

ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES
INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF DERMATOLOGISTS
& VENEREOLOGISTS

(Northern Branch)

Meeting of the Indian Association of Dermatologists and Venereologists Northern Branch was held on Saturday the 16th March, 1963 at 3-00 p. m. in Pathology Lecture Theatre of Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi. Dr. Harbhajan Singh President of the branch was in the chair. Twenty seven members attended this meeting, which was earlier decided to be celebrated as a special meeting to review the work done so far.

The minutes of the last meeting held on 16th of Feb. in Sardarjung Hospital, which had already been circulated to members were adopted.

The Hony. Secretary then read the report of activities of the branch from its inception to date. The report as such is attached to the minutes of the meeting.

The recommendation of the executive committee to the members to request the present office bearers to continue in office for another year, was unanimously adopted.

Dr. B. M. S. Bedi from the AIIMS then gave a brief report of his research work on assessment of diabetic state in patients showing dermatoses mainly associated with hyperglycaemia. This was very much appreciated.

After this Dr. Dharampal presented further report of investigation in his cases presented last month, which was in support of the earlier diagnosis of sarcoidosis, actinomycosis foot, and secondary syphilis with aortic aneurysm.

Cases for the day which had earlier been seen by members were now presented and discussed. These are detailed below:

Case No. I 23 M. A case of multiple penile sores and bilateral (Dr. B. S. Baswani) inguinal enlargement of glands. The duration of these lesions was over one year following the history of contact, and a genital sore. One of lesions on the right side was granulomatous. The case was put up for diagnosis by Dr. Baswani. Full investigation of the case had yet to be done as he had reported only 2 or 3 days earlier—L. G. V., Chancroid, and G. V. (Donovanosis) were brought in as possibilities but there were points against each. It was decided to await the blood report and undertake a biopsy as well.

Case No. II 15 M. A case of secondary syphilis. This was (Dr. B. S. Baswani) put up for demonstration, and showed papulo-squamous lesions with shotty epitroch: glands. There were however no mucous membrane lesions or lesions on palms and soles. Condylomas were present at anal site.

Case No. III 27 M. A case for diagnosis. (Dr. Dharampal, Safdarjung). This young man was showing a papulo-nodular rash on the face, and a depigmented macular rash on the body which was profusely present on the trunk and

upper parts of all the 4 limbs. The lesions were round and oval arranged along the cleavage of ribs as in lines. The diagnosis of pityriasis rosea was ruled out because of the duration of illness and presence of lesions on the face.

A biopsy report read out by Dr. Dharampal showed both the nodular lesions on face and depigmented lesions on body to reveal flattening of epidermis, and intense lymphocytic and plasma cell infiltration in dermis which was mostly perifollicular. Diagnosis of *Tubercu'cid leprosy* was not sustained - as lesions were not anaesthetic. The lesions were too profuse (unlike tuberculoid leprosy). *Lepromatus leprosy* repeated slit examination had shown no lepra bacilli.

Post Kalazar Dermal Leishmanoid: but there was no history of earlier kala-azar and there was no enlargement of liver or spleen.

Sarcoidosis suggested but was ruled out by five mantoux test, and lack of granulomatous histopathology in biopsy for which purpose the case was also not labelled as 'Tuberculosis'. It was suggested to send the serum for testing for formel gel test etc. to the School of Tropical Medicine. A further biopsy was suggested.

After this the Hony. Secretary Dr. Kandhari, evulogized Lt. Col. C. L. Sukheja's services to the branch and felicitated him on the eve of his transfer to Poona.

Col. C. L. Sukheja responded to the remarks by kind words. He appreciated the fellow-feeling which existed, and the advantages of mutual scientific discussions. He offered to voice the views of the branch to Central council of association and the Govt. in his new capacity as Adviser in V. D.

After this the meeting was closed, and through the courtsey of Dr. Baswani tea and refreshment were served to members.

(K. C. Kandhari)
Hon. Secretary

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