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	and Department of Physiology, Monash University, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Faculty of Medicine, University of New South Wales, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia. BACKGROUND: Hypertension is a major risk factor for cardiovascular disease, a leading cause of premature death and disability in India. Since access to health services is poor in rural India and Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs) are available throughout India for maternal and child health, a potential solution for improving hypertension control is by utilising this available workforce. We aimed to develop and implement a training package for ASHAs to identify and control hypertension in the community, and evaluate the effectiveness of the training program was part of a cluster randomised feasibility trial of a 3-month intervention to improve hypertension outcomes in South India. Training materials incorporated details on managing hypertension, goal setting, facilitating group meetings, and how to measure blood pressure and weight. The 15 ASHAs attended a five-day training workshop that was delivered using interactive instructional strategies. ASHAs then led community-based education support groups for 3 months. Training was evaluated using Kirkpatrick's evaluation model for measuring reactions, learning, behaviour and results using tests on knowledge at baseline, post-training and post-intervention interviews. RESULTS: The ASHAs' knowledge of hypertension improved from a mean score of 64% at baseline to 76% post-training and 84% after the 3-month intervention. Research officers, who observed the community meetings, reported that ASHAs delivered the self-management content effectively without additional assistance. The ASHAs reported that the training materials were easy to understand and useful in educating community-based group educational discussions and support individuals for the management of high blood pressure. TRIAL RE				
3.	Abhilash, K. P. P., Vincent, D., George, A. S., Kalyaniwala, K., Prajapathi, A. and Thomas, S. M. Pattern and outcome of unintentional pediatric trauma in the emergency department of a tertiary care hospital in South India Journal of Medical Sciences (Taiwan); 2018, 38 (6): 258-268 Address: Department of Emergency Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, 632 004, India	INT	JAN TO JUNE	EMERGENCY MEDICINE	SCOPUS

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	Background: Pediatric trauma is a significant cause of morbidity, and few studies on profile and outcome have been done in the emergency departments (EDs) of India. Methodology: This prospective observational study was conducted between October 2014 and December 2014 in the adult and pediatric ED's of Christian Medical College, Vellore. All patients younger than 18 years, who presented with unintentional injury, were enrolled in this study. Results: The adult and pediatric ED's attended to a combined 24,482 patients (16,169 adults and 8313 children and adolescents) during the 3-month study with 8.2% (2022/24,482) being trauma incidents. Pediatric and adolescent (<18 years) trauma patients comprised 20% (397) of trauma cases, and adult (>18 years) trauma patients made up the remainder 80% (1624). Falls are the most common mechanism of injury among infants and toddlers with decreasing frequency with age. With increasing age, the place of injury changes from the surroundings of home to playgrounds, schools, and the roads. About 80% of injuries among infants occur at home while only 12% of adolescent injuries occur at home. Road traffic injuries account for 46% of injuries sustained by adolescents. Most of the children and adolescents (63%) were managed conservatively. Minor surgical intervention was required in 20% whereas 11% required major surgical intervention. Majority (77%) was discharged stable from the ED, and 21% were admitted. The in-hospital mortality of pediatric trauma was 1.2% (5/397). Conclusions: Pediatric and adolescent trauma is a significant cause of morbidity and mortality in India, accounting for almost one-fifth of injured patients. There exists a need for injury prevention programs focusing on peridomestic safety among children <12 years and school and road safety among children >12 years and adolescents. © 2018 Journal of Medical Sciences Published by Wolters Kluwer-Medknow.				
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5.	Abiramalatha, T., Arunachal, G., Muthusamy, K. and Thomas, N. A family with floppy neonates with severe respiratory insufficiency: A lethal phenotype of RFT1-CDG due to a novel mutation Eur J Med Genet; 2018, Address: Department of Neonatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India; Department of Neonatology, Sri Ramachandra Medical College and Research	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEONATOLOGY, ENDOCRINOLOGY, CLINICAL GENETICS, PEDIATRIC NEUROLOGY	PMID:30071302 SCOPUS

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	Institute, Chennai, India. Department of Clinical Genetics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Pediatric Neurology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Neonatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Electronic Address: niranjan@cmcvellore.ac.in. Congenital disorders of glycosylation (CDG) are a rapidly expanding group of inborn errors of metabolism with around 100 types described so far. Because of the limited number of reported cases in each type except PMM2-CDG, the complete clinical picture of other types is not known. RFT1-CDG is a rare type, with ten cases reported in the literature. Our patient presented as a floppy neonate with severe respiratory insufficiency and ventilator dependence in the newborn period. He had fetal growth restriction, facial dysmorphism, high arched palate, bilateral cryptorchidism, hypoplastic pons and cerebellum and probable hearing impairment. He succumbed to the illness on day 24 of life. There was a similar history of two previous sibling deaths in the early neonatal period due to respiratory insufficiency and history of multiple neonatal and infant deaths in the extended family. Transferrin iso-electric focusing was normal. Clinical exome sequencing revealed a novel homozygous missense mutation (c.1018G>A) in RFT1 gene [NM_052859; c.1018G>A; p.G340S; ENST00000296292] and the parents were heterozygous for the same (ClinVar SVC000778540). The pathogenic variants so far reported are all missense variants affecting the luminal loops; whereas the variant in our case is in the trans-membrane helical domain. A strong family history of neonatal deaths and similar presentations in the previous 2 siblings suggests the homogenous phenotype of this mutation. Severe respiratory insuffiency and ventilator dependence shows the lethality of the disease phenotype and incompatibility with survival beyond the neonatal period.				
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	Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. OBJECTIVE: Adequate data on fentanyl pharmacokinetics in neonates are lacking. The study was performed to compare serum concentrations and clinical outcome between continuous infusion (CI) and intermittent bolus (IB) doses of fentanyl for analgesia and sedation in neonates. METHODS: In this open-label randomised controlled trial, neonates requiring 24-48 hours of mechanical ventilation and fentanyl administration were recruited. In CI regimen, 1 mcg/kg loading dose was followed by 1 mcg/kg/hour infusion. In IB regimen, 1mcg/kg/dose was administered every 4 hours.Maximum six blood samples were collected in 48 hours from each baby at prespecified time points for estimating serum fentanyl concentration. Secondary outcomes were pain scores (Neonatal Infant Pain Scale and Neonatal Pain, Agitation and Sedation Scale for acute and ongoing pain, respectively) and incidence of adverse effects of fentanyl. RESULTS: 100 neonates were recruited, 53 in CI and 47 in IB group. In CI regimen, median (IQR) serum fentanyl concentration was 0.42 (0.35, 0.46) to 0.61 (0.47, 0.89) ng/mL throughout the infusion period. In IB regimen, median (IQR) peak concentration ranged from 2.21 (1.82, 3.55) to 3.61 (2.91, 4.51) ng/mL and trough concentration 0.41 (0.33, 0.48) to 0.97 (0.56, 1.25) ng/mL for various doses.Median (IQR) peak concentration (Cmax, 3.06 (1.09, 4.50) vs 0.78 (0.49, 1.73) ng/mL; p<0.001) was significantly higher and area under concentration-time curve (AUCO-24, 19.6 (10.4, 33.5) vs 13.2 (10.8, 22.6) microg.hour/L; p=0.12) was higher (though not statistically significant) in IB than CI regimen. Pain scores and adverse effects were comparable between the two regimens. CONCLUSION: CI regimen of fentanyl produces steady serum concentrations, whereas IB regimen produces wide fluctuations in serum concentration with high-peak concentrations. A serum fentanyl concentration in neonates. TRIAL REGISTRATION NUMBER: CTR				
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	growth in preterm infants. The allocation should have been started in the first week of life and should have been continued at least until the baby reaches full enteral feeds. The investigator could choose to discard the gastric residual in the re-feeding group, if the gastric residual quality is not satisfactory. However, the criteria for discarding gastric residual should have been pre-defined. We will undertake subgroup analysis based on the gestational age (≤ 27 weeks, 28 weeks to 31 weeks, ≥ 32 weeks), birth weight (< 1000 g, 1000 g to 1499 g, ≥ 1500 g), type of milk (human milk or formula milk), quality of the gastric residual (fresh milk, curded milk or bile-stained gastric residual), the volume of gastric residual replaced (total volume, 50% of the volume, volume of the next feed or pre-specified volume irrespective of the volume of gastric residual that is re-fed is included in or excluded from the volume of the next feed (Subgroup analysis and investigation of heterogeneity). © 2018 The Cochrane Collaboration. Published by John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.				
8.	Abiramalatha, T., Thanigainathan, S. and Ninan, B. Routine monitoring of gastric residual for prevention of necrotising enterocolitis in preterm infants Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews; 2018, 2018 (1): This is a protocol for a Cochrane Review (Intervention). The objectives are as follows: To assess the efficacy and safety of routine monitoring of gastric residual versus no monitoring of gastric residual on the incidence of necrotising enterocolitis (NEC) in preterm infants. To assess the efficacy and safety of routine monitoring of gastric residual with two different criteria for interrupting feeds or decreasing feed volume on the incidence of NEC in preterm infants. We will undertake subgroup analysis based on the gestational age (≤ 27 weeks, 28 weeks to 31 weeks, ≥ 32 weeks), birth weight (< 1000 g, 1000 g to 1499 g, ≥ 1500 g), small for gestational age versus appropriate for gestational age infants (classified using birth weight relative to the reference population), type of feeds the infant is receiving (human milk or formula milk), and frequency of monitoring of gastric residual (before every feed, before every third feed, etc) (Subgroup analysis and investigation of heterogeneity). © 2018 The Cochrane Collaboration. Published by John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEONATOLOGY	SCOPUS
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10.	Abraham, A. P., Gandham, E. J., Prabhu, K. and Chacko, A. G. Authors' Reply: In defence of subgaleoatrial shunt! Neurol India; 2018, 66 (1): 286-287 Address: Section of Neurosurgery, Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROSURGERY	PMID:29323022 WOS:000423136200077
11.	Abraham, A. S., Chacko, M. P., Fouzia, N. A., Srivastava, A. and Daniel, D. Antibodies to human platelet antigens form a significant proportion of platelet antibodies detected in Indian patients with refractoriness to platelet transfusions Transfus Med; 2018, 28 (5): 392-397 Address: Department of Transfusion Medicine & Immunohematology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Clinical Hematology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. BACKGROUND: The transfusion of platelets is an important therapeutic strategy in bleeding patients with thrombocytopenia. However, some chronically transfused patients fail to achieve the appropriate platelet count increment following transfusion due to the presence of platelet alloantibodies. OBJECTIVES: The aims of this research were to study the prevalence of platelet alloimmunisation and to characterise the platelet-reactive (PR) antibodies in haematology patients refractory to platelet transfusions in an Indian setting. PATIENTS AND METHODS: A total of 80 patients with a prior history of multiple transfusions (minimum of five cellular transfusions) were included in the study if they did not achieve an adequate corrected count increment within 24 h of the platelet transfusion. Patients with non-immunological causes of platelet trefractoriness were excluded from the study. The test was performed on a blood sample in which plasma was separated and stored at -80 degrees C and underwent batch testing in PAK-2LE. RESULTS: The overall prevalence of platelet alloimmunisation in our study was 60%. Of the 48 patients who were detected to have platelet antibodies, the combination of anti-human leucocyte antigen (HLA) and platelet-specific (PS) antibodies together constituted the majority of 54.2%. The overall prevalence of anti-HLA antibodies was 51.25% and of PS antibodies was 41.25% in the total study population of 80. CONCLUSION: The overall prevalence of PS antibodies in our study was greater than that reported by other groups in India and other countries. This	INT	JAN TO JUNE	TRANSFUSION MEDICINE & IMMUNOHEMATOLOGY	PMI D:29460307 SCOPUS WOS:000447312500008

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16.	Abraham, K., Thomas, E. and Lionel, J. New Evidence to Support Antibiotic Prophylaxis in Meconium-Stained Amniotic Fluid in Low-Risk Women in Labor a Prospective Cohort Study J Obstet Gynaecol India; 2018, 68 (5): 360-365 Address: Unit 1, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, 632004 India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b Purpose of study: To assess the maternal and perinatal complications associated with meconium-stained amniotic fluid (MSAF) in low-risk women in labor. Methods: This prospective cohort study was conducted at CMC Hospital, Vellore, India. Two hundred low-risk women who had artificial or spontaneous rupture of membranes after admission with MSAF were included in the study. Two hundred similar women with clear liquor were taken as controls. The primary outcomes considered were the incidence of chorioamnionitis and endomyometritis in the mothers. The secondary outcomes included postpartum hemorrhage and retained placenta in the mothers and respiratory distress, meconium aspiration, sepsis, and NICU admission in the newborn. Statistical analysis was done using Fischer exact test. Odds ratio, 95% confidence interval, and P value were estimated. Results: Compared to controls, those with MSAF had significantly higher rates of chorioamnionitis (2 vs. 8%, P = 0.006) and endomyometritis (3 vs. 9.5% P = 0.007). Among the secondary end points, only neonatal respiratory distress (8.5 vs. 1.5%; P = 0.001) and meconium aspiration (4 vs. 0%; P = 0.007) were found to be significantly increased in the meconium group. Conclusion: Statistically significant increased incidence of chorioamnionitis and endomyometritis in women with MSAF in labor established in our study strongly supports the use of prophylactic antibiotics in these women to prevent immediate and long-term consequences.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY	PMI D:30224839 PMC I D:6133797 SCOPUS
17.	Abraham, M. A., Jose, R. and Paul, M. J. Seesawing end-tidal carbon dioxide: portent of critical carbon dioxide embolism in retroperitoneoscopy BMJ Case Rep; 2018, 2018 Address: Department of Anaesthesiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	ANAESTHESIOLOGY, ENDOCRINE SURGERY	PMID:29367357 SCOPUS

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	Department of Endocrine Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. An abrupt increase in end-tidal CO2 (EtCO2; from 35 to 58 mm Hg) followed by a sudden fall (to 18 mm Hg) was noted during retroperitoneoscopic adrenalectomy under general anaesthesia in a 23-year-old patient with adrenal hyperplasia. This was accompanied by hypotension (systolic blood pressure of 60 mm Hg), desaturation (88% SpO2) and ST depression (3.5 mm). The patient was resuscitated with fluids and vasopressor drugs and about 4 mL of air was aspirated through the central venous catheter, confirming the diagnosis of an intraoperative gas embolism. Later, a rent in the adrenal vein extending into the inferior vena cava was discovered and sutured. The blood pressure, EtCO2, ST segment and pulse oximetry returned to normal after 15 min. This case demonstrates that gas embolism may transpire during retroperitoneoscopic adrenalectomy and an acute rise followed by a sharp fall in EtCO2 should alert the anaesthesiologist to this rare but potentially fatal complication.				
18.	Abu Alex, Ansu, Ganesan, Saravanan, Palani, Hamenth Kumar, Balasundaram, Nithya, David, Sachin, Lakshmi, Kavitha M., Kulkarni, Uday P., Nisham, P. N., Korula, Anu, Devasia, Anup J., Janet, Nancy Beryl, Abraham, Aby, Srivastava, Alok, George, Biju, Padua, Rose Ann, Chomienne, Christine, Balasubramanian, Poonkuzhali and Mathews, Vikram Arsenic Trioxide Enhances the NK Cell Cytotoxicity Against Acute Promyelocytic Leukemia While Simultaneously Inhibiting Its Bio-Genesis Frontiers in Immunology; 2018, 9	INT	JAN TO JUNE	HEMATOLOGY	WOS :000435376900001
	Natural killer cells (NK) contribute significantly to eradication of cancer cells, and there is increased interest in strategies to enhance it's efficacy. Therapeutic agents used in the treatment of cancer can impact the immune system in a quantitative and qualitative manner. In this study, we evaluated the impact of arsenic trioxide (ATO) used in the management of acute promyelocytic leukemia (APL) on NK cell reconstitution and function. In patients with APL treated with single agent ATO, there was a significant delay in the reconstitution of circulating NK cells to reach median normal levels from the time of diagnosis (655 days for NK cells vs 145 and 265 days for T cells and B cells, respectively). to vitro experiments demonstrated that ATO significantly reduced the CD34 hematopoietic stem cell (HSC) differentiation to NK cells. Additional experimental data demonstrate that CD34(+) sorted cells when exposed to ATO lead to a significant decrease in the expression of 1KZF2, ETS1, and TOX transcription factors involved in NK cell differentiation and maturation. In contrast, exposure of NK cells and				

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	leukemic cells to low doses of ATO modulates NK cell receptors and malignant cell ligand profile in a direction that enhances NK cell mediated cytolytic activity. We have demonstrated that NK cytolytic activity toward NB4 cell line when exposed to ATO was significantly higher when compared with controls. We also validated this beneficial effect in a mouse model of APL were the median survival with ATO alone and ATO + NK was 44 days (range: 33-46) vs 54 days (range: 52-75). In conclusion, ATO has a differential quantitative and qualitative effect on NK cell activity. This information can potentially be exploited in the management of leukemia.				
19.	Agarwal, Aniruddha, Choudhary, Tripti and Gupta, Vishali Optical coherence tomography angiography features of bilateral retinopathy associated with Chikungunya fever Indian Journal of Ophthalmology; 2018, 66 (1): 142-145 A 66-year-old male patient presented with decreased vision in both eyes following episode of Chikungunya fever. Examination revealed bilateral retinal lesions with stippled pigmentary changes at the level of the choriocapillaris, involving the macula in the left eye. The retinopathy consisted of outer retinal disruption and retinochoroidal flow abnormalities detected using with additional imaging, including spectral-domain optical coherence tomography (OCT), autofluorescence, and OCT angiography (OCTA). The index case report describes unique OCTA findings in both eyes of an elderly male secondary to Chikungunya fever. Using the technique of OCTA, insights into the mechanisms of visual damage in viral retinopathies such as Chikungunya fever can be understood.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	OPHTHALMOLOGY	WOS :000426338600033
20.	Ahmed, M., Keshava, S. N., Moses, V. and Valson, A. T. Endovascular management of a large retroperitoneal haemorrhage resulting from dual testicular and intra-renal arterial injury after renal biopsy Indian J Radiol Imaging; 2018, 28 (3): 362-365 Address: Department of Radiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Nephrology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Percutaneous renal biopsy is a minimally invasive procedure in the work up of a chronic kidney disease patient. However, it is not free from the complications. Hematuria and abdominal haemorrhage due to intra-renal artery injury are the common complications. We report and discuss the management of a rare case of retroperitoneal haemorrhage resulting from dual arterial injury involving left testicular artery and intra-renal artery.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	RADIOLOGY, NEPHROLOGY	PMID:30319216 PMC ID:6176666 SCOPUS

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	AIMS AND OBJECTIVES: To evaluate technical feasibility, long-term primary patency and clinical outcome of the transjugular intrahepatic portosystemic shunt (TIPS) through the struts of the previously placed stents. MATERIALS AND METHODS: Retrospective evaluation of seven consecutive patients (three male and four female, age range 13-65 years, median 28) out of a total 95 patients, who underwent TIPS through the strut of the previously placed stents of hepatic vein (HV), inferior vena cava (IVC) or TIPS in a single tertiary care hospital. Six of the patients were diagnosed with Budd-Chiari syndrome (BCS) and one with alcohol-induced chronic liver disease (CLD). Kaplan-Meier test was used to calculate 18- and 60-month primary patency rate of TIPS stent. RESULTS: TIPS through the strut of a previously placed stent was technically successful in all the patients (100%). The TIPS was direct intrahepatic portosystemic shunt (DIPS) in 5/7 cases, due to occluded HV. Mean portosystemic pressure gradient (PPG) reduced from 24 mmHg +/- 5.9 (range, pre-TIPS 15-31 mmHg) to 8.57 mmHg +/- 4.4 (range, post-TIPS, 3-14 mmHg). One patient required three sessions of TIPS revisions. Another patient needed TIPS revision after 5 years of TIPS creation. All the patients showed improvement in clinical symptoms and in mean Child-Turcotte-Pugh (CTP) score and modified end-stage liver disease (MELD) score during mean follow-up period 40.57 month +/- 34.9 (range 3-100 month). Primary patency rates of TIPS stent measured with Kaplan-Meier estimate at 18- and 60-month follow-up were 80% (95% CI, 37-97%) and 40% (95% CI, 10-97%), respectively. CONCLUSION: TIPS through the strut of a previously placed stent is technically feasible with good long-term primary patency and clinical outcome.				
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	Department of Anaesthesiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Neuroanesthesia Division, Department of Anaesthesiology, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Trivandrum, India. drajay@sctimst.ac.in. One of the primary goals of anaesthesia in neurosurgical procedures is prevention of cerebral hypoxia leading to secondary neurological injury. Cerebral oximetry detects periods of cerebral hypoxemia and allows intervention for prevention of secondary brain injury and its sequelae. This can be achieved by the use of Near Infrared Spectroscopy (NIRS). In this regard, we present two cases where erroneous values of NIRS were shown which hindered monitoring of cerebral oxygenation in the intraoperative setting. In a neurosurgical setting, the erroneous values on the operative side could be attributed to altered tissue boundary conditions resulting in a changed optical path, which is normally held as a constant in NIRS measurements. The altered tissue boundary conditions could be due to the presence of air or blood between the myocutaneous flapskull, skull-dura, dura-brain interphases. It could also be that the sensors' penetrating depth was inadequate to compensate for the increased distance between sensor and brain tissue, thereby resulting in inaccurately higher values (> 80%).				
23.	Al-Abadi, B., Al-Abadi, J., Al-Fannah, W., Jeyaseelan, L., Al-Maniri, A. and Al-Mahrezi, A. The Prevalence and Characteristics of Frequent Attenders in Primary Health Care in A'Dakhiliyah Governorate of Oman Oman Med J; 2018, 33 (4): 331-336 Address: Directorate of Primary Health Care, Ministry of Health, Muscat, Oman. Department of Outpatient Clinics, Armed Forces Hospital, Salalah, Oman. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Research, Oman Medical Specialty Board, Muscat, Oman. Department of Family Medicine and Public Health, College of Medicine and Health Sciences, Sultan Qaboos University, Muscat, Oman. Objectives: Frequent attenders (FAs) in general practice receive significant attention in primary care research due to the financial costs associated with the higher utilization of health care services. The main objective of this study was to determine the prevalence of FAs in Oman by studying the overall rates of adult patient visits to primary health care centers (PHCs) and identify the characteristics of this group of patients. Methods: We conducted a retrospective longitudinal study including all adults aged 18 years and above who	INT	JAN TO JUNE	BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:30038733 PMC ID:6047176 SCOPUS

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	visited general practitioner clinics at four selected PHCs in the A'Dakhiliyah governorate of Oman. Sociodemographic data and number of visits were extracted from the electronic medical records system. Results: A total number of 12 902 adult patients contributed to 42 425 patient visits, with the number of visits made by individual patients ranging from 1 to 62. FAs constituted 2.4% (n = 313) of the total subjects and made 5449 (12.8%) visits. The mean rate of visits per patient per year was 3.2, while the median was two visits. The overall rate of visits per day was more than two-times higher in females (79.6 per day) compared to males (36.6 per day) and was about five-times higher in female FA (12.3 vs. 2.6). Conclusions: FAs represent a small proportion of patients attending PHCs in Oman. The proportion of females was higher among FAs and they also contributed to a higher number of visits to PHCs.				
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	Institut Universitaire d'Hematologie, Universite Paris Diderot, Paris, France. Natural killer cells (NK) contribute significantly to eradication of cancer cells, and there is increased interest in strategies to enhance it's efficacy. Therapeutic agents used in the treatment of cancer can impact the immune system in a quantitative and qualitative manner. In this study, we evaluated the impact of arsenic trioxide (ATO) used in the management of acute promyelocytic leukemia (APL) on NK cell reconstitution and function. In patients with APL treated with single agent ATO, there was a significant delay in the reconstitution of circulating NK cells to reach median normal levels from the time of diagnosis (655 days for NK cells vs 145 and 265 days for T cells and B cells, respectively). In vitro experiments demonstrated that ATO significantly reduced the CD34 hematopoietic stem cell (HSC) differentiation to NK cells. Additional experimental data demonstrate that CD34(+) sorted cells when exposed to ATO lead to a significant decrease in the expression of IKZF2, ETS1, and TOX transcription factors involved in NK cell differentiation and maturation. In contrast, exposure of NK cells and leukemic cells to low doses of ATO modulates NK cell receptors and malignant cell ligand profile in a direction that enhances NK cell mediated cytolytic activity. We have demonstrated that NK cytolytic activity toward NB4 cell line when exposed to ATO was significantly higher when compared with controls. We also validated this beneficial effect in a mouse model of APL were the median survival with ATO alone and ATO + NK was 44 days (range: 33-46) vs 54 days (range: 52-75). In conclusion, ATO has a differential quantitative and qualitative effect on NK cell activity. This information can potentially be exploited in the management of leukemia.				
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	Results: At one month follow-up, the incidence rate for primary end points was 5 events per 43 patients (11.6%) in pharmacoinvasive arm and 18 events per 95 patients (18.9%) in primary PCI arm, a difference of - 7.3% (95% confidence interval: 18.5, 7.1). This finding shows that pharmacoinvasive strategy as compared with primary PCI in the management of STEMI was equivalent in terms of composite primary outcome. There was no significant difference between the secondary outcomes between the two groups. Use of thrombus aspiration device and in turn the thrombus burden was significantly lower in the pharmacoinvasive arm. Conclusion: This observational study showed that pharmacoinvasive strategy was as good as primary PCI in STEMI, in our setting, where primary PCI may be delayed or not possible at all due to financial and logistic constraints. © 2018 Journal of Postgraduate Medicine. DOI: 10.4103/jpgm.JPGM_766_16				
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28.	Amritanand, A., Simha, A. R., Baglari, R., Roselin, J., Michael, J. and Mahasampath, G. Agreement of axial length measurements by three different	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	MICROBIOLOGY	SCOPUS

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	biometric devices Journal of Clinical and Diagnostic Research; 2018, 12 (6): NC01-NC04 Introduction: Accurate Intraocular Lens (IOL) power calculation is crucial for spectacle independence and patient satisfaction post cataract surgery. Of the various parameters measured to calculate IOL power, Axial Length (AL) is the most crucial. There have been several advances in AL measurement devices with the current gold standard being Optical Biometry (OB). However, OB cannot be used in all cases and hence the earlier Ultrasound (US) biometry continues to be relevant. It is however important to conduct agreement analysis with the gold standard to ensure accuracy of results in all cases. Aim: To compare the AL measurements obtained by Tomey AL 4000 US biometer and pachymeter (Tomey US), built in US biometer of the Nidek AL Scan biometer (Nidek AL US), and the Nidek AL partial coherence interferometry optical biometer (Nidek AL OB). Materials and Methods: This was a non-interventional cross-sectional observational study. Patients with immature cataract satisfying the inclusion criteria scheduled for surgery and undergoing biometry underwent AL measurements by the three methods. AL measurements obtained with the two US devices were compared with OB measurements and agreement analysis was done. Results: A total of 98 eyes of 60 patients were studied. The average AL measured by the three devices were, 22.97±0.79 mm by Tomey US, 23.24±0.89 mm by the built in applanation US of Nidek AL US scan and 23.08±0.81 mm by the Nidek AL OB. The mean inter-device difference in AL between Tomey US and Nidek AL OB was -0.11±0.15 mm and 0.16±0.44 mm between Nidek US and Nidek OB. There was excellent correlation between the Nidek AL OB and the Tomey US, Interclass Correlation (ICC)=0.98, 95% CI (0.95, 0.99). Bland Altman Plot analysis also showed high agreement between these two devices. About 94% of the values were within 0.3 mm difference. Conclusion: There was excellent correlation of AL as measured by Nidek AL OB and Tomey US. © 2018,				
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	University School of Medicine, Stanford, CA, USA. Typhoid fever is an acute systemic infectious disease responsible for an estimated 12-20 million illnesses and over 150 000 deaths				
	annually. In March, 2018, a new recommendation was issued by WHO for the programmatic use of typhoid conjugate vaccines in				
	endemic countries. Health economic analyses of typhoid vaccines have informed funding decisions and national policies regarding				
	vaccine rollout. However, by focusing only on averted typhoid cases and their associated costs, traditional cost-effectiveness analyses				
	might underestimate crucial benefits of typhoid vaccination programmes, because the potential effect of typhoid vaccines on				
	the treatment of patients with non-specific acute febrile illnesses is not considered. For every true case of typhoid fever, three to 25 patients without typhoid disease are treated with antimicrobials				
	unnecessarily, conservatively amounting to more than 50 million prescriptions per year. Antimicrobials for suspected typhoid might				
	therefore be an important selective pressure for the emergence and spread of antimicrobial resistance globally. We propose that				
	large-scale, more aggressive typhoid vaccination programmes-including catch-up campaigns in children up to 15				
	years of age, and vaccination in lower incidence settings-have the				

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	potential to reduce the overuse of antimicrobials and thereby reduce antimicrobial resistance in many bacterial pathogens. Funding bodies and national governments must therefore consider the potential for broad reductions in antimicrobial use and resistance in decisions related to the rollout of typhoid conjugate vaccines.				
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	computer-assisted neighbourhood analysis in quantitative immunohistochemistry (IHC) framework. The concept of field cancerization was contributory in finding correspondence among neighbouring cells of epithelial layers with reference to differential expression of cardinal cancer-related genes [c-Myc (oncogene), p53 (tumour suppressor), and HIF-1alpha (hypoxia regulator)] which are known to be important sensors in recognizing cellular competitive interface. Our analyses indicate that different states of OSF condition may be associated with different forms of competitiveness within epithelial neighbouring cells which might be responsible to shape the present and future of the pre-malignant condition. Analytical findings indicated association of atrophic epithelium with stress-driven competitive environment having low c-Myc, high-p53, and stable HIF-1alpha (the looser cells) which undergo apoptosis. Whereas, the cells with high c-Myc(+) (winner cells) give rise to hyperplastic epithelium via possible mutation in p53. The epithelial dysplasia plausibly occurs due to clonal expansion of c-Myc and p53 positive supercompetitor cells. Present study proposes quantitative IHC along with neighbourhood analysis which might help us to dig deeper on to the interaction among epithelial cell population to provide a better understanding of field cancerization and malignant transformation of pre-malignancy.				
32.	Appasamy, P. T., Dan, T. A., Bandyopadhyay, V., Mathew, V., Jeyaseelan, V., Babu, S., Aaron, S. and Alexander, M. Accuracy and reliability of Babinski sign versus finger and foot tapping in the diagnosis of corticospinal tract lesions Neurol India; 2018, 66 (5): 1377-1380 Address: Department of Neurology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Introduction: The Babinski sign is one of the most important clinical signs for detecting corticospinal tract (CST) lesions. However, due to variations in testing and interpretation, it has been associated with low interobserver agreement rates. In this study, the diagnostic value of finger and foot tapping in detecting CST lesions was compared to that of the Babinski sign. Materials and Methods: Three groups of participants were recruited: Group 1 - individuals having CST lesions diagnosed on the basis of clinical examination as well as neuroimaging; group 2 - individuals having a non-CST neurological illness; group 3 - normal individuals who were relatives of the patients recruited. The sensitivity and specificity of finger tapping, foot tapping, and Babinski sign were calculated. Results: 375 patients, 125 in each group, were included. The overall sensitivity for Babinski sign was 49.6% and specificity was 85.8%. The overall sensitivity for finger and foot tapping was 79.5% and specificity was 88.4%. The interobserver agreement between the medical students and the neurologist was greater for finger and foot	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROLOGY	PMI D:30233007 SCOPUS WOS:000447605100029

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	tapping (Kappa = 0.83) when compared to Babinski sign (Kappa = 0.45). Conclusion: Finger and foot tapping is a valid and reliable test in the clinical diagnosis of corticospinal lesions. The reliability and validity of Babinski sign is variable and thus its ability to diagnose the manifestations of corticospinal lesions is less when compared to the finger and foot tapping test.				
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	management of HBV infection in patients receiving chemotherapy, biologicals, immunosupressants, or corticosteroids are addressed. © 2018				
35.	Arora, D., Kate, M. P., Verma, S. J., Sylaja, P. N., Padma, M. V., Bhatia, R., Khurana, D., Aaron, S., Sadiq, M., Kaul, S., Jabeen, S. A., Ojha, P., Kulkarni, G. B., Sharma, A., Ray, B. K., Borah, N. C., Ghosh, M., Sharma, M., Pandian, J. D. and Instruct, I. SECONDARY PREVENTION BY STRUCTURED SEMI-INTERACTIVE STROKE PREVENTION PACKAGE IN INDIA (SPRINT INDIA) STUDY: FORMATIVE, ACCEPTABILITY AND IMPLEMENTATION STAGES OF THE STUDY International Journal of Stroke; 2018, 13 100-100	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROLOGY	WOS :000448113301205

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	Background: Schizophrenia, a chronic psychiatric disorder, can affect one's productivity and psychosocial functioning. In Indian context, the responsibility of caring persons with schizophrenia is increasingly on their spouses. Spousal caregiver experience and its relation with disability in schizophrenia need to be studied. Materials and Methods: We conducted a cross-sectional study among 52 outpatients with schizophrenia and their spouses attending a tertiary psychiatric center. The objectives were: (a) to explore spousal caregiver burden in schizophrenia and (b) to assess the relation between disability and spousal caregiver burden. The study adopted recommended ethical principles. Scales such as Burden Assessment Scale (IDEAS), and Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale were used to collect appropriate data. Descriptive analysis, bivariate analysis, and multivariate analysis were done in SPSS software version 16.0. Results: The mean spousal caregiver burden score was 73.5 (standard deviation: 14.0). In bivariate analysis, disability, duration of schizophrenia, severity of schizophrenia, place of residence, and socioeconomic status had statistically significant relation with spousal caregiver burden. Adjusted for spouses' age, gender, and other significant factors in bivariate analysis, the IDEAS global disability score (2.6, [confidence interval 0.5-3.8, P = 0.013]) retained statistically significant association with spousal caregiver burden. Conclusion: Spouses of persons with schizophrenia experience significant caregiver burden. Disability was found to be the most powerful determinant of spousal caregiver burden in the sample. Focus on disability alleviation in the management of schizophrenia may help reduce spousal caregiver burden.				
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	oil to aid better weight gain. There are inadequate data on improvement of growth parameters with oral coconut oil supplementation of breast milk. Methods: In this randomized controlled trial, we measured growth parameters and body composition of 60 babies who received either breast milk with coconut oil or breast milk alone. Randomization was stratified according to intrauterine growth appropriate for gestational age (n = 30) and small for gestational age (n = 30). Results: There was no difference in weight gain between the two groups. The weight gain velocity was 15 +/- 3.6 and 14.4 +/- 3.4 g/kg/day (p value = 0.49) in the breast milk alone and in the breast milk with coconut oil group, respectively. There was no difference in increase in head circumference and length. Triceps skinfold thickness (n = 56) was similar in both groups, but subscapular skinfold thickness was significantly more in the coconut oil group. Total body fat percentage did not differ between the groups (25.2 +/- 4.3 vs. 25.5 +/- 4.3%, p = 0.79). Conclusion: Oral supplementation of coconut oil along with breast milk did not increase growth parameters or result in change in body composition in very low birth weight (VLBW) babies.				
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	Current control strategies for soil-transmitted helminths (STH)				
	emphasize morbidity control through mass drug administration				
	(MDA) targeting preschool- and school-age children, women of				
	childbearing age and adults in certain high-risk occupations such as				
	agricultural laborers or miners. This strategy is effective at reducing				
	morbidity in those treated but, without massive economic				
	development, it is unlikely it will interrupt transmission. MDA will				
	therefore need to continue indefinitely to maintain benefit.				
	Mathematical models suggest that transmission interruption may be				
	achievable through MDA alone, provided that all age groups are				
	targeted with high coverage. The DeWorm3 Project will test the				
	feasibility of interrupting STH transmission using biannual MDA				
	targeting all age groups. Study sites (population >/=80,000) have				
	been identified in Benin, Malawi and India. Each site will be divided				
	into 40 clusters, to be randomized 1:1 to three years of				
	twice-annual community-wide MDA or standard-of-care MDA,				
	typically annual school-based deworming. Community-wide MDA				
	will be delivered door-to-door, while standard-of-care MDA will be				
	delivered according to national guidelines. The primary outcome is				
	transmission interruption of the STH species present at each site,				
	defined as weighted cluster-level prevalence =2% by</td <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>				
	quantitative polymerase chain reaction (qPCR), 24 months after the				
	final round of MDA. Secondary outcomes include the endline				
	prevalence of STH, overall and by species, and the endline				
	prevalence of STH among children under five as an indicator of				
	incident infections. Secondary analyses will identify cluster-level				
	factors associated with transmission interruption. Prevalence will be				

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	assessed using qPCR of stool samples collected from a random sample of cluster residents at baseline, six months after the final round of MDA and 24 months post-MDA. A smaller number of individuals in each cluster will be followed with annual sampling to monitor trends in prevalence and reinfection throughout the trial. TRIAL REGISTRATION: ClinicalTrials.gov NCT03014167.				
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	Objective: The aim of this retrospective study is to systematically examine the cases registered under the Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisement) Act, 1954 (DMR (OA)), and identify the bottlenecks that hinder the effective implementation of the Act in the state of Andhra Pradesh. Methods: A total of n = 58 court cases that were declared as convicted/acquitted under the DMR (OA) Act, 1954, by the final judgment during the period of January 2014–March 2017 were studied retrospectively. Key findings: Misleading claims advertised for the treatment of fevers in general 36.2% were significantly higher. Diabetes 15.5% and asthma 8.6% were the other diseases. The majority of the cases 77.6% were declared either as convicted or acquitted in the final judgement within a time span of 1 year from the date of court case registration. Most of the convicted companies were in the Himachal Pradesh of India (28%). Ambiguity regarding the regulations of dietary supplements, Indian Systems of Medicine & herbal products, ayurvedic cosmetics, varying regulatory infrastructure across different states and nonuniformity of interpretation with reference to the licensing system was identified as the probable reasons that deter the effective implementation of the Act. Conclusion: The global problem of SF medical products can be tackled only when the governments take radical steps. Considering the recommendations of Dr. R.A. Mashelkar Committee faster and strict implementation of the rules besides improving the coordination at every level is the greatest need of the hour. © 2017 Royal Pharmaceutical Society	INT			
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	disease and with a baseline EF of more than 45% who received a permanent pacemaker. They were observed over a 6-month period. PiCMP was defined as a decrease in LVEF by 10 percentage points or a decrease in LV strain by 15% from baseline in the absence of other known causes of cardiomyopathy. PiCMP incidence and its associations were analyzed over a 6-month period. Results: The incidence of PiCMP was not only significant over a period of 6 months but also at 24 hours. Significant drops in 3D EF were noted in one (2.8%) patient at 24 hours and in another four (11.1%) patients at 6 months. A significant decrease in LV global longitudinal strain was noted in 23 (63.9%) patients by 6 months. In seven of these patients, there was significant decrease in global longitudinal strain 24 hours after implantation. In analyzing longitudinal strain, the parameter significantly influencing a decrease was a pacing percentage of >/=20% (p = 0.023). Conclusions: PiCMP is not uncommon in patients undergoing pacemaker implantation and is associated with RV pacing. PiCMP was associated with a ventricular pacing percentage of >/=20%. 3D echocardiography with LV strain analysis plays a vital role in identifying LV dysfunction at an earlier stage compared to EF. PiCMP, if picked up and intervened upon early, can help impede its progression.				
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	complications like dengue shock syndrome. However, neurological complications are very rare. Dengue encephalitis occurs by a direct involvement of central nervous system by the dengue virus which is an extremely rare complication. A 33-year-old man presented with fever, vomiting and severe headache. He had one episode of generalised tonic-clonic seizure followed by an altered sensorium on the day of admission to the hospital. The diagnosis of dengue fever was confirmed by dengue serology (IgM) and (NS1) antigen assay. MRI brain was suggestive of encephalitis. Thus, the patient was treated symptomatically and discharged in stable condition with minimal neurological deficit.				
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	O04, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of General Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632 004, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632 004, Tamil Nadu, India. Electronic Address: vbalaji@cmcvellore.ac.in. OBJECTIVES: Glycopeptides are increasingly being used to treat multiresistant methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) infections. Here we report an MRSA isolate with low-level teicoplanin resistance (isolate VB26276) recovered from a patient treated with teicoplanin for fatal necrotizing fasciitis. METHODS: Minimum inhibitory concentrations (MICs) of MRSA isolates to vancomycin and teicoplanin were determined by Etest. Reduced glycopeptide susceptibility was screened by Etest GRD (glycopeptide resistance detection) and population analysis profile (PAP) method. Next-generation sequencing (NGS) was also performed to determine the molecular mechanism of antimicrobial resistance and virulence. RESULTS: The teicoplanin MIC of MRSA isolate VB26276 was 4mug/mL. NGS showed the presence of mutations in the tcaA and tcaB genes of the tcaRAB operon that determines the level of teicoplanin resistance. In addition, a mutation in the vraR gene was found to be associated with teicoplanin resistance, but not with vancomycin heteroresistance. CONCLUSION: Teicoplanin resistance may occur due to point mutations in the teicoplanin resistance operon tcaRAB. Further studies are warranted to determine the contribution of point mutations in tcaRAB to reduced teicoplanin susceptibility.				
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	twentieth century. Despite their availability, licensed immunogenic				
	conjugate typhoid vaccines have not been introduced in the national				
	immunization program, in part, because of a lack of understanding				
	of where and for whom prevention is most necessary. Uncertainty				
	regarding the burden of disease is based on the lack of reliable, recent estimates of culture-confirmed typhoid and an observed				
	trend of low isolations of Salmonella Typhi and fewer complications				
	at large referral hospitals in India. In this article, we examine the				
	trends of S. Typhi isolation at three large tertiary care centers				
	across India over 15 years and describe trends of recognized risk				
	factors for typhoid from published literature. There appears to be a				
	decline in the isolation of S. Typhi in blood cultures, which is more				
	apparent in the past 5 years. These trends are temporally related to				
	economic improvement, female literacy, and the use of antibiotics				
	such as cephalosporins and azithromycin. The analysis of trends of				
	culture-confirmed typhoid may not accurately capture the typhoid				
	incidence trends if antibiotic use confounds the burden of disease				
	presenting to larger facilities. Emerging antimicrobial resistance				
	may result in a resurgence of disease if the underlying incidence and				
	transmission of typhoid are not adequately addressed through				
	public health approaches.				
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	from India unveils molecular diversity and confers regional			WEDICINE	VVO3. 000437442000034
	association in Southeast Asia				
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	OBJECTIVES: Burkholderia pseudomallei, the causative agent for				
	melioidosis, has become a public health problem in India and across				
	the world. Melioidosis can be difficult to diagnose because of the				
	inconsistent clinical presentations of the disease. This study aims to				
	determine the genetic diversity among the clinical isolates of B.				
	pseudomaelli from India in order to establish a molecular				
	epidemiology and elucidate the Southeast Asian association.				
	METHODS: Molecular typing using multi locus sequence typing was				
	performed on thirty one archived B. pseudomallei clinical isolates, previously characterised from specimens obtained from patients				
	admitted to the Christian Medical College & Hospital, Vellore from				
1	2015 to 2016. Further investigations into the genetic heterogeneity				

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	and evolution at a regional and global level were performed using insilico tools. RESULTS: Multi locus sequence typing (MLST) of the isolates from systemic and localized forms of melioidosis, including blood, pus, tissue, and urine specimens, revealed twenty isolates with novel sequence types and eleven with previously reported sequence types. High genetic diversity was observed using MLST with a strong association within the Southeast Asian region. CONCLUSIONS: Molecular typing of B. pseudomallei clinical isolates using MLST revealed high genetic diversity and provided a baseline molecular epidemiology of the disease in India with a strong Southeast Asian association of the strains. Future studies should focus on whole genome based Single-Nucleotide-Polymorphism (SNP) which has the advantage of a high discriminatory power, to further understand the novel sequence types reported in this study.				
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	benefit from EMG-based assisted therapy. When compared to EEG, a surface EMG interface requires significantly less preparation time, is easier to don/doff, and is more compact in size. Significance: This study shows that a large proportion of severely affected stroke patients have residual EMG, which yields a direct and practical way to trigger robot-assisted training. IEEE				
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	Osteoporosis in the younger age group is an important cause of morbidity. Prolactinoma is an uncommon but reversible cause of osteoporosis. The main mechanisms of osteoporosis in prolactinoma are reduced osteoblast activity and hypogonadism. A high index of suspicion is the key in diagnosis and management of this treatable entity.				
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	International Journal of Gynecological Cancer; 2018, 28 (4): 764-772 Objectives A global unmet medical need exists for effective treatments for persistent, recurrent, or metastatic cervical cancer, as patients have a short life expectancy. Recently, immunotherapies have shown promising survival benefits for patients with advanced forms of cancer. Axalimogene filolisbac (ADXS11-001), a Listeria monocytogenes immunotherapy with a broad effect on the immune system, is under investigation for treatment of human papillomavirus-associated cancers including cervical cancer. Methods This phase 2 study evaluated the safety and efficacy of ADXS11-001, administered with or without cisplatin, in patients with recurrent/refractory cervical cancer following prior chemotherapy and/or radiotherapy. A total of 109 patients were treated, and 69 were evaluable for tumor response at equal to or more than 3 months postbaseline. Results Median overall survival (OS) was comparable between treatment groups (ADXS11-001: 8.28 months; 95% confidence interval [CI], 5.85-10.5 months; ADXS11-001 + cisplatin: 8.78 months; 95% CI, 7.4-13.3 months). The 12- and 18-month milestone OS rates were 30.9% versus 38.9%, and 23.6% versus 25.9% for each group, respectively (34.9% and 24.8% combined). Median progression-free survival (6.10 vs 6.08 months) and the overall response rate (17.1% vs 14.7%) were similar for both groups. ADXS11-001 was generally well tolerated; adverse events were predominantly mild to moderate in severity and not related to treatment. More adverse events were reported in the combination group (429 vs 275). Conclusions These promising safety and efficacy results, including the encouraging 12-month 34.9% combined OS rate, warrant further investigation of ADXS11-001 for treatment of recurrent/refractory cervical cancer.	1101			
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	Bejamin Ross declare they have no conflict of interest.All procedures performed on our patient were in accordance with the ethical standards of the institutional and/or national research committee and with the 1964 Declaration of Helsinki and its later amendment or comparable ethical standards.Informed consent was obtained from the patient whose details are included in the case report. Additional consent was obtained for publication of scan images and the photograph of the baby.				
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	Wellcome Trust Research Laboratories, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632 004, India. Department of Cardiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632 004, India. Department of Hepatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632 004, India. eapen@cmcvellore.ac.in. BACKGROUND AND AIMS: The role of vasoactive chemicals in the pathogenesis of hepatopulmonary syndrome (HPS), a disorder characterized by intrapulmonary vascular dilation (IPVD), is only vaguely elucidated. We aimed to study the association between plasma H2S, nitrate levels, and presence and severity of IPVD and HPS. METHODS: Consecutive adult patients with cryptogenic cirrhosis were evaluated for IPVD (by contrast echocardiography) and for hypoxemia (by arterial blood gas analysis). Plasma H2S and nitrate levels were measured in these patients. RESULTS: Fifty-eight patients with cryptogenic cirrhosis (male, 45; median age, range, 45, 16-74 years; Child's class; A, 30; B, 18; C, 10) were enrolled in this study. Thirty-four of the 58 (59%) patients had IPVD and 13 (22%) had HPS (mild, 4; moderate, 5; severe, 2; very severe, 2). Plasma H2S levels were significantly higher in patients with IPVD (19.6, 5.7-83 mumol/L) as compared to patients who had no IPVD (12.3, 0-47 mumol/L; p-value 0.03) with an area under receiver operating characteristic curve of 0.68 (95% CI 0.53-0.84). Plasma H2S levels were higher in patients with IPVD irrespective of liver disease severity. There was a trend for higher plasma nitrate levels in patients with IPVD (47, 15.8-126.4 nmol/mL) as compared to patients who had no IPVD (32.3, 6.9-51.4 nmol/mL; p-value 0.1). Raised plasma H2S and nitrate levels had an additive effect on the presence of IPVD. Neither plasma H2S nor plasma nitrate levels correlated with the degree of hypoxemia. CONCLUSION: Raised plasma H2S and nitrate levels predict the presence of IPVD in patients with cryptogenic cirrhosis.				
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	2017, 20 patients were identified who underwent partial vaginectomy for VaIN. The electronic medical records were reviewed and information collated. Operative technique: A circular incision in mid-vagina, was taken for all these patients and the upper vagina was closed over a gauze pack. The proximal vagina was then excised with the gauze inside. Results: None of the patients had previously been treated for VaIN. The diagnosis was made on cytology/biopsy. Twelve of the 13 patients who were tested, were positive for high-risk HPV DNA, while one was negative. Thirteen (65%) had previous gynaecological surgery for cervical neoplasia (invasive cancer 6 and CIN 7) and the remaining 7 for apparent benign disease. There was one patient who went on to have a cone biopsy, and one had a modified radical hysterectomy at the same sitting. None of the patients had post-operative complications. Median hospital stay was 3 days (range 2–9). Follow-up (median 7 months, range 0–60) was available in 19 patients out of whom five had abnormal cytology, five were HPV DNA positive, and three had recurrent VaIN on follow-up biopsy and had re-excision for recurrence. One patient had vulvar intraepithelial neoplasia (VIN 3) and underwent excision. Another had CIN 3 and underwent excision of cervical stump. Conclusions: Vaginectomy appears to be a safe and efficacious procedure for treatment of VaIN. Patients have to be followed up with cytology, HPV testing, and biopsy to exclude vagina recurrence and HPV-related lesion at another site. © 2018, Federation of Obstetric & Gynecological Societies of India.				
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	Chennai , India.				
	BACKGROUND: The Indian HIPEC registry is a self-funded registry				
	instituted by a group of Indian surgeons for patients with peritoneal				
	metastases (PM) undergoing surgical treatment. This work was				
	performed to * Evaluate outcomes of cytoreductive surgery +/-				
	HIPEC in patients enrolled in the registry. * Identify operational				
	problems. METHODS: A retrospective analysis of patients enrolled				
	in the registry from March 2016 to September 2017 was performed.				
	An online survey was performed to study the surgeons' attitudes				
	and existing practices pertaining to the registry and identify operational problems. RESULTS: During the study period, 332				
	patients were enrolled in 8 participating centres. The common				
	indication was ovarian cancer for three centres and pseudomyxoma				
	peritonei for three others. The median PCI ranged from 3 to 23. A				
	CC-0/1 resection was obtained in 94.7%. There was no significant				
	difference in the morbidity (p = $.25$) and mortality (p = $.19$) rates				
	between different centres. There was a high rate of				
	failure-to-rescue (19.3%) patients with complications and the				
	survival in patients with colorectal PM was inferior. A lack of				
	dedicated personnel for data collection and entry was the main				
	reason for only 10/43 surgeons contributing data. The other				
	problem was the lack of complete electronic medical record systems				
	at all centres. CONCLUSIONS: These results validate existing				
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	fruitful collaboration between surgeons in the absence of any regulatory body or funding for the project.				
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	diligence in clinical diagnosis of skin lesions in the background of previous oncological diagnosis. (C) 2017 Elsevier Masson SAS. All rights reserved.				
73.	Bondu, J. D., Selvakumar, R. and Fleming, J. J. Validating a High Performance Liquid Chromatography-Ion Chromatography (HPLC-IC) Method with Conductivity Detection After Chemical Suppression for Water Fluoride Estimation Indian J Clin Biochem; 2018, 33 (1): 86-90 Address: Department of Clinical Biochemistry, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b A variety of methods, including the Ion Selective Electrode (ISE), have been used for estimation of fluoride levels in drinking water. But as these methods suffer many drawbacks, the newer method of IC has replaced many of these methods. The study aimed at (1) validating IC for estimation of fluoride levels in drinking water and (2) to assess drinking water fluoride levels of villages in and around Vellore district using IC. Forty nine paired drinking water samples were measured using ISE and IC method (Metrohm). Water samples from 165 randomly selected villages in and around Vellore district were collected for fluoride estimation over 1 year. Standardization of IC method showed good within run precision, linearity and coefficient of variance with correlation coefficient R(2) = 0.998. The limit of detection was 0.027 ppm and limit of quantification was 0.083 ppm. Among 165 villages, 46.1% of the villages recorded water fluoride levels >1.00 ppm from which 19.4% had levels ranging from 1 to 1.5 ppm, 10.9% had recorded levels 1.5-2 ppm and about 12.7% had levels of 2.0-3.0 ppm. Three percent of villages had more than 3.0 ppm fluoride in the water tested. Most (44.42%) of these villages belonged to Jolarpet taluk with moderate to high (0.86-3.56 ppm) water fluoride levels. Ion Chromatography method has been validated and is therefore a reliable method in assessment of fluoride levels in the drinking water. While the residents of Jolarpet taluk (Vellore distict) are found to be at a high risk of developing dental and skeletal fluorosis.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL BIOCHEMISTRY	PMID:29371775 PMC ID:5766461 SCOPUS
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	OBJECTIVES: To evaluate the influence of the main immunological				
	markers on the disease phenotype at diagnosis in a large				
	international cohort of patients with primary Sjogren's syndrome				
	(SjS). METHODS: The Big Data Sjogren Project Consortium is an international multipantra registry greated in 2014. As a first stan				
	international, multicentre registry created in 2014. As a first step,				
	baseline clinical information from leading centres on clinical research in SjS of the 5 continents was collected. The centres				
	shared a harmonised data architecture and conducted cooperative				
	online efforts in order to refine collected data under the coordination				
	of a big data statistical team. Inclusion criteria were the fulfillment				
	of the 2002 classification criteria. Immunological tests were carried				
	out using standard commercial assays. RESULTS: By January 2018,				
	the participant centres had included 10,500 valid patients from 22				
	countries. The cohort included 9,806 (93%) women and 694 (7%)				
	men, with a mean age at diagnosis of primary SjS of 53 years,				
	mainly White (78%) and included from European countries (71%).				
	The frequency of positive immunological markers at diagnosis was				
	79.3% for ANA, 73.2% for anti-Ro, 48.6% for RF, 45.1% for anti-				
	La, 13.4% for low C3 levels, 14.5% for low C4 levels and 7.3% for				
	cryoglobulins. Positive autoantibodies (ANA, Ro, La) correlated with				
	a positive result in salivary gland biopsy, while				
	hypocomplementaemia and especially cryoglo-bulinaemia				
	correlated with systemic activity (mean ESSDAI score of 17.7 for				
	cryoglobulins, 11.3 for low C3 and 9.2 for low C4, in comparison				
	with 3.8 for negative markers). The immunological markers with a				
	great number of statistically-significant associations (p<0.001) in				
	the organ-by-organ ESS- DAI evaluation were cryoglobulins (9				
	domains), low C3 (8 domains), anti-La (7 domains) and low C4 (6				
	domains). CONCLUSIONS: We confirm the strong influence of				
	immunological markers on the phenotype of primary SjS at				
	diagnosis in the largest multi-ethnic international cohort ever				
	analysed, with a greater influence for cryoglobulinaemic-related				
	markers in comparison with Ro/La autoantibodies and ANA.				
	Immunological patterns play a central role in the phenotypic				

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	expression of the disease already at the time of diagnosis, and may guide physicians to design a specific personalised management during the follow-up of patients with primary SjS.				
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	Maastricht University Medical Center, Maastricht, Netherlands. Roger Williams Cancer Center, Providence, RI. University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD. Penn State Health Hershey Medical Center, Hershey, PA. There are limited data on whether to adjust high-dose chemotherapy prior to autologous hematopoietic cell transplant (autoHCT) in obese patients. This study explores the effects of dose adjustment on the outcomes of obese patients, defined as body mass index (BMI) >/= 30 kg/m(2). Dose adjustment was defined as a reduction in standard dosing of >/= 20%, based on ideal, reported dosing and actual weights. We included two groups of US patients who had received autoHCT between 2008 and 2014. Specifically, we included patients with multiple myeloma (MM, n=1696) treated with high-dose melphalan; and we included patients with Hodgkin or non-Hodgkin lymphomas (n=781) who received carmustine, etoposide, cytarabine, and melphalan (BEAM) conditioning. Chemotherapy dose was adjusted in 1324 (78%) patients with MM and 608 (78%) patients with lymphoma. Age, sex, BMI, race, performance score, co-morbidity index, and disease features (stage at diagnosis, disease status and time to transplant) were similar between dose groups. In multivariate analyses for MM, adjusting for melphalan dose and for center effect had no impact on overall survival (p=0.894) and treatment-related mortality (TRM) (p=0.62), progression (p=0.12), and progression-free survival (p=0.178). In multivariate analyses for lymphoma, adjusting chemotherapy doses did not affect survival (p=0.176), TRM (p=0.802), relapse (p=0.633) or PFS (p=0.812). No center effect was observed in lymphoma. This study demonstrates that adjusting chemotherapy dose prior to autoHCT in obese patients with MM and lymphoma does not influence mortality. These results do not support adjusting chemotherapy dose in this population.				
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	Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Aims and Objectives: The aim of the study is to examine the				
	adequacy and accuracy of ultrasound-guided fine-needle aspiration				
	cytology (US-FNAC) in thyroid nodules >/=1 cm and to analyze the				
	clinical, sonological, and cytological features in predicting thyroid				
	malignancy. Materials and Methods: US-FNAC was done on 290				
	patients from December 2013 to December 2014 by the radiologist.				
	The Thyroid Imaging Reporting and Data System (TIRADS) was				
	used to record the sonological features. FNAC samples were				
	reported by a dedicated cytopathologist. Accuracy was calculated				
	by comparing US-FNAC, clinical features and ultrasound (US)				
	features for those who had final histopathology till April 2017.				
	Results: The adequacy of US-FNAC in this study was 80.2%.				
	Thyroidectomy was performed in 128/290 (44.1%). The sensitivity and specificity of US-FNAC in this study is 83.9 and 76.3%,				
	respectively, with a positive predictive value of 85.2%, negative				
	predictive value of 74.4%, and an accuracy of 81% in predicting				
	malignancy in thyroid nodules >/=1 cm. The malignancy rate in				
	benign FNAC sample was 25% (10/40), and was 69% (8/13) in				
	those with a follicular lesion of undetermined significance (FLUS).				
	Around 80% of benign and 89% of FLUS had follicular variant of				
	papillary carcinoma of thyroid (FVPTC). US-FNAC, a high TIRADS				
	score, and US features such as marked hypoechogenicity, taller				
	than wide, irregular margins, microcalcification, and clinical				
	features, such as hard in consistency and significant cervical lymph				
	nodes, were important in predicting malignancy (P < 0.001).				
	Conclusions: The accuracy of US-FNAC in this study is 81%. The US-FNAC, a high TIRADS score, a hard thyroid nodule, and				
	significant cervical lymph nodes are important in predicting				
	malignancy. The accuracy rate in benign and atypia undetermined				
	significance categories needs to improve in this study. Further				
	research to help in decreasing false negative rates of FVPTC will help				
	in increasing the accuracy of US-FNAC in the present study.				

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81.	Chandramohan, A., Therese, M., Abhraham, D., Paul, T. V. and Mazhuvanchary, P. Jacob Can ARFI elastography be used to differentiate parathyroid from thyroid lesions? Journal of Endocrinological Investigation; 2018, 41 (1): 111-119 Objectives To assess if elasticity score (ES) and shear wave velocity (SWV) measurement obtained using ARFI elastography can differentiate between parathyroid lesions and thyroid nodules. Materials and methods ARFI elastography was performed on	INT	JAN TO JUNE	GENERAL PATHOLOGY, ENDOCRNIOLOGY	WOS:000419489200012 SCOPUS

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	patients with primary hyperparathyroidism or solid thyroid nodules who were being considered for surgery using virtual touch quantification and virtual touch imaging (VTI) software. Only patients with surgical histopathology (47 parathyroid lesions, 38 benign thyroid nodules and 55 malignant thyroid nodules) were included for final analysis. SWV and ES of the parathyroid and thyroid nodules were compared and their ability to differentiate between parathyroid and thyroid was analyzed using receiver operating characteristic curve analysis. Results There were 39 solitary adenomas, 2 double adenomas and 4 parathyroid hyperplasias with mean size of 19.6 +/- 9.7 mm in 44 patients (21 male, 23 females) with primary hyperparathyroidism. The mean SWV of the parathyroid lesion (1.6 +/- 0.78 m/s) was significantly different from benign (2.11 +/- 0.8 m/s) and malignant (4.3 +/- 2.71 m/s) thyroid nodules, p < 0.05; so was the ES, Chi square = 51.6, p < 0.001. The majority of parathyroid lesions (n = 37, 78.7%) had ES of 2 with speckled (n = 42, 89.3%) appearance, and none showed ES of 4. The diagnostic performance of speckled appearance on VTI, elasticity score and SWV measurements was 0.901, 0.724 and 0.797, respectively, to differentiate between parathyroid and thyroid lesions. Conclusions Parathyroid lesions are softer than thyroid nodules. A shear wave velocity of 1.72 m/s can differentiate between parathyroid lesions and thyroid nodules.				
82.	Chandramouleeswaran, Susmita and Yalsangi, Mahantu Epidemiology of completed suicides in a remote tribal population in South India Indian Journal of Psychiatry; 2018, 60 (5): 164-164	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PSYCHIATRY	WOS:000424505100549
83.	Chandran, S., Kumar, M., Jacob, T. J. K. and Mohamed, F. Intestinal obstruction with a twist: a rare case of congenital portal vein aneurysm causing intestinal obstruction BMJ Case Rep; 2018, 2018 Address: Department of Neonatology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamilnadu, India. Department of Pediatric surgery, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamilnadu, India. Bilious vomiting is often a presenting feature of upper intestinal obstruction in newborn. We present a case of intestinal obstruction in a newborn baby caused by abnormal vascular band arising from portal vein aneurysm in association with a midgut volvulus. Congenital anomalies of portovenous system are very rare, and it usually presents with portal hypertension in late infancy or childhood. In this particular child, the portal vein aneurysm contributed to intestinal obstruction due to both a failure of intestinal rotation and a mechanical band over the transverse colon.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEONATOLOGY, PEDIATRIC SURGERY	PMID:30244223 SCOPUS

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84.	Charlu, A. P., Kumar, S. and Chacko, R. Qualitative evaluation of 'BIPP dressing' for intraoral mucosal defect Journal of Clinical and Diagnostic Research; 2018, 12 (4): ZC11-ZC14 Introduction: Various biologic and non biologic graft materials are considered in the past as Intraoral wound dressing material. While autografts have issues related to donor site morbidity, allografts like collagen have limited intraoral usage due to allergenicity and ease of adaptability to the mucosal defect. Bismuth sub-nitrate lodoform Paraffin Paste (BIPP) dressing is prepared by impregnating sterile gauze with a paste containing one part bismuth sub-nitrate, two parts iodoform, one part sterile liquid paraffin by weight. BIPP is well known for its antiseptic and astringent properties, henceforth serves as a good wound dressing material preventing infection and wound contractures. Its use in intraoral mucosal defects though widely acknowledged is rarely been evaluated. Aim: The aim of this study was to assess the qualitative properties of BIPPs as intraoral wound dressing material. Materials and Methods: A total of 10 patients with oral precancerous lesions of the oral lesions, BIPP pack was used to cover the defects that were too large to close primarily. Before use, sterile BIPP gauze was cut into a suitable shape of the defect and was placed directly on the wound and stabilised using vicryl sutures. The dressing was removed after two weeks of the operation. The effectiveness and usefulness of the BIPP dressing was evaluated by scoring the following parameters in the intraoperative and postoperative periods: operability, haemostatic status, pain relief, feeding situation, epithelialisation, scar contracture, and safety. Results: Out of the 10 patients, in six patients BIPP was used for the buccal mucosal defect, in two patients for labial mucosal defect and in one patient each for tongue and palatal defect. In all the patients the raw wound post resection were covered with BIPP pack and stabilised with vicryl sutures. Postoper	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	DENTAL AND ORAL SURGERY	SCOPUS
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86.	Chaudhary, Kapil, Panda, Arabind and Devasia, Antony Spontaneous irreducible urethral prolapse in a post-menopausal woman: a rare differential diagnosis of an intralabial mass International Urogynecology Journal; 2018, 29 (7): 1067-1068	INT	JAN TO JUNE	UROLOGY	SCOPUS WOS:000435584200020
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88.	Cherian, A. J., Chakravarthy, S., Muhammed, N., Chinadurai, S., Gowri, M., Paul, M. J. and Abraham, D. T. Thyroidectomy Audit: Effects of Specialised, High Volume Work on	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	MEDICINE, ENDOCRINE SURGERY	SCOPUS

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	Key Performance Indicators Indian Journal of Surgery; 2018, We conducted this audit to assess and improve the quality of care for patients undergoing thyroid surgery at our institution. The audit process began in 2012. Key performance indicators assessed were rates of hypocalcemia (immediate postoperative, temporary and permanent), recurrent laryngeal nerve (RLN) injury, chyle leak rate, re-exploration for chyle leak and post-thyroidectomy haemorrhage. Data of patients undergoing thyroidectomy from 1st January to 31st December 2011 was retrospectively collected from the electronic database. Performance indicators were assessed and compared to international standards. Actions to correct the short falls were implemented and retrospective re-audits were performed on prospectively collected data in subsequent years until 2015. The data was analysed using STATA IC/13.1. There has been a steady increase in the number of thyroidectomies performed/year from 357 in 2011 to 577 in 2015. The most common procedure performed was total thyroidectomy (70%) and histopathology revealed thyroid malignancy in the majority of patients. Over 5 years, a significant improvement in the rates of post-thyroidectomy immediate and temporary hypocalcemia was witnessed (p < 0.001) as well as a near significant fall in permanent hypocalcemia and RLN injury rate (p = 0.06). In 2014 and 2015, no patients were re-explored for a chyle leak. The rate of post-thyroidectomy haemorrhage (1.2–1.8%) has remained static over 5 years. This audit portrays specialisation in endocrine surgery and high volumes of patients treated have resulted in a significant improvement in outcomes for patients following thyroid surgery that meet international standards. © 2018, Association of Surgeons of India.				
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	Vellore, India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b 5Department of Nuclear Medicine, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b 6Department of Endocrinology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b We conducted this study to evaluate the demography, clinical presentation, management and outcomes of medullary thyroid carcinoma (MTC) from the Indian context. This was a retrospective study of patients with MTC managed between January 2008 and December 2016. All pertinent data was collected and the results were analysed using STATA (v.13.1). MTC accounted for 90/2022 (4.45%) patients managed with thyroid cancer during the study period. The mean age of presentation was 40 years (range 14-70 years) with 47 males and 43 females. The most common presentation included goitre with cervical lymphadenopathy seen in 60 patients (66.7%). There were 11 patients (12.2%) with systemic metastasis at presentation. Rearranged during transfection (RET) testing was performed in 71 patients and was positive in 25 (35.2%). The mutations among these patients were seen in the following codons: 634 (12), 804 (8), 790 (3) and 618 (2). Persistent hypercalcitoninemia (calcitonin > 50 pg/ml) was observed in 62/80 (77.5%) patients. Forty patients underwent a meta-iodo-benzyl-guanidine (MIBG) scan in the postoperative period, 10 were positive. The mean duration of follow-up was 32 months and 10 patients defaulted from follow-up. Sixteen patients developed metastasis during the period of follow-up while eight patients expired. The mean survival was 85.75 months (95% CI 78.7-92.7). MTC accounted for 4.5% of thyroid carcinomas in this cohort among which 35% were hereditary. Persistent hypercalcitoninemia following surgery is seen in more than 70% of patients but this does not affect survival. RET screening should be performed for all patients with MTC as curative surgery can be offered for mutation positive offspring.				
90.	Cherian, K. E., Kapoor, N., Asha, H. S., Thomas, N. and Paul, T. V. Influence of Different Reference Databases on Categorization of Bone Mineral Density: A Study on Rural Postmenopausal Women from Southern India Indian J Endocrinol Metab; 2018, 22 (5): 579-583 Address: Department of Endocrinology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background and Objectives: Currently available DXA (Dual energy X-ray Absorptiometry) scanners utilise bone mineral density (BMD) of Caucasian population to calculate T scores and categorise BMD. We studied the influence of various databases on classification of BMD in south-Indian postmenopausal women aged above 50 years. Methodology: This was a cross-sectional study. Hologic DXA	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	ENDOCRINOLOGY	PMID:30294563 PMC ID:6166560 SCOPUS

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	scanner was used to estimate BMD at lumbar spine (LS) and femoral neck (FN). T scores of =-2.5, -2.4 to -1, -0.9 to +1 were diagnostic of osteoporosis, osteopenia and normal respectively.</th <th>INT</th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th>	INT			
	Three reference databases(Italian, Korean and north Indian) were used to recalculate T scores. The agreement (K=kappa) between manufacturer provided database and the other databases was studied. The impact of different databases in diagnosing osteoporosis in subjects with FN fracture was assessed. Results: A total of 1956 postmenopausal women with mean (SD) age of 62 (4.3) years and 211 femoral neck(FN) fracture subjects with mean(SD) age of 68 (7.2) years were recruited. In subjects with fracture, osteoporosis at FN was found in 72% with Caucasian, 88% with North Indian, 56% with Italian, and 45% with Korean database. On comparing manufacturer provided database with the other population-specific reference, there was perfect agreement with north Indian (kappa = 0.81 [FN], kappa = 0.82 [LS]) and good agreement with the Italian database (kappa = 0.78 [FN], kappa = 0.74 [LS]). Conclusion: North-Indian database identified most of the participants with FN fracture as having osteoporosis and had perfect agreement with the manufacturer's database. Follow up studies will further validate the impact of utilizing this database in clinical practice.				
91.	Cherian, K. E., Kapoor, N., Shetty, S., Jebasingh, F. K., Asha, H. S., Hephzibah, J., Prabhu, A. J., Rajaratnam, S., Thomas, N. and Paul, T. V. Paget's Disease of Bone: An Entity Still Exists in India Indian J Endocrinol Metab; 2018, 22 (3): 368-372 Address: Department of Endocrinology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Nuclear Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Pathology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Paget's disease of bone (PDB) is uncommonly reported from India. We attempted to study the clinical and imaging features and management of participants who presented with PDB. Materials and Methods: In this retrospective study, clinical and imaging profile, biochemistry, and treatment outcomes of participants with PDB (n = 48) were obtained. Results: The mean age was 60 +/-11.3 years and 35% were women. Twenty percent were asymptomatic. Many (87%) had polyostotic involvement. Sixty percent (n = 29) underwent treatment with zoledronic acid and rest with oral bisphosphonates, and all achieved remission. Conclusion: Most of the pagetic participants had polyostotic disease and one-fifth were asymptomatic. All participants had disease remission following treatment.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	ENDOCRINOLOGY, NUCLEAR MEDICINE, PATHOLOGY	PMID:30090729 PMC ID:6063169 SCOPUS

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92.	Cherian, Kripa Elizabeth, Kapoor, Nitin, Shetty, Sahana, Naik, Dukhabandhu, Thomas, Nihal and Paul, Thomas V. Evaluation of Different Screening Tools for Predicting Femoral Neck Osteoporosis in Rural South Indian Postmenopausal Women Journal of Clinical Densitometry; 2018, 21 (1): 119-124 Author information: (1)Department of Endocrinology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. (2)Department of Endocrinology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Electronic Address: thomasvpaul@yahoo.com The measurement of bone mineral density by dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry scan is the "gold standard" for the diagnosis of osteoporosis, which has limited availability in many parts of India. This study was done to assess the diagnostic performance of 6 internationally validated tools (Simple Calculated Osteoporosis Risk Estimation [SCORE], age, bulk, one or never estrogen [ABONE], Osteoporosis Risk Assessment Instrument [ORAI] and Osteoporosis	INT	JAN TO JUNE	ENDOCRINOLOGY	PMID: 28958825 SCOPUS WOS:000422813900016
	Self-Assessment Tool for Asians [OSTA], Fracture Risk Assessment Tool [FRAX], and calcaneal quantitative ultrasound [QUS]) for the diagnosis of osteoporosis at the femoral neck (FN). This was a cross-sectional study conducted in 2108 ambulatory South Indian rural postmenopausal women who were assessed with SCORE, ABONE, ORAI, OSTA, and FRAX tools. QUS was performed in 850 subjects. Bone mineral density was estimated by dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry scan at the FN, and sensitivity and specificity were calculated for all tools for predicting FN osteoporosis. The receiver operating characteristic curve was constructed for each tool and the area under the curve (AUC) was calculated. FN osteoporosis was seen in 27%. The sensitivities of SCORE, ABONE, OSTA, ORAI, FRAX, and QUS were 91.3%, 91.0%, 88.5%, 81.0%, 72.7%, and 81.9%, and the specificities were 36.0%, 33.5%, 41.7%, 52.0%, 60.5%, and 50.3%, respectively, for the FN osteoporosis. When the receiver operating characteristics were constructed, the AUC was good only for SCORE (0.806), and the performance of the rest was under fair category (0.713-0.766). In our large cohort of rural postmenopausal women, the SCORE screening tool was found to be useful with good sensitivity and good AUC for predicting FN osteoporosis. Thus, this tool may be used in resource-limited countries to screen the population at risk and to enable treating physicians to make appropriate management decisions.				

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93.	Cheriyan, A., Mukherjee, P. and Devasia, A. Emphysematous pyelonephritis mimicking a groin swelling—A rare presentation African Journal of Urology; 2018, 24 (3): 233-235 Address: Department of Urology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India Introduction: Emphysematous pyelonephritis is a life threatening infection of the kidney and peri-renal tissues. We present an interesting and rare presentation of this condition which is the first such case to be reported in literature. Observation: A 52-year-old diabetic presented with a right groin swelling. On evaluation and imaging he had right emphysematous pyelonephritis with a peri-renal collection tracking down till the scrotum, mimicking a groin swelling. Management involved broad spectrum antibiotics and aggressive drainage and debridement. Conclusion: Emphysematous pyelonephritis is a rare but important differential diagnosis for a groin swelling where early diagnosis and aggressive management is necessary. © 2018 Pan African Urological Surgeons Association	INT	JAN TO JUNE	UROLOGY	SCOPUS
94.	Chichra, Abhinav, Chandramouleeswaran, Sushmita and Ramaswamy, Deepa Clinical outcomes in patients with drug resistant schizophrenia receiving antipsychotics other than clozapine Indian Journal of Psychiatry; 2018, 60 (5): 48-48	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PSYCHIATRY	WOS:000424505100127
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96.	Chougule, Amitkumar, Praharaj, Samir Kumar, Bhat, Shripathy M. and Sharma, P. S. V. N. Prevalence and Factors Associated With Clozapine-Related Constipation An Observational Study Journal of Clinical Psychopharmacology; 2018, 38 (1): 42-46 Background Despite being a very effective treatment for resistant schizophrenia and bipolar disorder, use of clozapine is limited by adverse effects. Constipation is a common but potentially life-threatening adverse effect of clozapine that is understudied. The objective was to study the prevalence and factors associated with constipation in those receiving clozapine compared with control subjects. Methods Fifty patients in age group of 18 to 55 years receiving clozapine were compared with 50 patients in the same age group receiving medications other than clozapine. Presence of constipation was ascertained using the World Gastroenterology Organization Practice Guidelines definition. The severity of constipation was assessed using Constipation Assessment Scale and Bristol Stool Form Scale, and anticholinergic burden was assessed using Anticholinergic Burden Scale. Results Among clozapine-treated patients, 28 (56%) had constipation as compared with 11 (22%) in the control subjects (P < 0.001); the odds of developing constipation was 4.5 (95% confidence interval, 1.9-10.8). Kaplan-Meier survival analysis showed median time to	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PHARMACOLOGY	WOS:000419640600008 SCOPUS

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	onset of constipation in clozapine-treated patients was 60 days (SE, 13.1 days; 95% confidence interval, 34.3-85.7 days) and median dose of clozapine was 300 mg/d (interquartile range, 312 mg/d). Clozapine group had high Constipation Assessment Scale scores (P = 0.005, Cohen d = 1.17) and higher prevalence of types 1 and 2 Bristol stool types (Fisher exact P = 0.005, Cramer V = 0.59). Conclusions Constipation was prevalent in more than half of patients receiving clozapine, which was severe and took longer time for recovery. Limitations include using a hospital-based sample and that dietary habits and lifestyle factors were not studied.				
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98.	Colston, J. M., Ahmed, A. M. S., Soofi, S. B., Svensen, E., Haque, R., Shrestha, J., Nshama, R., Bhutta, Z., Lima, I. F. N., Samie, A., Bodhidatta, L., Lima, A. A. M., Bessong, P., Paredes Olortegui, M., Turab, A., Mohan, V. R., Moulton, L. H., Naumova, E. N., Kang, G. and Kosek, M. N. Seasonality and within-subject clustering of rotavirus infections in an eight-site birth cohort study Epidemiol Infect; 2018, 146 (6): 688-697 Address: Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, Maryland, USA. Menzies School of Health Research, Casuarina, Australia. Department of Pediatrics and Child Health, Aga Khan University, Karachi, Pakistan. Department of Global Public Health and Primary Care, University of Bergen, Bergen, Norway. icddr, b, Centre for Nutrition and Food Security, Dhaka, Bangladesh. Walter Reed/AFRIMS Research Unit Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal. Haydom Global Health Institute, Haydom, Tanzania. University of Venda, Thohoyandou, Limpopo, South Africa. Armed Forces Research Institute of Medical Sciences (AFRIMS), Enteric Diseases, Bangkok, Thailand.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	WELLCOME RESEARCH UNIT, GASTROINTESTINAL SCIENCES	PMID:29534766 SCOPUS WOS:000430189500004

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	Asociacion Benefica Prisma, Unidad de Investigaciones Biomedicas, Iquitos, Peru. Interactive Research and Development, Maternal and Child Health Program, Karachi, Pakistan. Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Friedman School of Nutrition Science & Policy, Tufts University, Boston, Massachusetts, USA. Improving understanding of the pathogen-specific seasonality of enteric infections is critical to informing policy on the timing of preventive measures and to forecast trends in the burden of diarrhoeal disease. Data obtained from active surveillance of cohorts can capture the underlying infection status as transmission occurs in the community. The purpose of this study was to characterise rotavirus seasonality in eight different locations while adjusting for age, calendar time and within-subject clustering of episodes by applying an adapted Serfling model approach to data from a multi-site cohort study. In the Bangladesh and Peru sites, within-subject clustering was high, with more than half of infants who experienced one rotavirus infection going on to experience a second and more than 20% experiencing a third. In the five sites that are in countries that had not introduced the rotavirus vaccine, the model predicted a primary peak in prevalence during the dry season and, in three of these, a secondary peak during the rainy season. The patterns predicted by this approach are broadly congruent with several emerging hypotheses about rotavirus transmission and are consistent for both symptomatic and asymptomatic rotavirus episodes. These findings have practical implications for programme design, but caution should be exercised in deriving inferences about the underlying pathways driving these trends, particularly when extending the approach to other pathogens.				
99.	Colston, J. M., Ahmed, T., Mahopo, C., Kang, G., Kosek, M., De Sousa Junior, F., Shrestha, P. S., Svensen, E., Turab, A. and Zaitchik, B. Evaluating meteorological data from weather stations, and from satellites and global models for a multi-site epidemiological study Environ Res; 2018, 165 91-109 Address: Department of International Health, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, MD, USA. Electronic Address: josh.colston@jhu.edu. Nutrition & Clinical Services Division, International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR,B), Dhaka, Bangladesh. Electronic Address: tahmeed@icddrb.org. Department of Nutrition, University of Venda, South Africa. Electronic Address: tjale.mahopo@univen.ac.za. Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Electronic Address:	INT	JAN TO JUNE	WELLCOME RESEARCH UNIT, GASTROINTESTINAL SCIENCES	PMID:29684739 PMC ID:6024078 WOS:000437551200012

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	BACKGROUND: Longitudinal and time series analyses are needed to				
	characterize the associations between hydrometeorological				
	parameters and health outcomes. Earth Observation (EO) climate				
	data products derived from satellites and global model-based				
	reanalysis have the potential to be used as surrogates in situations				
	and locations where weather-station based observations are				
	inadequate or incomplete. However, these products often lack				
	direct evaluation at specific sites of epidemiological interest.				
	METHODS: Standard evaluation metrics of correlation, agreement,				
	bias and error were applied to a set of ten hydrometeorological				
	variables extracted from two quasi-global, commonly used climate				
	data products - the Global Land Data Assimilation System (GLDAS)				
	and Climate Hazards Group InfraRed Precipitation with Stations				
	(CHIRPS) - to evaluate their performance relative to				
	weather-station derived estimates at the specific geographic				
	locations of the eight sites in a multi-site cohort study. These				
	metrics were calculated for both daily estimates and 7-day averages				
	and for a rotavirus-peak-season subset. Then the variables from the				
	two sources were each used as predictors in longitudinal regression				
	models to test their association with rotavirus infection in the cohort				
	after adjusting for covariates. RESULTS: The availability and				
	completeness of station-based validation data varied depending on				
	the variable and study site. The performance of the two gridded				
	climate models varied considerably within the same location and for				
	the same variable across locations, according to different evaluation				
	criteria and for the peak-season compared to the full dataset in				
	ways that showed no obvious pattern. They also differed in the				
	statistical significance of their association with the rotavirus				
	outcome. For some variables, the station-based records showed a				
	strong association while the EO-derived estimates showed none,				

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	while for others, the opposite was true. CONCLUSION: Researchers wishing to utilize publicly available climate data - whether EO-derived or station based - are advised to recognize their specific limitations both in the analysis and the interpretation of the results. Epidemiologists engaged in prospective research into environmentally driven diseases should install their own weather monitoring stations at their study sites whenever possible, in order to circumvent the constraints of choosing between distant or incomplete station data or unverified EO estimates.				
100.	Cunha, Catia, Alexander, Suceena, Ashby, Damien, Lee, Janet, Chusney, Gary, Cairns, Tom D. and Lightstone, Liz Hydroxycloroquine blood concentration in lupus nephritis: a determinant of disease outcome? Nephrology Dialysis Transplantation: 2018, 33 (9): 1604-1610 Background. Hydroxychloroquine (HCQ) is a recommended drug in systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE). It has a long terminal half-life, making it an attractive target for therapeutic drug monitoring. The aim of this study was to establish a relationship between blood HCQ concentration and lupus nephritis activity. Methods. We conducted a retrospective observational study with data collected from clinical and laboratory records. Inclusion criteria were patients followed in the lupus clinic with biopsy-proven International Society of Nephrology/Renal Pathology Society Classes III, IV or V lupus nephritis on HCQ for at least 3 months (200-400 mg daily) and with HCQ levels measured during treatment. Exclusion criteria were patients on renal replacement therapy at baseline or patients lost to follow-up. Results. In 171 patients, the HCQ level was measured in 1282 samples. The mean HCQ blood level was 0.75 +/- 0.54mg/L and it was bimodally distributed. An HCQ level <0.20 mg/L [232 samples (18.1%)] appeared to define a distinct group of abnormally low HCQ levels. For patients in complete or partial remission at baseline compared with those remaining in remission, patients with renal flare during follow-up had a significantly lower average HCQ level (0.59 versus 0.81 mg/L; P= 0.005). Our data suggest an HCQ target level to reduce the likelihood of renal flares >0.6 mg/L (600 ng/mL) in those patients with lupus nephritis. Conclusion. HCQ level monitoring may offer a new approach to identify non-adherent patients and support them appropriately. We propose an HCQ minimum target level of at least 0.6 mg/L to reduce the renal flare rate, but this will require a prospective study for validation.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEPHROLOGY	WOS:000446862700016
101.	D'sa, S. R., Nair, S., Joe Philip, V., Reji, K. K., Karuppusamy, R. and Joseph, M. Study of the factors at admission predicting the outcome in patients with attempted suicidal hanging Tropical Doctor; 2018, 48 (1): 3-6	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CRITICAL CARE MEDICINE, NEUROINTENSIVE CARE, BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:28862515 SCOPUS

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102.	Dangi, A. D., Kumar, R. M., Kodiatte, T. A., Gowri, M., Kumar, S., Devasia, A. and Kekre, N. Is there a role for second transurethral resection in pTa high-grade urothelial bladder cancer? Cent European J Urol; 2018, 71 (3): 287-294 Address: Department of Urology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, India. Department of Pathology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, India. Department of Bio-Statistics, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, India. Introduction: Evidence for second transurethral resection of bladder tumour (TURBT) for pTa high-grade lesions is limited. This study aims to examine the role of a second TURBT in the pTa high-grade group and to generate recurrence and progression data for this group. Material and methods: We retrospectively studied the clinical profiles and outcomes of all patients diagnosed with high-grade pTa lesions at first TURBT, between the years 2006-2015. Firstly, in patients who underwent a complete first TURBT, we calculated the proportion of patients with positive findings on second TURBT. Secondly, we assessed whether those who underwent a second TURBT had a longer recurrence-free survival compared to those who underwent a single TURBT. Results: One hundred and twelve patients had a pTa high-grade urothelial bladder tumor (WHO 2004 classification) at first TURBT, out of whom 43 (38.3%) had a second TURBT. Indications for second TURBT were high-grade lesions (n = 36), absence of detrusor muscle (n = 2), and incomplete resection (n = 5). Out of the 36 patients who had a complete first TURBT and	INT	JAN TO JUNE	UROLOGY, PATHOLOGY, BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:30386649 PMC ID:6202620

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	underwent a second look TURBT, 7 patients had positive findings (3 carcinoma in situ, 2 pTa low-grade lesions and 2 pTa high-grade lesions) and there was no upstaging. Of the 5 patients with an incomplete first TURBT, one upstaged to pT1 on second TURBT. Of the 81 patients who followed up with us, 25.9% had a recurrence and 8.6% progressed. The estimated median recurrence free survival was 60 months (95% CI 29.2-90.7) for the whole group and 76 months vs. 45 months for the second and single TURBT group respectively - a difference that was clinically, though not statistically, significant. Multiple (>/=2) tumours had a lower recurrence free survival (HR of 4.60, CI 1.67-12.63, p = 0.003). Conclusions: Of the patients with pTa high-grade tumours who had a second TURBT after a complete first TURBT, 19.4% had a positive finding. Multiple tumours are four times as likely to recur as solitary tumours. The role of a second TURBT in this group needs to be studied in larger patient cohorts before a recommendation regarding its lack of clinical utility can be made conclusively.				
103.	Daniel Sathiya, S. S., Sharma, S. P., Babu, R. and Koshy, S. Tooth Ache to Leprosy! Importance of Revisiting Diagnosis J Maxillofac Oral Surg; 2018, 17 (4): 432-434 Address: 1Department of Dental and Oral Surgery, Christian Medical College, No. 24, Avvai Nagar 3rd Street, Thorapadi, Vellore, Tamil Nadu 632002 India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b 2Department of Pathology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b Atypical facial pain can be dreadful for the patient, and treating it can be an arduous task for the clinician, unless the diagnosis is constantly revisited. does not contain any studies with human participants or animals performed by any of the authors.No research was done on the patient but all procedures were done with informed consent of the patient.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	DENTAL AND ORAL SURGERY, PATHOLOGY	PMID:30344381 PMC ID:6181843
104.	Daniel, Dolly, Varughese, Santosh, Mittal, Siddharth, Aruldoss, Sam, David, Vinoi G., Alexander, Suceena, Mohapatra, Anjali and Jude, John ANTIENDOTHELIAL CELL AND ANTI AT1R ANTIBODIES IN TWO CLUSTERS OF RENAL TRANSPLANT RECIPIENTS WITH ACUTE ANTIBODY MEDIATED REJECTION A STUDY FROM A TERTIARY CENTRE IN INDIA HIa; 2018, 91 (5): 382-382	INT	JAN TO JUNE	TRANSFUSION MEDICINE & IMMUNOHAEMATOLOG Y	WOS:000430290800126
105.	Das, S., Dey, J. K., Sen, S. and Mukherjee, R. Efficacy and Safety of Patiromer in Hyperkalemia: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis Journal of Pharmacy Practice; 2018, 31 (1): 6-17	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PHARMACOLOGY, BIOSTATISTICS	SCOPUS

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	Author information: (1) Department of Pharmacology and Clinical Pharmacology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. (2) Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Patients at the highest risk of hyperkalemia are those with chronic kidney disease (CKD) stages 3 and 4. Objective: To evaluate the efficacy and safety of patiromer in hyperkalemia in patients with heart failure or CKD. Methods: The Cochrane Renal Group's Specialized Register was searched through contact with the Trials' Search Coordinator. We aimed at including randomized controlled trials with patiromer in patients with developed or risks of developing hyperkalemia, comparing against an active comparator or placebo. Three studies matched our inclusion and exclusion criteria, which we included in the meta-analysis. All-cause mortality, reduction in hospitalization, episodes of hypokalemia or hyperkalemia, and cardiovascular and gastrointestinal adverse events during the treatment period were our primary outcomes. Serial change in serum potassium (K+) until end of treatment or follow-up during the trial period and all other reported adverse reactions during the treatment period were our secondary outcomes. Meta-analysis (RevMan version 5.3.5) and descriptive statistics were used. Results: There was a non-significant improvement in all-cause mortality and serious cardiovascular events with patiromer than placebo. Hospitalization data were unavailable. Although serious gastrointestinal events with placebo. Patiromer lowered serum K+ more than placebo, and there were more patients developing hyperkalemia with placebo. High-dose patiromer was associated with better efficacy in some parameters but with more adverse events. Conclusion: Although patiromer seems promising, more trials with active comparator are essential to finalize its indication and use in hyperkalemia. © 2017, © The Author(s) 2017.				
106.	Das, Saibal and Barnwal, Preeti The need to train uncertified rural practitioners in India Journal of International Medical Research; 2018, 46 (1): 522-525 Author information: (1) Department of Pharmacology and Clinical Pharmacology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. (2) Department of Medical Elementology and Toxicology, School of Chemical and Life Sciences, Jamia Hamdard (Hamdard University), New Delhi, India.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PHARMACOLOGY	WOS:000419863700054 SCOPUS

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	Uncertified rural practitioners (URPs) without formal medical qualification occupy an indispensable yet dangerous position in the rural health care system in India. The low cost, close proximity, and higher health hazards in rural areas along with the inability of established health-care setups to fulfill existing demands have favored the flourishing trade of URPs. Irrational and dangerous drug prescriptions, unauthorized interventions, improper waste disposal, and several cases of malpractice by URPs are serious threats to the exposed population. However, because of the practical compulsion and real-world necessity of their existence, URPs should be scientifically trained and sensitized to regulate, qualify, and integrate them as a part of the existing health care system in India.				
107.	Dasgupta, R., Venkatesan, P., Goyal, A., Wickramanayake, A., Chaithanya Murthy, K., Inbakumari, M., Hawkins, M. and Thomas, N. The lack of validity of predictive equations for calculating resting energy expenditure in asian indian patients with type 1 and type 2 diabetes mellitus Indian Journal of Physiology and Pharmacology; 2018, 62 (3): 314-319 Address: Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India Division of Endocrinology, Department of Medicine, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, NY, United States Introduction: Predictive equations are used routinely to calculate resting energy expenditure and administer appropriate nutrition to patients. Validity of routinely used equations for calculating resting energy expenditure was not verified in Asian Indian population. In this study we aim to compare the predictive equations with indirectly calorimetry to test their validity in Indian population. Methods: The study included 45 male Indian subjects divided into following groups: 16 patients with Type 1 diabetes mellitus, 13 patients with Type 2 Diabetes mellitus and 16 normoglycemic subjects. All underwent anthropometric measurements, body composition measurement by DEXA scan and indirect calorimetry. REE calculated from routinely used equations and a body composition based equation was compared with REE measured by indirect calorimetry by means of Bland-Altman plot analysis. Total and mean error was also calculated for the predictive equations. Statistical analysis was done in R programming language version 3.2.4. Results: Total error of different predictive equations when compared with indirect calorimetry ranged from 375 kcal/day to 726 kcal/day across the studied groups. Bland-Altman plot analysis showed negative proportional bias i.e. equations overestimate at lower values and underestimate at higher values of measured REE. Conclusion: Routinely used predictive equations and recently	INT	JAN TO JUNE	ENDOCRNIOLOGY	SCOPUS

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	introduced body composition based equation were all poor in accuracy as reflected from their high total error for estimating resting energy expenditure in Indian population when compared with indirect calorimetry. We conclude that a predictive equation for estimating resting energy expenditure must be established for use in Indian population. © 2018, Association of Physiologists and Pharmacologists of India. All rights reserved.				
108.	David, S. and Mathews, V. Mechanisms and management of coagulopathy in acute promyelocytic leukemia Thromb Res; 2018, 164 Suppl 1 S82-S88 Address: Department of Haematology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Haematology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Electronic Address: vikram@cmcvellore.ac.in. Acute promyelocytic leukemia (APL) is a subtype of leukemia which is associated with unique and distinctive coagulopathy. In the absence of treatment it is rapidly fatal and even after initiation of therapy the major cause of early mortality is related to hemorrhagic complications. The coagulopathy can be exacerbated with the start of treatment. In the absence of early hemorrhage related deaths the probability of cure exceeds 90% in low and intermediate risk patients and 80% even in high risk patients, highlighting the importance of understanding the pathophysiology of this complication and instituting prompt and appropriate management strategies. The coagulopathy in APL is complex and results from a combination of thrombocytopenia, disseminated intravascular coagulation and hyperfibronlysis. Recently the effect of all-trans retinioc acid (ATRA) induced ETosis on exacerbating coagulopathy in the first few days after starting therapy with this agent raises the potential for potentially novel strategies to reduce the risk of hemorrhage. Currently management is mainly related to rapid initiation of therapy with ATRA along with appropriate and adequate replacement of blood products to correct the coagulopathy. There is limited role for the use of low dose anti-coagulants and anti-fibrinolytic agents in the initial management of this disease. There is limited data on the use of rFVIIa or the use of global tests of hemostasis in the management of this condition.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	HAEMATOLOGY	PMID:29703489 WOS:000432889200015
109.	David, S., Nair, S. C., Singh, G. S., Alex, A. A., Ganesan, S., Palani, H. K., Balasundaram, N., Lakshmi, K. M., Joshi, A., Kannan, S., Korula, A., Nambiatheyil Aboobacker, F., Abraham, A., George, B., Apte, S. J., Srivastava, A. and Mathews, V. Prevalence of FVIII inhibitors in severe haemophilia A patients: Effect of treatment and genetic factors in an Indian population Haemophilia; 2018,	INT	JAN TO JUNE	HAEMATOLOGY, TRANSFUSION MEDICINE AND IMMUNOHAEMATOLOG Y	PMID:30427567

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	Address: Department of Haematology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Immunohaematology and Transfusion Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Sahyadri Speciality Hospital, Pune, India. INTRODUCTION: Factor replacement therapy in treatment of haemophilia A is complicated by the production of neutralising antibodies known as inhibitors. The formation of inhibitors is multifactorial being associated with both genetic and environmental factors. AIM: To document the prevalence of inhibitors in severe haemophilia in the community where most patients receive only infrequent episodic replacement therapy and evaluate the factors which could be contributing to it. METHODS: Community based camps were conducted in different parts of the country. Patients were assessed through a structured questionnaire and blood samples were obtained for laboratory evaluation of inhibitors and defined immunological parameters. RESULTS: Inhibitors were present in 87/447 (19.5%) of the evaluated patients. High-titre inhibitor (>5 Bethesda Units [BU]) was identified in 31 (35.6%) patients. HLA DRB1-13-positive cases (RR = 2.04; 95% CI 1.06-3.911; P = 0.033) had an increased risk of inhibitor formation which was retained in the high-titre subset. A decreased risk of inhibitor formation was noted with heterozygous IL4-590 C/T allele (RR = 0.22; 95% CI 0.108-0.442: P = 0.000). There were no significant correlations between any of the evaluated environmental factors and the development of inhibitors in this study. CONCLUSION: The overall prevalence of inhibitors in patients with severe haemophilia A is similar to that reported among patients receiving regular replacement therapy. The data from this study, limited by its retrospective and cross-sectional study design, would suggest that genetic rather than environmental are more likely to impact the development of inhibitors.	,			
110.	D'cunha, A., Ravi Kishore, B. S. S. and Varghese, I. T. A Rare Case of a Common Hepatic Duct Stricture Secondary to an Anteriorly Crossing Right Hepatic Artery in an Infant J Indian Assoc Pediatr Surg; 2018, 23 (3): 161-163 Address: Department of Pediatric Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. A 1-year-old male child presented with progressive jaundice. Investigations were suggestive of an obstructive pathology with a suspected choledochal cyst on imaging. Intraoperative cholangiogram demonstrated runoff of contrast from the cystic duct into the common bile duct with no opacification of the biliary system proximal to this. Intraoperatively, the right hepatic artery was found anteriorly crossing the common hepatic duct (CHD) causing extrinsic compression leading to complete obstruction. Following	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PAEDIATRIC SURGERY	PMID:30050268 PMC ID:6042160 SCOPUS

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	stricture excision and anastomosis of the dilated bulbous CHD to a Roux-en-Y jejunal loop, the child recovered completely. An anteriorly crossing right hepatic artery causing obstruction to the biliary duct is a rare occurrence, more so in infancy. An excision with a hepaticojejunostomy is straight forward and curative.				
111.	De Oliveira, R. S., Viana, D. C., Colli, B. O., Rajshekhar, V. and Salomao, J. F. M. Pediatric neurocysticercosis Childs Nervous System; 2018, 34 (10): 1957-1965 Address: Division of Neurosurgery and Pediatric Neurosurgery, Department of Surgery and Anatomy, University Hospital of Ribeirao Preto Medical School, University of Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo, Brazil. Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, India. Division of Pediatric Neurosurgery, National Institute of Women, Children and Adolescents Health Fernandes Figueira - Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (IFF - Fiocruz), Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil. jfsalomao@terra.com.br. BACKGROUND: Neurocysticercosis (NCC) is an infestation of the nervous system caused by encysted larvae of Taenia solium. NCC is an important acquired cause of epilepsy and other neurological manifestations especially in endemic areas. NCC in children has pleomorphic manifestations depending on the location, number, viability of the cysts, and host response. Even with advancing knowledge of the disease manifestations, many aspects related to diagnosis and treatment, particularly in children, still remain controversial and pose challenges to clinical practice. There is no gold standard test to diagnose NCC and the management recommendations are still emerging. This review provides an overview of diagnosis of NCC in children and its management with special focus on current challenges and future prospects. DISCUSSION: In developing countries, NCC is important not only because of its frequency but also because of high morbidity and mortality rates associated, especially in cases in which it progresses to increased intracranial pressure. Because of its pleomorphic presentation, NCC should be considered in the differential diagnosis of a number of neurological conditions. Treatment with cysticidal therapy leads to reduction in seizure frequency and a faster resolution of lesions. CONCLUSIONS: We have summarized the current approaches to diagnosis and treatment of NCC, recen	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROSURGERY	PMID:29987374 WOS:000442692100019 SCOPUS

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112.	Devanga Ragupathi, N. K. and Veeraraghavan, B. Data on whole genome shotgun sequencing report of clinical S. maltophilia strains from India Data Brief; 2018, 21 263-268 Address: Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamilnadu, India. Stenotrophomonas maltophilia is an important emerging nosocomial pathogen with broad level multi-drug resistance. There is a lack of genomic information on S. maltophilia to understand the antimicrobial resistance (AMR) mechanism behind. The data article reports on whole genome sequence information of 9 clinical S. maltophilia strains isolated from a tertiary care hospital in India. Isolates were sequenced using Ion Torrent PGM platform. Raw reads were assembled and annotated, where the genome size ranged from ~3.2 to ~4.5Mb with average 57.6x coverage. AMR genes blaL1, blaL2, Smqnr, aac(6)-Iz and aph(3)-Ilc were observed among the isolates in addition to multiple virulence factors. Five isolates were identified to be ST15, ST283, ST284, ST285 and ST286.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINCAL MICROBIOLOGY	PMI D:30364539 PMC I D:6197317 SCOPUS
113.	Devasia, A. J., Mammen, S., Korula, A., Abraham, A., Fouzia, N. A., Lakshmi, K. M., Abraham, A. M., Srivastava, A., Mathews, V. and George, B. A Low Incidence of Cytomegalo Virus Infection Following Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation Despite a High Seroprevalence Indian J Hematol Blood Transfus; 2018, 34 (4): 636-642 Address: 1Department of Clinical Hematology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b 2Department of Clinical Virology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b Cytomegalovirus (CMV) infection remains an important cause of morbidity and mortality following allogeneic stem cell transplantation (SCT). We wanted to study if the high sero-prevalence seen in our population translated into a high incidence of CMV infection following SCT. This is a retrospective analysis of patients who underwent allogeneic SCT between January 2008 and December 2012 at our centre. 475 patients underwent allogeneic SCT for malignant (46.5%) and non-malignant (53.5%) haematological disorders. 463 (97.4%) SCT recipients and 403 (84.8%) SCT donors were IgG seropositive for CMV. CMV reactivation within 100 days post SCT was seen in 174 (36.6%) at a median of 41 days (range 10-100) post SCT. Ganciclovir was used in 166 patients (95.4%) for a mean duration of 16 days (range 5-32). 157 patients (90%) responded to therapy. Sixty-six patients (42.3%) had secondary reactivation of the virus. Use of a male donor (p = 0.000), donor and recipient age > 15 (p = 0.005 and	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	HAEMATOLOGY	PMI D:30369733 PMC I D:6186215 SCOPUS

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	0.000), unrelated donor (p = 0.000), degree of HLA mismatch (p = 0.000), occurrence of acute GVHD (p = 0.000) and steroid refractory acute GVHD (p = 0.026) were identified as risk factors for CMV reactivation while early neutrophil recovery (< 15 days) was found to be protective (p = 0.004). On multivariate analysis, male donor (p = 0.042), degree of HLA mismatch (p = 0.006), the occurrence of acute GVHD (p = 0.000) and steroid refractory acute GVHD (p = 0.031) continued to remain significant. 5-year overall survival was significantly better in patients without CMV reactivation compared to those who developed reactivation of CMV (68.9 +/- 3.7 vs 58.2 +/- 4.9% p = 0.004). The incidence of CMV infection does not seem to be higher despite a high sero-prevalence of CMV. However, patients who developed CMV infection post SCT had inferior outcomes.				
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117	samples collected at Navi Mumbai, India was sequenced and annotated. Sequencing was performed on Ion Torrent PGM platform. The size of annotated S. pyogenes genomes ranged from ~1.69 to ~1.85Mb with coverage of 38x to 189x. Most of the isolates had msr(D) and mef(A), and four isolates had erm(B) gene for macrolide resistance. The genome harboured multiple virulence factors including exotoxins in addition to phage elements in all GAS genomes. Four isolates belonged to sequence type ST28, 7 were identified as ST36 and 1 as ST55.		IAN TO HINE	COMMUNITY	PMID: 20234060
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	Optimal haemophilia care is best established and implemented through a well-coordinated plan guided by clearly defined principles				
	and priorities. A document which enunciates those details is				
	therefore important. A successful example of this approach is the				
	definition of principles of haemophilia care (PHC) outlined by the				
	European Association for Haemophilia and Associated Disorders				
	(EAHAD) and also the World Federation of Hemophilia. A similar				
	document applicable to the Asia-Pacific region must take into				
	account not only the highly varied healthcare systems but also the				
	tremendous socio-economic and cultural diversities which impact				
	provision of such care. The Asia-Pacific Haemophilia Working Group				
	(APHWG), representing the countries in this region, has prepared				
	this perspective of the PHC. While endorsing the overall framework				
	outlined by EAHAD, this APHWG document emphasizes regional				
	priorities on education and training of healthcare personnel in the				
	diagnosis and management of hereditary bleeding disorders.				
	Central coordinating agencies with wide stakeholder input,				
	networks of haemophilia treatment centres and national registries				
	as well as robust processes for procurement and distribution of safe				
	and effective clotting factor concentrates (CFCs), implementation of				
	prophylaxis programmes and management of patients with				
	inhibitors should also be developed. The implementation of these				
	strategies should lead to establishment of good comprehensive care				
	programmes. This document should also be an advocacy tool to				

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	lobby for improved care for people with haemophilia (PWH) in the region. We urge national healthcare policy makers to consider these principles and initiate strong and decisive action to reach these goals.				
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128.	Ebenezer, Emily D., Benjamin, Santosh J., Sahni, Rani D., Prakash, John A. J., Chelliah, Hepsy and Mathews, Jiji E. A retrospective study of the prevalence and outcomes of syphilis in pregnancy in a 5-year period International Journal of Gynecology & Obstetrics; 2018, 140 (1): 42-46 ObjectiveTo determine the prevalence of syphilis in pregnancy and to assess the effect of syphilis on maternal and perinatal outcomes. MethodsIn a retrospective study, data were reviewed for pregnant women who tested positive for syphilis during routine prenatal screening at a center in India between January 2011 and December 2015. Women with both a positive venereal disease research laboratory (VDRL) test and a positive Treponema pallidum hemagglutination assay (TPHA) were considered to have syphilis, and their maternal and fetal outcomes were assessed. ResultsAmong 51164 pregnant women who underwent VDRL testing during the study period, 343 women were VDRL-positive (seropositivity rate 0.7%) and 18 were both VDRL- and TPHA-positive and were considered to have syphilis (seropositivity rate <0.1%). Among these 18 women, there were two stillbirths, four preterm births, and five small-for-gestational-age neonates. ConclusionAlthough the prevalence of syphilis was low in the study population, women who were affected had adverse perinatal outcomes. Routine screening of all pregnant women for syphilis as early as possible in pregnancy, with appropriate treatment and follow-up of affected women and newborns, should be done to reduce adverse pregnancy outcomes. The prevalence of syphilis in pregnancy was low; however, there was a high proportion of adverse fetal effects among women who were affected.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	OBSTETRICS GYNAECOLOGY	SCOPUS WOS:000417171700008
129.	Elangovan, P., Ramakrishnan, R., Amudha, K., Jalaludeen, A. M., Sagaran, G. K., Babu, F. R. and Pari, L. Beneficial Protective Effect of Troxerutin on Nickel-Induced Renal Dysfunction in Wistar Rats	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEPHROLOGY	PMID:29772996 SCOPUS WOS:000432268200001

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130.	Elayaperumal, S., Fouzia, N. A., Biswas, A., Nair, S. C., Viswabandya, A., George, B., Abraham, A., Oldenburg, J., Edison, E. S. and Srivastava, A. Type-3 von Willebrand disease in India-Clinical spectrum and molecular profile Haemophilia; 2018, Address: Department of Hematology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Institute of Experimental Hematology and Transfusion Medicine, University Clinic Bonn, Bonn, Germany. Department of Immunohaematology & Transfusion Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	HAEMATOLOGY, IMMUNOHAEMATOLOG Y & TRANSFUSION MEDICINE	PMID:29984440 SCOPUS

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	Princess Margaret Cancer Center, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. INTRODUCTION: Type 3 von Willebrand disease (VWD) is the rare and most severe form of VWD which results from a near-complete deficiency of the von Willebrand factor (VWF). This study evaluates in detail the molecular pathology of type-3 VWD in India. One hundred and two patients from 90 families were evaluated. PATIENTS AND METHODS: Phenotypic data, including bleeding scores (BS), were documented using structured questionnaires. Diagnosis of type 3 VWD was based on undetectable VWF antigen levels in the plasma. Genomic DNA from these patients was screened for mutations in VWF gene. Structural modeling and expression studies were carried out for missense mutations. RESULTS: Out of 102 patients, mutations could be identified in 91% (n = 93). Fifty-five different gene variants were identified. Thirty-four (61.8%) were novel. Mutations could be identified in both the alleles in 90 patients, while no causative mutation could be identified in 9 patients; twenty-four (23.5%) patients had mutations clustered in the propeptide region of VWF. Interestingly, five mutations accounted for the defects in 37/93 (39.8%) patients. Structural analysis and in vitro studies on missense mutations imply impaired processes associated with secretion of VWF. CONCLUSION: This study is one of the largest series to define the molecular basis of type-3 VWD.				
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	Department of Biostatistics, School of Public Health, Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan. Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi. Importance: The increasing burden due to cancer and other noncommunicable diseases poses a threat to human development, which has resulted in global political commitments reflected in the Sustainable Development Goals as well as the World Health Organization (WHO) Global Action Plan on Non-Communicable Diseases. To determine if these commitments have resulted in improved cancer control, quantitative assessments of the cancer burden are required. Objective: To assess the burden for 29 cancer groups over time to provide a framework for policy discussion, resource allocation, and research focus. Evidence Review: Cancer incidence, mortality, years lived with disability, years of life lost, and disability-adjusted life-years (DALYs) were evaluated for 195 countries and territories by age and sex using the Global Burden of Disease study estimation methods. Levels and trends were analyzed over time, as well as by the Sociodemographic Index (SDI). Changes in incident cases were categorized by changes due to epidemiological vs demographic transition. Findings: In 2016, there were 17.2 million cancer cases worldwide and 8.9 million deaths. Cancer cases increased by 28% between 2006 and 2016. The smallest increase was seen in high SDI countries. Globally, population aging contributed 17%; population growth, 12%; and changes in age-specific rates, -1% to this change. The most common incident cancer globally for men was prostate cancer (1.4 million DALYs). For women, the most common incident cancer and the leading cause of cancer deaths and DALYs was tracheal, bronchus, and lung cancer (1.2 million DALYs) was breast cancer (1.7 million incident cases, 535000 deaths, and 14.9 million DALYs). In 2016, cancer caused 213.2 million DALYs globally for both sexes combined. Between 2006 and 2016, the average annual age-standardized incidence rates for all cancers combined increased in 130 of 195 co				
133.	Fletcher, Gnanadurai John, Raghavendran, Anantharam, Sivakumar, Jayashree, Samuel, Prasanna and Abraham, Priya Diagnostic reliability of Architect anti-HCV assay: Experience of a tertiary care hospital in India	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL VIROLOGY, BIOSTATISTICS	PMID: 28657153 SCOPUS WOS:000425109100021

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	J Clin Lab Anal. 2018 Feb;32(2). doi: 10.1002/jcla.22245. Epub 2017 Jun 28. Author information: (1)Department of Clinical Virology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. (2)Department of Bio-statistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Background & AimsAnti-HCV assays are prone to false positive results. Thus, accurate detection of HCV infection is critical for the timely therapeutic management. This study ascertained the reliability of Architect anti-HCV assay (Abbott) and to estimate the agreement of this assay with Ortho HCV 3.0 ELISA Test System with Enhanced SAVe (Ortho), HCV Tri-dot (Tri-dot) and HCV-PCR in a tertiary care setting. MethodsA total of 78788 consecutive sera were routinely screened for anti-HCV antibodies using Architect. All repeatedly reactive anti-HCV sera (n=1000) and anti-HCV negatile sera (n=300) were tested in Ortho and in Tri-dot assays. Representative proportions of sera (n=500) with various signal-to-cut-off (S/Co) ratio were also compared with HCV-PCR. ResultsWhen Architect was compared with Ortho, Tri-dot, and HCV-PCR, the level of agreement as assessed by kappa were .26, .16, and .27 respectively. Using Latent class analysis (LCA), we found that sensitivity and specificity were 100% and 36.1% for Architect, 93.8% and 100% for Ortho and 63.8% and 100% for Tri-dot respectively. The median S/CO ratio of Architect and Ortho anti-HCV assays were significantly different between HCV-PCR positive and negative results (P<.0001). Furthermore, Architect S/CO ratio of >8 showed higher accuracy indices in both anti-HCV assays. ConclusionsArchitect can be used as a screening assay because of its high sensitivity, high throughput, and short turnaround time. However, S/Co ratios of 1 to <8 in Architect necessitates HCV PCR to identify current infection and or EIA to distinguish true positivity from false biological positivity.				
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135.	Fouzia, N. A., Edison, E. S., Lakshmi, K. M., Korula, A., Velayudhan, S. R., Balasubramanian, P., Abraham, A., Viswabandya, A., George, B., Mathews, V. and Srivastava, A. Long-term outcome of mixed chimerism after stem cell transplantation for thalassemia major conditioned with busulfan	INT	JAN TO JUNE	HAEMATOLOGY	SCOPUS WOS:000424358300009

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	and cyclophosphamide Bone Marrow Transplantation; 2018, 53 (2): 169-174 Mixed chimerism (MC) occurs frequently after allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT) for thalassemia major (TM) and may be associated with rejection. We report the outcome of MC in 132 TM patients conditioned with Busulphan/Cyclophosphamide, who had successful engraftment and had >= 1 year follow-up. Chimerism was first assessed at day +28, then every 3-9 months or more frequently if there was MC. If rejection was suspected, immunosuppression was stopped and donor-lymphocyte infusion (DLI) was given if there was no response. Among 132 patients, aged 7 years (range: 2-24), 46/132 (34.8%) had MC in the first year, 32/46 (69.6%) at day +28 and another 14 (30%) between day +28 and 1 year post HSCT. MC was quantified at level 1 (residual host chimerism (RHC) < 10%) in 20 (43.5%), level II (RHC 10-25%) in 14 (30.4%) and level III (RHC > 25%) in 12 (26.1%). On tapering immunosuppression, 15 (32.6%) developed acute GvHD and 8 (17.4%) had chronic GvHD with reversal to complete chimerism (CC). DLI was administered to 5/46 (10.9%), 1 evolved to CC but 4 rejected the graft. At median follow-up of 60 months (range: 16-172), 20/46 (43.5%) had CC, 18/46 (39.1%) had persistent MC with hemoglobin of 11.5 g/dL (range: 8.4-13.6), whereas 8 (17.4%) rejected the graft. Close monitoring and early intervention is needed with increasing recipient chimerism. Novel strategies are required for preventing graft rejection.				
136.	Francis, Deepak Vinod and Rabi, Suganthy Deplastination: Making plastinates histo-pathologically relevant Journal of the Anatomical Society of India; 2018, 67 (1): 77-79 Introduction: Deplastination is a process that reverses plastination. While the process is in its infancy, this study was designed to see if deplastinated tissues can be used for histopathological studies. Methods: In this study, a slice of liver tissue was split into two parts. The first half was processed, sectioned and stained with routine H&E staining while the other half was plastinated with S10 plastination technique and was deplastinated after 3 months using sodium methoxide as the deplastinating agent. It was latter stained with routine H&E. The slides were assessed qualitatively on parameters like tissue and cell identification, staining property, preservation of tissue architecture, visualisation of intracellular structures like nuclei, nucleoli, fat goblets etc. and presence of artefacts due to the process. Results: Identification of tissue was possible on the deplastinated slides. Intracellular structures like nuclei, nucleoli, fat droplets were identified in the deplastinated slides. Discussion: In this study, we have found that sodium methoxide and methanol form good deplastinating agents for small sections of tissue.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	ANATOMY	SCOPUS WOS:000433987700013

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	Identification of endpoint of deplastination forms a crucial step in the process. (C) 2017 Anatomical Society of India. Published by Elsevier, a division of RELX India, Pvt. Ltd. All rights reserved.	1 1141			<u> </u>
137.	Furlan, Andrea D., Irvin, Emma, Munhall, Claire, Giraldo-Prieto, Mario, Fullerton, Laura, Mcmaster, Robert, Danak, Shivang, Costante, Alicia, Pitzul, Kristen B., Bhide, Rohit P., Marchenko, Stanislav, Mahood, Quenby, David, Judy A., Flannery, John F. and Bayley, Mark REHABILITATION SERVICE MODELS FOR PEOPLE WITH PHYSICAL AND/OR MENTAL DISABILITY LIVING IN LOW- AND MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES: A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW Journal of Rehabilitation Medicine; 2018, 50 (6): 487-498 Objective: To compare models of rehabilitation services for people with mental and/or physical disability in order to determine optimal models for therapy and interventions in low-to middle-income countries. Data sources: CINAHL, EMBASE, MEDLINE, CENTRAL, PsycINFO, Business Source Premier, HINARI, CEBHA and PubMed. Study selection: Systematic reviews, randomized control trials and observational studies comparing > 2 models of rehabilitation care in any language. Date extraction: Standardized forms were used. Methodological quality was assessed using AMSTAR and quality of evidence was assessed using GRADE. Data synthesis: Twenty-four systematic reviews which included 578 studies and 202,307 participants were selected. In addition, four primary studies were included to complement the gaps in the systematic reviews. The studies were all done at various countries. Moderate-to high-quality evidence supports the following models of rehabilitation services: psychological intervention in primary care settings for people with major depression, admission into an inpatient, multidisciplinary, specialized rehabilitation unit for those with recent onset of a severe disabling condition; outpatient rehabilitation with multidisciplinary care in the community, hospital or home is recommended for less severe conditions; However, a model of rehabilitation service that includes early discharge is not recommended for elderly patients with severe stroke, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, hip fracture and total joints. Conclusion: Models of rehabilitation units are re	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PHYSICAL REHABILITATION MEDICINE	WOS:000437194300002
138.	Ganapati, A., Pulukool, S., Gowri, M., Antonisamy, B. and Danda, D. TREATMENT OUTCOME WITH COMBINED METHOTREXATE, SULFASALAZINE AND ON-DEMAND NSAIDS IN AXIAL SPONDYLOARTHRITIS IN A RESOURCE-LIMITED REAL WORLD	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY AND RHEUMATOLOGY, BIOSTATISTICS	WOS:000440741300121

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139.	Gandham, E. J., Tyagi, A. and Prabhu, K. An Unusual Cause of Cervical Radicular Pain-Foreign Body in Esophagus Iran J Otorhinolaryngol; 2018, 30 (99): 237-239 Address: Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Otolaryngology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Introduction: Foreign bodies in the esophagus are considered to be a life-threatening condition in adults and children because of esophageal perforation, chemical pneumonitis, airway obstruction, and development of a fistula, leading to high morbidity and mortality with this condition. Most cases present with immediate symptoms. However, in rare cases, the foreign body can migrate within the tissues and become symptomatic at a later date. Case Report: We report a rare case of a foreign body in the esophagus following fishmeal ingestion. The foreign body had traversed the lumen of the esophagus and migrated into the neural foramina with impingement of the left C6 root with resulting left C6 radicular pain. Radiology and successful surgical management is discussed herein, along with relevant literature. Conclusion: Radiculopathy after foreign body ingestion is very rare. In patients presenting with persistent radicular pain, in particular in close proximity to the neurovascular structures, we advise early surgery to prevent a neurological deficit.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROSURGERY, OTOLARYNGOLOGY	PMI D:30083531 PMC I D:6064759 SCOPUS
140.	Ganesan, P., Jegaraj, M. K. A., Kumar, S., Yadav, B., Selva, B. and Tharmaraj, R. G. A. Profile and Outcome of Near-hanging Patients Presenting to Emergency Department in a Tertiary Care Hospital in South India - A Retrospective Descriptive Study Indian J Psychol Med; 2018, 40 (3): 205-209 Address: Department of Emergency Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Hanging is one of the common modes of deliberate self-harm presenting to emergency departments (EDs) across the world. Early intervention and aggressive resuscitation can decrease the morbidity and mortality associated with near-hanging. Our aim was to study the profile of patients presenting with near-hanging and their outcome to our adult ED. Materials and Methods: Medical records of patients with age more than 15 years presenting with near-hanging to the ED was reviewed retrospectively. The following profile data such as age, gender, marital status, material used for hanging, and type of hanging were collected. The information	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PSYCHIATRY	PMI D:29875525 PMC I D:5968639 SCOPUS

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	regarding the outcome of the patients from the hospital also analyzed. The data were analyzed to express the mean (+/-standard deviation) for the quantitative variables and frequency for the qualitative variables (+/-percent) using SPSS statistical software. Results: The analysis of 2 years data from August 2014 to July 2016 revealed 77 patients reached the ED with near-Hanging. The mean age of the patients - 31.1 years. Approximately, 43% were complete hanging, while rest were partial hanging. Majority of the patients used dressing materials for hanging themselves. Out of 77 patients, 64 were discharged alive while 2 patients died in the hospital and 11 were left against medical advice. Conclusions: Hanging is still a major mode of deliberate self-harm in South India both among men and women. The outcome of near-hanging is positively influenced by early admission and active treatment.				
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	prevalence of ECC at 63%, and the lowest prevalence was reported in Sikkim (41.92%). This review has reported a high prevalence of ECC in India. None of the states reported prevalence below 40%. The government should identify ECC as a national priority which requires significant attention.				
142.	Ganesh, S., Jonathan, G. E., Patel, B. and Prabhu, K. Solitary facet joint osteochondroma of the upper thoracic spine: An unusual cause of cord compression in the pediatric age group Neurol India; 2018, 66 (2): 555-556 Address: Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROLOGICAL SCIENCES	PMI D: 29547195 WOS: 000427989900056 SCOPUS
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	programme management including training, transport, non-consumables, infrastructure and equipment were estimated per week per child based on total expenditures for research study and making suitable adjustments for estimations under government setting. Results: No significant difference in costs was found across the three regimens per covered or per treated child. The average cost per treated child in the government setting was estimated at US\$56 (<3500 rupees). Conclusion: Home-based management of SAM with a locally produced ready-to-use therapeutic food is feasible, acceptable, affordable and very cost-effective in terms of the disability-adjusted life years saved and gross national income per capita of the country. The treatment of SAM at home needs serious attention and integration into the existing health system, along with actions to prevent SAM. Trial registration number: NCT01705769; Pre-results.				
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5.NO	prophylaxis after HSCT for severe aplastic anemia (SAA) in patients receiving granulocyte colony-stimulating factor-mobilized peripheral blood stern cell (PBSC) grafts from HLA-matched related donors after conditioning with fludarabine, CY, and single-dose total body irradiation. Thirty patients with a median age of 29 years (range, 16 to 49) were enrolled in this study. Engraftment was seen in 27 patients (90%) at a median of 16 days (range, 12 to 21) post-HSCT. None of the patients developed veno-occlusive disease of the liver or hemorrhagic cystitis. Grades II to IV acute GVHD was seen in 22% of patients with grades III to IV GVHD in 11.1%. The 2-year cumulative incidence of chronic GVHD was 22.7%. Fourteen patients (46.6%) did not require any further immunosuppression after receiving PTCY. Comparing with 2 historical cohorts of 30 patients each who received cyclosporine and methotrexate (MTX; at 15 mg/m(2) [MTX15] and 10 mg/m(2) [MTX10]), the incidence of grades II to IV acute GVHD was lower, albeit not significantly, with the use of PTCY (PTCY, 22.2%, vs MTX15, 37.1%, vs MTX10, 53.8%; P=.056), whereas rates of chronic GVHD were significantly reduced (PTCY, 22.7%, vs MTX15, 63.6%, vs MTX10, 76.2%; P=.013). Viral infections including cytomegalovirus were significantly higher with the use of PTCY (60%) compared with cyclosporine and MTX (MTX15, 23.3%, vs MTX10, 33.3%; P=.008). Overall survival was similar between the 3 groups. We conclude that PTCY as the sole GVHD prophylaxis is associated with low rates of acute and chronic GVHD in patients undergoing PBSC transplant for SAA using HLA-matched donors. This trial is registered at CTRI/2010/091/001480. (C) 2017 American Society for Blood and Marrow Transplantation.	INT	MONTH	DEPI	PIVILD
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	Address: Department of General Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Introduction: Diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA) is a serious acute metabolic complication of diabetes mellitus (DM). It is classified into mild, moderate, and severe based on severity as per the American Diabetes Association (ADA) guidelines. There are limited data on the correlation between the severity of DKA and its outcomes using this classification system. The aim is to study the correlation between the outcomes and severity of DKA in a tertiary care center in India. Methodology: In this retrospective pilot study, 1527 patients with DM were identified over a span of 3 years, of which 63 had a discharge diagnosis of DKA and 37 fulfilled the ADA criteria for DKA. Following inclusion details on clinical parameters and outcomes of patients with mild, moderate, and severe DKA were compared. Results: Mild, moderate, and severe DKA accounted for 8%, 41%, and 51% of the patients, respectively. Intensive Care Unit (ICU) care was required in 6.7% and 47.4% of those with moderate and severe DKA, respectively. Invasive ventilation (IV) was required in 47% (9) of those with severe DKA only. The mortality rates were 13.3% and 26% among those with moderate and severe DKA. The mean expenditure was 29,000, 30,000, and 64,000 among those with mild, moderate, and severe DKA, respectively. Conclusions: The ADA classification of severity of DKA correlates well with the duration of inhospital stay, costs of care, requirement of ICU care, need for IV or non-IV, and mortality. This suggests that this classification system could be a valuable tool in predicting outcomes.				
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	Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Behavioral and geographical factors may play a role in the acquisition of scrub typhus infection. In this prospective case-control study, we studied the factors associated with infection. Patients and Methods: Consecutive adult patients admitted with scrub typhus infection over 10 months were recruited. For every case, a geographical control from the same area and a gender-matched clinical control admitted with acute febrile illness were enrolled. The risk factors, which included sanitation, environment, activity, and protective measures, were compared between cases and controls using univariable and multivariable conditional logistic regression analysis and expressed as odds ratio (OR) with 95% confidence interval (CI). Results: The study cohort (n = 225; 132 female) aged 44 +/- 17 years comprised of 75 cases and 150 controls from mid to low socioeconomic background. When compared with clinical controls, on univariable conditional regression analysis, cases were more likely to be involved in farming or gardening and less likely to have a toilet within the farming or gardening was associated with infection (OR: 4.2, 95% CI: 1.5-11.5). When compared with geographical controls, on univariable conditional regression analysis, cases were less likely to change undergarments or clothes before sleeping (OR: 3.5, 95% CI: 1.5-3) and more likely to have rodents in their house (OR: 2.5, 95% CI: 1-6.4) and rest on grass/mud without a mat (OR: 2.4, 95% CI: 1.1-5.3). On multivariate regression analysis, conclusion: Certain behavioral factors predisposed our cohort to develop scrub typhus infection. Lifestyle changes may reduce the burden of scrub typhus in South India.				
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	Importance: The increasing burden due to cancer and other noncommunicable diseases poses a threat to human development, which has resulted in global political commitments reflected in the Sustainable Development Goals as well as the World Health Organization (WHO) Global Action Plan on Non-Communicable Diseases. To determine if these commitments have resulted in improved cancer control, quantitative assessments of the cancer burden are required. Objective: To assess the burden for 29 cancer groups over time to provide a framework for policy discussion, resource allocation, and research focus. Evidence Review: Cancer incidence, mortality, years lived with disability, years of life lost, and disability-adjusted life-years (DALYs) were evaluated for 195 countries and territories by age and sex using the Global Burden of Disease study estimation methods. Levels and trends were analyzed over time, as well as by the Sociodemographic Index (SDI). Changes in incident cases were categorized by changes due to epidemiological vs demographic transition. Findings: In 2016, there were 17.2 million cancer cases worldwide and 8.9 million deaths. Cancer cases increased by 28% between 2006 and 2016. The smallest increase was seen in high SDI countries. Globally, population aging contributed 17%; population growth, 12%; and changes in age-specific rates, -1% to this change. The most common incident cancer globally for men was prostate cancer (1.4 million cases). The leading cause of cancer deaths and DALYs was tracheal, bronchus, and lung cancer (1.2 million deaths and 25.4 million DALYs). For women, the most common incident cancer and the leading cause of cancer deaths and DALYs was breast cancer (1.7 million incident cases, 535000 deaths, and 14.9 million DALYs). In 2016, cancer caused 213.2 million DALYs globally for both sexes combined. Between 2006 and 2016, the average annual age-standardized incidence rates for all cancers combined increased in 130 of 195 countries or territories, and the average annual age-standardized de				
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160.	Goel, Ruchika, Kabeerdoss, Jayakanthan, Mohan, Hindhumathi, Danda, Sumita, Jayaseelan, Visali, Kumar, T. Sathish, Jude, John, Bacon, Paul, Joseph, George and Danda, Debashish Soluble-HLA-E: A follow up biomarker in Takayasu arteritis, independent of HLA-E genotype International Journal of Rheumatic Diseases; 2018, 21 (2): 532-540 Aim: Disease activity assessment in Takayasu arteritis (TA) is challenging. Human leukocyte antigen E (HLA-E) is shed from endothelium into serum as a soluble molecule (sHLA-E) in response to inflammation. We aimed to study: (i) utility of sHLA-E as a biomarker of disease activity; and (ii) association of HLA-E polymorphism rs1264457 with clinical disease in Asian-Indian TA patients. Materials and Methods: In phase-1, sHLA-E levels were estimated in sera of 50 consecutive TA patients at baseline visit are estimated in sera of 50 consecutive TA patients at baseline visit were genotyped for rs1264457 polymorphism. Results: At baseline visit, disease was classified as active, stable and grumbling in 23, 18 and nine patients, respectively. sHLA-E levels were higher in active TA (43; interquartile range [IQR]: 25.3-64.6) pg/mL) than stable disease (12.9; IQR: 7.6-21.6 pg/mL) (P = 0.001). At first follow-up visit, sHLA-E levels were numerically higher in active disease than stable disease (P = 0.06) but this trend was blunted at second follow-up. sHLA-E levels increased in 54% versus 25% of patients with persistently active/relapsing and persistent stable course, respectively. rs1264457 polymorphism was not associated with susceptibility to TA and did not affect sHLA-E levels. Conclusion: sHLA-E level is useful as a biomarker of disease activity and course in TA patients. rs1264457 polymorphism is neither associated with susceptibility nor did it influence sHLA-E levels in TA.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY AND RHEUMATOLOGY, CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY	WOS:000423817900021
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162.	Gouw, S. C., Timmer, M. A., Srivastava, A., De Kleijn, P., Hilliard, P., Peters, M., Blanchette, V. and Fischer, K. Measurement of Joint health in persons with haemophilia: A systematic review of the measurement properties of haemophilia-specific instruments Haemophilia: 2018, 24 122-122 Address: Department of Pediatric Hematology, Academic Medical Center, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Department of Clinical Epidemiology, Leiden University Medical Center, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Van Creveldkliniek, Department of Hematology, University Medical Center, Utrecht, The Netherlands. Department of Hematology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Rehabilitation, Physical Therapy Science and Sport, Brain Center Rudolf Magnus, University Medical Center Utrecht, Utrecht, the Netherlands. Department of Rehabilitation, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Department of Paediatrics, Division of Hematology/Oncology, Hospital for Sick Children, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. INTRODUCTION: Accurate assessment of joint health in persons with haemophilia is crucial. Several haemophilia-specific measurement tools are available, but an overview of the measurement properties is lacking. AIM: To provide an overview of the measurement properties of haemophilia-specific measurement tools are available, but an overview of the measurement properties of haemophilia-specific measurement tools are searched for reports on reliability, validity or responsiveness of the World Federation of Haemophilia Orthopedic Joint Score (WFH), Colorado Physical Examination Score (CPE), joint examination score by Petrini (PJS) and Hemophilia Joint Health Score (HJHS). Methodological quality of the studies was assessed using an adapted COSMIN checklist. RESULTS: The search yielded 2905 unique hits, and 98 papers were included. The methodological quality of the included studies was limited. The HJHS was studied most extensively, which yielded limited evidence for good internal consistency and structural	INT	JAN TO JUNE	HEMATOLOGY	PMI D:30427100 WOS:000423774100223

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	CONCLUSION: Only patchy evidence is available on the quality of measurement properties of all haemophilia-specific joint health scores. Although significant gaps in the evidence for all instruments remain, measurement properties of the HJHS were most extensively studied and show no drawbacks for use in clinical practice. This review forms the basis for further research aimed at the assessment of measurement properties of measurement tools to assess joint health.				
163.	Govindaswamy, A., Sakthi, D., Pai, R., Jeyaseelan, L. and Michael, J. S. Pyrosequencing: a rapid and effective sequencing method to diagnose drug-resistant tuberculosis J Med Microbiol; 2018, 67 (9): 1212-1216 Address: 1Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632 004, India. 2Department of General Pathology, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632 004, India. 3Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632004, India. PURPOSE: This study was undertaken to evaluate the efficiency of the pyrosequencing (PSQ) assay for the rapid detection of resistance to rifampicin (RIF), fluoroquinolones (FQs) and second-line injectables (SLIs) such as capreomycin (CAP) and kanamycin (KAN) in Mycobacterium tuberculosis (Mtb) clinical isolates. METHODOLOGY: Pyrosequencing is a simple and accurate short read DNA sequencing method for genome analysis. DNA extraction from Mtb clinical isolates was performed using Tris-HCl buffer and chloroform. The rpoB (RIF), gyrA (FQs) and rrs (aminoglycosides) genes were amplified, followed by sequencing using the PyroMark Q24 ID system. The PSQ results were compared with the results from the conventional drug susceptibility testing performed in the laboratory. RESULTS: The sensitivity of the PSQ assay for the detection of resistance to RIF, FQ, CAP and KAN was 100 %, 100 %, 40 % and 50 %, respectively. The specificity of the PSQ assay was 100 %. CONCLUSION: The PSQ assay is a rapid and effective method for detecting drug resistance mutations from Mtb clinical isolates in a short period of time.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY, GENERAL PATHOLOGY, BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:30028665 SCOPUS WOS:000444186500002
164.	Graham, R. P., Naini, B. V., Shah, S. S., Arnold, C. A., Kannangai, R., Torbenson, M. S. and Lam-Himlin, D. M. Treponema pallidum Immunohistochemistry is positive in human intestinal Spirochetosis Diagn Pathol; 2018, 13 (1): 7 Address: Department of Laboratory Medicine and Pathology, Division of Anatomic Pathology, Mayo Clinic, 200 First Street SW, Rochester, MN, 55905, USA.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL VIROLOGY	PMID:29378606 SCOPUS WOS:000425815700001

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165.	Gupta, A. and Rajshekhar, V. Fatty filum terminale (FFT) as a secondary tethering element in children with closed spinal dysraphism Child's Nervous System; 2018, 34 (5): 925-932 Purpose: The purpose of this study was to assess the prevalence of FFT as an additional tethering element in children operated for closed spinal dysraphism, where FFT was not the primary tethering pathology. Methods: This is a retrospective study of 195 children (< 18 years of age) who underwent surgery for closed spinal dysraphism and did not have FFT as the primary diagnosis. All patients were operated during the period 2005–2017 by a single surgeon. The commonest diagnosis was a lipomyelomeningocele (LMMC, n = 81, 41.5%), followed by split cord malformations (SCM, types I and II, n = 61, 31.3%), dermal sinus (n = 28, 14.4%), and	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROSURGERY	WOS:000429793400018 SCOPUS

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	dermoid cyst (n = 10, 5.1%). Factors such as age and sex, presenting symptoms, intraoperative findings, and radiological presence of a FFT on a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) were documented, and the relationship between the primary diagnoses and presence of FFT was analyzed. Results: FFT as a secondary finding was seen in 63 patients (32.3%). The mean age of the cohort was 54 months (4.5 years) and the sex distribution was relatively even (51.8% girls). The commonest symptom at presentation was a swelling in the back, followed by lower limb weakness. The mean duration of symptoms was nearly 30 months. FFT was seen on the MRI and confirmed intraoperatively in 55 patients (28.2%). There were 8 patients (4.1%) where a FFT was seen intraoperatively, but was not diagnosed on the preoperative MRI. In 16 patients, FFT was seen > 2 segments away from the primary tethering pathology, 8 of which mandated a second skin incision for sectioning of the FFT. Secondary FFT was most commonly associated with a SCM (types I and II combined) and was seen in 42.6% of those patients. It was least commonly associated with intradural dermoid cysts. Conclusion: The presence of a secondary FFT should be considered and actively sought on preoperative thin-slice T1W axial MR images in the sacral region in all patients with spinal dysraphism. Even if a FFT is nesen on preoperative MR images, the filum should be explored and sectioned if it is in the vicinity of the primary surgical field, especially in patients with SCM. © 2017, Springer-Verlag GmbH Germany, part of Springer Nature.				
166.	Gupta, A., Nair, R. R., Moorthy, R. K. and Rajshekhar, V. Effect of Staphylococcal Decolonization Regimen and Change in Antibiotic Prophylaxis Regimen on Incidence of Postcraniotomy Aseptic Meningitis World Neurosurg; 2018, 119 e534-e540 Address: Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamilnadu, India. Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamilnadu, India. Electronic Address: rajshekhar@cmcvellore.ac.in. OBJECTIVE: To study the effect of a staphylococcal decolonization regimen (SDR) and change in antibiotic prophylaxis regimen on postoperative meningitis (bacterial and aseptic) rates in patients undergoing elective cranial surgery. METHODS: Data on elective craniotomy (supratentorial and infratentorial) were collected retrospectively for a total of 4 years-2 years before (2011-2012; group A) and 2 years after (2014-2015; group B) initiation of a SDR and a change in the antibiotic prophylaxis regimen (from chloramphenicol to ceftriaxone) in a neurosurgical unit of a tertiary care hospital. The SDR consisted of a 4% chlorhexidine scrub bath	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROLOGICAL SCIENCES	PMID:30075267 WOS:000447941300064 SCOPUS

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	once a day and 10% betadine ointment application intranasally twice daily for >/=2 days before surgery. RESULTS: A total of 1349 patients (GROUP A, n = 622; group B, n = 727) were included in the present study, of whom 806 (59.7%) were males. Of the 1349 patients, 43 (3.2%) developed postoperative meningitis. Of these 43 patients, 8 (0.6%) had bacterial meningitis (BM) and 35 (2.6%) had aseptic meningitis (AM). A reduction occurred in the incidence of both BM and AM in group B; however, the reduction was statistically significant only for AM (P = 0.48 for BM; P = 0.019 for AM). Multivariate analysis showed that the initiation of an SDR conferred a significant protective effect against developing postoperative AM (relative risk, 0.31; 95% confidence interval, 0.14-0.70; P = 0.005). CONCLUSIONS: Our data showed that the incidence of AM can be reduced with an SDR and appropriate antibiotic prophylaxis. These findings lend support to the suspicion that AM might be a form of low-grade BM possibly due to a staphylococcal infection.				
167.	Gupta, M., Suryawanshi, M., Kumar, R. and Peedicayil, A. Angioleiomyoma of Uterus: A Clinicopathologic Study of 6 Cases International Journal of Surgical Pathology; 2018, 26 (1): 18-23 Background and Objectives. Angioleiomyoma is a benign perivascular neoplasm commonly involving subcutaneous tissue of extremities, head, and trunk region. They rarely involve the female genital tract. This study analyses clinicopathological features of 6 cases of uterine angioleiomyoma. Methods. Routine sections of 6 cases were reviewed and immunohistochemical markers namely muscle-specific actin, h-caldesmon, desmin, CD10, WT-1, HMB-45, and melan-A were done. Results. Of the 6 cases, 4 cases had tumor involving the corpus and 2 cases had tumor in the cervix. Grossly, all tumors had a whorled and congested cut surface. Microscopic examination of all the cases revealed circumscribed neoplasms composed of interlacing fascicles of benign perivascular smooth muscle cells with evenly distributed slit-like blood vessels (solid variant) along with vessels exhibiting thick muscular walls with swirling pattern (venous variant). In only 2 cases many dilated vessels were seen (cavernous variant). Immunohistochemically, all cases were positive for muscle-specific actin, h-caldesmon, and desmin. All cases were negative for CD10 and WT-1 ruling out endometrial stromal tumor and were negative for HMB-45 and melan-A ruling out perivascular epithelioid cell tumor have prominent vessels but have different histomorphology). In all cases, surgical excision was curative and there were no intraoperative or postoperative complications. Follow-up of all the cases has been unremarkable. Conclusion. As the World Health Organization has not included angioleiomyoma in the classification	INT	JAN TO JUNE	OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY	WOS:000419370400003 SCOPUS

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	of mesenchymal tumors of uterine corpus and cervix, we recommend that it should be included in the classification. © 2017, © The Author(s) 2017.				
168.	Gupta, N. and Agarwal, A. Management of Uveitis in Spondyloarthropathy: Current Trends Perm J. 2018; 22. doi: 10.7812/TPP/17-041. Author information: (1)Fellow in Clinical Immunology and Rheumatology at the Christian Medical College in Vellore, India. drnikhilguptamamc@gmail.com. (2)Senior Resident in Ophthalmology at Nair Charitable Hospital in Maharashtra, Mumbai, India. aditiagarwal.26888@gmail.com. Spondyloarthritis is a chronic inflammatory disease predominantly affecting joints of the axial skeleton. However, as many as 50% of patients with this disease may have extra-articular manifestations, which include uveitis; psoriasis; inflammatory bowel disease such as Crohn disease or ulcerative colitis; cardiovascular manifestations in the form of conduction abnormalities, atherosclerosis, or valvular heart disease; pulmonary involvement; and rarely renal involvement. Uveitis occurs in 25% to 40% of patients with spondyloarthritis. Management of uveitis is crucial to prevent morbidity caused by vision loss and secondary complications. Treatment ranges from local therapies to systemic drugs and varies depending on the severity and response to treatment. Categories of medical treatment include nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory agents, corticosteroids, and steroid-sparing agents. Biologic therapies such as antitumor necrosis factor agents act early in the disease process and have revolutionized the field of rheumatology, including management of uveitis. This review will focus on the management of ophthalmic manifestations in spondyloarthropathies. DOI: 10.7812/TPP/17-041	INT	JAN TO JUNE		PMID: 29272246 PMCID: PMC5741284 SCOPUS
169.	Gupta, N., Kabeerdoss, J., Mohan, H., Goel, R. and Danda, D. High Secretion of Interleukin-6 and Increased MINCLE Receptor Expression Upon Exposure to Mycobacterial Cord Factor Analog Trehalose-6, 6-Dibehenate (TDB) in Patients with Takayasu Arteritis Open Rheumatol J; 2018, 12 30-36 Address: Department of Clinical Immunology and Rheumatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Introduction: Suspicion on the association between Takayasu Arteritis (TA) and Tubcerculosis (TB) has been in vogue for years. Prevalence of TB in TA is reported to be higher. We aimed to study innate immune responses in patients with TA on exposure to Trehalose-6,6-dibehenate (TDB), a synthetic analogue of	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY AND RHEUMATOLOGY	PMID:29643949 PMC ID:5876924 SCOPUS

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	Trehalose-6,6-Dimycolate (TDM, also known as mycobacterial cord factor) in comparison with healthy controls. Materials and Methods: Patients with type V TA, satisfying 1990 ACR criteria, and age and sex matched healthy controls were recruited. PBMCs were cultured with 5microg/ml, 50microg/ml or without any TDB for 48 hours in RPMI medium inside a 5% Co2 incubator. IL-6, TNF-alpha and IL-17 were measured in cell culture supernatant, which was separated from the cells at the end of the incubation period. Gene expressions of IL-6, IL-8, TNFalpha, IFN-gamma, MINCLE and BCL-10 were quantified in real time PCR using specific primers and SYBR green chemistry. Results: Twenty two TA patients and 21 healthy controls were recruited. Both patients and controls showed response by secreting IL-6 and TNF-alpha upon stimulation by TDB. Relative induction (TDB stimulated TA sample / unstimulated control) of IL-6 was significantly higher in TA [31.88(0.74-168)] patients as compared to healthy controls [1.931(0.644-8.21); p<0.002], when co-cultured with 50microg/ml TDB. The expression of MINCLE, the TDB receptor was higher in TA samples than healthy controls upon TDB stimulation. Conclusion: Stimulation with mycobacterial synthetic analogue led to higher secretion of IL-6 and higher expression of MINCLE in PBMCs of patients with TA as compared to healthy controls.				
170.	Gupta, N., Mathew, J., Mohan, H., Chowdhury, S. D., Kurien, R. T., Christopher, D. J., Thangakunam, B., Alexander, M., Sivadasan, A., Tamilarasi, V., Valson, A. T., Gowri, M., Kabeerdoss, J. and Danda, D. Addition of second-line steroid sparing immunosuppressants like mycophenolate mofetil improves outcome of Immunoglobulin G4-related disease (IgG4-RD): a series from a tertiary care teaching hospital in South India Rheumatology International; 2018, 38 (2): 203-209 IgG4-related disease (IgG4-RD) is a systemic fibro-inflammatory disease. This disease may be associated with elevated serum and tissue IgG4 levels. Early treatment prevents fibrosis and organ damage. We retrospectively studied the clinicopathologic correlation and outcome of treatment in IgG4-RD. This single-center retrospective study was done using electronic records of patients subjected to assay of serum IgG4 levels in our laboratory by nephelometry. There were 473 patients with suspected IgG4-RD. Of them, 41 patients fulfilled comprehensive diagnostic criteria for IgG4-RD and 432 had diseases other than IgG4-RD. Clinical and histopathological data including tissue IgG4/IgG ratio, other relevant laboratory findings as well as management data of 41 patients with IgG4-RD were analyzed. There were 29 males and 12 females with mean age of 44.1 ± 2.19 years. Thirteen patients had definite, 19 had probable and 9 had possible IgG4-RD. Male	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROLOGY, NEPHROLOGY, CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY AND RHEUMATOLOGY, PEDIATRICS	WOS:000422917100004 SCOPUS

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	predominance, multiple organ involvement and IgG4 responder Index were significantly higher in definite IgG4-RD as compared to probable and possible IgG4-RD. Serum IgG4 level was elevated in 37 patients (90.2%). Glucocorticoids were used in 35 patients (85.4%) and second-line immunosuppressive agent in 23 patients (65.7%). Of the 21 patients on follow-up, 19 (90.7%) had clinical improvement at the first follow-up visit. Nine (90%) out of the ten patients who were assessed by IgG4 responder index, also had shown improved score with treatment. Patients with IgG4-RD in our series showed favorable responses to treatment with glucocorticoids and addition of steroid sparing immunosuppressive agents (mainly mycophenolate mofetil) helped successful tapering of steroids, while maintaining the improvement. © 2017, Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg.				
171.	Gupta, P., Choksi, M., Goel, A., Zachariah, U., Sajith, K. G., Ramachandran, J., Chandy, G., Kurian, G., Rebekah, G. and Eapen, C. E. Maintenance zinc therapy after initial penicillamine chelation to treat symptomatic hepatic Wilson's disease in resource constrained setting Indian J Gastroenterol; 2018, 37 (1): 31-38 Address: Department of Hepatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632 004, India. docpiyushgupta@gmail.com. Department of Hepatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632 004, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632 004, India. BACKGROUND: Experience with zinc in treating symptomatic hepatic Wilson's disease (WD) is limited. AIM: To study the efficacy of Penicillamine followed by zinc in treating symptomatic hepatic Wilson's disease. METHODS: We retrospectively analyzed case records of 31 symptomatic hepatic WD patients for whom disease severity scores (Child's, model for end-stage liver disease (MELD), Nazer's, and New Wilson Index (NWI) score) and 24-h urinary copper were compared at 3-time points-baseline at presentation, at transition from penicillamine to zinc and at end of follow up. RESULTS: Thirty-one patients (median age 11 [5-24] years) with symptomatic hepatic WD were studied; ten had associated neuropsychiatric manifestations of WD. Penicillamine was changed to zinc sulfate either due to financial constraints (28 patients) or due to adverse effects of penicillamine (3 patients). At presentation (baseline), six patients belonged to Child's class A, five to Child's B, and 17 to Child's C. Duration of initial penicillamine chelation therapy was 134 (2-320) weeks, and of subsequent zinc therapy was 363 (35-728) weeks. There was a significant improvement in liver function tests and disease severity scores (Child's, MELD,	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	HEPATOLOGY, BIOSTATISTICS	PMI D: 29457214

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	Nazer's, and NWI score) at the transition from penicillamine to zinc compared to baseline. This improvement was maintained until the end of study period with 90% survival at 10 (2-20) years. Fifteen of the 17 Child's C cirrhotic patients showed significant improvement in disease severity scores from baseline until end of follow up. CONCLUSIONS: Penicillamine followed by zinc may be a safe and effective treatment in resource-constrained setting for symptomatic hepatic WD patients in all grades of baseline disease severity. Some patients with decompensated cirrhosis due to WD may be managed with medical treatment, avoiding liver transplantation.				
172.	Hanas, J. S., Hocker, J. R., Ramajayam, G., Prabhakaran, V., Rajshekhar, V., Oommen, A., Manoj, J. J., Anderson, M. P., Drevets, D. A. and Carabin, H. Distinguishing neurocysticercosis epilepsy from epilepsy of unknown etiology using a minimal serum mass profiling platform Exp Parasitol; 2018, 192 98-107 Address: Dept. of Biochemistry, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center (HSC), Oklahoma City, 73104, USA. Dept. of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632004, India. Dept. of Biostatistics and Epidemiology, University of Oklahoma HSC, Oklahoma City, 73104, USA. Dept. of Internal Medicine, University of Oklahoma HSC, And the VA Medical Center, Oklahoma City, 73104, USA. Dept. of Biostatistics and Epidemiology, University of Oklahoma HSC, Oklahoma City, 73104, USA. Dept. of Biostatistics and Epidemiology, University of Oklahoma HSC, Oklahoma City, 73104, USA. Electronic Address: helene-carabin@ouhsc.edu. Neurocysticercosis is associated with epilepsy in pig-raising communities with poor sanitation. Current internationally recognized diagnostic guidelines for neurocysticercosis rely on brain imaging, a technology that is frequently not available or not accessible in areas endemic for neurocysticercosis. The goal of this study was to test the extent to which patients with neurocysticercosis epilepsy, epilepsy of unknown etiology, idiopathic headaches and among different types of neurocysticercosis lesions could be distinguished from each other based on serum mass profiling. For this, we collected sera from patients with neurocysticercosis-associated epilepsy, epilepsy of unknown etiology, recovered neurocysticercosis, and idiopathic headaches then performed binary group comparisons among them using electrospray ionization mass spectrometry. A leave one [serum sample] out cross validation procedure was employed to analyze spectral data. Sera from neurocysticercosis patients with a distinguished from epilepsy of unknown etiology patients with a	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROLOGICAL SCIENCES	PMID:30096291 PMC ID:6171118 WOS:000444788600015 SCOPUS

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	p-value of 10(-28). This distinction was lost when samples were randomized to either group (p-value=0.22). Similarly, binary comparisons of patients with neurocysticercosis who has different types of lesions showed that different forms of this disease were also distinguishable from one another. These results suggest neurocysticercosis epilepsy can be distinguished from epilepsy of unknown etiology based on biomolecular differences in sera detected by mass profiling.				
173.	Harikrishnan, S., Sarma, S., Sanjay, G., Jeemon, P., Krishnan, M. N., Venugopal, K., Mohanan, P. P., Jeyaseelan, L., Thankappan, K. R. and Zachariah, G. Prevalence of metabolic syndrome and its risk factors in Kerala, South India: Analysis of a community based cross-sectional study PLoS One; 2018, 13 (3): e0192372 Address: Department of Cardiology, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India. Department of Preventive Medicine, Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois, United States of America. Achutha Menon Centre for Health Science Studies, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India. Department of Cardiology, Government Medical College, Kozhikode, Kerala, India. Department of Cardiology, Pushpagiri Hospital, Tiruvalla, Kottayam, Kerala, India. Department of Cardiology, Westfort High-tech Hospital, Thrissur, Kerala, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Cardiology, Mother Hospital, Thrissur, Kerala, India. BACKGROUND: Coronary Artery Disease (CAD) is a leading cause of death and disability in Kerala, India. Metabolic syndrome (MS) is a constellation of established risk factors for CAD. We aimed to estimate the prevalence of MS and evaluate the association between MS and CAD using a community-based sample population. METHODS: A cross-sectional community based survey was conducted in urban and rural areas of Kerala in 2011. We included 5063 individuals for analysis. Age standardized prevalence of MS, associated diagnoses (hypertension, diabetes and hypercholesterolemia) and other potential risk factors were assessed for men and women in both urban and rural locations. Univariate and multivariate logistic regression models were developed to identify participant characteristics that are associated with MS. RESULTS: After standardization for age and adjustment for	INT	JAN TO JUNE	BIOSTATISTICS	PMI D:29584725 PMC I D:5870937 WOS:000428373000002 SCOPUS

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	sex and urban-rural distribution, the prevalence of metabolic syndrome in Kerala was 24%, 29% and 33% for the NCEP ATP III, IDF and AHA/NHLBI Harmonization definitions, respectively. The mean (SD) age of the participants was 51 (14) years, and 60% were women. Women had a higher prevalence of MS than men (28% versus 20% for ATP III, p<0.001). Similarly, participants living in urban areas had higher prevalence of MS than their rural counterparts (26% versus 22%, p<0.001). Elevated body mass index, older age, and female sex were associated with MS in an adjusted multivariate model. The propensity for definite CAD was 1.7 times higher in individuals with MS defined based on ATP III criteria compared to those without MS (Adjusted OR = 1.69; 95% CI: 1.3-2.2, p<0.001). CONCLUSIONS: One of four to one of three adult individuals in Kerala have MS based on different criteria. Higher propensity for CAD in individuals with MS in Kerala calls for urgent steps to prevent and control the burden of metabolic conditions.				
174.	Herle, K., Jehangir, S. and Thomas, R. J. Stricture Urethra in Children: An Indian Perspective J Indian Assoc Pediatr Surg; 2018, 23 (4): 192-197 Address: Department of Pediatric Surgery and Paediatric Urology, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Pediatric urethral stricture and its treatment have functional implications in the growing child. Subjects and Methods: A retrospective study of records on urethral strictures encountered in our institution between January 2005 and May 2016 yielded 23 boys against a backdrop of 19,250 admissions during the same period; stenosis and strictures after hypospadias repair were not included in this study. Demographic data were collected from the charts, and the success of repair was assessed clinically by success of repair was assessed clinically by observing for presence or absence of symptoms such as dribbling, straining at voiding, adequacy of urinary stream and radiologicaly by assessing the micturition phase of voiding cystourethrogram. Success was defined as successful initiation, flow, and completion of voiding with radiological evidence of reestablishment of urethral continuity. Results: The most common cause of urethral stricture was perineal or pelvic trauma (56.5%). Three after surgery for anorectal malformation (13.04%) and 2 (8.6%) followed otherwise unspecified urethritis. Transperineal and transpubic anastomotic routes were used for surgery. Redo surgery was required in 47.8%. The overall success rate was 82%. A self-catheterizable mitrofanoff channel was created as part of the primary procedure in 63.6% (7/11) or after the failure of the first procedure in 36.3% (4/11). Conclusion: The majority of urethral strictures are long-segment strictures or those with complete disruption not amenable to	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PEDIATRIC SURGERY AND PAEDIATRIC UROLOGY	PMID:30443113 PMC ID:6182950 SCOPUS

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	endoscopic techniques. The aim of the surgery is to obtain end-to-end opposition of healthy proximal and distal urethra. The route - transperineal or transpubic - which will give the best access to the ends of the urethra is determined by the location and extent of the stricture and the alteration in anatomy as a consequence of the pelvic fracture. Even after the introduction of laser and endoscopic techniques, surgical repair is required to tackle the majority of urethral strictures in children.				
175.	Inja, R. R., Paul, R. R., Varghese, L., Santosh, S., Sebastian, T. and Mathews, S. S. Voice Change Following Adenotonsillectomy in Pediatric Population: Myth or Reality?—A Pilot Study Indian Journal of Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery; 2018, 1-6 Address: Department of ENT, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India Modifications in the structure of pharynx following adenotonsillectomy are presumed to cause changes in the voice characteristics of patients. Data on effect of tonsillectomy/adenotonsillectomy on changes in voice among Indian children are sparse. This study was thus conducted to study the effect of adenotonsillectomy/tonsillectomy on childrens' voice. It was a prospective observational study of children aged 4–15 years undergoing tonsillectomy with or without adenoidectomy. Measures of voice were noted preoperatively, 1 and 3 months post-operatively. Subjective evaluation was done using Paediatric Voice Outcome Survey (PVOS) questionnaire administered to participants' parents. Objective evaluation was done by recording and analyzing using PRAAT voice analysis software which is an open-software tool. Statistical analysis was done using the statistical software SPSS 17.0 version. There were 31 children between 4 and 14 years of age 65% being male. Adenotonsillectomy was done in 83.5%. There was statistically significant difference in the subjective score (pvOS) pre-operatively and 3 month postoperative score (p value = 0.001). However, there was no statistically significant difference between any other pre op and post op parameters. Though the only significant post tonsillectomy voice changes noted was subjective by parents 3 months later, it does raise concern whether this could be a reality and not a myth. Further studies with larger number of patients, including involving the subjective evaluation (PVOS) by another person in addition to patients' parent need to be undertaken to address this issue. © 2018 Association of Otolaryngologists of India	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	ENT	SCOPUS

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176.	Irugu, D. V. K., Singh, A., Ch, S., Panuganti, A., Acharya, A., Varma, H., Thota, R., Falcioni, M. and Reddy, S. Comparison between early and delayed facial nerve decompression in traumatic facial nerve paralysis - A retrospective study CoDAS; 2018, 30 (1): e20170063 Address: Department of Otorhinolaryngology and Head & Neck Surgery, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, India. Department of Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Otorhinolaryngology and Head & Neck Surgery, Osmania Medical College, Hyderabad, India. Department of Otorhinolaryngology and Head & Neck Surgery, Governament Medical College, Nizamabad, India. Department of Otorhinolaryngology and Head & Neck Surgery, University Hospital, Parma, Italy. Purpose To study the intraoperative findings in case of early and delayed decompression of facial nerve paralysis and compare their results. Methods Retrospective data analysis of 23 cases of longitudinal temporal bone fracture with House-Brackmann grade V and VI facial nerve paralysis. All cases were thoroughly evaluated and underwent facial nerve decompression through the transmastoid approach. All cases were under regular follow-up till the date of manuscript submission. Results Clinical improvement of the facial nerve function was observed for early vs. delayed facial nerve decompression. In the early decompression group, facial nerve function improved to grade II in eight cases (80%) and grade III in two cases (20%), whereas in the delayed decompression group it improved to grade II in one case (7.70%), grade III in four cases (30.76%), grade IV in seven cases (53.84%), and grade V in one case (7.70%). Conclusions Early decompression because it enables early expansion of the nerve.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	SURGERY	PMID:29451668 SCOPUS
177.	Jacob John, T. World immunization week 2018: What lessons for India? Indian Journal of Medical Research; 2018, 147 (April): 330-333	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY	SCOPUS
178.	Jacob, J. A. and Kuruvilla, A. Quality of Life and Explanatory Models of Illness in Patients with Schizophrenia Indian J Psychol Med; 2018, 40 (4): 328-334 Address: Department of Psychiatry, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Patients with schizophrenia hold a variety of explanatory models of illness that influence different aspects of their life including their understanding of the disease, ability to cope and sense of well-being. Aim: To study the association of	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PSYCHIATRY	PMI D:30093743 PMC I D:6065140 SCOPUS

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	explanatory models and quality of life in patients with schizophrenia. Materials and Methods: One hundred and thirty consecutive patients with schizophrenia attending a psychiatric outpatient clinic were recruited in the study and administered the Positive and Negative Symptom Scale (PANSS), the modified Short Explanatory Model Interview (SEMI) and the World Health Organization Quality of Life-BREF (WHOQOL-BREF) Scale to assess severity of psychosis, explanatory models of illness, and quality of life. Sociodemographic and clinical details of patients were also recorded. Standard bivariate and multivariable statistics were employed. Results: Higher quality of life scores were associated with better socioeconomic conditions and lower scores on negative and general psychopathology subscales of PANSS. Quality-of-life scores were significantly higher in patients who did not perceive their illness to have negative effects on the different domains of their functioning. Conclusion: Explanatory models of illness are associated with perceived quality of life in patients with schizophrenia. There is a need to focus on attitudes, perceptions and functioning, rather than symptom reduction alone, to enhance the quality of life in schizophrenia.				
179.	Jacob, J. R., Paul, A. and Alex, A. G. Devil is in the detail BMJ Case Rep; 2018, 2018 Address: Department of cardiac electrophysiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. A 15-year-old girl of Asian origin, hailing from a rural agrarian background, presented with history of multiple episodes of dizziness for 3 years. The episodes were precipitated mostly by emotional and/or physical stress and relieved on lying down, with a few episodes culminating in transient loss of consciousness. As preliminary cardiac and neurological evaluation were normal, she was being treated by the primary physician as a case of probable psychogenic syncope, supported by the consistent association of the episodes with emotional stress. A detailed review of family history revealed that the premature demise of the patient's siblings which were attributed to snakebite and head trauma by the family could have been in reality sudden cardiac deaths. Treadmill test revealed exercise-induced polymorphic ventricular tachycardia confirmatory for the diagnosis of catecholaminergic polymorphic ventricular tachycardia. She was initiated on beta-blocker therapy to which she showed remarkable response.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CARDIAC ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY	PMID:29666096 SCOPUS
180.	Jagannath, S., Sachithanandham, J., Ramalingam, V. V., Demosthenes, J. P., Abraham, A. M., Zachariah, A., Varghese, G. M. and Kannangai, R. BK virus characterisation among HIV-1-Infected individuals and its	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL VIROLOGY, INFECTIOUS DISEASES	PMI D:30084406 WOS:000441827600004 SCOPUS

S.No	AUTHOR, TITLE, SOURCE, AUTHOR AFFILIATION, ABSTRACT	NAT /	MONTH	DEPT	PMID
	association with immunosuppression Indian J Med Microbiol; 2018, 36 (2): 172-177 Address: Department of Clinical Virology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Medicine and Infectious Diseases, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Purpose: BK virus (BKV) is an opportunistic pathogen which causes significant morbidity and mortality in individuals who are immunodeficient. We aimed to quantitate and characterise BKV and to correlate with the degree of immunosuppression among human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)-1-infected individuals. Methods: BKV DNA detection was carried out using an in-house quantitative real-time polymerase chain reaction on paired whole-blood and urine samples collected from 187 antiretroviral therapy (ART)-naive HIV-1-infected individuals and 93 healthy individuals who served as controls. Sequencing was performed for a proportion of high BK viral load (VL) samples to observe non-coding control region (NCCR) rearrangements. Results: BKV positivity in urine was 25.6% among HIV-infected individuals and 10.7% in control individuals (P = 0.03). The BK VL showed a significant negative correlation with CD4+ T-cell counts, a positive correlation with WHO clinical staging and no significant correlation with HIV-1 VL. Of 42 BKVs from urine samples sequenced, two showed rearrangements without clinically severe disease or high VL. Their NCCR and VP1 sequence-based genotyping revealed genotype I. In a small subset of individuals (n = 8) on ART who were being followed up, six individuals showed either decrease or complete clearance of virus with ART. Conclusion: There was a higher frequency of BK viruria in HIV-1-infected individuals than among healthy controls and the positivity correlated with the degree of immunosuppression. There was no association of high VL with NCCR rearrangements in urine.	INT			
181.	Jain, A., Kumar, D., Guleria, A., Misra, D. P., Zanwar, A., Chaurasia, S., Kumar, S., Kumar, U., Mishra, S. K., Goel, R., Danda, D. and Misra, R. NMR-Based Serum Metabolomics of Patients with Takayasu Arteritis: Relationship with Disease Activity Journal of proteome research; 2018, 17 (9): 3317-3324 Address: Department of Clinical Immunology, SGPGIMS, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh 226014, India. Centre of Biomedical Research, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh 226014, India. Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu 632004, India. Takayasu arteritis (TA) is a large vessel vasculitis of unknown pathogenesis. Assessment of disease activity is a challenge, and there is an unmet need for relevant biomarker(s). In our previous study, NMR based serum metabolomics had revealed distinctive	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY AND RHEUMATOLOGY	PMID:30095916 WOS:000444364700033 SCOPUS

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	metabolic signatures in TA patients compared with age/sex matched healthy controls and systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE). In this study we investigate whether the metabolites correlate with disease activity. Patients with TA fulfilling American College of Rheumatology (ACR) criteria were enrolled, and disease activity was assessed using Indian Takayasu Clinical Activity Score using acute phase reactant-erythrocyte sedimentation rate [ITAS-A (ESR)]. Sera were analyzed using 800 MHz NMR spectrometer to identify metabolites [based on partial least squares discriminant analysis (PLS-DA) VIP (variable importance in projection) score > 1.0 and permutation test, p-value <0.01]. 45 active and 53 inactive TA patients with median age 27 [(IQR) 22-35 years] and 27 [(IQR) 23-37 years], female to male ratio 3.5:1 and 4.9:1, and median duration of illness 5 [(IQR) 2-9 years] and 3 [(IQR) 1-6 years], respectively, were enrolled. The key metabolites with highest discriminatory potential in active TA (ITAS-A >/= 4) were glutamate and N-acetyl glycoprotein (NAG), both elevated, with area under the curve 0.775 and 0.769 (p-value <0.001). On follow up assessment, metabolic spectra started to differ with change in disease activity. This large cohort of patients revealed metabolic profiles discriminating between clinically active and inactive TA patients. It suggests glutamate and NAG have strong potential as biomarkers for disease activity in TA and may serve as a guide to therapy. We are now working to further validate these results in longitudinal studies.				
182.	Jain, P., Korula, A., Deshpande, P., Pn, N., Abu Alex, A., Abraham, A., Srivastava, A., Janet, N. B., Lakshmi, K. M., Balasubramanian, P., George, B. and Mathews, V. Adult Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia: Limitations of Intensification of Therapy in a Developing Country J Glob Oncol; 2018, (4): 1-12 Address: All authors: Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Purpose Limited data exist on intensifying chemotherapy regimens in the treatment of adult acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) outside the setting of a clinical trial. Materials and Methods Retrospectively, data from 507 consecutive adults (age >/= 15 years) with a diagnosis of ALL treated at our center were analyzed. Standard-risk (SR) patients were offered treatment with a modified German Multicenter ALL (GMALL) regimen, whereas high-risk (HR) patients were offered intensification of therapy with hyperfractionated cyclophosphamide, vincristine, doxorubicin, and dexamethasone (HCVAD). Because of resource constraints, a proportion of HR patients opted to receive the same treatment regimen as used for SR patients. Results There were 344 SR patients (67.8%) and 163 HR patients (32.2%) at diagnosis. Among the HR patients, 53 (32.5%) opted to receive intensification with	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY	PMID:30222028

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	the HCVAD regimen. The SR cohort showed a superior 5-year event-free survival rate compared with the HR cohort (47.3% v 23.6%, respectively; P < .001). Within the HR subgroup, there was no statistically significant difference in overall survival or event-free survival between patients who received the modified GMALL regimen (n = 59) and patients who received HCVAD (n = 53). Conclusion Intensified therapy in the HR subset was associated with a significant increase in early treatment-related mortality and cost of treatment. A modified GMALL regimen was found to be cost-effective with clinical outcomes comparable to those achieved with more intensive regimens.				
183.	James, J. P. and Thampi, S. M. Time spent by patients in a pre-anaesthetic clinic and the factors affecting it: An audit from a tertiary care teaching hospital Indian J Anaesth; 2018, 62 (1): 16-22 Address: Department of Anaesthesiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background and Aims: Patient satisfaction from a pre-anaesthetic clinic (PAC) visit is greatly influenced by time spent there. We aimed to determine time spent in a PAC without an appointment system and the factors affecting the same. Methods: Four hundred and eight patients coming to PAC were tracked using a time-motion study model. Time spent in waiting and consultation was recorded. Independent variables potentially affecting time spent were documented. Patients were grouped based on independent variables, and the groups were compared for significant differences using appropriate statistical tests. Workload pending on physicians was calculated on an hourly basis by counting number of patients waiting and number of physicians in PAC. Results: Non-parametric statistical tests were used for analysis because the data were not normally distributed. The median and inter-quartile range for waiting time, consultation time and total time were 60 (30-90) minutes, 17 (12-26) minutes and 79 (53-111) minutes, respectively. There was considerable variation in all three. Waiting time was significantly lower in patients posted for same-day surgery or those arriving on a stretcher or wheelchair. Consultation time was correlated with American Society of Anesthesiologists physical status and grade of surgery. Most patients arrived in the morning rather than at equal intervals. Waiting time and workload were therefore maximum in the midmorning and dropped rapidly in the afternoon. Conclusion: Large variability in waiting time is linked to lack of an appointment system, and to patients being seen out of turn.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	ANAESTHESIOLOGY	PMID:29416146 PMC ID:5787885 SCOPUS

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184.	Janardana, R., Irodi, A., Chebbi, P. P., Rv, L., Danda, D. and Mahasampath, G. SCLERODERMA RELATED INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE AND MYCOPHENOLATE: LONG TERM OUTCOMES Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases; 2018, 77 123-124	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY AND RHEUMATOLOGY	WOS:000444351000314
185.	Jasper, S. and Philip, S. S. Profile of cerebral visual impairment in children with cerebral palsy at a tertiary care referral center in Southern India Journal of Clinical and Diagnostic Research; 2018, 12 (3): NC01-NC04 Introduction: Cerebral Visual Impairment (CVI) is a complex cognitive-perceptual dysfunction with wide spectrum of clinical manifestations. Perinatal insults like hypoxic ischaemic encephalopathy and neonatal hypoglycaemia are common aetiologies for neurological disorders like Cerebral Palsy (CP) and CVI. Currently there are no published data describing the features of CVI in CP from the Indian subcontinent. Aim: To describe the characteristics of CVI in children with CP at a tertiary care referral center in southern India. Materials and Methods: This was a cross-sectional study of children below the age of 18 years, referred to the CVI clinic of a tertiary care teaching hospital in southern India from March 2011-Feb 2012. All children attending the clinic underwent a complete neuro-ophthalmology examination including functional vision assessment. They were classified into: 1) absent CVI; 2) probable CVI; and 3) definite CVI depending on the clinical examination. Results: A total of 341 children, M:F=1.8:1, age range 3 months-17 years were included in the study. Around 69% (n=236) of the referral had CP with 96% (n=227) having spastic form of CP. Definite CVI was seen in 50% (n=119) of children with CP. In children with CP and definite CVI history of neonatal and perinatal insults was more common and the most common clinical diagnosis was seizure disorder in 52% (n=143) of children. Exotropia, temporal pallor of optic disc, inability to recognise face, impaired visual attention and lower field defect were the common clinical findings. Neuroimaging of children with CP and definite CVI showed occipital gliosis in 51% (n=31) of cases. Conclusion: In our study, CVI was prevalent in children with CP. A detailed neuro-ophthalmological evaluation is a must in all children with special needs and it is	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	OPHTHALMOLOGY	SCOPUS
186.	Jayachandran, A., Jonathan, G. E., Patel, B. and Prabhu, K. Primary spinal cord glioblastoma metastasizing to the cerebellum: A missed entity	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROLOGICAL SCIENCES,	PMI D:29766960 WOS:000432404000051

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187.	Jayaram, A., Manipadam, M. T. and Jacob, P. M. Anastomosing hemangioma with extensive fatty stroma in the retroperitoneum Indian J Pathol Microbiol; 2018, 61 (1): 120-122 Address: Department of Pathology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Endocrine Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Anastomosing hemangiomas are a recently recognized benign vascular neoplasm, first described by Montgomery and Epstein in 2009. A few cases have been described in the genitourinary tract, especially in the renal hilum. These are fairly well-demarcated lesions with lobules of sinusoidal-like capillaries lined by hobnail endothelial cells containing eosinophilic hyaline globules in the cytoplasm. Extramedullary hematopoiesis has been described in a few cases, along with large feeding vessels. A predominant adipocytic component has been described in only one case. ([9]) We describe a case of a retroperitoneal anastomosing hemangioma occurring in an extrarenal site in a 53-year-old female, followed by a review of the current literature.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PATHOLOGY, ENDOCRINE SURGERY	PMID:29567900 WOS:000428438900025 SCOPUS
188.	Jayaraman, R., Varghese, R., Kumar, J. L., Neeravi, A., Shanmugasundaram, D., Ralph, R., Thomas, K. and Veeraraghavan, B. Invasive pneumococcal disease in Indian adults: 11 years' experience J Microbiol Immunol Infect; 2018, Address: Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore 632004, India. Electronic Address: ranjithcmc@gmail.com. Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore 632004, India. Electronic Address: rosemol.varghese@gmail.com. Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore 632004, India. Electronic Address: jonedany1208@gmail.com. Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore 632004, India. Electronic Address: ayyanmicro@gmail.com. Department of Biostatistics, National Institute for Research in Environmental Health (ICMR), Bhopal 462001, India. Electronic Address: devika.cmc@gmail.com.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY, GENERAL MEDICINE	PMI D: 29884448

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	Department of General Medicine, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore 632004, India. Electronic Address: ravikar_ralph@yahoo.com. Department of General Medicine, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore 632004, India. Electronic Address: kurien123@gmail.com. Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore 632004, India. Electronic Address: vbalaji@cmcvellore.ac.in. PURPOSE: To investigate the epidemiology of invasive pneumococcal disease (IPD), prevalent serotypes, and pattern of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) in Indian adults. METHODS: Prospective laboratory based surveillance of IPD was carried out in >18 years age group between January 2007 and July 2017, from a tertiary care hospital in South India. All Streptococcus pneumoniae culture positives from blood, CSF and sterile body fluids were characterized to identify the serotypes and AMR. RESULTS: A total of 408 IPD cases were characterized in this study. The overall case fatality rate in this study was 17.8% (95% confidence interval (CI): 14.1, 22.4). Pneumonia (39%), meningitis (24.3%), and septicaemia (18.4%) were the most common clinical conditions associated with IPD. Serotypes 1, 3, 5, 19F, 8, 14, 23F, 4, 19A and 6B were the predominant serotypes in this study. Penicillin non-susceptibility was low with 6.4% CONCLUSION: Serotype data from this study helped in accurate estimation of pneumococcal conjugate vaccine-13 and pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine-23 protective coverage against serotypes causing IPD in India as 58.7% (95% CI: 53.8, 63.4) and 67.4% (95% CI: 62.7, 71.8) respectively. Penicillin non-susceptibility in meningeal IPD cases is 27.4%. Empirical therapy for meningeal IPD must be cephalosporin in combination with vancomycin since cefotaxime non-susceptibility in meningeal IPD is 9.9.				
189.	Jayaraman, S., Singh, B. P., Ramanathan, B., Pazhaniappan Pillai, M., Macdonald, L. and Kirubakaran, R. Final-impression techniques and materials for making complete and removable partial dentures Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews; 2018, 2018 (4): Author Information: Cochrane South Asia, Prof. BV Moses Center for Evidence-Informed Health Care and Health Policy, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. King George's Medical University, Lucknow, India. Balendra Pratap Singh received salary, IT, library support and travel support to attend "Protocol Development Workshop" at CMC,	INT	JAN TO JUNE	COCHRANE SOUTH ASIA	WOS:000431105500005 SCOPUS

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	Background: Edentulism is relatively common and is often treated				
	with the provision of complete or partial removable dentures.				
	Clinicians make final impressions of complete dentures (CD) and				
	removable partial dentures (RPD) using different techniques and				
	materials. Applying the correct impression technique and material,				
	based on an individual's oral condition, improves the quality of the				
	prosthesis, which may improve quality of life. Objectives: To assess				
	the effects of different final-impression techniques and materials				
	used to make complete dentures, for retention, stability, comfort,				
	and quality of life in completely edentulous people. To assess the				
	effects of different final-impression techniques and materials used to make removable partial dentures, for stability, comfort,				
	overextension, and quality of life in partially edentulous people.				
	Search methods: Cochrane Oral Health's Information Specialist				
	searched the following databases: Cochrane Oral Health's Trials				
	Register (to 22 November 2017), the Cochrane Central Register of				
	Controlled Trials (CENTRAL) (Cochrane Register of Studies, to 22				
	November 2017), MEDLINE Ovid (1946 to 22 November 2017), and				
	Embase Ovid (21 December 2015 to 22 November 2017). The US				
	National Institutes of Health Trials Registry (ClinicalTrials.gov) and				
	the World Health Organization International Clinical Trials Registry				
	Platform were searched for ongoing trials. No restrictions were				
	placed on language or publication status when searching the				
	electronic databases, however the search of Embase was restricted				
	by date due to the Cochrane Centralised Search Project to identify				
	all clinical trials and add them to CENTRAL. Selection criteria: We				
	included randomised controlled trials (RCTs) comparing different				
	final-impression techniques and materials for treating people with				
	complete dentures (CD) and removable partial dentures (RPD). For				
	CD, we included trials that compared different materials or different				
	techniques or both. In RPD for tooth-supported conditions, we				
	included trials comparing the same material and different				
	techniques, or different materials and the same technique. In tooth-				
	and tissue-supported RPD, we included trials comparing the same				
	material and different dual-impression techniques, and different materials with different dual-impression techniques. Data collection				
	and analysis: Two review authors independently, and in duplicate,				
	screened studies for eligibility, extracted data, and assessed the				
	risk of bias for each included trial. We expressed results as risk				
	ratios (RR) for dichotomous outcomes, and as mean differences				
	(MD) or standardised mean differences (SMD) for continuous				
	outcomes, with 95% confidence intervals (CI), using the				

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	random-effects model. We constructed 'Summary of findings' tables	1141			
	for the main comparisons and outcomes (participant-reported oral				
	health-related quality of life, quality of the denture, and denture				
	border adjustments). Main results: We included nine studies in this				
	review. Eight studies involved 485 participants with CD. We				
	assessed six of the studies to be at high risk of bias, and two to be				
	at low risk of bias. We judged one study on RPD with 72 randomised				
	participants to be at high risk of bias. Overall, the quality of the				
	evidence for each comparison and outcome was either low or very				
	low, therefore, results should be interpreted with caution, as future				
	research is likely to change the findings. Complete dentures Two				
	studies compared the same material and different techniques (one				
	study contributed data to a secondary outcome only); two studies				
	compared the same technique and different materials; and four				
	studies compared different materials and techniques. One study (10				
	participants) evaluated two stage-two step, Biofunctional Prosthetic				
	system (BPS) using additional silicone elastomer compared to				
	conventional methods, and found no evidence of a clear difference				
	for oral health-related quality of life, or quality of the dentures				
	(denture satisfaction). The study reported that BPS required fewer				
	adjustments. We assessed the quality of he evidence as very low.				
	One study (27 participants) compared selective pressure				
	final-impression technique using wax versus polysulfide elastomeric				
	(rubber) material. The study did not measure quality of life or				
	dentures, and found no evidence of a clear difference between				
	interventions in the need for adjustments (RR 0.81, 95% CI 0.38 to				
	1.70). We assessed the quality of the evidence as very low. One				
	study compared two stage-two step final impression with alginate				
	versus silicone elastomer. Oral health-related quality of life measured by the OHIP-EDENT seemed to be better with silicone				
	(MD 7.20, 95% CI 2.71 to 11.69; 144 participants). The study found				
	no clear differences in participant-reported quality of the denture				
	(comfort) after a two-week 'confirmation' period, but reported that				
	silicone was better for stability and chewing efficiency. We assessed				
	the quality of the evidence as low. Three studies compared				
	single-stage impressions with alginate versus two stage-two step				
	with elastomer (silicone, polysulfide, or polyether) impressions.				
	There was no evidence of a clear difference in the OHIP-EDENT at				
	one month (MD 0.05, 95% CI -2.37 to 2.47; two studies, 98				
	participants). There was no evidence of a clear difference in				
1	participant-rated general satisfaction with dentures at six months				
	(MD 0.00, 95% CI -8.23 to 8.23; one study, 105 participants). We				
	assessed the quality of the evidence as very low. One study				
	compared single-stage alginate versus two stage-two step using				
	zinc-oxide eugenol, and found no evidence of a clear difference in				
	OHIP-EDENT (MD 0.50, 95% CI -2.67 to 3.67; 39 participants), or				
	general satisfaction (RR 3.15, 95% CI 0.14 to 72.88; 39				

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	participants) at six months. We assessed the quality of the evidence as very low. Removable partial dentures One study randomised 72 participants and compared altered-cast technique versus one-piece cast technique. The study did not measure quality of life, but reported that most participants were satisfied with the dentures and there was no evidence of any clear difference between groups for general satisfaction at one-year follow-up (low-quality evidence). There was no evidence of a clear difference in number of intaglio adjustments at one year (RR 1.43, 95% CI 0.61 to 3.34) (very low-quality evidence). Authors' conclusions: We conclude that there is no clear evidence that one technique or material has a substantial advantage over another for making complete dentures and removable partial dentures. Available evidence for the relative benefits of different denture fabrication techniques and final-impression materials is limited and is of low or very low quality. More high-quality RCTs are required. © 2018 The Cochrane Collaboration.				
190.	Jayaraman, Y., Mehendale, S., Jayaraman, R., Varghese, R., Chethrapilly Purushothaman, G. K., Rajkumar, P., Sukumar, B., Pillai, R. K., Mohan, G., Radhakrishnan, D. N., Sridharan, S., Babu, N., Ganesapillai, M., Rao, S. P., Kar, S. K., Manchanda, V., Kanga, A., Verghese, V. P. and Veeraraghavan, B. Immunochromatography in CSF improves data on surveillance of S. pneumoniae meningitis in India J Infect Public Health; 2018, 11 (5): 735-738 Address: ICMR, National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of pediatrics, Government Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India. Department of pediatrics, Government Medical College, Alapuzha, Kerala, India. Department of Microbiology, Institute of Child Health and Hospital for Children, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Pediatrics, Stanley Medical College, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Pediatrics, Kilpauk Medical College, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Paediatrics, Madurai Medical College, Madurai, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Microbiology, Kasturba Medical College & Hospital, Manipal, Karnataka, India. Regional Medical Research Centre, Bhubaneswar, India. Department of Microbiology, Chacha Nehru Bal Chikitsalaya Hospital, New Delhi, India.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY, CHILD HEALTH	PMID:29606535 WOS:000442781000025 SCOPUS

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	Department of Microbiology, Indira Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Shimla, India. Department of Child Health, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Electronic Address: vbalaji@cmcvellore.ac.in. INTRODUCTION: Streptococcus pneumoniae is a significant cause of childhood bacterial meningitis in India. The United States Food and Drug Administration has licensed an immunochromatographic (ICT) test, Binax((R))NOW, to detect the C polysaccharide antigen of S. pneumoniae in cerebrospinal fluids (CSF). Accurate etiological diagnosis of bacterial meningitis in India is essential for effective treatment strategies and preventive interventions. MATERIALS AND METHODS: CSF samples from 2081 children admitted, with clinically suspected bacterial meningitis at 11 sentinel sites of hospital based sentinel surveillance network for bacterial meningitis in India between September 2009 and December 2016 were tested with ICT. Concurrent CSF cultures were processed using standard procedures. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION: S. pneumoniae was detected thrice the number of times by ICT than by CSF culture, with a sensitivity and specificity of 100% and 95.3% respectively. This rapid ICT test proves to be of immense use as a diagnostic test for meningitis patients with/without prior antibiotic treatment, especially in facilities with limited laboratory infrastructure in resource limited settings.				
191.	Jayaraman, Y., Veeraraghavan, B., Chethrapilly Purushothaman, G. K., Sukumar, B., Kangusamy, B., Nair Kapoor, A., Gupta, N. and Mehendale, S. M. Burden of bacterial meningitis in India: Preliminary data from a hospital based sentinel surveillance network PLoS One; 2018, 13 (5): e0197198 Address: ICMR-National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India. Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi, India. BACKGROUND: Worldwide, acute bacterial meningitis is a major cause of high morbidity and mortality among under five children, particularly in settings where vaccination for H. influenzae type b, S. pneumoniae and N. meningitidis is yet to be introduced in the national immunization programs. Estimation of disease burden of bacterial meningitis associated with these pathogens can guide the policy makers to consider inclusion of these newer vaccines in the immunization programs. A network of hospital based sentinel surveillance was established to generate baseline data on the burden of bacterial meningitis among children aged less than 5	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY	PMI D:29768458 PMC I D:5955554 WOS:000432329200066 SCOPUS

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	years in India and to provide a platform for impact assessment following introduction of the Pentavalent and Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccines (PCV). METHODS: During surveillance carried out in select hospitals across India in 2012-2013, information regarding demographics, immunization history, clinical history, treatment details and laboratory investigations viz. CSF biochemistry, culture, latex agglutination and PCR was collected from children aged 1 to 59 months admitted with suspected bacterial meningitis. RESULTS: A total of 3104 suspected meningitis cases were enrolled from 19,670 children admitted with fever at the surveillance hospitals. Of these, 257 cases were confirmed as cases of meningitis. They were due to S. pneumoniae (82.9%), H. influenzae type b (14.4%) and N. meningitidis (2.7%). Highest prevalence (55.3%) was observed among children 1 to 11 months. Antimicrobial susceptibility testing revealed considerable resistance among S. pneumoniae isolates against commonly used antibiotics such as cotrimoxazole, erythromycin, penicillin, and cefotaxime. More commonly prevalent serotypes of S. pneumoniae in circulation included 6B, 14, 6A and 19F. More than 90% of serotypes identified were covered by Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine 13. CONCLUSIONS: We observed that S. pneumoniae was the commonest cause of bacterial meningitis in hospitalized children under five years of age in India. Continued surveillance is expected to provide valuable information and trends in future, to take an informed decision on introduction of pneumococcal vaccination in Universal Immunization Programme in India and will also eventually help in post-vaccination impact evaluation.				
192.	Jayasimha, S. Apalutamide: A novel therapy for non metastatic castration-resistant carcinoma prostate Indian J Urol; 2018, 34 (4): 305-306 Address: Department of Urology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	UROLOGY	PMID:30337791 PMC ID:6174721 SCOPUS
193.	Jeba, J., Atreya, S., Chakraborty, S., Pease, N., Thyle, A., Ganesh, A., Palat, G., Matthew, L., Anbarasi, S., Kumar, R., Muckaden, M. A., Barnard, A., Leng, M., Munday, D. and Murray, S. A. Joint position statement Indian Association of Palliative Care and Academy of Family Physicians of India - The way forward for developing community-based palliative care program throughout India: Policy, education, and service delivery considerations J Family Med Prim Care; 2018, 7 (2): 291-302 Address: Department of Medical Oncology, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, India. Department of Palliative Care and Psycho-oncology, Tata Medical Center, Kolkata, West Bengal, India.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	MEDICAL ONCOLOGY, DISTANCE EDUCATION	PMID:30090767 PMC ID:6060921

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	Purpose: This joint position statement, by the Indian Association of				
	Palliative Care (IAPC) and Academy of Family Physicians of India				
	(AFPI), proposes to address gaps in palliative care provision in the				
	country by developing a community-based palliative care model				
	that will empower primary care physicians to provide basic palliative				
	care. Evidence: India ranks very poorly, 67th of 80 countries in the				
	quality of death index. Two-thirds of patients who die need palliative				
	care and many such patients spend the last hours of life in the				
	Intensive care unit. The Indian National Health Policy (NHP) 2017				
	and other international bodies endorse palliative care as an				
	essential health-care service component. NHP 2017 also				
	recommends development of distance and continuing education				
	options for general practitioners to upgrade their skills to provide				
	timely interventions and avoid unnecessary referrals. Methods: A				
	taskforce was formed with Indian and International expertise in				
	palliative care and family medicine to develop this paper including				
	an open conference at the IAPC conference 2017, agreement of a				
	formal liaison between IAPC and AFPI and wide consultation leading				
	to the development of this position paper aimed at supporting				
	integration, networking, and joint working between palliative care				
	specialists and generalists. The WHO model of taking a public health				
	approach to palliative care was used as a framework for potential				
	developments; policy support, education and training, service				
	development, and availability of appropriate medicines.				
	Recommendations: This taskforce recommends the following (1)				

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	Palliative care should be integrated into all levels of care including primary care with clear referral pathways, networking between palliative care specialist centers and family medicine physicians and generalists in community settings, to support education and clinical services. (2) Implement the recommendations of NHP 2017 to develop services and training programs for upskilling of primary care doctors in public and private sector. (3) Include palliative care as a mandatory component in the undergraduate (MBBS) and postgraduate curriculum of family physicians. (4) Improve access to necessary medications in urban and rural areas. (5) Provide relevant in-service training and support for palliative care to all levels of service providers including primary care and community	INT			
	staff. (6) Generate public awareness about palliative care and empower the community to identify those with chronic disease and provide support for those choosing to die at home.				
194.	Jeba, J., Cherian, R. M., Thangakunam, B., George, R. and Visalakshi, J. Prognostic Factors of Malignant Pleural Effusion among Palliative Care Outpatients: A Retrospective Study Indian J Palliat Care; 2018, 24 (2): 184-188 Address: Department of Medical Oncology, Christian Medical College Hospital, Alleppey, Kerala, India. Department of Radiation Oncology, Prathyasa Cancer Hospital, Alleppey, Kerala, India. Department of Pulmonary Medicine, Palliative Care Unit, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Radiotherapy, Palliative Care Unit, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Malignant pleural effusion (MPE) has varied survival and indicates advanced disease. LENT prognostic score is the first validated score used for MPE. This study assessed the role of LENT among palliative care cancer patients and assessed different patient, tumor, and treatment related factors that may affect survival. Methods: A retrospective study of advanced cancer patients with MPE, seen in palliative care outpatient clinic (2013-2015) until death, was done. LENT prognostic score could be calculated in 15 patients. Patient, tumor, and treatment related factors that affect survival were assessed. Results: The study included 48 patients (70.8% female; 29.2% male) with a median age of 53 years. Lung (41.7%) was the most common primary, and adenocarcinoma (44.7%) was the most common histology. The median overall survival (OS) was 14.5 months (interquartile range [IQR]: 5.25-32.75) and median survival time (ST) was 3 months (IQR: 1-7.75). ST was significantly low with poor Eastern	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	MEDICAL ONCOLOGY, PULMONARY MEDICINE, PALLIATIVE CARE UNIT, BIOSTATISTICS, RADIOTHERAPY	PMID:29736123 PMC ID:5915887 SCOPUS

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	Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) performance status (P = 0.002), bilateral effusion (P < 0.001), and with no oncological treatment after MPE diagnosis (P < 0.001). OS and ST were significantly low with lung primary (P = 0.006 and 0.02, respectively). Age, gender, breathlessness, tumor histology, lung metastasis, and interventions for MPE did not significantly affect survival. The median ST in the moderate and high risk LENT groups was 6 and 3 months, respectively (P = 0.16). Conclusion: ECOG performance status, bilateral effusion, and no oncological treatment after diagnosis of MPE were associated with poor ST. Lung primary was associated with shorter OS and ST. Small numbers precluded any definitive conclusion on the prognostic value of LENT in our group of patients, and hence larger studies are recommended.				
195.	Jeyakumar, A. K. and Segaran, F. Prevalence and risk factors of low back pain and disability index among operating room nurses Journal of Perioperative Nursing; 2018, 31 (3): 21-24	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NURSING	SCOPUS
196.	Jha, U. M., Dhingra, N., Raj, Y., Rewari, B. B., Jeyaseelan, L., Harvey, P., Chavan, L., Saggurti, N. and Dc, S. Reddy Survival of Children Living with Human Immunodeficiency Virus on Antiretroviral Therapy in Andhra Pradesh, India Indian Pediatr; 2018, 55 (4): 301-305 Address: National AIDS Control Organization, New Delhi, India. Correspondence to: Ugra Mohan Jha, National AIDS Control Organization, New Delhi, India. ugramohan@gmail.com. National AIDS Control Organization, New Delhi, India. Independent consultants, New Delhi, India. Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Global Health-India, New Delhi, India. World Health Organization, New Delhi, India. Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, New Delhi; India. OBJECTIVE: To assess the survival probability and associated factors among children living with human immunodeficiency virus (CLHIV) receiving antiretroviral therapy (ART) in India. METHODS: The data on 5874 children (55% boys) from one of the high HIV burden states of India from the cohort were analyzed. Data were extracted from the computerized management information system of the National AIDS Control Organization (NACO). Children were eligible for inclusion if they had started ART during 2007-2013, and had at least one potential follow-up. Kaplan Meier survival and Cox proportional hazards models were used to measure survival probability. RESULTS: The baseline median (IQR) CD4 count at the start of antiretroviral therapy was 244 (153, 398). Overall, the mortality was 30 per 1000 child years; 39 in the <5 year age group	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:29428912 WOS:000431271400006

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407	and 25 in 5-9 year age group. Mortality was highest among infants (86 per 1000 child years). Those with CD4 count = 200 were six times more likely to die (adjusted HR: 6.3, 95% CI 3.5, 11.4) as compared to those with a CD4 count of /=350/mm3. CONCLUSION: Mortality rates among CLHIV is significantly higher among children less than five years when the CD4 count at the start of ART is above 200. Additionally, lower CD4 count, HIV clinical staging IV, and lack of functional status seems to be associated with high mortality in children who are on ART.				
197.	Jiwanmall, S. A., Kattula, D., Nandyal, M. B., Devika, S., Kapoor, N., Joseph, M., Paravathareddy, S., Shetty, S., Paul, T. V., Rajaratnam, S., Thomas, N., Abraham, V. and Samarasam, I. Psychiatric Burden in the Morbidly Obese in Multidisciplinary Bariatric Clinic in South India Indian J Psychol Med; 2018, 40 (2): 129-133 Address: Department of Psychiatry, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Epidemiology, ICMR-National Institute for Research in Environmental Health, Madhya Pradesh, India. Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Non Communicable Diseases Unit, Melbourne School of Population and Global Health, University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia. Department of Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Obesity is a global epidemic. Bariatric surgery is being considered as the treatment of choice in morbid obesity. Psychiatric comorbidity affects outcomes in this population. There is a dearth of data on psychiatric profile of the morbidly obese from Indian subcontinent. We studied people with morbid obesity to estimate the psychiatric burden among them and to identify factors associated for developing psychiatric disorders. Methodology: This is a cross-sectional study done in a bariatric clinic of a tertiary care teaching hospital in South India. Sixty morbidly obese patients were evaluated by psychiatrists and data from medical records were collected and analyzed. Prevalence of psychiatric disorders was estimated. They were compared with patients without psychiatric disorders using appropriate statistical tests. Results: Nearly 33.33% of the patients had a psychiatric disorder. Depression and dysthymia accounted for about half of those cases. The variables that were associated with psychiatric disorder is suggestive of high comorbidity. Considering this active involvement of psychiatrists in bariatric clinic would be useful.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PSYCHIATRY, SURGERY	PMI D: 29962568 PMC I D: 6009005 SCOPUS

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198.	Job, A., Naina, P., Syed, K. A., Thomas, M., John, M. and Varghese, A. M. Validation of a drooling questionnaire in Indian children with cerebral palsy Int J Pediatr Otorhinolaryngol; 2018, 112 55-60 Address: -Department of ENT, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632004, IndiaDepartment of ENT, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632004, IndiaDepartment of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632004, India. BACKGROUND: Drooling of saliva is a common problem in children with cerebral palsy. In addition to causing impairment in articulation, drooling also affects socialization, interpersonal relationships and integration into society for these children. There are various methods to assess drooling which measure directly the amount of saliva drooled. However the most convenient and popular method is the use of questionnaires which are mostly western based and need slight modification for the Indian scenario Aim-Validation of a modified questionnaire for the assessment of drooling in children with cerebral palsy. METHOD: The modified questionnaire was administered to parents of children with cerebral palsy willing to participate in the study. The drooling score was compared with objective tests, namely cotton pad test and drooling quotient. Internal consistency was assessed using the Cronbach's alpha, test retest reliability by Intraclass Correlation and sensitivity analysis by the Receiver operating characteristic curve. RESULTS: The modified questionnaire was found to be easy to administer. The Cronbach's alpha coefficient was between 0.867 and 0.879 which implies a high degree on internal consistency. The intraclass correlation and the test retest reliability was found to be statistically significant with a p value<0.001 which show that the questionnaire was highly reliable for repeat administration as well as administration by different investigators. The ROC Area was found to be 0.94 with a standard error of 0.02 with a 95% confidence interval of 0.88-0.99, which suggests that th	INT	JAN TO JUNE	ENT, NEUROLOGICAL SCIENCES,	PMID:30055740 WOS:000441493000010 SCOPUS
199.	John, H. B., Padankatti, S. M., Kuruvilla, K. A., Rebekah, G. and	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEONATOLOGY,	SCOPUS
	Rajapandian, E.			OCCUPATIONAL	

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	Effectiveness of oral motor stimulation administered by mothers of preterm infants- A pilot study Journal of Neonatal Nursing; 2018, 24 (5): 261-265 Address: Department of Neonatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India Department of Occupational Therapy, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India Objective: The study evaluated the effectiveness of teaching mothers of very preterm infants, an oral motor stimulation protocol. Design: Single blinded randomized controlled trial. Participants: Twenty one mothers of very premature infants (<32 weeks) were randomly allocated to the intervention (n = 10) and control groups (n = 11). Methods: Mothers in the intervention group were trained to administer an oral motor stimulation program for their infant. In the control group the intervention was administered by the therapist. The outcome measures and neonatal breastfeeding behaviors were recorded and assessed by a blinded observer. Results: The behavioral state at the start of breastfeeding, the quiet alert state, was significantly better in the intervention group. Outcomes such as length of hospitalization, average weight gain per day and time to transition to complete oral feeds were not significantly different between the groups. Conclusion: As a measure of family centered care, teaching mothers to administer oral motor stimulation for their infants, improves feeding behavior. © 2018 Neonatal Nurses Association			THERAPY, BIOSTATISTICS	
200.	John, H. B., Philip, R. M., Santhanam, S., Padankatti, S. M., Sebastian, T., Balan, I. and Rajapandian, E. Activity based group therapy reduces maternal anxiety in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit - a prospective cohort study Early Hum Dev; 2018, 123 17-21 Address: Department of Neonatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Electronic Address: himajb.cmc@gmail.com. Department of Occupational Therapy, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Neonatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. BACKGROUND: A large proportion of mothers in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) experience psychological distress, which is associated with adverse infant and parenting outcomes. Interventions addressing maternal anxiety in the NICU are scarce. AIMS: To assess the effect of activity based group therapy on maternal anxiety in the NICU when compared to a control group.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEONATOLOGY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:30031995 WOS:000445986700004 SCOPUS

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	STUDY DESIGN: The study was a prospective phase lag cohort study. In Phase 1 the control group was recruited and assessed using the State-Trait Anxiety Inventory (STAI-S) once at recruitment and again 4weeks later. In phase 2, mothers were invited to take part in activity-based groups of 1h duration once a week for 4weeks. The STAI-S was administered before and after every group session. SUBJECTS: Mothers of babies admitted in the NICU who consented to participate, had a working knowledge of Tamil or English and were likely to stay for 4weeks for the treatment were included. OUTCOME MEASURES: State anxiety assessed using the STAI-S. RESULTS: Seventeen mothers each in the control and experimental groups completed the study. In the experimental group, there was a significant reduction in the post-test anxiety scores when compared to the pre-test in the first (p=0.005), third (p=0.07) and fourth (p=0.009) sessions. The post-test anxiety scores of the intervention group was significantly lower than that of the control group (p=0.009). CONCLUSION: Activity based group therapy is effective as an intervention in reducing maternal anxiety in the NICU. SUMMARY: Anxiety in mothers of infants admitted in the NICU has been associated with adverse infant and parenting outcomes. This study evaluated the feasibility and effectiveness of an activity based group intervention to reduce anxiety levels in mothers in the NICU. The study was a prospective phase lag cohort study. Anxiety levels were assessed in mothers in the control group at recruitment and then 4weeks later. In the intervention group, activity based group sessions were conducted once a week for 4weeks. State anxiety was assessed before and after every group session. In the intervention group the anxiety levels were significantly lower in the post-test, when compared to the pre-test. Also the number of mothers suffering from moderate to severe anxiety and the anxiety scores in the post-test were significantly lower in the intervention group when compared to the cont				
201.	John, H. B., Suraj, C., Padankatti, S. M., Sebastian, T. and Rajapandian, E. Nonnutritive Sucking at the Mother's Breast Facilitates Oral Feeding Skills in Premature Infants: A Pilot Study Adv Neonatal Care; 2018, Address: Departments of Neonatology (Ms John), Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (Ms Suraj), Occupational Therapy (Messrs Padankatti and Rajapandian), and Biostatistics (Ms Sebastian), Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. BACKGROUND: Premature infants have difficulties in transitioning	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:30102620

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	from gavage to breastfeeding. Targeted interventions to support breastfeeding in premature infants in the neonatal intensive care unit are scarce. PURPOSE: This pilot study evaluates the effectiveness of nonnutritive sucking at the mother's breast in premature infants to facilitate breastfeeding performance and exclusive breastfeeding. METHODS: The study design constituted a single-blinded randomized control trial, with 9 participants randomly allocated into experimental (n = 4) and control (n = 5) groups. The intervention, nonnutritive sucking at the mother's breast thrice a day for 5 minutes, till nutritive breastfeeding was started, was done in addition to standard care, which was nonnutritive sucking on a finger during gavage feeds. The control group received only standard care. Nonnutritive sucking was assessed using "Stages of Nonnutritive Sucking Scale," and breastfeeding performance was assessed using the "Preterm Infant Breastfeeding Behavior Scale" by a blinded assessor unaware of the infants' allocation. RESULTS: Five infants in the control arm and 4 in the intervention arm completed the study. The infants in the intervention group showed faster transition to mature stages of nonnutritive sucking (P = .06) than those in the control group. There was no difference in the rates of exclusive breastfeeding at 6 months in the intervention and control groups. IMPLICATIONS FOR PRACTICE: Early initiation of nonnutritive sucking at the mother's breast in very preterm infants is a safe and effective intervention to facilitate maturation of oral feeding and breastfeeding behavior. IMPLICATIONS FOR RESEARCH: Nonnutritive sucking at the mother's breast can be explored as an intervention, with a larger sample, to facilitate exclusive breastfeeding and to establish intervention fidelity.				
202.	John, J., Bavdekar, A., Rongsen-Chandola, T., Dutta, S. and Kang, G. Estimating the incidence of enteric fever in children in India: a multi-site, active fever surveillance of pediatric cohorts Bmc Public Health; 2018, 18 (1): 594 Address: Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. KEM Hospital and Research Centre, Pune, India. Society for Applied Studies, New Delhi, India. National Institute for Cholera and Enteric Diseases, Kolkata, India. Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. gkang@cmcvellore.ac.in. BACKGROUND: Salmonella Typhi is responsible for about 20 million episodes of illness and over 140,000 deaths annually globally. South Asia has the highest documented burden of typhoid and is home to the multi-drug resistant H58 strain that makes treatment more challenging. The WHO recommends the use of Typhoid Conjugate Vaccines in typhoid endemic countries. Decisions on the	INT	JAN TO JUNE	WELLCOME RESEARCH UNIT	PMID:29724223 PMC ID:5934828 WOS:000431863200007

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	preferred immunization strategy should be based on an analysis of disease burden, availability, affordability, and operational feasibility. Typhoid vaccines have so far remained unimplemented as public health measures because of a perceived decline in typhoid burden in recent years. The apparent decline, based on hospital reports, may be a result of rampant antimicrobial use in the community and therefore estimation of disease incidence at the community is necessary to better measure disease incidence and transmission. METHODS: Age-specific incidence of typhoid fever in children between 6 months and 15 years will be estimated in four community based cohorts in varied settings across India using standardized protocols for active fever surveillance in the community. Data will be collected on secured cloud infrastructure using a combination of android and web-based real-time data collection tools. Blood cultures will be done for children with fever lasting 3 or more consecutive days using automated blood culture systems. Those with blood-culture confirmed typhoid fever will be followed up till 90 days to estimate costs and clinical outcomes of the illness episodes. Environmental factors, access to safe water, sanitation, hygiene, food hygiene, demography, population density and socioeconomic status will be assessed periodically to characterise risk factors and permit extrapolation of burden to similar risk settings. DISCUSSION: With the availability of licensed typhoid conjugated vaccines in India, it is important to consider whether the burden of disease is present and sufficient to require the use of vaccine in addition to other interventions. Active case finding in the community permits the detection of cases that would be missed in facility-based surveillance systems. Understanding the age distribution, burden, cost-of-illness and transmission of disease is essential to plan interventions and predict their potential impact. TRIAL REGISTRATION: The surveillance has been prospectively registered in the Clinical				
203.	John, K., Gunasekaran, K., Kodiatte, T. A. and Iyyadurai, R. Cutaneous botryomycosis of the foot: A case report and review of literature Indian J Med Microbiol; 2018, 36 (3): 447-449 Address: Department of Medicine Unit V, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of General Pathology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Botryomycosis is a chronic bacterial infection that manifests clinically as tumours or plaques that are often ulcerated and have discharging sinuses draining small white-coloured granules. Therefore, they closely mimic mycetoma or other fungal infections. It is most commonly caused by Staphylococcus aureus. It can	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	MEDICINE UNIT V, GENERAL PATHOLOGY	PMID :30429406

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	present as cutaneous or visceral disease. The cutaneous form can invade deep tissue leading to extensive destruction and				
	disfigurement. A 31-year-old female presented with progressive				
	swelling of her right foot over a period of 8 years. She had a				
	disfigured right foot with multiple sinuses discharging pus. X-ray				
	and magnetic resonance imaging of the foot showed invasion and				
	destruction of the deep layers of the foot including the bone. Deep				
	biopsy from the foot showed an abscess cavity with Gram-positive				
	cocci within and bacterial culture grew S. aureus establishing the				
	diagnosis of botryomycosis. Botryomycosis is a rare presentation of				
	a common pathogen and needs to be considered while evaluating a chronic invasive subcutaneous infection.				
	Chilothic invasive subcutaneous infection.				
204.	John, R., Kurian, J. J., Sen, S., Gupta, M. K., Jehangir, S., Mathew,	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PAEDIATRIC	PMID :30017606
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	Clinical outcomes of children with Wilms tumor treated on a SIOP			PAEDIATRIC SURGERY	
	WT 2001 protocol in a tertiary care hospital in south India				
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	INTRODUCTION: Wilms tumor is the most common pediatric renal				
	malignancy. While developed countries have had excellent survival,				
	it remains poorer by comparison in developing countries. The aim				
	was to analyze the clinical outcome of children with Wilms tumor				
	managed in a developing country from 2004 to 2014 by the SIOP				
	WT 2001 protocol. METHODS: Fifty-nine children with Wilms tumor				
	managed by a SIOP WT 2001 regimen from 2004 to 2014 were				
	analyzed. RESULTS: The median age at presentation was 36				
	months, and 59% were boys. The average size of the tumor at presentation was 523 mL. Inferior vena cava thrombus was present				
	in 11, distant metastases in 18, and bilateral tumors in six.				
	Preoperative chemotherapy was given to all children after a				
	diagnostic core needle biopsy. Preoperative chemotherapy reduced				
	the tumor size to a mean of 208 mL and resolved venacaval				
	thrombus in eight. Fifty-five children underwent definitive surgery				
	while two children died during preoperative chemotherapy and two				
	remained inoperable. All surviving children received adjuvant				
	chemotherapy with 17 receiving radiotherapy as well. The overall				
	survival (OS) was 80% and the event-free survival (EFS) was 73%				
	after a mean follow up of 42 months after completion of therapy. DISCUSSION: The tumor volumes at presentation and the incidence				
	of venous tumor thrombosis in our cohort were much higher than				
	those reported from developed countries. The incidence of				

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	metastatic disease at diagnosis (30.5%) was significantly higher than the 10-12% reported in Western data, but similar to that reported from various developing countries (14.1-31%). The OS in our cohort was 80% and the EFS was 73% with there being no events after 28 months. Although the survival rate for localized disease is similar to that in developed countries, the OS for metastatic disease was significantly less (50% vs. 75%). We also found that using an upfront posterior flank core biopsy was safe and beneficial for differentiating Wilms tumor from other pediatric renal tumors that are less chemosensitive. CONCLUSION: In a resource-restricted environment such as ours, the SIOP WT 2001 protocol has been found to show excellent results.				
205.	John, T. J. Neonatal Chikungunya: Spotlight on Gaps in Public Health Indian Pediatr; 2018, 55 (8): 659-660 Address: Former Professor of Clinical Virology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. tjacobjohn@yahoo.co.in.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL VIROLOGY	PMID:30218510 SCOPUS WOS:000442246600028
206.	John, T. J. World immunization week 2018: What lessons for India? Indian J Med Res; 2018, 147 (4): 330-333 Address: Formerly at Department of Clinical Virology & Microbiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632 004, Tamil Nadu, India.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL VIROLOGY	PMI D:29998866 PMC I D:6057261 WOS:000439219400002
207.	Jonathan, G. E., Sarkar, S., Singh, G., Mani, S., Thomas, R. and Chacko, A. G. A randomized controlled trial to determine the role of intraoperative lumbar cerebrospinal fluid drainage in patients undergoing endoscopic transsphenoidal surgery for pituitary adenomas Neurol India; 2018, 66 (1): 133-138 Address: Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Anesthesia, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Radiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Otolaryngology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. BACKGROUND: Intraoperative cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) leaks are a frequent cause of morbidity in patients undergoing transsphenoidal surgery. This prospective study was performed to examine the impact of intraoperative lumbar subarachnoid drainage (LSAD) on the incidence of this complication and on the extent of resection in patients undergoing endoscopic transsphenoidal surgery for pituitary adenomas. MATERIALS AND METHODS: This prospective	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROLOGICAL SCIENES, ANESTHESIA, RADIOLOGY, OTOLARYNGOLOGY	PMID:29322972 WOS:000423136200027

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	study was conducted in a single large academic medical center. All patients with pituitary adenomas who had not undergone prior transsphenoidal surgery were eligible for inclusion in the study. Patients were randomly assigned to undergo transsphenoidal surgery with intraoperative lumbar drain insertion (LSAD group) or no lumbar drain insertion (no LSAD group). An otolaryngologist independently determined the occurrence of an intraoperative CSF leak. Extent of tumor resection was determined by volumetric analysis of postoperative magnetic resonance images in patients with nonfunctional tumors or functional adenomas with a large suprasellar component. RESULTS: Sixty patients were eligible for inclusion, of which 30 were assigned to the LSAD group eligible for inclusion, of which 30 were assigned to the LSAD group gradiology between the two groups. There were no statistically significant differences in patients in the LSAD group. Intraoperative CSF drainage significantly reduced the incidence of CSF leak from 46.7% in the no LSAD group to 3.3% in the LSAD group (P < 0.001). However, there were no statistically significant differences in the incidence of postoperative CSF rhinorrhea between the two groups. There were no major catheter-related complications. There was no statistically significant difference in the extent of resection between the two groups. CONCLUSIONS: Controlled intraoperative CSF drainage significantly reduces the incidence of intraoperative CSF leakage in patients undergoing endoscopic transsphenoidal surgery for pituitary adenomas.				
208.	Jose, R. Behind the Mask Anesthesiology; 2018, 129 (3): 609-610 Address: From Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. riyamithun@gmail.com	INT	JAN TO JUNE	ANAESTHESIA	PMID:29620568 WOS:000441864900033
209.	Jose, T. M., Priya, A. and Bhaskar, A. The effect of gymnema sylvestre on taste sensation Biomedicine (India); 2018, 38 (1): 66-69 Introduction and Aim: The effect of Gymnema sylvestre tea (Gymnema tea) on the perceptions of different taste sensations mediated through G protein-coupled receptors (sweet and bitter) and non-G protein-coupled receptors and ion channels (umami, salt and sour) were studied. Materials and Methods: After ethical clearance and informed consent, the appreciation of the five basic taste sensations were elicited on a scale from 0 to 10 on 32 adult healthy volunteers before and after rinsing the mouth with Gymnema tea through the application of vinegar, monosodium glutamate (Aginomoto), honey, artificial sweetener sucralose and paracetamol solutions on the tongue. The pre and post ratings were	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PHYSIOLOGY	SCOPUS

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	compared by paired t-test and a p-value less than 0.05 was considered significant. Results: There was a significant reduction in the rating for sweet sensation after rinsing the mouth with Gymnema tea on the application of honey and sucralose respectively. There was a significant increase in the rating for bitter sensation with honey after Gymnema tea. There was also a significant decrease in the salt sensation of monosodium glutamate after Gymnema tea. Conclusion: Gymnema tea had a profound effect on the sweet sensation. It also had effects on the perception of bitter and salt sensation. © 2018 Indian Association of Biomedical Scientists. All rights reserved.				
210.	Joshi, A., Kumar, M. and Acharya, A. Bilateral congenital eventration of diaphragm: keep in mind, the other side BMJ Case Rep; 2018, 2018 Address: Department of Neonatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Eventration of diaphragm is an uncommon disorder in which diaphragmatic muscle is replaced by fibroelastic tissue, either partially or completely. Bilateral eventration is even rarer. We present a case of bilateral eventration of diaphragm in newborn with a fibroelastic sac on left side and diaphragmatic eventration with good muscular lips on right side. The right-sided diaphragmatic eventration was not evident initially, but manifested after surgical repair of the left-sided eventration.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEONATOLOGY	PMI D:30317202 SCOPUS
211.	Kachroo, U., Vinod, E., Balasubramanian, S., W, J. and Prince, N. Red cell indexes made easy using an interactive animation: do students and their scores concur? Adv Physiol Educ; 2018, 42 (1): 50-55 Address: Department of Physiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Bioengineering, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. A good understanding of red cell indexes can aid medical students in a considerable manner, serving as a basis to unravel both concepts in red cell physiology and abnormalities associated with the same. In this study, we tried to assess whether an interactive animation was helpful in improving student comprehension and understanding of red cell indexes compared with conventional classroom teaching. Eighty-eight first-year MBBS students participated, of which 44 were assigned to group A and 44 were assigned to group B after randomization. After further creation of smaller groups, students were provided with 45 min to revise red cell indexes, after which they were required to complete a multimodal questionnaire. Group A subgroups used written material for revision, whereas group B	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PHYSIOLOGY, BIOENGINEERING	PMID:29341816 WOS:000423465600008 SCOPUS

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	subgroups had access to an interactive animation. After completion of the questionnaire, group A students also used the animation after which feedback was collected from all students. Efficacy of the animation to improve learning and retention was demonstrated, as group B students scored significantly higher than group A students on the questionnaire (P = 0.0003). A clear majority of the students agreed/strongly agreed that the animation was easy to operate, conveyed important concepts efficiently, and improved their knowledge of related clinical aspects as well. From the results and feedback, we found that the animation was a simple, well-received model, which, by significantly improving student performance, corroborated our hypothesis that inclusion of interactive animation into student curriculum can advance their academic attainment, compared with didactic teaching alone.				
212.	Kakarlapudi, S. R., Chacko, A., Samuel, P., Verghese, V. P. and Rose, W. Comparison of Scrub Typhus Meningitis with Acute Bacterial Meningitis and Tuberculous Meningitis Indian Pediatr; 2018, 55 (1): 35-37 Address: Departments of Paediatrics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Departments of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Departments of Paediatrics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Correspondence to: Dr. Winsley Rose, Professor, Department of Paediatrics, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632004, Tamilnadu, India. winsleyrose@cmcvellore.ac.in. OBJECTIVE: To compare scrub typhus meningitis with bacterial and tuberculous meningitis. METHODS: Children aged <15 years admitted with meningitis were screened and those who fit criteria for diagnosis of scrub typhus meningitis (n=48), bacterial meningitis (n=44) and tuberculous meningitis (n=31) were included for analysis. Clinical features, investigations and outcomes were compared between the three types of meningitis. RESULTS: Mean age, duration of fever at presentation, presence of headache and, altered sensorium and presence of hepatomegaly/splenomegaly were statistically significantly different between the groups. Scrub typhus had statistically significant thrombocytopenia, shorter hospital stay and a better neurological and mortality outcome. CONCLUSION: Sub-acute presentation of meningitis in older age group children, and good outcome is associated with scrub typhus when compared to bacterial and tuberculous meningitis.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PAEDIATRICS, BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:29396933 WOS:000427607500006 SCOPUS

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213.	Kakde, S., Alexander, S., David, V. G., Jacob, S., Mohapatra, A., Valson, A. T., Gopal, B., Jacob, C. K., Hephzibah, J., Tamilarasi, V. and Varughese, S. Relationship of Creatinine and Cystatin C-based Estimated Glomerular Filtration rates with Measured Glomerular Filtration Rate in Healthy Kidney Donors from South Asia Indian J Nephrol; 2018, 28 (5): 345-350 Address: Department of Nephrology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Nephrology, Central Northern Adelaide Renal and Transplant Service, Adelaide, Australia. Department of Nephrology, Bangalore Baptist Hospital, Bengaluru, Karnataka, India. Department of Nuclear Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Chronic Kidney Disease-Epidemiology Collaboration (CKD-EPI) equation is currently recommended for the estimation of glomerular filtration rate (GFR). This retrospective study aimed to evaluate the correlation between creatinine and cysC-based estimated GFRs and measured GFR in healthy adults. Consecutive healthy adults who were accepted as voluntary kidney donors at our center between January 2008 and December 2012 were included in the study. The 336 individuals who comprised the study population had a mean age of 41.6 +/- 11.8 years, male:female ratio 1:1.7, mean creatinine 0.9 +/- 0.1 mg/dl, and mean cysC 0.8 +/- 0.1 mg/dl. Mean measured GFR by Tc-99m diethylenetriaminepentaacetic acid using Gates method was 98.4 +/- 21.2 ml/min/1.73 m(2). The mean +/- standard deviation of eGFRs by various formulae were as follows: Cockcroft-Gault (CG) = 88.1 +/- 15.9 ml/min/1.73 m(2), CKD-EPI creatinine = 88.1 +/- 15.5 ml/min/1.73 m(2), CKD-EPI creatinine = 98.1 +/- 10.0 ml/min/1.73 m(2), CKD-EPI creatinine equation had the least bias. The CKD-EPI equation showed a higher performance than the MDRD and CG	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	NEPHROLOGY	PMI D:30270994 PMC I D:6146736 SCOPUS
214.	Kamath, M. S., Antonisamy, B., Selliah, H. Y. and Sunkara, S. K. Does transfer of multiple embryos affect perinatal outcomes of the resulting singleton live births? Analysis of 113 784 singleton live births following ART	INT	JAN TO JUNE	REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE,	WOS :000438519900067

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215.	Kamath, M. S., Mascarenhas, M., Kirubakaran, R., Nair, R. and Kulkarni, A. Use of embryo culture supernatant to improve clinical outcomes in assisted reproductive technology: a systematic review and meta-analysis Human Fertility; 2018, 21 (2): 90-97 We planned a systematic review and meta-analysis of randomized clinical trials (RCTs) to examine the best available evidence regarding the intrauterine instillation of embryo culture supernatant prior to embryo transfer in ART. The outcomes were: (i) live birth; (ii) clinical pregnancy; (iii) multiple pregnancy; and (iv) miscarriage rates. Five RCTs were considered eligible and available for qualitative synthesis. Due to clinical heterogeneity, results from only two trials were combined for the meta-analysis. The live birth rate (risk ratio [RR], 0.47; 95% confidence interval [CI] 0.22–0.98; one study, 60 participants, low-quality evidence) was found to be significantly lower with intrauterine instillation of embryo culture supernatant compared to no intervention. The clinical pregnancy rate was similar between the embryo culture supernatant group and the control group (RR 1.02 RR, 95% CI 0.77–1.36; two trials, 156 participants, I2 = 0%). To conclude, this review did not find any improvement in clinical pregnancy rate with the intrauterine instillation of embryo culture supernatant prior to embryo transfer compared to no intervention in women undergoing ART and we remain uncertain regarding its effect on live birth rate. © 2017 The British Fertility Society.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE, BIOSTATISTICS	WOS:000430717800003 SCOPUS
216.	Kamath, Mohan Shashikant, Kirubakaran, Richard, Mascarenhas, Mariano and Sunkara, Sesh Kamal Perinatal outcomes after stimulated versus natural cycle IVF: a systematic review and meta-analysis Reproductive Biomedicine Online; 2018, 36 (1): 94-101 Pregnancies resulting from assisted reproductive techniques are at higher risk of adverse perinatal outcomes compared with spontaneous conceptions. Underlying infertility and IVF procedures have been linked to adverse perinatal outcomes. It is important to know if ovarian stimulation influences perinatal outcomes after IVF. A systematic search for relevant studies was conducted up to November 2016 on the following databases: PubMed, EMBASE, DARE and Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials. Perinatal outcomes included preterm birth (PTB), low birth weight (LBW), small for gestational age (SGA), large for gestational age (LGA) and congenital anomalies. Data from four studies, which included a total	INT	JAN TO JUNE	REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE, BIOSTATISTICS	WOS:000418895700017 SCOPUS

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	of 96,996 and 704 singleton live births after stimulated IVF and natural or modified natural cycle IVF, were included in the meta-analysis. The risk of PTB (RR 1.27, 95% CI 1.03 to 1.58) and LBW (RR 1.95, 95% CI 1.03 to 3.67) were significantly higher after stimulated compared with natural or modified natural cycle IVF. Data from one study were available for SGA, LGA, congenital anomalies and no significant differences were reported between the groups. This study suggests a higher risk of PTB and LBW after stimulated IVF compared with natural or modified natural IVF, although the absolute increase in risk may be low. (C) 2017 Reproductive Healthcare Ltd. Published by Elsevier Ltd. All rights reserved.				
217.	Kandaswamy, D., M, M., Alexander, M., Prabhu, K., S, M. G. and Krothapalli, S. B. Quantitative Assessment of Hand Dysfunction in Patients with Early Parkinson's Disease and Focal Hand Dystonia J Mov Disord; 2018, 11 (1): 35-44 Address: Neurophysiology Laboratory, Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Neurology Division, Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Neurosurgery Division, Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. OBJECTIVE: Motor impairments related to hand function are common symptoms in patients with movement disorders, such as Parkinson's disease (PD) and focal hand dystonia (FHD). However, hand dysfunction has not been quantitatively assessed as a clinical tool for screening patient groups from healthy controls (HCs). The aim of our study was 1) to quantitatively assess hand dysfunction in patients with PD and FHD and its usefulness as a screening tool 2) to grade disease severity in PD and FHD based on hand dysfunction. METHODS: The current case-control study included HCs (n = 50) and patients with known history of PD (n = 25) or FHD (n = 16). Hand function was assessed by a precision grip task while participants lifted objects of 1.3 N and 1.7 N under dry skin conditions, followed by very wet skin conditions (VWSCs). Receiver operating characteristic and summative scoring analyses were performed. RESULTS: In PD, the combination of loading phase duration and lifting phase duration at quantitative cutoffs of 0.36 and 0.74 seconds identified 21/25 patients as diseased and 49/50 subjects as HCs with 1.7 N under VWSCs. In PD, 5/21 was graded as "mild" and 16/21 as "moderate cases." In FHD, slip force at a cutoff of 1.2 N identified 13/16 patients as diseased and 41/50 subjects as HC with 1.7 N under VWSCs, but disease severity could not be	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEUROPHYSIOLOGY, NEUROLOGICAL SCIENCES, OF BIOSTATISTICS	PMI D: 29316781 PMC I D: 5790625 KJD: ART002311445

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	graded. CONCLUSION: Our results demonstrate the use of precision grip task as an important clinical tool in assessment of hand dysfunction in movement disorder patients. Use of quantitative cutoffs may improve diagnostic accuracy and serve as a valuable adjunct to existing clinical assessment methods.				
218.	Kang, G. Enteric infections in low- and middle-income countries-from research to prevention and the clinic International Journal of Infectious Diseases; 2018, 73 59-60	INT	JAN TO JUNE	WELLCOME RESEARCH UNIT	WOS:000440345100126
219.	Karthik, G., Sudarsan, T. I., Peter, J. V., Sudarsanam, T., Varghese, G. M., Kundavaram, P., Sathyendra, S., Iyyadurai, R. and Pichamuthu, K. Spectrum of cardiac manifestations and its relationship to outcomes in patients admitted with scrub typhus infection World J Crit Care Med; 2018, 7 (1): 16-23 Address: Department of Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632004, India. Medical Intensive Care Unit, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632004, India. Department of Infectious Diseases, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632004, India. AIM: To study the spectrum of cardiac manifestations in scrub typhus infection and assess its relationship to outcomes. METHODS: Demographic data, electrocardiographic (ECG) changes, left ventricular (LV) systolic and diastolic function, myocardial injury (defined as troponin T > 14 pg/mL), and pericardial effusion were documented. Myocarditis was diagnosed when myocardial injury was associated with global LV systolic dysfunction. The relationship between myocarditis and outcomes was assessed using logistic regression analysis and expressed as odds ratio (OR) with 95%CI. RESULTS: The cohort (n = 81; 35 males) aged 49.4 +/- 16.1 years (mean, SD) presented 8.1 +/- 3.1 d after symptom onset. The APACHE-II score was 15.7 +/- 7.0. Forty-eight (59%) patients were ventilated, and 46 (56%) required vasoactive agents. Mortality was 9.9%. ECG changes were non-specific; sinus tachycardia was the most common finding. Myocardial injury was evident in 61.7% of patients and LV systolic dysfunction in 30.9%. A diagnosis of myocarditis was made in 12.3%. In addition, seven patients with regional wall motion abnormalities had LV systolic dysfunction and elevated cardiac enzymes. Mild diastolic dysfunction was observed in 18 (22%) patients. Mild to moderate pericardial effusion was seen in 51%. On multivariate logistic regression analysis, patients with myocarditis tended to be older (OR = 0.69, 95%CI: 0.99-1.09), had shorter symptom duration (OR = 0.69, 95%CI: 0.99-1.09), had shorter sy	INT	JAN TO JUNE	MEDICINE, MEDICAL INTENSIVE CARE UNIT, INFECTIOUS DISEASES	PMC ID:5797972

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	95%CI: 0.98-1.40). Myocarditis was not associated with increased mortality. CONCLUSION: In scrub typhus infection, cardiac manifestations are frequent and associated with increased morbidity but not mortality.				
220.	Karthikumar, B., Keshava, S. N., Moses, V., Chiramel, G. K., Ahmed, M. and Mammen, S. Percutaneous gastrostomy placement by intervention radiology: Techniques and outcome Indian J Radiol Imaging; 2018, 28 (2): 225-231 Address: Department of Radiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Interventional radiology (IR) has played an important role in the technical evolution of gastrostomy, from the first surgical, endoscopical to percutaneous interventional procedures. Aim: This study is done to assess the technical feasibility and outcome of IR-guided percutaneous gastrostomy for patients requiring nutritional support for neuromuscular disorders or head and neck malignancies, as well as to describe simplified and newer technique for pull-type gastrostomy. Materials and Methods: This is a retrospective study including 29 patients who underwent IR-guided percutaneous gastrostomy over a period of 8 years in a tertiary-level institution. Either pull or push-type gastrostomy was performed in these patients as decided by the interventional radiologist. The procedures were assessed by analyzing the indications, technical aspects, and complications. Statistical Analysis: Descriptive summary statistics and frequencies were used to assess the techniques and related complications. Results: The sample consists of 27 patients (93%) with pull technique and 2 patients (7%) with push technique. The technical success rate was 100%. Most of the complications were minor 24% (7/29), including superficial skin infections around the tube site, self-resolving pneumoperitoneum, tube-related complications such as block, leakage, deformation, and dislodgement. Three patients (10.3%) had major complications. One patient (3.4%) developed massive pneumoperitoneum and mild peritonitis due to technical failure in the first attempt and needed re-puncture for successful placement, and other two patients (6.9%) developed peristromal focal abscess. One patient died on the third postoperative day due to type II respir	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	RADIOLOGY	PMI D:30050247 PMC I D:6038225 SCOPUS
221.	Kattula, D. Emergency care in rural settings: no easy solutions Indian J Med Ethics; 2018, - (-): 1-3 Address: Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, Christian Medical College Vellore, TN 632 002 India, askdheeraj@gmail.com.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PSYCHIATRY	PMI D:30156559

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	Bawaskar and Bawaskar in their paper titled "Emergency care in rural settings: Can doctors be ethical and survive?" in this journal have presented a very real problem faced by small private healthcare facilities in rural areas. They raise the important question of whether doctors can be true to ethical principles and yet survive in the marketplace, with particular reference to emergency care. This commentary seeks to examine the problem and suggest solutions.				
222.	Kattula, D., Ravan, J. R. and Nandyal, M. B. Managing Bipolar Affective Disorder in a Tribal District of Odisha Indian J Psychol Med; 2018, 40 (3): 210-212 Address: Department of Psychiatry, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Psychiatry, Graham Staines Memorial Hospital, Baripada, Odisha, India. Department of Psychiatry, Kalinga Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhubaneshwar, Odisha, India. Background: Managing any chronic illness in marginalized communities in resource-poor settings is always a challenge. Lack of facility to monitor lithium and the common morbidity of hypokalemic periodic paralysis and chronic renal failure among tribals of northern part of Odisha pose unique challenges in managing bipolar disorder. Methodology: This is a cross-sectional study done in a district-level hospital catering to predominantly tribal population. A part of the data was collected by a psychiatrist prospectively and analyzed. Historical data were obtained from medical records. Results: Out of 18 patients who had been diagnosed of bipolar/mania, 12 had received treatment with carbamazepine in the range of 400-600 mg. All but one person showed improvement. One person developed rash and had to stop the treatment. Conclusion: Carbamazepine may be used relatively safely in resource-poor settings in high-risk groups.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PSYCHIATRY	PMID:29875526 PMC ID:5968640 SCOPUS
223.	Khatib, Mahalaqua Nazli, Shankar, Anuraj H., Kirubakaran, Richard, Gaidhane, Abhay, Gaidhane, Shilpa, Simkhada, Padam and Syed, Zahiruddin Quazi Ghrelin for the management of cachexia associated with cancer Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews; 2018, (2): Background Cancer sufferers are amongst the most malnourished of all the patient groups. Studies have shown that ghrelin, a gut hormone can be a potential therapeutic agent for cachexia (wasting syndrome) associated with cancer. A variety of mechanisms of action of ghrelin in people with cancer cachexia have been proposed. However, safety and efficacy of ghrelin for cancer-associated cachexia have not been systematically reviewed. The aim of this review was to assess whether ghrelin is associated with better food intake, body	INT	JAN TO JUNE	COCHRANE SOUTH ASIA	WOS :000426476500020

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	composition and survival than other options for adults with cancer				
	cachexia. Objectives To assess the efficacy and safety of ghrelin in				
	improving food intake, body composition and survival in people with				
	cachexia associated with cancer. Search methods We searched				
	CENTRAL, MEDLINE and Embase without language restrictions up to				
	July 2017. We also searched for ongoing studies in trials registers,				
	performed handsearching, checked bibliographic references of				
	relevant articles and contacted authors and experts in the field to				
	seek potentially relevant research. We applied no restrictions on				
	language, date, or publication status. Selection criteria We included				
	randomised controlled (parallel-group or cross-over) trials				
	comparing ghrelin (any formulation or route of administration) with				
	placebo or an active comparator in adults (aged 18 years and over)				
	who met any of the international criteria for cancer cachexia. Data				
	collection and analysis Two review authors independently assessed				
	studies for eligibility. Two review authors then extracted data and				
	assessed the risk of bias for individual studies using standard				
	Cochrane methodology. For dichotomous variables, we planned to				
	calculate risk ratio with 95% confidence intervals (CI) and for				
	continuous data, we planned to calculate mean differences (MD)				
	with 95% CI. We assessed the evidence using GRADE and created				
	'Summary of findings' tables. Main results We screened 926				
	individual references and identified three studies that satisfied the				
	inclusion criteria. Fifty-nine participants (37 men and 22 women)				
	aged between 54 and 78 years were randomised initially, 47				
	participants completed the treatment. One study had a parallel				
	design and two had a cross-over design. The studies included				
	people with a variety of cancers and also differed in the dosage,				
	route of administration, frequency and duration of treatment. One				
	trial, which compared ghrelin with placebo, found that ghrelin				
	improved food intake (very low-quality evidence) and had no				
	adverse events (very low-quality evidence). Due to unavailability of				
	data we were unable to report on comparisons for ghrelin versus no				
	treatment or alternative experimental treatment modalities, or				
	ghrelin in combination with other treatments or ghrelin analogues/				
	ghrelin mimetics/ghrelin potentiators. Two studies compared a				
	higher dose of ghrelin with a lower dose of ghrelin, however due to				
	differences in study designs and great diversity in the treatment				
	provided we did not pool the results. In both trials, food intake did				
1	not differ between participants on higher-dose and lower-dose				
1	ghrelin. None of the included studies assessed data on body weight.				
1	One study reported higher adverse events with a higher dose as				
	compared to a lower dose of ghrelin. All studies were at high risk of				
1	attrition bias and bias for size of the study. Risk of bias in other				
1	domains was unclear or low. We rated the overall quality of the				
1	evidence for primary outcomes (food intake, body weight, adverse				
	events) as very low. We downgraded the quality of the evidence due				

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	to lack of data, high or unclear risk of bias of the studies and small study size. Authors' conclusions There is insufficient evidence to be able to support or refute the use of ghrelin in people with cancer cachexia. Adequately powered randomised controlled trials focusing on evaluation of safety and efficacy of ghrelin in people with cancer cachexia is warranted.				
224.	Kiran, A. S., Varghese, A. M., Irodi, A., Lepcha, A., Mathew, J. and Jeyaseelan, V. Radiological Evaluation of Cochlear Orientation and Its Implications in Cochlear Implantation Indian J Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg; 2018, 70 (1): 1-9 Address: Plot No 41, RTC Colony, Chintalakunta Check Post, RR District, Hyderabad, 500074 India. 2Department of E.N.T., Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu 632004 India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b 3Department of Radiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu 632004 India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b 4Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu 632004 India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b 10 test whether there are variations in cochlear orientation with respect to age and sex, and its relevance in cochlear implant surgery. Implant otologists rely upon the anatomic landmarks including the facial recess and round window niche and round window membrane for accessibility and placement of electrode array into scala tympani of basal turn of cochlea. Anecdotally, surgeons note variations in cochlear orientation with respect to age. Cochlear orientation studied radiologically by pre-operative CT scan of temporal bone can guide a Surgeon's approach to cochlear implantation. To investigate the changes in cochlear orientation with respect to age and sex; and its relevance in cochlear implantation. A retrospective analytical study was performed on CT scans of temporal bones in patients (of our hospital from July 2013 to January 2015 i.e. for a period of 18 months) with no congenital or radiological abnormalities of cochlea. The basal turn angulations of cochlea varied with age and majority of change occurred during early age. The basal turn angulations of cochlear orientation as measured radiologically by basal turn angulations relative to midsagittal plane. The more obtuse and acute basal turn angulations have implications like difficulty in cochleostomy and electrode placement during cochlear	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	ENT, RADIOLOGY, BIOSTATISTICS	PMC ID:5807286 SCOPUS

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225.	Kiruthiga, K. G., Ramakrishna, B., Saha, S. and Sen, S. Histological and immunohistochemical study of hepatoblastoma: correlation with tumour behaviour and survival J Gastrointest Oncol; 2018, 9 (2): 326-337 Address: Departments of Pathology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Paediatric Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Background: Hepatoblastoma (HB) has different histological subtypes, with varying prognosis. Though the survival has drastically improved, subsets of patients are not responsive to therapy. Therefore, it becomes important to determine the factors which affect the behaviour of the tumour. This study was aimed to look at the histopathological subtypes and compare with immunohistochemical (IHC) expression of CK19, beta-catenin and EpCAM and survival. Methods: This study included 55 cases of HB. IHC expression of CK19, beta-catenin and EpCAM were correlated with histological subtypes, tumour behaviour, response to chemotherapy and survival. Results: Most common epithelial subtype was fetal (43.2%) and mixed epithelial (54.8%) in pre- and post-chemotherapy groups respectively. Microvascular invasion (MVI) was present in 14/33 resected tumours. CK19 expression was seen in 54.2% and 72.2% of embryonal subtype, nuclear beta-catenin expression in 48.7% and 57.1% and EpCAM in 100% and 82.1% of tumours in pre- and post-chemotherapy groups, respectively. Fetal subtype had a lesser chance of MVI, recurrence, metastasis and death. Beta-catenin expression was associated with lower event free survival (EFS) and EpCAM with >/=50% viable tumour following chemotherapy, solitary tumour (P=0.001), size =2/10 high power fields (hpf), viable tumour </= 10,000 IU/mL following chemotherapy, solitary tumour (P=0.001), size =5 cm, pretreatment extent of disease (PRETEXT) I&II, mitosis </=2/10 high power fields (hpf), viable tumour </= 10,000 IU/mL following chemotherapy (P=0.04) and absent nuclear expression of beta-catenin, predicted a higher EFS rate. Conclusions: Beta-catenin expression	TX	JAN TO JUNE	PATHOLOGY, PAEDIATRIC SURGERY	PMI D: 29755772 PMC ID: 5934143 SCOPUS
226.	Kishore, R., Kisku, S. M. C., Thomas, R. J. and Jeenipalli, S. K. Laparoscopic cholangiogram in biliary atresia: a refinement in the gallbladder hitch technique Pediatr Surg Int; 2018, 34 (4): 395-398 Address: Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, India. ravikishore96@gmail.com. Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, India. INTRODUCTION: The study describes a refinement in the gallbladder hitch stitch and assesses the value of the laparoscopic	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PAEDIATRIC SURGERY	PMID:29427256 WOS:000427287100004 SCOPUS

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	cholangiogram in children with suspected biliary atresia. METHODS: Twenty children with neonatal jaundice and no drainage as shown on the HIDA scan underwent a diagnostic laparoscopy through an umbilical 5 mm port. A 3 mm laparoscopic needle holder inserted through a 3.5 mm port to the left of the umbilicus was used to hitch the gallbladder to the abdominal wall. The stylet of a large bore 16F IV cannula then was used to penetrate the gallbladder to perform the laparoscopic cholangiogram. RESULTS: There was no need for conversion in all 20 children by this technique. Patent biliary anatomy was demonstrated in 11 children (11/20). These children had no further procedures. In 3 (3/20) children, the common bile duct was demonstrated, while the hepatic ducts were not. These children had a laparotomy for Kasai procedure after an open cholangiogram with a vascular bulldog clamp on the CBD confirmed the finding. Six (6/20) had no demonstrable patency; 3 had it confirmed when the abdomen was opened for the Kasai procedure; only those proceeding to Kasai portoenterostomy (3 hepatic duct atresia, 3 complete biliary atresias) had an epidural catheter placed by the anesthetist. The remaining 3 had no further procedure performed due to the advanced nodular liver with ascites and evidence of portal hypertension. CONCLUSION: The findings of laparoscopic cholangiogram were confirmed in all six children who underwent laparotomy for Kasai procedure. The laparoscopic cholangiogram using gallbladder hitch reliably demonstrates a patent biliary system (11/11) and was valuable in avoiding further invasive procedures in 70% (14/20) of babies.				
227.	Korula, A., Devasia, A. J., Fouzia, N. A., Nisham, P. N., Kulkarni, U., Lakshmi, K. M., Abraham, A., Srivastava, A., Mathews, V. and George, B. Outcomes Following Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplantation Using Non-sibling Family Donors Indian Journal of Hematology and Blood Transfusion; 2018, For patients requiring allogeneic stem cell transplant, in the absence of a HLA-matched sibling, an extended donor search within the family may yield a suitable donor especially in societies with a high prevalence of consanguinity. We describe outcomes in transplants with non-sibling family donors, and compare outcomes with controls having a sibling donor transplant. Retrospective analysis of all matched related (non-sibling) donor transplants between 1995 and 2015. For comparison, appropriate age, sex and disease-matched patients were chosen from the sibling transplants (MSD) performed during the same time period (± 2 years). Comparison between the fully matched non-sibling donor cohort and age, sex and disease-matched sibling donor transplants showed a significant increase in complications in the family donor group (viral infections, acute GVHD and rejection). Event-free	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	UROLOGY, HAEMATOLOGY	SCOPUS

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	survival and overall survival were significantly lower in the non-sibling donor cohort, and HLA disparity (1–2 antigen) further worsened the adverse impact. Though there was a significantly lower event-free and overall survival at 3 years in the family donor cohort, this did not retain significance in the multivariate analysis. This data on allogeneic transplants using family donors showed higher complication rates and poorer outcomes. However in situations where financial constraints prevent access to matched unrelated donor sources, extended family searches may be fruitful in yielding a donor, and modifications in conditioning regimens and improvement in supportive care may help in improving the outcomes in family donor transplants. © 2018, Indian Society of Hematology and Blood Transfusion.				
228.	Korula, Anu, Devasia, Nisham P. N. Anup, Sindhuvi, Eunice, Lakshmi, Kavitha, Abraham, Aby, George, Biju, Srivastava, Alok and Mathews, Vikram Impact of a Non-Sibling Fully Matched Related Donor on Clinical Outcomes in Thalassemia Major Biology of Blood and Marrow Transplantation; 2018, 24 (3): S349-S350	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY	WOS :000425476000509
229.	Korula, Anu, Fouzia, N. A., Devasia, Anup J., Kulkarni, Uday, Lakshmi, Kavitha M., Abraham, Aby, Manipadam, Marie Therese, Srivastava, Alok, George, Biju and Mathews, Vikram Impact of Imaging Modality on Clinical Outcome in Hodgkin Lymphoma in a Resource Constrained Setting Clinical Lymphoma Myeloma & Leukemia; 2018, 18 S233-S233	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY	WOS :000444343400164
230.	Korula, Anu, Nisham, P. N., Devasia, Anup, Lakshmi, Kavitha M., Abraham, Aby, Sindhuvi, Eunice, George, Biju, Srivastava, Alok and Mathews, Vikram Second Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant for Thalassemia Major: Improved Clinical Outcomes with a Treosulfan-Based Conditioning Regimen Biology of Blood and Marrow Transplantation; 2018, 24 (1): 103-108 Graft rejection (GR) after allogeneic stem cell transplantation (allo-SCT) occurs in 10% to 20% of patients with P-thalassemia major (TM). There are limited data on the clinical profile and long-term outcome of patients who have had a GR. We undertook a retrospective analysis of patients who had a graft failure after allo-SCT for TM at our center. From October 1991 to June 2016, 55 of 506 patients (11%) transplanted for TM had a graft failure. An additional 7 patients with graft failure after allo-SCf done at other centers were referred to us for a second transplant. The median age was 8 years (range, 1 to 19), and there were 38 males (61.2%).	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY	WOS :000419933800017

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	Thirty-two patients (52.4%) were primary graft failures (15 with aplasia and 17 with autologous recovery) and 30 (47.6%) were secondary graft failures (5 with aplasia and 25 with autologous recovery). On conventional risk stratification 40 patients (64.5%) were class III. Seventeen patients (53.12%) with primary graft failure and 16 (53.3%) with secondary graft failure did not receive a second transplant. Twenty-nine patients (46%) with GR underwent a second allo-SCT. With the exception of 1 patient (first allo-SCT with an unrelated cord blood product), the donor for the second transplant was the same as the first transplant. Conditioning regimen for the second SCT was busulfan-based myeloablative (MAC) in 7 patients (24%), treosulfan-based MAC in 12 patients (41.3%), and the remaining received non-MAC regimens in view of pancytopenia and perceived inability to tolerate MAC. None of the patients conditioned with a treosulfan-based regimen had a GR, although 1 patient died with complications secondary to chronic graft-versus -host disease. Of the remaining 17 patients, 10 died after the second GR and 3 of regimen-related toxicity. Four are alive, of which 1 has recurrent TM and the rest are well and transfusion independent at 55, 80, and 204 months, respectively, from second transplant (all busulfan-based MAC). On a univariate analysis a nontreosulfan-based conditioning regimen and time from GR to second transplant of <1 year was significantly associated with an adverse impact. However, on a multivariate analysis only a nontreosulfan-based regimen was associated with a significant improvement in clinical outcomes in our experience with the use of a treosulfan-based reduced-toxicity MAC regimen for second allo-SCT for TM. It would be reasonable, where feasible, to defer the second transplant by a year after the first GR. (C) 2017 American Society for Blood and Marrow Transplantation.				
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232.	Korula, S., Chapla, A., Priyambada, L., Mathai, S. and Simon, A. Sirolimus therapy for congenital hyperinsulinism in an infant with a novel homozygous KCNJ11 mutation Journal of Pediatric Endocrinology and Metabolism; 2018, 31 (1): 87-89 Congenital hyperinsulinism results in refractory hypoglycemia. If a	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PAEDIATRIC ENDOCRINOLOGY, ENDOCRINOLOGY	WOS:000419939200014 SCOPUS

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	therapy with diazoxide has been unresponsive this has been treated by subtotal pancreatectomy in the past. This therapeutic option poses an increased risk of developing diabetes at a later stage. There have been a few case reports on the use of sirolimus in such situations in the recent past. Our patient was started on sirolimus very early, on day 29 of life and at the age of 14 months is doing well on sirolimus therapy. His growth and development have been good and he has not had any major complications so far. Genetic testing showed a novel KCNJ11 homozygous mutation on next generation sequencing and the parents were heterozygous carriers. We report the successful use of sirolimus in the management of diazoxide unresponsive congenital hyperinsulinism with diffuse pancreatic involvement. We believe this is the youngest patient to be initiated on sirolimus so far. © 2018 Walter de Gruyter GmbH, Berlin/Boston.	1101			
233.	Koshy, M., Mathew, J., Alex, R., Jude, J. A., Ralph, R., Sudarsanam, T. D., Sathyendra, S., Visalakshi, J. and Peter, J. V. Antinuclear antibodies in scrub typhus: Transient occurrence during acute illness J Vector Borne Dis; 2018, 55 (1): 52-57 Address: Department of Medicine, Christian Medical College & Vellore, India. Department of Rheumatology, Christian Medical College & Vellore, India. Department of Microbiology, Christian Medical College & Vellore, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College & Vellore, India. Department of Critical Care, Christian Medical College & Vellore, India. Department of Critical Care, Christian Medical College & Vellore, India. Background & objectives: The pathological hallmark of scrub typhus infection is focal or disseminated vasculitis. As with other infections, antinuclear antibodies (ANA) have been previously described in scrub typhus. However, the underlying mechanisms and implications of this immunological phenomenon is not well understood. In the present work it was assessed whether ANA is associated with illness severity and outcomes. Methods: In this prospective study spanning one year, patients fulfilling the diagnostic criteria for scrub typhus were recruited. Patients with other acute infective febrile illnesses were taken as controls. ANA positivity was compared between the cases and controls. ANA in scrub typhus was assessed for correlation with disease severity, organ dysfunction and outcomes. Results: The cohort comprised of 149 patients (scrub 89; controls 60) with mean age 46.5 (SD=16.9) yr; 48.3% were female. ANA was detected in 48 (53.9%) patients with scrub typhus and 9(15%) controls (p < 0.001). The ANA	INT	JAN TO JUNE	MEDICINE, RHEUMATOLOGY, MICROBIOLOGY, BIOSTATISTICS, CRITICAL CARE	PMID:29916449 WOS:000436551200009 SCOPUS

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	pattern was predominantly speckled (93.8%) in both scrub typhus patients and controls. In patients with scrub typhus, ANA positivity was associated with increasing APACHE-III score [Odds ratio (OR) 1.01; 95% CI 0.99-1.03; p = 0.09]. On bivariate analysis, ANA tended to be correlated with acute respiratory distress syndrome (OR 2.32; 95% CI 0.98-5.46; p = 0.06), hepatic dysfunction (OR 2.25; 95% CI 0.94-5.39, p = 0.06) and aseptic meningitis (OR 6.83; 95% CI 0.80-58.05, p = 0.08). The presence of these antibodies did not correlate with duration of hospitalization or mortality. Convalescent sera on 31 ANA positive scrub typhus patients demonstrated persistence of ANA in only 5 (16.1%) patients. Interpretation & conclusion: The disappearance of ANA during the convalescent phase suggests that ANA is expressed during the acute phase of scrub typhus infection. Its association with organ dysfunction warrants further study of the mechanisms and impact of autoantibody formation in scrub typhus.				
234.	Koshy, M., Raj Mani, S. S., Rajan, S. J., Iyyadurai, R. and Sathyendra, S. Vertical integration in the teaching of final year medical students J Adv Med Educ Prof; 2018, 6 (4): 188-189 Address: Department of Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	MEDICINE	PMID:30349832 PMC ID:6191831
235.	Kulkarni, N., Rosario, D. P., Beck, M. M., Jose, R. and Yadav, B. A prospective case control study of menstrual and reproductive outcomes after B-Lynch surgery in a tertiary care center in south India Bjog-an International Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology; 2018, 125 42-43	INT	JAN TO JUNE	OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY, RMU	WOS:000428013200084
236.	Kulkarni, N., Rosario, D. P., David, L. S., Vijayaselvi, R. and Beck, M. M. Decoding stillbirths using the ReCoDe classification: Study from the developing world J Turk Ger Gynecol Assoc; 2018, Address: Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India Professor and Head of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India Objective: 1. To find out the stillbirth rate in the year 2017 at Christian Medical College, a tertiary care perinatal center in South India. 2. To find out causes for the various stillbirths that occurred using the ReCoDe classification. Material and Methods: Medical records of the women with stillbirths between 1st January to 31st December 2017 were retrieved and analyzed by SPSS software (IBM, version 23). The study was approved by institutional review	INT	JAN TO JUNE	OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY	PMID:30362339

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	board Minute no: 11273 Retro dated 28/3/2018. Results: Of the total 14696 deliveries between 1st January 2017 to 31st December 2017, there were 247 stillbirths, a rate of 16.8 per 1000 births. Maternal factors:156(64.2%) were booked and rest were un-booked. Hypertensive disorders of pregnancy were detected in 27.5%(n=67). A greater number of un-booked women had gestational hypertension as compared to booked women (41% vs 24%, p value 0.005). Fetal characteristics: Still births secondary to lethal congenital anomalies were seen in 18.2%(n=45). Lethal congenital anomalies were diagnosed 10 times more in the booked patients than un-booked ones. (24.7% versus 2.3%, p value 0.001). Obstetric factors: Previous one or two miscarriages were seen in 29.5% cases. Seventeen women (6.9%) had a prior stillbirth. ReCoDe Classification: We were able to successfully classify 84.2% of stillbirths, leaving 15.78% unclassified. Fetal growth restriction secondary to uteroplacental insufficiency was found in 25.9% cases. Of the placental causes, abruption accounted for 10.9% of cases. Medical co-morbidities were seen in 46.5% pregnancies. Conclusion: ReCoDe method of classifying stillbirths is useful in the developing world. It helped to elucidate the cause for stillbirths in 84.2% cases. Majority of cases in our setup were due to fetal growth restriction, hypertensive disorders of pregnancy and uteroplacental insufficiency. Stillbirths can be prevented by a comprehensive antenatal care system, early recognition and close monitoring of high risk pregnancies.				
237.	Kulkarni, U., Devasia, A. J., Korula, A., Fouzia, N. A., Nisham, P. N., Samoon, Y. J., Lakshmi, K. M., Abraham, A., Srivastava, A., Mathews, V. and George, B. Use of Non-Cryopreserved Peripheral Blood Stem Cells Is Associated with Adequate Engraftment in Patients with Multiple Myeloma Undergoing an Autologous Transplant Biol Blood Marrow Transplant; 2018, Address: Department of Haematology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Haematology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Electronic Address: bijuhaemat@gmail.com. Autologous transplantation is the standard of care for transplant-eligible patients with multiple myeloma. Toward making this treatment accessible in developing countries, there are significant challenges like resource constraints and access to cryopreservation facilities. We performed a retrospective analysis of patients with multiple myeloma who underwent autologous transplantation using granulocyte colony-stimulating factor (G-CSF)-mobilized non-cryopreserved grafts at our institution from January 1995 to December 2014. Peripheral blood stem cells (PBSCs) were harvested over 1 to 2 days after G-CSF mobilization.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY	PMI D:30142418

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	After apheresis, PBSCs were stored at 4 degrees C in a blood bank refrigerator for up to 72 hours. During the study period, 224 patients with multiple myeloma underwent autologous transplantation using G-CSF-mobilized non-cryopreserved grafts. The number of days of stem cell harvest was 1 in 91 patients (40.6%) and 2 in 133 patients (59.4%). The median CD34 cell dose was 4.87x10(6)/kg (range, 1.15 to 23.7). All patients except 1 engrafted. The median time to neutrophil engraftment was 12 days (range, 9 to 22). The median time to platelet engraftment was 17 days (range, 10 to 44). In a resource-limited setting, the use of G-CSF-mobilized non-cryopreserved grafts results in adequate engraftment for most patients with multiple myeloma undergoing autologous stem cell transplantation.				
238.	Kulkarni, U., Devasia, A. J., Korula, A., Fouzia, N., Nisham, P., Samoon, Y. J., Lakshmi, K. M., Abraham, A., Srivastava, A., Mathews, V. and George, B. Clinical Outcomes in Multiple Myeloma Post-Autologous Transplantation—A Single Centre Experience Indian Journal of Hematology and Blood Transfusion; 2018, There is paucity of data from developing countries on the clinical outcomes in myeloma post-autologous transplantation. In this retrospective study, we used hospital records to retrieve data of patients with multiple myeloma undergoing autologous stem cell transplantation (ASCT) from January 1995 to December 2014 at our centre. During the study period, 245 patients underwent ASCT for myeloma. Of these, 19%, 37% and 37% were in complete response, very good partial response and partial response respectively at the time of ASCT. Only in 14 (5.7%) patients, the stem cells were cryopreserved. The transplant related mortality was 2.86%. The median follow up was 40.7 months (range 0–237.4 months). The 5-year overall survival (OS) and progression-free survival (PFS) for the entire cohort was 61.6% ± 3.8% and 37.2% ± 3.9% respectively. Independent predictors of OS included mononuclear cell dose infused, pre- and post-transplant response; and the use of maintenance therapy. In a resource limited setting, ASCT for myeloma is associated with low transplant related mortality. Pre- and post-transplant response and maintenance therapy are predictors of survival. © 2018, Indian Society of Hematology and Blood Transfusion.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY	SCOPUS
239.	Kumar, M., Santhanam, S., Thomas, N. and Jana, A. K. A prospective observational study comparing cardiac function of small for gestational age with appropriate for gestational age babies using serial echocardiographic studies	INT	JAN TO JUNE	NEONATOLOGY	PMI D:29338497

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	J Matern Fetal Neonatal Med; 2018, 1-6 Address: a Department of Neonatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. BACKGROUND: Approximately 30% of babies born in India are low birth weight (LBW) and about 70% of LBW babies are small for gestational age (SGA). Though there are several trials that have evaluated cardiac function of intrauterine growth restricted (IUGR) babies in utero, there is limited data about postnatal cardiac function in SGA babies during early neonatal period. This study was conducted to evaluate the cardiac functions of SGA babies by serial echocardiographic measurements and compare this with appropriate for gestational age (AGA) babies during the early postnatal period. MATERIAL AND METHODS: Seventy babies were enrolled in this prospective observational study with 35 each in the SGA and AGA groups. Echocardiography was performed for all babies on days 1, 2, and 3 of life. Myocardial performance index (MPI) was used as the primary measure to compare cardiac function. MPI was calculated for both ventricles using pulse wave Doppler and tissue Doppler. RESULTS: MPI of the left ventricle was significantly higher in the SGA group as compared to AGA babies during all the three measurement periods with SGA babies having significantly higher MPI of right ventricle on day 1 and day 2 but not on day 3. Left ventricular internal diameter index during diastole and systole (LVIDD index and LVIDS index), left atrium: aortic root ratio (LA: AO ratio) were significantly increased in SGA babies on all the occasions. Fractional shortening, ejection fraction, and area shortening were similar in two groups. CONCLUSIONS: Myocardial performance index of left and right ventricle, which evaluates both systolic and diastolic function of ventricles, was significantly increased in SGA babies in comparison to AGA babies during the first 3 days of life except MPI of the right ventricle on day 3. Thus, SGA babies have compromised cardiac function through all phases of the cardiac cycle with the performance improv				
240.	Kumar, N., Chaudhary, N., Prabhu, A. J., Robinson Vimala, L., Boddu, D. and Mathew, L. G. Undifferentiated thymic carcinoma with intracranial metastasis in a two-year-old Asian Cardiovasc Thorac Ann; 2018, 26 (3): 239-241 Address: 1 Department of Pediatrics, 30025 Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. 2 Department of Pathology, 30025 Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. 3 Department of Radiology, 30025 Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Thymic carcinoma with central nervous system involvement is very	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PEDIATRICS, PATHOLOGY, RADIOLOGY	PMID:29411634 SCOPUS

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	rare in children. A 27-month-old girl presented with a unilateral squint, vomiting, and behavioral changes. Imaging studies showed a silent anterior mediastinal mass and a large metastatic mass at the base of the skull. Biopsy of the anterior mediastinal mass confirmed an undifferentiated tumor consistent with thymic carcinoma. The child died within 3 months of the onset of symptoms, due to progression of the disease. These lethal tumors of unknown histogeneses and etiology are aggressive in nature, resistant to therapy, and have a rapidly fatal course.				
241.	Kumar, S. Health-care expenses - A need to be cautious Indian J Urol; 2018, 34 (4): 237-238 Address: Department of Urology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	UROLOGY	PMID:30337775 PMC ID:6174713 SCOPUS
242.	Kumar, S. What's inside Indian J Urol; 2018, 34 (4): 239-240 Address: Department of Urology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	UROLOGY	PMI D:30337776 PMC I D:6174719 SCOPUS
243.	Kumar, S. Classification criteria of paediatric Behcet's disease: An evolving area of study Indian Journal of Rheumatology; 2018, 13 (3): 152-153 Address: Department of Pediatrics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PEDIATRICS	SCOPUS
244.	Kumar, S. Round up Indian J Urol; 2018, 34 (2): 97-98 Address: Department of Urology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	UROLOGY	PMI D:29692500 PMC I D:5894297 SCOPUS
245.	Kumar, S., Chandran, C., Chacko, R., Jesija, J. S. and Paul, A. Osteoradionecrosis of Jaw: An Institutional Experience Contemp Clin Dent; 2018, 9 (2): 242-248 Address: Department of Dental and Oral Surgery, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Aims and Objectives: Osteoradionecrosis (ORN) of the jaw is a significant yet rare complication of radiotherapy (RT) associated with the management of head-and-neck malignancies. Recent decrease in the incidence of ORN following RT to the head and neck is being mainly attributed to refinement in RT techniques and improvement in our understanding of this morbid disease. The aim	INT	JAN TO JUNE	DENTAL AND ORAL SURGERY	PMI D:29875568 PMC I D:5968690 SCOPUS

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	of this study is to assess the patients with ORN following head-and-neck RT to determine the various contributing risk factors involved in the development of ORN. Subjects and Methods: A retrospective data review from 2003 onward was conducted on the cases of ORN which presented to the Department of Dental and Oral Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore. Details of the patients with regard to the site of primary malignancy, type of treatment provided - RT alone or in combination of surgery and chemotherapy, dose of RT, presenting complaint, duration between the RT and presentation of ORN, and method of management considered were evaluated. Results: A total of 25 patients were evaluated. The average age of the 25 patients in our study was 58 years. Oropharynx (about 50%) was the leading site of primary malignancy. More than half of the patients in the study (52%) had undergone radical RT for the primary malignancy and all the patients were given >60 Gy dose of RT. About 48% of the patients in the study reported with pus discharge as their chief complaint. The average intervening time period from completion of RT to the presentation of ORN was 48 months. The mandibular alveolus was the most common site for ORN. Twelve of the 25 cases in the study were managed conservatively with only 3 patients requiring major resection. Conclusion: Due to its rare presentation, ORN still remains a challenge for the clinician in its management. Our study revealed that radical RT and concurrent chemo-RT for the oropharyngeal and base of the tongue malignancies have a higher risk of developing ORN. Patients subjected to the dose of RT above 60 Gy for head-and-neck malignancies have an increased risk of future ORN; henceforth, newer modality treatment like intensity-modulated RT regimen is recommended for such sites. Most of the patients in the study were satisfactorily managed of the symptoms with conservative modality treatment; hence, it is recommended to consider for surgical methods only in severe end-stage form of ORN.	INT			
246.	Kumar, S., Charllu, A. P., Chacko, R. and Porinchu, J. Spontaneous bone regeneration in a large haemophilic pseudotumour of mandible BMJ Case Rep; 2018, 2018 Address: CMCH, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Dental Surgery Unit 1, CMCH, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Christian Medical College and Hospital Vellore, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Pseudotumours of haemophilia (PTH) are locally expansile destructive haematomas which result in varying morbidity among haemophilic patients. Adequate haematological treatment and prophylaxis helps in preventing these haematomas. Currently, there is no uniform standard management protocol for this entity	INT	JAN TO JUNE	DENTAL SURGERY UNIT I	PMI D:30093500 SCOPUS

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	due to rarity of these lesions. PTH are seen in 1%-2% of the severe haemophilic patients. They may also be seen in moderate cases when adequate factor coverage is not provided or in cases with factor VIII inhibitors. We report a rare case of mandibular pseudotumour in a patient with moderate haemophilia and Glanzmann's thrombasthenia, treated successfully with decompression of the haematoma. Postdecompression, sequential radiography revealed spontaneous bone regeneration at the site of the lesion. With 2 years follow-up, the mandible had no residual lesion. This reveals the role and potential of conservative decompression even in cases with severe osteodestruction secondary to developing haematoma of the mandible in haemophilic patients.				
247.	Kuppuswamy, B., Davis, K., Sahajanandan, R. and Ponniah, M. A randomized controlled trial comparing the myocardial protective effects of isoflurane with propofol in patients undergoing elective coronary artery bypass surgery on cardiopulmonary bypass, assessed by changes in N-terminal brain natriuretic peptide Ann Card Anaesth; 2018, 21 (1): 34-40 Address: Department of Anaesthesia, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. OBJECTIVE: The objective of the study is to compare the myocardial protective effects of isoflurane with propofol in patients undergoing elective coronary artery bypass surgery on cardiopulmonary bypass (CPB), the cardio protection been assessed by changes in N-terminal brain natriuretic peptide (NT proBNP). Methodology and Design: This study is designed as a participant blinded, prospective randomized clinical trial. SETTING: Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, India. PARTICIPANTS: Patients undergoing elective coronary artery bypass surgery on CPB. INTERVENTION: Anesthesia was maintained with 0.8-1.2 end tidal concentrations of isoflurane in the isoflurane group and in the propofol group, anesthesia was maintained with propofol infusion as described by Roberts et al. MEASUREMENTS: Hemodynamic data were recorded at frequent intervals during the surgery and up to 24 h in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU). The other variables that were measured include duration of mechanical ventilation, dose and duration of inotropes in ICU, (inotrope score), duration of ICU stay, NT proBNP levels before induction and 24 h postoperatively, creatine kinase-MB levels in the immediate postoperative, first and second day. RESULTS: Mean heart rate was significantly higher in propofol group during sternotomy, (P = 0.021). Propofol group had a significantly more number of patients requiring nitroglycerine in the prebypass period (P = 0.01). The increase in NT proBNP from preoperative to postoperative value was lesser in the isoflurane group compared to propofol even though the difference was not	INT	JAN TO JUNE	ANAESTHESIA	PMI D:29336389 PMC I D:5791484 SCOPUS

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	statistically significant. The requirement of phenylephrine to maintain mean arterial pressure within 20% of baseline, mechanical ventilation duration, inotrope use, duration of ICU stay and hospital stay were found to be similar in both groups. CONCLUSION: Propofol exhibit comparable myocardial protective effect like that of isoflurane in patients undergoing coronary artery bypass graft surgery. Considering the unproven mortality benefit of isoflurane and the improved awareness of green OT concept, propofol may be the ideal alternative to volatile anesthetics, at least in patients with good left ventricular function.				
248.	Kurian, J. J. and Jacob, T. J. K. An unusual presentation of gall bladder papillomatosis in association with metachromatic leukodystrophy BMJ Case Rep; 2018, 2018 Address: Department of Paediatric Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Paediatric Surgery, Christian Medical College and Hospital Vellore, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. A 5-year-old boy with metachromatic leukodystrophy, debilitated by spastic quadriparesis presented to us with massive ascites and respiratory distress. A subtotal cholecystectomy was performed on him from another centre for a gall bladder mass a year before he came to us. Imaging revealed a polypoidal frond-like mass arising from the gall bladder fossa which was supplied by a hypertrophied branch of the right hepatic artery. A decision was made to offer surgical resection preceded by embolisation of the feeding vessel. At surgery, a polypoidal frond-like mass in communication with the peritoneal cavity was seen arising from the remnant gall bladder bed with over 4 L of mucoid ascites. The mass along with the remnant gall bladder was removed. Biopsy revealed villous papilloma of the gall bladder. The child is well and asymptomatic at 5-month follow-up.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PAEDIATRIC SURGERY	PMI D:30389742 SCOPUS
249.	Kurian, J. J., Jehangir, S. and Korula, A. Multiloculated Cystic Renal Tumors of Childhood: Has the Final Word Been Spoken J Indian Assoc Pediatr Surg; 2018, 23 (1): 22-26 Address: Department of Paediatric Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Pathology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Multicystic renal tumors which include cystic nephroma, cystic partially differentiated nephroblastoma (CPDN) and cystic Wilms tumor has been a diagnostic and therapeutic challenge. Histopathological examination has been the only reliable differentiating method. Management of these tumors is still riddled	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PAEDIATRIC SURGERY, PATHOLOGY	PMID:29386760 PMC ID:5772090

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	with controversy as a definitive preoperative differentiation between the three has not been possible. Methods: A retrospective evaluation was performed of the treatment strategies employed with nine cases of multicystic renal tumors treated from 2005 to 2015. Results: The median age at presentation was 12 months with all except one being boys. All except two children underwent primary surgery. The median follow-up was 50 months with six children having long-term survival. One child succumbed to the disease process, one died due to an unrelated cause and another was lost to follow-up. Although there was no ambiguity with cases of cystic nephroma (CN) and cystic Wilms tumor, three of the four cases of CPDN had problems. Conclusion: Primary surgery for multicystic renal tumors is safe and should be seriously considered as it prevents overtreatment in cases of CN and early stage CPDN. Further studies are needed to fully understand the biological behavior of CPDN.				
250.	Kurian, J. J., Nongpiur, K. R. L. and Jehangir, S. Use of Pretherapy Core Biopsy in the Diagnosis of Pediatric Renal Tumors J Indian Assoc Pediatr Surg; 2018, 23 (2): 66-69 Address: Department of Paediatric Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Pretreatment core biopsy of pediatric renal tumors has been advocated by United Kingdom Children's Cancer Study Group to circumvent the disadvantage of International Society of Paediatric Oncology protocol, where neoadjuvant chemotherapy initiated without histopathological confirmation can result in overor under-treatment. Aim: This study aims (a) to assess if pretherapy core biopsy correlates with the nephrectomy biopsy; (b) to assess if neoadjuvant chemotherapy changes Wilms tumor (WT) histology, and (c) to assess the incidence of biopsy site recurrence. Materials and Methods: Seventy-six children from 2005 to 2016 with renal tumors who underwent a pretherapy core biopsy were included in the study. The biopsy was performed through the posterior flank post-ultrasound marking of the renal mass, by administering intravenous anesthesia. Results: Of the 62 children with WT, an accurate diagnosis was possible in 61. Accurate prediction of anaplasia was possible only in 25%. Reduction in blastemal elements was seen in 26 patients with 10 of them showing completely necrotic tumor. Eleven of the 14 children with non-WT were accurately diagnosed. Core biopsy corroborated with the nephrectomy biopsy in all but 4 patients. Two specimens were inadequate and two cases of congenital mesoblastic nephroma were inaccurately diagnosed, one as spindle cell neoplasm and the other as WT. Biopsy site recurrence was seen in 1 child. Conclusion: Pretreatment posterior flank core biopsy in the diagnosis of	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PAEDIATRIC SURGERY	PMID:29681695 PMC ID:5898206

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	pediatric renal tumors is safe, simple, and cost-effective with minimal complications.				
251.	Kurian, J., Jehangir, S. and Korula, A. Multiloculated cystic renal tumors of childhood: Has the final word been spoken Journal of Indian Association of Pediatric Surgeons; 2018, 23 (1): 22-26 Background: Multicystic renal tumors which include cystic nephroma, cystic partially differentiated nephroblastoma (CPDN) and cystic Wilms tumor has been a diagnostic and therapeutic challenge. Histopathological examination has been the only reliable differentiating method. Management of these tumors is still riddled with controversy as a definitive preoperative differentiation between the three has not been possible. Methods: A retrospective evaluation was performed of the treatment strategies employed with nine cases of multicystic renal tumors treated from 2005 to 2015. Results: The median age at presentation was 12 months with all except one being boys. All except two children underwent primary surgery. The median follow-up was 50 months with six children having long-term survival. One child succumbed to the disease process, one died due to an unrelated cause and another was lost to follow-up. Although there was no ambiguity with cases of cystic nephroma (CN) and cystic Wilms tumor, three of the four cases of CPDN had problems. Conclusion: Primary surgery for multicystic renal tumors is safe and should be seriously considered as it prevents overtreatment in cases of CN and early stage CPDN. Further studies are needed to fully understand the biological behavior of CPDN. © 2017 Journal of Indian Association of Pediatric Surgeons Published by Wolters Kluwer - Medknow.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PAEDIATRIC SURGERY	SCOPUS
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253.	Lahiri, A., Alex, A. G. and George, P. V. Estimating the prevalence of elevated plasma neutrophil gelatinase associated lipocalin level in patients with acute coronary syndromes and its association with outcomes Indian Heart J; 2018, 70 (2): 220-224 Address: Department of Cardiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Electronic Address: anandaroop_lahiri@yahoo.com. Department of Cardiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Electronic Address: alexanoop@gmail.com. Department of Cardiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Electronic Address: paulgeorgev@hotmail.com. OBJECTIVES: The principal objective of this study was to estimate the plasma levels of neutrophil gelatinase associated lipocalin (NGAL) in a cohort of patients with acute coronary syndromes (ACS) across their entire spectrum, and to correlate them with outcomes. METHODS: 87 patients with acute coronary syndromes were included in the study. Apart from the routine work up and management, all patients underwent determination of plasma NGAL and serum high sensitivity C reactive protein (HSCRP) levels at admission. The patients were followed up through the hospital stay as well as for one month after discharge for clinical outcomes, and echocardiographic parameters of left ventricular function. Plasma NGAL was studied for its predictive power for various defined outcomes. RESULTS: Plasma NGAL levels were detectably elevated in 67% of patients with ACS without any significant proportion with renal dysfunction, sepsis or overt infection. Plasma NGAL was the strongest independent predictor of all cause hospital mortality in	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	CARDIOLOGY	PMI D:29716698 PMC ID:5993888 SCOPUS

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	Cox regression multivariate analysis with an odds ratio of 8.353, p=0.0237. Plasma NGAL did not correlate with HSCRP, or severity of coronary artery disease (CAD). CONCLUSION: This is a small study that shows that plasma NGAL in patients admitted with ACS can predict hospital mortality and forms the basis for consideration of this molecule as a possible new risk marker in ACS meriting further and more extensive investigation.				
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	not significantly improve the low immunogenicity of rotavirus vaccine given to infants in a poor urban community in India. A modest effect of combined supplementation deserves further investigation. (C) 2017 The Author(s). Published by Elsevier Ltd.				
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	respectively, was 91% and 92% for GT1, 100% and 100% for GT2, 91% and 97% for GT3, 64% and 95% for GT4, 87% and 87% for GT6 and 79% and 91% for GT untested. Patients with cirrhosis had SVR12 of 85% vs 93% for noncirrhosis (P < 0.001) (RR 2.1, 95% CI 1.4-3.1, P = 0.0002). Patients with GT1 and GT3 treated with sofosbuvir/ribavirin (SR) had 88% and 89% SVR12, respectively, but those GT6 treated with sofosbuvir/ledipasvir (SL) had only 77.6% SVR12. Multivariate analysis showed absence of cirrhosis was associated with higher SVR12 (OR 2.0, 95% CI 1.3-3.1, P = 0.002). In conclusion, patients with GT1 and GT3 with/without cirrhosis had surprisingly high efficacy using SR, suggesting that Asians may respond better to some DAAs. However, poor GT6 response to SL suggests this regimen is suboptimal for this genotype.				
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	Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD. Walter Reed AFRIMS Research Unit Nepal. Armed Forces Research Institute of Medical Sciences, Kathmandu, Nepal. Foundation for the National Institutes of Health, Baltimore, MD. OBJECTIVE: We evaluated the impact of subclinical enteroaggregative Escherichia coli (EAEC) infection alone and in combination with other pathogens in the first 6 months of life on child growth. METHODS: Nondiarrheal samples from 1684 children across 8 Multisite Birth Cohort Study, Malnutrition and Enteric Diseases (MAL-ED) sites in Asia, Africa, and Latin America were tested monthly; more than 90% of children were followed-up twice weekly for the first 6 months of life. RESULTS: Children with subclinical EAEC infection did not show altered growth between enrollment and 6 months. Conversely, EAEC coinfection with any other pathogen was negatively associated with delta weight-for-length (P < 0.05) and weight-for-age (P > 0.05) z scores between 0 and 6 months. The presence of 2 or more pathogens without EAEC was not significantly associated with delta weight-for-length and weight-for-age. The most frequent EAEC coinfections included Campylobacter spp, heat-labile toxin-producing enterotoxigenic E coli, Cryptosporidium spp, and atypical enteropathogenic E coli. Myeloperoxidase levels were increased with EAEC coinfection (P < 0.05). EAEC pathogen codetection was associated with lower neopterin levels compared to those of no-pathogen control children (P < 0.05). Mothers of children with EAEC coinfections had lower levels of education, poorer hygiene and sanitation, lower socioeconomic status, and lower breast-feeding rates compared to mothers of children in whom no pathogen was detected (P < 0.05). CONCLUSIONS: These data emphasize the public health importance of subclinical EAEC infection in early infancy in association with other pathogens and the need for improved maternal and child care, hygiene, sanitation, and socioeconomic factors.				
257.	Livingstone, R. S. and Varghese, A. A simple quality control tool for assessing integrity of lead equivalent aprons Indian J Radiol Imaging; 2018, 28 (2): 258-262 Address: Department of Radiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Protective lead or lead-equivalent (Pbeq) aprons play a key role in providing necessary shielding from secondary radiation to occupational workers. Knowledge on the integrity of these shielding apparels during purchase is necessary to maintain adequate radiation safety. Aim: The aim of the study was to evaluate the lead equivalence in aprons based on simple quality	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	RADIOLOGY	PMID:30050253 PMC ID:6038217 SCOPUS

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	assessment tool. Materials and Methods: 0.25 mm and 0.5 mm lead and lead-free aprons from 6 manufacturers were assessed using a calibrated digital X-ray unit. The percentage attenuation values of the aprons were determined at 100 kVp using an ionization chamber and the pixel intensities were analyzed using digital radiographic images of lead apron, copper step wedge tool, and 2 mm thick lead. Results: Mean radiation attenuation of 90% and 97% was achieved in 0.25 mm and 0.5 mm lead or lead-free aprons respectively. The pixel intensities from 0.25 mm Pbeq apron correspond to 0.8-1.2 mm thickness of Cu while 0.5 mm Pbeq aprons correspond to 2.0-2.8 mm of Cu. Conclusion: Pixel intensity increased with increase in the thickness of copper step wedge indicating a corresponding increase in lead equivalence in aprons. It is suggestive that aprons should be screened for its integrity from the time of purchase using computed tomography (CT), fluoroscopy, or radiography. It is recommended that this simple test tool could be used for checking lead equivalence if any variation in contrast is seen in the image during screening.				
258.	Livingstone, R. S., Varghese, A. and Keshava, S. N. A Study on the Use of Radiation-Protective Apron among Interventionists in Radiology J Clin Imaging Sci; 2018, 8 34 Address: Department of Radiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Objective: Radiation-protective aprons are commonly used by interventionists to protect against the harmful effects of ionizing radiation. Choice of appropriate aprons with respect to lead equivalence and weight is necessary for effective protection and reduced physical strain. This study evaluates the knowledge and practice of using radiation-protective aprons by interventionists. Materials and Methods: Ninety-one interventional radiologists who attended an annual interventional conference were provided with a questionnaire which included age, years of experience, area of expertise, type and weight of apron used, and physical strain caused due to the use of apron. Results: About 14.3% of the interventionists practiced in an angiographic suite for less than an hour a day, 45% for 2-4 h, 21% for 4-6 h, 10% for 6-10 h, and the rest above 10 h/day. About 68% of the interventionists wore 0.5 mm lead-equivalent (Pbeq) aprons; 15.4% with 0.25 mm Pbeq; about 5.5% with 0.35 mm Pbeq aprons, and the remaining were not aware of the lead equivalence. About 47% reported that they had body aches due to wearing single-sided aprons. Interventionists working more than 10 h/day wearing single-sided lead apron predominantly complained of shoulder pain and back pain. Conclusion: A large fraction of interventionists reported that they had physical strain. It is suggestive for interventionists to wear	INT	JAN TO JUNE	RADIOLOGY	PMC ID:6118106

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	correct fit and light-weight aprons with appropriate lead equivalence.				
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	Venezuela, Peru, Mexico, China, and India. We assessed weight loss, exhaustion, slow walking speed, and low energy consumption, but not hand grip strength. Therefore, frailty phenotype was defined on 2 or more of 4 of the usual 5 criteria. RESULTS: We surveyed 17,031 adults aged 65 years and over. Overall frailty prevalence was 15.2% (95% confidence inteval 14.6%-15.7%). Prevalence was low in rural (5.4%) and urban China (9.1%) and varied between 12.6% and 21.5% in other sites. A similar pattern of variation was apparent after direct standardization for age and sex. Cross-site variation in prevalence of frailty indicators varied across the 4 indicators. Controlling for age, sex, and education, frailty was positively associated with older age, female sex, lower socioeconomic status, physical impairments, stroke, depression, dementia, disability and dependence, and high healthcare costs. DISCUSSION: There was substantial variation in the prevalence of frailty and its indicators across sites in Latin America, India, and China. Culture and other contextual factors may impact significantly on the assessment of frailty using questionnaire and physical performance-based measures, and achieving cross-cultural measurement invariance remains a challenge. CONCLUSIONS: A consistent pattern of correlates was identified, suggesting that in all sites, the frailty screen could identify older adults with multiple physical, mental, and cognitive morbidities, disability and needs for care, compounded by socioeconomic disadvantage and catastrophic healthcare spending.				
260.	Loganathan, S. and Kumar, S. Diagnostic value of procalcitonin for differentiation between bacterial infection and noninfectious inflammation in febrile children with systemic autoimmune diseases Indian Journal of Rheumatology; 2018, 13 (3): 173-177 Address: Department of Pediatrics Unit II, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu 632004, India Objectives: The objective of this study is to determine the diagnostic value of procalcitonin (PCT) for differentiation between bacterial infection and noninfectious inflammation in febrile children with systemic autoimmune disease. Methods: It was a cross-sectional study and children with systemic autoimmune disease such as systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) and juvenile idiopathic arthritis (JIA) presenting with fever (>38°C) were recruited. Results: Out of 24 children included, 16 had SLE (11 in disease flare group and 5 in infection group) and 8 had disease flare of Systemic JIA. Two children in SLE infection group died. Mean PCT was 92.2 ng/ml in SLE infectious group and 3.50 ng/ml in SLE flare group which was statistically significant (P = 0.009). However, the mean C-reactive protein was 98 mg/dl in SLE infectious group and 52 mg/dl in SLE flare group which was not statistically significant (P	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	PEDIATRICS UNIT II	SCOPUS

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	= 0.25). PCT concentration cutoff value >1.2 ng/ml has the sensitivity of 83% (95% confidence interval [CI] 43.6-0.97) and specificity of 72% (95% CI 49.1-87.5), positive predictive value of 50% (95% CI 23.6-76.3) and negative predictive value 93% (95% CI 68.5-98.7). Conclusions: PCT levels >1.2 ng/ml in febrile SLE patients should point to a bacterial infection, whereas PCT levels <1.2 ng/ml might indicate disease flare that could reduce unnecessary antibiotic use. PCT may serve as a useful marker for the detection of systemic bacterial infection in patients with the systemic autoimmune disease. © 2018 Indian Journal of Rheumatology.				
261.	Lukka, V. K., Kurien, R., Varghese, L. and Rupa, V. Endoscopic Submucosal Resection Versus Endoscopic Submucosal Diathermy for Inferior Turbinate Hypertrophy Indian Journal of Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery; 2018, 1-10 Endoscopic submucous resection and endoscopic submucous diathermy of the inferior turbinate are two different surgical methods of reducing size in turbinate hypertrophy. We aimed to compare the efficacy of both methods in reducing the nasal symptoms and improving nasal airway. This is a prospective randomized controlled trial conducted in a tertiary hospital, involving fifty patients with inferior turbinate hypertrophy not relieved by medications. After preoperative airway grading using a subjective symptom score, objective airway score and endoscopic score, patients were randomized to undergo either endoscopic submucous diathermy or endoscopic submucous resection. The primary outcome was postoperative improvement of airway and reduction of nasal symptoms. Secondary outcomes were postoperative bleeding and pain. All 24 patients who underwent endoscopic submucous diathermy and 26 who underwent endoscopic submucous resection showed statistically significant reduction in nasal symptoms both in the immediate and late postoperative periods. Patients who underwent endoscopic submucous resection showed greater improvement of airway at 1 week than those who had endoscopic submucous diathermy (p = 0.001). This difference however equalized at the 3–6 months postoperative period. Postoperative bleeding (p = 0.02) and pain (p = 0.04) were significantly more in patients who underwent endoscopic submucous resection. Both endoscopic submucous diathermy and endoscopic submucous resection in the early postoperative period. Reduced postoperative bleeding and pain may make endoscopic submucous diathermy a more attractive option overall. © 2018 Association of Otolaryngologists of India	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	ENT	SCOPUS

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	PurposeTo describe our experience with a large cohort (411 patients				
	from 288 families) of various forms of skeletal dysplasia who were				
	molecularly characterized.MethodsDetailed phenotyping and				
	next-generation sequencing (panel and exome). ResultsOur analysis				
	revealed 224 pathogenic/likely pathogenic variants (54 (24%) of				
	which are novel) in 123 genes with established or tentative links to				
	skeletal dysplasia. In addition, we propose 5 genes as candidate				
	disease genes with suggestive biological links (WNT3A, SUCO,				
	RIN1, DIP2C, and PAN2). Phenotypically, we note that our cohort				
	spans 36 established phenotypic categories by the International				
	Skeletal Dysplasia Nosology, as well as 18 novel skeletal dysplasia				
	phenotypes that could not be classified under these categories, e.g.,				
	the novel C3orf17-related skeletal dysplasia. We also describe novel				
	phenotypic aspects of well-known disease genes, e.g.,				
	PGAP3-related Toriello-Carey syndrome-like phenotype. We note a				
	strong founder effect for many genes in our cohort, which allowed				
	us to calculate a minimum disease burden for the autosomal				

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	recessive forms of skeletal dysplasia in our population (7.16E-04), which is much higher than the global average.ConclusionBy expanding the phenotypic, allelic, and locus heterogeneity of skeletal dysplasia in humans, we hope our study will improve the diagnostic rate of patients with these conditions.GENETICS in MEDICINE advance online publication, 5 April 2018; doi:10.1038/gim.2018.50.				
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	India.grid.418573.c 2Christian Medical College Vellore, Tamil Nadu, 632004 India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b 3Department Of Endocrine Surgery, Christian Medical College Vellore, Tamil Nadu, 632004 India.0000 0004 1767 8969grid.11586.3b Dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans (DFSP) represents about 1% of soft-tissue sarcomas with an estimated incidence of 0.8 to 5.0 cases per million per year. This lesion may occur anywhere in the body but more than 50% occur on the trunk, 20% on the head and neck and 30% on the extremities. DFSP of the breast is an extremely uncommon site of presentation. Data regarding DFSP of the breast is limited and mostly in the form of case reports. Clinical presentation is not uniform and may mimic benign skin lesions [1]. However, it typically presents as a nodular cutaneous mass in early or mid-adult life. We herein report a case of DFSP of the breast in a 33-year-old lady who was managed successfully in our institute and review the literature associated with it.				
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	Indian J Psychol Med; 2018, 40 (1): 29-32 Address: Department of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Unit, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Child Development Centre, Thiruvananthapuram Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India. Objective: Brief Intellectual Disability Scale (BIDS) is a measure validated for identification of children with intellectual disabilities (IDs) in countries with low disability resources. Following the publication of the exploratory factor analysis of BIDS, the authors have documented the confirmatory factor analysis (CFA) of BIDS in this study. Materials and Methods: A prospective cross-sectional study was conducted to document the CFA of the BIDS. Primary caregivers (N = 124) of children with ID were recruited and rated the BIDS. We used alternative fit indices for the evaluation of comparative fit index (CFI) and root mean square error of approximation (RMSEA) to evaluate the model fit. The 2-index fit strategy was used to select the best factor model. Results: The model fit index for the original 3-factor model and alternative 2-factor and 1-factor models with 9 items of the BIDS was under identified along with another 3-factor, 7-item model. Another 1-factor, 7-item model was identified but did not satisfy the 2-index fit strategy. A short version of the scale with a 2-factor and 7-item model of BIDS presented the best fit indices of CFI = 0.952 and RMSEA = 0.069. Conclusion: Although the original factor structure of BIDS was not confirmed in this study, another alternative a priori model for the construct validity of BIDS was confirmed. Therefore, the BIDS factor structure has been revised, refined, and trimmed to the final 2-factor, 7-item shorter version. Further documentation of the diagnostic accuracy, validity, and reliability of this shorter version of BDI is recommended. PMI D:29403126				
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	Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. debashisdandacmc@hotmail.com. Human and animal model studies suggest CXCL13 is a potential biomarker in primary Sjogren's syndrome (pSS). CXCL13 has not been studied in Indian patients with pSS. pSS cases classified by American European Consensus Group (AECG) or American college of Rheumatology(ACR) 2012 criteria, attending rheumatology clinic between July 2014 and July 2015 were included. Hospital staff and healthy, non-blood related family members of patients constituted the control group. pSS cases underwent clinical evaluation, laboratory investigations, ESSDAI and ESSPRI scoring. Unstimulated saliva was collected by the spitting method. Salivary and serum CXCL13 were quantified by indirect ELISA. CXCL13 positivity was determined using Receiver Operator Characteristic (ROC) curve. STATA13.1 (StataCorpLP,Texas,USA) software was used for statistical analysis. In this study, 45 pSS cases and 42 healthy controls were recruited. In pSS, median levels of serum CXCL13, but not salivary CXCL13 was significantly higher as compared to the corresponding levels in healthy controls (p < 0.001). Using cutoff of 43.03 pg/ml obtained by ROC, serum CXCL13 positivity was seen in 31/43(72.1%) cases and 10/34 (29.4%) controls, respectively. Serum CXCL13 levels among pSS patients on treatment, treatment naive patients and healthy controls were statistically different. Serum CXCL13 positivity was associated with oral symptoms (p = 0.02), ocular signs (p = 0.03) and hyperglobulinemia (p = 0.01). There was no association of salivary CXCL13 level with any of the clinical variables. While serum CXCL13 was elevated in pSS, salivary CXCL13 was not. In conclusion, serum CXCL13 positivity was found to be associated with oral symptoms, ocular signs and hyperglobulinemia in pSS.				
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	population. This study was conducted to determine the clinical manifestations, antibiotic susceptibility pattern, treatment and outcome of culture confirmed brucellosis. Adult patients with culture confirmed brucellosis who presented to a large teaching hospital in South India between 2009 and 2015 were included. A diagnosis of brucellosis was confirmed on automated culture. Clinical profile, laboratory parameters, drug susceptibility, treatment and outcome were documented by reviewing the medical records. The cohort comprised of 22 patients with mean +/- SD age of 42 +/- 13 years. Twenty one (95.5%) was male. Thirteen (59%) patients were from rural area and risk of acquisition of brucellosis including occupational exposure or consumption of unpasteurized milk was evident in 16 (72.7%) patients. The mean duration of symptoms before presentation was 54.5 +/- 52 days. The commonest clinical presentation was prolonged fever without a definite focus in 18 patients (82%), whereas 2 (9%) patients had osteoarticular involvement and one patient (4.5%) each had genital involvement and endocarditis. Eighteen patients (82%) with uncomplicated brucellosis were treated with aminoglycoside and doxycycline for 6 weeks. There was no relapse or mortality at 18 +/- 9 months of follow up. Brucellosis in this cohort had acute or subacute presentation with prolonged fever and bacteremia. High index of clinical suspicion based on significant epidemiological history along with automated blood culture improves the efficiency of diagnosis. Cure with lack of relapse among these cases suggests a combination therapy with doxycycline and aminoglycoside is highly effective for the treatment.				
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	culture conditions aid in the generation of iPSCs which are more suitable for disease modelling and clinical applications. We describe here an iPSC line generated using such conditions, which expressed all the pluripotency markers, retained normal karyotype and exhibited the potential for tri-lineage differentiation, both in-vitro and in-vivo. This is the first iPSC line available from a healthy Indian individual for researchers.				
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	malformations have been treated with endovascular interventions, although these techniques are still being refined. The authors highlight the broad concept of eDVAs and hope that this work will serve as a basis for future studies investigating the role of evolving focal venous hypertension/global intracranial hypertension and possibilities of fetal surgical intervention in these cases.				
278.	Manuel, D., Ghosh, G., Joseph, G., Lahiri, A. and George, P. V. Criss-cross heart: Transthoracic echocardiographic features Indian Heart J; 2018, 70 (1): 71-74 Address: Department of Cardiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Cardiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Electronic Address: joseph59@gmail.com. OBJECTIVE: To study the echocardiographic features of criss-cross heart (CCH), a congenital cardiac anomaly characterized by crossed ventricular inflow streams, in Indian patients. METHODS: In this retrospective observational study, all pediatric echocardiograms performed in a single tertiary care institution in South India over a three-year period were scrutinized for a diagnosis of CCH. Demographic, clinical and echocardiographic data were collected from patients' medical records and echocardiographic database. Crossed ventricular inflow streams was identified when there was inability to visualize both atrio-ventricular valves in a single imaging plane in cardiac four chamber view. RESULTS: CCH was diagnosed in five patients from 10,500 pediatric echocardiographic studies. The age at diagnosis ranged from one month to 8 years. Cyanosis was present in all but one of the five cases. Crossed ventricular inflow streams was present by definition in all cases, whereas superior-inferior ventricular relationship was present in only three cases. All cases were associated with ventricular septal defects. Atrio-ventricular discordance was seen in three cases and concordance in two. Ventriculo-arterial discordance was seen in three cases had pulmonary stenosis and the other two had pulmonary arterial hypertension. Straddling of AV valve was observed in four cases and hypoplastic aortic arch in one case. CONCLUSION: CCH is an extremely rare congenital cardiac anomaly. Superior-inferior ventricular relationship often co-exists with CCH, but is not necessarily present in all cases. CCH requires early diagnosis because of its common association with diverse cardiac anomalies.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	CARDIOLOGY	PMID:29455791 PMC ID:5902827
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280.	Mathew, A. J., Chandrasekaran, N. and Oommen, V. All play and no work: skits and models in teaching skeletal muscle physiology Adv Physiol Educ; 2018, 42 (2): 242-246 Address: Department of Physiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PHYSIOLOGY	PMI D:29616579 WOS:000429537400013 SCOPUS
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282.	Mathew, Ashish J., Bird, Paul, Gupta, Ankan, George, Renu and Danda, Debashish Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) of feet demonstrates subclinical inflammatory joint disease in cutaneous psoriasis patients without clinical arthritis Clinical Rheumatology; 2018, 37 (2): 383-388 We evaluated inflammation at the small joints of feet in psoriasis patients without clinical arthritis (PsO) as against clinically overt psoriatic arthritis (PsA) patients, using a low field magnet extremity MRI (eMRI). Patients with psoriasis recruited from dermatology and rheumatology clinics of a tertiary care institution in southern India were divided into PsO and PsA groups. Demographic and physical examination details were recorded. Consenting patients underwent non-contrast eMRI of the right foot. Two trained readers scored the MRI parameters of inflammation (synovitis, tenosynovitis, osteitis) using a modification of the PsA magnetic resonance imaging score (PsAMRIS). Proportion of patients with any sign of MRI inflammation was noted. Clinical variables were compared with inflammation scores for any association. A total of 83 patients (30 PsA and 53 PsO), with 75% males and mean age of 42.2 +/- 11.6 years were included. There was no statistical difference between the median eMRI inflammatory scores in PsA and PsO patients (p = 0.493). Evidence of inflammation was present in 33.9% and 50% patients in the PsO and PsA groups, respectively. Early arthritis for	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY AND RHEUMATOLOGY, DERMATOLOGY	WOS:000423034600012

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	psoriatic patients screening questionnaire (EARP) score of >= 3 was significantly associated with imaging features of inflammation in PsO group (p = 0.044). This study corroborates a high proportion of subclinical inflammation in small joints of foot in PsO patients, which needs to be reproduced in larger, longitudinal cohorts to predict risk factors for progression to future PsA development.				
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	in preterm, very-low-birthweight (VLBW) babies, as well as paucity of growth charts that follow their postnatal growth. Aim: To evaluate and plot postnatal weight gain patterns of preterm VLBW babies of < 34 weeks' gestation born at a tertiary care neonatal unit in South India. Methods: Weight gain patterns of all preterm (27 to < 34 weeks' gestation) and VLBW (< 1500 g) neonates were used for plotting the centile curves by retrospective review of electronic medical records. The growth velocity was calculated from birth and from the time baby regained their birth weight. Results: Mean growth rate (±SD) of these babies was 16.2±2.4 g/kg/day and average time to regain birth weight was 14.2 days (range 12.0-17.6). Conclusion: The recommended growth velocity of 10-15 g/kg/day can be achieved using unfortified expressed breast milk, though at higher feeding volumes of 200 ml/kg/day. These centile curves can be useful for monitoring postnatal growth. © The Author [2017]. Published by Oxford University Press. All rights reserved.				
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288.	Mathuram, A. J., Michael, J. S., Turaka, V. P., Jasmine, S., Carey, R. and Ramya, I. Mycobacterial blood culture as the only means of diagnosis of disseminated tuberculosis in advanced HIV infection Tropical Doctor; 2018, 48 (2): 100-102 The diagnosis of disseminated tuberculosis (TB) in advanced HIV infection is often delayed because of difficulty in obtaining suitable specimens for culture. A total of 32 such patients from South India with positive mycobacterial blood cultures were studied over ten years. Almost all (90%) had a febrile illness and the majority (68.7%) had clinical lung involvement, but only 27.3% had positive sputum smears. Liver biopsy yielded a positive diagnosis in only 1/7. Cytopenia was almost universal (96.9%). Bone marrow cultures were, however, positive in 54.8%, of whom one-quarter grew atypical mycobacteria. Mycobacterial blood culture is therefore a useful adjunct test to diagnose TB in advanced HIV. © 2017, © The Author(s) 2017.	INT	JAN TO JUNE	MEDICINE, INFECTIOUS DISEASES	WOS:000429972900004
289.	Mathuram, A. J., Singh, S., Abraham, O. C., Zachariah, A., Rupali, P., Varghese, G. M., Karthik, R. and Clarence, P. Antiretroviral therapy under the national program: Experience of a single large centre in Southern India Journal of Clinical and Diagnostic Research; 2018, 12 (3): OC05-OC07 Introduction: The National Aids Control Organization (NACO) has been providing free Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) in India since 2004. Several concerns exist regarding functional outcome, possible low rates of treatment adherence, treatment failure, mortality and high drug toxicity with the provision of large scale free ART. Aim: This study was done to evaluate the outcomes of ability to return to work, lost to follow up rates, treatment failure and drug toxicity requiring regimen change from the ART centre located in Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India, which is a large tertiary care centre attached to an academic Infectious Disease and medical unit in Southern India. Materials and Methods: A prospective longitudinal follow up study on patients enrolled in the NACO ART centre at a large tertiary care hospital in Southern India between April 2008 and April 2012 were followed up for a minimum of two years. Outcomes assessed were WHO clinical stage and functional status at the end of the follow up period, rate of lost to follow up, failure of ART, mortality rate and drug toxicity requiring change of regimen. Results: There were 963 patients included in the study with a mean follow up period of 39.78 months (SD 11.34). At the end of the follow up period, 914 (94.9%) of the patients were asymptomatic (WHO clinical stage 1T) and 92.3% of all patients on	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	MEDICINE, INFECTIOUS DISEASES	SCOPUS

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	treatment were able to return to work after ART initiation. We found low rates of lost to follow up (3.2%), drug toxicity and mortality (5.8%) compared to data from other centres in India. A total of 136 adverse events were recorded, the most common being Zidovudine induced anaemia (7.2%). There was also a very low rate of treatment failure in our cohort. Conclusion: This data shows the overall success of the program and the feasibility of having low rates of lost to follow up because of rigorous methods used in follow up of patients and support offered by attachment to an academic infectious disease unit. © 2018, Journal of Clinical and Diagnostic Research. All rights reserved.				
290	Matthai, S. M., Jacob, S., Devasia, A. J., Bindra, M., David, V. G. and Varughese, S. Unmasking and successful management of light chain deposition disease of kidney in pregnancy: a complex case, mirroring the complex needs of pregnancy with kidney disease in India J Nephrol; 2018, 31 (5): 785-791 Address: Central Electron Microscopy Facility, Wellcome Trust Research Laboratory, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, 632004, India. Department of Nephrology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, 632004, India. Jacobshibu@gmail.com. Department of Haematology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, 632004, India. Department of General Pathology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, 632004, India. Department of Nephrology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, 632004, India. Pregnancy offers a precious window of opportunity to diagnose previously undetected or new onset kidney diseases in emerging countries like India, where access to medical, educational and health care facilities are not equitably distributed across varied sections of society. We report a case of a 33 year-old primi gravida who had a successful pregnancy following what was initially considered to represent preeclampsia at 38 weeks of gestation, in whom a subsequent kidney biopsy for persistence of pregnancy-related acute kidney injury (Pr-AKI) revealed light chain deposition disease (LCDD). The etiological evaluation of LCDD led to the detection of an underlying plasma cell dyscrasia which was treated effectively with chemotherapy and autologous stem cell transplant. In this report, we explore the hitherto uncharted pathophysiological relationship between LCDD and pregnancy-related kidney injury by transmission electron microscopic (TEM) studies of endothelial injury in this setting, and underscore the benefits of medical care in a multidisciplinary environment which yielded gratifying results in preservation of	INT	JAN TO JUNE	WELLCOME TRUST RESEARCH LABORATORY, NEPHROLOGY, HAEMATOLOGY, GENERAL PATHOLOGY	PMID:30187379 WOS:000446407100018 SCOPUS

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291.	Matthai, S. M., Mohapatra, A., Mathew, A. J., Roy, S., Varughese, S., Danda, D. and Tamilarasi, V. Podocyte Infolding Glomerulopathy (PIG) in a Patient With Undifferentiated Connective Tissue Disease: A Case Report Am J Kidney Dis; 2018, 72 (1): 149-153 Address: Central Electron Microscopy Facility, Wellcome Trust Research Laboratory, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Nephrology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Electronic Address: auroanjali@gmail.com. Department of Rheumatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Pathology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Nephrology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Nephrology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Podocyte infolding glomerulopathy (PIG) is a recently described pathologic entity characterized by diffuse podocyte infolding into the glomerular basement membrane (GBM) associated with ultrastructurally demonstrable microspherular aggregates. The clinical features, significance, and pathogenesis of this condition are still not well delineated because only a few cases have been documented to date, all from Japan. We report a case of PIG associated with undifferentiated connective tissue disease in an Indian woman who presented with nephrotic syndrome while undergoing treatment for an autoimmune disorder. Ultrastructural analysis of the kidney biopsy specimen revealed unusual subepithelial aggregates of microspherules admixed with few microtubules alongside extensive infolding of podocyte foot processes into the underlying GBMs. Characteristic clustering of these microparticles near the invaginated tips of podocyte foot processes in the GBM was observed on transmission electron microscopy. The patient's clinical condition responded favorably to immunosuppressive therapy. The clinical, light microscopic, and diagnostic electron microscopic features of this condition are highlighted in this report in an attempt to c	INT	JAN TO JUNE	WELLCOME TRUST RESEARCH LABORATORY, NEPHROLOGY, HAEMATOLOGY, GENERAL PATHOLOGY, NEPHROLOGY	PMID:29395482 WOS:000436821400019 SCOPUS
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	Facility, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Nephrology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of General Pathology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Infectious Diseases, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Highly active anti retroviral therapy (HAART) has dramatically improved life expectancy of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infected patients, converting HIV infection into a chronic illness with associated changes in its attendant renal complications. The past two decades have witnessed a decrease in the prevalence of HIV associated nephropathy (HIVAN), traditionally considered to be the hall mark of renal involvement in HIV infection. Simultaneously a host of other glomerular and tubulo-interstitial diseases have emerged, expanding the spectrum of HIV associated renal diseases, predominant among which is HIV associated immune complex mediated kidney diseases (HIVICK). Of the diverse glomerular diseases constituting HIVICK, fibrillary glomerulonephritis (FGN) remains a rarity, with only two existing reports to date, confined to patients co-infected with Hepatitis C virus (HCV). The pathogenetic role of HIV in these patients remains under a cloud because of previously well established association of HCV infection and FGN. We report a case of FGN in a HIV seropositive, HCV negative Indian patient, highlighting the diagnostic electron microscopy (EM) findings of FGN and strengthening the causal association of HIV with FGN. In view of increasing heterogeneity of renal complications in HIV infection, the diagnostic utility of a comprehensive renal biopsy evaluation inclusive of EM is emphasized for appropriate selection of treatment modalities.				
293.	Matthai, T., George, V. M., Rao, A. S., Oommen, A. T., Korula, R. J., Devasahayam, S. and Poonnoose, P. M. Biomechanical assessment of an alternative method of staple fixation for anchoring the Bone Patellar Tendon Bone graft to the tibia J Clin Orthop Trauma; 2018, 9 (2): 157-162 Address: Department of Orthopaedics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, 632004, India. Department of Biomedical Engineering, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, 632004, India. Introduction: The Anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) is the most commonly injured ligament around the knee and is best reconstructed with a biological graft. For ideal graft fixation, there should be sufficient initial strength to avoid failure of fixation and sufficient stiffness to restore the stability of the knee and to avoid gradual loosening in the post-operative period.When considering	INT	JAN TO JUNE	ORTHOPAEDICS, BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING	PMID:29896020 PMC ID:5995006 SCOPUS

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	fixation of Bone Patellar Tendon Bone (BPTB) grafts to the tibia, the interference screw is considered to be the gold standard. As an alternative, we have used of staples and stainless steel (SS) wire to anchor the BPTB graft to the tibia and femur. The aim of this study was to assess the biomechanical efficacy of this fixation technique for anchoring the BPTB graft to the proximal tibia. We used a bovine model to compare three fixation techniques -interference screw, braided polyester sutures tied to a screw post and SS wire tied to a staple. Materials and methods: Fifteen fresh bovine knees specimens were used for the study. The patella was fixed to a load cell and the construct was pre-tensioned to 40N to allow for creep of the tendon. The BPTB graft was fixed to the tibia using the three fixation techniques - the interference screw, polyester suture tied to a post, and SS wire anchored to a staple. After fixation, the graft was subjected to a single load to failure test, and the forces generated were recorded. The ultimate failure load (the pullout strength), stiffness, and mode of failure were noted. Results: In the single load-to-failure biomechanical testing, the ultimate failure load and stiffness for Staple with SS wire were 726.40N and 61.9N/mm respectively. For the screw post and polyester suture, it was 733.20N and 53.22N/mm, and for Interference screw - 594.00N and 79.50 N/mm respectively. There was no statistically significant difference in the stiffness or ultimate failure load between the three fixation techniques. The graft fixation using interference screws failed at the bone- tunnel interface by slippage of the bone block from the tunnel in all 5 specimens. In all 5 of the specimens fixed with polyester suture and the screw post, the fixation failed when the polyester suture snapped. When the SS wire and staple construct was stressed, the graft failed as the SS wire to the staple unraveled as the load was applied. Conclusion: The biomechanical properties of BPTB graft fixation with SS wire ti	1101			
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	Hybrid trials that include both clinical and implementation science				
	outcomes are increasingly relevant for public health researchers				
	that aim to rapidly translate study findings into evidence-based				
	practice. The DeWorm3 Project is a series of hybrid trials testing the				
	feasibility of interrupting the transmission of soil transmitted				
	helminths (STH), while conducting implementation science research				
	that contextualizes clinical research findings and provides guidance				
	on opportunities to optimize delivery of STH interventions. The				
	purpose of DeWorm3 implementation science studies is to ensure				
	rapid and efficient translation of evidence into practice. DeWorm3				
	will use stakeholder mapping to identify individuals who influence or are influenced by school-based or community-wide mass drug				
	administration (MDA) for STH and to evaluate network dynamics				
	that may affect study outcomes and future policy development.				
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	data needed to identify factors that shape, contextualize, and				
	explain DeWorm3 trial outputs and outcomes. Structural readiness				
	surveys will be used to evaluate the factors that drive health system				
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	community-wide MDA for STH, in order to target change				
	management activities and identify opportunities for sustaining or				
	scaling the intervention. Process mapping will be used to				
	understand what aspects of the intervention are adaptable across				
	heterogeneous implementation settings and to identify				
	contextually-relevant modifiable bottlenecks that may be addressed				
	to improve the intervention delivery process and to achieve				
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296.	Miraclin, A. T., Perumalla, S. K., Prasad, J. D. and Sudarsanam, T. D. Septicemic listeriosis: An emerging food-borne illness in India? Indian J Med Microbiol; 2018, 36 (1): 145-146 Address: Department of Medicine - 2, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Listeriosis is a food borne illness of significant public health concern, caused by consumption of food contaminated by gram negative bacilli, Listeria monocytogenes. Clinical listeriosis is relatively rare	INT	JAN TO JUNE		PMI D:29735848 WOS:000431851400030 SCOPUS

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	and it has varying spectrum of presentation, ranging from severe sepsis in immune-compromised individuals, febrile gastroenteritis and meningo-encephalitis in infants and adults. This disease is under reported in developing nations due to the lack of awareness and inadequate laboratory facilities to promptly isolate and identify the organism. We report a case of sporadic food-borne listeriosis, in an otherwise healthy individual presenting with meningo-encephalitis. Prompt identification and appropriate antibiotic therapy led to a favorable outcome.				
297.	Miranda, B., Aaron, S., Arauz, A., Barinagarrementeria, F., Borhani-Haghighi, A., Carvalho, M., Conforto, A. B., Coutinho, J. M., Stam, J., Canhao, P. and Ferro, J. M. The benefit of EXtending oral antiCOAgulation treatment (EXCOA) after acute cerebral vein thrombosis (CVT): EXCOA-CVT cluster randomized trial protocol Int J Stroke; 2018, 13 (7): 771-774 Address: 1 Department of Neurosciences and Mental Health, Neurology, Hospital de Santa Maria-CHLN, Lisbon, Portugal. 2 Instituto de Medicina Molecular, Faculty of Medicine - University of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal. 3 Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, India. 4 Department of Neurology, Instituto Nacional de Neurologia y Neurocirurgia Manuel Velasco Suarez, Mexico City, Mexico. 5 Hospital H+, Department of Neurology, Oueretaro, Mexico. 6 Clinical Neurology Research Center, Shiraz University of Medical Sciences, Shiraz, Islamic Republic of Iran. 7 Neurology Department, Hospital de Sao Joao - Centro Hospitalar Sao Joao, Porto, Portugal. 8 Department of Clinical Neurosciences and Mental Health, Faculty of Medicine - University of Porto, Porto, Portugal. 9 Neurology Clinical Division, Hospital das Clinicas - Sao Paulo University, Sao Paulo, Brazil. 10 Department of Neurology, Hospital Israelita Albert Einstein, Sao Paulo, Brazil. 11 Department of Neurology, Academic Medical Center, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Rationale After a cerebral vein thrombosis, there is an increased risk of further venous thromboembolic events. The optimal duration of anticoagulation after cerebral vein thrombosis is unknown. Aim To compare efficacy and safety of a policy of short- (3-6 months) versus long-term (12 months) anticoagulation (any type venous thromboembolic events. Sample size estimates A sample of 1428 patients (749 per arm) allows detecting a reduction from 10 to 5% in the risk of venous thromboembolic	INT	JAN TO JUNE		PMID:29771211 WOS:000446484400016 SCOPUS

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	event recurrence with 80% power at 5% significance, with 3% dropout rate. Methods and design An international multicenter, prospective cluster-randomized trial with equal allocation between both interventions (ISRCTN25644448). Each cluster is a participating center, which accepted to be randomly allocated to one of the anticoagulation policies. Eligible patients are adults with radiologically confirmed cerebral vein thrombosis within 30 days, and stable to initiate post-acute anticoagulation. Patients judged by the investigator to be an absolute indication for permanent anticoagulation are excluded. Follow-up is at 6, 12 and 24 months. Study outcomes Primary efficacy outcome is any symptomatic and confirmed fatal/nonfatal venous thromboembolic event (recurrent-cerebral vein thrombosis or non-cerebral venous thromboembolic event). Primary safety outcomes include bleeding events during treatment periods and death from any cause. Discussion This study responds to a knowledge gap in the post-acute management of cerebral vein thrombosis patients by comparing short- versus long-term anticoagulation for the prevention of venous thromboembolic event recurrence.				
298.	Mirza, H., Roberts, E., Al-Belushi, M., Al-Salti, H., Al-Hosni, A., Jeyaseelan, L. and Al-Adawi, S. School dropout and associated factors among omani children with attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder: A cross-sectional study Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics; 2018, 39 (2): 109-115 Objective: Despite the rising incidence of attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), there is a dearth of studies examining the rate of school dropout and its correlates in non-Western populations. Methods: Medical records were scrutinized to identify Omani children diagnosed with ADHD from 2006 to 2014 in a tertiary care hospital in Oman. The persistence of ADHD symptoms, school performance and dropout, as well as sociodemographic characteristics were examined. Results: Three hundred sixty-seven children fulfilled the diagnosis of ADHD based on Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (Fourth Edition) (DSM-IV) criteria and 16.6% of them had dropped out of school. School dropout was associated with poor school performance, comorbid conduct disorder, and parental divorce. Conclusion: This study from Oman concurs with existing literature that school dropout is common among children with ADHD. Concerted efforts are needed to mitigate this trend. Management strategies should incorporate the treatment of comorbid conduct disorder. © 2017 Wolters Kluwer Health, Inc.	INT	JAN TO JUNE		WOS:000429375100077 SCOPUS

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299.	Misale, P. and Lepcha, A. Congenital Cholesteatoma in Adults-Interesting Presentations and Management Indian Journal of Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery; 2018, 70 (4): 578-582 Address: Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632004, India To report a series of adult patients diagnosed with congenital cholesteatoma (CC) with respect to symptoms, different varieties of presentation, surgical findings and approach used, complications and the postoperative results. A retrospective chart review of adult cases of CC who were treated in the period from January 2014–2017 was carried out in a tertiary care center. Levenson's criteria were used for diagnosis. Diagnosis was confirmed by imaging and intraoperatively. Postoperative results and complications were also analyzed. Six adult cases of CC were studied with a mean follow up of 10 months. Interesting presentations included otitis media with effusion, non-resolving facial nerve palsy, post aural discharge and meningitis. It included 3 cases of petrous apex cholesteatoma, 2 patients with cholesteatoma involving both the middle ear and mastoid and 1 patient with mastoid cholesteatoma. The operative procedures included canal wall up mastoidectomy (1 patient), atticotomy (1 patient), canal wall down mastoidectomy (1 patient), translabyrinthine and transotic excision of mass with blind sac closure (2 patients) and partial labyrinthectomy (1 patient). Complications encountered during surgery were cerebrospinal fluid leak and worsening of hearing in 2 patients and 1 patient respectively. CC can have variety of interesting presentations in adult population and they may or may not have the classical white mass behind the tympanic membrane. Appropriate individualized surgical planning and intervention gives good results. © 2018, Association of Otolaryngologists of India.	INT	JAN TO JUNE		SCOPUS
300.	Misale, P., Lepcha, A. and Tyagi, A. Glomus tympanicum: Clinical presentation, management and outcomes Indian Journal of Otology; 2018, 24 (1): 56-59 Objective: The objective of the study is to describe the clinical presentation, management, and outcomes of glomus tympanicum (GT) Grade 1-3 (based on Glasscock Jackson staging). Materials and Methods: This is a retrospective chart review of five patients who presented with GT (Grade 1-3) over a period of 4 years to a tertiary hospital. All of them had undergone tumor excision without preoperative embolization. Details of clinical features, diagnostic protocol, surgical approach based on grade of tumor, tumor control, treatment complications, and follow-up results were noted and analyzed. Results: All five patients presented with unilateral hearing	INT	JAN TO JUNE		SCOPUS

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	loss and tinnitus. Imaging done was magnetic resonance imaging with gadolinium of the brain and high-resolution temporal bone computed tomography. Three patients had transmastoid facial recess approach and one had transcanal approach for tumor removal. One patient had canal wall down mastoidectomy. The average follow-up was 34.8 months. Symptomatic improvement in pulsatile tinnitus was observed in all patients. Hearing remained the same in 1 patient and improved in 4 patients. One patient presented with cholesteatoma 1 year postsurgery. None of the patients had recurrence/residual tumor. Conclusions: GT Grades 1-3 can be managed successfully without preoperative embolization. This gives satisfactory results with respect to hearing improvement and recurrence rates. © 2018 Medknow Publications. All rights reserved.				
301.	Mishra, A. K., Arvind, V. H., Muliyil, D., Kuriakose, C. K., George, A. A., Karuppusami, R., Benton Carey, R. A., Mani, S. and Hansdak, S. G. Cerebrovascular injury in cryptococcal meningitis International Journal of Stroke; 2018, 13 (1): 57-65 Background: Cryptococcal meningitis continues to be one of the common causes of chronic central nervous system infection worldwide. Individuals with cryptococcal meningitis can occasionally present with small vessel vasculitis causing infarcts primarily in the basal ganglia, internal capsule, and thalamus. Literature regarding patterns of cerebrovascular injury among patients with cryptococcal meningitis is scanty, and outcome following these vascular involvements is unknown. Aim: To study the clinical profile, imaging findings, and details of vascular territory involved among patients admitted with cryptococcal meningitis and central nervous system infarct in a tertiary care center from India. And to compare the outcomes of patients of cryptococcal meningitis with or without central nervous system infarcts in terms of mortality and morbidity, Methodology: A total of 151 patients with microbiologically proven cryptococcal meningitis over a time span of 11 years were retrospectively enrolled into the study. Of these, 66 patients met the inclusion criteria of having appropriate imaging of the brain. The presence of infarct in the imaging was analyzed by two independent radiologists. Patterns of central nervous system involvement and types of vascular injury were ascertained based on radiological parameters. Clinical parameters and outcomes of patients with and without infarcts were compared. Results: Twenty (13%) of these patients had evidence of central nervous system infarcts on imaging. The mean age of patients with and without infarcts was 41 years and 38 years, respectively. Male predominance was present among both the groups. The presence of fever, neck stiffness, positive blood culture, and hydrocephalus in	INT	JAN TO JUNE		WOS:000417868600008 SCOPUS

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	central nervous system imaging was similar among patients with or without infarct. Longer duration of illness, low sensorium at the time of presentation, low Glasgow Coma Scale score, presence of meningeal inflammation, cryptococcomas, and basal exudates in imaging were higher in patients with infarct. All the infarcts were of the lacunar type. Sixty percent of the cerebrovascular infarcts were acute in nature, 50% of these being multiple. Unilateral infarcts were seen in 70% of the patients. The most common site of infarct was the basal ganglia, others being distributed over the thalamus, frontal, temporal, parieto-occipital regions in the descending order. The presence of neurovascular involvement in the form of infarcts to the risk of morbidity and mortality had an odds ratio of 9.1 and 2.6, respectively. Conclusion: Neurovascular involvement in chronic cryptococcal meningitis is a rare entity. These tend to present as multiple lacunar infarcts. Mortality and morbidity associated with these patients is higher when compared to patients who do not have infarcts. This result suggests that vascular injury plays a role in predicting outcome of patients with cryptococcal meningitis. Future studies are needed to understand the mechanism by which vascular events (infarcts) occur and result in poor outcome. © 2017 World Stroke Organization.				
302.	Mishra, A., Binu, A., Abraham, G., Vanjare, H., George, T. and Iyadurai, R. Cerebrovascular Injury Following Scorpion Sting and Snake Envenomation: A Case Series Can J Neurol Sci; 2018, 45 (6): 669-674 Address: 1Unit V,Department of Internal Medicine,Christian Medical College,Vellore,Tamil Nadu,India. 2Unit III,Department of Internal Medicine,Christian Medical College,Vellore,Tamil Nadu,India. 3Unit I,Department of Internal Medicine,Christian Medical College,Vellore,Tamil Nadu,India. 4Department of Radiology,Christian Medical College,Vellore,Tamil Nadu,India. 5Unit II,Department of Internal Medicine,Christian Medical College,Vellore,Tamil Nadu,India. BACKGROUND: Neurological complications following snake and scorpion bite are diverse. Literature regarding patterns of cerebrovascular injury (CVI) and outcomes among these patients is scarce. This is a descriptive study of the clinical profile, brain imaging findings, mechanisms of injury, vascular territory involvement and outcomes of CVI following scorpion and snake envenomation, in a tertiary care center in South India.MethodologyPatients with scorpion sting- and snake envenomation-related complications were retrospectively enrolled. Neuroimaging was performed on five patients with each	INT	JAN TO JUNE		PMI D:30289088

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	envenomation, and they were found to have neurological involvement. On imaging, three patients were found to have a CVI. Clinical, radiological parameters and outcomes of these patients were studied. We also performed a review of the literature and analyzed the finding of all the cases. ResultIn all, three patients each had evidence of CVI in imaging. An additional 32 reports of scorpion sting-related CVI and 35 reports of snake envenomation-related CVI were identified from the literature. There was a male predominance among these patients. Mean age of the patients with scorpion sting was 42.8 years as compared with 33 years for the patients with snake envenomation. Features of severe envenomation were present in all patients. Persistently depressed sensorium and new-onset focal neurological deficits were seen in 70% of all patients. Infarcts were seen in 88% of patients with snake envenomation and 53% of patients with a scorpion sting. Mortality was 28% among patients with a scorpion sting as compared with 8% with snake envenomation. CONCLUSION: Cerebrovascular injuries are uncommon neurological manifestations following scorpion and snake envenomation. These tend to occur in younger patients. Infarcts are more common than bleeds.				
303.	Mishra, K. and David, J. A. Misdiagnosis of central motor dysfunction in a child with craniovertebral junction anomaly-a case report Journal of Clinical and Diagnostic Research; 2018, 12 (5): SD05-SD06 Congenital anomalies of the Craniovertebral Junction (CVJ), though clinically significant, have often been misdiagnosed especially in the paediatric age group. Timely diagnosis and interventions can improve clinical outcome and prevent complications. Better understanding of the regional anatomy and pathophysiology of anomalies along with a strong clinical suspicion, accurate examination of clinical signs and better clinical correlation can aid in early diagnosis. We illustrate the above by exploring the clinical scenario of an 11-year-old female child with multiple CVJ anomalies resulting in spastic qaudriparesis and thereby, discuss what could have prevented the delay in diagnosis. © 2018, Journal of Clinical and Diagnostic Research. All rights reserved.	INT	JAN TO JUNE		SCOPUS
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	India. Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi, India. Freelance Scientist. BACKGROUND: Seasonal outbreaks of acute encephalitis syndrome (AES) with high fatality have been occurring in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh, India, for several years. We conducted investigations during the 2016 outbreak to identify the etiology. METHODS: We included 407 hospitalized AES patients with cerebrospinal fluid pleocytosis (>5 cells/mm) in our study. These patients were clinically examined; their blood and cerebrospinal fluid samples were collected and investigated for scrub typhus (ST), Japanese encephalitis virus (JEV), dengue virus and spotted fever group of Rickettsia by serology and/or polymerase chain reaction. RESULTS: Of the 407 AES patients, 266 (65.4%), 42 (10.3%) and 29 (7.1%) were diagnosed to have ST, JEV and dengue infection, respectively. Four patients were diagnosed to have spotted fever group of Rickettsia infection. A significantly higher proportion of ST patients with AES had hepatomegaly, splenomegaly and facial edema. The common hematologic and biochemical abnormalities among ST-positive patients include thrombocytopenia, raised liver enzymes and bilirubin levels. The case fatality ratio was significantly higher among ST-negative AES patients (36.2% vs. 15.2%; P < 0.05). CONCLUSIONS: ST accounted for approximately two third of the AES case-patients. Efforts are required to identify the etiology of AES case-patients who are negative for ST, JEV and dengue fever.				
306.	Mittal, R., Peter, J., Mani, T. and David, S. Visual outcome and patient satisfaction after cataract surgery: A pragmatic study Clinical Epidemiology and Global Health; 2018, Introduction: Cataract is a leading cause of blindness globally. This study compared the best corrected visual acuity (BCVA), surgically induced astigmatism (SIA), endothelial cell loss, and patient satisfaction between corneal section phacoemulsification (CSP) and Blumenthal manual small incision cataract surgery (MSICS). Methods: In this pragmatic study, following pre-operative assessment, patients made a choice to undergo either CSP or MSICS after the options were explained by the ophthalmologist. Pre- and post-operative (Day 1, 1-week, 6-weeks) refraction, keratometry and specular microscopy were performed. Subjective improvement in visual function was assessed before surgery and at 6-weeks post-surgery using the 7-item VF-7 scale that assesses functional status and quality-of-life changes. Results: Of the 178 eyes, 99 had CSP and 79 MSICS. At 6-weeks, BCVA of &It 6/18 was achieved in 100% in CSP and 96.2% in MSICS (p = 0.27). The mean (SD) SIA was significantly lower (p = 0.003) with CSP (1.29 ± 0.71)	INT	JAN TO JUNE		SCOPUS

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	D) than MSICS (1.01 \pm 0.49 D). Endothelial loss was lower (p = 0.008) with MSICS (271 \pm 280 vs. 527 \pm 475 cells/mm2). Subjective improvement in visual function was better after MSICS than with CSP. Conclusion: Despite similar visual acuity with CSP and MSICS, subjective improvement was better with MSICS. SIA was lower with CSP while endothelial loss was lower with MSICS. © 2018				
307.	Mogili, K. D., Karuppusami, R., Thomas, S., Chandy, A., Kamath, M. S. and Tk, A. Prevalence of vitamin D deficiency in infertile women with polycystic ovarian syndrome and its association with metabolic syndrome - A prospective observational study Eur J Obstet Gynecol Reprod Biol; 2018, 229 15-19 Address: Reproductive Medicine Unit, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, India. Reproductive Medicine Unit, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, India. Electronic Address: dockamz@gmail.com. OBJECTIVE: The main purpose of this study was to determine the prevalence of vitamin D deficiency in infertile women with polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS) and to explore the association of hypovitaminosis D with metabolic syndrome in women with PCOS. STUDY DESIGN: A prospective observational study was conducted in a tertiary care, infertility centre from March 2016 to March 2017. The primary outcome was estimation of the prevalence of vitamin D deficiency in infertile PCOS women. Secondary outcomes were to study the association of hypovitaminosis D with metabolic syndrome, obesity and hypercholesterolemia in PCOS patients. RESULTS: A total of 256 infertile women with PCOS were included in the study. Vitamin D deficiency was observed in 70.3% women, 20.3% were vitamin D insufficient and only 9.4% were vitamin D sufficient. Metabolic syndrome was seen in 80/256 (31.25%) women. There was no evidence of an association between hypovitaminosis D and metabolic syndrome, obesity on hyperlipidemia. There was a strong evidence of an association between waist circumference of >80 cm and vitamin D deficiency (p = 0.02). CONCLUSION: Vitamin D deficiency is highly prevalent in infertile PCOS women and there seems to be no association between hypovitaminosis D and the metabolic syndrome in the same population.	INT	JAN TO JUNE		PMID:30096464 WOS:000447557200003 SCOPUS
308.	Mogili, K. D., Selliah, H. Y., Chandy, A., Kunjummen, A. T. and Kamath, M. S. Do poor responders have poor perinatal outcomes? A retrospective analysis of 1386 assisted reproductive technology cycles	INT	JAN TO JUNE		SCOPUS

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	Middle East Fertility Society Journal; 2018, 23 (2): 93-97 Objective: The purpose of this study was to evaluate whether poor responder women have adverse perinatal outcomes compared to normo responders following assisted reproductive technology (ART). Methods: A retrospective cohort study was conducted in a university level infertility unit between January 2010 to December 2015. Women undergoing fresh IVF cycles were included. Poor responders (≤3 oocytes) and normo responders (4–15 oocytes) were analyzed. Perinatal outcomes such as preterm birth (PTB), low birth weight (LBW), early preterm birth (early PTB) and very low birth weight (very LBW) were recorded. Results: A total of 1386 ART cycles were analyzed. Final analysis included 40 and 318 live births in poor and normo responders respectively. The risk of PTB (30.3% vs. 24.8%; OR 1.32, 95% CI: 0.59–2.9), LBW (33.3% vs. 20.1%; OR 1.99, 95% CI 0.90–4.4), early PTB (3% vs. 2.2%; OR 1.40, 95% CI 0.16–12.4) and very LBW (3% vs. 1.8%: OR 1.72, 95% CI 0.19–15.9) were not significantly different between poor and normo responders. The subgroup analysis within poor responders did not show any significant difference in perinatal outcomes in women aged less and more than 35 years. Conclusion: The current study findings suggest no increased risk of adverse perinatal outcomes in poor responders compared to normo responders following ART. These findings need to be further validated by larger studies. © 2017 Middle East Fertility Society				
309.	Mohamad, G., Amritanand, R., David, K. S., Krishnan, V. and Arockiaraj, J. Treatment Strategy and Outcomes in Patients with Hematogenous Culture-Negative Pyogenic Vertebral Osteomyelitis Asian Spine J; 2018, Address: Spinal Disorders Surgery Unit, Department of Orthopaedics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Study Design: Retrospective case series. Purpose: The aim of this study was to analyze functional and radiological outcomes in patients with culture-negative pyogenic vertebral osteomyelitis (PVO). Overview of Literature: There were only few literature available for these group of patients. Methods: Patients with biopsy-positive but culture-negative PVO were included. We analyzed records for data on demography, comorbidities, coexisting infections, neurological status, prior antibiotic therapy, pre- and postoperative erythrocyte sedimentation rate, C-reactive protein levels, and Oswestry Disability Index, and Japanese Orthopedics Association scores. Results: Sixty-one patients were included, of which data of 45 patients were available for follow-up. The patients were predominantly males (71%), with a mean age of 53.2 years. Seventy-seven percent patients had comorbidities. Echocardiography, blood culture, and urine culture were performed	INT	JAN TO JUNE	SPINAL DISORDERS SURGERY	PMI D: 30326685

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	on 8%, 24%, and 18% of patients, respectively. Thirty-one percent patients had neurological deficits. Computed tomography-guided biopsy was performed on 67% patients. Fifty-two percent patients were treated surgically, and 48% were treated non-surgically. Nineteen percent patients were treated according to the results of cultures from other foci, and the rest were treated empirically. For the initial 2 weeks, all patients were treated with intravenous antibiotics empirically or based on culture from other foci. This treatment was followed by 10 weeks of oral cloxacillin/cephalexin for gram-positive organisms or ciprofloxacin for gram-negative organisms. The mean follow-up time was 18 months (range, 12-120 months). All patients had improvement in Japanese Orthopedics Association, Oswestry Disability Index, and Visual Analog Scale scores (p<0.001). Conclusions: Treatment with empirical antibiotics for 12 weeks with watchful clinical and radiological follow-up yields good resolution of the disease. Further multicenter clinical research needs to be performed for obtaining an algorithmic treatment plan for these patients.				
310.	Mohamed, D. S., Ahmed, E. F., Mahmoud, A. M., El-Baky, R. M. A. and John, J. Isolation and evaluation of cocktail phages for the control of multidrug-resistant Escherichia coli serotype O104: H4 and E. coli O157: H7 isolates causing diarrhea FEMS Microbiology Letters; 2018, 365 (2): Escherichia coli serotype O157: H7 and E. coli O104: H4 are well known foodborne pathogens causing sever enteric illness. Using bacteriophages as biocontrol agents of some foodborne pathogens and multidrug-resistant (MDR) bacteria has a great attention nowadays. This study aims to test the effect of cocktail phages on the growth of some foodborne pathogens and MDR E. coli. Routine conventional PCR was used to confirm the identification of E. coli isolates. Double-layered culture technique was used to isolate phages from sewage water. Morphology of bacteriophage was described using transmission electron microscopy, and spot test was performed to determine host range of the phage cocktail. Phage cocktail of Siphoviridae and Podoviridae family infecting E. coli O157: H7, E. coli O104: H4 and untypeable E. coli (neither O157 nor O104) has been isolated from sewage water. Phage cocktail showed both lytic and lysogenic activity. Lytic activity was observed against E. coli O157: H7, E. coli O104: H4 isolates, Staphylococcus. aureus ATCC6538 and Pseudomonas aeruginosa ATCC 10145, while the lysogenic activity was observed against the untypeable strain. The tested phage cocktail showed a promising inhibitory action on E. coli O157: H7 and O104: H4, S. aureus ATCC6538 and P. aeruginosa ATCC 10145, suggesting the possibility of its use as a biocontrol tool or as natural food preservatives for many food	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY	WOS:000429310300010 SCOPUS

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	Indian Journal of Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery; 2018, 1-5 Most of the time, pediatrician is the first to see children with adenotonsillar hypertrophy (AH) and they mostly rely on clinical assessment with or without some investigation to refer these children to otorhinolaryngologist. Numerous methods have been described for evaluation of AH, but many of these methods are not possible to follow in busy pediatric outpatient unit either because of lack of cooperation from child or due to limited availability of test or due to cost constraints. This study has been conducted to determine the diagnostic accuracy of lateral neck X-ray (LNX) for assessing AH and to assess the correlation between adenoid size in LNX and clinical symptoms in a pediatric unit. Prospective study conducted in Department of ENT, Pathmavathy Medical Foundation, Kollam, Kerala, India from January 2015 to March 2016. 60 consecutive children of both genders, between the age group of 5 to 14 years, attending Department of Pediatrics with a provisional diagnosis of AH were included in the study. The symptom scores, radiographic ratio of adenoid to nasopharynx and endoscopic scorings were calculated. Lateral neck X-ray with calculation of adenoid-to-nasopharynx ratio is found to have significant correlation with patient reported symptoms and findings in nasal endoscopic examination (NE). LNX can be considered as a useful objective tool in evaluation of children with adenoid hypertrophy. Primary care physicians or pediatricians can confidently use lateral neck X-ray for making clinical decisions and can consider nasopharyngoscopy when clinical picture remains unclear or more evaluation is needed. © 2018 Association of Otolaryngologists of India				
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217	Centre for Tropical Medicine and Global Health, University of Oxford, Oxford OX1 2JD, UK. David d@tropmedres.ac. Faculty of Infectious and Tropical Diseases, London School of Hyglene and Tropical Medicine, London WC1E 7HT, UK. David.d@tropmedres.ac. Despite the fact that South Asia is predicted to have the highest number of cases worldwide, melioidosis is a little-known entity in South Asian countries. It has never been heard of by the majority of doctors and has as yet failed to gain the attention of national Ministries of Health and country offices of the World Health Organization (WHO). Although a few centers are diagnosing increasing numbers of cases, and the mortality documented from these institutions is relatively high (nearly 20%), the true burden of the disease remains unknown. In India, most cases have been reported from southwestern coastal Karnataka and northeastern Tamil Nadu, although this probably simply reflects the presence of centers of excellence and researchers with an interest in the disease. As elsewhere, the majority of cases have type 2 diabetes mellitus and occupational exposure to the environment. Most present with community-acquired pneumonia and/or bacteremia, especially during heavy rainfall. The high seropositivity rate (29%) in Karnataka and isolation of B. pseudomallei from the environment in Tamil Nadu and Kerala confirm India as melioidosis-endemic, although the full extent of the distribution of the organism across the country is unknown. There are limited molecular epidemiological data, but, thus far, the majority of Indian isolates have appeared distinct from those from South East Asia and Australia. Among other South Asian countries, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh are known to be melioidosis-endemic, but there are no cases that have conclusively proved to have been acquired in Nepal, Bhutan, Afghanistan or Pakistan. There are no surveillance systems in place for melioidosis in South Asian countries, Sri Lanka and Lanka and Palae for melioidosis in South Asian countries, Sri Lanka	INIT	IAN TO HIME	COMMUNITY LIE ALTIL	DMID:20449222
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	K., Gupta, N., Verma, S., Santhanam, S., Mishra, S., Bhatnagar, A., Prasad, G. R. V., Kolekar, J., Raj, N., Sabarinathan, R., Sachdeva, R. K., George, S., Chaudhary, S., Verghese, V. P., Jagtap, V., Bharadwaj, M. and Murhekar, M. Sero-prevalence of rubella among pregnant women in India, 2017 Vaccine; 2018, Address: Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Jodhpur, India. Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute, Vanivilas Women and Children's Hospital, Bengaluru, Karnataka, India. KEM Hospital, Pune, India. Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh, India. Tata Main Hospital, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand, India. National Institute of Virology, Bengaluru Unit, Bengaluru, India. National Institute of Virology, Pune, India. Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, Bengaluru, India. Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi, India. National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, India. National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, India. Reckground Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, India. Reckground Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, India. Electronic Address: mmurhekar@nieicmr.org.in. BACKGROUND: We conducted a sero-survey among pregnant women attending antenatal clinics of six hospitals which also function as sentinel sites for CRS surveillance, to estimate the prevalence of IgG antibodies against rubella. METHODS: We systematically sampled 1800 pregnant women attending antenatal clinics and tested their sera for IgG antibodies against rubella. We classified sera as seropositive (titre >/=101U/ml), sero-negative (titre <81U/ml) or indeterminate (titre 8-9.91U/ml) per manufacturer's instructions. In a sub-sample, we estimated the titers of IgG antibodies against rubella. IgG titer of >/=101U/mL was considered protective. RESULTS: Of 1800 sera tested, 1502 (83.4%) were seropositive and 24 (1.3%) were indeterminate and 274 (15.2%) were sero-negative. Rubella sero-positivity did not differ by age group, educational status or pl				
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	Study Design: Olfactory ensheathing cells (OECs) from rat olfactory mucosa were cultured, characterized, and transplanted into a rat model of spinal cord injury (SCI). Purpose: To evaluate different doses of OECs in a rat model of SCI. Overview of Literature: SCI causes permanent functional deficit because the central nervous system lacks the ability to perform spontaneous repair. Cell therapy strategies are being explored globally. The clinical use of human embryonic stem cell is hampered by ethical controversies. Alternatively, OECs are a promising cell source for neurotransplantation. This study aimed to evaluate the efficacy of different doses of allogenic OEC transplantation in a rat model of SCI. Methods: OECs were cultured from the olfactory mucosa of Albino Wistar rats; these cells were characterized using immunohistochemistry and flow cytometry. Rats were divided into five groups (n=6 rats each). In each group, different dosage (2x105, 5x105, 10x105, and >10x105) of cultured cells were transplanted into experimentally injured spinal cords of rat models. However, in the SCI group, only DMEM (Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium) was injected. Rats were followed up upto 8 weeks post-transplantation. The outcome of transplantation was assessed using the Basso, Beattie, Bresnahan (BBB) scale; motor-evoked potential studies; and histological examination. Results: Cultured cells expressed 41% of p75NTR, a marker for OEC, and 35% of anti-fibronectin, a marker for olfactory nerve fibroblast. These cells also expressed S100beta and glial fibrillary acid protein of approximately 75% and 83%, respectively. All the transplanted groups showed promising BBB scores for hind-limb motor recovery compared with the SCI group (p<0.05). A motor-evoked potential study showed increased amplitude in all the treated groups compared with the SCI Green fluorescent protein-labeled cells survived in the injured cord, suggesting their role in the transplantation-mediated repair. Transplantation of 5x105 cells showed the best motor ou				
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	expose the spinal cord, before drop-weight injury. Following injury, 2 μg of aFGF was administered at the site of injury and cultured rat olfactory mucosal OEC were transplanted as a single dose of 1 × 106 cells on the 9th day after SCI, used individually as well as in combination therapy. The outcome of the treatments was assessed using the hind-limb motor recovery-Basso, Beattie, Bresnahan (BBB) scale, transcranial motor-evoked potential, and histological studies. Results: All the treated groups showed improvement in hind-limb motor recovery when compared to the control group in BBB (P &It 0.05). There was increased electromyography amplitude in treated rats as compared to controls (P &It 0.05). Retrograde and anterograde tract tracing showed an increase of preserved axons and possible regeneration. Combination of aFGF with OEC transplantation demonstrated more beneficial effects following SCI than with individual therapy. Conclusion: aFGF and OEC transplantation have neuroprotective and regenerative therapeutic potentials for the future clinical application. © 2018 Journal of Postgraduate Medicine Published by Wolters Kluwer - Medknow.				
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	cord. Finally, the tissue was evaluated histologically. Results: Rat MSCs expressed positivity for a panel of MSC markers CD29, CD54, CD90, CD73, and CD105, and negativity for hematopoietic markers CD34, CD14, and CD45. In vitro neuronal transdifferentiated MSCs express positivity for β III tubulin, MAP2, NF, NeuN, Nav1.1, oligodendrocyte (O4), and negativity for glial fibrillary acid protein. All the treated groups show promising hind-limb motor recovery BBB score, except the control group. There was increased EMG amplitude in treated groups as compared to the control group. Green fluorescent protein (GFP)-labeled MSC survived and differentiated into neurons in the injured spinal cord, which is responsible for functional recovery. Conclusion: Our results demonstrate that BM-MSC has the potential to repair the injured cord in rat models of SCI. Thus, BM-MSC appears to be a promising candidate for cell-based therapy in CNS injury. © 2018 S. Karger AG, Basel				
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	1,2-dioleoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphatidyl-ethanolamine (DOPE) and 1,2-dioleoyl-sn-glycero-sn-3-phosphatidylcholine (DOPC) and evaluated for their ability to deliver plasmid DNA through reporter gene expression assays in vitro. Furthermore, the physicochemical characteristics and cellular interactions of the formulations were examined using serotonin-receptor enriched cells in order to distinguish the structural and functional attributes of both lipids. Cell-based gene expression studies reveal that in comparison to Lipid A, a formulation of Lipid B prepared with DOPE as the co-lipid, contributes to efficient uptake leading to significant enhancement in transfection. Specific interactions explored by molecular docking studies suggests the role of the hydroxyl moiety and the enantiospecific significance of serotonin- conjugated tocopherol lipids in recognizing these receptors thus signifying a promising lipid-based approach to target the serotonin receptors in the central nervous system.				
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	The global burden of tuberculosis: results from the Global Burden of				
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	Background An understanding of the trends in tuberculosis				
	incidence, prevalence, and mortality is crucial to tracking of the				
	success of tuberculosis control programmes and identification of				
	remaining challenges. We assessed trends in the fatal and non-fatal				
	burden of tuberculosis over the past 25 years for 195 countries and				
	territories. Methods We analysed 10 691 site-years of vital				
	registration data, 768 site-years of verbal autopsy data, and 361				
	site-years of mortality surveillance data using the Cause of Death				
	Ensemble model to estimate tuberculosis mortality rates. We				
	analysed all available age-specific and sex-specific data sources,				
	including annual case notifications, prevalence surveys, and				
	estimated cause-specific mortality, to generate internally consistent estimates of incidence, prevalence, and mortality using DisMod-MR				
	2.1, a Bayesian meta-regression tool. We assessed how observed				
	tuberculosis incidence, prevalence, and mortality differed from				
	expected trends as predicted by the Socio-demographic Index				
	(SDI), a composite indicator based on income per capita, average				
	years of schooling, and total fertility rate. We also estimated				
	tuberculosis mortality and disability-adjusted life-years attributable				
	to the independent effects of risk factors including smoking, alcohol				
	use, and diabetes. Findings Globally, in 2015, the number of				
	tuberculosis incident cases (including new and relapse cases) was				
	10.2 million (95% uncertainty interval 9.2 million to 11.5 million),				
	the number of prevalent cases was 10.1 million (9.2 million to 11.1				
	million), and the number of deaths was 1.3 million (1.1 million to				
	1.6 million). Among individuals who were HIV negative, the number				
	of incident cases was 8.8 million (8.0 million to 9.9 million), the				
	number of prevalent cases was 8.9 million (8.1 million to 9.7				
	million), and the number of deaths was 1.1 million (0.9 million to				
	1.4 million). Annualised rates of change from 2005 to 2015 showed				
	a faster decline in mortality (-4.1% [-5.0 to -3.4]) than in incidence				
	(-1.6% [-1.9 to -1.2]) and prevalence (-0.7% [-1.0 to -0.5]) among				
	HIV-negative individuals. The SDI was inversely associated with				
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	incidence and prevalence. Most of Asia, eastern Europe, and sub-Saharan Africa had higher rates of HIV-negative tuberculosis burden than expected given their SDI. Alcohol use accounted for 11.4% (9.3-13.0) of global tuberculosis deaths among HIV-negative individuals in 2015, diabetes accounted for 10.6% (6.8-14.8), and smoking accounted for 7.8% (3.8-12.0). Interpretation Despite a concerted global effort to reduce the burden of tuberculosis, it still causes a large disease burden globally. Strengthening of health systems for early detection of tuberculosis and improvement of the quality of tuberculosis care, including prompt and accurate diagnosis, early initiation of treatment, and regular follow-up, are priorities. Countries with higher than expected tuberculosis rates for their level of sociodemographic development should investigate the reasons for lagging behind and take remedial action. Efforts to prevent smoking, alcohol use, and diabetes could also substantially reduce the burden of tuberculosis. Copyright (c) The Author(s). Published by Elsevier Ltd. This is an Open Access article under the CC BY-NC-ND 4.0 license.				
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	blaTEM1B, blaDHA1, qnrB10, mphA, sull, sulll, strA, strB and tetR resistance genes along with intl1 integrase gene. In addition, the pMLST analysis showed that the replicon belongs to F2:A-:B- type. CONCLUSIONS: This study helps to know the prevalent plasmid types in multi-drug resistant Shigella and will improve our understanding of resistance dissemination among enteric bacteria. Resistance genes in plasmid further highlights the importance of such studies in enteric bacteria.				
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	challenge test in the diagnostic algorithm. A new scoring system – Modified Leipzig score has been suggested with extra points being added for family history and serum ceruloplasmin lower than 5 mg/dl. Liver dry copper estimation and penicillamine challenge test have been removed from the scoring system. Differences in pharmacological approach to neurological and hepatic disease and global monitoring scales have been included. Rising bilirubin and worsening encephalopathy are suggested as indicators predicting need for liver transplant but need to be validated. The clinical practice guidelines provide recommendations for a comprehensive management of WD which will be of value to all specialties. © 2018 Indian National Association for Study of the Liver				
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	were used. Results: At 10, 30, and 90 muM concentrations, flupirtine significantly inhibited the spontaneous contractility of the isolated goat ureter. The EC50 of flupirtine for a contact period of 10 min was 17.7 muM. The inhibitory effect of flupirtine on ureteric contractility was significantly reversed by 4-AP and XE-991. Conclusions: Flupirtine inhibits the spontaneous contractility of the isolated goat ureter by opening Kv7 channels.				
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	majority of patients (n = 84) and controls (n = 166) were females. MAF of T allele of rs1205 was less frequent in patients (27%) as compared to controls (37.6%), $P = 0.013$, $p(c) = 0.026$ with an odds ratio of 0.632 irrespective of gender. Frequency of CC genotype was higher in cases (53.8%) than controls (37.3%), $P = 0.006$, $p(c) = 0.018$. A dominant model of genotype-phenotype association revealed CC to be associated with more frequent coronary arterial and ascending aorta involvement than the other genotypes clubbed together ($P = 0.01$ and $P = 0.014$, respectively). Blunted CRP response seems to be less frequent in patients with CC genotype ($P = 0.064$). ConclusionT allele of rs1205 in CRP gene was less frequent in TA. CC genotype was associated with involvement of coronary arteries and ascending aorta. CC genotype was less commonly associated with blunted CRP response (CT + TT > CC).				
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	Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences (SGPGIMS), Lucknow, India Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai, India Command Hospital, Air Force Bangalore, Bangalore, India The clinical course of lymphoma depends on the indolent or aggressive nature of the disease. Hence, the optimal management of lymphoma needs a correct diagnosis and classification as B cell, T-cell or natural killer (NK)/T-cell as well as indolent or high-grade type lymphoma. The current consensus statement, developed by experts in the field across India, is intended to help healthcare professionals manage lymphomas in adults over 18 years of age. However, it should be noted that the information provided may not be appropriate to all patients and individual patient circumstances may dictate alternative approaches. The consensus statement discusses the diagnosis, staging and prognosis applicable to all subtypes of lymphoma, and detailed treatment regimens for specific entities of lymphoma including diffuse large B-cell lymphoma, Hodgkin's lymphoma, follicular lymphoma, T-cell lymphoma, chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic lymphoma, Burkitt's lymphoma, and anaplastic large cell lymphoma. © 2018, The Author(s).				
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	Classification of Tumors of Hematopoietic and Lymphoid Tissues. Results: A total of 244 adult patients were diagnosed with PTCL (non-cutaneous). The most common subtype was PTCL-not otherwise specified (35.7%), followed by anaplastic large cell lymphoma (ALCL), ALK negative (21.3%), natural killer/T cell lymphoma, angioimmunoblastic T-cell lymphoma (AITL), ALCL, ALK positive, hepatosplenic T cell lymphoma (HSTCL) and adult T cell leukaemia/lymphoma followed in frequency with 13.1, 11.5, 8.6, 8.2 and 1.6 per cent cases, respectively. The three-year Kaplan-Meier overall survival (OS) and event-free survival (EFS) for the patients who received chemotherapy (n=122) were 33.8+/-5.0 and 29.3+/-4.7 per cent, respectively. Various prognostic indices developed for T cell lymphomas were found to be useful. Interpretation & conclusions: Except for ALCL, ALK positive, all other PTCLs showed poor long-term outcome with CHOP-based chemotherapy. Novel therapies are needed to improve the outcome.				
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	We analyzed late fatal infections (LFIs) in allogeneic stem cell				
	transplantation (HCT) recipients reported to the Center for				
	International Blood and Marrow Transplant Research. We analyzed				
	the incidence, infection types, and risk factors contributing to LFI in				
	10,336 adult and 5088 pediatric subjects surviving for >/=2 years				
	after first HCT without relapse. Among 2245 adult and 377 pediatric				
	patients who died, infections were a primary or contributory cause				
	of death in 687 (31%) and 110 (29%), respectively. At 12 years				
	post-HCT, the cumulative incidence of LFIs was 6.4% (95%)				
	confidence interval [CI], 5.8% to 7.0%) in adults, compared with				
	1.8% (95% CI, 1.4% to 2.3%) in pediatric subjects; P < .001). In				

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	adults, the 2 most significant risks for developing LFI were increasing age (20 to 39, 40 to 54, and >/=55 years versus 18 to 19 years) with hazard ratios (HRs) of 3.12 (95% CI, 1.33 to 7.32), 3.86 (95% CI, 1.66 to 8.95), and 5.49 (95% CI, 2.32 to 12.99) and a history of chronic graft-versus-host disease GVHD (cGVHD) with ongoing immunosuppression at 2 years post-HCT compared with no history of GVHD with (HR, 3.87; 95% CI, 2.59 to 5.78). In pediatric subjects, the 3 most significant risks for developing LFI were a history of cGVHD with ongoing immunosuppression (HR, 9.49; 95% CI, 4.39 to 20.51) or without ongoing immunosuppression (HR, 2.7; 95% CI, 1.05 to 7.43) at 2 years post-HCT compared with no history of GVHD, diagnosis of inherited abnormalities of erythrocyte function compared with diagnosis of acute myelogenous leukemia (HR, 2.30; 95% CI, 1.19 to 4.42), and age >10 years (HR, 1.92; 95% CI, 1.15 to 3.2). This study emphasizes the importance of continued vigilance for late infections after HCT and institution of support strategies aimed at decreasing the risk of cGVHD.				
344.	Oldenburg, J., Kulkarni, R., Srivastava, A., Mahlangu, J. N., Blanchette, V. S., Tsao, E., Winding, B., Dumont, J. and Jain, N. Improved joint health in subjects with severe haemophilia A treated prophylactically with recombinant factor VIII Fc fusion protein Haemophilia; 2018, 24 (1): 77-84 IntroductionJoint arthropathy is the long-term consequence of joint bleeding in people with severe haemophilia. AimThis study assessed change in joint health over time in subjects receiving recombinant factor VIII Fc fusion protein (rFVIIIFc) prophylaxis. MethodsALONG is the phase 3 pivotal study in which the benefit of rFVIIIFc as a prophylactic treatment for bleeding control was shown in previously treated severe haemophilia patients 12years of age (arm 1: 25-65 IU/kg every 3-5 days, arm 2: 65 IU/kg weekly and arm 3: episodic). After completing ALONG, subjects had the option to enrol into the extension study (ASPIRE). This interim, post hoc analysis assessed changes in joint health over 2.8years in these patients. ResultsForty-seven subjects had modified Haemophilia Joint Health Score (mHJHS) data at A-LONG baseline, ASPIRE baseline and ASPIRE Year 1 and Year 2. Compared with A-LONG baseline (23.4), mean improvement at ASPIRE Year 2 was -4.1 (95% confidence interval [CI], -6.5, -1.8; P=.001). Regardless of prestudy treatment regimen, subjects showed continuous improvement in mHJHS from A-LONG baseline through ASPIRE Year 2 (prestudy prophylaxis: -2.4, P=.09; prestudy episodic treatment: -7.2, P=.003). Benefits were seen in subjects with target joints (-5.6, P=.005) as well as those with severe arthropathy (-8.8, P=.02). The mHJHS components with the greatest improvement at ASPIRE Year 2 were swelling (-1.4, P=.008), range of motion (-1.1, P=.03) and strength (-0.8, P=.04). ConclusionsProphylaxis with rFVIIIFc may improve	INT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY	WOS:000422692200021

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	joint health over time regardless of prestudy prophylaxis or episodic treatment regimens.				
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	research as well as the potential for astrovirus to be a target for vaccine development.				
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	Department of Cardiology, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, India. BACKGROUND: Catheter based treatment has gained wide acceptance for management of patent ductus arteriosus (PDA) aver since its introduction. Percutaneous closure in adults can be challenging because of anatomical factors including large sizes, associated pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) and co-morbidities. This study aimed to provide comprehensive contemporary data on the safety and efficacy of percutaneous device closure of PDA in adult and adolescent population at a large referral center. METHODS: This single-center retrospective analysis included 70 patients (33 adolescents and 37 adults) who underwent successful percutaneous device closure of PDA between January 2011 and February 2017.Baseline patient demographics, clinical characteristics, procedural and device related variables, and immediate outcomes during hospital stay were recorded. Patients were followed up for residual shunt and complications. RESULTS: Of 70 PDA device closure cases, 71.4% were females; the mean age was 23 years (range: 10-58years). Devices used were 4-Cook's detachable coils, 64-occluders (ADO-I and II, Lifetech, Cardi-O-Fix), 1-vascular plug and 1-ventricular septal occluder device. Device success was achieved in all including those with very large PDAs. At 24-h post-procedure, the success rate of transcatheter intervention was 95.7%. At 6-months follow up duration-531days). In patients with severe PAH, significant immediate and sustained reduction of the mean pulmonary pressure was observed (77mmHg to 33mmHg; P=0.014). No procedure-related complications including death, device embolization and stenosis of aorta or pulmonary artery occurred. CONCLUSIONS: In contemporary practice, percutaneous device closure is an effective and safe treatment option for adolescent and adult PDA patients.				
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	multidrug-resistant tuberculosis (MDR-TB) patients is poorly studied, and no consensus about the role and the rationale of chemoprophylaxis has been reached. Objective: To conduct systematic review with an aim to determine the effectiveness of TB preventive therapy in reducing the incidence of TB disease in pediatric contacts of MDR-TB patients. Methods: We conducted a literature search for randomized control trials, cohort studies, and case reports of chemoprophylaxis for pediatric contacts of MDR-TB patients in PubMed, EMBASE, Cochrane Databases of Systematic Reviews, metaRegister of Controlled Trials, and other clinical registries through March 2017, using appropriate search strategy. In addition we searched abstracts from international conferences and references of published articles and reviews. Results: Of the 153 references assessed from various databases, seven studies were identified as relevant after adaption of eligibility criteria and assessed for systematic review. Of these, only two studies contributed data for the pooled meta-analysis. Conclusions: Though the available evidences suggest that the chemoprophylaxis for child contacts of MDR-TB patients is beneficial, data to support or reject preventive therapy is very limited. Further clinical research, in Tb endemic settings like India, needs to be performed to prove the beneficial effect of chemoprophylaxis for pediatric contacts of MDR-TB.				
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	lists of relevant articles for additional trials. Selection criteria: We considered all randomised, controlled, double-blind studies comparing botulinum toxin to placebo or other medications for the treatment of motor and phonic tics in Tourette's syndrome for this review. We sought both parallel group and cross-over studies of children or adults, at any dose, and for any duration. Data collection and analysis: We followed standard Cochrane methods to select studies, assess risk of bias, extract and analyse data. All authors independently abstracted data onto standardized forms; disagreements were resolved by mutual discussion. Main results: Only one randomised placebo-controlled, double-blind cross-over study met our selection criteria. In this study, 20 participants with motor tics were enrolled over a three-year recruitment period; 18 (14 of whom had a diagnosis of Tourette's syndrome) completed the study; in total, 21 focal motor tics were treated. Although we considered most bias domains to be at low risk of bias, the study recruited a small number of participants with relatively mild tics and provided limited data for our key outcomes. The effects of botulinum toxin injections on tic frequency, measured by videotape or rated subjectively, and on premonitory urge, are uncertain (very low-quality evidence). The quality of evidence for adverse events following botulinum toxin was very low. Nine people had muscle weakness following the injection, which could have led to unblinding of treatment group assignment. No data were available to evaluate whether botulinum injections led to immunoresistance to botulinum. Authors' conclusions: We are uncertain about botulinum toxin effects in the treatment of focal motor and phonic tics in select cases, as we assessed the quality of the evidence as very low. Additional randomised controlled studies are needed to demonstrate the benefits and harms of botulinum toxin therapy for the treatment of motor and phonic tics in patients with Tourette's syndrome. © 2018 The Cochra				
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	Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Clinical Virology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. OBJECTIVES: In rural pregnant Indian women, multiple missed antenatal screening opportunities due to inadequate public health facility-based screening result in undiagnosed HIV and sexually transmitted bloodborne infections (STBBIs) and conditions (anaemia). Untreated infections complicate pregnancy management, precipitate adverse outcomes and risk mother-to-child transmission. Additionally, a shortage of trained doctors, rural women's preference for home delivery and health illiteracy affect health service delivery. To address these issues, we developed AideSmart!, an innovative, app-based, cloud-connected, rapid screening strategy that offers multiplex screening for STBBIs and anaemia at the point of care. It offers connectivity, integration, expedited communications and linkages to clinical care throughout pregnancy. METHODS: In a cross-sectional study, we evaluated the AideSmart! strategy for feasibility, acceptability, preference and impact. We trained 15 healthcare professionals (HCPs) to offer the AideSmart! strategy to 510 pregnant women presenting for care to outreach rural service units of Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. RESULTS: With the AideSmart! screening strategy, we recorded an acceptability of 100% (510/510), feasibility (completion rate) of 91.6% (466/510) and preference of 73%. We detected 239 infections/conditions (239/510, 46.8%) at the point-of-care, of which 168 (168/239; 70%) were lab confirmed, staged and treated rapidly. Of the 168 confirmed infections/conditions, 127 were anaemia, 11 Trichomonas and 30 hepatitis B virus (HBV) (25 resolved naturally, 5 active infections). Four infants (4/5; 80%) were prophylaxed for HBV and were declared disease-free at 9 months. Recruited participants were young; mean age was 24 years (range: 17-40) and 74% (376/510) were in their second trimester. Furthermore,				
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	Sacrolliitis is one of the criteria for classification as spondyloarthritis (SpA), though not unique to SpA. Other conditions including gout may be erroneously diagnosed as SpA due to sacrolliitis. The objective was to identify specific CT findings in sacrolliitis associated with SpA and gout. In this retrospective study, CT images of patients with sacrolliitis and clinical diagnosis of gout or SpA from 2010 to 2015 were independently reviewed by two radiologists, blinded to diagnosis. Axial and coronal oblique images were analyzed for characteristics of erosions. The receiver operator characteristic curve was constructed to analyze the discriminating ability of radiological findings. CT SI joint images of 11 patients with gout and 224 patients with SpA were re-analyzed. There was excellent agreement between the radiologists (ICC from 0.78 to 1). Erosions were more numerous in SpA. Erosions in gout were associated with tophi in 65.7% (73/111). Erosions in gout were para-articular and had sclerotic margins, overhanging edges, and multilobulated base (P OpenSPiltSPi 0.0001 for all). Length and depth of erosions were more in gout as compared to SpA. AUCs for length, depth of erosions, and subchondral sclerosis ≤ 4.5 mm had a sensitivity and specificity of 100 and 96%, respectively, for diagnosis of gout. In addition to known radiological features of gout, multilobulated base of erosions and absence of subchondral sclerosis could possibly distinguish sacrolliitis in SpA from gout. Our limited analysis suggests that CT imaging could help in differentiating the two. © 2017, International League of Associations for Rheumatology (ILAR).				
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	Address: Department of Neonatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Obstetrics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Malignancies are rare in the early neonatal period. Common congenital tumours include malignant teratoma and neuroblastomas. Tumour lysis syndrome is a serious condition usually seen after commencement of chemotherapy for a malignancy. Rare case reports of spontaneous tumour lysis have been reported though not in the newborn period. We report here an instance of tumour lysis syndrome in a newborn with congenital rhabdoid tumour, where the cause was either spontaneous or related to antenatal steroid exposure.				
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S.No	Department of Medical Oncology, Tata Medical Centre, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. Department of Medical Oncology, Narayana Superspeciality Hospital, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. Department of Medical Oncology, Apollo Hospitals, New Delhi, India. Department of Medical Oncology, Medanta - The Medicity, Gurugram, Haryana, India. Department of Medical Oncology, RGCI, New Delhi, India. Background: We conducted a survey of 111 medical oncologists across India to understand the current pattern of epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) mutation testing at their respective centers. Methods: Medical oncologists from 111 institutes across India were interviewed face to face using a structured questionnaire. They were divided into two groups - Group 1 with in-house EGFR testing and Group 2 who send samples to central/commercial laboratories outside their institutions. Answers of the two groups were analyzed to see the prevailing patterns of EGFR testing and differences between the two groups if any. Results: Ninety-five percent (105/111) of medical oncologists recommended testing for EGFR mutations in patients with adenocarcinoma histology and 40% (44/111) recommended EGFR testing in squamous cell histology. The average time duration to get EGFR test results was 10 days in Group 1 centers versus 18 days in Group 2 centers. Ninety-six percent (106/111) of the medical oncologists from Group 1 centers requested for factoring additional sample for biomarker testing compared to 69% (77/111) of the oncologists from Group 2 centers. Sixty-nine percent (77/111) of medical oncologists from Group 2 centers. Sixty-nine percent (77/111) of medical oncologists from Group 2. EGFR tyrosine-kinase inhibitors were used in only approximately 60% of patients with diagnosed EGFR mutation in the first line. For patients in whom chemotherapy was initiated while waiting for test results,	NAT /	MONTH	DEPT	PMID
	in whom chemotherapy was initiated while waiting for test results, 50% (56/111) of medical oncologists would prefer to complete 4-6 cycles before switching to targeted therapy. At the time of progression, rebiopsy was possible in approximately 25% of the patients. Conclusions: Turnaround time for molecular testing should improve so that eligible patients can benefit from targeted therapies in the first line. There is a need to increase the awareness among pulmonologists, oncologists, and interventional radiologists regarding the importance of adequate samples required for molecular tests.				
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	Background: Pseudomonas aeruginosa is one of the most common				
	opportunistic pathogens that cause severe infections in humans.				
	The burden of carbapenem resistance is particularly high and is on the rise. Very little information is available on the molecular				
	mechanisms and its clonal types of carbapenem-resistant P.				
	aeruginosa seen in Indian hospitals. This study was undertaken to				
	monitor the beta-lactamase profile and to investigate the genetic				
	relatedness of the carbapenemase-producing (CP) P. aeruginosa				
	collected across different hospitals from India. Materials and				
	Methods: A total of 507 non-duplicate, carbapenem-resistant P.				
	aeruginosa isolated from various clinical specimens collected during				
	2014-2017 across seven Indian hospitals were included.				
	Conventional multiplex polymerase chain reaction for the genes				
	encoding beta-lactamases such as extended-spectrum				
	beta-lactamase (ESBL) and carbapenemase were screened. A				
	subset of isolates (n = 133) of CP P. aeruginosa were genotyped by				
	multilocus sequence typing (MLST) scheme. Results: Of the total				
	507 isolates, 15%, 40% and 20% were positive for genes encoding				
	ESBLs, carbapenemases and ESBLs + carbapenemases,				

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374.	respectively, whilst 25% were negative for the beta-lactamases screened. Amongst the ESBL genes, blaVEB is the most predominant, followed by blaPER and blaTEM, whilst blaVIM and blaNDM were the most predominant carbapenemases seen. However, regional differences were noted in the beta-lactamases profile across the study sites. Genotyping by MLST revealed 54 different sequence types (STs). The most common are ST357, ST235, ST233 and ST244. Six clonal complexes were found (CC357, CC235, CC244, CC1047, CC664 and CC308). About 24% of total STs are of novel types and these were found to emerge from the high-risk clones. Conclusion: This is the first large study from India to report the baseline data on the molecular resistance mechanisms and its association with genetic relatedness of CP P. aeruginosa circulating in Indian hospitals. blaVIM- and blaNDM-producing P. aeruginosa is the most prevalent carbapenemase seen in India. Majority of the isolates belongs to the high-risk international clones ST235, ST357 and ST664 which is a concern. Pragasam, A. K., Veeraraghavan, B., Nalini, E., Anandan, S. and Kaye, K. S. An update on antimicrobial resistance and the role of newer antimicrobial agents for Pseudomonas aeruginosa Indian J Med Microbiol; 2018, 36 (3): 303-316 Address: Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Division of Infectious Diseases, University of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor, MI, USA. Infections due to Pseudomonas aeruginosa is a major health concern, especially hospital-acquired infections, in critically ill individuals. Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) increases the morbidity and mortality rates associated with pseudomonal infections. In this review, we aim to address two major aspects of P. aeruginosa. The first part of the review will focus on the burden of AMR and its prevalling mechanisms seen in India, while the second part will focus on the challenges and approaches in the management with special emphasis on the role of newer antimicrobial	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY	PMID:30429381
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	Department of Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Microbiology, PD Hinduja Hospital and Medical Research Centre, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India. Department of Microbiology, Manipal Hospital, Bengaluru, Karnataka, India. Department of Microbiology, Calcutta Medical Research Institute, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. Department of Microbiology, Fortis Hospital, Anandapur, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. Department of Microbiology and Immunology, Choithram Hospital, Indore, Madhya Pradesh, India. Department of Microbiology, Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, India. Ceftolozane/tazobactam is a novel antimicrobial agent with activity against Pseudomonas aeruginosa and other common Gram-negative pathogens. In this study, we determined the antimicrobial susceptibility for a total of 149 clinical isolates of P. aeruginosa for the most commonly used antimicrobials including the new agent ceftolozane/tazobactam (C/T). Broth microdilution was performed to determine the minimum inhibitory concentration against various antimicrobials including C/T. Among the beta-lactam/beta-lactamase inhibitor, overall susceptibility was 67%, 55% and 51% for C/T, Piperacillin/Tazobactam (P/T) and Cefoperazone/Sulbactam, respectively. The variations in the susceptibility rates were noted among the three different beta-lactam/beta-lactamase inhibitors. Interestingly, 33% susceptibility was noted for C/T against isolates that were resistant to P/T, indicating the higher activity of C/T. This finding suggests about 33% of the P/T-resistant isolates can still be treated effectively with C/T. C/T could be a better alternative for the treatment of ESBL-producing organism, and thereby usage of higher antimicrobials can be minimised.				
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	Studies, New Delhi, India. PATH, New Delhi, India. PATH, Seattle, Washington, USA. KEM Hospital and Research Centre, Pune, Maharashtra, India. Department of Public Health Sciences, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, USA. Background: Rotavirus vaccine (RV) efficacy estimates in low-resource settings are lower than in developed countries. We detected co-infections in cases of severe rotavirus diarrhea in a RV efficacy trial to determine whether these negatively impacted RV efficacy estimates. Methods: We performed TaqMan Array Card assays for enteropathogens on stools from rotavirus EIA positive diarrhea episodes and all severe episodes (Vesikari score >= 11), from a phase III vaccine efficacy trial of Rotavac(R), a monovalent human-bovine (116E) rotavirus vaccine, carried out across three sites in India. We estimated pathogen-specific etiologies of diarrhea, described associated clinical characteristics, and estimated the impact of co-infections on RV efficacy using the test-negative design. Results: 1507 specimens from 1169 infants were tested for the presence of co-infections. Rotavirus was the leading cause of severe diarrhea even among vaccinated children, followed by adenovirus 40/41, Shigella/EIEC, norovirus GII, sapovirus, and Cryptosporidium spp. Bacterial co-infections in rotavirus positive diarrhea were associated with a longer duration of diarrhea and protozoal co-infections with increased odds of hospitalization. Using the test-negative design, RV efficacy against severe rotavirus gastroenteritis increased from 49.3% to 60.6% in the absence of co-infections (difference 11.3%; 95% CI: -10.3, 30.2). Conclusion: While rotavirus was the dominant etiology of severe diarrhea, even in vaccinated children, a broad range of other etiologies was identified. Accounting for co-infections led to an 11.3% increase in the vaccine efficacy estimate. Although not statistically significant, an 11.3% decrease in vaccine efficacy due to presence of co-infections would explain an important fraction of the				
378.	Praharaj, I., Revathy, R., Bandyopadhyay, R., Benny, B., Mohammed, A. K. O., Liu, J., Houpt, E. R. and Kang, G. Enteropathogens and gut inflammation in asymptomatic infants and children in different environments in Southern India American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene; 2018, 98 (2): 576-580 Children in poor environmental conditions are exposed early and often to enteric pathogens, but within developing countries, heterogeneity in enteropathogen exposure in different settings and communities is rarely addressed. We tested fecal samples from healthy infants and children from two different environments in the	INT	JAN TO JUNE	WELLCOME RESEARCH UNIT	WOS:000430950800036 SCOPUS

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	same Indian town for gut enteropathogens and biomarkers of gut inflammation. A significantly higher proportion of infants and children from a poor semi-urban neighborhood (93%) had one or more enteropathogens than those from a medical college campus (71.7%). Infants and children from the poor neighborhood had an average of 3.3 (95% confidence interval [CI]: 2.9-3.7) enteropathogens compared with an average of 1.4 (95% CI: 1.0-1.7) enteropathogens in campus infants/ children. Viral and bacterial infections, including enteroviruses, adenoviruses, Campylobacter spp., and diarrhegenic Escherichia coli were more common and fecal biomarkers of inflammation were higher in the poor neighborhood. The findings demonstrate significant difference in the asymptomatic carriage of gut enteropathogens and gut inflammatory biomarkers in infants and children from two different environments within the same town in south India. Copyright © 2018 by The American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene.				
379.	Prakash, S. S. Models that Explain the Cause of Obesity Indian J Endocrinol Metab; 2018, 22 (4): 569-570 Address: Department of Biochemistry, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.	NAT	JAN TO JUNE	BIOCHEMISTRY	PMID:30148109 PMC ID:6085960 SCOPUS
380.	Premkumar, K., Vinod, E., Sathishkumar, S., Pulimood, A. B., Umaefulam, V., Prasanna Samuel, P. and John, T. A. Self-directed learning readiness of Indian medical students: a mixed method study BMC Med Educ; 2018, 18 (1): 134 Address: HSC E-wing 3226 Department of Community Health and Epidemiology, College of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada. kalyani.premkumar@usask.ca. Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. HSC E-wing 3226 Department of Community Health and Epidemiology, College of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada. BACKGROUND: Self-directed learning (SDL) is defined as learning on one's own initiative, with the learner having primary responsibility for planning, implementing, and evaluating the effort. Medical education institutions promote SDL, since physicians need to be self-directed learners to maintain lifelong learning in the ever-changing world of medicine and to obtain essential knowledge for professional growth. The purpose of the study was to measure the self-directed learning readiness of medical students across the training years, to determine the perceptions of students and faculty on factors that promote and deter SDL and to identify the role of culture and curriculum on SDL at the Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. METHODS: Guglielmino's SDL Readiness Scale	INT	JAN TO JUNE	GENERAL PATHOLOGY, BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:29884155 PMC ID:5994133 WOS:000435020900004

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	(SDLRS) was administered in 2015 to six student cohorts (452 students) at admission, end of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th year of training, and at the beginning of internship in the undergraduate medicine (MBBS) program. Analysis of variance (ANOVA) was used to compare SDL scores between years of training. 5 student focus groups and 7 interviews with instructors captured perceptions of self-direction. Transcripts were coded and analyzed thematically. RESULTS: The overall mean SDLRS score was 212.91. There was no significant effect of gender and age on SDLR scores. There was a significant drop in SDLRS scores on comparing students at admission with students at subsequent years of training. Qualitative analysis showed the prominent role of culture and curriculum on SDL readiness. CONCLUSIONS: Given the importance of SDL in medicine, the current curriculum may require an increase in learning activities that promote SDL. Strategies to change the learning environment that facilitates SDL have to be considered.				
381.	Price, A., Vasanthan, L., Clarke, M., Liew, S. M., Brice, A. and Burls, A. SMOOTH (Self-Management of Open Online Trials in Health) analysis found improvements were needed for reporting methods of internet-based trials J Clin Epidemiol; 2018, Address: University of Oxford and The BMJ Editorial. Electronic Address: healingjia@msn.com. Christian Medical College Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Queen's University Belfast. Department of Primary Care Medicine and Julius Center UM, University of Malaya, Malaya. University of Oxford City. University of London. BACKGROUND: The growth of trials conducted over the internet has increased, but with little practical guidance for their conduct and it is sometimes challenging for researchers to adapt the conventions used in face-to-face trials and maintain the validity of the work. AIM: To systematically explore existing self-recruited online randomized trials of self-management interventions and analyze the trials to assess their strengths and weaknesses, the quality of reporting and the involvement of lay persons as collaborators in the research process. METHODS: The Online Randomized Controlled Trials of Health Information Database (ORCHID) was used as the sampling frame to identify a subset of self-recruited online trials of self-management interventions. The authors cataloged what these online trials were assessing, appraised study quality, extracted information on how trials were run and assessed the potential for bias. We searched out how public and patient participation was integrated into online trial design and how this was reported. We recorded patterns of use for registration, reporting, settings,	INT	JAN TO JUNE	PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION	PMI D:30171901

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	informed consent, public involvement, supplementary materials, and dissemination planning. RESULTS: The sample included 41 online trials published from 2002-2015. The barriers to replicability and risk of bias in online trials included inadequate reporting of blinding in 28/41 (68%) studies; high attrition rates with incomplete or unreported data in 30/41 (73%) of trials; and 26/41 (63%) of studies were at high risk for selection bias as trial registrations were unreported. The methods for (23/41, 56%) trials contained insufficient information to replicate the trial, 19/41 did not report piloting the intervention. Only 2/41 studies were cross-platform compatible. Public involvement was most common for advisory roles (n=9, 22%), and in the design, usability testing and piloting of user materials (n=9, 22%) CONCLUSIONS: This study catalogs the state of online trials of self-management in the early 21(st) century and provides insights for online trials development as early as the protocol planning stage. Reporting of trials was generally poor and, in addition to recommending that authors report their trials in accordance with CONSORT guidelines, we make recommendations for researchers writing protocols, reporting on and evaluating online trials. The research highlights considerable room for improvement in trial registration, reporting of methods, data management plans, and public and patient involvement in self-recruited online trials of self-management interventions.	INT			
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383.	Priyadarshini, A., George, R., Daniel, D., Varughese, S. and Jayaseelan, V. Association between human leukocyte antigen-DRB1 and human leukocyte antigen-DQB1 alleles and pemphigus vulgaris in Indian patients: A case-control study Indian J Dermatol Venereol Leprol; 2018, 84 (3): 280-284 Address: Department of Dermatology, Venereology and Leprosy, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Transfusion Medicine and Immunohematology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Nephrology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: HLA-DRB1*04, -DRB1*08, -DRB1*14, -DQB1*03 and	NAT	JAN TO JUN	DERMATOLOGY, VENEREOLOGY AND LEPROSY, TRANSFUSION MEDICINE AND IMMUNOHEMATOLOGY , NEPHROLOGY, BIOSTATISTICS,	PMID:29582787 WOS:000430432800005 SCOPUS

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	-DQB1*05 are reported to have significant association with pemphigus vulgaris; however, this is partially dependent on ethnicity. This study was done to determine the HLA-DR and -DQ types prevalent in Indian patients with pemphigus vulgaris. Methods: A prospective case-control study was done for a period of 9 months in Christian Medical College Vellore, India. HLA typing was done by PCR-SSOP method in 50 cases and 50 healthy controls. Allele frequencies in cases and controls were compared and odds ratios with 95% confidence interval were calculated. Results: The mean age of the patients (29 females, 21 males) and that of controls (36 males, 14 females) were 41.3 +/- 13.65 and 35.42 +/- 11.09 years, respectively. HLA-DRB1*14 was present in 47 patients and 18 controls (OR, 27.85; 95% CI, 7.57-102.42) and HLA-DQB1*05 was seen in 47 patients and 24 controls (OR, 16.97; 95% CI, 4.66-61.80). The haplotype DRB1*14, DQB1*05 was present in 44 patients and 14 controls (OR, 18.86; 95% CI, 6.58-54.05). DRB1*15 was present in 7 cases and 16 controls (OR, 0.35; 95% CI, 0.13-0.94) and DQB1*06 was present in 8 cases and 19 controls (OR, 0.31; 95% CI, 0.12-0.80). HLA-DQB1*03 was associated with significantly higher pemphigus disease area index scores. Limitations: The main limitations were that the numbers studied were small as the study was conducted at a single center, and the haplotype analysis was limited only to the proband. PDAI scores could have been influenced by prior treatment. Conclusion: There was a significant association between HLA-DRB1*14 and HLA-DQB1*05 and pemphigus vulgaris in our patients. A negative association was seen with DRB1*15 and DQB1*06.				
384.	Putta, T., John, R. A., Eapen, A., Chandramohan, A., Simon, B., Rymbai, M. L. and Joseph, P. Computed Tomography Evaluation of the Arterial Supply to Segment 4 of the Liver J Clin Imaging Sci; 2018, 8 31 Address: Departments of Radiodiagnosis and Hepatopancreaticobiliary Surgery, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Introduction: In a setting of living-donor liver transplant and patients undergoing extended hepatic resections for both primary and metastatic liver tumors, preoperative assessment of hepatic arterial anatomy is very important because of the risk of ischemic complications in the event of inadvertent injury to the arterial supply. Anatomical variations in hepatic arterial supply to the liver are very common and seen in nearly half the population. Identifying anomalous origin of segment 4 hepatic artery is vital since this vessel can cross the transection plane and can result in liver ischemia and liver failure. The purpose of our study is to study the variations in hepatic arterial anatomy to segment 4 of the liver in	INT	JAN TO JUN	RADIODIAGNOSIS AND HEPATOPANCREATICO BILIARY SURGERY,	PMID:30197822 PMC ID:6118111

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	the Indian population. Materials and Methods: A retrospective evaluation of 637 consecutive computed tomography (CT) angiograms over a period of 1 year was performed, and we analyzed the arterial supply to segment 4 of the liver. Results: We found that the arterial supply to segment 4 of the liver originated from left hepatic artery (LHA) in majority of cases, 76.3%. LHA along with the accessory LHA supplied this segment in 6.4%, whereas the accessory LHA solely supplied this segment in 0.4%. The right hepatic artery (RHA) was seen to supply this segment in 10.2%. Dual supply with branches from the RHA and LHA was seen in 6.6% of patients. Conclusion: Preoperative mapping of segment 4 hepatic arterial supply using CT angiography will act as a roadmap to surgeons as they attempt to carefully dissect and preserve this segments' arterial supply. Depending on the anatomical variation, surgical techniques will vary to ensure safety of segment 4 arterial supply.				
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386.	Radhakrishna, V. N., Madhuri, V. and Palocaren, T. Optimizing the use of fibula in type II tibial hemimelia: early results J Pediatr Orthop B; 2018, Address: Pediatric Orthopaedic Unit, Christian Medical College, Ida Scudder Road, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. We describe a technique for optimal use of fibula in reconstruction of type II tibial hemimelia. Six affected children with mean age of 1.4 years and treated over a 5-year period were reviewed. All underwent staged reconstruction by lowering the fibula to below knee level using Ilizarov soft tissue distraction, transfer of distal fibula under proximal tibia, and foot centralization. Mean follow-up period was 3.6 years (range: 1.6-6.05 years). Mean age at follow-up was 4.4 years, and increase in length was 4.08 cm.	INT	JAN TO JUN	PAEDIATRIC ORTHOPAEDICS	PMID:30234726

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	Tibiofibular union and foot centralization were universally achieved. Mild residual equinovarus deformity was present in three children and braced. Our technique allowed significant length gain and foot centralization in toddlers without distraction osteogenesis.				
387.	Rafic, K. M., Amalan, S., Timothy Peace, B. S. and Ravindran, B. P. Extended localization and adaptive dose calculation using HU corrected cone beam CT: Phantom study Rep Pract Oncol Radiother; 2018, 23 (2): 126-135 Address: Department of Radiotherapy, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632004, Tamil Nadu, India. Background and aim: The practicability of computing dose calculation on cone beam CT (CBCT) has been widely investigated. In most clinical scenarios, the craniocaudal scanning length of CBCT is found to be inadequate for localization. This study aims to explore extended tomographic localization and adaptive dose calculation strategies using Hounsfield unit (HU) corrected CBCT image sets. Materials and methods: Planning CT (pCT) images of the Rando phantom (T12-to-midthigh) were acquired with pelvic-protocol using Biograph CT-scanner. Similarly, half-fan CBCT were acquired with fixed parameters using Clinac2100C/D linear accelerator integrated with an on-board imager with 2-longitudinal positions of the table. For extended localization and dose calculation, two stitching strategies viz., one with "penumbral-overlap" (S1) and the other with "no-overlap" (S2) and a local HU-correction technique were performed using custom-developed MATLAB scripts. Fluence modulated treatment plans computed on pCT were mapped with stitched CBCT and the dosimetric analyses such as dose-profile comparison, 3D-gamma (gamma) evaluation and dose-volume histogram (DVH) comparison were performed. Results: Localizing scanning length of CBCT was extended by up to 15 cm and 16 cm in S1 and S2 strategies, respectively. Treatment plan mapping resulted in minor variations in the volumes of delineated structures and the beam centre co-ordinates. While the former showed maximum variations of -1.4% and -1.6%, the latter showed maximum of 1.4 mm and 2.7 mm differences in anteroposterior direction in S1 and S2 protocols, respectively. Dosimetric evaluations viz., dose profile and DVH comparisons were found to be in agreement with one anothe	INT	JAN TO JUN	RADIOTHERAPY	PMCID: PMC5856675

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389.	Raj, J. P., Hansdak, S. G., Naik, D., Mahendri, N. V. and Thomas, N. SLEep among diabetic patients and their GlycaEmic control (SLEDGE): A pilot observational study J Diabetes; 2018, Address: Church of South India Hospital, Erode, India. Department of Pharmacology, St. John's Medical College, Bangalore, India. Department of General Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Endocrinology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Dietetics and Nutrition, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. BACKGROUND: Recent cohort studies have proven the association between sleep deprivation and adverse glycemic control (GC). The aim of this study was to assess the prevalence of excessive daytime sleepiness (EDS), a subjective measure of sleep deprivation, among type 2 diabetic mellitus (T2DM) patients and its association with GC. METHODS: This cross-sectional study was conducted between July 2015 and June 2016 in five diabetes clinics in the district of Erode, Tamil Nadu, India. An equal number of consenting patients with T2DM was recruited consecutively from each of the centers, and EDS was measured subjectively using the Epworth sleepiness scale (ESS), whereas GC was assessed using HbA1c levels. RESULTS: In all, 126 patients were screened and 102 were found eligible for the study. The prevalence of EDS was 17.5% (95% confidence interval 10.13-24.87). The association between ESS scores and HbA1c levels was analyzed using linear regression after adjusting for age, dietary intake, inflammatory markers (erythrocyte sedimentation rate), depression (Patient Health Questionnaire-9 score) and stress (Perceived Stress Scale score): for every unit increase in the ESS score, HbA1c increased by 0.143 g/dL (P < 0.001). CONCLUSION: Subjective EDS and glycemic control. Screening of patients with diabetes in our population. There was a positive association between EDS and glycemic control. Screening of patients with diabetes for EDS should be part of routine diabetes management.	INT	JAN TO JUN	GENERAL MEDICINE, ENDOCRINOLOGY, DIETETICS AND NUTRITION	PMID:30003709 SCOPUS
390.	Rajagopal, Veera M., Rajkumar, Anto P., Jacob, Kuruthukulangara S. and Jacob, Molly Gene-gene interaction between DRD4 and COMT modulates clinical response to clozapine in treatment-resistant schizophrenia	INT	NUL OT NAL	PHARMACOLOGY	WOS:000418460700005

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	Pharmacogenetics and Genomics; 2018, 28 (1): 31-35 Clozapine is the drug of choice for treatment-resistant schizophrenia. However, its use is associated with variable clinical responses and serious adverse effects. Polymorphisms in genes encoding proteins involved in synaptic neurotransmission may account for such variability. Here, we studied independent and epistatic genetic associations of polymorphisms in DRD4 (120-bp duplication) and COMT (Val158Met) with clinical response to clozapine in people with treatment-resistant schizophrenia. We studied 93 participants who were on stable doses of clozapine for at least 12 weeks. A total score of less than or equal to 35 on the Brief Psychiatric Rating Scale was defined as a clinical response. The genetic associations were tested using logistic regression analyses. Neither polymorphism studied was found to be independently associated with response to clozapine. However, a statistically significant gene-gene interaction was observed between the polymorphisms. Participants with the COMT Val/Met or Met/Met genotype, who also had one or two DRD4 120-bp alleles (120/240 and 120/120), showed significantly better clinical response to clozapine. Our results highlight the importance of investigating gene-gene interactions, while studying the pharmacogenetics of clozapine.				
391.	Rajalakshmi, R., Amirtham, S. M., Abirami, V., Subramani, S. and Kanthakumar, P. Effect of cleistanthin a on voltage gated proton channels of human neutrophils Journal of Clinical and Diagnostic Research; 2018, 12 (1): CC05-CC08 Introduction: Cleistanthus collinus (C. collinus), a well known plant toxin, contains active principles like Cleistanthin A, Cleistanthin B, Cleistanthin C and Diphyllin. Previous human case reports and animal studies have revealed that C. collinus poisoning leads to type I Distal renal tubular acidosis and type II respiratory failure. However, the mechanism of toxicity of this plant is still uncertain. Based on the hypothesis that blockade of proton channels could result in type II respiratory failure, patch clamp experiments were done to see if Cleistanthin A blocked the proton channels. Aim: To record and compare the changes in the magnitude of voltage-gated proton currents in human neutrophils, before and after addition of Cleistanthin A (test) and control solution. Materials and Methods: The test compound Cleistanthin A was isolated by partition chromatography and characterised using thin layer chromatography. Neutrophils were isolated by density gradient centrifugation method. Using voltage clamp protocol, proton currents were recorded before (pre-intervention currents) and after (post-intervention currents) the addition of Cleistanthin A or control	NAT	JAN TO JUN	PHYSIOLOGY	SCOPUS

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	solution. The pre and post-intervention current densities for different voltages were compared within the groups (control and test) by Wilcoxon signed-rank test and the percentage current remaining in both the groups were compared using Mann-Whitney U test, p<0.05 was considered significant. Results: Normal proton currents were recorded in human neutrophils. Comparison of the pre and post-intervention current densities within the control and test group revealed a significant depletion effect in the control group but not in the test group. However, comparison of the percentage current remaining after intervention across the groups did not show any significant difference between the control and test groups. Conclusion: Cleistanthin A does not seem to have any significant effect on the voltage-gated proton channels of human neutrophils. © 2018, Journal of Clinical and Diagnostic Research. All rights reserved.				
392.	Rajaratnam, Simon and Rajshekhar, Vedantam Delayed hyponatremia following transsphenoidal surgery for pituitary adenomas Clinical Endocrinology; 2018, 89 41-42	INT	JAN TO JUN	ENDOCRINOLOGY, NEUROSURGERY	WOS:000436537900098
393.	Rajasekaran, S., Thatte, J., Periasamy, J., Javali, A., Jayaram, M., Sen, D., Krishnagopal, A., Jayandharan, G. R. and Sambasivan, R. Infectivity of adeno-associated virus serotypes in mouse testis BMC Biotechnol; 2018, 18 (1): 70 Address: Institute for Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine, GKVK Campus, Bellary Road, Bengaluru, 560065, India. National Centre for Biological Sciences, TIFR, GKVK Campus, Bellary Road, Bengaluru, 560065, India. Department of Haematology and Centre for Stem Cell Research, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632004, India. Cellular and Molecular Therapeutics Laboratory, Centre for Biomaterials, Cellular and Molecular Theranostics (CBCMT), Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Vellore, 632014, India. Department of Biological Sciences and Bioengineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, 208016, India. Institute for Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine, GKVK Campus, Bellary Road, Bengaluru, 560065, India. ramkumars@instem.res.in. BACKGROUND: Recombinant adeno-associated viruses (AAVs) are emerging as favoured transgene delivery vectors for both research applications and gene therapy. In this context, a thorough investigation of the potential of various AAV serotypes to transduce specific cell types is valuable. Here, we rigorously tested the infectivity of a number of AAV serotypes in murine testis by direct testicular injection. RESULTS: We report the tropism of serotypes AAV2, 5, 8, 9 and AAVrh10 in mouse testis. We reveal unique	INT	JAN TO JUN	HAEMATOLOGY AND CENTRE FOR STEM CELL RESEARCH	PMID:30384832 PMC ID:6211462 WOS:000449120700001 SCOPUS

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	infectivity of AAV2 and AAV9, which preferentially target intertubular testosterone-producing Leydig cells. Remarkably, AAV2 TM, a mutant for capsid designed to increase transduction, displayed a dramatic alteration in tropism; it infiltrated seminiferous tubules unlike wildtype AAV2 and transduced Sertoli cells. However, none of the AAVs tested infected spermatogonial cells. CONCLUSIONS: In spite of direct testicular injection, none of the tested AAVs appeared to infect sperm progenitors as assayed by reporter expression. This lends support to the current view that AAVs are safe gene-therapy vehicles. However, testing the presence of rAAV genomic DNA in germ cells is necessary to assess the risk of individual serotypes.	1101			
394.	Rajendra, A., Devasia, A. J., Francis, N. R. and Turaka, V. P. Antenatal chemotherapy in a case of diffuse large B-cell lymphoma BMJ Case Rep; 2018, 2018 Address: Department of Internal Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamilnadu, India. Department of Haematology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamilnadu, India. A 28-year-old pregnant woman in the sixth month of gestation presented with complaints of altered bowel habit for a month, on examination found to have generalised lymphadenopathy, pedal oedema and locally infiltrating ano-rectal growth. Rectal growth biopsy was reported as high-grade B-cell lymphoma. After a discussion in a multidisciplinary panel consisting of haemato-oncologists, obstetricians and physicians, she was planned to receive antenatal chemotherapy. She delivered a live baby of 1.86 kg at 36 weeks of gestational age by normal vaginal delivery. After 6 cycles of chemotherapy she had complete regression of the disease.	INT	JAN TO JUN	INTERNAL MEDICINE, HAEMATOLOGY,	PMID:29386214 SCOPUS
395.	Rajkohila, J., Daniel, P., Ambikaipakan, S. and Rabi, S. Morphological and morphometric analysis of accessory mental foramen in dry human mandibles of south indian population Indian J Dent Res; 2018, 29 (1): 56-60 Address: Department of Anatomy, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Anatomy, University of Jaffna, Jaffna, Sri Lanka, India. Background: Mental foramen (MF) is an important landmark for administration of local anesthesia in surgical procedures involving the mandible. Additional mental foramina, called accessory mental foramina (AMF) transmitting branches of mental nerve, have been reported. Detection of AMFs in presurgical imaging may reduce postoperative pain in dental surgical procedures. Aim: The aim of the study was to study the incidence and morphometric analysis of	NAT	JAN TO JUN	ANATOMY	PMID:29442088

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	accessory MF in the dry human mandibles of South Indian population. Materials and Methods: Two hundred and sixty dry human mandibles were studied for the presence, location, shape of AMF, and its relation to MF. The horizontal diameter of AMF, and its distance from symphysis menti, the posterior border of mandible and from the base of mandible were measured and statistically analyzed. Results and Conclusions: In our study, AMF were present in 8.85% mandibles (unilateral - 7.6% [4.6% - left, 2.69% - right] and bilateral 1.6%). The most common position was below the second premolar (48.1%). AMF were round in shape (74%) and was often located either superomedial or inferolateral to MF. Their transverse diameter ranged from 0.5 to 1 mm. The AMF were situated at a mean distance of 2.96 mm from MF, 23.47 mm from symphysis menti, 11.24 mm from the lower border of the body of the mandible, and 57.35 mm from the posterior border of ramus of mandible. The knowledge of the presence of AMF and its dimensions would enable the clinicians to do mandibular procedures carefully and avoid injury to the branches of mental nerve that may be				
	passing through it.				
396.	Rajkumar, A. P., Petit, C. P., Rachana, A., Deinde, F., Shyamsundar, G., Thangadurai, P. and Jacob, K. S. Correlates of self-reported, autobiographical, and mini-mental status examination defined memory deficits following electroconvulsive therapy in South India Asian J Psychiatr; 2018, 34 47-53 Address: Department of Old Age Psychiatry, Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology, & Neuroscience, King's College London, 16, De Crespigny Park, London, SE5 8AF, United Kingdom; South London and Maudsley NHS foundation Trust, Bethlem Royal Hospital, Monks Orchard Road, Beckenham, BR3 3BX, United Kingdom; Department of Psychiatry, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632002, India. Electronic Address: Anto.Rajamani@kcl.ac.uk. Department of Psychiatry, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632002, India. South London and Maudsley NHS foundation Trust, Bethlem Royal Hospital, Monks Orchard Road, Beckenham, BR3 3BX, United Kingdom. BACKGROUND: Cognitive deficits, self-reported or found following electroconvulsive therapy (ECT), and their correlates are diverse. Despite the characteristics of people receiving ECT in Asia differ widely from the west, pertinent research from Asia remains sparse. METHODS: We investigated the correlates of self-reported, mini-mental status examination (MMSE) defined, and autobiographical memory deficits in a cohort that received ECT in a south Indian tertiary-care setting. 76 consecutive consenting people were recruited within seven days of completing their ECT	INT	JAN TO JUN	PSYCHIATRY	PMID:29635223 SCOPUS

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	course. Memory was assessed by a subjective Likert scale, MMSE, and an autobiographical memory scale (AMS). Psychopathology was assessed by brief psychiatric rating scale, and serum cortisol levels were estimated by chemi-luminescence immunoassays. Relevant sociodemographic and clinical data were collected from the participants, and their medical records. The correlates were analysed using generalised linear models after adjusting for the effects of potential confounders. RESULTS: Self-reported, MMSE-defined, and autobiographical memory deficits were present in 27.6% (95%CI 17.6-37.7%), 42.1% (95%CI 31.0-53.2%), and 36.8% (95%CI 26.0-47.7%) of participants, respectively. Agreement between the memory deficits was poor. Age, less education, duration of illness, hypothyroidism, and past history of another ECT course were significantly associated with MMSE-defined deficits. Age, anaemia, past ECT course, and pre-ECT blood pressure were significantly associated with autobiographical memory deficits, while residual psychopathology and cortisol levels were significantly associated with self-reported memory deficits. CONCLUSION: Self-reported, MMSE-defined, and autobiographical memory deficits are common at the completion of ECT course, and their correlates differ. All service users receiving ECT need periodic cognitive assessments evaluating multiple cognitive domains.				
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398.	Ramamoorthy, H., Abraham, P., Isaac, B. and Selvakumar, D. Mitochondrial pathway of apoptosis and necrosis contribute to tenofovir disoproxil fumarate-induced renal damage in rats Hum Exp Toxicol; 2018, 960327118802619 Address: 1 Department of Biochemistry, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. 2 Department of Anatomy, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (TDF) is currently the only nucleotide analogue reverse-transcriptase inhibitor that is approved by the Food and Drug administration (FDA), USA, for the treatment of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection. In recent days,	INT	JAN TO JUN	BIOCHEMISTRY, ANATOMY,	PMID:30326737

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	renal toxicity is becoming common i HIV patients treated with TDF. However, the mechanism of tenofovir nephrotoxicity is not clear. We hypothesized that mitochondrial pathway of apoptosis, poly [ADP-ribose] polymerase (PARP) overactivation and neutrophil infiltration may contribute to tenofovir-induced renal damage. Renal damage was induced in adult male Wistar rats by the oral administration of 600 mg/kg body weight daily for five consecutive weeks. Kidneys were removed and used for histological and biochemical analyses. Apoptosis was detected by terminal deoxynucleotidyl transferase biotin-deoxyuridine triphosphate nick end-labelling (TUNEL) assay and caspase 3 activity and protein expression; mitochondrial pathway of apoptosis by cyt c release; and PARP activation by immunofluorescence, immunohistochemistry and Western blot techniques. Myeloperoxidase (MPO) activity was measured as a marker of neutrophil infiltration. TDF administration resulted in increased number of TUNEL-positive cells, activation of caspase 3 and release of cyt c from mitochondria into the cytosol in the kidneys. There was increased nuclear localization of PARP as well as increase in its protein level in the TDF-treated rat kidneys. In addition, renal MPO activity was increased ninefold as compared to controls. The results of the present study show that mitochondrial apoptotic pathway, PARP overactivation and neutrophil infiltration contribute to tenofovir-induced renal damage in rats.				
399.	Ramassamy, S., Agrawal, P., Sathishkumar, D., Mathew, L., Peter, J. V., Mani, T. and George, R. Clinical, immunological profile and follow up of patients with pemphigus: A study from India Indian J Dermatol Venereol Leprol; 2018, 84 (4): 408-413 Address: Department of Dermatology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Medicine, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Pemphigus has a protracted course and multiple factors influence its prognosis. The objective of this study was to describe the epidemiology and clinical profile of pemphigus patients and to study its influence on treatment end points. Methods: : This was a retrospective chart review done in an Indian tertiary care hospital from December 1991 to December 2013. Patients with less than 3 months' follow up and those who had paraneoplastic pemphigus were excluded. Results: : There were 132 patients with pemphigus, of which 118 (89.4%) had pemphigus vulgaris and 14 (10.6%) had pemphigus foliaceous. The time to disease control (TDC) was available for 100 patients (n = 100, 75.7%); patients	NAT	JAN TO JUN	DERMATOLOGY, MEDICINE, BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:29536971 WOS:000436616500005 SCOPUS

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	with a minimum follow up of 3 months (n = 80) were included for studying the end points like time to first disease remission (TDR) and time to first disease relapse (TDRe). The median period of follow up was 23 months (range 3-245). Out of the 100 patients, 61.9% were on oral steroids with adjuvant therapy. The steroid dose required for disease control for n = 100, ranged from 0.2 to 1.5 mg/kg body weight. Of these, 60% were treated with steroid dose of 1 mg/kg, 22% with >1 mg/kg, and 18% with <1 mg/kg. The mean time to disease control (in months) in the group which received <1 mg/kg steroid was 1.02 +/- 0.68, 1 mg/kg was 0.72 +/- 0.51, and >1 mg/kg was 1.02 +/- 0.62 (P = 0.017); with a significant difference between the groups 2 and 3 (P = 0.007), implying a faster disease control in those who received 1 mg/kg dose. This difference was significant after adjusting for the steroid sparing drugs taken at baseline (P = 0.009, C.I 1.44-13.59). The mean time to first disease remission (TDR) was 11.46 +/- 2.06 months. Out of the 80 patients with a minimum follow up of 3 months, 75% had achieved either partial or complete remission. None of the other epidemiological, clinical or immunological parameters had an impact on the TDC or TDR. Conclusions: The epidemiological, clinical or immunological parameters had no impact on the treatment end points like time to disease control and time to first disease remission. The dose of steroids required for disease control higher than 1 mg/kg offered no advantage in the time to disease control as compared to 1 mg/kg. Limitations: The study was retrospective and disease severity scores were not applied. In view of the shorter follow up period, long term prognostic end points and mortality could not be well represented. The median period of follow up was 23 months. The serum antidesmoglein antibody titres were not available at various treatment end points for correlation at different time intervals.				
400.	Ramchandran, R., Verma, S., Dasgupta, R. and Thomas, N. Bitter experience with liquorice sweetening agent resulting in apparent mineralocorticoid excess with periodic paralysis BMJ Case Rep; 2018, 2018 Address: Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Chronic liquorice ingestion is a rare cause of secondary hypertension and hypokalaemia with periodic paralysis. We report the case of a middle-aged Indian man who presented with hypertension and hypokalaemic alkalosis with recurrent bouts of periodic paralysis. Biochemical investigations revealed suppressed plasma renin and aldosterone concentrations with normal cortisol concentration. A detailed history revealed that he was addicted for the last 5 years to a form of chewing tobacco mixed with herbal preparations as a sweetening agent which on analysis revealed	INT	JAN TO JUN	ENDOCRINOLOGY	PMID:30097547 SCOPUS

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	active principles of glycyrrhizin using the thin liquid chromatography method. The hypokalaemia resolved and hypertension control improved significantly after discontinuing liquorice consumption, and the patient was asymptomatic at 1-year follow-up. Long-term liquorice ingestion should be kept in mind as a reversible cause of hypokalaemic periodic paralysis, with a meticulous history and biochemical evaluation helping in identifying this recognisable and curable medical disorder.				
401.	Rane, S. Y., Lamba, S., Gohil, A. J. and Gupta, A. K. Compendium of scalp arteriovenous malformation (AVM) cases—a retrospective study and review European Journal of Plastic Surgery; 2018, 41 (2): 223-228 Background: Arteriovenous malformations (AVMs) are abnormal connections between arterial feeding vessels and draining veins, devoid of a normal capillary bed. Treatment options include complete surgical excision or eradication. Following surgical excision, the defect can be closed primarily or covered with the preplanned local flap or skin graft. We aimed to assess various cases of AVMs and review the current literature to determine a treatment rationale and improve surgical outcomes. Methods: A retrospective study including data of 21 patients with extra cranial scalp AVMs was carried out at our institute between 2010 and 2016. Fourteen patients underwent digital subtraction angiography; remaining patients were evaluated by MR/CT angiography. Eighteen patients underwent direct excision. Three patients with large AVMs (> 10 cm) underwent preoperative embolization followed by surgical excision. Results: Of the 21 patients with mean age of 24 years ranging from 3 to 41 years. The mean duration of symptom was 6.7 years. Superficial temporal artery (62%) was the most commonly involved feeder vessel. Eighteen patients underwent direct excision while three underwent embolization followed by excision. Two patients had recurrence of symptoms. There was partial flap necrosis in three patients which were managed with dressings and skin graft. Conclusions: Surgical excision of AVMs, which includes ligation of all arterial feeders near the nidus and excision of nidus, is a safe option with lesser complications and gives good results. Preoperative embolization reduces vascularity and helps in easy identification of AVMs during surgery thus achieving complete excision and improving the prognosis of treatment especially in the large AVM. Level of Evidence: Level IV, therapeutic study. © 2017, Springer-Verlag GmbH Germany.	INT	JAN TO JUN	PLASTIC SURGERY	SCOPUS

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402.	Rani, P. P., Charles, H., Sudhakar Russell, P. S., Selvaraj, K. G., Mammen, P. M., Russell, S. and Mk, C. Nair Dysfunction among Families of Children with Intellectual Disability in India Using Systems Model: Prevalence, Pattern, and Severity of Impairment Indian J Psychol Med; 2018, 40 (1): 33-37 Address: Department of Psychiatric Nursing, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Unit, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Objectives: Family dysfunction is observed in families with children with intellectual disability (ID). We study the prevalence, pattern of dysfunction, and severity of impairment in these special families using Systems approach. Methods: Sixty-two special families (a child with ID) and 62 typical families (all children with typical development) were included in the present study. The presence of ID was confirmed and quantified with the Binet-Kamat Scale of intelligence or Gesell's Developmental Schedule and Vineland Social Maturity Scales among the special families. In the typical families, brief ID scale was used to rule out ID. Prevalence, pattern, and severity of family dysfunction were assessed using Family Apgar Scale, Chicago Youth Development Study Family Assessment Scale and Global Assessment of Relational Functioning Scale, respectively. Appropriate bivariate analyses were used. Results: About 53% of special families and 19% of typical families had family dysfunction, esolve, beliefs about family, beliefs about development, beliefs about purpose, cohesion, deviant beliefs, support, organization, and communication were significantly different between special and typical families. The functional impairment was significantly more in the special families. Conclusion: Family dysfunction is more prevalent among spec	NAT	JAN TO JUN	PSYCHIATRIC NURSING, PSYCHIATRY, CHILD AND ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRY UNIT, BIOSTATISTICS,	PMID:29403127 PMC ID:5795676 SCOPUS
403.	Ranjan, J. and Prakash, J. A. J. Scrub typhus re-emergence in India: Contributing factors and way forward Med Hypotheses; 2018, 115 61-64 Address: Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India.	INT	JAN TO JUN	CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY	PMID:29685200 WOS:000432762500015 SCOPUS

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	Immunology Laboratories, Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Electronic Address: prakjaj@cmcvellore.ac.in. Scrub typhus is a mite borne infectious disease which has re-emerged in India in the 3rd millennium after years of quiescence. In this review, the authors hypothesize the various factors responsible for resurgence of this disease. The main drivers that could have contributed to the upsurge in scrub typhus cases in past two decades are changes in land use land cover (LULC) and urbanisation which are; as a result of the population explosion, causing a strain on sanitation and also increased diversion of forest land for agricultural use. In addition, the availability of better tests, changes in antimicrobial use, climate change also could have impacted the epidemiology, which is showing an upward trend as is evidenced by increasing reports and concomitant publications from India on scrub typhus. Scrub typhus cases are supposed to increase in the coming years as factors like global warming, urbanisation, changes in LULC and rise in AMR (anti-microbial resistance) will be difficult or impossible to control. Therefore, increasing awareness of public and health care professionals regarding scrub typhus coupled with availability of rapid diagnostic assays and implementation of appropriate treatment protocols for control of AFI (acute febrile illness) especially at the community level will help mitigate the scenario in the long run.				
404.	Rao, P. B., Mangaraj, M., Mahajan, P., Tripathy, S., Singh, N., Mani, T. and Nayak, S. The Carrico index is the parameter that guides the requirement of oxygen in the postoperative period in patients undergoing head and neck surgery under general anaesthesia: a cross-sectional study Rom J Anaesth Intensive Care; 2018, 25 (1): 49-54 Address: Department of Anaesthesiology and Critical Care, AIIMS, Patrapada, Bhubaneswar-751019, Odisha, India. Department of Biochemistry, AIIMS, Patrapada, Bhubaneswar-751019, Odisha, India. Department of Community & Family medicine, AIIMS, Patrapada, Bhubaneswar-751019, Odisha, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background & aims: Altered lung function and consequent decrease in oxygenation has been linked to the duration of anaesthesia. This necessitates oxygen monitoring and supplementation in the perioperative period. But, evidence is lacking regarding the parameter that guides best the oxygen supplementation in the postoperative period and the parameter that correlates best with the duration of anaesthesia. Methods: Adult patients scheduled for head & neck surgery under general anaesthesia were recruited. Two	INT	JAN TO JUN	BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:29756063 PMC ID:5931183 SCOPUS

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	radial arterial blood samples one at pre-induction and the other at one hour after extubation were obtained. Primary outcome measures were partial pressure of oxygen (PaO2), saturation (SpO2), arterial oxygen content (CaO2) and Carrico index (PaO2/FiO2) and their relation with duration of anaesthesia. Results: Data from 112 patients showed a hypoxaemia incidence of 11.6%. We observed a drop in the mean CaO2 and haemoglobin concentration but a rise in the mean PaO2 at recovery. The mean PaO2/FiO2 deteriorated by 225.65 +/- 72.46 (95% CI 367.66, 83.64, p = 0.000) at recovery and there was a significant correlation (r = 0.2, p = 0.03) between duration of anaesthesia and decrease in PaO2/FiO2 at recovery with a regression coefficient of 0.27 (95% CI 0.02, 0.50). Conclusions: The Carrico index was proven to be the best parameter which needs to be monitored perioperatively to detect the alteration in the gaseous exchange in patients undergoing general anaesthesia for head and neck surgery. There is a positive correlation between the decrease in the Carrico index and the duration of anaesthesia especially when it is prolonged beyond 150 minutes.					
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	Vellore, India. Path, usa. Serum Institute of India Pvt. Ltd., Pune, India. Electronic Address: drpsk@seruminstitute.com. BACKGROUND: A heat-stable bovine-human rotavirus reassortant pentavalent vaccine (BRV-PV, ROTASIIL(R)) was developed in India. In this study, the vaccine was tested for safety, immunogenicity and clinical lot-to-lot consistency. METHODS: This was a Phase III, open label, randomized, equivalence design study. The primary objective was to demonstrate lot-to-lot consistency of BRV-PV. Subjects were randomized into four arms, three arms received Lots A, B, and C of BRV-PV and the control arm, received Rotarix(R). Three doses of BRV-PV or two doses of Rotarix(R) and one dose of placebo were given at 6, 10, and 14weeks of age. Blood samples were collected four weeks after the third dose to assess rotavirus IgA antibody levels. The three lots of BRV-PV were equivalent if the 95% Confidence Intervals (CIs) of the geometric mean concentration (GMC) ratios were between 0.5 and 2. Solicited reactions were collected by using diary cards. RESULTS: The study was conducted in 1500 randomized infants, of which 1341 infants completed the study. The IgA GMC ratios among the three lots were around 1 (Lot A versus Lot B: 1.07; Lot A versus Lot C: 1.06; and Lot B versus Lot C: 0.99). The 95% CIs for the GMC ratios were between 0.78 and 1.36. The IgA GMCs were: BRV-PV group 19.16 (95% CI 17.37-21.14) and Rotarix(R) group 10.92 (95% CI 9.36-12.74) (GMC ratio 1.75; 90% CI 1.51-2.04). Seropositivity rates were 46.98% (95% CI 43.86-50.11) and 31.12% (95% CI 9.36-12.74). The incidence of solicited reactions was comparable across the four arms. No serious adverse events were associated with the study vaccines, except two gastroenteritis events in the BRV-PV groups. CONCLUSION: Lot-to-lot consistency of BRV-PV was demonstrated in terms of GMC ratios of IgA antibodies. The vaccine safety and immunogenicity profiles were similar to those of Rotarix(R). Clinical Trials.Gov [NCT02584816] and Clinical Trial Registry of Indi				
406.	Ratnakumari, M. E., Manavalan, N., Sathyanath, D., Ayda, Y. R. and Reka, K. Study to Evaluate the Changes in Polycystic Ovarian Morphology after Naturopathic and Yogic Interventions Int J Yoga; 2018, 11 (2): 139-147 Address: Department of Naturopathy, Government Yoga and Naturopathy Medical College, Arumbakkam, Chennai, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS) is one of the commonest endocrine disorders in women, with a prevalence	INT	JAN TO JUN	BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:29755223 PMC ID:5934949

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	ranging from 2.2% to 26% in India. Patients with PCOS face challenges including irregular menstrual cycles, hirsutism, acne, acanthosis nigricans, obesity and infertility. 9.13% of South Indian adolescent girls are estimated to suffer from PCOS. The efficacy of Yoga & Naturopathy (Y&N) in the management of polycystic ovarian syndrome requires to be investigated. Aims: The aim of the present study is to observe the morphological changes in polycystic ovaries of patients following 12 weeks of Y&N intervention. Settings and Design: The study was conducted at the Government Yoga and Naturopathy Medical College and Hospital, Chennai, India. The study was a single blinded prospective, pre-post clinical trial. Methods and Material: Fifty PCOS patients of age between 18 and 35 years who satisfied the Rotterdam criteria were recruited for the study. According to their immediate participation in the study they were either allocated to the intervention group (n=25) or in the wait listed control group (n=25). The intervention group underwent Y&N therapy for 12 weeks. Change in polycystic ovarian morphology, anthropometric measurements and frequency of menstrual cycle were studied before and after the intervention. Results: Significant improvement was observed in the ovarian morphology (P<0.001) and the anthropometric measurements (P<0.001) between the two groups. Conclusions: The findings of the study indicate that Y&N interventions are efficient in bringing about beneficial changes in polycystic ovarian morphology. We speculate that a longer intervention might be required to regulate the frequency of menstrual cycle.				
407.	Raveendran, S., Kota, A. A., Stephen, E., Pallapati, S. C. R. and Thomas, B. P. Synovial sarcoma of the brachial plexus - a rare tumor in a rare area: a case report J Med Case Rep; 2018, 12 (1): 334 Address: Dr. Paul Brand Centre for Hand and Peripheral Nerve Surgery, Vellore, India. Department of Vascular Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632004, India. albertkota@cmcvellore.ac.in. Department of Vascular Surgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 632004, India. BACKGROUND: Synovial cell sarcomas are usually seen in a juxta-articular location. However, they occur rarely in the head and neck region. CASE PRESENTATION: We report a rare case of brachial plexus synovial sarcoma in a 24-year old South Asian man treated successfully with surgical excision followed by radiotherapy. CONCLUSIONS: Synovial sarcoma arising from the brachial plexus is rare. The treatment is multimodal with complete excision (often challenging owing to the proximity of the neurovascular structures) and adjuvant therapy.	INT	JAN TO JUN	HAND AND PERIPHERAL NERVE SURGERY, VASCULAR SURGERY	PMID:30409199 PMC ID:6225558 SCOPUS

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408.	Raveendran, S., Rajendra Benny, K., Monica, S., Pallapati, S. R., Keshava, S. N. and Thomas, B. P. Multiple Stab Incisions and Evacuation Technique for Contrast Extravasation of the Hand and Forearm J Hand Surg Am; 2018, Address: Paul Brand Centre for Hand Surgery, Christian Medical College & Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India; Department of Radiology, Christian Medical College & Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Paul Brand Centre for Hand Surgery, Christian Medical College & Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India; Department of Radiology, Christian Medical College & Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Electronic Address: binu@cmcvellore.ac.in. Extravasation of intravenous contrast agents in the hand and forearm during computed tomography scanning is rising with the use of automated pressure injectors. The main concern in such a situation is progression to acute compartment syndrome and necrosis of the overlying skin. Management has been mainly nonsurgical comprising upper limb elevation and orthosis, with surgical techniques such as liposuction and saline evacuation mainly used for large volume (>50 mL) extravasations. We have developed a technique of multiple stab incisions and drainage for the treatment of contrast extravasations.	INT	JAN TO JUN	HAND AND PERIPHERAL NERVE SURGERY, RADIOLOGY	PMID:30292713 SCOPUS
409.	Ravi, P. Y., Sigamani, E., Jeelani, Y. and Manipadam, M. T. Methotrexate-associated Epstein-Barr virus mucocutaneous ulcer: A case report and review of literature Indian J Pathol Microbiol; 2018, 61 (2): 255-257 Address: Department of General Pathology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Epstein-Barr virus-positive mucocutaneous ulcer (EBVMCU) comprises part of the spectrum of B-cell lymphoproliferative disorders, reported in settings of immunosenescence and iatrogenic immunosuppression, affecting the oropharyngeal mucosa, skin, and gastrointestinal tract. We report a case of a 59-year-old female, known case of rheumatoid arthritis on methotrexate (MTX) for 15 years, who presented with an ulcer in the inner aspect of her cheek region for 2 years. Clinical examination revealed an infiltrative lesion involving the lower gingivobuccal sulcus of size 2 cm x 3 cm extending to the alveolus with level I lymph nodes, suspicious for carcinoma buccal mucosa. Anti-EBV-capsid antigen-immunoglobulin M and qualitative EBV polymerase chain reaction of peripheral blood were negative. Histopathological examination revealed atypical lymphoid cells with enlarged vesicular nuclei, prominent nucleoli, and moderate eosinophilic	NAT	JAN TO JUN	GENERAL PATHOLOGY	PMID:29676371 WOS:000430851900022 SCOPUS

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	cytoplasm, few with binucleation (CD20 focally positive, CD79a focally positive, CD30+, EBV LMP-1+, MIB-I 60%) consistent with EBVMCU, MTX-associated. This is the first case report from India.				
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	were 57% (range, 48% to 67%) and 48% (range, 36% to 59%). Age at transplantation was not associated with survival, but grades II to IV acute graft-versus-host disease (GVHD) risks were higher for patients aged 65years or older (subdistribution HR [sHR], 1.7; 95% confidence interval, 1.07 to 2.72; P=.026). Chronic GVHD was lower with the GVHD prophylaxis regimens calcineurin inhibitor (CNI)+methotrexate (sHR, .52; 95% CI, .33 to .81; P=.004) and CNI alone or with other agents (sHR, .27; 95% CI, .14 to .53; P < .001) compared with CNI+mycophenolate. Although donor availability is modifiable only to a limited extent, choice of GVHD prophylaxis and selection of patients with good performance scores are key for improved outcomes.				
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	inflammation, endothelial function and tissue remodelling Indian Pacing Electrophysiol J; 2018, 18 (1): 1-5 Address: Centre for Heart Rhythm Disorders, South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute, University of Adelaide and Royal Adelaide Hospital, Adelaide, Australia. Department of Cardiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Centre for Heart Rhythm Disorders, South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute, University of Adelaide and Royal Adelaide Hospital, Adelaide, Australia. Electronic Address: scott.willoughby@adelaide.edu.au. BACKGROUND: It has been suggested that ethnicity can make a significant difference to the likelihood of thromboembolic stroke related to atrial fibrillation. Ethnic differences have been shown to alter inflammatory and haemostatic factors; however, this may all be confounded by differences in cardiovascular risk factors between different ethnicity. The impact of different ethnicities on the thrombogenic profile is not known. The aim of this study was to investigate differences in markers of inflammation, endothelial function and tissue remodelling between Caucasian and Indian populations with supraventricular tachycardia (SVT). METHODS: Patients with structurally normal hearts undergoing catheter ablation for SVT were studied. This study included 23 Australian (Caucasian) patients from the Royal Adelaide Hospital, Adelaide, Australia and 24 Indian (Indian) patients from the Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Blood samples were collected from the femoral vein, and right and left atria. Blood samples were analysed for the markers of endothelial function (ADMA, ET-1), inflammation (CD40L, VCAM-1, ICAM-1), and tissue remodelling (MMP-9, TIMP-1) using ELISA. RESULTS: The study populations were well matched for cardiovascular risk factors and the absence of structural heart disease. No difference in markers of inflammation, endothelial function or tissue remodelling between the two ethnicities was found. In this context, there was no difference in m				
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	Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Radiation Therapy, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Objective To report the management outcome in a series of patients with advanced juvenile nasopharyngeal angiofibroma (JNA). Design Retrospective study. Setting Tertiary care teaching hospital. Participants Forty-five patients classified as Radkowski stage IIIA or IIIB who presented to us over the past 10 years. Main Outcome Measures Surgical approaches used and disease free outcomes in patients with advanced JNA. Results Surgical access for the extracranial component included open (41.9%) and expanded endonasal approaches (58.1%). Craniotomy (16.3%), endoscopy-assisted open approach (7%), or expanded endonasal approach (20.9%) was performed to excise the skull base or intracranial component. Follow up ranged from 4 to 96 months (mean, 20.3 months). Of 35 patients who underwent imaging at the first postoperative follow up, 25 (71.4%) had negative scans. Three symptomatic patients with residual disease underwent endoscopic excision and had negative scans thereafter. Of two others who had radiation therapy, one was disease free and the other lost to follow up. Five others had stable, residual disease. At the last follow-up, 27 (77.1%) patients had negative scans, and 7 (20%) had stable residual disease with one (2.9%) patient lost to follow-up. Conclusions Advanced JNA may be successfully treated in most cases with expanded endonasal/endoscopy assisted +/- craniotomy approach after appropriate preoperative evaluation. At follow-up, only symptomatic patients or those with enlarging residue require treatment; periodic imaging surveillance is adequate for those with stable disease.				
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	adolescents and 37 adults) who underwent successful percutaneous device closure of PDA between January 2011 and February 2017.Baseline patient demographics, clinical characteristics, procedural and device related variables, and immediate outcomes during hospital stay were recorded. Patients were followed up for residual shunt and complications. Results: Of 70 PDA device closure cases, 71.4% were females; the mean age was 23 years (range: 10-58years). Devices used were 4-Cook's detachable coils, 64-occluders (ADO-I and II, Lifetech, Cardi-O-Fix), 1-vascular plug and 1-ventricular septal occluder device. Device success was achieved in all including those with very large PDAs. At 24-h post-procedure, the success rate of transcatheter intervention was 95.7%. At 6-months follow up, complete closure was observed in all (mean follow up duration-531 days). In patients with severe PAH, significant immediate and sustained reduction of the mean pulmonary pressure was observed(77 mmHg to 33 mmHg; P = 0.014). No procedure-related complications including death, device embolization and stenosis of aorta or pulmonary artery occurred. Conclusions: In contemporary practice, percutaneous device closure is an effective and safe treatment option for adolescent and adult PDA patients. © 2017	INT			
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	BACKGROUND: More than 500 000 neonatal deaths per year result				
	from possible serious bacterial infections (pSBIs), but the causes				
	are largely unknown. We investigated the incidence of				
	community-acquired infections caused by specific organisms among				
	neonates in south Asia. METHODS: From 2011 to 2014, we				
	identified babies through population-based pregnancy surveillance				
	at five sites in Bangladesh, India, and Pakistan. Babies were visited				
	at home by community health workers up to ten times from age 0 to				
	59 days. Illness meeting the WHO definition of pSBI and randomly				
	selected healthy babies were referred to study physicians. The				
	primary objective was to estimate proportions of specific infectious				
	causes by blood culture and Custom TaqMan Array Cards molecular				
	assay (Thermo Fisher, Bartlesville, OK, USA) of blood and				
	respiratory samples. FINDINGS: 6022 pSBI episodes were				
	identified among 63 114 babies (95.4 per 1000 livebirths). Causes				
	were attributed in 28% of episodes (16% bacterial and 12% viral).				
	Mean incidence of bacterial infections was 13.2 (95% credible				
	interval [CrI] 11.2-15.6) per 1000 livebirths and of viral infections				
	was 10.1 (9.4-11.6) per 1000 livebirths. The leading pathogen was				
	respiratory syncytial virus (5.4, 95% CrI 4.8-6.3 episodes per 1000				
	livebirths), followed by Ureaplasma spp (2.4, 1.6-3.2 episodes per				
	1000 livebirths). Among babies who died, causes were attributed to				
	46% of pSBI episodes, among which 92% were bacterial. 85 (83%)				
	of 102 blood culture isolates were susceptible to penicillin,				
	ampicillin, gentamicin, or a combination of these drugs.				
	INTERPRETATION: Non-attribution of a cause in a high proportion of				

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	patients suggests that a substantial proportion of pSBI episodes				
	might not have been due to infection. The predominance of bacterial				
	causes among babies who died, however, indicates that appropriate				
	prevention measures and management could substantially affect				
	neonatal mortality. Susceptibility of bacterial isolates to first-line				
	antibiotics emphasises the need for prudent and limited use of				
	newer-generation antibiotics. Furthermore, the predominance of				
	atypical bacteria we found and high incidence of respiratory syncytial virus indicated that changes in management strategies for				
	treatment and prevention are needed. Given the burden of disease,				
	prevention of respiratory syncytial virus would have a notable effect				
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424.	Sahni, R. D., Mathai, D., Sudarsanam, T. D., Balaji, V.,	INT	JAN TO JUN	CLINICAL	PMID:30166813
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	Extended-Spectrum Beta-lactamase Producers: Detection for the			MEDICINE	SCOPUS
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	Background and Objectives: Discovered in 1983, Extended				
	spectrum beta-lactamase (ESBL) producers are still the leading				
	cause of infections in India. Its prompt detection is crucial to the				
	clinical management. The Clinical Laboratory Standards Institute				
	(CLSI) recommends phenotypic screening and confirmatory tests to				
	identify the ESBL producer making it cost and time consuming for				
	the diagnostic laboratory. We compare here the screening and				
	confirmatory tests offering a solution to the CLSI recommendation.				
	Methods: Nosocomial isolates E. coli (71) and K. pneumoniae (25)				
	resistant to cefotaxime and ceftazidime were included. CLSI				
	recommended testing with cefotaxime, ceftazidime and in				
	combination with clavulanic acid by disk diffusion and agar dilution				
	methods were performed. E-test was performed on discrepant				
	results. To determine the genetic relatedness of the organisms, 22 Medical and Surgical ICU isolates were genotyped by PFGE.				
	Dendrogram was constructed using dice co-efficient, UPGMA				
	method with diversity database software. Results and Conclusions:				
	Phenotypic screening disk diffusion test versus the confirmatory				
	agar dilution MIC tests with cefotaxime and ceftazidime correlated				
	well with the final ESBL status (kappa 0.852 and 0.905 P < 0.001)				
	and (kappa 0.911 and 0.822 P < 0.001). The tests show 99-100%				
	sensitivity, 75-83.3% specificity, and positive likelihood ratios				
	between 4.0 -5.9. E-test confirmed 6 of 12 discordant results as				
	ESBLs. Of the 96 nosocomial isolates screened as possible ESBL				

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	producers by the Kirby-Bauer disk diffusion test, 86.5% were confirmed ESBL producers. Genotyping on the ICU isolates by PFGE revealed a genetically diverse population suggesting no transmission of phenotypically similar ESBL strains within the ICUs.				
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	cross sectional study included men (18-60 years) and comprised of three groups: Group-1 was treatment naive HBV related CLD (n = 79), Group-2 those with HBV related CLD on tenofovir for at least 1 year (n = 136), Group-3 age, sex and Body Mass Index (BMI) matched healthy controls (n = 58). Bone biochemistry and Bone Mineral Density (BMD) at spine, Femoral Neck (FN) and forearm were studied. Independent t-test or ANOVA was used to compare the means of continuous variables and chi-square test for categorical variables. Multiple logistic regression was used to assess the factors causing Low Bone Mass (LBM) at FN. Results: A significantly greater proportion (P < 0.05) of patients (40%) with CLD (group 1 and group 2) had vitamin D deficiency (<20 ng/ml) in comparison with control group (22%). The mean serum C-Terminal telopeptide was significantly higher (P < 0.05) and the mean BMD was significantly lower (P < 0.05) in subjects with HBV related CLD than controls. The prevalence of LBM was higher in group 1 at the spine (31%) and forearm (18.4%) when compared to controls (8.1% and 7.8% respectively) (P < 0.05). The proportion of patients with LBM at FN was highest in group 2 (12.3%) compared to those in group 1 (8%) and group 3 (4%) (P < 0.05). Advanced age, low BMI, and high viral load (>10,000 IU/ml) emerged as significant risk factors for LBM at FN. Conclusion: The impact of hepatitis-B related CLD as well as its treatment on bone health is significant. Bone health need to be periodically evaluated in these subjects especially in older men who are lean and have a higher viral load.	INT			
428.	Sakthivel, M. S., Prabha, R., Singh, O., Kekre, N. S. and Kumar, S. The effect of phosphodiesterase-5 inhibitor, tadalafil, on in vitro potassium chloride-induced contractions of isolated human ureteral tissue Indian J Urol; 2018, 34 (4): 287-291 Address: Department of Urology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Consultant Urologist, Kalyani Kidney Care Centre, Erode, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Clinical Pharmacology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Consultant Urologist, Department of Urology, Shrimann Superspeciality Hospital, Jalandhar, India. Introduction: Drugs causing ureteral relaxation are used for medical expulsive therapy (MET) for stones. We investigated the in vitro ability of tadalafil to cause relaxation of potassium chloride (KCI)-induced contractions of isolated human ureteral tissue. Materials and Methods: Eight grossly normal proximal ureteral tissues were collected from the radical and donor nephrectomy specimen. The standard organ bath protocol was followed. Ureteral	NAT	JAN TO JUN	UROLOGY, CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY	PMID:30337785 PMC ID:6174708 SCOPUS

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	contractions were induced with 80 mM KCl before and after exposure to tadalafil. Results: The median amplitude and frequency of KCl-induced contractions and the median area under the contractility curve (AUCC) after exposure to 20 muM tadalafil showed significant reductions compared to that of before exposure to tadalafil (7.87 cm, 3.79/min, and 2.98 cm(2), respectively, versus 9.37 cm, 4.48/min, and 4.50 cm(2), respectively; P = 0,026, 0.008, and 0.008, respectively). After exposure to 40 muM tadalafil, the median amplitude and frequency of KCl-induced contractions and AUCC (4.50 cm, 2.56/min, and 0.92 cm(2), respectively) showed significant reductions compared to that of before exposure to tadalafil (7.62 cm, 3.88/min, and 3.32 cm(2), respectively; P = 0.008, 0.016, and 0.008, respectively). However, reductions in the parameters after exposure to 20 muM and 40 muM tadalafil were similar (P = 0.065, 0.195, and 0.130, respectively, for median amplitude, frequency, and AUCC). Conclusion: Tadalafil reduces KCl-induced contractions of isolated human ureteral tissue in vitro. No incremental relaxations in contractions occurred by increasing the dose of tadalafil from 20 muM to 40 muM.				
429.	Samuel, R., Thomas, E. and Jacob, K. S. Instrumental Activities of Daily Living Dysfunction among People with Schizophrenia Indian J Psychol Med; 2018, 40 (2): 134-138 Address: Department of Psychiatry, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Occupational Therapy, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Life skills are the basic skills that are needed to live independently and that support meaningful, productive roles. The negative symptoms and cognitive dysfunction seen in schizophrenia may lead to deterioration in the life skills of the patient. The assessment of current life skills of the patient and subsequent intervention becomes necessary for comprehensive rehabilitation of people with mental illness. This study attempted to assess the instrumental activities of daily living among people with schizophrenia in India. Methods: One hundred consecutive patients with schizophrenia, between 18 and 60 years, who presented to a tertiary psychiatric facility were assessed using (i) Lawton instrumental activities of daily living scale (LIADL), (ii) positive and negative symptom scale (PANSS), (iii) pro forma for sociodemographic and clinical characteristics. Results: The majority of the patients were male, young adults, married, with secondary school education, middle socioeconomic status, from nuclear families, unemployed and were diagnosed to have paranoid schizophrenia. The reported IADL dysfunction included difficulties in handling medications (86%), preparing food (85%), shopping	NAT	JAN TO JUN	PSYCHIATRY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	PMID:29962569 PMC ID:6008996 SCOPUS

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	(78%), handling finances (61%), doing laundry (52%), housekeeping (47%), using public transport (32%), and using telephones (5%). The dysfunction documented differs from that reported in the west. Total PANSS score (P = 0.015) and its general psychopathology subscale (P = 0.005) correlated inversely with the total LIADL score; PANSS scores and sociodemographic variables were associated with some subscales of LIADL. Conclusions: IADL dysfunction, common in people with schizophrenia, demands detailed assessment, and tailored training to ensure optimum functioning.				
430.	Samuel, S. S., Ross, B. J., Rebekah, G. and Koshy, S. Natal and Neonatal Teeth: A Tertiary Care Experience Contemp Clin Dent; 2018, 9 (2): 218-222 Address: Department of Dental and Oral Surgery, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Neonatology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Presence of teeth in a neonate is a rare occurrence due to the disturbance in the biological chronology of teeth. Although uncommon, these teeth if present are found to have several clinical implications. Aims: This study aimed to describe the clinical characteristics and the treatment outcome of natal and neonatal teeth from a hospital setting. Materials and Methods: This retrospective study was carried out by reviewing the hospital records of babies with natal or neonatal teeth in a tertiary hospital in Tamil Nadu between January 1, 2012, and December 31, 2014. Babies with complete clinical data along with their follow-up records were selected and results were analyzed. Results: Complete clinical data of 33 babies with a total of 52 teeth were included, of which 28 teeth were natal and 24 teeth were neonatal. All the teeth were located in the mandibular primary incisor region and majority were in pairs. A positive family history was present in eight cases. Extractions were carried out only in cases where the teeth were found to be extremely loose or interfering with feeding. The only local complication noted in this study suggest that natal and neonatal teeth may have a possible hereditary basis. All the teeth were noted to be prematurely erupted primary teeth rather than supernumerary teeth. Both dentists and pediatricians need to be aware of the clinical implications of these teeth and that they should be retained unless they are symptomatic.	INT	JAN TO JUN	DENTAL AND ORAL SURGERY, NEONATOLOGY, BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:29875564 PMC ID:5968686 SCOPUS

S.No	AUTHOR, TITLE, SOURCE, AUTHOR AFFILIATION, ABSTRACT	NAT /	MONTH	DEPT	PMID
431.	Samuel, S. S., Selvaraj, D. S. S., Ebenezer, J., Rebekah, G. and Koshy, S. Nature and pattern of primary teeth extractions in a tertiary care hospital setting in South India Indian J Dent Res; 2018, 29 (2): 186-189 Address: Department of Dental and Oral Surgery, Unit-II, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Many studies have been carried out on the prevalence of dental diseases in children although not much information is available regarding its outcome among Indian children. Aim: The aim of the present study was to analyze the type of primary tooth extracted and the reasons for the extraction among children attending a tertiary care hospital in the Southern part of India. Materials and Methods: The dental records of pediatric patients who had visited the dental clinic of a tertiary care hospital located in Tamil Nadu, South India from December 2013 to November 2016 were reviewed. Patients who underwent extraction of at least one primary tooth under local or general anesthesia were included in the study. Results: A total of 943 primary teeth were extracted from 447 patients over 3 years. The most commonly extracted tooth type was the first primary molar followed by the primary central incisor. Grouping by age, the most frequently extracted tooth type between 2 and 5 years was the primary central incisor, the first primary molar among 10-15-year-old. The majority of primary teeth extractions were performed in the age group of 6-9 years. No significant gender differences were noted. The most common reason for extraction of primary teeth in children was dental caries. Conclusions: This study demonstrates a high prevalence of untimely primary teeth extractions in young children and dental caries continues to be the leading cause. It clearly reflects on the lack of infant oral health care, the inadequacy of awareness and underutilization of oral health services among children in India.	NAT	JAN TO JUN	DENTAL AND ORAL SURGERY UNIT II	PMID:29652012
432.	Sandhya, P., Danda, D., Rajaratnam, S. and Thomas, N. Corrigendum: Sjögren's, renal tubular acidosis and osteomalacia - An Asian Indian series (The Open Rheumatology Journal, (2014), 8, (103-109), 10.2174/1874312901408010103) Open Rheumatology Journal; 2018, 12 (1): 114-114 Sjögren's, Renal Tubular Acidosis And Osteomalacia-An Asian Indian Series The Open Rheumatology Journal, 2014, 8: 103-109 The correct keywords which are mentioned below: Osteomalacia, Pseudofractures, Renal Tubular Acidosis, Sjögren's syndrome, Vitamin D. The original keywords provided were: Osteomalacia, Pseudofractures, Renal Tubular Acidosis, Sj gren s syndrome, Vitamin D. © 2018 Sandhya et al.	INT	JAN TO JUN	ENDOCRINOLOGY	SCOPUS

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433.	Santhanam, S., Arun, S., Rebekah, G., Ponmudi, N. J., Chandran, J., Jose, R. and Jana, A. K. Perinatal risk factors for neonatal early-onset group b streptococcal sepsis after initiation of risk-based maternal intrapartum antibiotic prophylaxis-a case control study Journal of Tropical Pediatrics; 2018, 64 (4): 312-316 Objectives: To identify the perinatal risk factors for early-onset Group B Streptococcus (EOGBS) sepsis in neonates after inception of a risk-based maternal intrapartum antibiotic prophylaxis strategy in 2004. Design: Case control study. Methods: All newborn with early onset GBS sepsis (born between 2004 and 2013) were deemed to be "cases" and controls were selected in a 1:4 ratio. Results: More than three per vaginal (PV) examinations [odds ratio (OR) 8.57, 95% confidence interval (CI) 3.10-23.6] was a significant risk factors. Peripartum fever (OR 3.54, 95% CI 1.3-9.67), urinary tract infection (OR 2.88, 95% CI 1.08-7.63), meconium-stained amniotic fluid (MSAF) (OR 2.52, 95% CI 1.18-5.37) and caesarean section (OR 1.99, 95% CI 1.16-3.43) were also found to be associated with EOGBS sepsis. Conclusion: Multiple vaginal examinations are the strongest risk factors for peripartum Group B Streptococcal (GBS) sepsis. The association of MSAF and caesarean section indicates that foetal distress is an early symptom of perinatal GBS infection. © The Author [2017]. Published by Oxford University Press. All rights reserved	INT	JAN TO JUN	NEONATOLOGY	WOS:000440993500009 SCOPUS
434.	Satayraddi, A., Cherian, K. E., Kapoor, N., Rupali, P. and Paul, T. V. Multiple visceral abscesses in a patient with diabetes mellitus: a rare yet corrigible infection: melioidosis Tropical Doctor; 2018, 48 (1): 54-56	INT	JAN TO JUN	ENDOCRINOLOGY	WOS:000419724800018 SCOPUS
435.	Sebastian, T., Jeyaseelan, V., Jeyaseelan, L., Anandan, S., George, S. and Bangdiwala, S. I. Decoding and modelling of time series count data using Poisson hidden Markov model and Markov ordinal logistic regression models Stat Methods Med Res; 2018, 962280218766964 Address: 1 Department of Biostatistics, 30025 Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. 2 Department of Clinical Microbiology, 30025 Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. 3 Department of Statistics, St Thomas College, Pala, India. 4 Department of Health Research Methods, Evidence and Impact, McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada. Hidden Markov models are stochastic models in which the observations are assumed to follow a mixture distribution, but the parameters of the components are governed by a Markov chain which is unobservable. The issues related to the estimation of Poisson-hidden Markov models in which the observations are	INT	JAN TO JUN	BIOSTATISTICS, CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY	PMID:29616596 SCOPUS

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	coming from mixture of Poisson distributions and the parameters of the component Poisson distributions are governed by an m-state Markov chain with an unknown transition probability matrix are explained here. These methods were applied to the data on Vibrio cholerae counts reported every month for 11-year span at Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Using Viterbi algorithm, the best estimate of the state sequence was obtained and hence the transition probability matrix. The mean passage time between the states were estimated. The 95% confidence interval for the mean passage time was estimated via Monte Carlo simulation. The three hidden states of the estimated Markov chain are labelled as 'Low', 'Moderate' and 'High' with the mean counts of 1.4, 6.6 and 20.2 and the estimated average duration of stay of 3, 3 and 4 months, respectively. Environmental risk factors were studied using Markov ordinal logistic regression analysis. No significant association was found between disease severity levels and climate components.				
436.	Selvam, P., Arunachal, G., Danda, S., Chapla, A., Sivadasan, A., Alexander, M., Thomas, M. M. and Thomas, N. J. Congenital Myasthenic Syndrome: Spectrum of Mutations in an Indian Cohort J Clin Neuromuscul Dis; 2018, 20 (1): 14-27 Address: Department of Medical Genetics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. OBJECTIVES: To investigate the mutational spectrum and genotype-phenotype correlation in Indian patients with congenital myasthenic syndrome (CMS), using next-generation sequencing of 5 genes. METHODS: CHRNE, COLQ, DOK7, RAPSN, and GFPT1 were sequenced in 25 affected patients. RESULTS: We found clinically significant variants in 18 patients, of which variants in CHRNE were the most common, and 9 were novel. A common pathogenic COLQ variant was also detected in 4 patients with isolated limb-girdle congenital myasthenia. CONCLUSIONS: Targeted screening of 5 genes is an effective alternate test for CMS, and an affordable one even in a developing country such as India. In addition, we recommend that patients with isolated limb-girdle congenital myasthenia be screened initially for the common COLQ pathogenic variant. This study throws the first light on the genetic landscape of CMSs in India.	INT	JAN TO JUN	MEDICAL GENETICS, ENDOCRINOLOGY, DIABETES AND METABOLISM, NEUROLOGICAL SCIENCES	PMID:30124556
437.	Sen, I., Agarwal, S., Tharyan, P. and Forster, R. Lumbar sympathectomy versus prostanoids for critical limb ischaemia due to non-reconstructable peripheral arterial disease	INT	JAN TO JUN	VASCULAR SURGERY	PMID:29658630 WOS:000431105500009 SCOPUS

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	Nadu, India, 632004.				
	BACKGROUND: Peripheral arterial disease (PAD) is a common				
	circulatory problem that can lead to reduced blood flow to the limbs,				
	which may result in critical limb ischaemia (CLI), a painful				
	manifestation that occurs when a person is at rest. The mainstay of				
	treatment for CLI is surgical or endovascular repair. However, when				
	these means of treatment are not suitable, due to anatomical				
	reasons or comorbidities, treatment for pain is limited. Lumbar				
	sympathectomy and prostanoids have both been shown to reduce				
	pain from CLI in people who suffer from non-reconstructable PAD,				
	but there is currently insufficient evidence to determine if one				
	treatment is superior. Due to the severity of the rest pain caused by				
	CLI, and its impact on quality of life, it is important that people are				
	receiving the best pain relief treatment available, therefore interest				
	in this area of research is high. OBJECTIVES: To compare the				
	efficacy of lumbar sympathectomy with prostanoid infusion in				
	improving symptoms and function and avoiding amputation in				
	people with critical limb ischaemia (CLI) due to non-reconstructable				
	peripheral arterial disease (PAD). SEARCH METHODS: The				
	Cochrane Vascular Information Specialist (CIS) searched the				
	Specialised Register (last searched 29 March 2017) and CENTRAL				
	(2017, Issue 2). The CIS also searched clinical trials databases for				
	ongoing or unpublished studies. SELECTION CRITERIA:				
	Randomised controlled trials (RCTs), with parallel treatment				
	groups, that compared lumbar sympathectomy (surgical or				
	chemical) with prostanoids (any type and dosage) in people with				
	CLI due to non-reconstructable PAD. DATA COLLECTION AND				
	ANALYSIS: Three review authors independently selected trials,				
	extracted data and assessed risk of bias. Any disagreements were				
	resolved by discussion. We performed fixed-effect model				
	meta-analyses, when there was no overt sign of heterogeneity, with				
	risk ratios (RRs) and 95% confidence intervals (CIs). We graded the				
	quality of evidence according to GRADE. MAIN RESULTS: We included a single study in this review comparing lumbar				
	sympathectomy with prostanoids for the treatment of CLI in people				
	with non-reconstructable PAD. The single study included 200				
	participants with Buerger's disease, a form of PAD, 100 in each				
	treatment group, but only 162 were actually included in the				
	analyses. The study compared an open surgical technique for				
	lumbar sympathectomy with the prostanoid, iloprost, and followed				
	participants for 24 weeks.Risk of bias was low for most evaluated				
	domains. Due to the nature of the treatment, blinding of the				
	participants and those providing the treatment would be impossible				
	as a surgical procedure was compared with intravenous injections.				
	It was not mentioned if blinded assessors evaluated the study				

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	outcomes, therefore, we judged subjective outcomes (i.e. pain	1.41			
	reduction) to be at unclear risk of detection bias and objective				
	outcomes (i.e. ulcer healing, amputation and mortality) at low risk				
	of detection bias. We also rated the risk of attrition bias as unclear;				
	38 out of 200 (19%) participants were not included in the analysis				
	without clear explanation (16 of 100 in the iloprost arm and 22 of				
	100 in the sympathectomy arm). The quality of evidence was low				
	due to serious imprecision because the study numbers were low and				
	there was only one study included. The single included study				
	reported on the outcome of complete healing without pain or major amputation, which fell under three separate outcomes for our				
	review: relief of rest pain, complete ulcer healing and avoidance of				
	major amputation. We chose to keep the outcome as a singularly				
	reported outcome in order to not introduce bias into the outcomes,				
	which may have been the case if reported separately. The limited				
	evidence suggests participants who received prostaglandins had				
	improved complete ulcer healing without rest pain or major				
	amputation when compared with those who received lumbar				
	sympathectomy (RR 1.63, 95% CI 1.30 to 2.05), but as it was the				
	only included study, we rated the data as low-quality and could not				
	draw any overall conclusions. The study authors stated that more				
	participants who received prostaglandins reported adverse effects,				
	such as headache, flushing, nausea and abdominal discomfort, but				
	only one participant experienced severe enough adverse effects to				
	drop out. Five participants who underwent lumbar sympathectomy				
	reported minor wound infection (low-quality evidence). There was				
	no reported mortality in either of the treatment groups (low-quality				
	evidence).The included study did not report on claudication				
	distances, quality of life or functional status, ankle brachial pressure				
	index (ABPI), tissue oxygenation or toe pressures, or progression to				
	minor amputation, complications or provide any cost-effectiveness				
	data. AUTHORS' CONCLUSIONS: Low-quality evidence from a				
	single study in a select group of participants (people with Buerger's				
	disease) suggests that prostaglandins are superior to open surgical				
	lumbar sympathectomy for complete ulcer healing without rest pain				
	or major amputation, but possibly incur more adverse effects.				
	Further studies are needed to better understand if prostaglandins				
	truly are more efficacious than open surgical lumbar				
	sympathectomy and if there are any concerns with adverse effects.				
	It would be of great importance for future studies to include other				
	forms of PAD (as Buerger's disease is a select type of PAD), other methods of sympathectomy as well as data on quality of life,				
	complications and cost-effectiveness.				
	complications and cost-effectiveness.				
438.	Shah, H., Joseph, B., Nair, B. V. S., Kotian, D. B., Choi, I. H., Richards, B. S., Johnston, C., Madhuri, V., Dobbs, M. B. and Dahl,	INT	JAN TO JUN	PAEDIATRIC	PMID:29664876 WOS:000437264000006
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	What Factors Influence Union and Refracture of Congenital Pseudarthrosis of the Tibia? A Multicenter Long-term Study J Pediatr Orthop; 2018, 38 (6): e332-e337 Address: Paediatric Orthopaedic Service, Kasturba Medical College. Aster Medcity, Kuttisahib Road, South Chittoor, Kochi, Kerala.			ORTHOPAEDICS	
	Department of Statistics, Prasanna School of Public Health, Manipal University, Manipal, Karnataka. Division of Pediatric Orthopaedics, Seoul National University Children's Hospital, Seoul, Republic of Korea. Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, University Texas, Southwestern Medical Center and Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children. Department of Orthopedic Surgery, University of Texas, Southwestern Medical School and Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, Dallas, TX. Paediatric Orthopaedic Unit, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamilnadu, India. Washington University School of Medicine, Saint Louis, MO. Limb Length and Deformity Correction, Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare, St. Paul, MN. OBJECTIVE: To identify factors influencing union of congenital pseudarthrosis of the tibia (CPT), refractures, and integrity of the tibia at maturity. METHODS: Data of 119 children operated for Crawford-type IV CPT and followed-up till skeletal maturity were analyzed. Logistic regression and recursive partitioning analyses were used to test associations between several variables and the outcome. RESULTS: Primary union occurred in 86% of children. At maturity, 69% remained soundly united. The odds ratio for failure of primary union was 3.89 (95% confidence interval, 1.05-14.40; P=0.042) when bone morphogenetic protein was used, and children who had a combination of the Ilizarov technique and intramedullary nailing were at risk for unsound union at maturity (odds ratio, 6.19; 95% confidence interval, 1.24-30.83; P=0.026). No other association reached statistical significance. On recursive partitioning, use of the Ilizarov technique, transfixing the ankle and subtalar joints, use of cortical graft and not operating on the fibula were associated with a better outcome; use of bone morphogenetic protein and combining intramedullary nailing with the Ilizarov technique were associated with poor results. CONCLUSIONS: A larger sample is needed to confirm which factors truly influence the outcome of C				
439.	Shankar, C., Kumar, M., Baskaran, A., Paul, M. M., Ponmudi, N., Santhanam, S., Michael, J. S. and Veeraraghavan, B. Molecular characterisation for clonality and transmission dynamics	NAT	JAN TO JUN	CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY AND	PMID:29735827 WOS:000431851400009 SCOPUS

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	tertiary care centre in South India Indian J Med Microbiol; 2018, 36 (1): 54-60 Address: Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Neonatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Purpose:: Sepsis is a significant cause of morbidity and mortality amongst neonates. Klebsiella pneumoniae is a common cause of nosocomial outbreaks causing bacteraemia and having potential of acquiring plasmids enhancing antimicrobial resistance. In the present study, we investigate K. pneumoniae outbreak causing bacteraemia amongst neonates over a span of 2 months. Isolates were characterised for antimicrobial resistance, virulence, molecular typing for clonality and plasmid typing for transmission dynamics, and patient outcome was investigated. Methods: Thirteen isolates of K. pneumoniae were obtained during October-November 2016. Antimicrobial susceptibility testing was performed, and multiplex polymerase chain reaction (PCR) for beta-lactamases and PCR for ompK35 and ompK36 were performed. To study hypervirulence, string test and PCR for rmpA and rmpA2 were performed. Multillocus sequence typing and Inc plasmid typing were carried out to study transmission dynamics. Results: Amongst 13 isolates, all isolates harboured blaSHVand blaTEM; 12 isolates carried blaCTX-M-1. ompK35 was present in all, but ompK36 was absent in 12 isolates. Ten isolates belonged to ST48, 6 amongst which contained IncFII (K) plasmid. One isolate each belonged to ST29, ST111 and ST2647 (novel clone). None of the isolates was hypervirulent. Conclusion: Extended-spectrum beta-lactamase K. pneumoniae is commonly seen in Indian hospitals and main mechanisms being production of SHV, TEM and CTX-M enzymes as seen in the present study. Outer membrane porins contribute significantly to antimicrobial resistance. Emergence of new clones such as ST2647 implies continuous evolution of the organism and also potential for rapid genetic recombination leading to multidrug resistance. Outbreak			NEONATOLOGY	
440.	Shankar, C., Veeraraghavan, B., Nabarro, L. E. B., Ravi, R., Ragupathi, N. K. D. and Rupali, P. Whole genome analysis of hypervirulent Klebsiella pneumoniae isolates from community and hospital acquired bloodstream infection BMC Microbiol; 2018, 18 (1): 6 Address: Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical	INT	JAN TO JUN	CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY, INFECTIOUS DISEASES	PMID:29433440 PMC ID:5809863 WOS:000425125100001
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	Vellore, Tamilnadu, 632004, India. vbalaji@cmcvellore.ac.in. Department of Infectious Diseases, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. BACKGROUND: Hypervirulent K. pneumoniae (hvKp) causes severe community acquired infections, predominantly in Asia. Though initially isolated from liver abscesses, they are now prevalent among invasive infections such as bacteraemia. There have been no studies reported till date on the prevalence and characterisation of hvKp in India. The objective of this study is to characterise the hypervirulent strains isolated from bacteraemic patients for determination of various virulence genes and resistance genes and also to investigate the difference between healthcare associated and community acquired hvKp with respect to clinical profile, antibiogram, clinical outcome and molecular epidemiology. RESULTS: Seven isolates that were susceptible to all of the first and second line antimicrobials and phenotypically identified by positive string test were included in the study. They were then confirmed genotypically by presence of rmpA and rmpA2 by PCR. Among the study isolates, four were from patients with healthcare associated infections; none were fatal. All patients with community acquired infection possessed chronic liver disease with fatal outcome. Genes encoding for siderophores such as aerobactin, enterobactin, yersiniabactin, allantoin metabolism and iron uptake were identified by whole genome sequencing. Five isolates belonged to K1 capsular type including one K. quasipneumoniae. None belonged to K2 capsular type. Four isolates belonged to the international clone ST23 among which three were health-care associated and possessed increased virulence genes. Two novel sequence types were identified in the study; K. pneumoniae belonging to ST2319 and K. quasipneumoniae belonging to ST2320. Seventh isolate belonged to ST420. CONCLUSION: This is the first report on whole genome analysis of hypervirulent K. pneumoniae from India. The novel sequence types described in this st				
441.	Shankar, S., Boyanagari, M., Boyanagari, V. K., Shankar, M. and Ayyanar, R. S. Profile of breast cancer patients receiving government sponsored free treatment and the associated economic costs Clinical Epidemiology and Global Health; 2018, 6 (4): 203-207 Address: Department of Plastic Surgery, Guntur Medical College, Guntur DistrictAndhra Pradesh, India Dr. NTR Vaidya Seva Trust, Govt of Andhra Pradesh, India	INT	NUL OT NAL	PLASTIC SURGERY	SCOPUS

S.No	AUTHOR, TITLE, SOURCE, AUTHOR AFFILIATION, ABSTRACT	NAT /	MONTH	DEPT	PMID
	Christian Medical College, Vellore, TamilNadu, India Background: Incidence of breast cancer in India is on raise and shows a 3–4 fold variation across the country. Materials and methods: In this retrospective study, a total of n = 181 histopathologically confirmed breast cancer cases who visited the tertiary Government hospitals during the period March 2016 to March 2017 were studied. Results: Majority of the patients (n = 108) are of the age group 40 to 59 years. Most of the women (n = 112, 61.9%) belong to the Socio-economic class of Backward caste. Right breast is the common site of occurrence of breast cancer. Histological Grade II (n = 95, 59.0%) is highly predominant. Invasive carcinoma of no special type (NST), is the most common histological type of breast tumor in 173 (95.6%) patients. Clinical stages of T2 (n = 76, 42%), N1 (n = 68, 37.6%) and M0 (n = 163, 90.1%) were the most common stages. Triple negative breast cancer was noticed in (n = 24, 28.9%) out of 83 patients analysed. Modified radical mastectomy (n = 134, 74.0%) is the common surgical procedure followed in treating breast cancer. The total claim amount paid ranged from Rs. 10000 to 49999/- (US\$ 154.98 -US\$ 774.88) with the Mean cost incurred being Rs. 48,477/- (± Rs. 29,082 SD) which equals to US\$ 748.97. Conclusion: Majority of the patients are diagnosed at a later stage due to lack of awareness and access to preventive diagnostic services. Region specific research and planning evidence based preventive programs is the need of the hour. © 2018	1111			
442.	Sharath Babu, N. M., Chacko, S. T., Chacko, B. R. and Irodi, A. Recurrent takotsubo cardiomyopathy in a postmenopausal Indian lady: Is there a pattern? J Postgrad Med; 2018, Address: Department of Cardiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Radiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Takotsubo cardiomyopathy (TTC) is a syndrome of acute left ventricular dysfunction with a clinical presentation often mimicking acute coronary syndrome. Without a high index of suspicion, this clinical entity often goes unrecognized. Although initially categorized as a benign completely reversible condition, it is no longer considered to be so. Recurrence of this condition, though rare, has been reported in a non-Indian population. We present a case of recurrent TTC in a postmenopausal Indian lady who had a similar clinical presentation both at the index event and at recurrence.	NAT	JAN TO JUN	CARDIOLOGY, RADIOLOGY	PMID:30117480
443.	Sharma, A., Gupta, N. and Srivastava, D. Carotid intima-media thickness, flow-mediated dilatation and proteinuria in patients of human immunodeficiency virus-positive	NAT	JAN TO JUN	RHEUMATOLOGY	PMID:30090778 PMC ID:6060914

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	patients: A case-control study J Family Med Prim Care; 2018, 7 (2): 362-367 Address: Department of Rheumatology, King George Medical University, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, India. Department of Rheumatology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Internal Medicine, Max Super Specialty Hospital, New Delhi, India. Introduction: Endothelium-dysfunction (ED) is a surrogate marker of coronary atherosclerotic disease. Carotid intima-media thickness (CIMT), flow-mediated dilatation (FMD), and proteinuria are surrogate markers of ED. Few studies have shown that patients with HIV have impaired endothelial function and are thus at risk of accelerated atherosclerosis. Materials and Methods: The present study assessed ED in HIV patients by various biophysical parameters as brachial artery FMD, CIMT, and proteinuria. A total of 43 HIV-infected patients were compared with 25 healthy controls who were healthy. Results: Mean age of patients with HIV was 33.84 +/- 5.61 years while that of healthy controls was 31.48 +/- 5.40 years. Male to female ratio among cases was 24:19 while among controls was 17:8. Mean CIMT was significantly higher among cases than control (0.513 +/- 0.079, 0.452 +/- 0.050 mm, respectively, P = 0.001). Percentage change in FMD was significantly lower among cases than control (3.27 +/- 2.01, 6.96 +/- 1.28, respectively, P = 0.001). Urine protein grading was significantly different between cases and controls (P = 0.007), with stable HIV cases having significantly higher urine protein grading compared to healthy controls. However, no correlation was seen between CIMT, FMD, and proteinuria overall among cases and controls. Conclusions: HIV-infected patients have significant impairment of endothelial function, in the form of increased CIMT, impaired FMD, and more proteinuria as compared to healthy controls.				
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	BACKGROUND: Globally, 5.82 million deaths occurred among				
	children under the age of five years in 2015 and injury specific				
	mortality rate was 73 per 100,000 population. In India, injury				
	specific mortality rate is around 2.1 per 1000 live births contributing				
	to 4% of the total under 5 mortality rate. This study aims to				
	estimate the burden and understand factors associated with				
	unintentional injuries among children aged 1-5 years residing in				
	urban slums of Vellore, southern India. We also attempted to assess				
	the hazards posed by the living environment of these children and				
	study their association with unintentional injury patterns.				
	METHODS: This cross-sectional study was conducted in eight urban slums of Vellore, southern India and primary caregivers of children				
	aged 1-5 years were interviewed with a questionnaire to obtain the				
	details of injuries sustained in the past three months.				
	Environmental hazard risk assessment was conducted at places				
	frequented by these children and their scores calculated. Baseline				
	prevalence and incidence rates of unintentional injuries were				
	estimated. Multivariate logistic regression and poisson regression				
	analysis were performed to examine factors associated with				
	unintentional injuries and repeated injuries respectively.				
	Association between environmental hazard risk and unintentional				
	injuries was estimated. RESULTS: Prevalence of unintentional injuries was 39.1% (95% CI 35.4-42.9%) and incidence rate was				
	16.5 (95% CI 14.7-18.3) per 100 child months (N = 662). Bivariate				
	analysis revealed that children of working mothers (OR 1.48;				
	1.01-2.18) and children from overcrowded families (OR 1.78;				
	1.22-2.60) had increased odds of sustaining unintentional injuries.				
	Multivariate regression analysis revealed that children from				
	overcrowded families had increased odds of sustaining				
	unintentional injuries (AOR 1.66, 95% CI 1.14-2.41). Boys (IRR				
	1.33, 95% CI 1.07-1.66) and children from overcrowded families				
	(IRR 1.50; 1.14-1.98) were at increased risk of having repeated				
	injuries. There is an increase in incidence rate of injuries with an				
	increased environmental hazard risk, although not statistically significant. CONCLUSIONS: The burden of unintentional injuries				
	was very high among study children when compared to studies in				
	other urban slums in India. Environment plays an important role in				
	the epidemiology of unintentional injuries; providing safe play				
	environment and adequate supervision of children is important to				
	reduce its burden.				
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447.	Sigamani, E., Chandramohan, J., Nair, S., Chacko, G., Thomas, M., Mathew, L. G., Pulimood, S. and Manipadam, M. T. Lymphomatoid granulomatosis: A case series from South India Indian J Pathol Microbiol; 2018, 61 (2): 228-232 Address: Department of Pathology, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Pediatric Oncology, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Dermatology, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Context: Lymphomatoid granulomatosis (LYG) is a rare B-lymphoproliferative disorder characterised by an angiocentric and angiodestructive pattern along with Epstein - Barr virus (EBV) association. It is one of the diagnostic challenges in lymphoma pathology. Deregulation of EBV immune surveillance is one of the narrated hypotheses in the literature. Extrapulmonary manifestations are rare with LYG. Morphological grading is done based on the number of EBV-positive B cells, which is useful to strategize treatment protocol. Aims: We report here a series of nine	NAT	JAN TO JUN	PATHOLOGY, PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY, DERMATOLOGY	PMID:29676363 WOS:000430851900014

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	cases of LYG to discuss the clinical, histological, and immunohistochemistry findings. Settings and Design: This is the first case series from India in published literature. Subjects and Methods: We reviewed cases of LYG diagnosed at our center for the past 11 years (2006-2016). A total of nine cases were included in this study. Histomorphology was studied in conjunction with immunohistochemistry and clinical details. Cases without classical morphology and negative for EBV immunostain were excluded from the study. Results: There were nine patients in our study (7 males and 2 female; M:F ratio 3.5:1). The age of these patients ranged from 4 years to 57 years (mean age: 30 years). The most common site involved was the lung (4, 44%), followed by the skin (2, 22%), central nervous system (2, 22%) and lymph node (1, 11%). One patient had primary immunodeficiency. Another patient had undergone renal transplant 11 years before the development of the lesion. Angiocentricity and angioinvasion were appreciated in all nine cases (9/9) with necrosis in four cases (44%) and ill-defined histiocytic aggregates in three cases (33%). The histological features were as follows: Grade 1(4 cases, 44%), Grade 2(2 cases, 22%), and Grade 3(3 cases, 33%). Conclusion: LYG is a rare EBV driven angiodestructive disease with predominantly lung involvement as well as isolated extrapulmonary sites as seen in our study. It is often progressive and ultimately fatal in the absence of appropriate treatment. Grading of the lesion helps to initiate the appropriate treatment of choice.				
448.	Silver, Z. A., Kaliappan, S. P., Samuel, P., Venugopal, S., Kang, G., Sarkar, R. and Ajjampur, S. S. R. Geographical distribution of soil transmitted helminths and the effects of community type in South Asia and South East Asia - A systematic review PLoS Negl Trop Dis; 2018, 12 (1): e0006153 Address: Division of Geographic Medicine and Infectious Diseases, Tufts University School of Medicine, Boston, MA, United States of America. Division of Gastrointestinal Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Biostatistics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. BACKGROUND: Soil-transmitted helminth (STH) infections are among the most prevalent neglected tropical diseases (NTD) worldwide. Since the publication of the WHO road map to combat NTD in 2012, there has been a renewed commitment to control STH. In this study, we analysed the geographical distribution and effect of community type on prevalence of hookworm, Trichuris and Ascaris in south Asia and south east Asia. METHODOLOGY: We conducted a systematic review of open-access literature published	INT	JAN TO JUN	GASTROINTESTINAL SCIENCES, BIOSTATISTICS	PMID:29346440 PMC ID:5773013 WOS:000424022700026 SCOPUS

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	in PubMed Central and the Global Atlas of Helminth Infection. A total of 4182 articles were available and after applying selection criteria, 174 studies from the region were retained for analysis. PRINCIPAL FINDINGS: Ascaris was the commonest STH identified with an overall prevalence of 18% (95% CI, 14-23%) followed by Trichuris (14%, 9-19%) and hookworm (12%, 9-15%). Hookworm prevalence was highest in Laos, Vietnam and Cambodia. We found a geographical overlap in countries with high prevalence rates for Trichuris and Ascaris (Malaysia, Philippines, Myanmar, Vietnam and Bangladesh). When the effect of community type was examined, prevalence rates of hookworm was comparable in rural (19%, 14-24%) and tribal communities (14%, 10-19%). Tribal communities, however, showed higher prevalence of Trichuris (38%, 18-63%) and Ascaris (32%, 23-43%) than rural communities (13%, 9-20% and 14%, 9-20% respectively). Considerable between and within country heterogeneity in the distribution of STH (12 >90%) was also noted. When available data from school aged children (SAC) were analysed, prevalence of Ascaris (25% 16-31%) and Trichuris (22%, 14-34%) were higher than among the general population while that of hookworm (10%, 7-16%) was comparable. CONCLUSIONS/SIGNIFICANCE: Our analysis showed significant variation in prevalence rates between and within countries in the region. Highlighting the importance of community type in prevalence and species mix, we showed that tribal and rural communities had higher hookworm infections than urban communities and for ascariasis and trichuriasis, tribal populations had higher levels of infection than rural populations. We also found a higher prevalence of ascariasis and trichuriasis in SAC compared to the general population but comparable levels of hookworm infections. These key findings need to be taken into account in planning future MDA and other interventions.				
449.	Simon, B., Mani, S. E., Keshava, S. N., Alexander, M. and Aaron, S. Role of Noninvasive Imaging of Cerebral Arterial System in Ischemic Stroke: Comparison of Transcranial Color-coded Doppler Sonography with Magnetic Resonance Angiography J Clin Imaging Sci; 2018, 8 19 Address: Department of Radiodiagnosis, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Neurology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Aim: To determine the accuracy of transcranial color-coded Doppler sonography (TCCS) in the evaluation of cerebral arterial system in patients with ischemic stroke attending a tertiary care hospital in South India. Objectives: (1) To describe the topographical distribution of atherosclerotic lesions in the cerebral circulation in patients presenting with ischemic stroke from the Indian	INT	JAN TO JUN	RADIODIAGNOSIS, NEUROLOGY	PMID:29770267 PMC ID:5939038

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	subcontinent and (2) to determine the accuracy of TCCS for detection and quantification of intracranial stenoses in various segments of the intracerebral arterial system in comparison with magnetic resonance angiography (MRA). Materials and Methods: The demographic profile and risk factors of consecutive patients who presented to neurology outpatient department with cerebral ischemia and scheduled for MRA were determined. These patients had undergone neck Doppler, TCCS, and MRA. The agreement between the MRA and TCCS was assessed using kappa statistics. The sensitivity, specificity, and positive and negative predictive values of TCCS as compared to MRA were calculated. Results: Ninety patients were included in the final analysis. Intracranial atherosclerosis was found in 35.6% of cases. The agreement between TCCS and MRA in detecting lesions for the different arterial segments in the intracranial circulation was 0.83 for anterior cerebral artery (ACA), 0.66 for M1 segment of middle cerebral artery (MCA), 0.45 for M2 segment of MCA, 0.86 for terminal internal carotid artery (TICA), 0.46 for posterior cerebral artery (PCA), and 0.81 for vertebral artery (VA). The sensitivity for the detection of hemodynamically significant arterial lesions in different vascular segments was 100%, 70%, 33.3%, 90.9%, 33.3%, and 72.7% for ACA, M1, M2, TICA, PCA, and VA, respectively. Conclusion: Intracranial atherosclerosis was found to be the predominant distribution of cerebral atherosclerosis. TCCS is a safe method for evaluation with relatively better sensitivity in the anterior circulation.				
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	Adv Physiol Educ; 2018, 42 (2): 256-259 Address: Department of Physiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.				
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	insight into mucosal immune response after rotavirus vaccination. Further studies are needed to evaluate the duration of such immune responses and to assess the programmatic utility of this whole blood-based mucosal ASC testing for the rotavirus immunization program.				
454.	Sivaraju, L., Moorthy, R. K., Jeyaseelan, V. and Rajshekhar, V. Routine placement of subdural drain after burr hole evacuation of chronic and subacute subdural hematoma: a contrarian evidence based approach Neurosurgical Review; 2018, 41 (1): 165-171 The objective of this paper was to evaluate whether available evidence supporting placement of subdural drain placement after evacuation of chronic subdural haematoma (CSDH) is applicable to a cohort of patients managed by us. In this observational cohort study, clinical follow-up was obtained in 166 patients who underwent burr hole evacuation of CSDH without placement of subdural drain followed by 3 days of bed rest. The primary outcome studied was recurrence requiring reoperation. Factors predicting recurrence were also analysed. We compared the patient characteristics and management protocols in our cohort with that in reports supporting drain placement to determine whether such evidence is relevant to our patient group. The mean age of our patients was 58 ± 17 years (range, 1 to 89 years). Sixteen of the 166 (9.6%) patients presented with symptomatic recurrence. The median time to reoperation for recurrence (15 of 16 patients) after the primary procedure was 17 days (range, 2 to 68 days). Antiplatelet and anticoagulant therapy was the only factor that was significantly associated with recurrence (p = 0.01). There were no infective or non-infective complications in our patient cohort. Our patient cohort and outcomes differed from those reporting drain placements in the following parameters: they were a decade younger, all patients received bed rest for 3 days after surgery and the recurrence rate was similar to that reported in the drained groups but significantly less than that reported in the non-drained groups. Routine placement of drain following burr hole evacuation of CSDH should only be done after careful comparison of the patient cohort under consideration and those reporting superior outcomes with drains. Evidence-based medicine supports such an approac	INT	JAN TO JUN	NEUROSURGERY, BIOSTATISTICS	WOS:000419166400017 SCOPUS
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	Orthopaedics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu. Rheumatoid Arthritis can present with consistent pain over peripheral joints. The manner of presentation of a subcutaneous tumour such as Myopericytoma may be very similar to that of an inflamed joint leading to the high frequency of it being overlooked and inadequately treated. Knowing the radiological and pathological differences will direct us in the right road to timely and adequate treatment.				
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	Samsung Medical Center, Sungkyunkwan University, Department of Pediatrics, Seoul, South Korea. Electronic Address: yaejeankim@skku.edu. OBJECTIVES: Bordetella pertussis continues to cause outbreaks worldwide. To assess the role of children and adolescent in transmission of pertussis in Asia, we performed a multinational serosurveillance study. METHODS: From July 2013 to June 2016, individuals aged 10 to 18 years who had not received any pertussis-containing vaccine within the prior year were recruited in 10 centres in Asia. Serum anti-pertussis toxin (PT) IgG was measured by ELISA. Demographic data and medical histories were obtained. In the absence of pertussis immunization, anti-PT IgG >/=62.5 IU/mL was interpreted as B. pertussis infection within 12 months prior, among them levels >/=125 IU/mL were further identified as infection within 6 months. RESULTS: A total of 1802 individuals were enrolled. Anti-PT IgG geometric mean concentration was 4.5, and 87 (4.8%) individuals had levels >/=62.5 IU/mL; among them, 73 (83.9%) had received three or more doses of pertussis vaccine before age 6 years. Of 30 participants with persistent cough during the past 6 months, one (3.3%) had level >/=125 IU/mL. There was no significant difference in proportions with anti-PT IgG >/=62.5 IU/mL among age groups (13-15 vs. 10-12 years, 16-18 vs. 10-12 years), between types of diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus (DTP; whole cell vs. acellular), number of doses before age 6 years within the DTP whole-cell pertussis vaccine (five vs. four doses) or acellular pertussis vaccine (five vs. four doses) or acellular pertussis vaccine (five vs. four doses) or acellular pertussis vaccine (five vs. four doses) or had adolescents, with one in 20 having serologic evidence of recent infection regardless of vaccination background.				
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	pheochromocytoma is estimated to be 6.1-16.5% of patients from published retrospective series; there are no reports from the Asian continent. A retrospective analysis of the departmental database was performed on patients who had undergone surgery for PCC/PGL from January 2004 to December 2014 at the Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, India. Among 99 patients identified during the study period, there were 14 recurrent tumours and 13 patients underwent re-operative surgery. We located eight recurrences on the right side, three on the left side and three in the midline. All 14 recurrences were functioning, and the biochemical analysis as well as imaging studies were positive in 13 of them. The mean duration to recurrence from the time of the primary surgery was 76.3 months (range 6-180 months). Of the 89 patients who underwent their first operation at our centre, 67.4% reported for follow-up for a mean period of 25 months (range 4-132 months). Four of these required re-operation with a recurrence rate of 4.5% (4/89). The open approach was used for all but one of the recurrent tumours. Recurrence following surgery for PCC/PGL is a rarely studied though significant problem. Right adrenal tumour recurrences were most common, and all these recurrences were in the retrocaval region; this typical phenomenon may be dubbed the 'right retrocaval trap'. The reason for this was presumably due to difficult access and inadequate exposure of this area in open and laparoscopic surgery, resulting in incomplete dissection.	INT			
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	obtaining informed consent. Two IgM ELISAs (MP Diagnostics HEV IgM ELISA 3.0, Singapore and Wantai HEV IgM ELISA, Beijing, China) were compared using plasma from cases and controls. In addition, an HEV antigen detection by ELISA (Wantai, Beijing, China) and a real-time PCR for quantification of HEV RNA in plasma and stool were employed. Results: Ethanol was the leading cause of acute insult in ACLF (54%) cases. HEV infection accounted for 20% of cases. Ten ACLF patients (20%) had 1-3 markers of HEV versus two (4%) among controls (P = 0.0138). Among ACLF cases, one had HEV viraemia (403 IU/ml), faecal shedding (2790 IU/ml) and detectable HEV antigenaemia. Agreement between the two anti-HEV IgM ELISAs was 0.638 (kappa value). Conclusion: This study shows that alcohol is a major contributing factor for both underlying CLD and ACLF while HEV is the most common infectious cause for ACLF, suggesting a need for a vaccination in such patients, whenever made available.				
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	an in vitro model for studying comorbidity between epilepsy and ASD may help to disentangle the intricate interactions that underlie the comorbidity between both diseases and suggests that extrasynaptic tonic GABAergic transmission could represent a potential target for ASD.				
460.	Subramanian, S., Jonathan, G. E., Patel, B. and Prabhu, K. Synovial sarcoma mimicking a thoracic dumbell schwannoma- a case report Br J Neurosurg; 2018, 1-4 Address: a Department of Neurological Sciences, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. b Department of Neuropathology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. INTRODUCTION: Synovial sarcoma is a rare mesenchymal malignant neoplasm that accounts for less than 10% of soft tissue sarcomas. About 95% of the sarcomas occur in the extremities. Primary synovial sarcomas of the spine are a rare tumor arising from the paravertebral regions, paraspinal muscles or epidural spaces. PURPOSE: To report an atypical radiological presentation of synovial sarcoma of the thoracic spine mimicking a nerve sheath tumor in an elderly adult and describe the management with review of the literature. CLINICAL PRESENTATION: A forty-six-year-old lady presented with clinical features of a thoracic intradural extramedullary cord compression at T7 level. She was Nurick grade 4 at presentation. MRI of the Thoracic spine with whole spine screening showed a contrast enhancing intradural extramedullary tumor at the T7-8 level; the tumor was exiting out through the left T7-8 neural foramina with foraminal widening. The possibility of a schwannoma was considered. INTERVENTION: She underwent a T7-8 laminectomy and total excision of the tumor followed by posterior fusion. The biopsy was reported as synovial sarcoma. She subsequently underwent radiation and chemotherapy. She had marked improvement in her Neurological status and remained disease free at six months follow-up. CONCLUSION: Synovial sarcoma of the spine is a rare mesenchymal malignant neoplasm. One needs to consider Synovial sarcoma as one of the differential diagnosis of intradural tumors of the spine.	INT	JAN TO JUN	NEUROLOGICAL SCIENCES, NEURPHATOLOGY	PMID:29446979 SCOPUS
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	Human epidermal growth factor receptor 2 (HER2)-positive is an				
	aggressive subtype of breast cancer and has historically been				
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	anti-HER2 therapies, including trastuzumab, lapatinib, pertuzumab, and trastuzumab emtansine (TDM-1), has remarkably improved the clinical outcomes in patients with HER2-positive metastatic breast cancer (mBC). However, there is a need to optimize treatment within this population, given the wide variability in clinical presentation. Additionally, geographical and socio-economic considerations too need to be taken into account. To clarify and collate evidence pertaining to HER2-positive metastatic breast cancer, a panel of medical and clinical oncologists from across India developed representative clinical scenarios commonly encountered in clinical practice in the country. This was followed by two meetings wherein each clinical scenario was discussed in detail and relevant evidence appraised. The result of this process is presented in this manuscript as evidence followed by therapeutic recommendations of this panel for management of HER2-positive mBC in the Indian population. © 2018 Indian Journal of Medical and Paediatric Oncology Published by Wolters Kluwer - Medknow.				
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	median values for bladder outlet obstruction index (BOOI) and IPSS decreased from 59 to 38 (P < 0.001) and 22 to 12 (P < 0.001), respectively. Median maximum flow rate increased from 8 to 10 ml (P = 0.05). Pretreatment BOOI of >60 was associated with poor outcomes. Conclusions: Tamsulosin 0.4 mg once a day is effective in reducing bladder outlet obstruction on pressure flow studies in patients with primary bladder neck obstruction type 1.				
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	papillary thyroid carcinoma (PTC) after total thyroidectomy. Symptoms of hypothyroidism are frequent as patients discontinue levothyroxine 1 month before visit, favoring the use of unstimulated serum Tg (uSTg) only. This study was done to determine the reliability of stimulated serum Tg levels (sSTg) over uSTg. A total of 650 patients with PTC came for follow-up between June 2011 and 2016. In those who had levels of uSTg and sSTg months measured within an interval of median of 3 months (range from 1 to 8 months), risk stratification was done as per the American Thyroid Association guidelines 2015. Intervention was based on a cutoff value of sSTg >10 ng/ml in our institution and the same was used for data analysis. Out of 650 patients, 106 had paired Tg values. Low-, intermediate-, and high-risk groups comprised 40, 31, and 35 patients, respectively. The sSTg >10 ng/ml with uSTg <10 ng/ml in the same patient was noted in 22.5% (9/40) of the low-risk, 41.9% (13/31) of the intermediate-risk, and 14.2% (5/35) of the high-risk groups. The levels were corroborated with tumor burden as determined by additional clinical, ultrasonography neck, and TWBS findings. Our study highlights the superiority of sSTg over uSTg in the follow-up of PTC patients. Follow-up with uSTg alone may result in underestimating the tumor burden.				
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	hydatid cysts and differentiating it from its mimics. The aim of this study is to assess the findings of pulmonary hydatid cysts on CT and MRI and the additional contribution of MRI in doubtful cases. Materials and Methods: This is a retrospective study of 90 patients with suspected hydatid cysts. CT and MRI findings were noted and role of MRI in diagnosing hydatid cysts and its mimics was studied. Descriptive statistics for CT findings and sensitivity and specificity of MRI were calculated using surgery or histopathology as gold standard. Results: Of the 90 patients with suspected pulmonary hydatid cysts, there were 52 true-positive and 7 false-positive cases on CT. Commonest CT finding was unilocular thick-walled cyst. In the 26 patients who had additional MRI, based on T2-weighted hypointense rim or folded membranes, accurate preoperative differentiation of 14 patients with hydatid cysts from 10 patients with alternate diagnosis was possible. There was one false-positive and one false-negative case on MRI. Conclusion: Although hydatid cyst can be diagnosed on CT on most occasions, sometimes there are challenges with certain mimics and atypical appearances. T2-weighted MRI can act as a problem solving tool to conclusively diagnose hydatid cyst or suggest an alternate diagnosis.				
467.	Thakar, S., Sivaraju, L., Jacob, K. S., Arun, A. A., Aryan, S., Mohan, D., Kiran, N. A. S. and Hegde, A. S. A points-based algorithm for prognosticating clinical outcome of Chiari malformation Type i with syringomyelia: Results from a predictive model analysis of 82 surgically managed adult patients Journal of Neurosurgery: Spine; 2018, 28 (1): 23-32 OBJECTIVE Although various predictors of postoperative outcome have been previously identifed in patients with Chiari malformation Type I (CMI) with syringomyelia, there is no known algorithm for predicting a multifactorial outcome measure in this widely studied disorder. Using one of the largest preoperative variable arrays used so far in CMI research, the authors attempted to generate a formula for predicting postoperative outcome. METHODS Data from the clinical records of 82 symptomatic adult patients with CMI and altered hindbrain CSF flow who were managed with foramen magnum decompression, C-1 laminectomy, and duraplasty over an 8-year period were collected and analyzed. Various preoperative clinical and radiological variables in the 57 patients who formed the study cohort were assessed in a bivariate analysis to determine their ability to predict clinical outcome (as measured on the Chicago Chiari Outcome Scale [CCOS]) and the resolution of syrinx at the last follow-up. The variables that were significant in the bivariate analysis were further analyzed in a multiple linear regression analysis. Different regression models were tested, and the model with the best prediction of CCOS was identifed and internally validated in a subcohort of 25 patients. RESULTS There was no	INT	JAN TO JUN	NEUROSURGERY, PSYCHIATRY	WOS:000418927300003 SCOPUS

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	correlation between CCOS score and syrinx resolution (p = 0.24) at a mean ±SD follow-up of 40.29 ±10.36 months. Multiple linear regression analysis revealed that the presence of gait instability, obex position, and the M-line-fourth ventricle vertex (FVV) distance correlated with CCOS score, while the presence of motor defcits was associated with poor syrinx resolution (p = 0.05). The algorithm generated from the regression model demonstrated good diagnostic accuracy (area under curve 0.81), with a score of more than 128 points demonstrating 100% specifcity for clinical improvement (CCOS score of 11 or greater). The model had excellent reliability (k = 0.85) and was validated with fair accuracy in the validation cohort (area under the curve 0.75). CONCLUSIONS The presence of gait imbalance and motor defcits independently predict worse clinical and radiological outcomes, respectively, after decompressive surgery for CMI with altered hindbrain CSF flow. Caudal displacement of the obex and a shorter M-line-FVV distance correlated with good CCOS scores, indicating that patients with a greater degree of hindbrain pathology respond better to surgery. The proposed points-based algorithm has good predictive value for postoperative multifactorial outcome in these patients. © AANS 2018, except where prohibited by US copyright law.				
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473.	Therakathu, J., Panwala, H. K., Bhargava, S., Eapen, A., Keshava, S. N. and David, D. Contrast-enhanced Computed Tomography Imaging of Splenic Artery Aneurysms and Pseudoaneurysms: A Single-center Experience J Clin Imaging Sci; 2018, 8 37 Address: Department of Radiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Gastroenterology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Aim: The aim of our study was to evaluate the computed tomography (CT) imaging features of splenic artery aneurysm and pseudoaneurysm and to identify the disease conditions related to the same. We also wanted to ascertain any relationship between these associated disease conditions and the imaging features of the aneurysms. Materials and Methods: This retrospective study included patients diagnosed to have splenic artery aneurysms on contrast-enhanced CT examination between January 2001 and January 2016. Data were obtained from the picture archiving and communication system. The size, number, location, morphology, the presence of thrombosis, calcification, and rupture of the aneurysms were evaluated. Results: A total of 45 patients were identified with a mean age of 45 years. Splenic artery aneurysms were idiopathic in 12 (26.6%) patients. In the remaining patients, the main associated disease conditions included pancreatitis 15 (33%), chronic liver disease with portal hypertension 8 (18%), and extrahepatic portal vein obstruction (EHPVO) 6 (13%). Statistically significant findings included the relationship between EHPVO and multiple aneurysms (P = 0.008), and smaller size of idiopathic aneurysms (P < 0.001). Conclusion: Based on this study, splenic artery aneurysms were associated with a variety of etiologies. The characteristics of the aneurysms such as size, location, and morphology vary with the associated disease conditions. These variations may have implications for the management.	INT	JAN TO JUN		PMID:30197828 PMC ID:6118105
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	describe the imaging findings in patients with rhinocerebral mucormycosis. Materials and methods: The case records of patients with biopsy/culture proven invasive rhinocerebral mucormycosis were reviewed. Computed Tomography (CT) and/or Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) images were retrieved from the Picture Archiving and Communication System (PACS) and analyzed. Statistical analysis was performed using descriptive statistics. Results: CT and MR imaging of 43 patients showed predominant involvement of the ethmoid (37, 86%) and maxillary (34, 79%) sinuses. Extension to the orbit (32, 76%) and face (24, 57%) preceded involvement of the deep skull base (5, 12%) and brain (13, 31%). CT showed minimally enhancing hypodense soft tissue thickening as the predominant finding in involved areas, while MRI showed T2 isointense to mildly hypointense soft tissue thickening and heterogeneous post contrast enhancement as the main finding. Bone erosion was seen less often (17, 40%), with rest (26, 60%) of the patients showing extrasinus extension across grossly intact appearing bones on imaging. Conclusion: CT and MRI shows a spectrum of findings in rhinocerebral mucormycosis. Imaging plays a major role in assessing the extent of involvement and complications. © 2018 Egyptian Society of Radiology and Nuclear Medicine				
475.	Thomas, B. P., Fouzia, N. A., Raveendran, S., Pallapati, S. R., Abraham, A. and Srivastava, A. Management of Hemophilic Cysts and Pseudotumors of the Hand in Bleeding Disorders: A Case Series Journal of Hand Surgery; 2018, 43 (5): 486.e1-486.e9 Purpose: Hemophilic cysts and pseudotumors (HCPTs) of the hand are rare and are secondary to bleeding disorders such as hemophilia A and B. This is a report of our experience in the management of this rare condition. Patients and Methods: Seven male patients with hemophilia A presenting with progressive swelling of the hand were treated between 2004 and 2013 at a tertiary referral hospital. All patients had clotting factor replacement based on our previously reported protocol. The age of the patients ranged from 3 to 49 years (median age, 19 years). Results: Four patients had soft tissue hemophilic cysts and 3 had bony hemophilic pseudotumors. Two patients had traumatic pseudoaneurysm of the ulnar artery in addition to the cysts. The soft tissue cysts required surgical excision in 3 patients under factor cover as per the protocol. The bony lesions were initially managed nonsurgically by factor replacement, but 2 patients failed to respond and required amputation of the fingers. The ulnar artery aneurysm was excised and artery ligated in 1 patient and the artery was vein grafted owing to poor hand perfusion in 1. Conclusions: Based on our observations in the management of HCPTs of the hand and the existing literature, we	INT	JAN TO JUN		WOS:000432437100015 SCOPUS

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	conclude that the soft tissue cysts require surgical excision along with factor replacement and distal bony lesions smaller than 3 cm respond to factor replacement. Larger bony lesions require surgical treatment. Treatment of hemophilic cysts and pseudotumors should be undertaken only in centers with a major hematology backup. Type of study/level of evidence: Therapeutic V. © 2018 American Society for Surgery of the Hand				
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	outside the target range in 10.8% (5.1% of the readings were <33°C and 5.7% were >34°C). Mean (SD) of rate of rewarming was 0.28 (0.13)°C per hour. The common adverse events were shock/hypotension (18%), coagulopathy (21.4%), sepsis/probable sepsis (20.4%) and thrombocytopenia (10.7%). Cooling was discontinued before 72 hours in 18 (17.5%) babies due to reasons such as hemodynamic instability/refractory shock, persistent pulmonary hypertension or bleeding. 7 (6.8%) babies died during hospitalization. Conclusion: Using phase changing material based cooling device and a standard protocol, it was feasible and safe to provide therapeutic hypothermia to asphyxiated neonates across different neonatal units in India. Maintenance of target temperature was comparable to standard servo-controlled equipment. © 2017, Indian Academy of Pediatrics.				
479.	Thomas, S., Acharya, M., Muthukumar, K., Chandy, A., Kamath, M. S. and Aleyamma, T. K. Effectiveness of Anti-Mullerian Hormone-tailored Protocol Compared to Conventional Protocol in Women Undergoing In vitro Fertilization: A Randomized Controlled Trial J Hum Reprod Sci; 2018, 11 (1): 24-28 Address: Department of Reproductive Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Background: Assessment of ovarian reserve before an in vitro fertilization cycle (IVF) is one among the many factors that predicts a successful cycle. Individualized protocol based on ovarian reserve is designed to optimize the pregnancy outcome without compromising the patient safety. Although authors have shown that anti-Mullerian hormone-tailored (AMH) protocols have reduced the treatment burden and improved pregnancy rates, a few others have questioned its efficacy. Aims: The aim of this study was to decide whether the AMH-tailored protocol or the conventional protocol better decides IVF outcomes. Setting and Design: Prospective randomized controlled trial conducted at a tertiary level university hospital. Materials and Methods: Patients undergoing theirfirst IVF cycle who fulfilled the inclusion criteria were recruited and randomized to each group. Serum follicle-stimulating hormone was done for the patients on day 2 or 3 of a prior menstrual cycle, and serum AMH was done in the preceding cycle. Statistical Analysis: Analysis was performed using SPSS software version 16. Results and Conclusion: There were 100 patients in each group. A total of 83 patients underwent embryo transfer in the conventional group and 78 patients in the AMH group. The clinical pregnancy rates per initiated cycle (36.4% vs. 33.3%) and per embryo transfer (45.1% vs. 41.3%) were similar in both the groups. There was no statistical difference in the number of cycles cancelled due to poor response or the risk of ovarian hyperstimulation syndrome in both the groups.	INT	JAN TO JUN		PMI D:29681712 PMC I D:5892099

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	Hence, this study showed the similar effectiveness of AMH-tailored protocol and conventional protocol in women undergoing IVF.				
480.	Thomas, S., Patel, B., Varghese, S. S. and Backianathan, S. Neurocutaneous Melanosis with Leptomeningeal Melanoma Involving Supratentorium and Infratentorium Cureus; 2018, 10 (9): e3275 Address: Radiation Oncology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, IND. Pathology, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, IND. Radiation Oncology, Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore, IND. Radiotherapy, Christian Medical College, Vellore, IND. Neurocutaneous melanoma is a rare congenital syndrome associated with congenital melanocytic nevi with meningeal melanosis or melanoma. The disease is aggressive and has a high propensity for leptomeningeal metastases. We present the case history of a man with neurocutaneous melanoma managed with radical excision followed by hypofractionated adjuvant radiotherapy. One year, eight months later, he had a recurrence of the condition with leptomeningeal spread and was managed with re-excision of the recurrent lesion. Although our patient was disease-free for 20 months after the initial surgery, he survived only approximately five months after the second surgery, which reflects the associated poor prognosis of the disease.	INT	JAN TO JUN		PMID:30443446 PMC ID:6235644
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	endometrium, with a mean age of 53 (range 31-67) who were previously inadequately staged, were found to be at risk of extrauterine disease, following histopathological review, consented to undergo completion staging over an average of 57 days (range 30-91) following the initial surgery. Forty-five percent (9/20) had a BMI of more than 30, and 40% (8/20) had metabolic syndrome. The most common indications for the initial surgery were perimenopausal abnormal uterine bleeding and postmenopausal bleeding. Only eight patients had a pre-hysterectomy endometrial sampling/biopsy (40%) of whom, one had a pre-operative diagnosis of carcinoma endometrium. Sixteen (80%) had pathological risk factors for lymph nodal involvement and in the others, besides histological grading, surgicopathological details for risk assessment were unavailable. Adnexae were retained in 11, and uterus was bisected/cored during surgery in three women. Following completion staging, 5/20 (25%) patients were upstaged, 9 (45%) required no adjuvant treatment, 5 required vaginal brachytherapy therapy alone and 5 were advised chemotherapy and radiation. Two patients during the study period of 48 months had disease recurrence, and two women died of disease progression. Complications of surgery included the following: iliac vein injury (1) and bladder injury (1). Patients with incidental diagnosis of endometrial cancer following hysterectomy after clinical and radiological assessment and histopathological review, should be offered completion staging, if at risk for extrauterine disease. Completion staging permits appropriate prognostication of disease and thereby allows tailoring of adjuvant treatment, avoiding risks of overtreatment and undertreatment.				
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	the studies was assessed according to the COSMIN checklist. Best evidence synthesis was used to summarize evidence on the measurement properties. Results: The search resulted in 3453 unique hits. Forty-two articles were included. The self-reported Haemophilia Acitivity List (HAL), Pediatric HAL (PedHAL) and the performance based Functional Independence Score in Haemophilia (FISH) were studied most extensively. Methodological quality of the studies was limited. Measurement error, cross-cultural validity and responsiveness have been insufficiently evaluated. Conclusion: Albeit based on limited evidence, the measurement properties of the PedHAL, HAL and FISH are currently considered most satisfactory. Further research needs to focus on measurement error, responsiveness, interpretability and cross-cultural validity of the self-reported tools and validity of performance based tools which are able to assess limitations in sports and leisure activities. © 2018 The Authors. Haemophilia Published by John Wiley & Sons Ltd.				
483.	Tobin, G., Chacko, A. G. and Simon, R. Evaluation of NT-ProBNP as a marker of the volume status of neurosurgical patients developing hyponatremia and natriuresis: A pilot study Neurol India; 2018, 66 (5): 1383-1388 Address: Department of Neurosurgery, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Endocrinology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Objective: Post-operative hyponatremia (serum sodium <130 mEq/L) contributes to morbidity and prolongs the hospital stay of patients undergoing neurosurgical procedures. Syndrome of inappropriate anti-diuretic hormone secretion (SIADH) and cerebral salt wasting (CSW) commonly occur in the post-operative setting. While patients with SIADH are either euvolemic or hypervolemic, patients with CSW are always hypovolemic. The treatment of these two conditions is radically different. Patients with SIADH need fluid restriction, while patients with CSW need fluid replacement. As current diagnostic methods do not clearly distinguish between SIADH and CSW, we looked at N-terminal prohormone of brain natriuretic peptide (NT-proBNP) and uric acid as biochemical markers for estimating the volume status of patients developing hyponatremia in the postoperative period. Materials and Methods: In this study, we used a cohort design and carried it out in two phases over a period of 30 months (August 2011-February 2014). Thirty-one patients with hyponatremia were recruited into the study. In Phase1, 10 patients were diagnosed to have either SIADH or CSW based on their central venous pressure (CVP). In all of them, blood for NT-proBNP was collected prior to starting	INT	JAN TO JUN		PMID:30233009 WOS:000447605100031 SCOPUS

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	treatment. At a later stage, the NT-proBNP results were compared with central venous pressure (CVP) and the clinical diagnosis. Patients diagnosed to have SIADH (CVP >5cm) had NT-proBNP levels <125pg/ml and those with a diagnosis of CSW (CVP <5cm) had NT-proBNP levels >125pg/ml. In Phase2, 21 patients were categorized and treated according to their NT-proBNP levels. Those with NT-proBNP levels <125 pg/ml were treated as SIADH, and those with NT-proBNP levels >125 pg/ml were treated as CSW. Results: In Phase 1, NT-proBNP could detect hypovolemia in patients with CSW with 100% sensitivity and 66.7% specificity (P < 0.07). In Phase 2, NT-proBNP could detect hypovolemia in patients with CSW with 90% sensitivity and 100% specificity (P < 0.001). Combining the results of Phase 1 and Phase 2, NT-proBNP could diagnose CSW with 87.50% sensitivity and 93.33% specificity (P < 0.001). The positive predictive value was 93.33% and the negative predictive value was 87.50%. Conclusion: NT Pro-BNP is a quick and convenient assay to differentiate SIADH and CSW. We need a larger sample size to correctly characterize the cut off value. Uric acid cannot be used to distinguish between SIADH and CSW.	INT			
484.	Toews, I., George, A. T., Peter, J. V., Kirubakaran, R., Fontes, L. E. S., Ezekiel, J. P. B. and Meerpohl, J. J. Interventions for preventing upper gastrointestinal bleeding in people admitted to intensive care units Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews; 2018, 2018 (6): Background: Upper gastrointestinal (GI) bleeding due to stress ulcers contributes to increased morbidity and mortality in people admitted to intensive care units (ICUs). Stress ulceration refers to GI mucosal injury related to the stress of being critically ill. ICU patients with major bleeding as a result of stress ulceration might have mortality rates approaching 48.5% to 65%. However, the incidence of stress-induced GI bleeding in ICUs has decreased, and not all critically ill patients need prophylaxis. Stress ulcer prophylaxis can result in adverse events such as ventilator-associated pneumonia; therefore, it is necessary to evaluate strategies that safely decrease the incidence of GI bleeding. Objectives: To assess the effect and risk-benefit profile of interventions for preventing upper GI bleeding in people admitted to ICUs. Search methods: We searched the following databases up to 23 August 2017, using relevant search terms: MEDLINE; Embase; the Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials; Latin American Caribbean Health Sciences Literature; and the Cochrane Upper Gastrointestinal and Pancreatic Disease Group Specialised Register, as published in the Cochrane Library (2017, Issue 8). We searched the reference lists of all included studies and those from relevant systematic reviews and meta-analyses to identify additional studies. We also searched the World Health Organization	INT	JAN TO JUN		WOS:000436781300008 SCOPUS

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	International Clinical Trials Registry Platform search portal and				
	contacted individual researchers working in this field, as well as				
	organisations and pharmaceutical companies, to identify				
	unpublished and ongoing studies. Selection criteria: We included				
	randomised controlled trials (RCTs) and quasi-RCTs with				
	participants of any age and gender admitted to ICUs for longer than				
	48 hours. We excluded studies in which participants were admitted				
	to ICUs primarily for the management of GI bleeding and studies				
	that compared different doses, routes, and regimens of one drug in				
	the same class because we were not interested in intraclass effects				
	of drugs. Data collection and analysis: We used standard				
	methodological procedures as recommended by Cochrane. Main				
	results: We identified 2292 unique records. We included 129 records				
	reporting on 121 studies, including 12 ongoing studies and two				
	studies awaiting classification. We judged the overall risk of bias of				
	two studies as low. Selection bias was the most relevant risk of bias				
	domain across the included studies, with 78 studies not clearly				
	reporting the method used for random sequence generation.				
	Reporting bias was the domain with least risk of bias, with 12				
	studies not reporting all outcomes that researchers intended to				
	investigate. Any intervention versus placebo or no prophylaxis In				
	comparison with placebo, any intervention seems to have a				
	beneficial effect on the occurrence of upper GI bleeding (risk ratio				
	(RR) 0.47, 95% confidence interval (CI) 0.39 to 0.57; moderate				
	certainty of evidence). The use of any intervention reduced the risk				
	of upper GI bleeding by 10% (95% CI -12.0% to -7%). The effect				
	estimate of any intervention versus placebo or no prophylaxis with				
	respect to the occurrence of nosocomial pneumonia, all-cause				
	mortality in the ICU, duration of ICU stay, duration of intubation (all				
	with low certainty of evidence), the number of participants requiring				
	blood transfusions (moderate certainty of evidence), and the units				
	of blood transfused was consistent with benefits and harms. None of				
	the included studies explicitly reported on serious adverse events.				
	Individual interventions versus placebo or no prophylaxis In				
	comparison with placebo or no prophylaxis, antacids, H2 receptor				
	antagonists, and sucralfate were effective in preventing upper GI				
	bleeding in ICU patients. Researchers found that with H2 receptor				
	antagonists compared with placebo or no prophylaxis, 11% less				
	developed upper GI bleeding (95% CI -0.16 to -0.06; RR 0.50, 95%				
	CI 0.36 to 0.70; 24 studies; 2149 participants; moderate certainty				
	of evidence). Of ICU patients taking antacids versus placebo or no				
	prophylaxis, 9% less eveloped upper GI bleeding (95% CI -0.17 to				
	-0.00; RR 0.49, 95% CI 0.25 to 0.99; eight studies; 774				
	participants; low certainty of evidence). Among ICU patients taking				
	sucralfate versus placebo or no prophylaxis, 5% less had upper GI				
	bleeding (95% CI -0.10 to -0.01; RR 0.53, 95% CI 0.32 to 0.88;				
	seven studies; 598 participants; moderate certainty of evidence).				

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	The remaining interventions including proton pump inhibitors did not show a significant effect in preventing upper GI bleeding in ICU patients when compared with placebo or no prophylaxis. Regarding the occurrence of nosocomial pneumonia, the effects of H2 receptor antagonists (RR 1.12, 95% CI 0.85 to 1.48; eight studies; 945 participants; low certainty of evidence) and of sucralfate (RR 1.33, 95% CI 0.86 to 2.04; four studies; 450 participants; low certainty of evidence) were consistent with benefits and harms when compared with placebo or no prophylaxis. None of the studies comparing antacids versus placebo or no prophylaxis provided data regarding nosocomial pneumonia. H2 receptor antagonists versus proton pump inhibitors H2 receptor antagonists and proton pump inhibitors are most commonly used in practice to prevent upper GI bleeding in ICU patients. Proton pump inhibitors significantly more often prevented upper GI bleeding in ICU patients compared with H2 receptor antagonists (RR 2.90, 95% CI 1.83 to 4.58; 18 studies; 1636 participants; low certainty of evidence). When taking H2 receptor antagonists, 4.8% more patients might experience upper GI bleeding (95% CI 2.1% to 9%). Nosocomial pneumonia occurred in similar proportions of participants taking H2 receptor antagonists and participants taking proton pump inhibitors (RR 1.02, 95% CI 0.77 to 1.35; 10 studies; 1256 participants; low certainty of evidence). Authors' conclusions: This review shows that antacids, sucralfate, and H2 receptor antagonists might be more effective in preventing upper GI bleeding in ICU patients compared with placebo or no prophylaxis. The effect estimates of any treatment versus no prophylaxis on nosocomial pneumonia were consistent with benefits and harms. Evidence of low certainty suggests that proton pump inhibitors need to be assessed by larger, high-quality RCTs to confirm the results of previously conducted, smaller, and older studies. © 2018 The Cochrane Collaboration.				
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	Dis Estimates of the global, regional, and national morbidity, mortality, and aetiologies of diarrhoea in 195 countries: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2016 Lancet Infectious Diseases; 2018, 18 (11): 1211-1228 Background The Global Burden of Diseases, Injuries, and Risk				
	Factors Study (GBD) 2016 provides an up-to-date analysis of the burden of diarrhoea in 195 countries. This study assesses cases, deaths, and aetiologies in 1990-2016 and assesses how the burden of diarrhoea has changed in people of all ages. Methods We modelled diarrhoea mortality with a Bayesian hierarchical modelling platform that evaluates a wide range of covariates and model types				
	on the basis of vital registration and verbal autopsy data. We modelled diarrhoea incidence with a compartmental meta-regression tool that enforces an association between incidence and prevalence, and relies on scientific literature,				

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	population representative surveys, and health-care data. Diarrhoea deaths and episodes were attributed to 13 pathogens by use of a counterfactual population attributable fraction approach. Diarrhoea risk factors are also based on counterfactual estimates of risk exposure and the association between the risk and diarrhoea. Each modelled estimate accounted for uncertainty. Findings In 2016, diarrhoea was the eighth leading cause of death among all ages (1655 944 deaths, 95% uncertainty interval [UI] 1 244 073-2 366 552) and the fifth leading cause of death among children younger than 5 years (446 000 deaths, 390 894-504 613). Rotavirus was the leading aetiology for diarrhoea mortality among children younger than 5 years (128 515 deaths, 105 138-155 133) and among all ages (228 047 deaths, 183 526-292 737). Childhood wasting (low weight-for-height score), unsafe water, and unsafe sanitation were the leading risk factors for diarrhoea, responsible for 80.4% (95% UI 68 2-85 .0), 72.1% (34 0-91. 4), and 56.4% (49 .3-62. 7) of diarrhoea deaths in children younger than 5 years, respectively. Prevention of wasting in 1762 children (95% UI 1521-2170) could avert one death from diarrhoea. Interpretation Substantial progress has been made globally in reducing the burden of diarrhoeal diseases, driven by decreases in several primary risk factors. However, this reduction has not been equal across locations, and burden among adults older than 70 years requires attention. Copyright (C) 2018 The Author(s). Published by Elsevier Ltd.				
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	replacement therapy (RRT). In order to understand the socioeconomic reasons that govern patients' preference for hemodialysis (HD), we carried out an opinion survey among prevalent in-center HD patients at our institution using a multiple response questionnaire that was verbally administered to them at the dialysis facility by the investigators. Close to 80% were self-financed and 49.5% were on twice weekly HD. Despite the majority (95%) receiving RRT education from a nephrologist, 43.4% were not aware of PD as an RRT modality. The treating nephrologist's recommendation was the most important reason given for choosing HD (77.8%) and not choosing PD (69.7%). Other reasons for not choosing PD included lack of a dedicated caregiver or "clean area" at home (15.1%), fear of infection (15.1%), disruption of work (14.1%), and the high cost of PD (7%). The perceived advantages of HD over PD were greater convenience because of need for only twice or thrice weekly sessions (61%), supervised care received in a hospital setting (28.8%), and less disruption of the patient's and family's routine (22%). We discuss the implications of these findings and what policy makers and nephrologists in India and other developing countries can do to improve PD penetration and utilization.				
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	Brazil, Indonesia, South Africa, China, and the Philippines dedicated to collaborative tuberculosis research in the context of HIV. A standardized research protocol (the Common Protocol) guides the enrollment of participants with active pulmonary tuberculosis and contacts into observational cohorts. The establishment of harmonized clinical data and bio-repositories will allow cutting-edge, large-scale advances in the understanding of tuberculosis, including identification of novel biomarkers for progression to active tuberculosis and relapse after treatment. The RePORT International infrastructure aims to support research capacity development through enabling globally-diverse collaborations. To that end, representatives from the RePORT International network sites, funding agencies, and other stakeholders gathered together in Brazil in September 2017 to present updates on relevant research findings and discuss ideas for collaboration. Presenters emphasized research involving biomarker identification for incipient tuberculosis, host immunity and pharmacogenomics, co-morbidities such as HIV and type 2 diabetes mellitus, and tuberculosis transmission in vulnerable and high-risk populations. Currently, 962 active TB participants and 670 household contacts have contributed blood, sputum, urine and microbes to in-country biorepositories. Cross-consortium collaborations have begun sharing data and specimens to analyze molecular and cytokine predictive patterns. © 2018				
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	presence of acute renal failure were associated with poor outcome. Imaging parameters associated with poor outcome were involvement of the thalami and cerebellar peduncles and the presence of diffusion restriction and hemorrhagic foci in the brain parenchyma. CONCLUSIONS: Although not specific, dengue infection has imaging findings that can be used to narrow down the differential list and help in prognostication. © 2018 American Society of Neuroradiology. All rights reserved.				
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	and 1.32% were in Group C (p=.16). CONCLUSIONS: The initiation of metformin within the first trimester of pregnancy has no significant adverse maternal or fetal outcomes. However, vigilance for premature births is recommended in women exposed to metformin in early pregnancy.				
492.	Varghese, A. P., Prasad, J. and Jacob, K. S. Mild cognitive impairment and dementia in older patients attending a general hospital in south India: DSM-5 standards and correlates Int Psychogeriatr; 2018, 1-6 Address: Department of Psychiatry, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Community Health, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. ABSTRACTBackground and Aims: The changes in DSM-5 diagnostic criteria for dementia (Major neurocognitive disorder (NCD)) and mild cognitive impairment (mild NCD) mandate a re-evaluation of screening instruments. This study attempted to validate screening instruments, identify optimum threshold, and describe their indices of efficacy. METHOD: Consecutive people above the age of 65 years attending the outpatient department of a general hospital were recruited. They were assessed using the Mini-Mental State Examination and the Vellore Screening Instruments for Dementia and were evaluated against the DSM-5 standard. Bivariate and multivariate statistics were obtained. Receiver-operating-characteristic curves were drawn, optimum thresholds obtained, sensitivity, specificity, and predictive values calculated. RESULTS: One hundred and thirty four older people were recruited. The majority were women, married, with low levels of education, not employed, living with family, and had medical co-morbidity. A minority satisfied DSM-5 criteria for major (1.5%) and mild NCD (36.5%). The factors associated with NCD were older age, fewer years of education, and lower socio-economic status. MMSE, VSID patient, and VSID informant scores were significantly associated with NCD. The indices of efficacy for the MMSE and VSID patient version were modest for identifying Mild NCD. However, their performance in identifying major NCD was better. Nevertheless, optimal thresholds for recognition differed markedly from their originally recommended cut-offs. CONCLUSIONS: The DSM-5 standards, with new and different cognitive domains, mandate a revaluation and recalibr	INT	JAN TO JUN		PMID:29798738 SCOPUS
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	angioplasty procedure performed using a flat detector for different clinical angiographic projections J Radiol Prot; 2018, 38 (2): 511-524 Address: Department of Radiology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore 632004, Tamil Nadu, South India. The radiation dose from complex cardiac procedures is of concern due to the lengthy fluoroscopic screening time and vessel complexities. This study intends to assess radiation dose based on angiographic projection and vessel complexities for clinical protocols used in the performance of percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty (PTCA). Dose-area product (DAP), reference air kerma (K a,r) and real-time monitoring of tube potentials and tube current for each angiographic projection and dose setting were evaluated for 66 patients who underwent PTCA using a flat detector system. The mean DAP and cumulative K a,r were 32.71 Gy cm(2) (0.57 Gy), 51.24 Gy cm(2) (0.9 Gy) and 102.03 Gy cm(2) (1.77 Gy) for single-, double- and triple-vessel PTCA, respectively. Among commonly used angiographic projections, left anterior oblique 45 degrees -caudal 35 degrees reached 2 Gy in 55 min using a low-dose fluoroscopy setting and 21 min for a medium-dose setting. Use of a low-dose setting for fluoroscopic screening showed a radiation dose reduction of 39% compared with a medium-dose setting.				
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	the clinical implications Int J Infect Dis; 2018, 71 53-55 Address: Department of Infectious Diseases, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632004, Tamil Nadu, India. Electronic Address: georgemvarghese@hotmail.com. Department of Infectious Diseases, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632004, Tamil Nadu, India. OBJECTIVES: The serological detection of IgM antibodies is the most widely used test to diagnose scrub typhus infection. However, the kinetics of IgM and IgG antibodies post-infection remain elusive, which could contribute to false positivity. The objective of this study was to document the nature of the evolution of these antibody titres after infection. METHODS: Adult patients previously confirmed to have scrub typhus by IgM ELISA, positive PCR, or both, were included in this cross-sectional study. The levels of IgM and IgG antibodies in serum samples were tested using an ELISA and the distribution curve was plotted. RESULTS: Two hundred and three patients were included in this study. Post-infection serum sampling was done between 1 month and 46 months after documented infection. IgM levels declined gradually but remained elevated above the diagnostic cut-off for up to 12 months post-infection. However, IgG levels continued to rise reaching a peak at 10 months, followed by a gradual decline over several months. In the majority of cases, the IgG levels remained above the cut-off threshold for more than 36 months. CONCLUSIONS: Clinicians need to be cautious in using a single serum sample for the detection of IgM to diagnose scrub typhus, as it remains elevated for up to 12 months after the infection, whereas the serum IgG level could be used as an indicator of past infection.				SCOPUS
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	the commonest infection, with the most common organisms isolated being Group F ss-haemolytic (15%) and non-haemolytic (12.5%) streptococcus. All streptococci and anaerobic gram-positive cocci were susceptible to penicillin. S. aureus isolates were oxacillin-sensitive and enterococcus isolates were ampicillin-sensitive. All 42 patients received empirical therapy with either intravenous penicillin or its derivatives. In only three patients was a change of antibiotic required based on culture and sensitivity results. Early generation antibiotics appear ideal as empirical therapy for deep head and neck infection.				
497.	Varghese, S. S., Goudar, G., Abraham, S., Peace, T., Singh, R. R. and Backianathan, S. A dosimetric comparison of linac-based stereotactic fractionated radiotherapy techniques for pituitary adenoma and craniopharyngioma Journal of Radiotherapy in Practice; 2018, 17 (3): 313-318 Address: Christian Medical College and Hospital Vellore, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, 632004, India Aim To compare the dosimetric outcomes of linear accelerator-based stereotactic radiotherapy (SRT) techniques - static conformal field (SCF), static conformal arc (SCA) and dynamic conformal arc (DCA), for treating pituitary adenoma and craniopharyngioma. Materials and methods Computer image sets of 20 patients with pituitary adenoma or craniopharyngioma and treated with post-operative SRT were selected for this study. For each dataset, three SRT plans, with SCF, SCA and DCA techniques were generated using Brain LAB, iPlan RT V.4.5.3, TPS software. The conformity index (CI), homogeneity index (HI), quality of coverage of the target, dose-volume histograms for the target and organs at risk (OARs) and the time taken to deliver treatment was compared across three sets of plan. Results There were 12 patients with pituitary adenoma and eight with craniopharyngioma. The CI and HI were comparable across three techniques. The quality of coverage was superior in DCA technique. OARs were better spared in SCF and DCA techniques. Time taken to deliver treatment was least in SCF technique. Conclusions The linac-based SRT techniques SCF, SCA and DCA are efficient in delivering highly conformal and homogenous dose to the target in pituitary adenoma and craniopharyngioma. Among these three techniques, SCF and DCA had acceptable quality of coverage. The dose received by OARs was least in the SCF technique. © Cambridge University Press 2018.	INT	JAN TO JUN	RADIOTHERAPY	SCOPUS
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	Madras, Chennai, India. Spinal Disorder Surgery Unit, Department of Orthopedics, Christian Medical College, Vellore, India. Department of Engineering Design, Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai, India. STUDY DESIGN: A biomechanical study. PURPOSE: A new biomechanical model of the vertebra has been developed that accounts for the inhomogeneity of bone and the contribution of the pedicle toward the holding strength of a pedicle screw. OVERVIEW OF LITERATURE: Pullout strength studies are typically carried out on rigid polyurethane foams that represent the homogeneous vertebral framework of the spine. However, the contribution of the pedicle region, which contributes to the inhomogeneity in this framework, has not been considered in previous investigations. Therefore, we propose a new biomechanical model that can account for the vertebral inhomogeneity, especially the contribution of the pedicles toward the pullout strength of the pedicle screw. METHODS: A bilayer foam model was developed by joining two foams representing the pedicle and the vertebra. The results of the pullout strength tests performed on the foam models were compared with those from the tests performed on the cadaver lumbar vertebra. RESULTS: Significant differences (p <0.05) were observed between the pullout strength of the pedicle screw in extremely osteoporotic (0.18+/-0.11 kN), osteoporotic (0.37+/-0.14 kN), and normal (0.97+/-0.14 kN), advaver vertebra. In the monolayer model, significant differences (p <0.05) were observed in pullout strength between extremely osteoporotic (0.39+/-0.08 kN), bone model. However, the bilayer foam model exhibited no significant differences (p >0.05) in the pullout strength of pedicle screws between osteoporotic (0.85+/-0.08 kN), and normal (0.99+/-0.08 kN) and normal bone models (1.19+/-0.05 kN). There were no significant differences (p >0.05) in pullout strength between cadaver and bilayer foam model in normal bones. CONCLUSIONS: The new synthetic bone model that reflects the contribution of the ped				
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	INTRODUCTION: South Asians have high rates of cardiovascular				
	disease (CVD) and its risk factors (hypertension, diabetes,				
	dyslipidaemia and central obesity). Left ventricular (LV)				
	hypertrophy and dysfunction are features of these disorders and				
	important predictors of CVD mortality. Lower birth and infant weight				
	and greater childhood weight gain are associated with increased				
	adult CVD mortality, but there are few data on their relationship to				
	LV function. The IndEcho study will examine associations of birth				
	size, growth during infancy, childhood and adolescence and CVD				
	risk factors in young adulthood with midlife cardiac structure and				
	function in South Asian Indians. METHODS AND ANALYSIS: We				
	propose to study approximately 3000 men and women aged 43-50				
	years from two birth cohorts established in 1969-1973: the New				
	Delhi Birth Cohort (n=1508) and Vellore Birth Cohort (n=2156).				
	They had serial measurements of weight and height from birth to				
	early adulthood. CVD risk markers (body composition, blood				
	pressure, glucose tolerance and lipids) and lifestyle characteristics				
	(tobacco and alcohol consumption, physical activity, socioeconomic				
	status) were assessed at age ~30 years. Clinical measurements in				
	IndEcho will include anthropometry, blood pressure, biochemistry				
	(glucose, fasting insulin and lipids, urinary albumin/creatinine ratio)				
	and body composition by dual energy X-ray absorptiometry and				
	bioelectrical impedance. Outcomes are LV mass and indices of LV				
	systolic and diastolic function assessed by two-dimensional and				
	Doppler echocardiography, carotid intimal-media thickness and				
	ECG indicators of ischaemia. Regression and conditional growth				
	models, adjusted for potential confounders, will be used to study				

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	associations of childhood and young adult exposures with these cardiovascular outcomes. ETHICS AND DISSEMINATION: The study has been approved by the Health Ministry Steering Committee, Government of India and institutional ethics committees of participating centres in India and the University of Southampton, UK. Results will be disseminated through scientific meetings and peer-reviewed journals. TRIAL REGISTRATION NUMBER: ISRCTN13432279; Pre-results.				
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	Background: The emergence of antibiotic resistance among				
	bacterial pathogens in the hospital and community has increased				
	the concern to the health-care providers due to the limited				
	treatment options. Surveillance of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) in				
	frequently isolated bacterial pathogens causing severe infections is				
	of great importance. The data generated will be useful for the				
	clinicians to decide empiric therapy on the local epidemiological				
	resistance profile of the antimicrobial agents. This study aims to				
	monitor the distribution of bacterial pathogen and their				
	susceptibility pattern to the commonly used antimicrobial agents.				
	Materials and Methods: This study includes Gram-negative bacilli collected from intra-abdominal, urinary tract and respiratory tract				
	infections during 2014-2016. Isolates were collected from seven				
	hospitals across India. All the study isolates were characterised up				
	to species level, and minimum inhibitory concentration was				
	determined for a wide range of antimicrobials included in the study				
	panel. The test results were interpreted as per standard Clinical				
	Laboratory Standards Institute guidelines. Results: A total of 2731				
	isolates of gram-negative bacteria were tested during study period.				
	The most frequently isolated pathogens were 44% of Escherichia				
	coli (n = 1205) followed by 25% of Klebsiella pneumoniae (n = 676)				
	and 11% of Pseudomonas aeruginosa (n = 308). Among the				
	antimicrobials tested, carbapenems were the most active, followed				
	by amikacin and piperacillin/tazobactam. The rate of				
	extended-spectrum beta-lactamase (ESBL)-positive isolates were				
	ranged from 66%-77% in E. coli to 61%-72% in K. pneumoniae,				
	respectively. Overall, colistin retains its activity in > 90% of the				
	isolates tested and appear promising. Conclusion: Increasing rates				
	of ESBL producers have been noted, which is alarming. Further,				
	carbapenem resistance was also gradually increasing, which needs				

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	much attention. Overall, this study data show that carbapenems, amikacin and colistin continue to be the best agents available to treat drug-resistant infections. Thus continuous monitoring of susceptibility profile of the clinically important Gram-negative pathogens is of great importance to guide effective antimicrobial therapy.				
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	Address: Department of Clinical Microbiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632004, Tamil Nadu, India. Department of Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore 632004, Tamil Nadu, India. Multidrug-resistant Salmonella enterica subsp. enterica serovar Typhi (resistant to ampicillin, chloramphenicol and cotrimoxazole), was significantly reduced with the increased usage of fluoroquinolones and azithromycin. This has led to declining multidrug resistance rates in India with increasing ciprofloxacin nonsusceptibility rates and clinical failures due to azithromycin. However, for the available agents such as ceftriaxone, azithromycin and fluoroquinolones, the dose and duration for treatment is undefined. The ongoing clinical trials for typhoid management are expected to recommend the defined dose and duration for better clinical outcome. We made an attempt to summarize the issues in laboratory detection, treatment options and responses, and the concerns in clinical practice seen in the developing countries.			MEDICINE	
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	To overcome these enzymes, beta-lactamase inhibitors are being discovered. The aim of this document is to address the burden of AMR in India and interventions to fight against this battle. This document addresses and summarises the following: The current scenario of AMR in India (antimicrobial susceptibility, resistance mechanisms and molecular epidemiology of common pathogens); contentious issues in the use of beta-lactam/beta-lactamase inhibitor as an carbapenem sparing agent; role of newer beta-lactam/beta-lactamase inhibitor agents with its appropriateness to Indian scenario and; the Indian Council of Medical Research interventions to combat drug resistance in terms of surveillance and infection control as a national response to AMR. This document evidences the need for improved national surveillance system and country-specific newer agents to fight against the AMR.				
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	reported case of a young lady presenting with a slow growing tumour arising in the gingivo-buccal sulcus that was reported as Synovial sarcoma on biopsy and subsequently confirmed using molecular studies, tumour demonstrating SS18-SSX2 fusion transcript. Review of the published literature revealed no documented case with molecular fusion transcript making this case the first reported case. This case also highlights the imperative role of immunohistochemistry in tandem with molecular studies to confirm the diagnosis of spindle cell tumours of oral cavity, since squamous cell carcinoma, by far remains the commonest malignancy arising in mucosa lined oral cavity.				
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	search was performed on PubMed and Google Scholar using relevant terms such as chondrocytes, chondroprogenitors, and surface marker expression. Results and Conclusion: Our comparative analysis shows that there is an ill-defined distinction between CPCs and chondrocytes with respect to their cell surface expression (MSC markers and CPC-specific markers) and differentiation potential. Accumulating evidence indicates that the 2 subpopulations may be distinguished based on their growth kinetics and chondrogenic marker. © 2017, © The Author(s) 2017.				
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	Darussalam, Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam. Department of Radiation Oncology, Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. The delivery consistency of a Varian Edge linear accelerator over the entire course of treatment for nasopharynx carcinoma (NPC) and prostate cancer intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT) and volumetric-modulated arc therapy (VMAT) treatment plans was investigated using four different approaches. Three NPCs and three prostate plans were delivered in 34 and 29 consecutive days, respectively, using a Varian Edge equipped with a 120 high-definition (HD) multileaf collimator (MLC). All deliveries were measured with an electronic portal imaging device (EPID), and MapCheck2 and ArcCheck commercial systems with gamma analysis used to compare the results of all daily measurements against the pretreatment patient-specific quality assurance. The daily log files generated were also assessed for differences between the actual and planned doses using an in-house program to replace the original values in the DICOM plan files with the delivered parameter values from the log file, and then exporting the plans back to the treatment planning system for reconstruction of the actual dose delivered. The trajectory log file and EPID methods showed very good agreement, with minimal deviations between the daily delivered and reference doses. However, comparisons of the MapCheck2 and ArcCheck with the EPID revealed statistically significant differences (P < 0.001, one-tailed) with greater daily fluctuations, raising concerns over the performance, and reliability of the MapCheck2 and ArcCheck systems when being used to identify IMRT and VMAT plans with poor dosimetric accuracy. We conclude that the Varian Edge linear accelerator equipped with a 120 HD MLC can consistently deliver IMRT and VMAT plans over the entire treatment course.	1101			
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	radiation therapy (IMRT) and volumetrically modulated arc therapy (VMAT) quality assurance (QA) for the detection of systematic multileaf collimator (MLC) errors using an electronic portal imaging device (EPID) and planar (MapCheck2) and cylindrical (ArcCheck) diode arrays. We also evaluated whether the correlation between the gamma passing rate (%GP) and the percentage dose error (%DE) of the dose-volume histogram (DVH) metrics was affected by the finite spatial resolution of the array detectors. We deliberately simulated systematic MLC errors of 0.25 mm, 0.50 mm, 0.75 mm, and 1 mm in five clinical nasopharyngeal carcinoma cases, thus creating 40 plans with systematic MLC errors. All measurements were analyzed field by field using gamma criteria of 3%/3 mm, 3%/2 mm, 3%/1 mm, and 2%/2 mm, with a passing rate of 90% applied as the action level. Our results showed that 3%/1 mm is the most sensitive criterion for the detection of systematic MLC errors when using EPID, with the steepest slope from the best-fit line and an area under the receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve >0.95. With respect to the 3%/1 mm criterion, a strong correlation between %GP and %DE of the DVH metrics was observed only when using the EPID. However, with respect to the same criteria, a 0.75 mm systematic MLC error can go undetected when using MapCheck2 and ArcCheck, with an area under the ROC curve <0.75. Furthermore, a lack of correlation between %GP and %DE of the DVH metrics was observed in MapCheck2 and ArcCheck. In conclusion, low-spatial resolution detectors can affect the results of a per-field gamma analysis and render the analysis unable to accurately separate erroneous and non-erroneous plans. Meeting these new sensitive criteria is expected to ensure clinically acceptable dose errors.				
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	urine sulfite excretion were observed. A novel homozygous mutation was detected in exon 4 of molybdenum cofactor synthesis 2 (MOCS2) gene. Early infantile or neonatal onset seizures, developmental delay, microcephaly and cystic encephalomalacia in neuroimaging mimicking hypoxic-ischaemic encephalopathy should raise the suspect for molybdenum cofactor deficiency. Screening of all neonates for urinary sulfite metabolites would help in early diagnosis and management. Early diagnosis and treatment with cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate could arrest the progression of molybdenum cofactor deficiency type A. More research is needed to explore further treatment options in this otherwise lethal disorder. © 2018, Iranian Child Neurology Society. All rights reserved.				
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