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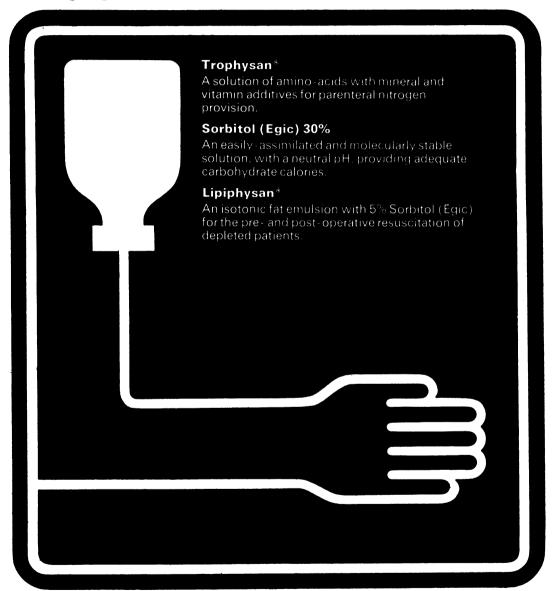
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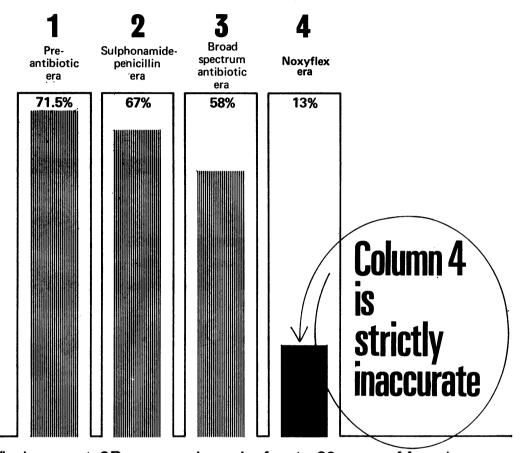
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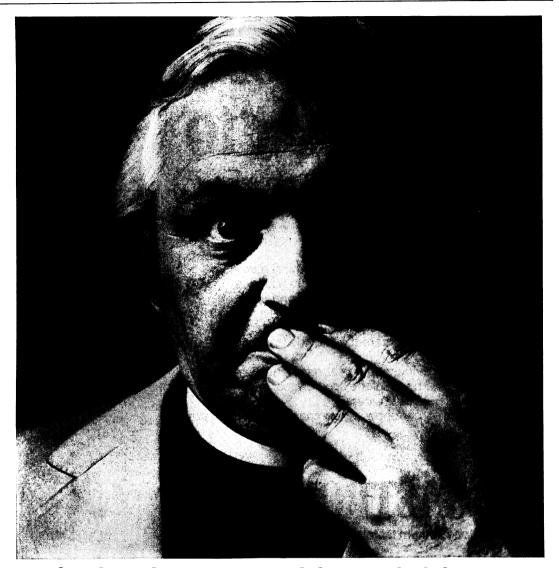
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Therapeutische Umschau und medizinische Bibliographie, 1969, 26: 275-277

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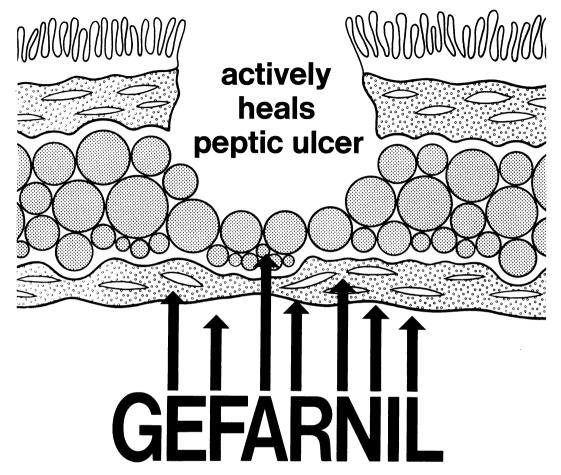
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