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Handbook of Pediatric Neurology

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This book fills a real need in neurology and pediatric neurology for a reasonably sized handbook that covers the entire field of pediatric neurology in reasonable depth but still fits into a large pocket. It covers virtually all of the major topics that present as emergencies, as well as including sections on neurodevelopment, sleep disorders, movement disorders, and headaches. New genes for pediatric neurology disorders are turning nearly every day, and this text gives excellent coverage of that area, with separate chapters on metabolic disorders, mitochondrial energy metabolism disorders, leukodystrophies, and common neurogenetic disorders. Epilepsy, neuroimaging, neuromuscular disorders, CNS malformations, neonatal neurology, neuro-oncology, behavioral neurology, and neuroimmunology are also covered.

The book is well written primarily by a Boston Harvard-based team of pediatric neurology experts and other national experts, and it is well edited by Katherine Sims and 3 associate editors, who have provided a uniform format including helpful tables, line drawings, and MRI images where appropriate. Useful algorithms for diagnosis and management of many disorders are presented, and recommendations for treatment are generally up to date. This volume should be very useful for both pediatric neurology attending physicians and residents as well as for pediatricians interested in neurology and adult neurology residents facing their 3-month immersion in pediatric neurology.

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