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ATLAS OF ANGIOGRAPHY

K. E. Loose and R. J. A. M. van Dongen, Acton, MA, Publishing Sciences Group, 1976, 360 pp, \$69.00

This book does not pretend to be a complete text on angiography. There is no detailed discussion of the variety of contrast agents available, no comparison of angiographic equipment, and no information about radiographic technique. However, this volume was prepared as a basic atlas of pathology in angiography, and these shortcomings are minor distractions at best.

While the phlebography section includes some excellent charts of normal anatomy for comparison, the more complex subject of pathology of the arterial system of the brain lacks any form of normal comparison. No correlation is made with ultrasound, coaxial tomography, or nuclear medicine techniques. However, wherever possible, pathology specimens are included. In particular, there is a very good description of abnormal patterns demonstrated by lymph angiography.

The great strength of this presentation lies in the

excellent choice of cases, illustrated by technically superb angiograms which are faithfully reproduced. All abnormalities are clearly visible, well marked, and concisely described.

Rare conditions and technical refinements are not presented. The strength of this publication lies in its attention to common angiographic abnormalities, classical cases of which are presented without controversy.

This is an extremely useful guide for the radiology resident beginning his angiography rotation. It will also be welcomed by medical students as a guide to the abnormal anatomy of the vascular system, and should be appreciated by angiography technicians. A copy of this text would be a valuable reference for daily use in any angiographic suite and as a teaching guide in all branches of radiology and clinical medicine.

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