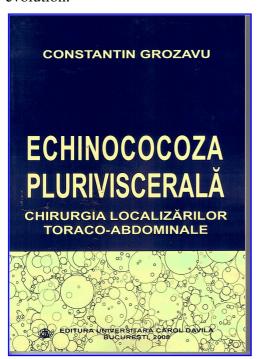
## Medical books

## "ECHINOCOCOZA PLURIVISCERALĂ. CHIRURGIA LOCALIZĂRILOR TORACO-ABDOMINALE"

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Due to the increasing incidence in our local geographic area, multi-visceral echinococcosis represents a parasitic disease which is nowadays in the main area of interests for clinical practice and research, having a potentially destructive evolution.



From this perspective, echinococcosis in this book is presented thorough personal opinions of the author regarding the diagnosis and therapeutical approach, taking also into consideration the most recent data from the literature.

Is it worthwhile to mention that this paper represents the author's personal experience, based on 84 patients diagnosed and treated for echinococcosis with different localizations, including rare diseases such as aorta, kidney or mediastinal hydatid cysts.

The paper has many illustrations reflecting the main operative steps and it has also a modern imaging iconography from the treated patients. Thus, the paper has a real teaching and scientific value.

From this reason, the book represents a practical and scientific guide that can be useful for general practitioners, surgeons, parasitologists, radiologists, gastroenterologists, pneumologists, medical students and even for experienced doctors because includes new and modern therapeutical approaches, in accordance with the international trends.

The author's intention is to give this book a teaching purpose, an idea supported by the fact that it was published at Carol Davila University Publishing House. On noticed, the lifetime experience of the author, as a clinical in-hospital practitioner, which we consider worthwhile to be known by future generations, which might take it as a professional, teaching and scientific model.

The value of the paper is mainly due to the chapters dealing with the diagnosis and therapy particularities of the multi-visceral synchronous or multiple echinococcosis, compared whit the features of the single localization disease. Another strong point of the paper is related to the presentation of the differential diagnosis of the hydatid disease along with the need for a multi-disciplinary approach in most of the cases. There are also mentioned proposals for diagnosis and therapy algorithms to be used in clinical practice, based on the clinicopathological particularities from the author's personal experience.

In conclusion, for Romanian medical literature, the book of Doctor C. Grozavu has a personal pattern, reflecting an experience which we consider worthwhile to be addressed to anyone who has an interest in this topic.

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