

ABSTRACTS

Bell's Palsy Due to Syphilis: R. K. Dutta (Dermatologist, Command Hospital, Air Force, Bangalore) Med J Armed Forces India, XXXV : 247-250 1980.

A case of Bell's palsy due to late symptomatic syphilis is reported. Bell's palsy of syphilitic origin is a recognised entity under code No. 94.9 of Manual of International Nomenclature of Diseases. Failure of response to routine treatment, positive serology in increasing titre, abnormal CSF (Grade 1), rapid disappearance of symptoms and reversal of CSF abnormalities to normal after anti-syphilitic treatment, amply justified the diagnosis of Luetic infection.

A Study on Fixed Drug Eruption: R. K. Dutta and Y. Sharma (Dermatologists, Command Hospital, Air Force, Bangalore) Med J Armed Forces India, XXXV : 176-179, 1980.

Thirty cases of fixed drug eruption were investigated. Majority (66.6%) did not have any history of drug intake prior to the onset of disease. Provocative tests were positive in 15 percent of cases. FDE merely indicates a type reaction. Besides drugs many other agents may cause FDE. The term Fixed Drug Eruption appears a misnomer and renaming as 'Fixed Eruption' is suggested,

Announcement...

The following courses will be conducted in the Skin Institute and School of Dermatology during the year 1980-81. Details as given below :

- (a) Dermatological Workshop for 3 days for specialists only. (February 23-25, 1981) Registration fee Rs. 150/-. (Apply before 7th January '81)
- (b) Skin Beauty Care Course for 2 days (February 26-27, 1981) Registration fee Rs. 150/-. (Apply before 7th January, 1981)
- (c) Dermatological Pharmacy course 3 days (March 2-4, 1981) Registration fee Rs. 50/-. (Apply before 7th February, 1981)

Applications to be sent to the Dean, Skin Institute and School of Dermatology, Greater Kailash, N-Block, New Delhi 110048.

Next Conference - I. A. D. V. & L.

The IX annual conference of Indian Association of Dermatologists, Venereologists and Leprologists will be held at Indore from January 8-10, 1981.

Members desirous of presenting papers are requested to forward an abstract of their paper (not more than 200 words) to Dr. S. R. Sadana, Chairman of the Scientific Committee, 28-A Race Course Road, Amritsar, reaching him on or before 15th November, 1980.

Before members send their abstracts they are requested to please ensure that they will attend the conference for reading their papers.

Congress of Hansenology

1st Congress of Hansenology of Endemic countries will be held at Rio-de-Janeiro, Brazil from 12th to 15th November, 1980.

For details, Contact Dr. N. M. Chawla, Official Representative of the Congress in India, C/o Hind Kusht Nivaran Sangh (Delhi Branch), 33-34, North End Complex, R. K. Ashram Marg, (near Crossing of Punchkuin Road), New Delhi-110001 (Phone : 344639)

Special programmes for accompaniers have been arranged. Rio-de-Janeiro is wonderful, loveliest, touristic capital of Brazil and have all facilities like bank, telex, phone, transporting, marketing, shopping and medical etc.

Registration Fee :

	If paid by 31st July US\$	If paid by 30th Sept. US\$	If paid by After 30th Sept. US\$
Health Professionals	70	80	90
Accompanying persons	30	30	30

Hotel charges vary from 34 US\$ to 68 US\$ for single and 40 US\$ to 80 US\$ for double.

Last date for paper submission : 31st August, 1980.

International Dermatopathology Symposium

The 2nd International Dermatopathology Symposium, entitled "Dilemmas and directions in differential diagnosis" will be held at Grosvenor House Hotel, Park Lane, London, 12-15 July 1981. The symposium is co-organized by Prof. E. Wilson Jones and Dr. Martin Black of the Institute of Dermatology, University of London, and Dr. A. Bernard Ackerman of the Section of Dermatopathology, New York University School of Medicine.

The emphasis will be on histologic clues to diagnosis by conventional microscopy, clinical, electron microscopic and immunopathological aspects of inflammations, neoplasms, malformations and deposits of abnormal materials in the skin.

All enquiries should be addressed to: Marcus Summersfield, London Symposium 1981, Conference Co-ordinates, Regent House, 60 King Street, Twickenham, Middlesex TW1 3SH, with the exception of specific enquiries regarding the medical aspects of the programme which should be addressed to: Prof. E. Wilson Jones, Institute of Dermatology, St. John's Hospital for Diseases of the Skin, Lisle Street, Leicester Square, London WC2H 7BJ.

Pediatric Dermatology Seminar VIII - Preliminary Notice

The 8th annual Pediatric dermatology seminar will convene at the Eden Roc Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, February 26—March 1, 1981. It will be followed by a twelve day past-seminar tour to Tahiti and New Zealand with an optional extension to Australia.

For information, contact: Guinter Kahn, M.D., 16800 N.W. 2nd Ave., Miami, Florida 33169. (305-652-8600)

International Congress of Dermatology

The XVI International Congress of Dermatology will be held in Tokyo, Japan, May 23 to 28, 1982. The Congress includes a scientific program (special lectures, case presentations, advances in dermatology, symposia, courses, workshops, informal discussion groups, free communication, poster communications, Japanese Dermatological Association seminars, and a scientific exhibition) and social events (performance of traditional Japanese Kabuki drama, a concert with a world-famous conductor, a short suburban sightseeing tour, and programs for accompanying persons). The Congress site is the Hotel New Otani, Tokyo's prestige hotel which has been the site of many international congresses. English, French, Spanish, German and Japanese may be used in the Congress, and simultaneous interpretation will be provided during the main educational sessions.

The First Circular including detailed information regarding registration, hotel accommodations and group travel is now available on request to:

Prof. Makoto Seiji, M.D., Secretary General, the XVI International Congress of Dermatology, C.P.O. Box 1560, Tokyo 100-91, Japan.

All interested persons are cordially invited to participate in the Congress.