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# Skin Prick Test

National Cancer Institute

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A test for sensitivity to allergens. A solution containing a suspected allergy-causing substance is placed on the skin and then the skin is pricked or scratched to allow the allergen to enter the skin. If the skin develops a red, raised wheal it usually means that the person is allergic to that allergen.