SCAR WATCH



Drugs associated with Severe Cutaneous Adverse Reactions (SCAR) reported locally

Rash and skin reactions may be early signs indicative of more serious drug-induced adverse reactions such as Severe Cutaneous Adverse Reactions (SCAR). It is important to be aware of the drugs associated with SCAR reported locally, as shown in the table below, to facilitate early recognition and prompt treatment.

Drugs associated with SCAR*

Anti-epileptics

Carbamazepine Phenytoin Lamotrigine

Gout

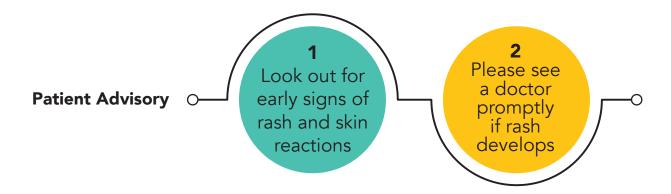
Allopurinol

Antibiotics

Cotrimoxazole Coamoxiclav Ceftriaxone Ciprofloxacin

Drugs introduced within 3 months before the onset of SCAR may be possible causative agents. Delayed reactions have also been reported.

^{*} Footnote: This list of drugs is not exhaustive



Healthcare professionals are encouraged to continue reporting suspected adverse drug reactions to:

Vigilance and Compliance Branch Health Products Regulation Group Health Sciences Authority

Phone: (65) 6866 1111 Fax: (65) 6478 9069 Email: HSA_productsafety@hsa.gov.sg

Online Reporting: https://www.hsa.gov.sg/adverse-events

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