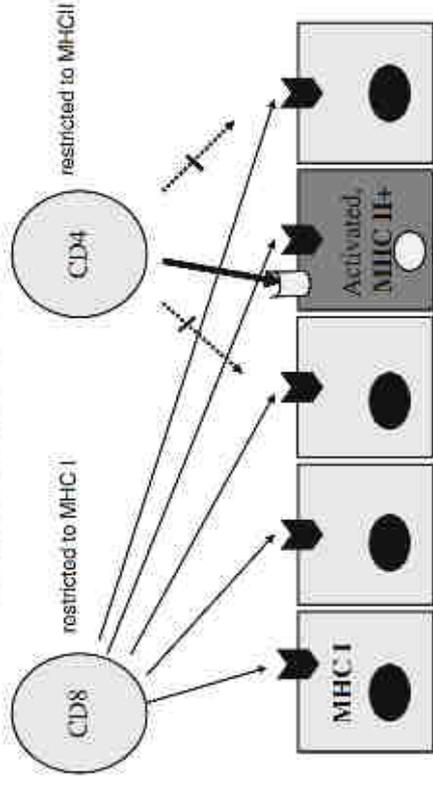




### C. Apoptosis of keratinocytes and formation of subcorneal vesicle



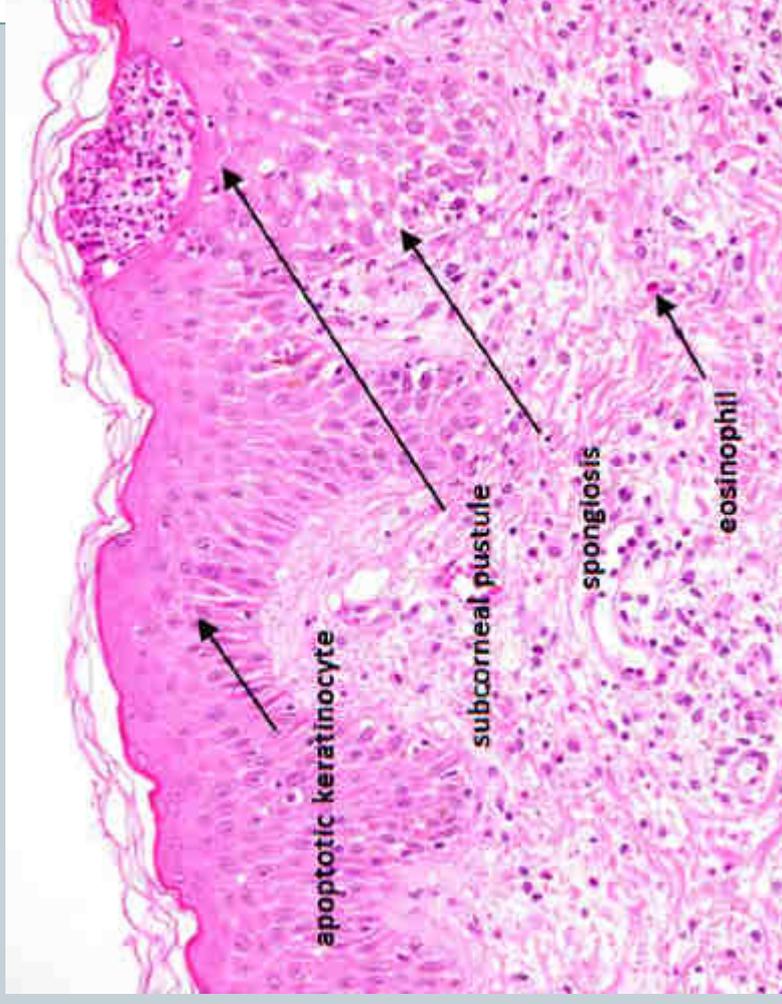
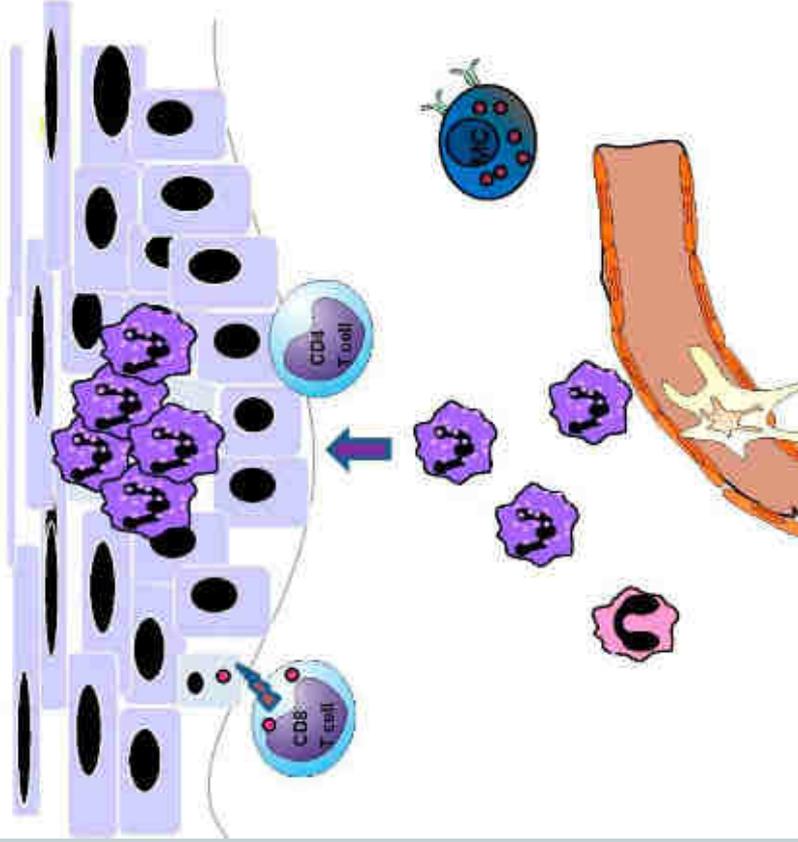
Why are cytotoxic CD8+ T cells more dangerous than CD4+ T cells?



CD8 T cells can kill MHC-I expressing (=all) cells, While CD4+ kill only activated cells, expressing MHC-II

### D. Release of various cytokines and chemokines (•) by innate and acquired immune cells and resident cells (i.e. keratinocytes)

**E. Recruitment of further leucocytes, i.e. neutrophils and formation of pustules**













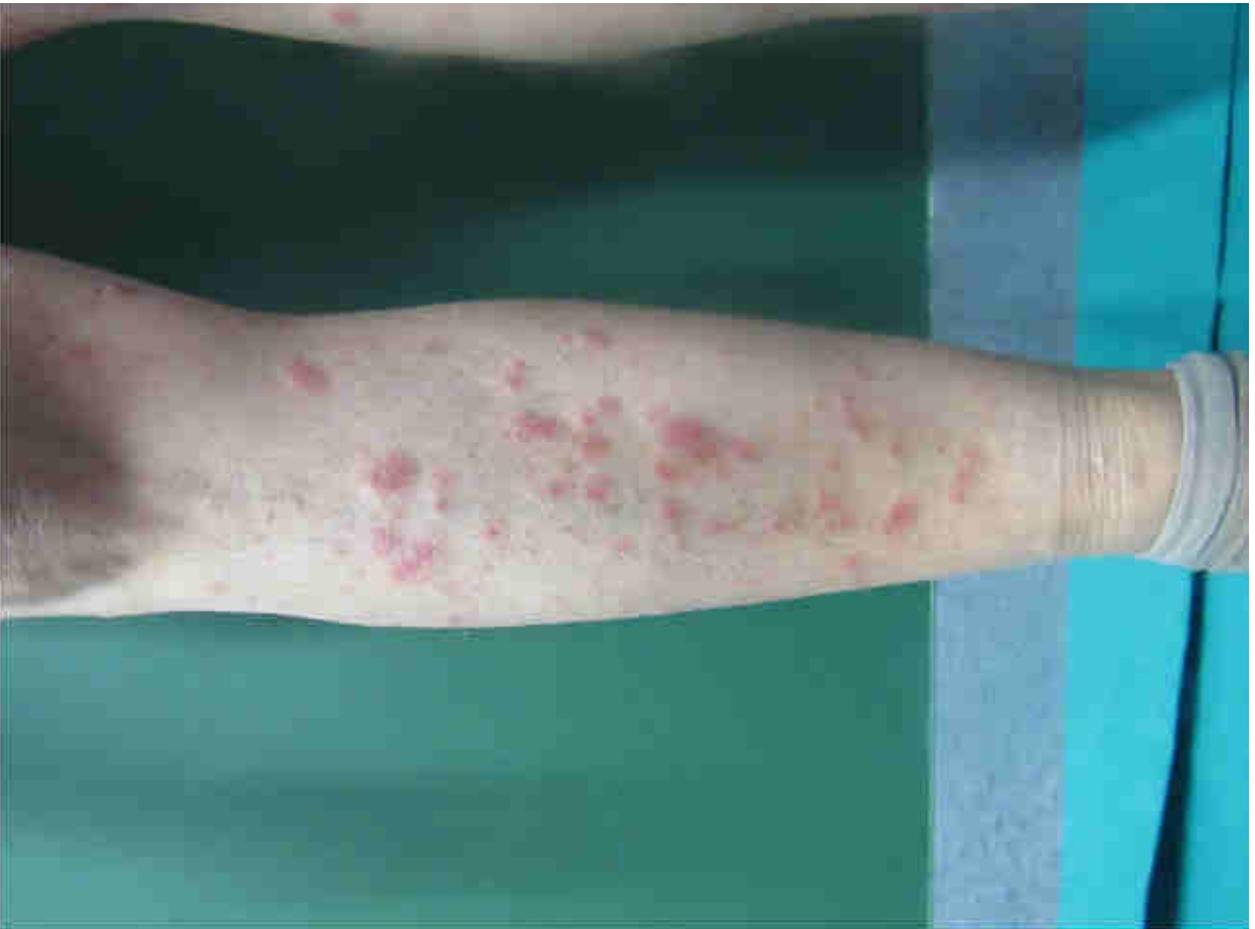






























T 0 (3 gg da assunzione idrossiclorochina)



T 0



T 7 gg











# Eritema multiforme S. Steven-Johnson Lyell (TEN)

Entità clinica	TEN	SJS	SJS-TEN overlap
Disepitelizzazione	>30%	<10%	10-30%

La diagnosi di SJS/TEN è essenzialmente clinica, il paziente frequentemente descrive sintomi prodromici, spesso esorditi 48-72 ore prima della comparsa delle manifestazioni cutanee: tosse, mialgia, inappetenza, senso di spossatezza.

L'eruzione cutanea esordisce sotto forma di rash maculare morbilliforme, caratterizzato da un colore variabile tra il roseo ed il purpurico, le lesioni tendono a confluire realizzando immagini figurate

Il processo può evolvere rapidamente in poche ore o richiedere giorni. Altri elementi clinici che frequente si associano sono:

- erosioni emorragico-crostose delle labbra
- erosioni genitali
- congiuntivite
- febbre
- artralgie
- coinvolgimento esofageo e tracheale

# Steven-Johnson



# Lyell





**VARIABILI DELLO SCORTEN INDEX°** ogni variabile indicata vale 1 punto

**Distacco epidermico >10%**

**Età >40 anni**

**Anamnesi positiva per neoplasie in atto o pregresse**

**Frequenza cardiaca >120b/min**

**Azotemia >10 mmol/L**

**Glicemia > 14 mmol/L**

**Bicarbonati < 20 mmol/L**

<b>SCORTEN index</b>	<b>Tasso di mortalità (%)</b>
<b>0-1</b>	<b>3.2</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>12.1</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>35.3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>58.3</b>
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Macrolides	NSAID (oxicams)	Cotrimoxazole
	Sertraline	Abacavir <sup>e</sup>
	Pantoprazole	
	Tramadol	

















