

T. CONGOLENSIS DISEASE.

Method of Treatment.	Animal.	Previous History.	Condition Prior to Treatment.	Administration.*		Effects of Inoculation.			Further Remarks.
				Date.	Amount.	Immediate.	Local.	Ultimate.	
(Ib) Tartar emetic following other drugs	Dog O.1...	Probably contracted disease when in "fly" in March, 1922. Smears <i>T. congolense</i> 6/5/22; when first ill, biliary fever suspected	Poor — jaundice, catarrhal discharge both eyes	6/5/22	0.8 gm. trypan blue in 40 c.c. subcutaneous	Nil	Large abscess	Worse.....	As soon as <i>T. congolense</i> diagnosed owner was advised to bring animal to Laboratory for tartar emetic treatment. Animal arrived 10/5/22; tartar emetic injected into saphena vein.
				10/5/22	0.175 gm. tartar emetic in 5 c.c.	Nil	Left leg stiff	Slight improvement	
				11/5/22	0.175 gm. tartar emetic in 5 c.c.	"	Right leg stiff		
				12/5/22	0.175 gm. tartar emetic in 5 c.c.	"			
				13/5/22	0.175 gm. tartar emetic in 5 c.c.	"			
(iii) Drugs other than tartar emetic	Maritzburg, Cow 224	Artificial infection and <i>T. congolense</i> appeared 14/8/22	Fair.....	9/10/22	Bayer 205	Nil	Nil	Worse—acute diarrhoea, 28/10/22. Died 8/11/22	Trypanosomes very much reduced in numbers for eight days, but later increased until 27/10/22, when they were present in large numbers. Trypanosomes disappeared 29/10/22, and not seen again. Death due to overdose of Badenhorst's cure (Cooper's Powder). (Died.)
				10/10/22	" "	"	"		
				11/10/22	" "	"	"		
				27/10/22	12 gm. Badenhorst cure per os.	"	"		

PROBABLY *T. CONGOLENSIS* INFECTION (BLOOD-SMEARS NEGATIVE).

(i) Tartar emetic alone	Bovine P.3.	From farm in "fly" country. All smears examined were negative	Advanced case.—Losing condition and lachrymation	24/4/22	1.5 gm. tartar emetic in 30 c.c. saline	Nil	Nil	Owner states animal in good condition at end of year. (Apparent permanent recovery.)
				26/4/22	" " " "	"	"	
				2/5/22	" " " "	"	"	
				6/5/22	" " " "	"	"	
				10/5/22	" " " "	"	"	
				20/5/22	" " " "	"	"	
				31/5/22	" " " "	"	"	
						Marked improvement		

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				Date.	Amount.	Immediate.	Local.	Ultimate.	
ii) Tartar emetic preceding other drugs	Donkey D. 16	From farm in "fly" country. All smears examined were negative	Condition fair, but both eyes show films on cornea. Dull and lethargic	20/9/22	1 gm. tartar emetic in 30 c.c. saline	Nil	Nil	Much improvement	Discharged 13/10/22, although neck still swollen. Condition good, but left eye still shows film. Worked until June, 1923, when again treated. (Temporary recovery.)
				23/9/22	" " " "	"	Swelling left jugular		
				26/9/22	0.25 gm. drug 1811 in 250 c.c. saline	"	Swelling right jugular.		
iii) Drugs other than tartar emetic	Donkey B. 11	One of a span of 20 donkeys which proceeded to Conjweni, White Umfolosi River, in Nov. - Dec., 1921. (4 animals positive to <i>T. brucei</i> and 4 to <i>T. congolense</i>). This animal always negative	Losing condition.--- Photophobia, dull, and temperature irregular	7/2/22	0.75 gm. arsenic per os.	Nil	Nil	Much improved	Discharged 20/3/22, and since then no relapse. (Apparent permanent recovery.)
				9/2/22	0.75 " " " "				
				10/2/22	1 " " " "				
				11/2/22	1.5 " " " "				
				12/2/22	2 " " " "				
				13-28/2/22	1 gm. daily " " "				
				9/3/22	2 gm. atoxyl in 20 c.c. subcutaneous				
13/3/22	" " " "	"	"						

T. vivax DISEASE.

(i) Tartar emetic alone	Cow Cry 1	Smear showed <i>T. vivax</i> , 5/3/22	Poor, being weak and lame	16/3/22	1.8 gm. tartar emetic in 45 c.c. saline	Nil	Nil	Still lame, but condition improving	Discharged 21/3/22, and kept well throughout the year. (Apparent permanent recovery.)
				17/3/22	1.35 gm. tartar emetic in 40 c.c. saline	"	"		
				18/3/22	1.65 gm. tartar emetic in 50 c.c. saline	"	"		
				19/3/22	" " " "	"	"		
	Cow M. 2	Smear showed <i>T. vivax</i> 1/6/22	Poor, being weak & eyes watering. An advanced case	1/6/22	1.5 gm. tartar emetic in 30 c.c. saline	Nil	Nil	Improving	Discharged 8/7/22. Owner states that in December, condition poor, and animal would not take bull. (Temporary recovery.)
				26/6/22	" " " "	"	"		
				27/6/22	" " " "	"	"		
				28/6/22	" " " "	"	"		
				29/6/22	" " " "	"	"		
				30/6/22	" " " "	"	"		
	Cow Jn 1	Smear showed <i>T. vivax</i> , 28/3/22	Old cow, in poor condition and oedema of throat	1/4/22	1.5 gm. tartar emetic in 40 c.c. saline	Nil	Nil	Better. Died 30/4/22	<i>T. vivax</i> seen in blood, 28/4/22. (Died.)

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T. BRUCEI DISEASE.

Method of Treatment.	Animal.	Previous History.	Condition Prior to Treatment.	Administration.*		Effects of Inoculation.			Further Remarks.
				Date.	Amount.	Immediate.	Local.	Ultimate.	
(ii) Tartar emetic preceding other drugs.	Donkey 14788	Artificially infected by 50 c.c. citrated blood from Bovine 865 10/8/22, <i>T. brucei</i> appeared 18/8/22	Losing condition. Lachrymation and dull	29/8/22	1.5 gm. tartar emetic in 35 c.c. saline	Staggered	Nil	Losing condition	Animal struggled during inoculation.
				30/8/22	250 gm. arsenite in 50 c.c. saline of soda	Nil	Swelling left jugular		
				31/8/22	1 gm. tartar emetic in 30 c.c. saline	"	Swelling right jugular		
				1/9/22	250 gm. arsenite of soda in 30 c.c. saline	"	Nil		
				23/9/22	0.250 gm. drug 1811 in 250 c.c. saline	"			
				27/9/22	1 gm. drug 1811 in 100 c.c. saline	"	Died 29/9/22		
(iii) Drugs other than tartar emetic.	Donkey B. 6	Arrived 17/12/21 for treatment. Nagana contracted while on transport to Conjweni, White Umfolosi River, Nov.-Dec., 1921. <i>T. brucei</i> seen 19/12/21	Fair condition.— Photophobia, lachrymation and slight oedema of belly	19/12/21	5 c.c. electrargol.....	Nil	Nil	Worse. Died 23/12/21	<i>T. brucei</i> not seen again in blood-smears after 19/12/21. (Died.)
				20/12/21	2 c.c. neosalvarsan in 40 c.c. saline	"	"		
				23/12/21	10 c.c. thiarso.....	"	"		

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VII.—CONCLUSION.

1. SUMMARY.

The matter dealt with in this paper may be summarized as follows:—

(1) As a result of the heavy mortality in stock which occurred during the nagana epizootic of 1920, the Union Government established a nagana research laboratory in the Ntambanana Settlement, Lower Umfolosi Division, where the losses had been particularly severe.

(2) Systematic inquiries showed that the occurrence of nagana corresponded with the known distribution of *Glossina* spp. (see Map 1.) With one exception, viz., Obanjeni Tank Area in the Mtunzini Division, the "nagana area" overlaps "fly country" to a distance varying from 5 to 15 miles, depending on the topographical features of the district.

(3) Nagana was shown to be caused by the three trypanosomes, *T. congolense*, *T. vivax* and *T. brucei*. *T. vivax* was recognized for the first time in 1921 as being one of the organisms responsible for the disease.

(4) The susceptibility of domesticated animals to the above types of trypanosomes was investigated. Cattle were particularly susceptible to *T. congolense*; *T. brucei* was most pathogenic to equines and canines, and *T. vivax* was demonstrated only in cattle.

(5) Experiments regarding infectivity of blood of game animals were negative.

(6) The trypanocidal effects of several drugs was studied with the result that tartar emetic proved most satisfactory. During the period October, 1921, to January, 1923, over 4,000 doses of this agent were distributed gratis to farmers. In laboratory observations the mortality in cattle from *T. congolense* disease was 16 per cent., whereas untreated, the disease is fatal in probably 95 per cent. cases.

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EXPLANATION OF FIGURES 1-36.

- Fig. 1.—Nagana Research Laboratory, Ntambanana Settlement, from the south.
 Fig. 2.—High veld (1,500 feet) near the Eshowe-Melmoth and Eshowe-Empangeni cross-roads; the commencement of the middle veld is seen on the right.
 Fig. 3.—Middle veld, showing typical vegetation at Nagana Research Laboratory (Farm No. 273). Looking south from laboratory.
 Fig. 4.—Middle veld, south of Umhlatuzi River along Eshowe-Empangeni Road. In distance is Ngoye Range, the southern limit of *Glossina* in Africa.
 Fig. 5.—Low veld, coastal grassveld. Note open nature of country between Palmveld and Dune Bush. In distance are sand dunes, the most prominent eminence being Mlalele, Ubombo Division.
 Fig. 6.—Low veld, looking south-west from Otobotini Drift across the Pongola River. Note dense bush and Lebombo Range (2,000 feet) which prevents westward spread of *Glossina*.
 Fig. 7.—Pongola River, looking upstream from Otobotini Drift. In distance is Pongola Poort in the Lebombo Range.
 Fig. 8.—Mkuzi River, looking upstream. The right bank is part of the Mkuzi Game Reserve.
 Fig. 9.—White Umfolosi River, looking upstream from Munywane Confluence. Note Nqoloti Hill and the dense bush extending inland along the valley.
 Fig. 10.—White Umfolosi Valley, looking south towards Ntambanana Settlement from Nqoloti Hill. According to native tradition cattle were grazed in this valley a century ago, but it is now a tsetse area.
 Fig. 11.—Ntambanana Valley, looking east from Farm No. 272, showing bush clearings along the river. In distance is Ntondweni Hill.
 Fig. 12.—Umhlatuzi Valley, looking north from Eshowe-Empangeni road. Note bush-lined ravines leading to the high veld. In distance is Nkwenkwe Hill.
 Fig. 13.—Ntambanana Valley, Farm No. 250. Note height of grass (*Anthistiria* spp.) at end of summer.
 Fig. 14.—Ntambanana Valley, Farm No. 250, after a grass fire. Note the dense bush along the river banks. Leaves were scorched up to 30 feet from ground and the two euphorbias were also badly burnt.
 Fig. 15.—A valley on Farm No. 273, showing influence of autumn fire on leaf growth. In foreground, grass burned 1/4/22 and on 4/8/22, majority of trees in full leaf. In background, grass unburnt for over a year, and only species in leaf was *Acacia* sp. ("mpuzi").
 Fig. 16.—South bank, White Umfolosi River at Munywane Confluence. Note leafless condition of chief major shade trees, *Acacia* sp. ("mkaya") and *Spirostachys africana*, in winter.
 Fig. 17.—*Acacia natalitia*, Farm No. 273, showing effect of exposure to cold north-east winds in winter. Tree being unprotected has lost its foliage.
 Fig. 18.—*Acacia natalitia*, Farm No. 273, showing result of protection by tall grass (*Andropogon* spp.) from cold north-east winter winds. Although August, only top twigs were bare. Tree had been chopped down previous year, and in place of a single trunk there were three stout stems.
 Fig. 19.—Nagana Research Laboratory. *Acacia* sp. ("mpuzi") in full leaf, new growth, in midwinter, whereas *Sclerocarya caffra* still retains part of past year's foliage.
 Fig. 20.—Farm No. 273. Typical bare ridge vegetation in winter.

- Fig. 21.—Farm No. 273. Although winter, there are many shrubs and trees which retain their foliage, and thus afford protection to *Glossina*. The major shade trees are usually deciduous.
- Fig. 22.—Native system of chopping trees. A clearing on Farm No. 312. The trees, *Acacia* sp. ("ngawe"), were used for building goat kraals, and the high grass (*Panicum* spp.) is growing on an old site.
- Fig. 23.—Enseleni Valley, Farm No. 312, showing clearing of bush for cultivation, but trees along river banks continue to harbour *Glossina*.
- Fig. 24.—Ntambanana Valley, Farm No. 250, showing ploughing up of rich soil. The dense bush along river banks remains untouched.
- Fig. 25.—First natural case of *T. vivax* infection. Note half-closed eyes, drooped ears, oedema of throat, and emaciation.
- Fig. 26.—Experimental infection; on left, Ox 872 (*T. congolense*), and on right Ox 865 (*T. brucei*). Both animals infected on same day, 28/1/22, and two months later Ox 872 emaciated, whereas Ox 865 in good condition, in spite of hard work.
- Fig. 27.—Experimental infection; on left, Donkey 14733 (*T. congolense*), and on right, Donkey 14736 (*T. brucei*). Reverse condition now seen, Donkey 14736 being emaciated (died following day, 29/3/22), whereas Donkey 14733 in good health.
- Fig. 28.—Parasitic gastro-enteritis of yearling calf, the so-called swamp disease of the coastal grassveld of Ubombo. Note dunes in distance and flat swampy nature of country.
- Fig. 29.—Another case of parasitic gastro-enteritis in Ubombo Division. Note emaciation and stunted appearance of animal.
- Fig. 30.—Native cattle kraal situated on the border of bushveld and coastal grassveld in Ubombo Division. Nagana and parasitic gastro-enteritis might co-exist in such a locality.
- Fig. 31.—Zebra at distance of 20 yards. Note ox-pecker (*Buphaga erythrorhyncha*) on right hindquarter.
- Fig. 32.—Bushveld, south of the White Umfolosi River, Empangeni-Conjweni road, after a grass fire; the zebra show up clearly against the blackened ground.
- Fig. 33.—Nagana Research Laboratory. *Buphaga erythrorhyncha* searching for ticks on resting oxen. The significance of this in mechanical spread of nagana is evident.
- Fig. 34.—Mounted specimen of *Buphaga erythrorhyncha*, half natural size. Note strong bill.
- Fig. 35.—White Umfolosi Valley, south bank. A dry "pan" in winter, showing old game path leading therefrom. Surrounding it is *Euphorbia* sp.
- Fig. 36.—White Umfolosi Valley, south bank, near Munywane Confluence. A native kraal site deserted a century ago. Notice mound and broken grinding-stones.