

## LIVROS — BOOK REVIEWS

MOTTA, P. M. & DIDIO, L.J.A. — **Basic and Clinical Hepatology.** The Hague, Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 1982. 236p. ilus. (Developments in Gastroenterology, v. 2). ISBN 90-247-2404-X

This monograph presents the major basic achievements and clinical applications of new knowledge on hepatology. Each chapter concentrates on innovations and recent contributions as well as on pure and applied data based on theoretical, practical, and even speculative aspects of recent knowledge of the liver. Experimental details, case reports, and controversial interpretations have been avoided to give place to new findings that have gained acceptance by the majority of investigators and practitioners dealing with hepatology. Basic and Clinical Hepatology is intended to serve general practitioners, surgeons, specialists, investigators, and students. This publication compiles data from scientific articles, review papers and textbooks.

It summarizes basic, clinical, and surgical information and, at the same time, points out gaps in present knowledge as well as the need for further research. Contributions obtained by means of new techniques utilized in transmission and scanning electron microscopy, with or without freeze-fracture, as well as those made with the remarkable tools that have been developed for use in radiology have been included. These techniques have enabled pathologists and clinicians to better understand the anatomy and physiology of the liver, both normal and diseased, to help with interpretation of clinical and experimental findings, and to offer a sound basis for surgical treatment of ailments of the human liver.

WISTREICH, George A. & LECHTMAN, Max D. — **Microbiologia das Doenças Humanas.** 2.<sup>a</sup> edição. Rio de Janeiro, Guanabara Koogan, 1980.

Microbiologia das Doenças Humanas de WISTREICH & LECHTMAN, em 2.<sup>a</sup> edição, traduzida por Ana Maria de Andrade e colaboradores, sob a supervisão do Prof. Italo Suassuna, e publicada pela Editora Guanabara Koogan é uma obra que reconhece a posição ocupada pelos microrganismos no mundo da Biologia, com uma visão geral dos problemas e métodos envolvidos no cultivo e identificação de todos os seres microscópicos que provocam doenças infecciosas no homem e nos animais. Adquire-se, com a leitura dos vários capítulos deste livro, um bom conhecimento sobre as diversas doenças transmissíveis, bem como o diagnóstico

de laboratório das mesmas e sua história natural. As doenças por vírus, bactérias, protozoários e fungos são tratadas de modo minucioso, com capítulos dedicados ao estudo da estrutura e função microbianas, metabolismo genético dos microrganismos e os fundamentos de imunologia envolvidos na resposta imunológica do hospedeiro aos diversos agentes infectantes. Há um capítulo dedicado à Parasitologia Médica. Os objetivos a que se propuseram os Autores foram plenamente atingidos tratando-se de obra de consulta a todos os que se dedicam à Infectologia.

PETTIT, JOHN H. S. — **Manual of Practical Dermatology.** Edinburgh, Churchill Livingstone, 1983. 219p. ilus. (Medicine in the Tropics Series). ISBN 0 443 025169

This book is designed for the use of the doctor who has had little or no training in dermatology, and who finds himself working in

areas where there are limited facilities and little or no assistance. It will help such doctors to recognise the more common skin diseases, and