Neurological Findings in Patients with Chronic Eye Inflammations

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Discussion.

Van Manen: The speaker himself has probably made attempts to find a relationship between the positive data of his article on the allergic past history in patients with chronic uveitis and the positive data of the present paper; is there anything known about the goldsol curves and the mastic curves in patients with allergic diseases?

Jonkers: It would be very interesting to know whether and, if so, how the curves change when the affection is cured as far as the ophthalmological aspect is concerned. Does the present study give any clue to the solution of this problem?

De Ruyter drew attention to a publication (Hallerman and Hemmer, Klin. Monatsbl. Augenheilk. 120, 60, 1952) in which a report is given of patients with chronic uveitis, whose central nervous systems were thoroughly studied— viz. both clinically and neurologically—by examination of the CSF and by EEG. This proved that half the patients had not only uveitis but also abnormalities of the central nervous system. It may therefore be advisable to submit patients with uveitis to neurological examination in clinics where this is facilitated by the short distance between the ophthalmological and neurological departments.

Zeeman recalled the experiences published by Ter Braak and Van Herwaarden which are in agreement with the similarity between the CSF changes found and those observed in multiple sclerosis.