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Amoxycillin and Clavulanic Acid Induced Stevens - Johnson Syndrome: A Case Report

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ABSTRACT

Stevens-Johnson Syndrome(SJS) is a rare life-threatening mucocutaneous reaction generally induced by drugs. Antibiotics, mainly sulphonamides, are the most involved drugs in Stevens-Johnson Syndrome. Amoxycillin and clavulanic acid is a well-tolerated antibiotic but there are some previous reports linking it with the occurrence of SJS. This is a report of amoxycillin and clavulanic acid induced Stevens-Johnson Syndrome in a38-year-old female patient. The etiology of SJS is not yet fully understood but several mechanisms are proposed like the immunologic mechanism, reactive drug metabolites, or interactions between these two. Management involves early identification, withdrawal of the causative agent and rapid initiation of supportive therapies.

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