

Liv.52 Improves thioacetazone tolerance

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PREVIEW

Among the cases of pulmonary tuberculosis treated in this sanatorium with I.N.H. and Thioacetazone, about 25% of such cases showed signs of gastric upset like vomiting, nausea, dyspepsia, etc. On clinical examination it was found to be due to intolerance to thioacetazone and as such they were treated with promethazine group of drugs. Only a few patients showed improvement. Considering that this may be due to a mild suppression of liver functions caused by the thioacetazone, these patients were put on Liv.52 along with thioacetazone. The patients showed remarkable improvement. The supportive therapy to prevent liver damage with Liv.52 was continued as long as 1 to 2 months till the patients tolerated thioacetazone well. It is my personal opinion that T.B. patients with malnutrition who cannot tolerate well thioacetazone should be put on such a drug that will prevent liver damage, such as Liv.52.