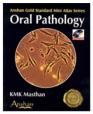
# **Book reviews**

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## MINI ATLAS OF ORAL PATHOLOGY



K. M. K. Masthan UK: Anshan price £19.99; pp 236 ISBN 9781848290112

This book forms part of the Anshan Gold Standard Mini Atlas Series and is designed primarily for dental students. It aims to present oral histology and histopathology in a simple and easy to understand manner. The book focuses mainly on histology with no emphasis on incidence, prevalence, clinical features or pathogenesis of the conditions described.

The first section describes the normal histology of epithelium, connective tissues and connective tissue cells; the second part concentrates on oral histopathology. The information is delivered in a bullet point format with a histology slide and hand drawn diagram for most of the conditions. The majority of conditions are described over two pages but these are overleaf rather than as a two page spread, which is disappointing as it makes the diagrams and histology slides difficult to correlate.

The reader using this book would need a basic understanding of histology as there are no definitions offered and it would benefit from a glossary of many of the key terms.

The drawings for the microdontia and macrodontia sections are of very limited value, they offer the reader very little in the way of extra information and the jaw size and teeth should have been standardised to enable a better comparison.

The Atlas comes with a CD-ROM; this

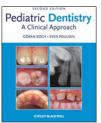
offers no further information and is merely a CD containing all the images found within the print. It does allow the histology slides to be viewed on a larger scale.

I was surprised to see pyogenic granulomata included in the 'Bacterial Viral and Mycotic Infection' chapter of the atlas as this gives the impression pyogenic granulomas are of an infective nature. Similarly leukoplakia is included in the 'Benign Tumours of Epithelial Origin' section despite leukoplakia being a clinical diagnosis and this is not clarified.

There are spelling mistakes throughout the book and the grammar used is not always what you expect from a UK written book. Overall this may be used as an adjunct to other books on the subject but is unlikely to be the mainstay of study in this area.

A. Shrimpton

#### PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY: A CLINICAL APPROACH, 2ND EDITION



G. Koch, S. Poulsen UK: Wiley-Blackwell price £89.99; pp 360 ISBN 9781405161008

This book is edited by two internationally renowned experts in paediatric dentistry with contributions from many clinicians and scientists. The book aims to serve as a basis for undergraduate learning and to aid qualified dentists taking further study in paediatric dentistry or providing care to child patients.

The overall layout and organisation of the chapters is intuitive, with an inter-

esting and relevant introductory chapter outlining the history and development of paediatric dentistry. This is followed by chapters focussing on child development and behaviour management. Next the editors outline the epidemiology of dental caries in children before covering clinical and radiographic examination and caries prevention, diagnosis and management. Erosion, endodontics and periodontal diseases in children are then explored before the editors present chapters on tooth and occlusal development, orthodontics and disturbances of normal development. The last chapters of the book describe trauma, oral lesions, oral surgery, TMJ disorders and care for paediatric patients with special needs.

Individual chapters are laid out clearly with a concise introduction before relevant sub-topics are explored in a logical order. The information is presented very clearly throughout with a number of useful large colour photos and diagrams. Boxes containing clear lists of information are regularly displayed. Each chapter ends with an extensive list of references maintaining the editors' evidence-based approach and providing the reader with relevant opportunities to seek further information.

English is not the editors' first language and this is apparent as many sentences could be worded more clearly and concisely. In addition, the terms and clinical guidelines are not the same as those in the UK.

The index is very comprehensive, however, the book could benefit from a glossary of terms for quick reference. A useful appendix could be added that provides checklists for dental practitioners, as well as examples of information

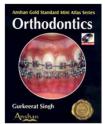
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that should be provided to patients by clinicians.

The editors fulfil their aim of providing a basis of clinical paediatric dentistry, however, if comprehensive detail is required on a topic, further reading would be required. This book will be useful to undergraduate students looking for a concise and clear introduction to various aspects of paediatric dentistry and to qualified dentists wishing to refresh their memory on clinical procedures and information.

A. S. Kalsi

#### MINI ATLAS OF ORTHODONTICS



G. Singh UK: Anshan price £19.99; pp 148 ISBN 9781905740390

This pocket books preface indicates that this book is suitable for clinicians and also useful as a visual aid for patients. It comes with a mini CD-ROM inside the rear cover which on viewing contains all the photos within the book.

Due to the very nature of being a pocket book, the information has been simplified. The seven chapters do not follow a typically logical order, starting with aims of treatment. This is followed by treatment options and only then normal occlusion/classification of malocclusion is explained. Important subjects such as the impaction of canines have been omitted.

The book mainly consists of photographs with brief descriptive text. The photographs, including those on the CD-ROM show many different malocclusions, aetiological factors which could be useful in patient consultation. However, one of the post treatment photographs shows a patient who has not had the restorative work completed on their anterior teeth so I would hesitate in showing this to a patient. Some of these photographs are slightly blurred.

This subject of orthodontics is so vast that it is not possible for a pocket book to include all the necessary information to enable a clinician to carry out orthodontic treatment or even for assessment prior to referral. Therefore I would not recommend it to clinicians. Overall the book could be useful for dental assistants who need to know some of the terminology of orthodontics and for patient communication in order to show them some possible scenarios with before and after treatment results.

E. Bryniarska

### IMPLANT AND REGENERATIVE THERAPY IN DENTISTRY: A GUIDE TO DECISION MAKING



P. A. Fugazzotto UK: Wiley-Blackwell price £69.99; pp 434 ISBN 9780813829623

This is a beautifully illustrated 400 page hardback American textbook with more than 700 clinical photographs. The editor is a full-time clinical practitioner specialising in periodontics and implant surgery. The contributors come from as far afield as Spain, Australia and Italy and have diverse backgrounds: scientific research, private clinical practice and university professorships.

The book is aimed towards the experienced clinician already undertaking implant surgery. It is not a reference book on the science and fundamentals of implant techniques; it assumes core knowledge and complements existing practice, supporting the surgeon through development of their techniques. It is divided into 13 chapters covering, for example, guided bone regeneration, surgical planning of partially dentate cases, immediate single tooth implant placement and full arch immediate loading. Chapters are dedicated to the management strategies for augmentation of the posterior maxilla, furcated involved mandibular molars and alveolar bone preservation after tooth extraction.

Each chapter is impressively illustrated with clinical photographs, radiographs, CT scans and images of the associated laboratory techniques. Most chapters contain up to a dozen detailed case reports with supporting start to finish clinical views. These images act as excellent references and will inspire the less experienced operator. There are extensive references at the end of each chapter.

The book aims to assist the surgeon with problem solving and to this end provides many decision-making algorithms and treatment planning exercises. The algorithms are in the form of simple flow charts and the exercises give tabulated advantages and disadvantages of each treatment option.

The book is worthy of study by all implantologists and the combination of photographic clinical series, tables and flow diagrams will ensure it will appeal to many.

G. Ainsworth