



News Archives

Tuberculosis: December 2008

General News

Top Health News in 2008

Voice of America, December 22, 2008

According to Voice of America, news of a possible tuberculosis pandemic was one of the leading health stories in the news in 2008.

<http://www.voanews.com/english/2008-12-22-voa16.cfm>

Signs of TB in Ancient Skull Support Theory on Vitamin D

New York Times, December 18, 2008

Scientists have found evidence of tuberculosis in human ancestors in their migrations out of Africa.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2007/12/18/science/18skul.html>

Drug-Resistant TB

Therapy Flaw Lets Loose TB Carriers

The Telegraph, December 21, 2008

India's tuberculosis program is aggravating the disease in thousands of patients each year through a plan of treatment that threatens even uninfected people with drug-resistant TB. The government's retreatment plan involves adding a single drug to the same four drugs, which violates a rule in TB treatment—not to add a single drug to treatment for patients who have not responded to therapy.

http://www.telegraphindia.com/1081222/jsp/frontpage/story_10286001.jsp

Drug-resistant Tuberculosis in China Rife

ScienceDaily, December 16, 2008

Research published in BMC Infectious Diseases Journal has shown that the levels of drug-resistant tuberculosis in China are nearly twice the global average and that almost 10% of Chinese TB cases are resistant to the most effective first line drugs.

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2008/12/081210205044.htm>

A Killer Without Borders

New York Times, December 6, 2008

An Op-ed by New York Times Columnist, Nicholas Kristof, about the dangers of neglecting drug-resistant tuberculosis.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2008/12/07/opinion/07kristof.html>

TB Treatment

Is Tuberculosis Becoming Untreatable?

GreenFacts, December 19, 2008

A summary on the WHO's 4th Global Report on "Anti-Tuberculosis Drug Resistance in the World" by Green Facts.

<http://www.categorynet.com/v2/communiqués-de-presse/cause-humanitaire/is-tuberculosis-becoming-untreatable?---2008121984299/>