BOOK REVIEW

RESPIRATORY INSUFFICIENCY AND ITS CLINICAL MANAGEMENT (DIE ATEMINSUFFIZIENZ UND IHRE KLINISCHE BEHANDLUNG). Report from the Third International Symposium for Anaesthesia in Heidelberg, May 5 and 6, 1967. Edited by O. H. Just and H. Stoeckel. Stuttgart: Georg Thieme Verlag. 1967. Pp. 239.

This volume contains the report of a symposium on respiratory insufficiency and its treatment, held in Heidelberg in May 1967. Following a well-written introductory paper on the pathophysiology of respiratory insufficiency, the presented papers are divided into three parts: (1) general measures of treatment for respiratory insufficiency, (2) indications for respirator care, and (3) the practical conduct of respirator care. At the end of each part there is a discussion by the participants on the topic.

The book represents a good review of the state of management of respiratory failure and respirator care in Europe at the time of the symposium and provides interesting reading to those engaged in the care of patients with respiratory insufficiency. It is well edited and illustrated. Printing and binding are of high quality. As a publication in German, it is inaccessible to those without a working knowledge of that language.

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