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Urological Emergencies in Hospital Medicine

This book provides an up to date guide to the diagnosis and management of urological emergencies, and the audience is wide, including medical students, junior doctors, specialist registrars, emergency doctors and specialist nurses. Also, it is implemented as course material in the Practical Skills in Emergency Urology (UroEmerge) course, successfully introduced in the United Kingdom (UK) by the authors. In the light of diminished coverage of urology in the medical school curriculum and early years of training, this book provides a concise yet comprehensive guide to the diagnosis and management of urological emergencies, accounting for 25% of all surgical emergencies.

The book is composed of 15 chapters, each focusing on different clinical scenarios, making it an easy-to-explore publication. For instance, if a specific topic is to be read, adequate information can be gained by reading merely one chapter without the need to skim through others. The writing style is concise, clear and coherent. Each subject includes a

brief introduction, aetiology and patho-physiology, clinical presentation and clear description of management options. The description of certain sophisticated and specialised forms of management is perhaps a limitation. However, the comprehensive coverage represented by chapters on neuro-urology, pregnancy, nephro-urology and uro-radiology will attract the more experienced audience preparing for the FRCS(Urol) examination. Also, the key points sections, simplified diagrams and availability of references at the end of each subject are of great help and essential to facilitate further literature search.

The only points to be criticised are the absence of learning objectives and coloured print format mainly affecting the figures. In spite of that, presentation of a comprehensive guide in a low-cost (£29.99), 92-page, clearly written, paperback book is impressive. I would recommend *Urological Emergencies in Hospital Medicine* for those interested in urology or trying to build on their current urological knowledge as an invaluable and precious reference.