## **BOEKBESPREKINGS: BOOK REVIEWS**

## BRONCHOSCOPY

Diagnostic Bronchoscopy. An introduction. By P. Stradling, M.D. (Lond.), F.R.C.P. Pp. viii + 103. Illustrated. £3.1.11. Edinburgh and London: E. & S. Livingstone. 1968.

The distinction between the normal and the abnormal and the correct interpretation of the significance of the normal and the abnormal are the essential aims of bronchoscopy, and form the basis of this excellent book.

The text is short and concise. The author, however, makes use of numerous colour photographs which are clearly explained by accompanying diagrams of the outline of the tracheobronchial tree and of the bronchoscopic field in question.

Experience gained by the author during many bronchoscopic examinations is condensed in such a way that it almost conveys to the student the information which would have been gained by personal bronchoscopy.

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## GASTRIC CYTOLOGY

Exfoliative Cytology of the Stomach. By D. D. Gibbs, B.A., D.M., M.R.C.P., D.C.H. Pp. x + 147. Illustrated. R5.60. London and Durban: Butterworths, 1968.

This little book comprises 60 pages of text and 130 illustrations. The value and limitations of gastric cytology are briefly explained and represent a very fair approach to the cytology of this field.

The book will be of interest to both doctors and technicians who are interested in this specialty. The pictures illustrate well the difficulties encountered in cytological diagnosis, although they fail from a teaching aspect unless the reader already has considerable cytological experience. The historical perspective of the subject is interesting and brief.

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