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THE COMBINATION OF MEDICINE AND SUNLIGHT CAN CAUSE AN UNUSUAL, ALLERGY-LIKE REACTION IN SOME PEOPLE, SAYS DR. JAN CARMICHAEL OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE:

.23 "Photosensitivity reaction should be considered in people who experience sunburn..... Photosensitivity reaction can occur from a wide variety of topically applied medications or cosmetics, as well as from systemically administered compounds."

SOME COMMON CULPRITS ARE DRUGS USED TO TREAT CANCER, ANTIDEPRESSANTS, WATER PILLS, ORAL MEDICINES TO TREAT DIABETES, AND EVEN ANTIBIOTICS PERSCRIBED TO PREVENT TRAVELERS' DIARRHEA:

.8 "People who travel to Mexico, for example, may be surprised when they get a rash from sunning if they're taking antibiotics.

THE SOLUTION? IF YOU MUST TAKE THE MEDICINE, STAY OUT OF THE SUNLIGHT. THIS IS HEALTHLINE, FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE.