Book Review

CLINICAL NEUROPATHOLOGY: TEXT AND COLOR ATLAS

by Catherine Haberland, 320 pp., Demos Medical Publishing, 2006, \$89.95

An entertaining and complete neuropathology book should appeal to both clinicians and pathologists. A book that allows a person to go through the pathologic basis of neurologic conditions in an easy to read fashion is a very good addition to a library. *Clinical Neuropathology* manages to communicate the subject in a concise, organized, and well presented manner. The book holds updated information on all major categories of neurologic disease. It covers both the clinical aspects as well as the disease mechanisms and molecular and genetic pathology, all in the context of classic neuropathology descriptions.

The book is divided into 14 chapters. The first chapter serves as an introduction to anatomy and pathologic techniques. The next chapter reviews the changes and responses seen in diseases of the nervous system. The following chapters encompass all major categories of neurologic disease and

also include discussions on congenital malformations and fetal and perinatal pathology.

The information in every chapter is presented in an easy to follow format. Available in each chapter are several tables, figures, and pictures of gross pathology and histology which complement the clinical and pathologic descriptions. The quality of the pictures is very good and both the tables and figures accomplish the objective of highlighting important information. Each chapter finishes with some multiple choice questions that further emphasize key points in the previous discussion.

The book's print quality is also adequate although the pictures are sometimes a little small. The quality of the information presented is excellent and the manner of writing is entertaining to read. Overall, I can recommend *Clinical Neuropathology* for neurology and psychiatry residents and anyone else interested in neuropathology. The book can serve as a useful examination review and also as a quick reference source in everyday practice.

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