

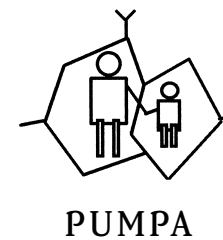
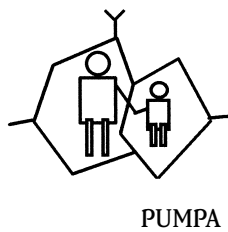
ADULT GOUT AND RENAL DISEASE

RECENT ADVANCES IN DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT

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Introduction

The objective of this booklet is to provide patients, parents and professionals with the most recent advances in the treatment of gout in adults with renal disease, in a simple and understandable fashion - its clinical presentation, biochemistry and progression, and particularly what treatments are now available. To this end we have drawn on the experience of those involved at every level.

Clinically, gout in adults is a well recognised disorder - known since ancient times - but early recognition of any underlying renal disease, which can sometimes occur, is extremely important. Moreover, despite its long history, not so well known are the recent advances in diagnosis, and especially treatment, of gout in adults, plus the fact that gout can sometimes be a disease of women.

The booklet forms part of the series aimed at covering signs, symptoms and treatments for disorders under the PUMPA umbrella. As with the first publication on Lesch-Nyhan Disease (LND), and the others which followed - dealing with Familial juvenile gout (FJHN), Adenine phosphoribosyltransferase (APRT) deficiency and Xanthine dehydrogenase (XOD) deficiency - Adult gout and renal disease was the subject of the most recent PUMPA Seminar - held this year at St Thomas' Hospital, London.

It summarises the experience of patients, families, their doctors and other investigators involved, given in lectures this year at the annual PUMPA Seminar. In particular it reports recent advances in recognition and treatment of gout in adults with renal disease. Unlike the other disorders that have been the subject of previous seminars, this disorder has been well known since ancient times.

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