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# C1q Deficiency

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Lack of production of functional C1q proteins, due to a genetic defect. Virtually 100% of patients with a C1q deficiency will develop a severe systemic lupus erythematosus at an early age. Patients also present with frequent sinopulmonary infections often with *Streptococcus pneumoniae*.