Treatment of skin disease, sixth edition

In this newest iteration of the perennial bestseller book, Drs Lebwohl, Heymann, Coulson, and Murrell continue to raise the bar in developing a practical and actionable go-to resource for the practicing dermatologists. This new sixth edition continues with the successful model of including a wide range of skin conditions—259 in all—along with a photograph, brief background, workup approach (specific investigations), and therapeutic suggestions. The treatment options include information on the level of evidence and are divided into first-, second-, and third-line approaches for better clinical utility. Beyond simply providing an algorithmic approach to management, the book stands out in the inclusion of a range of key references to support the treatment recommendations with short 1- to 3-sentence summaries of each reference.

“Treatment of skin disease” is an indispensable clinic companion; it is not a book to be kept pristine on a bookshelf but one to be used and consulted on a regular basis. This is a clinically critical volume for those caring for patients with dermatologic conditions and can also be used as a springboard to expand an individual clinician’s therapeutic approach.

As with all Elsevier titles, the book includes access to a comprehensive ebook through Inkling, which includes a convenient and fully searchable interface that can be accessed on both mobile devices and desktop computers, adding further value for the busy clinicians. Elsevier is slated to roll out a new interface for their ebooks imminently, which hopefully will only improve upon the real-world usefulness of this book that has become a go-to clinical reference for clinicians around the world.

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