

## *Library Corner – October 2004*

Pickings from a few of the journals that have crossed my desk this last month plus contributions from Graham Hall and Andrew Coates:

For those with an interest in lung transplantation there is a Monograph from **ERS** that would make interesting browsing.

Surgery for Non-Neoplastic Disorders of the Chest: a Clinical Update.  
Volume **9**, Monograph 29, September 2004.

### ***European Respiratory Journal 24(3), 2004***

For exercise aficionados

Exercise-induced flow limitation, dynamic hyperinflation and exercise capacity in patients with bronchial asthma.  
EN Kosmas *et al* pp385-390.

Prediction equations are presented for the elderly age group not well served by the most commonly used sets:

Spirometric reference equations for European females and males aged 65-85.  
F Garcio-Rio *et al*. pp397-405.

There is also an editorial by Bob Crapo regarding this paper

The role of reference values in interpreting lung function tests *ibid* 341.

For sleepers

- Home respiratory polygraphy for diagnosis of sleep-disordered breathing in heart failure.  
E Quintana-Gallego *et al*. pp443-448.
- Can psychological factors help us to determine adherence to CPAP? A prospective study. MR Wild *et al* pp461-465.

### ***Thorax 59(9), 2004***

The death of Moran Campbell was reported recently. There is a tribute to him and his contributions to science in September's *Thorax* that is well worth reading. Many issues spoken of by Campbell many years ago are very valid for us today.

Moran Campbell and Clinical Science.  
GJ Gibson, pp737-740.

The same issue of *Thorax* has a couple of reviews that might be of interest:

- Respiratory muscle fibres: specialisation and plasticity.  
B Polla *et al* pp808-817
- Sleep – 5: Driving and automobile crashes in patients with obstructive sleep apnoea/hypopnoea syndrome.  
CFP George, pp804-807.

***British Journal of Clinical Pharmacology 58(2), 2004.***

Read how the sensitivity of different measurements of lung function bronchodilator responsiveness varies with dose and severity of asthma.

A comparison of lung function methods for assessing dose-response effects of salbutamol.

Houghton, C. M., A. A. Woodcock, and D. Singh. pp134-41.

And a comment on this article in this month's **Thorax**

Sensitivity of pulmonary function tests in assessing whether bronchodilatation is different in healthy subjects and asthmatics.

Menon, M. 2004 *Thorax* **59**(10): 875

And two older papers about upper airway abnormalities

Spirometric and plethysmographic assessment of upper airway obstruction in laryngeal hemiplegia.

Cantarella, G., V. Fasano, E. Bucchioni, E. Domenichini, and B. M. Cesana. 2003. *Ann Otol Rhinol Laryngol.* **112**(12):1014-20.

And

Exercise-induced laryngomalacia: an imitator of exercise-induced bronchospasm Bjornsdottir, U. S., K. Gudmundsson, H. Hjartarson, K. Brondbo, B. Magnusson, and S. Juliusson. 2000. *Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol* **85**(5):387-91.

Thanks again to all contributors.

Happy browsing,

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