

With the exception of a short section for yellow fever virus and another for tick-borne encephalitis virus, the large group of arboviruses are excluded, perhaps because they are not primarily human viruses. Rabies viruses are included. At the beginning of each section, there is a brief but very informative introduction describing characteristics of the viruses in the group being considered.

It is likely that a second edition of this dictionary will be required soon and, as the authors say in the introduction, this will be an opportunity to correct any omissions or errors.

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The Thalassaemia Syndromes (2nd edn.). By D. J. WEATHERALL and J. B. CLEGG. Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1972. Pp. 384. Price £7.00.

This book covers the whole field of thalassaemia with chapters on the synthesis, structure and genetic control of haemoglobins, and on the thalassaemias resulting from defective β - or δ -chain synthesis, as well as on clinical aspects of these disorders. A postscript on the molecular basis for thalassaemia includes sections on the possibilities of a breakdown of control of haemoglobin synthesis at the gene level, or breakdown of cytoplasmic control. An experimental approach to the molecular defect in thalassaemia is also discussed. A very full bibliography is included. The book is well produced and the illustrations are of a high standard.

Thalassaemia is usually considered to be in the field of haematology, and one of the authors is a haematologist. This book is a haematological review of much of the latest work on thalassaemia, and as such it will no doubt be of interest to immunologists. It is relatively expensive, however, and will probably be of more practical value to the haematologist and geneticist, than to the immunologist.

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CORRIGENDUM

KATSURA, Y., KAWAGUCHI, S. and MURAMATSU, S. (1972). 'Difference in the target cells for tolerance induction in relation to the dose of tolerogen.' *Immunology*, **23**. 537.

p. 540 Fig. 2: For (a) read (b) and vice versa.

Line 14: 2×10^8 should read 8×10^7 .