

Books Received

CHILDHOOD HEADACHE. 2002. Edited by Ishaq Abu -Arafah. Published by Cambridge University Press. 200 pages C\$100 approx.

COLOR ATLAS OF MICRONEUROSURGERY OF ACOUSTIC NEURINOMAS. 2003. By Wolfgang T. Koos, Christian Matula, Johannes Lang. Published by Thieme. 340 pages C\$303 approx.

NEW TRENDS IN CEREBRAL ANEURYSM MANAGEMENT. ACTA NEUROCHIRURGICA SUPPLEMENT 82. 2002. Edited by Y. Yonekawa, Y. Sakurai, E. Keller, T. Tsukahara. Published by SpringerWienNewYork. 121 pages C\$125 approx.

PARKINSON'S DISEASE AND MOVEMENT DISORDERS. FOURTH EDITION. 2002. Edited by Joseph J. Jankovic, Eduardo Tolosa. Published by Lippincott Williams & Wilkins. 704 pages C\$185 approx.

PREDICTION IN FORENSIC AND NEUROPSYCHOLOGY. 2003. Edited by Ronald D. Franklin. Published by Lawrence Erlbaum Associates. 311 pages C\$49.50 approx.

PROGNOSIS OF EPILEPSIES. 2003. Edited by Pierre Jallon, Anne Berg, Olivier Dulac, Allen Hauser. Published by John Libbey Eurotext. 344 pages C\$180 approx.

RESEARCH AND PUBLISHING IN NEUROSURGERY. ACTA NEUROCHIRURGICA SUPPLEMENT 83. 2002. Edited by Yucel Kanpolat. Published by SpringerWienNewYork. 135 pages C\$125 approx.

TEXTURE OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM OF MAN AND THE VERTEBRATES, VOLUME III. 2002. Edited by Pedro Pasik and Tauba Pasik. Published by Springer WienNewYork. 663 pages C\$266 approx.

THE CEREBELLUM AND ADAPTIVE CONTROL. 2002. By John S. Barlow. Published by Cambridge University Press. 340 pages C\$122 approx.

THE CLINICAL MANAGEMENT OF EARLY ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. 2003. Edited by Reinhild Mulligan, Martial Van der Linden, Anne-Claude Juillerat. Published by Lawrence Erlbaum Associates. 348 pages C\$90 approx.

THE INFANT AND FAMILY IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY. 2002. Edited by Joao Gomes-Pedro, J. Kevin Nugent, J. Gerald Young, T. Berry Brazelton. Published by Brunner-Routledge. 344 pages C\$122 approx.

WHY WE SEE WHAT WE DO: AN EMPIRICAL THEORY OF VISION. 2002. By Dale Purves, R. Beau Lotto. Published by Sinauer Associates. 263 pages C\$65 approx.

WORKING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE IN SECURE ACCOMODATION. 2002. By Jim Rose. Published by Brunner-Routledge. 202 pages C\$40 approx.

Book Reviews

A FIRST STEP – UNDERSTANDING GUILLAIN BARRÉ SYNDROME. 2002. By Brian S. Langton. Published By Trafford. 363 pages. C\$39.99 approx.

I read "A First Step" by Brian S. Langton with pleasure. This is a book about a patient who suffered severe Guillain-Barré syndrome (GBS) with widespread axonal damage. He was a resident of an Intensive Care Unit for some months prior to discharge to a rehabilitative facility, then home. All physicians, nurses and others looking after GBS patients should consider the perspectives raised in this book. Mr. Langton correctly points out that it is a very unique and terrifying perspective for patients. He also makes the point that patients with GBS should never be considered to be in the same category as those with "quadriplegia" from spinal cord disease or other problems. There may be retained sensations or painful dysaesthesiae. The first portion of the book outlines the patient's thoughts through the course of his illness and daily records that his wife kept of his progress. The second half of the book is more light-hearted and is really a series of short anecdotes of dreams the patient had while "locked in" with GBS. It is definitely an interesting point of view for health care providers to consider. While we may think of

these issues, we don't always remember and such a vivid reminder can be a wake-up call. Thanks to Mr. Langton for retaining the energy, after suffering through such a devastating disorder to put together some comments that may help future patients.

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HEADACHE AND MIGRAINE IN CHILDHOOD AND ADOLESCENCE. 2002. Edited by Vincenzo Guidetti, George Russell, Matti Sillanpää, Paul Winner. Published by Martin Dunitz. 502 pages. C\$147.54 approx.

This is a superb book. It is the most comprehensive of a group of recent books on childhood headache. The book is divided into 12 sections, beginning with a thoughtful introduction by Drs. Guidetti and Galli. The second section, which deals with the pathophysiology of headache, reviews in three chapters the neurophysiology, neurochemistry and pharmacology of childhood headache.

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