



Causes of Erythrodermic Psoriasis

Erythrodermic psoriasis is related to unstable plaque psoriasis, a type characterized by lesions which are not clearly defined. In most cases, it will occur in people with unstable plaque psoriasis. In rare cases, erythrodermic psoriasis can be the first instance of psoriasis for a patient.

Specific medications including lithium, antimalarials and interleukin II are shown to be triggers of Erythrodermic psoriasis. More causes include infections, calcium deficiency, sudden withdrawal of oral corticosteroids (prednisone), withdrawal of excessive use of strong topical corticosteroids, and strong coal tar preparations