

A Colour Handbook

Acute Adult Dermatology

Diagnosis and Management

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Description:

A significant proportion of skin disease develops rapidly, is highly symptomatic and can be associated with considerable morbidity. While most patients with acute skin disorders are initially seen by primary care services, acute dermatology is also encountered in hospital emergency departments and in dermatology clinics. This book aims to serve as a comprehensive reference on relevant acute dermatology and is designed to encourage a structured and thorough clinical technique.

The sections have been written so that essential information about each disease is summarised in a clear and concise way. After a brief introduction, there is a description of the clinical features, followed by a differential diagnosis, a list of important systemic associations and the relevant investigations. Treatment is divided into two sections, the first stating the immediate action required to prevent further deterioration and the second discussing long-term management considerations. Each condition described and discussed is illustrated by clinical pictures.

It is hoped that this book will enable all medical staff seeing patients with acute skin problems to practise more effectively. It is aimed at primary care physicians, nurse specialists, emergency department staff and dermatologists. It should also appeal to the general physician who is interested in dermatology.

Contents:

1. Eczema, 2. Psoriasis and Papulo-squamous eruptions, 3. Erythroderma, 4. Urticaria, 5. Blistering diseases, 6. Vascular diseases, 7. Panniculitis, 8. Connective tissue disease, 9. Bacterial diseases, 10. Viral diseases, 11. Fungal diseases, 12. Arthropod diseases, 13. Travellers' dermatoses, 14. Tumours and malignancies, 15. Physical and environmental dermatoses, 16. Pregnancy-related dermatoses, 17. Drug eruptions. Index.

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Readership:

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Key Features:

- Focus on dermatoses with sudden onset, rapid progression or with local or systemic morbidity.
- Covers all common inflammatory and infective dermatoses, plus rarer conditions: rashes, tumours, connective tissue disease, travellers' dermatoses and drug eruptions.
- Comprehensive reference, encouraging structured and thorough clinical technique.