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Thalidomide

Various toxicities: case report

A 51-year-old woman received thalidomide at 100 mg/day [route not stated] for familial primary cutaneous amyloidosis. She received thalidomide for 12 weeks in total, with a 25mg reduction in dose every 3 weeks. During treatment [time to reaction onset not clearly stated] she reported fatigue, drowsiness, numbness of her extremities, and a sense of facial oedema. The symptoms improved as the thalidomide dose was reduced, and laboratory tests were all within normal limits.

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