Cushings Syndrome

The idea for this book developed as an outcome of a multidisciplinary symposium entitled "Pituitary Adenoma Update" that was held at Tufts-New England Medical Center in April 1977. The purpose of that symposium was to put together our current knowledge of the cause of pituitary tumors and discuss the diagnostic evaluation and management that was now appropriate, in light of the rapid advances that had taken place so recently in this area. Those of our colleagues who had presented papers at the symposium, as well as a number of others, were invited to contribute to this volume, which should serve as a presentation of the "state of the art" on all aspects of pituitary tumors. We felt that such a book would be of value to endocrinologists, neurosurgeons, neuroradiologists, and pathologists who are involved in the investigation or care of patients with pituitary disorders. For a number of reasons, a review of pituitary adenomas seems particularly timely. Rapid advances have taken place coincidentally in the fields of neurosurgery, neuroendocrinology, neuroradiology, neuropathology, and neuropharmacology. Seven major developments in these areas have occurred independently and almost simultaneously that have virtually revolutionized our approach to pituitary adenomas.

This unique 2-in-1 reference presents vital information on pathophysiology in two helpful ways on every page. The wide inner column contains detailed narrative text; the narrow outer column contains brief bulleted summaries of the same information. This format enables nurses to quickly scan the bulleted points and jump to in-depth information as needed without turning the page. Organized by body system, the book covers 220 diseases and disorders. Two 8-page full-color inserts illustrate selected disorders. Illustrations and flowcharts demonstrate abnormal structures and pathophysiologic processes. Icons highlight complications, life-threatening disorders, emergency interventions, and effects of treatment on disease processes.

Disorders associated with cortisol excess and insufficiency, although rare, deserve the attention of the entire medical community because of high associated morbidity and mortality. Both diagnosis and management of hypo- and hypercortisolism are challenging, and disease presentation, at both clinical and laboratory level is not always definite. New tools are available for non-invasive and early diagnosis, and the choice of treatment should be tailored to each patient to improve quality of life through the regulation of the levels and rhythm of hormonal secretion, while limiting complications associated with the disease and therapies. In this new volume, top experts have contributed chapters on the pathognomonic, epidemiological, clinical, radiological, and laboratory aspects of the various disorders associated with altered cortisol secretion. They also present information on still debated standpoints on management. Cortisol Excess and Insufficiency is a valuable reference book for those wishing to have a reasoned and broad overview of the pathophysiology and management of
disorders associated with hypo- and hypercortisolism.

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of trainees, clinicians, and practicing hospitalists at any stage of their career.

Hyperandrogenism profoundly affects women's lives from lowering self-esteem
to changing cognition and affective motivation. The polycystic ovary syndrome
(PCOS) is the most common androgen excess disorder worldwide. While it is not
the focus of this book, some aspects are discussed. The aim of this book is to
improve understanding of androgen excess and its impact on several conditions.
Topics include development of adipose tissue in females, insulin sensitivity,
congenital adrenal hyperplasia, and Cushing's disease/syndrome. There is also
discussion of PCOS with emphasis on in utero origins and specific genetic and
epigenetic factors. This book provides a wealth of relevant information for every
endocrinologist and gynecologist who wants to broaden their knowledge of
androgens in various conditions.

Cushing's Syndrome provides the reader with an update on the clinical
presentation, diagnosis, and treatment of patients with Cushing's syndrome.
Molecular mechanisms of pituitary and adrenal causes of Cushing's syndrome
are reviewed in detail. Successful diagnostic and treatment strategies that have
been employed by readers in the field are recommended and discussed.
Numerous advances in the pathophysiology and diagnosis of Cushing's
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The Cushing’s Syndrome Diet is filled with no nonsense recipes that will help control your Cushing’s Syndrome symptoms. While there are many treatment options for Cushing’s, only one is vital to insuring your overall health: a balanced, nutritional diet, low in salt and fat and high in protein and calcium. This type of diet can slow or prevent the loss of muscle and bone from Cushing’s Syndrome. You’ll find all of the recipes in this book provide you with maximum nutritional from plant sources-and they are quick and easy to prepare, so you can get back to living your life!

This thesis focuses on clinical and epidemiological aspects of aggressive pituitary tumours/carcinomas and Cushing’s disease. Pituitary carcinomas account for only 0.1-0.2% of the tumours originating from the anterior pituitary gland and are defined solely by the event of distant metastases, whereas aggressive pituitary tumours are defined by their clinical behaviour of rapid/progressive growth despite optimal treatment with surgery, radiotherapy and medical agents. The prognosis for individuals with aggressive tumours/carcinomas has been poor with few treatment options. However, case reports indicated better outcomes after treatment with the alkylating agent temozolomide. In study I and III, we investigated 24 patients (16 aggressive tumours and 8 carcinomas) given treatment with temozolomide. We found an initial response rate (tumour regression ≥30%) in 10/21 evaluable patients, with complete regression in two carcinomas. Favoured response was associated with low tumour expression of the DNA repair protein MGMT; in responders median 9% (range 5-20%) vs non-responders median 93% (50-100%). Our results also indicated a longer survival in patients with low MGMT. Out of 11 patients with MGMT >10%, nine died with an estimated median survival of 26 months (95% CI 14-38), whereas only 1/6 patients with lower MGMT died from tumour progression during a follow-up of median 83 months (range 12-161). One of the patients in study I and III had a corticotroph pituitary carcinoma and in addition, Lynch syndrome (LS), a hereditary cancer-predisposing syndrome caused by germline mutations in DNA mismatch repair (MMR) genes and primarily associated with colon and endometrial carcinomas. In study II, we investigated the characteristics of the pituitary carcinoma and found loss of MSH2 and MSH6 protein expression, consistent with the patient’s germline mutation in MSH2. This was the first published case of a pituitary tumour associated with LS. In addition, we identified all known Swedish patients with LS (n=910) and searched for diagnostic codes consistent with a pituitary tumour in the Swedish national patient register. We found in total three patients with clinically relevant pituitary tumours, the reported prevalence in the background population is around 1:1000. The last two studies in the thesis focused on Cushing’s disease (CD), i.e. an ACTH-secreting pituitary tumour resulting in excess levels of cortisol. CD is associated with multiple...
comorbidities and increased mortality. The reversibility of comorbidities and mortality risk after remission of cortisol levels have been under debate. Study IV examined psychiatric consequences of CD, measured by the use of psychotropic drugs. 179 patients with CD and a quadrupled matched control group were followed from diagnosis and at 5- and 10-year follow-up. We found that use of antidepressants remained at around 25% of patients with CD, regardless of remission status, at diagnosis and follow-up, whereas drugs for somatic comorbidities decreased. Use of antidepressants, sleeping pills and anxiolytics was higher in patients with CD compared to controls at diagnosis and 5-year follow-up. A cross-sectional analysis of 76 patients in sustained biochemical remission for median 9.3 years showed that 25% were taking antidepressants, a significantly higher use than controls, OR 2.0 (95% CI 1.1-3.8). In addition, patients with CD had a higher use of psychotropic drugs, already in the 5-year period before diagnosis. Study V investigated mortality and causes of death in 371 patients with CD, compared to a quadrupled matched control group. Follow-up was median 10.6 years (IQR 5.7-18.2) after time of diagnosis. Overall mortality was increased in patients with CD, HR 2.1 (95% CI 1.5-2.8) and remained elevated for patients in remission at last follow-up (n=303), HR 1.5 (1.02-2.2). For patients not in remission (n=31), HR was 5.6 (2.7-11.6). Cardiovascular diseases (32/66) and infections (12/66) were overrepresented causes of death in patients with CD. Main conclusions of the thesis: Temozolomide improves outcome in patients with aggressive pituitary tumours/carcinomas and a low MGMT expression in the tumour predicts a favourable outcome. As additional therapies evolve, MGMT may help to tailor the treatment. Germline mutations in MMR genes may contribute to the development and clinical course of pituitary tumours and may be a novel cause of hereditary pituitary tumours. Patients with Cushing’s disease have a high use of psychotropic drugs that remains elevated despite achievement of biochemical remission, suggesting persisting negative effects on mental health and highlighting the need for long-term monitoring of psychiatric symptoms. In addition, psychiatric symptoms may be early and important signs of CD. Efforts to achieve biochemical remission are crucial to reduce mortality in CD. However, patients in remission still have an increased mortality compared to controls. This underscores the need for life-long monitoring and treatment of associated comorbidities in patients with CD. This work includes Cushing’s description of his own method of operating on the pituitary. He was an outstanding neurological surgeon and added much to our knowledge of the pituitary body and its disorders. In Cushing’s Disease, leading authorities in the field offer a thorough review of the pathogenesis, diagnostic algorithm and treatment options for this complex disease. Beginning with a fascinating history of Cushing’s disease that outlines its historical significance to both endocrinology and neurosurgery, the book goes onto to cover the full range of important issues, including the molecular
pathogenesis of Cushing's, anatomic pathology, the diagnosis of Cushing's syndrome, the differential of pseudo-Cushing's syndromes, hypercortisolemia, surgical removal of the corticotroph adenoma, post-operative management and assessment of remission, radiotherapeutic options, and the exciting developments in medical therapy. In addition, the book also addresses Cushing's disease in the pediatric population, given that its clinical manifestations and impact on growth can be severe; silent corticotroph adenomas as a distinct clinical entity; diagnosis and management of Cushing's disease during pregnancy, bilateral adrenalectomy, and, finally, the long-term psychological manifestations of hypercortisolemia. Comprehensive and an invaluable addition the literature, Cushing's Disease is an essential reference for enhancing diagnosis and treatment of this debilitating disorder.

Cushing's syndrome is a rare disorder that is associated with many co-morbidities such as systemic hypertension, diabetes, osteoporosis, impaired immune function, and psychiatric disease, all of which severely reduce quality of life and life expectancy. This book reviews the role of cortisol in the human body, focusing on the effects of excess cortisol due to Cushing's syndrome as well as the role of the HPA axis in metabolism, inflammation, and neuropsychiatric function. The volume will cover basic mechanistic data, clinical outcomes data, and novel therapies. Also discussed are everything from abnormalities of the HPA axis, to the role of the HPA axis in the development of neuropsychiatric disorders and metabolic disorders, to new definitions of Cushing's remission and recurrence. The Hypothalamic Pituitary Adrenal Axis in Health and Disease will provide a comprehensive and multi-disciplinary review of the pathophysiology and outcomes of excess cortisol in the human body and brain as well as the role of the HPA axis in other disease states.

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Cushing's Disease: An Often Misdiagnosed and Not So Rare Disorder reviews the epidemiology of Cushing's, including statistics on the incidence and prevalence of this disease. There are discussions of the signs and symptoms and
the most common co-morbidities, such as diabetes mellitus, hypertension, osteoporosis, amenorrhea, and infertility. Surgical, medical, and radiotherapeutic treatments, including indications, results, risks, and complications, are reviewed. Also featured is a chapter on the patient’s perspective, coping with Cushing’s, quality of life, and psychosomatic issues. This book is essential reading for the wide range of physicians who treat patients with Cushing’s disease symptoms, as well as biomedical researchers who investigate the etiology and mechanisms of rare genetic diseases, in particular rare endocrine disorders. Reviews the basics of Cushing’s disease and its interrelation with hormones, the brain, and bodily functions. Includes chapters on diagnosis, surgical, medical, and radiotherapeutic treatments, and variations in presentation, including cyclical disease. Presents the cognitive and emotional aspects of Cushing’s and the long-term sequelae. Offers an important resource for physicians who are accustomed to treating individual symptoms rather than a disease complex. Reviews multidisciplinary management, and post-treatment management of Cushing’s, including recommendations for Cushing’s Centers of Excellence.

Cushing’s Syndrome: Pathophysiology, Diagnosis and Treatment reviews the difficulties in distinguishing Cushing’s syndrome from these and other common conditions, such as central obesity, menstrual irregularity and depression. It also provides state-of-the-art information on various strategies to establish the diagnosis of Cushing’s syndrome and the differential diagnosis among its diverse etiologies, as well as therapeutic approaches. Additionally, a range of conditions that represent challenges for the diagnosis and treatment—such as renal failure, pediatric age, cyclic hypercortisolism, and pregnancy—are covered in detail. A valuable resource not only for endocrinologists but also for internal medicine physicians, gynecologists, pediatricians, pituitary surgeons and urologists. Cushing’s Syndrome: Pathophysiology, Diagnosis and Treatment provides insights by experts that will help all physicians dealing with Cushing’s syndrome to expand their knowledge about the condition and provide targeted, comprehensive care.

What is the best exercise for a client with...cancer... diabetes... heart disease... or a hip replacement along with hypertension? Catherine Goodman, PT, MBA, and Kevin Helgeson, PT, DHSc, built on physical therapists’ extensive knowledge of pathology, physiology, and exercise to develop this evidence-based guide to enhancing their role in prevention and wellness, even for the medically compromised patient.

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In Adrenal Disorders, a panel of distinguished physicians and researchers select the most relevant new findings and integrate them into the existing body of clinical knowledge on adrenal pathologies. The book includes important reviews of disturbances in cortisol homeostasis, and new concepts regarding adrenal tumors and hereditary adrenal diseases. Also discussed are mineralocorticoids and the syndromes of mineralocortoid excess and aldosterone synthase deficiency. Authoritative and insightful, Adrenal Disorders provides physicians and scientists with a comprehensive, state-of-the-art practical guide to the devastating diseases of the adrenals that are so often difficult to diagnose and treat.

Hormonal dysfunction can have a major and often complex impact on all key components of the metabolic syndrome. This book comprises state-of-the-art reviews on the subject written by recognized experts in the field of endocrinology. Each chapter covers specific manifestations associated with the metabolic syndrome in classic endocrine diseases. Compelling questions are highlighted and future directions presented. The topics covered include hypopituitarism, adrenal insufficiency, acromegaly, glucocorticoid excess, androgen excess, hypogonadism, prolactin, and thyroid and parathyroid hormone abnormalities. This book is meant to inspire subsequent research related to metabolic complications in endocrine diseases, thus enabling early detection as well as prompt and appropriate management.

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This comprehensive textbook covers adult endocrinology, diabetes mellitus and paediatric endocrinology. It is specifically designed for the endocrinologist and diabetologist in training as well as for general physicians/specialists in other fields. This text addresses the need for a book specifically aimed at obstetric anesthesia and covers topics such as pulmonary, cardiac renal, hepatic, hematologic, neurologic, endocrine and other diseases. The real anesthetic challenge arises when patients present to Labor and Delivery with unusual or complicated medical problems and, in recent years, a few of the larger institutions have developed an Obstetric Anesthesiology Consultation Service to prepare for the management of these patients. While most pregnant women who present to Labor and Delivery require anesthetic intervention, they typically meet the anesthesiologist for the first time in labor. Since the majority of laboring women are healthy without significant comorbidities, this does not present much of a challenge to the anesthesiologist and the anesthetic management tends to be straight-forward with favorable outcomes. However, using this new model, the anesthesiologist has the opportunity to discuss the various treatment modalities and potentially suggest diagnostic testing to be performed prior to delivery, similar to the pre-operative testing that is done in other surgical environments.

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This book is designed to present a comprehensive and state-of-the-art approach to the management of adrenal neoplasms that provides a resource to the broad group of providers that will encounter such a patient. Sections address issues that are faced by providers who encounter a patient with an adrenal neoplasm. These areas include an overview of the genetic basis and familial cancer syndrome-associated with adrenal neoplasms, pathobiology, advanced and tumor specific imaging approaches and technologies, biochemical analysis, standard medical and surgical therapies, and emerging technology and treatment approaches to benign and malignant adrenal neoplasms. Written by experts in the field, each of these sections address level of clinical evidence and provide recommendations and treatment algorithms. Extensive illustrations make this an interactive text. Management of Adrenal Masses in Children and Adults will serve as a very useful resource for all providers dealing with, and interested in this common but challenging tumor. It will provide a concise yet comprehensive summary of the current status of the field that will help guide patient management and stimulate investigative efforts.

A practical approach to the field of androgen excess or deprivation in women’s health. The content includes multiple viewpoints on the most common disorders in this class, such as polycystic ovary disease, hirsutism and menopausal issues.
Each chapter provides a combination of long-lasting clinical principles in the diagnosis and management of these patients along with a state-of-the-art review. This text takes an innovative approach to uncommon conditions (such as congenital adrenal hyperplasia, transgender conditions). In addition to presenting clinical insights, and a review of the basic science underpinning these conditions, it focuses on key concepts that can be derived from these rare conditions to the entire field. This book is an essential addition to the library for any busy clinician who is looking for a practical reference guide but also for the sub-specialist who is looking for new and thought-provoking insights in this complex scientific area. Part of the popular SECRETS SERIES®, this all-new text provides essential, practical information for reviewing pathology commonly encountered in clinical situations. Organized by disorder type, it features numerous photos, a popular question-and-answer format, and a detailed index that makes it easy to find information quickly. In more than 50 chapters, expert contributors propose key questions and provide authoritative answers addressing the situations that confront small animal veterinarians every day. Comprehensive coverage of pathology is offered by a team of nationally recognized veterinary pathology experts. All of the most important "need to know” questions and answers are provided in the proven format of the acclaimed Secrets Series. More than 150 superior-quality photos highlight key concepts. A thorough, highly detailed index provides quick and easy access to specific topics.

This handbook in endocrinology and diabetes discusses clinical investigation and management in a convenient way, including both the protocols and explicit clinical information necessary for the management of individual patients. The unraveling of our knowledge of the functions of the adrenal gland constitutes one exciting development of modern medicine and biochemistry. We owe these advances to the felicitous cooperative efforts of the clinical investigator and the biochemist. Three centuries elapsed between the first recorded anatomical description of the adrenals and the demonstration by Dr. Addison in the mid-nineteenth century of the fatal results of the destruction of these glands by disease. It became evident from this observation that the adrenals secreted a "factor" or "factors" essential to life. It took approximately 90 years to isolate this elusive vital factor - cortisone - from beef adrenal cortices, independently by both Reichstein and his co-workers in Basle and Kendall and his group in the United States and another 10-15 years before it became more generally available for experimental and clinical use. It is perhaps difficult to believe that as recently as 35-40 years ago, before cortisone and cortisol were clinically available, the surgical removal of a benign adrenal cortical tumor in patients with Cushing's syndrome was associated with a prohibitive postoperative mortality rate. Within 12-36 h after operation, most of such patients developed an intractable state of shock, which was not manifested by significant electrolyte abnormalities or hypoglycemia and was unresponsive to the usual treatment for shock plus the generous use of salt-retaining hormone.
Endocrinology: Adult and Pediatric: Reproductive Endocrinology is a new eBook from the same experts responsible for the highly acclaimed two-volume Endocrinology clinical reference book. It puts all of the latest advances in adult and pediatric reproductive endocrinology at your fingertips, instantly accessible on your favorite eReader - so you can give your patients the benefit of today’s best know-how. Stay abreast of the newest knowledge in reproductive endocrinology, including endocrinology of sexual behavior and gender identity; genetic pathways that control gonadal development and sex differentiation; management of PCOS and hirsutism; management of male androgen deficiency; management of gynecomastia; and much more. Effectively review the causes and management of precocious or delayed puberty. Count on all the authority that has made Endocrinology, 6th Edition, edited by leading endocrinologists Drs. Jameson and DeGroot, the go-to clinical reference for endocrinologists worldwide. Consult this title on your favorite e-reader, conduct rapid searches, and adjust font sizes for optimal readability. Compatible with Kindle®, nook®, and other popular devices.

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Neurological and psychiatric disorders can occur in endocrine diseases either in the setting of the clinical manifestations of the same (i.e., hyper- or hypossecretion of hormones or peptides from the endocrine glands) or as events secondary to the pathogenetic mechanisms of the endocrinopathy (i.e., autommunity affecting endocrine glands and the brain). Also the medical or surgical treatment of the endocrine disease can sometimes determine the occurrence of neurological or psychiatric abnormalities. Moreover some genetic alterations can lead to syndromes affecting both the endocrine and the nervous system with a variety of possible manifestations. In the last couple of decades a number of associations between dysfunctions of the endocrine system and neurological or psychiatric manifestations have appeared and only in the minority of the cases this link has been fully elucidated. Often the neurological or psychiatric alterations still represent a relevant challenge for clinicians with regard to the management of
the patients. The complexity of the topic and the limited availability of laboratory research models for the study of the endocrine system-nervous system cross-interaction are making the scientific progresses intricate and, sometimes, slow. A dedicated focus to such broad and often still obscure topic might help and clarify the current state-of-the-art in the field and direct the goals of future research. This volume provides an “on-the-go” guide to the most common behavioral emergencies a physician may encounter. Each chapter represents a disease state or symptom cluster and concisely summarizes the disease state, provides background, symptoms and signs, differential diagnoses, and immediate and long-term treatment options. All chapters conclude with a diagnosis or treatment algorithm or another easy-to-use visual tool. Chapters named after a specific disease state or symptom cluster, arranged alphabetically for use in the field. The text begins with chapters covering patient evaluation: getting a good history, suicide risk assessment, physical exam, and when and how to use studies. Written by experts in psychiatry and emergency medicine, this text is the first to consider both medical perspectives in a concise guide. Quick Guide to Psychiatric Emergencies is an excellent resource for psychiatrists, emergency medicine physicians, residents, nurses, and other medical professionals that handle behavioral emergencies on a regular basis.

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