

ULTRASTRUCTURAL CHANGES OF ACANTHOLYTIC CELLS AT DIFFERENT STAGES OF DEVELOPMENT OF PEMPHIGUS VULGARIS

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Annotation	Objective: To study ultrastructural changes in the contents of intraepidermal blisters and their covers to improve diagnostic and therapeutic approaches in pemphigus vulgaris (PV). Materials and methods. To investigate the ultrastructure of the contents of intraepidermal vesicles, including acantholytic cells (AC), and caps in 8 patients with PV using electron microscopy. Results. Electron microscopic study of the material of patients with PV revealed structural features of AC at different stages of PV development. Conclusions. Ultrastructural features of AC depended on the stage of development of PV and existing complications. Dystrophic AC and other types of their death were noted, in particular, autoimmune, dark cell, autophagic and apoptotic changes. Signs of cytotoxic action of lymphocytes and neutrophil leukocytes on AC and necrotic processes in pyoderma were revealed.
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