**Book Reviews**

M. Eugene Tardy, Robert Brown  
*Principles of Photography in Facial Plastic Surgery*  
Thieme, Stuttgart 1992  
VIII + 87 pp.; 111 fig.; 329 ill.; DM 148.-  
ISBN 3-13-661301-5  
Clear and uniform pre- and postoperative photographs allow the plastic surgeon to plan carefully and assess his work accurately in all fields of medicine. Documentation for accurate record keeping has been elevated to a level of importance. Standard photographs are no longer an aesthetic adjunct to proper treatment but have become mandatory, particularly with respect to medico-legal purposes. This monograph provides practical guidelines and techniques in a simplified and straightforward manner for creating standard and uniform photographs of consistently high quality. It represents an important, instructive source of information for all those who are practicing head and neck, plastic and reconstructive surgery.

C.R. Pfaltz, Basel  
Michael E. Groher  
*Dysphagia*  
Diagnosis and Management, ed. 2 Butterworth Heinemann, Oxford 1992 XIII+ 350 pp.; E40.-  
Dysphagia is a widely spread manifestation of a disease on which most diversified diagnoses are based. It is the very manifold symptoms which commonly establish a great number of medical examinations, and this vast variety of problems elucidates the necessity for advice regarding the diagnosis and therapy of dysphagia. The edition in question differentiates clearly if not comfortably the mechanical and neurological aspects of dysphagia, and in addition to the demonstration of diagnostic possibilities even considers rehabilitation measures and the nutrition of patients who are faced with long-term disorders of swallowing. The individual comments, centering around sharply focused problems, are clearly and distinctly set up affording the reader a generous summary on scientific endeavours to cope with and master the more and more frequently arising symptoms of dysphagia. In the final chapter of the book the author points out the necessity of an intermedical diagnosis and therapy programme, giving information and detailed specifications on how to organize such a programme in order to save patients from having to experience an odys-see through the vast number of medical faculties. This edition is to be recommended to physicians, rehabilitation therapists and members of the nursing service.

R. Kau, Munich  
Antonia B. Maxon, Diane Brackett  
*The Hearing Impaired Child*  
The book addresses the management of children with hearing impairment, from birth through school age (0-21 years). The two authors, who work at the Department of Communication Sciences in Connecticut (Storrs) and at the Communication Department of the New York League for the Hard of Hearing, deal with the most important aspects of the therapy of hearing-impaired children. The topic is discussed chronologically in correspondence with the age (from hearing-impaired infants and toddlers up to preschoolers and school-age, including high-school years). Hearing aids, cochlear implants, assistive devices are described as well as hearing/speech training and psychosocial, familial and cultural issues. At the end of the monograph, special aspects of conductive, mild, and unilateral hearing loss are presented. Each chapter is completed by a review of the literature according to recent knowledge. Figures and numerous tables help to understand the concepts presented in this book. The monograph is especially addressed to speech and language pathologists and all those who work in the education of hearing-impaired children. The 183 pages of the book provide an informative and comprehensive survey of the therapeutic possibilities of hearing-impaired individuals in preschool and school age. The comments mainly correspond to the practice in the European countries. Therefore, the book can be recommended to all those who are interested in the rehabilitation of the hearing-impaired child.

Gerhard Böhme, Munich

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