

Book reviews

Multiple Choice Questions on Clinical Chemistry. LG Whitby and AF Smith. (Pp 91; paperback £2.80.) Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1981.

Multiple choice questions to accompany "Lecture Note" text books are now the vogue. This collection has in addition helpful advice on how to answer them in different situations from examination conditions to self-assessment. The questions are aimed at medical students and young postgraduates in Clinical Chemistry, but could be found useful by medical laboratory scientific officers. Users are invited to inform the authors of any difficulties in the understanding of the questions or the correctness of the answers—a challenge to the more experienced.

The presentation of the questions is such that they can be used without the authors' *Lecture Notes in Clinical Chemistry*, but purchase of the two can only bring added benefit.

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Histopathology of Non-Hodgkin's Lymphomas. K Lennert in collaboration with H Stein. (Pp 135; 68 figures; DM 78, US\$37.20.) Springer-Verlag. 1981.

Although widely used throughout Europe the Kiel classification of the non-Hodgkin's lymphomas is less familiar to British and American pathologists. This modestly priced synopsis of Professor Lennert's larger volume may well change this situation. Intended as a handy guide to lymphoma diagnosis it succeeds well for it is orderly, readable, and admirably succinct. The sections containing practical diagnostic tips, the scientific background to the Kiel system, and technical methods important in cell identification are of particular interest, and there is a lively discussion comparing the merits of the different classifications in current use. The reliance upon Giemsa staining may have previously restricted acceptance of the Kiel system in this country; nonetheless the illustrations are good and many are in black and white which not only aids clarity but ensures applicability regardless of the staining methods employed.

This excellently presented book will

most assuredly find an indispensable role in the education of any serious student of the malignant lymphomas.

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Some new titles

Basic Medical Laboratory Technology. 2nd ed. CJC Kirk, RN Peel, KR James, KS Lewis, and AD Waft. (Pp. 366; illustrated; £14.95.) Pitman Books Limited. 1982.

The Laboratory in Clinical Medicine. 2nd ed. Ed James A Halsted and Charles H Halsted. (Pp 1083; illustrated; £58.75.) WB Saunders. 1981.

Laboratory Decontamination and Destruction of Aflatoxins B₁, B₂, G₁, G₂ in Laboratory Wastes. IARC Scientific Publications No. 37. Ed M Castegnaro, DC Hunt, EB Sansone, PL Schuller, MG Siriwardana, GM Telling, HP Van Egmond, and EA Walker. (Pp. 59; Sw Fr 18 paperback.) World Health Organisation. 1980.

Environmental Carcinogens Selected: Methods of Analysis. Vol 4 Some Aromatic Amines and Azo Dyes in the General and Industrial Environment. Ed H Egan, L Fishbein, M Castegnaro, IK O'Neill, and H Bartsch. (Pp 347; illustrated; Sw Fr 60.) World Health Organisation. 1981.