

ceftazidime alone. However, this also results in the development of a rash, this time after only one dose. Which of the following statements are true and which false?

- (a) Resolution of symptoms on dechallenge is indicative of a drug aetiology
- (b) Occurrence of the reaction much sooner after starting the second antibiotic than on primary exposure is indicative of an immune-mediated adverse reaction
- (c) A negative skin test would exclude the drugs as the cause of symptoms
- (d) Lack of previous reports of cross-reactivity indicates that the drugs were unlikely to be responsible for the adverse effect
- (e) Desensitisation is a reasonable management option in this patient

10 Which of the following statements regarding adverse drug reaction (ADR) reporting by the yellow card system in the UK are true and which false?

- (a) ADR reporting is compulsory
- (b) All serious ADRs should be reported
- (c) ADR reporting provides good ADR incidence data
- (d) Doctors, dentists, coroners, pharmacists and nurses are allowed to report on yellow cards
- (e) Yellow card reports can be used to establish definitively that a drug has caused a particular reaction

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