

Paediatrics in the Tropics

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This book brings together a wide range of subjects which are of importance in paediatric practice in the tropics and the sub-tropics, presented by authors who are internationally recognized experts in their fields. It includes important aspects of neonatology that range from problems such as tetanus neonatorum, pre-natal infections, and low birth weight associated with poor obstetric practice, to the respiratory distress areas where modern obstetrics are practised. There are contributions on nutrition and growth and development; selected topics in gastroenterology including immunologically mediated disorders related to changing infant feeding practices; anaemia in children, with special reference to inherited blood disorders; a range of infectious diseases including the relatively recently reorganized problems of lassa fever, ebola virus infections, and dengue haemorrhagic fever; and the persistent problems of malaria, tuberculosis, leprosy, and parasitic infestations. Conditions such as leukaemia and other malignant diseases, diabetes in childhood, renal disease and venomous bites, which pose special and peculiar problems in diagnosis and management, have also been included. Finally, an account of zoonotic disease and chapters dealing with newer concepts in delivering health care provide a reminder of the need to adapt clinical practice to environmental circumstances and community needs.

The book is intended for doctors in paediatrics practice in developing tropical countries who because of their heavy service commitments, academic isolation, or limited access to libraries experience difficulty in keeping abreast of current thinking in relation to their professional and academic activities. It aims to provide readers with an opportunity to revise and upgrade their knowledge of paediatrics in the light of scientific advances and new approaches to medical care which have occurred in recent years. Illustrated £20 *Oxford Medical Publications*

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