

BOOK REVIEW

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A Review of 1978 Year Book of Pathology and Clinical Pathology

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Within this small, but extremely informative, volume are the well-written synopses of over 250 recent journal articles concerning new diagnostic and therapeutic procedures of pathological significance. The editors and associate editors selected excellent articles from May 1976 through May 1977 and divided the text into anatomical and clinical pathology sections. Practically every subspecialty area is covered, with the majority of articles devoted to anatomical pathology. The anatomical pathology section includes general, cellular, inflammation and infectious disease, neoplasia, immunopathology, forensic pathology, cardiovascular, hematopoietic and lymphatic system, respiratory, alimentary system, hepatobiliary, urinary tract, genital system, endocrine, muscular, skin and subcutaneous tissue, and nervous system topics. The clinical pathology section includes chemical pathology, microbiology, diagnostic immunology, blood banking, hematology, and lab data processing topics.

A 51-question quiz captures the most significant highlights of many of the articles. The questions are almost equally divided between anatomical and clinical pathology with page references directing the reader to the articles containing the answers. Subject and author indexes are helpful adjuncts.

Despite a relatively superficial treatment of some topics (including forensic pathology) and a few typographical errors, the book has no major drawbacks. Print, photographs, and charts are adequate in size and clarity.

This book represents a valuable resource of current pathology literature that should be beneficial to residents and staff pathologists alike.

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