

ACUTE SECONDARY VIRAL ENCEPHALITIS

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During 1.01.1990-1.04.1995, from the total of 59 encephalitis diagnosed, diagnosticated in the Clinic of Infectious and Tropical Diseases

"Dr. Victor Babeş" - Bucharest, 21 were viral encephalitis secondary of some viral infectious diseases of children, distributed as followings: 4 cases post measles; 9 cases post varicella; 7 cases post mumps; 1 case post rubella. From the 21 patients, 20 were children between 1 and 16 years old and 1 patient was a woman 33 years old with varicella encephalitis. The syndroms seen during the clinical manifestations were, in decreased order, the followings: febril syndrom, cerebelous syndrom, extrapiramidal syndrom, meningeal syndrom, cortical suffering syndrom. The anactive coma was presented in 4 children cases, the duration of coma being between 24 hours and 11 days. Two children died: 1 child, 1,6 years old, with post measles encephalitis, unvaccinated for measles and 1 child 1,4 years old, with varicella encephalitis appeared during a cronic encephalopaty with spastic diplegia. To the pathogenic and symptomatic treatment was added the treatment with acyclovir in 5 cases of varicella encephalitis. We noted an important decrease of measles encephalitis probably after the diminuation of measles infection after the immunisation programe.