# The Occupational Health Residency Program

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#### Overall view

- Two year program
- Nine month theoretical course
- Sixty hours per week
- One month vacation per year
- Twenty two stages

# First year schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8am-12pm	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	staff meeting
1pm-5pm	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Ambulatory
7pm-10pm	CEMT	CEMT	CEMT	CEMT	

## First year stages

Dermatology **ENT** (otorhinolaryngology) Ophthalmology Rheumatology Orthopedics **Physiatry Psychiatry** Pulmonology Neurology **Emergency surgery** Clinical emergencies

## **CEMT** disciplines

- Introduction
- Occupational hygiene (1,2 and 3)
- Occupational safety
- Environmental sanitation
- Industrial processes
- Toxicology
- Occupational diseases (1,2,3 and 4)
- Ergonomics
- Social security law
- Labor expertise
- Health service organization for workers
- Safety and health of the rural worker
- Health, work and gender
- Tracts and systems
- Research methodology
- Monograph

## Second year schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8am-12pm	Stage	Funda centro	Stage	Stage	Staff meeting
1pm-5pm	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Ambulatoty

## Second year stages

**AVAPE** 

**ASSESSO** 

**DPME** 

**INSS** 

**CRST** 

**SESMT** 

**Pandurata** 

Clinica del lavoro

Bioqualynet

**Fleury** 

To be scheduled

## Cana Brava Mine, Minaçu-GO



## Cana Brava Mine, Minaçu-GO



# SAMA, Minaçu-GO



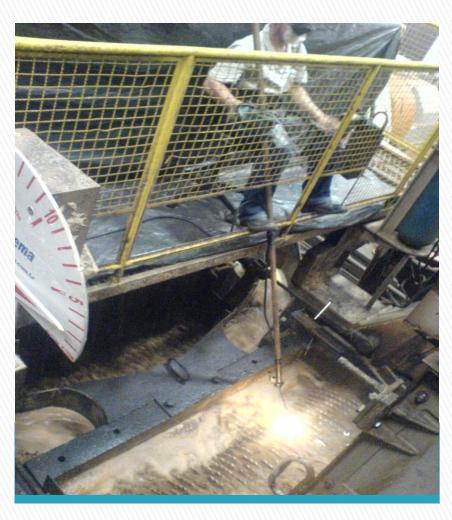
## Sugar cane farm, Iracemápolis-SP



# Iracema plant, Iracemápolis-SP



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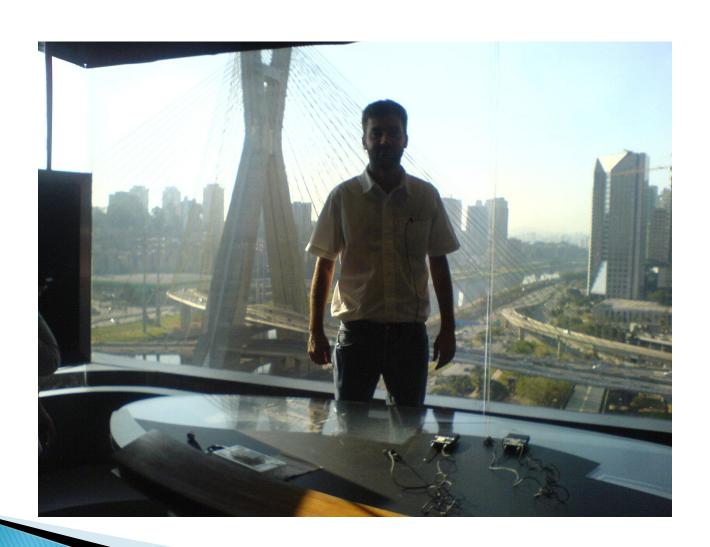




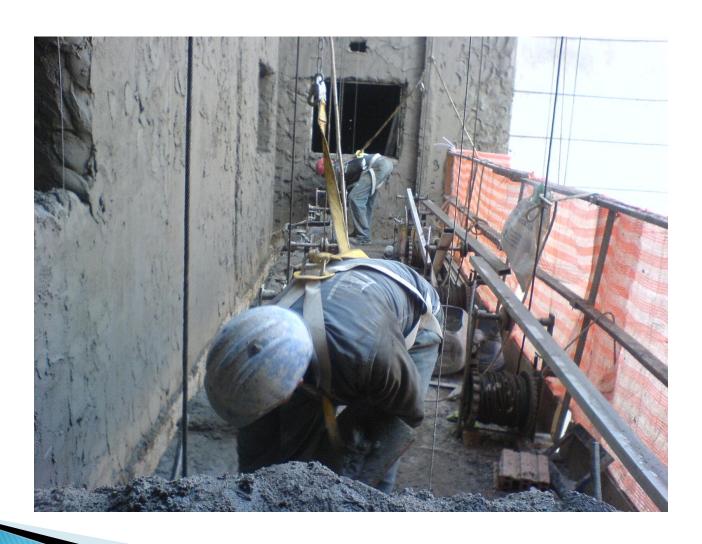
## Iracema plant, Iracemápolis-SP



## Rede Globo, São Paulo-SP



## Construction Site, São Paulo-SP



## Cases

Occupational Diseases Ambulatory

# Case 1

#### Identification

JSSF, 34 years old, black, male, unemployed construction worker, born in Poções-BA, resides in São Paulo-SP, catholic, single.

# Complaint

Cough with blood for two years.

## History of the disease

Pacient refers that for the last two years he has been feeling breathlessness and has also been coughing small amounts of blood specially in the morning. He also said that for the last three months he has been having night sweats, fever, weight loss and that the amount of blood on his sputum has increased. He sought for clinical aid and due to the severity of his disease he was sent to Santa Casa's pneumology department for treatment. He was diagnosed with tuberculosis and due to his occupational history he was sent to the occupational diseases ambulatory for investigation with the hipothesis of silicotuberculosis.

## Occupational history

From 1994 to 1996 the pacient worked for a flooring construction firm. On that job one of his duties was to dust the recently aplied resin with quartz powder. That process used to be done without proper ventilation measures and with the worker wearing a mask similar to those used in surgery rooms. There was no occupational health service on that firm. The firm went bankrupt in 2002.

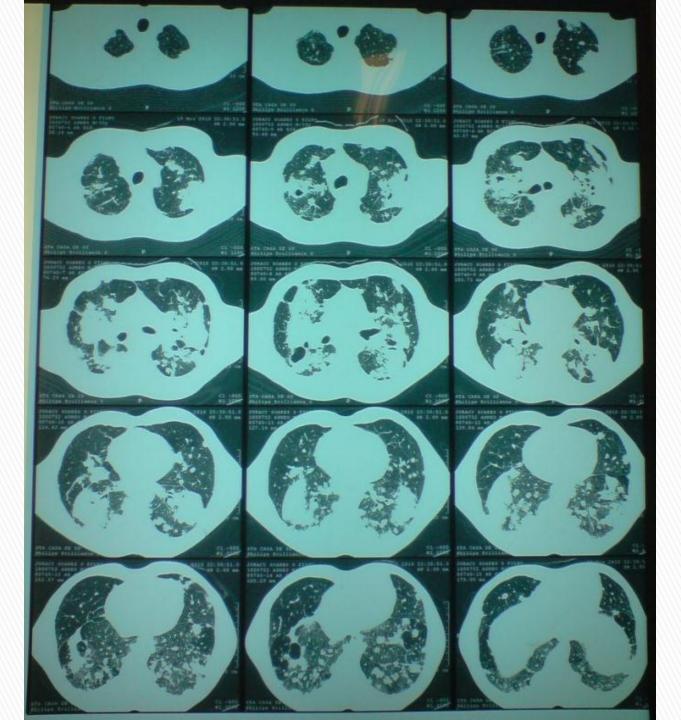
## Physical examination

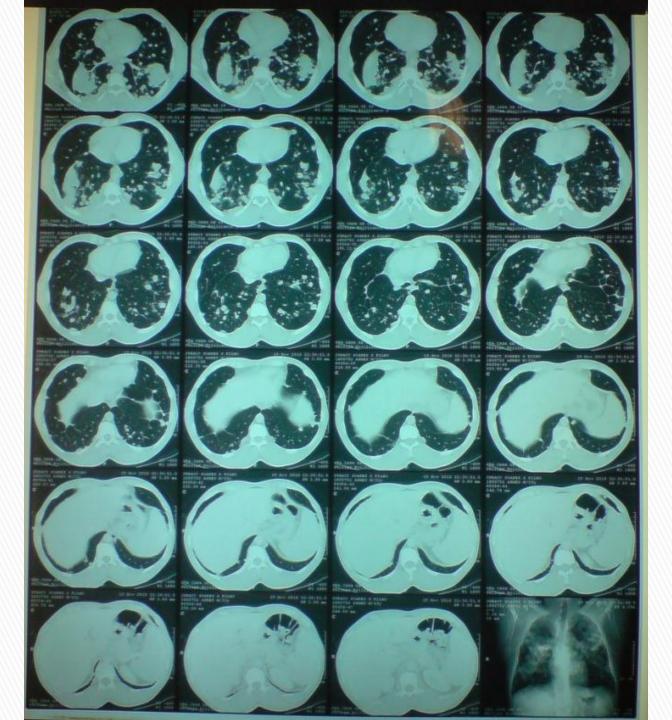
Chest wheezing and bilateral basal-end inspiratory crepitations.

## Subsidiary tests

- X-ray;
- Computed tomographic scanning;
- Lung function test;
- Fibreoptic bronchoscopy;
- Transbronchial biopsy;
- Bronchial lavage.







# Spirometry

	Before	after
FEV1	3,28 (71%)	2,91 (63%)
FVC	1,63 (42%)	1,51 (38%)
FVC/FEV1	0,50 (59%)	0,52 (61%)

## Fibreoptic bronchoscopy

- Compatible with normality.
- Transbronchial biopsy and bronchial lavage were performed.

## **Biopsy**

Chronic granulomatous inflammatory process with no evidence of necrosis on bronchus. Negative for tubercle bacilli, negative for fungus, negative for cristals and negative for fibers.

#### Conclusion

- Due to signs, symptoms, occupational history, radiological and spirometrical findings the diagnose of silicotuberculosis was made and the proper occupational measures were taken.
- The patient is currently receiving social security benefits and is also waiting for a lung transplant.

# Case 2

#### Identification

JFB, 55 years old, white, male, born in Santo André, residing in São Paulo-SP, carpenter, catholic, single.

# Complaint

Right shoulder pain for six months.

## History of the disease

Pacient refers that for the last six months he has been feeling shoulder pain and has not gotten relief despite physiatrical treatment for impact syndrome (CID-10: M75.4). He was then sent to the occupational disease ambulatory for investigation regarding his job and the possible relation between it and his illness.

## Occupational history

Works from 7 am to 5 pm reforming wooden load stands. He uses as work tools one hammer, one eletric saw, one lever, nails and wood. He does not make use of any individual safety equipments.

#### Physical examination

Mild tenderness over the right humeral head and disconfort on abduction at about 80°.











#### Conclusion

- It was not possible to say that the disease was caused by the occupation however it was possible to say that the work was agravating his condition and therefore preventive measures should be taken, such as:
- Carrying the wooden load stands below the shoulder;
- Not carrying it by himself;
- Use of pneumatic hammer;
- 10 minute brakes every hour;
- Change the eletric saw for a lighter model.

# Case 3

#### Identification

▶ JTA, 50 years old, white, male, shoemaker, born in Patos-PB, residing in São Paulo-SP, married, catholic.

### Complaint

Neck, forearms and hands skin injuries for one year.

#### History of the disease

Pacient refers that has been one year since he developed itchy, erosive skin injuries located mostly in neck, forearms and hands. He was sent to the occupational disease ambulatory by the dermatology department with a patch test positive for tiuram-mix and quinolina. The hipothesis of allergic contact dermatitis was confirmed but was not healing properly despite the treatment. So the dermatologist required occupational evaluation.

#### Occupational history

Pacient works as a shoemaker on a small shoe factory specialized in making boots. He has been working at this firm for ten years, from monday to friday, from 8 am to 6 pm with a pause of one hour for lunch. He does not use any individual safety equipment because they make his job more difficult to be acomplished he says.

#### Physical examination

Eczema located in hands (palm and back), wrists, forearms and neck.

















#### Conclusion

- Work related allergic contact dermatitis due to rubber exposure.
- The pacient should no longer have contact with rubber therefore he must be relocated to a rubberfree environment.
- Long sleeve uniform, trousers, gloves and boots should be provided to the workers by the employer.
- A more efficient ventilation system should be installed on the areas where rubber is sanded.

# Case 4

#### Identification

SAF, 54 years old, male, brown, born in Teixeira de Freitas-BA, residing in Taboão da Serra-SP, construction worker, catholic, married.

### Complaint

Skin itching for 15 years.

#### History of the disease

Pacient refers itchy, erosive, skin injuries, located in forearms and chest, that come and go, for 15 years. He relates the surge of the injuries to cement exposure at work. The patch test was positive for potassium bichromate. He was sent to the occupational diseases ambulatory for investigation and prevention.

#### Occupational history

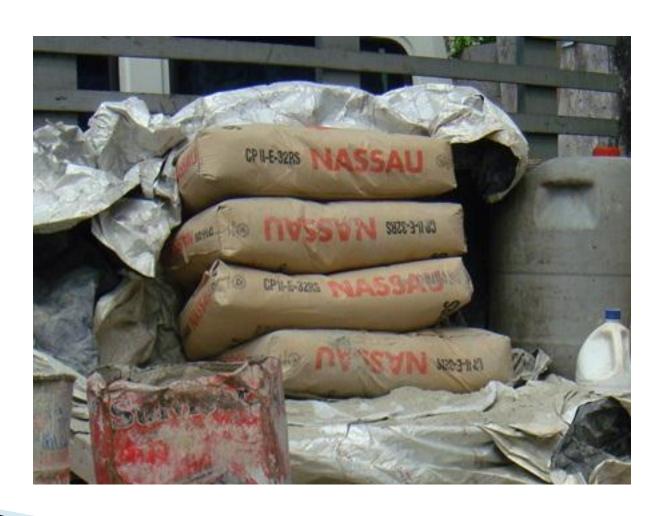
Patient works at an enterprise that provides construction services for the Prefecture of São Paulo. He works from 8 am to 5 pm with a one hour pause for lunch, from Monday to Friday. The patient works mainly on the maintenance of pluvial galleries. One of his duties is to prepar and transport a mixture of cement, sand and gravel. Patient uses long sleeve shirt, trousers, boots, helmet, auricular plugs and gloves for safety.

#### Physical examination

Eczema in forearms, wrists and chest.













#### Conclusion

- Symptoms, signs, positive patch test for potassium bichromate and occupational exposure confirms the diagnosis. Preventive measures were recomended, such as:
- Keep the use of individual safety equipments as it is;
- Avoid contact with any substance containing potassium bichromate.

# Case 5

#### Identification

SMM, 53 years old, white, married, female, catholic, cook, born and residing in São Paulo-SP.

## Complaint

Breathlessness on exertion for about 2 years.

### History of the disease

Pacient formerly diagnosed with elevated artherial blood pressure, type 2 diabetes, dislipidemia, coronary insuficiecy, underwent coronary revascularization surgery in 2009. Ever since the surgery she feels dyspnoea whenever she does physical effort.

### Occupational history

Patient works at a public school from 7 am to 6 pm from Monday to Friday, with one hour for lunch. The job consists in washing vegetables, opening cans, fixing the meal, serving it as well, then washing the dishware, storing it afterwards, and last but not least cleaning the cafeteria. She does all that work helped by one colleague. They do the whole thing twice a day.

### Physical examination

- ▶ Blood pressure = 140x95mmHg
- Lower limb edema









#### Conclusion

The job is too heavy for a lady with history of coronary insuficiecy and with symptoms of mild congestive cardiac failure (dysphoea and limb edema), therefore it was recomended the transference to a different sector, such as the principal's office, where she could work as a secretary, for example.

#### São Paulo-SP



# Thank you very much!