

1 **Fluconazole-associated Stevens-Johnson syndrome following single-dose use in an HIV-**
2 **negative patient**

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23 **ABSTRACT:**

24 We describe a case of fluconazole-associated Stevens-Johnson syndrome (SJS) in a
25 healthy, young woman following single-dose treatment for presumed vaginal candidiasis. After
26 several ambulatory consultations, she was hospitalized with worsening dysphagia, odynophagia,
27 conjunctivitis, mucosal ulcers and reduced oral intake. Over her two-week stay, cutaneous and
28 mucosal involvement worsened, with esophageal lesions identified on endoscopy. Investigations
29 did not reveal an alternative cause for her presentation, and subspecialty consultants supported
30 the diagnosis of fluconazole-associated SJS. She required parenteral nutrition and analgesia for
31 six days in hospital before discharge. We provide a review of the literature on all cases of
32 fluconazole-associated SJS and toxic epidermal necrolysis (TEN), and apply the Naranjo
33 probability scale for drug-induced adverse reaction to each case. Given the wide availability of
34 fluconazole, this is a rarely reported adverse reaction with only 13 other case reports rated as
35 'probable' and only two other cases following a single dose exposure.

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37 **CASE:**

38 A 26-year-old Caucasian woman took a single, oral dose of fluconazole 150 mg, obtained
39 over the counter, for self-diagnosed vaginal candidiasis. Three days later, bilateral ocular
40 erythema and pruritus with exudate developed. One day after ocular involvement, she
41 developed buccal ulcers and odynophagia. She attended a walk-in clinic and was prescribed a
42 chlorhexidine oral rinse and amoxicillin and tobramycin eye drops for presumed conjunctivitis.
43 The following day, she presented to an Urgent Care Clinic (UCC) due to lack of improvement in
44 symptoms and was prescribed Valacyclovir for presumed stomatitis. Four days after, she

45 returned to the UCC with worsening oral ulcers, and increased ocular pruritus. She was
46 prescribed Benzydamine mouthwash, and instructed to discontinue her eye drops. Later the
47 same day, she returned with new dysphagia, worsening odynophagia, and nausea. She was
48 prescribed oral analgesics, and referred to see Ophthalmology the following day. The possibility
49 of Stevens-Johnson syndrome (SJS) was considered by Ophthalmology, so the patient presented
50 to the Emergency Department with now severe odynophagia, chest pain radiating to her back,
51 and intermittent dysuria. In response to worsening symptoms and reduced oral intake, the
52 patient was referred to Internal Medicine and admitted to hospital.

53 On admission, her vitals were: blood pressure 131/79 mmHg, heart rate 97 bpm, oxygen
54 saturation of 99% on room air and temperature 38.1°C. She had superficial ulcers in the oral
55 mucosa, lesions on her edematous lips and bilateral conjunctivitis (Figure 1).



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57 **Figure 1.** Lip lesions and conjunctivitis on our patient

58 She had target lesions on her hand, arm, and foot; however, Nikolsky's sign was negative.
59 A vaginal exam was negative for vaginal lesions. Overall, skin involvement was <10% and she was
60 diagnosed with SJS.¹ Given that it only involved two mucosal surfaces, the calculated SCORTEN
61 score was 0, which has an expected mortality of 3%.² On further history, the patient did not
62 report a family or personal history of malignancy, autoimmune conditions, constitutional

63 symptoms, or joint pain. She had normal, prior pap smears and a remote, prior Epstein-Barr
64 infection. Social history did not reveal risk factors for Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)
65 infection.

66 In hospital, the patient continued to be febrile for the subsequent four days, with her
67 maximum temperature reaching 39.6°C. A conjunctival virology culture was negative for Herpes
68 simplex 1&2, varicella zoster, and adenovirus all by PCR. Her initial investigations revealed a
69 Hemoglobin of 135 g/L (115 – 165 g/L), Leukocytes $10.8 \times 10^9/L$ ($4-11 \times 10^9/L$) with no eosinophilia,
70 Platelets $361 \times 10^9/L$ ($150-400 \times 10^9/L$), Creatinine 69 $\mu\text{mol/L}$ ($50 – 98 \mu\text{mol/L}$), normal electrolyte
71 panel and normal liver enzymes. Her CRP was elevated at 59.9 mg/L ($<5 \text{ mg/L}$). A throat culture
72 was negative for *Streptococcus pyogenes* Group A. Serology testing revealed negative mono
73 screen, negative CMV IgG, and a reactive Epstein Barr Virus VCA, EA, and EBNA due to a past
74 infection. Blood cultures were negative x 2. She declined HIV testing in hospital and was deemed
75 to be low risk given history. A chest X-Ray completed during her admission was normal. An
76 endoscopy was performed which revealed multiple small, partial thickness ulcerations without
77 perforation in the patient's esophagus.

78 Due to the nature of the patient's symptoms and endoscopy findings, the patient was
79 given intravenous fluids, intravenous hydromorphone, oral analgesic rinses, intravenous
80 antacids, antiemetics, and steroidal eye drops. Given the patient's 10 day history of reduced oral
81 intake, total parenteral nutrition was begun. Thoracic surgery, Allergy and Immunology, Clinical
82 Pharmacology and Toxicology, and Ophthalmology consultants were involved in her care over
83 the course in hospital. The patient was able to tolerate oral intake and discharged by day 13 post-
84 admission. A repeat scope three months post-discharge revealed healed proximal esophageal

85 ulcers. Skin allergy testing was completed in follow-up, and was normal. No specific antifungal
86 sensitivity testing was completed. The patient has remained symptom free one year after her
87 initial event.

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89 **DISCUSSION**

90 Fluconazole is an antifungal medication indicated in the treatment of oropharyngeal and
91 esophageal candidiasis, serious systemic candidal infections, cryptococcal meningitis, and
92 prevention of the recurrence of cryptococcal meningitis in patients with acquired
93 immunodeficiency syndrome.³ The drug is available over-the-counter without prescription in
94 several developed countries including Canada, United Kingdom and Australia. It is prescription-
95 only in the United States where more than 3 million prescriptions were dispensed in 2017.⁴

96 Adverse effects associated with single dose fluconazole for vaginal candidiasis include, in
97 order of decreasing frequency: headache, nausea, and abdominal pain.³ The two most serious
98 adverse clinical events noted during clinical trials with fluconazole were: exfoliative skin
99 disorders, such as SJS, and hepatic necrosis.³ These reactions were more commonly noted in
100 patients with underlying disease such as AIDS and malignancy.³ Stevens-Johnson syndrome (SJS)
101 is a rare and severe mucocutaneous adverse reaction associated with a high mortality rate.⁵
102 There are many agents associated with SJS, the most common including: antibiotics, allopurinol,
103 antiepileptics, and nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory agents.⁶ Fluconazole's product monogram
104 identifies exfoliative skin disorders, such as SJS, as one of its most serious adverse clinical events.
105 SJS involves keratinocyte death resulting in dermal-epidermal junction area separation
106 secondary to a causative agent or process.⁷ SJS is viewed on a spectrum along with toxic

107 epidermal necrolysis (TEN). A specific cause of SJS/TEN has yet to be identified, but is believed to
 108 result from a cumulative effect of aligned risk factors, such as drug structure, and genetic
 109 predisposition. The immune component of SJS/TEN involves a delayed-type drug hypersensitivity
 110 reaction with the drug acting as a foreign antigen recognized by T-cell receptors, activating the
 111 adaptive immune response resulting in SJS/TEN.⁶ SJS/TEN can be triggered by drugs, infections
 112 and malignancies, with infections being the leading cause in children versus drugs and
 113 malignancies in adults (Table 1).⁷

114 **Table 1.** Drugs and Conditions Associated with Stevens-Johnson syndrome and toxic epidermal
 115 necrolysis^{6,7,8,9}

Drugs	Infections and Malignancies
More Frequently Associated: Allopurinol Antiepileptic agents (Carbamazepine, Hydantoins, Barbiturates, Phenylbutazone, Lamotrigine, Phenobarbital, Phenytoin) Antibacterial sulfonamides (Sulphadoxine, Sulphadiazine, Sulphasalazine, Cotrimoxazole) Lamotragine Nevirapine Oxicam-derived NSAIDs (Meloxicam, Piroxicam) Phenobarbital Phenytoin Amithiozone Aminopenicillins	Viral: Herpes simplex virus HIV Coxsackievirus Influenza Hepatitis Lymphogranuloma venereum Smallpox Enterovirus Epstein-Barr virus Bacterial: Group A beta-hemolytic streptococcus Diphtheria bacilli Brucellosis Typhoid fever Tularemia Mycobacteria Mycoplasma
Less Frequently Associated: Cephalosporins Macrolides Fluoroquinolones Tetracyclines Vancomycin Rifampin Ethambutol Acetic acid-derivative NSAIDs (Diclofenac) Beta-blockers ACE inhibitors Calcium channel inhibitors Thiazide diuretics	Fungal: Paracoccidioidomycosis Dermatophytosis Histoplasmosis Protozoan: Malaria parasites Trichomonas Malignancies: Carcinomas Lymphomas

Sulfonylurea antidiabetic Insulin Propionic acid-derivative NSAIDs (Fenbufen, Ketoprofen, Naproxen, Ibuprofen)	
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117 The classic manifestation of SJS and TEN involves an initial “flu-like” prodromal phase
118 involving malaise, fever, sore throat, coughing, eye burning, myalgia, arthralgia and anorexia,
119 which can last up to a week.⁶ This phase is followed by cutaneous and mucous membrane
120 inflammation, pain, and other systemic involvement with symptoms usually showing 4-28 days
121 after initial drug intake.⁶ In our case, the patient showed symptoms of conjunctivitis and oral
122 lesions within 3 days after initial dose, with symptomatic progression over the following 10 days.

123 The types of lesions include atypical target lesions, consisting of two concentric rings, and
124 macular lesions, which ultimately lead to sloughing of necrotic skin and a positive Nikolsky’s sign.⁷
125 Nikolsky’s sign describes detachment of the full surface of the epidermis when light lateral
126 pressure is applied.⁸ The rash typically begins on the trunk, gradually spreading, often sparing the
127 palmoplantar surfaces.⁷ SJS is differentiated from TEN by the degree of skin involvement, with
128 TEN having >30% involvement and SJS having <10% involvement; 10-30% is defined as an overlap
129 between SJS and TEN.¹ In SJS/TEN, mucosal involvement occurs in two or more distinct mucosal
130 surfaces, and this may precede or follow skin involvement.⁷ About 10-30% of cases occur with
131 fever and lesions in the gastrointestinal and respiratory tracts, and 39-61% of cases involve ocular
132 symptoms.⁷ Complications may include: corneal ulcers, anterior uveitis, panophthalmitis,
133 gastrointestinal adhesions, urinary incontinence, vaginal stenosis, renal tubular necrosis, renal
134 failure, skin ulceration with re-infection and scarring.⁷ The risk of secondary bacterial infection,

135 electrolyte imbalances, and thermoregulation issues increases with lesions and loss of skin
136 integrity.⁷

137 Although SJS is well reported in the literature, there are very few case reports of
138 fluconazole-associated SJS/TEN, particularly after single doses. We analyzed case reports on
139 fluconazole-associated SJS and TEN (Table 2). Nine of the 15 cases were fluconazole-associated
140 SJS, and seven were fluconazole-associated TEN. We applied the Naranjo nomogram which uses
141 rules of causation to measure the likelihood that the adverse event was related to the drug in
142 question rather than other potential causes.¹⁰ Fourteen of the cases were probable, and two
143 were possible fluconazole-associated SJS/TEN (Table 3).

Table 2. Summary of existing case reports of fluconazole-associated SJS and TEN[†]

Reference	Demographics	Surfaces Involved	Relevant Comorbidities	Diagnosis	Dose of Fluconazole	Treatment*
Ofama UR et al. ⁹	52 F Caucasian	D, L, OM	HZ & ?HIV	TEN	Fluconazole 150 mg/day (5 doses prior to admission)	Pain control, skin, mouth and eye care, IV fluids
Craythorne E et al. ¹¹	40 F	GM, O, OM	AH	SJS	Fluconazole 100 mg/day (13 doses prior to admission)	Prednisolone 20mg OD for hepatitis, continued for treatment
	23 F	D, GM, L, O, OM	AuH	SJS	Fluconazole 100 mg/day (16 doses prior to admission)	Prednisolone 20mg OD for hepatitis, continued for treatment
Monastirli A et al. ¹²	50 F Caucasian	D, L, O, OM	None	SJS	Fluconazole 200 mg/day (7 doses prior to admission)	Antiseptic eye drops, oral and skin washings, IV methylprednisone 120 mg/day for 3 days with decreasing dose over 3 weeks, topical amphotericin suspension for vaginal candidiasis
Azón-Masoliver A et al. ¹³	33 M	D, OP, O, GM	HIV	TEN	Fluconazole 50mg q12h (7 doses prior to admission)	IV fluids, antihistamines, IV methylprednisone 40 mg/day, skin soakings, antiseptic eye drops, oral antiseptic washes
Gussenhoven MJ et al. ¹⁴	30 M	D, OM,	HIV	SJS	Fluconazole 150 mg twice monthly (7 doses prior to admission)	Antibiotics
Lester LJU et al. ¹⁵	30 F	D	AIDS	TEN	Fluconazole unknown single dose	IV Methylprednisone sodium succinate for 3 days, amphotericin B (for thrush), antibiotics, Diphenhydramine hydrochloride,

						Acetaminophen, Topical triamcinolone 0.1% cream for lesions
Pasmatzi E et al. ¹⁶	32 F Caucasian	T, E, OM, L, O	None	SJS	100-200 mg/day Fluconazole (1-4 doses prior to admission) P	IV Methylprednisone 80-160 mg/day for 3-6 days, oral and skin washings, antiseptic eye drops
	42 F Caucasian	T, E, OM, L, O	None	SJS	100-200 mg/day Fluconazole (1-4 doses prior to admission) P	IV Methylprednisone 80-160 mg/day for 3-6 days, oral and skin washings, antiseptic eye drops
	59 M Caucasian	T, E, OM, L	None	SJS	100 mg/day Fluconazole (1-4 doses prior to admission) P	IV Methylprednisone 80-160 mg/day for 3-6 days, oral and skin washings
George J et al. ¹⁷	28 M	D, O	HIV	TEN	Fluconazole 150 mg daily (2 doses prior to presentation)	Analgesics, Azithromycin, Antihistamines, eye care, and parenteral hydration
Islam S et al. ¹⁸	Neonate F (21 DOL)	D, O, OM, OP	NH?	TEN	Fluconazole first loading dose, then 10g per kg/daily IV (9 doses prior to presentation)	Vancomycin and cefepime (Sepsis)
Lewerenz V et al. ¹⁹	43 F Caucasian	D, L, GM, OM	T1DM, Multiple sclerosis	TEN	Fluconazole single , unknown dose	Oral prednisone, antibiotics, triamcinolone acetonide cream
Tseng J et al. ²⁰	49 M, Asian	Unknown, SCORTEN Score of 3	HIV, Late latent syphilis	TEN	Fluconazole unknown dose/frequency	IVIG 1g/kg/day x 4 days

Thiyanaratnam J et al. ²¹	23 M Indian	D, GP, L, OM	None	SJS	Fluconazole 400 mg (2 doses, 20 days apart, prior to admission)	Oral prednisone, Diphenhydramine, Viscous lidocaine, Topical mupirocin
Our Case	26 F Caucasian	D, OM, Es, O, L	None	SJS	Fluconazole 150 mg, single dose	IV fluids, pain medication, oral antiseptic wash, eye drops

146 † Abbreviations: AH, alcoholic hepatitis; AuH, autoimmune hepatitis; CR, current report; D, dermis; Es, esophageal; GM, genital mucosa; GP, glans penis; L, lips;
147 NH, neonatal hemochromatosis; O, ocular; OM, oral mucosa; OP, oropharyngeal; HIV, human immunodeficiency virus; HZ, herpes zoster; SLE, systemic lupus
148 erythematosus; SLN, secondary lupus nephritis; T1DM, type 1 diabetes mellitus
149 *In all treatments, fluconazole was stopped.
150 ¶ Case reports with incomplete information.
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152 **Table 3.** Probability Score for all 16 cases using the Naranjo Scale*
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NARANJO SCALE ALGORITHM ¹⁰				CASE REPORTS [¶]																
Question	Yes	No	Do Not know	OU	CEa	CEb	MA	AM	GM	LL	PEa	PEb	PEc	GJ	IS	LV	TsJ	TJ	Case	
Are there previous conclusive reports on this reaction?	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Did the adverse event appear after the suspected drug was administered?	2	-1	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Did the adverse event improve when the drug was discontinued or a specific antagonist was administered?	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
Did the adverse event reappear when the drug was re-administered?	2	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Are there alternative causes that could on their own have caused the reaction?	-1	2	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	-1	2	0	2	2	2
Did the reaction reappear when a placebo was given?	-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Was the drug detected in blood or other fluids in concentrations known to be toxic?	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Was the reaction more severe when the dose was increased or less severe when the dose was decreased?	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Did the patient have a similar reaction to the same or similar drugs in any previous exposure?	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Was the adverse event confirmed by any objective evidence?	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
TOTAL SCORE:				6	6	6	6	6	6	6	5	6	5	5	1	6	4	6	5	5

154 *Total score of ≥ 9 is **Definite** (The reaction followed a reasonable temporal sequence after drug exposure had been established in body fluids or tissues, followed a recognized response to the suspected
 155 drug, was confirmed by improvement on withdrawing the drug and reappeared on re-exposure); Total score of 5-8 is **Probable** (The reaction followed a reasonable temporal sequence after a drug
 156 exposure, followed a recognized response to the suspected drug, was confirmed by withdrawal but not by exposure to the drug, and could not be reasonably explained by the known characteristics of
 157 the patient's clinical state); Total score of 1-4 is **Possible** (The reaction followed a temporal sequence after a drug exposure, possibly followed a recognized pattern to the suspected drug, and could be
 158 explained by characteristics of the patient's disease); Total score of ≤ 0 is **Doubtful** (The reaction was likely related to factors other than the drug)
 159 ¶ OU: Ofoma UR et al⁹; CEa: Craythorne E et al^{11a}; CEb: Craythorne E et al^{11b}; MA: Monastirli A et al¹²; AM: Azón-Masoliver A et al¹³; GM: Gussenhoven MJ et al¹⁴; LL: Lester LJU et al¹⁵; PEa: Pasmatz E
 160 et al.^{16a}; PEb: Pasmatz E et al.^{16b}; PEC: Pasmatz E et al.^{16c}; GJ: George J et al.¹⁷; IS: Islam S et al.¹⁸; LV: Lewerenz V et al¹⁹; TsJ : Tseng J et al.²⁰; TJ : Thiyanaratnam J et al.²¹; Case : our case report.

161 Six of the cases involved individuals with known or presumed HIV infection. Our patient
162 declined HIV testing, but was presumed negative based on absence of risk factors. Single dose
163 fluconazole has only been reported in two previous cases. Management most often involved the
164 use of IV corticosteroids, IV rehydration, antiseptic eye drops, and pain management. Many of
165 the cases noted the use of antibiotics, often for prophylaxis against sepsis or localized infection
166 at the site of ulcers. Depending on the extent of skin involvement, burn-style skin care regimes
167 were enacted to improve overall healing and prevent against infection.

168 In summary, our case adds to the small, yet growing literature of fluconazole-associated
169 SJS after single-dose use in an otherwise healthy, young adult. This case has implications for
170 regulation of fluconazole, given the serious nature of SJS.

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172 **TAKE HOME POINTS:**

- 173 1. Fluconazole, currently an over-the-counter medication not requiring a prescription, is
174 reported here as the probable cause of Stevens-Johnson syndrome in a young, otherwise
175 healthy patient.
- 176 2. Our case is only the third reported case of fluconazole-associated Stevens-Johnson
177 syndrome following single dose ingestion.
- 178 3. Stevens-Johnson syndrome is a difficult diagnosis to make, and in combination with less
179 commonly associated medications, this can lead to prolongation in diagnosis and
180 increased risk of morbidity and mortality.

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