

AGE PECULIARITIES OF THE NEWLY DETECTED RESPIRATORY TRACT TUBERCULOSIS IN CHILDREN

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Summary

The age peculiarities of newly detected respiratory tract tuberculosis (TB) have been determined in 55 children: 66,7 % cases — TB of intrathoracic lymphatic nodes in up to 12 years old children; 73,9 % cases — nodular or disseminated TB in 13 years old and above children. Only one third of patients have been detected actively (medical prophylactic examination at schools and tuberculin diagnostics), although nearly 75 % of examined children were tuberculin-positive (Mantoux trial with 2 IU of PPD-L) and 21,0 % — reactive (hyperergic). The parents of 6–12 years old children did not notice the loss of weight in their children. As a result in 63,6 % of cases TB was detected lately. It is recommended to increase a physical development monitoring of children at school, implementing individual follow-up, evaluation of complaints and strict registration of data in medical records.