

the increasing sophistication of way of life (Popert and Hewitt, 1962; Rose and Prior, 1963). A further step will be to study the relationship between SUA concentrations and common disease processes, which also have a changing prevalence. Similarly, potential environmental determinants of SUA concentrations will be selected for scrutiny to establish the extent of their influence upon this course of events.

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*Correction:* 'Synthetic D(-)penicillamine in rheumatoid arthritis. Double-blind controlled study of a high and low regimen.' By Dixon *et al.* *Annals*, October 1975, **34**, 416.

Page 416, column 2, line 10 should read, 'The material contains less than 0.3% of the optical isomer, L(+)penicillamine, which is regarded as toxic.'