

Headache, Anxiety
Impending Sense of Doom
Visual Changes

Congestion
Post-Nasal
Drip
Runny Nose
Sneezing

Diarrhea
Lightheaded
Weak Pulse
Fainting
Pale/Blue Skin

Cough
Wheezing
Chest Tightness
Shortness of Breath

Bladder
Pain
Frequent
urge to
urinate

Trouble Swallowing
Nausea
Stomach Pain, Cramps
Vomiting
Bloating
Diarrhea

Hives
Swelling
Itching
Warmth
Redness

**Anaphylaxis,
Mast Cell Activation Syndrome,
Or
Something Else**

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Learning Objectives

- A case report
- To review the scope of mast cell activation disease, including mast cell activation syndrome (MCAS)
- To understand the spectrum and heterogeneity of anaphylaxis
- To review diagnostic and management options for anaphylaxis and mast cell activation disease (MCAD)

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What's in Name? [MCAS? Anaphylaxis?]

A doctor begins by examining the words of his patient to determine their clinical significance. He then translates the words into medical language, describing how the condition came to be, what it means, and how it may evolve.

Of all the words a doctor uses, the name he gives the illness has the greatest weight.

It forms the foundation of all subsequent discussion, not only between doctor and patient but also between doctor and doctor and between patient and patient.

With a name, the patient can construct an explanation of his illness not only for others but for himself ...

The name can also provide an instant community.

Jerome Groopman, Hurting All Over (2000)

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A case report:
Anaphylaxis? MCAS?

The word cloud for 'Anaphylaxis' includes terms like: rash, hives, swelling, difficulty breathing, throat tightness, dizziness, fainting, low blood pressure, rapid heart rate, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, skin redness, itching, wheezing, coughing, sneezing, runny nose, itchy eyes, and skin flushing.

The 'Mast Cell Activation' diagram shows a central red cell with blue granules. Surrounding it are various symptoms: Joint Pain, Rhinitis, 'allergies', Cough Wheeze, Brain fog, Lightheaded, Fatigue, Rashes, Headaches, Throat tightness, Gastro-intestinal upset, Nausea, vomiting, bloating.

Or Something Else?

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Spoiler Alert?

The 'homeostasis' word cloud includes: immune system, inflammation, allergic reaction, mast cell, histamine, serotonin, prostaglandin, leukotriene, cytokine, chemokine, lipid mediator, and neurotransmitter.

The diagram of mast cell activation shows various triggers: Mechanical wounding, Bacteria, Venoms, Parasites, UV light, and Venoms. These activate receptors like TLR-1, TLR-2, TLR-3, TLR-4, TLR-6, TLR-7, TLR-8, TLR-9, CSAR, and FcεRI. This leads to the release of histamine, prostaglandin, serotonin, cytokines, chemokines, and lipid mediators. Other effects include degradation of nocuous peptides, induction of itch (scratch reflex), recruitment of pro-inflammatory cells, vasodilation, extravasation, and activation of mast cells.

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Landmark Article
March 10, 1987
LAMA 100:269-271-803

The Care of the Patient*
Francis W. Peabody, M.D.
Boston

Take the case of a young woman, for instance, who entered the hospital with a history of nausea and discomfort in the upper part of the abdomen after eating. Mrs. Brown had "suffered many things of many physicians." Each of them gave her a tonic and limited her diet. She stopped eating everything that any of her physicians advised her to omit, and is now living on a little milk and a few crackers; but her symptoms persist

A patient
"who has nothing the matter with [her]"

Before menarche.

Meet Sara.

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After her 12th birthday, Sara started to experience

- increased frequency of headaches
- fatigue
- nausea and abdominal pain.

This coincided with the onset of her menstrual cycle and recurrent upper respiratory infection, after moving to a new home.

After several visits by her local pediatrician, her parents took her to a local allergy specialist and a pediatric gastroenterologist.

- ❖ Histamine blockade,
- ❖ tricyclic agents,
- ❖ FODmap diet was tried,

no change in her symptoms.

All of Sara's testing, requested by her general practitioner and several clinical specialists, were within normal limits: blood tests, X-rays, CAT scans, and endoscopy examinations.

Tryptase 9.4 ng/ml (Range < 11.4)

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patients who do not show objective, organic pathological conditions and who are generally spoken of as having "nothing the matter with them."

JAMA
The Journal of the American Medical Association
Vol. 255, pp. 829-820, Aug. 10, 1984

Francis Peabody's "The Care of the Patient"
Pauline L. Rubin, MD; David Rubin, MD**

- Sara's local pediatrician tried her best, sending the family to various specialists to decode the cause of her ailments, while holding off school administrators, concerned about Sara's mounting absences.
- A neurologist diagnosed Sara with a migraine disorder, postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome and suspected joint hypermobility.
- A local gastroenterologist tried to counter Sara's weight loss with different hypoallergenic formulas, via nasogastric tube feeds, but each formula caused pain.

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Functional Disorder? Dysfunctional Order?

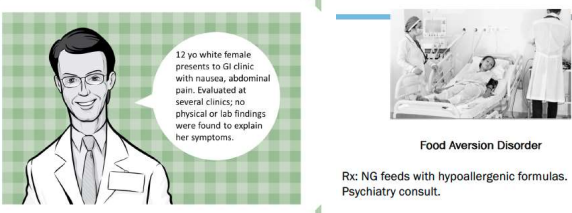
An in-patient stay, at an out of state, pediatric hospital = amplified pain program = failed to alleviate any of her pain and ultimately entertained another psychiatric diagnosis.

Another allergy evaluation = detected pollen, but no food allergies.

Despite numerous doctors' appointments, across state lines, Sara went to bed in pain and awoke with nausea and fatigue, for over a year.

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12 yo white female presents to GI clinic with nausea, abdominal pain. Evaluated at several clinics; no physical or lab findings were found to explain her symptoms.

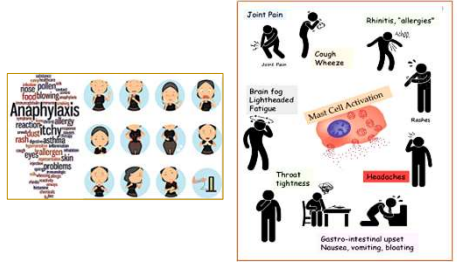
Food Aversion Disorder

Rx: NG feeds with hypoallergenic formulas. Psychiatry consult.

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Sara resisted having to go through another week of NG tube feeds; Her mother asked for another opinion and the request was denied; so Sara was placed in soft restraints for 3 days to receive NG tube feeds. No change in pain, no gain in her weight; so Sara was discharged home.

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Sara's Diagnosis?



MCAD/MCAS

Anaphylaxis

MCAS Masqueraders


- Cardiac conditions**
 - Coronary hypersensitivity (the Kounis syndrome)*
 - Postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome
- Endocrine conditions**
 - Fibromyalgia
 - Parathyroid tumor
 - Phaeochromocytoma
 - Carcinoid syndrome
- Digestive conditions**
 - Adverse reaction to food*
 - Eosinophilic esophagitis*
 - Eosinophilic gastroenteritis*
 - Gastroesophageal reflux disease
 - Gluten enteropathy
 - Irritable bowel syndrome
 - Vasovagal intestinal peptide-secreting tumor
- Immunologic conditions**
 - Autoinflammatory disorders such as deficiency of interleukin-1-receptor antagonist*
 - Familial hyper-IgE syndrome
 - Vasculitis*
- Neurologic and psychiatric conditions**
 - Anxiety
 - Chronic fatigue syndrome
 - Depression
 - Migraines
 - Mixed organic brain syndrome
 - Somatoform disorder
 - Autonomic dysfunction
 - Multiple sclerosis
- Skin conditions**
 - Angioedema*
 - Allergic dermatitis*
 - Chronic urticaria*
 - Scleroderma*

Localized mast-cell activation can occur.

MCAD/MCAS Symptoms: Joint Pain, Brain fog, Lightheaded, Fatigue, Throat tightness, Gastro-intestinal upset (Nausea, vomiting, bloating), Rhinitis, "allergies", Cough, Wheeze, Hives, Headaches.

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Hereditary Alpha Trypsinemia




Before menarche.

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One Gene Mutation Links Three Mysterious, Debilitating Diseases


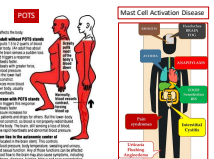
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Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome (EDS), Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome (POTS), and Mast Cell Activation Syndrome (MCAS) — a trifecta of weird diseases. POTS, EDS, and MCAS are so obscure that many doctors have never even heard of

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HYPER-ALPHA TRYPTASEMIA (HαT)

Findings associated with multiplications of TPSAB1 gene:

- Connective Tissue Abnormalities
- Dysautonomia
- Mast Cell Activation

Elevated basal serum tryptase identifies a multisystem disorder associated with increased TPSAB1 copy number

Genetics

Background: Elevated basal serum tryptase identifies a multisystem disorder associated with increased TPSAB1 copy number. This study aims to determine the prevalence of allergic disease and mast cell activation syndrome in Eilers-Danlos Syndrome patients. Methods: Patients with confirmed genetic diagnosis of Eilers-Danlos Syndrome were identified at an allergist's clinical practice. Information regarding patients' allergic rhinitis, asthma, urticaria and angioedema were obtained via validated questionnaires. Chart review was also conducted.

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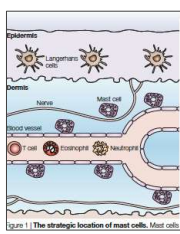
209 A New Disease Cluster: Mast Cell Activation Syndrome, Pseudoallergic Telangiectatic Syndrome, and Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome

Background: Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome (EDS) is a group of connective tissue disorders characterized by hyperelasticity of skin, discolored sclerae, and joint hypermobility. In this study, we describe a new disease cluster associated with mast cell activation. Herein, we describe a new unique phenotype, characterized by the co-occurrence of three disorders: POTS, Eilers-Danlos syndrome (EDS) and mast cell activation syndrome (MCAS).

Methods: Participants with diagnosis of POTS and EDS were recruited from throughout North America through a patient support group and evaluated by questionnaire and supporting documentation. A formal diagnosis of POTS by a cardiologist (double confirmation via tilt-table test). A formal diagnosis of EDS required assessment by a dermatologist at a Beighton score of ≥5/9 and a diagnostic skin biopsy. A questionnaire for MCAS was based on diagnostic criteria and validated symptoms as reported by Akita, Naito and Morise (2010).

Results: 15 participants completed questionnaires with required documentation. All eligible participants were female. 12 of these people had formal diagnoses of POTS (80%), 9 were diagnosed with both POTS and EDS, and 9 patients with both POTS and EDS had validated symptoms of a mast cell disorder (60%), suggestive of MCAS.

Conclusions: From these pilot data, it appears that a mast cell disorder may frequently co-occur with POTS and a collagen disorder such as EDS.



36 PREVALENCE OF ALLERGIC DISORDERS AND MAST CELL ACTIVATION SYNDROME IN PATIENTS WITH EILERS-DANLOS SYNDROME.

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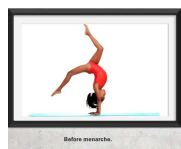

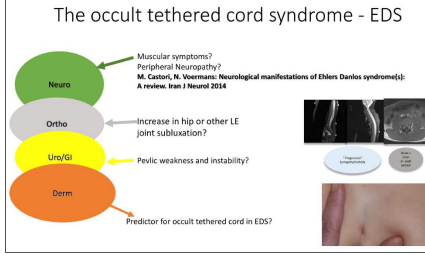
Figure 1 The strategic location of mast cells. Mast cells

Earlier observations of disorders traveling with Mast Cells/Connective Tissue/Nerve Crosstalk

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Etiology of Sara's pain with eating?

The occult tethered cord syndrome - EDS

Neuro: Muscular symptoms? Peripheral Neuropathy? *M. Cantor, M. Neumann; Neurological manifestations of Ehlers Danlos syndrome(s); A review. Iran J Neurol 2014*

Ortho: Increase in hip or other LE joint subluxation?

Uro/GI: Pelvic weakness and instability?

Derm: Predictor for occult tethered cord in EDS?


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RESEARCH REVIEW

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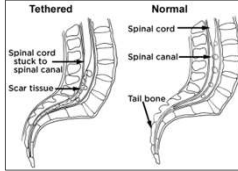
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Neurological and Spinal Manifestations of the Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes

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From HαT to OCT: Team Effort!

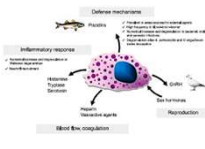
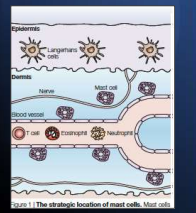
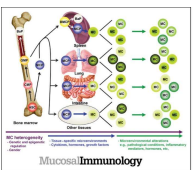


Diseased Filum Terminale as a Cause of Tethered Cord Syndrome in Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome: Histopathology, Biomechanics, Clinical Presentation, and Outcome of Filum Excision

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Mast Cells and Mast Cell Activation (MCA)



Mucosal Immunology

284 M. Salo et al. / Immunology 133 (2009) 283–288

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Mechanisms of Disease

The Rise of 'Allergic' Disorders:

Allergy = allos, 'other or different' + ergia, 'energy or action'

The New England Journal of Medicine

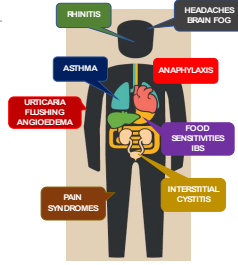
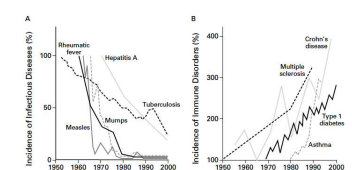


Figure 1 Inverse Relation between the Incidence of Prototypical Infectious Diseases (Panel A) and the Incidence of Immune Disorders (Panel B) from 1950 to 2000.

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By 2010,
a growing number of patients and practitioners recognize MCA events beyond ...

Allergic inflammation

Histamine Release

Inflammation of Epithelial Borders

The big 3 A's:
Allergic Rhinitis, Asthma, Anaphylaxis

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Mast Cell Activation Syndromes

Allergy

REVIEW ARTICLE
Mast cell activation syndromes: definition and classification
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Mast Cell Activation Syndrome

When symptoms are

- recurrent,
- accompanied by an increase in mast cell–derived mediators in biological fluids, and
- responsive to treatment with mast cell–stabilizing or mediator–targeting drugs

the diagnosis of mast cell activation syndrome (MCAS) is appropriate.

MCAS = increased capacity of mast cells and basophils to release mediators of anaphylaxis, in response to cell activation, also termed 'releasability'

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MCA in 2 or more organ systems?

Mast Cell Activation Disorders

Mast Cell Activation Syndrome: A newly recognized disorder with systemic clinical manifestations

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Better with anti-MC/MC mediator medications?

- Histamine Blockade
- Leukotriene Antagonists
- Cromones
- Omalizumab
- Ketotifen

MCA events associated w/ validated MCA markers

- Tryptase
- Urine Methylhistamine
- Urine Prostaglandin D2
- Urine 11- Beta Prostaglandin F2alpha
- C kit mutation- fissure, peripheral blood
- CD25+ MC in biopsies
- Clustered MC in biopsies

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Criterion #1 MCAS Signs and Symptoms

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✓ Symptoms?

✓ Better with treatments that target MC or MC mediators?

✓ Test Results?

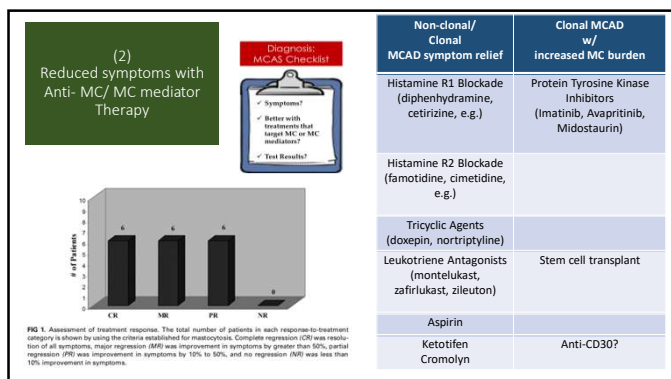
TABLE II. Signs and symptoms of patients with MCAS

Sign or symptom	Total (%), n = 18
Abdominal pain	17 (94)
Dermatographism	16 (89)
Flushing	16 (89)
Headache	15 (83)
Poor concentration and memory	12 (67)
Diarrhea	12 (67)
Naso-ocular	7 (39)
Asthma	7 (39)
Anaphylaxis	3 (17)

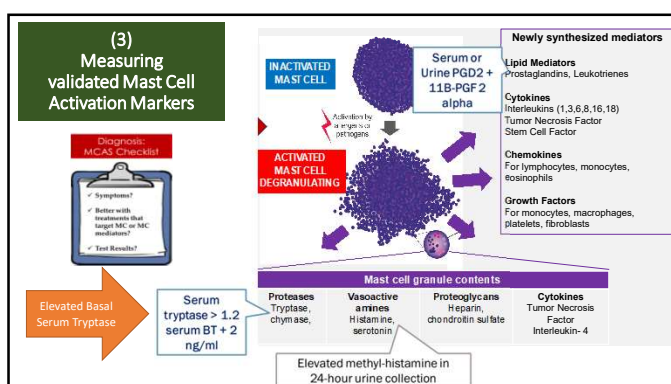
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Clinical Consequences of MC Derived Chemical Mediator Release (MCAD/MCAS)

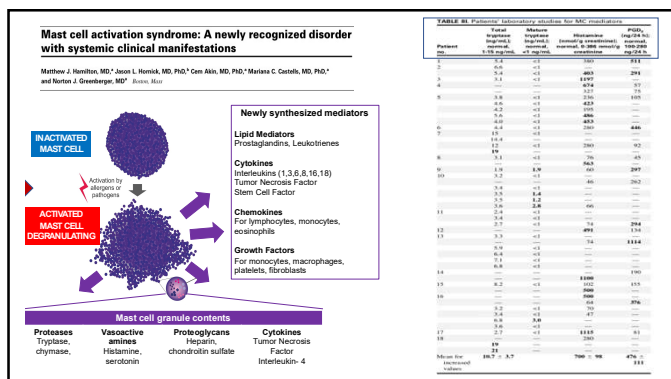
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Histopathology:
Clonal MCAD
Systemic mastocytosis (SM),
monoclonal MC activation syndrome (MMAS)

Fig 3. Bone marrow findings in patients with mast cell activation disorders. A, Tryptase-positive bone marrow and/or increased diffuse, scattered spindle-shaped mast cells that do not form compact aggregates. B, Small-sized multifocal aggregates of mast cells were found, some of which contained flat or microtubular cells. Mast cell expression (CD117) findings in Fig 1, A, are consistent with the diagnosis of an MMAS, whereas findings in Fig 1, B, are consistent with the diagnosis of systemic mastocytosis.

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Hyper-Alpha Tryptasemia (HaT) : EDS-MCAS-POTS

Our findings link findings (germline) duplication in TPSAB1 (the alpha-tryptase gene) with Irritable bowel syndrome / Cutaneous complaints / Connective Tissue Abnormalities / Dysautonomia

Elevated basal serum tryptase identifies a multisystem disorder associated with increased *TPSAB1* copy number

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Conclusions: patients with clinical manifestations of MC activation and a baseline serum tryptase > 8 ng/mL and who are undergoing upper endoscopy for intestinal symptoms should have specific stains to identify MCs

Group	None	Present
Control	29 (91%)	3 (9%)
MCAS-HaT	12 (38%)	19 (58%)
HaT	12 (31%)	27 (69%)

FIGURE 3. Patients with HaT demonstrate higher numbers of MCs when compared with MCAS-HaT. In addition, MC clusters (rod groups) of at least 2 and/or > 10 cells appearing to touch each other are present in the lamina propria and muscularis mucosae in HaT patients and in the lamina propria in MCAS-HaT patients (CD117 stain).

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- Hypersensitivity disorders, including MCAD/MCAS and anaphylaxis are sometimes applied to patients with vague yet suggestive symptoms.
- These patients may suffer from an unrelated, overlooked disease.
- Applying solid diagnostic criteria, when considering the MCAD/MCAS-anaphylaxis diagnosis, helps avoid wasting time and money.



"I'll do some tests rather than give you a guess."

Mast Cell Activation Disorders On the Rise

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It's just allergies, take an anti-histamine

Should I tell him?

Delayed Diagnosis of MCAS is common

- patient has to recognize that they have a medical problem that warrants mention
- Next, the PCP has to recognize that the patient may have an inflammatory disorder that may benefit from referral to a specialist
- Specialist has to recognize that there is a lack of objective markers for MCAD/MCAS

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MCAS Clinical Criterion	Not diagnostic for MCAS
<p>Acute onset of symptoms with involvement of 2 or more organ systems as below:</p> <p>Cutaneous Flushing Itching Hives Exanthema</p> <p>Respiratory Increase of nasal secretions Wheezing Stridor New-onset cough Hoarseness Croup-like symptoms</p> <p>Cardiovascular Hypotension Tachycardia Palpitations</p>	<p>Possible MCAS symptoms might be accompanied by further features that are not considerations or diagnostic for MCAS</p> <p>Headache Headache is not a diagnostic criterion for MCAS</p> <p>Diarrhea Diarrhea is not a diagnostic criterion for MCAS</p> <p>Abdominal pain Abdominal pain is not a diagnostic criterion for MCAS</p> <p>Other symptoms Other symptoms are not diagnostic for MCAS</p>

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Diagnosis of mast cell activation syndrome: a global "consensus-2"

Overdiagnosis by "consensus-2" criteria has potential to be problematic, but underdiagnosis by "consensus-1" criteria seems the far larger problem given (1) increasing appreciation that MCAS is prevalent (up to 17% of the general population), and (2) most MCAS patients, regardless of illness duration prior to diagnosis, can eventually identify treatment yielding sustained improvement.

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Unspoken 4th Criterion: r/o MCAS mimics

SKIN hives, swelling, itching, warmth, redness	RESPIRATORY coughing, wheezing, shortness of breath, chest pain or tightness, throat tightness, trouble swallowing, hoarse voice, nasal congestion or hay fever-like symptoms, (swelling or runny or itchy nose, red, itchy or watery eyes)	GASTROINTESTINAL nausea, stomach pain or cramps, vomiting, diarrhea	CARDIOVASCULAR dizziness/ lightheadedness, pale/blue colour, weak pulse, fainting, shock, loss of consciousness	NEUROLOGICAL anxiety, feeling of "something is off" (feeling that something really bad is about to happen), headache
OTHER uterine cramps				

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Non-Clonal Mast Cell Activation: A Growing Body of Evidence
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patients present with ... signs and symptoms suggesting mast cell activation disease without

- systemic mastocytosis (SM)
- autoimmune urticaria, or
- IgE-mediated allergy.

Other medical inflammatory conditions, auto-immune diseases, malignant processes, and infections have been ruled out.

Objective markers for MCAD/MCAS are lacking at this time.

Consider a diagnosis of MCAS and optimize management,

- use of therapies to block MCA/ MC-mediator action
- Diagnosis and therapy of any associated conditions

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Allergen testing
Cellular Panel EGD/ Colonoscopy

PIDD evaluation
Primary Immune Deficiency Disorder

Allergen testing
Some food (wheat/gluten, peanuts, eggs, nuts and shellfish, milk*, egg*, soy*)
Medications
Airborne Allergens
Insect stings or bites

Rheumatology Panel
ANA, RF, ANCA, Thyroid Abs, Neutonal Abs, PIDD evaluation

Connective Tissue Disorder EDS Screen
Physical stimuli, such as pressure, cold, heat, exercise or sun exposure

If 5 of 9 are present with a sensitivity of 99.6% and a specificity of 98% there is a form of EDS present:

- Peri-arthralgia (more than 1 joint more than 3 months)
- Fatigue (chronic, disabling more than 6 months)
- motor dysproprioception (the door sign)
- joint instability (subluxations, dislocations often autoreducing)
- skin fragility (atrophic scarring, delayed wound healing)
- Hypermobility (pos Beighton / 5 point historic questionnaire / pos glomerulo-humeral abduction above 95 degrees),
- gastro-esophageal reflux (treated)
- Ecchymosis (spontaneous)
- Hypercucis (fragility to sounds below 50 decibel)

Hamonnet C., et al. "Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome (EDS) - Contribution to Clinical Diagnosis - A Prospective Study of 853 Patients". *EC Neurology* 18.6 (2018).

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MCAD evaluation:
retrospective study of 986 patients at a single site

Clinical Commentary Review

Doctor, I Think I Am Suffering from MCAS: Differential Diagnosis and Separating Facts from Fiction

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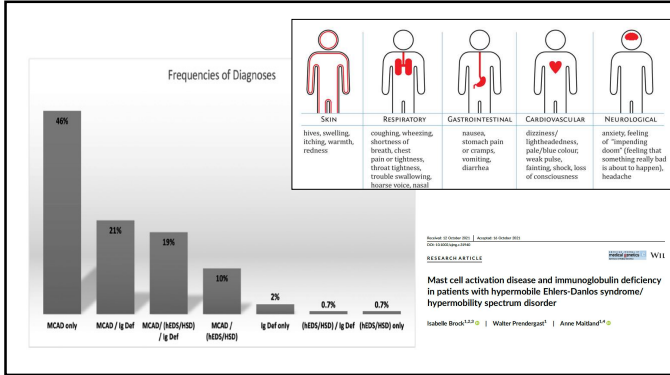
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Mast cell activation disease and immunoglobulin deficiency in patients with hypermobile Ehlers-Danlos syndrome/hypermobility spectrum disorder

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Anaphylaxis

FIG 1. Mechanism involved in anaphylaxis.

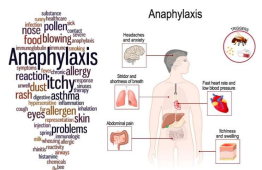
FIG 2. Pathogenesis of anaphylaxis: LTB₄, Leukotriene B₄, PGG₂, prostaglandin G₂.

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Grand Rounds Review

Insect Sting Anaphylaxis—Or Mastocytosis—Or Something Else?

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Case Report

- 62 yo Caucasian female, former nurse,
- h/o cardiac vasospasm (cardiac cath-1991),
- complex regional pain syndrome (1992);
- b/l DCIS = underwent b/l mastectomy 1999);
- Thoracic Outlet Syndrome (1991); carpal tunnel syndrome
- rx for GERD;
- h/o DVT and pulmonary emboli, prothrombin gene Mutation Heterozygotic (2002)
- h/o cat and pollen allergy, migraine headaches
- In 2010 - Previously evaluated for insect venom allergy by local NJ allergist; honey bee and wasp sting caused flushing and lightheadedness, started VIT but had anaphylaxis, referred to Maryland A/I practice – accused of malingering
- Consumed fish, elevated Mercury level 1.6

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Evaluated in 2012 for recurrent infections- sinusitis, bronchitis, moderate persistent asthma

- PST +ve Alternaria, cat, dog,
- neg venom Immunocap
- Found to Selective IGA and IGG deficiency- no change with prophylactic abx, ICS and adjuvant therapy
- Scratched by her cat with CNS effects – suspected Bartonella Henselae and empiric treatment doxycycline and rifampin by ID specialist
- started on Gammagard 2015 and Xolair (2017), persistent moderate asthma and CRS
- 2017 Beighton Screen 9/9
- 2018 Gene-by Gene Test = calculated alpha tryptase copy number = n3, beta copy = 2

lab test	value
Tryptase	11.0 ng/ml (< 11.4) 2012 10.0 ng/ml (2-10) 2013 9.0 ng/ml (2-10) 2015
IGG	815 (694-1618 mg/Dl)
IGA	70 (81-463 mg/Dl)
IGM	81 (48-271 mg/Dl)
IGE	15 (< 100 IU/ml)
WBC	4.8 (3.8-10.8)

Case Report:

Allergen Specific IgE
Primary Immune Deficiency
Autoimmune Disease (Hashimoto's dz)
Hyper Alpha Tryptasemia (HaT)
Hypermobile Ehlers Danlos Syndrome
Autonomic Dysfunction – Dyspropriception/
Small Fiber Neuro.


Elevated basal serum tryptase identifies a multisystem disorder associated with increased TPSA1 copy number

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1st experimental evidence of Hypersensitivity ana (against) + phylaxis (protection)

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The discovery of anaphylaxis began aboard one of Prince Robert of Monaco's yachts. Monaco commemorated the accomplishment with a series of stamps, but unfortunately depicted the wrong vessel. Background photo: courtesy of Fredegar and Marthe Image Bank/University of Washington

The Unexpected Discovery of Anaphylaxis
How the sting of the Portuguese man-of-war led to one of the most significant medical advances rooted in oceanographic work.

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Alergy, Asthma & Clinical Immunology

Critical view of anaphylaxis epidemiology: open questions and new perspectives

Similarities and Differences in anaphylaxis definitions worldwide

AAAAIA/CAAI Guidelines (Liberman et al., 2010) (6)	NIAD (Sampson et al., 2006) (1)	EACI Guidelines (Muraro et al., 2014) (3)	WAO Guidelines (Simons et al., 2011) (7)	ASCIAP Practice Essentials (Brown et al., 2006) (8)
"an acute life-threatening systemic reaction with varied mechanisms, clinical presentations, and severity that results from the sudden release of mediators from mast cells and basophils"	"a serious allergic reaction that involves more than one organ system (e.g. skin, respiratory tract, and/or gastrointestinal tract). It can begin very rapidly, and symptoms may be severe or life-threatening"	"a severe life-threatening generalized or systemic hypersensitivity reaction"	"a serious life-threatening generalized or systemic hypersensitivity reaction" and "a serious allergic reaction that is rapid in onset and might cause death"	"a serious, rapid-onset, allergic reaction that may cause death"

ences in anaphylaxis definitions worldwide [1, 3, 6–8]

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Anaphylaxis

Systemic anaphylaxis represents the most dramatic and potentially catastrophic manifestation of immediate hypersensitivity

REVIEW
CURRENT CONCEPTS
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ANAPHYLAXIS
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SKIN	RESPIRATORY	GASTROINTESTINAL	CARDIOVASCULAR	NEUROLOGICAL
hives, swelling, itching, warmth, redness	coughing, wheezing, shortness of breath, chest pain or tightness, throat tightness, trouble swallowing, hoarse voice, nasal congestion or hay fever-like symptoms, (swelling or runny or itchy nose, red, itchy or watery eyes)	nausea, stomach pain or cramps, vomiting, diarrhea	dizziness/ lightheadedness, pale/blue colour, weak pulse, fainting, shock, loss of consciousness	anxiety, feeling of "impending doom" (feeling that something really bad is about to happen), headache
OTHER uterine cramps				

Anaphylaxis: Signs and Symptoms

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Anaphylaxis: Phenotypes and Endotypes

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Pathways
IgE, IgG
Complement, Contact system
Non-immune: MRGPRX2

Cofactors
Drugs (NSAIDs, Statins, ACE inhibitors)
Exercise
Alcohol...

Cell types
Mast cells
Basophils
Neutrophils
Macrophages

Mediators
Histamine, PAF, cys-LT, adenosine, PGE2,...

Anaphylaxis

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Group/Subgroup	Characteristics
Spontaneous urticaria	
Acute urticaria	Spontaneous wheals < 6 weeks
Chronic urticaria	Spontaneous wheals > 6 weeks
Physical urticaria	
<i>Eliciting factors</i>	
Acquired cold urticaria	Cold air/water/wind/food/objects
Delayed pressure urticaria	Vertical pressure (wheals arising with a 3-8 h latency)
Heat urticaria	Localized heat
Solar urticaria	UV and/or visible light
Dermographic urticaria/urticaria factitia/	Mechanical shearing forces (wheals arising after 1-5 min)
Vibratory urticaria/angioedema	Vibratory forces, e.g. pneumatic hammer
Other urticaria disorders	
Aquagenic urticaria	Water
Cholinergic urticaria	Increase of body temperature
Contact urticaria	Contact with urticarogenic substance
Exercise-induced anaphylaxis/urticaria	Physical exercise
UV, ultraviolet	

Physical Urticarias: Direct Bi-directional Mast Cell-Nerve Crosstalk

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Vibratory Urticaria Associated with a Missense Variant in ADGRE2

Steven E. Bayless, Ph.D., Anweri Choud, M.S., Glenn Crowe, Ph.D., Michael L. Young, M.D., Ph.D., Hyeonung C. Balar, M.S.N., Linda M. Scott, M.S.N., A. Babak Eshaghi, M.D., Daniel Long, B.S., B.A., Chae-Chae Lee, M.D., Ph.D., Colleen L. Saporito, B.S., Andrew J. Palmer, Ph.D., Ana Oliveira, Ph.D., James C. Mulliken, Ph.D., Elaine Conway, Ph.D., Andrew Manganaro, M.D., Ph.D., Myra Medley-Hughes, Ph.D., Kenneth E. Kral, Ph.D., David J. Kenner, M.D., Ph.D., David D. Metcalfe, M.D., and Hersh D. Komarow, M.D.

Autosomal Dominant mast cell activation disorder

Localized hives at the site of mechanoreceptor-vibration or

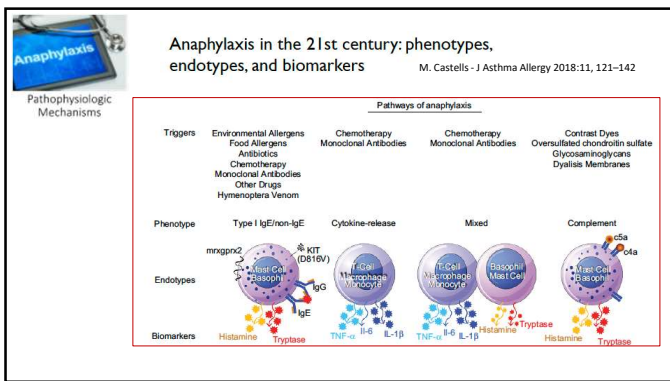
Systemic manifestations in response to local friction stimulus

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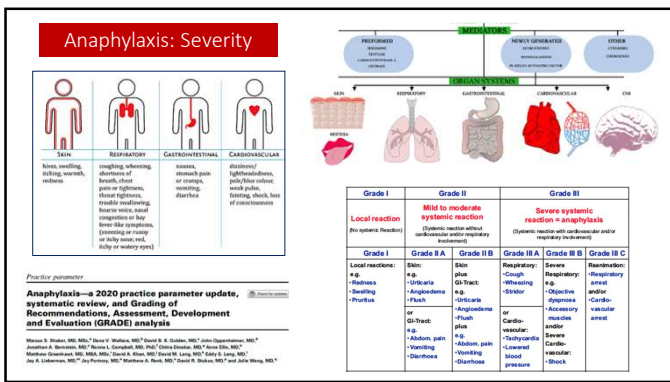
Anaphylaxis: Risk Factors

- Atopy
- Gender
 - Females, during reproductive years
- Mast Cell Disease
 - Systemic Mastocytosis, Monoclonal Mast Cell Activation Disease and Hereditary alpha Tryptasemia
- Cardiovascular disease and Medications for CV dz
 - Statins (impacts PAF-Bradykinin pathways)
 - ACE/BB blockers
- Asthma
- Older Age
- Antigen
 - Food
 - Drugs
 - Antibiotics, RCM, NSAIDs, ACE/BB blockers
 - Neuromuscular Blocking Agents- tubocurarine, atracurium, or cisatracurium
 - Latex
 - Venom Stings
- Exercise
- Alcohol


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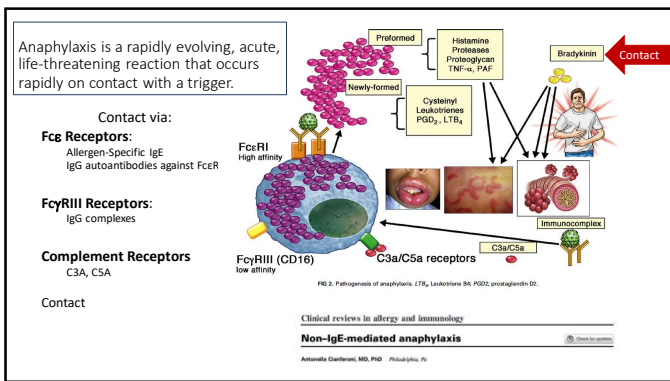


Anaphylaxis is Heterogeneous Syndrome

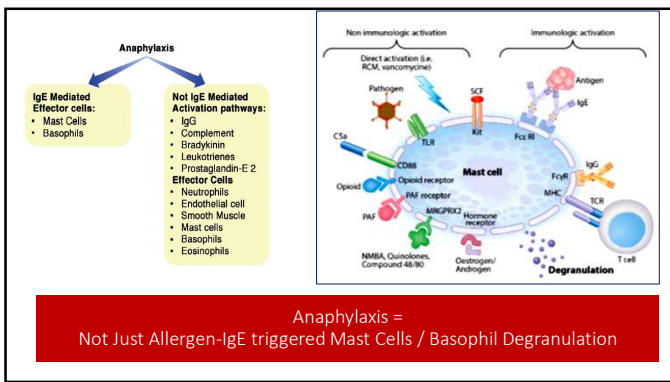
Anaphylaxis Is a Complex Disease with Clinical Variability

- Anaphylaxis Definitions
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 - Systemic Mastocytosis, HcT, MMAS
- Phenotypes and Endotypes
- Response to therapy

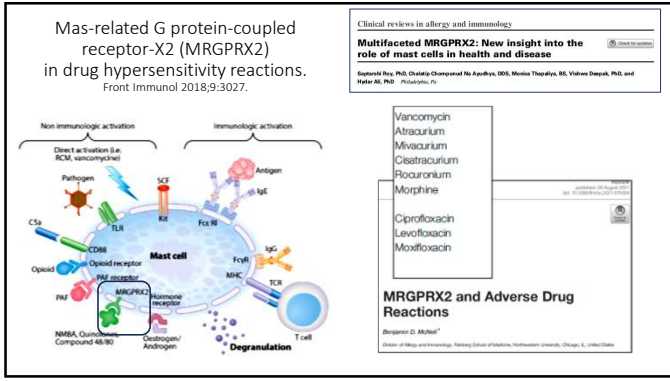
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Two Degranulation Pathways: Monophasic vs Biphasic Reactions?

Mast cells (MCs), basophils and eosinophils express MRGPRX2 receptors

COMMENTARY *The Journal of Clinical Investigation*

How mast cells make decisions

John Kalesnikoff and Susan M. Hahnke^{1,2*}
 Mast cells (MCs) are present in various tissues and are responsible for a variety of functions. Recent studies have demonstrated that MCs can take two responses, depending on the stimulus presented and the location to which they are recruited. In this issue of the JCI, Kalesnikoff and colleagues analyze the molecular differences between MC responses observed after engagement of FcεR1 receptors and those seen after MRGPRX2 stimulation. In the newly identified protein-coupled receptor (GPCR), by showing that distinct cellular activation patterns affect the phenotype of the MC response to one and the same, the authors provide important new insights into the MCs. This study provides a new view of the distinct degranulation programs.

Figures 1. Different granule processing after both engagement versus CD80 engagement. Mast cells (MCs) launch very specific response programs.

Mast cells launch very specific response programs depending on the nature of the stimulus: FcR vs. MRGPRX2 receptors

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Anaphylaxis Is a Complex Disease with Clinical Variability

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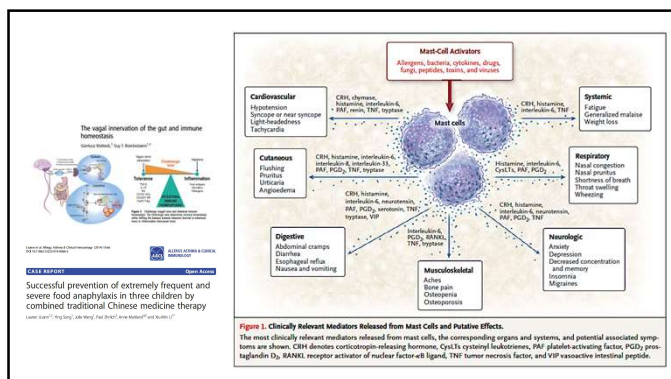
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Anaphylaxis Diagnosis is highly likely:

- acute onset of an illness (minutes to hours) with involvement of the skin, mucosal tissue, or both with either respiratory involvement or reduced blood pressure (BP)/associated symptom of end-organ dysfunction
- >2 of the following that occur rapidly after exposure to a likely allergen for the patient, including
 - involvement of skin-mucosal tissue,
 - respiratory involvement,
 - reduced blood pressure or associated symptoms
- reduced blood pressure as a result of exposure to a known [allergen] trigger.

Shaker et al, JACI 145 (4):1082-1123 (2020)

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Re: Something else?
Consider this...

- Mast cells arise from bone marrow and embryonal progenitor cells, resident broadly in vascularized tissues, throughout the body.
- Signals from surrounding microenvironment direct MC progenitor differentiation.
- Mast cells are common at sites in the body that are exposed to the external environment, contributing to barrier function, situated near nerves and blood vessels.
- Responses to external and internal stimuli must be tightly regulated to prevent the pathology associated with unnecessary immune activation.
- The crucial role of the tissues in regulating immunity is increasingly being recognized.

Figure 1 | The strategic location of mast cells. Mast cells

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MCAD/MCAS vs Anaphylaxis

#1 Symptoms?

- Headaches
- Brain fog
- Flushing
- Comping
- Head
- Diarrhea

#2 Response to medications?

- Headaches
- Brain fog
- Flushing
- Comping
- Head
- Diarrhea

#3 Positive lab tests?

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Perspective

Mast cell activation syndromes and anaphylaxis

Multiple diseases part of the same spectrum

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Anaphylaxis Is a Complex Disease with Clinical Variability

Severity of Signs and Symptoms

Natural History

- Age of Onset
- Disease Progression

Risk of adverse anaphylaxis outcomes

- Loss of life or diminished organ function

Pathophysiologic Characteristics

Response to therapy

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Mast Cell Activation Disease, including MCAS

Hypertryptasemia – Mast Cells that have increased copies of the tryptase gene, patients exhibit MCAS signs and Symptoms

Misophelia – Idiopathic anaphylaxis, Idiopathic Urticaria

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R/O Disorders that Mimic these Multi-system, Hypersensitivity Syndromes

Category	Disorders
SKIN	Hives, swelling, itching, warmth, redness
RESPIRATORY	Coughing, wheezing, shortness of breath, chest pain or tightness, throat tightness, trouble swallowing, hoarse voice, nasal congestion or hay fever-like symptoms, (swelling or runny or itchy nose, red, itchy or watery eyes)
GASTROINTESTINAL	Nausea, stomach pain or cramps, vomiting, diarrhea
CARDIOVASCULAR	Dizziness/lightheadedness, pale/blue colour, weak pulse, fainting, shock, loss of consciousness
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OTHER	uterine cramps

Cardiac conditions
 Coronary hypersensitivity (the Kounis syndrome)* Postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome

Endocrine conditions
 Fibromyalgia Parathyroid tumor Pheochromocytoma Carcinoid syndrome

Digestive conditions
 Adverse reaction to food* Eosinophilic esophagitis* Eosinophilic gastroenteritis* Gastroesophageal reflux disease; Gluten enteropathy; Irritable bowel syndrome; Vasoactive intestinal peptide-secreting tumor

Immunologic conditions
 Auto-inflammatory disorders such as deficiency of inter-leukin-1-receptor antagonist*; Familial hyper-IgE syndrome Vasculitis*

Neurologic/psychiatric conditions
 Anxiety; Chronic fatigue syndrome Depression; Headaches; Mixed organic brain syndrome; Somatization disorder; Autonomic dysfunction; Multiple sclerosis

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Prevention of MCA / Anaphylactic Event

Pre-Medication Plan

For major and minor procedures/surgery and/or radiology procedures, including ultrasound, with and without dyes.

ADMINISTER
 At 12 hours and 1 hour prior to surgery or dye administration give:
 (use one of the age)

- Benadryl** (diphenhydramine) 25 mg orally or 10 cc of Atarax (clemastine fumarate) 20 mg orally, or equivalent non-sedating antihistamine. Examples: Zyrtec (cetirizine) 10 mg IV or PO may be used as a long-acting alternative. Claritin (loratadine), Allegra (fexofenadine)
- Epipen** (epinephrine) 20 mg orally. Another 10 antagonist is terapanolol (sildenafil)
- Singulair** (montelukast) Examples: Accolate (zafirlukast), Zafexor (liklutam)

Medications to Be Avoided

AVOID

- Any medication to which the patient has a listed allergy
- Aspirin and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications. If the patient has a known adverse reaction
- Morphine and codeine derivatives (rentanyl is the preferred opioid)
- Vaccination given IV. oral route may be tolerated in some patients
- Quinolones

Please note this is a standardized protocol. Each protocol should be personalized for the patient with the help of a mast cell specialist. Some institutions/medical departments have their own protocols. Be sure to discuss IN ADVANCE with your physicians and those departments.

Physician Orders: _____
 Physician Signature: _____ Date: _____

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At Risk for MCA event / Anaphylaxis: Medications to use and Avoid

The Mast Cell Disease Society Quick Reference Guide

Medications to avoid or use with caution in patients with mast cell disease in emergency situations

Please note: Some of the medications listed may be given if absolutely necessary. If given with a pump to stabilize mast cells, please refer to one of our mast cell experts for instructions.

Medication Type	Avoid or Use with Caution	Medications That are Typically Tolerated
General Medications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> alcohol aspirin/NSAIDs beta-blockers botulinum toxin codeine codeine derivatives (rentanyl is the preferred opioid) ferrous sulfate gabapentin haloperidol higher alcohol/alcoholics inhaled corticosteroids ketorolac 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> calcium channel blockers corticosteroids gabapentin gabapentin derivatives gabapentin/pregabalin gabapentin/pregabalin gabapentin/pregabalin gabapentin/pregabalin gabapentin/pregabalin
Pain Medications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> opioids acetaminophen non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) ketorolac gabapentin gabapentin derivatives gabapentin/pregabalin gabapentin/pregabalin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> acetaminophen gabapentin/pregabalin gabapentin/pregabalin gabapentin/pregabalin gabapentin/pregabalin gabapentin/pregabalin gabapentin/pregabalin gabapentin/pregabalin gabapentin/pregabalin
General Anesthetics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> propofol etomidate midazolam nitrous oxide sevoflurane isoflurane halothane desflurane enflurane 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> propofol etomidate midazolam nitrous oxide sevoflurane isoflurane halothane desflurane enflurane
Local Anesthetics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> bupivacaine propofol propofol propofol propofol propofol propofol propofol propofol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> bupivacaine propofol propofol propofol propofol propofol propofol propofol propofol
Intravenous Sedation Medications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> propofol propofol propofol propofol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> propofol propofol propofol propofol
Inhaled Anesthetics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sevoflurane 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sevoflurane

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ACUTE TREATMENT

Anaphylaxis is highly likely when any one of the following three criteria is fulfilled:

- 1** Sudden onset of an illness (minutes to several hours), with involvement of the skin, mucosal tissue, or both (e.g. generalized hives, itching or flushing, swollen lips/tongue/uvula) **AND AT LEAST ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**
 - Sudden respiratory compromise and signs of hypoxemia (e.g. wheezing or stridor), persistent vomiting or diarrhea, hypotension or syncope.
 - Sudden onset of airway obstruction or hypoxemia (e.g. stridor or wheezing), hypotension or syncope.
 - Sudden onset of symptoms of shock or collapse.
- 2** Two or more of the following that occur suddenly after exposure to a likely allergen or other trigger** for that patient (minutes to several hours):
 - Sudden skin or mucosal symptoms and signs (e.g. hives) or hypotension or collapse.
 - Sudden respiratory compromise or hypoxemia (e.g. wheezing or stridor), hypotension or syncope.
 - Sudden onset of symptoms of shock or collapse.
- 3** Reduced blood pressure (BP) after exposure to a known allergen** for that patient
 - Infants and children: systolic BP lower than 70 mm Hg or greater than 30% decrease in systolic BP**
 - Adults: systolic BP of less than 90 mm Hg or greater than 30% decrease from that person's baseline

Anaphylaxis in a Patient with Most Cell Disease

PLEASE PLACE PATIENT IN RECLINING POSITION AND ADMINISTER

- Epinephrine 0.3 mL of 1:1000 (0.3 mg) subcutaneous (SC) or intramuscular (IM) every 15-20 minutes until blood pressure (BP) stabilizes.
- Oxygen by mask or nasal cannula.
- If trigger is present, remove trigger (e.g. stop eating if possible).
- Antihistamines (H1-antihistamines): 20-40 mg intravenously (slow IV push) every 2-6 hours, or oral/dose (e.g. cetirizine, fexofenadine) or Montelukast (Montelukast: 20 mg intramuscular dose every 2-6 hours).
- Albuterol by nebulization / Alternatively, nebulized epinephrine can be given by nebulization.
- Low-dose (low-dose) corticosteroids (e.g. methylprednisolone) 1 mg/kg intravenously or 2 mg/kg intramuscularly.
- Glucagon** for patients on beta-blockers who do not respond to epinephrine or who have cardiac disease that make cardiostimulant treatment of epinephrine contraindicated.
- Opioids: Practice caution with opioid.

Call 911 and take the patient to the closest emergency room.

Please call for a greater list of agents. Treatment level to be discussed with 20 minutes of symptoms onset.

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Potential MCAS/MCAD Therapies

Targeting nerve-NC interactions
Acupuncture, Physical Therapy, Compression Garments, Thyroid agents, Anti CGRP therapies, Yoga, Stimulation, Oxygen Therapy

Targeting the epidermal
Medication Emollients, Traditional Chinese Medicine, Topicals

Immunomodulatory agents
Antibiotics (macrolides, e.g.), Omalizumab, Dupilumab, Inmate Glibetab

Immunosuppressants
Methotrexate, Cyclosporine, Tacrolimus, Mycophenolate

Classical Consensus Review: Alternative Agents in Refractory Chronic Urticaria: Evidence and Considerations on Their Selection and Use

Molecular Targets for Biological Therapies of Severe Asthma

Successful prevention of extremely frequent and severe food anaphylaxis in three children by combined traditional Chinese medicine therapy

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BALANCE YOUR LIFE

Inactivated MAST CELL → **ACTIVATED MAST CELL DEGRANULATING**

Activated by allergens or pathogens

MAST CELL GRANULE
Histamine, Heparin, Serotonin, Prostaglandins, Cytokines, and Chemokines


Decreased immune response (Infection, Cancer) ↔ **Balance of immune system response** ↔ **Excessive immune response** (Allergy, Autoimmunity, Autoimmune diseases)

Reduction of tissue stress. Regain Tolerance. Restore Homeostasis

I now believe that the ultimate power lies with the tissues. When healthy, tissues induce tolerance. When distressed, [the tissue] stimulates immunity, and (continuing down this path) they may also determine the effector class of a response.

Polly Matzinger, Reflections on self: Immunity and beyond. Viewpoint: The Danger Model: A Renewed Sense of Self, Science vol 296, 2002

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LOVE Gratitude!

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Ehlers Danlos Society	Metrodora Institute Clinical Paradigms	Dysautonomia International

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Resources

Selected Heritable Disorders of Connective Tissue and Disability

The US National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine has published a report on heritable conditions that cause connective tissue disorders and disability. The report is available at <https://www.nationalacademies.org/our-work/selected-heritable-disorders-of-connective-tissue-and-disability>

Publications

Selected Heritable Disorders of Connective Tissue and Disability

Mast Cell Activation Disease Society
tmsforacure.org

Transforming Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome: A Global Vision of the Disease - The Epigenetic Revolution - Emergencies Paperback - January 13, 2022
By Stephanie DAVIES (Author), Isabelle DUBOIS (Illustrator), RALPH BRIDGES (Illustrator), KAREN KAMACHIA (Translator), & 4 more
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