Book Reviews

Gastrointestinal Radiology

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This is a small book consisting of 200 pages, presenting gastroenterology in an atlas format. It should have been subtitled as: A Concise Descriptive Atlas. Various types of barium studies constitute the great majority of this book comprising 250 figures, which is 75% of the total illustrations. The rest of the illustrations were assigned to CT and plain films. Ultrasound examinations and nuclear scan are not included.

From the above, one could easily appreciate that this is far from being a textbook of gastrointestinal radiology. Rather, it seems to be a good record of the experience of the author.

The topics follow the conventional classical anatomical classification starting from the esophagus and ending with the colon. An additional chapter on generalized disorders is placed at the end.

The reproduction of illustrations are of very high quality with a clear and concise description.

Radiology trainees, advanced medical students, physicians and surgeons interested in gastroenterology will enjoy reading this book.

The author should be congratulated on the success of bringing balanced discussions to this broad range of topics.

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