

# Multiple Drug Hypersensitivity

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# Multiple drug hypersensitivity syndrome is defined controversially

- Many names, diverse meanings
- Do not confuse with multiple intolerance syndrome

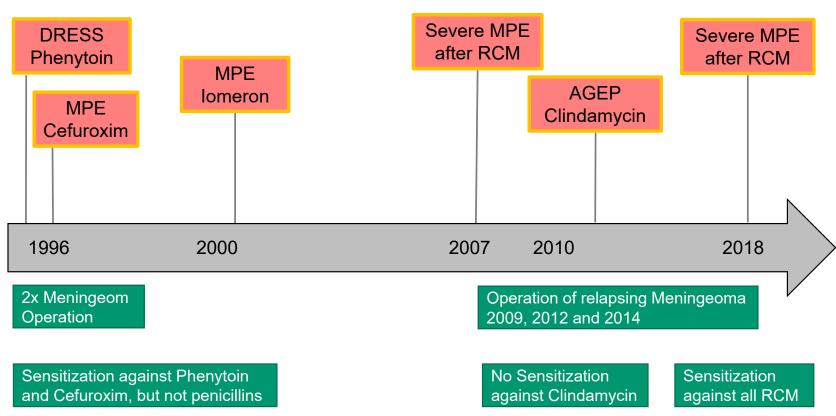
#### Multiple drug hypersensitivity

- Proven drug allergies to two or more chemically different drugs (skin test, in vitro test, ± drug provocation test)
- No known cross reactivity or similar metabolic/pharmacologic pathway between involved drugs
- No flare-up

Demoly P, et al.. International Consensus on drug allergy. Allergy. 2014 Apr;69(4):420-37.



### Case 1: Example of a Multiple drug hypersensitivity syndrome



Approx. 15-30% of all DRESS patients develop an MDH



# **Developement of MDH**

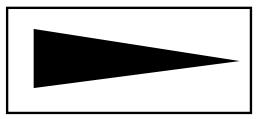
Simultaneous MDH



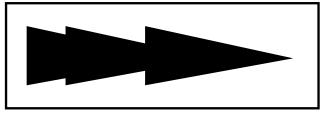
Sequential MDH



Distant form of MDH (case 1)



same DHR



same DHR with relapses or multiple DHR within the same event



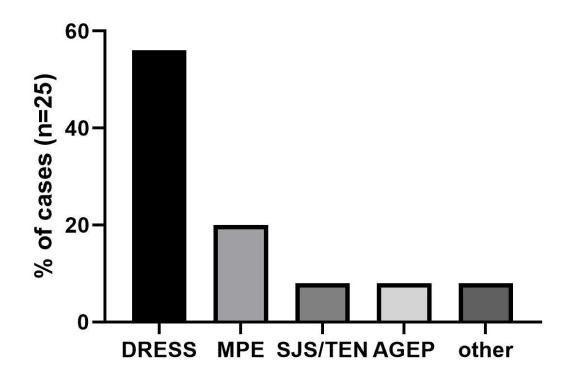




Multiple DHR with months to years in between



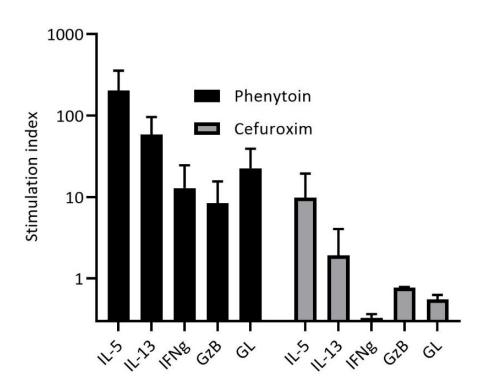
#### The initial reaction of MDH is a severe DHR in most cases

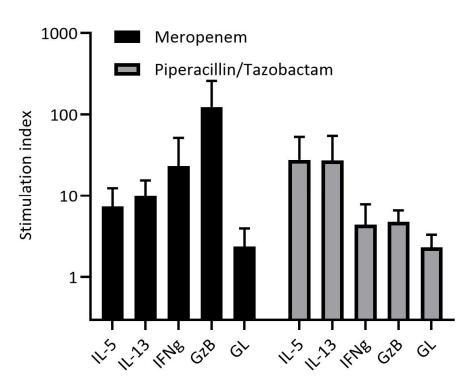


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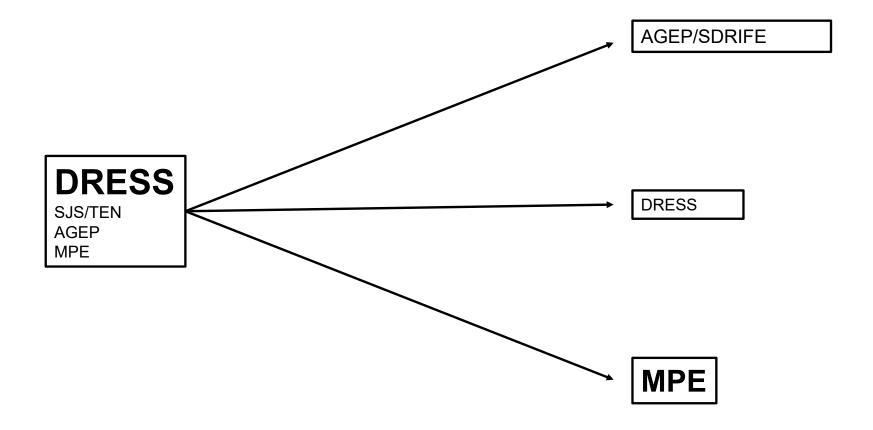
## Cytokine profile in case 1 compared to a sequential MDH





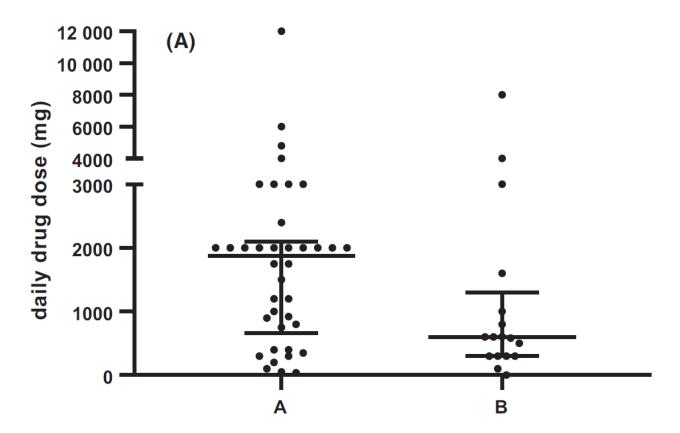


### **DRESS** and what follows?





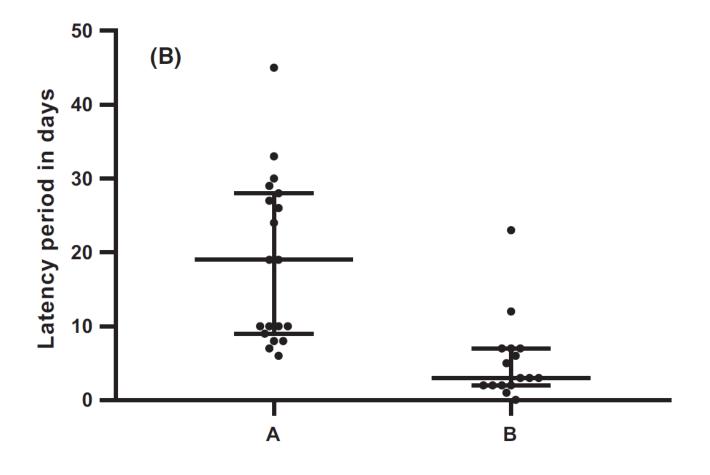
## The role of drug dose



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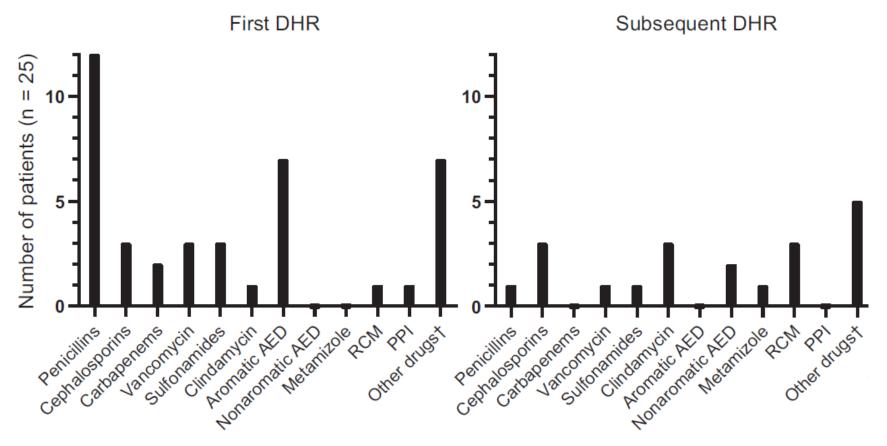
# **Latency period of MDH**



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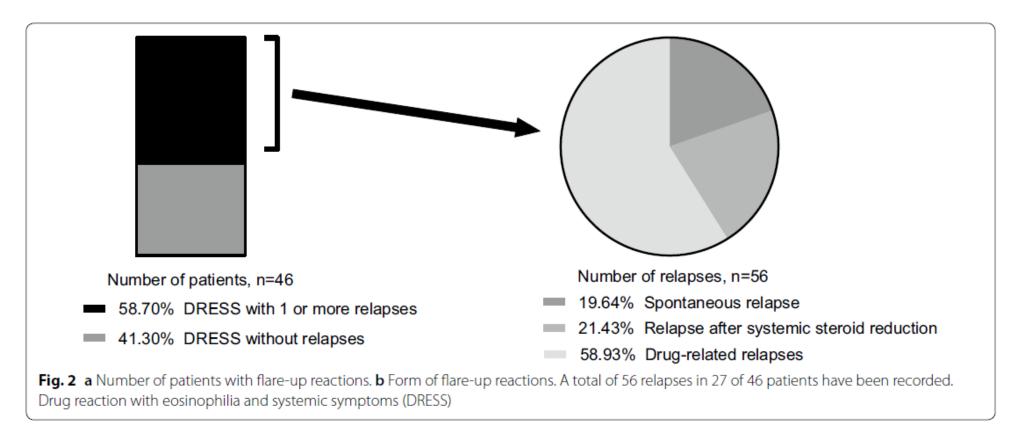
### Which drugs are involved in MDH?



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## Is MDH a result of relapses?



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### **Outlook**

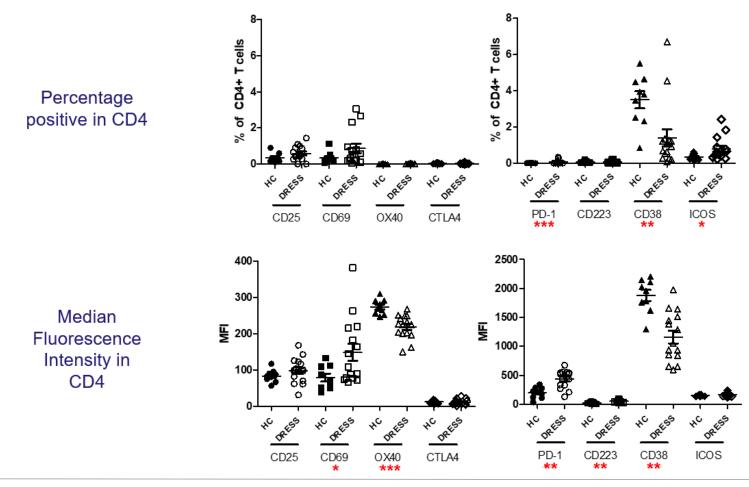
Why do some DRESS patients develop MDH and others do not?

Ongoing 4 arm study:

DRESS without MDH	DRESS / MDH	MPE without MDH	Healthy controls
Clinical presentation			
Cyto-LTT			
T-cell phenotype			

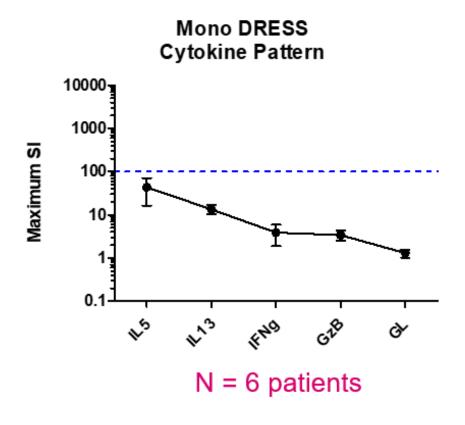


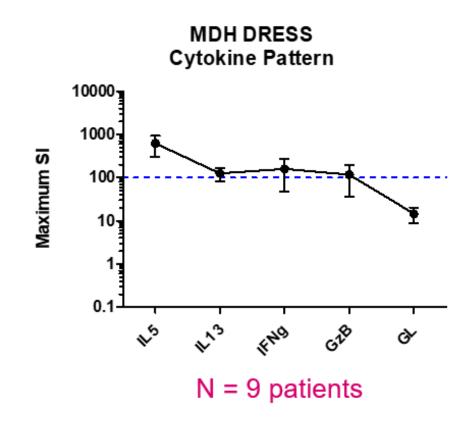
# CD4 T-cell phenotype (healthy vs. DRESS)





## IL-5 is the dominant cytokine in DRESS and DRESS/MDH







### Summary

Severe DHR, especially DRESS have a high probability to develop MDH

Subsequent DHR in MDH are often MPE

Antibiotics and high dose drugs are most often involved

Flare-up reactions/relapses can be precursor of MDH

DRESS without MDH und with MDH are probably the same phenotype



# Thank you for your attention.

