

Urticaria

Urticaria (*hives*) is the most common manifestation of the allergy of the first type:

It is based on a number of physical, chemical and other factors and also can be a sign of vasculitis.

Clinical picture

Local or generalized skin rashes occur with itchy central edema and peripheral erythema.

Acute manifestations occur within a few hours after the allergen exposure, it can be associated with angioedema.



Urticaria on a leg

Therapy

P.o. application of the antihistamine drugs, local medication which reduce itching, in case of more significant acute manifestations also adrenaline or glucocorticoids.

Links

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- Quincke's edema

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