

Essentials of clinical infectious diseases

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Abstrak

This quick-reference handbook on clinical infectious diseases is intended for a broad medical audience. Written in outline format with 45 short focused chapters covering core infectious disease topics, the book provides a basic introduction to identifying and managing commonly encountered problems. Organized by system, each section begins with a general framework covering clinical presentation, laboratory and diagnostic evaluation, and empirical antibiotic therapy. Individual chapters within sections are devoted to particular problems and cover pathogenesis and risk factors, microbial causes, clinical manifestations, approach to the patient (history, examination, diagnostic studies), diagnostic criteria, and medical, antimicrobial, and surgical management.