Book Review

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Periodontology: the essentials (2003)

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This very concise, yet comprehensive book covers almost the entire field of periodontology and is both a valuable source of information relevant to clinical periodontics and a compact update on new knowledge and recent developments in periodontal research. The book deals with periodontal biology, pathology, diagnostics and treatment, which are broken down into 13 chapters in a total of only 184 pages. There is, however, no reference to the orthodontic–periodontal interrelationship. Two hundred and forty-one partly coloured illustrations and

33 tables are used very effectively. The text is almost laconically to the point. Ideal as lecture notes for somebody studying periodontology for the first time, the book would also suit a non-periodontist wishing, in a quick manner, to refresh old knowledge on the subject, or just as a fast reference to a periodontal question arising in a clinical situation. For €45, this book is definitely excellent value for money.

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