

THE INCIDENCE OF TUBERCULOSIS AMONG UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA MEDICAL STUDENTS AND UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL NURSES

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ABSTRACT

This paper is a report of four years work (1937-1941) on the tuberculosis control program in the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine and University Hospitals, i. e.,

1500 tuberculin tests reported on medical students and University Hospital nurses.

800 individuals tested.

5 active cases discovered.

A rate of one in every one hundred sixty individuals.

3 of these active cases are cited.

These cases demonstrate the importance of the tuberculin test in making an early diagnosis of tuberculosis. Statistics are given comparing the results of our survey with those of other surveys being carried out in the United States and Canada. About a third of the colleges in the United States and Canada have tuberculosis programs and this number is increasing each year.