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CONTROVERSY IN THE MANAGEMENT OF FEBRILE URINARY TRACT INFECTIONS IN INFANT AND TODDLERS

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The American Academy of Pediatrics had published its most current guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of initial UTI in infants and children 2 to 24 months of age in August of 2011. The guidelines left significant ambiguities related to the role of imaging, antibiotic treatment and follow up. Significant controversy arose from deviation from prior practice of offering antibacterial prophylaxis for children diagnosed with vesicoureteral reflux. Subsequently, a study comparing prophylaxis to placebo was published in may of 2014 (Antimicrobial Prophylaxis for Children with Vesicoureteral Reflux The RIVUR Trial Investigators) attempted to resolve the controversy, however, it has not been endorsed by all professional societies, leaving the practicing Pediatrician to tailor treatment without firm, well-accepted guidelines.

BIOGRAPHY

Pinhas Geva had completed his medical education at the Sackler School of Medicine in Tel Aviv, Israel. After completing residency, completed Pediatric Nephrology Fellowship at University of California, Los Angeles and assumed junior faculty position at Albert Einstein College of Medicine in July of 1987. He joined the faculty at Michigan State University in July of 1997 and remained active in patient care and residents, student's education.

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