

BOOK REVIEW

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A Review of Radiographic Techniques Related to Pathology

REFERENCE: Clifford, M. A. and Drummond, A. E., *Radiographic Techniques Related to Pathology*, 2nd ed., John Wright and Sons Ltd., Bristol, 1977, 77 pages, \$7.95.

This "pocket guide" of radiographic techniques is intended for radiology technicians who are not directly supervised by a radiologist. The title suggests that it might also be of use to pathologists doing postmortem X-ray examinations. It is, in fact, an abbreviated dictionary of medical diagnoses. Each definition is followed by a list of radiographic projections recommended to illustrate that specific disease or lesion.

Radiology technicians and pathologists almost always select X-ray projections by anatomic site rather than diagnosis. Considerably more "technique" is required by the inexperienced radiographer than is included in this small book. Needed technical information is found in a variety of other readily available manuals and textbooks.

Someone who enjoys dictionaries and arcane eponyms, as does this reviewer, might spend a few pleasurable moments with this book. It will not, however, be especially useful in obtaining appropriate high quality X-rays of either the living or the dead.

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