

Seminar: New aspects on skin compatibility of fragrances

Allergies in the population: The European Dermatoepidemiology Network (EDEN) study

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Data on contact sensitization and especially on contact allergy to fragrances in the general population are limited. Data from allergological services suggest that the frequency of contact allergy to fragrances is increasing. The European Dermato-Epidemiology Network (EDEN) Fragrance Study aims to obtain reliable data on the prevalence of contact allergy to fragrances and other sensitizers of the European baseline series, in the general population of different geographical areas of Europe. In this lecture the background and the current knowledge of the epidemiology of contact allergy in the general population will be presented. In addition the methodology of the EDEN fragrance study is introduced and discussed.

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