

BOOK REVIEW

Lymphography in Malignant Tumors (Lymphographie bei malignen Tumoren) ed. by *M. Lüning, M. Wiljasalo and H. Weissleder*: Leipzig, VEB Georg Thieme Verlag 1976 (in German).

This volume covers all aspects of lymphography in malignant diseases including very specialized techniques such as cervical, retrosternal and breast lymphography. Introductory chapters are dealing with the anatomy of the lymphatic system, various techniques of lymphography, contrast media, and vital dyes. Of special interest to the practising lymphographer is a comprehensive review of contraindications and possible complications.

The main portion of the book is devoted to metastatic lymph node involvement. Here, the reader finds as well a concise general survey of direct and indirect signs of metastatic disease as up to date informations on diagnostic accuracy and incidence of lymph node metastases in different organ cancers.

Lymphographic findings in systemic disorders and in benign lymph node diseases are also discussed in detail. Supplementary examinations such as tomography, and fluoroscopically guided lymph node biopsy, and a chapter on endolymphatic therapy with radionuclides complete this monograph.

This book is clearly written and well organized. Although contributions are made by 29 authors one senses the harmonizing work done by the editors to let it appear as of one mould.

Unfortunately, the quality of reproduction of roentgenograms is not as good as a book of it's scientific content would deserve. In future editions one should adhere to either pure negative or pure positive reproductions of roentgenograms. Fig. 99 must be upside down. The chapter on technique of lymphography seems to depict relatively one-sided the situation in Berlin. If English editions are planned other modifications of standard lymphographic technique need to be mentioned.

In spite of these critical remarks this book is a welcome addition to the medical literature. It's bibliography is succinct and quite up to date. At least in the European countries it is very likely to become a standard reference book.

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF LYMPHOLOGY FORTHCOMING CONVENTIONS

12th Congress of the European Society for Surgical Research

The 12th Congress of the European Society for Surgical Research will be held in *Warszawa* / Poland, April 23-27, 1977 (note the changed dates).

Scientific programme: shock and metabolism, microcirculation, coagulation and fibrinolysis, tumors: immunology and chemotherapy, transplantation, lymphology, neurology, pathophysiology and surgery, endocrinology, bio-engineering and surgical monitoring.

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2nd Congress of the European Society of Cardio-Vascular Radiology

The 2nd Congress of the European Society of Cardio-Vascular Radiology will be held on May 25-27, 1977, in Uppsala, Sweden.

The topics of the Congress will be

- Contrast Agents in Angiology - Modern Trends
- Densitometry and Videodensitometry
- Cardiac Tumors
- Diagnostic Yield of Angiography

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VI International Congress of Lymphology

General Information

The Congress will be held at the Hotel Inter-Continental, Praha 1, from June 20-25, 1977

Main topics

1. Methods of investigation in lymphology
2. Lymphangiopathies