

PREAMBLE

In Southeast Asia tropical diseases usually cause a great number of health problems with particular influence on the socioeconomic status of human resources. Our SMRL research physicians and scientists have striven forwards to discover the etiologic factors of these ailments and their complications.

The accomplishment of research studies form the scientific bases in solving many problems of the disease process. Undoubtedly further investigations are mandatory for the unsolved areas of the individual or group of diseases.

Apparently the research topics in this volume have been properly grouped into 5 categories : virus diseases, bacterial diseases, parasitic diseases, and the other two separate sections under the miscellaneous group and the malaria studies. The outcome of these experimental and clinical research studies are by all means contributory to the medical progress.

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