

Response to: 'Correspondence on 'Jan Gösta Waldenströmand rheumatology'' by Moutsopoulos

It was an exquisite pleasure to read the succinct tribute that Moutsopoulos is contributing on my mentor Jan Waldenström.^{1,2} It brings back memories of countless educational ward rounds in Malmö attended by 10 or more people learning from Dr Waldenström's interaction with individual patients; however, not kneeling but often sitting on their bed. His prompt and relevant reactions when confronted with novel information mentioned can be illustrated by the following anecdotes. When I told him of my work on secretory IgA in Minneapolis³ his reflection was 'Now I understand why dogs lick their wounds'. When listening to a talk on visualising intrauterine movements where it was shown that the fetus stopped moving when the mother smoked,⁴ he remarked 'Then mothers should stop smoking and eat an apple instead'. I can also add that when staying in the 'Stone House' at National Institutes of Health Dr Waldenström enjoyed the company of his friend Sir George Pickering, the emeritus Region Professor from Oxford UK.^{5,6} They were among the last guests in the premises enjoying the lovely garden surrounding it. The guest rooms was soon converted into offices.

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