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Snippets from the world wide web

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Growth Hormone Increases Height of Children With Idiopathic Short Stature

Peripubertal children with idiopathic short stature treated with growth hormone have an increased height at adulthood, the results of a randomized trial reveal.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eirX0EIZ1O0DzQ0GAAM0Ah>

Preschool Attendance Lowers Risk of Young Adult Hodgkin's Lymphoma

Preschool attendance appears to lower the risk of Hodgkin's lymphoma in young adults, according to a report in the August issue of *Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers and Prevention*.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eirX0EIZ1O0DzQ0GAAX0As>

Inadequate Iodine Intake Linked to Low Intelligence Quotient

Investigators in this cross-sectional survey suggest that a urinary output of more than 150 mcg/liter vs lower output may be associated with higher IQ.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eilk0EIZ1O0DzQ0F75A0AL>

Low Cholesterol Linked With Suicidality in Anorexia Nervosa

Low cholesterol levels may be associated with suicidality in patients with anorexia nervosa, according to results of a study published in the July/August issue of *Psychosomatic Medicine*.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eilk0EIZ1O0DzQ0F8bl0Ao>

Short-Course Levofloxacin as Effective as Standard Treatment for Uncomplicated Cellulitis

In a double-blind, randomized trial, 5 days were as good as 10 days of treatment for uncomplicated cellulitis.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eilk0EIZ1O0DzQ0F8IY0A5>

Adverse Outcomes in Extremely Low Birthweight Infants May Be Overestimated

Neurodevelopmental outcome studies based on extremely low birthweight infants who return for follow-up care may overestimate adverse outcomes, according to a report in the August issue of *Pediatrics*.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eilk0EIZ1O0DzQ0F8aw0Ay>

Slight Delay of Delivery May Benefit Infants Who Fail to Thrive in Utero

A European study has shown a possible advantage in slightly delaying delivery of preterm infants who fail to thrive in utero.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eilk0EIZ1O0DzQ0F7xZ0Ar>

Inhaled Steroids Do Not Appear to Raise Fracture Risk in Youngsters

The use of inhaled corticosteroids, standard treatment for asthma, is not associated with a significantly increased risk of fracture in children and adolescents, researchers report in the August issue of *Pediatrics*.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eiex0EIZ1O0DzQ0F7fi0Au>

News CME – Simple Screening Test Allows Early Detection of Autism

CHAT-23 is a two-part screening instrument tested in Chinese children aged 18 to 24 months.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eiex0EIZ1O0DzQ0F7kb0As>

Estrogen Gel Induces Puberty in Turner Syndrome

Finnish investigators found that percutaneous estradiol gel provides slow, progressive pubertal development equal to natural puberty in hypogonadal girls with Turner syndrome.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eiex0EIZ1O0DzQ0F7r70AI>

Influenza in Early Pregnancy Linked to Schizophrenia

Investigators in a nested case-control study suggest that an antibody response, rather than infection, may explain this association.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eiex0EIZ1O0DzQ0F7TK0A7>

Ventricular Hypertrophy Appears Early in Type 1 Diabetes

Children and adolescents with type 1 diabetes, particularly girls, have early echocardiographic signs of subclinical cardiac dysfunction, a research team in Belgium has found.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eiex0EIZ1O0DzQ0F7r30AE>

Long-term Results Good After Ventricular Septal Defect Closure

Long-term survival and clinical outcomes are good after VSD closure in childhood, according to a report in the June issue of the European Heart Journal.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eiex0EIZ1O0DzQ0F7rS0Ak>

Abnormal Movements May Identify Infants With Asperger's Syndrome

Infantile reflexes that persist too long are associated with abnormal movement patterns in children with Asperger's syndrome or autism, a research team at the University of Florida in Gainesville reports.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/eiZA0EIZ1O0DzQ0F7N10AT>

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