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Hb Bart's hydrops fetalis

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Hb Bart's hydrops fetalis is the most severe form of alpha-thalassemia (see this term) and is almost always lethal. It is characterized by fetal onset of generalized edema, pleural and pericardial effusions, and severe hypochromic anemia.