

LIST OF SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES

The list of sexually transmitted diseases was short and exhaustive. Gonorrhoea, "soft shanker" and syphilis. Other sexually transmitted diseases, which are common today, were not known, were not addressed, or were not considered to be sexually transmitted diseases. The prevalence of diseases among prostitutes was general, and the first disease was acquired immediately at the beginning of the "career".

Gonorrhoea

Gonorrhoea was the most common sexually transmitted disease. Dr. Joudelowitz, a medical doctor for sexually transmitted diseases, wrote:

"Gonorrhoea is an inflammation of the urinary tube's mucus skin, and begins by going to one of the female people with this disease. The current medical science is not familiar with the rest of the beginning moments of this disease; neither intoxication during intercourse nor startling while sleeping together can give one gonorrhoea. The childish-smart saying of the sick that they got it from carelessly urinating upwind is already disappearing, so that the doctor will not hear that much anymore during the visits."

"Soft shanker"

Itching and redness occur on the male genital organ 2-5 days after infection. The next day, a dot appears that grows to a blister. When the blister bursts, a rotten wound emerges from which a boil grows. The edges of the boil are soft, which also gives the disease a name and distinguishes it from "hard shanker". In the case of dark and smelly pus, the disease is particularly infectious and can leave large wounds to the genitals.

In general, it was considered reasonable not to treat the disease specifically, but to improve the habits of life and, as with gonorrhoea, to avoid drinking, to eat healthily, and to keep warm.

Syphilis

Syphilis, or "the evil disease", "the bad disease", "the hard shanker", or "the French disease".

First, there will be a little bump that will soon rot. There is little pus, no pain, the edges are hard, which gives it the name "hard shanker". In about 6 weeks, blemishes and acne will occur across the body, hair will fall out, pains in many areas of the body, general weakness, eye disease. At this stage, the person is very infectious. At some point, the signs of the disease disappear by themselves, but reappear after every few months for two or three years or even more. With poor treatment, the disease reaches a third stage. Sponges appear that go rotting. Constant pains, bones get brittle; especially the nose tends to fall off. So does the palate, which makes the sick talk through their nose, and food tends to go up their nose while they're eating. Some become blind. At the third stage, syphilis is no longer infectious.