Netherton syndrome is a rare hereditary disorder characterized by scaling skin, hair anomalies, increased susceptibility to atopic eczema (a skin condition that can result in dry, red and flaky skin), elevated IgE levels, and other related symptoms. Netherton syndrome is inherited as an autosomal recessive trait. Netherton syndrome is a rare hereditary disorder. There are approximately 150 cases reported in the medical literature, but the true number of affected individuals may be much higher due to diagnostic difficulties and overlapping symptoms with common atopic dermatitis and other congenital ichthyoses.