

## Snippets

### **Snippets from the world wide web**

*Sri Lanka Journal of Child Health*, 2002; **31**: 122-3

#### ***Vaccines Benefit Mainly Wealthy Countries-UN Report***

Vaccinations have prevented millions of deaths around the world but children in wealthy nations are getting the lion's share of the shots -and the benefits, the United Nations said on Wednesday.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/flo?y=eZlp0EIZ1O0DzQ0FRhx0An>

#### ***Eczema Herpeticum: A Dermatologic Emergency***

Eczema herpeticum, initially described by Kaposi in 1887, is a potentially life-threatening herpetic super-infection of a pre-existing skin disease.

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#### ***Maternal PCB Exposure May Affect Children's IQ and Behavior***

Children born to women exposed to high levels of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) appear to have slightly lower IQs and more behavioural problems than children whose mothers were not exposed to the pollutant, new findings suggest.

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#### ***Growth Hormone Impaired in Girls With Turner Syndrome***

Results of a study published in the November issue of *Pediatrics* suggest that girls with Turner syndrome (TS) have impaired growth hormone (GH) secretion and action. While treatment with GH results in favourable changes in body composition in these patients, it is associated with relative impairment of glucose tolerance and insulin sensitivity.

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#### ***Children Conceived by Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection Develop Normally***

Children born after intracytoplasmic sperm injection (ICSI) are as physically and mentally healthy as children conceived naturally, a study of 5-year-olds shows.

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#### ***Addition of Salmeterol Lowers Steroid Requirements in Asthma Patients***

Adding salmeterol to fluticasone allows the use of a lower dose of inhaled steroid by asthma patients, suggest findings from a trial presented here yesterday.

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#### ***Insulin Pump Therapy Is Effective in Type 1 Diabetic Children***

Insulin pump therapy is an effective alternative for type 1 diabetic children, according to a report in the October issue of *The Journal of Pediatrics*.

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#### ***Nasal Steroids Do Not Slow Growth in Children***

Children do not show decelerated growth with use of nasal steroids for allergic rhinitis, suggest findings from a year-long trial presented here this week at the meeting of the American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology.

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***Renal Screening Can Be Deferred in Children With Tuberous Sclerosis***

Children with tuberous sclerosis complex need not be screened for angiomyolipomas and renal cysts until they are about 10 years old, researchers report in the November issue of Radiology.

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***Intellectual Development in Children Not Impaired by Migraine***

The risk of cognitive impairment is not heightened in children who have migraine, pediatricians in Germany suggest.

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***Patients With Obstructive Sleep Apnoea Have Less Grey Matter***

Apnoea may cause gray matter loss, contributing to cognitive symptoms; conversely, brain dysfunction may help cause the sleep apnoea syndrome.

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***Association Between Honey Consumption and Infant Botulism***

Honey should not be given to infants younger than 12 months old.

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