
Brucellosis. *M. Ruiz Castenada.* La Prensa Médica Mexicana, Mexico 7, D.F. 1954. xii + 302 pp. \$5.00 U. S. (\$52.00 Mex. Nat.).

This volume on human brucellosis consists of eleven chapters printed on 302 pages. There are 29 figures, 19 tables and 490 references to literature cited. Following each chapter there is an English summary of the content.

The initial chapter deals with the problem of brucellosis and is followed by a discussion of the bacteriological aspects of the genus *Brucella*.

Two chapters are devoted to the immunologic and hematologic studies on brucellosis. This is followed by a critical study of the most useful diagnostic procedures in diagnosing brucellosis.

In the discussion on the epidemiology of the disease it is concluded that an analysis of epidemiological statistics shows a great discrepancy in the collection of data.

A lengthy chapter of this volume is devoted to the clinical symptomatology and the effect of therapy with antibiotics on the disease in humans.

A chapter is devoted to histopathology and pathogenesis and an attempt was made to summarize available information gathered from past observations as well as from recent studies of specimens obtained by biopsies. These studies were based on observations in man and laboratory animals.

A summary is presented of the actual knowledge of chemotherapy, describing the various methods in accordance with the chronological order in which they appeared for the human.

The final chapter deals with the problem of control of human brucellosis. These controls are designed to interfere with the transmission of the infecting organism.

This volume on human brucellosis should be of interest to Spanish-speaking people working on the problem.

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