

SOME IMMUNOLOGICAL CRITERIA OF PROTRACTED COURSE OF PNEUMONIA

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Summary

The levels of Ig A, M, and G were determined before and after the treatment in 108 patients (protracted course — in 67 patients; both lungs involvement — in 31, one lung involvement — in 77 patients). The changes between different types of immunoglobulins were more significant in patients with delayed resolution of the inflammatory infiltrates in the lungs. There was a distinct correlation between protracted course of pneumonia and Ig A, M, and G deficiencies. The changes of the Ig levels may serve as a criterion for prediction of the disease course and outcome.