

BOOK REVIEW

Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs - Mechanisms and Clinical Uses

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This is the second edition of a book first published in 1987 since which date there have, of course, been many significant advances in this most important field. The twenty-four chapters in this book cover a variety of important topics on non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs and there are nine chapters which are individually focused on the properties on some potential new N.S.A.I.D.'s. Chapters are generally clearly written, although there are occasional minor stylistic problems. For example, on page thirty-one there is reference to "paracetamol" which drug name may be obscure to many readers. Most chapters have a plethora of adequate references, in some cases as late as 1993, however, for some chapters recent references are somewhat lacking.

Readers may wonder why some topics, e.g. Regulatory and Clinical Aspects of the Role of Chirality for NSAID's has not been given more coverage, however, it is probable that many readers will find the book's focus to be professionally useful.

This book is an essential purchase for the library of any institution which is concerned with research or clinical use of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs.

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