

c.c. Serum heated at 56° in amounts of 0.2 c.c. The same results were obtained when horse serum and the serum of a rabbit immunized thereto were used as antigen and antibody.

Hence we may conclude that complement plays no role in the anaphylactic reaction. Inasmuch as complement is essential to the production of anaphylatoxin, this is equivalent to saying that anaphylatoxin plays no rôle in anaphylaxis.

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The isolation of a toxic substance from the blood of uremic patients.

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The analyses of bloods from cases of uremia have yielded a substance which is toxic. Control analyses of bloods from a wide variety of conditions not associated with uremia failed to discover a similar substance. Guinea-pigs were used as the test animal and enough material can be recovered from 200 c.c. of uremic blood to cause death. The isolation of the substance was effected by a combination of several methods in current use for the separation of animal bases.

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The possible association of diabetes mellitus and splenohepatomegaly, Goucher; report of a case.

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The following case, which we have recently had under observation, is of clinical and scientific interest because of the evidence it presents of the coexistence of diabetes mellitus and splenohepatomegaly, Goucher.

The history, in brief, is as follows: Patient, male, single;