

Editors

Helen Ward
Rob Miller

Assistant Editor

David Lewis

Journal Ombudsman

Mohsen Shahmanesh

Associate Editors

Sevgi Aral
Annemiek deRuiter
Kevin Fenton
Matthew Golden
David Goldmeier
Graham Hart

Richard Lau
Nicola Low
Jorma Paavonen
Jonathan Ross
Jonathan Zenilman

Editorial assistant

Michelle Dimler

Technical editors

Melissa Dodd
Glenys Hughes

Editorial board

Michael Adler (London)
Rhoda Ashley Morrow
(Seattle, USA)
Simon Barton (London)
Gill Bell (Sheffield)
Peter Brocklehurst (UK)
Mike Catchpole (London)
Verapol Chandeying (Thailand)
David Cooper
(Sydney, Australia)
Richard Crosby
(Kentucky, USA)
Gina Dallabetta
(Arlington, USA)
Ralph Di Clemente
(Atlanta, USA)
Joakim Dillner (Sweden)
Vanessa Griffiths (UK)
King Holmes (Seattle, USA)
Catherine Ison (London)
George Kinghorn (Sheffield)
Peter Kohl (Berlin)
Matti Lehtinen
(Helsinki, Finland)

David Mabey (London)
Jeanne Marrazzo (USA)
Andre Meheus (Belgium)
Adrian Mindel
(Sydney, Australia)
Fiona Mulcahy (Dublin)
Graham Neilsen (Thailand)
Annamari Ranki (Finland)
Geoffrey Ridgway (London)
Karen Rogstad (Sheffield)
Angela Robinson (London)
Jane R Schwebke
(Birmingham, USA)
Anne Scoular (Glasgow)
Margaret Stanley
(Cambridge)
Angelika Stary (Vienna)
Anna Wald (USA)
Jonathan Weber (London)
Janet Wilson (Leeds)
Editor, *BMJ*

STI is the official journal of the British Association of Sexual Health and HIV (see next page) and the Australasian Chapter of Sexual Health Medicine.

Instructions to authors

Full instructions are available online at <http://sti.bmjournals.com/misc/ifora.shtml>
If you do not have web access please contact the editorial office

Subscription information

See inside back cover

Copyright

© 2004 BMJ Publishing Group. All rights reserved; no part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording, or otherwise without the prior permission of *Sexually Transmitted Infections*. Authors are required to grant *Sexually Transmitted Infections* an exclusive licence to publish; further details available online at <http://sti.bmjournals.com/misc/ifora.shtml>

- *Sexually Transmitted Infections* is published by BMJ Publishing Group, typeset by The Charlesworth Group, and printed in UK on acid-free paper by Thanet Press Limited, Margate, Kent
- Periodicals postage paid, Rahway, NJ. Postmaster: send address changes to: *Sexually Transmitted Infections*, c/o Mercury Airfreight International Ltd, 365 Blair Road, Avenel, NJ 07001, USA
- ISSN: 1368 4973 (print)
- ISSN: 1472-3263 (online)



www.publicationethics.org.uk

This journal is a member of and subscribes to the principles of the Committee on Publication Ethics



Editorials

- 330 BASHH guideline for gonorrhoea *C J Bignell*
- 331 National chlamydia screening programme in England: making progress *K A Fenton, H Ward*
- 333 Current status of syndromic management of sexually transmitted infections in developing countries *B Vuylsteke*

Chlamydia

- 335 Establishing the National Chlamydia Screening Programme in England: results from the first full year of screening *D S LaMontagne, K A Fenton, S Randall, S Anderson, P Carter, on behalf of the National Chlamydia Screening Steering Group*
- 342 The chlamydia screening studies: rationale and design *N Low, A McCarthy, J Macleod, C Salisbury, P J Horner, T E Roberts, R Campbell, A Herring, S Skidmore, E Sanford, J A C Sterne, G Davey Smith, A Graham, M Huengsberg, J Ross, M Egger, for the Chlamydia Screening Studies (CLASS) Group*
- 349 *Chlamydia trachomatis* prevalence in men in the mid-west of Ireland *J Powell, C O'Connor, M Ó'híarlaithe, J Saunders, J de Freitas*
- 354 *Chlamydia trachomatis* in the United Kingdom: a systematic review and analysis of prevalence studies *E J Adams, A Charlett, W J Edmunds, G Hughes*
- 363 Modelling the healthcare costs of an opportunistic chlamydia screening programme *E J Adams, D S LaMontagne, A R Johnston, J M Pimenta, K A Fenton, W J Edmunds*
- 371 Liquid based cytology: examination of its potential in a chlamydia screening programme *J Hopwood, H Mallinson, E Hodgson, L Hull*

Epidemiology

- 374 Declining prevalence of STI in the London sex industry, 1985 to 2002 *H Ward, S Day, A Green, K Cooper, J Weber*
- 379 Investigating ethnic inequalities in the incidence of sexually transmitted infections: mathematical modelling study *K M E Turner, G P Garnett, A C Ghani, J A C Sterne, N Low*

In practice

- 386 Which cephalosporin for gonorrhoea? *C A Ison, J W Mouton, K Jones, on behalf of the North Thames Audit Group, K A Fenton, D M Livermore*
- 389 Current practice of sexual history taking by sexual health physicians in Australia and New Zealand *R L Tideman, M K Pitts, C K Fairley*
- 392 Risk factors associated with failure of syndromic treatment of sexually transmitted diseases among women seeking primary care in Addis Ababa *D Wolday, Z G-Mariam, Z Mohammed, H Meles, T Messele, W Seme, A Geyid, S Maayan*



- 395 Chlamydia and gonorrhoea in pregnancy: effectiveness of diagnosis and treatment in Botswana *M Romoren, M Rahman, J Sundby, P Hjortdahl*
-

Diagnostics

- 401 Vaginal leucocyte counts in women with bacterial vaginosis: relation to vaginal and cervical infections *W M Geisler, S Yu, M Venglarik, J R Schwebke*
- 406 Diagnosis of genital herpes by real time PCR in routine clinical practice *M Ramaswamy, C McDonald, M Smith,*

D Thomas, S Maxwell, M Tenant-Flowers, A M Geretti

- 411 Dark ground microscopy and treponemal serological tests in the diagnosis of early syphilis *H L Wheeler, S Agarwal, B T Goh*
-

PostScript

- 415 Letters
-

Miscellanea

- 422 Miller's tale: Presenting without power(point) *R Miller*



This logo indicates on article has been fast tracked.

Sexually Transmitted Infections is the official journal of BASHH

The British Association for Sexual Health and HIV, BASHH, was formed in 2003 through the merger of the Medical Society for the Study of Venereal Diseases (MSSVD, established 1922) and the Association for Genito Urinary Medicine (AGUM, established 1992).

President: Dr Angela Robinson

Vice-President: Dr Simon Barton

Treasurer: Dr Jan Clarke

General Secretary: Dr Keith Radcliffe

For further information on BASHH, including membership, contact BASHH Secretariat:

James Glavin, Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1G 0AE, tel: 020 7290 2968 fax: 020 7290 2989; email: james.glavin@rsm.ac.uk or visit <http://www.bashh.org>.