

BOOK-REVIEW

Cancer and Precancer of the Cervix

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This book is a welcome addition to publications on the subject of cervical cancer and its precursors. It is certainly a turn - of - the century book and chronicles all the developments credited to the 20th Century. Much research has been done on this subject and today we are in a position to understand molecular Biology, Immunology Virology in addition to Cytology and Pathology of this disease.

This book is a multi author publication. Each author is an Internationally known expert in the field. The editors have drawn upon the experience of workers not only in UK but from Europe, USA and Australia. Cervical Cancer is a global issue. However as the Editors have said in the preface, the disease today afflicts mostly the women in the "least economically developed areas of the globe" as has also been eloquently said, this knowledge needs to reach those areas and serve the interests of those needy women.

This book will serve, as a reference manual for all those interested in the subject in India the problem of cervical cancer looms large. Practicing Gynaecologists see the tragic late cases and feel helpless. This book will remind them of what is possible and how important it is to achieve early diagnosis.

The book has an attractive get up. Colour photographs are few. The experience of the developing world is limited to one author from South Africa.

It is a recommended buy for all the Libraries of Medical Colleges and Cancer Institutes in India.

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