

Patient with reported penicillin[■] allergy referred to outpatient clinic

■ penicillin unspecified, penicillin VK/G, amoxicillin, amoxicillin/clavulanate, ampicillin, dicloxacillin, flucloxacillin

Assessment for Eligibility

Inclusion Criteria

1. Adult patients (≥ 18 years) referred to the outpatient allergy clinic for a penicillin allergy history;
2. Willing and able to give consent

Exclusion Criteria

1. Pregnancy;
2. Any illness that, in the investigator's judgement, will substantially increase the risk associated with subject's participation in this study (**including a non-English speaking patient if an interpreter is not available**);
3. Patients with history of type A adverse drug reaction, drug-associated anaphylaxis, idiopathic urticaria/anaphylaxis, mastocytosis, serum sickness, blistering skin eruption or acute interstitial nephritis;
4. Patients with a concurrent history of immune-mediated cephalosporin allergy;
5. Patients where the allergy history was not able to be confirmed with patient;
6. Patients on concurrent antihistamine therapy;
7. Patients receiving more than stress dose steroids (i.e. > 50mg QID hydrocortisone [or steroid equivalent[♦]]).

♦ **Approximate steroid equivalent:** Hydrocortisone 50 mg = Betamethasone 1.8 mg = Cortisone 62.5 mg = Dexamethasone 1.9 mg = Methylprednisolone 10 mg = Prednisone/Prednisolone 12.5 mg = Triamcinolone 10 mg

Patient recruitment
Consent form discussed and signed

Penicillin allergy assessment with **PEN-FAST** tool
All penicillin allergy assessment should take place during the **same medical appointment**

PEN	PENicillin allergy reported by patient	<input type="checkbox"/> If yes proceed with assessment
F	Five years or less since reaction [†]	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 points
A	Anaphylaxis or angioedema	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 points
S	Severe cutaneous adverse reaction [†]	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 point
T	Treatment required for reaction [†]	<input type="checkbox"/> Total points
OR		
Interpretation		
0	Very low risk of true penicillin allergy - <1% (<1 in 100 patients reporting penicillin allergy)	
1-2	Low risk of true penicillin allergy - 5% (1 in 20 patients)	
3	Moderate risk of true penicillin allergy - 20% (1 in 5 patients)	
4-5	High risk of true penicillin allergy - 50% (1 in 2 patients)	

PEN-FAST ≥ 3
Excluded

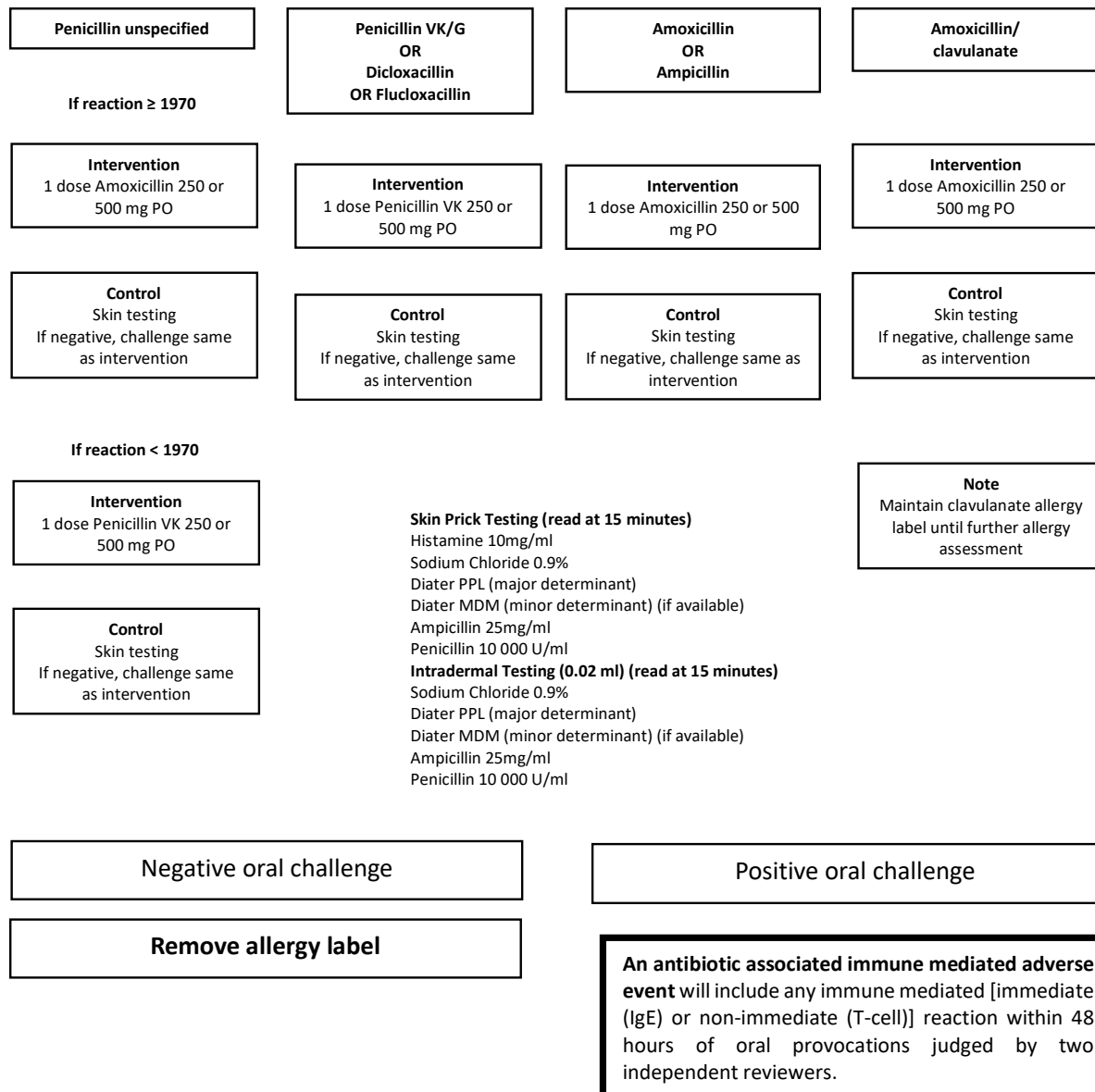
[†] Severe cutaneous adverse drug reaction - Stevens Johnson syndrome (SJS), toxic epidermal necrolysis (TEN), drug reaction with eosinophilia and systemic symptoms (DRESS), acute generalised exanthematous pustulosis (AGEP)
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PEN-FAST < 3

During the screening and randomization procedures, ask the patient to fill the **DRUG HYPERSENSITIVITY PRE-QUESTIONNAIRE**

1:1 Randomisation

Randomization delivered via the Research Electronic Data Capture (REDCap) software just prior to the intervention. Randomization sequence will be developed and uploaded to REDCap by a trial statistician. No other investigator or team member will have access to the sequence



A serious adverse event will be defined as any adverse drug event/experience occurring at any dose that in the opinion of the investigators is causal for any of these outcomes: (1) death; (2) life threatening reaction; (3) inpatient hospitalization; (4) results in persistent or significant disability/incapacity; (5) congenital anomaly or birth defect; or (6) requires intervention to prevent permanent impairment or damage.

An antibiotic associated adverse event will include any non-immune mediated reaction (e.g. nausea, vomiting, diarrhea etc.) within 48 hours of oral provocations judged by two independent reviewers.

**Report to Data safety management board
(DSMB)**