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Summaries

Investigación Clínica, N° 24, 1967.

RODRIGUEZ, B.; VERA, G.; RIVERA, H.; GARCIA, R.; SHAW, J.; SERRANO, H. "**Renal homotransplantation**". *Invest. Clín.* 24: 9-26. 1967.

The first case of human renal homotransplantation performed in Venezuela is reported. The patient was kept for almost five months in our chronic dialysis program and received a cadaver kidney. The donor was proven to have unsuspected miliary tuberculosis for which the recipient had to receive treatment. The patient died on the 10th. post-operative day as a result of perirrenal abscess, septicemia and meningitis due to *Proteus morganii*. Function of the transplanted kidney was demonstrated.

TORRES VERA, M. T.; GARCIA TAMAYO, F. "**Agenesis of abdominal muscles and associated genitourinary tract abnormalities**". *Invest. Clín.* 24: 27-38. 1967.

The clinical history and follow

autopsy of a newborn with congenital absence of the abdominal muscles are described. A review of the literature is made. It seems to be the first description of the abnormality in Venezuela.

VILLALOBOS, J.; GUERRERO, E.; HERNANDEZ, V.; NAVA, G. "**Diphtheria: clinical and epidemiological aspects**". *Invest. Clín.* 24: 39-53. 1967.

A study is made on 277 children hospitalized in the isolation ward of the University Hospital of Maracaibo with the diagnosis of diphtheria from January 1960 through June 1964. One hundred eighty four of them were confirmed as such. Attention is called on the remarkable high proportion of cases in children above 4 years of age, which differs epidemiologically from other reports in Venezuela. The immune status of the population

studied is pointed out. Only 4% of the children had received 3 doses of vaccine.

LUZARDO BAPTISTA, M. "**Oral citology**". Invest. Clín. 24: 55-70, 1967.

A study of oral citology was made on ambulatory patients of the Hospital Universitario of Maracaibo. We use the procedure of scraping the oral mucous. The positive and suspicious cases were studied by scraping and biopsy control. In our opinion, Citology is a nontraumatic and useful method in the screening of mouth cancer. The definite and safe diagnosis should only be done by biopsy. Attention is called on the false negative cases.

FEREIRA, H.; SULBARAN S., G.; STRUVE, J.; URDANETA, R. "**Seric and cerebrospinal fluid protein electrophoresis in schizophrenic patients**". Invest. Clín. 24: 71-77, 1967.

Seric and cerebrospinal fluid protein were studied in 26 schizophrenic patients. Paper electrophoretic partition method was used. No alterations in the total seric and cerebrospinal fluid protein level were found. Alpha 2 globulin fraction was elevated in cerebrospinal fluid in 50% of the cases. The results are discussed and confronted with those of other authors.

SULBARAN SOLIS, G. "**A simplified method to isolate the blood leukocytes for electron microscope studies**". Invest. Clín. 24: 79-86, 1967.

A simple, quick and nonexpensive method is proposed to isolate the blood leukocytes for study with the electron microscope. Heparinized capillary tubes and a microcapillary centrifuge were used. A good concentration and preservation of the leukocyte layer was obtained.
