

The book begins with a superb chapter by Courtice on the development of concepts of fluid balance. This alone will be invaluable for anyone writing a historical background in a thesis on oedema. There then follows a series of chapters concerned with the biophysics of fluid exchange. These lead the reader on to the ultrastructural aspects of the microcirculation and the lymphatics. One then progresses through into the pharmacological control mechanisms, inflammation, and cellular response to injury. The last 10 chapters are concerned with the pathophysiology of defined clinical conditions; lymphoedema, congestive heart failure, shock and resuscitation, burns, G-I and liver oedema, drowning, pleural effusion, and pulmonary oedema. The last chapter is outstanding on pulmonary oedema by Norman Straub, one of the editors. However, with such a mass of talent making contributions to this enormous book, it would be invidious to single out single chapters.

This will make a very useful reference book in most libraries who can afford it within their budget, for exactly the audience described by the editors. It is definitely postgraduate material.

It is a pity that in the present economic climate that the publishers cannot break down a book of this size into a series of slimmer and cheaper volumes, to bring it within the reach of individuals and departmental libraries. Notwithstanding, it is highly recommended.

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Some new titles

The receipt of books is acknowledged, and this listing must be regarded as sufficient return for the courtesy of the sender. Books that appear to be of particular interest will be reviewed as space permits.

Advances and Prospects in Clinical, Epidemiological and Laboratory Oncology. Tumour Promotion and Human Cancer Vol 2. No 4, 1983. Ed TJ Slaga and R Montesano. (Pp 105; £12.) Oxford University Press. 1983.

Cryopreservation of Tissues and Solid Organs for Transplantation. Ed AB Glassman and J Umlas. (Pp 112; \$21.00.) American Association of Blood Banks. 1983.

Tutorials in Surgery 4. Surgical Pathology I. FG Smiddy and PN Cowen. (Pp 238; soft cover £14.50.) Pitman Publishing Ltd. 1984.

1984 Year Book of Drug Therapy. Ed LE Hollister. (Pp 440; £37.) Blackwells. 1984.

Advances in Cellular Neurobiology. Vol 5. Ed S Fedoroff. (Pp 375; £62.50.) Academic Press. 1984.

Short Cases in Clinical Biochemistry. GV Gill, MF Laker, KGMM Alberti. (Pp 100; paper back £4.95.) Churchill Livingstone. 1984.

Notices

Annual Meeting of the United States-Canadian Division of the International Academy of Pathology

The annual meeting of the United States-Canadian Division of the International Academy of Pathology will be held at the Sheraton Centre in Toronto, Ontario, from Monday morning, 11 March, to Friday evening, 15 March 1985.

Scientific papers, poster sessions, 13 specialty conferences, and 45 short courses are scheduled. Two special courses will be offered on "Advances in the Application of Immunocytochemistry to Diagnostic Surgical Pathology" with Dr Cecilia Fenoglio as course director and "Diagnostic Cellular and Molecular Pathology" with Dr Benjamin Trump as course director. The long course will be on "The Pathogenesis of Liver Diseases" with Dr Emmanuel Farber and Dr MJ Phillips as course directors.

The Maude Abbott lecture will be delivered by Dr Kenneth M Brinkhous on Tuesday 12 March.

Timely topics in pathology will feature a session on the "Pathogenesis and Lesions of Acid Rain" presented by Dr Robert Leader.

Further information about the meeting and courses may be obtained from Dr Nathan Kaufman, Secretary-Treasurer, United States-Canadian Division of the International Academy of Pathology, 1003 Chafee Ave, Augusta, Georgia, 30904. Telephone (404) 724-2973.

VIIIth meeting of the International Society of Haematology European and African Division

This symposium is organised by the Polish Society of Haematology and Blood Transfusion and will be held in Warsaw, Poland, on 8-13 September 1985. The official language is English.

The topics of the symposium cover the major fields in haematology, and there will be a series of invited plenary and educational lectures from world leading authorities, poster sessions, and workshops.

For further information please contact: Organizing Committee, Institute of Haematology; 5, Chocimska Street, 00-957 Warsaw, Poland.

Association of Clinical Pathologists Research Award—Amended Rules

- 1 Council of the Association has decided to award an annual prize of £250 for the best paper presented by a member under the age of 35 years at the Autumn General meeting of the Association.
- 2 The prize will be awarded by Council on the recommendation of a panel of adjudicators from the Education Committee at their January meeting following presentations. Criteria for assessing the merit of entries will include originality, scientific importance and lucidity of presentation. The award will be made at the next Spring general meeting of the Association.
- 3 Papers must be presented by members or junior members normally under the age of 35 years on the last date for receipt of entries (rule 5). A paper must not have been presented before, except to an ACP branch meeting.
- 4 Work that had been carried out by more than one person must be accompanied by a statement of the extent of the contribution to the work made by the members presenting the paper. Joint work is acceptable provided that the substantial part of the work was carried out by the candidate for the prize. Others involved in the project e.g. a supervisor, must indicate their approval in writing.
- 5 In order to give the papers of candidates for the prize a degree of priority on the programmes of meetings, a member presenting a paper for consideration for the Prize must give written notice to that effect to the Meetings Secretary. The last date for receipt of this notice will be 1st May preceding the Autumn meeting. An abstract (about 250 words in length) of the paper must be sent with the notice.