

BOOK REVIEW

Opthalmic Drug Delivery Systems
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This book fulfills a long-felt need. Those of us with a professional interest in the design and evaluation of pharmaceutical products for opthalmic purposes are going to use this book on many occasions. NO, it is not a book that many readers will read from cover to cover although many might benefit from such an endeavor. It is more likely that readers will dip into it when then feel the need for an authoritative and lucid treatment of some facet of this important topic. The editor appears to have given considerable thought to producing a multi-author book which provides in logical sequence a comprehensive survey of opthalmics. There are three useful chapters in Part I (Fundamental Considerations) which are likely to be especially useful for a neophyte. Part II has five sound chapters on transport models. This is followed by a single chapter on Traditional Corneal Delivery Systems. Part IV comprises five exciting chapters on Advanced Corneal Delivery Systems whilst Part V has one chapter on Chemical Delivery Systems. The three chapters of Part VI (Novel Drug Delivery Systems) offer some stimulating insights into new possibilities Part VII has two chapters on Nova Corneal Drug Delivery. The two chapters of part VIII cover Ocular Dynamics of Peptides and Proteins. Finally in Part IX there is a chapter on Regulatory Aspects.

This book is well produced and will be an essential resource for those involved in Opthalmic Drug Delivery.

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