

SARCOID AND POTASSIUM IODIDE

Another feature of the Washington Conference which is of interest from the leprologists' point of view is that, in one of the discussions, someone asked if the search of the literature had turned up any report of a "considerable series" of sarcoids that had been treated with potassium iodide. Dr. Hirsch (Rockefeller Institute) said they had not. However, they had given that drug to 2 patients, "precisely because we could not find in the literature that anyone had done it," but nothing at all happened in consequence. The question still remains one of interest, if—as originally asked—in any "considerable series" of cases so treated there would be provoked an acute reactional process, as often occurs in leprosy.—H. W. WADE