SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

This study was carried out to assess the efficacy of three new oral antifungal drugs; fluconazole, itraconazole and terbinafine.

Nignty patients were included in the study; and all three drugs proved to be quite effective and safe. Minor differences in their onset and duration of action were recorded. Fluconazole, was the fastest in onset of action next was itraconazole and the most delayed was terbinafine. Yet, terbinafince proved to be have the longest after effect.

These three new oral drugs, will add greately to the weapons possessed by dermatologists to meet the increasing incidence of superficial as well as deep fungal infections.

In conclusion, we recommed further studies to determine the recurrence rates of dermatophytosis with these drugs and the least effective recommended dose as prophylaxis.