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Individualized Drug Therapy for Patients: Basic Foundations, Relevant Software and Clinical Applications focuses on quantitative approaches that maximize the precision with which dosage regimens of potentially toxic drugs can hit a desired therapeutic goal. This book highlights the best methods that enable individualized drug therapy and provides specific examples on how to incorporate these approaches using software that has been developed for this purpose. The book discusses where individualized therapy is currently and offers insights to the future. Edited by Roger Jelliffe, MD and Michael Neely, MD, renowned authorities in individualized drug therapy, and with chapters written by international experts, this book provides clinical pharmacologists, pharmacists, and physicians with a valuable and practical resource that takes drug therapy away from a memorized ritual to a thoughtful quantitative process aimed at optimizing therapy for each individual patient. Uses pharmacokinetic approaches as the tools with which therapy is individualized Provides examples using specific software that illustrate how best to apply these approaches and to make sense of the more sophisticated mathematical foundations upon which this book is based Incorporates clinical cases throughout to illustrate the real-world benefits of using these approaches Focuses on quantitative approaches that maximize the precision with which dosage regimens of potentially toxic drugs can hit a desired therapeutic goal

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Written by practicing infectious diseases specialists at Mayo Clinic, this comprehensive, state-of-the-art publication covers current and essential clinical aspects of diseases likely to be encountered by the infectious disease specialist as well as to appear on the subspecialty infectious diseases board examination.

This up-to-the-minute reference explores the pharmacodynamics of antimicrobials as well as the absorption, distribution, metabolism, and elimination of the major classes of antimicrobials-covering new agents such as ketolide antibiotics and highlighting the pharmacodynamic relationship between drug concentration and antimicrobial activity, as well as the relationship of pharmacodynamics to bacterial resistance. Contains specific examples and practical applications for the design of effective dosing regimens! Written by recognized experts in the field, Antimicrobial Pharmacodynamics in Theory and Clinical Practice describes the pharmacodynamic properties of all major classes of antibiotics parameters for microbiological activity of antimicrobial agents such as minimal inhibitory concentration (MIC) and minimal bactericidal concentration (MBC) serum/tissue protein binding and penetration rates differences between in vivo and in vitro postantibiotic effects (PAE) and more! With nearly 1000 references, tables, drawings, and illustrations, Antimicrobial Pharmacodynamics in Theory and Clinical Practice is a state-of-the-art reference for infectious disease specialists, pulmonologists, pharmacists, pharmacologists, microbiologists, biological chemists, epidemiologists, internists, and students in these disciplines.

Over the past decade, significant progress has been made in the theory and applications of pharmacodynamics of antimicrobial agents. On the basis of pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic modeling concepts it has become possible to describe and predict the

time course of antimicrobial effects under normal and pathophysiological conditions. The study of pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic relationships can be of considerable value in understanding drug action, defining optimal dosing regimens, and in making predictions under new or changing pre-clinical and clinical circumstances. Not surprisingly, pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic modeling concepts are increasingly applied in both basic and clinical research as well as in drug development. The book will be designed as a reference on the application of pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic principles for the optimization of antimicrobial therapy, namely pharmacotherapy, and infectious diseases. The reader will be introduced to various aspects of the fundamentals of antimicrobial pharmacodynamics, the integration of pharmacokinetics with pharmacodynamics for all major classes of antibiotics, and the translation of in vitro and animal model data to basic research and clinical situations in humans. While advances in both the treatment of cancer and the management of its complications have led to significant improvement in patient survival, infections remain a significant cause of morbidity and mortality in patients with neo plastic disease. In this patient population, infection risk results from a complex interplay between the host's underlying immunodeficiencies, local tumor effects and treatment-induced immunosuppression. New chemotherapeutic approaches and antimicrobial prophylaxis and treatment practices continue to shape the spectrum of infections in these patients. Clinicians who treat infections in cancer patients are continually challenged by the emergence of new pathogens and by the increasing antimicrobial resistance of established ones. The aim of this book is to emphasize unique aspects of management of infectious diseases in the cancer patient. With the increasing complexity of this patient population, optimal management requires a multidisciplinary approach and this fact is fully reflected in the contributions, all from recognized authorities in the field. Ultimately, it is hoped that this volume will assist specialists in infectious diseases and haematology/oncology in the diagnosis, management and prevention of infection and optimization of the overall care of patients with malignancies.

It has been over 30 years since the first clinically important member of the quinolone class, nalidixic acid, was introduced into medical practice. The modification produced in the quinolone nucleus by introducing a fluorine at the 6-position led to the discovery of the newer fluoroquinolones with enhanced antibacterial activities as compared to nalidixic acid. By now a great deal of preclinical and clinical experience has been obtained with these agents. The intense interest in this class of antibacterial agents by chemists, micro biologists, toxicologists, pharmacologists, clinical pharmacologists, and clini cians in various disciplines encouraged us to summarize the information on the history, chemistry, mode of action and in vitro properties, kinetics and efficacy in animals, mechanisms of resistance, toxicity, clinical pharmacology, clinical experience, and future prospects in one volume of the Handbook of Experimental Pharmacology. As this series deals predominantly with "experimental" characteristics of drugs, our volume is dedicated specifically to quinolones and emphasizes principally their preclinical and clinical phar macological characteristics, despite the existence of several summaries on quinolones. The chemistry of the quinolones is described in detail. The chapter on the mode of action of quinolones reports the conclusive evidence that gyrase is the intracellular target of the quinolones; however, another enzyme, topoisomerase IV, may also be a target for quinolones, and the exact mechanisms by

which quinolones act bactericidally are far from being understood.

Quinolones constitute a large class of synthetic antimicrobial agents that are highly effective in the treatment of many types of infectious diseases, particularly those caused by bacteria. New quinolones are continually being developed as bacterial species develop resistance to existing quinolones. This book presents the most current information available in our continual struggle to conquer disease. Over time, bacteria become resistant to medicines that are used to combat them. Because of this, the medical world is always in search of new and improved ways to battle these disease-causing bacteria. Quinolones are at the forefront of this research. Edited by one of the world's foremost authorities on the subject, the third edition of this highly successful title will serve as a valuable tool for primary care physicians and researchers interested in a comprehensive, up-to-date reference on the chemistry, mechanisms of action, development of resistance, and clinical efficacy of both currently available and newer quinolone compounds under investigation. This is the eagerly anticipated fully revised edition of the standard reference in the field. Eagerly anticipated updated edition of noted title covering synthetic microbial agents that are useful against infectious disease, particularly those caused by bacteria Edited by one of the foremost experts in the field of quinolone research and infectious disease History of quinolones, chemistry & mechanisms of action, pharmacology, safety aspects Role of quinolones in treating various types of infections, including respiratory infections, gastrointestinal infections, urinary tract infections, prostatitis, STDs and bacterial meningitis as well as their use in immunocompromised patients

Fewer patients die in the hospital when pharmacists participate on hospital medical emergency teams (Bond 2007). This book is for hospital pharmacists who want to learn and refine the clinical skills necessary to be a valuable member of the hospital code blue / medical emergency team. Each chapter contains actionable, concise training on the role of the pharmacist during specific adult inpatient medical emergencies including: Code Blue Rapid Response Shock Sepsis Anaphylaxis Endotracheal Intubation Stridor Methemoglobinemia Massive Pulmonary Embolism Status Epilepticus Acute Agitation Severe Alcohol Withdrawal Opioid Overdose Hypertensive Emergency Severe Hyperthermia Hypoglycemia Hyponatremia from SIADH Hyperkalemia Emphasizing evidence-based therapy for critically ill or injured dogs and cats, *Small Animal Critical Care Medicine, 2nd Edition* puts diagnostic and management strategies for common disorders at your fingertips. It covers critical care medical therapy, monitoring, and prognosis — from triage and stabilization through the entire course of acute medical crisis and intensive care treatment. To make therapeutic decisions easier, clear guidelines address underlying clinical findings, pathophysiology, outpatient follow-up, and long-term care. From lead editors Deborah Silverstein and Kate Hopper, along with a Who's Who of experts from the veterinary emergency and critical care world, this comprehensive reference helps you provide the highest standard of care for ICU patients. Over 200 concise chapters are thoroughly updated to cover all of the clinical areas needed for evaluating, diagnosing, managing, and monitoring a critical veterinary patient. More than 150 recognized experts offer in-depth, authoritative guidance on emergency and critical care clinical situations from a variety of perspectives. A problem-based approach focuses on clinically relevant details. Practical, user-friendly format makes reference quick and easy with summary tables, boxes highlighting

key points, illustrations, and algorithmic approaches to diagnosis and management. Hundreds of full-color illustrations depict various emergency procedures such as chest tube placement. Appendices offer quick access to the most often needed calculations, conversion tables, continuous rate infusion determinations, reference ranges, and more. All-NEW chapters include Minimally Invasive Diagnostics and Therapy, T-FAST and A-FAST, Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome (SIRS), Multiple Organ Dysfunction Syndrome (MODS), Sepsis, Physical Therapy Techniques, ICU Design and Management, and Communication Skills and Grief Counseling. NEW! Coverage of basic and advanced mechanical ventilation helps you in deliver high-quality care to patients with respiratory failure. NEW! Coverage of increasingly prevalent problems seen in the Intensive Care Unit includes multidrug-resistant bacterial infections and coagulation disorders. NEW chapters on fluid therapy and transfusion therapy provide information on how to prevent complications and maximize resources. UPDATED coagulation section includes chapters on hypercoagulability, platelet function and testing, anticoagulant therapy, and hemostatic drugs.

Implement the most current science and practice in antimicrobial research. Now, find the newest approaches for evaluating the activity, mechanisms of action, and bacterial resistance to antibiotics with this completely updated, landmark reference. Turn to this comprehensive reference for groundbreaking evidence on the molecular link between chemical disinfectants, sterilants, and antibiotics. On the latest methods for detecting antibacterial resistance genes in the clinical laboratory, and antivirogram use to select the most active antiviral components against your patient's HIV.

This issue provides fully updated information on respiratory infections, including healthcare associated pneumonia, new diagnostic tests for pneumonia, epidemic viral pneumonia and other emerging pathogens, biomarkers to optimize antibiotic therapy for pneumonia, pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics to improve management of penumonia. Nosocomial tracheobronchitis and bronchiectasis are also discussed. Articles on CAP and VAP, including an examination of the impact of guidelines on outcomes, de-escalation therapy, inhaled antibiotic therapy and prevention of VAP are also included.

First published in 1995: Combining the established disciplines of pharmacokinetics (PK), the relationship between drug concentration and time, and pharmacodynamics (PD), the relationship between drug effects and concentration, this handbook examines the relevant relationship between drug effects and time.

This volume covers all aspects of the antibiotic discovery and development process through Phase II/III. The contributors, a group of highly experienced individuals in both academics and industry, include chapters on the need for new antibiotic compounds, strategies for screening for new antibiotics, sources of novel synthetic and natural antibiotics, discovery phases of lead development and optimization, and candidate compound nominations into development. Beyond discovery , the handbook will cover all of the studies to prepare for IND submission: Phase I (safety and dose ranging), progression to Phase II (efficacy), and Phase III (capturing desired initial indications). This book walks the reader through all aspects of the process, which has never been done before in a single reference. With the rise of antibiotic resistance and the increasing view that a crisis may be looming in infectious diseases, there are strong signs of renewed emphasis in antibiotic research. The purpose of the handbook is to offer

a detailed overview of all aspects of the problem posed by antibiotic discovery and development.

Preclinical Drug Development, Second Edition discusses the broad and complicated realm of preclinical drug development. Topics range from assessment of pharmacology and toxicology to industry trends and regulatory expectations to requirements that support clinical trials. Highlights of the Second Edition include: Pharmacokinetics Modeling and simula

This volume represents the proceedings of the 2013 International Conference on Innovation, Communication and Engineering (ICICE 2013). This conference was organized by the China University of Petroleum (Huadong/East China) and the Taiwanese Institute of Knowledge Innovation, and was held in Qingdao, Shandong, P.R. China, October 26 - November 1, 2013. The conference received 653 submitted papers from 10 countries, of which 214 papers were selected by the committees to be presented at ICICE 2013. The conference provided a unified communication platform for researchers in a wide range of fields from information technology, communication science, and applied mathematics, to computer science, advanced material science, design and engineering. This volume enables interdisciplinary collaboration between science and engineering technologists in academia and industry as well as networking internationally. Consists of a book of abstracts (260 pp.) and a USB flash card with full papers (912 pp.).

Here's the most clinically oriented critical care text focusing on the adult patient. In full-color and superbly illustrated with clinical photographs, imaging studies, and management algorithms, and with a broad multidisciplinary focus, this text will help you enhance your skills at any level of training. Stands alone as a clinically oriented comprehensive reference.

Completely updated and authorship expanded to reflect the evolution in critical care practice. In color for the first time, with new color schematics and treatment algorithms for greater ease of reference. Utilizes key points lists at the end of chapter, to help you make decisions rapidly and easily. Delivers key references that list other useful resources for information. Learn from the best ICU specialists worldwide with contributions from an increased number of international authorities. Effectively manage common complications in the ICU with updated coverage of severe sepsis, septic shock, surgical infections, neurogenic and anaphylactic shock, severe heart failure, acute coronary syndromes, and Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome. Access the complete contents online at Expert Consult, along with an image bank and instructional videos!

Here's the expert guidance practitioners need to diagnose and treat the most commonly encountered infections! This fully revised and updated New Edition keeps readers current with the latest etiologic agents, the most appropriate diagnostic tests, and the most effective management options. The 2nd Edition features new chapters on Antimicrobial Agents for the Primary Care Physician and Prosthetic Joint Infections.

This practical reference guide from experts in the field details why and how to establish successful antibiotic stewardship programs.

Completely updated and revised, *Clinical Tuberculosis* continues to provide the TB practitioner—whether in public health, laboratory science or clinical practice—with a synoptic and definitive account of the latest methods of diagnosis, treatment and control of this challenging and debilitating disease. New in the Fifth Edition: Gamma interferon-based

The two volumes included in *Antimicrobial Drug Resistance, Second Edition* is an updated, comprehensive and multidisciplinary reference covering the area of antimicrobial drug resistance in bacteria, fungi, viruses, and parasites from basic science, clinical, and epidemiological perspectives. This newly revised compendium reviews the most current research and development on drug resistance while still providing the information in the accessible format of the first edition. The first volume, *Antimicrobial Drug Resistance: Mechanisms of Drug Resistance*, is dedicated to the biological basis of drug resistance and effective avenues for drug development. With the emergence of more drug-resistant organisms, the approach to dealing with the drug resistance problem must include the research of different aspects of the mechanisms of bacterial resistance and the dissemination of resistance genes as well as research utilizing new genomic information. These approaches will permit the design of novel strategies to develop new antibiotics and preserve the effectiveness of those currently available. The second volume, *Antimicrobial Drug Resistance: Clinical and Epidemiological Aspects*, is devoted to the clinical aspects of drug resistance. Although there is evidence that restricted use of a specific antibiotic can be followed by a decrease in drug resistance to that agent, drug resistance control is not easily achieved. Thus, the infectious diseases physician requires input from the clinical microbiologist, antimicrobial stewardship personnel, and infection control specialist to make informed choices for the effective management of various strains of drug-resistant pathogens in individual patients. This 2-volume set is an important reference for students in microbiology, infectious diseases physicians, medical students, basic scientists, drug development researchers, microbiologists, epidemiologists, and public health practitioners.

This book provides an up to date review on antimicrobials dosing in obese patients, including practice recommendations for clinical use. The book is written by a group of doctors and pharmacists working in infectious diseases practice and research. The introductory chapter outlines the important physiological changes in obesity including factors affecting the dosing of antimicrobials in obese patients. The introductory chapter is followed by ten chapters covering the major classes of antibiotics, antifungals, and antivirals. Each chapter briefly discusses the pharmacokinetics changes related to obesity and a summary of the relevant up-to-date literature. Specific dosing recommendations are provided for each class supplemented by real-life examples as clinical cases that are included as an appendix to the book. The book is a useful resource for clinicians, students and researchers needing up-to-date information on antimicrobial dosing in obese patients. Doctors, pharmacists, nurses working in hospital settings, and students of health courses (medical, pharmacy

and nursing students) will find this book particularly useful.

The Annual Update compiles reviews of the most recent developments in experimental and clinical intensive care and emergency medicine research and practice in one comprehensive reference book. The chapters are written by well recognized experts in these fields. The book is addressed to everyone involved in internal medicine, anesthesia, surgery, pediatrics, intensive care and emergency medicine.

NeoFax serves as a standard drug dosage reference for all who work in neonatal units because it includes dosage information very specific to neonate care. The unique author team of a doctor and pharmacist make this useful to doctors, nurses and pharmacists for prescribing, administering and preparing medicine for neonates. -- Includes dosages for many drugs that are commonly used off-label. -- Numerous drugs have been added to this edition (amphotericin B lipid complex, cefoxitin, fosphenytoin, lamivudine, nevirapine, Vitamin A, Curosurf, Infracurf, and Similac Human Milk Fortifier) and thirty-six references have been updated in 2000. -- Dose and administration, uses, monitoring, pharmacology, adverse effects/precautions, special considerations/preparations, selected references, and date of last update are included for each entry. -- Antibiotic dosing charts are designed to reflect renal and drug elimination are correlated with Postmenstrual Age (consistent with American Academy of Pediatrics).

This text offers state of the art contributions written by world renown experts which provide an extensive background on specific classes of antibiotics and summarize our understanding as to how these antibiotics might be optimally used in a clinical situation. The book explores pharmacodynamics methods for anti-infective agents, pharmacodynamics of antibacterial agents and non-antibacterial agents, as well as pharmacodynamic considerations and special populations. As part of the Methods in Pharmacology and Toxicology series, chapters include detailed insight and practical information for the lab. Comprehensive and cutting-edge, Antibiotic Pharmacodynamics serves as an ideal reference for scientists investigating advances in antibiotic pharmacodynamics now finding their way into the antibiotic development process used for licensing new antibiotics.

The Third Edition of Applied Pharmacokinetics remains the gold standard by which all other clinical pharmacokinetics texts are measured. Written by leading pharmacokinetics researchers and practitioners, this book is the most advanced kinetics reference available. All chapters have been extensively updated or completely rewritten for this edition, and six new chapters have been added on pharmacodynamics, pharmacogenetics, pharmacokinetic considerations in the obese, dietary influences on drug disposition, zidovudine, and corticosteroids. Each chapter is tightly focused on the most important concepts and issues. Chapters on specific drugs are organized in a consistent format for quick, easy information retrieval. Major subheadings include Clinical Pharmacokinetics, Pharmacodynamics, Clinical Application of

Pharmacokinetic Data, Analytical Methods, and Prospectus.

Kucers' *The Use of Antibiotics* is the definitive, internationally-authored reference, providing everything that the infectious diseases specialist and prescriber needs to know about antimicrobials in this vast and rapidly developing field. The much-expanded Seventh Edition comprises 4800 pages in 3 volumes in order to cover all new and existing therapies, and emerging drugs not yet fully licensed. Concentrating on the treatment of infectious diseases, the content is divided into four sections - antibiotics, anti-fungal drugs, anti-parasitic drugs, and anti-viral drugs - and is highly structured for ease of reference. Each chapter is organized in a consistent format, covering susceptibility, formulations and dosing (adult and pediatric), pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics, toxicity, and drug distribution, with detailed discussion regarding clinical uses - a feature unique to this title. Compiled by an expanded team of internationally renowned and respected editors, with expert contributors representing Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia, South America, the US, and Canada, the Seventh Edition adopts a truly global approach. It remains invaluable for anyone using antimicrobial agents in their clinical practice and provides, in a systematic and concise manner, all the information required when prescribing an antimicrobial to treat infection.

Ideal for both practitioners and students, this comprehensive resource covers the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of infectious disease in horses. Organized by infectious agent — virus, bacterial and rickettsial, protozoal, and fungal — it includes complete coverage of the individual diseases caused by each type of agent. A section on clinical problems examines conditions such as ocular infections, CNS infections, and skin infections. It also addresses the importance of preventing and controlling infectious disease outbreaks with coverage of epidemiology, biosecurity, antimicrobial therapy, and recognizing foreign equine diseases. Full-color photos and illustrations provide clear, accurate representations of the clinical appearance of infectious diseases. Features the most recent information on the global threat of newly emergent diseases such as African Horse Sickness. Includes a comprehensive section on the prevention and control of infectious diseases. More than 60 expert contributors share their knowledge and expertise in equine infectious disease. A companion CD-ROM, packaged with the book, includes complete references linked to PubMed.

After thirty years, *PPID* is still the reference of choice for comprehensive, global guidance on diagnosing and treating the most challenging infectious diseases. Drs. Mandell, Bennett, and Dolin have substantially revised and meticulously updated, this new edition to save you time and to ensure you have the latest clinical and scientific knowledge at your fingertips. With new chapters, expanded and updated coverage, increased worldwide perspectives, and many new contributors, Mandell, Douglas, and Bennett's *Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases, 7th Edition* helps you identify and treat whatever infectious disease you see. Consult this title on your favorite e-reader, conduct rapid



searches, and adjust font sizes for optimal readability. Compatible with Kindle®, nook®, and other popular devices. Get the answers to questions you have with more in-depth coverage of epidemiology, etiology, pathology, microbiology, immunology, and treatment of infectious agents than you'll find in any other infectious disease resource. Find the latest diagnoses and treatments for currently recognized and newly emerging infectious diseases, such as those caused by avian and swine influenza viruses. Put the latest knowledge to work in your practice with new or completely revised chapters on influenza (new pandemic strains); new Middle East respiratory syndrome (MERS) virus; probiotics; antibiotics for resistant bacteria; antifungal drugs; new antivirals for hepatitis B and C; Clostridium difficile treatment; sepsis; advances in HIV prevention and treatment; viral gastroenteritis; Lyme disease; Helicobacter pylori; malaria; infections in immunocompromised hosts; immunization (new vaccines and new recommendations); and microbiome. Benefit from fresh perspectives and global insights from an expanded team of international contributors. Find and grasp the information you need easily and rapidly with newly added chapter summaries. These bulleted templates include diagnosis, therapy, and prevention and are designed as a quick summary of the chapter and to enhance relevancy in search and retrieval on Expert Consult. Stay current on Expert Consult with a thorough and regularly scheduled update program that ensures access to new developments in the field, advances in therapy, and timely information. Access the information you need easily and rapidly with new succinct chapter summaries that include diagnosis, therapy, and prevention. Experience clinical scenarios with vivid clarity through a richly illustrated, full-color format that includes 1500 photographs for enhanced visual guidance.

Your days spent fruitlessly scouring textbooks and websites for credible vet information are over! Now you can get the whole story — the accurate story — all in one place. Introducing The Textbook of Veterinary Internal Medicine, Expert Consult, 8th Edition. Still the only comprehensive resource for veterinary internal medical problems, this faculty-and-student-favorite offers unparalleled coverage of pathophysiology, diagnosis, and disease treatments for dogs and cats. In addition to new chapters and discussions on the industry's most topical issues, this "gold standard in vet medicine" comes with hundreds of original videos, algorithms, and learning tools to really bring all the information to life. There's no better source to help you unlock the secrets of veterinary medicine than Ettinger's! Fully searchable online text offers quick access to the most trusted information in the field. Complete library of over 500 original clinical videos you can believe in. Instead of fruitless YouTube searches, each video expertly breaks down veterinary procedures and important signs of diseases and disorders that are difficult or impossible to understand from written descriptions alone. In-depth coverage of timely issues includes expert explanations on topics such as the genome, clinical genomics, euthanasia, innocent heart murmurs, hyperbaric medicine, home prepared and raw diets, obesity, botulism, artificial pacing of the

heart, and cancer vaccines. Thousands of references accessible from the printed book with the click of a QR code. 256 all-new client information sheets can be downloaded, customized, and printed as client handouts. 214 new and updated clinical algorithms aid in disease identification and decision-making. Exclusive access to Expert Consult Online website offers the complete library of original video clips, heart sounds, the full collection of client information sheets, and hyperlinking of references to their source abstracts in PubMed. NEW! In-depth coverage of the latest information and trends in small animal internal medicine. Completely new section on minimally-invasive interventional procedures includes techniques for treating respiratory, cardiovascular, gastrointestinal, urologic/nephrologic, and neoplastic disorders. 17 new chapters address the major clinicopathologic abnormalities that occur in canine and feline laboratory testing. Completely new section on management of mutually-antagonistic comorbidities spotlights concurrent cardiac and renal disease, concurrent infection in patients requiring immunosuppression, and concurrent diabetes mellitus and corticosteroid-dependent disease. Expert explanations on topics such as evidence-based medicine, distinguishing behavioral disorders from medical neurologic disorders, blood transfusion techniques, hyperadrenocorticism (Cushing's disease), chronic kidney disease, respiratory and inhalant therapy, and many more.

**Therapeutic Drug Monitoring: Newer Drugs and Biomarkers** features timely topics such as the monitoring of classical and newer drugs, pharmacogenomics and the application of biomarkers in therapeutic drug monitoring. This reference also discusses the limitations of current commercially available immunoassays for therapeutic monitoring. It presents new and sophisticated techniques used for proper determination of blood levels and the clinical utility of therapeutic drug monitoring of contemporary drugs. Written by leading international experts and geared toward clinical pathologists, toxicologists, clinical chemists, laboratory professionals and physicians, this book is an essential resource on the current practice of therapeutic drug monitoring in improving patient safety. Includes both the technical and clinical issues associated with therapeutic drug monitoring. Discusses the utility of therapeutic drug monitoring of newer drugs such as antiretroviral agents, anticonvulsants, antidepressants etc. Provides up-to-date information on issues in pharmacogenomics and personalized medicine with emphasis on therapy with warfarin, certain anticancer drugs and antidepressants. Covers important content on the limitations of commercially available immunoassays (chemical tests) for therapeutic drug monitoring and additional analytical techniques.

This book focuses on topics ranging from the economics of drug-resistant infections and the management of antimicrobial use to new information on methods to optimize the selection, route of administration, dosing, and duration of antimicrobial therapies for common infections. In addition to offering ideas on studied programmatic approaches for judi Taking readers from the research laboratory to the bedside, this Second Edition compiles essential information on the pharmacodynamics of

all major classes of the antimicrobial armamentarium including penicillins, cephalosporins, cephamycins, carbapenems, monobactams, aminoglycosides, quinolones, macrolides, antifungals, antivirals, and emerging

The treatment of children with medicinal products is an important scientific area. It is recognized that many medicines that are used extensively in pediatric patients are either unlicensed or off-label. This textbook will help pediatric health professionals effectively treat children with the most appropriate medicine with minimal side effects.

We determined the pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic (PK-PD) measure most predictive of gatifloxacin efficacy and the magnitude of this measure necessary for survival in a murine *Bacillus anthracis* inhalation infection model. We then used population pharmacokinetic models for gatifloxacin and simulation to identify dosing regimens with high probabilities of attaining exposures likely to be efficacious in adults and children. In this work, 6- to 8-week-old nonneutropenic female BALB/c mice received aerosol challenges of 50 to 75 50% lethal doses of *B. anthracis* (Ames strain, for which the gatifloxacin MIC is 0.125 mg/liter). Gatifloxacin was administered at 6- or 8-h intervals beginning 24 h postchallenge for 21 days, and dosing was designed to produce profiles mimicking fractionated concentration-time profiles for humans. Mice were evaluated daily for survival. Hill-type models were fitted to survival data. To identify potentially effective dosing regimens, adult and pediatric population pharmacokinetic models for gatifloxacin and Monte Carlo simulation were used to generate 5,000 individual patient exposure estimates. The ratio of the area under the concentration-time curve from 0 to 24 h (AUC(0-24)) to the MIC of the drug for the organism (AUC(0-24)/MIC ratio) was the PK-PD measure most predictive of survival ( $R^2 = 0.96$ ). The 50% effective dose (ED(50)) and the ED(90) and ED(99) corresponded to AUC(0-24)/MIC ratios of 11.5, 15.8, and 30, respectively, where the maximum effect was 97% survival. Simulation results indicate that a daily gatifloxacin dose of 400 mg for adults and 10 mg/kg of body weight for children gives a 100% probability of attaining the PK-PD target (ED(99)). Sensitivity analyses suggest that the probability of PK-PD target attainment in adults and children is not affected by increases in MICs for strains of *B. anthracis* to levels as high as.

The Fifth Edition of *Antimicrobial Therapy in Veterinary Medicine*, the most comprehensive reference available on veterinary antimicrobial drug use, has been thoroughly revised and updated to reflect the rapid advancements in the field of antimicrobial therapy. Encompassing all aspects of antimicrobial drug use in animals, the book provides detailed coverage of virtually all types of antimicrobials relevant to animal health. Now with a new chapter on antimicrobial therapy in zoo animals, *Antimicrobial Therapy in Veterinary Medicine* offers a wealth of invaluable information for appropriately prescribing antimicrobial therapies and shaping public policy. Divided into four sections covering general principles of antimicrobial therapy, classes of antimicrobial agents, special considerations, and antimicrobial drug use in multiple animal species, the text is enhanced by tables, diagrams, and photos. *Antimicrobial Therapy in Veterinary Medicine* is an essential resource for anyone concerned with the appropriate use of antimicrobial drugs, including veterinary practitioners, students, public health veterinarians, and industry and research scientists.

In *The Systemic Practice of Misinterpretation of Scientific Data*, the author unfolds the ways in which researchers misinterpret their data to promote a hypothesis with the aim of attracting the attention of the scientific community. By providing examples, the author explains how flawed research findings enter and remain in scientific literature for a long time. This book gives insights not only to researchers in the sciences, but also to journal reviewers and to various governmental and private agencies that work to promote science. The message of the book is positive and clear: it is possible to identify the flaws in scientific research by scrutinizing the subject matter thoroughly, thus saving researchers around the globe time and money. It is generally believed that the scientific community is relatively free of corruption and that it

adopts good scientific practices. However, flawed research findings may occur not only from human error, but also from the intentional attempts of some researchers to promote their preconceived hypotheses. The author warns that unless certain practices in research are checked, a point will soon be reached when scientific research will not be worth the money invested in it. The book starts with some of the fundamental concepts in pharmacokinetics and the pharmacodynamics of antibiotics. Then, four related but independent topics are discussed: persisters, small colony variants, viable but non-culturable bacteria, and senescent bacteria. Each topic is divided into two sections: the first is a review of the literature; the second questions the validity of the current hypotheses and findings. In the subsequent chapters, a simpler hypothesis is offered after integration of the four topics. Finally, the impact of creating illusions in research is discussed. This book provides unique insights into the issues that drive modified dosing regimens for antibiotics in the critically ill. Leading international authors provide their commentary alongside a summary of existing evidence on how to effectively dose antibiotics. Severe infection frequently necessitates admission to the intensive care unit (ICU). Equally, nosocomial sepsis often complicates the clinical course in ICU. Early, appropriate application of antibiotic therapy remains a cornerstone of effective management. However, this is challenging in the critical care environment, given the significant changes in patient physiology and organ function frequently encountered. Being cognisant of these factors, prescribers need to consider modified dosing regimens, not only to ensure adequate drug exposure, and therefore the greatest chance of clinical cure, but also to avoid encouraging drug resistance.

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