



ADVERSE DRUG REACTIONS, INCLUDING SJS, TEN

CUTANEOUS ADVERSE REACTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH CANCER TARGETED THERAPIES: WHAT'S NEW?

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Recently, molecular or genetic profiles of human cancers have been largely established. It leads to targeted treatment strategies rather than conventional chemotherapies for cancer patients. These targeted-therapies provide better treatment outcomes and more favourable safety profiles.

However, side effects of these targeted-therapies still exist, causing certain extent of morbidities, and could result in discontinuation of the therapies. Among the side effects due to the targeted-therapies, skin adverse reactions are frequently encountered. It is important for dermatologists to be familiar with the presentations and management of these skin adverse reactions.

In this talk, I will present the common skin adverse reactions and the recently-reported ones of the widely-used targeted-therapies as well as skin adverse reactions due to the newly-introduced medications. I will show the clinical features of these skin reactions, explain the possible pathomechanisms, and also provide suitable treatment options. Through this presentation, my aim is to make dermatologists getting more involved in the management of these side effects and to provide a better quality-of-life for these cancer patients.

