



## BOOK REVIEW

## The WHO Manual of Diagnostic Imaging, Radiographic Anatomy and Interpretation of the Musculoskeletal System

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This manual is one of a series of 'WHO manuals of Diagnostic Imaging' for health care personnel, particularly in hospitals and institutions with limited imaging equipment and radiological expertise. It is often forgotten that even in the most advanced imaging departments, 70-80% of all clinically relevant questions may be solved by using the two main cornerstones of diagnostic imaging, which are radiography (X-ray) and ultrasonography.

The manual is well illustrated with numerous examples of common musculoskeletal pathologies and injuries. The illustrations are clear and well annotated. Approximately half the manual is taken up with normal radiographic anatomy and a large section on skeletal trauma. The trauma section is well laid out and covers the majority of common skeletal and joint injuries with useful line diagrams where necessary.

The remaining half of the book deals with infection, arthritis, endocrine and haemopoietic disorders. There are also short sections on tumours, congenital and developmental disorders.

The text is clear and concise and laid out in a point form format, making for easy reading. A minor criticism is that some of the radiographic anatomy is complex, particularly as regards the skull and spine.

The manual covers a very large field in a concise and practical manner and will be of great benefit to medical practitioners, radiographers, medical students and even registrars in radiology starting off their studies. At an approximate Rand price of R600.00, it may however be financially out of reach for many of the readers at which the publication is targeted.

Alan Scher

## IN MEMORIAM

## Godfrey Phillips Charlewood

Goff, as he was popularly known, will always be remembered for his gentle nature and his wonderful sense of humour. He was a brilliant surgeon, gynaecologist and obstetrician and he enjoyed a lengthy career, much loved by his patients, colleagues

and the medical students he loved to teach.

He was born in Greytown, Natal, and he matriculated at Hilton College from where he went to the University of Cape Town where he obtained his medical degree. Soon after qualifying he joined Britain's Indian Medical Service and worked there for 14 years. He went to Britain to complete his specialist qualifications as a gynaecologist and also as a general surgeon, obtaining a Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons.

During the second world war he served as a surgeon with the Indian army on the major battle fronts and ended up with the rank of Lt Colonel.

He and his Scottish-born wife, the former Margaret Sutherland, remained in India until the final days of the British Raj in 1947, when they and their three children returned to South Africa.

After a stint at Baragwanath Hospital he went into private practice with well-known gynaecologist Dr Alan Boyd in Johannesburg. Later Drs Louw van Rooyen and Leon van Dongen joined this practice. Goff held a consultant's post at the Johannesburg Hospital which involved the training of registrars. He was a founder member of the College of Medicine of South Africa and he later became President of the Southern Transvaal branch of the South African Medical Association.

After 27 years of marriage his wife Margaret died of cancer. Later he married his second wife, the former Carole Brink, and this marriage lasted for just under 40 years. Goff and Carole had 2 children – Richard and Lucy. By the time he died at the age of 94, Goff had 9 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Goff Charlewood will never be forgotten.

Professor LGR van Dongen

## Fanny Ethel Meltzer



Dr Fanny Ethel Meltzer (née Awerbuck) died from renal failure in Benoni on 18 April 2003. She was in general practice in Benoni from 1943 to 1994. She was born in Kimberley in 1908 and obtained her medical qualification at the University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg in 1941. She attended schools in Kimberley and Wellington and matriculated at Kimberley Girls High

School in 1925. She later trained as a school teacher at the Kimberley Teachers' Training College and taught for 6 years in the Cape Province. In 1934 she met and married Emanuel Meltzer, who had recently qualified and set up in general practice in Benoni. He encouraged her to retrain as a doctor