

New Books

Cutaneous Drug Eruptions. Diagnosis, Histopathology and Therapy

Editors: Hall, John C., Hall, Brian J. (Eds.).
SPRINGER. 1st ed. 2015, XXI, 463 p. 198 illus. in color.

- Summary and reference of all skin problems related to medications
- Contains photographs of clinical and histological diagnoses
- Detailed algorithmic approach to diagnosis and therapy for skin diseases caused by drugs

The burden of cutaneous drug reactions is significant, in both outpatient and inpatient settings, and can result in morbidity and even mortality. This book is unique in its approach to this problem. This text is divided into basic principles, common drug reactions, skin conditions mimicked by drug reactions, drug reactions to the skin appendages, life-threatening drug reactions, less common drug reactions, and special groupings of drug reactions. For the clinician, the skin can only morphologically react in to many limited ways. This is also true for the pathologist. Combining these two forever linked specialties is a synergistic paradigm that greatly enhances diagnosis, and ultimately therapy, for these pernicious conditions. Drug reactions in the skin remain a common complication of therapy. True incidences of drug reactions are not available. For general discussion, the rule of 3% can be applied with reasonable assuredness. Approximately 3% of all hospitalized patients develop an adverse cutaneous drug reaction. Approximately 3% of these reactions are considered severe. Outpatient data is even more obscure, but at least 3% of dermatology clinic outpatient visits are due to a drug reaction. Cutaneous drug reactions compromise approximately 3% of all drug reactions. Even more challenging is the fact that the most vulnerable populations to drug reactions are increasing and include the elderly patients on prolonged drug therapy, and patients that use multiple drugs at the same time.

Dermatology Simplified. Outlines and Mnemonics

Authors: Lipoff, Jules. 2016.
SPRINGER. E-Book ISBN 978-3-319-19731-9. Softcover ISBN 978-3-319-19730-2. 1st ed. 2016, XXIII, 561 p. 10 illus. in color.

- Outline-based format combining all diseases into 13 categories
- Contains an extensive number of mnemonics
- Includes many lists for easy learning of related conditions and differentials

- Extensive guide on dermatology in compact and condensed format that can fit into a white coat pocket

This book is derived from notes taken during a dermatology residency and it represents a comprehensive yet condensed approach to a dermatology curriculum, listing every entity with only the most important and testable facts and mnemonics. There is an intimidating large amount of material for young dermatologists and other doctors with an interest in dermatology to learn, and this guide puts it all into a concise and manageable context. Further, introductions to the dermatology physical exam and dermatopathology, as well short guides describing the basics of medications, basic science, cosmetics, and surgery are included. The goal of this guide is not primarily to help with visual identification of diagnoses, but rather to help young dermatologists learn to create differential diagnoses and learn all the important facts for myriad diseases. Given its unique approach, this guide will serve new residents well in quickly adapting to a new field, and also, it will serve senior residents as quick review of all topics in preparation for in service and board examinations. In general, there are very few dermatology board review books of any kind and therefore this book will immediately have a market among dermatology students, residents, rotators, and faculty.

Clinical Research. Case Studies of Successes and Failures

Authors: Brock-Utne, John G.
SPRINGER. 1st ed. 2015, XX, 181 p

- Case studies of successes and failures in clinical research
- Highly readable cases of "lessons learned"

This book provides insights into how to be a productive clinical researcher via real-life case examples of successful clinical research -- and also clinical research gone awry. Through these examples of success and failure, the book develops a blueprint for building a career in clinical research.

Future medical practice depends on the quality of the clinical trials to which drugs, devices, and treatment procedures are subjected today. However, clinical trials are not easy to do, and many physicians and health care providers who attempt clinical research struggle in this endeavor, primarily because of lack of instruction. Clinical Research aims to fill the gap between training and research through case studies of a long-time clinical researcher's rich and varied experiences.