



## *The Medical* **Bulletin**

### In Rheumatology

#### FELTY'S SYNDROME

- Condition which occurs in some cases of longstanding rheumatoid arthritis with leukopenia, neutropenia and splenomegaly.
- more common in women
- mostly in the age group of 50- 70 years.
- C/F: Patient is febrile, pigmentation of skin, leg ulcers rheumatoid nodules may be present, lymph nodes are enlarged, keratoconjunctivitis sicca and vasculitis may be present.
- RA factor is positive
- In 1/3 rd of cases of felty's syndrome, "large granular lymphocyte syndrome" which is a premalignant condition of T lymphocyte occurs.
- Treatment is symptomatic for fever and joint pains and treatment of infections.
- Physiotherapy for joint pains.

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