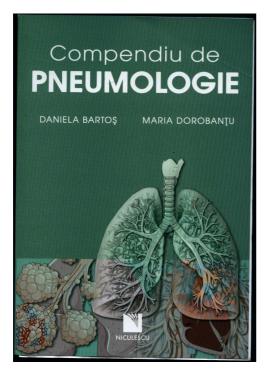


"COMPENDIU DE PNEUMOLOGIE"

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The real mission of a professor is to write books for students and his assistants in order to share his professional expertise with the next generations that, for sure, will have a professional model to follow up. Thus, the authors of this book, famous professors at Carol Davila University of Medicine and Pharmacy, present a detailed analysis of the pulmonary with regard to etiology, diseases, pathology, clinics, radiology therapeutics. The paper is based on an outstanding professional career gained over many years in the Emergency Hospital of Bucharest, with a large number of difficult cases, offering to the Romanian medical teaching a broad and unique base for study and research.

The complexity of the paper is suggested even by the title – compendium; the respiratory pathology is described in detail, joining the referral theoretical features from Romanian and international medical literature with examples from personal clinical cases.

The book is written in a gradually teaching manner, starting from simple concepts (available for young doctors) and continuing with more complex approaches (designated to experienced specialists in the field). As Professor D.

Bartos said, "the book is meant at the same time for students, interns and general practitioners", but also for others specialists crossing with this pathology.

The large target of this book is due to the outstanding importance of the pathology presented in the paper, because respiratory diseases represent one of the most important parts of internal medicine, useful at the same time for clinicians, surgeons and researchers. As an example, pneumothorax, diffuse interstitial pneumonitis, respiratory insuffiency etc represent chapters useful for surgeons, emergency and intensive care specialists, but also for cardiologists, specialists in pulmonary or infectious diseases.

The teaching value of the book is highlighted also by the algorithmic presentation of diagnosis and treatment for some diseases or syndromes. This type of presentations reflects a modern approach and thus, these algorithms become easy to be used, mainly for young doctors and students. The radiological diagnosis, sustained with examples from personal cases, give this paper an original overview which reflects an outstanding professional course of the authors.

Compendium of pneumology could be certainly considered as an important book that should be included in the armamentarium of any dedicated doctor. It should be also a practical guide in difficult cases and a "teaching book" for readers.

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